

# PL-SQL Programming Sanjay Patwardhan



## Agenda

- Database concepts
- Introduction to programming blocks
- Basic programming
- 👃 Q&A
- Advance programming
- ♣ Q&A
- Object handling
- Exception handling
- **♣** Q&A





## **Database Concepts**

- Interrelated data
- Set of programs to access that data

## **Advantages:**

- Controlling redundancy
- Sharing data
- Restricting unauthorized data
- Providing multiple interfaces
- Enforcing data constraints
- Providing backup and recovery
- Availability of updated information



#### Three Levels Of Abstraction

## **Physical Level**

Lowest level

Describes how the database is actually stored

## **Conceptual Level**

**Next higher level** 

It describes what data are stored and the relationship between data

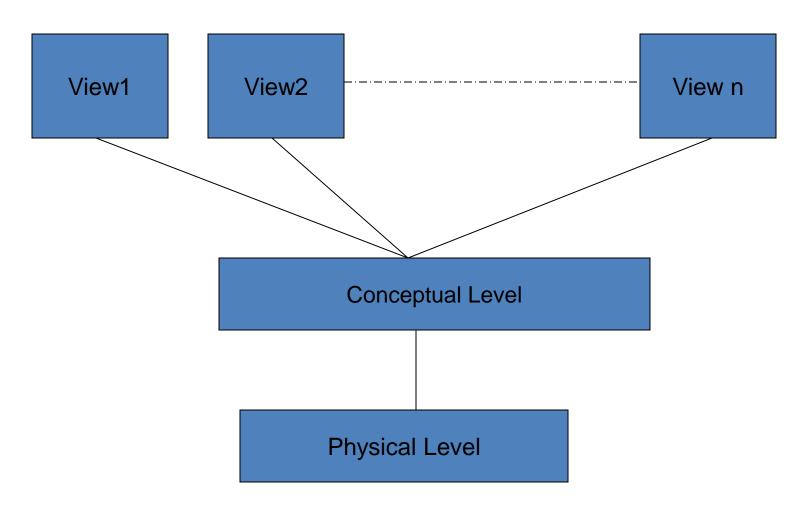
#### **View Level**

**Highest level** 

It describes only the part of entire database



#### Three Levels Of Abstraction





#### **Data Models**

## Object based logical model

E-R diagram

## Record based logical model

**Hierarchical Model** 

**Relational Model** 

**Network Model** 

#### **Multi Dimensional model**

**ODM model (Object Dimension Model)** 



## **Database Administrator**

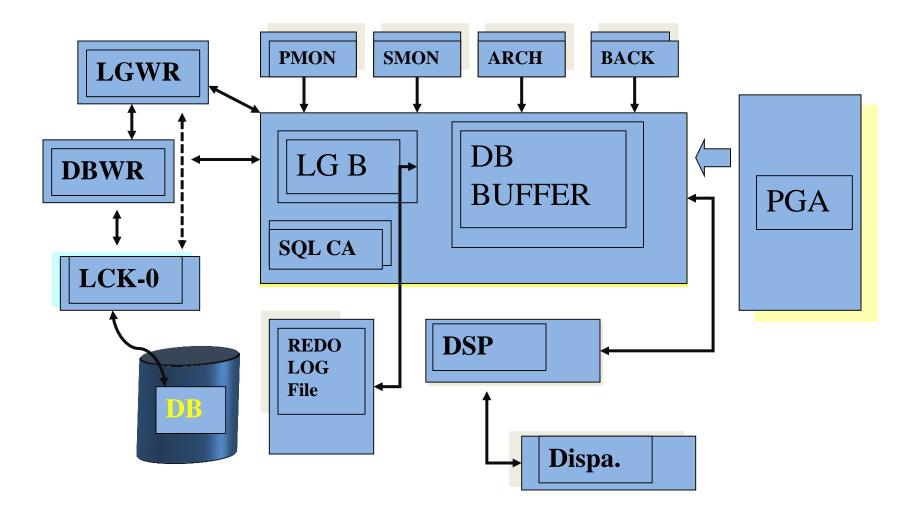
- Scheme definition
- Granting of authorization for data access
- Integrity constraint specification

## Database Manager

- Integrity enforcement
- Security enforcement
- Backup and recovery
- Concurrency control

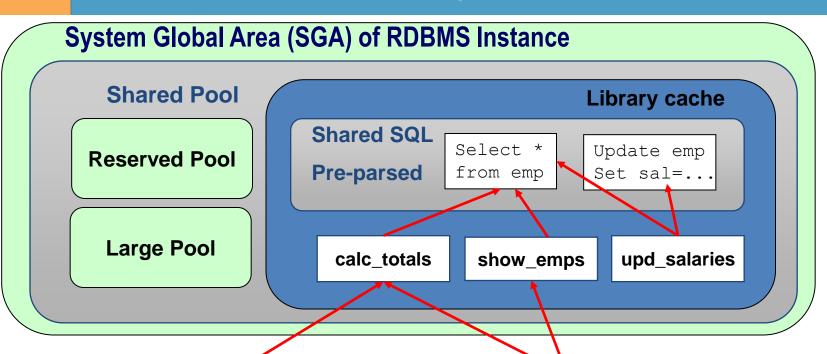


## **RDBMS** Engine





#### PL/SQL Runtime Memory Architecture



#### Session 1

emp\_rec emp%rowtype;
tot\_tab pkg.tottabtype;

**Session 1 memory** 

**UGA – User Global Area** 

**PGA - Process Global Area** 

emp\_rec emp%rowtype;
tot\_tab pkg.tottabtype;

**Session 2 memory** 

**UGA – User Global Area** 

**PGA - Process Global Area** 

**Session 2** 



## Questions...





#### Introduction to PLSQL

## What is PL/SQL?

Procedural Language extension to SQL



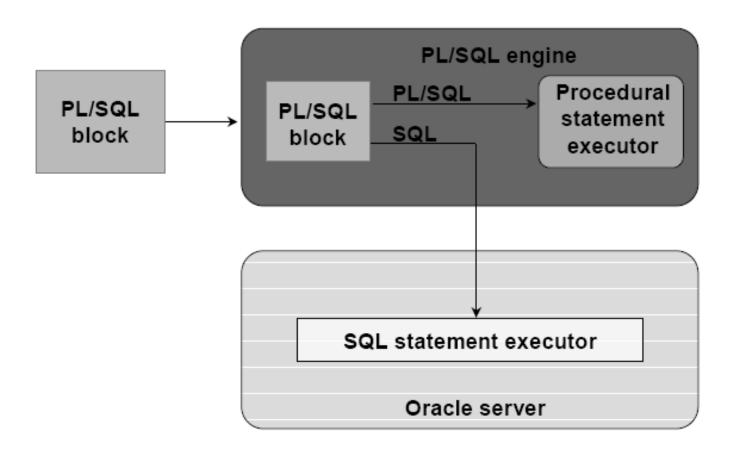
#### About PL/SQL

 PL/SQL is the procedural extension to SQL with design features of programming languages.

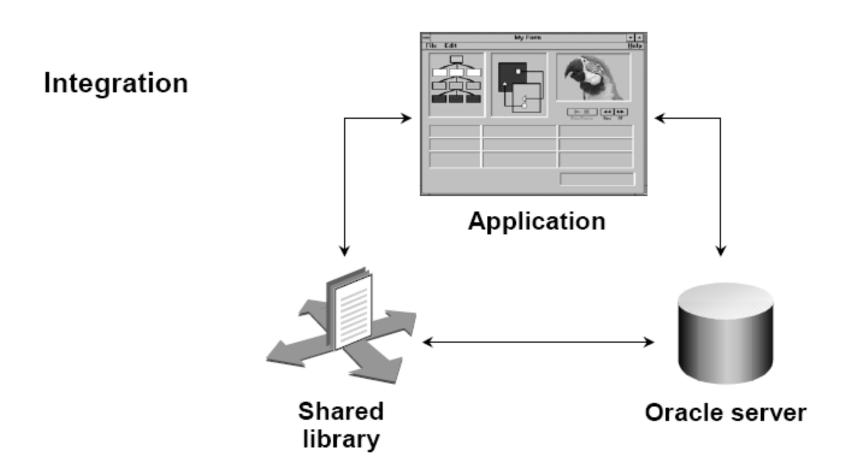
 Data manipulation and query statements of SQL are included within procedural units of code.



#### PL/SQL Environment

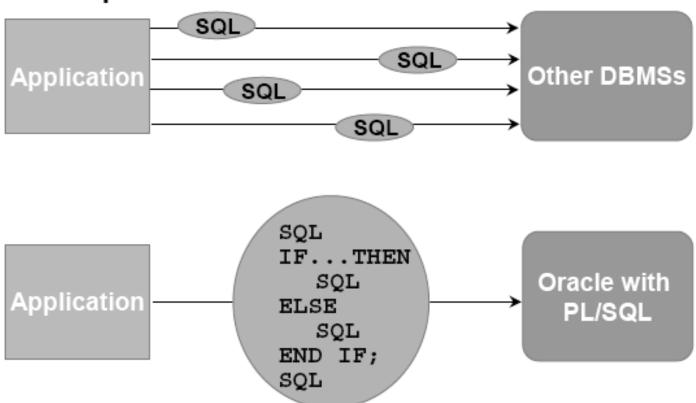






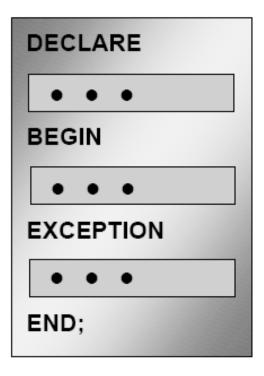


#### Improved performance





Modularize program development





- PL/SQL is Object Oriented.
- PL/SQL is portable.
- You can declare variables.
- You can program with procedural language control structures.
- PL/SQL can handle errors.



## Benefits of Subprograms

- Easy maintenance
- Improved data security and integrity
- Improved performance
- Improved code clarity
- Reusability



## Summary

PL/SQL is an extension to SQL.

Blocks of PL/SQL code are passed to and processed by a PL/SQL engine.

#### Benefits of PL/SQL:

- Integration
- Improved performance
- Portability
- Modularity of program development

Subprograms are named PL/SQL blocks, declared as either procedures or functions.

You can invoke subprograms from different environments.



## What is required to build a program?

Structure
Declaring Variables
Process statements
Output



#### Objectives

After completing this Section, you should be able to:

- Recognize the basic PL/SQL block and its sections
- Describe the significance of variables in PL/SQL
- Declare PL/SQL variables
- Execute a PL/SQL block



#### PL/SQL

- Allows using general programming tools with SQL, for example: loops, conditions, functions, etc.
- This allows a lot more freedom than general SQL, and is lighter-weight than JDBC.
- We write PL/SQL code in a regular file, for example PL.sql, and load it with @PL in the sqlplus console.



#### PL/SQL Blocks

PL/SQL code is built of Blocks, with a unique structure.

