

# Ecommerce platform database modeling and analysis in PostgreSQL

This project demonstrates the application of SQL skills in joins, aggregations and optimization to design and implement an efficient schema for an E-commerce platform.

The following is further documentation on each task for submission

## Task 1: Database Design

The database contains for tables; **customers**, **products**, **orders** and **order\_items**. We establish a relationship between the **orders** and **customers** table through a foreign key column **customer\_id** in the **customers** table to the **customer\_id** column in the **orders** table. The **order\_items** table contains product and customer information for each made by customers. **order\_id** and **product\_id** columns in **order\_item** link to the **order\_id** and **product\_id** columns in **orders** and **products** tables. The ER diagram below provides a visual representation of the schema

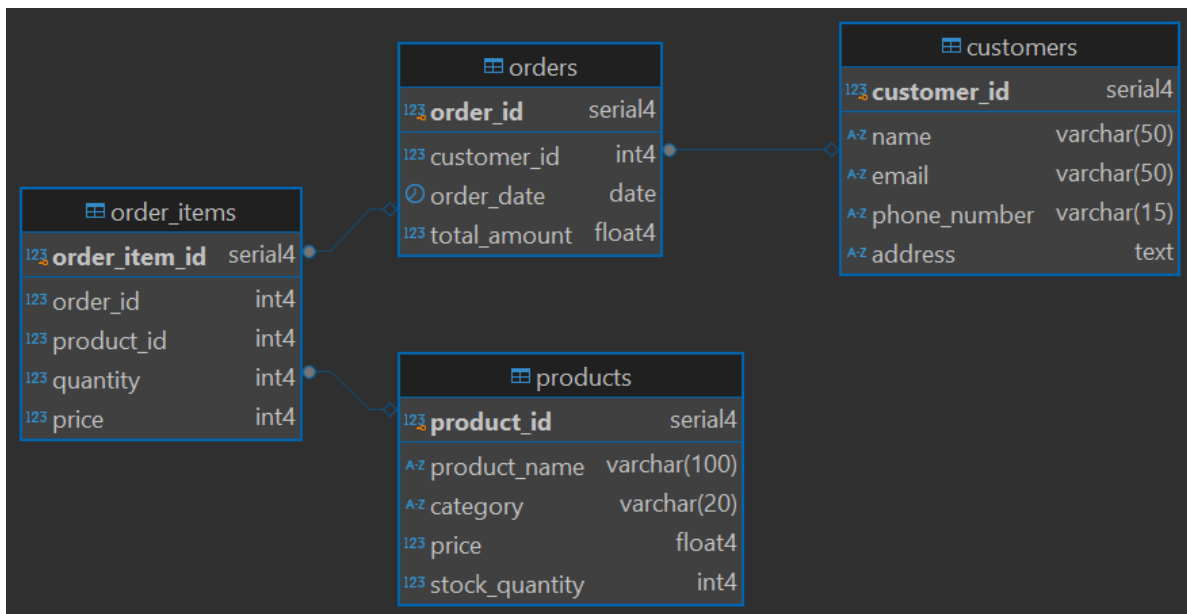


Figure 1: Schema

## Task 2: Database Setup

To implement the schema in the database, we call `create table if not exists <table_name> (<col_1>,<col_2?>, ...)` for each table and the corresponding con-

straints and relationships in the columns.

```
•create table customers (  
    customer_id serial primary key,  
    name varchar(50) not null,  
    email varchar(50) unique not null,  
    phone_number varchar(15) unique not null,  
    address text not null  
);  
  
•create table products (  
    product_id serial primary key,  
    product_name varchar(100) unique not null,  
    category varchar(20) not null,  
    price float(2) not null,  
    stock_quantity int  
);  
  
•create table orders (  
    order_id serial primary key,  
    customer_id int references customers(customer_id),  
    order_date date,  
    total_amount float(2)  
);  
  
•create table order_items (  
    order_item_id serial primary key,  
    order_id int references orders(order_id),  
    product_id int references products(product_id),  
    quantity int not null,  
    price int not null  
)
```

