Apply filters to SQL queries on ABC Inc. Employees Database

Project description

ABC Inc. is working to make their system more secure. It is my job to ensure the system is safe from any threats, I investigate all potential security issues, and update staff computers as needed.

The following steps provide examples of how I used SQL with filters to perform security-related tasks.

Retrieve after hours failed login attempts

There was a potential security incident that occurred after business hours (after 18:00). All after hours login attempts that failed need to be investigated.

The following code demonstrates how I created a SQL query to filter for failed login attempts that occurred after business hours.

```
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
        2 | apatel | 2022-05-10 | 20:27:27 | CAN
                                                    | 192.168.205.12 |
       18 | pwashing | 2022-05-11 | 19:28:50 | US
                                                    | 192.168.66.142 |
                    | 2022-05-12 | 18:56:36 | MEXICO | 192.168.109.50 |
       20 | tshah
          | aestrada | 2022-05-09 | 19:28:12
                                             | MEXICO | 192.168.27.57
          drosas
                    | 2022-05-11 | 21:02:04
                                             US
                                                      | 192.168.45.93
```

Retrieve login attempts on specific dates

A suspicious event occurred on 2022-05-09. Any login activity that happened on 2022-05-09 or on the day before needs to be investigated.

I created a SQL query to filter for login attempts that occurred on specific dates.

```
MariaDB [organization] > SELECT *
   -> FROM log in attempts
   -> WHERE login date = '2022-05-09' OR login date = '2022-05-08';
 event id | username | login date | login time | country | ip address
                                                                     success
       1 | jrafael | 2022-05-09 | 04:56:27 | CAN
                                                    | 192.168.243.140 |
        3 | dkot
                  | 2022-05-09 | 06:47:41 | USA
                                                     | 192.168.151.162 |
        4 | dkot | 2022-05-08 | 02:00:39 | USA
                                                     | 192.168.178.71 |
        8 | bisles | 2022-05-08 | 01:30:17 | US
                                                    | 192.168.119.173 |
       12 | dkot | 2022-05-08 | 09:11:34 | USA
                                                    | 192.168.100.158 |
       15 | lyamamot | 2022-05-09 | 17:17:26 | USA
                                                     | 192.168.183.51 |
       24 | arusso | 2022-05-09 | 06:49:39 | MEXICO | 192.168.171.192 |
```

Retrieve login attempts outside of Mexico

After investigating ABC Inc.'s data on login attempts, I believe there is an issue with the login attempts that occurred outside of Mexico. These login attempts should be investigated. The following code demonstrates how I created a SQL query to filter for login attempts that occurred 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
                                                    | 192.168.243.140 |
        1 | jrafael | 2022-05-09 | 04:56:27 | CAN
        2 | apatel | 2022-05-10 | 20:27:27 | CAN
                                                     | 192.168.205.12 |
        3 | dkot | 2022-05-09 | 06:47:41
                                            USA
                                                     | 192.168.151.162 |
        4 | dkot | 2022-05-08 | 02:00:39
                                                     | 192.168.178.71 |
                                            USA
                                            | CANADA | 192.168.86.232 |
        5 | jrafael | 2022-05-11 | 03:05:59
        7 | eraab | 2022-05-11 | 01:45:14
                                            CAN
                                                     | 192.168.170.243 |
                                                                             1
                                                     | 192.168.119.173 |
        8 | bisles | 2022-05-08 | 01:30:17
                                            US
```

Retrieve employees in Marketing

My team wants to update the computers for certain employees in the Marketing department. To do this, I have to get information on which employee machines to update.

The following code shows the SQL query to filter for employee machines from employees in the Marketing department in the East building.

Retrieve employees in Finance or Sales

The machines for employees in the Finance and Sales departments also need to be updated. Since a different security update is needed, I have to get information on employees only from these two departments.

The following code shows the SQL query to filter for employee machines from employees in the Finance or Sales departments.

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT *
   -> FROM employees
   -> WHERE department = 'Finance' OR department = 'Sales';
 employee id | device id
                            | username | department | office
        1003 | d394e816f943 | sqilmore | Finance
                                                    | South-153
                                                   | North-406
        1007 | h174i497j413 | wjaffrey | Finance
        1008 | i858j583k571 | abernard | Finance
                                                    | South-170
                                                    | South-134
        1009 | NULL
                            | lrodriqu | Sales
        1010 | k2421212m542 | jlansky | Finance
                                                    | South-109
        1011 | 1748m120n401 | drosas
                                       Sales
                                                    | South-292
        1015 | p611q262r945 | jsoto
                                       | Finance
                                                    | North-271
        1017 | r550s824t230 | jclark
                                       | Finance
                                                    | North-188
        1018 | s310t540u653 | abellmas | Finance
                                                    | North-403
        1022 | w237x430y567 | arusso
                                       Finance
                                                    | West-465
        1024 | y976z753a267 | iuduike
                                       | Sales
                                                    | South-215
        1025 | z381a365b233 | jhill
                                       Sales
                                                    | North-115
        1029 | d336e475f676 | ivelasco | Finance
                                                    | East-156
        1035 | j236k3031245 | bisles
                                       | Sales
                                                   | South-171
```

Retrieve all employees not in IT

My team needs to make one more security update on employees who are not in the Information Technology department. To make the update, I first have to get information on these employees.

The following shows the SQL query to filter for employee machines from employees not in the Information Technology department.

```
MariaDB [organization]> SELECT *
   -> FROM employees
   -> WHERE NOT 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
1005 | f551g340h864 | gesparza | Human Resources | South-366
        1007 | h174i497j413 | wjaffrey | Finance | North-406
        1008 | i858j583k571 | abernard | Finance
                                                       | South-170
        1009 | NULL
                      | lrodriqu | Sales
                                                       | South-134
        1010 | k2421212m542 | jlansky | Finance
                                                       | South-109
        1011 | 1748m120n401 | drosas
                                       | Sales
                                                        | South-292
        1015 | p611q262r945 | jsoto
                                       | Finance
                                                        | North-271
        1016 | q793r736s288 | sbaelish | Human Resources | North-229
        1017 | r550s824t230 | jclark | Finance
                                                       | North-188
        1018 | s310t540u653 | abellmas | Finance
```