# # [ SQL for Data Science ] {CheatSheet}

### 1. Basic Data Exploration

- View All Tables: SHOW TABLES;
- Preview Table Structure: DESCRIBE table\_name;
- Select Entire Table: SELECT \* FROM table\_name;
- Select Specific Columns: SELECT column1, column2 FROM table\_name;
- Count Total Records: SELECT COUNT(\*) FROM table\_name;

### 2. Data Filtering and Sorting

- Filter Rows with Conditions: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE condition:
- Sort Data: SELECT \* FROM table\_name ORDER BY column ASC/DESC;
- Filter and Sort Combined: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE condition ORDER BY column;
- Limiting Results: SELECT \* FROM table\_name LIMIT number;
- Filter with Multiple Conditions: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE condition1 AND/OR condition2;

### 3. Aggregation Functions

- Calculate Average: SELECT AVG(column) FROM table\_name;
- Sum α Column: SELECT SUM(column) FROM table\_name;
- Find Maximum/Minimum Value: SELECT MAX(column), MIN(column) FROM table\_name:
- Count Distinct Values: SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT column) FROM table\_name;
- Group By Aggregations: SELECT column, COUNT(\*), AVG(column) FROM table\_name GROUP BY column;

#### 4. Advanced Aggregations

• Using GROUP BY with Conditions: SELECT column, SUM(column) FROM table\_name GROUP BY column HAVING condition;



- Rollup for Subtotals: SELECT column1, column2, SUM(column3) FROM table\_name GROUP BY column1, column2 WITH ROLLUP;
- CUBE for Cross-Tabulation: SELECT column1, column2, SUM(column3) FROM table\_name GROUP BY CUBE (column1, column2);
- Window Functions (e.g., Running Total): SELECT column, SUM(column) OVER (ORDER BY column) FROM table\_name;
- Ranking within Group: SELECT column, RANK() OVER (PARTITION BY column1 ORDER BY column2) FROM table\_name;

### 5. Join Operations

- Inner Join Between Tables: SELECT \* FROM table1 INNER JOIN table2 ON table1.common\_column = table2.common\_column;
- Left Join (Including Unmatched Rows): SELECT \* FROM table1 LEFT JOIN table2 ON table1.common\_column = table2.common\_column;
- Right Join: SELECT \* FROM table1 RIGHT JOIN table2 ON table1.common\_column = table2.common\_column;
- Full Outer Join: SELECT \* FROM table1 FULL OUTER JOIN table2 ON table1.common\_column = table2.common\_column;
- Self Join for Hierarchical Data: SELECT t1.column, t2.column FROM table t1 INNER JOIN table t2 ON t1.id = t2.parent\_id;

## 6. Subqueries and Nested Queries

- Subquery in WHERE Clause: SELECT \* FROM table WHERE column IN (SELECT column FROM another\_table);
- Subquery in FROM Clause: SELECT \* FROM (SELECT \* FROM table) subquery;
- Subquery in SELECT Clause: SELECT column, (SELECT COUNT(\*) FROM another\_table) FROM table;
- Correlated Subqueries: SELECT \* FROM table1 t1 WHERE EXISTS (SELECT \* FROM table2 t2 WHERE t1.id = t2.foreign\_id);
- Common Table Expressions (WITH Clause): WITH cte AS (SELECT \* FROM table) SELECT \* FROM cte;

# 7. String Manipulation

- Concatenate Strings: SELECT CONCAT(string1, ' ', string2) FROM table\_name;
- Substring Extraction: SELECT SUBSTRING(string\_column, start, length) FROM table\_name;
- Replace Text in a String: SELECT REPLACE(string\_column, 'old', 'new') FROM table\_name;
- Change String Case: SELECT UPPER(string\_column), LOWER(string\_column) FROM table\_name;
- Trimming Whitespace: SELECT TRIM(string\_column) FROM table\_name;

