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        CUNY ACE UPSKILLING:  INTRODUCTION TO STRUCTURED QUERY LANGUAGE
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  SESSION #4 (2021/11/17): MANIPULATING DATA

  1. Using built-in functions for numeric values including aggregate functions
     and `GROUP BY`
  2. Using clauses `ORDER BY`, `CASE`, `WHERE` and operators
  3. Sub-queries
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 1. ``In mathematical sets, the null set, also called the empty set, is the set
    that does not contain anything. It is symbolized ∅ or { }.  There is only
    one null set.  This is because there is logically only one way that a set
    can contain nothing.
    The null set makes it possible to explicitly define the results of
    operations on certain sets that would otherwise not be explicitly
    definable.  The intersection of two disjoint sets (two sets that contain no
    elements in common) is the null set. For example:
    {1, 3, 5, 7, 9, ...}∩{2, 4, 6, 8, 10, ...} = ∅                [∩ = U+2229]
                                                                  [∅ = U+2205]
    The null set provides a foundation for building a formal theory of numbers.
    In axiomatic mathematics, zero is defined as the cardinality of (that is,
    the number of elements in) the null set.  From this starting point,
    mathematicians can build the set of natural numbers, and from there, the
    sets of integers and rational numbers.``
    http://whatis.techtarget.com/definition/null-set

    As such, NULL refers to a memory allocation with no value -- not an empty
    space since the latter has a value of `CHAR(32)`.

    Note that concatenating any VARCHAR (ANSI-complaint accepting ASCII,
    UTF-8) or NVARCHAR (Microsoft proprietary data type, not ANSI-complaint
    accepting ASCII, UTF-8 and especially Unicode) field to a NULL (no value,
    not a blank character) field using `+` instead of using the `CONCAT()`
    function will return NULL.

    In the example below, we lose data when concatenating `VendorAddress1`
    and `VendorAddress2` in the `AP1.Vendors` table when using `+`.

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 2. ``An aggregate function performs a calculation on a set of values, and
    returns a single value. Except for COUNT, aggregate functions ignore null
    values.  Aggregate functions are often used with the GROUP BY clause of the
    SELECT statement.``
    https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/sql/t-sql/functions/aggregate-functions-
     transact-sql

