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Oracle: PL/SQL Programming

Chapter 1

Introduction to PL/SQL



Chapter Objectives

- After completing this lesson, you should be able to understand:
 - PL/SQL and application programming
 - Application models
 - How to locate Oracle resources
 - SQL and PL/SQL tools
 - The databases used in this book
 - SQL SELECT statement and data manipulation syntax



Procedural Languages

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- Programming languages allow actions of the end user to be converted to computer instructions
- Procedural languages allow the inclusion of logic processes
- PL/SQL is a procedural language, SQL is not a procedural language




Application Programming

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- Example application screen



Brewbean's Coffee Shop

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				Subtotal: \$20.80		

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- Processing needed to support the shopping cart check out button
 - Verify quantities are > 0
 - Calculate shipping cost
 - Calculate taxes
 - Check/update product inventory
 - Check shopper profile for credit card information



The PL/SQL Language

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- Proprietary Oracle language
- Tightly integrated with SQL
- Can increase performance by grouping statements into blocks of code
- Portable to any Oracle platform
- Used within many Oracle tools
- Stored program units can increase security



Application Models

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- Three main components
 - User interface or screens
 - Program logic (brains behind the screens)
 - Database
- Most models are based on a two- or three-tier structure



Two-tier Model

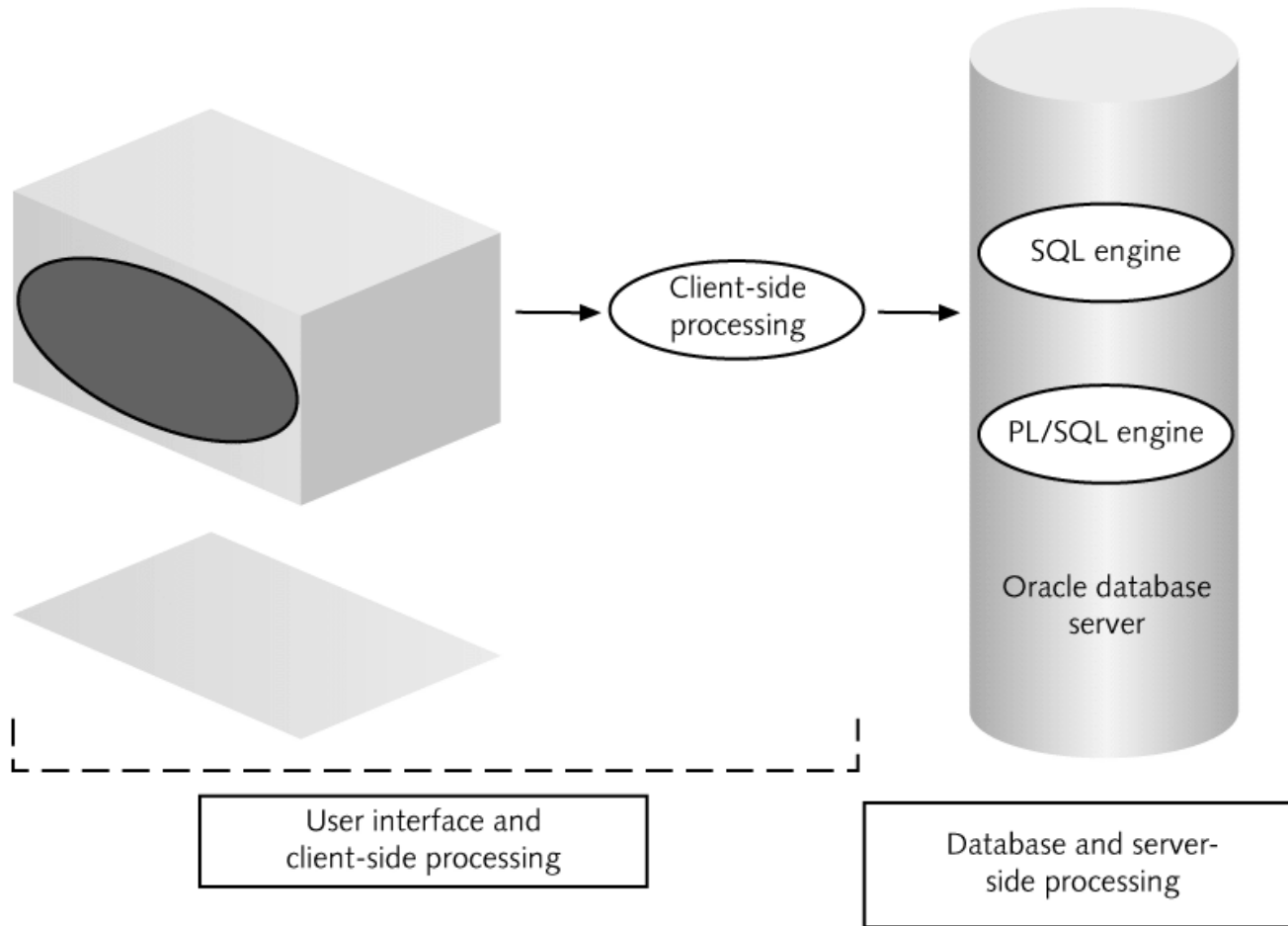
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- Commonly referred to as client/server
- Parts of the processing occur both on the user's computer and the database server
- Named or stored program units are blocks of PL/SQL code saved in the Oracle database to provide server-side processing



Two-tier Diagram

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Three-tier Model

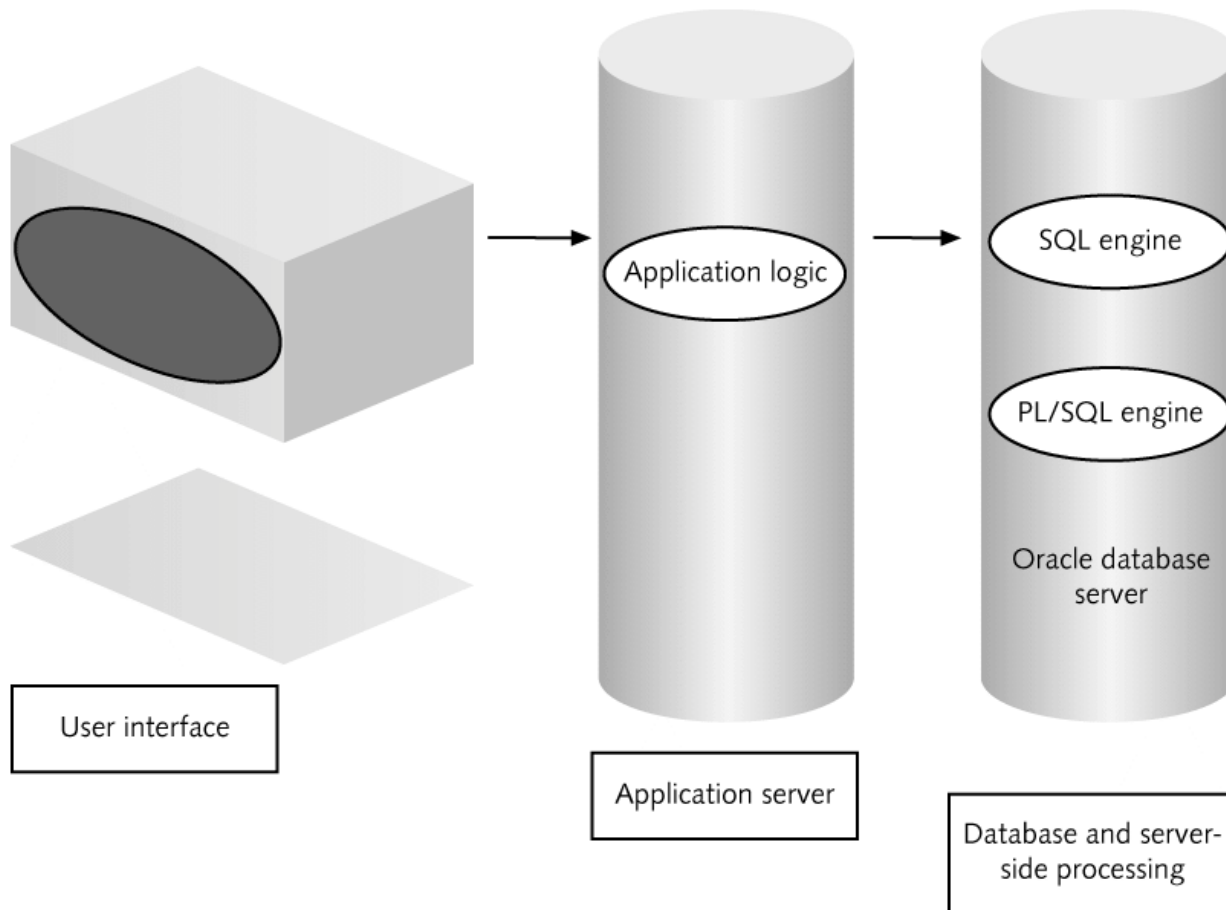
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- Thin client with no code loaded on the user machine (browser access)
- Middle tier is the application server – Forms server for Oracle
- Last tier is the database server
- Processing load is on the middle and last tier
- Maintenance is simplified



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- Oracle Technology Network (OTN): otn.oracle.com
 - Documentation
 - Sample Code
 - Discussion Forums
- User Web sites: PL/SQL Obsession



SQL & PL/SQL Tools

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- SQL*Plus
- SQL Developer
 - Appendix B
- Other software introduced in appendices
 - TOAD
 - SQL Navigator



SQL*Plus Client Interface

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```
SQL> SELECT firstname, lastname
2      FROM bb_shopper;

FIRSTNAME      LASTNAME
-----
John           Carter
Margaret       Somner
Kenny          Ratnan
Camryn         Sonnie
Scott          Savid
Monica         Cast
Pete           Parker

7 rows selected.

SQL>
```



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Run Statement button
(used to run SQL statements)

Run Script button
(used to run PL/SQL statements)

Connection pane

Edit pane (for entering statements)

Output pane

Oracle SQL Developer : XE_plbook

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Connections X

Connections

- XE_plbook
- XE_system

Worksheet Query Builder

