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SQL Aggregate Functions in SQL*Plus (Oracle) & MySQL

Aggregate functions perform calculations on multiple rows and return a **single** value. These functions are useful in **summarizing** data, such as totals, averages, counts, etc.

Below are detailed examples covering all aggregate functions in **SQL*Plus (Oracle)** and **MySQL**.

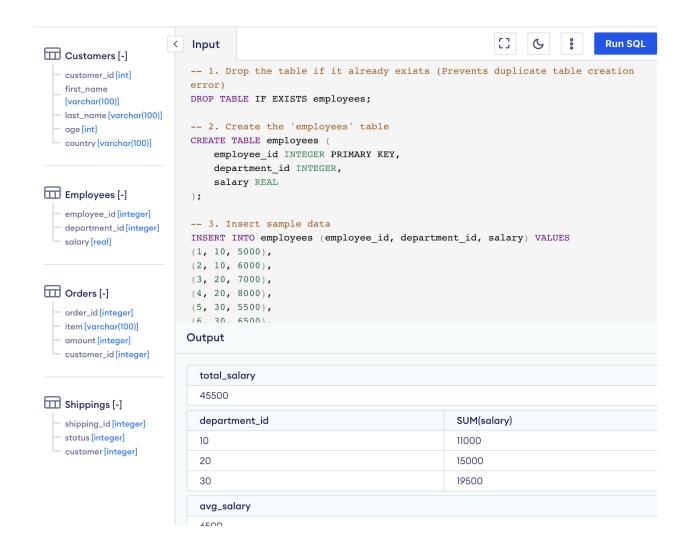
1. Aggregate Functions in SQL*Plus (Oracle)

1.1 SUM() – Total of a Column

```
SELECT SUM(salary) AS total_salary FROM employees; -- Total salary of all employees

SELECT department_id, SUM(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY

department_id; -- Total salary per department
```



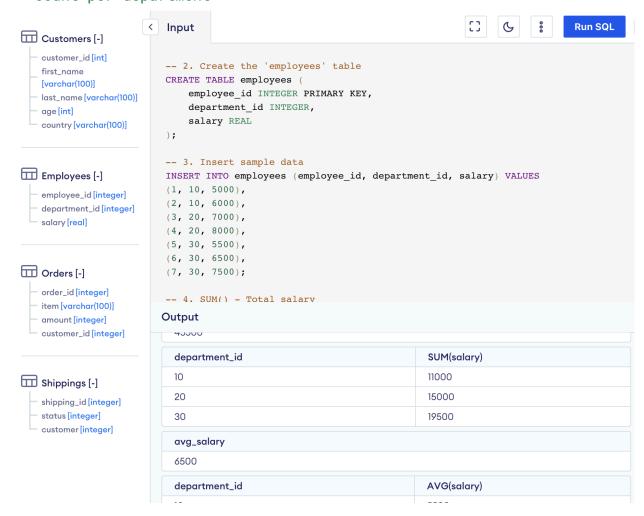
1.2 AVG() – Average of a Column

SELECT AVG(salary) AS avg_salary FROM employees; -- Average salary SELECT department_id, AVG(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id; -- Average salary per department

1.3 COUNT() – Counting Rows

SELECT COUNT(*) FROM employees; -- Total number of employees SELECT COUNT(employee_id) FROM employees WHERE department_id = 10; -- Count employees in department 10

SELECT department_id, COUNT(*) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id;
-- Count per department



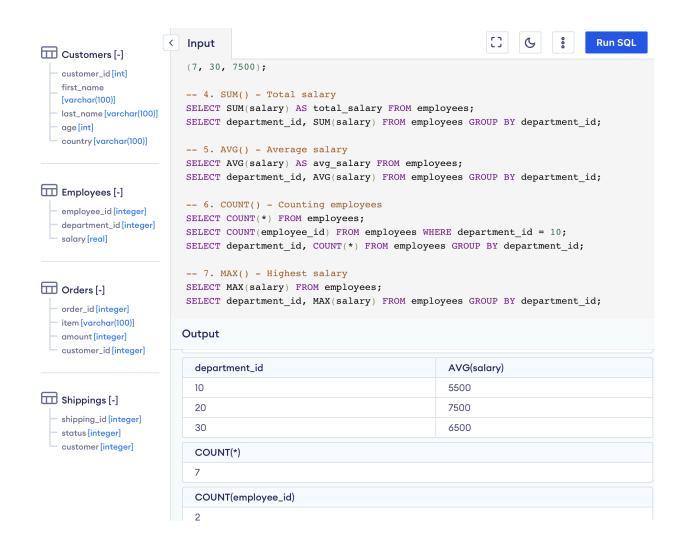
1.4 MAX() - Maximum Value

SELECT MAX(salary) FROM employees; -- Highest salary in the company SELECT department_id, MAX(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id; -- Highest salary per department

1.5 MIN() - Minimum Value

SELECT MIN(salary) FROM employees; -- Lowest salary in the company

SELECT department_id, MIN(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY
department_id; -- Lowest salary per department



