

# SQL 3

## Intermediate SQL Queries & SQL Review



# Objectives

## Intermediate SQL Queries

- Prerequisite: Query basics including the SELECT statement and JOINS
- This lesson: CASE statements, subqueries and window functions



# Chapter 1

## CASE

# Basic SQL queries

```
SELECT *  
FROM doctors;
```

Name	Day	Location	Details	Rate
Arthur	Monday	Chicago	Check ups	90
Arthur	Sunday	Chicago	On call	20
Dora	Monday	Evanston	Surgery	210
Dora	Wednesday	Evanston	Surgery	210
Dora	Sunday	Chicago	On call	20
Peppa	Wednesday	Evanston	Check ups	90

```
SELECT Name, Details  
FROM doctors;
```

Name	Details
Arthur	Check ups
Arthur	On call
Dora	Surgery
Dora	Surgery
Dora	On call
Peppa	Check ups

# The SELECT Clause

## **Display existing columns**

- Show all columns with an \*
- Show specific columns by listing them out

## **Display additional columns**

1. Calculations
2. Aggregations
3. The CASE statement

# Doctors table

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# 1. Calculations

```
SELECT Name, Rate  
FROM doctors;
```

Name	Rate
Arthur	90
Arthur	20
Dora	210
Dora	210
Dora	20
Peppa	90

```
SELECT Name, Rate + 5  
FROM doctors;
```

Name	Rate + 5
Arthur	95
Arthur	25
Dora	215
Dora	215
Dora	25
Peppa	95

## 2. Aggregations

```
SELECT Name, AVG(Rate)
FROM doctors
GROUP BY Name;
```

Name	AVG(Rate)
Arthur	55
Dora	170
Peppa	90

```
SELECT Name, AVG(Rate) as Average
FROM doctors
GROUP BY Name;
```

Name	Average
Arthur	55
Dora	170
Peppa	90



### 3. CASE

```
SELECT Name, Day,  
       CASE WHEN Day = 'Saturday'  
            OR Day = 'Sunday'  
            THEN 'Weekend'  
            ELSE 'Weekday' END  
       AS Day_Type  
FROM doctors;
```

Name	Day	Day_Type
Arthur	Monday	Weekday
Arthur	Sunday	Weekend
Dora	Monday	Weekday
Dora	Wednesday	Weekday
Dora	Sunday	Weekend
Peppa	Wednesday	Weekday

### 3. CASE with an aggregation (step 1)

How many weekend days does each doctor work?

```
SELECT Name, Day,  
       CASE WHEN Day = 'Saturday'  
            OR Day = 'Sunday'  
            THEN 1  
            ELSE 0 END  
       AS Day_Type  
FROM doctors;
```

Name	Day	Day_Type
Arthur	Monday	0
Arthur	Sunday	1
Dora	Monday	0
Dora	Wednesday	0
Dora	Sunday	1
Peppa	Wednesday	0

### 3. CASE with an aggregation (step 2)

How many weekend days does each doctor work?

```
SELECT Name, SUM(  
    CASE WHEN Day = 'Saturday'  
    OR Day = 'Sunday'  
    THEN 1  
    ELSE 0 END)  
    AS Num_Weekend_Days  
FROM doctors  
GROUP BY Name;
```

Name	Num_Weekend_Days
Arthur	1
Dora	1
Peppa	0



# Summary

## **Display existing columns**

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# Chapter 2

## Subqueries & Common Table Expressions (CTE)

# Example query

```
SELECT Name, Rate + 5 AS Rate_Plus_5
FROM doctors;
```

Name	Rate_Plus_5
Arthur	95
Arthur	25
Dora	215
Dora	215
Dora	25
Peppa	95

**New\_Rate\_Table**



# What if?

```
SELECT *  
FROM New_Rate_Table;
```

Name	Rate_Plus_5
Arthur	95
Arthur	25
Dora	215
Dora	215
Dora	25
Peppa	95

# What if?

```
SELECT Name, AVG(Rate_Plus_5) AS Average  
FROM New_Rate_Table  
GROUP BY Name;
```

Name	Rate_Plus_5
Arthur	60
Dora	152
Peppa	95

# Two approaches

## **Subqueries**

- A query within a query

## **Common Table Expressions (CTE)**

- Also called a WITH statement
- Creates a temporary data set only available during execution



# What we want to do in theory

```
SELECT Name, AVG(Rate_Plus_5) AS Average  
FROM New_Rate_Table  
GROUP BY Name;
```

Name	Rate_Plus_5
Arthur	60
Dora	152
Peppa	95

# Subquery example in practice

```
SELECT Name, AVG(Rate_Plus_5) AS Average
FROM
  (SELECT Name, Rate + 5 AS Rate_Plus_5
  FROM doctors) AS New_Rate_Table
GROUP BY Name;
```

