This is the accompanying class "notes" for the O'Reilly Online Training *Intermediate SQL for Data Analysis*.

# **Section I - Setup**

To set up, you will need two things: SQLiteStudio and the files for this class (which you likely have already if you are reading this document).

SQLiteStudio can be downloaded from its website: https://sqlitestudio.pl/index.rvt?act=download

The files for this class can be downloaded here: https://github.com/thomasnield/oreilly\_intermediate\_sql\_for\_data

Import the "thunderbird\_manufacturing.db" database file, which we will be using for almost all of the examples.

# Section II - Subqueries, Unions, and Advanced Aggregations

# 2.1A - Scalar Subqueries

Get all orders on the last day there were orders

```
SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
WHERE ORDER_DATE = (SELECT MAX(ORDER_DATE) FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER)
```

# 2.1B - Multi-value Subqueries

Sometimes it can be helpful to leverage subqueries that return a set of values, rather than one scalar value. For instance, to query customer orders for customers in TX, we can save ourselves a join and use a subquery to get CUSTOMER\_ID's that belong to customers in TX. Then we can leverage that with a WHERE and specify an IN condition:

# 2.2 - Aliasing Tables and Scalar Subquery Aggregation

Retrieving the average of quantity by each record's CUSTOMER\_ID and PRODUCT\_ID

Depending on how they are used, subqueries can be more expensive or less expensive than joins. Subqueries that generate a value for each record tend to me more expensive, like the example above.

## 2.3 - Derived Tables

A more efficient way to bring in averages by CUSTOMER\_ID and PRODUCT\_ID is by deriving a table of these averages, and joining to it.

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
CUSTOMER ORDER.CUSTOMER ID,
ORDER DATE,
CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID,
QUANTITY,
cust_avgs.avg_qty
FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
INNER JOIN
(
    SELECT CUSTOMER ID,
    PRODUCT ID,
    AVG(QUANTITY) as avg qty
    FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
    GROUP BY 1, 2
) cust avgs
ON CUSTOMER ORDER.CUSTOMER_ID = cust_avgs.CUSTOMER_ID
AND CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID = cust avgs.PRODUCT ID
```

# 2.4 Common Table Expressions

You can actually create Common Table Expressions to "re-use" one or more derived tables. These can be helpful to simply provide names to derived tables, and simplify your queries greatly.

```
WITH CUST AVGS AS (
    SELECT CUSTOMER ID,
    PRODUCT_ID,
    AVG(QUANTITY) AS AVG_QTY
    FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
    GROUP BY 1, 2
)
SELECT CUSTOMER ORDER ID,
CUSTOMER ORDER.CUSTOMER ID,
ORDER_DATE,
CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID,
QUANTITY,
AVG_QTY
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER INNER JOIN CUST_AVGS
ON CUSTOMER_ORDER.CUSTOMER_ID = cust_avgs.CUSTOMER_ID
AND CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID = cust avgs.PRODUCT ID
For instance, we can create two derived tables "TX_CUSTOMERS" and "TX_ORDERS" but
give them names as common table expressions. Then we can proceed to use those two
derived tables like this.
WITH TX CUSTOMERS AS
SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER
WHERE STATE = 'TX'
),
TX ORDERS AS
SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
WHERE CUSTOMER ID IN (SELECT CUSTOMER ID FROM TX CUSTOMERS)
SELECT * FROM TX ORDERS INNER JOIN TX CUSTOMERS
ON TX_ORDERS.CUSTOMER_ID = TX_CUSTOMERS.CUSTOMER_ID
Conditional Subqueries
SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER c
WHERE EXISTS (SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER WHERE CUSTOMER_ID = c.CUSTOMER_ID)
```

# **2.5** - Unions

To simply append two queries (with identical fields) together, put a UNION ALL between them.

```
SELECT
'FEB' AS MONTH,
PRODUCT.PRODUCT_ID,
PRODUCT NAME,
SUM(PRICE * QUANTITY) AS REV
FROM PRODUCT LEFT JOIN CUSTOMER ORDER
ON PRODUCT.PRODUCT ID = CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID
WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-02-01' AND '2017-02-28'
GROUP BY 1,2,3
UNION ALL
SELECT
'MAR' AS MONTH,
PRODUCT.PRODUCT_ID,
PRODUCT_NAME,
SUM(PRICE * QUANTITY) AS REV
FROM PRODUCT LEFT JOIN CUSTOMER ORDER
ON PRODUCT.PRODUCT ID = CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID
WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'
GROUP BY 1,2,3
```

Using UNION instead of UNION ALL will remove duplicates, which should not be necessary in this case.

You should strive not to use unions as they often encourage bad, inefficient SQL. Strive to use CASE statements or other tools instead. In this example, it would have been better to do this:

```
SELECT
CASE

WHEN ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-02-01' AND '2017-02-28' THEN 'FEB'
WHEN ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31' THEN 'MAR'
END AS MONTH,
PRODUCT.PRODUCT_ID,
PRODUCT_NAME,
SUM(PRICE * QUANTITY) AS REV
FROM PRODUCT LEFT JOIN CUSTOMER_ORDER
ON PRODUCT.PRODUCT_ID = CUSTOMER_ORDER.PRODUCT_ID

WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-02-01' AND '2017-03-31'
GROUP BY 1,2,3
```

### 2.6 - GROUP CONCAT

A neat little trick you can do on some database platforms (like SQLite, MySQL, and PostgreSQL) is the group\_concat() aggregate function. This will concatenate all values in a column as an aggregation, and can be used in conjunction with a GROUP BY like MIN, MAX, AVG, etc.

This shows a concatenated list of values of PRODUCT\_ID's ordered for each ORDER\_DATE.

```
SELECT ORDER_DATE,
group_concat(PRODUCT_ID) as product_ids_ordered

FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-02-01' AND '2017-02-28'
GROUP BY ORDER_DATE

Putting the DISTINCT keyword inside of it will only concatenate the DISTINCT product ID's.
```

```
SELECT ORDER_DATE,
group_concat(DISTINCT PRODUCT_ID) as product_ids_ordered

FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-02-01' AND '2017-02-28'
GROUP BY ORDER_DATE
```

GROUP\_CONCAT is a helpful function to compress the results into a single record, in a single cell, often in a reporting context.

Note that GROUP\_CONCAT is used in MySQL and SQLite, but is often called STRING\_AGG on other platforms such as Oracle, PostgreSQL, and Microsoft SQL Server.

#### **Exercise 1**

Bring in all records for CUSTOMER\_ORDER, but also bring in the total quantities ever ordered each given PRODUCT\_ID and CUSTOMER\_ID.

#### ANSWER:

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
CUSTOMER_ORDER.CUSTOMER_ID,
ORDER_DATE,
CUSTOMER_ORDER.PRODUCT_ID,
QUANTITY,
sum_qty

FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
INNER JOIN
(
SELECT CUSTOMER_ID,
PRODUCT_ID,
```

```
SUM(QUANTITY) AS sum qty
    FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
    GROUP BY 1, 2
) total ordered
ON CUSTOMER ORDER.CUSTOMER ID = total ordered.CUSTOMER ID
AND CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID = total ordered.PRODUCT ID
Or if you choose to use a common table expression...
WITH total ordered AS (
    SELECT CUSTOMER ID,
    PRODUCT ID,
    SUM(QUANTITY) AS sum_qty
    FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
    GROUP BY 1, 2
)
SELECT CUSTOMER ORDER ID,
CUSTOMER ORDER.CUSTOMER ID,
ORDER DATE,
CUSTOMER_ORDER.PRODUCT_ID,
QUANTITY,
sum_qty
FROM CUSTOMER ORDER INNER JOIN total ordered
ON CUSTOMER ORDER.CUSTOMER ID = total ordered.CUSTOMER ID
AND CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID = total ordered.PRODUCT ID
```

