

Phase 5: Apex Programming (Developer)

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Salesforce-Based Farmer Support & Marketplace System

Step 1: Classes & Objects

Apex classes are reusable code units that implement business logic. Objects (standard/custom) hold data; classes operate on object records.

➤ **What to create:**

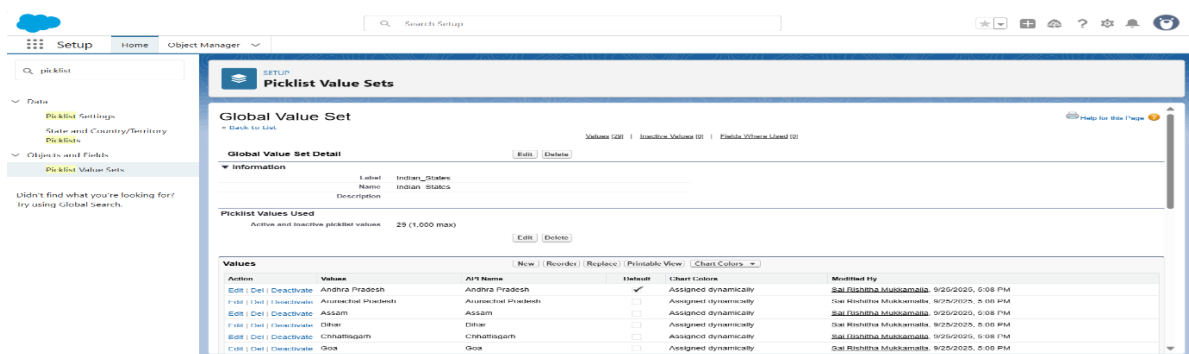
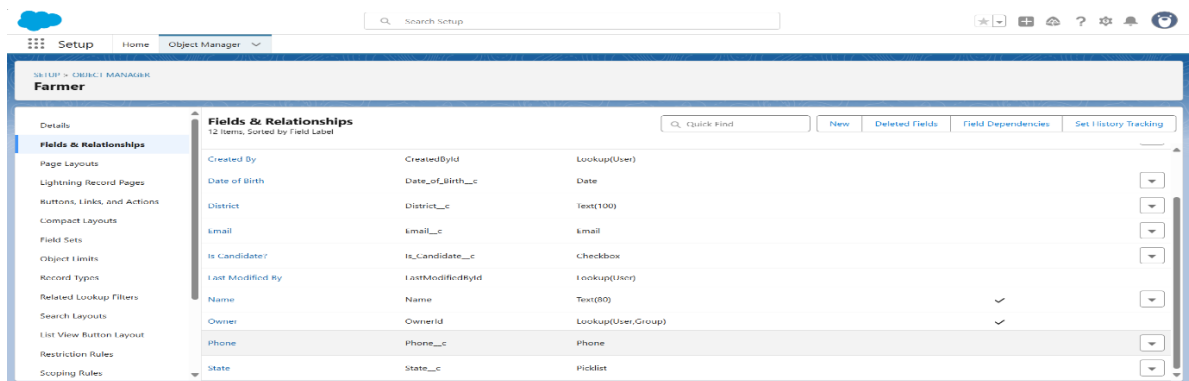
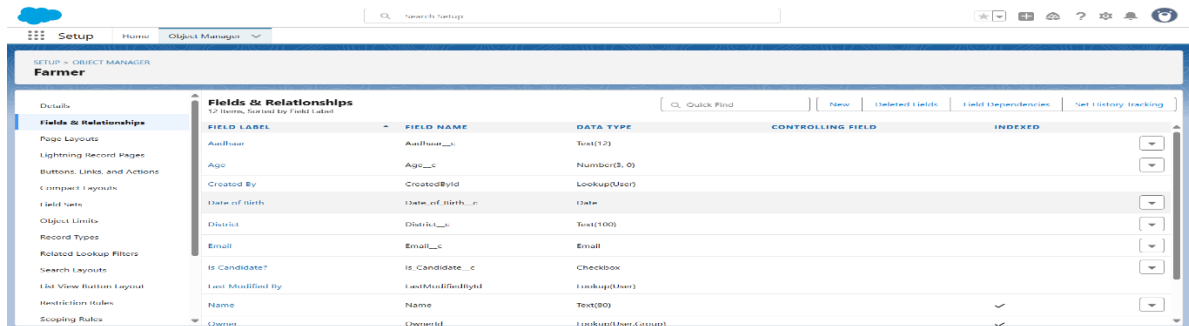
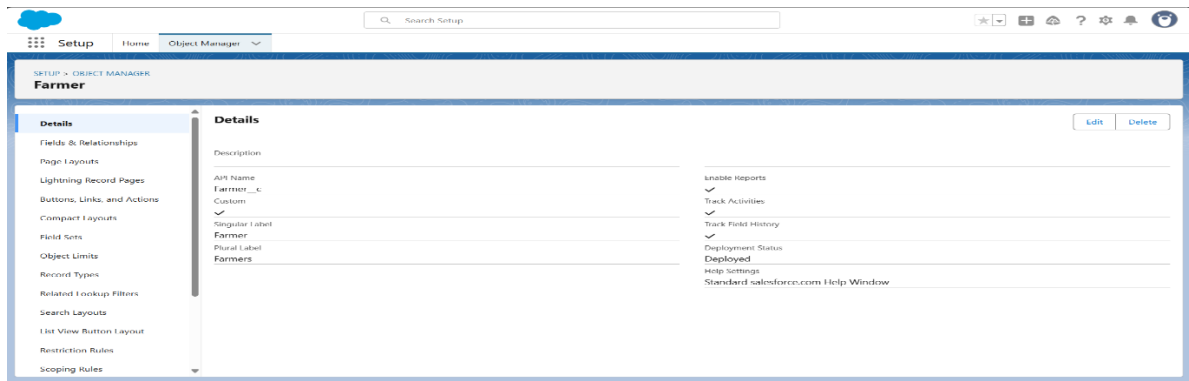
- Apex helper classes (e.g., `DataQueryService`, `OrderHelper`).
- Utility classes for shared logic.

