# Introduction to Oracle SQL – Working with Joins Part 2

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## Working with Joins – Part 2

#### Goals:

- Data from multiple tables using Joins
  - Oracle 9i new join syntax
  - Join View
- Data dictionary views

# Self Equi-Joins

SQL> SELECT \* FROM emp;

EMPNO	ENAME	DEPTNO	HIREDATE	JOB	COMM	MGR
7566	FORD	30	10-MAR-01	CLERK		7567
7567	SMITH	30	1-JAN-01	MANAGER	100	
7568	MARTIN	30	1-MAR-01	ANALYST		7567

## Self Equi-Joins

- Used when one row of a table is related to another row of the same table, using equality.
  - For example, in the EMP table, if you have a column MANAGER and if you wish to find the name of the employee and his/her manager, you will need to query twice from the same table like this:

```
SQL>SELECT worker.ename, mgr.mgr
    FROM emp worker, emp mgr
    WHERE worker.mgr = mgr.empno;
ENAME MGR
-----
FORD 7567
MARTIN 7567
```

## Self Outer Equi-Joins

• In the above example, if there are employees without any manager id, they would not be retrieved in the previous query. For that, self equi-outer join is required.

```
SQL>SELECT worker.ename, mgr.mgr
FROM emp worker, emp mgr
WHERE worker.mgr = mgr.empno(+);
ENAME MGR
-----
FORD 7567
MARTIN 7567
KING
```

## Self Non-Equi-Joins

• Used when one row of a table is related to another row of the same table, by an operation other than equality.

```
SQL>SELECT d1.name team1, d2.name team2
   FROM dept d1, dept d2
   WHERE d1.deptno != d2.deptno;
```

TEAM1 TEAM2

ACCOUNTING SALES
ACCOUNTING TRAINING
ACCOUNTING MARKETING

SALES ACCOUNTING.....and so on

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## Joining more than two tables

```
SQL> SELECT e.ename, d.deptno, e.sal,
    s.grade
    FROM emp e, dept d, salgrade s
    WHERE e.sal BETWEEN s.losal AND
    s.highsal
    AND e.deptno(+) = d.deptno
    AND E.NAME = 'MARTIN';
```

#### ANSI Join Syntax in Oracle 9i

- Oracle 9i introduced new join syntax, which is compliant to ANSI SQL standards – uses the keyword JOIN with the join type
- Prior to Oracle 9i, Oracle supported the join syntax defined in SQL/96 standard
- The old join syntax and the proprietary outer join operator are still supported in Oracle 9i



SQL> SELECT d.name, e.ename, e.empno
FROM emp e INNER JOIN dept d
ON d.deptno = e.deptno;

- Instead of commas separating the table names, there are keywords INNER JOIN
- WHERE in the old syntax is replaced by ON

## ANSI Inner Join Syntax in 9i

 If equi-joins are used and the column names are identical in both the tables, you can use USING clause in the query

```
SQL> SELECT d.name, e.ename, e.empno
FROM emp e INNER JOIN dept d
USING (deptno);
```

#### ANSI Inner Join Syntax in 9i

- Let's say "deptno" is in the SELECT list and the join condition, then you cannot use the column alias or qualify the column name with a table
- These two queries will generate an error message.

```
SQL> SELECT deptno department
FROM emp e INNER JOIN dept d
USING (department);

SQL> SELECT e.deptno
FROM emp e INNER JOIN dept d
USING (e.deptno);
```

## ANSI Inner Join Syntax in 9i

• If there are multiple columns in the join condition, they should be separated by AND

```
SQL> SELECT .....

FROM A INNER JOIN B

ON A.c1 = B.c1 AND A.c2 = B.c2;
```

Can also use USING clause

```
SQL> SELECT ....
FROM A INNER JOIN B
USING (c1, c2);
```

## ANSI Outer Join Syntax in 9i

- ANSI Outer Join Syntax:
  - FROM table1 {LEFT | RIGHT | FULL} [OUTER]
    JOIN table2
- table1, table2 tables on which outer join is performed

#### ANSI Outer Joins in 9i

- LEFT: Specifies that results be generated, using all rows from table1. NULL is generated for those rows in table1, that don't have corresponding rows in table2.
- RIGHT: Specifies that results be generated, using all rows from table2. NULL is generated for those rows in table2, that don't have corresponding rows in table1.

