

Practical 06 Part II

Introduction to Loops in PL/SQL

Loops allow repeated execution of a block of statements. PL/SQL supports three types of loops:

BASIC LOOP (Infinite Loop)

WHILE LOOP (Condition-based)

FOR LOOP (Counter-based)

BASIC LOOP (Must use EXIT condition)

A **LOOP** executes repeatedly until an **EXIT** condition is met.

Example: Print numbers from 1 to 5 using LOOP

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;

DECLARE
    i NUMBER := 1;
BEGIN
    LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
        i := i + 1;

        EXIT WHEN i > 5; -- Exit condition
    END LOOP;
END;
/
```

Explanation: The loop runs indefinitely until **i** becomes greater than 5.

```
SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> DECLARE
  2   i NUMBER := 1;
  3 BEGIN
  4   LOOP
  5     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
  6     i := i + 1;
  7     EXIT WHEN i > 5; -- Exit condition
  8   END LOOP;
  9 END;
10 /
Number: 1
Number: 2
Number: 3
Number: 4
Number: 5

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
```

WHILE LOOP (Executes as long as condition is **TRUE**)

A **WHILE** loop checks a condition before executing the block.

Example: Print numbers from 1 to 5 using WHILE LOOP

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;

DECLARE
    i NUMBER := 1;
BEGIN
    WHILE i <= 5 LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
        i := i + 1;
    END LOOP;
END;
/
```

Explanation: The loop runs as long as `i <= 5`. When `i` becomes 6, it stops.

```
SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> DECLARE
2    i NUMBER := 1;
3    BEGIN
4        WHILE i <= 5 LOOP
5            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
6            i := i + 1;
7        END LOOP;
8    END;
9    /
Number: 1
Number: 2
Number: 3
Number: 4
Number: 5

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
```

FOR LOOP (Counter-based)

A **FOR** loop runs a fixed number of times.

Example: Print numbers from 1 to 5 using FOR LOOP

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
```

```
BEGIN
```

```
    FOR i IN 1..5 LOOP
```

```
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
```

```
    END LOOP;
```

```
END;
```

```
/
```

Explanation: The loop runs automatically from 1 to 5, eliminating the need for a manual counter.

```
SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> BEGIN
  2   FOR i IN 1..5 LOOP
  3       DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
  4   END LOOP;
  5 END;
  6 /
Number: 1
Number: 2
Number: 3
Number: 4
Number: 5

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
```

REVERSE FOR LOOP

A **FOR** loop can count **backward** using **REVERSE**.

Example: Print numbers from 5 to 1 using FOR LOOP

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;

BEGIN
  FOR i IN REVERSE 1..5 LOOP
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
  END LOOP;
END;
/
```

Explanation: The loop counts **down** from 5 to 1.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> BEGIN
  2   FOR i IN REVERSE 1..5 LOOP
  3       DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
  4   END LOOP;
  5 END;
  6 /
Number: 5
Number: 4
Number: 3
Number: 2
Number: 1

```

Simple Tasks for Practice

Write a **BASIC LOOP** to print numbers from 1 to 10.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> DECLARE
  2   i NUMBER := 1;
  3 BEGIN
  4   LOOP
  5       DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
  6       i := i + 1;
  7   EXIT WHEN i > 10; -- Exit condition when i exceeds 10
  8   END LOOP;
  9 END;
 10 /
Number: 1
Number: 2
Number: 3
Number: 4
Number: 5
Number: 6
Number: 7
Number: 8
Number: 9
Number: 10

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```

Modify the **WHILE LOOP** to print **even numbers** from 2 to 10.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> DECLARE
  2   i NUMBER := 2; -- Start with first even number
  3   BEGIN
  4     WHILE i <= 10 LOOP
  5       DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Even Number: ' || i);
  6       i := i + 2; -- Increment by 2 to get next even number
  7     END LOOP;
  8   END;
  9   /
Even Number: 2
Even Number: 4
Even Number: 6
Even Number: 8
Even Number: 10

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```

Write a **FOR LOOP** to print the **square of numbers** from 1 to 5.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> BEGIN
  2   FOR i IN 1..5 LOOP
  3     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Square of ' || i || ' is: ' || (i * i));
  4   END LOOP;
  5   END;
  6   /
Square of 1 is: 1
Square of 2 is: 4
Square of 3 is: 9
Square of 4 is: 16
Square of 5 is: 25

