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Practices for Lesson 1: Introduction

Practices for Lesson 1

There are no practices for this lesson.

**Practices for Lesson 2:
Working with Exadata
Express Cloud Service**

Practices for Lesson 2

There are no practices for this lesson.

Practices for Lesson 3: Overview of Collections

Practices for Lesson 3: Overview

In this practice, you analyze collections for common errors, and create a collection.
Use the OE schema for this practice.

Practice 3-1: Analyzing Collections

Overview

In this practice, you create a nested table collection and use PL/SQL code to manipulate the collection.

Use the OE connection for this practice.

Before starting the tasks, you may need to start the database listener and also start up the database. In a new terminal window, issue the following commands and use the screenshots for reference. If your listener and database are already running, then proceed on to the tasks:

Command 1: lsnrctl status

Command 2: lsnrctl start

Command 3: sqlplus / as sysdba

Command 4: startup

```
[oracle@edvmr1p0 ~]$ lsnrctl status
LSNRCTL for Linux: Version 19.0.0.0.0 - Production on 19-OCT-2020 17:51:37
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Connecting to (DESCRIPTION=(ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=TCP)(HOST=edvmr1p0)(PORT=1521)))
TNS-12541: TNS:no listener
TNS-12560: TNS:protocol adapter error
TNS-00511: No listener
Linux Error: 111: Connection refused

[oracle@edvmr1p0 ~]$ lsnrctl start
LSNRCTL for Linux: Version 19.0.0.0.0 - Production on 19-OCT-2020 17:51:48
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Starting /u01/app/oracle/product/19.3.0/dbhome_1/bin/tnslsnr: please wait...

TNSLSNR for Linux: Version 19.0.0.0.0 - Production
System parameter file is /u01/app/oracle/product/19.3.0/dbhome_1/network/admin/listener.ora
Log messages written to /u01/app/oracle/diag/tnslsnr/edvmr1p0/listener/alert/log.xml
Listening on: (DESCRIPTION=(ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=tcp)(HOST=edvmr1p0.us.oracle.com)(PORT=1521)))

Connecting to (DESCRIPTION=(ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=TCP)(HOST=edvmr1p0)(PORT=1521)))
STATUS of the LISTENER
-----
Alias           LISTENER
Version        TNSLSNR for Linux: Version 19.0.0.0.0 - Production
Start Date     19-OCT-2020 17:51:48
Uptime         0 days 0 hr. 0 min. 0 sec
Trace Level    off
Security       ON: Local OS Authentication
SNMP           OFF
Listener Parameter File  /u01/app/oracle/product/19.3.0/dbhome_1/network/admin/listener.ora
Listener Log File   /u01/app/oracle/diag/tnslsnr/edvmr1p0/listener/alert/log.xml
Listening Endpoints Summary...
(DESCRIPTION=(ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=tcp)(HOST=edvmr1p0.us.oracle.com)(PORT=1521)))
The listener supports no services
The command completed successfully
```

```
[oracle@edvmr1p0 ~]$ sqlplus / as sysdba

SQL*Plus: Release 19.0.0.0.0 - Production on Mon Oct 19 17:51:56 2020
Version 19.3.0.0.0

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Connected to an idle instance.

SQL> startup
ORACLE instance started.

Total System Global Area 2013264224 bytes
Fixed Size          9136480 bytes
Variable Size       805306368 bytes
Database Buffers   11911182336 bytes
Redo Buffers        7639040 bytes
Database mounted.
Database opened.
SQL>
```

Task

1. Examine the following definitions. Run task 1 of the `lab_03.sql` script to create these objects.

```
CREATE TYPE typ_item AS OBJECT --create object
  (prodid  NUMBER(5),
   price    NUMBER(7,2) )
/
CREATE TYPE typ_item_nst -- define nested table type
  AS TABLE OF typ_item
/
CREATE TABLE pOrder ( -- create database table
  ordid      NUMBER(5),
  supplier   NUMBER(5),
  requester  NUMBER(4),
  ordered     DATE,
  items      typ_item_nst)
  NESTED TABLE items STORE AS item_stor_tab
/
```

2. The following code generates an error. Run task 2 of the lab_03.sql script to generate and view the error.

```
BEGIN
    -- Insert an order
    INSERT INTO pOrder
        (ordid, supplier, requester, ordered, items)
    VALUES (1000, 12345, 9876, SYSDATE, NULL);
    -- insert the items for the order created
    INSERT INTO TABLE (SELECT items
                        FROM   pOrder
                        WHERE  ordid = 1000)
    VALUES(typ_item(99, 129.00));
END;
/
```

- a. Why does the error occur?
- b. How can you fix the error?

3. Examine the following code, which produces an error. Which line causes the error, and how do you fix it?

Note: You can run task 3 of the lab_03.sql script to view the error output.

```
DECLARE
    TYPE credit_card_typ
    IS VARRAY(100) OF VARCHAR2(30);

    v_mc    credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
    v_visa  credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
    v_am    credit_card_typ;
    v_disc  credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
    v_dc    credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();

BEGIN
    v_mc.EXTEND;
    v_visa.EXTEND;
    v_am.EXTEND;
    v_disc.EXTEND;
    v_dc.EXTEND;
END;
/
```

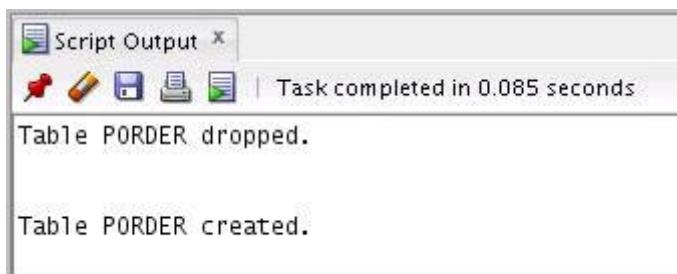
Solution 3-1: Analyzing Collections

In this practice, you create a nested table collection and use PL/SQL code to manipulate the collection.

Use the OE connection to complete the practice.

1. Examine the following definitions. Run task 1 of the `lab_03.sql` script to create these objects.

```
CREATE TYPE typ_item AS OBJECT --create object
  (prodid  NUMBER(5),
   price    NUMBER(7,2) )
/
CREATE TYPE typ_item_nst -- define nested table type
  AS TABLE OF typ_item
/
CREATE TABLE pOrder ( -- create database table
  ordid      NUMBER(5),
  supplier   NUMBER(5),
  requester  NUMBER(4),
  ordered     DATE,
  items       typ_item_nst)
  NESTED TABLE items STORE AS item_stor_tab
/
```



Note: The `CREATE TYPE` commands can return an exception `ORA-00955` if the types already exist in the database. The `drop` command will throw an error if the `porder` table does not exist.

2. The following code generates an error. Run task 2 of the lab_03.sql script to generate and view the error.

```

BEGIN
    -- Insert an order
    INSERT INTO pOrder
        (ordid, supplier, requester, ordered, items)
        VALUES (1000, 12345, 9876, SYSDATE, NULL);
    -- insert the items for the order created
    INSERT INTO TABLE (SELECT items
                        FROM   pOrder
                        WHERE  ordid = 1000)
        VALUES(typ_item(99, 129.00));
END;
/

```

Error report -
ORA-22908: reference to NULL table value
ORA-06512: at line 7
22908. 00000 - "reference to NULL table value"
*Cause: The evaluation of the THE subquery or nested table column resulted in a NULL value implying a NULL table instance. The THE subquery or nested table column must identify a single non-NUL table instance.
>Action: Ensure that the evaluation of the THE subquery or nested table column results in a single non-null table instance. If happening in the context of an insert statement where the THE subquery is the target of an insert, then ensure that an empty nested table instance is created by updating the nested table column of the parent table's row specifying an empty nested table constructor.

- a. Why does the error occur?

The error “ORA-22908: reference to NULL table value” results from setting the table columns to NULL.

- b. How can you fix the error?

You should always use a nested table’s default constructor to initialize it:

```

TRUNCATE TABLE pOrder;

-- A better approach is to avoid setting the table
-- column to NULL, and instead, use a nested table's
-- default constructor to initialize
BEGIN
    -- Insert an order
    INSERT INTO pOrder
        (ordid, supplier, requester, ordered, items)
        VALUES (1000, 12345, 9876, SYSDATE,
                typ_item_nst(typ_item(99, 129.00)));

```

```

END;
/
BEGIN
  -- Insert an order
  INSERT INTO pOrder
    (ordid, supplier, requester, ordered, items)
    VALUES (1000, 12345, 9876, SYSDATE, null);
  -- Once the nested table is set to null, use the update
  -- update statement
  UPDATE pOrder
    SET items = typ_item_nst(typ_item(99, 129.00))
    WHERE ordid = 1000;
END;
/

```

Script Output X

Table PORDER truncated.

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Alternatively, run the code from task 2 of `sol_03.sql`.

- Examine the following code. This code produces an error. Which line causes the error, and how do you fix it?

Note: You can run task 3 of the `lab_03.sql` script to view the error output.

```

DECLARE
  TYPE credit_card_typ
  IS VARRAY(100) OF VARCHAR2(30);

  v_mc    credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
  v_visa  credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
  v_am    credit_card_typ;
  v_disc  credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
  v_dc    credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();

BEGIN
  v_mc.EXTEND;
  v_visa.EXTEND;
  v_am.EXTEND;

```

```
v_disc.EXTEND;
v_dc.EXTEND;
END;
/
```

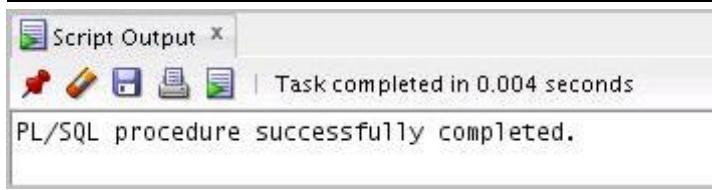
```
Error report -
ORA-06531: Reference to uninitialized collection
ORA-06512: at line 14
06531. 00000 - "Reference to uninitialized collection"
*Cause: An element or member function of a nested table or varray
        was referenced (where an initialized collection is needed)
        without the collection having been initialized.
*Action: Initialize the collection with an appropriate constructor
        or whole-object assignment.
```

**This causes an ORA-06531: Reference to uninitialized collection error.
To fix it, initialize the `v_am` variable by using the same technique as the others:**

```
DECLARE
    TYPE credit_card_typ
    IS VARRAY(100) OF VARCHAR2(30);

    v_mc    credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
    v_visa  credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
    v_am    credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
    v_disc  credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();
    v_dc    credit_card_typ := credit_card_typ();

BEGIN
    v_mc.EXTEND;
    v_visa.EXTEND;
    v_am.EXTEND;
    v_disc.EXTEND;
    v_dc.EXTEND;
END;
/
```



Alternatively, run the code from task 3 of `sol_03.sql`.

Practices for Lesson 4: Using Collections

Practices for Lesson 4: Overview

In this practice, you write a PL/SQL package to manipulate the collection.
Use the OE schema for this practice.

Practice 4-1: Using Collections

Overview

In this practice, you use PL/SQL code to manipulate the collection.

Assumptions

Practice 03 is completed.

Task

Implement a nested table column in the CUSTOMERS table and write PL/SQL code to manipulate the nested table.

Use the OE schema to complete the tasks.

1. Create a nested table to hold credit card information.

- a. Create an object type called typ_cr_card. It should have the following specification:

```
card_type  VARCHAR2 (25)
card_num    NUMBER
```

- b. Create a nested table type called typ_cr_card_nst, which is a table of typ_cr_card.

- c. Add a column called credit_cards to the CUSTOMERS table. Make this column a nested table of type typ_cr_card_nst. You can use the following syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE customers ADD
(credit_cards typ_cr_card_nst)
  NESTED TABLE credit_cards STORE AS c_c_store_tab;
```

2. Create a PL/SQL package that manipulates the credit_cards column in the CUSTOMERS table.

- a. Open the lab_04.sql file. It contains the package specification and part of the package body. Examine task 2 of lab_04.sql.

- b. Complete the following code so that the package:

- Inserts credit card information (the credit card name and number for a specific customer)
- Displays credit card information in an unnested format

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE credit_card_pkg
IS
  PROCEDURE update_card_info
    (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no
     VARCHAR2);
  PROCEDURE display_card_info
    (p_cust_id NUMBER);
END credit_card_pkg; -- package spec
/
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY credit_card_pkg
```

```

IS

PROCEDURE update_card_info
  (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no VARCHAR2)
IS
  v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
  i INTEGER;
BEGIN
  SELECT credit_cards
    INTO v_card_info
    FROM customers
   WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
  IF v_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN
    -- cards exist, add more
    -- fill in code here
    ELSE -- no cards for this customer, construct one
    -- fill in code here
  END IF;
END update_card_info;

PROCEDURE display_card_info
  (p_cust_id NUMBER)
IS
  v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
  i INTEGER;
BEGIN
  SELECT credit_cards
    INTO v_card_info
    FROM customers
   WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
  -- fill in code here to display the nested table
  -- contents
END display_card_info;
END credit_card_pkg; -- package body
/

```

3. Test your package with the following statements and compare the output:

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.display_card_info(120);

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.update_card_info(120, 'Visa', 11111111);

SELECT c1.*
FROM   customers, TABLE(customers.credit_cards) c1
WHERE  customer_id = 120;

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.display_card_info(120);

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.update_card_info(120, 'MC', 2323232323);

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.update_card_info (120, 'DC', 4444444);

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.display_card_info(120);
```

Alternatively, you can execute the code of task 3 from lab_04.sql.

4. Write a SELECT statement against the `credit_cards` column to unnest the data. Use the TABLE expression. Use SQL*Plus.

Write a query using TABLE expression so that the results look like the following:

```
-- Use the table expression so that the result is:
CUSTOMER_ID CUST_LAST_NAME CARD_TYPE          CARD_NUM
-----  -----
120 Higgins      Visa           11111111
120 Higgins      MC            2323232323
120 Higgins      DC            4444444
```

Alternatively, you can execute the code of task 4 from lab_04.sql.

Solution 4-1: Using Collections

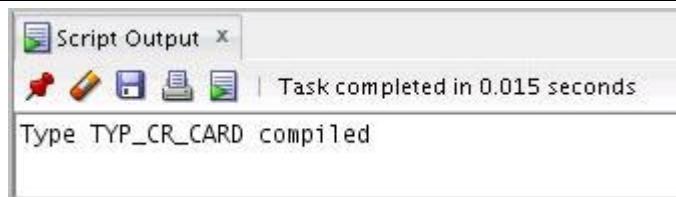
In this practice, you use PL/SQL code to manipulate the collection.

1. Create a nested table to hold credit card information.

- a. Create an object type called `typ_cr_card`. It should have the following specification:

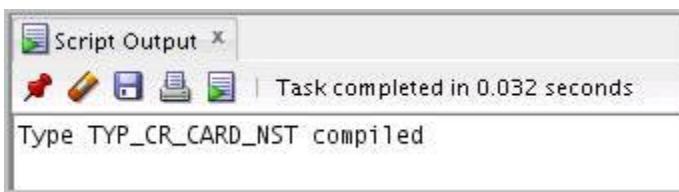
```
card_type VARCHAR2(25)
card_num NUMBER
```

```
CREATE TYPE typ_cr_card AS OBJECT --create object
(card_type VARCHAR2(25),
card_num NUMBER);
/
```



- b. Create a nested table type called `typ_cr_card_nst`, which is a table of `typ_cr_card`.

```
CREATE TYPE typ_cr_card_nst -- define nested table type
AS TABLE OF typ_cr_card;
/
```



- c. Add a column called `credit_cards` to the `CUSTOMERS` table.

Make this column a nested table of type `typ_cr_card_nst`.

You can use the following syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE customers ADD
credit_cards typ_cr_card_nst
NESTED TABLE credit_cards STORE AS c_store_tab;
```

Alternatively, you can run the solution of 1_a, 1_b, and 1_c from `sol_04.sql`.

2. Create a PL/SQL package that manipulates the `credit_cards` column in the `CUSTOMERS` table.
- Open the `lab_04.sql` file. It contains the package specification and part of the package body.
 - Here is the complete code of the package that inserts the credit card information and displays the credit card information in an unnested format

```

CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE credit_card_pkg
IS
    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no
        VARCHAR2);

    PROCEDURE display_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER);
END credit_card_pkg; -- package spec
/


CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY credit_card_pkg
IS

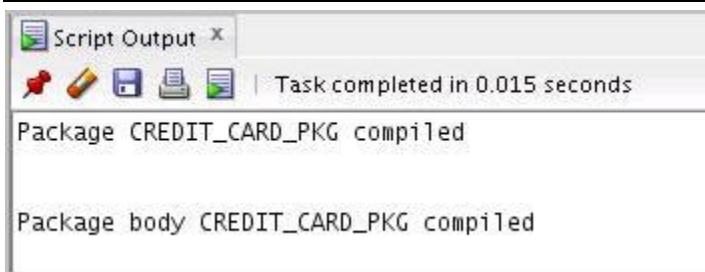
    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no VARCHAR2)
    IS
        v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
        i INTEGER;
    BEGIN
        SELECT credit_cards
            INTO v_card_info
            FROM customers
            WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
        IF v_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN -- cards exist, add more
            i := v_card_info.LAST;
            v_card_info.EXTEND(1);
            v_card_info(i+1) := typ_cr_card(p_card_type, p_card_no);
            UPDATE customers
                SET credit_cards = v_card_info
                WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
        ELSE -- no cards for this customer yet, construct one
            UPDATE customers
                SET credit_cards = typ_cr_card_nst
                    (typ_cr_card(p_card_type, p_card_no))
                WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
        END IF;
    
```

```

END update_card_info;

PROCEDURE display_card_info
    (p_cust_id NUMBER)
IS
    v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
    i INTEGER;
BEGIN
    SELECT credit_cards
        INTO v_card_info
        FROM customers
        WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
    IF v_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN
        FOR idx IN v_card_info.FIRST..v_card_info.LAST LOOP
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT('Card Type: ' ||
v_card_info(idx).card_type || ' ');
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('/ Card No: ' ||
v_card_info(idx).card_num );
        END LOOP;
    ELSE
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Customer has no credit cards.');
    END IF;
END display_card_info;
END credit_card_pkg; -- package body
/

```



Alternatively, you can execute the solution of task 2 from `sol_04.sql`.

3. Test your package with the following statements and compare the output:

```
EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.display_card_info(120)
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Customer has no credit cards.

```
EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.update_card_info  
(120, 'Visa', 11111111)
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```
SELECT c1.*  
FROM   customers, TABLE(customers.credit_cards) c1  
WHERE  customer_id = 120;
```

CARD_TYPE	CARD_NUM
Visa	11111111

```
EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.display_card_info(120)
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Card Type: Visa / Card No: 11111111

```
EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.update_card_info  
(120, 'MC', 2323232323)
```

```
EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.update_card_info  
(120, 'DC', 4444444)
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```
EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.display_card_info(120)
```

```
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
```

```
Card Type: Visa / Card No: 11111111
Card Type: MC / Card No: 2323232323
Card Type: DC / Card No: 44444444
```

Alternatively, you can execute the code of task 3 from lab_04.sql.

