

# Perform a SQL Query

## Skills Acquired:

- Select specific columns from a table
- Select all columns from a table by using an asterisk (\*)
- Sort query results using the ORDER BY keyword

## Scenario:

In this scenario, you have to determine which employee devices must be updated. You also need to investigate user login activity to explore if any unusual activity has occurred.

The information you need is located in the machines and login\_attempts tables in the organization database.

# Task 1. Retrieve employee device data

In this task, you need to obtain information on employee devices because your team needs to update them. The information you need is in the machines table in the organization database.

**First**, you need to retrieve all the information about the employee devices.

1. Run the following query to select all device information from the machines table:

```
SELECT *
```

```
FROM machines;
```

**Next**, you want to focus on the email client running on various devices.

2. Run the following query to select only the device\_id and email\_client columns from the machines table. Replace X with device\_id and Y with email\_client:

```
SELECT X, Y FROM machines;
```

- **What email client is returned in the third row?**

Email Client 2

```
MariaDB [organization]> select device_id, email_client
-> from machines;
```

device_id	email_client
a184b775c707	Email Client 1
a192b174c940	Email Client 1
a305b818c708	Email Client 2
a317b635c465	Email Client 2
a320b137c219	Email Client 2

Now, You need information on the operating systems used on various devices and their last patch date.

- Complete the query to return only the device\_id, operating\_system, and OS\_patch\_date columns from the machines table. Replace X, Y, and Z with the columns that you need to return:

**SELECT** X, Y, Z **FROM** machines;

- What is the patch date of the first entry?

2021-09-01

```
MariaDB [organization]> select device_id, operating_system, OS_patch_date
-> from machines;
```

device_id	operating_system	OS_patch_date
a184b775c707	OS 1	2021-09-01
a192b174c940	OS 2	2021-06-01
a305b818c708	OS 3	2021-06-01
a317b635c465	OS 1	2021-03-01
a320b137c219	OS 2	2021-03-01

## Task 2. Investigate login activity

In this task, you need to analyze the information from the `log_in_attempts` table to determine if any unusual activity has occurred.

**First**, you need to investigate the locations where login attempts were made to ensure that they're in expected areas (the United States, Canada, or Mexico).

1. Write a SQL query to select the `event_id` and `country` columns from the `log_in_attempts` table.
- **Were any login attempts made from Australia?**

No

```
MariaDB [organization]> select event_id, country
-> from log_in_attempts
-> order by country;
```

event_id	country
1	CAN
161	CAN
71	CAN
150	CAN
137	CAN
74	CAN
76	CAN
126	CAN
46	CAN

**Next**, you need to check if login attempts were made outside of the organization's working hours.

2. Write a SQL query that selects the `username`, `login_date`, and `login_time` columns from the `log_in_attempts` table.

- What username is returned in the fifth row?

Jrafael

```
MariaDB [organization]> select username, login_date, login_time  
-> from log_in_attempts;
```

username	login_date	login_time
jrafael	2022-05-09	04:56:27
apatel	2022-05-10	20:27:27
dkot	2022-05-09	06:47:41
dkot	2022-05-08	02:00:39
jrafael	2022-05-11	03:05:59
arutley	2022-05-12	17:00:59
eraab	2022-05-11	01:45:14
bisles	2022-05-08	01:30:17
yappiah	2022-05-11	13:47:29

**Now**, you need to get a complete picture of all login attempts.

3. Write a SQL query that selects all columns from the log\_in\_attempts table, using a single symbol after the SELECT keyword.

```
MariaDB [organization]> select *  
-> from log_in_attempts;
```

## Task 3. Order login attempts data

In this task, you need to use the ORDER BY keyword. You'll sequence the data that your query returns according to the login date and time.

**First**, you need to sort the information by date.

1. Run the following query, which orders log\_in\_attempts data by login\_date:

```
SELECT *
```

```
FROM log_in_attempts
```

```
ORDER BY login_date;
```

- What are the username and login date of the first record returned?

ivelasco on 2022-05-08

```
MariaDB [organization]> select*
-> from log_in_attempts
-> order by login_date;
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| event_id | username | login_date | login_time | country | ip_address |
| success |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 145 | ivelasco | 2022-05-08 | 09:06:02 | CANADA | 192.168.39.196 |
| 1 |
| 163 | tmitchel | 2022-05-08 | 09:21:16 | MEX | 192.168.119.29 |
| 0 |
```

**Now**, you need to further organize the previous results by ordering them by login\_time.

2. Modify the query from the previous step by adding the login time to the ORDER BY clause. You must replace X with the appropriate column name:

**SELECT \***

**FROM** log\_in\_attempts

**ORDER BY** login\_date, X;

- **What are the username and login time of the first record returned by the above query?**

bsand at 00:19:1

```
MariaDB [organization]> select*
-> from log_in_attempts
-> order by login_date, login_time;
```

event_id	username	login_date	login_time	country	ip_address
117	bsand	2022-05-08	00:19:11	USA	192.168.197.187
92	pwashing	2022-05-08	00:36:12	US	192.168.247.219