Apply filters to SQL queries

Project description

I was tasked to make a system more secure by investigating potential security issues and updating employee computers as needed.

Retrieve after hours failed login attempts

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT
    -> FROM log_in_attempts
    -> WHERE login_time > '18:00' AND success = 0;
  event id | username | login date | login time | country
                                                             ip address
                                                                                success
                      | 2022-05-10 | 20:27:27
                                                                                      0
         2 | apatel
                                                   CAN
                                                             192.168.205.12
        18
          | pwashing | 2022-05-11 | 19:28:50
                                                   US
                                                             192.168.66.142
                                                                                      0
                      | 2022-05-12 | 18:56:36
                                                   MEXICO
                                                           | 192.168.109.50
```

I was tasked to investigate a series of failed login attempts that were made after business hours (18:00). I created a SQL query to filter all of the data by first, selecting from log_in_attempts table, then using the WHERE clause and AND operator to filter. login_time > '18:00' filters all of the login times that occurred after 18:00. success = 0 filters for failed login attempts.

Retrieve login attempts on specific dates

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT
      FROM log_in_attempts
    -> WHERE login date = '2022-05-09' OR login date = '2022-05-08';
             username | login date | login time | country |
                        2022-05-09 | 04:56:27
                                                            192.168.243.140
                                                                                     1
         1 | jrafael
                                                CAN
         3 | dkot
                        2022-05-09
                                   06:47:41
                                                  USA
                                                            192.168.151.162
                                                                                     1
             dkot
                                                  USA
```

I was tasked to investigate a suspicious event that occurred on a specific date (2022-05-09). It was also necessary to investigate the day before (2022-05-08). I created a SQL query to filter all of the login attempts that took place on 2022-05-08 or 2022-05-09. First, I selected all data from the $log_in_attempts$ table. Then, I used the WHERE clause and OR operator to filter the results. $login_date = '2022-05-09'$ filters login attempts that happened on 2022-05-09. $login_date = '2022-05-08'$ filters for the other data, 2022-05-08.

Retrieve login attempts outside of Mexico

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT
      FROM log in attempts
    -> WHERE NOT country LIKE 'Mex%';
 event_id | username | login_date | login_time | country |
                                                            ip address
         1 | jrafael | 2022-05-09 | 04:56:27
                                                                                     1
                                                CAN
                                                            192.168.243.140
                      | 2022-05-10 | 20:27:27
                                                            192.168.205.12
        2 | apatel
                                                  CAN
                                                                                     0
           | dkot
                      | 2022-05-09 | 06:47:41
                                                  USA
                                                            192.168.151.162
```

I was tasked to investigate login attempts that occurred outside of Mexico. I created a SQL query to filter out all login attempts that are labeled as a country remotely close to the way Mexico is written, like Mex. First, I selected all data from the log_in_attempts table. Then, I used the WHERE clause with NOT to filter for countries that are not Mexico. I used the LIKE with MEX% in order to account for the database representing Mexico as both Mexico and Mex. The percentage sign (%) represents any unspecified characters.

Retrieve employees in Marketing

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT
      FROM employees
    -> WHERE department = 'Marketing' AND office LIKE 'East%';
  employee id | device id
                                                        office
                               username
                                          department
         1000 | a320b137c219 | elarson
                                         | Marketing
                                                        East-170
                                          Marketing
               a192b174c940 |
                               jdarosa
         1075
              | x573y883z772 |
                               fbautist |
                                          Marketing
```

I was tasked to update computers for employees who are in the marketing department and located in an East building. First, I selected all data from the employees table. Then, I used the WHERE clause along with the AND operator to filter employees who work in the Marketing department and office being located in an East building. I used department = 'Marketing' to filter employees who work in Marketing. I also used office LIKE 'East%' to filter the database that represents any office that relates to the east side. The percentage sign (%) represents any unspecified characters.

Retrieve employees in Finance or Sales

I was tasked to update computers for employees who are in the Finance or Sales department. I first selected all the data from the employees table. Then, I used the WHERE clause along with the OR operator to filter employees who work in either the Finance or Sales department.

Because I used the OR operator, I need to filter through the department column two times:

department = 'Finance' and department = 'Sales'.

Retrieve all employees not in IT

I was tasked to make one more security update on employees who are not in the Information Technology department. First, I selected all the data from the employees table. Then, I used the WHERE clause along with NOT to filter out any employee in the Information Technology department.

Summary

I created SQL queries to filter out specific information in the database to find discrepancies or know which computers need updating. I used the tables, employees and log_in_attempts to get the information and used the AND, OR, and NOT operators to filter them out for each task. For special cases, I used the LIKE and percent sign wildcard to filter for patterns.