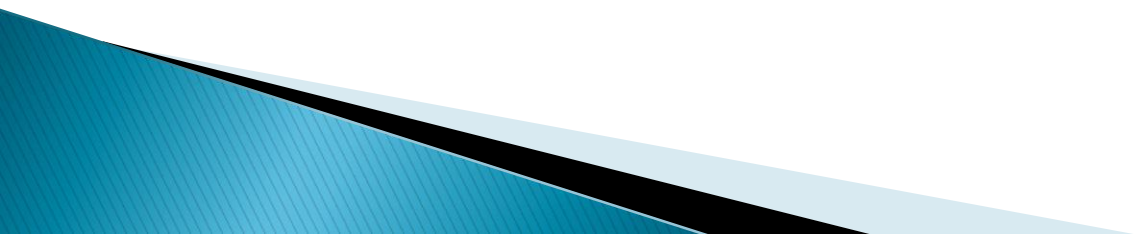
Relational Algebra, Chapter 5



Imperative Versus Declarative

Imperative	Declarative
Describes how to do something	Describes what is wanted, but not how to get it
Examples: Java, C, C#, FORTRAN, PHP, JavaScript, assembly, MATLAB	Prolog, Scheme, dBASE, Query-By-Example (Access)
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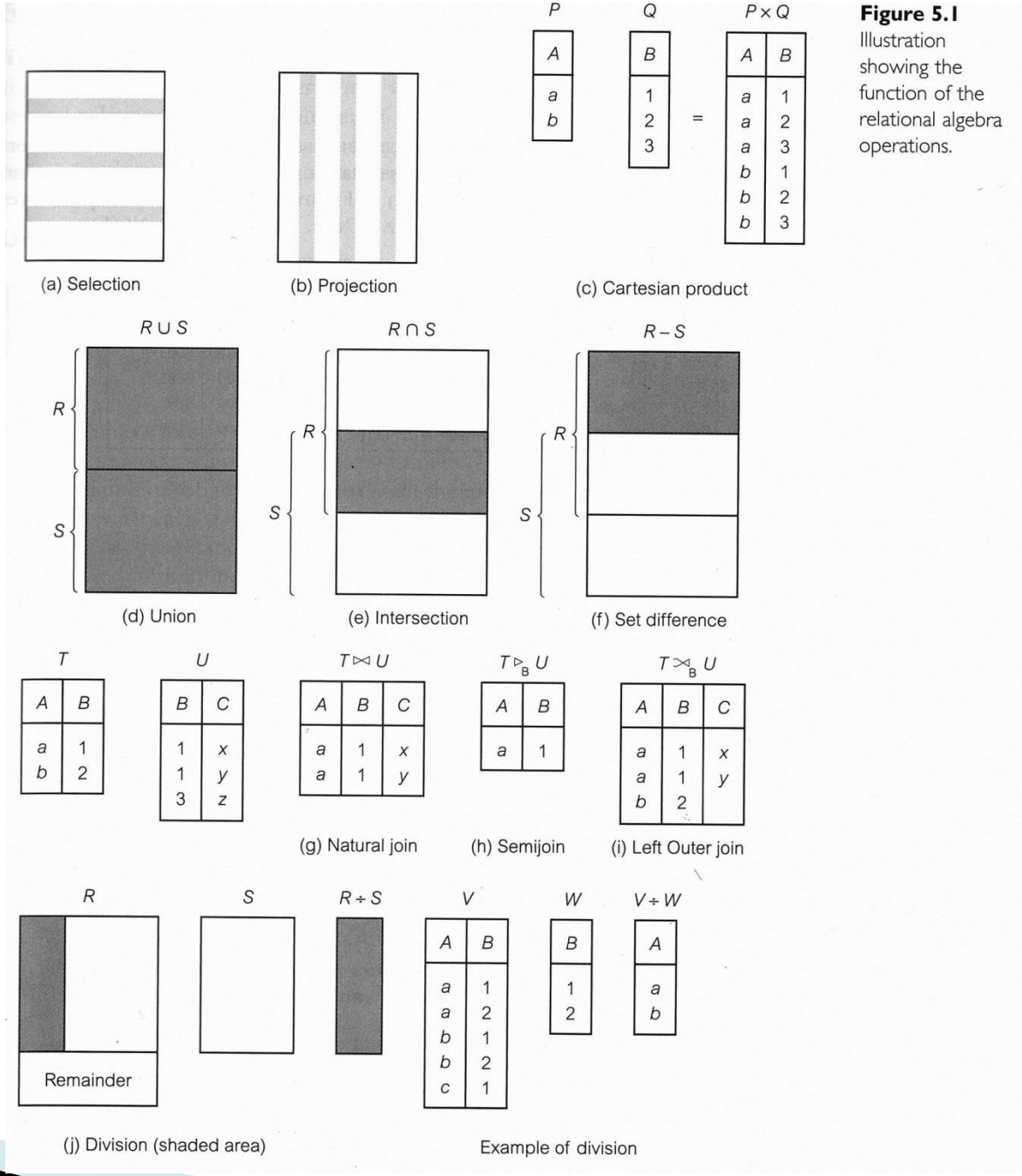


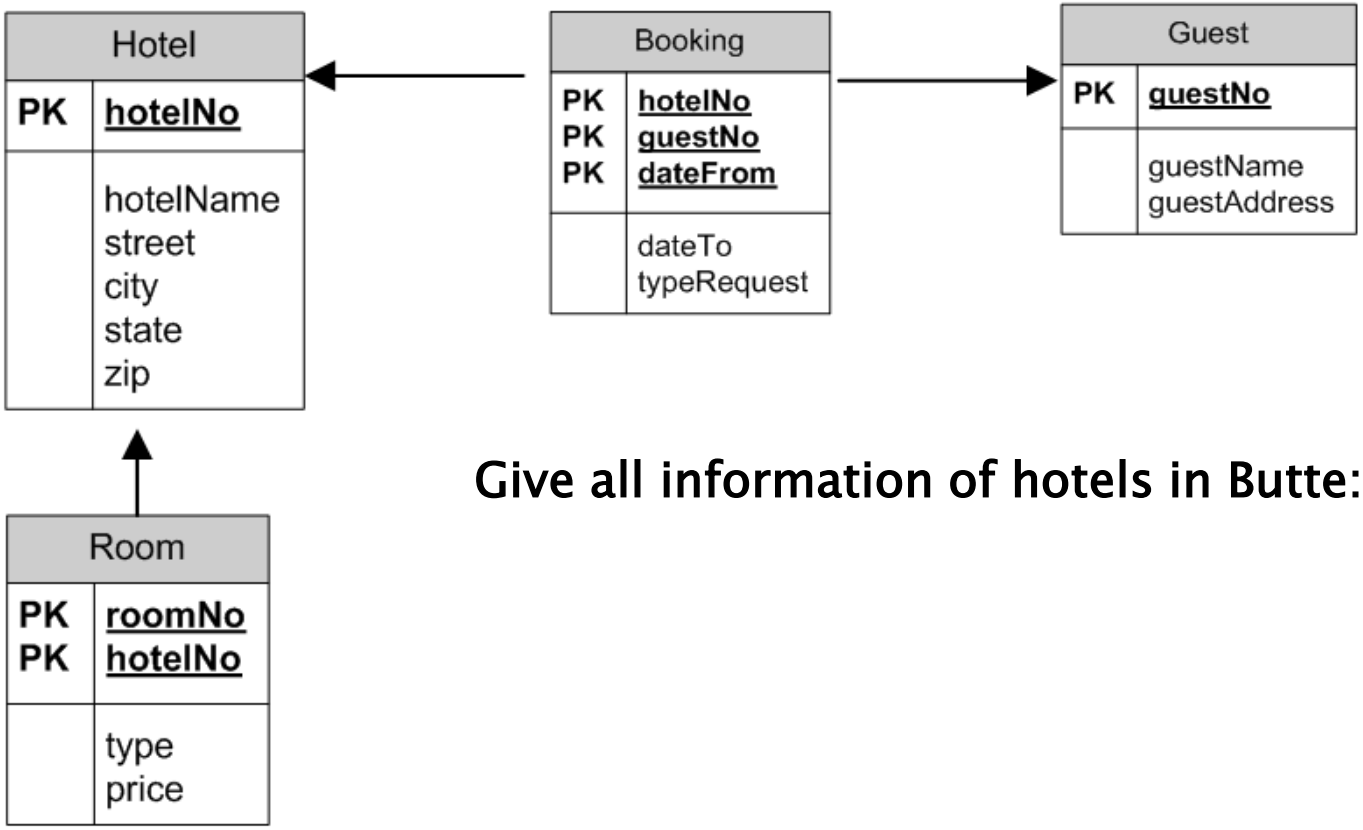
Figure 5.1 Illustration showing the function of the relational algebra operations.

