



Oracle PL/SQL

Basics of PL/SQL

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Creating a Database



CREATE TABLE Statement



The CREATE TABLE statement allows you to create and define a table.

Syntax:

```
CREATE TABLE table_name  
(  
    column1 datatype [ NULL | NOT NULL ],  
    column2 datatype [ NULL | NOT NULL ],  
    ...  
    column_n datatype [ NULL | NOT NULL ]  
);
```

Altering a Database

ALTER TABLE Statement



The ALTER TABLE statement is used to add, modify, or drop/delete columns in a table. The Oracle ALTER TABLE statement is also used to rename a table.

Add a Column in the Table

Syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
ADD column_name column_definition;
```

Modify the Column in the Table

Syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
MODIFY column_name column_type;;
```

Add Multiple Columns in the Table

Syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
ADD (column_1 column_definition,  
    column_2 column_definition,  
    ...  
    column_n column_definition);
```

Modify Multiple Columns in the Table

Syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
MODIFY (column_1 column_type,  
    column_2 column_type,  
    ...  
    column_n column_type);
```

Dropping a Column in the Table



The DROP COLUMN statement is used to drop a column in an existing table.

Drop a Column in the Table

Syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
DROP COLUMN column_name;
```

Renaming a Column/Table



The RENAME COLUMN statement is used to rename a column in an existing table.

Rename a Column in the Table

Syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
RENAME COLUMN old_name TO new_name;
```

The RENAME TABLE statement is used to rename a table.

Rename a Table

Syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
RENAME TO new_table_name;
```




Querying a Database



Querying a Database: INSERT



The INSERT statement is used to insert a single record or multiple records into a table in Oracle.

Syntax:

```
INSERT INTO table  
(column1, column2, ... column_n )  
VALUES  
(expression1, expression2, ... expression_n );
```

The syntax for the Oracle INSERT statement when inserting multiple records using a SELECT statement is:

Syntax:

```
INSERT INTO table  
(column1, column2, ... column_n )  
SELECT expression1, expression2, ... expression_n  
FROM source_table  
[WHERE conditions];
```

Querying a Database: SELECT



The SELECT statement is used to retrieve records from one or more tables in an Oracle Database.

Syntax:

```
SELECT expressions  
FROM tables  
[WHERE conditions];
```

- **expressions**

Columns or calculations that you wish to retrieve. Use * if you wish to select all columns.

- **tables**

Tables that you wish to retrieve the records from. There must be at least one table listed in the FROM clause.

- **WHERE conditions**

Conditions that must be met for the records to be selected. If no conditions are provided, then all records will be selected (Optional).

Querying a Database: UPDATE



The UPDATE statement is used to update existing records in a table in an Oracle Database.

Syntax:

```
UPDATE table
SET column1 = expression1,
    column2 = expression2,
    ...
    column_n = expression_n
[WHERE conditions];
```

Updating one table

Syntax:

```
UPDATE table1
SET column1 = (SELECT expression1
FROM table2
                WHERE conditions)
[WHERE conditions];
```

Updating one table with data from another table

GROUP BY Clause



It is used in a SELECT statement to collect data across multiple records and group the results by one or more columns.

Syntax:

```
SELECT expression1, expression2, ... expression_n,  
       aggregate_function (aggregate_expression)  
FROM tables  
  [WHERE conditions]  
GROUP BY expression1, expression2, ... expression_n;
```

ORDER BY Clause



It is used to sort records in your result set. The ORDER BY clause can only be used in SELECT statements.

Syntax:

```
SELECT expressions  
FROM tables  
[WHERE conditions]  
ORDER BY expression [ ASC | DESC ];
```

HAVING Clause



It is used in combination with the GROUP BY clause to restrict the groups of returned rows to only those whose condition is TRUE.

Syntax:

```
SELECT expression1, expression2, ... expression_n,  
       aggregate_function (aggregate_expression)  
FROM tables  
[WHERE conditions]  
GROUP BY expression1, expression2, ... expression_n  
HAVING having_condition;
```

BETWEEN Condition



It is used to retrieve values within a range in a SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, or DELETE statement.

Syntax:

