Practices for Lesson 10: Creating Compound, DDL, and Event Database Triggers

Chapter 10

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Note:

- Before starting this practice, execute
 /home/oracle/labs/plpu/code_ex/cleanup_scripts/cleanup_10.sql
 script.
- 2. If you missed a step in a practice, please run the appropriate solution script for that practice step before proceeding to the next step or the next practice.

Practice 10-1: Managing Data Integrity Rules and Mutating Table Exceptions

Overview

In this practice, you implement a simple business rule for ensuring data integrity of employees' salaries with respect to the valid salary range for their jobs. You create a trigger for this rule. During this process, your new triggers cause a cascading effect with triggers created in the practice section of the previous lesson. The cascading effect results in a mutating table exception on the JOBS table. You then create a PL/SQL package and additional triggers to solve the mutating table issue.

Note: Execute cleanup_10.sql script from /home/oracle/labs/plpu/code_ex/cleanup_scripts/ before performing the following tasks.

Task

- 1. Employees receive an automatic increase in salary if the minimum salary for a job is increased to a value larger than their current salaries. Implement this requirement through a package procedure called by a trigger on the JOBS table. When you attempt to update the minimum salary in the JOBS table and try to update the employees' salaries, the CHECK_SALARY trigger attempts to read the JOBS table, which is subject to change, and you get a mutating table exception that is resolved by creating a new package and additional triggers.
 - a. Update your EMP_PKG package (that you last updated in the practice titled 'Creating Triggers") as follows:
 - 1) Add a procedure called SET SALARY that updates the employees' salaries.
 - 2) The SET_SALARY procedure accepts the following two parameters: The job ID for those salaries that may have to be updated, and the new minimum salary for the job ID
 - b. Create a row trigger named UPD_MINSALARY_TRG on the JOBS table that invokes the EMP_PKG.SET_SALARY procedure, when the minimum salary in the JOBS table is updated for a specified job ID.
 - c. Write a query to display the employee ID, last name, job ID, current salary, and minimum salary for employees who are programmers—that is, their JOB_ID is 'IT_PROG'. Then, update the minimum salary in the JOBS table to increase it by \$1,000. What happens?
- 2. To resolve the mutating table issue, create a <code>JOBS_PKG</code> package to maintain in memory a copy of the rows in the <code>JOBS</code> table. Next, modify the <code>CHECK_SALARY</code> procedure to use the package data rather than issue a query on a table that is mutating to avoid the exception. However, you must create a <code>BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE</code> statement trigger on the <code>EMPLOYEES</code> table to initialize the <code>JOBS_PKG</code> package state before the <code>CHECK_SALARY</code> row trigger is fired.
 - a. Create a new package called JOBS_PKG with the following specification:

```
PROCEDURE initialize;

FUNCTION get_minsalary(p_jobid VARCHAR2) RETURN NUMBER;

FUNCTION get_maxsalary(p_jobid VARCHAR2) RETURN NUMBER;

PROCEDURE set minsalary(p_jobid VARCHAR2, min salary
```