4. Write a SELECT statement against the credit_cards column to unnest the data using TABLE expression. Use SQL*Plus.

The results of the query should look like the following:

```
-- Use the table expression so that the result is:
CUSTOMER_ID CUST_LAST_NAME CARD_TYPE CARD_NUM
-----
120 Higgins Visa 11111111
120 Higgins MC 2323232323
120 Higgins DC 44444444
```

```
SELECT c1.customer_id, c1.cust_last_name, c2.*
FROM   customers c1, TABLE(c1.credit_cards) c2
WHERE  customer_id = 120;
```

Alternatively, you can execute the code of task 4 from lab_04.sql.

Practices for Lesson 5: Handling Large Objects

Practices for Lesson 5: Overview

This practice covers the following topics:

- Creating object types of the CLOB and BLOB data types
- Creating a table with the LOB data types as columns
- Using the DBMS_LOB package to populate and interact with the LOB data
- Setting up the environment for LOBs

Practice 5-1: Working with LOBS

Overview

In this practice, you create a table with both BLOB and CLOB columns. Then, you use the DBMS_LOB package to populate the table and manipulate the data.

Use the OE connection to complete this practice.

Task

1. Create a table called PERSONNEL. The table should contain the following attributes and data types:

Column Name	Data Type	Length
ID	NUMBER	6
LAST_NAME	VARCHAR2	35
REVIEW	CLOB	N/A
PICTURE	BLOB	N/A

2. Insert two rows into the PERSONNEL table, one each for employee 2034 (whose last name is Allen) and employee 2035 (whose last name is Bond). Use the empty function for the CLOB, and provide NULL as the value for the BLOB.
3. Examine and execute the /home/oracle/labs/labs/lab_05.sql script. The script creates a table named REVIEW_TABLE. This table contains the annual review information for each employee. The script also contains two statements to insert review details about two employees.
4. Update the PERSONNEL table.
 - a. Populate the CLOB for the first row by using this subquery in an UPDATE statement:

```
SELECT ann_review
  FROM review_table
 WHERE employee_id = 2034;
```
 - b. Populate the CLOB for the second row by using PL/SQL and the DBMS_LOB package. Use the following SELECT statement to provide a value for the LOB locator:

```
SELECT ann_review
  FROM review_table
 WHERE employee_id = 2035;
```
5. Create a procedure that adds a locator to a binary file in the PICTURE column of the PRODUCT_INFORMATION table. The binary file is a picture of the product. The image files are named after the product IDs. You must load an image file locator into all rows in the Printers category (CATEGORY_ID = 12) in the PRODUCT_INFORMATION table.
 - a. Using the PDB1-sys connection (sys user in PDB1), create a DIRECTORY object called PRODUCT_PIC that references the location of the binary. These files are available in the /home/oracle/labs/DATA_FILES/PRODUCT_PIC folder.

- b. Add the image column to the `PRODUCT_INFORMATION` table.
- c. Create a PL/SQL procedure called `load_product_image` that uses `DBMS_LOB.FILEEXISTS` to test whether the product picture file exists. If the file exists, set the `BFILE` locator for the file in the `PICTURE` column; otherwise, display a message that the file does not exist. Use the `DBMS_OUTPUT` package to report file size information about each image associated with the `PICTURE` column.
- d. Invoke the procedure by passing the name of the `PRODUCT_PIC` directory object as a string literal parameter value.
- e. Check the LOB space usage of the `PRODUCT_INFORMATION` table. Use the `/home/oracle/labs/labs/lab_05.sql` file to create the procedure and execute it.

Solution 5-1: Working with LOBS

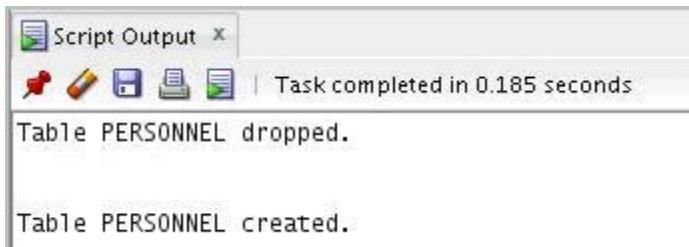
In this practice, you create a table with both BLOB and CLOB columns. Then you use the DBMS_LOB package to populate the table and manipulate the data.

Use your OE connection.

1. Create a table called PERSONNEL. The table should contain the following attributes and data types:

Column Name	Data Type	Length
ID	NUMBER	6
LAST_NAME	VARCHAR2	35
REVIEW	CLOB	N/A
PICTURE	BLOB	N/A

```
DROP TABLE personnel
/
CREATE TABLE personnel
(id NUMBER(6) constraint personnel_id_pk PRIMARY KEY,
 last_name VARCHAR2(35),
 review CLOB,
 picture BLOB);
```



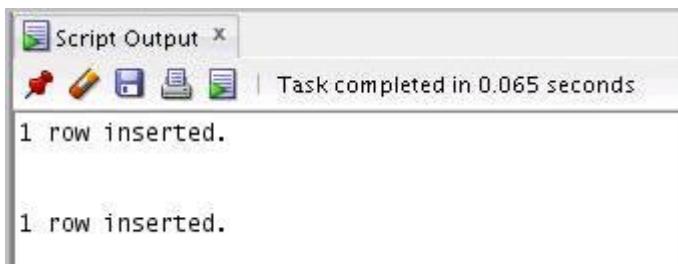
The drop command would return an error if the PERSONNEL table is not already created.

Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 1 from sol_05.sql.

2. Insert two rows into the PERSONNEL table, one each for employee 2034 (whose last name is Allen) and employee 2035 (whose last name is Bond). Use the empty function for the CLOB, and provide NULL as the value for the BLOB.

```
INSERT INTO personnel
VALUES (2034, 'Allen', empty_clob(), NULL);

INSERT INTO personnel
VALUES (2035, 'Bond', empty_clob(), NULL);
```



The screenshot shows the 'Script Output' window from Oracle SQL Developer. The title bar says 'Script Output X'. Below it are icons for refresh, redo, undo, and other operations. The status bar at the bottom says 'Task completed in 0.065 seconds'. The main area contains two lines of text: '1 row inserted.' followed by another '1 row inserted.'

Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 2 from `sol_05.sql`.

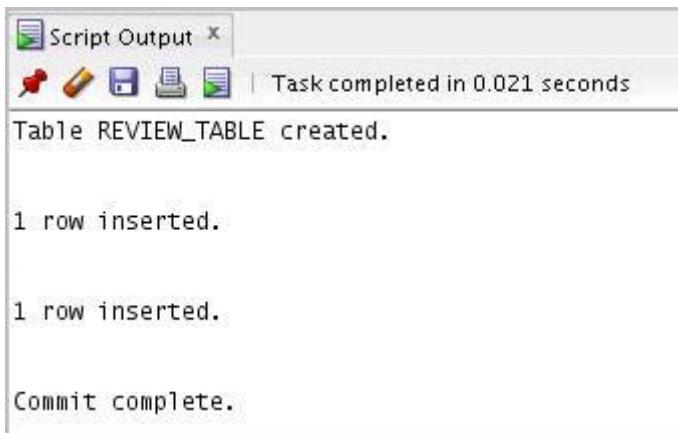
3. Examine and execute task 3 located in the `/home/oracle/labs/labs/lab_05.sql` script. The script creates a table named `REVIEW_TABLE`. This table contains annual review information for each employee. The script also contains two statements to insert review details for two employees.

```
CREATE TABLE review_table (
    employee_id number,
    ann_review  VARCHAR2(2000));

INSERT INTO review_table
VALUES (2034,
        'Very good performance this year. ||
        'Recommended to increase salary by $500');

INSERT INTO review_table
VALUES (2035,
        'Excellent performance this year. ||
        'Recommended to increase salary by $1000');

COMMIT;
```



The screenshot shows the 'Script Output' window from Oracle SQL Developer. The title bar says 'Script Output X'. Below it are icons for refresh, redo, undo, and other operations. The status bar at the bottom says 'Task completed in 0.021 seconds'. The main area contains several lines of text: 'Table REVIEW_TABLE created.', '1 row inserted.', '1 row inserted.', and 'Commit complete.'

4. Update the PERSONNEL table.

- a. Populate the CLOB for the first row by using the following subquery in an UPDATE statement:

```
SELECT ann_review  
FROM review_table  
WHERE employee_id = 2034;
```

```
UPDATE personnel  
SET review = (SELECT ann_review  
               FROM review_table  
              WHERE employee_id = 2034)  
WHERE last_name = 'Allen';
```

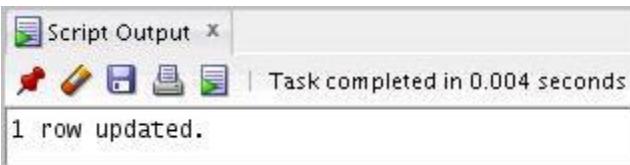
The screenshot shows two panes in Oracle SQL Developer. The top pane is titled "Query Result" and contains the output of the previous UPDATE statement. It shows a single row in the "ANN REVIEW" table with the value "1 Very good performance this year. Recommended to increase salary by \$500". The bottom pane is titled "Script Output" and shows the message "1 row updated." indicating the success of the update operation.

- b. Populate the CLOB for the second row by using PL/SQL and the DBMS_LOB package. Use the following SELECT statement to provide a value for the LOB locator:

```
SELECT ann_review  
FROM review_table  
WHERE employee_id = 2035;
```

```
UPDATE personnel  
SET review = (SELECT ann_review  
               FROM review_table  
              WHERE employee_id = 2035)  
WHERE last_name = 'Bond';
```

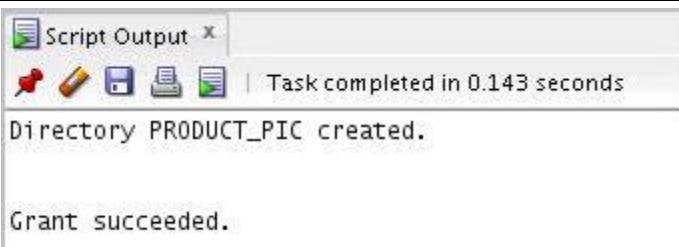
The screenshot shows the "Query Result" pane in Oracle SQL Developer. It displays the output of the previous UPDATE statement. A single row in the "ANN REVIEW" table is shown with the value "1 Excellent performance this year. Recommended to increase salary by \$1000".



Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 4_a, 4_b from sol_06.sql.

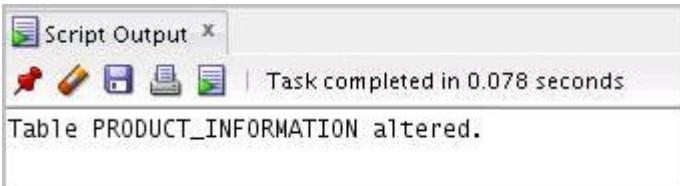
5. Create a procedure that adds a locator to a binary file to the PICTURE column of the PRODUCT_INFORMATION table. The binary file is a picture of the product. The image files are named after the product IDs. You must load an image file locator into all rows in the Printers category (CATEGORY_ID = 12) in the PRODUCT_INFORMATION table.
 - a. Create a DIRECTORY object called PRODUCT_PICTURE that references the location of the binary file. These files are available in the /home/oracle/labs/DATA_FILES/PRODUCT_PICTURE folder.

```
--Execute as SYS user
CREATE OR REPLACE DIRECTORY product_picture AS
'/home/oracle/labs/DATA_FILES/PRODUCT_PICTURE';
GRANT READ on DIRECTORY product_picture TO OE;
```



- b. Add the image column to the PRODUCT_INFORMATION table by using:

```
ALTER TABLE product_information ADD (picture BFILE);
```



- c. Create a PL/SQL procedure called load_product_image that uses DBMS_LOB.FILEEXISTS to test whether the product picture file exists. If the file exists, set the BFILE locator for the file in the PICTURE column; otherwise, display a message that the file does not exist. Use the DBMS_OUTPUT package to report file size information for each image associated with the PICTURE column.

(Alternatively, use the code snippet contained in task 5c of the lab_05.sql file.)

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE load_product_image
(p_dir IN VARCHAR2)
IS
  v_file          BFILE;
  v_filename      VARCHAR2(40);
  v_rec_number    NUMBER;
  v_file_exists   BOOLEAN;
```

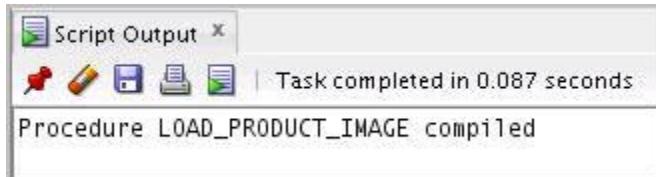
```

CURSOR product_csr IS
  SELECT product_id
  FROM product_information
  WHERE category_id = 12
  FOR UPDATE;
BEGIN
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('LOADING LOCATORS TO IMAGES...');

  FOR rec IN product_csr
  LOOP
    v_filename := rec.product_id || '.gif';
    v_file := BFILENAME(p_dir, v_filename);
    v_file_exists := (DBMS_LOB.FILEEXISTS(v_file) = 1);
    IF v_file_exists THEN
      DBMS_LOB.FILEOPEN(v_file);
      UPDATE product_information
        SET picture = v_file
        WHERE CURRENT OF product_csr;
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Set Locator to file: ' || v_filename
        || ' Size: ' || DBMS_LOB.GETLENGTH(v_file));
      DBMS_LOB.FILECLOSE(v_file);
      v_rec_number := product_csr%ROWCOUNT;
    ELSE
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('File ' || v_filename ||
        ' does not exist');
    END IF;
  END LOOP;
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('TOTAL FILES UPDATED: ' ||
    v_rec_number);

  EXCEPTION
    WHEN OTHERS THEN
      DBMS_LOB.FILECLOSE(v_file);
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Error: ' || to_char(SQLCODE) ||
        SQLERRM);
  END load_product_image;
/

```



- d. Invoke the procedure by passing the name of the PRODUCT_PICTURE directory object as a string literal parameter value.

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
EXECUTE load_product_image('PRODUCT_PICTURE');
```

```
Script Output X
Task completed in 0.042 seconds
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

LOADING LOCATORS TO IMAGES...
Set Locator to file: 1782.gif Size: 7888
Set Locator to file: 2430.gif Size: 7462
Set Locator to file: 1792.gif Size: 7462
Set Locator to file: 1791.gif Size: 7462
Set Locator to file: 2302.gif Size: 7462
Set Locator to file: 2453.gif Size: 9587
Set Locator to file: 1797.gif Size: 7888
Set Locator to file: 2459.gif Size: 9587
Set Locator to file: 3127.gif Size: 9587
TOTAL FILES UPDATED: 9
```

Alternatively, you can run the code for the solutions 5_a, 5_b, 5_c, 5_d from sol_05.sql.

- e. Check the LOB space usage of the PRODUCT_INFORMATION table. Use the /home/oracle/labs/labs/lab_05.sql file to create the procedure and execute it.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE check_space
IS
    l_fs1_bytes NUMBER;
    l_fs2_bytes NUMBER;
    l_fs3_bytes NUMBER;
    l_fs4_bytes NUMBER;
    l_fs1_blocks NUMBER;
    l_fs2_blocks NUMBER;
    l_fs3_blocks NUMBER;
    l_fs4_blocks NUMBER;
    l_full_bytes NUMBER;
    l_full_blocks NUMBER;
    l_unformatted_bytes NUMBER;
    l_unformatted_blocks NUMBER;
BEGIN
    DBMS_SPACE.SPACE_USAGE (
        segment_owner      => 'OE',
        segment_name       => 'PRODUCT_INFORMATION',
        segment_type       => 'TABLE',
```

```

        fs1_bytes      => l_fs1_bytes,
        fs1_blocks     => l_fs1_blocks,
        fs2_bytes      => l_fs2_bytes,
        fs2_blocks     => l_fs2_blocks,
        fs3_bytes      => l_fs3_bytes,
        fs3_blocks     => l_fs3_blocks,
        fs4_bytes      => l_fs4_bytes,
        fs4_blocks     => l_fs4_blocks,
        full_bytes     => l_full_bytes,
        full_blocks    => l_full_blocks,
        unformatted_blocks => l_unformatted_blocks,
        unformatted_bytes  => l_unformatted_bytes
    );
DBMS_OUTPUT.ENABLE;
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(' FS1 Blocks = '||l_fs1_blocks||'
                     Bytes = '||l_fs1_bytes);
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(' FS2 Blocks = '||l_fs2_blocks||'
                     Bytes = '||l_fs2_bytes);
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(' FS3 Blocks = '||l_fs3_blocks||'
                     Bytes = '||l_fs3_bytes);
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(' FS4 Blocks = '||l_fs4_blocks||'
                     Bytes = '||l_fs4_bytes);
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Full Blocks = '||l_full_blocks||'
                     Bytes = '||l_full_bytes);
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('=====');
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Total Blocks =
                    '||to_char(l_fs1_blocks + l_fs2_blocks +
                     l_fs3_blocks + l_fs4_blocks + l_full_blocks)||  ||
                     Total Bytes = '|| to_char(l_fs1_bytes + l_fs2_bytes
                     + l_fs3_bytes + l_fs4_bytes + l_full_bytes));
END;
/

```

```

set serveroutput on
execute check_space;

```

Script Output X

| Task completed in 0.009 seconds

```
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

FS1 Blocks = 0
Bytes = 0
FS2 Blocks = 0
Bytes = 0
FS3 Blocks = 0
Bytes = 0
FS4 Blocks = 4
Bytes = 32768
Full Blocks = 9
Bytes = 73728
=====
Total Blocks =
13 ||
Total Bytes = 106496
```

Practices for Lesson 6: JSON Data in Database

Practices for Lesson 6: Overview

This practice covers the following topics:

- Creating JSON object column types in tables and inserting data in it
- Generating JSON data from data in tables

Practice 6-1: JSON Data in Tables

Overview

In this practice, you create a table with JSON columns and set constraints on the column. Insert data into the JSON data column.

Use the OE connection to complete this practice.

Task

- a. Create a table called `SALES_REPORT`. The table should contain the following attributes and data types:

Column Name	Data Type	Length
<code>SALES REP ID</code>	NUMBER	6
<code>SALES REP FNAME</code>	VARCHAR2	20
<code>SALES REP LNAME</code>	VARCHAR2	20
<code>ORDER DETAILS</code>	VARCHAR2	4000

This table contains the information of all the sales representatives who are handling various orders as indicated in table `ORDERS`.

Note: The `SALES REP ID` column in the `ORDERS` table references the `EMPLOYEES` table in the `HR` schema.

- b. Define `IS_JSON` constraint on the `ORDER DETAILS` column.
- c. Populate the `SALES REPORT` table with first name and last name data of the sales representatives referred to in the `ORDERS` table.
- d. Update the `SALES REPORT` table, to populate the `ORDER DETAILS` column. Insert a group of JSON objects into the column, where each JSON object has details of the order handled by the sales representative. The JSON object should have information on `order_id` with the corresponding `customer_id` and `order` value.

Practice 6-2: JSON Data in PL/SQL Blocks

Create a procedure SALES_DATA, which initializes a nested JSON object with properties sales_rep_fname, sales_rep_lname, and order_details. order_details is a JSON object with properties customer_id and order_value. Access the order_value value of the JSON object by using the get_number method and display it to the output.

Solution 6-1: JSON Data in Tables

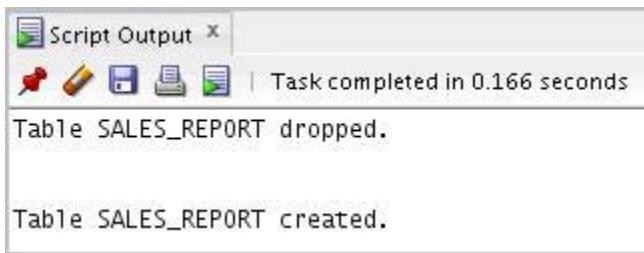
In this practice, you create a table with both BLOB and CLOB columns. Then you use the DBMS_LOB package to populate the table and manipulate the data.

Use your OE connection.

- a. Create a table called SALES_REPORT. The table should contain the following attributes and data types:

Column Name	Data Type	Length
SALES REP ID	NUMBER	6
SALES REP FNAME	VARCHAR2	20
SALES REP LNAME	VARCHAR2	20
ORDER DETAILS	VARCHAR2	4000

```
DROP TABLE sales_report  
/  
CREATE TABLE sales_report(sales_rep_id number(6,0) PRIMARY  
KEY,sales_rep_fname VARCHAR2(20) , sales_rep_lname VARCHAR2(20),  
order_details VARCHAR2(4000));
```

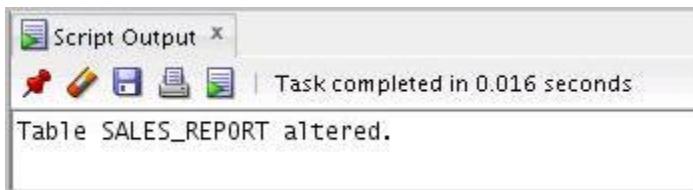


The drop command would return an error if the SALES_REPORT table is not already created.

Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 1 from sol_06.sql.

- b. Define IS_JSON constraint on the ORDER_DETAILS column.

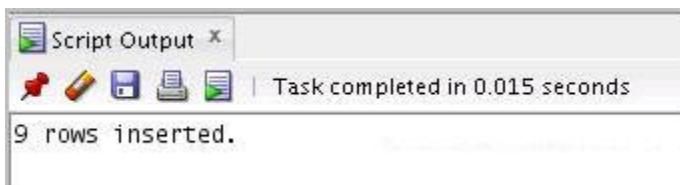
```
ALTER TABLE sales_report ADD CONSTRAINT ensure_json CHECK  
(order_details IS JSON);
```



Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 2 from sol_06.sql.

- c. Populate the SALES_REPORT table with first name and last name data of the sales representatives referred to in the ORDERS table.