## ANSI Outer Joins in 9i

- FULL: Specifies that results be generated, using all rows from table 1 and table 2.
- OUTER: Specifies that results be generated, using all rows from table2. NULL is generated for those rows in table2, that don't have corresponding rows in table1.

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#### Advantages of new join syntax

- The new join syntax in Oracle follows the ANSI standard, hence, it makes code more portable
- The new ON and USING clauses help in separating the join conditions from other filter conditions in the WHERE clause
- The new syntax makes it possible to perform a full outer join, without having to perform a UNION of two select statements

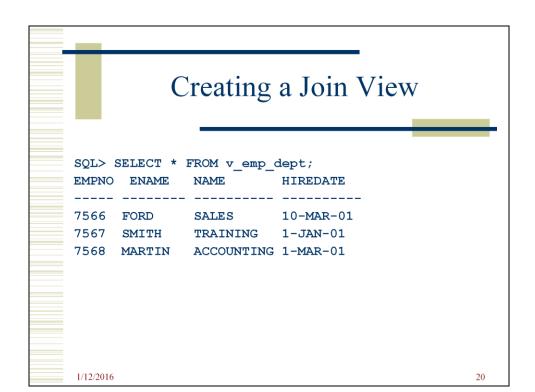
#### Join View

- View (shows some fields of the table) based on a join.
- Can use DML Statements (INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE) on a join view
- To modify a join view, it must not contain:
  - DISTINCT keyword
  - · GROUP BY or HAVING clause
  - Aggregate functions
  - Set operations like UNION, UNION ALL, INTERSECT
  - · Clauses such as START WITH or CONNECT BY
  - ROWNUM

## Creating a Join View

```
SQL> CREATE VIEW v_emp_dept AS
    SELECT e.empno, e.ename, d.name,
    e.hiredate
    FROM emp e, dept d
WHERE e.deptno = d.deptno;
```

• In this query, every row has a unique empno. Therefore, emp table is a key preserved table in this view because its keys are preserved through the join.



#### Key Preserved Table

- Key preservation is a property of the table inside the join view. A table may be preserved in one join view and not preserved in other join view.
- Not necessary for the key column of the table to be in the SELECT list in the join view for the table to be key preserved.

#### **INSERT Statement - Join View**

 Can insert values into the key preserved table of the join view

```
SQL> INSERT into v_emp_dept (empno, ename,
hiredate) VALUES (7598, 'SMITH', '02-JAN-02');
```

 Not allowed to insert values into non-key preserved table of join view

```
SQL> INSERT into v_emp_dept (empno, ename, hiredate, name) VALUES (7598, 'SMITH', '02-JAN-02', 20); -- error
```

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#### **INSERT Statement - Join View**

 Cannot insert values into the join view, if the join view is created using "WITH CHECK OPTION"

```
SQL> CREATE VIEW v_emp_dept AS
    SELECT e.empno, e.ename, d.name,
    e.hiredate FROM emp e, dept d
    WHERE e.deptno = d.deptno
    WITH CHECK OPTION;
```

#### **DELETE Stmt. - Join View**

•Can be performed, if join view has one and only one key preserved table

```
SQL> DELETE FROM v_emp_dept
WHERE empno = 7567;
```

```
      SQL> SELECT * FROM v_emp_dept;

      EMPNO ENAME
      NAME
      HIREDATE

      -----
      ------
      -------

      7566
      FORD
      SALES
      10-MAR-01

      7568
      MARTIN
      ACCOUNTING
      1-MAR-01
```

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#### **UPDATE Stmt. - Join View**

- Can be performed, if it updates a column in the key preserved table.
- Cannot update, if the join view is created, using "WITH CHECK OPTION"

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## Data Dictionary Views

- Oracle provides Data dictionary view USER\_UPDATABLE\_COLUMNS, which shows all modifiable columns in all tables and views in a user's schema
  - ALL\_UPDATABLE\_COLUMNS shows all views, you can access
  - DBA\_UPDATABLE\_COLUMNS shows all views, in the database, accessible by DBA

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## Data Dictionary Views

#### DESC USER\_UPDATABLE\_COLUMNS

Name	Null?	Туре
OWNER	NOT NULL	VARCHAR2 (30)
TABLE_NAME	NOT_NULL	VARCHAR2 (30)
COLUMN_NAME	NOT_NULL	VARCHAR2 (30)
UPDATABLE		VARCHAR2 (30)
INSERTABLE		VARCHAR2 (30)
DELETABLE		VARCHAR2 (30)