```
expression BETWEEN value1 AND value2;
```

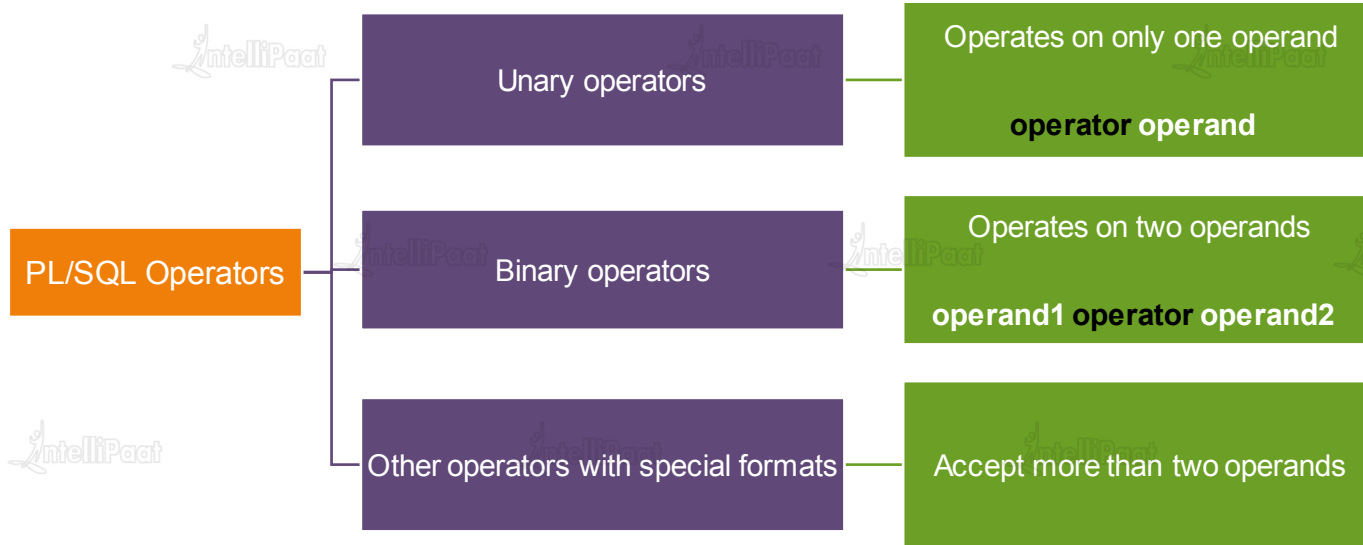

PL/SQL: Operators

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An operator is a symbol that manipulates individual data items called operands or arguments.

Operators are represented by special characters or by keywords.



Types of PL/SQL Operators



**Arithmetic
operators**

+, -, *, / , MOD

**Logical
operators**

AND, OR, NOT

**Relational
operators**

**>, <, >=, <=,
!=, <>, ^=, =**

**Concatenation
operators**

||

**Assignment
operators**

=

**Miscellaneous
operators**

**Between, not
between, like, not
like, in not in, is
null, not is null**

**Comparison
operators**

**Exists, not exists,
any, all, some**

**Set
operators**

**Union, all Union,
Intersect, minus**

Arithmetic Operators



Operator	Purpose	Example
+ or -	It denotes a positive or negative expression. These are unary operators.	SELECT * FROM employee WHERE -salary < 0;
* or /	It multiplies and divides. These are binary operators.	UPDATE employee SET salary = salary * 1.1;
+ -	It adds and subtracts. These are binary operators.	SELECT salary + commission FROM employee WHERE SYSDATE – hiredate > 365;

Note: Do not use two consecutive minus signs with no separation (--) in arithmetic expressions to indicate double negation or the subtraction of a negative value

Operator Precedence



- Operations with higher precedence are applied first.
- Operators with the same precedence are applied in their text order:
 - You can change the execution order using parentheses.
 - If the expression includes parentheses, the execution starts with the innermost pair.

Operator	Description
**	Exponentiation
+, -	Identity and negation (unary operation)
*, /	Multiplication and division
+, -, 	Addition, subtraction, and concatenation
=, <, >, <=, >=, <>, !=, ~= IS NULL, LIKE, BETWEEN, IN	Comparison
NOT	Logical negation
AND	Conjunction
OR	Inclusion

Logical Operators



A logical operator combines the results of two component conditions to produce a single result based on them or to invert the result of a single condition.

Operator	Function	Example
NOT	It returns TRUE if the following condition is FALSE, and vice versa. If it is UNKNOWN, it remains UNKNOWN.	<pre>SELECT * FROM emp WHERE NOT (job IS NULL); SELECT * FROM emp WHERE NOT (sal BETWEEN 1000 AND 2000);</pre>
AND	It returns TRUE if both component conditions are TRUE and returns FALSE if either is FALSE. Otherwise, it returns UNKNOWN.	<pre>SELECT * FROM emp WHERE job = 'CLERK' AND deptno = 10;</pre>
OR	It returns TRUE if either component condition is TRUE and returns FALSE if both are FALSE. Otherwise, it returns UNKNOWN.	<pre>SELECT * FROM emp WHERE job = 'CLERK' OR deptno = 10;</pre>

Comparison Operators with WHERE Clause



Operators that you can use in the WHERE clause to form more practical queries are:

- =, !=, or, <>, >, <= - Relational Operators

Operators that you can use in the WHERE clause to form more practical queries that are applied only on a single operand:

- BETWEEN, NOT BETWEEN
- IN, NOT IN
- Like, Not Like
- IS NULL, IS NOT NULL

Relational Operators



Operator	Description	Example
=	Checks if the values of two operands are equal or not. If yes, then the condition becomes true.	(A = B) is not true
!= <> ? =	Checks if the values of two operands are equal or not. If values are not equal, then the condition becomes true.	(A != B) is true
>	Checks if the value of the left operand is greater than the value of the right. If yes, then the condition becomes true.	(A > B) is not true
<	Checks if the value of the left operand is less than the value of the right. if yes, then the condition becomes true.	(A < B) is true
>=	Checks if the value of the left operand is greater than or equal to the value of the right. if yes, then the condition becomes true.	(A >= B) is not true
<=	Checks if the value of the left operand is less than or equal to the value of the right. If yes, then the condition becomes true.	(A <= B) is true

Defining a Null Value



- A Null is a value that is unavailable, unassigned, unknown, or inapplicable.
- A Null is not the same as zero or a blank space.

Find the name, job, salary, and commission of the employee

