

# **Final Group Project**

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## **Project Scope**

The project revolves around creating a comprehensive database for a laptop-selling website, similar to newegg.ca. The website targets a diverse range of customers, from individuals to small businesses, seeking customizable laptop solutions. Laptops are known for their extensive customization options, making it essential for customers to have a platform that facilitates easy comparison based on their unique requirements.

The primary objective of this project is to establish a robust database system that supports the laptop sales website's functionalities and services. The database will encompass a wealth of laptop specifications, enabling customers to make informed purchasing decisions. The user base includes both individual consumers and small business entities. Given the highly customizable nature of laptops, the platform will empower users to filter and sort options based on a plethora of criteria, such as GPU, CPU, price range, screen type, brand, RAM, dimensions, model and production year.

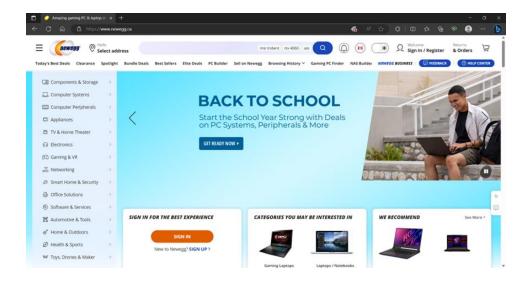
The website will not only cater to customers but also accommodate business-driven aspects. It will provide insights into discounts available throughout the year, such as clearance sales, special events like back-to-school and Black Friday, as well as bulk purchase discounts.

The mission of the project is to furnish customers with laptops that align perfectly with their technological needs and preferences, all at competitive prices. The platform will serve as a one-stop-shop where customers can explore a wide array of laptop options, configure their desired specifications, and receive personalized recommendations. Furthermore, the database will maintain records of customer interactions, including order histories, and establish a seamless purchasing experience.

We also want our database to allow the management of our organization, NouvelOeuf, to gain insights upon stock management and customer preferences.

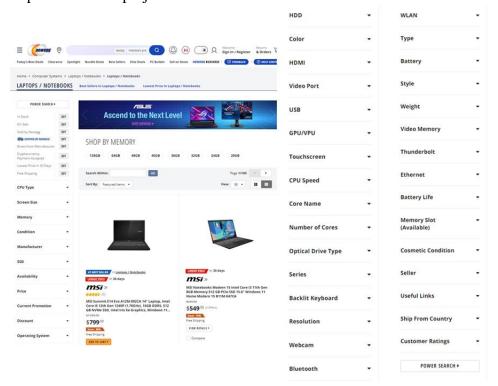
#### Overview of the business scenario

Newegg.ca is an online retail platform specializing in electronics, particularly computer hardware and consumer electronics, offering a wide range of products and services to tech-savvy customers in Canada. Here's a screenshot of the webpage home screen:



In the context of your project, the laptop section of Newegg.ca's website serves as a primary reference point for designing the database. In the context of the project, the laptop section of Newegg.ca's website serves as a primary reference point for designing the database. The provided screenshots illustrate the essential user interface elements and features that will be incorporated into the project. By examining the laptop page, it's evident that the website allows users to easily search for laptops and apply filters based on various laptop specifications, such as GPU, CPU, price, and production year.

These screenshots serve as a tangible representation of the features and functionalities we aim to implement in the project:





#### **Business Rules:**

- GPU and CPU models are assumed to be unique within a given year.
- A brand must offer at least one GPU, CPU, Memory or laptop model each to be included in the database.
- Laptop models influence available screen options.
- Every laptop must be equipped with a CPU and memory.
- An order must include at least one laptop (quantity > 0).
- Customers can only have one active shipping address.
- A customer becomes official after placing their first order.
- The screen options available for a laptop model are influenced by the model itself.
- A laptop model number is unique per brand (e.g., Dell XPS 15 vs HP XPS 15)
- To qualify for free shipping, the order subtotal must exceed the minimum amount set by the business. This minimum can vary by promotion.

