

# Aggregation function types at a glance

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An aggregation function performs a calculation on a set of values, and returns a single value. These functions are used in conjunction with the summarize operator. This article lists all available aggregation functions grouped by type. For scalar functions, see Scalar function types.

## Binary functions

Function Name	Description
binary_all_and()	Returns aggregated value using the binary AND of the group.
binary_all_or()	Returns aggregated value using the binary OR of the group.
binary_all_xor()	Returns aggregated value using the binary XOR of the group.

## Dynamic functions

Function Name	Description
buildschema()	Returns the minimal schema that admits all values of the dynamic input.
make_bag(), make_bag_if()	Returns a property bag of dynamic values within the group without/with a predicate.
make_list(), make_list_if()	Returns a list of all the values within the group without/with a predicate.
make_list_with_nulls()	Returns a list of all the values within the group, including null values.
make_set(), make_set_if()	Returns a set of distinct values within the group without/with a predicate.

## Row selector functions

Function Name	Description
arg_max()	Returns one or more expressions when the argument is maximized.
arg_min()	Returns one or more expressions when the argument is minimized.

Function Name	Description
take_any(), take_anyif()	Returns a random non-empty value for the group without/with a predicate.

## Statistical functions

Function Name	Description
avg()	Returns an average value across the group.
avgif()	Returns an average value across the group (with predicate).
count(), countif()	Returns a count of the group without/with a predicate.
count_distinct(), count_distinctif()	Returns a count of unique elements in the group without/with a predicate.
dcount(), dcountif()	Returns an approximate distinct count of the group elements without/with a predicate.
hll()	Returns the HyperLogLog (HLL) results of the group elements, an intermediate value of the <code>dcount</code> approximation.
hll_if()	Returns the HyperLogLog (HLL) results of the group elements, an intermediate value of the <code>dcount</code> approximation (with predicate).
hll_merge()	Returns a value for merged HLL results.
max(), maxif()	Returns the maximum value across the group without/with a predicate.
min(), minif()	Returns the minimum value across the group without/with a predicate.
percentile()	Returns a percentile estimation of the group.
percentiles()	Returns percentile estimations of the group.
percentiles_array()	Returns the percentile approximates of the array.
percentilesw()	Returns the weighted percentile approximate of the group.
percentilesw_array()	Returns the weighted percentile approximate of the array.
stdev(), stdevif()	Returns the standard deviation across the group for a population that is considered a sample without/with a predicate.
stdevp()	Returns the standard deviation across the group for a population that is considered representative.
sum(), sumif()	Returns the sum of the elements within the group without/with a predicate.

Function Name	Description
tdigest()	Returns an intermediate result for the percentiles approximation, the weighted percentile approximate of the group.
tdigest_merge()	Returns the merged <code>tdigest</code> value across the group.
variance(), varianceif()	Returns the variance across the group without/with a predicate.
variancep()	Returns the variance across the group for a population that is considered representative.

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# arg\_max() (aggregation function)

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Finds a row in the group that maximizes *ExprToMaximize*.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

**Deprecated aliases:** argmax()

## Syntax

```
arg_max ( ExprToMaximize , * | ExprToReturn [ , ... ] )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>ExprToMaximize</i>	string	✓	The expression used for aggregation calculation.
<i>ExprToReturn</i>	string	✓	The expression used for returning the value when <i>ExprToMaximize</i> is maximum. Use a wildcard <code>*</code> to return all columns of the input table.

## Returns

Returns a row in the group that maximizes *ExprToMaximize*, and the values of columns specified in *ExprToReturn*.

## Examples

Find the maximum latitude of a storm event in each state.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize arg_max(BeginLat, BeginLocation) by State
```

The results table displays only the first 10 rows.

State	BeginLat	BeginLocation
MISSISSIPPI	34.97	BARTON
VERMONT	45	NORTH TROY
AMERICAN SAMOA	-14.2	OFU
HAWAII	22.2113	PRINCEVILLE
MINNESOTA	49.35	ARNESEN
RHODE ISLAND	42	WOONSOCKET
INDIANA	41.73	FREMONT
WEST VIRGINIA	40.62	CHESTER
SOUTH CAROLINA	35.18	LANDRUM
TEXAS	36.4607	DARROUZETT
...	...	...

Find the last time an event with a direct death happened in each state showing all the columns.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| where DeathsDirect > 0
| summarize arg_max(StartTime, *) by State
```

The results table displays only the first 10 rows and first 3 columns.

State	StartTime	EndTime	...
GUAM	2007-01-27T11:15:00Z	2007-01-27T11:30:00Z	...
MASSACHUSETTS	2007-02-03T22:00:00Z	2007-02-04T10:00:00Z	...
AMERICAN SAMOA	2007-02-17T13:00:00Z	2007-02-18T11:00:00Z	...
IDAHO	2007-02-17T13:00:00Z	2007-02-17T15:00:00Z	...

State	StartTime	EndTime	...
DELAWARE	2007-02-25T13:00:00Z	2007-02-26T01:00:00Z	...
WYOMING	2007-03-10T17:00:00Z	2007-03-10T17:00:00Z	...
NEW MEXICO	2007-03-23T18:42:00Z	2007-03-23T19:06:00Z	...
INDIANA	2007-05-15T14:14:00Z	2007-05-15T14:14:00Z	...
MONTANA	2007-05-18T14:20:00Z	2007-05-18T14:20:00Z	...
LAKE MICHIGAN	2007-06-07T13:00:00Z	2007-06-07T13:00:00Z	...
...	...	...	...

The following example demonstrates null handling.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
datatable(Fruit: string, Color: string, Version: int) [
    "Apple", "Red", 1,
    "Apple", "Green", int(null),
    "Banana", "Yellow", int(null),
    "Banana", "Green", int(null),
    "Pear", "Brown", 1,
    "Pear", "Green", 2,
]
| summarize arg_max(Version, *) by Fruit
```

## Output

Fruit	Version	Color
Apple	1	Red
Banana		Yellow
Pear	2	Green

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# arg\_min() (aggregation function)

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Finds a row in the group that minimizes *ExprToMinimize*.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

**Deprecated aliases:** argmin()

## Syntax

```
arg_min (ExprToMinimize, * | ExprToReturn [, ...])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>ExprToMinimize</i>	string	✓	The expression used for aggregation calculation.
<i>ExprToReturn</i>	string	✓	The expression used for returning the value when <i>ExprToMinimize</i> is minimum. Use a wildcard (*) to return all columns of the input table.

## Null handling

When *ExprToMinimize* is null for all rows in a group, one row in the group is picked. Otherwise, rows where *ExprToMinimize* is null are ignored.

## Returns

Returns a row in the group that minimizes *ExprToMinimize*, and the value of *ExprToReturn*. Use or \* to return the entire row.

## Examples

Find the minimum latitude of a storm event in each state.

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
StormEvents  
| summarize arg_min(BeginLat, BeginLocation) by State
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

<b>State</b>	<b>BeginLat</b>	<b>BeginLocation</b>
AMERICAN SAMOA	-14.3	PAGO PAGO
CALIFORNIA	32.5709	NESTOR
MINNESOTA	43.5	BIGELOW
WASHINGTON	45.58	WASHOUGAL
GEORGIA	30.67	FARGO
ILLINOIS	37	CAIRO
FLORIDA	24.6611	SUGARLOAF KEY
KENTUCKY	36.5	HAZEL
TEXAS	25.92	BROWNSVILLE
OHIO	38.42	SOUTH PT
...	...	...

Find the first time an event with a direct death happened in each state showing all of the columns.

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
StormEvents  
| where DeathsDirect > 0  
| summarize arg_min(StartTime, *) by State
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows and first 3 columns.

<b>State</b>	<b>StartTime</b>	<b>EndTime</b>	...
...	...	...	...

State	StartTime	EndTime	...
INDIANA	2007-01-01T00:00:00Z	2007-01-22T18:49:00Z	...
FLORIDA	2007-01-03T10:55:00Z	2007-01-03T10:55:00Z	...
NEVADA	2007-01-04T09:00:00Z	2007-01-05T14:00:00Z	...
LOUISIANA	2007-01-04T15:45:00Z	2007-01-04T15:52:00Z	...
WASHINGTON	2007-01-09T17:00:00Z	2007-01-09T18:00:00Z	...
CALIFORNIA	2007-01-11T22:00:00Z	2007-01-24T10:00:00Z	...
OKLAHOMA	2007-01-12T00:00:00Z	2007-01-18T23:59:00Z	...
MISSOURI	2007-01-13T03:00:00Z	2007-01-13T08:30:00Z	...
TEXAS	2007-01-13T10:30:00Z	2007-01-13T14:30:00Z	...
ARKANSAS	2007-01-14T03:00:00Z	2007-01-14T03:00:00Z	...
...	...	...	...

The following example demonstrates null handling.

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
datatable(Fruit: string, Color: string, Version: int) [
    "Apple", "Red", 1,
    "Apple", "Green", int(null),
    "Banana", "Yellow", int(null),
    "Banana", "Green", int(null),
    "Pear", "Brown", 1,
    "Pear", "Green", 2,
]
| summarize arg_min(Version, *) by Fruit
```

**Output**

Fruit	Version	Color
Apple	1	Red
Banana		Yellow
Pear	1	Brown

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# avg() (aggregation function)

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Calculates the average (arithmetic mean) of *expr* across the group.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
avg(expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for aggregation calculation. Records with <code>null</code> values are ignored and not included in the calculation.

## Returns

Returns the average value of *expr* across the group.

## Example

This example returns the average number of damaged crops per state.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize AvgDamageToCrops = avg(DamageCrops) by State
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

State	AvgDamageToCrops
Alabama	1.0

State	AvgDamageToCrops
TEXAS	7524.569241
KANSAS	15366.86671
IOWA	4332.477535
ILLINOIS	44568.00198
MISSOURI	340719.2212
GEORGIA	490702.5214
MINNESOTA	2835.991494
WISCONSIN	17764.37838
NEBRASKA	21366.36467
NEW YORK	5.714285714
...	...

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# avgif() (aggregation function)

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Calculates the average of *expr* in records for which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
avgif ( expr , predicate )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for aggregation calculation. Records with <code>null</code> values are ignored and not included in the calculation.
<i>predicate</i>	string	✓	The predicate that if true, the <i>expr</i> calculated value will be added to the average.

