Advanced SQL

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L1. Aggregation, Sorting, Limiting Results

SELECT Statement

SELECT select_expr FROM table_references WHERE where_condition GROUP BY col_expr HAVING where_condition ORDER BY col_expr LIMIT limit_expr

- Syntax: GROUP BY col_expr
- col_expr:
 - Expresses an aggregation on a list of column names.
 - (Should not reference an alias defined in SELECT clause.)
 - Can be integer representing column position (starting at 1).
 - Can use a WITH ROLLUP modifier for summary rows.
 - Example: http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/group-by-modifiers.html
- Allows an aggregation function to be performed in the SELECT clause.
 - List of functions: http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/group-by-functions.html

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FROM BlogUsers

GROUP BY FirstName

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SELECT FirstName, LastName FROM BlogUsers GROUP BY FirstName, LastName

<u>UserName</u>	FirstName	LastName	е С	ОоВ		FirstName	LastName
ју	Jae	Yoon	2005	5-01-01	\rightarrow	Jae	Yoon
jo	Jae	Yoon	1980)-01-01	>	Tony	Davidson
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SELECT FirstName, COUNT(*) AS CNT

FROM BlogUsers

GROUP BY FirstName

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у	Jae	Yoon	2005-01-01		Jae
	Jae	Yoon	1980-01-01	———	Tony
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SELECT FirstName, MAX(DoB) AS MaxDob

FROM BlogUsers

GROUP BY FirstName

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ју	Jae	Yoon	2005-01-01
)	Jae	Yoon	1980-01-01
/	Tony	Davidson	1996-01-01
dan	Dan	Kwan	1994-01-01
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- Syntax: HAVING where_expr
- where_expr:
 - Must reference an aggregate field in GROUP BY clause or is an aggregate function (note that WHERE clause cannot contain aggregate functions).
 - Like a WHERE clause, can have operators and can evaluate to true/false.
- Filters aggregate results (HAVING filters on group of rows; WHERE filters individual rows).

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SELECT FirstName, COUNT(*) AS CNT

FROM BlogUsers
GROUP BY FirstName

HAVING COUNT(*) > 1

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Dan	1
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- Syntax: ORDER BY col_expr
- col_expr:
 - Must reference an aggregate field in GROUP BY clause or is an aggregate function (like HAVING and SELECT clauses).
 - Can use a ASC|DESC modifier to sort ascending or descending order per field. (ASC is default.)
- Sort results.

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SELECT *
FROM BlogUsers
ORDER BY FirstName

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ју	Jae	Yoon	2005-01-01
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SELECT *
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ORDER BY FirstName, DoB

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LIMIT Clause

- Syntax: LIMIT limit_expr
- limit_expr:
 - As an integer, is the max number of rows to return.
 - Can have an optional offset.
- Examples:
 - LIMIT 5: return at most 5 records.
 - LIMIT 3 OFFSET 5: return at most records 6-8.

LIMIT Clause

Constrain number of rows returned.

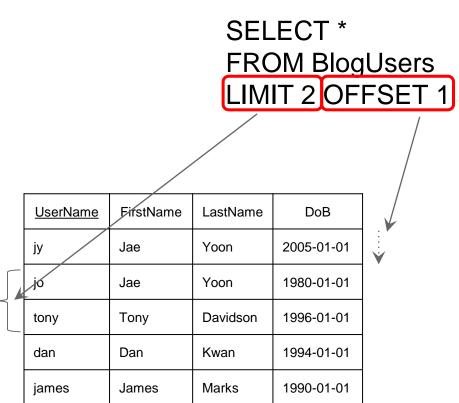
SELECT *
FROM BlogUsers
LIMIT 1

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- Standard: No expressions allowed in GROUP BY (i.e. functions).
 - MySQL allows expressions in GROUP BY.
 - Standard SQL: use a nested query.
 - Advice: favor MySQL for straight-forward expressions, like functions.

```
SELECT SUBSTRING(FirstName, 1, 1) AS FirstChar, COUNT(*) AS CNT FROM BlogUsers
GROUP BY SUBSTRING(FirstName, 1, 1)
```

```
SELECT A.FirstChar, COUNT(*) AS CNT
FROM (
SELECT SUBSTRING(FirstName, 1, 1) AS FirstChar
FROM BlogUsers) AS A
GROUP BY A.FirstChar
```

Standard SQL vs MySQL

- Standard: Aliases in SELECT clause cannot be referenced in GROUP BY or HAVING clauses.
 - MySQL allows GROUP BY/HAVING to reference aliases defined in SELECT.
 - Standard SQL: use the column/expression and/or use a nested query.
 - Advice: favor MySQL for convenience.

