

Q1. What is trigger?

- Ans.
- A database trigger is a stored procedure that automatically executes whenever an event occurs.
  - The event may be insert-update-delete operations.
  - Trigger is invoked by Oracle engine automatically whenever a specified event occurs.
  - Trigger is stored onto database and invoked repeatedly, when specific condition match.
  - Triggers could be defined on the table, view, schema, or database with which the event is associated.

Syntax:

```
CREATE [OR REPLACE] TRIGGER trigger-name
    {BEFORE | AFTER | INSTEAD OF}
    {INSERT [OR] | UPDATE [OR] DELETE}
    OF col-name]
    ON table-name
    [REFERENCING OLD AS o NEW AS n]
    FOR EACH ROW | FOR EACH STATEMENT [WHEN condition]
```

```
DECLARE
    declaration-statements
```

```
BEGIN
    executable-statements
```

```
EXCEPTION
    exception-handling-statements
```

```
END;
```

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Q2. What are the benefits of Triggers?

Ans. Triggers can have the following benefits:

→ Automation:

- Triggers can automate repetitive tasks, making them easier for developers to complete.

→ Data integrity:

- Triggers can ensure that data is valid and consistent with established standards.

→ Data logging:

- Triggers can create an audit trail of changes made to data.

→ Performance:

- Triggers can improve SQL query performance because they don't need to be compiled each time they are executed.

→ Security:

- Triggers can limit exposure of data and log access to authorized users and roles.

→ Consistency:

- Triggers can help ensure data consistency and quality.

→ Maintenance:

- Triggers can be easy to maintain.

Q3. What are Row triggers and statement triggers?

Ans.

### 1. Row Trigger

- Row trigger fire for each and every record which are performing INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE from the database table.

• If row deleting is define as trigger event, then trigger is fired, each time row is deleted from the table.

→ eg:

create or replace trigger check\_salary

Before

Insert or update of salary

on copy - EMP

For each row

Begin

If :new.salary < 500 then

Raise\_application\_error(20030, 'minimum salary is 500');

End if;

End;

### 2. Statement Trigger

- Statement trigger fire only once for each statement.
- If row deleting is defined as trigger event, then trigger is fired, as all five rows are deleted from the table.

→ eg:

create a replace trigger dept\_check\_time

Before

Insert or update or delete

ON departments

Begin

If to-number (to\_char(sysdate, 'hh24')) not

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between 7 and 15 then  
Raise application - error C-0010, (DML operations  
not allowed now);

End of;

End;

Q4. ~~what~~ why are we using Before and After triggers?

Ans.

1. BEFORE Trigger:

- BEFORE trigger execute before the triggering DML statement (INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE) execute.
- Triggering SQL statement may or may not execute, depending on the BEFORE trigger conditions block.

→ eg:

```
CREATE TRIGGER before_insert_occupation  
BEFORE INSERT ON employee FOR EACH ROW  
BEGIN  
    IF NEW.occupation = 'Scientist' THEN SET  
        NEW.occupation = 'Doctor';  
    END IF;
```

```
END;  
/
```

2. AFTER Trigger:

- AFTER trigger execute after the triggering DML statement (INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE) executed.
- Triggering SQL statement is execute as soon as followed by the code of trigger before performing Database operation.

eg:

```

CREATE Trigger after_insert_details
AFTER INSERT ON student_info FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
INSERT INTO student_detail VALUES (new.stud_id,
                                     new.stud_code,
                                     new.stud_name, new.subject, new.marks,
                                     new.phone, CURTIME ());
END;
/
    
```

Q5 What is Insert, Update and Delete Triggers?

Ans: 1. INSERT Trigger:

- Insert trigger on MySQL is invoked automatically whenever an insert event occurs on the table

- Syntax:

```

CREATE TRIGGER trigger_name
AFTER INSERT
ON table_name FOR each row
trigger-body;
    
```

2. UPDATE Trigger:

- The UPDATE trigger in MySQL is invoked automatically whenever an UPDATE event is fired on the table associated with the triggers.

- Syntax:

```

CREATE TRIGGER trigger_name
AFTER UPDATE
ON table_name FOR EACH ROW
trigger-body;
    
```

3. DELETE Trigger:

- The DELETE trigger in MySQL is invoked & automatically whenever a delete event is fired on the table.

• ~~In this~~ syntax:

```
CREATE TRIGGER trigger-name
```

```
UPDATE/DELETE
```

```
ON table-name FOR EACH ROW
```

```
trigger-body;
```