```
INSERT INTO sales_report(sales_rep_id, sales_rep_fname,
sales_rep_lname)
SELECT DISTINCT o.sales_rep_id, emp.first_name, emp.last_name
FROM hr.employees emp, oe.orders o
WHERE emp.employee_id = o.sales_rep_id;
```



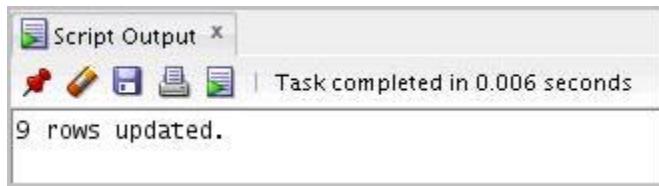
- d. Update the SALES_REPORT table to populate the ORDER_DETAILS column. Insert a group of JSON objects into the column, where each JSON object has details of the order handled by the sales representative. The JSON object should have information on order_id with the corresponding customer_id and order value.

```
SELECT * FROM sales_report;
```

SALES REP ID	SALES REP FNAME	SALES REP LNAME	ORDER DETAILS
1	155 Oliver	Tuvault	(null)
2	156 Janette	King	(null)
3	163 Danielle	Greene	(null)
4	153 Christopher	Olsen	(null)
5	161 Sarath	Sewall	(null)
6	160 Louise	Doran	(null)
7	154 Nanette	Cambrault	(null)
8	158 Allan	McEwen	(null)
9	159 Lindsey	Smith	(null)

```
UPDATE sales_report sr
SET order_details = (SELECT JSON_ARRAYAGG(JSON_OBJECT(
    'order_id' VALUE o.order_id,
    'customer_id' VALUE o.customer_id,
    'order_value' VALUE o.order_total))
FROM oe.orders o
WHERE o.sales_rep_id = sr.sales_rep_id
```

```
group by sales_rep_id);  
commit;
```



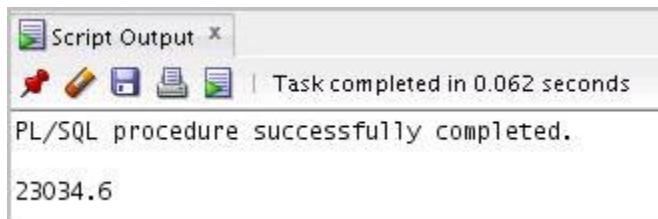
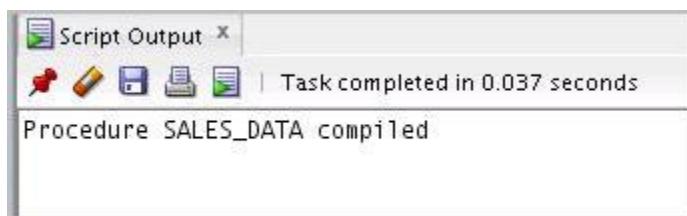
Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 4_a, 4_b from `sol_06.sql`.

Solution 6-2: JSON Data in PL/SQL Blocks

Create a procedure SALES_DATA, which initializes a nested JSON object with properties sales_rep_fname, sales_rep_lname, and order_details. order_details is a JSON object with properties customer_id and order_value. Access the order_value value of the JSON object by using the get_number method and display it to the output. If you would rather use the solution file, ensure that the create statement and the execute statement are executed as individual blocks.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE sales_data AS
  input_data JSON_OBJECT_T;
  ord_det JSON_OBJECT_T;
  o_val number;
BEGIN
  input_data := new JSON_OBJECT_T('{"sales_rep_fname" : "Janette",
                                  "sales_rep_lname" : "King",
                                  "order_details" : {
"customer_id" : "106","order_value" : "23034.6"} }');

  ord_det := input_data.get_object('order_details');
  o_val := ord_det.get_number('order_value');
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(o_val);
END sales_data;
/
EXECUTE sales_data;
/
```



Practices for Lesson 7:
Advanced Interface Methods

Practices for Lesson 7: Overview

In this practice, you write two PL/SQL programs: one program calls an external C routine, and the other calls a Java routine.

Practice 7-1: Using Advanced Interface Methods

Overview

In this practice, you will execute programs to interact with C routines and Java code.

Use the OE connection.

Task

An external C routine definition is created for you. The .c file is stored in the /home/oracle/labs/labs directory. This function returns the tax amount based on the total sales figure that is passed to the function as a parameter. The .c file is named calc_tax.c. The function is defined as:

```
#include <ctype.h>
int calc_tax(int n)
{
    int tax;
    tax = (n*8)/100;
    return(tax);

}
```

1. A shared library file called calc_tax.so was created for you. Copy the file from the /home/oracle/labs/labs directory into your /u01/app/oracle/product/19.3.0/dbhome_1/bin directory.
2. Connect to the sys connection, and create the alias library object. Name the library object c_code and define its path as:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE LIBRARY c_code
AS '/u01/app/oracle/product/19.3.0/dbhome_1/bin/calc_tax.so';
/
```

3. Grant the execute privilege on the library to the OE user by executing the following command:

```
GRANT EXECUTE ON c_code TO OE;
```
4. Publish the external C routine. As the OE user, create a function named call_c. This function has one numeric parameter and it returns a binary integer. Identify the AS LANGUAGE, LIBRARY, and NAME clauses of the function.
5. Create a procedure to call the call_c function that was created in the previous step. Name this procedure C_OUTPUT. It has one numeric parameter. Include a DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE statement so that you can view the results returned from your C function.

6. Set SERVEROUTPUT ON and execute the C_OUTPUT procedure.

Calling Java from PL/SQL

A Java method definition is created for you. The method accepts a 16-digit credit card number as the argument and returns the formatted credit card number (4 digits followed by a space). The name of the .class file is FormatCreditCardNo.class. The method is defined as:

```
public class FormatCreditCardNo
{
    public static final void formatCard(String[] cardno)
    {
        int count=0, space=0;
        String oldcc=cardno[0];
        String[] newcc= {""};
        while (count<16)
        {
            newcc[0]+= oldcc.charAt(count);
            space++;
            if (space ==4)
            {   newcc[0]+=" "; space=0;   }
            count++;
        }
        cardno[0]=newcc [0];
    }
}
```

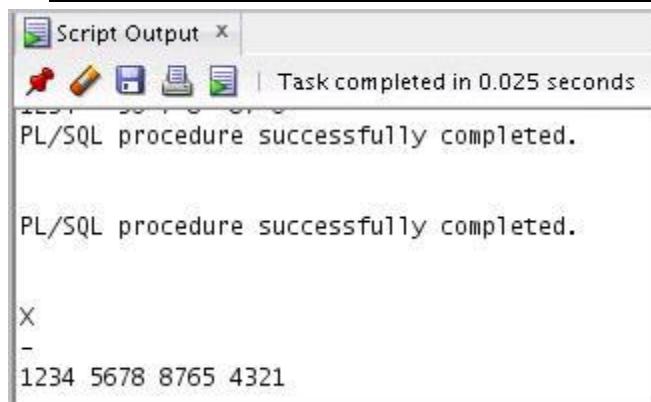
7. Load the .java source file.
8. Publish the Java class method by defining a PL/SQL procedure named CCFORMAT. This procedure accepts one IN OUT parameter.

Use the following definition for the NAME parameter:

```
NAME 'FormatCreditCardNo.formatCard(java.lang.String[])';
```

9. Execute the Java class method. Define one SQL*Plus or Oracle SQL Developer variable, initialize it, and use the EXECUTE command to execute the CCFORMAT procedure. Your output should match the PRINT output as shown here:

```
VARIABLE x VARCHAR2(20)
EXECUTE :x := '1234567887654321'
EXECUTE ccformat(:x)
PRINT x
```



The screenshot shows the 'Script Output' window in Oracle SQL Developer. The window title is 'Script Output x'. It contains the following text:
Task completed in 0.025 seconds
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
X
-
1234 5678 8765 4321

Solution 7-1: Using Advanced Interface Methods

In this practice, you will execute programs to interact with C routines and Java code.

Use the OE connection.

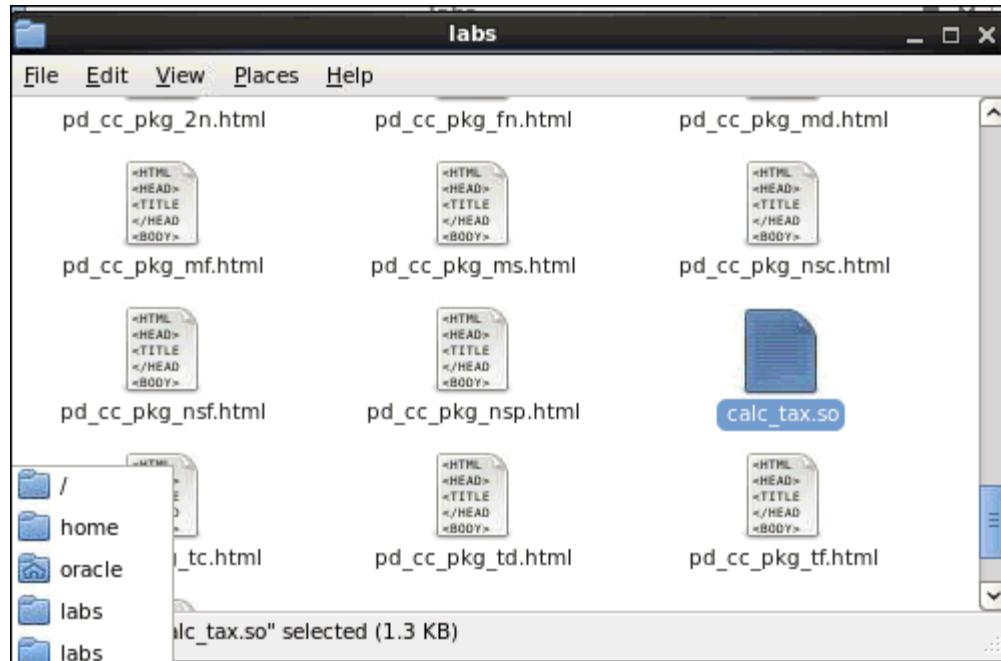
Using External C Routines

An external C routine definition is created for you. The .c file is stored in the /home/oracle/labs/labs directory. This function returns the tax amount based on the total sales figure that is passed to the function as a parameter. The .c file is named calc_tax.c. The function is defined as:

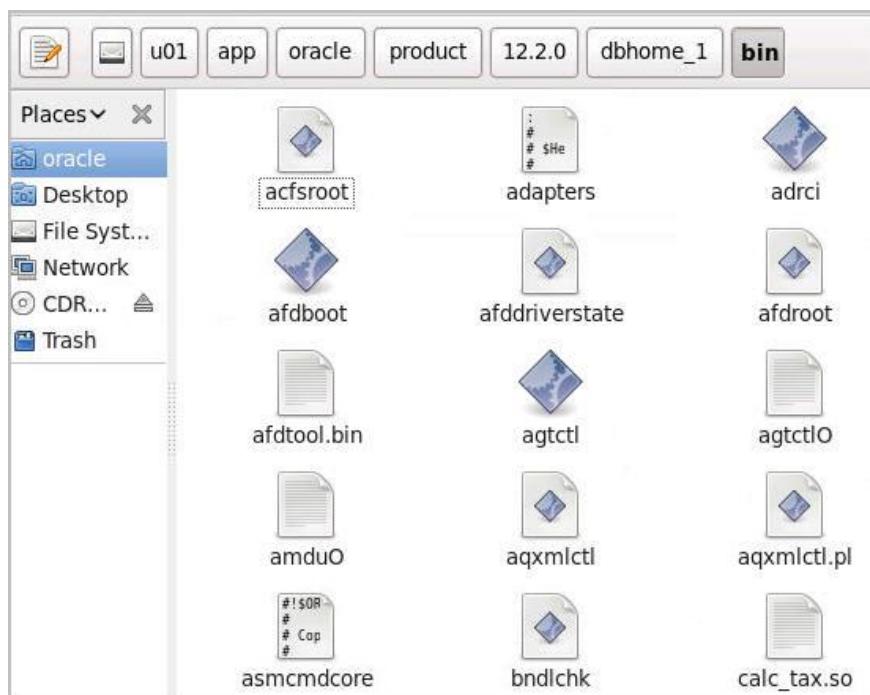
```
#include <ctype.h>
int calc_tax(int n)
{
    int tax;
    tax = (n*8)/100;
    return(tax);
}
```

1. A shared library file called calc_tax.so was created for you. Copy the file from the /home/oracle/labs/labs directory into your /u01/app/oracle/product/19.3.0/dbhome_1/bin directory.

Open the /home/oracle/labs/labs directory. Select calc_tax.so. Select Edit > Copy.

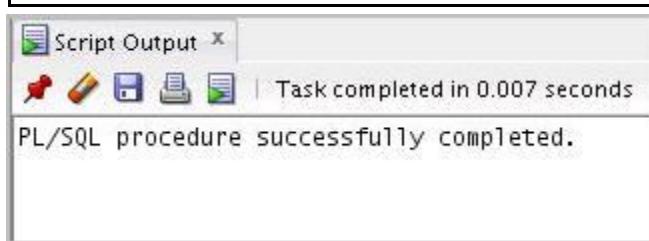


Navigate to the /u01/app/oracle/product/19.3.0/dbhome_1/bin folder. Right-click the BIN directory and select Paste from the shortcut menu.



2. Connect to the sys connection, and create the alias library object. Name the library object c_code and define its path as:

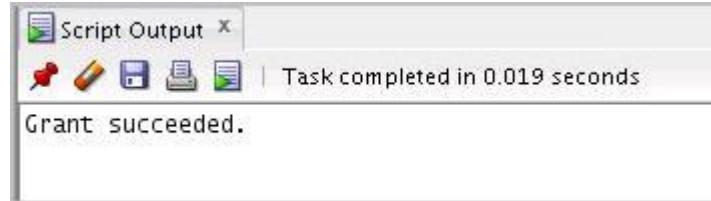
```
-- Use SYS connection
CREATE OR REPLACE LIBRARY c_code
AS '/u01/app/oracle/product/19.3.0/dbhome_1/bin/calc_tax.so';
/
```



Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 2 from sol_07.sql.

3. Grant the execute privilege on the library to the OE user by executing the following command:

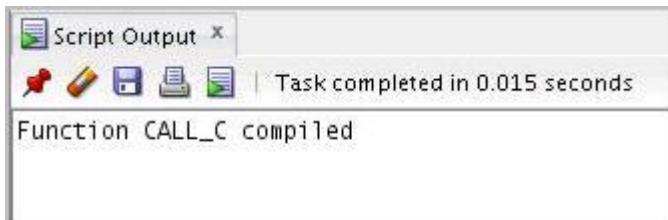
```
-- Use SYS connection
GRANT EXECUTE ON c_code TO OE;
```



Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 3 from sol_07.sql.

4. Publish the external C routine. As the OE user, create a function named `call_c`. This function has one numeric parameter and it returns a binary integer. Identify the `AS LANGUAGE`, `LIBRARY`, and `NAME` clauses of the function.

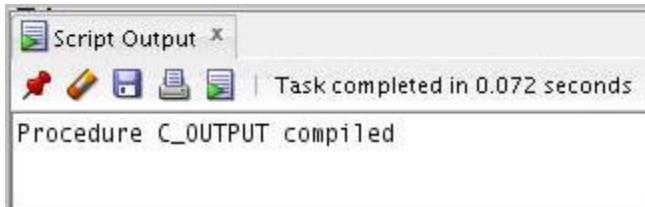
```
-- Use OE Connection
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION call_c
(x BINARY_INTEGER)
RETURN BINARY_INTEGER
AS LANGUAGE C
LIBRARY sys.c_code
NAME "calc_tax";
/
```



Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 4 from sol_07.sql.

5. Create a procedure to call the `call_c` function created in the previous step. Name this procedure `C_OUTPUT`. It has one numeric parameter. Include a `DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE` statement so that you can view the results returned from your C function.

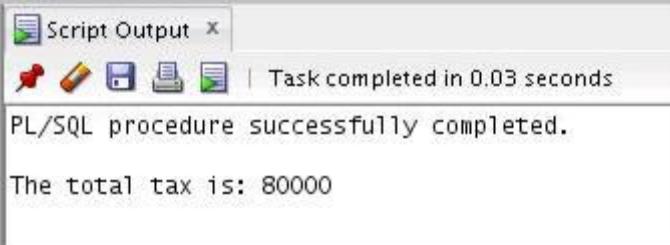
```
-- Use OE connection
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE c_output
(p_in IN BINARY_INTEGER)
IS
    i BINARY_INTEGER;
BEGIN
    i := call_c(p_in);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('The total tax is: ' || i);
END c_output;
/
```



Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 5 from sol_07.sql.

6. Set SERVEROUTPUT ON and execute the C_OUTPUT procedure.

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON  
  
EXECUTE c_output(1000000)
```



Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 6 from `sol_07.sql`.

