

# SQL interview Preparation

- 6 important SQL questions for goods hands on including joins, filter, cte and windows function

```
In [60]: # Installing db-sqlite3
# !pip install db-sqlite3
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In [61]: import pandas as pd
import sqlite3
from datetime import date
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In [62]: #connecting and creating with the database.
db = sqlite3.connect("testing.db")
db.execute("drop table if exists results")
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Out[62]: <sqlite3.Cursor at 0x7fd69af0e110>
```

## 1. Tournament Winners

- Write a SQL query to find the winner in each group
- The winner in each group is the player who scored the maximum total points within the group. In the case of a tie, the lowest player\_id wins.

```
In [63]: # Create table
try:
    db.execute("""
    create table players(
        player_id int,
        group_id int
    )""")
    db.execute("""
    create table matches(
        match_id int,
        first_player int,
        second_player int,
        first_score int,
        second_score int
    )""")
except:
    print("Already table existed !!")
# Insert values
input_players = [
    "insert into players values (15,1);",
    "insert into players values (25,1);",
    "insert into players values (30,1);",
    "insert into players values (45,1);",
    "insert into players values (10,2);",
    "insert into players values (35,2);",
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"insert into players values (50,2);",
"insert into players values (20,3);",
"insert into players values (40,3);"
]
for i in input_players:
    db.execute(i)
    db.commit()

input_matches = [
"insert into matches values (1,15,45,3,0);",
"insert into matches values (2,30,25,1,2);",
"insert into matches values (3,30,15,2,0);",
"insert into matches values (4,40,20,5,2);",
"insert into matches values (5,35,50,1,1);"
]
for i in input_matches:
    db.execute(i)
    db.commit()

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In [64]: qry = """
select * from players;
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)

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Out[64]:
  player_id  group_id
0         15         1
1         25         1
2         30         1
3         45         1
4         10         2
5         35         2
6         50         2
7         20         3
8         40         3

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In [65]: qry = """
select * from matches;
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)

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Out[65]:
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	match_id	first_player	second_player	first_score	second_score
0	1	15	45	3	0
1	2	30	25	1	2
2	3	30	15	2	0
3	4	40	20	5	2
4	5	35	50	1	1

### Expected Output:

	player_id	group_id	score	rn
0	15	1	3	1
1	35	2	1	1
2	40	3	5	1

```
In [66]: qry = """
with player_score as(
select
first_player as player_id,
first_score as score
from matches
union all
select
second_player as player_id,
second_score as score
from matches
),
final_score as(
select
ps.player_id,
p.group_id,
sum(ps.score) as score
from player_score ps
inner join players as p
on ps.player_id=p.player_id
group by 1,2
),
final_ranking as(
select
*,
rank() over(partition by group_id order by score desc, player_id asc) as rn
from final_score
)
select
*
from final_ranking
where rn =1
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)
```

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Out[66]:
```

	player_id	group_id	score	rn
0	15	1	3	1
1	35	2	1	1
2	40	3	5	1

## 2. Market Analysis

- Write an SQL query to find for each seller, whether the brand of the second item (by date) they sold is their favorite
- If a seller sold less than two items, report the answer for that seller as no.

```
In [67]: # Create table
try:
    db.execute("""
    create table users (
        user_id int,
        join_date date,
        favorite_brand varchar(50));
    """)

    db.execute("""
    create table orders (
        order_id int,
        order_date date,
        item_id int,
        buyer_id int,
        seller_id int);
    """)

    db.execute("""
    create table items(
        item_id int,
        item_brand varchar(50));
    """)
except:
    print("Already table existed !!")

# Insert values
input_users = [ """
insert into users values
(1,'2019-01-01','Lenovo'),
(2,'2019-02-09','Samsung'),
(3,'2019-01-19','LG'),
(4,'2019-05-21','HP');
"""]

input_items = [ """
insert into items values
(1,'Samsung'),
(2,'Lenovo'),
(3,'LG'),
(4,'HP');
"""]
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"""
input_orders = [ """
insert into orders values
(1, '2019-08-01', 4, 1, 2),
(2, '2019-08-02', 2, 1, 3),
(3, '2019-08-03', 3, 2, 3),
(4, '2019-08-04', 1, 4, 2),
(5, '2019-08-04', 1, 3, 4),
(6, '2019-08-05', 2, 2, 4);
"""
db.execute(input_users[0])
db.execute(input_items[0])
db.execute(input_orders[0])

```

Out[67]: <sqlite3.Cursor at 0x7fd69afa6c00>

```

In [68]: qry = """
select * from users;
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)

```

Out[68]:

	user_id	join_date	favorite_brand
0	1	2019-01-01	Lenovo
1	2	2019-02-09	Samsung
2	3	2019-01-19	LG
3	4	2019-05-21	HP

```

In [69]: qry = """
select * from items;
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)

```

Out[69]:

	item_id	item_brand
0	1	Samsung
1	2	Lenovo
2	3	LG
3	4	HP

```

In [70]: qry = """
select * from orders;
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)

