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# Preface

The Oracle C++ Call Interface (OCI) is an application programming interface (API) that allows applications written in C++ to interact with one or more Oracle database servers. OCI gives your programs the ability to perform the full range of database operations that are possible with an Oracle database server, including SQL statement processing and object manipulation.

This preface contains these topics:

- [Audience](#)
- [Organization](#)
- [Related Documentation](#)
- [Conventions](#)
- [Documentation Accessibility](#)

## Audience

The *Oracle C++ Call Interface Programmer's Guide* is intended for programmers, system analysts, project managers, and other Oracle users who perform, or are interested in learning about, the following tasks:

- Design and develop database applications in the Oracle environment.
- Convert existing database applications to run in the Oracle environment.
- Manage the development of database applications.

To use this document, you need a basic understanding of object-oriented programming concepts, familiarity with the use of Structured Query Language (SQL), and a working knowledge of application development using C++.

## Organization

This document contains:

### **PART I: OCCI Programming**

Part 1 ([Chapter 1](#) through [Chapter 7](#)) provides information about how to program with OCCI to build scalable application solutions that provide access to relational and object data in an Oracle database.

#### **Chapter 1, "Introduction to OCCI"**

This chapter introduces you to OCCI and describes special terms and typographical conventions that are used in describing OCCI.

#### **Chapter 2, "Relational Programming"**

This chapter gives you the basic concepts needed to develop an OCCI program. It discusses the essential steps each OCCI program must include, and how to retrieve and understand error messages

#### **Chapter 3, "Object Programming"**

This chapter provides an introduction to the concepts involved when using OCCI to access objects in an Oracle database server. The chapter includes a discussion of basic object concepts and object navigational access, and the basic structure of object-relational applications.

### **Chapter 4, "Datatypes"**

This chapter discusses Oracle internal and external datatypes, and necessary data conversions.

### **Chapter 5, "Introduction to LOBs"**

This chapter provides an introduction to LOBs and the related classes and methods.

### **Chapter 6, "Metadata"**

This chapter discusses how to use the `MetaData()` method to obtain information about schema objects and their associated elements.

### **Chapter 7, "How to Use the Object Type Translator Utility"**

This chapter discusses the use of the Object Type Translator (OTT) to convert database object definitions to C++ representations for use in OCCI applications.

## **PART II: The Application Programmer's Interface Reference**

Part 2 ([Chapter 8](#)) describes OCCI classes and methods.

### **Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods"**

This chapter describes the OCCI classes and methods for C++.

## **PART III: Appendix**

Part 3 ([Appendix A](#)) presents the OCCI demonstration programs.

### **Appendix A, "OCCI Demonstration Programs"**

This appendix identifies the OCCI demonstration programs and provides the code for each.

## **Related Documentation**

For more information, see these Oracle resources:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts*
- *Oracle9i SQL Reference*
- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide*
- *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Object-Relational Features.*

- *Oracle9i Database New Features*
- *Oracle Call Interface Programmer's Guide*
- *Oracle9i Database Server Cache Concepts and Administration Guide*

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## Conventions

This section describes the conventions used in the text and code examples of this documentation set. It describes:

- [Conventions in Text](#)
- [Conventions in Code Examples](#)



## Conventions in Text

We use various conventions in text to help you more quickly identify special terms. The following table describes those conventions and provides examples of their use.

Convention	Meaning	Example
<b>Bold</b>	Bold typeface indicates terms that are defined in the text or terms that appear in a glossary, or both.	When you specify this clause, you create an <b>index-organized table</b> .
<i>Italics</i>	Italic typeface indicates book titles or emphasis.	<i>Oracle9i Database Concepts</i> Ensure that the recovery catalog and target database do <i>not</i> reside on the same disk.
UPPERCASE monospace (fixed-width font)	Uppercase monospace typeface indicates elements supplied by the system. Such elements include parameters, privileges, datatypes, RMAN keywords, SQL keywords, SQL*Plus or utility commands, packages and methods, as well as system-supplied column names, database objects and structures, usernames, and roles.	You can specify this clause only for a NUMBER column. You can back up the database by using the BACKUP command. Query the TABLE_NAME column in the USER_TABLES data dictionary view. Use the DBMS_STATS.GENERATE_STATS procedure.
lowercase monospace (fixed-width font)	Lowercase monospace typeface indicates executables, filenames, directory names, and sample user-supplied elements. Such elements include computer and database names, net service names, and connect identifiers, as well as user-supplied database objects and structures, column names, packages and classes, usernames and roles, program units, and parameter values. <b>Note:</b> Some programmatic elements use a mixture of UPPERCASE and lowercase. Enter these elements as shown.	Enter sqlplus to open SQL*Plus. The password is specified in the orapwd file. Back up the datafiles and control files in the /disk1/oracle/dbs directory. The department_id, department_name, and location_id columns are in the hr.departments table. Set the QUERY_REWRITE_ENABLED initialization parameter to true. Connect as oe user. The JRepUtil class implements these methods.
lowercase monospace (fixed-width font) <i>italic</i>	Lowercase monospace italic font represents placeholders or variables.	You can specify the <i>parallel_clause</i> . Run <i>Uold_release</i> .SQL where <i>old_release</i> refers to the release you installed prior to upgrading.

## Conventions in Code Examples

Code examples illustrate SQL, PL/SQL, SQL\*Plus, or other command-line statements. They are displayed in a monospace (fixed-width) font and separated from normal text as shown in this example:

```
SELECT username FROM dba_users WHERE username = 'MIGRATE';
```

The following table describes typographic conventions used in code examples and provides examples of their use.

Convention	Meaning	Example
[ ]	Brackets enclose one or more optional items. Do not enter the brackets.	DECIMAL ( <i>digits</i> [ , <i>precision</i> ])
{ }	Braces enclose two or more items, one of which is required. Do not enter the braces.	{ENABLE   DISABLE}
	A vertical bar represents a choice of two or more options within brackets or braces. Enter one of the options. Do not enter the vertical bar.	{ENABLE   DISABLE} [COMPRESS   NOCOMPRESS]
...	Horizontal ellipsis points indicate either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>That we have omitted parts of the code that are not directly related to the example</li> <li>That you can repeat a portion of the code</li> </ul>	CREATE TABLE ... AS <i>subquery</i> ;  SELECT <i>col1</i> , <i>col2</i> , ... , <i>coln</i> FROM employees;
.	Vertical ellipsis points indicate that we have omitted several lines of code not directly related to the example.	
Other notation	You must enter symbols other than brackets, braces, vertical bars, and ellipsis points as shown.	acctbal NUMBER(11,2); acct CONSTANT NUMBER(4) := 3;
<i>Italics</i>	Italicized text indicates placeholders or variables for which you must supply particular values.	CONNECT SYSTEM/ <i>system_password</i> DB_NAME = <i>database_name</i>

Convention	Meaning	Example
UPPERCASE	Uppercase typeface indicates elements supplied by the system. We show these terms in uppercase in order to distinguish them from terms you define. Unless terms appear in brackets, enter them in the order and with the spelling shown. However, because these terms are not case sensitive, you can enter them in lowercase.	<pre>SELECT last_name, employee_id FROM employees; SELECT * FROM USER_TABLES; DROP TABLE hr.employees;</pre>
lowercase	<p>Lowercase typeface indicates programmatic elements that you supply. For example, lowercase indicates names of tables, columns, or files.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Some programmatic elements use a mixture of UPPERCASE and lowercase. Enter these elements as shown.</p>	<pre>SELECT last_name, employee_id FROM employees; sqlplus hr/hr CREATE USER mjones IDENTIFIED BY ty3MUJ9;</pre>

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# What's New in Oracle C++ Call Interface Programmer's Guide?

This section describes new features in Oracle C++ Call Interface Programmer's Guide and provides pointers to additional information.

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The following new features are new to this release.

- **OTT Markers:** [Carrying Forward User Added Code](#) on page 7-62  
OTT Markers extend functionality of OTT generated code by carrying forward user added code.
  - [Properties of OTT Markers](#) on page 7-63
  - [Where the Markers Can Be Used](#) on page 7-65
  - [Code Samples Showing How To Use OTT Markers](#) on page 7-68
- **Basic Object Operational Flow**
  - [Deletion of an Object](#) on page 3-11
  - [Tuning the Object Cache](#) on page 3-12
- **Navigational Access**
  - [Garbage Collection in the Object Cache](#) on page 3-18
  - [Transactional Consistency of References](#) on page 3-18

The following methods have been added in this release.

- **Blob Class**
  - [setEmpty\(\)](#) on page 8-19
- **Clob Class**
  - [setCharSetId\(\)](#) on page 8-34
  - [setCharSetForm\(\)](#) on page 8-34
  - [setEmpty\(\)](#) on page 8-35
  - [setEmpty\(\)](#)
- **Environment Class**
  - [getCacheMaxSize\(\)](#) on page 8-66
  - [getCacheOptSize\(\)](#) on page 8-66
  - [setCacheMaxSize\(\)](#) on page 8-67
  - [setCacheOptSize\(\)](#) on page 8-67

- **Number Class**
  - [operator signed char\(\)](#) on page 8-119
- **Ref Class**
  - [isClear\(\)](#) on page 8-134
  - [setNull\(\)](#) on page 8-138
- **ResultSet Class**
  - [getDatebaseNCHARParam\(\)](#) on page 149
  - [setDatebaseNCHARParam\(\)](#) on page 8-161

The following methods have been changed in this release.

- **Clob Class**
  - [getCharSetId\(\)](#) on page 8-30
  - [getStream\(\)](#) on page 8-30
  - [read\(\)](#) on page 8-33
  - [write\(\)](#) on page 8-36
  - [writeChunk\(\)](#) on page 8-37
- **Connection Class**
  - [getClientCharSet\(\)](#) on page 40
  - [getClientNCHARCharSet\(\)](#) on page 8-40
- **ResultSet Class**
  - [getCharSet\(\)](#) on page 8-147
- **Statement Class**
  - [getCharSet\(\)](#) on page 8-177
  - [setCharSet\(\)](#) on page 8-193

The following have been renamed in this release.

- **Executing Statements Dynamically**
  - `STREAM_DATA_REMOVE_AVAILABLE` has been renamed to [STREAM\\_DATA\\_AVAILABLE](#) on page 2-19





# Part I

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## OCCI Programmer's Guide

This part contains the following chapters:

- [Chapter 1, "Introduction to OCCI"](#)
- [Chapter 2, "Relational Programming"](#)
- [Chapter 3, "Object Programming"](#)
- [Chapter 4, "Datatypes"](#)
- [Chapter 5, "Introduction to LOBs"](#)
- [Chapter 6, "Metadata"](#)
- [Chapter 7, "How to Use the Object Type Translator Utility"](#)

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# Introduction to OCCI

This chapter provides an overview of Oracle C++ Call Interface (OCCI) and introduces terminology used in discussing OCCI. You are provided with the background information needed to develop C++ applications that run in an Oracle environment.

The following topics are covered:

- [Overview of OCCI](#)
- [Processing of SQL Statements](#)
- [Overview of PL/SQL](#)
- [Special OCCI/SQL Terms](#)
- [Object Support](#)

## Overview of OCCI

Oracle C++ Call Interface (OCCI) is an application program interface (API) that provides C++ applications access to data in an Oracle database. OCCI enables C++ programmers to utilize the full range of Oracle database operations, including SQL statement processing and object manipulation.

OCCI provides for:

- High performance applications through the efficient use of system memory and network connectivity
- Scalable applications that can service an increasing number of users and requests
- Comprehensive support for application development by using Oracle database objects, including client-side access to Oracle database objects
- Simplified user authentication and password management
- n-tiered authentication
- Consistent interfaces for dynamic connection management and transaction management in two-tier client/server environments or multitiered environments
- Encapsulated and opaque interfaces

OCCI provides a library of standard database access and retrieval functions in the form of a dynamic runtime library (OCCI classes) that can be linked in a C++ application at runtime. This eliminates the need to embed SQL or PL/SQL within third-generation language (3GL) programs.

## Benefits of OCCI

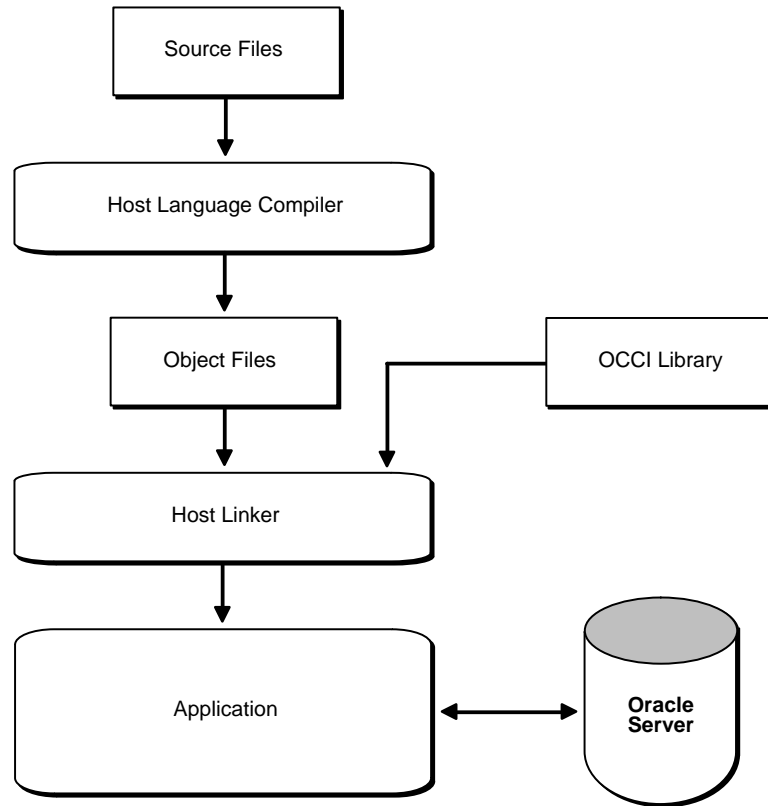
OCCI provides these significant advantages over other methods of accessing an Oracle database:

- Provides OCI functionality
- Leverages C++ and the Object Oriented Programming paradigm
- Easy to use
- Easy to learn for those familiar with JDBC
- Navigational interface to manipulate database objects of user-defined types as C++ class instances

## Building an OCCI Application

As [Figure 1-1](#) shows, you compile and link an OCCI program in the same way that you compile and link a nondatabase application.

**Figure 1-1** *The OCCI Development Process*



Oracle supports most popular third-party compilers. The details of linking an OCCI program vary from system to system. On some platforms, it may be necessary to include other libraries, in addition to the OCCI library, to properly link your OCCI programs.

## Functionality of OCCI

OCCI provides the following functionality:

- APIs to design a scalable, shared server application that can support large numbers of users securely
- SQL access functions, for managing database access, processing SQL statements, and manipulating objects retrieved from an Oracle database server
- Datatype mapping and manipulation functions, for manipulating data attributes of Oracle types

## Procedural and Nonprocedural Elements

Oracle C++ Call Interface (OCCI) enables you to develop scalable, shared server applications on multitiered architecture that combine the nonprocedural data access power of structured query language (SQL) with the procedural capabilities of C++.

In a nonprocedural language program, the set of data to be operated on is specified, but what operations will be performed, or how the operations are to be carried out, is not specified. The nonprocedural nature of SQL makes it an easy language to learn and use to perform database transactions. It is also the standard language used to access and manipulate data in modern relational and object-relational database systems.

In a procedural language program, the execution of most statements depends on previous or subsequent statements and on control structures, such as loops or conditional branches, which are not available in SQL. The procedural nature of these languages makes them more complex than SQL, but it also makes them very flexible and powerful.

The combination of both nonprocedural and procedural language elements in an OCCI program provides easy access to an Oracle database in a structured programming environment.

OCCI supports all SQL data definition, data manipulation, query, and transaction control facilities that are available through an Oracle database server. For example, an OCCI program can run a query against an Oracle database. The queries can require the program to supply data to the database by using input (bind) variables, as follows:

```
SELECT name FROM employees WHERE empno = :empnumber
```

In this SQL statement, `:empnumber` is a placeholder for a value that will be supplied by the application.

In an OCCI application, you can also take advantage of PL/SQL, Oracle's procedural extension to SQL. The applications you develop can be more powerful and flexible than applications written in SQL alone. OCCI also provides facilities for accessing and manipulating objects in an Oracle database server.

## Processing of SQL Statements

One of the main tasks of an OCCI application is to process SQL statements. Different types of SQL statements require different processing steps in your program. It is important to take this into account when coding your OCCI application. Oracle recognizes several types of SQL statements:

- Data definition language (DDL) statements
- Control statements
  - Transaction control statements
  - Connection control statements
  - System control statements
- Data manipulation language (DML) statements
- Queries

## Data Definition Language Statements

Data definition language (DDL) statements manage schema objects in the database. DDL statements create new tables, drop old tables, and establish other schema objects. They also control access to schema objects.

The following is an example of creating and specifying access to a table:

```
CREATE TABLE employees (  
    name      VARCHAR2(20),  
    ssn       VARCHAR2(12),  
    empno     NUMBER(6),  
    mgr       NUMBER(6),  
    salary    NUMBER(6))
```

```
GRANT UPDATE, INSERT, DELETE ON employees TO donna  
REVOKE UPDATE ON employees FROM jamie
```

DDL statements also allow you to work with objects in the Oracle database, as in the following series of statements which create an object table:

```
CREATE TYPE person_t AS OBJECT (  
    name      VARCHAR2(30),  
    ssn       VARCHAR2(12),  
    address   VARCHAR2(50))  
  
CREATE TABLE person_tab OF person_t
```

## Control Statements

OCCI applications treat transaction control, connection control, and system control statements like DML statements.

## Data Manipulation Language SQL Statements

Data manipulation language (DML) statements can change data in database tables. For example, DML statements are used to perform the following actions:

- Insert new rows into a table
- Update column values in existing rows
- Delete rows from a table
- Lock a table in the database
- Explain the execution plan for a SQL statement

DML statements can require an application to supply data to the database by using input (bind) variables. Consider the following statement:

```
INSERT INTO dept_tab VALUES (:1, :2, :3)
```

Either this statement can be executed several times with different bind values, or an array insert can be performed to insert several rows in one round-trip to the server.

DML statements also enable you to work with objects in the Oracle database, as in the following example, which inserts an instance of type `person_t` into the object table `person_tab`:

```
INSERT INTO person_tab  
    VALUES (person_t('Steve May', '123-45-6789', '146 Winfield Street'))
```

## Queries

Queries are statements that retrieve data from tables in a database. A query can return zero, one, or many rows of data. All queries begin with the SQL keyword `SELECT`, as in the following example:



```
SELECT dname FROM dept
WHERE deptno = 42
```

Queries can require the program to supply data to the database server by using input (bind) variables, as in the following example:

```
SELECT name
FROM employees
WHERE empno = :empnumber
```

In this SQL statement, `:empnumber` is a placeholder for a value that will be supplied by the application.

## Overview of PL/SQL

**PL/SQL** is Oracle's procedural extension to the SQL language. PL/SQL processes tasks that are more complicated than simple queries and SQL data manipulation language statements. PL/SQL allows a number of constructs to be grouped into a single block and executed as a unit. Among these are the following constructs:

- One or more SQL statements
- Variable declarations
- Assignment statements
- Procedural control statements (IF ... THEN ... ELSE statements and loops)
- Exception handling

In addition to calling PL/SQL stored procedures from an OCCI program, you can use PL/SQL blocks in your OCCI program to perform the following tasks:

- Call other PL/SQL stored procedures and stored functions.
- Combine procedural control statements with several SQL statements, to be executed as a single unit.
- Access special PL/SQL features such as records, tables, cursor FOR loops, and exception handling
- Use cursor variables
- Access and manipulate objects in an Oracle database

A PL/SQL procedure or function can also return an output variable. This is called an **out bind variable**. For example:

```
BEGIN
  GET_EMPLOYEE_NAME (:1, :2);
END;
```

Here, the first parameter is an input variable that provides the ID number of an employee. The second parameter, or the out bind variable, contains the return value of employee name.

The following PL/SQL example issues a SQL statement to retrieve values from a table of employees, given a particular employee number. This example also demonstrates the use of placeholders in PL/SQL statements.

```
SELECT ename, sal, comm INTO :emp_name, :salary, :commission
  FROM emp
  WHERE ename = :emp_number;
```

Note that the placeholders in this statement are not PL/SQL variables. They represent input and output parameters passed to and from the database server when the statement is processed. These placeholders need to be specified in your program.

## Special OCCI/SQL Terms

This guide uses special terms to refer to the different parts of a SQL statement. Consider the following example of a SQL statement:

```
SELECT customer, address
  FROM customers
  WHERE bus_type = 'SOFTWARE'
  AND sales_volume = :sales
```

This example contains these parts:

- A *SQL command*: `SELECT`
- Two *select-list items*: `customer` and `address`
- A *table name* in the `FROM` clause: `customers`
- Two *column names* in the `WHERE` clause: `bus_type` and `sales_volume`
- A *literal input value* in the `WHERE` clause: `'SOFTWARE'`
- A *placeholder* for an input (bind) variable in the `WHERE` clause: `:sales`

When you develop your OCCI application, you call routines that specify to the database server the value of, or reference to, input and output variables in your

program. In this guide, specifying the placeholder variable for data is called a **bind operation**. For input variables, this is called an **in bind operation**. For output variables, this is called an **out bind operation**.

## Object Support

OCCI has facilities for working with *object types* and *objects*. An **object type** is a user-defined data structure representing an abstraction of a real-world entity. For example, the database might contain a definition of a *person* object. That object type might have *attributes*—`first_name`, `last_name`, and `age`—which represent a person's identifying characteristics.

The object type definition serves as the basis for creating **objects**, which represent instances of the object type. By using the object type as a structural definition, a *person* object could be created with the attributes `John`, `Bonivento`, and `30`. Object types may also contain *methods*—programmatically functions that represent the behavior of that object type.

OCCI provides a comprehensive API for programmers seeking to use the Oracle database server's object capabilities. These features can be divided into several major categories:

- Client-side object cache
- Runtime environment for objects
- Associative and navigational interfaces to access and manipulate objects
- Metadata class to describe object type metadata
- Object Type Translator (OTT) utility, which maps internal Oracle schema information to client-side language bind variables

### See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* and
- *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Object-Relational Features* for a more detailed explanation of object types and objects

## Client-Side Object Cache

The object cache is a client-side memory buffer that provides lookup and memory management support for objects. It stores and tracks objects which have been fetched by an OCCI application from the server to the client side. The client-side object cache is created when the OCCI environment is initialized in `object` mode.

Multiple applications running against the same server will each have their own object cache. The client-side object cache tracks the objects that are currently in memory, maintains references to objects, manages automatic object swapping and tracks the meta-attributes or type information about objects. The client-side object cache provides the following benefits:

- Improved application performance by reducing the number of client/server round-trips required to fetch and operate on objects
- Enhanced scalability by supporting object swapping from the client-side cache
- Improved concurrency by supporting object-level locking

## Runtime Environment for Objects

OCCI provides a runtime environment for objects that offers a set of methods for managing how Oracle objects are used on the client side. These methods provide the necessary functionality for performing these tasks:

- Connecting to an Oracle database server in order to access its object functionality
- Allocating the client-side object cache and tuning its parameters
- Retrieving error and warning messages
- Controlling transactions that access objects in the database
- Associatively accessing objects through SQL
- Describing a PL/SQL procedure or function whose parameters or result are of Oracle object type system types

## Associative and Navigational Interfaces

Applications that use OCCI can access objects in the database through several types of interfaces:

- SQL `SELECT`, `INSERT`, and `UPDATE` statements
- C++ pointers and references to access objects in the client-side object cache by traversing the corresponding references

OCCI provides a set of methods to support object manipulation by using SQL `SELECT`, `INSERT`, and `UPDATE` statements. To access Oracle objects, these SQL statements use a consistent set of steps as if they were accessing relational tables. OCCI provides methods to access objects by using SQL statements for:

- Binding object type instances and references as input and output variables of SQL statements and PL/SQL stored procedures
- Executing SQL statements that contain object type instances and references
- Fetching object type instances and references
- Retrieving column values from a result set as objects
- Describing a select-list item of an Oracle object type

OCCI provides a seamless interface for navigating objects, enabling you to manipulate database objects in the same way that you would operate on transient C++ objects. You can dereference the overloaded arrow (`->`) operator on an object reference to transparently materialize the object from the database into the application space.

## Metadata Class

Each Oracle datatype is represented in OCCI by a C++ class. The class exposes the behavior and characteristics of the datatype by overloaded operators and methods. For example, the Oracle datatype `NUMBER` is represented by the `Number` class.

OCCI provides a metadata class that enables you to retrieve metadata describing database objects, including object types.

## Object Type Translator Utility

The Object Type Translator (OTT) utility translates schema information about Oracle object types into client-side language bindings. That is, OTT translates object type information into declarations of host language variables, such as structures and classes. OTT takes an `intype` file which contains information about Oracle database schema objects as input. OTT generates an `outtype` file and the necessary header and implementation files that must be included in a C++ application that runs against the object schema. OTT has many benefits, including:

- Improving application developer productivity: OTT eliminates the need for application developers to write by hand the host language variables that correspond to schema objects.
- Maintaining SQL as the data definition language of choice: By providing the ability to automatically map Oracle database schema objects that are created by using SQL to host language variables, OTT facilitates the use of SQL as the data definition language of choice. This in turn allows Oracle to support a consistent, enterprise-wide model of the user's data.

- Facilitating schema evolution of object types: OTT provides the ability to regenerate included header files when the schema is changed, allowing Oracle applications to support schema evolution.

OTT is typically invoked from the command line by specifying the `intype` file, the `outtype` file, and the specific database connection.

In summary, OCCI supports the following methods to handle objects in an Oracle database:

- Execution of SQL statements that manipulate object data and schema information
- Passing object references and instances as input variables in SQL statements
- Declaring object references and instances as variables to receive the output of SQL statements
- Fetching object references and instances from a database
- Describing the properties of SQL statements that return object instances and references
- Describing PL/SQL procedures or functions with object parameters or results
- Extending commit and rollback calls to synchronize object and relational functionality

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# Relational Programming

This chapter describes the basics of developing C++ applications using Oracle C++ Call Interface (OCCI) to work with data stored in standard relational databases.

It includes the following topics:

- [Connecting to a Database](#)
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- [Types of SQL Statements in the OCCI Environment](#)
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## Connecting to a Database

You have a number of different options with regard to how your application connects to the database. These options are discussed in the following sections:

- [Creating and Terminating an Environment](#)
- [Opening and Closing a Connection](#)
- [Creating a Connection Pool](#)
- [Utilizing a Shared Server Environment](#)

### Creating and Terminating an Environment

All OCI processing takes place in the context of the `Environment` class. An OCI environment provides application modes and user-specified memory management functions. The following code example shows how you can create an OCI environment:

```
Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment();
```

All OCI objects created with the `createxxx` methods (connections, connection pools, statements) must be explicitly terminated and so, when appropriate, you must also explicitly terminate the environment. The following code example shows how you terminate an OCI environment.

```
Environment::terminateEnvironment(env);
```

In addition, an OCI environment should have a scope that is larger than the scope of any objects created in the context of the that environment. This concept is demonstrated in the following code example:

```
const string userName = "SCOTT";
const string password = "TIGER";
const string connectString = "";

Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment();
{
    Connection *conn = env->createConnection(userName, password, connectString);
    Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement("SELECT blobcol FROM mytable");
    ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery();
    rs->next();
    Blob b = rs->getBlob(1);
    cout << "Length of BLOB : " << b.length();
}
```



```

    .
    .
    .
    stmt->closeResultSet(rs);
    conn->terminateStatement(stmt);
    env->terminateConnection(conn);
}
Environment::terminateEnvironment(env);

```

You can use the mode parameter of the `createEnvironment` method to specify that your application:

- Runs in a threaded environment (`THREADED_MUTEXED` or `THREADED_UNMUTEXED`)
- Uses objects (`OBJECT`)
- Utilizes shared data structures (`SHARED`)

The mode can be set independently in each environment.

## Opening and Closing a Connection

The `Environment` class is the factory class for creating `Connection` objects. You first create an `Environment` instance, and then use it to enable users to connect to the database by means of the `createConnection` method.

The following code example creates an environment instance and then uses it to create a database connection for a database user `scott` with the password `tiger`.

```

Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment();
Connection *conn = env->createConnection("scott", "tiger");

```

You must use the `terminateConnection` method shown in the following code example to explicitly close the connection at the end of the working session. In addition, the OCCI environment should be explicitly terminated.

```

env->terminateConnection(conn);
Environment::terminateEnvironment(env);

```

## Creating a Connection Pool

For many shared server, middle-tier applications, connections to the database should be enabled for a large number of threads, each thread for a relatively short

duration. Opening a connection to the database for every thread would result in inefficient utilization of connections and poor performance.

By employing the **connection pooling** feature, your application can use database management system (DBMS) functionality to manage the connections. Oracle creates a small number of open connections, dynamically selects one of the free connections to execute a statement, and then releases the connection immediately after the execution. This relieves you from creating complex mechanisms to handle connections and optimizes performance in your application.

### Creating a Connection Pool

To create a connection pool, you use the `createConnectionPool` method:

```
virtual ConnectionPool* createConnectionPool(  
    const string &poolUserName,  
    const string &poolPassword,  
    const string &connectString = "",  
    unsigned int minConn =0,  
    unsigned int maxConn =1,  
    unsigned int incrConn =1) = 0;
```

The following parameters are used in the previous method example:

- `poolUserName`: The owner of the connection pool
- `poolPassword`: The password to gain access to the connection pool
- `connectString = ""`: The database name that specifies the database server to which the connection pool is related
- `minConn`: The minimum number of connections to be opened when the connection pool is created
- `maxConn`: The maximum number of connections that can be maintained by the connection pool. When the maximum number of connections are open in the connection pool, and all the connections are busy, an OCI method call that needs a connection waits until it gets one, unless `setErrorOnBusy()` was called on the connection pool
- `incrConn`: The additional number of connections to be opened when all the connections are busy and a call needs a connection. This increment is implemented only when the total number of open connections is less than the maximum number of connections that can be opened in that connection pool

The following code example demonstrates how you can create a connection pool:

```

const string poolUserName = "SCOTT";
const string poolPassword = "TIGER";
const string connectString = "";
const string username = "SCOTT";
const string password = "TIGER";
unsigned int maxConn = 5;
unsigned int minConn = 3;
unsigned int incrConn = 2;

```

```

ConnectionPool *connPool = env->createConnectionPool(poolUserName, poolPassword,
    connectString, minConn, maxConn, incrConn);

```

### See Also:

- [Appendix A, "OC CI Demonstration Programs"](#) and the code example [occipool.cpp](#) that demonstrates how to use the connection pool interface of OC CI

You can also configure all these attributes dynamically. This lets you design an application that has the flexibility of reading the current load (number of open connections and number of busy connections) and tune these attributes appropriately. In addition, you can use the `setTimeout` method to time out the connections that are idle for more than the specified time. The DBMS terminates idle connections periodically so as to maintain an optimum number of open connections.

Each connection pool has a data structure (pool handle) associated with it. This pool handle stores the pool parameters. There is no restriction that one environment must have only one connection pool. There can be multiple connection pools in a single OC CI environment, and these can connect to the same or different databases. This is useful for applications requiring load balancing. However, note that since a pool handle requires memory, multiple connection pools consume more memory.

### Proxy Connections

If you authorize the connection pool user to act as a proxy for other connections, then no password is required to log in database users who use one of the connections in the connection pool to act as a proxy on their behalf.

A proxy connection can be created by using either of the following methods:

```

ConnectionPool->createProxyConnection(const string &name,
    Connection::ProxyType proxyType =
    Connection::PROXY_DEFAULT);

```

or

```
ConnectionPool->createProxyConnection(const string &name,  
    string roles[], int numRoles,  
    Connection::ProxyType proxyType =  
    Connection::PROXY_DEFAULT);
```

The following parameters are used in the previous method example:

- `roles[]`: The roles array specifies a list of roles to be activated after the proxy connection is activated for the client
- `Connection::ProxyType proxyType = Connection::PROXY_DEFAULT`: The enumeration `Connection::ProxyType` lists constants representing the various ways of achieving proxy authentication. `PROXY_DEFAULT` is used to indicate that `name` represents a database username and is the only proxy authentication mode currently supported.

## Executing SQL DDL and DML Statements

SQL is the industry-wide language for working with relational databases. In OCCI you execute SQL commands by means of the `Statement` class.

### Creating a Statement Handle

To create a `Statement` handle, call the `createStatement` method of the `Connection` object, as shown in the following example:

```
Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement();
```

### Creating a Statement Handle to Execute SQL Commands

Once you have created a `Statement` handle, execute SQL commands by calling the `execute`, `executeUpdate`, `executeArrayUpdate`, or `executeQuery` methods on the `Statement`. These methods are used for the following purposes:

- `execute`: To execute all nonspecific statement types
- `executeUpdate`: To execute DML and DDL statements
- `executeQuery`: To execute a query

- `executeArrayUpdate`: To execute multiple DML statements

### Creating a Database Table

Using the `executeUpdate` method, the following code example demonstrates how you can create a database table:

```
stmt->executeUpdate("CREATE TABLE basket_tab
    (fruit VARCHAR2(30), quantity NUMBER)");
```

### Inserting Values into a Database Table

Similarly, you can execute a SQL `INSERT` statement by invoking the `executeUpdate` method:

```
stmt->executeUpdate("INSERT INTO basket_tab
    VALUES('MANGOES', 3)");
```

The `executeUpdate` method returns the number of rows affected by the SQL statement.

#### See Also:

- [Appendix A, "OC CI Demonstration Programs"](#) and the code example [occidml.cpp](#) that demonstrates how to perform insert, select, update, and delete operations of a table row by using OC CI

## Reusing a Statement Handle

You can reuse a statement handle to execute SQL statements multiple times. For example, to repeatedly execute the same statement with different parameters, you specify the statement by the `setSQL` method of the `Statement` handle:

```
stmt->setSQL("INSERT INTO basket_tab VALUES(:1, :2)");
```

You may now execute this `INSERT` statement as many times as required. If at a later time you wish to execute a different SQL statement, you simply reset the statement handle. For example:

```
stmt->setSQL("SELECT * FROM basket_tab WHERE quantity >= :1");
```

Thus, OCCI statement handles and their associated resources are not allocated or freed unnecessarily. You can retrieve the contents of the current statement handle at any time by means of the `getSQL` method.

### SHARED Mode

When a SQL statement is processed, certain underlying data is associated with the statement. This data includes information about statement text and bind data, as well as resultset and describe information for queries. This data remains the same from one execution of a statement to another, even if the statement is executed by different users.

When an OCCI environment is initialized in `SHARED` mode, common statement data is shared between multiple statement handles, thus providing memory savings for the application. This savings may be particularly valuable for applications that create multiple statement handles which execute the same SQL statement on different user sessions, either on the same or multiple connections.

To enable sharing of common metadata across multiple statement handles, create the `Environment` in `SHARED` mode.

## Terminating a Statement Handle

You should explicitly terminate and deallocate a `Statement`:

```
Connection::conn->terminateStatement(Statement *stmt);
```

## Types of SQL Statements in the OCCI Environment

There are three types of SQL statements in the OCCI environment:

- **Standard Statements** use SQL commands with specified values
- **Parameterized Statements** have parameters, or bind variables
- **Callable Statements** call stored PL/SQL procedures

The `Statement` methods are subdivided into those applicable to all statements, to parameterized statements, and to callable statements. Standard statements are a superset of parameterized statements, and parameterized statements are a superset of callable statements.

## Standard Statements

Previous sections describe examples of both DDL and DML commands. For example:

```
stmt->executeUpdate("CREATE TABLE basket_tab
    (fruit VARCHAR2(30), quantity NUMBER)");
```

and

```
stmt->executeUpdate("INSERT INTO basket_tab
    VALUES('MANGOES', 3)");
```

These are each an example of a **standard statement** in which you explicitly define the values of the statement. So, in these examples, the `CREATE TABLE` statement specifies the name of the table (`basket_tab`), and the `INSERT` statement stipulates the values to be inserted (`'MANGOES', 3`).

## Parameterized Statements

You can execute the same statement with different parameters by setting placeholders for the input variables of the statement. These statements are referred to as parameterized statements because they are able to accept input from a user or program by using parameters.

For example, suppose you want to execute an `INSERT` statement with different parameters. You first specify the statement by the `setSQL` method of the `Statement` handle:

```
stmt->setSQL("INSERT INTO basket_tab VALUES(:1, :2)");
```

You then call the `setxxx` methods to specify the parameters, where `xxx` stands for the type of the parameter. The following example invokes the `setString` and `setInt` methods to input the values of these types into the first and second parameters.

To insert a row:

```
stmt->setString(1, "Bananas");    // value for first parameter
stmt->setInt(2, 5);              // value for second parameter
```

Having specified the parameters, you insert values into the row:

```
stmt->executeUpdate();           // execute statement
```

To insert another row:

```
stmt->setString(1, "Apples");     // value for first parameter
stmt->setInt(2, 9);               // value for second parameter
```

Having specified the parameters, you again insert values into the row:

```
stmt->executeUpdate();           // execute statement
```

If your application is executing the same statement repeatedly, then avoid changing the input parameter types because a rebind is performed each time the input type changes.

## Callable Statements

PL/SQL stored procedures, as their name suggests, are procedures that are stored on the database server for reuse by an application. By using OCCI, a call to a procedure which contains other SQL statements is referred to as a **callable statement**.

For example, suppose you wish to call a procedure (`countFruit`) that returns the quantity of a specified kind of fruit. To specify the input parameters of a PL/SQL stored procedure, call the `setxxx` methods of the `Statement` class as you would for parameterized statements.

```
stmt->setSQL("BEGIN countFruit(:1, :2); END:");
int quantity;
stmt->setString(1, "Apples");
// specify the first (IN) parameter of procedure
```

However, before calling a stored procedure, you need to specify the type and size of any OUT and IN/OUT parameters by calling the `registerOutParam` method.

```
stmt->registerOutParam(2, Type::OCCIINT, sizeof(quantity));
// specify the type and size of the second (OUT) parameter
```

You now execute the statement by calling the procedure:

```
stmt->executeUpdate();           // call the procedure
```



Finally, you obtain the output parameters by calling the relevant `getxxx` method:

```
quantity = stmt->getInt(2);    // get the value of the second (OUT) parameter
```

### Callable Statements with Arrays as Parameters

A PL/SQL stored procedure executed through a callable statement can have array of values as parameters. The number of elements in the array and the dimension of elements in the array are specified through the `setDataBufferArray` method.

The following example shows the `setDataBufferArray` method:

```
void setDataBufferArray(int paramIndex,  
    void *buffer,  
    Type type,  
    ub4 arraySize,  
    ub4 *arrayLength,  
    sb4 elementSize,  
    sb2 *ind = NULL,  
    ub2 *rc = NULL);
```

The following parameters are used in the previous method example:

- `paramIndex`: Parameter number
- `buffer`: Data buffer containing an array of values
- `Type`: Type of data in the data buffer
- `arraySize`: Maximum number of elements in the array
- `arrayLength`: Number of elements in the array
- `elementSize`: Size of the current element in the array
- `ind`: Indicator information
- `rc`: Return code

#### See Also:

- [Appendix A, "OCCI Demonstration Programs"](#) and the code example [occiproc.cpp](#) that demonstrates how to invoke PL/SQL procedures with bind parameters

## Streamed Reads and Writes

Streamed data is of three kinds:

- A writable stream corresponds to an `IN` bind variable.
- A readable stream corresponds to an `OUT` bind variable.
- A bidirectional stream corresponds to an `IN/OUT` bind variable.

OCCI supports streamed parameters for parameterized and callable statements of all three kinds: `IN`, `OUT`, and `IN/OUT`.

## Modifying Rows Iteratively

While you can issue the `executeUpdate` method repeatedly for each row, OCCI provides an efficient mechanism for sending data for multiple rows in a single network round-trip. To do this, use the `addIteration` method of the `Statement` class to perform batch operations that modify a different row with each iteration.

To execute `INSERT`, `UPDATE`, and `DELETE` operations iteratively, you must:

- Set the maximum number of iterations
- Set the maximum parameter size for variable length parameters

### Setting the Maximum Number of Iterations

For iterative execution, first specify the maximum number of iterations that would be done for the statement by calling the `setMaxIterations` method:

```
Statement->setMaxIterations(int maxIterations)
```

You can retrieve the current maximum iterations setting by calling the `getMaxIterations` method.

### Setting the Maximum Parameter Size

If the iterative execution involves variable length datatypes, such as `string` and `Bytes`, then you must set the maximum parameter size so that OCCI can allocate the maximum size buffer:

```
Statement->setMaxParamSize(int parameterIndex, int maxParamSize)
```

You do not need to set the maximum parameter size for fixed length datatypes, such as `Number` and `Date`, or for parameters that use the `setDataBuffer` method.

You can retrieve the current maximum parameter size setting by calling the `getMaxParamSize` method.

### Executing an Iterative Operation

Once you have set the maximum number of iterations and (if necessary) the maximum parameter size, iterative execution using a parameterized statement is straightforward, as shown in the following example:

```
stmt->setSQL("INSERT INTO basket_tab VALUES(:1, :2)");

stmt->setString(1, "Apples");      // value for first parameter of first row
stmt->setInt(2, 6);                // value for second parameter of first row
stmt->addIteration();             // add the iteration

stmt->setString(1, "Oranges");     // value for first parameter of second row
stmt->setInt(2, 4);               // value for second parameter of second row

stmt->executeUpdate();            // execute statement
```

As shown in the example, you call the `addIteration` method after each iteration except the last, after which you invoke `executeUpdate` method. Of course, if you did not have a second row to insert, then you would not need to call the `addIteration` method or make the subsequent calls to the `setxxx` methods.

### Iterative Execution Usage Notes

- Iterative execution is designed only for use in `INSERT`, `UPDATE` and `DELETE` operations that use either standard or parameterized statements. It cannot be used for callable statements and queries.
- The datatype cannot be changed between iterations. For example, if you use `setInt` for parameter 1, then you cannot use `setString` for the same parameter in a later iteration.

## Executing SQL Queries

SQL query statements allow your applications to request information from a database based on any constraints specified. A result set is returned as a result of a query.

## Result Set

Execution of a database query puts the results of the query into a set of rows called the result set. In OCCI, a SQL `SELECT` statement is executed by the `executeQuery` method of the `Statement` class. This method returns an `ResultSet` object that represents the results of a query.

```
ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery("SELECT * FROM basket_tab");
```

Once you have the data in the result set, you can perform operations on it. For example, suppose you wanted to print the contents of this table. The `next` method of the `ResultSet` is used to fetch data, and the `getxxx` methods are used to retrieve the individual columns of the result set, as shown in the following code example:

```
cout << "The basket has:" << endl;

while (rs->next())
{
    string fruit = rs->getString(1);    // get the first column as string
    int quantity = rs->getInt(2);      // get the second column as int

    cout << quantity << " " << fruit << endl;
}
```

The `next` and `status` methods of the `ResultSet` class return an enumerated type of `Status`. The possible values of `Status` are:

- `DATA_AVAILABLE`
- `END_OF_FETCH = 0`
- `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE`

If data is available for the current row, then the status is `DATA_AVAILABLE`. After all the data has been read, the status changes to `END_OF_FETCH`.

If there are any output streams to be read, then the status is `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE` until all the stream data is successfully read, as shown in the following code example:

```
ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery("SELECT * FROM demo_tab");
ResultSet::Status status = rs->status();    // status is DATA_AVAILABLE
while (rs->next())
{
    get data and process;
```

```
}

```

When the entire result set has been traversed, then the status changes to `END_OF_FETCH` which terminates the `WHILE` loop.

The following is an example for streams for a result set:

```
char buffer[4096];
ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery
    ("SELECT col2 FROM tab1 WHERE col1 = 11");
ResultSet *rs = stmt->getResultSet ();

while (rs->next ())
{
    unsigned int length = 0;
    unsigned int size = 500;
    Stream *stream = rs->getStream (2);
    while (stream->status () == Stream::READY_FOR_READ)
    {
        length += stream->readBuffer (buffer +length, size);
    }
    cout << "Read " << length << " bytes into the buffer" << endl;
}

```

## Specifying the Query

The `IN` bind variables can be used with queries to specify constraints in the `WHERE` clause of a query. For example, the following program prints only those items that have a minimum quantity of 4:

```
stmt->setSQL("SELECT * FROM basket_tab WHERE quantity >= :1");
int minimumQuantity = 4;
stmt->setInt(1, minimumQuantity); // set first parameter
ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery();
cout << "The basket has:" << endl;

while (rs->next())
    cout << rs->getInt(2) << " " << rs->getString(1) << endl;

```

## Optimizing Performance by Setting Prefetch Count

Although the `ResultSet` method retrieves data one row at a time, the actual fetch of data from the server need not entail a network round-trip for each row queried.

To maximize the performance, you can set the number of rows to prefetch in each round-trip to the server.

You effect this either by setting the number of rows to be prefetched (`setPrefetchRowCount`), or by setting the memory size to be used for prefetching (`setPrefetchMemorySize`).

If you set both of these attributes, then the specified number of rows are prefetched unless the specified memory limit is reached first. If the specified memory limit is reached first, then the prefetch returns as many rows as will fit in the memory space defined by the call to the `setPrefetchMemorySize` method.

By default, prefetching is turned on, and the database fetches an extra row all the time. To turn prefetching off, set both the prefetch row count and memory size to zero.

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**Note:** Prefetching is not in effect if LONG columns are part of the query. Queries containing LOB columns *can* be prefetched, because the LOB locator, rather than the data, is returned by the query.

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## Executing Statements Dynamically

When you know that you need to execute a DML operation, you use the `executeUpdate` method. Similarly, when you know that you need to execute a query, you use `executeQuery`.

If your application needs to allow for dynamic events and you cannot be sure of which statement will need to be executed at run time, then OCCI provides the `execute` method. Invoking the `execute` method returns one of the following statuses:

- `UNPREPARED`
- `PREPARED`
- `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE`
- `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE`
- `NEEDS_STREAM_DATA`
- `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE`

While invoking the `execute` method will return one of these statuses, you can also interrogate the statement by using the `status` method.

```
Statement stmt = conn->createStatement();
Statement::Status status = stmt->status();           // status is UNPREPARED
stmt->setSQL("select * from emp");
status = stmt->status();                             // status is PREPARED
```

If a statement handle is created with a SQL string, then it is created in a `PREPARED` state. For example:

```
Statement stmt = conn->createStatement("insert into foo(id) values(99)");
Statement::Status status = stmt->status();           // status is PREPARED
status = stmt->execute();                             // status is UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE
```

When you set another SQL statement on the `Statement`, the status changes to `PREPARED`. For example:

```
stmt->setSQL("select * from emp");                     // status is PREPARED
status = stmt->execute();                             // status is RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE
```

## Status Definitions

This section describes the possible values of `Status` related to a statement handle:

- `UNPREPARED`
- `PREPARED`
- `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE`
- `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE`
- `NEEDS_STREAM_DATA`
- `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE`

### UNPREPARED

If you have not used the `setSQL` method to attribute a SQL string to a statement handle, then the statement is in an `UNPREPARED` state.

```
Statement stmt = conn->createStatement();
Statement::Status status = stmt->status();           // status is UNPREPARED
```

### PREPARED

If a `Statement` is created with a SQL string, then it is created in a `PREPARED` state. For example:

```
Statement stmt = conn->createStatement("INSERT INTO demo_tab(id)
```

```
VALUES(99)");  
Statement::Status status = stmt->status();    // status is PREPARED
```

Setting another SQL statement on the Statement will also change the status to PREPARED. For example:

```
status = stmt->execute();                    // status is UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE  
stmt->setSQL("SELECT * FROM demo_tab");     // status is PREPARED
```

### RESULT\_SET\_AVAILABLE

A status of `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE` indicates that a properly formulated query has been executed and the results are accessible through a result set.

When you set a statement handle to a query, it is `PREPARED`. Once you have executed the query, the statement changes to `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE`. For example:

```
stmt->setSQL("SELECT * from EMP");          // status is PREPARED  
status = stmt->execute();                  // status is RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE
```

To access the data in the result set, issue the following statement:

```
ResultSet *rs = Statement->getResultSet();
```

### UPDATE\_COUNT\_AVAILABLE

When a DDL or DML statement in a `PREPARED` state is executed, its state changes to `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE`, as shown in the following code example:

```
Statement stmt = conn->createStatement("INSERT INTO demo_tab(id) VALUES(99)");  
Statement::Status status = stmt->status();    // status is PREPARED  
status = stmt->execute();                    // status is UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE
```

This status refers to the number of rows affected by the execution of the statement. It indicates that:

- The statement did not include any input or output streams.
- The statement was not a query but either a DDL or DML statement.

You can obtain the number of rows affected by issuing the following statement:

```
Statement->getUpdateCount();
```



Note that a DDL statement will result in an update count of zero (0). Similarly, an update that does not meet any matching conditions will also produce a count of zero (0). In such a case, you cannot infer the kind of statement that has been executed from the reported status.

### **NEEDS\_STREAM\_DATA**

If there are any output streams to be written, the execute does not complete until all the stream data is completely provided. In such a case, the status changes to `NEEDS_STREAM_DATA` to indicate that a stream must be written. After writing the stream, call the `status` method to find out if more stream data should be written, or whether the execution has completed.

In cases in which your statement includes multiple streamed parameters, use the `getCurrentStreamParam` method to discover which parameter needs to be written.

If you are performing an iterative or array execute, then the `getCurrentStreamIteration` method reveals to which iteration the data is to be written.

Once all the stream data has been handled, the status changes to either `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE` or `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE`.

### **STREAM\_DATA\_AVAILABLE**

This status indicates that the application requires some stream data to be read in `OUT` or `IN/OUT` parameters before the execution can finish. After reading the stream, call the `status` method to find out if more stream data should be read, or whether the execution has completed.

In cases in which your statement includes multiple streamed parameters, use the `getCurrentStreamParam` method to discover which parameter needs to be read.

If you are performing an iterative or array execute, then the `getCurrentStreamIteration` method reveals from which iteration the data is to be read.

Once all the stream data has been handled, the status changes to `UPDATE_COUNT_REMOVE_AVAILABLE`.

The `ResultSet` class also has readable streams and it operates similar to the readable streams of the `Statement` class.

## Committing a Transaction

All SQL DML statements are executed in the context of a transaction. An application causes the changes made by these statement to become permanent by either committing the transaction, or undoing them by performing a rollback. While the SQL `COMMIT` and `ROLLBACK` statements can be executed with the `executeUpdate` method, you can also call the `Connection::commit` and `Connection::rollback` methods.

If you want the DML changes that were made to be committed immediately, you can turn on the auto commit mode of the `Statement` class by issuing the following statement:

```
Statement::setAutoCommit(TRUE)
```

Once auto commit is in effect, each change is automatically made permanent. This is similar to issuing a commit right after each execution.

To return to the default mode, auto commit off, issue the following statement:

```
Statement::setAutoCommit(FALSE)
```

## Error Handling

Each OCCI method is capable of returning a return code indicating whether the method was successful or not. In other words, an OCCI method can throw an exception. This exception is of type `SQLException`. OCCI uses the C++ Standard Template Library (STL), so any exception that can be thrown by the STL can also be thrown by OCCI methods.

The STL exceptions are derived from the standard `exception` class. The `exception::what()` method returns a pointer to the error text. The error text is guaranteed to be valid during the catch block

The `SQLException` class contains Oracle specific error numbers and messages. It is derived from the standard `exception` class, so it too can obtain the error text by using the `exception::what()` method.

In addition, the `SQLException` class has two methods it can use to obtain error information. The `getErrorCode` method returns the Oracle error number. The same error text returned by `exception::what()` can be obtained by the `getMessage` method. The `getMessage` method returns an STL string so that it can be copied like any other STL string.

Based on your error handling strategy, you may choose to handle OCCI exceptions differently from standard exceptions, or you may choose not to distinguish between the two.

If you decide that it is not important to distinguish between OCCI exceptions and standard exceptions, your catch block might look similar to the following:

```
catch (exception &excp)
{
    cerr << excp.what() << endl;
}
```

Should you decide to handle OCCI exceptions differently than standard exceptions, your catch block might look like the following:

```
catch (SQLException &sqlExcp)
{
    cerr <<sqlExcp.getErrorCode << ": " << sqlExcp.getErrorMessage() << endl;
}
catch (exception &excp)
{
    cerr << excp.what() << endl;
}
```

In the preceding catch block, SQL exceptions are caught by the first block and non-SQL exceptions are caught by the second block. If the order of these two blocks were to be reversed, SQL exceptions would never be caught. Since `SQLException` is derived from the standard `exception`, the standard exception catch block would handle the SQL exception as well.

**See Also:** *Oracle9i Database Error Messages* for more information about Oracle error messages.

## Null and Truncated Data

In general, OCCI does not cause an exception when the data value retrieved by using the `getxxx` methods of the `ResultSet` class or `Statement` class is null or truncated. However, this behavior can be changed by calling the `setErrorOnNull` method or `setErrorOnTruncate` method. If the `setErrorxxx` methods are called with `causeException=TRUE`, then an `SQLException` is raised when a data value is null or truncated.

The default behavior is to not raise an `SQLException`. In this case, null data is returned as zero (0) for numeric values and null strings for character values.

For data retrieved through the `setDataBuffer` method and `setDataBufferArray` method, exception handling behavior is controlled by the presence or absence of indicator variables and return code variables as shown in [Table 2-1](#), [Table 2-2](#), and [Table 2-3](#).