Name	Rate_Plus_5
Arthur	60
Dora	152
Peppa	95

# WITH example in practice

```
WITH New_Rate_Table AS
(SELECT Name, Rate + 5 AS Rate_Plus_5
FROM doctors)
SELECT Name, AVG(Rate_Plus_5) AS Average
FROM New_Rate_Table
GROUP BY Name;
```

Name	Rate_Plus_5
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# Comparison of approaches

## **Subqueries**

- The simpler approach that will work with most SQL software
- Can occur within multiple clauses like SELECT, FROM and WHERE

## **Common Table Expressions (CTE) aka WITH Statement**

- Cleaner code
- Can be used for more complex concepts like recursion
- Temporary data set can be used for multiple queries
- Not supported within some very old SQL software



# Chapter 3

## Window Functions



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# Window functions

- Perform operations on a “window” of the data, or rows of data

# Doctors table

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# Example query

```
SELECT COUNT(*) AS Total  
FROM doctors;
```

Total
6



# OVER()

```
SELECT COUNT(*) OVER() AS Total  
FROM doctors;
```

Total
6
6
6
6
6
6

# OVER()

```
SELECT COUNT(*) OVER() AS Total, Name  
FROM doctors;
```

Total	Name
6	Arthur
6	Arthur
6	Dora
6	Dora
6	Dora
6	Peppa

# PARTITION BY()

```
SELECT COUNT(*) OVER(PARTITION BY Name) AS Total, Name
FROM doctors;
```

Total	Name
2	Arthur
2	Arthur
3	Dora
3	Dora
3	Dora
1	Peppa

# Window function syntax

**COUNT(\*) OVER(PARTITION BY Name)**

What  
operation  
you'd like  
to perform.

The clause  
to specify a  
window  
function.

What window you'd  
like to perform the  
operation on. If left  
blank, then all rows.

The output is the calculation for a window of data + each original row of data

# PARTITION BY()

```
SELECT COUNT(*) OVER(PARTITION BY Name) AS Total, Name
FROM doctors;
```

Total	Name
2	Arthur
2	Arthur
3	Dora
3	Dora
3	Dora
1	Peppa



# ROW\_NUMBER()

```
SELECT ROW_NUMBER() OVER(PARTITION BY Name) AS Num,  
Name, Rate  
FROM doctors;
```

Num	Name	Rate
1	Arthur	90
2	Arthur	20
1	Dora	210
2	Dora	20
3	Dora	210
1	Peppa	90

# ROW\_NUMBER()

```
SELECT ROW_NUMBER() OVER(PARTITION BY Name) AS Num,  
Name, Rate  
FROM doctors;
```

Num	Name	Rate
1	Arthur	90
2	Arthur	20
1	Dora	210
2	Dora	20
3	Dora	210
1	Peppa	90

# ROW\_NUMBER()

```
SELECT ROW_NUMBER()  
OVER(PARTITION BY Name ORDER BY Rate DESC) AS Num,  
Name, Rate  
FROM doctors;
```

Num	Name	Rate
1	Arthur	90
2	Arthur	20
1	Dora	210
2	Dora	210
3	Dora	20
1	Peppa	90

# ROW\_NUMBER()

```
SELECT ROW_NUMBER()  
OVER(PARTITION BY Name, Location) AS Num,  
Name, Location  
FROM doctors;
```

Num	Name	Location
1	Arthur	Chicago
2	Arthur	Chicago
1	Dora	Chicago
1	Dora	Evanston
2	Dora	Evanston
1	Peppa	Evanston

# RANK()

```
SELECT RANK()  
OVER(PARTITION BY Name ORDER BY Rate DESC) AS Num,  
Name, Rate  
FROM doctors_over;
```

Num	Name	Rate
1	Arthur	90
2	Arthur	20
1	Dora	210
1	Dora	210
3	Dora	20
1	Peppa	90

**vs ROW\_NUMBER()**

Num	Name	Rate
1	Arthur	90
2	Arthur	20
1	Dora	210
2	Dora	210
3	Dora	20
1	Peppa	90



# Window functions

- Perform operations on a “window” of the data, or rows of data
- Combines aggregations along with individual rows of data

## Syntax

- OVER() - using a window function
- PARTITION BY() - the window

## Calculations

- Aggregations: COUNT(), SUM(), etc.
- ROW\_NUMBER()
- RANK()



# Chapter 4

## SQL Summary

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- Summarize concepts covered in SQL 1 / 2 / 3
- Tips for using SQL on the job

# SQL 1 Summary

## Key Concepts

- Databases: store data in an organized way
- Data models: how tables are connected in a database