```

Create a **REVERSE FOR LOOP** that prints numbers from 10 to 1.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> BEGIN
  2   FOR i IN REVERSE 1..10 LOOP
  3       DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Countdown: ' || i);
  4   END LOOP;
  5   END;
  6   /
Countdown: 10
Countdown: 9
Countdown: 8
Countdown: 7
Countdown: 6
Countdown: 5
Countdown: 4
Countdown: 3
Countdown: 2
Countdown: 1

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```

Write a loop that **calculates the sum of numbers from 1 to 5**.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> DECLARE
  2   i NUMBER := 1;
  3   total NUMBER := 0;
  4   BEGIN
  5   LOOP
  6       total := total + i;
  7       i := i + 1;
  8       EXIT WHEN i > 5;
  9   END LOOP;
 10   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Sum (BASIC LOOP): ' || total);
 11   END;
 12   /
Sum (BASIC LOOP): 15

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```


LOOPS USECASES IN DBMS

BASIC LOOP (Must use EXIT condition)

The `LOOP` statement runs indefinitely unless explicitly stopped with an `EXIT` condition.

Example 1: Insert 5 Records into a Table Using LOOP

```
BEGIN

    FOR i IN 1..5 LOOP

        INSERT INTO employees (id, name, salary) VALUES (i,
'Employee_' || i, 5000 + (i * 500));

    END LOOP;

    COMMIT;

END;

/
```

Explanation: Inserts 5 employees with incrementing salaries.

Example 2: Fetch and Display Employee Names Using LOOP

```
DECLARE

    v_name employees.name%TYPE;

    CURSOR emp_cursor IS SELECT name FROM employees;
```

```

BEGIN

    OPEN emp_cursor;

    LOOP

        FETCH emp_cursor INTO v_name;

        EXIT WHEN emp_cursor%NOTFOUND;

        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Employee: ' || v_name);

    END LOOP;

    CLOSE emp_cursor;

END;

/

```

Explanation: Uses a cursor to fetch and print employee names one by one.

Example 3: Delete Employees with Salary Below 3000 Using LOOP

```

DECLARE

    CURSOR emp_cursor IS SELECT id FROM employees WHERE salary < 3000;

    v_id employees.id%TYPE;

BEGIN

    OPEN emp_cursor;

    LOOP

        FETCH emp_cursor INTO v_id;

        EXIT WHEN emp_cursor%NOTFOUND;
    
```

```

        DELETE FROM employees WHERE id = v_id;

    END LOOP;

    CLOSE emp_cursor;

    COMMIT;

END;

/

```

Explanation: Deletes employees earning less than 3000.

Example 4: Update Salaries Using LOOP

```

DECLARE

    CURSOR emp_cursor IS SELECT id FROM employees;

    v_id employees.id%TYPE;

BEGIN

    OPEN emp_cursor;

    LOOP

        FETCH emp_cursor INTO v_id;

        EXIT WHEN emp_cursor%NOTFOUND;

        UPDATE employees SET salary = salary + 1000 WHERE id = v_id;

    END LOOP;

    CLOSE emp_cursor;

    COMMIT;

```

```
END;
```

```
/
```

Explanation: Increases salaries by 1000 for all employees.

WHILE LOOP (Executes as long as the condition is TRUE)

Example 1: Print Employee Names While ID ≤ 5

```
DECLARE
```

```
    v_id NUMBER := 1;
```

```
    v_name employees.name%TYPE;
```

```
BEGIN
```

```
    WHILE v_id <= 5 LOOP
```

```
        SELECT name INTO v_name FROM employees WHERE id = v_id;
```

```
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Employee: ' || v_name);
```

```
        v_id := v_id + 1;
```

```
    END LOOP;
```

```
END;
```

```
/
```

Explanation: Fetches and prints employee names for IDs 1 to 5.

Example 2: Insert Employees Until a Certain Count

```

DECLARE

    v_count NUMBER := 0;

BEGIN

    WHILE v_count < 5 LOOP

        INSERT INTO employees (id, name, salary) VALUES (v_count + 10,
'New_Employee', 4000);

        v_count := v_count + 1;

    END LOOP;

    COMMIT;

END;

/

```

Explanation: Inserts 5 new employees.