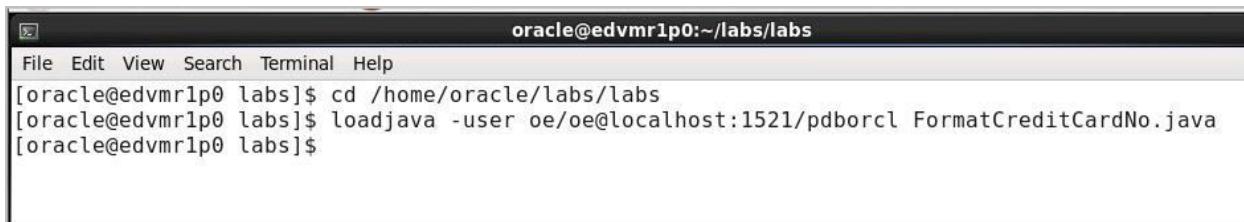
Calling Java from PL/SQL

A Java method definition is created for you. The method accepts a 16-digit credit card number as the argument and returns the formatted credit card number (four digits followed by a space). The name of the .class file is `FormatCreditCardNo.class`. The method is defined as:

```
public class FormatCreditCardNo  
{  
    public static final void formatCard(String[] cardno)  
    {  
        int count=0, space=0;  
        String oldcc=cardno[0];  
        String[] newcc= {" "};  
        while (count<16)  
        {  
            newcc[0]+= oldcc.charAt(count);  
            space++;  
            if (space ==4)  
            {   newcc[0]+=" "; space=0; }  
            count++;  
        }  
        cardno[0]=newcc [0];  
    }  
}
```

7. Load the .java source file.

You can execute the individual commands from the Linux terminal window.



```
oracle@edvmr1p0:~/labs/labs
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
[oracle@edvmr1p0 labs]$ cd /home/oracle/labs/labs
[oracle@edvmr1p0 labs]$ loadjava -user oe/oe@localhost:1521/pdborcl FormatCreditCardNo.java
[oracle@edvmr1p0 labs]$
```

Alternatively, you can copy and paste the commands in the Linux terminal for task 7 from sol_07.sql. Please ensure you use the cloud_4U password instead of oe as in this example:

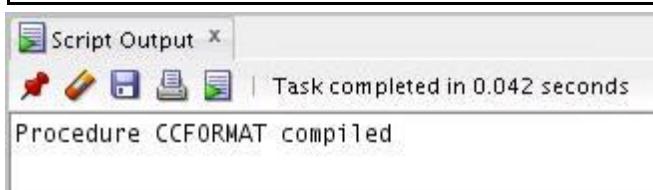
```
loadjava -user oe/cloud_4U@pdborcl FormatCreditCardNo.java
```

8. Publish the Java class method by defining a PL/SQL procedure named CCFORMAT. This procedure accepts one IN OUT parameter.

Use the following definition for the NAME parameter:

Use the OE connection.

```
NAME 'FormatCreditCardNo.formatCard(java.lang.String[])';
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE ccformat
(x IN OUT VARCHAR2)
AS LANGUAGE JAVA
NAME 'FormatCreditCardNo.formatCard(java.lang.String[])';
/
```



Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 8 from sol_07.sql.

9. Execute the Java class method. Define one SQL*Plus or Oracle SQL Developer variable, initialize it, and use the EXECUTE command to execute the CCFORMAT procedure. Your output should match the PRINT output shown here:

Use the OE connection.

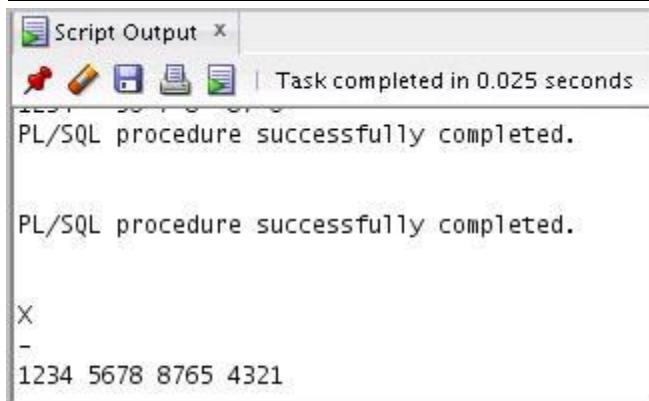
```
EXECUTE ccformat(:x);
```

```
X
-----
1234 5678 8765 4321
```

```
VARIABLE x VARCHAR2 (20)
EXECUTE :x := '1234567887654321'

EXECUTE ccformat (:x)

PRINT x
```



The screenshot shows the 'Script Output' window from Oracle SQL Developer. The title bar says 'Script Output x'. Below it is a toolbar with icons for Run, Stop, Save, and others. A status message 'Task completed in 0.025 seconds' is displayed. The main area contains two lines of text: 'PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.' followed by another 'PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.'. At the bottom, the variable 'x' is printed, showing its value as '1234 5678 8765 4321'.

```
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

X
-
1234 5678 8765 4321
```

Alternatively, you can run the solution for task 9 from `sol_07.sql`.

Practices for Lesson 8: Performance and Tuning

Practices for Lesson 8: Overview

In this practice, you measure and examine performance and tuning, and tune some of the code that you created for the OE application.

- Break a previously built subroutine into smaller executable sections.
- Pass collections into subroutines.

Add error handling for `BULK INSERT`.

Practice 8-1: Performance and Tuning

Overview

In this practice, you will tune a PL/SQL code and include bulk binds to improve performance.

Task

Writing Better Code

1. Open the `lab_08.sql` file and examine the package given in task 1. The package body is shown here:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE credit_card_pkg
IS
    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no
         VARCHAR2);

    PROCEDURE display_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER);
END credit_card_pkg; -- package spec
/

CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY credit_card_pkg
IS

    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no VARCHAR2)
    IS
        v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
        i INTEGER;
    BEGIN
        SELECT credit_cards
            INTO v_card_info
            FROM customers
            WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;

        IF v_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN -- cards exist, add more
            i := v_card_info.LAST;
            v_card_info.EXTEND(1);
            v_card_info(i+1) := typ_cr_card(p_card_type,
                                             p_card_no);
        UPDATE customers
            SET credit_cards = v_card_info
            WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
```

```

ELSE -- no cards for this customer yet, construct one
    UPDATE customers
        SET credit_cards = typ_cr_card_nst
            (typ_cr_card(p_card_type, p_card_no))
        WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
    END IF;
END update_card_info;

PROCEDURE display_card_info
    (p_cust_id NUMBER)
IS
    v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
    i INTEGER;
BEGIN
    SELECT credit_cards
        INTO v_card_info
        FROM customers
        WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
    IF v_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN
        FOR idx IN v_card_info.FIRST..v_card_info.LAST LOOP
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT('Card Type: ' ||
                v_card_info(idx).card_type || ' ');
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('/ Card No: ' ||
                v_card_info(idx).card_num );
        END LOOP;
    ELSE
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Customer has no credit cards.');
    END IF;
END display_card_info;
END credit_card_pkg; -- package body
/

```

This code needs to be improved. The following issues exist in the code:

- The local variables use the INTEGER data type.
- The same SELECT statement is run in the two procedures.
- The same IF v_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN statement is in the two procedures.

Using Efficient Data Types

2. To improve the code, make the following modifications:

- Change the local INTEGER variables to use a more efficient data type.
- Move the duplicated code into a function. The package specification for the modification is:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE credit_card_pkg
IS
    FUNCTION cust_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_info IN OUT typ_cr_card_nst )
        RETURN BOOLEAN;
    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no
         VARCHAR2);
    PROCEDURE display_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER);
END credit_card_pkg; -- package spec
/
```

- Have the function return TRUE if the customer has credit cards. The function should return FALSE if the customer does not have credit cards. Pass an uninitialized nested table into the function. The function places the credit card information into this uninitialized parameter.

3. Test your modified code with the following data:

```
EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.update_card_info
(120, 'AM EX', 55555555555)
EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.display_card_info(120)
```

4. You must modify the UPDATE_CARD_INFO procedure to return information (by using the RETURNING clause) about the credit cards being updated. Assume that this information will be used by another application developer in your team, who is writing a graphical reporting utility on customer credit cards.

- Open the lab_08.sql file. It contains the code as modified in step 2.
- Modify the code to use the RETURNING clause to find information about the rows that are affected by the UPDATE statements.
- You can test your modified code with the following procedure (contained in task 4_c of lab_08.sql):

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE test_credit_update_info
(p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no NUMBER)
IS
    v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
BEGIN
    credit_card_pkg.update_card_info
    (p_cust_id, p_card_type, p_card_no, v_card_info);
```

```
END test_credit_update_info;  
/
```

- d. Test your code with the following statements that are set in bold:

```
EXECUTE test_credit_update_info(125, 'AM EX', 123456789)
```

```
SELECT credit_cards FROM customers WHERE customer_id = 125;
```

Collecting Exception Information

5. Now you test exception handling with the `SAVE EXCEPTIONS` clause.

- a. Run the statement from task 5_a of the `lab_08.sql` file to create a test table:

```
CREATE TABLE card_table  
(accepted_cards VARCHAR2(50) NOT NULL);
```

- b. Open the `lab_08.sql` file and run task 5_b:

```
DECLARE  
    type typ_cards is table of VARCHAR2(50);  
    v_cards typ_cards := typ_cards  
    ( 'Citigroup Visa', 'Nationscard MasterCard',  
      'Federal American Express', 'Citizens Visa',  
      'International Discoverer', 'United Diners Club' );  
BEGIN  
    v_cards.Delete(3);  
    v_cards.DELETE(6);  
    FORALL j IN v_cards.first..v_cards.last  
        SAVE EXCEPTIONS  
        EXECUTE IMMEDIATE  
        'insert into card_table (accepted_cards) values (:the_card)'  
        USING v_cards(j);  
END;  
/
```

- c. Note the output:_____

- d. Open the `lab_08.sql` file and run task 5_d:

```
DECLARE  
    type typ_cards is table of VARCHAR2(50);  
    v_cards typ_cards := typ_cards  
    ( 'Citigroup Visa', 'Nationscard MasterCard',  
      'Federal American Express', 'Citizens Visa',  
      'International Discoverer', 'United Diners Club' );  
    bulk_errors EXCEPTION;  
    PRAGMA exception_init (bulk_errors, -24381 );  
BEGIN
```

```

v_cards.Delete(3);
v_cards.DELETE(6);
FORALL j IN v_cards.first..v_cards.last
    SAVE EXCEPTIONS
    EXECUTE IMMEDIATE
        'insert into card_table (accepted_cards) values ( :the_card ) '
        USING v_cards(j);
EXCEPTION
    WHEN bulk_errors THEN
        FOR j IN 1..sql%bulk_exceptions.count
        LOOP
            Dbms_Output.Put_Line (
                TO_CHAR( sql%bulk_exceptions(j).error_index ) || ':'
                ' || SQLERRM(-sql%bulk_exceptions(j).error_code) );
        END LOOP;
    END;
/

```

- e. Note the output: _____
- f. Why is the output different?

Timing Performance of SIMPLE_INTEGER and PLS_INTEGER

6. Now you compare the performance between the PLS_INTEGER and SIMPLE_INTEGER data types with native compilation:
- a. Run task 6_a from the lab_08.sql file to create a testing procedure that contains conditional compilation:

```

CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE p
IS
    t0      NUMBER :=0;
    t1      NUMBER :=0;

$IF $$Simple $THEN
    SUBTYPE My_Integer_t IS                      SIMPLE_INTEGER;
    My_Integer_t_Name CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'SIMPLE_INTEGER';
$ELSE
    SUBTYPE My_Integer_t IS                      PLS_INTEGER;
    My_Integer_t_Name CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'PLS_INTEGER';
$END

    v00  My_Integer_t := 0;          v01  My_Integer_t := 0;
    v02  My_Integer_t := 0;          v03  My_Integer_t := 0;
    v04  My_Integer_t := 0;          v05  My_Integer_t := 0;

```

```

two      CONSTANT My_Integer_t := 2;
lmt      CONSTANT My_Integer_t := 100000000;

BEGIN
    t0 := DBMS_UTILITY.GET_CPU_TIME();
    WHILE v01 < lmt LOOP
        v00 := v00 + Two;
        v01 := v01 + Two;
        v02 := v02 + Two;
        v03 := v03 + Two;
        v04 := v04 + Two;
        v05 := v05 + Two;
    END LOOP;

    IF v01 <> lmt OR v01 IS NULL THEN
        RAISE Program_Error;
    END IF;

    t1 := DBMS_UTILITY.GET_CPU_TIME();
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(
        RPAD(LOWER($$PLSQL_Code_Type), 15) ||
        RPAD(LOWER(My_Integer_t_Name), 15) ||
        TO_CHAR((t1-t0), '9999') || ' centiseconds');
END p;

```

- b. Open the lab_08.sql file and run task 6_b:

```

ALTER PROCEDURE p COMPILE
PLSQL_Code_Type = NATIVE PLSQL_CCFlags = 'simple:true'
REUSE SETTINGS;

EXECUTE p()

ALTER PROCEDURE p COMPILE
PLSQL_Code_Type = native PLSQL_CCFlags = 'simple:false'
REUSE SETTINGS;

EXECUTE p()

```

- c. Note the output:_____
- d. Explain the output.

Solution 8-1: Performance and Tuning

In this practice, you will tune a PL/SQL code and include bulk binds to improve performance.

Writing Better Code

1. Open the `lab_08.sql` file and examine the package (the package body is as follows) in task 1:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE credit_card_pkg
IS
    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no
        VARCHAR2);

    PROCEDURE display_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER);
END credit_card_pkg; -- package spec
/
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY credit_card_pkg
IS

    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2,
         p_card_no VARCHAR2)
    IS
        v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
        i INTEGER;
    BEGIN
        SELECT credit_cards
            INTO v_card_info
            FROM customers
            WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
        IF v_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN -- cards exist, add more
            i := v_card_info.LAST;
            v_card_info.EXTEND(1);
            v_card_info(i+1) := typ_cr_card(p_card_type,
                                             p_card_no);
        UPDATE customers
            SET credit_cards = v_card_info
            WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
        ELSE -- no cards for this customer yet, construct one
            UPDATE customers
                SET credit_cards = typ_cr_card_nst
                    (typ_cr_card(p_card_type, p_card_no))
                WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
        END IF;
```

```

END update_card_info;
-- continued on next page.

PROCEDURE display_card_info
  (p_cust_id NUMBER)
IS
  v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
  i INTEGER;
BEGIN
  SELECT credit_cards
    INTO v_card_info
    FROM customers
   WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
  IF v_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN
    FOR idx IN v_card_info.FIRST..v_card_info.LAST LOOP
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT('Card Type: ' ||
                      v_card_info(idx).card_type || ' ');
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('/ Card No: ' ||
                      v_card_info(idx).card_num );
    END LOOP;
  ELSE
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Customer has no credit
                          cards.');
  END IF;
END display_card_info;
END credit_card_pkg; -- package body
/

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```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE credit_card_pkg
IS

    FUNCTION cust_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_info IN OUT typ_cr_card_nst )
        RETURN BOOLEAN;
    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2,
         p_card_no VARCHAR2);
    PROCEDURE display_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER);

END credit_card_pkg; -- package spec
/
```

- c. Have the function return TRUE if the customer has credit cards. The function should return FALSE if the customer does not have credit cards. Pass an uninitialized nested table into the function. The function places the credit card information into this uninitialized parameter.

```
-- note: If you did not complete lesson 4 practice, you will
need
-- to run solution scripts for tasks 1_a, 1_b, 1_c from
sol_04.sql
-- in order to have the supporting structures in place.
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE credit_card_pkg
IS
    FUNCTION cust_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_info IN OUT typ_cr_card_nst )
        RETURN BOOLEAN;
    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2,
         p_card_no VARCHAR2);
    PROCEDURE display_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER);
END credit_card_pkg; -- package spec
/
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY credit_card_pkg
```

```

IS

FUNCTION cust_card_info
  (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_info IN OUT typ_cr_card_nst )
  RETURN BOOLEAN
IS
  v_card_info_exists BOOLEAN;
BEGIN
  SELECT credit_cards
    INTO p_card_info
    FROM customers
   WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
  IF p_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN
    v_card_info_exists := TRUE;
  ELSE
    v_card_info_exists := FALSE;
  END IF;
  RETURN v_card_info_exists;
END cust_card_info;

PROCEDURE update_card_info
  (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2,
   p_card_no VARCHAR2)
IS
  v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
  i PLS_INTEGER;
BEGIN
  IF cust_card_info(p_cust_id, v_card_info) THEN
-- cards exist, add more
    i := v_card_info.LAST;
    v_card_info.EXTEND(1);
    v_card_info(i+1) := typ_cr_card(p_card_type, p_card_no);
    UPDATE customers
      SET credit_cards = v_card_info
      WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
  ELSE -- no cards for this customer yet, construct one
    UPDATE customers
      SET credit_cards = typ_cr_card_nst
        (typ_cr_card(p_card_type, p_card_no))
      WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
  END IF;
END update_card_info;

```

```

PROCEDURE display_card_info
    (p_cust_id NUMBER)
IS
    v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
    i PLS_INTEGER;
BEGIN
    IF cust_card_info(p_cust_id, v_card_info) THEN
        FOR idx IN v_card_info.FIRST..v_card_info.LAST LOOP
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT('Card Type: ' ||
                v_card_info(idx).card_type || ' ');
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('/ Card No: ' ||
                v_card_info(idx).card_num );
        END LOOP;
    ELSE
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Customer has no credit cards.');
    END IF;
END display_card_info;
END credit_card_pkg; -- package body
/

```

The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface with a 'Script Output' window. The window title is 'Script Output X'. It contains the following text:
 Task completed in 0.16 seconds
 Package CREDIT_CARD_PKG compiled
 Package body CREDIT_CARD_PKG compiled

Alternatively, run the code from task 2_c of sol_08.sql.

