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EXERCISE-6

Single Row Functions

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Objective

After the completion of this exercise, the students will be able to do the following:

- Describe various types of functions available in SQL.
- Use character, number and date functions in SELECT statement.
- Describe the use of conversion functions.

Single row functions:

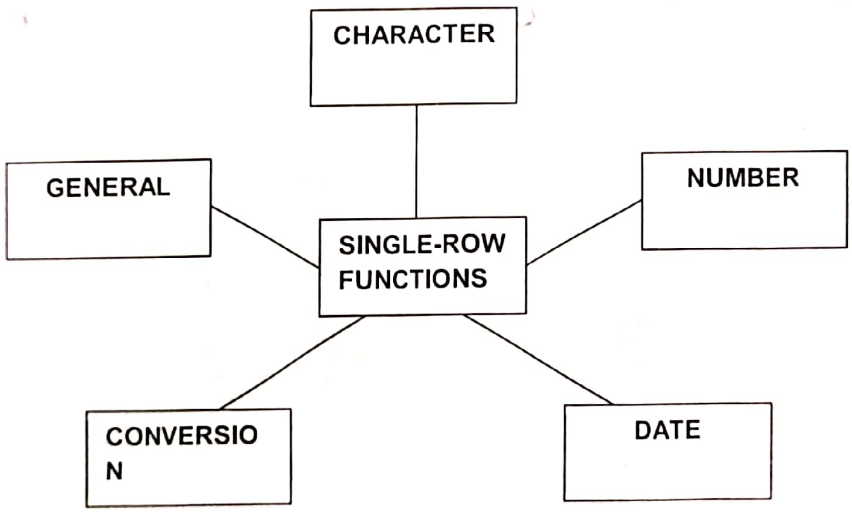
Manipulate data items.
Accept arguments and return one value.
Act on each row returned.
Return one result per row.
May modify the data type.
Can be nested.
Accept arguments which can be a column or an expression

Syntax

Function_name(arg1,...argn)

An argument can be one of the following

- ✓ User-supplied constant
- ✓ Variable value
- ✓ Column name
- ✓ Expression



- Character Functions: Accept character input and can return both character and number values.

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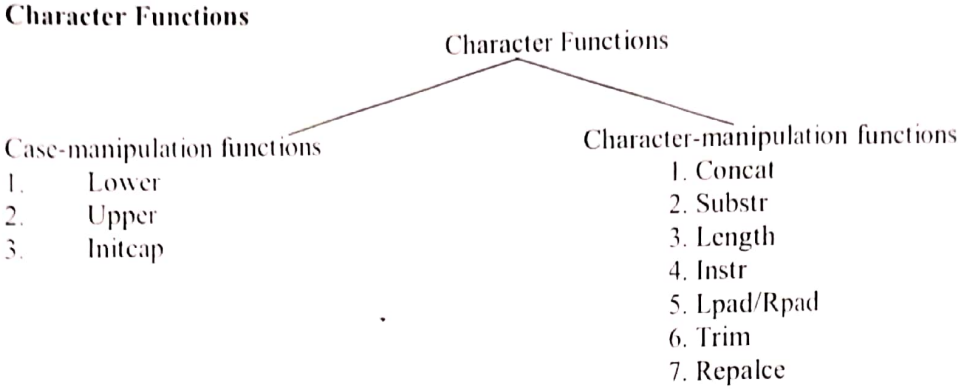
- Number functions: Accept numeric input and return numeric values.
- Date Functions: Operate on values of the DATE data type.
- Conversion Functions: Convert a value from one type to another.

