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TNTRODUCTION

This section of the "User's Guide" introduces the SQL facilities for query, data manipulation, data definition and data control through a series of examples. The examples are based on the following database:

EMP	EMPNO ENAME JOB SAL COMM DEPTNO
DEPT	DEPTNO DNAME LOC EMPCNT
BONUS	ENAME JOB SAL COMM

The EMP table contains information on employees, giving the employee's number, name, job title, salary, commission, and department number. The department table gives the department's number, name, location, and a count of the employees in the department. The BONUS table contains an extract of the information in the EMP table. Through the course of the examples, the EMP table is expanded to contain a project number column and a supervisor column, and two new tables are added. The PROJ table contains columns for the project number, name, and budget. The PE table relates projects to employees where one project can have many employees, and one employee can be working on many projects. The expanded EMP table and the two added tables are as follows:

The examples in this section of the documentation were produced by executing the ORACLE User Friendly Interface (UFI) and capturing the output in hard-copy form. The actual output has been post-processed to add page numbers and to remove the SQL prompts at the beginning of each line. The command file which produces this output is provided with each ORACLE installation. It contains the comments interspersed with the SQL statements. This section of the documentation serves as a self-tutorial in the facilities of SQL as implemented in ORACLE.

ORACLE accepts SQL statements in free format. The arrangement of each SQL clause on a separate line and indentation in the following examples is used for clarity only.

1. DATA BASE CONTENTS

This section of the manual describes the structure and content of the example PERSONNEL data base.

1.1 Dictionary Contents

ORACLE's integrated data dictionary can be queried using standard SQL query facilities.

Example 1-1: List the names of the user tables in the data base.

SQL>SELECT TABLE SQL>FROM TAB; SQL>/

TABLE

EMP

DEPT

BONUS

```
Example 1-2: List the names of the columns of the department and employee tables.
```

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM COL
SQL>WHERE TABLE = 'DEPT';
SQL>/

TABLE COLUMN

----DEPT DEPTNO
DEPT DNAME
DEPT LOC
DEPT EMPCNT

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM COL

SQL>WHERE TABLE = 'EMP';

SQL>/

6 records selected.

1.2 Data Base Contents

Example 1-3: List all the columns and rows of the DEPT table.

SQL>SELECT * FROM DEPT; SQL>/

DEPTNO	DNAME	LOC	EMPCNT
10	ADMINISTRATION	NEW YORK	
20	RESEARCH	SAN FRANCISCO	
30	SALES	CHICAGO	
40	OPERATIONS	BOSTON	

Example 1-4: List all the columns and rows of the EMP table.

SQL>SELECT * FROM EMP; SQL>/

14 records selected.

2. QUERY FACILITIES

This section of the manual contains a description of the query facilities of ORACLE.

2.1 Query Block

The SELECT clause lists the columns to be returned. The FROM clause lists the tables involved in the query. The WHERE clause specifies the selection criteria.

Example 2-1: Find the name of department 10.

SQL>SELECT DNAME SOL>FROM DEPT

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO=10;

SQL>/

DNAME

ADMINISTRATION

The SELECT clause can contain several columns. Character string constants are enclosed by single quotation marks.

Example 2-2: List the names, numbers, and departments of all clerks.

SOL>SELECT ENAME, EMPNO, DEPTNO

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE JOB = 'CLERK';

SQL>/

ENAME	EMPNO	DEPTNO
SMITH	7369	20
ADAMS	7876	20
MILLER	7934	10
JAMES	7900	30

If all columns of the row are to be returned, SELECT * is specified.

Example 2-3: List all the columns in the employee table for employees in department 30.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30;

SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO
7499	ALLEN	SALESMAN	\$1,600.00	\$300.00	30
7521	WARD	SALESMAN	\$1,250.00	\$500.00	30
7698	BLAKE	MANAGER	\$2,850.00		30
7654	MARTIN	SALESMAN	\$1,250.00	\$1,400.00	30
7844	TURNER	SALESMAN	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	30
7900	JAMES	CLERK	\$950.00		30

6 records selected.

The WHERE clause can compare two fields of a row with each other.

Example 2-4: List the name, salary, and commission of each employee whose commission is greater than his salary.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE COMM > SAL;

SQL>/

ENAME SAL COMM
----MARTIN \$1,250.00 \$1,400.00

The absence of a WHERE clause causes all rows to be returned.

Example 2-5: List all columns and all rows in the DEPT table.

SQL>SELECT *

SQL>FROM DEPT;

SQL>/

DEPTNO	DNAME	LOC	EMPCNT
	ADMINISTRATION	NEW YORK	
20	RESEARCH	SAN FRANCISCO	
30	SALES	CHICAGO	
40	OPERATIONS	BOSTON	

2.2 Logical Expressions

Predicates within the WHERE clause may be connected by the boolean operators, AND and OR.

Example 2-6: List the name, job title, and salary of all employees in department 20 that make more than \$2,000.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, SAL

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 20 SQL> AND SAL > 2000;

SQL>/

ENAME	JOB	SAL
JONES	MANAGER	\$2,975.00
SCOTT	ANALYST	\$3,000.00
FORD	ANALYST	\$3,000.00

The BETWEEN operator simplifies the syntax for specifying a range. The predicates SAL >= 1200 AND SAL <= 1400 are simplified to SAL BETWEEN 1200 AND 1400.

Example 2-7: List the name, job title, and salary of all employees who earn between \$1,200 AND \$1,400.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, SAL

SOL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE SAL BETWEEN 1200 AND 1400;

SQL>/

ENAME JOB SAL

WARD SALESMAN \$1,250.00

MARTIN SALESMAN \$1,250.00

MILLER CLERK \$1,300.00

Example 2-8: List the name, job, salary, and commission of each employee whose job title begins with MAN or whose salary is greater than 3000 a month.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, SAL, COMM SQL>FROM EMP SQL>WHERE JOB = 'MAN...' SQL> OR SAL > 3000;

SQL>/

ENAME JOB SAL COMM

----JONES MANAGER \$2,975.00

BLAKE MANAGER \$2,850.00

CLARK MANAGER \$2,450.00

OATES PRESIDENT \$5,000.00

Example 2-9: List the department number, name, job title, salary and commission of each employee in department 30 whose salary is greater than his commission.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO, ENAME, JOB, SAL, COMM

SOL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE SAL > COMM SQL> AND DEPTNO = 30;

SQL>/

DEPTNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM
30	ALLEN	SALESMAN	\$1,600.00	\$300.00
	WARD	SALESMAN	\$1,250.00	\$500.00
	TURNER	SALESMAN	\$1,500.00	\$0.00

Predicates within a WHERE clause form logical expressions with square brackets [] used to establish precedence.

Example 2-10: List the department number, name, job title, salary, and commission of all analysts, or all people in department 10 who earn more than \$2,500.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO, ENAME, JOB, SAL, COMM

SQL>FROM EMP

SOL>WHERE JOB = 'ANALYST'

SQL OR [SAL > 2500 AND DEPTNO = 10];

SQL>/

DEPTNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM
20	FORD	ANALYST ANALYST PRESIDENT	\$3,000.00 \$3,000.00 \$5,000.00	

Example 2-11: List the department number, name, job title, salary, and commission of employees in department 10 who are either analysts or earn more than \$2,500.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO, ENAME, JOB, SAL, COMM

SOL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE [JOB = 'ANALYST'

 \overline{SQL} OR $\overline{SAL} > 2500$] AND DEPTNO = 10;

SQL>/

DEPTNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM
10	OATES	PRESIDENT	\$5,000.00	

2.3 Not Conditions

Predicates within a WHERE clause may be negated.

Example 2-12: List the name, salary, commission, job title, and department number of employees in department 30 who are not a salesman.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM, JOB, DEPTNO SOL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE JOB ^= 'SALESMAN'

SQL> AND DEPTNO = 30;

SQL>/

ENAME	SAL	COMM	JOB	DEPTNO
BLAKE	\$2,850.00		MANAGER	30
JAMES	\$950.00		CLERK	30

Entire logical expressions may be negated.

Example 2-13: List the name, salary, commission, job title, and department number of employees in department 30 who are not a salesman or do not earn more than \$1,500.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM, JOB, DEPTNO
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE NOT [JOB = 'SALESMAN' OR SAL > 1500]
SQL> AND DEPTNO = 30;
SQL>/

ENAME	SAL	COMM	JOB	DEPTNO
JAMES	\$950.00		CLERK	30

2.4 Set Inclusion Operator

A predicate in a WHERE clause may test a field for inclusion in a set of constant literal values. A set of constant literal values is enclosed within angle brackets < >.

Example 2-14: List the name and department number of employees in departments 10 and 30.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, DEPTNO SOL>FROM EMP

SOL>WHERE DEPTNO IN <10,30>;

SQL>/

ENAME DEPTNO _____ CLARK 10 MILLER 10 OATES 10 30 ALLEN 30 WARD 30 BLAKE 30 MARTIN TURNER 30 30 JAMES

9 records selected.

Example 2-15: List all fields from the department table for departments that are located in either Chicago or New York.

SQL>SELECT *
SOL>FROM DEPT

SQL>WHERE LOC IN < 'CHICAGO', 'NEW YORK'>;

SOL>/

DEPTNO DNAME LOC EMPCNT

30 SALES CHICAGO 10 ADMINISTRATION NEW YORK

2.5 Nested Query

The result of one query may be used in the WHERE clause of another query. The inner query returns one or a set of values. The outer query uses this result as if it were given a set of constant literal values. Query blocks may be nested to any number of levels.

Example 2-16: List the name and job of employees who have the same job as Jones.

```
SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB
SOL>FROM
          EMP
          JOB IN
SQL>WHERE
                  JOB
          SELECT
SQL>
          FROM
                  EMP
SOL>
          WHERE ENAME = 'JONES';
SOL>
SQL>/
ENAME JOB
_____
JONES MANAGER
BLAKE MANAGER
CLARK MANAGER
```

Example 2-17: List the name, job title, and salary of employees who have the same job and salary as Ford.

```
SOL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, SAL
           EMP
SQL>FROM
           \langle JOB, SAL \rangle =
SOL>WHERE
           SELECT JOB, SAL
SQL>
          FROM
                  EMP
SQL>
           WHERE ENAME = 'FORD';
SQL>
SQL>/
                       SAL
ENAME JOB
_____
SCOTT ANALYST $3,000.00
                $3,000.00
```

FORD ANALYST

Inner query blocks may be connected by the boolean operators AND and OR to form compound nested queries.

Example 2-18: List the name, job, and department of employees who have the same job as Jones, or a salary greater than or equal to Ford.

SQL>SEL SQL>FRO SQL>WHE SQL> SQL> SQL> SQL>OR SQL> SQL> SQL> SQL>	OM CRE	EMP JOB IN SELECT FROM WHERE	JOB EMP ENAME	=	'JONES'; 'FORD';
ENAME	JOB		DEPTNO		SAL
JONES BLAKE CLARK SCOTT OATES FORD	MANA MANA MANA ANAL PRES ANAL	GER GER YST IDENT	20 30 10 20 10 20	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	2,975.00 2,850.00 2,450.00 3,000.00 5,000.00

⁶ records selected.

2.6 ORDER BY

The ORDER BY clause specifies major and minor sort fields in ascending or descending order. Ascending order is default.

Example 2-19: List the name, job, department, and employee number of employees in a department whose number is greater than or equal to 20, in order of employee name.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, DEPTNO, EMPNO
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO >= 20
SQL>ORDER BY ENAME;
SQL>/

ENAME	JOB	DEPTNO	EMPNO
ADAMS	CLERK	20	7876
ALLEN	SALESMAN	30	7499
BLAKE	MANAGER	30	7698
FORD	ANALYST	20	7902
JAMES	CLERK	30	7900
JONES	MANAGER	20	7566
MARTIN	SALESMAN	[~] 30	7654
SCOTT	ANALYST	20	7788
SMITH	CLERK	20	7369
TURNER	SALESMAN	30	7844
WARD	SALESMAN	30	7521

11 records selected.

