

*** EXPERIMENT NO: 05 ***

Aim : To write and execute PL/SQL blocks (with exception handling) and Cursors using Oracle 11g.

Problem Statement : Establish the database relation EMPLOYEE and populate it with sample records. The logical schema of EMPLOYEE table is -

EMPLOYEE (EID, FNAME, LNAME, BIRTHDATE, GENDER, SSN, HIREDATE, SALARY, DEPARTMENT, DESIGNATION)

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QUERY-01: Write SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that will

insert 5 tuples into EXAM. Ensure to commit the populated records.

Test the insertion in EXAM by displaying its contents.

/*

Create a table EMPP (contains no records at creation) that includes EID, ENAME (column combining FNAME and LNAME with embedded blank), HIREDATE, DESIGNATION and SALARY from EMPLOYEE table. Enforce entity integrity constraints on EID. Verify table creation, contents and constraints.

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```
BEGIN
    FOR I IN 1001 .. 1005 LOOP
        INSERT INTO EXAM (UROLL, COURSE, EXAMDT)
        VALUES (TO_NUMBER(I), 'DBMS', '20-SEP-2021');
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('INSERTED RECORD FOR UROLL :=
'||I);
    END LOOP;
COMMIT;
END;
/
```

INSERTED RECORD FOR UROLL := 1001

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INSERTED RECORD FOR UROLL := 1002
INSERTED RECORD FOR UROLL := 1003
INSERTED RECORD FOR UROLL := 1004
INSERTED RECORD FOR UROLL := 1005
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```
SELECT *
FROM EXAM;
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```
      UROLL  COUR  EXAMDT
-----
1001  DBMS  20-SEP-21
1002  DBMS  20-SEP-21
1003  DBMS  20-SEP-21
1004  DBMS  20-SEP-21
1005  DBMS  20-SEP-21
```

5 rows selected.

```
CREATE TABLE EMPP
AS (SELECT ENO AS EID,FNAME||' '||LNAME AS ENAME,HIREDATE,DESIGNATION,SALARY
FROM EMPLOYEE
WHERE 1=2);
```

Table created.

```
ALTER TABLE EMPP
ADD
CONSTRAINT EMPP_PK_EID PRIMARY KEY (EID);
```

Table altered.

```
SELECT CONSTRAINT_NAME,CONSTRAINT_TYPE
FROM USER_CONSTRAINTS
WHERE UPPER(TABLE_NAME)='EMPP';
```

CONSTRAINT_NAME	
-----	-
SYS_C007770	C
SYS_C007769	C
SYS_C007768	C
SYS_C007767	C
EMPP_PK_EID	P

5 rows selected.

```
SELECT *
FROM EMPP;
```

no rows selected

```
DESC EMPP
```

Name	Null?	Type
-----	-----	-----
EID	NOT NULL	NUMBER(4)
ENAME		VARCHAR2(21)
HIREDATE	NOT NULL	DATE
DESIGNATION	NOT NULL	VARCHAR2(15)
SALARY	NOT NULL	NUMBER(8,2)

QUERY-02: Write SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that

will use %TYPE variables to populate the EMPP table with corresponding tuples

in EMPLOYEE table.

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/*
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```
    Create a table MENTEE (contains no records at creation) that includes
    Staff Number, Staff Name, Student Name (column combining FNAME and
    LNAME
    with embedded blank), Roll Number and registration date from STUDENT
    and
    STAFF tables. Enforce entity integrity constraints on combination of
```

Staff Number and Roll Number. Verify table creation, contents and constraints.

*/

DECLARE

I EMPP.EID%TYPE;

J EMPP.ENAME%TYPE;

K EMPP.HIREDATE%TYPE;

L EMPP.SALARY%TYPE;

M EMPP.DESIGNATION%TYPE;

BEGIN

FOR I IN 7101..7117 LOOP

SELECT FNAME||' '||LNAME AS ENAME,HIREDATE,SALARY,DESIGNATION

INTO J,K,L,M

FROM EMPLOYEE

WHERE ENO=I;

INSERT INTO EMPP(EID,ENAME,HIREDATE,SALARY,DESIGNATION)

VALUES(I,J,K,L,M);

DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED

RECORD OF EID := '||I);

END LOOP;

END;

/

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7101

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7102

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7103

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7104

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7105

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7106

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7107

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7108

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7109

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7110

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7111

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7112

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7113

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7114

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7115

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7116

SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED RECORD OF EID := 7117

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```
CREATE TABLE MENTEE AS
(SELECT S1.SID AS STAFF_NUMBER,
       S1.NAME AS STAFF_NAME,
       S2.FNAME||' '||S2.LNAME AS STUDENT_NAME,
       S2.ROLL AS ROLL,
       S2.REG_DT AS REG_DT
FROM STAFF S1 JOIN STUDENT S2
ON S1.SID = S2.ADVISOR AND 1=2);
```

