SQL for Data Science

SQL Fundamentals - 1

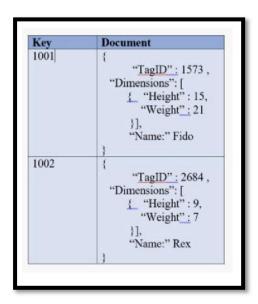
Relational Databases:

A relational database is one that stores data in tables. The relationship between each data point is clear and searching through those relationships is relatively easy. The relationship between tables and field types is called a schema. For relational databases, the schema must be clearly defined.



Non-Relational Databases:

A non-relational database is any database that does not use the tabular schema of rows and columns like in relational databases. Rather, its storage model is optimized for the type of data it's storing.



There are four different types of NoSQL databases.

Document-oriented databases – Also known as a document store, this database is designed for storing, retrieving and managing document-oriented information. Document databases usually pair each key with a complex data structure (called a document).

Key-Value Stores – This is a database that uses different keys where each key is associated with only one value in a collection. Think of it as a dictionary. This is one of the simplest database types among NoSQL databases.

Wide-Column Stores – This database uses tables, rows, and columns, but unlike a relational database, the names and format of the columns can vary from row to row in the same table.

Graph Stores – A graph database uses graph structures for semantic queries with nodes, edges, and properties to represent and store data.

How to choose a

- 1) What type of data will you be analyzing?
- 2) How much data are you dealing with?
- 3) What kind of resources can you devote to the setup and maintenance of your database?
- 4) Do you need real-time data?

Introduction to SQL:

SQL (Structured Query Language) is a computer language aimed to store, manipulate and retrieve data stored in relational databases.

SQL language has several parts:

- 1) DDL Data Definition Language
- 2) DML Data Manipulation Language
- 3) View Definition
- **4) Transaction Control**

Data Definition Language: DDL statements are used to define the database structure or schema.

Examples:

- 1) CREATE
- 2) ALTER
- 3) DROP
- 4) RENAME

Data Manipulation Language: DML statements are used for managing data within schema objects. Examples:

- 1) SELECT
- 2) INSERT
- 3) UPDATE
- 4) DELETE

Basic Structure of SQL Query:

General Structure	SELECT, ALL/ DISTINCT, *, AS, FROM, WHERE
Comparison	IN, BETWEEN, LIKE, ILIKE
Grouping	GROUP BY, HAVING, COUNT(), SUM(), AVG(), MAX(), MIN()
Display Order	ORDER BY, ASC/ DESC
Logical Operators	AND, OR, NOT
Output	INTO TABLE/ CURSOR, TO SCREEN
Union	UNION

SELECT & DISTINCT Statement:

SELECT is the most common statement used, and it allows us to retrieve information from a table.

In order to select the entire table **SELECT** * is used.

Sometimes a table contains a column that has duplicate values and in order to return only the unique values, **DISTINCT** statement is used in combination with **SELECT**

COUNT Statement:

COUNT returns the number of input rows that match a specific condition of a query.

COUNT can be applied on a specific column or just passed as COUNT(*), both giving same results

WHERE statement:

WHERE statement allows us to specify the conditions on columns for the rows to be returned.

OPERATOR	DESCRIPTION				
=	EQUAL				
>	GREATER THAN				
<	LESS THAN				
>=	GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO				
<=	LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO				
<> OR !=	NOT EQUAL TO				
AND	BOTH CONDITIONS TRUE				
OR	EITHER OF THE CONDITIONS TRUE				
NOT	OFFSET OF SPECIFIED CONDITION				

ORDER BY Statement:

SELECT company, name, sales FROM table ORDER BY company, sales

COMPANY	NAME	SALES
Apple	Andrew	100
Apple	Zach	300
Google	Claire	200
Google	David	500
Xerox	Steven	100

LIMIT Statement:

The LIMIT command allows us to limit the number of rows returned for a query.

Useful for not wanting to return every single row in a table, but only view the top few rows to get an idea of the table layout

LIMIT also becomes useful in combination with ORDER BY

LIMIT goes at the very end of a query request and is the last command to be executed.

