AltSchool of Data Engineering

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Project Overview: E-Commerce Database Management and Analysis

This project will test your SQL knowledge, from database design and CRUD operations to advanced concepts like joins, aggregation, indexing, and optimization. The project involves designing a relational database for an e-commerce platform, performing data manipulations, and extracting meaningful insights using SQL queries.

Your task is to design, implement, and query an SQL database for a fictional e-commerce platform. The database will include tables for customers, products, orders, and order_items. You will perform data operations, write queries to answer analytical questions, and demonstrate optimization techniques.

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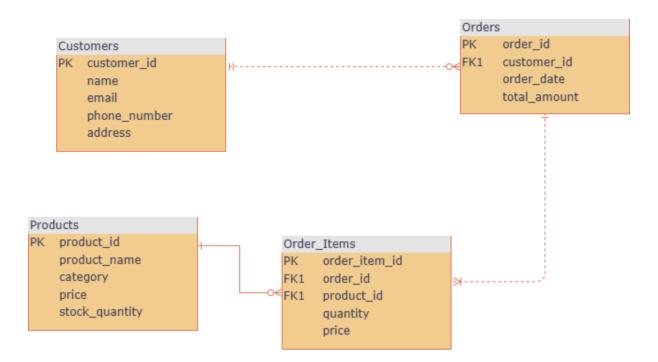
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Schema Design and Explanation



Below is a breakdown of the relationships specified in the schema:

1. Customers → Orders (One-to-Many)

- A *customer_id* in the **Customers** table can have zero or more corresponding *order_id* entries in the **Orders** table.
- This relationship is appropriate since a single customer can place multiple orders.

2. Orders → Order Items (One-to-Many)

- An *order_id* in the **Orders** table can have multiple corresponding *order_item_id* entries in the **Order_Items** table.
- This relationship is logical because each order can consist of multiple items.

3. Products → Order Items (One-to-Many)

- A *product_id* in the **Products** table can have zero or more corresponding *order_item_id* entries in the **Order_Items** table.
- This is also correct since a single product can be part of multiple orders.

4. Orders ← Customers (Foreign Key Relationship)

• The *customer_id* in the **Orders** table is a foreign key referencing the **Customers** table. This ensures that each order is linked to a valid customer.

5. Order Items ↔ Orders (Foreign Key Relationship)

• The *order_id* in the **Order_Items** table is a foreign key referencing the **Orders** table. This ensures each order item belongs to a valid order.

6. Order_Items ↔ Products (Foreign Key Relationship)

• The *product_id* in the **Order_Items** table is a foreign key referencing the **Products** table. This ensures each order item is linked to a valid product.

The **cardinality** of each relationship:

- A customer can have zero or more orders.
- An order can have one or more items.
- A product can be part of zero or more orders.

CRUD Operations

1. Add a new customer to the database

```
INSERT INTO customers (name, email, phone_number, address) VALUES
('Dele Linus', 'sirdele@gmail.com', '(234) 81450-48825', '12 Famakin Olajiire,
Fashina, Osun State, 22010');
```

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	('Dele Linus', 'sirdele@gmail.com', '(234) 81450-48825', '12 Famakin Olajiire, Fashina, Osun State, 22010')	
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Figure 2: Adding a new customer to the database

