Instagram User Analytics

This project uses SQL to analyze user interactions and engagement data on Instagram to provide insights for the product team to improve the app.

Tech-Stack Used: MySQL 8.0 CE

- 1. User Friendly
- 2. Performance
- 3. Open Source

The tasks encompass marketing analysis, including the identification of loyal users, encouragement of inactive users, declaration of contest winners, and exploration of popular hashtags. Furthermore, investor metrics are scrutinized to evaluate user engagement levels and identify possible instances of fake accounts.

- Loyal Users
- Inactive Users
- Contest Winner
- Hashtag Research
- Ad Campaign
- User Engagement
- Bots & Fake Accounts

Marketing Analysis

1.Loyal Users

The marketing team wants to reward the most loyal users, i.e., those who have been using the platform for the longest time.

Task: Identify the five oldest users on Instagram from the provided database.

Analysis

The task is to display the five oldest instagram users. We may approach the question by selecting the users based on the date of creation in ascending order which would display the oldest at the top and only show the top 5, ie. the oldest 5.

QUERY

SELECT

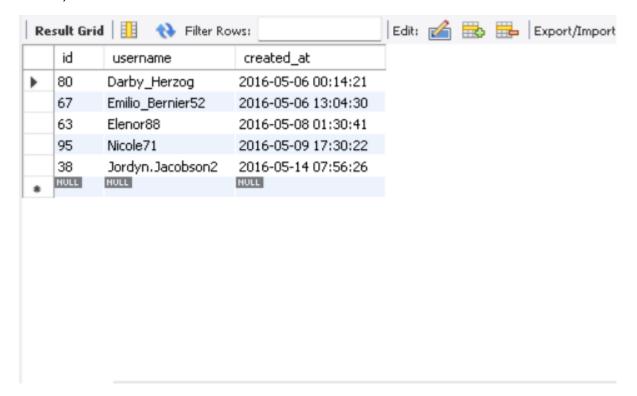
id, username, created_at

FROM

users

ORDER BY created_at

LIMIT 5;



2.Inactive User Engagement

The team wants to encourage inactive users to start posting by sending them promotional emails.

Task: Identify users who have never posted a single photo on Instagram.

Analysis

The required attributes are scattered across more than one table for this task. We have to approach the problem by utilising inner joins to avoid the errors caused by Non aggregated columns during group by. We find the Id of the photo with the highest like count by using count and group by and joins the username and user id of the user from the users table using inner joins.

QUERY

SELECT

users.id AS 'Inactive IDs',

users.username AS 'Inactive Usernames'

FROM

users

LEFT JOIN

photos ON photos.user_id = users.id

WHERE

photos.id IS NULL

GROUP BY users.id;

Result Grid		Nilter Rows:
	Inactive IDs	Inactive Usernames
•	5	Aniya_Hackett
	7	Kasandra_Homenick
	14	Jaclyn81
	21	Rocio33
	24	Maxwell.Halvorson
	25	Tierra.Trantow
	34	Pearl7
	36	Ollie_Ledner37
	41	Mckenna17
	45	David.Osinski47
	49	Morgan.Kassulke
	53	Linnea59
	54	Duane60
	57	Julien Schmidt

3.Contest Winner Declaration

The team has organized a contest where the user with the most likes on a single photo wins.

Task: Determine the winner of the contest and provide their details to the team

Analysis

The required attributes are scattered across more than one table for this task. We have to approach the problem by utilising inner joins to avoid the errors caused by Non aggregated columns during group by. We find the Id of the photo with the highest like count by using count and group by and joins the username and user id of the user from the users table using inner joins.

QUERY

SELECT

users.username AS Winner, users.id, likes.photo_id

FROM

likes

INNER JOIN

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photos ON photos.id = likes.photo_id

