



# CSCC43H: Introduction to Databases

## Lecture 7

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# Database Management System (DBMS)

- A collection of programs that enable:
  - Defining (describing the structure),
  - Populating by data (Constructing),
  - Manipulating (querying, updating),
  - Preserving consistency,
  - Protecting from misuse,
  - Recovering from failure, and
  - Concurrent usingof a database.



# Example Database

EMPLOYEE	FirstName	Surname	Dept	Office	Salary	City
	Mary	Brown	Administration	10	45	London
	Charles	White	Production	20	36	Toulouse
	Gus	Green	Administration	20	40	Oxford
	Jackson	Neri	Distribution	16	45	Dover
	Charles	Brown	Planning	14	80	London
	Laurence	Chen	Planning	7	73	Worthing
	Pauline	Bradshaw	Administration	75	40	Brighton
	Alice	Jackson	Production	20	46	Toulouse

DEPARTMENT	DeptName	Address	City
	Administration	Bond Street	London
	Production	Rue Victor Hugo	Toulouse
	Distribution	Pond Road	Brighton
	Planning	Bond Street	London
	Research	Sunset Street	San José



# Views

- Views are "virtual tables" whose rows are computed from other tables (*base relations*).
- Syntax:  
`create view ViewName [(AttributeList)] as SelectSQL  
[with [local|cascaded] check option]`



# Views

- Examples:

```
create view AdminEmployee
  (RegNo,FirstName,Surname,Salary) as
select RegNo,FirstName,Surname,Salary
from Employee
where Dept = 'Admin' and Salary > 10;
```

```
create view JuniorAdminEmployee as
select * from AdminEmployee
where Salary < 50;
```



# Views: why?

- Simplifies SQL
- More efficient
- Usage:

```
create view X ...;  
select ...;  
drop view X;
```



## Views and Queries

- "Find the department with highest salary expenditures"
- *without using a view:*

```
select Dept from Employee
group by Dept
having sum(Salary) >= all
(select sum(Salary) from Employee
group by Dept)
```



## Views and Queries

- "Find the department with highest salary expenditures"
- using a view:

```
create view SalBudget (Dept,SalTotal) as
  select Dept,sum(Salary) from Employee
  group by Dept;
```

```
select Dept from SalBudget
  where SalTotal =
    (select max(SalTotal) from SalBudget);
```





## Views and Queries

- "Find the average number of offices per department":

**Incorrect solution** (SQL does not allow a cascade of aggregate operators):

```
select avg(count(distinct Office))
from Employee group by Dept
```

**Correct solution** (using a view):

```
create view DeptOff(Dept,NoOfOffices) as
select Dept,count(distinct Office)
from Employee group by Dept;
```

```
select avg(NoOfOffices)from DeptOffice;
```



# Data Modification in SQL

- Modification statements include:
  - Insertions (`insert`);
  - Deletions (`delete`);
  - Updates of attribute values (`update`).
- All modification statements operate on a set of tuples (no duplicates.)
- In the *condition* part of an update statement it is possible to access other relations.



# Insertions

- Syntax:

```
insert into TableName [ (AttributeList) ]  
    < values (ListOfValues) | SelectSQL >
```

- Example using **values**:

```
insert into Department (DeptName, City)  
    values ('Production', 'Toulouse');
```

- Example using a subquery:

```
insert into LondonProducts values  
    (select Code, Description  
     from Product  
     where ProdArea = 'London');
```



# Deletions

- Syntax:

```
delete from TableName [where Condition ]
```

- "Remove the Production department":

```
delete from Department  
  where DeptName = 'Production'
```

- "Remove departments with no employees":

```
delete from Department  
  where DeptName not in  
    (select Dept from Employee)
```



# Updates

## ■ Syntax:

```
update TableName
```

```
  set Attribute = < Expression | SelectSQL | null | default  
  >
```

```
{, Attribute = < Expression | SelectSQL | null | default >}  
[ where Condition ]
```

## ■ Examples:

```
update Employee set Salary = Salary + 5  
  where RegNo = 'M2047';
```



## Database Triggers

- Triggers (also known as ECA rules) are element of the database schema.
- General form:
  - on** *<event>* **when** *<condition>* **then** *<action>*
  - *Event* - request to execute database operation
  - *Condition* - predicate evaluated on database state
  - *Action* – execution of procedure that might involve database updates
- Example:
  - on** "updating maximum enrollment limit"
  - if** "# registered > new max enrollment limit "
  - then** "deregister students using LIFO policy"



# Trigger Details

- **Activation** — occurrence of the *event* that activates the trigger.
- **Consideration** — the point, after activation, when *condition* is evaluated; this can be *immediate* or *deferred*.
  - *Deferred* means that *condition* is evaluated when the database operation (*transaction*) currently executing requests to commit.
- **Condition** might refer to both the state before and the state after *event* occurs.



# Trigger Execution

- This is the point when the *action* part of the trigger is carried out.
- With deferred consideration, execution is also deferred.
- With immediate consideration, execution can occur immediately after consideration or it can be deferred
  - If execution is immediate, execution can occur before, after, or instead of triggering event.
  - Before triggers adapt naturally to maintaining integrity constraints: violation results in rejection of event.





# Event Granularity

Event granularity can be:

- **Row-level:** the event involves change of a single row,
  - This means that a single `update` statement might result in multiple events;
- **Statement-level:** here events result from the execution of a whole statement; for example, a single `update` statement that changes multiple rows constitutes a single event.



## Triggers in SQL-3

- **Events:** `insert`, `delete`, or `update` statements or changes to individual rows caused by these statements.
- **Condition:** Anything allowed in a `where` clause.
- **Action:** An individual SQL statement or a program written in the language of Procedural Stored Modules (PSM or PL/SQL) -- which can contain embedded SQL statements.



# Before-Trigger with Row Granularity

```
CREATE TRIGGER Max_EnrollCheck
BEFORE INSERT ON Transcript
  REFERENCING NEW AS N --row to be added
FOR EACH ROW
WHEN
  ((SELECT COUNT (T.StudId) FROM Transcript T
    WHERE T.CrsCode = N.CrsCode
      AND T.Semester = N.Semester)
  >=
  (SELECT C.MaxEnroll FROM Course C
    WHERE C.CrsCode = N.CrsCode ))
THEN ABORT TRANSACTION
```

*Check that  
enrollment  $\leq$   
limit*

*Action*



# After-Trigger with Row Granularity

```
CREATE TRIGGER LimitSalaryRaise
AFTER UPDATE OF Salary ON Employee
REFERENCING OLD AS O
                NEW AS N
FOR EACH ROW
WHEN (N.Salary - O.Salary > 0.05 * O.Salary)
THEN UPDATE Employee      -- action
    SET Salary = 1.05 * O.Salary
    WHERE Id = O.Id
```

*No salary raises  
greater than 5%*

[Note: The action itself is a triggering event; however, in this case a chain reaction is not possible.]



# After-Trigger with Statement Granularity

```
CREATE TRIGGER RecordNewAverage
AFTER UPDATE OF Salary ON Employee
FOR EACH STATEMENT
THEN INSERT INTO Log
VALUES (CURRENT_DATE,
        SELECT AVG (Salary)
        FROM Employee)
```

*Keep track of salary averages in the log*