Combining columns

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Combining columns (an example)

Concatenation

name	boro	building		zip_code	
		 	+ 	+ 	+
DARBAR'S CHICKEN & RIBS	Queens	12609	LIBERTY AVE	11419	l
F & J PINE RESTAURANT	Bronx	1913	BRONXDALE AVENUE	10462	l
EL RINCONCITO DE LOS SABORES	Queens	13933	89TH AVE	11435	
DON NICO'S	Queens	9014	161ST ST	11432	
ASTORIA PIZZA	Queens	3204B	30TH AVE	11102	
•••	l	l	l	l	l

Restaurant Name Street Address Boro, NY Zipcode



- CONCAT(string1 [, string2, string3, ...])
- CONCAT('data', 'cleaning', 'is', 'fun') → datacleaningisfun
- CONCAT('data', ' ', 'cleaning', ' ', 'is', ' ', 'fun') → data cleaning is fun



```
SELECT
  CONCAT(
        name, E'\n',
        building, ' ', street, E'\n',
        boro, ', NY ', zip_code
) AS mailing_address
FROM
  restaurant_inspection;
```

```
mailing_address
DARBAR'S CHICKEN & RIBS
12609 LIBERTY AVE
Queens, NY 11419
F & J PINE RESTAURANT
1913 BRONXDALE AVENUE
Bronx, NY 10462
EL RINCONCITO DE LOS SABORES+
13933 89TH AVE
Queens, NY 11435
DON NICO'S
9014 161ST ST
Queens, NY 11432
ASTORIA PIZZA
3204B 30TH AVE
Queens, NY 11102
```

name		building		zip_code	
		 	+ 	 	
IRVING FARMS	Queens		CENTRAL TERMINAL BUILDING	11371	
DON PEPIS DELICATESSEN	Manhattan		AMTRAK LEVEL	10001	
DUNKIN'	Queens		CENTRAL TERMINAL BLDG	11371	
	Queens	17111	JAMAICA AVE	11432	
	Brooklyn	1489	FULTON STREET	11216	l
•••	l	· · · ·			

```
SELECT
CONCAT(
    name, E'\n',
    building, ' ', street, E'\n',
    boro, ', NY ', zip_code
) AS mailing_address
FROM
  restaurant_inspection;
```

```
mailing_address
IRVING FARMS
 CENTRAL TERMINAL BUILDING+
Queens, NY 11371
DON PEPIS DELICATESSEN
 AMTRAK LEVEL
Manhattan, NY 10001
DUNKIN'
 CENTRAL TERMINAL BLDG
Queens, NY 11371
17111 JAMAICA AVE
Queens, NY 11432
1489 FULTON STREET
Brooklyn, NY 11216
```

Joining values with |

• string1 || string2 [|| string3 || ...]

```
SELECT 'data' || ' ' || 'cleaning' || ' ' || 'is' || ' ' || 'fun';
```

```
data cleaning is fun
```

NULL valued arguments → NULL value

```
SELECT
  name || E'\n' ||
  building || ' ' || street || E'\n'
  || boro || ', NY ' || zip_code AS mailing_address
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
```



Joining values with |

```
mailing_address
name
SCHNIPPERS
              SCHNIPPERS
               | 570 LEXINGTON AVENUE +
               Manhattan, NY 10022
ATOMIC WINGS
WING LING
         | WING LING
               | 159B EAST 170 STREET+
               | Bronx, NY 10452
JUAN VALDEZ CAFE | JUAN VALDEZ CAFE
               | Manhattan, NY 10022
              | FULTON GRAND
FULTON GRAND
               | 1011 FULTON STREET +
               | Brooklyn, NY 11238
```



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Splitting column data

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Splitting columns

Finding substring starting position with STRPOS()

STRPOS(source_string, search_string)



SELECT

STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', '');

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Finding substring starting position with STRPOS()



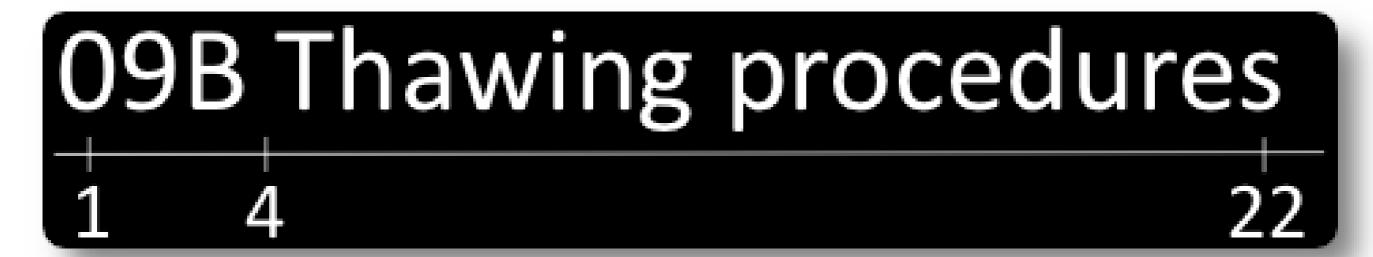
SELECT

STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', '?');

