SQL

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- In SQL, a VIEW is a <u>virtual table</u> based on the In SQL, result-set of a SELECT statement.
- Views are database objects which contain no data of its own.
- The fields in a view are fields from one or more real tables in the database. You can add SQL functions, WHERE, and JOIN statements to a view and present the data as if the data were coming from a single table.
- User cannot distinguish between a table and a view.
- Views restricts access to the database.

Syntax:

CREATE VIEW view_name
AS SELECT column_name(s) FROM) FROM table_name
WHERE condition

Example:

CREATE VIEW dept20 AS SELECT * FROM emp WHERE deptno=20;

SELECT * FROM dept20;

Example:

CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW empview
(eno, dno, ename, sal, dname)
AS SELECT empno, emp.deptno, ename, sal, dname
FROM emp, dept
WHERE emp.deptno = dept.deptno;

Manipulating the Base Table thru View is possible if:

- There are no aggregate functions
- No DISTINCT is used
- No GROUP BY or HAVING

Example: (Read only View)

CREATE VIEW empview (empno, tot) AS SELECT empno, count(*) FROM incr GROUP BY empno;

With Check Options

CREATE VIEW empdept AS SELECT empno, ename, deptno FROM emp WHERE deptno=30 WITH CHECK OPTION;

It will not allow to insert the following row:

INSERT INTO empdept VALUES (1234, 'JAMILA', 20)

Updatable Views

FIGURE 7.26 CREATING AN UPDATABLE VIEW IN ORACLE

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SQL> CREATE VIEW PSUUPD AS (
 2 SELECT PRODMASTER.PROD ID, PRODMASTER.PROD QOH, PRODSALES.PS QTY
 3 FROM PRODMASTER, PRODSALES
  4 WHERE PRODMASTER.PROD ID = PRODSALES.PROD ID);
View created.
SQL>
SQL> SELECT * FROM PSUUPD:
PROD
      PROD_QOH PS_QTY
A123 67
     37
BX34
SQL>
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Updatable Views

FIGURE 7.27 PRODMASTER TABLE UPDATE, USING AN UPDATABLE VIEW

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Oracle SQL*Plus
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SQL> SELECT * FROM PRODMASTER;
PROD PROD_DESC PROD_QOH
A123 SCREWS
                                67
BX34 HUTS
                                37
C583 BOLTS
                                50
SQL> SELECT * FROM PRODSALES;
PROD PS QTY
A123 7
BX34 3
SQL> UPDATE PSUUPD
2 SET PROD_QOH = PROD_QOH - PS_QTY;
2 rows updated.
SQL> SELECT * FROM PRODMASTER;
PROD PROD DESC
                PROD_QOH
A123 SCREWS
                                69
BX34 HUTS
                                34
C583 BOLTS
                                50
SQL>
```

GRANT

Granting Privileges on Columns

INSERT, UPDATE or REFERENCES privileges can be granted on individual columns

Example:

GRANT UPDATE (acct_no) ON accts TO user1;

Data dictionary

Contains info about:

- users and their privileges,
- tables, table columns and their data types, integrity constraints, indexes,
- statistics about tables and indexes used by the optimizer,
- privileges granted on database objects,
- storage structures of the database.

Data Dictionary

- select * from DICT selects all tables / views of data dictionary accessible to the user
- Select * from tab ??
- Select * from col ??

- The views provided by the data dictionary are divided into three groups: USER, ALL, and DBA.
- The group name builds the prefix for each view name.
- These are explained below:

- USER: Tuples in the USER views contain information about objects owned by the account performing the SQL query (current user)
- USER_TABLES all tables with their name, number of columns, storage information, statistical information etc. (TABS)
- USER_CATALOG tables, views, and synonyms (CAT)
- USER COL COMMENTS comments on columns
- USER CONSTRAINTS constraint definitions for tables
- USER_INDEXES all information about indexes created for tables (IND)
- USER_OBJECTS all database objects owned by the user (OBJ)
- USER_TAB_COLUMNS columns of the tables and views owned by the user (COLS)
- USER_TAB_COMMENTS comments on tables and views.
- USER_TRIGGERS triggers defined by the user
- USER_USERS information about the current user
- USER_VIEWS views defined by the user

- ALL: Rows in the ALL views include rows of the USER views and all information about objects that are accessible to the current user. The structure of these views is analogous to the structure of the USER views.
- ALL_CATALOG owner, name and type of all accessible tables, views, and synonyms
- ALL_TABLES owner and name of all accessible tables
- ALL_OBJECTS owner, type, and name of accessible database objects
- ALL TRIGGERS . . .
- ALL USERS....
- ALL VIEWS . . .

- DBA: The DBA views encompass information about all database objects, regardless of the owner. Only users with DBA privileges can access these views.
- DBA_TABLES tables of all users in the database
- DBA_CATALOG tables, views, and synonyms defined in the database
- DBA_OBJECTS object of all users
- DBA_DATA_FILES information about data files
- DBA_USERS information about all users known in the database

ROWID

Every tuple in a database has a pseudo-column ROWID that is used to identify tuples.

Example:

To select a particular row (2nd) –

Select * from emp a where 2=(select count(rowid) from emp b where a.rowid>=b.rowid);

To select a range of rows (91 to 100) -

Select * from (select ename,rownum rn from emp where rownum<101) where rn between 91 and 100;

Rowid

Every tuple in a database has a pseudo-column ROWID that is used to identify tuples.

Example: Assume we want to add an integrity constraint to our table EMP which requires

that each manager must earn more than 4000: alter table EMP add constraint manager_sal check(JOB = 'MANAGER' or SAL >= 4000) exceptions into EXCEPTIONS;

If the table EMP already contains tuples that violate the constraint, the constraint cannot be activated and information about violating tuples is automatically inserted into the table EXCEPTIONS.

Finding violating tuples

 Detailed information about the violating tuples can be obtained by joining the tables EMP and EXCEPTIONS, based on the join attribute ROWID:

select EMP. *, CONSTRAINT from EMP, EXCEPTIONS where EMP.ROWID = EXCEPTIONS.ROW ID;

 Before this table can be used, it must be created using the SQL script utlexcept.sql which can be found in the directory \$ORACLE HOME/rdbms/admin.

Dropping tables with enabled constraints

- If a table is used as a reference of a foreign key, this table can only be dropped using the command drop table cascade constraints;
- Information about integrity constraints, their status (enabled, disabled) etc. is stored in the data dictionary, more precisely, in the tables USER_CONSTRAINTS and USER_CONS_CONSTRAINTS.

Procedures

- Extension to standard SQL
- Basic construct Block
- Can declare constants and variables
- Variables can store query results
- Can process query results one row at a time using Cursors

Structure of a procedure

