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Topic 6: PL/SQL Packages

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Week 5 New Employee procedure

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE new_employee (  
    arg_empname IN employee.emp_name%type,  
    arg_salary  IN employee.emp_salary%type,  
    arg_sdate   IN CHAR,  
    arg_deptno  IN department.dept_no%type)
```

- Handed in department number may be incorrect
 - Declare
 - EXCEPTION INVALID_DEPARTMENT
 - Check if department exists
 - how? – *carry out a select count(*) on deptno = arg_deptno*
 - if not
 - raise INVALID_DEPARTMENT
 - calls raise_application_error
 - » Number - *negative integer in the range -20000 .. -20999*
 - » Message

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11    arg_sdate   IN CHAR,  
12    arg_deptno  IN department.dept_no%type)  
13 AS  
14  
15     INVALID_DEPARTMENT EXCEPTION;  
16     dept_count      NUMBER;  
17     newempno employee.emp_no%type;  
18  
19 BEGIN  
20  
21     SELECT  
22         COUNT (*)  
23     INTO  
24         dept_count  
25     FROM  
26         department  
27     WHERE  
28         dept_no = arg_deptno;  
29  
30     IF dept_count = 1 THEN  
31  
32         -- insert new employee into employee table  
33         INSERT...  
34  
35         -- Modify the new employees department employee count by adding 1  
36         UPDATE...  
37  
38         -- Get number assigned to new employee  
39         SELECT...;  
40  
41     COMMIT;  
42  
43     COMMIT;  
44  
45     -- Note although to_char is not required to output numeric values,  
46     -- you should use it especially since it is often useful to format  
47     -- such values eg. to_char(emp_salary, '$99,999.99')  
48     dbms_output.put_line (  
49         'New employee successfully inserted - Employee number is : ' ||  
50         newEmpNo);  
51  
52     ELSE  
53  
54         raise INVALID_DEPARTMENT;  
55  
56     END IF;  
57  
58     EXCEPTION  
59     WHEN INVALID_DEPARTMENT THEN  
60         raise_application_error (-20001, 'Invalid Department - INSERT UNSUCCESSFUL'  
61         );  
62  
63     END new_employee;  
64 /
```

See code on Moodle

Our account has heaps of
tables, procedures, ...

How do we get rid of them?
What are the problems in
removing objects?

Oracle system tables – object and constraints *you* own

SQL> desc user_objects

Name	Null	Type
OBJECT_NAME		VARCHAR2(128)
SUBOBJECT_NAME		VARCHAR2(30)
OBJECT_ID		NUMBER
DATA_OBJECT_ID		NUMBER
OBJECT_TYPE		VARCHAR2(19)
CREATED		DATE
LAST_DDL_TIME		DATE
TIMESTAMP		VARCHAR2(19)
STATUS		VARCHAR2(7)
TEMPORARY		VARCHAR2(1)
GENERATED		VARCHAR2(1)
SECONDARY		VARCHAR2(1)
NAMESPACE		NUMBER
EDITION_NAME		VARCHAR2(30)

SQL> desc user_constraints

Name	Null	Type
OWNER		VARCHAR2(120)
CONSTRAINT_NAME	NOT NULL	VARCHAR2(30)
CONSTRAINT_TYPE		VARCHAR2(1)
TABLE_NAME	NOT NULL	VARCHAR2(30)
SEARCH_CONDITION		LONG
R_OWNER		VARCHAR2(120)
R_CONSTRAINT_NAME		VARCHAR2(30)
DELETE_RULE		VARCHAR2(9)
STATUS		VARCHAR2(8)
DEFERRABLE		VARCHAR2(14)
DEFERRED		VARCHAR2(9)
VALIDATED		VARCHAR2(13)
GENERATED		VARCHAR2(14)
BAD		VARCHAR2(3)
RELY		VARCHAR2(4)
LAST_CHANGE		DATE
INDEX_OWNER		VARCHAR2(30)
INDEX_NAME		VARCHAR2(30)
INVALID		VARCHAR2(7)
VIEW_RELATED		VARCHAR2(14)

