DB Assignment 2: SQL on GCP

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PostgreSQL was used for this assignment.

Table Creation Queries

These queries were used to create the structure of the table, as given in the description.

```
CREATE TABLE users (
      id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
      name VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
      date_of_birth DATE NOT NULL
);
CREATE TABLE movies (
      id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
      name VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
      genre VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
      release_date DATE NOT NULL
);
CREATE TABLE reviews (
      user_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
      movie_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
      rating NUMERIC NOT NULL,
      comment VARCHAR(5000),
      FOREIGN KEY (user_id) REFERENCES users (id),
      FOREIGN KEY (movie_id) REFERENCES movies (id),
      PRIMARY KEY (user_id, movie_id)
);
CREATE TABLE actors (
      id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
      name VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
      gender VARCHAR(10) NOT NULL,
      date_of_birth DATE NOT NULL
);
CREATE TABLE lead (
      actor_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
      movie_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
      FOREIGN KEY (actor_id) REFERENCES actors (id),
      FOREIGN KEY (movie_id) REFERENCES movies (id),
      PRIMARY KEY (actor_id, movie_id)
);
```

Data Insertion Queries

These queries inserted some sample data into these tables for use by the homework queries.

```
INSERT INTO users VALUES (1, 'Siddhesh Karekar', '1995-07-31');
INSERT INTO users VALUES (20, 'John Doe', 'April 1, 1992');
INSERT INTO users VALUES (21, 'Jane Doe', 'April 2, 1992');
INSERT INTO users VALUES (22, 'See Kwell', 'April 30, 1990');
-- movies
INSERT INTO movies VALUES (1, 'Lawn With The Wind', 'comedy', '2003-01-05');
INSERT INTO movies VALUES (2, '2+2=U', 'comedy', '2004-11-05');
INSERT INTO movies VALUES (3, 'Notebook', 'drama', '2006-03-12');
INSERT INTO movies VALUES (4, 'First Time at the Zoo', 'comedy', '2011-10-10');
INSERT INTO movies VALUES (5, 'The light is coming', 'mystery', '2015-12-15');
INSERT INTO movies VALUES (6, 'Really old movie', 'documentary', '2001-09-25');
-- reviews
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (20, 1, 10.0, 'Literally the best movie ever!');
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (20, 2, 9.2, 'Would watch again.');
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (20, 3, 5.0, 'Too sad!');
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (20, 4, 6.32);
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (20, 5, 10.0, 'Enlightenment is key!');
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (21, 2, 2.7, 'Terrible!');
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (21, 3, 8.1, 'I love this romance movie.');
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (22, 2, 7.2, 'This movie was nothing special.');
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (22, 3, 7.1, 'This movie was okay.');
INSERT INTO reviews VALUES (22, 6, 9.1, 'Epic movie.');
-- actors
INSERT INTO actors VALUES (1, 'Mark Clarkson', 'male', 'November 8, 1995');
INSERT INTO actors VALUES (2, 'Jack Drake', 'male', 'April 22, 1990');
INSERT INTO actors VALUES (3, 'Lava Shwava', 'female', 'July 30, 1994');
INSERT INTO actors VALUES (4, 'Margaret Tarmaset', 'female', 'December 31, 1989');
INSERT INTO actors VALUES (5, 'Julie Unroolie', 'female', 'August 3, 1961');
INSERT INTO actors VALUES (6, 'Relly Patelly', 'male', 'March 15, 1955');
-- lead
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (1, 1):
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (2, 1);
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (1, 2);
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (4, 2);
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (5, 2);
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (3, 3);
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (4, 3);
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (1, 4);
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (6, 4);
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (3, 4);
INSERT INTO lead VALUES (4, 4);
```

Homework Queries

(each query is listed on a separate page for clarity.)

Query 1

List the name(s) of the user(s) born in April who rated at most 8 for the movie 'Notebook'. Output their names sorted in descending order.

Answer

```
SELECT DISTINCT u.name
FROM users u, reviews r, movies m
WHERE u.id = r.user_id
AND EXTRACT(MONTH FROM u.date_of_birth) = 04
AND r.movie_id = m.id
AND r.rating <= 8.0
AND m.name = 'Notebook'
ORDER BY name DESC;</pre>
```

Explanation

- 1. We join 3 tables: users, reviews and movies and specify the conditions given:
 - MONTH in u.date_of_birth is 04 (April)
 - name of the movie is 'Notebook', and
 - rating is at most (or <=) 8.

