GROUP BY Clause in SQL

The GROUP BY clause is used in SQL to **group rows** that have the **same values** in specified columns. It is typically used with **aggregate functions** (e.g., COUNT(), SUM(), AVG(), MAX(), MIN()) to perform operations on each group.

Syntax:

```
SELECT column_name, aggregate_function(column_name)
FROM table_name
GROUP BY column_name;
```





To filter groups based on condition, you use the HAVING clause.

SQL GROUPBY clause Having

SELECT customer_id, YEAR (order_date), COUNT (order_id) order_count

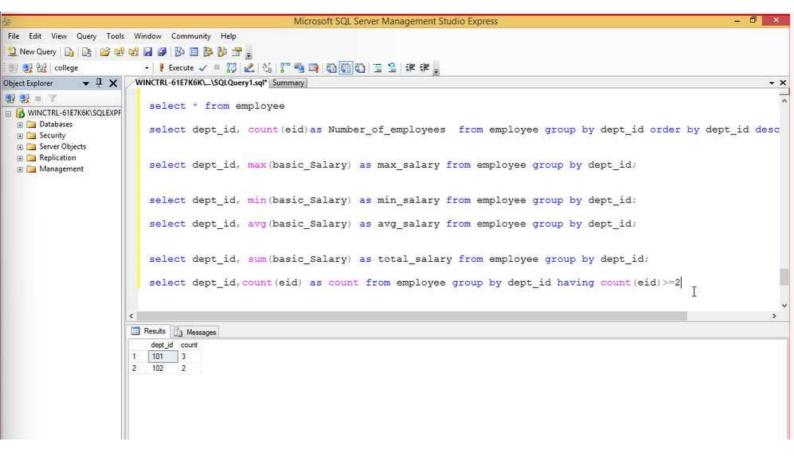
FROM sales.orders

GROUP BY customer_id, YEAR (order_date)

HAVING COUNT (order_id) >= 2

ORDER BY customer_id;

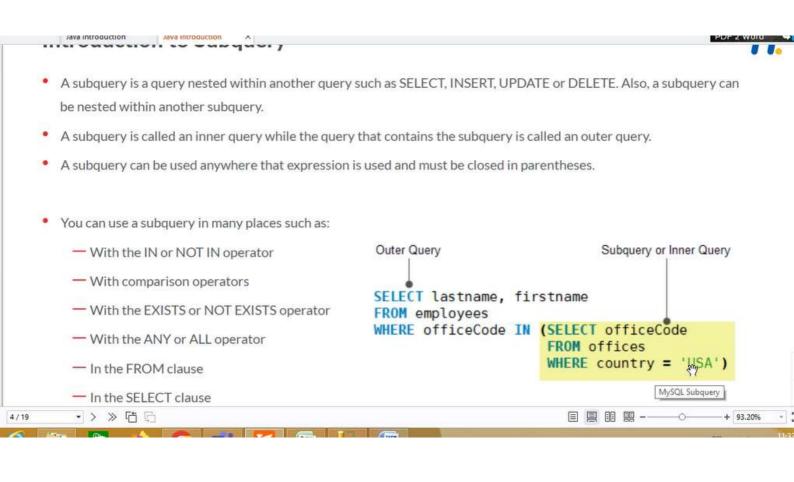
customer_id	order_year	order_count
1	2018	2
2	20157	2
3	2018	3
4	2017	2
5	2016	2
6	2018	2
7	2018	2
9	2018	2
10	2018	2



HAVING vs. WHERE



- The WHERE clause applies the condition to individual rows before the rows are summarized into groups by the GROUP BY clause.
- The HAVING clause applies the condition to the groups after the rows are grouped into groups.
- Therefore, it is important to note that the HAVING clause is applied after whereas the WHERE clause is applied before
 the GROUP BY clause.

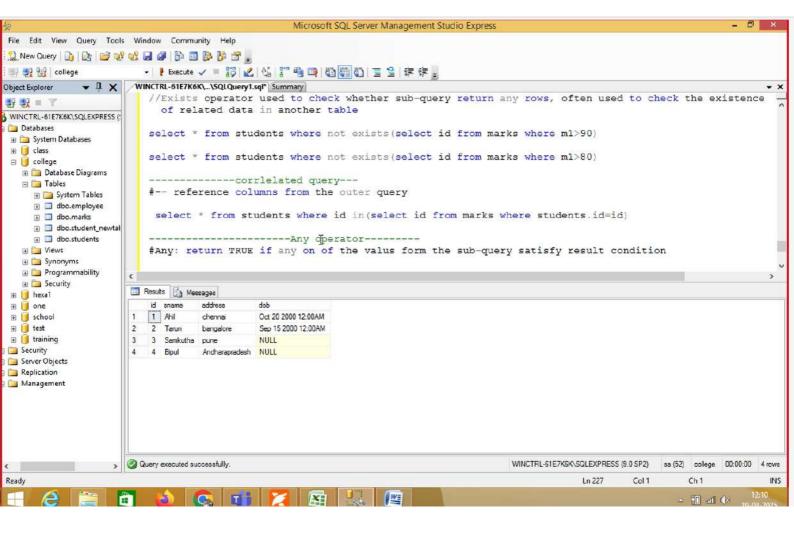






- Subqueries must be enclosed within parentheses.
- A subquery can have only one column in the SELECT clause, unless multiple columns are in the main query for the subquery to compare it:
- An ORDER BY command cannot be used in a subquery, although the main query can use an ORDER BY. The GROUP BY command can be used to perform the same function as the ORDER BY in a subquery.
- Subqueries that return more than one row can only be used with multiple value operators such as the IN operator.
- The SELECT list cannot include any references to values that evaluate to a BLOB, ARRAY, CLOB, or NCLOB.
- A subquery cannot be immediately enclosed in a set function.
- The BETWEEN operator cannot be used with a subquery. However, the BETWEEN operator can be used within the





SQL Subquery with FROM clause



find all employees whose salaries are greater than or equal to the highest salary of every department.

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SQL subquery with the ANY operator
SELECT
AVG(order_count) average_order_count_by_staff
FROM
(
SELECT
staff_id, COUNT(order_id) order_count
FROM sales.orders
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average_order_count_by_staff 269

(m)

) t;

GROUP BY staff_id

The query that you place in the FROM clause must have a table alias. In this example, we used the t as the table alias
for the subquery. To come up with the final result, SQL Server carries the following steps:





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