

DATABASE PROGRAMMING WITH PL SQL 1/2

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Section 1 – Fundamentals

1-1 Introduction to PL/SQL

Procedural Constructs	Programming language features such as reusable/callable program units, modular blocks, cursors, constants, variables, assignment statements, conditional control statements, and loops.
PL/SQL	Oracle Corporations standard procedural language for relational databases which allows basic program logic and control flow to be combined with SQL statements.

MySQL	ORACLE
set @prom = (select avg(salary) from employees);	define prom = (select avg(salary) from employees);
select avg(salary) into @prom from employees;	select &prom promedio from dual;
select @prom from dual;	
set @stmt = 'SELECT employee_id, salary FROM employees';	DEFINE colname=salary ;
execute IMMEDIATE @stmt;	SELECT employee_id, &colname FROM employees;

Procedural Language extension to SQL.

```
-- anonymous procedures
set serveroutput on
declare
prom number;
begin
select avg(salary) into prom from employees;
dbms_output.put_line('promedio: ' || prom);
end;
/
```

```
set serveroutput on;
                                                CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE tabla(numero NUMBER)
declare
  numero number := 5;
                                                cadena VARCHAR2(100);
  cadena varchar2(100);
                                                BEGIN
  i integer default 1;
                                                    FOR i IN reverse 1..10 LOOP
                                                      cadena := numero ||
begin
                                                         'x'||i||'='|| (numero*i);
  loop
    cadena := numero || ' x ' ||
                                                      dbms_output.put_line(cadena);
        i || ' = ' || (numero*i);
                                                    END LOOP;
    dbms output.put line(cadena);
                                                END;
    EXIT WHEN i >= 10;
    i := i + 1;
  end loop;
end;
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION factorial(m number)
                                                  DECLARE
  RETURN number
                                                    CURSOR cursor_employees IS
IS
                                                      SELECT * FROM employees
  r number default 1;
                                                        where department_id = 60;
  n number := m;
                                                    v_contador number := 0;
                                                  BEGIN
BEGIN
                                                    dbms_output.put_line('No. LastName');
   while (n > 0) loop
      r := r * n;
                                                     FOR r emp in cursor employees LOOP
      n := n - 1;
                                                        v contador := v contador +1 ;
   end loop;
                                                         dbms_output.put_line(v_contador ||' '||
   return r;
                                                                              r_emp.last_name);
END;
                                                    END LOOP;
```

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```
DECLARE
CURSOR cursor_employees IS SELECT * FROM employees;
BEGIN
    FOR c emp in cursor employees LOOP
        IF c_emp.job_id= 'SA_REP' AND c_emp.hire_date<='05-Feb-2005' THEN</pre>
            UPDATE employees SET job id= 'SR SA REP'
            WHERE employee id= c emp.employee id;
        ELSIF c_emp.job_id= 'MK_REP' AND c_emp.hire_date<= '05-Feb-2005' THEN
            UPDATE employees SET job_id= 'SR_MK_REP'
            WHERE employee_id= c_emp.employee_id;
        ELSIF c_emp.job_id = 'ST_CLERK' AND c_emp.hire_date<='05-Feb-2005' THEN
            UPDATE employees SET job id= 'SR ST CLRK'
            WHERE employee id= c emp.employee id;
        END IF;
    END LOOP;
END;
```

1-2 Benefits of PL/SQL

Portability	The ability for PL/SQL programs to run anywhere an Oracle server runs.
Blocks	The basic unit of PL/SQL programs - also known as modules.
Exceptions	An error that occurs in the database or in a user's program during runtime.

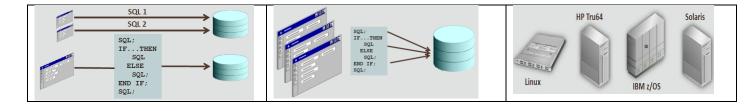
You can nest blocks inside other blocks to build powerful programs.

PL/SQL is integrated in Oracle tools, such as Oracle Forms Developer, Oracle Report Builder, and Application Express.

You can write portable program packages and create libraries that can be reused in different environments.

Exception Handling:

- If no data is found then...
- If too many rows are found then...
- If an invalid number is calculated then...



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PL	PL/SQL in Oracle Products		
	Oracle Product	PL/SQL	
	DATABASE 118	You can write PL/SQL code to manage application data or to manage the Oracle database itself. For example, you can write code for updating data (DML), creating data (DDL), generating reports, managing security, and so on.	
	APPLICATION SERVER 10 ^g	Using the Web Application Toolkit, you can create database-centric web applications written entirely or partially in PL/SQL.	
	ORACLE 10g	Using Forms Builder and Reports Developer, Oracle's client-side developer tools, you can build database-centric web applications and reports that include PL/SQL.	
	ORACLE' Application Express	Using a Web browser you can develop web applications that include PL/SQL.	

1-3 Creating PL/SQL Blocks

Anonymous PL/SQL block	Unnamed blocks of code not stored in the database and do not exist after they are executed
Function	A program that computes and returns a single value
Subprograms	Named PL/SQL blocks that are stored in the database and can be declared as procedures or functions
Compiler	Software that checks and translates programs written in high-level programming languages into binary code to execute
Procedure	A program that performs an action, but does not have to return a value

Application Express	Browser-based, database-driven, application development environment.
SQL Workshop	A component of Application Express.
Application Builder	A component of Application Express.
SQL Developer	An IDE for database development and management.
JDeveloper	An IDE for Java-based development.
NetBeans	An IDE for Java, HTML5, PHP, and C++.

Anonymous Blocks	Procedure: Performs an action	Function: Computes and returns a value
[DECLARE]	PROCEDURE name	FUNCTION name
variable declarations	IS	RETURN datatype
BEGIN	variable declarations	IS
statements	BEGIN	variable declaration(s)
[EXCEPTION]	statements	BEGIN
END;	[EXCEPTION]	statements
	END;	RETURN value;
		[EXCEPTION]
		END;

Section	Description	Inclusion

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Declarative (DECLARE)	Contains declarations of all variables, constants, cursors, and user-defined exceptions that are referenced in the executable and exception sections.	Optional
Executable (BEGIN END;)	Contains SQL statements to retrieve data from the database and PL/SQL statements to manipulate data in the block. Must contain at least one statement.	Mandatory
Exception (EXCEPTION)	Specifies the actions to perform when errors and abnormal conditions arise in the executable section.	Optional

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```
EXCEPTIONS
set SERVEROUTPUT ON;
DECLARE
    v first name VARCHAR2(25);
    v last name VARCHAR2(25);
BEGIN
    SELECT first_name, last_name
    INTO v_first_name, v_last_name
    FROM employees
    WHERE last name= 'King';
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('The employee of the month is: ' ||
                          v first name|| ' ' || v last name|| '.');
EXCEPTION
    WHEN TOO MANY ROWS THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('Your select statement retrieved multiple rows.
                            Consider using a cursor or changingthe search criteria.');
END;
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE print_date
IS
v_date VARCHAR2(30);
BEGIN
SELECT TO_CHAR(SYSDATE,'Mon DD, YYYY') INTO v_date FROM DUAL;
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_date);
END;
begin
PRINT_DATE;
end;
/
call print_date();
execute print_date();
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION tomorrow(p_today IN DATE)

RETURN DATE

IS

v_tomorrow DATE;

BEGIN

SELECT p_today+1 INTO v_tomorrow FROM DUAL;

RETURN v_tomorrow;

END;

PROM DUAL;

RETURN v_tomorrow;

END;

BEGIN

DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TOMORROW(SYSDATE));

END;

/

SELECT TOMORROW(SYSDATE) FROM DUAL;
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION factorial(m number)
                                                     set SERVEROUTPUT ON
  RETURN number
                                                    BEGIN
IS
                                                    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(factorial(5));
  r number default 1;
                                                    END;
  n number := m;
BEGIN
   while (n > 0) loop
                                                    select factorial(5) from dual;
      r := r * n;
      n := n - 1;
   end loop;
   return r;
END;
```

