Combining and Filtering Data with T-SQL

Filtering and Controlling Flow



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Overview



- WHERE syntax
- >, >=, <, <=, %, =, !=
- AND / OR
- Filter previous queries using WHERE
- Nested SELECT queries and optimization concerns
- Using filtering to analyze for data integrity and query validation



Demo



WHERE syntax

Quantifiers

- Greater than
- Less than
- Equals
- Not Equal

Adding nested selects in WHERE clauses Filtering on NULL



Applying T-SQL Logical Operators

```
/* Logical Operators */
/* both expressions must be true*/
(10 > 5) AND (10 > 8)
/* either expression must be true*/
(10 < 5) OR (10 > 8)
/* pattern filtering using LIKE */
LIKE '%oma%' LIKE 'D%', LIKE '%n'
NOT LIKE '%oma%' LIKE 'D%', LIKE '%n'
/* range of values */
BETWEEN 1 AND 5
NOT BETWEEN 1 AND 5
```

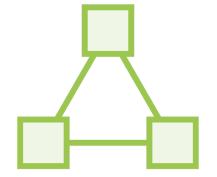
Filtering the Results in T-SQL Queries



Expression operators (=, !=, >, >=, <, <=)



Logical operators (AND, OR, LIKE, BETWEEN, NOT)



Logic (IF, IF/ELSE, WHILE)



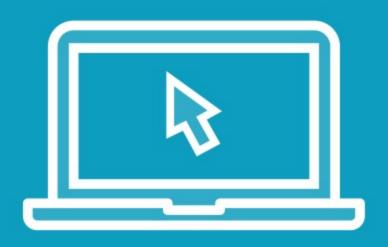
IF it's cold OR windy wear a coat

IF a good movie is playing GOTO: Movie

ELSE read a book

WHILE the dishes are dirty keep washing!

Demo



Controlling Flow

- IF
 - IF/ELSE
 - IF/ELSE IF/ELSE
 - IIF vs IF
- WHILE
 - BREAK
 - CONTINUE
- GOTO

```
/* IF */
DECLARE @num1 AS INT, @num2 AS INT
SET @num1 = 5
SET @num2 = 10
/* Evaluate for variables */
IF @num1 < @num2
 BEGIN
  PRINT '@num1 is less than @num2'
 END
/* Executes everything from here */
SELECT * FROM table
```

```
/* IF/ELSE */
DECLARE @num1 AS INT, @num2 AS INT
SET @num1 = 5
SET @num2 = 10
/* Evaluate for variables */
IF @num1 < @num2
 BEGIN
  PRINT 'less than '
 END
ELSE
  PRINT 'not less than'
```

```
/* IF/ELSE IF/ELSE */
DECLARE @num1 AS INT, @num2 AS INT
SET @num1 = 5
SET @num2 = 10
/* Evaluate for variables */
IF @num1 < @num2
 BEGIN
  PRINT 'less than '
 END
ELSE IF @num1 > @num2
 BEGIN
  PRINT 'greater than'
 END
ELSE
  PRINT 'equal'
```

```
/* WHILE */
DECLARE @firstNum AS INT
SET @firstNum = 0
WHILE @firstNum < 3
  BEGIN
    SET @firstNum = @firstNum + 1
    PRINT @firstNum
  END
PRINT 'Finished WHILE'
```

```
/* IF/ELSE/GOTO */
DECLARE @num1 AS VARCHAR,
DECLARE @num2 AS VARCHAR
SET @num1 = 5
SET @num2 = 10
/* Evaluate for variables */
IF ISNUMERIC (@num1) OR ISNUMERIC (@num2)
      AND @num2 > 0
 BEGIN
  GOTO CalcValue
 END
ELSE
  BEGIN
    GOTO
           PrintMessage
  END
CalcValue:
             @num1/@num2
       PRINT
PrintMessage:
      PRINT 'these values are not numeric or @num2 is 0'
```

Filtering and Controlling Flow Summary



Expressions and Comparison Operators

- WHERE
- **-** >, >=, <, <=, =, !=
- LIKE / NOT LIKE
- Nested SELECT queries and optimization concerns
- Using filtering to analyze for data integrity and query validation

Applying T-SQL Logical Operators

- AND, OR
- BETWEEN
- Compounded logical operators

Controlling Flow with T-SQL Logic

- IF/IIF
- WHILE
- BREAK CONTINUE GOTO



Exercise Files

- M5 Comparison operators and NULL
- M5 Controlling Flow ISNUMERIC and GOTO
- M5 Controlling Flow with IF
- M5 Controlling Flow with WHILE-BREAK-CONTINUE
- M5 Filtering for NULL 1
- M5 Filtering for NULL 2
- M5 Filtering Query Results
- M5 Filtering the table example
- M5 Filtering using IN and NOT IN
- M5 LIKE and NOT LIKE filtering
- M5 Logical and Logical Operators
- M5 Logical Operators
- M5 Using quantifiers to filters

Up Next:

Limiting the Results with T-SQL Functions