Figure 2: create\_tables

To persist data, we call `insert into <table_name> (<col_1>, <col_2>, ...) values (<val_1>, <val_2>, ...)` for each table.

```

•INSERT INTO customers (name, email, phone_number, address) VALUES
('Aisha Abubakar', 'aisha.abubakar@example.com', '0709117264', '123 Biashara Street, Eastleigh, Nairobi'),
('Benson Kiprotich', 'b.kiprotich@company.net', '0721752252', '456 Koinange Street, Nairobi CBD'),
('Catherine Wanjiku', 'c.wanjiku@mail.org', '0735233833', '789 Tom Mboya Street, Nairobi CBD'),
('David Omondi', 'david.omondi@web.io', '07100745296', '101 Moi Avenue, Nairobi CBD'),
('Esther Akinyi', 'e.akinyi@email.co.ke', '0772491745', '222 Ronald Ngala Street, Nairobi CBD'),
('Felix Musyoka', 'f.musyoka@online.com', '0766666666', '333 River Road, Nairobi CBD'),
('Grace Atieno', 'grace.atieno@mymail.com', '07753924777', '444 Accra Road, Nairobi CBD'),
('Hassan Mohammed', 'h.mohammed@domain.net', '0787833963', '555 Latema Road, Nairobi CBD'),
('Ivy Chebet', 'ivy.chebet@site.org', '0753926484', '666 Kirinyaga Road, Nairobi CBD'),
('John Kamau', 'john.kamau@mail.io', '0701234567', '777 Luthuli Avenue, Nairobi CBD'),
('Khadija Ali', 'k.ali@email.com', '0712345678', '888 Moi Drive, Nairobi West'),

```

Figure 3: Customers

```

•INSERT INTO products (product_name, category, price, stock_quantity) VALUES
('Sony Bravia 55" TV', 'Electronics', 80000.00, 20),
('Savon Soap', 'Detergents', 80.00, 180),
('Garnier Micellar Water', 'Skincare', 600.00, 80),
('Kimbo Cooking Oil', 'Foods', 250.00, 80),
('Samsung Galaxy S23', 'Electronics', 120000.00, 30),
('Sunlight Dishwashing Liquid', 'Detergents', 180.00, 120),
('Pears Soap', 'Skincare', 100.00, 200),
('Raha Ugali', 'Foods', 120.00, 56),
('LG Refrigerator', 'Electronics', 60000.00, 15),
('Ariel Washing Powder', 'Detergents', 300.00, 75),
('Vaseline Petroleum Jelly', 'Skincare', 200.00, 150),
('Jogoo Maize Flour', 'Foods', 150.00, 100),
('Hisense Microwave', 'Electronics', 15000.00, 40),
('Jik Bleach', 'Detergents', 150.00, 90),
('Nivea Moisturizing Cream', 'Skincare', 450.00, 100),
('Brookside Milk', 'Foods', 60.00, 200),
('Skyworth 32" TV', 'Electronics', 25000.00, 35),
('Dettol Antiseptic Liquid', 'Detergents', 400.00, 60),
('Pemba Unga', 'Foods', 130.00, 90),
('Fresh Fri Cooking Oil', 'Foods', 280.00, 60);

```

Figure 4: Products

```

●INSERT INTO orders (customer_id, order_date, total_amount) VALUES
(22, '2024-06-15', 125.50),
(4, '2024-07-07', 300.00),
(45, '2024-09-20', 75.00),
(22, '2024-08-03', 450.75),
(8, '2024-09-11', 220.20),
(36, '2024-08-18', 95.80),
(27, '2024-09-09', 180.50),
(4, '2024-08-07', 375.25),
(29, '2024-08-06', 60.00),
(11, '2024-07-06', 520.90),
(38, '2024-06-07', 110.75),

```

Figure 5: Orders

```

●INSERT INTO order_items (order_id, product_id, quantity, price) VALUES
(1, 8, 1, 120),
(2, 4, 1, 250),
(3, 2, 1, 80),
(4, 5, 1, 120000),
(5, 1, 1, 80000),

