

Apply filters to SQL queries

Project description

In this project, I will demonstrate and explain the different commands that can be used for SQL.

SQL is primarily used to organize data, so most of these queries will involve filtering a large amount of data.

Retrieve after hours failed login attempts

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT * FROM log_in_attempts WHERE login_time > '18:00' AND success = FALSE;
```

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

In order to retrieve failed login attempts after work hours, I used the command at the top of the screenshot.

The `SELECT` command will select data. The `FROM` command will indicate where the data will be selected from, which is `log_in_attempts` in this case. I am selecting all (`*` means all) data from `log_in_attempts`. `WHERE` asks for any conditions for filtering, which we want to find failed login attempts after office hours. Therefore, we list our conditions. The first condition asks for any data that is more recent than `'18:00'` (6PM), since that is when office hours end. The second condition asks for failed login attempts. Combine them together with the `AND` operator, this command will only return login attempts after 6PM that failed.

Retrieve login attempts on specific dates

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT * FROM log_in_attempts WHERE login_date = '2022-05-08'
OR login_date = '2022-05-09';
```

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

Next, I was tasked with retrieving login attempts from specific dates. These dates are the 8th and 9th of May 2022. Here is what my command does (top of screenshot).

I selected all the data from the `log_in_attempts` table again, however my conditions have changed. This time I only want the rows where the `login_date` is either `'2022-05-08'` or `'2022-05-09'`.

Retrieve login attempts outside of Mexico

```
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

After that, I retrieved all login attempts outside of Mexico.

Again, the first part is mostly straightforward, I am selecting all the data from `log_in_attempts` that correspond to the condition. However, if you look at `'MEX%'`, notice how there is a percent symbol. This symbol substitutes for any characters that trail after `'MEX'`, such as `'MEX12'` or `'MEXHEX'`. This works because the only countries in our system are `'CAN'` (Canada), `'USA'` (United States of America), and `'MEX'` (Mexico). In this case, the computer will find all login_attempts from a country that has a symbol starting with `'MEX'`. However, notice the command has a `NOT` condition. This negates it, which tells the computer to return all the login attempts that do not come from Mexico.

Retrieve employees in Marketing

```
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	k865l965m233	rgosh	Marketing	East-157
1103	NULL	randerss	Marketing	East-460
1156	a184b775c707	dellery	Marketing	East-417
1163	h679i515j339	cwilliam	Marketing	East-216

```
7 rows in set (0.002 sec)
```

In this command, I will retrieve all employees from the 'Marketing' department and from the east office building.

The first part is still the same, however the conditions are different. The first one is directly asking for any employee whose department is exactly 'Marketing'. The second condition asks for employees who are located in the east building. The condition asks for any office that starts with 'East-' only. Notice how I use the LIKE operator in this case, since it enables the percent symbol to have an effect. If I were to use = instead, the data will only return employees from the 'East-%' office, which are none in this case. Combine the two conditions asking for marketing employees and employees in the east building with an AND statement, and the computer will output employees that fulfill both conditions.

Retrieve employees in Finance or Sales

```
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

Next up, I will retrieve all employees from the finance or sales department.

I selected all the data from the employees file, then I set two conditions asking for employees who are in the 'Finance' department or the 'Sales' department. I combine them with the OR operator, which will output all employees that fulfill any one of these conditions.

Retrieve all employees not in IT

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT * FROM employees WHERE 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

For my final task, I had to retrieve all employees that were not in the informational technology department.

Notice how I used the `<>` operator instead of `WHERE NOT`. This is because the `<>` operator does the same thing. In order to fulfill that condition, any department that is not equal to `'Informational Technology'` will make it true. Since that is also my only condition, it will return all employees not in IT.

Summary

These are all the important commands you can use to filter data on SQL. Hopefully, these examples and explanations can teach you more about the language, and hopefully I've demonstrated my ability to manage data on SQL.