2. Update the stock quantity of a product after a purchase.

```
UPDATE
SET
    stock quantity = stock_quantity - COALESCE((
        SELECT
             SUM(oi.quantity)
        FROM
             order_items oi
        WHERE
             AND oi.order id = 10
WHERE
        SELECT DISTINCT(product_id)
        FROM order items
        WHERE order id = 10
    AND stock_quantity >= COALESCE((
        SELECT
             SUM(oi.quantity)
        FROM order_items oi
        WHERE oi.product_id = products.product_id
AND oi.order_id = 10
    ), 0);
```

```
Statistics 1 ×
Query
              UPDATE
                 products
                 stock_quantity = stock_quantity - COALESCE((
                   SELECT
                     SUM(oi.quantity)
                   FROM
                     order_items oi
                   WHERE
                     oi.product_id = products.product_id
                     AND oi.order_id = 10
               WHERE
                 products.product_id IN (
                   SELECT DISTINCT(product_id)
                   FROM order_items
                   WHERE order_id = 10
                 AND stock_quantity >= COALESCE((
                   SELECT
                     SUM(oi.quantity)
                   FROM order_items oi
                   WHERE oi.product_id = products.product_id
                    AND oi.order_id = 10
                 ), 0)
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Figure 3: Updating the stock quantity of a product after a purchase

3. Delete an order from the database.

DELETE FROM orders WHERE order_id = 10; -- it will be deleted IN ordered_items AS well since it was CASCADED during definition

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Figure 4: Deleting order with id 10 from the database

4. Retrieve all orders made by a specific customer.

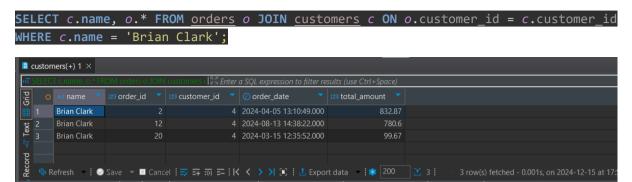
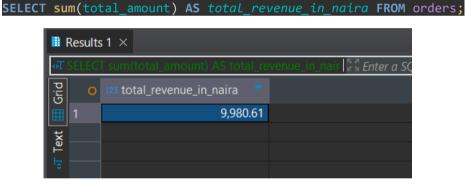


Figure 5: Retrieving all orders made by Brian Clark

Analytical Queries

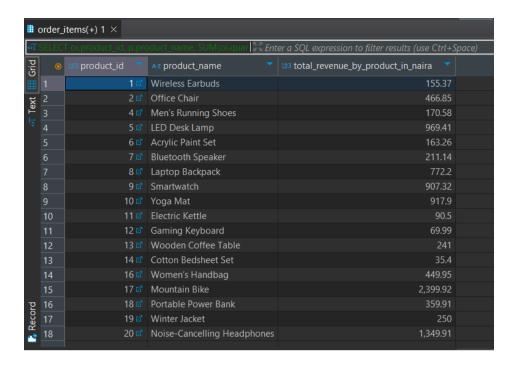
1. Revenue Analysis:

• Calculate the total revenue generated by the e-commerce platform.



The total revenue generated by the platform was calculated using the **SUM(total_amount)** query from the **orders** table and it was 9,980.61 Naira.