```
SELECT name, job, salary, comm From employees;
```

Null Values in Arithmetic Expressions

- Arithmetic expressions containing a null value evaluate to null

Find the total compensation given to each employee per annum

```
SELECT name, 12*(salary + commission) From employees;
```

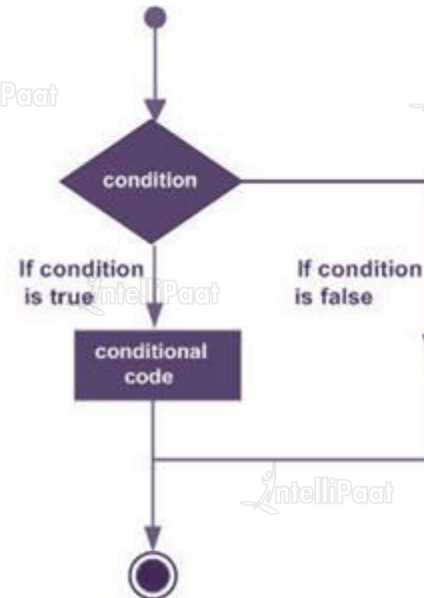
PL/SQL: Conditions

Conditional Logic



- IF, THEN, ELSE, ELSIF, and END IF keywords are used in PL/SQL for performing conditional logic.