There are two types of blocks in PL/SQL:

1. Anonymous Blocks: have no name (like scripts) can be written and executed immediately in SQLPLUS can be used in a trigger

#### 2. Named Blocks:

**Procedures** 

**Functions** 



#### PL/SQL Block Structure

#### DECLARE (Optional)

Variables, cursors, user-defined exceptions

#### BEGIN (Mandatory)

- SQL statements
- PL/SQL statements

EXCEPTION (Optional)

Actions to perform when errors occur

END; (Mandatory)



#### Anonymous Block Structure:

## **DECLARE** (optional)

/\* Here you declare the variables you will use in this block \*/

## **BEGIN** (mandatory)

/\* Here you define the executable statements (what the block DOES!)\*/

## **EXCEPTION** (optional)

/\* Here you define the actions that take place if an exception is thrown during the run of this block \*/

**END**; (mandatory)

Always put a new line with only a / at the end of a block! (This tells Oracle to run the block)

A correct completion of a block will generate the following message:

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed



## **Executing Statements and PL/SQL Blocks**

```
DECLARE
  v variable VARCHAR2(5);
BEGIN
  SELECT column name
  INTO v variable
  FROM table name;
EXCEPTION
  WHEN exception name THEN
END;
```



## **Block Types**

#### Anonymous

[DECLARE]

BEGIN

--statements

[EXCEPTION]

END;

#### Procedure

PROCEDURE name

BEGIN

--statements

[EXCEPTION]

END;

#### Function

FUNCTION name RETURN datatype IS

BEGIN

--statements RETURN value; [EXCEPTION]

END;



## **Program Constructs**

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Anonymous blocks

Application procedures or functions

Application packages

Application triggers

Object types

## Database Server Constructs

Anonymous blocks

Stored procedures or functions

Stored packages

Database triggers

Object types



#### **Use of Variables**

- Scope of Variables
  - Global
  - Local
- Variables can be used for:
  - Temporary storage of data
  - Manipulation of stored values
  - Reusability
  - Ease of maintenance



## Handling Variables in PL/SQL

- Declare and initialize variables in the declaration section.
- Assign new values to variables in the executable section.
- Pass values into PL/SQL blocks through parameters.
- View results through output variables.



## Types of Variables

- PL/SQL variables:
- Scalar
- Composite
- Reference
- LOB (large objects)
- Non-PL/SQL variables: Bind and host variables



#### Using iSQL\*Plus Variables Within PL/SQL Blocks

- PL/SQL does not have input or output capability of its own.
- You can reference substitution variables within a PL/SQL block with a preceding ampersand.
- iSQL\*Plus host (or "bind") variables can be used to pass run time values out of the PL/SQL block back to the iSQL\*Plus environment.



## Types of Variables



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## Declaring PL/SQL Variables

#### Syntax:

```
identifier [CONSTANT] datatype [NOT NULL]
[:= | DEFAULT expr];
```

#### **Examples:**



## Guidelines for Declaring PL/SQL Variables

- Follow naming conventions.
- Initialize variables designated as NOT NULL and CONSTANT.
- Declare one identifier per line.
- Initialize identifiers by using the assignment operator (:=) or the DEFAULT reserved word.

identifier := expr;



#### Naming Rules

- Two variables can have the same name, provided they are in different blocks.
- The variable name (identifier) should not be the same as the name of table columns used in the block.

Adopt a naming convention for PL/SQL identifiers: for example, v\_employee\_id



# Variable Initialization and Keywords

Assignment operator (:=)
DEFAULT keyword
NOT NULL constraint

#### Syntax:

```
identifier := expr;
```

#### Examples:

```
v_hiredate := '01-JAN-2001';
```

```
v_ename := 'Maduro';
```



#### Scalar Data Types

- Hold a single value
- Have no internal components

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## Base Scalar Data Types

- CHAR [(maximum\_length)]
- VARCHAR2 (maximum\_length)
- LONG
- LONG RAW
- NUMBER [(precision, scale)]
- BINARY\_INTEGER
- PLS INTEGER
- BOOLEAN
- DATE
- TIMESTAMP
- TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE
- TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE
- INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH
- INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND



# Base Scalar Data Types

| Data Type                    | Description  |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| CHAR [(maximum_length)]      | Base type for fixed-length character data up to 32,767 bytes. If you do not specify a maximum_length, the default length is set to 1.  |  |  |
| VARCHAR2<br>(maximum_length) | Base type for variable-length character data up to 32,767 bytes. There is no default size for VARCHAR2 variables and constants.  |  |  |
| LONG                         | Base type for variable-length character data up to 32,760 bytes. Use the LONG data type to store variable-length character strings. You can insert any LONG value into a LONG database column because the maximum width of a LONG column is 2**31 bytes. However, you cannot retrieve a value longer than 32760 bytes from a LONG column into a LONG variable. |  |  |
| LONG RAW                     | Base type for binary data and byte strings up to 32,760 bytes. LONG RAW data is not interpreted by PL/SQL.   |  |  |
| NUMBER [(precision, scale)]  | Number having precision $p$ and scale $s$ . The precision $p$ can range from 1 to 38. The scale $s$ can range from -84 to 127.   |  |  |

| BINARY_INTEGER | Base type for integers between -2,147,483,647 and 2,147,483,647.  |
|----------------|---|
| PLS_INTEGER    | Base type for signed integers between -2,147,483,647 and 2,147,483,647. PLS_INTEGER values require less storage and are faster than NUMBER and BINARY_INTEGER values. |
| BOOLEAN        | Base type that stores one of three possible values used for logical calculations: TRUE, FALSE, or NULL.   |



# LARGE OBJECT (LOB) DATATYPES

| Data Type Syntax | Oracle 9i                               | Oracle 10g   | Oracle 11g   | Explanation (if applicable)   |
|------------------|---|--|--|---|
| bfile            | Maximum file size of 4GB.               | Maximum file size of 2 <sup>32</sup> -1 bytes.   | Maximum file size of 2 <sup>64</sup> -1 bytes.   | File locators that point to a binary file on the server file system (outside the database). |
| blob             | Store up to 4GB of binary data.         | Store up to (4 gigabytes -1) * (the value of the CHUNK parameter of LOB storage).                        | Store up to (4 gigabytes -1) * (the value of the CHUNK parameter of LOB storage).                        | Stores unstructured binary large objects.   |
| clob             | Store up to 4GB of character data.      | Store up to (4 gigabytes -1) * (the value of the CHUNK parameter of LOB storage) of character data.      | Store up to (4 gigabytes -1) * (the value of the CHUNK parameter of LOB storage) of character data.      |   |
| nclob            | Store up to 4GB of character text data. | Store up to (4 gigabytes -1) * (the value of the CHUNK parameter of LOB storage) of character text data. | Store up to (4 gigabytes -1) * (the value of the CHUNK parameter of LOB storage) of character text data. | Stores unicode data.  |



### New data types

The new data types available in Oracle 11g are:

Binary XML type - up to 15 x faster over XML LOBs.

New "SIMPLE\_INTEGER" data type - always NOT NULL

DICOM Medical Images.

3D Spatial Support.

RFID tag data types.

New CONTINUE statement - starts the next iteration of the loop Ability to reference sequences (no need to select seq.nextval into :var from dual)



### Important PL/SQL delimiters

```
+, -, *, / arithmetic operators
       statement terminator
         assignment operator
         association operator
         strings concatenation operator
         component indicator
         attribute operator
         character string delimiter
         single line comment
/*. */
         multi line comment delimiters
         range operator
=, >, >=, <, <= relational operators
!=, ~=, ^=, <> not equal relational operators
is null, like, between PL/SQL relational operators
```





#### Scalar Variable Declarations

#### **Examples:**



#### **DECLARE**

# **Syntax**

```
identifier [CONSTANT] datatype [NOT NULL]
[:= | DEFAULT expr];
```

### **Examples**

Notice that PL/SQL includes all SQL types, and more...

```
Declare
birthday DATE;
age NUMBER(2) NOT NULL := 27;
name VARCHAR2(13) := 'Levi';
magic CONSTANT NUMBER := 77;
valid BOOLEAN NOT NULL := TRUE;
```



### Declaring Variables with the %TYPE Attribute

#### Examples

Accessing column sname in table Sailors

```
DECLARE
    sname
    fav_boat
    my_fav_boat
'Pinta';
```

```
Sailors.sname%TYPE;
VARCHAR2(30);
fav_boat%TYPE :=
```

Accessing another variable



# Declaring with the %ROWTYPE Attribute

Declare a variable with the type of a ROW of a table.

```
Accessing table Reserves

reserves_record Reserves%ROWTYPE;
```

And how do we access the fields in reserves\_record?

```
reserves_record.sid:=9;
Reserves_record.bid:=877;
```



## Creating a PL/SQL Record

A record is a type of variable which we can define (like 'struct' in C or 'object' in Java)

```
DECLARE
 TYPE sailor record type IS RECORD
    (sname
               VARCHAR2 (10),
    sid
                VARCHAR2 (9),
    age NUMBER(3),
    rating NUMBER(3));
 sailor record sailor record type;
BEGIN
 Sailor_record.sname:='peter';
 Sailor_record.age:=45;
```



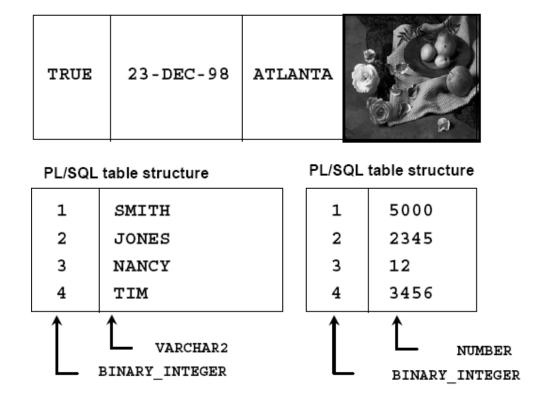
### **Declaring Boolean Variables**

Only the values TRUE, FALSE, and NULL can be assigned to a Boolean variable.

- The variables are compared by the logical operators AND, OR, and NOT.
- The variables always yield TRUE, FALSE, or NULL.
- Arithmetic, character, and date expressions can be used to return a Boolean value.

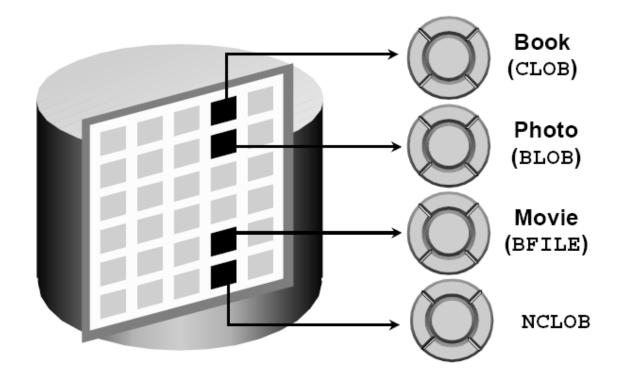


## Composite Data Types





# LOB Data Type Variables





### **Using Bind Variables**

To reference a bind variable in PL/SQL, you must prefix its name with a colon (:).

**Example:** 

```
VARIABLE g_salary NUMBER

BEGIN

SELECT salary

INTO :g_salary

FROM employees

WHERE employee_id = 178;

END;

/

PRINT g_salary
```



## Referencing Non-PL/SQL Variables

Store the annual salary into a iSQL\*Plus host variable.

