

Worksheet 3

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1. 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.

2. Tools Used

- PostgreSQL

3. Objective of the Session

- 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

4. Practical / Experiment Steps

- Design the database schema for implementing conditional logic.
- Create tables using appropriate constraints.
- Insert sample records into tables.
- Perform data classification using CASE expressions.
- Perform conditional data updates using CASE logic.
- Implement IF–ELSE logic using PL/pgSQL blocks.
- Perform custom sorting using CASE expressions.

- Display and verify results.

5. Procedure of the Practical

- (i) Start the system and log in to the computer.
- (ii) Open PostgreSQL software.
- (iii) create database Experiment3;
- (iv) Create a table to store schema-level violations.

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

(v) Insert records using DML commands.

```
INSERT INTO schema_violations VALUES  
(1, 'Finance', 0),  
(2, 'HR', 2),  
(3, 'Sales', 6),  
(4, 'Audit', 12);
```

	schema_id [PK] integer	schema_name character varying (50)	violation_count integer
1	1	Finance	0
2	2	HR	2
3	3	Sales	6
4	4	Audit	12

(vi) 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;

	schema_name character varying (50) 	violation_count integer 	violation_status text 
1	Finance	0	No Violation
2	HR	2	Minor Violation
3	Sales	6	Moderate Violati...
4	Audit	12	Critical Violation

(vii) 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 <= 5 THEN 'Needs Review'

ELSE 'Rejected'

END;

	schema_id [PK] integer	schema_name character varying (50)	violation_count integer	approval_status character varying (20)
1	1	Finance	0	Approved
2	2	HR	2	Review
3	3	Sales	6	Rejected
4	4	Audit	12	Rejected

(viii) Implementing IF–ELSE Logic Using PL/pgSQL.

DO \$\$

DECLARE

v_count INT := 6;

BEGIN

IF v_count = 0 THEN

RAISE NOTICE 'No violations detected.';

ELSIF v_count <= 5 THEN

RAISE NOTICE 'Minor issues found. Review required.';

ELSE

RAISE NOTICE 'Critical violations detected!';

END IF;

END \$\$;

```
NOTICE: Critical violations detected!
DO

Query returned successfully in 104 msec.
```

(ix) Real-World Classification Scenario (Grading System).

```
CREATE TABLE students (  
    student_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    student_name VARCHAR(50),  
    marks INT  
);
```

```
INSERT INTO students VALUES
```

```
(1, 'Aman', 85),
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```
(2, 'Riya', 72),
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```
(3, 'Kunal', 58),
```

```
(4, 'Neha', 40);
```

	student_id [PK] integer	student_name character varying (50)	marks integer
1	1	Aman	85
2	2	Riya	72
3	3	Kunal	58
4	4	Neha	40

Grade Classification.

```
SELECT  
    student_name,  
    marks,  
    CASE  
        WHEN marks >= 80 THEN 'A'  
        WHEN marks >= 60 THEN 'B'  
        WHEN marks >= 50 THEN 'C'  
        ELSE 'Fail'
```

END AS grade

FROM students;

	student_name character varying (50) 🔒	marks integer 🔒	grade text 🔒
1	Aman	85	A
2	Riya	72	B
3	Kunal	58	C
4	Neha	40	Fail

(xi) Using CASE for Custom Sorting

SELECT schema_name, violation_count

FROM schema_violations

ORDER BY

CASE

WHEN violation_count = 0 THEN 1

WHEN violation_count <= 3 THEN 2

WHEN violation_count <= 7 THEN 3

ELSE 4

END;

	schema_name character varying (50) 🔒	violation_count integer 🔒
1	Finance	0
2	HR	2
3	Sales	6
4	Audit	12



Learning Outcomes

- How data can be filtered to retrieve only relevant records from a database.
- Learn how sorting improves readability and usefulness of query results in reports.
- Gain the ability to group data for analytical purposes.
- Differentiate between row-level conditions and group-level conditions.
- Develop confidence in writing analytical SQL queries used in real-world scenarios.
- Better prepared to answer SQL-based placement and interview questions related to filtering, grouping, and aggregation.