Find user 'John Doe's favorite type of movie genre(s) based on his movie review ratings. List the name(s) and genre(s) of all the movie(s) under this/these movie genre(s) sorted them based on the movie genre then movie name in the ascending order.

```
Answer
```

```
SELECT name, genre
FROM movies
WHERE genre IN (
      SELECT m.genre
      FROM users u, reviews r, movies m
      WHERE u.id = r.user_id
      AND u.name = 'John Doe'
      AND r.movie_id = m.id
      GROUP BY m.genre
      HAVING AVG(r.rating) = (
            SELECT MAX(avg)
            FROM (
                  SELECT m.genre, AVG(r.rating)
                  FROM users u, reviews r, movies m
                  WHERE u.id = r.user_id
                  AND u.name = 'John Doe'
                  AND r.movie_id = m.id
                  GROUP BY m.genre) john_genre_rating))
ORDER BY genre ASC, name ASC;
```

Explanation

- 1. First, let us
 - join users, reviews and movies, then
 - filter user name to be 'John Doe'
 - group by movie genre
 - and project the genre and AVG(rating)

as follows. This lets us get an idea of how much John likes each genre on an average.

```
SELECT m.genre, AVG(r.rating)
FROM users u, reviews r, movies m
WHERE u.id = r.user_id
AND u.name = 'John Doe'
AND r.movie_id = m.id
GROUP BY m.genre;
```

2. Now, let us select the highest rating from the above table by wrapping the above query in MAX.

```
SELECT MAX(avg)
FROM (
         SELECT m.genre, AVG(r.rating)
         FROM users u, reviews r, movies m
         WHERE u.id = r.user_id
         AND u.name = 'John Doe'
         AND r.movie_id = m.id
         GROUP BY m.genre) john_genre_rating;
```

3. Now, we must repeat step 1 and use HAVING to retain only those genres which are equal to the MAX(avg) rating. We can remove rating from the projection and only keep genre. This leaves us a list of only John's favorite genres.

4. Finally, project name and genres from the movies table while genre lies in the output of the above query, and ORDER BY genre then name as given in the question to yield the final query.

```
SELECT name, genre
FROM movies
WHERE genre IN (
      SELECT m.genre
      FROM users u, reviews r, movies m
      WHERE u.id = r.user_id
      AND u.name = 'John Doe'
      AND r.movie_id = m.id
      GROUP BY m.genre
      HAVING AVG(r.rating) = (
            SELECT MAX(avg)
            FROM (
                  SELECT m.genre, AVG(r.rating)
                  FROM users u, reviews r, movies m
                  WHERE u.id = r.user_id
                  AND u.name = 'John Doe'
                  AND r.movie id = m.id
                  GROUP BY m.genre) john_genre_rating))
ORDER BY genre ASC, name ASC;
```

List the movie ID(s) with most male lead. Sort the IDs in descending order.

Answer

Explanation

1. We can first list the number of male leads per movie by joining the tables movies, lead and actors as follows:

```
SELECT 1.movie_id, COUNT(1.actor_id) no_of_leads
FROM movies m, lead 1, actors a
WHERE m.id = 1.movie_id
AND 1.actor_id = a.id
AND a.gender = 'male'
GROUP BY 1.movie_id;
```

2. Now, we find what is the maximum possible number of male leads in the given data by using the MAX function:

```
SELECT MAX(no_of_leads)
FROM (SELECT l.movie_id, COUNT(l.actor_id) no_of_leads
        FROM movies m, lead l, actors a
        WHERE m.id = l.movie_id
        AND l.actor_id = a.id
        AND a.gender = 'male'
        GROUP BY l.movie_id) movie_lead_count;
```

3. Finally, we join the three original tables again, but this time add a HAVING clause and make sure the no_of_leads is equal to the maximum value obtained in Step 2, to generate our final answer:

List the name(s) of all comedy movie(s) that were released before 2006 and have review rating better than average rating of all movies, sorted in ascending order.

Note: You should compute the average of movie average ratings, not the average of all ratings. E.g. movie A got reviews 10, 10, and 10, and movie B got just one 6, the result should be ((10 + 10 + 10) / 3 + 6) / 2 = 8, instead of (10 + 10 + 10 + 6) / 4 = 9.

Answer

Explanation

1. First, let us find the average rating for each movie by using the AVG() function and the movie_id in the GROUP BY clause.

```
SELECT r.movie_id, AVG(r.rating) movie_avg_rating
FROM movies m, reviews r
WHERE m.id = r.movie_id
GROUP BY r.movie_id;
```

2. Now, we must find the average of these ratings to find the average rating of all movies.

```
SELECT AVG(movie_avg_rating) avg_movie_rating FROM (SELECT r.movie_id, AVG(r.rating)
movie_avg_rating
    FROM movies m, reviews r
    WHERE m.id = r.movie_id
    GROUP BY r.movie_id) movie_avg_ratings;
```

3. Finally, we join the movies and reviews tables, apply the filters for release_date to be before 2006 and genre to be 'comedy', also we only want those movies with reviews that have ratings better than the average rating found in the second query; finally ORDER BY in ASC name order.

Due to multiple reviews being present, name can be returned multiple times hence we use DISTINCT.

List the movie ID(s) and average review(s) where the average review is higher than 9 and one of their leading actors is the actor 'Mark Clarkson'. Sort the output by average reviews and then movie IDs.

