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## 1. Compound criteria

For more interesting queries, we can use compound criteria. These are criteria that contain multiple conditions joined with the logical operators AND, OR, and NOT.

### 1.1. The AND logical operator

With this operator, the compound test has a true value if both conditions are true.

Demo 01: We want to see employees who have a salary greater than 15000

```
select emp_id, name_last as "Employee", salary, dept_id
from emp_employees
where salary > 15000;
```

EMP_ID	Employee	SALARY	DEPT_ID
100	King	100000	10
101	Koch	98005	30
102	D'Haa	60300	215
145	Russ	59000	80
146	Partne	88954	215
108	Green	62000	30
205	Higgs	75000	30
162	Holme	98000	35
200	Whale	65000	35
...			

Demo 02: We want to see employees in dept 30 who have a salary greater than 15000. A row has to pass both tests to be included in the result set.

```
select emp_id, name_last as "Employee", salary, dept_id
from emp_employees
where salary > 60000
AND dept_id =30;
```

EMP_ID	Employee	SALARY	DEPT_ID
101	Koch	98005	30
108	Green	62000	30
205	Higgs	75000	30
203	Mays	64450	30
109	Fiet	65000	30
110	Chen	60300	30
206	Geitz	88954	30
204	King	99090	30

When we AND in another filter we will generally reduce the number of rows returned by the query.

Demo 03: We want to see jobs that do not seem to be in Sales with a minimum salary more than 40000. We cannot be certain that these are all of the non-sales jobs- just that they are jobs which do not have Sales in the job title. The Like filter is discussed in another document in this unit.

```
select job_id, min_salary, max_salary
from emp_jobs
where job_title NOT LIKE '%Sales%'
AND min_salary > 40000
;
```

JOB_ID	MIN_SALARY	MAX_SALARY
1	100000	100000
16	60000	120000
32	60000	
64	60000	
128	60000	

Demo 04: This shows employees with a salary between 20000 and 60000 . The Between operator tests True for the end points.

```
select emp_id,name_last as "Employee", salary
from emp_employees
where salary between 20000 and 60000
order by salary, emp id;
```

EMP_ID	Employee	SALARY
150	Tuck	20000
155	Hiller	29000
207	Russ	30000
145	Russ	59000

Demo 05: If you need to exclude the end point, then use expression > x and expression < y for a strictly greater than test.

```
select emp_id,name_last as "Employee", salary
from emp_employees
where salary > 20000
AND salary < 60000
order by salary;
```

EMP_ID	Employee	SALARY
155	Hiller	29000
207	Russ	30000
145	Russ	59000

Demo 06: Avoid writing tests that logically can never have a True value. What value for salary could pass both of these tests?

```
select emp_id,name_last as "Employee", salary
from emp_employees
where salary < 12000
AND salary > 25000
order by salary;
```

no rows selected

Demo 07: You are not limited to combining two tests.

```
select emp_id, name_last as "Employee"
, dept_id, salary, job_id
from emp_employees
where dept_id = 35
AND salary > 50000
AND job_id in (8, 16)
;
```

EMP_ID	Employee	DEPT_ID	SALARY	JOB_ID
162	Holme	35	98000	16
200	Whale	35	65000	16

## 1.2. The OR logical operator

With this operator, the compound test has a true value if either one or both conditions are true.

Demo 08: Find employees who work in either dept 20 or 30. It would be better to use an IN operator for this test. Notice that you have to repeat the full test for each OR clause.

```
select emp_id, name_last as "Employee", dept_id
from emp_employees
where dept_id = 30
OR dept_id = 20
order by "Employee"
;
```

EMP_ID	Employee	DEPT_ID
110	Chen	30
109	Fiet	30
206	Geitz	30
108	Green	30
201	Harts	20
205	Higgs	30
204	King	30
101	Koch	30
203	Mays	30

Demo 09: Here we want employees who earn more than 70000

```
select emp_id
, hire_date, salary, job_id
from emp_employees
where salary > 70000
order by emp_id;
```

EMP_ID	HIRE_DATE	SALARY	JOB_ID
100	17-JUN-89	100000	1
101	17-JUN-08	98005	16
146	29-FEB-12	88954	64
161	15-JUN-11	120000	16
162	17-MAR-11	98000	16
204	15-JUN-13	99090	32
205	01-JUN-08	75000	16
206	15-JUN-13	88954	32

8 rows selected.

Demo 10: Here we want employees who earn more than 70000 OR are in dept 30.

```
select emp_id
, dept_id, salary, job_id
from emp_employees
where dept_id = 30
OR      salary > 70000
order by emp_id
;
```

EMP_ID	DEPT_ID	SALARY	JOB_ID
100	10	100000	1
101	30	98005	16
108	30	62000	16
109	30	65000	32
110	30	60300	32
146	215	88954	64
161	215	120000	16
162	35	98000	16
203	30	64450	16
204	30	99090	32
205	30	75000	16
206	30	88954	32

12 rows selected.