**Table 2-1 Normal Data - Not Null and Not Truncated**

Return Code	Indicator - not provided	Indicator - provided
Not provided	error = 0	error = 0 indicator = 0
Provided	error = 0 return code = 0	error = 0 indicator = 0 return code = 0

**Table 2-2 Null Data**

Return Code	Indicator - not provided	Indicator - provided
Not provided	<code>SQLException</code> error = 1405	error = 0 indicator = -1
Provided	<code>SQLException</code> error = 1405 return code = 1405	error = 0 indicator = -1 return code = 1405

**Table 2-3 Truncated Data**

Return Code	Indicator - not provided	Indicator - provided
Not provided	<code>SQLException</code> error = 1406	<code>SQLException</code> error = 1406 indicator = data_len
Provided	error = 24345 return code = 1405	error = 24345 indicator = data_len return code = 1406

In [Table 2-3](#), `data_len` is the actual length of the data that has been truncated if this length is less than or equal to `SB2MAXVAL`. Otherwise, the indicator is set to -2.

## Advanced Relational Techniques

The following advanced techniques are discussed in this section:

- Utilizing a Shared Server Environment
- Optimizing Performance

### Utilizing a Shared Server Environment

#### Thread Safety

Threads are lightweight processes that exist within a larger process. Threads each share the same code and data segments, but have their own program counters, machine registers, and stack. Global and static variables are common to all threads, and a mutual exclusivity mechanism may be required to manage access to these variables from multiple threads within an application.

Once spawned, threads run asynchronously to one another. They can access common data elements and make OCI calls in any order. Because of this shared access to data elements, a mechanism is required to maintain the integrity of data being accessed by multiple threads. The mechanism to manage data access takes the form of mutexes (mutual exclusivity locks), which ensure that no conflicts arise between multiple threads that are accessing shared resources within an application. In OCI, mutexes are granted on an OCI environment basis.

This thread safety feature of the Oracle database server and OCI library enables developers to use OCI in a shared server environment with these added benefits:

- Multiple threads of execution can make OCI calls with the same result as successive calls made by a single thread.
- When multiple threads make OCI calls, there are no side effects between threads.
- Even if you do not write a shared server program, you do not pay any performance penalty for including thread-safe OCI calls.
- Use of multiple threads can improve program performance. You can discern gains on multiprocessor systems where threads run concurrently on separate

processors, and on single processor systems where overlap can occur between slower operations and faster operations.

### Thread Safety and Three-Tier Architectures

In addition to client/server applications, where the client can be a shared server program, a typical use of shared server applications is in three-tier (also called client-agent-server) architectures. In this architecture, the client is concerned only with presentation services. The agent (or application server) processes the application logic for the client application. Typically, this relationship is a many-to-one relationship, with multiple clients sharing the same application server.

The server tier in the three-tier architecture is an Oracle database server. The applications server (agent) is very well suited to being a shared server application server, with each thread serving a client application. In an Oracle environment, this middle-tier application server is an OCCI or precompiler program.

### Implementing Thread Safety

In order to take advantage of thread safety by using OCCI, an application must be running on a thread-safe platform. Then the application must inform OCCI that the application is running in shared server mode by specifying `THREADED_MUTEXED` or `THREADED_UNMUTEXED` for the mode parameter of the `createEnvironment` method. For example, to turn on mutual exclusivity locking, issue the following statement:

```
Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment(Environment::THREADED_
MUTEXED);
```

Note that once `createEnvironment` is called with `THREADED_MUTEXED` or `THREADED_UNMUTEXED`, all subsequent calls to the `createEnvironment` method must also be made with `THREADED_MUTEXED` or `THREADED_UNMUTEXED` modes.

If a shared server application is running on a thread-safe platform, then the OCCI library will manage mutexes for the application on a for each-OCCI-environment basis. However, you can override this feature and have your application maintain its own mutex scheme. This is done by specifying a mode value of `THREADED_UNMUTEXED` to the `createEnvironment` method.

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**Note:**

- Applications running on non-thread-safe platforms should not pass a value of `THREADED_MUTEXED` or `THREADED_UNMUTEXED` to the `createEnvironment` method.
  - If an application is single threaded, whether or not the platform is thread safe, the application should pass a value of `Environment::DEFAULT` to the `createEnvironment` method. This is also the default value for the `mode` parameter. Single threaded applications which run in `THREADED_MUTEXED` mode may incur performance degradation.
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### Shared Server Concurrency

As an application programmer, you have two basic options regarding concurrency in a shared server environment:

- Automatic serialization, in which you utilize OCCI's transparent mechanisms
- Application-provided serialization, in which you manage the contingencies involved in maintaining multiple threads

**Automatic Serialization** In cases where there are multiple threads operating on objects (connections and connection pools) derived from an OCCI environment, you can elect to let OCCI serialize access to those objects. The first step is to pass a value of `THREADED_MUTEXED` to the `createEnvironment` method. At this point, the OCCI library automatically acquires a mutex on thread-safe objects in the environment.

When the OCCI environment is created with `THREADED_MUTEXED` mode, then only the `Environment`, `Map`, `ConnectionPool`, and `Connection` objects are thread-safe. That is, if two threads make simultaneous calls on one of these objects, then OCCI serializes them internally. However, note that all other OCCI objects, such as `Statement`, `ResultSet`, `SQLException`, `Stream`, and so on, are not thread-safe as, applications should not operate on these objects simultaneously from multiple threads.

Note that the bulk of processing for an OCCI call happens on the server, so if two threads that use OCCI calls go to the same connection, then one of them could be blocked while the other finishes processing at the server.

**Application-Provided Serialization** In cases where there are multiple threads operating on objects derived from an OCCI environment, you can choose to manage serialization. The first step is to pass a value of `THREADED_UNMUTEXED` for the `createEnvironment` mode. In this case the application must mutually exclusively lock OCCI calls made on objects derived from the same OCCI environment. This has the advantage that the mutex scheme can be optimized based on the application design to gain greater concurrency.

When an OCCI environment is created in this mode, OCCI recognizes that the application is running in a shared server environment, but that OCCI need not acquire its internal mutexes. OCCI assumes that all calls to methods of objects derived from that OCCI environment are serialized by the application. You can achieve this two different ways:

- Each thread has its own environment. That is, the environment and all objects derived from it (connections, connection pools, statements, result sets, and so on) are not shared across threads. In this case your application need not apply any mutexes.
- If the application shares an OCCI environment or any object derived from the environment across threads, then it must serialize access to those objects (by using a mutex, and so on) such that only one thread is calling an OCCI method on any of those objects.

Basically, in both cases, no mutexes are acquired by OCCI. You must ensure that only one OCCI call is in process on any object derived from the OCCI environment at any given time when `THREADED_UNMUTEXED` is used.

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**Note:**

- OCCI is optimized to reuse handles as much as possible. Since each environment has its own heap, multiple environments result in increased consumption of memory. Having multiple environments may imply duplicating work with regard to connections, connection pools, statements, and result set objects. This will result in further memory consumption.
  - Having multiple connections to the server results in more resource consumptions on the server and network. Having multiple environments would normally entail more connections.
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## Optimizing Performance

When you provide data for bind parameters by the `setxxx` methods in parameterized statements, the values are copied into an internal data buffer, and the copied values are then provided to the database server for insertion. This data copying may be expensive, especially if large strings are involved. Also, for each new value, the string is reallocated, so there may be memory management overhead in repeated allocation and deallocation of strings.

For these reasons, OCCI provides several methods to help counter these performance drains. These methods are:

- `setDataBuffer`
- `executeArrayUpdate`
- `next` (of the `ResultSet` class)

### **setDataBuffer Method**

For high performance applications, OCCI provides the `setDataBuffer` method whereby the data buffer is managed by the application. The following example shows the `setDataBuffer` method:

```
void setDataBuffer(int paramIndex,
                  void *buffer,
                  Type type,
                  sb4 size,
                  ub2 *length,
                  sb2 *ind = NULL,
                  ub2 *rc = NULL);
```

The following parameters are used in the previous method example:

- `paramIndex`: Parameter number
- `buffer`: Data buffer containing data
- `type`: Type of the data in the data buffer
- `size`: Size of the data buffer
- `length`: Current length of data in the data buffer
- `ind`: Indicator information. This indicates whether the data is `NULL` or not. For parameterized statements, a value of `-1` means a `NULL` value is to be inserted. For data returned from callable statements, a value of `-1` means `NULL` data is retrieved.

- `rc`: Return code. This variable is not applicable to data provided to the `Statement` method. However, for data returned from callable statements, the return code specifies parameter-specific error numbers.

Not all datatypes can be provided and retrieved by means of the `setDataBuffer` method. For instance, C++ Standard Library strings cannot be provided with the `setDataBuffer` interface. Currently, only the following types can be provided or retrieved:

<code>OCCI_SQLT_CHR</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_NUM</code>	<code>OCCI_INT</code>
<code>OCCI_FLOAT</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_STR</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_VNU</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_PDN</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_LNG</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_VCS</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_NON</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_RID</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_DAT</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_VBI</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_BIN</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_LBI</code>
<code>OCCI_UNSIGNED_INT</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_SLS</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_LVC</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_LVB</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_AFC</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_AVC</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_CUR</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_RDD</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_LAB</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_OSL</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_NTY</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_REF</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_CLOB</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_BLOB</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_BFILEE</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_CFILEE</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_RSET</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_NCO</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_VST</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_ODT</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_DATE</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_TIME</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_TIME_TZ</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_TIMESTAMP</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_TIMESTAMP_TZ</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_INTERVAL_YM</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_INTERVAL_DS</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_TIMESTAMP_LTZ</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_FILE</code>	<code>OCCI_SQLT_CFILE</code>
<code>OCCI_SQLT_BFILE</code>		

There is an important difference between the data provided by the `setxxx` methods and `setDataBuffer` method. When data is copied in the `setxxx` methods, the original can change once the data is copied. For example, you can use a `setString(str1)` method, then change the value of `str1` prior to execute. The value of `str1` that is used is the value at the time `setString(str1)` is called. However, for data provided by means of the `setDataBuffer` method, the buffer must remain valid until the execution is completed.

If `execute` iterates or the `executeArrayUpdate` method is used, then data for multiple rows and iterations can be provided in a single buffer. In this case, the data for the  $i$ th iteration is at `buffer + (i-1) * size` address and the length,

indicator, and return codes are at  $*(length + i)$ ,  $*(ind + i)$ , and  $*(rc + i)$  respectively.

This interface is also meant for use with array executions and callable statements that have array or OUT bind parameters.

The same method is available in the `ResultSet` class to retrieve data without re-allocating the buffer for each fetch.

### executeArrayUpdate Method

If all data is provided with the `setDataBuffer` methods or output streams (that is, no `setxxx` methods besides `setDataBuffer` or `getStream` are called), then there is a simplified way of doing iterative execution.

In this case, you should not call `setMaxIterations` and `setMaxParamSize`. Instead call the `setDataBuffer` (or `getStream`) method for each parameter with the appropriate size arrays to provide data for each iteration, followed by the `executeArrayUpdate(int arrayLength)` method. The `arrayLength` parameter specifies the number of elements provided in each buffer. Essentially, this is same as setting the number of iterations to `arrayLength` and executing the statement.

Since the stream parameters are specified only once, they can be used with array executes as well. However, if any `setxxx` methods are used, then the `addIteration` method is called to provide data for multiple rows. To compare the two approaches, consider an example that inserts two employees in the `emp` table:

```
Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement("insert into emp (id, ename)
                                     values(:1, :2)");
char enames[2][] = {"SMITH", "MARTIN"};
ub2 enameLen[2];
for (int i = 0; i < 2; i++)
    enameLen[i] = strlen(enames[i] + 1);
stmt->setMaxIteration(2);           // set maximum number of iterations
stmt->setInt(1, 7369);              // specify data for the first row
stmt->setDataBuffer(2, enames, OCCT_SQLT_STR, sizeof(ename[0]), &enameLen);
stmt->addIteration();
stmt->setInt(1, 7654);              // specify data for the second row
// a setDataBuffer is unnecessary for the second bind parameter as data
// provided through setDataBuffer is specified only once.
stmt->executeUpdate();
```

However, if the first parameter could also be provided through the `setDataBuffer` interface, then, instead of the `addIteration` method, you would use the `executeArrayUpdate` method:

```
stmt ->setSQL("insert into emp (id, ename) values (:1, :2)");
char enames[2][] = {"SMITH", "MARTIN"};
ub2 enameLen[2];
for (int i = 0; i < 2; i++)
    enameLen[i] = strlen(enames[i] + 1);
int ids[2] = {7369, 7654};
ub2 idLen[2] = {sizeof(ids[0]), sizeof(ids[1])};
stmt->setDataBuffer(1, ids, OCCINT, sizeof(ids[0]), &idLen);
stmt->setDataBuffer(2, enames, OCCI_SQLT_STR, sizeof(ename[0]), &len);
stmt->executeArrayUpdate(2);           // data for two rows is inserted.
```

### Array Fetch Using next Method

If the application is fetching data with only the `setDataBuffer` interface or the stream interface, then an array fetch can be executed. The array fetch is implemented by calling the `ResultSet->next(int numRows)` method. This causes up to `numRows` amount of data is fetched for each column. The buffers specified with the `setDataBuffer` interface should be big enough to hold data for multiple rows. Data for the *i*th row is fetched at `buffer + (i - 1) * size` location. Similarly, the length of the data is stored at `*(length + (i - 1))`.

```
int empno[5];
char ename[5][11];
ub2 enameLen[5];
ResultSet *resultSet = stmt->executeQuery("select empno, ename from emp");
resultSet->setDataBuffer(1, &empno, OCCINT);
resultSet->setDataBuffer(2, ename, OCCI_SQLT_STR, sizeof(ename[0]), enameLen);
rs->next(5);           // fetches five rows, enameLen[i] has length of ename[i]
```

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# Object Programming

This chapter provides information on how to implement object-relational programming using the Oracle C++ Call Interface (OCCI).

The following topics are discussed:

- [Overview of Object Programming](#)
- [Working with Objects in OCCI](#)
- [Representing Objects in C++ Applications](#)
- [Developing an OCCI Object Application](#)
- [Overview of Associative Access](#)
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- [Overview of Complex Object Retrieval](#)
- [Working with Collections](#)
- [Using Object References](#)
- [Freeing Objects](#)
- [Type Inheritance](#)
- [A Sample OCCI Application](#)

## Overview of Object Programming

OCCI supports both the associative and navigational style of data access. Traditionally, third-generation language (3GL) programs manipulate data stored in a database by using the **associative access** based on the associations organized by relational database tables. In associative access, data is manipulated by executing SQL statements and PL/SQL procedures. OCCI supports associative access to objects by enabling your applications to execute SQL statements and PL/SQL procedures on the database server without incurring the cost of transporting data to the client.

Object-oriented programs that use OCCI can also make use of **navigational access** that is a key aspect of this programming paradigm. Applications model their objects as a set of interrelated objects that form graphs of objects, the relationships between objects implemented as references (REFs). Typically, an object application that uses navigational access first retrieves one or more objects from the database server by issuing a SQL statement that returns REFs to those objects. The application then uses those REFs to traverse related objects, and perform computations on these other objects as required. Navigational access does not involve executing SQL statements except to fetch the references of an initial set of objects. By using OCCI's API for navigational access, your application can perform the following functions on Oracle objects:

- Creating, accessing, locking, deleting, copying and flushing objects
- Getting references to objects and navigating through the references

This chapter gives examples that show you how to create a persistent object, access an object, modify an object, and flush the changes to the database server. It discusses how to access the object using both navigational and associative approaches.

## Working with Objects in OCCI

Many of the programming principles that govern a relational OCCI application are the same for an object-relational application. An object-relational application uses the standard OCCI calls to establish database connections and process SQL statements. The difference is that the SQL statements that are issued retrieve object references, which can then be manipulated with OCCI's object functions. An object can also be directly manipulated as a value (without using its object reference).

Instances of an Oracle type are categorized into **persistent objects** and **transient objects** based on their lifetime. Instances of persistent objects can be further divided

into **standalone objects** and **embedded objects** depending on whether or not they are referenced by way of an object identifier.

## Persistent Objects

A **persistent object** is an object which is stored in an Oracle database. It may be fetched into the object cache and modified by an OCCI application. The lifetime of a persistent object can exceed that of the application which is accessing it. Once it is created, it remains in the database until it is explicitly deleted. There are two types of persistent objects:

- A **standalone instance** is stored in a database table row, and has a unique object identifier. An OCCI application can retrieve a reference to a standalone object, pin the object, and navigate from the pinned object to other related objects. Standalone objects may also be referred to as **referenceable objects**.

It is also possible to select a referenceable object, in which case you fetch the object *by value* instead of fetching it by reference.

- An **embedded instance** is not stored in a database table row, but rather is embedded within another structure. Examples of embedded objects are objects which are attributes of another object, or objects that exist in an object column of a database table. Embedded objects do not have object identifiers, and OCCI applications cannot get REFs to embedded instances.

Embedded objects may also be referred to as **nonreferenceable objects** or **value instances**. You may sometimes see them referred to as **values**, which is not to be confused with scalar data values. The context should make the meaning clear.

The following SQL examples demonstrate the difference between these two types of persistent objects.

### Creating Standalone Objects: Example

This code example demonstrates how a standalone object is created:

```
CREATE TYPE person_t AS OBJECT
  (name      varchar2(30),
   age       number(3));
CREATE TABLE person_tab OF person_t;
```

Objects that are stored in the object table `person_tab` are standalone objects. They have object identifiers and can be referenced. They can be pinned in an OCCI application.

## Creating Embedded Objects: Example

This code example demonstrates how an embedded object is created:

```
CREATE TABLE department
  (deptno      number,
   deptname    varchar2(30),
   manager     person_t);
```

Objects which are stored in the `manager` column of the `department` table are embedded objects. They do not have object identifiers, and they cannot be referenced. This means they cannot be pinned in an OCCl application, and they also never need to be unpinned. They are always retrieved into the object cache *by value*.

## Transient Objects

A **transient object** is an instance of an object type. Its lifetime cannot exceed that of the application. The application can also delete a transient object at any time.

The Object Type Translator (OTT) utility generates two `operator new` methods for each C++ class, as demonstrated in this code example:

```
class Person : public PObject {
    .
    .
    .
public:
    dvoid *operator new(size_t size);    // creates transient instance
    dvoid *operator new(size_t size, Connection &conn, string table);
                                         // creates persistent instance
}
```

The following code example demonstrates how a transient object can be created:

```
Person *p = new Person();
```

Transient objects cannot be converted to persistent objects. Their role is fixed at the time they are instantiated.

### See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information about objects



## Values

In the context of this manual, a **value** refers to either:

- A scalar value which is stored in a nonobject column of a database table. An OCCI application can fetch values from a database by issuing SQL statements.
- An embedded (nonreferenceable) object.

The context should make it clear which meaning is intended.

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**Note:** It is possible to `SELECT` a referenceable object into the object cache, rather than pinning it, in which case you fetch the object *by value* instead of fetching it by reference.

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## Representing Objects in C++ Applications

Before an OCCI application can work with object types, those types must exist in the database. Typically, you create types with SQL DDL statements, such as `CREATE TYPE`.

### Creating Persistent and Transient Objects

The following sections discuss how persistent and transient objects are created.

#### Creating a Persistent Object

Before you create a persistent object, you must have created the environment and opened a connection. The following example shows how to create a persistent object, `addr`, in the database table, `addr_tab`, created by means of a SQL statement:

```
CREATE TYPE ADDRESS AS OBJECT (state CHAR(2), zip_code CHAR(5));
CREATE TABLE ADDR_TAB OF ADDRESS;
ADDRESS *addr = new(conn, "ADDR_TAB") ADDRESS("CA", "94065");
```

The persistent object is created in the database only when one of the following occurs:

- The transaction is committed (`Connection::commit()`)
- The object cache is flushed (`Connection::flushCache()`)
- The object itself is flushed (`PObject::flush()`)

## Creating a Transient Object

An instance of the transient object `ADDRESS` is created in the following manner:

```
ADDRESS *addr_trans = new ADDRESS("MD", "94111");
```

## Creating Object Representations using the OTT Utility

When your C++ application retrieves instances of object types from the database, it needs to have a client-side representation of the objects. The Object Type Translator (OTT) utility generates C++ class representations of database object types for you. For example, consider the following declaration of a type in your database:

```
CREATE TYPE address AS OBJECT (state CHAR(2), zip_code CHAR(5));
```

The OTT utility produces the following C++ class:

```
class ADDRESS : public PObject {  
  
protected:  
    string state;  
    string zip;  
  
public:  
    void *operator new(size_t size);  
    void *operator new(size_t size, const Session* sess, const string&  
        table);  
    string getSQLTypeName(size_t size);  
    ADDRESS(void *ctx) : PObject(ctx) { };  
    static void *readSQL(void *ctx);  
    virtual void readSQL(AnyData& stream);  
    static void writeSQL(void *obj, void *ctx);  
    virtual void writeSQL(AnyData& stream);  
}
```

These class declarations are automatically written by OTT to a header (.h) file that you name. This header file is included in the source files for an application to provide access to objects. Instances of a `PObject` (as well as instances of classes derived from `PObjects`) can be either transient or persistent. The methods `writeSQL` and `readSQL` are used internally by the OCCI object cache to linearize and delinearize the objects and are not to be used or modified by OCCI clients.

**See Also:**

- [Chapter 7, "How to Use the Object Type Translator Utility"](#) for more information about the OTT utility

## Developing an OCCI Object Application

This section discusses the steps involved in developing a basic OCCI object application.

### Basic Object Program Structure

The basic structure of an OCCI application that uses objects is similar to a relational OCCI application, the difference being object functionality. The steps involved in an OCCI object program include:

1. Initialize the `Environment`. Initialize the OCCI programming environment in object mode.  

Your application will most likely need to include C++ class representations of database objects in a header file. You can create these classes by using the Object Type Translator (OTT) utility, as described in [Chapter 7, "How to Use the Object Type Translator Utility"](#).
2. Establish a Connection. Use the environment handle to establish a connection to the database server.
3. Prepare a SQL statement. This is a local (client-side) step, which may include binding placeholders. In an object-relational application, this SQL statement should return a reference (`REF`) to an object.
4. Access the object.
  - a. Associate the prepared statement with a database server, and execute the statement.
  - b. By using navigational access, retrieve an object reference (`REF`) from the database server and pin the object. You can then perform some or all of the following:
    - \* Manipulate the attributes of an object and mark it as **dirty** (modified)
    - \* Follow a reference to another object or series of objects
    - \* Access type and attribute information
    - \* Navigate a complex object retrieval graph

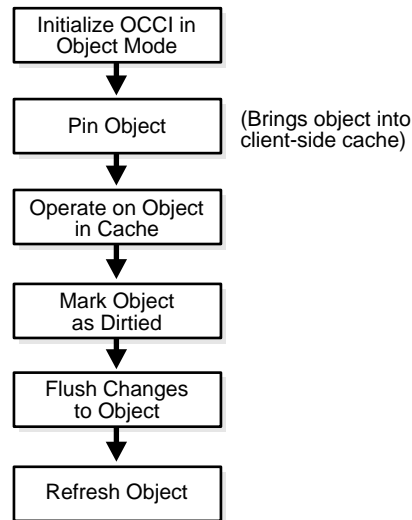
- \* Flush modified objects to the database server
- c. By using associative access, you can fetch an entire object *by value* by using SQL. Alternately, you can select an embedded (nonreferenceable) object. You can then perform some or all of the following:
  - \* Insert values into a table
  - \* Modify existing values
- 5. Commit the transaction. This step implicitly writes all modified objects to the database server and commits the changes.
- 6. Free statements and handles not to be reused or reexecute prepared statements again.

**See Also:**

- [Chapter 2, "Relational Programming"](#) for information about using OCCI to connect to a database server, process SQL statements, and allocate handles
- [Chapter 7, "How to Use the Object Type Translator Utility"](#) for information about the OTT utility
- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods"](#) for descriptions of OCCI relational functions and the `Connect` class and the `getMetaData` method

## Basic Object Operational Flow

[Figure 3-1](#) shows a simple program logic flow for how an application might work with objects. For simplicity, some required steps are omitted.

**Figure 3–1 Basic Object Operational Flow**

The steps shown in [Figure 3–1](#) are discussed in the following sections:

### Initialize OCCI in Object Mode

If your OCCI application accesses and manipulates objects, then it is essential that you specify a value of `OBJECT` for the `mode` parameter of the `createEnvironment` method, the first call in any OCCI application. Specifying this value for `mode` indicates to OCCI that your application will be working with objects. This notification has the following important effects:

- The object run-time environment is established
- The object cache is set up

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**Note:** If the `mode` parameter is not set to `OBJECT`, any attempt to use an object-related function will result in an error.

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The following code example demonstrates how to specify the `OBJECT` mode when creating an OCCI environment:

```
Environment *env;
```

```
Connection *con;
Statement *stmt;

env = Environment::createEnvironment(Environment::OBJECT);
con = env->createConnection(userName, password, connectString);
```

Your application does not have to allocate memory when database objects are loaded into the object cache. The object cache provides transparent and efficient memory management for database objects. When database objects are loaded into the object cache, they are transparently mapped into the host language (C++) representation.

The object cache maintains the association between the object copy in the object cache and the corresponding database object. Upon `commit`, changes made to the object copy in the object cache are automatically propagated back to the database.

The object cache maintains a look-up table for mapping references to objects. When an application dereferences a reference to an object and the corresponding object is not yet cached in the object cache, the object cache automatically sends a request to the database server to fetch the object from the database and load it into the object cache. Subsequent dereferences of the same reference are faster since they are to the object cache itself and do not incur a round-trip to the database server.

Subsequent dereferences of the same reference fetch from the cache instead of requiring a round-trip. The exception to this is in the case of a dereferencing operation that occurs just after a commit. In this case, the latest object copy from the server is returned. This is an enhancement in this release that ensures that the latest object from the database is cached after each transaction.

The object cache maintains a pin count for each persistent object in the object cache. When an application dereferences a reference to an object, the pin count of the object pointed to by the reference is incremented. The subsequent dereferencing of the same reference to the object does not change the pin count. Until the reference to the object goes out of scope, the object will continue to be pinned in the object cache and be accessible by the OCCI client.

The pin count functions as a reference count for the object. The pin count of the object becomes zero (0) only when there are no more references referring to this object, during which time the object becomes eligible for garbage collection. The object cache uses a least recently used algorithm to manage the size of the object cache. This algorithm frees objects with a pin count of 0 when the object cache reaches the maximum size.

## Pin Object

In most situations, OCCI users do not need to explicitly pin or unpin the objects because the object cache automatically keeps track of the pin counts of all the objects in the cache. As explained earlier, the object cache increments the pin count when a reference points to the object and decrements it when the reference goes out of scope or no longer points to the object.

But there is one exception. If an OCCI application uses `Ref<T>::ptr()` method to get a pointer to the object, then the `pin` and `unpin` methods of the `PObject` class can be used by the application to control pinning and unpinning of the objects in the object cache.

## Operate on Object in Cache

Note that the object cache does not manage the contents of object copies; it does not automatically refresh object copies. Your application must ensure the validity and consistency of object copies.

## Flush Changes to Object

Whenever changes are made to object copies in the object cache, your application is responsible for flushing the changed object to the database.

Memory for the object cache is allocated on demand when objects are loaded into the object cache.

The client-side object cache is allocated in the program's process space. This object cache is the memory for objects that have been retrieved from the database server and are available to your application.

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**Note:** If you initialize the OCCI environment in object mode, your application allocates memory for the object cache, whether or not the application actually uses object calls.

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There is only one object cache allocated for each OCCI environment. All objects retrieved or created through different connections within the environment use the same physical object cache. Each connection has its own logical object cache.

## Deletion of an Object

For objects retrieved into the cache by dereferencing a reference, you should not perform an explicit delete. For such objects, the pin count is incremented when a

reference is dereferenced for the first time and decremented when the reference goes out of scope. When the pin count of the object becomes 0, indicating that all references to that object are out of scope, the object is automatically eligible for garbage collection and subsequently deleted from the cache.

For persistent objects that have been created by calling the `new` operator, you must call a `delete` if you do not commit the transaction. Otherwise, the object is garbage collected after the commit. This is because when such an object is created using `new`, its pin count is initially 0. However, because the object is dirty it remains in the cache. After a commit, it is no longer dirty and thus garbage collected. Therefore, a `delete` is not required.

If a commit is not performed, then you must explicitly call `delete` to destroy that object. You can do this as long as there are no references to that object. For transient objects, you must delete explicitly to destroy the object.

You should not call a delete operator on a persistent object. A persistent object that is not marked/dirty is freed by the garbage collector when its pin count is 0. However, for transient objects you must delete explicitly to destroy the object.

### Tuning the Object Cache

The object cache has two important associated parameters:

- The maximum cache size percentage
- The optimal cache size

These parameters refer to levels of cache memory usage, and they help to determine when the cache automatically "ages out" eligible objects to free up memory.

If the memory occupied by the objects currently in the cache reaches or exceeds the maximum cache size, the cache automatically begins to free (or age out) unmarked objects which have a pin count of zero. The cache continues freeing such objects until memory usage in the cache reaches the optimal size, or until it runs out of objects eligible for freeing.

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**Note:** The cache can grow beyond the specified maximum cache size.

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The maximum object cache size (in bytes) is computed by incrementing the optimal cache size (`optimal_size`) by the maximum cache size percentage (`max_size_percentage`), as follows:



```
Maximum cache size = optimal_size + optimal_size * max_size_percentage / 100
```

The default value for the maximum cache size percentage is 10%. The default value for the optimal cache size is 8MB.

These parameters can be set or retrieved using the following member functions of the Environment class:

- `void setCacheMaxSize(unsigned int maxSize);`
- `unsigned int getCacheMaxSize() const;`
- `void setCacheOptSize(unsigned int OptSize);`
- `unsigned int getCacheOptSize() const;`

**See Also:**

- [Chapter 8, "OC CI Classes and Methods"](#) for details.

## Overview of Associative Access

You can employ SQL within OC CI to retrieve objects, and to perform DML operations:

- [Using SQL to Access Objects](#)
- [Inserting and Modifying Values](#)

**See Also:**

- [Appendix A, "OC CI Demonstration Programs"](#) and the code examples [occiobj.typ](#) and [occiobj.cpp](#) for an illustration of the concepts covered in this section

## Using SQL to Access Objects

In the previous sections we discussed navigational access, where SQL is used only to fetch the references of an initial set of objects and then navigate from them to the other objects. Here we will discuss how to fetch the objects using SQL.

The following example shows how to use the `ResultSet::getObject` method to fetch objects through associative access where it gets each object from the table, `addr_tab`, using SQL:

```
string sel_addr_val = "SELECT VALUE(address) FROM ADDR_TAB address";
```

```
ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery(sel_addr_val);

while (rs->next())
{
    ADDRESS *addr_val = rs->getObject(1);
    cout << "state: " << addr_val->getState();
}

```

The objects fetched through associative access are termed value instances and they behave just like transient objects. Methods such as `markModified`, `flush`, and `markDeleted` are applicable only for persistent objects.

Any changes made to these objects are not reflected in the database.

## Inserting and Modifying Values

We have just seen how to use SQL to access objects. OCCI also provides the ability to use SQL to insert new objects or modify existing objects in the database server through the `Statement::setObject` method interface.

The following example creates a transient object `Address` and inserts it into the database table `addr_tab`:

```
ADDRESS *addr_val = new address("NV", "12563"); // new a transient instance
stmt->setSQL("INSERT INTO ADDR_TAB values(:1)");
stmt->setObject(1, addr_val);
stmt->execute();

```

## Overview of Navigational Access

By using navigational access, you engage in a series of operations:

- [Retrieving an Object Reference \(REF\) from the Database Server](#)
- [Pinning an Object](#)
- [Manipulating Object Attributes](#)
- [Marking Objects and Flushing Changes](#)

**See Also:**

- [Appendix A, "OCOCI Demonstration Programs"](#) and the code examples [occipobj.typ](#) and [occipobj.cpp](#) for an illustration of the concepts covered in this section

## Retrieving an Object Reference (REF) from the Database Server

In order to work with objects, your application must first retrieve one or more objects from the database server. You accomplish this by issuing a SQL statement that returns references (REFs) to one or more objects.

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**Note:** It is also possible for a SQL statement to fetch embedded objects, rather than REFs, from a database.

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The following SQL statement retrieves a REF to a single object address from the database table `addr_tab`:

```
string sel_addr = "SELECT REF(address) FROM addr_tab address  
WHERE zip_code = '94065'";
```

The following code example illustrates how to execute the query and fetch the REF from the result set.

```
ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery(sel_addr);  
rs->next();  
Ref<address> addr_ref = rs->getRef(1);
```

At this point, you could use the object reference to access and manipulate the object or objects from the database.

**See Also:**

- ["Executing SQL DDL and DML Statements"](#) on page 2-6 for general information about preparing and executing SQL statements

## Pinning an Object

Upon completion of the fetch step, your application has a REF to an object. The actual object is not currently available to work with. Before you can manipulate an object, it must be **pinned**. Pinning an object loads the object into the object cache,

and enables you to access and modify the object's attributes and follow references from that object to other objects. Your application also controls when modified objects are written back to the database server.

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**Note:** This section deals with a simple pin operation involving a single object at a time. For information about retrieving multiple objects through complex object retrieval, see the section [Overview of Complex Object Retrieval](#) on page 3-19.

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OCCI requires only that you dereference the `REF` in the same way you would dereference any C++ pointer. Dereferencing the `REF` transparently materializes the object as a C++ class instance.

Continuing the `Address` class example from the previous section, assume that the user has added the following method:

```
string Address::getState()
{
    return state;
}
```

To dereference this `REF` and access the object's attributes and methods:

```
string state = addr_ref->getState();    // -> pins the object
```

The first time `Ref<T>` (`addr_ref`) is dereferenced, the object is pinned, which is to say that it is loaded into the object cache from the database server. From then on, the behavior of `operator ->` on `Ref<T>` is just like that of any C++ pointer (`T *`). The object remains in the object cache until the `REF` (`addr_ref`) goes out of scope. It then becomes eligible for garbage collection.

Now that the object has been pinned, your application can modify that object.

## Manipulating Object Attributes

Manipulating object attributes is no different from that of accessing them as shown in the previous section. Let us assume the `Address` class has the following user defined method that sets the `state` attribute to the input value:

```
void Address::setState(string new_state)
{
    state = new_state;
}
```

```
}
```

The following example shows how to modify the state attribute of the object, `addr`:

```
addr_ref->setState("PA");
```

As explained earlier, the first invocation of the operator `->` on `Ref<T>` loads the object if not already in the object cache.

## Marking Objects and Flushing Changes

In the example in the previous section, an attribute of an object was changed. At this point, however, that change exists only in the client-side cache. The application must take specific steps to ensure that the change is written to the database.

### Marking an Object as Modified (Dirty)

The first step is to indicate that the object has been modified. This is done by calling the `markModified` method on the object (derived method of `PObject`). This method marks the object as **dirty** (modified).

Continuing the previous example, after object attributes are manipulated, the object referred to by `addr_ref` can be marked dirty as follows:

```
addr_ref->markModified();
```

## Recording Changes in the Database

Objects that have had their dirty flag set must be flushed to the database server for the changes to be recorded in the database. This can be done in three ways:

- Flush a single object marked dirty by calling the method `flush`, a derived method of `PObject`.
- Flush the entire object cache using the `Connection::flushCache` method. In this case, OCCI traverses the dirty list maintained by the object cache and flushes all the dirty objects.
- Commit a transaction by calling the `Connection::commit` method. Doing so also traverses the dirty list and flushes the objects to the database server. The dirty list includes newly created persistent objects.

## Garbage Collection in the Object Cache

The object cache has two important parameters associated with it which are properties of environment handle:

- maximum cache size
- optimal cache size

These parameters refer to levels of cache memory usage and they help to determine when the cache automatically ages out eligible objects to make memory available.

If the amount of memory occupied by the objects that are currently in the cache reaches or exceeds the high water mark, then the cache automatically begins to free unmarked objects that have a pin count of 0. The cache continues freeing such objects until memory use in the cache is optimized, or until there are no more objects in the cache that are eligible for freeing.

OCCI provides `set` and `get` methods in environments that allow you to set and get the cache maximum/optimal sizes. The maximum cache size is specified as a percentage of cache optimal size. The maximum cache size in bytes is computed as follows:

```
maximum_cache_size = optimal_size + optimal_size * max_size_percentage/100
```

The default value for cache maximum size is 10% and the default value for cache optimal size is 8MB. When a persistent object is created through the overloaded `PObject::new` operator, the newly created object is marked dirty and its pin count is 0.

"Pin Object" on page 3-11 describes how pin count of an object functions as a reference count and how an unmarked object with a 0 pin count can become eligible for garbage collection. In the case of a newly created persistent object, the object is unmarked after the transaction is committed or aborted and if the object has a 0 pin count, in other words there are no references referring to it. The object then becomes a candidate for being aged out.

## Transactional Consistency of References

As described in the previous section, dereferencing a `Ref<T>` for the first time results in the object being loaded into the object cache from the database server. From then on, the behavior of operator `->` on `Ref<T>` is the same as any C++ pointer and it provides access to the object copy in the cache. But once the transaction commits or aborts, the object copy in the cache can no longer be valid because it could be modified by any other client. Therefore, after the transaction

ends, when the `Ref<T>` is again dereferenced, the object cache recognizes the fact that the object is no longer valid and fetches the most up-to-date copy from the database server.

## Overview of Complex Object Retrieval

In the examples discussed earlier, only a single object was fetched or pinned at a time. In these cases, each pin operation involved a separate database server round-trip to retrieve the object.

Object-oriented applications often model their problems as a set of interrelated objects that form graphs of objects. These applications process objects by starting with some initial set of objects and then using the references in these objects to traverse the remaining objects. In a client/server setting, each of these traversals could result in costly network round-trips to fetch objects.

The performance of such applications can be increased through the use of **complex object retrieval (COR)**. This is a prefetching mechanism in which an application specifies some criteria (content and boundary) for retrieving a set of linked objects in a single network round-trip.

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**Note:** Using COR does not mean that these prefetched objects are pinned. They are fetched into the object cache, so that subsequent pin calls are local operations.

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A **complex object** is a set of logically related objects consisting of a root object, and a set of objects each of which is prefetched based on a given depth level. The **root object** is explicitly fetched or pinned. The **depth level** is the shortest number of references that need to be traversed from the root object to a given prefetched object in a complex object.

An application specifies a complex object by describing its content and boundary. The fetching of complex objects is constrained by an environment's **prefetch limit**, the amount of memory in the object cache that is available for prefetching objects.

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**Note:** The use of complex object retrieval does not add functionality; it only improves performance, and so its use is optional.

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## Retrieving Complex Objects

An OCCI application can achieve COR by setting the appropriate attributes of a `Ref<T>` before dereferencing it using the following methods:

```
// prefetch attributes of the specified type name up to the the specified depth
Ref<T>::setPrefetch(const string &typeName, unsigned int depth);
// prefetch all the attribute types up to the specified depth.
Ref<T>::setPrefetch(unsigned int depth);
```

The application can also choose to fetch all objects reachable from the root object by way of REFS (transitive closure) to a certain depth. To do so, set the level parameter to the depth desired. For the preceding two examples, the application could also specify `(PO object REF, OCCI_MAX_PREFETCH_DEPTH)` and `(PO object REF, 1)` respectively to prefetch required objects. Doing so results in many extraneous fetches but is quite simple to specify, and requires only one database server round-trip.

As an example for this discussion, consider the following type declaration:

```
CREATE TYPE customer(...);
CREATE TYPE line_item(...);
CREATE TYPE line_item_varray as VARRAY(100) of REF line_item;
CREATE TYPE purchase_order AS OBJECT
( po_number          NUMBER,
  cust               REF customer,
  related_orders     REF purchase_order,
  line_items         line_item_varray)
```

The `purchase_order` type contains a scalar value for `po_number`, a VARRAY of `line_items`, and two references. The first is to a `customer` type and the second is to a `purchase_order` type, indicating that this type may be implemented as a linked list.

When fetching a complex object, an application must specify the following:

- A reference to the desired root object
- One or more pairs of type and depth information to specify the boundaries of the complex object. The type information indicates which REF attributes should be followed for COR, and the depth level indicates how many levels deep those links should be followed.

In the case of the `purchase_order` object in the preceding example, the application must specify the following:



- The reference to the root `purchase_order` object
- One or more pairs of type and depth information for `customer`, `purchase_order`, or `line_item`

An application prefetching a purchase order will very likely need access to the customer information for that purchase order. Using simple navigation, this would require two database server accesses to retrieve the two objects.

Through complex object retrieval, `customer` can be prefetched when the application pins the `purchase_order` object. In this case, the complex object would consist of the `purchase_order` object and the `customer` object it references.

In the previous example, if the application wanted to prefetch a purchase order and the related customer information, the application would specify the `purchase_order` object and indicate that `customer` should be followed to a depth level of one as follows:

```
Ref<PURCHASE_ORDER> poref;  
poref.setPrefetch("CUSTOMER",1);
```

If the application wanted to prefetch a purchase order and all objects in the object graph it contains, the application would specify the `purchase_order` object and indicate that both `customer` and `purchase_order` should be followed to the maximum depth level possible as follows:

```
Ref<PURCHASE_ORDER> poref;  
poref.setPrefetch("CUSTOMER", OCCI_MAX_PREFETCH_DEPTH);  
poref.setPrefetch("PURCHASE_ORDER", OCCI_MAX_PREFETCH_DEPTH);
```

where `OCCI_MAX_PREFETCH_DEPTH` specifies that all objects of the specified type reachable through references from the root object should be prefetched.

If an application wanted to prefetch a purchase order and all the line items associated with it, the application would specify the `purchase_order` object and indicate that `line_items` should be followed to the maximum depth level possible as follows:

```
Ref<PURCHASE_ORDER> poref;  
poref.setPrefetch("LINE_ITEM", 1);
```

## Prefetching Complex Objects

After specifying and fetching a complex object, subsequent fetches of objects contained in the complex object do not incur the cost of a network round-trip, because these objects have already been prefetched and are in the object cache. Keep in mind that excessive prefetching of objects can lead to a flooding of the object cache. This flooding, in turn, may force out other objects that the application had already pinned leading to a performance degradation instead of performance improvement.

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**Note:** If there is insufficient memory in the object cache to hold all prefetched objects, some objects may not be prefetched. The application will then incur a network round-trip when those objects are accessed later.

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The `SELECT` privilege is needed for all prefetched objects. Objects in the complex object for which the application does not have `SELECT` privilege will not be prefetched.

## Working with Collections

Oracle supports two kinds of collections - variable length arrays (ordered collections) and nested tables (unordered collections). OCCI maps both of them to a Standard Template Library (STL) vector container, giving you the full power, flexibility, and speed of an STL vector to access and manipulate the collection elements. The following is the SQL DDL to create a `VARRAY` and an object that contains an attribute of type `VARRAY`.

```
CREATE TYPE ADDR_LIST AS VARRAY(3) OF REF ADDRESS;  
CREATE TYPE PERSON AS OBJECT (name VARCHAR2(20), addr_1 ADDR_LIST);
```

Here is the C++ class declaration generated by OTT:

```
class PERSON : public PObject  
{  
    protected:  
        string name;  
        vector< Ref< ADDRESS > > addr_1;  
  
    public:  
        void *operator new(size_t size);  
};
```

```

void *operator new(size_t size,
const Session* sess,
const string& table);
string getSQLTypeName(size_t size);
PERSON (void *ctx) : PObject(ctx) { };
static void *readSQL(void *ctx);
virtual void readSQL(AnyData& stream);
static void writeSQL(void *obj, void *ctx);
virtual void writeSQL(AnyData& stream);
}

```

**See Also:**

- [Appendix A, "OC CI Demonstration Programs"](#) and the code examples [occicoll.cpp](#) for an illustration of the concepts covered in this section

## Fetching Embedded Objects

If your application needs to fetch an embedded object—an object stored in a column of a regular table, rather than an object table—you cannot use the REF retrieval mechanism. Embedded instances do not have object identifiers, so it is not possible to get a reference to them. This means that they cannot serve as the basis for object navigation. There are still many situations, however, in which an application will want to fetch embedded instances.

For example, assume that an `address` type has been created.

```

CREATE TYPE address AS OBJECT
( street1          varchar2(50),
  street2          varchar2(50),
  city             varchar2(30),
  state            char(2),
  zip              number(5))

```

You could then use that type as the datatype of a column in another table:

```

CREATE TABLE clients
( name            varchar2(40),
  addr            address)

```

Your OC CI application could then issue the following SQL statement:

```

SELECT addr FROM clients

```

```
WHERE name='BEAR BYTE DATA MANAGEMENT'
```

This statement would return an embedded `address` object from the `clients` table. The application could then use the values in the attributes of this object for other processing. The application should execute the statement and fetch the object in the same way as described in the section "[Overview of Associative Access](#)" on page 3-13.

## Nullness

If a column in a row of a database table has no value, then that column is said to be NULL, or to contain a NULL. Two different types of NULLs can apply to objects:

- Any attribute of an object can have a NULL value. This indicates that the value of that attribute of the object is not known.
- An object may be **atomically NULL**. This means that the value of the entire object is unknown.

Atomic nullness is not the same thing as nonexistence. An atomically NULL object still exists, its value is just not known. It may be thought of as an existing object with no data.

For every type of object attribute, OCCI provides a corresponding class. For instance, `NUMBER` attribute type maps to the `Number` class, `REF` maps to `RefAny`, and so on. Each and every OCCI class that represents a data type provides two methods:

- `isNull` — returns whether the object is null
- `setNull` — sets the object to null

Similarly, these methods are inherited from the `PObject` class by all the objects and can be used to access and set atomically null information about them.

## Using Object References

OCCI provides the application with the flexibility to access the contents of the objects using their pointers or their references. OCCI provides the `PObject::getRef` method to return a reference to a persistent object. This call is valid for persistent objects only.

## Freeing Objects

OCCI users can use the overloaded `PObject::operator new` to create the persistent objects. It is the user's responsibility to free the object by calling the `PObject::operator delete` method.

Note that freeing the object from the object cache is different from deleting the object from the database server. To delete the object from the database server, the user needs to call the `PObject::markDelete` method. The `operator delete` just frees the object and reclaims the memory in the object cache but it does not delete the object from the database server.

## Type Inheritance

Type inheritance of objects has many similarities to inheritance in C++ and Java. You can create an object type as a subtype of an existing object type. The subtype is said to inherit all the attributes and methods (member functions and procedures) of the supertype, which is the original type. Only single inheritance is supported; an object cannot have more than one supertype. The subtype can add new attributes and methods to the ones it inherits. It can also override (redefine the implementation) of any of its inherited methods. A subtype is said to extend (that is, inherit from) its supertype.

### See Also:

- *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Object-Relational Features* for a more complete discussion of this topic

As an example, a type `Person_t` can have a subtype `Student_t` and a subtype `Employee_t`. In turn, `Student_t` can have its own subtype, `PartTimeStudent_t`. A type declaration must have the flag `NOT FINAL` so that it can have subtypes. The default is `FINAL`, which means that the type can have no subtypes.

All types discussed so far in this chapter are `FINAL`. All types in applications developed before release 9.0 are `FINAL`. A type that is `FINAL` can be altered to be `NOT FINAL`. A `NOT FINAL` type with no subtypes can be altered to be `FINAL`. `Person_t` is declared as `NOT FINAL` for our example:

```
CREATE TYPE Person_t AS OBJECT
( ssn NUMBER,
  name VARCHAR2(30),
  address VARCHAR2(100)) NOT FINAL;
```

A subtype inherits all the attributes and methods declared in its supertype. It can also declare new attributes and methods, which must have different names than those of the supertype. The keyword `UNDER` identifies the supertype, like this:

```
CREATE TYPE Student_t UNDER Person_t
( deptid NUMBER,
  major VARCHAR2(30)) NOT FINAL;
```

The newly declared attributes `deptid` and `major` belong to the subtype `Student_t`. The subtype `Employee_t` is declared as, for example:

```
CREATE TYPE Employee_t UNDER Person_t
( empid NUMBER,
  mgr VARCHAR2(30));
```

### See Also:

- ["OTT Support for Type Inheritance"](#) on page 3-28 for the classes generated by OTT for this example.

This subtype `Student_t`, can have its own subtype, such as `PartTimeStudent_t`:

```
CREATE TYPE PartTimeStudent_t UNDER Student_t
( numhours NUMBER) ;
```

### See Also:

- [Appendix A, "OC CI Demonstration Programs"](#) and the code examples [occiinh.typ](#) and [occiinh.cpp](#) for an illustration of the concepts covered in this section

## Substitutability

The benefits of polymorphism derive partially from the property substitutability. Substitutability allows a value of some subtype to be used by code originally written for the supertype, without any specific knowledge of the subtype being needed in advance. The subtype value behaves to the surrounding code just like a value of the supertype would, even if it perhaps uses different mechanisms within its specializations of methods.

Instance substitutability refers to the ability to use an object value of a subtype in a context declared in terms of a supertype. REF substitutability refers to the ability to use a REF to a subtype in a context declared in terms of a REF to a supertype.

REF type attributes are substitutable, that is, an attribute defined as REF T can hold a REF to an instance of T or any of its subtypes.

Object type attributes are substitutable, that is, an attribute defined to be of (an object) type T can hold an instance of T or any of its subtypes.

Collection element types are substitutable, that is, if we define a collection of elements of type T, then it can hold instances of type T and any of its subtypes. Here is an example of object attribute substitutability:

```
CREATE TYPE Book_t AS OBJECT
( title VARCHAR2(30),
  author Person_t /* substitutable */);
```

Thus, a Book\_t instance can be created by specifying a title string and a Person\_t (or any subtype of Person\_t) object:

```
Book_t('My Oracle Experience',
      Employee_t(12345, 'Joe', 'SF', 1111, NULL))
```

## NOT INSTANTIABLE Types and Methods

A type can be declared NOT INSTANTIABLE, which means that there is no constructor (default or user defined) for the type. Thus, it will not be possible to construct instances of this type. The typical usage would be to define instantiable subtypes for such a type. Here is how this property is used:

```
CREATE TYPE Address_t AS OBJECT(...) NOT INSTANTIABLE NOT FINAL;
CREATE TYPE USAddress_t UNDER Address_t(...);
CREATE TYPE IntlAddress_t UNDER Address_t(...);
```

A method of a type can be declared to be NOT INSTANTIABLE. Declaring a method as NOT INSTANTIABLE means that the type is not providing an implementation for that method. Further, a type that contains any NOT INSTANTIABLE methods must necessarily be declared as NOT INSTANTIABLE. For example:

```
CREATE TYPE T AS OBJECT
(
  x NUMBER,
  NOT INSTANTIABLE MEMBER FUNCTION func1() RETURN NUMBER
) NOT INSTANTIABLE;
```

A subtype of `NOT INSTANTIABLE` can override any of the `NOT INSTANTIABLE` methods of the supertype and provide concrete implementations. If there are any `NOT INSTANTIABLE` methods remaining, the subtype must also necessarily be declared as `NOT INSTANTIABLE`.

A `NOT INSTANTIABLE` subtype can be defined under an instantiable supertype. Declaring a `NOT INSTANTIABLE` type to be `FINAL` is not useful and is not allowed.

### OCCI Support for Type Inheritance

The following calls support type inheritance.

#### **Connection::getMetaData()**

This method provides information specific to inherited types. Additional attributes have been added for the properties of inherited types. For example, you can get the supertype of a type.

#### **Bind and Define Functions**

The `setRef`, `setObject` and `setVector` methods of the `Statement` class are used to bind `REF`, `object`, and `collections` respectively. All these functions support `REF`, `instance`, and `collection` element substitutability. Similarly, the corresponding `get.xxx` methods to fetch the data also support substitutability.

### OTT Support for Type Inheritance

Class declarations for objects with inheritance are similar to the simple object declarations except that the class is derived from the parent type class and only the fields corresponding to attributes not already in the parent class are included. The structure for these declarations is as follows:

```
class <typename> : public <parentTypename> {  
  
protected:  
<OCCItype1> <attributename1>;  
    .  
    .  
    .  
<OCCItypen> <attributenamen>;  
  
public:
```



```

void *operator new(size_t size);
void *operator new(size_t size, const Session* sess, const string& table);
string getSQLTypeName(size_t size);
<typename> (void *ctx) : <parentTypeName>(ctx) { };
static void *readSQL(void *ctx);
virtual void readSQL(AnyData& stream);
static void writeSQL(void *obj, void *ctx);
virtual void writeSQL(AnyData& stream);

}

```

In this structure, all the variables are the same as in the simple object case. `parentTypeName` refers to the name of the parent type, that is, the class name of the type from which `typename` inherits.

## A Sample OCCI Application

Following is a sample OCCI application that uses some of the features discussed in this chapter.

