



Oracle Application Express: Developing Database Web Applications

Hands-On-Labs Guide

Unit 16: Migrating Application Development Between Environments

This exercise includes two hands-on-labs and uses the Demo Projects application.

HOL 16-1 Importing an Application: In this lab, you import an application along with the underlying database objects and seed data.

HOL 16-2 Migrating your Application Development Between Environments: In this lab, you export an application and then use SQL Workshop to export database objects and seed data. Steps 3 through 67 in this lab are optional. You need a target APEX environment to perform these steps. To test these steps, you might want to use a different Workspace. If you want to import the application into the same Workspace, then you might have to choose a different application ID. Installing database objects and seed data will still fail, as they are already created.

HOL 16-1: Importing an Application

In this lab, you import an application into your Workspace.

This lab uses the application export file **demo_projects_app_export-unit15.sql** which is the application export file for HOL 15-8.

The steps in this lab assume that you are importing an application within the same Workspace that you used in the previous hands-on labs. The steps in the lab assume that the underlying database objects are already available.

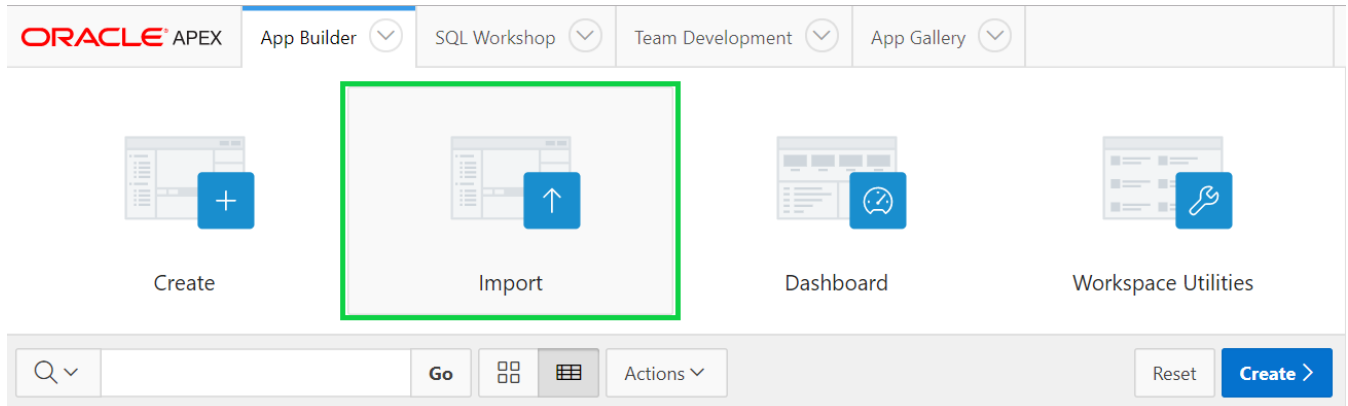
Note: If you are importing the application into a different Workspace (either on the same or different instance), the steps might slightly differ.

- The application export file you can use in this case is **demo_projects_packaged_app.sql**. The underlying database objects and seed data for this application are packaged along with the application definition in a single file. After installing the application, you can view the installation scripts for the database objects and data by clicking **Supporting Objects** on the application home page.
- Installation of supporting objects and seed data may fail if you already have the database objects created in your schema. In that case, you completely deinstall your installed application and install again. Complete deinstall will delete the underlying database objects and the data as well. Alternatively, if you do not need your existing objects and seed data, then you can simply run the **drop_objects.sql** before proceeding with the steps in this lab. However, note that this script will completely delete all of your underlying database objects along with the data.
- Upon installing the application in a different workspace, navigate to your application home page and then click **Shared Components**. Click **Application Access Control** and then click **Add User Role Assignment**. You need to add yourself as an Administrator here for you to access all of the pages in the application and also see the Administration page in the menu.

Note: If you want to take a backup of your existing application along with the database objects and seed data, perform steps 1 and 2 in HOL 16-2.