## Returns

Returns the average value of *expr* in records where *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## Example

This example calculates the average damage by state in cases where there was any damage.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize Averagedamage=tolong(avg(
    DamageCrops)),AverageWhenDamage=tolong(avgif(DamageCrops,DamageCrops >0)) by
    State
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

<b>State</b>	<b>Averagedamage</b>	<b>Averagegewhendamage</b>
TEXAS	7524	491291
KANSAS	15366	695021
IOWA	4332	28203
ILLINOIS	44568	2574757
MISSOURI	340719	8806281
GEORGIA	490702	57239005
MINNESOTA	2835	144175
WISCONSIN	17764	438188
NEBRASKA	21366	187726
NEW YORK	5	10000
...	...	...

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# binary\_all\_and() (aggregation function)

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Accumulates values using the binary `AND` operation for each summarization group, or in total if a group is not specified.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
binary_all_and ( expr )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	long	✓	The value used for the binary <code>AND</code> calculation.

## Returns

Returns an aggregated value using the binary `AND` operation over records for each summarization group, or in total if a group is not specified.

## Example

The following example produces `CAFEF00D` using binary `AND` operations:

Run the query

Kusto

```
datatable(num:long)
[
    0xFFFFFFFF,
    0xFFFFF00F,
    0xCFFFFFFD,
    0xFABEFFFF,
```

```
]
| summarize result = toupper(tohex(binary_all_and(num)))
```

## Output

<b>result</b>
CAFEF00D

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# binary\_all\_or() (aggregation function)

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Accumulates values using the binary `OR` operation for each summarization group, or in total if a group is not specified.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
binary_all_or (expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	long	✓	The value used for the binary <code>OR</code> calculation.

## Returns

Returns an aggregated value using the binary `OR` operation over records for each summarization group, or in total if a group is not specified.

## Example

The following example produces `CAFEF00D` using binary `OR` operations:

Run the query

Kusto

```
datatable(num:long)
[
    0x88888008,
    0x42000000,
    0x00767000,
    0x00000005,
```

```
]
| summarize result = toupper(tohex(binary_all_or(num)))
```

## Output

<b>result</b>
CAFEF00D

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# binary\_all\_xor() (aggregation function)

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Accumulates values using the binary `XOR` operation for each summarization group, or in total if a group is not specified.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
binary_all_xor ( expr )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	long	✓	The value used for the binary <code>XOR</code> calculation.

## Returns

Returns a value that is aggregated using the binary `XOR` operation over records for each summarization group, or in total if a group is not specified.

## Example

The following example produces `CAFEF00D` using binary `XOR` operations:

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
datatable(num:long)
[
    0x44404440,
    0x1E1E1E1E,
    0x90ABBA09,
    0x000B105A,
```

```
]
| summarize result = toupper(tohex(binary_all_xor(num)))
```

## Output

<b>results</b>
CAFEF00D

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# buildschema() (aggregation function)

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Builds the minimal schema that admits all values of *DynamicExpr*.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
buildschema (DynamicExpr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>DynamicExpr</i>	dynamic	✓	Expression used for the aggregation calculation.

## Returns

Returns the minimal schema that admits all values of *DynamicExpr*.

## 💡 Tip

If `buildschema(json_column)` gives a syntax error:

*Is your json\_column a string rather than a dynamic object?*

then use `buildschema(parsejson(json_column))`.

## Example

The following example builds a schema based on:

- `{"x":1, "y":3.5}`
- `{"x":"somevalue", "z":[1, 2, 3]}`

- `{"y": {"w": "zzz"}, "t": ["aa", "bb"], "z": ["foo"]}`

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
datatable(value: dynamic) [
    dynamic({ "x": 1, "y": 3.5}),
    dynamic({ "x": "somevalue", "z": [1, 2, 3]}),
    dynamic({ "y": {"w": "zzz"}, "t": ["aa", "bb"], "z": ["foo"]})
]
| summarize buildschema(value)
```

## Results

schema_value
<code>{"x": ["long", "string"], "y": ["double", {"w": "string"}], "z": [{"indexer": ["long", "string"]}], "t": [{"indexer": "string"}]}</code>

The resulting schema tells us that:

- The root object is a container with four properties named `x`, `y`, `z`, and `t`.
- The property called `x` is of type `long` or of type `string`.
- The property called `y` is of type `double`, or another container with a property called `w` of type `string`.
- The `indexer` keyword indicates that `z` and `t` are arrays.
- Each item in the array `z` is of type `long` or of type `string`.
- `t` is an array of strings.
- Every property is implicitly optional, and any array may be empty.

## Schema model

The syntax of the returned schema is:

```
Container ::= '{' Named-type* '}';
Named-type ::= (name | ""indexer"") `:` Type;
Type ::= Primitive-type | Union-type | Container;
Union-type ::= '[' Type* ']';
Primitive-type ::= "long" | "string" | ...;
```

The values are equivalent to a subset of TypeScript type annotations, encoded as a Kusto dynamic value. In TypeScript, the example schema would be:

TypeScript

```
var someobject:  
{  
    x?: (number | string),  
    y?: (number | { w?: string}),  
    z?: { [n:number] : (long | string) },  
    t?: { [n:number]: string }  
}
```

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# count() (aggregation function)

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Counts the number of records per summarization group, or total if summarization is done without grouping.

Use the countif aggregation function to count only records for which a predicate returns true.

## ⚠ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the **summarize** operator.

## Syntax

```
count()
```

## Returns

Returns a count of the records per summarization group (or in total, if summarization is done without grouping).

## Example

This example returns a count of events in states starting with letter W:

**Run the query**

```
Kusto
StormEvents
| where State startswith "W"
| summarize Count=count() by State
```

## Output

State	Count
WEST VIRGINIA	757

State	Count
WYOMING	396
WASHINGTON	261
WISCONSIN	1850

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# count\_distinct() (aggregation function) - (preview)

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Counts unique values specified by the scalar expression per summary group, or the total number of unique values if the summary group is omitted.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

If you only need an estimation of unique values count, we recommend using the less resource-consuming `dcount` aggregation function.

To count only records for which a predicate returns `true`, use the `count_distinctif` aggregation function.

## ⓘ Note

- This function is limited to 100M unique values. An attempt to apply the function on an expression returning too many values will produce a runtime error (HRESULT: 0x80DA0012).
- Function performance can be degraded when operating on multiple data sources from different clusters.

## Syntax

```
count_distinct (expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	scalar	✓	The expression whose unique values are to be counted.

## Returns

Long integer value indicating the number of unique values of *expr* per summary group.

## Example

This example shows how many types of storm events happened in each state.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize UniqueEvents=count_distinct(EventType) by State
| top 5 by UniqueEvents
```

## Output

State	UniqueEvents
TEXAS	27
CALIFORNIA	26
PENNSYLVANIA	25
GEORGIA	24
NORTH CAROLINA	23

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# count\_distinctif() (aggregation function) - (preview)

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Conditionally counts unique values specified by the scalar expression per summary group, or the total number of unique values if the summary group is omitted. Only records for which *predicate* evaluates to `true` are counted.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

If you only need an estimation of unique values count, we recommend using the less resource-consuming `dcountif` aggregation function.

## ⓘ Note

- This function is limited to 100M unique values. An attempt to apply the function on an expression returning too many values will produce a runtime error (HRESULT: 0x80DA0012).
- Function performance can be degraded when operating on multiple data sources from different clusters.

## Syntax

```
count_distinctif ( expr , predicate )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	scalar	✓	The expression whose unique values are to be counted.
<i>predicate</i>	string	✓	The expression used to filter records to be aggregated.

## Returns

Integer value indicating the number of unique values of *expr* per summary group, for all records for which the *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## Example

This example shows how many types of death-causing storm events happened in each state. Only storm events with a nonzero count of deaths will be counted.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize UniqueFatalEvents=count_distinctif(EventType,(DeathsDirect +
DeathsIndirect)>0) by State
| where UniqueFatalEvents > 0
| top 5 by UniqueFatalEvents
```

## Output

State	UniqueFatalEvents
TEXAS	12
CALIFORNIA	12
OKLAHOMA	10
NEW YORK	9
KANSAS	9

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# countif() (aggregation function)

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Counts the rows in which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
countif (predicate)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>predicate</i>	string	✓	The expression used for aggregation calculation. The value can be any scalar expression with a return type of bool.

## Returns

Returns a count of rows in which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## Examples

### Count storms by state

This example shows the number of storms with damage to crops by state.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize TotalCount=count(),TotalWithDamage=countif(DamageCrops >0) by
State
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

State	TotalCount	TotalWithDamage
TEXAS	4701	72
KANSAS	3166	70
IOWA	2337	359
ILLINOIS	2022	35
MISSOURI	2016	78
GEORGIA	1983	17
MINNESOTA	1881	37
WISCONSIN	1850	75
NEBRASKA	1766	201
NEW YORK	1750	1
...	...	...

