



DATABASE SYSTEMS

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SUBQUERIES

Using a Subquery to Solve a Problem

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“Who has a salary greater than Jones’?”

Main Query



“Which employees have a salary greater than Jones’ salary?”

Subquery



“What is Jones’ salary?”



Guidelines for using Subqueries

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- ▣ Enclose subqueries in parentheses.
- ▣ Place subqueries on the right side of the comparison operator.
- ▣ Do not add an ORDER BY clause to a subquery.
- ▣ Use single-row operators with single-row subqueries.
- ▣ Use multiple-row operators with multiple-row subqueries.

Types of Subqueries

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- Non Correlated

- ▣ The inner query is first evaluated and used in evaluating the outer query

- Correlated

- ▣ Outer queries provides values for the inner query evaluation

Non Correlated vs Corelated

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```
Select name
From publishers
Where id in
      (Select id
       From titles
       Where type= 'business')
```

Inner query executes first and return a list that is used in evaluating outer query

```
Select name
From publishers
Where type in
      (Select type
       From titles
       Where titles.pid= publishers.id)
```

inner query executes for every row the outer query returns

Types of subqueries results

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1- Subqueries that operate on single value

- ▣ **operator** (=, <, >, <>)

2- Subqueries that operate on lists but the values must be from a single column of a table.

- ▣ **IN**

- ▣ **ANY**

- ▣ **ALL**

3- Subqueries that use the **EXISTS** operator to test the *existence* of data rows satisfying specified criteria.

1 - Single Row Subqueries operators

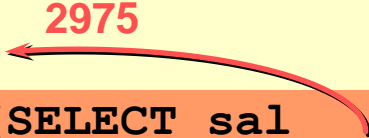
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Operator	Meaning
=	Equal to
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal to
<>	Not equal to

Single Row Subquery

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```
SQL> SELECT  ename
      2  FROM    emp
      3  WHERE   sal > 2975
      4
      5          (SELECT sal
      6              FROM    emp
                  WHERE   empno=7566) ;
```



In the example, the inner query determines the salary of employee 7566. The outer query takes the result of the inner query and uses this result to display all the employees who earn more than this amount.

ENAME

KING

FORD

SCOTT

Display the employees whose job title is the same as that of employee 7369.

```
SQL> SELECT      ename, job
      2  FROM      emp
      3  WHERE      job =
      4              (SELECT  job
      5                      FROM      emp
      6                      WHERE      empno = 7369) ;
```

ENAME	JOB
-----	-----
JAMES	CLERK
SMITH	CLERK
ADAMS	CLERK
MILLER	CLERK

Display employees whose job title is the same as that of employee 7369 and whose salary is greater than that of employee 7876.

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```
SQL> SELECT  ename, job
2  FROM      emp
3  WHERE     job =
4             (SELECT  job
5  FROM      emp
6  WHERE     empno = 7369)
7  AND      sal >
8             (SELECT  sal
9  FROM      emp
10 WHERE     empno = 7876) ;
```

CLERK

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ENAME	JOB
-----	-----
MILLER	CLERK

Using Aggregate Function in Subquery

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Display the employee name, job title, and salary of all employees whose salary is equal to the minimum salary.

```
SQL> SELECT  ename, job, sal
2  FROM      emp
3  WHERE     sal =
4              (SELECT  MIN(sal)
5                  FROM    emp) ;
```



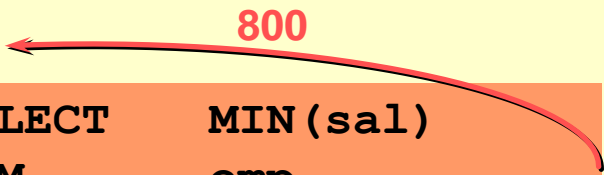
ENAME	JOB	SAL
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SMITH	CLERK	800

Having Clause with Subqueries

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Display all the departments that have a minimum salary greater than that of department 20.