1.6 MEDIAN() – Median Value (Oracle-Only)

SELECT MEDIAN(salary) FROM employees; -- Median salary of all employees

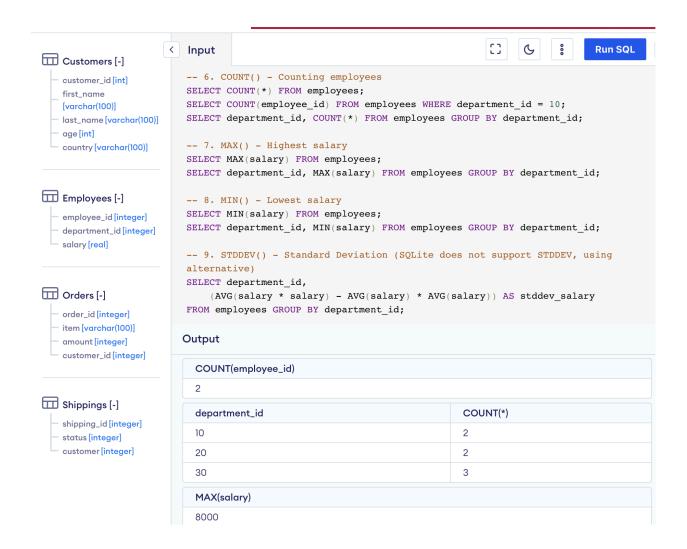
1.7 STDDEV() - Standard Deviation

SELECT STDDEV(salary) FROM employees; -- Standard deviation of salaries

SELECT department_id, STDDEV(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id; -- Std deviation per department

1.8 VARIANCE() - Variance of a Column

SELECT VARIANCE(salary) FROM employees; -- Variance of salaries

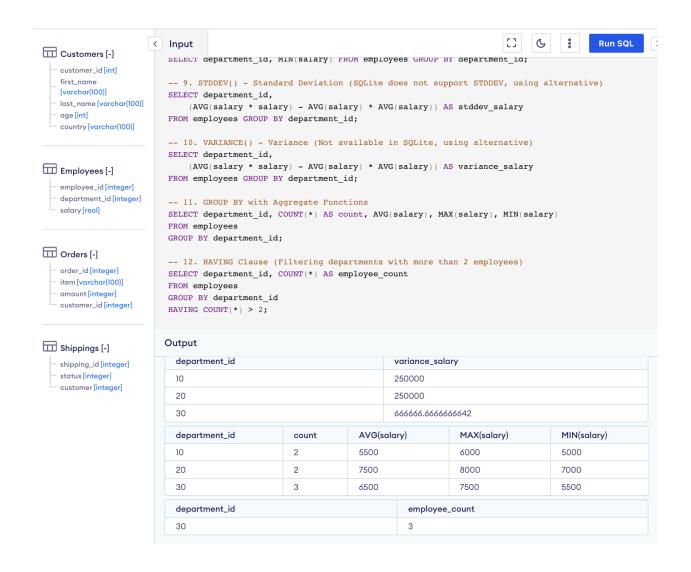


1.9 GROUP BY with Aggregate Functions

```
SELECT department_id, COUNT(*), AVG(salary), MAX(salary), MIN(salary)
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id; -- Aggregate calculations per department
```

1.10 HAVING Clause (Filtering Groups)

```
SELECT department_id, COUNT(*) AS employee_count
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id
HAVING COUNT(*) > 5; -- Only departments with more than 5 employees
```



2. Aggregate Functions in MySQL

2.1 SUM() - Total of a Column

```
SELECT SUM(salary) AS total_salary FROM employees; -- Total salary of all employees

SELECT department_id, SUM(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY

department_id; -- Total salary per department
```

2.2 AVG() - Average of a Column

SELECT AVG(salary) AS avg_salary FROM employees; -- Average salary SELECT department_id, AVG(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id; -- Average salary per department

2.3 COUNT() – Counting Rows

SELECT COUNT(*) FROM employees; -- Total number of employees SELECT COUNT(employee_id) FROM employees WHERE department_id = 10; -- Count employees in department 10

SELECT department_id, COUNT(*) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id; -- Count per department

2.4 MAX() – Maximum Value

SELECT MAX(salary) FROM employees; -- Highest salary in the company SELECT department_id, MAX(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id; -- Highest salary per department

2.5 MIN() – Minimum Value

SELECT MIN(salary) FROM employees; -- Lowest salary in the company SELECT department_id, MIN(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY department_id; -- Lowest salary per department

2.6 STDDEV() – Standard Deviation

SELECT STDDEV(salary) FROM employees; -- Standard deviation of
salaries
SELECT department_id, STDDEV(salary) FROM employees GROUP BY
department_id; -- Std deviation per department

2.7 VARIANCE() - Variance of a Column

SELECT VARIANCE(salary) FROM employees; -- Variance of salaries

2.8 GROUP BY with Aggregate Functions

SELECT department_id, COUNT(*), AVG(salary), MAX(salary), MIN(salary)
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id; -- Aggregate calculations per department

2.9 HAVING Clause (Filtering Groups)

SELECT department_id, COUNT(*) AS employee_count
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id
HAVING COUNT(*) > 5; -- Only departments with more than 5 employees

3. Key Differences Between SQL*Plus (Oracle) and MySQL Aggregate Functions

Feature	Oracle (SQL*Plus)	MySQL
Basic Aggregate Functions	<pre>SUM(), AVG(), COUNT(), MAX(), MIN()</pre>	<pre>SUM(), AVG(), COUNT(), MAX(), MIN()</pre>
Median Calculation	MEDIAN()	Not available (requires workaround)
Standard Deviation	STDDEV()	STDDEV()
Variance Calculation	VARIANCE()	VARIANCE()

Handling NULL values	Ignores NULL values in aggregate functions	Ignores NULL values in aggregate functions
HAVING Clause	Used after GROUP BY	Used after GROUP BY
GROUP BY	Used to group and aggregate	Used to group and aggregate

4. Special Notes

- Oracle provides the MEDIAN() function, but MySQL does not. In MySQL, median must be calculated using a workaround.
- **Both** ignore NULL values when computing aggregates unless explicitly handled. **HAVING** is used **after GROUP BY** to filter aggregated results in both Oracle and MySQL.