By adhering to these business rules, the project aims to create a comprehensive and functional database that facilitates smooth interactions between customers and the laptop-selling platform. This approach ensures accuracy, consistency, and reliability in serving the needs of both users and the business

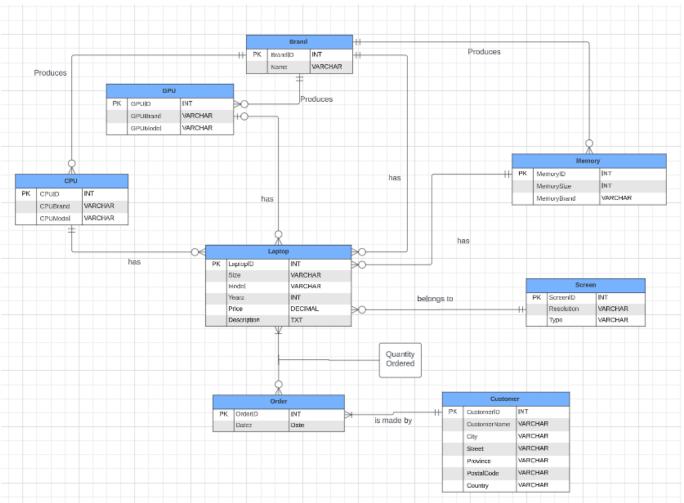
#### **Mission Statement**

NouvelOeuf wants to constantly be studying its processes and its customers to keep on improving to deliver products that fits all customers' needs in the most efficient way possible.

## **Mission Objectives**

- 1. Continuous Process Analysis: Regularly analyze and evaluate internal processes, workflows, and operational procedures to identify areas for improvement and efficiency enhancement.
- 2. Customer Research and Understanding: Conduct comprehensive research to understand customer preferences, behavior, and evolving needs to tailor products that align with their requirements.
- 3. Product Customization: Develop a flexible product development framework that allows for customization and personalization to cater to diverse customer segments and their unique preferences.
- 4. Efficiency Maximization: Identify bottlenecks and inefficiencies within the production and delivery processes and work towards streamlining operations to reduce costs and minimize waste.
- 5. Data-Driven Decision Making: Utilize data analytics and metrics to make informed decisions regarding product enhancements, customer satisfaction initiatives, and operational improvements.
- 6. Market Analysis: Regularly monitor market trends, competitor activities, and industry developments to identify new opportunities and potential threats, enabling the company to stay ahead of the curve.
- 7. Collaborative Partnerships: Foster strategic partnerships with suppliers, distributors, and other stakeholders to create a network that supports efficient production, distribution, and customer satisfaction.
- 8. Global Expansion: Explore opportunities for expanding the company's reach to new markets and customer segments while maintaining a consistent focus on delivering products that fulfill customer needs efficiently.
- 9. Measurable Progress: Define clear key performance indicators (KPIs) to track progress toward mission objectives, enabling the organization to measure its success and make data-driven adjustments as needed.

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# Appendix A DATA DICTIONARIES

Data Dictionary 1 - Description of Entities

Occurrence
One laptop must have one brand and a laptop can choose many kinds of CPU, GPU or not. A laptop must have a
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			laptop can appear in many orders or not.
Memory	Store information about different types of computer memory components, such as memory size and memory brand.	Memory, Storage	A memory must be applied in a laptop.
Brand	Contains details about various brands of electronic products available on the website.	Brand	A brand can choose to produce many laptops, GPU,CPU or not, and a brand must have at least one model.
GPU	Contains specifications and details about (GPUs) used in computers, such as the brand and the year.	GPU	The same kind of GPU can be installed on many laptops and a GPU can also not be applied on any laptops.
CPU	Stores information about CPU used in computers, such as such as the brand and the year.	CPU	The same kind of CPU can be installed on many laptops and a CPU can also not be applied on any laptops.
Screen	Contains specifications and details about display screens used in laptops, including resolution and type.	Screen, Monitor	A model of screen can be used on many models of computers, and it is also possible that a model of screen is not used in any computer.
Order	Holds information about customer orders placed on the website	Order, Purchase	An order may contain one or more laptops and an order can only correspond to one customer.
Customer	Contains details about registered customers who have already placed at least one order on the website.	Customer, User	A customer can place one or more orders.

