

# **Practices for Lesson 7: Working with Composite Data Types**

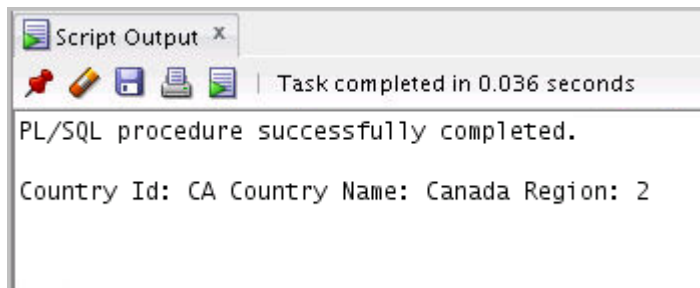
## **Chapter 7**

## Practice 7: Working with Composite Data Types

**Note:** If you have executed the code examples for this lesson, make sure that you execute the following code before starting this practice:

```
DROP table retired_emps;  
DROP table empl;
```

1. Write a PL/SQL block to print information about a given country.
  - a. Declare a PL/SQL record based on the structure of the `COUNTRIES` table.
  - b. Declare a variable `v_countryid`. Assign `CA` to `v_countryid`.
  - c. In the declarative section, use the `%ROWTYPE` attribute and declare the `v_country_record` variable of type `countries`.
  - d. In the executable section, get all the information from the `COUNTRIES` table by using `v_countryid`. Display selected information about the country. The sample output is as follows:

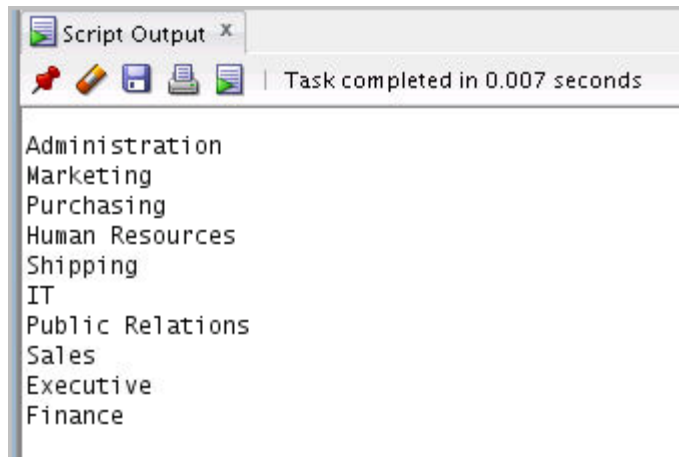


- e. You may want to execute and test the PL/SQL block for countries with the IDs `DE`, `UK`, and `US`.
2. Create a PL/SQL block to retrieve the names of some departments from the `DEPARTMENTS` table and print each department name on the screen, incorporating an associative array. Save the script as `lab_07_02_soln.sql`.
  - a. Declare an `INDEX BY table` `dept_table_type` of type `departments.department_name`. Declare a variable `my_dept_table` of type `dept_table_type` to temporarily store the names of the departments.
  - b. Declare two variables: `f_loop_count` and `v_deptno` of type `NUMBER`. Assign 10 to `f_loop_count` and 0 to `v_deptno`.
  - c. Using a loop, retrieve the names of 10 departments and store the names in the associative array. Start with `department_id` 10. Increase `v_deptno` by 10 for every loop iteration. The following table shows the `department_id` for which you should retrieve the `department_name`.

| DEPARTMENT_ID | DEPARTMENT_NAME |
|---------------|-----------------|
| 10            | Administration  |
| 20            | Marketing       |
| 30            | Purchasing      |
| 40            | Human Resources |