- b. Implement the body of JOBS PKG as follows:
 - 1) Declare a private PL/SQL index-by table called <code>jobs_tab_type</code> that is indexed by a string type based on the <code>JOBS.JOB ID%TYPE</code>.
 - 2) Declare a private variable called jobstab based on the jobs tab type.
 - 3) The INITIALIZE procedure reads the rows in the JOBS table by using a cursor loop, and uses the JOB_ID value for the jobstab index that is assigned its corresponding row.
 - 4) The GET_MINSALARY function uses a p_jobid parameter as an index to the jobstab and returns the min salary for that element.
 - 5) The GET_MAXSALARY function uses a p_jobid parameter as an index to the jobstab and returns the max salary for that element.
 - 6) The SET_MINSALARY procedure uses its p_jobid as an index to the jobstab to set the min_salary field of its element to the value in the min_salary parameter.
 - 7) The SET_MAXSALARY procedure uses its p_jobid as an index to the jobstab to set the max_salary field of its element to the value in the max_salary parameter.
- c. Copy the CHECK_SALARY procedure from Practice 9, Exercise 1a, and modify the code by replacing the query on the JOBS table with statements to set the local minsal and maxsal variables with values from the JOBS_PKG data by calling the appropriate GET_*SALARY functions. This step should eliminate the mutating trigger exception.
- d. Implement a BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE statement trigger called INIT_JOBPKG_TRG that uses the CALL syntax to invoke the JOBS_PKG.INITIALIZE procedure to ensure that the package state is current before the DML operations are performed.
- e. Test the code changes by executing the query to display the employees who are programmers, and then issue an update statement to increase the minimum salary of the IT_PROG job type by 1,000 in the JOBS table. Follow this up with a query on the employees with the IT_PROG job type to check the resulting changes. Which employees' salaries have been set to the minimum for their jobs?
- 3. Because the CHECK_SALARY procedure is fired by CHECK_SALARY_TRG before inserting or updating an employee, you must check whether this still works as expected.
 - a. Test this by adding a new employee using EMP_PKG.ADD_EMPLOYEE with the following parameters: ('Steve', 'Morse', 'SMORSE', and sal => 6500). What happens?
 - b. To correct the problem encountered when adding or updating an employee:
 - 1) Create a BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE statement trigger called EMPLOYEE_INITJOBS_TRG on the EMPLOYEES table that calls the JOBS PKG.INITIALIZE procedure.
 - 2) Use the CALL syntax in the trigger body.

C.	Test the trigger by adding employee Steve Morse again. Confirm the inserted record in the EMPLOYEES table by displaying the employee ID, first and last names, salary, job ID, and department ID.

Solution 10-1: Managing Data Integrity Rules and Mutating Table Exceptions

In this practice, you implement a simple business rule for ensuring data integrity of employees' salaries with respect to the valid salary range for their jobs. You create a trigger for this rule. During this process, your new triggers cause a cascading effect with triggers created in the practice section of the previous lesson. The cascading effect results in a mutating table exception on the JOBS table. You then create a PL/SQL package and additional triggers to solve the mutating table issue.

- 1. Employees receive an automatic increase in salary if the minimum salary for a job is increased to a value larger than their current salaries. Implement this requirement through a package procedure called by a trigger on the JOBS table. When you attempt to update the minimum salary in the JOBS table and try to update the employees' salaries, the CHECK_SALARY trigger attempts to read the JOBS table, which is subject to change, and you get a mutating table exception that is resolved by creating a new package and additional triggers.
 - a. Update your EMP PKG package (that you last updated in Practice 9) as follows:
 - 1) Add a procedure called SET SALARY that updates the employees' salaries.
 - 2) The SET_SALARY procedure accepts the following two parameters: The job ID for those salaries that may have to be updated, and the new minimum salary for the job ID

