



Conceptual Evaluation Strategy

- Semantics of an SQL query defined in terms of the following conceptual evaluation strategy:
 - Compute the cross-product of *relation-list*
 - Discard resulting tuples if they fail *condition*.
 - Delete attributes that are not in *target-list*
 - If DISTINCT is specified, eliminate duplicate rows.
- This strategy is probably the least efficient way to compute a query!
 - An optimizer will find more efficient strategies to compute *the same answers*.

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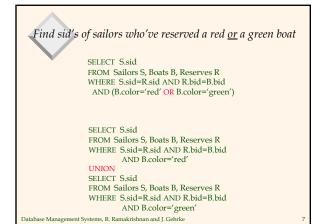
Example of Conceptual Evaluation									
SELECT S.sname FROM Sailors S, Reserves R WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=103									
	(sid)	sname	rating	age	(sid)	bid	day		
	22	dustin	7	45.0	22	101	10/10/96		
	22	dustin	7	45.0	58	103	11/12/96		
	31	lubber	8	55.5	22	101	10/10/96		
	31	lubber	8	55.5	58	103	11/12/96		
	58	rusty	10	35.0	22	101	10/10/96		
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A Slightly Modified Query

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SELECT S.sid FROM Sailors S, Reserves R WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=103

• Would adding DISTINCT to this query make a difference?



SELECT S.sid FROM Sailors S, Boats B1, Reserves R1, Boats B2, Reserves R2 WHERE S.sid=R1.sid AND R1.bid=B1.bid AND S.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid AND B1.color='red' AND B2.color='green'

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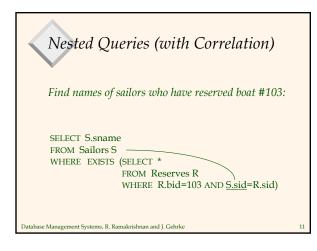
What does this query compute?

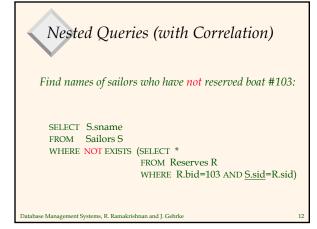
Find sid's of sailors who've reserved a red and a green boat Key field! SELECT S.sid FROM Sailors S, Boats B, Reserves R WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=B.bid AND B.color='red' INTERSECT SELECT S.sid FROM Sailors S, Boats B, Reserves R WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=B.bid AND B.color='green' • What if INTERSECT were replaced by EXCEPT? - EXCEPT is set difference

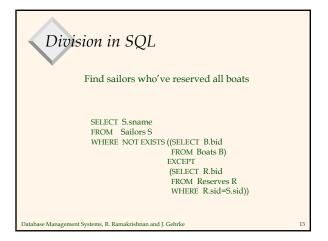
Expressions and Strings

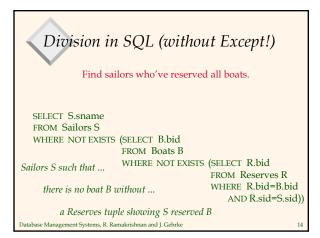
SELECT S.age, S.age-5 AS age2, 2*S.age AS age2 FROM Sailors S WHERE S.sname LIKE 'B_%B'

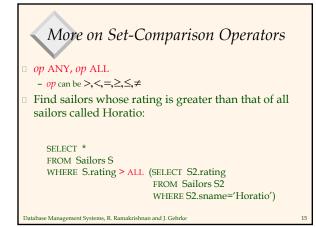
- Find triples (of ages of sailors and two fields defined by expressions) for sailors whose names begin and end with B and contain at least three characters.
- AS is used to name fields in result.
- LIKE is used for string matching
 - `_' stands for any one character
 - `%' stands for 0 or more arbitrary characters.

