

ITC 5104 DATABASE DESIGN AND SQL

Lecture 5

Chapter 5 Oracle 12c: SQL

Data Manipulation

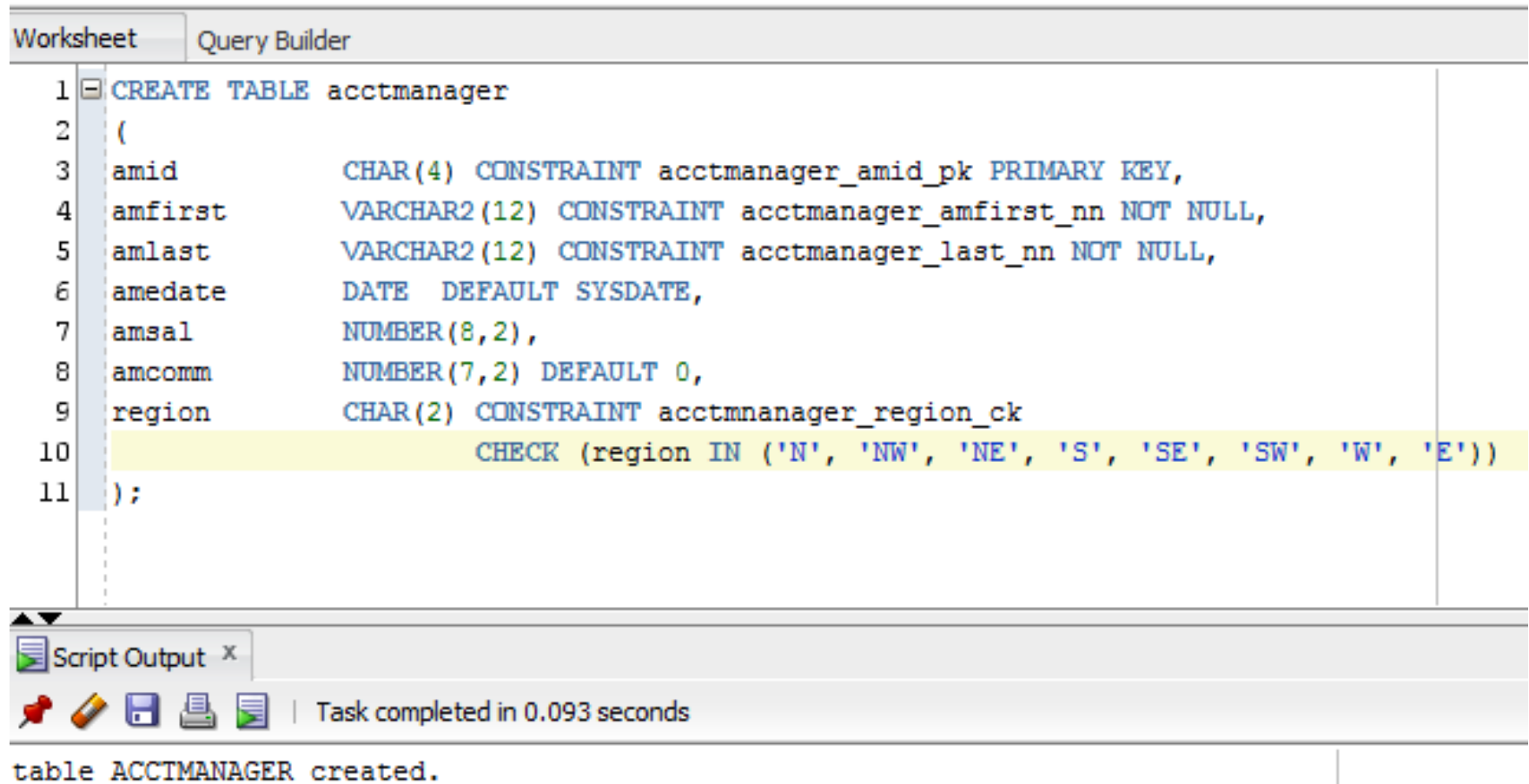
Objectives

- Add a record to an existing table
- Add a record containing a NULL value to an existing table
- Use a subquery to copy records from an existing table
- Modify existing rows within a table
- Use substitution variables with an UPDATE command
- Issue transaction control statements COMMIT, ROLLBACK and SAVEPOINT
- Differentiate among DDL, DML and transaction control commands
- Delete records

Overview of Commands

Command	Description
INSERT	Adds new row(s) to a table. The user can include a subquery to copy row(s) from an existing table.
UPDATE	Adds data to, or modifies data within, an existing row
COMMIT	Permanently saves changed data in a table
ROLLBACK	Allows the user to “undo” uncommitted changes to data
DELETE	Removes row(s) from a table

ACCTMANAGER Table



The screenshot shows a database query builder window with two tabs: "Worksheet" and "Query Builder". The "Query Builder" tab is active, displaying the SQL code for creating the ACCTMANAGER table. The code is as follows:

```
1 CREATE TABLE acctmanager
2 (
3   amid          CHAR(4) CONSTRAINT acctmanager_amid_pk PRIMARY KEY,
4   amfirst       VARCHAR2(12) CONSTRAINT acctmanager_amfirst_nn NOT NULL,
5   amlast        VARCHAR2(12) CONSTRAINT acctmanager_last_nn NOT NULL,
6   amedate       DATE DEFAULT SYSDATE,
7   amsal         NUMBER(8,2),
8   amcomm        NUMBER(7,2) DEFAULT 0,
9   region        CHAR(2) CONSTRAINT acctmanager_region_ck
10                CHECK (region IN ('N', 'NW', 'NE', 'S', 'SE', 'SW', 'W', 'E'))
11 );
```

Below the query editor, there is a "Script Output" window showing the result of the execution: "table ACCTMANAGER created." The status bar at the bottom indicates "Task completed in 0.093 seconds".

This is the table we will insert new data records to

Data to be Inserted

ID	Name	Employment date	Salary	Commission	Region
T500	Nick Taylor	September 5, 2009	\$42,000.00	\$3,500.00	NE
L500	Mandy Lopez	October 1, 2009	\$47,000.00	\$1,500.00	
J500	Sammie Jones	Today	\$39,500.00	\$2,000.00	NW

In the following slides, the data above will be added to the ACCTMANAGER table. Blank spaces indicate that the data that has not been provided yet, there are additional columns that will be added that are not shown here

Insert Command

```
INSERT INTO tablename [(columnname, ...)]  
VALUES (datavalue, ...);
```

Insert Command

- The keywords **INSERT INTO** are followed by the name of the table into which the rows will be entered
- The table name is followed by the column names that will contain data
- The **VALUES** clause identifies the data to be entered
- If a column is omitted in the **INSERT INTO** clause, no data for that column is specified in the **VALUES** clause
- The data specified in the **VALUES** clause must be in the same sequence as the columns in the **INSERT INTO** clause

Insert Command

- If no columns are specified in the **INSERT INTO** clause, a value is required for each column in the table, in the same order as the columns appear in the table
- If more than one column is listed, column names must be *separated by commas*
- If more than one data value is entered, they must be *separated by commas*
- As with the **SELECT** statement and the **WHERE** clause, *non-numeric data is enclosed in single quotation marks and numeric data requires no quotation marks*

Insert Command

Worksheet

Query Builder

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```
INSERT INTO acctmanager
VALUES ('T500', 'NICK', 'TAYLOR', '05-SEP-09', 42000, 3500, 'NE');

SELECT *
FROM acctmanager;
```

 Script Output x

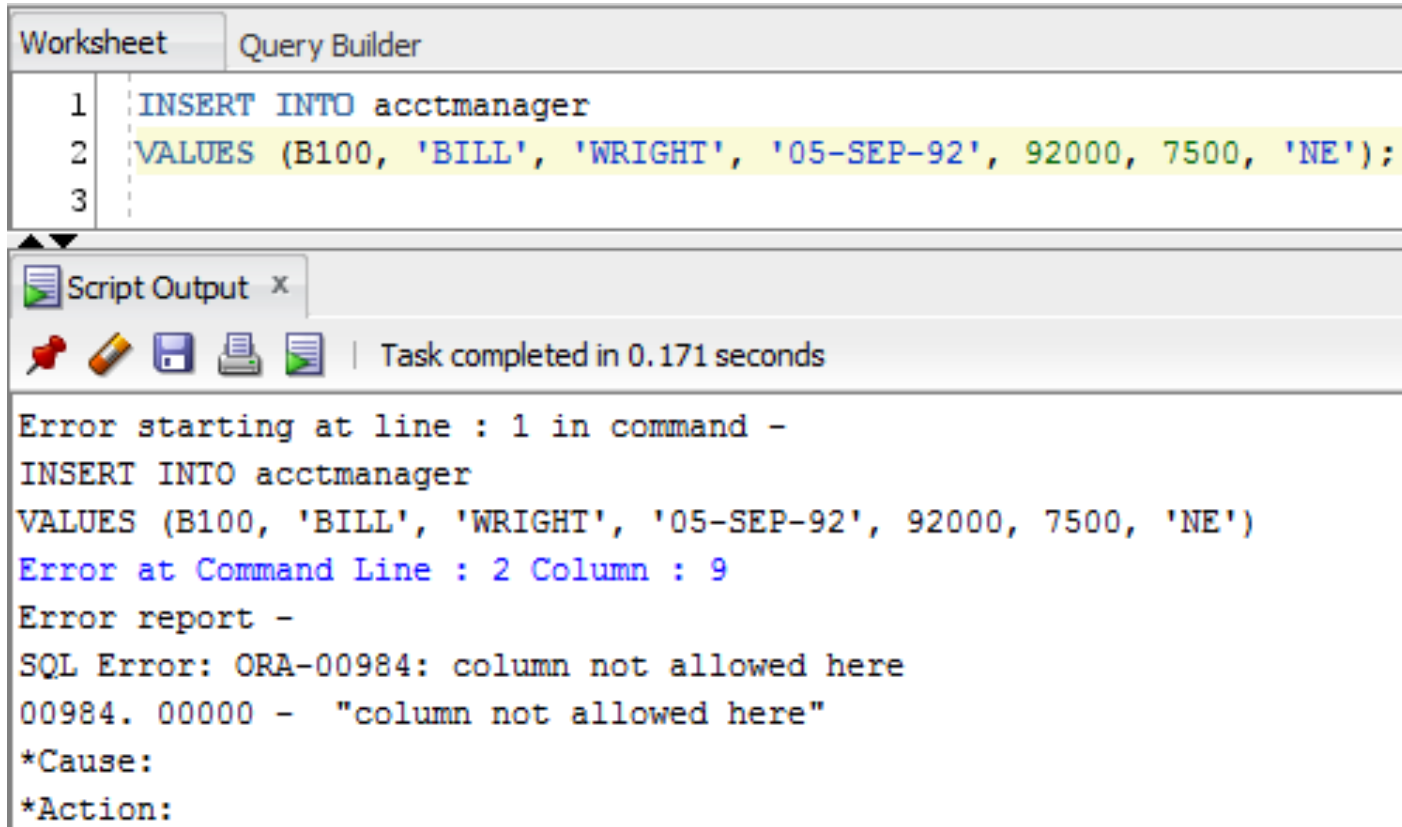
     | Task completed in 1.061 seconds

