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Task 1

Section A

This report provides insight into the most popular films for each film category, what kinds of films they are, and which of the inventory are rented the most. A detailed view displays the number of rentals for each inventory item which provides insight into which discs are experiencing the most wear. A summarized view displays the most popular films for each genre, as well as the rating information for each of the films. This information will allow the business to make appropriate business decisions for adjusting their inventory based on wear and film popularity.

Section A1-A3

The following table describes the fields found in the detailed view.

Original table	Data field	Data type
film	film_id	integer
film	title	string
film_category	category name	string
film	rating	mpaa_rating
inventory	inventory_id	integer
rental	Count of rental_id as total_rentals	integer

In addition, the following table describes the data fields found in the summary view.

Original table	Data field	Data type
film_category	category name	string
film	title	string
film	rating	mpaa_rating
n/a	rating_definition transformed from rating	string
detailed view	Sum of total_rentals as total_rentals	integer

Section A4

To clarify the meanings of the MPAA film ratings and to better understand the types of films that are the most popular, the field, rating_definition, is included in the summary view. A user-defined function is used on the rating field to transform the MPAA ratings into their respective definitions.

Section A5

The detailed table section of this report can be used to identify which discs need replacement or repair. Discs that experience a greater number of rentals will typically need to be replaced sooner than others. In addition, the information found in this section may be used to identify which films may need additional discs added to the inventory based on how frequently discs are rented out. The summary table section of this report can used to identify which kinds of films are performing the best. This information can used in marketing decisions, such as creating advertisements featuring some of the most popular film types. And just as the detailed table section, it may also be used to identify which films to purchase more copies of or for disc maintenance.

Section A6

This report should be refreshed monthly if the intended use of the results are for inventory maintenance. This will ensure that inventory demands are being met as films become more popular and that any overused discs are being checked for repair or replacement. However, if this report is solely used for marketing purposes, a quarterly refresh may be preferred. A longer time frame with give a more accurate view of what the market generally prefers.

Section B

The following code creates the function explained in Section A4. It is used when populating the summary report to transform an MPAA film rating into a rating definition for clarification. This function uses a simple CASE expression as found in the *PostgreSQL CASE* tutorial (2020).

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION rating_definition_function(rating mpaa_rating)
       RETURNS varchar
       LANGUAGE plpgsql
AS
$$
DECLARE rating definition varchar(45);
BEGIN
       RETURN
       CASE rating
              WHEN 'G' THEN 'General Audiences'
              WHEN 'R' THEN 'Restricted'
              WHEN 'PG' THEN 'Parental Guidance Suggested'
              WHEN 'PG-13' THEN 'Parents Strongly Cautioned'
              WHEN 'NC-17' THEN 'Adults Only'
       END rating definition;
END;
$$
```

Section C

The following code creates the detailed report table.

The following code creates the summary report table.

Section D

The following code extracts data from the database and populates the detailed report table. This statement performs numerous joins on the tables inventory, film, rental, film_category, and category to insert the selected data fields into the detailed_report table. In addition, a COUNT() of rental_id is used to populate the total_rentals column with the total rentals of each disc.

```
INSERT INTO detailed_report

(film_id,
    title,
    category,
    rating,
    inventory_id,
    total_rentals)

SELECT f.film_id, f.title, cat.name, f.rating, i.inventory_id, COUNT(r.rental_id)
FROM inventory i

LEFT JOIN film f ON f.film_id = i.film_id

LEFT JOIN rental r ON i.inventory_id = r.inventory_id

LEFT JOIN film_category fc ON fc.film_id = f.film_id

LEFT JOIN category cat ON cat.category_id = fc.category_id

GROUP BY f.film_id, f.title, cat.name, i.inventory_id

ORDER BY f.film_id
```

Section E

The following code creates a trigger and trigger function on the detailed report that updates the summary report when the detailed report is updated. The trigger function clears the contents of the summary report and then populates it from the detailed report.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION update_trigger_function()
       RETURNS TRIGGER
       LANGUAGE plpgsql
AS
$$
BEGIN
       DELETE FROM summary_report;
       INSERT INTO summary_report(
               category,
              film id,
              title,
              rating,
              rating definition,
              total_rentals)
       SELECT DISTINCT ON(category)
              category,
              film_id,
              title,
              rating,
              rating definition function(rating) as rating definition,
              SUM(total rentals) as total rentals
       FROM detailed_report
       GROUP BY category, film_id, title, rating, rating_definition
       ORDER BY category, total_rentals DESC
RETURN NEW;
END;
$$
DROP TRIGGER update_summary_trigger ON detailed_report;
CREATE TRIGGER update_summary_trigger
       AFTER INSERT
       ON detailed report
       FOR EACH STATEMENT
       EXECUTE PROCEDURE update_trigger_function()
```

Section F

The following stored procedure refreshes both the detailed and summary report tables. First it clears both tables and then repopulates them to keep information up to date. This report should be refreshed monthly if the intended use of the results are for inventory maintenance or quarterly if used solely for marketing purposes.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE update tables procedure()
        LANGUAGE plpgsql
AS
$$
BEGIN
-- Clears tables
        DELETE FROM detailed_report;
        DELETE FROM summary report;
-- Populates tables
       INSERT INTO detailed report
               (film_id,
               title,
               category,
               rating,
               inventory_id,
               total_rentals)
               SELECT f.film_id, f.title, cat.name, f.rating, i.inventory_id, COUNT(r.rental_id)
               FROM inventory i
               LEFT JOIN film f ON f.film id = i.film id
               LEFT JOIN rental r ON i.inventory id = r.inventory id
               LEFT JOIN film category fc ON fc.film id = f.film id
               LEFT JOIN category cat ON cat.category_id = fc.category_id
               GROUP BY f.film_id, f.title, cat.name, i.inventory_id
               ORDER BY f.film_id
END;
$$
```

Section F1

To automatically refresh the two tables, a job scheduling tool, such as pgAgent may be utilized. pgAgent is a tool used to run and manage scheduled jobs which can consist of SQL statements. Once the extension is installed on the database server and configured for use with pgAdmin, a job may be created to automatically run the stored procedure (The pgAdmin Development Team, 2023).

Sources

PostgreSQL CASE. (2020). PostgreSQL Tutorial. https://www.postgresqltutorial.com/postgresqltutorial/postgresql-case/

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