

# Window functions

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	SalesPerson	SalesYear	CurrentQuota	ModifiedDate
1	Bob	2011	28000.00	2011-04-16
2	Bob	2011	7000.00	2011-07-17
3	Bob	2011	91000.00	2011-10-17
4	Mary	2011	367000.00	2011-04-16
5	Mary	2011	556000.00	2011-07-17
6	Mary	2011	502000.00	2011-10-17
7	Bob	2012	140000.00	2012-01-15
8	Bob	2012	70000.00	2012-04-15

# Grouping data in T-SQL

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear,  
       CurrentQuota, ModifiedDate  
FROM SaleGoal  
WHERE SalesYear = 2011
```

SalesPerson	SalesYear	CurrentQuota	ModifiedDate
Bob	2011	28000.00	2011-04-16
Bob	2011	7000.00	2011-07-16
Bob	2011	91000.00	2011-10-16
Mary	2011	367000.00	2011-04-16
Mary	2011	556000.00	2011-07-16
Mary	2011	502000.00	2011-10-16

# Window syntax in T-SQL

- Create the window with `OVER` clause
- `PARTITION BY` creates the frame
- If you do not include `PARTITION BY` the frame is the entire table
- To arrange the results, use `ORDER BY`
- Allows aggregations to be created at the same time as the window

```
. . .  
-- Create a Window data grouping  
OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear ORDER BY SalesYear)
```

# Window functions (SUM)

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
       SUM(CurrentQuota)  
       OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear) AS YearlyTotal,  
       ModifiedDate AS ModDate  
FROM SaleGoal
```

SalesPerson	SalesYear	CurrentQuota	YearlyTotal	ModDate
Bob	2011	28000.00	1551000.00	2011-04-16
Bob	2011	7000.00	1551000.00	2011-07-17
Mary	2011	367000.00	1551000.00	2011-04-16
Mary	2011	556000.00	1551000.00	2011-07-15
Bob	2012	70000.00	1859000.00	2012-01-15
Bob	2012	154000.00	1859000.00	2012-04-16
Bob	2012	107000.00	1859000.00	2012-07-16
...				

# Window functions (COUNT)

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
       COUNT(CurrentQuota)  
       OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear) AS QuotaPerYear,  
       ModifiedDate AS ModDate  
FROM SaleGoal
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|QuotaPerYear|ModDate|  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |4           |2011-04-16|  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00     |4           |2011-07-17|  
|Mary       |2011     |367000.00   |4           |2011-04-16|  
|Mary       |2011     |556000.00   |4           |2011-07-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |70000.00    |8           |2012-01-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |154000.00   |8           |2012-04-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |107000.00   |8           |2012-10-16|  
...  
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```

- Notice the count starts over for each window in column `QuotaPerYear`

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# Common window functions

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# FIRST\_VALUE() and LAST\_VALUE()

- `FIRST_VALUE()` returns the first value in the window
- `LAST_VALUE()` returns the last value in the window

	SalesPerson	SalesYear	CurrentQuota	ModifiedDate
1	Bob	2011	28000.00	2011-04-16 00:00:00.000
2	Bob	2011	7000.00	2011-07-17 00:00:00.000
3	Bob	2011	91000.00	2011-10-17 00:00:00.000
4	Bob	2012	140000.00	2012-01-15 00:00:00.000
5	Bob	2012	70000.00	2012-04-15 00:00:00.000
6	Bob	2012	154000.00	2012-07-16 00:00:00.000
7	Bob	2012	107000.00	2012-10-16 00:00:00.000
8	Mary	2011	367000.00	2011-04-16 00:00:00.000
9	Mary	2011	556000.00	2011-07-17 00:00:00.000
10	Mary	2011	502000.00	2011-10-17 00:00:00.000

# FIRST\_VALUE() and LAST\_VALUE() in T-SQL

- Note that for FIRST\_VALUE and LAST\_VALUE the ORDER BY command is required

```
-- Select the columns
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,
       -- First value from every window
       FIRST_VALUE(CurrentQuota)
       OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear ORDER BY ModifiedDate) AS StartQuota,
       -- Last value from every window
       LAST_VALUE(CurrentQuota)
       OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear ORDER BY ModifiedDate) AS EndQuota,
       ModifiedDate as ModDate
FROM SaleGoal
```