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Section 2 – Defining Variables and Datatypes

2-1 Using Variables in PL/SQL

Variables	Used for storage of data and manipulation of stored values.
Parameters	Values passed to a program by a user or by another program to customize the program.

Identifier [CONSTANT] datatype [NOT NULL] [:= expr| DEFAULT expr];

```
set SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
/* Declaracion de
    Variables */
    v_counter INTEGER := 0;
    v_contador number(3) DEFAULT 0;
    v_name VARCHAR2(20) := 'John';
    v_date Date default SYSDATE;
    c_pi constant number(5,4) := 3.1416;
    v_activo BOOLEAN := True;
BEGIN
    v_counter:= v_counter + 1;
    -- SELECT SYSDATE INTO v_date FROM DUAL;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_counter || ' ' || v_name || ' ' || v_date);
END;
//
```

2-2 Recognizing PL/SQL Lexical Units

Literals	An explicit numeric, character string, date, or Boolean value that is not represented
	by an identifier. 'UPA' != 'Upa'
Delimiters	Symbols that have special meaning to an Oracle database.
Reserved words	Words that have special meaning to an Oracle database and cannot be used as
	identifiers.
Comments	Describe the purpose and use of each code segment and are ignored by PL/SQL.
Identifiers	A name, up to 30 characters in length, given to a PL/SQL object. Not sensitive
	May include \$ (dollar sign), _ (underscore), or # (hashtag) . vCounter\$ = vcounter\$
Lexical Units	Building blocks of any PL/SQL block and are sequences of characters including
	letters, digits, tabs, returns, and symbols.

Partial List of Reserved Words

ALL	CREATE	FROM	MODIFY	SELECT
ALTER	DATE	GROUP	NOT	SYNONYM
AND	DEFAULT	HAVING	NULL	SYSDATE
ANY	DELETE	IN	NUMBER	TABLE
AS	DESC	INDEX	OR	THEN
ASC	DISTINCT	INSERT	ORDER	UPDATE
BETWEEN	DROP	INTEGER	RENAME	VALUES
CHAR	ELSE	INTO	ROW	VARCHAR2
COLUMN	EXISTS	IS	ROWID	VIEW
COMMENT	FOR	LIKE	ROWNUM	WHERE

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Delimiters

Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
+	addition operator	<>	inequality operator
-	subtraction/negation operator	!=	inequality operator
*	multiplication operator	- 11	concatenation operator
/	division operator		single-line comment indicator
=	equality operator	/*	beginning comment delimiter
1	character string delimiter	*/	ending comment delimiter
;	statement terminator	**	exponent
		:=	assignment operator

2-3 Recognizing Data Types

Object	A schema object with a name, attributes, and methods.
Scalar	Hold a single value with no internal components.
Composite	Contain internal elements that are either scalar (record) or composite (record and table)
Reference	Hold values, called pointers, that point to a storage location.
LOB	Hold values, called locators, that specify the location of large objects (such as graphic
	images) that are stored out of line. (text, images, video, audio) up to 4GB
BFILE	Store large binary files outside of the database.
BLOB	Store large unstructured or structured binary objects.
CLOB	Store large blocks of character data in the database.
NCLOB	Store large blocks of single-byte or fixed width multi-byte NCHAR data in the database.
	National language character large object (NCLOB)

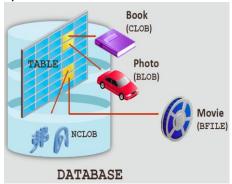
PL/SQL supports five categories of data type

Data Type	Description
Scalar	Holds a single value with no internal elements.
	Character (char [132767], varchar2, long(2GB)
	Number(number, pls_integer)
	Date(date, Timestamp)
	Boolean (True, False, Null)
Composite	Contains multiple internal elements that can be manipulated
	individually. Record(One row), Table, Varray
	RECORD v_emp_record employees%ROWTYPE;
	v_emp_record.first_name
Large Object	Holds values called locators that specify the location of large
(LOB)	objects (such as graphic images) that are stored out of line.
Reference	Holds values called pointers that point to a storage location.
Object	It is a schema object with a name, attributes, and methods.
	An object data type is similar to the class mechanism
	supported by C++ and Java.

LOB Data Type

CLOB, BLOB, and NCLOB data is stored in the database, either inside or outside of the row.