```
1 rows inserted.
AMID AMFIRST      AMLAST      AMEDATE      AMSAL      AMCOMM REGION
-----
T500 NICK        TAYLOR      05-SEP-09    42000      3500 NE
```

Insert Command

- The **INSERT** statement issued on the previous slide requires no list of columns in the **INSERT INTO** clause since data is provided for all the required columns of the table
- The character data in the **VALUES** clause is entered in all upper case characters, so this is how it will be stored in the table
- *It is important to be consistent with respect to the case of the letters when entering character data values*
- Oracle will respond with a “1 row created” message confirming the insertion of the row of data
- A **SELECT** statement confirms that the record is inserted

Insert Command



The screenshot shows a database query builder interface with two tabs: 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, displaying an SQL INSERT statement across three lines. Line 1: `INSERT INTO acctmanager`, Line 2: `VALUES (B100, 'BILL', 'WRIGHT', '05-SEP-92', 92000, 7500, 'NE');`, Line 3: (empty). Below the query editor is a 'Script Output' window. It shows a status bar with icons and the text 'Task completed in 0.171 seconds'. The main area of the 'Script Output' window displays an error message: 'Error starting at line : 1 in command - INSERT INTO acctmanager VALUES (B100, 'BILL', 'WRIGHT', '05-SEP-92', 92000, 7500, 'NE') Error at Command Line : 2 Column : 9 Error report - SQL Error: ORA-00984: column not allowed here 00984. 00000 - "column not allowed here" *Cause: *Action:'. The error indicates that the character field 'NE' is not properly quoted with single quotes.

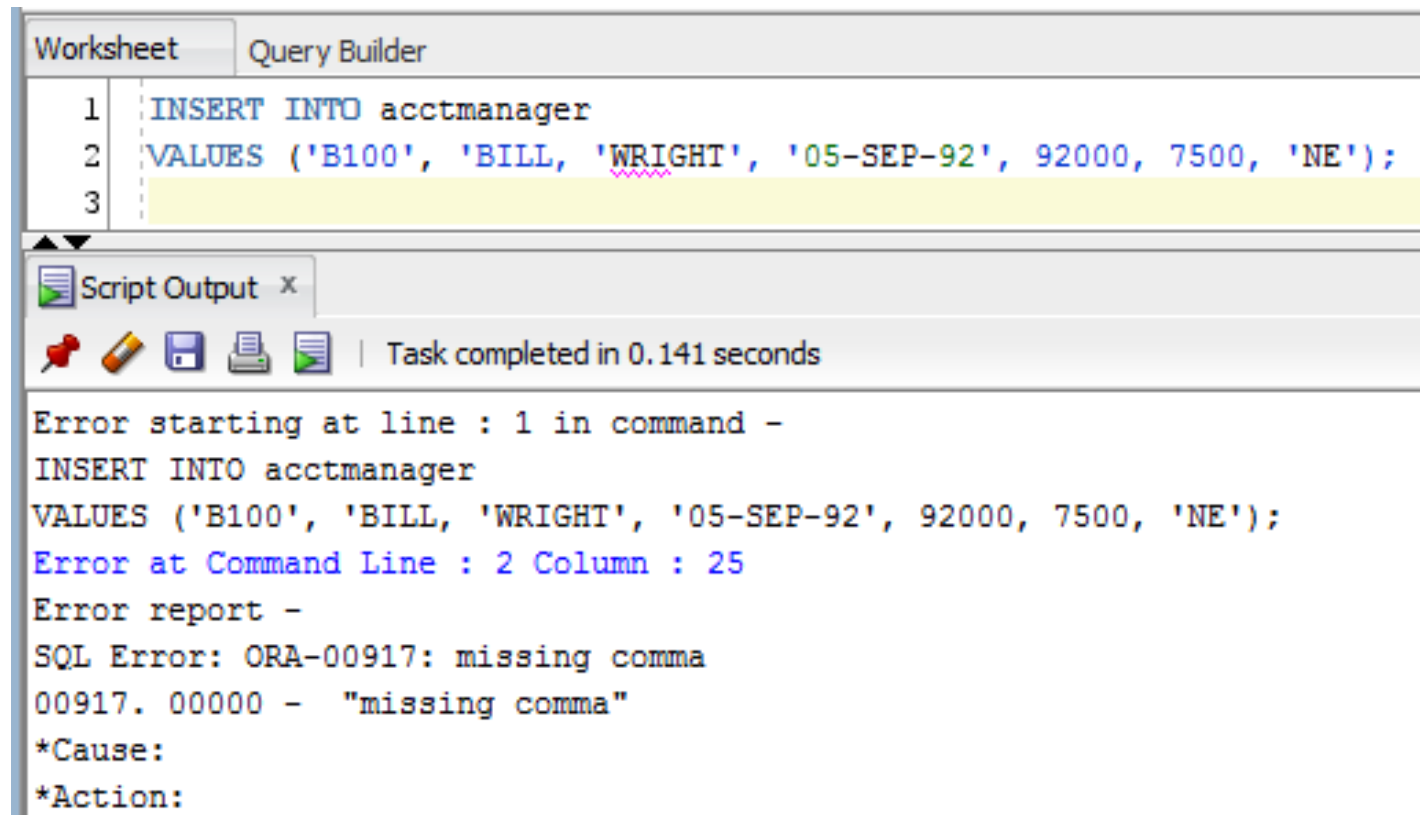
```
Worksheet Query Builder
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager
2 VALUES (B100, 'BILL', 'WRIGHT', '05-SEP-92', 92000, 7500, 'NE');
3

Script Output x
Task completed in 0.171 seconds

Error starting at line : 1 in command -
INSERT INTO acctmanager
VALUES (B100, 'BILL', 'WRIGHT', '05-SEP-92', 92000, 7500, 'NE')
Error at Command Line : 2 Column : 9
Error report -
SQL Error: ORA-00984: column not allowed here
00984. 00000 - "column not allowed here"
*Cause:
*Action:
```

The above INSERT statements show an error caused by omitting the single quotations around a character field

Insert Command



The screenshot shows a database query tool interface. At the top, there are two tabs: 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. Below the tabs, a query is entered in a text area:

```
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager
2 VALUES ('B100', 'BILL, 'WRIGHT', '05-SEP-92', 92000, 7500, 'NE');
3
```

The query is highlighted in yellow. Below the query area, there is a 'Script Output' window. It shows the execution status: 'Task completed in 0.141 seconds'. Below this, an error message is displayed:

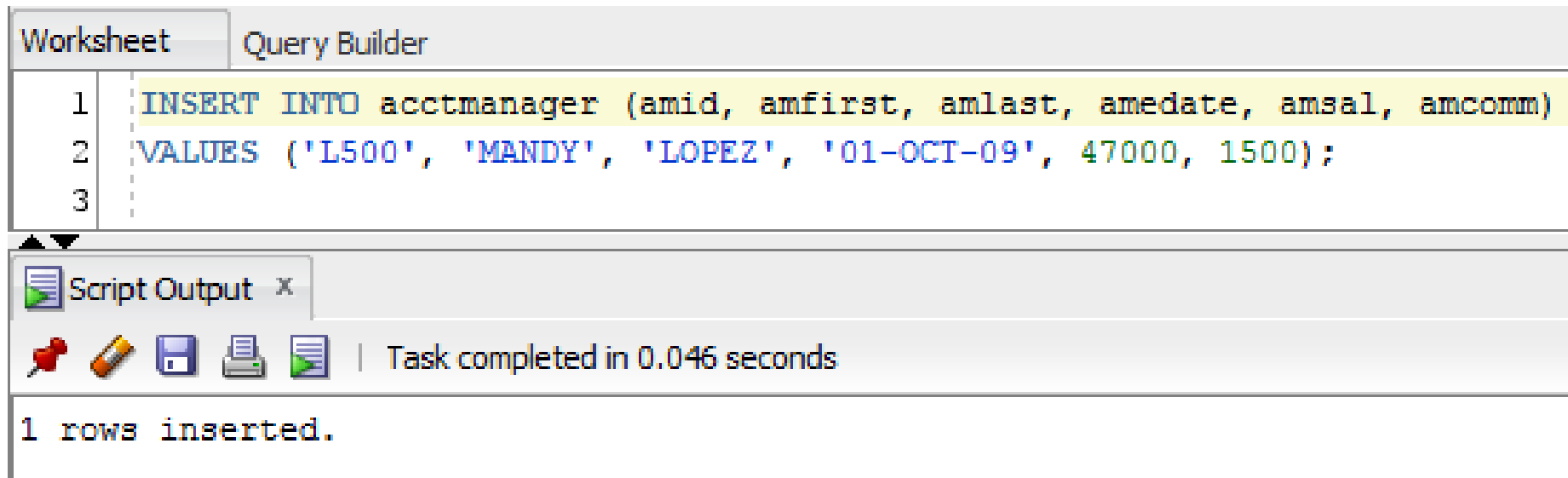
```
Error starting at line : 1 in command -
INSERT INTO acctmanager
VALUES ('B100', 'BILL, 'WRIGHT', '05-SEP-92', 92000, 7500, 'NE');
Error at Command Line : 2 Column : 25
Error report -
SQL Error: ORA-00917: missing comma
00917. 00000 - "missing comma"
*Cause:
*Action:
```

In this case the single quotation was omitted from the one side of BILL. Results in the above error, Could also display a ORA_01756 error, quoted string not properly terminated error

Insert Command

- The record to be entered into the ACCTMANAGER table on the next slide contains data for Mandy Lopez. As our initial data indicates, there is **no value** for **REGION**, we want it to be **NULL**
- There are several ways to enter a **NULL** value
- All three methods shown on the next few slides are valid methods for entering **NULL** values
- But, no matter which method is used they all work, the record will be deleted each time and reentered using the three different methods

Insert Command



The screenshot displays a database query builder window with two tabs: "Worksheet" and "Query Builder". The "Query Builder" tab is active, showing a SQL command in a text area. The command is an INSERT statement for a table named "acctmanager". The columns specified are "amid", "amfirst", "amlast", "amedate", "amsal", and "amcomm". The values provided are 'L500', 'MANDY', 'LOPEZ', '01-OCT-09', 47000, and 1500. The command is as follows:

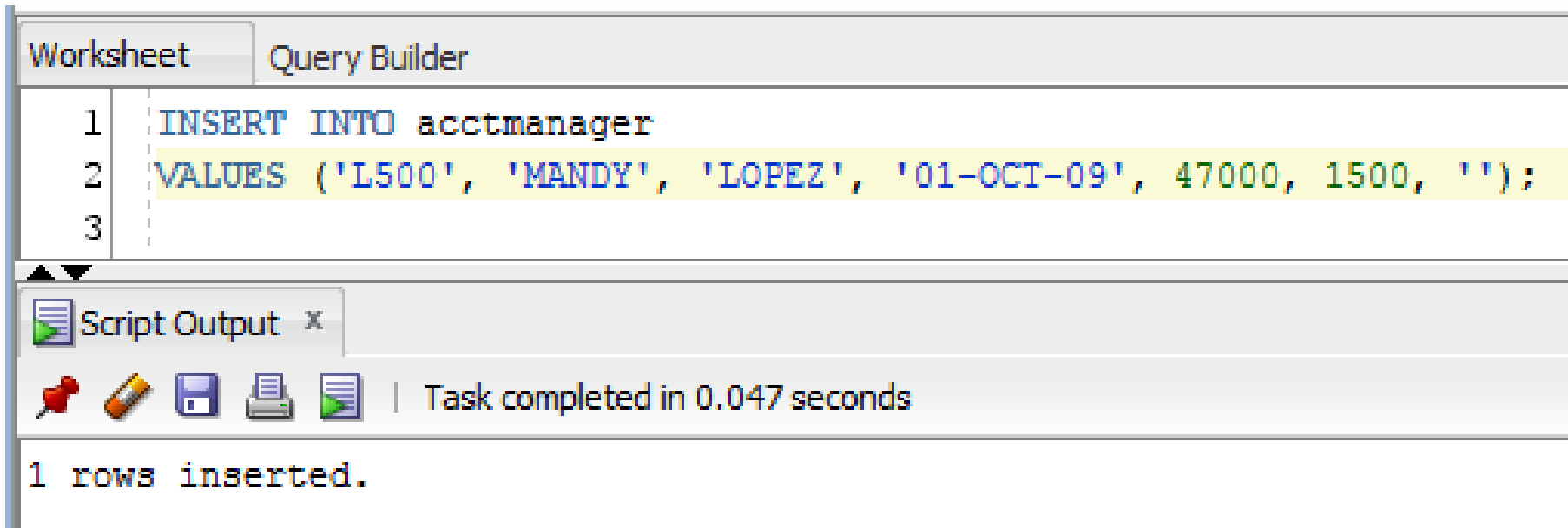
```
INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amedate, amsal, amcomm)
VALUES ('L500', 'MANDY', 'LOPEZ', '01-OCT-09', 47000, 1500);
```

Below the query area, there is a "Script Output" section. It contains a status bar with icons for a pin, a pencil, a save icon, a print icon, and a play icon. The status bar indicates "Task completed in 0.046 seconds". Below the status bar, the output shows "1 rows inserted."

In this case a column list is provided specifying the columns to be inserted to the table, notice the REGION is omitted, and so is its value

The result will be a NULL value being inserted for the REGION column

Insert Command



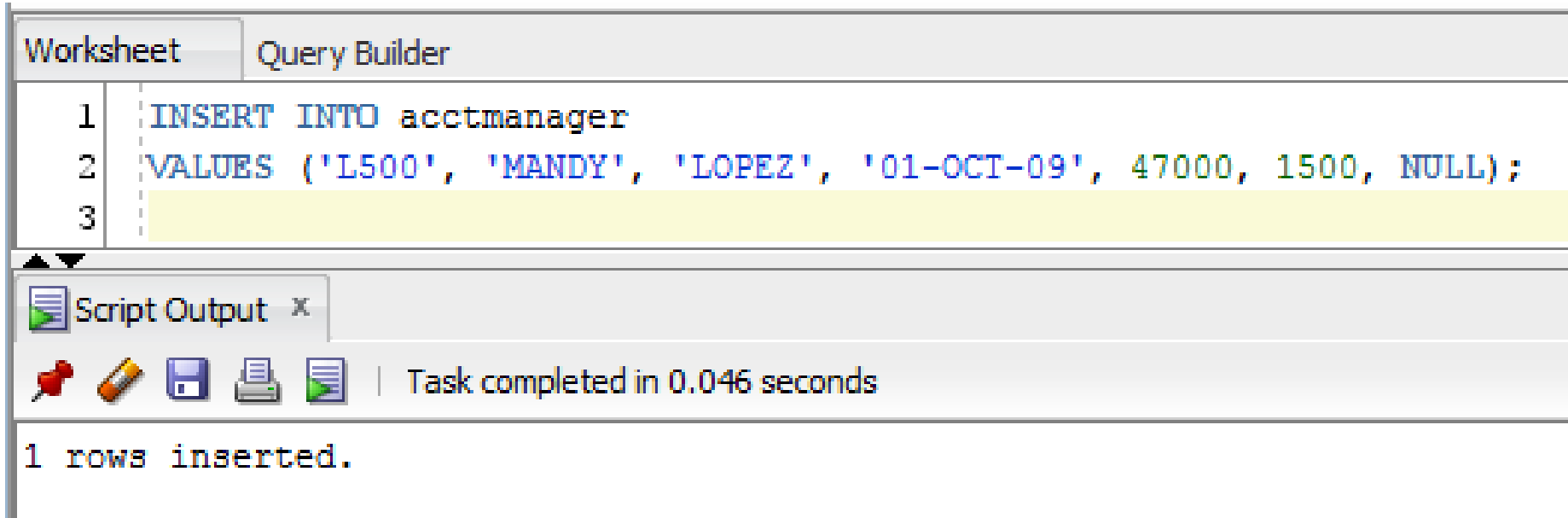
The screenshot shows a database query builder window with two tabs: 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, displaying an SQL INSERT statement across three lines. Line 1: `INSERT INTO acctmanager`. Line 2: `VALUES ('L500', 'MANDY', 'LOPEZ', '01-OCT-09', 47000, 1500, '');`. Line 3: (empty). Below the query editor, there is a 'Script Output' window. It contains a toolbar with icons for a pin, a pencil, a save icon, a print icon, and a play icon. To the right of the icons, it says 'Task completed in 0.047 seconds'. Below the toolbar, the output text reads '1 rows inserted.'