```
SQL> SELECT      deptno, MIN(sal)
  2  FROM          emp
  3  GROUP BY      deptno
  4  HAVING        MIN(sal) >
  5                (SELECT      MIN(sal)
  6                  FROM        emp
  7                  WHERE        deptno = 20) ;
```



A red curved arrow points from the number 800 to the greater-than operator (>) in the HAVING clause, indicating that the minimum salary of department 20 is 800.

What is Wrong?

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```
SQL> SELECT empno, ename
```

```
2 FROM emp
```

```
3 WHERE sal =
```

```
4
```

```
5
```

```
6
```

*Single-row operator with
multiple-row subquery*

```
(SELECT MIN(sal)
```

```
FROM emp
```

```
GROUP BY deptno);
```

```
ERROR:
```

```
ORA-01427: single-row subquery returns more than  
one row
```

```
no rows selected
```

2- Multiple Row Subquery Operators

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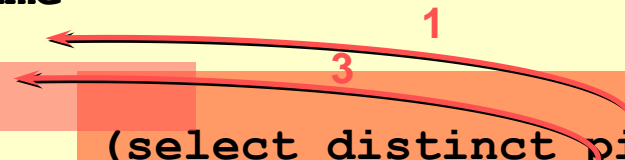
Operator	Meaning
IN	Equal to any member in the list
ANY	Compare value to each value returned by the subquery
ALL	Compare value to every value returned by the subquery

In Operator

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Display all the products that have been sold at least once.

```
Select Pid, Name
From Product
Where Pid in
      (select distinct pid
       from ProductSales)
```



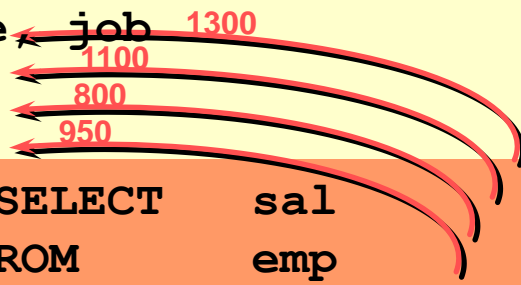
Pid	NAME
1	TV
3	Laptop

Any Operator

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Display the employees whose salary is less than any clerk and who are not clerks.

```
SQL> SELECT  empno, ename, job, sal
2 FROM      emp
3 WHERE     sal < ANY
4           (SELECT sal
5            FROM    emp
6            WHERE   job = 'CLERK')
7 AND       job <> 'CLERK' ;
```



EMPNO	ENAME	JOB
7654	MARTIN	SALESMAN
7521	WARD	SALESMAN

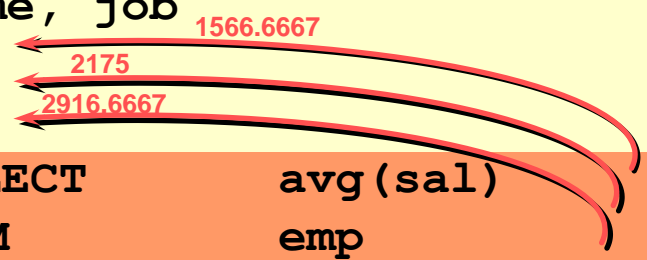
<ANY means less than the maximum. >ANY means more than the minimum. =ANY is equivalent to IN.

All Operator

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Display the employees whose salary is greater than the average salaries of all the departments.

```
SQL> SELECT  empno, ename, job
2  FROM      emp
3  WHERE     sal > ALL
4             (SELECT      avg(sal)
5             FROM          emp
6             GROUP BY     deptno) ;
```



EMPNO	ENAME	JOB
7839	KING	PRESIDENT
7566	JONES	MANAGER
7902	FORD	ANALYST
7788	SCOTT	ANALYST

>ALL means more than the maximum and <ALL means less than the minimum.

Summary

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Subqueries are useful when a query is based on unknown values.

Exercise

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- Student(sid, Name, age)
- Marks(sid, courseid, mark)
- Get the names of student who didn't pass (mark < 40)
course DB11

Select Name

From Student, Marks

Where Student.sid=Marks.sid

And mark < 40

And course='DB11'



Join condition

Exercise

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- Student(sid, Name, age)
- Marks(sid, courseid, mark)
- Get the names of student who didn't pass(mark<40)
course DB11

Select Name

From Student

Where sid in (select sid

From marks

Where courseid = 'DB11'

And mark < 40);

Exercise

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Write a query that will list the names of who is older than the average student.

Student (sid,name, age)

```
select name  
from student  
where age >  
      (select avg(age) from student);
```

Exercise

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- Write a query to display the employee number and name for all employees who work in a department with any employee whose name contains a T.

- ❑ SELECT empno, ename
- ❑ FROM emp
- ❑ WHERE deptno IN
 (SELECT deptno
 FROM emp
 WHERE ename LIKE '%T%');