Demo 11: Now we add another possibility - that the employee's job id is 8 or 16

```
select emp_id
, hire_date, salary, job_id
from emp_employees
where dept_id = 30
OR      salary > 70000
OR      job_id in (8, 16)
order by emp_id
;
```

EMP_ID	HIRE_DATE	SALARY	JOB_ID
100	17-JUN-89	100000	1
101	17-JUN-08	98005	16
108	14-APR-95	62000	16
109	29-FEB-12	65000	32
110	31-DEC-12	60300	32
146	29-FEB-12	88954	64
150	28-OCT-01	20000	8
155	05-MAR-04	29000	8
161	15-JUN-11	120000	16
162	17-MAR-11	98000	16
200	17-JUN-11	65000	16
203	30-JUN-10	64450	16
204	15-JUN-13	99090	32
205	01-JUN-08	75000	16
206	15-JUN-13	88954	32
207	17-JUN-11	30000	8

16 rows selected.

With each additional OR clause we add, we have the potential of having more rows match.

Demo 12: We have query for max\_salary >= 20000

Here we are also including the nulls with an IS NULL test

```
select job_id, job_title, min_salary, max_salary
from emp_jobs
where max_salary >= 20000
OR    max_salary is null;
```

JOB_ID	JOB_TITLE	MIN_SALARY	MAX_SALARY
1	President	100000	100000
2	Marketing	5000	75000
4	Sales Manager	15000	60000
8	Sales Rep	10000	30000
16	Programmer	60000	120000
32	Code Debugger	60000	
64	DBA	60000	
128	RD	60000	

8 rows selected.

### 1.3. The NOT logical operator

The NOT operator works on a single test and reverses the value of that test. The NOT test is often used in combination with AND or OR tests.

Demo 13: We want employees who are **not** in department 20 or 30.

```
select emp_id, name_last as "Employee", dept_id
from emp_employees
where NOT dept_id IN ( 30, 20)
order by "Employee"
;
```

EMP_ID	Employee	DEPT_ID
102	D'Haa	215
161	Dewal	215
160	Dorna	215
104	Ernst	210
155	Hiller	80
162	Holme	35
103	Hunol	210
100	King	10
146	Partne	215
207	Russ	35
145	Russ	80
150	Tuck	80
200	Whale	35

13 rows selected.

The above test could also be written as `Where dept_id NOT IN ( 30, 20)` and I think that is easier to read. Note that NOT IN is closer to the way the task is described. I would also encourage you to use `Where salary not between 10000 and 20000` instead of `Where NOT salary between 10000 and 20000`.

Using the not operator before the tests means that your mind has to keep track of the NOT while it reads the rest of the test.

Take extra care when using two NOT words in the same test- often people get the logic of double negatives wrong.

## 2. Hierarchy of evaluation of the logical operators

If you write a criterion that includes more than one logical operator, you need to be concerned about the hierarchy of evaluation. The order of operations is: first the NOT operators are evaluated then the ANDs and then the ORs. Parentheses are used to change the order of operations.

Suppose we want to see products that are either pet supplies or sporting goods that cost less than 100. This is an ambiguous statement. Assume this essentially means we want the cheaper sporting good and the cheaper pet supplies items.

Demo 14: This query following the wording of the task description but does not do the job. We have two Pet items that cost more than \$100.

```
select prod_id, prod_list_price, catg_id
from prd_products
where catg_id = 'PET' OR catg_id = 'SPG'
AND prod_list_price < 100;
```

PROD_ID	PROD_LIST_PRICE	CATG_I
1020	12.95	SPG
1030	29.95	SPG
1140	14.99	PET
1141	99.99	PET
1142	2.5	PET
1143	2.5	PET
1150	4.99	PET
1151	14.99	PET
1152	55	PET
4567	549.99	PET
4568	549.99	PET
4576	29.95	PET
4577	29.95	PET

13 rows selected

Demo 15: If we reverse the testing of the two categories, we get sporting goods items that cost more than \$100. That is not right.

```
select prod_id, prod_list_price, catg_id
from prd_products
where catg_id = 'SPG' OR catg_id = 'PET'
AND prod_list_price < 100;
```

PROD_ID	PROD_LIST_PRICE	CATG_I
1010	150	SPG
1020	12.95	SPG
1030	29.95	SPG
1140	14.99	PET
1141	99.99	PET
1142	2.5	PET
1143	2.5	PET
1150	4.99	PET
1151	14.99	PET
1152	55	PET
1040	349.95	SPG
1050	269.95	SPG
1060	255.95	SPG
4576	29.95	PET
4577	29.95	PET

15 rows selected.

