

## Answer the following questions.

### 1. What is the difference between View and Table .

Feature	View	Table
<b>Definition</b>	A virtual table based on the result of a query.	A physical storage of data in rows and columns.
<b>Storage</b>	Does not store data physically.	Stores data physically in the database.
<b>Data Update</b>	Indirectly reflects changes in the underlying tables.	Directly stores and updates data.
<b>Usage</b>	Used to simplify complex queries and to provide security by restricting access to certain data.	Used to store raw data.
<b>Performance</b>	May be slower due to query execution on the fly.	Generally faster for direct data access.
<b>Modification</b>	Generally read-only, though some can be updatable.	Fully updatable with Insert, Update, and Delete operations.
<b>Dependence</b>	Dependent on the underlying tables.	Independent, stands alone as a data structure.
<b>Schema Binding</b>	Can be schema-bound to the underlying tables (optional).	Schema-bound, representing a fundamental data structure.
<b>Indexes</b>	Cannot have indexes directly, but underlying tables can be indexed.	Can have indexes to speed up query performance.

### 2. What is view? State the types of View.

A **View** in a database is a virtual table that is created by a query and presents data from one or more underlying tables. It doesn't store data physically; instead, it stores the query definition. When a view is queried, the underlying query is executed to retrieve the data.

#### Types of Views

##### 1. Simple View

- **Definition:** A view that is based on a single table without any functions, aggregations, or groupings.
- **Characteristics:**
  - Directly corresponds to a single table.
  - Can be updatable if it follows certain conditions.
  - Often used to simplify data retrieval from a single table.

##### 2. Complex View

- **Definition:** A view that is based on multiple tables, often involving joins, aggregations, and functions.
- **Characteristics:**
  - May not always be updatable.
  - Can include various SQL clauses like JOIN, GROUP BY, HAVING, etc.

- Useful for summarizing data from multiple sources.

### 3. Materialized View

- **Definition:** A view that stores the result set of the query physically. It is periodically refreshed to update the data.
- **Characteristics:**
  - Improves performance by avoiding re-execution of complex queries.
  - Requires storage space since it physically holds data.
  - Used for performance optimization in scenarios where data doesn't change frequently.

### 4. Indexed View

- **Definition:** A type of view that has an index created on it, which stores the data physically to improve performance.
- **Characteristics:**
  - Often used in SQL Server.
  - The underlying tables must meet certain criteria for the view to be indexed.
  - Provides performance benefits similar to materialized views.

### 5. Partitioned View

- **Definition:** A view that allows data to be divided across multiple tables in different databases, but accessed as a single view.
- **Characteristics:**
  - Can be local (within a single database) or distributed (across multiple databases).
  - Helps manage large datasets by partitioning them across different tables.
  - Used in scenarios where horizontal partitioning of data is beneficial.

## 3. What is the difference between Simple View and Complex View.

Feature	Simple View	Complex View
<b>Definition</b>	A view based on a single table without any complex SQL operations.	A view based on multiple tables, often involving joins, aggregations, or other complex SQL operations.
<b>Underlying Tables</b>	Based on a single table.	Can involve multiple tables.
<b>SQL Operations</b>	No complex operations like joins, aggregates, or groupings.	Includes complex operations such as joins, aggregates, subqueries, and groupings.
<b>Updatability</b>	Generally updatable if certain conditions are met (e.g., no GROUP BY, DISTINCT).	May not be updatable due to the complexity of the query.
<b>Performance</b>	Typically faster since it involves simpler queries.	May be slower due to the complexity of the underlying query.
<b>Use Case</b>	Used for simplifying access to a single table or for renaming columns.	Used for combining data from multiple tables or summarizing data.

<b>Example</b>	CREATE VIEW SimpleView AS SELECT column1, column2 FROM TableName;	CREATE VIEW ComplexView AS SELECT t1.column1, t2.column2 FROM Table1 t1 JOIN Table2 t2 ON t1.id = t2.id;
<b>Data Aggregation</b>	Typically does not involve data aggregation.	Often involves data aggregation using functions like SUM, COUNT, AVG, etc.
<b>Data Redundancy</b>	Minimal to none, as it deals with a single table.	Possible data redundancy due to joins and multiple tables.