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Experiment Name: Querying and Manipulating Students Data

Theory:

Structured Query Language (SQL) is a fundamental tool for managing and querying data in relational databases. It enables users to perform essential operations like filtering, sorting, and aggregating data efficiently. For instance, SQL allows users to extract specific records based on conditions, calculate averages, and generate summaries such as total fees or average grades for students. These tasks can be carried out using core SQL commands like `SELECT`, `WHERE`, `AVG()`, `SUM()`, and `COUNT()`, which provide a straightforward way to manage and analyze data. SQL's flexibility also extends to inserting new records, updating existing ones, and managing complex datasets by retrieving only the necessary information based on multiple conditions. This makes SQL a powerful and versatile tool for academic institutions or any organization that needs to manage large sets of relational data.

Additionally, SQL supports more advanced operations such as ranking data, applying conditions based on averages or sums, and grouping data for summary statistics. With the use of `ORDER BY` and `LIMIT`, users can rank records, such as finding students who have paid the highest fees or earned the highest grades. SQL also provides group-based aggregation with the `GROUP BY` and `HAVING` clauses, which are used to analyze subsets of data, such as calculating total fees and average GPA for departments with more than a certain number of students. These advanced querying capabilities allow users to dive deeper into their data, providing insightful analytics that can help in decision-making processes across a wide range of contexts, from educational institutions to businesses managing financial or operational data.

Problem Statements:

1. Create the table below:

student_id	student_name	age	GPA	department	year_of_admission	fees_paid	credits_earned	enrollment_status
1	Eleven	21	3.8	Engineering	2021	10000	120	active
2	Dustin	22	3.9	Science	2020	9000	110	active
3	Will	19	3.4	Business	2022	8500	95	active
4	Mike	23	3.7	Science	2021	9500	115	inactive
5	Max	20	3.5	Engineering	2020	12000	130	active
6	Eddie	22	4.0	Arts	2019	8000	140	active
7	Billy	24	2.9	Engineering	2022	5000	60	active
8	Alexei	25	3.2	Business	2018	7500	100	inactive
9	Steve	21	3.8	Science	2021	10500	120	active
10	Robin	20	3.6	Engineering	2022	11000	125	active
11	Lucas	18	2.7	Engineering	2023	4000	50	active
12	Nancy	23	3.9	Business	2019	9500	135	active

2. Find students who are older than 20 and have a GPA above the average GPA of all students
3. Find the top 5 students with the highest fees paid, ordered by GPA (in descending order) as a tiebreaker
4. List students who belong to the "Engineering" department, have a GPA greater than 3.5, and are enrolled after 2020
5. Find students who are not active (i.e., `enrollment_status = 'inactive'`) and have not paid any fees (`fees_paid = 0`)
6. Calculate the total fees paid and average GPA for each department, but only for departments with more than 10 students

Software Used:

1. XAMPP (used for running MySQL locally through the Apache server)

Problem 1: Create the given table

SQL Commands:

```
1 CREATE DATABASE Student;
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3 USE Student;
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5 CREATE TABLE students (
6     student_id INT PRIMARY KEY,
7     student_name VARCHAR(50),
8     age INT,
9     GPA DECIMAL(2,1),
10    department VARCHAR(50),
11    year_of_admission YEAR,
12    fees_paid INT,
13    credits_earned INT,
14    enrollment_status VARCHAR(10)
15 );
16
17 INSERT INTO students (student_id, student_name, age, GPA, department, year_of_admission, fees_paid,
18    credits_earned, enrollment_status) VALUES
19 (1, 'Eleven', 21, 3.8, 'Engineering', 2021, 10000, 120, 'active'),
20 (2, 'Dustin', 22, 3.9, 'Science', 2020, 9000, 110, 'active'),
21 (3, 'Will', 19, 3.4, 'Business', 2022, 8500, 95, 'active'),
22 (4, 'Mike', 23, 3.7, 'Science', 2021, 9500, 115, 'inactive'),
23 (5, 'Max', 20, 3.5, 'Engineering', 2020, 12000, 130, 'active'),
24 (6, 'Eddie', 22, 4.0, 'Arts', 2019, 8000, 140, 'active'),
25 (7, 'Billy', 24, 2.9, 'Engineering', 2022, 5000, 60, 'active'),
26 (8, 'Alexei', 25, 3.2, 'Business', 2018, 7500, 100, 'inactive'),
27 (9, 'Steve', 21, 3.8, 'Science', 2021, 10500, 120, 'active'),
28 (10, 'Robin', 20, 3.6, 'Engineering', 2022, 11000, 125, 'active'),
29 (11, 'Lucas', 18, 2.7, 'Engineering', 2023, 4000, 50, 'active'),
30 (12, 'Nancy', 23, 3.9, 'Business', 2019, 9500, 135, 'active');
```

