IT-234 – database concepts

UNIT 6 – USING SQL COMMANDS TO QUERY EXISTING DATA

This unit further examines the use of data manipulation language (DML) to query data in an existing database.

You will establish and work with a new database called Northwind in this unit.

A database deployment script for Northwind is provided, which you will execute within the Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS) application.

This deployment script contains both the database structures and data required for the unit assignment.

Once you have data in the tables, what can you do with it?

This leads to the fundamental purpose of a database, which is to effectively facilitate data retrieval by users.

You will examine different SQL syntax for selecting data into a result set.

There are many ways to limit and format the result set into exactly what you require.

The quandary you must overcome is to determine if the result set has returned correct results or not.

A well-formed SQL query should return something.

But you will need to analyze the results to determine if what was returned is what you asked for and if what you asked for is really what you wanted.

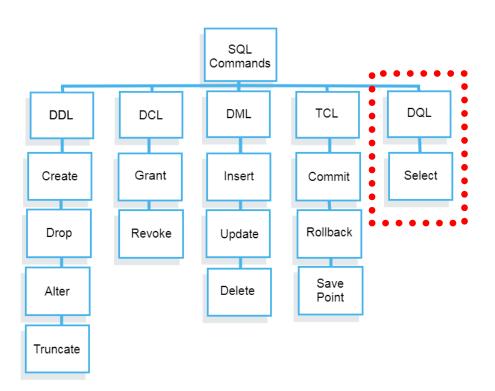
Sounds confusing at first, but do not worry; a little practice is all you will need.

After completing this unit, you should be able to:

Use DML commands to query existing tables.

Types of SQL

- Here are five types of widely used SQL queries.
 - Data Definition Language (DDL)
 - Data ManipulationLanguage (DML)
 - Data Control Language (DCL)
 - Transaction Control Language(TCL)
 - Data Query Language (DQL)



TYPES OF SQL

Data Query Language (DQL) DQL commands are basically SELECT statements.

SELECT statements let you query the database to find information in one or more tables and return the query as a result set.

A result set is an array structure; or more precisely, a result set is a two-dimensional array.

Data Query Language (DQL)

Clauses of the SELECT statement:

SELECT

 List the columns (and expressions) to be returned from the query

FROM

 Indicate the table(s) or view(s) from which data will be obtained

WHERE

Indicate the conditions under which a row will be included in the result

GROUP BY

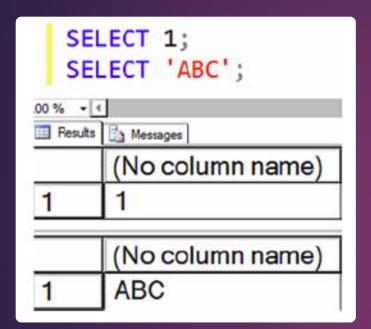
o Indicate categorization of results

HAVING

Indicate the conditions under which a category (group) will be included

ORDER BY

 Sorts the result according to specified criteria



SELECT Statements

Selecting a Literal Value

Perhaps the simplest form of a SELECT statement is that used to return a literal value. A *literal value* is one that you specify exactly. It is not data that come from the database.

Using the SELECT Statement

You use the SELECT statement to retrieve data from SQL Server. T-SQL requires only the word SELECT followed by at least one item in what is called a *select-list*.

SELECT Statements

Retrieving from a Table

You will usually want to retrieve data from a table instead of literal values. After all, if you already know what value you want, you probably don't need to execute a query to get that value.

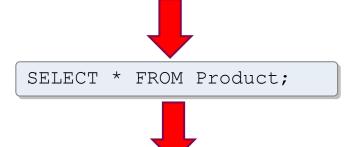
SELECT <column1>, <column2> FROM <schema>.;

USE AdventureWorks; GO SELECT BusinessEntityID, JobTitle FROM HumanResources.Employee;

	BusinessEntityID	Job⊺itle
1	1	Chief Executive Officer
2	2	Vice President of Engineering
3	3	Engineering Manager
4	4	Senior Tool Designer
5	5	Design Engineer
6	6	Design Engineer
7	7	Research and Development Manager
8	8	Research and Development Engineer
9	9	Research and Development Engineer
10	10	Research and Development Manager

