# Apply filters to SQL queries

### Project description

The following steps provide examples of how I used SQL with filters to perform security-related tasks.

#### Retrieve after hours failed login attempts

SELECT\*
FROM log\_in\_attempts
WHERE login\_time > '18:00' AND success = FALSE;

This query filters for failed login attempts that occurred after 18:00. First, I started by selecting all data from the  $log_in_attempts$  table. Then, I used a WHERE clause with an AND operator to filter my results to output only login attempts that occurred after 18:00 and were unsuccessful. The first condition is  $login_time > '18:00'$ , which filters for the login attempts that occurred after 18:00. The second condition is success = FALSE, which filters for the failed login attempts.

#### Retrieve login attempts on specific dates

SELECT \*
FROM log\_in\_attempts
WHERE login\_date = '2022-05-09' OR login\_date = '2022-05-08';

This query returns all login attempts that occurred on 2022-05-09 or 2022-05-08. First, I started by selecting all data from the  $log_in_attempts$  table. Then, I used a WHERE clause with an OR operator to filter my results to output only login attempts that occurred on either 2022-05-09 or 2022-05-08. The first condition is  $login_date = '2022-05-09'$ , which filters for logins on 2022-05-09. The second condition is  $login_date = '2022-05-08'$ , which filters for logins on 2022-05-08.

#### Retrieve login attempts outside of Mexico

SELECT \*
FROM log\_in\_attempts
WHERE NOT country LIKE 'MEX%';

This query returns all login attempts that occurred in countries other than Mexico. First, I started by selecting all data from the log\_in\_attempts table. Then, I used a WHERE clause with NOT to filter for countries other than Mexico. I used LIKE with MEX as the pattern to match because the dataset represents Mexico as MEX and MEXICO. The percentage sign (%) represents any number of unspecified characters when used with LIKE.

#### Retrieve employees in Marketing

**SELECT \*** 

FROM employees

WHERE department = 'Marketing' AND office LIKE 'East%';

This query returns all employees in the Marketing department in the East building. First, I started by selecting all data from the <code>employees</code> table. Then, I used a <code>WHERE</code> clause with <code>AND</code> to filter for employees who work in the Marketing department and in the East building. I used <code>LIKE</code> with <code>East%</code> as the pattern to match because the data in the <code>office</code> column represents the East building with the specific office number. The first condition is the <code>department = 'Marketing'</code> portion, which filters for employees in the Marketing department. The second condition is the <code>office LIKE 'East%'</code> portion, which filters for employees in the East building.

# Retrieve employees in Finance or Sales

**SELECT \*** 

FROM employees

WHERE department = 'Finance' OR department = 'Sales';

This query returns all employees in the Finance and Sales departments. First, I started by selecting all data from the employees table. Then, I used a WHERE clause with OR to filter for employees who are in the Finance and Sales departments. I used the OR operator instead of AND because I want all employees who are in either department. The first condition is department = 'Finance', which filters for employees from the Finance department. The second condition is department = 'Sales', which filters for employees from the Sales department.

# Retrieve all employees not in IT

**SELECT\*** 

FROM employees

WHERE NOT department = 'Information Technology';

The query returns all employees not in the Information Technology department. First, I started by selecting all data from the <code>employees</code> table. Then, I used a <code>WHERE</code> clause with <code>NOT</code> to filter for employees not in this department.

# Summary

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I applied filters to SQL queries to get specific information on login attempts and employee machines. I used two different tables,  $log_in_attempts$  and employees. I used the AND, OR, and NOT operators to filter for the specific information needed for each task. I also used LIKE and the percentage sign (%) wildcard to filter for patterns.