EXERCISE-8

Aggregating Data Using Group Functions

Objectives

After the completion of this exercise, the students be will be able to do the following:

- Identify the available group functions
- Describe the use of group functions
- Group data by using the GROUP BY clause
- Include or exclude grouped rows by using the HAVING clause

What Are Group Functions?

Group functions operate on sets of rows to give one result per group

Types of Group Functions

- AVG
- COUNT
- MAX
- MIN
- STDDEV
- SUM
- VARIANCE

Each of the functions accepts an argument. The following table identifies the options that you can use in the syntax:

Function	Description				
AVG([DISTINCT ALL]n)	Average value of n, ignoring null values				
COUNT({* [DISTINCT ALL]expr})	Number of rows, where expr evaluates to something other than null (count all selected rows using *, including duplicates and rows with nulls)				
MAX([DISTINCT ALL]expr)	Maximum value of expr. ignoring null values				
MIN([DISTINCT ALL]expr)	Minimum value of expr, ignoring null values				
STDDEV([DISTINCT \underline{ALL}]x)	Standard deviation of n, ignoring null values				
SUM([DISTINCT ALL]n)	Sum values of n, ignoring null values				
VARIANCE([DISTINCT ALL]x)	Variance of n, ignoring null values				

Group Functions: Syntax

SELECT [column,] group_function(column), ... FROM table
[WHERE condition]
[GROUP BY column]
[ORDER BY column];

Guidelines for Using Group Functions

• DISTINCT makes the function consider only nonduplicate values; ALL makes it consider every value, including duplicates. The default is ALL and therefore does not need to be specified.

- The data types for the functions with an expr argument may be CHAR, VARCHAR2, NUMBER, or DATE.
- All group functions ignore null values.

Using the AVG and SUM Functions

You can use AVG and SUM for numeric data.

SELECT AVG(salary), MAX(salary), MIN(salary), SUM(salary) FROM employees WHERE job id LIKE '%REP%';

Using the MIN and MAX Functions

You can use MIN and MAX for numeric, character, and date data types.

SELECT MIN(hire_date), MAX(hire_date) FROM employees;

You can use the MAX and MIN functions for numeric, character, and date data types. example displays the most junior and most senior employees.

The following example displays the employee last name that is first and the employee last name that is last in an alphabetized list of all employees:

SELECT MIN(last_name), MAX(last_name) FROM employees;

Note: The AVG, SUM, VARIANCE, and STDDEV functions can be used only with numeric data types. MAX and MIN cannot be used with LOB or LONG data types.

Using the COUNT Function

COUNT(*) returns the number of rows in a table:

SELECT COUNT(*)

FROM employees

WHERE department id = 50;

COUNT(*expr*) returns the number of rows with nonnull

values for the *expr*:

SELECT COUNT(commission pct)

FROM employees

WHERE department id = 80;

Using the DISTINCT Keyword

- COUNT(DISTINCT expr) returns the number of distinct non-null values of the *expr*.
- To display the number of distinct department values in the EMPLOYEES table:

SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT department id) FROM employees;

Use the DISTINCT keyword to suppress the counting of any duplicate values in a column.

Group Functions and Null Values

Group functions ignore null values in the column:

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SELECT AVG(commission_pct) FROM employees;
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The NVL function forces group functions to include null values:

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SELECT AVG(NVL(commission_pct, 0)) FROM employees;
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Creating Groups of Data

To divide the table of information into smaller groups. This can be done by using the GROUP BY clause.

GROUP BY Clause Syntax

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SELECT column, group_function(column)
FROM table
[WHERE condition]
[GROUP BY group_by_expression]
[ORDER BY column];
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In the syntax:

group_by_expression specifies columns whose values determine the basis for grouping rows

Guidelines

- If you include a group function in a SELECT clause, you cannot select individual results as well, *unless* the individual column appears in the GROUP BY clause. You receive an error message if you fail to include the column list in the GROUP BY clause.
- Using a WHERE clause, you can exclude rows before dividing them into groups.
- You must include the *columns* in the GROUP BY clause.
- You cannot use a column alias in the GROUP BY clause.

Using the GROUP BY Clause

All columns in the SELECT list that are not in group functions must be in the GROUP BY clause.

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SELECT department_id, AVG(salary)
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id;
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The GROUP BY column does not have to be in the SELECT list.

SELECT AVG(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department id;

You can use the group function in the ORDER BY clause:

SELECT department_id, AVG(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id ORDER BY AVG(salary);

Grouping by More Than One Column

SELECT department_id dept_id, job_id, SUM(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id, job_id;

Illegal Queries Using Group Functions

Any column or expression in the SELECT list that is not an aggregate function must be in the GROUP

BY clause:

SELECT department id, COUNT(last name) FROM employees;

You can correct the error by adding the GROUP BY clause:

SELECT department id, count(last name) FROM employees GROUP BY department id;

You cannot use the WHERE clause to restrict groups.