Product			
ProductID	Name	ListPrice	
1	Widget	2.99	
2	Gizmo	1.79	
3	Thingybob	3.49	

Select All Columns



ProductID	Name	ListPrice
1	Widget	2.99
2	Gizmo	1.79
3	Thingybob	3.49

Product			
ProductID	Name	ListPrice	
1	Widget	2.99	
2	Gizmo	1.79	
3	Thingybob	3.49	

Select Specific Columns

SELECT Name, ListPrice FROM Product;



Name	ListPrice
Widget	2.99
Gizmo	1.79
Thingybob	3.49

Product			
ProductID	Name	ListPrice	
1	Widget	2.99	
2	Gizmo	1.79	
3	Thingybob	3.49	



SELECT Name AS Product, ListPrice * 0.9 AS SalePrice
FROM Product;

Expressions & Aliases



Product	SalePrice
Widget	2.69
Gizmo	1.61
Thingybob	3.14

Adding a WHERE Clause

To filter the rows returned from a query, you will add a where clause to your select statement. The database engine processes the where clause second, right after the FROM clause. The where clause will contain expressions, called *predicates*, that can be evaluated to TRUE, FALSE, or UNKNOWN.

Filtering Data

Usually an application requires only a fraction of the rows from a table at any given time. For example, an order-entry application that shows the order history will often need to display the orders for only one customer at a time. There might be millions of orders in the database, but the operator of the software will view only a handful of rows instead of the entire table. Filtering data is a very important part of T-SQL.

```
SELECT <column1>, <column2>
FROM <schema>.
WHERE <column> = <value>;
```

Product			
ProductID	Name	ListPrice	
1	Widget	2.99	
2	Gizmo	1.79	
3	Thingybob	3.49	



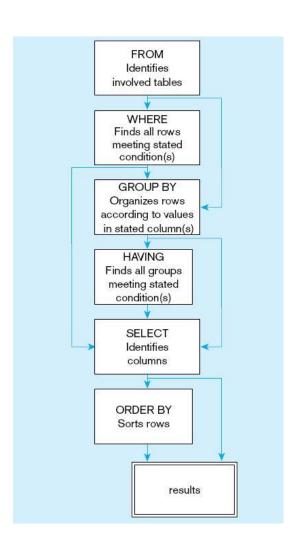
Find products with list price less than \$2.75 SELECT Name, ListPrice
FROM Product
WHERE ListPrice < 2.75;



Name	ListPrice
Gizmo	1.79

Operator	Meaning	
=	Equal to	
>	Greater than	
>=	Greater than or equal to	
<	Less than	
<=	Less than or equal to	
<>	Not equal to	
!=	Not equal to	

Comparison Operators in SQL



Data Query Language (DQL)

SQL STATEMENT PROCESSING ORDER

Working with Data Types Transact-SQL Data Types

Exact Numeric	Approximate Numeric	Character	Date/Time	Binary	Other
tinyint	float	char	date	binary	cursor
smallint	real	varchar	time	varbinary	hierarchyid
int		text	datetime	image	sql_variant
bigint		nchar	datetime2		table
bit		nvarchar	smalldatetime		timestamp
decimal/numeric		ntext	datetimeoffset		uniqueidentifier
numeric					xml
money					geography
smallmoney					geometry

SELECT statement example tables

Employee		
PK,FK1	BusinessEntityID	
U2 U1	NationalIDNumber LoginID ShiftID JobTitle BirthDate	
	MaritalStatus Gender HireDate SalariedFlag VacationHours SickLeaveHours	
U3	CurrentFlag rowguid ModifiedDate	

	SalesTerritory
PK	TerritoryID
<u>U1</u> - - - - - - <u>U2</u>	Name CountryRegionCode Group SalesYTD SalesLastYear CostYTD CostLastYear rowguid ModifiedDate
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PK,FK1	BusinessEntityID	
U1	PersonType NameStyle Title FirstName MiddleName LastName Suffix EmailPromotion AdditionalContactInfo Demographics rowguid ModifiedDate	
	SalesOrderDetail	
PK,FK1 PK,FK1 PK	BusinessEntityID SalesOrderID SalesOrderDetailID	
FK2 FK2	CarrierTrackingNumber OrderQty ProductID SpecialOfferID UnitPrice UnitPriceDiscount LineTotal	

