

Numeric Data Types and Summary Functions

EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS IN SQL



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serial	4 bytes	auto-increment	1 to 2147483647
smallserial	2 bytes	small auto- increment	1 to 32767
bigserial	8 bytes	large auto-increment	1 to 9223372036854775807

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double precision	8 bytes	variable-precision, inexact	15 decimal digits precision

Division

```
-- integer division  
SELECT 10/4;
```

2

```
-- numeric division  
SELECT 10/4.0;
```

2.50000000

Range: min and max

```
SELECT min(question_pct)  
FROM stackoverflow;
```

```
min  
----  
0  
(1 row)
```

```
SELECT max(question_pct)  
FROM stackoverflow;
```

```
max  
----  
0.071957428  
(1 row)
```

Average or mean

```
SELECT avg(question_pct)  
FROM stackoverflow;
```

```
avg
```

```
-----  
0.00379494620059319  
(1 row)
```

Variance

Population Variance

```
SELECT var_pop(question_pct)
  FROM stackoverflow;
```

```
var_pop
-----
0.000140268640974167
(1 row)
```

Sample Variance

```
SELECT var_samp(question_pct)
  FROM stackoverflow;
```

```
var_samp
-----
0.000140271571051059
(1 row)
```

```
SELECT variance(question_pct)
  FROM stackoverflow;
```

```
variance
-----
0.000140271571051059
(1 row)
```

Standard deviation

Sample Standard Deviation

```
SELECT stddev_samp(question_pct)
  FROM stackoverflow;
```

```
stddev_samp
-----
0.0118436299778007
(1 row)
```

```
SELECT stddev(question_pct)
  FROM stackoverflow;
```

```
stddev
-----
0.0118436299778007
(1 row)
```

Population Standard Deviation

```
SELECT stddev_pop(question_pct)
  FROM stackoverflow;
```

```
stddev_pop
-----
0.0118435062787237
(1 row)
```

Round

```
SELECT round(42.1256, 2);
```

```
42.13
```

Summarize by group

```
-- Summarize by group with GROUP BY
SELECT tag,
       min(question_pct),
       avg(question_pct),
       max(question_pct)
FROM stackoverflow
GROUP BY tag;
```

tag	min	avg	max
amazon-sqs	6.91e-05	8.08328877005347e-05	9.6e-05
amazon-kinesis	2.1e-05	3.3924064171123e-05	4.64e-05
android-pay	2.97e-05	3.16712477396022e-05	3.29e-05
amazon-cloudformation	4.8e-05	9.34518997326204e-05	0.00015246
citrix	3.6e-05	3.95804407713499e-05	4.39e-05
amazon-ec2	0.001058039	0.00122817236730946	0.001378872
actionscript	0.000551486	0.00067589990909091	0.000856132
amazon-ecs	1.17e-05	3.40544117647059e-05	6.51e-05
mongodb	0.0049625	0.00577465885069125	0.00631164
amazon-redshift	0.000117294	0.000160832181818182	0.000212208
...			

Let's work with numbers!

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Exploring distributions

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Count values

```
SELECT unanswered_count, count(*)  
  FROM stackoverflow  
 WHERE tag='amazon-ebs'  
 GROUP BY unanswered_count  
 ORDER BY unanswered_count;
```

unanswered_count	count
37	12
38	40
...	
43	10
44	8
45	17
46	4
47	1
...	
54	131
55	34
56	1
(20 rows)	

Truncate

```
SELECT trunc(42.1256, 2);
```

```
42.12
```

```
SELECT trunc(12345, -3);
```

```
12000
```

Truncating and grouping

```
SELECT trunc(unanswered_count, -1) AS trunc_ua,  
       count(*)  
  FROM stackoverflow  
 WHERE tag='amazon-ebs'  
 GROUP BY trunc_ua    -- column alias  
 ORDER BY trunc_ua;  -- column alias
```

trunc_ua	count
30	74
40	194
50	480

(3 rows)

Generate series

```
SELECT generate_series(start, end, step);
```

Generate series

```
SELECT generate_series(1, 10, 2);
```

```
generate_series
-----
1
3
5
7
9
(5 rows)
```

```
SELECT generate_series(0, 1, .1);
```

```
generate_series
-----
0
0.1
0.2
0.3
0.4
0.5
0.6
0.7
0.8
0.9
1.0
(11 rows)
```

Create bins: output

lower	upper	count
30	35	0
35	40	74
40	45	155
45	50	39
50	55	445
55	60	35
60	65	0

(7 rows)

Create bins: query

```
-- Create bins
WITH bins AS (
    SELECT generate_series(30,60,5) AS lower,
    generate_series(35,65,5) AS upper),
;

;
```

Create bins: query

```
-- Create bins
WITH bins AS (
    SELECT generate_series(30,60,5) AS lower,
           generate_series(35,65,5) AS upper),
-- Subset data to tag of interest
ebs AS (
    SELECT unanswered_count
    FROM stackoverflow
    WHERE tag='amazon-ebs')
;

;
```