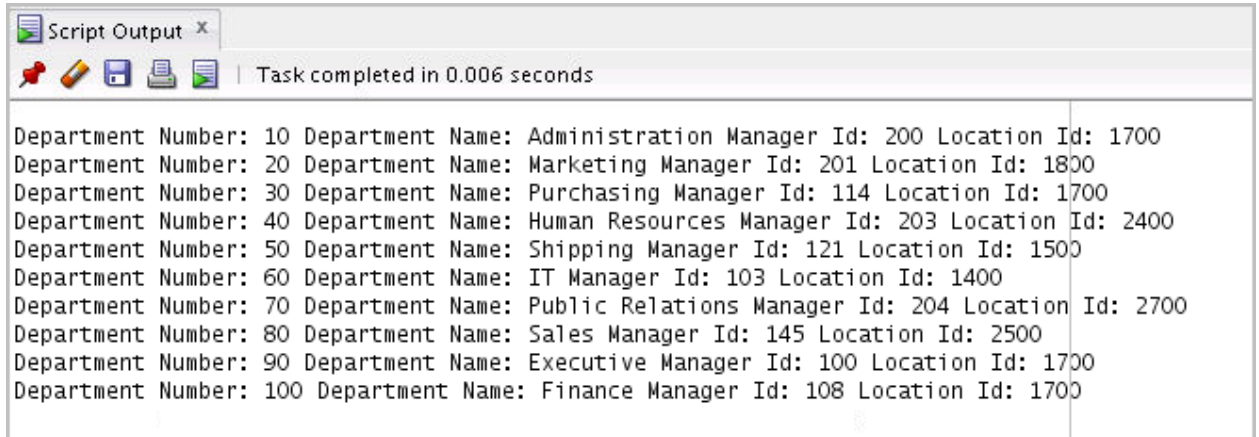
|            |                         |
|------------|-------------------------|
| <b>50</b>  | <b>Shipping</b>         |
| <b>60</b>  | <b>IT</b>               |
| <b>70</b>  | <b>Public Relations</b> |
| <b>80</b>  | <b>Sales</b>            |
| <b>90</b>  | <b>Executive</b>        |
| <b>100</b> | <b>Finance</b>          |

- d. Using another loop, retrieve the department names from the associative array and display them.
- e. Execute and save your script as `lab_07_02_soln.sql`. The output is as follows:



3. Modify the block that you created in Task 2 to retrieve all information about each department from the `DEPARTMENTS` table and display the information. Use an associative array with the `INDEX BY` table of records method.
  - a. Load the `lab_07_02_soln.sql` script.
  - b. You have declared the associative array to be of type `departments.department_name`. Modify the declaration of the associative array to temporarily store the number, name, and location of all the departments. Use the `%ROWTYPE` attribute.
  - c. Modify the `SELECT` statement to retrieve all department information currently in the `DEPARTMENTS` table and store it in the associative array.
  - d. Using another loop, retrieve the department information from the associative array and display the information.

The sample output is as follows:



The image shows a 'Script Output' window with a title bar and a close button. Below the title bar is a toolbar with icons for a pushpin, a pencil, a save icon, a print icon, and a refresh icon. To the right of the toolbar, it says 'Task completed in 0.006 seconds'. The main area of the window contains a list of ten department records, each on a new line. Each record follows the format: 'Department Number: [id] Department Name: [name] Manager Id: [id] Location Id: [id]'. The records are for departments 10 through 100.

|                        |                                   |                 |                   |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Department Number: 10  | Department Name: Administration   | Manager Id: 200 | Location Id: 1700 |
| Department Number: 20  | Department Name: Marketing        | Manager Id: 201 | Location Id: 1800 |
| Department Number: 30  | Department Name: Purchasing       | Manager Id: 114 | Location Id: 1700 |
| Department Number: 40  | Department Name: Human Resources  | Manager Id: 203 | Location Id: 2400 |
| Department Number: 50  | Department Name: Shipping         | Manager Id: 121 | Location Id: 1500 |
| Department Number: 60  | Department Name: IT               | Manager Id: 103 | Location Id: 1400 |
| Department Number: 70  | Department Name: Public Relations | Manager Id: 204 | Location Id: 2700 |
| Department Number: 80  | Department Name: Sales            | Manager Id: 145 | Location Id: 2500 |
| Department Number: 90  | Department Name: Executive        | Manager Id: 100 | Location Id: 1700 |
| Department Number: 100 | Department Name: Finance          | Manager Id: 108 | Location Id: 1700 |

## Solution 7: Working with Composite Data Types

1. Write a PL/SQL block to print information about a given country.
  - a. Declare a PL/SQL record based on the structure of the `COUNTRIES` table.
  - b. Declare a variable `v_countryid`. Assign `CA` to `v_countryid`.