ModifiedDate

Person

SalesOrderHeader			
PK,FK5	BusinessEntityID		
PK	SalesOrderID		
FK7	ShipMethodID		
	RevisionNumber		
	OrderDate		
	DueDate		
	ShipDate		
	Status		
	OnlineOrderFlag		
U2	SalesOrderNumber		
	PurchaseOrderNumber		
	AccountNumber		
FK6	TerritoryID		
FK1	BillToAddressID		
FK2	ShipToAddressID		
FK8	CreditCardID		
	CreditCardApprovalCode		
FK4	CurrencyRateID		
	SubTotal		
	TaxAmt		
	Freight		
	TotalDue		
	Comment		
U1	rowguid		
	ModifiedDate		

Produ	uctInventory
PK,FK2 PK,FK1	ProductID LocationID
	Shelf Bin Quantity rowguid ModifiedDate

	CustomerID	SalesOrderID
1	11000	43793
2	11000	51522
3	11000	57418
	CustomerID	SalesOrderID
1	11000	43793
	CustomerID	SalesOrderID
4	27645	43702

	CustomerID	SalesOrderID	OrderDate
1	27645	43702	2005-07-02 00:00:00.000
2	16624	43703	2005-07-02 00:00:00.000
3	11005	43704	2005-07-02 00:00:00.000
4	11011	43705	2005-07-02 00:00:00.000

	BusinessEntityID	LoginID	JobTitle
1	1	adventure-works\ken0	Chief Executive Officer

```
--1
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE CustomerID = 11000;

--2
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE SalesOrderID = 43793;

--3
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE OrderDate = '2005-07-02';

--4
SELECT BusinessEntityID, LoginID, JobTitle
FROM HumanResources.Employee
WHERE JobTitle = 'Chief Executive Officer';
```

SELECT Statement Examples

Using WHERE Clauses with Alternate Operators

Within WHERE clause expressions, you can use many comparison operators, not just the equals sign. Books Online lists the following operators:

```
> (greater than)
< (less than)
= (equals)
<= (less than or equal to)
>= (greater than or equal to)
!= (not equal to)
<> (not equal to)
!< (not less than)
!> (not greater than)
```

```
--Using a DateTime column
--1
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
FROM Sales SalesOrderHeader
WHERE OrderDate > '2005-07-05';
--2
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE OrderDate < '2005-07-05';
--3
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE OrderDate >= '2005-07-05';
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE OrderDate <> '2005-07-05';
```

SELECT Statement examples

```
--Using a string column
                                              SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
--10
                                              FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
SELECT BusinessEntityID, FirstName
                                              WHERE OrderDate != '2005-07-05';
FROM Person.Person
WHERE FirstName <> 'Catherine';
                                              --Using a number column
                                              SELECT SalesOrderID, SalesOrderDetailID, OrderQty
--11
                                              FROM Sales.SalesOrderDetail
SELECT BusinessEntityID, FirstName
                                              WHERE OrderQty > 10;
FROM Person.Person
WHERE FirstName != 'Catherine';
                                              SELECT SalesOrderID, SalesOrderDetailID, OrderQty
                                              FROM Sales.SalesOrderDetail
--12
                                              WHERE OrderQty <= 10;
SELECT BusinessEntityID,
FROM Person.Person
                                              SELECT SalesOrderID, SalesOrderDetailID, OrderQty
WHERE FirstName > 'M':
                                              FROM Sales.SalesOrderDetail
                                              WHERE OrderQty <> 10;
--13
SELECT BusinessEntityID,
                                              SELECT SalesOrderID, SalesOrderDetailID, OrderOtv
FROM Person.Person
                                              FROM Sales.SalesOrderDetail
WHERE FirstName !> 'M';
                                              WHERE OrderQty != 10;
```