## Count based on string length

This example shows the number of names with more than 4 letters.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
let T = datatable(name:string, day_of_birth:long)
[
    "John", 9,
    "Paul", 18,
    "George", 25,
    "Ringo", 7
];
T
| summarize countif(strlen(name) > 4)
```

## Output

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## See also

count() function, which counts rows without predicate expression.

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# dcount() (aggregation function)

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Calculates an estimate of the number of distinct values that are taken by a scalar expression in the summary group.

## ⓘ Note

The `dcount()` aggregation function is primarily useful for estimating the cardinality of huge sets. It trades accuracy for performance, and may return a result that varies between executions. The order of inputs may have an effect on its output.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
dcount ( expr[, accuracy] )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The input whose distinct values are to be counted.
<code>accuracy</code>	int		The value that defines the requested estimation accuracy. The default value is 1. See Estimation accuracy for supported values.

## Returns

Returns an estimate of the number of distinct values of `expr` in the group.

## Example

This example shows how many types of storm events happened in each state.

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize DifferentEvents=dcount(EventType) by State
| order by DifferentEvents
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

<b>State</b>	<b>DifferentEvents</b>
TEXAS	27
CALIFORNIA	26
PENNSYLVANIA	25
GEORGIA	24
ILLINOIS	23
MARYLAND	23
NORTH CAROLINA	23
MICHIGAN	22
FLORIDA	22
OREGON	21
KANSAS	21
...	...

## Estimation accuracy

This function uses a variant of the HyperLogLog (HLL) algorithm [↗](#), which does a stochastic estimation of set cardinality. The algorithm provides a "knob" that can be used to balance accuracy and execution time per memory size:

<b>Accuracy</b>	<b>Error (%)</b>	<b>Entry count</b>
0	1.6	$2^{12}$
1	0.8	$2^{14}$

Accuracy	Error (%)	Entry count
2	0.4	$2^{16}$
3	0.28	$2^{17}$
4	0.2	$2^{18}$

### ⓘ Note

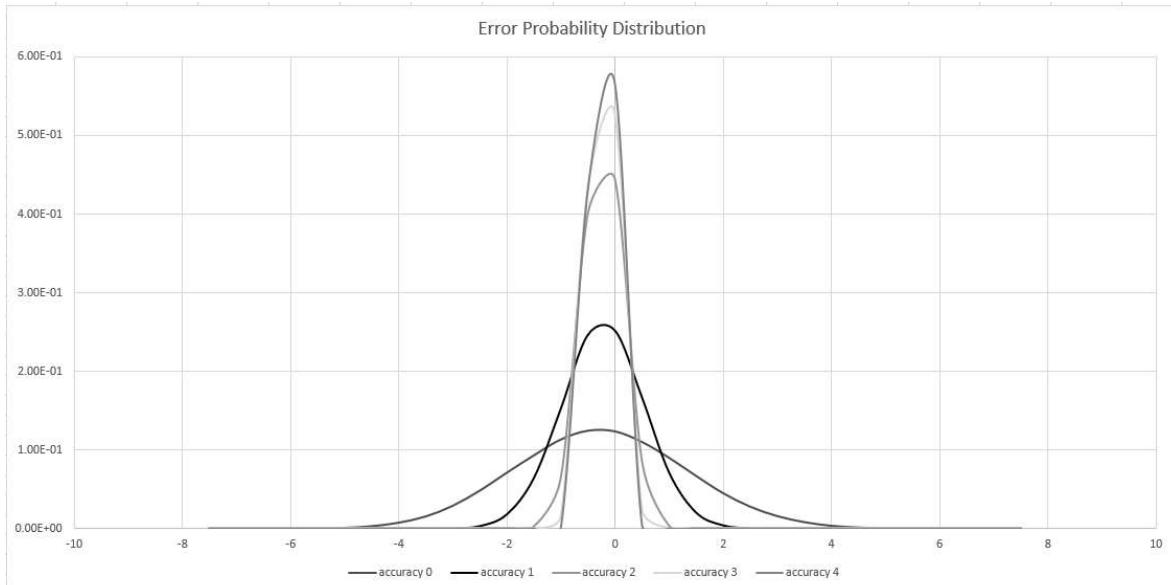
The "entry count" column is the number of 1-byte counters in the HLL implementation.

The algorithm includes some provisions for doing a perfect count (zero error), if the set cardinality is small enough:

- When the accuracy level is 1, 1000 values are returned
- When the accuracy level is 2, 8000 values are returned

The error bound is probabilistic, not a theoretical bound. The value is the standard deviation of error distribution (the sigma), and 99.7% of the estimations will have a relative error of under  $3 \times \sigma$ .

The following image shows the probability distribution function of the relative estimation error, in percentages, for all supported accuracy settings:



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# dcountif() (aggregation function)

Article • 12/12/2022

Estimates the number of distinct values of *expr* for rows in which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the **summarize** operator.

## Syntax

```
dcountif (expr, predicate, [, accuracy])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<i>predicate</i>	string	✓	The expression used to filter rows.
<i>accuracy</i>	int		The control between speed and accuracy. If unspecified, the default value is 1. See Estimation accuracy for supported values.

## Returns

Returns an estimate of the number of distinct values of *expr* for rows in which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## 💡 Tip

`dcountif()` may return an error in cases where all, or none of the rows pass the `Predicate` expression.

## Example

This example shows how many types of fatal storm events happened in each state.

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize DifferentFatalEvents=dcountif(EventType,(DeathsDirect +
DeathsIndirect)>0) by State
| where DifferentFatalEvents > 0
| order by DifferentFatalEvents
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

<b>State</b>	<b>DifferentFatalEvents</b>
CALIFORNIA	12
TEXAS	12
OKLAHOMA	10
ILLINOIS	9
KANSAS	9
NEW YORK	9
NEW JERSEY	7
WASHINGTON	7
MICHIGAN	7
MISSOURI	7
...	...

## Estimation accuracy

This function uses a variant of the HyperLogLog (HLL) algorithm [↗](#), which does a stochastic estimation of set cardinality. The algorithm provides a "knob" that can be used to balance accuracy and execution time per memory size:

<b>Accuracy</b>	<b>Error (%)</b>	<b>Entry count</b>
0	1.6	$2^{12}$
1	0.8	$2^{14}$

Accuracy	Error (%)	Entry count
2	0.4	$2^{16}$
3	0.28	$2^{17}$
4	0.2	$2^{18}$

### ⓘ Note

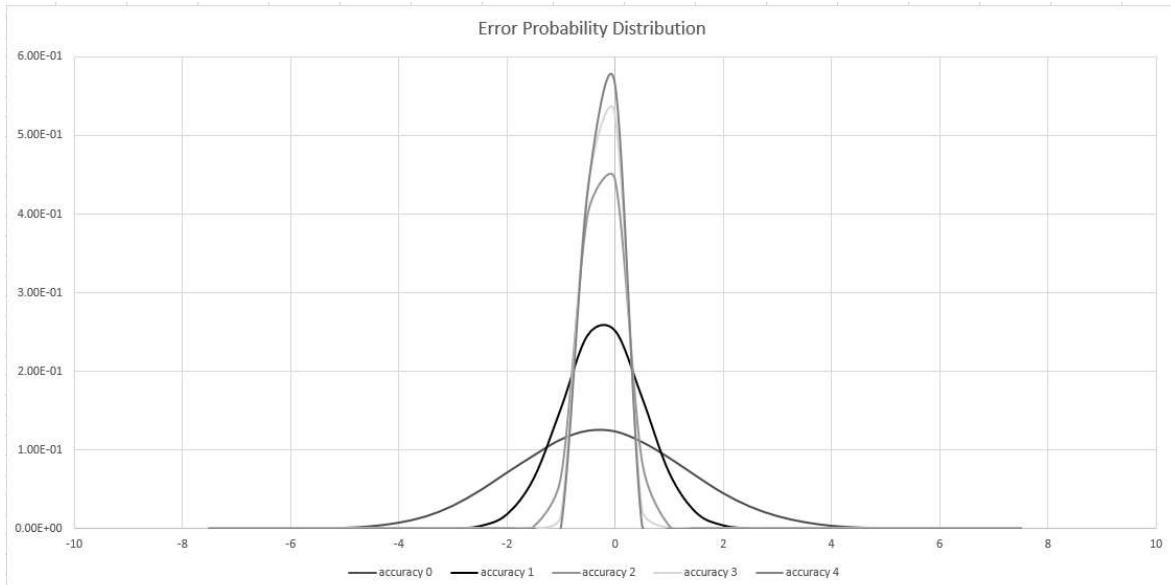
The "entry count" column is the number of 1-byte counters in the HLL implementation.

The algorithm includes some provisions for doing a perfect count (zero error), if the set cardinality is small enough:

- When the accuracy level is 1, 1000 values are returned
- When the accuracy level is 2, 8000 values are returned

The error bound is probabilistic, not a theoretical bound. The value is the standard deviation of error distribution (the sigma), and 99.7% of the estimations will have a relative error of under  $3 \times \sigma$ .

The following image shows the probability distribution function of the relative estimation error, in percentages, for all supported accuracy settings:



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# hll() (aggregation function)

Article • 06/12/2023

The `hll()` function is a way to estimate the number of unique values in a set of values. It does this by calculating intermediate results for aggregation within the `summarize` operator for a group of data using the `dcount` function.

Read about the underlying algorithm (*HyperLogLog*) and the estimation accuracy.

## ⚠ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## 💡 Tip

- Use the `hll_merge` function to merge the results of multiple `hll()` functions.
- Use the `dcount_hll` function to calculate the number of distinct values from the output of the `hll()` or `hll_merge` functions.

## ⓘ Important

The results of `hll()`, `hll_if()`, and `hll_merge()` can be stored and later retrieved. For example, you may want to create a daily unique users summary, which can then be used to calculate weekly counts. However, the precise binary representation of these results may change over time.

There's no guarantee that these functions will produce identical results for identical inputs, and therefore we don't advise relying on them.