User objects in the database

- Drop objects – tables, indexes, procedures, functions, packages, etc.
 - List all the objects a user owns:

```
select rtrim(object_name) as objname,  
       rtrim(object_type) as objtype  
from user_objects;
```
 - When dropping a table, the drop may be refused by Oracle due to FK constraints (type 'R' = restraints)
 - *Drop constraints first, then objects*
 - List FK constraints a user has in place:

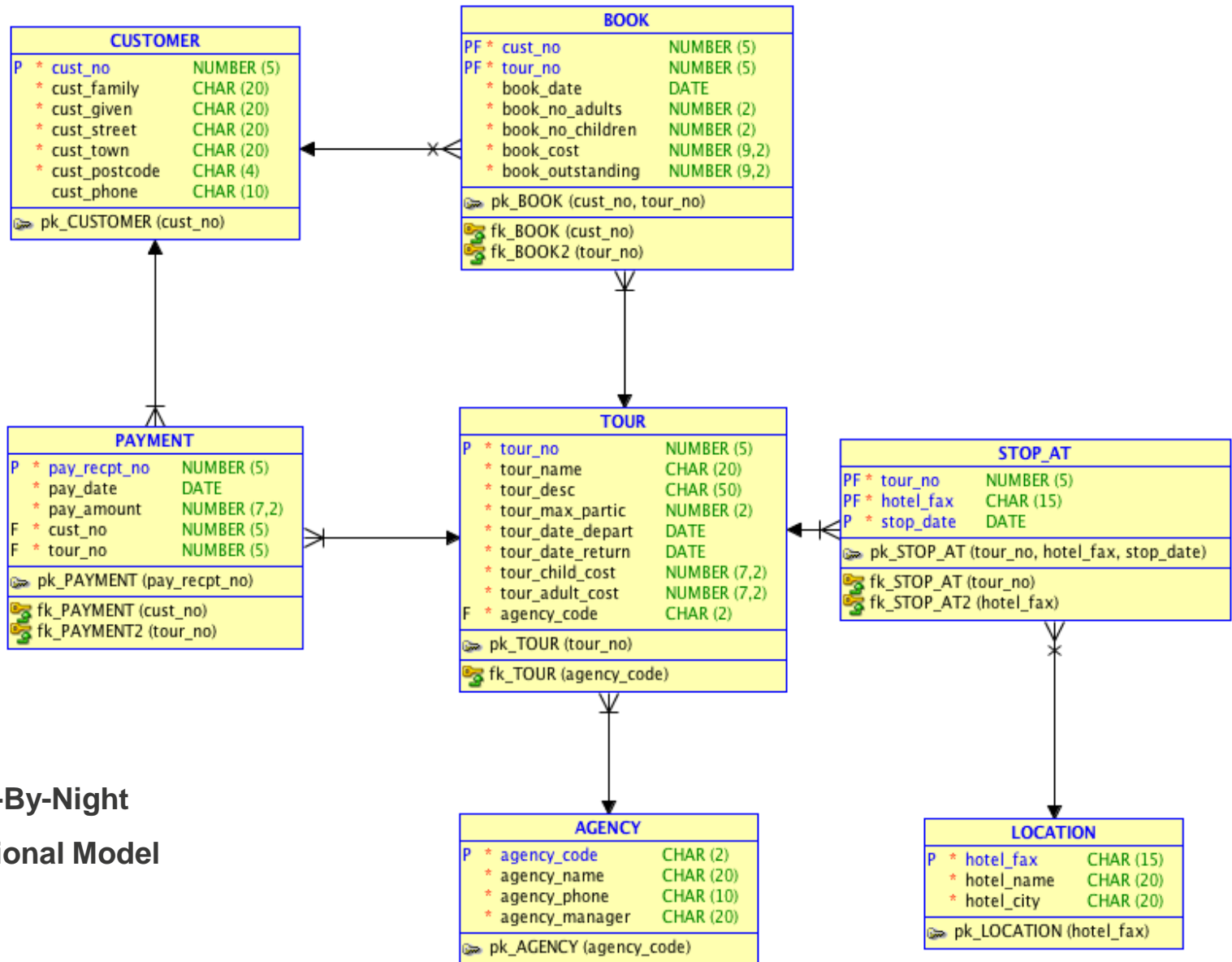
```
select rtrim(constraint_name) as conname,  
       rtrim(table_name) as tablename  
from user_constraints  
where rtrim(constraint_type) = 'R';
```