- Reference non-PL/SQL variables as host variables.
- Prefix the references with a colon (:).
  :q\_monthly\_sal := v\_sal / 12;

```
VARIABLE g_monthly_sal NUMBER

DEFINE p_annual_sal = 50000

SET VERIFY OFF

DECLARE

v_sal NUMBER(9,2) := &p_annual_sal;

BEGIN

:g_monthly_sal := v_sal/12;

END;

/

PRINT g_monthly_sal
```



### DBMS\_OUTPUT.PUT\_LINE

- An Oracle-supplied packaged procedure
- An alternative for displaying data from a PL/SQL block
- Must be enabled in iSQL\*Plus with SET SERVEROUTPUT ON

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
DEFINE p_annual_sal = 60000
```



#### Summary

In this Section you should have learned that:

- PL/SQL blocks are composed of the following sections:
- Declarative (optional)
- Executable (required)
- Exception handling (optional)
- A PL/SQL block can be an anonymous block, procedure, or function.



#### Summary

#### In this Section you should have learned that:

- PL/SQL identifiers:
- Are defined in the declarative section
- Can be of scalar, composite, reference, or LOB data type
- Can be based on the structure of another variable or database object
- Can be initialized
- Variables declared in an external environment such as iSQL\*Plus are called host variables.
- Use DBMS\_OUTPUT.PUT\_LINE to display data from a PL/SQL block.



# Writing Control Structures



#### IF Statements

#### Syntax:

```
IF condition THEN
   statements;
[ELSIF condition THEN
   statements;]
[ELSE
   statements;]
END IF;
```

If the employee name is Gietz, set the Manager ID to 102.

```
IF UPPER(v_last_name) = 'GIETZ' THEN
  v_mgr := 102;
END IF;
```



## Simple IF Statements

If the last name is Vargas:

- Set job ID to SA\_REP
- Set department number to 80



## Compound IF Statements

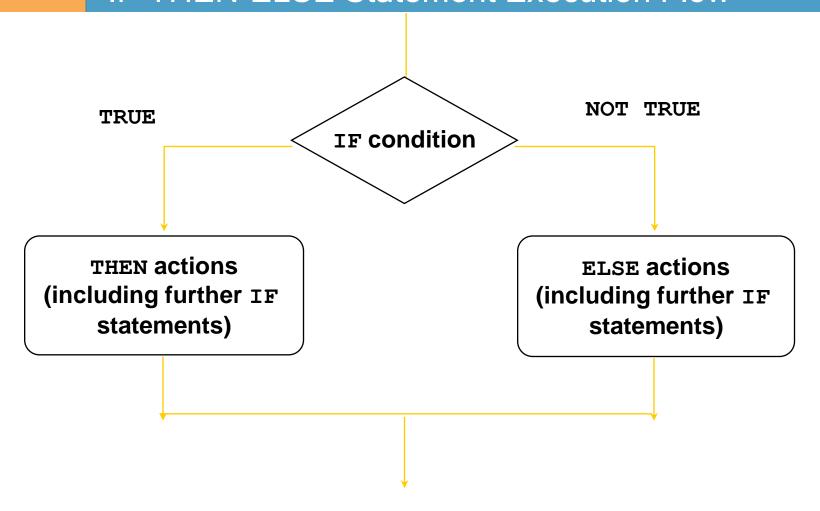
If the last name is Vargas and the salary is more than 6500:

Set department number to 60.

```
. . .
IF v_ename = 'Vargas' AND salary > 6500 THEN
   v_deptno := 60;
END IF;
. . .
```



#### **IF-THEN-ELSE Statement Execution Flow**





#### **IF-THEN-ELSE Statements**

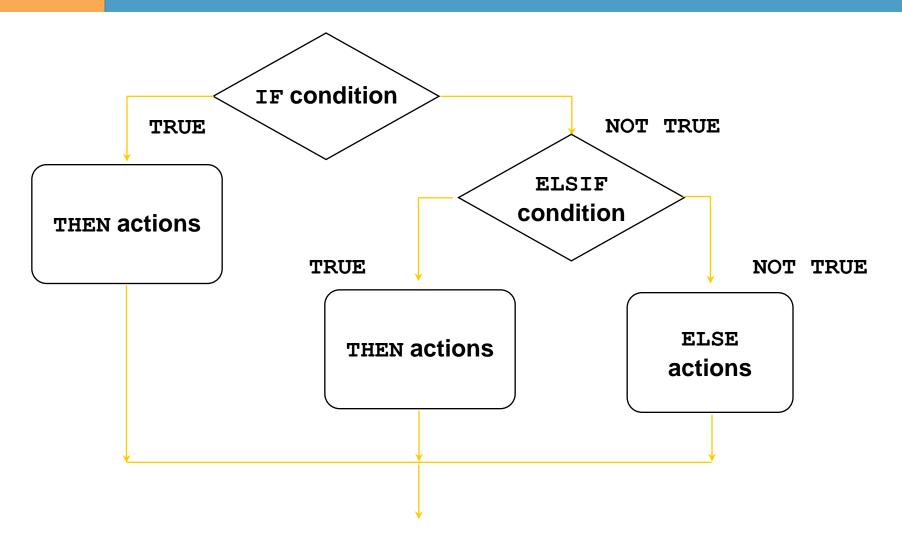
Set a Boolean flag to TRUE if the hire date is greater than five years; otherwise, set the Boolean flag to FALSE.

```
DECLARE
   v_hire_date DATE := '12-Dec-1990';
   v_five_years BOOLEAN;
BEGIN
. . .

IF MONTHS_BETWEEN(SYSDATE, v_hire_date)/12 > 5 THEN
   v_five_years := TRUE;
ELSE
   v_five_years := FALSE;
END IF;
. . . .
```



#### **IF-THEN-ELSIF Statement Execution Flow**





#### **IF-THEN-ELSIF Statements**

For a given value, calculate a percentage of that value based on a condition.

Example:

```
IF    v_start > 100 THEN
        v_start := 0.2 * v_start;

ELSIF v_start >= 50 THEN
        v_start := 0.5 * v_start;

ELSE
        v_start := 0.1 * v_start;

END IF;
. . . .
```



### **CASE Expressions**

- A CASE expression selects a result and returns it.
- To select the result, the CASE expression uses an expression whose value is used to select one of several alternatives.

```
CASE selector
WHEN expression1 THEN result1
WHEN expression2 THEN result2
...
WHEN expressionN THEN resultN
[ELSE resultN+1;]
END;
```



### CASE Expressions: Example

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
   v grade CHAR(1) := UPPER('&p grade');
   v appraisal VARCHAR2(20);
BEGIN
    v appraisal :=
      CASE v grade
         WHEN 'A' THEN 'Excellent'
         WHEN 'B' THEN 'Very Good'
         WHEN 'C' THEN 'Good'
         ELSE 'No such grade'
      END;
DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE ('Grade: '|| v grade || '
                       Appraisal ' || v appraisal);
END;
```



#### **Boolean Conditions**

What is the value of V\_FLAG in each case?

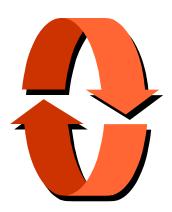
v\_flag := v\_reorder\_flag AND v\_available\_flag;

| V_REORDER_FLAG | V_AVAILABLE_FLAG | V_FLAG |
|----------------|------------------|--------|
| TRUE           | TRUE             | ?      |
| TRUE           | FALSE            | ?      |
| NULL           | TRUE             | ?      |
| NULL           | FALSE            | ?      |



#### **Iterative Control: LOOP Statements**

- Loops repeat a statement or sequence of statements multiple times.
- There are three loop types:
  - Basic loop
  - FOR loop
  - WHILE loop





#### **Basic Loops**

#### Syntax:

```
LOOP -- delimiter

statement1; -- statements

EXIT [WHEN condition]; -- EXIT statement

END LOOP; -- delimiter
```

```
condition is a Boolean variable or
   expression (TRUE, FALSE, or NULL);
```



#### Basic Loops

#### Example:

```
DECLARE
 v country id locations.country id%TYPE := 'CA';
 v_location_id locations.location_id%TYPE;
 v counter NUMBER(2) := 1;
        locations.city%TYPE := 'Montreal';
 v city
BEGIN
  SELECT MAX (location id) INTO v location id FROM locations
  WHERE country id = v country id;
  LOOP
    INSERT INTO locations (location id, city, country id)
   VALUES((v location id + v counter), v city, v country id);
   v counter := v counter + 1;
   EXIT WHEN v counter > 3;
  END LOOP;
END;
```



# WHILE Loops

#### Syntax:

```
WHILE condition LOOP

statement1;

statement2;

evaluated at the beginning of each iteration.
```



#### WHILE Loops

```
DECLARE
  v country id locations.country id%TYPE := 'CA';
 v location id
                    locations.location id%TYPE;
                    locations.city%TYPE := 'Montreal';
 v city
 v counter
                    NUMBER := 1;
BEGIN
  SELECT MAX (location id) INTO v location id FROM locations
  WHERE country id = v country id;
  WHILE v counter <= 3 LOOP
    INSERT INTO locations (location id, city, country id)
    VALUES((v location id + v counter), v city, v country id);
    v counter := v counter + 1;
  END LOOP:
END;
```



### FOR Loops

```
FOR counter IN [REVERSE]
    lower_bound..upper_bound LOOP
    statement1;
    statement2;
    . . .
END LOOP;
```

- Use a FOR loop to shortcut the test for the number of iterations.
- Do not declare the counter; it is declared implicitly.
- □ 'lower\_bound .. upper\_bound' is required syntax.



### FOR Loops

Insert three new locations IDs for the country code of CA and the city of Montreal.

```
DECLARE
  v_country_id locations.country_id%TYPE := 'CA';
  v_location_id locations.location_id%TYPE;
  v_city locations.city%TYPE := 'Montreal';

BEGIN
  SELECT MAX(location_id) INTO v_location_id
    FROM locations
    WHERE country_id = v_country_id;

FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP
    INSERT INTO locations(location_id, city, country_id)
    VALUES((v_location_id + i), v_city, v_country_id);
    END LOOP;

END;
//
```



## Guidelines While Using Loops

- Use the basic loop when the statements inside the loop must execute at least once.
- Use the WHILE loop if the condition has to be evaluated at the start of each iteration.
- Use a FOR loop if the number of iterations is known.