Relational Algebra

TABLE 5.1 Operations in the relational algebra.

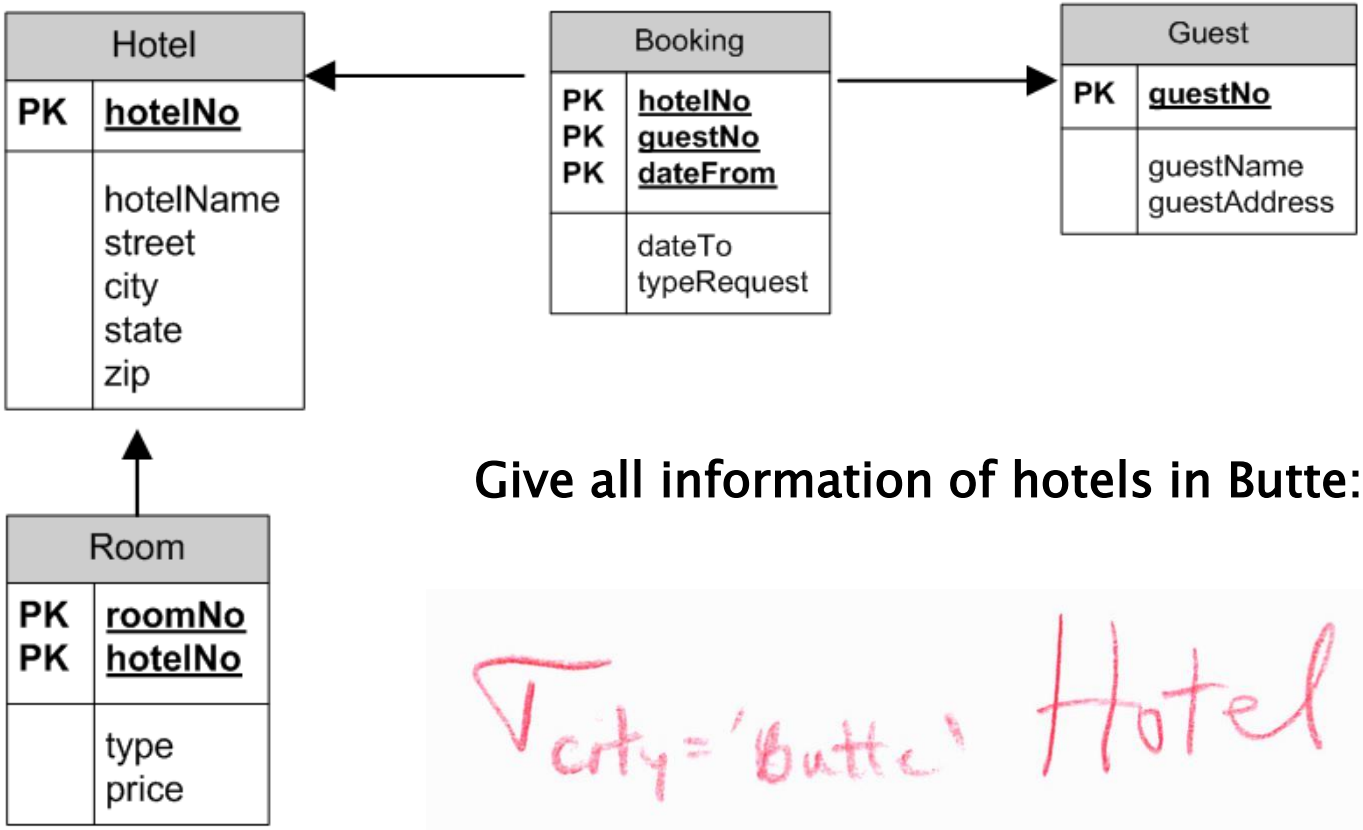
OPERATION	NOTATION	FUNCTION
Selection	$\sigma_{predicate}(R)$	Produces a relation that contains only those tuples of R that satisfy the specified *predicate*.
Projection	$\Pi_{a_1,\ldots,a_n}(R)$	Produces a relation that contains a vertical subset of R, extracting the values of specified attributes and eliminating duplicates.
Union	$R \cup S$	Produces a relation that contains all the tuples of R, or S, or both R and S, duplicate tuples being eliminated. R and S must be union-compatible.
Set difference	$R - S$	Produces a relation that contains all the tuples in R that are not in S. R and S must be union-compatible.
Intersection	$R \cap S$	Produces a relation that contains all the tuples in both R and S. R and S must be union-compatible.
Cartesian product	$R \times S$	Produces a relation that is the concatenation of every tuple of relation R with every tuple of relation S.
Theta join	$R \bowtie_F S$	Produces a relation that contains tuples satisfying the predicate *F* from the Cartesian product of R and S.
Equijoin	$R \bowtie_F S$	Produces a relation that contains tuples satisfying the predicate *F* (which contains only equality comparisons) from the Cartesian product of R and S.
Natural join	$R \bowtie S$	An Equijoin of the two relations R and S over all common attributes *x*. One occurrence of each common attribute is eliminated.
(Left) Outer join	$R \mathbin{⟕} S$	A join in which tuples from R that do not have matching values in the common attributes of S are also included in the result relation.
Semijoin	$R \triangleright_F S$	Produces a relation that contains the tuples of R that participate in the join of R with S satisfying the predicate *F*.
Division	$R \div S$	Produces a relation that consists of the set of tuples from R defined over the attributes C that match the combination of **every** tuple in S, where C is the set of attributes that are in R but not in S.
Aggregate	$\Im_{AL}(R)$	Applies the aggregate function list, AL, to the relation R to define a relation over the aggregate list. AL contains one or more (<aggregate_function>, <attribute>) pairs.
Grouping	${}_{GA}\Im_{AL}(R)$	Groups the tuples of relation R by the grouping attributes, GA, and then applies the aggregate function list AL to define a new relation. AL contains one or more (<aggregate_function>, <attribute>) pairs. The resulting relation contains the grouping attributes, GA, along with the results of each of the aggregate functions.