```
1 SELECT firstname, lastname
2 FROM bb_shopper;
```

Query Result X

SQL | All Rows Fetched: 7 in 0.047 seconds

	FIRSTNAME	LASTNAME
1	John	Carter
2	Margaret	Somner
3	Kenny	Ratman
4	Camryn	Sonnie
5	Scott	Savid
6	Monica	Cast
7	Pete	Parker

Messages - Log X

XE_plbook | Line 2 Column 18 | Insert | Modified | Windows: CR/LF Editing



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- Brewbean's Company
 - In text examples
 - Assignments
- DoGood Donor
 - Assignments
- More Movie Rentals
 - Case Projects



The Brewbean's Company

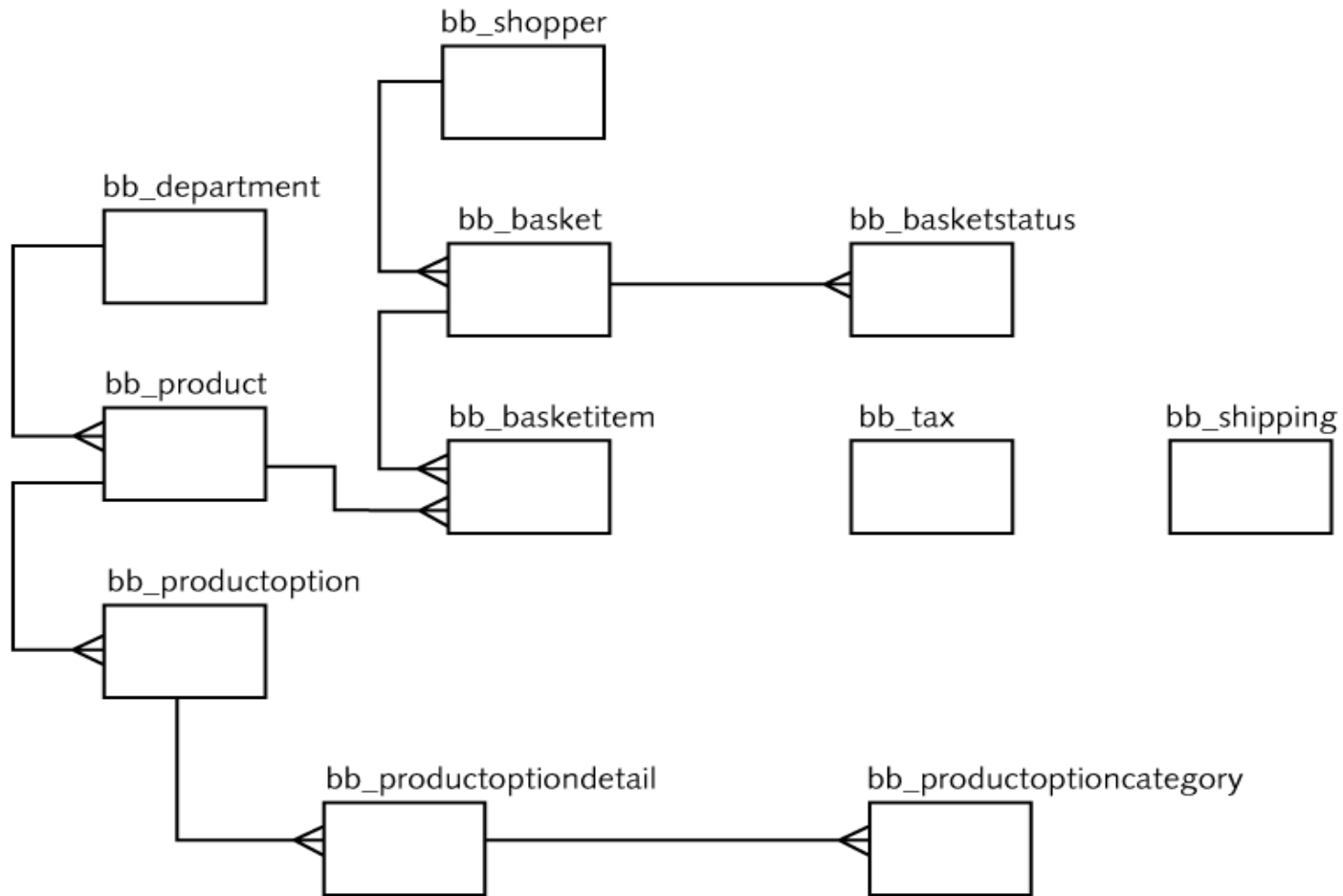
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- Retail coffee and brewing equipment via the Internet, phone, and stores
- Used in chapter explanations, examples, and exercises
- Databases create script provided for each chapter



ERD for Brewbean's DB

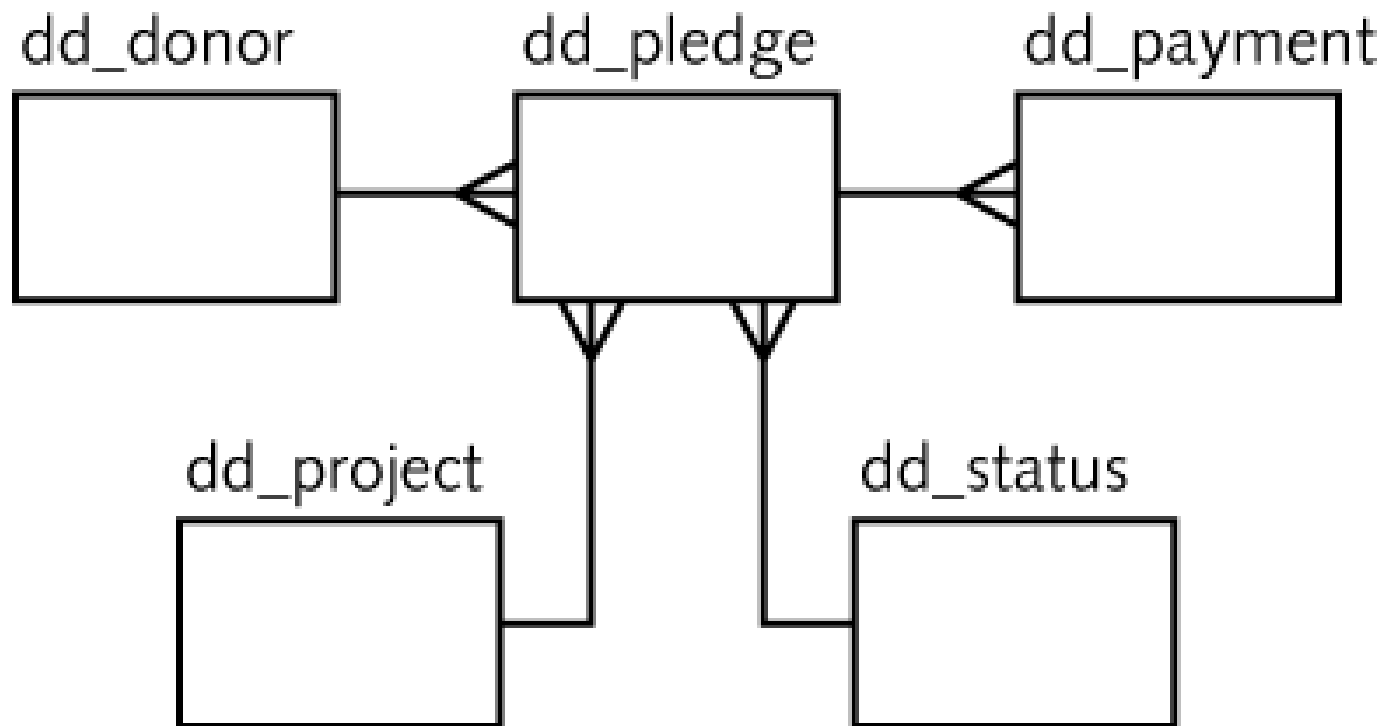
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DoGood Donor ERD

- Track donation, pledges, and payments

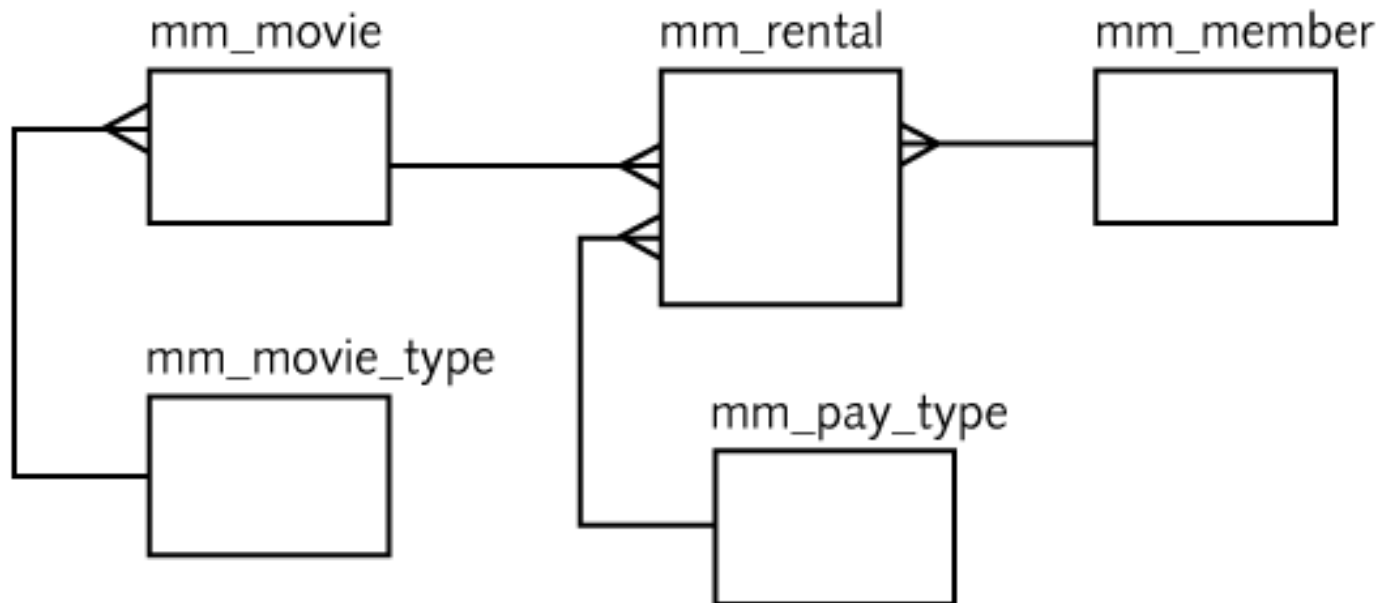




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- Movie rental company used in an ongoing case study





SQL Query Syntax

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```
SELECT <columns>  
  FROM <tables, views>  
 WHERE <conditions>  
 GROUP BY <columns>  
  HAVING <aggregation conditions>  
 ORDER BY <columns>;
```



Traditional Join

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The screenshot shows the XE_plbook SQL editor interface. The top toolbar includes icons for running, saving, and editing. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, displaying the following SQL query:

```
1 SELECT p.productname, p.active, d.deptname
2 FROM bb_product p, bb_department d
3 WHERE p.iddepartment = d.iddepartment;
```

Below the query editor, the 'Query Result' tab shows the results of the query. The status bar indicates 'All Rows Fetched: 10 in 0.046 seconds'. The results are displayed in a table with three columns: PRODUCTNAME, ACTIVE, and DEPTNAME.

	PRODUCTNAME	ACTIVE	DEPTNAME
1	CapressoBar Model #351	1	Equipment and Supplies
2	Capresso Ultima	1	Equipment and Supplies
3	Eileen 4-cup French Press	1	Equipment and Supplies
4	Coffee Grinder	1	Equipment and Supplies
5	Sumatra	1	Coffee
6	Guatamala	1	Coffee
7	Columbia	1	Coffee
8	Brazil	1	Coffee
9	Ethiopia	1	Coffee
10	Espresso	1	Coffee



ANSI Join

The screenshot shows the Oracle XE SQL Developer interface. The top toolbar includes icons for running queries, saving, and other database functions. The 'Worksheet' tab is active, displaying the following SQL query:

```
1 SELECT p.productname, p.active, d.deptname
2 FROM bb_product p INNER JOIN bb_department d
3 USING(iddepartment);
```

Below the query editor, the 'Query Result' tab is active, showing the results of the query. The status bar indicates 'All Rows Fetched: 10 in 0 seconds'. The results are displayed in a table with three columns: PRODUCTNAME, ACTIVE, and DEPTNAME.

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Aggregate function

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The top pane is the 'Query Builder' for a worksheet named 'XE_plbook'. It contains the following SQL query:

```
1 SELECT deptname, COUNT(idproduct)
2   FROM bb_product p INNER JOIN bb_department d
3     USING(iddepartment)
4  GROUP BY deptname;
```

The bottom pane is the 'Query Result' window, which shows the results of the query. It indicates that all rows were fetched in 0.047 seconds. The results are displayed in a table with two columns: 'DEPTNAME' and 'COUNT(IDPRODUCT)'.

	DEPTNAME	COUNT(IDPRODUCT)
1	Coffee	6
2	Equipment and Supplies	4



WHERE clause filter

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The top toolbar includes icons for running, saving, and other database operations. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, displaying the following SQL query:

```
1 SELECT AVG(price)
2 FROM bb_product
3 WHERE type = 'C';
```

Below the query editor, the 'Query Result' tab shows the execution results. It indicates that all rows were fetched in 0.032 seconds. The results are displayed in a table with one column, 'AVG(PRICE)', and one row with the value 10.35.

	AVG(PRICE)
1	10.35



Creating Tables

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer application window. The title bar reads 'XE_plbook'. The interface includes a toolbar with various icons for execution and editing. Below the toolbar, there are tabs for 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. The 'Worksheet' tab is active, displaying a SQL script in a text editor. The script is as follows:

```
1 CREATE TABLE autos
2   (auto_id NUMBER(5),
3     acquire_date DATE,
4     color VARCHAR2(15),
5     CONSTRAINT auto_id_pk PRIMARY KEY (auto_id));
```

Below the script editor, there are tabs for 'Query Result' and 'Script Output'. The 'Script Output' tab is active, showing the message 'table AUTOS created.' and a status bar indicating 'Task completed in 0.031 seconds'.



DML - Insert

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The top toolbar includes icons for running, saving, and other database operations. The main window is titled "XE_plbook" and contains a SQL script in the "Query Builder" tab. The script consists of six lines: two INSERT statements, a COMMIT, and a SELECT statement. Below the script, the "Query Result" tab is active, displaying the output of the execution. The output shows two rows inserted, a commit message, and a table of the inserted data with columns AUTO_ID, ACQUIRE_DATE, and COLOR.

```
1 INSERT INTO autos (auto_id, acquire_date, color)
2   VALUES (45321, '05-MAY-2012', 'gray');
3 INSERT INTO autos (auto_id, acquire_date, color)
4   VALUES (81433, '12-OCT-2012', 'red');
5 COMMIT;
6 SELECT * FROM autos;
```

Query Result x | Script Output x

Task completed in 0.078 seconds

```
1 rows inserted.
1 rows inserted.
committed.
AUTO_ID ACQUIRE_DATE COLOR
-----
45321 05-MAY-12      gray
81433 12-OCT-12       red
```



DML - Update

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook'. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, displaying the following SQL code:

```
1 UPDATE autos
2   SET color = 'silver'
3   WHERE auto_id = 45321;
4 SELECT *
5   FROM autos;
```

Below the code editor, the 'Query Result' tab is active, showing the results of the query. The status bar indicates 'Task completed in 0 seconds'. The results are as follows:

```
1 rows updated.
AUTO_ID ACQUIRE_DATE COLOR
-----
45321 05-MAY-12 silver
81433 12-OCT-12 red
```



DML - Delete

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook'. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, displaying a SQL query in a text editor. The query is as follows:

```
1 DELETE FROM autos
2   WHERE auto_id = 45321;
3 SELECT *
4   FROM autos;
```

Below the query editor, the 'Query Result' tab is active, showing the output of the query. The output indicates that 1 row was deleted. Below this, a table of data is displayed with the columns 'AUTO_ID', 'ACQUIRE_DATE', and 'COLOR'. The data row shows '81433', '12-OCT-12', and 'red'.