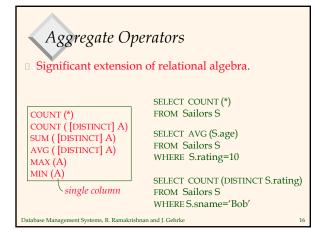




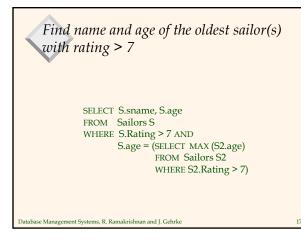


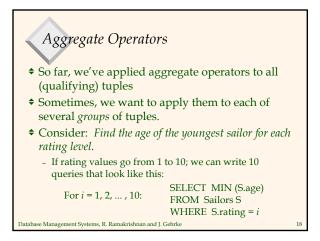


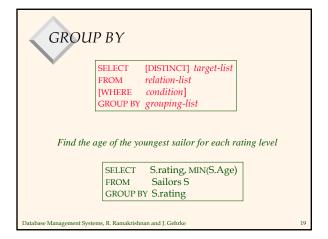


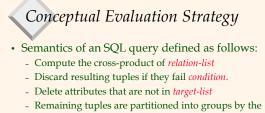








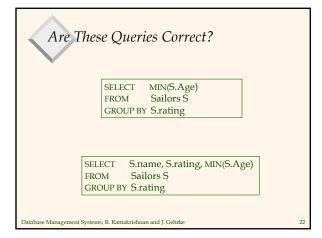




- Remaining tuples are partitioned into groups by the value of the attributes in grouping-list
- One answer tuple is generated per group
- Note: Does not imply query will actually be evaluated this way!

Find the age of the youngest sailor with age ≥ 18 , for each rating with at least one <u>such</u> sailor									
SELECT S.rating, MIN (S.age)				1	sid	sname		rating	age
FROM Sailors S					22	dustin		7	45.0
WHERE S.age >= 18					31	lubber		8	15.5
GROUP BY S.rating					71	zorba		10	16.0
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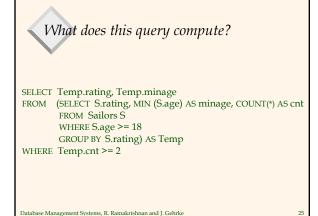
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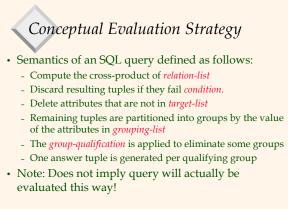
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Find those ratings for which the average age is the minimum over all ratings

SELECT Temp.rating, Temp.avgage FROM (SELECT S.rating, AVG (S.age) AS avgage FROM Sailors S GROUP BY S.rating) AS Temp WHERE Temp.avgage = (SELECT MIN (Temp2.avgage) FROM (SELECT AVG(S.age) as avgage FROM Sailors S GROUP BY S.rating) AS Temp2)







Find the age of the youngest sailor with age \geq 18, for each rating with at least 2 <u>such</u> sailors								
SELECT S.rating, MIN (S.age)	sid	sname	rating	age				
FROM Sailors S	22	dustin	7	45.0				
WHERE S.age >= 18	31	lubber	8	55.5				
GROUP BY S.rating	71	zorba	10	16.0				
HAVING COUNT $(*) > 1$	64	horatio	7	35.0				
HAVING COUNT (1) > 1	29	brutus	1	33.0				
 Only S.rating and S.age are 	58	rusty	10	35.0				
mentioned in the SELECT, GROUP BY or HAVING clauses;	rating 1	g age 33.0						
other attributes ` <i>unnecessary</i> '.	7	45.0	rating					
 2nd column of result is 	7	35.0	7	35.0				
unnamed. (Use AS to name it.)	8	55.5						
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Find the age of the youngest sailor with age >= 18, for each rating with at least 2 sailors (of any age) SELECT Strating, MIN (S.age) FROM Sailors S WHERE S.age >= 18 GROUP BY Strating HAVING 1 < (SELECT COUNT (*) FROM Sailors S2 WHERE Strating=S2.rating)

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Find the average age for each rating, and order results in ascending order on avg. age

SELECT S.rating, AVG (S.age) AS avgage FROM Sailors S GROUP BY S.rating ORDER BY avgage

ORDER BY can only appear in top-most query
Otherwise results are unordered!

Null Values

- Field values in a tuple are sometimes *unknown*e.g., a rating has not been assigned
- Field values are sometimes *inapplicable* - e.g., no spouse's name

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• SQL provides a special value <u>*null*</u> for such situations.