Query 1



Give all information of hotels in Butte:

Query 1 – answer



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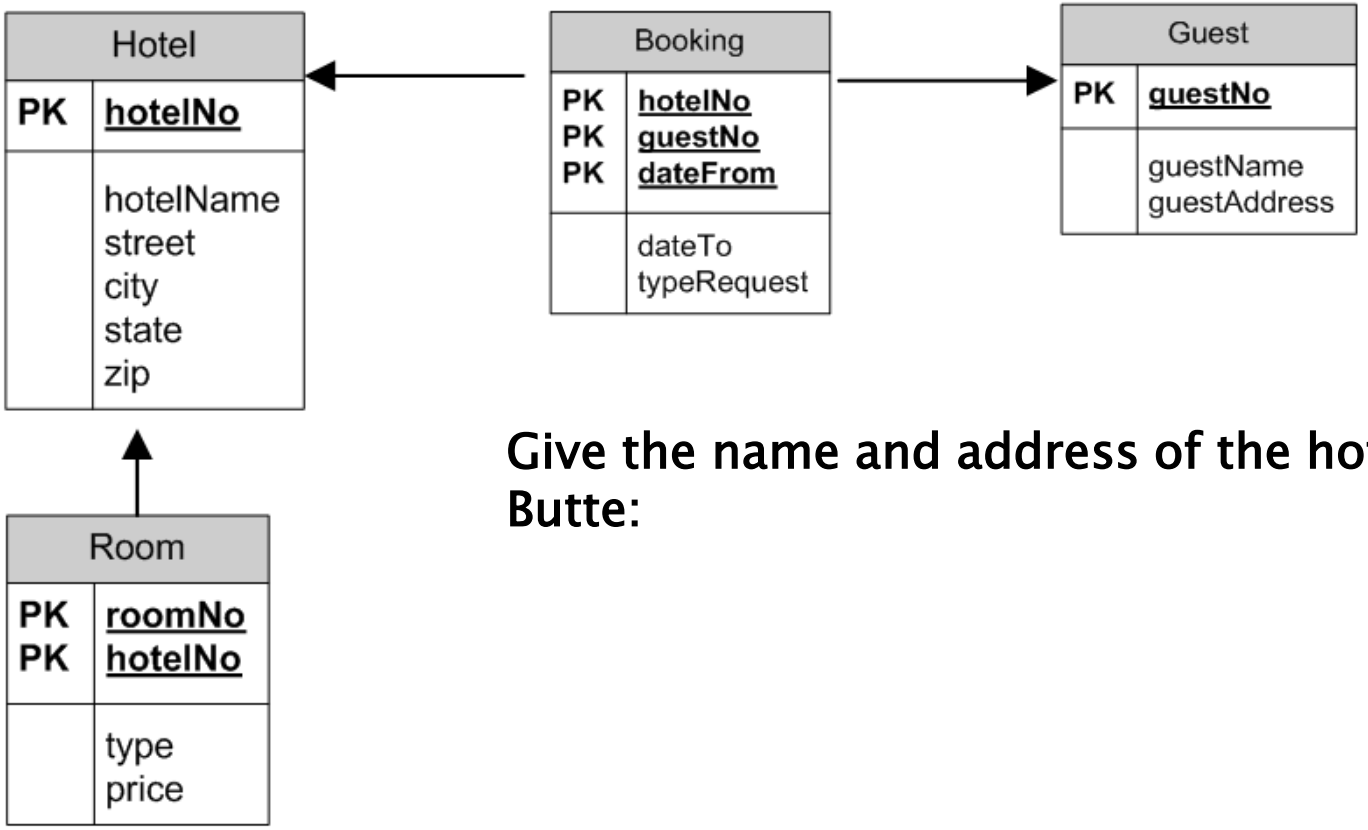

Give the name and address of the hotels in Butte:

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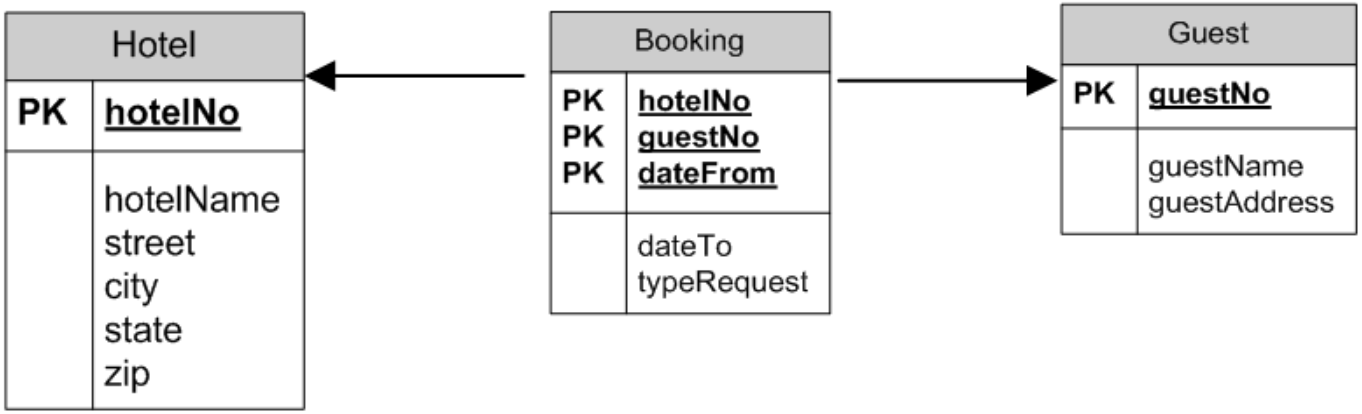
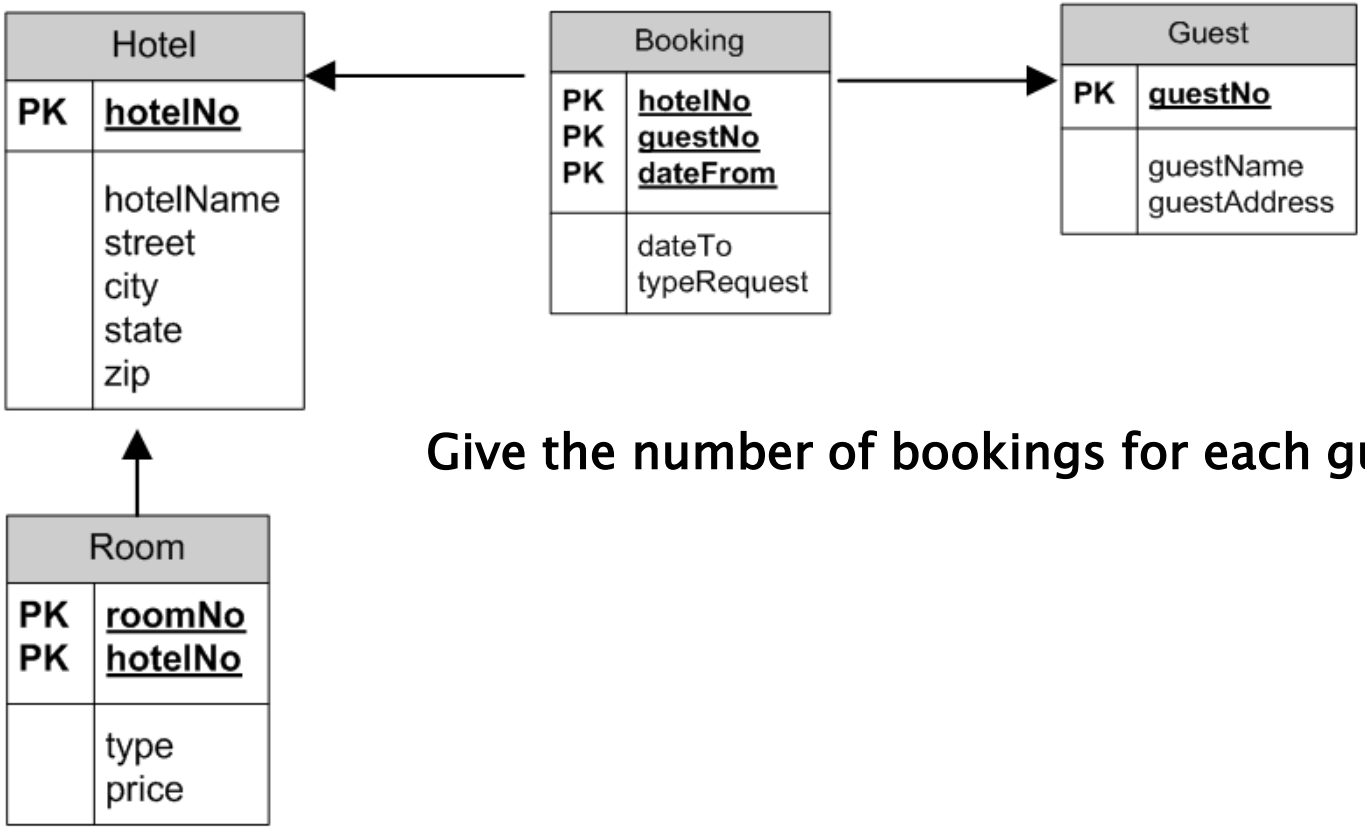


Give the name and address of the hotels in Butte:

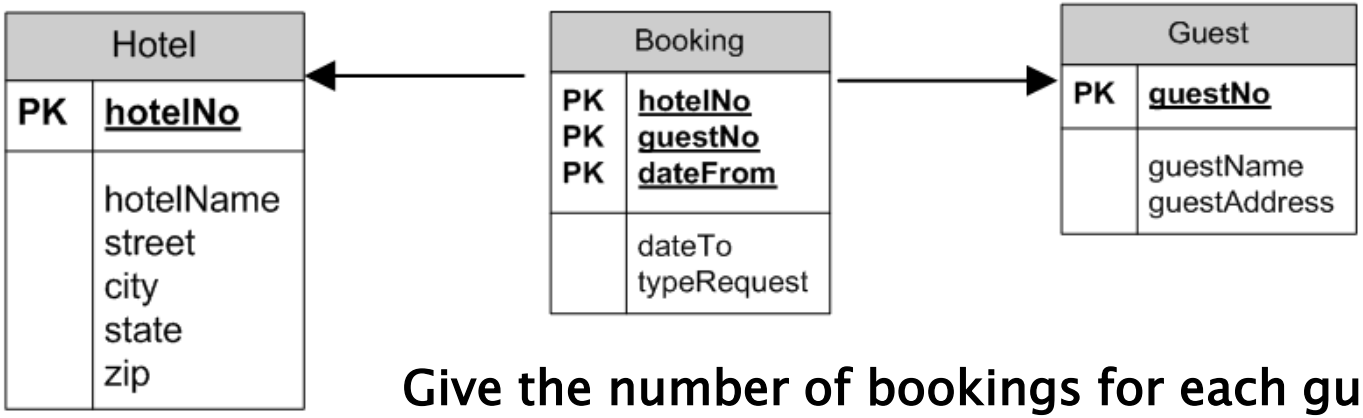
$$\Pi_{hotelName,street}\left(\sigma_{city='Butte'}\,Hotel\right)$$

Aggregate Query



Give the number of bookings for each guest:

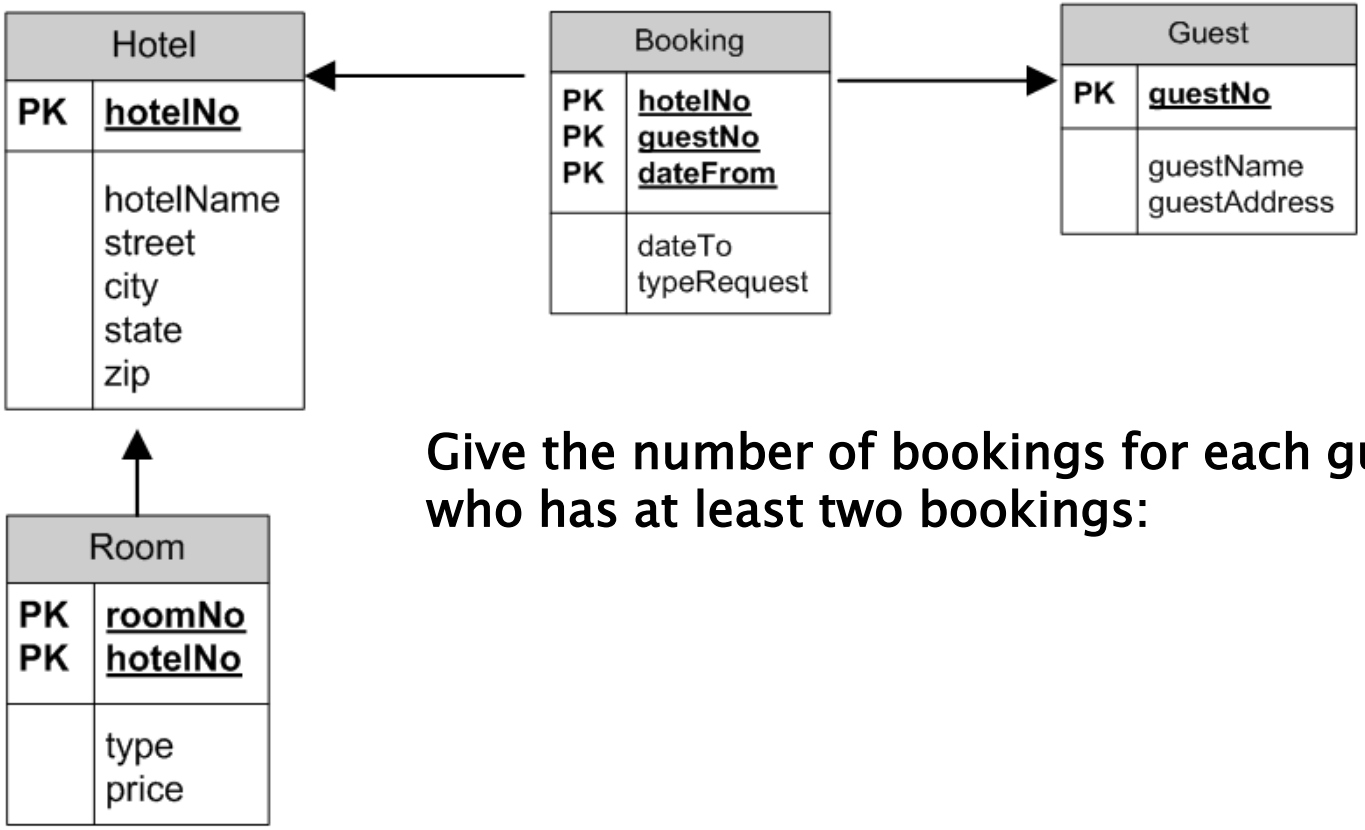
Aggregate Query – GROUP BY and COUNT



Give the number of bookings for each guest:

guestNo $\mathcal{J}$ COUNT(*) Booking

Aggregate Query Filtered



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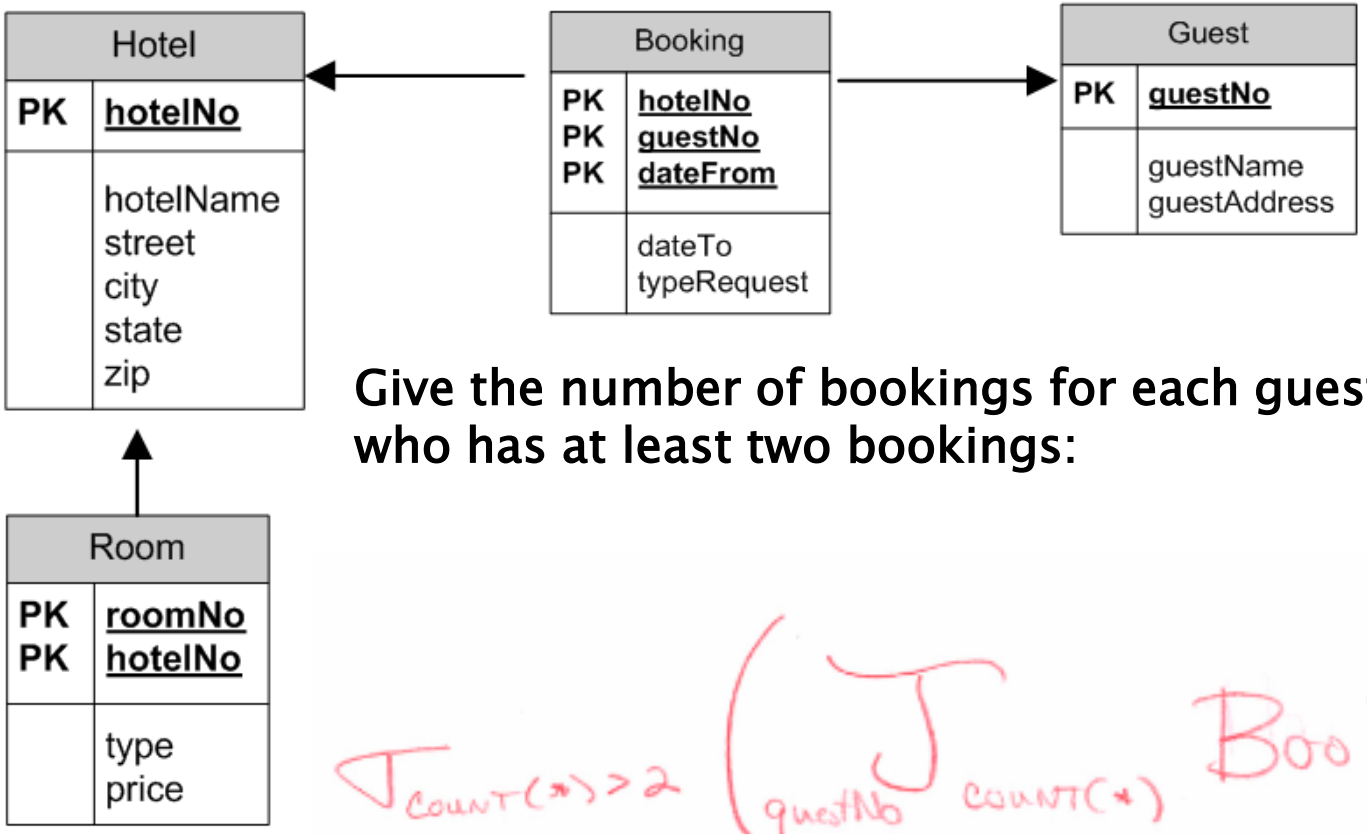
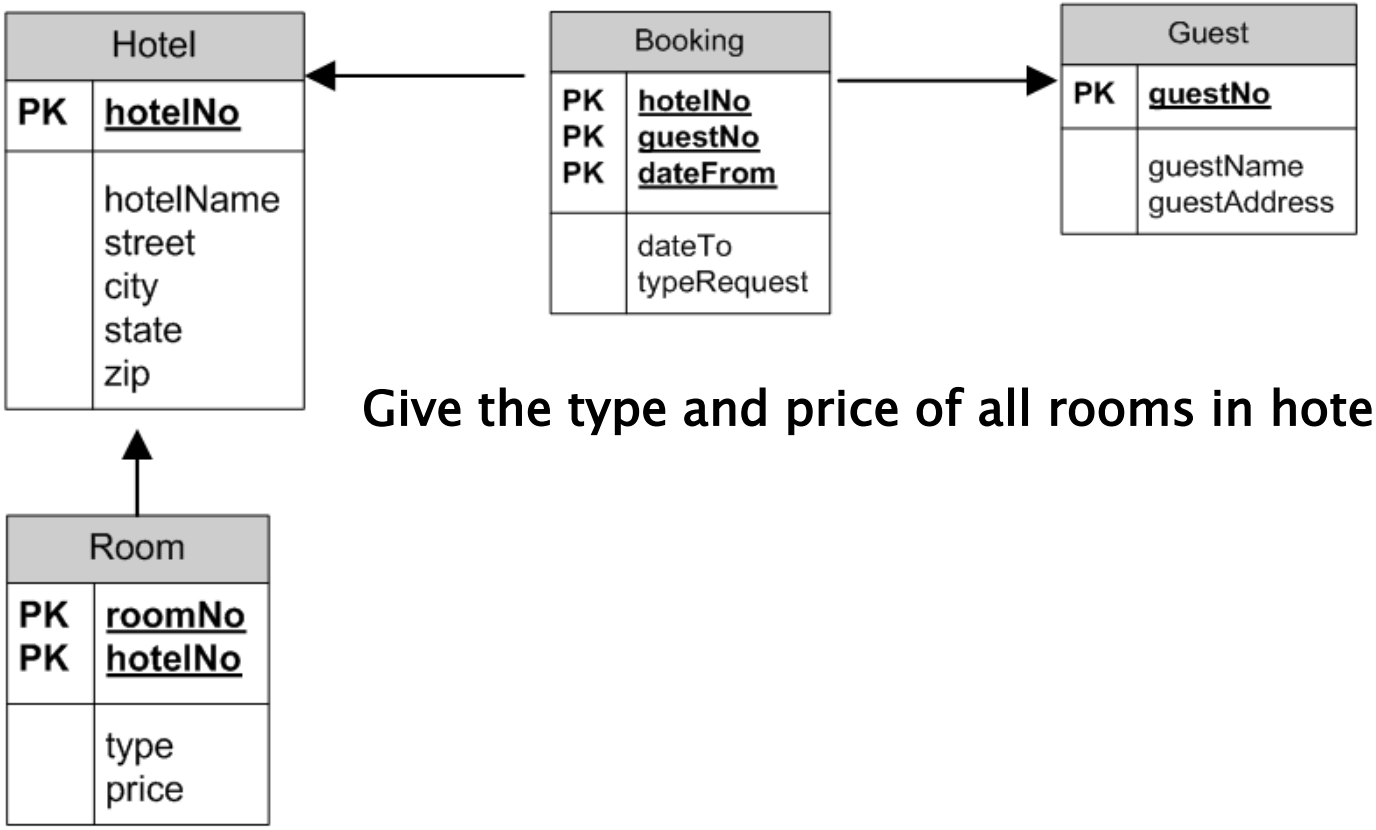