```
[<Block header>]
[declare
<Constants>
<Variables>
<Cursors>
<User defined exceptions>]
begin
<PL/SQL statements>
exception
<Exception handling>]
end;
```

Example

FIGURE 7.28 ANONYMOUS PL/SQL BLOCK EXAMPLES

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SQL> BEGIN
  2 INSERT INTO VENDOR
  3 VALUES (25678, 'Hicrosoft Corp.', 'Bill Gates', '765', '546-8484', 'WA', 'N');
  4 END:
  5
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
SQL>
SQL> BEGIN
     INSERT INTO VENDOR
     UALUES (25772, 'Clue Store', 'Issac Hayes', '456', '323-2009', 'UA', 'N');
     DBMS_OUTPUT_PUT_LINE('New Vendor Added!');
  5 END;
  6 /
New Vendor Added?
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
SQL> SELECT * FROM UENDOR;
    U CODE U NAME
                                                    V CONTACT
                                                                     U A U PHONE U U
     21225 Bryson, Inc.
                                                    Smithson
                                                                    615 223-3234 TH Y
                                                                 904 215-8995 FL N
615 228-3245 TN Y
615 889-2546 KY N
901 678-1419 GA N
901 678-3998 GA Y
                                                    Flushing
     21226 SuperLoo, Inc.
     21231 D&E Supply
                                                    Singh
                                                   Ortega
     21344 Gomez Bros.
     22567 Dome Supplu
                                                    Smith
     23119 Randsets Ltd.
                                                    Anderson
                                                                  615 228-1410 TN N
615 898-1234 TN Y
     24004 Brackman Bros.
                                                    Browning
                                                   Hakford
     24288 ORDVA, Inc.
                                                                    904 227-0093 FL N
     25443 B&K, Inc.
                                                    Smith
                                                                   615 898-3529 TH N
     25501 Damal Supplies
                                                    Smythe
     25595 Rubicon Systems
                                                   Bill Gates 765 546-8484 WA N
Issac Hayes 456 323-2809 WA N
                                                                    904 456-0092 FL Y
     25678 Microsoft Corp.
     25772 Clue Store
13 rows selected.
SQL>
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Show Errors

 Can help diagnose errors found in PL/SQL blocks

 Yields additional debugging information whenever an error is generated after an PL/SQL block is created or executed

Using variables

FIGURE 7.29 ANONYMOUS PL/SQL BLOCK WITH VARIABLES AND LOOPS

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2 Oracle SQL*Plus
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SOL> DECLARE
  2 W P1 NUMBER(3) := 0;
  3 W P2 HUMBER(3) := 10;
  4 W NUM NUMBER(2) := 0;
  5 BEGIN
    WHILE W P2 < 300 LOOP
        SELECT COUNT(P CODE) INTO W NUM FROM PRODUCT
        WHERE P PRICE BETWEEN W P1 AND W P2;
        DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE('There are ' | | W NUM || ' Products with price between ' || W P1 || ' and ' || W P2);
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        W P1 := W P2 + 1;
        W P2 := W P2 + 50;
 12 END LOOP;
 13 END;
 14 /
There are 5 Products with price between 0 and 10
There are 6 Products with price between 11 and 60
There are 3 Products with price between 61 and 110
There are 1 Products with price between 111 and 168
There are 0 Products with price between 161 and 210
There are 1 Products with price between 211 and 260
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
SQL>
```