## Syntax

```
hll (expr [, accuracy])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<code>accuracy</code>	int		The value that controls the balance between speed and accuracy. If unspecified, the default value is <code>1</code> . For supported values, see Estimation accuracy.

## Returns

Returns the intermediate results of distinct count of `expr` across the group.

# Example

In the following example, the `hll()` function is used to estimate the number of unique values of the `DamageProperty` column within each 10-minute time bin of the `StartTime` column.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize hll(DamageProperty) by bin(StartTime,10m)
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

StartTime	hll_DamageProperty
2007-01-01T00:20:00Z	[[1024,14],["3803688792395291579"],[]]
2007-01-01T01:00:00Z	[[1024,14],["7755241107725382121","-5665157283053373866","3803688792395291579","-1003235211361077779"],[]]
2007-01-01T02:00:00Z	[[1024,14],[-1003235211361077779,"-5665157283053373866","7755241107725382121"],[]]
2007-01-01T02:20:00Z	[[1024,14],["7755241107725382121"],[]]
2007-01-01T03:30:00Z	[[1024,14],["3803688792395291579"],[]]
2007-01-01T03:40:00Z	[[1024,14],[-5665157283053373866],[]]
2007-01-01T04:30:00Z	[[1024,14],["3803688792395291579"],[]]
2007-01-01T05:30:00Z	[[1024,14],["3803688792395291579"],[]]
2007-01-01T06:30:00Z	[[1024,14],["1589522558235929902"],[]]

## Estimation accuracy

This function uses a variant of the HyperLogLog (HLL) algorithm [↗](#), which does a stochastic estimation of set cardinality. The algorithm provides a "knob" that can be used to balance accuracy and execution time per memory size:

Accuracy	Error (%)	Entry count
0	1.6	$2^{12}$

Accuracy	Error (%)	Entry count
1	0.8	$2^{14}$
2	0.4	$2^{16}$
3	0.28	$2^{17}$
4	0.2	$2^{18}$

① Note

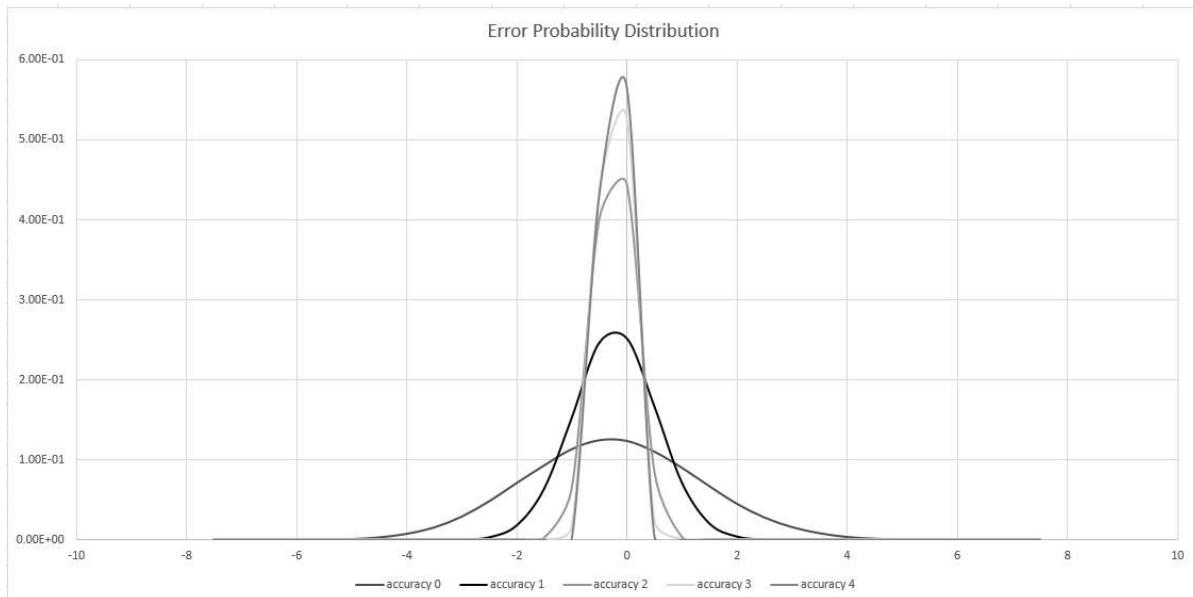
The "entry count" column is the number of 1-byte counters in the HLL implementation.

The algorithm includes some provisions for doing a perfect count (zero error), if the set cardinality is small enough:

- When the accuracy level is 1, 1000 values are returned
- When the accuracy level is 2, 8000 values are returned

The error bound is probabilistic, not a theoretical bound. The value is the standard deviation of error distribution (the sigma), and 99.7% of the estimations will have a relative error of under  $3 \times \sigma$ .

The following image shows the probability distribution function of the relative estimation error, in percentages, for all supported accuracy settings:



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# hll\_if() (aggregation function)

Article • 06/12/2023

Calculates the intermediate results of dcount in records for which the *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

Read about the underlying algorithm (*HyperLogLog*) and the estimation accuracy.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the **summarize** operator.

## ⓘ Important

The results of `hll()`, `hll_if()`, and `hll_merge()` can be stored and later retrieved. For example, you may want to create a daily unique users summary, which can then be used to calculate weekly counts. However, the precise binary representation of these results may change over time. There's no guarantee that these functions will produce identical results for identical inputs, and therefore we don't advise relying on them.

## Syntax

```
hll_if (expr, predicate [, accuracy])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<code>predicate</code>	string	✓	The <i>Expr</i> used to filter records to add to the intermediate result of <code>dcount</code> .
<code>accuracy</code>	int		The value that controls the balance between speed and accuracy. If unspecified, the default value is <code>1</code> . For supported values, see Estimation accuracy.

## Returns

Returns the intermediate results of distinct count of *Expr* for which *Predicate* evaluates to `true`.

### 💡 Tip

- You can use the aggregation function `hll_merge` to merge more than one `hll` intermediate result. Only works with `hll` output only.
- You can use `dcount_hll`, to calculate the distinct count from `hll`, `hll_merge`, or `hll_if` aggregation functions.

## Examples

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| where State in ("IOWA", "KANSAS")
| summarize hll_flood = hll_if(Source, EventType == "Flood") by State
| project State, SourcesOfFloodEvents = dcount_hll(hll_flood)
```

State	SourcesOfFloodEvents
KANSAS	11
IOWA	7

## Estimation accuracy

Accuracy	Speed	Error (%)
0	Fastest	1.6
1	Balanced	0.8
2	Slow	0.4
3	Slow	0.28
4	Slowest	0.2

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# hll\_merge() (aggregation function)

Article • 06/12/2023

Merges HLL results across the group into a single HLL value.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

For more information, see the underlying algorithm (*HyperLogLog*) and estimation accuracy.

## ⓘ Important

The results of `hll()`, `hll_if()`, and `hll_merge()` can be stored and later retrieved. For example, you may want to create a daily unique users summary, which can then be used to calculate weekly counts. However, the precise binary representation of these results may change over time. There's no guarantee that these functions will produce identical results for identical inputs, and therefore we don't advise relying on them.

## Syntax

```
hll_merge (hll)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>hll</code>	string	✓	The column name containing HLL values to merge.

## Returns

The function returns the merged HLL values of `hll` across the group.

## ⓘ Tip

Use the `dcount_hll` function to calculate the `dcount` from `hll()` and `hll_merge()` aggregation functions.

## Example

The following example shows HLL results across a group merged into a single HLL value.

Run the query

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize hllRes = hll(DamageProperty) by bin(StartTime,10m)
| summarize hllMerged = hll_merge(hllRes)
```

## Output

The results show only the first five results in the array.

hllMerged
[[1024,14], ["-6903255281122589438","-741369718192958220","-2396604341988936699","5824198135224880646","-6257421034880415225", ...],[]]

## Estimation accuracy

This function uses a variant of the HyperLogLog (HLL) algorithm [↗](#), which does a stochastic estimation of set cardinality. The algorithm provides a "knob" that can be used to balance accuracy and execution time per memory size:

Accuracy	Error (%)	Entry count
0	1.6	$2^{12}$
1	0.8	$2^{14}$
2	0.4	$2^{16}$
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4	0.2	$2^{18}$

### ⓘ Note

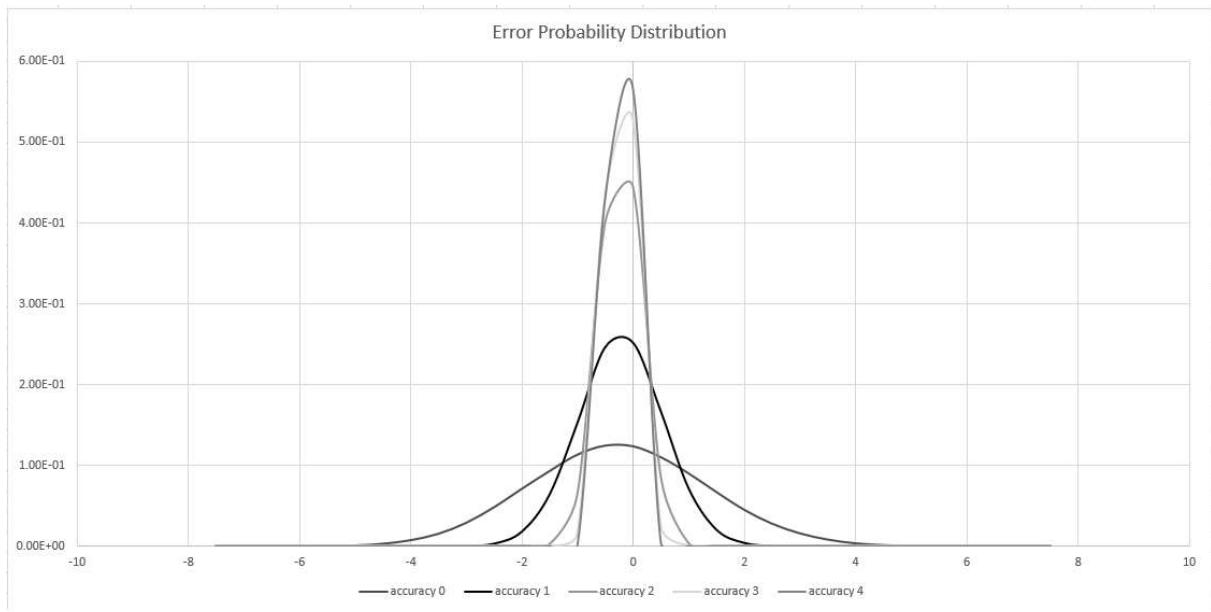
The "entry count" column is the number of 1-byte counters in the HLL implementation.

The algorithm includes some provisions for doing a perfect count (zero error), if the set cardinality is small enough:

- When the accuracy level is 1, 1000 values are returned
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# make\_bag() (aggregation function)

Article • 01/10/2023

Creates a `dynamic` JSON property bag (dictionary) of all the values of `expr` in the group.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
make_bag ( expr [ , maxSize] )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	<code>dynamic</code>	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<code>maxSize</code>	<code>int</code>		The limit on the maximum number of elements returned. The default and max value is 1048576.

## ⓘ Note

`make_dictionary()` has been deprecated in favor of `make_bag()`. The legacy version has a default `maxSize` limit of 128.

## Returns

Returns a `dynamic` JSON property bag (dictionary) of all the values of `Expr` in the group, which are property bags. Non-dictionary values will be skipped. If a key appears in more than one row, an arbitrary value, out of the possible values for this key, will be selected.

## Example

The following example shows a packed JSON property bag.

## Run the query

Kusto

```
let T = datatable(prop:string, value:string)
[
    "prop01", "val_a",
    "prop02", "val_b",
    "prop03", "val_c",
];
T
| extend p = bag_pack(prop, value)
| summarize dict=make_bag(p)
```

## Output

dict

```
{ "prop01": "val_a", "prop02": "val_b", "prop03": "val_c" }
```

Use the `bag_unpack()` plugin for transforming the bag keys in the `make_bag()` output into columns.

## Run the query

Kusto

