

EXERCISE 13

Creating Views

1. What are three uses for a view from a DBA's perspective?

- ① Security & restrict user access to specific columns
- ② Simplification & simplifies complex queries for end user
- ③ Data Consistency = present consistent record only data to multiple user

2. Create a simple view called view_d_songs that contains the ID, title and artist from the DJs on Demand table for each "New Age" type code. In the subquery, use the alias "Song Title" for the title column.

```
Create view view_d_songs AS  
    select id, title as "Song Title", artist  
    from dfp_on_demand  
    where type_code = 'new ag'
```

3. SELECT * FROM view_d_songs. What was returned?

```
Select * from view_d_songs displays -  
display id SongTitle and artist column
```

4. REPLACE view_d_songs. Add type_code to the column list. Use aliases for all columns.

```
Create or replace view viewd_songs AS  
Select id as "ID" , title as "Song title", type_code as  
"type code" from dfp_on_demand  
where type_code = 'new ag'
```

Or use alias after the CREATE statement as shown.

5. Jason Tsang, the disk jockey for DJs on Demand, needs a list of the past events and those planned for the coming months so he can make arrangements for each event's equipment setup. As the company manager, you do not want him to have access to the price that clients paid for their events. Create a view for Jason to use that displays the name of the event, the event date, and the theme description. Use aliases for each column name.

Create view view . event . jsoo AS
SELECT event_name AS "Event Name"
~~event_date~~ AS "Event Date"
theme_desc AS "Theme Description"
FROM event

6. It is company policy that only upper-level management be allowed access to individual employee salaries. The department managers, however, need to know the minimum, maximum, and average salaries, grouped by department. Use the Oracle database to prepare a view that displays the needed information for department managers.

Create view dept - salary . summary AS
SELECT department . id AS "DeptID"
MIN (salary) AS "minimum Salary"
MAX (salary) AS "maximum salary"
AVG (salary) AS "Average salary"
FROM employees
GROUP BY department . id .

DML Operations and Views

Use the DESCRIBE statement to verify that you have tables named copy_d_songs, copy_d_events, copy_d_cds, and copy_d_clients in your schema. If you don't, write a query to create a copy of each.

1. Query the data dictionary USER_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS to make sure the columns in the base tables will allow UPDATE, INSERT, or DELETE. All table names in the data dictionary are stored in uppercase.

```
select table_name, column_name, insertable, updatable  
deletable  
from user_updatable_columns  
where table_name = 'copy_d_songs';
```

Use the same syntax but change table_name of the other tables.

2. Use the CREATE or REPLACE option to create a view of all the columns in the copy_d_songs table called view_copy_d_songs.

Create or Replace View view-copy_d_songs AS
select * from copy_d_songs

3. Use view_copy_d_songs to INSERT the following data into the underlying copy_d_songs table. Execute a SELECT * from copy_d_songs to verify your DML command. See the graphic.

ID	TITLE	DURATION	ARTIST	TYPE_CODE
88	Mello Jello	2	The What	4

INSERT into view-copy_d_songs (id, title, duration, artist, type_code)

VALUES (88, 'Hello Jello', 2, 'The What', 4);

- Verify:

select * from copy_d_songs

4. Create a view based on the DIs on Demand COPY_D_CDS table. Name the view read_copy_d_cds. Select all columns to be included in the view. Add a WHERE clause to restrict the year to 2000. Add the WITH READ ONLY option.

```
Create or replace view read_copy_d_cds  
Select *  
From copy_rd_cds  
Where year = 2000  
With Read Only
```

5. Using the read_copy_d_cds view, execute a DELETE FROM read_copy_d_cds WHERE cd_number = 90;

```
Delete from read_copy_d_cds where cd_number = 90;
```

6. Use REPLACE to modify read_copy_d_cds. Replace the READ ONLY option with WITH CHECK OPTION CONSTRAINT ck_read_copy_d_cds. Execute a SELECT * statement to verify that the view exists.

```
Create or replace view read_copy_d_cds As  
Select *  
From copy_rd_cds  
Where year = 2000 With Check Option Constraint ck_read_copy_d_cds
```

7. Use the read_copy_d_cds view to delete any CD of year 2000 from the underlying copy_d_cds table.

```
DELETE from read_copy_d_cds where year = 2000
```

8. Use the read_copy_d_cds view to delete cd_number 90 from the underlying copy_d_cds table.

```
DELETE from read_copy_d_cds where cd_number = 90
```

9. Use the read_copy_d_cds view to delete year 2001 records.

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Delete from read_copy_d_cds where year = 2001
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10. Execute a SELECT \* statement for the base table copy\_d\_ids. What rows were deleted?

SELECT \* from copy.d\_ids

11. What are the restrictions on modifying data through a view?

A view cannot modify data if it contains group by distinct function + user join between multiple tables

12. What is Moore's Law? Do you consider that it will continue to apply indefinitely? Support your opinion with research from the internet.

\* Moore's law states that the number of transistors on a microchip double roughly every two years leading to exponential growth

13. What is the "singularity" in terms of computing?

The technological singularity is a theoretical point where artificial intelligence surpasses human intelligence leading to rapid, unpredictable growth

### Managing Views

1. Create a view from the copy\_d\_songs table called view\_copy\_d\_songs that includes only the title and artist. Execute a SELECT \* statement to verify that the view exists.

Create view view\_copy\_d\_songs

Select title, artist

From copy\_d\_songs

select \* From view\_copy\_d\_songs;

2. Issue a DROP view\_copy\_d\_songs. Execute a SELECT \* statement to verify that the view has been deleted.

Drop view view\_copy\_d\_songs;

Select \* From user\_views

where view\_name = view\_copy\_d\_songs

3. Create a query that selects the last name and salary from the Oracle database. Rank the salaries from highest to lowest for the top three employees.

Select last\_name, salary

From employees

Order By salary Desc

Fetch First 3 Rows Only

4. Construct an inline view from the Oracle database that lists the last name, salary, department ID, and maximum salary for each department. Hint: One query will need to calculate maximum salary by department ID.

Select e.last\_name, e.salary, e.dept\_id, d.

- max salary from employees e

Join { select dept\_id max\_salary ) AS max\_salary from employees group by dept\_id

5. Create a query that will return the staff members of Global Fast Foods ranked by salary from lowest to highest.

Select staff\_name, salary from global

- fast foods . order by salary Asc,