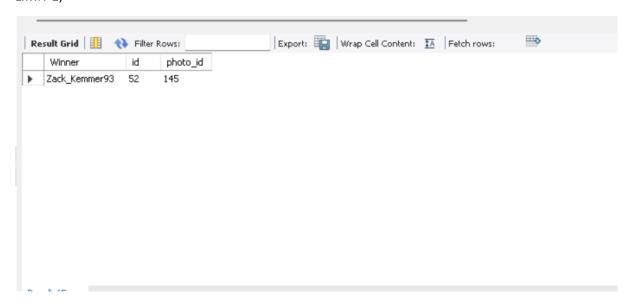
INNER JOIN

users ON users.id = photos.user_id

GROUP BY likes.photo_id

ORDER BY COUNT(photo_id) DESC

LIMIT 1;
```



4. Hashtag Research

A partner brand wants to know the most popular hashtags to use in their posts to reach the most people.

Task: Identify and suggest the top five most commonly used hashtags on the platform.

Analysis

To identify the top five most used hashtags on the platform, we use Common Table Expression. The CTE also uses a nested query that counts the occurrences of each hash tag in the table and assigns a rank to each tag based on its count or repetitions, with the highest count receiving a rank of 1. The outer query then filters the results to include only the top five ranked tags.

QUERY

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WITH CTE AS (

SELECT tag_id,ranking

FROM(

SELECT tag_id,

RANK() OVER(ORDER BY count(tag_id) DESC) AS Ranking

FROM photo_tags
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GROUP BY tag_id

) AS RankingTable

WHERE ranking <= 5

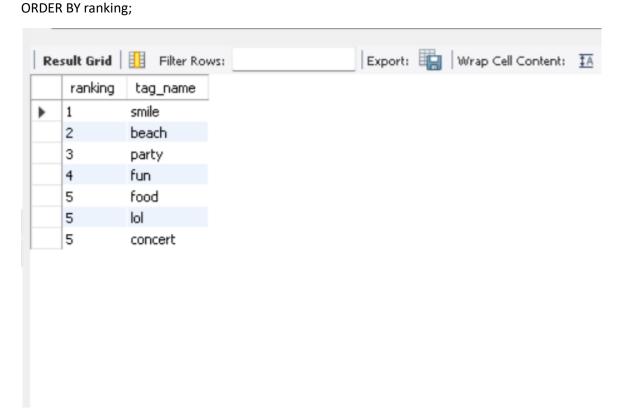
)

SELECT CTE.ranking, tags.tag_name

FROM CTE

INNER JOIN tags

ON CTE.tag_id=tags.id
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5.Ad Campaign Launch

The team wants to know the best day of the week to launch ads.

Task: Determine the day of the week when most users register on Instagram. Provide insights on when to schedule an ad campaign.

Analysis

To find the day with the most number of registrations we may arrange the value in descending order by the count or number of registrations per each day of the week. Limiting the value to show only 1, ie. only the largest count or highest number of registrations will give us the best day for and Ad Campaign.

QUERY

SELECT

DAYNAME(created_at) AS `Best day for Ads`

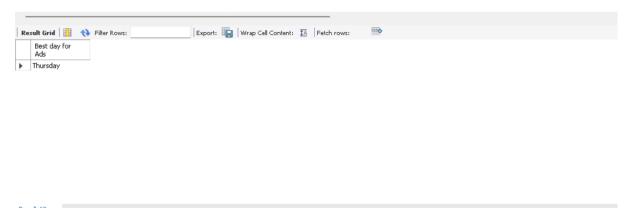
FROM

users

GROUP BY 'Best day for Ads'

ORDER BY COUNT(DAYNAME(created_at)) DESC

LIMIT 1;



INVESTOR METRICS

1.User Engagement

Investors want to know if users are still active and posting on Instagram or if they are making fewer posts.

Task: Calculate the average number of posts per user on Instagram. Also, provide the total number of photos on Instagram divided by the total number of users.

Analysis

In order to find the Average number of posts per user we may divide the total number of posts by total number of users. But the problem we run into is that we do not have the table indicating the number of photos per user Id but instead as who posted which photo. So we have to find the sum of number of photos per user Id, but we cannot find the sum of the count of photos per used Id in one single statement leading to the use of a derived table wherein we first calculate the count or number of posts per user Id and then find its sum.

QUERY

SELECT

SUM(posts) / COUNT(posts) AS `Average number of posts per user`

FROM

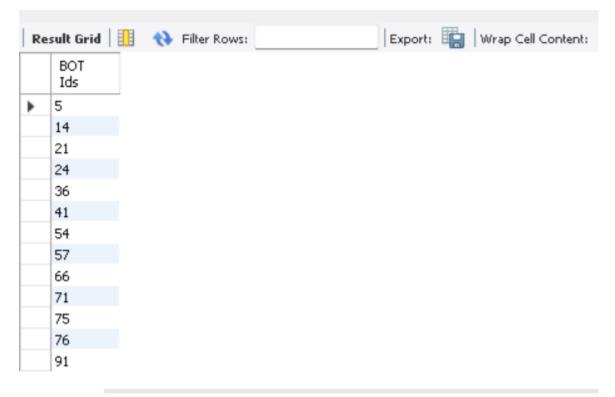
```
(SELECT

COUNT(user_id) AS posts

FROM

photos

GROUP BY user_id) AS t1;
```



2.Bots & Fake Accounts

Investors want to know if the platform is crowded with fake and dummy accounts.

Task: Identify users (potential bots) who have liked every single photo on the site, as this is not typically possible for a normal user.

Analysis

We are given the guideline to mark user Ids who have liked every single photo as such a feat is not possible by a regular user. We may filter the user Ids with number of occurences in the photos, indicating the number or count of likes, that are equal to the maximum value of photo Id which should be the value of the last photo id, so logically it should give the number of photos in total.

QUERY

```
SELECT

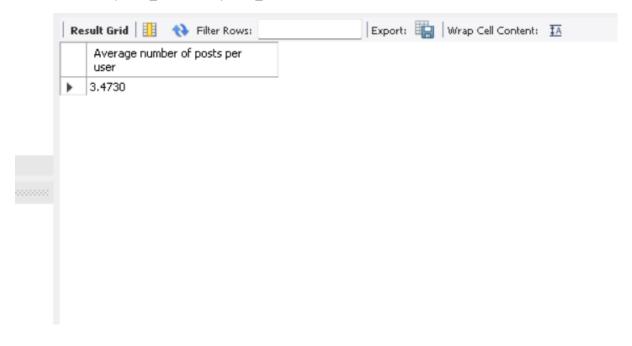
user_id AS `BOT Ids`

FROM

likes
```

GROUP BY user_id

HAVING COUNT(photo_id) = MAX(photo_id);



INSIGHTS

Accomplished all assigned tasks in the project, delivering actionable insights for both the marketing and investor teams. The analysis provides valuable data for decision-making, including strategies for retaining users, promotional approaches, and maintaining platform integrity. The project deepens comprehension of user interactions on Instagram, opening avenues for data-driven decisions and potential enhancements to the application.

RESULT

- Deep understanding of the topic
- Improved problem-solving skills
- Increased confidence