



## **Worksheet-3**

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### **Aim of the Session:**

To implement conditional decision-making logic in PostgreSQL using IF–ELSE constructs and CASE expressions for classification, validation, and rule-based data processing.

### **Tools Used:**

PostgreSQL — Powerful open-source relational database for storing and managing data efficiently

### **Objective of the Session:**

The objectives of this practical session are:

- To understand conditional execution in SQL
- To implement decision-making logic using CASE expressions
- To simulate real-world rule validation scenarios
- To classify data based on multiple conditions
- To strengthen SQL logic skills required in interviews and backend systems

### **Practical / Experiment Steps:**

#### **Classifying Data Using CASE Expression**

##### **Steps**

1. Write a SELECT query to retrieve schema names and violation counts.
2. Use a searched CASE expression in the SELECT clause.
3. Define conditions for:
  - a. No Violation
  - b. Minor Violation
  - c. Moderate Violation

d. Critical Violation

4. Assign appropriate labels for each condition.
5. Execute the query and observe the classification result.

## Applying CASE Logic in Data Updates

### Steps

1. Alter the existing table to add a new column named `approval_status`.
2. Write an UPDATE statement using a CASE expression.
3. Define approval rules such as:
  - a. Approved
  - b. Needs Review
  - c. Rejected
4. Update all rows based on violation count.
5. Verify the update using a SELECT query.

## Implementing IF–ELSE Logic Using PL/pgSQL

### Steps

1. Begin a PL/pgSQL DO block.
2. Declare a variable to store violation count.
3. Assign a value to the variable.
4. Use IF–ELSE IF–ELSE conditions to check violation levels.
5. Display appropriate messages using RAISE NOTICE.
6. Execute the block and observe the output.

## Real-World Classification Scenario (Grading System)

### Steps

1. Create a table to store student names and marks.
2. Insert sample student records with varying marks.
3. Write a SELECT query using a CASE expression.
4. Define grade categories (such as A, B, C, Fail).
5. Execute the query and verify grade classification.

## Using CASE for Custom Sorting

## Steps

1. Write a SELECT query to retrieve schema details.
2. Use a CASE expression inside the ORDER BY clause.
3. Assign priority values to violation severity levels.
4. Execute the query to sort records based on severity.
5. Analyze the ordered output.

## Procedure of the Practical:

1. Start the system and log in to the computer.
2. Open the PostgreSQL client tool (psql / pgAdmin).
3. Create a table to store schema violations details.

```
CREATE TABLE schema_violations (  
    schema_id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,  
    schema_name VARCHAR(50),  
    violation_count INT  
);
```

```
INSERT INTO schema_violations (schema_name, violation_count) VALUES  
( 'HR', 0),  
( 'Finance', 2),  
( 'Sales', 5),  
( 'Inventory', 10),  
( 'Admin', 1);
```

```
SELECT * FROM schema_violations;
```

Data Output Messages Notifications			
	schema_id [PK] integer	schema_name character varying (50)	violation_count integer
1	1	HR	0
2	2	Finance	2
3	3	Sales	5
4	4	Inventory	10
5	5	Admin	1

#### 4. Classifying Data Using CASE Expression.

```
SELECT
    schema_name,
    violation_count,
    CASE
        WHEN violation_count = 0 THEN 'No Violation'
        WHEN violation_count BETWEEN 1 AND 3 THEN 'Minor Violation'
        WHEN violation_count BETWEEN 4 AND 7 THEN 'Moderate Violation'
        ELSE 'Critical Violation'
    END AS violation_status
FROM schema_violations;
```

#### Data Output Messages Notifications

	schema_name character varying (50)	violation_count integer	violation_status text
1	HR	0	No Violation
2	Finance	2	Minor Violation
3	Sales	5	Moderate Violati...
4	Inventory	10	Critical Violation
5	Admin	1	Minor Violation

#### 5. Applying CASE Logic in Data Updates.

```
ALTER TABLE schema_violations
ADD COLUMN approval_status VARCHAR(20);

UPDATE schema_violations
SET approval_status =
    CASE
        WHEN violation_count = 0 THEN 'Approved'
        WHEN violation_count BETWEEN 1 AND 4 THEN 'Needs Review'
        ELSE 'Rejected'
    END;
```

Data Output Messages Notifications

	schema_id [PK] integer	schema_name character varying (50)	violation_count integer	approval_status character varying (20)
1	1	HR	0	Approved
2	2	Finance	2	Needs Review
3	3	Sales	5	Rejected
4	4	Inventory	10	Rejected
5	5	Admin	1	Needs Review

## 6. Implementing IF–ELSE Logic Using PL/pgSQL.

```
DO $$
DECLARE
    v_violation_count INT := 5;
BEGIN
    IF v_violation_count = 0 THEN
        RAISE NOTICE 'No violations detected.';
    ELSIF v_violation_count BETWEEN 1 AND 3 THEN
        RAISE NOTICE 'Minor violations found.';
    ELSIF v_violation_count BETWEEN 4 AND 7 THEN
        RAISE NOTICE 'Moderate violations found.';
    ELSE
        RAISE NOTICE 'Critical violations detected.';
    END IF;
END $$;
```

Data Output Messages Notifications

NOTICE: Moderate violations found.  
DO

Query returned successfully in 185 msec.

## 7. Real-World Classification Scenario (Grading System).

```
CREATE TABLE students (
    student_id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
```

```
student_name VARCHAR(50),
marks INT
);
INSERT INTO students (student_name, marks) VALUES
('Alice', 85),
('Bob', 72),
('Charlie', 60),
('David', 45),
('Eva', 30);
SELECT
    student_name,
    marks,
    CASE
        WHEN marks >= 80 THEN 'Grade A'
        WHEN marks >= 65 THEN 'Grade B'
        WHEN marks >= 50 THEN 'Grade C'
        ELSE 'Fail'
    END AS grade
FROM students;
```

Data Output Messages Notifications

	student_name character varying (50)	marks integer	grade text
1	Alice	85	Grade A
2	Bob	72	Grade B
3	Charlie	60	Grade C
4	David	45	Fail
5	Eva	30	Fail

8. Using CASE for Custom Sorting.

```
SELECT
    schema_name,
    violation_count,
    approval_status
FROM schema_violations
ORDER BY
```

CASE

WHEN violation\_count = 0 THEN 1

WHEN violation\_count BETWEEN 1 AND 3 THEN 2

WHEN violation\_count BETWEEN 4 AND 7 THEN 3

ELSE 4

END;

Data Output Messages Notifications			
	schema_name character varying (50)	violation_count integer	approval_status character varying (20)
1	HR	0	Approved
2	Finance	2	Needs Review
3	Admin	1	Needs Review
4	Sales	5	Rejected
5	Inventory	10	Rejected

9. Verify the output after execution.
10. Note down the results obtained.
11. Save the work and take screenshots for record.

## I/O Analysis:

### Input Provided

- SQL queries using CASE expressions in SELECT, UPDATE, and ORDER BY clauses
- PL/pgSQL DO block implementing IF–ELSE conditional logic
- Table data containing:
  - Schema names
  - Violation counts
  - Sample student records with marks inserted into the grading table

### Output Generated

- Classified schema records based on violation severity
- Automatically assigned approval status for each schema
- Conditional messages displayed using IF–ELSE logic



- Student grades generated based on marks
- Custom-sorted output prioritizing records by violation severity

### **Learning Outcomes:**

- Apply CASE expressions for data classification and updates
- Implement IF–ELSE logic using PL/pgSQL
- Perform rule-based data processing within the database
- Solve real-world SQL interview and backend scenarios