



Business School  
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Information Systems Program

# Module 5

## Oracle SQL Analytic Functions

### Lesson 5: Functions for Ratio Comparisons



# Lesson Objectives

- Understand concepts about cumulative distribution functions
- Write SELECT statements using functions for ratio comparisons
- Reflect about the importance of ratio comparisons



# Motivation

- Ratio comparisons common in business intelligence
- More precise than rankings
- Contribution ratios
  - Part of a whole
  - Share of total sales for each division
- Distribution ratios
  - Size of subsets compared to a population
  - Threshold for top 5% of unit sales



# Ratio Comparison Functions

## Ratio\_To\_Report

- **Contribution ratios for additive columns**
- **Ratios sum to 1**

## Cume\_Dist and Percent\_Rank

- **Distribution ratios for ordered columns**
- **Maximum value of 1**
- **Differ slightly on range**



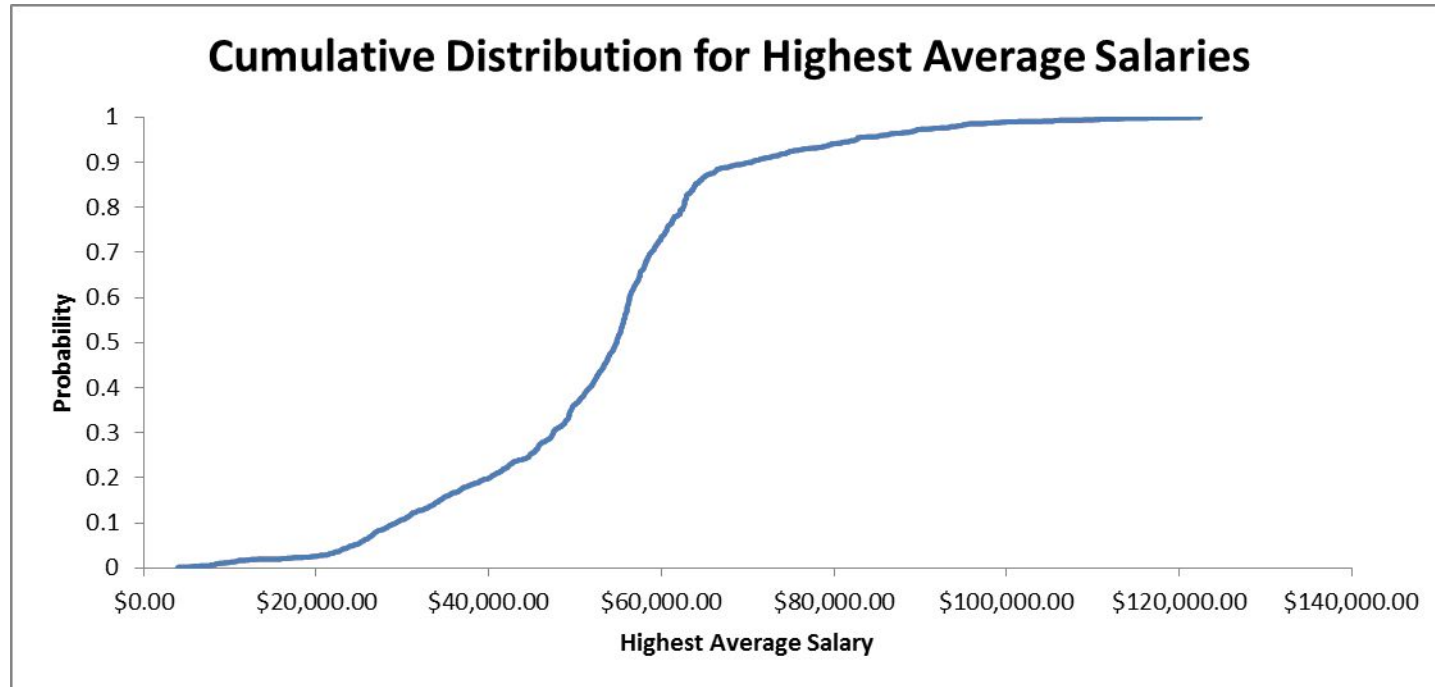
# Ratio\_To\_Report Example

- Contribution ratio on sum of dollar sales by year and customer city
- Partition on year
- Order result by year and descending sum of sales

```
SELECT TimeYear, CustCity, SUM(SalesDollar) AS SumSales,  
       RATIO_TO_REPORT(SUM(SalesDollar))  
         OVER (PARTITION BY TimeYear) AS SumSalesRatio  
FROM SSCustomer, SSSales, SSTimeDim  
WHERE SSSales.CustID = SSCustomer.CustId  
      AND SSSales.TimeNo = SSTimeDim.TimeNo  
GROUP BY TimeYear, CustCity  
ORDER BY TimeYear, SUM(SalesDollar) DESC;
```



# Cumulative Distribution



## Cume\_Dist

- (rows preceding inclusive) /  $N$
- Value range:  $> 0$  to 1
- $\text{Cume\_Dist}(54,950) = 0.50987$  (801/1571)

## Percent\_Rank

- $(\text{rank}-1) / (N-1)$
- Value range:  $\geq 0$  to 1
- $\text{Percent\_Rank}(54,950) = 0.50955$  (800/1570)



# Cumulative Distribution Example

- Cumulative distribution functions on item unit price
- Display item name, rank, percent rank, row number, and cumulative distribution

```
SELECT ItemName, ItemUnitPrice,  
       RANK() OVER (ORDER BY ItemUnitPrice) As RankUnitPrice,  
       PERCENT_RANK()  
         OVER (ORDER BY ItemUnitPrice) As PercentRankUnitPrice,  
       ROW_NUMBER()  
         OVER (ORDER BY ItemUnitPrice) As RowNumUnitPrice,  