Output:

student_id	student_name	age	GPA	department	year_of_admission	fees_paid	credits_earned	enrollment_status
1	Eleven	21	3.8	Engineering	2021	10000	120	active
2	Dustin	22	3.9	Science	2020	9000	110	active
3	Will	19	3.4	Business	2022	8500	95	active
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Problem 2: Find students who are older than 20 and have a GPA above the average GPA of all students

SQL Commands:

```
1 SELECT *
2 FROM students
3 WHERE age > 20
4 AND GPA > (SELECT AVG(GPA) FROM students);
```

Output:

student_id	student_name	age	GPA	department	year_of_admission	fees_paid	credits_earned	enrollment_status
1	Eleven	21	3.8	Engineering	2021	10000	120	active
2	Dustin	22	3.9	Science	2020	9000	110	active
4	Mike	23	3.7	Science	2021	9500	115	inactive
6	Eddie	22	4.0	Arts	2019	8000	140	active
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Problem 3: Find the top 5 students with the highest fees paid, ordered by GPA (in descending order) as a tiebreaker

SQL Commands:

```
1 SELECT *
2 FROM students
3 ORDER BY fees_paid DESC, GPA DESC
4 LIMIT 5;
```

Output:

student_id	student_name	age	GPA	department	year_of_admission	fees_paid	credits_earned	enrollment_status
5	Max	20	3.5	Engineering	2020	12000	130	active
10	Robin	20	3.6	Engineering	2022	11000	125	active
9	Steve	21	3.8	Science	2021	10500	120	active
1	Eleven	21	3.8	Engineering	2021	10000	120	active
12	Nancy	23	3.9	Business	2019	9500	135	active

Problem 4: List students who belong to the “Engineering” department, have a GPA greater than 3.5, and are enrolled after 2020

SQL Commands:

```
1 SELECT *
2 FROM students
3 WHERE department = 'Engineering'
4 AND GPA > 3.5
5 AND year_of_admission > 2020;
```

Output:

student_id	student_name	age	GPA	department	year_of_admission	fees_paid	credits_earned	enrollment_status
1	Eleven	21	3.8	Engineering	2021	10000	120	active
10	Robin	20	3.6	Engineering	2022	11000	125	active

Problem 5: Find students who are not active (i.e., enrollment_status = ‘inactive’) and have not paid any fees (fees_paid = 0)

SQL Commands:

```
1 SELECT *
2 FROM students
3 WHERE enrollment_status = 'inactive'
```

```
4 AND fees_paid = 0;
```

Output:

student_id	student_name	age	GPA	department	year_of_admission	fees_paid	credits_earned	enrollment_status
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The table is empty

Problem 6: Calculate the total fees paid and average GPA for each department, but only for departments with more than 10 students

SQL Commands:

```
1 SELECT department,
2     SUM(fees_paid) AS total_fees_paid,
3     AVG(GPA) AS average_GPA,
4     COUNT(*) AS student_count
5 FROM students
6 GROUP BY department
7 HAVING COUNT(*) > 10;
```

Output:

department	total_fees_paid	average_GPA	student_count
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The table is empty

Discussion:

The SQL queries presented showcase various techniques to interact with and analyze data in a relational database. The first query highlights a typical use case for filtering students based on their age and GPA compared to the overall average GPA, providing a simple yet effective method for identifying top performers in an institution. This approach is particularly useful when institutions want to reward or track the progress of their highest-achieving students. The queries also demonstrate how ordering data by multiple criteria, such as fees paid and GPA, allows for ranking students in descending order, which can help in determining those contributing the most in terms of financial resources while maintaining academic excellence. Additionally, conditional filtering based on department, GPA, and year of admission allows for the creation of more specialized lists, like identifying students who meet specific academic and enrollment criteria.

The advanced query operations, such as grouping and filtering using the GROUP BY and HAVING clauses, provide a powerful mechanism for performing aggregate calculations on the data. For instance, calculating the total fees paid and average GPA for each department is crucial for resource allocation and academic analysis. By focusing on departments with more than 10 students, the query ensures statistical significance in the results, which aids in identifying trends across larger student populations. This type of query can be extremely valuable in making data-driven decisions related to departmental funding, student performance analysis, and enrollment strategies, providing insights that contribute to the overall improvement of educational institutions.

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