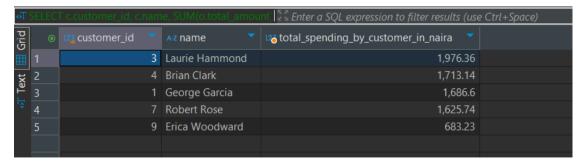
• Find the revenue generated per product



A breakdown of revenue by product revealed how specific items contributed to overall earnings, with ORDER BY used to rank products.

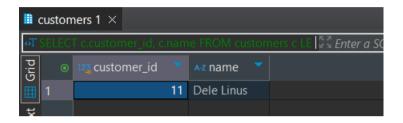
2. Customer Insights:

• List the top 5 customers by total spending.



The analusis identified the top 5 customers by their total spending, using SUM(total_amount) grouped by customer_id and ranked in descending order.

Identify customers who haven't made any purchases.

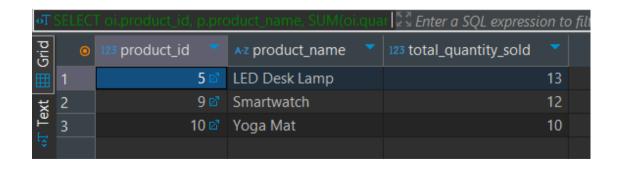


"Dele Linus" who haven't placed any orders was identified through a LEFT JOIN.

3. Product Trends:

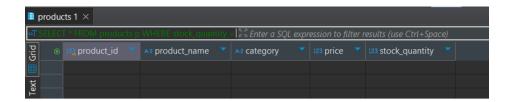
• Find the top 3 best-selling products.

The top 3 best-selling products were highlighted by summing quantities sold from the order_items table and ranking products by sales volume.



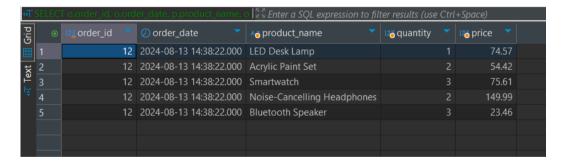
• Identify products that are out of stock.

SELECT * **FROM** products p WHERE stock quantity = 0;



4. Order Details:

• Retrieve all items in a specific order, including product names, quantities, and prices.



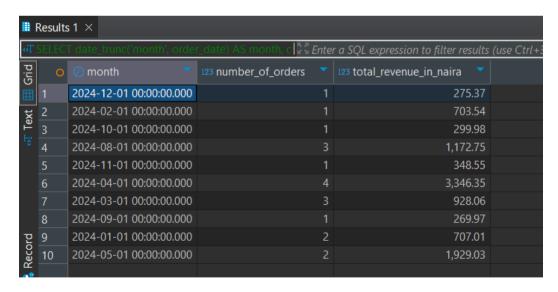
Calculate the total amount of an order.



5. Monthly Trends:

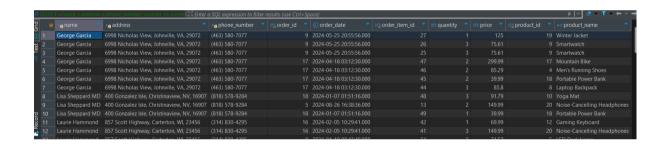
• Calculate the number of orders and total revenue for each month.

This analyzed the orders and revenue trends monthly, using date_trunc('month') to group by months, providing insights into seasonality and sales patterns.

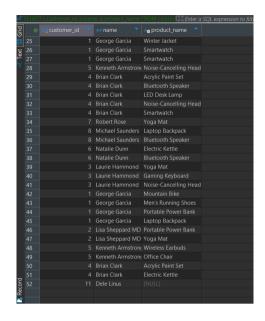


Analytical Queries

- 1. Joins: Write queries using INNER JOIN, LEFT JOIN, and FULL JOIN to retrieve data across multiple tables
 - Using INNER JOIN to return only customers that ordered and details of their ordered items



• Using LEFT JOIN to return customers and products they ordered whether or not they made an order

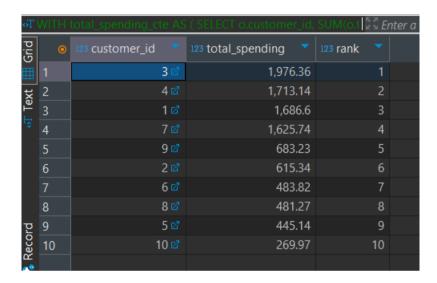


• Using FULL JOIN to return customers and products whether or not they are matched in orders.



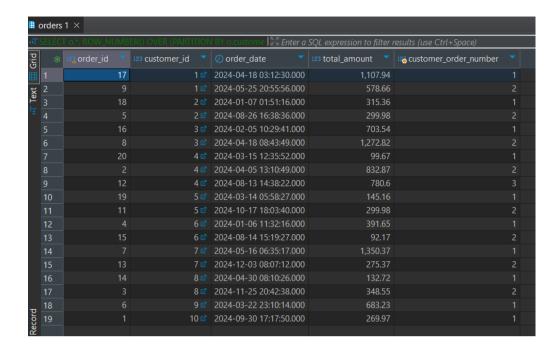
2. Window Functions:

• Use RANK() to rank customers based on their total spending



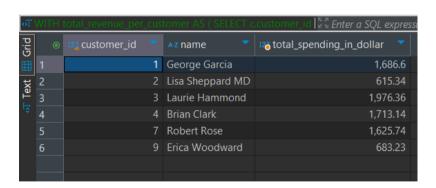
• Use ROW_NUMBER() to assign a unique number to each order for a customer

