SQL Real-World Mastery: PDF Guide

Welcome!

Thank you for choosing **SQL Real-World Mastery** — a hands-on guide designed to help you master SQL through real-world problems and PostgreSQL projects.

What's Inside This Guide?

This PDF contains:

- Overview of database schema and project scope
- Setup instructions (PostgreSQL tools + dataset)
- SQL scripts for creating and populating your database
- 40 Problem Statements + Detailed Solutions
- Concepts behind each query (so you know why, not just how)

Tools You Need

Make sure you've installed:

- PostgreSQL (v13+ recommended)
- pgAdmin / DBeaver / DataGrip (for SQL execution)
- Any text editor (VSCode, Notepad++)

Project Setup

- 1. Open your SQL tool (e.g., pgAdmin)
- 2. Run the Create Database Command to create database
- 3. Run Table Creation Scripts to populate records
- 4. Use **Problem Statements** to try the problems
- 5. Refer Answers for guidance

Database Overview

The dataset simulates a banking system with entities like:

- Customers
- Accounts
- Transactions

Loans

Includes realistic relationships (1:N, M:N) and foreign keys.

6 40 Real-World SQL Problems

Grouped by Difficulty:

- ◆ 10 Easy: SELECT, WHERE, COUNT, DISTINCT, SUM, ORDER BY
- \$\intermediate: CASE , Subquery, JOINs, GROUP BY, HAVING
- 🛕 10 Advanced: Date Trunc , Join with sub query
- 10 Hard: Window functions, CTEs, CASE, Nested queries, anti-joins

Each problem includes:

- Problem description
- Required output format
- Optimized solution
- Commentary on best practices

Advanced Topics Covered

- Subqueries (Scalar & Correlated)
- Common Table Expressions (CTEs)
- Window Functions (ROW_NUMBER, RANK, LAG)
- CASE Statements
- Aggregate Filters (FILTER)
- Date Manipulation
- Anti-Joins

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