

PL/SQL Access to Oracle XML DB Repository

PL/SQL packages `DBMS_XDB_CONFIG` and `DBMS_XDB_REPOS` together provide the Oracle XML DB resource application program interface (API) for PL/SQL. You use the former to configure Oracle XML DB and its repository. You use the latter to perform other, non-configuration operations on the repository.

**Note:**

The Oracle XML DB Repository is deprecated with Oracle Database 23ai.

- [DBMS_XDB_REPOS: Access and Manage Repository Resources](#)
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- [DBMS_XDB_REPOS: ACL-Based Security Management](#)
PL/SQL package `DBMS_XDB_REPOS` provides Oracle XML DB ACL-based security management functions and procedures.
- [DBMS_XDB_CONFIG: Configuration Management](#)
PL/SQL package `DBMS_XDB_CONFIG` provides Oracle XML DB configuration management functions and procedures.

Related Topics

- [PL/SQL APIs for XMLType: References](#)
The PL/SQL Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) for `XMLType` are described.
- [Package DBMS_XDB_ADMIN](#)
PL/SQL package `DBMS_XDB_ADMIN` has subprograms for managing and configuring Oracle XML DB and Oracle XML DB Repository.

DBMS_XDB_REPOS: Access and Manage Repository Resources

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**See Also:**

Oracle Database PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference

Table 26-1 describes the functions and procedures in package `DBMS_XDB_REPOS`.

Table 26-1 DBMS_XDB_REPOS Resource Access and Management Subprograms

Function/Procedure	Description
<code>addResource</code>	Insert a new file resource into the repository hierarchy, with the given string as its contents.
<code>appendResourceMetadata</code>	Add user-defined metadata to a resource.
<code>createFolder</code>	Create a new folder resource.
<code>createOIDPath</code>	Create a virtual path to a resource, based on its object identifier (OID).
<code>createResource</code>	Create a new file resource.
<code>deleteResource</code>	Delete a resource from the repository.
<code>deleteResourceMetadata</code>	Delete specific user-defined metadata from a resource.
<code>existsResource</code>	Indicate whether or not a resource exists, given its absolute path.
<code>getContentBLOB</code>	Return the contents of a resource as a <code>BLOB</code> instance.
<code>getContentVARCHAR2</code>	Return the contents of a resource as a <code>VARCHAR2</code> value.
<code>getContentXMLRef</code>	Return the contents of a resource as a reference to an <code>XMLType</code> instance.
<code>getContentXMLType</code>	Return the contents of a resource as an <code>XMLType</code> instance.
<code>getLockToken</code>	Return a resource lock token for the current user, given a path to the resource.
<code>getResOID</code>	Return the object identifier (OID) of a resource, given its absolute path.
<code>getResource</code>	Return the instance of class <code>DBMS_XDBRESOURCE.XDBResource</code> that is located at a given path in the repository.
<code>getXDB_tablespace</code>	Return the current tablespace of database schema (user account) <code>XDB</code> .
<code>hasBLOBContent</code>	Return <code>TRUE</code> if a given resource has <code>BLOB</code> content.
<code>hasCharContent</code>	Return <code>TRUE</code> if a given resource has character content.
<code>hasXMLContent</code>	Return <code>TRUE</code> if a given resource has <code>XMLType</code> content.
<code>hasXMLReference</code>	Return <code>TRUE</code> if a given resource has a reference to <code>XMLType</code> content.
<code>isFolder</code>	Return <code>TRUE</code> if a given resource is a folder.
<code>link</code>	Create a link to an existing resource.
<code>lockResource</code>	Obtain a WebDAV-style lock on a resource, given a path to the resource.
<code>processLinks</code>	Process all <code>XLink</code> (<i>deprecated</i>) and <code>XInclude</code> links in a document or folder.
<code>purgeResourceMetadata</code>	Delete all user-defined metadata from a given resource.
<code>refreshContentSize</code>	Recompute the content size of a given resource.
<code>renameResource</code>	Rename a given resource.
<code>touchResource</code>	Change the last-modified time to the current time.
<code>unlockResource</code>	Unlock a resource, given its lock token and path.
<code>updateResourceMetadata</code>	Modify user-defined resource metadata.

