AND and OR Conjunctive Operators

The PostgreSQL **AND** and **OR** operators are used to combine multiple conditions to narrow down selected data in a PostgreSQL statement. These two operators are called conjunctive operators.

These operators provide a means to make multiple comparisons with different operators in the same PostgreSQL statement.

The AND Operator

The **AND** operator allows the existence of multiple conditions in a PostgreSQL statement's WHERE clause. While using AND operator, complete condition will be assumed true when all the conditions are true. For example [condition1] AND [condition2] will be true only when both condition1 and condition2 are true.

Syntax

The basic syntax of AND operator with WHERE clause is as follows -

```
SELECT column1, column2, columnN
FROM table_name
WHERE [condition1] AND [condition2]...AND [conditionN];
```

You can combine N number of conditions using AND operator. For an action to be taken by the PostgreSQL statement, whether it be a transaction or query, all conditions separated by the AND must be TRUE.

Example

Consider the table COMPANY having records as follows –

```
testdb# select * from COMPANY;
 id | name | age | address
                            salary
 1 | Paul | 32 | California
                               20000
 2 | Allen | 25 | Texas
                               15000
 3 | Teddy | 23 | Norway
                               20000
 4 | Mark | 25 | Rich-Mond | 65000
 5 | David | 27 | Texas
                            85000
              22 | South-Hall | 45000
 6 Kim
 7 James 24 Houston
                               10000
(7 rows)
```

The following SELECT statement lists down all the records where AGE is greater than or equal to 25 **AND** salary is greater than or equal to 65000.00 –

```
testdb=# SELECT * FROM COMPANY WHERE AGE >= 25 AND SALARY >= 65000;
```

The above given PostgreSQL statement will produce the following result –

The OR Operator

The OR operator is also used to combine multiple conditions in a PostgreSQL statement's WHERE clause. While using OR operator, complete condition will be assumed true when at least any of the conditions is true. For example [condition1] OR [condition2] will be true if either condition1 or condition2 is true.

Syntax

The basic syntax of OR operator with WHERE clause is as follows -

```
SELECT column1, column2, columnN
FROM table_name
WHERE [condition1] OR [condition2]...OR [conditionN]
```

You can combine N number of conditions using OR operator. For an action to be taken by the PostgreSQL statement, whether it be a transaction or query, only any ONE of the conditions separated by the OR must be TRUE.

Example

Consider the COMPANY table, having the following records –

```
# select * from COMPANY;
 id | name | age | address
                           salary
  1 | Paul | 32 | California
                             20000
             25 Texas
  2 Allen
                             15000
  3 Teddy
             23 Norway
                             20000
             25 | Rich-Mond |
 4 Mark
                             65000
  5 David
             27 Texas
                             85000
```

```
6 | Kim | 22 | South-Hall | 45000
7 | James | 24 | Houston | 10000
(7 rows)
```

The following SELECT statement lists down all the records where AGE is greater than or equal to 25 **OR** salary is greater than or equal to 65000.00 –

```
testdb=# SELECT * FROM COMPANY WHERE AGE >= 25 OR SALARY >= 65000;
```

The above given PostgreSQL statement will produce the following result -