What is happening here is that we have an AND operator and an OR operator. The rules of precedence is that the AND operator is evaluated first. So the second of these where clauses

```
where catg_id = 'SPG' or catg_id = 'PET' and prod_list_price < 100;
```

is evaluated as shown here and all of the sporting goods items are returned and Pet supplies that cost more than \$100 are returned.

```
where catg_id = 'SPG' or (catg_id = 'PET' and prod_list_price < 100);
```

We can use parentheses to change the order of evaluation

Demo 16: Adding the parentheses gives us the correct result.

```
select prod_id, prod_list_price, catg_id
from prd_products
where (catg_id = 'SPG' OR catg_id = 'PET')
AND prod_list_price < 100;
```

PROD_ID	PROD_LIST_PRICE	CATG_I
1020	12.95	SPG
1030	29.95	SPG
1140	14.99	PET
1141	99.99	PET
1142	2.5	PET
1143	2.5	PET
1150	4.99	PET
1151	14.99	PET
1152	55	PET
4576	29.95	PET
4577	29.95	PET

11 rows selected.

Demo 17: It is better to use the IN operator, avoiding the AND/OR Issue.

```
select prod_id, prod_list_price, catg_id
from prd_products
where catg_id IN ( 'SPG', 'PET')
AND prod_list_price < 100;
```

### 3. DeMorgan's laws

Often, there is more than one way to write a complex logical expression. The following equivalencies are known as DeMorgan's Laws.

Where expP and expQ represent logical expressions

NOT (expP AND expQ) is equivalent to

NOT expP OR NOT expQ

NOT (expP OR expQ) is equivalent to

NOT expP AND NOT expQ

Demo 18: These are equivalent queries. Prod\_list\_price and catg\_id are not null in the products table.

```
select prod_id
, prod_desc
, prod_list_price, catg_id
from prd_products
where NOT( prod_list_price < 300 OR catg_id = 'APL');
```

```
select prod_id
, prod_desc
, prod_list_price, catg_id
from prd_products
where NOT( prod_list_price < 300)  AND NOT( catg_id = 'APL');
```

```
select prod_id
, prod_desc
, prod_list_price, catg_id
from prd_products
where prod_list_price >= 300  AND  catg_id != 'APL';
```

## 4. Three-way logic and truth tables

Generally we think of logical expressions having two possible values — True and False. Because database systems allow the use of Null, we have to be concerned with three logical values — True, False, and Unknown. Suppose we have a row in the jobs table with no value for the attribute max\_salary, and we evaluate the logical expression: max\_salary > 25000 the value of the expression is Unknown for that row. If you are executing a query with a Where clause, if the value of the test is Unknown, the row is not returned.

Remember, NULL is a data value, UNKNOWN is a logical value.

These are the truth tables for the operators NOT, AND, and OR.

The evaluation of the True and False cases are straight forward. With the NOT operator, if I do not know the value of an expression is True or False then I do not know if the negation of that expression is True or False.

NOT	
True	False
Unknown	Unknown
False	True

For the AND operator to Return True both of the operators must have a True value. So if one of the operands is True and the other is unknown, then I cannot know if the ANDed expression is true- so the value is unknown. But if one of the operands is False, then the ANDed expression cannot be true and we know its value is False.

AND	True	Unknown	False
True	True	Unknown	False
Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	False
False	False	False	False

For the OR operator to Return True at least one of the operators must have a True value. So if one of the operands is True and the other is unknown, then the ORed expression is TRUE. If one of the operands is False and the other is unknown then I cannot know the value of the Ored expression and its value is Unknown.

OR	True	Unknown	False
True	True	True	True
Unknown	True	Unknown	Unknown
False	True	Unknown	False



## Demo 19: Cust id 402500 has a null for the credit limit column

```
select customer_id, customer_name_last
from cust_customers
where customer_id = 402500;
```

CUSTOMER_ID	CUSTOMER_NAME_LAST
402500	Jones

1 row selected.

## Demo 20: Cust id 402500 passes the first of these tests; the second test for that row has a value of unknown and therefore Cust id 402500 is not returned by this query since the tests are ANDed

```
select *
from cust_customers
where customer_id < 403050 AND customer_credit_limit < 1000;
```

CUSTOMER_ID	CUSTOMER_NAME_LAST	CUSTOMER_NAME_LAST	CUSTOMER_CREDIT_LIMIT
400801	Washington	Geo	750
401250	Morse	Samuel	750
402100	Morise	William	750
402110	Coltrane	John	750
402120	McCoy	Tyner	750

5 rows selected.

## Demo 21: Cust id 402500 passes the first of these tests; the second test for that row has a value of unknown and Cust id 402500 is returned by this query since the tests are ORed and Cust id passed at least one of the tests

```
select *
from cust_customers
where customer_id < 403050 OR customer_credit_limit < 1000;
```

CUSTOMER_ID	CUSTOMER_NAME_LAST	CUSTOMER_NAME_LAST	CUSTOMER_CREDIT_LIMIT
401250	Morse	Samuel	750
401890	Northrep	William	1750
402100	Morise	William	750
402110	Coltrane	John	750
402120	McCoy	Tyner	750
402500	Jones	Elton John	
403000	Williams	Sally	6000
403010	Otis	Elisha	6000
400801	Washington	Geo	750
400300	McGold	Arnold	6000

10 rows selected.