# **Section III - Regular Expressions**

Regular expressions are a powerful tool for qualifying complex text patterns. Their usage extends far outside of SQL and can be found on many technology platforms including Python, R, Java, .NET, LibreOffice, Alteryx, and Tableau.

While regular expressions can be used to split and search text, we will primarily be using it to match text, much like wildcards.

The REGEXP operator is used in SQLite for matching a text to a regex pattern. Like all boolean operations, it will return a 1 for true or 0 for false. I also published an article with O'Reilly that covers regular expressions in a bit more depth here: https://www.oreilly.com/ideas/an-introduction-to-regular-expressions

Note carefully that the REGEXP operator is not implemented by default with SQLite. SQLiteStudio does implement it for you, so it will work while using SQLiteStudio. However, if you use SQLite with Python, Java, or other programming platforms you will have to implement it yourself.

#### 3.1 - Literals

Literals are characters in a regex pattern that have no special function, and represent that character verbatim. Numbers and letters are literals. For example, The regex TX will match the string TX

```
SELECT 'TX' REGEXP 'TX' --true
```

Some characters, as we have seen, have special functionality in a regex. If you want to use these characters as literals, sometimes you have to escape them with a preceding \. These characters include:

```
[\^$.|?*+()
```

So to qualify a U.S. currency amount, you will need to escape the dollar sign \$ and the decimal place .

```
SELECT '$181.12' REGEXP '\$181\.12' -- true
```

# 3.1 - Qualifying Alphabetic and Numeric Ranges

A range is a valid set of values for a single character. For instance [A-Z] qualifies one uppercase alphabetic value for the range of letters A thru Z, so [A-Z][A-Z] would qualify two uppercase alphabetic text values. This would match the text string TX.

```
SELECT 'TX' REGEXP '[A-Z][A-Z]' --true

SELECT '45' REGEXP '[A-Z][A-Z]' --false

SELECT 'T2' REGEXP '[A-Z][0-3]' --true

SELECT 'T9' REGEXP '[A-Z0-9][A-Z0-9]' --true
```

TX would not match [A-Z][A-Z][A-Z] though because it is not three characters.

```
SELECT 'TX' REGEXP '[A-Z][A-Z][A-Z]' --false
SELECT 'ASU' REGEXP '[A-Z][A-Z][A-Z]' --true
```

We can also specify certain characters, and they don't necessarily have to be ranges:

```
SELECT 'A6' REGEXP '[ATUX][469]' --true
SELECT 'B8' REGEXP '[ATUX][469]' --false
```

Conversely, we can negate a set of characters by starting the range with ^:

```
SELECT 'A6' REGEXP '[^ATUX][^469]' --false
SELECT 'B8' REGEXP '[^ATUX][^469]' --true
```

# 3.2 - Anchoring

If you don't want partial matches but rather full matches, you have to anchor the beginning and end of the String with ^ and \$ respectively.

For instance, [A-Z][A-Z] would qualify with SMU. This is because it found two alphabetic characters within those three characters.

```
SELECT 'SMU' REGEXP '[A-Z][A-Z]' --true
```

If you don't want that, you will need to qualify start and end anchors, which effectively demands a full match when both are used:

```
SELECT 'SMU' REGEXP '^[A-Z][A-Z]$' --false
```

You can also anchor to just the beginning or end of the string to check, for instance, if a string starts with a number followed by an alphabetic character:

```
SELECT '9FN' REGEXP '^[0-9][A-Z]' --true
SELECT 'RFX' REGEXP '^[0-9][A-Z]' --false
```

## 3.3 - Repeaters

Sometimes we simply want to qualify a repeated pattern in our regular expression. For example, this is redundant:

```
SELECT 'ASU' REGEXP '^[A-Z][A-Z]$' --true
```

We can instead explicitly identify in curly brackets we want to repeat that alphabetic character 3 times, by following it with a {3}.

```
SELECT 'ASU' REGEXP '^[A-Z]{3}$' --true
```

We can also specify a min and max number of repetitions, such as a minimum of 2 but max of 3.

```
SELECT 'ASU' REGEXP '^[A-Z]{2,3}$' --true SELECT 'TX' REGEXP '^[A-Z]{2,3}$' --true
```

Leaving the second argument blank will result in only requiring a minimum of repetitions:

```
SELECT 'A' REGEXP '^[A-Z]{2,}$' --false
SELECT 'ASDIKJFSKJJNXVNJGTHEWIROQWERKJTX' REGEXP '^[A-Z]{2,}$' --true
```

To allow 1 or more repetitions, use the +. This will qualify with 1 or more alphanumeric characters.

```
SELECT 'ASDFJSKJ4892KSFJJ2843KJSNBKW' REGEXP '^[A-Z0-9]+$' --true SELECT 'SDFJSDKJF/&SSDKJ$#SDFKSDFKJ' REGEXP '^[A-Z0-9]+$' --false
```

To allow 0 or more repetitions, use the \*

```
SELECT 'ASDFJSKJ4892KSFJJ2843KJSNBKW' REGEXP '^[A-Z0-9]*' --true SELECT '' REGEXP '^[A-Z0-9]*' --true
```

To allow 0 or 1 repetitions (an optional character), follow the item with a ?. This will allow two characters to be preceded with a number, but it doesn't have to:

```
SELECT '9FX' REGEXP '^[0-9]?[A-Z]{2}$' --true SELECT 'AX' REGEXP '^[0-9]?[A-Z]{2}$' --true
```

You can use several repeaters for different clauses in a regex. Below, we qualify a string of alphabetic characters, a dash - followed by a string of numbers, and then another - with a string of alphabetic characters.

```
SELECT 'ASJSDFH-32423522-HUETHNB' REGEXP '^[A-Z]+-[0-9]+-[A-Z]+$' --true
```

### 3.4 Wildcards

A dot . represents any character, even whitespaces.

```
SELECT 'A-3' REGEXP '...' --true
```

You can also use it with repeaters to create broad wildcards for any number of characters.

```
SELECT 'A-3' REGEXP '.{3}' --true

SELECT 'A-3' REGEXP '.+' --true

SELECT 'A-3' REGEXP '.*' --true
```

.\* is a common way to express qualifying any text.