```
let T = datatable(prop:string, value:string)
[
    "prop01", "val_a",
    "prop02", "val_b",
    "prop03", "val_c",
];
T
| extend p = bag_pack(prop, value)
| summarize bag=make_bag(p)
| evaluate bag_unpack(bag)
```

## Output

prop01	prop02	prop03
val_a	val_b	val_c

## See also

bag\_unpack().

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# make\_bag\_if() (aggregation function)

Article • 01/10/2023

Creates a `dynamic` JSON property bag (dictionary) of `expr` values in records for which `predicate` evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
make_bag_if(expr, predicate [, maxSize])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	dynamic	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<code>predicate</code>	bool	✓	The predicate that evaluates to <code>true</code> , in order for <code>expr</code> to be added to the result.
<code>maxSize</code>	int		The limit on the maximum number of elements returned. The default and max value is 1048576.

## Returns

Returns a `dynamic` JSON property bag (dictionary) of `expr` values in records for which `predicate` evaluates to `true`. Non-dictionary values will be skipped. If a key appears in more than one row, an arbitrary value, out of the possible values for this key, will be selected.

## ⓘ Note

This function without the predicate is similar to `make_bag`.

## Example

The following example shows a packed JSON property bag.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
let T = datatable(prop:string, value:string, predicate:bool)
[
    "prop01", "val_a", true,
    "prop02", "val_b", false,
    "prop03", "val_c", true
];
T
| extend p = bag_pack(prop, value)
| summarize dict=make_bag_if(p, predicate)
```

**Output**

**dict**

```
{ "prop01": "val_a", "prop03": "val_c" }
```

Use `bag_unpack()` plugin for transforming the bag keys in the `make_bag_if()` output into columns.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
let T = datatable(prop:string, value:string, predicate:bool)
[
    "prop01", "val_a", true,
    "prop02", "val_b", false,
    "prop03", "val_c", true
];
T
| extend p = bag_pack(prop, value)
| summarize bag=make_bag_if(p, predicate)
| evaluate bag_unpack(bag)
```

**Output**

**prop01**

**prop03**

val_a	val_c
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# make\_list() (aggregation function)

Article • 03/20/2023

Creates a `dynamic` array of all the values of *expr* in the group.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

**Deprecated aliases:** makelist()

## Syntax

```
make_list(expr [, maxSize])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	dynamic	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<i>maxSize</i>	int		The maximum number of elements returned. The default and max value is 1048576.

## ⓘ Note

The deprecated version has a default *maxSize* limit of 128.

## Returns

Returns a `dynamic` array of all the values of *expr* in the group. If the input to the `summarize` operator isn't sorted, the order of elements in the resulting array is undefined. If the input to the `summarize` operator is sorted, the order of elements in the resulting array tracks that of the input.

## 💡 Tip

Use the `array_sort_asc()` or `array_sort_desc()` function to create an ordered list by some key.

## Examples

### One column

The following example makes a list out of a single column:

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
let shapes = datatable (name: string, sideCount: int)
[
    "triangle", 3,
    "square", 4,
    "rectangle", 4,
    "pentagon", 5,
    "hexagon", 6,
    "heptagon", 7,
    "octagon", 8,
    "nonagon", 9,
    "decagon", 10
];
shapes
| summarize myList = make_list(name)
```

### Output

**myList**

```
["triangle","square","rectangle","pentagon","hexagon","heptagon","octagon","nonagon","decagon"]
```

### Using the 'by' clause

The following example runs a query using the `by` clause:

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
let shapes = datatable (name: string, sideCount: int)
[
```

```

    "triangle", 3,
    "square", 4,
    "rectangle", 4,
    "pentagon", 5,
    "hexagon", 6,
    "heptagon", 7,
    "octagon", 8,
    "nonagon", 9,
    "decagon", 10
];
shapes
| summarize mylist = make_list(name) by isEvenSideCount = sideCount % 2 == 0

```

## Output

isEvenSideCount	mylist
false	["triangle","pentagon","heptagon","nonagon"]
true	["square","rectangle","hexagon","octagon","decagon"]

## Packing a dynamic object

The following examples show how to pack a dynamic object in a column before making it a list.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```

let shapes = datatable (name: string, sideCount: int)
[
    "triangle", 3,
    "square", 4,
    "rectangle", 4,
    "pentagon", 5,
    "hexagon", 6,
    "heptagon", 7,
    "octagon", 8,
    "nonagon", 9,
    "decagon", 10
];
shapes
| extend d = bag_pack("name", name, "sideCount", sideCount)
| summarize mylist = make_list(d) by isEvenSideCount = sideCount % 2 == 0

```

## Output

## IsEvenSideCount myList

false	[{"name": "triangle", "sideCount": 3}, {"name": "pentagon", "sideCount": 5}, {"name": "heptagon", "sideCount": 7}, {"name": "nonagon", "sideCount": 9}]
-------	---

true	[{"name": "square", "sideCount": 4}, {"name": "rectangle", "sideCount": 4}, {"name": "hexagon", "sideCount": 6}, {"name": "octagon", "sideCount": 8}, {"name": "decagon", "sideCount": 10}]
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## See also

make\_list\_if operator is similar to `make_list`, except it also accepts a predicate.

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# make\_list\_if() (aggregation function)

Article • 01/26/2023

Creates a `dynamic` array of `expr` values in the group for which `predicate` evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
make_list_if(expr, predicate [, maxSize])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<code>predicate</code>	string	✓	A predicate that has to evaluate to <code>true</code> in order for <code>expr</code> to be added to the result.
<code>maxSize</code>	integer		The maximum number of elements returned. The default and max value is 1048576.

## Returns

Returns a `dynamic` array of `expr` values in the group for which `predicate` evaluates to `true`. If the input to the `summarize` operator is not sorted, the order of elements in the resulting array is undefined. If the input to the `summarize` operator is sorted, the order of elements in the resulting array tracks that of the input.

## Example

The following example shows a list of names with more than 4 letters.

[Run the query](#)

```
let T = datatable(name:string, day_of_birth:long)
[
    "John", 9,
    "Paul", 18,
    "George", 25,
    "Ringo", 7
];
T
| summarize make_list_if(name, strlen(name) > 4)
```

## Output

### list\_name

```
["George", "Ringo"]
```

## See also

make\_list function, which does the same, without predicate expression.

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# make\_list\_with\_nulls() (aggregation function)

Article • 03/12/2023

Creates a `dynamic` array of all the values of `expr` in the group, including null values.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
make_list_with_nulls(expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression that to use to create the array.

## Returns

Returns a `dynamic` JSON object (array) of all the values of `expr` in the group, including null values. If the input to the `summarize` operator isn't sorted, the order of elements in the resulting array is undefined. If the input to the `summarize` operator is sorted, the order of elements in the resulting array tracks that of the input.

## 💡 Tip

Use the `array_sort_asc()` or `array_sort_desc()` function to create an ordered list by some key.

## Example

The following example shows null values in the results.

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
let shapes = datatable (name:string , sideCount: int)
[
    "triangle", int(null),
    "square", 4,
    "rectangle", 4,
    "pentagon", 5,
    "hexagon", 6,
    "heptagon", 7,
    "octagon", 8,
    "nonagon", 9,
    "decagon", 10
];
shapes
| summarize myList = make_list_with_nulls(sideCount)
```

## Output

**myList**

[null,4,4,5,6,7,8,9,10]

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# make\_set() (aggregation function)

Article • 04/02/2023

Creates a `dynamic` array of the set of distinct values that `expr` takes in the group.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

Deprecated aliases: `makeset()`

## Syntax

```
make_set(expr [, maxSize])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<code>maxSize</code>	int		The maximum number of elements returned. The default and max value is 1048576.

## ⓘ Note

The deprecated version has a default `maxSize` limit of 128.

## Returns

Returns a `dynamic` array of the set of distinct values that `expr` takes in the group. The array's sort order is undefined.

## 💡 Tip

To only count distinct values, use `dcount()` or `count_distinct()`.

## Example

### Set from a scalar column

The following example shows the set of states grouped with the same amount of crop damage.

Run the query

```
Kusto
StormEvents
| summarize states=make_set(State) by DamageCrops
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

DamageCrops	states
0	[{"State": "Alabama"}, {"State": "Alaska"}, {"State": "Arizona"}, {"State": "Arkansas"}, {"State": "California"}, {"State": "Colorado"}, {"State": "Connecticut"}, {"State": "Delaware"}, {"State": "Florida"}, {"State": "Georgia"}]

## DamageCrops states

0	["NORTH CAROLINA", "WISCONSIN", "NEW YORK", "ALASKA", "DELAWARE", "OKLAHOMA", "INDIANA", "ILLINOIS", "MINNESOTA", "SOUTH DAKOTA", "TEXAS", "UTAH", "COLORADO", "VERMONT", "NEW JERSEY", "VIRGINIA", "CALIFORNIA", "PENNSYLVANIA", "MONTANA", "WASHINGTON", "OREGON", "HAWAII", "IDAHO", "PUERTO RICO", "MICHIGAN", "FLORIDA", "WYOMING", "GULF OF MEXICO", "NEVADA", "LOUISIANA", "TENNESSEE", "KENTUCKY", "MISSISSIPPI", "ALABAMA", "GEORGIA", "SOUTH CAROLINA", "OHIO", "NEW MEXICO", "ATLANTIC SOUTH", "NEW HAMPSHIRE", "ATLANTIC NORTH", "NORTH DAKOTA", "IOWA", "NEBRASKA", "WEST VIRGINIA", "MARYLAND", "KANSAS", "MISSOURI", "ARKANSAS", "ARIZONA", "MASSACHUSETTS", "MAINE", "CONNECTICUT", "GUAM", "HAWAII WATERS", "AMERICAN SAMOA", "LAKE HURON", "DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA", "RHODE ISLAND", "LAKE MICHIGAN", "LAKE SUPERIOR", "LAKE ST CLAIR", "LAKE ERIE", "LAKE ONTARIO", "E PACIFIC", "GULF OF ALASKA"]
30000	["TEXAS", "NEBRASKA", "IOWA", "MINNESOTA", "WISCONSIN"]
4000000	["CALIFORNIA", "KENTUCKY", "NORTH DAKOTA", "WISCONSIN", "VIRGINIA"]
3000000	["CALIFORNIA", "ILLINOIS", "MISSOURI", "SOUTH CAROLINA", "NORTH CAROLINA", "MISSISSIPPI", "NORTH DAKOTA", "OHIO"]
14000000	["CALIFORNIA", "NORTH DAKOTA"]
400000	["CALIFORNIA", "MISSOURI", "MISSISSIPPI", "NEBRASKA", "WISCONSIN", "NORTH DAKOTA"]
50000	["CALIFORNIA", "GEORGIA", "NEBRASKA", "TEXAS", "WEST VIRGINIA", "KANSAS", "MISSOURI", "MISSISSIPPI", "NEW MEXICO", "IOWA", "NORTH DAKOTA", "OHIO", "WISCONSIN", "ILLINOIS", "MINNESOTA", "KENTUCKY"]
18000	["WASHINGTON", "WISCONSIN"]
107900000	["CALIFORNIA"]
28900000	["CALIFORNIA"]