# Writing Explicit Cursors



### Objectives

After completing this Section, you should be able to do the following:

Distinguish between an implicit and an explicit cursor Discuss when and why to use an explicit cursor Use a PL/SQL record variable Write a cursor FOR loop



#### **About Cursors**

Every SQL statement executed by the Oracle Server has an individual cursor associated with it:

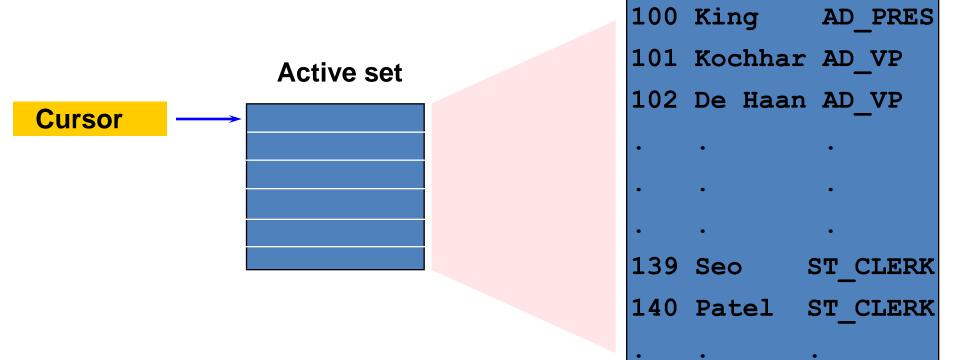
Implicit cursors: Declared for all DML and PL/SQL SELECT statements

Explicit cursors: Declared and named by the programmer



## **Explicit Cursor Functions**

#### **Table**



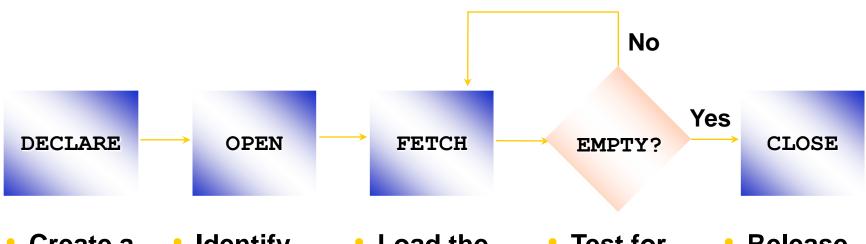


#### Cursors

each SQL query produces a result set - cursor
set of rows
resides on the server in a session's process memory
PL/SQL program can read the result set in iterating fashion

|   | EMP_NO | EMP_NAME | EMP_JOB | EMP_HIREDATE | EMP_DEPTNO |
|---|--------|----------|---------|--------------|------------|
|   | 380    | KING     | CLERK   | 1-JAN-1982   | 10         |
|   | 381    | BLAKE    | ANALYST | 11-JAN-1982  | 30         |
| į | 392    | CLARK    | CLERK   | 1-FEB-1981   | 30         |
|   | 569    | SMITH    | CLERK   | 2-DEC-1980   | 20         |
|   | 566    | JONES    | MANAGER | 5-JUL-1978   | 30         |
|   | 788    | SCOTT    | ANALYST | 20-JUL-1981  | 10         |
|   | 876    | ADAMS    | CLERK   | 14-MAR-1980  | 10         |
|   | 902    | FORD     | ANALYST | 25-SEP-1978  | 20         |

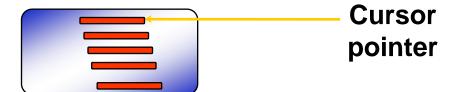




- Create a named SQL area
- Identify the active set
- Load the current row into variables
- Test for existing rows
- Return to FETCH if rows are found
- Release the active set



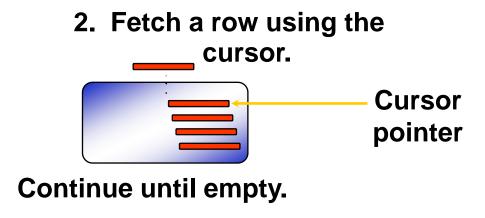
Open the cursor 1. Open the cursor.



- 2. Fetch a row
- 3. Close the Cursor



- 1. Open the cursor
- 2. Fetch a row

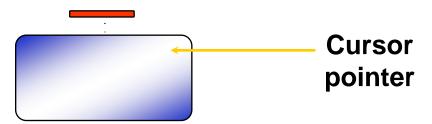


3. Close the Cursor



- 1. Open the cursor
- 2. Fetch a row
- 3. Close the Cursor

#### 3. Close the cursor.





#### **Declaring the Cursor**

#### Syntax:

CURSOR cursor\_name IS
 select statement;

Do not include the INTO clause in the cursor declaration.

If processing rows in a specific sequence is required, use the ORDER BY clause in the query.



## **Declaring the Cursor**

Example:

```
DECLARE
   CURSOR emp_cursor IS
     SELECT employee_id, last_name
     FROM employees;

CURSOR dept_cursor IS
     SELECT *
     FROM departments
     WHERE location_id = 170;

BEGIN
...
```



#### Opening the Cursor

#### Syntax:

#### OPEN cursor name;

Open the cursor to execute the query and identify the active set.

If the query returns no rows, no exception is raised.

Use cursor attributes to test the outcome after a fetch.



### Fetching Data from the Cursor

#### Syntax:

Retrieve the current row values into variables.

Include the same number of variables.

Match each variable to correspond to the columns positionally.

Test to see whether the cursor contains rows.



## Fetching Data from the Cursor

#### Example:

```
LOOP
  FETCH emp_cursor INTO v_empno,v_ename;
  EXIT WHEN ...;
    -- Process the retrieved data
...
END LOOP;
```



### Closing the Cursor

Syntax:

CLOSE

cursor name;

Close the cursor after completing the processing of the rows.

Reopen the cursor, if required.

Do not attempt to fetch data from a cursor after it has been closed.



# **Explicit Cursor Attributes**

Obtain status information about a cursor.

| Attribute | Туре    | Description   |
|-----------|---------|---|
| %ISOPEN   | Boolean | Evaluates to TRUE if the cursor is open   |
| %NOTFOUND | Boolean | Evaluates to TRUE if the most recent fetch does not return a row                  |
| %FOUND    | Boolean | Evaluates to TRUE if the most recent fetch returns a row; complement of %NOTFOUND |
| %ROWCOUNT | Number  | Evaluates to the total number of rows returned so far                             |



#### The %ISOPEN Attribute

Fetch rows only when the cursor is open.

Use the %ISOPEN cursor attribute before performing a fetch to test whether the cursor is open.

Example:

```
IF NOT emp_cursor%ISOPEN THEN
    OPEN emp_cursor;
END IF;
LOOP
    FETCH emp_cursor...
```



## **Controlling Multiple Fetches**

Process several rows from an explicit cursor using a loop.

Fetch a row with each iteration.

Use explicit cursor attributes to test the success of each fetch.



#### The %NOTFOUND and %ROWCOUNT Attributes

Use the %ROWCOUNT cursor attribute to retrieve an exact number of rows.

Use the %NOTFOUND cursor attribute to determine when to exit the loop.



## Example

```
DECLARE
      v empno employees.employee id%TYPE;
      v ename employees.last name%TYPE;
      CURSOR emp cursor IS
        SELECT employee id, last name
        FROM employees;
    BEGIN
      OPEN emp_cursor;
      LOOP
        FETCH emp cursor INTO v empno, v ename;
        EXIT WHEN emp cursor%ROWCOUNT > 10 OR
                           emp cursor%NOTFOUND;
        DBMS OUTPUT.PUT LINE (TO CHAR (v empno)
                               ||' '|| v ename);
      END LOOP;
      CLOSE emp_cursor;
END ;
```



#### **Cursors and Records**

Process the rows of the active set by fetching values into a PL/SQL RECORD.

```
CURSOR emp_cursor IS

SELECT employee_id, last_name
FROM employees;
emp_record emp_cursor%ROWTYPE;

BEGIN

OPEN emp_cursor;
LOOP
FETCH emp_cursor INTO emp_record;.....
```

```
emp_record
employee_id last_name
```

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### **Cursor FOR Loops**

```
Syntax:
FOR record name IN cursor name LOOP
  statement1;
  statement2;
END LOOP;
The cursor FOR loop is a shortcut to process explicit
 cursors.
Implicit open, fetch, exit, and close occur.
The record is implicitly declared.
```



## Program to Print Odd even number

```
Sample Code
DECLARE
x NUMBER := 100;
BEGIN
FOR i IN 1..10 LOOP
IF MOD(i,2) = 0 THEN -- i is even
       INSERT INTO temp VALUES (i, x, 'i is even');
  FLSE
INSERT INTO temp VALUES (i, x, 'i is odd');
END IF:
x := x + 100;
                             SQL> SELECT * FROM temp ORDER BY col1;
END LOOP;
                             NUM COL1 NUM COL2 CHAR COL
COMMIT;
                             1 00 i is odd
                             2 200 i is even
END;
                             3 300 i is odd
                             4 400 i is even
                             5 500 i is odd
                             6 600 i is even
                             7 700 i is odd
                             8 800 i is even
                             9 900 i is odd
                             10 1000 i is even
```



### **Cursor FOR Loops**

Print a list of the employees who work for the sales department.



# Cursor FOR Loops Using Subqueries

```
No need to declare the cursor. Example:
```



#### **BULK COLLECT**

The BULK COLLECT clause lets you bulk-bind entire columns of Oracle data. That way, you can fetch all rows from the result set at once.

```
DECLARE

TYPE NumTab IS TABLE OF emp.empno%TYPE;

TYPE NameTab IS TABLE OF emp.ename%TYPE;

nums NumTab; names NameTab;

CURSOR c1 IS SELECT empno, ename FROM emp

WHERE job = 'CLERK';

BEGIN

OPEN c1;

FETCH c1 BULK COLLECT INTO nums, names;

... CLOSE c1;

END;
```



## Example- ROWCOUNT & Top paid

Program To fetch the names and salaries of the five highest-paid employees:

The following PL/SQL block uses %ROWCOUNT to fetch the names and salaries of the five highest-paid employees:

```
DECLARE
CURSOR c1 is SELECT ename, empno, sal FROM emp ORDER BY sal
DESC; -- start with highest-paid employee
my ename CHAR(10);
my empno NUMBER(4);
my sal NUMBER (7,2);
BEGIN
OPEN c1;
LOOP FETCH c1 INTO my ename, my empno, my sal;
EXIT WHEN (c1%ROWCOUNT > 5) OR (c1%NOTFOUND); INSERT INTO temp
VALUES (my sal, my empno, my ename);
COMMIT;
END LOOP;
CLOSE c1;
END;
```



## Passing Parameters to a Cursor FOR Loop

You can pass parameters to the cursor in a cursor FOR loop.

In the following example, you pass a department number.

Then, you compute the total wages paid to employees in that department etc.

```
DECLARE
  CURSOR emp cursor (dnum NUMBER) IS SELECT sal, comm FROM emp WHERE deptno =
  dnum;
  total wages NUMBER(11,2) := 0;
  high paid NUMBER(4) := 0;
  higher comm NUMBER(4) := 0;
  BEGIN /* no of iterations = the no. of rows returned by emp cursor. */
        FOR emp record IN emp cursor(20) LOOP
          emp record.comm := NVL(emp record.comm, 0);
          total wages := total wages + emp record.sal + emp record.comm;
                    IF emp record.sal > 2000.00 THEN
                           high paid := high paid + 1;
                    END IF:
                   IF emp record.comm > emp record.sal THEN
                           higher comm := higher comm + 1;
                    END IF;
             END LOOP;
  INSERT INTO temp VALUES (high paid, higher comm, 'Total Wages: ' ||
  TO CHAR(total wages));
  COMMIT;
10 END;
```



# Managing Subprograms



#### **Functions and Procedures**

- Up until now, our code was in an anonymous block
- It was run immediately
- It is useful to put code in a function or procedure so it can be called several times
- Once we create a procedure or function in a Database, it will remain until deleted (like a table).