Data Dictionary 2 - Description of Attributes

Entity Name	Attributes	Description	Data Type	Nulls	Mul i- valu ed	Deri ved	Defau lt
Laptop	LaptopID	Unique ID for each laptop	Small integer	No	No	No	None
	Size	Dimensions of laptop	20 variables chars	No	No	No	None
	Price	Price of laptop	Decimal	No	No	No	None
	Description	A brief description of the laptop	Text	Yes	No	No	None
	Model	Laptop model unique ID	30 variable chars	No	No	No	None
	Yearz	Year that the model was created	Small integer	No	No	No	None
Memory	MemoryID	Unique ID for each laptop memory	Small integer	No	No	No	None
	MemorySiz e	Amount of memory a laptop has	Small integer	No	No	No	None
	MemoryBra nd	Name of memory brand	20 variable chars	No	No	No	None
Brand	BrandID	Unique ID for each laptop brand	Small integer	No	No	No	None
	Name	Name of laptop brand	20 variable chars	No	No	No	None
GPU	GPUID	Unique ID for each laptop GPU	Small integer	No	No	No	None
	GPUBrand	Name of GPU brand	20 variable chars	No	No	No	None
	GPUModel	Name of the GPU model	50 variable chars	No	No	No	None
CPU	CPUID	Unique ID for each laptop CPU	Small integer	No	No	No	None
	CPUBrand	Name of CPU brand	20 variable chars	No	No	No	None

	CPUModel	Name of the CPU model	50 variable chars	No	No	No	None
Screen	ScreenID	Unique ID for each laptop screen	Small integer	No	No	No	None
	Resolution	Number of pixels the screen can display	20 variable chars	No	No	No	None
	Type	Technology used in constructing the screen	50 variable chars	No	No	No	None
Order	OrderID	Unique ID for each order	Small integer	No	No	No	None
	Datez	Date the order was made (day- month-year)	Date	No	No	No	None
Customer	CustomerID	Unique ID for each customer who has placed an order	Small integer	No	No	No	None
	CustomerNa me	The name of the customer	20 variable chars	No	No	No	None
	City	The city of the customer delivery address	20 variable chars	No	No	No	None
	Street	The street of the customer delivery address	20 variable chars	No	No	No	None
	Province	The province of the customer	20 variable chars	No	No	No	None
	PostalCode	The postal code of the address	7 Variable chars	No	No	No	None
	Country	The country of the customer	20 Variable chars	No	No	No	None

## Appendix B RELATIONAL SCHEMA

Laptop (LaptopID, Size, Model, Year, Price, Description, BrandID, GPUID, CPUID, MemoryID, ScreenID)

Primary Key: LaptopID

Foreign Key: BrandID References Brand(BrandID)

Foreign Key: GPUID References GPU(GPUID)

Foreign Key: CPUID References CPU(CPUID)

Foreign Key: MemoryID References Memory(MemoryID)

Foreign Key: ScreenID References Screen(ScreenID)

OrderQuantity (LaptopID, OrderID, Quantity)

Primary Key: LaptopID, OrderID

Foreign Key: LaptopID References Laptop(LaptopID)

Foreign Key: OrderID References Order(OrderID)

Order (OrderID, Date, CustomerID)

Primary Key: OrderID

Foreign Key: CustomerID References Customer(CustomerID)

Customer (CustomerID, Name, City, Street, Province, PostalCode, Country)

Primary Key: CustomerID

Brand (BrandID, Name)

Primary Key: BrandID

Screen (ScreenID, Resolution, Type)

Primary Key: ScreenID

GPU (GPUID, GPUBrand, GPUModel)

Primary Key: GPUID

Foreign Key: GPUBrand References Brand(BrandID)

CPU (CPUID, CPUBrand, CPUModel)

Primary Key: CPUID

Foreign Key: CPUBrand References Brand(BrandID)

Memory (MemoryID, MemorySize, MemoryBrand)

