# Introduction to SQL

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### Goals:

- Restricting Data using WHERE clause
  - Arithmetic Expressions
  - Operators
  - Null Values in WHERE clause
  - Other Clauses (GROUP BY, ORDER BY)

### WHERE clause in SQL

- Used to filter out unwanted data from a query's result set
- Isolate one or more rows of a table for modification
- Conditionally join two or more data sets together

```
SQL> SELECT * FROM TABLE
WHERE condition ;
```

• WHERE is used for identifying a condition

```
SQL> SELECT ename

FROM emp

WHERE sal >= 3000 ;
```

ENAME
----SCOTT
FORD
KING

```
SQL> SELECT p.name, p.part_nbr,
    p.supplier_id, s.name
FROM part p, supplier s;
```

• Here, WHERE clause is not used. If there are 100 companies supplying 10 parts, it would return 1000 rows. This is called Cartesian product, which is all the possible combination of all rows from two tables.

SQL> SELECT ename, sal FROM emp WHERE sal >= 3000 AND empno = 7566;

- Here, WHERE clause is comprised of two conditions, which are evaluated separately.
- Both conditions must evaluate to true, for a row to be included in the result set.

### Condition in WHERE clause

- A condition is comprised of one or more expressions with one or more operators.
- Expressions include:
  - Numbers, Columns, Literals, Functions, Subqueries
- Operators include:
  - Arithmetic Operators, Comparison Operators, Character Operators, Logical Operators, IN and BETWEEN operators

# SQL> UPDATE emp SET sal = 3000 WHERE empno = 7566;

 Here, emp table will be updated to reflect new salary (3000) for employee with empno equal to 7566

- Here, subquery is used in the WHERE clause
- emp table will be updated to reflect new salary (3000) for employee whose name is KING.

# Arithmetic Expressions

- Created on NUMBER and DATE data types. Used for calculations, using arithmetic operators.
- Arithmetic Operators used in expressions

```
Add +
Multiply *
Divide /
Modulus %
Subtract -
```

#### Arithmetic Expressions

You may need to modify the way in which data is displayed, perform calculations, or look at what-if scenarios. This is possible using arithmetic expressions. An arithmetic expression may contain column names, constant numeric values, and the arithmetic operators.

#### Arithmetic Operators

The slide lists the arithmetic operators available in SQL. You can use arithmetic operators in any clause of a SQL statement except the FROM clause.

You can use only the addition and subtraction operators with DATE datatypes.

# **Arithmetic Operators**

 Arithmetic operators can be used in the WHERE clause, to show specific rows

```
SQL> SELECT losal
FROM emp
WHERE sal = losal + 50;
```

#### **Using Arithmetic Operators**

The example in the slide uses the addition operator to calculate a salary increase of \$300 for all employees and displays a new SAL+300 column in the output.

Note that the resultant calculated column SAL+300 is not a new column in the EMP table; it is for display only. By default, the name of a new column comes from the calculation that generated it—in this case, sal+300.

**Note:** SQL\*Plus ignores blank spaces before and after the arithmetic operator.

### **Operator Precedence**

- For arithmetic operators, multiplication and division take priority over addition and subtraction
- Operators of same precedence are evaluated from left to right
- Parentheses are used to enforce priority

### **Operators**

- Besides, arithmetic operators, there are:
  - Comparison Operators
  - Concatenation Operator
  - Character Operators
  - Logical Operators
  - IN and BETWEEN operators

# **Comparison Operators**

- Single-row Operators
  - . =, >, >=, <, <=
  - IS NULL
- Multiple-row Operators
  - IN
  - ANY
  - ALL

# Single-row Operators

- =, >, >=, <, <=, <>
- Used in the where clause

```
SQL> SELECT ename
FROM emp
WHERE sal > 4000;
```