```

Figure 6: Order Items

## Task 3 - Analytical Queries

### Revenue Analysis

To calculate the total revenue by the platform we run the following query

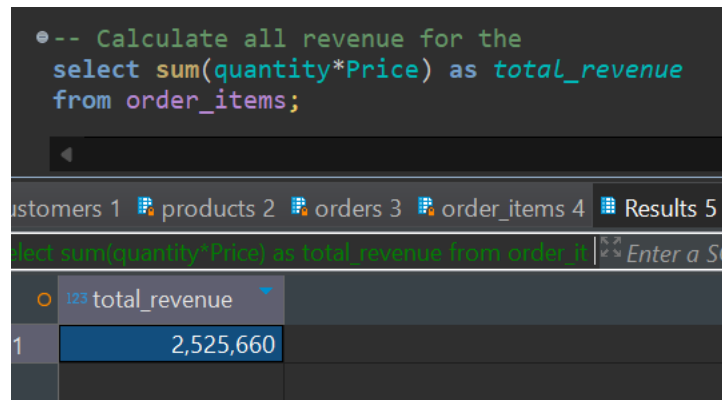


Figure 7: Revenue

To find the total revenue per product

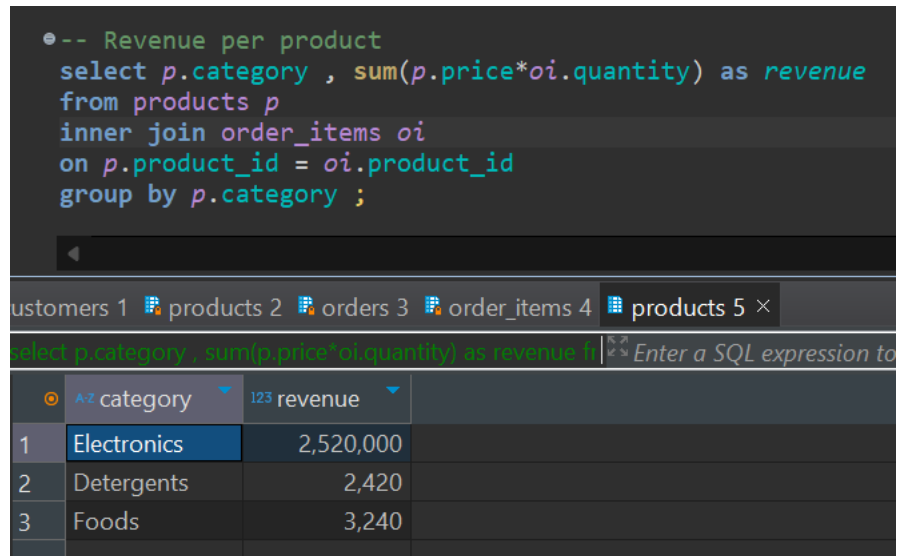


Figure 8: Revenue-Product

## Customer Insights

To extract the top 5 customers by spending we run

```
-- Top 5 customers by total spending
select c.name,c.phone_number , round(sum(o.total_amount)::integer,2) as spending
from orders o
inner join customers c
on o.customer_id =c.customer_id
group by c.customer_id
order by spending desc
limit 5;
```

customers 1 products 2 orders 3 order\_items 4 customers 5 ×

select c.name,c.phone\_number , round(sum(o.total\_amount)::integer,2) as spending Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

	A-Z name	A-Z phone_number	spending
1	David Omondi	07100745296	1,366
2	Victor Otieno	0724567890	1,198
3	Khadija Ali	0712345678	981
4	Robert Ochieng	0789012345	881
5	Peter Kioko	0767890123	876

Figure 9: Top 5 Customers

To identify the customers who have not made a purchase

```
-- Customers without purchases
select c.name
from customers c
left join orders o
on c.customer_id = o.customer_id
where o.customer_id is null ;
```

customers 1 products 2 orders 3 order\_items

```
select c.name from customers c left join orders o on c
```

	A-Z name	
18	Edwin Wanjala	
19	Faith Moraa	
20	Halima Juma	
21	Ian Omondi	
22	Kevin Ouma	
23	Moses Otieno	
24	Naomi Wanjiru	
25	Oscar Musyoka	
26	Rachel Njeri	