➤ **Where to create:**

- Developer Console → *File* → *New* → *Apex Class* (name: `DataQueryService`).
- Setup → Object Manager → *[Your Object]* → *Fields & Relationships* to create custom fields.

➤ **Steps:**

- Decide object(s) you will act on (e.g., `Order__c`).
- Create any missing custom fields needed (`Status__c`, `Description__c`).
- Create Apex classes with small focused methods (query, update, helper methods).



Step 2: Apex Triggers (before/after insert/update/delete)

Trigger code that runs on record DML events. Use them to enforce rules, set defaults, or call handler logic.

➤ What to create:

- One trigger per object with minimal logic (e.g., OrdersTrigger).
- Triggers should *delegate* to a handler class.

➤ Where to create:

- Developer Console → *File* → *New* → *Apex Trigger* (select sObject e.g., Order__c).

➤ Steps:

- Create trigger file OrdersTrigger specifying events: before insert, after insert, before update, after update, before delete, after delete.
- Keep trigger lean — only create OrdersTriggerHandler instance and call appropriate methods.
- Save and test by inserting/updating/deleting sample records.

```

1 public class OrdersTriggerHandler {
2     public void beforeInsert(List<Order__c> newOrders) {
3         for (Order__c o : newOrders) {
4             // Example logic: set a default value
5             if (o.Status__c == null) {
6                 o.Status__c = 'New';
7             }
8         }
9     }
10    public void afterInsert(List<Order__c> newOrders) {
11        System.debug('After Insert executed for ' + newOrders.size() + ' orders.');

```

Step 3: Trigger Design Pattern

A design pattern that separates the trigger (entry point) from business logic (handler class) and supports bulk operations.

➤ What to create:

- Trigger Handler class for each object (e.g., OrdersTriggerHandler).

Methods to include:

- beforeInsert(List<Order__c>)
- afterInsert(List<Order__c>)
- beforeUpdate(List<Order__c>, Map<Id,Order__c>)
- afterUpdate(List<Order__c>, Map<Id,Order__c>)
- beforeDelete(Map<Id,Order__c>)

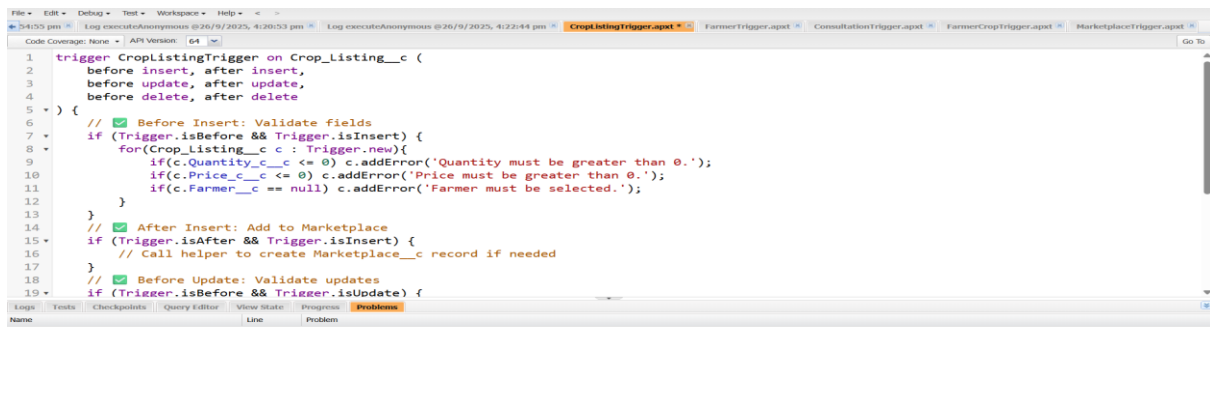
○ afterDelete(Map<Id,Order__c>)