First we list the SQL DDL and then the OTT mappings.

```

CREATE TYPE FULL_NAME AS OBJECT (first_name CHAR(20), last_name CHAR(20));
CREATE TYPE ADDRESS AS OBJECT (state CHAR(20), zip CHAR(20));
CREATE TYPE ADDRESS_TAB AS VARRAY(3) OF REF ADDRESS;
CREATE TYPE PERSON AS OBJECT (id NUMBER, name FULL_NAME,
    curr_addr REF ADDRESS, prev_addr_l ADDRESS_TAB);
CREATE TYPE STUDENT UNDER PERSON (school_name CHAR(20));

```

Let us assume OTT generates `FULL_NAME`, `ADDRESS`, `PERSON`, and `PFGRFDENT` class declarations in `demo.h`. The following sample OCCI application will extend the classes generated by OTT and will add some user defined methods.

```

/***** myDemo.h *****/

#include demo.h

// declarations for the MyFullName class.
class MyFullname : public FULLNAME {
public:
    MyFullname(string first_name, string last_name);
    void displayInfo();

```

```
    }

    // declarations for the MyAddress class.
    class MyAddress : public ADDRESS {
    public:
        MyAddress(string state_i, string zip_i);
        void displayInfo();
    }

    // declarations for the MyPerson class.
    class MyPerson : public PERSON {
    public:
        MyPerson(Number id_i, MyFullname *name_i,
                 Ref<MyAddress>& addr_i);
        void move(const Ref<MyAddress>& new_addr);
        void displayInfo();
    }

    /*****myDemo.cpp*****/

    /* initialize MyFullName */
    MyFullName::MyFullname(string first_name, string last_name)
        : FirstName(first_name), LastName(last_name)
    { }

    /* display all the information in MyFullName */
    void MyFullName::displayInfo()
    {
        cout << "FIRST NAME is" << FirstName << endl;
        cout << "LAST NAME is" << LastName << endl;
    }

    /*****
    // method implementations for MyAddress class.
    *****/

    /* initialize MyAddress */
    MyAddress::MyAddress(string state_i, string zip_i)
        : state(state_i), zip(zip_i)
    { }

    /* display all the information in MyAddress */
    void MyAddress::displayInfo()
    {
        cout << "STATE is" << state << endl;
    }

```

```

        cout << "ZIP is" << zip << endl;
    }

/*****
// method implementations for MyPerson class.
*****/

/* initialize MyPerson */
MyPerson::MyPerson(Number id_i,
MyFullName* name_i, const Ref<MyAddress>& addr_i)
    : id(id_i), name(name_i), curr_addr(addr_i)
{ }

/* Move Person from curr_addr to new_addr */
void MyPerson::move(const Ref<MyAddress>& new_addr)
{
    prev_addr_l.push_back(curr_addr);    // append curr_addr to the vector
    curr_addr = new_addr;
    this->mark_modified();                // mark the object as dirty
}

/* Display all the information of MyPerson */
void MyPerson::displayInfo()
{
    cout << "ID is" << CPerson::id << endl;
    name->displayInfo();

    // de-referencing the Ref attribute using -> operator
    curr_addr->displayInfo();
    cout << "Prev Addr List: " << endl;
    for (int i = 0; i < prev_addr_l.size(); i++)
    {
        // access the collection elements using [] operator
        prev_addr_l[i]->displayInfo();
    }
}

/*****
// main function of this OCCI application.
// This application connects to the database as scott/tiger, creates
// the Person (Joe Black) whose Address is in CA, and commits the changes.
// The Person object is then retrieved from the database and its
// information is displayed. A second Address object is created (in PA),
// then the previously retrieved Person object (Joe Black) is moved to

```

```
// this new address. The Person object is then displayed again.
/*****
int main()
{
    Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment()
    Connection *conn = env->createConnection("scott", "tiger");

    /* Call the OTT generated function to register the mappings */
    RegisterMappings(env);

    /* create a persistent object of type ADDRESS in the database table,
       ADDR_TAB */
    MyAddress *addr1 = new(conn, "ADDR_TAB")
    MyAddress("CA", "94065");
    MyFullName name1("Joe", "Black");

    /* create a persistent object of type Person in the database table,
       PERSON_TAB */
    MyPerson *person1 = new(conn, "PERSON_TAB")
    MyPerson(1, &name1, addr1->getRef());

    /* commit the transaction which results in the newly created objects, addr,
       person1 being flushed to the server */
    conn->commit();

    Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement();

    ResultSet *resultSet
        = stmt->executeQuery("SELECT REF(Person) from person_tab where id = 1");

    ResultSetMetaData rsMetaData = resultSet->getMetaData();

    if (Types::POBJECT != rsMetaData.getColumnType(1))
        return -1;

    Ref<MyPerson> joe_ref = (Ref<MyPerson>) resultSet.getRef(1);

    joe_ref->displayInfo();

    /* create a persistent object of type ADDRESS, in the database table,
       ADDR_TAB */
    MyAddress *new_addr1 = new(conn, "ADDR_TAB") MyAddress("PA", "92140");
    joe_ref->move(new_addr1->getRef());
    joe_ref->displayInfo();

```

```
/* commit the transaction which results in the newly created object,  
   new_addr and the dirty object, joe to be flushed to the server. Note that  
   joe was marked dirty in move(). */  
conn->commit();  
  
/* The following delete statements delete the objects only from the  
   application cache. To delete the objects from server, mark_deleted()  
   should be used. */  
delete addr1;  
delete person1;  
delete new_addr1;  
  
conn->closeStatement(stmt);  
env->terminateConnection(conn);  
Environment::terminateEnvironment(env);  
return 0;  
}
```



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# Datatypes

This chapter is a reference for Oracle datatypes used by Oracle C++ Call Interface applications. This information will help you understand the conversions between internal and external representations of data that occur when you transfer data between your application and the database server.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Overview of Oracle Datatypes](#)
- [Internal Datatypes](#)
- [External Datatypes](#)
- [Data Conversions](#)

## Overview of Oracle Datatypes

Accurate communication between your C++ program and the Oracle database server is critical. OCCI applications can retrieve data from database tables by using SQL queries or they can modify existing data through the use of SQL `INSERT`, `UPDATE`, and `DELETE` functions. To facilitate communication between the host language C++ and the database server, you must be aware of how C++ datatypes are converted to Oracle datatypes and back again.

In the Oracle database, values are stored in columns in tables. Internally, Oracle represents data in particular formats called internal datatypes. `NUMBER`, `VARCHAR2`, and `DATE` are examples of Oracle internal datatypes.

OCCI applications work with host language datatypes, or external datatypes, predefined by the host language. When data is transferred between an OCCI application and the database server, the data from the database is converted from internal datatypes to external datatypes.

## OCCI Type and Data Conversion

OCCI defines an enumerator called `Type` that lists the possible data representation formats available in an OCCI application. These representation formats are called external datatypes. When data is sent to the database server from the OCCI application, the external datatype indicates to the database server what format to expect the data. When data is requested from the database server by the OCCI application, the external datatype indicates the format of the data to be returned.

For example, on retrieving a value from a `NUMBER` column, the program may be set to retrieve it in `OCCIINT` format (a signed integer format into an integer variable). Or, the client might be set to send data in `OCCIFLOAT` format (floating-point format) stored in a C++ float variable to be inserted in a column of `NUMBER` type.

An OCCI application binds input parameters to a `Statement`, by calling a `setxxx` method (the external datatype is implicitly specified by the method name), or by calling the `registerOutParam`, `setDataBuffer`, or `setDataBufferArray` method (the external datatype is explicitly specified in the method call). Similarly, when data values are fetched through a `ResultSet` object, the external representation of the retrieved data must be specified. This is done by calling a `getxxx` method (the external datatype is implicitly specified by the method name) or by calling the `setDataBuffer` method (the external datatype is explicitly specified in the method call).



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**Note:** There are more external datatypes than internal datatypes. In some cases, a single external datatype maps to a single internal datatype; in other cases, many external datatypes map to a single internal datatype. The many-to-one mapping provides you with added flexibility.

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**See Also:**

- [External Datatypes](#) on page 4-5

## Internal Datatypes

The internal (built-in) datatypes provided by Oracle are listed in this section.

[Table 4–1](#) lists the Oracle internal datatypes and maximum internal length of each:

**Table 4–1 Oracle Internal Datatypes**

Internal Datatype	Code	Maximum Internal Length
BFILE	114	4 gigabytes
CHAR, NCHAR	96	2000 bytes
DATE	12	7 bytes
INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND REF	183	11 bytes
INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH REF	182	5 bytes
LONG	8	2 gigabytes (2 <sup>31</sup> -1 bytes)
LONG RAW	24	2 gigabytes (2 <sup>31</sup> -1 bytes)
NUMBER	2	21 bytes
RAW	23	2000 bytes
REF	111	
REF BLOB	113	4 gigabytes
REF CLOB, REF NCLOB	112	4 gigabytes
ROWID	11	10 bytes
TIMESTAMP	180	11 bytes
TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE	231	7 bytes

**Table 4–1 Oracle Internal Datatypes (Cont.)**

Internal Datatype	Code	Maximum Internal Length
TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE	181	13 bytes
UROWID	208	4000 bytes
User-defined type (object type, VARRAY, nested table)	108	
VARCHAR2, NVARCHAR2	1	4000 bytes

**See Also:**

- *Oracle9i SQL Reference*
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts*

## Character Strings and Byte Arrays

You can use five Oracle internal datatypes to specify columns that contain either characters or arrays of bytes: CHAR, VARCHAR2, RAW, LONG, and LONG RAW.

CHAR, VARCHAR2, and LONG columns normally hold character data. RAW and LONG RAW hold bytes that are not interpreted as characters, for example, pixel values in a bitmapped graphics image. Character data can be transformed when passed through a gateway between networks. For example, character data passed between machines by using different languages (where single characters may be represented by differing numbers of bytes) can be significantly changed in length. Raw data is never converted in this way.

The database designer is responsible for choosing the appropriate Oracle internal datatype for each column in a table. You must be aware of the many possible ways that character and byte-array data can be represented and converted between variables in the OCCI program and Oracle database tables.

## Universal Rowid (UROWID)

The universal rowid (UROWID) is a datatype that can store both the logical and the physical rowid of rows in Oracle tables and in foreign tables, such as DB2 tables accessed through a gateway. Logical rowid values are primary key-based logical identifiers for the rows of index organized tables.

To use columns of the UROWID datatype, the value of the COMPATIBLE initialization parameter must be set to 8.1 or higher.

The following OCCI\_SQLT types can be bound to universal rowids:

- OCCI\_SQLT\_CHR (VARCHAR2)
- OCCI\_SQLT\_VCS (VARCHAR)
- OCCI\_SQLT\_STR (null terminated string)
- OCCI\_SQLT\_LVC (long VARCHAR)
- OCCI\_SQLT\_AFC (CHAR)
- OCCI\_SQLT\_AVC (CHARZ)
- OCCI\_SQLT\_VST (string)
- OCCI\_SQLT\_RDD (ROWID descriptor)

## External Datatypes

Communication between the host OCCI application and the Oracle database server is through the use of external datatypes. Specifically, external datatypes are mapped to C++ datatypes.

[Table 4–2](#) lists the Oracle external datatypes, the C++ equivalent (what the Oracle internal datatype is usually converted to), and the corresponding OCCI type:

**Table 4–2 External Datatypes, C++ Datatypes, and OCCI Types**

External Datatype	Code	C++ Datatype	OCCI Type
Binary FILE	114	LNOCILobLocator	OCCI_SQLT_FILE
Binary LOB	113	LNOCILobLocator	OCCI_SQLT_BLOB
CHAR	96	char[n]	OCCI_SQLT_AFC
Character LOB	112	LNOCILobLocator	OCCI_SQLT_CLOB
CHARZ	97	char[n+1]	OCCI_SQLT_RDD
DATE	12	char[7]	OCCI_SQLT_DAT
FLOAT	4	float, double	OCCIFLOAT
16 bit signed INTEGER	3	signed short, signed int	OCCIINT
32 bit signed INTEGER	3	signed int, signed long	OCCIINT
8 bit signed INTEGER	3	signed char	OCCIINT
INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND	190	char[11]	OCCI_SQLT_INTERVAL_DS

n Indicates variable length, depending on program requirements (or the operating system in the case of ROWID).

**Table 4–2 External Datatypes, C++ Datatypes, and OCCI Types (Cont.)**

External Datatype	Code	C++ Datatype	OCCI Type
INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH	189	char[5]	OCCI_SQLT_INTERVAL_YM
LONG	8	char[n]	OCCI_SQLT_LNG
LONG RAW	24	unsigned char[n]	OCCI_SQLT_LBI
LONG VARCHAR	94	char[n+sizeof(integer)]	OCCI_SQLT_LVC
LONG VARRAW	95	unsigned char[n+sizeof(integer)]	OCCI_SQLT_LVB
NAMED DATA TYPE	108	struct	OCCI_SQLT_NTY
NUMBER	2	unsigned char[21]	OCCI_SQLT_NUM
RAW	23	unsigned char[n]	OCCI_SQLT_BIN
REF	110	LNOCIRef	OCCI_SQLT_REF
ROWID	11	LNOCIRowid	OCCI_SQLT_RID
ROWID descriptor	104	LNOCIRowid	OCCI_SQLT_RDD
null-terminated STRING	5	char[n+1]	OCCI_SQLT_STR
TIMESTAMP	187	char[11]	OCCI_SQLT_TIMESTAMP
TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE	232	char[7]	OCCI_SQLT_TIMESTAMP_LTZ
TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE	188	char[13]	OCCI_SQLT_TIMESTAMP_TZ
UNSIGNED INT	68	unsigned	OCCIUNSIGNED_INT
VARCHAR	9	char[n+sizeof(short integer)]	OCCI_SQLT_VCS
VARCHAR2	1	char[n]	OCCI_SQLT_CHR
VARNUM	6	char[22]	OCCI_SQLT_VNU
VARRAW	15	unsigned char[n+sizeof(short integer)]	OCCI_SQLT_VBI

Most of the following external datatypes are represented as C++ classes in OCCI. Please refer to [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods"](#) for additional information.

OCCI BFILE	Bfile	OCCIBFILE
OCCI BLOB	Blob	OCCIBLOB
OCCI BOOL	bool	OCCIBOOL

n Indicates variable length, depending on program requirements (or the operating system in the case of ROWID).

**Table 4–2 External Datatypes, C++ Datatypes, and OCCI Types (Cont.)**

External Datatype	Code	C++ Datatype	OCCI Type
OCCI BYTES		Bytes	OCCIBYTES
OCCI ROWID		Bytes	OCCIROWID
OCCI CHAR		char	OCCICCHAR
OCCI CLOB		Clob	OCCICLOB
OCCI DATE		Date	OCCIDATE
OCCI DOUBLE		double	OCCIDOUBLE
OCCI FLOAT		float	OCCIFLOAT
OCCI INTERVALDS		IntervalDS	OCCIINTERVALDS
OCCI INTERVALYM		IntervalYM	OCCIINTERVALYM
OCCI INT		int	OCCIINT
OCCI METADATA		MetaData	OCCIMETADATA
OCCI NUMBER		Number	OCCINUMBER
OCCI REF		Ref	OCCIREF
OCCI REFANY		RefAny	OCCIREFANY
OCCI CURSOR		ResultSet	OCCICURSOR
OCCI STRING		STL string	OCCISTRING
OCCI VECTOR		STL vector	OCCIVECTOR
OCCI STREAM		Stream	OCCISTREAM
OCCI TIMESTAMP		Timestamp	OCCITIMESTAMP
OCCI UNSIGNED INT		unsigned int	OCCIUNSIGNED_INT
OCCI POBJECT		user defined types (generated by the Object Type Translator)	OCCIPOBJECT

n Indicates variable length, depending on program requirements (or the operating system in the case of ROWID).

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**Note:** The `TIMESTAMP` and `TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE` datatypes are collectively known as **datetimes**. The `INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH` and `INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND` are collectively known as **intervals**.

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Please note the usage of the types in the following methods of the `Statement` class:

- `registerOutParam`: Only types of the form `OCCIxxx` (for example, `OCCIDOUBLE`, `OCCICURSOR`, and so on) on the `occiCommon.h` file are permitted. However, there are some exceptions. `OCCIANYDATA`, `OCCIMETADATA`, `OCCISTREAM`, and `OCCIBOOL` are not permitted.
- `setDataBuffer()` and `setDataBufferArray`: Only types of the form `OCCI_SQLT_XXX` (for example, `OCCI_SQLT_INT`) in the `occiCommon.h` file are permitted.

Please note the usage of the types in the following methods of the `ResultSet` class:

- `setDataBuffer()` and `setDataBufferArray`: Only types of the form `OCCI_SQLT_XXX` (for example, `OCCI_SQLT_INT`) in the `occiCommon.h` file are permitted.

## Description of External Datatypes

This section provides a description for each of the external datatypes.

### BFILE

The external datatype `BFILE` allows read-only byte stream access to large files on the file system of the database server. A `BFILE` is a large binary data object stored in operating system files outside database tablespaces. These files use reference semantics. The Oracle server can access a `BFILE` provided the underlying server operating system supports stream-mode access to these operating system files.

### BLOB

The external datatype `BLOB` stores unstructured binary large objects. A `BLOB` can be thought of as a bitstream with no character set semantics. `BLOBs` can store up to 4 gigabytes of binary data.

`BLOB` datatypes have full transactional support. Changes made through `OCCI` participate fully in the transaction. `BLOB` value manipulations can be committed or rolled back. You cannot save a `BLOB` locator in a variable in one transaction and then use it in another transaction or session.

### CHAR

The external datatype `CHAR` is a string of characters, with a maximum length of 2000 characters. Character strings are compared by using blank-padded comparison semantics.

## CHARZ

The external datatype `CHARZ` is similar to the `CHAR` datatype, except that the string must be null terminated on input, and Oracle places a null terminator character at the end of the string on output. The null terminator serves only to delimit the string on input or output. It is not part of the data in the table.

## CLOB

The external datatype `CLOB` stores fixed-width or varying-width character data. A `CLOB` can store up to 4 gigabytes of character data. `CLOBs` have full transactional support. Changes made through `OC CI` participate fully in the transaction. `CLOB` value manipulations can be committed or rolled back. You cannot save a `CLOB` locator in a variable in one transaction and then use it in another transaction or session.

## DATE

The external datatype `DATE` can update, insert, or retrieve a date value using the Oracle internal date binary format, which contains seven bytes, as listed in [Table 4-3](#):

**Table 4-3** *Format of the DATE Datatype*

	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4	Byte 5	Byte 6	Byte 7
Meaning:	Century	Year	Month	Day	Hour	Minute	Second
Example (01-JUN-2000, 3:17PM):	120	100	6	1	16	18	1
Example (01-JAN-4712 BCE):	53	88	1	1	1	1	1

The century and year bytes (1 and 2) are in *excess-100 notation*. Dates BCE (Before Common Era) are less than 100. Dates in the Common Era, 0 and after, are greater than 100. For dates 0 and after, the first digit of both bytes 1 and 2 merely signifies that it is of the Common Era.

For byte 1, the second and third digits of the century are calculated as the year (an integer) divided by 100. With integer division, the fractional portion is discarded. The following calculation is for the year 1992:

$$1992 / 100 = 19$$

For byte 1, 119 represents the twentieth century, 1900 to 1999. A value of 120 would represent the twenty-first century, 2000 to 2099.

For byte 2, the second and third digits of the year are calculated as the year modulo 100. With a modulo division, the nonfractional portion is discarded:

$$1992 \% 100 = 92$$

For byte 2, 192 represents the ninety-second year of the current century. A value of 100 would represent the zeroth year of the current century.

The year 2000 would yield 120 for byte 1 and 100 for byte 2.

For years prior to 0 CE, centuries and years are represented by the difference between 100 and the number. So 01-JAN-4712 BCE is century 53 because  $100 - 47 = 53$ . The year is 88 because the  $100 - 12 = 88$ .

Valid dates begin at 01-JAN-4712 BCE. The month byte ranges from 1 to 31, the hour byte ranges from 1 to 24, and the second byte ranges from 1 to 60.

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**Note:** If no time is specified for a date, the time defaults to midnight: 1, 1, 1.

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When you enter a date in binary format by using the external datatype `DATE`, the database does not perform consistency or range checking. All data in this format must be validated before input.

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**Note:** There is little need for the external datatype `DATE`. It is more convenient to convert `DATE` values to a character format, because most programs deal with dates in a character format, such as `DD-MON-YYYY`. Instead, you may use the `Date` datatype.

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When a `DATE` column is converted to a character string in your program, it is returned in the default format mask for your session, or as specified in the `INIT.ORA` file.

Note that this datatype is different from `OCCI DATE` which corresponds to a `C++ Date` datatype.



## FLOAT

The external datatype `FLOAT` processes numbers with fractional parts. The number is represented in the host system's floating-point format. Normally, the length is 4 or 8 bytes.

The internal format of an Oracle number is decimal. Most floating-point implementations are binary. Oracle, therefore, represents numbers with greater precision than floating-point representations.

## INTEGER

The external datatype `INTEGER` is used for converting numbers. An external integer is a signed binary number. Its size is operating system-dependent. If the number being returned from Oracle is not an integer, then the fractional part is discarded, and no error is returned. If the number returned exceeds the capacity of a signed integer for the system, then Oracle returns an overflow on conversion error.

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**Note:** A rounding error may occur when converting between `FLOAT` and `NUMBER`. Using a `FLOAT` as a bind variable in a query may return an error. You can work around this by converting the `FLOAT` to a string and using the OCCI type `OCCI_SQLT_CHR` or the OCCI type `OCCI_SQLT_STR` for the operation.

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## INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND

The external datatype `INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND` stores the difference between two datetime values in terms of days, hours, minutes, and seconds. Specify this datatype as follows:

```
INTERVAL DAY [(day_precision)]  
  TO SECOND [(fractional_seconds_precision)]
```

This example uses the following placeholders:

- *day\_precision*: Number of digits in the `DAY` datetime field. Accepted values are 1 to 9. The default is 2.
- *fractional\_seconds\_precision*: Number of digits in the fractional part of the `SECOND` datetime field. Accepted values are 0 to 9. The default is 6.

To specify an `INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND` literal with nondefault day and second precisions, you must specify the precisions in the literal. For example, you might

specify an interval of 100 days, 10 hours, 20 minutes, 42 seconds, and 22 hundredths of a second as follows:

```
INTERVAL '100 10:20:42.22' DAY(3) TO SECOND(2)
```

You can also use abbreviated forms of the `INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND` literal. For example:

- `INTERVAL '90' MINUTE` maps to `INTERVAL '00 00:90:00.00' DAY TO SECOND(2)`
- `INTERVAL '30:30' HOUR TO MINUTE` maps to `INTERVAL '00 30:30:00.00' DAY TO SECOND(2)`
- `INTERVAL '30' SECOND(2,2)` maps to `INTERVAL '00 00:00:30.00' DAY TO SECOND(2)`

## INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH

The external datatype `INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH` stores the difference between two datetime values by using the `YEAR` and `MONTH` datetime fields. Specify `INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH` as follows:

```
INTERVAL YEAR [(year_precision)] TO MONTH
```

The placeholder *year\_precision* is the number of digits in the `YEAR` datetime field. The default value of *year\_precision* is 2. To specify an `INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH` literal with a nondefault *year\_precision*, you must specify the precision in the literal. For example, the following `INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH` literal indicates an interval of 123 years, 2 months:

```
INTERVAL '123-2' YEAR(3) TO MONTH
```

You can also use abbreviated forms of the `INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH` literal. For example,

- `INTERVAL '10' MONTH` maps to `INTERVAL '0-10' YEAR TO MONTH`
- `INTERVAL '123' YEAR(3)` maps to `INTERVAL '123-0' YEAR(3) TO MONTH`

## **LONG**

The external datatype `LONG` stores character strings longer than 4000 bytes and up to 2 gigabytes in a column of datatype `LONG`. Columns of this type are only used for storage and retrieval of long strings. They cannot be used in methods, expressions, or `WHERE` clauses. `LONG` column values are generally converted to and from character strings.

## **LONG RAW**

The external datatype `LONG RAW` is similar to the external datatype `RAW`, except that it stores up to 2 gigabytes.

## **LONG VARCHAR**

The external datatype `LONG VARCHAR` stores data from and into an Oracle `LONG` column. The first four bytes contain the length of the item. The maximum length of a `LONG VARCHAR` is 2 gigabytes.

## **LONG VARRAW**

The external datatype `LONG VARRAW` store data from and into an Oracle `LONG RAW` column. The length is contained in the first four bytes. The maximum length is 2 gigabytes.

## **NCLOB**

The external datatype `NCLOB` is a national character version of a `CLOB`. It stores fixed-width, multibyte national character set character (`NCHAR`), or varying-width character set data. An `NCLOB` can store up to 4 gigabytes of character text data.

`NCLOBs` have full transactional support. Changes made through `OCCI` participate fully in the transaction. `NCLOB` value manipulations can be committed or rolled back. You cannot save an `NCLOB` locator in a variable in one transaction and then use it in another transaction or session.

You cannot create an object with `NCLOB` attributes, but you can specify `NCLOB` parameters in methods.

## **NUMBER**

You should not need to use `NUMBER` as an external datatype. If you do use it, Oracle returns numeric values in its internal 21-byte binary format and will expect this format on input. The following discussion is included for completeness only.

Oracle stores values of the `NUMBER` datatype in a variable-length format. The first byte is the exponent and is followed by 1 to 20 mantissa bytes. The high-order bit of the exponent byte is the sign bit; it is set for positive numbers and it is cleared for negative numbers. The lower 7 bits represent the exponent, which is a base-100 digit with an offset of 65.

To calculate the decimal exponent, add 65 to the base-100 exponent and add another 128 if the number is positive. If the number is negative, you do the same, but subsequently the bits are inverted. For example, -5 has a base-100 exponent = 62 (0x3e). The decimal exponent is thus  $(\sim 0x3e) - 128 - 65 = 0xc1 - 128 - 65 = 193 - 128 - 65 = 0$ .

Each mantissa byte is a base-100 digit, in the range 1 to 100. For positive numbers, the digit has 1 added to it. So, the mantissa digit for the value 5 is 6. For negative numbers, instead of adding 1, the digit is subtracted from 101. So, the mantissa digit for the number -5 is 96 (101 - 5). Negative numbers have a byte containing 102 appended to the data bytes. However, negative numbers that have 20 mantissa bytes do not have the trailing 102 byte. Because the mantissa digits are stored in base-100, each byte can represent two decimal digits. The mantissa is normalized; leading zeroes are not stored.

Up to 20 data bytes can represent the mantissa. However, only 19 are guaranteed to be accurate. The 19 data bytes, each representing a base-100 digit, yield a maximum precision of 38 digits for an internal datatype `NUMBER`.

Note that this datatype is different from `OCCI NUMBER` which corresponds to a C++ `Number` datatype.

## OCCI BFILE

### See Also:

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", Bfile Class](#) on page 8-5

## OCCI BLOB

### See Also:

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", Blob Class](#) on page 8-12

## OCCI BYTES

### See Also:

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", Bytes Class](#) on page 8-23

## OCCI CLOB

### See Also:

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", Clob Class](#) on page 8-26

## OCCI DATE

### See Also:

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", Date Class](#) on page 8-49

## OCCI INTERVALDS

### See Also:

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", IntervalDS Class](#) on page 8-69

## OCCI INTERVALYM

### See Also:

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", IntervalYM Class](#) on page 8-81

## OCCI NUMBER

### See Also:

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", Number Class](#) on page 8-101

## OCCI POBJECT

**See Also:**

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", PObject Class](#) on page 8-126

## OCCI REF

**See Also:**

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", Ref Class](#) on page 8-132

## OCCI REFANY

**See Also:**

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", RefAny Class](#) on page 8-139

## OCCI STRING

The external datatype OCCI STRING corresponds to an STL string.

## OCCI TIMESTAMP

**See Also:**

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods", Timestamp Class](#) on page 8-214

## OCCI VECTOR

The external datatype OCCI VECTOR is used to represent collections, for example, a nested table or VARRAY. CREATE TYPE num\_type as VARRAY OF NUMBER(10) can be represented in a C++ application as `vector<int>`, `vector<Number>`, and so on.

## RAW

The external datatype RAW is used for binary data or byte strings that are not to be interpreted or processed by Oracle. RAW could be used, for example, for graphics character sequences. The maximum length of a RAW column is 2000 bytes.

When `RAW` data in an Oracle table is converted to a character string, the data is represented in hexadecimal code. Each byte of `RAW` data is represented as two characters that indicate the value of the byte, ranging from `00` to `FF`. If you input a character string by using `RAW`, then you must use hexadecimal coding.

## REF

The external datatype `REF` is a reference to a named datatype. To allocate a `REF` for use in an application, declare a variable as a pointer to a `REF`.

## ROWID

The external datatype `ROWID` identifies a particular row in a database table. The `ROWID` is often returned from a query by issuing a statement similar to the following example:

```
SELECT ROWID, var1, var2 FROM db
```

You can then use the returned `ROWID` in further `DELETE` statements.

If you are performing a `SELECT` for an `UPDATE` operation, then the `ROWID` is implicitly returned.

## STRING

The external datatype `STRING` behaves like the external datatype `VARCHAR2` (datatype code 1), except that the external datatype `STRING` must be null-terminated.

Note that this datatype is different from `OCCT` `STRING` which corresponds to a C++ STL string datatype.

## TIMESTAMP

The external datatype `TIMESTAMP` is an extension of the `DATE` datatype. It stores the year, month, and day of the `DATE` datatype, plus hour, minute, and second values. Specify the `TIMESTAMP` datatype as follows:

```
TIMESTAMP [(fractional_seconds_precision)]
```

The placeholder *fractional\_seconds\_precision* optionally specifies the number of digits in the fractional part of the `SECOND` datetime field and can be a number in the range 0 to 9. The default is 6. For example, you specify `TIMESTAMP(2)` as a literal as follows:

```
TIMESTAMP '1997-01-31 09:26:50.10'
```

Note that this datatype is different from `OCCI TIMESTAMP`.

### **TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE**

The external datatype `TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE (TSTZ)` is a variant of `TIMESTAMP` that includes an explicit time zone displacement in its value. The time zone displacement is the difference (in hours and minutes) between local time and UTC (Coordinated Universal Time—formerly Greenwich Mean Time). Specify the `TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE` datatype as follows:

```
TIMESTAMP(fractional_seconds_precision) WITH TIME ZONE
```

The placeholder *fractional\_seconds\_precision* optionally specifies the number of digits in the fractional part of the `SECOND` datetime field and can be a number in the range 0 to 9. The default is 6.

Two `TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE` values are considered identical if they represent the same instant in UTC, regardless of the `TIME ZONE` offsets stored in the data.

### **TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE**

The external datatype `TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE` is a variant of `TIMESTAMP` that includes a time zone displacement in its value. The time zone displacement is the difference (in hours and minutes) between local time and UTC (Coordinated Universal Time—formerly Greenwich Mean Time). Specify the `TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE` datatype as follows:

```
TIMESTAMP [(fractional_seconds_precision)] WITH TIME ZONE
```

The placeholder *fractional\_seconds\_precision* optionally specifies the number of digits in the fractional part of the `SECOND` datetime field and can be a number in the range 0 to 9. The default is 6. For example, you might specify `TIMESTAMP(0) WITH TIME ZONE` as a literal as follows:

```
TIMESTAMP '1997-01-31 09:26:50+02.00'
```

### **UNSIGNED INT**

The external datatype `UNSIGNED INT` is used for unsigned binary integers. The size in bytes is operating system dependent. The host system architecture determines the order of the bytes in a word. If the number being output from Oracle



is not an integer, the fractional part is discarded, and no error is returned. If the number to be returned exceeds the capacity of an unsigned integer for the operating system, Oracle returns an overflow on conversion error.

## VARCHAR

The external datatype `VARCHAR` store character strings of varying length. The first two bytes contain the length of the character string, and the remaining bytes contain the actual string. The specified length of the string in a bind or a define call must include the two length bytes, meaning the largest `VARCHAR` string is 65533 bytes long, not 65535. For converting longer strings, use the `LONG VARCHAR` external datatype.

## VARCHAR2

The external datatype `VARCHAR2` is a variable-length string of characters up to 4000 bytes.

## VARNUM

The external datatype `VARNUM` is similar to the external datatype `NUMBER`, except that the first byte contains the length of the number representation. This length value does not include the length byte itself. Reserve 22 bytes to receive the longest possible `VARNUM`. You must set the length byte when you send a `VARNUM` value to the database.

**Table 4–4** *VARNUM Examples*

Decimal Value	Length Byte	Exponent Byte	Mantissa Bytes	Terminator Byte
0	1	128	N/A	N/A
5	2	193	6	N/A
-5	3	62	96	102
2767	3	194	28, 68	N/A
-2767	4	61	74, 34	102
100000	2	195	11	N/A
1234567	5	196	2, 24, 46, 68	N/A

## VARRAW

The external datatype `VARRAW` is similar to the external datatype `RAW`, except that the first two bytes contain the length of the data. The specified length of the string in a `bind` or a `define` call must include the two length bytes. So the largest `VARRAW` string that can be received or sent is 65533 bytes, not 65535. For converting longer strings, use the `LONG VARRAW` datatype.

## Data Conversions

[Table 4–5](#) lists the supported conversions from Oracle internal datatypes to external datatypes, and from external datatypes to internal column representations. Note the following conditions:

- A `REF` stored in the database is converted to `OCCI_SQLT_REF` on output
- `OCCI_SQLT_REF` is converted to the internal representation of a `REF` on input
- A named datatype stored in the database is converted to `OCCI_SQLT_NTY` (and represented by a C structure in the application) on output
- `OCCI_SQLT_NTY` (represented by a C structure in an application) is converted to the internal representation of the corresponding datatype on input
- A `LOB` and a `BFILE` are represented by descriptors in OCCI applications, so there are no input or output conversions

**Table 4–5 Data Conversions**

		Internal Datatypes							
		1	2	8	11	12	23	24	96
External Datatypes		VARCHAR2	NUMBER	LONG	ROWID	DATE	RAW	LONG RAW	CHAR
1	VARCHAR	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>1</sup>	I/O <sup>2</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	
2	NUMBER	I/O <sup>4</sup>	I/O	I					I/O <sup>4</sup>
3	INTEGER	I/O <sup>4</sup>	I/O	I					I/O <sup>4</sup>
4	FLOAT	I/O <sup>4</sup>	I/O	I					I/O <sup>4</sup>
5	STRING	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>1</sup>	I/O <sup>2</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	I/O <sup>3,5</sup>	I/O
6	VARNUM	I/O <sup>4</sup>	I/O	I					I/O <sup>4</sup>
7	DECIMAL	I/O <sup>4</sup>	I/O	I					I/O <sup>4</sup>
8	LONG	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>1</sup>	I/O <sup>2</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	I/O <sup>3,5</sup>	I/O
9	VARCHAR	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>1</sup>	I/O <sup>2</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	I/O <sup>3,5</sup>	I/O
10	ROWID	I		I	I/O				I
12	DATE	I/O		I		I/O			I/O
15	VARRAW	I/O <sup>6</sup>		I <sup>5,6</sup>			I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>6</sup>
23	RAW	I/O <sup>6</sup>		I <sup>5,6</sup>			I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>6</sup>
24	LONG RAW	O <sup>6</sup>		I <sup>5,6</sup>			I/O	I/O	O <sup>6</sup>
68	UNSIGNED	I/O <sup>4</sup>	I/O	I					I/O <sup>4</sup>
94	LONG VARCHAR	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>1</sup>	I/O <sup>2</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	I/O <sup>3,5</sup>	I/O
95	LONG VARRAW	I/O <sup>6</sup>		I <sup>5,6</sup>			I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>6</sup>
96	CHAR	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>1</sup>	I/O <sup>2</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	I <sup>3,5</sup>	I/O
97	CHARZ	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>1</sup>	I/O <sup>2</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	I <sup>3,5</sup>	I/O

**Conversion valid for...**

I = Input only.

O = Output only.

I/O = Input or Output.

**Notes:**

1. For input, host string must be in Oracle ROWID format. On output, column value is returned in Oracle ROWID format.

2. For input, host string must be in the Oracle DATE character format. On output, column value is returned in Oracle DATE format.

3. For input, host string must be in hexadecimal format. On output, column value is returned in hexadecimal format.

4. For output, column value must represent a valid number.

5. Length must be less than or equal to 2000 characters.

6. On input, column value is stored in hexadecimal format. On output, column value must be in hexadecimal format.

**Table 4–5 Data Conversions (Cont.)**

External Datatypes	Internal Datatypes							
	1	2	8	11	12	23	24	96
	VARCHAR2	NUMBER	LONG	ROWID	DATE	RAW	LONG RAW	CHAR
104 ROWID Desc.	I(1)			I/O				I(1)
OCCI Number	I/O <sup>4</sup>	I/O	I					I/O <sup>4</sup>
OCCI Bytes	I/O <sup>6</sup>		I <sup>5,6</sup>			I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>6</sup>
OCCI Date	I/O		I		I/O			I/O
OCCI Timestamp								
STL string	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O <sup>1</sup>	I/O <sup>2</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	I/O <sup>3</sup>	

**Conversion valid for...**

I = Input only.

O = Output only.

I/O = Input or Output.

**Notes:**

1. For input, host string must be in Oracle ROWID format. On output, column value is returned in Oracle ROWID format.
2. For input, host string must be in the Oracle DATE character format. On output, column value is returned in Oracle DATE format.
3. For input, host string must be in hexadecimal format. On output, column value is returned in hexadecimal format.
4. For output, column value must represent a valid number.
5. Length must be less than or equal to 2000 characters.
6. On input, column value is stored in hexadecimal format. On output, column value must be in hexadecimal format.

## Data Conversions for LOB Datatypes

**Table 4–6 Data Conversions for LOBs**

EXTERNAL DATATYPES	INTERNAL DATATYPES	
	CLOB	BLOB
VARCHAR	I/O	
CHAR	I/O	
LONG	I/O	
LONG VARCHAR	I/O	
STL STRING	I/O	
RAW		I/O
VARRAW		I/O

**Table 4–6 Data Conversions for LOBs**

INTERNAL DATATYPES		
EXTERNAL DATATYPES	CLOB	BLOB
LONG RAW		I/O
LONG VARRAW		I/O
OCCI BYTES		I/O

## Data Conversions for Date, Timestamp, and Interval Datatypes

You can also use one of the character data types for the host variable used in a fetch or insert operation from or to a datetime or interval column. Oracle will do the conversion between the character data type and datetime/interval data type for you.

### Data Conversions for Date, Timestamp, and Interval Datatypes

External Types	Internal Types						
	VARCHAR,CHAR	DATE	TS	TSTZ	TSLTZ	INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH	INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND
VARCHAR2, CHAR	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O
STL STRING	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O
DATE	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	-	-
OCCI DATE	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	-	-
ANSI DATE	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	-	-
TIMESTAMP (TS)	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	-	-
OCCI TIMESTAMP	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	-	-
TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE (TSTZ)	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	-	-
TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE (TSLTZ)	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	I/O	-	-
INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH	I/O	-	-	-	-	I/O	-

## Data Conversions for Date, Timestamp, and Interval Datatypes (Cont.)

External Types	Internal Types						
	VARCHAR, CHAR	DATE	TS	TSTZ	TSLTZ	INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH	INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND
OCCI INTERVALYM	I/O	-	-	-	-	I/O	-
INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND	I/O	-	-	-	-	-	I/O
OCCI INTERVALDS	I/O	-	-	-	-	-	I/O

**Note:** When assigning a source with time zone to a target without a time zone, the time zone portion of the source is ignored. On assigning a source without a time zone to a target with a time zone, the time zone of the target is set to the session's default time zone

(0) When assigning an Oracle DATE to a TIMESTAMP, the TIME portion of the DATE is copied over to the TIMESTAMP. When assigning a TIMESTAMP to Oracle DATE, the TIME portion of the result DATE is set to zero. This is done to encourage migration of Oracle DATE to ANSI compliant DATETIME data types

(1) When assigning an ANSI DATE to an Oracle DATE or a TIMESTAMP, the TIME portion of the Oracle DATE and the TIMESTAMP are set to zero. When assigning an Oracle DATE or a TIMESTAMP to an ANSI DATE, the TIME portion is ignored

(2) When assigning a DATETIME to a character string, the DATETIME is converted using the session's default DATETIME format. When assigning a character string to a DATETIME, the string must contain a valid DATETIME value based on the session's default DATETIME format

(3) When assigning a character string to an INTERVAL, the character string must be a valid INTERVAL character format.

1. When converting from TSLTZ to CHAR, DATE, TIMESTAMP and TSTZ, the value will be adjusted to the session time zone.
2. When converting from CHAR, DATE, and TIMESTAMP to TSLTZ, the session time zone will be stored in memory.
3. When assigning TSLTZ to ANSI DATE, the time portion will be zero.
4. When converting from TSTZ, the time zone which the time stamp is in will be stored in memory.
5. When assigning a character string to an interval, the character string must be a valid interval character format.

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## Introduction to LOBs

The following topics are covered in this chapter:

- [Overview of LOBs](#)
- [LOB Classes and Methods](#)
- [Objects with LOB Attributes](#)

## Overview of LOBs

Oracle C++ Call Interface (OCCI) includes classes and methods for performing operations on large objects (LOBs). LOBs are either internal or external depending on their location with respect to the database.

### Internal LOBs (BLOBs, CLOBs, and NCLOBs)

Internal LOBs are stored inside database tablespaces in a way that optimizes space and enables efficient access. Internal LOBs use copy semantics and participate in the transactional model of the server. You can recover internal LOBs in the event of transaction or media failure, and any changes to an internal LOB value can be committed or rolled back. In other words, all the ACID<sup>1</sup> properties that pertain to using database objects also pertain to using internal LOBs.

#### Internal LOB Datatypes

There are three SQL datatypes for defining instances of internal LOBs:

- BLOB: A LOB whose value is composed of unstructured binary (raw) data
- CLOB: A LOB whose value is composed of character data that corresponds to the database character set defined for the Oracle database
- NCLOB: A LOB whose value is composed of character data that corresponds to the national character set defined for the Oracle database

#### Copy Semantics

Internal LOBs, whether persistent or temporary, use copy semantics. When you insert or update a LOB with a LOB from another row in the same table, the LOB value is copied so that each row has a copy of the LOB value.

The use of copy semantics results in both the LOB locator and the LOB value being copied, not just the LOB locator.

Internal LOBs are divided into persistent LOBs and temporary LOBs.

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<sup>1</sup> ACID = Access Control Information Directory. This is the attribute that determines who has what type of access and to what directory data. It contains a set of rules for structural and content access items. For more information, refer to the Oracle Internet Directory Administrator's Guide.



## External LOBs (BFILEs)

External LOBs (BFILEs) are large binary data objects stored in operating system files outside database tablespaces. These files use reference semantics. Apart from conventional secondary storage devices such as hard disks, BFILEs may also be located on tertiary block storage devices such as CD-ROMs, PhotoCDs and DVDs.

The BFILE datatype allows read-only byte stream access to large files on the file system of the database server.

Oracle can access BFILEs if the underlying server operating system supports stream mode access to these operating system files.

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**Note:**

- External LOBs do not participate in transactions. Any support for integrity and durability must be provided by the underlying file system as governed by the operating system.
  - A single external LOB must reside on a single device. It may not, for instance, be striped across a disk array.
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### External LOB Datatypes

There is one SQL datatype for declaring instances of external LOBs, called a BFILE. A BFILE is a LOB whose value is composed of binary (raw) data and is stored outside the database tablespaces in a server-side operating system file.

### Reference Semantics

External LOBs (BFILEs) use reference semantics. When a BFILE associated with a column of a row in a table is copied to another column, only the BFILE locator is copied, not the actual operating system file that houses the BFILE.

## LOB Values and Locators

The size of the LOB value, among other things, dictates where it is stored. The LOB value is either stored inline with the row data or outside the row.

A LOB locator is stored inline with the row data and indicates where the LOB value is stored.

### Inline Storage of the LOB Value

Data stored in a LOB is termed the LOB value. The value of an internal LOB may or may not be stored inline with the other row data. If you do not set `DISABLE STORAGE IN ROW`, and if the internal LOB value is less than approximately 4,000 bytes, then the value is stored inline. Otherwise, it is stored outside the row. Since LOBs are intended to be large objects, inline storage will only be relevant if your application mixes small and large LOBs.

The LOB value is automatically moved out of the row once it extends beyond approximately 4,000 bytes.

### LOB Locators

Regardless of where the value of the internal LOB is stored, a LOB locator is stored in the row. You can think of a LOB locator as a pointer to the actual location of the LOB value. A LOB locator is a locator to an internal LOB while a BFILE locator is a locator to an external LOB.

- **Internal LOB Locators:** For internal LOBs, the LOB column stores a locator to the LOB value stored in a database tablespace. Each internal LOB column and attribute for a given row has its own unique LOB locator and a distinct copy of the LOB value stored in the database tablespace.
- **External LOB Locators:** For external LOBs (BFILES), the LOB column stores a locator to the external operating system file that houses the BFILE. Each external LOB column and attribute for a given row has its own BFILE locator. However, two different rows can contain a BFILE locator that points to the same operating system file.

## LOB Classes and Methods

The classes and methods in [Table 5-1](#) are available for LOB operations.

**Table 5–1 OCCI LOB Classes and Methods**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<a href="#">Bfile Class</a> on page 8-5	<code>close()</code> <code>closeStream()</code> <code>fileExists()</code> <code>getDirAlias()</code> <code>getFileName()</code> <code>getStream()</code> <code>isInitialized()</code> <code>isNull()</code> <code>isOpen()</code> <code>length()</code> <code>open()</code> <code>operator=()</code> <code>operator==(())</code> <code>operator!=(())</code> <code>read()</code> <code>setName()</code> <code>setNull()</code>	To access data in external LOBs (BFILES)

**Table 5–1 OCI LOB Classes and Methods (Cont.)**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<code>Blob Class</code> on page 8-12	<code>append()</code> <code>close()</code> <code>closeStream()</code> <code>copy()</code> <code>getChunkSize()</code> <code>getStream()</code> <code>isInitialized()</code> <code>isNull()</code> <code>isOpen()</code> <code>length()</code> <code>open()</code> <code>operator=()</code> <code>operator==( )</code> <code>operator!= ( )</code> <code>read()</code> <code>setEmpty()</code> <code>setNull()</code> <code>trim()</code> <code>write()</code> <code>writeChunk()</code>	To manipulate internal LOB (BLOB) values and locators

**Table 5-1 OCCI LOB Classes and Methods (Cont.)**

Class	Method	Purpose
Clob Class on page 8-26	<code>append()</code>	To manipulate internal LOB (CLOB and NCLOB) values and locators
	<code>close()</code>	
	<code>closeStream()</code>	
	<code>copy()</code>	
	<code>getCharSetForm()</code>	
	<code>getCharSetId()</code>	
	<code>getChunkSize()</code>	
	<code>getStream()</code>	
	<code>isInitialized()</code>	
	<code>isNull()</code>	
	<code>isOpen()</code>	
	<code>length()</code>	
	<code>open()</code>	
	<code>operator=()</code>	
	<code>operator==(())</code>	
	<code>operator!=(())</code>	
	<code>read()</code>	
	<code>setCharSetForm()</code>	
	<code>setNull()</code>	
	<code>trim()</code>	
<code>write()</code>		
<code>writeChunk()</code>		

**See Also:** [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods"](#) for detailed information about each class and method.

## Creating LOBs

To create an internal or external LOB, initialize a new LOB locator in the database. Based on the type of LOB you want to create, use one of the following classes:

- `Bfile`

- Blob
- Clob

You can then use the related methods, as appropriate, to access the LOB value.

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**Note:** Whenever you want to modify an internal LOB column or attribute (write, copy, trim, and so forth), you must lock the row containing the LOB. One way to do this is to use a `SELECT . . . FOR UPDATE` statement to select the locator before performing the operation.

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For any LOB write command to be successful, a transaction must be open. This means that if you commit a transaction before writing the data, then you must lock the row again (by reissuing the `SELECT . . . FOR UPDATE` statement, for example), because the `COMMIT` closes the transaction.

## Opening and Closing LOBs

OCCI provides methods to explicitly open and close internal and external LOBs:

- `Bfile::open()` and `Bfile::close()`
- `Blob::open()` and `Blob::close()`
- `Clob::open()` and `Clob::close()`

Additional methods are available to check whether a particular LOB is already open:

- `Bfile::isOpen()`
- `Blob::isOpen()`
- `Clob::isOpen()`

These methods allow an OCCI application to mark the beginning and end of a series of LOB operations so that specific processing (for example, updating indexes, and so on) can be performed when a LOB is closed.

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**Note:** For internal LOBs, the concept of openness is associated with a LOB and not the LOB locator. The LOB locator does not store any information about whether the LOB to which it refers is open. It is possible for more than one LOB locator to point to the same open LOB. However, for external LOBs, openness is associated with a specific external LOB locator. Hence, more than one open can be performed on the same BFILE using different external LOB locators.

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**Note:** If LOB operations are not wrapped inside `open()` and `close()` method calls, any extensible indexes on the LOB are updated as LOB modifications are made, and thus are always valid and may be used at any time. If the LOB is modified between a set of `open()` and `close()` method calls, triggers are not fired for individual LOB modifications. Triggers are only fired after the `close()` method call, so indexes are not updated then, and thus are not valid in between the `open()` and `close()` method calls.

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If an application does not wrap LOB operations between a set of `open()` and `close()` method calls, then each modification to the LOB implicitly opens and closes the LOB, thereby firing any triggers associated with changes to the LOB.

### Restrictions for Opening and Closing LOBs

The LOB opening and closing mechanism has the following restrictions:

- An application must close all previously opened LOBs before committing a transaction. Failing to do so results in an error. If a transaction is rolled back, then all open LOBs are discarded along with the changes made (the LOBs are not closed), so associated triggers are not fired.
- While there is no limit to the number of open internal LOBs, there is a limit on the number of open files. Note that assigning an already opened locator to another locator does not count as opening a new LOB.
- It is an error to open or close the same internal LOB twice within the same transaction, either with different locators or with the same locator.
- It is an error to close a LOB that has not been opened.

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**Note:** The definition of a transaction within which an open LOB value must be closed is one of the following:

- Between `SET TRANSACTION` and `COMMIT`
  - Between `DATA MODIFYING DML` or `SELECT ... FOR UPDATE` and `COMMIT`
  - Within an autonomous transaction block
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A LOB opened when there is no transaction must be closed before the end of session. If there are LOBs open at the end of session, then the openness is discarded and no triggers of extensible indexes are fired.

## Reading and Writing LOBs

OCCI provides methods for reading and writing LOBs. For nonstreamed reads and writes, the following methods are used:

- `Bfile::read()`
- `Blob::read()` and `Blob::write()`
- `Clob::read()` and `Clob::write()`

For streamed reads and writes, the following methods are used:

- `Bfile::getStream()`
- `Blob::getChunkSize()`, `Blob::getStream()`, and `Blob::writeChunk()`
- `Clob::getChunkSize()`, `Clob::getStream()`, and `Clob::writeChunk()`

The remainder of this section provides code examples for streamed and unstreamed reads and writes.

### Nonstreamed Read

The following code example demonstrates how to obtain data from an internal LOB (in this example, a BLOB) that is not null by using a nonstreamed read:

```
ResultSet *rset=stmt->executeQuery("SELECT ad_composite FROM print_media  
                                WHERE product_id=6666");  
while(rset->next())
```



```

{
    Blob blob=rset->getBlob(1);
    if(blob.isNull())
        cerr <<"Null Blob"<<endl;
    else
    {
        blob.open(OCCI_LOB_READONLY);

        const unsigned int BUFSIZE=100;
        char buffer[BUFSIZE];
        unsigned int readAmt=BUFSIZE;
        unsigned int offset=1;

        //reading readAmt bytes from offset 1
        blob.read(readAmt,buffer,BUFSIZE,offset);

        //process information in buffer
        .
        .
        .
        blob.close();
    }
}
stmt->closeResultSet(rset);

```

Reading all information from a BLOB without using streams, as in the preceding code example, requires that you keep track of the read offset and the amount remaining to be read, and pass these values to the `read()` method.

The following code example demonstrates how to read data from a BFILE, where the BFILE locator is not null, by using a nonstreamed read:

```

ResultSet *rset=stmt->executeQuery("SELECT ad_graphic FROM print_media
                                   WHERE product_id=6666");

while(rset->next())
{
    Bfile file=rset->getBfile(1);
    if(bfile.isNull())
        cerr <<"Null Bfile"<<endl;
    else
    {
        //display the directory alias and the file name of the BFILE
        cout <<"File Name:"<<bfile.getFileName()<<endl;
        cout <<"Directory Alias:"<<bfile.getDirAlias()<<endl;
    }
}

```

```
if(bfile.fileExists())
{
    unsigned int length=bfile.length();
    char *buffer=new char[length];
    bfile.read(length, buffer, length, 1);
    //read all the contents of the BFILE into buffer, then process
    .
    .
    .
    delete[] buffer;
}
else
    cerr <<"File does not exist"<<endl;
}
}
stmt->closeResultSet(rset);
```

### Nonstreamed Write

The following code example demonstrates how to write data to an internal LOB (in this example, a BLOB) that is not null by using a nonstreamed write:

```
ResultSet *rset=stmt->executeQuery("SELECT ad_composite FROM print_media
                                   WHERE product_id=6666 FOR UPDATE");
while(rset->next())
{
    Blob blob=rset->getBlob(1);
    if(blob.isNull())
        cerr <<"Null Blob"<<endl;
    else
    {
        blob.open(OCCI_LOB_READWRITE);

        const unsigned int BUFSIZE=100;
        char buffer[BUFSIZE];
        unsigned int writeAmt=BUFSIZE;
        unsigned int offset=1;

        //writing writeAmt bytes from offset 1
        //contents of buffer are replaced after each writeChunk(),
        //typically with an fread()
        while(<fread "BUFSIZE" bytes into buffer succeeds>)
        {
            blob.writeChunk(writeAmt, buffer, BUFSIZE, offset);
            offset += writeAmt;
        }
    }
}
```

```

    }
    blob.writeChunk(<remaining amt>, buffer, BUFSIZE, offset);

    blob.close();
}
}
stmt->closeResultSet(rset);
conn->commit();

```

In the preceding code example, the `writeChunk()` method is enclosed by the `open()` and `close()` methods. The `writeChunk()` method operates on a LOB that is currently open and ensures that triggers do not fire for every chunk read. The `write()` method can be used in place of the `writeChunk()` method in the preceding example; however, the `write()` method implicitly opens and closes the LOB.