# Results

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|StartQuota|EndQuota|ModDate|
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |28000.00  |91000.00 |2011-04-16|
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00     |28000.00  |91000.00 |2011-07-17|
|Bob        |2011     |91000.00    |28000.00  |91000.00 |2011-10-17|
|Bob        |2012     |140000.00   |140000.00 |107000.00|2012-01-15|
|Bob        |2012     |70000.00    |140000.00 |107000.00|2012-04-15|
|Bob        |2012     |154000.00   |140000.00 |107000.00|2012-07-16|
|Bob        |2012     |107000.00   |140000.00 |107000.00|2012-10-16|
...
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

# Getting the next value with LEAD()

- Provides the ability to query the value from the next row
- NextQuota column is created by using `LEAD()`
- Requires the use of `ORDER BY` to order the rows

	SalesPerson	SalesYear	CurrentQuota	NextQuota	ModDate
1	Bob	2011	28000.00	367000.00	2011-04-15
2	Mary	2011	367000.00	556000.00	2011-04-16
3	Mary	2011	556000.00	7000.00	2011-07-15
4	Bob	2011	7000.00	NULL	2011-07-17
5	Bob	2012	70000.00	502000.00	2012-01-15

# LEAD() in T-SQL

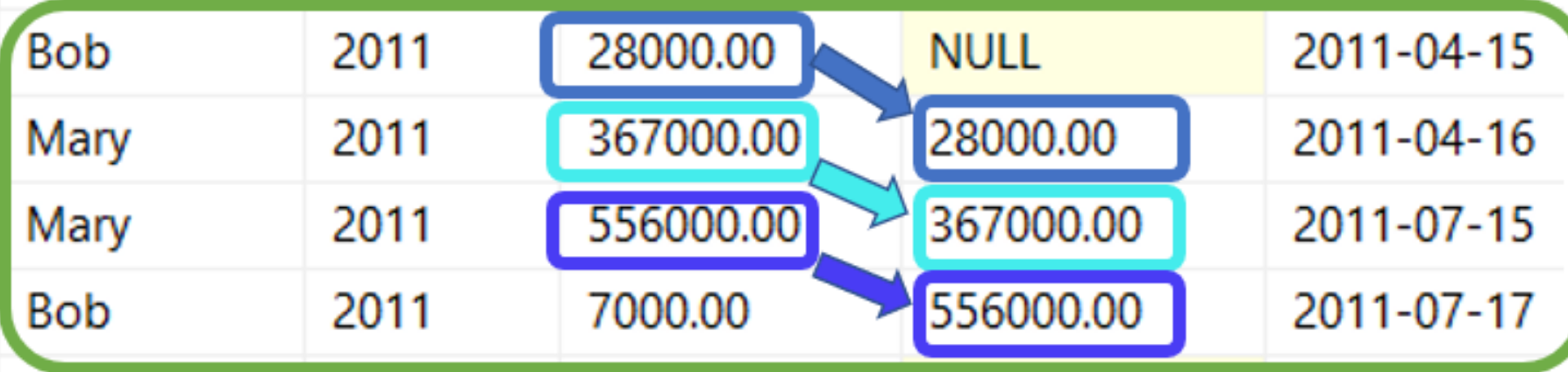
```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
-- Create a window function to get the values from the next row  
    LEAD(CurrentQuota)  
    OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear ORDER BY ModifiedDate) AS NextQuota,  
    ModifiedDate AS ModDate  
FROM SaleGoal
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|NextQuota|ModDate|  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00   |367000.00|2011-04-15|  
|Mary       |2011     |367000.00  |556000.00|2011-04-16|  
|Mary       |2011     |556000.00  |7000.00  |2011-07-15|  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00    |NULL     |2011-07-17|  
|Bob        |2012     |70000.00   |502000.00|2012-01-15|  
|Mary       |2012     |502000.00  |154000.00|2012-01-16|  
...  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

# Getting the previous value with LAG()

- Provides the ability to query the value from the previous row
- PreviousQuota column is created by using `LAG()`
- Requires the use of `ORDER BY` to order the rows

	SalesPerson	SalesYear	CurrentQuota	PreviousQuota	ModDate
1	Bob	2011	28000.00	NULL	2011-04-15
2	Mary	2011	367000.00	28000.00	2011-04-16
3	Mary	2011	556000.00	367000.00	2011-07-15
4	Bob	2011	7000.00	556000.00	2011-07-17
5	Bob	2012	70000.00	NULL	2012-01-15
6	Mary	2012	502000.00	70000.00	2012-01-15



The diagram illustrates the LAG function's behavior. It shows a table with columns SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota, PreviousQuota, and ModDate. The rows are ordered by SalesYear and then by SalesPerson. The PreviousQuota column is calculated using the LAG function, which returns the CurrentQuota value from the previous row. The diagram uses colored boxes and arrows to show the mapping: Row 1 (Bob, 2011) has a CurrentQuota of 28000.00 and a PreviousQuota of NULL. Row 2 (Mary, 2011) has a CurrentQuota of 367000.00 and a PreviousQuota of 28000.00. Row 3 (Mary, 2011) has a CurrentQuota of 556000.00 and a PreviousQuota of 367000.00. Row 4 (Bob, 2011) has a CurrentQuota of 7000.00 and a PreviousQuota of 556000.00. Row 5 (Bob, 2012) has a CurrentQuota of 70000.00 and a PreviousQuota of NULL. Row 6 (Mary, 2012) has a CurrentQuota of 502000.00 and a PreviousQuota of 70000.00. The arrows indicate the flow of data from the CurrentQuota of one row to the PreviousQuota of the next row.

# LAG() in T-SQL

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
-- Create a window function to get the values from the previous row  
    LAG(CurrentQuota)  
      OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear ORDER BY ModifiedDate) AS PreviousQuota,  
    ModifiedDate AS ModDate  
FROM SaleGoal
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|PreviousQuota|ModDate|  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |NULL         |2011-04-15|  
|Mary       |2011     |367000.00   |28000.00     |2011-04-16|  
|Mary       |2011     |556000.00   |367000.00    |2011-07-15|  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00.00  |556000.00    |2011-07-17|  
|Bob        |2012     |7000.00     |NULL         |2012-01-15|  
|Mary       |2012     |502000.00   |7000.00      |2012-01-16|  
...  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

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# Increasing window complexity

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# Reviewing aggregations

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
       SUM(CurrentQuota)  
       OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear) AS YearlyTotal,  