Task completed in 0.015 seconds

AUTO_ID	ACQUIRE_DATE	COLOR
81433	12-OCT-12	red



Drop Table

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```
1 DROP TABLE autos;
2 SELECT *
3 FROM autos;
```

table AUTOS dropped.

Error starting at line 2 in command:
SELECT *
FROM autos
Error at Command Line:3 Column:7
Error report:
SQL Error: ORA-00942: table or view does not exist
00942. 00000 - "table or view does not exist"



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- Review SQL statement syntax
- Explore the Brewbean's database



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Chapter 2

Basic PL/SQL Block Structures



Chapter Objectives

- After completing this lesson, you should be able to understand:
 - Programming fundamentals
 - PL/SQL blocks
 - How to define and declare variables
 - How to initialize and manage variable values
 - The NOT NULL and CONSTANT variable options



Chapter Objectives (continued)

- After completing this lesson, you should be able to understand (continued):
 - How to perform calculations with variables
 - The use of SQL single-row functions in PL/SQL statements
 - Decision structures: IF-THEN and CASE
 - Looping actions: basic, FOR and WHILE
 - CONTINUE statements
 - Nested Statements



Program Logic Flow

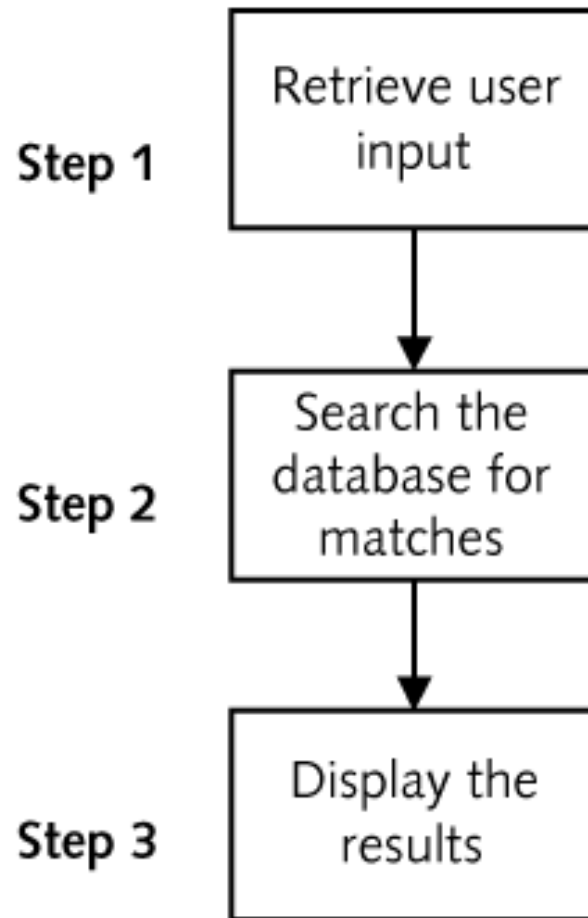
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- Identify sequence of actions needed prior to coding
- Use a flowchart to visually represent the sequence of actions



Flowcharting - Search for Coffee Products

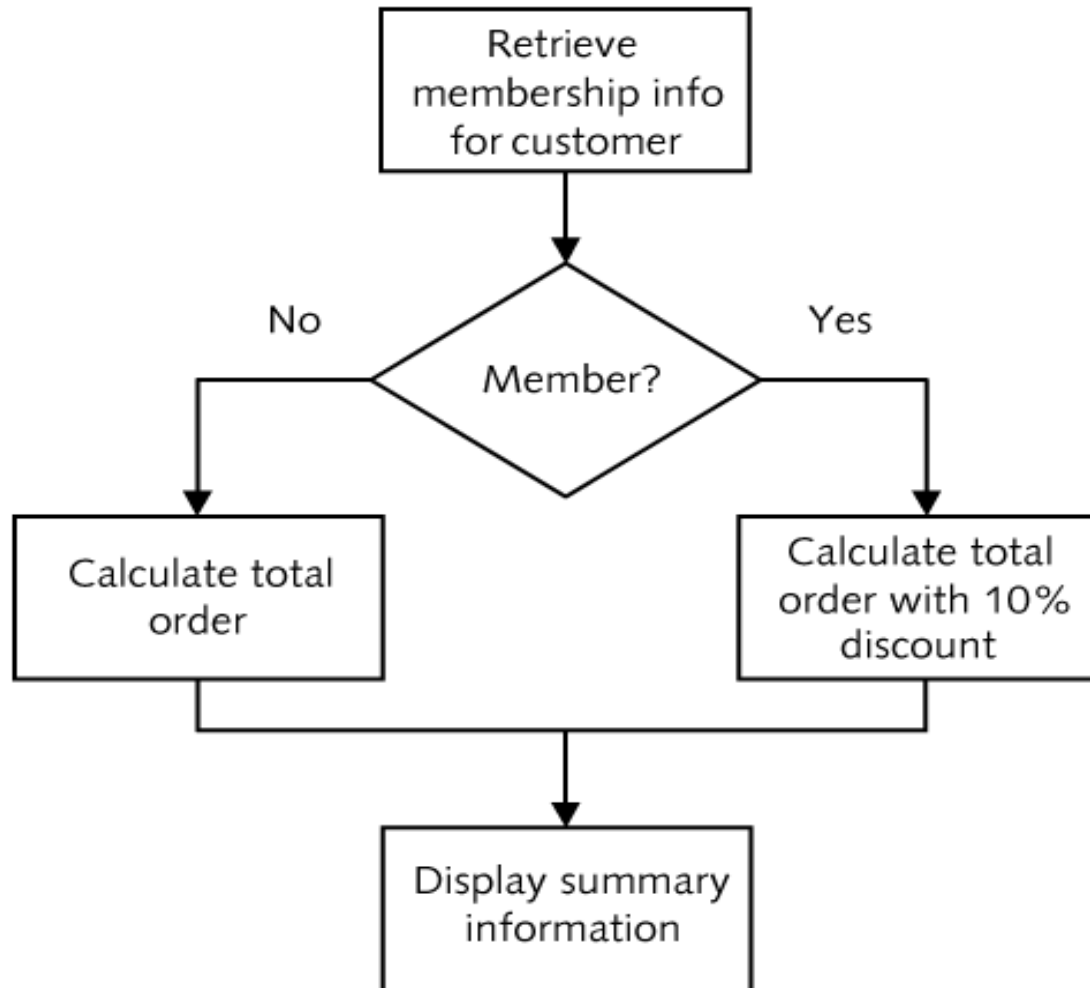
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Decision Structures

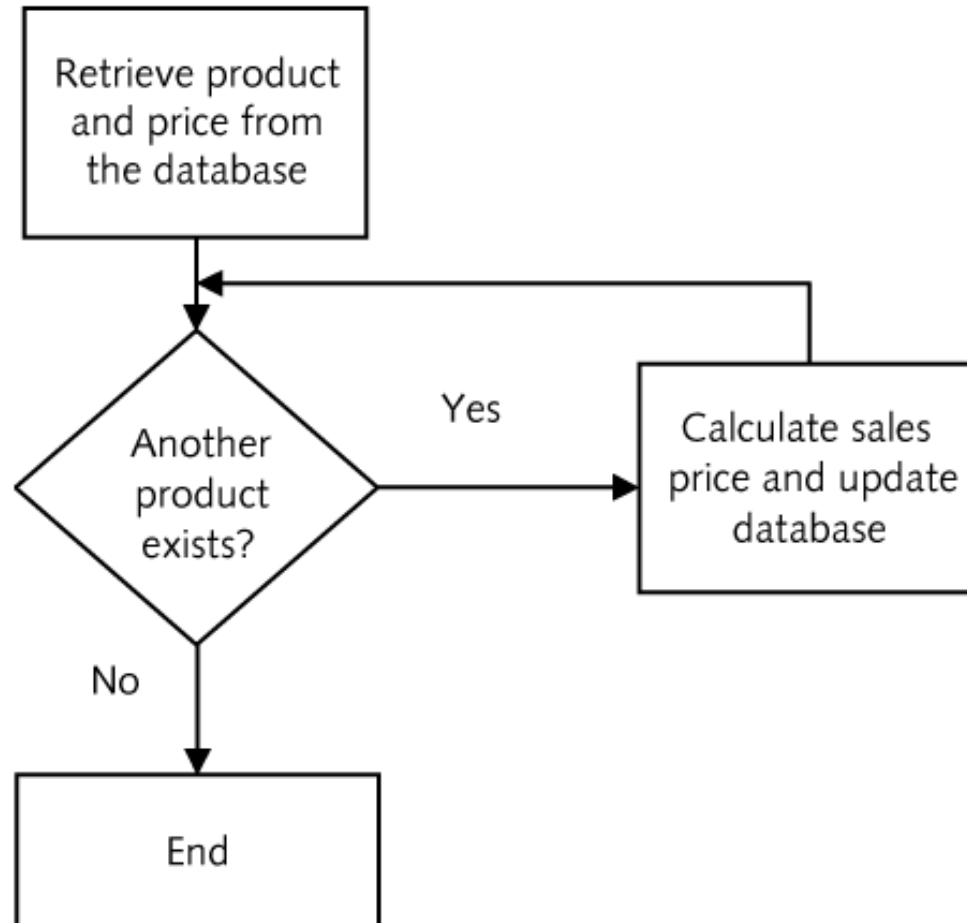
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Looping Structures

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PL/SQL Block Questions


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- What is a block?
- What are the different segments of a block?
- How does data get into a block?
- How are different data types handled?




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9	Ethiopia	1 lb., Whole Bean	<input type="text" value="1"/>	\$10.00	\$10.00	Remove

Subtotal: \$20.80

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PL/SQL Block Structure

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- **DECLARE** – create variables, cursors, and types
- **BEGIN** – SQL, logic, loops, assignment statements
- **EXCEPTION** – error handling
- **END** – close the block



Variable Names

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- Begin with alpha character
- Up to 30 characters
- Can contain upper and lowercase letters, numbers, _ , \$, #



Scalar Variable Data Types

- **Character** – CHAR(n)
VARCHAR2(n)
- **Numeric** – NUMBER(p,s)
- **Date** – DATE
- **Boolean** – BOOLEAN

Note: Only holds a single value



Example Scalar Declarations

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```
DECLARE
    lv_ord_date DATE;
    lv_last_txt VARCHAR2(25);
    lv_qty_num NUMBER(2);
    lv_shipflag_bln BOOLEAN;
BEGIN
    ----- PL/SQL executable statements -----
END;
```

Note: Minimum requirements are variable name and data type



Test Variables

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Run Script button

```
1 DECLARE
2     lv_ord_date DATE;
3     lv_last_txt VARCHAR2(25);
4     lv_qty_num NUMBER(2);
5     lv_shipflag_bln BOOLEAN;
6     lv_bln_txt VARCHAR2(5);
7 BEGIN
8     lv_ord_date := '12-JUL-2012';
9     lv_last_txt := 'Brown';
10    lv_qty_num := 3;
11    lv_shipflag_bln := TRUE;
12    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_ord_date);
13    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_last_txt);
14    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_qty_num);
15    IF lv_shipflag_bln THEN
16        lv_bln_txt := 'OK';
17    END IF;
18    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_bln_txt);
19 END;
```



Variable Initialization

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- Set a variable value when the variable is created

DECLARE

lv_ord_date DATE := SYSDATE;

lv_last_txt VARCHAR2(25) := 'Unknown';

lv_qty_num NUMBER(2) := 0;

lv_shipflag_bln BOOLEAN := 'FALSE';

BEGIN

----- PL/SQL executable statements -----

END;



Test Variable Initialization

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The screenshot displays the Oracle SQL Developer environment. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook' and shows a PL/SQL script in the 'Worksheet' tab. The script is as follows:

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_ord_date DATE := SYSDATE;
3   lv_last_txt VARCHAR2(25) := 'Unknown';
4   lv_qty_num NUMBER(2) := 0;
5   lv_shipflag_bln BOOLEAN := FALSE;
6 BEGIN
7   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_ord_date);
8   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_last_txt);
9   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_qty_num);
10 END;
```

Below the script, the 'Script Output' pane shows the message 'Task completed in 0.015 seconds' and 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' pane shows the output of the script:

```
15-JAN-12
Unknown
0
```



Variable Declaration Options

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- NOT NULL – the variable must always contain a value
- CONSTANT – the variable value can not be changed in the block

```
DECLARE
```

```
    lv_shipcntry_txt VARCHAR2(15) NOT NULL := 'US';
```

```
    lv_taxrate_num CONSTANT NUMBER(2,2) := .06;
```

```
BEGIN
```

```
    ---- PL/SQL executable statements ----
```

```
END;
```




Calculations with Scalar Variables

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multiplication

```
DECLARE
  lv_taxrate_num CONSTANT NUMBER(2,2) := .06;
  lv_total_num NUMBER(6,2) := 50;
  lv_taxamt_num NUMBER(4,2);
BEGIN
  lv_taxamt_num := lv_total_num * lv_taxrate_num;
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_taxamt_num);
END;
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```





Using SQL Functions

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- SQL functions such as MONTHS_BETWEEN can be used within PL/SQL statements

The screenshot shows the Oracle XE plbook interface. The main window displays a PL/SQL script with the following code:

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_first_date DATE := '20-OCT-2012';
3   lv_second_date DATE := '20-SEP-2010';
4   lv_months_num NUMBER(3);
5 BEGIN
6   lv_months_num := MONTHS_BETWEEN(lv_first_date,lv_second_date);
7   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_months_num);
8 END;
```

An arrow points from the text 'SQL functions such as MONTHS_BETWEEN can be used within PL/SQL statements' to the line containing the `MONTHS_BETWEEN` function call in the script.

Below the script editor, the 'Script Output' pane shows the message: 'Task completed in 0.016 seconds' and 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' pane shows the output: '25'. The 'XE_plbook' tab is visible at the bottom.



Decision Structures

- Control which statements in a PL/SQL block will execute
- Enables conditions to be tested to determine the flow of statement execution
- Most programming languages provide IF and CASE statements to enable conditional processing



Decision Structures (continued)

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- IF Statements
 - Simple IF
 - IF/THEN/ELSE
 - IF/THEN/ELSIF/ELSE
- CASE Statements
 - Basic CASE statement
 - Searched CASE statement
 - CASE expression



Basic IF Statement

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The screenshot shows the Oracle XE PL/SQL Developer environment. The main window displays a PL/SQL script with the following code:

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_state_txt CHAR(2) := 'VA';
3   lv_sub_num NUMBER(5,2) := 100;
4   lv_tax_num NUMBER(4,2) := 0;
5 BEGIN
6   IF lv_state_txt = 'VA' THEN
7     lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .06;
8   END IF;
9   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_tax_num);
10 END;
```

Below the script editor, the 'Script Output' pane shows the message 'anonymous block completed' and 'Task completed in 0 seconds'. The 'Dbms Output' pane shows the output '6', which is the result of the calculation 100 * 0.06. The 'XE_plbook' window is also visible at the bottom.



IF/THEN/ELSE

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The main window is titled "XE_plbook" and contains a "Worksheet" tab. The script editor displays the following PL/SQL code:

```
1 DECLARE
2     lv_state_txt CHAR(2) := 'NC';
3     lv_sub_num NUMBER(5,2) := 100;
4     lv_tax_num NUMBER(4,2) := 0;
5 BEGIN
6     IF lv_state_txt = 'VA' THEN
7         lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .06;
8     ELSE
9         lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .04;
10    END IF;
11    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_tax_num);
12 END;
```

Below the script editor, there are two output windows. The "Script Output" window shows the message "anonymous block completed". The "Dbms Output" window shows the value "4".