```
SELECT
     o.*, ROW_NUMBER() OVER (PARTITION BY o.customer_id
ORDER BY o.order_date) AS customer_order_number
FROM orders o;
```



3. CTEs and Subqueries:

• Use a Common Table Expression (CTE) to calculate the total revenue per customer, then find the customers with revenue greater than \$500.



• Write a subquery to find the product with the highest price.

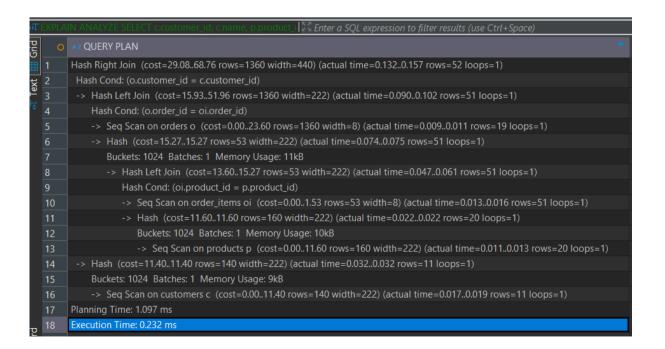
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SELECT p.* FROM products p WHERE p.price = (
    SELECT max(p2.price) FROM products p2);
```



4. Indexing: Create indexes on frequently queried fields (e.g., customer_id, product_id) and demonstrate their impact on query performance.

Indexing foreign keys (customer_id, product_id, order_id) improved query performance significantly, demonstrated through EXPLAIN ANALYZE before and after indexing.

• Performance before Indexing



• Indexing the foreign keys.

```
--Add indexes to foreign keys to optimize query performance.
CREATE INDEX idx_orders_customer_id ON Orders(customer_id);
CREATE INDEX idx_order_items_order_id ON Order_Items(order_id);
CREATE INDEX idx_order_items_product_id ON Order_Items(product_id);
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CREATE INDEX idx_order_items_order_id ON Order_Items(order_id);
CREATE INDEX idx_order_items_product_id ON Order_Items(product_id)

Updated Rows
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```

• Performance after indexing.

```
EXPLAIN ANALYZE SELECT

c.customer_id, c.name, p.product_name

FROM

customers c

LEFT JOIN orders o ON

(C.customer_id = 0.customer_id)

LEFT JOIN order_items oi ON

(o.order_id = oi.order_id)

LEFT JOIN products p ON

(oi.product_id = p.product_id);
```



It could be seen that the **execution time** and **cost** all got lower after indexing

5. Optimization:

• Analyze query performance using EXPLAIN or EXPLAIN ANALYZE.

```
EXPLAIN ANALYZE SELECT c.* FROM customers c WHERE c.name LIKE 'Dele%';
```

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Seq Scan on customers c (cost=0.00..11.75 rows=1 width=530) (actual time=0.019..0.019 rows=1 loops=1)

Filter: ((name)::text ~~ 'Dele%'::text)

Rows Removed by Filter: 10
Planning Time: 0.081 ms

Execution Time: 0.030 ms
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The node type being **sequential scan** means the engine scanned through all rows to find the one that fulfilled the filter condition.

The **estimated costs** and **actual costs** seems to no align, as the actual costs appeared very far from the estimated costs.

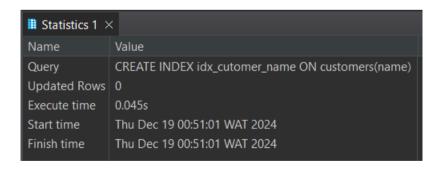
There's only one **row** that fulfilled the query condition, while 10 rows were filtered out by the condition.

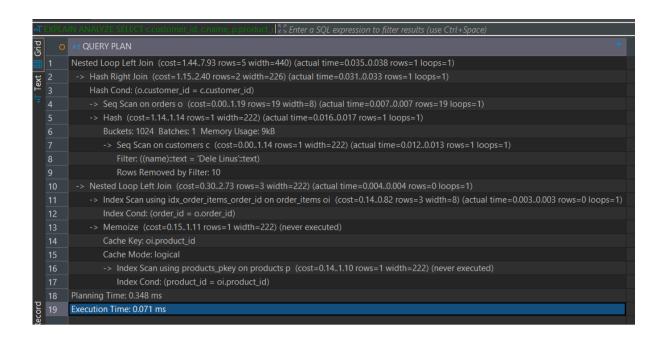
The time it took the query to run (**execution time**) was 0.030 milliseconds.

 Optimize slow queries by adjusting indexes, reordering joins, or rewriting the query.

Index would be made on the name column where filter will be made.

CREATE INDEX idx_cutomer_name ON customers(name);





It could be seen from the EXPLAIN ANALYZE result screenshot above that, filters and joins were done using index scan, which shows an optimization in the query performance.