Data Management Systems PostgreSQL

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Constraints

- Not Null: specifies that a column must not assume the null value
- Unique: ensures that the data contained in a column, or a group of columns, is unique among all the rows in the table
- Primary Key: indicates that a column, or group of columns, can be used as a unique identifier for rows in the table
- ► Check: allows you to specify that the value in a certain column must satisfy a Boolean (truth-value) expression

Constraints - PostgreSQL

Import Data

psql

- ▶ \i: reads input from the file and executes it as though it had been typed on the keyboard.
- \copy: psql reads the file and routes the data between the server and the local file system

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 COPY FROM: instructs the PostgreSQL server to directly read from a file

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SELECT <attributes> FROM <one or more relations>;

- 1. *: to select all columns
- 2. LIMIT < n >: n rows will be returned
- 3. *OFFSET* < *n* >: to skip *n* rows before beginning to return rows
- 4. WHERE < condition>: to filter our data on a condition (such as gender = 'Female')
- 5. OR, AND, NOT: logical operators
- 6. IS NULL: to test for null (i.e. missing) values

- 1. DISTINCT: eliminates duplicate rows from the result
- ORDER BY: rows are sorted in a specified order (ASC or DESC)
- LIKE: a case-sensitive test for pattern matching (where % stands for any sequence of characters and _ for any single character)
- 4. iLIKE: similar to LIKE but case-insensitive
- 5. BETWEEN: logical operator
- EXTRACT: retrieves subfields such as year or hour from date/time values.
- 7. AS: to assign a temporary name

SQL - Aggregate Functions

ALL | *DISTINCT*:

- COUNT: returns the count of all or distinct values passed
- SUM: returns the sum of all or distinct values passed
- AVG: returns the average of all or distinct values passed

ALL:

- ▶ MIN: returns the minimum value among all values passed
- ► MAX: returns the maximum value among all values passed

We have seen also

► ROUND: to specify the length or precision of a numeric expression

SQL - GROUP BY

- GROUP BY: to group observations
- ► HAVING: to filter data on a condition

NB: WHERE applies the condition to rows *before* the GROUP BY, while HAVING *after*.

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