Note: The installation of database objects and seed data may succeed or fail, depending on what database objects are already created. If installation fails, click **Install Summary**, and review the errors. The errors should relate to objects already existing, such as ORA-00955: name is already used by an existing object.

1. Navigate to **App Builder** and click **Import**.



2. Click **Choose File**.

Navigate to your working directory and double-click the **demo_projects_app_export-unit15.sql** file. Then, click **Next**.

Note: To import any other APEX application export into your Workspace, you select that file in this step.

Import

Select the file you wish to import to the export repository. Once imported, you can install your file.

If the imported file is a productivity or sample application export, the installation wizard will allow you to run the app installation scripts after installing the application definition.

* Import file demo_projects_app_export-unit15.sql ?

* File Type: ☒ Database Application, Page or Component Export ?
☐ Worksheet Application Export
☐ Plug-in
☐ Theme Export
☐ User Interface Defaults
☐ Team Development Feedback
☐ CSS Export [Deprecated]
☐ Image Export [Deprecated]
☐ File Export [Deprecated]

File Character Set ?

3. On the File Import Confirmation page, click **Next**.
4. For Install As Application, make sure **Auto Assign New Application ID** is selected. The steps might slightly differ if you select Reuse Application ID < n > option. Click **Install Application**.

When you install an application having the same ID as an existing application in the current workspace, the existing application is deleted and then replaced by the new application. If you attempt to install an application having the same ID as an existing application in a different workspace, a benign error message displays. If you are importing a Application Express application, the installation wizard will allow you to install supporting objects.

Current Workspace: **LOWCODE** ⓘ

Export File Workspace: **LOWCODE** ⓘ

Export File Workspace ID: **5523230421166791507** ⓘ

Export File Application ID: **23192** ⓘ

Export File Version: **2019.10.04** ⓘ

Export File Parsing Schema: **LOWCODE** ⓘ

Application Origin: **This application was exported from the current workspace.** ⓘ

* Parsing Schema: **LOWCODE** ⓘ

* Build Status: **Run and Build Application** ⓘ

* Install As Application: ☒ **Auto Assign New Application ID** ⓘ
☐ Reuse Application ID 23192 From Export File
☐ Change Application ID

> **Tasks**

< Cancel Install Application

5. Click **Run Application**.
6. The application is successfully installed now. Log in using your Workspace Username and Password.
7. Navigate to your application home page and then click **Shared Components**. Click **Application Access Control** and then click **Add User Role Assignment**. You need to add yourself as an Administrator here for you to access all of the pages in the application and also see the Administration page in the menu.

HOL 16-2: Migrating your Application Development between Environments

In this lab, you export an application definition, underlying database objects along with the seed data. Steps 3 through 67 are optional. After exporting application from the current development environment, you log in to the target Application Express environment, import the application and then load the tables along with data.

1. From your current development environment, export an application. Navigate to **App Builder** and in the report, select the application you want to export. In this lab, you export the Demo Projects application that you created until HOL 15-8. Alternatively, you can export the application that you imported in HOL 16-1.
 - a) On your application home page, click **Export / Import**.
 - b) Select **Export** and click **Next**.
 - c) Make sure you click and turn **On** Export Private Reports and Export with Original IDs. Click **Export**.
Note: Depending on the browser, if you see a Save dialog, click **Save**.
 - d) The application export file is saved in your local directory as a .sql file. You might want to rename the file.
2. Now, you export database objects and data. Perform the following steps:
 - a) In your Workspace, click **SQL Workshop > Utilities**.
 - b) Under Utilities, select **Generate DDL**.
 - c) Click **Create Script**.
 - d) Verify the Schema and click **Next**.
 - e) For Output, select **Save As Script File**.
 - f) For Object Type, select **Table** and click **Next**.
 - g) Select all of the relevant tables for this application. Select the following tables:
 - **DEMO_PROJECTS**
 - **DEMO_PROJ_COMMENTS**
 - **DEMO_PROJ_CONSTRAINTS**
 - **DEMO_PROJ_MILESTONES**
 - **DEMO_PROJ_STATUS**
 - **DEMO_PROJ_TASKS**
 - **DEMO_PROJ_TASK_LINKS**
 - **DEMO_PROJ_TASK_TODOS**
 - **DEMO_PROJ_TEAM_MEMBERS**