Table created.

```
ALTER TABLE MENTEE
ADD
PRIMARY KEY (STAFF_NUMBER,ROLL);
```

Table altered.

```
SELECT *
FROM MENTEE;
```

no rows selected

```
SELECT CONSTRAINT_NAME,CONSTRAINT_TYPE
FROM USER_CONSTRAINTS
WHERE UPPER(TABLE_NAME)='MENTEE';
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CONSTRAINT_NAME	C
-----	-
SYS_C007789	C
SYS_C007791	C
SYS_C007790	C
SYS_C007792	P

4 rows selected.

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*****
QUERY-03: Write SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that
will use %ROWTYPE variables to populate the MENTEE table with corresponding
tuples from Academic Schema.
*****
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```
DECLARE
    M_REC MENTEE%ROWTYPE;
    CURSOR M_REC_CUR IS
        SELECT S1.SID,S1.NAME,S2.FNAME||' '||S2.LNAME,S2.ROLL,S2.REG_DT
        FROM STAFF S1,STUDENT S2
        WHERE S1.SID = S2.ADVISOR;
BEGIN
    OPEN M_REC_CUR;
    LOOP
        FETCH M_REC_CUR INTO M_REC;
        EXIT WHEN M_REC_CUR%NOTFOUND;
        INSERT INTO MENTEE VALUES M_REC;
    END LOOP;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(SQL%ROWCOUNT||
END;
/
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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*****
QUERY-04: Write SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL
block that will display the contents of MENTEE table without using
declared variables. You should format the output using RPAD() and/
or LPAD(), while including proper headers in the result.
*****
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```
BEGIN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('  STAFF_NUMBER
                        STAFF_NAME
                        STUDENT_NAME  ROLL  REG_DT  ');
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('=====
                        =====
                        =====
                        =====');
    FOR CUR IN (SELECT * FROM MENTEE)
    LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(CUR.STAFF_NUMBER,14)||' '||
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RPAD(CUR.STAFF_NAME,25)||' '||
RPAD(CUR.STUDENT_NAME,28)||' '||
RPAD(CUR.ROLL,3)||' '||RPAD(CUR.REG_DT,9));

END LOOP;

END;
/

```

STAFF_NUMBER REG_DT	STAFF_NAME	STUDENT_NAME	ROLL
=====	=====	=====	=====
=====			
101 JUL-18	Kamalkant Marathe	Afra Sayed	1 20-
104 JUL-18	Aasawari Deodhar	Akansha Wasalu	2 20-
108 JUL-18	Jasmine Arora	Anjali Rajendran	3 19-
109 JUL-18	Vallabh Pai	Aradhita Menghal	4 07-
101 JUL-18	Kamalkant Marathe	Ritul Deshmukh	11 18-
104 JUL-18	Aasawari Deodhar	Sakshi Nema	12 07-
108 JUL-18	Jasmine Arora	Shreya Agnihotri	13 07-
109 JUL-18	Vallabh Pai	Shrishti Shukla	14 19-
101 JUL-18	Kamalkant Marathe	Aayush Muley	31 19-
104 JUL-18	Aasawari Deodhar	Abhishek Chohan	32 07-
108 JUL-18	Jasmine Arora	Adesh Kotgirwar	33 20-
109 AUG-18	Vallabh Pai	Adhney Nawghare	34 08-
101 JUL-18	Kamalkant Marathe	Ayush Gupta	41 12-
104 JUL-18	Aasawari Deodhar	Chaitanya Kapre	42 25-
108 JUL-18	Jasmine Arora	Dev Paliwal	43 21-
109 JUL-18	Vallabh Pai	Gaurav Shukla	44 17-
109 JUL-18	Vallabh Pai	Keshubh Sharma	53 20-

108 AUG-18	Jasmine Arora	Kunal Thorane	54	08-
104 JUL-18	Aasawari Deodhar	Mehul Khandhadiya	55	19-
101 JUL-18	Kamalkant Marathe	Nikhil Tiwari	56	04-
104 JUL-18	Aasawari Deodhar	Rishikesh Kale	63	07-
108 JUL-18	Jasmine Arora	Ritik Parashar	64	19-
101 AUG-18	Kamalkant Marathe	Rohit Chandani	65	08-
109 JUL-18	Vallabh Pai	Shubham Jha	78	12-
108 JUL-18	Jasmine Arora	Yaman Kushwah	79	17-
104 JUL-18	Aasawari Deodhar	Yash Bhageriya	80	19-
109 JUL-16	Vallabh Pai	Renuka Soni	30	25-
108 JUL-16	Jasmine Arora	Mayank Rangari	87	25-
102 JUL-18	Adishesh Vidyarthi	Ketki Fadnavis	5	14-
110 JUL-18	Harmeet Kullar	Lalita Sharma	6	10-
102 JUL-18	Adishesh Vidyarthi	Simran Baheti	15	20-
110 JUL-18	Harmeet Kullar	Urvi Negi	16	19-
102 JUL-18	Adishesh Vidyarthi	Akshat Chandak	35	20-
110 AUG-18	Harmeet Kullar	Amey Chole	36	08-
110 JUL-18	Harmeet Kullar	Gursewak Virdi	45	07-
102 AUG-19	Adishesh Vidyarthi	Saurabh Khandagale	46	10-
102 JUL-18	Adishesh Vidyarthi	Paritosh Dandekar	57	14-
110 JUL-18	Harmeet Kullar	Pavankumar Gupta	58	03-
110 JUL-18	Harmeet Kullar	Rushil Parikh	71	07-
102 JUL-18	Adishesh Vidyarthi	Sankalp Pandey	72	07-

