

## Basic Syntax of PL/SQL

PL/SQL → block structured language i.e. programs are divided and written in logical blocks of code.

Each block consists of three subparts

- ① Declarations.
  - ② Executable commands.
  - ③ Exception Handling.
- ① - Starts with the keyword `DECLARE`
    - optional
    - Defines all variables, cursors, subprograms and other elements.
  - ② - Enclosed between the keyword `BEGIN` and `END`.
    - mandatory section.
    - Should have at least one executable line of code.
    - may be just a `NULL` command.
  - ③ - Starts with the keyword `EXCEPTION`
    - optional
    - contains exception(s) that handle errors in the program.

`DECLARE`

`< declarations section >`

`BEGIN`

`< executable command(s) >`

`EXCEPTION`

`< exception handling >`

`END;`

### Note

Every PL/SQL statement ends with a semicolon (;) and last a slash (/) included.

at first blank line after last line of code.

- to run the code from the command line.

- 'Hello world' program

`DECLARE`

`message varchar2(20) := 'Hello world';`

```
BEGIN  
  dbms_output.put_line(message);
```

```
END;
```

/ PL/SQL identifiers

- constants, variables, exceptions, procedures, cursors and reserved words
- consists of letter (a) followed by numerals, dollar signs, underscores and number signs
- Not exceed 30 characters
- Not case-sensitive

PL/SQL delimiters

' symbol with a special meaning

+ , - , \* , / → Addition, sub

Example Program

set serveroutput on

```
DECLARE
```

```
message varchar(20) := 'Hello World';
```

```
BEGIN
```

```
  dbms_output.put_line(message);
```

```
END;
```

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O/p Hello World

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.



## Sum of two numbers.

DECLARE

x number(5);

y number(5);

c number(5);

BEGIN

x := 3

y := 4

c := x + y;

dbms\_output.put\_line('sum is ' || c);

END;

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O/P Sum is 7.

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

DECLARE

x number(5);

y number(5);

c number(5);

BEGIN

x := 4x;

y := 4y;

c := x + y;

dbms\_output.put\_line('sum is ' || c);

END;

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(641 line numbers)

O/P Enter value for x: 5

old 6: x := 4x;

new 6: x := 5;

Enter value for y: 4

old 7: y := 4y;

new 7: y := 4;

Sum is 9.

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

## PL/SQL

- All SQL queries including select, insert, update - can be performed within the 'begin' and 'end' of PL/SQL block.

### Assigning SQL queries results to PL/SQL variables.

- use SELECT INTO statement.
- For each item in the 'SELECT' list, there must be a corresponding type-compatible variable in the 'INTO' list.
- Eg: customer (id, name, age, address, salary)
- To assign values from above table to PL/SQL variables.

DECLARE

cid customer.id %type;

cname customer.name %type;

caddr customer.address %type;

cage customer.age %type;

csal customer.salary %type;

BEGIN

SELECT name, address, salary INTO cname, caddr, csal FROM  
customer where id = cid;

dbms\_output.put\_line('customer' || cname || 'from' || caddr ||  
'earn' || csal);

END;

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## Cursor

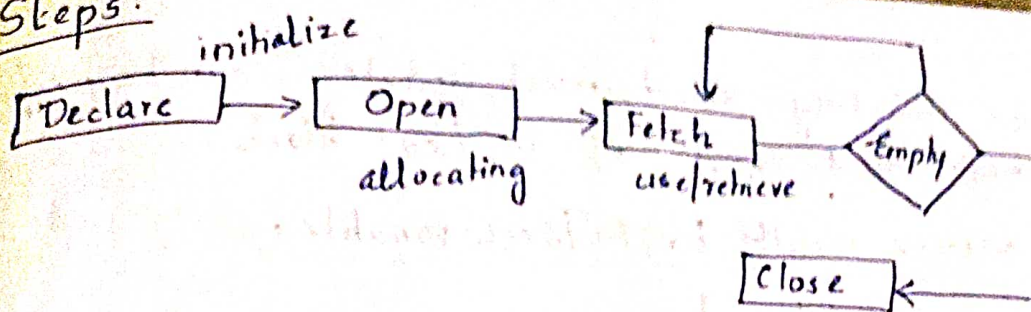
- Oracle creates a memory area - 'context area' for processing an SQL statement.
- A cursor is a 'pointer' to this context area.
- Holds the rows returned by a SQL statement.
- The set of rows cursor holds  $\Rightarrow$  'active set'
- To work with one row or a subset of result set of SQL, cursors used.