➤ **Where to create:**

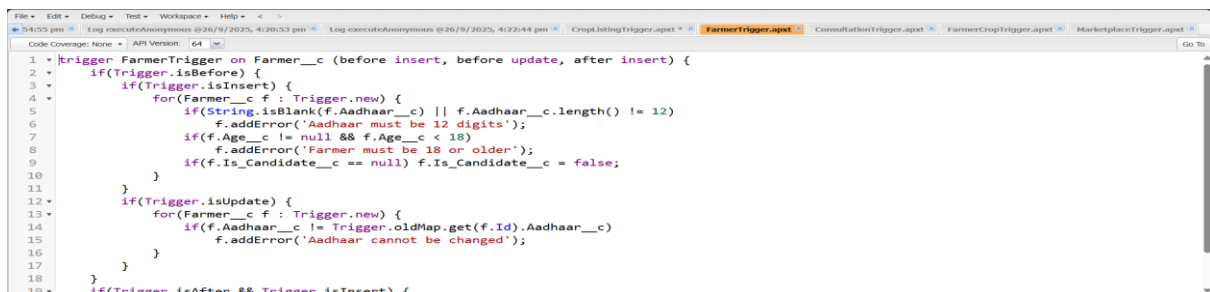
- Developer Console → *File* → *New* → *Apex Class* (name: OrdersTriggerHandler).

➤ **Steps:**

- Create handler class first, then create trigger that calls handler.
- Implement bulk-safe logic (collect Ids, single SOQL, use Maps for lookups).
- Add System.debug statements to help log which event ran during tests.



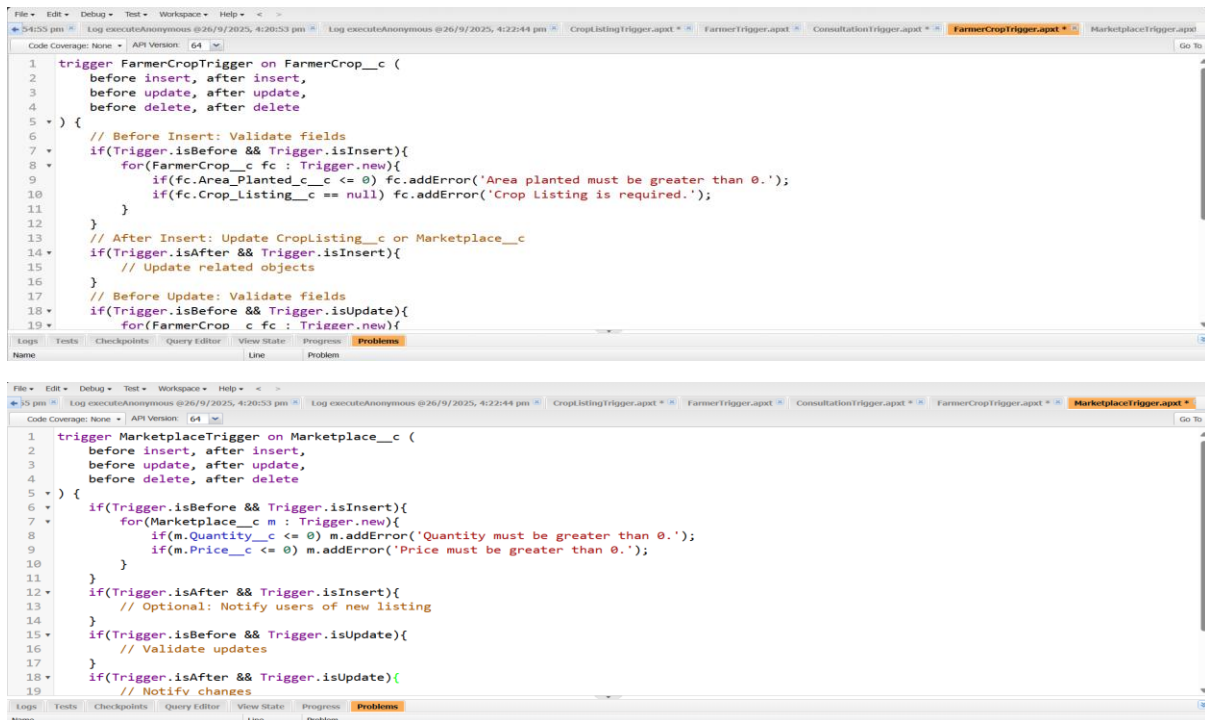
```
1 trigger CropListingTrigger on Crop_Listing__c (
2     before insert, after insert,
3     before update, after update,
4     before delete, after delete
5 ) {
6     // Before Insert: Validate fields
7     if (Trigger.isBefore && Trigger.isInsert) {
8         for(Crop_Listing__c c : Trigger.new){
9             if(c.Quantity__c <= 0) c.addError('Quantity must be greater than 0.');
```



```
1 trigger FarmerTrigger on Farmer__c (before insert, before update, after insert) {
2     if(Trigger.isBefore) {
3         if(Trigger.isInsert) {
4             for(Farmer__c f : Trigger.new) {
5                 if(String.isBlank(f.Aadhaar__c) || f.Aadhaar__c.length() != 12)
6                     f.addError('Aadhaar must be 12 digits');
```



```
1 trigger ConsultationTrigger on Consultation__c (
2     before insert, after insert,
3     before update, after update,
4     before delete, after delete
5 ) {
6     if(Trigger.isBefore && Trigger.isInsert){
7         for(Consultation__c c : Trigger.new){
8             if(c.Consultation_DateTime__c < System.now()) c.addError('Consultation cannot be scheduled in the past.');
```