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Example 2-20: List the department, salary, name, and job of all employees, in descending order by salary, ascending order by job within salary, and ascending order by name within job.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO, SAL, JOB, ENAME SQL>FROM EMP SQL>ORDER BY SAL DESC, JOB, ENAME; SQL>/

DEPTNO	SAL	JOB	ENAME
10 20 20 20 30 10 30 30 10 30	\$5,000.00 \$3,000.00 \$3,000.00 \$2,975.00 \$2,850.00 \$2,450.00 \$1,600.00 \$1,500.00 \$1,300.00 \$1,250.00	PRESIDENT ANALYST ANALYST MANAGER MANAGER MANAGER SALESMAN SALESMAN CLERK SALESMAN	OATES FORD SCOTT JONES BLAKE CLARK ALLEN TURNER MILLER MARTIN WARD
30 20 30 20	\$1,250.00 \$1,100.00 \$950.00 \$800.00	SALESMAN CLERK CLERK CLERK	ADAMS JAMES SMITH
20	750000		

14 records selected.

Expressions can be specified within the ORDER BY clause.

Example 2-21: List all salesman in ascending order of the ratio of their salary divided by their commission.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL/COMM, SAL, COMM
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE JOB = 'SALESMAN'
SQL>ORDER BY SAL/COMM
SQL>/

ENAME	SAL/COMM	SAL	COMM
MARTIN WARD ALLEN TURNER	.893	\$1,250.00	\$1,400.00
	2.500	\$1,250.00	\$500.00
	5.333	\$1,600.00	\$300.00
	~.000	\$1,500.00	\$0.00

2.7 UNIQUE

A query returns a set of rows that satisfy the WHERE clause. Duplicate rows are not eliminated unless SELECT UNIQUE is specified.

Example 2-22: List all the different jobs in the job table.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE JOB SQL>FROM EMP; SQL>/

JOB

CLERK SALESMAN MANAGER ANALYST PRESIDENT

If a WHERE clause has multiple predicates connected by an OR, there exists the possibility that a single row may satisfy both predicates and be returned twice in the query result. UNIQUE specified within the SELECT clause eliminates this duplication.

Example 2-23: List the name and job of employees who are in department 30, or employees who are managers. Sort by employee name.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, DEPTNO SQL>FROM EMP SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30 SQL> OR JOB = 'MANAGER' SQL>ORDER BY ENAME; SQL>/

ENAME	JOB	DEPTNO
ALLEN	SALESMAN	30
BLAKE	MANAGER	30
BLAKE	MANAGER	30
CLARK	MANAGER	10
JAMES	CLERK	30
JONES	MANAGER	20
MARTIN	SALESMAN	30
TURNER	SALESMAN	30
WARD	SALESMAN	30

9 records selected.

Example 2-24: List the name and job of employees who are in department 30 or, employees who are managers. Eliminate duplicate rows and sort the result by employee name.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE ENAME, JOB, DEPTNO
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30
SQL> OR JOB = 'MANAGER'
SQL>ORDER BY ENAME;
SQL>/

ENAME	JOB	DEPTNO
ALLEN	SALESMAN	30
BLAKE	MANAGER	30
CLARK	MANAGER	10
JAMES	CLERK	30
JONES	MANAGER	20
MARTIN	SALESMAN	30
TURNER	SALESMAN	30
WARD	SALESMAN	30

8 records selected.

Example 2-25: List the salary, job title, name, and department number for all employees in departments that have salesmen. Sort the results by salary in descending order.

SQL>SELECT SAL, JOB, ENAME, DEPTNO
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO IN
SQL> SELECT UNIQUE DEPTNO
SQL> FROM EMP
SQL> WHERE JOB = 'SALESMAN';
SQL>ORDER BY SAL DESC;
SQL>/

SAL	JOB	ENAME	DEPTNO
\$2,850.00	MANAGER	BLAKE	30
\$1,600.00	SALESMAN	ALLEN	30
\$1,500.00		TURNER	30
\$1,250.00		WARD	30
\$1,250.00	SALESMAN	MARTIN	30
\$950.00		JAMES	30
7930.00	022	_	

6 records selected.

2.8 Arithmetic Expressions

The SELECT, WHERE, and HAVING clauses may all contain arithmetic expressions containing fields and constants.

Example 2-26: List the name, salary, commission, and sum of salary plus commission of employees in department 30.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM, SAL + COMM
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30;
SOL>/

ENAME	SAL	COMM	SAL+COMM
ALLEN WARD	\$1,600.00 \$1,250.00	\$300.00 \$500.00	\$1,900.00 \$1,750.00
BLAKE MARTIN TURNER	\$2,850.00 \$1,250.00 \$1,500.00	\$1,400.00	\$2,650.00 \$1,500.00
JAMES	\$950.00		•

6 records selected.

Example 2-27: List the name, salary, and commission of employees whose commission is greater than or equal to 25% of their salary.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE COMM >= 0.25 * SAL;
SQL>/

ENAME SAL COMM
----WARD \$1,250.00 \$500.00
MARTIN \$1,250.00 \$1,400.00

Parentheses are used to establish precedence within arithmetic expressions.

Example 2-28: List the name, salary, commission, and 1.25 times salary plus two-thirds of the commission of all salesmen.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM, ((SAL * 1.25) + (COMM * (2/3)))
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE JOB = 'SALES...';
SQL>/

ENAME	SAL	COMM	((SAL*1.25)+(COMM*(2/3)))
ALLEN	\$1,600.00	\$300.00	\$2,200.00
WARD	\$1,250.00	\$500.00	\$1,895.83
MARTIN	\$1,250.00	\$1,400.00	\$2,495.83
TURNER	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,875.00

2.9 Built-In Functions

ORACLE provides several built-in functions that may be used in either SELECT or HAVING clauses.

Example 2-29: Find the average salary of all employees who are clerks.

```
SQL>SELECT
            AVG (SAL)
            EMP
SQL>FROM
            JOB = 'CLERK';
SOL>WHERE
SOL>/
  AVG(SAL)
 $1,037.50
               Find the maximum, average, and minimum salary
Example 2-30:
               of employees in department 10.
SQL>SELECT MAX(SAL), AVG(SAL), MIN(SAL)
            EMP
SQL>FROM
            DEPTNO = 10;
SQL>WHERE
SQL>/
  MAX(SAL) AVG(SAL)
                      MIN(SAL)
$5,000.00 $2,916.67
                      $1,300.00
Example 2-31: Find the sum of all salesmen's commissions.
SQL>SELECT
            SUM (COMM)
SQL>FROM
            EMP
SQL>WHERE
            JOB = 'SALESMAN';
SQL>/
SUM (COMM)
$2,200.00
```

Example 2-32: Find the number of employees in department 30.

SQL>SELECT COUNT(*)

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30;

SQL>/

COUNT(*)

-----6

Built-in functions can be used in arithmetic expressions.

Example 2-33: Compute the average annual salary plus commission for all salesmen.

SQL>SELECT AVG(SAL + COMM) * 12

SOL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE JOB = 'SALESMAN'

SQL>/

AVG(SAL+COMM) *12

\$23,400.00

ORACLE allows functions to be applied to the results of other built-in functions.

Example 2-34: List the name, job, and salary of the employee who has the largest salary.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, SAL

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE SAL =

SQL> SELECT MAX(SAL)

SQL> FROM EMP;

SQL>/

ENAME JOB SAL

OATES PRESIDENT \$5,000.00

2.10 GROUP-BY

A table may be partitioned into groups according to the values in a column or set of columns. A built-in function may then be applied to each group. When a built-in function is used, each item in the SELECT clause must be a unique property of the group.

Example 2-35: List the department number and average salary of each department.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO, AVG(SAL)
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>GROUP BY DEPTNO;
SOL>/

DEPTNO AVG(SAL) 10 \$2,916.67 20 \$2,175.00 30 \$1,566.67

Example 2-36: List the department number and average annual salary of each departments employees, excluding managers salaries.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO, AVG(SAL) * 12 SQL>FROM EMP SQL>WHERE NOT JOB = 'MAN...' SQL>GROUP BY DEPTNO; SQL>/

DEPTNO AVG(SAL) *12

10 \$37,800.00

20 \$23,700.00

30 \$15,720.00

A table can be partitioned into groups based on the values in more than one column.

groups into Divide all employees Example 2-37: department, and by job within department. Count the employees in each group and compute each group's average salary.

DEPTNO, JOB, COUNT(*), AVG(SAL) * 12 SQL>SELECT EMP SQL>FROM SOL>GROUP BY DEPTNO, JOB; SQL>/

DEPTNO	JOB	COUNT(*)	AVG(SAL)*12
10	CLERK	1	\$15,600.00
10	MANAGER	1	\$29,400.00
10	PRESIDENT	1	\$60,000.00
	ANALYST	2	\$36,000.00
	CLERK	2	\$11,400.00
	MANAGER	1	\$35,700.00
	CLERK	1	\$11,400.00
	MANAGER	1	\$34,200.00
	SALESMAN	4	\$16,800.00
50			

9 records selected.

Built-in functions can be applied to the results of other group functions to form functions of functions.

Total the salaries of all the departments and Example 2-38: list the department with the maximum total.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO, MAX(SUM(SAL)) EMP SQL>FROM SQL>GROUP BY DEPTNO; SQL>/

DEPTNO MAX(SUM(SAL))

30 \$10,875.00

2.11 **HAVING**

After a table has been partitioned into groups, a predicate or set of predicates in a HAVING clause can be applied to the groups.

Example 2-39: List the average annual salary for all job groups having more than 2 employees in the group.

SQL>SELECT JOB, AVG(SAL) * 12 SQL>FROM EMP SQL>GROUP BY JOB SQL>HAVING COUNT(*) > 2; SQL>/

JOB AVG(SAL) *12
-----CLERK \$12,450.00
MANAGER \$33,100.00
SALESMAN \$16,800.00

A query block may contain both a WHERE and HAVING clause. First, the WHERE clause is applied to qualify rows; second, the groups are formed and the built-in functions are computed; third, the HAVING clause is applied to qualify groups.

Example 2-40: List all the departments that have more than two clerks.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE JOB = 'CLERK'
SQL>GROUP BY DEPTNO
SQL>HAVING COUNT(*) >= 2;
SQL>/

DEPTNO

20

HAVING clauses may contain query blocks.

Example 2-41: List the departments and their average salary that have a greater average salary than department 20.

```
SQL>SELECT DEPTNO, AVG(SAL)
           EMP
SQL>FROM
SQL>GROUP BY DEPTNO
SQL>HAVING AVG(SAL) >
           SELECT AVG(SAL)
SQL>
           FROM
                    EMP
SQL>
                   DEPTNO = 20;
           WHERE
SOL>
SQL>/
DEPTNO AVG(SAL)
   10 $2,916.67
```

2.12 NULL Conditions

Predicates within a WHERE clause can explicitly test for null conditions within a column.

Example 2-42: List the name, salary, commission and job title of all employees who do not receive commissions.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM, JOB SQL>FROM EMP SQL>WHERE COMM = NULL; SQL>/

CMITH \$800.00 CLERK	ENAME	SAL	COMM	JOB
JONES \$2,975.00 MANAGER BLAKE \$2,850.00 MANAGER CLARK \$2,450.00 MANAGER SCOTT \$3.000.00 ANALYST	BLAKE CLARK SCOTT OATES ADAMS JAMES FORD	\$2,850.00 \$2,450.00 \$3,000.00 \$5,000.00 \$1,100.00 \$950.00 \$3,000.00		MANAGER MANAGER MANAGER ANALYST PRESIDENT CLERK CLERK ANALYST

10 records selected.

Example 2-43: List the name, salary, commission, and job title of those employees who receive a commission.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM, JOB SQL>FROM EMP SQL>WHERE NOT COMM = NULL; SQL>/

ENAME	SAL	COMM	JOB
ALLEN WARD MARTIN TURNER	\$1,600.00 \$1,250.00 \$1,250.00 \$1,500.00	\$500.00 \$1,400.00	SALESMAN SALESMAN SALESMAN SALESMAN

Example 2-44: If a predicate within a WHERE or HAVING clause can be expressed without using NOT or NULL, it is usually more efficient.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM, JOB SQL>FROM EMP SQL>WHERE COMM >= 0; SQL>/

ENAME	SAL	COMM	JOB
ALLEN	\$1,600.00	\$500.00	SALESMAN
WARD	\$1,250.00		SALESMAN
MARTIN	\$1,250.00		SALESMAN
TURNER	\$1,500.00		SALESMAN

Null values in the data base are treated as unknowns in the evaluation of logical expressions. Only those rows that are known to satisfy the WHERE clause are returned as the result of a query.