CLEANOUT

```
1 create or replace procedure cleanout
2 as
3
4     -- Find FK restraints (type = 'R'), will be dropped below,
5     -- and then tables can be dropped in any order
6     cursor con_cursor
7     is
8         select
9             rtrim(constraint_name) as conname,
10            rtrim(table_name)      as tabname
11        from
12            user_constraints
13        where
14            rtrim(constraint_type) = 'R';
15
16     -- Find objects, will be dropped below, ignore some objects to
17     -- prevent problems when objects are dropped out of order:
18     -- Do not drop indexes, they will go with tables
19     -- Do not drop package bodies, they will go with packages
20     -- Do not drop triggers, they will go with tables
21     -- Do not drop this procedure (CLEANOUT)
22     cursor obj_cursor
23     is
24         select
25             rtrim(object_name) as objname,
26             rtrim(object_type) as objtype
27        from
28            user_objects
29        where
30            object_type <> 'INDEX'
31            and object_type <> 'PACKAGE BODY'
32            and object_type <> 'TRIGGER'
33            and object_name <> 'CLEANOUT';
34
35     con_value con_cursor%rowtype;
36     obj_value obj_cursor%rowtype;
37
38 begin
```

See code available on Moodle

Packages



Fly-By-Night Relational Model

PL/SQL Functions

- A customer will make BOOKings and PAYMENTs
 - Active tables compared with tour details and AGENCY
- One important validation when accepting bookings/payments
 - Is this a valid customer? (we wish to *avoid raising Oracle database errors*, difficult to automatically handle in calling program)
 - Result in repeated validation code in our procedures
 - Problems with such an approach? – *problems with maintenance*
 - Create a function to complete the validation and call it repeatedly:
 - Algorithm? – *select count(*) ...*
 - Parameters? – *value to check (custno or tourno)*
 - Return? – *is the value valid (PL/SQL use boolean)*

Function to validate customer

```
9 create or replace function customer_valid(  
10     arg_cust_no in customer.cust_no%type )  
11     return boolean  
12 as  
13  
14     cust_count number;  
15  
16     begin  
17     select  
18         count(cust_no)  
19     into  
20         cust_count  
21     from  
22         customer  
23     where  
24         cust_no      = arg_cust_no;  
25  
26     if cust_count = 1 then  
27         return true;  
28     else  
29         return false;  
30     end if;  
31  
32 end customer_valid;
```

PL/SQL Packages

- Related PL/SQL procedures and functions can be grouped into one package
 - Keeps all related PL/SQL objects together
 - Consists of
 - Package Specification
 - List of procedure and function headers
 - Package Body
 - Implementation of procedures and functions
- To execute a procedure or function of a package use:
 - `package_name.procedure_name (parameters)`
- The creator of a package would normally ***grant execute rights*** on the package to allow other users to run it:
 - **grant execute on my_package to user/public;**
 - users then run package with the same rights as the package creator

Create a package

- Can be created from:
 - the SQL Window, or
 - the SQL Developer GUI
- Creation from the GUI
 - Right click package, select “New Package” and name
 - Enter procedure declaration
 - Must be compiled before it is saved to the database
 - Creates package specification (spec)
 - Right click package – select “Create Body ...”
- Note not all procedures in the package need to be declared in the spec
 - Used to create “hidden” internal code to prevent duplication of PL/SQL code in body

