

Assignment No. : 7Aim

Cursors : (All types: Implicit, Explicit, Cursor FOR loop, parameterized cursor). Write a PL/SQL block of code using parameterized cursor, that will merge the data available in the newly created table N-Roll Call with the data available in the table O-Roll Call. If the data in the first table already exist in the second table then that data should be skipped.

Objective

Learning the concept of cursor in PL/SQL.

TheoryCursor

For the processing of any SQL statement, database needs to allocate memory. This memory is called context area. The Context area is a part of PGA (Process Global Area) and is allocated on the Oracle server.

A cursor is associated with this work area used by ORACLE, for multi row queries. A cursor is a handle or pointer to the context area. The cursor allows to process contents in the context area row by row.

Types of cursors :

- i) Implicit cursor - It's defined by ORACLE implicitly. ORACLE defines implicit cursor for every DML statement.
- ii) Explicit cursor - These are user-defined cursors which are defined in the declaration section of the PL/SQL block.



Syntax:

DECLARE

Cursor cursor\_name IS select statement or query;  
BEGIN

5 Open cursor\_name;  
Fetch cursor\_name into list of variables;  
Close cursor\_name;  
END;

### 10 Explicit cursor attributes

i) %FOUND - It is boolean attribute. It returns TRUE if the previous fetch returns a row and FALSE if it doesn't.

15 ii) %NOTFOUND - It is boolean attribute. It returns FALSE if the previous fetch returns a row and TRUE if it doesn't. This is often used as the exit condition for the fetch loop.

20 iii) %ISOPEN - This attribute is used to determine whether or not the associated cursor is open. If so it returns TRUE otherwise FALSE.

### Cursor Fetch loops

i) Simple loop  
LOOP

25 Fetch cursorname into list of variables;  
EXIT WHEN cursor\_name % NOTFOUND  
sequence of statements;  
END LOOP;

ii) While loop

30 FETCH cursorname INTO list of variables;  
WHILE cursorname % FOUND LOOP  
sequence of statements;  
FETCH cursorname INTO list of variables;  
END LOOP;

### iii) Cursor For loop

FOR variable-name IN cursorname LOOP

-- an implicit fetch is done here.

-- process the fetch records.

Sequence of statements;

END LOOP;

### PL/SQL Parameterized Cursor

It passes the parameters into a cursor and use them into query.

It defines only data type of parameter and not need to define its length.

DECLARE

cursor cursorname (parameter-list)

IS

cursor query;

END;

### Conclusion

Thus, we learned concept of cursor in PL/SQL.

```
> create table o_rollcall(roll_no int,namevarchar(20),address  
varchar(20));
```

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.28 sec)

```
> create table n_rollcall(roll_no int,namevarchar(20),address  
varchar(20));
```

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.27 sec)

```
> insert into o_rollcall values('1','Hitesh','Nandura');Query OK, 1  
row affected (0.05 sec)
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> insert into o_rollcall values('2','Piyush','MP');Query OK, 1  
row affected (0.06 sec)
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```
> insert into o_rollcall values('3','Ashley','Nsk');Query OK, 1  
row affected (0.05 sec)
```

```
> insert into o_rollcall values('4','Kalpesh','Dhule');Query OK, 1  
row affected (0.05 sec)
```

```
> insert into o_rollcall values('5','Abhi','Satara');Query OK, 1  
row affected (0.04 sec)
```

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> delimiter //
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```
> create procedure p3(in r1 int)  
-> begin  
-> declare r2 int;  
-> declare exit_loop boolean;  
-> declare c1 cursor for select roll_no from o_rollcallwhere  
roll_no>r1;  
-> declare continue handler for not found setexit_loop=true;  
-> open c1;  
-> e_loop:loop  
-> fetch c1 into r2;  
-> if not exists(select * from n_rollcall whereroll_no=r2)
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-> then
-> insert into n_rollcall select * from o_rollcall where
roll_no=r2;
-> end if;
-> if exit_loop
-> then
-> close c1;
-> leave e_loop;
-> end if;
-> end loop e_loop;
-> end
-> //

```

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.00 sec)

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> call p3(3);
-> //

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Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.10 sec)

```

> select * from n_rollcall;
-> //

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+-----+-----+-----+
| roll_no | name    | address |
+-----+-----+-----+
|      4 | Kalpesh | Dhule   |
|      5 | Abhi    | Satara  |
+-----+-----+-----+

```

2 rows in set (0.00 sec)

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> call p3(0);
-> //

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Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.22 sec)

```

> select * from n_rollcall;
-> //

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+-----+-----+-----+
| roll_no | name    | address |
+-----+-----+-----+
|      4 | Kalpesh | Dhule   |
|      5 | Abhi    | Satara  |
|      1 | Hitesh  | Nandura |
|      2 | Piyush  | MP      |
|      3 | Ashley  | Nsk     |
+-----+-----+-----+

```

5 rows in set (0.00 sec)

```
> insert into o_rollcall values('6','Patil','Kolhapur');
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-> //
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Query OK, 1 row affected (0.04 sec)

```
> call p3(4);
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-> //
```

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.05 sec)

```
> select * from n_rollcall;
```

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-> //
```

```

+-----+-----+-----+
| roll_no | name    | address |
+-----+-----+-----+
|      4 | Kalpesh | Dhule   |
|      5 | Abhi    | Satara  |
|      1 | Hitesh  | Nandura |
|      2 | Piyush  | MP      |
|      3 | Ashley  | Nsk     |
|      6 | Patil   | Kolhapur|
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```

6 rows in set (0.00 sec)