Example 2-45: List all columns of the employee table for employees in department 30 or employees whose commission is less than or equal to \$1,000.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30
SQL> AND COMM <= 1000;
SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO
7521	******	SALESMAN SALESMAN SALESMAN	\$1,600.00 \$1,250.00 \$1,500.00	\$300.00 \$500.00 \$0.00	30 30 30

Example 2-46: List all the columns of the employee table for employees in department 30 or employees whose commission is less than or equal to \$1,000.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30
SQL> OR COMM <= 1000;
SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO
7698 7654 7844 7900	MARTIN TURNER JAMES ALLEN	SALESMAN SALESMAN MANAGER SALESMAN SALESMAN CLERK SALESMAN SALESMAN SALESMAN	\$1,600.00 \$1,250.00 \$2,850.00 \$1,250.00 \$1,500.00 \$950.00 \$1,600.00 \$1,250.00 \$1,500.00	\$300.00 \$500.00 \$1,400.00 \$0.00 \$300.00 \$500.00 \$0.00	30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30

⁹ records selected.

2.13 NULL-Function

When an expression or built-in function references a column of a table that contains one or more null values, the result of the expression or built-in function is null.

Example 2-47: In the following example the expression SAL + COMM returns a null value for all employees that have a null commmission.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, SAL, COMM, SAL + COMM

SQL>FROM EMP

SOL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30

SOL>/

ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	SAL+COMM
ALLEN	SALESMAN	\$1,600.00	\$300.00 \$500.00	\$1,900.00 \$1,750.00
WARD BLAKE	SALESMAN MANAGER	\$1,250.00 \$2,850.00	\$1,400.00	\$2,650.00
MARTIN TURNER	SALESMAN SALESMAN	\$1,250.00 \$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
JAMES	CLERK	\$950.00		

6 records selected.

The ORACLE Null-Value Function NVL can be used to assign a temporary value to nulls encountered within an expression.

Example 2-48: Assign null commissions a temporary value of zero within the expression SAL + COMM.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, SAL, COMM, SAL + NVL(COMM, 0)

SOL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30

SQL>/

ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	SAL+NVL(COMM,0)
	SALESMAN SALESMAN MANAGER SALESMAN SALESMAN CLERK	\$1,600.00 \$1,250.00 \$2,850.00 \$1,250.00 \$1,500.00 \$950.00	\$300.00 \$500.00 \$1,400.00 \$0.00	\$1,900.00 \$1,750.00 \$2,850.00 \$2,650.00 \$1,500.00 \$950.00

6 records selected.

The expression SAL + NVL(COMM,0) will return a value equal to SAL when COMM is null.

Example 2-49: Null values do not participate in the computation of built-in functions.

SQL>SELECT SUM(SAL), COUNT(SAL), SUM(COMM), COUNT(COMM)

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30

SOL>/

In the above example the count of people who receive a salary, (4), is greater than the number of people that receive a commission, (6), because null commissions were not counted.

Example 2-50: List the average commission of employees who receive a commission, and the average commission of all employees (treating employees who do not receive a commission as receiving a zero commission).

SOL>SELECT AVG(COMM), AVG(NVL(COMM,0))

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30

SQL>/

AVG(COMM) AVG(NVL(COMM,0))
-----\$550.00 \$366.67

Example 2-51: List the average commission of employees who receive a commission, and the average commission of all employees (treating employees who do not receive a commission as receiving a \$1000 commission).

SQL>SELECT AVG(COMM), AVG(NVL(COMM, 1000))

SOL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30

SQL>/

AVG(COMM) AVG(NVL(COMM,1000))
----\$550.00 \$700.00

Example 2-52: For department 30, list the average salary of employees that receive a salary, the average commission of employees that receive a commission, the average salary plus commission of only those employees that receive a commission, and average salary plus commission of all employees including those who do not receive a commission.

SQL>SELECT AVG(SAL), AVG(COMM), AVG(SAL+COMM), AVG(SAL+NVL(COMM,0))
SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30

SQL>/

2.14 Join Query

A query may return values from more than one table. The FROM clause may list several tables. The WHERE clause specifies the relationship on which the tables are to be joined.

Example 2-53: List the names of all employees and the locations of their departments.

SQL>SELECT ENAME,LOC SQL>FROM EMP,DEPT SQL>WHERE EMP.DEPTNO = DEPT.DEPTNO; SQL>/

ENAME LOC

_____ CLARK NEW YORK MILLER NEW YORK OATES NEW YORK SMITH SAN FRANCISCO JONES SAN FRANCISCO ADAMS SAN FRANCISCO SCOTT SAN FRANCISCO SAN FRANCISCO FORD ALLEN CHICAGO CHICAGO WARD BLAKE CHICAGO MARTIN CHICAGO TURNER CHICAGO JAMES CHICAGO

14 records selected.

Example 2-54: List names of employees and all the fields of the department table for employees in departments located in Chicago.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, DEPT.*

SQL>FROM EMP, DEPT

SQL>WHERE EMP.DEPTNO = DEPT.DEPTNO

SQL> AND LOC = 'CHICAGO';

SQL>/

ENAME	DEPTNO	DNAME	LOC	EMPCNT
ALLEN WARD BLAKE MARTIN TURNER JAMES	30 30 30 30	SALES SALES SALES SALES SALES SALES	CHICAGO CHICAGO CHICAGO CHICAGO CHICAGO CHICAGO	

6 records selected.

Predicates in a WHERE clause may compare data values in columns from any number of tables in a join query.

Example 2-55: List the names and jobs of employees who are not salesmen and work for departments that are located in Chicago.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, LOC
SQL>FROM DEPT, EMP
SQL>WHERE EMP.DEPTNO=DEPT.DEPTNO
SQL> AND LOC = 'CHICAGO'
SQL> AND JOB ^= 'SALESMAN';
SOL>/

ENAME JOB LOC
----BLAKE MANAGER CHICAGO
JAMES CLERK CHICAGO

Example 2-56: List the name, location, salary, job of employees located in Chicago who have the same job as Allen. Sort the results by employee name.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, LOC, SAL, JOB SQL>FROM EMP, DEPT LOC = 'CHICAGO' SQL>WHERE EMP.DEPTNO = DEPT.DEPTNO SQL> AND JOB = SQL> AND JOB SELECT SQL> **EMP** FROM SQL> ENAME = 'ALLEN'; WHERE SQL> SQL>ORDER BY ENAME; SOL>/

ENAME	LOC	SAL	JOB
ALLEN OMARTIN OF TURNER OF WARD	CHICAGO CHICAGO	\$1,600.00 \$1,250.00 \$1,500.00 \$1,250.00	SALESMAN SALESMAN

2.15 Self-Join

A table may be joined with itself by listing the same table more than once in the FROM clause and associating a temporary label with each table. This label is used in place of the table name in qualifying references to columns within the SELECT and FROM clauses in the query block.

Example 2-57: For each employee whose salary exceeds his department's managers's salary, list the employee's name and salary and the manager's name and salary. Within the context of this query, the EMP table is treated logically as if it were two separate tables named WORKER and MGR. However, the EMP table is "not" physically duplicated.

SQL>SELECT WORKER.ENAME, WORKER.SAL, MGR.ENAME, MGR.SAL
SQL>FROM EMP WORKER, EMP MGR
SQL>WHERE WORKER.DEPTNO = MGR.DEPTNO
SQL> AND [MGR.JOB = 'MANAGER' AND WORKER.SAL > MGR.SAL];
SQL>/

ENAME	SAL	ENAME	SAL
SCOTT FORD	\$3,000.00		\$2,975.00 \$2,975.00
OATES	\$5,000.00		\$2,450.00

2.16 Outer-Join

When the DEPT table is joined to the EMP table using the join predicate DEPT.DEPTNO = EMP.DEPTNO, a department without any employees would not satisfy the join and would not be returned as a result of the query.

Example 2-58: List all the departments in the DEPT table.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM DEPT
SQL>/

DEPTNO DNAME LOC EMPCNT

10 ADMINISTRATION NEW YORK

20 RESEARCH SAN FRANCISCO

30 SALES CHICAGO

40 OPERATIONS BOSTON

Example 2-59: List all the employees in the EMP table.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO, ENAME, JOB

SOL>FROM EMP

SOL>ORDER BY DEPTNO

SQL>/

DEPTNO ENAME JOB

- 10 CLARK MANAGER
- 10 OATES PRESIDENT
- 10 MILLER CLERK
- 20 SMITH CLERK
- 20 JONES MANAGER
- 20 SCOTT ANALYST
- 20 ADAMS CLERK
- 20 FORD ANALYST
- 30 ALLEN SALESMAN
- 30 WARD SALESMAN
- 30 MARTIN SALESMAN
- 30 BLAKE MANAGER
- 30 TURNER SALESMAN
- 30 JAMES CLERK
- 14 records selected.

Example 2-60: Join the DEPT table to the EMP table.

SQL>SELECT DEPT.DEPTNO,DNAME,LOC,ENAME,JOB SOL>FROM DEPT,EMP

SQL>FROM DEPT, EMP SQL>WHERE DEPT.DEPTNO = EMP.DEPTNO

SQL>/

DEPTNO	DNAME	LOC	ENAME	JOB
10 10 20 20 20 20 30 30 30 30 30	ADMINISTRATION ADMINISTRATION ADMINISTRATION RESEARCH RESEARCH RESEARCH RESEARCH SALES SALES SALES SALES SALES SALES SALES SALES SALES	NEW YORK NEW YORK NEW YORK SAN FRANCISCO SAN FRANCISCO SAN FRANCISCO SAN FRANCISCO CHICAGO	CLARK MILLER OATES SMITH JONES ADAMS SCOTT FORD ALLEN WARD BLAKE MARTIN TURNER JAMES	MANAGER CLERK PRESIDENT CLERK MANAGER CLERK ANALYST ANALYST SALESMAN SALESMAN MANAGER SALESMAN SALESMAN CLERK

14 records selected.

The result of this join does not include department 40 because department 40 does not have any employees. An "outer-join", will return those department rows that have no matching employees.

Example 2-61: List all departments that have employees, plus those departments that do not have employees.

SQL>SELECT DEPT.DEPTNO, DNAME, LOC, ENAME, JOB

SOL>FROM DEPT, EMP*

SQL>WHERE DEPT.DEPTNO = EMP.DEPTNO

SQL>/

DEPTNO	DNAME	LOC		ENAME	JOB
10	ADMINISTRATION	NEW	YORK	CLARK	MANAGER
10	ADMINISTRATION	NEW	YORK	MILLER	CLERK
10	ADMINISTRATION	NEW	YORK	OATES	PRESIDENT
20	RESEARCH	SAN	FRANCISCO	SMITH	CLERK
20	RESEARCH	SAN	FRANCISCO	JONES	MANAGER
20	RESEARCH	SAN	FRANCISCO	ADAMS	CLERK
20	RESEARCH	SAN	FRANCISCO	SCOTT	ANALYST
20	RESEARCH	SAN	FRANCISCO	FORD	ANALYST
30	SALES	CHI	CAGO	ALLEN	SALESMAN
30	SALES	CHIC	CAGO	WARD	SALESMAN
30	SALES	CHI	CAGO	BLAKE	MANAGER
30	SALES	CHIC	CAGO	MARTIN	SALESMAN
30	SALES	CHI	CAGO	TURNER	SALESMAN
30	SALES	CHIC	CAGO	JAMES	CLERK
40	OPERATIONS	BOS	ron		

15 records selected.

The asterisk (*) after the EMP table in the FROM clause indicates that an extra row containing a null value in every column is to be appended to the EMP table when processing this query block. This null row of the EMP table is joined to those DEPT rows that do not have any matching rows in the EMP table.

