

Database Management System

EXPERIMENT 14 OTHER DATABASES AND STRUCTURES

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1. Create a sequence for DEPT table primary key

```
CREATE SEQUENCE dept_id_seq
START WITH 200
INCREMENT BY 10
MAXVALUE 1000
NOCACHE
NOCYCLE;
```

Expected Output:

Sequence created.

2. Display sequence information

```
SELECT sequence_name, min_value, max_value, increment_by,
last_number
FROM user_sequences
WHERE sequence_name = 'DEPT_ID_SEQ';
```

Expected Output:

SEQUENCE_NAME	MIN_VALUE	MAX_VALUE	INCREMENT_BY
LAST_NUMBER			

```
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--  
DEPT_ID_SEQ           1          1000          10  
200
```

3. Insert rows using the sequence

Create the script lab12_3.sql:

```
-- Script: lab12_3.sql  
INSERT INTO dept (id, name) VALUES (dept_id_seq.NEXTVAL,  
'Education');  
INSERT INTO dept (id, name) VALUES (dept_id_seq.NEXTVAL,  
'Administration');  
COMMIT;
```

Execute the script:

```
@lab12_3.sql
```

Expected Output:

```
1 row created.
```

```
1 row created.
```

```
Commit complete.
```

Confirm the insertions:

```
SELECT * FROM dept;
```

Expected Output:

ID	NAME
200	Education
210	Administration

4. Create a non-unique index on foreign key column

```
CREATE INDEX emp_dept_id_idx
ON emp(dept_id);
```

Expected Output:

Index created.

5. Display indexes for EMP table

```
SELECT ic.index_name, ic.column_name, ic.column_position
col_pos, ix.uniqueness
FROM user_indexes ix, user_ind_columns ic
WHERE ic.index_name = ix.index_name
AND ic.table_name = 'EMP';
```

Expected Output:

INDEX_NAME	COLUMN_NAME	COL_POS	UNIQUENES
EMP_DEPT_ID_IDX	DEPT_ID	1	NONUNIQUE

Additional Sequence and Index Examples:

Using sequences in INSERT statements

```
-- Display current sequence value  
SELECT dept_id_seq.CURRVAL FROM dual;
```

Expected Output:

```
CURRVAL  
-----  
210
```

Using sequence with NEXTVAL

```
INSERT INTO dept (id, name) VALUES (dept_id_seq.NEXTVAL,  
'Research');
```

Expected Output:

1 row created.

Verify the new department:

```
SELECT * FROM dept;
```

Expected Output:

```
ID NAME  
-----  
200 Education  
210 Administration  
220 Research
```

Creating a unique index

```
CREATE UNIQUE INDEX emp_email_idx  
ON emp(email);
```

Expected Output:

Index created.

Creating a composite index

```
CREATE INDEX emp_name_idx  
ON emp(last_name, first_name);
```

Expected Output:

Index created.

View all indexes in the schema

```
SELECT index_name, table_name, uniqueness  
FROM user_indexes  
WHERE table_name IN ('EMP', 'DEPT');
```

Expected Output:

INDEX_NAME	TABLE_NAME	UNIQUENESS
EMP_DEPT_ID_IDX	EMP	NONUNIQUE
EMP_EMAIL_IDX	EMP	UNIQUE
EMP_NAME_IDX	EMP	NONUNIQUE

Function-based index example

```
CREATE INDEX emp_upper_name_idx  
ON emp(UPPER(last_name));
```

Expected Output:

Index created.

6. Drop the sequence and indexes

```
-- Drop sequence  
DROP SEQUENCE dept_id_seq;  
  
-- Drop indexes  
DROP INDEX emp_dept_id_idx;  
DROP INDEX emp_email_idx;  
DROP INDEX emp_name_idx;  
DROP INDEX emp_upper_name_idx;
```

Expected Output:

Sequence dropped.

Index dropped.

Index dropped.

Index dropped.

Index dropped.

Performance Comparison Example:

Query without index:

```
-- Timing query without index  
SET TIMING ON  
SELECT * FROM emp WHERE dept_id = 20;  
SET TIMING OFF
```

Create index and test again:

```
-- Create index  
CREATE INDEX emp_dept_idx ON emp(dept_id);  
  
-- Timing query with index  
SET TIMING ON  
SELECT * FROM emp WHERE dept_id = 20;  
SET TIMING OFF
```

Key Database Objects Concepts:

Sequences:

- Automatically generate unique numbers
- Used for primary key values
- NEXTVAL: Gets next sequence value
- CURREVVAL: Gets current sequence value
- CACHE: Improves performance by pre-allocating values
- CYCLE: Restarts when max value reached

Indexes:

- Improve query performance
- Types: Unique, Non-unique, Composite, Function-based
- Automatically created for PRIMARY KEY and UNIQUE constraints
- Trade-off: Faster reads vs. slower writes

When to use indexes:

- Columns frequently used in WHERE clauses
- Columns used in JOIN conditions
- Columns with high selectivity
- Large tables with small percentage of rows accessed

When to avoid indexes:

- Small tables
- Columns frequently updated
- Tables with heavy write operations
- Columns with low selectivity