

SQL SERVER 2012 FOR DEVELOPERS

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INTRODUCING SQL SERVER 2012 TRANSACT-SQL IMPROVEMENTS

- Query Pagination
- OVER Clause Windowing
- Sequences
- Enhanced Function Library
- General T-SQL-Related Enhancements

QUERY PAGINATION

- Common application requirement to retrieve rows
 - For a given page
 - For a given page length

```
CREATE PROC Production.GetPagedProductsByColor
(
    @PageNumber INT = 1, -- Default to first page
    @RowsPerPage INT = 10 -- Default to 10 rows per page
)
AS BEGIN
    DECLARE @RowsToSkip INT = @RowsPerPage * (@PageNumber - 1);

    SELECT ProductID, Name, Color, Size
    FROM Production.Product
    ORDER BY Color, ProductID ASC
    OFFSET @RowsToSkip ROWS -- New ORDER BY options
    FETCH NEXT @RowsPerPage ROWS ONLY;
END;
```

OVER CLAUSE WINDOWING

- Some existing queries do not optimize well
- Example: Details of orders and days since previous order of each product

-- Traditional approach

```
SELECT rs.ProductKey, rs.OrderDateKey, rs.SalesOrderNumber,  
rs.OrderDateKey - (SELECT TOP(1) prev.OrderDateKey  
FROM dbo.FactResellerSales AS prev  
WHERE rs.ProductKey = prev.ProductKey  
AND prev.OrderDateKey <= rs.OrderDateKey  
AND prev.SalesOrderNumber < rs.SalesOrderNumber  
ORDER BY prev.OrderDateKey DESC,  
prev.SalesOrderNumber DESC)  
AS DaysSincePrevOrder  
FROM dbo.FactResellerSales AS rs  
ORDER BY rs.ProductKey, rs.OrderDateKey, rs.SalesOrderNumber;
```

OVER CLAUSE WINDOWING

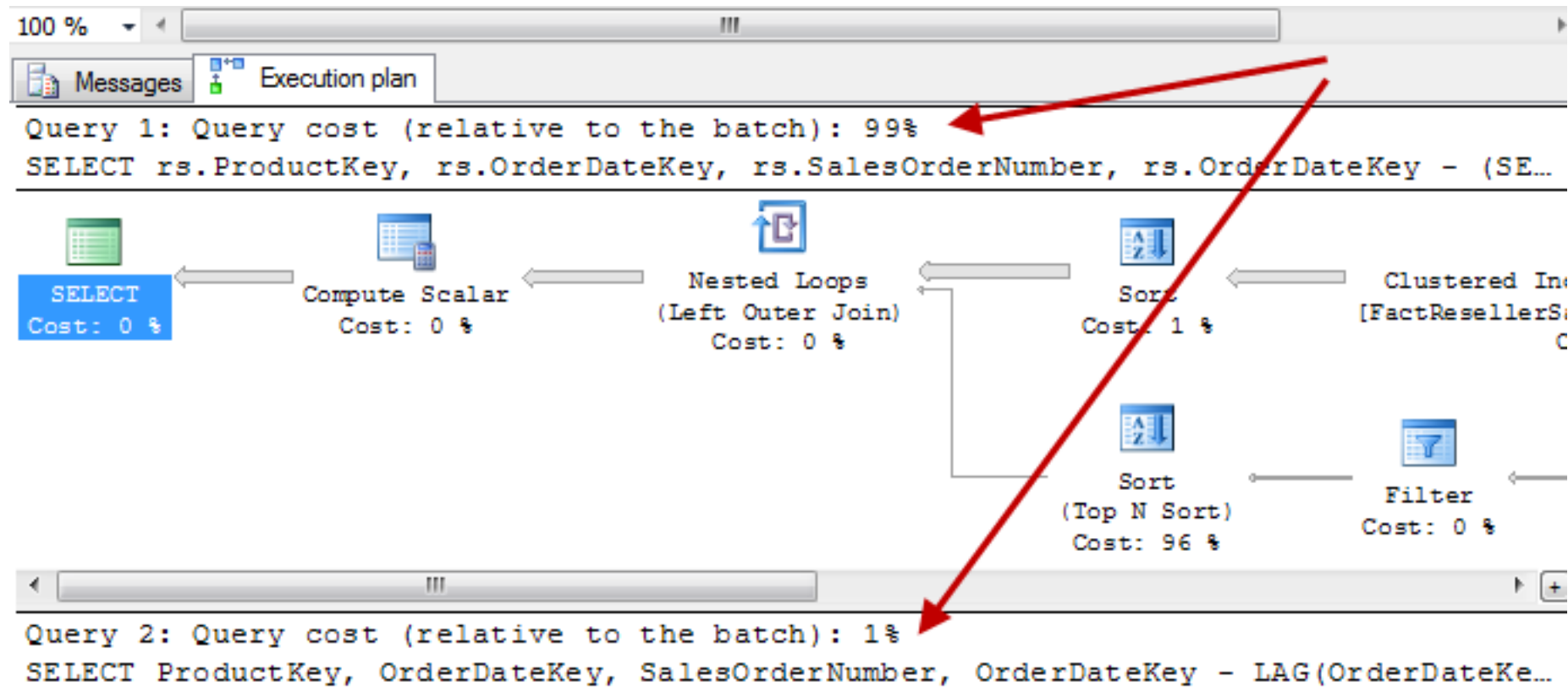
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-- windowed approach

```
SELECT ProductKey, OrderDateKey, SalesOrderNumber,  
OrderDateKey - LAG(OrderDateKey)  
OVER (PARTITION BY ProductKey  
ORDER BY OrderDateKey, SalesOrderNumber)  
AS DaysSincePrevOrder  
FROM dbo.FactResellerSales AS rs  
ORDER BY ProductKey, OrderDateKey, SalesOrderNumber;
```

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SEQUENCES

- User-defined object
- Not tied to any particular table
- Not restricted to being used in a single table
- Eases migration from other database engines

```
CREATE SEQUENCE Booking.BookingID AS INT  
START WITH 20001  
INCREMENT BY 10;
```

```
CREATE TABLE Booking.FlightBooking  
(FlightBookingID INT PRIMARY KEY CLUSTERED  
DEFAULT (NEXT VALUE FOR Booking.BookingID),  
...)
```


ENHANCED FUNCTION LIBRARY

- New functions added

Conversion	Date and Time	Logical and String	Analytic
PARSE	DATEFROMPARTS	CHOOSE	CUME_DIST
TRY_PARSE	TIMEFROMPARTS	IIF	PERCENTILE_DIST
TRY_CONVERT	DATETIMEFROMPARTS	CONCAT	PERCENTILE_CONT
	DATETIME2FROMPARTS	FORMAT	PERCENT_RANK
	SMALLDATETIMEFROMPARTS		FIRST_VALUE
	DATETIMEOFFSETFROMPARTS		LAST_VALUE
	EOMONTH		LEAD
			LAG

- LOG function now supports an optional base

GENERAL T-SQL-RELATED ENHANCEMENTS

- Enhanced UTF-16 Support
 - Support for supplementary character (SC) collations
 - Supported on nchar, nvarchar, nvarchar(max) and sql_variant
 - Used for characters with codepoint values larger than 0xFFFF
 - Requires two consecutive 16 bit words
 - Example: Japanese_Bushu_Kakusu_100_CI_AS_SC
- THROW statement
 - Can throw user-errors
 - Can rethrow any errors in a CATCH block (including system errors)
- Extended Events supports many new events
 - Mostly relating to memory page allocation

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