Using Single-Row Functions to Customize Output



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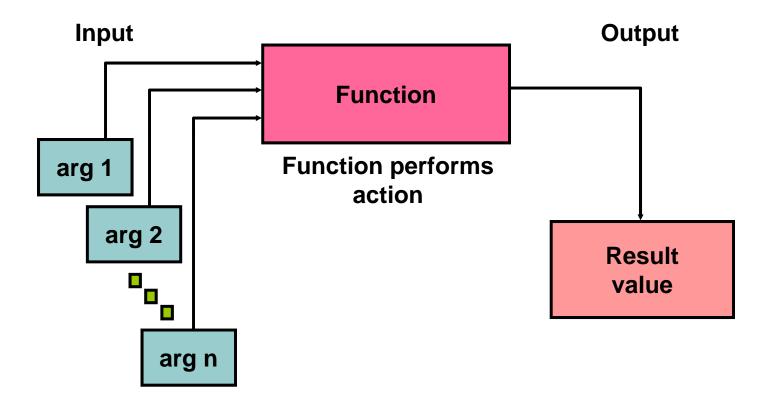
Objectives

After completing this lesson, you should be able to do the following:

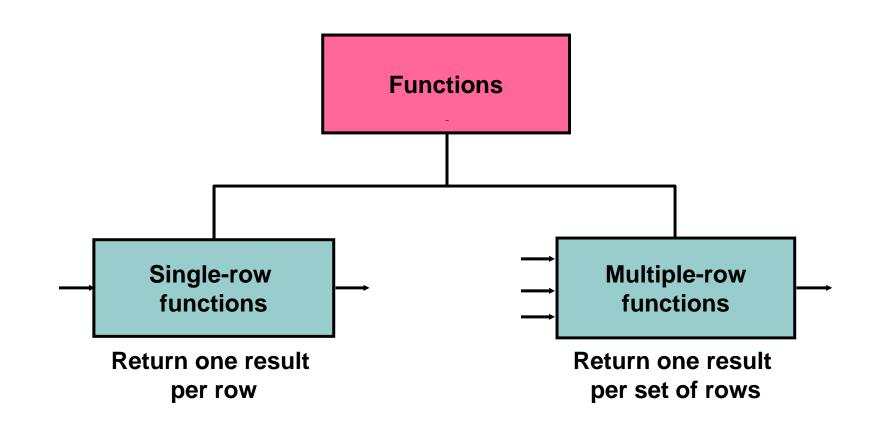
- Describe various types of functions that are available in SQL
- Use character, number, and date functions in SELECT statements
- Describe the use of conversion functions



SQL Functions



Two Types of SQL Functions



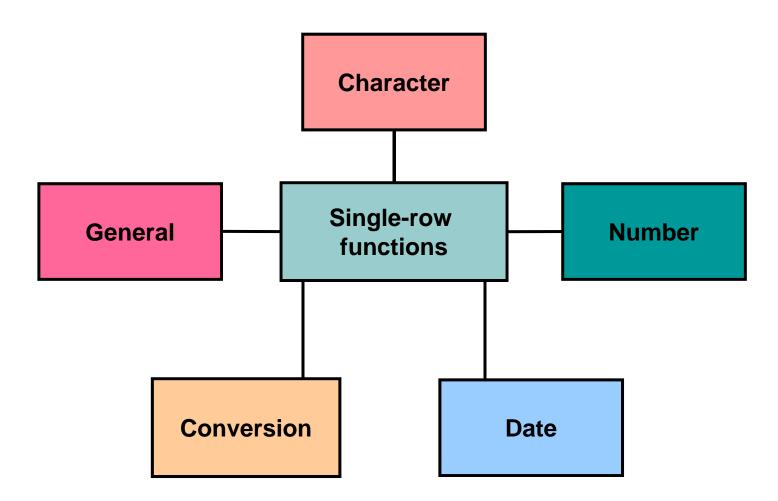
Single-Row Functions

Single-row functions:

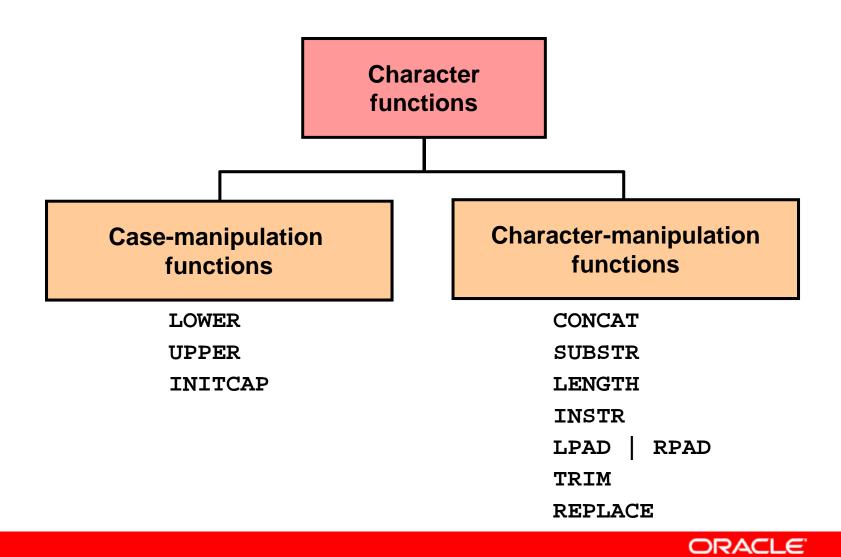
- Manipulate data items
- Accept arguments and return one value
- Act on each row that is returned
- Return one result per row
- May modify the data type
- Can be nested
- Accept arguments that can be a column or an expression

function_name [(arg1, arg2,...)]

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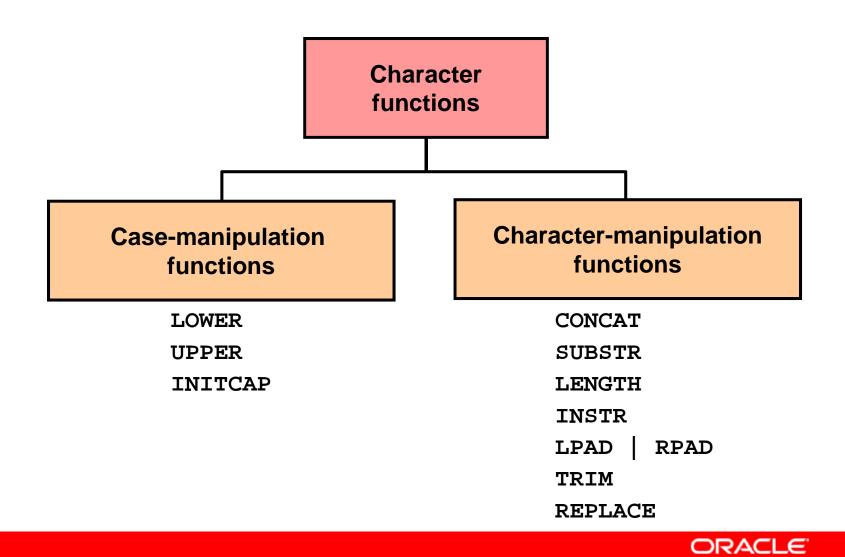


Character Functions



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Case-Manipulation Functions

These functions convert case for character strings:

Function	Result
LOWER('SQL Course')	sql course
UPPER('SQL Course')	SQL COURSE
INITCAP('SQL Course')	Sql Course



Using Case-Manipulation Functions

Display the employee number, name, and department number for employee Higgins:

FROM WHERE	<pre>employee_id, last_name, department_id employees last_name = 'higgins'; selected</pre>
FROM	<pre>employee_id, last_name, department_id employees LOWER(last_name) = 'higgins';</pre>

EMPLOYEE_ID	LAST_NAME	DEPARTMENT_ID
205	Higgins	110

Character-Manipulation Functions

These functions manipulate character strings:

Function	Result
CONCAT('Hello', 'World')	HelloWorld
SUBSTR('HelloWorld',1,5)	Hello
LENGTH('HelloWorld')	10
<pre>INSTR('HelloWorld', 'W')</pre>	6
LPAD(salary,10,'*')	****24000
RPAD(salary, 10, '*')	24000****
REPLACE ('JACK and JUE','J','BL')	BLACK and BLUE
TRIM('H' FROM 'HelloWorld')	elloWorld

Using the Character-Manipulation Functions

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SELECT	<pre>employee_id, CONCAT(first_name, last_name) NAME, job_id, LENGTH (last_name);</pre>
	INSTR(last_name, 'a') "Contains 'a'?"
FROM	employees
WHERE	<pre>SUBSTR(job_id, 4) = 'REP';</pre>

EMPLOYEE_ID	NAME	JOB_ID	LENGTH(LAST_NAME)	Contains 'a'?
174	EllenAbel	SA_REP	4	0
176	JonathonTaylor	SA_REP	6	2
178	KimberelyGrant	SA_REP	5	3
202	PatFay	MK_REP	3	2
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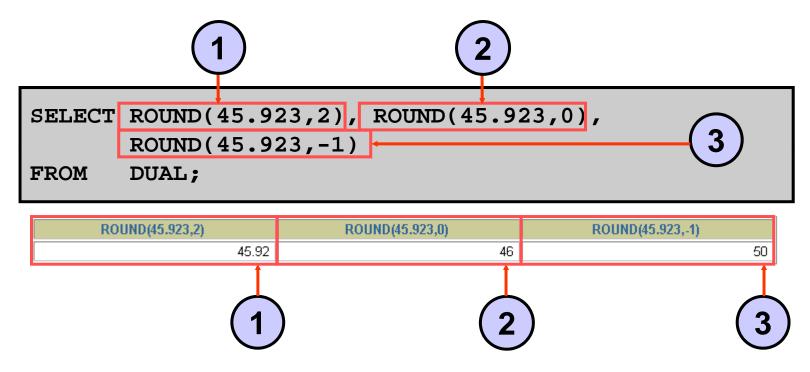
Number Functions

