

SQL Tutorials - wk 1

SELECT col1, col2... **FROM** Table name;
*: all columns

WHERE condition;

Numerical
conditions : $=, <, >, \leq, \geq$
BETWEEN 10 AND 20
IN (A, B, C)

WHERE cond1 **AND** cond2 ; & multiple condition
checking.

'Strings'

\hookrightarrow are case-sensitive (though SQL queries aren't case-sensitive)

LIKE % : any # of chars

- : 1 position char

ILIKE (case-insensitive LIKE)

substring, position

~* (for regex)

Not covered in wk 1!
(self-research)

SQL Tutorials - week 2 - Aggregates & Dates

Aggregates

COUNT(*) : count all rows

COUNT(DISTINCT column)

↳ count # of ~~distinct~~ unique ~~co~~ values in column.

MIN(column), MAX(column), AVG(column), SUM(column)

minimum

maximum

average

total sum

Multiple Aggregates

SELECT MIN(temp), MAX(temp) FROM observations;

SELECT AVG(temp), AVG(speed) FROM observations;

Ordering - Order By

↳ by highest marks

most recent date (chronological)

lowest price

alphabetical

~~order by descending~~ DESC : highest to lowest

~~order by ascending~~ ASC : lowest to highest (default)

order by multiple columns.

ORDER BY obsdate, city; ? among observations with same

ASC obsdate, order by city name (alphabetical)
(oldest → newest) DESC (Z → A)

Dates [YYYY-MM-DD] ← ISO Date format

range: BETWEEN '2020-01-01' AND '2020-12-31';

today = CURRENT_DATE

Common SQL Errors

↳ AND/OR ~~부정적 사용~~

↳ 날짜 valid인지 ~~제공하기!~~

↳ (convention ~~etc~~)

SQL Tutorials - Week 3 - Summarising

`LIMIT 10;` : retrieve only the top 10 rows

Random Sampling

$\Rightarrow \text{ORDER BY random(); LIMIT 30;}$

Top n-queries

ex) top 3 windiest days in sydney.

`SELECT ^ FROM observations`

`WHERE city = 'Sydney'`

`ORDER BY wind-speed DESC LIMIT 3;`

windiest \rightarrow less wind

Renaming columns

`SELECT col1 AS "renamed col1" FROM ...`

adding constants:

`SELECT 'celsius' AS "unit"` \Rightarrow

celsius	:
Celsius	:
celsius	:
	?

Converting Data Values

celsius \rightarrow fahrenheit

`Select air-temp * 9/5 + 32 AS "temperature (°F)"`

ROUND(num, precision)

$1 = 0/0.1f$

|| : string concatenation \curvearrowleft might need to cast numerical values
first to string then concatenate

TO_CHAR(date, "format")

\hookrightarrow "DD Mon YYYY" = 23 Feb 2003

Categorising CASE

`WHEN <cond 1> THEN 'category 1'`

`WHEN <cond 2> THEN 'cat 2'`

`ELSE 'cat 3'`

`END AS "category"`

ordering by :

Category `ORDER BY "category", "renamed col 2"`

SQL Tutorials - Week 4 - Joins

Joins

From Stations, Organisations

WHERE Stations.stowner = Organisations.code



Table alias

From Stations [S], Measurements [M]

Natural Join (X)

* unlike equality join, common attribute appears only once!
must have same attr name

Inner Join

~~Outer Join~~

attr. with different names

From Stations Join Organisations on (stowner = code);
Using (station)

From Stations Join Measurements Using (station)
explicit natural join

Self-Join

Ex) Stations commenced before 'Murray River at Denquin'

Select B.site, B.commence, B.stowner

From Stations A, Stations B

~~Outer~~ (X) cartesian product

where A.commence > B.commence;

AND A.site = 'Denquin';

technically these are
join conditions

SQL Tutorials - wk 5 - Data Cleaning

Dealing with ~~inconsistencies~~ inconsistencies

- spelling errors & capitalisation (NSW vs nsw vs New South Wales)
- missing values (NULL, n/a)
- special values (NaN, infinity)
- inconsistent data format (numbers written in string)

UPPER / LOWER() : solves case-sensitivity issues

combine : `LOWER(__) IN (a,b,c);`

LIKE ' ' : pattern matching

[% : any string, _ : placeholder for one character
note that LIKE is case-sensitive]

REGEXP with ..

- SIMILAR TO (in pgsql)

] not examinable, look into it later :)

NULL (unknown/missing values)

simply missing?
placeholder intended?

~~if "FO" : 10" IS NULL = false~~
~~"O" IS NULL = false~~

3-valued logic

interesting 3-value logic exprs

- NULL OR TRUE = T
- NULL AND FALSE = F
- NOT (NULL) = unknown

↳ Aggregate functions simply ignore NULL values.

Displaying null : ~~use NULL~~ `ENULL` ↳ prevents confusion with ''
empty string.

Coalesce(val, 'unknown')

↳ if num needs to be casted to string by ::text.

Placeholders (-, --, !, ", n/a)

↳ replace to NULL by case-when.

↳ If placeholders have been removed, cast them to appropriate type.

↳ inconsistencies

`CAST (col AS FLOAT)`

SQL Tutorials wk 6 (+wk)

Database Design

Outer Joins

- includes all rows from one table,
- + matching rows of other table. (nulls if no matching row)
- * Unlike inner join, outer join keeps non-matching rows in retrieval.

Data Manipulation - Insert / Update / Delete

- Insert Into <table> (attr order) optional
VALUES (col1, col2 ...)
- UPDATE <table> SET <expr> attr=(val) WHERE <condition> ↗ returns # of rows affected
- DELETE FROM <table> WHERE <cond>

Tables / constraints

• Attributes SMALLINT, INT, FLOAT, CHAR(n), VARCHAR(n)

• consistency constraints: NOT NULL, PRIMARY KEY, UNIQUE, CHECK (expr), DEFAULT

• Foreign key: REFERENCES <table>(attr)
↑
value must exist in parent table
also exist in

DROP TABLE <table> IF EXISTS;

SET OPERATORS (not joins)

UNION

INTERSECT

EXCEPT

Select colA FROM TABLEA

(set operator)

Select colA FROM TABLEB

(union all) keeps duplicates

intersect all

except all

Views

CREATE VIEW <view name> AS <query>;

"nothing stored, dynamically fetched"

DROP VIEW <view name>;

SQL Tutorials - wk 7 Subqueries

Subqueries in WHERE clause

WHERE value \in (SELECT aggregate From...)

WHERE value \in (SELECT column From...)

EXISTS / NOT EXISTS

SELECT * FROM TABLES S

WHERE EXISTS (SELECT FROM query)

Co-related vs Non-co-related

alias 3rd run query only needed co-related

SQL Tutorials - wk 8 Grouping

GROUP BY

Only those attributes that defines the group and the aggregates can be displayed (fetched)

HAVING : checks condition for groups.