BFILE data is stored in operating system files outside the database.



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2-4 Using Scalar Data Types

BOOLEAN	A datatype that stores one of the three possible values used for logical calculations: TRUE, FALSE, or NULL.
%TYPE	Attribute used to declare a variable according to another previously declared variable or database column. PL/SQL determines the data type and size of the variable.

Identifier table_name.column_name%TYPE; Identifier identifier%TYPE;

```
set SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
   v valid
               BOOLEAN := True;
   v id
                employees.employee id%TYPE default 100;
   v_last_name VARCHAR2(25);
                employees.salary%TYPE;
   v salary
   v_new_salary v_salary%TYPE;
BEGIN
    select last name, salary into v last name, v salary
    from employees where employee id = v id;
    IF v valid THEN
        DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE(v Last name || ' ' || (v salary+1));
       DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE('Test is FALSE');
   END IF;
END;
```

2-5 Writing PL/SQL Executable Statements

-	Converts values from one data type to another by using built-in functions.
Implicit conversion	Converts data types dynamically if they are mixed in a statement.

Character F	unctions:		Number	Functions:		Date Functions:	
ASCII	LENGTH	RPAD	ABS	EXP	ROUND	ADD_MONTHS	MONTHS_BETWEEN
CHR	LOWER	RTRIM	ACOS	LN	SIGN	CURRENT_DATE	ROUND
CONCAT	LPAD	SUBSTR	ASIN	LOG	SIN	CURRENT TIMESTAMP	SYSDATE
INITCAP	LTRIM	TRIM	ATAN	MOD	TAN	_	
INSTR	REPLACE	UPPER	COS	POWER	TRUNC	LAST_DAY	TRUNC

Implicit Conversions (It's not recommended)	Explicit Conversions	
	TO_NUMBER()	ROWIDTONCHAR()
	TO_CHAR()	HEXTORAW()
	TO_CLOB()	RAWTOHEX()
	CHARTOROWID()	RAWTONHEX()
	ROWIDTOCHAR()	TO_DATE()

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Operator	Operation
**	Exponentiation
+, -	Identity, negation
*,/	Multiplication, division
+, -,	Addition, subtraction, concatenation
=, <, >, <=, >=, <>, !=, IS NULL, LIKE, BETWEEN, IN	Comparison
NOT	Logical negation
AND	Conjunction
OR	Inclusion

Statements can continue over several lines:	DECLARE
v_quote := 'The only thing that we can know is that we know	x VARCHAR2(20);
nothing and that is the highest flight of human reason.';	BEGIN
	x := '123' + '456' ;
Numbers can be simple values or scientific notation: v_salary number := 2E4;	DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(x);
v_good_sal := v_sal BETWEEN 5000 AND 15000;	END;

2-6 Nested Blocks and Variable Scope

Block label	A name given to a block of code which allows access to the variables that have scope, but are not visible.
Variable scope	Consists of all the blocks in which the variable is either local (the declaring block) or
	global (nested blocks within the declaring block).
Variable visibility	The portion of the program where the variable can be accessed without using a
	qualifier.

```
<<outer>>
                                                    DECLARE
<<outer>>
                                                      v_father_name VARCHAR2(20):='Patrick';
optional Label with
                                                      v_date_of_birth DATE:='20-Apr-1972';
                                                    BEGIN
any name
                                                      DECLARE
                                                        v_child_name VARCHAR2(20):='Mike';
                                                        v_date_of_birth DATE:='12-Dec-2002';
                                                      BEGIN
                                                        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Father''s Name: '||v_father_name);
                                                        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Date of Birth: ' ||outer.v_date_of_birth);
                                                        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Child''s Name: ' ||v_child_name);
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Date of Birth: ' ||v_date_of_birth);
DECLARE
  v_outer_var VARCHAR2(20):='GLOBAL';
BEGIN
                                                      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('');
                                                      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Date of Birth: ' || v_date_of_birth);
  DECLARE
     v inner var VARCHAR2(20):='LOCAL';
  BEGIN
     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_inner_var);
     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_outer_var);
  END;
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_outer_var);
END;
```

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2-7 Good Programming Practices

Category	Case Convention	Examples					
SQL keywords	Uppercase	SELECT, INSERT					
PL/SQL keywords	Uppercase	DECLARE, BEGIN, IF					
Data types	Uppercase	VARCHAR2, BOOLEAN					
Identifiers (variables, etc.)	Lowercase	v_salary, emp_cursor, c_tax_rate, p_empno					
Tables and columns Lowercase		employees, dept_id, salary, hire_date					

Variables starting with v_ indent each level of code use %TYPE

Constants starting with c_

Parameters starting with p_

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Section 3 – Using SQL in PL/SQL

3-1 Review of SQL DML

DELETE	Statement used to remove existing rows in a table.
INSERT	Statement used to add new rows to a table.
MERGE	Statement used to INSERT and/or UPDATE a target table, based on matching values in a
	source table. UPSERT
UPDATE	Statement used to modify existing rows in a table.
DDL	When you create, change, or delete an object in a database.
DML	When you change data in an object (for example, by inserting or deleting rows).

DELETE FROM employees WHERE departme	nt_id= 80;	If the WHERE clause is omitted, ALL rows will be deleted					
LIBDATE amployees	If the WHERE	Jausa is amitted ALL rows will be modified					

UPDATE employees	If the WHERE clause is omitted, ALL rows will be modified.
SET salary = 11000, commission_pct= .3	
WHERE employee_id= 176;	

1	2					
CREATE TABLE bonuses (INSERT INTO bonuses(employee_id)					
employee_id NUMBER(6,0) NOT NULL,	SELECT employee_id FROM employees					
bonus NUMBER(8,2) DEFAULT 0);	WHERE salary < 10000;					
3						
MERGE INTO bonuses b						
USING employees e						
ON (b.employee_id= e.employee_id)						
WHEN MATCHED THEN						
UPDATE SET b.bonus= e.salary * .05;						
WHEN not MATCHED THEN						
INSERT VALUES(e.employee_id, e.bonus);						

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3-2 Retrieving Data in PL/SQL

You cannot use DDL and DCL directly in PL/SQL, except to use Dynamic SQL "Execute Immediate" statement.

