

Pl Sql User Guide And Reference

The authors have revised and updated this bestseller to include both the Oracle8i and new Oracle9i Internet-savvy database products.

A complete guide to SQL*Loader, a utility used to move data from external files into an Oracle database, offers step-by-step instruction in the various applications of SQL*Loader, providing a task-oriented approach that covers the latest Oracle 8 and Oracle 8i features. Original. (Beginner/Intermediate)

The fourth edition of this popular pocket guide provides quick-reference information that will help you use Oracle's PL/SQL language, including the newest Oracle Database 11g features. It's a companion to Steven Feuerstein and Bill Pribyl's bestselling Oracle PL/SQL Programming. This concise guide boils down the most vital PL/SQL information into an accessible summary of: Fundamental language elements (e.g., block structure, datatypes, declarations) Statements for program control, cursor management, and exception handling Records, procedures, functions, triggers, and packages Calling PL/SQL functions in SQL Compilation options, object-oriented features, collections, and Java integration The new edition describes such Oracle Database 11g elements as PL/SQL's function result cache, compound triggers, the CONTINUE statement, the SIMPLE_INTEGER datatype, and improvements to native compilation, regular expressions, and compiler optimization (including intra-unit inlining). In addition, this book now includes substantial new sections on Oracle's built-in functions and packages. When you need answers quickly, the Oracle PL/SQL Language Pocket Reference will save you hours of frustration.

From the authorized Oracle Press comes a complete guide to developing robust PL/SQL applications. The book contains new information on development tools, datatypes, SQL commands and functions, and much more. The CD-ROM contains sample code plus a sampling of development environments covered in the book.

Master the advanced concepts of PL/SQL for professional-level certification and learn the new capabilities of Oracle Database 12c About This Book Learn advanced application development features of Oracle Database 12c and prepare for the 1Z0-146 examination Build robust and secure applications in Oracle PL/SQL using the best practices Packed with feature demonstrations and illustrations that will help you learn and understand the enhanced capabilities of Oracle Database 12c Who This Book Is For This book is for Oracle developers responsible for database management. Readers are expected to have basic knowledge of Oracle Database and the fundamentals of PL/SQL programming. Certification aspirants can use this book to prepare for 1Z0-146 examination in order to be an Oracle Certified Professional in Advanced PL/SQL. What You Will Learn Learn and understand the key SQL and PL/SQL features of Oracle Database 12c Understand the new Multitenant architecture and Database In-Memory option of Oracle Database 12c Know more about the advanced concepts of the Oracle PL/SQL language such as external procedures, securing data using Virtual Private Database (VPD), SecureFiles, and PL/SQL code tracing and profiling Implement Virtual Private Databases to prevent unauthorized data access Trace, analyze, profile, and debug PL/SQL code while developing database applications Integrate the new application development features of Oracle Database 12c with the current concepts Discover techniques to analyze and maintain PL/SQL code Get acquainted with the best practices of writing PL/SQL code and develop secure applications In Detail Oracle Database is one of the most popular databases and allows users to make efficient use of their resources and to enhance service levels while reducing the IT costs incurred. Oracle Database is sometimes compared with Microsoft SQL Server, however, Oracle Database clearly supersedes SQL server in terms of high availability and addressing planned and unplanned downtime. Oracle PL/SQL provides a rich platform for application developers to code and build scalable database applications and introduces multiple new features and enhancements to improve development experience. Advanced Oracle PL/SQL Developer's Guide, Second Edition is a handy technical reference for seasoned professionals in the database development space. This book starts with a refresher of fundamental concepts of PL/SQL, such as anonymous block, subprograms, and exceptions, and prepares you for the upcoming advanced concepts. The next chapter introduces you to the new features of Oracle Database 12c, not limited to PL/SQL. In this chapter, you will understand some of the most talked about features such as Multitenant and Database In-Memory. Moving forward, each chapter introduces advanced concepts with the help of demonstrations, and provides you with the latest update from Oracle Database 12c context. This helps you to visualize the pre- and post-applications of a feature over the database releases. By the end of this book, you will have become an expert in PL/SQL programming and will be able to implement advanced concepts of PL/SQL for efficient management of Oracle Database. Style and approach The book follows the structure of the Oracle Certification examination but doesn't restrict itself to the exam objectives. Advanced concepts have been explained in an easy-to-understand style, supported with feature demonstrations and case illustrations.