3. Test your modified code with the following data:

```

EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.update_card_info
    (120, 'AM EX', 555555555555)

```

The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface with a 'Script Output' window. The window title is 'Script Output X'. It contains the following text:
 Task completed in 0.066 seconds
 PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```

EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.display_card_info(120)

```

Script Output X
Task completed in 0.066 seconds
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Script Output X
Task completed in 0.04 seconds
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Card Type: Visa / Card No: 11111111
Card Type: MC / Card No: 2323232323
Card Type: DC / Card No: 44444444
Card Type: AM EX / Card No: 555555555555

Note: If you did not complete Practice 4, your results will be:

```
EXECUTE credit_card_pkg.display_card_info(120)
```

Script Output X
Task completed in 0.066 seconds
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Script Output X
Task completed in 0.024 seconds
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Card Type: AM EX / Card No: 555555555555

4. You must modify the UPDATE_CARD_INFO procedure to return information (by using the RETURNING clause) about the credit cards being updated. Assume that this information will be used by another application developer on your team, who is writing a graphical reporting utility on customer credit cards.
 - a. Open the lab_08.sql file. It contains the code in task 4_a as modified in step 2.
 - b. Modify the code to use the RETURNING clause to find information about the rows that are affected by the UPDATE statements.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE credit_card_pkg
IS
  FUNCTION cust_card_info
    (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_info IN OUT typ_cr_card_nst )
    RETURN BOOLEAN;
  PROCEDURE update_card_info
    (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2,
```

```

    p_card_no VARCHAR2, o_card_info OUT typ_cr_card_nst);
PROCEDURE display_card_info
    (p_cust_id NUMBER);
END credit_card_pkg; -- package spec
/

CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY credit_card_pkg
IS
    FUNCTION cust_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_info IN OUT typ_cr_card_nst )
        RETURN BOOLEAN
    IS
        v_card_info_exists BOOLEAN;
    BEGIN
        SELECT credit_cards
            INTO p_card_info
            FROM customers
            WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id;
        IF p_card_info.EXISTS(1) THEN
            v_card_info_exists := TRUE;
        ELSE
            v_card_info_exists := FALSE;
        END IF;
        RETURN v_card_info_exists;
    END cust_card_info;

    PROCEDURE update_card_info
        (p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2,
         p_card_no VARCHAR2, o_card_info OUT typ_cr_card_nst)
    IS
        v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
        i PLS_INTEGER;
    BEGIN

        IF cust_card_info(p_cust_id, v_card_info) THEN
-- cards exist, add more
            i := v_card_info.LAST;
            v_card_info.EXTEND(1);
            v_card_info(i+1) := typ_cr_card(p_card_type, p_card_no);
            UPDATE customers
                SET credit_cards = v_card_info
                WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id
        END IF;
    END update_card_info;

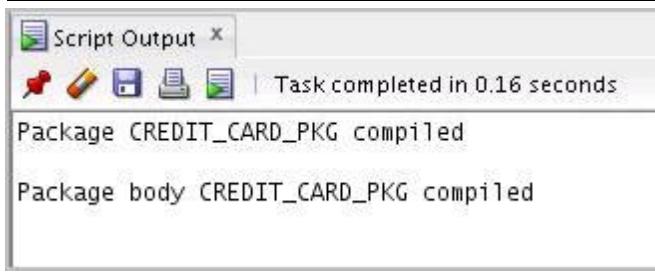
```

```

    RETURNING credit_cards INTO o_card_info;
ELSE -- no cards for this customer yet, construct one
    UPDATE customers
        SET credit_cards = typ_cr_card_nst
            (typ_cr_card(p_card_type, p_card_no))
        WHERE customer_id = p_cust_id
    RETURNING credit_cards INTO o_card_info;
END IF;
END update_card_info;

PROCEDURE display_card_info
    (p_cust_id NUMBER)
IS
    v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
    i PLS_INTEGER;
BEGIN
    IF cust_card_info(p_cust_id, v_card_info) THEN
        FOR idx IN v_card_info.FIRST..v_card_info.LAST LOOP
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT('Card Type: ' ||
                v_card_info(idx).card_type || ' ');
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('/ Card No: ' ||
                v_card_info(idx).card_num );
        END LOOP;
    ELSE
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Customer has no credit cards.');
    END IF;
END display_card_info;
END credit_card_pkg; -- package body
/

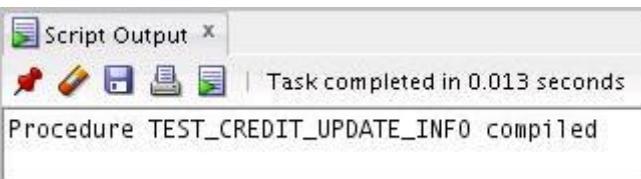
```



Alternatively, run the code from task 4_b of sol_08.sql.

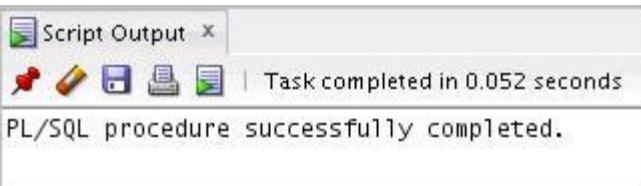
- c. You can test your modified code with the following procedure (contained in task 4_c of lab_08.sql):

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE test_credit_update_info
(p_cust_id NUMBER, p_card_type VARCHAR2, p_card_no NUMBER)
IS
    v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;
BEGIN
    credit_card_pkg.update_card_info
        (p_cust_id, p_card_type, p_card_no, v_card_info);
END test_credit_update_info;
/
```



- d. Test your code with the following statements that are set in bold:

```
EXECUTE test_credit_update_info(125, 'AM EX', 123456789)
```



```
SELECT * FROM TABLE(SELECT credit_cards FROM customers WHERE customer_id = 125);
```

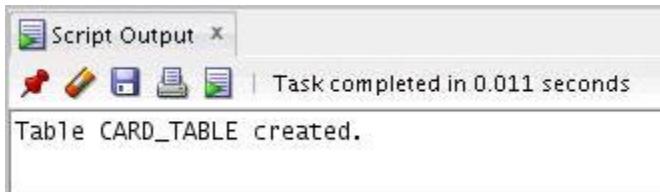
Query Result	
SQL	
CARD_TYPE	CARD_NUM
1 AM EX	123456789

Collecting Exception Information

5. Now you test exception handling with the SAVE EXCEPTIONS clause.

- a. Run task 5_a of the lab_08.sql file to create a test table:

```
CREATE TABLE card_table  
(accepted_cards VARCHAR2(50) NOT NULL);
```



- b. Open the lab_08.sql file and run task 5_b:

```
DECLARE  
    type typ_cards is table of VARCHAR2(50);  
    v_cards typ_cards := typ_cards  
    ( 'Citigroup Visa', 'Nationscard MasterCard',  
      'Federal American Express', 'Citizens Visa',  
      'International Discoverer', 'United Diners Club' );  
BEGIN  
    v_cards.Delete(3);  
    v_cards.DELETE(6);  
    FORALL j IN v_cards.first..v_cards.last  
        SAVE EXCEPTIONS  
        EXECUTE IMMEDIATE  
        'insert into card_table (accepted_cards) values  
        (:the_card)'  
        USING v_cards(j);  
/  
END;  
/
```

- c. Note the output:

```
Error report -  
ORA-24381: error(s) in array DML  
ORA-06512: at line 10  
24381. 00000 -  "error(s) in array DML"  
*Cause: One or more rows failed in the DML.  
*Action: Refer to the error stack in the error handle.
```

This returns an “Error in Array DML (at line 10),” which is not very informative.

The cause of this error: One or more rows failed in the DML.

- d. Open the lab_08.sql file and run task 5_d:

```
DECLARE
    type typ_cards is table of VARCHAR2(50);
    v_cards typ_cards := typ_cards
    ( 'Citigroup Visa', 'Nationscard MasterCard',
      'Federal American Express', 'Citizens Visa',
      'International Discoverer', 'United Diners Club' );
    bulk_errors EXCEPTION;
    PRAGMA exception_init (bulk_errors, -24381 );
BEGIN
    v_cards.Delete(3);
    v_cards.DELETE(6);
    FORALL j IN v_cards.first..v_cards.last
        SAVE EXCEPTIONS
        EXECUTE IMMEDIATE
        'insert into card_table (accepted_cards) values (
        :the_card)'
        USING v_cards(j);
EXCEPTION
    WHEN bulk_errors THEN
        FOR j IN 1..sql%bulk_exceptions.count
        LOOP
            Dbms_Output.Put_Line (
                TO_CHAR( sql%bulk_exceptions(j).error_index ) || ':'
                || SQLERRM(-sql%bulk_exceptions(j).error_code) );
        END LOOP;
    END;
/

```

- e. Note the output:

```
3:
ORA-22160: element at index 6 does not exist
```

- f. Why is the output different?

The PL/SQL block raises the exception 22160 when it encounters an array element that was deleted. The exception is handled and the block is completed successfully.

Timing Performance of SIMPLE_INTEGER and PLS_INTEGER

6. Now you compare the performance between the PLS_INTEGER and SIMPLE_INTEGER data types with native compilation:

- Run task 6_a of lab_08.sql to create a testing procedure that contains conditional compilation:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE p
IS
    t0      NUMBER :=0;
    t1      NUMBER :=0;

    $IF $$Simple $THEN
        SUBTYPE My_Integer_t IS                      SIMPLE_INTEGER;
        My_Integer_t_Name CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'SIMPLE_INTEGER';
    $ELSE
        SUBTYPE My_Integer_t IS                      PLS_INTEGER;
        My_Integer_t_Name CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'PLS_INTEGER';
    $END

    v00  My_Integer_t := 0;           v01  My_Integer_t := 0;
    v02  My_Integer_t := 0;           v03  My_Integer_t := 0;
    v04  My_Integer_t := 0;           v05  My_Integer_t := 0;

    two   CONSTANT My_Integer_t := 2;
    lmt   CONSTANT My_Integer_t := 100000000;

BEGIN
    t0 := DBMS_UTILITY.GET_CPU_TIME();
    WHILE v01 < lmt LOOP
        v00 := v00 + Two;
        v01 := v01 + Two;
        v02 := v02 + Two;
        v03 := v03 + Two;
        v04 := v04 + Two;
        v05 := v05 + Two;
    END LOOP;

    IF v01 <> lmt OR v01 IS NULL THEN
        RAISE Program_Error;
    END IF;

    t1 := DBMS_UTILITY.GET_CPU_TIME();
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(
```

```

RPAD(LOWER($$PLSQL_Code_Type), 15) ||
RPAD(LOWER(My_Integer_t_Name), 15) ||
TO_CHAR((t1-t0), '9999') || ' centiseconds');
END p;
/

```

- b. Open the lab_08.sql file and run task 6_b:

```

ALTER PROCEDURE p COMPILE
PLSQL_Code_Type = NATIVE PLSQL_CCFlags = 'simple:true'
REUSE SETTINGS;

EXECUTE p()

ALTER PROCEDURE p COMPILE
PLSQL_Code_Type = native PLSQL_CCFlags = 'simple:false'
REUSE SETTINGS;

EXECUTE p()

```

- c. Note the output:

First run:

```

Procedure P altered.

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

native      simple_integer      12 centiseconds

```

Second run:

```

Procedure P altered.

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

native      pls_integer      141 centiseconds

```

- d. Explain the output.

SIMPLE_INTEGER runs much faster in this scenario. If you can use the SIMPLE_INTEGER data type, it can improve performance.

Practices for Lesson 9: Improving Performance with Caching

Practices for Lesson 9: Overview

In this practice, you implement SQL query result caching and PL/SQL result function caching. You run scripts to measure the cache memory values, manipulate queries and functions to turn caching on and off, and then examine cache statistics.

Practice 9-1: Improving Performance with Caching

Overview

In this practice, you examine the Explain Plan for a query, add the `RESULT_CACHE` hint to the query, and reexamine the Explain Plan results. You also execute some code and modify the code so that PL/SQL result caching is turned on.

Use the `OE` connection to complete this practice.

Task

Examining SQL and PL/SQL Result Caching

1. Use SQL Developer to connect to the `OE` schema. Examine the Explain Plan for the following query, which is found in the `lab_09.sql` file. To view the Explain Plan, click the Execute Explain Plan button on the toolbar in the Code Editor window.

```
SELECT count(*),
       round(avg(quantity_on_hand)) AVG_AMT,
       product_id, product_name
  FROM inventories natural join product_information
 GROUP BY product_id, product_name;
```

2. Add the `RESULT_CACHE` hint to the query and reexamine the Explain Plan results.

```
SELECT /*+ result_cache */
       count(*),
       round(avg(quantity_on_hand)) AVG_AMT,
       product_id, product_name
  FROM inventories natural join product_information
 GROUP BY product_id, product_name;
```

Examine the Explain Plan results, compared to the previous results.

3. The following code is used to generate a list of warehouse names for pick lists in applications. The WAREHOUSES table is fairly stable and is not modified often.

Click the Run Script button to compile this code: (You can use the lab_09.sql file.)

```
CREATE OR REPLACE TYPE list_typ IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(35);  
/
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION get_warehouse_names  
RETURN list_typ  
IS  
    v_wh_names list_typ;  
BEGIN  
    SELECT warehouse_name  
    BULK COLLECT INTO v_wh_names  
    FROM warehouses;  
    RETURN v_wh_names;  
END get_warehouse_names;
```

4. Because the function is called frequently, and because the content of the data returned does not change frequently, this code is a good candidate for PL/SQL result caching. Modify the code so that PL/SQL result caching is turned on. Click the Run Script button to compile this code again.

Solution 9-1: Improving Performance with Caching

In this practice, you examine the Explain Plan for a query, add the `RESULT_CACHE` hint to the query, and reexamine the Explain Plan results. You also execute some code and modify the code so that PL/SQL result caching is turned on.

Use the OE connection.

Examining SQL and PL/SQL Result Caching

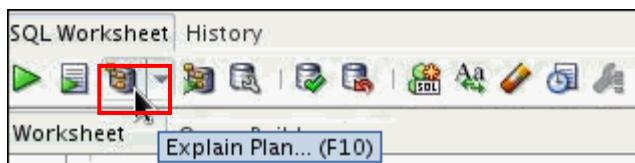
1. Use SQL Developer to connect to the OE schema. Examine the Explain Plan for the following query, which is found in the `lab_09.sql` file. To view the Explain Plan, click the Execute Explain Plan button on the toolbar in the Code Editor window.

In Oracle SQL Developer, open the `lab_09.sql` file:

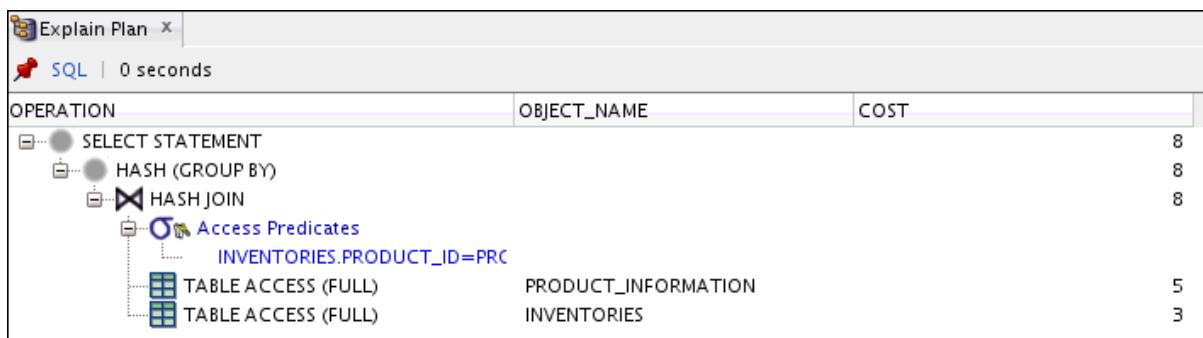
```
SELECT count(*),
       round(avg(quantity_on_hand)) AVG_AMT,
       product_id, product_name
  FROM inventories natural join product_information
 GROUP BY product_id, product_name;
```

Select the OE connection.

Click the Execute Explain Plan button on the toolbar and observe the results in the lower region:



Results: SQL caching is not enabled and not visible in the Explain Plan.



2. Add the `RESULT_CACHE` hint to the query and reexamine the Explain Plan results.

```
SELECT /*+ result_cache */
       count(*),
       round(avg(quantity_on_hand)) AVG_AMT,
       product_id, product_name
  FROM inventories natural join product_information
 GROUP BY product_id, product_name;
```

Examine the Explain Plan results, compared to the previous Results.

Click the Execute Explain Plan button on the toolbar again, and compare the results in the lower region with the previous results:



OPERATION	OBJECT_NAME	COST
SELECT STATEMENT		8
RESULT CACHE	5zta06jmv3kv14b1s37yz786xm	8
HASH(GROUP BY)		8
HASH JOIN		8
Access Predicates		
INVENTORIES.PRODUCT_ID=		
TABLE ACCESS (FULL)	PRODUCT_INFORMATION	5
TABLE ACCESS (FULL)	INVENTORIES	3

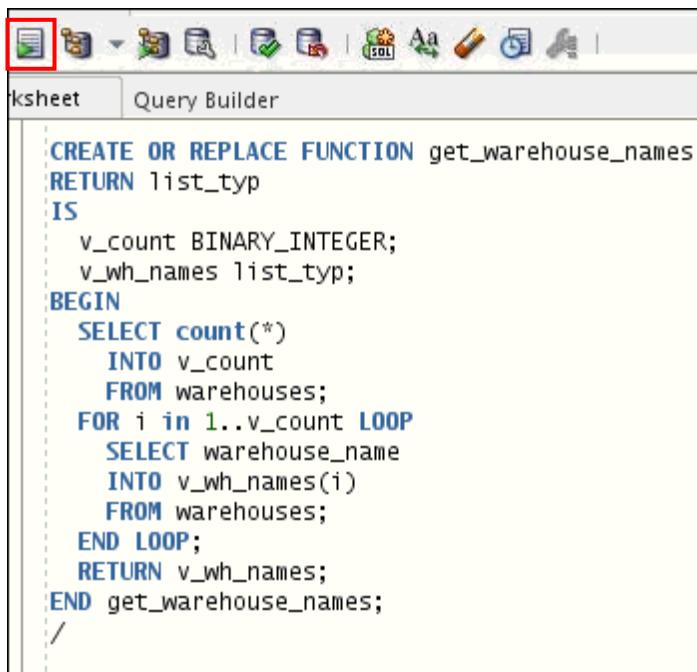
Results: Note that result caching is used in the Explain Plan.

3. The following code is used to generate a list of warehouse names for pick lists in applications. The WAREHOUSES table is fairly stable and is not modified often.

Click the Run Script button to compile this code: (You can use the `lab_09.sql` file.)

```
CREATE OR REPLACE TYPE list_typ IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(35);
/

CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION get_warehouse_names
RETURN list_typ
IS
  v_count BINARY_INTEGER;
  v_wh_names list_typ;
BEGIN
  SELECT count(*)
    INTO v_count
   FROM warehouses;
  FOR i in 1..v_count LOOP
    SELECT warehouse_name
      INTO v_wh_names(i)
     FROM warehouses;
  END LOOP;
  RETURN v_wh_names;
END get_warehouse_names;
```



```

CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION get_warehouse_names
RETURN list_typ
IS
  v_count BINARY_INTEGER;
  v_wh_names list_typ;
BEGIN
  SELECT count(*)
    INTO v_count
   FROM warehouses;
  FOR i in 1..v_count LOOP
    SELECT warehouse_name
      INTO v_wh_names(i)
     FROM warehouses;
  END LOOP;
  RETURN v_wh_names;
END get_warehouse_names;
/

```

Open lab_09.sql. Click the Run Script button. You have compiled the function without PL/SQL result caching.