Character Functions



Function	Purpose
lower(column/expr)	Converts alpha character values to lowercase
upper(column/expr)	Converts alpha character values to uppercase
initcap(column/expr)	Converts alpha character values the to uppercase for the first letter of each word, all other letters in lowercase
concat(column1/expr1, column2/expr2)	Concatenates the first character to the second character
substr(column/expr,m,n)	Returns specified characters from character value starting at character position m, n characters long
length(column/expr)	Returns the number of characters in the expression
instr(column/expr,'string',m,n)	Returns the numeric position of a named string
lpad(column/expr, n,'string')	Pads the character value right-justified to a total width of n character positions
rpad(column/expr,'string',m,n)	Pads the character value left-justified to a total width of n character positions
trim(leading/trailing/both, trim_character FROM trim_source)	Enables you to trim heading or string, trailing or both from a character
replace(text, search_string, replacement_string)	

Example:

lower('SQL Course')⍰sql course
upper('SQL Course')⍰SQL COURSE
initcap('SQL Course')⍰Sql Course

```
SELECT 'The job id for'||upper(last_name||'is'||lower(job_id) AS "EMPLOYEE DETAILS"
FROM employees;

SELECT employee_id, last_name, department_id
FROM employees
WHERE LOWER(last_name)='higgins';
```

Function	Result
CONCAT('hello', 'world')	helloworld
Substr('helloworld',1,5)	Hello
Length('helloworld')	10

SELECT 'ast_name, hire_date FROM employees WHERE hire_date < '01-FEB-88;

Working with Dates

SYSDATE is a function that returns:
• Date
• Time

Example

Display the current date using the DUAL table.

SELECT SYSDATE FROM DUAL;

Arithmetic with Dates

• Add or subtract a number to or from a date for a resultant date value.
• Subtract two dates to find the number of days between those dates.
• Add hours to a date by dividing the number of hours by 24.

Arithmetic with Dates

Because the database stores dates as numbers, you can perform calculations using arithmetic Operators such as addition and subtraction. You can add and subtract number constants as well as dates.
You can perform the following operations:

Operation	Result	Description
date + number	Date	Adds a number of days to a date
date – number	Date	Subtracts a number of days from a date
date – date	Number of days	Subtracts one date from another
date + number/24	Date	Adds a number of hours to a date

Example

```
SELECT last_name, (SYSDATE-hire_date)/7 AS WEEKS
FROM   employees
WHERE  department_id = 90;
```

Date Functions

Function	Result
MONTHS_BETWEEN	Number of months between two dates
ADD_MONTHS	Add calendar months to date
NEXT_DAY	Next day of the date specified
LAST_DAY	Last day of the month
ROUND	Round date
TRUNC	Truncate date

Date Functions

Date functions operate on Oracle dates. All date functions return a value of DATE data type except MONTHS_BETWEEN, which returns a numeric value.

• MONTHS_BETWEEN(date1, date2):: Finds the number of months between date1 and date2. The result can be positive or negative. If date1 is later than date2, the result is positive; if date1 is earlier than date2, the result is negative. The noninteger part of the result represents a portion of the month.

• ADD_MONTHS(date, n)::: Adds n number of calendar months to date. The value of n must be an integer and can be negative.

• NEXT_DAY(date, 'char')::: Finds the date of the next specified day of the week ('char') following date. The value of char may be a number representing a day or a character string.

• LAST_DAY(date)::: Finds the date of the last day of the month that contains date
• ROUND(date[,'fmt'])::: Returns date rounded to the unit that is specified by the format model fmt. If the format model fmt is omitted, date is rounded to the nearest day.

• TRUNC(date[, 'fmt'])::: Returns date with the time portion of the day truncated to the unit that is specified by the format model fmt. If the format model fmt is omitted, date is truncated to the nearest day.

Using Date Functions

Function	Result
MONTHS_BETWEEN ('01-SEP-95','11-JAN-94')	19.6774194
ADD_MONTHS ('11-JAN-94',6)	'11-JUL-94'
NEXT_DAY ('01-SEP-95','FRIDAY')	'08-SEP-95'
LAST_DAY ('01-FEB-95')	'28-FEB-95'

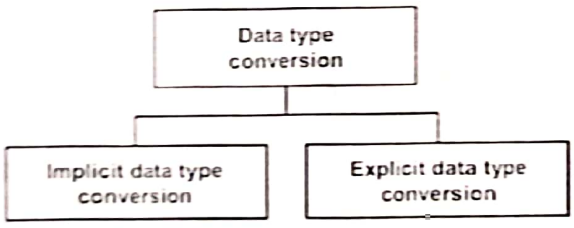
Example

Display the employee number, hire date, number of months employed, sixmonth review date, first Friday after hire date, and last day of the hire month for all employees who have been employed for fewer than 70 months.

```
SELECT employee_id, hire_date,MONTHS_BETWEEN (SYSDATE, hire_date)
TENURE,ADD_MONTHS (hire_date, 6) REVIEW,NEXT_DAY (hire_date, 'FRIDAY'),
LAST_DAY(hire_date)
FROM   employees
WHERE  MONTHS_BETWEEN (SYSDATE, hire_date) < 70;
```