### Streamed Read

The following code example demonstrates how to obtain data from an internal LOB (in this example, a BLOB) that is already populated by using a streamed read:

```

ResultSet *rset=stmt->executeQuery("SELECT ad_composite FROM print_media
                                   WHERE product_id=6666");
while(rset->next())
{
    Blob blob=rset->getBlob(1);
    if(blob.isNull())
        cerr <<"Null Blob"<<endl;
    else
    {
        Stream *instream=blob.getStream(1,0);
        //reading from offset 1 to the end of the BLOB

        unsigned int size=blob.getChunkSize();
        char *buffer=new char[size];

        while((unsigned int length=instream->readBuffer(buffer,size))!=-1)
        {
            //process "length" bytes read into buffer
            .
            .
            .
        }
        delete[] buffer;
    }
}

```

```
        blob.closeStream(instream);
    }
}
stmt->closeResultSet(rset);
```

### Streamed Write

The following code example demonstrates how to write data to an internal LOB (in this example, a BLOB) that is already populated by using a streamed write:

```
ResultSet *rset=stmt->executeQuery("SELECT ad_composite FROM print_media
                                   WHERE product_id=6666 FOR UPDATE");

while(rset->next())
{
    Blob blob=rset->getBlob(1);
    if(blob.isNull())
        cerr <<"Null Blob"<<endl;
    else
    {
        char buffer[BUFSIZE];
        Stream *ostream=blob.getOutputStream(1,0);

        //writing from buffer beginning at offset 1 until
        //a writeLastBuffer() method is issued.
        //contents of buffer are replaced after each writeBuffer(),
        //typically with an fread()
        while(<fread "BUFSIZE" bytes into buffer succeeds>)
            ostream->writeBuffer(buffer,BUFSIZE);
        ostream->writeLastBuffer(buffer,<remaining amt>);
        blob.closeStream(ostream);
    }
}
stmt->closeResultSet(rset);
conn->commit();
```

### Improving Read and Write Performance

Read and write performance of internal LOBs can be improved by using either of the following methods:

- `getChunkSize()` method
- `writeChunk()` method

### When to Use the `getChunkSize()` Method

Take advantage of the `getChunkSize()` methods of the `Blob` and `Clob` classes to improve the performance of internal LOB read and write operations. The `getChunkSize()` method returns the usable chunk size in bytes for BLOBs and in characters for CLOBs and NCLOBs. When a read or write is done by using data whose size is a multiple of the usable chunk size and starts on a chunk boundary, performance improves. You can specify the chunk size for a LOB column when you create a table that contains the LOB.

Calling the `getChunkSize()` method returns the usable chunk size of the LOB. An application can batch a series of write operations until an entire chunk can be written, rather than issuing multiple LOB write calls that operate on the same chunk.

To read through the end of a LOB, use the `read()` method with an amount of 4 GB. This avoids the round-trip involved with first calling the `getLength()` method because the `read()` method with an amount of 4 GB reads until the end of the LOB is reached.

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**Note:** For LOBs which store varying width characters, the `GetChunkSize()` method returns the number of Unicode characters that fit in a LOB chunk.

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### When to Use the `writeChunk()` Method

OCCI provides a shortcut to make it more efficient to write data to the end of a LOB. The `writeAppend()` methods of the `Blob` and `Clob` classes enables an application to append data to the end of a LOB without first requiring a call to the `getLength()` method to determine the starting point for a call to the `write()` method.

## Updating LOBs

The following code example demonstrates how to update an internal LOB (in this example, a CLOB) to empty:

```
Clob clob(conn);
clob.setEmpty();
stmt->setSQL("UPDATE print_media SET ad_composite = :1
            WHERE product_id=6666");
stmt->setClob(1, clob);
stmt->executeUpdate();
```

```
conn->commit();
```

The following code example demonstrates how to update a BFILE:

```
Bfile bfile(conn);
bfile.setName("MEDIA_DIR", "img1.jpg");
stmt->setSQL("UPDATE print_media SET ad_graphic = :1
            WHERE product_id=6666");
stmt->setBfile(1, bfile);
stmt->executeUpdate();
conn->commit();
```

## Objects with LOB Attributes

An OCCI application can use the overloaded operator `new()` to create a persistent or transient object with a LOB attribute. By default, all LOB attributes are constructed by using the default constructor and initialized to null.

### Persistent Objects with LOB Attributes

It is possible to use OCCI to create a new persistent object with a LOB attribute. To do so, follow these steps:

1. Create a persistent object with a LOB attribute.

```
Person *p=new(conn, "PERSON_TAB")Person();
```

2. Initialize the Blob object to empty.

```
p->imgBlob = Blob(conn);
p->imgBlob.setEmpty();
```

If appropriate, then use the corresponding methods (`set_xxx` methods and `get_xxx` methods) on the `Person` object to accomplish the same thing.

3. Mark the Blob object as dirty.

```
p->markModified();
```

4. Flush the object.

```
p->flush();
```

5. Repin the object after obtaining a REF to it, thereby retrieving a refreshed version of the object from the database and acquiring an initialized LOB.

```
Ref<Person> r = p->getRef();
delete p;
p = r.ptr();
```

6. Write the data.

```
p->imgBlob.write( ... );
```

To create a persistent object with BFILE attributes, follow these steps:

1. Create a persistent object with a LOB attribute.

```
Person *p=new(conn, "PERSON_TAB")Person();
```

2. Initialize the Bfile object to empty.

```
p->imgBfile = Bfile(conn);
p->setName(<Directory Alias>, <File Name>);
```

3. Mark the object as dirty.

```
p->markModified();
```

4. Flush the object.

```
p->flush();
```

5. Read the data.

```
p->imgBfile.read( ... );
```

## Transient Objects with LOB Attributes

An application can call the overloaded `new()` method and create a transient object with an internal LOB (BLOB, CLOB, NCLOB) attribute. However, you cannot perform any operations (for example, read or write) on the LOB attribute because transient LOBs are not currently supported. Calling the overloaded `new()` method to create a transient internal LOB type does not fail, but the application cannot use any LOB operations with the transient LOB.

An application can, however, create a transient object with a FILE attribute and use the FILE attribute to read data from the file stored in the server's file system. The

application can also call the overloaded `new()` method to create a transient FILE and use that FILE to read from the server's file.



This chapter describes how to retrieve metadata about result sets or the database as a whole.

It includes the following topics:

- [Overview of Metadata](#)
- [Describing Database Metadata](#)
- [Attribute Reference](#)

## Overview of Metadata

Database objects have various attributes that describe them, and you obtain information about a particular schema object by performing a `DESCRIBE` operation for the object. The result can be accessed as an object of the `Metadata` class in that you can use class methods to get the actual values of an object. You accomplish this by passing object attributes as arguments to the various methods of the `Metadata` class.

You can perform an explicit `DESCRIBE` operation on the database as a whole, on the types and properties of the columns contained in a `ResultSet` class or on any of the following schema and subschema objects:

- Tables
- Views
- Procedures
- Functions
- Packages
- Types
- Type Attributes
- Type Methods
- Collections
- Synonyms
- Sequences
- Columns
- Argument
- Results
- Lists

You must specify the type of the attribute you are looking for. By using the `getAttributeCount`, `getAttributeId`, and `getAttributeType` methods of the `Metadata` class, you can scan through each available attribute.

All `DESCRIBE` information is cached until the last reference to it is deleted. Users are in this way prevented from accidentally trying to access `DESCRIBE` information that is already freed.

You obtain metadata by calling the `getMetaData` method on the `Connection` class in case of an explicit `describe`, or by calling the `getColumnListMetaData` method on the `ResultSet` class to get the metadata of the result set columns. Both methods return a `MetaData` object with the described information. The `MetaData` class provides the `getxxx` methods to access this information.

## Notes on Types and Attributes

When performing `DESCRIBE` operations, be aware of the following issues:

- The `ATTR_TYPECODE` returns typecodes that represent the type supplied when you created a new type by using the `CREATE TYPE` statement. These typecodes are of the enumerated type `OCCITypeCode`, which are represented by `OCCI_TYPECODE` constants.

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**Note:** Internal PL/SQL types (boolean, indexed table) are not supported.

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- The `ATTR_DATA_TYPE` returns types that represent the datatypes of the database columns. These values are of enumerated type `OCCIType`. For example, `LONG` types return `OCCI_SQLT_LNG` types.

## Describing Database Metadata

Describing database metadata is equivalent to an explicit `DESCRIBE` operation. The object to describe must be an object in the schema. In describing a type, you call the `getMetaData` method from the connection, passing the name of the object or a `RefAny` object. To do this, you must initialize the environment in the `OBJECT` mode. The `getMetaData` method returns an object of type `MetaData`. Each type of `MetaData` object has a list of attributes that are part of the describe tree. The describe tree can then be traversed recursively to point to subtrees containing more information. More information about an object can be obtained by calling the `getxxx` methods.

If you need to construct a browser that describes the database and its objects recursively, then you can access information regarding the number of attributes for each object in the database (including the database), the attribute ID listing, and the attribute types listing. By using this information, you can recursively traverse the describe tree from the top node (the database) to the columns in the tables, the attributes of a type, the parameters of a procedure or function, and so on.

For example, consider the typical case of describing a table and its contents. You call the `getMetaData` method from the connection, passing the name of the table to be described. The `MetaData` object returned contains the table information. Since you are aware of the type of the object that you want to describe (table, column, type, collection, function, procedure, and so on), you can obtain the attribute list as shown in [Table 6–1](#). You can retrieve the value into a variable of the type specified in the table by calling the corresponding `get*( )` method.

**Table 6–1 Attribute Groupings**

<b>Attribute Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
<a href="#">Parameter Attributes</a> on page 6-10	Attributes belonging to all elements
<a href="#">Table and View Attributes</a> on page 6-11	Attributes belonging to tables and views
<a href="#">Procedure, Function, and Subprogram Attributes</a> on page 6-12	Attributes belonging to procedures, functions, and package subprograms
<a href="#">Package Attributes</a> on page 6-13	Attributes belonging to packages
<a href="#">Type Attributes</a> on page 6-13	Attributes belonging to types
<a href="#">Type Attribute Attributes</a> on page 6-15	Attributes belonging to type attributes
<a href="#">Type Method Attributes</a> on page 6-16	Attributes belonging to type methods
<a href="#">Collection Attributes</a> on page 6-17	Attributes belonging to collection types
<a href="#">Synonym Attributes</a> on page 6-19	Attributes belonging to synonyms
<a href="#">Sequence Attributes</a> on page 6-19	Attributes belonging to sequences
<a href="#">Column Attributes</a> on page 6-20	Attributes belonging to columns of tables or views
<a href="#">Argument and Result Attributes</a> on page 6-21	Attributes belonging to arguments / results
<a href="#">List Attributes</a> on page 6-23	Attributes that designate the list type
<a href="#">Schema Attributes</a> on page 6-24	Attributes specific to schemas

**Table 6–1 Attribute Groupings (Cont.)**

Attribute Type	Description
Database Attributes on page 6-24	Attributes specific to databases

## Metatdata Code Examples

This section provides code examples for obtaining:

- Connection metadata
- ResultSet metadata

### Connection Metadata Code Examples

The following code example demonstrates how to obtain metadata about attributes of a simple database table:

```

/* Create an environment and a connection to the HR database */
.
.
.
/* Call the getMetaData method on the Connection object obtainedv*/
MetaData emptab_metaData = connection->getMetaData("EMPLOYEES",
                                                    MetaData::PTYPE_TABLE);
/* Now that you have the metadata information on the EMPLOYEES table,
   call the getxxx methods using the appropriate attributes
*/
/* Call getString */
cout<<"Schema:"<<(emptab_metaData.getString(MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_SCHEMA))<<endl;

if(emptab_metaData.getInt(emptab_metaData::ATTR_PTYPE)==MetaData::PTYPE_TABLE)
    cout<<"EMPLOYEES is a table"<<endl;
else
    cout<<"EMPLOYEES is not a table"<<endl;

/* Call getInt to get the number of columns in the table */
int columnCount=emptab_metaData.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_NUM_COLS);
cout<<"Number of Columns:"<<columnCount<<endl;

/* Call getTimestamp to get the timestamp of the table object */
Timestamp tstamp = emptab_metaData.getTimestamp(MetaData::ATTR_TIMESTAMP);
/* Now that you have the value of the attribute as a Timestamp object,
   you can call methods to obtain the components of the timestamp */
int year;

```

```
unsigned int month, day;
tstamp.getData(year, month, day);

/* Call getVector for attributes of list type,
for example ATTR_LIST_COLUMNS
*/
vector<MetaData>listOfColumns;
listOfColumns=empstab_metaData.getVector(MetaData::ATTR_LIST_COLUMNS);

/* Each of the list elements represents a column metadata,
so now you can access the column attributes
*/
for (int i=0;i<listOfColumns.size();i++)
{
    MetaData columnObj=listOfColumns[i];
    cout<<"Column Name:"<<(columnObj.getString(MetaData::ATTR_NAME))<<endl;
    cout<<"Data Type:"<<(columnObj.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_DATA_TYPE))<<endl;
    .
    .
    .
    /* and so on to obtain metadata on other column specific attributes */
}
```

**The following code example demonstrates how to obtain metadata about a database table with a column containing a user-defined type:**

```
/* Create an environment and a connection to the HR database */
.
.
.
/* Call the getMetaData method on the Connection object obtained */
MetaData custtab_metaData = connection->getMetaData("CUSTOMERS",
    MetaData::PTYPE_TABLE);

/* Now that you have the metadata information on the CUSTOMERS table,
call the getxxx methods using the appropriate attributes
*/
/* Call getString */
cout<<"Schema:"<<(custtab_metaData.getString(MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_SCHEMA))<<endl;

if(custtab_metaData.getInt(custtab_metaData::ATTR_PTYPE)==MetaData::PTYPE_TABLE)
    cout<<"CUSTOMERS is a table"<<endl;
else
    cout<<"CUSTOMERS is not a table"<<endl;
```

```

/* Call getVector to obtain a list of columns in the CUSTOMERS table */
vector<MetaData>listOfColumns;
listOfColumns=custtab_metadata.getVector(MetaData::ATTR_LIST_COLUMNS);

/* Assuming that the metadata for the column cust_address_typ
   is the fourth element in the list...
*/
MetaData customer_address=listOfColumns[3];

/* Now you can obtain the metadata for the customer_address attribute */
int typcode = customer_address.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_TYPECODE);
if(typcode==OCCI_TYPECODE_OBJECT)
    cout<<"customer_address is an object type"<<endl;
else
    cout<<"customer_address is not an object type"<<endl;

string objectName=customer_address.getString(MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_NAME);

/* Now that you have the name of the address object,
   the metadata of the attributes of the type can be obtained by using
   getMetaData on the connection by passing the object name
*/
MetaData address = connection->getMetaData(objectName);

/* Call getVector to obtain the list of the address object attributes */
vector<MetaData> attributeList =
    address.getVector(MetaData::ATT_LIST_TYPE_ATTRS);

/* and so on to obtain metadata on other address object specific attributes */

```

The following code example demonstrates how to obtain metadata about an object when using a reference to it:

Assuming the following schema structure:

```

Type ADDRESS(street VARCHAR2(50), city VARCHAR2(20));
Table Person(id NUMBER, addr REF ADDRESS);

/* Create an environment and a connection to the HR database */
.
.
.
/* Call the getMetaData method on the Connection object obtained */
MetaData perstab_metadata = connection->getMetaData("Person",

```

```
        MetaData::PTYPE_TABLE);

/* Now that you have the metadata information on the Person table,
   call the getxxx methods using the appropriate attributes
*/
/* Call getString */
cout<<"Schema:"<<(perstab_metaData.getString(MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_SCHEMA))<<endl;

if(perstab_metaData.getInt(perstab_metaData::ATTR_PTYPE)==MetaData::PTYPE_TABLE)
    cout<<"Person is a table"<<endl;
else
    cout<<"Person is not a table"<<endl;

/* Call getVector to obtain the list of columns in the Person table
*/
vector<MetaData>listOfColumns;
listOfColumns=perstab_metaData.getVector(MetaData::ATTR_LIST_COLUMNS);

/* Each of the list elements represents a column metadata,
   so now get the datatype of the column by passing ATTR_DATA_TYPE
   to getInt
*/
for(int i=0;i<numCols;i++)
{
int dataType=colList[i].getInt(MetaData::ATTR_DATA_TYPE);
/* If the datatype is a reference, get the Ref and obtain the metadata
   about the object by passing the Ref to getMetaData
*/
if(dataType==SQLT_REF)
    RefAny refTdo=colList[i].getRef(MetaData::ATTR_REF_TDO);

/* Now you can obtain the metadata about the object as shown
MetaData tdo_metaData=connection->getMetaData(refTdo);

/* Now that you have the metadata about the TDO, you can obtain the metadata
   about the object
*/
```

### Resultset Metadata Code Example

The following code example demonstrates how to obtain metadata about a select list from a ResultSet object:

```
/* Create an environment and a connection to the database */
.
```



```
.  
.br/>/* Create a statement and associate it with a select clause */  
string sqlStmt="SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEES";  
Statement *stmt=conn->createStatement(sqlStmt);  
  
/* Execute the statement to obtain a ResultSet */  
ResultSet *rset=stmt->executeQuery();  
  
/* Obtain the metadata about the select list */  
vector<MetaData>cmd=rset->getColumnListMetaData();  
  
/* The metadata is a column list and each element is a column metaData */  
int dataType=cmd[i].getInt(MetaData::ATTR_DATA_TYPE);  
.br/>.br/.
```

The `getMetaData` method is called for the `ATTR_COLLECTION_ELEMENT` attribute only.

## Attribute Reference

This section describes the attributes belonging to schema and subschema objects. The following attribute groupings are presented:

- [Parameter Attributes](#)
- [Table and View Attributes](#)
- [Procedure, Function, and Subprogram Attributes](#)
- [Package Attributes](#)
- [Type Attributes](#)
- [Type Attribute Attributes](#)
- [Type Method Attributes](#)
- [Collection Attributes](#)
- [Synonym Attributes](#)
- [Sequence Attributes](#)
- [Column Attributes](#)

- [Argument and Result Attributes](#)
- [List Attributes](#)
- [Schema Attributes](#)
- [Database Attributes](#)

## Parameter Attributes

All elements have some attributes specific to that element and some generic attributes. [Table 6–2](#) describes the attributes that belong to all elements:

**Table 6–2** *Attributes Belonging to All Elements*

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_OBJ_ID	Object or schema ID	unsigned int
ATTR_OBJ_NAME	Object, schema, or database name	string
ATTR_OBJ_SCHEMA	Schema where object is located	string
ATTR_OBJ_PTYPE	Type of information described by the parameter.	int
	<b>Possible Values</b>	<b>Description</b>
	PTYPE_TABLE	Table
	PTYPE_VIEW	View
	PTYPE_PROC	Procedure
	PTYPE_FUNC	Function
	PTYPE_PKG	Package
	PTYPE_TYPE	Type
	PTYPE_TYPE_ATTR	Attribute of a type
	PTYPE_TYPE_COLL	Collection type information
	PTYPE_TYPE_METHOD	A method of a type
	PTYPE_SYN	Synonym
	PTYPE_SEQ	Sequence
	PTYPE_COL	Column of a table or view
	PTYPE_ARG	Argument of a function or procedure
	PTYPE_TYPE_ARG	Argument of a type method

**Table 6–2 Attributes Belonging to All Elements (Cont.)**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
	PTYPE_TYPE_RESULT	Results of a method
	PTYPE_SCHEMA	Schema
	PTYPE_DATABASE	Database
ATTR_TIMESTAMP	The <code>TIMESTAMP</code> of the object this description is based on (Oracle <code>DATE</code> format)	Timestamp

The sections that follow list attributes specific to different types of elements.

## Table and View Attributes

A parameter for a table or view (type `PTYPE_TABLE` or `PTYPE_VIEW`) has the following type-specific attributes described in [Table 6–3](#):

**Table 6–3 Attributes Belonging to Tables or Views**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_OBJID	Object ID	unsigned int
ATTR_NUM_COLS	Number of columns	int
ATTR_LIST_COLUMNS	Column list (type <code>PTYPE_LIST</code> )	vector<MetaData>
ATTR_REF_TDO	REF to the TDO of the base type in case of extent tables	RefAny
ATTR_IS_TEMPORARY	Identifies whether the table or view is temporary	bool
ATTR_IS_TYPED	Identifies whether the table or view is typed	bool
ATTR_DURATION	Duration of a temporary table. Values can be: <code>OCCI_DURATION_SESSION</code> (session) <code>OCCI_DURATION_TRANS</code> (transaction) <code>OCCI_DURATION_NULL</code> (table not temporary)	int

The additional attributes belonging to tables are described in [Table 6-4](#).

**Table 6-4 Attributes Specific to Tables**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_DBA	Data block address of the segment header	unsigned int
ATTR_TABLESPACE	Tablespace the table resides on	int
ATTR_CLUSTERED	Identifies whether the table is clustered	bool
ATTR_PARTITIONED	Identifies whether the table is partitioned	bool
ATTR_INDEX_ONLY	Identifies whether the table is index only	bool

## Procedure, Function, and Subprogram Attributes

A parameter for a procedure or function (type `P_TYPE_PROC` or `P_TYPE_FUNC`) has the type-specific attributes described in [Table 6-5](#).

**Table 6-5 Attributes Belonging to Procedures or Functions**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_LIST_ARGUMENTS	Argument list Refer to <a href="#">List Attributes</a> on page 6-23.	vector<MetaData>
ATTR_IS_INVOKER_RIGHTS	Identifies whether the procedure or function has invoker-rights.	int

The additional attributes belonging to package subprograms are described in [Table 6-6](#).

**Table 6-6 Attributes Belonging to Package Subprograms**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_NAME	Name of procedure or function	string
ATTR_OVERLOAD_ID	Overloading ID number (relevant in case the procedure or function is part of a package and is overloaded). Values returned may be different from direct query of a PL/SQL function or procedure.	int

## Package Attributes

A parameter for a package (type `P_TYPE_PKG`) has the type-specific attributes described in [Table 6-7](#).

**Table 6-7 Attributes Belonging to Packages**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
<code>ATTR_LIST_SUBPROGRAMS</code>	Subprogram list Refer to <a href="#">List Attributes</a> on page 6-23.	<code>vector&lt;MetaData&gt;</code>
<code>ATTR_IS_INVOKER_RIGHTS</code>	Identifies whether the package has invoker-rights	<code>bool</code>

## Type Attributes

A parameter for a type (type `P_TYPE_TYPE`) has attributes described in [Table 6-8](#).

**Table 6-8 Attributes Belonging to Types**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
<code>ATTR_REF_TDO</code>	Returns the in-memory ref of the type descriptor object for the type, if the column type is an object type. ADD MORE	<code>RefAny</code>
<code>ATTR_TYPECODE</code>	Typecode. Can be <code>OCCL_TYPECODE_OBJECT</code> or <code>OCCL_TYPECODE_NAMEDCOLLECTION</code> . Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	<code>int</code>
<code>ATTR_COLLECTION_TYPECODE</code>	Typecode of collection if type is collection; invalid otherwise. Can be <code>OCCL_TYPECODE_VARRAY</code> or <code>OCCL_TYPECODE_TABLE</code> . Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	<code>int</code>
<code>ATTR_VERSION</code>	A null terminated string containing the user-assigned version	<code>string</code>
<code>ATTR_IS_FINAL_TYPE</code>	Identifies whether this is a final type	<code>bool</code>
<code>ATTR_IS_INSTANTIABLE_TYPE</code>	Identifies whether this is an instantiable type	<code>bool</code>

**Table 6–8 Attributes Belonging to Types (Cont.)**

<b>Attribute</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Attribute Datatype</b>
ATTR_IS_SUBTYPE	Identifies whether this is a subtype	bool
ATTR_SUPERTYPE_SCHEMA_NAME	Name of the schema containing the supertype	string
ATTR_SUPERTYPE_NAME	Name of the supertype	string
ATTR_IS_INVOKER_RIGHTS	Identifies whether this type is invoker-rights	bool
ATTR_IS_INCOMPLETE_TYPE	Identifies whether this type is incomplete	bool
ATTR_IS_SYSTEM_TYPE	Identifies whether this is a system type	bool
ATTR_IS_PREDEFINED_TYPE	Identifies whether this is a predefined type	bool
ATTR_IS_TRANSIENT_TYPE	Identifies whether this is a transient type	bool
ATTR_IS_SYSTEM_GENERATED_TYPE	Identifies whether this is a system-generated type	bool
ATTR_HAS_NESTED_TABLE	Identifies whether this type contains a nested table attribute	bool
ATTR_HAS_LOB	Identifies whether this type contains a LOB attribute	bool
ATTR_HAS_FILE	Identifies whether this type contains a FILE attribute	bool
ATTR_COLLECTION_ELEMENT	Handle to collection element Refer to <a href="#">Collection Attributes</a> on page 6-17	MetaData
ATTR_NUM_TYPE_ATTRS	Number of type attributes	unsigned int
ATTR_LIST_TYPE_ATTRS	List of type attributes Refer to <a href="#">List Attributes</a> on page 6-23	vector<MetaData>
ATTR_NUM_TYPE_METHODS	Number of type methods	unsigned int
ATTR_LIST_TYPE_METHODS	List of type methods Refer to <a href="#">List Attributes</a> on page 6-23	vector<MetaData>
ATTR_MAP_METHOD	Map method of type Refer to <a href="#">Type Method Attributes</a> on page 6-16	MetaData

**Table 6–8 Attributes Belonging to Types (Cont.)**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_ORDER_METHOD	Order method of type Refer to <a href="#">Type Method Attributes</a> on page 6-16	MetaData

## Type Attribute Attributes

A parameter for an attribute of a type (type PTYPE\_TYPE\_ATTR) has the attributes described in [Table 6–9](#).

**Table 6–9 Attributes Belonging to Type Attributes**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_DATA_SIZE	Maximum size of the type attribute. This length is returned in bytes and not characters for strings and raws. Returns 22 for NUMBER.	int
ATTR_TYPECODE	Typecode Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	int
ATTR_DATA_TYPE	Datatype of the type attribute Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	int
ATTR_NAME	A pointer to a string that is the type attribute name	string
ATTR_PRECISION	Precision of numeric type attributes. If the precision is nonzero and scale is -127, then it is a FLOAT; otherwise a NUMBER(p, s). If precision is 0, then NUMBER(p, s) can be represented simply by NUMBER.	int
ATTR_SCALE	Scale of numeric type attributes. If the precision is nonzero and scale is -127, then it is a FLOAT; otherwise a NUMBER(p, s). If precision is 0, then NUMBER(p, s) can be represented simply as NUMBER.	int

**Table 6–9 Attributes Belonging to Type Attributes (Cont.)**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_TYPE_NAME	A string that is the type name. The returned value will contain the type name if the datatype is <code>SQLT_NTY</code> or <code>SQLT_REF</code> . If the datatype is <code>SQLT_NTY</code> , then the name of the named datatype's type is returned. If the datatype is <code>SQLT_REF</code> , then the type name of the named datatype pointed to by the <code>REF</code> is returned.	string
ATTR_SCHEMA_NAME	String with the schema name under which the type has been created	string
ATTR_REF_TDO	Returns the in-memory <code>REF</code> of the TDO for the type, if the column type is an object type.	RefAny
ATTR_CHARSET_ID	Character set ID, if the type attribute is of a string or character type	int
ATTR_CHARSET_FORM	Character set form, if the type attribute is of a string or character type	int
ATTR_FSPRECISION	The fractional seconds precision of a datetime or interval	int
ATTR_LFPRECISION	The leading field precision of an interval	int

## Type Method Attributes

A parameter for a method of a type (type `PType_Type_Method`) has the attributes described in [Table 6–10](#).

**Table 6–10 Attributes Belonging to Type Methods**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_NAME	Name of method (procedure or function)	string
ATTR_ENCAPSULATION	Encapsulation level of the method (either <code>OCCI_TypeEncap_Private</code> or <code>OCCI_TypeEncap_Public</code> )	int
ATTR_LIST_ARGUMENTS	Argument list	vector<MetaData>



**Table 6–10 Attributes Belonging to Type Methods (Cont.)**

<b>Attribute</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Attribute Datatype</b>
ATTR_IS_CONSTRUCTOR	Identifies whether the method is a constructor	bool
ATTR_IS_DESTRUCTOR	Identifies whether the method is a destructor	bool
ATTR_IS_OPERATOR	Identifies whether the method is an operator	bool
ATTR_IS_SELFISH	Identifies whether the method is selfish	bool
ATTR_IS_MAP	Identifies whether the method is a map method	bool
ATTR_IS_ORDER	Identifies whether the method is an order method	bool
ATTR_IS_RNDS	Identifies whether "Read No Data State" is set for the method	bool
ATTR_IS_RNPS	Identifies whether "Read No Process State" is set for the method	bool
ATTR_IS_WNDS	Identifies whether "Write No Data State" is set for the method	bool
ATTR_IS_WNPS	Identifies whether "Write No Process State" is set for the method	bool
ATTR_IS_FINAL_METHOD	Identifies whether this is a final method	bool
ATTR_IS_INSTANTIABLE_METHOD	Identifies whether this is an instantiable method	bool
ATTR_IS_OVERRIDING_METHOD	Identifies whether this is an overriding method	bool

## Collection Attributes

A parameter for a collection type (type `PTYPE_COLL`) has the attributes described in [Table 6–11](#).

**Table 6–11 Attributes Belonging to Collection Types**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_DATA_SIZE	Maximum size of the type attribute. This length is returned in bytes and not characters for strings and raws. Returns 22 for NUMBER.	int
ATTR_TYPECODE	Typecode Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	int
ATTR_DATA_TYPE	The datatype of the type attribute Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	int
ATTR_NUM_ELEMENTS	Number of elements in an array. Only valid for collections that are arrays.	unsigned int
ATTR_NAME	A pointer to a string that is the type attribute name	string
ATTR_PRECISION	Precision of numeric type attributes. If the precision is nonzero and scale is -127, then it is a FLOAT; otherwise a NUMBER(p, s). If precision is 0, then NUMBER(p, s) can be represented simply as NUMBER.	int
ATTR_SCALE	Scale of numeric type attributes. If the precision is nonzero and scale is -127, then it is a FLOAT; otherwise a NUMBER(p, s). If precision is 0, then NUMBER(p, s) can be represented simply as NUMBER.	int
ATTR_TYPE_NAME	String that is the type name. The returned value will contain the type name if the datatype is <code>SQLT_NTY</code> or <code>SQLT_REF</code> . If the datatype is <code>SQLT_NTY</code> , then the name of the named datatype's type is returned. If the datatype is <code>SQLT_REF</code> , then the type name of the named datatype pointed to by the <code>REF</code> is returned	string
ATTR_SCHEMA_NAME	String with the schema name under which the type has been created	string

**Table 6–11 Attributes Belonging to Collection Types (Cont.)**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_REF_TDO	Maximum size of the type attribute. This length is returned in bytes and not characters for strings and raws. Returns 22 for NUMBER.	RefAny
ATTR_CHARSET_ID	Typecode Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	int
ATTR_CHARSET_FORM	The datatype of the type attribute Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	int

## Synonym Attributes

A parameter for a synonym (type PTYPE\_SYN) has the attributes described in [Table 6–12](#).

**Table 6–12 Attributes Belonging to Synonyms**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_OBJID	Object ID	unsigned int
ATTR_SCHEMA_NAME	Null-terminated string containing the schema name of the synonym translation	string
ATTR_NAME	Null-terminated string containing the object name of the synonym translation	string
ATTR_LINK	Null-terminated string containing the database link name of the synonym translation	string

## Sequence Attributes

A parameter for a sequence (type PTYPE\_SEQ) has the attributes described in [Table 6–13](#).

**Table 6–13 Attributes Belonging to Sequences**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_OBJID	Object ID	unsigned int
ATTR_MIN	Minimum value (in Oracle number format)	Number

**Table 6–13 Attributes Belonging to Sequences (Cont.)**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_MAX	Maximum value (in Oracle number format)	Number
ATTR_INCR	Increment (in Oracle number format)	Number
ATTR_CACHE	Number of sequence numbers cached; zero if the sequence is not a cached sequence (in Oracle number format)	Number
ATTR_ORDER	Identifies whether the sequence is ordered?	bool
ATTR_HW_MARK	High-water mark (in Oracle number format)	Number

## Column Attributes

A parameter for a column of a table or view (type PTYPE\_COL) has the attributes described in [Table 6–14](#).

**Table 6–14 Attributes Belonging to Columns of Tables or Views**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_DATA_SIZE	Column length in codepoints. The number of codepoints allowed in the column.	int
ATTR_DATA_TYPE	Type of length semantics of the column. Valid values are 0 for byte-length semantics and 1 for codepoint-length semantics.	int
ATTR_NAME	Maximum size of the column. This length is returned in bytes and not characters for strings and raws. Returns 22 for NUMBER.	string
ATTR_PRECISION	The datatype of the column Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	int
ATTR_SCALE	Pointer to a string that is the column name	int

**Table 6–14 Attributes Belonging to Columns of Tables or Views (Cont.)**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_IS_NULL	The precision of numeric columns. If the precision is nonzero and scale is -127, then it is a FLOAT; otherwise a NUMBER(p, s). If precision is 0, NUMBER(p, s) can be represented simply as NUMBER.	bool
ATTR_TYPE_NAME	Scale of numeric columns. If the precision is nonzero and scale is -127, then it is a FLOAT; otherwise a NUMBER(p, s). If precision is 0, then NUMBER(p, s) can be represented simply as NUMBER.	string
ATTR_SCHEMA_NAME	Returns 0 if null values are not permitted for the column	string
ATTR_REF_TDO	Returns a string that is the type name. The returned value will contain the type name if the datatype is SQLT_NTY or SQLT_REF. If the datatype is SQLT_NTY, then the name of the named datatype's type is returned. If the datatype is SQLT_REF, then the type name of the named datatype pointed to by the REF is returned	RefAny
ATTR_CHARSET_ID	Returns a string with the schema name under which the type has been created	int
ATTR_CHARSET_FORM	The REF of the TDO for the type, if the column type is an object type	int

## Argument and Result Attributes

A parameter for an argument or a procedure or function type (type PTYPE\_ARG), for a type method argument (type PTYPE\_TYPE\_ARG), or for method results (type PTYPE\_TYPE\_RESULT) has the attributes described in [Table 6–15](#).

**Table 6–15 Attributes Belonging to Arguments / Results**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_NAME	Returns a pointer to a string which is the argument name	string

**Table 6–15 Attributes Belonging to Arguments / Results (Cont.)**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_POSITION	Position of the argument in the argument list. Always returns 0.	int
ATTR_TYPECODE	Typecode Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	int
ATTR_DATA_TYPE	Datatype of the argument Refer to <a href="#">Notes on Types and Attributes</a> on page 6-3.	int
ATTR_DATA_SIZE	Size of the datatype of the argument. This length is returned in bytes and not characters for strings and raws. Returns 22 for NUMBER.	int
ATTR_PRECISION	Precision of numeric arguments. If the precision is nonzero and scale is -127, then it is a FLOAT; otherwise a NUMBER(p, s). If precision is 0, then NUMBER(p, s) can be represented simply as NUMBER.	int
ATTR_SCALE	Scale of numeric arguments. If the precision is nonzero and scale is -127, then it is a FLOAT; otherwise a NUMBER(p, s). If precision is 0, then NUMBER(p, s) can be represented simply as NUMBER.	int
ATTR_LEVEL	Datatype levels. This attribute always returns 0.	int
ATTR_HAS_DEFAULT	Indicates whether an argument has a default	int
ATTR_LIST_ARGUMENTS	The list of arguments at the next level (when the argument is of a record or table type)	vector<MetaData>
ATTR_IOMODE	Indicates the argument mode. Valid values are 0 for IN (OCCI_TYPEPARAM_IN), 1 for OUT (OCCI_TYPEPARAM_OUT), and 2 for IN/OUT (OCCI_TYPEPARAM_INOUT)	int
ATTR_RADIX	Returns a radix (if number type)	int
ATTR_IS_NULL	Returns 0 if null values are not permitted for the column	int

**Table 6–15 Attributes Belonging to Arguments / Results (Cont.)**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_TYPE_NAME	Returns a string that is the type name, or the package name in the case of package local types. The returned value contains the type name if the datatype is <code>SQLT_NTY</code> or <code>SQLT_REF</code> . If the datatype is <code>SQLT_NTY</code> , then the name of the named datatype's type is returned. If the datatype is <code>SQLT_REF</code> , then the type name of the named datatype pointed to by the REF is returned.	string
ATTR_SCHEMA_NAME	For <code>SQLT_NTY</code> or <code>SQLT_REF</code> , returns a string with the schema name under which the type was created, or under which the package was created in the case of package local types	string
ATTR_SUB_NAME	For <code>SQLT_NTY</code> or <code>SQLT_REF</code> , returns a string with the type name, in the case of package local types	string
ATTR_LINK	For <code>SQLT_NTY</code> or <code>SQLT_REF</code> , returns a string with the database link name of the database on which the type exists. This can happen only in the case of package local types, when the package is remote.	string
ATTR_REF_TDO	Returns the REF of the TDO for the type, if the argument type is an object	RefAny
ATTR_CHARSET_ID	Returns the character set ID if the argument is of a string or character type	int
ATTR_CHARSET_FORM	Returns the character set form if the argument is of a string or character type	int

## List Attributes

A list type of attribute can be described for all the elements in the list. In case of a function argument list, position 0 has a parameter for return values (`PTYPE_ARG`).

The list is described iteratively for all the elements. The results are stored in a C++ vector<Metadata>. Call the `getVector` method to describe list type of attributes. [Table 6–16](#) displays the list attributes.

**Table 6–16 Values for ATTR\_LIST\_TYPE**

Possible Values	Description
ATTR_LIST_COLUMNS	Column list
ATTR_LIST_ARGUMENTS	Procedure or function arguments list

**Table 6–16 Values for ATTR\_LIST\_TYPE (Cont.)**

Possible Values	Description
ATTR_LIST_SUBPROGRAMS	Subprogram list
ATTR_LIST_TYPE_ATTRIBUTES	Type attribute list
ATTR_LIST_TYPE_METHODS	Type method list
ATTR_LIST_OBJECTS	Object list within a schema
ATTR_LIST_SCHEMAS	Schema list within a database

## Schema Attributes

A parameter for a schema type (type PTYPE\_SCHEMA) has the attributes described in [Table 6–17](#).

**Table 6–17 Attributes Specific to Schemas**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_LIST_OBJECTS	List of objects in the schema	string

## Database Attributes

A parameter for a database (type PTYPE\_DATABASE) has the attributes described in [Table 6–18](#).

**Table 6–18 Attributes Specific to Databases**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_VERSION	Database version	string
ATTR_CHARSET_ID	Database character set ID from the server handle	int
ATTR_NCHARSET_ID	Database native character set ID from the server handle	int
ATTR_LIST_SCHEMAS	List of schemas (type PTYPE_SCHEMA) in the database	vector<MetaData>
ATTR_MAX_PROC_LEN	Maximum length of a procedure name	unsigned int
ATTR_MAX_COLUMN_LEN	Maximum length of a column name	unsigned int



**Table 6–18 Attributes Specific to Databases (Cont.)**

Attribute	Description	Attribute Datatype
ATTR_CURSOR_COMMIT_BEHAVIOR	How a COMMIT operation affects cursors and prepared statements in the database. Values are: OCCI_CURSOR_OPEN for preserving cursor state as before the commit operation and OCCI_CURSOR_CLOSED for cursors that are closed on COMMIT, although the application can still reexecute the statement without preparing it again.	int
ATTR_MAX_CATALOG_NAMELEN	Maximum length of a catalog (database) name	int
ATTR_CATALOG_LOCATION	Position of the catalog in a qualified table. Valid values are OCCI_CL_START and OCCI_CL_END.	int
ATTR_SAVEPOINT_SUPPORT	Identifies whether the database supports savepoints. Valid values are OCCI_SP_SUPPORTED and OCCI_SP_UNSUPPORTED.	int
ATTR_NOWAIT_SUPPORT	Identifies whether the database supports the nowait clause. Valid values are OCCI_NW_SUPPORTED and OCCI_NW_UNSUPPORTED.	int
ATTR_AUTOCOMMIT_DDL	Identifies whether the autocommit mode is required for DDL statements. Valid values are OCCI_AC_DDL and OCCI_NO_AC_DDL.	int
ATTR_LOCKING_MODE	Locking mode for the database. Valid values are OCCI_LOCK_IMMEDIATE and OCCI_LOCK_DELAYED.	int

**See Also:**

- [Appendix A, "OCCI Demonstration Programs"](#) and the code example [occidesc.cpp](#) for an illustration of the concepts covered in this chapter



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# How to Use the Object Type Translator Utility

This chapter discusses the Object Type Translator (OTT) utility, which is used to map database object types, LOB types, and named collection types to C structures and C++ class declarations for use in OCCI, OCI, and Pro\*C/C++ applications.

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**Note:** JDK 1.3.1 compatible Java compiler and Java interpreter must be correctly installed.

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This chapter includes the following topics:

- [How to Use the OTT Utility](#)
- [Creating Types in the Database](#)
- [Invoking the OTT Utility](#)
- [Overview of the INTYPE File](#)
- [OTT Utility Datatype Mappings](#)
- [Overview of the OUTTYPE File](#)
- [The OTT Utility and OCCI Applications](#)
- [Carrying Forward User Added Code](#)
- [Example OCCI Application](#)
- [OTT Utility Reference](#)

## Overview of the Object Type Translator Utility

The Object Type Translator (OTT) utility assists in the development of applications that make use of user-defined types in an Oracle database server.

Through the use of SQL `CREATE TYPE` statements, you can create object types. The definitions of these types are stored in the database and can be used in the creation of database tables. Once these tables are populated, an Oracle C++ Call Interface (OCCI), Oracle Call Interface (OCI), or Pro\*C/C++ programmer can access objects stored in the tables.

An application that accesses object data must be able to represent the data in a host language format. This is accomplished by representing object types as structures in C or as classes in C++.

You could code structures or classes manually to represent database object types, but this is time-consuming and error-prone. The OTT utility simplifies this step by automatically generating the appropriate structure declarations for C or the appropriate classes for C++.

For Pro\*C/C++, the application only needs to include the header file generated by the OTT utility. In OCI, the application also needs to call an initialization function generated by the OTT utility.

For OCCI, the application must include and link the following files:

- Include the header file containing the generated class declarations
- Include the header file containing the prototype for the function to register the mappings
- Link with the C++ source file containing the static methods to be called by OCCI while instantiating the objects
- Link with the file containing the function to register the mappings with the environment and call this function

For C, in addition to creating C structures that represent stored datatypes, the OTT utility also generates parallel indicator structures that indicate whether an object type or its fields are null. This is not the case for C++.

## How to Use the OTT Utility

To translate database types to C or C++ representation, you must explicitly invoke the OTT utility. In addition, OCI programmers must initialize a data structure called

the Type Version Table with information about the user-defined types required by the program. Code to perform this initialization is generated by the OTT utility

In Pro\*C/C++, the type version information is recorded in the OUTTYPE file which is passed as a parameter to Pro\*C/C++.

OCCI programmers must invoke the function to register the mappings with the environment. This function is generated by the OTT utility.

On most operating systems, the OTT utility is invoked on the command line. It takes as input an INTYPE file, and it generates an OUTTYPE file and one or more C header files or one or more C++ header files and C++ method files. An optional implementation file is generated for OCI programmers. For OCCI programmers, an additional C++ methods file to register mappings is generated along with its corresponding header file containing the prototype.

### Example for C

The following example is of a command line that invokes the OTT utility and generates C structs:

```
ott userid=scott/tiger intype=demo.in.typ outtype=demo.out.typ code=c hfile=demo.h
```

This command causes the OTT utility to connect to the database with username `scott` and password `tiger`, and to translate database types to C structures, based on instructions in the INTYPE file, `demo.in.typ`. The resulting structures are output to the header file, `demo.h`, for the host language (C) specified by the code parameter. The OUTTYPE file, `demo.out.typ`, receives information about the translation.

Each of these parameters is described in more detail in later sections of this chapter.

### Sample `demo.in.typ` and `demo.out.typ` files

This is an example of a `demo.in.typ` file:

```
CASE=LOWER
TYPE employee
```

This is an example of a `demo.out.typ` file:

```
CASE = LOWER
TYPE SCOTT.EMPLOYEE AS employee
  VERSION = "$8.0"
  HFILE = demo.h
```

In this example, the `demo.in.typ` file contains the type to be translated, preceded by the keyword `TYPE`. The structure of the `OUTTYPE` file is similar to the `INTYPE` file, with the addition of information obtained by the OTT utility.

Once the OTT utility has completed the translation, the header file contains a C structure representation of each type specified in the `INTYPE` file, and a null indicator structure corresponding to each type.

Let us assume the employee type listed in the `INTYPE` file is defined as follows:

```
CREATE TYPE employee AS OBJECT
(
  name      VARCHAR2(30),
  empno     NUMBER,
  deptno    NUMBER,
  hiredate  DATE,
  salary    NUMBER
);
```

The header file, `demo.h`, generated by the OTT utility includes, among other items, the following declarations:

```
struct employee
{
  OCIStrng * name;
  OCINumber empno;
  OCINumber deptno;
  OCIDate  hiredate;
  OCINumber salary;
};
typedef struct emp_type emp_type;

struct employee_ind
{
  OCIInd _atomic;
  OCIInd name;
  OCIInd empno;
  OCIInd deptno;
  OCIInd hiredate;
  OCIInd salary;
};
typedef struct employee_ind employee_ind;
```

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**Note:** Parameters in the `INTYPE` file control the way generated structures are named. In this example, the structure name `employee` matches the database type name `employee`. The structure name is in lowercase because of the line `CASE=lower` in the `INTYPE` file.

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**See Also:** ["OTT Utility Datatype Mappings"](#) on page 7-16 for more information about types.

### Example for C++

The following example is of an OTT command that invokes the OTT utility and generates C++ classes:

```
ott userid=scott/tiger intype=demo.in.typ outtype=demo.out.typ code=cpp
hfile=demo.h cppfile=demo.cpp mapfile=RegisterMappings.cpp
```

This command causes the OTT utility to connect to the database as username `scott` with password `tiger`, and use the `demo.in.typ` file as the `INTYPE` file, and the `demo.out.typ` file as the `OUTTYPE` file. The resulting declarations are output to the file `demo.h` in C++, specified by the `CODE=cpp` parameter, the method implementations written to the file `demo.cpp`, and the functions to register mappings is written to `RegisterMappings.cpp` with its prototype written to `RegisterMappings.h`.

By using the same `demo.in.typ` file and `employee` type as in the previous section, the OTT utility generates the following files:

- `demo.h`
- `demo.cpp`
- `RegisterMappings.h`
- `RegisterMappings.cpp`
- `demo.out.typ`

The contents of these files are displayed in the following sections:

- [Contents of the demo.h File](#)
- [Contents of the demo.cpp File](#)
- [Contents of the RegisterMappings.h File](#)
- [Contents of the RegisterMappings.cpp File](#)

- Contents of the demoout.typ File

### Contents of the demo.h File

```
#ifndef DEMO_ORACLE
# define DEMO_ORACLE

#endif

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

/*****
// generated declarations for the EMPLOYEE object type.
*****/

class employee : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string name;
    oracle::occi::Number empno;
    oracle::occi::Number deptno;
    oracle::occi::Date hiredate;
    oracle::occi::Number salary;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    employee();

    employee(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);
```



```

        virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);
};

#endif

```

## Contents of the demo.cpp File

```

#ifndef DEMO_ORACLE
# include "demo.h"
#endif

/*****
// generated method implementations for the EMPLOYEE object type.
*****/

void *employee::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *employee::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.EMPLOYEE");
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string employee::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.EMPLOYEE");
}

employee::employee()
{
}

void *employee::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    employee *objOCCI_ = new employee(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try

```

```

    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_>setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
{
    delete objOCCI_;
    excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    return (void *)NULL;
}
return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void employee::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    name = streamOCCI_.getString();
    empno = streamOCCI_.getNumber();
    deptno = streamOCCI_.getNumber();
    hiredate = streamOCCI_.getDate();
    salary = streamOCCI_.getNumber();
}

void employee::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    employee *objOCCI_ = (employee *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_>isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
{
    excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
}
return;
}

void employee::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{

```

```

    streamOCCI_.setString(name);
    streamOCCI_.setNumber(empno);
    streamOCCI_.setNumber(deptno);
    streamOCCI_.setDate(hiredate);
    streamOCCI_.setNumber(salary);
}

```

## Contents of the RegisterMappings.h File

```

#ifndef REGISTERMAPPINGS_ORACLE
#define REGISTERMAPPINGS_ORACLE

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
#include <occi.h>
#endif

#ifndef DEMO_ORACLE
#include "demo.h"
#endif

void RegisterMappings(oracle::occi::Environment* envOCCI_);

#endif

```

## Contents of the RegisterMappings.cpp File

```

#ifndef REGISTERMAPPINGS_ORACLE
#include "registermappings.h"
#endif

void RegisterMappings(oracle::occi::Environment* envOCCI_)
{
    oracle::occi::Map *mapOCCI_ = envOCCI_->getMap();
    mapOCCI_->put("SCOTT.EMPLOYEE", employee::readSQL, employee::writeSQL);
}

```

## Contents of the demoout.typ File

```

CASE = LOWER
MAPFILE = RegisterMappings.cpp
MAPFUNC = RegisterMappings

```

```
TYPE SCOTT.EMPLOYEE AS employee
  VERSION = "$8.0"
  HFILE = demo.h
```

**See Also:** [Example for Extending OTT Classes](#) on page 7-51 for a complete C++ example.

## Creating Types in the Database

The first step in using the OTT utility is to create object types or named collection types and store them in the database. This is accomplished through the use of the SQL `CREATE TYPE` statement.

The following is an example of statements that create objects:

```
CREATE TYPE FULL_NAME AS OBJECT (first_name CHAR(20), last_name CHAR(20));
CREATE TYPE ADDRESS AS OBJECT (state CHAR(20), zip CHAR(20));
CREATE TYPE ADDRESS_TAB AS VARRAY(3) OF REF ADDRESS;
CREATE TYPE PERSON AS OBJECT (id NUMBER, name FULL_NAME, curr_addr REF ADDRESS,
  prev_addr_1 ADDRESS_TAB) NOT FINAL;
CREATE TYPE STUDENT UNDER PERSON (school_name CHAR(20));
```

## Invoking the OTT Utility

After creating types in the database, the next step is to invoke the OTT utility.

## Specifying OTT Parameters

You can specify OTT parameters either on the command line or in a configuration file. Certain parameters can also be specified in the `INTYPE` file.

If you specify a parameter in more than one place, then its value on the command line takes precedence over its value in the `INTYPE` file. The value in the `INTYPE` file takes precedence over its value in a user-defined configuration file, which takes precedence over its value in the default configuration file.

Parameter precedence then is as follows:

1. OTT command line
2. Value in `INTYPE` file
3. User-defined configuration file
4. Default configuration file

For global options (that is, options on the command line or options at the beginning of the `INTYPE` file before any `TYPE` statements), the value on the command line overrides the value in the `INTYPE` file. (The options that can be specified globally in the `INTYPE` file are `CASE`, `INITFILE`, `INITFUNC`, `MAPFILE` and `MAPFUNC`, but not `HFILE` or `CPPFILE`.) Anything in the `INTYPE` file in a `TYPE` specification applies to a particular type only and overrides anything on the command line that would otherwise apply to the type. So if you enter `TYPE person HFILE=p.h`, then it applies to `person` only and overrides the `HFILE` on the command line. The statement is not considered a command line parameter.

### Setting Parameters on the Command Line

Parameters (also called options) set on the command line override any parameters or option set elsewhere.

**See Also:** ["Invoking the OTT Utility"](#) on page 7-10 for more information

### Setting Parameters in the `INTYPE` File

The `INTYPE` file gives a list of types for the OTT utility to translate.

The parameters `CASE`, `CPPFILE`, `HFILE`, `INITFILE`, `INITFUNC`, `MAPFILE`, and `MAPFUNC` can appear in the `INTYPE` file.

**See Also:** ["Overview of the `INTYPE` File"](#) on page 7-14 for more information

### Setting Parameters in the Configuration File

A configuration file is a text file that contains OTT parameters. Each nonblank line in the file contains one parameter, with its associated value or values. If more than one parameter is put on a line, then only the first one will be used. No blank space is allowed on any nonblank line of a configuration file.

A configuration file can be named on the command line. In addition, a default configuration file is always read. This default configuration file must always exist, but can be empty. The name of the default configuration file is `ottcfg.cfg`, and the location of the file is operating system-specific.

**See Also:** Your operating system-specific documentation for more information about the location of the default configuration file

## Invoking the OTT Utility on the Command Line

On most platforms, the OTT utility is invoked on the command line. You can specify the input and output files and the database connection information at the command line, among other things.

**See Also:** Your operating system-specific documentation to see how to invoke the OTT utility on your operating system

### Invoking the OTT Utility for C++

The following is an example of invoking the OTT utility that generates C++ classes:

```
ott userid=scott/tiger intype=demo.in.typ outtype=demo.out.typ code=cpp  
hfile=demo.h cppfile=demo.cpp mapfile=RegisterMappings.cpp
```

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**Note:** No spaces are permitted around the equals sign (=) on the OTT command line.

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### Description of Elements Used on the OTT Command Line

The following sections describe the elements of the command lines used in these examples:

- [ott Command](#)
- [userid Parameter](#)
- [intype Parameter](#)
- [outtype Parameter](#)
- [code Parameter](#)
- [hfile Parameter](#)
- [cppfile Parameter](#)
- [mapfile Parameter](#)

**See Also:** "[OTT Utility Reference](#)" on page 7-116 for a detailed discussion of the various OTT command line parameters.

**ott Command** Causes the OTT utility to be invoked. It must be the first item on the command line.

**userid Parameter** Specifies the database connection information that the OTT utility will use. In both of the preceding examples, the OTT utility attempts to connect with username `scott` and password `tiger`.

**intype Parameter** Specifies the name of the `INTYPE` file. In both of the preceding examples, the name of the `INTYPE` file is specified as `demo.in.typ`.

**outtype Parameter** Specifies the name of the `OUTTYPE` file. When the OTT utility generates the header file, it also writes information about the translated types into the `OUTTYPE` file. This file contains an entry for each of the types that is translated, including its version string, and the header file to which its C or C++ representation is written.