## Set from array column

The following example shows the set of elements in an array.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
datatable (Val: int, Arr1: dynamic)
[
    1, dynamic(['A1', 'A2', 'A3']),
    5, dynamic(['A2', 'C1']),
    7, dynamic(['C2', 'A3']),
    5, dynamic(['C2', 'A1'])
]
| summarize Val_set=make_set(Val), Arr1_set=make_set(Arr1)
```

Val_set	Arr1_set
[1,5,7]	["A1", "A2", "A3", "C1", "C2"]

## See also

- Use mv-expand operator for the opposite function.
- make\_set\_if operator is similar to `make_set`, except it also accepts a predicate.

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# make\_set\_if() (aggregation function)

Article • 01/26/2023

Creates a `dynamic` array of the set of distinct values that `expr` takes in records for which `predicate` evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
make_set_if(expr, predicate [, maxSize])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<code>predicate</code>	string	✓	A predicate that has to evaluate to <code>true</code> in order for <code>expr</code> to be added to the result.
<code>maxSize</code>	int		The maximum number of elements returned. The default and max value is 1048576.

## Returns

Returns a `dynamic` array of the set of distinct values that `expr` takes in records for which `predicate` evaluates to `true`. The array's sort order is undefined.

## 💡 Tip

To only count the distinct values, use `dcountif()`.

## See also

[make\\_set](#) function, which does the same, without predicate expression.

# Example

The following example shows a list of names with more than 4 letters.

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
let T = datatable(name:string, day_of_birth:long)
[
    "John", 9,
    "Paul", 18,
    "George", 25,
    "Ringo", 7
];
T
| summarize make_set_if(name, strlen(name) > 4)
```

## Output

**set\_name**

["George", "Ringo"]

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# max() (aggregation function)

Article • 01/26/2023

Finds the maximum value the expression in the group.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
max(expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.

## Returns

Returns the maximum value of `expr` across the group.

## 💡 Tip

This gives you the max on its own. If you want to see other columns in addition to the max, use `arg_max`.

## Example

This example returns the last record in a table.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents  
| summarize LatestEvent=max(StartTime)
```

## Output

### LatestEvent

2007-12-31T23:53:00Z

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# maxif() (aggregation function)

Article • 03/12/2023

Calculates the maximum value of *expr* in records for which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

See also - `max()` function, which returns the maximum value across the group without predicate expression.

## Syntax

```
maxif(expr, predicate)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<i>predicate</i>	string	✓	The expression used to filter rows.

## Returns

Returns the maximum value of *expr* in records for which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## Example

This example shows the maximum damage for events with no casualties.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| extend Damage=DamageCrops + DamageProperty, Deaths=DeathsDirect +
  DeathsIndirect
| summarize MaxDamageNoCasualties=maxif(Damage, Deaths == 0) by State
```

## Output

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

State	MaxDamageNoCasualties
TEXAS	25000000
KANSAS	37500000
IOWA	15000000
ILLINOIS	5000000
MISSOURI	500005000
GEORGIA	344000000
MINNESOTA	38390000
WISCONSIN	45000000
NEBRASKA	4000000
NEW YORK	26000000
...	...

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# min() (aggregation function)

Article • 03/15/2023

Finds the minimum value across the group.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
min (expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression used for the minimum value aggregation calculation.

## Returns

Returns the minimum value of `expr` across the group.

## 💡 Tip

This gives you the min on its own. If you want to see other columns in addition to the min, use `arg_min`.

## Example

This example returns the first record in a table.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents  
| summarize FirstEvent=min(StartTime)
```

## Output

**FirstEvent**

2007-01-01T00:00:00Z

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# minif() (aggregation function)

Article • 03/12/2023

Returns the minimum of *Expr* in records for which *Predicate* evaluates to `true`.

- Can be used only in context of aggregation inside `summarize`

See also - `min()` function, which returns the minimum value across the group without predicate expression.

## Syntax

```
minif (Expr, Predicate)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>Expr</i>	string	✓	Expression that will be used for aggregation calculation.
<i>Predicate</i>	string	✓	Expression that will be used to filter rows.

## Returns

The minimum value of *Expr* in records for which *Predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## Example

This example shows the minimum damage for events with casualties (Except 0)

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| extend Damage=DamageCrops+DamageProperty,
Deaths=DeathsDirect+DeathsIndirect
| summarize MinDamageWithCasualties=minif(Damage,(Deaths >0) and (Damage >0)) by State
| where MinDamageWithCasualties >0 and isnotnull(MinDamageWithCasualties)
```

## Output

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

State	MinDamageWithCasualties
TEXAS	8000
KANSAS	5000
IOWA	45000
ILLINOIS	100000
MISSOURI	10000
GEORGIA	500000
MINNESOTA	200000
WISCONSIN	10000
NEW YORK	25000
NORTH CAROLINA	15000
...	...

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`percentile()`, `percentiles()` (aggregation function)

Article • 03/20/2023

The `percentile()` function calculates an estimate for the specified nearest-rank percentile of the population defined by `expr`. The accuracy depends on the density of population in the region of the percentile.

`percentiles()` works similarly to `percentile()`. However, `percentiles()` can calculate multiple percentile values at once, which is more efficient than calculating each percentile value separately.

To calculate weighted percentiles, see `percentilesw()`.

### ! Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

`percentile(expr, percentile)`

```
percentiles(expr, percentiles)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression to use for aggregation calculation.
<code>percentile</code>	int or long	✓	A constant that specifies the percentile.
<code>percentiles</code>	int or long	✓	One or more comma-separated percentiles.

## Returns

Returns a table with the estimates for *expr* of the specified percentiles in the group, each in a separate column.

## ! Note

To return the percentiles in a single column, see [Return percentiles as an array](#).

## Examples

## Calculate single percentile

The following example shows the value of `DamageProperty` being larger than 95% of the sample set and smaller than 5% of the sample set.

Run the query

Kusto

```
StormEvents | summarize percentile(DamageProperty, 95) by State
```

## Output

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

**State** percentile\_DamageProperty\_95

<b>State</b>	<b>percentile_DamageProperty_95</b>
ATLANTIC SOUTH	0
FLORIDA	40000
GEORGIA	143333
MISSISSIPPI	80000
AMERICAN SAMOA	250000
KENTUCKY	35000
OHIO	150000
KANSAS	51392
MICHIGAN	49167
ALABAMA	50000

## Calculate multiple percentiles

The following example shows the value of `DamageProperty` simultaneously calculated using 5, 50 (median) and 95.

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
StormEvents | summarize percentiles(DamageProperty, 5, 50, 95) by State
```

### Output

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

<b>State</b>	<b>percentile_DamageProperty_5</b>	<b>percentile_DamageProperty_50</b>	<b>percentile_DamageProperty_95</b>
ATLANTIC SOUTH	0	0	0
FLORIDA	0	0	40000
GEORGIA	0	0	143333
MISSISSIPPI	0	0	80000
AMERICAN SAMOA	0	0	250000
KENTUCKY	0	0	35000
OHIO	0	2000	150000
KANSAS	0	0	51392
MICHIGAN	0	0	49167
ALABAMA	0	0	50000
...	...		

## Return percentiles as an array

Instead of returning the values in individual columns, use the `percentiles_array()` function to return the percentiles in a single column of dynamic array type.

### Syntax

```
percentiles_array(expr, percentiles)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
expr	string	✓	The expression to use for aggregation calculation.
percentiles	int, long, or dynamic	✓	One or more comma-separated percentiles or a dynamic array of percentiles. Each percentile can be an integer or long value.

## Returns

Returns an estimate for `expr` of the specified percentiles in the group as a single column of dynamic array type.

## Examples

### Comma-separated percentiles

Multiple percentiles can be obtained as an array in a single dynamic column, instead of in multiple columns as with `percentiles()`.

Run the query

```
Kusto
TransformedSensorsData
| summarize percentiles_array(Value, 5, 25, 50, 75, 95), avg(Value) by SensorName
```

### Output

The results table displays only the first 10 rows.

SensorName	percentiles_Value	avg_Value
sensor-82	["0.048141473520867069","0.24407515500271132","0.48974511106780577","0.74160998970950343","0.94587903204190071"]	0.493950914
sensor-130	["0.049200214398937764","0.25735850440187535","0.51206374010048239","0.74182335059053839","0.95210342463616771"]	0.505111463
sensor-56	["0.04857779335488676","0.24709868149337144","0.49668762923789589","0.74458470404241883","0.94889104840865857"]	0.497955018
sensor-24	["0.051507199150534679","0.24803904945640423","0.50397070213183581","0.75653888126010793","0.9518782718727431"]	0.501084379
sensor-47	["0.045991246974755672","0.24644331118208851","0.48089197707088743","0.74475142784472248","0.9518322864959039"]	0.49386228
sensor-135	["0.05132897529660399","0.24204987641954018","0.48470113942206461","0.74275730068433621","0.94784079559229406"]	0.494817619
sensor-74	["0.048914714739047828","0.25160926036445724","0.49832498850160978","0.75257887767110776","0.94932261924236094"]	0.501627252
sensor-173	["0.048333149363009836","0.26084250046756496","0.51288012531934613","0.74964772791583412","0.95156058795294"]	0.505401226
sensor-28	["0.048511161184567046","0.2547387968731824","0.50101318228599656","0.75693845702682039","0.95243122486483989"]	0.502066244
sensor-34	["0.049980293859462954","0.25094722564949412","0.50914023067384762","0.75571549713447961","0.95176564809278674"]	0.504309494
...	...	...

### Dynamic array of percentiles

Percentiles for `percentiles_array` can be specified in a dynamic array of integer or floating-point numbers. The array must be constant but doesn't have to be literal.

Run the query