Step 4: SOQL & SOSL

SOQL queries records from one object; SOSL searches across multiple objects/fields.

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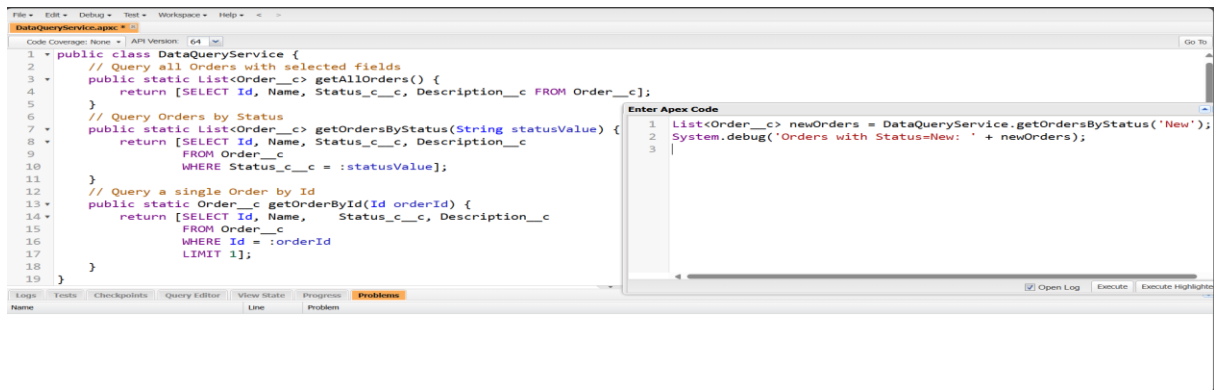
- Reusable query methods inside DataQueryService.

➤ Where to create / run:

- Queries inside Apex Classes or Execute Anonymous (Developer Console → Debug → Execute Anonymous). Quick SOQL in Developer Console → *Query Editor*.

➤ Steps:

- Verify API names (Object Manager) before writing queries.
- Start with simple queries: `SELECT Id, Name FROM Order__c LIMIT 10.`
- Use bind variables in Apex (WHERE Status__c = :statusVar).
- Use SOSL only for text search; ensure object has “Allow Search” enabled for SOSL.



Step 5: Collections: List, Set, Map

Collections store multiple values: Lists (ordered), Sets (unique), Maps (key-value). They are essential for bulk-safe Apex.

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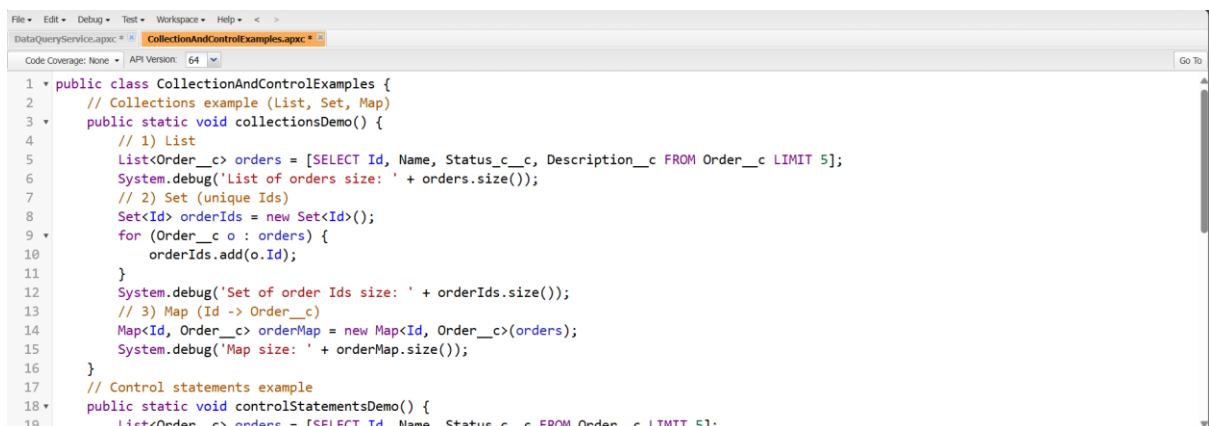
- Use Lists to hold sObjects, Sets to collect Ids, Maps for fast lookups.

