

Question A

Assumption:

For each observation, the **dash_start_time** and the **dash_end_time** are of the same day

Query:

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SELECT WEEKDAY(dash_start_time) AS day_of_week
      , SUM(total_pay)*60/SUM(TIMESTAMPDIFF((minute, dash_start_time,
dash_end_time) AS avg_hourly_earnings
FROM Dash
GROUP BY day_of_week
```

Note:

1. WEEKDAY is the MySQL function that returns the day of week number for a given datetime (0=Monday, ..., 6=Sunday). Some other functions do the similar work, e.g. DAYOFWEEK() or DATE_FORMAT(datetime, '%a%'). Other SQL languages may use different functions.
2. Here we calculate time difference between dash_start_time and dash_end_time in minute then divide it by 60 so that we can get the hour number in decimal.

When **dash_start_time** and **dash_end_time** are of different days for a record, e.g. overnight or even more than 1 day (although it is unlikely to be true in reality, but it could happen technically). In that case, we may have to write a function that calculates how many hours were allocated in each day-of-week (see the table below). Then we assign the **total_pay** to each day of week proportionally assuming it's evenly distributed over that period. Lastly, we can simply calculate the average hourly pay by each day-of-week

dash_start_time	dash_end_time	total_pay	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1/1/16 7:00 AM	1/5/16 9:40 AM	46.78	24	9.67	0	0	17	24	24

Question B

Assumptions:

1. For each observation in **Dash**, the **dash_start_time** and the **dash_end_time** are of the same day
2. **Dash.id** is the foreign key references **Dasher.id** (primary key)

Query:

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SELECT SUM(total_pay)*60/SUM(TIMESTAMPDIFF((minute, dash_start_time,
dash_end_time) AS avg_hourly_earnings
FROM Dash d1 JOIN Dasher d2
ON d1.dasher_id = d2.id
WHERE submarket_id = 3 AND DATE_FORMAT(dash_start_time,'%H') >= 11 AND
DATE_FORMAT(dash_end_time,'%H') < 14

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Explanation:

- Do the inner join of Dash and Dasher
- Filter by the conditions for submarket_id and lunch time
- Calculate the average earnings per hour using the same logic as in question a.

Note:

DATE_FORMAT(datetime,'%H') returns the hour number in 24-hour format for a given datetime

Question C

Assumptions:

We don't need to assume that for each observation the **dash_start_time** and the **dash_end_time** are of the same day for the case as the average hourly pay by a dasher is calculated by his/her total amount of earnings divided by the total amount of online time.

Query:

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WITH Dash_Latest_Hourly_Pay AS
(SELECT dash_id
      , SUM(total_pay)*60/SUM(TIMESTAMPDIFF((minute, dash_start_time,
dash_end_time) AS avg_hourly_earnings
FROM Dash
WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(day, now(), dash_start_time) <= 30
GROUP BY dash_id
)
SELECT dash_id, email_address
FROM (SELECT dash_id
      , ROW_NUMBER() OVER(ORDER BY avg_hourly_earnings ASC) AS
rank_number
FROM Dash_Latest_Hourly_Pay) temp
JOIN Dasher

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ON temp.dash_id = Dasher.id
WHERE temp.rank_number <= (SELECT FLOOR(COUNT(*)/2)
                           FROM Dash_Latest_Hourly_Pay)
```

Explanation:

- Use common table expression (CTE) to create a view named as ***Dash_Latest_Hourly_Pay*** where the average hourly pay for the last 30 days (based on the difference of the current day of system and the **dash_start_time**) is calculated for each dasher
- Get the rank number for each dasher in ***Dash_Latest_Hourly_Pay*** based on average hourly pay in ascending order using a window function **ROW_NUMBER() OVER ()**
- Join Dasher to get the corresponding email address for each dasher
- Select dashers whose rank numbers are smaller than or equal to 50% of the total number of rows of ***Dash_Latest_Hourly_Pay***

Note:

Since we just want to get the bottom 50th percentile of the target dashers instead of calculating the median of total pay per hour, we don't need to deal with the odd-or-even-number issue. Also since ROW_NUMBER() function randomly assigns rank numbers to the ties, we can safely select the records with rank numbers <= FLOOR(COUNT(*)/2) without worrying the cases such as more than 50% dashers had exactly the same hourly pay, which rarely happens but in theory exists.