    2.1. In the example below, we search for the count of records from table
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52          `AP1.Vendors` where column `VendorState` has a value of `NY` and `NJ`.
53          Since a field (a single data allocation) cannot have two values at the
54          same time, the query returns no values.
55   ************************************************************************ */
56
57  SELECT COUNT(VendorState) AS CountVendorState
58  FROM AP1.Vendors
59  WHERE VendorState = 'NJ'
60    AND VendorState = 'NY';                       -- returns 0 (zero)
61
62
63  /* ************************************************************************
64      2.2. In the example below, we search for the count of records from table
65          `AP1.Vendors` where column `VendorState` has a value of `NY` or `NJ`.
66          In other words, the field can have either value.
67   ************************************************************************ */
68
69  SELECT COUNT(VendorState) AS CountVendorState
70  FROM AP1.Vendors
71  WHERE VendorState = 'NJ'
72    OR VendorState = 'NY';                        -- returns 7 (4 `NJ` & 3 `NY`)
73
74
75  /* ************************************************************************
76      2.3. In the example below, we search for the count of records from table
77          `AP1.Vendors` with `DISTINCT` values in column `VendorState` -- in
78          other words, the number of unique states.
79   ************************************************************************ */
80
81  SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT VendorState) AS CountVendorState
82  FROM AP1.Vendors;                               -- returns 22
83
84
85  /* ************************************************************************
86      2.4. In the example below, we search for the count of records from table
87          `AP1.Vendors`.  We can use `*` (read as ``all``) since we are looking
88          for the number of all values -- in other words, of all records.
89   ************************************************************************ */
90
91  SELECT COUNT(*) AS CountOfRows
92  FROM AP1.Vendors;                               -- returns 114
93
94
95  /* ************************************************************************
96      2.5. In the examples below, we retrieve the sum of values in column
97          `InvoiceTotal` (`SUM(InvoiceTotal)`), average value of column
98          `InvoiceTotal` (`AVG(InvoiceTotal)`), maximum value of column
99          `InvoiceTotal` (`MAX(InvoiceTotal)`) and minimum value of column
100         `InvoiceTotal` (`MIN(InvoiceTotal)`) from table `AP1.Invoices`.
101
102         Note that these values do not have commas as dividers (1,000) or
103         currency symbols.  If you need to include dividers, you would need to
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104           use the `FORMAT()` function.
105   ************************************************************************ */
106
107 SELECT SUM(InvoiceTotal) AS InvoiceTotalSUM,     -- returns 214290.51
108   AVG(InvoiceTotal) AS InvoiceTotalAVG,         -- returns 1879.7413
109   MAX(InvoiceTotal) AS InvoiceTotalMAX,         -- returns 37966.19
110   MIN(InvoiceTotal) AS InvoiceTotalMIN          -- returns 6.00
111 FROM AP1.Invoices;
112
113
114 /* ************************************************************************
115     2.6. In the examples below, we search for the sum, average, maximum and
116          minimum value of column `InvoiceTotal` from table `AP1.Invoices`
117          respectively as (nested queries) sub-queries.
118   ************************************************************************ */
119
120 SELECT InvoiceID,
121   VendorID,
122   InvoiceNumber,
123   InvoiceDate,
124   InvoiceTotal,
125   (                                             -- 1. beginning of nested query
126     SELECT                                      --    between parenthesis to
127       MAX(InvoiceTotal)                         --    get `MAX(InvoiceTotal)`
128     FROM AP1.Invoices                           --    from table `AP1.Invoices`
129     ) AS InvoiceTotalMAX,                       --    with alias
130                                                 --    `InvoiceTotalMAX` for
131                                                 --    nested query
132   (                                             -- 2. beginning of nested query
133     SELECT                                      --    between parenthesis to
134       MIN(InvoiceTotal)                         --    get `MIN(InvoiceTotal)`
135     FROM AP1.Invoices                           --    from table `AP1.Invoices`
136     ) AS InvoiceTotalMIN,                       --    with alias
137                                                 --    `InvoiceTotalMIN` for
138                                                 --    nested query
139   ROUND                                         -- 3. rounding value of the sub
140   (                                             --    query to 2 decimal spaces
141     (                                           --    3.1. beginning of nested
142       SELECT                                    --         query between
143         AVG(InvoiceTotal)                       --         parenthesis to get
144                                                 --         `AVG(InvoiceTotal)`
145       FROM AP1.Invoices                         --         from table
146       ),                                        --         `AP1.Invoices`
147     2)                                          --    3.2. rounding the value
148                                                 --         the nested query to
149                                                 --         2 decimal spaces
150   AS InvoiceTotalAVG,                           -- 4. with alias
151                                                 --    `InvoiceTotalAVG` for
152                                                 --    nested query & `ROUND()`
153   PaymentTotal,
154   CreditTotal,
155   TermsID,
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156    InvoiceDueDate,
157    PaymentDate
158  FROM AP1.Invoices
159  ORDER BY VendorID,
160    InvoiceTotal;
161
162
163  /* ***************************************************************************
164      2.7. When using aggregate functions, we need to use `GROUP BY`.  Otherwise
165           we would get the following error.
166
167                     ``Msg 8120, Level 16, State 1, Line 2
168                     Column `AP1.Invoices.InvoiceID` is invalid in the select
169                     list because it is not contained in either an aggregate
170                     function or the GROUP BY clause.``
171
172           When using `GROUP BY`, we need to list each column that we are calling