# 3.5 Alternation and Grouping

You can group up parts of a regular expression using rounded paranthesis ( ), often to put a repeater on that entire group. For example, we can make the entire decimal part of a dollar amount optional:

```
SELECT '181.12' REGEXP '^[0-9]+(\.[0-9]{2})?$' --true
SELECT '181' REGEXP '^[0-9]+(\.[0-9]{2})?$' --true
``
```

We can also qualify a string of letters, a slash `/`, and a string of numbers, but qualify any number of repetitions of this entire pattern:

```
```sql
SELECT 'WHISKY/23482374/ZULU/23423234/FOXTROT/6453' REGEXP '^([A-Z]+/[0-9]+/?)+$' --true
```

The pipe | operator functions as an alternator operator, or effectively an OR. It allows you to qualify any number of regular expressions where at least one of them must be true:

```
SELECT 'ALPHA' REGEXP '^(FOXTROT|ZULU|ALPHA|TANGO)$' --true
```

# 3.7 Using Regular Expressions in queries

Find all customers with a 3-4 digit street number. Note the literal space before the wildcard .\*:

```
SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER
WHERE ADDRESS REGEXP '^[0-9]{3,4} .*$'
```

#### **EXERCISE**

Find all customers with an address ending in "Blvd" or "St":

```
SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER
WHERE ADDRESS REGEXP '.*(Blvd|St)$'
```

# **Section IV - Advanced Joins and Temporary Tables**

### 4.1 Inner Join Review

Using an INNER JOIN, you can view CUSTOMER and PRODUCT information with each CUSTOMER ORDER.

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,

CUSTOMER_NAME,

ORDER_DATE,

PRODUCT_ID,

PRODUCT_NAME,

PRODUCT_GROUP

QUANTITY,

PRICE

FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER

INNER JOIN CUSTOMER
ON CUSTOMER_ORDER.CUSTOMER_ID = CUSTOMER.CUSTOMER_ID

INNER JOIN PRODUCT

ON CUSTOMER_ORDER.PRODUCT_ID = CUSTOMER_ORDER.PRODUCT_ID
```

## 4.2 Left Join Review

Total quantity sold of all products, null means no products were sold that day.

```
SELECT PRODUCT_ID,
PRODUCT_NAME,
SUM(QUANTITY) as total_quantity

FROM PRODUCT LEFT JOIN CUSTOMER_ORDER
ON PRODUCT.PRODUCT_ID = CUSTOMER_ORDER.PRODUCT_ID
AND ORDER_DATE = '2017-03-01'
GROUP BY 1, 2
```

# 4.3 Creating a Volatile Table

Herei show to create a volatile/temporary table of discount rules. This table will dispose at the end of each session. It is no different than a standard CREATE TABLE statement other than the TEMP keyword.

```
CREATE TEMP TABLE DISCOUNT (
                       VARCHAR (20) NOT NULL DEFAULT ('.*'),
    CUSTOMER ID REGEX
    PRODUCT ID REGEX VARCHAR (20) NOT NULL DEFAULT ('.*'),
    PRODUCT_GROUP_REGEX VARCHAR (30) NOT NULL DEFAULT ('.*'),
                     VARCHAR (30) NOT NULL DEFAULT ('.*'),
    STATE REGEX
    DISCOUNT RATE
                     DOUBLE
                                  NOT NULL
);
INSERT INTO DISCOUNT (STATE_REGEX, DISCOUNT_RATE) VALUES ('LA|OK', 0.20);
INSERT INTO DISCOUNT (PRODUCT_GROUP_REGEX, STATE_REGEX, DISCOUNT_RATE) VALUES
('BETA|GAMMA','TX', 0.10);
INSERT INTO DISCOUNT (PRODUCT_ID_REGEX, CUSTOMER_ID_REGEX, DISCOUNT_RATE)
VALUES ('^[379]$', '^(1|6|12)$', 0.30);
```

Note you can also create a temporary (or permanent) table from a SELECT query. This is helpful to persist expensive query results and reuse it multiple times during a session. SOLite is a bit more convoluted to do this than other platforms:

```
CREATE TEMP TABLE ORDER_TOTALS_BY_DATE AS
WITH ORDER_TOTALS_BY_DATE AS (
    SELECT ORDER_DATE,
    SUM(QUANTITY) AS TOTAL_QUANTITY
    FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
    GROUP BY 1
)
SELECT * FROM ORDER_TOTALS_BY_DATE
```

# **4.4 Joining with Regular Expressions**

Left-joining to the temporary table and qualifying on the regular expressions for each respective field allows us to apply the discounts to each CUSTOMER\_ORDER as specified.

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER.*,
PRICE,
DISCOUNT_RATE,
PRICE * (1 - DISCOUNT_RATE) AS DISCOUNTED_PRICE

FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
INNER JOIN CUSTOMER
ON CUSTOMER_ORDER.CUSTOMER_ID = CUSTOMER.CUSTOMER_ID

INNER JOIN PRODUCT
ON CUSTOMER_ORDER.PRODUCT_ID = PRODUCT.PRODUCT_ID
```

```
LEFT JOIN DISCOUNT
ON CUSTOMER ORDER.CUSTOMER ID REGEXP DISCOUNT.CUSTOMER ID REGEX
AND CUSTOMER_ORDER.PRODUCT_ID REGEXP DISCOUNT.PRODUCT_ID_REGEX
AND PRODUCT.PRODUCT GROUP REGEXP DISCOUNT.PRODUCT GROUP REGEX
AND CUSTOMER.STATE REGEXP DISCOUNT.STATE REGEX
WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-26' AND '2017-03-31'
If you expect records to possibly get multiple discounts, then sum the discounts and GROUP
BY everything else:
SELECT CUSTOMER ORDER ID,
CUSTOMER NAME,
STATE,
ORDER DATE,
CUSTOMER_ORDER.PRODUCT_ID,
PRODUCT NAME,
PRODUCT GROUP
QUANTITY,
PRICE,
SUM(DISCOUNT_RATE) as TOTAL_DISCOUNT_RATE,
PRICE * (1 - SUM(DISCOUNT_RATE)) AS DISCOUNTED_PRICE
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
INNER JOIN CUSTOMER
ON CUSTOMER ORDER.CUSTOMER ID = CUSTOMER.CUSTOMER ID
INNER JOIN PRODUCT
ON CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID = CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID
LEFT JOIN DISCOUNT
ON CUSTOMER_ORDER.CUSTOMER_ID REGEXP DISCOUNT.CUSTOMER_ID_REGEX
AND CUSTOMER ORDER.PRODUCT ID REGEXP DISCOUNT.PRODUCT ID REGEX
AND PRODUCT.PRODUCT_GROUP REGEXP DISCOUNT.PRODUCT_GROUP_REGEX
AND CUSTOMER.STATE REGEXP DISCOUNT.STATE_REGEX
WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-26' AND '2017-03-31'
GROUP BY 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8
```

#### 4.5A Self Joins

We can join a table to itself by invoking it twice with two aliases. This can be useful, for example, to look up the previous day's order quantity (if any) for a given CUSTOMER\_ID and PRODUCT ID:

```
SELECT o1.CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
o1.CUSTOMER_ID,
o1.PRODUCT ID,
```

```
o1.ORDER_DATE,
o1.QUANTITY,
o2.QUANTITY AS PREV_DAY_QUANTITY

FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER o1
LEFT JOIN CUSTOMER_ORDER o2

ON o1.CUSTOMER_ID = o2.CUSTOMER_ID
AND o1.PRODUCT_ID = o2.PRODUCT_ID
AND o2.ORDER_DATE = date(o1.ORDER_DATE, '-1 day')

WHERE o1.ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-05' AND '2017-03-11'
```

Note if you want to get the previous quantity ordered for that record's given CUSTOMER\_ID and PRODUCT\_ID, even if it wasn't strictly the day before, you can use a subquery instead that qualifies previous dates and orders them descending. Then you can use LIMIT 1 to grab the most recent at the top.

### 4.5B Recursive Self Joins

At some point of your career, you may encounter a table that is inherently designed to be self-joined. For instance, run this query:

```
SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE
```

This is a table containing employee information, including their manager via a MANAGER\_ID field. Here is a sample of the results below.

_	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	MANAGER_ID
	13	Pembroke	Killgus	Accountant I	Accounting	10
	14	Harper	Argontt	Director	Operations	3
	15	Fabio	Treversh	Manager	Operations	14
	16	Gerard	Morforth	Analyst	Operations	15

17	Stephanus	Palatino	Senior Analyst	Operations	15
18	Jennilee	Withers	Analyst	Operations	15
19	Desdemona	Farmar	<b>Business Consultant</b>	Operations	15
20	Ashlin	Creamen	Manager	Operations	14
21	Daniel	Licquorish	Analyst	Operations	20

This MANAGER\_ID points to another EMPLOYEE record. If you want to bring in Daniel and his superior's information, this isn't hard to do with a self join.

```
SELECT e1.FIRST_NAME,
e1.LAST_NAME,
e1.TITLE,
e2.FIRST_NAME AS MANAGER_FIRST_NAME,
e2.LAST_NAME AS MANAGER_LAST_NAME

FROM EMPLOYEE e1 INNER JOIN EMPLOYEE e2
ON e1.MANAGER_ID = e2.ID

WHERE e1.FIRST_NAME = 'Daniel'

FIRST_NAME LAST_NAME TITLE MANAGER_FIRST_NAME MANAGER_LAST_NAME
Daniel Licquorish Analyst Ashlin Creamen
```

But what if you wanted to display the entire hierarchy above Daniel? Well shoot, this is hard because now you have to do several self joins to daisy-chain your way to the top. What makes this even harder is you don't know how many self joins you will need to do. For cases like this, it can be helpful to leverage recursive queries.

A recursion is a special type of common table expression (CTE). Typically, you "seed" a starting value and then use UNION or UNION ALL to append the results of a query that uses each "seed", and the result becomes the next seed.

In this case, we will use a RECURSIVE common table expression to seed Daniel's ID, and then append each MANAGER\_ID of each EMPLOYEE\_ID that matches the seed. This will give a set of ID's for employees hierarchical to Daniel. We can then use these ID's to navigate Daniel's hierarchy via JOINS, IN, or other SQL operators.

```
-- generates a list of employee ID's hierarchical to Daniel

WITH RECURSIVE hierarchy_of_daniel(x) AS (
SELECT 21 -- start with Daniel's ID

UNION ALL -- append each manager ID recursively

SELECT MANAGER_ID

FROM hierarchy_of_daniel INNER JOIN EMPLOYEE

ON EMPLOYEE.ID = hierarchy_of_daniel.x -- employee ID must equal previous recursion
)
```

```
SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE
WHERE ID IN hierarchy_of_daniel;
```

Recursive queries are a bit tricky to get right, but practice them if you deal frequently with hierarchical records. You will likely use them with a specific part of the hierarchy in focus (e.g. Daniel's superiors). It's harder to show the hierarchy for everyone at once, but there are ways. For instance, you can put a RECURSIVE operation in a subquery and use GROUP\_CONCAT.

```
SELECT e1.* ,

(
    WITH RECURSIVE hierarchy_of(x) AS (
    SELECT e1.ID
    UNION ALL -- append each manager ID recursively
    SELECT MANAGER_ID
    FROM hierarchy_of INNER JOIN EMPLOYEE
    ON EMPLOYEE.ID = hierarchy_of.x -- employee ID must equal previous
recursion
    )

SELECT GROUP_CONCAT(ID) FROM EMPLOYEE e2
    WHERE ID IN hierarchy_of
) AS HIERARCHY IDS
```

#### FROM EMPLOYEE e1

ID	FIRST_NAM	LAST_NAM	mimi p	DEPARTMEN	MANAGER_I	HIERARCHY_ID
ID	Е	Е	TITLE	T	D	S
1 4	Harper	Argontt	Director	Operations	3	1,3,14
1 5	Fabio	Treversh	Manager	Operations	14	1,3,14,15
1 6	Gerard	Morforth	Analyst	Operations	15	1,3,14,15,16
1 7	Stephanus	Palatino	Senior Analyst	Operations	15	1,3,14,15,17
1 8	Jennilee	Withers	Analyst	Operations	15	1,3,14,15,18
1 9	Desdemona	Farmar	Business Consultan t	Operations	15	1,3,14,15,19
2	Ashlin	Creamen	Manager	Operations	14	1,3,14,20
2 1	Daniel	Licquorish	Analyst	Operations	20	1,3,14,20,21

2 2	Quill	Pinder	Senior Analyst	Operations	20	1,3,14,20,22
2 3	Maybelle	Freiburger	Business Consultan t	Operations	20	1,3,14,20,23
2 4	Angelique	Havis	Business Consultan t	Operations	20	1,3,14,20,24
2 5	Lyn	Geale	Director	Technology	4	1,4,25
2 6	Tammy	Eakly	Manager	Help Desk	25	1,4,25,26
2 7	Junie	Blanque	Technicia n I	Help Desk	26	1,4,25,26,27

Note recursive queries also can be used to improvise a set of consecutive values without creating a table. For instance, we can generate a set of consecutive integers. Here is how you create a set of integers from 1 to 1000.