```
Kusto
TransformedSensorsData
| summarize percentiles_array(Value, dynamic([5, 25, 50, 75, 95])), avg(Value) by SensorName
```

## Output

The results table displays only the first 10 rows.

SensorName	percentiles_Value	avg_Value
sensor-82	["0.048141473520867069","0.24407515500271132","0.48974511106780577","0.74160998970950343","0.94587903204190071"]	0.493950914
sensor-130	["0.049200214398937764","0.25735850440187535","0.51206374010048239","0.74182335059053839","0.95210342463616771"]	0.505111463
sensor-56	["0.04857779335488676","0.24709868149337144","0.49668762923789589","0.74458470404241883","0.94889104840865857"]	0.497955018
sensor-24	["0.051507199150534679","0.24803904945640423","0.50397070213183581","0.75653888126010793","0.9518782718727431"]	0.501084379
sensor-47	["0.045991246974755672","0.2464433118208851","0.48089197707088743","0.74475142784472248","0.9518322864959039"]	0.49386228
sensor-135	["0.05132897529660399","0.24204987641954018","0.48470113942206461","0.74275730068433621","0.94784079559229406"]	0.494817619
sensor-74	["0.048914714739047828","0.25160926036445724","0.49832498850160978","0.75257887767110776","0.94932261924236094"]	0.501627252
sensor-173	["0.048333149363009836","0.26084250046756496","0.51288012531934613","0.74964772791583412","0.95156058795294"]	0.505401226
sensor-28	["0.048511161184567046","0.2547387968731824","0.50101318228599656","0.75693845702682039","0.95243122486483989"]	0.502066244
sensor-34	["0.049980293859462954","0.25094722564949412","0.50914023067384762","0.75571549713447961","0.95176564809278674"]	0.504309494
...	...	...

## Nearest-rank percentile

$P$ -th percentile ( $0 < P \leq 100$ ) of a list of ordered values, sorted in ascending order, is the smallest value in the list. The  $P$  percent of the data is less or equal to  $P$ -th percentile value (from Wikipedia article on percentiles [↗](#)).

Define 0-th percentiles to be the smallest member of the population.

### ⓘ Note

Given the approximating nature of the calculation, the actual returned value may not be a member of the population. Nearest-rank definition means that  $P=50$  does not conform to the interpolative definition of the median [↗](#). When evaluating the significance of this discrepancy for the specific application, the size of the population and an estimation error should be taken into account.

## Estimation error in percentiles

The percentiles aggregate provides an approximate value using T-Digest [↗](#).

### ⓘ Note

- The bounds on the estimation error vary with the value of the requested percentile. The best accuracy is at both ends of the [0..100] scale. Percentiles 0 and 100 are the exact minimum and maximum values of the distribution. The accuracy gradually decreases towards the middle of the scale. It's worst at the median and is capped at 1%.
- Error bounds are observed on the rank, not on the value. Suppose percentile(X, 50) returned a value of Xm. The estimate guarantees that at least 49% and at most 51% of the values of X are less or equal to Xm. There is no theoretical limit on the difference between Xm and the actual median value of X.
- The estimation may sometimes result in a precise value but there are no reliable conditions to define when it will be the case.

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# percentilew(), percentilesw() (aggregation function)

Article • 03/20/2023

The `percentilew()` function calculates a weighted estimate for the specified nearest-rank percentile of the population defined by `expr`. `percentilesw()` works similarly to `percentilew()`. However, `percentilesw()` can calculate multiple weighted percentile values at once, which is more efficient than calculating each weighted percentile value separately.

Weighted percentiles calculate percentiles in a dataset by giving each value in the input dataset a weight. In this method, each value is considered to be repeated a number of times equal to its weight, which is then used to calculate the percentile. By giving more importance to certain values, weighted percentiles provide a way to calculate percentiles in a "weighted" manner.

To calculate unweighted percentiles, see `percentiles()`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
percentilew(expr, weightExpr, percentile)
```

```
percentilesw(expr, weightExpr, percentiles)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression to use for aggregation calculation.
<code>percentile</code>	int or long	✓	A constant that specifies the percentile.
<code>percentiles</code>	int or long	✓	One or more comma-separated percentiles.
<code>weightExpr</code>	long	✓	The weight to give each value.

# Returns

Returns a table with the estimates for *expr* of the specified percentiles in the group, each in a separate column.

## ⓘ Note

To return the percentiles in a single column, see [Return percentiles as an array](#).

# Examples

## Calculate weighted percentiles

Assume you repetitively measure the time (Duration) it takes an action to complete. Instead of recording every value of the measurement, you record each value of Duration, rounded to 100 msec, and how many times the rounded value appeared (BucketSize).

Use `summarize percentilesw(Duration, BucketSize, ...)` to calculate the given percentiles in a "weighted" way. Treat each value of Duration as if it was repeated BucketSize times in the input, without actually needing to materialize those records.

The following example shows weighted percentiles. Using the following set of latency values in milliseconds: `{ 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 5, 7, 7, 12, 12, 15, 15, 15, 15, 18, 21, 22, 26, 35 }.`

To reduce bandwidth and storage, do pre-aggregation to the following buckets: `{ 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 100 }`. Count the number of events in each bucket to produce the following table:

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
let latencyTable = datatable (ReqCount:long, LatencyBucket:long)
[
    8, 10,
    6, 20,
    3, 30,
    1, 40
];
latencyTable
```

The table displays:

- Eight events in the 10-ms bucket (corresponding to subset { 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 5, 7, 7 })
- Six events in the 20-ms bucket (corresponding to subset { 12, 12, 15, 15, 15, 18 })
- Three events in the 30-ms bucket (corresponding to subset { 21, 22, 26 })
- One event in the 40-ms bucket (corresponding to subset { 35 })

At this point, the original data is no longer available. Only the number of events in each bucket. To compute percentiles from this data, use the `percentilesw()` function. For the 50, 75, and 99.9 percentiles, use the following query:

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
let latencyTable = datatable (ReqCount:long, LatencyBucket:long)
[
    8, 10,
    6, 20,
    3, 30,
    1, 40
];
latencyTable
| summarize percentilesw(LatencyBucket, ReqCount, 50, 75, 99.9)
```

**Output**

percentile_LatencyBucket_50	percentile_LatencyBucket_75	percentile_LatencyBucket_99_9
20	20	40

## Return percentiles as an array

Instead of returning the values in individual columns, use the `percentilesw_array()` function to return the percentiles in a single column of dynamic array type.

## Syntax

```
percentilesw_array(expr, weightExpr, percentiles)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression to use for aggregation calculation.
<i>percentiles</i>	int, long, or dynamic	✓	One or more comma-separated percentiles or a dynamic array of percentiles. Each percentile can be an integer or long value.
<i>weightExpr</i>	long	✓	The weight to give each value.

## Returns

Returns an estimate for *expr* of the specified percentiles in the group as a single column of dynamic array type.

## Examples

### Comma-separated percentiles

[Run the query](#)

```
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let latencyTable = datatable (ReqCount:long, LatencyBucket:long)
[
    8, 10,
    6, 20,
    3, 30,
    1, 40
];
latencyTable
| summarize percentilesw_array(LatencyBucket, ReqCount, 50, 75, 99.9)
```

### Output

<b>percentile_LatencyBucket</b>
[20, 20, 40]

### Dynamic array of percentiles

[Run the query](#)

Kusto
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```
let latencyTable = datatable (ReqCount:long, LatencyBucket:long)
[
    8, 10,
    6, 20,
    3, 30,
    1, 40
];
latencyTable
| summarize percentilesw_array(LatencyBucket, ReqCount, dynamic([50, 75, 99.9]))
```

## Output

<b>percentile_LatencyBucket</b>
[20, 20, 40]

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# stdev() (aggregation function)

Article • 02/06/2023

Calculates the standard deviation of *expr* across the group, using Bessel's correction  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \times \sum(X - \bar{X})^2}$  for a small data set that is considered a sample  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \times \sum(X - \bar{X})^2}$ .

For a large data set that is representative of the population, use stdevp() (aggregation function).

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Formula

This function uses the following formula.

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \times \sum(X - \bar{X})^2}$$

## Syntax

```
stdev(expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for the standard deviation aggregation calculation.

## Returns

Returns the standard deviation value of *expr* across the group.

# Example

The following example shows the standard deviation for the group.

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
range x from 1 to 5 step 1  
| summarize make_list(x), stdev(x)
```

## Output

list_x	stdev_x
[ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]	1.58113883008419

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# stdevif() (aggregation function)

Article • 01/31/2023

Calculates the standard deviation of *expr* in records for which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the **summarize operator**.

## Syntax

```
stdevif( expr , predicate )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for the standards deviation aggregation calculation.
<i>predicate</i>	string	✓	The predicate that has to evaluate to <code>true</code> in order for <i>expr</i> to be added to the result.

## Returns

Returns the standard deviation value of *expr* in records for which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## Example

The following example shows the standard deviation in a range of 1 to 100.

**Run the query**

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```
range x from 1 to 100 step 1  
| summarize stdevif(x, x % 2 == 0)
```

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## Output

<b>stdevif_x</b>
29.1547594742265

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# stdevp() (aggregation function)

Article • 02/06/2023

Calculates the standard deviation of *expr* across the group, considering the group as a population<sup>↗</sup> for a large data set that is representative of the population.

For a small data set that is a sample<sup>↗</sup>, use stdev() (aggregation function).

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the **summarize** operator.

## Formula

This function uses the following formula.

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \times \sum(X - \frac{\sum(X)}{N})^2}$$

## Syntax

```
stdevp(expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for the standards deviation aggregation calculation.

## Returns

Returns the standard deviation value of *expr* across the group.

## Example

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
range x from 1 to 5 step 1  
| summarize make_list(x), stdevp(x)
```

## Output

list_x	stdevp_x
[ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]	1.4142135623731

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# sum() (aggregation function)

Article • 02/20/2023

Calculates the sum of *expr* across the group.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the **summarize** operator.

## Syntax

```
sum( expr )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.

## Returns

Returns the sum value of *expr* across the group.

## Example

This example returns the total number of deaths by state.

[Run the query](#)

```
Kusto
```

```
StormEvents
| summarize EventCount=count(), TotalDeathCases = sum(DeathsDirect) by State
| sort by TotalDeathCases
```

## Output

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

State	event_count	TotalDeathCases
TEXAS	4701	71
FLORIDA	1042	57
CALIFORNIA	898	48
ILLINOIS	2022	29
ALABAMA	1315	29
MISSOURI	2016	20
NEW YORK	1750	19
KANSAS	3166	17
GEORGIA	1983	17
TENNESSEE	1125	17
...	...	...