```
IF condition1 THEN
    statements1
ELSIF condition2 THEN
    statements2
ELSE
    statements3
END IF;
```



Conditional Logic: IF



Statement	Syntax	Description	Example
IF-THEN Statement	<pre>IF condition THEN Statement END IF;</pre>	If the condition is true, then the statements get executed. And if the condition is false or NULL, then the IF statement does nothing.	<pre>IF (a <= 20) THEN c:= c+1; END IF;</pre>
IF-THEN-ELSE Statement	<pre>IF condition THEN Statement 1; ELSE Statement 2; END IF;</pre>	If the condition is false or NULL, then only the alternative sequence of statements get executed. It ensures that either of the sequence of statements is executed.	<pre>IF color = red THEN dbms_output.put_line('You have chosen a red car') ELSE dbms_output.put_line('Please choose a color for your car'); END IF;</pre>

Conditional Logic: IF



Statement	Syntax	Description	Example
IF-THEN-ELSIF Statement	<pre>IF(boolean_expression 1)THEN Statement 1; ELSIF(boolean_expression 2) THEN Statement 2; ELSIF(boolean_expression 3) THEN Statement 3; ELSE Statement 4; END IF;</pre>	<p>It allows you to choose between several alternatives.</p>	<pre>DECLARE a number(3) := 100; BEGIN IF (a = 10) THEN dbms_output.put_line('Value of a is 10'); ELSIF (a = 20) THEN dbms_output.put_line('Value of a is 20'); ELSIF (a = 30) THEN dbms_output.put_line('Value of a is 30'); ELSE dbms_output.put_line('None of the values is matching'); END IF; dbms_output.put_line('Exact value of a is: ' a); END;</pre>

Conditional Logic: IF



Statement	Syntax	Description	Example
Nested IF-THEN-ELSE Statement	<pre>IF(boolean_expression 1)THEN IF(boolean_expression 2) THEN sequence-of- statements; END IF; ELSE else-statements; END IF;</pre>	<p>You can use one IF-THEN or IF- THEN- ELSIF statement inside another IF- THEN or IF-THEN- ELSIF statement(s)</p>	<pre>DECLARE a number(3) := 100; b number(3) := 200; BEGIN -- check the boolean condition IF(a = 100) THEN -- if condition is true then check the following IF(b = 200) THEN -- if condition is true then print the following dbms_output.put_line('Value of a is 100 and b is 200'); END IF; END IF; dbms_output.put_line('Exact value of a is : ' a); dbms_output.put_line('Exact value of b is : ' b); END;</pre>

Conditional Logic: CASE



Statement	Syntax	Description	Example
CASE Statement	<pre>CASE selector WHEN 'value1' THEN Statement 1; WHEN 'value2' THEN Statement2; WHEN 'value3' THEN Statement3; ... ELSE Statement n; -- default case END CASE;</pre>	<p>Like the IF statement, the CASE statement selects one sequence of statements to execute.</p>	<pre>DECLARE grade char(1) := 'A'; BEGIN CASE grade when 'A' then dbms_output.put_line('Excellent'); when 'B' then dbms_output.put_line('Very good'); when 'C' then dbms_output.put_line('Well done'); when 'D' then dbms_output.put_line('You passed'); when 'F' then dbms_output.put_line('Better try again'); else dbms_output.put_line('No such grade'); END CASE; END; /</pre>

Conditional Logic: CASE



Statement	Syntax	Description	Example
Searched CASE Statement	<pre>CASE WHEN selector = 'value1' THEN S1; WHEN selector = 'value2' THEN S2; WHEN selector = 'value3' THEN S3; ... ELSE Sn; -- default case END CASE;</pre>	<p>The searched CASE statement has no selector, and its WHEN clauses contain search conditions that yield Boolean values.</p>	<pre>DECLARE grade char(1) := 'B'; BEGIN case when grade = 'A' then dbms_output.put_line('Excellent'); when grade = 'B' then dbms_output.put_line('Very good'); when grade = 'C' then dbms_output.put_line('Well done'); when grade = 'D' then dbms_output.put_line('You passed'); when grade = 'F' then dbms_output.put_line('Better try again'); else dbms_output.put_line('No such grade'); end case; END; /</pre>

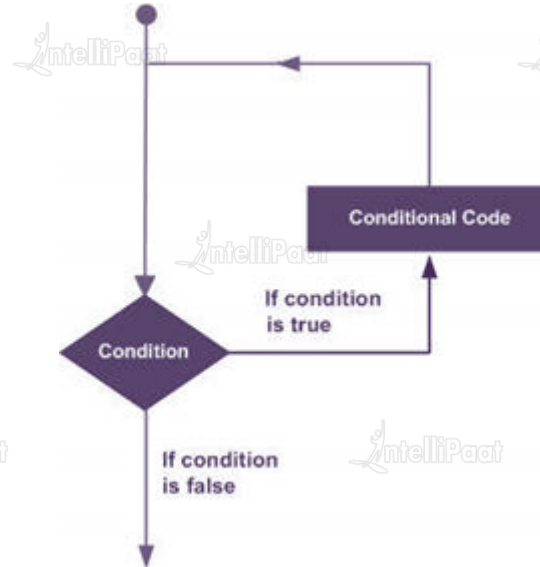
PL/SQL: Loops

LOOP Statement



- The LOOP statement is used when you are not sure of how many times you want the loop body to execute and whether you want the loop body to execute at least once.