SELECT FirstName AS First, COUNT(*) AS CNT FROM BlogUsers
GROUP BY First
HAVING CNT > 10

SELECT FirstName AS First, COUNT(*) AS CNT FROM BlogUsers
GROUP BY FirstName
HAVING COUNT(*) > 10

Standard SQL vs MySQL

- Standard: SELECT list, HAVING condition, ORDER BY list must refer either to an aggregation function or a column in GROUP BY list.
 - MySQL allows a dependent column if the primary key is in the GROUP BY list (MySQL evaluates the PK constraint/FD).
 - Standard SQL: reference column name in GROUP BY and/or use nested query.
 - Advice: favor Standard SQL for intuitiveness (reflects query execution order and not easy to recall PK constraints).

SELECT BlogUsers.FirstName COUNT(*) AS CNT FROM BlogUsers INNER JOIN BlogPosts ON BlogUsers.UserName = BlogPosts.UserName GROUP BY BlogUsers.UserName

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Query Evaluation

- 1. Evaluate FROM clause to build table reference, including join operations.
- 2. Evaluate WHERE clause to filter single records.
- 3. Evaluate GROUP BY clause for aggregation.
- 4. Evaluate HAVING clause to filter aggregation.
- 5. Evaluate SELECT to filter/rename columns.
- 6. Evaluate ORDER BY to sort records.
- 7. Evaluate LIMIT to constrain the window of records.

- 5) SELECT
- 1) FROM
- 2) WHERE
- 3) GROUP BY
- 4) HAVING
- 6) ORDER BY
- 7) LIMIT

Back to INSERT/UPDATE/DELETE

- INSERT/UPDATE/DELETE support SELECT statements.
- Insert results of a SELECT statement.

```
INSERT INTO tbl_name(col_name,...)
SELECT ... FROM ... WHERE ...
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Update records with a join.

```
UPDATE tbl_A,tbl_B
SET tbl_A.col_name=val WHERE tbl_A.pk=tbl_B.fk
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L2. Exercises

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- 1. Are there any unpublished posts that have comments? This checks for unexpected data.
- Most recent comment for each UserName.
- Count of each UserNames's comments.
- 4. UserNames who commented more than once.
- 5. Count of comments for each post in descending order, and include the post id and title.
- 6. UserName with most unpublished posts, and include status level.
- 7. The most reshared post, and include post id and title.
- 8. Number of comments per day per UserName.
- 9. Average comments per day per UserName.
- 10. How about comment counts for all days (even for days without comments)? Need a "date" table for left outer join.
- 11. UserNames with more comments than posts (hint: include all users).
- 12. Compare a user's number of reshares to published posts (hint: include all users). Who is more likely to read than write (reshares>posts), and vice versa (reshares<posts)?

Examples

Blog Application queries: [5.2 Example: Queries]

Creating tables: [3.4.1 Example: Create tables]
Inserting data: [3.4.2 Example: Insert Data]

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L3. Functions and Procedures

CREATE FUNCTION

CREATE FUNCTION name(params)
RETURNS type
routine_body

CREATE PROCEDURE

CREATE PROCEDURE name(params) routine_body

Compound-Statement Syntax routine body:

- Usually wrapped in BEGIN ... END block, which allows a list of statements terminated by; (since MySQL uses; as the default delimiter, you need to redefine the delimiter temporarily to pass in the entire routine_body).
- Use DECLARE for local variables.
- Use SET to assign variables. var is routine-specific and reset on every time the routine is called. @var for a sessions-specific variable (can be called by the client after routine completes, is freed when session ends, is not shareable across clients). @@var for global variable (reset when the server restarts).
- Can have flow-control statements, such as CASE, IF, LOOP (plus labeling), WHILE, etc.
- Cursors to iterate each record of a SELECT statement.
- More...

Procedures vs Functions

- Procedures can have input and output params.
 Functions only have input params.
- Procedures can have DDL (i.e. can create/drop tables).
 Functions cannot.
- Procedures can call other procedures and functions.
 Functions can only call other functions.
- Functions must specify return type.
- MySQL: only procedures can return table results (i.e. SELECT statement). MS SQL: functions can return table results (called a table-valued function, or table-valued user-defined function).
- Functions can be used in a SELECT statement, but procedures cannot. (Execute a procedure with CALL procedure statement.)

Examples

Function: [5.3.1 Example: Function]

Procedure: [5.3.2 Example: Procedure]