This pocket reference provides quick-reference information that will help you use Oracle Corporation's extensive set of built-in functions and packages, including those new to Oracle8.

Oracle's PL/SQL language is a programming language providing procedural extensions to the SQL relational database language and to an ever-growing number of Oracle development tools.

Among the most useful constructs in the PL/SQL language are the built-in functions and packages. Built-in functions are constructs that operate on certain types of data (e.g., numeric, character) to return a result. By using functions, you can minimize the coding you need to do in your programs. Functions are described in detail in Steven Feuerstein's Oracle PL/SQL Programming; this comprehensive guide to building applications with PL/SQL has become the bible for PL/SQL developers who have raved about its completeness, readability, and practicality. Built-in functions fall into several major categories: Character functions: Operate on character data. Examples include CONCAT (concatenates two strings into one), LENGTH (returns the length of a string), and REPLACE (replaces a character sequence in a string with a different set of characters). Date functions: Operate on dates and supplement the DATE datatype. Examples include SYSDATE (returns the current date and time in the Oracle Server) and LAST_DAY (returns the last day in the month of the specified date). Numeric functions: Operate on numeric data. Examples include CEIL (returns the smallest integer greater than or equal to the specified number) and POWER (returns a number raised to a particular power). LOB functions: Operate on large object data. Examples include EMPTY_BLOB (returns an empty locator of the binary large object type) and EMPTY_CLOB (returns an empty locator of the character large object type). Conversion functions: Perform explicit conversions of different types of data. Examples include TO_CHAR (converts a number or date to a string) and TO_NUMBER (converts a string to a number). Miscellaneous functions. Examples include GREATEST (returns the greatest of the specified list of values) and UID (returns the user ID of the current Oracle session). Built-in packages (collections of PL/SQL objects, such as functions, procedures, and data structures) greatly expand the scope of the PL/SQL language. These

packages are described in detail in Feuerstein's and Beresiewicz's book, Oracle Built-in Packages. Built-in packages are built by Oracle Corporation and stored directly in the Oracle database. The functionality of the built-ins is available from any programming environment that can call PL/SQL stored procedures, including Visual Basic, Oracle Developer/2000, Oracle Application Server (for Web-based development), and, of course, the Oracle database itself. Built-in packages extend the capabilities and power of PL/SQL in many significant ways. For example: DBMS_SQL executes dynamically constructed SQL statements and PL/SQL blocks of code. DBMS_PIPE communicates between different Oracle sessions through a pipe in the RDBMS shared memory. DBMS_JOB submits and manages regularly scheduled jobs for execution inside the database. DBMS_LOB accesses and manipulates Oracle8's large objects (LOBs) from within PL/SQL programs. The book shows how to call all of the commonly used built-in functions and packages. For packages, it also shows the RESTRICT REFERENCES pragmas (needed if you call packages from a SQL statement), as well as the exceptions, constants, and data structures defined in the packages.

In this book, Steven Feuerstein, widely recognized as one of the world's experts on the Oracle PL/SQL language, distills his many years of programming, writing, and teaching about PL/SQL into a set of PL/SQL language "best practices"--rules for writing code that is readable, maintainable, and efficient. Too often, developers focus on simply writing programs that run without errors--and ignore the impact of poorly written code upon both system performance and their ability (and their colleagues' ability) to maintain that code over time. Oracle PL/SQL Best Practices is a concise, easy-to-use reference to Feuerstein's recommendations for excellent PL/SQL coding. It answers the kinds of questions PL/SQL developers most frequently ask about their code: How should I format my code? What naming conventions, if any, should I use? How can I write my packages so they can be more easily maintained? What is the most efficient way to query information from the database? How can I get all the developers on my team to handle errors the same way? The book contains 120 best practices, divided by topic area. It's full of advice on the program development process, coding style, writing SQL in PL/SQL, data structures, control structures, exception handling, program and package construction, and built-in packages. It also contains a handy, pull-out quick reference card. As a helpful supplement to the text, code examples demonstrating each of the best practices are available on the O'Reilly web site. Oracle PL/SQL Best Practices is intended as a companion to O'Reilly's larger Oracle PL/SQL books. It's a compact, readable reference that you'll turn to again and again--a book that no serious developer can afford to be without.