Example 26-1 uses package `DBMS_XDB_REPOS` to manage repository resources. It creates the following:

- A folder, `mydocs`, under folder `/public`
- Two file resources, `emp_selby.xml` and `emp_david.xml`

- Two links to the file resources `person_selby.xml` and `person_david.xml`

It then deletes each of the newly created resources and links. The folder contents are deleted before the folder itself.



See Also:

[User-Defined Repository Metadata](#) for examples using `appendResourceMetadata` and `deleteResourceMetadata`

Example 26-1 Managing Resources Using DBMS_XDB_REPOS

```
DECLARE
    retb BOOLEAN;
BEGIN
    retb := DBMS_XDB_REPOS.createfolder('/public/mydocs');
    retb := DBMS_XDB_REPOS.createresource('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml',
                                         '<emp_name>selby</emp_name>');
    retb := DBMS_XDB_REPOS.createresource('/public/mydocs/emp_david.xml',
                                         '<emp_name>david</emp_name>');

END;
/
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

CALL DBMS_XDB_REPOS.link('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml',
                        '/public/mydocs',
                        'person_selby.xml');

Call completed.

CALL DBMS_XDB_REPOS.link('/public/mydocs/emp_david.xml',
                        '/public/mydocs',
                        'person_david.xml');

Call completed.

CALL DBMS_XDB_REPOS.deleteresource('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml');
Call completed.

CALL DBMS_XDB_REPOS.deleteresource('/public/mydocs/person_selby.xml');
Call completed.

CALL DBMS_XDB_REPOS.deleteresource('/public/mydocs/emp_david.xml');
Call completed.

CALL DBMS_XDB_REPOS.deleteresource('/public/mydocs/person_david.xml');
Call completed.

CALL DBMS_XDB_REPOS.deleteresource('/public/mydocs');
Call completed.
```

DBMS_XDB_REPOS: ACL-Based Security Management

PL/SQL package `DBMS_XDB_REPOS` provides Oracle XML DB ACL-based security management functions and procedures.

Table 26-2 DBMS_XDB_REPOS: Security Management Subprograms

Function/Procedure	Description
ACLCheckPrivileges	Check the access privileges granted to the current user by an ACL.
changeOwner	Change the owner of a given resource to a given user.
changePrivileges	Add an ACE to a resource ACL.
checkPrivileges	Check the access privileges granted to the current user for a resource.
getACLDocument	Return the ACL document that protects a resource, given the path name of the resource.
getPrivileges	Return all privileges granted to the current user for a resource.
setACL	Set the ACL for a resource.

**See Also:**

Oracle Database PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference

In [Example 26-2](#), database user HR creates two resources: a folder, /public/mydocs, with a file in it, emp_selby.xml. Procedure getACLDocument is called on the file resource, showing that the <principal> user for the document is PUBLIC.

In [Example 26-3](#), the system manager connects and uses procedure setACL to give the owner (database schema HR) all privileges on the file resource created in [Example 26-2](#). Procedure getACLDocument then shows that the <principal> user is dav:owner, the owner (HR).

In [Example 26-4](#), user HR connects and uses function changePrivileges to add a new access control entry (ACE) to the ACL, which gives all privileges on resource emp_selby.xml to user oe. Procedure getACLDocument shows that the new ACE was added to the ACL.

In [Example 26-5](#), user oe connects and calls DBMS_XDB_REPOS.getPrivileges, which shows all of the privileges granted to user oe on resource emp_selby.xml.

Example 26-2 Using DBMS_XDB_REPOS.GETACLDOCUMENT

```
CONNECT hr
Enter password: password

Connected.

DECLARE
  retb BOOLEAN;
BEGIN
  retb := DBMS_XDB_REPOS.createFolder('/public/mydocs');
  retb := DBMS_XDB_REPOS.createResource('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml',
                                         '<emp_name>selby</emp_name>');
END;
/
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

SELECT XMLSerialize(DOCUMENT
                   DBMS_XDB_REPOS.getACLDocument('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml')
                   AS CLOB)
FROM DUAL;

XMLSERIALIZE(DOCUMENTDBMS_XDB_REPOS.GETACLDOCUMENT('/PUBLIC/MYDOCS/EMP_SELBY.XML
```

```

-----
<acl description="Public:All privileges to PUBLIC" xmlns="http://xmlns.oracle.co
m/xdb/acl.xsd" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaL
ocation="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd" http://xm
lns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd" shared="true">
  <ace>
    <grant>true</grant>
    <principal>PUBLIC</principal>
    <privilege>
      <all/>
    </privilege>
  </ace>
</acl>