In both of the preceding examples, the name of the `OUTTYPE` file is specified as `demo.out.typ`.

**code Parameter** Specifies the target language for the translation. The following values are valid:

- `ANSI_C` (for ANSI C)
- `C` (equivalent to `ANSI_C`)
- `KR_C` (for Kernighan & Ritchie C)
- `CPP` (for C++)

There is currently no default value, so this parameter is required.

Structure declarations are identical for the C language options: `C`, `ANSI_C`, and `KR_C`. The style in which the initialization function is defined in the `INITFILE` file depends on whether `KR_C` is used. If the `INITFILE` parameter is not used, then the C language options are equivalent.

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**Note:** In the previous example for C, the target language is specified as C (`code=c`). In the previous example for C++, the language is C++ (`code=cpp`) and both `CPPFILE` and `MAPFILE` parameters are specified.

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If you are generating C++ classes by setting the `CODE` parameter to `cpp`, then you must use the `CPPFILE` and the `MAPFILE` parameters.

**hfile Parameter** Specifies the name of the C or C++ header file to which the generated C structures or C++ classes are written.

**See Also:** ["OTT Command Line Syntax"](#) on page 7-117 for information about the `CPPFILE` and `MAPFILE` parameters

**cppfile Parameter** Specifies the name of the C++ source file into which the method implementations are written. The methods generated in this file are called by OCCI while instantiating the objects and are not to be called directly in the an application. This parameter is only needed for OCCI applications.

**mapfile Parameter** Specifies the name of the C++ source file into which the function to register the mappings with the environment is written. A corresponding header file is created containing the prototype for the function. This function to register mappings is only used for OCCI applications.

## Overview of the INTYPE File

When you run the OTT utility, the `INTYPE` file tells the OTT utility which database types should be translated. The `INTYPE` file also controls the naming of the generated structures or classes. You can either create an `INTYPE` file or use the `OUTTYPE` file of a previous invocation of the OTT utility. If you do not use an `INTYPE` file, then all types in the schema to which the OTT utility connects are translated.

The following is an example of a user-created `INTYPE` file:

```
CASE=LOWER
TYPE employee
    TRANSLATE SALARY$ AS salary
    DEPTNO AS department
TYPE ADDRESS
TYPE item
TYPE "Person"
TYPE PURCHASE_ORDER AS p_o
```

In the first line, the `CASE` parameter indicates that generated C identifiers should be in lowercase. However, this `CASE` parameter is only applied to those identifiers that are not explicitly mentioned in the `INTYPE` file. Thus, `employee` and `ADDRESS` would always result in C structures `employee` and `ADDRESS`, respectively. The members of these structures are named in lowercase.



The lines that begin with the `TYPE` keyword specify which types in the database should be translated. In this case, the `EMPLOYEE`, `ADDRESS`, `ITEM`, `PERSON`, and `PURCHASE_ORDER` types are set to be translated.

The `TRANSLATE . . . AS` keywords specify that the name of an object attribute should be changed when the type is translated into a C structure. In this case, the `SALARY$` attribute of the `employee` type is translated to `salary`.

The `AS` keyword in the final line specifies that the name of an object type should be changed when it is translated into a structure. In this case, the `purchase_order` database type is translated into a structure called `p_o`.

If you do not use `AS` to translate a type or attribute name, then the database name of the type or attribute will be used as the C identifier name, except that the `CASE` parameter will be observed, and any characters that cannot be mapped to a legal C identifier character will be replaced by an underscore character (`_`). Consider the following reasons for translating a type or attribute:

- The name contains characters other than letters, digits, and underscores
- The name conflicts with a C keyword
- The type name conflicts with another identifier in the same scope. This can happen, for example, if the program uses two types with the same name from different schemas.
- The programmer prefers a different name

The OTT utility may need to translate additional types that are not listed in the `INTYPE` file. This is because the OTT utility analyzes the types in the `INTYPE` file for type dependencies before performing the translation, and it translates other types as necessary. For example, if the `ADDRESS` type were not listed in the `INTYPE` file, but the `Person` type had an attribute of type `ADDRESS`, then the OTT utility would still translate `ADDRESS` because it is required to define the `Person` type.

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**Note:** As of release 1 (9.0.1), you may indicate whether the OTT utility is to generate required object types that are not specified in the `INTYPE` file. Set `TRANSITIVE=FALSE` so the OTT utility will not to generate required object types. The default is `TRANSITIVE=TRUE`.

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A normal case insensitive SQL identifier can be spelled in any combination of uppercase and lowercase in the `INTYPE` file, and is not quoted.

Use quotation marks, such as `TYPE "Person"` to reference SQL identifiers that have been created in a case sensitive manner, for example, `CREATE TYPE "Person"`. A SQL identifier is case sensitive if it was quoted when it was declared. Quotation marks can also be used to refer to a SQL identifier that is an OTT-reserved word, for example, `TYPE "CASE"`. In this case, the quoted name must be in uppercase if the SQL identifier was created in a case insensitive manner, for example, `CREATE TYPE Case`. If an OTT-reserved word is used to refer to the name of a SQL identifier but is not quoted, then the OTT utility will report a syntax error in the `INTYPE` file.

**See Also:**

- ["Structure of the INTYPE File"](#) on page 7-127 for a more detailed specification of the structure of the `INTYPE` file and the available options.
- ["CASE Parameter"](#) on page 7-119 for further information regarding the `CASE` parameter

## OTT Utility Datatype Mappings

When the OTT utility generates a C structure or a C++ class from a database type, the structure or class contains one element corresponding to each attribute of the object type. The datatypes of the attributes are mapped to types that are used in Oracle object data types. The datatypes found in Oracle include a set of predefined, primitive types and provide for the creation of user-defined types, like object types and collections.

The set of predefined types includes standard types that are familiar to most programmers, including number and character types. It also includes large object datatypes (for example, BLOB or CLOB).

Oracle also includes a set of predefined types that are used to represent object type attributes in C structures or C++ classes. As an example, consider the following object type definition, and its corresponding OTT-generated structure declarations:

```
CREATE TYPE employee AS OBJECT
(  name      VARCHAR2(30),
   empno    NUMBER,
   deptno   NUMBER,
   hiredate DATE,
   salary$  NUMBER);
```

The OTT utility, assuming that the `CASE` parameter is set to `LOWER` and there are no explicit mappings of type or attribute names, produces the following output:

```
struct employee
{
    OCIStrng * name;
    OCINumber empno;
    OCINumber deptno;
    OCIDate hiredate;
    OCINumber salary_;
};
typedef struct emp_type emp_type;
struct employee_ind
{
    OCIInd _atomic;
    OCIInd name;
    OCIInd empno;
    OCIInd deptno;
    OCIInd hiredate;
    OCIInd salary_;
}
typedef struct employee_ind employee_ind;
```

The datatypes in the structure declarations—`LNOCIStrng`, `LNOCINumber`, `LNOCIDate`, `LNOCIInd`—are used here to map the datatypes of the object type attributes. The number datatype of the `empno` attribute, maps to the `LNOCINumber` datatype, for example. These datatypes can also be used as the types of bind and define variables.

**See Also:**

- Oracle Call Interface Programmer's Guide for further information about the use of datatypes, including object datatypes, in OCI applications

## Mapping Object Datatypes to C

This section describes the mappings of object attribute types to C types, as generated by the OTT utility [Table 7-1](#) lists the mappings from types that can be used as attributes to object datatypes that are generated by the OTT utility.

**See Also:** ["OTT Utility Type Mapping Example for C"](#) on page 7-20 includes examples of many of these different mappings.

**Table 7-1 C Object Datatype Mappings for Object Type Attributes**

<b>Object Attribute Types</b>	<b>C Mapping</b>
BFILE	LNOCIBFileLocator*
BLOB	LNOCIBlobLocator*
CHAR(n), CHARACTER(n)	LNOCIString*
CLOB	LNOCIClobLocator*
DATE	LNOCIDate*
DEC, DEC(n), DEC(n,n)	LNOCINumber
DECIMAL, DECIMAL(n), DECIMAL(n,n)	LNOCINumber
FLOAT, FLOAT(n), DOUBLE PRECISION	LNOCINumber
INT, INTEGER, SMALLINT	LNOCINumber
INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND	LNOCIInterval
INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH	LNOCIInterval
<b>Nested Object Type</b>	<b>C name of the nested object type</b>
NESTED TABLE	<b>Declared by using typedef ; equivalent to LNOCITable*</b>
NUMBER, NUMBER(n), NUMBER(n,n)	LNOCINumber
NUMERIC, NUMERIC(n), NUMERIC(n,n)	LNOCINumber
RAW	LNOCIRaw*
REAL	LNOCINumber
REF	<b>Declared by using typedef ; equivalent to LNOCISRef*</b>
TIMESTAMP, TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE, TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE	LNOCIDateTime*
VARCHAR(n)	LNOCIString*
VARCHAR2(n)	LNOCIString*
VARRAY	<b>Declared by using typedef ; equivalent to LNOCIArray*</b>

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**Note:** For REF, VARRAY, and NESTED TABLE types, the OTT utility generates a typedef. The type declared in the typedef is then used as the type of the data member in the structure declaration. For examples, see the next section, "[OTT Utility Type Mapping Example for C](#)".

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If an object type includes an attribute of a REF or collection type, then a typedef for the REF or collection type is first generated. Then the structure declaration corresponding to the object type is generated. The structure includes an element whose type is a pointer to the REF or collection type.

If an object type includes an attribute whose type is another object type, then the OTT utility first generates the nested object type. It then maps the object type attribute to a nested structure of the type of the nested object type.

The C datatypes to which the OTT utility maps nonobject database attribute types are structures, which, except for LNOCIDate, are opaque.

### Mapping Object Datatypes to C++

This section describes the mappings of object attribute types to C++ types generated by the OTT utility. [Table 7-2](#) lists the mappings from types that can be used as attributes to object datatypes that are generated by the OTT utility.

**Table 7-2 C++ Object Datatype Mappings for Object Type Attributes**

Object Attribute Types	C++ Mapping
BFILE	Bfile
BLOB	Blob
CHAR(n), CHARACTER(n)	string
CLOB	Clob
DATE	Date
DEC, DEC(n), DEC(n,n)	Number
DECIMAL, DECIMAL(n), DECIMAL(n,n)	Number
FLOAT, FLOAT(n), DOUBLE PRECISION	Number
INT, INTEGER, SMALLINT	Number
INTERVAL DAY TO SECOND	IntervalDS

**Table 7–2 C++ Object Datatype Mappings for Object Type Attributes (Cont.)**

<b>Object Attribute Types</b>	<b>C++ Mapping</b>
INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH	IntervalYM
Nested Object Type	C++ name of the nested object type
NESTED TABLE	vector<attribute_type>
NUMBER, NUMBER(n), NUMBER(n,n)	Number
NUMERIC, NUMERIC(n), NUMERIC(n,n)	Number
RAW	Bytes
REAL	Number
REF	Ref<attribute_type>
TIMESTAMP, TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE, TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE	Timestamp
VARCHAR(n)	string
VARCHAR2(n)	string
VARRAY	vector<attribute_type>

### OTT Utility Type Mapping Example for C

The example in this section demonstrates the various type mappings created by the OTT utility for a C program.

The example assumes that the following database types are created:

```
CREATE TYPE my_varray AS VARRAY(5) OF integer;

CREATE TYPE object_type AS OBJECT
(object_name VARCHAR2(20));

CREATE TYPE other_type AS OBJECT
(object_number NUMBER);

CREATE TYPE my_table AS TABLE OF object_type;

CREATE TYPE many_types AS OBJECT
( the_varchar VARCHAR2(30),
  the_char CHAR(3),
  the_blob BLOB,
```

```

the_clob      CLOB,
the_object   object_type,
another_ref  REF other_type,
the_ref      REF many_types,
the_varray   my_varray,
the_table    my_table,
the_date     DATE,
the_num      NUMBER,
the_raw      RAW(255);

```

The example also assumes that an `INTYPE` file exists and that it includes the following:

```

CASE = LOWER
TYPE many_types

```

The OTT utility would then generate the following C structures:

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**Note:** Comments are provided here to help explain the structures. These comments are not part of the OTT utility output.

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```

#ifdef MYFILENAME_ORACLE
#define MYFILENAME_ORACLE

#ifdef OCI_ORACLE
#include <oci.h>
#endif

typedef OCISRef many_types_ref;
typedef OCISRef object_type_ref;
typedef OCIArray my_varray;          /* part of many_types */
typedef OCITable my_table;          /* part of many_types*/
typedef OCISRef other_type_ref;
struct object_type                   /* part of many_types */
{
    OCISString * object_name;
};
typedef struct object_type object_type;

struct object_type_ind               /*indicator struct for*/
{
    OCIInd _atomic;                 /*object_types*/

```

```
    OCIInd object_name;
};
typedef struct object_type_ind object_type_ind;

struct many_types
{
    OCIString *      the_varchar;
    OCIString *      the_char;
    OCIBlobLocator * the_blob;
    OCIClobLocator * the_clob;
    struct object_type the_object;
    other_type_ref * another_ref;
    many_types_ref * the_ref;
    my_varray *      the_varray;
    my_table *       the_table;
    OCIDate           the_date;
    OCINumber         the_num;
    OCIRaw *          the_raw;
};
typedef struct many_types many_types;

struct many_types_ind /*indicator struct for*/
{ /*many_types*/
    OCIInd _atomic;
    OCIInd the_varchar;
    OCIInd the_char;
    OCIInd the_blob;
    OCIInd the_clob;
    struct object_type_ind the_object; /*nested*/
    OCIInd another_ref;
    OCIInd the_ref;
    OCIInd the_varray;
    OCIInd the_table;
    OCIInd the_date;
    OCIInd the_num;
    OCIInd the_raw;
};
typedef struct many_types_ind many_types_ind;

#endif
```

Notice that even though only one item was listed for translation in the `INTYPE` file, two object types and two named collection types were translated. This is because the OTT utility parameter [TRANSITIVE Parameter](#), has the default value of `TRUE`.



When `TRANSITIVE=TRUE`, the OTT utility automatically translates any types which are used as attributes of a type being translated, in order to complete the translation of the listed type.

This is not the case for types which are only accessed by a pointer or by reference in an object type attribute. For example, although the `many_types` type contains the attribute `another_ref REF other_type`, a declaration of structure `other_type` was not generated.

This example also illustrates how `typedefs` are used to declare `VARRAY`, `NESTED TABLE`, and `REF` types.

In the preceding example, the `typedefs` occur near the beginning of the file generated by the OTT utility:

```
typedef OCISRef many_types_ref;
typedef OCISRef object_type_ref;
typedef OCIArray my_varray;
typedef OCITable my_table;
typedef OCISRef other_type_ref;
```

In the structure `many_types`, the `VARRAY`, `NESTED TABLE`, and `REF` attributes are declared:

```
struct many_types
{
    ...
    other_type_ref *   another_ref;
    many_types_ref *  the_ref;
    my_varray *       the_varray;
    my_table *        the_table;
    ...
}
```

## OTT Type Mapping Example for C++

The following is an example of the OTT type mappings for C++, given the types created in the example in the previous section, and an `INTYPE` file that includes the following:

```
CASE = LOWER
TYPE many_types
```

The OTT utility generates the following C++ class declarations:

```

#ifndef MYFILENAME_ORACLE
# define MYFILENAME_ORACLE

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

/*****
// generated declarations for the OBJECT_TYPE object type.
*****/

class object_type : public oracle::occi::PObject {
protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string object_name;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    object_type();

    object_type(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

/*****
// generated declarations for the OTHER_TYPE object type.
*****/

```

```

class other_type : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    oracle::occi::Number object_number;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    other_type();

    other_type(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

/*****/
// generated declarations for the MANY_TYPES object type.
/*****/

class many_types : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string the_varchar;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string the_char;
    oracle::occi::Blob the_blob;
    oracle::occi::Clob the_clob;
    object_type * the_object;
    oracle::occi::Ref< other_type > another_ref;
    oracle::occi::Ref< many_types > the_ref;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Number > the_varray;

```

```
OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< object_type * > the_table;
oracle::occi::Date the_date;
oracle::occi::Number the_num;
oracle::occi::Bytes the_raw;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    many_types();

    many_types(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

#endif
```

For C++, when `TRANSITIVE=TRUE`, the OTT utility automatically translates any types that are used as attributes of a type being translated, including types that are only being accessed by a pointer or `REF` in an object type attribute. Even though only the `many_types` object was specified in the `INTYPE` file for the C++ example, a class declaration was generated for all the object types, including the `other_type` object, which was only accessed by a `REF` in the `many_types` object.

## Overview of the OUTTYPE File

The `OUTTYPE` file is named on the OTT command line. When the OTT utility generates a C or C++ header file, it also writes the results of the translation into the `OUTTYPE` file. This file contains an entry for each of the translated types, including

its version string and the header file to which its C or C++ representation was written.

The OUTTYPE file from one OTT utility run can be used as the INTYPE file for a subsequent invocation of the OTT utility.

For example, consider the following simple INTYPE file used earlier in this chapter:

```
CASE=LOWER
TYPE employee
    TRANSLATE SALARY$ AS salary
        DEPTNO AS department
TYPE ADDRESS
TYPE item
TYPE "Person"
TYPE PURCHASE_ORDER AS p_o
```

In this INTYPE file, the programmer specifies the case for OTT-generated C identifiers, and provides a list of types that should be translated. In two of these types, naming conventions are specified.

The following example shows what the OUTTYPE file looks like after running the OTT utility:

```
CASE = LOWER
TYPE EMPLOYEE AS employee
    VERSION = "$8.0"
    HFILE = demo.h
    TRANSLATE SALARY$ AS salary
        DEPTNO AS department
TYPE ADDRESS AS ADDRESS
    VERSION = "$8.0"
    HFILE = demo.h
TYPE ITEM AS item
    VERSION = "$8.0"
    HFILE = demo.h
TYPE "Person" AS Person
    VERSION = "$8.0"
    HFILE = demo.h
TYPE PURCHASE_ORDER AS p_o
    VERSION = "$8.0"
    HFILE = demo.h
```

When examining the contents of the OUTTYPE file, you might discover types listed that were not included in the INTYPE file specification. For example, consider the

case where the `INTYPE` file only specified that the `person` type was to be translated:

```
CASE = LOWER
TYPE PERSON
```

If the definition of the `person` type includes an attribute of type `address`, then the `OUTTYPE` file includes entries for both `PERSON` and `ADDRESS`. The `person` type cannot be translated completely without first translating `address`.

The OTT utility analyzes the types in the `INTYPE` file for type dependencies before performing the translation, and translates other types as necessary.

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**Note:** As of release 1 (9.0.1), you may indicate whether the OTT utility is to generate required object types that are not specified in the `INTYPE` file. Set `TRANSITIVE=FALSE` so the OTT utility will not to generate required object types. The default is `TRANSITIVE=TRUE`.

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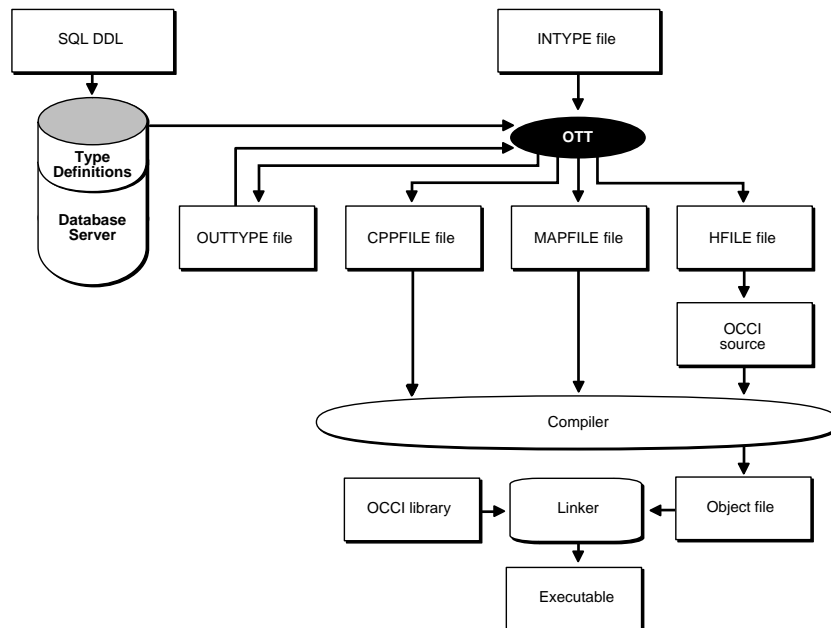
**See Also:** ["Invoking the OTT Utility"](#) on page 7-10 for details on these parameters.

## The OTT Utility and OCCl Applications

The OTT utility generates objects and maps SQL datatypes to C++ classes. The OTT utility also implements a few methods called by OCCl when instantiating objects and a function that is called in the OCCl application to register the mappings with the environment. These declarations are stored in a header file that you include (`#include`) in your OCCl application. The prototype for the function that registers the mappings is written to a separate header file that you also include in your OCCl application. The method implementations are stored in a C++ source code file (with extension `.cpp`) that is linked with the OCCl application. The function that registers the mappings is stored in a separate C++ (`.cpp`) file that is also linked with the application.

[Figure 7-1](#) shows the steps involved in using the OTT utility with OCCl. These steps are described following the figure.

Figure 7-1 The OTT Utility with OCCI



1. Create the type definitions in the database by using the SQL DDL.
2. Create the `INTYPE` file that contains the database types to be translated by the OTT utility.
3. Specify that C++ should be generated and invoke the OTT utility.

The OTT utility then generates the following files:

- A header file (with the extension `.h`) that contains C++ class representations of object types. The filename is specified on the OTT command line by the `HFILE` parameter.
- A header file containing the prototype of the function (`MAPFUNC`) that registers the mappings.
- A C++ source file (with the extension `.cpp`) that contains the static methods to be called by OCCI while instantiating the objects. Do not call these methods directly from your OCCI application. The filename is specified on the OTT command line by the `CPPFILE` parameter.

- A file that contains the function used to register the mappings with the environment (with the extension `.cpp`). The filename is specified on the OTT command line by the `MAPFILE` parameter.
  - A file (the `OUTTYPE` file) that contains an entry for each of the translated types, including the version string and the file into which it is written. The filename is specified on the OTT command line by the `OUTTYPE` parameter.
4. Write the OCCI application and include the header files created by the OTT utility in the OCCI source code file.

The application declares an environment and calls the function `MAPFUNC` to register the mappings.
  5. Compile the OCCI application to create the OCCI object code, and link the object code with the OCCI libraries to create the program executable.

## OTT Utility Parameters for C++

To generate C++ using the OTT utility, the `CODE` parameter must be set to `CODE=CPP`. Once `CODE=CPP` is specified, you are required to specify the `CPPFILE` and `MAPFILE` parameters to define the filenames for the method implementation file and the mappings registration function file. The name of the mapping function is derived by the OTT utility from the `MAPFILE` or you may specify the name with the `MAPFUNC` parameter. `ATTRACCESS` is also an optional parameter that can be specified to change the generated code.

The following parameters are specific to C++ only and control the generation of C++ classes:

- `CPPFILE`
- `MAPFILE`
- `MAPFUNC`
- `ATTRACCESS`

**See Also:** ["OTT Utility Parameters"](#) on page 7-118 for details on these parameters.

## OTT-Generated C++ Classes

When the OTT utility generates a C++ class from a database object type, the class declaration contains one element corresponding to each attribute of the object type.



The datatypes of the attribute are mapped to types that are used in Oracle object datatypes, as defined in [Table 7-2](#) on page 7-19.

For each class, two new operators, a `getSQLTypeName` method, two constructors, two `readSQL` methods and two `writeSQL` methods are generated. The `getSQLTypeName` method, the constructor, the `readSQL` and `writeSQL` methods are called by OCCI while unmarshalling and marshalling the object data.

By default, the OTT-generated C++ class for an object type is derived from the `PObject` class and so the generated constructor in the class also derives from the `PObject` class. For inherited database types, the class is derived from the parent type class as is the generated constructor and only the elements corresponding to attributes not already in the parent class are included.

Class declarations that include the elements corresponding to the database type attributes and the method declarations are included in the header file generated by the OTT utility. The method implementations are included in the `CPPFILE` file generated by the OTT utility.

The following is an example of the C++ classes generated by the OTT utility as a result of this series of steps:

### 1. Define the types:

```
CREATE TYPE FULL_NAME AS OBJECT (first_name CHAR(20), last_name CHAR(20));
CREATE TYPE ADDRESS AS OBJECT (state CHAR(20), zip CHAR(20));
CREATE TYPE ADDRESS_TAB AS VARRAY(3) OF REF ADDRESS;
CREATE TYPE PERSON AS OBJECT (id NUMBER, name FULL_NAME, curr_addr REF ADDRESS,
    prev_addr_l ADDRESS_TAB) NOT FINAL;
CREATE TYPE STUDENT UNDER PERSON (school_name CHAR(20));
```

### 2. Provide an INTYPE file:

```
CASE = SAME
MAPFILE = RegisterMappings_3.cpp
TYPE FULL_NAME AS FullName
    TRANSLATE first_name as FirstName
            last_name as LastName
TYPE ADDRESS
TYPE PERSON
TYPE STUDENT
```

### 3. Invoke the OTT utility:

```
ott userid=scott/tiger intype=demo_in_3.typ outtype=demo_out_3.typ code=cpp
hfile=demo_3.h cppfile=demo_3.cpp
```

This example produces a header file named `demo_3.h`, a C++ source file named `demo_3.cpp`, and an OUTTYPE file named `demoout_3.typ`. These files generated by the OTT utility are displayed in the following sections:

- [Example of a Header File Generated by the OTT Utility: demo\\_3.h](#)
- [Example of a C++ Source File Generated by the OTT Utility: demo\\_3.cpp](#)
- [Example of an OUTTYPE File Generated by the OTT Utility: demoout\\_3.typ](#)

### Example of a Header File Generated by the OTT Utility: demo\_3.h

This section contains the header file generated by the OTT utility (named `demo_3.h`) based on information contained in the previous section.

```
#ifndef DEMO_3_ORACLE
# define DEMO_3_ORACLE

#endif OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

/*****
// generated declarations for the FULL_NAME object type.
*****/

class FullName : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string FirstName;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string LastName;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    FullName();

    FullName(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };
};
```

```

static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

/*****
// generated declarations for the ADDRESS object type.
*****/

class ADDRESS : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string STATE;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string ZIP;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    ADDRESS();

    ADDRESS(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

```

```

/*****
// generated declarations for the PERSON object type.
*****/

class PERSON : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    oracle::occi::Number ID;
    FullName * NAME;
    oracle::occi::Ref< ADDRESS > CURR_ADDR;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< ADDRESS > > PREV_ADDR_L;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    PERSON();

    PERSON(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

/*****
// generated declarations for the STUDENT object type.
*****/

class STUDENT : public PERSON {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string SCHOOL_NAME;

```

```

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    STUDENT();

    STUDENT(void *ctxOCCI_) : PERSON (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

#endif

```

### Example of a C++ Source File Generated by the OTT Utility: demo\_3.cpp

This section contains the C++ source file generated by the OTT utility (named demo\_3.cpp) based on information contained in the previous section.

```

#ifndef DEMO_3_ORACLE
# include "demo_3.h"
#endif

/*****
// generated method implementations for the FULL_NAME object type.
*****/

void *FullName::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

```

```
void *FullName::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.FULL_NAME");
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string FullName::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.FULL_NAME");
}

FullName::FullName()
{
}

void *FullName::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    FullName *objOCCI_ = new FullName(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_->setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void FullName::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    FirstName = streamOCCI_.getString();
    LastName = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

void FullName::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
```

```

{
    FullName *objOCCI_ = (FullName *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_>isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void FullName::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setString(FirstName);
    streamOCCI_.setString(LastName);
}

/*****
// generated method implementations for the ADDRESS object type.
*****/

void *ADDRESS::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *ADDRESS::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.ADDRESS");
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string ADDRESS::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.ADDRESS");
}

```

```
ADDRESS::ADDRESS()
{
}

void *ADDRESS::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    ADDRESS *objOCCI_ = new ADDRESS(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_->setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void ADDRESS::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    STATE = streamOCCI_.getString();
    ZIP = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

void ADDRESS::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    ADDRESS *objOCCI_ = (ADDRESS *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_->isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {

```



```

        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void ADDRESS::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setString(STATE);
    streamOCCI_.setString(ZIP);
}

/*****
// generated method implementations for the PERSON object type.
*****/

void *PERSON::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *PERSON::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCl_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.PERSON");
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string PERSON::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCl_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.PERSON");
}

PERSON::PERSON()
{
    NAME = (FullName *) 0;
}

void *PERSON::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    PERSON *objOCCI_ = new PERSON(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())

```

```
        objOCCI_>setNull();
    else
        objOCCI_>readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
{
    delete objOCCI_;
    excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    return (void *)NULL;
}
return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void PERSON::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    ID = streamOCCI_.getNumber();
    NAME = (FullName *) streamOCCI_.getObject();
    CURR_ADDR = streamOCCI_.getRef();
    getVector(streamOCCI_, PREV_ADDR_L);
}

void PERSON::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    PERSON *objOCCI_ = (PERSON *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_>isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
{
    excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
}
return;
}

void PERSON::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setNumber(ID);
    streamOCCI_.setObject(NAME);
    streamOCCI_.setRef(CURR_ADDR);
}
```

```

        setVector(streamOCCI_, PREV_ADDR_L);
    }

/*****
// generated method implementations for the STUDENT object type.
*****/

void *STUDENT::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *STUDENT::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.STUDENT");
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string STUDENT::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.STUDENT");
}

STUDENT::STUDENT()
{
}

void *STUDENT::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    STUDENT *objOCCI_ = new STUDENT(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_->setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
}

```

```
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void STUDENT::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    PERSON::readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    SCHOOL_NAME = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

void STUDENT::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    STUDENT *objOCCI_ = (STUDENT *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_->isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void STUDENT::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    PERSON::writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    streamOCCI_.setString(SCHOOL_NAME);
}
```

### Example of an OUTTYPE File Generated by the OTT Utility: demoout\_3.typ

This section contains the OUTTYPE file generated by the OTT utility (named demoout\_3.typ) based on information contained in the previous section:

```
CASE = SAME
MAPFILE = RegisterMappings_3.cpp
MAPFUNC = RegisterMappings
```

```

TYPE SCOTT.FULL_NAME AS FullName
    VERSION = "$8.0"
    HFILE = demo_3.h
TRANSLATE FIRST_NAME AS FirstName
    LAST_NAME AS LastName

```

```

TYPE SCOTT.ADDRESS AS ADDRESS
    VERSION = "$8.0"
    HFILE = demo_3.h

```

```

TYPE SCOTT.PERSON AS PERSON
    VERSION = "$8.0"
    HFILE = demo_3.h

```

```

TYPE SCOTT.STUDENT AS STUDENT
    VERSION = "$8.0"
    HFILE = demo_3.h

```

### Example with ATTRACCESS=PRIVATE

To demonstrate the difference in generated code when ATTRACCESS=PRIVATE, consider an INTYPE file that contains:

```

CASE = SAME
TYPE PERSON

```

The OTT utility generates the following header file:

```

#ifndef DEMO_4_ORACLE
# define DEMO_4_ORACLE

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

```

```

/*****
// generated declarations for the FULL_NAME object type.

```

```

/*****/

class FULL_NAME : public oracle::occi::PObject {

private:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string FIRST_NAME;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string LAST_NAME;

public:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getFirst_name() const;

    void setFirst_name(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getLast_name() const;

    void setLast_name(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value);

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    FULL_NAME();

```

```
FULL_NAME(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) {};  
  
static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);  
  
virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);  
  
static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);  
  
virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);  
  
};  
  
/*****/  
// generated declarations for the ADDRESS object type.  
/*****/  
  
class ADDRESS : public oracle::occi::PObject {  
  
private:  
  
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string STATE;  
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string ZIP;  
  
public:  
  
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getState() const;  
  
    void setState(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value);
```

```
OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getZip() const;

void setZip(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value);

void *operator new(size_t size);

void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

ADDRESS();

ADDRESS(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

/*****
// generated declarations for the PERSON object type.
```



```

/*****/

class PERSON : public oracle::occi::PObject {

private:

    oracle::occi::Number ID;
    FULL_NAME * NAME;
    oracle::occi::Ref< ADDRESS > CURR_ADDR;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< ADDRESS > > PREV_
ADDR_L;

public:

    oracle::occi::Number getId() const;

    void setId(const oracle::occi::Number &value);

    FULL_NAME * getName() const;

    void setName(FULL_NAME * value);

    oracle::occi::Ref< ADDRESS > getCurr_addr() const;

    void setCurr_addr(const oracle::occi::Ref< ADDRESS > &value);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< ADDRESS > >& getPrev_
addr_l();

```

```
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< ADDRESS > >&
    getPrev_addr_1() const;

    void setPrev_addr_1(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref<
    ADDRESS > > &value);

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    PERSON();

    PERSON(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};
```

```
#endif
```

Since `ATTRACCESS=PRIVATE`, the access given to the attributes is `private` and the accessor (`getxxx`) and the mutator (`setxxx`) methods are generated for each of the attributes.

## Map Registry Function

One function to register the mappings with the environment is generated by the OTT utility. The function contains the mappings for all the types translated by the invocation of the OTT utility. The function name is either specified in the `MAPFUNC` parameter or, if that parameter is not specified, derived from `MAPFILE` parameter. The only argument to the function is the pointer to `Environment`.

The function uses the provided `Environment` to get `Map` and then registers the mapping of each translated type.

Given the database type and `INTYPE` file listed in the previous section, and specifying `MAPFILE=RegisterMappings_3.cpp`, the map registering function generated takes the following form:

```
#ifndef REGISTERMAPPINGS_3_ORACLE
# include "registermappings_3.h"
#endif

void RegisterMappings_3(oracle::occi::Environment* envOCCI_)
{
    oracle::occi::Map *mapOCCI_ = envOCCI_->getMap();
    mapOCCI_->put("SCOTT.FULL_NAME", FullName::readSQL,
FullName::writeSQL);
    mapOCCI_->put("SCOTT.ADDRESS", ADDRESS::readSQL, ADDRESS::writeSQL);
    mapOCCI_->put("SCOTT.PERSON", PERSON::readSQL, PERSON::writeSQL);
    mapOCCI_->put("SCOTT.STUDENT", STUDENT::readSQL,
STUDENT::writeSQL);
}
```

The prototype of the register mapping function is written to a corresponding header file, `RegisterMapping.h`, and looks like the following:

```
#ifndef REGISTERMAPPINGS_3_ORACLE
# define REGISTERMAPPINGS_3_ORACLE

#ifdef OCCl_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

#ifdef DEMO_3_ORACLE
# include "demo_3.h"
#endif

void RegisterMappings_3(oracle::occi::Environment* envOCCI_);

#endif
```

## Extending OTT C++ Classes

To enhance the functionality of a class generated by the OTT utility, you can derive new classes. You can also add methods to a class, but Oracle does not recommend doing so due to an inherent risk.

**See Also:** ["Carrying Forward User Added Code"](#) on page 7-62 for details on how to use OTT markers to retain code you want to add in OTT generated files.

For an example of deriving a new class from an OTT-generated class, assume you want to generate the class `CAddress` from the SQL object type `ADDRESS`. Assume also that you want to write a class `MyAddress` to represent `ADDRESS` objects. The `MyAddress` class can be derived from `CAddress`.

To perform this, the OTT utility must alter the code it generates:

- By using the `MyAddress` class instead of the `CAddress` class to represent attributes whose database type is `ADDRESS`
- By using the `MyAddress` class instead of the `CAddress` class to represent vector and `REF` elements whose database type is `ADDRESS`

- By using the `MyAddress` class instead of the `CAddress` class as the base class for database object types that are inherited from `ADDRESS`. Even though a derived class is a subtype of `MyAddress`, the `readSQL` and `writeSQL` methods called are those of the `CAddress` class.

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**Note:** When a class is both extended and used as a base class for another generated class, the *inheriting* type class and the *inherited* type class must be generated in separate files.

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To use the OTT utility to generate the `CAddress` class (that you derive the `MyAddress` class from), the following clause must be specified in the `TYPE` statement:

```
TYPE ADDRESS GENERATE CAdress AS MyAddress
```

## Example for Extending OTT Classes

Given the database types `FULL_NAME`, `ADDRESS`, `PERSON`, and `PFGRFDENT` as they were created before and changing the `INTYPE` file to include the `GENERATE . . . AS` clause:

```
CASE = SAME
MAPFILE = RegisterMappings_5.cpp

TYPE FULL_NAME GENERATE CFullName AS MyFullName
    TRANSLATE first_name as FirstName
              last_name as LastName

TYPE ADDRESS GENERATE CAddress AS MyAddress
TYPE PERSON GENERATE CPerson AS MyPerson
TYPE STUDENT GENERATE CStudent AS MyStudent
```

The following C++ source file (with the extension `.cpp`) is generated by the OTT utility:

```
#ifndef MYFILENAME_ORACLE
# define MYFILENAME_ORACLE

#endif

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif
```

```

/*****
// generated declarations for the FULL_NAME object type.
*****/

class CFullName : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string FirstName;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string LastName;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    CFullName();

    CFullName(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

/*****
// generated declarations for the ADDRESS object type.
*****/

class CAddress : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string STATE;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string ZIP;

```

```

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    CAddress();

    CAddress(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

/*****/
// generated declarations for the PERSON object type.
//
// Note the type name for the "name" attribute is MyFullName
// and not CFullName, the "curr-addr" attribute is Ref< MyAddress >
// and not Ref< CAddress >, and the "prev_addr_l" attribute is
// vector< Ref< MyAddress > >.
/*****/

class CPerson : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    oracle::occi::Number ID;
    MyFullName * NAME;
    oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > CURR_ADDR;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > > PREV_ADDR_L;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

```

```
void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

CPerson();

CPerson(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

/*****
// generated declarations for the STUDENT object type.
//
// Note the parent class for CStudent is MyPerson and not
// CPerson
*****/

class CStudent : public MyPerson {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string SCHOOL_NAME;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    CStudent();

    CStudent(void *ctxOCCI_) : MyPerson (ctxOCCI_) { };
};
```



```

static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

#endif

```

The method implementations are as follows:

```

#ifndef MYFILENAME_ORACLE
# include "myfilename.h"
#endif

/*****
// generated method implementations for the FULL_NAME object type.
*****/

void *CFullName::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *CFullName::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection *
sess,
const OCCl_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
(char *) "SCOTT.FULL_NAME");
}

OCCl_STD_NAMESPACE::string CFullName::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCl_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.FULL_NAME");
}

CFullName::CFullName()
{

```

```
    }

void *CFullName::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CFullName *objOCCI_ = new CFullName(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_->setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void CFullName::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    FirstName = streamOCCI_.getString();
    LastName = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

void CFullName::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CFullName *objOCCI_ = (CFullName *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_->isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
}
```

```

    return;
}

void CFullName::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setString(FirstName);
    streamOCCI_.setString(LastName);
}

/*****
// generated method implementations for the ADDRESS object type.
*****/

void *CAddress::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *CAddress::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.ADDRESS");
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CAddress::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.ADDRESS");
}

CAddress::CAddress()
{
}

void *CAddress::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CAddress *objOCCI_ = new CAddress(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_->setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
}

```

```
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void CAddress::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    STATE = streamOCCI_.getString();
    ZIP = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

void CAddress::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CAddress *objOCCI_ = (CAddress *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_->isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void CAddress::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setString(STATE);
    streamOCCI_.setString(ZIP);
}

/*****
// generated method implementations for the PERSON object type.
//
// Note the type used in the casting in the readSQL method is
```

```

// MyFullName and not CFullName.
/*****/

void *CPerson::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *CPerson::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCl_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.PERSON");
}

OCCl_STD_NAMESPACE::string CPerson::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCl_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.PERSON");
}

CPerson::CPerson()
{
    NAME = (MyFullName *) 0;
}

void *CPerson::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    {
        CPerson *objOCCI_ = new CPerson(ctxOCCI_);
        oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

        try
        {
            if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
                objOCCI_>setNull();
            else
                objOCCI_>readSQL(streamOCCI_);
        }
        catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
        {
            delete objOCCI_;
            excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
            return (void *)NULL;
        }
        return (void *)objOCCI_;
    }
}

```

```
void CPerson::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    ID = streamOCCI_.getNumber();
    NAME = (MyFullName *) streamOCCI_.getObject();
    CURR_ADDR = streamOCCI_.getRef();
    getVector(streamOCCI_, PREV_ADDR_L);
}

void CPerson::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CPerson *objOCCI_ = (CPerson *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_->isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void CPerson::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setNumber(ID);
    streamOCCI_.setObject(NAME);
    streamOCCI_.setRef(CURR_ADDR);
    setVector(streamOCCI_, PREV_ADDR_L);
}

/*****
// generated method implementations for the STUDENT object type.
//
// Note even though CStudent derives from MyPerson, the readSQL
// and writeSQL methods called are those of CPerson.
*****/

void *CStudent::operator new(size_t size)
{
```

```

    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *CStudent::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.STUDENT");
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CStudent::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.STUDENT");
}

CStudent::CStudent()
{
}

void *CStudent::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CStudent *objOCCI_ = new CStudent(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_>setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void CStudent::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    CPerson::readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    SCHOOL_NAME = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

```

```
void CStudent::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CStudent *objOCCI_ = (CStudent *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_->isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void CStudent::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    CPerson::writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    streamOCCI_.setString(SCHOOL_NAME);
}
```

## Carrying Forward User Added Code

To extend the functionality of OTT generated code, at times programmers may want to add code in the OTT generated file. The way OTT can distinguish between OTT generated code and code added by the user is by looking for some predefined markers (tags). OTT recognizes `OTT_USERCODE_START` as the "start of user code marker", and `OTT_USERCODE_END` as the "end of user code marker".

For OTT marker support, a user block is defined as

```
OTT_USERCODE_START + user added code + OTT_USERCODE_END
```

OTT marker support enables carrying forward the user added blocks across multiple runs of OTT.

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**Note:** To use OTT marker support, you must use JDK version 1.3 or higher.

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## Properties of OTT Markers

Following bullets describe the properties of OTT markers support.

1. User must use the command line option `USE_MARKER=TRUE` from the very first time OTT is invoked to generate a file.
2. User should put the markers like another C++ statement; marker will be defined by OTT in the generated file as follows when the command line option `USE_MARKER=TRUE` is used:

```
#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_START
# define OTT_USERCODE_START
#endif
#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_END
# define OTT_USERCODE_END
#endif
```

3. The markers, `OTT_USERCODE_START` and `OTT_USERCODE_END`, must be preceded and followed by white space.
4. OTT will copy the text/code given within markers verbatim along with the markers while generating the code next time,

User modified code:

```
1 // --- modified generated code
2 OTT_USERCODE_START
3 // --- including "myfullname.h"
4 #ifndef MYFULLNAME_ORACLE
5 # include "myfullname.h"
6 #endif
7 OTT_USERCODE_END
8 // --- end of code addition
```

Carried forward code:

```
1 OTT_USERCODE_START
2 // --- including "myfullname.h"
3 #ifndef MYFULLNAME_ORACLE
4 # include "myfullname.h"
5 #endif
6 OTT_USERCODE_END
```

In the preceding example the 1st and 8th lines of the original code have not been carried forward.

5. OTT will not be able to carry forward user added code properly if the database TYPE or INTYPE file under goes changes as shown in the following cases:

- a. If user modifies the case of the type name, OTT will fail to find out the class name with which the code was associated earlier as the case of the class name got modified by the user in the INTYPE file.

<pre> <b>CASE=UPPER</b> TYPE employee     TRANSLATE SALARY\$ AS salary         DEPTNO AS department TYPE ADDRESS TYPE item TYPE "Person" TYPE PURCHASE_ORDER AS p_o         </pre>	<pre> <b>CASE=LOWER</b> TYPE employee     TRANSLATE SALARY\$ AS salary         DEPTNO AS department TYPE ADDRESS TYPE item TYPE "Person" TYPE PURCHASE_ORDER AS p_o         </pre>
--	--

- b. If user asks to generate the class with different name (GENERATE AS clause of INTYPE file), OTT will fail to find out the class name with which the code was associated earlier as the class name got modified by the user in the INTYPE file.

<pre> CASE=LOWER TYPE employee     TRANSLATE SALARY\$ AS salary         DEPTNO AS department TYPE ADDRESS TYPE item TYPE "Person" <b>TYPE PURCHASE_ORDER AS p_o</b>         </pre>	<pre> CASE=LOWER TYPE employee     TRANSLATE SALARY\$ AS salary         DEPTNO AS department TYPE ADDRESS TYPE item TYPE "Person" <b>TYPE PURCHASE_ORDER AS</b> <b>purchase_order</b>         </pre>
--	--

6. If OTT encounters an error while parsing a .h or .cpp file, it reports the error and leaves the file having error as it is so that the user can go back and correct the error reported, and rerun OTT.

7. OTT will flag an error if

- it does not find a matching OTT\_USERCODE\_END for OTT\_USERCODE\_START encountered
- markers are nested (OTT finds next OTT\_USERCODE\_START before OTT\_USERCODE\_END is found for the previous OTT\_USERCODE\_START)
- OTT\_USERCODE\_END is encountered before OTT\_USERCODE\_START

## Where the Markers Can Be Used

To use OTT markers user must use command line option `USE_MARKER=TRUE`, to inform OTT that use of marker should be supported, while invoking OTT. User can use OTT markers as described later to carry forward user added code.

1. **User code added in .h file.**
  - a. **User code added in global scope.** This is typically the case when user needs to include different header files, forward declaration, and so on. Refer to the code example provided later.
  - b. **User code added in class declaration.** At any point of time OTT generated class declaration will have private scope for data members and public scope for methods, or protected scope for data members and public scope for methods. User blocks can be added after all OTT generated declarations in either access specifiers.

The following code example demonstrates where user code can be added in a .h file:

```
#ifndef ...
# define ...

#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_START
# define OTT_USERCODE_START
#endif
#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_END
# define OTT_USERCODE_END
#endif

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

OTT_USERCODE_START    // user added code
...
OTT_USERCODE_END

#ifndef ...           // OTT generated include
# include " ... "
#endif

OTT_USERCODE_START    // user added code
...
OTT_USERCODE_END
```

```
class <class_name_1> : public oracle::occi::PObject {
protected:
    // OTT generated data members
    ...

    OTT_USERCODE_START    // user added code
    ...                  // data member / method declaration /
    ...                  // inline method definition
    OTT_USERCODE_END

public:
    void *operator new(size_t size);
    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);
    void *operator new(size_t, void *ctxOCCI_);
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;
    ...

    OTT_USERCODE_START    // user added code
    ...                  // data member / method declaration /
    ...                  // inline method definition
    OTT_USERCODE_END
};

OTT_USERCODE_START    // user added code
...
OTT_USERCODE_END

class <class_name_2> : public oracle::occi::PObject {
    ...
    ...
};

OTT_USERCODE_START    // user added code
...
OTT_USERCODE_END

#endif                // end of .h file
```

- 2. User code added in .cpp file.** OTT will support adding a new user defined method within OTT markers. The user block must be added at the beginning of the file, just after the includes and before the definition of OTT generated methods. If there are more than one OTT generated includes, user code can also

be added between OTT generated includes. User code added in any other part of a .cpp file will not be carried forward.

The following code example demonstrates where user code can be added in a .cpp file:

```

#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_START
# define OTT_USERCODE_START
#endif

#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_END
# define OTT_USERCODE_END
#endif

#ifndef ...
# include " ... "
#endif

OTT_USERCODE_START    // user added code
...
...
OTT_USERCODE_END

#ifndef ...
# include " ... "
#endif

OTT_USERCODE_START    // user added code
...
...
OTT_USERCODE_END

/*****
// generated method implementations for the ... object type.
*****/

void *<class_name_1>::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

...