Cursors

cursor <cursor name> [(<list of parameters>)] is <select
statement>;

Example: We want to retrieve the following attribute values from the table EMP in a tuple oriented way: the job title and name of those employees who have been hired after a given date, and who have a manager working in a given department.

cursor employee_cur (start_date date, dno number) is
select JOB, ENAME from EMP E where HIREDATE >
 start_date and exists (select * from EMP where
 E.MGR = EMPNO and DEPTNO = dno);

Triggers

- Triggers provide a procedural technique to specify and maintain integrity constraints.
- Essentially a PL/SQL procedure
- Such a procedure is associated with a table and is automatically called by the database system whenever a certain modification (event) occurs on that table.
- Modifications on a table may include insert, update, and delete operations

Trigger Definitions

A trigger definition consists of the following (optional) components:

trigger name

create [or replace] trigger <trigger name>

trigger time point

before | after

triggering event(s)

insert or update [of <column(s)>] or delete on

trigger type (optional)

for each row

trigger restriction (only for for each row triggers!)

when (<condition>)

trigger body

<PL/SQL block>

Row and Statement triggers

- A row trigger executes once for each row after (before) the event.
- A statement trigger is executed once after (before) the event, independent of how many rows are affected by the event
- 12 possible combinations

event	trigger time point		trigger type	
	before	after	statement	row
insert	Х	Х	Х	Х
update	Х	Х	Х	Х
delete	Х	Х	Х	Х

Example

FIGURE 7.31 CREATING THE TRG_PRODUCT_REORDER TRIGGER

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SQL> CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER TRG_PRODUCT_REORDER

2 AFTER INSERT OR UPDATE OF P_ONHAND ON PRODUCT

3 BEGIN

4 UPDATE PRODUCT

5 SET P_REORDER = 1

6 WHERE P_ONHAND <= P_MIN;

7 END;

8 /

Trigger created.

SQL>
```

Example cont.

FIGURE 7.32 VERIFYING THE TRG_PRODUCT_REORDER TRIGGER EXECUTION

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2 Oracle SQL*Plus
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SQL> SELECT * FROM PRODUCT WHERE P CODE = '11QER/31';
P_CODE P_DESCRIPT P_INDATE P_ONHAND P_HIN P_PRICE P_DISCOUNT V_CODE P_MIN_ORDER P_REORDER
11QER/31 Power painter, 03-NOV-03 8 5 109.99 0.00 25595
                                                                            25
SQL> UPDATE PRODUCT
       SET P ONHAND - 4
         WHERE P CODE - '11QER/31';
1 row updated.
SQL> SELECT * FROM PRODUCT WHERE P CODE = '11QER/31';
P_CODE P_DESCRIPT P_INDATE P_ONHAND P_MIN P_PRICE P_DISCOUNT V_CODE P_MIN_ORDER P_REORDER
11QER/31 Power painter, 03-NOV-03 4 5 109.99 0.00 25595 25
SQL>
```

Example

```
create or replace trigger emp_check
after insert or delete or update on EMP
for each row
begin
if inserting then
<PL/SQL block>
end if;
if updating then
<PL/SQL block>
end if;
if deleting then
<PL/SQL block>
end if;
end;
```

Advantages of PL/SQL

- Substantially reduce network traffic and increase performance
- No transmission of individual SQL statements over network
- Help reduce code duplication by means of code isolation and code sharing
- Minimize chance of errors and cost of application development and maintenance

EXAMPLE

To create a trigger for the emp table, which makes the entry in ename column in UPPERCASE

CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER upper_trig

BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE OF ename ON emp

FOR EACH ROW

BEGIN

:new.ename := UPPER (:new.ename);

END;

:new - keyword refer to new value of the column

:old - keyword refer to old value of the column

EXAMPLE

Write a trigger total_salary to maintain a derived column totsal that stores total salary of all the members in a department.

DROPPING A TRIGGER

DROP TRIGGER t1;