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# sumif() (aggregation function)

Article • 02/20/2023

Calculates the sum of *expr* in records for which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the **summarize** operator.

You can also use the `sum()` function, which sums rows without predicate expression.

## Syntax

```
sumif(expr, predicate)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<i>predicate</i>	string	✓	The expression used to filter rows. If the predicate evaluates to <code>true</code> , the row will be included in the result.

## Returns

Returns the sum of *expr* for which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## Example showing the sum of damages based on no casualty count

This example shows the sum total damage for storms without casualties.

[Run the query](#)

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```
StormEvents
| summarize DamageNoCasualties=sumif((DamageCrops+DamageProperty),
```

```
(DeathsDirect+DeathsIndirect)==0) by State
```

## Output

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

State	DamageNoCasualties
TEXAS	242638700
KANSAS	407360000
IOWA	135353700
ILLINOIS	120394500
MISSOURI	1096077450
GEORGIA	1077448750
MINNESOTA	230407300
WISCONSIN	241550000
NEBRASKA	70356050
NEW YORK	58054000
...	...

## Example showing the sum of birth dates

This example shows the sum of the birth dates for all names that have more than 4 letters.

```
Kusto
```

```
let T = datatable(name:string, day_of_birth:long)
[
    "John", 9,
    "Paul", 18,
    "George", 25,
    "Ringo", 7
];
T
| summarize sumif(day_of_birth, strlen(name) > 4)
```

## Output

**sumif\_day\_of\_birth**

32

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# take\_any() (aggregation function)

Article • 02/23/2023

Arbitrarily chooses one record for each group in a summarize operator, and returns the value of one or more expressions over each such record.

**Deprecated aliases:** any()

## ⓘ Note

The deprecated version adds `any_` prefix to the columns returned by the `any()` aggregation.

## Syntax

```
take_any(expr_1 [, expr_2 ...])
```

```
take_any(*)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr_N</code>	string	✓	The expression used for selecting a record. If the wildcard value (*) is given in place of an expression, all records will be selected.

## Returns

The `take_any` aggregation function returns the values of the expressions calculated for each of the records selected indeterministically from each group of the summarize operator.

If the `*` argument is provided, the function behaves as if the expressions are all columns of the input to the summarize operator barring the group-by columns, if any.

## Remarks

This function is useful when you want to get a sample value of one or more columns per value of the compound group key.

When the function is provided with a single column reference, it will attempt to return a non-null/non-empty value, if such value is present.

As a result of the indeterministic nature of this function, using this function multiple times in a single application of the `summarize` operator isn't equivalent to using this function a single time with multiple expressions. The former may have each application select a different record, while the latter guarantees that all values are calculated over a single record (per distinct group).

## Examples

Show indeterministic State:

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
StormEvents  
| summarize take_any(State)
```

### Output

**State**

ATLANTIC SOUTH

Show all the details for a random record:

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
StormEvents  
| project StartTime, EpisodeId, State, EventType  
| summarize take_any(*)
```

### Output

**StartTime**

**EpisodeId**

**State**

**EventType**

StartTime	EpisodeId	State	EventType
2007-09-29 08:11:00.0000000	11091	ATLANTIC SOUTH	Waterspout

Show all the details of a random record for each State starting with 'A':

**Run the query**

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| where State startswith "A"
| project StartTime, EpisodeId, State, EventType
| summarize take_any(*) by State
```

## Output

State	StartTime	EpisodeId	EventType
ALASKA	2007-02-01 00:00:00.0000000	1733	Flood
ATLANTIC SOUTH	2007-09-29 08:11:00.0000000	11091	Waterspout
ATLANTIC NORTH	2007-11-27 00:00:00.0000000	11523	Marine Thunderstorm Wind
ARIZONA	2007-12-01 10:40:00.0000000	11955	Flash Flood
AMERICAN SAMOA	2007-12-07 14:00:00.0000000	13183	Flash Flood
ARKANSAS	2007-12-09 16:00:00.0000000	11319	Lightning
ALABAMA	2007-12-15 18:00:00.0000000	12580	Heavy Rain

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# take\_anyif() (aggregation function)

Article • 02/20/2023

Arbitrarily selects one record for each group in a summarize operator in records for which the *predicate* is 'true'. The function returns the value of an expression over each such record.

This function is useful when you want to get a sample value of one column per value of the compound group key, subject to some predicate that is *true*. If such a value is present, the function attempts to return a non-null/non-empty value.

Deprecated aliases: anyif()

## ⓘ Note

The deprecated version adds `any_` prefix to the columns returned by the `any()` aggregation.

## Syntax

```
take_anyif( expr , predicate )
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression used for selecting a record.
<i>predicate</i>	string	✓	Indicates which records may be considered for evaluation.

## Returns

The `take_anyif` aggregation function returns the value of the expression calculated for each of the records randomly selected from each group of the summarize operator. Only records for which *predicate* returns 'true' may be selected. If the predicate doesn't return 'true', a null value is produced.

# Examples

Pick a random EventType from Storm events, where event description has a key phrase.

[Run the query](#)

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StormEvents

```
| summarize take_anyif(EventType, EventNarrative has 'strong wind')
```

## Output

EventType
Strong Wind

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# tdigest() (aggregation function)

Article • 06/12/2023

Calculates the intermediate results of percentiles() across the group.

## ⚠ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

For more information, see the underlying algorithm (T-Digest) and the estimated error.

## ⓘ Important

The results of `tdigest()` and `tdigest_merge()` can be stored and later retrieved. For example, you may want to create daily percentiles summary, which can then be used to calculate weekly percentiles. However, the precise binary representation of these results may change over time. There's no guarantee that these functions will produce identical results for identical inputs, and therefore we don't advise relying on them.

## Syntax

```
tdigest(expr [, weight])
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.
<code>weight</code>	string		The weights of the values for the aggregation calculation.

## Returns

The Intermediate results of weighted percentiles of `*expr*` across the group.

## 💡 Tip

- Use the aggregation function `tdigest_merge()` to merge the output of `tdigest` again across another group.
- Use the function `percentile_tdigest()` to calculate the percentile/percentilew of the `tdigest` results.

## Examples

This example shows the results of the `tdigest` percentiles sorted by state.

[Run the query](#)

Kusto

```
StormEvents  
| summarize tdigest(DamageProperty) by State
```

The results table shown includes only the first 10 rows.

State	tdigest_DamageProperty
NEBRASKA	[{[7],[800,250,300000,5000,240000,1500000,20000,550000,0,75000,100000,1000,10000,30000,13000,200000,1000000,650000,125000,35000,7000,250]}]
MINNESOTA	[{[7],[700,500,2000000,2500,1200000,12000000,16000,7000000,0,300000,425000,750,6000,30000,10000,2200000,10000000,9600000,600000,50000,400]}]

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# tdigest\_merge() (aggregation functions)

Article • 06/12/2023

Merges tdigest results across the group.

## ① Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

For more information about the underlying algorithm (T-Digest) and the estimated error, see estimation error in percentiles.

The `tdigest_merge()` and `merge_tdigest()` functions are equivalent

## ① Important

The results of `tdigest()` and `tdigest_merge()` can be stored and later retrieved. For example, you may want to create daily percentiles summary, which can then be used to calculate weekly percentiles. However, the precise binary representation of these results may change over time. There's no guarantee that these functions will produce identical results for identical inputs, and therefore we don't advise relying on them.

## Syntax

```
tdigest_merge(expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<code>expr</code>	string	✓	The expression used for the aggregation calculation.

## Returns

Returns the merged tdigest values of `expr` across the group.

## ① Note

- Use the function `percentile_tdigest()` to calculate the percentiles from the `tdigest_merge` results.
- All tdigests that are included in the same group must be of the same type.

## Example

Run the query

Kusto

```
StormEvents
| summarize PreAggDamageProperty=tdigest(DamageProperty) by State
| summarize tdigest_merge(PreAggDamageProperty)
```

## Output

`merge_tdigests_PreAggDamageProperty`

```
[[7],  
[91,30,73667,966,11000000,24428,2500,20000,16500000,6292,40000,123208,1000000,133091,90583,20000000,977000,20007,547000,19000000,1221,9600000,300000,  
[19,1,3,32,1,14,45,572,1,51,126,41,101,11,12,8,2,14,4,1,27,1,58,42,20,177,6,4,1,12,10,2,9,1,5,1,2,28,3,6,1,23,4,30,610,145,1,21,4,2,1,1,24,13,1,153,5,4,26,5,1,6,1,1,28,1,5,1,11,4]]
```

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# variance() (aggregation function)

Article • 03/02/2023

Calculates the variance of *expr* across the group, considering the group as a sample<sup>↗</sup>.

The following formula is used:

$$\frac{1}{n - 1} \times \sum(X - \frac{\sum(X)}{n})^2$$

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the **summarize** operator.

## Syntax

```
variance(expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	real	✓	The expression used for the variance calculation.

## Returns

Returns the variance value of *expr* across the group.

## Example

Run the query

Kusto

```
range x from 1 to 5 step 1
| summarize make_list(x), variance(x)
```

## Output

list_x	variance_x
[ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]	2.5

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# varianceif() (aggregation function)

Article • 02/20/2023

Calculates the variance of *expr* in records for which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the `summarize` operator.

## Syntax

```
varianceif(expr, predicate)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression to use for the variance calculation.
<i>predicate</i>	string	✓	If <i>predicate</i> evaluates to <code>true</code> , the <i>expr</i> calculated value will be added to the variance.

## Returns

Returns the variance value of *expr* in records for which *predicate* evaluates to `true`.

## Example

Run the query

Kusto

```
range x from 1 to 100 step 1  
| summarize varianceif(x, x%2 == 0)
```

## Output

```
varianceif_x
```

**varianceif\_x**

850

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# variancep() (aggregation function)

Article • 03/02/2023

Calculates the variance of *expr* across the group, considering the group as a population ↗.

The following formula is used:

$$\frac{1}{N} \times \sum(X - \frac{\sum(X)}{N})^2$$

## ⓘ Note

This function is used in conjunction with the **summarize** operator.

## Syntax

```
variancep(expr)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Required	Description
<i>expr</i>	string	✓	The expression to use for the variance calculation.

## Returns

Returns the variance value of *expr* across the group.

## Example

Run the query

Kusto

```
range x from 1 to 5 step 1  
| summarize make_list(x), variancep(x)
```

## Output

list_x	variance_x
[ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]	2

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