Handle Style	Description						
DDL	CREATE TABLE, ALTER TABLE, DROP TABLE						
DCL	GRANT, REVOKE						

```
set SERVEROUTPUT ON
SELECT select_list
INTO {variable_name [, variable_name]...
                                           DECLARE
     | record_name}
                                             v_id employees.employee_id%TYPE:= 100;
FROM table
                                             r_emp employees%ROWTYPE;
WHERE condition;
                                           BEGIN
                                             SELECT * INTO r_emp
                                             FROM employees
                                             WHERE employee_id = v_id;
                                             if SQL%FOUND THEN
                                                DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(r_emp.last_name||' '||r_emp.salary);
                                             End if;
                                           END;
```

3-3 Manipulating Data in PL/SQL

Implicit cursors	Defined automatically by Oracle for all SQL data manipulation statements, and for queries that return only one row. An implicit cursor is always automatically named "SQL"
Explicit cursors	Defined by the programmer for queries that return more than one row.
MERGE	Statement <u>selects</u> rows from one table to update and/or insert into another table. The decision whether to update or insert into the target table is based on a condition in the ON clause.
INSERT	Statement adds new rows to the table.
DELETE	Statement removes rows from the table.
UPDATE	Statement modifies existing rows in the table.

Cursor Attributes for Implicit Cursors

Attribute	Description
SQL%FOUND	Boolean attribute that evaluates to TRUE if the most recent SQL statement returned
	at least one row.
SQL%NOTFOUND	Boolean attribute that evaluates to TRUE if the most recent SQL statement did not
	return even one row.
SQL%ROWCOUNT	An integer value that represents the number of rows affected by the most recent SQL
	statement.

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```
set SERVEROUTPUT ON

DECLARE

v_sal_increase employees.salary%TYPE:= 800;

BEGIN

UPDATE copy_emp

SET salary = salary + v_sal_increase

WHERE job_id = 'ST_CLERK';

DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(SQL%ROWCOUNT || ' rows updated.');

END;
```

3-4 Using Transaction Control Statements

Transaction	An inseparable list of database operations, which must be executed either in its entirety or
	not at all.
ROLLBACK	Used for discarding any changes that were made to the database after the last COMMIT.
SAVEPOINT	Used to mark an intermediate point in transaction processing.
COMMIT	Statement used to make database changes permanent.
END	Keyword used to signal the end of a PL/SQL block, not the end of a transaction.

```
BEGIN
INSERT INTO pairtable VALUES (1, 2);
COMMIT;
END;

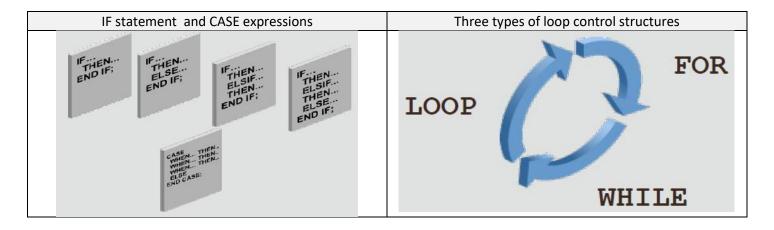
BEGIN
INSERT INTO pairtable VALUES (7, 8);
SAVEPOINT my_sp_1;
INSERT INTO pairtable VALUES (9, 10);
SAVEPOINT my_sp_2;
INSERT INTO pairtable VALUES (11, 12);
ROLLBACK to my_sp_1;
INSERT INTO pairtable VALUES (13, 14);
COMMIT;
END;
```

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Section 4 – Program Structures to Control Execution Flow

4-1 Conditional Control: IF Statements

IF	Statement that enables PL/SQL to perform actions selectively based on conditions.
LOOP	Control structures – Repetition statements that enable you to execute statements in a PL/SQL block repeatedly.
Condition	An expression with a TRUE or FALSE value that is used to make a decision.
CASE	An expression that determines a course of action based on conditions and can be used outside a PL/SQL block in a SQL statement.



```
IF condition THEN
                            set SERVEROUTPUT ON
    statements:
                            DECLARE
[ELSIF condition THEN
                                v_myage NUMBER := 10;
    statements;]
                            BEGIN
[ELSIF condition THEN
                                IF v_myage > 0 AND v_myage< 11 THEN</pre>
                                    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('I am a child');
    statements;]
[ELSE
                                ELSIF v_myage< 20 THEN
    statements;]
                                    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('I am young');
END IF;
                                ELSIF v_myage< 30 THEN
                                    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('I am in my twenties');
                                ELSIF v_myage< 40 THEN
                                    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('I am in my thirties');
                                ELSE
                                    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('I am mature');
                                END IF;
                            END;
```

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4-2 Conditional Control: Case Statements

Logic Tables	Shows the results of all possible combinations of two conditions.					
CASE statement	A block of code that performs actions based on conditional tests.					
CASE expression	An expression that selects a result and returns it into a variable.					

Logic Tables														
AND	TRUE	FALSE	NULL			OR	TRUE	FALSE	NULL			NOT		
TRUE	TRUE	Ex. FALSE	NULL			TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE			TRUE	FALSE	
FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE			FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	NULL			FALSE	TRUE	
NULL	NULL	FALSE	NULL			NULL	TRUE	NULL	NULL			NULL	NULL	