```
LOOP  
  
{...statements...}  
  
END LOOP;
```



LOOP Statement



1.Simple loops

1.Run until you explicitly end the loop

1.WHILE loops

1.Run until a specified condition occurs

1.FOR loops

1.Run a predetermined number of times

1.Nested loops

1.You can use one or more loops inside any other basic, while, or for loop.

Simple LOOP Statement



- With each iteration, the sequence of statements is executed. And then control resumes at the top of the loop

LOOP

Sequence of statements;

END LOOP;

```
DECLARE
  x number := 10;
BEGIN
  LOOP
    dbms_output.put_line(x);
    x := x + 10;
    IF x > 50 THEN
      exit;
    END IF;
  END LOOP;
  -- after exit, control resumes here
  dbms_output.put_line('After Exit x is: ' || x);
END;
/
```

```
10
20
30
40
50
After Exit x is: 60
```

Syntax

Example

Output

WHILE LOOP Statement



- Repeatedly executes a target statement as long as a given condition is true

WHILE condition LOOP

sequence_of_statements

END LOOP;

```
DECLARE
  a number(2) := 10;
BEGIN
  WHILE a < 20 LOOP
    dbms_output.put_line('value of a:' || a);
    a := a + 1;
  END LOOP;
END;
/
```

```
value of a: 10
value of a: 11
value of a: 12
value of a: 13
value of a: 14
value of a: 15
value of a: 16
value of a: 17
value of a: 18
value of a: 19
```

Syntax

Example

Output

FOR LOOP Statement



- Allows you to efficiently write a loop that needs to execute a specific number of times

```
FOR counter IN initial_value .. final_value LOOP  
    sequence_of_statements;  
END LOOP;
```

```
DECLARE  
    a number(2);  
BEGIN  
    FOR a in 10 .. 20 LOOP  
        dbms_output.put_line('value of a: ' || a);  
    END LOOP;  
END;  
/
```