Answer

Explanation

- 1. First, let us find all movie_ids where 'Mark Clarkson' is an actor. We can do this by:
 - joining lead and actors on actor_id,
 - retaining those rows where actor name is 'Mark Clarkson', and
 - projecting only DISTINCT movie_ids.

```
SELECT DISTINCT l.movie_id
FROM lead l, actors a
WHERE l.actor_id = a.id
AND a.name = 'Mark Clarkson';
```

2. Now, similar to step 1 of Query 4, we can write a query to list movie_id and their average rating sorted by reviews and ids, and then use a HAVING clause with AVG(rating) > 9 as follows:

```
SELECT r.movie_id, AVG(r.rating) movie_avg_rating
FROM movies m, reviews r
WHERE m.id = r.movie_id
GROUP BY r.movie_id
HAVING AVG(r.rating) > 9
ORDER BY movie_avg_rating, r.movie_id;
```

3. Finally, we combine Step 1 and Step 2, by limiting the rows in Step 2 to contain ids only from the first (i.e., only those movies that have 'Mark Clarkson' in the lead.) This results in the final query being

Find the actors who played the lead together the most. Display these their names and the number of times they played the lead together.

Note: The resulting table must show both actors info in the same row (Actor1 and Actor2). This might result in duplicate data where two rows might have the same actors but in different columns.

```
Answer
```

```
SELECT al.name, a2.name
FROM actors a1, actors a2, (
      SELECT 11.actor_id actor1_id, 12.actor_id actor2_id, COUNT(11.movie_id)
costar_count
     FROM lead 11, lead 12
      WHERE 11.movie_id = 12.movie_id
      AND l1.actor_id <> l2.actor_id
      GROUP BY 11.actor_id, 12.actor_id
      HAVING COUNT(l1.movie_id) = (
            SELECT MAX(costar_count)
            FROM (
                  SELECT 11.actor_id actor1_id, 12.actor_id actor2_id,
COUNT(11.movie_id) costar_count
                  FROM lead 11, lead 12
                  WHERE 11.movie_id = 12.movie_id
                  AND 11.actor_id <> 12.actor_id
                  GROUP BY 11.actor_id, 12.actor_id) leads_costar)) leads_costar_max
WHERE a1.id = leads_costar_max.actor1_id
AND a2.id = leads_costar_max.actor2_id;
Explanation
```

1. Let us start off simple. Say we want to list all pairs of lead actors for each movie_id, we can join the lead table with itself on movie_id and making sure actor_id is unequal.

```
SELECT 11.movie_id, 11.actor_id, 12.actor_id
FROM lead 11, lead 12
WHERE 11.movie_id = 12.movie_id
AND 11.actor_id <> 12.actor_id;
```

2. We can further modify this query to COUNT movie_ids by having the combination (actor1_id, actor2_id) in the GROUP BY clause. This lets us see how many movies does a pair of actors star in.

```
SELECT 11.actor_id actor1_id, 12.actor_id actor2_id, COUNT(11.movie_id) costar_count
FROM lead 11, lead 12
WHERE 11.movie_id = 12.movie_id
AND 11.actor_id <> 12.actor_id
GROUP BY 11.actor_id, 12.actor_id;
```

3. Now we can use the above query and extract the maximum number of times a lead pair co-stars.

```
SELECT MAX(costar_count)
FROM (
          SELECT l1.actor_id actor1_id, l2.actor_id actor2_id, COUNT(l1.movie_id)
costar_count
          FROM lead l1, lead l2
          WHERE l1.movie_id = l2.movie_id
```

```
AND l1.actor_id <> l2.actor_id
GROUP BY l1.actor_id, l2.actor_id) leads_costar;
```

4. We can modify Step 2 and add a HAVING clause to retain only those lead pairs with a costar_count equal to the MAX(costar_count) retrieved in Step 3.

5. Finally, join the above query with the actors table to retrieve their names instead of ids and get rid of the costar_count as it is not asked for in the question.

To do this, we need to have two copies of actors in the FROM clause (aliased here as a1 and a2), since each actor_id needs its own copy of actors to get the corresponding name.

This results in the final query being:

```
SELECT al.name, a2.name
FROM actors a1, actors a2, (
      SELECT 11.actor_id actor1_id, 12.actor_id actor2_id, COUNT(l1.movie_id)
costar_count
      FROM lead 11, lead 12
      WHERE 11.movie_id = 12.movie_id
      AND l1.actor_id <> l2.actor_id
      GROUP BY 11.actor_id, 12.actor_id
      HAVING COUNT(l1.movie_id) = (
            SELECT MAX(costar_count)
            FROM (
                  SELECT 11.actor_id actor1_id, 12.actor_id actor2_id,
COUNT(l1.movie_id) costar_count
                  FROM lead 11, lead 12
                  WHERE 11.movie_id = 12.movie_id
                  AND l1.actor_id <> l2.actor_id
                  GROUP BY 11.actor_id, 12.actor_id) leads_costar)) leads_costar_max
WHERE a1.id = leads_costar_max.actor1_id
AND a2.id = leads_costar_max.actor2_id;
```

This concludes the assignment.