

EXERCISE-1

Creating and Managing Tables

OBJECTIVE

After the completion of this exercise, students should be able to do the following:

- Create tables
- Describing the data types that can be used when specifying column definition
- Alter table definitions
- Drop, rename, and truncate tables

NAMING RULES

Table names and column names:

- Must begin with a letter
- Must be 1-30 characters long
- Must contain only A-Z, a-z, 0-9, _, \$, and #
- Must not duplicate the name of another object owned by the same user
- Must not be an oracle server reserve words
- 2 different tables should not have same name.
- Should specify a unique column name.
- Should specify proper data type along with width
- Can include "not null" condition when needed. By default it is 'null'.

The CREATE TABLE Statement

Table: Basic unit of storage; composed of rows and columns

Syntax: 1 Create table table_name (column_name1 data_type (size)
column_name2 data_type (size)...);

Syntax: 2 Create table table_name (column_name1 data_type (size) constraints,
column_name2 data_type constraints ...);

Example:

Create table employees (employee_id number(6), first_name varchar2(20), ..job_id varchar2(10),
CONSTRAINT emp_emp_id_pk PRIMARY KEY (employee_id));

Tables Used in this course

Creating a table by using a Sub query

SYNTAX

// CREATE TABLE table_name(column_name type(size)...);

Create table table_name as select column_name1,column_name2,.....colmn_namen from
table_name where predicate;

AS Subquery

Subquery is the select statement that defines the set of rows to be inserted into the new table.

Example

Create table dept80 as select employee_id, last_name, salary*12 Annsal, hire_date
from employees where dept_id=80;

The ALTER TABLE Statement

The ALTER statement is used to

- Add a new column
- Modify an existing column
- Define a default value to the new column
- Drop a column
- To include or drop integrity constraint.

SYNTAX

ALTER TABLE table_name ADD /MODIFY(Column_name type(size));

ALTER TABLE table_name DROP COLUMN (Column_name);

ALTER TABLE ADD CONSTRAINT Constraint_name PRIMARY KEY (Colum_Name);

Example:

Alter table dept80 add (jod_id varchar2(9));

Alter table dept80 modify (last_name varchar2(30));

Alter table dept80 drop column job_id;

NOTE: Once the column is dropped it cannot be recovered.

DROPPING A TABLE

- All data and structure in the table is deleted.
- Any pending transactions are committed.
- All indexes are dropped.
- Cannot roll back the drop table statement.

Syntax:

Drop table *tablename*;

Example:

Drop table dept80;

RENAMING A TABLE

To rename a table or view.

Syntax

RENAME old_name to new_name

Example:

Rename dept to detail_dept;

TRUNCATING A TABLE

Removes all rows from the table.

Releases the storage space used by that table.

Syntax

TRUNCATE TABLE *table_name*;

Example:

TRUNCATE TABLE copy_emp;

Find the Solution for the following:

Create the following tables with the given structure.

EMPLOYEES TABLE

| NAME | NULL? | TYPE |
|----------------|----------|-------------|
| Employee_id | Not null | Number(6) |
| First_Name | | Varchar(20) |
| Last_Name | Not null | Varchar(25) |
| Email | Not null | Varchar(25) |
| Phone_Number | | Varchar(20) |
| Hire_date | Not null | Date |
| Job_id | Not null | Varchar(10) |
| Salary | | Number(8,2) |
| Commission_pct | | Number(2,2) |
| Manager_id | | Number(6) |
| Department_id | | Number(4) |

DEPARTMENT TABLE

| NAME | NULL? | TYPE |
|-------------|----------|-------------|
| Dept_id | Not null | Number(6) |
| Dept_name | Not null | Varchar(20) |
| Manager_id | | Number(6) |
| Location_id | | Number(4) |

JOB_GRADE TABLE

| NAME | NULL? | TYPE |
|-------------|-------|------------|
| Grade_level | | Varchar(2) |
| Lowest_sal | | Number |

| | |
|-------------|--------|
| Highest sal | Number |
|-------------|--------|

LOCATION TABLE

| NAME | NULL? | TYPE |
|----------------|----------|-------------|
| Location id | Not null | Number(4) |
| St addr | | Varchar(40) |
| Postal code | | Varchar(12) |
| City | Not null | Varchar(30) |
| State province | | Varchar(25) |
| Country id | | Char(2) |

1. Create the DEPT table based on the DEPARTMENT following the table instance chart below. Confirm that the table is created.

| | | |
|--------------|--------|----------|
| Column name | ID | NAME |
| Key Type | | |
| Nulls/Unique | | |
| FK table | | |
| FK column | | |
| Data Type | Number | Varchar2 |
| Length | 7 | 25 |

```
CREATE TABLE DEPTC ID NUMBER(7) CONSTRAINT
dept-id-PK Primary key, Name Varchar(25) Not Null);
```

2. Create the EMP table based on the following instance chart. Confirm that the table is created.

| | | | | |
|--------------|--------|-----------|------------|---------|
| Column name | ID | LAST_NAME | FIRST_NAME | DEPT_ID |
| Key Type | | | | |
| Nulls/Unique | | | | |
| FK table | | | | |
| FK column | | | | |
| Data Type | Number | Varchar2 | Varchar2 | Number |
| Length | 7 | 25 | 25 | 7 |

```
CREATE TABLE EMPC ID NUMBER(7) CONSTRAINT EMP-ID-PK
Primary key, Last-Name Varchar(25) Not Null, First-Name
Varchar(25), DEPT-ID Number(7), CONSTRAINT emp-dept-fk Foreign
key(DEPT-ID) REFERENCES DEPT(ID));
```

3. Modify the EMP table to allow for longer employee last names. Confirm the modification. (Hint: Increase the size to 50)

```
ALTER TABLE EMP modify LAST-NAME Varchar(50);
```

4. Create the EMPLOYEES2 table based on the structure of EMPLOYEES table. Include Only the Employee_id, First_name, Last_name, Salary and Dept_id columns. Name the columns Id, First_name, Last_name, salary and Dept_id respectively.

```
CREATE TABLE employees2 AS SELECT Employee_id AS  
ID, first_name, last_name, salary, department_id AS dept_id
```

5. Drop the EMP table. FROM Employees;

```
Drop table employees;
```

6. Rename the EMPLOYEES2 table as EMP.

```
RENAMEM employees2 TO EMP;
```

7. Add a comment on DEPT and EMP tables. Confirm the modification by describing the table.

```
comment on TABLE EMP is 'Employee details  
table linked to DEPT table via department ID';
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8. Drop the First_name column from the EMP table and confirm it.

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ALTER TABLE EMP DROP COLUMN First Name;
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| Evaluation Procedure | Marks awarded |
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| Execution (5) | |
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