```
Worksheet Query Builder
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager
2 VALUES ('L500', 'MANDY', 'LOPEZ', '01-OCT-09', 47000, 1500, '');
3
Script Output x
Task completed in 0.047 seconds
1 rows inserted.
```

In the second case, there is no column list so the INSERT is expecting a value for each column

For the REGION column only two single quotes are specified, '' there is no space between the single quotes, this indicates a NULL value is to be inserted for the column

Insert Command



The screenshot displays a database management tool interface. At the top, there are two tabs: "Worksheet" and "Query Builder". The "Query Builder" tab is active, showing a SQL command in a text area. The command is:

```
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager
2 VALUES ('L500', 'MANDY', 'LOPEZ', '01-OCT-09', 47000, 1500, NULL);
3
```

Below the query editor, there is a "Script Output" window. It contains a toolbar with icons for a pin, a pencil, a save icon, a printer icon, and a refresh icon. To the right of the toolbar, it says "Task completed in 0.046 seconds". Below this, the output text reads:

```
1 rows inserted.
```

In the third case there is no column list so a value is needed for each column

In this case the REGION value is specified as a NULL, the keyword NULL can be used to indicate that a NULL value is being entered for the REGION

Insert Command

- The next record to be inserted to the ACCTMANAGER table will be done by providing a list of the columns that require values in the **INSERT INTO** clause
- When the row is inserted in this fashion, the actual values in the **VALUES** clause must be entered in the same sequence they are provided in the **INSERT INTO** clause
- The value for the **AMEDATE** is **omitted**, when the table was created we gave it a **DEFAULT** value of **SYSDATE**

Insert Command

The screenshot shows a database query tool interface. The top pane, titled 'Query Builder', contains the following SQL code:

```
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amsal, amcomm, region)
2 VALUES ('J500', 'Sammie', 'Jones', 39500, 2000, 'NW');
3
4 SELECT *
5 FROM acctmanager;
6
```

The bottom pane, titled 'Script Output', shows the execution results. It indicates that 1 row was inserted. Below this, a table displays the data in the 'acctmanager' table:

AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION
T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	NE
L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500	
J500	Sammie	Jones	22-FEB-15	39500	2000	NW

The output indicates a problem with the data in the way it was entered. Also, notice the value for date, where did it come from, it was omitted! Answer: the DEFAULT of SYSDATE was inserted for the omitted column

Insert Command

Worksheet

Query Builder

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```
INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amedate, amsal, amcomm, region)
VALUES ('J500', 'Sammie', 'Jones', DEFAULT, 39500, 2000, 'NW');

SELECT *
FROM acctmanager;
```

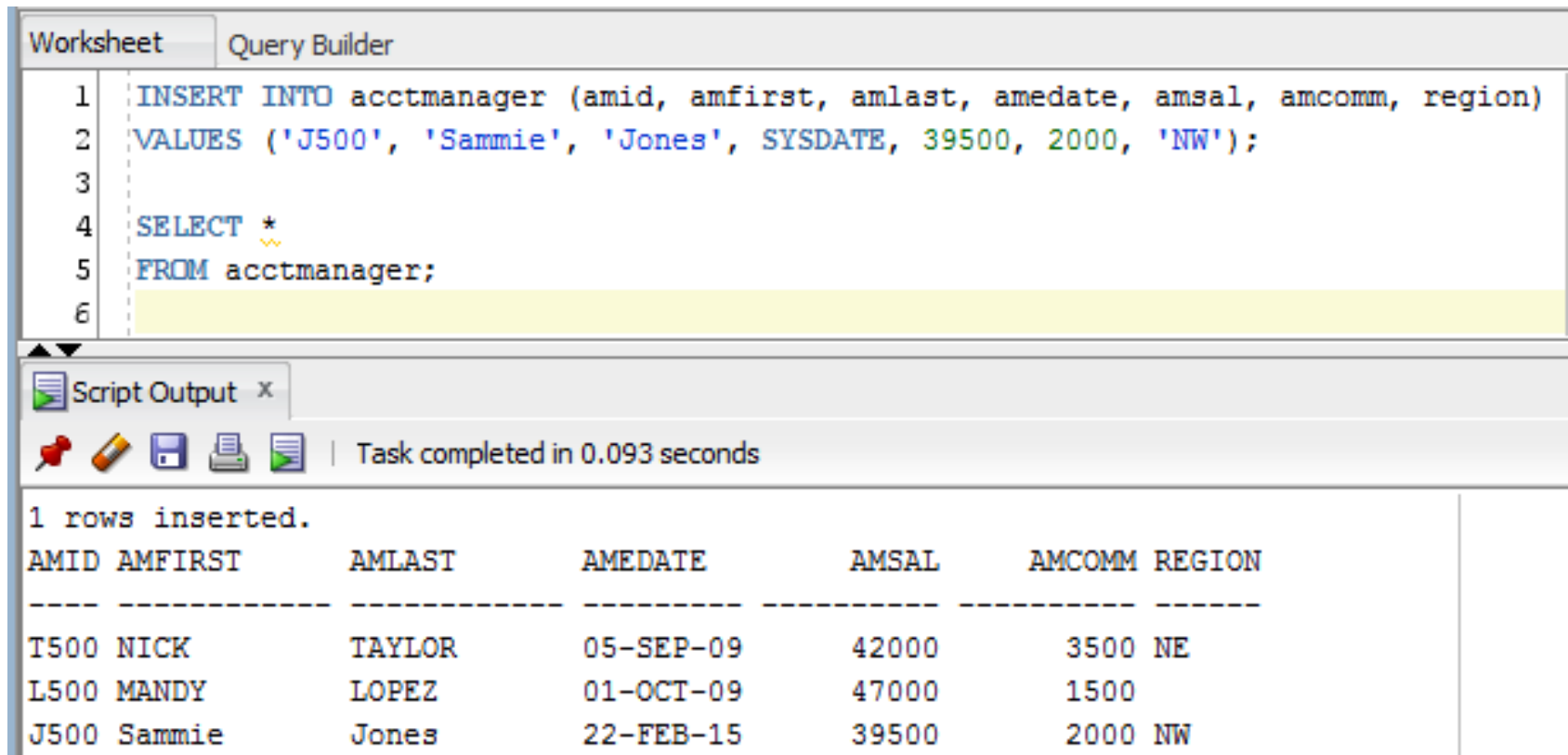
Script Output x

     | Task completed in 0.094 seconds

```
1 rows inserted.
AMID AMFIRST      AMLAST      AMEDATE      AMSAL      AMCOMM REGION
-----
T500 NICK         TAYLOR      05-SEP-09    42000      3500 NE
L500 MANDY       LOPEZ       01-OCT-09    47000      1500
J500 Sammie      Jones       22-FEB-15    39500      2000 NW
```

In this case all columns are specified and the DEFAULT keyword is used for the AMEDATE column, specifying to use the DEFAULT value of SYSDATE

Insert Command



The screenshot shows a database query builder interface with two tabs: 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, displaying the following SQL code:

```
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amedate, amsal, amcomm, region)
2 VALUES ('J500', 'Sammie', 'Jones', SYSDATE, 39500, 2000, 'NW');
3
4 SELECT *
5 FROM acctmanager;
6
```

Below the query editor, there is a 'Script Output' window. It shows the execution results of the query. The output indicates that 1 row was inserted. Below this, a table displays the data from the 'acctmanager' table, including the newly inserted row.

AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION
T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	NE
L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500	
J500	Sammie	Jones	22-FEB-15	39500	2000	NW

You can actually specify that the SYSDATE value be inserted to the column directly, this is a keyword that will provide the current system date from the server

Insert Command

- The data inserted for Sammie Jones is in mixed case. This would cause problems using the **SELECT** statement, since the data entered should be consistent. *Remember that stored data is case sensitive.* The inconsistent case for **AMFIRST** and **AMLAST** will have to be fixed, this will be done later in this lecture
- A date also appears in the record for Sammie Jones. This is because there was a default value for the **AMEDATE** column. Since **DEFAULT** says if it was left as a **NULL**, **SYSDATE** is to be inserted in its place

Insert with Virtual Columns

- A **virtual column** is a column that the value is generated based on the values of other columns
- In other words the database system generates the value for the column automatically based on the manipulation or a calculation defined for the column
- If a virtual column is included in a table it will affect how the INSERT command can be used
- The virtual column must be ignored in an INSERT command

Insert with Virtual Columns

- A new column is going to be added to our table called AMEARN
- It is going to contain the total earnings for the account manager, this is the SALARY plus the COMMISSION
- A query will be used against the table to see how the new virtual column behaves

Insert with Virtual Columns

The screenshot shows a database query builder interface with two tabs: "Worksheet" and "Query Builder". The "Query Builder" tab is active, displaying two lines of SQL code:

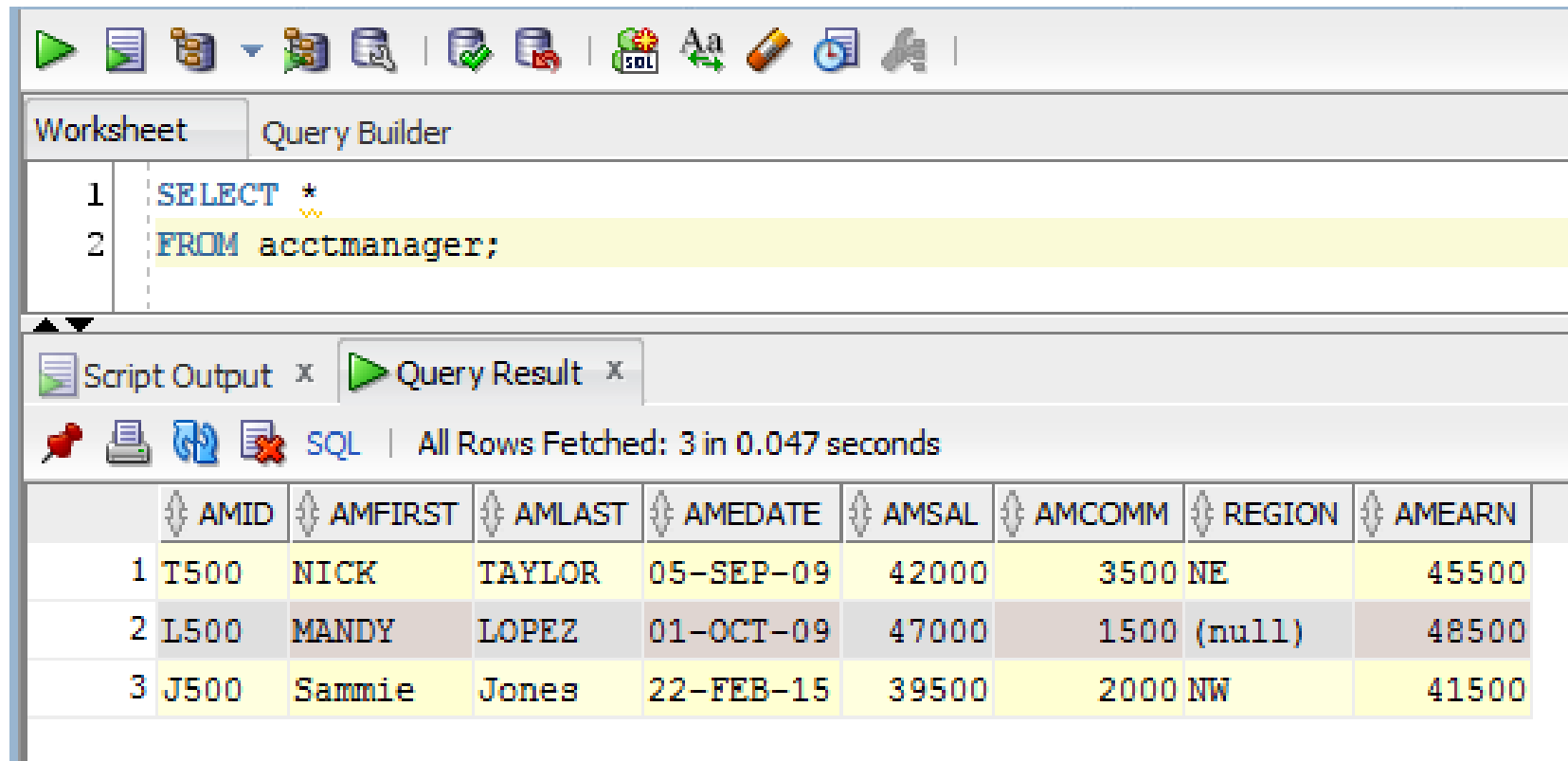
```
1 ALTER TABLE acctmanager  
2 ADD amearn AS (amsal + amcomm);
```

The second line is highlighted in yellow. Below the query editor is a "Script Output" window with a close button (X). It contains a toolbar with icons for a red pushpin, a pencil, a save icon, a printer, and a play button. To the right of the toolbar, it says "Task completed in 0.062 seconds". Below the toolbar, the output text reads:

```
table ACCTMANAGER altered.
```

New virtual column AMEARN added to the table as a calculation

Insert with Virtual Columns



The screenshot shows a database query tool interface. At the top is a toolbar with various icons. Below it is a tabbed interface with 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder' tabs. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, showing a SQL query in a text area:

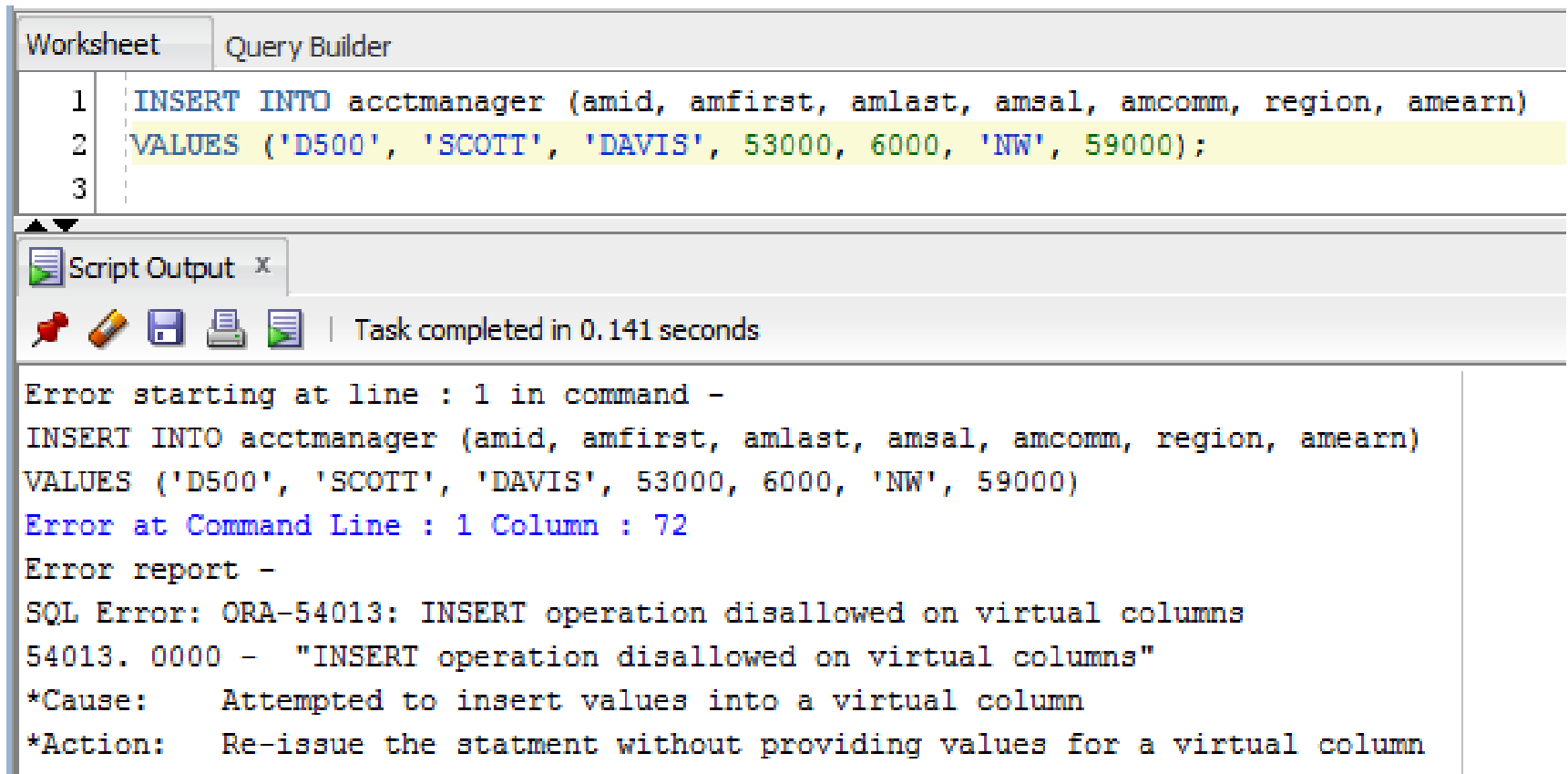
```
1 SELECT *  
2 FROM acctmanager;
```

Below the query editor is a 'Script Output' tab and a 'Query Result' tab. The 'Query Result' tab is active, displaying the results of the query. The status bar indicates 'All Rows Fetched: 3 in 0.047 seconds'. The results are shown in a table with the following columns: AMID, AMFIRST, AMLAST, AMEDATE, AMSAL, AMCOMM, REGION, and AMEARN.

	AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION	AMEARN
1	T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	NE	45500
2	L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500	(null)	48500
3	J500	Sammie	Jones	22-FEB-15	39500	2000	NW	41500

When used in a SELECT the calculation is performed that defined the virtual column and the result of the calculation is displayed

Insert with Virtual Columns



The screenshot displays a database query builder interface. The top section, labeled 'Query Builder', contains an SQL INSERT statement: `INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amsal, amcomm, region, amearn) VALUES ('D500', 'SCOTT', 'DAVIS', 53000, 6000, 'NW', 59000);`. The bottom section, labeled 'Script Output', shows the execution results. It indicates that the task completed in 0.141 seconds but then reports an error starting at line 1 in command 1. The error message is: `SQL Error: ORA-54013: INSERT operation disallowed on virtual columns 54013. 0000 - "INSERT operation disallowed on virtual columns"`. The cause is identified as 'Attempted to insert values into a virtual column', and the action is 'Re-issue the statment without providing values for a virtual column'.

Worksheet Query Builder

```
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amsal, amcomm, region, amearn)
2 VALUES ('D500', 'SCOTT', 'DAVIS', 53000, 6000, 'NW', 59000);
3
```

Script Output x

Task completed in 0.141 seconds

Error starting at line : 1 in command -
INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amsal, amcomm, region, amearn)
VALUES ('D500', 'SCOTT', 'DAVIS', 53000, 6000, 'NW', 59000)
Error at Command Line : 1 Column : 72
Error report -
SQL Error: ORA-54013: INSERT operation disallowed on virtual columns
54013. 0000 - "INSERT operation disallowed on virtual columns"
*Cause: Attempted to insert values into a virtual column
*Action: Re-issue the statment without providing values for a virtual column

With our newly defined virtual column an attempt to insert a value to the virtual column was unsuccessful, an error was presented as a result

Insert with Virtual Columns

The screenshot shows a database query builder interface with a 'Worksheet' tab and a 'Query Builder' tab. The SQL script in the query builder is as follows:

```
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amsal, amcomm, region)
2 VALUES ('D500', 'SCOTT', 'DAVIS', 53000, 6000, 'NW');
3
4 SELECT *
5 FROM acctmanager;
6
```

Below the query builder is a 'Script Output' window showing the results of the execution. It indicates that 1 row was inserted and displays a table of data from the 'acctmanager' table.

AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION	AMEARN
T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	NE	45500
L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500		48500
J500	Sammie	Jones	22-FEB-15	39500	2000	NW	41500
D500	SCOTT	DAVIS	22-FEB-15	53000	6000	NW	59000

A value is never inserted to a virtual column, as you see the SELECT shows the result of the virtual column

Handling Single Quotes in Insert

- Inserting values that contain single quotes raises an error because they are confused with the single quotations used to enclose character data and date values
- How would be insert the name Peg O'Hara?
- Let's try

Handling Single Quotes in Insert

The screenshot shows a database query builder interface with two tabs: 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, displaying an SQL INSERT statement. The statement is as follows:

```
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amsal, amcomm, region)
2 VALUES ('M500', 'Peg', 'O'Hara', 46000, 2000, 'SW');
3
```

The third line of the statement is highlighted in yellow. Below the query editor, there is a 'Script Output' window. It shows the execution of the command and the resulting error:

```
Script Output x
Task completed in 0.14 seconds

Error starting at line : 1 in command -
INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amsal, amcomm, region)
VALUES ('M500', 'Peg', 'O'Hara', 46000, 2000, 'SW');
Error at Command Line : 2 Column : 27
Error report -
SQL Error: ORA-00917: missing comma
00917. 00000 - "missing comma"
*Cause:
*Action:
```

When a single quote is inserted it produces a ORA-00917 error

Handling Single Quotes in Insert

- The error states that the issue is a missing comma
- The single quote is treated as the closing quote for the string 'O' for the last name
- To instruct Oracle to treat a single quote as part of the string value enter two single quotes together in the value, **do not use the double quote!!!**
- The result will appear as O"Hara

Handling Single Quotes in Insert

The screenshot shows a database query builder interface. At the top, there are two tabs: "Worksheet" and "Query Builder". The "Query Builder" tab is active, displaying an SQL insert statement. The statement is as follows:

```
1 INSERT INTO acctmanager (amid, amfirst, amlast, amsal, amcomm, region)
2 VALUES ('M500', 'Peg', 'O''Hara', 46000, 2000, 'SW');
3
```

Below the query editor, there is a "Script Output" window. It contains a toolbar with icons for a pin, a pencil, a save icon, a print icon, and a refresh icon. To the right of the toolbar, it says "Task completed in 0.031 seconds". Below the toolbar, the output text reads:

```
1 rows inserted.
```

With this modification provided the row is successfully inserted

Handling Single Quotes in Insert

Worksheet

Query Builder

1





2

SELECT *

FROM acctmanager;

Script Output x

Query Result x

 SQL | All Rows Fetched: 5 in 0.047 seconds

	AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION	AMEARN
1	T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	NE	45500
2	L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500	(null)	48500
3	J500	Sammie	Jones	22-FEB-15	39500	2000	NW	41500
4	D500	SCOTT	DAVIS	22-FEB-15	53000	6000	NW	59000
5	M500	Peg	O'Hara	22-FEB-15	46000	2000	SW	48000

Table data shown with our new row inserted with a single quote in he last name

Inserting Data from an Existing Table

- Previously, we used the **CREATE TABLE** command to create a new table with a subquery that creates and populates the table based on the structure and content of an existing table
- If the table already exists and all you need to do is records to the table, you can use the **INSERT INTO** *command with a subquery*

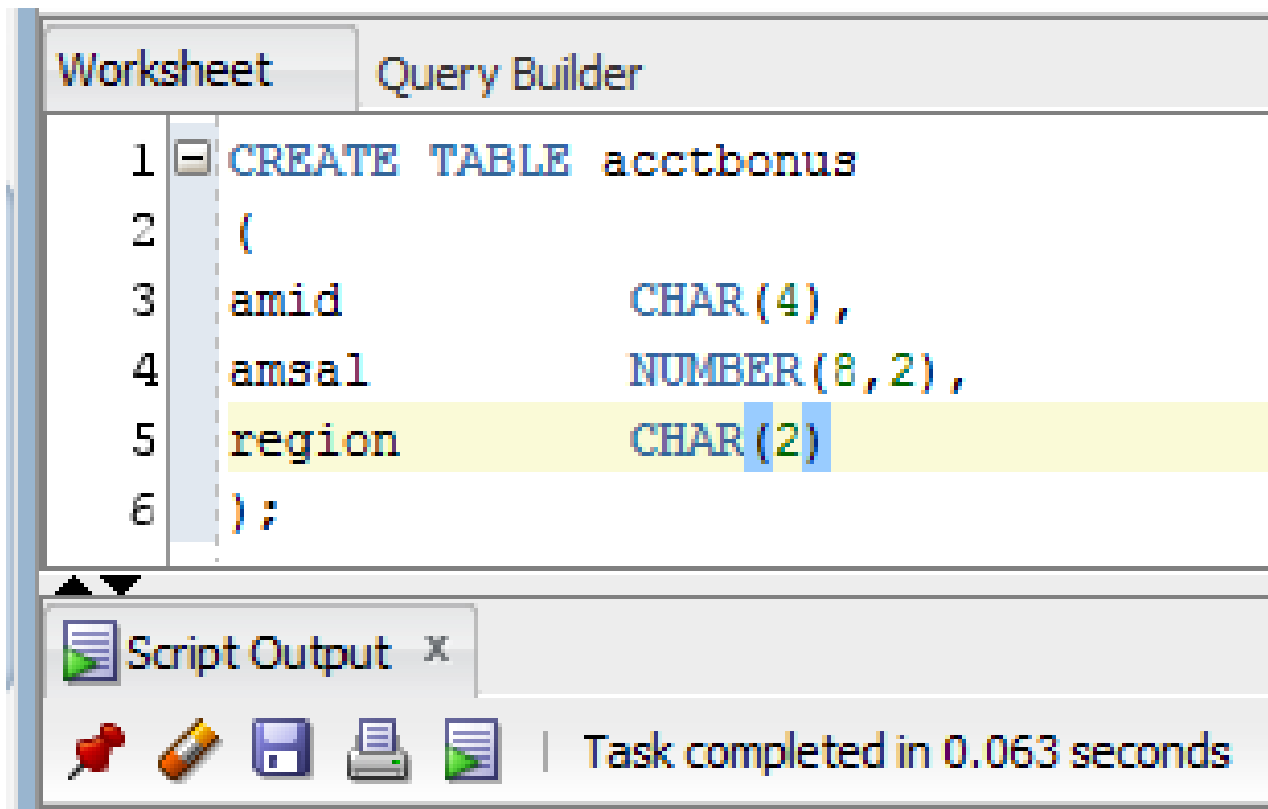
Inserting Data from an Existing Table

```
INSERT INTO tablename [(columnname, ...)]  
subquery;
```

Inserting Data from an Existing Table

- The main difference between the **INSERT INTO** command with actual data values and a subquery is that the **VALUES** clause *is not included when the command is used with a subquery*
- The data are derived from the results of the subquery and the **VALUES** clause would actually *indicate that there are actual data values to enter into the table*
- Unlike other commands, the **INSERT INTO** command *does not require the subquery to be enclosed in parentheses*


Inserting Data from an Existing Table









A new table is created called ACCTBONUS, only has the three columns but no data

Inserting Data from an Existing Table

Worksheet		Query Builder
1		<code>INSERT INTO acctbonus (amid, amsal, region)</code>
2		<code>SELECT amid, amsal, region</code>
3		<code>FROM acctmanager;</code>

 Script Output x

 Query Result x

     | Task completed in 0.063 seconds

5 rows inserted.

