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FACULTY OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Introduction to Database System

Lab 15

Topic : Triggers and its types

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Read Instructions Carefully :

- 1-You need to run all queries one by one on your system.
- 2-Each query should have a screenshot of output.
- 3-Write Difference between Before and After insert , update and Delete in your own words.
- 4-You will not get any marks if you will copy from anywhere.

Different types of MySQL Triggers (with examples)

A MySQL **trigger** is a stored program (with queries) which is executed automatically to respond to a specific event such as insertion, update or deletion occurring in a table. There are 6 different types of triggers in MySQL:

Syntax:

```
create trigger [trigger_name]
[before | after]
{insert | update | delete}
on [table_name]
[for each row]
[trigger_body]
```

Explanation of syntax:

1. create trigger [trigger_name]: Creates or replaces an existing trigger with the trigger_name.
2. [before | after]: This specifies when the trigger will be executed.
3. {insert | update | delete}: This specifies the DML operation.
4. on [table_name]: This specifies the name of the table associated with the trigger.
5. [for each row]: This specifies a row-level trigger, i.e., the trigger will be executed for each row being affected.
6. [trigger_body]: This provides the operation to be performed as trigger is fired

Note: Please attempt and understand all questions carefully.

Q#1(a). Before Update Trigger:

As the name implies, it is a trigger which enacts before an update is invoked. If we write an update statement, then the actions of the trigger will be performed before the update is implemented.

Example:

Considering tables:

```
create table customer (acc_no integer primary key, cust_name varchar(20),
                        avail_balance decimal);
```

```
create table mini_statement (last_update datetime, acc_no integer,
avail_balance decimal, foreign key(acc_no) references customer(acc_no) on
delete cascade);
```

Inserting values in them:

```
insert into customer values (1000, "Fanny", 7000);
insert into customer values (1001, "Peter", 12000);
```

Trigger to insert (old) values into a mini_statement record (including account number and available balance as parameters) before updating any record in customer record/table:

```
delimiter //
create trigger update_cus
before update
on
customer
for each row
begin
insert into mini_statement values (CURRENT_TIMESTAMP(),
old.acc_no,old.avail_balance);
end;
//
```

Making updates to invoke trigger:

```
Delimiter ;
update customer set avail_balance = avail_balance + 3000 where acc_no =
1001;
update customer set avail_balance = avail_balance + 3000 where acc_no =
1000;
```

Output:

```
select *from mini_statement;

+-----+-----+
| acc_no | avail_balance |
+-----+-----+
| 1001 | 12000 |
| 1000 | 7000 |
+-----+-----+
2 rows in set (0.0007 sec)
```

Q#1(b). After Update Trigger:

As the name implies, this trigger is invoked after an update occurs. (i.e., it gets implemented after an update statement is executed.).

Example:

We create another table:

```
create table micro_statement (last_update datetime, acc_no integer,
avail_balance decimal, foreign key(acc_no) references customer(acc_no) on
delete cascade);
```

Insert another value into customer:

```
insert into customer values (1002, "Janitor", 4500);
```

Query OK, 1 row affected (0.0786 sec)

Trigger to insert (new) values of account number and available balance into micro_statement record after an update has occurred:

```
delimiter //
create trigger update_after
after update
on
customer
for each row
begin
insert into micro_statement values(CURRENT_TIMESTAMP(), new.acc_no,
new.avail_balance);
end;
//
```

Making an update to invoke trigger:

```
delimiter ;

update customer set avail_balance = avail_balance + 1500 where acc_no =
1002;
```

Output:

```
select *from micro_statement;
```

```
+-----+-----+
| acc_no | avail_balance |
+-----+-----+
| 1002   | 6000         |
+-----+-----+
```

1 row in set (0.0007 sec)

Q#1(c) Explain in your own words Difference between Before update and After update (Minimum 5 - 10 lines) ?

Q#2(a) Before Insert Trigger:

As the name implies, this trigger is invoked before an insert, or before an insert statement is executed.

Example:

Considering tables:

```
create table contacts (contact_id INT (11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,  
last_name VARCHAR (20) NOT NULL, first_name VARCHAR (25), birthday DATE,  
created_date DATE, created_by VARCHAR(20), CONSTRAINT contacts_pk PRIMARY  
KEY (contact_id));
```

Trigger to insert contact information such as name, birthday and creation-date/user into a table contact before an insert occurs:

```
delimiter //  
create trigger contacts_before_insert  
before insert  
on  
contacts  
for each row  
begin  
DECLARE vUser varchar(50);  
-- Find username of person performing INSERT into table  
select USER() into vUser;  
-- Update create_date field to current system date  
SET NEW.created_date = SYSDATE();  
-- Update created_by field to the username of the person performing the  
INSERT  
SET NEW.created_by = vUser;  
end;  
//
```

Making an insert to invoke the trigger:

```
Delimiter ;  
insert into contacts values (1, "Newton", "Enigma",  
str_to_date ("19-08-1999", "%d-%m-%Y"),  
str_to_date ("17-03-2018", "%d-%m-%Y"), "xyz");
```

Output:

```
select *from contacts;
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
| contact_id | last_name | first_name | birthday | created_date | ceated_by |
```

```

+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|          1 | Newton   | Enigma   | 1999-08-19 | 2019-05-11 |
|root@localhost |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
-----+

```

Q#2(b) After Insert Trigger:

As the name implies, this trigger gets invoked after an insert is implemented.

