

1 Numeric Functions

Function	Description	Example
<code>ABS(n)</code>	Absolute value	<code>ABS(-5) → 5</code>
<code>CEIL(n)</code>	Smallest integer $\geq n$	<code>CEIL(4.2) → 5</code>
<code>FLOOR(n)</code>	Largest integer $\leq n$	<code>FLOOR(4.8) → 4</code>
<code>MOD(m, n)</code>	Remainder of m/n	<code>MOD(10, 3) → 1</code>
<code>POWER(m, n)</code>	m raised to n	<code>POWER(2, 3) → 8</code>
<code>ROUND(n [, dec])</code>	Round to dec places	<code>ROUND(123.456, 2) → 123.46</code>
<code>TRUNC(n [, dec])</code>	Truncate to dec places	<code>TRUNC(123.456, 2) → 123.45</code>
<code>SIGN(n)</code>	Sign of n (-1,0,1)	<code>SIGN(-12) → -1</code>
<code>SQRT(n)</code>	Square root	<code>SQRT(16) → 4</code>
<code>EXP(n)</code>	e^n	<code>EXP(1) → 2.71828</code>
<code>LN(n)</code>	Natural log	<code>LN(10)</code>
<code>LOG(b, n)</code>	Log base b of n	<code>LOG(10, 100) → 2</code>
<code>REMAINDER(m, n)</code>	IEEE remainder	<code>REMAINDER(10, 3) → 1</code>

2 Character / String Functions

Function	Description	Example
<code>INITCAP(str)</code>	Capitalize first letter of each word	<code>INITCAP('hello world') → Hello World</code>
<code>LOWER(str)</code>	Convert to lowercase	<code>LOWER('SQL') → sql</code>

UPPER(str)	Convert to uppercase	UPPER('sql') → SQL
LENGTH(str)	String length	LENGTH('Oracle') → 6
INSTR(str, sub [,start [,occurrence]])	Find position	INSTR('DATABASE', 'A') → 2
SUBSTR(str, start [,length])	Extract substring	SUBSTR('DATABASE', 1, 4) → DATA
LPAD(str, len, pad)	Left pad	LPAD('45', 5, '0') → 00045
RPAD(str, len, pad)	Right pad	RPAD('45', 5, '0') → 45000
LTRIM(str [,set])	Trim left chars	LTRIM(' \$\$DATA', '\$') → DATA
RTRIM(str [,set])	Trim right chars	RTRIM('DATA\$\$', '\$') → DATA
TRIM([LEADING TRAILING BOTH] chr FROM str)		
REPLACE(str, search [,replace])	Replace substring	REPLACE('abc', 'a', 'z') → zbc
TRANSLATE(str, from, to)	Translate chars	TRANSLATE('12345', '15', 'AB') → A234B
CONCAT(a,b)	Concatenate strings	CONCAT('Hello', 'World') → HelloWorld

3 Date and Time Functions

Function	Description	Example
SYSDATE	Current date and time	SELECT SYSDATE FROM DUAL;
CURRENT_DATE	Current date (session TZ)	SELECT CURRENT_DATE FROM DUAL;

<code>CURRENT_TIMESTAMP</code>	Timestamp with time zone	<code>SELECT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP FROM DUAL;</code>
<code>ADD_MONTHS(date, n)</code>	Add n months	<code>ADD_MONTHS(SYSDATE, 2)</code>
<code>MONTHS_BETWEEN(d1, d2)</code>	Months difference	<code>MONTHS_BETWEEN(SYSDATE, '2025-01-01')</code>
<code>NEXT_DAY(date, 'DAY')</code>	Next given weekday	<code>NEXT_DAY(SYSDATE, 'MONDAY')</code>
<code>LAST_DAY(date)</code>	Last day of month	<code>LAST_DAY(SYSDATE)</code>
<code>ROUND(date [,fmt])</code>	Round date	<code>ROUND(SYSDATE, 'MONTH')</code>
<code>TRUNC(date [,fmt])</code>	Truncate date	<code>TRUNC(SYSDATE, 'YEAR')</code>
<code>EXTRACT(YEAR</code>	MONTH	<code>DAY FROM date)</code>
<code>TO_CHAR(date, fmt)</code>	Convert date to string	<code>TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'DD-MON-YYYY')</code>
<code>TO_DATE(str, fmt)</code>	Convert string to date	<code>TO_DATE('12-11-2025', 'DD-MM-YYYY')</code>
<code>TO_TIMESTAMP(str, fmt)</code>	Convert to timestamp	<code>TO_TIMESTAMP('2025-11-12 10:00:00', 'YYYY-MM-DD HH24:MI:SS')</code>