```

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Example 26-3 Using DBMS_XDB_REPOS.SETACL

```

CONNECT SYSTEM
Enter password: password

Connected.

-- Give all privileges to owner, HR.
CALL DBMS_XDB_REPOS.setACL('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml',
                           '/sys/acls/all_owner_acl.xml');

Call completed.
COMMIT;
Commit complete.

SELECT XMLSerialize(DOCUMENT
                    DBMS_XDB_REPOS.getACLDocument('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml')
                    AS CLOB)
FROM DUAL;

XMLSERIALIZE(DOCUMENTDBMS_XDB_REPOS.GETACLDOCUMENT('/PUBLIC/MYDOCS/EMP_SELBY.XML
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<acl description="Private:All privileges to OWNER only and not accessible to oth
ers" xmlns="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd" xmlns:dav="DAV:" xmlns:xsi="htt
p://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="http://xmlns.oracle.
com/xdb/acl.xsd http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd" shared="true">
  <ace>
    <grant>true</grant>
    <principal>dav:owner</principal>
    <privilege>
      <all/>
    </privilege>
  </ace>
</acl>

1 row selected.

```

Example 26-4 Using DBMS_XDB_REPOS.CHANGEPRIVILEGES

```

CONNECT hr
Enter password: password

Connected.

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

-- Add an ACE giving privileges to user OE
DECLARE
  r      PLS_INTEGER;
  ace    XMLType;
  ace_data VARCHAR2(2000);
BEGIN
  ace_data := '<ace xmlns="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd"

```

```

        xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
        xsi:schemaLocation="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd
                           http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd
                           DAV:http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/dav.xsd">
        <principal>OE</principal>
        <grant>true</grant>
        <privilege><all/></privilege>
    </ace>;
    ace := XMLType.createXML(ace_data);
    r := DBMS_XDB_REPOS.changePrivileges('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml', ace);
END;
/

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

COMMIT;

SELECT XMLSerialize(DOCUMENT
                    DBMS_XDB_REPOS.getACLDocument('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml')
                    AS CLOB)
FROM DUAL;

XMLSERIALIZE(DOCUMENTDBMS_XDB_REPOS.GETACLDOCUMENT('/PUBLIC/MYDOCS/EMP_SELBY.XML'
-----
<acl description="Private:All privileges to OWNER only and not accessible to oth
ers" xmlns="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd" xmlns:dav="DAV:" xmlns:xsi="htt
p://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="http://xmlns.oracle.
com/xdb/acl.xsd http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd" s
hared="false">
  <ace>
    <grant>true</grant>
    <principal>dav:owner</principal>
    <privilege>
      <all/>
    </privilege>
  </ace>
  <ace>
    <grant>true</grant>
    <principal>OE</principal>
    <privilege>
      <all/>
    </privilege>
  </ace>
</acl>

1 row selected.

```

Example 26-5 Using DBMS_XDB_REPOS.GETPRIVILEGES

```

CONNECT oe
Enter password: password

Connected.

SELECT XMLSerialize(DOCUMENT
                    DBMS_XDB_REPOS.getPrivileges('/public/mydocs/emp_selby.xml')
                    AS CLOB)
FROM DUAL;

XMLSERIALIZE(DOCUMENTDBMS_XDB_REPOS.GETPRIVILEGES('/PUBLIC/MYDOCS/EMP_SELBY.XML'
-----
<privilege xmlns="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.
org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl
.xsd http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd DAV: http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/dav.xs
d" xmlns:xdbacl="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/acl.xsd" xmlns:dav="DAV:">
  <read-properties/>
  <read-contents/>
  <write-config/>
  <link/>