173           (from `InvoiceID` to `PaymentDate`) not affected by the aggregate
174           function.
175
176           Note that `AVG(InvoiceTotal)` returns the same value as `InvoiceTotal`
177           since the average only affects a single value (`InvoiceTotal`) within
178           a single row.
179   ************************************************************************** */
180
181  SELECT InvoiceID,
182    VendorID,
183    InvoiceNumber,
184    InvoiceDate,
185    InvoiceTotal,
186    AVG(InvoiceTotal) AS InvoiceTotalAVG,          -- aggregate function `AVG()`
187                                                   -- only affecting field
188                                                   -- `AP1.Invoices.InvoiceTotal`
189    PaymentTotal,
190    CreditTotal,
191    TermsID,
192    InvoiceDueDate,
193    PaymentDate
194  FROM AP1.Invoices
195  GROUP BY                                        -- must use `GROUP BY` because
196    InvoiceID,                                    -- of the aggregate function;
197    VendorID,                                     -- no exceptions to this rule
198    InvoiceNumber,
199    InvoiceDate,
200    InvoiceTotal,
201    PaymentTotal,
202    CreditTotal,
203    TermsID,
204    InvoiceDueDate,
205    PaymentDate
206  ORDER BY VendorID,                              -- `ORDER BY` placed after
207    InvoiceTotal;                                 -- `GROUP BY`; no exceptions
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208                                                 -- to this rule
209
210
211  /* ************************************************************************
212   3. LAB #3
213
214      Write a query
215      3.1. to call all columns and values from `AP1.Vendors` any related values
216           from `AP1.ContactUpdates` (`LEFT JOIN`)
217
218                      CONCAT (
219                        AP1.ContactUpdates.FirstName,
220                        ' ',
221                        AP1.ContactUpdates.LastName
222                        ) AS ContactName
223
224      3.2. to put together `FirstName` and `LastName` in one field with alias
225           `ContactName`,
226
227                      LOWER(CONCAT (
228                        LEFT(AP1.ContactUpdates.FirstName, 1),
229                        AP1.ContactUpdates.LastName,
230                        '@',
231                        REPLACE(
232                          REPLACE(
233                            REPLACE(AP1.Vendors.VendorName, ' ', ''),
234                          '&', ''),
235                        ',', ''),
236                        '.com'
237                        )) AS ContactEmail
238
239   ************************************************************************ */
240
241  SELECT AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID,
242    CONCAT (                                        -- 1. concatenation of
243      AP1.ContactUpdates.FirstName,                 --    `FirstName`, a single
244      ' ',                                          --    space and `LastName` with
245      AP1.ContactUpdates.LastName                   --    alias `ContactName`
246      ) AS ContactName,
247    LOWER(CONCAT (                                  -- 2. concatenation of one
248        LEFT(AP1.ContactUpdates.FirstName, 1),      --    character from left of
249                                                    --    `FirstName`, `LastName`
250        AP1.ContactUpdates.LastName,                --    the `@` symbol,
251        '@',                                        --    `VendorName` after minor
252                                                    --    cleaning (#2.1 to #2.4
253                                                    --    processed from innermost
254                                                    --    to outermost function in
255                                                    --    chain)
256        REPLACE(                                    --    2.4. pass #4 of
257                                                    --         `REPLACE()` to
258                                                    --         change apostrophes
259                                                    --         (````) to no space
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                                          --         (``)
        REPLACE(                          --    2.3. pass #3 of
                                          --         `REPLACE()` to
                                          --         change commas (`,`)
                                          --         to no space (``)
          REPLACE(                        --    2.2. pass #2 of
                                          --         `REPLACE()` to
                                          --         change `&` to no
                                          --         space (``)
            REPLACE(AP1.Vendors.VendorName,  --    2.1. pass #1 of
              ' ', ''),                   --         `REPLACE()` to
                                          --         change single spaces
                                          --         (` `) to no space
                                          --         (``); processed
                                          --         from the inside out
          '&', ''),                       --    2.2. closing pass #2
        ',', ''),                         --    2.3. closing pass #3
      '''', ''),                          --    2.4. closing pass #4
      '.com'                              --    and hard-coded string
                                          --    `.com` with alias
      )) AS ContactEmail,                 --    `ContactEmail`
  AP1.Vendors.VendorName,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress1,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress2,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorCity,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorState,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorZipCode,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorPhone,
  CONCAT (                                -- 3. same as #1
    AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName,
    ' ',
    AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName
    ) AS VendorContactName,
  LOWER(CONCAT (                          -- 4. same as #2
      LEFT(AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName, 1),
      AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName,
      '@',
      REPLACE(
        REPLACE(
          REPLACE(AP1.Vendors.VendorName, ' ', ''),
        '&', ''),
      ',', ''),
      '.com'
      )) AS VendorContactEmail,
  AP1.Vendors.DefaultTermsID,
  AP1.Vendors.DefaultAccountNo
FROM AP1.Vendors
LEFT JOIN AP1.ContactUpdates
  ON AP1.Vendors.VendorID = AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID;