// end of .cpp file

```

## Code Samples Showing How To Use OTT Markers

Here is an example to demonstrate how OTT markers can be used to solve the problem introduced by a particular use of `GENERATE AS` clause.

In this example, because of the use of `GENERATE AS` clause, `FULL_NAME_O` was generated as `FullName`, which was intended to be a user extended class. Since `FullName` is an attribute of `PERSON_O` class, compiler will flag an error if it does not find the class declaration for `FullName`.

With marker support user now can add the header file where needed, or a forward declaration, or a class declaration and be assured of getting the user added block carried forward across runs of OTT.

In this example class declaration of `FullName` is put in `mdemo1.h` file.

Command line to invoke OTT:

```
ott case=same userid=scott/tiger code=cpp intype=mdemo1.typ
hfile=mdemo1.h cppfile=mdemo1o.cpp use_marker=true
```

The build command:

```
make -f demo_rdbms.mk mdemo1
```

Following are the files used for this demo program:

- [mdemo1.sql](#) on page 7-68 is the SQLs to create type, tables, and so on
- [mdemo1.typ](#) on page 7-69 is the INTYPE file
- [mdemo1.h](#) on page 7-69 is the OTT generated header file with user added code
- [mdemo1o.cpp](#) on page 7-73 is the OTT generated .cpp file with user added code
- [mdemo1m.cpp](#) on page 7-81 is the OTT generated map file
- [mdemo1m.h](#) on page 7-81 is the OTT generated header file for map file
- [mymdemo1.h](#) on page 7-82 is the user defined header file
- [mdemo1.cpp](#) on page 7-82 is the user defined main program

### **mdemo1.sql**

```
// -----
// mdemo1.sql : SQLs to create type, tables, and so on.
// -----
connect scott/tiger;
```

```

DROP TABLE PERSON_TAB;
DROP TABLE ADDR_TAB;
DROP TYPE PERSON_O;
DROP TYPE ADDRESS_O;
DROP TYPE FULL_NAME_O;

CREATE TYPE ADDRESS_O AS OBJECT (
    "state" CHAR(20),
    "zip" CHAR(20)
)
/
CREATE TABLE ADDR_TAB OF ADDRESS_O;

CREATE TYPE FULL_NAME_O AS OBJECT (
    "first_name" CHAR(20),
    "last_name" CHAR(20)
)
/
CREATE TYPE PERSON_O AS OBJECT (
    "id" integer,
    "name" FULL_NAME_O,
    "addr" REF ADDRESS_O
)
/
CREATE TABLE PERSON_TAB OF PERSON_O;

QUIT;

```

### mdemo1.typ

```

// -----
// mdemo1.typ : INTYPE file
// -----
CASE=SAME
MAPFILE=mdemo1m.cpp
TYPE FULL_NAME_O
    GENERATE FULL_NAME_O AS FullName
TYPE ADDRESS_O
TYPE PERSON_O
    GENERATE PERSON_O AS Person

```

### mdemo1.h

```

// -----
// mdemo1.h : OTT generated header file with user addeed code

```

```

// -----
#ifndef MDEM01_ORACLE
# define MDEM01_ORACLE

#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_START
# define OTT_USERCODE_START
#endif

#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_END
# define OTT_USERCODE_END
#endif

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

OTT_USERCODE_START
#include "mydemol.h"

OTT_USERCODE_END

/*****
// generated declarations for the ADDRESS_O object type.
*****/

class ADDRESS_O : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string state;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string zip;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    void *operator new(size_t, void *ctxOCCI_);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    ADDRESS_O();

```



```

ADDRESS_O(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

OTT_USERCODE_START

    ADDRESS_O(string state_i, string zip_i);
    void displayInfo();

OTT_USERCODE_END

};

/*****
// generated declarations for the FULL_NAME_O object type.
*****/

class FULL_NAME_O : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string first_name;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string last_name;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    void *operator new(size_t, void *ctxOCCI_);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    FULL_NAME_O();

    FULL_NAME_O(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

```

```

        static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

        virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

        static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

        virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

OTT_USERCODE_START

class FullName : public FULL_NAME_O {
public:
    FullName(string FirstName, string LastName);

    void displayInfo();
    const string getFirstName() const { return first_name;}
} ;

OTT_USERCODE_END

/*****
// generated declarations for the PERSON_O object type.
*****/

class PERSON_O : public oracle::occi::PObject {

protected:

    oracle::occi::Number id;
    FullName * name;
    oracle::occi::Ref< ADDRESS_O > addr;

public:

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    void *operator new(size_t, void *ctxOCCI_);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

```

```

PERSON_O();

PERSON_O(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

OTT_USERCODE_START

class Person : public PERSON_O {
public:
    Person(int id_i,
           FullName* name_i,
           Ref<ADDRESS_O>& addr_i);
    void move(const Ref<ADDRESS_O>& new_addr);
    void displayInfo();
};

OTT_USERCODE_END

#endif

```

### **mdemo1o.cpp**

```

// -----
// mdemo1o.cpp : OTT generated .cpp file with user added code
// -----
#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_START
#define OTT_USERCODE_START
#endif

#ifndef OTT_USERCODE_END
#define OTT_USERCODE_END
#endif

#ifndef MDEMO1_ORACLE
#include "mdemo1.h"

```

```
#endif

OTT_USERCODE_START

// initialize FullName
FullName::FullName(string FirstName, string LastName)
{
    first_name = FirstName;
    last_name = LastName;
}

// display all the information in FullName
void FullName::displayInfo()
{
    cout << "FIRST NAME is " << first_name << endl;
    cout << "LAST NAME is " << last_name << endl;
}

// initialize ADDRESS_O
ADDRESS_O::ADDRESS_O(string state_i, string zip_i)
{
    state = state_i;
    zip = zip_i;
}

// display all the information in ADDRESS_O
void ADDRESS_O::displayInfo()
{
    cout << "STATE is " << state << endl;
    cout << "ZIP is " << zip << endl;
}

// initialize Person
Person::Person(int id_i,
               FullName *name_i,
               Ref<ADDRESS_O>& addr_i)
{
    id = id_i;
    name = name_i;
    addr =addr_i ;
}

// Move Person from curr_addr to new_addr
void Person::move(const Ref<ADDRESS_O>& new_addr)
{

```

```

        addr = new_addr;
        this->markModified(); // mark the object as dirty
    }

    // Display all the information of Person
    void Person::displayInfo() {
        cout << "ID is " << (int)id << endl;
        name->displayInfo();

        // de-referencing the Ref attribute using -> operator
        addr->displayInfo();
    }
}

OTT_USERCODE_END

/*****
// generated method implementations for the ADDRESS_O object type.
*****/

void *ADDRESS_O::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *ADDRESS_O::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection *
sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "MDEM01.ADDRESS_O");
}

void *ADDRESS_O::operator new(size_t size, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, ctxOCCI_);
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string ADDRESS_O::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("MDEM01.ADDRESS_O");
}

ADDRESS_O::ADDRESS_O()

```

```
{
}

void *ADDRESS_O::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    ADDRESS_O *objOCCI_ = new(ctxOCCI_) ADDRESS_O(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_->setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void ADDRESS_O::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    state = streamOCCI_.getString();
    zip = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

void ADDRESS_O::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    ADDRESS_O *objOCCI_ = (ADDRESS_O *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_->isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
}
```

```

    }
    return;
}

void ADDRESS_O::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setString(state);
    streamOCCI_.setString(zip);
}

/*****
// generated method implementations for the FULL_NAME_O object type.
*****/

void *FULL_NAME_O::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *FULL_NAME_O::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection *
sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "MDEM01.FULL_NAME_O");
}

void *FULL_NAME_O::operator new(size_t size, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, ctxOCCI_);
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string FULL_NAME_O::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("MDEM01.FULL_NAME_O");
}

FULL_NAME_O::FULL_NAME_O()
{
}

void *FULL_NAME_O::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    FULL_NAME_O *objOCCI_ = new(ctxOCCI_) FULL_NAME_O(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);
}

```

```
try
{
    if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
        objOCCI_>setNull();
    else
        objOCCI_>readSQL(streamOCCI_);
}
catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
{
    delete objOCCI_;
    excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    return (void *)NULL;
}
return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void FULL_NAME_O::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    first_name = streamOCCI_.getString();
    last_name = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

void FULL_NAME_O::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    FULL_NAME_O *objOCCI_ = (FULL_NAME_O *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_>isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void FULL_NAME_O::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setString(first_name);
}
```



```

        streamOCCI_.setString(last_name);
    }

    /*****
    //  generated method implementations for the PERSON_O object type.
    *****/

void *PERSON_O::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *PERSON_O::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection *
sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "MDEM01.PERSON_O");
}

void *PERSON_O::operator new(size_t size, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, ctxOCCI_);
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string PERSON_O::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("MDEM01.PERSON_O");
}

PERSON_O::PERSON_O()
{
    name = (FullName *) 0;
}

void *PERSON_O::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    PERSON_O *objOCCI_ = new(ctxOCCI_) PERSON_O(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_->setNull();
        else

```

```
        objOCCI_>readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void PERSON_O::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    id = streamOCCI_.getNumber();
    name = (FullName *) streamOCCI_.getObject();
    addr = streamOCCI_.getRef();
}

void PERSON_O::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    PERSON_O *objOCCI_ = (PERSON_O *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_>isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void PERSON_O::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setNumber(id);
    streamOCCI_.setObject(name);
    streamOCCI_.setRef(addr);
}
```

## mdemo1m.cpp

```
// -----  
// mdemo1m.cpp: OTT generated map file  
// -----  
#ifndef MDEMO1M_ORACLE  
# include "mdemo1m.h"  
#endif  
  
void mdemo1m(oracle::occi::Environment* envOCCI_)  
{  
    oracle::occi::Map *mapOCCI_ = envOCCI_->getMap();  
    mapOCCI_->put("MDEMO1.ADDRESS_O", ADDRESS_O::readSQL, ADDRESS_O::writeSQL);  
    mapOCCI_->put("MDEMO1.FULL_NAME_O", FULL_NAME_O::readSQL, FULL_NAME_  
O::writeSQL);  
    mapOCCI_->put("MDEMO1.PERSON_O", PERSON_O::readSQL, PERSON_O::writeSQL);  
}
```

## mdemo1m.h

```
// -----  
// mdemo1m.h : OTT generated header file for map file  
// -----  
#ifndef MDEMO1M_ORACLE  
# define MDEMO1M_ORACLE  
  
#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE  
# include <occi.h>  
#endif  
  
#ifndef MDEMO1_ORACLE  
# include "mdemo1.h"  
#endif  
  
void mdemo1m(oracle::occi::Environment* envOCCI_);  
  
#endif
```

### **mymdemo1.h**

```
// -----  
// mydemo1.h : User defined header file  
// -----  
#include <iostream>  
  
#define USERNAME "scott"  
#define PASSWORD "tiger"  
  
using namespace oracle::occi;  
using namespace std;
```

### **mdemo1.cpp**

```
// -----  
// mdemo1.cpp : User defined main program  
// -----  
#include "mdemo1.h"  
#include "mdemo1m.h"  
  
// global Oracle variables  
  
Environment      *env;  
Connection       *conn;  
Statement        *stmt;  
ResultSet        *rs;  
  
void initialize() {  
  
    // Create environment  
    env = Environment::createEnvironment(Environment::OBJECT);  
  
    // Call the OTT generated function to register the mappings  
    mdemo1m(env);  
  
    // Create Connection  
    conn = env->createConnection( USERNAME, PASSWORD );  
  
    // Create a statement  
    stmt = conn->createStatement();  
}  
  
void terminate() {  
  
    // Terminate statement
```

```

conn->terminateStatement(stmt);

// Terminate connection
env->terminateConnection(conn);

// Terminate environment
Environment::terminateEnvironment(env);
}

/* Do the work.
   The environment is set up.
   A single new entry is created in the Address table.
   Then it is committed.
*/
void dowrite() {

    // Create an Address
    ADDRESS_O *addr1 = new(conn, "ADDR_TAB") ADDRESS_O("GE", "1211");
    Ref<ADDRESS_O> addr1_ref = (Ref<ADDRESS_O>) addr1->getRef();

    // Create joe black
    FullName *name1= new FullName("Joe", "Black");

    Person *person1 =
        new(conn, "PERSON_TAB") Person(1,name1,addr1_ref);
    Ref<Person> person1_ref = (Ref<Person>) person1->getRef();

    // Display, using reference
    cout<<"-----"<<endl;
    person1_ref->displayInfo();
    cout<<"-----"<<endl;

    // Commit the changes
    conn->commit();

    // Clean up
    delete name1;
}

void doread()
{
    // Retrieve joe black
    string sel_joe = "SELECT REF(p) from person_tab p where \"id\" = 1";

    rs =stmt->executeQuery (sel_joe);
}

```

```
rs =stmt->getResultSet ();

// Get reference
rs->next();
Ref<Person> joe_ref = (Ref<Person>) rs->getRef(1);

// Display, using reference
cout<<"-----"<<endl;
joe_ref->displayInfo();
cout<<"-----"<<endl;

}

int main() {

    try {
        initialize();
        dowrite();
        doread();
        terminate();
    }
    catch (SQLException &e) {
        cout << "SQL exception :" << e.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

### Output of the program

```
-----
ID is 1
FIRST NAME is Joe
LAST NAME is Black
STATE is GE
ZIP is 1211
-----
-----
ID is 1
FIRST NAME is Joe
LAST NAME is Black
STATE is GE
ZIP is 1211
-----
```

## Example OCCI Application

This OCCI application example extends the OTT-generated C++ classes and translates inherited object types. Each class in this application contains a constructor to initialize class objects and a method to display the values assigned to the attributes of the object. The `MyPerson` class also has a method to change the `curr_addr` attribute. All the classes here are derived from the generated classes.

Create the needed types and tables for the OCCI application as illustrated in the following code example:

```
connect scott/tiger
create type full_name as object (first_name char(20), last_name char(20));
create type address as object (state char(20), zip char(20));
create type address_tab as varray(3) of ref address;
create type person as object (id number, name full_name,
    curr_addr ref address, prev_addr_l address_tab) not final;
create type student under person (school_name char(20));

/* tables needed in the user-written occi application */
create table addr_tab of address;
create table person_tab of person;
create table student_tab of student;
```

The `INTYPE` file provided to the OTT utility contains the following information:

CASE = SAME

MAPFILE = registerMappings.cpp

TYPE FULL\_NAME GENERATE CFullName AS MyFullName

HFILE=cfullname.h

CPPFILE=cfullname.cpp

TRANSLATE first\_name as FirstName

last\_name as LastName

TYPE ADDRESS GENERATE CAddress AS MyAddress

HFILE=caddress.h

CPPFILE=caddress.cpp

```
TYPE PERSON GENERATE CPerson AS MyPerson
HFILE=cperson.h
CPPFILE=cperson.cpp
```

```
TYPE STUDENT GENERATE CStudent AS MyStudent
HFILE=cstudent.h
CPPFILE=cstudent.cpp
```

---

---

**Note:** PERSON and PFGRFDENT must be generated in separate files because PERSON is an extended class and it is the base class for PFGRFDENT.

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To invoke the OTT utility, use the following command line statement:

```
ott userid=scott/tiger code=cpp attraccess=private intype=demo.in.typ
outtype=demo.out.typ
```

---

---

**Note:** attraccess=private is specified because accessors and mutators are used to access the attributes.

---

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The files generated by the OTT utility for this example are shown in the following sections:

- [Example of the Declarations for Object Type FULL\\_NAME: cfullname.h](#)
- [Example of the Declarations for Object Type ADDRESS: caddress.h](#)
- [Example of Declarations for Object Type PERSON: cperson.h](#)
- [Example for Declarations for Object Type STUDENT: cstudent.h](#)
- [Example of C++ Source File for Object Type FULLNAME: cfullname.cpp](#)
- [Example of C++ Source File for Object Type ADDRESS: caddress.cpp](#)



- Example of C++ Source File for Object Type PERSON: cperson.cpp
- Example of C++ Source File for Object Type STUDENT: cstudent.cpp
- Example of Register Mappings Header File: registerMappings.h
- Example of C++ Source File for Register Mappings: registerMappings.cpp
- Example of User-Written Extension File: myfullname.h
- Example of User-Written Extension File: myaddress.h
- Example of User-Written Extension File: myperson.h
- Example of User-Written Extension File: mystudent.h
- Example of User-Written Extension File: mydemo.cpp
- Output Generated by Example OTT Application

### Example of the Declarations for Object Type FULL\_NAME: cfullname.h

```
#ifndef CFULLNAME_ORACLE
# define CFULLNAME_ORACLE

#endif

#ifdef OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

/*****/
// generated declarations for the FULL_NAME object type.
/*****/

class CFullName : public oracle::occi::PObject {

private:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string FirstName;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string LastName;

public:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getFirstname() const;

    void setFirstname(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getLastname() const;
```

```
void setLastname(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value);

void *operator new(size_t size);

void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

CFullName();

CFullName(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

#endif
```

### Example of the Declarations for Object Type ADDRESS: address.h

```
#ifndef CADDRESS_ORACLE
# define CADDRESS_ORACLE

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

/*****/
// generated declarations for the ADDRESS object type.
/*****/

class CAddress : public oracle::occi::PObject {

private:
```

```

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string STATE;
OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string ZIP;

public:

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getState() const;

void setState(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value);

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getZip() const;

void setZip(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value);

void *operator new(size_t size);

void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

CAddress();

CAddress(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

#endif

```

### Example of Declarations for Object Type PERSON: cperson.h

```

#ifndef CPERSON_ORACLE
#define CPERSON_ORACLE

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
#include <occi.h>
#endif

```

```
#ifndef MYFULLNAME_ORACLE
# include "myfullname.h"
#endif

#ifndef MYADDRESS_ORACLE
# include "myaddress.h"
#endif

/*****
// generated declarations for the PERSON object type.
*****/

class CPerson : public oracle::occi::PObject {

private:

    oracle::occi::Number ID;
    MyFullName * NAME;
    oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > CURR_ADDR;
    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > > PREV_ADDR_L;

public:

    oracle::occi::Number getId() const;

    void setId(const oracle::occi::Number &value);

    MyFullName * getName() const;

    void setName(MyFullName * value);

    oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > getCurr_addr() const;

    void setCurr_addr(const oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > &value);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > >& getPrev_addr_
l();

    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > >& getPrev_
addr_l() const;

    void setPrev_addr_l(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref<
MyAddress > > &value);
```

```

void *operator new(size_t size);

void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

CPerson();

CPerson(void *ctxOCCI_) : oracle::occi::PObject (ctxOCCI_) { };

static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

#endif

```

### Example for Declarations for Object Type STUDENT: cstudent.h

```

#ifndef CSTUDENT_ORACLE
#define CSTUDENT_ORACLE

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
#include <occi.h>
#endif

#ifndef myPERSON_ORACLE
#include "myperson.h"
#endif

/*****/
// generated declarations for the STUDENT object type.
/*****/

class CStudent : public MyPerson {

```

```
private:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string SCHOOL_NAME;

public:

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSchool_name() const;

    void setSchool_name(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value);

    void *operator new(size_t size);

    void *operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
        const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table);

    OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string getSQLTypeName() const;

    CStudent();

    CStudent(void *ctxOCCI_) : MyPerson (ctxOCCI_) { };

    static void *readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

    static void writeSQL(void *objOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_);

    virtual void writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_);

};

#endif
```

### Example of C++ Source File for Object Type FULLNAME: cfullname.cpp

```
#ifndef CFULLNAME_ORACLE
# include "cfullname.h"
#endif

/*****
// generated method implementations for the FULL_NAME object type.
*****/
```

```
OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CFullName::getFirstname() const
{
    return FirstName;
}

void CFullName::setFirstname(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value)
{
    FirstName = value;
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CFullName::getLastname() const
{
    return LastName;
}

void CFullName::setLastname(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value)
{
    LastName = value;
}

void *CFullName::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *CFullName::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection *
sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.FULL_NAME");
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CFullName::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.FULL_NAME");
}

CFullName::CFullName()
{
}

void *CFullName::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CFullName *objOCCI_ = new CFullName(ctxOCCI_);
}
```

```

oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

try
{
    if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
        objOCCI_>setNull();
    else
        objOCCI_>readSQL(streamOCCI_);
}
catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
{
    delete objOCCI_;
    excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    return (void *)NULL;
}
return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void CFullName::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    FirstName = streamOCCI_.getString();
    LastName = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

void CFullName::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CFullName *objOCCI_ = (CFullName *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_>isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void CFullName::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{

```



```

    streamOCCI_.setString(FirstName);
    streamOCCI_.setString(LastName);
}

```

### Example of C++ Source File for Object Type ADDRESS: address.cpp

```

#ifndef ADDRESS_ORACLE
# include "address.h"
#endif

/*****
// generated method implementations for the ADDRESS object type.
*****/

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CAddress::getState() const
{
    return STATE;
}

void CAddress::setState(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value)
{
    STATE = value;
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CAddress::getZip() const
{
    return ZIP;
}

void CAddress::setZip(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value)
{
    ZIP = value;
}

void *CAddress::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *CAddress::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,

```

```

        (char *) "SCOTT.ADDRESS");
    }

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CAddress::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.ADDRESS");
}

CAddress::CAddress()
{
}

void *CAddress::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CAddress *objOCCI_ = new CAddress(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_->setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void CAddress::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    STATE = streamOCCI_.getString();
    ZIP = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

void CAddress::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CAddress *objOCCI_ = (CAddress *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try

```

```

    {
        if (objOCCI_>isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void CAddress::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setString(STATE);
    streamOCCI_.setString(ZIP);
}

```

### Example of C++ Source File for Object Type PERSON: cperson.cpp

```

#ifndef CPERSON_ORACLE
#include "cperson.h"
#endif

/*****
// generated method implementations for the PERSON object type.
*****/

oracle::occi::Number CPerson::getId() const
{
    return ID;
}

void CPerson::setId(const oracle::occi::Number &value)
{
    ID = value;
}

MyFullName * CPerson::getName() const
{
    return NAME;
}

```

```
void CPerson::setName(MyFullName * value)
{
    NAME = value;
}

oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > CPerson::getCurr_addr() const
{
    return CURR_ADDR;
}

void CPerson::setCurr_addr(const oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > &value)
{
    CURR_ADDR = value;
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > >& CPerson::getPrev_
addr_l()
{
    return PREV_ADDR_L;
}

const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > >&
CPerson::getPrev_addr_l() const
{
    return PREV_ADDR_L;
}

void CPerson::setPrev_addr_l(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector<
oracle::occi::Ref< MyAddress > > &value)
{
    PREV_ADDR_L = value;
}

void *CPerson::operator new(size_t size)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
}

void *CPerson::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
(char *) "SCOTT.PERSON");
}
```

```

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CPerson::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.PERSON");
}

CPerson::CPerson()
{
    NAME = (MyFullName *) 0;
}

void *CPerson::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CPerson *objOCCI_ = new CPerson(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_>setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void CPerson::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    ID = streamOCCI_.getNumber();
    NAME = (MyFullName *) streamOCCI_.getObject();
    CURR_ADDR = streamOCCI_.getRef();
    getVector(streamOCCI_, PREV_ADDR_L);
}

void CPerson::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CPerson *objOCCI_ = (CPerson *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

```

```

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_>isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void CPerson::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    streamOCCI_.setNumber(ID);
    streamOCCI_.setObject(NAME);
    streamOCCI_.setRef(CURR_ADDR);
    setVector(streamOCCI_, PREV_ADDR_L);
}

```

### Example of C++ Source File for Object Type STUDENT: cstudent.cpp

```

#ifndef CSTUDENT_ORACLE
# include "cstudent.h"
#endif

/*****
// generated method implementations for the STUDENT object type.
*****/

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CStudent::getSchool_name() const
{
    return SCHOOL_NAME;
}

void CStudent::setSchool_name(const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &value)
{
    SCHOOL_NAME = value;
}

void *CStudent::operator new(size_t size)

```

```

    {
        return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size);
    }

void *CStudent::operator new(size_t size, const oracle::occi::Connection * sess,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string& table)
{
    return oracle::occi::PObject::operator new(size, sess, table,
        (char *) "SCOTT.STUDENT");
}

OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string CStudent::getSQLTypeName() const
{
    return OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string("SCOTT.STUDENT");
}

CStudent::CStudent()
{
}

void *CStudent::readSQL(void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CStudent *objOCCI_ = new CStudent(ctxOCCI_);
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (streamOCCI_.isNull())
            objOCCI_>setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_>readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        delete objOCCI_;
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
        return (void *)NULL;
    }
    return (void *)objOCCI_;
}

void CStudent::readSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    CPerson::readSQL(streamOCCI_);
    SCHOOL_NAME = streamOCCI_.getString();
}

```

```
    }

void CStudent::writeSQL(void *objectOCCI_, void *ctxOCCI_)
{
    CStudent *objOCCI_ = (CStudent *) objectOCCI_;
    oracle::occi::AnyData streamOCCI_(ctxOCCI_);

    try
    {
        if (objOCCI_->isNull())
            streamOCCI_.setNull();
        else
            objOCCI_->writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    }
    catch (oracle::occi::SQLException& excep)
    {
        excep.setErrorCtx(ctxOCCI_);
    }
    return;
}

void CStudent::writeSQL(oracle::occi::AnyData& streamOCCI_)
{
    CPerson::writeSQL(streamOCCI_);
    streamOCCI_.setString(SCHOOL_NAME);
}
```

### Example of Register Mappings Header File: registerMappings.h

```
#ifndef REGISTERMAPPINGS_ORACLE
# define REGISTERMAPPINGS_ORACLE

#ifndef OCCI_ORACLE
# include <occi.h>
#endif

#ifndef CFULLNAME_ORACLE
# include "cfullname.h"
#endif

#ifndef CADDRESS_ORACLE
# include "caddress.h"
#endif
```



```
#ifndef CPERSON_ORACLE
# include "cperson.h"
#endif

#ifndef CSTUDENT_ORACLE
# include "cstudent.h"
#endif

void registerMappings(oracle::occi::Environment* envOCCI_);

#endif
```

### Example of C++ Source File for Register Mappings: registerMappings.cpp

```
#ifndef REGISTERMAPPINGS_ORACLE
# include "registerMappings.h"
#endif

void registerMappings(oracle::occi::Environment* envOCCI_)
{
    oracle::occi::Map *mapOCCI_ = envOCCI_->getMap();
    mapOCCI_->put("SCOTT.FULL_NAME", CFullName::readSQL,
CFullName::writeSQL);
    mapOCCI_->put("SCOTT.ADDRESS", CAddress::readSQL, CAddress::writeSQL);
    mapOCCI_->put("SCOTT.PERSON", CPerson::readSQL, CPerson::writeSQL);
    mapOCCI_->put("SCOTT.STUDENT", CStudent::readSQL, CStudent::writeSQL);
}
```

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**Note:** This demo extends types that are used as attributes and base classes of other generated types. `cperson.h` #includes `myfullname.h` and `myaddress.h`. `cstudent.h` #includes `myperson.h`. `PERSON` and `PFGRFDENT` must be generated in separate files because `PERSON` is an extended class and it is the base class for `PFGRFDENT`.

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### Example of User-Written Extension File: `myfullname.h`

```
#ifndef MYFULLNAME_ORACLE
# define MYFULLNAME_ORACLE

using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

#ifndef CFULLNAME_ORACLE
#include "cfullname.h"
#endif

/*****
// declarations for the MyFullName class.
*****/
class MyFullName : public CFullName {
public:
    MyFullName(string first_name, string last_name);
    void displayInfo();
};

#endif
```

### Example of User-Written Extension File: `myaddress.h`

```
#ifndef MYADDRESS_ORACLE
# define MYADDRESS_ORACLE

using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

#ifndef CADDRESS_ORACLE
#include "caddress.h"
#endif
```

```

/*****/
// declarations for the MyAddress class.
/*****/
class MyAddress : public CAddress {
public:
    MyAddress(string state_i, string zip_i);
    void displayInfo();
};

#endif

```

### Example of User-Written Extension File: myperson.h

```

#ifndef MYPERSON_ORACLE
# define MYPERSON_ORACLE

using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

#ifndef CPERSON_ORACLE
#include "cperson.h"
#endif

/*****/
// declarations for the MyPerson class.
/*****/
class MyPerson : public CPerson {
public:
    MyPerson();
    MyPerson(void *ctxOCCI_) : CPerson(ctxOCCI_) { };
    MyPerson(Number id_i, MyFullName *name_i, const Ref<MyAddress>& addr_i);
    void move(const Ref<MyAddress>& new_addr);
    void displayInfo();
};

#endif

```

### Example of User-Written Extension File: mystudent.h

```

#ifndef MYSTUDENT_ORACLE
# define MYSTUDENT_ORACLE

using namespace oracle::occi;

```

```
using namespace std;

#ifndef CSTUDENT_ORACLE
#include "cstudent.h"
#endif

/*****/
// declarations for the MyStudent class.
/*****/
class MyStudent : public CStudent {
public:
    MyStudent(Number id_i, MyFullName *name_i, Ref<MyAddress>& addr_i, string
school_name);
    void displayInfo();
} ;

#endif
```

### Example of User-Written Extension File: mydemo.cpp

```
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

#include "registerMappings.h"

#include "myfullname.h"
#include "myaddress.h"
#include "myperson.h"
#include "mystudent.h"

/*****/
// method implementations for MyFullName class.
/*****/
```

```
/* initialize MyFullName */
MyFullName::MyFullName(string first_name, string last_name)
{
    setFirstname(first_name);
    setLastname(last_name);
}

/* display all the information in MyFullName */
void MyFullName::displayInfo()
{
    cout << "FIRST NAME is: " << getFirstname() << endl;
    cout << "LAST NAME is: " << getLastname() << endl;
}

/*****
// method implementations for MyAddress class.
*****/

/* initialize MyAddress */
MyAddress::MyAddress(string state_i, string zip_i)
{
    setState(state_i);
    setZip(zip_i);
}

/* display all the information in MyAddress */
void MyAddress::displayInfo()
```

```
{
    cout << "STATE is: " << getState() << endl;
    cout << "ZIP is: " << getZip() << endl;
}

/*****/
// method implementations for MyPerson class.
/*****/
/* Default constructor needed because CStudent inherits from MyPerson */
MyPerson::MyPerson(){}

/* initialize MyPerson */
MyPerson::MyPerson(Number id_i, MyFullName* name_i, const
Ref<MyAddress>& addr_i)
{
    setId(id_i);
    setName(name_i);
    setCurr_addr(addr_i);
}

/* Move Person from curr_addr to new_addr */
void MyPerson::move(const Ref<MyAddress>& new_addr)
{
    // append curr_addr to the vector
    getPrev_addr_l0.push_back(getCurr_addr());
    setCurr_addr(new_addr);
    this->markModified();
}
```

```
/* Display all the information of MyPerson */
void MyPerson::displayInfo()
{
    cout << "----- " << endl;

    cout << "ID is: " << (int)getId() << endl;

    getName()->displayInfo();

    // de-referencing the Ref attribute using -> operator
    getCurr_addr()->displayInfo();

    cout << "Prev Addr List: " << endl;
    for (int i = 0; i < getPrev_addr_l().size(); i++)
    {
        // access the collection elements using [] operator
        getPrev_addr_l()[i]->displayInfo();
    }
}

/*****/
// method implementations for MyStudent class.
/*****/

/* initialize MyStudent */
MyStudent::MyStudent(Number id_i, MyFullName *name_i, Ref<MyAddress>&
addr_i, string school_name_i)
```

```
{
    setId(id_i);
    setName(name_i);
    setCurr_addr(addr_i);
    setSchool_name(school_name_i);
}

/* display the information in MyStudent */
void MyStudent::displayInfo()
{
    MyPerson::displayInfo();
    cout << "SCHOOL NAME is: " << getSchool_name() << endl;
}

void process(Connection *conn)
{
    /* creating a persistent object of type Address in the connection,
       conn, and the database table, ADDR_TAB */
    MyAddress *addr1 = new(conn, "ADDR_TAB") MyAddress("CA", "94065");

    /* commit the transaction which results in the newly created object, addr1,
       being flushed to the server */
    conn->commit();

    MyFullName name1("Joe", "Black");

    /* creating a persistent object of type Person in the connection,
```



```
conn, and the database table, PERSON_TAB */
MyPerson *person1 = new(conn, "PERSON_TAB") MyPerson(1,&name1,
                addr1->getRef());

/* commit the transaction which results in the newly created object,
   person1 being flushed to the server */
conn->commit();

Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement(
    "SELECT REF(per) from person_tab per ");

ResultSet *resultSet = stmt->executeQuery();

if (!resultSet->next())
{
    cout << "No record found \n";
}

RefAny joe_refany = resultSet->getRef(1);
Ref <MyPerson> joe_ref(joe_refany);

/* de-referencing Ref using ptr() operator. operator -> and operator *
   also could be used to de-reference the Ref. As part of de-referencing,
   if the referenced object is not found in the application cache, the object
   data is retrieved from the server and unmarshalled into Person instance
   through MyPerson::readSQL() method. */

MyPerson *joe = joe_ref.ptr();
```

```
joe->displayInfo();

/* creating a persistent object of type MyAddress, in the connection,
   conn and the database table, ADDR_TAB */
MyAddress *new_addr1 = new(conn, "ADDR_TAB") MyAddress("PA", "92140");
conn->commit();

joe->move(new_addr1->getRef());
joe->displayInfo();

/* commit the transaction which results in the newly created object,
   new_addr1 and the dirty object, joe to be flushed to the server. */
conn->commit();

MyAddress *addr2 = new(conn, "ADDR_TAB") MyAddress("CA", "95065");
MyFullName name2("Jill", "White");
Ref<MyAddress> addrRef = addr2->getRef();
MyStudent *student2 = new(conn, "STUDENT_TAB") MyStudent(2, &name2,
    addrRef, "Stanford");
conn->commit();

Statement *stmt2 = conn->createStatement(
    "SELECT REF(Student) from student_tab Student where id = 2");

ResultSet *resultSet2 = stmt2->executeQuery();
if (!resultSet2->next())
{
    cout << "No record found \n";
}
```

```
    }

    RefAny jillrefany = resultSet2->getRef(1);
    Ref <MyStudent> jill_ref(jillrefany);

    MyStudent *jill = jill_ref.ptr();

    cout << jill->getPrev_addr_l0.size();

    jill->displayInfo();

    MyAddress *new_addr2 = new(conn, "ADDR_TAB") MyAddress("CO", "80021");
    conn->commit();

    jill->move(new_addr2->getRef());

    jill->displayInfo();

    jill->markModified();

    conn->commit();

    /* The following delete statements delete the objects only from the
       application cache. To delete the objects from the server, mark_deleted()
       should be used. */
    delete person1;
    delete addr1;
    delete new_addr1;
```

```

delete addr2;
delete student2;
delete new_addr2;

conn->terminateStatement(stmt);
conn->terminateStatement(stmt2);

}

/***** /
// main function of this OCCI application.
// This application connects to the database as scott/tiger, creates
// the Person (Joe Black) whose Address is in CA, and commits the changes.
// The Person object is then retrieved from the database and its
// information is displayed. A second Address object is created (in PA),
// then the previously retrieved Person object (Joe Black) is moved to
// this new address. The Person object is then displayed again.
// The similar commands are executed for "Jill White", a Student at Stanford,
// who is moved from CA to CO.
/***** /

int main()
{

    Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment(Environment::OBJECT);

    /* Call the OTT generated function to register the mappings */
    registerMappings(env);

```

```
Connection *conn = env->createConnection("scott","tiger","");

process(conn);

env->terminateConnection(conn);
Environment::terminateEnvironment(env);

return 0;
}
```

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**Note:** Each extension class declaration must **#include** the generated header file of the class it is extending. For example, `myfullname.h` must **#include** `cperson.h` and `mystudent.h` must **#include** `cstudent.h`. `mydemo.cpp` must **#include** `registerMappings.h` in order to call the `registerMapping` function to register the mappings.

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## Output Generated by Example OTT Application

The output generated from the example OCCI application is:

```
-----
ID is: 1
FIRST NAME is: Joe
LAST NAME is: Black
STATE is: CA
ZIP is: 94065
Prev Addr List:
```

```
-----
ID is: 1
FIRST NAME is: Joe
LAST NAME is: Black
STATE is: PA
ZIP is: 92140
```

```
Prev Addr List:
STATE is: CA
ZIP is: 94065
-----
ID is: 2
FIRST NAME is: Jill
LAST NAME is: White
STATE is: CA
ZIP is: 95065
Prev Addr List:
SCHOOL NAME is: Stanford
-----
ID is: 2
FIRST NAME is: Jill
LAST NAME is: White
STATE is: CO
ZIP is: 80021
Prev Addr List:
STATE is: CA
ZIP is: 95065
SCHOOL NAME is: Stanford
```

## OTT Utility Reference

Behavior of the OTT utility is controlled by parameters that are specified either on the OTT command line or in a CONFIG file. Certain parameters may also appear in the INTYPE file.

This section provides detailed information about the following topics:

- [OTT Command Line Syntax](#)
- [OTT Utility Parameters](#)
- [Where OTT Parameters Can Appear](#)
- [Structure of the INTYPE File](#)
- [Nested #include File Generation](#)
- [SCHEMA\\_NAMES Usage](#)
- [Default Name Mapping](#)
- [Restriction Affecting the OTT Utility: File Name Comparison](#)

## OTT Command Line Syntax

The OTT command-line interface is used when explicitly invoking the OTT utility to translate database types into C structures or C++ classes. This is always required when developing OCI, OCCl, or Pro\*C/C++ applications that use objects.

An OTT command line statement consists of the command OTT, followed by a list of OTT utility parameters.

The parameters that can appear on the OTT command line statement are listed alphabetically as follows:

```
[ATTRACCESS={PRIVATE|PROTECTED}]
[CASE={SAME|LOWER|UPPER|OPPOSITE}]
CODE={C|ANSI_C|KR_C|CPP}
[CONFIG=filename]
[CPPFILE=filename]
[ERRTYPE=filename]
[HFILE=filename]
[INITFILE=filename]
[INITFUNC=filename]
[INTYPE=filename]
[MAPFILE=filename]
[MAPFUNC=filename]
OUTTYPE=filename
[SCHEMA_NAMES={ALWAYS|IF_NEEDED|FROM_INTYPE}]
[TRANSITIVE={TRUE|FALSE}]
[USE_MARKER={TRUE|FALSE}]
[USERID=username/password[@db_name]]
```

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**Note:** Generally, the order of the parameters following the OTT command does not matter. The `OUTTYPE` and `CODE` parameters are always required.

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The `HFILE` parameter is almost always used. If omitted, then `HFILE` must be specified individually for each type in the `INTYPE` file. If the OTT utility determines that a type not listed in the `INTYPE` file must be translated, then an error will be reported. Therefore, it is safe to omit the `HFILE` parameter only if the `INTYPE` file was previously generated as an OTT `OUTTYPE` file.

If the `INTYPE` file is omitted, then the entire schema will be translated. See the parameter descriptions in the following section for more information.

The following is an example of an OTT command line statement (enter it as one line):

```
ott userid=scott/tiger intype=in.typ outtype=out.typ code=c hfile=demo.h  
errtype=demo.tls case=lower
```

Each of the OTT command line parameters is described in the following section.

## OTT Utility Parameters

Enter parameters on the OTT command line using the following format:

```
parameter=value
```

In this example, `parameter` is the literal parameter string and `value` is a valid parameter setting. The literal parameter string is not case sensitive.

Separate command line parameters by using either spaces or tabs.

Parameters can also appear within a configuration file, but, in that case, no whitespace is permitted within a line, and each parameter must appear on a separate line. Additionally, the parameters `CASE`, `CPPFILE`, `HFILE`, `INITFILE`, `INTFUNC`, `MAPFILE`, and `MAPFUNC` can appear in the `INTYPE` file.

OTT utility parameters are described in the following sections:

- [ATTRACCESS Parameter](#)
- [CASE Parameter](#)
- [CODE Parameter](#)
- [CONFIG Parameter](#)



- CPPFILE Parameter
- ERRTYPE Parameter
- HFILE Parameter
- INITFILE Parameter
- INITFUNC Parameter
- INTYPE Parameter
- MAPFILE Parameter
- MAPFUNC Parameter
- OUTTYPE Parameter
- SCHEMA\_NAMES Parameter
- TRANSITIVE Parameter
- USE\_MARKER Parameter
- USERID Parameter

### **ATTRACCESS Parameter**

For C++ only. This parameter instructs the OTT utility whether to generate `PRIVATE` or `PROTECTED` access for the type attributes. If `PRIVATE` is specified, the OTT utility generates an accessor (`getxxx`) and mutator (`setxxx`) method for each of the type attributes.

```
ATTRACCESS=PRIVATE|PROTECTED
```

The default is `PROTECTED`.

### **CASE Parameter**

This parameter affects the case of certain C or C++ identifiers generated by the OTT utility. The valid values of `CASE` are `SAME`, `LOWER`, `UPPER`, and `OPPOSITE`.

If `CASE=SAME`, the case of letters is not changed when converting database type and attribute names to C or C++ identifiers.

If `CASE=LOWER`, then all uppercase letters are converted to lowercase.

If `CASE=UPPER`, then all lowercase letters are converted to uppercase.

If `CASE=OPPOSITE`, then all uppercase letters are converted to lowercase, and all lowercase letters are converted to uppercase.

```
CASE=[SAME|LOWER|UPPER|OPPOSITE]
```

This parameter affects only those identifiers (attributes or types not explicitly listed) not mentioned in the `INTYPE` file. Case conversion takes place after a legal identifier has been generated.

The case of the C structure identifier for a type specifically mentioned in the `INTYPE` file is the same as its case in the `INTYPE` file. For example, consider this line included in the `INTYPE` file:

```
TYPE Worker
```

The OTT utility generates the following C structure:

```
struct Worker {...};
```

On the other hand, consider an `INTYPE` file that includes the following line:

```
TYPE wOrKeR
```

The OTT utility generates this C structure, which follows the case specified in the `INTYPE` file:

```
struct wOrKeR {...};
```

Case insensitive SQL identifiers not mentioned in the `INTYPE` file will appear in uppercase if `CASE=SAME`, and in lowercase if `CASE=OPPOSITE`. A SQL identifier is case insensitive if it was not quoted when it was declared.

### CODE Parameter

This parameter indicates which host language is to be output by the OTT utility. `CODE=C` is equivalent to `CODE=ANSI_C`. `CODE=CPP` must be specified for the OTT utility to generate C++ code for OCCI applications.

```
CODE=C|KR_C|ANSI_C|CPP
```

This parameter is required, and there is no default value. You must specify one of the host languages.

## CONFIG Parameter

This parameter specifies the name of the OTT configuration file to be used. The configuration file lists commonly used parameter specifications. Parameter specifications are also read from a system configuration file found in an operating system-dependent location. All remaining parameter specifications must appear either on the command line or in the `INTYPE` file.

`CONFIG=filename`

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**Note:** The `CONFIG` parameter can only be specified on the OTT command line. It is not allowed in the `CONFIG` file.

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## CPPFILE Parameter

For C++ only. This parameter specifies the name of the C++ source file that will contain the method implementations generated by the OTT utility.

This parameter is required under the following conditions:

- A type not mentioned in the `INTYPE` file must be generated and two or more `CPPFILES` are being generated. In this case, the unmentioned type goes in the `CPPFILE` specified on the command line.
- The `INTYPE` parameter is not specified, and you want the OTT utility to translate all the types in the schema.

The restrictions to this are similar to that of the existing `HFILE` parameter restrictions already in place for Pro\*C/C++ and OCI. This parameter is optional when the `CPPFILE` is specified for individual types in the `INTYPE` file.

`CPPFILE=filename`

## ERRTYPE Parameter

If you supply this parameter, then a listing of the `INTYPE` file is written to the `ERRTYPE` file, along with all information and error messages. Information and error messages are sent to the standard output whether or not the `ERRTYPE` parameter is specified.

Essentially, the `ERRTYPE` file is a copy of the `INTYPE` file with error messages added. In most cases, an error message will include a pointer to the text that caused the error.

If the filename specified for the `ERRTYPE` parameter on the command line does not include an extension, a platform-specific extension such as `.TLS` or `.tls` is automatically added.

`ERRTYPE=filename`

### **HFILE Parameter**

This parameter specifies the name of the header (`.h`) file to be generated by the OTT utility. The `HFILE` specified on the command line contains the declarations of types that are mentioned in the `INTYPE` file but whose header files are not specified there.

This parameter is required unless the header file for each type is specified individually in the `INTYPE` file. This parameter is also required if a type not mentioned in the `INTYPE` file must be generated because other types require it, and these other types are declared in two or more different files.

If the filename specified for the `HFILE` parameter on the command line or in the `INTYPE` file does not include an extension, a platform-specific extension such as `H` or `.h` is automatically added.

`HFILE=filename`

### **INITFILE Parameter**

For OCI only. This parameter specifies the name of the initialization file to be generated by the OTT utility. If you omit this parameter, then the initialization file will not be generated.

For Pro\*C/C++ programs, the `INITFILE` is not necessary, because the `SQLLIB` run-time library performs the necessary initializations. An OCI programmer must compile and link the `INITFILE` files, and must call the initialization functions when an environment handle is created.

If the filename specified for the `INITFILE` parameter on the command line or in the `INTYPE` file does not include an extension, a platform-specific extension such as `C` or `.c` is automatically added.

`INITFILE=filename`

### **INITFUNC Parameter**

For OCI only. This parameter specifies the name of the initialization function to be generated by the OTT utility.

This parameter is optional. If you omit this parameter, then the name of the initialization function is derived from the name of the `INITFILE`.

*INITFUNC=filename*

## INTYPE Parameter

This parameter specifies the name of the file from which to read the list of object type specifications. The OTT utility translates each type in the list.

*INTYPE=filename*

*INTYPE=* may be omitted if *USERID* and *INTYPE* are the first two parameters, in that order, and *USERID=* is omitted. For example,

*OTT username/password filename...*

If the *INTYPE* parameter is not specified, all types in the user's schema will be translated.

The *INTYPE* file can be thought of as a makefile for type declarations. It lists the types for which C structure declarations or C++ classes are needed. The format of the *INTYPE* file is described in ["Structure of the INTYPE File"](#) on page 7-127.

If the filename specified for the *INTYPE* parameter on the command line does not include an extension, a platform-specific extension such as *TYP* or *.typ* is automatically added.

**See Also:** ["Structure of the INTYPE File"](#) on page 7-127 for more information about the format of the *INTYPE* file

## MAPFILE Parameter

For C++ only. This parameter specifies the name of the mapping file (*.cpp*) and corresponding header file (*.h*) that is generated by the OTT utility. The *.cpp* file contains the implementation of the functions to register the mappings while the *.h* file contains the prototype for the function.

This parameter is required for the generation of C++. If you specify *CODE=CPP*, then you must also specify a value for the *MAPFILE* parameter. Otherwise, the OTT utility generates an error.

This parameter may be specified either on the command line or in the *INTYPE* file.

*MAPFILE=filename*

### MAPFUNC Parameter

For C++ only. This parameter specifies the name of the function to be used to register the mappings generated by the OTT utility.

This parameter is optional for the generation of C++. If this parameter is omitted, then the name of the function to register the mappings is derived from the filename specified in the `MAPFILE` parameter.

This parameter may be specified either on the command line or in the `INTYPE` file.

`MAPFUNC=functionname`

### OUTTYPE Parameter

This parameter specifies the name of the file into which the OTT utility writes type information for all the object datatypes it processes. This file includes all types explicitly named in the `INTYPE` file, and may include additional types that are translated because they are used in the declarations of other types that need to be translated. This file may be used as an `INTYPE` file in a future invocation of the OTT utility.

`OUTTYPE=filename`

If the `INTYPE` and `OUTTYPE` parameters refer to the same file, then the new `INTYPE` information replaces the old information in the `INTYPE` file. This provides a convenient way for the same `INTYPE` file to be used repeatedly in the cycle of altering types, generating type declarations, editing source code, precompiling, compiling, and debugging.

This parameter is required.

If the filename specified for the `OUTTYPE` parameter on the command line or in the `INTYPE` file does not include an extension, a platform-specific extension such as `TYP` or `.typ` is automatically added.

### SCHEMA\_NAMES Parameter

This parameter offers control in qualifying the database name of a type from the default schema with a schema name in the `OUTTYPE` file. The `OUTTYPE` file generated by the OTT utility contains information about the types processed by the OTT utility, including the type names.

`SCHEMA_NAMES=ALWAYS | IF_NEEDED | FROM_INTYPE`

The default value is `ALWAYS`.

**See Also:** ["SCHEMA\\_NAMES Usage"](#) on page 7-131 for further information

### **TRANSITIVE Parameter**

This parameter indicates whether type dependencies not explicitly listed in the INTYPE file are to be translated. Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

TRANSITIVE=TRUE | FALSE

The default value is TRUE.

If TRANSITIVE=TRUE is specified, then types needed by other types and not mentioned in the INTYPE file are generated.

If TRANSITIVE=FALSE is specified, then types not mentioned in the INTYPE file are not generated, even if they are used as attribute types of other generated types.

### **USE\_MARKER Parameter**

This parameter indicates whether OTT markers should be supported, if used, by OTT to carry forward user added. Valid values are TRUE and FALSE. The default value is FALSE.

USE\_MARKER=TRUE | FALSE

The default value is FALSE.

If USE\_MARKER=TRUE is specified, then the added code between the markers, OTT\_USER\_CODESTART and OTT\_USERCODE\_END will be carried forward when the same file is generated again.

If USE\_MARKER=FALSE is specified, then the user added code will not be carried forward, even if the code is added between OTT\_USERCODE\_START and OTT\_USERCODE\_END markers.

### **USERID Parameter**

This parameter specifies the Oracle username, password, and optional database name (Oracle Net database specification string). If the database name is omitted, the default database is assumed.

USERID=*username*/*password*[*@db\_name*]

If this is the first parameter, then USERID= may be omitted as shown:

*OTT username/password ...*

This parameter is optional. If you omit this parameter, then the OTT utility automatically attempts to connect to the default database as user `OPS$username`, where *username* is the user's operating system username.

## Where OTT Parameters Can Appear

Supply OTT parameters on the command line, in a `CONFIG` file named on the command line, or both. Some parameters are also allowed in the `INTYPE` file.

The OTT utility is invoked as follows:

*OTT parameters*

You can name a configuration file on the command line with the `CONFIG` parameter as follows:

`CONFIG=filename`

If you name this parameter on the command line, then additional parameters are read from the configuration file named *filename*.

In addition, parameters are also read from a default configuration file that resides in an operating system-dependent location. This file must exist, but can be empty. If you choose to enter data in the configuration file, note that no white space is allowed on a line and parameters must be entered one to a line.

If the OTT utility is executed without any arguments, then an online parameter reference is displayed.

The types for the OTT utility to translate are named in the file specified by the `INTYPE` parameter. The parameters `CASE`, `CPPFILE`, `HFILE`, `INITFILE`, `INITFUNC`, `MAPFILE`, and `MAPFNC` may also appear in the `INTYPE` file. `OUTTYPE` files generated by the OTT utility include the `CASE` parameter, and include the `INITFILE`, and `INITFUNC` parameters if an initialization file was generated or the `MAPFILE` and `MAPFNC` parameters if C++ codes was generated. The `OUTTYPE` file, as well as the `CPPFILE` for C++, specifies the `HFILE` individually for each type.

The case of the OTT command is operating system-dependent.



## Structure of the INTYPE File

The INTYPE and OUTTYPE files list the types translated by the OTT utility and provide all the information needed to determine how a type or attribute name is translated to a legal C or C++ identifier. These files contain one or more type specifications. These files also may contain specifications of the following options:

- CASE
- CPPFILE
- HFILE
- INITFILE
- INITFUNC
- MAPFILE
- MAPFUNC

If the CASE, INITFILE, INITFUNC, MAPFILE, or MAPFUNC options are present, then they must precede any type specifications. If these options appear both on the command line and in the INTYPE file, then the value on the command line is used.

**See Also:** ["Overview of the OUTTYPE File"](#) on page 7-26 for an example of a simple user-defined INTYPE file and of the full OUTTYPE file that the OTT utility generates from it

### INTYPE File Type Specifications

A type specification in the INTYPE file names an object datatype that is to be translated. The following is an example of a user-created INTYPE file:

```
TYPE employee
  TRANSLATE SALARY$ AS salary
  DEPTNO AS department
TYPE ADDRESS
TYPE PURCHASE_ORDER AS p_o
```

The structure of a type specification is as follows:

```
TYPE type_name
[GENERATE type_identifier]
[AS type_identifier]
[VERSION [=] version_string]
[HFILE [=] hfile_name]
[CPPFILE [=] cppfile_name]
```

```
[TRANSLATE{member_name [AS identifier]}...]
```

The `type_name` syntax follows this form:

```
[schema_name.]type_name
```

In this syntax, `schema_name` is the name of the schema that owns the given object datatype, and `type_name` is the name of the type. The default schema, if one is not specified, is that of the userID invoking the OTT utility. To use a specific schema, you must use `schema_name`.

The components of the type specification are:

- `type_name`: Name of the object datatype.
- `type_identifier`: C / C++ identifier used to represent the class. The `GENERATE` clause is used to specify the name of the class that the OTT utility generates. The `AS` clause specifies the name of the class that you write. The `GENERATE` clause is typically used to extend a class. The `AS` clause, when optionally used without the `GENERATE` clause, specifies the name of the C structure or the C++ class that represents the user-defined type.
- `version_string`: Version string of the type that was used when the code was generated by the previous invocation of the OTT utility. The version string is generated by the OTT utility and written to the `OUTTYPE` file, which can later be used as the `INTYPE` file in later invocations of the OTT utility. The version string does not affect how the OTT utility operates, but can be used to select which version of the object datatype is used in the running program.
- `hfile_name`: Name of the header file into which the declarations of the corresponding class are written. If you omit the `HFILE` clause, then the file specified by the command line `HFILE` parameter is used.
- `cppfile_name`: Name of the C++ source file into which the method implementations of the corresponding class is written. If you omit the `CPPFILE` clause, the file specified by the command line `CPPFILE` parameter is used.
- `member_name`: Name of an attribute (data member) that is to be translated to the identifier.
- `identifier`: C / C++ identifier used to represent the attribute in the program. You can specify identifiers in this way for any number of attributes. The default name mapping algorithm is used for the attributes not mentioned.

An object datatype may need to be translated for one of two reasons:

- It appears in the `INTYPE` file.
- It is required to declare another type that must be translated, and the `TRANSITIVE` parameter is set to `TRUE`.

If a type that is not mentioned explicitly is required by types declared in exactly one file, then the translation of the required type is written to the same files as the explicitly declared types that require it.

If a type that is not mentioned explicitly is required by types declared in two or more different files, then the translation of the required type is written to the global `HFILE` file.

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**Note:** As of release 1 (9.0.1), you may indicate whether the OTT utility is to generate required object types that are not specified in the `INTYPE` file. Set `TRANSITIVE=FALSE` so the OTT utility will not to generate required object types. The default is `TRANSITIVE=TRUE`.

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## Nested #include File Generation

`HFILE` files generated by the OTT utility `#include` other necessary files, and `#define` a symbol constructed from the name of the file. This symbol `#defined` can then be used to determine if the related `HFILE` file has already been `#included`. Consider, for example, a database with the following types:

```
create type px1 AS OBJECT (col1 number, col2 integer);
create type px2 AS OBJECT (col1 px1);
create type px3 AS OBJECT (col1 px1);
```

The `INTYPE` file contains the following information:

```
CASE=lower
type px1
  hfile tott95a.h
type px3
  hfile tott95b.h
```

You invoke the OTT utility as follows:

```
ott scott/tiger tott95i.typ outtype=tott95o.typ code=c
```

The OTT utility then generates the following two header files, named `tott95a.h` and `tott95b.h`.

The content of the `tott95a.h` file is as follows:

```
#ifndef TOT95A_ORACLE
#define TOT95A_ORACLE
#endif
#include <oci.h>
#endif
typedef OCISvcCtx px1_ref;
struct px1
{
    OCISvcCtx col1;
    OCISvcCtx col2;
}
typedef struct px1 px1;
struct px1_ind
{
    OCIInd _atomic;
    OCIInd col1;
    OCIInd col2;
}
typedef struct px1_ind px1_ind;
#endif
```

The content of the `tott95b.h` file is as follows:

```
#ifndef TOT95B_ORACLE
#define TOT95B_ORACLE
#endif
#include <oci.h>
#endif
#include "tott95a.h"
#endif
typedef OCISvcCtx px3_ref;
struct px3
{
    struct px1 col1;
};
typedef struct px3 px3;
struct px3_ind
{
    OCIInd _atomic;
```

```

    struct px1_ind coll
};
typedef struct px3_ind px3_ind;
#endif

```

In the `tott95b.h` file, the symbol `TOTT95B_ORACLE` is `#defined` at the beginning of the file. This enables you to conditionally `#include` this header file in another file. To accomplish this, you would use the following construct:

```

#ifndef TOTT95B_ORACLE
#include "tott95b.h"
#endif

```

By using this technique, you can `#include` `tott95b.h` in, say `foo.h`, without having to know whether some other file `#included` in `foo.h` also `#includes` `tott95b.h`.

After the definition of the symbol `TOTT95B_ORACLE`, the file `oci.h` is `#included`. Every `HFILE` generated by the OTT utility includes `oci.h`, which contains type and function declarations that the Pro\*C/C++ or OCI programmer will find useful. This is the only case in which the OTT utility uses angle brackets in a `#include`.

Next, the file `tott95a.h` is included because it contains the declaration of `struct px1`, that `tott95b.h` requires. When the `INTYPE` file requests that type declarations be written to more than one file, the OTT utility determines which other files each `HFILE` must `#include`, and generates each necessary `#include`.

Note that the OTT utility uses quotes in this `#include`. When a program including `tott95b.h` is compiled, the search for `tott95a.h` begins where the source program was found, and will thereafter follow an implementation-defined search rule. If `tott95a.h` cannot be found in this way, then a complete filename (for example, a UNIX absolute path name beginning with a slash character (/)) should be used in the `INTYPE` file to specify the location of `tott95a.h`.

## SCHEMA\_NAMES Usage

This parameter affects whether the name of a type from the default schema, to which the OTT utility is connected, is qualified with a schema name in the `OUTTYPE` file.

The name of a type from a schema other than the default schema is always qualified with a schema name in the `OUTTYPE` file.

The schema name, or its absence, determines in which schema the type is found during program execution.

There are three valid values for the `SCHEMA_NAMES` parameter:

- `SCHEMA_NAMES=ALWAYS` (default)

All type names in the `OUTTYPE` file are qualified with a schema name.

- `SCHEMA_NAMES=IF_NEEDED`

The type names in the `OUTTYPE` file that belong to the default schema are not qualified with a schema name. As always, type names belonging to other schemas are qualified with the schema name.

- `SCHEMA_NAMES=FROM_INTYPE`

A type mentioned in the `INTYPE` file is qualified with a schema name in the `OUTTYPE` file if, and only if, it was qualified with a schema name in the `INTYPE` file. A type in the default schema that is not mentioned in the `INTYPE` file but that is generated because of type dependencies, is written with a schema name only if the first type encountered by the OTT utility that depends on it is also written with a schema name. However, a type that is not in the default schema to which the OTT utility is connected is always written with an explicit schema name.

The `OUTTYPE` file generated by the OTT utility is the Pro\*C/C++ `INTYPE` file. This file matches database type names to C structure names. This information is used at runtime to make sure that the correct database type is selected into the structure. If a type appears with a schema name in the `OUTTYPE` file (Pro\*C/C++ `INTYPE` file), then the type is found in the named schema during program execution. If the type appears without a schema name, then the type is found in the default schema to which the program connects, which may be different from the default schema the OTT utility used.