```
CASE Statements
DECLARE
                                               DECLARE
                                                   v_age NUMBER := 10;
  v_age NUMBER := 10;
  v_txt varchar2(50);
                                                   v_txt varchar2(50);
                                               BEGIN
BEGIN
  CASE v_age
                                                   CASE
    WHEN 0 THEN v_txt := 'unborn';
                                                        WHEN v_age < 11 THEN v_txt := 'child';
                                                        WHEN v_age < 20 THEN v_txt := 'young';
WHEN v_age < 30 THEN v_txt := 'twenties';
    WHEN 10 THEN v_txt := 'teenager';
    ELSE v_txt := 'I do not know';
  END CASE;
                                                        ELSE v_txt := 'I am mature';
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(V_TXT);
                                                   END CASE;
END;
                                                   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(V_TXT);
                                               END;
```

CASE Expression Syntax		
variable_name:=	variable_name:= CASE	
CASE selector	WHEN search_condition1 THEN result1	
WHEN expression1 THEN result1	WHEN search_condition2 THEN result2	
WHEN expression2 THEN result2		
	WHEN search_conditionN THEN resultN	
WHEN expressionN THEN resultN	[ELSE resultN+1]	
[ELSE resultN+1]	END;	
END;		
DECLARE	DECLARE	
v_grade CHAR(1) := 'A';	v_grade CHAR(1) := 'A';	
v_appraisal VARCHAR2(20);	v_appraisal VARCHAR2(20);	
BEGIN	BEGIN	
v_appraisal:=	v_appraisal :=	
CASE v_grade	CASE	
WHEN 'A' THEN 'Excellent'	WHEN v_grade = 'A' THEN 'Excellent'	
WHEN 'B' THEN 'Very Good'	WHEN v_grade IN ('B','C') THEN 'Good'	
ELSE 'No such grade'	ELSE 'No such grade'	
END;	END;	
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_appraisal);	<pre>DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE (v_appraisal);</pre>	
END;	END;	

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4-3 Iterative Control: Basic Loops

Basic Loop	Encloses a sequence of statements between the keywords LOOP and END LOOP and	
	must execute at least once.	
EXIT	Statement to terminate a loop.	

```
Without the EXIT statement,
                            the loop would never end (an infinite loop)
BEGIN
                             DECLARE
                                                                     DECLARE
  LOOP
                               v_counter NUMBER(2) := 1;
                                                                       v_counter NUMBER := 1;
                             BEGIN
                                                                     BEGIN
    statements;
    EXIT [WHEN condition];
                               LOOP
                                                                       LOOP
                                                                         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_counter);
  END LOOP;
                                 DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_counter);
END;
                                 v_counter := v_counter + 1;
                                                                         v_counter := v_counter + 1;
                                 EXIT WHEN v_counter > 5;
                                                                         IF v_counter > 5 THEN EXIT;
                               END LOOP;
                                                                         END IF;
                             END;
                                                                       END LOOP;
                                                                     END;
```

4-4 Iterative Control: While and For Loops

WHILE Loop	Repeats a sequence of statements until the controlling condition is no longer TRUE.
FOR Loop	Repeats a sequence of statements until a set number of iterations have been
	completed.

WHILE condition LOOP	FOR counter IN [REVERSE] lowerupper LOOP
statement1;	statement1;
statement2;	statement2;
END LOOP;	END LOOP;
DECLARE	DECLARE
v_counter NUMBER(2) := 1;	v_limit NUMBER(2) := 5;
BEGIN	BEGIN
WHILE v_counter < 5 LOOP	FOR i IN 1v_limit LOOP
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_counter);	DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i);
v_counter := v_counter + 1;	END LOOP;
END LOOP;	END;
END;	

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4-5 Iterative Control: Nested Loops

```
Declare
                                           DECLARE
 r varchar(50);
                                            i PLS_INTEGER:= 0;
BEGIN
                                            j PLS_INTEGER:= 5;
 FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP
                                            v_r varchar2(50);
   FOR j IN REVERSE 1..5 LOOP
                                           BEGIN
     r := i || ' X ' || j || ' = ' || i*j;
                                             <<outer_loop>> -- Label
     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(r);
                                             LOOP
   END LOOP;
                                               i := i + 1;
   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('');
 END LOOP;
                                               j := 5;
                                               EXIT WHEN i> 3;
END;
                                               <<inner_loop>> -- Label
                                               L00P
                                                 v_r := i || ' X ' || j || ' = ' || i*j;
                                                 DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_r);
                                                 j := j-1;
                                                 EXIT WHEN j = 0;
                                               END LOOP inner loop;
                                               DBMS OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('');
                                             END LOOP -- outer_loop;
                                           END;
```

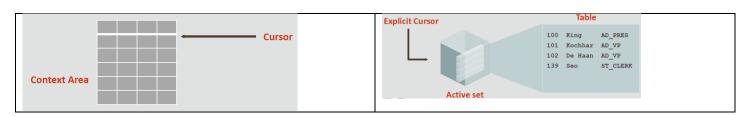
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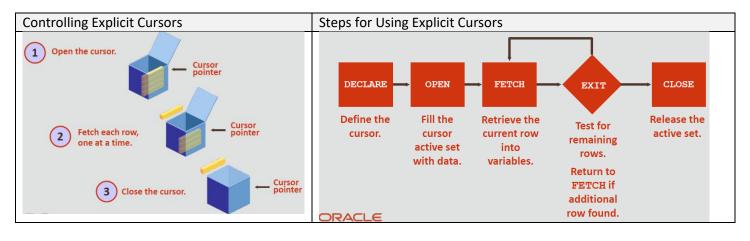
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Section 5 – Using Cursors and Parameters

5-1 Introduction to Explicit Cursors

Implicit Cursor	Defined automatically by Oracle for all SQL DML statements, and for SELECT
	statements that return only one row
Explicit Cursor	Declared by the programmer for queries that return more than one row
Cursor	A label for a context area or a pointer to the context area
Context Area	An allocated memory area used to store the data processed by a SQL statement
Active set	The set of rows returned by a multiple row query in an explicit cursor operation
OPEN	Statement that executes the query associated with the cursor, identifies the active set, and positions the cursor pointer to the first row
FETCH	Statement that retrieves the current row and advances the cursor to the next row either until there are no more rows or until a specified condition is met
CLOSE	Disables a cursor, releases the context area, and undefines the active set





```
DECLARE
CURSOR cur_depts IS
   SELECT department_id, department_name
   FROM departments;
BEGIN
   FOR c_dep in cur_depts LOOP
       DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(c_dep.department_id||' '||c_dep.department_name);
   END LOOP;
END;
```

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```
DECLARE

CURSOR cur_depts IS

SELECT department_id, department_name FROM departments;

v_department_id departments.department_id%TYPE;

v_department_name departments.department_name%TYPE;

BEGIN

OPEN cur_depts;

LOOP

FETCH cur_depts INTO v_department_id, v_department_name; -- 2 variables

EXIT WHEN cur_depts%NOTFOUND;

DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_department_id||''||v_department_name);

END LOOP;

CLOSE cur_depts;

END;
```

```
DECLARE

CURSOR cur_depts_emps IS

SELECT department_name, COUNT(*) AS how_many

FROM departments d, employees e

WHERE d.department_id = e.department_id

GROUP BY d.department_name

HAVING COUNT(*) > 1;
...
```

