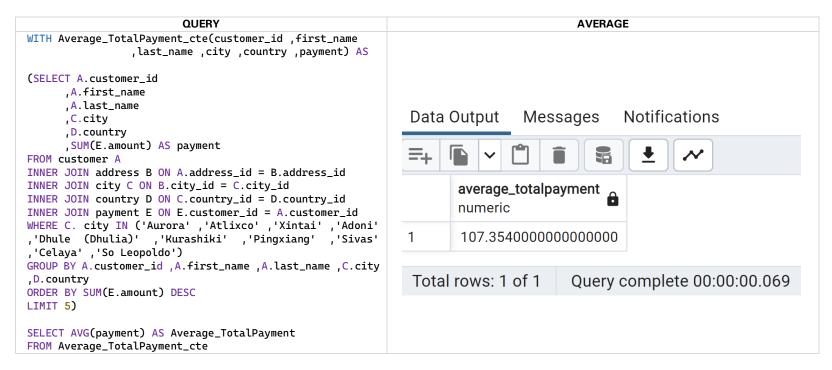
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Step 1: Answer the business questions from step 1 and 2 of task 3.8 using CTEs

- 1. Rewrite your queries from steps 1 and 2 of task 3.8 as CTEs.
- 2. Copy-paste your CTEs and their outputs into your answers document.
- 3. Write 2 to 3 sentences explaining how you approached this step, for example, what you did first, second, and so on.

QUERY 1 (from TASK 3.8)



QUERY 2 (from TASK 3.8)

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QUERY
WITH total_paid_in_top_10_cities_cte(customer_id ,first_name ,last_name ,country ,city ,total_amount_paid) AS
                      (SELECT A.customer_id ,A.first_name ,A.last_name ,D.country ,C.city
                      ,SUM(E.amount) AS total_amount_paid
                       FROM payment E
                       INNER JOIN customer A ON A.customer_id = E.customer_id
                       INNER JOIN address B ON A.address_id = B.address_id
                       INNER JOIN city C ON B.city_id = C.city_id
                       INNER JOIN country D ON C.country_id = D.country_id
                       WHERE C.city IN ('Aurora' ,'Atlixco' ,'Xintai' ,'Adoni' ,'Dhule (Dhulia)'
                                       ,'Kurashiki' ,'Pingxiang' ,'Sivas' ,'Celaya' ,'So Leopoldo')
                       GROUP BY A.customer_id ,first_name ,last_name ,city ,country
                       ORDER BY total_amount_paid DESC
                       LIMIT 5)
SELECT DISTINT(D.country) , COUNT(DISTICNT A.customer_id) AS all_customer_count
                          ,COUNT(DISTICNT D.country_id) AS top_customer_count
FROM country D
INNER JOIN city C ON C.country_id = D.country_id
INNER JOIN address B ON C.city_id = B.city_id
INNER JOIN customer A ON A.address_id = B.address _id
LEFT JOIN total_paid_in_top_10_cities_cte ON D.country = total_paid_in_top_10_cities_cte.country
GROUP BY D.country
ORDER BY all_customer_count DESC
LIMIT 5;
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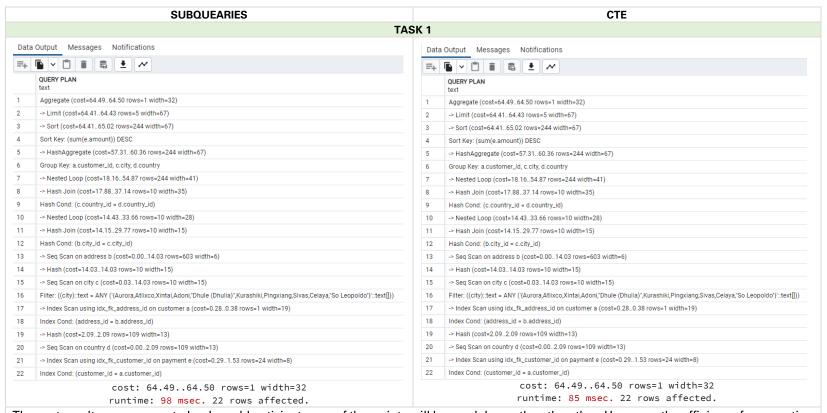
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TOP 5 CUSTOMER (WITHIN EACH COUNTRY)		country character varying (50)	all_customer_count bigint	top_customer_count bigint
	1	India	60	1
	2	China	53	1
	3	United States	36	1
	4	Japan	31	1
	5	Mexico	30	1
	Total	rows: 5 of 5 Query	complete 00:00:00.21	4

Step 2: Compare the performance of your CTEs and subqueries.

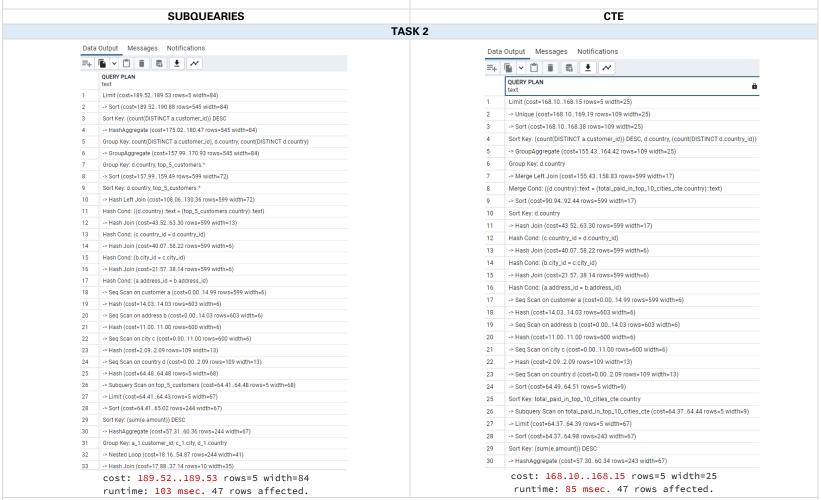
1. Which approach do you think will perform better and why?

While writing CTE is the most tedious work among the two, I am certain the CTE will produce better results in terms of performance as it already recognizes pre-existing query to reference its data output for rapid search.

- 2. Compare the costs of all the queries by creating query plans for each one.
- 3. The EXPLAIN command gives you an estimated cost. To find out the actual speed of your queries, run them in pgAdmin 4. After each query has been run, a popup window will display its speed in milliseconds.
- 4. Did the results surprise you? Write a few sentences to explain your answer.



The cost results are unexpected as I would anticipate one of the scripts will be much lower than the other. However, the efficiency for executing of each differs with runtime which only proves that CTE provides result at high-speed.



The cost of CTE is as expected, which has straight target performance to produce data output. Whilst, similar to task 1 runtime results it generated much quicker outcome warranting cost report.

Step 3: Write 1 to 2 paragraphs on the challenges you faced when replacing your subqueries with CTEs.

Revising the queries to CTEs is tougher than it seems for learning experience. The first query was not as intricate since it's up-front, although what presented more of a challenge was in query 2. Which has several built-in complex queries. Ensuring all statements are linked with each other, it was not easy task to produce a script at one try. There were a lot of trial-and-error along the path of studying this approach. Though, the data output is evidently efficient and costs much less. There is undeniably a need of strong attention to details to formulate the syntax accurately, which necessitates a lot of exercise for proper execution. I have a lot to learn and most definitely a demand for more practice into mastering SQL.