       ModifiedDate as ModDate  
FROM SaleGoal
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|YearlyTotal| ModDate |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |1551000.00|2011-04-16|  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00     |1551000.00|2011-07-17|  
|Bob        |2011     |91000.00    |1551000.00|2011-10-17|  
|Mary       |2011     |140000.00   |1551000.00|2012-04-15|  
|Mary       |2011     |70000.00    |1551000.00|2012-07-15|  
|Mary       |2011     |154000.00   |1551000.00|2012-01-15|  
|Mary       |2012     |107000.00   |1859000.00|2012-01-16|  
...  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

# Adding ORDER BY to an aggregation

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
       SUM(CurrentQuota)  
       OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear ORDER BY SalesPerson) AS YearlyTotal,  
       ModifiedDate as ModDate  
FROM SaleGoal
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|YearTotal|ModDate|  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |35000.00 |2011-04-16|  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00     |35000.00 |2011-07-17|  
|Mary       |2011     |367000.00   |958000.00|2011-10-17|  
|Mary       |2011     |556000.00   |958000.00|2012-04-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |70000.00    |401000.00|2012-07-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |154000.00   |401000.00|2012-10-16|  
...  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

# Creating a running total with ORDER BY

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
       SUM(CurrentQuota)  
       OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear ORDER BY ModifiedDate) as RunningTotal,  
       ModifiedDate as ModDate  
FROM SaleGoal
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|RunningTotal| ModDate |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |28000.00    |2011-04-16|  
|Mary       |2011     |367000.00   |395000.00   |2011-07-17|  
|Mary       |2011     |556000.00   |951000.00   |2011-10-17|  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00     |958000.00   |2012-04-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |70000.00    |70000.00    |2012-01-15|  
|Mary       |2012     |502000.00   |572000.00   |2012-01-16|  
...  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

# Adding row numbers

- `ROW_NUMBER()` sequentially numbers the rows in the window
- `ORDER BY` is required when using `ROW_NUMBER()`

	SalesPerson	SalesYear	CurrentQuota	Quota by SalesPerson
1	Bob	2011	28000.00	1
2	Bob	2011	7000.00	2
3	Bob	2012	70000.00	3
4	Bob	2012	154000.00	4
5	Bob	2012	70000.00	5
6	Bob	2012	107000.00	6
7	Bob	2013	91000.00	7
8	Mary	2011	367000.00	1
9	Mary	2011	556000.00	2

# Adding row numbers in T-SQL

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
       ROW_NUMBER()  
       OVER (PARTITION BY SalesPerson ORDER BY SalesYear) AS QuotabySalesPerson  
FROM SaleGoal
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|QuotabySalesPerson|  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |1                  |  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00     |2                  |  
|Bob        |2011     |70000.00    |3                  |  
|Bob        |2011     |154000.00   |4                  |  
|Bob        |2012     |70000.00    |5                  |  
|Bob        |2012     |107000.00   |6                  |  
|Bob        |2012     |91000.00    |7                  |  
|Mary       |2011     |367000.00   |1                  |  
...  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

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# Using windows for calculating statistics

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# Calculating the standard deviation

- Calculate standard deviation either for the entire table or for each window
- `STDEV()` calculates the standard deviation

# Calculating the standard deviation for the entire table

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
       STDEV(CurrentQuota)  
       OVER () AS StandardDev,  
       ModifiedDate AS ModDate  
FROM SaleGoal
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|StandardDev      | ModDate |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |267841.370964233 |2011-04-16|  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00     |267841.370964233 |2011-07-17|  
|Bob        |2011     |91000.00    |267841.370964233 |2011-10-17|  
|Bob        |2012     |140000.00   |267841.370964233 |2012-01-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |70000.00    |267841.370964233 |2012-04-15|  
...  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

# Calculating the standard deviation for each partition

