
Advanced SQL

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Assignment 4

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1. [10 Points] What type are you?

Consider the following SQL query with embedded values:

```
SELECT p.a, p.b * 2, p.c, p.d, p.e, p.f
FROM   (VALUES
  (1, '2'::money, 4, 41+1::real, 1::real, NULL),
  (2, '5.72', 1.32, 2, 2, NULL),
  (3, '2'::money, 5.77, 3, 3, NULL)
) AS p(a,b,c,d,e,f)
WHERE  p.c < 5.5;
```

Extract the **FROM**-clause of this query into a permanent table P using the DDL (i.e.: **CREATE TABLE**) and DML (i.e.: **INSERT**). Then, run the following query derived from the query above. It must yield the same **exact** results.

```
SELECT p.a, p.b * 2, p.c, p.d, p.e, p.f
FROM   p AS p
WHERE  p.c < 5.5;
```

Hint: Types can be determined in PostgreSQL by using `pg_typeof(...)`¹.

2. [20 Points] Magic the JSONing

We provided you with a compressed JSON file `AllCards.json.zip` which encodes a list of cards for a popular collectible card game. The format of this JSON file is well documented in `mtj-doc.html`.

- (a) To load the data from the JSON file into your database, follow these steps: First, extract `AllCards.json` from `AllCards.json.zip`. Then, load the JSON file into a **temporary** table `allcards_json` defined as follows:

```
CREATE TABLE allcards_json (
  data json
);

\copy allcards_json FROM 'path/to/AllCards.json/here';
```

Next, define a permanent table `mtj`:

```
CREATE TABLE mtj (
  name      text PRIMARY KEY,
  mana_cost text,
  cmc       numeric,
  type      text,
  text      text,
  power     text,
  toughness text
);
```

¹<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/12/functions-info.html#FUNCTIONS-INFO-CATALOG-TABLE>

Finally, write a SQL query which uses the JSON format of table `allcards_json` to populate table `mtj` with its respective values.

After completing these steps, write SQL queries using the now populated table `mtj`:

- (b) List the cards with minimum and maximum `cmc` value. Disregard cards with a `cmc` value of 0 or less.
- (c) List how many cards exist with `type` `Enchantment` excluding cards of type `Enchantment-Aura`.
- (d) List the first five cards with the highest `cmc`. The listed cards should satisfy the following predicates: `Power` or `toughness` are greater than 14 or `power` is less than `toughness`. Ignore cards with `power` or `toughness` containing the character `*`.
- (e) List how many cards exist with `mana_cost` of **exactly** one, two or three {U}.
- (f) For **this task only** write two SQL queries. One using `mtj` and another accessing the JSON data structure in `allcards_json` directly. List the names of all cards where the text contains `Recover` while having a `CMC` of 2 or lower. For both query variants, the result will be a table whose single cell holds a JSON array containing JSON objects. Each JSON object has exactly one field `name` where the name of the card is recorded:

[{"name": "Card1"}, {"name": "Card2"}, ...]

Note: Make use of the many built-in JSON functions² to keep your queries simple.

²<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/12/functions-json.html>