### **Creating Procedures**

#### Modes:

IN: procedure must be called with a value for the parameter. Value cannot be changed

**OUT:** procedure must be called with a variable for the parameter. Changes to the parameter are seen by the user (i.e., call by reference)

IN OUT: value can be sent, and changes to the parameter are seen by the user

#### Default Mode is: IN

```
CREATE [OR REPLACE] PROCEDURE procedure_name
  [(parameter1 [mode1] datatype1,
    parameter2 [mode2] datatype2,
    . . .)]
IS|AS
PL/SQL Block;
```



## Example- what does this do?

#### Table mylog

| who  | logon_<br>num |  |
|------|---------------|--|
| Pete | ε             |  |
| John | 4             |  |
| Joe  | 2             |  |

```
create or replace procedure
num logged
(person IN mylog.who%TYPE,
 num OUT mylog.logon num%TYPE)
IS
BEGIN
    select logon num
    into num
    from mylog
    where who = person;
END;
```



## Calling the Procedure

```
declare
    howmany mylog.logon_num%TYPE;
begin
    num_logged('John',howmany);
    dbms_output.put_line(howmany);
end;
/
```



## Creating a Function

Almost exactly like creating a procedure, but you supply a return type

```
CREATE [OR REPLACE] FUNCTION
function_name
  [(parameter1 [mode1] datatype1,
    parameter2 [mode2] datatype2,
    . . .)]
RETURN datatype
IS|AS
PL/SQL Block;
```



### A Function

```
create or replace function
rating message (rating IN NUMBER)
return VARCHAR2 -
                          NOTE THAT YOU DON'T SPECIFY THE SIZE
AS
BEGIN
  IF rating > 7 THEN
    return 'You are great';
  ELSIF rating >= 5 THEN
    return 'Not bad';
  ELSE
    return 'Pretty bad';
  END IF;
END;
```



## Calling the function

```
declare
    youRate:=9;
Begin
dbms_output.put_line(ratingMessage(youRate));
end;
/
```



### Creating a function:

```
create or replace function squareFunc(num in number)
return number
is
BEGIN
return num*num;
End;
/
```

#### **Using the function:**

```
BEGIN
dbms_output.put_line(squareFunc(3.5));
END;
/
```

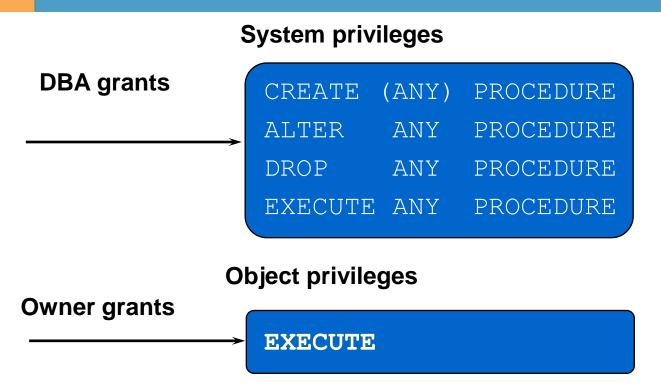


### Errors in a Procedure

- When creating the procedure, if there are errors in its definition, they will not be shown
- To see the errors of a procedure called myProcedure, type
  - SHOW ERRORS PROCEDURE myProcedure in the SQLPLUS prompt
- For functions, type
  - SHOW ERRORS FUNCTION myFunction



### Required Privileges



To be able to refer and access objects from a different schema in a subprogram, you must be granted access to the referred objects explicitly, not through a role.



### **Granting Access to Data**

#### Direct access:

GRANT SELECT

ON employees

TO scott;

Grant Succeeded.

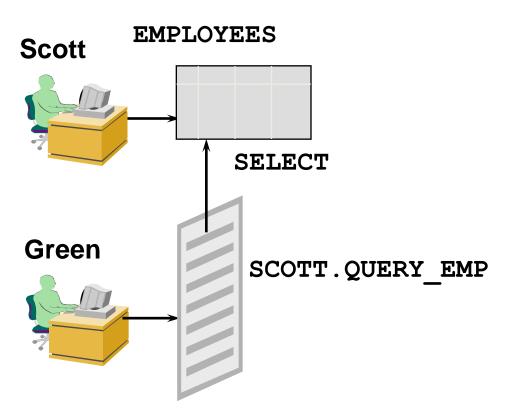
#### Indirect access:

GRANT EXECUTE

ON query\_emp

TO green;

Grant Succeeded.

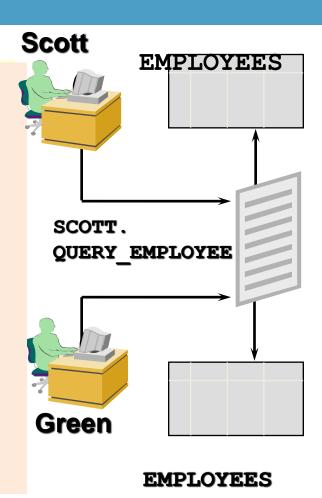


The procedure executes with the privileges of the owner (default).



# Using Invoker's-Rights

```
CREATE PROCEDURE query employee
(p id IN employees.employee id%TYPE,
p name OUT employees.last name%TYPE,
p salary OUT employees.salary%TYPE,
p comm OUT
employees.commission pct%TYPE)
AUTHID CURRENT USER
IS
BEGIN
  SELECT last name, salary,
         commission pct
   INTO p name, p salary, p comm
   FROM employees
   WHERE employee id=p id;
END query employee;
```



The procedure executes with the privileges of the user.



# USER\_OBJECTS

| Column        | Column Description  |
|---------------|---|
| OBJECT_NAME   | Name of the object  |
| OBJECT_ID     | Internal identifier for the object  |
| OBJECT_TYPE   | Type of object, for example, TABLE, PROCEDURE, FUNCTION, PACKAGE, PACKAGE BODY, TRIGGER |
| CREATED       | Date when the object was created  |
| LAST_DDL_TIME | Date when the object was last modified  |
| TIMESTAMP     | Date and time when the object was last recompiled                                       |
| STATUS        | VALID or INVALID  |



### List All Procedures and Functions

```
SELECT object_name, object_type
FROM user_objects
WHERE object_type in ('PROCEDURE','FUNCTION')
ORDER BY object_name;
```

| OBJECT_NAME     | OBJECT_TYPE |
|-----------------|-------------|
| ADD_DEPT        | PROCEDURE   |
| ADD_JOB         | PROCEDURE   |
| ADD_JOB_HISTORY | PROCEDURE   |
| ANNUAL_COMP     | FUNCTION    |
| DEL_JOB         | PROCEDURE   |
|                 | FUNCTION    |
| TAX             | FUNCTION    |
| UPD_JOB         | PROCEDURE   |
| VALID_DEPTID    | FUNCTION    |

24 rows selected.



# USER\_SOURCE Data Dictionary View

| Column | Column Description  |
|--------|---|
| NAME   | Name of the object  |
| TYPE   | Type of object, for example, PROCEDURE, FUNCTION, PACKAGE, PACKAGE BODY |
| LINE   | Line number of the source code  |
| TEXT   | Text of the source code line  |



# USER\_ERRORS

| Column   | Column Description   |
|----------|--|
| NAME     | Name of the object   |
| TYPE     | Type of object, for example, PROCEDURE, FUNCTION, PACKAGE, PACKAGE BODY, TRIGGER |
| SEQUENCE | Sequence number, for ordering  |
| LINE     | Line number of the source code at which the error occurs                         |
| POSITION | Position in the line at which the error occurs                                   |
| TEXT     | Text of the error message  |



### List Compilation Errors by Using SHOW ERRORS

#### SHOW ERRORS PROCEDURE log\_execution

Errors for PROCEDURE LOG\_EXECUTION:

| LINE/COL | ERROR   |
|----------|---|
| 4/7      | PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "INTO" when expecting one of the following: := . (@ % ;   |
| 11571    | PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "VALUES" when expecting one of the following: . ( , % ; limit The symbol "VALUES" was ignore d. |
| 6/1      | PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END"   |



# **Creating Packages**



### **Objectives**

After completing this Section, you should be able to do the following:

- Describe packages and list their possible components
- Create a package to group together related variables, cursors, constants, exceptions, procedures, and functions
- Designate a package construct as either public or private
- Invoke a package construct
- Describe a use for a bodiless package



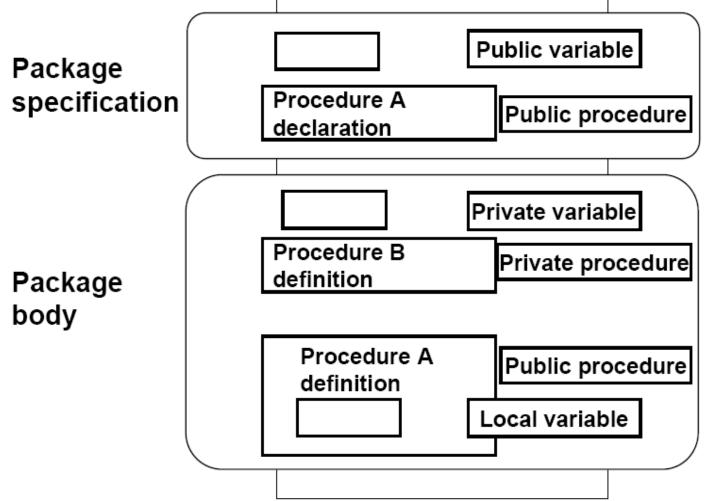
### **Overview of Packages**

#### Packages:

- Group logically related PL/SQL types, items, and subprograms
- Consist of two parts:
- Specification
- Body
- Cannot be invoked, parameterized, or nested
- Allow the Oracle server to read multiple objects into memory at once



### Components of a Package



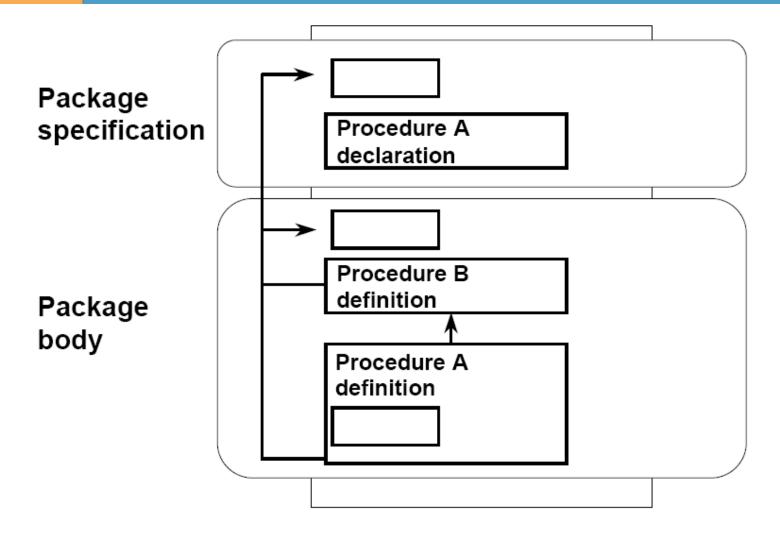


## Scope

| Scope of the Construct | Description   | Placement within the Package   |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Public                 | Can be referenced from any<br>Oracle server environment                       | Declared within the package<br>specification and may be defined<br>within the package body |
| Private                | Can be referenced only by other constructs which are part of the same package | Declared and defined within the package body   |



### Referencing Package Objects





# Developing a Package



### Developing a Package

- Saving the text of the CREATE PACKAGE statement in two different SQL files facilitates later modifications to the package.
- A package specification can exist without a package body, but a package body cannot exist without a package specification.



### How to Develop a Package

There are three basic steps to developing a package, similar to those steps that are used to develop a stand-alone procedure.

- Write the text of the CREATE PACKAGE statement within a SQL script file to create the package specification and run the script file. The source code is compiled into P code and is stored within the data dictionary.
- Write the text of the CREATE PACKAGE BODY statement within a SQL script file to create the package body and run the script file. The source code is compiled into P code and is also stored within the data dictionary.
- 3. Invoke any public construct within the package from an Oracle server environment.