Despite the wide use of SQL *Plus, few developers and database administrators know how powerful it really is. And the syntax can sometimes be tricky. This portable guide provides a quick reference to subjects such as interacting with SQL *Plus, selecting data, formatting reports, writing scripting, and tuning SQL. There's also a command reference.

CD-ROM contains: Practice database -- Sample scripts reference in text.

A guide to creating client/server applications using PL/SQL covers such topics as recovering errors, using intersession communication, managing large data sets, and working with Oracle Net Services.

Developers using PL/SQL 9i as an environment for corporate applications will find detailed technical information and practical tips in Lakshman's book.

This book is packed with real world examples that cover all the advanced features of PL/SQL. In turn, each major certification topic is covered in a separate chapter that makes understanding concepts easier. At the end of each chapter, you will find plenty of practice questions to strengthen and test your learning. If you are a PL/SQL developer looking for deeper insight and a move from mid-level programmer to professional database developer, then this is the best guide for you. This book is also an ideal guide for all the Associate level PL/SQL programmers who are preparing for the Professional 1Z0-146 certification. This book assumes you have prior knowledge of PL/SQL programming. If you have mastered the fundamentals of the PL/SQL language and are now looking for an in-depth, practical guide to solving real problems with PL/SQL stored procedures, then this is the book for you.

This integrated learning solution teaches all the Oracle PL/SQL skills you need, hands-on, through real-world labs, extensive examples, exercises, and projects! Completely updated for Oracle 11g, Oracle PL/SQL by Example , Fourth Edition covers all the fundamentals, from PL/SQL syntax and program control through packages and Oracle 11g's significantly improved triggers. One step at a time, you'll walk through every key task, discovering the most important PL/SQL programming techniques on your own. Building on your hands-on learning, the authors share solutions that offer deeper insights and proven best practices. End-of-chapter projects bring together all the techniques you've learned, strengthening your understanding through real-world practice. This book's approach fully reflects the authors' award-winning experience teaching PL/SQL programming to professionals at Columbia University. New database developers and DBAs can use its step-by-step instructions to get productive fast; experienced PL/SQL programmers can use this book as a practical solutions reference. Coverage includes • Mastering basic PL/SQL concepts and general programming language fundamentals, and understanding SQL's role in PL/SQL • Using conditional and iterative program control techniques, including the new CONTINUE and CONTINUE WHEN statements • Efficiently handling errors and exceptions • Working with cursors and triggers, including Oracle 11g's powerful new compound triggers • Using stored procedures, functions, and packages to write modular code that other programs can execute • Working with collections, object-relational features, native dynamic SQL, bulk SQL, and other advanced PL/SQL capabilities • Handy reference appendices: PL/SQL formatting guide, sample database schema, ANSI SQL standards reference, and more

Design Feature-Rich PL/SQL Applications Deliver dynamic, client/server PL/SQL applications with expert guidance from an Oracle programming professional. With full coverage of the latest features and tools, Oracle Database 11g PL/SQL Programming lays out each topic alongside detailed explanations, cut-and-paste syntax examples, and real-world case studies. Access and modify database information, construct powerful PL/SQL statements, execute effective queries, and deploy bulletproof security. You'll also learn how to implement C, C++, and Java procedures, Web-enable your database, cut development time, and optimize performance. Create, debug, and manage Oracle-driven PL/SQL programs Use PL/SQL structures, delimiters,

operators, variables, and statements Identify and eliminate errors using PLSQL_WARNINGS and exception handlers Work with functions, procedures, packages, collections, and triggers Define and deploy varray, nested table, and associative array data types Handle external routines, object types, large objects, and secure files Communicate between parallel sessions using DBMS_ALERT and DBMS_PIPE Call external procedures through Oracle Net Services and PL/SQL wrappers Integrate internal and server-side Java class libraries using Oracle JVM Develop robust Web applications using PL/SQL Gateway and Web Toolkit

You can use the SQL Plus program in conjunction with the SQL database language and its procedural language extension, PL/SQL. The SQL database language allows you to store and retrieve data in the Oracle Corporation relational database management system, the ORACLE RDBMS ... SQL Plus enables you to manipulate SQL commands and PL/SQL blocks, and to perform many additional tasks.-Overview of SQL Plus.