```

```

<unlink/>
<read-acl/>
<write-acl-ref/>
<update-acl/>
<resolve/>
<link-to/>
<unlink-from/>
<dav:lock/>
<dav:unlock/>
<dav:write-properties/>
<dav:write-content/>
<dav:execute/>
<dav:take-ownership/>
<dav:read-current-user-privilege-set/>
</privilege>

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1 row selected.

DBMS_XDB_CONFIG: Configuration Management

PL/SQL package `DBMS_XDB_CONFIG` provides Oracle XML DB configuration management functions and procedures.



Note:

Oracle recommends that you use the subprograms of PL/SQL package `DBMS_XDB_CONFIG` to set or change FTP or HTTP port numbers. Do *not* set ports by directly editing configuration file `xdbconfig.xml`.

Table 26-3 DBMS_XDB_CONFIG: Configuration Management Subprograms

Subprogram	Description
<code>addHTTPExpireMapping</code>	Add a mapping of a URL pattern to an expiration date to table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> . The mapping controls the <code>Expire</code> headers for URLs that match the pattern.
<code>addMIMEMapping</code>	Add a MIME mapping to table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>addSchemaLocMapping</code>	Add a schema-location mapping to table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>addServlet</code>	Add a servlet to table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>addServletMapping</code>	Add a servlet mapping to table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>addServletSecRole</code>	Add a security role reference to a servlet.
<code>addXMLExtension</code>	Add an XML extension to table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>cfg_get</code>	Return the configuration information for the current session.
<code>cfg_refresh</code>	Refresh the session configuration information using the current Oracle XML DB configuration file, <code>xdbconfig.xml</code> .
<code>cfg_update</code>	Update the Oracle XML DB configuration information. This writes the configuration file, <code>xdbconfig.xml</code> .
<code>deleteHTTPExpireMapping</code>	Delete <i>all</i> mappings of a given URL pattern to an expiration date from table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>deleteMIMEMapping</code>	Delete a MIME mapping from table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>deleteSchemaLocMapping</code>	Delete a schema-location mapping from table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .

Table 26-3 (Cont.) DBMS_XDB_CONFIG: Configuration Management Subprograms

Subprogram	Description
<code>deleteServlet</code>	Delete a servlet from table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>deleteServletMapping</code>	Delete a servlet mapping from table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>deleteServletSecRole</code>	Delete a security role reference from a servlet.
<code>deleteXMLExtension</code>	Delete an XML extension from table <code>XDB\$CONFIG</code> .
<code>enableDigestAuthentication</code>	Enable digest authentication.
<code>getFTPPort</code>	Return the current FTP port number.
<code>getHTTPConfigRealm</code>	Return the HTTP configuration realm.
<code>getHTTPPort, getHTTPSPort</code>	Return the current HTTP(S) port number.
<code>getListenerEndPoint</code>	Return the parameters of a listener end point for the HTTP server.
<code>GetRemoteHTTPPort, GetRemoteHTTPSPort</code>	Return the number of the current remote HTTP(S) port.
<code>setFTPPort</code>	Set the Oracle XML DB FTP port to the specified port number.
<code>setHTTPConfigRealm</code>	Set the HTTP configuration realm.
<code>setHTTPPort, setHTTPSPort</code>	Set the Oracle XML DB HTTP(S) port to the specified port number.
<code>setListenerEndPoint</code>	Set the parameters of a listener end point for the HTTP server.
<code>setListenerLocalAccess</code>	Either (a) restrict all listener end points to listen on only the <code>localhost</code> interface or (b) allow all listener end points to listen on both <code>localhost</code> and non- <code>localhost</code> interfaces.
<code>SetRemoteHTTPPort, SetRemoteHTTPSPort</code>	Define the port number of a remote HTTP or HTTPS port, respectively. A remote port number is stored similarly to a non-remote HTTP(S) port, except they it is not specified in the configuration file, <code>xdbconfig.xml</code> file or in the configuration XML schema, <code>xdbconfig.xsd</code> .
<code>usedPort</code>	Return the ports used by other pluggable databases (PDBs) in the same multitenant container database (CDB). The return value is an <code>XMLType</code> instance that lists each PDB by id number and its associated ports by type and number.

**See Also:**

Oracle Database PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference, Chapter "DBMS_XDB_CONFIG"

Example 26-6 uses function `cfg_get` to retrieve the Oracle XML DB configuration file, `xdbconfig.xml`.

Example 26-7 illustrates the use of procedure `cfg_update`. The current configuration is retrieved as an `XMLType` instance and modified. It is then rewritten using `cfg_update`.

Example 26-6 Using DBMS_XDB_CONFIG.CFG_GET