### Creating the Package Specification

#### Syntax:

```
CREATE [OR REPLACE] PACKAGE package_name
IS|AS
    public type and item declarations
    subprogram specifications
END package_name;
```

- The REPLACE option drops and recreates the package specification.
- Variables declared in the package specification are initialized to NULL by default.
- All the constructs declared in a package specification are visible to users who are granted privileges on the package.



### **Syntax Definition**

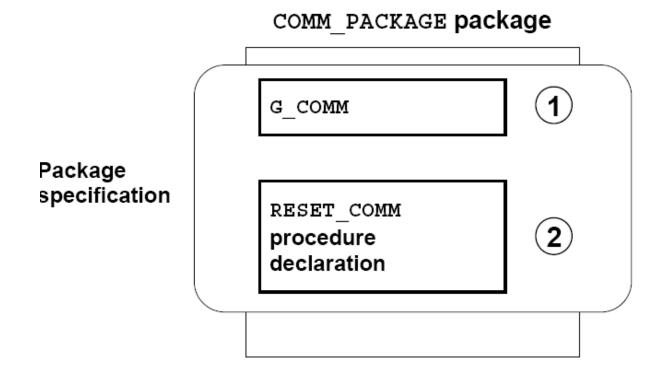
```
CREATE [OR REPLACE] PACKAGE package_name
IS|AS

public type and item declarations
subprogram specifications
END package_name;
```

| Parameter                         | Description   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| package_name                      | Name the package  |
| public type and item declarations | Declare variables, constants, cursors, exceptions, or types |
| subprogram<br>specifications      | Declare the PL/SQL subprograms                              |



### **Declaring Public Constructs**





### Creating a Package Specification: Example

Package created.

- G\_COMM is a global variable and is initialized to 0.10.
- RESET\_COMM is a public procedure that is implemented in the package body.



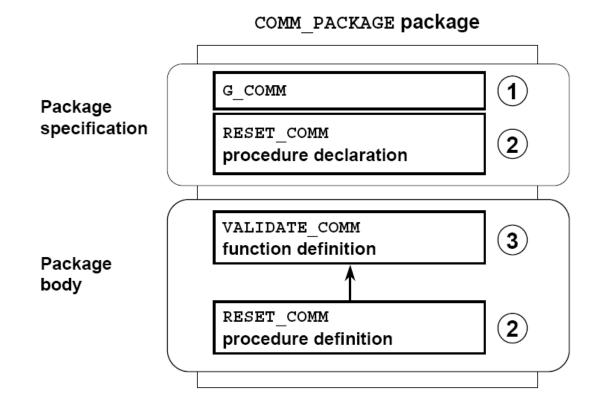
### Creating the Package Body

```
CREATE [OR REPLACE] PACKAGE BODY package_name
IS | AS
     private type and item declarations
     subprogram bodies
END package_name;
```

- The REPLACE option drops and recreates the package body.
- Identifiers defined only in the package body are private constructs.
   These are not visible outside the package body.
- All private constructs must be declared before they are used in the public constructs.



### **Public and Private Constructs**





### Creating a Package Body: Example

comm\_pack.sql

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY comm package
IS
  FUNCTION validate comm (p comm IN NUMBER)
   RETURN BOOLEAN
  IS
    v max comm NUMBER;
  BEGIN
    SELECT MAX(commission pct)
     INTO v max comm
     FROM employees;
         p comm > v max comm THEN RETURN(FALSE);
           RETURN (TRUE);
    ELSE
    END IF;
  END validate comm;
```



### Creating a Package Body: Example

#### comm\_pack.sql

```
PROCEDURE reset comm (p comm IN
                                      NUMBER)
  IS
 BEGIN
      validate comm(p comm)
          g comm:=p comm; --reset global variable
    THEN
  ELSE
   RAISE APPLICATION ERROR(-20210, 'Invalid commission');
  END IF;
 END reset comm;
END comm package;
```

Package body created.



### **Invoking Package Constructs**

Example 1: Invoke a function from a procedure within the same package.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY comm package IS
PROCEDURE reset comm
  (p comm IN NUMBER)
 IS
BEGIN
  IF validate comm(p_comm)
  THEN g comm := p comm;
  ELSE
    RAISE APPLICATION ERROR
         (-20210, 'Invalid commission');
  END IF;
END reset comm;
END comm package;
```



### **Invoking Package Constructs**

Example 2: Invoke a package procedure from *i*SQL\*Plus. EXECUTE comm\_package.reset\_comm(0.15)

Example 3: Invoke a package procedure in a different schema. EXECUTE scott.comm\_package.reset\_comm(0.15)

Example 4: Invoke a package procedure in a remote database. EXECUTE comm\_package.reset\_comm@ny(0.15)



### Declaring a Bodiless Package

Package created.

20 miles = 32.186 km

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.



#### Referencing a Public Variable from a Stand-Alone Procedure

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE meter_to_yard

(p_meter IN NUMBER, p_yard OUT NUMBER)

IS

BEGIN

p_yard := p_meter * global_consts.meter_2_yard;

END meter_to_yard;

/

VARIABLE yard NUMBER

EXECUTE meter_to_yard (1, :yard)

PRINT yard
```

Procedure created.

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.





### **Removing Packages**

To remove the package specification and the body, use the following syntax:

DROP PACKAGE package\_name;

To remove the package body, use the following syntax: DROP PACKAGE BODY package\_name;



#### **Guidelines for Developing Packages**

- Construct packages for general use.
- Define the package specification before the body.
- The package specification should contain only those constructs that you want to be public.
- Place items in the declaration part of the package body when you must maintain them throughout a session or across transactions.
- Changes to the package specification require recompilation of each referencing subprogram.
- The package specification should contain as few constructs as possible.



#### **Advantages of Packages**

- Modularity: Encapsulate related constructs.
- Easier application design: Code and compile specification and body separately.
- Hiding information:
- Only the declarations in the package specification are visible and accessible to applications.
- Private constructs in the package body are hidden and inaccessible.
- All coding is hidden in the package body.



#### **Advantages of Packages**

- Added functionality: Persistency of variables and cursors
- Better performance:
- The entire package is loaded into memory when the package is first referenced.
- There is only one copy in memory for all users.
- The dependency hierarchy is simplified.
- Overloading: Multiple subprograms of the same name



#### Creating a One-Time-Only Procedure

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE taxes
IS
    tax NUMBER;
       -- declare all public procedures/functions
END taxes;
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY taxes
IS
  ... -- declare all private variables
  ... -- define public/private procedures/functions
BEGIN
           rate value
   SELECT
   INTO
            tax
   FROM
           tax rates
   WHERE
           rate name = 'TAX';
END taxes;
```



#### Restrictions on Package Functions Used in SQL

#### A function called from:

- A query or DML statement can not end the current transaction, create or roll back to a savepoint, or ALTER the system or session.
- A query statement or a parallelized DML statement can not execute a DML statement or modify the database.
- A DML statement can not read or modify the particular table being modified by that DML statement.

Note: Calls to subprograms that break the above restrictions are not allowed



#### PL/SQL Tables and Records in Packages

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE emp package IS
  TYPE emp table type IS TABLE OF employees%ROWTYPE
     INDEX BY BINARY INTEGER;
  PROCEDURE read emp table
               (p emp table OUT emp table type);
END emp package;
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY emp package IS
  PROCEDURE read emp table
              (p emp table OUT emp table type) IS
  i BINARY INTEGER := 0;
  BEGIN
    FOR emp record IN (SELECT * FROM employees)
    LOOP
      p emp table(i) := emp record;
      i := i+1;
    END LOOP;
  END read emp table;
END emp package;
```



#### PL/SQL Tables and Records in Packages

```
DECLARE
    v_emp_table emp_package.emp_table_type;
    BEGIN
    emp_package.read_emp_table(v_emp_table);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('An example: '||v_emp_table(4).last_name);
END;
/
An example: Ernst
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
```



#### **Summary**

In this Section, you should have learned how to:

- Improve organization, management, security, and performance by using packages
- Group related procedures and functions together in a package
- Change a package body without affecting a package specification
- Grant security access to the entire package
- Hide the source code from users
- Load the entire package into memory on the first call
- Reduce disk access for subsequent calls
- Provide identifiers for the user session



#### **Summary**

| Command                             | Task   |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| CREATE [OR REPLACE] PACKAGE         | Create (or modify) an existing package specification       |
| CREATE [OR REPLACE] PACKAGE<br>BODY | Create (or modify) an existing package body                |
| DROP PACKAGE                        | Remove both the package specification and the package body |
| DROP PACKAGE BODY                   | Remove the package body only                               |



#### **Practices**

 Create a package specification and body called JOB\_PACK. (You can save the package body and specification in two separate files.) This package contains your ADD\_JOB, UPD\_JOB, and DEL\_JOB procedures, as well as your Q\_JOB function.

**Note:** Use the code in your previously saved script files when creating the package.

a. Make all the constructs public.

**Note:** Consider whether you still need the stand-alone procedures and functions you just packaged.

- b. Invoke your ADD\_JOB procedure by passing values IT\_SYSAN and SYSTEMS ANALYST as parameters.
- c. Query the JOBS table to see the result.



- 2. Create and invoke a package that contains private and public constructs.
- a. Create a package specification and package body called EMP\_PACK that contains your NEW\_EMP procedure as a public construct, and your VALID\_DEPTID function as a private construct. (You can save the specification and body into separate files.)
- b. Invoke the NEW\_EMP procedure, using 15 as a department number. Because the department ID 15 does not exist in the DEPARTMENTS table, you should get an error message as specified in the exception handler of your procedure.
- c. Invoke the NEW\_EMP procedure, using an existing department ID 80.



3. a. Create a package called CHK\_PACK that contains the procedures CHK\_HIREDATE and CHK\_DEPT\_MGR. Make both constructs public. (You can save the specification and body into separate files.) The procedure CHK\_HIREDATE checks whether an employee's hire date is within the following range: [SYSDATE - 50 years, SYSDATE + 3 months].

#### Note:

- If the date is invalid, you should raise an application error with an appropriate message indicating why the date value is not acceptable.
- Make sure the time component in the date value is ignored.
- Use a constant to refer to the 50 years boundary.
- A null value for the hire date should be treated as an invalid hire date. The procedure CHK\_DEPT\_MGR
  checks the department and manager combination for a given employee. The CHK\_DEPT\_MGR
  procedure accepts an employee ID and a manager ID. The procedure checks that the manager and
  employee work in the same department. The procedure also checks that the job title of the manager
  ID provided is MANAGER.

**Note:** If the department ID and manager combination is invalid, you should raise an application error with an appropriate message.

**b.** Test the CHK\_HIREDATE procedure with the following command:

**EXECUTE chk\_pack.chk\_hiredate('01-JAN-47')** 

What happens, and why?

**c**. Test the CHK HIREDATE procedure with the following command:

**EXECUTE chk pack.chk hiredate(NULL)** 

What happens, and why?

**d.** Test the CHK DEPT MGR procedure with the following command:

EXECUTE chk pack.chk dept mgr(117,100)

What happens, and why?



#### **Handling Exceptions**



#### **Objectives**

After completing this Section, you should be able to do the following:

- Define PL/SQL exceptions
- Recognize unhandled exceptions
- List and use different types of PL/SQL exception handlers
- Trap unanticipated errors
- Describe the effect of exception propagation in nested blocks
- Customize PL/SQL exception messages



## **Handling Exceptions with PL/SQL**

- An Exception is an identifier in PL/SQL that is raised during execution.
- How is it raised?
  - An Oracle error occurs.
  - You raise it explicitly.
- How do you handle it?
  - Trap it with a handler.
    - Propagate it to the calling environment.



## **Exception Types**

• Predefined Oracle Server

Implicitly raised

- Nonpredefined Oracle Server
- User-defined

Explicitly raised



## **Trapping Exceptions**