5-2 Using Explicit Cursor Attributes

Attribute	Туре	Description
Record		A composite data type in PL/SQL, consisting of a number of fields each with their own name and data type
%ROWTYPE		Declares a record with the same fields as the cursor on which it is based
%ISOPEN	Boolean	Evaluates to TRUE if the cursor is open.
%NOTFOUND	Boolean	Evaluates to TRUE if the most recent fetch did not return a row.
%FOUND	Boolean	Evaluates to TRUE if the most recent fetch returned a row; opposite of %NOTFOUND.
%ROWCOUNT	Number	Evaluates to the total number of rows FETCHed so far.

```
set SERVEROUTPUT ON
                                              DECLARE
DECLARE
                                                  CURSOR cur_emps_dept IS
                                                       SELECT last_name, department_name
    CURSOR cur_emps IS
        SELECT * FROM employees
                                                       FROM employees e, departments d
        WHERE department id= 60;
                                                      WHERE e.department id=d.department id;
    r_emp cur_emps%ROWTYPE;
                                                  r_emp_dep cur_emps_dept%ROWTYPE;
BEGIN
                                              BEGIN
    OPEN cur_emps;
                                                  OPEN cur_emps_dept;
    L00P
                                                  L00P
        FETCH cur_emps INTO r_emp;
                                                       FETCH cur_emps_dept INTO r_emp_dep;
        EXIT WHEN cur emps%NOTFOUND;
                                                       EXIT WHEN cur emps dept%NOTFOUND OR
        DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE(
                                                                 cur_emps_dept%ROWCOUNT> 10;
                                                      DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE(
          r emp.employee id|| ' - ' ||
          r emp.last name);
                                                           r emp dep.last name||' - '||
    END LOOP;
                                                           r_emp_dep.department_name);
    CLOSE cur_emps;
                                                  END LOOP;
END;
                                                  CLOSE cur_emps_dept;
                                              END;
```

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```
IF NOT cur_emps%ISOPEN THEN
   OPEN cur_emps;
END IF;
LOOP
FETCH cur_emps...
```

5-3 Cursor FOR Loops

```
Cursor FOR loop

Automates standard cursor-handling operations such as OPEN, FETCH,
%NOTFOUND, and CLOSE so that they do not need to be coded explicitly
```

```
DECLARE
FOR record name IN cursor name LOOP
    statement1;
                                              CURSOR cur dep IS
    statement2;
                                                SELECT department id, department name
                                                  FROM departments
END LOOP;
                                                  ORDER BY department id;
                                              BEGIN
   ■ Without declare the cursor
                                                  FOR r dep IN cur dep LOOP
                                                    EXIT WHEN cur dep%ROWCOUNT > 5;
BEGIN
 FOR r_emp IN (SELECT * FROM employees
                                                    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(r_dep.department_id ||
                                                                  ' ' || r_dep.department_name);
                WHERE department id= 50)
 L00P
                                                  END LOOP;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(r_emp.last_name);
                                              END;
  END LOOP;
END;
```

5-4 Cursors with Parameters

```
CURSOR cursor_name

[(parameter_name datatype, ...)]

IS

select_statement;

OPEN cursor_name(parameter_value1,
parameter_value2, ...);

FOR r_emp IN cur_emp(60) LOOP
```

```
DECLARE
                                                   DECLARE
                                                       CURSOR cur emp(p dep integer) IS
  CURSOR cursor employees( p dep number) IS
    SELECT * FROM employees
                                                           SELECT * FROM employees
    where department_id = p_dep;
                                                           WHERE department_id= p_dep;
                                                       r_emp cur_emp%ROWTYPE;
  v contador number := 0;
BEGIN
                                                   BEGIN
  dbms output.put line('No. LastName');
                                                       OPEN cur emp(90);
  FOR r emp in cursor employees(90) LOOP
                                                       LO<sub>O</sub>P
      v_contador := v_contador +1 ;
                                                           FETCH cur emp INTO r emp;
      dbms_output.put_line(v_contador ||' '||
                                                           EXIT WHEN cur_emp%NOTFOUND;
                            r emp.last name);
                                                           DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE(
  END LOOP;
                                                             r_emp.employee_id|| ' - ' ||
                                                             r_emp.last_name);
END;
                                                       END LOOP;
                                                       CLOSE cur emp;
```

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```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE pr Emp(p dep NUMBER)
                                                  CREATE PROCEDURE pr Emp2(p dep NUMBER)
CURSOR cursor_employees(p_dep number) IS
                                                  CURSOR cursor employees IS
  SELECT * FROM employees
                                                     SELECT * FROM employees
  where department id = p dep;
                                                     where department id = p dep;
v contador number := 0;
                                                  v contador number := 0;
BEGIN
                                                  BEGIN
  dbms_output.put_line('No. LastName');
                                                     dbms output.put line('No. LastName');
  FOR r_emp in cursor_employees(p_dep) LOOP
                                                     FOR r_emp in cursor_employees LOOP
      v_contador := v_contador +1 ;
                                                         v_contador := v_contador +1 ;
      dbms_output.put_line(v_contador ||' '||
                                                         dbms_output.put_line(v_contador ||
                                                                       ' '|| r emp.last name);
                           r emp.last name);
  END LOOP;
                                                    END LOOP;
END;
                                                  END;
                                                  call pr_Emp2(90); -- little aesthetic.
call pr_Emp(90);
```

5-5 Using Cursors For Update

FOR UPDATE	Declares that each row is locked as it is being fetched so other users cannot modify	
	the rows while the cursor is open	
NOWAIT	A keyword used to tell the Oracle server not to wait if the requested rows have	
	already been locked by another user	

```
CURSOR cursor_name IS
SELECT... FROM...
FOR UPDATE [OF column_reference] [NOWAIT | WAIT n];
```

n = number of seconds to wait and check whether the rows are unlocked.