PL/SQL, Oracle's powerful procedural language, has been the cornerstone of Oracle application development for nearly 15 years. Although primarily a tool for developers, PL/SQL has also become an essential tool for database administration, as DBAs take increasing responsibility for site performance and as the lines between developers and DBAs blur. Until now, there has not been a book focused squarely on the language topics of special concern to DBAs Oracle PL/SQL for DBAs fills the gap. Covering the latest Oracle version, Oracle Database 10g Release 2 and packed with code and usage examples, it contains: A quick tour of the PL/SQL language, providing enough basic information about language fundamentals to get DBAs up and running Extensive coverage of security topics for DBAs: Encryption (including both traditional methods and Oracle's new Transparent Data Encryption, TDE); Row-Level Security(RLS), Fine-Grained Auditing (FGA); and random value generation Methods for DBAs to improve query and database performance with cursors and table functions Coverage of Oracle scheduling, which allows jobs such as database monitoring and statistics gathering to be scheduled for regular execution Using Oracle's built-in packages (DBMS_CRYPTO, DBMS_RLS, DBMS_FGA, DBMS_RANDOM, DBMS_SCHEDULING) as a base, the book describes ways of building on top of these packages to suit particular organizational needs. Authors are Arup Nanda, Oracle Magazine 2003 DBA of the Year, and Steven Feuerstein, the world's foremost PL/SQL expert and coauthor of the classic reference, Oracle PL/SQL Programming. DBAs who have not yet discovered how helpful PL/SQL can be will find this book a superb introduction to the language and its special database administration features. Even if you have used PL/SQL for years, you'll find the detailed coverage in this book to be an invaluable resource.

Be more productive with the Oracle PL/SQL language. The fifth edition of this popular pocket reference puts the syntax of specific PL/SQL language elements right at your fingertips, including features added in Oracle Database 12c. Whether you're a developer or database administrator, when you need answers quickly, the Oracle PL/SQL Language Pocket Reference will save you hours of frustration with concise summaries of: Fundamental language elements, such as block structure, datatypes, and declarations Statements for program control, cursor management, and exception handling Records, procedures, functions, triggers, and packages Execution of PL/SQL functions in SQL Compilation options, object-oriented features, collections, and Java integration This handy pocket reference is a perfect companion to Steven Feuerstein and Bill Pribyl's bestselling Oracle PL/SQL Programming.

Beginning Oracle SQL is your introduction to the interactive query tools and specific dialect of SQL used with Oracle Database. These tools include SQL*Plus and SQL Developer. SQL*Plus is the one tool any Oracle developer or database administrator can always count on, and it is widely used in creating scripts to automate routine tasks. SQL Developer is a powerful, graphical environment for developing and debugging queries. Oracle's is possibly the most valuable dialect of SQL from a career standpoint. Oracle's database engine is widely used in corporate environments worldwide. It is also found in many government applications. Oracle SQL implements many features not found in competing products. No developer or DBA working with Oracle can afford to be without knowledge of these features and how they work, because of the performance and expressiveness they bring to the table. Written in an easygoing and example-based style, Beginning Oracle SQL is the book that will get you started down the path to successfully writing SQL statements and getting results from Oracle Database. Takes an example-based approach, with clear and authoritative explanations Introduces both SQL and the query tools used to execute SQL statements Shows how to create tables, populate them with data, and then query that data to generate business results

