

Lecture 3 Notes

SQL Queries

Discussion Points:

- ❖ SQL: SELECT Statement
 - ❖ SQL: Restricting Data
 - ❖ SQL: Sorting Data
 - ❖ SQL: Single-Row Functions
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❖ SQL: SELECT Statement

- *Writing SQL Statements*

- SQL statements are not case sensitive.
- SQL statements can be on one or more lines.
- Keywords cannot be abbreviated or split across lines.
- Clauses are usually placed on separate lines.
- Indents are used to enhance readability.

- *Basic Select Statement*

Example:

```
SELECT *|{[DISTINCT] column|expression [alias],...}  
FROM table;
```

- *Selecting All Columns*

Example:

```
SELECT *  
FROM departments;
```

- *Selecting Specific Columns*

Example:

```
SELECT department_id, location_id  
FROM departments;
```

- *Arithmetic Expressions*

Operator	Description
+	Add
-	Subtract
*	Multiply
/	Divide

- *Using Arithmetic Expressions*

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, salary, salary + 300  
FROM employees;
```

- *Operator Precedence*

- Multiplication and division take priority over addition and subtraction.
- Operators of the same priority are evaluated from left to right.

- Parentheses are used to force prioritized evaluation and to clarify statements.



Example:

```
SELECT last_name, salary, 12*salary+100  
FROM employees;
```

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, salary, 12*(salary+100)  
FROM employees;
```

- *NULL Values*
 - A null is a value that is unavailable, unassigned, unknown, or inapplicable.
 - A null is not the same as zero or a blank space.
 - Arithmetic expressions containing a null value evaluate to null.

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, 12*salary*commission_pct  
FROM employees;
```

LAST_NAME	12*SALARY*COMMISSION_PCT
King	
Kochhar	
...	
Zlotkey	25200
Abel	39600
Taylor	20640
...	
Gietz	

- *A column alias:*
 - Renames a column heading.
 - Is useful with calculations.
 - Immediately follows the column name - there can also be the optional AS keyword between the column name and alias.
 - Requires double quotation marks if it contains spaces or special characters or is case sensitive.

Example:

SELECT last_name AS name, commission_pct comm FROM employees;

NAME	COMM
King	
Kochhar	
De Haan	

Example:

**SELECT last_name "Name", salary*12 "Annual Salary"
FROM employees;**

Name	Annual Salary
King	288000
Kochhar	204000
De Haan	204000

- *A concatenation operator:*
 - Concatenates columns or character strings to other columns.
 - Is represented by two vertical bars (||).
 - Creates a resultant column that is a character expression.

Example:

**SELECT last_name||job_id AS "Employees"
FROM employees;**

Employees
KingAD_PRES
KochharAD_VP
De HaanAD_VP
HunoldIT_PROG
ErnstIT_PROG
LorentzIT_PROG
MourgosST_MAN
RajsST_CLERK

- *Literal Character Strings*
 - A literal is a character, a number, or a date included in the SELECT list.
 - Date and character literal values must be enclosed within single quotation marks.
 - Each character string is output once for each row returned.

Example:

**SELECT last_name || ' is a '||job_id
AS "Employee Details"
FROM employees;**

- *Duplicate Rows:*
 - The default display of queries is all rows, including duplicate rows.
 - Eliminating Duplicate Rows

Example:

```
SELECT DISTINCT department_id  
FROM employees;
```

❖ **SQL: Restricting Data**

- *Restrict the rows returned by using the WHERE clause.*

```
SELECT *{[[DISTINCT] column|expression [alias],...}  
FROM table  
[WHERE condition(s)];
```

Example:

```
SELECT employee_id, last_name, job_id, department_id  
FROM employees  
WHERE department_id = 90 ;
```

- *Character / Date Values*
 - Character strings and date values are enclosed in single quotation marks.
 - Character values are case sensitive, and date values are format sensitive.
 - The default date format is DD-MON-RR.

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, job_id, department_id  
FROM employees  
WHERE last_name = 'Whalen';
```

Operator	Meaning
=	Equal to
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal to
<>	Not equal to

- *Using Comparison Conditions*

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, salary  
FROM employees  
WHERE salary <= 3000;
```

- *Other Comparison Conditions*

Operator	Meaning
BETWEEN ...AND...	Between two values (inclusive),
IN (set)	Match any of a list of values
LIKE	Match a character pattern
IS NULL	Is a null value

- *Use the BETWEEN condition to display rows based on a range of values.*

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, salary  
FROM employees  
WHERE salary BETWEEN 2500 AND 3500;
```

- *Use the IN membership condition to test for values in a list.*

Example:

```
SELECT employee_id, last_name, salary, manager_id  
FROM employees  
WHERE manager_id IN (100, 101, 201);
```

- *Use the LIKE condition to perform wildcard searches of valid search string values.*
 - Search conditions can contain either literal characters or numbers:
 - % denotes zero or many characters.
 - _ denotes one character.

