

# Database Management System (DBMS – 204)

# Experiment # 08

## **Creating and Managing Tables**

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#### **Outcome**

After completing this lesson, you should be able to do the following:

- 1. Describe the main database objects
- 2. Create tables
- 3. Describe the data types that can be used when specifying column definition
- 4. Alter table definitions
- 5. Drop, rename, and truncate tables

#### **The CREATE TABLE Statement**

1. You must have:

CREATE TABLE privilege

A storage area

CREATE TABLE[schema.]table(column datatype[DEFAULTexpr][, ...]);

2. You specify:

Table name, Column name, column data type, and column size

#### **Referencing Another User's Tables**

- 1. Tables belonging to other users are not in the user's schema.
- 2. You should use the owner's name as a prefix to those tables. SELECT \* FROM user\_b.employees;

#### **Creating Tables**

1. Create the table.

CREATE TABLE deptA(deptno NUMBER(2),dname VARCHAR2(14),loc VARCHAR2(13));

Table created.

2. Confirm creation of the table.

**DESCRIBE** dept

#### **Tables in the Oracle Database**

1. User tables:

Are a collection of tables created and maintained by theuser Contain user information

2. Data dictionary:

Is a collection of tables created and maintained by the Oracle Server Contain database information

#### **Ouerving the Data Dictionary**

1. See the names of tables owned by the user.

SELECT table\_name FROM user\_tables;

2. View distinct object types owned by the user.

SELECT DISTINCT object type FROM user objects;

3. View tables, views, synonyms, and sequences owned by the user.

SELECT \* FROM user\_catalog;

#### Creating a Table by Using a Subquery Syntax

a. Create a table and insert rows by combining the CREATE TABLE statement and the AS Subquery option.

**CREATE TABLE** 

table[(column,column...)] AS subquery;

- b. Match the number of specified columns to the number of subquery columns.
- c. Define columns with column names and default values.

CREATE TABLE EMPA AS SELECT empno, ename, sal, Hiredate FROM emp WHERE deptno = 30;

Table created.

#### **The ALTER TABLE Statement**

Use the ALTER TABLE statement to:

- 1. Add a new column
- 2. Modify an existing column
- 3. Define a default value for the new column
- 4. Drop a column

#### **The ALTER TABLE Statement**

Use the ALTER TABLE statement to add, modify or drop columns.

ALTER TABLE table ADD ( column datatype [DEFAULT expr]

[, column datatype]...);

ALTER TABLE table MODIFY (column datatype [DEFAULT

Expr ] [, column datatype ]...);

ALTER TABLE table

DROP (column);

The ALTER TABLE

#### **Adding a Column**

1. Use the ADD clause to add columns.

ALTER TABLE EMPA ADD (job VARCHAR2(9));

Table altered.

### Modifying a Column

1. You can change a column's data type, size, and default value.

ALTER TABLE EMPA MODIFY (ename VARCHAR2(30));

Table altered.

2. A change to the default value affects only subsequent insertions to the table.

#### **Dropping a Column**

Use the DROP COLUMN clause to drop columns you no longer need from the table.

ALTER TABLE EMPA DROP COLUMN job;

Table altered.

#### **The SET UNUSED Option**

- 1. You use the SET UNUSED option to mark one or more columns as unused.
- 2. You use the DROP UNUSED COLUMNS option to remove the columns that are marked as unused.

ALTER TABLE table SET UNUSED (column);

OR

ALTER TABLE table COLUMN column;

SET UNUSED ALTER TABLE table

DROP UNUSED COLUMNS;

ALTER TABLE EMPA SET UNUSED (sal);

Table altered.

ALTER TABLE EMPA DROP UNUSED COLUMNS:

Table altered.

#### **Dropping a Table**

- a. All data and structure in the table is deleted.
- b. Any pending transactions are committed.
- c. All indexes are dropped.
- d. You cannot roll back the DROP TABLE statement. DROP TABLE EMPA;

Table dropped.

#### **Changing the Name of an Object**

•To change the name of a table, view, sequence, or synonym, execute the RENAME statement. RENAME dept TO detail\_dept;

Table renamed.

•You must be the owner of the object.

#### **Truncating a Table**

- 1. The TRUNCATE TABLE statement:
  - a. Removes all rows from a table
  - b. Releases the storage space used by thattable

TRUNCATE TABLE detail\_dept;

Table truncated.

- 2. You cannot roll back row removal when using TRUNCATE.
- 3. Alternatively, you can remove rows by using the DELETE statement.

#### **Adding Comments to a Table**

• You can add comments to a table or column by using The COMMENT statement.

**COMMENT ON TABLE employees** 

IS 'Employee Information';

Comment created.