Inserting Data from an Existing Table

- Having this data in a separate table allows the IT department to work on the data in the new table without interfering with the actual data records in the original ACCTMANAGER table
- Testing can be done on the new table without interfering with the records personnel needs in ACCTMANAGER and changes can be made to the original ACCTMANAGER table without interfering with the data in the ACCTBONUS table

Inserting Data from an Existing Table

- The **SELECT** clause of the subquery lists the columns to be copied from the original table (ACCTMANAGER) which is identified in the **FROM** clause
- There is no column list provided with the **INSERT INTO** clause since the columns returned by the subquery are in the same order as the columns in the new table definition (ACCTBONUS)
- This new table can now be queried as shown

Inserting Data from an Existing Table

Worksheet Query Builder

```
1 SELECT *  
2 FROM acctbonus;
```

Script Output x Query Result x

SQL | All Rows Fetched: 5 in 0.047 seconds

	AMID	AMSAL	REGION
1	T500	42000	NE
2	L500	47000	(null)
3	J500	39500	NW
4	D500	53000	NW
5	M500	46000	SW

Our new table with the 5 rows of data added to it

Modifying Existing Rows

- There will be times when record data needs to be changed
- People move, prices change, etc.
- **INSERT INTO** is only used to add records to a table, it does not allow modification to existing data
- The **UPDATE** command is used to *modify data in existing rows*
- We will look at *how to do updates*, and *how to create interactive scripts to be used for performing updates through substitution variables*

Update Command

```
UPDATE tablename  
SET columnname = new_datavalue, ...  
[WHERE condition];
```

UPDATE Command

- The **UPDATE** clause identifies the table containing the record(s) to be changed
- The **SET** clause is used to identify the column to be changed and the new value to be assigned to it
- More than one column and value can be specified, separated by commas
- The optional **WHERE** clause identifies the exact row to be changed by the **UPDATE** command
- If the **WHERE** clause is omitted, then the column specified in the **SET** clause will update all records in the specified table

UPDATE Command

Worksheet Query Builder

```
1  UPDATE acctmanager
2  SET amedate = '01-AUG-09'
3  WHERE amid = 'J500';
```



Script Output x



Query Result x



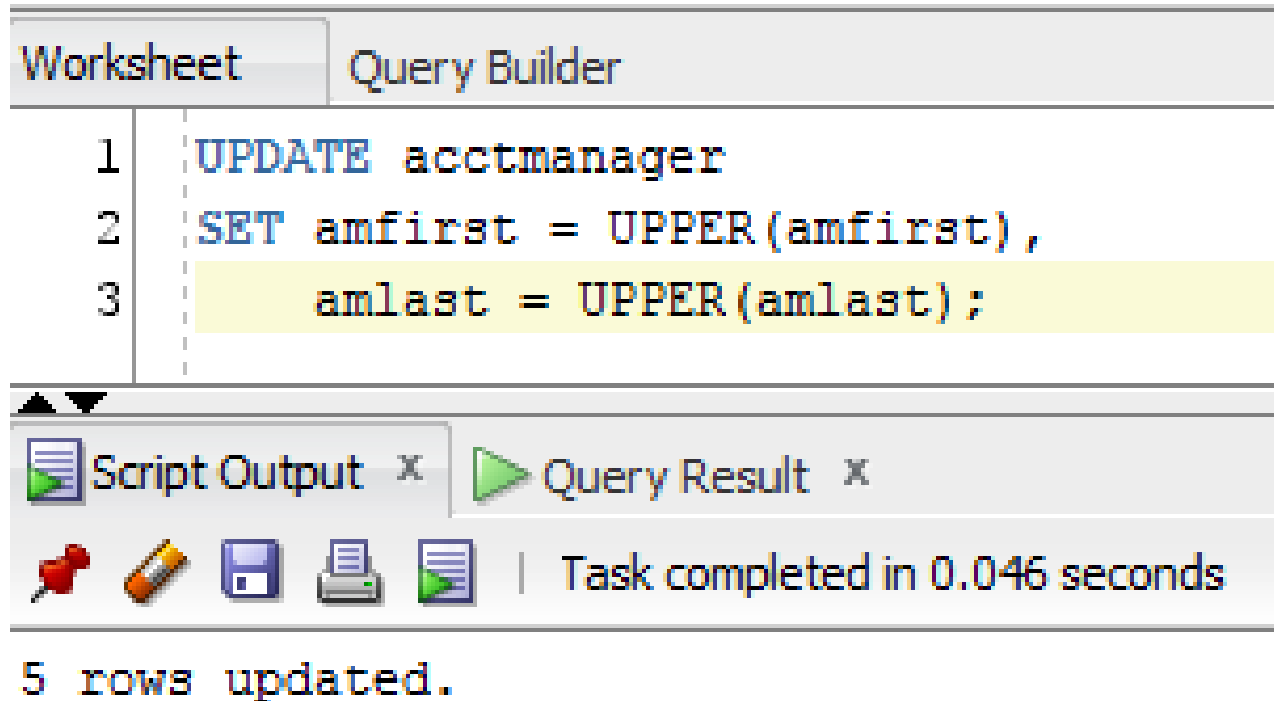
Task completed in 0.047 seconds

1 rows updated.

UPDATE Command

- The **SET** clause in the previous slide changes the date to be modified
- When the **SELECT** statement is used to view the data, the date appears as the new date value
- The **WHERE** clause is used to identify exactly which record should be altered, the primary key field is used to update only the specified record

UPDATE Command



The screenshot shows a database query tool interface. At the top, there are two tabs: 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. Below the tabs, a SQL query is entered in a text area, with line numbers 1, 2, and 3 on the left. The query is: `UPDATE acctmanager` on line 1, `SET amfirst = UPPER(amfirst),` on line 2, and `amlast = UPPER(amlast);` on line 3. The third line is highlighted in yellow. Below the query area, there is a toolbar with icons for 'Script Output', 'Query Result', and other functions. To the right of the toolbar, it says 'Task completed in 0.046 seconds'. At the bottom of the window, the text '5 rows updated.' is displayed.

```
1  UPDATE acctmanager
2  SET amfirst = UPPER(amfirst),
3  amlast = UPPER(amlast);
```

Task completed in 0.046 seconds

5 rows updated.

The above UPDATE command updates all records in the ACCTMANAGER table, since no WHERE clause is specified as a condition, more on UPPER Function will be shown in future

UPDATE Command

Worksheet

Query Builder

1





SELECT *

2

FROM acctmanager;

Script Output x

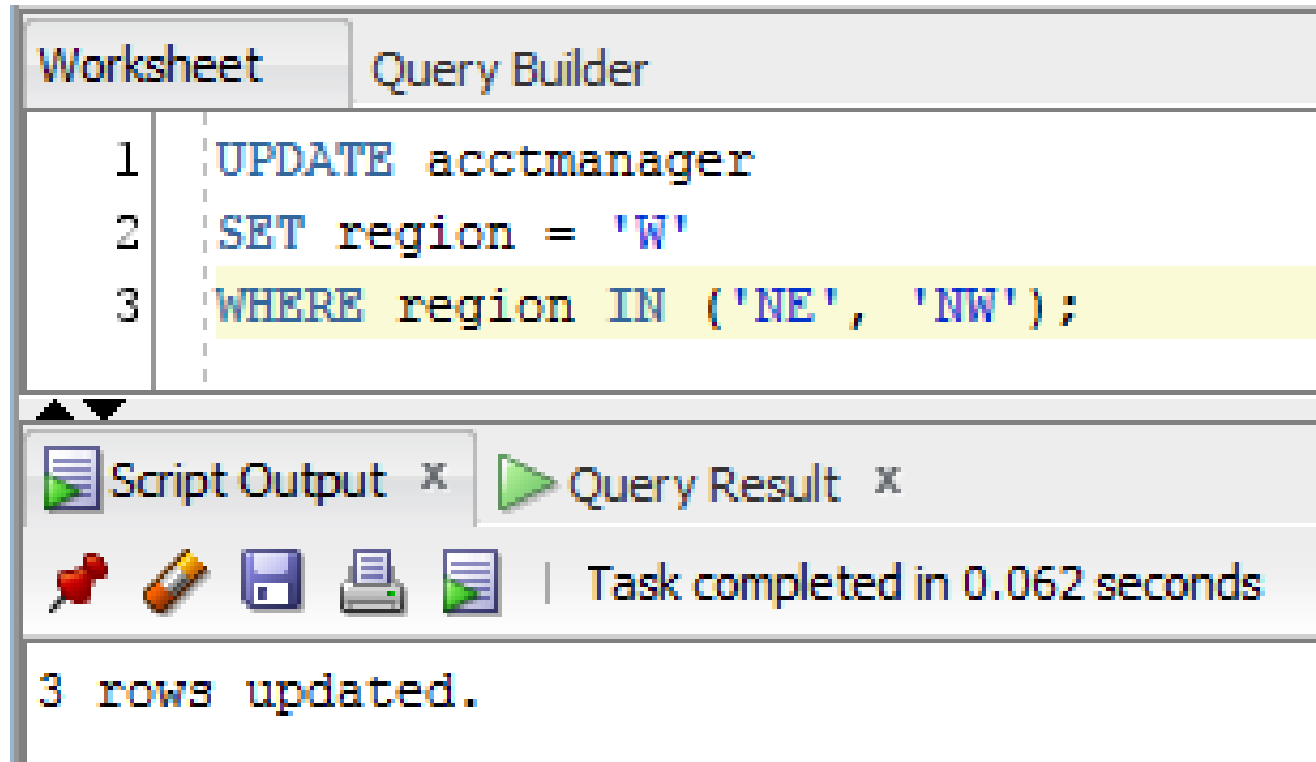
Query Result x

 SQL | All Rows Fetched: 5 in 0.046 seconds

	AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION	AMEARN
1	T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	NE	45500
2	L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500	(null)	48500
3	J500	SAMMIE	JONES	01-AUG-09	39500	2000	NW	41500
4	D500	SCOTT	DAVIS	22-FEB-15	53000	6000	NW	59000
5	M500	PEG	O'HARA	22-FEB-15	46000	2000	SW	48000

Modifications made to our data, can you see the differences?

UPDATE Command



The above UPDATE command used to update REGION to W, the WHERE clause specifies which rows are to be updated

UPDATE Command

Worksheet

Query Builder

1

2

SELECT *

FROM acctmanager;

Script Output x

Query Result x

SQL | All Rows Fetched: 5 in 0.031 seconds

	AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION	AMEARN
1	T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	W	45500
2	L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500	(null)	48500
3	J500	SAMMIE	JONES	01-AUG-09	39500	2000	W	41500
4	D500	SCOTT	DAVIS	22-FEB-15	53000	6000	W	59000
5	M500	PEG	O'HARA	22-FEB-15	46000	2000	SW	48000

Table contents with changes shown

Substitution Variables

- In some cases, it may seem like a great deal of effort to add a record to a table or even update a record
- This can be very true if you need to modify many different records
- For example, say a table called CUSTOMER table now needs to contain data that identifies the marketing region for each customer
- After the Region column is added to the table using the **ALTER TABLE** command, every *customer record will need to be updated with the value for the new column*

Substitution Variables

Worksheet

Query Builder

1

SELECT *

2

FROM customer;

