

## SUB QUERIES

A subquery or Inner query or a Nested query is a query within another query and embedded within another query the WHERE clause.

Subqueries can be used with the SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE and DELETE statements along with the operators like =, <, >, <=, >=, IN, BETWEEN etc.

### → RULES THAT SUBQUERIES MUST FOLLOW

- 1) Subqueries must be enclosed within parenthesis.
- 2) A subquery can have only one column in the SELECT clause, unless multiple columns are in the main query.
- 3) An ORDER BY command cannot be used in a subquery; although the main query can use an ORDER BY. The GROUP BY command can be used to perform the same function as the ORDER BY in subquery.
- 4) Subqueries that return more than one row can only be used with multiple value operators such as the IN operator.
- 5) The BETWEEN operator cannot be used with a subquery. However, the BETWEEN operator can be used within a subquery.

### → CO-RELATED SUB QUERY

- \* A query is called co-related sub query when both the inner query and the outer query are interdependent.
- \* For every row processed by their inner query, the outer query is processed as well.
- \* The inner query depends on the outer query before it can be processed,

Ex: Lets select all employees whose salary is less than the avg of all the employees salaries in the same department.

```
SELECT ENAME, SAL, DEPTNO FROM EMP A WHERE
A.SAL < (SELECT AVG (SAL) FROM EMP B WHERE
B.DEPTNO = A.DEPTNO) ORDER BY DEPTNO.
```

- 2) Write a query to display EMPNO and count how many times repeated.

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SELECT EMPNO, COUNT(EMPNO) FROM EMP GROUP
BY EMPNO;
```

- 3) Write a query to display all duplicate ID's and how many people has repeated. <TN>

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SELECT ID, COUNT(ID) FROM NSR-CUST GROUP
BY ID HAVING COUNT(ID) > 1;
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SYNTAX: SELECT <CN>, COUNT(<CN>) FROM <TN>  
GROUP BY <CN> HAVING COUNT(<CN>) > 1;

### IN LINE QUERY

When we write a subquery after from clause of the main query that is called 'In-line query'.

OR

When we write a subquery in place of table name of main query i.e called In-line query or In-line view.

EX: SELECT \* FROM

(SELECT PID, PNAME, PRICE, PRICE \* 10 / 100 AS  
DISCOUNT FROM PRODUCT) ;

SELECT \* FROM

(SELECT PID, PNAME, PRICE, PRICE \* 10 / 100 AS  
DISCOUNT FROM PRODUCT) WHERE DISCOUNT > 2000 ;

NOTE :

1> In line query, the subquery result set act as a table which is in buffer and holds data under Alias name also.

2> 'Order by' clause supports Alias Name.

EX: SELECT DEPTNO, SUM(SAL) AS TOT\_SAL FROM EMP  
GROUP BY DEPTNO, ORDER BY TOT\_SAL ;

→ Here query will execute first upto group by clause. Then the data will be in buffer only with Alias name. 'Order by' clause will sort the data in buffer itself.