# Apply filters to SQL queries

### Project description

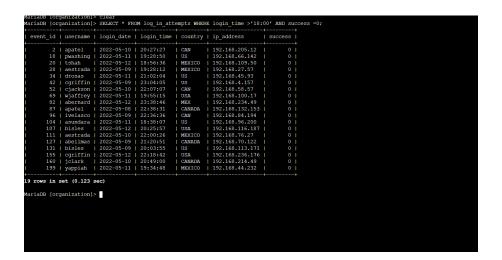
By using SQL, it became very much easier to filter out specific employee information. SQL provided a very time saving experience in filtering out machines that needed patch security updates.

To increase security, SQL provided necessary commands.

In short, accessing database to filter out any query became much easier compared to Linux or other filtering software.

#### Retrieve after hours failed login attempts

After investigating, query results show a total of 19 failed login attempts after 18:00 pm. SELECT \* FROM log\_in\_attempts WHERE login\_time > '18:00' AND success =0; The command selected all columns from log\_in\_attempts table, and filtered all failed login attempts after 6 pm.

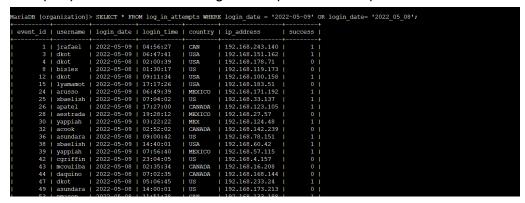


## Retrieve login attempts on specific dates

To find all login attempts that occurred on 2022-05-09 and a day before.

SELECT \* FROM log\_in\_attempts WHERE login\_date = '2022-05-09' OR login\_date= '2022\_05\_08';

This query filters table to find login attempts made on specific dates



#### Retrieve login attempts outside of Mexico

The team determined that the attack didn't originated from Mexico, So to filter out Mexico and investigate login attempts from other countries, we used this query.

SELECT \* FROM log\_in\_attempts WHERE NOT country LIKE 'MEX%';

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event_id	username	login_date	login_time		country	ip_address	success	
	jrafael	2022-05-09	04:56:27		CAN	192.168.243.140		
2	apatel	2022-05-10	20:27:27		CAN	192.168.205.12		
3	dkot	2022-05-09	06:47:41		USA	192.168.151.162		
4	dkot	2022-05-08	02:00:39		USA	192.168.178.71		
5 I	jrafael	2022-05-11	03:05:59		CANADA	192.168.86.232	1 0	
	eraab	2022-05-11	01:45:14		CAN	192.168.170.243		
8	bisles	2022-05-08	01:30:17		US	192.168.119.173		
10	jrafael	2022-05-12	09:33:19		CANADA	192.168.228.221		
11	sgilmore		10:16:29		CANADA	192.168.140.81	1 0	
12	dkot	2022-05-08	09:11:34		USA	192.168.100.158		
13	mrah	2022-05-11	09:29:34		USA	192.168.246.135		
14	sbaelish				US	192.168.16.99		
			17:17:26		USA	192.168.183.51		
16	mcouliba	2022-05-11			CAN	192.168.172.189		
17					USA	192.168.81.89		
	pwashing	2022-05-11	19:28:50		US	192.168.66.142		
19	jhill	2022-05-12	13:09:04		US	192.168.142.245		
21		2022-05-11	17:50:00		US	192.168.131.147		
25	sbaelish	2022-05-09	07:04:02		US	192.168.33.137		
26		2022-05-08	17:27:00		CANADA	192.168.123.105		
29	bisles	2022-05-11	01:21:22		US	192.168.85.186		
31	acook	2022-05-12	17:36:45		CANADA	192.168.58.232		
	acook	2022-05-09	02:52:02		CANADA	192.168.142.239		
33	zbernal	2022-05-11			US	192.168.72.59		
34	drosas	2022-05-11	21:02:04		US	192.168.45.93		
36	asundara	2022-05-08	09:00:42		US	192.168.78.151		
	eraab	2022-05-10	06:03:41		CANADA	192.168.152.148		
38	sbaelish	2022-05-09	14:40:01		USA	192.168.60.42		
	apatel	2022-05-10	17:39:42		CANADA	192.168.46.207		
	cgriffin		23:04:05		US	192.168.4.157		
	mcouliba	2022-05-08	02:35:34		CANADA	192.168.16.208		
44	daquino	2022-05-08	07:02:35		CANADA	192.168.168.144		
	dtanaka	2022-05-11	10:28:54		US	192.168.223.157		
46	eraab	2022-05-11	11:29:27		CAN	192.168.24.12		