Example 2-62: List all departments that do not have any employees.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE DEPT.DEPTNO, DNAME, LOC

SOL>FROM DEPT, EMP*

SQL>WHERE DEPT.DEPTNO = EMP.DEPTNO

SOL> AND EMPNO = NULL

SQL>/

DEPTNO	DNAME	LOC
40	OPERATIONS	BOSTON

The outer-join can be used to join more than two tables, however, at least one table in the join must not be outer-joined. The table that is not outer-joined must be listed first in the FROM clause.

3. DATA MANIPULATION FACILITIES

3.1 INSERT

The INSERT statement specifies the adding of a new row or set of rows into a table.

Example 3-1: Insert a new employee named Carter with an employee number of 7989, a job title of salesman, salary of 1500, and commission of 0, into department 30.

SQL>INSERT INTO EMP(EMPNO, ENAME, JOB, SAL, COMM, DEPTNO): SQL> <7989, 'CARTER', 'SALESMAN', 1500, 0, 30>; SQL>/ 1 record created.

All fields do not have to be included in the INSERT statement.

Example 3-2: Insert a new employee named Wilson, employee number 7955, in department 20, having all other fields null.

SQL>INSERT INTO EMP(EMPNO, ENAME, DEPTNO):
SQL> <7955, 'WILSON', 20>;
SQL>/
1 record created.

If all fields are present in the right order, the list of column names may be omitted.

Example 3-3: Insert a new employee into named Jakes into the EMP table.

SQL>INSERT INTO EMP:

SQL> <7956, 'JAKES', 'CLERK', 1000, NULL, 20>;

SQL>/

1 record created.

SQL>SELECT *

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 20;

SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO
7369	SMITH	CLERK	\$800.00		20
7566	JONES	MANAGER	\$2,975.00		20
7876	ADAMS	CLERK	\$1,100.00		20
7788	SCOTT	ANALYST	\$3,000.00		20
7902	FORD	ANALYST	\$3,000.00		20
7955	WILSON				20
7956	JAKES	CLERK	\$1,000.00		20

⁷ records selected.

An INSERT statement may store the result of a query into an existing table.

Example 3-4: Add to the BONUS table all those employees whose commission is greater than 25% of their salary, or those employees who have the job title of president or manager.

SQL>INSERT INTO BONUS:
SQL> SELECT ENAME, JOB, SAL, COMM
SQL> FROM EMP
SQL> WHERE COMM > 0.25 * SAL
SQL> OR JOB IN <'PRESIDENT', 'MANAGER'>;
SQL>/
6 records created.

Example 3-5: List the BONUS table.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM BONUS;
SQL>/

ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM
BLAKE	MANAGER	\$2,850.00	
CLARK	MANAGER	\$2,450.00	
JONES	MANAGER	\$2,975.00	
MARTIN	SALESMAN	\$1,250.00	\$1,400.00
OATES	PRESIDENT	\$5,000.00	
WARD	SALESMAN	\$1,250.00	\$500.00

6 records selected.

3.2 UPDATE

Update is a process of changing the values of fields within the data base. The rows to be updated are specified by means of a WHERE clause. The updates to be made are specified in a SET clause.

Example 3-6: Set employee number 7782's salary to \$2,750.

SQL>UPDATE EMP

SQL>SET SAL = 2750

SOL>WHERE EMPNO = 7782;

SQL>/

1 record updated.

SQL>SELECT * FROM EMP WHERE EMPNO=7782; SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO
7782	CLARK	MANAGER	\$2,750.00		10

A SET clause may update multiple fields within a table.

Example 3-7: Update department 30's location to Paris and increase its employee count by two.

...

SQL>UPDATE DEPT

SQL>SET LOC = 'PARIS', EMPCNT=NVL(EMPCNT,0) + 2

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 30;

SQL>/

1 record updated.

SOL>SELECT *

SQL>FROM DEPT;

SQL>/

DEPTNO	DNAME	LOC	EMPCNT
10	ADMINISTRATION		
20	RESEARCH	SAN FRANCISCO	
30	SALES	PARIS	2
40	OPERATIONS	BOSTON	

Update the employee table by giving a 15% Example 3-8: raise to all employees whose names appear in the BONUS table.

SQL>UPDATE EMP

SAL = SAL * 1.15SQL>SET

SQL>SET SQL>WHERE ENAME IN

SELECT ENAME SQL> FROM BONUS; SQL>

SQL>/

6 records updated.

SQL>SELECT * FROM EMP; SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO
7260	CMITTH	CLERK	\$800.00		20
7369	SMITH		\$1,600.00	\$300.00	30
7499	ALLEN	SALESMAN		\$500.00	30
7521	WARD	SALESMAN	\$1,437.50	\$500.00	20
7566	JONES	MANAGER	\$3,421.25		
7654	MARTIN	SALESMAN	\$1,437.50	\$1,400.00	30
7698	BLAKE	MANAGER	\$3,277.50		30
7782	CLARK	MANAGER	\$3,162.50		10
7788	SCOTT	ANALYST	\$3,000.00		20
7839	OATES	PRESIDENT	\$5,750.00		10
7844	TURNER	SALESMAN	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	30
7876	ADAMS	CLERK	\$1,100.00		20
7900	JAMES	CLERK	\$950.00		30
7902	FORD	ANALYST	\$3,000.00		20
7934	MILLER	CLERK	\$1,300.00		10
7955	WILSON				20
7956	JAKES	CLERK	\$1,000.00		20
7989	CARTER	SALESMAN	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	30

¹⁷ records selected.

3.3 DELETE

DELETE removes rows from tables in the data base.

Example 3-9: Delete the employee named Oates from the BONUS table.

SOL>DELETE BONUS

SQL>WHERE ENAME = 'OATES';

SQL>/

1 record deleted.

SQL>SELECT * FROM BONUS; SQL>/

ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM
BLAKE	MANAGER	\$2,850.00	
CLARK	MANAGER	\$2,450.00	
JONES	MANAGER	\$2,975.00	
MARTIN	SALESMAN	\$1,250.00	\$1,400.00
WARD	SALESMAN	\$1,250.00	\$500.00

The WHERE clause in a DELETE statement may contain a query block.

Example 3-10: Delete from the BONUS table all the employees with the same job as Jones.

SQL>DELETE BONUS SQL>WHERE JOB IN

SQL> SELECT JOB SQL> FROM EMP

SQL> WHERE ENAME = 'JONES';

SQL>/

3 records deleted.

SQL>SELECT * FROM BONUS; SQL>/

ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM
MARTIN	SALESMAN		\$1,400.00
WARD	SALESMAN	\$1,250.00	\$500.00

A DELETE statement without a WHERE clause specifies the removal of all rows in the table.

Example 3-11: Delete all rows from the BONUS table.

SQL>DELETE BONUS;

SQL>/

2 records deleted.

SQL>SELECT * FROM BONUS;

SQL>/

ENAME JOB

SAL COMM

no records selected

4. DATA DEFINITION FACILITIES

This section of the manual describes the CREATE TABLE, EXPAND TABLE DEFINE VIEW, and DROP facilities of the system.

4.1 CREATE TABLE

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Example 4-1: Display projects table.
SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM
          PROJ;
SQL>/
FROM
        PROJ;
                                                 [*** ERROR ***]
invalid table name
Example 4-2: Create a new table to contain project number,
              name, and budget information.
SQL>CREATE TABLE PROJ
           PROJNO(NUMBER NONULL IMAGE UNIQUE),
SQL>
SQL>
           PNAME (CHAR (10) IMAGE),
SQL>
           BUDGET (NUMBER),
SQL>
           EMPCNT (NUMBER);
SOL>/
Table created.
SQL>SELECT
           PROJ;
SQL>FROM
SQL>/
PROJNO PNAME
                   BUDGET EMPCNT
_____ ____
no records selected
```

```
Example 4-3: Insert three projects into the project table.
SQL>INSERT INTO PROJ(PROJNO, PNAME, BUDGET):
       <101,'ALPHA',250000>;
SOL>
SOL>/
1 record created.
SQL>INSERT INTO PROJ(PROJNO, PNAME, BUDGET):
           <102, 'BETA', 175000>;
SQL>
SQL>/
1 record created.
SQL>INSERT INTO PROJ(PROJNO, PNAME, BUDGET):
           <103,'GAMMA',95000>;
SOL>
SQL>/
1 record created.
SOL>SELECT
            PROJ;
SOL>FROM
SQL>/
PROJNO PNAME BUDGET EMPCNT
----- ----- -----------
   101 ALPHA $250,000.00
102 BETA $175,000.00
   103 GAMMA
                $95,000.00
4.2 DROP TABLE
Tables and views may be dropped dynamically.
```

Example 4-4: Drop the BONUS table from the data base.

SQL>DROP TABLE BONUS; SQL>/ Table dropped.

4.3 EXPAND TABLE

Example 4-5: An existing table may be expanded by adding a new column to it.

SQL>SELECT EMPNO, DEPTNO, PROJNO, ENAME

SOL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 10;

SQL>/

SELECT EMPNO, DEPTNO, PROJNO, ENAME

invalid column name

[*** ERROR ***]

Example 4-6: Add a new project number column to the employee table.

SQL>EXPAND TABLE EMP

SQL> ADD COLUMN PROJNO(NUMBER IMAGE);

SQL>/

Table expanded.

SQL>SELECT EMPNO, ENAME, PROJNO, DEPTNO

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 10;

SQL>/

ENAME	PROJNO	DEPTNO
CLARK		10
MILLER		10
OATES		10
	CLARK MILLER	MILLER

Update the employee table by assigning Example 4-7: employees to projects.

SQL>UPDATE EMP

PROJNO = 101SQL>SET

SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 20 SQL> OR JOB = 'MANAGER';

SQL>/

10 records updated.

SQL>SELECT

SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>WHERE PROJNO = 101;

SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOВ	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO	PROJNO
D111 140						
7369	SMITH	CLERK	\$800.00		20	101
		MANAGER	\$3,421.25		20	101
	JONES		•		30	101
	BLAKE	MANAGER	\$3,277.50		10	101
7782	CLARK	MANAGER	\$3,162.50			
7876	ADAMS	CLERK	\$1,100.00		20	101
	SCOTT	ANALYST	\$3,000.00		20	101
	FORD	ANALYST	\$3,000.00		20	101
		ANALIDI	43,00000		20	101
7955			ė1 000 00		20	101
7956	JAKES	CLERK	\$1,000.00		20	

9 records selected.

SQL>UPDATE EMP

PROJNO = 102SQL>SET

SQL>WHERE EMPNO > 7700

SQL> AND NOT PROJNO = 101;

SQL>/

5 records updated.

Example 4-8: The PROJ table may now be joined to the EMP table.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, PNAME SQL>FROM EMP, PROJ

SQL>FROM EMP,PROJ SQL>WHERE EMP.PROJNO = PROJ.PROJNO;

SQL>/

ENAME PNAME _____ SMITH ALPHA JONES ALPHA BLAKE ALPHA CLARK ALPHA ADAMS ALPHA ALPHA SCOTT FORD ALPHA WILSON ALPHA JAKES ALPHA TURNER BETA MILLER BETA OATES BETA JAMES BETA CARTER BETA ALLEN GAMMA WAPD GAMMA MARTIN GAMMA

17 records selected.

4.4 DEFINE VIEW

Alternative views of stored data may be defined. Any vaild query may be used in the definition of a view.

Example 4-9: Define a view called EMP10 containing employee number, name, job and project number information for employees in department 10.

SQL>DEFINE VIEW EMP10 AS
SQL> SELECT EMPNO, ENAME, JOB, PROJNO
SQL> FROM EMP
SQL> WHERE DEPTNO = 10;

SQL>/ View defined.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM EMP10;
SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	PROJNO
7934	MILLER	MANAGER CLERK PRESIDENT	101 102 102

Example 4-10: A view can contain more than one table.