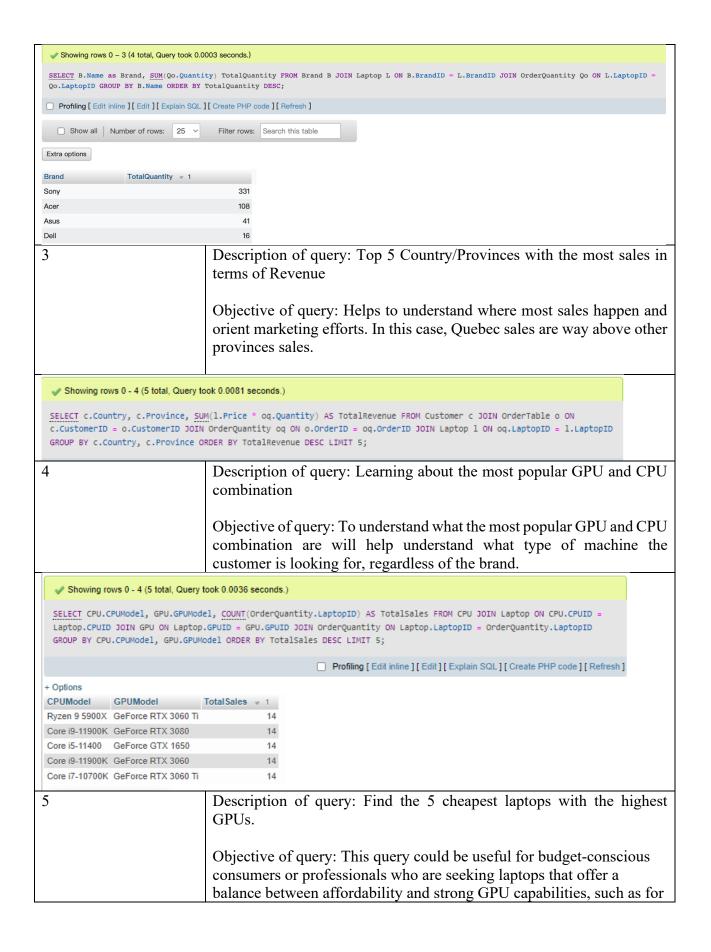
Primary Key: MemoryID

Foreign Key: MemoryBrand References Brand(BrandID)

## **APPENDIX C**

Screenshot of query outputs

Numb	per	Description & Object	Description & Objectives		
1		Description of query:	Description of query: Top 5 sellers in terms of units.		
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		Objective of query:	This query assists in understanding customer		
			llocating resources effectively to maximize		
			helps the company prioritize production and		
			ards these top-performing laptop models.		
✓ Showing	ing rows 0 - 4 (5 total, 0	Query took 0.0004 seconds.)			
SELECT 1	L.LaptopID, L.Model	, L.Description, SUM(Qo.Quantity) TotalQuantit	y FROM Laptop L INNER JOIN OrderQuantity Qo ON Qo.LaptopID = L.LaptopID		
		el ORDER BY TotalQuantity DESC LIMIT 5;			
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Extra optio	ons				
LaptopID	Model	Description	TotalQuantity v 1		
LaptopiD	40 Sony Vaio FE	Premium laptop with i7–1185G7 and RTX 3050 Ti grap			
	30 Sony Vaio FE	Thin and light clamshell laptop with Intel Core i7	91		
	10 Sony VAIO Z	Premium convertible laptop with Core i9-12900H, RT	66		
	20 Sony VAIO FE	Premium clamshell laptop with Core i7–1185G7 and 1	57		
	5 Asus ROG Zephyr	us Ultra-thin gaming laptop with RTX 3060 and Ryzen 9	41		
2		Description of query:	Most popular brand.		
_			receive for the second		
		Objective of query: T	ne company can use this information to strengthen		
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			ular brands and negotiate better deals. It also helps		
			ich brands resonate the most with customers,		
		guiding decisions rela	ted to brand positioning, and branding strategies.		



