

## Referential Integrity Validation Using PL/SQL

Here is a simple example of how you can perform referential integrity validation using PL/SQL in an Oracle database:

Let's say we have two tables: "Orders" and "Customers." The "Orders" table has a foreign key constraint referencing the "Customers" table to ensure that every order is associated with a valid customer.

Create the "Customers" table:

```
CREATE TABLE Customers (  
    customer_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    customer_name VARCHAR2(100)  
);
```

Create the "Orders" table with a foreign key constraint:

```
CREATE TABLE Orders (  
    order_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    order_date DATE,  
    customer_id INT,  
    CONSTRAINT fk_orders_customers FOREIGN KEY (customer_id)  
        REFERENCES Customers (customer_id)  
);
```

Now, let's create a PL/SQL procedure to validate the referential integrity when inserting a new order:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE Insert_Order(  
    p_order_id INT,
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    p_order_date DATE,
    p_customer_id INT
) AS
    v_count INT;
BEGIN
    -- Check if the customer exists
    SELECT COUNT(*) INTO v_count
    FROM Customers
    WHERE customer_id = p_customer_id;

    -- If the customer doesn't exist, raise an exception
    IF v_count = 0 THEN
        RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR(-20001, 'Invalid customer ID');
    END IF;

    -- Insert the order
    INSERT INTO Orders (order_id, order_date, customer_id)
    VALUES (p_order_id, p_order_date, p_customer_id);

    COMMIT;

    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Order inserted successfully.');
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EXCEPTION
    WHEN OTHERS THEN
        ROLLBACK;

        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Error: ' || SQLERRM);
END;
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Test the procedure by inserting an order with a valid customer ID:

BEGIN

Insert\_Order(1, SYSDATE, 1001);

END;

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Test the procedure by inserting an order with an invalid customer ID:

BEGIN

Insert\_Order(2, SYSDATE, 9999);

END;

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In the second test, since the customer with ID 9999 doesn't exist in the "Customers" table, the procedure will raise an exception and rollback the transaction.

This is a basic example of how you can perform referential integrity validation using PL/SQL.