```
SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
       STDEV(CurrentQuota)  
       OVER (PARTITION BY SalesYear ORDER BY SalesYear) AS StDev,  
       ModifiedDate AS ModDate  
FROM SaleGoal
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|StDev      | ModDate |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |267841.54080|2011-04-16|  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00     |267841.54080|2011-07-17|  
|Mary       |2011     |91000.00    |267841.54080|2011-04-16|  
|Mary       |2011     |140000.00   |267841.54080|2011-07-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |70000.00    |246538.86248|2012-01-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |154000.00   |246538.86248|2012-04-15|  
|Bob        |2012     |107000.00   |246538.86248|2012-07-16|  
...  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

# Calculating the mode

- Mode is the value which appears the most often in your data
- To calculate mode:
  - Create a CTE containing an ordered count of values using ROW\_NUMBER
  - Write a query using the CTE to pick the value with the highest row number

# Calculating the mode in T-SQL (I)

```
WITH QuotaCount AS (  
  SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
         ROW_NUMBER()  
           OVER (PARTITION BY CurrentQuota ORDER BY CurrentQuota) AS QuotaList  
  FROM SaleGoal  
)  
SELECT * FROM QuotaCount
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|SalesPerson|SalesYear|CurrentQuota|QuotaList|  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
|Bob        |2011     |7000.00     |1        |  
|Bob        |2011     |28000.00    |1        |  
|Bob        |2011     |70000.00    |1        |  
|Bob        |2012     |70000.00    |2        |  
|Mary       |2012     |73000.00    |1        |  
...  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

- Notice there are two values for 70,000.00

# Calculating the mode in T-SQL (II)

```
WITH QuotaCount AS (  
  SELECT SalesPerson, SalesYear, CurrentQuota,  
         ROW_NUMBER()  
           OVER (PARTITION BY CurrentQuota ORDER BY CurrentQuota) AS QuotaList  
  FROM SaleGoal  
)  
  
SELECT CurrentQuota, QuotaList AS Mode  
FROM QuotaCount  
WHERE QuotaList IN (SELECT MAX(QuotaList) FROM QuotaCount)
```

```
+-----+-----+  
|CurrentQuota|Mode      |  
+-----+-----+  
|70000.00    |2          |  
+-----+-----+
```

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