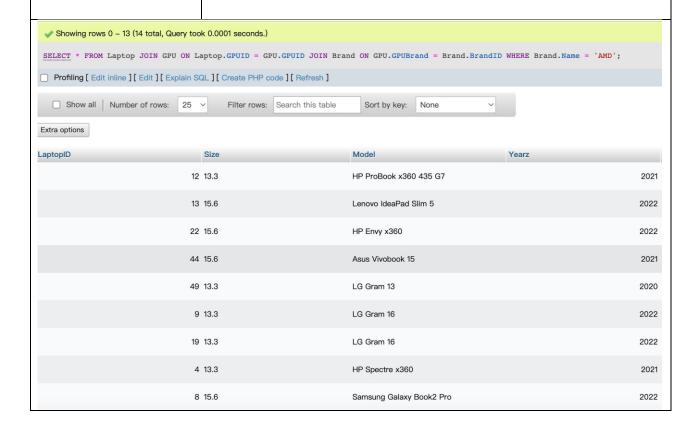
gaming, video editing, or other graphics-intensive tasks. It aims to provide options that prioritize both cost-effectiveness and GPU performance.

√ Showing rows 0 - 4 (5 total, Query took 0.0002 seconds.) [GPUModel: RADEON RX 5700... - RADEON RX 5700...] [Price: 1499.00... - 1999.00...] SELECT Laptop.LaptopID, Laptop.Size, Laptop.Model, Laptop.Yearz, Laptop.Price, Brand.Name AS Brand, GPU.GPUBrand AS GPUBrand, GPU.GPUModel AS GPUModel FROM Laptop INNER JOIN Brand ON Laptop.BrandID = Brand.BrandID INNER JOIN GPU ON Laptop.GPUID = GPU.GPUID ORDER BY GPU.GPUModel DESC, Laptop.Price ASC LIMIT 5: Profiling [ Edit inline ] [ Edit ] [ Explain SQL ] [ Create PHP code ] [ Refresh ] Extra options Size Model **GPUBrand** LaptopID Yearz Price Brand Samsung Galaxy Book2 18 15.6 2022 1499.00 Samsung 4 13.3 HP Spectre x360 1699.00 HP 2021 Samsung Galaxy Book 1699.00 Samsung Samsung Galaxy Book2 8 15.6 2022 1699.00 Samsung Samsung Galaxy Book 28 15.6 2023 1999.00 Samsung

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Description of query: Find all laptops with GPU brand AMD.

Objective of query: This query could be valuable for individuals or organizations looking for laptops specifically with AMD GPUs for purposes such as graphics-intensive tasks, gaming, or compatibility with certain software applications that are optimized for Intel graphics technology.



Description of query: Find laptop models and prices within a specified price range. Objective of query: This query can enhance the user's experience by helping them quickly locate laptops that match their budget constraints. SELECT Model, Price FROM Laptop WHERE Price BETWEEN 500 AND 1000; Profiling [ Edit inline ] [ Edit ] [ Explain SQL ] [ Create PHP code ] [ Refresh ] ☐ Show all Number of rows: 25 ∨ Filter rows: Search this table Sort by key: None Extra options  $\leftarrow T \rightarrow$ 899.00 999.00 749.00 Opposition 2 Delete Dell Inspiron 15 699 00 749.00 599.00 749.00 Operation 

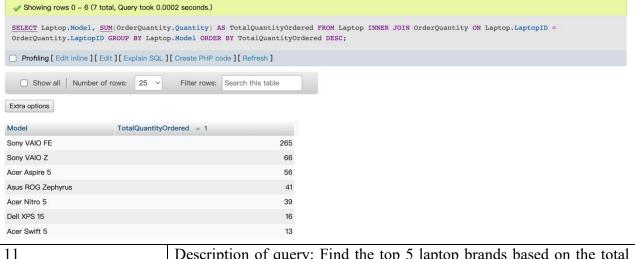
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 O Delete MSI GF63 Thin 549.00 799.00 699.00 8 Description of query: Find the top customer who has made the most purchases and also provide information about their most purchased laptop. Objective of query: This query can help the company in recognizing high-value customers, understanding their preferences, and establishing a personalized customer experience. It could also be used for loyalty programs, targeted marketing, and improving customer retention strategies by offering products that align with the customer's preferences and purchasing behavior. SELECT Customer.Name AS CustomerName, COUNT (OrderQuantity.OrderID) AS TotalPurchases, Laptop.Model AS MostPurchasedLaptop FROM Customer INNER JOIN OrderTable ON Customer.CustomerID = OrderTable.CustomerID INNER JOIN OrderQuantity ON OrderTable.OrderID = OrderQuantity.OrderID INNER JOIN Laptop ON OrderQuantity.LaptopID = Laptop.LaptopID GROUP BY Customer.CustomerID, Customer.Name, Laptop.Model ORDER BY TotalPurchases DESC LIMIT ☐ Profiling [ Edit inline ] [ Edit ] [ Explain SQL ] [ Create PHP code ] [ Refresh ] Extra options CustomerName TotalPurchases MostPurchasedLaptop Karen Scott 5 Acer Aspire 5 9 Description of query: Find the average price of laptops for each screen type.