BETWEEN Statement:

The BETWEEN operator can be used to match a value against a range of values

value **BETWEEN** low **AND** high

Can be combined with **NOT** operator

Can be also used with dates in the format: YYYY-MM-DD

IN Statement:

The IN operator can be used to create a condition that checks to see if a value is included in a list of multiple options for example if a user's name shows up in a list of know names

value **IN** (option 1, option 2, option 3,..., option N)

LIKE & ILIKE Statement:

In order to match a string against a general pattern we use LIKE and **ILIKE** for example:

All emails ending with '@gmail.com'

LIKE & ILIKE allows us to perform pattern matching against string data with the use of wildcard characters

- Percent % Matches any sequence of characters
- Underscore _ Matches any single character

LIKE is case-sensitive whereas ILIKE is case-insensitive

LIKE & ILIKE Statement:

All names that begin with 'A' **WHERE** name **LIKE** 'A%'

All names that end with 'a' **WHERE** name **LIKE** '%a'

Get all Mission Impossible Films

WHERE name LIKE 'Mission Impossible _ _'

Combination of Wildcards

WHERE name LIKE '_ her%'

- Cheryl
- Theresa
- Sherri

Aggregate Functions:

The main idea behind aggregate function is to take multiple inputs and return a single output.

- **AVG**() Returns floating point values.
- **ROUND**() can be used to specify precision after the decimal
- COUNT()
- **MAX()**
- MIN()
- **SUM()**

GROUP BY Statement:

GROUP BY allows us to aggregate data and apply functions to better understand how data is distributed per category.

Category	Data		А	10			
А	10		А	5		Category	Result
Α	5				AVG()	Α	7.5
В	2	→	В	2	→	В	3
В	4		В	4		С	9
С	12		С	12			
С	6		С	6			

HAVING BY Statement:

HAVING allows us to filter after an aggregation has already taken place.

We can use it along with a GROUP BY

AS Statement

AS allows us to create an Alias for a column or a result.

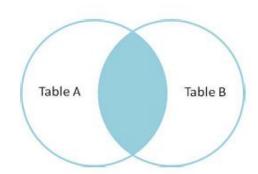
AS operator gets executed at the very end of the query meaning we can not use the Alias inside a **WHERE** or **HAVING** operator.

INNER JOIN Statement:

Reg_ID	Name		
1	Andrew		
2	Bob		
3	Charlie		
4	David		

Log_ID	Name		
1	Xavier		
2	Andrew		
3	Yauren		
4	Bob		

Reg_ID	Name	Log_ID	Name
1	Andrew	2	Andrew
2	Bob	4	Bob

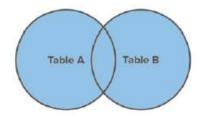


FULL OUTER JOIN Statement:

Reg_ID	Name
1	Andrew
2	Bob
3	Charlie
4	David

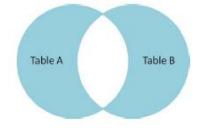
Log_ID	Name		
1	Xavier		
2	Andrew		
3	Yauren		
4	Bob		

Red_ID	Name	Log_ID	Name	
1	Andrew	2	Andrew	
2	Bob	4	Bob	
3	Charlie	null	null	
4	David	null	null	
null	null	1	Xavier	
null	null	3	Yauren	



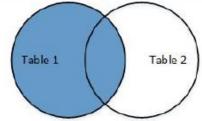
FULL OUTER JOIN with WHERE:

Reg_ID	Name	Log_ID	Name		Red_ID	Name	Log_ID	Name
1	Andrew	1	Xavier	_	3	Charlie	null	null
2	Bob	2	Andrew		4	David	null	null
3	Charlie	3	Yauren		null	null	1	Xavier
4	David	4	Bob		null	null	3	Yauren



LEFT OUTER JOIN Statement:

Reg_ID	Name	Log_ID	Name		Red_ID	Name	Log_ID	Name
1	Andrew	1	Xavier	_	1	Andrew	2	Andrew
2	Bob	2	Andrew		2	Bob	4	Bob
3	Charlie	3	Yauren		3	Charlie	null	null
4	David	4	Bob		4	David	null	null



LEFT OUTER JOIN with WHERE:

Reg_ID	Name	Log_ID	Name
1	Andrew	1	Xavier
2	Bob	2	Andrew
3	Charlie	3	Yauren
4	David	4	Bob

Red_ID	Name	Log_ID	Name
3	Charlie	null	null
4	David	null	null

