

# Essential SQL

APPLYING SQL TO REAL-WORLD PROBLEMS



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# What you will learn!

- **Chapter 1:** Use Real World SQL
- **Chapter 2:** Find Your Data
- **Chapter 3:** Manage Your Data
- **Chapter 4:** Best Practices for Writing SQL

# The database

- DVD Rental Store
- Based off the pagila database <sup>1</sup>

Tables	
actor	film_actor
address	inventory
category	language
customer	payment
film	rental

<sup>1</sup> <https://github.com/devrimgunduz/pagila>

# Essential SQL commands

```
SELECT title, length
FROM film AS f
INNER JOIN category AS c
    ON f.film_id = c.film_id
WHERE c.category = 'Documentary'
    AND f.rating IN ('G', 'PG')
ORDER BY length DESC;
```

# SELECT, FROM

```
SELECT title, length  
FROM film
```

```
;
```

## SELECT

```
SELECT <column1>, <column2>  
-- OR  
SELECT *
```

## FROM

```
FROM <table_name>
```

# INNER JOIN

```
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    ON f.film_id = c.film_id

;
```

## AS

```
<column_name> AS <alias1>
```

## INNER JOIN

```
INNER JOIN <table_name> AS <alias2>
```

## ON

```
ON <alias1>.<column> = <alias2>.<column>
```

# WHERE, AND, IN

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;
```

## WHERE

```
WHERE <condition>
```

## AND

```
AND <condition>
```

## IN

```
IN ('<item1>', '<item2>', ...)
```

# ORDER BY, DESC

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## ORDER BY

```
ORDER BY <column_name>
```

## DESC

```
ORDER BY <column_name> DESC
```



# Practice the essentials!

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# Transforming your results

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# Transforming strings

UPPER(<column>) & LOWER(<column>)

```
SELECT city,  
       UPPER(city) AS upper_city,  
       LOWER(city) AS lower_city  
FROM address;
```

city	lower_city	upper_city
Lethbridge	lethbridge	LETHBRIDGE
Woodridge	woodridge	WOODRIDGE
Lethbridge	lethbridge	LETHBRIDGE
Woodridge	woodridge	WOODRIDGE

# Transforming numbers

Operators: add (+), subtract (-), divide (/), multiply(\*)

```
SELECT replacement_cost,  
       replacement_cost + 2 AS updated_cost,  
       replacement_cost / length AS cost_per_minute  
FROM film;
```

replacement_cost	updated_cost	cost_per_minute
20.99	22.99	0.24406977
12.99	14.99	0.27062500
18.99	20.99	0.37980000

# Transforming dates

```
EXTRACT(<part> FROM <date_column>)
```

```
SELECT rental_date,  
       EXTRACT(YEAR FROM rental_date) AS rental_year,  
       EXTRACT(HOUR FROM rental_date) AS rental_hour  
FROM rental;
```

rental_date	rental_year	rental_hour
2005-05-30 23:54:19	2005	23
2005-05-30 23:55:36	2005	23
2005-05-31 00:06:02	2005	0

# Time to transform!

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# Working with aggregate functions

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# GROUP BY

```
SELECT rating,  
       AVG(replacement_cost)  
FROM film  
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```

rating	title	length	release_year	replacement_cost
G	ACE GOLDFINGER	48	2010.0	13.00
G	AFFAIR PREJUDICE	117	2009	27.00
G	AFRICAN EGG	130	2008.0	23.00
PG	ACADEMY DINOSAUR	86.0	2010.0	21.00
PG	AGENT TRUMAN	169.0	2007.0	18.0
PG	ALASKA PHANTOM	136.0	2009.0	23.00
PG-13	AIRPLANE SIERRA	62.0	2009.0	29.00
PG-13	ALABAMA DEVIL	114	2008.0	22.00
PG-13	ALTER VICTORY	57.0	2007.0	28.00
R	AIRPORT POLLOCK	54.0	2004.0	16.0
R	DATE SPEED	104	2010.0	20.00
R	ALONE TRIP	82.0	2004.0	15.0

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```

rating	title	length	release_year	replacement_cost		Rating	AVG(replacement_cost)
G	ACE GOLDFINGER	48	2010.0	13.00		G	20.1
G	AFFAIR PREJUDICE	117	2009	27.00			
G	AFRICAN EGG	130	2008.0	23.00			
PG	ACADEMY DINOSAUR	86.0	2010.0	21.00		PG	19.0
PG	AGENT TRUMAN	169.0	2007.0	18.0			
PG	ALASKA PHANTOM	136.0	2009.0	23.00			
PG-13	AIRPLANE SIERRA	62.0	2009.0	29.00		PG-13	20.4
PG-13	ALABAMA DEVIL	114	2008.0	22.00			
PG-13	ALTER VICTORY	57.0	2007.0	28.00			
R	AIRPORT POLLOCK	54.0	2004.0	16.0		R	20.2
R	DATE SPEED	104	2010.0	20.00			
R	ALONE TRIP	82.0	2004.0	15.0			

# Numeric aggregate functions

```
SELECT rating,  
       AVG(replacement_cost) AS avg_cost,  
       COUNT(rating) AS number_elements,  
       SUM(replacement_cost) AS total_cost  
FROM film  
GROUP BY rating;
```

rating	avg_cost	number_elements	total_cost
PG-13	20.40256	223	4549.77
R	20.23103	195	3945.05
G	20.12483	178	3582.22
PG	18.95907	194	3678.06

# String aggregate functions

```
STRING_AGG(<column>, '<separator>')
```

```
SELECT rating,  
       STRING_AGG(title, ',') as films  
FROM film  
GROUP BY rating;
```

rating	films
PG-13	AIRPLANE SIERRA, ALABAMA DEVIL, ...
R	AIRPORT POLLOCK, DATE SPEED, ...
G	ACE GOLDFINGER, AFFAIR PREJUDICE, ...

# Time to aggregate!

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