Example 3: Fetch and Display Employees with Salary Above 6000

```

DECLARE

    CURSOR emp_cursor IS SELECT name FROM employees WHERE salary >
6000;

    v_name employees.name%TYPE;

BEGIN

    OPEN emp_cursor;

    FETCH emp_cursor INTO v_name;

    WHILE emp_cursor%FOUND LOOP

        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Employee: ' || v_name);

    END LOOP;

END;

```

```
        FETCH emp_cursor INTO v_name;

    END LOOP;

    CLOSE emp_cursor;

END;

/
```

Explanation: Fetches employees earning more than 6000.

Example 4: Deduct Salary Until Minimum Threshold

```
DECLARE

    v_salary NUMBER;

BEGIN

    SELECT salary INTO v_salary FROM employees WHERE id = 1;

    WHILE v_salary > 3000 LOOP

        UPDATE employees SET salary = salary - 500 WHERE id = 1;

        v_salary := v_salary - 500;

    END LOOP;

    COMMIT;

END;

/
```

Explanation: Deducts salary until it reaches 3000.

FOR LOOP (Counter-based loop, runs a fixed number of times)

Example 1: Insert 10 Employees Using FOR LOOP

```
BEGIN

    FOR i IN 1..10 LOOP

        INSERT INTO employees (id, name, salary) VALUES (i + 100,
'Emp_' || i, 6000);

    END LOOP;

    COMMIT;

END;

/
```

Explanation: Inserts 10 employees with unique IDs.

Example 2: Display First 5 Employees

```
BEGIN

    FOR emp IN (SELECT name FROM employees WHERE ROWNUM <= 5) LOOP

        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Employee: ' || emp.name);

    END LOOP;

END;

/
```

Explanation: Prints the first 5 employee names.

Example 3: Increase Salaries in a Range

```
BEGIN

    FOR i IN 1..10 LOOP

        UPDATE employees SET salary = salary + 500 WHERE id = i;

    END LOOP;

    COMMIT;

END;

/
```

Explanation: Increases salaries of employees with IDs 1 to 10.

Example 4: Delete Employees with ID Greater Than 50

```
BEGIN

    FOR i IN (SELECT id FROM employees WHERE id > 50) LOOP

        DELETE FROM employees WHERE id = i.id;

    END LOOP;

    COMMIT;

END;

/
```


Explanation: Deletes employees with IDs greater than 50.

Loops with database Simple Tasks for Practice

1. Write a **LOOP** to insert 5 new departments into a `departments` table

```
SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> DECLARE
  2   i NUMBER := 1;
  3 BEGIN
  4   LOOP
  5     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Number: ' || i);
  6     i := i + 1;
  7     EXIT WHEN i > 10; -- Exit condition when i exceeds 10
  8   END LOOP;
  9 END;
10 /
Number: 1
Number: 2
Number: 3
Number: 4
Number: 5
Number: 6
Number: 7
Number: 8
Number: 9
Number: 10

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```

2. Modify the **WHILE LOOP** to increase salaries until they reach 10,000.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> DECLARE
  2   i NUMBER := 2; -- Start with first even number
  3   BEGIN
  4     WHILE i <= 10 LOOP
  5       DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Even Number: ' || i);
  6       i := i + 2; -- Increment by 2 to get next even number
  7     END LOOP;
  8   END;
  9   /
Even Number: 2
Even Number: 4
Even Number: 6
Even Number: 8
Even Number: 10

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```

3. Write a **FOR LOOP** to display **employee details** for IDs 1 to 5.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> BEGIN
  2   FOR i IN 1..5 LOOP
  3     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Square of ' || i || ' is: ' || (i * i));
  4   END LOOP;
  5   END;
  6   /
Square of 1 is: 1
Square of 2 is: 4
Square of 3 is: 9
Square of 4 is: 16
Square of 5 is: 25

```

4. Create a **cursor-based LOOP** that prints **employee names and salaries**.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> BEGIN
  2   FOR i IN REVERSE 1..10 LOOP
  3       DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Countdown: ' || i);
  4   END LOOP;
  5   END;
  6   /
Countdown: 10
Countdown: 9
Countdown: 8
Countdown: 7
Countdown: 6
Countdown: 5
Countdown: 4
Countdown: 3
Countdown: 2
Countdown: 1

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

```

5. Write a loop that **calculates the total salary** of all employees.

```

SQL> SET SERVEROUTPUT ON;
SQL> DECLARE
  2   i NUMBER := 1;
  3   total NUMBER := 0;
  4   BEGIN
  5   LOOP
  6       total := total + i;
  7       i := i + 1;
  8       EXIT WHEN i > 5;
  9   END LOOP;
 10   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Sum (BASIC LOOP): ' || total);
 11   END;
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