```
SQL>DEFINE VIEW PROJSTAFF (EMPLOYEE, PROJECT) AS
            SELECT ENAME, PNAME
SQL>
SQL>
            FROM
                     EMP, PROJ
                     EMP.PROJNO = PROJ.PROJNO;
            WHERE
SQL>
SQL>/
View defined.
SQL>SELECT
            PROJSTAFF;
SQL>FROM
SQL>/
EMPLOYEE PROJECT
SMITH
         ALPHA
JONES
         ALPHA
BLAKE
         ALPHA
CLARK
         ALPHA
         ALPHA
ADAMS
SCOTT
         ALPHA
         ALPHA
FORD
         ALPHA
WILSON
         ALPHA
JAKES
         BETA
TURNER
MILLER
         BETA
OATES
         BETA
JAMES
         BETA
         BETA
CARTER
ALLEN
         GAMMA
WARD
         GAMMA
         GAMMA
MARTIN
17 records selected.
```

When defining a view, ORACLE may draw the column names from the underlying tables or the user may rename the columns as in the example below.

Example 4-11: Define a view containing information from the project, employee, and department table.

SQL>DEFINE VIEW PROJECTS (PROJECT, EMPLOYEE, EMP#, LOCATION) AS

SQL> SELECT PNAME, ENAME, EMPNO, LOC

SQL> FROM PROJ, EMP, DEPT

SQL> WHERE EMP.DEPTNO = DEPT.DEPTNO SQL> AND EMP.PROJNO = PROJ.PROJNO;

SQL>/

View defined.

Example 4-12: Views may be selectively queried in the same way as a table.

SQL>SELECT PROJECT, EMPLOYEE, LOCATION

SQL>FROM PROJECTS

SQL>WHERE LOCATION = 'NEW YORK';

SOL>/

PROJECT EMPLOYEE LOC

----- ------

ALPHA CLARK NEW YORK BETA MILLER NEW YORK BETA OATES NEW YORK

Example 4-13: Views may be joined to tables or other views.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, JOB, PNAME

SQL>FROM PROJ, EMP10

SQL>WHERE PROJ.PROJNO=EMP10.PROJNO

SQL> AND JOB ^= 'CLERK'

SOL>/

Views may be defined in terms of other views.

Example 4-14: Define a view containing the name of projects and employees located in Paris.

SOL>DEFINE VIEW PARIS (NAME, PROJ) AS SELECT EMPLOYEE, PROJECT SQL> PROJECTS FROM SQL> LOCATION = 'PARIS'; WHERE SOL> SQL>/ View defined. SOL>SELECT PARIS; SOL>FROM SQL>/ NAME PROJ ALLEN GAMMA WARD GAMMA BLAKE ALPHA MARTIN GAMMA TURNER BETA JAMES BETA CARTER BETA

7 records selected.

4.5 Virtual-Fields

A view may contain arithmetic expressions or built in functions. These expressions or functions appear to the user of the view as "virtual fields." When expressions or functions are used within a view, column names must be specified for the view.

Example 4-15: Define a view containing employee name, salary, annual salary, and department number.

SQL>DEFINE VIEW PAY (NAME, SAL, COMM, ASAL, DEPTNO) AS SQL> SELECT ENAME, SAL, COMM, SAL * 12, DEPTNO SQL> FROM EMP; SQL>/ View defined.

Example 4-16: List salary information for employees in department 30.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM PAY
SQL>WHERE DEPTE

DEPTNO = 30

SQL>/

NAME	SAL	COMM	ASAL	DEPTNO
ALLEN WARD BLAKE MARTIN TURNER JAMES CARTER	\$1,600.00 \$1,437.50 \$3,277.50 \$1,437.50 \$1,500.00 \$950.00 \$1,500.00	\$300.00 \$500.00 \$1,400.00 \$0.00	\$19,200.00 \$17,250.00 \$39,330.00 \$17,250.00 \$18,000.00 \$11,400.00 \$18,000.00	30 30 30 30 30 30 30

7 records selected.

Example 4-17: Define a view containing a departments minimum, average, maximum, and total compensation.

SQL>DEFINE VIEW DEPT SAL (DEPTNO, LOSAL, MEDSAL, HISAL, TOTSAL) AS SQL> SELECT DEPTNO, MIN(SAL), AVG(SAL), MAX(SAL), SUM(SAL) SQL> FROM EMP SQL> GROUP BY DEPTNO; SQL>/ View defined.

Example 4-18: List minimum, average, and total salary for each department.

SQL>SELECT DEPTNO,LOSAL,HISAL,TOTSAL SQL>FROM DEPT_SAL

SQL>/

DEPTNO	LOSAL	HISAL	TOTSAL
10	\$1,300.00	\$5,750.00	\$10,212.50
20	\$800.00	\$3,421.25	\$12,321.25
30	\$950.00	\$3,277.50	\$11,702.50

5. DATA STRUCTURES

Create a data structure that allows one employee to work on many projects, and one project to have many employees.

Example 5-1: Create a two column table relating employees to projects.

SQL>CREATE TABLE PE
SQL> EMPNO(NUMBER NONULL IMAGE),
SQL> PROJNO(NUMBER NONULL IMAGE);
SQL>/
Table created.

Example 5-2: Move the relationship between employees and projects from the EMP table to the PE table.

SQL>INSERT INTO PE(EMPNO, PROJNO):
SQL> SELECT EMPNO, PROJNO
SQL> FROM EMP;
SQL>/
17 records created.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM PE;
SQL>/

EMPNO PROJNO _____

17 records selected.

Example 5-3: Delete the data from the PROJNO column of the EMP table.

SQL>UPDATE EMP

SQL>SET PROJNO = NULL;

SQL>/ 17 records updated.

SQL>SELECT *

SQL>FROM EMP;

SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO	PROJNO
7369	SMITH	CLERK	\$800.00		20	
	ALLEN	SALESMAN	\$1,600.00	\$300.00	30	
, 1, 2	WARD	SALESMAN	\$1,437.50	\$500.00	30	
	JONES	MANAGER	\$3,421.25		20	
	MARTIN	SALESMAN	\$1,437.50	\$1,400.00	30	•
	BLAKE	MANAGER	\$3,277.50		30	
	CLARK	MANAGER	\$3,162.50		10	
	SCOTT	ANALYST	\$3,000.00		20	
	OATES	PRESIDENT	\$5,750.00		10	
	TURNER	SALESMAN	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	30	
,	ADAMS	CLERK	\$1,100.00		20	
		CLERK	\$950.00		30	
	FORD	ANALYST	\$3,000.00		20	
			\$1,300.00		10	
	WILSON				20	
7956		CLERK	\$1,000.00		20	
7989		SALESMAN	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	30	

¹⁷ records selected.

Example 5-4: The new structure requires that the EMP table be joined to the PROJ table via the PE table.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, PNAME
SQL>FROM EMP, PROJ, PE
SQL>WHERE EMP.EMPNO = PE.EMPNO
SQL> AND PROJ.PROJNO = PE.PROJNO;
SQL>/

ENAME PNAME SMITH ALPHA ALLEN GAMMA WARD GAMMA JONES ALPHA MARTIN GAMMA BLAKE ALPHA CLARK ALPHA SCOTT ALPHA OATES BETA TURNER BETA ADAMS ALPHA JAMES BETA ALPHA FORD MILLER BETA WILSON ALPHA JAKES ALPHA CARTER BETA

17 records selected.

The new data structure with the PE table allows employees to be assigned to more than one project.

Example 5-5: Assign employee 7989 to projects 101 and 103, and employee 7956 to project 102.

SQL>INSERT INTO PE: SQL> <7989,101>;

SQL>/

1 record created.

SQL>INSERT INTO PE: SQL> <7989,103>; SQL>/ 1 record created.

SQL>INSERT INTO PE: <7956,103>;

SQL>/

1 record created.

Example 5-6: List the projects for employees 7956 and 7989.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, EMP. EMPNO, PNAME, PROJ. PROJNO
SQL>FROM EMP, PROJ, PE
SQL>WHERE [EMP. EMPNO = PE. EMPNO AND PROJ. PROJNO]
SQL> AND EMP. EMPNO = <7956,7989>;
SQL>/

ENAME	EMPNO	PNAME	PROJNO
JAKES	7956	ALPHA	101
JAKES	7956	GAMMA	103
CARTER		BETA	102
CARTER		ALPHA	101
CARTER	7989	GAMMA	103

6. DATA INDEPENDENCE

The view facility within ORACLE in combination with the non-procedural nature of the SQL data language allows the user's programs to be independent to changes in data structure.

A new PROJSTAFF view can be defined on the new data structure. The new view will contain the same information as the old PROJSTAFF view only the definition of the view will be different. Users of the old PROJSTAFF view will be insulated from the change.

Example 6-1: Drop the old PROJSTAFF view.

SQL>DROP VIEW PROJSTAFF; SQL>/ View dropped.

View defined.

Example 6-2: Define a new PROJSTAFF view that joins the EMP table to the PROJ table via the PE table.

SQL>DEFINE VIEW PROJSTAFF(EMPLOYEE, PROJECT) AS
SQL>SELECT ENAME, PNAME
SQL>FROM EMP, PROJ, PE
SQL>WHERE EMP.EMPNO = PE.EMPNO
SQL> AND PROJ.PROJNO = PE.PROJNO;
SOL>/

Example 6-3: Queries that used the old PROJSTAFF view continue to run without modification once the new PROJSTAFF view has been defined even though the structure of the data base has been altered.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM PROJSTAFF
SQL>WHERE PROJECT = 'GAMMA';
SQL>/

WARD GAMMA
MARTIN GAMMA
CARTER GAMMA
JAKES GAMMA

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The EMP table does not contain all the information necessary to define the "reporting structure" between the employees in the EMP table. This is because the EMP table does not identify each employee's direct supervisor. In order to store this reporting structure information, the EMP table has to be expanded.

Add a new column called SUPR to the EMP Example 7-1: table.

SQL>EXPAND TABLE EMP SQL> ADD COLUMN SUPR(NUMBER IMAGE); SOL>/ Table expanded.

Assign a supervisor to each employee except Example 7-2: OATES.

SQL>UPDATE EMP SQL>SET SUPR=7839 SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7782 SQL>/ 1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE SUPR=7839 SOL>SET SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7566 SOL>/ 1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE **EMP** SQL>SET SUPR=7839 SOL>WHERE EMPNO=7698 SOL>/ 1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP SOL>SET SUPR=7782 SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7934 SQL>/ 1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP SUPR=7566 SQL>SET SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7788 SQL>/

l record updated.

Continue assigning supervisors to employees.

```
SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7566
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7902
SQL>/
1 record updated.
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SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7566
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7955
SQL>/
1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7788
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7876
SQL>/
1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7902
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7369
SQL>/
1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7955
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7956
SQL>/
1 record updated.

Continue assigning supervisors to employees.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7698
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7499
SQL>/
1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP SQL>SET SUPR=7698 SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7521 SQL>/ 1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7698
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7654
SQL>/
1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7698
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7844
SQL>/
1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7698
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7900
SQL>/
1 record updated.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SUPR=7698
SQL>WHERE EMPNO=7989
SQL>/
1 record updated.

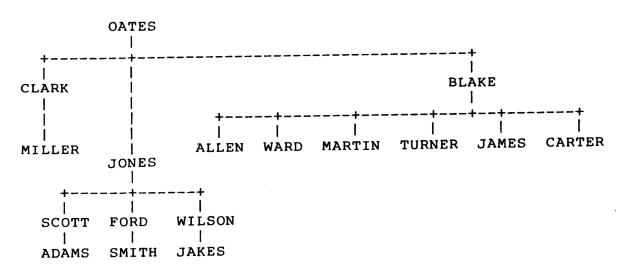
Example 7-3: List the reporting structure information from the EMP table including each employees name, number, department, and his supervisor's number.

SQL>SELECT ENAME, EMPNO, SUPR, DEPTNO SQL>FROM EMP SQL>/

ENAME	EMPNO	SUPR	DEPTNO
SMITH	7369	7902	20
ALLEN	7499	7698	30
WARD	7521	7698	30
JONES	7566	7839	20
MARTIN	7654	7698	30
BLAKE	7698	7839	30
CLARK	7782	7839	10
SCOTT	7788	7566	20
OATES	783 9		10
TURNER	7844	7698	30
ADAMS	7876	7788	20
JAMES	7900	7698	30
FORD	7902	7566	20
MILLER	7934	7782	10
WILSON	7955	7566	20
JAKES	7956	7955	20
CARTER	7989	7698	30

17 records selected.