(



Finding substring starting position with STRPOS()



```
SELECT
STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', ' ');
```



Extracting a substring using SUBSTRING()

SUBSTRING(source_string FROM start_pos FOR num_chars)



Extracting a substring using SUBSTRING()

```
SUBSTRING('Homerun' FROM 1 FOR 4) → Home
```

```
09B Thawing procedures
```

```
SELECT
SUBSTRING(
    '09B Thawing procedures'
FROM 1
FOR STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', ' ') - 1
);
```

09B



Extracting a substring using SUBSTRING()



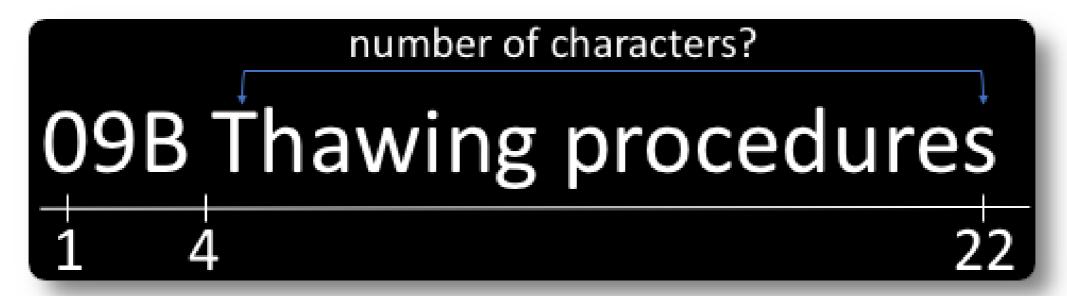
Requirements:

- Violation description start position
- Number of characters in the description

```
SELECT
STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', ' ') + 1;
```

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Calculating the length of a string with LENGTH()



LENGTH(string) → INTEGER

SELECT LENGTH('hello')

Ę



Calculating the length of a string with LENGTH()

```
LENGTH('09B Thawing procedures') \Rightarrow 22 
STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', ' ') \Rightarrow 4 
LENGTH('09B Thawing procedures') - STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', ' ') \Rightarrow 18 
LENGTH('Thawing procedures') \Rightarrow 18
```

Calculating the length of a string with LENGTH()

```
SELECT
  LENGTH('09B Thawing procedures') -
  STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', ' ');
```

18





Putting the pieces together

```
SELECT
    SUBSTRING(
      '09B Thawing procedures'
      FROM
        STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', '')
        + 1
      FOR
        LENGTH('09B Thawing procedures')
        - STRPOS('09B Thawing procedures', ' ')
    );
```

Thawing procedures

Splitting the violation column

```
SELECT
    camis,
    inspection_date,
    SUBSTRING(
      violation
     FROM 1
      FOR STRPOS(violation, ' ') - 1
    ) AS violation_code,
    SUBSTRING(
     violation
      FROM STRPOS(violation, ' ') + 1
      FOR LENGTH(violation) - STRPOS(violation, ' ')
    ) AS violation_description
FROM
    restaurant_inspection;
```



Splitting the violation column

Splitting the violation column

```
violation_description
camis
50038736
         03/29/2018
                                       | Thawing procedures
                         09B
       12/18/2019
50033304
                         02B
                                       | Hot food item not held at or above 140° ... | ...
50081658
         12/13/2018
                        1 06F
                                       | Wiping cloths soiled or not stored in sa... | ...
                                       | Plumbing not properly installed or maint... | ...
50033733
         02/12/2019
                        10B
40559634 | 08/22/2017
                        04N
                                       | Filth flies or food/refuse/sewage-associ... | ...
```

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Splitting data with delimiters

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Splitting data into columns

```
        camis
        name
        inspection_type
        ...

        ...
        | ...
        | ...
        | ...

        50084922 | JUICE POINT
        | Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection
        | ...

        50075375 | ATOMIC WINGS
        | Administrative Miscellaneous / Re-inspection | ...

        50048685 | KENNEDY FRIED CHICKEN | Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection | ...

        50058910 | HUNGER PANG
        | Pre-permit (Operational) / Re-inspection | ...

        50047834 | SUBWAY
        | Smoke-Free Air Act / Re-inspection | ...

        ...
        | ...
```

Value delimiter: ' / '