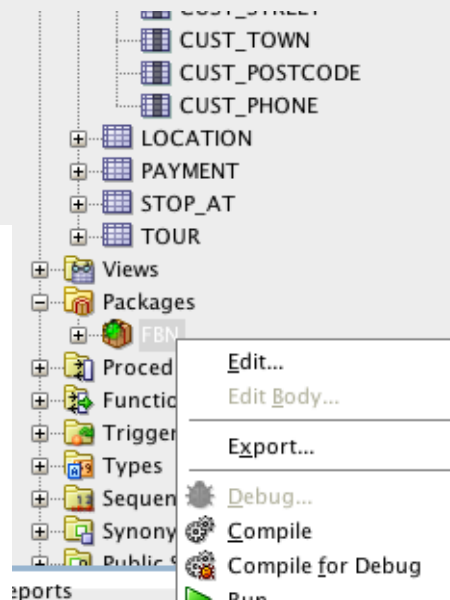
Create Package

Schema:

Name:

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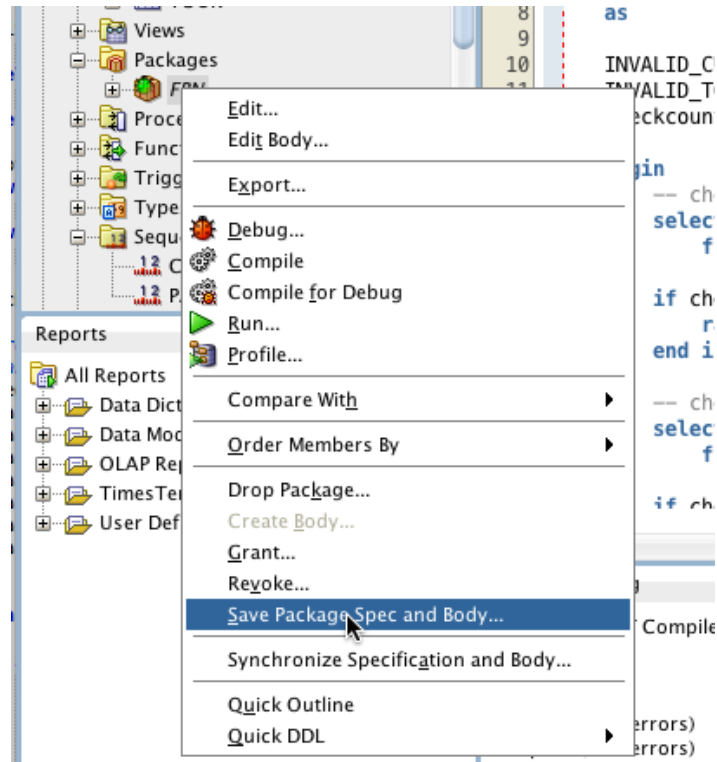
```

1 create or replace
2 package fbn as
3
4 procedure add_Customer (
5     arg_cust_family IN customer.cust_family%type,
6     arg_cust_given  IN customer.cust_given%type,
7     arg_cust_street IN customer.cust_street%type,
8     arg_cust_town   IN customer.cust_town%type,
9     arg_cust_postcode IN customer.cust_postcode%type,
10    arg_cust_phone   in customer.cust_phone%type,
11    arg_cust_no      OUT customer.cust_no%type);

```

Saving a package from the database

- Export package
 - Right click package, select “Save Package Spec and Body”
 - Saves to a .sql file based on the name of the package, save to ***SVN folder***



Call procedure in package

To call the procedure `add_customer` in the package `fbn`, we would use:

- A. `exec add_customer (....);`
- B. `exec add_customer.fbn (....);`
- C. `exec fbn.add_customer (....);`**
- D. `exec fbn(add_customer (...));`