102 JUL-18	Adishesh Vidyarthi	Yash Daware	81	20-
110 JUL-18	Harmeet Kullar	Yash Roy	82	07-
110 JUL-17	Harmeet Kullar	Love Sharnagat	68	25-
103 JUL-18	Manishi Singh	Muskan Gupta	7	19-
106 JUL-18	Deo Narayan Mishra	Prateeksha Devikar	8	13-
106 AUG-19	Deo Narayan Mishra	Deepali Pathe	17	10-
103 AUG-19	Manishi Singh	Prachi Bhanuse	18	11-
103 JUL-18	Manishi Singh	Amit Ray	37	20-
106 JUL-18	Deo Narayan Mishra	Aryan Pandharipande	38	07-
106 AUG-19	Deo Narayan Mishra	Ganesh Thakur	47	22-
103 AUG-19	Manishi Singh	Manishkumar Pardhi	48	23-
103 JUL-18	Manishi Singh	Rahul Agrawal	59	16-
106 JUL-18	Deo Narayan Mishra	Rajat Chandak	60	20-
103 JUL-18	Manishi Singh	Saurabh Sushir	73	07-
106 JUL-17	Deo Narayan Mishra	Shardul Nimbalkar	74	28-
106 JUL-18	Deo Narayan Mishra	Yash Dhamecha	83	21-
103 JUL-18	Manishi Singh	Yash Jain	84	03-
103 JUL-17	Manishi Singh	Anujesh Soni	67	25-
105 JUL-18	Geetika Goenka	Priyal Taori	9	19-
107 AUG-18	Sanjeev Bamireddy	Rashi Chouksey	10	08-
107 AUG-19	Sanjeev Bamireddy	Siddhi Tripathi	19	31-
105 JUL-18	Geetika Goenka	Atharva Uplanchiwar	39	07-
107 JUL-18	Sanjeev Bamireddy	Atharva Paliwal	40	20-

105 JUL-18	Geetika Goenka	Harsh Karwa	51	11-
107 AUG-18	Sanjeev Bamireddy	Jayesh Kapse	52	08-
107 JUL-18	Sanjeev Bamireddy	Ram Agrawal	61	19-
105 JUL-18	Geetika Goenka	Raunak Khandelwal	62	19-
105 JUL-18	Geetika Goenka	Shashank Tapas	75	07-
107 JUL-18	Sanjeev Bamireddy	Shivam Bagadia	76	20-
105 JUL-18	Geetika Goenka	Shreyas Nemani	77	20-
105 JUL-18	Geetika Goenka	Yogesh Siral	85	21-
107 JUL-17	Sanjeev Bamireddy	Shapath Pandey	86	27-
107 JUL-17	Sanjeev Bamireddy	Ayush Singh	66	27-
109 AUG-19	Vallabh Pai	Naveen Namjoshi	88	14-
110 AUG-19	Harmeet Kullar	Tushar Tipnis	89	14-

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

QUERY-05: Write SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that will display the system date. Use exception (exception VALUE_ERROR) to check if the variable holding the system date is large enough in size.

Re-execute the block with appropriate modification to test the exception.

```

DECLARE
    DT DATE := SYSDATE;
BEGIN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('DATE');
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('=====');
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(DT));
END;
/

```

```
DATE
=====
16-SEP-21
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```
DECLARE
    DT DATE := SYSDATE;
BEGIN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('DATE');
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('=====');
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(DT));
EXCEPTION
    WHEN VALUE_ERROR THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('SIZE OF VARIABLE EXCEEDED');
END;
/
```

```
DATE
=====
16-SEP-21
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

QUERY-06: Write SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that will check (say, for employee number 7108) whether an employee is entitled to receive the longevity bonus. Longevity bonus is given to employees with minimum 12 year of service. Now, re-execute the block to extend longevity bonus to employees with 10 years of service.

```
DECLARE
    ID NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_ID;
    A EMPLOYEE%ROWTYPE;
BEGIN
    SELECT * INTO A
    FROM EMPLOYEE
    WHERE ENO = ID;
    IF EXTRACT(YEAR FROM SYSDATE)-EXTRACT(YEAR FROM A.HIREDATE)>=12 THEN
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        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('EMPLOYEE ELIGIBLE FOR LONGEVITY BONUS');
    ELSE
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('EMPLOYEE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR LONGEVITY BONUS');
    END IF;
END;
/

```

```

Enter value for employee_id: 7111
old 2: ID NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_ID;
new 2: ID NUMBER(4) := 7111;
EMPLOYEE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR LONGEVITY BONUS

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```

DECLARE
    ID NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_ID;
    A EMPLOYEE%ROWTYPE;
BEGIN
    SELECT * INTO A
    FROM EMPLOYEE
    WHERE ENO = ID;
    IF EXTRACT(YEAR FROM SYSDATE)-EXTRACT(YEAR FROM A.HIREDATE)>=10 THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('EMPLOYEE ELIGIBLE FOR LONGEVITY BONUS');
    ELSE
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('EMPLOYEE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR LONGEVITY BONUS');
    END IF;
END;
/

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```

Enter value for employee_id: 7110
old 2: ID NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_ID;
new 2: ID NUMBER(4) := 7110;
EMPLOYEE ELIGIBLE FOR LONGEVITY BONUS

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PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

QUERY-07: Write SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that will locate the first August born employee. Re-write and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that will locate the first August born employee, when EMPLOYEE table is searched in reversed order.

```
DECLARE
    A EMPLOYEE%ROWTYPE;
BEGIN
    SELECT *
    INTO A
    FROM EMPLOYEE
    WHERE UPPER(TO_CHAR(BIRTHDATE, 'MON'))='AUG'
    AND ROWNUM=1;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(A.ENO)||' '||A.FNAME||' '||A.LNAME);
END;
/
```