### Example of `SCHEMA_NAMES` Parameter Usage

Consider an example where the `SCHEMA_NAMES` parameter is set to `FROM_INTYPE`, and the `INTYPE` file contains the following:

```
TYPE Person
TYPE joe.Dept
TYPE sam.Company
```

The Pro\*C/C++ application that uses the OTT-generated structures uses the types `sam.Company`, `joe.Dept`, and `Person`. `Person` without a schema name refers to the `Person` type in the schema to which the application is connected.

If the OTT utility and the application both connect to schema `joe`, then the application uses the same type (`joe.Person`) that the OTT utility uses. If the OTT utility connects to schema `joe` but the application connects to schema `mary`, then the application uses the type `mary.Person`. This behavior is appropriate only if the same `CREATE TYPE Person` statement has been executed in schema `joe` and schema `mary`.

On the other hand, the application uses type `joe.Dept` regardless of which schema the application is connected to. If this is the behavior you want, then be sure to include schema names with your type names in the `INTYPE` file.

In some cases, the OTT utility translates a type that the user did not explicitly name. For example, consider the following SQL declarations:

```
CREATE TYPE Address AS OBJECT
(
  street   VARCHAR2(40),
  city     VARCHAR(30),
  state    CHAR(2),
  zip_code CHAR(10)
);
```

```
CREATE TYPE Person AS OBJECT
(
  name     CHAR(20),
  age      NUMBER,
  addr     ADDRESS
);
```

Suppose that the OTT utility connects to schema `joe`, `SCHEMA_NAMES=FROM_`  
`INTYPE` is specified, and the user's `INTYPE` files include either

```
TYPE Person
```

or

```
TYPE joe.Person
```

The `INTYPE` file does not mention the type `joe.Address`, which is used as a nested object type in type `joe.Person`.

If `TYPE Person` appears in the `INTYPE` file, then `TYPE Person` and `TYPE Address` appears in the `OUTTYPE` file.

If `TYPE joe.Person` appears in the `INTYPE` file, then `TYPE joe.Person` and `TYPE joe.Address` appear in the `OUTTYPE` file.

If the `joe.Address` type is embedded in several types translated by the OTT utility, but it is not explicitly mentioned in the `INTYPE` file, then the decision of whether to use a schema name is made the first time the OTT utility encounters the embedded `joe.Address` type. If, for some reason, the user wants type `joe.Address` to have a schema name but does not want type `Person` to have one, then you must explicitly request this in the `INTYPE` file as follows:

```
TYPE      joe.Address
```

In the usual case in which each type is declared in a single schema, it is safest for you to qualify all type names with schema names in the `INTYPE` file.

## Default Name Mapping

When the OTT utility creates a C or C++ identifier name for an object type or attribute, it translates the name from the database character set to a legal C or C++ identifier. First, the name is translated from the database character set to the character set used by the OTT utility. Next, if a translation of the resulting name is supplied in the `INTYPE` file, that translation is used. Otherwise, the OTT utility translates the name character-by-character to the compiler character set, applying the character case specified in the `CASE` parameter. The following text describes this in more detail.

When the OTT utility reads the name of a database entity, the name is automatically translated from the database character set to the character set used by the OTT utility. In order for the OTT utility to read the name of the database entity successfully, all the characters of the name must be found in the OTT character set, although a character may have different encodings in the two character sets.

The easiest way to guarantee that the character set used by the OTT utility contains all the necessary characters is to make it the same as the database character set. Note, however, that the OTT character set must be a superset of the compiler character set. That is, if the compiler character set is 7-bit ASCII, then the OTT character set must include 7-bit ASCII as a subset, and if the compiler character set is 7-bit EBCDIC, then the OTT character set must include 7-bit EBCDIC as a subset. The user specifies the character set that the OTT utility uses by setting the `NLS_LANG` environment variable, or by some other operating system-specific mechanism.



Once the OTT utility has read the name of a database entity, it translates the name from the character set used by the OTT utility to the compiler's character set. If a translation of the name appears in the `INTYPE` file, then the OTT utility uses that translation.

Otherwise, the OTT utility attempts to translate the name as follows:

1. If the OTT character set is a multibyte character set, all multibyte characters in the name that have single-byte equivalents are converted to those single-byte equivalents.
2. The name is converted from the OTT character set to the compiler character set. The compiler character set is a single-byte character set such as `US7ASCII`.
3. The case of letters is set according to how the `CASE` parameter is defined, and any character that is not legal in a `C` or `C++` identifier, or that has no translation in the compiler character set, is replaced by an underscore character (`_`). If at least one character is replaced by an underscore, then the OTT utility gives a warning message. If all the characters in a name are replaced by underscores, the OTT utility gives an error message.

Character-by-character name translation does not alter underscores, digits, or single-byte letters that appear in the compiler character set, so legal `C` or `C++` identifiers are not altered.

Name translation may, for example, translate accented single-byte characters such as *o* with an umlaut or an *a* with an accent grave to *o* or *a*, with no accent, and may translate a multibyte letter to its single-byte equivalent. Name translation will typically fail if the name contains multibyte characters that lack single-byte equivalents. In this case, the user must specify name translations in the `INTYPE` file.

The OTT utility will not detect a naming clash caused by two or more database identifiers being mapped to the same `C` name, nor will it detect a naming problem where a database identifier is mapped to a `C` keyword.

## Restriction Affecting the OTT Utility: File Name Comparison

Currently, the OTT utility determines if two files are the same by comparing the filenames provided by the user either on the command line or in the `INTYPE` file. But one potential problem can occur when the OTT utility needs to know if two filenames refer to the same file. For example, if the OTT-generated file `foo.h` requires a type declaration written to `foo1.h`, and another type declaration written to `/private/smith/foo1.h`, then the OTT utility should generate one `#include` if the two files are the same, and two `#includes` if the files are different. In practice,

though, it concludes that the two files are different, and generates two `#includes` as follows:

```
#ifndef FOOL_ORACLE
#include "fool.h"
#endif
#ifndef FOOL_ORACLE
#include "/private/smith/fool.h"
#endif
```

If `fool.h` and `/private/smith/fool.h` are different files, then only the first one will be included. If `fool.h` and `/private/smith/fool.h` are the same file, then a redundant `#include` will be written.

Therefore, if a file is mentioned several times on the command line or in the `INTYPE` file, then each mention of the file should use exactly the same filename.

# Part II

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## OCCI API Reference

This part contains one chapter:

- [Chapter 8, "OCCI Classes and Methods"](#)

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# OCCI Classes and Methods

This chapter describes the OCCI classes and methods for C++.

The topics discussed include:

- [Summary of OCCI Classes](#) on page 8-2
- [OCCI Classes and Methods](#) on page 8-3

## Summary of OCCI Classes

**Table 8–1** provides a brief description of all the OCCI classes. This section is followed by detailed descriptions of each class and its methods.

**Table 8–1** OCCI Classes

Class	Description
<a href="#">Bfile Class</a> on page 8-5	Provides access to a SQL BFILE value.
<a href="#">Blob Class</a> on page 8-12	Provides access to a SQL BLOB value.
<a href="#">Bytes Class</a> on page 8-23	Examines individual bytes of a sequence for comparing bytes, searching bytes, and extracting bytes.
<a href="#">Clob Class</a> on page 8-26	Provides access to a SQL CLOB value.
<a href="#">Connection Class</a> on page 8-38	Represents a connection with a specific database.
<a href="#">ConnectionPool Class</a> on page 8-43	Represents a connection pool with a specific database.
<a href="#">Date Class</a> on page 8-49	Specifies abstraction for SQL DATE data items. Also provides formatting and parsing operations to support the OCCI escape syntax for date values.
<a href="#">Environment Class</a> on page 8-62	Provides an OCCI environment to manager memory and other resources of OCCI objects. An OCCI driver manager maps to an OCI environment handle.
<a href="#">IntervalDS Class</a> on page 8-69	Represents a period of time in terms of days, hours, minutes, and seconds.
<a href="#">IntervalYM Class</a> on page 8-81	Represents a period of time in terms of year and months.
<a href="#">Map Class</a> on page 8-92	Used to store the mapping of the SQL structured type to C++ classes.
<a href="#">MetaData Class</a> on page 8-94	Used to determine types and properties of columns in a <code>ResultSet</code> , that of existing schema objects in the database, or the database as a whole.
<a href="#">Number Class</a> on page 8-101	Provides control over rounding behavior.
<a href="#">PObject Class</a> on page 8-126	When defining types, enables specification of persistent or transient instances. Class instances derived from <code>PObject</code> can be either persistent or transient. If persistent, a class instance derived from <code>PObject</code> inherits from the <code>PObject</code> class; if transient, there is no inheritance.

**Table 8–1 OCCI Classes (Cont.)**

Class	Description
<a href="#">Ref Class</a> on page 8-132	The mapping in C++ for the SQL REF value, which is a reference to a SQL structured type value in the database.
<a href="#">RefAny Class</a> on page 8-139	The mapping in C++ for the SQL REF value, which is a reference to a SQL structured type value in the database.
<a href="#">ResultSet Class</a> on page 8-142	Provides access to a table of data generated by executing an OCCI Statement.
<a href="#">SQLException Class</a> on page 8-165	Provides information on database access errors.
<a href="#">Statement Class</a> on page 8-167	Used for executing SQL statements, including both query statements and insert / update / delete statements.
<a href="#">Stream Class</a> on page 8-211	Used to provide streamed data (usually of the LONG datatype) to a prepared DML statement or stored procedure call.
<a href="#">Timestamp Class</a> on page 8-214	Specifies abstraction for SQL TIMESTAMP data items. Also provides formatting and parsing operations to support the OCCI escape syntax for time stamp values.

## OCCI Classes and Methods

OCCI classes are defined in the `oracle::occi` namespace. An OCCI class name within the `oracle::occi` namespace can be referred to in one of three ways:

- Use the scope resolution operator (`::`) for each OCCI class name.
- Use the `using` declaration for each OCCI class name.
- Use the `using` directive for all OCCI class name.

### Scope Resolution Operator

The scope resolution operator (`::`) is used to explicitly specify the `oracle::occi` namespace and the OCCI class name. To declare `myConnection`, a `Connection` object, using the scope resolution operator, you would use the following syntax:

```
oracle::occi::Connection myConnection;
```

### using Declaration

The `using` declaration is used when the OCCI class name can be used in a compilation unit without conflict. To declare the OCCI class name in the `oracle::occi` namespace, you would use the following syntax:

```
using oracle::occi::Connection;
```

`Connection` now refers to `oracle::occi::Connection`, and `myConnection` can be declared as:

```
Connection myConnection;
```

### using Directive

The `using` directive is used when all OCCI class names can be used in a compilation unit without conflict. To declare all OCCI class names in the `oracle::occi` namespace, you would use the following syntax:

```
using oracle::occi;
```

Then, just as with the `using` declaration, the following declaration would now refer to the OCCI class `Connection`:

```
Connection myConnection;
```



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## Bfile Class

The `Bfile` class defines the common properties of objects of type `BFILE`. A `BFILE` is a large binary file stored in an operating system file outside of the Oracle database. A `Bfile` object contains a logical pointer to a `BFILE`, not the `BFILE` itself.

Methods of the `Bfile` class enable you to perform specific tasks related to `Bfile` objects.

Methods of the `ResultSet` and `Statement` classes, such as `getBfile()` and `setBfile()`, enable you to access a SQL `BFILE` value.

To create a null `Bfile` object, use the syntax:

```
Bfile();
```

The only methods valid on a null `Bfile` object are `setNull()`, `isNull()`, and `operator=()`.

To create an uninitialized `Bfile` object, use the syntax:

```
Bfile(const Connection *connection);
```

An uninitialized `Bfile` object can be initialized by:

- The `setName()` method. The `BFILE` can then be modified by inserting this `BFILE` into the table and then retrieving it using `SELECT ... FOR UPDATE`. The `write()` method will modify the `BFILE`; however, the modified data will be flushed to the table only when the transaction is committed. Note that an insert is not required.
- Assigning an initialized `Bfile` object to it.

To create a copy of an existing `Bfile` object, use the syntax:

```
Bfile(const Bfile &srcBfile);
```

## Summary of Bfile Methods

**Table 8–2 Bfile Methods**

Method	Summary
<code>close()</code> on page 8-6	Close a previously opened <code>BFILE</code> .
<code>closeStream()</code> on page 8-6	Close the stream obtained from the <code>BFILE</code> .

**Table 8–2 Bfile Methods (Cont.)**

<b>Method</b>	<b>Summary</b>
<a href="#">fileExists()</a> on page 8-7	Test whether the BFILE exists.
<a href="#">getDirAlias()</a> on page 8-7	Return the directory alias of the BFILE.
<a href="#">getFileName()</a> on page 8-7	Return the name of the BFILE.
<a href="#">getStream()</a> on page 8-7	Return data from the BFILE as a <code>Stream</code> object.
<a href="#">isInitialized()</a> on page 8-8	Test whether the <code>Bfile</code> object is initialized.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-8	Test whether the <code>Bfile</code> object is atomically null.
<a href="#">isOpen()</a> on page 8-8	Test whether the BFILE is open.
<a href="#">length()</a> on page 8-9	Return the number of bytes in the BFILE.
<a href="#">open()</a> on page 8-9	Open the BFILE with read-only access.
<a href="#">operator=()</a> on page 8-9	Assign a BFILE locator to the <code>Bfile</code> object.
<a href="#">operator==()</a> on page 8-9	Test whether two <code>Bfile</code> objects are equal.
<a href="#">operator!=()</a> on page 8-10	Test whether two <code>Bfile</code> objects are not equal.
<a href="#">read()</a> on page 8-10	Read a specified portion of the BFILE into a buffer.
<a href="#">setName()</a> on page 8-11	Set the directory alias and file name of the BFILE.
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-11	Set the <code>Bfile</code> object to atomically null.

## **close()**

This method closes a previously opened BFILE.

### **Syntax**

```
void close();
```

## **closeStream()**

This method closes the stream obtained from the BFILE.

### **Syntax**

```
void closeStream(Stream *stream);
```

### Parameters

#### **stream**

The stream to be closed.

## **fileExists()**

This method tests whether the BFILE exists. If the BFILE exists, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

#### **Syntax**

```
bool fileExists() const;
```

## **getDirAlias()**

This method returns a string containing the directory alias associated with the BFILE.

#### **Syntax**

```
string getDirAlias() const;
```

## **getFileName()**

This method returns a string containing the file name associated with the BFILE.

#### **Syntax**

```
string getFileName() const;
```

## **getStream()**

This method returns a `Stream` object read from the BFILE. If a stream is already open, it is disallowed to open another stream on the `Bfile` object. The stream must be closed before performing any `Bfile` object operations.

#### **Syntax**

```
Stream* getStream(unsigned int offset = 1,  
                 unsigned int amount = 0);
```

**Parameters****offset**

The starting position at which to begin reading data from the BFILE. If *offset* is not specified, the data is written from the beginning of the BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

**amount**

The total number of bytes to be read from the BFILE; if *amount* is 0, the data will be read in a streamed mode from input *offset* until the end of the BFILE.

**isInitialized()**

This method tests whether the `Bfile` object has been initialized. If the `Bfile` object has been initialized, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isInitialized() const;
```

**isNull()**

This method tests whether the `Bfile` object is atomically null. If the `Bfile` object is atomically null, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull() const;
```

**isOpen()**

This method tests whether the BFILE is open. The BFILE is considered to be open only if it was opened by a call on this `Bfile` object. (A different `Bfile` object could have opened this file as more than one open can be performed on the same file by associating the file with different `Bfile` objects). If the BFILE is open, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isOpen() const;
```

## length()

This method returns the number of bytes (inclusive of the end of file marker) in the BFILE.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int length() const;
```

## open()

This method opens an existing BFILE for read-only access. This function is meaningful the first time it is called for a Bfile object.

### Syntax

```
void open();
```

## operator=()

This method assigns a Bfile object to the current Bfile object. The source Bfile object is assigned to this Bfile object only when this Bfile object gets stored in the database.

### Syntax

```
Bfile& operator=(const Bfile &srcBfile);
```

### Parameters

#### srcBfile

The Bfile object to be assigned to the current Bfile object.

## operator==( )

This method compares two Bfile objects for equality. The Bfile objects are equal if they both refer to the same BFILE. If the Bfile objects are null, then false is returned. If the Bfile objects are equal, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator==(const Bfile &srcBfile) const;
```

**Parameters****srcBfile**

The `Bfile` object to be compared with the current `Bfile` object.

**operator!=(())**

This method compares two `Bfile` objects for inequality. The `Bfile` objects are equal if they both refer to the same `BFILE`. If the `Bfile` objects are not equal, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator!=(const Bfile &srcBfile) const;
```

**Parameters****srcBfile**

The `Bfile` object to be compared with the current `Bfile` object.

**read()**

This method reads a part or all of the `BFILE` into the buffer specified, and returns the number of bytes read.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int read(unsigned int amt,  
                 unsigned char *buffer,  
                 unsigned int bufsize,  
                 unsigned int offset = 1) const;
```

**Parameters****amt**

The number of bytes to be read.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

**buffer**

The buffer that the BFILE data is to be read into.

Valid values are:

A number greater than or equal to *amt*.

**bufsize**

The size of the buffer that the BFILE data is to be read into.

Valid values are:

A number greater than or equal to *amt*.

**offset**

The starting position at which to begin reading data from the BFILE. If *offset* is not specified, the data is written from the beginning of the BFILE.

**setName()**

This method sets the directory alias and file name of the BFILE.

**Syntax**

```
void setName(const string &dirAlias,  
            const string &fileName);
```

**Parameters****dirAlias**

The directory alias to be associated with the BFILE.

**fileName**

The file name to be associated with the BFILE.

**setNull()**

This method sets the `Bfile` object to atomically null.

**Syntax**

```
void setNull();
```

## Blob Class

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The `Blob` class defines the common properties of objects of type BLOB. A BLOB is a large binary object stored as a column value in a row of a database table. A `Blob` object contains a logical pointer to a BLOB, not the BLOB itself.

Methods of the `Blob` class enable you to perform specific tasks related to `Blob` objects.

Methods of the `ResultSet` and `Statement` classes, such as `getBlob()` and `setBlob()`, enable you to access an SQL BLOB value.

To create a null `Blob` object, use the syntax:

```
Blob();
```

The only methods valid on a null `Blob` object are `setNull()`, `isNull()`, and `operator=()`.

To create an uninitialized `Blob` object, use the syntax:

```
Blob(const Connection *connectionp);
```

An uninitialized `Blob` object can be initialized by:

- The `setEmpty()` method. The BLOB can then be modified by inserting this BLOB into the table and then retrieving it using `SELECT ... FOR UPDATE`. The `write()` method will modify the BLOB; however, the modified data will be flushed to the table only when the transaction is committed. Note that an update is not required.
- Assigning an initialized `Blob` object to it.

To create a copy of a `Blob` object, use the syntax:

```
Blob(const Blob &srcBlob);
```

## Summary of Blob Methods

**Table 8–3** *Blob Methods*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">append()</a> on page 8-13	Append a specified BLOB to the end of the current BLOB.



**Table 8–3 Blob Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Summary
<code>close()</code> on page 8-14	Close a previously opened BLOB.
<code>closeStream()</code> on page 8-14	Close the <code>Stream</code> object obtained from the BLOB.
<code>copy()</code> on page 8-14	Copy a specified portion of a BFILE or BLOB into the current BLOB.
<code>getChunkSize()</code> on page 8-15	Return the chunk size of the BLOB.
<code>getStream()</code> on page 8-16	Return data from the BLOB as a <code>Stream</code> object.
<code>isInitialized()</code> on page 8-16	Test whether the <code>Blob</code> object is initialized
<code>isNull()</code> on page 8-16	Test whether the <code>Blob</code> object is atomically null.
<code>isOpen()</code> on page 8-17	Test whether the BLOB is open
<code>length()</code> on page 8-17	Return the number of bytes in the BLOB.
<code>open()</code> on page 8-17	Open the BLOB with read or read/write access.
<code>operator=()</code> on page 8-17	Assign a BLOB locator to the <code>Blob</code> object.
<code>operator==()</code> on page 8-18	Test whether two <code>Blob</code> objects are equal.
<code>operator!=()</code> on page 8-18	Test whether two <code>Blob</code> objects are not equal.
<code>read()</code> on page 8-18	Read a portion of the BLOB into a buffer.
<code>setEmpty()</code> on page 8-19	Set the <code>Blob</code> object to empty.
<code>setEmpty()</code> on page 8-19	Set the <code>Blob</code> object to empty and initializes the connection pointer to the passed parameter.
<code>setNull()</code> on page 8-20	Set the <code>Blob</code> object to atomically null.
<code>trim()</code> on page 8-20	Truncate the BLOB to a specified length.
<code>write()</code> on page 8-20	Write a buffer into an <i>unopened</i> BLOB.
<code>writeChunk()</code> on page 8-21	Write a buffer into an <i>open</i> BLOB.

## append()

This method appends a BLOB to the end of the current BLOB.

### Syntax

```
void append(const Blob &srcBlob);
```

### Parameters

#### **srcBlob**

The BLOB to be appended to the current BLOB.

## close()

This method closes a BLOB.

#### **Syntax**

```
void close();
```

## closeStream()

This method closes the Stream object obtained from the BLOB.

#### **Syntax**

```
void closeStream(Stream *stream);
```

### Parameters

#### **stream**

The Stream object to be closed.

## copy()

This method copies a part or all of the BFILE or BLOB into the current BLOB.

#### **Syntax**

There are variants of syntax:

```
void copy(const Bfile &srcBfile,  
         unsigned int numBytes,  
         unsigned int dstOffset = 1,  
         unsigned int srcOffset = 1);
```

```
void copy(const Blob &srcBlob,  
         unsigned int numBytes,  
         unsigned int dstOffset = 1,  
         unsigned int srcOffset = 1);
```

## Parameters

### **srcBfile**

The BFILE from which the data is to be copied.

### **srcBlob**

The BLOB from which the data is to be copied.

### **numBytes**

The number of bytes to be copied from the source BFILE or BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than 0.

### **dstOffset**

The starting position at which to begin writing data into the current BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

### **srcOffset**

The starting position at which to begin reading data from the source BFILE or BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

## **getChunkSize()**

This method returns the chunk size of the BLOB.

When creating a table that contains a BLOB, the user can specify the chunking factor, which can be a multiple of Oracle blocks. This corresponds to the chunk size used by the LOB data layer when accessing or modifying the BLOB.

### **Syntax**

```
unsigned int getChunkSize() const;
```

## getStream()

This method returns a `Stream` object from the BLOB. If a stream is already open, it is disallowed to open another stream on `Blob` object, so the user must always close the stream before performing any `Blob` object operations.

### Syntax

```
Stream* getStream(unsigned int offset = 1,  
                 unsigned int amount = 0);
```

### Parameters

#### offset

The starting position at which to begin reading data from the BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

#### amount

The total number of consecutive bytes to be read. If *amount* is 0, the data will be read from the *offset* value until the end of the BLOB.

## isInitialized()

This method tests whether the `Blob` object is initialized. If the `Blob` object is initialized, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool isInitialized() const;
```

## isNull()

This method tests whether the `Blob` object is atomically null. If the `Blob` object is atomically null, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool isNull() const;
```

## isOpen()

This method tests whether the BLOB is open. If the BLOB is open, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool isOpen() const;
```

## length()

This method returns the number of bytes in the BLOB.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int length() const;
```

## open()

This method opens the BLOB in read/write or read-only mode.

### Syntax

```
void open(LobOpenMode mode = OCCI_LOB_READWRITE);
```

### Parameters

#### mode

The mode the BLOB is to be opened in.

Valid values are:

```
OCCI_LOB_READWRITE
```

```
OCCI_LOB_READONLY
```

## operator=()

This method assigns a BLOB to the current BLOB. The source BLOB gets copied to the destination BLOB only when the destination BLOB gets stored in the table.

### Syntax

```
Blob& operator=(const Blob &srcBlob);
```

### Parameters

#### **srcBlob**

The BLOB to copy data from.

## **operator==( )**

This method compares two `Blob` objects for equality. Two `Blob` objects are equal if they both refer to the same BLOB. Two null `Blob` objects are not considered equal. If the `Blob` objects are equal, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator==(const Blob &srcBlob) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **srcBlob**

The `Blob` object to be compared with the current `Blob` object.

## **operator!= ( )**

This method compares two `Blob` objects for inequality. Two `Blob` objects are equal if they both refer to the same BLOB. Two null `Blob` objects are not considered equal. If the `Blob` objects are not equal, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator!=(const Blob &srcBlob) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **srcBlob**

The `Blob` object to be compared with the current `Blob` object.

## **read()**

This method reads a part or all of the BLOB into a buffer. The actual number of bytes read is returned.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int read(unsigned int amt,  
                unsigned char *buffer,  
                unsigned int bufsize,  
                unsigned int offset = 1) const;
```

**Parameters****amt**

The number of consecutive bytes to be read from the BLOB.

**buffer**

The buffer into which the BLOB data is to be read.

**bufsize**

The size of the buffer.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to *amount*.

**offset**

The starting position at which to begin reading data from the BLOB. If *offset* is not specified, the data is written from the beginning of the BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

**setEmpty()**

This method sets the `Blob` object to empty.

**Syntax**

```
void setEmpty();
```

**setEmpty()**

This method sets the `Blob` object to empty and initializes the connection pointer to the passed parameter.

**Syntax**

```
void setEmpty(const Connection* connectionp);
```

**Parameters**

**connectionp**

The new connection pointer for the Blob object.

## setNull()

This method sets the Blob object to atomically null.

**Syntax**

```
void setNull();
```

## trim()

This method truncates the BLOB to the new length specified.

**Syntax**

```
void trim(unsigned int newlen);
```

**Parameters**

**newlen**

The new length of the BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers less than or equal to the current length of the BLOB.

## write()

This method writes data from a buffer into a BLOB. This method implicitly opens the BLOB, copies the buffer into the BLOB, and implicitly closes the BLOB. If the BLOB is already open, use `writeChunk()` instead. The actual number of bytes written is returned.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int write(unsigned int amt,  
                  unsigned char *buffer,
```



```
unsigned int bufsize,  
unsigned int offset = 1);
```

### Parameters

#### **amt**

The number of consecutive bytes to be written to the BLOB.

#### **buffer**

The buffer containing the data to be written to the BLOB.

#### **bufsize**

The size of the buffer containing the data to be written to the BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to *amt*.

#### **offset**

The starting position at which to begin writing data into the BLOB. If *offset* is not specified, the data is written from the beginning of the BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

## **writeChunk()**

This method writes data from a buffer into a previously opened BLOB. The actual number of bytes written is returned.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int writeChunk(unsigned int amt,  
    unsigned char *buffer,  
    unsigned int bufsize,  
    unsigned int offset = 1);
```

### Parameters

#### **amt**

The number of consecutive bytes to be written to the BLOB.

**buffer**

The buffer containing the data to be written.

**bufsize**

The size of the buffer containing the data to be written.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to *amt*.

**offset**

The starting position at which to begin writing data into the BLOB. If *offset* is not specified, the data is written from the beginning of the BLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

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## Bytes Class

Methods of the `Bytes` class enable you to perform specific tasks related to `Bytes` objects.

To create a `Bytes` object, use the syntax:

```
Bytes(Environment *env = NULL);
```

To create a `Bytes` object that contains a subarray of bytes from a character array, use the syntax:

```
Bytes(unsigned char *value,
      unsigned int count,
      unsigned int offset = 0,
      Environment *env = NULL);
```

To create a copy of a `Bytes` object, use the syntax:

```
Bytes(const Bytes &e);
```

## Summary of Bytes Methods

**Table 8–4 Bytes Methods**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">byteAt()</a> on page 8-23	Return the byte at the specified position of the <code>Bytes</code> object.
<a href="#">getBytes()</a> on page 8-24	Return a byte array from the <code>Bytes</code> object.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-24	Test whether the <code>Bytes</code> object is null.
<a href="#">length()</a> on page 8-25	Return the number of bytes in the <code>Bytes</code> object.
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-25	Set the <code>Bytes</code> object to null.

### byteAt()

This method returns the byte at the specified position in the `Bytes` object.

#### Syntax

```
unsigned char byteAt(unsigned int index) const;
```

**Parameters****index**

The position of the byte to be returned from the `Bytes` object; the first byte of the `Bytes` object is at 0.

**getBytes()**

This method copies bytes from a `Bytes` object into the specified byte array.

**Syntax**

```
void getBytes(unsigned char *dst,  
             unsigned int count,  
             unsigned int srcBegin = 0,  
             unsigned int dstBegin = 0) const;
```

**Parameters****dst**

The destination buffer into which data from the `Bytes` object is to be written.

**count**

The number of bytes to copy.

**srcBegin**

The starting position at which data is to be read from the `Bytes` object; the position of the first byte in the `Bytes` object is at 0.

**dstBegin**

The starting position at which data is to be written in the destination buffer; the position of the first byte in `dst` is at 0.

**isNull()**

This method tests whether the `Bytes` object is atomically null. If the `Bytes` object is atomically null, then `true` is returned; otherwise `false` is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull() const;
```

## length()

This method returns the length of the `Bytes` object.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int length() const;
```

## setNull()

This method sets the `Bytes` object to atomically null.

### Syntax

```
void setNull();
```

## Clob Class

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The Clob class defines the common properties of objects of type CLOB. A CLOB is a large character object stored as a column value in a row of a database table. A Clob object contains a logical pointer to a CLOB, not the CLOB itself.

Methods of the Clob class enable you to perform specific tasks related to Clob objects, including methods for getting the length of a SQL CLOB, for materializing a CLOB on the client, and for extracting a part of the CLOB.

Methods in the `ResultSet` and `Statement` classes, such as `getClob()` and `setClob()`, enable you to access an SQL CLOB value.

To create a null Clob object, use the syntax:

```
Clob();
```

The only methods valid on a null Clob object are `setNull()`, `isNull()`, and `operator=()`.

To create an uninitialized Clob object, use the syntax:

```
Clob(const Connection *connectionp);
```

An uninitialized Clob object can be initialized by:

- The `setEmpty()` method. The CLOB can then be modified by inserting this CLOB into the table and retrieving it using `SELECT ... FOR UPDATE`. The `write()` method will modify the CLOB; however, the modified data will be flushed to the table only when the transaction is committed. Note that an `insert` is not required.
- Assigning an initialized Clob object to it.

To create a copy of a Clob object, use the syntax:

```
Clob(const Clob &srcClob);
```

## Summary of Clob Methods

*Table 8–5 Clob Methods*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">append()</a> on page 8-28	Append a CLOB at the end of the current CLOB.

**Table 8–5 Clob Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">close()</a> on page 8-28	Close a previously opened CLOB.
<a href="#">closeStream()</a> on page 8-28	Close the <code>Stream</code> object obtained from the current CLOB.
<a href="#">copy()</a> on page 8-28	Copy all or a portion of a CLOB or BFILE into the current CLOB.
<a href="#">getCharSetForm()</a> on page 8-29	Return the character set form of the CLOB.
<a href="#">getCharSetId()</a> on page 8-30	Return the character set ID of the CLOB.
<a href="#">getChunkSize()</a> on page 8-30	Return the chunk size of the CLOB.
<a href="#">getStream()</a> on page 8-30	Return data from the CLOB as a <code>Stream</code> object.
<a href="#">isInitialized()</a> on page 8-31	Test whether the <code>Clob</code> object is initialized.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-31	Test whether the <code>Clob</code> object is atomically null.
<a href="#">isOpen()</a> on page 8-31	Test whether the CLOB is open.
<a href="#">length()</a> on page 8-31	Return the number of characters in the current CLOB.
<a href="#">open()</a> on page 8-32	Open the CLOB with read or read/write access.
<a href="#">operator=()</a> on page 8-32	Assign a CLOB locator to the current <code>Clob</code> object.
<a href="#">operator==(())</a> on page 8-32	Test whether two <code>Clob</code> objects are equal.
<a href="#">operator!=(())</a> on page 8-33	Test whether two <code>Clob</code> objects are not equal.
<a href="#">read()</a> on page 8-33	Read a portion of the CLOB into a buffer.
<a href="#">setCharSetId()</a> on page 8-34	Sets the character set ID associated with the CLOB.
<a href="#">setCharSetForm()</a> on page 8-34	Sets the character set form associated with the CLOB.
<a href="#">setCharSetForm()</a> on page 8-34	Set the <code>Clob</code> object to empty.
<a href="#">setEmpty()</a> on page 8-35	Set the <code>Clob</code> object to empty and initialize the connection pointer to the passed parameter.
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-35	Set the <code>Clob</code> object to atomically null.
<a href="#">trim()</a> on page 8-35	Truncate the CLOB to a specified length.
<a href="#">write()</a> on page 8-36	Write a buffer into an <i>unopened</i> CLOB.
<a href="#">writeChunk()</a> on page 8-37	Write a buffer into an <i>open</i> CLOB.

## append()

This method appends a CLOB to the end of the current CLOB.

### Syntax

```
void append(const Clob &srcClob);
```

### Parameters

#### srcClob

The CLOB to be appended to the current CLOB.

## close()

This method closes a CLOB.

### Syntax

```
void close();
```

## closeStream()

This method closes the `Stream` object obtained from the CLOB.

### Syntax

```
void closeStream(Stream *stream);
```

### Parameters

#### stream

The `Stream` object to be closed.

## copy()

This method copies a part or all of a BFILE or CLOB into the current CLOB.

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
void copy(const Bfile &srcBfile,  
         unsigned int numBytes,
```



```
    unsigned int dstOffset = 1,  
    unsigned int srcOffset = 1);  
  
void copy(const Clob &srcClob,  
    unsigned int numBytes,  
    unsigned int dstOffset = 1,  
    unsigned int srcOffset = 1);
```

### Parameters

#### **srcBfile**

The BFILE from which the data is to be copied.

#### **srcClob**

The CLOB from which the data is to be copied.

#### **numBytes**

The number of characters to be copied from the source BFILE or CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than 0.

#### **dstOffset**

The starting position at which to begin writing data into the current CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

#### **srcOffset**

The starting position at which to begin reading data from the source BFILE or CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

## **getCharSetForm()**

This method returns the character set form of the CLOB.

**Syntax**

```
CharSetForm getCharSetForm() const;
```

**getCharSetId()**

This method returns the character set ID of the CLOB, in string form.

**Syntax**

```
string getCharSetId() const;
```

**getChunkSize()**

This method returns the chunk size of the CLOB.

When creating a table that contains a CLOB, the user can specify the chunking factor, which can be a multiple of Oracle blocks. This corresponds to the chunk size used by the LOB data layer when accessing and modifying the CLOB.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getChunkSize() const;
```

**getStream()**

This method returns a `Stream` object from the CLOB. If a stream is already open, it is disallowed to open another stream on `Clob` object, so the user must always close the stream before performing any `Clob` object operations. The client's character set id and form will be used by default, unless they are explicitly set through `setCharSetId()` and `setCharSetForm()` calls.

**Syntax**

```
Stream* getStream(unsigned int offset = 1,  
                 unsigned int amount = 0);
```

**Parameter****offset**

The starting position at which to begin reading data from the CLOB. If `offset` is not specified, the data is written from the beginning of the CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

**amount**

The total number of consecutive characters to be read. If *amount* is 0, the data will be read from the *offset* value until the end of the CLOB.

**isInitialized()**

This method tests whether the Clob object is initialized. If the Clob object is initialized, true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isInitialized() const;
```

**isNull()**

This method tests whether the Clob object is atomically null. If the Clob object is atomically null, true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull() const;
```

**isOpen()**

This method tests whether the CLOB is open. If the CLOB is open, true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isOpen() const;
```

**length()**

This method returns the number of characters in the CLOB.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int length() const;
```

## open()

This method opens the CLOB in read/write or read-only mode.

### Syntax

```
void open(LobOpenMode mode = OCCI_LOB_READWRITE);
```

### Parameters

#### mode

The mode the CLOB is to be opened in.

Valid values are:

```
OCCI_LOB_READWRITE
```

```
OCCI_LOB_READONLY
```

## operator=()

This method assigns a CLOB to the current CLOB. The source CLOB gets copied to the destination CLOB only when the destination CLOB gets stored in the table.

### Syntax

```
Clob& operator=(const Clob &srcClob);
```

### Parameters

#### srcClob

The CLOB to copy data from.

## operator==( )

This method compares two Clob objects for equality. Two Clob objects are equal if they both refer to the same CLOB. Two null Clob objects are not considered equal. If the Clob objects are equal, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator==(const Clob &srcClob) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **srcClob**

The Clob object to be compared with the current Clob object.

## operator!=(())

This method compares two Clob objects for inequality. Two Clob objects are equal if they both refer to the same CLOB. Two null Clob objects are not considered equal. If the Clob objects are not equal, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

#### **Syntax**

```
bool operator!=(const Clob &srcClob) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **srcClob**

The Clob object to be compared with the current Clob object.

## read()

This method reads a part or all of the CLOB into a buffer. The actual number of characters read is returned. The client's character set id and form will be used by default, unless they are explicitly set through [setCharSetId\(\)](#) and [setCharSetForm\(\)](#) calls.

#### **Syntax**

```
unsigned int read(unsigned int amt,  
    unsigned char *buffer,  
    unsigned int bufsize,  
    unsigned int offset = 1) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **amt**

The number of consecutive characters to be read from the CLOB.

#### **buffer**

The buffer into which the CLOB data is to be read.

**bufsize**

The size of the buffer.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to *amt*.

**offset**

The position at which to begin reading data from the CLOB. If *offset* is not specified, the data is read from the beginning of the CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

## setCharSetId()

This method sets the Character set Id associated with `Clob`. The charset id set will be used for read/read/write and `getStream()` operations. If no value is set explicitly, the default client's character set id is used.

List of character sets supported is given in Globalization Support Guide Appendix A.

**Syntax**

```
void setCharSetId( const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &charset);
```

## setCharSetForm()

Sets the character set form associated with the CLOB. The charset form set will be used for read/write and `getStream()` operations. If no value is set explicitly, by default, `OCCI_SQLCS_IMPLICIT` will be used.

**Syntax**

```
void setCharSetForm( CharSetForm csfrm );
```

**Parameters****csfrm**

The char set form for `Clob`.

## setEmpty()

This method sets the Clob object to empty.

### Syntax

```
void setEmpty();
```

## setEmpty()

This method sets the Clob object to empty and initializes the connection pointer to the passed parameter.

### Syntax

```
void setEmpty( const Connection* connectionp);
```

### Parameters

#### connectionp

The new connection pointer for the Clob object.

## setNull()

This method sets the Clob object to atomically null.

### Syntax

```
void setNull();
```

## trim()

This method truncates the CLOB to the new length specified.

### Syntax

```
void trim(unsigned int newlen);
```

### Parameters

#### newlen

The new length of the CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers less than or equal to the current length of the CLOB.

## **write()**

This method writes data from a buffer into a CLOB. This method implicitly opens the CLOB, copies the buffer into the CLOB, and implicitly closes the CLOB. If the CLOB is already open, use `writeChunk()` instead. The actual number of characters written is returned. The client's character set id and form will be used by default, unless they are explicitly set through `setCharSetId()` and `setCharSetForm()` calls.

### **Syntax**

```
unsigned int write(unsigned int amt,  
    unsigned char *buffer,  
    unsigned int bufsize,  
    unsigned int offset = 1);
```

### **Parameters**

#### **amt**

The number of consecutive characters to be written to the CLOB.

#### **buffer**

The buffer containing the data to be written to the CLOB.

#### **bufsize**

The size of the buffer containing the data to be written to the CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to *amt*.

#### **offset**

The position at which to begin writing data into the CLOB. If *offset* is not specified, the data is written from the beginning of the CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.



## writeChunk()

This method writes data from a buffer into a previously opened CLOB. The actual number of characters written is returned. The client's character set id and form will be used by default, unless they are explicitly set through `setCharSetId()` and `setCharSetForm()` calls.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int writechunk(unsigned int amt,  
    unsigned char *buffer,  
    unsigned int bufsize,  
    unsigned int offset = 1);
```

### Parameters

#### **amt**

The number of consecutive characters to be written to the CLOB.

#### **buffer**

The buffer containing the data to be written to the CLOB.

#### **bufsize**

The size of the buffer containing the data to be written to the CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to *amt*.

#### **offset**

The position at which to begin writing data into the CLOB. If *offset* is not specified, the data is written from the beginning of the CLOB.

Valid values are:

Numbers greater than or equal to 1.

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## Connection Class

The `Connection` class represents a connection with a specific database. Within the context of a connection, SQL statements are executed and results are returned.

To create a connection, use the syntax:

```
Connection();
```

### Summary of Connection Methods

**Table 8–6 Connection Methods**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">changePassword()</a> on page 8-39	Change the password for the current user.
<a href="#">commit()</a> on page 8-39	Commit changes made since the previous commit or rollback and release any database locks held by the session.
<a href="#">createStatement()</a> on page 8-39	Create a <code>Statement</code> object to execute SQL statements.
<a href="#">flushCache()</a> on page 8-40	Flush the object cache associated with the connection.
<a href="#">getClientCharSet()</a> on page 8-40	Return the default client character set.
<a href="#">getClientNCHARCharSet()</a> on page 8-40	Return the default client NCHAR character set.
<a href="#">getMetaData()</a> on page 8-40	Return the metadata for an object accessible from the connection.
<a href="#">getOCIServer()</a> on page 8-41	Return the OCI server context associated with the connection.
<a href="#">getOCIServiceContext()</a> on page 8-42	Return the OCI service context associated with the connection.
<a href="#">getOCISession()</a> on page 8-42	Return the OCI session context associated with the connection.
<a href="#">rollback()</a> on page 8-42	Roll back all changes made since the previous commit or rollback and release any database locks held by the session.
<a href="#">terminateStatement()</a> on page 8-42	Close a <code>Statement</code> object and free all resources associated with it.

## changePassword()

This method changes the password of the user currently connected to the database.

### Syntax

```
void changePassword(const string &user,  
    const string &oldPassword,  
    const string &newPassword);
```

### Parameters

#### user

The user currently connected to the database.

#### oldPassword

The current password of the user.

#### newPassword

The new password of the user.

## commit()

This method commits all changes made since the previous commit or rollback, and releases any database locks currently held by the session.

### Syntax

```
void commit();
```

## createStatement()

This method creates a `Statement` object with the SQL statement specified.

### Syntax

```
Statement* createStatement(const string &sql = "");
```

### Parameters

#### sql

The SQL string to be associated with the statement object.

## flushCache()

This method flushes the object cache associated with the connection.

### Syntax

```
void flushCache();
```

## getClientCharSet()

This method returns the session's character set.

### Syntax

```
string getClientCharSet() const;
```

## getClientNCHARCharSet()

This method returns the session's NCHAR character set.

### Syntax

```
string getClientNCHARCharSet() const;
```

## getMetaData()

This method returns metadata for an object in the database.

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
MetaData getMetaData(const string &object,  
    MetaData::ParamType prmtyp = MetaData::PTYPE_UNK) const;
```

```
MetaData getMetaData(const RefAny &ref) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **object**

The schema object to be described.

**prmtyp**

The type of the schema object being described. The possible values for this are enumerated by `MetaData::ParamType`.

Valid values are:

`PTYPE_TABLE`—table

`PTYPE_VIEW`—view

`PTYPE_PROC`—procedure

`PTYPE_FUNC`—function

`PTYPE_PKG`—package

`PTYPE_TYPE`—type

`PTYPE_TYPE_ATTR`—attribute of a type

`PTYPE_TYPE_COLL`—collection type information

`PTYPE_TYPE_METHOD`—a method of a type

`PTYPE_SYN`—synonym

`PTYPE_SEQ`—sequence

`PTYPE_COL`—column of a table or view

`PTYPE_ARG`—argument of a function or procedure

`PTYPE_TYPE_ARG`—argument of a type method

`PTYPE_TYPE_RESULT`—the results of a method

`PTYPE_SCHEMA`—schema

`PTYPE_DATABASE`—database

`PTYPE_UNK`—type unknown

**ref**

A REF to the Type Descriptor Object (TDO) of the type to be described.

**getOCIServer()**

This method returns the OCI server context associated with the connection.

**Syntax**

```
LNOCIServer* getOCIServer() const;
```

## getOCIServiceContext()

This method returns the OCI service context associated with the connection.

**Syntax**

```
LNOCISvcCtx* getOCIServiceContext() const;
```

## getOCISession()

This method returns the OCI session context associated with the connection.

**Syntax**

```
LNOCISession* getOCISession() const;
```

## rollback()

This method drops all changes made since the previous commit or rollback, and releases any database locks currently held by the **session**.

**Syntax**

```
void rollback();
```

## terminateStatement()

This method closes a `Statement` object and frees all resources associated with it.

**Syntax**

```
void terminateStatement(Statement *statement);
```

**Parameters**

**statement**

The `Statement` to be closed.

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## ConnectionPool Class

The ConnectionPool class represents a pool of connections for a specific database.

To create a connection pool, use the syntax:

```
ConnectionPool();
```

### Summary of ConnectionPool Methods

*Table 8-7 ConnectionPool Methods*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">createConnection()</a> on page 8-44	Create a pooled connection.
<a href="#">createProxyConnection()</a> on page 8-44	Create a proxy connection.
<a href="#">getBusyConnections()</a> on page 8-45	Return the number of busy connections in the connection pool.
<a href="#">getIncrConnections()</a> on page 8-45	Return the number of incremental connections in the connection pool.
<a href="#">getMaxConnections()</a> on page 8-45	Return the maximum number of connections in the connection pool.
<a href="#">getMinConnections()</a> on page 8-46	Return the minimum number of connections in the connection pool.
<a href="#">getOpenConnections()</a> on page 8-46	Return the number of open connections in the connection pool.
<a href="#">getPoolName()</a> on page 8-46	Return the name of the connection pool.
<a href="#">getTimeOut()</a> on page 8-46	Return the time-out period for a connection in the connection pool.
<a href="#">setErrorOnBusy()</a> on page 8-46	Specify that a SQLException is to be generated when all connections in the connection pool are busy and no further connections can be opened.
<a href="#">setPoolSize()</a> on page 8-47	Set the minimum, maximum, and incremental number of pooled connections for the connection pool.
<a href="#">setTimeOut()</a> on page 8-46	Set the time-out period, in seconds, for a connection in the connection pool.

**Table 8–7 ConnectionPool Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">terminateConnection()</a> on page 8-47	Destroy the connection.

## createConnection()

This method creates a pooled connection.

### Syntax

```
Connection* createConnection(const string &userName,  
    const string &password);
```

### Parameters

#### userName

The name of the user to connect as.

#### password

The password of the user.

## createProxyConnection()

This method creates a proxy connection from the connection pool.

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
Connection* createProxyConnection(const string &name,  
    Connection::ProxyType proxyType = Connection::PROXY_DEFAULT);
```

```
Connection* createProxyConnection(const string &name,  
    string roles[],  
    int numRoles,  
    Connection::ProxyType proxyType = Connection::PROXY_DEFAULT);
```



## Parameters

### **name**

The user name to connect with.

### **roles**

The roles to activate on the database server.

### **numRoles**

The number of roles to activate on the database server.

### **proxyType**

The type of proxy authentication to perform.

Valid values are:

PROXY\_DEFAULT representing a database user name.

PROXY\_EXTERNAL\_AUTH representing an external user name.

## **getBusyConnections()**

This method returns the number of busy connections in the connection pool.

### **Syntax**

```
unsigned int getBusyConnections() const;
```

## **getIncrConnections()**

This method returns the number of incremental connections in the connection pool.

### **Syntax**

```
unsigned int getIncrConnections() const;
```

## **getMaxConnections()**

This method returns the maximum number of connections in the connection pool.

### **Syntax**

```
unsigned int getMaxConnections() const;
```

## getMinConnections()

This method returns the minimum number of connections in the connection pool.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getMinConnections() const;
```

## getOpenConnections()

This method returns the number of open connections in the connection pool.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getOpenConnections() const;
```

## getPoolName()

This method returns the name of the connection pool.

**Syntax**

```
string getPoolName() const;
```

## getTimeOut()

This method returns the time-out period of a connection in the connection pool.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getTimeOut() const;
```

## setErrorOnBusy()

This method specifies that a `SQLException` is to be generated when all connections in the connection pool are busy and no further connections can be opened.

**Syntax**

```
void setErrorOnBusy();
```

## setPoolSize()

This method sets the minimum, maximum, and incremental number of pooled connections for the connection pool.

### Syntax

```
void setPoolSize(unsigned int minConn = 0,  
                unsigned int maxConn = 1,  
                unsigned int incrConn = 1);
```

### Parameters

#### minConn

The minimum number of connections for the connection pool.

#### maxConn

The maximum number of connections for the connection pool.

#### incrConn

The incremental number of connections for the connection pool.

## setTimeout()

This method sets the time-out period for a connection in the connection pool. OCCI will terminate any connections related to this connection pool that have been idle for longer than the time-out period specified.

### Syntax

```
void setTimeout(unsigned int connTimeOut = 0);
```

### Parameter

#### connTimeOut

The time-out period in number of seconds.

## terminateConnection()

This method terminates the pooled connection or proxy connection.

**Syntax**

```
void terminateConnection(Connection *connection);
```

**Parameter**

**connection**

The pooled connection or proxy connection to terminate.

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## Date Class

The Date class specifies the abstraction for a SQL DATE data item. The Date class also adds formatting and parsing operations to support the OCCI escape syntax for date values.

Since SQL92 DATE is a subset of Oracle Date, this class can be used to support both.

To create a null Date object, use the syntax:

```
Date();
```

To create a copy of a Date object, use the syntax:

```
Date(const Date &a);
```

To create a Date object using integer parameters, where:

Variable	Value
year	-4712 to 9999, except 0
month	1 to 12
day	1 to 31
minutes	0 to 59
seconds	0 to 59

use the syntax:

```
Date(const Environment *envp,
      int year = 1,
      unsigned int month = 1,
      unsigned int day = 1,
      unsigned int hour = 0,
      unsigned int minute = 0,
      unsigned int seconds = 0);
```

Objects from the Date class can be used as standalone class objects in client side numerical computations and also used to fetch from and set to the database.

The following code example demonstrates a Date column value being retrieved from the database, a bind using a Date object, and a computation using a standalone Date object:

```
/* Create a connection */
Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment(Environment::DEFAULT);
Connection *conn = env->createConnection(user, passwd, db);

/* Create a statement and associate a DML statement to it */
string sqlStmt = "SELECT job-id, start_date from JOB_HISTORY
                 where end_date = :x";
Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement(sqlStmt);

/* Create a Date object and bind it to the statement */
Date edate(env, 2000, 9, 3, 23, 30, 30);
stmt->setDate(1, edate);
ResultSet *rset = stmt->executeQuery();

/* Fetch a date from the database */
while(rset->next())
{
    Date sd = rset->getDate(2);
    Date temp = sd;    /*assignment operator */
    /* Methods on Date */
    temp.getDate(year, month, day, hour, minute, second);
    temp.setMonths(2);
    IntervalDS inter = temp.daysBetween(sd);
    .
    .
    .
}
```

## Summary of Date Methods

**Table 8–8 Date Methods**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">addDays()</a> on page 8-52	Return a Date object with <i>n</i> days added.
<a href="#">addMonths()</a> on page 8-52	Return a Date object with <i>n</i> months added.
<a href="#">daysBetween()</a> on page 8-52	Return the number of days between the current Date object and the date specified.

**Table 8–8 Date Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">fromBytes()</a> on page 8-53	Convert an external <code>Bytes</code> representation of a <code>Date</code> object to a <code>Date</code> object.
<a href="#">fromText()</a> on page 8-53	Convert the date from a given input string with format and <code>nls</code> parameters specified.
<a href="#">getDate()</a> on page 8-53()	Return the date and time components of the <code>Date</code> object.
<a href="#">getSystemDate()</a> on page 8-54	Return a <code>Date</code> object containing the system date.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-55	Returns true if <code>Date</code> is null; otherwise returns false.
<a href="#">lastDay()</a> on page 8-55	Returns a <code>Date</code> that is the last day of the month.
<a href="#">nextDay()</a> on page 8-55	Returns a <code>Date</code> that is the date of the next day of the week.
<a href="#">operator=()</a> on page 8-55	Assign the values of a date to another.
<a href="#">operator==(())</a> on page 8-56	Returns true if <code>a</code> and <code>b</code> are the same, false otherwise.
<a href="#">operator!=(())</a> on page 8-56	Returns true if <code>a</code> and <code>b</code> are unequal, false otherwise.
<a href="#">operator&gt;()</a> on page 8-56	Returns true if <code>a</code> is past <code>b</code> , false otherwise.
<a href="#">operator&gt;=()</a> on page 8-57	Returns true if <code>a</code> is past <code>b</code> or equal to <code>b</code> , false otherwise.
<a href="#">operator&lt;()</a> on page 8-57	Returns true if <code>a</code> is before <code>b</code> , false otherwise.
<a href="#">operator&lt;=()</a> on page 8-58	Returns true if <code>a</code> is before <code>b</code> , or equal to <code>b</code> , false otherwise.
<a href="#">setDate()</a> on page 8-58	Set the date from the date components input.
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-59	Sets the object state to null.
<a href="#">toBytes()</a> on page 8-59	Converts the <code>Date</code> object into an external <code>Bytes</code> representation.
<a href="#">toText()</a> on page 8-59	Get the <code>Date</code> object as a string.
<a href="#">toZone()</a> on page 8-60	Return a <code>Date</code> object converted from one time zone to another.

## addDays()

This method adds a specified number of days to the `Date` object and returns the new date.

### Syntax

```
Date addDays(int i) const;
```

### Parameters

**i**

The number of days to be added to the current `Date` object.

## addMonths()

This method adds a specified number of months to the `Date` object and returns the new date.

### Syntax

```
Date addMonths(int i) const;
```

### Parameters

**i**

The number of months to be added to the current `Date` object.

## daysBetween()

This method returns the number of days between the current `Date` object and the date specified.

### Syntax

```
IntervalDS daysBetween(const Date &d) const;
```

### Parameters

**d**

The date to be used to compute the days between.



## fromBytes()

This method converts a `Bytes` object to a `Date` object.

### Syntax

```
void fromBytes(const Bytes &byteStream,  
const Environment *envp = NULL);
```

### Parameters

#### **byteStream**

Date in external format in the form of Bytes.

#### **envp**

The OCCI environment.

## fromText()

This method converts a `string` object to a `Date` object.

### Syntax

```
void fromText(const string &datestr,  
const string &fmt = "",  
const string &nlsParam = "",  
const Environment *envp = NULL);
```

### Parameters

#### **datestr**

The date string to be converted.

#### **fmt**

The format string.

#### **nlsParam**

A string specifying the nls parameters to be used.

#### **envp**

The environment from which the nls parameters are to be obtained.

## getDate()

This method returns the date in the form of the date components year, month, day, hour, minute, seconds.

### Syntax

```
void getDate(int &year,  
            unsigned int &month,  
            unsigned int &day,  
            unsigned int &hour,  
            unsigned int &min,  
            unsigned int &sec) const;
```

### Parameters

#### year

The year component of the date.

#### month

The month component of the date.

#### day

The day component of the date.

#### hour

The hour component of the date.

#### min

The minutes component of the date.

#### seconds

The seconds component of the date.

## getSystemDate()

This method returns the system date.

### Syntax

```
static Date getSystemDate(const Environment *envp);
```

**Parameters****envp**

The environment in which the system date is returned.

**isNull()**

This method tests whether the `Date` is null. If the `Date` is null, `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull() const;
```

**lastDay()**

This method returns a date representing the last day of the current month.