SELECT Statement Examples

Using BETWEEN

BETWEEN is another useful operator you can use in the WHERE clause to specify an inclusive range of values. It is frequently used with dates but can be used with string and numeric data as well. Here is the syntax for BETWEEN:

```
SELECT <column1>,<column2>
FROM <schema>.
WHERE <column> BETWEEN <value1> AND <value2>;
```

	CustomerID	Sale	esOrderID	OrderDate	
1	27645	437	02	2005-07-02 (00:00:00.000
2	16624	437	03	2005-07-02 (00:00:00:00
3	11005	437	04	2005-07-02 (00:00:00:00
4	11011	437	05	2005-07-02 (00:00:00:00
	CustomerID	Sale	sOrderID	OrderDate	
1	25000	73018		2008-06-15 (00:00:00:00
2	25001	616	62	2008-01-08 (00:00:00:00
3	25002	613	97	2008-01-03 (000:00:00
4	25003	60269		2007-12-18 (00:00:00:00
	BusinessEntit	ylD	JobTitle		
1	1		Chief Executive Officer]
2	5		Design Engineer		
3	6		Design Engineer]
4	15		Design Er	ngineer]

```
--1
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE OrderDate BETWEEN '2005-07-02' AND '2005-07-04';

--2
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE CustomerID BETWEEN 25000 AND 25005;

--3
SELECT BusinessEntityID, JobTitle
FROM HumanResources.Employee
WHERE JobTitle BETWEEN 'C' and 'E';
```

Using BETWEEN with NOT

To find values outside a particular range of values, you write the WHERE clause expression using BETWEEN along with the NOT keyword. In this case, the query returns any rows outside the range.

	CustomerID	Sale	sOrderID	OrderDate	
1	27645	437	02	2005-07-02 00:00:00.00	
2	16624	437	03	2005-07-02	00:00:00:00
3	11005	437	04	2005-07-02 (00:00:00:00
4	11011	43705		2005-07-02 00:00:00.000	
	CustomerID	SalesOrderID		OrderDate	
1	25000	73018		2008-06-15 (00:00:00:00
2	25001	61662		2008-01-08 (00:00:00:00
3	25002	61397		2008-01-03 (00:00:00:00
4	25003	60269		2007-12-18 (00:00:00.000
	BusinessEntit	ylD	JobTitle		
1	BusinessEntit	ylD		cutive Officer	

	BusinessEntityID	JobTitle
1	1	Chief Executive Officer
2	5	Design Engineer
3	6	Design Engineer
4	15	Design Engineer

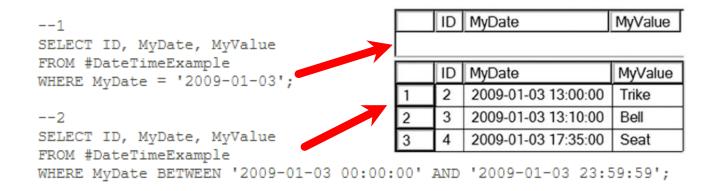
```
--1
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE OrderDate NOT BETWEEN '2005-07-02' AND '2005-07-04';
--2
SELECT CustomerID, SalesOrderID, OrderDate
FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader
WHERE CustomerID NOT BETWEEN 25000 AND 25005;
--3
SELECT BusinessEntityID, JobTitle
FROM HumanResources.Employee
WHERE JobTitle NOT BETWEEN 'C' and 'E';
```

SELECT Statements

THE RECORDS BELOW WILL NOT BE IN THE RESULT SETS!!!!

Filtering on Date and Time

Some temporal data columns store the time as well as the date. If you attempt to filter on such a column specifying only the date, you may retrieve incomplete results.



Using WHERE Clauses with Two Predicates

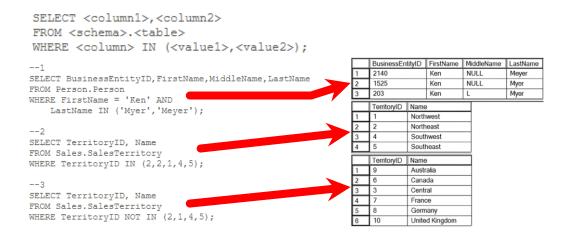
So far, the examples have shown only one condition or predicate in the WHERE clause, but the WHERE clause can be much more complex. They can have multiple predicates by using the logical operators AND and OR.