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      FROM stackoverflow
     WHERE tag='amazon-ebs')
-- Count values in each bin
SELECT lower, upper, count(unanswered_count)
-- left join keeps all bins
  FROM bins
 LEFT JOIN ebs
    ON unanswered_count >= lower
   AND unanswered_count < upper
;

;
```

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        ON unanswered_count >= lower
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-- Group by bin bounds to create the groups
 GROUP BY lower, upper
 ORDER BY lower;
```

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**Time to explore
some distributions!**

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More Summary Functions

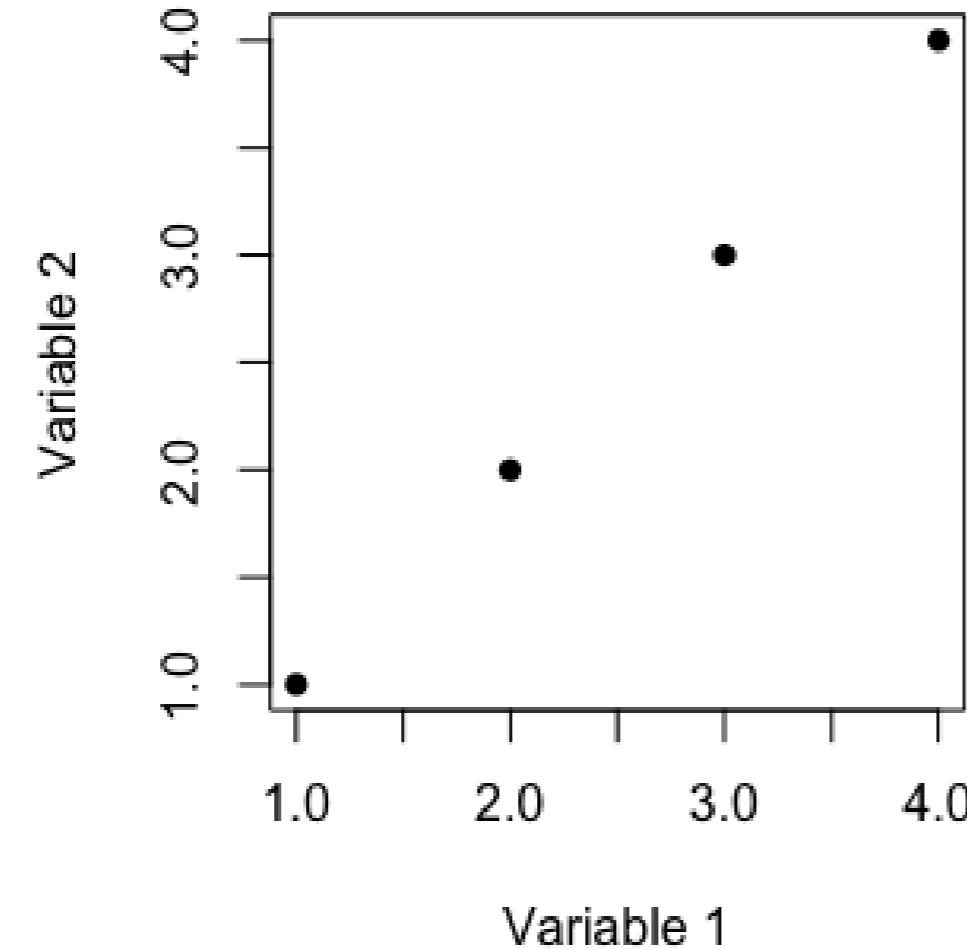
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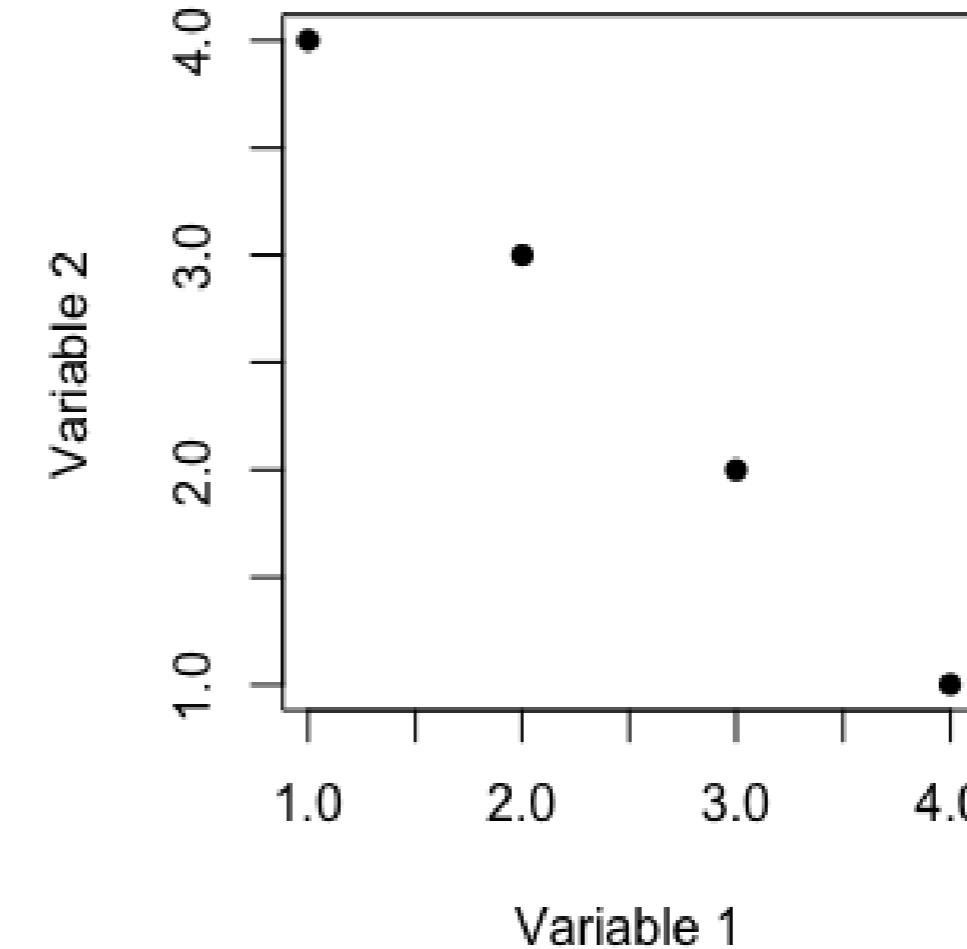
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Correlation