```

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Out[70]:
```

	order_id	order_date	item_id	buyer_id	seller_id
0	1	2019-08-01	4	1	2
1	2	2019-08-02	2	1	3
2	3	2019-08-03	3	2	3
3	4	2019-08-04	1	4	2
4	5	2019-08-04	1	3	4
5	6	2019-08-05	2	2	4

### Expected Output:

seller_id	second_item_fav_brand
0	No
1	Yes
2	Yes
3	No

```
In [71]: qry = """
with rnk_orders as(
select
*,
rank() over(partition by seller_id order by order_date asc) as rn
from orders
),
second_cte as(
select
u.user_id,
ro.*,
i.item_brand,
u.favorite_brand,
case when i.item_brand=u.favorite_brand then 'Yes' else 'No' end as second_item_fav_br
from users u
left join rnk_orders ro on ro.seller_id=u.user_id and rn=2
left join items i on i.item_id=ro.item_id
)
select
user_id as seller_id,
second_item_fav_brand
from second_cte
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)
```

Out[71]:

	seller_id	second_item_fav_brand
0	1	No
1	2	Yes
2	3	Yes
3	4	No

### 3. Tricky SQL Question

```
In [72]: # Create table
try:
    db.execute("""
        create table tasks (
            date_value date,
            state varchar(10)
        );
    """)
except:
    print("Already table existed !!")

# Insert values
input = ["""
insert into tasks values
('2019-01-01', 'success'),
('2019-01-02', 'success'),
('2019-01-03', 'success'),
('2019-01-04', 'fail'),
('2019-01-05', 'fail'),
('2019-01-06', 'success')
"""]
for i in input:
    db.execute(i)
    db.commit()
```

```
In [73]: qry = """
select
*
from tasks
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)
```

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Out[73]:
```

	date_value	state
0	2019-01-01	success
1	2019-01-02	success
2	2019-01-03	success
3	2019-01-04	fail
4	2019-01-05	fail
5	2019-01-06	success

### Expected Output:

	start_date	end_date	state
0	2019-01-01	2019-01-03	success
1	2019-01-04	2019-01-05	fail
2	2019-01-06	2019-01-06	success

```
In [74]: qry = """
with all_dates as(
select
*,
row_number() over(partition by state order by date_value) as rn,
DATE(date_value,cast(row_number() over(partition by state order by date_value)*-1 as v
from tasks
order by date_value
)
select
min(date_value) as start_date,
max(date_value) as end_date,
state
from all_dates
group by group_date,state
order by start_date
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)
```

```
Out[74]:
```

	start_date	end_date	state
0	2019-01-01	2019-01-03	success
1	2019-01-04	2019-01-05	fail
2	2019-01-06	2019-01-06	success

## 4. User Purchase Platform

- The table logs the spendings history of users that make purchases from an online shopping website which has a desktop and a mobile application



- Write a SQL query to find the total number of users and the total amount spent using mobile only, desktop only and both mobile and desktop together for each date?

```
In [75]: # Create table
try:
    db.execute("""
    create table spending(
        user_id int,
        spend_date date,
        platform varchar(10),
        amount int
    );
    """)
except:
    print("Already table existed !!")

# Insert values
input = ["""
insert into spending values
(1,'2019-07-01','mobile',100),
(1,'2019-07-01','desktop',100),
(2,'2019-07-01','mobile',100),
(2,'2019-07-02','mobile',100),
(3,'2019-07-01','desktop',100),
(3,'2019-07-02','desktop',100);
"""]
for i in input:
    db.execute(i)
    db.commit()
```

```
In [76]: qry = """
select
*
from spending
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)
```

```
Out[76]:
```

	user_id	spend_date	platform	amount
0	1	2019-07-01	mobile	100
1	1	2019-07-01	desktop	100
2	2	2019-07-01	mobile	100
3	2	2019-07-02	mobile	100
4	3	2019-07-01	desktop	100
5	3	2019-07-02	desktop	100

**Expected Output:**

	spend_date	platform	total_amount	total_users
0	2019-07-01	mobile	100	1
1	2019-07-01	desktop	100	1
2	2019-07-01	both	200	1
3	2019-07-02	mobile	100	1
4	2019-07-02	desktop	100	1
5	2019-07-02	both	0	0

```
In [77]: qry = """
with all_spend as(
select
spend_date,
user_id,
max(platform) as platform,
sum(amount) as amount
from spending
group by spend_date,user_id
having count(distinct platform)=1
union all
select
spend_date,
user_id,
'both' as platform,
sum(amount) as amount
from spending
group by spend_date,user_id
having count(distinct platform)=2
union all
select
distinct spend_date,
null as user_id,
'both' as platform,
0 as amount
from spending
)
select
spend_date,
platform,
sum(amount) as total_amount,
count(distinct user_id) as total_users
from all_spend
group by 1,2
order by 1,2 desc
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)
```