When considering the reporting structure information contained in the EMP table, it may be useful to think of the EMP table as tree-structured or hierarchical as in the diagram below.



7.1 CONNECT BY

ORACLE provides a unique set of operators that allows the user to query these "Tree-Structured" tables. Operations on tree-structured tables include three clauses: START WITH, CONNECT BY, and INCLUDING. CONNECT BY and START WITH are required clauses; INCLUDING is an optional clause.

The CONNECT BY clause indicates the two columns within the table that contain the information necessary to logically specify the structure of the tree. The START WITH clause indicates the leaf within the tree (row within the table) that the query is to start.

Example 7-4: Find all the people who work directly or indirectly for JONES.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE ENAME, EMPNO, JOB, DEPTNO, SUPR SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>START WITH ENAME = 'JONES'
SQL>CONNECT BY PRIOR EMPNO = SUPR
SQL>/

ENAME	EMPNO	JOB	DEPTNO	SUPR
JONES	7566	MANAGER	20	7839
SCOTT	7788	ANALYST	20	7566
FORD	7902	ANALYST	20	7566
WILSON	7955		20	7566
ADAMS	7876	CLERK	20	7788
SMITH	7369	CLERK	20	7902
JAKES	7956	CLERK	20	7955

⁷ records selected.

A query may "walk" the tree in either the UP or DOWN direction. The user specifies the direction the tree is to be walked by means of the PRIOR keyword within the CONNECT BY clause. In this example, if the PRIOR is placed before EMPNO, the tree is walked in the down direction. If the PRIOR is placed before SUPR, the tree is walked in the UP direction.

Example 7-5: List all the people in the reporting structure above SMITH.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE ENAME, EMPNO, JOB, DEPTNO, SUPR SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>START WITH ENAME = 'SMITH'
SQL>CONNECT BY EMPNO = PRIOR SUPR
SQL>/

ENAME	EMPNO	JOB	DEPTNO	SUPR
				7000
SMITH	7369	CLERK	20	7902
FORD	7902	ANALYST	20	7566
JONES		MANAGER	20	7839
OATES	7839	PRESIDENT	10	

Example 7-6: SELECT UNIQUE must be specified when walking the tree in the UP direction.

7.2 START WITH

The START WITH clause can reference more than one starting point within the tree.

Example 7-7: List all the people who work for CLARK or BLAKE.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE ENAME, EMPNO, JOB, DEPTNO, SUPR SQL>FROM EMP

SQL>START WITH ENAME = 'CLARK'

SQL> OR ENAME = 'BLAKE'

SQL>CONNECT BY PRIOR EMPNO = SUPR

SQL>ORDER BY DEPTNO

SQL>/

ENAME	EMPNO	JOB	DEPTNO	SUPR
CLARK	7782	MANAGER	10	7839
MILLER	7934	CLERK	10	7782
BLAKE	7698	MANAGER	30	7839
ALLEN	7499	SALESMAN	30	7698
WARD	7521	SALESMAN	30	7698
MARTIN	7654	SALESMAN	30	7698
TURNER	7844	SALESMAN	30	7698
JAMES	7900	CLERK	30	7698
CARTER	7989	SALESMAN	30	7698

9 records selected.

Example 7-8: List all the people who work for people who have the same job as SCOTT.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE ENAME, EMPNO, JOB, DEPTNO, SUPR EMP SOL>FROM WITH JOB IN SQL>START JOB SELECT SQL> **EMP** FROM SQL> ENAME = 'SCOTT'; WHERE SQL> SQL>CONNECT BY PRIOR EMPNO = SUPR SQL>/

ENAME	EMPNO	JOB	DEPTNO	SUPR
SCOTT	7788	ANALYST	20	7566
FORD	7902	ANALYST	20	7566
ADAMS SMITH		CLERK CLERK	20 20	7788 7902

7.3 INCLUDING

As a tree is being walked, a predicate or set of predicates can be applied to individual leafs of the tree or entire branches of the tree. The INCLUDING clause is used to qualify or disqualify leafs of the tree. The WHERE clause is used to "prune" entire branches of the tree.

Example 7-9: List all the people who work for JONES except SCOTT.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE ENAME, EMPNO, JOB, DEPTNO, SUPR SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>START WITH ENAME = 'JONES'
SQL>CONNECT BY PRIOR EMPNO = SUPR
SQL>INCLUDING ENAME ^= 'SCOTT'
SQL>/

EMPNO	JOB	DEPTNO	SUPR
7566	MANAGER	20	7839
7902	ANALYST	20	7566
7955		20	7566
7876	CLERK	20	7788
		20	7902
		20	7955
	7566 7902 7955 7876 7369	EMPNO JOB 7566 MANAGER 7902 ANALYST 7955 7876 CLERK 7369 CLERK 7956 CLERK	7566 MANAGER 20 7902 ANALYST 20 7955 20 7876 CLERK 20 7369 CLERK 20

⁶ records selected.

Example 7-10: List all the employees that work for JONES except SCOTT and the people who work for SCOTT.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE ENAME, EMPNO, JOB, DEPTNO, SUPR SQL>FROM EMP SQL>WHERE ENAME ^= 'SCOTT' SQL>START WITH ENAME = 'JONES' SQL>CONNECT BY PRIOR EMPNO = SUPR SQL>/

ENAME	EMPNO	JOB	DEPTNO	SUPR
JONES	7566	MANAGER	20	7839
FORD	7902	ANALYST	20	7566
WILSON	7955		20	7566
SMITH	7369	CLERK	20	7902
JAKES	7956	CLERK	20	7955

Note that ADAMS, who works for SCOTT was eliminated when SCOTT was pruned using the WHERE clause. ADAMS was not eliminated when SCOTT was excluded using the INCLUDING clause.

A query on a tree-structured table can contain both a WHERE clause and an INCLUDING clause. First, the tree is logically formed using the CONNECT BY clause; Second, the tree is walked in the direction specified by the PRIOR keyword in the CONNECT BY clause starting with the leaf specified in the START WITH clause; Third, the WHERE clause is applied to each leaf of the tree (row of the table) to prune branches from the tree; Fourth, the INCLUDING clause is applied to each leaf of the tree to qualify or disqualify individual rows.

Example 7-11: List all the employees that work for JONES except SCOTT and the people who work for SCOTT, and FORD.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE ENAME, EMPNO, JOB, DEPTNO, SUPR SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE ENAME ~= 'SCOTT'
SQL>START WITH ENAME = 'JONES'
SQL>CONNECT BY PRIOR EMPNO = SUPR
SQL>INCLUDING ENAME ~= 'FORD'
SOL>/

ENAME	EMPNO	JOB	DEPTNO	SUPR
JONES	7566	MANAGER	20	7839
WILSON	7955		20	7566
SMITH	7369	CLERK	20	7902
JAKES	7956	CLERK	20	7955

Queries on tree-structured tables can include joins.

Example 7-12: List all the employees and the location of their departments that work for JONES except SCOTT and the people who work for SCOTT, and FORD.

SQL>SELECT UNIQUE ENAME, LOC, EMPNO, JOB, DEPT. DEPTNO, SUPR SQL>FROM EMP, DEPT SQL>WHERE EMP. DEPTNO = DEPT. DEPTNO SQL>AND ENAME ^= 'SCOTT' SQL>START WITH ENAME = 'JONES' SQL>CONNECT BY PRIOR EMPNO = SUPR SQL> INCLUDING ENAME ^= 'FORD' SQL>/

ENAME	LOC		EMPNO	JOB	DEPTNO	SUPR
		FRANCISCO FRANCISCO		MANAGER	20	7839 7566
SMITH	SAN	FRANCISCO FRANCISCO	7369			7902 7955

8. SECURITY FACILITIES

ORACLE supports both secure and nonsecure data bases. If a data base is defined as secure, that data base's dictionary contains information about the users of the data base in addition to a description of data stored within the data base. This allows ORACLE to control access to the data base on a user by access privilege basis.

An ORACLE data base is created by means of the DBF utility program. At the time a data base is created, the creating user specifies whether the data base is to be secure or nonsecure. If the data base is to be secure, the creating user specifies a USER-NAME and PASSWORD to DBF. The data base used in this manual is a secure data base created with the following DBF command:

DBF C PERSONNEL PERSONNEL.DBS 2048 SCOTT/TIGER

Initially, only the creating user, SCOTT with a PASSWORD of TIGER is authorized to operate on the PERSONNEL data base. All the SQL example operations prior to this section of the manual have been issued by the fully authorized creating user, SCOTT.

8.1 DEFINE USER

The creator of a secure data base can authorize additional users of the data base by means of the DEFINE USER command. A defined user of the data base is authorized to log on to the data base, create his own tables, define views on his tables, and define new users of the data base.

ORACLE security facilities prevent unauthorized users from logging on the secure PERSONNEL data base.

Have user SCOTT log off of the PERSONNEL data base and attempt to log on as user ADAMS with a password of WOOD.

Example 8-1: Log on to the PERSONNEL data base as user SCOTT.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL SCOTT/TIGER Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

The creator of the PERSONNEL data base, in this case SCOTT, can authorize additional users to log on to the data base by means of the DEFINE USER command.

Example 8-2: Define a new user of the PERSONNEL data base with a USER-NAME of ADAMS and a PASSWORD of WOOD.

SQL>DEFINE USER ADAMS/WOOD SQL>/ User defined.

After a user has been defined, that user may log on to the data base.

Example 8-3: Log on as user ADAMS.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL ADAMS/WOOD Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

A new user can create his own tables, define views on his tables, and define new users of the data base.

Example 8-4: Have user ADAMS create a new table and insert a record into it.

SQL>CREATE TABLE PARTS
SQL> PARTNO(NUMBER IMAGE UNIQUE),
SQL> PART_NAME(CHAR(10));
SQL>/
Table created.

SQL>INSERT INTO PARTS:
SQL> <1,'WIDGET'>;
SQL>/
1 record created.

8.2 GRANT PRIVILEGE

The ORACLE security facilities enable users to control access to their data by other users. It is the responsibility of the user who creates a table or view to control access to that table or view. A user may extend access to his table or view by means of the GRANT command.

Even though user ADAMS can create his own tables he can not access data via tables and views created by other users unless specifically authorized.

Example 8-5: Have user ADAMS attempt to list the DEPT table.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM DEPT
SQL>/
FROM DEPT

invalid table name

[*** ERROR ***]

At this point ADAMS is not authorized to access the DEPT table and is told that the table does not exist.

Example 8-6: Log back on as user SCOTT, the creator of the EMP and DEPT tables.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL SCOTT/TIGER Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 8-7: Authorize user ADAMS to READ the DEPT table.

SQL>GRANT READ
SQL>ON DEPT
SQL>TO ADAMS
SQL>/
Privileges granted.

Example 8-8: Log on as user ADAMS.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL ADAMS/WOOD Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 8-9: Have ADAMS list the DEPT table.

SQL>SELECT SQL>FROM DEPT SQL>/

DEPTNO DNAME LOC EMPCNT 10 ADMINISTRATION NEW YORK 20 RESEARCH SAN FRANCISCO PARIS 30 SALES

BOSTON

Example 8-10: Have ADAMS list the PARTS table he created.

SOL>SELECT * SQL>FROM PARTS SQL>/

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PARTNO PART N _____ 1 WIDGET

Example 8-11: Log on as user SCOTT.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL SCOTT/TIGER Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 8-12: Have user SCOTT attempt to list the PARTS table.

SQL>SELECT * SQL>FROM PARTS SQL>/ PARTS FROM

invalid table name

[*** ERROR ***]

Even though user SCOTT defined user ADAMS to the PERSONNEL data base, SCOTT is not allowed to see data stored in tables created by ADAMS unless specifically authorized to do so by means of a GRANT privilege command.

