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Expressions - Aggregations on the Fly

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Summary

*The 'on the fly' Pattern Match aggregation function now supports the * wildcard.*

The **Pattern Match** feature of 'on the fly' aggregations was introduced in Q4 2018 and is accessed through the Expression window in the same way that existing on the fly aggregations are.

This function means that a set of transactional patterns can be specified in order of priority, so that we can then identify records with that same pattern of transactions. We might, for instance, want to find people who have purchased 3 of the same policies in a row or Policy A, then B, then C and finally D.

- **It is now possible to use the * wildcard with this function**

The introduction of the * wildcard allows you to specify and find a desired sequence of transactions – e.g. (Policy A - * - Policy B) that a customer should have purchased Policy A first, followed by Policy B ; it does not matter how many other policies fall in between, nor does it matter what the other policies are – as long as there is a sequence of Policy A followed by Policy B.

The * wildcard behaviour is the same as that seen when using Text variables.

For more information and examples of using this function, see ***Pattern Match Aggregations 'on the fly' – Software Release 2018 Q4.***