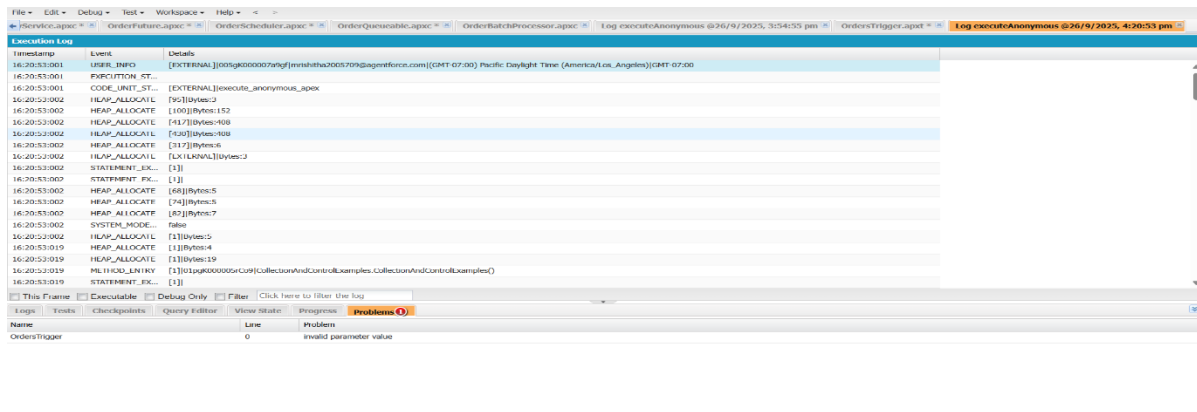
➤ Where to create:

- Inside Apex classes and trigger handlers.

➤ Steps:

- In any handler method, collect parent Ids into a Set<Id>.
- Query parent objects with single SOQL WHERE Id IN :set.
- Store results in Map<Id, SObject> for quick access.





Step 6: Control Statements

if/else, for, while, switch used to implement decision logic.

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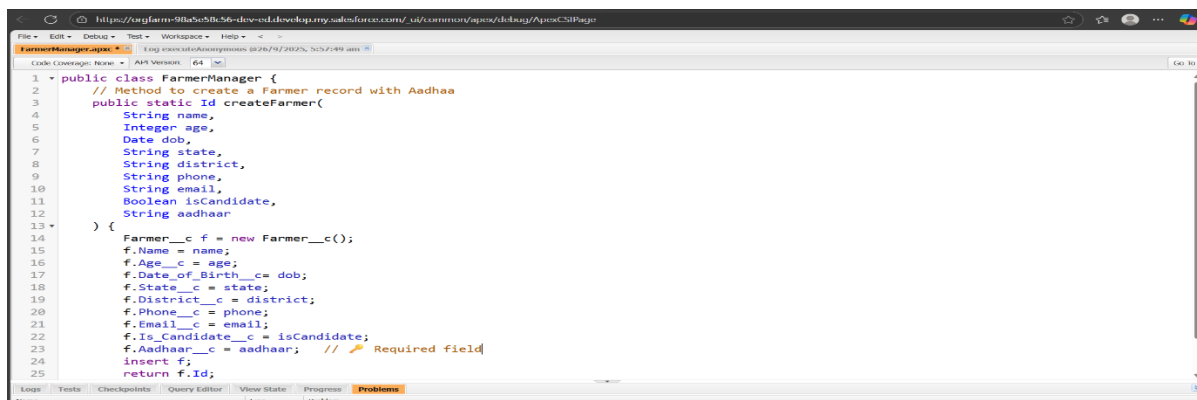
- Methods demonstrating logic in ControlStatementsExample class.

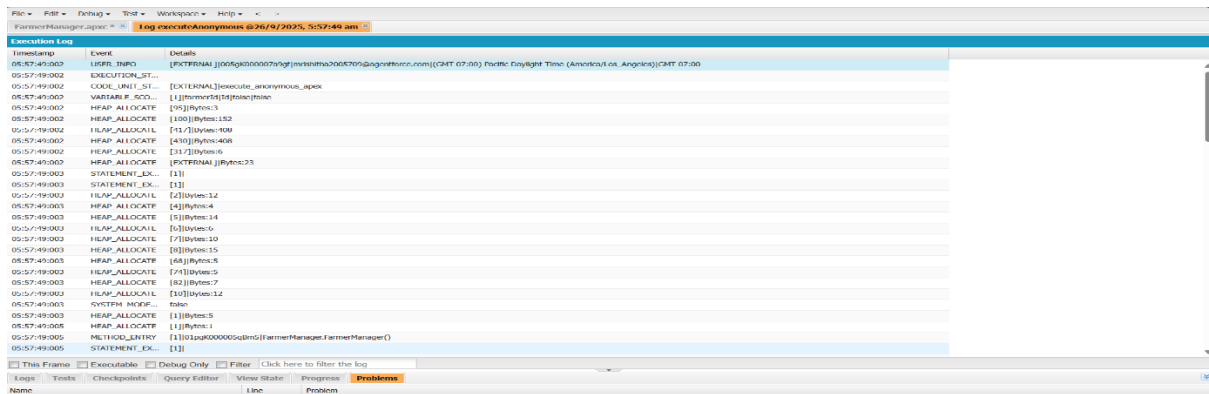
➤ Where to create:

- Developer Console → *File* → *New* → *Apex Class* (name: ControlStatementsExample).

