Apply filters to SQL queries

Project description

In this project, I will act as a security professional at a large organization. My job is to investigate security issues to help keep the system secure. I've recently discovered some potential security issues that involve login attempts and employee machines. I will use SQL to examine the data in the `employees` and `log_in_attempts` tables.

Retrieve after hours failed login attempts

In this example, I am investigating failed login attempts that occurred after business hours. End of business is at 18:00 or 6 pm. MySQL stores Boolean values as 1 for `TRUE` and 0 for `FALSE` and is represented in the `success` column.

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT *
    -> FROM log_in_attempts
    -> WHERE login_time > '18:00'
    -> AND success = 0;
+----------+----------+------------+------------+---------+-----------------+---------+
| event_id | username | login_date | login_time | country | ip_address      | success |
+----------+----------+------------+------------+---------+-----------------+---------+
|        2 | apatel   | 2022-05-10 | 20:27:27   | CAN     | 192.168.205.12  |       0 |
|       18 | pwashing | 2022-05-11 | 19:28:50   | US      | 192.168.66.142  |       0 |
|       20 | tshah    | 2022-05-12 | 18:56:36   | MEXICO  | 192.168.109.50  |       0 |
|       28 | aestrada | 2022-05-09 | 19:28:12   | MEXICO  | 192.168.27.57   |       0 |
|       34 | drosas   | 2022-05-11 | 21:02:04   | US      | 192.168.45.93   |       0 |
|       42 | cgriffin | 2022-05-09 | 23:04:05   | US      | 192.168.4.157   |       0 |
|       52 | cjackson | 2022-05-10 | 22:07:07   | CAN     | 192.168.58.57   |       0 |
```

Retrieve login attempts on specific dates

I am investigating a suspicious event that occurred on May 9, 2022. I want to retrieve all the login attempts that occurred on this day and the previous day. I would use the `OR` operator to retrieve the login attempts on May 9th or May 8th.

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT *
    -> FROM log_in_attempts
    -> WHERE login_date = '2022-05-09'
    -> OR login_date = '2022-05-08';
+----------+----------+------------+------------+---------+-----------------+---------+
| event_id | username | login_date | login_time | country | ip_address      | success |
+----------+----------+------------+------------+---------+-----------------+---------+
|        1 | jrafael  | 2022-05-09 | 04:56:27   | CAN     | 192.168.243.140 |       1 |
|        3 | dkot     | 2022-05-09 | 06:47:41   | USA     | 192.168.151.162 |       1 |
|        4 | dkot     | 2022-05-08 | 02:00:39   | USA     | 192.168.178.71  |       0 |
|        8 | bisles   | 2022-05-08 | 01:30:17   | US      | 192.168.119.173 |       0 |
|       12 | dkot     | 2022-05-08 | 09:11:34   | USA     | 192.168.100.158 |       1 |
|       15 | lyamamot | 2022-05-09 | 17:17:26   | USA     | 192.168.183.51  |       0 |
```

Retrieve login attempts outside of Mexico

Now I am investigating logins that did not originate in Mexico. The country field includes entries with `MEX` and `MEXICO`. To remove all entries from my query, I would use the `LIKE` operator to remove any entries beginning with 'MEX' and the `NOT` operator to exclude `MEXICO` from the query.

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT *
    -> FROM log_in_attempts
    -> WHERE NOT country LIKE 'MEX%';
+----------+----------+------------+------------+---------+-----------------+---------+
| event_id | username | login_date | login_time | country | ip_address      | success |
+----------+----------+------------+------------+---------+-----------------+---------+
|        1 | jrafael  | 2022-05-09 | 04:56:27   | CAN     | 192.168.243.140 |       1 |
|        2 | apatel   | 2022-05-10 | 20:27:27   | CAN     | 192.168.205.12  |       0 |
|        3 | dkot     | 2022-05-09 | 06:47:41   | USA     | 192.168.151.162 |       1 |
|        4 | dkot     | 2022-05-08 | 02:00:39   | USA     | 192.168.178.71  |       0 |
|        5 | jrafael  | 2022-05-11 | 03:05:59   | CANADA  | 192.168.86.232  |       0 |
|        7 | eraab    | 2022-05-11 | 01:45:14   | CAN     | 192.168.170.243 |       1 |
|        8 | bisles   | 2022-05-08 | 01:30:17   | US      | 192.168.119.173 |       0 |
|       10 | jrafael  | 2022-05-12 | 09:33:19   | CANADA  | 192.168.228.221 |       0 |
```

Retrieve employees in Marketing

Here I need to update employee machines and require information about employees in the Marketing department that are located in all offices in the East building. Each office has numbers that follow the name of the building (East). I would use the `AND` operator to query employees in the Marketing department `AND` located in the East building.

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT *
    -> FROM employees
    -> WHERE department = 'Marketing'
    -> AND office LIKE 'East%';
+-------------+--------------+----------+------------+-----------+
| employee_id | device_id    | username | department | office    |
+-------------+--------------+----------+------------+-----------+
|        1000 | a320b137c219 | elarson  | Marketing  | East-170  |
|        1052 | a192b174c940 | jdarosa  | Marketing  | East-195  |
|        1075 | x573y883z772 | fbautist | Marketing  | East-267  |
|        1088 | k8651965m233 | rgosh    | Marketing  | East-157  |
|        1103 | NULL         | randerss | Marketing  | East-460  |
|        1156 | a184b775c707 | dellery  | Marketing  | East-417  |
|        1163 | h679i515j339 | cwilliam | Marketing  | East-216  |
+-------------+--------------+----------+------------+-----------+
```

Retrieve employees in Finance or Sales

Here I need to perform a different update to the computers of all employees in the Finance or Sales department, and I need information on these employees. Here I would use the `OR` operator to query between the Finance department or Sales department.

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT *
    -> FROM employees
    -> WHERE department = 'Finance'
    -> OR department = 'Sales';
+-------------+--------------+----------+------------+-------------+
| employee_id | device_id    | username | department | office      |
+-------------+--------------+----------+------------+-------------+
|        1003 | d394e816f943 | sgilmore | Finance    | South-153   |
|        1007 | h174i497j413 | wjaffrey | Finance    | North-406   |
|        1008 | i858j583k571 | abernard | Finance    | South-170   |
|        1009 | NULL         | lrodriqu | Sales      | South-134   |
|        1010 | k2421212m542 | jlansky  | Finance    | South-109   |
```

Retrieve all employees not in IT

The IT department already received the update in my last update, but other departments have not. I would use the `NOT` operator to exclude the IT department from my query to get information on employees not in the IT department.

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT *
    -> FROM employees
    -> WHERE NOT department = 'Information Technology';
+-------------+--------------+----------+-----------------+-------------+
| 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   |
```

Summary

In conclusion, I have demonstrated a practical application of using MySQL to complete specific tasks based on real-life scenarios. Incorporating the use of `WHERE`, `NOT`, `AND`, `OR`, and `LIKE` operators to complete multiple tasks.