If the cursor is based on a join of two tables, we may want to lock the rows of one table but not the other To do this, we specify **any column** of the table we want to lock.

It also allows us to modify the rows ourselves using a ... WHERE CURRENT OF cursor-name

```
DECLARE

CURSOR cur_eds IS

SELECT employee_id, salary, department_name

FROM my_employees e, my_departments d

WHERE e.department_id = d.department_id

FOR UPDATE OF salary NOWAIT;

BEGIN

FOR r_eds IN cur_eds LOOP

UPDATE my_employees

SET salary = r_eds.salary * 1.1

WHERE CURRENT OF cur_eds;

END LOOP;

END;
```

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5-6 Using Multiple Cursors

Explain the need for using multiple cursors to produce multi-level reports

```
set SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
   CURSOR cur_dep IS
     SELECT * FROM departments;
   CURSOR cur_emp (p_dep NUMBER) IS
     SELECT * FROM employees WHERE department_id = p_dep;
BEGIN
   FOR r_dep IN cur_dep LOOP
     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(upper(r_dep.department_name));
   FOR r_emp IN cur_emp (r_dep.department_id) LOOP
     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(r_emp.last_name);
   END LOOP;
   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('');
END LOOP;
END;
```

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Section 6 – Using Composite Datatypes

6-1 User-Defined Records

PL/SQL record

a composite data type consisting of a group of related data items stored as fields, each with its own name and data type

```
TYPE type_name IS RECORD
  (field_declaration[,field_declaration]..);
identifier type name;
```

```
set SERVEROUTPUT ON
                                         set SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
                                         DECLARE
             employees%ROWTYPE;
                                           TYPE person_type IS RECORD(
  r_emp
                                             employee id employees.employee id%type,
  r_emp_c
             r emp%ROWTYPE;
                                                         employees.last name%TYPE,
                                             last name
BEGIN
  SELECT * INTO r_emp
                                             dep id
                                                      departments.department_id%type,
  FROM employees
                                             dep name departments.department name%TYPE);
  WHERE employee id = 100;
                                           r per person type;
  r_{emp_c} := r_{emp};
                                         Begin
                                                                   e.last_name,
  r_emp_c.salary:=r_emp.salary* 1.2;
                                           SELECT e.employee id,
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(r_emp.last_name
                                                  d.department_id, d.department_name
    ||':0ld Salary='||r emp.salary
                                             INTO r per
    ||' New Salary='||r emp c.salary);
                                           FROM employees e JOIN departments d
                                             ON e.department id = d.department id
END;
                                           WHERE employee_id = 200;
                                           DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(r_per.employee_id||' '
                                             || r_per.last_name || ' is in the ' ||
                                                r_per.dep_name || ' department.');
                                         end;
```

Visibility and Scope of Types and Records

What will be displayed by each of the PUT LINEs?

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6-2 Indexing Tables of Records

Save in memory

Collection	A set of occurrences of the same kind of data
INDEX BY TABLE	A collection which is based on a single field or column; for example,
	on the last_name column of EMPLOYEES
INDEX BY TABLE OF RECORDS	A collection which is based on a composite record type; for example,
	on the whole DEPARTMENTS row

```
methods
Populating an INDEX BY Table
DECLARE
  TYPE type name IS TABLE OF DATA TYPE
                                                                  EXISTS
                                                                          PRIOR
    INDEX BY PRIMARY KEY DATA TYPE;
                                                                  COUNT
                                                                          NEXT
  identifier type name;
                                                                  FTRST
                                                                          DELETE
BEGIN
                                                                  LAST
                                                                          TRIM
  FOR record IN (SELECT column FROM table)
  LOOP
    identifier(primary key) := record.column;
  END LOOP;
END;
```

```
DECLARE
  TYPE t_Last_name IS TABLE OF employees.Last_name%TYPE
    INDEX BY BINARY_INTEGER;
  v_Last_name_tab t_Last_name;
BEGIN
  FOR emp rec IN (SELECT employee id, Last name FROM employees) LOOP
    v Last name tab(emp rec.employee id) := emp rec.Last name;
  END LOOP;
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_Last_name_tab.COUNT);
                                                     -- 20
                                                     -- 100
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_Last_name_tab.FIRST);
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_Last_name_tab.next(107)); -- 124
  DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE(v Last name tab.prior(124)); -- 107
  DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE(v Last name tab.last);
                                                    -- 206
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_Last_name_tab(100));
                                                    -- King
  DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE(v Last name tab(206));
                                                    -- Gientz
  v_Last_name_tab.DELETE(201);
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_Last_name_tab.next(200)); -- 202
  IF v Last name tab.EXISTS(200) then
     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_Last_name_tab(200));
                                                     -- Whalen
  end if;
END;
```

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INDEX BY Table of Records **DECLARE** TYPE t_emp IS TABLE OF employees%ROWTYPE INDEX BY BINARY_INTEGER; v_count BINARY_INTEGER := 0; i BINARY_INTEGER := 0; v_emp_tab t_emp; **BEGIN** FOR r_emp IN (SELECT * FROM employees order by employee_id) LOOP v_count := v_count + 1; v_emp_tab(v_count) := r_emp; END LOOP; DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_emp_tab.COUNT); DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_emp_tab(1).Last_name); i := v_emp_tab.Last; DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_emp_tab(i).Last_name); DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v_emp_tab(i).salary); END;

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Section 7 – Exception Handling

7-1 Handling Exceptions

Exception Handler	Code that defines the recovery actions to be performed when execution-time
	errors occur.
Exception	Occurs when an error is discovered during the execution of a program that
	disrupts the normal operation of the program.

```
DECLARE
    v_first_name VARCHAR2(25);
    v_last_name VARCHAR2(25);
BEGIN
    SELECT first name, last name
    INTO v_first_name, v_last_name
    FROM employees
    WHERE last_name = 'King ';
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('The employee of the month is: ' ||
                          v_first_name|| ' ' || v_last_name|| '.');
EXCEPTION
    WHEN TOO MANY ROWS THEN
         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('You select multiple rows.');
    WHEN NO DATA FOUND THEN
         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('You do not have any rows');
    WHEN OTHERS THEN
         DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE ('You do not know what happen');
END;
```