IF/THEN/ELSIF/ELSE

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The main window is titled "XE_plbook" and contains a "Worksheet" tab. The script being executed is as follows:

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_state_txt CHAR(2) := 'ME';
3   lv_sub_num NUMBER(5,2) := 100;
4   lv_tax_num NUMBER(4,2) := 0;
5 BEGIN
6   IF lv_state_txt = 'VA' THEN
7     lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .06;
8   ELSIF lv_state_txt = 'ME' THEN
9     lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .05;
10  ELSIF lv_state_txt = 'NY' THEN
11    lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .07;
12  ELSE
13    lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .04;
14  END IF;
15  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_tax_num);
16 END;
```

Below the script, the "Script Output" pane shows the message "anonymous block completed" and the execution time "Task completed in 0.016 seconds". The "Dbms Output" pane shows the output "5".



Nested IF

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```
IF lv_type_txt = 'E' THEN
  IF lv_price_num > 85 THEN    <-- Inner or nested IF begins
    lv_disc_num = .20;
  ELSIF lv_price_num > 45 THEN
    lv_disc_num = .15;
  ELSE
    lv_disc_num = .10;
  END IF;                    <-- Inner or nested IF ends
ELSIF lv_type_txt = 'C' THEN
  lv_disc_num = .05;
END IF;
```




Logical Operators within IF

- Logical operators (AND, OR) enable multiple conditions to be checked

```
IF lv_state_txt = 'VA' OR lv_state_txt = 'PA' THEN
    lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .06;
ELSE
    lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .04;
END IF;
```



Basic CASE Statement

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook' and contains a 'Worksheet' tab. The script being edited is as follows:

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_state_txt CHAR(2) := 'ME';
3   lv_sub_num NUMBER(5,2) := 100;
4   lv_tax_num NUMBER(4,2) := 0;
5 BEGIN
6   CASE lv_state_txt
7     WHEN 'VA' THEN lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .06;
8     WHEN 'ME' THEN lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .05;
9     WHEN 'NY' THEN lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .07;
10    ELSE lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .04;
11  END CASE;
12  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_tax_num);
13 END;
```

Below the script editor, there are two output windows. The 'Script Output' window shows the message 'Task completed in 0.016 seconds' and 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' window shows the output of the script, which is the number '5'.



Searched CASE

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook' and contains a 'Worksheet' tab. The script being executed is as follows:

```
1 DECLARE
2     lv_state_txt CHAR(2) := 'VA';
3     lv_zip_txt CHAR(5) := '23321';
4     lv_sub_num NUMBER(5,2) := 100;
5     lv_tax_num NUMBER(4,2) := 0;
6 BEGIN
7     CASE
8         WHEN lv_zip_txt = '23321' THEN
9             lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .02;
10        WHEN lv_state_txt = 'VA' THEN
11            lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .06;
12        ELSE
13            lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .04;
14        END CASE;
15    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_tax_num);
16 END;
```

Below the script, the 'Script Output' window shows the message 'Task completed in 0.016 seconds' and 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' window shows the result '2'. The 'XE_plbook' window is also visible at the bottom.



CASE Expression

PL/SQL

The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The main window is titled "XE_plbook" and contains a "Worksheet" tab. The "Query Builder" tab is also visible. The script being executed is as follows:

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_state_txt CHAR(2) := 'ME';
3   lv_sub_num NUMBER(5,2) := 100;
4   lv_tax_num NUMBER(4,2) := 0;
5 BEGIN
6   lv_tax_num := CASE lv_state_txt
7     WHEN 'VA' THEN lv_sub_num * .06
8     WHEN 'ME' THEN lv_sub_num * .05
9     WHEN 'NY' THEN lv_sub_num * .07
10    ELSE lv_sub_num * .04
11  END;
12   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_tax_num);
13 END;
```

Below the script, the "Script Output" window shows the message "anonymous block completed". The "Dbms Output" window shows the value "5".



Looping

- Enables a statement or set of statements to be executed more than once
- A loop must provide instructions of when to end the looping, or an 'infinite' loop will be produced



Basic LOOP

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface with a window titled 'XE_plbook'. The 'Worksheet' tab is active, displaying a PL/SQL script. The script defines a variable 'lv_cnt_num' of type NUMBER(2) and sets it to 1. It then enters a 'LOOP' block where it prints the value of 'lv_cnt_num' using 'DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE', checks for an exit condition 'lv_cnt_num >= 5', increments the counter by 1, and ends the loop. The script concludes with 'END;'. Below the script editor, the 'Script Output' pane shows the message 'anonymous block completed' after the task was completed in 0 seconds. The 'Dbms Output' pane shows the output of the loop, displaying the numbers 1 through 5 on separate lines. The 'XE_plbook' window title is visible at the bottom.

```
1 DECLARE
2     lv_cnt_num NUMBER(2) := 1;
3 BEGIN
4     LOOP
5         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_cnt_num);
6         EXIT WHEN lv_cnt_num >= 5;
7         lv_cnt_num := lv_cnt_num + 1;
8     END LOOP;
9 END;
```

Script Output x

Task completed in 0 seconds

anonymous block completed

Dbms Output x

Buffer Size: 20000

```
1
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4
5
```

XE_plbook x



WHILE Loop

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The screenshot displays the Oracle SQL Developer environment. The main window, titled 'XE_plbook', contains a 'Worksheet' tab with a PL/SQL script. The script is as follows:

```
1 DECLARE
2     lv_cnt_num NUMBER(2) := 1;
3 BEGIN
4     WHILE lv_cnt_num <= 5 LOOP
5         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_cnt_num);
6         lv_cnt_num := lv_cnt_num + 1;
7     END LOOP;
8 END;
```

Below the script editor, the 'Script Output' pane shows the message 'anonymous block completed' after the script was executed. The 'Dbms Output' pane, which has a 'Buffer Size' of 20000, displays the output of the loop: the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, each on a new line. The top status bar indicates the execution took 0.016 seconds.



FOR Loop

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The screenshot displays the Oracle SQL Developer environment. The main window, titled 'XE_plbook', shows a 'Query Builder' tab with a PL/SQL script. The script is as follows:

```
1 BEGIN
2   FOR i IN 1..5 LOOP
3     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i);
4   END LOOP;
5 END;
```

Below the script editor, the 'Script Output' pane shows the message 'Task completed in 0.031 seconds' and 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' pane, which has a 'Buffer Size' of 20000, shows five empty lines, indicating that the output of the loop has not yet been displayed.



CONTINUE Statement

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The top toolbar includes icons for running, saving, and other database operations. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook' and contains a PL/SQL script. The script is as follows:

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_cnt_num NUMBER(3) := 0;
3 BEGIN
4   FOR i IN 1..25 LOOP
5     CONTINUE WHEN MOD(i,5) <> 0;
6     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Loop i value: ' || i);
7     lv_cnt_num := lv_cnt_num + 1;
8   END LOOP;
9   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Final execution count: ' || lv_cnt_num);
10 END;
```

Below the script editor, the 'Script Output' pane shows the message 'anonymous block completed' and 'Task completed in 0.046 seconds'. The 'Dbms Output' pane shows the output of the script:

```
Loop i value: 5
Loop i value: 10
Loop i value: 15
Loop i value: 20
Loop i value: 25
Final execution count: 5
```



Nested Loops

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The screenshot displays the Oracle SQL Developer environment. The main window, titled 'XE_plbook', shows a PL/SQL script in the 'Query Builder' tab. The script consists of a nested loop structure. Below the script, the 'Script Output' tab shows the message 'anonymous block completed' after a task completed in 0.015 seconds. The 'Dbms Output' tab, with a buffer size of 20000, displays the output of the script, which is a sequence of 'Outer Loop' and 'Inner Loop' messages. The output shows the outer loop executing three times, and the inner loop executing two times for each iteration of the outer loop.

```
1 BEGIN
2   FOR oi IN 1..3 LOOP
3     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Outer Loop');
4     FOR ii IN 1..2 LOOP
5       DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Inner Loop');
6     END LOOP;
7   END LOOP;
8 END;
```

Script Output x
Task completed in 0.015 seconds
anonymous block completed

Dbms Output x
Buffer Size: 20000
Outer Loop
Inner Loop
Inner Loop
Outer Loop
Inner Loop
Inner Loop
Outer Loop
Inner Loop
Inner Loop



Summary

- A flowchart assists in laying out processing logic
- A PL/SQL block contains a DECLARE, BEGIN, EXCEPTION, and END sections
- Variables to hold values are declared
- Scalar variables hold a single data value
- Scalar variables can hold string values, numbers, dates, and Boolean values
- DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE is used to display values



Summary (continued)

- IF statement structure is IF/THEN/ELSIF/ELSE
- CASE statements provide decision processing similar to IF statements
- Looping structures include: basic, WHILE, and FOR
- Host or bind variables can be used to interact with the application environment



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Chapter 3

Handling Data in PL/SQL Blocks



Chapter Objectives

- After completing this lesson, you should be able to understand:
 - SQL queries in PL/SQL
 - The %TYPE attribute
 - Expanding block processing to include queries and control structures
 - Embedding DML statements in PL/SQL




Chapter Objectives (continued)

- After completing this lesson, you should be able to understand (continued):
 - Using record variables
 - Creating collections
 - Bulk processing basics
 - GOTO statement




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- Consider actions needed upon check out



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Item Code	Name	Options	Qty	Price	Total	
7	Columbia	1 lb., Whole Bean	<input type="text" value="1"/>	\$10.80	\$10.80	Remove
9	Ethiopia	1 lb., Whole Bean	<input type="text" value="1"/>	\$10.00	\$10.00	Remove

Subtotal: \$20.80

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Include SQL within a Block


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- Data query needs to identify if the customer has a saved basket





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**You have a saved basket that
has NOT been ordered**

Click on the link below to view additional order details

Basket ID 12	Ordered: 2/19/2012
	# Items: 7
	Subtotal: \$72.40
	Days old: 9



Include SQL within a Block (continued)

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- SQL statements can be embedded into the executable area of a PL/SQL block
- SELECT statements are embedded to query needed data
- An INTO clause is added to a SELECT statement to move data retrieved into variables



Include SQL within a Block (continued)

PL/
SQL

The screenshot displays the Oracle SQL Developer environment. The main window shows a PL/SQL block with the following code:

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_created_date DATE;
3   lv_basket_num NUMBER(3);
4   lv_qty_num NUMBER(3);
5   lv_sub_num NUMBER(5,2);
6   lv_days_num NUMBER(3);
7   lv_shopper_num NUMBER(3) := 25;
8 BEGIN
9   SELECT idBasket, dtcreated, quantity, subtotal
10     INTO lv_basket_num, lv_created_date, lv_qty_num, lv_sub_num
11     FROM bb_basket
12    WHERE idShopper = lv_shopper_num
13       AND orderplaced = 0;
14   lv_days_num := TO_DATE('02/28/12','mm/dd/yy') - lv_created_date;
15   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_basket_num || ' * ' || lv_created_date || ' * ' ||
16                        lv_qty_num || ' * ' || lv_sub_num || ' * ' || lv_days_num);
17 END;
```

Annotations on the screenshot:

- A bracket on the right side of the SQL query (lines 9-12) is labeled "SQL Query – add INTO clause".
- An arrow points from the text "Assignment Statement" to the assignment statement on line 14: `lv_days_num := TO_DATE('02/28/12','mm/dd/yy') - lv_created_date;`.

The bottom of the screenshot shows the "Script Output" window with the message "anonymous block completed" and the "Dbms Output" window showing the output of the `DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE` statement: `12 * 19-FEB-12 * 7 * 72.4 * 9`.



Executing a Block with Errors

- Common Errors
 - Use = rather than :=
 - Not declaring a variable
 - Misspelling a variable name
 - Not ending a statement with ;
 - No data returned from a SELECT statement



Executing a Block with Errors (continued)

- Not closing a statement with ;

```
8 BEGIN
9 SELECT idBasket, dtcreated, quantity, subtotal
10 INTO lv_basket_num, lv_created_date, lv_qty_num, lv_sub_num
11 FROM bb_basket
12 WHERE idShopper = lv_shopper_num
13 AND orderplaced = 0;
14 lv_days_num := TO_DATE('02/28/12','mm/dd/yy') - lv_created_date;
15 DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_basket_num||' * '||lv_created_date||' * '||
16 lv_qty_num||' * '||lv_sub_num||' * '||lv_days_num);
17 END;
```

Script Output x

Task completed in 0.021 seconds

END;
Error report:
ORA-06550: line 15, column 2:
PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS_OUTPUT" when expecting one of the following:

. (* % & = - + ; < / > at in is mod remainder not rem
<an exponent (**)> <> or != or ~= >= <= <> and or like like2
like4 likec between || member submultiset

The symbol "." was substituted for "DBMS_OUTPUT" to continue.
06550. 00000 - "line %s, column %s:\n%s"
*Cause: Usually a PL/SQL compilation error.
*Action:

Dbms Output x

Buffer Size: 20000



%TYPE Attribute

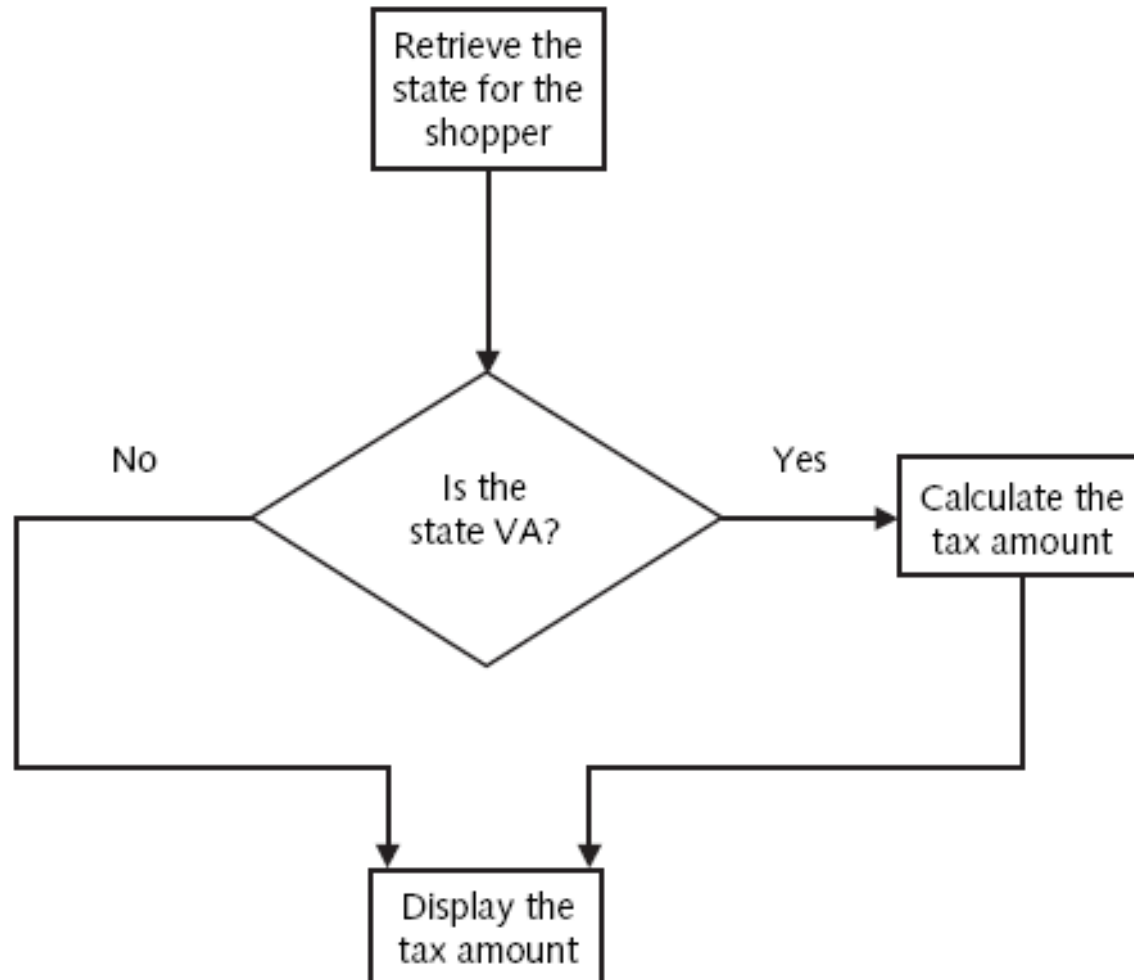
- Use in variable declaration to provide data type based on a table column
- Ideal for declaring variables that will hold data from the database
- Minimizes maintenance by avoiding program changes to reflect database column changes
- Called an anchored data type

```
lv_basket_num bb_basket.idBasket%TYPE;
```



Data Retrieval with Decision Structures

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IF Statement Example

PL/SQL

The screenshot displays the Oracle XE PL/SQL Developer environment. The main window, titled 'XE_plbook', shows a PL/SQL script in the 'Query Builder' tab. The script defines variables for state, subtotal, and tax, then uses an IF-ELSE statement to calculate the tax based on the state. The script is executed, and the results are shown in the 'Script Output' and 'Dbms Output' tabs.

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_state_txt bb_basket.shipstate%TYPE;
3   lv_sub_num bb_basket.subtotal%TYPE;
4   lv_tax_num NUMBER(4,2) := 0;
5 BEGIN
6   SELECT subtotal, shipstate
7     INTO lv_sub_num, lv_state_txt
8     FROM bb_basket
9     WHERE idbasket = 4;
10  IF lv_state_txt = 'VA' THEN
11     lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .06;
12  ELSIF lv_state_txt = 'ME' THEN
13     lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .05;
14  ELSIF lv_state_txt = 'NY' THEN
15     lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .07;
16  ELSE
17     lv_tax_num := lv_sub_num * .04;
18  END IF;
19  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('ST: ' || lv_state_txt || ' Sub: ' || lv_sub_num || ' Tax: ' || lv_tax_num);
20 END;
```

The 'Script Output' tab shows the message: 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' tab shows the output of the PL/SQL block: 'ST: NC Sub: 28.5 Tax: 1.14'.



Including DML

- DML statements can be embedded into PL/SQL blocks to accomplish data changes
- DML includes INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE statements



Including DML (continued)

- Add a new shopper - INSERT

```
1 DECLARE
2     lv_first_txt bb_shopper.firstname%TYPE := 'Jeffrey';
3     lv_last_txt bb_shopper.lastname%TYPE := 'Brand';
4     lv_email_txt bb_shopper.email%TYPE := 'jbrand@site.com';
5 BEGIN
6     INSERT INTO bb_shopper (idshopper, firstname, lastname, email)
7     VALUES (bb_shopper_seq.NEXTVAL, lv_first_txt, lv_last_txt, lv_email_txt);
8     COMMIT;
9 END;
```

Script Output x

Task completed in 0.038 seconds

anonymous block completed

Dbms Output x

Buffer Size: 20000



Record variables

- Stores multiple values of different data types as one unit
- Record – can hold one row of data



Record Data Type

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```
DECLARE
  TYPE type_basket IS RECORD(
    basket bb_basket.idBasket%TYPE,
    created bb_basket.dtcreated%TYPE,
    qty bb_basket.quantity%TYPE,
    sub bb_basket.subtotal%TYPE);
  rec_basket type_basket;
  lv_days_num NUMBER(3);
  lv_shopper_num NUMBER(3) := 25;
BEGIN
  SELECT idBasket, dtcreated, quantity, subtotal
  INTO rec_basket
  FROM bb_basket
  WHERE idShopper = lv_shopper_num
     AND orderplaced = 0;
  lv_days_num := TO_DATE('02/28/12', 'mm/dd/yy') - rec_basket.created;
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(rec_basket.basket || '*' ||
    rec_basket.created || '*' || rec_basket.qty
    || '*' || rec_basket.sub || '*' || lv_days_num);
END;
```

Declare a record data type

Declare a variable with the record data type

Use the record variable to hold retrieved data

Reference a single value from the record variable



%ROWTYPE Attribute

- Create record structure based on table structure

```
DECLARE
```

```
    rec_shopper bb_shopper%ROWTYPE;
```

```
BEGIN
```

```
    SELECT *
```

```
        INTO rec_shopper
```

```
        FROM bb_shopper
```

```
        WHERE idshopper = 25;
```

```
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(rec_shopper.lastname);
```

```
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(rec_shopper.address);
```

```
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(rec_shopper.email);
```

```
END;
```



INSERT Using Record

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The screenshot displays the Oracle XE SQL Developer environment. The main window, titled 'XE_plbook', shows a PL/SQL script in the 'Query Builder' tab. The script is as follows:

```
1 DECLARE
2   rec_dept bb_department%ROWTYPE;
3 BEGIN
4   rec_dept.iddepartment := 4;
5   rec_dept.deptname := 'Teas';
6   rec_dept.deptdesc := 'Premium teas';
7   INSERT INTO bb_department
8     VALUES rec_dept;
9 END;
```

Below the script editor, the 'Script Output' window shows the message 'Task completed in 0.007 seconds' and 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' window is also visible, showing a 'Buffer Size' of 20000. The status bar at the bottom indicates 'XE_plbook'.



Collections

- Store multiple values of the same data type
- Similar to arrays in other languages
- Associative Array– handle many rows of one field

TABLE 3-1 Associative Array Characteristics

Characteristic	Description
One-dimensional	Can have only one column.
Unconstrained	Rows added dynamically as needed.
Sparse	A row exists only when a value is assigned. Rows don't have to be assigned sequentially.
Homogeneous	All elements have the same data type.
Indexed	Integer index serves as the table's primary key.



Associative Array Attributes

TABLE 3-2 PL/SQL Associative Array Attributes

Attribute Name	Description
COUNT	Number of rows in the table
DELETE	Removes a row from the table
EXISTS	TRUE if the specified row does exist
FIRST and LAST	Smallest and largest index value in the table
PRIOR and NEXT	Index for the previous and next row in the table, compared with the specified row



Associative Array Example

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```
DECLARE
  TYPE type_roast IS TABLE OF NUMBER
  INDEX BY BINARY_INTEGER;
  tbl_roast type_roast;
  lv_tot_num NUMBER := 0;
  lv_cnt_num NUMBER := 0;
  lv_avg_num NUMBER;
  lv_samp1_num NUMBER(5,2) := 6.22;
  lv_samp2_num NUMBER(5,2) := 6.13;
  lv_samp3_num NUMBER(5,2) := 6.27;
  lv_samp4_num NUMBER(5,2) := 6.16;
  lv_samp5_num NUMBER(5,2);
```

Associative array data
type declaration

Associative array variable
declaration

Declaring
initialized variables



Example (continued)

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```
BEGIN
    tbl_roast(1) := lv_samp1_num;
    tbl_roast(2) := lv_samp2_num;
    tbl_roast(3) := lv_samp3_num;
    tbl_roast(4) := lv_samp4_num;
    tbl_roast(5) := lv_samp5_num;
    FOR i IN 1..tbl_roast.COUNT LOOP
        IF tbl_roast(i) IS NOT NULL THEN
            lv_tot_num := lv_tot_num + tbl_roast(i);
            lv_cnt_num := lv_cnt_num + 1;
        END IF;
    END LOOP;
    lv_avg_num := lv_tot_num / lv_cnt_num;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_tot_num);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_cnt_num);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(tbl_roast.COUNT);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_avg_num);
END;
```

Put initialized variable values
in the table variable.

A FOR loop adds all the
sample measurements that
have been entered in the
table variable.

lv_avg_num calculates
the average measurement.




Table of Records


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- Contains one or more records
- Handle shopping basket data



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Price per Lb.: **\$10.50**

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Sumatra

Spicy and intense
with herbal aroma

Quantity

Form

Size



Table of Records

PL/SQL

```
DECLARE
```

```
  TYPE type_basketitems IS TABLE OF bb_basketitem%ROWTYPE
```

Table of records
data type declaration

```
  INDEX BY BINARY_INTEGER;
```

```
  tbl_items type_basketitems;
```

```
  lv_ind_num NUMBER(3) := 1;
```

```
  lv_id_num bb_basketitem.idproduct%TYPE := 7;
```

```
  lv_price_num basketitem.price%TYPE := 10.80;
```

```
  lv_qty_num basketitem.quantity%TYPE := 2;
```

```
  lv_opt1_num basketitem.option1%TYPE := 2;
```

```
  lv_opt2_num basketitem.option2%TYPE := 3;
```

Table of records
variable declaration

Adding application
data to the table of
records variable

```
BEGIN
```

```
  tbl_items(lv_ind_num).idproduct := lv_id_num;
```

```
  tbl_items(lv_ind_num).price := lv_price_num;
```

```
  tbl_items(lv_ind_num).quantity := lv_qty_num;
```

```
  tbl_items(lv_ind_num).option1 := lv_opt1_num;
```

```
  tbl_items(lv_ind_num).option2 := lv_opt2_num;
```

Increment the row
number.

```
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(lv_ind_num);
```

```
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(tbl_items(lv_ind_num).idproduct);
```

```
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(tbl_items(lv_ind_num).price);
```

Display values to
determine whether
code is processing
correctly.

```
END;
```



Bulk Processing

- Improve performance & add capabilities
- Reduces context switching
- Groups SQL actions for processing
- BULK COLLECT and FORALL statements
- More examples in Chapter 4



Bulk Processing

- Enables loading multi-row query directly to table of record variable

The screenshot shows the Oracle XE SQL Developer interface. The title bar indicates the file is 'XE_plbook'. The toolbar includes icons for running, saving, and other database operations, along with a timer showing '0.01 seconds'. The 'Query Builder' tab is active, displaying a PL/SQL script. The script defines a record type 'type_product' based on the 'bb_product' table, declares a table variable 'tbl_prod' of this type, and then uses a 'BULK COLLECT INTO' statement to load data from 'bb_product' where 'type = 'E''. A loop then iterates over the loaded data, outputting each product name.

```
1 DECLARE
2     TYPE type_product IS TABLE OF bb_product%ROWTYPE
3         INDEX BY PLS_INTEGER;
4     tbl_prod type_product;
5 BEGIN
6     SELECT * BULK COLLECT INTO tbl_prod
7     FROM bb_product
8     WHERE type = 'E';
9     FOR i IN 1..tbl_prod.COUNT LOOP
10         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(tbl_prod(i).productname);
11     END LOOP;
12 END;
```



GOTO Statement

- Jumping control that instructs the program to move to another area of code to continue processing
- Most developers discourage the use of GOTO as it complicates the flow of execution



Summary

- SQL queries and DML statements can be embedded into a block
- An INTO clause must be added to a SELECT
- The %TYPE attribute is used to use a column data type
- Composite data types can hold multiple values in a single variable
- A record can hold a row of data
- A table of records can hold multiple rows of data



Summary (continued)

- The %ROWTYPE attribute can be used to declare a data type based on a table's structure
- An associative array is a collection of same type data
- Bulk processing groups SQL statements for processing to improve performance
- The GOTO statement enables execution to jump to specific portions of code



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Chapter 4

Cursors and Exception Handling



Chapter Objectives


- After completing this lesson, you should be able to understand:
 - Manipulating data with cursors
 - Using bulk-processing features
 - Managing errors with exception handlers
 - Addressing exception-handling issues, such as `RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR` and propagation
 - Documenting code with comments




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PL/
SQL


- Processing multiple data rows



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Item Code	Name	Options	Qty	Price	Total	
7	Columbia	1 lb., Whole Bean	<input type="text" value="1"/>	\$10.80	\$10.80	Remove
9	Ethiopia	1 lb., Whole Bean	<input type="text" value="1"/>	\$10.00	\$10.00	Remove

Subtotal: \$20.80

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Cursors

- Work area in which SQL statement is processed
- Implicit cursor – declared automatically for DML and SELECT statements
- Explicit cursor – declared and managed programmatically to handle a set of rows returned by a SELECT statement
- Cursor variable – reference or pointer to a work area or cursor



Cursor Attributes

Attribute Name	Data type	Description
%ROWCOUNT	Number	Number of rows affected by the SQL statement
%FOUND	Boolean	TRUE if at least one row is affected by the SQL statement, otherwise FALSE
%NOTFOUND	Boolean	TRUE if no rows are affected by the SQL statement, otherwise FALSE



Implicit Cursor

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The screenshot displays the Oracle SQL Developer environment. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook' and shows a PL/SQL script in the 'Worksheet' tab. The script is as follows:

```
1 BEGIN
2   UPDATE bb_product
3     SET stock = stock + 25
4     WHERE idProduct = 15;
5   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(SQL%ROWCOUNT);
6   IF SQL%NOTFOUND THEN
7     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Not Found');
8   END IF;
9 END;
```

Below the script, the 'Script Output' tab shows the execution results. It indicates that the task was completed in 0.031 seconds and that the 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' tab shows the output of the script, which is '0' followed by 'Not Found' on the next line.