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

SET VERIFY OFF
DECLARE
    v_countryid varchar2(20) := 'CA';
```

- c. In the declarative section, use the `%ROWTYPE` attribute and declare the `v_country_record` variable of type `countries`.

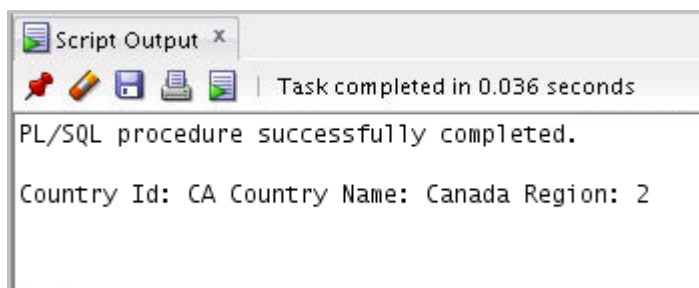
```
v_country_record countries%ROWTYPE;
```

- d. In the executable section, get all the information from the `COUNTRIES` table by using `v_countryid`. Display selected information about the country.

```
BEGIN
    SELECT *
    INTO    v_country_record
    FROM    countries
    WHERE   country_id = UPPER(v_countryid);

    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('Country Id: ' ||
        v_country_record.country_id ||
        ' Country Name: ' || v_country_record.country_name
        || ' Region: ' || v_country_record.region_id);
END;
```

The sample output after performing all the above steps is as follows:



- e. You may want to execute and test the PL/SQL block for countries with the IDs `DE`, `UK`, and `US`.

2. Create a PL/SQL block to retrieve the names of some departments from the `DEPARTMENTS` table and print each department name on the screen, incorporating an associative array. Save the script as `lab_07_02_soln.sql`.

- a. Declare an `INDEX BY table` `dept_table_type` of type `departments.department_name`. Declare a variable `my_dept_table` of type `dept_table_type` to temporarily store the names of the departments.

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

DECLARE
    TYPE dept_table_type is table of
        departments.department_name%TYPE
    INDEX BY PLS_INTEGER;
    my_dept_table    dept_table_type;
```

- b. Declare two variables: `f_loop_count` and `v_deptno` of type `NUMBER`. Assign 10 to `f_loop_count` and 0 to `v_deptno`.

```
f_loop_count    NUMBER (2) :=10;
v_deptno        NUMBER (4) :=0;
```

- c. Using a loop, retrieve the names of 10 departments and store the names in the associative array. Start with `department_id` 10. Increase `v_deptno` by 10 for every iteration of the loop. The following table shows the `department_id` for which you should retrieve the `department_name` and store in the associative array.

| DEPARTMENT_ID | DEPARTMENT_NAME  |
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| 10            | Administration   |
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| 60            | IT               |
| 70            | Public Relations |
| 80            | Sales            |
| 90            | Executive        |
| 100           | Finance          |

```

BEGIN
  FOR i IN 1..f_loop_count
  LOOP
    v_deptno:=v_deptno+10;
    SELECT department_name
    INTO my_dept_table(i)
    FROM departments
    WHERE department_id = v_deptno;
  END LOOP;

