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### EXERCISE 13

#### Creating Views

1. What are three uses for a view from a DBA's perspective?

- \* Restrict Data Access
- \* Simplify Complex Queries
- \* Provide Data Independence.

2. Create a simple view called view\_d\_songs that contains the ID, title and artist from the DJs on Demand table for each "New Age" type code. In the subquery, use the alias "Song Title" for the title column.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW view_d_songs AS
SELECT id, title AS "Song Title", artist
FROM d_songs
WHERE type_code = 'New Age';
```

3. SELECT \* FROM view\_d\_songs. What was returned?

type\_code = 'New Age'

4. REPLACE view\_d\_songs. Add type\_code to the column list. Use aliases for all columns.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW view_d_songs (song-ID, song-Ti-
performer, song-Type)
SELECT id, title, artist, type_code
FROM d_songs
WHERE type_code = 'New Age';
```

Or use alias after the CREATE statement as shown.

5. Jason Tsang, the disk jockey for DJs on Demand, needs a list of the past events and those planned for the coming months so he can make arrangements for each event's equipment setup. As the company manager, you do not want him to have access to the price that clients paid for their events. Create a view for Jason to use that displays the name of the event, the event date, and the theme description. Use aliases for each column name.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW v1 AS  
SELECT event_name AS 'Event name',  
       event_date AS 'Event Date',  
       theme_desc AS 'Theme';  
FROM ol_events;
```

6. It is company policy that only upper-level management be allowed access to individual employee salaries. The department managers, however, need to know the minimum, maximum, and average salaries, grouped by department. Use the Oracle database to prepare a view that displays the needed information for department managers.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW dept_salary_summary AS  
SELECT department_id AS 'Dept ID',  
       MAX(salary) AS 'Max Salary',  
       AVG(salary) AS 'Avg Salary',  
FROM employees;  
GROUP BY department_id;
```

## DML Operations and Views

Use the DESCRIBE statement to verify that you have tables named copy\_d\_songs, copy\_d\_events, copy\_d\_cds, and copy\_d\_clients in your schema. If you don't, write a query to create a copy of each.

1. Query the data dictionary USER\_UPDATABLE\_COLUMNS to make sure the columns in the base tables will allow UPDATE, INSERT, or DELETE. All table names in the data dictionary are stored in uppercase.

```
SELECT Table_name, column_name, insertable, updatable, deletable
FROM user.updatable_columns
WHERE table_name IN ('COPY_D_SONGS', 'COPY_D_EVENTS', 'COPY_D_CDS', 'COPY_D_CLIENTS');
```

Use the same syntax but change table\_name of the other tables.

2. Use the CREATE or REPLACE option to create a view of all the columns in the copy\_d\_songs table called view\_copy\_d\_songs.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW view_copy_d_songs AS
SELECT * FROM copy_d_songs
```

3. Use view\_copy\_d\_songs to INSERT the following data into the underlying copy\_d\_songs table. Execute a SELECT \* from copy\_d\_songs to verify your DML command. See the graphic.

ID	TITLE	DURATION	ARTIST	TYPE_CODE
88	Mello Jello	2	The What	4

```
INSERT INTO view_copy_d_songs (id, title, duration, type_code)
VALUES (88, 'Mello Jello', 2, 'The What', 4);

SELECT * FROM copy_d_songs;
```

4. Create a view based on the DIS on Demand COPY\_D\_CDS table. Name the view read\_copy\_d\_cds. Select all columns to be included in the view. Add a WHERE clause to restrict the year to 2000. Add the WITH READ ONLY option.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW read-copy-d-cds AS  
SELECT * FROM copy_d_cds  
WHERE year = 2000  
WITH READ ONLY;
```

5. Using the read\_copy\_d\_cds view, execute a DELETE FROM read\_copy\_d\_cds WHERE cd\_number = 90.

```
DELETE FROM read-copy-d-cds WHERE number = 90;
```

6. Use REPLACE to modify read\_copy\_d\_cds. Replace the READ ONLY option with WITH CHECK OPTION CONSTRAINT ck\_read\_copy\_d\_cds. Execute a SELECT \* statement to verify that the view exists.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW  
SELECT * FROM copy_d_cds  
WHERE year = 2000  
WITH CHECK OPTION CONSTRAINT
```

7. Use the read\_copy\_d\_cds view to delete any CD of year 2000 from the underlying copy\_d\_cds.

```
DELETE FROM read-copy-d-cds WHERE year = 2000;
```

8. Use the read\_copy\_d\_cds view to delete cd\_number 90 from the underlying copy\_d\_cds table.