ENAME -----KING

# Single-row Operators

- IS NULL operator
  - Null unavailable, unassigned value
  - Cannot compare null values using =

```
SQL> SELECT distinct deptno
FROM emp
WHERE comm IS NULL;
```

```
DEPTNO
-----
10
20
30
```

# Multiple-row Operators

IN represents any member in the list

```
SQL> SELECT ename, deptno
FROM emp
WHERE ename IN ('KING', 'JAMES');
```

| ENAME                                   | DEPTNO |
|---|--------|
|   |        |
| KING                                    | 10     |
| 100000000000000000000000000000000000000 |        |
| JAMES                                   | 30     |

# Multiple-row Operators

#### ANY

```
SQL> SELECT ename, deptno FROM emp WHERE sal > ANY (4000, 3000);
```

| ENAME | DEPTNO |
|-------|--------|
|       |        |
| KING  | 10     |

# Multiple-row Operators

#### ALL

```
SQL> SELECT ename, deptno
FROM emp
WHERE sal > ALL (4000, 3000, 2000);
```

| ENAME | DEPTNO |
|-------|--------|
|       |        |
| KING  | 10     |

### **Concatenation Operator**

- Concatenates character strings to other columns in SELECT statement.
- Character Strings and Dates are enclosed in single quotation marks. Represented by two vertical bars

```
SQL > SELECT ename || ', ' || empno "Emp
Name, ID"

FROM emp
WHERE sal > 4000;
```

```
Emp Name, ID ______
KING, 7839
```

### **Character Operators**

 Matching condition is evaluated using, LIKE for character strings

```
. "%" is used to match any number of characters
SQL> SELECT ename
    FROM emp
    WHERE ename LIKE `J%';
```

ENAME
----JONES
JAMES

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### **Character Operators**

 Underscore is used for matching one character only (with LIKE)

SQL> SELECT ename

```
FROM emp

WHERE ename LIKE '_ING';

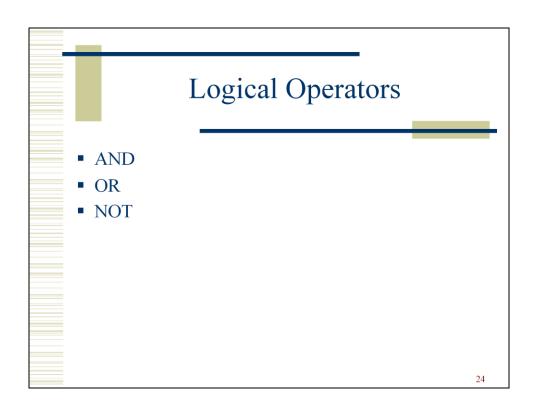
ENAME
-----
KING
```

### **Character Operators**

When you need to have an exact match for the actual '%' and '\_' characters, use the ESCAPE option.

```
SQL> SELECT dname
   FROM dept
   WHERE dname LIKE '%\_%' ESCAPE '\';
```

DNAME
------ACCOUNTING 1



# AND Logical Operator

Both conditions must be true

```
SWL> SELECT ename
FROM emp
WHERE ename LIKE 'S%' AND sal = 3000;
```

ENAME -----SCOTT

# OR Logical Operator

• One of the conditions can be true

```
SQL> SELECT ename
FROM emp
WHERE ename LIKE 'S%' OR sal = 3000;
```

ENAME
-----SCOTT
FORD

# NOT Logical Operator

 Displays rows not matching the criteria given with NOT

```
SQL> SELECT *
   FROM dept
   WHERE deptno NOT IN (20, 40);
```

| DEPTNO | DNAME      | LOC      |
|--------|------------|----------|
|        |            |          |
| 10     | ACCOUNTING | NEW YORK |
| 30     | SALES      | CHICAGO  |

### Rules of precedence

- Comparison and Logical operators:
  - Condition with Comparison operators is evaluated first followed by
    - NOT
    - AND
    - OR
- Parentheses can override all the rules