Out[77]:

	spend_date	platform	total_amount	total_users
0	2019-07-01	mobile	100	1
1	2019-07-01	desktop	100	1
2	2019-07-01	both	200	1
3	2019-07-02	mobile	100	1
4	2019-07-02	desktop	100	1
5	2019-07-02	both	0	0

## 5. Recursive CTE

- It means cte running in loop. CTE will call itself till the break point
- Example:

```
with cte_numbers as(
    select 1 as num --anchor query
    union all
    select num + 1 --recursive query
    from cte_numbers
    where num<6 --filter to stop the recursion
)
select num from cte_numbers
```

In [78]:

```
qry = """
with cte_numbers as(
    select 1 as num --anchor query
    union all
    select num +1 --recursive query
    from cte_numbers
    where num<6 --filter to stop the recursion
)
select num from cte_numbers
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry,db)
```

Out[78]:

	num
0	1
1	2
2	3
3	4
4	5
5	6

- **Total sales by year**

```
In [79]: # Create table
try:
    db.execute("""
        create table sales (
            product_id int,
            period_start date,
            period_end date,
            average_daily_sales int
        );
    """)
except:
    print("Already table existed !!")

# Insert values
input = ["""
insert into sales values
(1,'2019-01-25','2019-02-28',100),
(2,'2018-12-01','2020-01-01',10),
(3,'2019-12-01','2020-01-31',1);
"""]
for i in input:
    db.execute(i)
    db.commit()
```

```
In [80]: qry = """
select
*
from sales
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db).head()
```

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Out[80]:
```

	product_id	period_start	period_end	average_daily_sales
0	1	2019-01-25	2019-02-28	100
1	2	2018-12-01	2020-01-01	10
2	3	2019-12-01	2020-01-31	1

### Expected Output:

	product_id	report_year	total_amount
0	1	2019	3500
1	2	2018	310
2	2	2019	3650
3	2	2020	10
4	3	2019	31
5	3	2020	31

```
In [81]: qry = """
with r_cte as (
```

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select min(period_start) as dates, --anchor query
max(period_end) as max_date
from sales
union all
select
date(dates, '+1 days') as dates, max_date
from r_cte
where dates < max_Date
)
select
product_id,
strftime('%Y',dates) as report_year,
sum(average_daily_sales) as total_amount
from r_cte r
inner join sales s
on dates between period_start and period_end
group by 1,2
order by product_id, dates
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)

```

Out[81]:

	product_id	report_year	total_amount
0	1	2019	3500
1	2	2018	310
2	2	2019	3650
3	2	2020	10
4	3	2019	31
5	3	2020	31

## 6. Recommendation System

- Basket Analysis
- Recommendation System: Based on product pairs most commonly purchased together

In [82]:

```

# Create table
try:
    db.execute("""
        create table orders_1(
            order_id int,
            customer_id int,
            product_id int
        );
    """)
    db.execute("""
        create table products_1(
            id int,
            name varchar(10)
        );
    """)

```

```

except:
    print("Already table existed !!")

# Insert values
input_orders_1 = """
insert into orders_1 VALUES
(1, 1, 1),
(1, 1, 2),
(1, 1, 3),
(2, 2, 1),
(2, 2, 2),
(2, 2, 4),
(3, 1, 5);
"""
for i in input_orders_1:
    db.execute(i)
    db.commit()

input_products_1 = """
insert into products_1 VALUES
(1, 'A'),
(2, 'B'),
(3, 'C'),
(4, 'D'),
(5, 'E');
"""
for i in input_products_1:
    db.execute(i)
    db.commit()

```

```

In [83]: qry = """
select
*
from orders_1
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)

```

```

Out[83]:
  order_id  customer_id  product_id
0         1           1           1
1         1           1           2
2         1           1           3
3         2           2           1
4         2           2           2
5         2           2           4
6         3           1           5

```

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In [84]: qry = """
select
*
from products_1

```

```
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)
```

```
Out[84]:
```

	id	name
0	1	A
1	2	B
2	3	C
3	4	D
4	5	E

**Expected Output:**

	pairs	purchase_freq
0	AB	2
1	AC	1
2	AD	1
3	BC	1
4	BD	1

```
In [85]: qry = """
with cte1 as (
select
pr1.name as p1,
pr2.name as p2,
count(1) as purchase_freq
from orders_1 o1
inner join orders_1 o2 on o1.order_id = o2.order_id
inner join products_1 pr1 on pr1.id = o1.product_id
inner join products_1 pr2 on pr2.id = o2.product_id
where o1.product_id < o2.product_id
group by 1,2
)
select
p1||' '||p2 as pairs,
purchase_freq
from cte1
"""
pd.read_sql_query(qry, db)
```

```
Out[85]:
```

	<b>pairs</b>	<b>purchase_freq</b>
<b>0</b>	A B	2
<b>1</b>	A C	1
<b>2</b>	A D	1
<b>3</b>	B C	1
<b>4</b>	B D	1

**Source:**

- <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLBTZqjSKn0leKBQDjLmzisazhqQy4iGkb>

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