Script Output

Query Result

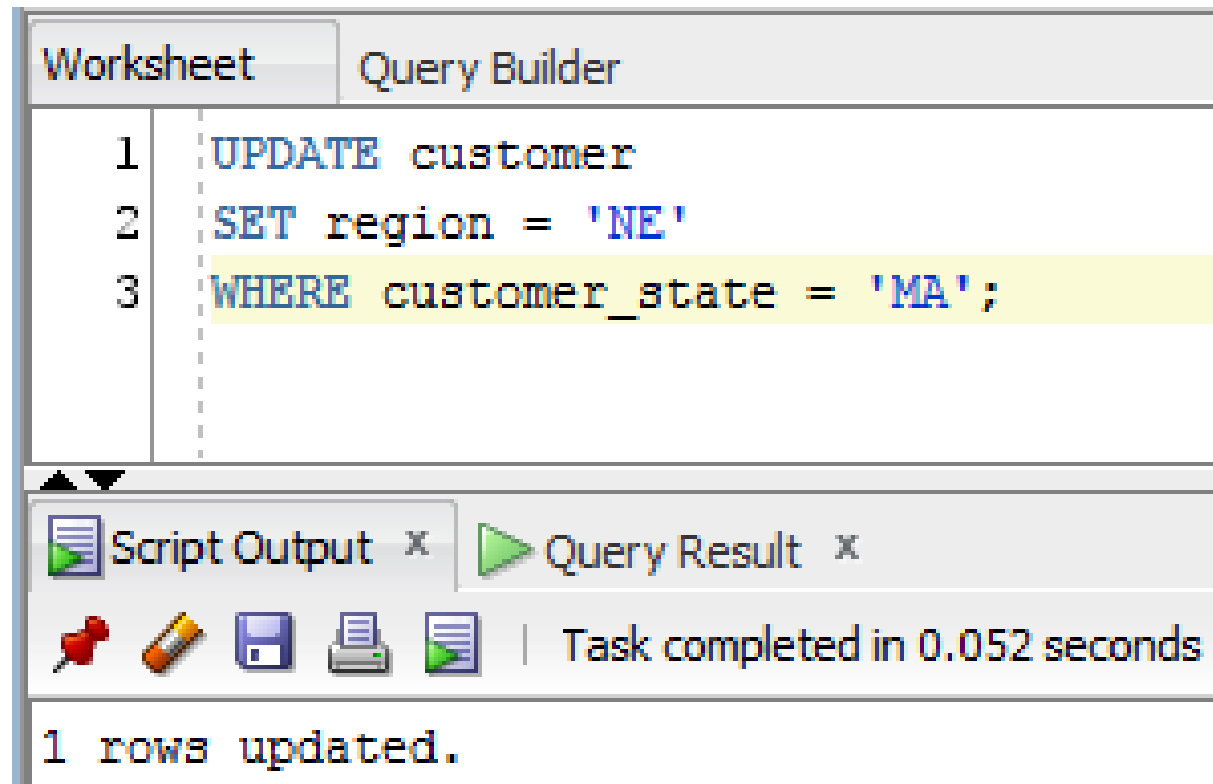
SQL

All Rows Fetched: 24 in 0.049 seconds

	CUSTOMER_ID	CUSTOMER_LAST_NAME	CUSTOMER_FIRST_NAME	CUSTOMER_ADDRESS	CUSTOMER_CITY	CUSTOMER_STATE	CUSTOMER_ZIP	CUSTOMER_PHONE	REGION
1	1	Anders	Maria	345 Winchell Pl	Anderson	IN	46014	(765) 555-7878	(null)
2	2	Trujillo	Ana	1298 E Smathers St	Benton	AR	72018	(501) 555-7733	(null)
3	3	Moreno	Antonio	6925 N Parkland Ave	Puyallup	WA	98373	(253) 555-8332	(null)
4	4	Hardy	Thomas	83 d'Urberville Ln	Casterbridge	GA	31209	(478) 555-1139	(null)
5	5	Berglund	Christina	22717 E 73rd Ave	Dubuque	IA	52004	(319) 555-1139	(null)
6	6	Moos	Hanna	1778 N Bovine Ave	Peoria	IL	61638	(309) 555-8755	(null)
7	7	Citeaux	Fred	1234 Main St	Normal	IL	61761	(309) 555-1914	(null)
8	8	Summer	Martin	1877 Ete Ct	Frogtown	LA	70563	(337) 555-9441	(null)
9	9	Lebihan	Laurence	717 E Michigan Ave	Chicago	IL	60611	(312) 555-9441	(null)
10	10	Lincoln	Elizabeth	4562 Rt 78 E	Vancouver	WA	98684	(360) 555-2680	(null)
11	11	Snyder	Howard	2732 Baker Blvd.	Eugene	OR	97403	(503) 555-7555	(null)
12	12	Latimer	Yoshi	City Center Plaza 516 Main St.	Elgin	OR	97827	(503) 555-6874	(null)
13	13	Steel	John	12 Orchestra Terrace	Walla Walla	WA	99362	(509) 555-7969	(null)
14	14	Yorres	Jaime	87 Polk St. Suite 5	San Francisco	CA	94117	(415) 555-5938	(null)
15	15	Wilson	Fran	89 Chiaroscuro Rd.	Portland	OR	97219	(503) 555-9573	(null)
16	16	Phillips	Rene	2743 Bering St.	Anchorage	AK	99508	(907) 555-7584	(null)
17	17	Wilson	Paula	2817 Milton Dr.	Albuquerque	NM	87110	(505) 555-5939	(null)
18	18	Pavarotti	Jose	187 Suffolk Ln.	Boise	ID	83720	(208) 555-8097	(null)
19	19	Braunschweiger	Art	P.O. Box 555	Lander	WY	82520	(307) 555-4680	(null)
20	20	Nixon	Liz	89 Jefferson Way Suite 2	Providence	RI	02909	(401) 555-3612	(null)
21	21	Wong	Liu	55 Grizzly Peak Rd.	Butte	MT	59801	(406) 555-5834	(null)
22	22	Nagy	Helvetius	722 DaVinci Blvd.	Concord	MA	01742	(351) 555-1219	(null)
23	23	Jablonski	Karl	305 - 14th Ave. S. Suite 3B	Seattle	WA	98128	(206) 555-4112	(null)
24	24	Chelan	Donna	2299 E Baylor Dr	Dallas	TX	75224	(469) 555-8828	(null)

The REGION column has been added, it contains NULLs

Substitution Variables

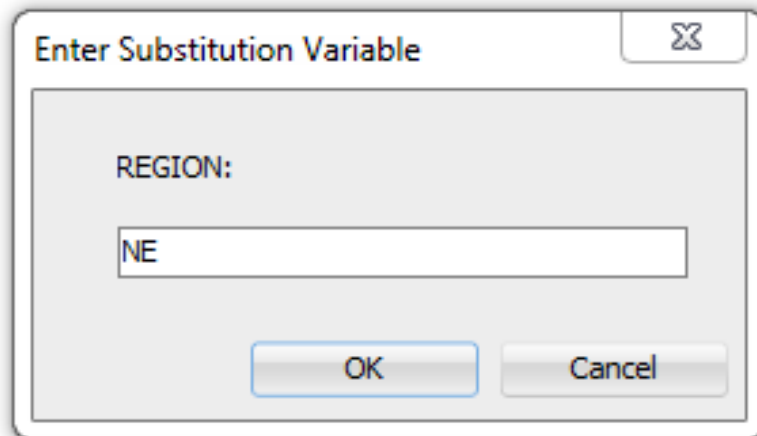
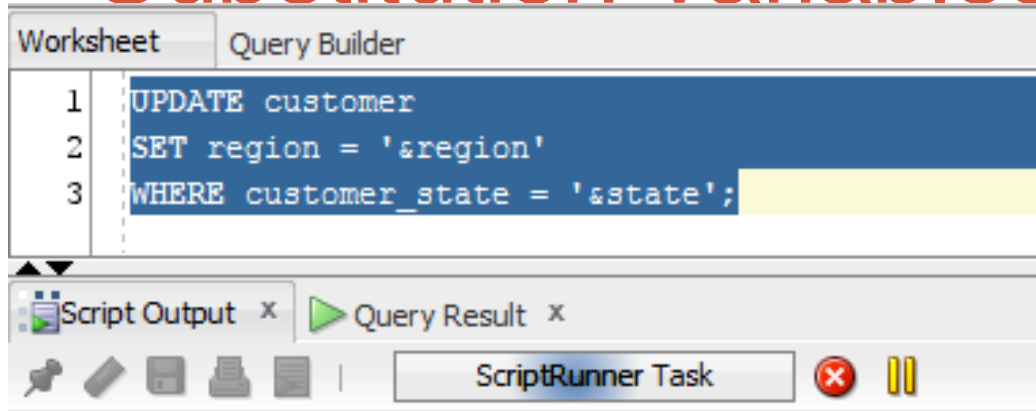


UPDATE can be used to set the Region value for each column. However, this is tedious since the command must be reentered for each state

Substitution Variables

- Rather than type the same command again and again to modify the column with the necessary values, we can use substitution variables
- A **substitution variable** in a SQL command instructs Oracle to use a substituted value in place of the variable when command is executed
- To include a substitution variable in a SQL command, use the ampersand (&) followed by the name to be used for the variable
- *This value will be substituted with actual data when the command is executed*

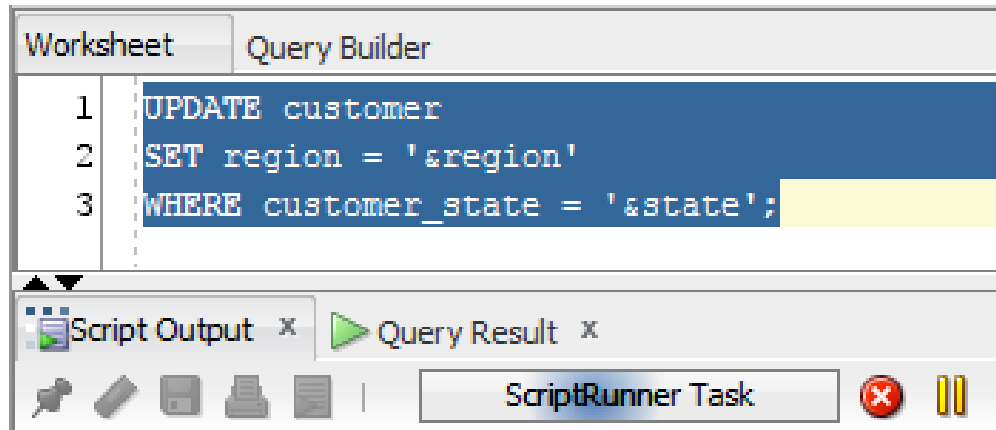
Substitution Variables



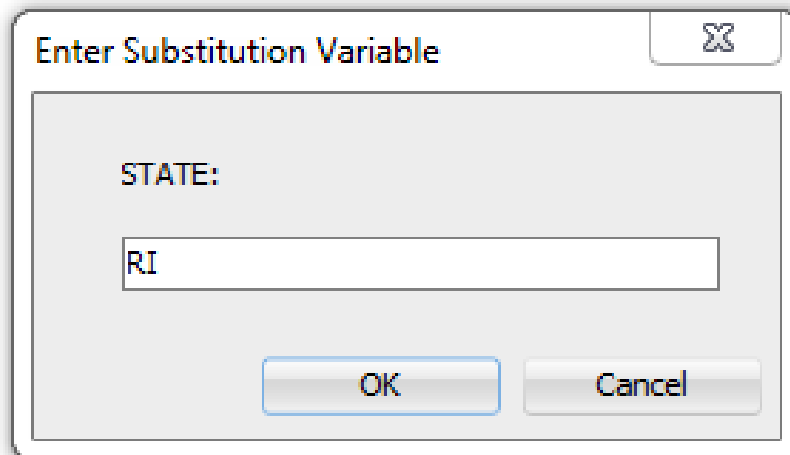
When the UPDATE is executed, the user is prompted to provide values at execution time.

A dialog box appears to prompt for the REGION, a value of NE is entered, click OK

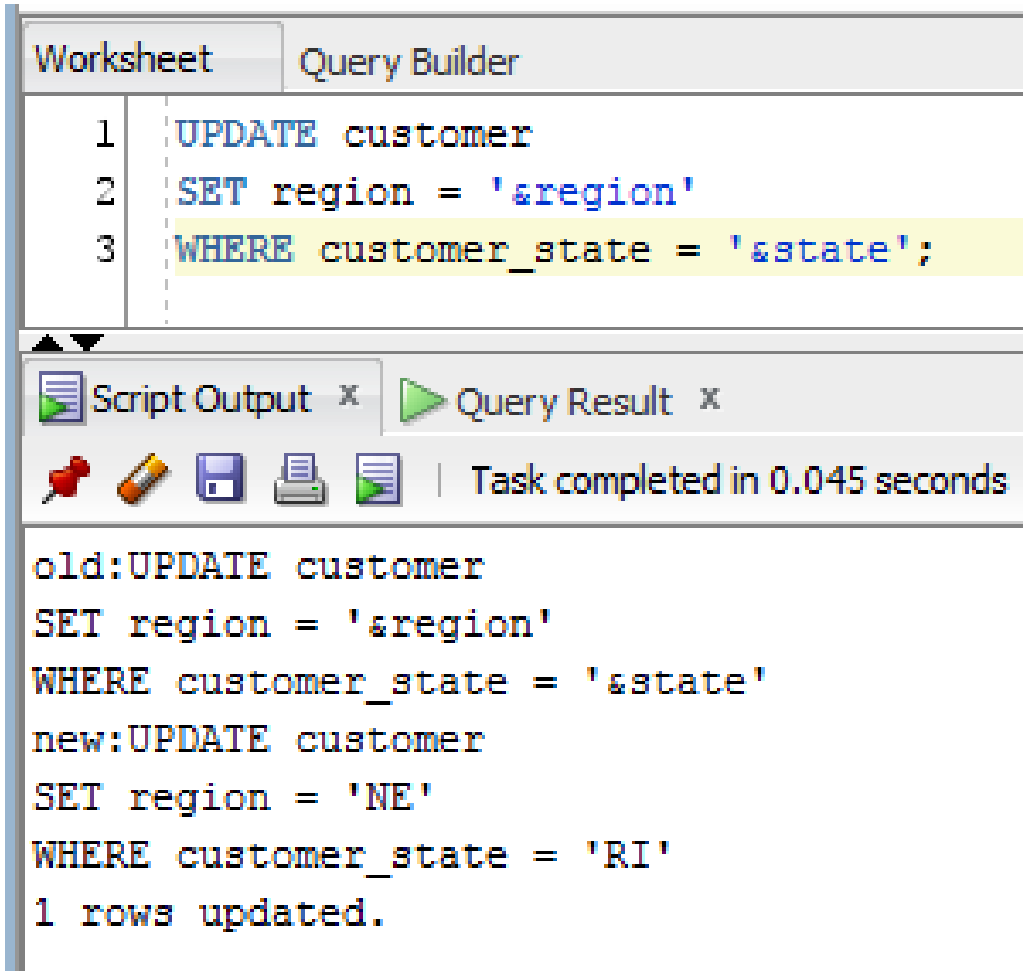
Substitution Variables



Since we had two variables, you are now prompted to enter the value for the STATE, in this case RI



Substitution Variables



The screenshot shows a database query builder interface. At the top, there are two tabs: "Worksheet" and "Query Builder". The "Query Builder" tab is active, displaying an SQL statement in a text area. The statement is:

```
1 UPDATE customer
2 SET region = '&region'
3 WHERE customer_state = '&state';
```

Below the text area, there is a toolbar with icons for saving, printing, and other functions. To the right of the toolbar, it says "Task completed in 0.045 seconds". Below the toolbar, there is a section labeled "Script Output" and "Query Result". The "Script Output" section shows the following text:

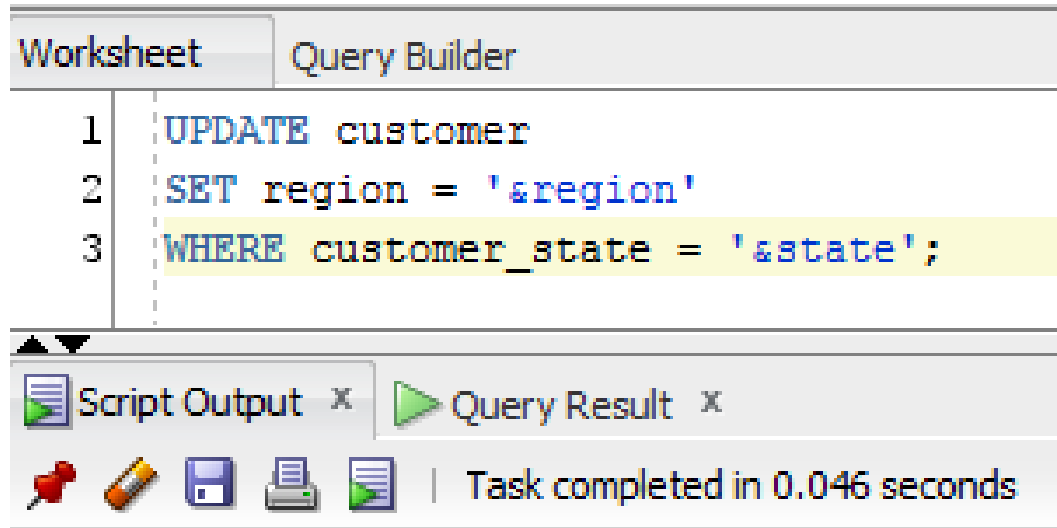
```
old:UPDATE customer
SET region = '&region'
WHERE customer_state = '&state'
new:UPDATE customer
SET region = 'NE'
WHERE customer_state = 'RI'
1 rows updated.
```