### WHERE Clause Evaluation

Multiple conditions using AND

| WHERE | true AND true   | TRUE  |
|-------|-----------------|-------|
| WHERE | false AND false | FALSE |
| WHERE | false AND true  | FALSE |
| WHERE | true and false  | FALSE |

Multiple conditions using OR

| WHERE | true or true   | TRUE  |
|-------|----------------|-------|
| WHERE | false or false | FALSE |
| WHERE | false or true  | TRUE  |
| WHERE | true or false  | TRUE  |

### WHERE Clause Evaluation

• Multiple conditions using AND and OR WHERE true AND (true OR false) TRUE WHERE true AND (false OR true) TRUE WHERE true AND (false OR false) FALSE WHERE false AND (true OR false) FALSE WHERE false AND (false OR true) FALSE WHERE false AND (false OR false) FALSE

### WHERE Clause Evaluation

• Multiple conditions using AND, OR, NOT WHERE true AND NOT(true OR false) FALSE WHERE true AND NOT(false OR true) FALSE WHERE true AND NOT(false OR false) TRUE WHERE false AND NOT(true OR false) FALSE WHERE false AND NOT(false OR true) FALSE WHERE false AND NOT(false OR false)FALSE

### IN and BETWEEN Operators

• IN retrieves all the rows with the given values

```
SQL> SELECT deptno, dname
FROM dept
WHERE deptno IN (20, 30);
```

```
DEPTNO DNAME
-----
20 RESEARCH
30 SALES
```

### IN and BETWEEN Operators

Range condition is evaluated using BETWEEN

```
SQL> SELECT ename

FROM emp

WHERE sal BETWEEN 3000 AND 4000;
```

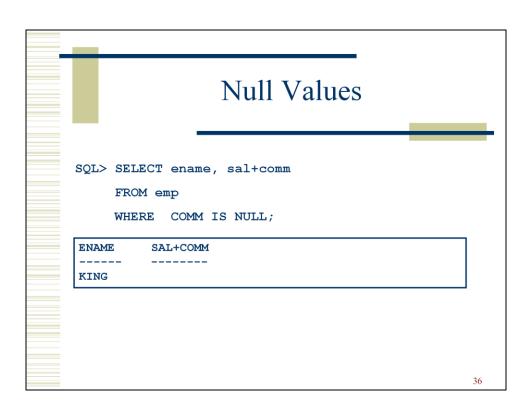
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### Null Values

- Unavailable, unassigned, unknown, or inapplicable value.
- Not the same as zero or a space.
  - Zero is a number, and a space is a character.
- Columns of any datatype can contain null values, except if the column has been defined as NOT NULL or PRIMARY KEY

### Null Values

- If any column value in an arithmetic expression is null, the result is null.
  - For example,
    - ✓ If you attempt to perform division with zero, you get an error
    - ✓ If you divide a number by null, the result is a null or unknown.
- IS NULL operator is used for querying null data. NOT can be used to evaluate non-null data.



### Null Values

SQL> SELECT ename, sal+comm
FROM emp
WHERE COMM = NULL;

• Here, instead of IS NULL, equality is used. Oracle won't complain, but it will not return any rows.

### Other Clauses

```
SELECT column,
FROM table
[WHERE condition]
[GROUP BY group_by_expression]
[HAVING group_condition]
[ORDER BY column];
```

# Group By Clause

### • Group By

```
SQL> SELECT deptno, sum(sal)
FROM emp
GROUP BY deptno;
```

| DEPTNO | SUM (SAL) |
|--------|-----------|
|        |           |
| 10     | 8750      |
| 20     | 10875     |
| 30     | 9400      |

### Order By Clause

- Sorts the results.
  - Can sort by multiple columns.
  - Can order by columns not included in the SELECT
- By default, it sorts the results in ascending order
  - ASC for ascending order and DESC for descending order
- Null values are displayed last for ascending order and first for descending order
- Can use a column alias in the ORDER BY clause