```
CONNECT SYSTEM
Enter password: password

Connected.
```



```
SELECT DBMS_XDB_CONFIG.cfg_get() FROM DUAL;
```

```
DBMS_XDB_CONFIG.CFG_GET()
```

```
-----
<xdbconfig xmlns="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/xdbconfig.xsd" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/xdbconfig.xsd http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/xdbconfig.xsd">
  <sysconfig>
    <acl-max-age>19</acl-max-age>
    <acl-cache-size>32</acl-cache-size>
    <invalid-pathname-chars/>
    <case-sensitive>true</case-sensitive>
    <call-timeout>6000</call-timeout>
    <max-link-queue>65536</max-link-queue>
    <max-session-use>100</max-session-use>
    <persistent-sessions>false</persistent-sessions>
    <default-lock-timeout>3600</default-lock-timeout>
    <xdbcore-logfile-path>/sys/log/xdblog.xml</xdbcore-logfile-path>
    <xdbcore-log-level>0</xdbcore-log-level>
    <resource-view-cache-size>1048576</resource-view-cache-size>
    <protocolconfig>
      <common>
        . . .
      </common>
    <ftpconfig>
      . . .
    </ftpconfig>
    <httpconfig>
      <http-port>0</http-port>
      <http-listener>local_listener</http-listener>
      <http-protocol>tcp</http-protocol>
      <max-http-headers>64</max-http-headers>
      <max-header-size>16384</max-header-size>
      <max-request-body>2000000000</max-request-body>
      <session-timeout>6000</session-timeout>
      <server-name>XDB HTTP Server</server-name>
      <logfile-path>/sys/log/httplog.xml</logfile-path>
      <log-level>0</log-level>
      <servlet-realm>Basic realm="XDB"</servlet-realm>
    </webappconfig>
    . . .
  </webappconfig>
  <authentication>
    . . .
  </authentication>
</protocolconfig>
</sysconfig>
<xdbcore-xobmem-bound>1024</xdbcore-xobmem-bound>
<xdbcore-loadableunit-size>16</xdbcore-loadableunit-size>
<acl-evaluation-method>ace-order</acl-evaluation-method>
</sysconfig>
</xdbconfig>
```

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1 row selected.
```

Example 26-7 Using DBMS_XDB_CONFIG.CFG_UPDATE

```
DECLARE
  configxml SYS.XMLType;
  configxml2 SYS.XMLType;
BEGIN
  -- Get the current configuration
```

```

configxml := DBMS_XDB_CONFIG.cfg_get();

-- Modify the configuration
SELECT XMLQuery(
  'declare default element namespace
   "http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/xdbconfig.xsd"; (: :)'
  copy $i := $p1 modify
    (for $j in $i/xdbconfig/sysconfig/protocolconfig/httpconfig/http-port
     return replace value of node $j with $p2)
  return $i'
  PASSING CONFIGXML AS "p1", '8000' AS "p2" RETURNING CONTENT)
  INTO configxml2 FROM DUAL;

-- Update the configuration to use the modified version
DBMS_XDB_CONFIG.cfg_update(configxml2);
END;
/

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

SELECT DBMS_XDB_CONFIG.cfg_get() FROM DUAL;

DBMS_XDB_CONFIG.CFG_GET()
-----
<xdbconfig xmlns="http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/xdbconfig.xsd" xmlns:xsi="http://w
ww.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="http://xmlns.oracle.com/x
db/xdbconfig.xsd http://xmlns.oracle.com/xdb/xdbconfig.xsd">
  <sysconfig>
    <acl-max-age>15</acl-max-age>
    <acl-cache-size>32</acl-cache-size>
    <invalid-pathname-chars/>
    <case-sensitive>true</case-sensitive>
    <call-timeout>6000</call-timeout>
    <max-link-queue>65536</max-link-queue>
    <max-session-use>100</max-session-use>
    <persistent-sessions>false</persistent-sessions>
    <default-lock-timeout>3600</default-lock-timeout>
    <xdbcore-logfile-path>/sys/log/xdblog.xml</xdbcore-logfile-path>
    <resource-view-cache-size>1048576</resource-view-cache-size>
  <protocolconfig>
    <common>
      . . .
    </common>
    <ftpconfig>
      . . .
    </ftpconfig>
    <httpconfig>
      <http-port>8000</http-port>
      . . .
    </httpconfig>
  </protocolconfig>
  <xdbcore-xobmem-bound>1024</xdbcore-xobmem-bound>
  <xdbcore-loadableunit-size>16</xdbcore-loadableunit-size>
  <acl-evaluation-method>ace-order</acl-evaluation-method>
</xdbconfig>

1 row selected.

```