You are then presented with details of the substitution that will be used in your UPDATE command

You only need to execute the command again and enter new values

This could be saved as a script then reloaded to use it over

Substitution Variables



The screenshot shows a database query editor with two tabs: 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. The 'Worksheet' tab is active, displaying a SQL command across three lines. Line 1: `UPDATE customer`; Line 2: `SET region = '®ion'`; Line 3: `WHERE customer_state = '&state';`. The third line is highlighted in yellow. Below the editor, there is a toolbar with icons for a script, a pencil, a save icon, a printer, and a play button. To the right of the play button is a 'Query Result' tab. Below the toolbar, a status bar indicates 'Task completed in 0.046 seconds'.

```
1 UPDATE customer
2 SET region = '&region'
3 WHERE customer_state = '&state';
```

The command was executed a second time, this time the SE region was entered and GA for the state of Georgia

```
old:UPDATE customer
SET region = '&region'
WHERE customer_state = '&state'
new:UPDATE customer
SET region = 'SE'
WHERE customer_state = 'GA'
1 rows updated.
```

Substitution Variables

- If you did not want to or have the time to update all regions at the same time, you could create a script file of the command as we discussed earlier
- Once created, the script can be loaded and executed whenever you need it

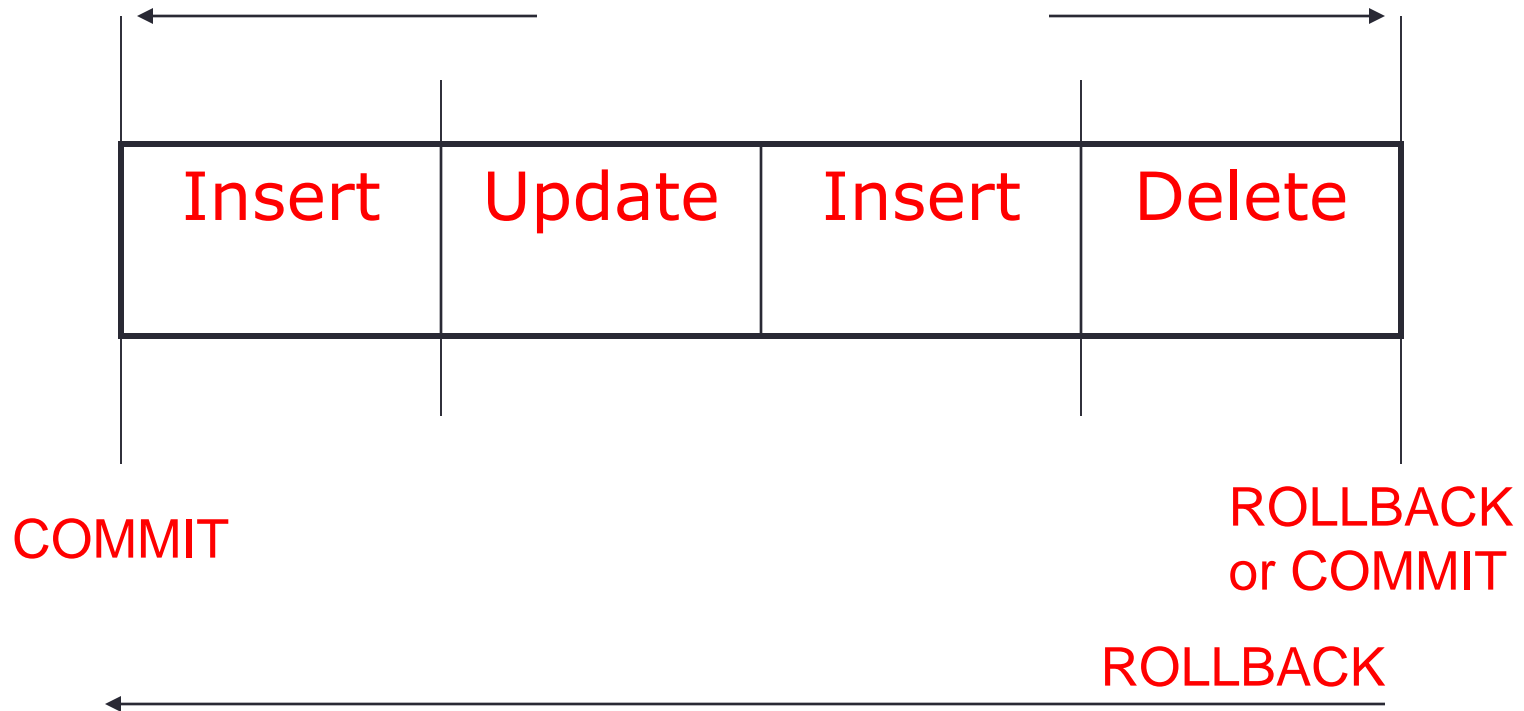
Transaction Control Statements

- In Chapters 3 and 4, we issued **DDL** commands to create, alter and drop database objects
- In this chapter, so far we have performed operations with the **INSERT INTO** and **UPDATE** commands
- These commands are called **DML** (*Data Manipulation Language*) commands
- Changes made to data by **DML** commands are *not permanently saved to the table when the SQL statement is executed*
- This allows the user the flexibility of issuing a **transaction control** statement either to save the modified data or to undo the changes made

Creating Transactions and Committing New Data

- Transaction
 - **Logical unit of work** consisting of one or more **SQL DML** commands
 - INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE
 - All transaction commands must succeed or none can succeed
- Transaction results are not visible to other users until they are “**committed**” to the database
- Until a transaction is committed, it can easily be “**rolled back**” (undone)

Controlling Transactions



A transaction consists of any number of DML commands. A transaction must either be committed or rolled back. COMMIT saves transactions, ROLLBACK reverses the DML commands

Transaction

- A transaction starts when you type one or more **DML** commands
- A transaction ends when you issue either the **COMMIT** or **ROLLBACK** command
- Either all commands in the transaction **COMMIT** or they all **ROLLBACK** when either of the following commands are used

COMMIT;

ROLLBACK;

Transactions

- When a transaction is started, each subsequent DML command is executed and the database is updated
- Information is also recorded to allow the database to return to its state as of the last time it was committed
- If a **COMMIT** is issued, all DML statements issued in the transaction will be **saved** and the changes become permanent
- If a **ROLLBACK** is issued, all DML statements issued in the transaction will be undone, the changes **discarded**, and the data is returned to its last committed state

COMMIT and ROLLBACK Commands

Worksheet Query Builder

```
1 UPDATE customer
2 SET region = 'NW'
3 WHERE customer_state = 'OR';
4
5 SELECT *
6 FROM customer
7 WHERE customer_state = 'OR';
8
9 ROLLBACK;
10
11 SELECT *
12 FROM customer
13 WHERE customer_state = 'OR';
```

Script Output x Query Result x

Task completed in 0.204 seconds

3 rows updated.

CUSTOMER_ID	CUSTOMER_LAST_NAME	CUSTOMER_FIRST_NAME	CUSTOMER_ADDRESS	CUSTOMER_CITY	CUSTOMER_STATE	CUSTOMER_ZIP	CUSTOMER_PHONE	REGION
11	Snyder	Howard	2732 Baker Blvd.	Eugene	OR	97403	(503) 555-7555	NW
12	Latimer	Yoshi	City Center Plaza 516 Main St.	Elgin	OR	97827	(503) 555-6874	NW
15	Wilson	Fran	89 Chiaroscuro Rd.	Portland	OR	97219	(503) 555-9573	NW

rollback complete.

CUSTOMER_ID	CUSTOMER_LAST_NAME	CUSTOMER_FIRST_NAME	CUSTOMER_ADDRESS	CUSTOMER_CITY	CUSTOMER_STATE	CUSTOMER_ZIP	CUSTOMER_PHONE	REGION
11	Snyder	Howard	2732 Baker Blvd.	Eugene	OR	97403	(503) 555-7555	NW
12	Latimer	Yoshi	City Center Plaza 516 Main St.	Elgin	OR	97827	(503) 555-6874	NW
15	Wilson	Fran	89 Chiaroscuro Rd.	Portland	OR	97219	(503) 555-9573	NW

An UPDATE was done to the CUSTOMER table, then the changes were undone with the ROLLBACK command

COMMIT and ROLLBACK Commands

Worksheet Query Builder

```
1 UPDATE customer
2 SET region = 'NW'
3 WHERE customer_state = 'WA';
4
5 SELECT *
6 FROM customer
7 WHERE customer_state = 'WA';
8
9 COMMIT;
10
11 SELECT *
12 FROM customer
13 WHERE customer_state = 'WA';
```

Script Output x Query Result x

Task completed in 0.182 seconds

4 rows updated.

CUSTOMER_ID	CUSTOMER_LAST_NAME	CUSTOMER_FIRST_NAME	CUSTOMER_ADDRESS	CUSTOMER_CITY	CUSTOMER_STATE	CUSTOMER_ZIP	CUSTOMER_PHONE	REGION
3	Moreno	Antonio	6925 N Parkland Ave	Puyallup	WA	98373	(253) 555-8332	NW
10	Lincoln	Elizabeth	4562 Rt 78 E	Vancouver	WA	98684	(360) 555-2680	NW
13	Steel	John	12 Orchestra Terrace	Walla Walla	WA	99362	(509) 555-7969	NW
23	Jablonski	Karl	305 - 14th Ave. S. Suite 3B	Seattle	WA	98128	(206) 555-4112	NW

committed.

CUSTOMER_ID	CUSTOMER_LAST_NAME	CUSTOMER_FIRST_NAME	CUSTOMER_ADDRESS	CUSTOMER_CITY	CUSTOMER_STATE	CUSTOMER_ZIP	CUSTOMER_PHONE	REGION
3	Moreno	Antonio	6925 N Parkland Ave	Puyallup	WA	98373	(253) 555-8332	NW
10	Lincoln	Elizabeth	4562 Rt 78 E	Vancouver	WA	98684	(360) 555-2680	NW
13	Steel	John	12 Orchestra Terrace	Walla Walla	WA	99362	(509) 555-7969	NW
23	Jablonski	Karl	305 - 14th Ave. S. Suite 3B	Seattle	WA	98128	(206) 555-4112	NW

An UPDATE was done to the CUSTOMER table, then the changes were made permanent with the COMMIT command

Transaction Processing

- Transaction processing enables every user to see a consistent view of the database
- To achieve this, a user cannot view or update data values that are involved in another user's uncommitted transactions because the pending transactions might be rolled back

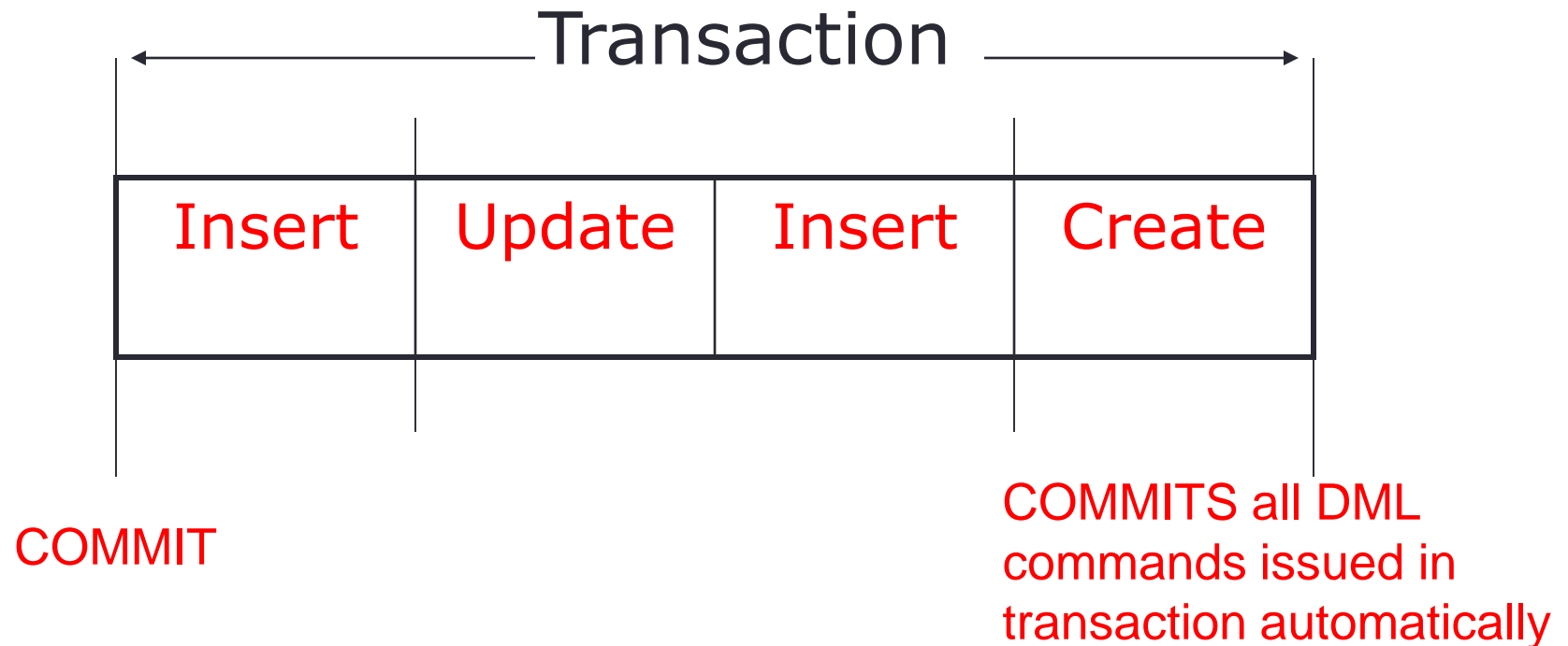
Transaction Processing

- Transaction processing is implemented by locking data records that are involved in uncommitted update or delete operations. This prohibits other users from viewing or modifying them
- When the transaction is committed or rolled back, the locks on the data record are released and the changed data values are available to other users