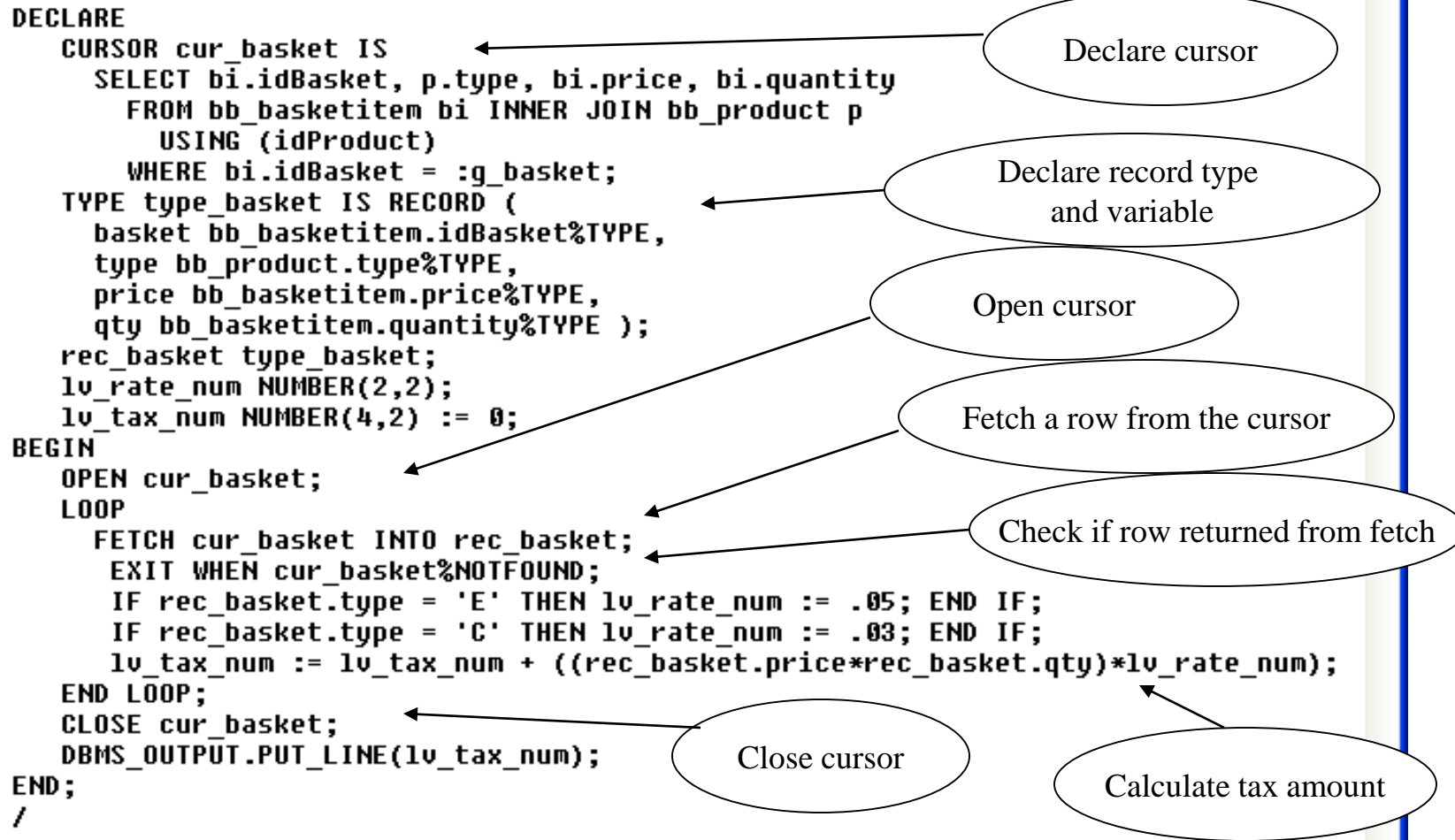
Explicit Cursor

Step	Step Activity	Activity Description
1	DECLARE	Creates a named cursor identified by a SELECT statement. The SELECT statement does not include an INTO clause. Values in the cursor are moved to PL/SQL variables with the FETCH step.
2	OPEN	Processes the query and creates the active set of rows available in the cursor.
3	FETCH	Retrieves a row from the cursor into block variables. Each consecutive FETCH issued will retrieve the next row in the cursor until all rows have been retrieved.
4	CLOSE	Clears the active set of rows and frees the memory area used for the cursor.



Explicit Cursor Example

PL/SQL





Cursor FOR Loop

- Handles tasks automatically for processing each row returned by a cursor (record declaration, fetch, ending loop)
- Use FOR UPDATE and WHERE CURRENT OF clauses for record locking



Cursor FOR Loop Example

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```
DECLARE
  CURSOR cur_prod IS
    SELECT type, price
      FROM bb_product
     WHERE active = 1
    FOR UPDATE NOWAIT;
  lv_sale bb_product.saleprice%TYPE;
BEGIN
  FOR rec_prod IN cur_prod LOOP
    IF rec_prod.type = 'C' THEN lv_sale := rec_prod.price * .9;
    ELSIF rec_prod.type = 'E' THEN lv_sale := rec_prod.price * .95;
    END IF;
    UPDATE bb_product
      SET saleprice = lv_sale
      WHERE CURRENT OF cur_prod;
  END LOOP;
COMMIT;
END;
```



Cursors with Parameters

- Use parameters to make dynamic
- Parameters are values passed to the cursor when it is opened
- Enables the cursor to retrieve different data based on the input values



Cursors with Parameters

```
DECLARE
    CURSOR cur_order (p_basket NUMBER) IS
        SELECT idBasket, idProduct, price, quantity
        FROM bb_basketitem
        WHERE idBasket = p_basket;
    lv_bask1_num bb_basket.idbasket%TYPE := 6;
    lv_bask2_num bb_basket.idbasket%TYPE := 10;
BEGIN
    FOR rec_order IN cur_order(lv_bask1_num) LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(rec_order.idBasket || ' - ' ||
                               rec_order.idProduct || ' - ' || rec_order.price);
    END LOOP;
    FOR rec_order IN cur_order(lv_bask2_num) LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(rec_order.idBasket || ' - ' ||
                               rec_order.idProduct || ' - ' || rec_order.price);
    END LOOP;
END;
```



Cursor Variable

- More efficiently handles data returned by query by returning a pointer to the work area rather than the actual result set
- The same cursor variable can be used for different query statements



Cursor Variable Example

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```
DECLARE
    cv_prod SYS_REFCURSOR;
    rec_item bb_basketitem%ROWTYPE;
    rec_status bb_basketstatus%ROWTYPE;
    lv_input1_num NUMBER(2) := 2;
    lv_input2_num NUMBER(2) := 3;
BEGIN
    IF lv_input1_num = 1 THEN
        OPEN cv_prod FOR SELECT * FROM bb_basketitem
            WHERE idBasket = lv_input2_num;
        LOOP
            FETCH cv_prod INTO rec_item;
            EXIT WHEN cv_prod%NOTFOUND;
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(rec_item.idProduct);
        END LOOP;
    END IF;
END;
```



Example (continued)

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```
ELSIF lv_input1_num = 2 THEN
    OPEN cv_prod FOR SELECT * FROM bb_basketstatus
                        WHERE idBasket = lv_input2_num;

    LOOP
        FETCH cv_prod INTO rec_status;
        EXIT WHEN cv_prod%NOTFOUND;
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(rec_status.idStage || ' - '
                               || rec_status.dtstage);
    END LOOP;
END IF;
END;
```




Bulk-processing

- Improve performance of multirow queries and DML statements
- Processes groups of rows without context switching between the SQL and PL/SQL processing engine
- Use in FETCH with LIMIT clause
- FORALL option with DML activity



Bulk-processing (Query)

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```
DECLARE
    CURSOR cur_item IS
        SELECT *
        FROM bb_basketitem;
    TYPE type_item IS TABLE OF cur_item%ROWTYPE
        INDEX BY PLS_INTEGER;
    tbl_item type_item;
BEGIN
    OPEN cur_item;
    LOOP
        FETCH cur_item BULK COLLECT INTO tbl_item LIMIT 1000;
        FOR i IN 1..tbl_item.COUNT LOOP
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(tbl_item(i).idBasketitem || ' - '
                                || tbl_item(i).idProduct);
        END LOOP;
        EXIT WHEN cur_item%NOTFOUND;
    END LOOP;
    CLOSE cur_item;
END;
```



Bulk-processing (DML)

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```
DECLARE
    TYPE emp_type IS TABLE OF NUMBER INDEX
        BY BINARY_INTEGER;
    emp_tbl emp_type;
BEGIN
    SELECT empID
        BULK COLLECT INTO emp_tbl
    FROM employees
        WHERE classtype = '100';
    FORALL i IN d_emp_tbl.FIRST .. emp_tbl.LAST
        UPDATE employees
            SET raise = salary * .06
            WHERE empID = emp_tbl(i);
    COMMIT;
END;
```



Exception Handlers

- Used to capture error conditions and handle the processing to allow the application to continue
- Placed in the EXCEPTION section of a PL/SQL block
- Two types of errors
 1. Oracle errors (Predefined and Non-Predefined)
 2. User-defined errors
- `RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR`



Predefined Oracle Errors

Exception Name	Description
NO_DATA_FOUND	A SELECT statement in a PL/SQL block retrieves no rows or a nonexistent row of an index-by table is referenced
TOO_MANY_ROWS	A SELECT statement in a PL/SQL block retrieves more than one row
CASE_NOT_FOUND	No WHEN clause in the CASE statement is processed
ZERO_DIVIDE	Attempted division by zero
DUP_VAL_ON_INDEX	Attempted violation of a unique or primary key column constraint



Predefined Error Example

PL / SQL

The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook' and contains a 'Query Builder' tab. The script being executed is as follows:

```
22 EXCEPTION
23 WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN
24     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('You have no saved baskets!');
25 WHEN TOO_MANY_ROWS THEN
26     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('A problem has occurred in retrieving your saved basket. ');
27     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Tech Support will be notified and contact you via email. ');
28 END;
```

Below the script editor, there are two output windows. The 'Script Output' window shows the message 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' window shows the message 'You have no saved baskets!'. A red arrow points from the first line of the exception handler in the script to the output in the 'Dbms Output' window. Another red arrow points from the text 'Exception handler specifies displaying this string' to the first line of the exception handler in the script.



Undefined Error

PL/
SQL

- Identify possible errors for statements in a block

The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. At the top, there are two tabs: 'Worksheet' and 'Query Builder'. Below the tabs, a SQL statement is entered in a text area:

```
1 DELETE FROM bb_basket
2 WHERE idBasket = 4;
```

Below the SQL statement, there is a 'Script Output' window. It contains the following text:

Task completed in 0.047 seconds

Error starting at line 1 in command:
DELETE FROM bb_basket
WHERE idBasket = 4

Error report:
SQL Error: ORA-02292: integrity constraint (PLBOOK.BSKTITEM_BSKTID_FK) violated - child record found
02292. 00000 - "integrity constraint (%s.%s) violated - child record found"
*Cause: attempted to delete a parent key value that had a foreign
dependency.
*Action: delete dependencies first then parent or disable constraint.

An arrow points from the 'Error report:' section to the 'Error starting at line 1 in command:' section.



Handler Added

PL/SQL

```
1 DECLARE
2   ex_basket_fk EXCEPTION;
3   PRAGMA EXCEPTION_INIT(ex_basket_fk, -2292);
4 BEGIN
5   DELETE FROM bb_basket
6   WHERE idBasket = 4;
7 EXCEPTION
8   WHEN ex_basket_fk THEN
9     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Items still in the basket!');
10 END;
```

Script Output x

Task completed in 0.125 seconds

anonymous block completed

Dbms Output x

Buffer Size: 20000

Items still in the basket!

XE_plbook x

Declare an exception name

Associate an Oracle error number with the exception name

Foreign key error occurs because of existing rows in the BB_BASKETITEM table

Exception handler runs if the DELETE statement raises foreign key error -2292



User-Defined Exception

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- No system error is raised
- Raise errors to enforce business rules
- Once error is raised, the remaining statements in the executable sections are not executed
- Processing moves to the exception area of the block



User-Defined Exception Example

PL/SQL

```
1 DECLARE
2   ex_prod_update EXCEPTION;
3 BEGIN
4   UPDATE bb_product
5     SET description = 'Mill grinder with 5 grind settings!'
6     WHERE idProduct = 30;
7   IF SQL%NOTFOUND THEN
8     RAISE ex_prod_update;
9   END IF;
10 EXCEPTION
11   WHEN ex_prod_update THEN
12     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid product ID entered');
13 END;
```

Script Output x

Task completed in 0.046 seconds

anonymous block completed

Dbms Output x

Buffer Size: 20000

Invalid product ID entered

XE_plbook x

Declare an exception name

If no rows are updated, raise the exception

Establish an exception handler



User-Defined Exception Example

PL/
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```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_ordqty_num NUMBER(2) := 20;
3   lv_stock_num  bb_product.stock%TYPE;
4   ex_prod_stk EXCEPTION;
5 BEGIN
6   SELECT stock
7   INTO lv_stock_num
8   FROM bb_product
9   WHERE idProduct = 2;
10  IF lv_ordqty_num > lv_stock_num THEN
11    RAISE ex_prod_stk;
12  END IF;
13 EXCEPTION
14  WHEN ex_prod_stk THEN
15    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Requested quantity beyond stock level');
16    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Req qty = ' || lv_ordqty_num ||
17                          'Stock qty = ' || lv_stock_num);
18 END;
```

The screenshot shows the XE_plbook SQL editor interface. The main window displays the PL/SQL script. Annotations with arrows point to specific lines: line 4 is labeled 'Declare an exception name', line 10 is labeled 'If the quantity requested is greater than the quantity in stock, raise the exception', and line 14 is labeled 'Establish an exception handler'. Below the script, the 'Script Output' pane shows 'Task completed in 0 seconds' and 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' pane shows the output: 'Requested quantity beyond stock level' and 'Req qty = 20Stock qty = 15'.