8.3 PRIVILEGES

The following privileges may be granted: READ, INSERT, DELETE, UPDATE (by column), and EXPAND. In addition, the grantor may allow the grantee to GRANT the listed privileges to other users.

Example 8-13: Log back on as user SCOTT. #COMMENT #DBS PERSONNEL SCOTT/TIGER #COMMENT *** Give the following privileges on the EMP table to user ADAMS: the right to READ, INSERT, and UPDATE only the JOB, and DEPTNO columns.

SQL>GRANT READ, INSERT, UPDATE (JOB, DEPTNO)

SQL>ON EMP

SOL>TO ADAMS

SQL>/

Privileges granted.

Example 8-14: Log on as ADAMS.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL ADAMS/WOOD Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 8-15: Have ADAMS update the EMP table.

SQL>UPDATE EMP

SOL>SET JOB='ANALYST'

SQL>WHERE ENAME='WILSON'

SOL>/

1 record updated.

Example 8-16: Have ADAMS attempt to UPDATE both the JOB and SAL column of the EMP table.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET JOB='ANALYST', SAL=100000
SQL>WHERE ENAME='WILSON'
SQL>/
SET JOB='ANALYST', SAL=100000

security violation

[*** ERROR ***]

ORACLE security facilities detect a security violation and indicate the column of the EMP table that ADAMS was not authorized to UPDATE.

The phrase ALL RIGHTS may be substituted for the privilege list in the GRANT statement.

Example 8-17: Have ADAMS grant SCOTT all privileges on the PARTS table.

SQL>GRANT ALL RIGHTS

SQL>ON PARTS SQL>TO SCOTT

SOL>/

Privileges granted.

The phrase ALL BUT can be specified preceding a privilege list.

Example 8-18: Log on as user SCOTT.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL SCOTT/TIGER Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 8-19: Give ADAMS all the privileges on the DEPT table except EXPAND, along with the right to GRANT these privileges to other users.

SOL>GRANT ALL BUT EXPAND

SQL>ON DEPT
SQL>TO ADAMS
SQL>WITH GRANT OPTION

SOL>/

Privileges granted.

Privileges can be granted to all users by specifying PUBLIC in place of the user list.

Example 8-20: Give all users READ privileges on the PROJSTAFF view.

SOL>GRANT READ

SQL>ON PROJSTAFF SQL>TO PUBLIC

SQL>/

Privileges granted.

Note that the only privilege that may be granted on a view is the READ privilege.

8.4 USER Keyword

ORACLE requires users to enter their name and password in order to log on to a secure data base. ORACLE maintains the name of the current user as a keyword constant called USER. The keyword USER may be specified in a SQL statement anywhere a constant is allowed. USER will always return the name of the currently logged on user.

The USER keyword can be specified in the WHERE clause of a SQL statement to control access to the data base. This is especially useful when defining views on the data base. #WORKSIZE 8

Example 8-21: Define a view of the EMP table allowing any employee to see his own department number, name, salary, commission, and job but not any information about any other employee.

SQL>DEFINE VIEW MYSELF AS

SQL> SELECT *

SQL> FROM EMP

SQL> WHERE ENAME = USER;

SQL>/
View defined.

Example 8-22: Give all users access to the MYSELF view.

SQL>GRANT READ
SQL>ON MYSELF
SQL>TO PUBLIC
SQL>/
Privileges granted.

The USER keyword will always return the USER-NAME of the user currently logged on to the data base.

Example 8-23: Have user SCOTT query the MYSELF view.

SQL>SELECT *

SOL>FROM MYSELF

SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO	PROJNO	SUPR
2							
					20		7566
7788	SCOTT	ANALYST	\$3,000.00		20		7500

Example 8-24: Log on as user ADAMS and query the MYSELF view.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL ADAMS/WOOD Database 'PERSONNEL' opened. SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM MYSELF
SQL>/

EMPNO	ENAME	JOB	SAL	COMM	DEPTNO	PROJNO	SUPR
DITT 110							
7876		CLERK	\$1,100.00		20		7788

Define a view giving managers access Example 8-25: employees in their department only if the manager earns the same amount or more that the employee.

VIEW MY EMPS (NAME, JOB, SAL, COMM, DEPTNO) AS SOL>DEFINE WORKER. ENAME, WORKER. JOB, WORKER. SAL, WORKER. COMM, SQL>SELECT

WORKER.DEPTNO SQL>SELECT

EMP WORKER, EMP MGR SOL>FROM

WORKER.DEPTNO = MGR.DEPTNO SOL>WHERE

[MGR.JOB = 'MANAGER' AND MGR.SAL >= WORKER.SAL] SOL> AND

MGR.ENAME=USER; SOL> AND

SQL>/

WORKER.DEPTNO SELECT

missing 'from' keyword

[*** ERROR ***]

Define JONES and CLARK as users of the Example 8-26: PERSONNEL data base.

SQL>DEFINE USER JONES/WOOD

SQL>/

User defined.

SQL>DEFINE USER CLARK/CLOTH

SQL>/

User defined.

Grant all users access to the MY EMPS view. Example 8-27: Note that the view will only return data if the user's JOB = MANAGER.

SOL>GRANT READ

MY EMPS SOL>ON

PUBLIC SQL>TO

SQL>/

TO **PUBLIC**

security violation

[*** ERROR ***]

Example 8-28: Have user ADAMS, who is not a manager attempt to query the MY_EMPS view.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM MY_EMPS
SQL>/
FROM MY EMPS

invalid table name

[*** ERROR ***]

Example 8-29: Have users JONES and CLARK, who are managers, query the MY_EMPS view.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL JONES/WOOD Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.
SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM MY_EMPS
SQL>/
FROM MY_EMPS

invalid table name

[*** ERROR ***]

Example 8-30: The view only allows the manager to see people in their own department.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL CLARK/CLOTH
Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.
SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM MY_EMPS
SQL>/
FROM MY_EMPS

invalid table name

[*** ERROR ***]

Note that CLARK was not able to see employee OATES because the view prevents managers from seeing anyone in their department who earns more than they do.

8.5 REVOKE Privilege

Once a privilege has been granted it may be withdrawn by means of the REVOKE command. Privileges are revoked from the named grantee and from all users to whom he has granted them.

Example 8-31: Log on the PERSONNEL data base as user ADAMS.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL ADAMS/WOOD Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 8-32: Have ADAMS INSERT a new department into the DEPT table.

SQL>INSERT INTO DEPT:

SOL> <50, 'SERVICE', 'DETROIT', NULL>

SQL>/

1 record created.

Example 8-33: Log on the PERSONNEL data base as user SCOTT.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL SCOTT/TIGER Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 8-34: Revoke from ADAMS the right to INSERT into the DEPT table.

SQL>REVOKE INSERT
SQL>ON DEPT
SQL>FROM ADAMS
SQL>/
Privileges revoked.

Example 8-35: Log on the PERSONNEL data base as user ADAMS.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL ADAMS/WOOD Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 8-36: Have ADAMS attempt to INSERT a new department into the DEPT table.

SQL>INSERT INTO DEPT:

SQL> <60, 'DEVELOPMENT', 'PORTLAND', NULL>

SOL>/

INSERT INTO DEPT:

invalid table name

[*** ERROR ***]

9. DATA DICTIONARY STRUCTURE

This section of the manual contains a description of ORACLE's integrated data dictionary.

The ORACLE data dictionary is made up of several system defined tables and views. These dictionary tables are dynamically updated by ORACLE to contain a current description of all user tables, views, and access privileges. In addition, the ORACLE dictionary is self describing. Therefore, a user may query the dictionary to determine the names of the tables that make up the dictionary.

DTAB contains the names and a description of the dictionary tables. DCOL contains the names of the columns of the dictionary tables.

Example 9-1: List the names and a description of the tables in the dictionary.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM DTAB
SQL>/

COL COLUMN NAMES OF USERS TABLES AND VIEWS COLDEF DEFINITION OF COLUMNS IN USERS TABLES DCOL COLUMN NAMES OF DICTIONARY TABLES DTAB COMMENTS ON DICTIONARY TABLES DTABLES DESCRIPTION OF DICTIONARY TABLES EXPDEF COLUMN DEFINITIONS USED BY EXPORT GRANTS ACCESS PRIVILEGES GRANTED BY USER PRIVS ACCESS PRIVILEGES HELD BY USER TAB NAMES OF USERS TABLES AND VIEWS USERS NAME OF USERS YOU DEFINED VIEWS DEFINITIONS OF VIEWS VYPEF CROSS-REFERENCE OF VIEWS OF TABLES	TABLE	COMMENT
VAREL CRODE REPERSE	COLDEF DCOL DTAB DTABLES EXPDEF GRANTS PRIVS TAB USERS	DEFINITION OF COLUMNS IN USERS TABLES COLUMN NAMES OF DICTIONARY TABLES COMMENTS ON DICTIONARY TABLES DESCRIPTION OF DICTIONARY TABLES COLUMN DEFINITIONS USED BY EXPORT ACCESS PRIVILEGES GRANTED BY USER ACCESS PRIVILEGES HELD BY USER NAMES OF USERS TABLES AND VIEWS NAME OF USERS YOU DEFINED

12 records selected.

Example 9-2: List the names of the columns of the dictionary tables.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM DCOL
SQL>/

TABLE	COLUMN
TAB	TABLE
TAB	TYPE
TAB	CREATOR
TAB	GRANTEE
COL	TABLE
COL	COLUMN
COLDEF	TABLE
COLDEF	COLUMN
COLDEF	DATATYPE
COLDEF	LENGTH
COLDEF	IMAGE
COLDEF	NONULL
EXPDEF	TABLE
EXPDEF	COLID
EXPDEF	COLUMN
EXPDEF	DATATYPE
EXPDEF	LENGTH
EXPDEF	IMAGE
EXPDEF	NONULL
VIEWS	VIEW
VIEWS	TEXT
VXREF	VIEW
VXREF	TABLE
USERS	USER
USERS	OWNER
DTAB	TABLE
DTAB	COMMENT
DTABLES	TABLE
DTABLES	TYPE
DTABLES	CREATOR
	GRANTEE
DCOL	TABLE
DCOL	COLUMN
GRANTS	TABLE
GRANTS	COLUMN
GRANTS	GRANTEE
GRANTS	ACCESS TABLE
PRIVS	COLUMN
PRIVS PRIVS	GRANTOR
PRIVS	ACCESS
LUIVD	MCCEDD

⁴¹ records selected.

The dictionary table TAB allows a user to list the names of all the tables and views that that user has access privileges on. TAB also indicates if the table is a view, the name of the user who created the table (or view), and the grantee of the privileges.

Example 9-3: List user ADAM's tables.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM TAB
SQL>/

Example 9-4: Log on as user SCOTT.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL SCOTT/TIGER Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 9-5: List user SCOTT's table.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM TAB

SQL>/

TABLE	TYPE	CREATOR	GRANTEE
EMP	TABLE	SCOTT	SCOTT
DEPT	TABLE	SCOTT	SCOTT
PROJ	TABLE	SCOTT	SCOTT
EMP10	VIEW	SCOTT	SCOTT
PROJECTS	VIEW	SCOTT	SCOTT
PARIS	VIEW	SCOTT	SCOTT
PAY	VIEW	SCOTT	SCOTT
DEPT SAL	VIEW	SCOTT	SCOTT
PE	TABLE	SCOTT	SCOTT
PROJSTAFF	VIEW	SCOTT	SCOTT
PARTS	TABLE	ADAMS	SCOTT
MYSELF	VIEW	SCOTT	SCOTT
PROJSTAFF	VIEW	SCOTT	PUBLIC
MYSELF	VIEW	SCOTT	PUBLIC

14 records selected.

Example 9-6: The dictionary table COL contains the names of the columns of user defined tables.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL ADAMS/WOOD Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 9-7: List the names of the columns of user ADAMS' tables.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM COL
SQL>/

TABLE	COLUMN
PARTS PARTS PARTS DEPT DEPT DEPT EMP	PARTNO PART_NAME DEPTNO DNAME LOC EMPCNT EMPNO ENAME JOB SAL COMM DEPTNO PROJNO SUPR EMPLOYEE PROJECT EMPNO ENAME JOB SAL COMM
MYSELF MYSELF MYSELF	DEPTNO PROJNO SUPR

24 records selected.

