

Problem 1532: The Most Recent Three Orders

Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 69.07%

Paid Only: Yes

Tags: Database

Problem Description

Table: `Customers`

+-----+-----+ | Column Name | Type | +-----+-----+ | customer_id | int | |
name | varchar | +-----+-----+ customer_id is the column with unique values for this
table. This table contains information about customers.

Table: `Orders`

+-----+-----+ | Column Name | Type | +-----+-----+ | order_id | int | |
order_date | date | | customer_id | int | | cost | int | +-----+-----+ order_id is the
column with unique values for this table. This table contains information about the orders
made by customer_id. Each customer has **one order per day**.

Write a solution to find the most recent three orders of each user. If a user ordered less than three orders, return all of their orders.

Return the result table ordered by `customer_name` in **ascending order** and in case of a tie by the `customer_id` in **ascending order**. If there is still a tie, order them by `order_date` in **descending order**.

The result format is in the following example.

Example 1:

Input: Customers table: +-----+-----+ | customer_id | name |
+-----+-----+ | 1 | Winston | | 2 | Jonathan | | 3 | Annabelle | | 4 | Marwan | | 5 | Khaled

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| +-----+-----+ Orders table: +-----+-----+-----+-----+ | order_id |
order_date | customer_id | cost | +-----+-----+-----+-----+ | 1 | 2020-07-31 | 1 |
30 | | 2 | 2020-07-30 | 2 | 40 | | 3 | 2020-07-31 | 3 | 70 | | 4 | 2020-07-29 | 4 | 100 | | 5 |
2020-06-10 | 1 | 10 | 10 | | 6 | 2020-08-01 | 2 | 102 | | 7 | 2020-08-01 | 3 | 111 | | 8 | 2020-08-03 |
1 | 99 | | 9 | 2020-08-07 | 2 | 32 | | 10 | 2020-07-15 | 1 | 2 |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+ **Output:**
+-----+-----+-----+-----+ | customer_name | customer_id | order_id |
order_date | +-----+-----+-----+-----+ | Annabelle | 3 | 7 | 2020-08-01 | |
Annabelle | 3 | 3 | 2020-07-31 | | Jonathan | 2 | 9 | 2020-08-07 | | Jonathan | 2 | 6 | 2020-08-01
| | Jonathan | 2 | 2 | 2020-07-30 | | Marwan | 4 | 4 | 2020-07-29 | | Winston | 1 | 8 | 2020-08-03 |
| Winston | 1 | 1 | 2020-07-31 | | Winston | 1 | 10 | 2020-07-15 |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+ **Explanation:** Winston has 4 orders, we
discard the order of "2020-06-10" because it is the oldest order. Annabelle has only 2 orders,
we return them. Jonathan has exactly 3 orders. Marwan ordered only one time. We sort the
result table by customer_name in ascending order, by customer_id in ascending order, and by
order_date in descending order in case of a tie.
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****Follow up:**** Could you write a general solution for the most recent `n` orders?

Code Snippets

MySQL:

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# Write your MySQL query statement below
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MS SQL Server:

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/* Write your T-SQL query statement below */
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PostgreSQL:

```
-- Write your PostgreSQL query statement below
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