Procedure to accept a new payment

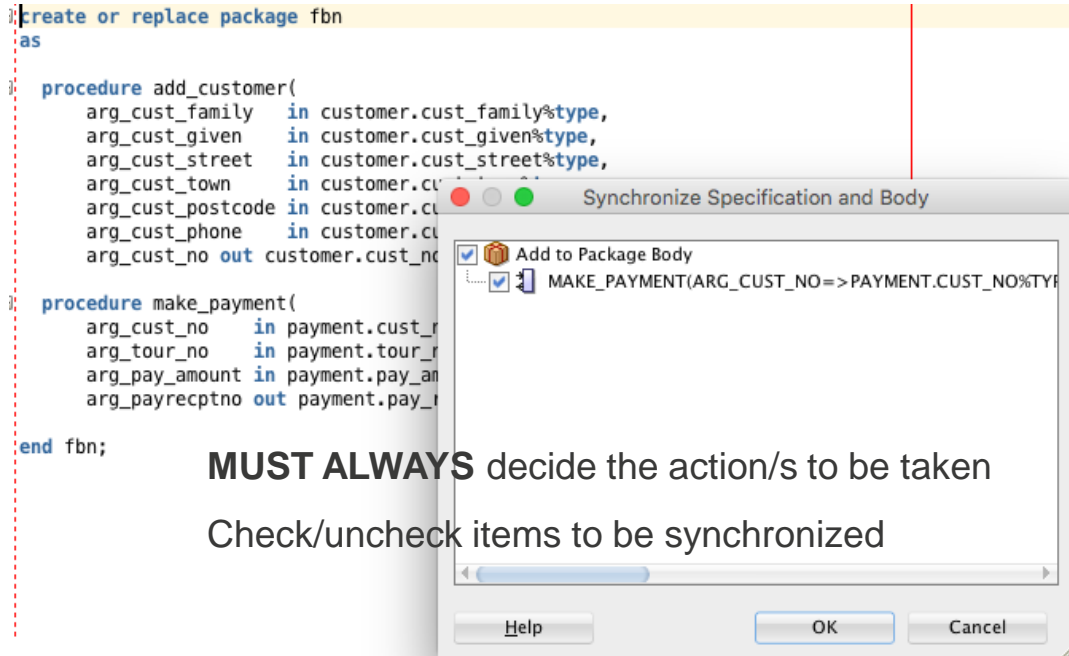
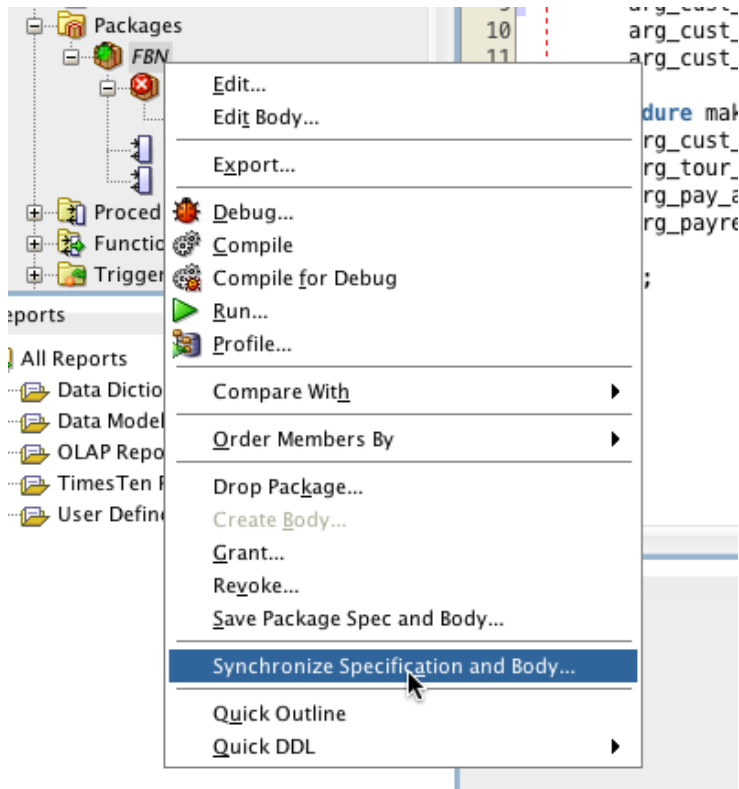
- From schema, sequence available:
 - CREATE SEQUENCE payrecptno START WITH 100;
- Parameters/validation
 - pay_recpt_no
 - **OUT parameter**
 - pay_date
 - **No parameter required, sysdate**
 - pay_amount
 - **IN parameter, > 0 and <= the amount outstanding**
 - cust_no
 - **IN parameter, valid (existing) customer**
 - tour_no
 - **IN parameter, check valid (existing) tour**
 - cust_no & tour_no
 - **validation – is this customer booked on this tour?**
- Tasks: if valid cust_no, tour_no and is booked on this tour:
 - **insert payment**
 - **reduce book_outstanding**