       CUME_DIST()  
         OVER (ORDER BY ItemUnitPrice) As CumDistUnitPrice  
FROM SSItem;
```



# Example with Equal Values

- Cumulative distribution functions on sum of sales units by customer name
- Display customer name, rank, percent rank, row number, and cumulative distribution

```
SELECT CustName, SUM(SalesUnits) AS SumSalesUnits,  
       RANK() OVER (ORDER BY SUM(SalesUnits) ) AS RankSalesUnits,  
       PERCENT_RANK() OVER (ORDER BY SUM(SalesUnits) )  
       AS PerRankSalesUnits,  
       ROW_NUMBER()  
       OVER (ORDER BY SUM(SalesUnits)) As RowNumSalesUnits,  
       CUME_DIST() OVER (ORDER BY SUM(SalesUnits) ) AS CumDistSalesUnits  
FROM SSSales, SSCustomer  
WHERE SSSales.CUSTID = SSCustomer.CUSTID  
GROUP BY CustName;
```





# Top Performers Example

- Cumulative distribution function on item unit price
- Only display top 30% of items with largest unit prices
- Display item name, item brand, item unit price, and cumulative distribution

```
SELECT ItemName, ItemBrand, ItemUnitPrice, CumDistUnitPrice
FROM ( SELECT ItemId, ItemName, ItemBrand, ItemUnitPrice,
          CUME_DIST()
          OVER (ORDER BY ItemUnitPrice DESC) As CumDistUnitPrice
        FROM SSItem ) X
WHERE CumDistUnitPrice <= 0.3;
```



# Additional Problems I

- Example 5
  - Cumulative distribution (Cume\_Dist) of dollar sales in Colorado (CO)
  - Remove duplicates
  - Display dollar sales and cumulative distribution
- Example 6
  - Top performing (30%) customer zip codes by year on sum of dollar sales
  - Use either cumulative distribution function
  - Partition by year
  - Display year, store zip code, sum of dollar sales, and cumulative distribution
  - Order by year and cumulative distribution

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# Additional Problems II

- Example 7
  - Contribution ratio on sum of 2015 unit sales by month and item brand
  - Partition on month
  - Display month, item brand, sum of unit sales, and contribution ratio
  - Order result by month and descending sum of unit sales



# Summary

- Support common ratio comparisons in business intelligence
- `RATIO_TO_REPORT` for contributions of additive columns to total
- `CUME_DIST` and `PERCENT_RANK` for distribution ratios