4. Because the function is called frequently, and because the content of the data returned does not frequently change, this code is a good candidate for PL/SQL result caching.
Modify the code so that PL/SQL result caching is turned on. Click the Run Script button to compile this code again.

Insert the following line after RETURN list_typ:

```
RESULT_CACHE RELIES_ON (warehouses)
```

```

CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION get_warehouse_names
RETURN list_typ
RESULT_CACHE RELIES_ON (warehouses)
IS
  v_count BINARY_INTEGER;
  v_wh_names list_typ:=list_typ();
BEGIN
  SELECT count(*)
    INTO v_count
   FROM warehouses;
  v_wh_names.extend(v_count);
  FOR i in 1..v_count LOOP
    SELECT warehouse_name
      INTO v_wh_names(i)
     FROM warehouses;
  END LOOP;
  RETURN v_wh_names;
END get_warehouse_names;
/

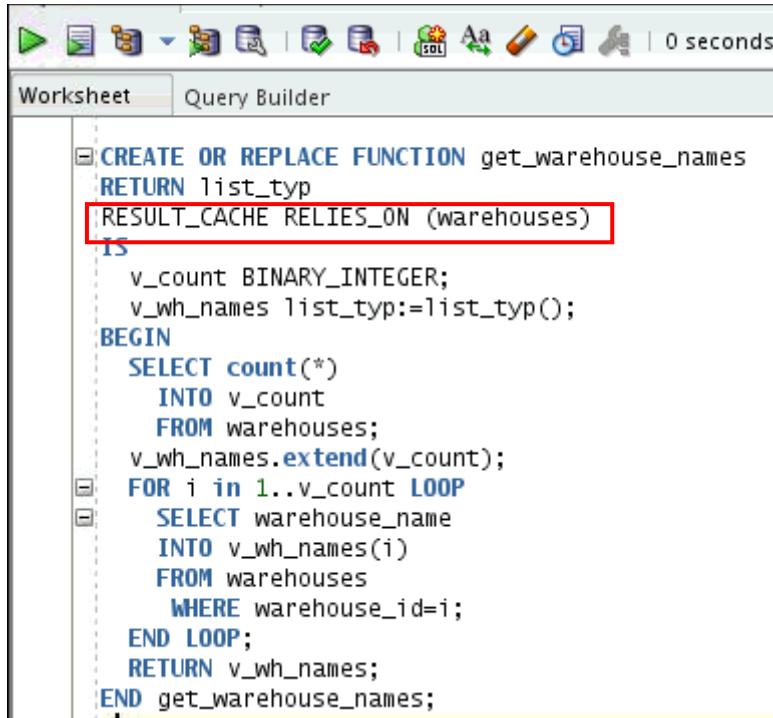
```

```

        FROM warehouses
        WHERE warehouse_id=i;
    END LOOP;
    RETURN v_wh_names;
END get_warehouse_names;

```

Click the Run Script button to recompile the code.



```

CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION get_warehouse_names
RETURN list_typ
RESULT_CACHE RELIES_ON (warehouses)
IS
    v_count BINARY_INTEGER;
    v_wh_names list_typ:=list_typ();
BEGIN
    SELECT count(*)
    INTO v_count
    FROM warehouses;
    v_wh_names.extend(v_count);
    FOR i IN 1..v_count LOOP
        SELECT warehouse_name
        INTO v_wh_names(i)
        FROM warehouses
        WHERE warehouse_id=i;
    END LOOP;
    RETURN v_wh_names;
END get_warehouse_names;

```

```

SELECT * FROM TABLE(get_warehouse_names)
/

```

COLUMN_VALUE
1 Southlake, Texas
2 San Francisco
3 New Jersey
4 Seattle, Washington
5 Toronto
6 Sydney
7 Mexico City
8 Beijing
9 Bombay

Alternatively, you can execute the solution for task 4 from sol_09.sql.

Practices for Lesson 10: Analyzing PL/SQL Code

Practices for Lesson 10: Overview

In this practice, you will perform the following:

- Find coding information
- Use PL/Scope

Practice 10-1: Analyzing PL/SQL Code

Overview

In this practice, you use PL/SQL and Oracle SQL Developer to analyze your code.

Use your OE connection.

Task

Finding Coding Information

1. Create the QUERY_CODE_PKG package to search your source code.

Use the OE connection.

- a. Run task 1_a of the lab_10.sql script to create the QUERY_CODE_PKG package.
- b. Run the ENCAP_COMPLIANCE procedure to see which of your programs reference tables or views. (**Note:** Your results might differ slightly.)
- c. Run the FIND_TEXT_IN_CODE procedure to find all references to 'ORDERS'. (**Note:** Your results might differ slightly.)
- d. Use the SQL Developer Reports feature to find the same results for step C shown above.

Using PL/Scope

2. In the following steps, you use PL/Scope.

Use the OE connection.

- a. Enable your session to collect identifiers.
- b. Recompile your CREDIT_CARD_PKG code.
- c. Verify that your PLSCOPE_SETTING is set correctly by issuing the following statement:

```
SELECT PLSCOPE_SETTINGS
  FROM USER_PLSQL_OBJECT_SETTINGS
 WHERE NAME='CREDIT_CARD_PKG' AND TYPE='PACKAGE BODY';
```

- d. Execute the following statement to create a hierarchical report on the identifier information about the CREDIT_CARD_PKG code. You can run task 2_d of the lab_10.sql script file.

```
WITH v AS
  (SELECT      Line,
              Col,
              INITCAP(NAME)  Name,
              LOWER(TYPE)    Type,
              LOWER(USAGE)   Usage,
              USAGE_ID,  USAGE_CONTEXT_ID
     FROM USER_IDENTIFIERS
    WHERE Object_Name = 'CREDIT_CARD_PKG'
      AND Object_Type = 'PACKAGE BODY'  )
  SELECT RPAD(LPAD(' ', 2*(Level-1)) ||
```

```

        Name, 20, '.')||' '|
        RPAD(Type, 20)|| RPAD(Usage, 20)
        IDENTIFIER_USAGE_CONTEXTS
    FROM v
    START WITH USAGE_CONTEXT_ID = 0
    CONNECT BY PRIOR USAGE_ID = USAGE_CONTEXT_ID
    ORDER SIBLINGS BY Line, Col;

```

3. Use DBMS_METADATA to find the metadata for the ORDER_ITEMS table.

Use the OE connection.

- a. Create the GET_TABLE_MD function. You can run task 3_a of the lab_10.sql script.

```

CREATE FUNCTION get_table_md RETURN CLOB IS
    v_hdl NUMBER; -- returned by 'OPEN'
    v_th NUMBER; -- returned by 'ADD_TRANSFORM'
    v_doc CLOB;
BEGIN
    -- specify the OBJECT TYPE
    v_hdl := DBMS_METADATA.OPEN('TABLE');
    -- use FILTERS to specify the objects desired
    DBMS_METADATA.SET_FILTER(v_hdl , 'SCHEMA','OE');
    DBMS_METADATA.SET_FILTER
        (v_hdl , 'NAME','ORDER_ITEMS');
    -- request to be TRANSFORMED into creation DDL
    v_th := DBMS_METADATA.ADD_TRANSFORM(v_hdl,'DDL');
    -- FETCH the object
    v_doc := DBMS_METADATA.FETCH_CLOB(v_hdl);
    -- release resources
    DBMS_METADATA.CLOSE(v_hdl);
    RETURN v_doc;
END;
/

```

- b. Issue the following statements to view the metadata generated from the GET_TABLE_MD function:

You can run task 3_b of the lab_10.sql script.

```

set pagesize 0
set long 1000000
SELECT get_table_md FROM dual;

```

- c. Generate an XML representation of the ORDER_ITEMS table by using the DBMS_METADATA.GET_XML function. Spool the output to a file named ORDER_ITEMS_XML.txt in the /home/oracle/labs folder.

- d. Verify that the ORDER_ITEMS_XML.txt file was created in the /home/oracle/labs folder.

Solution 10-1: Analyzing PL/SQL Code

In this practice, you use PL/SQL and Oracle SQL Developer to analyze your code.

Use your OE connection.

Finding Coding Information

1. Create the QUERY_CODE_PKG package to search your source code.

Use the OE connection.

- a. Run task 1_a of the lab_10.sql script to create the QUERY_CODE_PKG package.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE query_code_pkg
AUTHID CURRENT_USER
IS
    PROCEDURE find_text_in_code (str IN VARCHAR2);
    PROCEDURE encaps_compliance ;
END query_code_pkg;
/


CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY query_code_pkg IS
    PROCEDURE find_text_in_code (str IN VARCHAR2)
    IS
        TYPE info_rt IS RECORD (NAME user_source.NAME%TYPE,
                               text user_source.text%TYPE );
        TYPE info_aat IS TABLE OF info_rt INDEX BY PLS_INTEGER;
        info_aa info_aat;
    BEGIN
        SELECT NAME || '-' || line, text
        BULK COLLECT INTO info_aa FROM user_source
        WHERE UPPER (text) LIKE '%' || UPPER (str) || '%'
        AND NAME != 'VALSTD' AND NAME != 'ERRNUMS';
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('Checking for presence of ' ||
                             str || ':');
        FOR indx IN info_aa.FIRST .. info_aa.LAST LOOP
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE (
                info_aa (indx).NAME|| ',' || info_aa (indx).text);
        END LOOP;
    END find_text_in_code;

    PROCEDURE encaps_compliance IS
        SUBTYPE qualified_name_t IS VARCHAR2 (200);
        TYPE refby_rt IS RECORD (NAME qualified_name_t,
                               referenced_by qualified_name_t );
        TYPE refby_aat IS TABLE OF refby_rt INDEX BY PLS_INTEGER;
        refby_aa refby_aat;
```

```

BEGIN
    SELECT owner || '.' || NAME refs_table
        , referenced_owner || '.' || referenced_name
        AS table_referenced
    BULK COLLECT INTO refby_aa
        FROM all_dependencies
        WHERE owner = USER
        AND TYPE IN ('PACKAGE', 'PACKAGE BODY',
                      'PROCEDURE', 'FUNCTION')
        AND referenced_type IN ('TABLE', 'VIEW')
        AND referenced_owner NOT IN ('SYS', 'SYSTEM')
        ORDER BY owner, NAME, referenced_owner, referenced_name;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('Programs that reference tables or
views');
    FOR indx IN refby_aa.FIRST .. refby_aa.LAST LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE (refby_aa (indx).NAME || ',' ||
                           refby_aa (indx).referenced_by);
    END LOOP;
    END encapsulation;
END query_code_pkg;
/

```

PACKAGE QUERY_CODE_PKG compiled
 PACKAGE BODY QUERY_CODE_PKG compiled

- Run the ENCAP_COMPLIANCE procedure to see which of your programs reference tables or views. (**Note:** Your results might differ slightly.)

```

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
EXECUTE query_code_pkg.encap_compliance

```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Programs that reference tables or views

OE.ADD_ORDER_ITEMS,OE.PORDER
 OE.ALLOCATE_NEW_PROJ_LIST,OE.DEPARTMENT
 OE.CHANGE_CREDIT,OE.CUSTOMERS
 OE.CREDIT_CARD_PKG,OE.CUSTOMERS
 OE.GET_EMAIL,OE.CUSTOMERS
 OE.GET_WAREHOUSE_NAMES,OE.WAREHOUSES
 OE.LIST_PRODUCTS_DYNAMIC,OE.PRODUCT_INFORMATION
 OE.LIST_PRODUCTS_STATIC,OE.PRODUCT_INFORMATION
 OE.LOAD_PRODUCT_IMAGE,OE.PRODUCT_INFORMATION
 OE.LOB_TXT,OE.LOB_TEXT
 OE.MANAGE_DEPT_PROJ,OE.DEPARTMENT
 OE.ORDERS_CTX_PKG,OE.CUSTOMERS
 OE.ORD_COUNT,OE.ORDERS
 OE.PRINT_CUSTOMERS,OE.CUSTOMERS
 OE.PRINT_CUSTOMERS,OE.ORDERS
 OE.PRINT_EMPLOYEES,OE.CUSTOMERS

- c. Run the FIND_TEXT_IN_CODE procedure to find all references to 'ORDERS'.
(Note: Your results might differ slightly.)

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
EXECUTE query_code_pkg.find_text_in_code('ORDERS')
```

```
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Checking for presence of ORDERS:
CUSTOMER_TYP-12,      , cust_orders      order_list_typ

GET_TABLE_MD-11,                      (v_hd1 , 'NAME','ORDERS');

JSON_PUT_PRACTICE-8,                  FROM orders o

ORDERS_APP_PKG-1,PACKAGE orders_app_pkg

ORDERS_APP_PKG-1,PACKAGE BODY orders_app_pkg

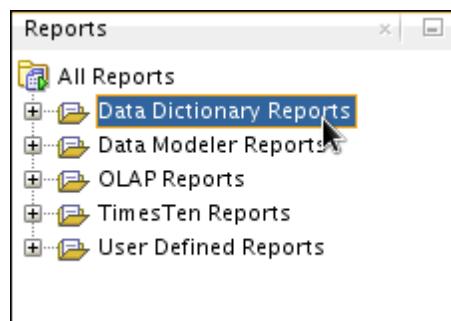
ORDERS_CTX_PKG-1,PACKAGE orders_ctx_pkg IS

ORDERS_CTX_PKG-1,PACKAGE BODY orders_ctx_pkg IS
```

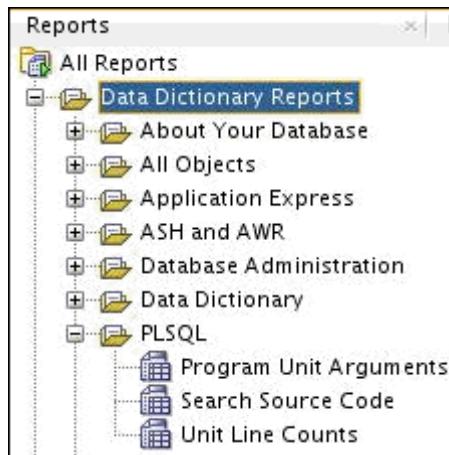
Alternatively, you can execute the solutions for tasks 1_b and 1_c from sol_10.sql.

- d. Use the Oracle SQL Developer Reports feature to find the same results obtained in step c.

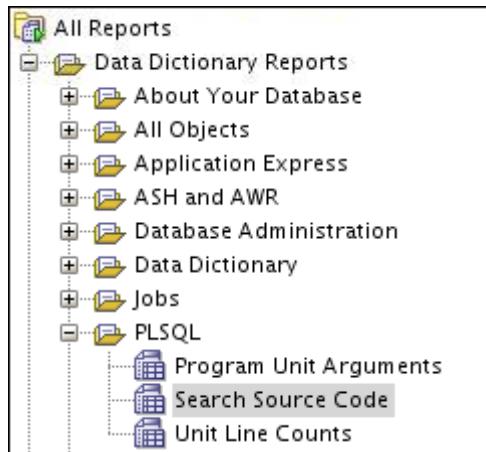
Navigate to the Reports tabbed page in Oracle SQL Developer.



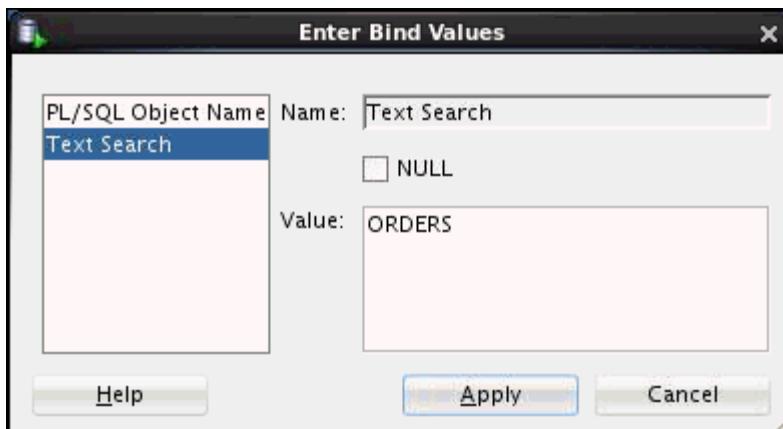
Expand the Data Dictionary Reports node and expand the PL/SQL node.



Select Search Source Code, and then select your oe connection and click OK.



Select Text search and enter ORDERS in the Value: field. Click the Apply button.



Owner	PL/SQL Object Name	Type	Line	Text
1 OE	CUSTOMER_TYP	TYPE	12	, cust_orders order_list_typ
2 OE	GET_TABLE_MD	FUNCTION	11	(v_hd1 , 'NAME', 'ORDERS');
3 OE	JSON_PUT_PRACTICE	PROCEDURE	8	FROM orders o
4 OE	ORDERS_APP_PKG	PACKAGE	1	PACKAGE orders_app_pkg
5 OE	ORDERS_APP_PKG	PACKAGE BODY	1	PACKAGE BODY orders_app_pkg
6 OE	ORDERS_CTX_PKG	PACKAGE	1	PACKAGE orders_ctx_pkg IS
7 OE	ORDERS_CTX_PKG	PACKAGE BODY	1	PACKAGE BODY orders_ctx_pkg IS
8 OE	ORDERS_CTX_PKG	PACKAGE BODY	8	DBMS_SESSION.SET_CONTEXT('orders_ctx', 'customer_id', custnum);
9 OE	ORDERS_ITEMS_TRG	TRIGGER	1	TRIGGER orders_items_trg INSTEAD OF INSERT ON NESTED
10 OE	ORDERS_ITEMS_TRG	TRIGGER	2	TABLE order_item_list OF oc_orders FOR EACH ROW
11 OE	ORDERS_TRG	TRIGGER	1	TRIGGER orders_trg INSTEAD OF INSERT
12 OE	ORDERS_TRG	TRIGGER	2	ON oc_orders FOR EACH ROW
13 OE	ORDERS_TRG	TRIGGER	4	INSERT INTO ORDERS (order_id, order_mode, order_total,
14 OE	ORD_COUNT	FUNCTION	3	RESULT_CACHE RELIES_ON (orders)
15 OE	ORD_COUNT	FUNCTION	8	FROM orders
16 OE	PRINT_CUSTOMERS	PROCEDURE	11	from oe.customers c, oe.orders o
17 OE	PRINT_EMPLOYEES	PROCEDURE	12	from oe.customers c, oe.orders o

Note: The report content might vary based on the objects created by using your schema.

Using PL/Scope

Use the OE connection.

2. In the following steps, you use PL/Scope.

a. Enable your session to collect identifiers.

```
ALTER SESSION SET PLSCOPE_SETTINGS = 'IDENTIFIERS:ALL';
session SET altered.
```

b. Recompile your CREDIT_CARD_PKG code.

```
ALTER PACKAGE credit_card_pkg COMPILE;
package CREDIT_CARD_PKG altered.
```

- c. Verify that your PLSCOPE_SETTING is set correctly by issuing the following statement:

```
SELECT PLSCOPE_SETTINGS  
FROM USER_PLSQL_OBJECT_SETTINGS  
WHERE NAME='CREDIT_CARD_PKG' AND TYPE='PACKAGE BODY';
```

PLSCOPE_SETTINGS
1 IDENTIFIERS:ALL

Alternatively, you can execute the solutions for tasks 2_a, 2_b, and 2_c from sol_10.sql.