```
DELETE FROM read-copy-d-cds WHERE cd  
number = 90;
```

9. Use the read\_copy\_d\_cds view to delete year 2001 records.

```
DELETE FROM read-copy-d-cds WHERE  
Year = 2001;
```



10. Execute a SELECT \* statement for the base table copy\_d\_cds. What rows were deleted?

SELECT \* FROM copy\_d\_cds

11. What are the restrictions on modifying data through a view?

- \* contains GROUP BY DISTRICT as a jagged
- \* contains expression or join
- \* Based on multiple tables.

12. What is Moore's Law? Do you consider that it will continue to apply indefinitely? Support your opinion with research from the internet.

It states that the number of transistors on a microchip every two years, heat and equation effects are showing it means law is approaching its end in traditional silicon technology.

13. What is the "singularity" in terms of computing?

The technological singularity is a hypothetical future point where artificial intelligence surpasses human intelligence, leading to uncontrollable technological growth.

### Managing Views

1. Create a view from the copy\_d\_songs table called view\_copy\_d\_songs that includes only the title and artist. Execute a SELECT \* statement to verify that the view exists.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW view_copy_d_songs AS  
SELECT title, artist  
FROM copy_d_songs;  
SELECT * FROM view_copy_d_songs;
```

2. Issue a DROP view\_copy\_d\_songs. Execute a SELECT \* statement to verify that the view has been deleted.

```
DROP view_copy_d_songs;  
SELECT * FROM view_copy_d_songs;
```

3. Create a query that selects the last name and salary from the Oracle database. Rank the salaries from highest to lowest for the top three employees.

```
SELECT last_name, salary, RANK()  
OVER (ORDER BY salary DESC)  
FROM employees  
WHERE R = 3;
```

4. Construct an inline view from the Oracle database that lists the last name, salary, department ID, and maximum salary for each department. Hint: One query will need to calculate maximum salary by department ID.

```
SELECT l.last_name, e.salary, e.department_id,  
m.max_salary  
FROM department  
JOIN (SELECT department_id, MAX(salary) max_salary  
FROM employee  
GROUP BY department_id) AS max_salary  
ON department_id = max_salary.department_id
```

5. Create a query that will return the staff members of Global Fast Foods ranked by salary from lowest to highest.

```
SELECT name, salary  
FROM global_fast_foods.staff  
ORDER BY salary ASC;
```

## Indexes and Synonyms

1. What is an index and what is it used for?

An index is a database object that improves the speed of data retrieval a table. it works like a book index access without scanning the whole table.

2. What is a ROWID, and how is it used?

ROWID is a unique address of a row in a table its used to locate rows quickly.

3. When will an index be created automatically?

An index is automatically created when a column is declared as primary key or unique constraint.

4. Create a nonunique index (foreign key) for the DJs on Demand column (cd\_number) in the D\_TRACK\_LISTINGS table. Use the Oracle Application Express SQL Workshop Data Browser to confirm that the index was created.

```
create index dcd_idx  
on d-track-listings;
```

5. Use the join statement to display the indexes and uniqueness that exist in the data dictionary for the DJs on Demand D\_SONGS table.

```
select index-name, table-name, uniqueness  
from user_indexes
```

```
where table-name = 'D-Songs';
```

6. Use a SELECT statement to display the index\_name, table\_name, and uniqueness from the data dictionary USER\_INDEXES for the DJs on Demand D\_EVENTS table.

```
select index-name, table-name, uniqueness  
from user_indexes
```

```
where table-name = 'D-Events';
```

7. Write a query to create a synonym called dj\_tracks for the DJs on Demand d\_track\_listings table.

```
create SYNONYM dj-tracks FOR d-track-  
listings;
```

8. Create a function-based index for the last\_name column in DJs on Demand D\_PARTNERS table that makes it possible not to have to capitalize the table name for searches. Write a SELECT statement that would use this index.

```
CREATE INDEX partners_lastname_idx  
ON d-partners (UPPER (last_name));  
SELECT * FROM d-partners;  
WHERE UPPER (last_name) =  
140
```

9. Create a synonym for the D\_TRACK\_LISTINGS table. Confirm that it has been created by querying the data dictionary.

CREATE SYNONYM dj\_tracks FOR d\_track\_listings  
FROM user, Synonym WHERE synonym\_name = 'DJ-  
Tracks';

10. Drop the synonym that you created in question

Drop SYNONYM dj\_tracks.

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Query(5)	5
Execution (5)	5
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