Correlation = 1



Correlation = -1



Correlation function

```
SELECT corr(assets, equity)  
      FROM fortune500;
```

```
corr
```

```
-----  
0.637710143588615  
(1 row)
```

Median

```
1 1 4 4 4 5 6 7 13 19 20 20 21 21 22
```

^

median

50th percentile

^

^

0th percentile

100th percentile

Percentile functions

```
SELECT percentile_disc(percentile) WITHIN GROUP (ORDER BY column_name)  
  FROM table;
```

-- percentile between 0 and 1

- Returns a value from column

```
SELECT percentile_cont(percentile) WITHIN GROUP (ORDER BY column_name)  
  FROM table;
```

- Interpolates between values

Percentile examples

```
SELECT val  
FROM nums;
```

```
val  
----  
1  
3  
4  
5  
(4 rows)
```

```
SELECT percentile_disc(.5) WITHIN GROUP (ORDER BY val),  
      percentile_cont(.5) WITHIN GROUP (ORDER BY val)  
FROM nums;
```

```
percentile_disc | percentile_cont  
-----+-----  
      3 |      3.5
```

Common issues

- Error codes
 - Examples: 9, 99, -99
- Missing value codes
 - NA, NaN, N/A, #N/A
 - 0 = missing or 0?
- Outlier (extreme) values
 - Really high or low?
 - Negative values?
- Not really a number
 - Examples: zip codes, survey response categories

Let's practice!

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Creating Temporary Tables

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Syntax

Create Temp Table Syntax

```
-- Create table as  
CREATE TEMP TABLE new_tablename AS  
-- Query results to store in the table  
SELECT column1, column2  
    FROM table;
```

Select Into Syntax

```
-- Select existing columns  
SELECT column1, column2  
    -- Clause to direct results to a new temp table  
    INTO TEMP TABLE new_tablename  
    -- Existing table with existing columns  
    FROM table;
```

Create a table

```
CREATE TEMP TABLE top_companies AS  
SELECT rank,  
       title  
  FROM fortune500  
 WHERE rank <= 10;
```

```
SELECT *  
FROM top_companies;
```

rank	title
1	Walmart
2	Berkshire Hathaway
3	Apple
4	Exxon Mobil
5	McKesson
6	UnitedHealth Group
7	CVS Health
8	General Motors
9	AT&T
10	Ford Motor

(10 rows)

Insert into table

```
INSERT INTO top_companies  
SELECT rank, title  
FROM fortune500  
WHERE rank BETWEEN 11 AND 20;
```

```
SELECT * FROM top_companies;
```

rank	title
1	Walmart
2	Berkshire Hathaway
3	Apple
...	
9	AT&T
10	Ford Motor
11	AmerisourceBergen
12	Amazon.com
13	General Electric
14	Verizon
15	Cardinal Health
16	Costco
17	Walgreens Boots Alliance
18	Kroger
19	Chevron
20	Fannie Mae

(20 rows)

Delete (drop) table

```
DROP TABLE top_companies;
```

```
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS top_companies;
```

Time to create some tables!

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