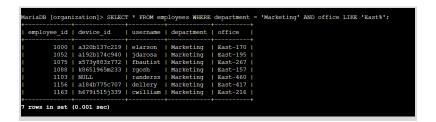
In this query we use condition operator NOT to filter out Mexico from country column and retrieve login attempts information from other Countries.

## Retrieve employees in Marketing

Team wants to perform security updates on specific employee machine in Marketing department. Therefore, we use query

SELECT \* FROM employees WHERE department = 'Marketing' AND office LIKE 'East%';

To filter for east office buildings in specific department, we use the LIKE keyword and % wildcard. These keywords are used to search for a pattern.

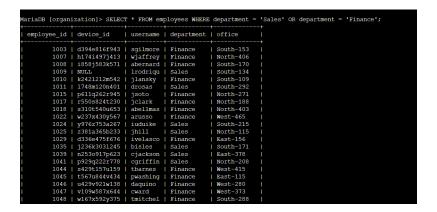


## Retrieve employees in Finance or Sales

To retrieve information on employees, in order to perform different security patches on machines for employees in Sales and Finance department.

SELECT \* FROM employees WHERE department = 'Sales' OR department = 'Finance';

In this query we used OR condition to filter out both Sales and Finance department employees.



### Retrieve all employees not in IT

The security team needs to update all employee machines except employees from department of IT.

Therefore, we use the query

SELECT \* FROM employees WHERE NOT department = 'Information Technology';

MariaDB [organi	ization]> SELEC	r * FROM em	ployees WHERE NOT	department =
employee_id	device_id	username	department	office
1000	a320b137c219	elarson	Marketing	East-170
1001	b239c825d303	bmoreno	Marketing	Central-276
1002	c116d593e558	tshah	Human Resources	North-434
1003	d394e816f943	sgilmore	Finance	South-153
1004	e218f877g788	eraab	Human Resources	South-127
1005	f551g340h864	gesparza	Human Resources	South-366
1007	h174i497j413	wjaffrey	Finance	North-406
1008	i858j583k571	abernard	Finance	South-170
1009	NULL	lrodriqu	Sales	South-134
1010	k2421212m542	jlansky	Finance	South-109
1011	1748m120n401	drosas	Sales	South-292
1015	p611q262r945	jsoto	Finance	North-271
1016	q793r736s288	sbaelish	Human Resources	North-229
1017	r550s824t230	jclark	Finance	North-188
1018	s310t540u653	abellmas	Finance	North-403
1020	u899v381w363	arutley	Marketing	South-351
1022	w237x430y567	arusso	Finance	West-465
1024	y976z753a267	iuduike	Sales	South-215
1025	z381a365b233	jhill	Sales	North-115
1026	a998b568c863	apatel	Human Resources	West-320
1027	b806c503d354	mrah	Marketing	West-246
1028	c603d749e374	aestrada	Human Resources	West-121
1020	122604755676	l irrolaggo	L Finance	I Rock 156

## Summary

The job was to investigate security issues to help keep system secure. As discovered earlier there were some potential security issues that involve login attempts and employee machines. By using SQL, we filtered out login attempts that might have been malicious, and provided security patch updates to machines that were lacking behind in getting updates, that might have been the cause of potential cyber threat.