7114 Larry Gomes

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```
DECLARE
    A EMPLOYEE%ROWTYPE;
BEGIN
    SELECT *
    INTO A
    FROM EMPLOYEE
    WHERE UPPER(TO_CHAR(BIRTHDATE, 'MON'))='AUG'
    AND ROWNUM=1
    ORDER BY ENO DESC;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(A.ENO)||' '||A.FNAME||' '||A.LNAME);
END;
/
```

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PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

QUERY-08: Write SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that accept staff ID from the console and will display staff details for said staff. A system exception, NO_DATA_FOUND should be cached when the mentioned staff does not exist.

/*

Create table PAYSCALE, that includes fields - DESIGNATION (15 alphanumeric characters), MINPAY (5 digits), MAXPAY (5 digits). Entity Integrity is maintained on DESIGNATION, with plausible values - Professor, Research Asst., Asst. Professor, Teaching Asst., and Asst. Professor.

Add following tuples to PAYSCALE table.

Professor, 140000, 200000

Asst. Professor, 100000, 140000

Asst. Professor, 50000, 90000

Teaching Asst., 20000, 32500

Research Asst., 30000, 45000

*/

DECLARE

 ID NUMBER(3) := &STAFF_ID;

 A STAFF%ROWTYPE;

BEGIN

 SELECT * INTO A FROM STAFF WHERE SID=ID;

 DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('STAFF ID := '||A.SID);

 DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('STAFF NAME := '||A.NAME);

 DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('STAFF BRANCH := '||A.BRANCH);

 DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('STAFF DESIGNATION := '||A.DESG);

 DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('STAFF JOINING DATE := '||A.JOIN_DT);

EXCEPTION

 WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN

 DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('NO DATA FOUND OF STAFF ID '||ID);

END;

/

Enter value for staff_id: 105

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old 2:      ID NUMBER(3) := &STAFF_ID;
new 2:      ID NUMBER(3) := 105;
STAFF ID := 105
STAFF NAME := Geetika Goenka
STAFF BRANCH := CSEC
STAFF DESIGNATION := Professor
STAFF JOINING DATE := 15-NOV-09
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```
CREATE TABLE PAYSCALE (
    DESIGNATION VARCHAR2(15) NOT NULL,
    MINPAY NUMBER(8,2) NOT NULL,
    MAXPAY NUMBER(8,2) NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PAYSCALE_PK_DESIGNATION PRIMARY KEY (DESIGNATION)
);
```

Table created.

```
INSERT INTO PAYSCALE
VALUES ('Professor',140000.00,200000.00);
```

1 row created.

```
INSERT INTO PAYSCALE
VALUES ('Asso. Professor',100000.00,140000.00);
```

1 row created.

```
INSERT INTO PAYSCALE
VALUES ('Asst. Professor',50000.00,90000.00);
```

1 row created.

```
INSERT INTO PAYSCALE
VALUES ('Teaching Asst.',20000.00,32500.00);
```

1 row created.

```
INSERT INTO PAYSCALE
```

```
VALUES ('Research Asst.',30000.00,45000.00);
```

1 row created.

```
SELECT *
FROM PAYSCALE;
```

DESIGNATION	MINPAY	MAXPAY
Professor	140000	200000
Asso. Professor	100000	140000
Asst. Professor	50000	90000
Teaching Asst.	20000	32500
Research Asst.	30000	45000

5 rows selected.

QUERY-09: Write SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that defines user-defined exceptions - BELOW_PAY_RANGE and ABOVE_PAY_RANGE. Your script should accept an employee number from the console and check for the salary to fall within the payscale [minpay, maxpay].

If the salary is less than minpay, BELOW_PAY_RANGE exception is raised and when caught an appropriate message -

'<EmpNo> Receives Salary Below Scale [minpay, maxpay]'

is displayed; otherwise ABOVE_PAY_RANGE exception is raised and caught to display the appropriate message accordingly.

You must appropriately catch the NO_DATA_FOUND exception also. When there are no violations, display for the employee the salary drawn. Test the above anonymous block for input employee numbers - 7101, 7104, 7106, 7109, 7111, 7114 and 7117.

```
DECLARE
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```
EMPNO NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_NUMBER;
```

```
A EMPLOYEE%ROWTYPE;
```

```
BELOW_PAY_RANGE EXCEPTION;
```



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    ABOVE_PAY_RANGE EXCEPTION;
    B PAYSACLE%ROWTYPE;
BEGIN
    SELECT * INTO A FROM EMPLOYEE WHERE ENO=EMPNO;
    SELECT * INTO B FROM PAYSACLE WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION)=UPPER(A.DSIGNATION);
    IF A.SALARY>=B.MAXPAY THEN
        RAISE ABOVE_PAY_RANGE;
    ELSIF A.SALARY<=B.MINPAY THEN
        RAISE BELOW_PAY_RANGE;
    ELSE
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(EMPNO)||' RECEIVES SALARY '
                                ||TO_CHAR(A.SALARY));

    END IF;
EXCEPTION
    WHEN BELOW_PAY_RANGE THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(EMPNO)||' RECEIVES SALARY BELOW PAY RANGE
                                '||TO_CHAR(B.MINPAY)||' AND '||TO_CHAR(B.MAXPAY));
    WHEN ABOVE_PAY_RANGE THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(EMPNO)||' RECEIVES SALARY ABOVE PAY RANGE
                                '||TO_CHAR(B.MINPAY)||' AND '||TO_CHAR(B.MAXPAY));
    WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(EMPNO)||' DATA NOT FOUND IN TABLE');