```

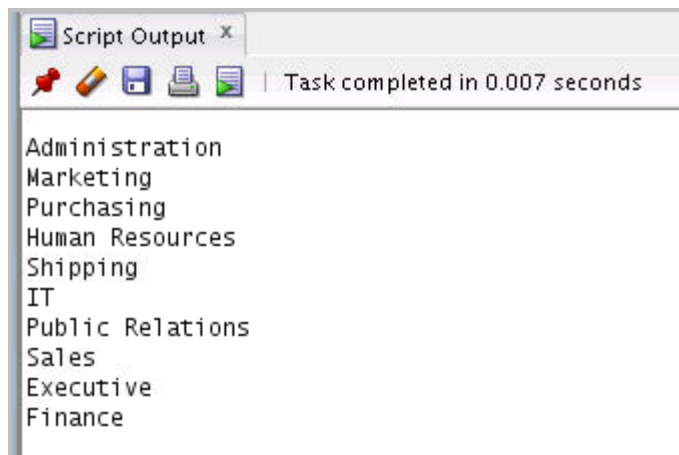
- d. Using another loop, retrieve the department names from the associative array and display them.

```

FOR i IN 1..f_loop_count
  LOOP
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE (my_dept_table(i));
  END LOOP;
END;

```

- e. Execute and save your script as `lab_07_02_soln.sql`. The output is as follows:



3. Modify the block that you created in Task 2 to retrieve all information about each department from the `DEPARTMENTS` table and display the information. Use an associative array with the `INDEX BY` table of records method.
  - a. Load the `lab_07_02_soln.sql` script.
  - b. You have declared the associative array to be of the `departments.department_name` type. Modify the declaration of the associative array to temporarily store the number, name, and location of all the departments. Use the `%ROWTYPE` attribute.

```

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

DECLARE
  TYPE dept_table_type is table of departments%ROWTYPE
  INDEX BY PLS_INTEGER;

```

```

my_dept_table    dept_table_type;
f_loop_count     NUMBER (2) := 10;
v_deptno         NUMBER (4) := 0;

```

- c. Modify the SELECT statement to retrieve all department information currently in the DEPARTMENTS table and store it in the associative array.

```

BEGIN
  FOR i IN 1..f_loop_count
  LOOP
    v_deptno := v_deptno + 10;
    SELECT *
    INTO my_dept_table(i)
    FROM departments
    WHERE department_id = v_deptno;
  END LOOP;

```

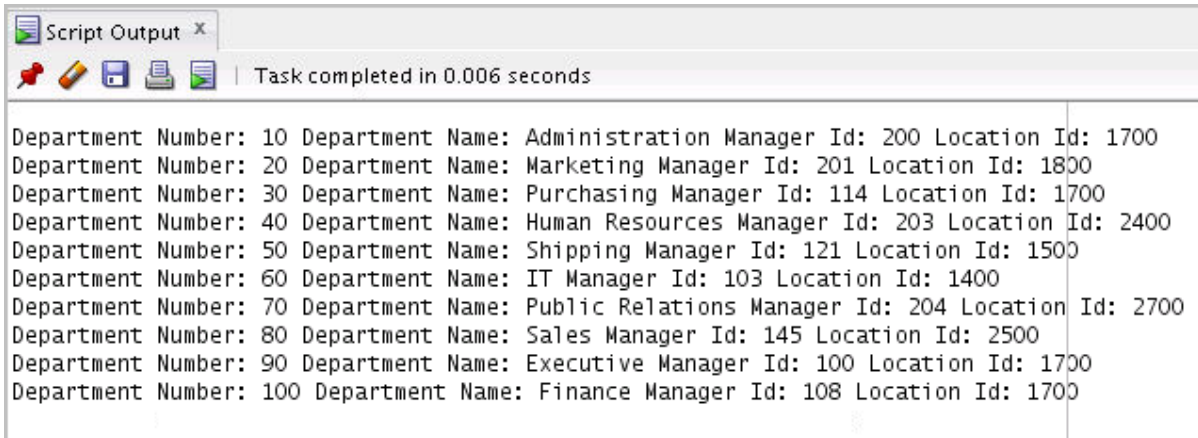
- d. Using another loop, retrieve the department information from the associative array and display the information.

```

FOR i IN 1..f_loop_count
  LOOP
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('Department Number: ' ||
my_dept_table(i).department_id
    || ' Department Name: ' || my_dept_table(i).department_name
    || ' Manager Id: ' || my_dept_table(i).manager_id
    || ' Location Id: ' || my_dept_table(i).location_id);
  END LOOP;
END;

```

The sample output is as follows:



```

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