

/*

```
=====
== SubQueries Documentation ==
=====
```

What is a Subquery?

- A subquery is a SQL query nested inside another query (outer query).
- SQL first runs the inner query → gets a result → then uses that result in the outer query.
- Subqueries help you filter, calculate, and validate data before returning results.

Types of Subqueries:

- **Scalar Subquery:** Returns a single value (e.g., AVG, MAX, MIN).
Example: `score > (SELECT AVG(score) FROM customers)`
- **IN / NOT IN Subquery:** Returns multiple values for filtering.
Example: `id IN (SELECT customer_id FROM orders)`
- **EXISTS Subquery:** Checks if at least one row exists.
Example: `WHERE EXISTS (SELECT 1 FROM orders WHERE orders.customer_id = customers.id)`
- **Subquery in SELECT:** Adds a calculated value per row.
Example: `SELECT first_name, (SELECT AVG(score) FROM customers) AS avg_score`
- **Subquery in FROM / Derived Table:** Used as a temporary table for aggregation.
Example: `SELECT AVG(total_sales) FROM (SELECT SUM(sales) AS total_sales FROM orders GROUP BY customer_id) AS temp`
- **Nested Subquery:** A subquery inside another subquery.
Example: `score > (SELECT AVG(score) FROM customers WHERE id IN (SELECT customer_id FROM orders))`

Why use Subqueries?

- Filtering based on aggregate calculations.
- Data validation (existence / non-existence of records).
- Comparing data across tables.
- Preparing intermediate results for ETL pipelines.
- Simplifying complex queries without writing multiple joins.

Common Mistakes:

- Forgetting parentheses around subqueries.
- Using IN with a subquery that returns NULL (can give unexpected results).
- Scalar subquery returning multiple rows (use LIMIT or aggregation to fix).
- Not using EXISTS when checking for row existence (may return duplicates with IN).

ETL / Data Engineering Use Cases:

- Identify customers who never made a purchase.
- Filter records based on aggregated metrics.
- Detect missing or duplicate data before loading.
- Create summary tables from transactional data.

Quick Visual Guide:

Subquery Type	Returns	Use Case Example
Scalar	Single Value	Compare <code>score > AVG(score)</code>
IN / NOT IN	Multiple	Find customers with orders
EXISTS	Boolean	Check if orders exist for customer
SELECT	Value per row	Add <code>avg_score</code> column
FROM / Derived	Table	Aggregate sales per customer
Nested	Depends	Avg of customers who made orders

```

*/

USE MyDatabase;

-- Find customers whose score is greater than average score
SELECT first_name, score
FROM customers
WHERE score > (
    SELECT AVG(score)      -- Inner query calculates average score
    FROM customers
);

-- Find customers who placed orders
SELECT first_name
FROM customers
WHERE id IN (
    SELECT customer_id
    FROM orders
);

-- Find customers who never placed any order
SELECT first_name
FROM customers
WHERE id NOT IN (
    SELECT customer_id
    FROM orders
);

-- Find customers who have orders
SELECT first_name
FROM customers c
WHERE EXISTS (
    SELECT 1
    FROM orders o
    WHERE o.customer_id = c.id
);

-- Show customers with their score AND the average score
SELECT
    first_name,
    score,
    (SELECT AVG(score) FROM customers) AS avg_score
FROM customers;

-- Find average sales per customer
SELECT AVG(total_sales)
FROM (
    SELECT SUM(sales) AS total_sales
    FROM orders
    GROUP BY customer_id
) AS temp;

```

```

-- Find customers whose score is higher than the average score of customers who
placed orders
SELECT first_name, score
FROM customers
WHERE score > (
    SELECT AVG(score)
    FROM customers
    WHERE id IN (
        SELECT customer_id
        FROM orders
    )
);

-- Find customers whose score is higher than the maximum sales value
SELECT first_name, score
FROM customers
WHERE score > (
    SELECT MAX(sales)
    FROM orders
);

-- =====
-- Extra Practice Queries
-- 1. Customers whose score is lower than minimum sales
SELECT first_name, score
FROM customers
WHERE score < (
    SELECT MIN(sales)
    FROM orders
);

-- 2. Customers whose score is equal to their total sales
SELECT first_name, score
FROM customers
WHERE score = (
    SELECT SUM(sales)
    FROM orders
    WHERE orders.customer_id = customers.id
);

-- 3. Customers whose score is higher than the average score of German customers
SELECT first_name, score
FROM customers
WHERE score > (
    SELECT AVG(score)
    FROM customers
    WHERE country = 'Germany'
);

```