Hospital SQL Portfolio Assignment

SECTION A: Encounter Trends

Question 1 Total Encounters per Year

Explanation:

This query extracts the year from the encounter start date and counts how many encounters occurred in each year.

SQL Query:

SELECT

YEAR(start) AS year,

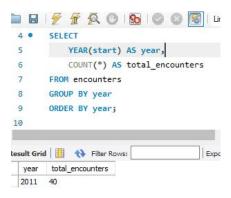
COUNT(*) AS total_encounters

FROM encounters

GROUP BY year

ORDER BY year;

Result:

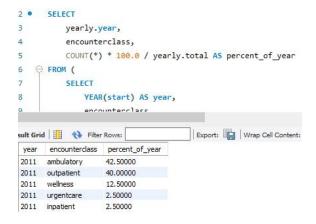


Question 2 Yearly % by Encounter Class

Explanation:

This query shows how the distribution of encounter types (like inpatient, emergency, outpatient) changes over time. It provides insight into which services are more commonly used each year.

```
SELECT
 yearly.year, encounterclass,
 COUNT(*) * 100.0 / yearly.total AS percent_of_year
FROM (
  SELECT YEAR(start) AS year,
   encounterclass
  FROM encounters
) AS derived
JOIN (
  SELECT
    YEAR(start) AS year,
    COUNT(*) AS total
  FROM encounters
 GROUP BY YEAR(start)
) AS yearly ON derived.year = yearly.year
GROUP BY yearly.year, encounterclass
ORDER BY yearly.year, percent_of_year DESC;
Result:
```



Question 3 Duration-Based Classification

Explanation:

This query categorizes encounters into Short or Long stays based on whether they lasted less than 24 hours. It's useful for understanding how often the hospital handles short emergency visits versus extended admissions.

SQL Query:

```
YEAR(start) AS year,

CASE

WHEN TIMESTAMPDIFF(HOUR, start, stop) < 24 THEN 'Short Stay'

ELSE 'Long Stay'

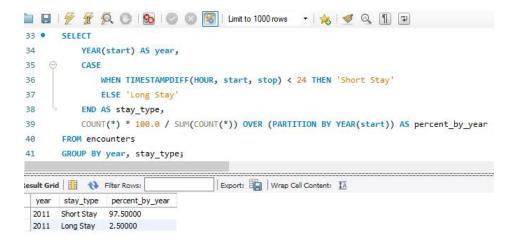
END AS stay_type,

COUNT(*) * 100.0 / SUM(COUNT(*)) OVER (PARTITION BY YEAR(start)) AS percent_by_year

FROM encounters

GROUP BY year, stay_type;
```

Result:



SECTION B: Financial & Coverage Insights

Question 4 Zero Payer Coverage

Explanation:

This identifies the number and percentage of encounters with no payer listed.

```
SQL Query:
```

SELECT

COUNT(*) AS zero_payer_count,

COUNT(*) * 100.0 / (SELECT COUNT(*) FROM encounters) AS percent_zero

FROM encounters

WHERE payer IS NULL OR payer = ";

Result:

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Question 5 Top 10 Frequent Procedures

Explanation:

This query identifies the most commonly performed procedures and their average base cost. It helps the hospital understand which treatments are performed most often and plan resource allocation accordingly.

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code AS procedure_code,

COUNT(*) AS frequency,

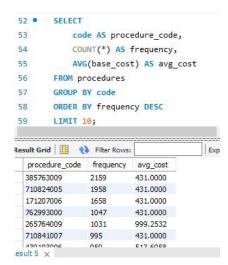
AVG(base_cost) AS avg_cost

FROM procedures

GROUP BY code

ORDER BY frequency DESC

LIMIT 10;
```



Question 6 Costliest Procedures

Explanation:

This query lists the 10 procedures with the highest average base cost and how many times each was performed. It provides insight into where the hospital incurs the most procedural expenses.

SQL Query:

SELECT

code AS procedure_code,

AVG(base_cost) AS avg_cost,

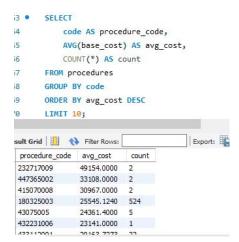
COUNT(*) AS count

FROM procedures

GROUP BY code

ORDER BY avg_cost DESC

LIMIT 10;



Result:

Question 7 Claim Cost by Payer

Explanation:

This query calculates the average claim cost per payer.

SQL Query:

SELECT

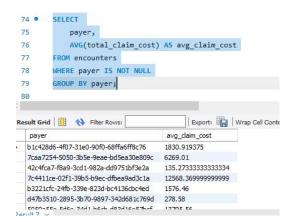
payer,

AVG(total_claim_cost) AS avg_claim_cost

FROM encounters

WHERE payer IS NOT NULL

GROUP BY payer;



SECTION C: Patient Behavior & Risk Analysis

Question 8 Unique Patients per Quarter

Explanation:

This query calculates how many unique patients were admitted each quarter of each year. It helps uncover seasonal trends or spikes in admissions

SQL Query:

SELECT

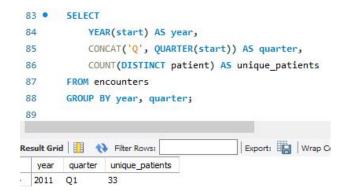
YEAR(start) AS year,

CONCAT('Q', QUARTER(start)) AS quarter,

COUNT(DISTINCT patient) AS unique_patients

FROM encounters

GROUP BY year, quarter;



Question 9 Readmissions within 30 Days

Explanation:

This detects how many patients were readmitted within 30 days of their last visit.