Implicit Transaction Processing

- An automatic commit occurs under the following circumstances:
 - DDL statement is issued
 - DCL statement is issued (Data Control Language - these are related to user permissions)
 - Normal exit from SQL DEVELOPER, you will be prompted to COMMIT or ROLLBACK any changes, without explicitly issuing COMMIT or ROLLBACK
- An automatic rollback occurs under the following circumstances:
 - An abnormal termination of SQL Developer
 - A system failure

Implicit Transaction Processing

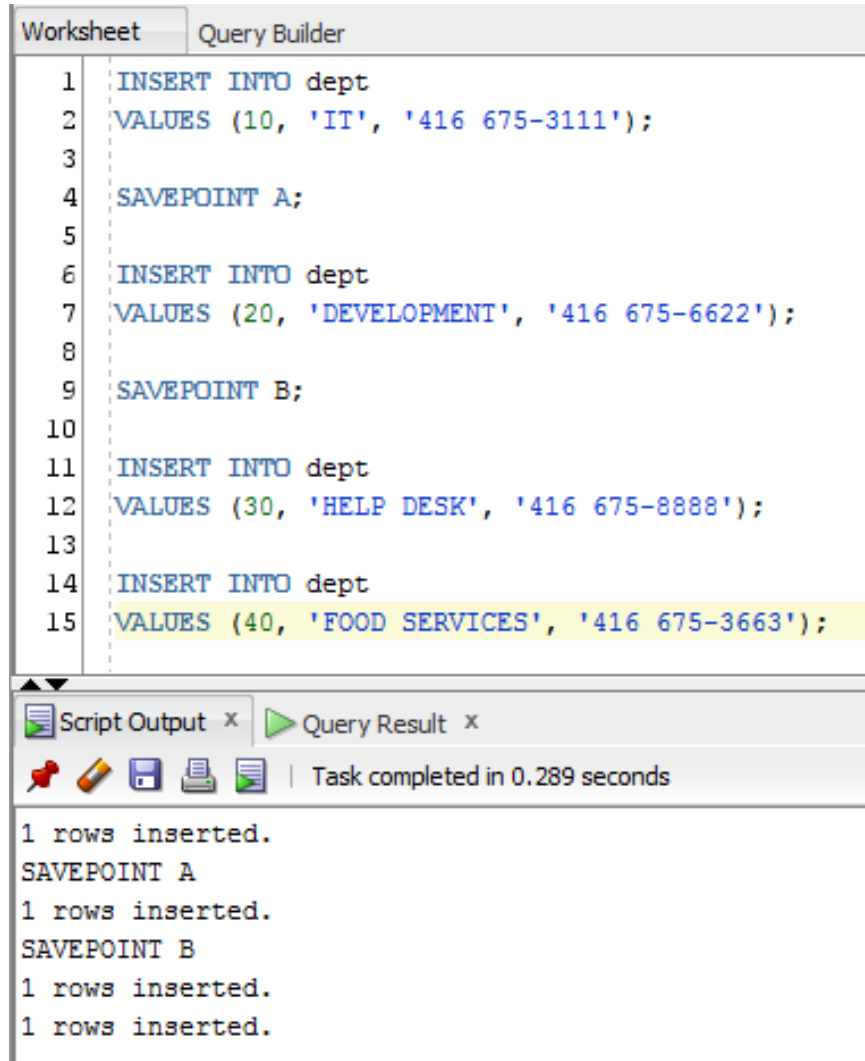


SAVEPOINT Command

- You can use rollbacks with savepoints that mark the beginning of individual sections of a transaction
- By using savepoints, you can roll back part of a transaction

SAVEPOINT Command

Two SAVEPOINTS were created, they were created within the transaction set of records



The screenshot shows a database query editor with a 'Worksheet' tab and a 'Query Builder' tab. The SQL script in the editor consists of five lines of code: an INSERT statement for 'IT', a SAVEPOINT A, an INSERT statement for 'DEVELOPMENT', a SAVEPOINT B, and an INSERT statement for 'FOOD SERVICES'. The last line is highlighted in yellow. Below the editor, the 'Script Output' and 'Query Result' tabs are visible. The 'Script Output' tab shows the execution results: '1 rows inserted.' for each of the four INSERT statements, and 'SAVEPOINT A' and 'SAVEPOINT B' for the savepoint commands. The 'Query Result' tab is empty. A status bar at the bottom indicates 'Task completed in 0.289 seconds'.

```
1 INSERT INTO dept
2 VALUES (10, 'IT', '416 675-3111');
3
4 SAVEPOINT A;
5
6 INSERT INTO dept
7 VALUES (20, 'DEVELOPMENT', '416 675-6622');
8
9 SAVEPOINT B;
10
11 INSERT INTO dept
12 VALUES (30, 'HELP DESK', '416 675-8888');
13
14 INSERT INTO dept
15 VALUES (40, 'FOOD SERVICES', '416 675-3663');
```

Script Output x Query Result x

Task completed in 0.289 seconds

1 rows inserted.
SAVEPOINT A
1 rows inserted.
SAVEPOINT B
1 rows inserted.
1 rows inserted.

SAVEPOINT Command

Worksheet		Query Builder
1	SELECT *	
2	FROM dept;	
3		
4	ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT B;	
5		
6	SELECT *	
7	FROM dept;	
8		
9	ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT A;	
10		
11	SELECT *	
12	FROM dept;	
13		
14	ROLLBACK;	
15		
16	SELECT *	
17	FROM dept;	

Script Output x		Query Result x
Task completed in 0.309 seconds		
DEPT_ID D_NAME	FAX	
10 IT	416 675-3111	
20 DEVELOPMENT	416 675-6622	
30 HELP DESK	416 675-8888	
40 FOOD SERVICES	416 675-3663	
rollback complete.		
DEPT_ID D_NAME	FAX	
10 IT	416 675-3111	
20 DEVELOPMENT	416 675-6622	
rollback complete.		
DEPT_ID D_NAME	FAX	
10 IT	416 675-3111	
rollback complete.		
no rows selected		

All the rows are displayed, there are 4 of them

ROLLBACK to SAVEPOINT B

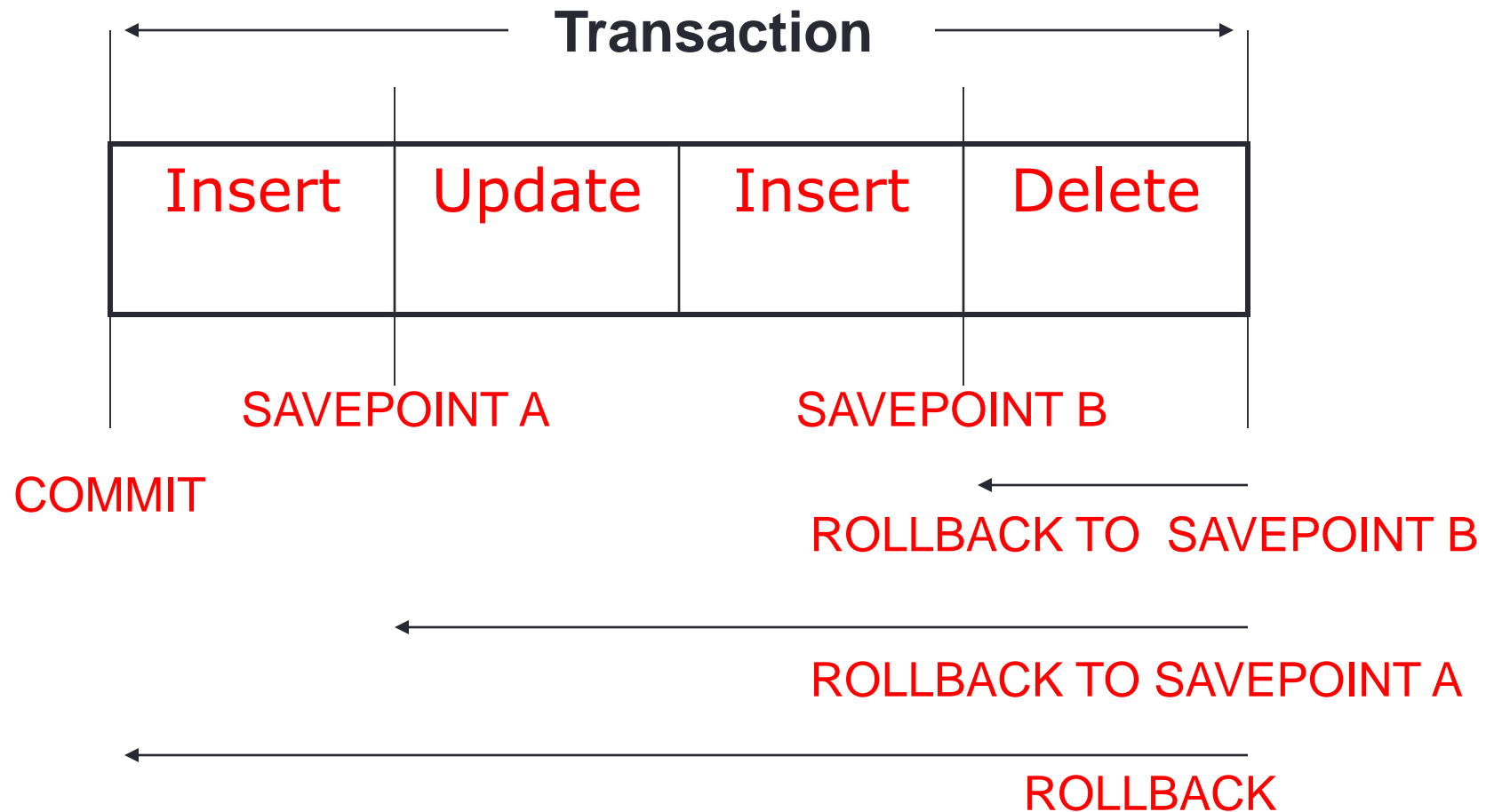
Rows are displayed again, now there are 2 of them

ROLLBACK to SAVEPOINT A

Display the rows, now there is only one row

ROLLBACK now; no rows displayed

Controlling Transactions



Deleting Rows

- There are times when rows need to be removed from the database tables
- This command is one of the easiest to use
- In fact, it may be a little too easy!

Deleting Rows

```
DELETE FROM tablename  
[WHERE condition];
```

Deleting Rows

- The user does not have an opportunity to specify any columns in the DELETE command
- DELETE is used to remove an entire row
- The WHERE clause is optional as well and is used to identify the row or rows in the table
- If the WHERE clause is omitted, you will remove all the rows in the table

Deleting Rows

0.21799999 seconds

Worksheet Query Builder

```

1 DELETE FROM acctmanager
2 WHERE amid = 'D500';
3
4 SELECT *
5 FROM acctmanager;
6
7 ROLLBACK;
8
9 SELECT *
10 FROM acctmanager;

```

Script Output x Query Result x

Task completed in 0.218 seconds

1 rows deleted.

AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION	AMEARN
T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	W	45500
L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500		48500
J500	SAMMIE	JONES	01-AUG-09	39500	2000	W	41500
M500	PEG	O'HARA	22-FEB-15	46000	2000	SW	48000

rollback complete.

AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION	AMEARN
T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	W	45500
L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500		48500
J500	SAMMIE	JONES	01-AUG-09	39500	2000	W	41500
D500	SCOTT	DAVIS	22-FEB-15	53000	6000	W	59000
M500	PEG	O'HARA	22-FEB-15	46000	2000	SW	48000

The row for AMID of D500 was removed or deleted

The ROLLBACK was used to undo the deletion so the row is still in the table

This was verified by using the SELECT

Deleting Rows

The screenshot shows a database query tool interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. Below the tabs, a SQL script is displayed in a text area with line numbers 1 through 9. The script contains the following SQL statements:

```
1 DELETE FROM acctmanager;
2
3 SELECT *
4 FROM acctmanager;
5
6 ROLLBACK;
7
8 SELECT *
9 FROM acctmanager;
```

The 9th line of the script is highlighted in yellow. Below the script area, there is a 'Script Output' tab and a 'Query Result' tab. The 'Script Output' tab is active, showing the following text:

```
5 rows deleted.
no rows selected

rollback complete.
```

Below the output, a table of data is displayed. The table has the following columns: AMID, AMFIRST, AMLAST, AMEDATE, AMSAL, AMCOMM, REGION, and AMEARN. The data is as follows:

AMID	AMFIRST	AMLAST	AMEDATE	AMSAL	AMCOMM	REGION	AMEARN
T500	NICK	TAYLOR	05-SEP-09	42000	3500	W	45500
L500	MANDY	LOPEZ	01-OCT-09	47000	1500		48500
J500	SAMMIE	JONES	01-AUG-09	39500	2000	W	41500
D500	SCOTT	DAVIS	22-FEB-15	53000	6000	W	59000
M500	PEG	O'HARA	22-FEB-15	46000	2000	SW	48000

The WHERE clause is optional

If a WHERE clause is not used the entire set of data is removed from the table

A ROLLBACK will recover the lost data

Just make sure you do not issue a COMMIT prior to attempting the ROLLBACK, it will not work after the COMMIT

Quote to Remember

- *“Databases are unavoidable”*
 - David Gallardo
 - JAVAPro Magazine September 2003, Vol. 7 No. 9