- d. Execute the following statement to create a hierarchical report on the identifier information about the CREDIT_CARD_PKG code. You can run task 2_d of the lab_10.sql script file.

```

WITH v AS
  (SELECT      Line,
              Col,
              INITCAP(NAME)  Name,
              LOWER(TYPE)    Type,
              LOWER(USAGE)   Usage,
              USAGE_ID,  USAGE_CONTEXT_ID
     FROM USER_IDENTIFIERS
    WHERE Object_Name = 'CREDIT_CARD_PKG'
      AND Object_Type = 'PACKAGE BODY' )
  SELECT RPAD(' ', 2*(Level-1)) ||
         Name, 20, '.')||' '||
         RPAD(Type, 20)|| RPAD(Usage, 20)
         IDENTIFIER_USAGE_CONTEXTS
  FROM v
  START WITH USAGE_CONTEXT_ID = 0
  CONNECT BY PRIOR USAGE_ID = USAGE_CONTEXT_ID
  ORDER SIBLINGS BY Line, Col;

```

	IDENTIFIER_USAGE_CONTEXTS	
1	Credit_Card_Pkg..... package	definition
2	Cust_Card_Info.... function	definition
3	P_Cust_Id..... formal in	declaration
4	Number..... number datatype	reference
5	P_Card_Info..... formal in out	declaration
6	Typ_Cr_Card_Ns nested table	reference
7	Boolean..... boolean datatype	reference
8	V_Card_Info_Exis variable	declaration
9	Boolean..... boolean datatype	reference
10	P_Card_Info..... formal in out	assignment
11	P_Cust_Id..... formal in	reference
12	V_Card_Info_Exis variable	assignment
13	V_Card_Info_Exis variable	reference

3. Use DBMS_METADATA to find the metadata for the ORDER_ITEMS table.

Use the OE connection.

- a. Create the GET_TABLE_MD function. You can run task 3_a of the lab_10.sql script.

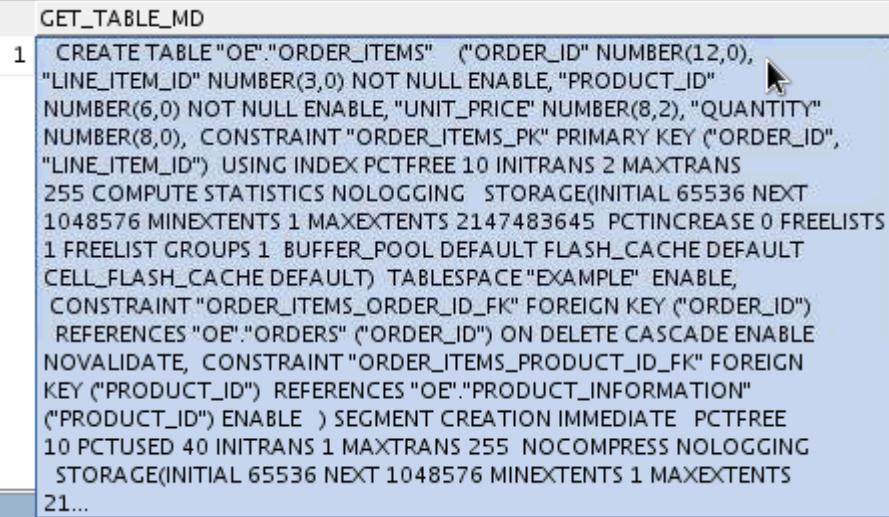
```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION get_table_md RETURN CLOB IS
  v_hdl  NUMBER; -- returned by 'OPEN'
  v_th   NUMBER; -- returned by 'ADD_TRANSFORM'
  v_doc  CLOB;
BEGIN
  -- specify the OBJECT TYPE
  v_hdl := DBMS_METADATA.OPEN('TABLE');
  -- use FILTERS to specify the objects desired
  DBMS_METADATA.SET_FILTER(v_hdl , 'SCHEMA', 'OE');
  DBMS_METADATA.SET_FILTER
    (v_hdl , 'NAME', 'ORDER_ITEMS');
  -- request to be TRANSFORMED into creation DDL
  v_th := DBMS_METADATA.ADD_TRANSFORM(v_hdl, 'DDL');
  -- FETCH the object
  v_doc := DBMS_METADATA.FETCH_CLOB(v_hdl);
  -- release resources
  DBMS_METADATA.CLOSE(v_hdl);
  RETURN v_doc;
END;
/
```

- b. Issue the following statements to view the metadata generated from the GET_TABLE_MD function:

```
set pagesize 0  
set long 1000000  
  
SELECT get_table_md FROM dual;
```

```
GET_TABLE_MD  
1 CREATE TABLE "OE"."ORDER_ITEMS" ("ORDER_ID" NUMBER(12,0), "LINE_ITEM_ID" NUMBER(3,0) NOT NULL ENABLE, "PRODUCT_ID" NUMBER(6,0) NOT NULL ENABLE,
```

Move the cursor over the get_table_md column to see the detailed view of the record.



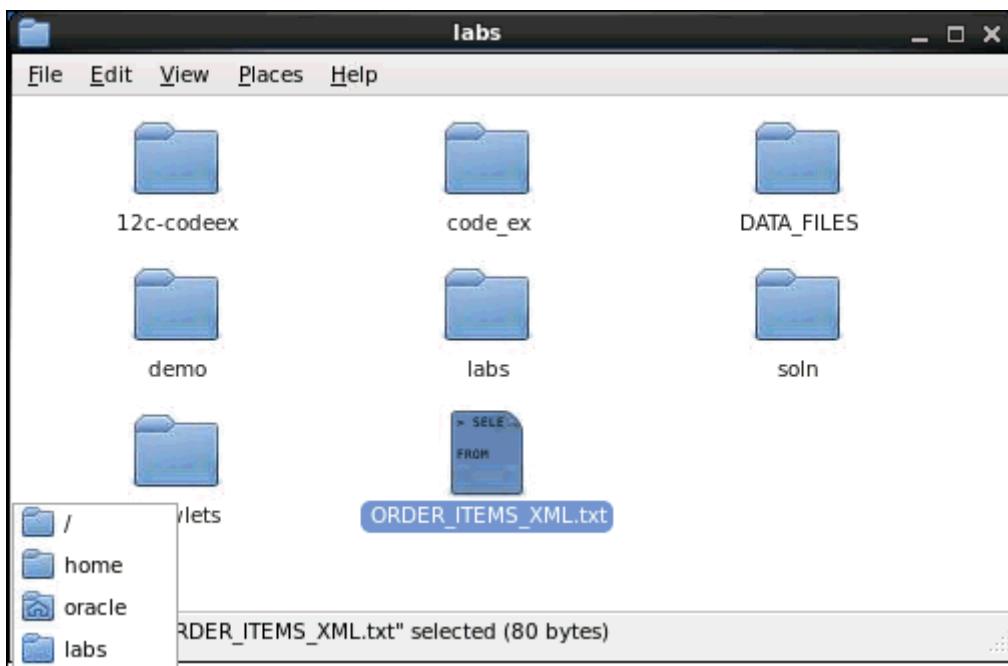
The screenshot shows a tooltip for the 'get_table_md' column in a table named 'GET_TABLE_MD'. The tooltip displays the full CREATE TABLE statement for the 'ORDER_ITEMS' table. The statement includes details such as columns ('ORDER_ID', 'LINE_ITEM_ID', 'PRODUCT_ID'), constraints ('PRIMARY KEY', 'FOREIGN KEY'), and storage parameters ('PCTFREE', 'INITTRANS', 'MAXTRANS', 'NOLOGGING', 'STORAGE'). The cursor is hovering over the 'get_table_md' text in the tooltip.

```
1 CREATE TABLE "OE"."ORDER_ITEMS" ("ORDER_ID" NUMBER(12,0),  
"LINE_ITEM_ID" NUMBER(3,0) NOT NULL ENABLE, "PRODUCT_ID"  
NUMBER(6,0) NOT NULL ENABLE, "UNIT_PRICE" NUMBER(8,2), "QUANTITY"  
NUMBER(8,0), CONSTRAINT "ORDER_ITEMS_PK" PRIMARY KEY ("ORDER_ID",  
"LINE_ITEM_ID") USING INDEX PCTFREE 10 INITTRANS 2 MAXTRANS  
255 COMPUTE STATISTICS NOLOGGING STORAGE(INITIAL 65536 NEXT  
1048576 MINEXTENTS 1 MAXEXTENTS 2147483645 PCTINCREASE 0 FREELISTS  
1 FREELIST GROUPS 1 BUFFER_POOL DEFAULT FLASH_CACHE DEFAULT  
CELL_FLASH_CACHE DEFAULT) TABLESPACE "EXAMPLE" ENABLE,  
CONSTRAINT "ORDER_ITEMS_ORDER_ID_FK" FOREIGN KEY ("ORDER_ID")  
REFERENCES "OE"."ORDERS" ("ORDER_ID") ON DELETE CASCADE ENABLE  
NOVALIDATE, CONSTRAINT "ORDER_ITEMS_PRODUCT_ID_FK" FOREIGN  
KEY ("PRODUCT_ID") REFERENCES "OE"."PRODUCT_INFORMATION"  
("PRODUCT_ID") ENABLE ) SEGMENT CREATION IMMEDIATE PCTFREE  
10 PCTUSED 40 INITTRANS 1 MAXTRANS 255 NOCOMPRESS NOLOGGING  
STORAGE(INITIAL 65536 NEXT 1048576 MINEXTENTS 1 MAXEXTENTS  
21...
```

- c. Generate an XML representation of the ORDER_ITEMS table by using the DBMS_METADATA.GET_XML function. Spool the output to a file named ORDER_ITEMS_XML.txt in the /home/oracle/labs folder.

```
SET PAGESIZE 0  
SET LONG 1000000  
SPOOL /home/oracle/labs/ORDER_ITEMS_XML.txt  
  
SELECT DBMS_METADATA.GET_XML  
('TABLE', 'ORDER_ITEMS', 'OE')  
FROM dual;  
  
SPOOL OFF
```

- d. Verify that the ORDER_ITEMS_XML.txt file was created in the /home/oracle/labs folder.



**Practices for Lesson 11:
Profiling and Tracing PL/SQL
Code**

Practices for Lesson 11: Overview

Overview

In this practice, you write code to profile components in your application.

Practice 11-1: Profiling and Tracing PL/SQL Code

Overview

In this practice, you generate profiler data and analyze it.

Task

Use your OE connection.

1. Generate profiling data for your CREDIT_CARD_PKG.
 - a. Re-create CREDIT_CARD_PKG by running the /home/oracle/labs/labs/lab_11.sql script.
 - b. You must identify the location of the profiler files. Create a DIRECTORY object to identify this information and grant the necessary privileges. Use the SYS connection.
 - c. Use DBMS_HPROF.START_PROFILING to start the profiler for your session.
 - d. Run your CREDIT_CARD_PKG.UPDATE_CARD_INFO with the following data.

```
credit_card_pkg.update_card_info
(154, 'Discover', '123456789');
```
 - e. Use DBMS_HPROF.STOP_PROFILING to stop the profiler.
2. Run the following code to set up the profiler tables:

```
Begin
DBMS_HPROF.CREATE_TABLES;
end;
```
3. Use DBMS_HPROF.ANALYZE to analyze the raw data and write the information to the profiler tables.
 - a. Get RUN_ID.
 - b. Query the DBMSHP_RUNS table to find top-level information for RUN_ID that you retrieved.
 - c. Query the DBMSHP_FUNCTION_INFO table to find information about each function profiled.
4. Use the plshprof command-line utility to generate simple HTML reports directly from the raw profiler data.
 - a. Open a command window.
 - b. Change the working directory to /home/oracle/labs/labs.
 - c. Run the plshprof utility.

Open the report in your browser and review the data.

Solution 11-1: Profiling and Tracing PL/SQL Code

In this practice, you generate profiler data and analyze it.

Use your OE connection.

1. Generate profiling data for your CREDIT_CARD_PKG.

- a. Re-create CREDIT_CARD_PKG by running the /home/oracle/labs/labs/lab_11.sql script.
Use the OE connection.

```
PACKAGE CREDIT_CARD_PKG compiled  
PACKAGE BODY CREDIT_CARD_PKG compiled
```

- b. You must identify the location of the profiler files. Create a DIRECTORY object to identify this information and grant the necessary privileges:
Use the SYS connection.

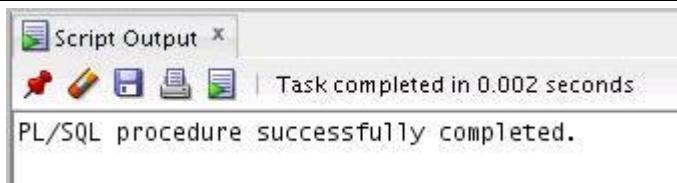
```
CREATE DIRECTORY profile_data AS '/home/oracle/labs/labs';  
GRANT READ, WRITE, EXECUTE ON DIRECTORY profile_data TO OE;  
GRANT EXECUTE ON DBMS_HPROF TO OE;
```

```
directory PROFILE_DATA created.  
GRANT succeeded.  
GRANT succeeded.
```

- c. Use DBMS_HPROF.START_PROFILING to start the profiler for your session.

Use the OE connection.

```
BEGIN  
-- start profiling  
DBMS_HPROF.START_PROFILING('PROFILE_DATA', 'pd_cc_pkg.txt');  
END;  
/
```



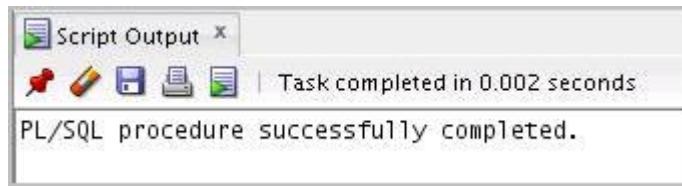
- d. Run your CREDIT_CARD_PKG.UPDATE_CARD_INFO with the following data.

```
credit_card_pkg.update_card_info  
(154, 'Discover', '123456789');
```

Use the OE connection.

```
DECLARE  
    v_card_info typ_cr_card_nst;  
BEGIN  
    -- run application  
    credit_card_pkg.update_card_info  
    (154, 'Discover', '123456789');
```

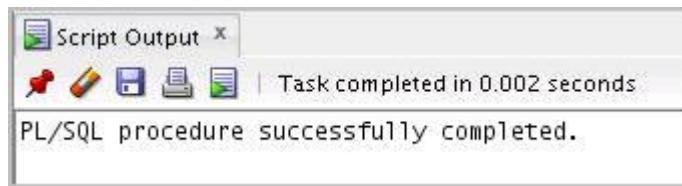
```
END;  
/
```



- e. Use DBMS_HPROF.STOP_PROFILING to stop the profiler.

Use the OE connection.

```
BEGIN  
    DBMS_HPROF.STOP_PROFILING;  
END;  
/
```



Alternatively, you can run the solutions for tasks 1_b, 1_c, 1_d, and 1_e from `sol_11.sql`.

2. Run the following code to set up the profiler tables:

```
Begin  
    DBMS_HPROF.CREATE_TABLES;  
end;
```

3. Use DBMS_HPROF.ANALYZE to analyze the raw data and write the information to the profiler tables.

- a. Get RUN_ID.

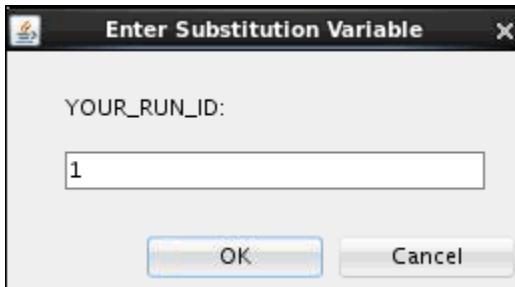
```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON  
  
DECLARE  
    v_runid NUMBER;  
BEGIN  
    v_runid := DBMS_HPROF.ANALYZE (LOCATION => 'PROFILE_DATA',  
                                    FILENAME => 'pd_cc_pkg.txt');  
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Run ID: ' || v_runid);  
END;  
/
```

Run ID: 1

- b. Query the DBMSHP_RUNS table to find top-level information for RUN_ID that you retrieved.

```
SET VERIFY OFF

SELECT runid, run_timestamp, total_elapsed_time
FROM dbmshp_runs
WHERE runid = &your_run_id;
```



RUNID	RUN_TIMESTAMP	TOTAL_ELAPSED_TIME
1	127-JAN-14 11.32.59.543393000 PM	10267

- c. Query the DBMSHP_FUNCTION_INFO table to find information about each function profiled.

```
SELECT owner, module, type, function_line#, namespace,
       calls, function_elapsed_time
FROM   dbmshp_function_info
WHERE  runid = 1;
```

OWNER	MODULE	TYPE	LINE#	NAMESPACE	CALLS	FUNCTION_ELAPSED_TIME
1 (null)	(null)	(null)	__anonymous_block	PLSQL	8	467
2 (null)	(null)	(null)	_plsql_vm	PLSQL	8	39
3 OE	CREDIT_CARD_PKG	PACKAGE BODY	UPDATE_CARD_INFO	PLSQL	2	202
4 SYS	DBMS_HPROF	PACKAGE BODY	STOP_PROFILING	PLSQL	1	0
5 SYS	DBMS_OUTPUT	PACKAGE BODY	GET_LINE	PLSQL	5	15
6 OE	CREDIT_CARD_PKG	PACKAGE BODY	__static_sql_exec_line17	SQL	2	5179
7 OE	CREDIT_CARD_PKG	PACKAGE BODY	__static_sql_exec_line9	SQL	2	771

Alternatively, you can run the solutions for tasks 3_a, 3_b, and 3_c from sol_11.sql.

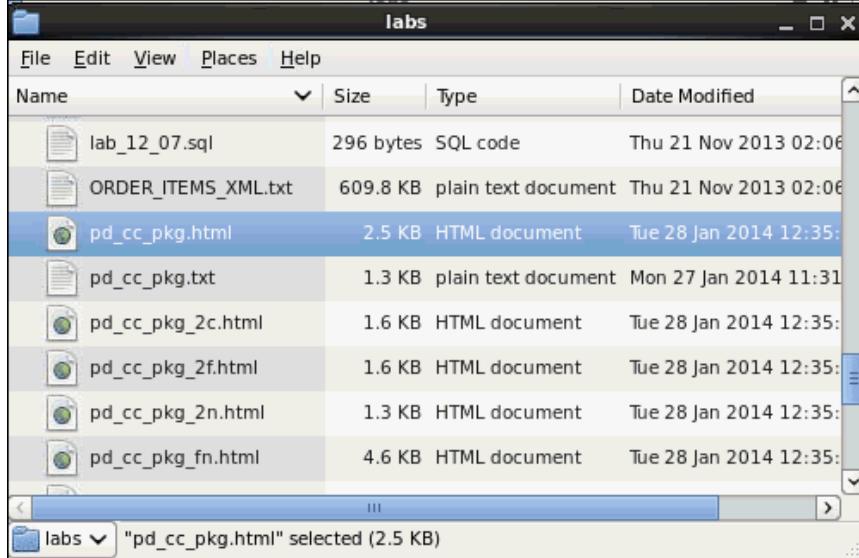
4. Use the plshprof command-line utility to generate simple HTML reports directly from the raw profiler data.
- Open a command window.
 - Change the working directory to /home/oracle/labs/labs.
 - Run the plshprof utility.

```
--at your command window, change your working directory to
/home/oracle/labs/labs
cd /home/oracle/labs/labs
plshprof -output pd_cc_pkg pd_cc_pkg.txt
```

```
[7 symbols processed]
[Report written to 'pd_cc_pkg.html']
```

- Note :** The number of symbols should be equal to the number of values returned in Step 3c
5. Open the report in your browser and review the data.