## Tools

- RDBMS: SQLite
- GUI: DB Browser for SQLite

# SQL 1 Summary

SELECT  
FROM  
WHERE  
GROUP BY  
HAVING  
ORDER BY  
LIMIT



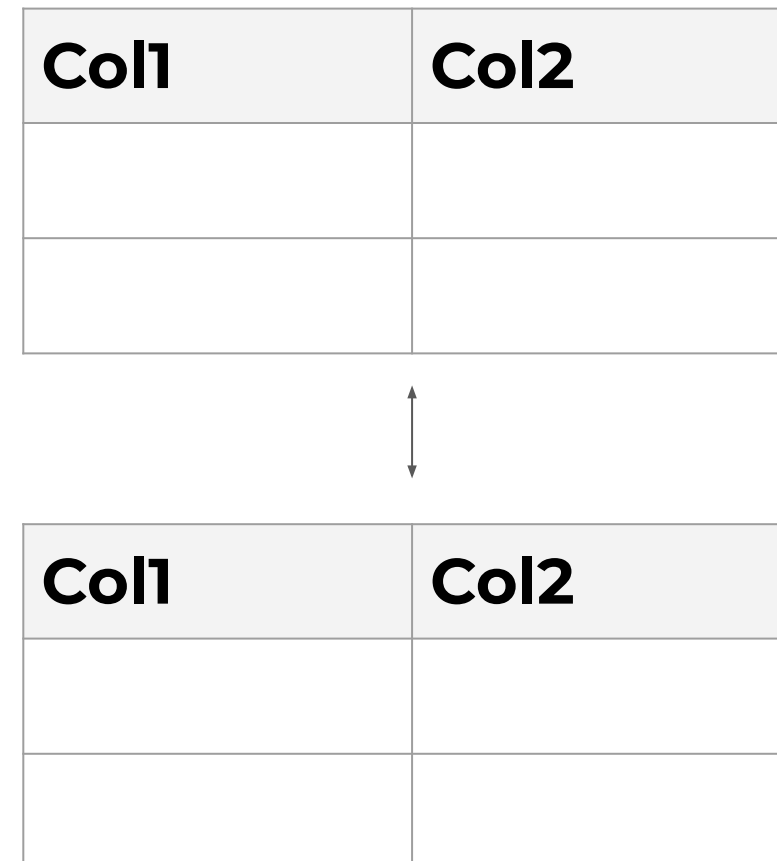
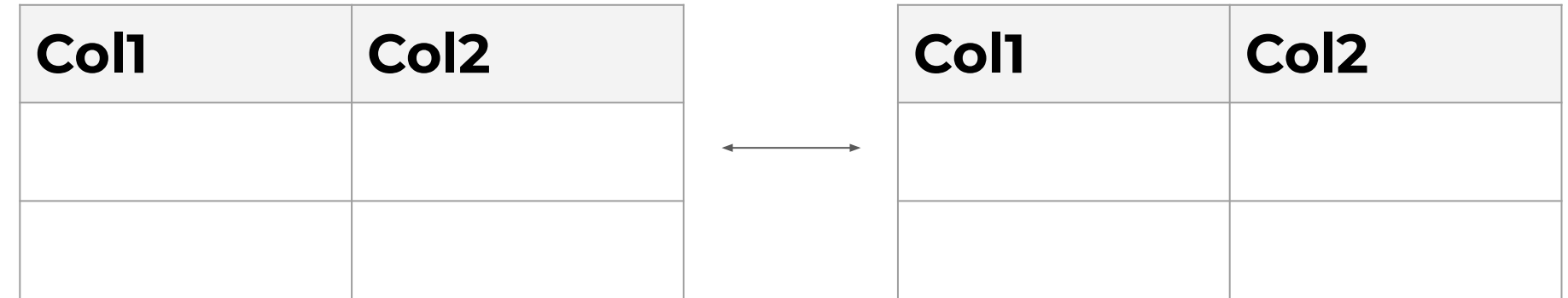
# SQL 2 Summary

## Create Tables

- CREATE
- INSERT

## Work with Multiple Tables

- JOIN
- UNION



# SQL 2 Summary

## **JOIN Types**

- INNER JOIN - only rows in common
- LEFT JOIN - only rows in left table
- RIGHT JOIN - only rows in right table
- OUTER JOIN - all rows

# SQL 3 Summary

## Intermediate Queries

- CASE
- Subqueries and CTEs (WITH)
- Window Functions (OVER and PARTITION BY)

# Next Step: Practice

## **Steps**

1. Find a data model and understand it
2. Come up with interesting questions
3. Practice writing SQL queries to answer those questions

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## Example

1. European Soccer Dataset (open source) with 25k+ matches
2. Which team scored the most points when playing at home?
3. `SELECT ...`

# Practical Tips

## **When you join a company**

1. Download the RDBMS that they are using
2. Get familiar with the syntax and tools
3. Understand the company's database schemas
4. Talk to more experienced SQL people



# Relational Database and SQL Closing Thoughts

## **Pros**

- Stable
- Popular
- SQL is incorporated into other more modern tools and languages

## **Cons**

- Rigid data structure
- Cumbersome queries

## **Suggestion**

- Use SQL along with other programming languages