

DENSE\_RANK() :

**Window function** in SQL that assigns a rank to rows within a partition, **without skipping ranks** when there are duplicates.

### Syntax

```
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DENSE_RANK() OVER (
  PARTITION BY column_name
  ORDER BY column_name ASC|DESC
)
```

- **PARTITION BY** (Optional) – Divides the result into groups.
- **ORDER BY** – Defines the ranking order.
- **Ranks are continuous** – No gaps if values repeat.

EX:

```
SELECT
  name, department, salary,
  DENSE_RANK() OVER (PARTITION BY department ORDER BY salary DESC) AS dept_rank
FROM Employees;
```

### Output

Name	Department	Salary	Dept_Rank
Alice	HR	7000	1
John	HR	5000	2
Bob	IT	8000	1
Charlie	IT	8000	1
David	IT	2	2

### Explanation

- Employees **within each department** are ranked separately.
- No gaps in ranking **within each department**.

Without the “partition by” the function gives the rank based on all data irrespective of the department.

Rank():

**Window function** that assigns a rank to each row within a partition, but **skips ranks** when there

are duplicate values.

## ◆ Syntax

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```
RANK() OVER (  
    PARTITION BY column_name  
    ORDER BY column_name ASC|DESC  
)
```

- **PARTITION BY** (Optional) – Divides the data into groups (each group is ranked separately).
- **ORDER BY** – Defines ranking order (ascending or descending).
- **Ranks can have gaps** – If two or more rows have the same value, they receive the **same rank**, and the next rank is **skipped**.

EX:

SELECT

```
    name, marks,  
    RANK() OVER (ORDER BY marks DESC) AS rank_num  
FROM Students;
```

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## ◆ Output

Name	Marks	Rank_Num
Alice	95	1
Charlie	95	1
Bob	90	3
Eve	90	3
David	85	5

## 📄 Explanation

- Alice & Charlie have **same marks (95)** → Both get **Rank 1**.
  - Bob & Eve have **same marks (90)** → Both get **Rank 3** (**Rank 2 is skipped**).
  - David is next → Gets **Rank 5** (**Rank 4 is skipped**).
- ⚠ Notice the ranking gaps!

Extract():  
retrieves specific date or time parts (like year, month, day, hour, etc.) from a date, timestamp, or interval value.

Syntax

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```
EXTRACT(field FROM source)
```

- `field` → The part of the date/time you want to extract (e.g., `YEAR`, `MONTH`, `DAY`, `HOURL`).
- `source` → A `DATE`, `TIMESTAMP`, or `INTERVAL` column/value.

Supported Fields in Oracle

Field	Description
YEAR	Extracts the year (e.g., 2024)
MONTH	Extracts the month (1-12)
DAY	Extracts the day of the month (1-31)
HOURL	Extracts the hour (0-23) (only for TIMESTAMP)
MINUTE	Extracts the minute (0-59) (only for TIMESTAMP)
SECOND	Extracts the second (0-59) (only for TIMESTAMP)
TIMEZONE_HOUR	Extracts the time zone hour offset
TIMEZONE_MINUTE	Extracts the time zone minute offset
TIMEZONE_REGION	Extracts the time zone region name
TIMEZONE_ABBR	Extracts the time zone abbreviation

Fields NOT Supported in Oracle

Some fields that work in PostgreSQL do not work in Oracle:

Field	Description
WEEK	Week of the year (Use <code>TO_CHAR(date, 'IW')</code> instead)
DOW	Day of the week (Use <code>TO_CHAR(date, 'D')</code> )
DOY	Day of the year (Use <code>TO_CHAR(date, 'DDD')</code> )
QUARTER	Quarter of the year (Use <code>TO_CHAR(date, 'Q')</code> )

Extracting Quarter (Alternative)

Oracle does not support `QUARTER` in `EXTRACT()`, so use `TO_CHAR()` instead:

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```
SELECT TO_CHAR(DATE '2024-03-22', 'Q') AS Quarter FROM dual;
```

Output

Quarter
1

Extracting Week (Alternative)

sql

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```
SELECT TO_CHAR(DATE '2024-03-22', 'IW') AS WeekNumber FROM dual;
```

Output

WeekNumber
12

Extracting Day of the Week (Alternative)

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```
SELECT TO_CHAR(DATE '2024-03-22', 'D') AS DayOfWeek FROM dual;
```

Output

DayOfWeek
6

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Correct Way to Get DOY in Oracle

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SELECT TO\_CHAR(DATE '2024-03-22', 'DDD') AS DayOfYear FROM dual;

Output

DayOfYear82

(Meaning March 22 is the 82nd day of 2024.)

EX:

SELECT

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EXTRACT(YEAR FROM DATE '2024-03-22') AS Year,  
EXTRACT(MONTH FROM DATE '2024-03-22') AS Month,  
EXTRACT(DAY FROM DATE '2024-03-22') AS Day  
FROM dual;

Output

Year	Month	Day
2024	3	22

2 Extract from a Timestamp

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SELECT  
EXTRACT(HOUR FROM TIMESTAMP '2024-03-22 14:35:00') AS Hour,  
EXTRACT(MINUTE FROM TIMESTAMP '2024-03-22 14:35:00') AS Minute,  
EXTRACT(SECOND FROM TIMESTAMP '2024-03-22 14:35:00') AS Second  
FROM dual;

Output

Hour	Minute	Second
14	35	0