### 8. Working with Dates

- Selecting Data in a Date Range: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE date\_column BETWEEN 'start\_date' AND 'end\_date';
- Extract Year, Month, Day: SELECT YEAR(date\_column), MONTH(date\_column), DAY(date\_column) FROM table\_name;
- Date Formatting: SELECT DATE\_FORMAT(date\_column, '%Y-%m-%d') FROM table\_name;
- Calculating Age from Birthdate: SELECT DATEDIFF(CURDATE(), birthdate\_column) FROM table\_name;
- Time Difference between Dates: SELECT TIMEDIFF(date1, date2) FROM table\_name;

# 9. Data Analysis Techniques

- Finding Percentiles: SELECT PERCENTILE\_CONT(0.5) WITHIN GROUP (ORDER BY column) FROM table\_name;
- Linear Regression via SQL: SELECT REGR\_SLOPE(y, x), REGR\_INTERCEPT(y, x) FROM table\_name;
- Correlation Coefficient: SELECT CORR(column1, column2) FROM table\_name;
- Covariance: SELECT COVAR\_POP(column1, column2) FROM table\_name;
- Histogram Bin Analysis: SELECT WIDTH\_BUCKET(numeric\_column, min, max, num\_buckets) FROM table\_name;

# 10. Conditional Logic and Case Statements

- CASE Statement: SELECT CASE WHEN condition THEN result1 ELSE result2 END FROM table\_name;
- IF Stαtement: SELECT IF(condition, value\_if\_true, value\_if\_false) FROM table\_name;
- NULL Handling (IFNULL, COALESCE): SELECT COALESCE(column, 'default\_value') FROM table\_name;
- Conditional Aggregation: SELECT column, SUM(CASE WHEN condition THEN value ELSE 0 END) FROM table\_name GROUP BY column;

#### 11. Data Cleaning and Preparation

- Removing Duplicates: SELECT DISTINCT \* FROM table\_name;
- Replacing NULLs with Default Value: SELECT IFNULL(column, 'default\_value') FROM table\_name;
- Standardize String Format: SELECT UPPER(TRIM(column)) FROM table\_name:
- Handling Missing Data: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE column IS NOT NULL;
- Flagging Data Anomalies: SELECT \*, CASE WHEN column NOT IN (expected\_values) THEN 'anomaly' ELSE 'ok' END FROM table\_name;

#### 12. Advanced Data Filtering

- Using LIKE for Pattern Matching: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE column LIKE '%pattern%';
- Filtering with Regular Expressions: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE column REGEXP 'regexp\_pattern';
- Filtering with IN for Multiple Values: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE column IN ('value1', 'value2');
- Complex Conditions Using AND, OR, NOT: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE condition1 AND (condition2 OR condition3) NOT condition4;
- Range Queries with BETWEEN: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE column BETWEEN lower AND upper;

#### 13. Data Transformation

• Arithmetic Operations: SELECT column1 + column2, column1 \* column2 FROM table\_name:

- Data Type Conversion (CAST, CONVERT): SELECT CAST(column AS datatype) FROM table\_name;
- Normalization (e.g., Min-Max Scaling): SELECT (column -MIN(column)) / (MAX(column) - MIN(column)) FROM table\_name;
- Pivoting Data (CASE or PIVOT in some SQL dialects): SELECT SUM(CASE WHEN condition THEN value ELSE 0 END) FROM table\_name GROUP BY column;
- Unpivoting Data (UNPIVOT in some SQL dialects): SELECT \* FROM table\_name UNPIVOT(value FOR column IN (column1, column2));

### 14. Joining and Merging Data

- Join Multiple Tables: SELECT \* FROM table1 JOIN table2 ON table1.id = table2.id JOIN table3 ON table1.id = table3.id;
- Left Join with Filtering: SELECT \* FROM table1 LEFT JOIN table2 ON table1.id = table2.id WHERE table2.id IS NULL;
- Join Using Using Clause: SELECT \* FROM table1 JOIN table2 USING (common\_column);
- Join with Aggregate Functions: SELECT table1.column, AVG(table2.column) FROM table1 JOIN table2 ON table1.id = table2.id GROUP BY table1.column;
- Join with Subqueries: SELECT \* FROM table1 JOIN (SELECT id, COUNT(\*) FROM table2 GROUP BY id) sub ON table1.id = sub.id;