```
value of a: 10  
value of a: 11  
value of a: 12  
value of a: 13  
value of a: 14  
value of a: 15  
value of a: 16  
value of a: 17  
value of a: 18  
value of a: 19  
value of a: 20
```

Syntax

Example

Output

Nested LOOP Statement



- Allows using one loop inside another loop

LOOP

Sequence of statements1

LOOP

Sequence of statements2

END LOOP;

END LOOP;

Nested Simple Loop

FOR counter1 IN initial_value1 .. final_value1 LOOP

sequence_of_statements1

FOR counter2 IN initial_value2 .. final_value2 LOOP

sequence_of_statements2

END LOOP;

END LOOP;

Nested FOR Loop

WHILE condition1 LOOP

sequence_of_statements1

WHILE condition2 LOOP

sequence_of_statements2

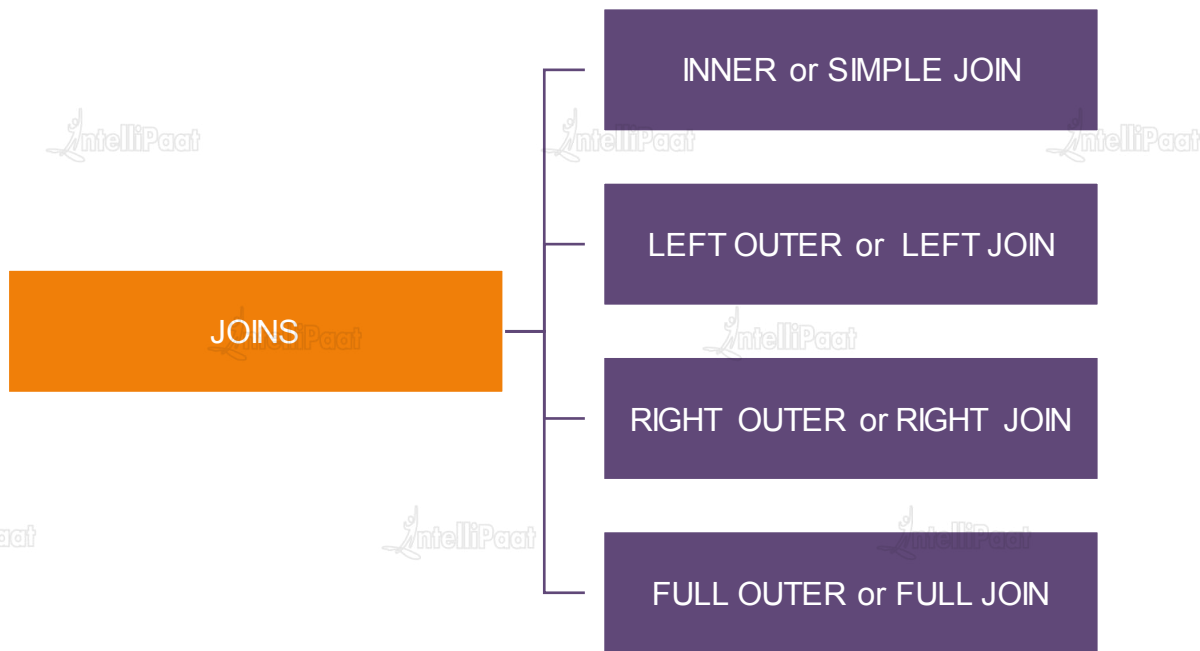
END LOOP;

END LOOP;

Nested WHILE Loop

PL/SQL: Joins

- Used to retrieve data from multiple tables



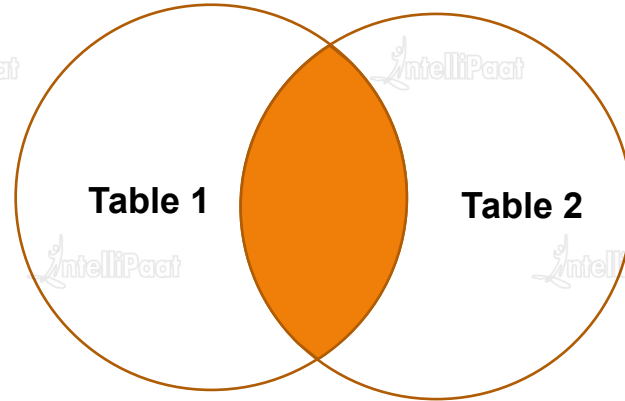
INNER JOIN (Simple Join)



- Returns all rows from multiple tables where the join condition is met

Syntax