This IBM® Redbooks® publication describes IBM DB2® SQL compatibility features. The latest version of DB2 includes extensive native support for the PL/SQL procedural language, new data types, scalar functions, improved concurrency, built-in packages, OCI, SQLPlus, and more. These features can help with developing applications that run on both DB2 and Oracle and can help simplify the process of moving from Oracle to DB2. In addition, IBM now provides tools to simplify the enablement process, such as the highly scalable IBM Data Movement Tool for moving schema and data into DB2, and an Editor and Profiler for PL/SQL provided by the IBM Data Studio tool suite. This Oracle to DB2 migration guide describes new technology, preferred practices for moving to DB2, and common scenarios that can help you as you move from Oracle to DB2. This book is intended for IT architects and developers who are converting from Oracle to DB2. DB2 compatibility with Oracle is provided through native support. The new capabilities in DB2 that provide compatibility are implemented at the lowest and most intimate levels of the database kernel, as though they were originally engineered for DB2. means that the DB2 implementation is done without the aid of an emulation layer. This intimacy leads to the scalable implementation that DB2 offers, providing identical performance between DB2 compatibility features and DB2 other language elements. For example, DB2 runs SQL PL at the same performance as PL/SQL implementations of the same function.

Oracle PL/SQL Recipes is your go to book for PL/SQL programming solutions. It takes a task-oriented approach to PL/SQL programming that lets you quickly look up a specific task and see the pattern for a solution. Then it's as simple as modifying the pattern for your specific application and implementing it. And you're done and home for dinner. Oracle PL/SQL Recipes is another in Apress' ongoing series of recipe books aimed at Oracle practitioners. The recipe format is ideal for the busy professional who just needs to get the job done. Covers the most common PL/SQL programming problems Presents solutions in ready-to-use format Stays short and to-the-point

An interactive guide to Oracle's intensive query tool, SQL* Plus, discusses its powerful features, furnishes a syntax quick reference, and explains how to write and execute script files, generate reports, extract data from the database, utilize new administrative features, query data dictionary tables, and more. Original. (Intermediate)

Provides instructions on how to create, debug, and execute PL/SQL code.

This in-depth guide explains how to use SQL to work with data in a database, and how to automate complicated tasks using PL/SQL.

SQL (Structured Query Language), the heart of a relational database management system, is the language used to query the database, to create new tables in the database, to update and delete fields, and to set access privileges. Aimed at everyone who needs to access an Oracle database using SQL, including developers, DBAs, designers, and managers, this book delivers

all the information they need to know about standard SQL, and Oracle's extensions to it.

Master Oracle Database 12c PL/SQL Application Development Develop, debug, and administer robust database programs. Filled with detailed examples and expert strategies from an Oracle ACE, Oracle Database 12c PL/SQL Programming explains how to retrieve and process data, write PL/SQL statements, execute effective queries, incorporate PHP and Java, and work with dynamic SQL. Code testing, security, and object-oriented programming techniques are fully covered in this comprehensive Oracle Press guide. Explore new SQL and PL/SQL features in Oracle Database 12c Build control structures, cursors, and loop statements Work with collections, varrays, tables, and associative array collections Locate and repair errors and employ exception handlers Execute black box, white box, and integration tests Configure and manage stored packages and libraries Handle security with authentication and encryption Use LOBs to store text and multimedia content Write and implement PL/SQL and Java triggers Extend functionality using dynamic SQL statements Understand object types, nested tables, and unnesting queries

Beginning PL/SQL is a fast-paced and blissfully short introduction to Oracle's PL/SQL language. PL/SQL is the built-in language that every Oracle developer and database administrator simply must know. The book shows readers how to apply object-oriented PL/SQL to production applications. No other book on PL/SQL does this. It gives the reader practical advice on what works and what doesn't, and advises on the performance tradeoffs between doing work in SQL versus in PL/SQL. This book gets readers up-to-speed on the core of the language without wasting time on esoteric and seldom used syntax.

Readers get the complete text of the following books on CD-ROM: "Oracle PL/SQL Programming, Advanced PL/SQL Programming, Oracle Web Applications, Oracle Built-in Packages, Oracle Developer's Workbook, Oracle PL/SQL Pocket Reference, Oracle Built-ins Pocket Reference", and "Oracle PL/SQL Programming: A Guide to Oracle 8i Features".

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