Open sol_10.sql script from /home/oracle/labs/plpu/soln directory. Uncomment and select the code under Task 1_a. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown as follows. The newly added code is highlighted in bold letters in the following code box.

```
--- Package SPECIFICATION

CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE emp_pkg IS

TYPE emp_tab_type IS TABLE OF employees%ROWTYPE;

PROCEDURE add_employee(
    p_first_name employees.first_name%TYPE,
    p_last_name employees.last_name%TYPE,
    p_email employees.email%TYPE,
    p_job employees.job_id%TYPE DEFAULT 'SA_REP',
    p_mgr employees.manager_id%TYPE DEFAULT 145,
    p_sal employees.salary%TYPE DEFAULT 1000,
    p_comm employees.commission_pct%TYPE DEFAULT 0,
    p_deptid employees.department_id%TYPE DEFAULT 30);

PROCEDURE add employee(
```

```
p first name employees.first name%TYPE,
    p last name employees.last name%TYPE,
    p_deptid employees.department id%TYPE);
  PROCEDURE get employee(
    p empid IN employees.employee id%TYPE,
    p sal OUT employees.salary%TYPE,
    p job OUT employees.job id%TYPE);
  FUNCTION get_employee(p_emp_id employees.employee_id%type)
    return employees%rowtype;
  FUNCTION get employee(p family name employees.last name%type)
    return employees%rowtype;
  PROCEDURE get_employees(p_dept_id
employees.department id%type);
  PROCEDURE init departments;
  PROCEDURE print employee(p rec emp employees%rowtype);
  PROCEDURE show employees;
  -- New set_salary procedure
  PROCEDURE set salary(p jobid VARCHAR2, p min salary NUMBER);
END emp pkg;
SHOW ERRORS
-- Package BODY
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY emp pkg IS
  TYPE boolean tab type IS TABLE OF BOOLEAN
     INDEX BY BINARY INTEGER;
  valid departments boolean_tab_type;
  emp table
                    emp_tab_type;
  FUNCTION valid deptid(p deptid IN
departments.department id%TYPE)
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```
RETURN BOOLEAN;
  PROCEDURE add employee(
    p first name employees.first name%TYPE,
    p last name employees.last name%TYPE,
    p email employees.email%TYPE,
    p job employees.job id%TYPE DEFAULT 'SA REP',
    p mgr employees.manager id%TYPE DEFAULT 145,
    p sal employees.salary%TYPE DEFAULT 1000,
    p comm employees.commission pct%TYPE DEFAULT 0,
    p deptid employees.department id%TYPE DEFAULT 30) IS
  BEGIN -- add employee
    IF valid deptid(p deptid) THEN
      INSERT INTO employees (employee id, first name, last name,
email,
        job id, manager id, hire date, salary, commission pct,
department id)
      VALUES (employees seq.NEXTVAL, p first name, p last name,
p email,
        p job, p mgr, TRUNC(SYSDATE), p sal, p comm, p deptid);
    ELSE
      RAISE APPLICATION ERROR (-20204, 'Invalid department ID.
Try again.');
    END IF;
  END add employee;
  PROCEDURE add employee(
    p first name employees.first name%TYPE,
    p last name employees.last name%TYPE,
    p deptid employees.department id%TYPE) IS
    p email employees.email%type;
  BEGIN
    p email := UPPER(SUBSTR(p first name, 1,
1) | | SUBSTR(p last name, 1, 7));
    add_employee(p_first_name, p_last_name, p_email, p_deptid =>
p deptid);
  END;
  PROCEDURE get employee(
    p empid IN employees.employee id%TYPE,
    p sal OUT employees.salary%TYPE,
    p job OUT employees.job id%TYPE) IS
```

```
BEGIN
    SELECT salary, job id
    INTO p sal, p job
    FROM employees
    WHERE employee id = p empid;
  END get employee;
  FUNCTION get employee(p emp id employees.employee id%type)
    return employees%rowtype IS
    rec emp employees%rowtype;
  BEGIN
    SELECT * INTO rec emp
    FROM employees
    WHERE employee id = p emp id;
    RETURN rec emp;
  END;
  FUNCTION get employee(p family name employees.last name%type)
    return employees%rowtype IS
    rec emp employees%rowtype;
  BEGIN
    SELECT * INTO rec emp
    FROM employees
    WHERE last name = p family name;
    RETURN rec emp;
  END;
  PROCEDURE get employees(p dept id
employees.department id%type) IS
  BEGIN
    SELECT * BULK COLLECT INTO emp table
    FROM EMPLOYEES
    WHERE department_id = p_dept_id;
  END;
  PROCEDURE init departments IS
  BEGIN
    FOR rec IN (SELECT department id FROM departments)
      valid departments(rec.department id) := TRUE;
    END LOOP;
  END;
```

```
PROCEDURE print employee(p rec emp employees%rowtype) IS
  BEGIN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(p rec emp.department id ||' '||
                         p rec emp.employee id||' '||
                         p rec emp.first name | | ' ' | |
                         p rec emp.last name||' '||
                         p rec emp.job id||' '||
                         p rec emp.salary);
  END;
  PROCEDURE show employees IS
  BEGIN
    IF emp table IS NOT NULL THEN
      DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE('Employees in Package table');
      FOR i IN 1 .. emp table.COUNT
        print employee(emp table(i));
      END LOOP;
    END IF;
  END show employees;
  FUNCTION valid deptid(p deptid IN
departments.department id%TYPE)
   RETURN BOOLEAN IS
    v dummy PLS INTEGER;
  BEGIN
    RETURN valid departments.exists(p deptid);
  EXCEPTION
    WHEN NO DATA FOUND THEN
    RETURN FALSE;
END valid deptid;
-- New set_salary procedure
PROCEDURE set_salary(p_jobid VARCHAR2, p min_salary NUMBER) IS
    CURSOR cur emp IS
      SELECT employee id
      FROM employees
      WHERE job id = p jobid AND salary < p min salary;
  BEGIN
    FOR rec emp IN cur emp
    LOOP
      UPDATE employees
        SET salary = p min salary
```

```
WHERE employee_id = rec_emp.employee_id;
END LOOP;
END set_salary;

BEGIN
init_departments;
END emp_pkg;
/
SHOW ERRORS

Script Output *

Package EMP_PKG compiled
No errors.

Package body EMP_PKG compiled
No errors.
```