```
SELECT columns  
FROM table1  
INNER JOIN table2  
ON table1.column = table2.column;
```



Different Ways of Joining Using Inner Join

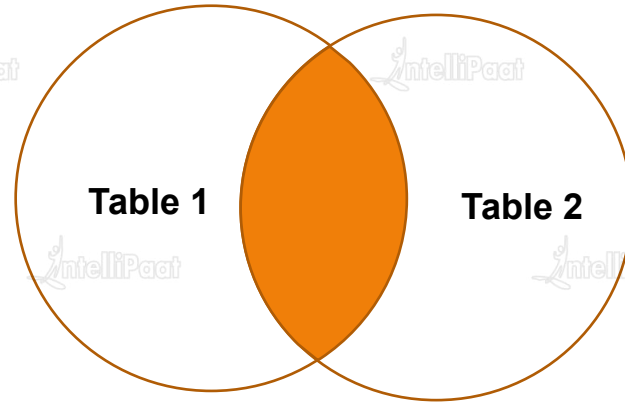


Syntax

```
Select columns,..  
from table1, table2, ...  
where (Join Condition);
```

Example

```
SQL> select e.name, e.job, d.name  
2 from employee e, dept d  
3 where e.deptno = d.deptno;
```



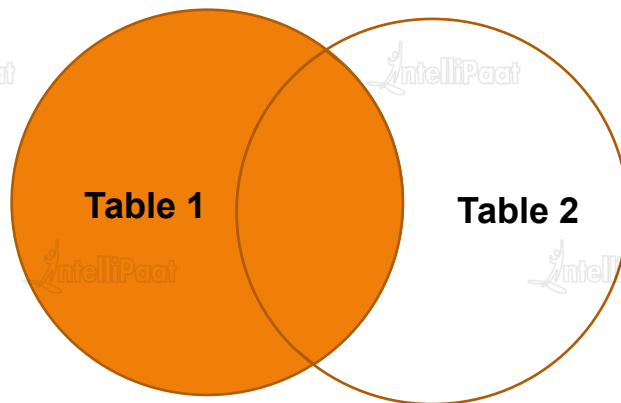
LEFT OUTER JOIN



- Returns all rows from the left-hand side table specified in the ON condition and only those rows from the other table where the joined fields are equal

Syntax

```
SELECT columns  
FROM table1  
LEFT [OUTER] JOIN table2  
ON table1.column = table2.column;
```



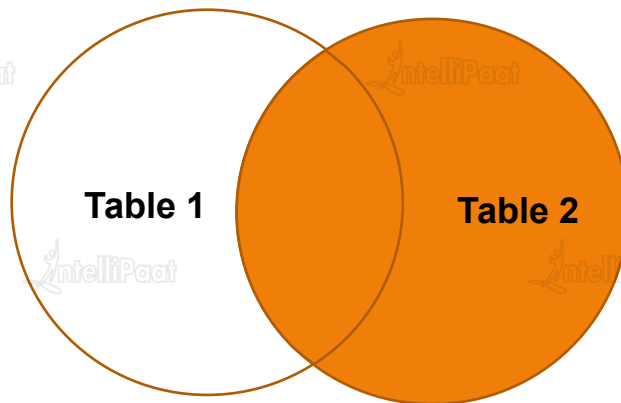
RIGHT OUTER JOIN



- Returns all rows from the right-hand side table specified in the ON condition and only those rows from the other table where the joined fields are equal

Syntax

```
SELECT columns  
FROM table1  
RIGHT [OUTER] JOIN table2  
ON table1.column = table2.column;
```



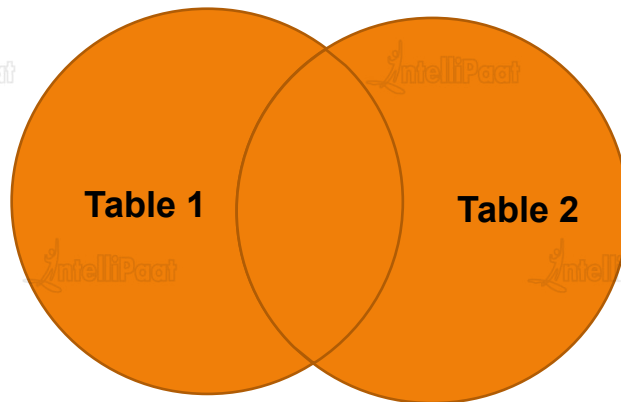
FULL OUTER JOIN



- Returns all rows from the left-hand table and the right-hand table with nulls in place where the join condition is not met.

Syntax

