Reporting Aggregated Data Using the Group Functions

Objectives

After completing this lesson, you should be able to do the following:

- Identify the available group functions
- Describe the use of group functions
- Group data by using the GROUP BY clause
- Include or exclude grouped rows by using the HAVING clause

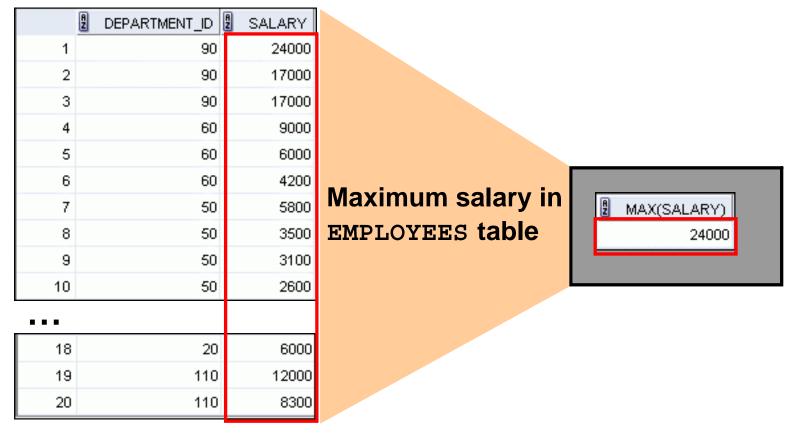
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What Are Group Functions?

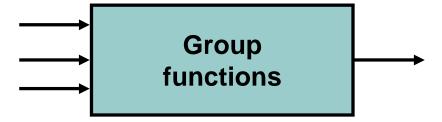
Group functions operate on sets of rows to give one result per group.

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Types of Group Functions

- AVG
- COUNT
- MAX
- MIN
- STDDEV
- SUM
- VARIANCE



Group Functions: Syntax

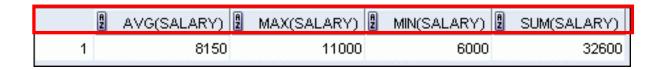
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SELECT group_function(column), ...

FROM table
[WHERE condition]
[ORDER BY column];
```

Using the AVG and SUM Functions

You can use AVG and SUM for numeric data.

```
SELECT AVG(salary), MAX(salary),
MIN(salary), SUM(salary)
FROM employees
WHERE job_id LIKE '%REP%';
```



Using the MIN and MAX Functions

You can use MIN and MAX for numeric, character, and date data types.

```
SELECT MIN(hire_date), MAX(hire_date)
FROM employees;
```

MIN(HIRE_DATE) MAX(HIRE_DATE)
1 17-JUN-87 29-JAN-00

Using the COUNT Function

COUNT (*) returns the number of rows in a table:



```
SELECT COUNT(*)
FROM employees
WHERE department_id = 50;
```



COUNT (expr) returns the number of rows with non-null values for expr:



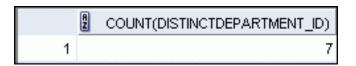
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SELECT COUNT(commission_pct)
FROM employees
WHERE department_id = 80;
```



Using the DISTINCT Keyword

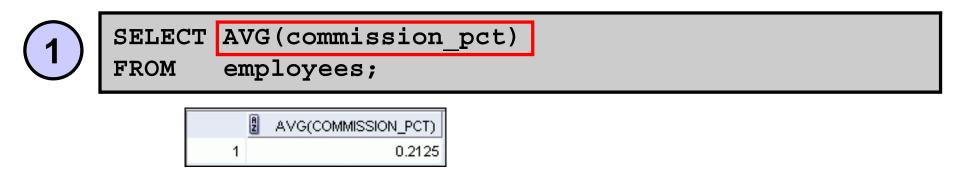
- COUNT (DISTINCT expr) returns the number of distinct non-null values of expr.
- To display the number of distinct department values in the EMPLOYEES table:

```
SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT department_id)
FROM employees;
```



Group Functions and Null Values

Group functions ignore null values in the column:



The NVL function forces group functions to include null values:



```
AVG(NVL(COMMISSION_PCT,0))

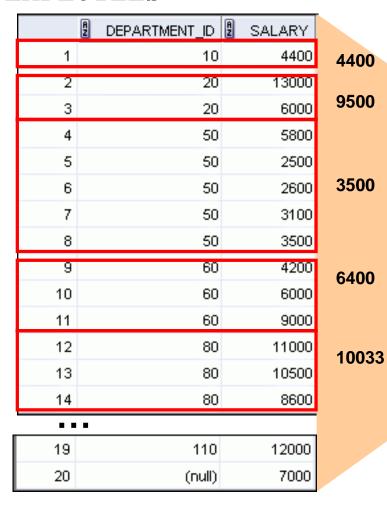
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Creating Groups of Data

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Average salary in EMPLOYEES table for each department

	A	DEPARTMENT_ID	2 AVG(SALARY)
1		10	4400
2		20	9500
3		50	3500
4		60	6400
5		80	10033.333333333333
6		90	19333.33333333333
7		110	10150
8		(null)	7000

Creating Groups of Data: GROUP BY Clause Syntax

```
SELECT column, group_function(column)

FROM table
[WHERE condition]

[GROUP BY group_by_expression]

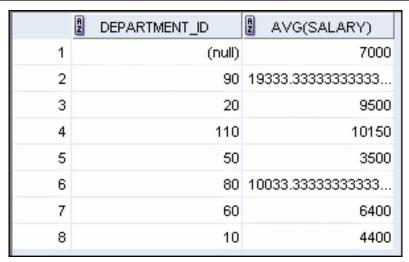
[ORDER BY column];
```

You can divide rows in a table into smaller groups by using the GROUP BY clause.

Using the GROUP BY Clause

All columns in the SELECT list that are not in group functions must be in the GROUP BY clause.

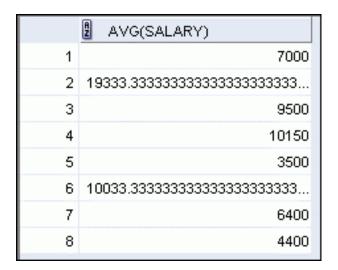
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SELECT department_id, AVG(salary)
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id;
```



Using the GROUP BY Clause

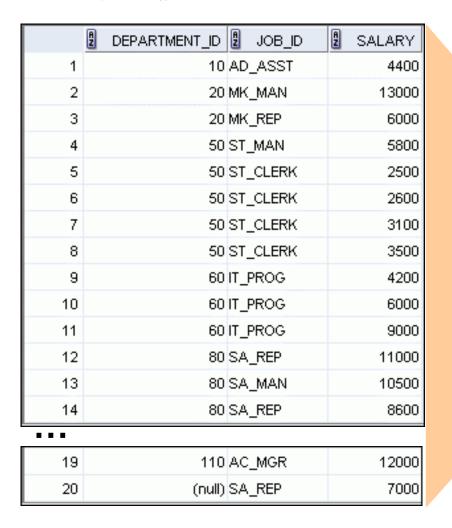
The GROUP BY column does not have to be in the SELECT list.

```
SELECT AVG(salary)
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id;
```



Grouping by More than One Column

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Add the salaries in the EMPLOYEES table for each job, grouped by department.

	A	DEPARTMENT_ID	2 JOB_ID	SUM(SALARY)
1		10	AD_ASST	4400
2		20	MK_MAN	13000
3		20	MK_REP	6000
4		50	ST_CLERK	11700
5		50	ST_MAN	5800
6		60	IT_PROG	19200
7		80	SA_MAN	10500
8		80	SA_REP	19600
9		90	AD_PRES	24000
10		90	AD_VP	34000
11		110	AC_ACCOUNT	8300
12		110	AC_MGR	12000
13		(null)	SA_REP	7000

Using the GROUP BY Clause on Multiple Columns

```
SELECT department_id, job_id, SUM(salary)
FROM employees
WHERE department_id > 40
GROUP BY department_id, job_id
ORDER BY department_id;
```

	Ą	DEPARTMENT_ID	A	JOB_ID	A	SUM(SALARY)
1		50	ST_	CLERK		11700
2		50	ST_	MAN_		5800
3		60	IT_F	PROG		19200
4		80	SA,	_MAN		10500
5		80	SA,	_REP		19600
6		90	AD,	_PRES		24000
7		90	AD,	_VP		34000
8		110	AC,	_ACCOUNT		8300
9		110	AC,	_MGR		12000

