

## **Project Description**

In this project, I utilized SQL to investigate security incidents related to login attempts and employee devices. By applying various filters using AND, OR, and NOT operators, I aimed to retrieve critical information that could help identify potential security breaches within the organization.

### **Retrieve After Hours Failed Login Attempts**

To identify failed login attempts that occurred after business hours (after 18:00), I executed the following SQL query:

```
``sql
SELECT *
FROM log_in_attempts
WHERE success = 0 AND login_time > '18:00:00';
``
```

This query retrieves all records from the log\_in\_attempts table where the login attempt failed (success = 0) and the time of the login attempt was after 18:00. The combination of conditions ensures that only relevant failed attempts are captured for further investigation.

### **Retrieve Login Attempts on Specific Dates**

To find login attempts on specific dates, I used the following query:

```
``sql
SELECT *
FROM log_in_attempts
WHERE login_date = '2023-10-01';
``
```

This query filters the records to show only those login attempts that occurred on October 1, 2023.

### **Retrieve Login Attempts Outside of Mexico**

To filter for login attempts that occurred outside of Mexico, I applied the following query:

```
``sql
```

```
SELECT *  
  
FROM log_in_attempts  
  
WHERE country != 'Mexico';  
  
...
```

This query retrieves all records where the country is not Mexico, helping to focus on international login attempts.

### **Retrieve Employees in Marketing**

To identify employees working in the Marketing department, I used:

```
```sql  
  
SELECT *  
  
FROM employees  
  
WHERE department = 'Marketing';  
  
...
```

This query lists all employees who are part of the Marketing team, providing insight into the personnel involved in that department.

### **Retrieve Employees in Finance or Sales**

To find employees in either the Finance or Sales departments, I used the following query:

```
```sql  
  
SELECT *  
  
FROM employees  
  
WHERE department = 'Finance' OR department = 'Sales';  
  
...
```

This query effectively captures all employees in these two departments for analysis.

### **Retrieve All Employees Not in IT**

To exclude employees in the IT department, I utilized:

```
```sql
```

```
SELECT *  
  
FROM employees  
  
WHERE department != 'IT';  
  
...
```

This query retrieves all employees who do not belong to the IT department, which is essential for understanding the workforce outside of that technical area.

## Summary

Through this project, I effectively applied SQL filtering techniques to analyze login attempts and employee data within the organization. By using AND, OR, and NOT operators, I could narrow down large datasets to obtain critical insights into potential security issues. This exercise not only strengthened my SQL skills but also provided practical experience in handling real-world data security investigations.

## Instructions for Including SQL Queries

When presenting SQL queries in a portfolio, it's crucial to format them clearly. I used a monospaced font for better readability and included relevant comments to explain each section.

## Table Formats

### 1. log\_in\_attempts:

- event\_id
- username
- login\_date
- login\_time
- country
- ip\_address
- success

### 2. employees:

- employee\_id
- device\_id

- username
- department
- office