

Experiment No 8

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Requirements: Design a robust PostgreSQL transaction system for the students table where multiple student records are inserted in a single transaction.

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SQL Queries

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1 | -----Experiment 08-----
2 | -----Hard Level Problem-----
3 | /*
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8 | previous successful inserts using savepoints.
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11 | and controlled error handling.
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13 | HINT: YOU HAVE TO USE SAVEPOINTS
14 | */
15 |
16 | -- Create the student table first
17 | CREATE TABLE student (
18 |     name VARCHAR(100),
19 |     id INT PRIMARY KEY,
20 |     dept VARCHAR(50)
21 | );
22 |
23 |
24 | SELECT * FROM student;
25 |
26 | SELECT * FROM INFORMATION_SCHEMA.TABLES WHERE table_name = 'student';
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28 |
29 | SELECT
30 |     trigger_name,
31 |     event_manipulation AS event,
32 |     action_timing AS timing,
33 |     action_statement AS trigger_function
34 | FROM information_schema.triggers
35 | WHERE event_object_table = 'student';
36 |
37 | SELECT * FROM INFORMATION_SCHEMA.TRIGGERS WHERE event_object_table = 'student';
38 |
39 | DROP TRIGGER IF EXISTS trg_student ON student;
40 |
41 |
42 | SELECT * FROM student;
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```
44 BEGIN TRANSACTION;
45 DO $$
46 BEGIN
47     INSERT INTO student VALUES
48         ('Ishaan', 201, 'AI'),
49         ('Tanya', 305, 'ML'),
50         ('Karan', 118, 'CSE');
51
52     RAISE NOTICE 'Insertion successful';
53
54 EXCEPTION
55 WHEN OTHERS THEN
56     RAISE NOTICE 'Unhandled Exception : SQLSTATE % --- %', SQLSTATE, SQLERRM;
57     RAISE;
58 END;
59 $$;
60
61 SELECT * FROM student;
62
63 COMMIT;
64
65
66
67
68 BEGIN TRANSACTION;
69 DO $$
70 BEGIN
71     INSERT INTO student VALUES
72         ('Ritika', 405, 'DS'),
73         ('Aman', 305, 'AI'),      -- Wrong insertion (duplicate ID or invalid)
74         ('Neel', 230, 'CSE');
75
76     RAISE NOTICE 'Insertion successful';
77
78 EXCEPTION
79 WHEN OTHERS THEN
80     RAISE NOTICE 'Unhandled Exception : SQLSTATE % --- %', SQLSTATE, SQLERRM;
81     RAISE;
82 END;
83 $$;
84
85 ROLLBACK;
86
87 SELECT * FROM student;
88
89 COMMIT;
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90
91 BEGIN TRANSACTION;
92
93 DO $$
94 DECLARE
95     rec RECORD;
96 BEGIN
97     FOR rec IN
98     SELECT * FROM (VALUES
99         ('Ritika', 405, 'DS'),
100        ('Aman', 305, 'AI'),    -- Duplicate row, will fail
101        ('Neel', 230, 'CSE')
102     ) AS t(name, id, dept)
103     LOOP
104     BEGIN
105         SAVEPOINT before_insert;
106         INSERT INTO student VALUES (rec.name, rec.id, rec.dept);
107         RAISE NOTICE 'Inserted: % (%, %)', rec.name, rec.id, rec.dept;
108     EXCEPTION
109         WHEN OTHERS THEN
110             ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT before_insert;
111             RAISE NOTICE 'Error inserting % (%): SQLSTATE % --- %',
112                 rec.name, rec.id, SQLSTATE, SQLERRM;
113     END;
114     END LOOP;
115
116     RAISE NOTICE 'All records processed.';
117 END;
118 $$;
119
120 COMMIT;
121
122 SELECT * FROM student;
123

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Output:

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CREATE TABLE
 name | id | dept
-----+---+----
(0 rows)

table_catalog | table_schema | table_name | table_type | self_referencing_column_name | reference_generation | user_defined_type_catalog | user_defined_type_schema | user_defined_type_name | is_insertable_into | is_typed | commit_action
-----+---+----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----
sandbox_db | public | student | BASE TABLE | | | | | | | YES | NO |
(1 row)

trigger_name | event | timing | trigger_function
-----+---+----+-----
(0 rows)

trigger_catalog | trigger_schema | trigger_name | event_manipulation | event_object_catalog | event_object_schema | event_object_table | action_order | action_condition | action_statement | action_orientation | action_timing | action_reference_old_table |
-----+---+----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----
(0 rows)

DROP TRIGGER
 name | id | dept
-----+---+----
(0 rows)

BEGIN
DO
 name | id | dept
-----+---+----
Ishaan | 201 | AI
Tanya | 305 | ML
Karan | 118 | CSE
(3 rows)

COMMIT
BEGIN

psql:commands.sql:46: NOTICE: trigger "trg_student" for relation "student" does not exist, skipping
psql:commands.sql:67: NOTICE: Insertion successful
psql:commands.sql:90: NOTICE: Unhandled Exception : SQLSTATE 23505 --- duplicate key value violates unique constraint "student_pkey"
psql:commands.sql:90: ERROR: duplicate key value violates unique constraint "student_pkey"
DETAIL: Key (id)=(305) already exists.
CONTEXT: SQL statement "INSERT INTO student VALUES
('Ritika', 405, 'DS'),
('Aman', 305, 'AI'),    -- Wrong insertion (duplicate ID or invalid)
('Neel', 230, 'CSE')"
PL/pgSQL function inline_code_block line 3 at SQL statement

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Learning Outcome:

- Learned how to **create and manage triggers** in PostgreSQL to automate database operations.
- Understood how to use **RAISE NOTICE** for displaying trigger-based actions and debugging.
- Gained practical knowledge of handling **constraint violations** such as duplicate primary keys.
- Learned how to **verify and drop existing triggers** before creating new ones to avoid conflicts.
- Understood how triggers help in **maintaining data consistency and enforcing business rules** automatically.