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# T-SQL static code analysis

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"NULL" should not be compared directly
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Related "IF"/"ELSE IF" statements and "WHEN" clauses in a "CASE" should not have the same condition
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Identical expressions should not be used on both sides of a binary operator
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All code should be reachable
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Loops with at most one iteration should be refactored
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Variables should not be self-assigned
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"GOTO" statements should not be used
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Deprecated system tables and views should not be used
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"ANSI_NULLS", "ANSI_PADDING" and "CONCAT_NULL_YIELDS_NULL" should not be configured
Code Smell

"@@IDENTITY" should not be used
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"COALESCE", "IIF", and "CASE" input expressions should not contain subqueries
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## "NULL" should not be compared directly

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In a Zen-like manner, "NULL" is never equal to anything, even itself. Therefore comparisons using equality operators will always return `False`, even when the value actually `IS NULL`.

For that reason, comparison operators should never be used to make comparisons with `NULL`; `IS NULL` and `IS NOT NULL` should be used instead.

### Noncompliant Code Example

```
UPDATE books
SET title = 'unknown'
WHERE title = NULL -- Noncompliant
```

### Compliant Solution

```
UPDATE books
SET title = 'unknown'
WHERE title IS NULL
```

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