```
Syntax:
         EXCEPTION
             WHEN exception1 [OR exception2 . . .] THEN
                   statement1;
                    statement2;
             [WHEN exception3 [OR exception4 . . .] THEN
                     statement1;
                     statement2;
             [WHEN OTHERS THEN
                     statement1;
                     statement2;
```



#### **Trapping Predefined Oracle Server Errors**

- Reference the standard name in the exception-handling routine.
- Sample predefined exceptions:
  - NO\_DATA\_FOUND
  - TOO\_MANY\_ROWS
  - INVALID CURSOR
  - ZERO\_DIVIDE
  - DUP\_VAL\_ON\_INDEX



## **Predefined Exceptions**

| Exception Name      | Oracle server<br>Error<br>Number | Description   |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| ACCESS_INTO_NULL    | ORA-06530                        | Attempted to assign values to the attributes of an uninitialized object                               |
| CASE_NOT_FOUND      | ORA-06592                        | None of the choices in the WHEN clauses of a CASE statement is selected, and there is no ELSE clause. |
| COLLECTION_IS_NULL  | ORA-06531                        | Attempted to apply collection methods other than EXISTS to an uninitialized nested table or varray.   |
| CURSOR_ALREADY_OPEN | ORA-06511                        | Attempted to open an already open cursor  |
| DUP_VAL_ON_INDEX    | ORA-00001                        | Attempted to insert a duplicate value   |
| INVALID_CURSOR      | ORA-01001                        | Illegal cursor operation occurred   |
| INVALID_NUMBER      | ORA-01722                        | Conversion of character string to number fails  |
| LOGIN_DENIED        | ORA-01017                        | Logging on to Oracle with an invalid username or password   |
| NO_DATA_FOUND       | ORA-01403                        | Single row SELECT returned no data  |
| NOT_LOGGED_ON       | ORA-01012                        | PL/SQL program issues a database call without being connected to Oracle                               |
| PROGRAM_ERROR       | ORA-06501                        | PL/SQL has an internal problem  |



## **Predefined Exceptions**

| ROWTYPE_MISMATCH        | ORA-06504 | Host cursor variable and PL/SQL cursor variable involved in an assignment have incompatible return types                         |
|-------------------------|-----------|--|
| STORAGE_ERROR           | ORA-06500 | PL/SQL ram out of memory is corrupted .  |
| SUBSCRIPT_BEYOND_COUNT  | ORA-06533 | Referenced a nested table or varray element using an index number larger than the number of elements in the collection.          |
| SUBSCRIPT_OUTSIDE_LIMIT | ORA-06532 | Referenced a nested table or varray element using an index number that is outside the legal range (-1 for example)               |
| SYS_INVALID_ROWID       | ORA-01410 | The conversion of a character string into a universal ROWID fails because the character string does not represent a valid ROWID. |
| TIMEOUT_ON_RESOURCE     | ORA-00051 | Time-out occurred while Oracle is waiting for a resource.  |
| TOO_MANY_ROWS           | ORA-01422 | Single-row SELECT returned more than one row.  |
| VALUE_ERROR             | ORA-06502 | Arithmetic, conversion, truncation, or size- constraint error occurred.  |
| ZERO_DIVIDE             | ORA-01476 | Attempted to divide by zero  |

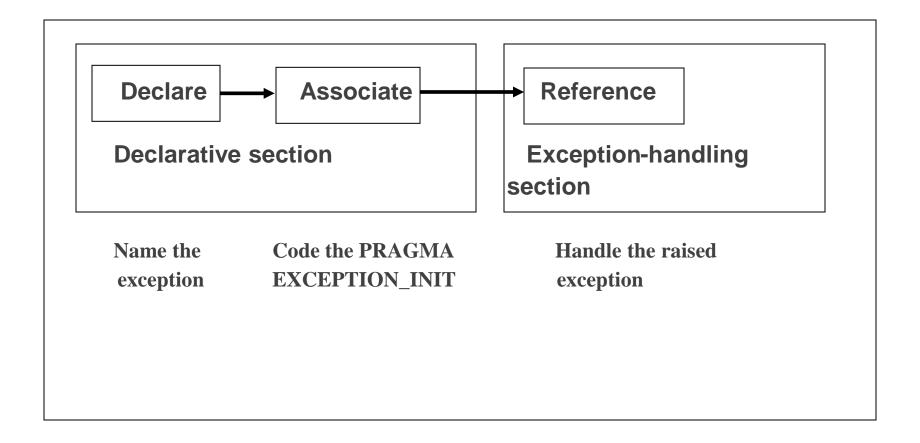


## **Predefined Exceptions**

```
Syntax:
BEGIN
EXCEPTION
          WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN
                statement1;
               statement2;
         WHEN TOO_MANY_ROWS THEN
                 statement1;
          WHEN OTHERS THEN
                 statement1;
                statement2;
               statement3;
END;
```



#### **Trapping Nonpredefined Oracle Server Errors**





## **Functions for Trapping Exceptions**

- SQLCODE: Returns the numeric value for the error code
- SQLERRM: Returns the message associated with the error number

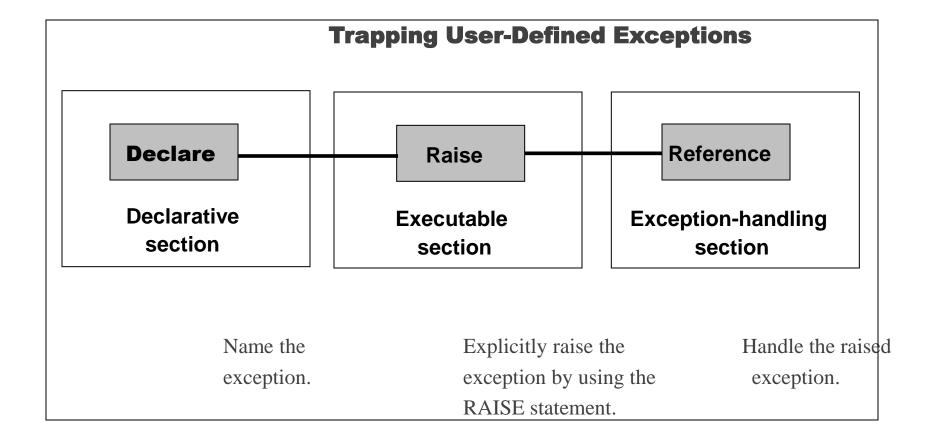


#### **Functions for Trapping Exceptions**

```
Example:
      DECLARE
                            NUMBER;
         v_error_code
                            VARCHAR2(255);
         v_error_message
      BEGIN
     EXCEPTION
          WHEN OTHERS THEN
                 ROLLBACK;
                 v_error_code:= SQLCODE;
                 v_error_message := SQLERRM ;
               INSERT INTO errors
                VALUES (v_error_code, v_error_message);
```

END;







#### **User-Defined Exceptions**

```
Example:
DEFINE p_department_desc = 'Information Technology '
DEFINE P_department_number = 300
    DECLARE
          e_invalid_department EXCEPTION;
    BEGIN
          UPDATE
                    departments
          SET department_name = '&p_department_desc'
          WHERE
                    department_id = &p_department_number;
          IF SQL%NOTFOUND THEN
                    RAISE e invalid department;
                                                                         2
          END IF:
          COMMIT;
    EXCEPTION
          e_invalid_department
                                                                         3
          DBMS_OUTPUT. PUT_LINE ('No such department id.');
     END;
```



## The RAISE\_APPLICATION\_ERROR

#### **Procedure**

#### **Syntax:**

- You can use this procedure to issue user-defined error messages from stored subprograms.
- You can report errors to your application and avoid returning unhandled exceptions.



#### **Practices**

- 1. Write a PL/SQL block to select the name of the employee with a given salary value.
- a. Use the DEFINE command to provide the salary. Pass the value to the PL/SQL block through a iSQL\*Plus substitution variable. If the salary entered returns more than one row, handle the exception with an appropriate exception handler and insert into the MESSAGES table the message "More than one employee with a salary of <salary>."
- b. If the salary entered does not return any rows, handle the exception with an appropriate exception handler and insert into the MESSAGES table the message "No employee with a salary of <salary>."
- c. If the salary entered returns only one row, insert into the MESSAGES table the employee's name and the salary amount.
- d. Handle any other exception with an appropriate exception handler and insert into the MESSAGES table the message "Some other error occurred."



#### **Oracle Supplied Packages**

Extend the functionality of the database

## Some examples of packages:

DBMS\_JOB: for task scheduling

DBMS\_PIPE: for communication between sessions

DBMS\_OUTPUT: display messages to the session output device

UTL\_HTTP: makes HTTP callouts.

Many others...

#### Triggers

Stored procedure

Executed automatically when:

data modification (DML Trigger)

INSERT, UPDATE, UPDATE column or DELETE

schema modification (DDL Trigger)

system event, user logon/logoff (System Trigger)

Basic DML triggers types:

**BEFORE** statement

BEFORE each row modification

AFTER each row modification

**AFTER statement** 

INSTEAD OF - to enable data modification by views



#### When To Use Triggers

Automatic data generation

Auditing (logging), statistics

Derived data

Data replication

Special referential constrains

Complex logic

Distributed constrains

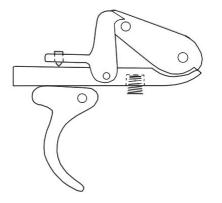
Time based constrains

Updates of complex views

<u>Triggers may introduce hard to spot interdependencies to a database schema</u>



## Trigger Body



# Built like a PL/SQL procedure Additionally:

Type of the triggering event can be determined inside the trigger using conditional predicators

IF inserting THEN ... END IF;

Old and new row values are accessible via : old and : new qualifiers (record type variables)



#### Trigger Example

```
CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER audit_sal

BEFORE UPDATE OF salary ON employees

FOR EACH ROW

BEGIN

INSERT INTO emp_audit

VALUES(:old.employee_id, SYSDATE, :new.salary, :old.salary);

COMMIT;

END;