Objective of query: This query can help in understanding pricing patterns and in optimizing pricing strategies for various laptop models. It provides insights into how different screen types impact the average price, allowing businesses to make informed decisions about product offerings and pricing adjustments.



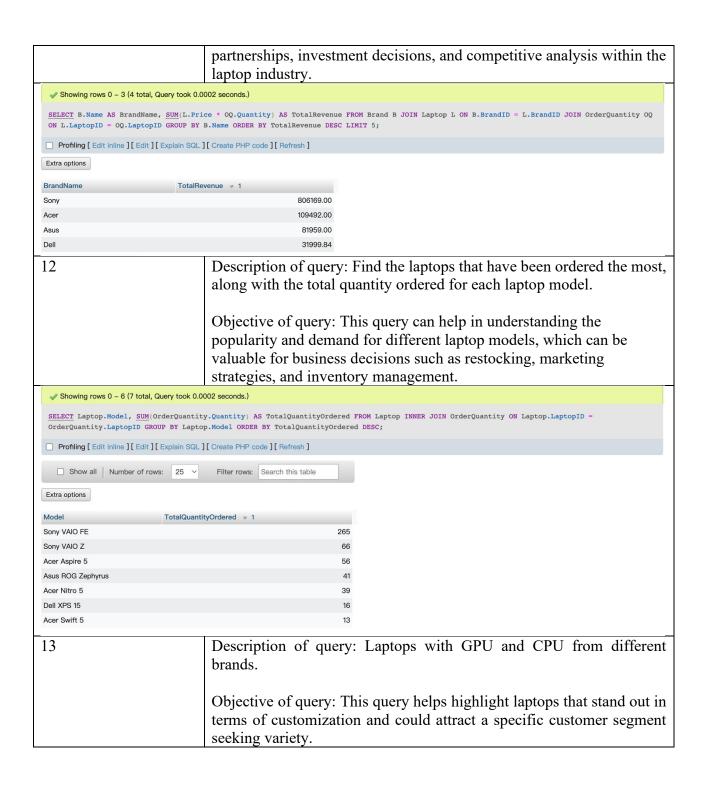
Description of query: Find the total quantity of each laptop model ordered.

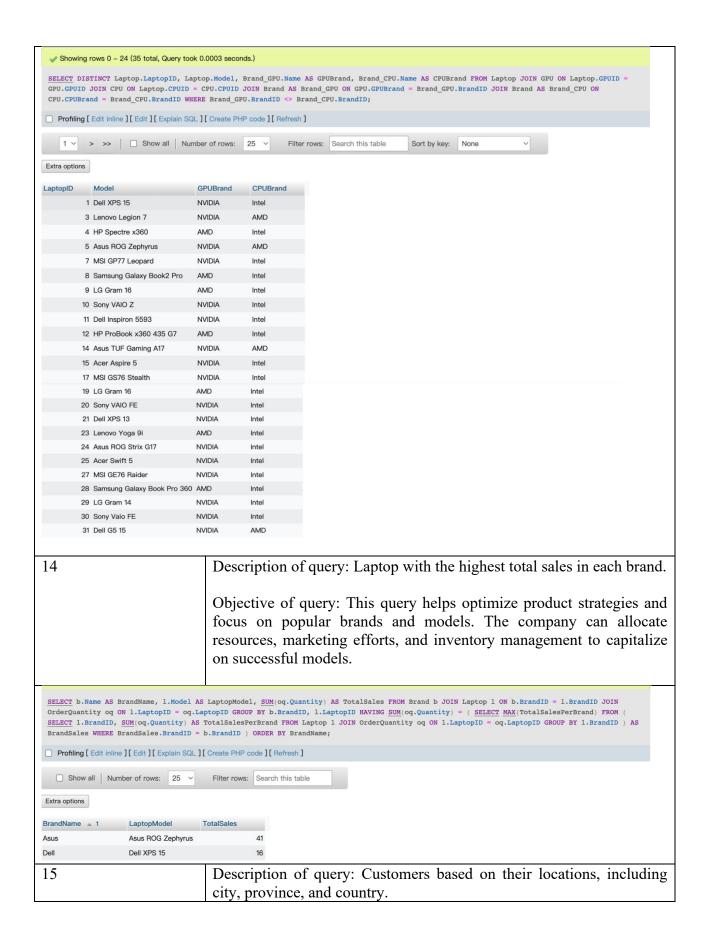
Objective of query: This query is useful for assessing the popularity and demand for different laptop models, identifying trends, optimizing inventory management, and making informed decisions about production and distribution strategies.