b. Create a row trigger named <code>UPD_MINSALARY_TRG</code> on the <code>JOBS</code> table that invokes the <code>EMP_PKG.SET_SALARY</code> procedure, when the minimum salary in the <code>JOBS</code> table is updated for a specified job ID.

Uncomment and select the code under Task 1_b. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER upd_minsalary_trg

AFTER UPDATE OF min_salary ON JOBS

FOR EACH ROW

BEGIN

emp_pkg.set_salary(:new.job_id, :new.min_salary);

END;

/

SHOW ERRORS

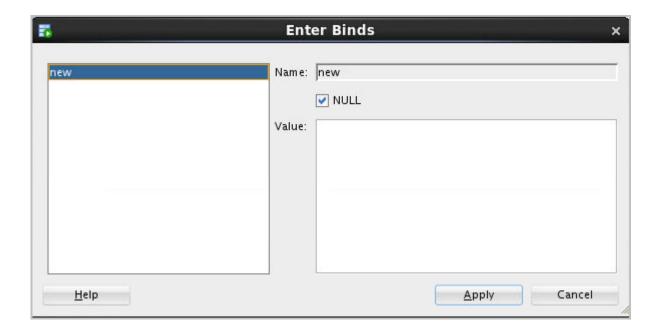
Script Output ×

P P D D I Task completed in 0.041 seconds

TRIGGER UPD_MINSALARY_TRG compiled

No Errors.
```

Note: The trigger compilation might ask for values of bind variables while compiling. You may encounter a wizard as the one below. Click Apply.

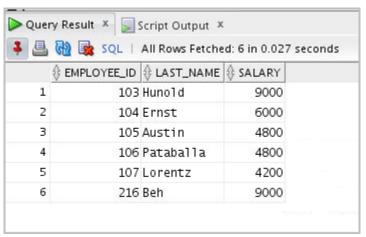


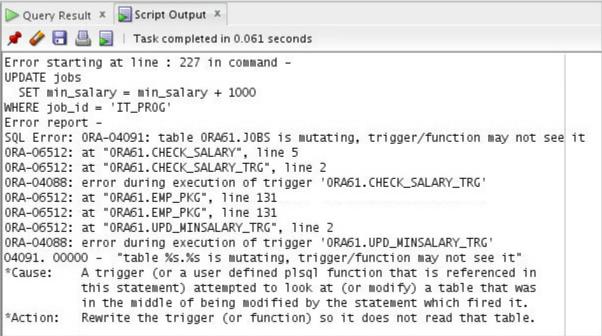
c. Write a query to display the employee ID, last name, job ID, current salary, and minimum salary for employees who are programmers—that is, their JOB_ID is 'IT_PROG'. Then, update the minimum salary in the JOBS table to increase it by \$1,000. What happens?

Uncomment and select the code under Task 1_c. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below.

```
SELECT employee_id, last_name, salary
FROM employees
WHERE job_id = 'IT_PROG';