Navigate to the /home/oracle/labs/labs folder.



PL/SQL Elapsed Time (microsecs) Analysis

6673 microsecs (elapsed time) & 28 function calls

The PL/SQL Hierarchical Profiler produces a collection of reports that present info formats. The following reports have been found to be the most generally useful as

- [Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Total Subtree Elapsed Time \(microsecs\)](#)
- [Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Total Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\)](#)
- [SQL ID Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by SQL ID](#)

In addition, the following reports are also available:

- [Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Function Name](#)
- [Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Total Descendants Elapsed Time \(microsecs\)](#)
- [Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Total Function Call Count](#)
- [Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Mean Subtree Elapsed Time \(microsecs\)](#)
- [Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Mean Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\)](#)
- [Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Mean Descendants Elapsed Time \(microsecs\)](#)
- [Module Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Total Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\)](#)
- [Module Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Module Name](#)
- [Module Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Total Function Call Count](#)
- [Namespace Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Total Function Elapsed Time \(microsecs\)](#)
- [Namespace Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Namespace](#)
- [Namespace Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data sorted by Total Function Call Count](#)
- [Parents and Children Elapsed Time \(microsecs\) Data](#)

Practices for Lesson 12:
Securing Applications
through PL/SQL

Practices for Lesson 12: Overview

Overview

In this practice, you:

- Create an application context
- Create a policy
- Create a logon trigger
- Implement a Virtual Private Database

Test the Virtual Private Database.

Practice 12-1: Implementing Fine-Grained Access Control for VPD

Overview

In this practice, you define an application context and security policy to implement the policy: "Sales Representatives can see only their own order information in the ORDERS table." You create sales representative IDs to test the success of your implementation.

Task

Examine the definition of the ORDERS table and the ORDER count for each sales representative:

```
DESCRIBE orders
```

Name	Null?	Type
ORDER_ID	NOT NULL	NUMBER(12)
ORDER_DATE	NOT NULL	TIMESTAMP(6) WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE
ORDER_MODE		VARCHAR2(8)
CUSTOMER_ID	NOT NULL	NUMBER(6)
ORDER_STATUS		NUMBER(2)
ORDER_TOTAL		NUMBER(8,2)
SALES REP ID		NUMBER(6)
PROMOTION_ID		NUMBER(6)

```
SELECT sales_rep_id, count(*)
FROM   orders
GROUP BY sales_rep_id;
```

Run this step to check the ORDERS table.

Note: Use SQL*Plus to complete the following steps.

1. Use your SYS connection. Examine and then run the lab_12.sql script.
This script creates the sales representative ID accounts with appropriate privileges to access the database.
2. Set up an application context:
 - a. Connect to the database as SYS before creating this context.
 - b. Create an application context named sales_orders_ctx.
 - c. Associate this context to oe.sales_orders_pkg.
3. Connect as OE.
 - a. Examine this package specification:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE sales_orders_pkg
IS
  PROCEDURE set_app_context;
  FUNCTION the_predicate
```

```

(p_schema VARCHAR2, p_name VARCHAR2)
    RETURN VARCHAR2;
END sales_orders_pkg;      -- package spec
/

```

- b. Create this package specification and the package body in the OE schema.
 - c. When you create the package body, set up two constants as follows:
- ```

c_context CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'SALES_ORDERS_CTX';
c_attrib CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'SALES REP';

```
- d. Use these constants in the SET\_APP\_CONTEXT procedure to set the application context to the current user.
4. Connect as SYS and define the policy.
- a. Use DBMS\_RLS.ADD\_POLICY to define the policy.
  - b. Use these specifications for the parameter values:
- ```

object_schema    OE
object_name      ORDERS
policy_name      OE_ORDERS_ACCESS_POLICY
function_schema  OE
policy_function  SALES_ORDERS_PKG.THE_PREDICATE
statement_types   SELECT, UPDATE, DELETE
update_check     FALSE,
enable           TRUE);

```
5. Connect as SYS and create a logon trigger to implement fine-grained access control. Name the trigger SET_ID_ON_LOGON. This trigger causes the context to be set as each user is logged on.

6. Test the fine-grained access implementation. Connect as your SR user and query the ORDERS table. For example, your results should match:

```
CONNECT sr153/oracle@orclpdb1

SELECT sales_rep_id, COUNT(*)
FROM   orders
GROUP BY sales_rep_id;

SALES REP ID COUNT(*)
-----
153          5

CONNECT sr154/oracle@orclpdb1

SELECT sales_rep_id, COUNT(*)
FROM   orders
GROUP BY sales_rep_id;

SALES REP ID COUNT(*)
-----
154          10
```

Note: During debugging, you may need to disable or remove some of the objects created for this lesson.

- If you need to disable the logon trigger, as SYS, issue the following command:

```
ALTER TRIGGER set_id_on_logon DISABLE;
```

- If you need to remove the policy that you created, as SYS, issue the following command:

```
EXECUTE DBMS_RLS.DROP_POLICY('OE', 'ORDERS', -
'OE_ORDERS_ACCESS_POLICY')
```

Solution 12-1: Implementing Fine-Grained Access Control for VPD

In this practice, you define an application context and security policy to implement the policy: "Sales representatives can see only their own order information in the ORDERS table." You create sales representative IDs to test the success of your implementation. Examine the definition of the ORDERS table and the ORDER count for each sales representative.

Note: Use SQL*Plus to complete the following steps.

1. Use your SYS connection. Examine and then run the lab_12.sql script. This script creates the sales representative ID accounts with appropriate privileges to access the database.

```
DROP USER sr153;
CREATE USER sr153 IDENTIFIED BY oracle
  DEFAULT TABLESPACE USERS
  TEMPORARY TABLESPACE TEMP
  QUOTA UNLIMITED ON USERS;

DROP USER sr154;
CREATE USER sr154 IDENTIFIED BY oracle
  DEFAULT TABLESPACE USERS
  TEMPORARY TABLESPACE TEMP
  QUOTA UNLIMITED ON USERS;

GRANT create session
  , alter session
TO sr153, sr154;

GRANT SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE ON
  oe.orders TO sr153, sr154;

GRANT SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE ON
  oe.order_items TO sr153, sr154;

CREATE PUBLIC SYNONYM orders FOR oe.orders;
CREATE PUBLIC SYNONYM order_items FOR oe.order_items;
```

```

Error starting at line : 3 in command -
DROP USER sr153
Error report -
SQL Error: ORA-01918: user 'SR153' does not exist
01918. 00000 - "user '%s' does not exist"
*Cause: User does not exist in the system.
*Action: Verify the user name is correct.
user SR153 created.

Error starting at line : 9 in command -
DROP USER sr154
Error report -
SQL Error: ORA-01918: user 'SR154' does not exist
01918. 00000 - "user '%s' does not exist"
*Cause: User does not exist in the system.
*Action: Verify the user name is correct.
user SR154 created.
GRANT succeeded.
GRANT succeeded.
GRANT succeeded.
public synonym ORDERS created.
public synonym ORDER_ITEMS created.

```

2. Set up an application context:
 - a. Connect to the database as `SYS` before creating this context.
 - b. Create an application context named `sales_orders_ctx`.
 - c. Associate this context with the `oe.sales_orders_pkg`.

```

CREATE CONTEXT sales_orders_ctx
  USING oe.sales_orders_pkg;
context SALES_ORDERS_CTX created.

```

Alternatively, run the code from task 2 of `sol_12.sql`.

3. Connect as `OE`.
 - a. Examine this package specification:

```

CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE sales_orders_pkg
IS
  PROCEDURE set_app_context;
  FUNCTION the_predicate
    (p_schema VARCHAR2, p_name VARCHAR2)
    RETURN VARCHAR2;
END sales_orders_pkg;      -- package spec
/

```

- b. Create this package specification and then the package body in the `OE` schema.
- c. When you create the package body, set up two constants as follows:

```

c_context CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'SALES_ORDERS_CTX';
c_attrib  CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'SALES REP';

```

- d. Use these constants in the SET_APP_CONTEXT procedure to set the application context to the current user.

```

CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY sales_orders_pkg
IS
    c_context CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'SALES_ORDERS_CTX';
    c_attrib  CONSTANT VARCHAR2(30) := 'SALES REP';

    PROCEDURE set_app_context
    IS
        v_user VARCHAR2(30);
    BEGIN
        SELECT user INTO v_user FROM dual;
        DBMS_SESSION.SET_CONTEXT
            (c_context, c_attrib, v_user);
    END set_app_context;

    FUNCTION the_predicate
    (p_schema VARCHAR2, p_name VARCHAR2)
    RETURN VARCHAR2
    IS
        v_context_value VARCHAR2(100) :=
            SYS_CONTEXT(c_context, c_attrib);
        v_restriction VARCHAR2(2000);
    BEGIN
        IF v_context_value LIKE 'SR%' THEN
            v_restriction :=
                'SALES REP_ID =
                SUBSTR(''' || v_context_value || ''', 3, 3)';
        ELSE
            v_restriction := null;
        END IF;
        RETURN v_restriction;
    END the_predicate;

    END sales_orders_pkg; -- package body
/

```

```

PACKAGE SALES_ORDERS_PKG compiled
PACKAGE BODY SALES_ORDERS_PKG compiled

```

Alternatively, run the code from task 3 of sol_12.sql.

4. Connect as `SYS` and define the policy.
 - a. Use `DBMS_RLS.ADD_POLICY` to define the policy.
 - b. Use the following specifications for the parameter values:


```
object_schema    OE
object_name       ORDERS
policy_name       OE_ORDERS_ACCESS_POLICY
function_schema   OE
policy_function   SALES_ORDERS_PKG.THE_PREDICATE
statement_types   SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE
update_check      FALSE,
enable           TRUE
```

```
DECLARE
BEGIN
  DBMS_RLS.ADD_POLICY (
    'OE',
    'ORDERS',
    'OE_ORDERS_ACCESS_POLICY',
    'OE',
    'SALES_ORDERS_PKG.THE_PREDICATE',
    'SELECT, UPDATE, DELETE',
    FALSE,
    TRUE);
END;
/
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Alternatively, run the code from task 4 of sol_12.sql.

5. Connect as `SYS` and create a logon trigger to implement fine-grained access control. Name the trigger `SET_ID_ON_LOGON`. This trigger causes the context to be set as each user is logged on.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER set_id_on_logon
AFTER logon on DATABASE
BEGIN
  oe.sales_orders_pkg.set_app_context;
END;
/
```

TRIGGER SET_ID_ON_LOGON compiled

Alternatively, run the code from task 5 of sol_12.sql.

6. Test the fine-grained access implementation. Connect as your SR user and query the ORDERS table. For example, your results should match the following:

```
CONNECT sr153/oracle@orclpdb1

SELECT sales_rep_id, COUNT(*)
FROM   orders
GROUP BY sales_rep_id;

SALES REP ID COUNT(*)
-----
153          5

CONNECT sr154/oracle@orclpdb1

SELECT sales_rep_id, COUNT(*)
FROM   orders
GROUP BY sales_rep_id;

SALES REP ID COUNT(*)
-----
154          10
```

```
SQL> CONNECT sr153/oracle
Connected.
SQL> SELECT sales_rep_id, COUNT(*) FROM   orders GROUP BY sales_rep_id;

SALES REP ID COUNT(*)
-----
153          5

SQL>
```

```
SQL> CONNECT sr154/oracle
Connected.
SQL> SELECT sales_rep_id, COUNT(*) FROM   orders GROUP BY sales_rep_id;

SALES REP ID COUNT(*)
-----
154          10
```

Note: During debugging, you may need to disable or remove some of the objects created for this lesson.

- If you need to disable the logon trigger, as SYS, issue the following command:
ALTER TRIGGER set_id_on_logon DISABLE;
- If you need to remove the policy that you created, as SYS, issue the following command:
EXECUTE DBMS_RLS.DROP_POLICY('OE', 'ORDERS', -
'OE_ORDERS_ACCESS_POLICY')

Alternatively, run the code from task 6 of sol_12.sql.

Practices for Lesson 13: Safeguarding Your Code against SQL Injection Attacks

Practices for Lesson 13: Overview

Overview

In this practice, you examine PL/SQL code, test it for SQL injection, and rewrite it to protect against SQL injection vulnerabilities.

Practice 13-1: Safeguarding Your Code against SQL Injection Attacks

Overview

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Use the OE connection for this practice.

Task

1. Only code that is used in web applications is vulnerable to SQL injection attack.
 - a. True
 - b. False
2. Code that is most vulnerable to SQL injection attack contains: (Check all those that apply.)
 - a. Input parameters
 - b. Dynamic SQL with bind arguments
 - c. Dynamic SQL with concatenated input values
 - d. Calls to exterior functions
3. By default, a stored procedure or SQL method executes with the privileges of the owner (definer's rights).
 - a. True
 - b. False
4. By using AUTHID CURRENT_USER in your code, you are: (Check all those that apply.)
 - a. Specifying that the code executes with invoker's rights
 - b. Specifying that the code executes with the highest privilege level
 - c. Eliminating any possible SQL injection vulnerability
 - d. Not eliminating all possible SQL injection vulnerabilities
5. Match each attack surface reduction technique with an example of the technique.

Technique	Example
Executes code with minimal privileges	Specify appropriate parameter types
Locks the database	Revoke privileges from PUBLIC
Reduces arbitrary input	Use invoker's rights

6. Examine the following code. Run task 6 of the lab_13.sql script to create the procedure.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE get_income_level (p_email VARCHAR2
DEFAULT NULL)
IS
    TYPE      cv_custtyp IS REF CURSOR;
    cv        cv_custtyp;
    v_income  customers.income_level%TYPE;
    v_stmt    VARCHAR2(400);
BEGIN
    v_stmt := 'SELECT income_level FROM customers WHERE
              cust_email = ''' || p_email || ''';

    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('SQL statement: ' || v_stmt);
    OPEN cv FOR v_stmt;
    LOOP
        FETCH cv INTO v_income;
        EXIT WHEN cv%NOTFOUND;
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Income level is: '||v_income);
    END LOOP;
    CLOSE cv;

EXCEPTION WHEN OTHERS THEN
    dbms_output.PUT_LINE(sqlerrm);
    dbms_output.PUT_LINE('SQL statement: ' || v_stmt);
END get_income_level;
/
```

- a. Execute the following statements and note the results.
- ```
exec get_income_level('Kris.Harris@DIPPER.EXAMPLE.COM')

exec get_income_level('x'' union select username from all_users
where ''x'''='x')
```
- b. Has SQL injection occurred?
7. Rewrite the code to protect against SQL injection. You can run step 7 of the lab\_13.sql script to re-create the procedure.
- a. Execute the following statements and note the results:
- ```
exec get_income_level('Kris.Harris@DIPPER.EXAMPLE.COM')

exec get_income_level('x'' union select username from all_users
where ''x'''='x')
```
- b. Has SQL injection occurred?

Solution 13-1: Safeguarding Your Code Against SQL Injection Attacks

In this practice, you examine PL/SQL code, test it for SQL injection, and rewrite it to protect against SQL injection vulnerabilities.

Use the OE connection for this practice.

Understanding SQL Injection

1. Only code used in web applications is vulnerable to SQL injection attack.
 - b) False
2. Code that is most vulnerable to SQL injection attack contains: (Check all those that apply.)
 - c) Dynamic SQL with concatenated input values
3. By default, a stored procedure or SQL method executes with the privileges of the owner (definer's rights).
 - a) **True**
4. By using AUTHID CURRENT_USER in your code, you are: (Check all those that apply.)
 - a. **Specifying that the code executes with invoker's rights**
 - d. **Not eliminating all possible SQL injection vulnerabilities**
5. Match each attack surface reduction technique to an example of the technique.

Technique: Example

Executes code with minimal privileges: Use invoker's rights

Locks the database: Revoke privileges from PUBLIC

Reduces arbitrary input: Specify appropriate parameter types

Rewriting Code to Protect Against SQL Injection

6. Examine this code. Run task 6 in the lab_13.sql script to create the procedure.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE get_income_level
  (p_email VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL)
IS
  TYPE      cv_custtyp IS REF CURSOR;
  cv        cv_custtyp;
  v_income  customers.income_level%TYPE;
  v_stmt    VARCHAR2(400);
BEGIN
  v_stmt := 'SELECT income_level FROM customers WHERE
            cust_email = ''' || p_email || ''';
```

```

DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('SQL statement: ' || v_stmt);
OPEN cv FOR v_stmt;
LOOP
    FETCH cv INTO v_income;
    EXIT WHEN cv%NOTFOUND;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Income level is: '||v_income);
END LOOP;
CLOSE cv;

EXCEPTION WHEN OTHERS THEN
    dbms_output.PUT_LINE(sqlerrm);
    dbms_output.PUT_LINE('SQL statement: ' || v_stmt);
END get_income_level;
/

```

PROCEDURE GET_INCOME_LEVEL compiled

- Execute the following statements and note the results.

```

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
exec get_income_level('Kris.Harris@DIPPER.EXAMPLE.COM')

```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```

SQL statement: SELECT income_level FROM customers WHERE cust_email = 'Kris.Harris@DIPPER.EXAMPLE.COM'
Income level is: G: 130,000 - 149,999

```

```

exec get_income_level('x'' union select username from all_users
where ''x'''='x')

```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```

SQL statement: SELECT income_level FROM customers WHERE cust_email = 'x' union select username
Income level is: AM145
Income level is: AM147
Income level is: AM148
Income level is: AM149
Income level is: ANONYMOUS

```

Alternatively, you can execute the solution for task 6_a from sol_13.sql.

- Has SQL injection occurred?

Yes, by using dynamic SQL constructed via concatenation of input values, you see all users in the database.

7. Rewrite the code to protect against SQL injection. You can run step 07 in the lab_13.sql script to re-create the procedure.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE
PROCEDURE get_income_level (p_email VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL)
AS
BEGIN
FOR i IN
(SELECT income_level
FROM customers
WHERE cust_email = p_email)
LOOP
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Income level is:
'||i.income_level);
END LOOP;
END get_income_level;
/
```

- a. Execute the following statements and note the results.

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
exec get_income_level('Kris.Harris@DIPPER.EXAMPLE.COM')
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Income Level is: G: 130,000 - 149,999

```
exec get_income_level('x'' union select username from all_users
where ''x''='x')
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Alternatively, you can execute the solution for task 7_a from sol_13.sql.

- b. Has SQL injection occurred?

No

Practices for Lesson 14:
Advanced Security
Mechanisms

Practices for Lesson 14: Overview

Overview

There are no practices for this lesson.