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Figure 10: No Purchase

## Product Trends

To find the 3 best selling product we run

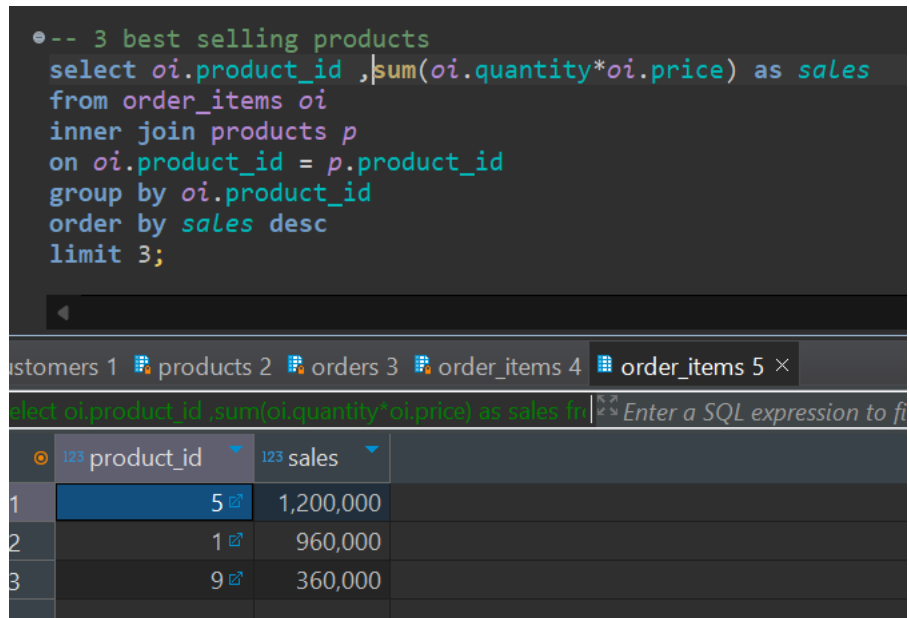


Figure 11: No Purchase

To identify the products that have ran out of stock we call the following query.