7-2 Trapping Oracle Server Exceptions

Predefined Oracle Server Errors	Each of these has a predefined name. For example, if the error ORA-01403 occurs when no rows are retrieved from the database in a SELECT statement, then PL/SQL raises the predefined exception-name NO_DATA_FOUND.
Non-predefined Oracle Server Errors	Each of these has a standard Oracle error number (ORA-nnnnn) and error message, but not a predefined name. We declare our own names for these so that we can reference these names in the exception section.
PRAGMA EXCEPTION_INIT	Tells the compiler to associate an exception name with an Oracle error number. That allows you to refer to any Oracle Server exception by name and to write a specific handler for it.
SQLCODE	Returns the numeric value for the error code (You can assign it to a NUMBER variable.)
SQLERRM	Returns character data containing the message associated with the error number

SQLCODE Value	Description
0	No exception encountered
1	User defined exception
+100	NO_DATA_FOUND exception
Negative number	Another Oracle Server error number

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```
begin
INSERT INTO departments (department_id, department_name) VALUES (280, NULL);
end;

Error report -
ORA-01400: cannot insert NULL into (DEPARTMENTS.DEPARTMENT_NAME)

*Cause: An attempt was made to insert NULL into previously listed objects.
*Action: These objects cannot accept NULL values.
```

```
Functions for Trapping Exceptions
DECLARE
  v_error_code
                  NUMBER;
  v error message VARCHAR2(255);
BEGIN
   INSERT INTO departments (department_id, department_name) VALUES (280, NULL);
EXCEPTION
   WHEN OTHERS THEN
      ROLLBACK;
      v_error_code :=
                        SQLCODE;
      v error message:= SQLERRM;
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('Error No. '|| v_error_code );
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('Descripcion '|| v_error_message );
END;
```

```
Non-predefined Oracle Server Errors

DECLARE
    e_insert_excep EXCEPTION;
    PRAGMA EXCEPTION_INIT(e_insert_excep, -01400);

BEGIN
    INSERT INTO departments (department_id, department_name) VALUES (280, NULL);

EXCEPTION
    WHEN e_insert_excep THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('INSERT FAILED');
END;
```

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7-3 Trapping User-Defined Exceptions

RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR	A procedure used to return user-defined error messages from stored subprograms.
RAISE	Use this statement to raise a named exception.
user-defined errors	These errors are not automatically raised by the Oracle Server, but are
	defined by the

```
DECLARE
   v_last_name employees.last_name%TYPE := 'Silly Name';
   e_name EXCEPTION;
   PRAGMA EXCEPTION INIT(e name, -20999); -- [-20000 .. -20999]
BEGIN
   DELETE FROM employees
   WHERE last name= v last name;
   IF SQL%ROWCOUNT = 0 THEN
      RAISE e_name;
      RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR(-20999, 'Invalid last name');
      DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE(v last name||' deleted');
   END IF;
EXCEPTION
   WHEN e_name THEN
      DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE('Valid last names are: ');
      FOR c1 IN (SELECT DISTINCT last name FROM employees) LOOP
          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(c1.last_name);
      END LOOP;
   WHEN OTHERS THEN
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Error deleting from employees');
END;
```

7-4 Recognizing the Scope of Exceptions

Propogation	The inner block terminates unsuccessfully, and PL/SQL passes the exception to	
	the outer block.	
Exception Visibility	The portion of the program where the exception can be accessed without using	
	a qualifier.	
Exception scope	The portion of a program in which the exception is declared and is accessible.	

```
set SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
  v_last_name employees.last_name%TYPE;
BEGIN
    BEGIN
    SELECT last_name INTO v_last_name
    FROM employees WHERE job_id = 'AD_PRES'; -- AD_PRES IT_PROG;
```

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```
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Message 1');
EXCEPTION

WHEN TOO_MANY_ROWS THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Message 2');
END;
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Message 3');
EXCEPTION

WHEN OTHERS THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Message 4');
END;
```

```
set SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
   e_myexcep EXCEPTION;
BEGIN
    BEGIN
        RAISE e_myexcep;
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Message 1');
    EXCEPTION
        WHEN TOO_MANY_ROWS THEN
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Message 2');
    END;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Message 3');
EXCEPTION
    WHEN e_myexcep THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Message 4');
END;
```

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Section 8 – Using and Managing Procedures

8-1 Creating Procedures

Subprograms	Named PL/SQL blocks that are compiled and stored in the database.	
IS or AS	Indicates the DECLARE section of a subprogram.	
Anonymous Blocks	Unnamed executable PL/SQL blocks that cannot be reused or stored in the database for later use.	
Procedures	Named PL/SQL blocks that can accept parameters and are compiled and stored in the database.	

Anonymous Blocks	Subprograms
Unnamed PL/SQL blocks	Named PL/SQL blocks
Compiled on every execution	Compiled only once, when created
Not stored in the database	Stored in the database
Cannot be invoked by other applications	They are named and therefore can be invoked by other applications
Do not return values	Subprograms called functions must return values
Cannot take parameters	Can take parameters

Two types of subprograms:

Functions: Must return a single value using the RETURN statement

Procedures: Does not return values.

The keyword DECLARE is replaced by CREATE PROCEDURE procedure-name $\mathsf{IS} \mid \mathsf{AS}$

In anonymous blocks, DECLARE states, "this is the start of a block".

Functions can be called from SQL, procedures can not.

Functions are considered expressions, procedures are not.

Parameters are Mode defaults to IN

Procedures and functions can both return data as OUT and IN OUT parameters.

Shows up in USER_OBJECTS as an object type of PROCEDURE More details in USER_PROCEDURES

Detailed PL/SQL code in USER_SOURCE

CREATE [OR REPLACE] PROCEDURE procedure_name
[(parameter1 [mode]datatype1,
parameter2 [mode]datatype2,)]
IS AS
[local_variable_declarations;]
BEGIN
actions;
[EXCEPTION]
END [procedure_name];

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8-2 Using Parameters in Procedures

8-3 Passing Parameters

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Section 9 – Using and Managing Functions

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