PostgreSQL CHEAT SHEET

QUERYING DATA FROM A TABLE

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t; Query data in columns c1, c2 from a table

SELECT * FROM t; Query all rows and columns from a table

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t WHERE condition; Query data and filter rows with a condition

SELECT DISTINCT c1 FROM t WHERE condition; Query distinct rows from a table

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t ORDER BY c1 ASC [DESC]; Sort the result set in ascending or descending order

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t ORDER BY c1 LIMIT n OFFSET offset; Skip *offset* of rows and return the next n rows

SELECT c1, aggregate(c2) FROM t GROUP BY c1; Group rows using an aggregate function

SELECT c1, aggregate(c2) FROM t GROUP BY c1 HAVING condition; Filter groups using HAVING clause

QUERYING FROM MULTIPLE TABLES

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 INNER JOIN t2 ON condition; Inner join t1 and t2

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 LEFT JOIN t2 ON condition; Left join t1 and t1

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 RIGHT JOIN t2 ON condition; Right join t1 and t2

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 FULL OUTER JOIN t2 ON condition; Perform full outer join

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 CROSS JOIN t2; Produce a Cartesian product of rows in tables

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1, t2; Another way to perform cross join

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 A INNER JOIN t2 B ON condition; Join t1 to itself using INNER JOIN clause

USING SQL OPERATORS

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 UNION [ALL] SELECT c1, c2 FROM t2; Combine rows from two queries

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 INTERSECT SELECT c1, c2 FROM t2; Return the intersection of two queries

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 EXCEPT SELECT c1, c2 FROM t2; Subtract a result set from another result set

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t1 WHERE c1 [NOT] LIKE pattern; Query rows using pattern matching %, _

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t WHERE c1 [NOT] IN value_list; Query rows in a list

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t WHERE c1 BETWEEN low AND high; Query rows between two values

SELECT c1, c2 FROM t WHERE c1 IS [NOT] NULL; Check if values in a table is NULL or not



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MANAGING TABLES

CREATE TABLE t (id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY, name VARCHAR NOT NULL, price NUMERIC(10,2) DEFAULT 0

); Create a new table with three columns

DROP TABLE t CASCADE; Delete the table from the database

ALTER TABLE t ADD column; Add a new column to the table

ALTER TABLE t DROP COLUMN c ; Drop column c from the table

ALTER TABLE t ADD constraint; Add a constraint

ALTER TABLE t DROP constraint; Drop a constraint

ALTER TABLE t1 RENAME TO t2; Rename a table from t1 to t2

ALTER TABLE t1 RENAME c1 TO c2 ; Rename column c1 to c2

TRUNCATE TABLE t CASCADE; Remove all data in a table

USING SQL CONSTRAINTS

CREATE TABLE t(c1 INT, c2 INT, c3 VARCHAR, PRIMARY KEY (c1,c2));

Set c1 and c2 as a primary key

CREATE TABLE t1(c1 SERIAL PRIMARY KEY, c2 INT, FOREIGN KEY (c2) REFERENCES t2(c2)); Set c2 column as a foreign key

CREATE TABLE t(c1 INT, c1 INT, UNIQUE(c2,c3)

); Make the values in c1 and c2 unique

CREATE TABLE t(c1 INT, c2 INT, CHECK(c1> 0 AND c1 >= c2)); Ensure c1 > 0 and values in c1 >= c2

CREATE TABLE t(c1 SERIAL PRIMARY KEY, c2 VARCHAR NOT NULL);

Set values in c2 column not NULL

MODIFYING DATA

INSERT INTO t(column_list) VALUES(value_list); Insert one row into a table

INSERT INTO t(column_list) VALUES (value_list), (value_list),; Insert multiple rows into a table

INSERT INTO t1(column_list) SELECT column_list FROM t2; Insert rows from t2 into t1

UPDATE t SET c1 = new_value; Update new value in the column c1 for all rows

UPDATE t SET c1 = new_value, c2 = new_value WHERE condition; Update values in the column c1, c2 that match the condition

DELETE FROM t; Delete all data in a table

DELETE FROM t WHERE condition; Delete subset of rows in a table

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MANAGING VIEWS

CREATE VIEW v(c1,c2) AS SELECT c1, c2 FROM t; Create a new view that consists of c1 and c2

CREATE VIEW v(c1,c2) AS SELECT c1, c2 FROM t; WITH [CASCADED | LOCAL] CHECK OPTION; Create a new view with check option

CREATE RECURSIVE VIEW v AS select-statement -- anchor part UNION [ALL] select-statement; -- recursive part Create a recursive view

CREATE TEMPORARY VIEW v AS SELECT c1, c2 FROM t; Create a temporary view

DROP VIEW view_name; Delete a view

MANAGING INDEXES

CREATE INDEX idx_name ON t(c1,c2); Create an index on c1 and c2 of the table t

CREATE UNIQUE INDEX idx_name ON t(c3,c4); Create a unique index on c3, c4 of the table t

DROP INDEX idx_name; Drop an index

SQL AGGREGATE FUNCTIONS

AVG returns the average of a list COUNT returns the number of elements of a list SUM returns the total of a list MAX returns the maximum value in a list MIN returns the minimum value in a list

MANAGING TRIGGERS

CREATE OR MODIFY TRIGGER trigger_name WHEN EVENT ON table_name TRIGGER_TYPE EXECUTE stored_procedure; Create or modify a trigger

WHEN

- **BEFORE** invoke before the event occurs
- AFTER invoke after the event occurs

EVENT

- **INSERT** invoke for INSERT
- UPDATE invoke for UPDATE
- **DELETE** invoke for DELETE

TRIGGER_TYPE

- FOR EACH ROW
- FOR EACH STATEMENT

CREATE TRIGGER before_insert_person BEFORE INSERT ON person FOR EACH ROW EXECUTE stored_procedure;

Create a trigger invoked before a new row is inserted into the person table

DROP TRIGGER trigger_name; Delete a specific trigger