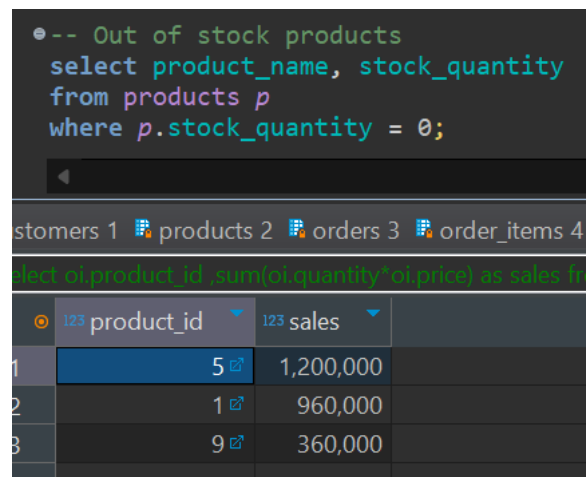


Figure 12: No Stock

## Order Details

To retrieve all items in a specific order we call



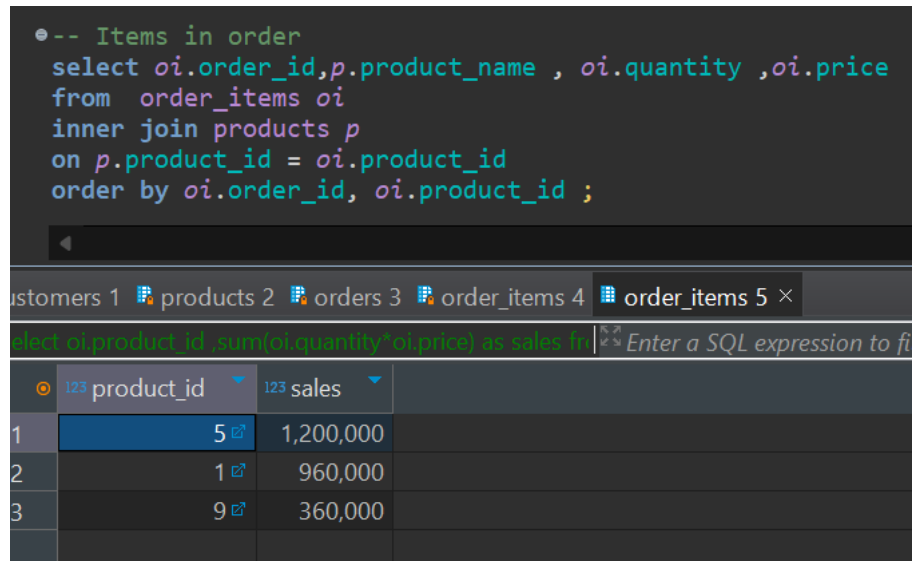


Figure 13: Items in order

To view the amount a given order call

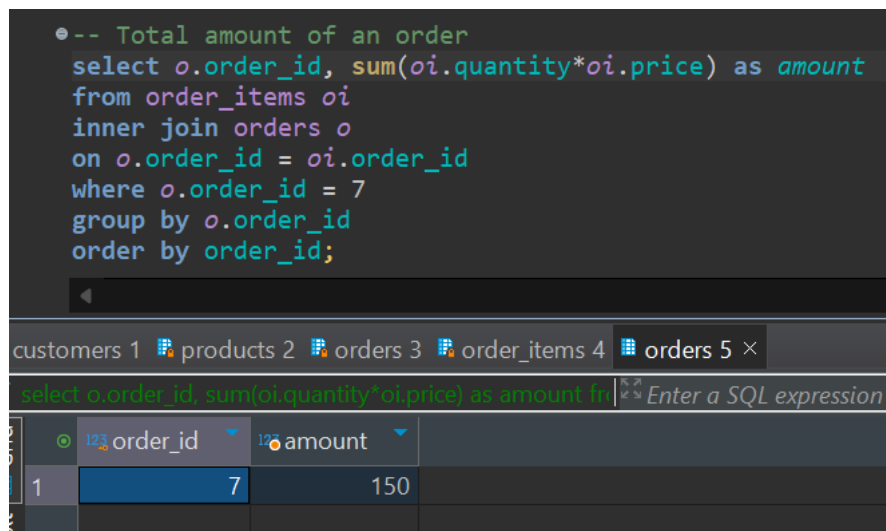


Figure 14: Order amount

## Monthly Trends

To calculate orders and revenue per month

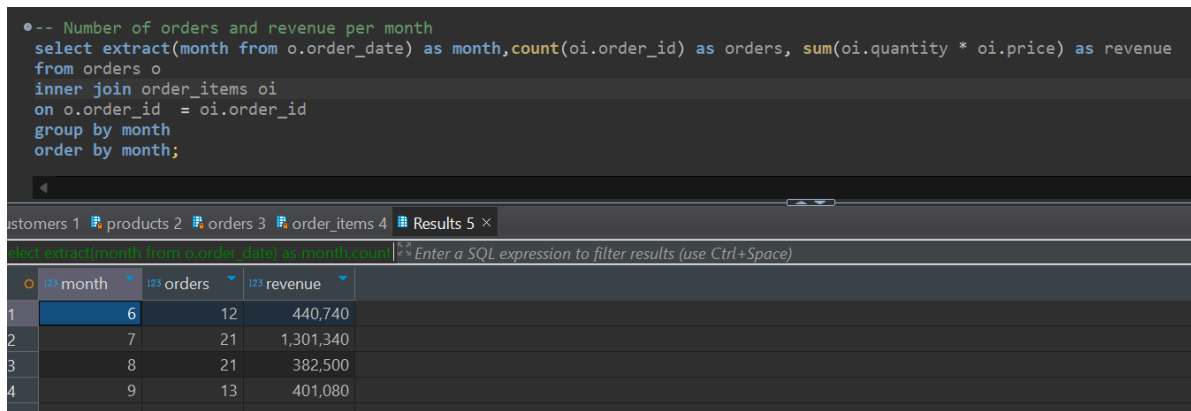


Figure 15: By month

## Task 4 - Advanced SQL Concepts

### Joins

To query data from multiple tables joins as follows

```

-- Joins
select c.name, p.product_name, p.category, o.order_date as date, oi.quantity, oi.price
from customers c
inner join
orders o
on c.customer_id = o.customer_id
left join order_items oi
on oi.order_id = o.order_id
left join products p
on p.product_id = oi.product_id ;