UPDATE jobs
   SET min_salary = min_salary + 1000
WHERE job_id = 'IT_PROG';
```





The update of the min_salary column for job 'IT_PROG' fails because the UPD_MINSALARY_TRG trigger on the JOBS table attempts to update the employees' salaries by calling the EMP_PKG.SET_SALARY procedure. The SET_SALARY procedure causes the CHECK_SALARY_TRG trigger to fire (a cascading effect). The CHECK_SALARY_TRG calls the CHECK_SALARY procedure, which attempts to read the JOBS table data. While reading the JOBS table, the CHECK_SALARY procedure encounters the mutating table exception.

- 2. To resolve the mutating table issue, create a <code>JOBS_PKG</code> package to maintain in memory a copy of the rows in the <code>JOBS</code> table. Next, modify the <code>CHECK_SALARY</code> procedure to use the package data rather than issue a query on a table that is mutating to avoid the exception. However, you must create a <code>BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE</code> statement trigger on the <code>EMPLOYEES</code> table to initialize the <code>JOBS_PKG</code> package state before the <code>CHECK_SALARY</code> row trigger is fired.
 - Create a new package called JOBS PKG with the following specification:

Uncomment and select the code under Task 2_a, or copy and paste the following code in the SQL Worksheet area. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE jobs_pkg IS

PROCEDURE initialize;

FUNCTION get_minsalary(p_jobid VARCHAR2) RETURN NUMBER;

FUNCTION get_maxsalary(p_jobid VARCHAR2) RETURN NUMBER;

PROCEDURE set_minsalary(p_jobid VARCHAR2, p_min_salary

NUMBER);

PROCEDURE set_maxsalary(p_jobid VARCHAR2, p_max_salary

NUMBER);

END jobs_pkg;

/

SHOW ERRORS

Script Output *

Package JOBS_PKG compiled

No errors.
```

- b. Implement the body of JOBS PKG as follows:
 - 1) Declare a private PL/SQL index-by table called <code>jobs_tab_type</code> that is indexed by a string type based on the <code>JOBS.JOB ID%TYPE</code>.
 - 2) Declare a private variable called jobstab based on the jobs tab type.
 - 3) The INITIALIZE procedure reads the rows in the JOBS table by using a cursor loop, and uses the JOB_ID value for the jobstab index that is assigned its corresponding row.
 - 4) The GET_MINSALARY function uses a p_jobid parameter as an index to the jobstab and returns the min salary for that element.
 - 5) The GET_MAXSALARY function uses a p_jobid parameter as an index to the jobstab and returns the max_salary for that element.
 - 6) The SET_MINSALARY procedure uses its p_jobid as an index to the jobstab to set the min_salary field of its element to the value in the min_salary parameter.

7) The SET_MAXSALARY procedure uses its p_jobid as an index to the jobstab to set the max_salary field of its element to the value in the max_salary parameter.

Uncomment and select the code under Task 2_b. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below. To compile the package's body, right-click the package's name or body in the Object Navigator tree, and then select Compile.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY jobs pkg IS
  TYPE jobs tab type IS TABLE OF jobs%rowtype
    INDEX BY jobs.job id%type;
  jobstab jobs tab type;
  PROCEDURE initialize IS
  BEGIN
    FOR rec job IN (SELECT * FROM jobs)
    LOOP
      jobstab(rec job.job id) := rec job;
    END LOOP;
  END initialize;
  FUNCTION get minsalary(p jobid VARCHAR2) RETURN NUMBER IS
  BEGIN
    RETURN jobstab (p jobid) .min salary;
  END get minsalary;
  FUNCTION get maxsalary(p jobid VARCHAR2) RETURN NUMBER IS
  BEGIN
    RETURN jobstab(p jobid).max salary;
  END get maxsalary;
  PROCEDURE set minsalary(p jobid VARCHAR2, p min salary NUMBER)
IS
  BEGIN
    jobstab(p jobid).max_salary := p_min_salary;
  END set minsalary;
  PROCEDURE set maxsalary(p jobid VARCHAR2, p max salary NUMBER)
IS
  BEGIN
    jobstab(p jobid).max salary := p max salary;
  END set maxsalary;
```