➤ Steps:

- Use for to iterate Trigger.new.
- Use if/else to validate fields.
- Use switch for multi-branch conditions where supported.

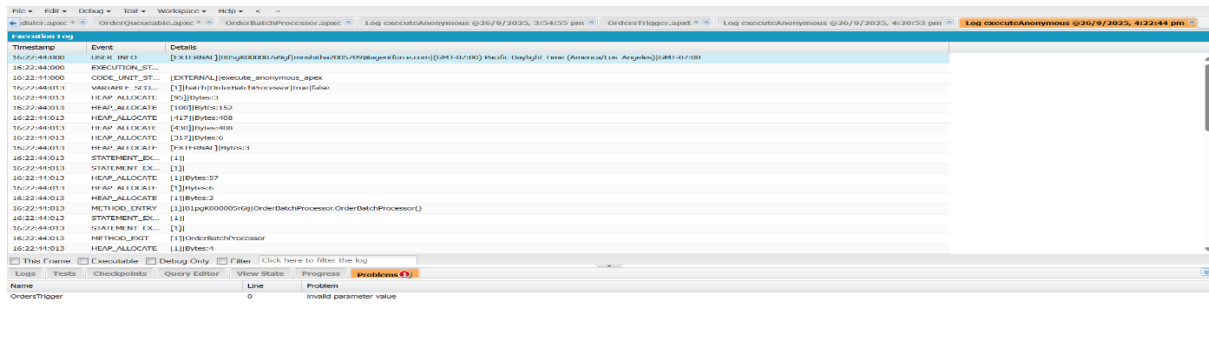




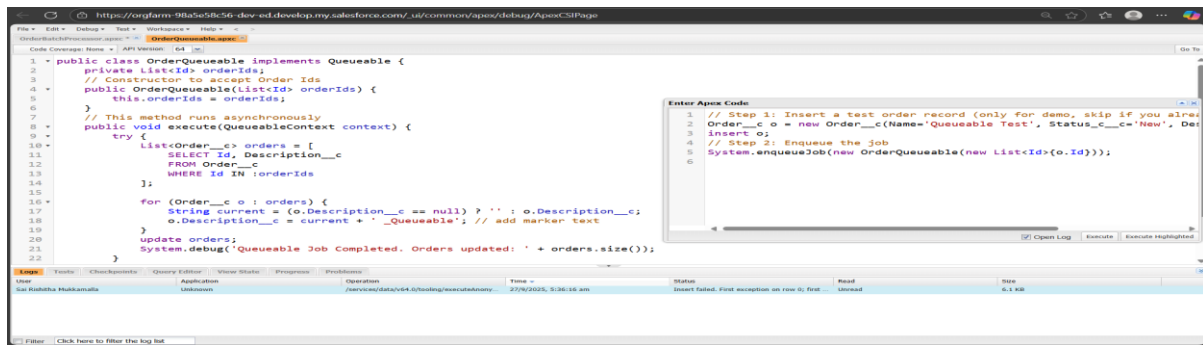
Step 7: Batch Apex

Process large volumes of records asynchronously in chunks. Use when records > 50,000 or heavy processing required.

- What to create:
 - Global batch class: `OrderBatchProcessor` implements `Database.Batchable<sObject>` with `start`, `execute`, `finish`.
- Where to create:
 - Developer Console → *File* → *New* → *Apex Class* (name: `OrderBatchProcessor`).
- Steps:
 - Implement `start` to return `Database.getQueryLocator([SELECT ... FROM Order__c WHERE ...])`.
 - Implement `execute(Database.BatchableContext, List<Order__c> scope)` to process and update scope.
 - Use `Database.executeBatch(new OrderBatchProcessor(), 200)` in Execute Anonymous.
 - Use `Test.startTest()/Test.stopTest()` in test class to run batch in tests.



- What to create:
 - OrderQueueable implements Queueable with execute(QueueableContext).
- Where to create:
 - Developer Console → *File* → *New* → *Apex Class* (name: OrderQueueable).
- Steps:
 - Implement execute to perform query/update and System.enqueueJob(new OrderQueueable()) to run.
 - Use for medium-sized asynchronous tasks.
 - Test with Test.startTest() / Test.stopTest()



Step 9: Scheduled Apex

Run Apex classes at defined times using cron expressions.

➤ What to create:

- `OrderScheduler` implements `Schedulable` and calls a `Queueable` or Batch job.