- ROUND: Rounds value to specified decimal
- TRUNC: Truncates value to specified decimal
- MOD: Returns remainder of division

Function	Result
ROUND(45.926, 2)	45.93
TRUNC(45.926, 2)	45.92
MOD(1600, 300)	100

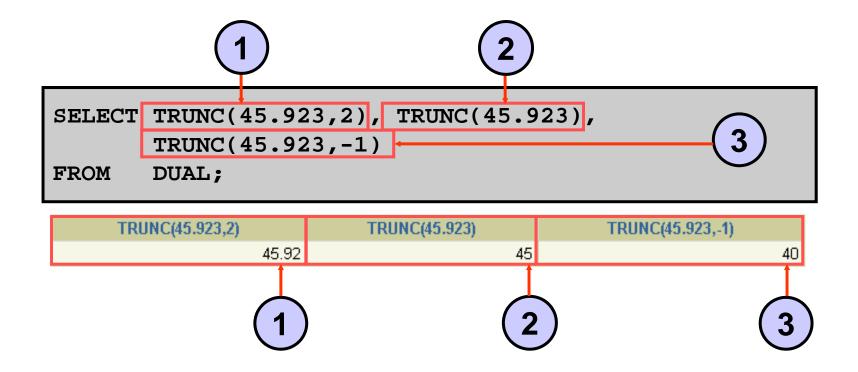


Using the ROUND Function



DUAL is a dummy table that you can use to view results from functions and calculations.

Using the TRUNC Function



Using the MOD Function

For all employees with job title of Sales Representative, calculate the remainder of the salary after it is divided by 5,000.

SELECT	last_name, salary, MOD(salary, 5000)
FROM	employees
WHERE	job_id = 'SA_REP';

LAST_NAME	SALARY	MOD(SALARY,5000)
Abel	11000	1000
Taylor	8600	3600
Grant	7000	2000



Working with Dates

- The Oracle database stores dates in an internal numeric format: century, year, month, day, hours, minutes, and seconds.
- The default date display format is DD-MON-RR.
 - Enables you to store 21st-century dates in the 20th century by specifying only the last two digits of the year
 - Enables you to store 20th-century dates in the 21st century in the same way

SELECT last_name, hire_date FROM employees WHERE hire_date < '01-FEB-	
LAST_NAME	HIRE_DATE
King	17-JUN-87
Whalen	17-SEP-87



Working with Dates

SYSDATE is a function that returns:

- Date
- Time



Arithmetic with Dates

- Add or subtract a number to or from a date for a resultant date value.
- Subtract two dates to find the number of days between those dates.
- Add hours to a date by dividing the number of hours by 24.



Using Arithmetic Operators with Dates

SELECT	last_name,	(SYSDATE-hire_date)/7 AS WEEKS
FROM	employees	
WHERE	department_	_id = 90;

LAST_NAME	WEEKS
King	744.245395
Kochhar	626.102538
De Haan	453.245395



Date Functions

Function	Result
MONTHS_BETWEEN	Number of months between two dates
ADD_MONTHS	Add calendar months to date
NEXT_DAY	Next day of the date specified
LAST_DAY	Last day of the month
ROUND	Round date
TRUNC	Truncate date



Using Date Functions

Function	Result
MONTHS_BETWEEN	19.6774194
('01-SEP-95','11-JAN-94')	
ADD_MONTHS ('11-JAN-94',6)	'11-JUL-94'
NEXT_DAY ('01-SEP-95','FRIDAY')	'08-SEP-95'
LAST_DAY ('01-FEB-95')	'28-FEB-95'



Using Date Functions

Assume SYSDATE = '25-JUL-03':

Function	Result
ROUND (SYSDATE, 'MONTH')	01-AUG-03
ROUND(SYSDATE ,'YEAR')	01-JAN-04
TRUNC(SYSDATE ,'MONTH')	01-JUL-03
TRUNC(SYSDATE ,'YEAR')	01-JAN-03



Practice 3: Overview of Part 1

This practice covers the following topics:

- Writing a query that displays the current date
- Creating queries that require the use of numeric, character, and date functions
- Performing calculations of years and months of service for an employee

