Calculating values in a query

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Math operators

- addition +
- subtraction -
- multiplication *
- division /
- modulus %
- Work differently on different data types

Calculating difference

```
[(61, 52672), (85, 51901), (54, 50808), (58, 45575), (60, 44915)]
```



Case statement

- Used to treat data differently based on a condition
- Accepts a list of conditions to match and a column to return if the condition matches
- The list of conditions ends with an else clause to determine what to do when a record doesn't match any prior conditions

Case example

```
from sqlalchemy import case
stmt = select([
        func.sum(
            case([
                (census.columns.state == 'New York',
                 census.columns.pop2008)
            ], else_=0))])
results = connection.execute(stmt).fetchall()
print(results)
```

```
[(19465159,)]
```



Cast statement

- Converts data to another type
- Useful for converting...
 - integers to floats for division
 - strings to dates and times
- Accepts a column or expression and the target Type

Percentage example

```
from sqlalchemy import case, cast, Float
stmt = select([
        (func.sum(
            case([
                (census.columns.state == 'New York',
                 census.columns.pop2008)
            ], else_=0)) /
         cast(func.sum(census.columns.pop2008),
              Float) * 100).label('ny_percent')])
results = connection.execute(stmt).fetchall()
print(results)
```

```
[(Decimal('6.4267619765'),)]
```



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SQL relationships

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Relationships

- Allow us to avoid duplicate data
- Make it easy to change things in one place
- Useful to break out information from a table we don't need very often

Relationships

Census

state	sex	age	pop2000	pop2008
New York	F	0	120355	122194
New York	F	1	118219	119661
New York	F	2	119577	116413

State_Fact

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name	abbreviation	type			
New York	NY	state			
Washington DC	DC	capitol			
Washington	WA	state			

Automatic joins

```
[(95012, u'IL'),
(95012, u'NJ'),
(95012, u'ND'),
(95012, u'OR'),
(95012, u'DC'),
(95012, u'WI'),
```

Join

- Accepts a Table and an optional expression that explains how the two tables are related
- The expression is not needed if the relationship is predefined and available via reflection
- Comes immediately after the select() clause and prior to any where(), order_by() or group_by() clauses

select_from()

- Used to replace the default, derived FROM clause with a join
- Wraps the join() clause

select_from() example

```
stmt = select([func.sum(census.columns.pop2000)])
stmt = stmt.select_from(census.join(state_fact))
stmt = stmt.where(state_fact.columns.circuit_court == '10')
result = connection.execute(stmt).scalar()
print(result)
```

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Joining tables without predefined relationship

- Join accepts a Table and an optional expression that explains how the two tables are related
- Will only join on data that match between the two columns
- Avoid joining on columns of different types

select_from() example

```
stmt = select([func.sum(census.columns.pop2000)])
stmt = stmt.select_from(
        census.join(state_fact, census.columns.state
        == state_fact.columns.name))
stmt = stmt.where(
        state_fact.columns.census_division_name ==
        'East South Central')
result = connection.execute(stmt).scalar()
print(result)
```

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Working with hierarchical tables

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Hierarchical tables

- Contain a relationship with themselves
- Commonly found in:
 - Organizational
 - Geographic
 - Network
 - Graph

Hierarchical tables - example

Employees

id	name	job	manager
1	Johnson	Admin	6
2	Harding	Manager	9
3	Taft	Sales I	2
4	Hoover	Sales I	2



Hierarchical tables - alias()

- Requires a way to view the table via multiple names
- Creates a unique reference that we can use



Querying hierarchical data

```
[(u'FILLMORE', u'GRANT'),
(u'FILLMORE', u'ADAMS'),
(u'HARDING', u'TAFT'), ...
```



group_by and func

- It's important to target group_by() at the right alias
- Be careful with what you perform functions on
- If you don't find yourself using both the alias and the table name for a query, don't create the alias at all



Querying hierarchical data

```
[(u'FILLMORE', Decimal('96000.00')),
  (u'GARFIELD', Decimal('83500.00')),
  (u'HARDING', Decimal('52000.00')),
  (u'JACKSON', Decimal('197000.00'))]
```

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Handling large ResultSets

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Dealing with large ResultSets

- fetchmany() lets us specify how many rows we want to act upon
- We can loop over fetchmany()
- It returns an empty list when there are no more records
- We have to close the ResultProxy afterwards

Fetching many rows

```
while more_results:
    partial_results = results_proxy.fetchmany(50)
    if partial_results == []:
        more_results = False
    for row in partial_results:
        state_count[row.state] += 1
results_proxy.close()
```

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