```
SELECT columns  
FROM table1  
FULL [OUTER] JOIN table2  
ON table1.column = table2.column;
```



SELF JOIN



- Joining a table to itself is called a self join.
- It is useful when you want to join one row in a table to another in the same table.

List employee names along with their manager's name

```
SQL> select w.name as "Employee", m.name as "Manager"  
2 from employee w join employee m  
3 on w.mgr = m.empno;
```

List employees whose salaries exceed their manager's salary

```
SQL> select w. name as "Employee", m. name as "Manager"  
2 from employee w join employee m  
3 on w.mgr = m.empno and w.salary > m.salary;
```

NON-EQUI JOIN



- In this join, we need to use only relational operators such as $>$, $<$, $>=$, $<=$, \neq except $1=1$ operator.
- The main advantage of non-equi join is that, even though there is no common column, we can perform the join operation.

```
SQL> Select e.empno, e.name e.salary s. grade from employee e, salarygrade s  
2 where e.salary BETWEEN s.losai AND hisai;
```


Natural Join



- This join was introduced from the Oracle 9i version onwards.
- Both equi join and natural join are exactly the same as far as the output is concerned.
- There are three differences between equi join and natural join.

1) No need to check the
WHERE condition

No need to mention the
table name before the
common column

Common column will be
displayed in front of the
output

```
Select * from dept natural join dept
```



Quiz

Quiz 1

The ORDER BY clause can only be used in ?

A

SELECT queries

B

INSERT queries

C

GROUP BY queries

D

HAVING queries

Quiz 1



The ORDER BY clause can only be used in ?

A

SELECT queries

B

INSERT queries

C

GROUP BY queries

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Quiz 2



Select the invalid PL/SQL looping construct ?

A

WHILE LOOP ... END LOOP;

B

FOR rec IN some_cursor LOOP ... END LOOP;

C

LOOP ... UNTIL ; END LOOP;

D

LOOP ... EXIT WHEN ; END LOOP;

Answer 2



Select the invalid PL/SQL looping construct ?

A

WHILE LOOP ... END LOOP;

B

FOR rec IN some_cursor LOOP ... END LOOP;

C

LOOP ... UNTIL ; END LOOP;

D

LOOP ... EXIT WHEN ; END LOOP;

Quiz 3



Which of the following way or ways before is/are correct to insert DATE in a table?

A

insert into Employee(Start_Date) values ('05-FEB-2020')

B

insert into Employee(Start_Date) values ('FEB-05-2020')

C

Both a and b

D

None of the above

Answer 3



Which of the following way or ways before is/are correct to insert DATE in a table?

A

insert into Employee(Start_Date) values ('05-FEB-2020')

B

insert into Employee(Start_Date) values ('FEB-05-2020')

C

Both a and b

D

None of the above

Quiz 4



The following SQL is which type of join: `SELECT CUSTOMER_T.CUSTOMER_ID, ORDER_T.CUSTOMER_ID, NAME, ORDER_ID
FROM CUSTOMER_T,ORDER_T WHERE CUSTOMER_T.CUSTOMER_ID = ORDER_T.CUSTOMER_ID`

A

Equi-join

B

Natural join

C

Outer join

D

Error in code

Answer 4



The following SQL is which type of join: `SELECT CUSTOMER_T.CUSTOMER_ID, ORDER_T.CUSTOMER_ID, NAME, ORDER_ID
FROM CUSTOMER_T,ORDER_T WHERE CUSTOMER_T.CUSTOMER_ID = ORDER_T.CUSTOMER_ID`

A

Equi-join

B

Natural join

C

Outer join

D

Error in code

Quiz 5



Which set operator can be used to join two sub-queries ?

A

Intersect

B

Union All

C

Union

D

Minus

Answer 5



Which set operator can be used to join two sub-queries ?

A

Intersect

B

Union All

C

Union

D

Minus



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