Introduction

INTRODUCTION TO PL/SQL

Lesson Objectives



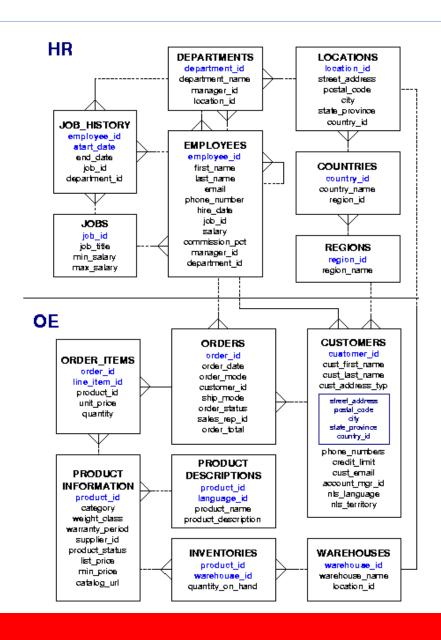
Course Objectives

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

- Identify the programming extensions that PL/SQL provides to SQL
- Write PL/SQL code to interface with the database
- Design PL/SQL anonymous blocks that execute efficiently
- Use PL/SQL programming constructs and conditional control statements
- Handle run-time errors
- Describe stored procedures and functions



HR and OE Schemas for This Course



DAY - 1:

- Introduction to PL/SQL
- Declaring PL/SQL Variables
- Writing Executable Statements
- Interacting with Oracle
- Database Server: SQL Statements in PL/SQL Programs
- Writing Control Structures

DAY - 2:

- Working with Composite Data Types
- Using Explicit Cursors
- Handling Exceptions
- Introducing Stored
- Procedures and Functions

DAY - 3:

- Introduction
- Creating Procedures
- Creating Functions
- Creating Packages
- Working with Packages

DAY - 4:

- Using Oracle-Supplied Packages in Application Development
- Dynamic SQL
- Design consideration for PL/SQL Code
- Creating Triggers

DAY - 5:

- DDL, and Event Database triggers
- Using the PL/SQL Compiler
- Managing PL/SQL Code
- Managing Dependencies

Class Account Information

- A cloned HR account ID is set up for you.
- Your account ID is ora41.
- The password matches your account ID.
- Each machine has its own complete environment, and is assigned the same account.
- The instructor has a separate ID.



PL/SQL Development Environments

This course setup provides the following tools for developing PL/SQL code:

- Oracle SQL Developer (used in this course)
- Oracle SQL*Plus
- Oracle JDeveloper IDE

What Is Oracle SQL Developer?

- Oracle SQL Developer is a free graphical tool that enhances productivity and simplifies database development tasks.
- You can connect to any target Oracle database schema using standard Oracle database authentication.
- You will use SQL Developer in this course.
- Appendix C contains details on using SQL Developer.



What is PL/SQL?

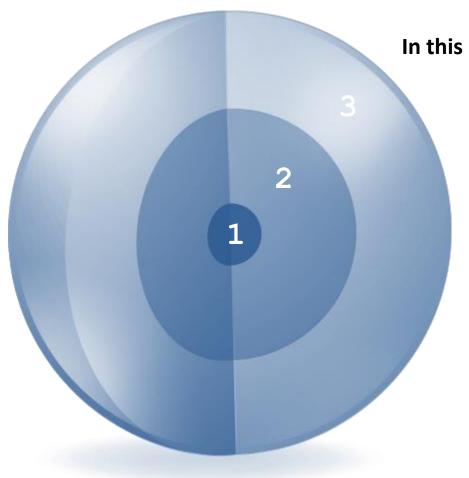
- PL/SQL stands for Procedural Language/Structured Query Language.
- It is Oracle Corporation's procedural extension language for SQL and the Oracle relational database.
- PL/SQL is one of three key programming languages embedded in the Oracle Database, along with SQL itself and Java.
- PL/SQL supports variables, conditions, loops and exceptions.
- Arrays are also supported, though in a somewhat unusual way, involving the use of PL/SQL collections.
 PL/SQL collections are a slightly advanced topic.

Oracle SQL and PL/SQL Documentation

- Oracle Database New Features Guide
- Oracle Database PL/SQL Language Reference
- Oracle Database Reference
- Oracle Database SQL Language Reference
- Oracle Database Concepts
- Oracle Database PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference
- Oracle Database Advanced Application Developer's Guide 11g
- Oracle Database SQL Developer User's Guide Release 1.5

URL: http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/indexes/docume
ntation/index.html

Session Summary



In this lesson, you should have learned how to:

- 1 Discuss the goals of the course
 - Describe the HR and OE database schema that is used in the course
- 3 Identify the available user interface environments that can be used in this course

Practice 1