	BusinessEntityID	FirstName	MiddleName	LastName
1	1525	Ken	NULL	Myer
2	203	Ken	L	Myer
	BusinessEntityID	FirstName	MiddleName	LastName
1	1459	Deanna	NULL	Meyer
2	1455	Eric	B.	Meyer
3	1457	Helen	M.	Meyer
4	2140	Ken	NULL	Meyer
5	1523	Dorothy	J.	Myer
6	1525	Ken	NULL	Myer
7	203	Ken	L	Myer
8	2319	Linda	NULL	Myer

```
--1
SELECT BusinessEntityID, FirstName, MiddleName, LastName
FROM Person.Person
WHERE FirstName = 'Ken' AND LastName = 'Myer';
--2
SELECT BusinessEntityID, FirstName, MiddleName, LastName
FROM Person.Person
WHERE LastName = 'Myer' OR LastName = 'Meyer';
```

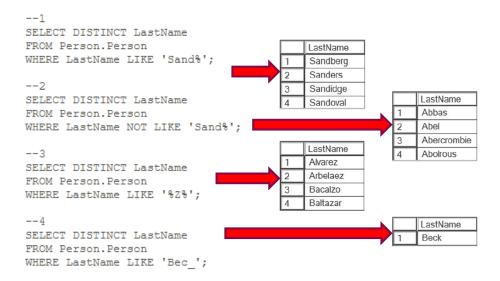
Using the IN Operator

The IN operator is very useful when a set of multiple values must be compared to the same column. Follow the IN operator with a list of possible values for a column within parentheses. Here is the syntax:



Using LIKE

Pattern matching is possible by using the LIKE operator in the expression instead of equal to (=) or one of the other operators. Most of the time, the percent sign (§) is used as a wildcard along with LIKE to represent zero or more characters. You will also see the underscore (_) used as a wildcard to replace exactly one character, but it's not used as often.



NULL and three-valued logic

In the database world, NULL is used to indicate the absence of any data value. For example, at the time of recording the customer information, the email may be unknown, so it is recorded as NULL in the database.

Normally, the result of a logical expression is TRUE or FALSE. However, when NULL is involved in the logical evaluation, the result is UNKNOWN. This is called a three-valued logic: TRUE, FALSE, and UNKNOWN.

The results of the following comparisons are UNKNOWN:

NULL = 0

NULL <> 0

NULL > 0

NULL = NULL

The syntax for the IS NULL condition in SQL Server (Transact-SQL) is:

expression IS NULL

- . If expression is a NULL value, the condition evaluates to TRUE.
- . If expression is not a NULL value, the condition evaluates to FALSE.

The syntax for the IS NOT NULL condition in SQL Server (Transact-SQL) is:

expression IS NOT NULL

- If expression is NOT a NULL value, the condition evaluates to TRUE.
- . If expression is a NULL value, the condition evaluates to FALSE.

An Example Illustrating NULL

```
--1 Returns 19,972 rows

SELECT MiddleName
FROM Person.Person;

--2 Returns 291 rows

SELECT MiddleName
FROM Person.Person
WHERE MiddleName = 'B';

--4 Returns 19,681
SELECT MiddleName
FROM Person.Person
WHERE MiddleName != 'B';

--4 Returns 19,681
SELECT MiddleName
FROM Person.Person
WHERE MiddleName
FROM Person.Person
WHERE MiddleName IS NULL
OR MiddleName !='B';
```

Sorting Data

You can specify one or more columns in the order BY clause separated by commas. The sort order is ascending by default, but you can specify descending order by using the keyword DESCENDING or DESC after the column name. You can also specify ASCENDING or ASC if you wish, but the sort order is ascending by default. Here is the syntax for ORDER BY:

ProductID LocationID

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```
SELECT <column1>,<column2>
FROM <schema>.<tablename>
ORDER BY <column1>[<sort direction>],<column2> [<sort direction>]
```

FROM Production.ProductInventory ORDER BY LocationID;	
2	
SELECT ProductID, LocationID	
FROM Production.ProductInventory ORDER BY ProductID. LocationID DE	
OKDEK BY ProductID, LocationID DE	5C:

SELECT ProductID, LocationID

	ProductID	LocationID
1	1	50
2	1	6
3	1	1
4	2	50
5	2	6
6	2	1
7	3	50
8	3	6
9	3	1

Sometimes, you may want to get only distinct values in a specified column of a table.

To do this, you use the SELECT DISTINCT clause as follows:

```
SELECT DISTINCT

column_name

FROM

table_name;
```

The query returns only distinct values in the specified column.

In other words, it removes the duplicate values in the column from the result set.

If you use multiple columns as follows:

The query uses the combination of values in all specified columns in the SELECT list to evaluate the uniqueness.

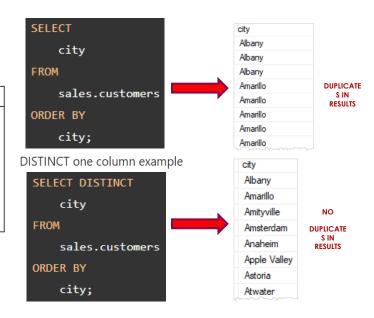
```
SELECT DISTINCT
        column name1,
        column name2 ,
FROM
        table name;
```

If you apply the DISTINCT clause to a column that has NULL, the DISTINCT clause will keep only one NULL and eliminates the other.

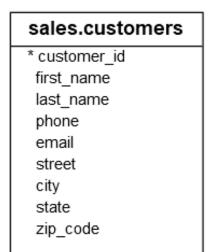
In other words, the DISTINCT clause treats all NULL "values" as the same value.

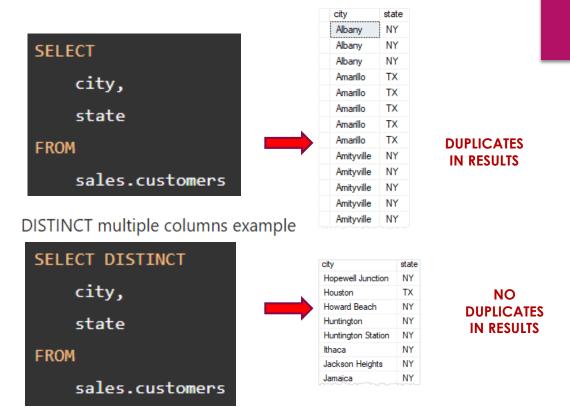
sales.customers

* customer_id first_name last_name phone email street city state zip_code



Distinct clause examples

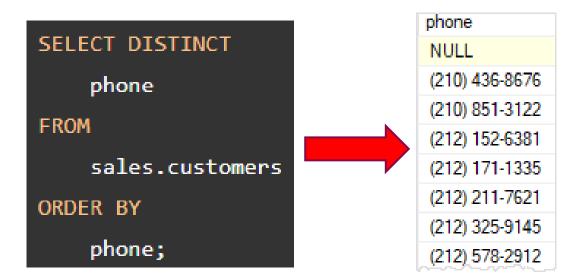




Distinct clause examples

DISTINCT with null values example

* customer_id first_name last_name phone email street city state zip_code



Distinct clause examples

An aggregate function performs a calculation one or more values and returns a single value.

The aggregate function is often used with the GROUP BY clause and HAVING clause of the SELECT statement.

Aggregate functions

Aggregate functions

- The most commonly used aggregate functions are:
 - COUNT counts the number of elements in the group defined
 - SUM calculates the sum of the given attribute/expression in the group defined
 - AVG calculates the average value of the given attribute/expression in the group defined
 - MIN finds the minimum in the group defined
 - MAX finds the maximum in the group defined

production.products

* product_id product_name brand_id category_id model_year list_price



Aggregate function examples

product_id, SUM(quantity) stock_count FROM production.stocks GROUP BY product_id ORDER BY stock_count DESC;

production.stocks

* store_id

quantity

* product_id

stock_count

product_id

Aggregate function examples