SQL Interview Question asked in



Problem Statement

Consider a table named 'FinancialTransactions' with the following columns:

TransactionID (int)
TransactionDate (date)
Amount (float)
TransactionType (varchar): The type of transaction, either 'Credit' or 'Debit'.

Write an SQL query to calculate the total balance for each day, considering both credit and debit transactions. Display the results with the columns TransactionDate and TotalBalance.

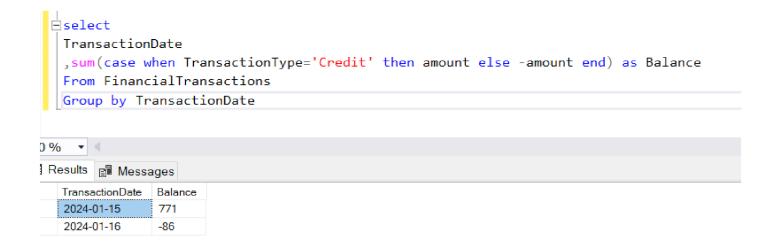
Table Creation and Data Insertion script

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----Table creation Script
create table FinancialTransactions
TransactionID int primary key
,TransactionDate date
,Amount float
,TransactionType varchar(10)
-- Data Insertion Script
Insert into Financial Transactions
(TransactionID, TransactionDate, Amount, TransactionType)
values
(1,'2024-01-15',56.00,'Debit'),
(2,'2024-01-15',23.00,'Credit'),
(3,'2024-01-15',880.00,'Credit'),
(4,'2024-01-15',76.00,'Debit'),
(5,'2024-01-16',60.00,'Credit'),
(6,'2024-01-16',146.00,'Debit')
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Table Financial Transactions

TransactionID	TransactionDate	Amount	TransactionType
1	2024-01-15	56	Debit
2	2024-01-15	23	Credit
3	2024-01-15	880	Credit
4	2024-01-15	76	Debit
5	2024-01-16	60	Credit
6	2024-01-16	146	Debit

Solution



SQL Script

select

TransactionDate
,sum(case when TransactionType='Credit' then amount else -amount
end) as Balance
From FinancialTransactions
Group by TransactionDate

Explanation

- We have used case statement to determine whether transaction belongs to 'Debit' or 'Credit'
- Result of Case statement is then aggregated, grouped by 'TransactionDate'