➤ Where to create:

- Developer Console → *File* → *New* → *Apex Class* (name: `OrderScheduler`).
- Schedule via *Execute Anonymous* or *Setup* → *Apex Classes* → *Schedule Apex*.

➤ Steps:

- Implement `execute(SchedulableContext)` to `System.enqueueJob(new OrderQueueable())`.
- Schedule with: `System.schedule('DailyJob','0 0 12 * * ?', new OrderScheduler());`.



Step 10: Future Methods

Simple async methods annotated with `@future`. Use for callouts or fire-and-forget tasks.

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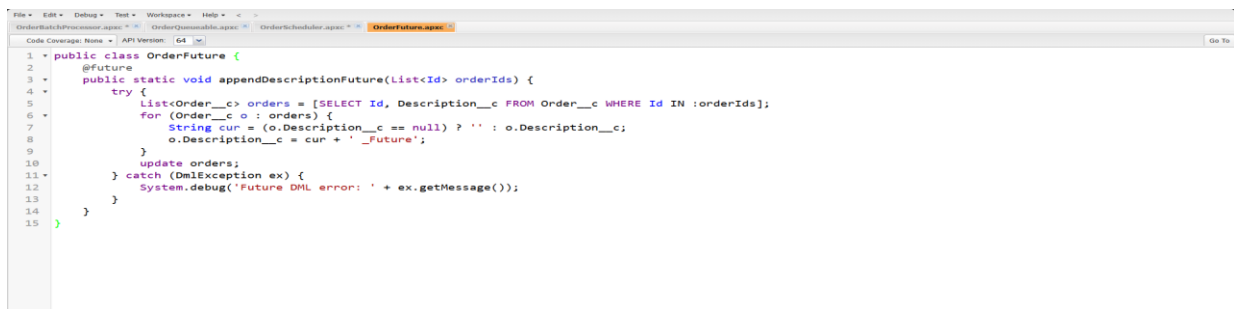
- OrderFuture class with @future public static void appendDescriptionFuture(List<Id> orderIds).

➤ **Where to create:**

- Developer Console → *File* → *New* → *Apex Class* (name: OrderFuture).

➤ **Steps:**

- Method must accept primitives or collections of primitives (e.g., List<Id>).
- Call via OrderFuture.appendDescriptionFuture(new List<Id>{id1,id2}).
- Test inside Test.startTest() / Test.stopTest().

A screenshot of an IDE window showing the code for the OrderFuture.apex class. The code is as follows:

```
1 public class OrderFuture {
2     @future
3     public static void appendDescriptionFuture(List<Id> orderIds) {
4         try {
5             List<Order__c> orders = [SELECT Id, Description__c FROM Order__c WHERE Id IN :orderIds];
6             for (Order__c o : orders) {
7                 String cur = (o.Description__c == null) ? '' : o.Description__c;
8                 o.Description__c = cur + ' _Future';
9             }
10            update orders;
11        } catch (DmlException ex) {
12            System.debug('Future DML error: ' + ex.getMessage());
13        }
14    }
15 }
```

Step 11: Exception Handling

Use try/catch/finally to catch DmlException and other Exception types and avoid unhandled runtime errors.

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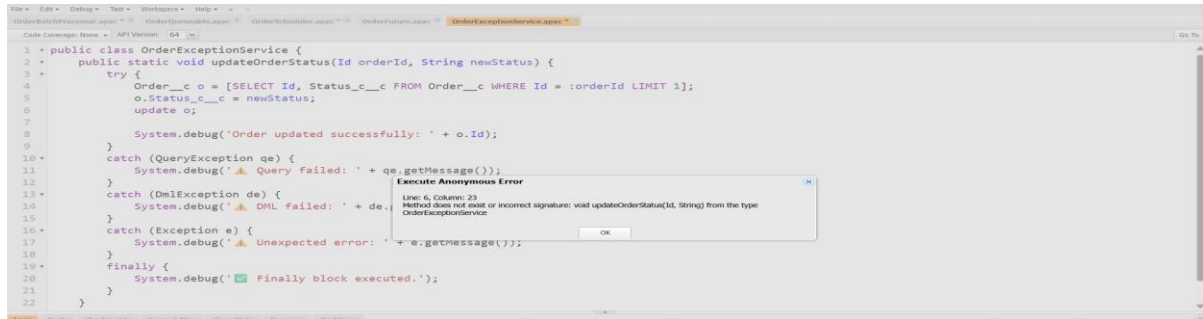
- Wrap DML and callouts in try/catch blocks inside all classes (Batch/Queueable/Future/Handlers).

➤ **Where to create:**

- Inside all Apex classes; ensure meaningful logging and graceful fallbacks.

➤ **Steps:**

- Catch DmlException specifically to examine getDmlMessage(i) if needed.
- Always include finally for cleanup logic where required.



Step 12: Test Classes

@isTest classes and methods that create test data and assert results; required for deployment ($\geq 75\%$ coverage).