### Types of cursors.

- \* Implicit cursors  $\rightarrow$  Automatically created by oracle, when an SQL statement is executed.



## Steps.



## Declare - syntax.

CURSOR cursor-name [ ([parameter! ... [.]]) ]

[RETURN return type specification] IS SQL-select-statements

[FOR update [of [columnlist]]];

## Open - syntax.

OPEN cursor-name [ (argument, [argument2] ..) ] ;

## Fetch - syntax.

FETCH cursor-name INTO record or variables.

- to check if fetched or succeeded or not use.

" % FOUND" or "% NOT FOUND" attributes.

- to loop through all records use "Loop" statement.

## Syntax

Loop

fetch cursor-name into record-name;

exit when cursor-name % NOT FOUND;

dbms-output.put-line (record-name / fieldname)

end loop;

## Close - Syntax

close cursor-name;

## PL/SQL function.

— named block that returns a single value.

(Procedure multiple values returns)

### Syntax

```
CREATE [OR REPLACE] FUNCTION fn-name  
[ (parameter,1 [IN] [OUT] datatype,  
----- ] )
```

```
RETURN return_datatype IS/AS
```

```
BEGIN
```

```
    return return_datatype;
```

```
EXCEPTION
```

```
    END;
```

```
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```

IN → to pass parameters into function.

OUT → return value back to the calling program.

IN OUT → same parameter as i/p and o/p

### Eg of PL/SQL function.

```
create or replace function [n1 IN number  
n2 IN number]
```

```
RETURN number
```

```
is
```

```
n3 number (8);
```

```
begin
```

```
n3 = n1 + n2;
```

```
return n3;
```

```
END;
```

```
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```

To call the function.

```
DECLARE
```

```
    n3 number(2);
```

```
BEGIN
```

```
n3 := add (11, 22);
```

```
dbms_output.put_line (n3)
```

```
end;
```



## Triggers

- stored programs, which are automatically executed or fired when some event occur.
- They are written to be executed in response to any of the following events.

- ① DML statement.
- ② DDL statement.
- ③ A database operation like startup, shutdown, logout, logoff, server etc.

## Syntax

Create [or replace] trigger triggername

{ BEFORE / AFTER / INSTEAD OF } *creating trigger on a view.*

{ INSERT [OR] | UPDATE [OR] | DELETE }

[OF col\_name]

ON tablename

[REFERENCING OLD AS O . NEW AS ]

[FOR EACH ROW]

*\ refer new & old value from DML*

WHEN (condition)

DECLARE

Declaration stt.

Begin

Executable stts.

- Exception

exception handling stts.

end ;

### Example.

create or replace trigger sqlchange  
Before delete or insert or update on  
customers

for each row

when (new.id > 0)

declare

sal\_diff number;

Begin

sal\_diff := :NEW.salary - :OLD.salary;

O/P (:OLD.salary);

" (:new.salary);

end;

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To check if it is executed

DECLARE

tot\_rows number (2);

Begin

update customers

set salary = salary + 5000;

if sql % not found then

O/P ('not updated').

else if sql % found then

tot\_rows := sql % row count;

O/P (tot\_rows || 'customers update')

end if;

end;

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view → virtual tables

- An SQL statement that is stored in the db with an associated name.
- created using 'CREATE VIEW stt'.
- created from a single table, multiple tables or another view.
- It can be dropped with DROP VIEW <view-name>

CREATE VIEW viewname as

SELECT column1, column2 - -

FROM table (c) name

WHERE [condition]

- can be updated, insert/delete values to/from it.

Eg; CUSTOMERS (ID, NAME, AGE, ADDRESS, SALARY)

CREATE VIEW COST\_VIEW AS

SELECT name, age FROM CUSTOMERS;