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312     3.3. to put together the first letter of `FirstName`, the complete
313          `LastName`, `@`, `VendorName` (removing empty spaces between words and
314          special characters like `&` and `,`) and `.com` as `ContactEmail`
315          presenting the output in lower case,
316
317                     CONCAT (
318                         AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName,
319                         ' ',
320                         AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName
321                         ) AS VendorContactName,
322
323                     LOWER(CONCAT (
324                           LEFT(AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName, 1),
325                           AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName,
326                           '@',
327                           REPLACE(
328                             REPLACE(
329                               REPLACE(AP1.Vendors.VendorName, ' ', ''),
330                             '&', ''),
331                           ',', ''),
332                           '.com'
333                           )) AS VendorContactEmail
334
335     3.4. and to put together `VendorContactFName` and `VendorContactLName` with
336          aliases `VendorContactName` and `VendorContactEmail` (like #3.2).
337   ************************************************************************** */
338
339  SELECT AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID,
340    CONCAT (                                        -- 1. concatenation of
341      AP1.ContactUpdates.FirstName,                 --    `FirstName`, a space
342      ' ',                                          --    and `LastName` with alias
343      AP1.ContactUpdates.LastName                   --    `ContactName`
344      ) AS ContactName,
345    LOWER(CONCAT (                                  -- 2. lower case of
346                                                    --    concatenation of
347        LEFT(AP1.ContactUpdates.FirstName, 1),      --    2.1. one character from
348                                                    --         the left from
349                                                    --         `FirstName`
350        -- REPLACE(AP1.ContactUpdates.LastName,     --    2.2. replacing a single
351        --  '''', ''),                              --         quote with an empty
352                                                    --         string (solution #1)
353                                                    --         commented  out
354        REPLACE(AP1.ContactUpdates.LastName,        --    2.3. replacing CHAR(39)
355          CHAR(39), ''),                            --         (single quote
356                                                    --         character) with an
357                                                    --         empty string
358                                                    --         (solution #2)
359        '@',                                        --    2.4. the at (`@`) sign
360        REPLACE(                                    --    2.5. replacing a comma
361                                                    --         with an empty string
362          REPLACE(                                  --    2.6. replacing an
363                                                    --         ampersand (`&`) with
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                                                --          an empty string
          REPLACE(AP1.Vendors.VendorName,       --    2.7. replacing a space
            ' ', ''),                           --         with an empty string
                                                --         in field
                                                --         `VendorName`
        '&', ''),                               --         * closing #2.6
      ',', ''),                                 --         * closing #2.5
      '.com'                                    --    2.8. `.com` to complete
                                                --         email
      )) AS ContactEmail,                       -- 3. with alias `ContactEmail`
  -- AP1.Vendors.VendorID AS Expr1,             -- 4. duplicate column
                                                --    commented out (excluded)
  AP1.Vendors.VendorName,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress1,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress2,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorCity,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorState,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorZipCode,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorPhone,
  CONCAT (                                      -- 5. concatenation of
    AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName,             --    `VendorContactFName`, an
    ' ',                                        --    empty space (` `),
    AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName              --    `VendorContactLName`
  ) AS VendorContactName,                       --    from table `AP1.Vendors`
                                                --    with alias
                                                --    `VendorContactName`
  LOWER(CONCAT (                                -- 6. lower case of
                                                --    concatenation of
    LEFT(AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName, 1),    --    6.1. one character from
                                                --         the left from
                                                --         `VendorContactFName`
    AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName,             --    6.2  `VendorContactLName`
      '@',                                      --    6.3. the at (`@`) sign
      REPLACE(                                  --    6.4. replacing a comma
                                                --         with an empty string
                                                --         (``)
        REPLACE(                                --    6.5. replacing an
                                                --         ampersand (`&`) with
                                                --         an empty string
          REPLACE(AP1.Vendors.VendorName,       --    6.6. replacing a space
            ' ', ''),                           --         with an empty string
                                                --         (``) in field
                                                --         `VendorName`
        '&', ''),                               --         * closing #6.5
      ',', ''),                                 --         * closing #6.4
      '.com'                                    --    6.7. `.web` to complete
                                                --         email
      )) AS VendorContactEmail,                 -- 7. with alias
                                                --    `VendorContactName`
  AP1.Vendors.DefaultTermsID,
  AP1.Vendors.DefaultAccountNo
FROM AP1.Vendors                                -- 8. from table `AP1.Vendors`
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LEFT JOIN AP1.ContactUpdates                    --    left-joined to table
                                                --    `AP1.ContactUpdates`
  ON AP1.Vendors.VendorID = AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID;
                                                --    on shared data from
                                                --    `VendorID` in tables
                                                --    `AP1.ContactUpdate`
                                                --    and `AP1.Vendors`