- h) Click Generate **DDL**.
- i) For Script Name, enter a meaningful name, for example **Create Demo Project Tables**.
Optionally enter a description.
Click **Create Script**.
- j) The DDL is now saved as a script under SQL Scripts.
Click the **Edit** icon (pencil) on the recently created script.
- k) Click **Download**.
- l) Click **Save**.
- m) Now, create a script to include trigger definitions and then download the script.
 - i. Repeat steps a through e and input the following:
Select **Trigger** for Object Type
 - ii. Select the following triggers:
 - ✓ biu_demo_proj_status
 - ✓ biu_demo_proj_team_members
 - ✓ biu_demo_projects
 - ✓ biu_demo_proj_milestones
 - ✓ biu_demo_proj_tasks
 - ✓ biu_demo_proj_task_todos
 - ✓ biu_demo_proj_task_links
 - ✓ biu_demo_proj_comments
 - iii. Enter **Create Demo Project Triggers** for script name and enter a meaningful description.
- n) Now that you have both the DDL scripts created and downloaded, you need to unload the table data. You use SQL Workshop > Object Browser to download the CSV files for your data.
Click the SQL Workshop down arrow, select **Object Browser**.
- o) Select the **DEMO_PROJECTS** table and click **Data**.
- p) Click **Download**. Save the CSV file.
- q) Repeat steps l and m until you unload data from all of the Demo Projects application tables.

3. You have exported the application definition, database objects and data from your current development environment. Now first navigate to the target APEX environment and install the application definition.
Log into your target Application Express development environment and perform the following steps:
 - a) Navigate to **App Builder** and click **Import**
 - b) Click **Choose File**.
 - c) Navigate to your working directory and double-click the application export file. Then, click **Next**.
 - d) On the File Import Confirmation page, click **Next**.
 - e) For Install As Application, specify your choice for Application ID. The default is Auto Assign New Application ID.
 - f) Click **Install Application**. The application is successfully installed now.
4. Now, navigate to **SQL Workshop**.
5. Use SQL Workshop to load and run the script file, for creating the table and trigger definitions.
 - a) Click **SQL Scripts**
 - b) Upload the script to create the tables first. Click **Upload**.
 - c) For File, click **Choose File**.
 - d) In the operating system File Browser, navigate to the subdirectory where you saved the table script file. Locate **Create Demo Project Tables.sql** and double-click the file.
 - e) Click **Upload**.
 - f) Click the **Run** icon to the right of the script you uploaded.
 - g) Click Run Now.
 - h) Click the View Results icon for the script you just ran.
 - i) To create triggers, repeat steps a through h and select the **Create Demo Project Triggers.sql**.
6. Currently the tables you created do not have any data. Use the CSV files you created to populate the tables. The order in which the tables are populated is crucial, to ensure referential integrity does not prevent records loading.
For example, loading any records into DEMO_PROJECTS before loading the records into DEMO_PROJ_TEAM_MEMBERS will fail, as the ASSIGNEE column in DEMO_PROJECTS

must correspond to an existing record in DEMO_PROJ_TEAM_MEMBERS.