```

customers 1 products 2 orders 3 order\_items 4 customers(+) 5 ×

select c.name, p.product\_name, p.category, o.order\_date | Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

	name	product_name	category	date	quantity	price
1	Victor Otieno	Raha Ugali	Foods	2024-06-15	1	120
2	David Omondi	Kimbo Cooking Oil	Foods	2024-07-07	1	250
3	Samuel Kiprono	Savon Soap	Detergents	2024-09-20	1	80
4	Victor Otieno	Samsung Galaxy S23	Electronics	2024-08-03	1	120,000
5	Hassan Mohammed	Sony Bravia 55" TV	Electronics	2024-09-11	1	80,000
6	Jane Wambui	Savon Soap	Detergents	2024-08-18	1	80
7	Abdi Hussein	Jogoo Maize Flour	Foods	2024-09-09	1	150
8	David Omondi	Kimbo Cooking Oil	Foods	2024-08-07	1	250
9	David Omondi	Jogoo Maize Flour	Foods	2024-08-07	1	150

Figure 16: Joins

## Window functions

To rank customers based on total spending tun the following

```

-- Window functions RANK()
with spending as (
  select o.customer_id ,sum(oi.price * oi.quantity) as spending
  from orders o
  inner join order_items oi
  on oi.order_id = o.order_id
  group by o.customer_id
)

select c.name, s.spending, rank() over (order by spending) as rank
from customers c
inner join spending s
on c.customer_id = s.customer_id;

```

customers 1 products 2 orders 3 order\_items 4 customers 5 ×

with spending as ( select o.customer\_id ,sum(oi.price \* oi.quantity) as spending from orders o inner join order\_items oi on oi.order\_id = o.order\_id group by o.customer\_id )

	A-Z name	123 spending	123 rank	
1	Caleb Kipkemboi	80	1	
2	Samuel Kiprono	80	1	
3	Peninah Atieno	80	1	
4	Nicholas Ndegwa	80	1	
5	Ivy Chebet	160	5	
6	Geoffrey Mutua	230	6	
7	Linet Chepkemai	230	6	
8	Winnie Achieng	400	8	
9	Esther Akinyi	400	8	

Figure 17: Rank

To assign a unique number to each order for a customer run

```
-- Window functions ROW_NUMBER()
select c.name,row_number() over (order by name) as order_number, o.order_date ,o.total_amount
from customers c
inner join orders o
on c.customer_id = o.customer_id ;
```

customers 1 products 2 orders 3 order\_items 4 customers(+) 5 ×

select c.name,row\_number() over (order by name) as order\_number, o.order\_date ,o.total\_amount

	A? name	123 order_number	order_date	123 total_amount	
1	Abdi Hussein	1	2024-08-01	170.8	
2	Abdi Hussein	2	2024-09-09	180.5	
3	Abdi Hussein	3	2024-08-12	70	
4	Caleb Kipkemboi	4	2024-08-06	60	
5	Catherine Wanjiku	5	2024-07-02	80	
6	David Omondi	6	2024-08-12	280	
7	David Omondi	7	2024-09-08	100.5	
8	David Omondi	8	2024-07-07	300	
9	David Omondi	9	2024-08-07	375.25	

Figure 18: Row number

## CTEs and Sub-queries

To calculate total revenue per customer and find customers spending more than \$500 proceed as follows