```
WITH RECURSIVE my_integers(x) AS (
    SELECT 1
        UNION ALL
    SELECT x + 1
    FROM my_integers
    WHERE x < 1000
)
SELECT * FROM my_integers
```

Generating integers can also be helpful to "repeat-and-modify" records in a given table. For example, say we have a table of air travel bookings where each booking can have "x" number of passengers (such as 3 passengers).

BOOKI NG_ID	BOOKED_EM PLOYEE_ID	DEPARTU RE_DATE	ORI GIN	DESTIN ATION	FARE_ PRICE	NUM_OF_PA SSENGERS	RETURN_BO OKING_ID
1	6	2017-03- 01	DF W	ORD	170	2	2
2	6	2017-03- 04	OR D	DFW	160	2	
3	19	2017-03- 21	DF W	JFK	210	3	4
4	19	2017-03- 24	JFK	DFW	220	3	
5	1	2017-03- 26	DF W	LAX	180	1	6

6	1	2017-03- 27	LAX	DFW	190	1	
7	5	2017-03- 27	DF W	ORD	210	2	8
8	5	2017-03- 29	OR D	DFW	190	2	
9	9	2017-03- 28	DF W	SF0	220	3	10
10	9	2017-03- 28	SFO	DFW	230	3	
11	31	2017-04- 01	DF W	LAX	190	1	12
12	31	2017-04- 05	LAX	DFW	180	1	

We can break up each booking into individual bookings for each passenger (e.g create 3 records off of a booking with 3 passengers).

```
WITH RECURSIVE repeat_helper(x) AS (
    SELECT 1
        UNION ALL
    SELECT x + 1
    FROM repeat_helper
    WHERE x < 1000
)
SELECT BOOKING_ID,
BOOKED EMPLOYEE ID,
DEPARTURE_DATE,
ORIGIN,
DESTINATION,
FARE_PRICE,
repeat_helper.x AS PASSENGER_NUMBER
FROM EMPLOYEE_AIR_TRAVEL CROSS JOIN repeat_helper
ON repeat_helper.x <= NUM_OF_PASSENGERS</pre>
```

BOOKIN G_ID	BOOKED_EMPL OYEE ID	DEPARTURE DATE	ORIG IN	DESTINA TION	FARE_P RICE	PASSENGER_N UMBER
1		2017-03-01	DFW		170	1
1	6			ORD	-	1
1	6	2017-03-01	DFW	ORD	170	2
2	6	2017-03-04	ORD	DFW	160	1
2	6	2017-03-04	ORD	DFW	160	2
3	19	2017-03-21	DFW	JFK	210	1
3	19	2017-03-21	DFW	JFK	210	2

3	19	2017-03-21	DFW	JFK	210	3
4	19	2017-03-24	JFK	DFW	220	1
4	19	2017-03-24	JFK	DFW	220	2
4	19	2017-03-24	JFK	DFW	220	3
5	1	2017-03-26	DFW	LAX	180	1
6	1	2017-03-27	LAX	DFW	190	1
7	5	2017-03-27	DFW	ORD	210	1

You can also use some clever CASE expression logic with an integer generator to find total costs of sending employees to each airport.

```
WITH RECURSIVE repeat_helper(x) AS (
    SELECT 1
       UNION ALL
    SELECT x + 1
    FROM repeat helper
   WHERE x < 1000
)
SELECT
CASE WHEN repeat_helper.x == 1 THEN ORIGIN ELSE DESTINATION END AS AIRPORT,
SUM(FARE_PRICE * NUM_OF_PASSENGERS) AS AIRPORT_REVENUE
FROM EMPLOYEE AIR TRAVEL CROSS JOIN repeat helper
ON repeat helper.x <= 2</pre>
GROUP BY AIRPORT
AIRPORT AIRPORT_REVENUE
DFW
         4840
IFK
         1290
LAX
         740
ORD
         1460
SFO
         1350
```

You can apply the same concept to generate a set of chronological dates. This recursive query will generate all dates from today to '2030-12-31':

```
WITH RECURSIVE my_dates(x) AS (
    SELECT date('now')
        UNION ALL
    SELECT date(x, '+1 day')
    FROM my_dates
    WHERE x < '2030-12-31'
)
SELECT * FROM my_dates
```

#### 4.6 Cross Joins

Sometimes it can be helpful to generate a "cartesian product", or every possible combination between two or more data sets using a CROSS JOIN. This is often done to generate a data set that fills in gaps for another query. Not every calendar date has orders, nor does every order date have an entry for every product, as shown in this query:

```
SELECT ORDER_DATE,
PRODUCT_ID,
SUM(QUANTITY) as TOTAL_QTY
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
GROUP BY 1, 2
```

We should use a cross join to resolve this problem. For instance, we can leverage a CROSS JOIN query to generate every possible combination of PRODUCT\_ID and CUSTOMER\_ID.

```
SELECT
CUSTOMER_ID,
PRODUCT_ID
FROM CUSTOMER
CROSS JOIN PRODUCT
```

In this case we should bring in CALENDAR\_DATE and cross join it with PRODUCT\_ID to get every possible combination of calendar date and product. Note the CALENDAR\_DATE comes from the CALENDAR table, which acts as a simple list of consecutive calendar dates. Note we could also have used a recursive query, as shown in the previous example, to generate the dates. We'll stick with a simple table instead for now in case you are not comfortable with recursion yet. We should only filter the calendar to a date range of interest, like 2017-01-01 and 2017-03-31.

```
SELECT
CALENDAR_DATE,
PRODUCT_ID
FROM PRODUCT
CROSS JOIN CALENDAR
WHERE CALENDAR DATE BETWEEN '2017-01-01' and '2017-03-31'
```

Then we can LEFT JOIN to our previous query to get every product quantity sold by calendar date, even if there were no orders that day:

```
SELECT CALENDAR_DATE,
all_combos.PRODUCT_ID,
TOTAL_QTY

FROM
(
SELECT
CALENDAR DATE,
```

```
PRODUCT ID
  FROM PRODUCT
  CROSS JOIN CALENDAR
  WHERE CALENDAR_DATE BETWEEN '2017-01-01' and '2017-03-31'
) all_combos
LEFT JOIN
  SELECT ORDER_DATE,
  PRODUCT_ID,
  SUM(QUANTITY) as TOTAL_QTY
  FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
  GROUP BY 1, 2
) totals
ON all_combos.CALENDAR_DATE = totals.ORDER_DATE
AND all_combos.PRODUCT_ID = totals.PRODUCT_ID
ORDER BY CALENDAR DATE, all_combos.PRODUCT_ID
Note you can also use common table expressions:
WITH all_combos AS (
  SELECT
  CALENDAR_DATE,
  PRODUCT ID
  FROM PRODUCT
  CROSS JOIN CALENDAR
  WHERE CALENDAR_DATE BETWEEN '2017-01-01' and '2017-03-31'
),
totals AS (
  SELECT ORDER DATE,
  PRODUCT_ID,
  SUM(QUANTITY) as TOTAL_QTY
  FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
  GROUP BY 1, 2
)
SELECT CALENDAR_DATE,
all_combos.PRODUCT_ID,
TOTAL QTY
FROM all_combos LEFT JOIN totals
```

```
ON all_combos.CALENDAR_DATE = totals.ORDER_DATE
AND all_combos.PRODUCT_ID = totals.PRODUCT_ID

ORDER BY CALENDAR DATE, all combos.PRODUCT ID
```

## 4.7 Comparative Joins

Note also you can use comparison operators in joins. For instance, we can self-join to create rolling quantity totals and generate a cartesian product on previous dates to the current order, and then sum those quantities. It is much easier to use windowing functions for this purpose though, which is covered in the next section.