7. Click **SQL Workshop**. Then, click **Utilities**.
8. Click **Data Workshop**.
9. Click **Load Data**.
10. Click **Choose File**.
11. Navigate to your working directory where you have the CSV files of your table data. Select the table name for which you want to populate the data first in order.
Select **DEMO_PROJ_TEAM_MEMBERS.csv**.
12. For Load To, select **Existing Table**.
13. For Table, select the table from the list. Select **DEMO_PROJ_TEAM_MEMBERS**
14. Click **Configure**. For PHOTO_BLOB, under Map To, select **Unmapped Column**. Click **Save Changes**.
15. Click **Load Data**.
16. Close the dialog page.
17. Repeat steps 7 through 10.
18. Navigate to your working directory where you have the CSV files of your table data. Select the table name for which you want to populate the data first in order.
Select **DEMO_PROJ_CONSTRAINTS.csv**.
19. For Load To, select **Existing Table**.
20. For Table, select the table from the list. Select **DEMO_PROJ_CONSTRAINTS**.
21. Click **Load Data**.
22. Close the dialog page.
23. Repeat steps 7 through 10.
24. Navigate to your working directory where you have the CSV files of your table data. Select the table name for which you want to populate the data first in order.
Select **DEMO_PROJ_STATUS.csv**.
25. For Load To, select **Existing Table**.

26. For Table, select the table from the list. Select **DEMO_PROJ_STATUS**.
27. Click **Configure**. For CREATED, and UPDATED, under Map To, select **Unmapped Column**.
28. Click **Save Changes**.
29. Click **Load Data**.
30. Close the dialog.
31. Repeat steps 7 through 10.
32. Navigate to your working directory where you have the CSV files of your table data. Select the table name for which you want to populate the data first in order.
Select **DEMO_PROJECTS.csv**.
33. Click **Configure**. For CREATED, and UPDATED, under Map To, select **Unmapped Column**.
34. Click **Save Changes**.
35. Click **Load Data**.
36. Close the dialog.
37. Repeat steps 7 through 10.
38. Navigate to your working directory where you have the CSV files of your table data. Select the table name for which you want to populate the data first in order.
Select **DEMO_PROJ_MILESTONES.csv**.
39. Click **Configure**. For CREATED, and UPDATED, under Map To, select **Unmapped Column**.
40. Click **Save Changes**.
41. Click **Load Data**.
42. Close the dialog.
43. Repeat steps 7 through 10.
44. Navigate to your working directory where you have the CSV files of your table data. Select the table name for which you want to populate the data first in order.
Select **DEMO_PROJ_TASKS.csv**.

45. Click **Configure**. For MILESTONE_ID, CREATED, and UPDATED, under Map To, select **Unmapped Column**.
46. Click **Save Changes**.
47. Click **Load Data**.
48. Close the dialog.
49. Repeat steps 7 through 10.
50. Navigate to your working directory where you have the CSV files of your table data. Select the table name for which you want to populate the data first in order.
Select **DEMO_PROJ_TASK_TODOs.csv**.
51. Click **Configure**. For CREATED, and UPDATED, under Map To, select **Unmapped Column**.
52. Click **Save Changes**.
53. Click **Load Data**.
54. Close the dialog.
55. Repeat steps 7 through 10.
56. Navigate to your working directory where you have the CSV files of your table data. Select the table name for which you want to populate the data first in order.
Select **DEMO_PROJ_TASK_LINKs.csv**.
57. Click **Configure**. For APPLICATION_ID, APPLICATION_PAGE, CREATED, and UPDATED, under Map To, select **Unmapped Column**.
58. Click **Save Changes**.
59. Click **Load Data**.
60. Close the dialog.
61. Repeat steps 7 through 10.
62. Navigate to your working directory where you have the CSV files of your table data. Select the table name for which you want to populate the data first in order.
Select **DEMO_PROJ_COMMENTS.csv**.
63. Click **Configure**. For CREATED and UPDATED, under Map To, select **Unmapped Column**.

64. Click **Save Changes**.
65. Click **Load Data**.
66. Close the dialog.
67. Now, you can run and review the application. However, if you run the application, you see the error message “You must be a team member to use this application”. This is because of the authorization scheme you defined.

In the application home page, navigate to **Shared Components > Security > Authorization Schemes**. Select **Team Members** and click **Delete**.

Now, you can successfully log in to the application.



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