- You use the HAVING clause to restrict groups.
- You cannot use group functions in the WHERE clause.

SELECT department_id, AVG(salary) FROM employees WHERE AVG(salary) > 8000 GROUP BY department_id;

You can correct the error in the example by using the HAVING clause to restrict groups:

SELECT department_id, AVG(salary) FROM employees HAVING AVG(salary) > 8000 GROUP BY department_id;

Restricting Group Results

With the HAVING Clause .When you use the HAVING clause, the Oracle server restricts groups as follows:

- 1. Rows are grouped.
- 2. The group function is applied.
- 3. Groups matching the HAVING clause are displayed.

Using the HAVING Clause

SELECT department_id, MAX(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department idHAVING MAX(salary)>10000;

The following example displays the department numbers and average salaries for those departments with a maximum salary that is greater than \$10,000:

SELECT department_id, AVG(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id HAVING max(salary)>10000;

Example displays the job ID and total monthly salary for each job that has a total payroll exceeding \$13,000. The example excludes sales representatives and sorts the list by the total monthly salary.

SELECT job_id, SUM(salary) PAYROLL FROM employees WHERE job_id NOT LIKE '%REP%'

GROUP BY job id HAVING SUM(salary) > 13000 ORDER BY SUM(salary);

Nesting Group Functions

Display the maximum average salary:

Group functions can be nested to a depth of two. The slide example displays the maximum average salary.

SELECT MAX(AVG(salary)) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id;

Summary

In this exercise, students should have learned how to:

- Use the group functions COUNT, MAX, MIN, and AVG
- Write queries that use the GROUP BY clause
- Write queries that use the HAVING clause

SELECT column, group_function FROM table

[WHERE condition]

[GROUP BY group by expression]

[HAVING group condition]

[ORDER BY column];

Find the Solution for the following:

Determine the validity of the following three statements. Circle either True or False.

1. Group functions work across many rows to produce one result per group.

True/False

TRUE

2. Group functions include nulls in calculations.

True/False

FALSE

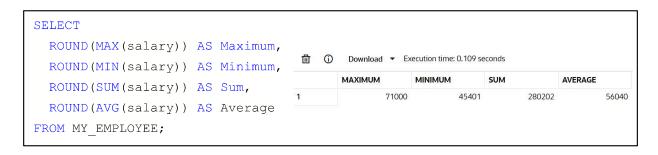
3. The WHERE clause restricts rows prior to inclusion in a group calculation.

True/False

TRUE

The HR department needs the following reports:

4. Find the highest, lowest, sum, and average salary of all employees. Label the columns Maximum, Minimum, Sum, and Average, respectively. Round your results to the nearest whole number



5. Modify the above query to display the minimum, maximum, sum, and average salary for each job type.



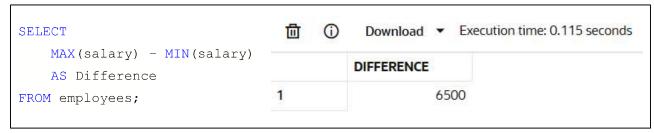
6. Write a query to display the number of people with the same job. Generalize the query so that the user in the HR department is prompted for a job title.



7. Determine the number of managers without listing them. Label the column Number of Managers. *Hint: Use the MANAGER_ID column to determine the number of managers*.



8. Find the difference between the highest and lowest salaries. Label the column DIFFERENCE.



9. Create a report to display the manager number and the salary of the lowest-paid employee for that manager. Exclude anyone whose manager is not known. Exclude any groups where the minimum salary is \$6,000 or less. Sort the output in descending order of salary.



10. Create a query to display the total number of employees and, of that total, the number of employees hired in 1995, 1996, 1997, and 1998. Create appropriate column headings.

SELECT								
COUNT(*) AS Total	_Employee	s,						
SUM (CASE WHEN EXT	RACT (YEAR	FROM hire_date)	= 1995	THEN 1	ELSE 0	END) AS H	ired_1995,	
SUM (CASE WHEN EXT	RACT (YEAR	FROM hire_date)	= 1996	THEN 1	ELSE 0	END) AS H	ired_1996,	
SUM (CASE WHEN EXT	RACT (YEAR	FROM hire_date)	= 1997	THEN 1	ELSE 0	END) AS H	ired_1997,	
SUM (CASE WHEN EXT	RACT (YEAR	FROM hire_date)	= 1998	THEN 1	ELSE 0	END) AS H	ired_1998	
FROM employees;	1 0	Download ▼ Execution	time: 0.008	seconds				
TOTAL_EMPLOYEES HIRED_199		0_1995	HIRED_1996		HIRED_1997	HIRED_1998		
	1	4		0	0		0	0

11. Create a matrix query to display the job, the salary for that job based on department number, and the total salary for that job, for departments 20, 50, 80, and 90, giving each column an appropriate heading.

12. Write a query to display each department's name, location, number of employees, and the average salary for all the employees in that department. Label the column name-Location, Number of people, and salary respectively. Round the average salary to two decimal places.



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