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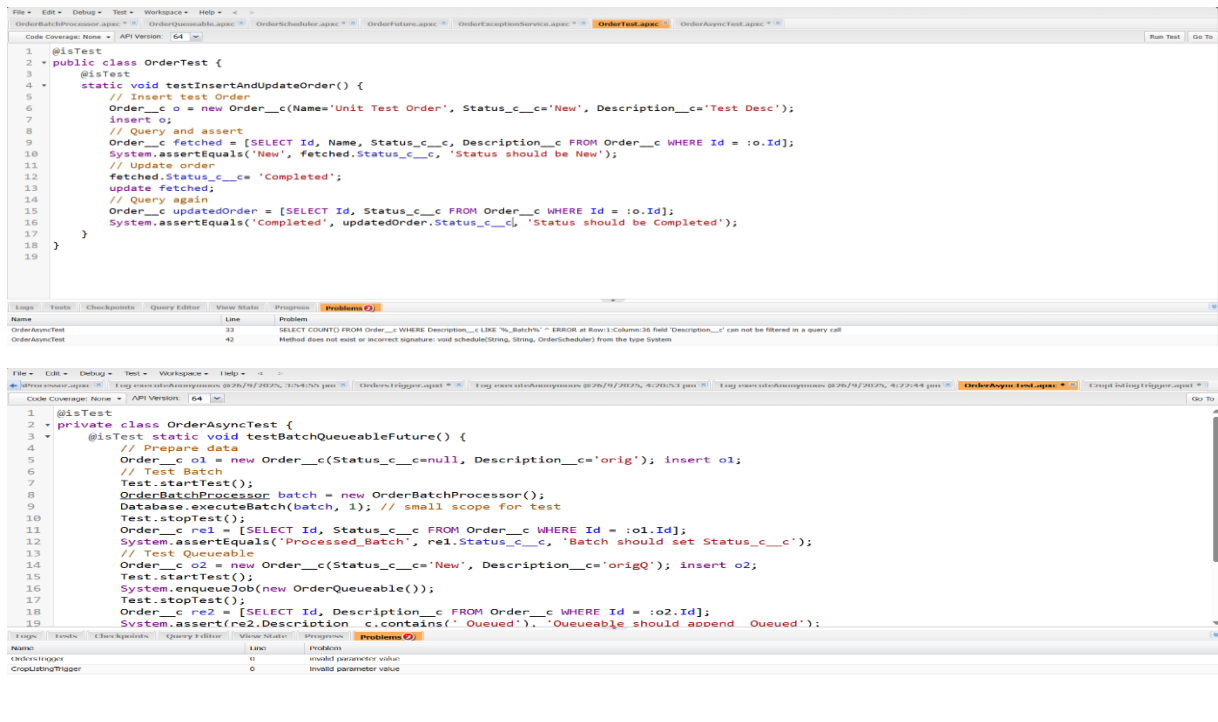
- Test classes for each component: OrderBatchTest, OrderQueueableTest, OrderFutureTest, OrdersTriggerTest (or single OrderAsyncTest).

➤ Where to create:

- Developer Console → *File* → *New* → *Apex Class* and annotate with @isTest.

➤ Steps:

- Create test records (do not use SeeAllData=true).
- Use Test.startTest() / Test.stopTest() for async execution.
- Assert expected state changes with System.assertEquals or System.assert.



Step 13: Asynchronous Processing

➤ What to create:

- Implement at least one example of each: Batch (OrderBatchProcessor), Queueable (OrderQueueable), Scheduled (OrderScheduler), Future (OrderFuture).

➤ Where to create / run:

- Developer Console → Apex Class for each implementation. Use Execute Anonymous to run/schedule, and Developer Console Test runner to execute tests.

➤ Steps:

- Implement classes, add exception handling and test classes.
- Run each async job manually in Execute Anonymous to verify behavior.
- Run tests and fix any issues shown in logs.

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Conclusion

In Phase 5 of Apex Programming, we covered the complete development lifecycle for the Order__c object, starting with classes and objects where reusable logic was placed into service classes, and Apex triggers designed with the trigger handler pattern for clean, scalable code. Using SOQL and SOSL, we queried and searched records efficiently, while collections such as List, Set, and Map helped in managing data without duplication. Control statements like if-else and loops enforced business logic. For asynchronous processing, Batch Apex (OrderBatchProcessor) handled large volumes of data, Queueable Apex (OrderQueueable) provided flexible job chaining, Scheduled Apex (OrderScheduler) automated recurring tasks, and Future methods supported lightweight background operations. Exception handling ensured system stability by catching and logging errors through OrderExceptionService. Finally, robust test classes (OrderTest, OrderAsyncTest) were built with Test.startTest() and Test.stopTest() to validate logic and guarantee coverage, ensuring governor limit compliance. Together, these components created a production-ready, scalable,

and efficient Salesforce solution that demonstrates best practices in Apex programming with strong focus on maintainability, reliability, and performance.