Example:

```
SELECT first_name  
FROM employees  
WHERE first_name LIKE 'S%';
```

- *Pattern Matching*

Example:

```
SELECT last_name  
FROM employees  
WHERE last_name LIKE '_o%';
```

- *Using NULL Conditions*

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, manager_id  
FROM employees  
WHERE manager_id IS NULL;
```

- *Logical Conditions*

Operator	Meaning
AND	Returns TRUE if <i>both</i> component conditions are true
OR	Returns TRUE if <i>either</i> component condition is true
NOT	Returns TRUE if the following condition is false

- *AND Example*

Example:

```
SELECT employee_id, last_name, job_id, salary  
FROM employees  
WHERE salary >= 10000  
AND job_id LIKE '%MAN%';
```

- *OR Example*

Example:

```
SELECT employee_id, last_name, job_id, salary  
FROM employees  
WHERE salary >= 10000  
OR job_id LIKE '%MAN%';
```

- *NOT Example*

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, job_id
FROM employees
WHERE job_id
NOT IN ('IT_PROG', 'ST_CLERK', 'SA_REP');
```

- *Rules of Precedence*

Order Evaluated	Operator
1	Arithmetic operators
2	Concatenation operator
3	Comparison conditions
4	IS [NOT] NULL, LIKE, [NOT] IN
5	[NOT] BETWEEN
6	NOT logical condition
7	AND logical condition
8	OR logical condition

```
SELECT last_name, job_id, salary
FROM employees
WHERE job_id = 'SA_REP'
OR job_id = 'AD_PRES'
AND salary > 15000;
```

```
SELECT last_name, job_id, salary
FROM employees
WHERE (job_id = 'SA_REP'
OR job_id = 'AD_PRES')
AND salary > 15000;
```

❖ SQL: Sorting Data

- *ORDER BY Clause*
 - Sort rows with the ORDER BY clause
 - ASC: ascending order, default
 - DESC: descending order
 - The ORDER BY clause comes last in the SELECT statement.

```
SELECT *{[DISTINCT] column/expression [alias],...}
FROM table
[WHERE condition(s)]
[ORDER BY {column, expr, alias} [ASC/DESC]];
```


- *Sorting by Ascending Order*

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, job_id, department_id, hire_date  
FROM employees  
ORDER BY hire_date ;
```

- *Sorting by Descending Order*

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, job_id, department_id, hire_date  
FROM employees  
ORDER BY hire_date DESC ;
```

- *Sorting by Column Alias*

Example:

```
SELECT employee_id, last_name, salary*12 annsal  
FROM employees  
ORDER BY annsal;
```

- *Sorting by Multiple Columns*

- You can sort by a column that is not in the SELECT list.

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, department_id, salary  
FROM employees  
ORDER BY department_id, salary DESC;
```

❖ **SQL: Single-Row Functions**

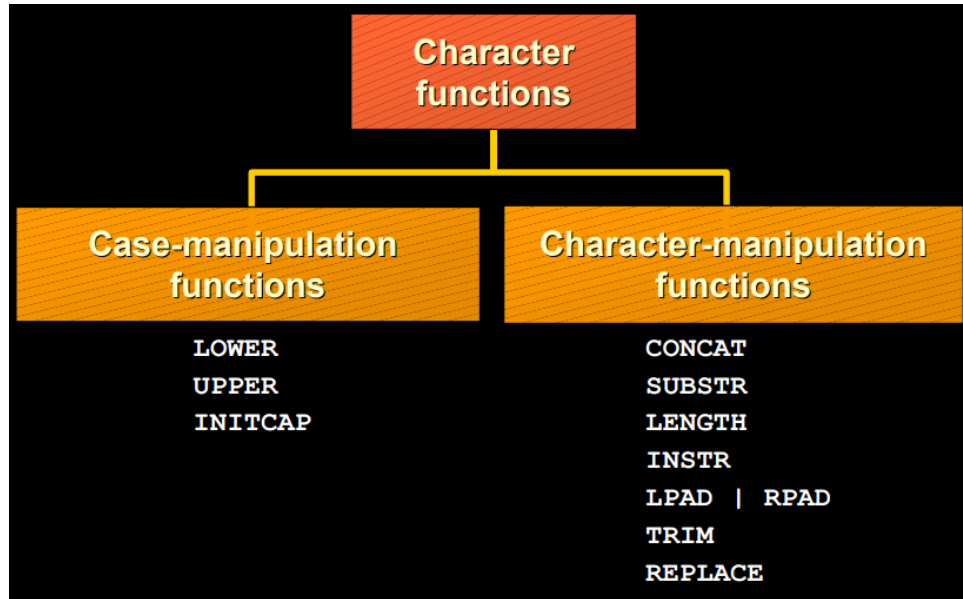
- *Single Row Functions*

- Manipulate data items
- Accept arguments and return one value
- Act on each row returned
- Return one result per row
- May modify the data type
- Can be nested
- Accept arguments which can be a column or an expression

- *Single Row Function Types:*

- General
- Character
- Number
- Date
- Conversion

- Character Functions



- Case Manipulation Functions

Function	Result
LOWER('SQL Course')	sql course
UPPER('SQL Course')	SQL COURSE
INITCAP('SQL Course')	Sql Course

Example:

```

SELECT employee_id, last_name, department_id
FROM employees
WHERE LOWER(last_name) = 'higgins';
  
```

- Character-Manipulation Functions

Function	Result
CONCAT('Hello', 'World')	HelloWorld
SUBSTR('HelloWorld', 1, 5)	Hello
LENGTH('HelloWorld')	10
INSTR('HelloWorld', 'W')	6
LPAD(salary, 10, '*')	*****24000
RPAD(salary, 10, '*')	24000*****
TRIM('H' FROM 'HelloWorld')	elloWorld

Example:

```

SELECT employee_id, CONCAT(first_name, last_name) NAME,
job_id, LENGTH(last_name),
INSTR(last_name, 'a') "Contains 'a'?"
FROM employees
WHERE SUBSTR(job_id, 4) = 'REP';
  
```

- *Number Functions*

- *ROUND*: Rounds value to specified decimal
ROUND(45.926, 2) -> 45.93

Example:

```
SELECT ROUND(45.923,2), ROUND(45.923,0),  
ROUND(45.923,-1)  
FROM DUAL;
```

ROUND(45.923,2)	ROUND(45.923,0)	ROUND(45.923,-1)
45.92	46	50

- *TRUNC*: Truncates value to specified decimal
TRUNC(45.926, 2) -> 45.92

Example:

```
SELECT TRUNC(45.923,2), TRUNC(45.923),  
TRUNC(45.923,-2)  
FROM DUAL;
```

TRUNC(45.923,2)	TRUNC(45.923)	TRUNC(45.923,-2)
45.92	45	0

- *MOD*: Returns remainder of division
MOD(1600, 300) -> 100

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, salary, MOD(salary, 5000)  
FROM employees  
WHERE job_id = 'SA_REP';
```

LAST_NAME	SALARY	MOD(SALARY,5000)
Abel	11000	1000
Taylor	8600	3600
Grant	7000	2000

- *Date Functions*

Function	Description
MONTHS_BETWEEN	Number of months between two dates
ADD_MONTHS	Add calendar months to date
NEXT_DAY	Next day of the date specified
LAST_DAY	Last day of the month
ROUND	Round date
TRUNC	Truncate date

Examples:

- MONTHS_BETWEEN ('01-SEP-95','11-JAN-94') -> 19.6774194
 - ADD_MONTHS ('11-JAN-94',6) -> '11-JUL-94'
 - NEXT_DAY ('01-SEP-95','FRIDAY') -> '08-SEP-95'
 - LAST_DAY('01-FEB-95') -> '28-FEB-95'

 - Assume SYSDATE = '25-JUL-95':
 - ROUND(SYSDATE,'MONTH') -> 01-AUG-95
 - ROUND(SYSDATE,'YEAR') -> 01-JAN-96
 - TRUNC(SYSDATE,'MONTH') -> 01-JUL-95
 - TRUNC(SYSDATE,'YEAR') -> 01-JAN-95
- Arithmetic with Date
 - Add or subtract a number to or from a date for a resultant date value.
 - Subtract two dates to find the number of days between those dates.
 - Add hours to a date by dividing the number of hours by 24.

Example:

```
SELECT last_name, (SYSDATE-hire_date)/7 AS WEEKS  
FROM employees  
WHERE department_id = 90;
```

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