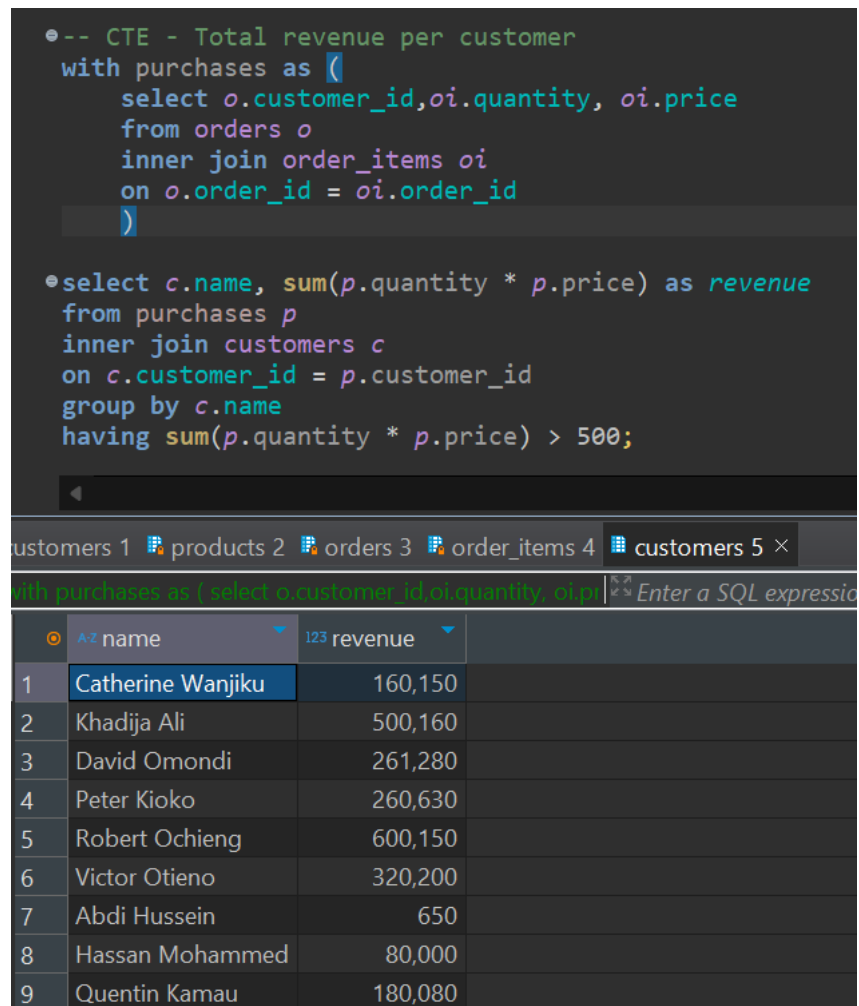


Figure 19: More than \$500

To find the product with the highest price use a sub-query as follows

```

-- Sub query - Highest price product
select product_name, price
from products p
where price = (select max(price) from products);

```

customers 1 products 2 orders 3 order\_items 4 customers 5 ×

with purchases as (select o.customer\_id, oi.quantity, oi.pr Enter a SQL ex

	A-Z name	123 revenue	
1	Catherine Wanjiku	160,150	
2	Khadija Ali	500,160	
3	David Omondi	261,280	
4	Peter Kioko	260,630	
5	Robert Ochieng	600,150	
6	Victor Otieno	320,200	
7	Abdi Hussein	650	
8	Hassan Mohammed	80,000	

Figure 20: More then \$500

## Indexing

Use `explain analyze` to demonstrate efficiency of adding index columns

```

create unique index if not exists product_index on products (product_id);

-- Check effect of indexing on query speed by matching on ".com" in email column
explain analyze
select * from customers
where email ilike '%.com%';

```

customers 1 products 2 orders 3 order\_items 4 Results 5 ×

explain analyze select \* from customers where email ilike  Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

A-Z QUERY PLAN	
1	Seq Scan on customers (cost=0.00..1.58 rows=1 width=320) (actual time=0.025..0.108 rows=12 loops=1)
2	Filter: ((email)::text ~~* '%.com%':text)
3	Rows Removed by Filter: 34
4	Planning Time: 0.622 ms
5	Execution Time: 0.424 ms

Figure 21: Product index

```

-- Adding an index on customers table marginally increases query speed
create unique index customer_index on customers (customer_id);

explain analyze
select * from customers
where email ilike '%.com%';

```

customers 1 products 2 orders 3 order\_items 4 Results 5 × Statistics 5

create unique index customer\_index on customers (customer\_id)  Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