4 Conversion Functions

Function	Description	Example
<code>TO_CHAR(expr [,fmt])</code>	Convert to string	<code>TO_CHAR(1234, '\$9,999')</code>
<code>TO_NUMBER(str [,fmt])</code>	Convert to number	<code>TO_NUMBER('1234')</code>
<code>TO_DATE(str [,fmt])</code>	Convert to date	<code>TO_DATE('2025-11-12', 'YYYY-MM-DD')</code>

<code>TO_TIMESTAMP(str [,fmt])</code>	Convert to timestamp	<code>TO_TIMESTAMP('12-NOV-2025 10:00','DD-MON-YYYY HH24:MI')</code>
<code>CAST(expr AS datatype)</code>	Type conversion	<code>CAST('123' AS NUMBER)</code>

5 Aggregate Functions

Function	Description	Example
<code>COUNT(expr)</code>	Number of rows	<code>COUNT(*)</code>
<code>SUM(expr)</code>	Sum of values	<code>SUM(salary)</code>
<code>AVG(expr)</code>	Average value	<code>AVG(salary)</code>
<code>MIN(expr)</code>	Minimum value	<code>MIN(salary)</code>
<code>MAX(expr)</code>	Maximum value	<code>MAX(salary)</code>
<code>STDDEV(expr)</code>	Standard deviation	<code>STDDEV(salary)</code>
<code>VARIANCE(expr)</code>	Variance	<code>VARIANCE(salary)</code>
<code>LISTAGG(expr, delimiter)</code>	Concatenate within group	<code>LISTAGG(name, ',') WITHIN GROUP (ORDER BY name)</code>

6 Conditional / Comparison Functions

Function	Description	Example
<code>NVL(expr1, expr2)</code>	Replace NULL	<code>NVL(comm,0)</code>
<code>NVL2(expr1, expr2, expr3)</code>	If expr1 NOT NULL → expr2 else expr3	<code>NVL2(comm,sal+comm,sal)</code>
<code>NULLIF(expr1, expr2)</code>	Return NULL if equal	<code>NULLIF(sal,0)</code>

<code>COALESCE(expr1, expr2, ...)</code>	First non-NULL value	<code>COALESCE(comm, bonus, 0)</code>
<code>DECODE(expr, val1, res1, ..., default)</code>	Conditional logic	<code>DECODE(deptno, 10, 'Sales', 20, 'IT', 'Other')</code>
<code>CASE WHEN cond THEN val ELSE val END</code>	Conditional branching	<code>CASE WHEN sal > 5000 THEN 'High' ELSE 'Low' END</code>

7 Analytical / Window Functions

Function	Description	Example
<code>ROW_NUMBER()</code>	Row sequence	<code>ROW_NUMBER() OVER (ORDER BY sal DESC)</code>
<code>RANK()</code>	Rank with gaps	<code>RANK() OVER (ORDER BY sal DESC)</code>
<code>DENSE_RANK()</code>	Rank without gaps	<code>DENSE_RANK() OVER (ORDER BY sal DESC)</code>
<code>NTILE(n)</code>	Divide rows into n buckets	<code>NTILE(4) OVER (ORDER BY sal)</code>
<code>LEAD(expr [, offset, default])</code>	Next row value	<code>LEAD(sal, 1, 0) OVER (ORDER BY sal)</code>
<code>LAG(expr [, offset, default])</code>	Previous row value	<code>LAG(sal, 1, 0) OVER (ORDER BY sal)</code>
<code>FIRST_VALUE(expr)</code>	First in window	<code>FIRST_VALUE(sal) OVER (ORDER BY sal)</code>
<code>LAST_VALUE(expr)</code>	Last in window	<code>LAST_VALUE(sal) OVER (ORDER BY sal ROWS BETWEEN UNBOUNDED PRECEDING AND UNBOUNDED FOLLOWING)</code>
<code>SUM(expr) OVER (...)</code>	Running total	<code>SUM(sal) OVER (ORDER BY sal)</code>

<code>AVG(expr) OVER (...)</code>	Moving average	<code>AVG(sal) OVER (PARTITION BY deptno)</code>
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8 Miscellaneous Functions

Function	Description	Example
<code>USER</code>	Current DB user	<code>SELECT USER FROM DUAL;</code>
<code>UID</code>	Current user ID	<code>SELECT UID FROM DUAL;</code>
<code>SYS_CONTEXT(namespace, param)</code>	Session/env info	<code>SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'IP_ADDRESS')</code>
<code>DUMP(expr)</code>	Data type and internal info	<code>DUMP('A')</code>
<code>VSIZE(expr)</code>	Bytes used	<code>VSIZE('Oracle')</code>

9 Dual Table Usage

Oracle provides a dummy table `DUAL` for evaluating functions:

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SELECT SYSDATE, USER, ABS(-5), UPPER('oracle') FROM DUAL;
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