Procedure header to make a payment

- Add to Package Spec:

```
procedure make_payment(  
    arg_cust_no      in payment.cust_no%type,  
    arg_tour_no      in payment.tour_no%type,  
    arg_pay_amount   in payment.pay_amount%type,  
    arg_payrecptno   out payment.pay_recpt_no%type);
```

Updating package body after adding a new procedure



MUST ALWAYS decide the action/s to be taken
Check/uncheck items to be synchronized

Workflow to follow:

- Step 1:** add procedure header to package spec
- Step 2:** sync to create entry in body
- Step 3:** Code PL/SQL body

Add new PL/SQL code to package body

```
173 -- Procedure to add a new booking for a tour
174 PROCEDURE add_booking
175 (
176     arg_cust_no          IN book.cust_no%type,
177     arg_tour_no          IN book.tour_no%type,
178     arg_book_no_adults   IN book.book_no_adults%type,
179     arg_book_no_children IN book.book_no_children%type,
180     arg_booking_success  OUT CHAR
181 )
182 AS
183
184     no_participants EXCEPTION;
185     already_booked   EXCEPTION;
186     tour_expired     EXCEPTION;
187     tour_no_space    EXCEPTION;
188
189     tourdatedepart    DATE;
190     tourmaxpartic     NUMBER;
191     totalchildren     NUMBER;
192     totaladults       NUMBER;
193     tourchildcost     NUMBER;
194     touradultcost     NUMBER;
195     tourbookcost      NUMBER;
196
197 BEGIN
198     arg_booking_success := '';
199
200     -- Check that some participants have been handed in for this booking
201     IF (arg_book_no_adults = 0) AND ( arg_book_no_children = 0) THEN
202         raise no_participants;
203     END IF;
204
205     -- Check customer, tour and booking validity
206
207     -- check_cust and tour are valid;
208     IF NOT valid_customer (arg_cust_no) THEN
209         raise invalid_customer;
```

See completed package code on Moodle

Package Testing

- Bind variables can be used in PL/SQL and SQL (in the SQL Developer SQL Worksheet)
- Test Harness for package
 - A single SQL file which tests the **full** functionality of your package
 - Include a spool command on the first line to capture output into a text file

```
-- null phone number
var new_custno number
exec fbn.add_customer('Smith',.....,null,:new_custno);
print new_custno

select * from customer where cust_no = :new_custno;
```

Summary

- Discussed Oracle system tables: user_objects and user_constraints, which are a part of Oracle Data Dictionary.
- Oracle data dictionary refers to a read-only set of tables that provides information about the Oracle database.
- The user_objects and user_constraints tables record all objects and constraints created/owned by the user.
- Explained the “cleanout” procedure which is used to remove all Oracle objects and constraints owned by the user.
- Discussed the purposes of having a PL/SQL package
- Demonstrated how to create, execute and save a package for future use
- Demonstrated how to create and run a test harness for a package, which is creating a single SQL file to test the **full** functionality of the package