END;
/

```

Enter value for employee_number: 7101

old 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_NUMBER;

new 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := 7101;

7101 RECEIVES SALARY 150000

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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Enter value for employee_number: 7104

old 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_NUMBER;

new 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := 7104;

7104 RECEIVES SALARY BELOW PAY RANGE 140000 AND 200000

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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Enter value for employee_number: 7106
old 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_NUMBER;
new 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := 7106;
7106 RECEIVES SALARY 127400
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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/
Enter value for employee_number: 7109
old 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_NUMBER;
new 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := 7109;
7109 RECEIVES SALARY ABOVE PAY RANGE 50000 AND 90000
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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/
Enter value for employee_number: 7111
old 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_NUMBER;
new 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := 7111;
7111 RECEIVES SALARY ABOVE PAY RANGE 30000 AND 45000
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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/
Enter value for employee_number: 7114
old 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_NUMBER;
new 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := 7114;
7114 RECEIVES SALARY ABOVE PAY RANGE 20000 AND 32500
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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/
Enter value for employee_number: 7117
old 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := &EMPLOYEE_NUMBER;
new 2: EMPNO NUMBER(4) := 7117;
7117 RECEIVES SALARY 32200
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

QUERY-10: Write a SQL code to create and execute an anonymous PL/SQL block that will modify Query-09 to process all records of EMPLOYEE table. You need not acquire employee number from console. You should only report the violations.

DECLARE

A EMPLOYEE%ROWTYPE;

B PAYSCALE%ROWTYPE;

BELOW_PAY_RANGE EXCEPTION;

ABOVE_PAY_RANGE EXCEPTION;

I NUMBER(4);

BEGIN

FOR I IN 7101..7117 LOOP

BEGIN

SAVEPOINT S;

SELECT * INTO A

FROM EMPLOYEE

WHERE ENO=I;

SELECT * INTO B

FROM PAYSCALE

WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION)=UPPER(A.DSIGNATION);

IF A.SALARY>=B.MAXPAY THEN

RAISE ABOVE_PAY_RANGE;

ELSIF A.SALARY<=B.MINPAY THEN

RAISE BELOW_PAY_RANGE;

ELSE

DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(I)||' RECEIVES SALARY

,

||TO_CHAR(A.SALARY));

END IF;

```

EXCEPTION

    WHEN BELOW_PAY_RANGE THEN

        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(I)||

            ' RECEIVES SALARY BELOW PAY RANGE' ||

            TO_CHAR(B.MINPAY)|| ' AND ' ||

            TO_CHAR(B.MAXPAY));

        ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT S;

    WHEN ABOVE_PAY_RANGE THEN

        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(I)||

            ' RECEIVES SALARY ABOVE PAY RANGE ' ||

            TO_CHAR(B.MINPAY)|| ' AND ' ||

            TO_CHAR(B.MAXPAY));

        ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT S;

    WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN

        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(I)||

            ' DATA NOT FOUND IN TABLE');

        ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT S;

END;

END LOOP;

END;

/

```

```

7101 RECEIVES SALARY 150000
7102 RECEIVES SALARY 146500
7103 RECEIVES SALARY 148000
7104 RECEIVES SALARY BELOW PAY RANGE 140000 AND 200000
7105 RECEIVES SALARY 127400
7106 RECEIVES SALARY 127400
7107 RECEIVES SALARY 127400
7108 RECEIVES SALARY 119700
7109 RECEIVES SALARY ABOVE PAY RANGE 50000 AND 90000
7110 RECEIVES SALARY 86400
7111 RECEIVES SALARY ABOVE PAY RANGE 30000 AND 45000
7112 RECEIVES SALARY 44600
7113 RECEIVES SALARY ABOVE PAY RANGE 20000 AND 32500
7114 RECEIVES SALARY ABOVE PAY RANGE 20000 AND 32500
7115 RECEIVES SALARY 30000

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7116 RECEIVES SALARY 30000
7117 RECEIVES SALARY 32200

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

QUERY-11: Write a SQL code to compile and execute an anonymous block which declares a cursor - FACULTY. The cursor buffers the records comprising - Employee ID, Employee Name (FNAME and LNAME combined) and Designation for the Designation entered by the user.

You may use either EMPLOYEE table or EMPP table for this cursor and print the buffered records. Use %NOTFOUND variable to enable cursor exit.

```
DECLARE
    CURSOR FACULTY IS
        SELECT *
        FROM EMPP
        WHERE UPPER(DESIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('&DESIGNATION');
    A EMPP%ROWTYPE;
    I INT := 1;
BEGIN
    OPEN FACULTY;
    LOOP
        FETCH FACULTY INTO A;
        EXIT WHEN FACULTY%NOTFOUND;
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(TO_CHAR(A.EID),11)
                               ||'  '||RPAD(A.ENAME,21)
                               ||'  '||RPAD(A.DESIGNATION,15));

        I := 0;
    END LOOP;
    IF I=0 THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('ALL CURSOR ROWS FETCHED ...');
    ELSE
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('NO MATCHING ROWS FETCHED ...');
    END IF;
    CLOSE FACULTY;
END;
/
```

Enter value for designation: LAMBDA

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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Enter value for designation: ProFessOr

```
old 5: WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('&DESIGNATION');
new 5: WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('ProFessOr');

7101      Eugene Sabatini      Professor
7102      Samantha Jones       Professor
7103      Alexander Lloyd       Professor
7104      Simon Downing         Professor

ALL CURSOR ROWS FETCHED ...
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

QUERY-12: CURSOR FOR LOOP:

Modify the cursor in Query-01 as FACULTY_CFL which uses the cursor FOR loop to buffering and displaying the records (as mentioned) when employee designation is entered by the user.

Use a variation of cursor FOR loop to include the ROWCOUNT variable to print serial number for the displayed records.

DECLARE

```
CURSOR FACULTY_CFL IS
    SELECT *
    FROM EMPP
    WHERE UPPER(DESIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('&DESIGNATION');
```

BEGIN

```
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('THE CURSOR FOR LOOP ...');
FOR A IN FACULTY_CFL LOOP
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(TO_CHAR(A.EID),11)||
                           ' '||RPAD(A.ENAME,21)||' '||
                           RPAD(A.DESIGNATION,15));
```