### 15. Advanced Subqueries

- Nested Subqueries: SELECT \* FROM (SELECT \* FROM (SELECT \* FROM table) sub1) sub2;
- Subquery as a Column: SELECT id, (SELECT COUNT(\*) FROM table2 WHERE table2.id = table1.id) AS count FROM table1;
- Using EXISTS in Subguery: SELECT \* FROM table1 WHERE EXISTS (SELECT \* FROM table2 WHERE table1.id = table2.id);

#### 16. Working with Arrays and JSON

- Query JSON Data: SELECT json\_column->>'\$.key' FROM table\_name;
- Expand JSON Array to Rows: SELECT json\_array\_elements\_text(json\_column) FROM table\_name;

#### 17. Handling Large Datasets

- Efficient Pagination with Keyset: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE id > last\_seen\_id ORDER BY id LIMIT page\_size;
- Query Partitioning for Parallel Processing: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE MOD(id, partition\_count) = partition\_index;

### 18. Data Import/Export

- Import Data from CSV: COPY table\_name FROM '/path/to/csv\_file.csv' DELIMITER ',' CSV;
- Export Data to CSV: COPY (SELECT \* FROM table\_name) TO '/path/to/csv\_file.csv' DELIMITER ',' CSV HEADER;

#### 19. Database and Schema Management

- Create New Schema: CREATE SCHEMA schema\_name;
- Set Default Schema: SET search\_path TO schema\_name;
- List All Schemas: SELECT schema name FROM information\_schema.schemata;

#### 20. Advanced String Functions

- Regular Expression Substring: SELECT REGEXP\_SUBSTR(string\_column, 'pattern') FROM table\_name;
- String Aggregation: SELECT STRING\_AGG(column, ', ') FROM table\_name GROUP BY group\_column;
- Split String into Array: SELECT STRING\_TO\_ARRAY(string\_column, delimiter) FROM table\_name;

#### 21. Geospatial Data Queries

- Calculate Distance Between Two Points: SELECT ST\_Distance(geom1, geom2) FROM table\_name;
- Find Points Within a Radius: SELECT \* FROM table\_name WHERE ST\_DWithin(geom, reference\_geom, radius);

#### 22. Time Series Data

- Time Series Aggregation: SELECT date\_trunc('hour', time\_column), SUM(value) FROM table\_name GROUP BY 1;
- Lag and Lead Functions: SELECT time\_column, value, LAG(value) OVER (ORDER BY time\_column), LEAD(value) OVER (ORDER BY time\_column) FROM table name:

#### 23. Advanced Analytics Functions

- Cumulative Distribution: SELECT value, CUME\_DIST() OVER (ORDER BY value) FROM table\_name;
- Percentile Calculation: SELECT PERCENTILE\_CONT(0.5) WITHIN GROUP (ORDER BY value) OVER () FROM table\_name;

### 24. Performance Optimization

- Using Materialized Views: CREATE MATERIALIZED VIEW view\_name AS SELECT \* FROM table\_name;
- Index Creation for Faster Queries: CREATE INDEX index\_name ON table\_name (column);

## 25. Dynamic SQL and Stored Procedures

- Execute Dynamic SQL: EXECUTE IMMEDIATE dynamic\_sql;
- Create and Call Stored Procedure: CREATE PROCEDURE procedure\_name AS BEGIN SQL\_statements END; CALL procedure\_name();

### 26. Data Anonymization

- Randomizing Sensitive Data: UPDATE table\_name SET column = RANDOM() \* range + offset WHERE condition;
- Masking Personal Data: UPDATE table\_name SET email = REGEXP\_REPLACE(email, '@.\*', '@example.com');

## 27. User and Access Management

• Create Database User: CREATE USER username WITH PASSWORD 'password':

• Grant Privileges to User: GRANT SELECT, INSERT ON table\_name TO username;

# 28. Query Logging and Audit

- Logging Queries for Audit: SET log\_statement = 'all';
- Review Query Logs: SELECT \* FROM pg\_stat\_activity WHERE query != '<IDLE>';