Declare an
exception name

If the quantity
requested is greater
than the quantity
in stock, raise
the exception

Establish an
exception handler



Additional Exception Concepts

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- WHEN OTHERS – traps all errors not specifically addressed by an exception handler and used for handling unanticipated errors
- SQLCODE and SQLERRM – functions used to identify the error code and message, especially in application, testing to identify unanticipated errors



Example

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The screenshot displays the Oracle XE PL/SQL Developer environment. The main window, titled 'XE_plbook', shows a PL/SQL script in the 'Query Builder' tab. The script is an anonymous block with an exception handler. Two arrows point to specific lines in the script: one to line 25 ('WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN') and another to line 28 ('lv_errmsg_txt := SUBSTR(SQLERRM,1,80);'). Below the script, the 'Script Output' window shows the message 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' window, with a buffer size of 20000, displays the output of the script: 'A problem has occurred' and 'Tech support will be notified and contact you'.

```
24 EXCEPTION
25 WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN
26     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('You have no saved baskets!');
27 WHEN OTHERS THEN
28     lv_errmsg_txt := SUBSTR(SQLERRM,1,80);
29     lv_errnum_txt := SQLCODE;
30     INSERT INTO bb_trans_log (shopper, appaction, errcode, errmsg)
31     VALUES (lv_shopper_num, 'Get saved basket', lv_errnum_txt, lv_errmsg_txt);
32     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('A problem has occurred');
33     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Tech support will be notified and contact you');
34 END;
```

Script Output x

Task completed in 0.016 seconds

anonymous block completed

Dbms Output x

Buffer Size: 20000

A problem has occurred
Tech support will be notified and contact you

XE_plbook x



Exception Propagation

- Exception handling in nested blocks
- Exception raised in a block will first look for handler in the exception section of that block, if no handler found, execution will move to the exception section of the enclosing block
- Error in DECLARE section propagates directly to exception section of the enclosing block
- Error in exception handler propagates to exception section of the enclosing block



Exception Propagation

PL/SQL

The screenshot displays the Oracle XE SQL Developer environment. The main window, titled 'XE_plbook', shows a PL/SQL script in the 'Worksheet' tab. The script is as follows:

```
13  EXCEPTION
14      WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN
15          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('No data error in nested block');
16  END;
17  lv_junk_num := 3;
18  EXCEPTION
19      WHEN OTHERS THEN
20          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Error Code = '||SQLCODE);
21          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Error Message = '||SQLERRM);
22  END;
```

Two horizontal arrows point from the right margin to the 'EXCEPTION' keywords on lines 13 and 18, highlighting the nested exception blocks. Below the code editor, the 'Script Output' tab shows the message 'anonymous block completed'. The 'Dbms Output' tab shows the error details:

```
Error Code = -1422
Error Message = ORA-01422: exact fetch returns more than requested number of rows
```

The bottom of the window shows the 'XE_plbook' tab.



Commenting Code

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- Add comments within code to identify code purpose and processing steps
- Use `/* */` to enclose a multiline comment
- Use `--` to add a single or partial line comment



Comment Examples

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```
DECLARE
    ex_prod_update EXCEPTION;  --For UPDATE of no rows
                                exception
BEGIN
    /* This block is used to update product descriptions
       Constructed to support the Prod_desc.frm app screen
       Exception raised if no rows updated */
    UPDATE bb_product
        SET description = 'Mill grinder with 5 grind settings!'
        WHERE idProduct = 30;
    --Check if any rows updated
    IF SQL%NOTFOUND THEN
        RAISE ex_prod_update;
    END IF;
EXCEPTION
    WHEN ex_prod_update THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid product id entered');
END;
```



Summary

- Implicit cursors are automatically created for SQL statements
- Explicit cursors are declared
- Cursors allow the processing of a group of rows
- CURSOR FOR Loops simplify cursor coding
- Parameters make cursors more dynamic
- A REF CURSOR acts like a pointer
- BULK processing options can improve performance for queries and DML activity



Summary (continued)

- Add error handlers in the EXCEPTION area to manage Oracle and user-defined errors
- Exception propagation is the flow of error handling processing
- Use comments in code for documentation



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Oracle: PL/SQL Programming

Chapter 5

Procedures



Chapter Objectives

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- After completing this lesson, you should be able to understand:
 - Named program units
 - Creating a procedure
 - Calling a procedure from another procedure
 - Using the DESCRIBE command with procedures
 - Debugging procedures using DBMS_OUTPUT



Chapter Objectives (continued)


- After completing this lesson, you should be able to understand (continued):
 - Using subprograms
 - The scope of variables, exception handling and transaction control
 - Using `RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR` for error handling
 - Removing procedures




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- Develop programming modules for specific tasks such as calculating taxes or updating inventory



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Named Program Units

- PL/SQL blocks executed thus far have been anonymous blocks
- Now we will assign a name to the block and save it in the database as a stored program unit
- This makes program units reusable



Types of Program Units

Program Unit Type	Description
Stored procedure	Performs a task, such as calculating shipping costs, and can receive and input values as well as return values to the calling program. It's called explicitly from a program and is stored in the Oracle database.
Application procedure	Same as a stored procedure except it's saved in an Oracle application or library on the client side.
Package	Groups related procedures and functions. It's called from a program by name and is stored on the server side.
Database trigger	Performs a task automatically when a DML action occurs on the table it's associated with and is stored in the Oracle database.
Application trigger	Performs a task automatically when a particular event occurs, such as the user clicking a button; it's stored in an Oracle application.



Parameters – Make Program Units Reusable

- Mechanisms used to send values in and out of program units

Mode	Description
IN	Passes a value from the application environment to the procedure. This value is considered a constant because it can't be changed in the procedure. This mode is the default if no mode is indicated.
OUT	Passes a value from the procedure to the application environment. If values are calculated or retrieved from the database in the procedure, OUT parameters are used to return these values to the calling environment.
IN OUT	Allows passing a value in and out with the same parameter. The value sent out can be different from the value sent in.



Create Procedure Statement Syntax

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```
CREATE[OR REPLACE] PROCEDURE
```

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  procedure_name
```

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    [(parameter1_name[mode] data type,  
     parameter2_name[mode] data type,  
     ...)]
```

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  IS|AS
```

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    declaration section
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  BEGIN
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    executable section
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    EXCEPTION
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    exception handlers
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  END;
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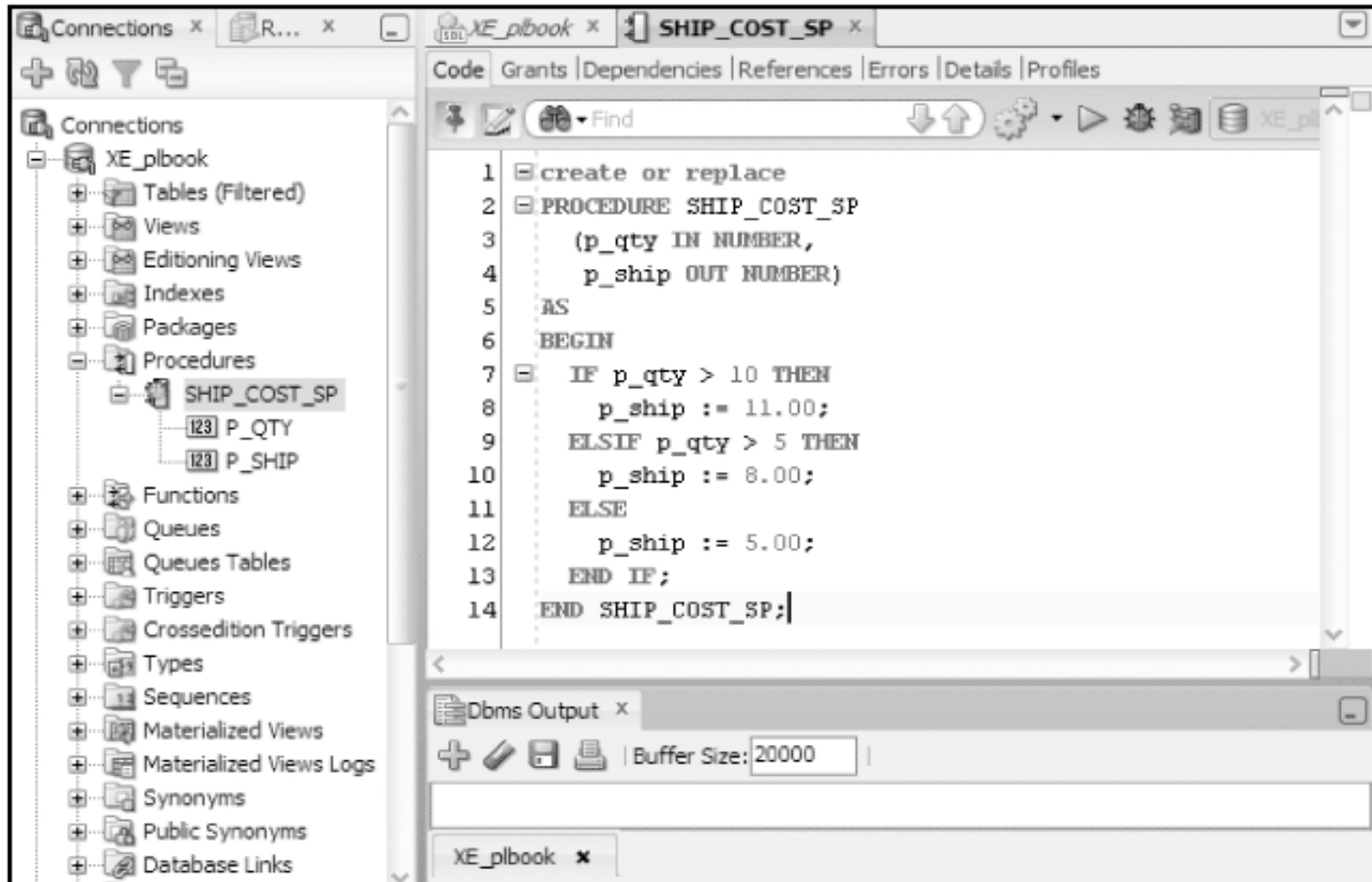
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PL/SQL block



Create Procedure Execution

- Procedure to determine shipping cost





Execute/Test the Procedure

PL/SQL

XE_plbook x SHIP_COST_SP x

Worksheet Query Builder

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_ship_num NUMBER(6,2);
3 BEGIN
4   SHIP_COST_SP( 7 , lv_ship_num );
5   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Ship Cost = ' || lv_ship_num);
6 END;
```

Declare a variable to hold value from OUT parameter

Call procedure addressing both parameters

Display value returned to verify

Script Output x

Task completed in 0.046 seconds

anonymous block completed

Dbms Output x

Buffer Size: 20000

Ship Cost = 8

XE_plbook x

Note: Parameter arguments are passed positionally by default



Compilation errors

PL/SQL

The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer IDE with the following components:

- Connections Panel:** On the left, a tree view shows the 'XE_plbook' connection. Under 'Procedures', the 'SHIP_COST_SP' procedure is selected.
- Code Editor:** The main window displays the SQL code for the 'SHIP_COST_SP' procedure. The code is as follows:

```
1 create or replace
2 PROCEDURE SHIP_COST_SP
3   (p_qty IN NUMBER(3),
4    p_ship OUT NUMBER)
5 AS
6 BEGIN
7   IF p_qty > 10 THEN
8     p_ship := 11.00;
9   ELSIF p_qty > 5 THEN
10    p_ship := 8.00;
11  ELSE
```

An arrow points from the text 'Error raised because a size value was added to the parameter's data type' to the 'NUMBER(3)' parameter definition on line 3.
- Messages Panel:** At the bottom, a 'Messages' window shows the error: 'Error(3,19): PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "(" when expecting one of'. The error message is partially obscured by the 'Compiler - Log' window.
- Compiler - Log:** A window titled 'Compiler - Log' is open, showing the project path 'Project: sqldev.temp/IdeConnections%23XE_plbook.jpr' and the procedure 'Procedure PLBOOK.SHIP_COST_SP@XE_plbook'.
- Toolbar:** The top toolbar includes a 'Compile' button (a gear icon) which is highlighted by an arrow pointing from the text 'Click to compile'.

Click to compile



Named Association Method

- Provide parameter values by position (default) or name

The screenshot displays the Oracle SQL Developer environment. The main window is titled 'SHIP_COST_SP' and shows a PL/SQL script in the 'Query Builder' tab. The script is as follows:

```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_ship_num NUMBER(6,2);
3 BEGIN
4   SHIP_COST_SP(p_ship => lv_ship_num,
5               p_qty => 7);
6   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Ship Cost = ' || lv_ship_num);
7 END;
```

Below the script editor, the 'Script Output' tab shows the message 'anonymous block completed' and the execution time 'Task completed in 0.031 seconds'. The 'Dbms Output' tab shows the output 'Ship Cost = 8'. The 'XE_plbook' window is also visible at the bottom.