•Comments can be viewed through the data dictionary views:

-ALL\_COL\_COMMENTS

- -USER\_COL\_COMMENTS
- -ALL\_TAB\_COMMENTS
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# **LAB# 08 Creating and Managing Tables**

#### Practice 7

- 1. Create the DEPT40 table based on the following table instance chart. Place the syntax in a script called lab8\_1.sql, then execute the statement in the script to create the table. Confirm that the table is created.
- ID NAME Column Name Key Type Nulls/Unique FK Table FK Column NUMBER VARCHAR2 Data type 7 25 Length

- 2. Populate the DEPT40 table with data from the DEPT table. Include only columns that you need.
- 3. Create the DEPT40 table based on the following table instance chart. Place the syntax in a script called lab8\_3.sql , and then execute the statement in the script to create the table. Confirm that the table is created. ID LAST\_NAME FIRST\_NAME DEPT\_ID Column Name

**Key Type** 

Nulls/Unique

**FK Table** 

FK Column

NUMBER VARCHAR2 VARCHAR2 NUMBER

Data type Length 7 25 25 7

4. Modify the EMPA table to allow for longer employee last names. Confirm your modification.

```
SQL> ALTER TABLE EMPA MODIFY (last_name varchar2(30));
Table altered.
```

5. Confirm that both the DEPT40 and EMPA tables are stored in the data dictionary. (Hint:USER TABLES)

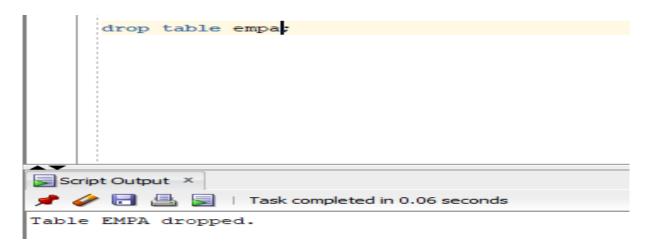
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31 SALGRADE	SYSTEM	(null)	(null)	VALID	10	40	1	255	6553
132 DEPT40	SYSTEM	(null)	(null)	VALID	10	40	1	255	6553
33 EMPA	SYSTEM	(null)	(null)	VALID	10	40	1	255	6553

6. Create the EMP2 table based on the structure of the EMP table. Include only the EMPNO, ENAME, SAL, and DEPTNO columns. Name the columns in your new table EMPNO, ENAME, SAL, and DEPTNO respectively.

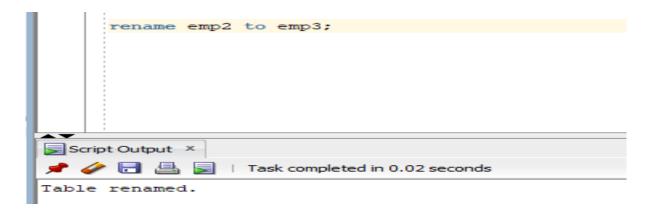
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CREATE TABLE emp2 AS
SELECT empno , ename, sal, deptno FROM emp;
```

Table EMP2 created.

7. Drop the EMPA table.



8. Rename the EMP2 table as EMP3.



9. Add a comment to the DEPT40 and EMPA table definitions describing the tables. Confirm your additions in the data dictionary.

```
COMMENT ON TABLE emp IS 'Emlpoyee Information';
COMMENT ON TABLE dept IS 'Department number 40';
COLUMN table_name FORMAT A15
COLUMN table_type FORMAT A10
COLUMN comments FORMAT A40
SELECT * FROM user_tab_comments
WHERE table_name = 'DEPT' OR table_name = 'EMP';

Script Output *

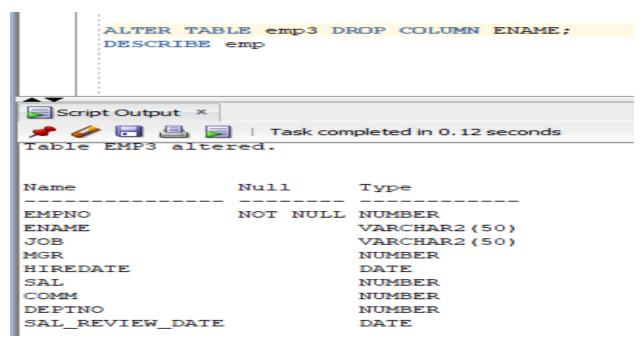
Script Output *

Comment on table emp 'EMLPOYEE INFORMATION' succeeded.

Comment on table dept 'DEPARTMENT NUMBER 40' succeeded.
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TABLE_NAME	TABLE_TYPE	COMMENTS	ORIGIN_CON_ID
DEPT	TABLE	Department number 40	1
EMP	TABLE	Emlpoyee Information	1

10. Drop the ENAME column from the EMP3 table. Confirm your modification by checking the description of the table.



11. In the EMP3 table, mark the DEPTNO column in the EMP3 table as UNUSED. Confirm your modification by checking the description of the table.

```
ALTER TABLE emp3
SET UNUSED (deptno);
DESCRIBE emp3
```

Table EMP3 altered.

Name Null Type

EMPNO NOT NULL NUMBER
SAL NUMBER

12. Drop all the UNUSED columns from the EMP3 table. Confirm your modification by checking the description of the table.

