

SERIOUS SQL LIVE WEEK 2: 27TH NOV

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AGENDA:

- Intro [5 mins]
- Identifying
Duplicates [25 mins]
- Summary
Statistics [30 mins]

WHAT WE COVERED LAST WEEK

SELECT & SORT

- Basic SELECT ✓
- LIMIT result rows ✓
- ORDER BY ASC/DESC ✓
date
numeric
- Multi column sort ✓
chars

RECORD COUNTS & DISTINCT VALUES

- Column Aliases — AS ...
- DISTINCT * and column(s)
- COUNT DISTINCT — select
distinct
- GROUP BY basics — col1
col2 ...
- Percentage column
window function
from table

IDENTIFYING DUPLICATES

HEALTH ANALYTICS DATA

0.429 seconds 43891 rows .csv .xlsx .json table health.user_logs

id	log_date	measure	measure_value	systolic	diastolic
fa28f948a740320ad56b81a24744c8b81df119fa	2020-11-15	weight	46.03959	null	null
1a7366eef15512d8f38133e7ce9778bce5b4a21e	2020-10-10	blood_glucose	97	0	0
bd7eece38fb4ec71b3282d60080d296c4cf6ad5e	2020-10-18	blood_glucose	120	0	0
0f7b13f3f0512e6546b8d2c0d56e564a2408536a	2020-10-17	blood_glucose	232	0	0
d14df0c8c1a5f172476b2a1b1f53cf23c6992027	2020-10-15	blood_pressure	140	140	113
0f7b13f3f0512e6546b8d2c0d56e564a2408536a	2020-10-21	blood_glucose	166	0	0
0f7b13f3f0512e6546b8d2c0d56e564a2408536a	2020-10-22	blood_glucose	142	0	0
87be2f14a5550389cb2cba03b3329c54c993f7d2	2020-10-12	weight	129.060012817	0	0
0efe1f378aec122877e5f24f204ea70709b1f5f8	2020-10-07	blood_glucose	138	0	0
054250c692e07a9fa9e62e345231df4b54ff435d	2020-10-04	blood_glucose	210	null	null
054250c692e07a9fa9e62e345231df4b54ff435d	2020-10-04	blood_glucose	217	null	null
054250c692e07a9fa9e62e345231df4b54ff435d	2020-10-04	blood_glucose	225	null	null
054250c692e07a9fa9e62e345231df4b54ff435d	2020-10-04	blood_glucose	230	null	null

group by count (*)

EXPLORING A NEW DATASET

limit

select *

- Show first few rows and all cols
- How many records are there?
- Any columns of interest? count(*)

FURTHER ANALYSIS

- COUNT[*] & COUNT DISTINCT

columns of
interest

- Percentage calculations

window
function

- Investigate specific values

count(*)
percentages

$$\left(\text{count}(\ast) / \text{sum}(\text{count}(\ast) \text{ over } ()) \right)$$

denominator

DATA INSPECTION

WHERE filter

- `measure_value = 0`
- `measure = 'blood_pressue'`
- `measure & measure_value`
- `NULL values`



KEEP
CALM

AND FIND
THE DUPLICATES
IN THE DATASET



DEAL WITH DUPLICATES

- How can we identify duplicates? —
- Should we remove all of them? — *distinct*
- How can we inspect our duplicates? ↘
- Do we actually want to keep them?

IDENTIFICATION

select distinct *

- Row counts vs distinct row counts
- COUNT(*) VS COUNT(DISTINCT <col>)
- COUNT(*) vs COUNT (DISTINCT *)

CTES VS SUBQUERY

sequentially

```
WITH deduped_logs AS (  
  SELECT DISTINCT *  
  FROM health.user_logs  
)  
SELECT COUNT(*)  
FROM deduped_logs;
```

CTE

Common
table
expr

lives on disk

inside out

Final
output Subquery

```
SELECT COUNT(*)  
FROM (  
  SELECT DISTINCT *  
  FROM health.user_logs  
) AS subquery  
;
```

inner
query

in-memory

TEMPORARY TABLE

DROP TABLE IF EXISTS deduplicated_user_logs;

CREATE TEMP TABLE deduplicated_user_logs **AS**
SELECT DISTINCT *
FROM health.user_logs;

SELECT COUNT(*)
FROM deduplicated_user_logs;

write out
to disk
partitions
subfolders
indexes

sequentially

CTEs, SUBQUERIES & TEMP TABLES

- CTEs : sequential (in-memory)
- Subqueries: inside out (in-memory)
- Temp Tables: sequential (write/read to disk)

control how
it's written
→ index, partitions

KEEPING DUPLICATES

- Why do we want to keep duplicates?
- **GROUP BY COUNT[*]** with all columns
- **GROUP BY vs HAVING**

TEMP TABLE VS CTE

```
-- Don't forget to clean up any existing temp tables!
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS unique_duplicate_records;

CREATE TEMPORARY TABLE unique_duplicate_records AS
SELECT *
FROM health.user_logs
GROUP BY
    id,
    log_date,
    measure,
    measure_value,
    systolic,
    diastolic
HAVING COUNT(*) > 1;

-- Finally let's inspect the top 10 rows of our temp table
SELECT *
FROM unique_duplicate_records
LIMIT 10;
```

```
WITH groupby_counts AS (
    SELECT
        id,
        log_date,
        measure,
        measure_value,
        systolic,
        diastolic,
        COUNT(*) AS frequency
    FROM health.user_logs
    GROUP BY
        id,
        log_date,
        measure,
        measure_value,
        systolic,
        diastolic
)
SELECT *
FROM groupby_counts
WHERE frequency > 1
ORDER BY frequency DESC
LIMIT 10;
```

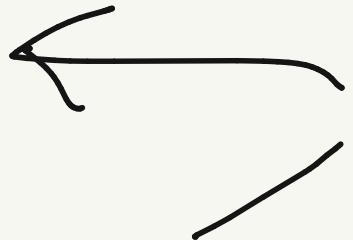



EXERCISE QUESTION

- Which id value has the most duplicate records in the `health.user_logs` table?

EXERCISE QUESTION

- Which log_date value had the most duplicate records after removing the max duplicate id value from the previous question?

DUPLICATES SUMMARY

- Remove all duplicates  group by all columns
- Identify and count duplicates
- Keep only duplicates for checking
- WHERE and HAVING clauses 
-  CTEs vs Subqueries vs Temp Tables