```

END LOOP;
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(CHR(10));
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('THE CURSOR FOR LOOP WITH %ROWCOUNT ...');
FOR A IN FACULTY_CFL LOOP
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(FACULTY_CFL%ROWCOUNT,4)
                      || ' ' ||RPAD(TO_CHAR(A.EID),11)
                      || ' ' ||RPAD(A.ENAME,21)||
                      ' ' ||RPAD(A.DESIGNATION,15));

END LOOP;
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('CURSOR FOR LOOP EXITED ...');
END;
/

```

Enter value for designation: proFessor

old 5: WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('&DESIGNATION');

new 5: WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('proFessor');

THE CURSOR FOR LOOP ...

7101	Eugene Sabatini	Professor
7102	Samantha Jones	Professor
7103	Alexander Lloyd	Professor
7104	Simon Downing	Professor

THE CURSOR FOR LOOP WITH %ROWCOUNT ...

1	7101	Eugene Sabatini	Professor
2	7102	Samantha Jones	Professor
3	7103	Alexander Lloyd	Professor
4	7104	Simon Downing	Professor

CURSOR FOR LOOP EXITED ...

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

QUERY-13: EXITING A CURSOR AFTER FETCHING SPECIFIED NUMBER OF ROWS:

Modify the cursor FACULTY_CFL_A to display only those many records as desired by the user. Use %ROWCOUNT to enable the cursor to ensure this.

```

DECLARE
    CURSOR FACULTY_CFL_A IS
        SELECT *
        FROM EMPP
        WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('&DESIGNATION');
    A FACULTY_CFL_A%ROWTYPE;
    R NUMBER := &HOW_MANY_ROWS;
BEGIN
    OPEN FACULTY_CFL_A;
    LOOP
        FETCH FACULTY_CFL_A INTO A;
        EXIT WHEN FACULTY_CFL_A%ROWCOUNT > R OR FACULTY_CFL_A%NOTFOUND;
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(FACULTY_CFL_A%ROWCOUNT,4)
                               ||'  '||RPAD(TO_CHAR(A.EID),11)
                               ||'  '||RPAD(A.ENAME,21)
                               ||'  '||RPAD(A.DSIGNATION,15));
    END LOOP;
    CLOSE FACULTY_CFL_A;
END;
/

```

Enter value for designation: professor

old 5: WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('&DESIGNATION');

new 5: WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('professor');

Enter value for how_many_rows: 3

old 7: R NUMBER := &HOW_MANY_ROWS;

new 7: R NUMBER := 3;

1	7101	Eugene Sabatini	Professor
2	7102	Samantha Jones	Professor
3	7103	Alexander Lloyd	Professor

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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Enter value for designation: PRoFeSSor

old 5: WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('&DESIGNATION');

new 5: WHERE UPPER(DSIGNATION) LIKE UPPER('PRoFeSSor');

Enter value for how_many_rows: 5

old 7: R NUMBER := &HOW_MANY_ROWS;

new 7: R NUMBER := 5;

1	7101	Eugene Sabatini	Professor
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2	7102	Samantha Jones	Professor
3	7103	Alexander Lloyd	Professor
4	7104	Simon Downing	Professor

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

PARAMETERIZED CURSOR WITH DEFAULT VALUES:

Write a SQL code to compile and execute an anonymous block which declares a cursor - EMP_SAL_INFO (Salary, Designation). Let the default values for salary and designation be 75000 and " Asst. Professor" respectively.

The cursor buffers the records comprising - Employee ID, Employee Name (FNAME and LNAME combined), Designation and Salary for the Salary and Designation entered by the user. Use EMPLOYEE table for this cursor. Use this cursor to print the buffered records.

DECLARE

```

CURSOR EMP_SAL_INFO (S EMPLOYEE.SALARY%TYPE
                     DEFAULT 75000,
                     D EMPLOYEE.DESIGNATION%TYPE
                     DEFAULT 'Asst. Professor') IS
SELECT ENO AS EMPLOYEE_ID,
       CONCAT(CONCAT(FNAME,' '),LNAME)
       AS EMPLOYEE_NAME,
       DESIGNATION,SALARY

```

```

FROM EMPLOYEE

```

```

WHERE SALARY > S AND UPPER(DESIGNATION) = UPPER(D);

```

```

SAL EMPLOYEE.SALARY%TYPE;

```

```

DES EMPLOYEE.DESIGNATION%TYPE;

```

BEGIN

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DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('WITH DEFAULT VALUES ...');

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```

FOR B IN EMP_SAL_INFO LOOP

```

```

DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(B.EMPLOYEE_ID,11)

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|| ' ' ||RPAD(B.EMPLOYEE_NAME,21)

```

```

|| ' ' ||RPAD(B.DESIGNATION,15)

```

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|| ' ' ||RPAD(B.SALARY,8));

```