Splitting data into columns

```
      camis
      name
      inspection_type
      ...

      ...
      | ...
      | ...

      50084922 | JUICE POINT
      | Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection
      | ...

      50075375 | ATOMIC WINGS
      | Administrative Miscellaneous / Re-inspection | ...

      50048685 | KENNEDY FRIED CHICKEN | Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection | ...
      | ...

      50058910 | HUNGER PANG
      | Pre-permit (Operational) / Re-inspection | ...

      50047834 | SUBWAY
      | Smoke-Free Air Act / Re-inspection | ...

      ...
      | ...
```

camis	name	main_inspection_type	sub_inspection_type	
	+ 	+ 		
	JUICE POINT	Cycle Inspection	Re-inspection	
50075375	ATOMIC WINGS	Administrative Miscellaneous	Re-inspection	
50048685	KENNEDY FRIED CHICKEN	Cycle Inspection	Re-inspection	
50058910	HUNGER PANG	Pre-permit (Operational)	Re-inspection	
50047834	SUBWAY	Smoke-Free Air Act	Re-inspection	
	l	l		

Splitting strings using SPLIT_PART()

SPLIT_PART(source_string, delimiter_string, part_number)

```
SELECT
SPLIT_PART('Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection', ' / ', 1);
```

Cycle Inspection

```
SELECT
SPLIT_PART('Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection', ' / ', 2);
```

Re-inspection



Splitting strings using SPLIT_PART()

```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  SPLIT_PART(inspection_type, ' / ', 1) AS main_inspection_type,
  SPLIT_PART(inspection_type, ' / ', 2) AS sub_inspection_type
FROM
  restaurant_inspection;
```

camis	name	main_inspection_type	sub_inspection_type	ļ
		+ 	+ 	+
50084922	JUICE POINT	Cycle Inspection	Re-inspection	l
50075375	ATOMIC WINGS	Administrative Miscellaneous	Re-inspection	l
50048685	KENNEDY FRIED CHICKEN	Cycle Inspection	Re-inspection	l
50058910	HUNGER PANG	Pre-permit (Operational)	Re-inspection	l
50047834	SUBWAY	Smoke-Free Air Act	Re-inspection	l
	l	l	l	l

Splitting data into rows

```
      camis
      name
      | cuisine_description | ...

      ...
      | ...
      | ...

      50066768
      | FIRST LAMB SHABU | Chinese | ...
      | ...

      41450971
      | GIOVANNI'S RESTAURANT | Pizza | ...
      | ...

      41450971
      | GIOVANNI'S RESTAURANT | Italian | ...
      | ...

      41628459
      | KFC | Chicken | ...
      | ...

      50043003
      | BANGIA | Korean | ...
      | ...

      41418978
      | BAGEL EXPRESS III | Bagels | ...
      | ...

      41418978
      | BAGEL EXPRESS III | Pretzels | ...
      | ...

      ...
      | ...
      | ...
```

Splitting data with REGEXP_SPLIT_TO_TABLE()

REGEXP_SPLIT_TO_TABLE(source, pattern)

```
SELECT REGEXP_SPLIT_TO_TABLE('Pizza/Italian', '/');
```

Pizza Italian

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Splitting data with REGEXP_SPLIT_TO_TABLE()

```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  REGEXP_SPLIT_TO_TABLE(cuisine_description, '/') AS cuisine_description,
  ...
FROM
  restaurant_inspection;
```

```
camis
                                  cuisine_description | ...
                   name
50066768 | FIRST LAMB SHABU
                                  Chinese
41450971 | GIOVANNI'S RESTAURANT | Pizza
41450971
          GIOVANNI'S RESTAURANT |
                                  Italian
41628459 | KFC
                                  Chicken
50043003 | BANGIA
                                  Korean
41418978 | BAGEL EXPRESS III
                                 | Bagels
41418978 | BAGEL EXPRESS III
                                 | Pretzels
```



Enumerating the resulting rows

```
cuisine_num | camis
                                            | cuisine_description | ...
                              name
            41418978
                       BAGEL EXPRESS III
                                         Bagels
           | 41418978 |
                       BAGEL EXPRESS III
                                            | Pretzels
                       GIOVANNI'S RESTAURANT | Pizza
           | 41450971 |
           41450971
                      GIOVANNI'S RESTAURANT | Italian
           | 41628459 | KFC
                                            | Chicken
           | 50043003 | BANGIA
                                            Korean
           | 50066768 | FIRST LAMB SHABU
                                            | Chinese
```

```
ROW_NUMBER() OVER()
```

```
PARTITION BY col1, col2, ...
```