Give the number of bookings for each guest who has at least two bookings:

$\sigma_{COUNT(*)>2}\left(\underset{guestNo}{\gamma}{}_{COUNT(*)}(Booking)\right)$

Query on Multiple Tables



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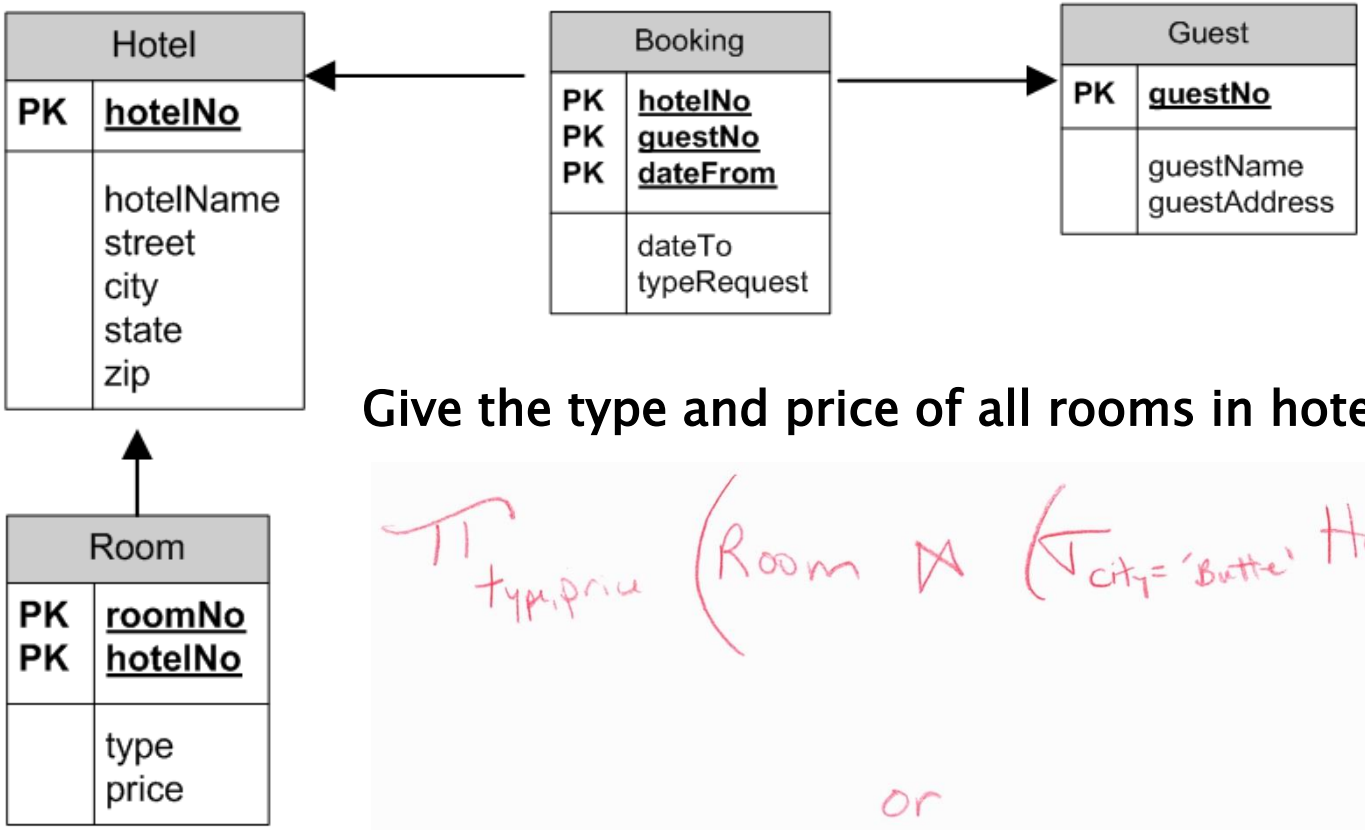

Give the type and price of all rooms in hotels in Butte:

$$\Pi_{type,price}\left(Room \bowtie \left(\sigma_{city='Butte'} Hotel\right)\right)$$

or

$$\Pi_{type,price}\left(\sigma_{city='Butte'}\left(Room \bowtie Hotel\right)\right)$$