```

END LOOP;
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(CHR(10));
SAL := '&SPECIFIED_SALARY';
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('WITH SOME DEFAULT VALUES ...');
FOR B IN EMP_SAL_INFO(SAL) LOOP
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(B.EMPLOYEE_ID,11)
                          ||' '||RPAD(B.EMPLOYEE_NAME,21)
                          ||' '||RPAD(B.DESIGNATION,15)
                          ||' '||RPAD(B.SALARY,8));
END LOOP;
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(CHR(10));
SAL := '&SPECIFIED_SALARY';
DES := '&SPECIFIED_DESIGNATION';
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('WITH ALL SUPPLIED VALUES ...');
FOR B IN EMP_SAL_INFO(SAL,DES) LOOP
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(B.EMPLOYEE_ID,11)
                          ||' '||RPAD(B.EMPLOYEE_NAME,21)
                          ||' '||RPAD(B.DESIGNATION,15)
                          ||' '||RPAD(B.SALARY,8));
END LOOP;
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(CHR(10));
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('ALL CASES DONE ...');
END;
/

```

Enter value for specified_salary: 88000

old 14: SAL := '&SPECIFIED_SALARY';

new 14: SAL := '88000';

Enter value for specified_salary: 120000

old 20: SAL := '&SPECIFIED_SALARY';

new 20: SAL := '120000';

Enter value for specified_designation: Asso. Professor

old 21: DES := '&SPECIFIED_DESIGNATION';

new 21: DES := 'Asso. Professor';

WITH DEFAULT VALUES ...

7109	Martina Jacobson	Asst. Professor 91000
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7110	William Smithfield	Asst. Professor 86400
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WITH SOME DEFAULT VALUES ...

7109	Martina Jacobson	Asst. Professor 91000
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WITH ALL SUPPLIED VALUES ...

7107	Christov Plutnik	Asso. Professor 127400
7105	Christina Mulboro	Asso. Professor 127400
7106	Dolly Silverline	Asso. Professor 127400

ALL CASES DONE ...

QUERY-15: BULK COLLECT with CURSORS:

Write SQL code to compile and execute a procedure - PRINT_EMPLOYEE which receives employee salary as input and prints the following particulars - employee number, employee name and salary, for employees whose salary exceeds the inputted salary.

You must use a cursor - SAL_CURSOR, to buffer required result-set for bulk collect. Use TYPE statement to declare and instantiate array variables.

You may also try using %ROWCOUNT. Use EMPP table as source. You may also use EMPLOYEE table.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE PRINT_EMPLOYEE (S EMPP.SALARY%TYPE)
AS TYPE NUM_ARRAY IS VARRAY(10000) OF NUMBER(4);
TYPE STR_ARRAY IS VARRAY(10000) OF VARCHAR(21);
TYPE N_ARRAY IS VARRAY(10000) OF NUMBER(8,2);
EMPLOYEE_ID_ARRAY NUM_ARRAY;
EMPLOYEE_NAME_ARRAY STR_ARRAY;
EMPLOYEE_SALARY_ARRAY N_ARRAY;
CURSOR SAL_CURSOR IS
    SELECT EID, ENAME, SALARY
    FROM EMPP
    WHERE SALARY > S;
BEGIN
    OPEN SAL_CURSOR;
    FETCH SAL_CURSOR
    BULK COLLECT INTO EMPLOYEE_ID_ARRAY,
                     EMPLOYEE_NAME_ARRAY,EMPLOYEE_SALARY_ARRAY;
    CLOSE SAL_CURSOR;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('EMPLOYEE HAVING SALARY > '||S);
```

```

        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(' EID          EMPLOYEE_NAME    SALARY');
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('-----  -----  -----');
        FOR I IN EMPLOYEE_ID_ARRAY.FIRST .. EMPLOYEE_ID_ARRAY.LAST LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(EMPLOYEE_ID_ARRAY(I),5)
                               || ' ' || RPAD(EMPLOYEE_NAME_ARRAY(I),21)
                               || ' ' || LPAD(EMPLOYEE_SALARY_ARRAY(I),10));
        END LOOP;
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('-----  -----  -----');
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('... END OF BULK FETCH ...');

    END;
/

```

Procedure created.

CALL PRINT_EMPLOYEE(50000);

EMPLOYEE HAVING SALARY > 50000

EID	EMPLOYEE_NAME	SALARY
7101	Eugene Sabatini	150000
7102	Samantha Jones	146500
7103	Alexander Lloyd	148000
7104	Simon Downing	138400
7105	Christina Mulboro	127400
7106	Dolly Silverline	127400
7107	Christov Plutnik	127400
7108	Ellena Sanchez	119700
7109	Martina Jacobson	91000
7110	William Smithfield	86400

... END OF BULK FETCH ...

Call completed.

CALL PRINT_EMPLOYEE(125000);

EMPLOYEE HAVING SALARY > 125000

EID	EMPLOYEE_NAME	SALARY
7101	Eugene Sabatini	150000
7102	Samantha Jones	146500
7103	Alexander Lloyd	148000

7104	Simon Downing	138400
7105	Christina Mulboro	127400
7106	Dolly Silverline	127400
7107	Christov Plutnik	127400

... END OF BULK FETCH ...

Call completed.

CALL PRINT_EMPLOYEE(148000);

EMPLOYEE HAVING SALARY > 148000

EID	EMPLOYEE_NAME	SALARY
7101	Eugene Sabatini	150000

... END OF BULK FETCH ...

Call completed.

Conclusion:

In this experiment, we learnt about the PL/SQL blocks, exceptions and cursors. PL/SQL, the Oracle procedural extension of SQL, is a portable, high-performance transaction-processing language. This chapter outlines its benefits and briefly describes its key features and architecture. Errors are straightforward to discover and handle in PL/SQL. PL/SQL throws an exception when an error occurs. Normal execution is halted, and control is transferred to the PL/SQL block's exception-handling section. As with a C program, you do not have to inspect every operation to confirm that it was successful. The block, which unites related declarations and statements, is the basic unit of a PL/SQL source programme. The terms DECLARE, BEGIN, EXCEPTION, and END define a PL/SQL block. These keywords split the block into three sections: declarative, executable, and exception-handling. Only the executable portion is needed. A label can be applied to a block. Because the block is not recorded in the database, it is referred to as an anonymous block (even if it has a label). Every time an anonymous block is loaded into memory, it is compiled in three stages: The syntax of PL/SQL is verified, and a parse tree is created. Semantic checking-Type checking and further parse tree processing, Creating Code. A cursor is a pointer to a private SQL region where information about processing a single SQL query or PL/SQL SELECT INTO command is stored. The cursor may be used to fetch the rows of the result set one at a time. Cursor attributes may be used to obtain information about the cursor's current status, such as how many rows the statement has touched thus far. The %ROWTYPE property allows you to specify whether a record represents a complete or partial row of a database table or view. The

record has a field with the same name and data type for each column of the entire or partial row. If the structure of the row changes, so does the structure of the record. The %TYPE property allows you to declare a data item of the same data type as an already specified variable or column (without knowing what that type is). If the declaration of the referenced item changes, so does the declaration of the referring item. When defining variables to contain database values, the %TYPE property comes in handy.