```
WITH visit_series AS (

SELECT

patient, start, stop,

LEAD(start) OVER (PARTITION BY patient ORDER BY start) AS next_start

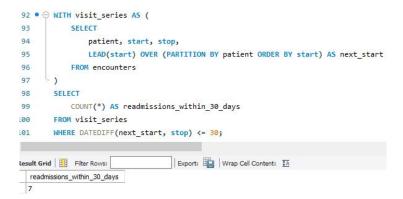
FROM encounters
)

SELECT

COUNT(*) AS readmissions_within_30_days

FROM visit_series

WHERE DATEDIFF(next_start, stop) <= 30;
```



Question 10 Top 5 Most Readmitted Patients

Explanation:

This builds on the previous query to find which individual patients had the highest number of readmissions. It's important for care teams to identify frequent returnees and manage their cases better.

```
SQL Query:
```

```
WITH visit_series AS (

SELECT

patient, start, stop,

LEAD(start) OVER (PARTITION BY patient ORDER BY start) AS next_start

FROM encounters
), flagged AS (

SELECT patient FROM visit_series

WHERE DATEDIFF(next_start, stop) <= 30
)

SELECT

patient,

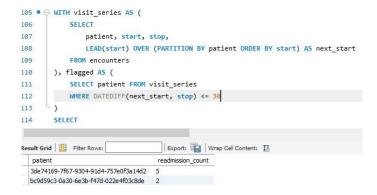
COUNT(*) AS readmission_count

FROM flagged
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GROUP BY patient

ORDER BY readmission_count DESC

LIMIT 5;



Result:

Question 11 First vs. Latest Encounter Analysis

Explanation:

This provides the time span between a patient's first and latest visit.

SQL Query:

SELECT

patient,

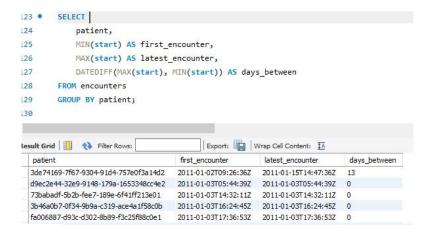
MIN(start) AS first_encounter,

MAX(start) AS latest_encounter,

DATEDIFF(MAX(start), MIN(start)) AS days_between

FROM encounters

GROUP BY patient;



SECTION D: Advanced Logic

Question 12 CTE + CASE Pivot Table

Explanation:

This query creates a pivot-style table showing how many encounters each patient had in each encounter class (e.g., Emergency, Inpatient, Outpatient). It gives a profile of patient interaction types

```
SQL Query:
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```
WITH class_summary AS (

SELECT

patient,

SUM(CASE WHEN encounterclass = 'Emergency' THEN 1 ELSE 0 END) AS emergency,

SUM(CASE WHEN encounterclass = 'Inpatient' THEN 1 ELSE 0 END) AS inpatient,

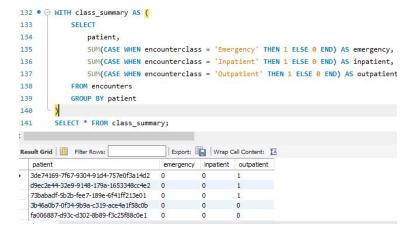
SUM(CASE WHEN encounterclass = 'Outpatient' THEN 1 ELSE 0 END) AS outpatient

FROM encounters

GROUP BY patient

)

SELECT * FROM class_summary;
```



Question 13 Most Recent Encounter per Patient

Explanation:

This query fetches the most recent encounter for every patient, along with any procedure that was performed. It's used to summarize the last known hospital interaction for each individual.

```
WITH latest_visits AS (

SELECT patient, MAX(start) AS latest_start

FROM encounters

GROUP BY patient
)

SELECT

e.patient,

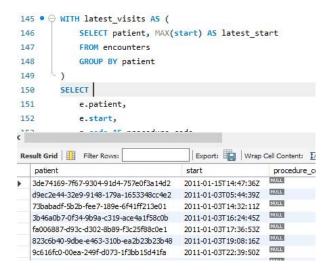
e.start,

p.code AS procedure_code

FROM encounters e

LEFT JOIN procedures p ON e.`id` = p.code
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JOIN latest_visits lv ON e.patient = lv.patient AND e.start = lv.latest_start;



Result:

Question 14 Top Diagnoses Per Age Group

Explanation:

This query analyzes which diagnoses are most common in each age group. It helps the hospital focus on age-targeted healthcare programs and spot trends across generations.

```
WITH age_diag AS (

SELECT

p.`i»¿id` AS patient_id,

pr.description AS diagnosis,

TIMESTAMPDIFF(YEAR, p.birthdate, CURDATE()) AS age

FROM patients p

JOIN procedures pr ON p.`i»¿id` = pr.patient

), grouped AS (

SELECT

CASE
```

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WHEN age <= 20 THEN '0-20'

WHEN age <= 40 THEN '21-40'

WHEN age <= 60 THEN '41-60'

ELSE '61+'

END AS age_group,

diagnosis,

COUNT(*) AS freq

FROM age_diag

GROUP BY age_group, diagnosis
), ranked AS (

SELECT *, RANK() OVER (PARTITION BY age_group ORDER BY freq DESC) AS rnk

FROM grouped
)

SELECT * FROM ranked WHERE rnk = 1;
```