Illegal Queries Using Group Functions

Any column or expression in the SELECT list that is not an aggregate function must be in the GROUP BY clause:

```
SELECT department_id, COUNT(last_name)
FROM employees;

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A GROUP BY clause must be added to count the last names for each department_id.
```

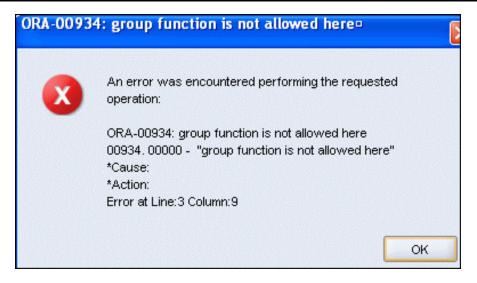
```
SELECT department_id, job_id, COUNT(last_name)
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id;
```

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Illegal Queries Using Group Functions

- You cannot use the WHERE clause to restrict groups.
- You use the HAVING clause to restrict groups.
- You cannot use group functions in the WHERE clause.

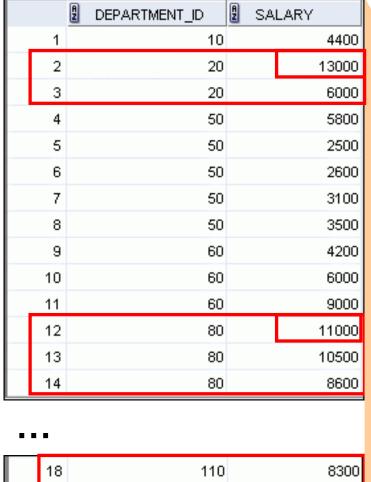
```
SELECT department_id, AVG(salary)
FROM employees
WHERE AVG(salary) > 8000
GROUP BY department_id;
```



Cannot use the WHERE clause to restrict groups

Restricting Group Results

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The maximum salary per department when it is greater than \$10,000

	A	DEPARTMENT_ID	A	MAX(SALARY)
1		20		13000
2		80		11000
3		90		24000
4		110		12000

18	110	8300
19	110	12000
20	(null)	7000

Restricting Group Results with the HAVING Clause

When you use the HAVING clause, the Oracle server restricts groups as follows:

- Rows are grouped.
- 2. The group function is applied.
- 3. Groups matching the HAVING clause are displayed.

```
SELECT column, group_function

FROM table
[WHERE condition]
[GROUP BY group_by_expression]
[HAVING group_condition]
[ORDER BY column];
```

Using the HAVING Clause

```
SELECT department_id, MAX(salary)
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id
HAVING MAX(salary)>10000;
```

	DEPARTMENT_ID	MAX(SALARY)
1	90	24000
2	20	13000
3	110	12000
4	80	11000

Using the HAVING Clause

```
SELECT job_id, SUM(salary) PAYROLL
FROM employees
WHERE job_id NOT LIKE '%REP%'
GROUP BY job_id
HAVING SUM(salary) > 13000
ORDER BY SUM(salary);
```

	JOB_ID	2 PAYROLL
1	IT_PROG	19200
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Nesting Group Functions

Display the maximum average salary:

```
SELECT MAX(AVG(salary))
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id;
```

Quiz

Identify the guidelines for group functions and the GROUP BY clause.

- 1. You cannot use a column alias in the GROUP BY clause.
- 2. The GROUP BY column must be in the SELECT clause.
- 3. By using a WHERE clause, you can exclude rows before dividing them into groups.
- 4. The GROUP BY clause groups rows and ensures order of the result set.
- 5. If you include a group function in a SELECT clause, you cannot select individual results as well.

Summary

In this lesson, you should have learned how to:

- Use the group functions COUNT, MAX, MIN, SUM, and AVG
- Write queries that use the GROUP BY clause
- Write queries that use the HAVING clause

```
SELECT column, group_function

FROM table
[WHERE condition]

[GROUP BY group_by_expression]
[HAVING group_condition]

[ORDER BY column];
```

Practice 5: Overview

This practice covers the following topics:

- Writing queries that use the group functions
- Grouping by rows to achieve more than one result
- Restricting groups by using the HAVING clause