Example:

Consider tables:

```

create table contacts1 (contact_id int (11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
last_name VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL, first_name VARCHAR(25), birthday DATE,
CONSTRAINT contacts_pk PRIMARY KEY (contact_id));

```

```

create table contacts1_audit (contact_id integer,created_date date,
created_by varchar (30));

```

Trigger to insert contact_id and contact creation-date/user information into contacts_audit record after an insert occurs:

```

delimiter //

create trigger contacts_after_insert
after insert
on
contacts1
for each row
begin
DECLARE vUser varchar(30);
-- Find username of person performing the INSERT into table
SELECT USER() into vUser;
-- Insert record into audit table
INSERT into contacts1_audit ( contact_id, created_date, created_by)
VALUES ( NEW.contact_id, SYSDATE(), vUser );
END;
//

```

Making an insert to invoke the trigger:

```

insert into contacts1 values (1, "Asif", "Majeed",
str_to_date("20-06-1999", "%d-%m-%Y"));

```

Output:

```

select *from contacts_audit;

```

```

+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+

```

```
| contact_id | created_date | created_by |
+-----+-----+-----+
|          1 | 2019-05-11  | root@localhost |
+-----+-----+-----+

1 row in set (0.0006 sec)
```

Q#2(c) Explain in your own words Difference between Before Insert and After Insert ? (Minimum 5 - 10 lines) ?

Q#3(a) Before Delete Trigger:

As the name implies, this trigger is invoked before a delete occurs, or before the deletion statement is implemented.

Example:

Consider tables:

```
create table contacts (contact_id int (11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
last_name VARCHAR (30) NOT NULL, first_name VARCHAR (25),
birthday DATE, created_date DATE, created_by VARCHAR(30),
CONSTRAINT contacts_pk PRIMARY KEY (contact_id));
```

```
create table contacts_audit (contact_id integer, deleted_date date,
deleted_by varchar(20));
```

Trigger to insert contact_id and contact deletion-date/user information into contacts_audit record before a delete occurs:

```
delimiter //
create trigger contacts_before_delete
before delete
on
contacts
for each row
begin
DECLARE vUser varchar(50);
-- Find username of person performing the DELETE into table
SELECT USER() into vUser;
-- Insert record into audit table
INSERT into contacts_audit ( contact_id, deleted_date, deleted_by)
VALUES ( OLD.contact_id, SYSDATE(), vUser );
end;
//
```

Making an insert and then deleting the same to invoke the trigger:

```
delimiter;
```



```
insert into contacts values (1, "Bond", "Ruskin",
str_to_date ("19-08-1995", "%d-%m-%Y"),
str_to_date ("27-04-2018", "%d-%m-%Y"), "xyz");
delete from contacts where last_name="Bond";
```

Output:

```
select *from contacts_audit;

+-----+-----+-----+
| contact_id | deleted_date | deleted_by |
+-----+-----+-----+
|          1 | 2019-05-11   | root@localhost |
+-----+-----+-----+

1 row in set (0.0007 sec)
```

Q#3(b). After Delete Trigger:

As the name implies, this trigger is invoked after a delete occurs, or after a delete operation is implemented.

Example:

Consider the tables:

```
create table contacts (contact_id int (11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
last_name VARCHAR (30) NOT NULL, first_name VARCHAR (25),
birthday DATE, created_date DATE, created_by VARCHAR (30),
CONSTRAINT contacts_pk PRIMARY KEY (contact_id));
create table contacts_audit (contact_id integer, deleted_date date,
deleted_by varchar(20));
```

Trigger to insert contact_id and contact deletion-date/user information into contacts_audit record after a delete occurs:

```
create trigger contacts_after_delete
after delete
on contacts
for each row
begin
DECLARE vUser varchar(50);
-- Find username of person performing the DELETE into table
SELECT USER() into vUser;
-- Insert record into audit table
INSERT into contacts_audit ( contact_id, deleted_date, deleted_by)
VALUES ( OLD.contact_id, SYSDATE(), vUser );
end;
//
```

Making an insert and deleting the same to invoke the trigger:

```
delimiter;  
insert into contacts values (1, "Newton", "Isaac",  
str_to_date ("19-08-1985", "%d-%m-%Y"),  
str_to_date ("23-07-2018", "%d-%m-%Y"), "xyz");  
delete from contacts where first_name="Isaac";
```

Output:

```
select *from contacts_audit;
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+  
| contact_id | deleted_date | deleted_by      |  
+-----+-----+-----+  
|          1 | 2019-05-11   | root@localhost |  
+-----+-----+-----+
```

```
1 row in set (0.0009 sec)
```

Q#3(c) Explain in your own words Difference between Before Delete and After Delete ? (Minimum 5 - 10 lines) ?