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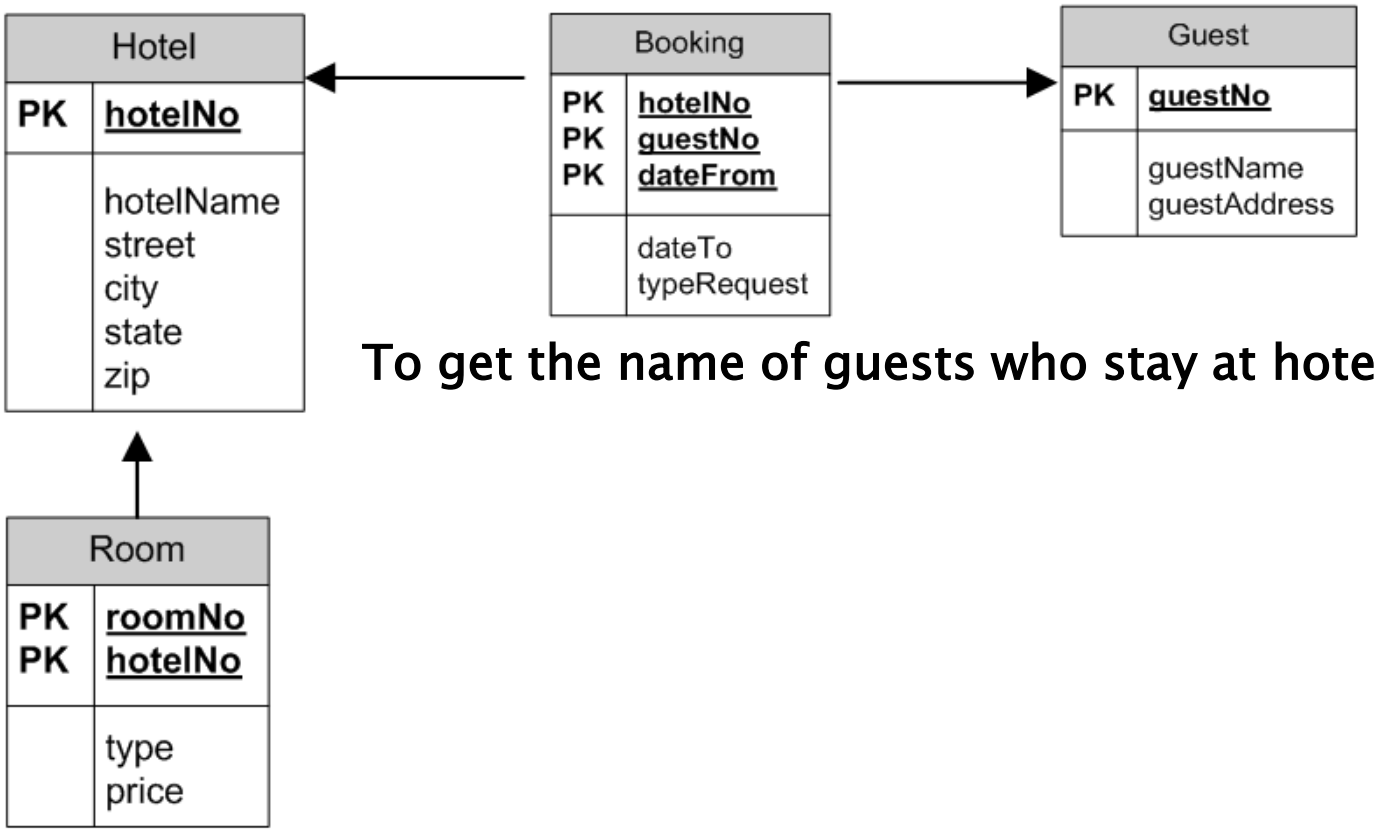

To get the name of guests who stay at hotels in Butte:

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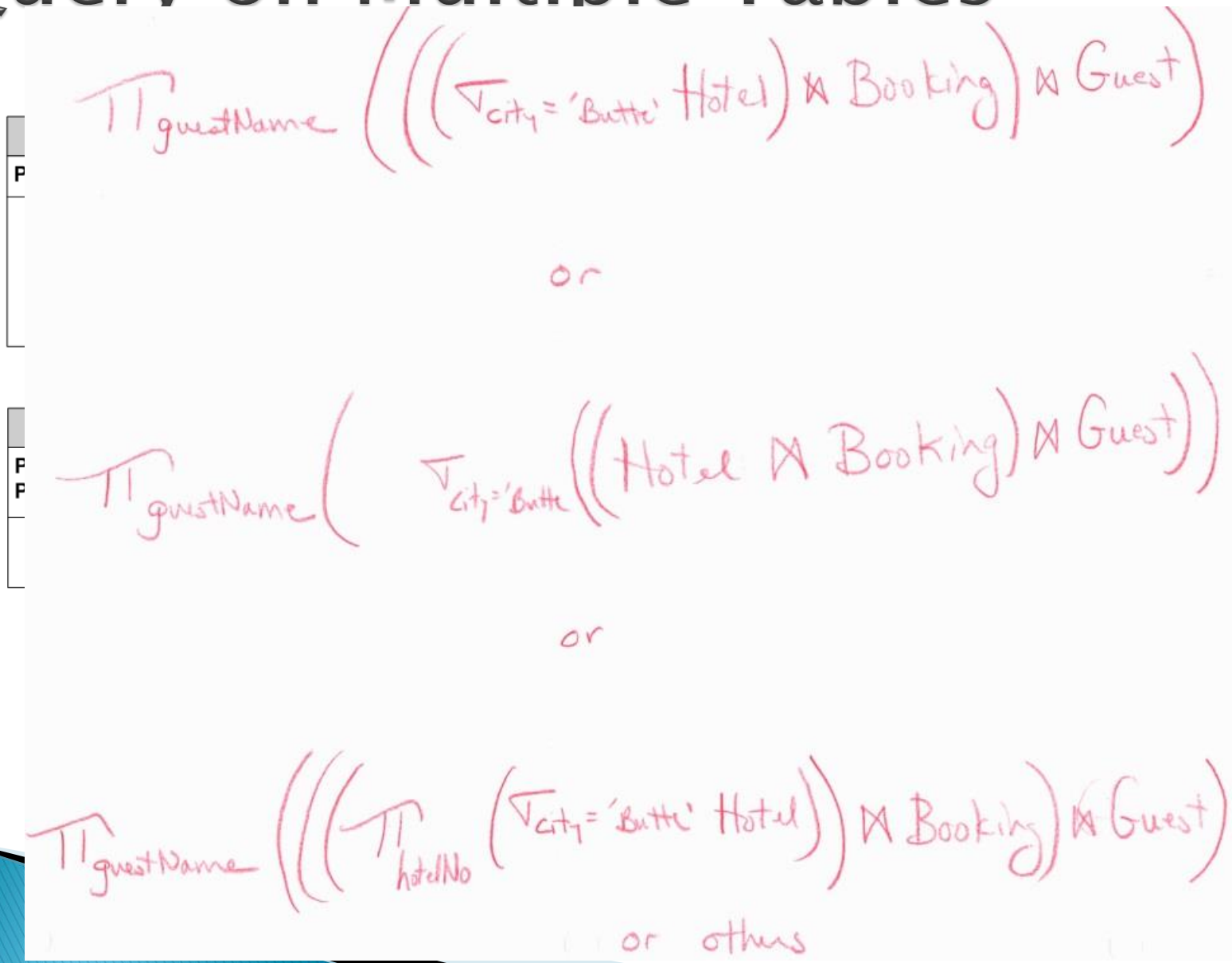