Example 9-8: Log on as user SCOTT.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL SCOTT/TIGER Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

The dictionary table COLDEF contains the definition of columns in user tables.

Example 9-9: List the definition of the columns in the EMP table.

SQL>SELECT COLUMN, DATATYPE, LENGTH, IMAGE, NONULL SQL>FROM COLDEF
SQL>WHERE TABLE = 'EMP'
SQL>/

COLUMN	DATATYPE	LENGTH	IMAGE	NON
EMPNO	NUMBER	22	UNIQUE	YES
ENAME	CHAR	10	NON-UNIQUE	NO
JOB	CHAR	9	NON-UNIQUE	NO
SAL	NUMBER	22		NO
COMM	NUMBER	22		NO
DEPTNO	NUMBER	22	NON-UNIQUE	NO
PROJNO	NUMBER		NON-UNIQUE	NO
SUPR	NUMBER	22	NON-UNIQUE	NO

8 records selected.

VIEWS is the dictionary table that contains the SQL text of the DEFINE VIEW statement. Comments that were entered as a part of the SQL view definition are also stored in VIEWS.

Example 9-10: List the definition of the PROJECTS view.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM VIEWS
SQL>WHERE VIEW = 'PROJECTS';
SQL>/

TEXT VIEW PROJECTS DEFINE VIEW PROJECTS (PROJECT, EMPLOYEE, EMP#, LOC PROJECTS ATION) AS PNAME, ENAME, EMPNO, LOC SELECT PROJECTS PROJ, EMP, DEPT FROM PROJECTS EMP.DEPTNO = DEPT.DEPTNO WHERE PROJECTS EMP.PROJNO = PROJ.PROJNO;AND **PROJECTS**

6 records selected.

The VXREF dictionary table defines the relationship of user views to underlying tables and views. The first column contains the name of the view. The second column contains the name of the underlying table or view.

Example 9-11: List a cross reference of views and their base tables.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM VXREF
SOL>/

TABLE VIEW _____ EMP10 EMP PROJECTS EMP PAY EMP DEPT SAL EMP PROJSTAFF EMP **EMP** MYSELF PROJECTS DEPT PROJECTS PROJ PROJSTAFF PROJ **PROJECTS** PARIS PROJSTAFF PE

11 records selected.

The ORACLE dictionary allows users to obtain information about only those tables that the user has access privilges on. The user may also determine: the names of users he has directly or indirectly defined, the access privileges he holds, and the access privileges he has directly or indirectly granted.

The USERS table contains the names of all those users that were defined by the user who is currently logged on to the system. The first column in the USERS table contains the name of the defined user. The second column of the USERS table contains the name of the creating user.

Example 9-12: List the names of the users that originated with SCOTT.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM USERS
SOL>/

User ADAMS was defined directly by user SCOTT, but users JONES and CLARK were defined by ADAMS and thereby indirectly by SCOTT.

Example 9-13: Log on as user ADAMS.

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL ADAMS/WOOD Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 9-14: List the users that originated with ADAMS.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM USERS
SQL>/

USER OWNER
----JONES ADAMS
CLARK ADAMS

The PRIVS table contains access privileges held by users of the data base. Each user can only see the privileges he holds. The PRIVS table contains: the name of the table the privileges are on, the name of the column the privileges apply to, the name user who granted the privileges, and the privilege mask described below. A PRIVS table entry will only contain a column name if update privileges have been granted on a column column rather than a table basis.

Example 9-15: List all the privileges held by ADAMS.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM PRIVS
SQL>/

TABLE	COLUMN	GRANTOR	ACCESS
TABLE PARTS DEPT EMP EMP EMP TAB COL COLDEF EXPDEF VIEWS VXREF USERS DTAB DTABLES DTABLES DCOL GRANTS PRIVS PROJSTAFF	JOB DEPTNO	ADAMS SCOTT SCOTT SCOTT SCOTT ORACLE	RGIGDGUGEGMGLGCG RGXXDGUGXXMGLGCG RXIXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX
MYSELF		SCOTT	RXXXXXXXXXXXXX

¹⁹ records selected.

Note that ADAMS has all privileges on MY_EMPS and PARTS, the table and view he created. He has all but INSERT and EXPAND on the DEPT table. He has READ and INSERT without the GRANT option, and UPDATE on the JOB and DEPTNO columns of the EMP table. The diagram below describes the entries in the ACCESS column of both the PRIVS and GRANTS dictionary tables.

The G following each privilege flag indicates that the GRANT OPTION is present for that privilege. If an X is present for any privilege or grant flag, that privilege was not granted.

The GRANTS table indicates the privileges granted either directly or indirectly by the current user. The GRANTS table contains: the name of the table the privileges are on, the name of the column the privileges apply to, the name of the user who is the grantee of the privileges, and the privilege mask. A GRANTS table entry will only contain a column name if update privileges have been granted on a column rather than a table basis.

Example 9-16: List all the privileges granted by ADAMS.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM G

GRANTS

SQL>/

TABLE	COLUMN	GRANTEE	ACCESS
PARTS			RGIGDGUGEGMGLGCG RXIXDXUXEXMXLXCX

9.1 Dictionary Extensions

The user is free to expand the ORACLE data dictionary by creating additional tables, and defining views of the user tables joined to the system defined dictionary tables and views.

Example 9-17: Create a dictionary extension to contain comments on user defined tables.

SQL>CREATE TABLE TAB_COM
SQL> TABLE(CHAR(20) IMAGE UNIQUE),
SQL> COMMENT(CHAR(35))
SQL>/
Table created.

Example 9-18: Enter a comment on the EMP table into the TAB COM table.

SQL>INSERT INTO TAB_COM:
SQL> <'EMP','Information about company employees'>
SQL>/
1 record created.

Example 9-19: Define a view joining TAB from the dictionary to the TAB_COM table.

SQL>DEFINE VIEW TABC AS
SQL> SELECT TAB.TABLE, TYPE, CREATOR, COMMENT
SQL> FROM TAB, TAB_COM
SQL> WHERE TAB.TABLE=TAB_COM.TABLE;
SQL>/
View defined.

SQL>#WORKSIZE 12

Example 9-20: List the characteristics of the EMP table.

SQL>SELECT *
SQL>FROM TABC
SQL>WHERE TABLE = 'EMP'
SOL>/

TYPE CREATOR COMMENT

EMP

TABLE SCOTT Information about company employees

10. Concurrency Control Facilities

ORACLE allows multiple user to concurrently UPDATE the same table in a data base. Yet, ORACLE does not require a user to issue locking statements or statements of intent to update. The setting and clearing of locks are the responsibility of ORACLE.

No explicit lock requests are required to insure that concurrent UPDATE operations do not read the same row of a table and attempt to write back that row. ORACLE automatically places locks on individual records to synchronize UPDATE operations preventing the updates from overwriting each other.

A user may not wish to operate on data that has been modified by an operation that is still in progress. To accomplish this serialization the user can place his SQL request between BEGIN TRANSACTION and END TRANSACTION statements.

In addition, placing several SQL statements inside a transaction causes ORACLE to execute these SQL statements as an "atomic act" without permitting interference (UPDATES to the same tables) by other users during the transaction.

ORACLE's automatic update synchronization locks a record (row of a table) at a time. USER requested transactions lock a table at a time.

Example 10-1: Log on as user SCOTT

SQL>#DBS PERSONNEL SCOTT/TIGER Database 'PERSONNEL' opened.

Example 10-2: Begin a transaction to calculate the average salaries of each job group within the EMP table.

SQL>BEGIN TRANSACTION SQL>ON TABLE EMP READ SQL>/ Transaction begun.

SQL>SELECT JOB, AVG(SAL)
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>GROUP BY JOB
SQL>/

JOB	AVG(SAL)
ANALYST	\$3,000.00
CLERK	\$1,030.00
MANAGER	\$3,287.08
PRESIDENT	\$5,750.00
SALESMAN	\$1,495.00

SQL>END TRANSACTION SQL>/
Transaction ended.

In the above READ TRANSACTION, all UPDATE activity on the EMP table was suspended for the life of the transaction. All READ activity on the EMP table was allowed to continue concurrently.

Example 10-3: Execute an UPDATE TRANSACTION that gives all employees with the job of ANALYST a 10% raise.

SQL>BEGIN TRANSACTION
SQL>ON TABLE EMP UPDATE
SQL>/
Transaction begun.

SQL>UPDATE EMP
SQL>SET SAL = SAL * 1.10
SQL>WHERE JOB = 'ANALYST'
SQL>/
3 records updated.

SQL>END TRANSACTION SQL>/
Transaction ended.

In the above UPDATE TRANSACTION, all UPDATE activity on the EMP table was suspended for the life of the transaction. In addition, all READ transactions on the EMP table also waited for the UPDATE transaction to complete. READ activity on the EMP table that was not a part of a TRANSACTION was allowed to continue concurrently.

Placing several SQL statements inside a transaction causes ORACLE to execute these SQL statements as a "atomic act" without permitting interference (UPDATES to the same tables) by other users during the transaction.

Example 10-4: SELECT the count of employees in department 20 from the EMP table, and UPDATE the DEPT table with the result.

SQL>BEGIN TRANSACTION
SQL>ON TABLE EMP READ, DEPT UPDATE
SQL>/
Transaction begun.

SQL>SELECT COUNT(*)
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 20
SOL>/

COUNT(*)
----7

SQL>UPDATE DEPT
SQL>SET EMPCNT = 7
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 20
SQL>/
1 record updated.

SQL>END TRANSACTION SQL>/
Transaction ended.

If the above transaction had been done from within a program it could have used from one to three cursors: one for the BEGIN TRANSACTION, one for the query on the EMP table, and one for the UPDATE of the DEPT table.

TRANSACTIONS may be nested. If they are nested, they must be numbered.

Example 10-5: SELECT the count of employees in department 20 from the EMP table and UPDATE the DEPT table with the result as a nested transaction rather than a single transaction.

SQL>BEGIN TRANSACTION 1 SQL>ON TABLE EMP READ SQL>/ Transaction begun.

SQL>SELECT COUNT(*)
SQL>FROM EMP
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 20
SQL>/

COUNT(*)

SQL>BEGIN TRANSACTION 2 SQL>ON TABLE DEPT UPDATE SQL>/ Transaction begun.

SQL>UPDATE DEPT
SQL>SET EMPCNT = 7
SQL>WHERE DEPTNO = 20
SQL>/
1 record updated.

SQL>END TRANSACTION 2 SQL>/ Transaction ended.

SQL>END TRANSACTION 1 SQL>/
Transaction ended.

In doing the above operation as a nested transaction rather than a single transaction, the DEPT table was not locked during the query on the EMP table. This allowed update activity to continue on the DEPT table while the EMP table was being queried. This could be significant depending on the length of time it takes the query to execute. However, the nesting of transactions creates the possibility that TRANSACTION 2 will have to wait for access to the DEPT table which may be locked by another ongoing transaction. The nesting of transactions creates the possibility of deadlock. Doing the entire operation as one transaction has no potential for deadlock because once a transaction has begun, it has acquired all the data resources required for completion.

It is important to remember that the above query/update operation could have been done three different ways: 1) without placing them within a transaction; 2) as a single transaction; 3) as a nested transaction. It is up to the user to decide what level of serialization of operations he requires for a particular application.

The following chart indicates what operations on a table wait, and what operations continue when a READ, READ TRANSACTION, UPDATE OR UPDATE TRANSACTION is active on that table.

			CONCURRENCY CONTROL TABLE			
	 	READ	READ TRANS	UPDATE	UPDATE TRANS	
+-	READ	ALLOWED	ALLOWED	ALLOWED	ALLOWED	
•	READ	ALLOWED	ALLOWED	SUSPENDED	SUSPENDED	
-	UPDATE	ALLOWED	SUSPENDED	ALLOWED	SUSPENDED	
•	UPDATE	ALLOWED	SUSPENDED	SUSPENDED	SUSPENDED	