Conversion Functions

This covers the following topics:
• Writing a query that displays the current date
• Creating queries that require the use of numeric, character, and date functions
• Performing calculations of years and months of service for an employee



Find the Solution for the following:

1. Write a query to display the current date. Label the column Date.

```
SELECT SYSDATE AS "Date" FROM dual;
```

2. The HR department needs a report to display the employee number, last name, salary, and increased by 15.5% (expressed as a whole number) for each employee. Label the column New Salary.

```
SELECT employee_id AS "Employee Number",
last_name, salary, ROUND(salary*1.155) AS "New
Salary" FROM employees;
```

3. Modify your query lab_03_02.sql to add a column that subtracts the old salary from the new salary. Label the column Increase.

```
SELECT employee_id AS "Employee Number", last_name,
salary, ROUND(salary*1.155) AS "New Salary", ROUND
(salary*1.155) - salary AS "increase" FROM employees;
```

4. Write a query that displays the last name (with the first letter uppercase and all other letters lowercase) and the length of the last name for all employees whose name starts with the letters J, A, or M. Give each column an appropriate label. Sort the results by the employees' last names.

```
SELECT INITCAP(last_name) AS "Last Name",
LENGTH(last_name) AS "Name Length" FROM
employees WHERE last_name IN ('j','J','a','A',
'm','M') ORDER BY last_name;
```

5. Rewrite the query so that the user is prompted to enter a letter that starts the last name. For example, if the user enters H when prompted for a letter, then the output should show all employees whose last name starts with the letter H.

```
SELECT INITCAP(last_name) AS "Last Name", LENGTH
(last_name) AS "Name Length" FROM employees
WHERE UPPER(SUBSTR(last_name,1,1)) = UPPER('&
letter') ORDER BY last_name;
```

6. The HR department wants to find the length of employment for each employee. For each employee, display the last name and calculate the number of months between today and the date on which the employee was hired. Label the column MONTHS_WORKED. Order your results by the number of months employed. Round the number of months up to the closest whole number.

```
SELECT last_name, CEIL(MONTHS_BETWEEN(
SYSDATE, hire_date)) AS "MONTHS_WORKED"
FROM employees ORDER BY MONTHS_WORKED;
```

Note: Your results will differ.

7. Create a report that produces the following for each employee:
<employee last name> earns <salary> monthly but wants <3 times salary>. Label the column Dream Salaries.

```
SELECT last_name || ' earns ' || salary || ' monthly
but wants ' || (salary * 3) AS "Dream Salaries"
FROM employees;
```

8. Create a query to display the last name and salary for all employees. Format the salary to be 15 characters long, left-padded with the $ symbol. Label the column SALARY.

```
SELECT last_name, LPAD('$' || salary, 15, '$')
AS "Salary" FROM employees;
```

9. Display each employee's last name, hire date, and salary review date, which is the first Monday after six months of service. Label the column REVIEW. Format the dates to appear in the format similar to "Monday, the Thirty-First of July, 2000."

```
SELECT last_name, TO_CHAR(hire_date, 'Day, the
Ddspth "of" Month, YYYY') AS "HIRE DATE", TO_CHAR(
NEXT_DAY(ADD_MONTHS(hire_date,6),'Monday'), 'Day, the
Ddspth "of"
Month, YYYY')
AS "Review" FROM
employees;
```

10. Display the last name, hire date, and day of the week on which the employee started. Label the column DAY. Order the results by the day of the week, starting with Monday.

```
SELECT last_name, hire_date, TO_CHAR(
hire_date, 'DAY') AS "DAY" FROM
employees ORDER BY TO_CHAR(
hire_date, 'D');
```

Evaluation Procedure	Marks awarded
Query(5)	5
Execution (5)	5
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