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```

#### Jobs



#### Schedule + PL/SQL subprogram

Many scheduling modes

#### Creation

Using **DBMS\_SCHEDULER** internal package

Alternative DBMS\_JOB is old and should by avoided

Privileges needed

**execute** on DBMS\_SCHEDULER

create job



#### Jobs example

Daily execution (everyday at 12) of my\_saved\_procedure

## Advantages of PL/SQL

Tightly integrated with SQL

Reduced network traffic

Portability - easy deployment and distribution

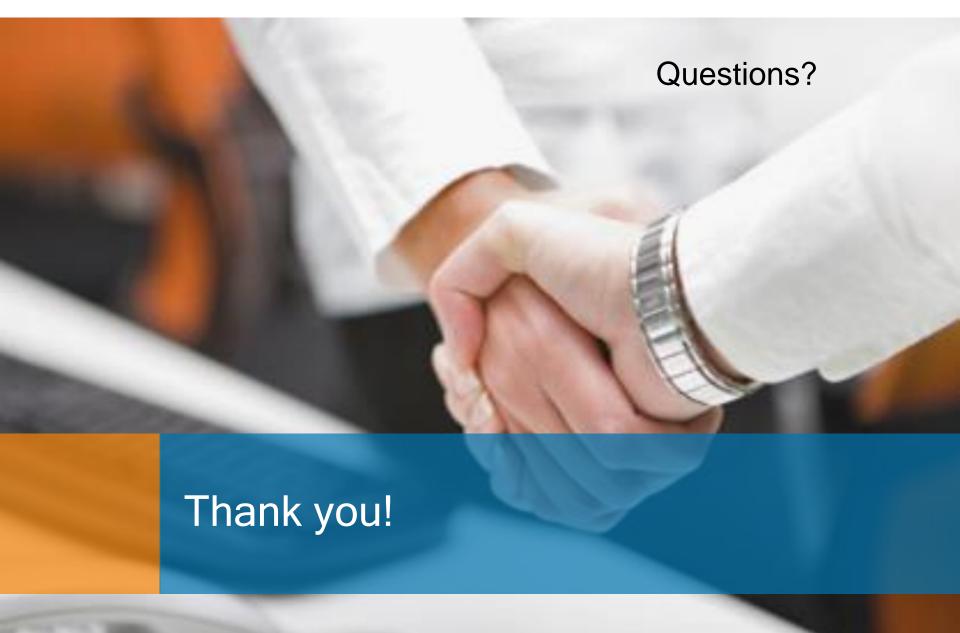
Data layer separated from client language

Modification without changing of application code Can be shared by many platform

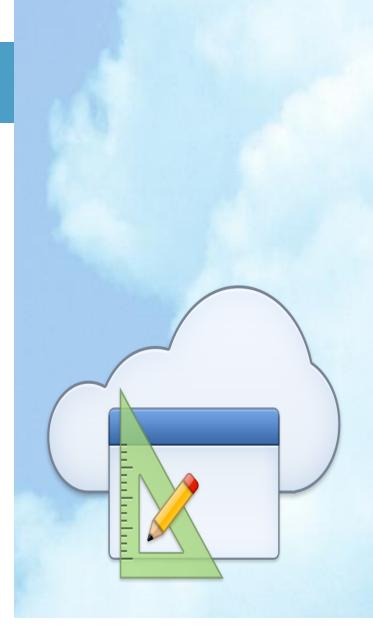
Server-side periodical data maintenance (jobs)



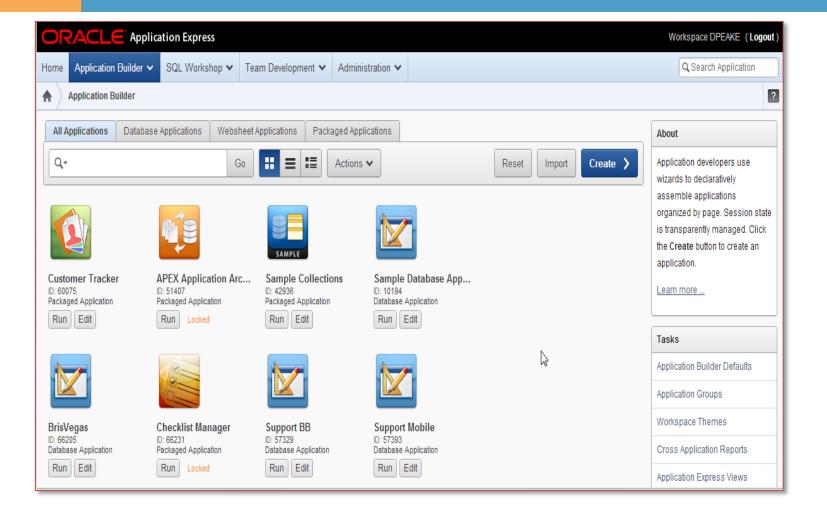




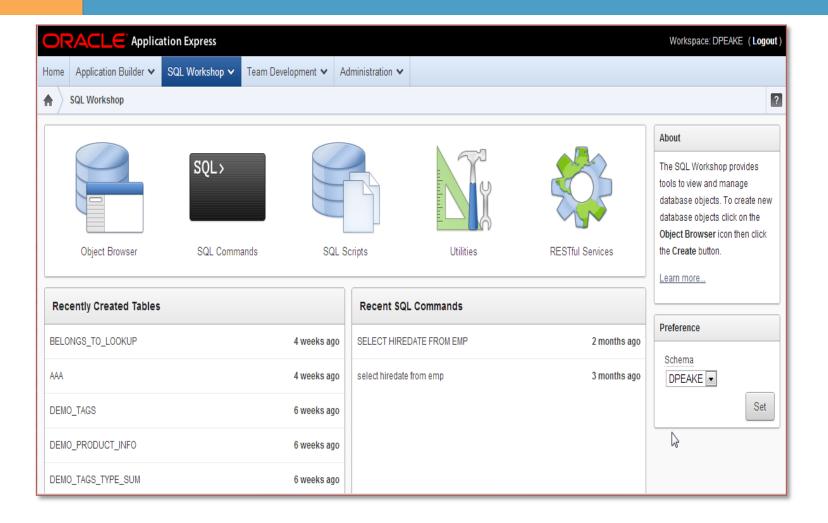
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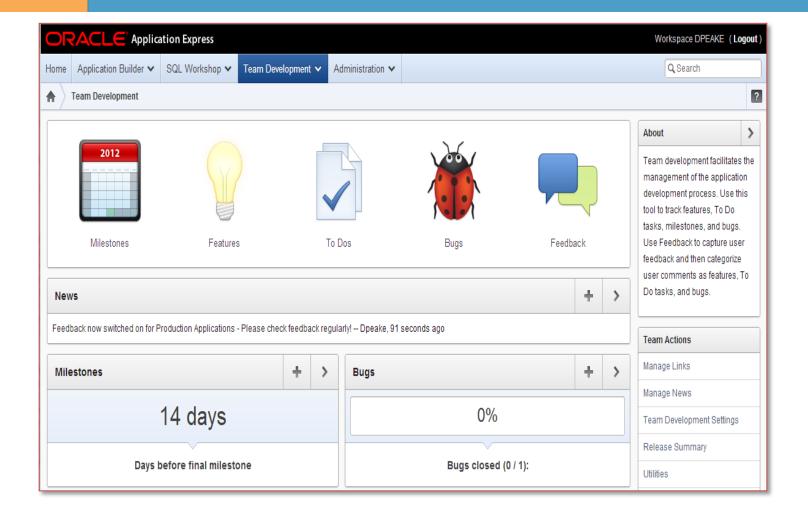




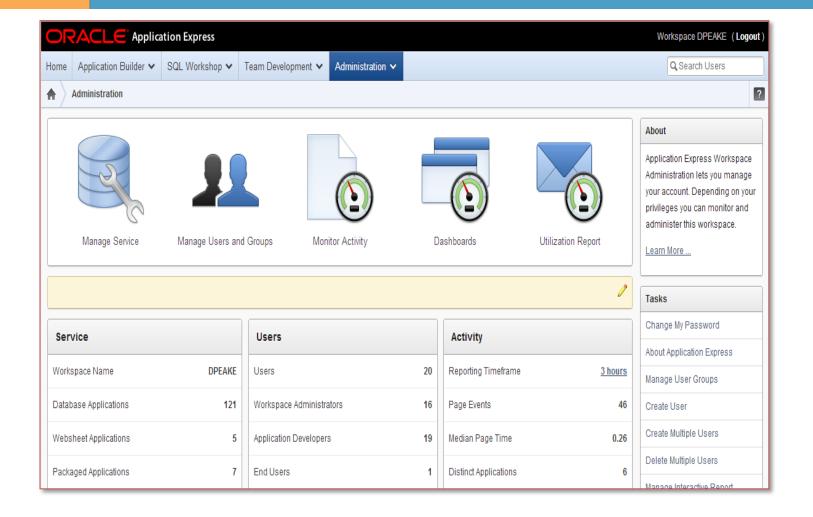




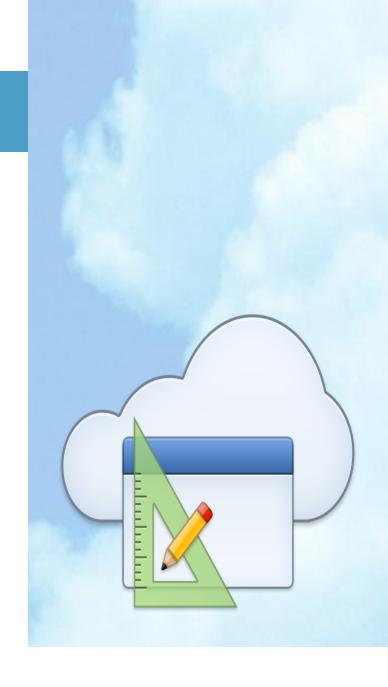








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**Conditional Processing** 



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Calendar



**Branches** 



Authorization



**Templates** 



Web Services



Session State Management



Navigation

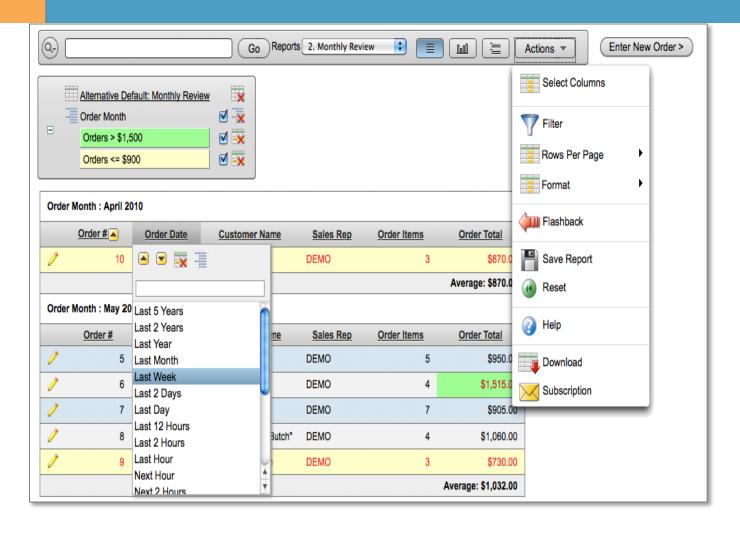


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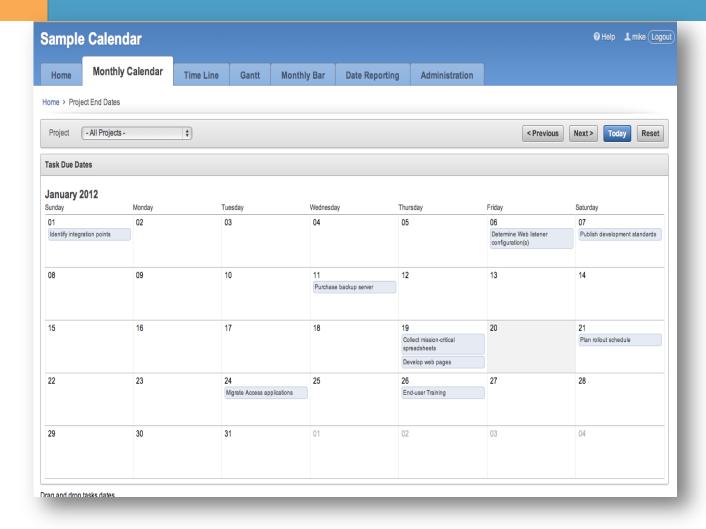


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