Viva Questions:

1. What is an anonymous block?

The anonymous block statement in PL/SQL is an executable statement that can include PL/SQL control statements and SQL statements. It may be used in a scripting language to construct procedural logic. This statement can be generated and executed by the data server in PL/SQL situations. The anonymous block statement, which does not persist in the database, can include up to three sections: a declaration part that is optional, an obligatory executable section, and an optional exception section. The optional declaration section is put before the executable BEGIN-END block and can contain the declaration of variables, cursors, and types that will be utilised by statements within the executable and exception sections. The exception section is optional and can be included at the conclusion of the BEGIN-END block. The exception section must start with the keyword EXCEPTION and run to the end of the block in which it appears.

2. What is an exception? List the standard PL/SQL exceptions.

An exception is an incorrect circumstance that occurs during the execution of a programme. PL/SQL allows programmers to catch such errors by utilising the EXCEPTION block in the programme, and then take necessary action against the error situation. Exceptions are classified into two types:

- System-defined exceptions
- User-defined exceptions

The following are the 21 standard PL/SQL exceptions:

- ACCESS_INTO_NULL
- CASE_NOT_FOUND
- COLLECTION_IS_NULL
- DUP_VAL_ON_INDEX
- INVALID_CURSOR
- INVALID_NUMBER
- LOGIN_DENIED
- NO_DATA_FOUND
- NOT_LOGGED_ON
- PROGRAM_ERROR
- ROWTYPE_MISMATCH
- SELF_IS_NULL
- STORAGE_ERROR
- TOO_MANY_ROWS
- VALUE_ERROR

- ZERO_DIVIDE
- CURSOR_ALREADY_OPEN
- SUBSCRIPT_BEYOND_COUNT
- SUBSCRIPT_BEYOND_LIMIT
- SYS_INVALID_ROUND
- TIMEOUT_ON_RESOURCE

3. Differentiate between '&' and '&&' in SQL.

The character "&" is used to establish a temporary replacement variable. Every time the variable is mentioned, you will be requested to input the value.

The character "&&" is used to define a variable for permanent replacement. You just need to input the value once.

4. Why it is a good practice to use %TYPE when declaring variables?

The data server supports the %TYPE property, which is used in PL/SQL variable and parameter declarations. The use of this feature guarantees the type compatibility of table columns and PL/SQL variables. As a prefix to the %TYPE attribute, a qualified column name in dot notation or the name of a previously defined variable must be given. The variable being defined is given the data type of this column or variable. There is no need to alter the declaration code if the data type of the column or variable changes.

5. What is a cursor? List the steps associated with implementing a cursor.

The Oracle engine uses a work area to analyse and store information internally while executing SQL queries. This work area is exclusive to SQL operations. The PL/SQL construct 'Cursor' allows the user to name the work area and retrieve the information contained in it. A cursor's primary role is to obtain data from a result set one row at a time, as opposed to SQL commands, which work on all rows in the result set at once. Cursors are utilised when a user needs to change records in a database table in a singleton or row by row basis.

Using a Cursor involves four stages.

- IN THE DECLARATION SECTION, DECLARE THE CURRENT.
- OPEN the Execution Section using your pointer.
- In the Execution Section, FETCH the cursor's data into PL/SQL variables or records.
- Before you conclude the PL/SQL Block, CLOSE the cursor in the Execution Section.

6. What is an "active set"?

The data kept in the Cursor is referred to as the Active Data Set. Oracle DBMS features a second designated region in the main memory Set where cursors are opened. As a result, the size of the cursor is constrained by the size of this pre-defined region.

7. What are the advantages of a cursor FOR loop?

The PL/SQL cursor FOR loop provides the benefit of continuing the loop until the row is not found. You may need to use an explicit cursor with a FOR loop instead of the OPEN, FETCH, and CLOSE statements at times. The FOR loop iterates repeatedly, retrieving rows of values from the database until the row is not found.

8. Why it is a good practice to close a cursor?

When you open a cursor, Oracle executes the query to create the results and places the cursor before the first row of the result set. A cursor, on the other hand, may only be opened if it is not already open; attempting to open a cursor that is already open results in a "CURSOR ALREADY OPEN" exception. In other words, if you define a cursor and open it, Oracle throws an exception if you try to open it again without closing it. If you finish with the cursor but don't close it, nothing occurs unless, as previously said, you try to open it or fetch from it again (assuming all the data has been read). However, there are a few of hazards to be aware of. If you have a significant number of open cursors, you may surpass the Oracle database initialization option OPEN_CURSORS, which is the limit for the maximum number of open cursors per session, or your database may run out of memory. Either of these may certainly pose severe issues for an application. In other words, closing your cursors in your PL/SQL scripts after you're done with them is excellent practise. Nothing will happen if you do not. In other words, closing your cursors in your PL/SQL scripts once you've finished with them is excellent practise. If you don't, nothing will happen for a time, but your Oracle database applications may cease operating unexpectedly or slowly.