```
END jobs_pkg;
/
SHOW ERRORS

Script Output ×

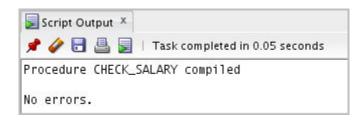
Package body JOBS_PKG compiled

No errors.
```

c. Copy the CHECK_SALARY procedure from the practice titled "Creating Triggers," Practice 9-1, and modify the code by replacing the query on the JOBS table with statements to set the local minsal and maxsal variables with values from the JOBS_PKG data by calling the appropriate GET_*SALARY functions. This step should eliminate the mutating trigger exception.

Uncomment and select the code under Task 2_c. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE check salary (p the job VARCHAR2,
p the salary NUMBER) IS
  v minsal jobs.min salary%type;
  v maxsal jobs.max salary%type;
BEGIN
  -- Commented out to avoid mutating trigger exception on the
JOBS table
  --SELECT min salary, max salary INTO v minsal, v maxsal
  --FROM jobs
  --WHERE job id = UPPER(p the job);
  v minsal := jobs pkg.get minsalary(UPPER(p the job));
  v maxsal := jobs pkg.get maxsalary(UPPER(p the job));
  IF p the salary NOT BETWEEN v minsal AND v maxsal THEN
    RAISE APPLICATION ERROR (-20100,
      'Invalid salary $'||p the salary||'. '||
      'Salaries for job '|| p the job ||
      ' must be between $'|| v minsal || and $' || v maxsal);
  END IF:
END;
SHOW ERRORS
```



d. Implement a BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE statement trigger called INIT_JOBPKG_TRG that uses the CALL syntax to invoke the JOBS_PKG.INITIALIZE procedure to ensure that the package state is current before the DML operations are performed.

Uncomment and select the code under Task 2_d. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below.

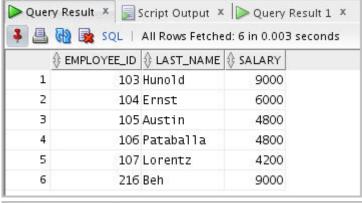
e. Test the code changes by executing the query to display the employees who are programmers, and then issue an update statement to increase the minimum salary of the IT_PROG job type by 1,000 in the JOBS table. Follow this up with a query on the employees with the IT_PROG job type to check the resulting changes. Which employees' salaries have been set to the minimum for their jobs?

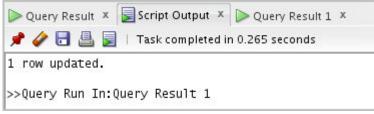
Uncomment and select the code under Task 2_e. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below.

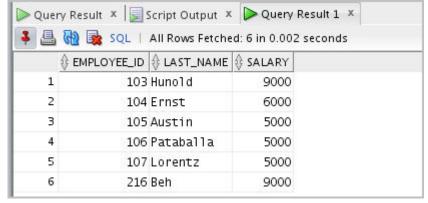
```
SELECT employee_id, last_name, salary
FROM employees
WHERE job_id = 'IT_PROG';

UPDATE jobs
   SET min_salary = min_salary + 1000
WHERE job id = 'IT PROG';
```

SELECT employee_id, last_name, salary
FROM employees
WHERE job_id = 'IT_PROG';







The employees with last names Austin, Pataballa, and Lorentz have all had their salaries updated. No exception occurred during this process, and you implemented a solution for the mutating table trigger exception.

- 3. Because the CHECK_SALARY procedure is fired by CHECK_SALARY_TRG before inserting or updating an employee, you must check whether this still works as expected.
 - a. Test this by adding a new employee using EMP_PKG.ADD_EMPLOYEE with the following parameters: ('Steve', 'Morse', 'SMORSE', and sal => 6500). What happens?

Uncomment and select the code under Task 3_a. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below.

EXECUTE emp_pkg.add_employee('Steve', 'Morse', 'SMORSE', p_sal
=> 6500)



- b. To correct the problem encountered when adding or updating an employee:
 - 1) Create a BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE statement trigger called EMPLOYEE_INITJOBS_TRG on the EMPLOYEES table that calls the JOBS_PKG.INITIALIZE procedure.
 - 2) Use the CALL syntax in the trigger body.

Uncomment and select the code under Task 3_b. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below.

```
CREATE TRIGGER employee_initjobs_trg

BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE OF job_id, salary ON employees

CALL jobs_pkg.initialize

/

Script Output *

P P P B D Task completed in 0.066 seconds

Trigger EMPLOYEE_INITJOBS_TRG compiled
```

c. Test the trigger by adding employee Steve Morse again. Confirm the inserted record in the EMPLOYEES table by displaying the employee ID, first and last names, salary, job ID, and department ID.

```
EXECUTE emp_pkg.add_employee('Steve', 'Morse', 'SMORSE', p_sal
=> 6500)
/
SELECT employee_id, first_name, last_name, salary, job_id,
department_id
FROM employees
WHERE last_name = 'Morse';
```

Uncomment and select the code under Task 3_c. Click the Run Script (F5) icon on the SQL Worksheet toolbar to run the script. The code and the results are shown below.