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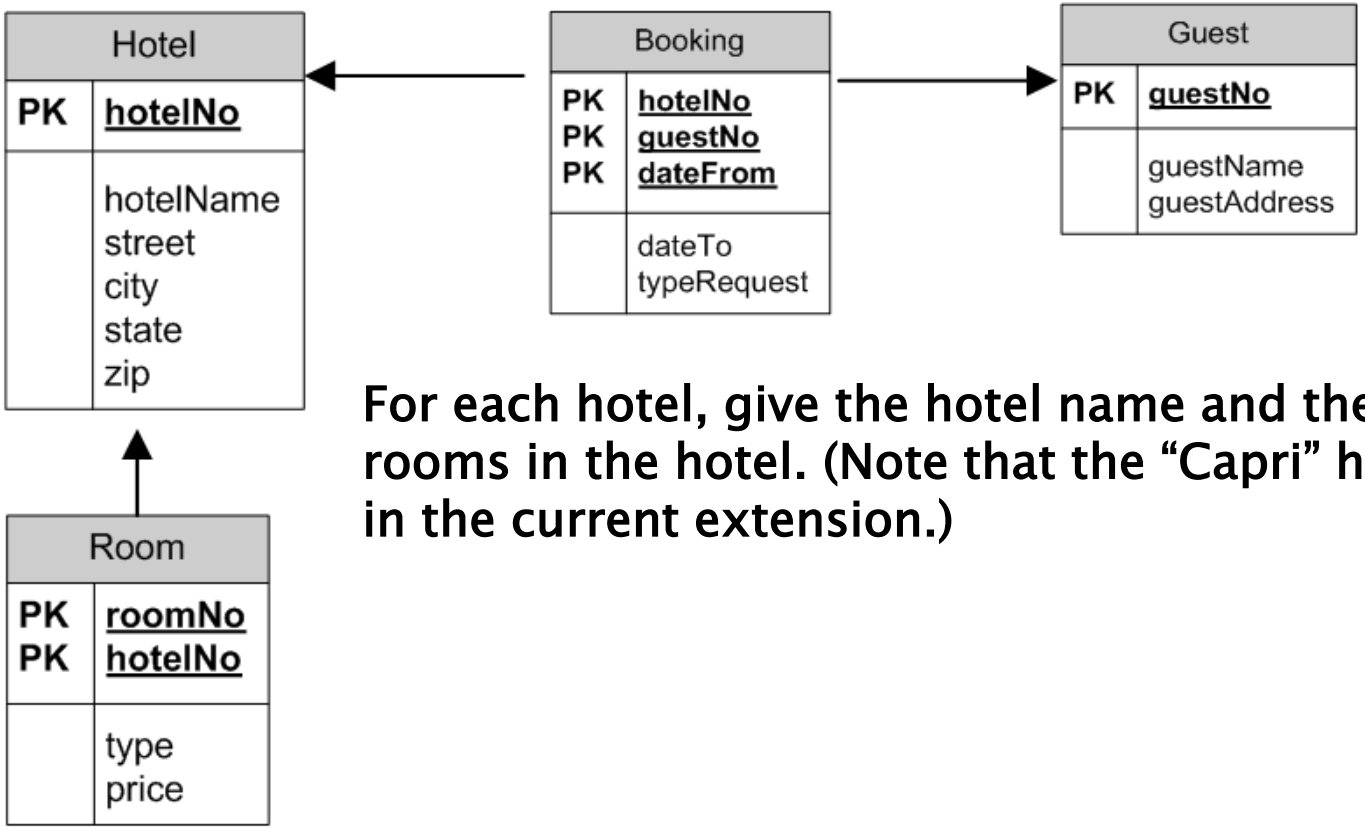

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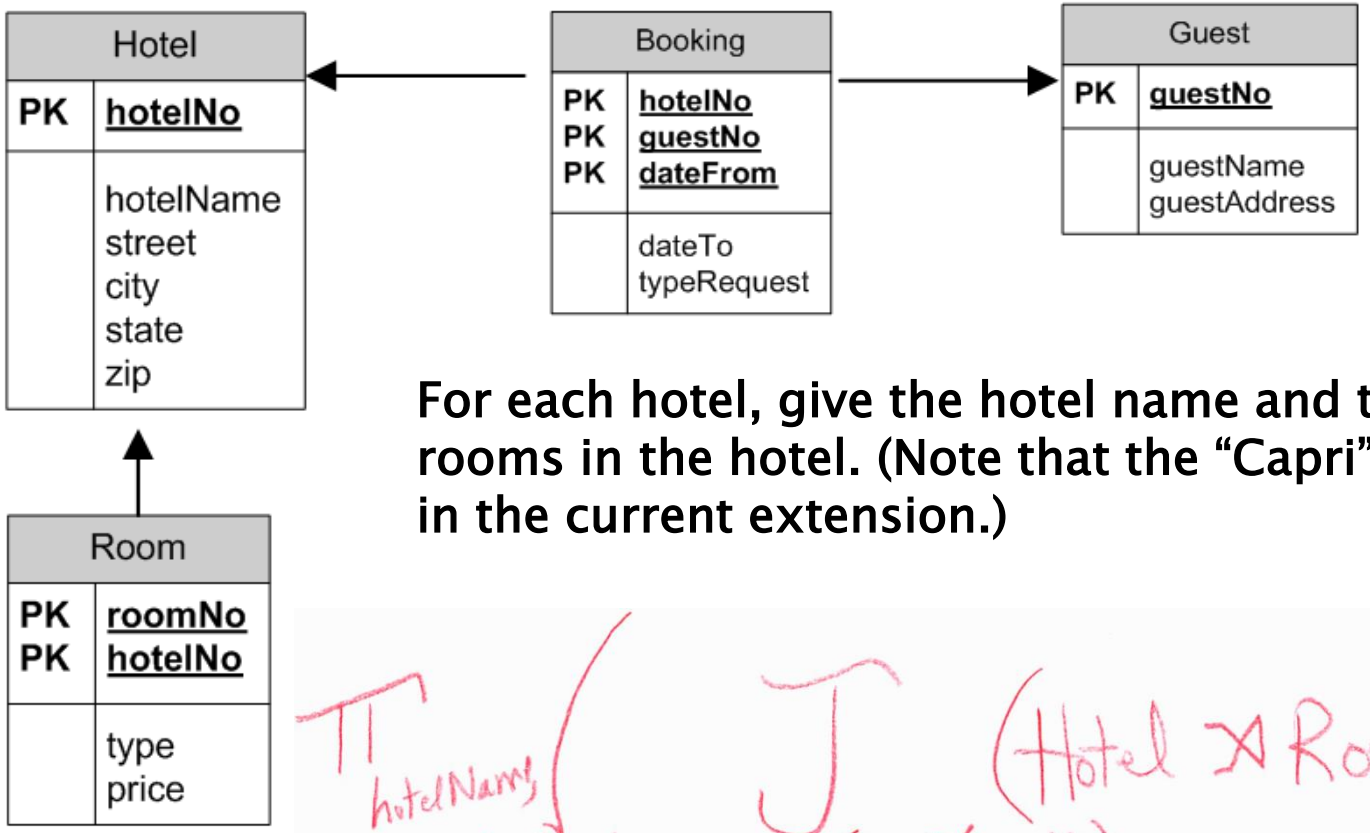
Query Getting All use Outer Join



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$$\Pi_{hotelName,\ COUNT(roomNo)}\left(hotelNo\ \mathcal{J}_{COUNT(roomNo)}\ (Hotel \bowtie Room)\right)$$