Enumerating the resulting rows

```
SELECT
 ROW_NUMBER() OVER (
    PARTITION BY
     -- group columns for numbering
     camis,
      name
    ORDER BY
     -- set ordering of results
     camis,
      name
 ) AS cuisine_num,
FROM (
  SELECT
   camis,
    name,
    REGEXP_SPLIT_TO_TABLE(cuisine_description, '/')
      AS cuisine_description
FROM
 restaurant_inspection;
```

```
cuisine_num | camis
                                                cuisine_description |
             41418978 | BAGEL EXPRESS III
                                                Bagels
             41418978 | BAGEL EXPRESS III
                                                Pretzels
             41450971 | GIOVANNI'S RESTAURANT |
                                                Pizza
             41450971 | GIOVANNI'S RESTAURANT |
                                                Italian
             41628459 | KFC
                                                Chicken
                                                Korean
             50043003 | BANGIA
             50066768 | FIRST LAMB SHABU
                                                Chinese
```

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Creating pivot tables

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Multiple category records

```
name | inspection_type | grade | ...

... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ...
```

Accessing inspection grades by type

```
SELECT
    inspection_type,
    grade,
    COUNT(*)
FROM
    restaurant_inspection
WHERE
    grade IS NOT NULL
GROUP BY
    inspection_type,
    grade
ORDER BY
    inspection_type,
    grade;
```

Aggregated inspection results by type

inspection_type	grade	
	A	1063
Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection	I A	723
Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection	B	270
Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection	C	93
Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection	Z	29
Cycle Inspection / Reopening Inspection	C	8
Cycle Inspection / Reopening Inspection	P	26
Cycle Inspection / Reopening Inspection	Z	3
Pre-permit (Non-operational) / Initial Inspection	N	4
Pre-permit (Operational) / Initial Inspection	I A	119
Pre-permit (Operational) / Initial Inspection	N	17
Pre-permit (Operational) / Re-inspection	A	79
Pre-permit (Operational) / Re-inspection	B	49
Pre-permit (Operational) / Re-inspection	C	13
Pre-permit (Operational) / Re-inspection	Z	9
Pre-permit (Operational) / Reopening Inspection	C	3
Pre-permit (Operational) / Reopening Inspection	P	3
Pre-permit (Operational) / Reopening Inspection	Z	1



Changing (pivoting) data orientation

```
inspection_type
Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection
Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection
                                                  1063
Pre-permit (Operational) / Reopening Inspection
Cycle Inspection / Reopening Inspection
Pre-permit (Non-operational) / Initial Inspection |
Pre-permit (Operational) / Initial Inspection
Pre-permit (Operational) / Re-inspection
```

The FILTER clause

- Applies an aggregation over a subset of records
- Subset of records determined by accompanying WHERE clause
- Used in the SELECT list of a query



The FILTER clause

- Example: AVG(qty_sold) FILTER (WHERE qty_sold > 1)
- Format: AGG_FUNC(expression) FILTER (WHERE condition)
 - AGG_FUNC() aggregate function

The pivot table query

```
SELECT
    summary_column,
    AGG(agg_column) FILTER (WHERE agg_column = PIVOT_VALUE_1) AS "pivot_column_1",
    AGG(agg_column) FILTER (WHERE agg_column = PIVOT_VALUE_2) AS "pivot_column_2",
    ...
    AGG(agg_column) FILTER (WHERE agg_column = PIVOT_VALUE_N) AS "pivot_column_N"
FROM
    source_table
GROUP BY
    summary_column;
```

The pivot table output

summary_column	pivot_column_1	pivot_column_2	 pivot_column_N
summary_val_1	agg result for PV1	agg result for PV2	agg value for PVN
summary_val_2	agg result for PV1	agg result for PV2	agg value for PVN
•••			•••
summary_val_M	agg result for PV1	agg result for PV2	agg value for PVN

Pivoting restaurant inspection data

```
SELECT
    inspection_type,
    COUNT(grade) FILTER (WHERE grade = 'A') AS "A",
    COUNT(grade) FILTER (WHERE grade = 'B') AS "B",
    COUNT(grade) FILTER (WHERE grade = 'C') AS "C",
    COUNT(grade) FILTER (WHERE grade = 'N') AS "N",
    COUNT(grade) FILTER (WHERE grade = 'P') AS "P",
    COUNT(grade) FILTER (WHERE grade = 'Z') AS "Z"
FROM
    restaurant_inspections
WHERE
    grade IS NOT NULL
GROUP BY
    inspection_type;
```

Pivot table output for inspection data

```
inspection_type
Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection
Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection
                                                  1063
Pre-permit (Operational) / Reopening Inspection
Cycle Inspection / Reopening Inspection
Pre-permit (Non-operational) / Initial Inspection |
Pre-permit (Operational) / Initial Inspection
Pre-permit (Operational) / Re-inspection
```

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Course wrap-up

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Course content

Chapter 1: Data cleaning basics

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Onward!

- Functions for Manipulating Data in PostgreSQL
- Reporting in SQL
- PostgreSQL Summary Stats and Window Functions
- Exploratory Data Analysis in SQL

Congratulations!

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