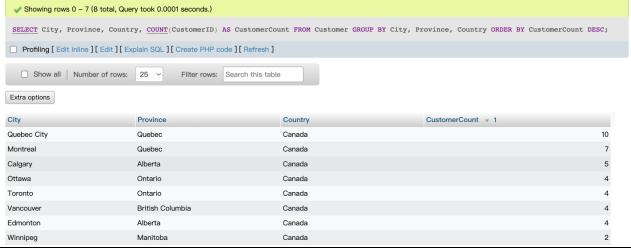
Description of query: Find the top 5 laptop brands based on the total revenue generated from their laptop sales.

Objective of query: This query can identify the most financially successful laptop brands in terms of revenue, which can provide insights into market dominance, customer preferences, and brand performance. This information could be used for strategic planning,





Objective of query: By understanding customer locations, the company can optimize its marketing campaigns. It can target regions with high customer concentrations for localized promotions, events, or partnerships. Additionally, regions with low customer concentrations can be targeted for expansion efforts to increase brand awareness and customer acquisition.



Description of query: Laptops with the Highest Number of Orders in the Year with the Lowest Total Sales.

Objective of query: The company gains insights into resilient and sought-after products. This information can guide promotional efforts, discounts, or marketing campaigns to boost sales during tough periods.



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Description of query: Number of laptops sold each year.

Objective of query: This query helps the company analyze sales trends, demand fluctuations and market growth, aiming in resource allocation and production planning. ✓ Showing rows 0 – 3 (4 total, Query took 0.0001 seconds.) SELECT YEAR(Datez) AS SalesYear, COUNT (DISTINCT LaptopID) AS NumberOfLaptopsSold FROM OrderTable ot JOIN OrderQuantity oq ON ot.OrderID og.OrderID GROUP BY SalesYear ORDER BY SalesYear; ☐ Profiling [ Edit inline ] [ Edit ] [ Explain SQL ] [ Create PHP code ] [ Refresh ] ☐ Show all Number of rows: 25 ∨ Filter rows: Search this table Extra options NumberOfLaptopsSold SalesYear 🔺 1 2020 10 2021 10 10 Description of query: Orders with quantity higher than the average order 18 quantity. Objective of query: It allows the company to segment high-value customers for targeted marketing. It also enables the design of loyalty programs or incentives to encourage repeat purchases from these valuable customers. ✓ Showing rows 0 – 24 (54 total, Query took 0.0002 seconds.) [OrderID: 3... – 23...] SELECT o.OrderID, o.Datez, o.CustomerID, oq.Quantity FROM OrderTable o JOIN OrderQuantity oq ON o.OrderID = oq.OrderID WHERE oq.Quantity > (SELECT AVG(Quantity) FROM OrderQuantity) ORDER BY o.OrderID; Profiling [ Edit inline ] [ Edit ] [ Explain SQL ] [ Create PHP code ] [ Refresh ] Filter rows: Search this table Sort by key: None Extra options OrderID a 1 CustomerID Quantity Datez 3 2022-05-28 5 3 2022-05-28 3 2022-05-28 5 2021-02-17 5 2021-02-17 7 2020-11-29 7 2020-11-29 7 2020-11-29 24 9 2022-06-15 9 2022-06-15 24 9 2022-06-15 24 13 2020-12-16 36

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