A-Z QUERY PLAN	
1	Seq Scan on customers (cost=0.00..1.58 rows=1 width=320) (actual time=0.017..0.086 rows=12 loops=1)
2	Filter: ((email)::text ~~* '%.com%':text)
3	Rows Removed by Filter: 34
4	Planning Time: 0.822 ms
5	Execution Time: 0.096 ms

Figure 22: Customer index



## Optimization

```
•-- Optimization
-- Adjusting indexes, improving index coverage by using a composite index
create unique index if not exists product_name_index on products (product_id, product_name);

•-- Join re-ordering
-- from
explain analyze
with purchases as (
  select o.customer_id, oi.quantity, oi.price
  from orders o
  inner join order_items oi
  on o.order_id = oi.order_id
)

•select c.name, sum(p.quantity * p.price) as revenue
from purchases p
inner join customers c
on c.customer_id = p.customer_id
group by c.name
having sum(p.quantity * p.price) > 500;
```

results 1 ×

explain analyze with purchases as (select o.customer\_id, oi.quantity, oi.price from orders o inner join order\_items oi on o.order\_id = oi.order\_id) group by c.name having sum(p.quantity \* p.price) > 500; Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

	QUERY PLAN
12	Buckets: 1024 Batches: 1 Memory Usage: 10kB
13	-> Seq Scan on orders o (cost=0.00..1.40 rows=40 width=8) (actual time=0.018..0.023 rows=40)
14	-> Hash (cost=1.46..1.46 rows=46 width=122) (actual time=0.045..0.045 rows=46 loops=1)
15	Buckets: 1024 Batches: 1 Memory Usage: 11kB
16	-> Seq Scan on customers c (cost=0.00..1.46 rows=46 width=122) (actual time=0.023..0.029 rows=46)
17	Planning Time: 8.906 ms
18	Execution Time: 0.418 ms

Figure 23: Index optimization

```

-- to
explain analyze
with purchases as (
  select o.customer_id,oi.quantity, oi.price
  from orders o
  inner join order_items oi
  on o.order_id = oi.order_id
)

select c.name, sum(p.quantity * p.price) as revenue
from customers c
inner join purchases p
on c.customer_id = p.customer_id
group by c.name
having sum(p.quantity * p.price) > 500;

```

Results 1 ×

explain analyze with purchases as ( select o.customer\_id | Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

AZ QUERY PLAN	
12	Buckets: 1024 Batches: 1 Memory Usage: 10kB
13	-> Seq Scan on orders o (cost=0.00..1.40 rows=40 width=8) (actual time=0.019..0.023 r
14	-> Hash (cost=1.46..1.46 rows=46 width=122) (actual time=0.031..0.032 rows=46 loops=1)
15	Buckets: 1024 Batches: 1 Memory Usage: 11kB
16	-> Seq Scan on customers c (cost=0.00..1.46 rows=46 width=122) (actual time=0.019..0.023
17	Planning Time: 0.310 ms
18	Execution Time: 0.179 ms

Figure 24: Reordering joins

Rewrite CTE to sub-query

- -- Rewrite entire query
- Subquery instead of CTE

```

select c.name, o.order_id, oi_details.product_id, oi_details.quantity, oi_details.price
from customers c
inner join orders o
on
c.customer_id = o.order_id
inner join (
    select product_id, order_id, quantity, price
from order_items
) as oi_details on
o.order_id = oi_details.order_id;

```

customers(+) 1 ×

select c.name, o.order\_id, oi\_details.product\_id, oi\_details.quantity, oi\_details.price

Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

	name	order_id	product_id	quantity	price
1	Aisha Abubakar	1	8	1	120
2	Benson Kiprotich	2	4	1	250
3	Catherine Wanjiku	3	2	1	80
4	David Omondi	4	5	1	120,000
5	Esther Akinyi	5	1	1	80,000
6	Felix Musyoka	6	2	1	80
7	Grace Atieno	7	12	1	150
8	Hassan Mohammed	8	4	1	250
9	Hassan Mohammed	8	12	1	150

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Figure 25: CTE to subquery