```
SELECT c1.ORDER_DATE,
c1.PRODUCT_ID,
c1.CUSTOMER_ID,
c1.QUANTITY,
SUM(c2.QUANTITY) as ROLLING_QTY

FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER c1 INNER JOIN CUSTOMER_ORDER c2
ON c1.PRODUCT_ID = c2.PRODUCT_ID
AND c1.CUSTOMER_ID = c2.CUSTOMER_ID
AND c1.ORDER_DATE >= c2.ORDER_DATE

GROUP BY 1, 2, 3, 4
```

## **Exercise 4**

For every CALENDAR\_DATE and CUSTOMER\_ID, show the total QUANTITY ordered for the date range of 2017-01-01 to 2017-03-31:

#### ANSWER:

```
SELECT CALENDAR_DATE,
all_combos.CUSTOMER_ID,
coalesce(TOTAL_QTY, 0) AS TOTAL_QTY

FROM
(
    SELECT
    CALENDAR_DATE,
    CUSTOMER_ID
    FROM CUSTOMER
    CROSS JOIN CALENDAR
    WHERE CALENDAR_DATE BETWEEN '2017-01-01' and '2017-03-31'
) all_combos

LEFT JOIN
(
    SELECT ORDER_DATE,
```

```
CUSTOMER ID,
  SUM(QUANTITY) as TOTAL_QTY
  FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
  GROUP BY 1, 2
) totals
ON all_combos.CALENDAR_DATE = totals.ORDER_DATE
AND all_combos.CUSTOMER_ID = totals.CUSTOMER_ID
ORDER BY CALENDAR_DATE, all_combos.CUSTOMER_ID
Using Common Table Expressions:
WITH all_combos AS (
  SELECT
  CALENDAR_DATE,
  CUSTOMER_ID
  FROM CUSTOMER
  CROSS JOIN CALENDAR
 WHERE CALENDAR_DATE BETWEEN '2017-01-01' and '2017-03-31'
),
totals AS (
  SELECT ORDER_DATE,
  CUSTOMER_ID,
  SUM(QUANTITY) as TOTAL_QTY
  FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
  GROUP BY 1, 2
)
SELECT CALENDAR DATE,
all_combos.CUSTOMER_ID,
coalesce(TOTAL_QTY, 0) AS TOTAL_QTY
from all_combos LEFT JOIN totals
ON all combos.CALENDAR DATE = totals.ORDER DATE
AND all_combos.CUSTOMER_ID = totals.CUSTOMER_ID
ORDER BY CALENDAR_DATE, all_combos.CUSTOMER_ID
```

# **Section V - Windowing**

SELECT CUSTOMER ORDER ID,

CUSTOMER ID,

Windowing functions allow you to greater contextual aggregations in ways much more flexible than GROUP BY. Many major database platforms support windowing functions.

## **5.1 PARTITION BY**

Sometimes it can be helpful to create a contextual aggregation for each record in a query. Windowing functions can make this much easier and save us a lot of subquery work.

For instance, it may be helpful to not only get each CUSTOMER\_ORDER for the month of MARCH, but also the average quantity that customer purchased for that PRODUCT\_ID. We can do that with an OVER PARTITION BY combined with the AVG() function. We have done this operation with derived tables and common table expressions in the past, but now we can do it in a one-line window function!

```
ORDER DATE,
PRODUCT ID,
QUANTITY,
AVG(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT ID, CUSTOMER ID) as
AVG_PRODUCT_QTY_ORDERED
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'
ORDER BY CUSTOMER ORDER ID
Here is the maximum quantity for shared customers and products:
SELECT CUSTOMER ORDER ID,
CUSTOMER_ID,
ORDER DATE,
PRODUCT ID,
OUANTITY,
MAX(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT ID, CUSTOMER ID) as
MAX PRODUCT OTY ORDERED
FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'
ORDER BY CUSTOMER ORDER ID
```

Each MAX\_PRODUCT\_QTY\_ORDERED will only be the minimum QUANTITY of that given record's PRDOUCT ID and CUSTOMER ID. The WHERE will also filter that scope to only within MARCH.

You can have multiple windowed fields in a query. Below, we get a MIN, MAX, and AVG for that given window.

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
CUSTOMER ID,
ORDER DATE,
PRODUCT ID,
QUANTITY,
MIN(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT ID, CUSTOMER ID) as
MIN PRODUCT OTY ORDERED,
MAX(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT ID, CUSTOMER ID) as
MAX PRODUCT QTY ORDERED,
AVG(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT ID, CUSTOMER ID) as
AVG PRODUCT QTY ORDERED
FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'
ORDER BY CUSTOMER ORDER ID
You can also mix and match scopes which is difficult to do with derived tables.
SELECT CUSTOMER ORDER ID,
CUSTOMER_ID,
ORDER DATE,
PRODUCT ID,
OUANTITY,
MIN(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT ID, CUSTOMER ID) as
MIN PRODUCT CUSTOMER OTY ORDERED,
MIN(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT ID) as MIN PRODUCT QTY ORDERED,
MIN(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY CUSTOMER ID) as MIN CUSTOMER QTY ORDERED
FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'
When you are declaring your window redundantly, you can reuse it using a WINDOW
declaration, which goes between the WHERE and the ORDER BY.
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
CUSTOMER_ID,
ORDER DATE,
PRODUCT ID,
QUANTITY,
MIN(QUANTITY) OVER(w) as MIN PRODUCT QTY ORDERED,
MAX(QUANTITY) OVER(w) as MAX_PRODUCT_QTY_ORDERED,
AVG(QUANTITY) OVER(w) as AVG PRODUCT QTY ORDERED
```

```
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER

WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'

WINDOW w AS (PARTITION BY PRODUCT_ID, CUSTOMER_ID)

ORDER BY CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID
```

#### **5.2 ORDER BY**

You can also use an ORDER BY in your window to only consider values that comparatively come before that record.

#### **5.2A USING ORDER BY**

For instance, you can get a ROLLING\_TOTAL of the QUANTITY by ordering by the ORDER DATE.