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    3.5. We can avoid getting a NULL when concatenating with the `+` sign using
         a `CASE` clause (a logic block).

                    CASE
                      WHEN condition1
                        THEN action1
                      WHEN condition2
                        THEN action2
                      ELSE escape_action
                    END
 **************************************************************************** */

SELECT AP1.Vendors.VendorID,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorName,
  CASE                                          -- 1. start of `CASE` clause
    WHEN AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress2 IS NOT NULL -- 2. condition #1 for clause
      THEN AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress1           -- 3. action to take if
      + AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress2              --    condition #1 is satisfied
    ELSE AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress1             -- 4. escape action when
                                                --    previous conditions fail
    END AS VendorAddress,                       -- 5. end of `CASE` clause with
                                                --    alias `VendorAddress`
  AP1.Vendors.VendorCity,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorState,
  CASE                                          -- 6. beginning of `CASE`
    WHEN AP1.Vendors.VendorZipCode IS NOT NULL  -- 7. condition #1 for clause
      THEN AP1.Vendors.VendorZipCode            -- 8. action to take if
      + '-0001'                                 --    condition #1 is satisfied
    ELSE ''                                     -- 9. escape action when
                                                --    previous conditions fail
    END AS VendorZipCodePlus4,                  -- 10. end of `CASE` clause
                                                --     with alias
                                                --     `VendorZipCodePlus4`
  AP1.Vendors.VendorPhone,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName
    + ', '
    + AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName AS VendorContactFName,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName
    + AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName AS VendorContactFName,
  AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName
    + AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName
    + '@example.com' AS VendorContactEmail,
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```
468    AP1.Vendors.DefaultTermsID,
469    AP1.Vendors.DefaultAccountNo,
470    AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID AS 'Vendor Check',
471    AP1.ContactUpdates.LastName,
472    AP1.ContactUpdates.FirstName,
473    'New Column' AS NewColumn
474  FROM AP1.Vendors
475  LEFT JOIN AP1.ContactUpdates
476    ON AP1.Vendors.VendorID = AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID;
477
478
479  /* ****************************************************************************
480      3.5. Therefore, we should use the `CONCAT()` function to avoid losing data.
481   **************************************************************************** */
482
483  SELECT AP1.Vendors.VendorID,
484    AP1.Vendors.VendorName,
485    CONCAT (                                    -- 1. concatenating fields with
486      AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress1,               --    comma between them and
487      ' ',                                      --    empty spaces (` `) for a
488      AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress2                --    logical display followed
489      ) AS VendorAddress,                       --    by an alias to name
490                                                --    column in output; no need
491                                                --    for `CASE` as in #1.3
492    AP1.Vendors.VendorCity,
493    AP1.Vendors.VendorState,
494    CONCAT (
495      AP1.Vendors.VendorZipCode,
496      '-0001'
497      ) AS VendorZipCodePlus4,
498    AP1.Vendors.VendorPhone,
499    CONCAT (
500      AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName,
501      ', ',
502      AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName
503      ) AS VendorContactFName,
504    CONCAT (
505      AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName,
506      ' ',
507      AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName
508      ) AS VendorContactFName,
509    CONCAT (
510      AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName,
511      AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName,
512      '@example.com'
513      ) AS VendorContactEmail,
514    AP1.Vendors.DefaultTermsID,
515    AP1.Vendors.DefaultAccountNo,
516    AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID AS 'Vendor Check',
517    AP1.ContactUpdates.LastName,
518    AP1.ContactUpdates.FirstName,
519    'New Column' AS NewColumn                   -- 2. value not in table, added
```

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                                                --    in the query
FROM AP1.Vendors
LEFT JOIN AP1.ContactUpdates
  ON AP1.Vendors.VendorID = AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID;
                                                -- 3. relation between the two
                                                --    tables on shared field
                                                --    `VendorID`

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