IN OUT mode

- Send value in and out via the same parameter

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE phone_fmt_sp
    (p_phone IN OUT VARCHAR2)
    IS
BEGIN
    p_phone := '(' || SUBSTR(p_phone,1,3) || ')' ||
               SUBSTR(p_phone,4,3) || '-' ||
               SUBSTR(p_phone,7,4) ;
END;
```




Calling a Procedure from another procedure

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```
1 CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE ORDER_TOTAL_SP
2   (p_bsktid IN bb_basketitem.idbasket%TYPE,
3    p_cnt OUT NUMBER,
4    p_sub OUT NUMBER,
5    p_ship OUT NUMBER,
6    p_total OUT NUMBER)
7   IS
8   BEGIN
9     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('order total proc called');
10    SELECT SUM(quantity), SUM(quantity*price)
11      INTO p_cnt, p_sub
12      FROM bb_basketitem
13      WHERE idbasket = p_bsktid;
14    ship_cost_sp(p_cnt,p_ship);
15    p_total := NVL(p_sub,0) + NVL(p_ship,0);
16    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('order total proc ended');
17  END ORDER_TOTAL_SP;
```

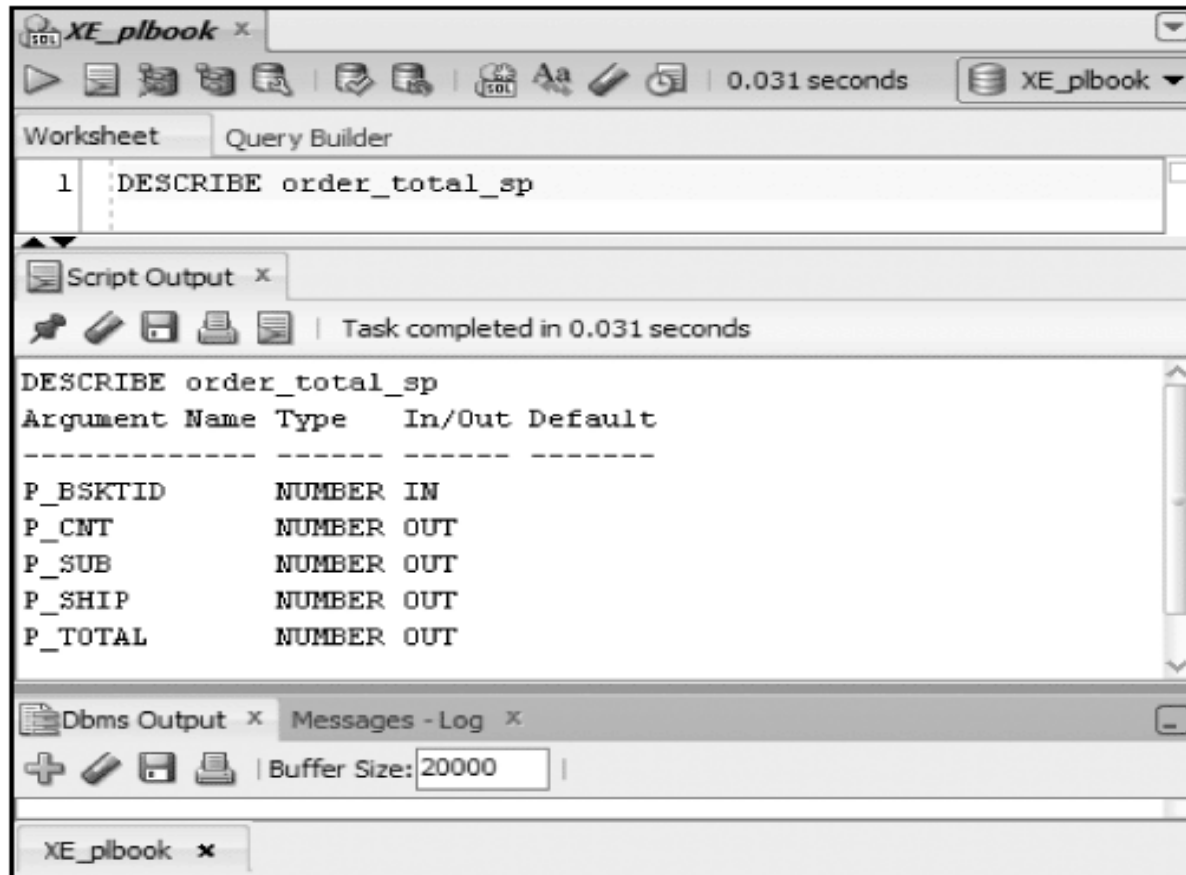
Type this code

Call to the SHIP_COST_SP
procedure



DESCRIBE Command

- Lists the parameters of a program unit





Debugging with DBMS_OUTPUT

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```
14 BEGIN
15 FOR rec_purch IN cur_purch LOOP
16 IF rec_purch.sub > 50 THEN
17     promo_flag := 'A';
18 ELSIF rec_purch.sub > 25 THEN
19     promo_flag := 'B';
20 END IF;
21     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(rec_purch.idshopper || ' has sub ' ||
22                           rec_purch.sub || ' and flag = ' ||
23                           promo_flag);
24 IF promo_flag IS NOT NULL THEN
25     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Insert processed for shopper ' ||
26                           rec_purch.idshopper);
27     INSERT INTO bb_promolist
28     VALUES (rec_purch.idshopper, p_mth, p_year, promo_flag, NULL);
29 END IF;
30     promo_flag := '';
31 END LOOP;
32 COMMIT;
33 END;
```

Displaying values
during execution



Debugging with DBMS_OUTPUT

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The top toolbar includes icons for running, saving, and other database operations. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook' and contains a 'Query Builder' tab. The script in the editor is as follows:

```
1 BEGIN
2     promo_test_sp('FEB','2012');
3 END;
```

Below the script editor, the 'Script Output' tab shows the message: 'Task completed in 0.016 seconds'. The 'Dbms Output' tab, which is currently selected, shows the output of the script:

```
anonymous block completed
22 has sub 41.6 and flag = B
Insert processed for shopper 22
21 has sub 28.5 and flag = B
Insert processed for shopper 21
24 has sub 48.9 and flag = B
Insert processed for shopper 24
23 has sub 21.6 and flag =
Insert processed for shopper 23
```



Subprograms

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- A program unit defined within another program unit
- Must be declared in the DECLARE section of the containing program unit
- Can only be referenced by the containing program unit



Variable Scope

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- When nesting blocks, are variables shared?
- Inner blocks can use variables from outer blocks



Variable Scope (continued)

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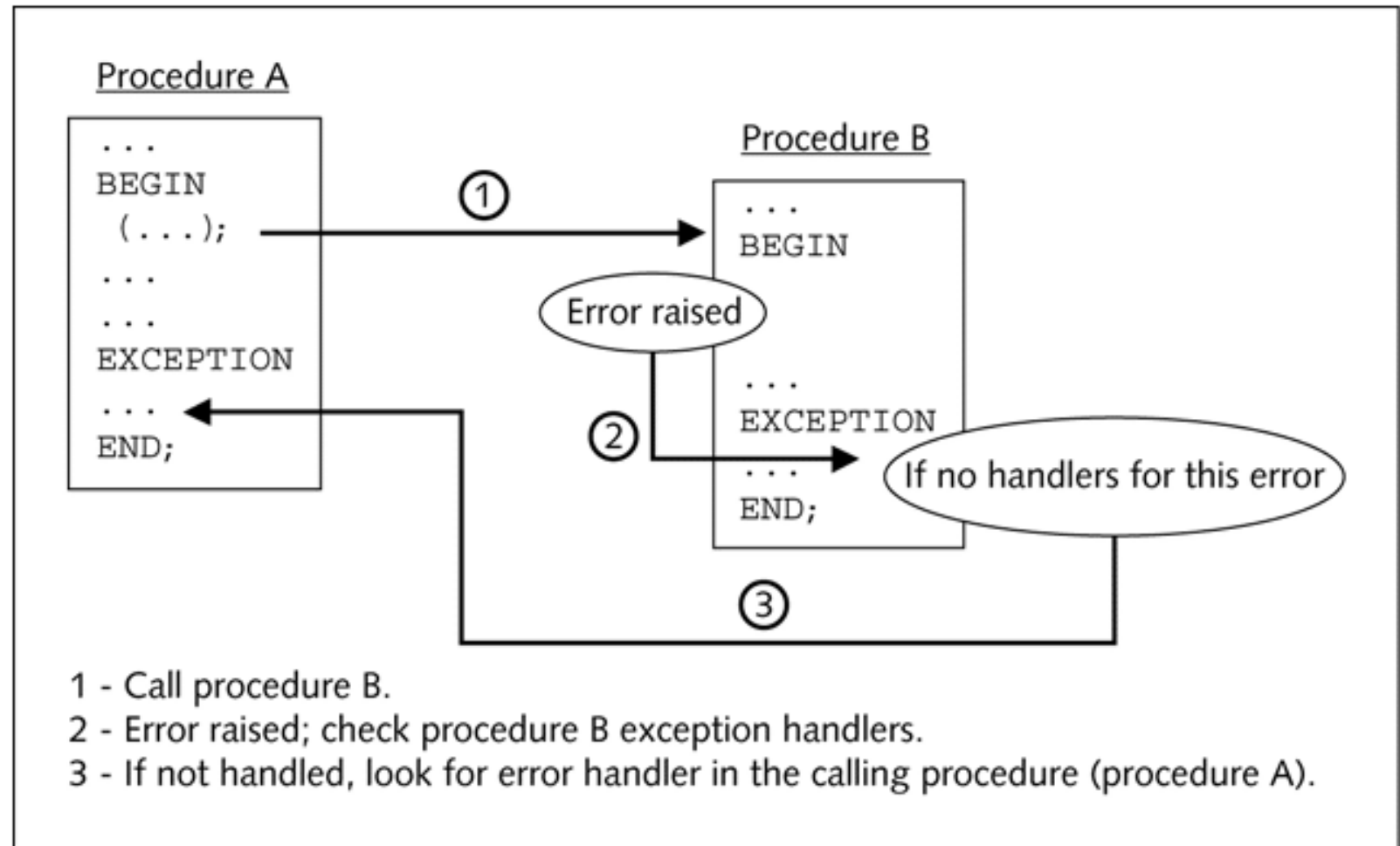
```
1 DECLARE
2   lv_one_num NUMBER(2) := 10;
3   lv_two_num NUMBER(2) := 20;
4 BEGIN
5   DECLARE
6     lv_one_num NUMBER(2) := 30;
7     lv_three_num NUMBER(2) := 40;
8   BEGIN
9     lv_one_num := lv_one_num + 10;
10    lv_two_num := lv_two_num + 10;
11    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Nested one = ' || lv_one_num);
12    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Nested two = ' || lv_two_num);
13    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Nested three = ' || lv_three_num);
14  END;
15  lv_one_num := lv_one_num + 10;
16  lv_two_num := lv_two_num + 10;
17  lv_three_num := lv_three_num + 10;
18  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Enclosing one = ' || lv_one_num);
19  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Enclosing two = ' || lv_two_num);
20  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Enclosing three = ' || lv_three_num);
21 END;
```

← Nested block



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Transaction Control Scope

- The scope refers to the group of DML statements that are affected by a particular transaction control statement
- By default, a session has a single DML queue and a transaction control statement would affect all DML in the queue regardless of which program unit initiated the statement
- DML statements of a program unit can be treated separately or as an autonomous transaction



Autonomous Transaction

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The top tab is 'TC_TEST_SP2'. The 'Code' tab is active, displaying the following PL/SQL code:

```
1 create or replace
2 PROCEDURE tc_test_sp2 IS
3     PRAGMA AUTONOMOUS_TRANSACTION;
4 BEGIN
5     INSERT INTO bb_test1
6     VALUES (2);
7     COMMIT;
8 END;
```

Below the code editor, the 'Messages - Log' tab is active, showing the status 'Compiled'.



RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR

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```
1 CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE stock_ck_sp
2     (p_qty IN NUMBER,
3      p_prod IN NUMBER)
4 IS
5     lv_stock_num bb_product.idProduct*TYPE;
6 BEGIN
7     SELECT stock
8     INTO lv_stock_num
9     FROM bb_product
10    WHERE idProduct = p_prod;
11     IF p_qty > lv_stock_num THEN
12         RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR(-20000, 'Not enough in stock. ' ||
13         'Request = ' || p_qty || ' / Stock level = ' || lv_stock_num);
14     END IF;
15 EXCEPTION
16     WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN
17         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('No Stock found. ');
18 END;
```



RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR (continued)

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The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The top toolbar includes icons for running, saving, and other database operations. The main window is titled 'XE_plbook' and shows a 'Query Builder' tab. The script being executed is as follows:

```
1 BEGIN
2   stock_ck_sp(20,2);
3 END;
```

Below the script, the 'Script Output' tab is visible, showing the execution results. The output indicates that the task completed in 0.125 seconds. An error report is displayed, showing the following messages:

```
Error report:
ORA-20000: Not enough in stock. Request = 20 / Stock level = 15
ORA-06512: at "PLBOOK.STOCK_CK_SP", line 12
ORA-06512: at line 2
20000. 00000 - "%s"
*Cause:   The stored procedure 'raise_application_error'
          was called which causes this error to be generated.
*Action:  Correct the problem as described in the error message or contact
          the application administrator or DBA for more information.
```

Error message defined with the
`RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR`
function



Remove a Procedure

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```
DROP PROCEDURE procedure_name;
```



Summary

- Named program unit assigns a name to a program unit so it can be reused
- Parameters are used to pass values in and out of program units
- Stored program units are saved in the database
- Parameter modes include: IN, OUT, and IN OUT
- Use DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE statement to debug



Summary (continued)

- A subprogram is a procedure declared within another procedure
- Variable scope must be considered with nested blocks
- Autonomous transactions must be explicitly created
- The `RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR` function enables programmer defined errors
- Remove a procedure with the `DROP PROCEDURE` command