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
CUSTOMER_ID,
ORDER_DATE,
PRODUCT_ID,
QUANTITY,
SUM(QUANTITY) OVER (ORDER BY ORDER_DATE) AS ROLLING_QUANTITY
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'
ORDER BY CUSTOMER ORDER ID
```

Note you can precede the ORDER BY clause with a DESC keyword to window in the opposite direction.

#### **5.2B Ordering and Bounds**

Above, notice our example output has the same rolling total for all records on a given date. This is because the ORDER BY in a window function by default does a logical boundary, which in this case is the ORDER\_DATE. This means it is rolling up everything on that ORDER\_DATE and previous to it. A side effect is all records with the same ORDER\_DATE are going to get the same rolling total.

This is the default behavior our query did previously:

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
CUSTOMER_ID,
ORDER_DATE,
PRODUCT_ID,
OUANTITY,
```

```
SUM(QUANTITY) OVER (ORDER BY ORDER_DATE RANGE BETWEEN UNBOUNDED PRECEDING AND CURRENT ROW) AS ROLLING QUANTITY
```

FROM CUSTOMER ORDER

WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'

ORDER BY CUSTOMER\_ORDER\_ID

If you want to incrementally roll the quantity by each row's physical order (not logical order by the entire ORDER DATE), you can use ROWS BETWEEN instead of RANGE BETWEEN.

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
CUSTOMER_ID,
ORDER_DATE,
PRODUCT_ID,
QUANTITY,
SUM(OHANTITY) OVER (ORDER
```

SUM(QUANTITY) OVER (ORDER\_BY ORDER\_DATE ROWS BETWEEN UNBOUNDED PRECEDING AND CURRENT ROW) AS ROLLING\_QUANTITY

FROM CUSTOMER\_ORDER

WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'

ORDER BY CUSTOMER ORDER ID

Note the AND CURRENT ROW is a default, so you can shorthand it like this:

SUM(QUANTITY) OVER (ORDER BY ORDER\_DATE ROWS UNBOUNDED PRECEDING) AS ROLLING QUANTITY

In this particular example, you could have avoided using a physical boundary by specifying your window with an ORDER BY CUSTOMER\_ORDER\_ID. But we covered the previous strategy anyway to see how to execute physical boundaries. Here is an excellent overview of windowing functions and bounds: http://mysqlserverteam.com/mysql-8-0-2-introducing-window-functions/

# **5.3 Mixing PARTITION BY / ORDER BY**

We can combine the PARTITION BY / ORDER BY to create rolling aggregations partitioned on certain fields.

#### **5.3A Simple MAX over PARITION and ORDER BY**

For example, for each record we can get the max quantity ordered up to that date

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
CUSTOMER_ID,
ORDER_DATE,
PRODUCT_ID,
QUANTITY,
MAX(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT_ID, CUSTOMER_ID ORDER BY ORDER_DATE)
```

```
as MAX TO DATE PRODUCT QTY
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'
ORDER BY CUSTOMER ORDER ID
5.3B Rolling Total Quantity by PRODUCT ID, with physical boundary
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
ORDER DATE,
CUSTOMER ID,
PRODUCT_ID,
QUANTITY,
SUM(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT ID ORDER BY ORDER DATE ROWS UNBOUNDED
PRECEDING) as total_qty_for_customer_and_product
FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
WHERE ORDER DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'
You need to be very careful mixing PARITITION BY with an ORDER BY that uses a physical
boundary! If you sort the results, it can get confusing very quickly because you lose that
physical ordered context.
SELECT CUSTOMER ORDER ID,
ORDER_DATE,
CUSTOMER ID,
PRODUCT ID,
QUANTITY,
SUM(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY PRODUCT ID ORDER BY ORDER DATE) as
total qty for product
FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'
```

# **5.4 Rolling Windows**

**ORDER BY ORDER DATE** 

You can also use movable windows to create moving aggregations. For instance, you can create a six-row rolling average (3 rows before, 3 rows after).

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,
CUSTOMER_ID,
ORDER_DATE,
PRODUCT_ID,
QUANTITY,
AVG(QUANTITY) OVER (ORDER BY ORDER_DATE ROWS BETWEEN 3 PRECEDING AND 3
FOLLOWING) AS ROLLING_AVG
```

```
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER

WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'

ORDER BY CUSTOMER ORDER ID
```

#### 5.4 LEAD and LAG

Two highly useful windowing functions are LEAD() and LAG(), which retrieves the previous or next value within a defined window.

For example, to simply retrive the previous quantity ordered in a table by ORDER\_DATE, we can use the LAG() function like this.

```
SELECT *,
LAG (QUANTITY, 1, 0) OVER (ORDER BY ORDER_DATE) AS PREV_QTY
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER

LAG() will retrieve the quantity of the next record on that ordering.

SELECT *,
LEAD (QUANTITY, 1, 0) OVER (ORDER BY ORDER_DATE) AS NEXT_QTY

FROM CUSTOMER ORDER
```

You can also use LEAD() and LAG() with a PARTIION BY, making it possible to silo the previous quantity only within records that share each given record's PRODUCT\_ID and CUSTOMER\_ID.

```
SELECT *,
LAG (QUANTITY, 1, 0) OVER (PARTITION BY PRODUCT_ID, CUSTOMER_ID ORDER BY
ORDER_DATE) AS NEXT_QTY

FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER

ORDER BY CUSTOMER ORDER ID
```

# 5.5 Ranking with ROW\_NUMBER()

The ROW NUMBER() function can be highly helpful with windowing functions to rank items.

For example, say I wanted to get the top 3 selling PRODUCTs by CUSTOMER. I can use a ROW\_NUMBER() function to assign a ranking number to each sorted quantity by CUSTOMER\_ID and PRODUCT\_ID. Then I can filter for only the first three items.

```
WITH TOTAL_QTYS AS (
SELECT CUSTOMER_ID, PRODUCT_ID, SUM(QUANTITY) AS TOTAL_QTY
FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER
GROUP BY 1,2
```

```
PRODUCT_SALES_BY_CUSTOMER AS (
    SELECT CUSTOMER_ID, PRODUCT_ID, TOTAL_QTY,
    ROW_NUMBER() OVER (PARTITION BY CUSTOMER_ID ORDER BY TOTAL_QTY DESC) AS
RANKING
    FROM TOTAL_QTYS
)
SELECT * FROM PRODUCT_SALES_BY_CUSTOMER
WHERE RANKING <= 3</pre>
```

Note if you want identical values to receive the same ranking, use the RANK() function instead of row\_number(). Use DENSE\_RANK() if you want to force the values to be consecutive rather than dupes causing ranks to be skipped.

#### **EXERCISE**

For the month of March, bring in the rolling sum of quantity ordered (up to each ORDER\_DATE) by CUSTOMER\_ID and PRODUCT\_ID.

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID,

ORDER_DATE,

CUSTOMER_ID,

PRODUCT_ID,

QUANTITY,

SUM(QUANTITY) OVER(PARTITION BY CUSTOMER_ID, PRODUCT_ID ORDER BY ORDER_DATE)

as total_qty_for_customer_and_product

FROM CUSTOMER_ORDER

WHERE ORDER_DATE BETWEEN '2017-03-01' AND '2017-03-31'

ORDER BY CUSTOMER_ORDER_ID
```

# Section VI - SQL with Python, R, and Java

# **6.1A Using SQL with Python**

When doing SQL with Python, you want to use SQLAlchemy. Below, we query and loop through the CUSTOMER table which is returned as an iteration of Tuples:

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine, text
engine = create_engine('sqlite:///thunderbird_manufacturing.db')
conn = engine.connect()

stmt = text("SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER")
results = conn.execute(stmt)
```

```
for r in results:
    print(r)
```

# **6.1B Using SQL with Python**

You can package up interactions with a database into helper functions. Below, we create a function called get\_all\_customers() which returns the results as a List of tuples:

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine, text
engine = create_engine('sqlite:///thunderbird_manufacturing.db')
conn = engine.connect()

def get_all_customers():
    stmt = text("SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER")
    return list(conn.execute(stmt))

print(get_all_customers())
```

# **6.1C Using SQL with Python**

If you want to pass parameters to a query, mind to not insert parameters directly so you don't accidentally introduce SQL injection. Below, we create a helper function that retrieves a customer for a given ID from a database.

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine, text

engine = create_engine('sqlite:///thunderbird_manufacturing.db')
conn = engine.connect()

def get_all_customers():
    stmt = text("SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER")
    return list(conn.execute(stmt))

def customer_for_id(customer_id):
    stmt = text("SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER WHERE CUSTOMER_ID = :id")
    return conn.execute(stmt, id=customer_id).first()

print(customer_for_id(3))
```

# 6.1D Using SQL with Pandas

Using SQL with Pandas is pretty straightforward. Use Pandas' read\_sql\_query() function to query from a connection object and turn it into a DataFrame.

```
import pandas as pd
import sqlite3

conn = sqlite3.connect('thunderbird_manufacturing.db')
data_frame_from_sql = pd.read_sql_query("SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER", conn)
print(data_frame_from_sql)
```

# 6.2 Using SQL with R

Here is how to run a SQL query in R, and save the results to a matrix.

```
setwd('c:\\my_folder')
library(DBI)
library(RSQLite)

db <- dbConnect(SQLite(), dbname='thunderbird_manufacturing.db')

my_query <- dbSendQuery(db, "SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER")

my_data <- dbFetch(my_query, n = -1)

dbClearResult(my_query)

print(my_data)

remove(my_query)
dbDisconnect(db)</pre>
```

You can get detailed information on how to work with R and SQL in the official DBI documentation: \* DBI Interface: https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/DBI/index.html \* DBI PDF: https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/DBI/DBI.pdf

# 6-3 Using SQL with Java/Scala/Kotlin

There are many solutions to make a Java, Scala, or Kotlin application work with a database. The vanilla way we will learn is to use JDBC (Java Database Connection).

Keep in mind there are many solutions and libraries that abstract away SQL operations, which can be good or bad depending on how much control you want to maintain:

- Hibernate ORM technology that's been around since 2001 and has a mature implementation. However, Hibernate is notorious for its strange loading mechanisms, and can be a hindrance if you want to maintain control of how and when data is loaded from a database.
- j00Q A more modern (but commercial) ORM that fluently allows working with databases in a type-safe manner.

• Speedment - Another fast turnaround, fluent API that compiles pure Java code from table schemas to work with databases.

If you are going to go the vanilla JDBC route, it is a good idea to use a connection pool so you can persist and reuse several connections safely in a multithreaded environment. HikariCP is a leading option to achieve this and provides an optimal DataSource implementation, which is Java's recommended interface for a database connection pool.

A helpful resource to learning how to work with JDBC is Jenkov's in-depth tutorial: http://tutorials.jenkov.com/jdbc/index.html

## 6.3A - Selecting Data with JDBC and HikariCP

To connect to a database using JDBC and HikariCP, you will need the appropriate JDBC drivers for your database platform (e.g. SQLite) as well as Hikari-CP.

```
dependencies {
  compile 'org.xerial:sqlite-jdbc:3.19.3'
  compile 'com.zaxxer:HikariCP:2.6.3'
  compile 'org.slf4j:slf4j-simple:1.7.25'
}
```

Below, we create a simple Java application that creates a Hikari data source with a minimum of 1 connection and a maximum of 5. Then we create a query and loop through it's ResultSet.

```
import com.zaxxer.hikari.HikariConfig;
import com.zaxxer.hikari.HikariDataSource;
import java.sql.Connection;
import java.sql.ResultSet;
import java.sql.Statement;
public class JavaLauncher {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        try {
            HikariConfig config = new HikariConfig();
config.setJdbcUrl("jdbc:sqlite:/c:/git/oreilly_advanced_sql_for_data/thunderb
ird manufacturing.db");
            config.setMinimumIdle(1);
            config.setMaximumPoolSize(5);
            HikariDataSource ds = new HikariDataSource(config);
            Connection conn = ds.getConnection();
            Statement stmt = conn.createStatement();
```

# **6.3B Passing parameters**

If you need to pass parameters to your SQL query, avoid concatenating the values into the SQL string otherwise you will put your application at risk for SQL injection. Instead, use a PreparedStatement to safely inject the parameters:

```
import com.zaxxer.hikari.HikariConfig;
import com.zaxxer.hikari.HikariDataSource;
import java.sql.Connection;
import java.sql.PreparedStatement;
import java.sql.ResultSet;
public class JavaLauncher {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        try {
            HikariConfig config = new HikariConfig();
config.setJdbcUrl("jdbc:sqlite:/c:/git/oreilly advanced sql for data/thunderb
ird manufacturing.db");
            config.setMinimumIdle(1);
            config.setMaximumPoolSize(5);
            HikariDataSource ds = new HikariDataSource(config);
            Connection conn = ds.getConnection();
            // Create a PreparedStatement and populate parameter
            PreparedStatement stmt = conn.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM
CUSTOMER WHERE CUSTOMER ID = ?");
            stmt.setInt(1,3);
```

## 6-3C Writing Data

You can also use a PreparedStatement to execute updates against the database. The PreparedStatement has more advanced features like batching to write large volumes of data, but here is how to insert a single record.

```
import com.zaxxer.hikari.HikariConfig;
import com.zaxxer.hikari.HikariDataSource;
import java.math.BigDecimal;
import java.sql.Connection;
import java.sql.PreparedStatement;
public class JavaLauncher {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        try {
            HikariConfig config = new HikariConfig();
config.setJdbcUrl("jdbc:sqlite:/c:/git/oreilly_advanced_sql_for_data/thunderb
ird manufacturing.db");
            config.setMinimumIdle(1);
            config.setMaximumPoolSize(5);
           HikariDataSource ds = new HikariDataSource(config);
            Connection conn = ds.getConnection();
            // Create a PreparedStatement and populate parameter
            PreparedStatement stmt =
                    conn.prepareStatement("INSERT INTO PRODUCT
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(PRODUCT_NAME,PRODUCT_GROUP,PRICE) VALUES (?,?,?)");

    stmt.setString(1,"Kry Kall");
    stmt.setString(2,"BETA");
    stmt.setBigDecimal(3, BigDecimal.valueOf(35.0));

    stmt.executeUpdate();

    //release connection back to pool
    conn.close();

    } catch (Exception e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}
```