**Syntax**

```
Date lastDay() const;
```

**nextDay()**

This method returns a date representing the day after the day of the week specified.

**Syntax**

```
Date nextDay(const string &dow) const;
```

**Parameters****dow**

A string representing the day of the week.

**operator=()**

This method assigns the date object on the right side of the equal (=) sign to the date object on the left side of the equal (=) sign.

**Syntax**

```
Date& operator=(const Date &d);
```

**Parameters****d**

The date object that is assigned.

**operator==( )**

This method compares the dates specified. If the dates are equal, true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator==(const Date &a,  
                const Date &b);
```

**Parameters****a, b**

The dates that are compared for equality.

**operator!=( )**

This method compares the dates specified. If the dates are not equal then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator!=(const Date &a,  
                const Date &b);
```

**Parameters****a, b**

The dates that are compared for inequality.

**operator>( )**

This method compares the dates specified. If the first date is in the future relative to the second date then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either date is null then false is returned. If the dates are not the same type then false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator>(const Date &a,  
               const Date &b);
```

**Parameters****a, b**

The dates that are compared.

**operator>=()**

This method compares the dates specified. If the first date is in the future relative to the second date or the dates are equal then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either date is null then false is returned. If the dates are not the same type then false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator>=(const Date &a,  
                const Date &b);
```

**Parameters****a, b**

The dates that are compared.

**operator<()**

This method compares the dates specified. If the first date is in the past relative to the second date then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either date is null then false is returned. If the dates are not the same type then false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator<(const Date &a,  
               const Date &b);
```

**Parameters****a, b**

The dates that are compared.

## operator<=()

This method compares the dates specified. If the first date is in the past relative to the second date or the dates are equal then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either date is null then false is returned. If the dates are not the same type then false is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator<=(const Date &a,  
               const Date &b);
```

### Parameters

#### **a, b**

The dates that are compared.

## setDate()

This method sets the date to the values specified.

### Syntax

```
void setDate(int year = 1,  
            unsigned int month = 1,  
            unsigned int day = 1,  
            unsigned int hour = 0,  
            unsigned int minute = 0,  
            unsigned int seconds = 0);
```

### Parameters

#### **year**

The argument specifying the year value.

Valid values are -4713 through 9999.

#### **month**

The argument specifying the month value.

Valid values are 1 through 12.

**day**

The argument specifying the day value.

Valid values are 1 through 31.

**hour**

The argument specifying the hour value.

Valid values are 0 through 23.

**minute**

The argument specifying the minutes value.

Valid values are 0 through 59 .

**seconds**

The argument specifying the seconds value.

Valid values are 0 through 59.

**setNull()**

This method set the date to atomically null.

**Syntax**

```
void setNull();
```

**toBytes()**

This method returns the date in `Bytes` representation.

**Syntax**

```
Bytes toBytes() const;
```

**toText()**

This method returns a string with the value of this date formatted using *fmt* and *nlsParam*.

**Syntax**

```
string toText(const string &fmt = "",
```

```
const string &nlsParam = "") const;
```

**Parameters****fmt**

The format string.

**nlsParam**

A string specifying the nls parameters to be used.

**toZone()**

This method returns `Date` value converted from one time zone to another.

Valid values are:

<b>Zone code</b>	<b>Value</b>
AST, ADT	Atlantic Standard or Daylight Time
BST, BDT	Bering Standard or Daylight Time
CST, CDT	Central Standard or Daylight Time
EST, EDT	Eastern Standard or Daylight Time
GMT	Greenwich Mean Time
HST, HDT	Alaska-Hawaii Standard Time or Daylight Time
MST, MDT	Mountain Standard or Daylight Time
NST	Newfoundland Standard Time
PST, PDT	Pacific Standard or Daylight Time
YST, YDT	Yukon Standard or Daylight Time

**Syntax**

```
Date toZone(const string &zone1,  
            const string &zone2) const;
```



**Parameters**

**zone1**

A string representing the time zone to be converted from.

**zone2**

A string representing the time zone to be converted to.

## Environment Class

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The Environment class provides an OCCI environment to manage memory and other resources for OCCI objects.

The application can have multiple OCCI environments. Each environment would have its own heap and thread-safety mutexes and so forth.

To create an Environment object, use the syntax:

```
Environment()  
enum Mode  
{  
    DEFAULT = OCI_DEFAULT,  
    OBJECT = OCI_OBJECT,  
    SHARED = OCI_SHARED,  
    NO_USERCALLBACKS = OCI_NO_UCB,  
    THREADED_MUTEXED = OCI_THREADED,  
    THREADED_UNMUTEXED = OCI_THREADED | OCI_ENV_NO_MUTEX  
};
```

## Summary of Environment Methods

**Table 8–9 Environment Methods**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">createConnection()</a> on page 8-63	Create a connection to a database.
<a href="#">createConnectionPool()</a> on page 8-63	Create a connection pool.
<a href="#">createEnvironment()</a> on page 8-64	Create an environment and use the specified memory management functions.
<a href="#">getCacheMaxSize()</a> on page 8-66	Retrieve the Cache Max heap size.
<a href="#">getCacheOptSize()</a> on page 8-66	Retrieve the Cache optimal heap size.
<a href="#">getCurrentHeapSize ()</a> on page 8-66	Return the current amount of memory allocated to all objects in the current environment.
<a href="#">getMap()</a> on page 8-66()	Return the Map for the current environment.
<a href="#">getOCIEnvironment()</a> on page 8-66	Return the OCI environment associated with the current environment.

**Table 8–9 Environment Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">setCacheMaxSize()</a> on page 8-67	Set the maximum size for the client-side object cache as a percentage of the optimal size.
<a href="#">setCacheOptSize()</a> on page 8-67	Set the optimal size for the client-side object cache in bytes.
<a href="#">terminateConnection ()</a> on page 8-67	Close the connection and free all related resources.
<a href="#">terminateConnectionPool()</a> on page 8-68	Close the connection pool and free all related resources.
<a href="#">terminateEnvironment()</a> on page 8-68	Destroy the environment.

## createConnection()

This method establishes a connection to the database specified.

### Syntax

```
Connection * createConnection(const string &username,  
    const string &password,  
    const string &connectString);
```

### Parameter

#### username

The name of the user to connect as.

#### password

The password of the user.

#### connectString

The database to connect to.

## createConnectionPool()

This method creates a connection pool based on the parameters specified.

### Syntax

```
ConnectionPool* createConnectionPool(const string &poolUserName,  
    const string &poolPassword,  
    const string &connectString = "",  
    unsigned int minConn = 0,  
    unsigned int maxConn = 1,  
    unsigned int incrConn = 1);
```

### Parameters

#### **poolUserName**

The pool user name.

#### **poolPassword**

The pool password.

#### **connectString**

The database to connect to.

#### **minConn**

The minimum number of connections in the pool. The minimum number of connections are opened by this method. Additional connections are opened only when necessary. Generally, `minConn` should be set to the number of concurrent statements the application is expected to run.

#### **maxConn**

The maximum number of connections in the pool.

Valid values are 1 and greater.

#### **incrConn**

The increment by which to increase the number of connections to be opened if the current number of connections is less than `connMax`.

Valid values are 1 and greater.

## **createEnvironment()**

This method creates an `Environment` object. It is created with the specified memory management functions specified in the `setMemMgrFunctions()`

method. If no memory manager functions are specified, then OCCI uses its own default functions. An `Environment` object must eventually be closed to free all the system resources it has acquired.

If the mode specified is `THREADED_MUTEXED` or `THREADED_UN_MUTEXED`, then all three memory management functions must be thread-safe.

### Syntax

```
static Environment * createEnvironment(Mode mode = DEFAULT,  
    void *ctxp = 0,  
    void *(*malocfp)(void *ctxp, size_t size) = 0,  
    void *(*ralocfp)(void *ctxp, void *memptr, size_t newsize) = 0,  
    void (*mfreefp)(void *ctxp, void *memptr) = 0);
```

### Parameters

#### **mode**

Valid values are:

`DEFAULT` not thread safe, not in object mode

`THREADED_MUTEXED` thread safe, mutexed internally by OCCI

`THREADED_UN-MUTEXTED` thread safe, client responsible for mutexting

`OBJECT` uses object features

#### **ctxp**

Context pointer for user-defined memory management function.

#### **size\_t**

The size of the memory to be allocated by user-defined memory allocation function.

#### **malocfp**

User-defined memory allocation function.

#### **ralocfp**

User-defined memory reallocation function.

#### **mfreefp**

User-defined memory free function.

## getCacheMaxSize()

This method retrieves the Cache Max heap size.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int getCacheMaxSize() const;
```

## getCacheOptSize()

This method retrieves the Cache optimal heap size.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int getCacheOptSize() const;
```

## getCurrentHeapSize ()

This method returns the amount of memory currently allocated to all objects in this environment.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int getCurrentHeapSize() const;
```

## getMap()

This method returns a pointer to the map for this environment.

### Syntax

```
Map *getMap() const;
```

## getOCIEnvironment()

This method returns a pointer to the OCI environment associated with this environment.

### Syntax

```
LNOCIEnv *getOCIEnvironment() const;
```

## setCacheMaxSize()

This method sets the maximum size for the client-side object cache as a percentage of the optimal size. The default value is 10%.

### Syntax

```
void setCacheMaxSize(unsigned int maxsize);
```

### Parameters

#### **maxsize**

The value of the maximum size, expressed as a percentage.

## setCacheOptSize()

This method sets the optimal size for the client-side object cache in bytes. The default value is 8MB.

### Syntax

```
void setCacheOptSize(unsigned int optsize);
```

### Parameters

#### **optsize**

The value of the optimal size, in bytes.

## terminateConnection ()

This method closes the connection to the environment, and frees all related system resources.

### Syntax

```
void terminateConnection(Connection *connection);
```

### Parameters

#### **connection**

A pointer to the connection instance to be terminated.

## terminateConnectionPool()

This method closes the connections in the connection pool, and frees all related system resources.

### Syntax

```
void terminateConnectionPool(ConnectionPool *poolp);
```

### Parameters

#### poolp

A pointer to the connection pool instance to be terminated.

## terminateEnvironment()

This method closes the environment, and frees all related system resources.

### Syntax

```
void terminateEnvironment(Environment *env);
```

### Parameter

#### env

Environment to be closed.



## IntervalDS Class

Leading field precision will be determined by number of decimal digits in day input. Fraction second precision will be determined by number of fraction digits on input.

```
IntervalDS(const Environment *env,  
           int day = 0,  
           int hour = 0,  
           int minute = 0,  
           int second = 0,  
           int fs = 0);
```

### **day**

day component.

Valid values are  $-10^9$  through  $10^9$ .

### **hour**

hour component.

Valid values are -23 through 23.

### **minute**

minute component.

Valid values are -59 through 59.

### **second**

second component.

Valid values are -59 through 59.

### **fs**

fractional second component.

Constructs a null `IntervalDS` object. A null `intervalDS` can be initialized by assignment or calling `fromText` method. Methods that can be called on null `intervalDS` objects are `setNull` and `isNull`.

```
IntervalDS();
```

Constructs an IntervalDS object as a copy of an Interval reference.

```
IntervalDS(const Interval &src);
```

The following code example demonstrates that the default constructor creates a null value, and how you can assign a non null value to a day-second interval and then perform operations on it:

```
Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment();

//create a null day-second interval
IntervalDS ds;
if(ds.isNull())
    cout << "\n ds is null";

//assign a non null value to ds
IntervalDS anotherDS(env, "10 20:14:10.2");
ds = anotherDS;

//now all operations are valid on DS...
int DAY = ds.getDay();
```

The following code example demonstrates how to create a null day-second interval, initialize the day-second interval by using the `fromText` method, add to the day-second interval by using the `+=` operator, multiply by using the `*` operator, compare 2 day-second intervals, and convert a day-second interval to a string by using the `toText` method:

```
Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment();

//create a null day-second interval
IntervalDS ds1

//initialize a null day-second interval by using the fromText method
ds1.fromText("20 10:20:30.9", "", env);

IntervalDS addWith(env, 2, 1);
ds1 += addWith;    //call += operator

IntervalDS mulDs1=ds1 * Number(env, 10);    //call * operator
if(ds1==mulDs1)    //call == operator
    .
    .
    .
string strds=ds1.toText(2, 4);    //2 is leading field precision
                                //4 is the fractional field precision
```

## Summary of IntervalDS Methods

**Table 8–10** *IntervalDS Methods*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">fromText()</a> on page 8-72	Return an <code>IntervalDS</code> with the value represented by <code>instring</code> .
<a href="#">getDay()</a> on page 8-72	Return day interval values.
<a href="#">getFracSec()</a> on page 8-72	Return fractional second interval values.
<a href="#">getHour()</a> on page 8-73	Return hour interval values.
<a href="#">getMinute()</a> on page 8-73	Return minute interval values.
<a href="#">getSecond()</a> on page 8-73	Return second interval values.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-73	Return <code>true</code> if <code>IntervalDS</code> is null, <code>false</code> otherwise.
<a href="#">operator*()</a> on page 8-73	Return the product of two <code>IntervalDS</code> values.
<a href="#">operator*=()</a> on page 8-74	Multiplication assignment.
<a href="#">operator=()</a> on page 8-74	Simple assignment.
<a href="#">operator==(())</a> on page 8-74	Check if <code>a</code> and <code>b</code> are equal.
<a href="#">operator!=(())</a> on page 8-75	Check if <code>a</code> and <code>b</code> are not equal.
<a href="#">operator/()</a> on page 8-75	Return an <code>IntervalDS</code> with value $(a / b)$ .
<a href="#">operator/=()</a> on page 8-76	Division assignment.
<a href="#">operator&gt;()</a> on page 8-76	Check if <code>a</code> is greater than <code>b</code>
<a href="#">operator&gt;=()</a> on page 8-76	Check if <code>a</code> is greater than or equal to <code>b</code> .
<a href="#">operator&lt;()</a> on page 8-78	Check if <code>a</code> is less than <code>b</code> .
<a href="#">operator&lt;=()</a> on page 8-77	Check if <code>a</code> is less than or equal to <code>b</code> .
<a href="#">operator-()</a> on page 8-77	Return an <code>IntervalDS</code> with value $(a - b)$ .
<a href="#">operator-=()</a> on page 8-78	Subtraction assignment.
<a href="#">operator+()</a> on page 8-78	Return the sum of two <code>IntervalDS</code> values.
<a href="#">operator+=()</a> on page 8-78	Addition assignment.
<a href="#">set()</a> on page 8-79	Set day-second interval.
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-79	Set day-second interval to null.
<a href="#">toText()</a> on page 8-80	Return string representation for the interval.

## fromText()

This method creates the interval from the string specified. The string is converted using the nls parameters associated with the relevant environment.

The nls parameters are picked up from *env*. If *env* is null, the nls parameters are picked up from the environment associated with the instance, if any.

### Syntax

```
void fromText(const string &inpstr,  
             const string &nlsParam = "",  
             const Environment *env = NULL);
```

### Parameters

#### inpstr

Input string representing a day second interval of the form 'days hours:minutes:seconds' for example, '10 20:14:10.2'

#### nlsParam

this parameter is not currently used.

#### env

Environment whose nls parameters is to be used.

## getDay()

This method returns the day component of the interval.

### Syntax

```
int getDay() const;
```

## getFracSec()

This method returns the fractional second component of the interval.

### Syntax

```
int getFracSec() const;
```

## getHour()

This method returns the hour component of the interval.

### Syntax

```
int getHour() const;
```

## getMinute()

This method returns the minute component of this interval.

### Syntax

```
int getMinute() const;
```

## getSecond()

This method returns the seconds component of this interval.

### Syntax

```
int getSecond() const;
```

## isNull()

This method tests whether the interval is null. If the interval is null then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool isNull() const;
```

## operator\*()

This method multiplies an interval by a factor and returns the result.

### Syntax

```
const IntervalDS operator*(const IntervalDS &a,  
    const Number &factor);
```

**Parameters****a**

Interval to be multiplied.

**factor**

Factor by which interval is to be multiplied.

**operator\*=( )**

This method assigns the product of IntervalDS and a to IntervalDS.

**Syntax**

```
IntervalDS& operator*=(const IntervalDS &a);
```

**Parameters****a**

A day second interval.

**operator=( )**

This method assigns the specified value to the interval.

**Syntax**

```
IntervalDS& operator=(const IntervalDS &src);
```

**Parameters****src**

Value to be assigned.

**operator==( )**

This method compares the intervals specified. If the intervals are equal, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then SQLException is thrown.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator==(const IntervalDS &a,
```

```
const IntervalDS &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator!=(())**

This method compares the intervals specified. If the intervals are not equal then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then `SQLException` is thrown.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator!=(const IntervalDS &a,  
const IntervalDS &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator/(())**

This method returns the result of dividing an interval by a constant factor.

**Syntax**

```
const IntervalDS operator/(const IntervalDS &a,  
const Number &factor);
```

**Parameters****a**

Interval to be divided

**factor**

factor by which interval is to be divided.

## operator/=( )

This method assigns the quotient of IntervalDS and a to IntervalDS.

### Syntax

```
IntervalDS& operator/=(const IntervalDS &a);
```

### Parameters

#### a

A day second interval.

## operator>( )

This method compares the intervals specified. If the first interval is greater than the second interval then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then SQLException is thrown.

### Syntax

```
bool operator>(const IntervalDS &a,  
               const IntervalDS &b);
```

### Parameters

#### a,b

Intervals to be compared.

## operator>=( )

This method compares the intervals specified. If the first interval is greater than or equal to the second interval then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then SQLException is thrown.

### Syntax

```
bool operator>=(const IntervalDS &a,  
                const IntervalDS &b);
```



**Parameter****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator<()**

This method compares the intervals specified. If the first interval is less than the second interval then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then SQLException is thrown.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator<(const IntervalDS &a,  
               const IntervalDS &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator<=()**

This method compares the intervals specified. If the first interval is less than or equal to the second interval then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then SQLException is thrown.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator<=(const IntervalDS &a,  
                const IntervalDS &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator-()**

This method returns the difference between the intervals a and b.

### Syntax

```
const IntervalDS operator-(const IntervalDS &a,  
    const IntervalDS &b);
```

### Parameters

**a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

## operator-=( )

This method assigns the difference between `IntervalDS` and `a` to `IntervalDS`.

### Syntax

```
IntervalDS& operator--(const IntervalDS &a);
```

### Parameters

**a**

A day second interval.

## operator+( )

This method returns the sum of the intervals specified.

### Syntax

```
const IntervalDS operator+(const IntervalDS &a,  
    const IntervalDS &b);
```

### Parameters

**a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

## operator+=( )

This method assigns the sum of `IntervalDS` and `a` to `IntervalDS`.

### Syntax

```
IntervalDS& operator+=(const IntervalDS &a);
```

**Parameters****a**

A day second interval.

**set()**

This method sets the interval to the values specified.

**Syntax**

```
void set(int day,  
        int hour,  
        int minute,  
        int second,  
        int fracsec);
```

**Parameters****day**

Day component.

**hour**

Hour component.

**minute**

Minute component.

**second**

Second component.

**fracsec**

Fractional second component.

**setNull()**

This method sets the interval to null.

**Syntax**

```
void setNull();
```

## toText()

This method returns the string representation for the interval.

### Syntax

```
string toText(unsigned int lfprec,  
             unsigned int fsprec,  
             const string &nlsParam = "") const;
```

### Parameters

#### lfprec

Leading field precision.

#### fsprec

Fractional second precision.

#### nlsParam

This parameter is not being used.

---

## IntervalYM Class

IntervalYM supports the SQL92 datatype Year-Month Interval.

Leading field precision will be determined by number of decimal digits on input.

```
IntervalYM(const Environment *env,  
           int year = 0,  
           int month=0);
```

### **year**

Valid values are  $-10^9$  through  $10^9$

### **month**

Valid values are -11 through 11

Constructs a null IntervalYM object. A null intervalYM can be initialized by assignment or calling fromText method. Methods that can be called on null intervalYM objects are setNull and isNull.

```
IntervalYM();
```

Constructs an IntervalYM object from *src*.

```
IntervalYM(const IntervalYM &src);
```

The following code example demonstrates that the default constructor creates a null value, and how you can assign a non null value to a year-month interval and then perform operations on it:

```
Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment();  
  
//create a null year-month interval  
IntervalYM ym  
if(ym.isNull())  
    cout << "\n ym is null";  
  
//assign a non null value to ym  
IntervalYM anotherYM(env, "10-30");  
ym = anotherYM;  
  
//now all operations are valid on ym...  
int yr = ym.getYear();
```

The following code example demonstrates how to get the year-month interval column from a result set, add to the year-month interval by using the += operator, multiply by using the \* operator, compare 2 year-month intervals, and convert a year-month interval to a string by using the `toText` method:

```
//SELECT WARRANT_PERIOD from PRODUCT_INFORMATION
//obtain result set
resultset->next();

//get interval value from resultset
IntervalYM yml = resultset->getIntervalYM(1);

IntervalYM addWith(env, 10, 1);
yml += addWith;    //call += operator

IntervalYM mulYml = yml * Number(env, 10);    //call * operator

if(yml<mulYml)    //comparison
    .
    .
    .;

string strym = yml.toText(3);    //3 is the leading field precision
```

## Summary of IntervalYM Methods

**Table 8–11** *IntervalYM Methods*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">fromText()</a> on page 8-83	Return an <code>IntervalYM</code> with the value represented by <code>instring</code> .
<a href="#">getMonth()</a> on page 8-84	Return month interval value.
<a href="#">getYear()</a> on page 8-84	Return year interval value.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-84	Check if the interval is null.
<a href="#">operator*()</a> on page 8-84	Return the product of two <code>IntervalYM</code> values.
<a href="#">operator*=()</a> on page 8-85	Multiplication assignment.
<a href="#">operator=()</a> on page 8-85	Simple assignment.
<a href="#">operator==(())</a> on page 8-85	Check if a and b are equal.
<a href="#">operator!=(())</a> on page 8-86	Check if a and b are not equal.
<a href="#">operator/()</a> on page 8-86	Return an interval with value (a / b).

**Table 8–11 IntervalYM Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">operator/=()</a> on page 8-87	Division assignment.
<a href="#">operator&gt;()</a> on page 8-87	Check if a is greater than b.
<a href="#">operator&gt;=()</a> on page 8-87	Check if a is greater than or equal to b.
<a href="#">operator&lt;()</a> on page 8-88	Check if a is less than b.
<a href="#">operator&lt;=()</a> on page 8-88	Check if a is less than or equal to b.
<a href="#">operator-()</a> on page 8-88	Return an interval with value (a - b).
<a href="#">operator-=()</a> on page 8-89	Subtraction assignment.
<a href="#">operator+()</a> on page 8-89	Return the sum of two IntervalYM values.
<a href="#">operator+=()</a> on page 8-89	Addition assignment.
<a href="#">set()</a> on page 8-90	Set the interval to the values specified.
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-90	Set the interval to null.
<a href="#">toText()</a> on page 8-90	Return the string representation of the interval.

## fromText()

This method initializes the interval to the values in `inpstr`. The string is interpreted using the nls parameters set in the environment.

The nls parameters are picked up from `env`. If `env` is null, the nls parameters are picked up from the environment associated with the instance, if any.

### Syntax

```
void fromText(const string &inpstr,
             const string &nlsParam = "",
             const Environment *env = NULL);
```

### Parameters

#### `inpstr`

Input string representing a year month interval of the form 'year-month'.

**nlsParam**

This parameter is currently not used.

**env**

The environment whose nls parms will be used.

**getMonth()**

This method returns the month component of the interval.

**Syntax**

```
int getMonth() const;
```

**getYear()**

This method returns the year component of the interval.

**Syntax**

```
int getYear() const;
```

**isNull()**

This method tests whether the interval is null. If the interval is null then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull() const;
```

**operator\*()**

This method multiplies the interval by a factor and returns the result.

**Syntax**

```
const IntervalYM operator*(const IntervalDS &a  
    const Number &factor);
```



**Parameters****a**

Interval to be multiplied.

**factor**

Factor by which the interval is to be multiplied.

**operator\*=( )**

This method multiplies the interval by a factor.

**Syntax**

```
IntervalYM& operator*=(const Number &factor);
```

**Parameters****factor**

Factor by which the interval is to be multiplied.

**operator=( )**

This method assigns the specified value to the interval.

**Syntax**

```
const IntervalYM& operator=(const IntervalYM &src);
```

**Parameters****src**

A year month interval.

**operator==( )**

This method compares the intervals specified. If the intervals are equal then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then SQLException is thrown.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator==(const IntervalYM &a,  
               const IntervalYM &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator!==( )**

This method compares the intervals specified. If the intervals are not equal then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then `SQLException` is thrown.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator!=(const IntervalYM &a,  
               const IntervalYM &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator/( )**

This method returns the result of dividing the interval by a factor.

**Syntax**

```
const IntervalYM operator/(const IntervalYM &a,  
                          const Number &factor);
```

**Parameters****a**

Interval to be divided.

**factor**

Factor by which the interval is to be divided.

## operator/=( )

This method divides the interval by a factor.

### Syntax

```
IntervalYM& operator/=(const Number &a);
```

### Parameters

#### a

Factor by which the interval is to be divided.

## operator>( )

This method compares the intervals specified. If the first interval is greater than the second interval then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then `SQLException` is thrown.

### Syntax

```
bool operator>(const IntervalYM &a,  
               const IntervalYM &b);
```

### Parameters

#### a,b

Intervals to be compared.

## operator>=( )

This method compares the intervals specified. If the first interval is greater than or equal to the second interval then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then `SQLException` is thrown.

### Syntax

```
bool operator>=(const IntervalYM &a,  
                const IntervalYM &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator<()**

This method compares the intervals specified. If the first interval is less than the second interval then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then SQLException is thrown.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator<(const IntervalYM &a,  
               const IntervalYM &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator<=()**

This method compares the intervals specified. If the first interval is less than or equal to the second interval then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either interval is null then SQLException is thrown

**Syntax**

```
bool operator<=(const IntervalYM &a,  
                const IntervalYM &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator-()**

This method returns the difference between the intervals specified.

**Syntax**

```
const IntervalYM operator-(const IntervalYM &a,  
    const IntervalYM &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator-=( )**

This method computes the difference between itself and another interval.

**Syntax**

```
IntervalYM& operator-=(const IntervalYM &a);
```

**Parameters****a**

A year month interval.

**operator+( )**

This method returns the sum of the intervals specified.

**Syntax**

```
const IntervalYM operator+(const IntervalYM &a,  
    const IntervalYM &b);
```

**Parameters****a,b**

Intervals to be compared.

**operator+=( )**

This method assigns the sum of IntervalYM and a to IntervalYM.

**Syntax**

```
IntervalYM& operator+=(const IntervalYM &a);
```

## set()

This method sets the interval to the values specified.

### Syntax

```
void set(int year,  
        int month);
```

### Parameters

#### year

Year component.

Valid values are  $-10^9$  through  $10^9$ .

#### month

month component.

Valid values are -11 through 11.

## setNull()

This method sets the interval to null.

### Syntax

```
void setNull();
```

## toText()

This method returns the string representation of the interval.

### Syntax

```
string toText(unsigned int lfpref,  
             const string &nlsParam = "") const;
```

### Parameters

#### lfpref

Leading field precision.

**nlsParam**

This parameter is not currently used.

## Map Class

---

The `Map` class is used to store the mapping of the SQL structured type to C++ classes.

For each user defined type, the Object Type Translator (OTT) generates a C++ class declaration and implements the static methods `readSQL()` and `writeSQL()`. The `readSQL()` method is called when the object from the server appears in the application as a C++ class instance. The `writeSQL()` method is called to marshal the object in the application cache to server data when it is being written / flushed to the server. The `readSQL()` and `writeSQL()` methods generated by OTT are based upon the OCCI standard C++ mappings.

If you want to override the standard OTT generated mappings with customized mappings, you must implement a custom C++ class along with the `readSQL()` and `writeSQL()` methods for each SQL structured type you need to customize. In addition, you must add an entry for each such class into the `Map` member of the `Environment`.

To..., use the syntax:

```
Map();
```

## Summary of Map Methods

**Table 8–12 Map Methods**

Method	Summary
<code>put()</code> on page 8-92	Adds a map entry for the type to be customized.

### `put()`

This method adds a map entry for the type to be customized.

This method adds a map entry for the type, `type_name`, that you want to customize. You must implement the `type_name` C++ class along with its static methods, `readSQL()` and `writeSQL()`.

You must then add this information into a map object, which should be registered with the connection if the user wants the standard mappings to overridden. This



registration can be done by calling the this method after the environment is created passing the environment.

### Syntax

```
void put(const string&, void (*)(void *),  
        void (*)(void *, void *));
```

## MetaData Class

---

A `MetaData` object can be used to describe the types and properties of the columns in a `ResultSet` or the existing schema objects in the database. It also provides information about the database as a whole.

Listing of the parameter types for objects:

- `PTYPE_TABLE`
- `PTYPE_VIEW`
- `PTYPE_PROC`
- `PTYPE_FUNC`
- `PTYPE_PKG`
- `PTYPE_TYPE`
- `PTYPE_TYPE_ATTR`
- `PTYPE_TYPE_COLL`
- `PTYPE_TYPE_METHOD`
- `PTYPE_SYN`
- `PTYPE_SEQ`
- `PTYPE_COL`
- `PTYPE_ARG`
- `PTYPE_TYPE_ARG`
- `PTYPE_TYPE_RESULT`
- `PTYPE_SCHEMA`
- `PTYPE_DATABASE`
- `PTYPE_UNK`

Listing of attribute values:

- `DURATION_SESSION`
- `DURATION_TRANS`
- `DURATION_NULL`

- TYPEENCAP\_PRIVATE
- TYPEENCAP\_PUBLIC
- TYPEPARAM\_IN
- TYPEPARAM\_OUT
- TYPEPARAM\_INOUT
- CURSOR\_OPEN
- CURSOR\_CLOSED
- CL\_START
- CL\_END
- SP\_SUPPORTED
- SP\_UNSUPPORTED
- NW\_SUPPORTED
- NW\_UNSUPPORTED
- AC\_DDL
- NO\_AC\_DDL
- LOCK\_IMMEDIATE
- LOCK\_DELAYED

These are returned on executing a get method passing some attribute for which these are the results.

To..., use the syntax:

```
MetaData(const MetaData &omd);
```

### **omd**

The source metadata object to be copied from.

## Summary of MetaData Methods

**Table 8–13 MetaData Methods**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">getAttributeCount()</a> on page 8-96	Gets the count of the attribute as a MetaData object
<a href="#">getAttributeId()</a> on page 8-96	Gets the ID of the specified attribute
<a href="#">getAttributeType()</a> on page 8-97	Gets the type of the specified attribute.
<a href="#">getBoolean()</a> on page 8-97	Gets the value of the attribute as a C++ boolean.
<a href="#">getInt()</a> on page 8-97	Gets the value of the attribute as a C++ int.
<a href="#">getMetaData()</a> on page 8-98	Gets the value of the attribute as a MetaData object
<a href="#">getNumber()</a> on page 8-98	Returns the specified attribute as a Number object.
<a href="#">getRef()</a> on page 8-98	Gets the value of the attribute as a Ref<T>.
<a href="#">getString()</a> on page 8-99	Gets the value of the attribute as a string.
<a href="#">getTimeStamp()</a> on page 8-99	Gets the value of the attribute as a Timestamp object
<a href="#">getUInt()</a> on page 8-99	Gets the value of the attribute as a C++ unsigned int.
<a href="#">getVector()</a> on page 8-100	Gets the value of the attribute as an C++ vector.
<a href="#">operator=()</a> on page 8-100	Assigns one metadata object to another.

### getAttributeCount()

This method returns the number of attributes related to the metadata object.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getAttributeCount() const;
```

### getAttributeId()

This method returns the attribute ID (ATTR\_NUM\_COLS, ...) of the attribute represented by the attribute number specified.

**Syntax**

```
AttrId getAttributeId(unsigned int attributenum) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attributenum**

The number of the attribute for which the attribute ID is to be returned.

## **getAttributeType()**

This method returns the attribute type (NUMBER, INT, . . . ) of the attribute represented by attribute number specified.

#### **Syntax**

```
Type getAttributeType(unsigned int attributenum) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attributenum**

The number of the attribute for which the attribute type is to be returned.

## **getBoolean()**

This method returns the value of the attribute as a C++ boolean. If the value is a SQL null, the result is false.

#### **Syntax**

```
bool getBoolean(MetaData::AttrId attrid) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attrid**

The attribute ID.

## **getInt()**

This method returns the value of the attribute as a C++ int. If the value is SQL null, the result is 0.

#### **Syntax**

```
int getInt(MetaData::AttrId attrid) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attrid**

The attribute ID .

## getMetaData()

This method returns a `MetaData` instance holding the attribute value. A metadata attribute value can be retrieved as a `MetaData` instance. This method can only be called on attributes of the metadata type.

### Syntax

```
MetaData getMetaData(MetaData::AttrId attrid) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attrid**

The attribute ID.

## getNumber()

This method returns the value of the attribute as a `Number` object. If the value is a SQL null, the result is null.

### Syntax

```
Number getNumber(MetaData::AttrId attrid) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attrid**

The attribute ID.

## getRef()

This method returns the value of the attribute as a `RefAny`. If the value is SQL null, the result is null.

### Syntax

```
RefAny getRef(MetaData::AttrId attrid) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attrid**

The attribute ID.

## getString()

This method returns the value of the attribute as a string. If the value is SQL null, the result is null.

#### **Syntax**

```
string getString(MetaData::AttrId attrid) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attrid**

The attribute ID.

## getTimeStamp()

This method returns the value of the attribute as a `Timestamp` object. If the value is a SQL null, the result is null.

#### **Syntax**

```
Timestamp getTimeStamp(MetaData::AttrId attrid) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attrid**

The attribute ID.

## getUInt()

This method returns the value of the attribute as a C++ unsigned int. If the value is a SQL null, the result is 0.

#### **Syntax**

```
unsigned int getUInt(MetaData::AttrId attrid) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attrid**

The attribute ID.

## getVector()

This method returns a C++ vector containing the attribute value. A collection attribute value can be retrieved as a C++ vector instance. This method can only be called on attributes of a list type.

### Syntax

```
vector<MetaData> getVector(MetaData::AttrId attrid) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **attrid**

The attribute ID.

## operator=()

This method assigns one `MetaData` object to another. This increments the reference count of the `MetaData` object that is assigned.

### Syntax

```
void operator=(const MetaData &omd);
```

### Parameters

#### **omd**

`MetaData` object to be assigned.





Translates a native long into a `Number`.

```
Number(long val);
```

Translates a native int into a `Number`.

```
Number(int val);
```

Translates a native short into a `Number`.

```
Number(short val);
```

Translates a native char into a `Number`.

```
Number(char val);
```

Translates a native signed char into a `Number`.

```
Number(signed char val);
```

Translates an native unsigned long into a `Number`.

```
Number(unsigned long val);
```

Translates a native unsigned int into a `Number`.

```
Number(unsigned int val);
```

Translates a native unsigned short into a `Number`.

```
Number(unsigned short val);
```

Translates the unsigned character array into a `Number`.

```
Number(unsigned char val);
```

Objects from the `Number` class can be used as standalone class objects in client side numerical computations. They can also be used to fetch from and set to the database.

The following code example demonstrates a `Number` column value being retrieved from the database, a bind using a `Number` object, and a comparison using a standalone `Number` object:

```
/* Create a connection */  
Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment(Environment::DEFAULT);  
Connection *conn = env->createConnection(user, passwd, db);
```

```
/* Create a statement and associate a select clause with it */
string sqlStmt = "SELECT department_id FROM DEPARTMENTS";
Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement(sqlStmt);

/* Execute the statement to get a result set */
ResultSet *rset = stmt->executeQuery();
while(rset->next())
{
    Number deptId = rset->getNumber(1);
    /* Display the department id with the format string 9,999 */
    cout << "Department Id" << deptId.toText(env, "9,999");

    /* Use the number obtained as a bind value in the following query */
    stmt->setSQL("SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEES WHERE department_id = :x");
    stmt->setNumber(1, deptId);
    ResultSet *rset2 = stmt->executeQuery();
    .
    .
    .
}
/* Using a Number object as a standalone and the operations on them */

/* Create a number to a double value */
double value = 2345.123;
Number nul (value);

/* Some common Number methods */
Number abs = nul.abs(); /* absolute value */
Number sqrt = nul.squareroot(); /* square root */

/* Cast operators can be used */
long lnum = (long) nul;

/* Unary increment/decrement prefix/postfix notation */
nul++;
--nul;

/* Arithmetic operations */
Number nu2(nul);

/* Assignment operators */
Number nu3;
nu3 = nu2;
nu2 = nu2 + 5.89;
Number nu4;
```

```

nu4 = nu1 + nu2;

/* Comparison operators */
if(nu1>nu2)
    .
    .
    .
else if(nu1 == nu2)
    .
    .
    .

```

## Summary of Number Methods

**Table 8–14** *Number Methods*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">abs()</a> on page 8-107	Return the absolute value of the number.
<a href="#">arcCos()</a> on page 8-107	Return the arcCosine of the number.
<a href="#">arcSin()</a> on page 8-107	Return the arcSine of the number.
<a href="#">arcTan()</a> on page 8-107	Return the arcTangent of the number.
<a href="#">arcTan2()</a> on page 8-108	Return the arcTangent2 of the input number <i>y</i> and this number <i>x</i> .
<a href="#">ceil()</a> on page 8-108	Return the smallest integral value not less than the value of the number.
<a href="#">cos()</a> on page 8-108	Return the cosine of the number.
<a href="#">exp()</a> on page 8-108	Return the natural exponent of the number.
<a href="#">floor()</a> on page 8-109	Return the largest integral value not greater than the value of the number.
<a href="#">fromBytes()</a> on page 8-109	Return a Number derived from a Bytes object.
<a href="#">fromText()</a> on page 8-109	Return a Number from a given number string , format string and nls parameters specified.
<a href="#">hypCos()</a> on page 8-110	Return the hyperbolic cosine of the number.
<a href="#">hypSin()</a> on page 8-110	Return the hyperbolic sine of the number.
<a href="#">hypTan()</a> on page 8-110	Return the hyperbolic tangent of the number.
<a href="#">intPower()</a> on page 8-110	Return the number raised to the integer value specified.

**Table 8–14** *Number Methods (Cont.)*

Method	Summary
<code>isNull()</code> on page 8-111	Check if <code>Number</code> is null.
<code>ln()</code> on page 8-111	Return the natural logarithm of the number.
<code>log()</code> on page 8-111	Return the logarithm of the number to the base value specified.
<code>operator++()</code> on page 8-111	Increment the number by 1.
<code>operator++()</code> on page 8-112	Increment the number by 1.
<code>operator--()</code> on page 8-112	Decrement the number by 1.
<code>operator--()</code> on page 8-112	Decrement the number by 1.
<code>operator*()</code> on page 8-117	Return the product of two <code>Numbers</code> .
<code>operator/()</code> on page 8-113	Return the quotient of two <code>Numbers</code> .
<code>operator%()</code> on page 8-113	Return the modulo of two <code>Numbers</code> .
<code>operator+()</code> on page 8-113	Return the sum of two <code>Numbers</code> .
<code>operator-()</code> on page 8-114	Return the negated value of <code>Number</code> .
<code>operator-()</code> on page 8-114	Return the difference between two <code>Numbers</code> .
<code>operator&lt;()</code> on page 8-114	Check if a number is less than an other number.
<code>operator&lt;=()</code> on page 8-115	Check if a number is less than or equal to an other number.
<code>operator&gt;()</code> on page 8-115	Check if a number is greater than an other number.
<code>operator&gt;=()</code> on page 8-116	Check if a number is greater than or equal to an other number.
<code>operator==()</code> on page 8-116	Check if two numbers are equal.
<code>operator!=()</code> on page 8-116	Check if two numbers are not equal.
<code>operator=()</code> on page 8-117	Assign one number to another.
<code>operator*=()</code> on page 8-117	Multiplication assignment.
<code>operator/=()</code> on page 8-117	Division assignment.
<code>operator%=()</code> on page 8-118	Modulo assignment.
<code>operator+=()</code> on page 8-118	Addition assignment.
<code>operator-=()</code> on page 8-118	Subtraction assignment.

**Table 8–14 Number Methods (Cont.)**

<b>Method</b>	<b>Summary</b>
<a href="#">operator char()</a> on page 8-119	Return <code>Number</code> converted to native char.
<a href="#">operator signed char()</a> on page 8-119	Return <code>Number</code> converted to native signed char.
<a href="#">operator double()</a> on page 8-119	Return <code>Number</code> converted to a native double.
<a href="#">operator float()</a> on page 8-119	Return <code>Number</code> converted to a native float.
<a href="#">operator int()</a> on page 8-119	Return <code>Number</code> converted to native integer.
<a href="#">operator long()</a> on page 8-120	Return <code>Number</code> converted to native long.
<a href="#">operator long double()</a> on page 8-120	Return <code>Number</code> converted to a native long double.
<a href="#">operator short()</a> on page 8-120	Return <code>Number</code> converted to native short integer.
<a href="#">operator unsigned char()</a> on page 8-120	Return <code>Number</code> converted to an unsigned native char.
<a href="#">operator unsigned int()</a> on page 8-120	Return <code>Number</code> converted to an unsigned native integer.
<a href="#">operator unsigned long()</a> on page 8-121	Return <code>Number</code> converted to an unsigned native long.
<a href="#">operator unsigned short()</a> on page 8-121	Return <code>Number</code> converted to an unsigned native short integer.
<a href="#">power()</a> on page 8-121	Return <code>Number</code> raised to the power of another number specified.
<a href="#">prec()</a> on page 8-121	Return <code>Number</code> rounded to digits of precision specified.
<a href="#">round()</a> on page 8-122	Return <code>Number</code> rounded to decimal place specified. Negative values are allowed.
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-122	Set <code>Number</code> to null.
<a href="#">shift()</a> on page 8-122	Return a <code>Number</code> that is equivalent to the passed value * $10^n$ , where $n$ may be positive or negative.
<a href="#">sign()</a> on page 8-123	Return the sign of the value of the passed value: -1 for the passed value < 0, 0 for the passed value == 0, and 1 for the passed value > 0.
<a href="#">sin()</a> on page 8-123	Return sine of the number.
<a href="#">sqrareoot()</a> on page 8-123	Return the square root of the number.

**Table 8–14 Number Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">tan()</a> on page 8-123	Returns tangent of the number.
<a href="#">toBytes()</a> on page 8-123	Return a <code>Bytes</code> object representing the <code>Number</code> .
<a href="#">toText()</a> on page 8-124	Return the number as a string formatted based on the format and nls parameters.
<a href="#">trunc()</a> on page 8-124	Return a <code>Number</code> with the value truncated at <code>n</code> decimal place(s). Negative values are allowed.

## abs()

This method returns the absolute value of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number abs() const;
```

## arcCos()

This method returns the arccosine of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number const Number arcCos() const;
```

## arcSin()

This method returns the arcsine of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number arcSin() const;
```

## arcTan()

This method returns the arctangent of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number arcTan() const;
```

## arcTan2()

This method returns the arctangent of the `Number` object with the `parameter` specified. It returns `atan2 (y,x)` where `y` is the parameter specified and `x` is the current number object.

### Syntax

```
const Number arcTan2(const Number &val) const
```

### Parameters

#### **val**

`Number` parameter `y` to the arcTangent function `atan2(y,x)` .

## ceil()

This method returns the smallest integer that is greater than or equal to the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number ceil() const;
```

## cos()

This method returns the cosine of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number cos() const;
```

## exp()

This method returns the natural exponential of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number exp() const;
```



## floor()

This method returns the largest integer that is less than or equal to the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number floor() const;
```

## fromBytes()

This method returns a `Number` object represented by the byte string specified.

### Syntax

```
void fromBytes(const Bytes &s);
```

### Parameters

#### **s**

A byte string.

## fromText()

This method returns a `Number` object derived from a string value.

### Syntax

```
void fromText(const Environment *envp,  
             const string &number,  
             const string &fmt,  
             const string &nlsParam = "");
```

### Parameters

#### **envp**

The OCCI environment.

#### **number**

The number string to be converted to a `Number` object.

**fmt**

Format string.

**nlsParam**

The nls parameters string. If *nlsParam* is specified, this determines the nls parameters to be used for the conversion. If *nlsParam* is not specified, the nls parameters are picked up from *envp*.

## hypCos()

This method returns the hypercosine of the `Number` object.

**Syntax**

```
const Number hypCos() const;
```

## hypSin()

This method returns the hypersine of the `Number` object.

**Syntax**

```
const Number hypSin() const;
```

## hypTan()

This method returns the hypertangent of the `Number` object.

**Syntax**

```
const Number hypTan() const;
```

## intPower()

This method returns a `Number` whose value is the `number` object raised to the power of the value specified.

**Syntax**

```
const Number intPower(int val) const;
```

**Parameters****val**

Integer to whose power the number is raised.

**isNull()**

This method tests whether the `Number` object is null. If the `Number` object is null, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull() const;
```

**ln()**

This method returns the natural logarithm of the `Number` object.

**Syntax**

```
const Number ln() const;
```

**log()**

This method returns the logarithm of the `Number` object with the base provided by the parameter specified.

**Syntax**

```
const Number log(const Number &val) const;
```

**Parameters****val**

The base to be used in the logarithm calculation.

**operator++()**

Unary `operator++()`. This method returns the `Number` object incremented by 1. This is a prefix operator.

**Syntax**

```
Number& operator++();
```

## **operator++()**

Unary `operator++()`. This method returns the `Number` object incremented by the integer specified. This is a postfix operator.

**Syntax**

```
const Number operator++(int);
```

## **operator--()**

Unary `operator--()`. This method returns the `Number` object decremented by 1. This is a prefix operator.

**Syntax**

```
Number& operator--();
```

## **operator--()**

Unary `operator--()`. This method returns the `Number` object decremented by the integer specified. This is a postfix operator.

**Syntax**

```
const Number operator--(int);
```

## **operator\*()**

This method returns the product of the parameters specified.

**Syntax**

```
Number operator*(const Number &a,  
                 const Number &b);
```

**Parameters**

**a, b**

Numbers to be multiplied.

## **operator/()**

This method returns the quotient of the parameters specified.

### **Syntax**

```
Number operator/(const Number &dividend,  
                const Number &divisor);
```

### **Parameters**

#### **dividend**

The number to be divided.

#### **divisor**

The number to divide by.

## **operator%()**

This method returns the remainder of the division of the parameters specified.

### **Syntax**

```
Number operator%(const Number &a,  
                const Number &b);
```

### **Parameters**

#### **a, b**

Numbers which are operands in the modulo operation.

## **operator+()**

This method returns the sum of the parameters specified.

### **Syntax**

```
Number operator+(const Number &a,  
                const Number &b);
```

### Parameters

#### **a, b**

Numbers which are added.

## operator-()

Unary operator-(). This method returns the negated value of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number operator-();
```

## operator-()

This method returns the difference between the parameters specified.

### Syntax

```
Number operator-(const Number &subtrahend,  
                const Number &subtractor);
```

### Parameters

#### **subtrahend**

The number to be reduced.

#### **subtractor**

The number to be subtracted.

## operator<()

This method checks whether the first parameter specified is less than the second parameter specified. If the first parameter is less than the second parameter, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned. If either parameter is equal to infinity, then `false` is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator<(const Number &a,  
              const Number &b);
```

**Parameters****a, b**

Numbers which are compared .

**operator<=()**

This method checks whether the first parameter specified is less than or equal to the second parameter specified. If the first parameter is less than or equal to the second parameter, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either parameter is equal to infinity, then false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator<=(const Number &a,  
                const Number &b);
```

**Parameters****a, b**

Numbers which are compared.

**operator>()**

This method checks whether the first parameter specified is greater than the second parameter specified. If the first parameter is greater than the second parameter, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either parameter is equal to infinity, then false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator>(const Number &a,  
              const Number &b);
```

**Parameters****a, b**

Numbers which are compared .

## **operator>=()**

This method checks whether the first parameter specified is greater than or equal to the second parameter specified. If the first parameter is greater than or equal to the second parameter, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either parameter is equal to infinity, then false is returned.

### **Syntax**

```
bool operator>=(const Number &a,  
               const Number &b);
```

### **Parameters**

#### **a, b**

Numbers which are compared.

## **operator==(())**

This method checks whether the parameters specified are equal. If the parameters are equal, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either parameter is equal to +infinity or -infinity, then false is returned.

### **Syntax**

```
bool operator==(const Number &a,  
               const Number &b);
```

### **Parameters**

#### **a, b**

Numbers which are compared.

## **operator!=(())**

This method checks whether the first parameter specified is equal to the second parameter specified. If the parameters are not equal, true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

### **Syntax**

```
bool operator!=(const Number &a,  
               const Number &b);
```



**Parameters****a, b**

Numbers which are compared.

**operator=()**

This method assigns the value of the parameter specified to the `Number` object.

**Syntax**

```
Number& operator=(const Number &a);
```

**Parameters****a**

The number to be assigned.

**operator\*=(())**

This method multiplies the `Number` object by the parameter specified, and assigns the product to the `Number` object.

**Syntax**

```
Number& operator*=(const Number &a);
```

**Parameters****a**A parameter of type `Number`.**operator/=(())**

This method divides the `Number` object by the parameter specified, and assigns the quotient to the `Number` object.

**Syntax**

```
Number& operator/=(const Number &a);
```

### Parameters

**a**

A parameter of type `Number`.

## **operator%=( )**

This method divides the `Number` object by the parameter specified, and assigns the remainder to the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
Number& operator%=(const Number &a);
```

### Parameters

**a**

A parameter of type `Number`.

## **operator+=( )**

This method adds the `Number` object and the parameter specified, and assigns the sum to the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
Number& operator+=(const Number &a);
```

### Parameters

**a**

A parameter of type `Number`.

## **operator-=( )**

This method subtracts the parameter specified from the `Number` object, and assigns the difference to the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
Number& operator-=(const Number &a);
```

### Parameters

#### **a**

A parameter of type `Number`.

## **operator char()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native `char`.

### **Syntax**

```
operator char() const;
```

## **operator signed char()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native signed `char`.

### **Syntax**

```
operator signed char() const;
```

## **operator double()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native `double`.

### **Syntax**

```
operator double() const;
```

## **operator float()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native `float`.

### **Syntax**

```
operator float() const;
```

## **operator int()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native `int`.

**Syntax**

```
operator int()const;
```

## **operator long()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native long.

**Syntax**

```
operator long() const;
```

## **operator long double()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native long double.

**Syntax**

```
operator long double() const;
```

## **operator short()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native short integer.

**Syntax**

```
operator short() const;
```

## **operator unsigned char()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native unsigned char.

**Syntax**

```
operator unsigned char() const;
```

## **operator unsigned int()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native unsigned integer.

**Syntax**

```
operator unsigned int() const;
```

**operator unsigned long()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native unsigned long.

**Syntax**

```
operator unsigned long() const;
```

**operator unsigned short()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object converted to a native unsigned short integer.

**Syntax**

```
operator unsigned short() const;
```

**power()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object raised to the `power` of the value provided by the parameter specified.

**Syntax**

```
const Number power(const Number &val) const;
```

**Parameters****val**

The number to whose power this number has to be raised.

**prec()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object rounded to the digits of precision provided by the parameter specified.

**Syntax**

```
const Number prec(int digits) const;
```

**Parameters**

**digits**

The number of digits of precision.

**round()**

This method returns the value of the `Number` object rounded to the decimal place provided by the parameter specified.

**Syntax**

```
const Number round(int decplace) const;
```

**Parameters**

**decplace**

The number of digits to the right of the decimal point.

**setNull()**

This method sets the value of the `Number` object to null.

**Syntax**

```
void setNull();
```

**shift()**

This method returns the `Number` object multiplied by 10 to the power provided by the parameter specified.

**Syntax**

```
const Number shift(int val) const;
```

**Parameters**

**val**

An integer value.

## sign()

This method returns the sign of the value of the `Number` object. If the `Number` object is negative, then `-1` is returned. If the `Number` object is equal to `0`, then `0` is returned. If the `Number` object is positive, then `1` is returned.

### Syntax

```
const int sign() const;
```

## sin()

This method returns the sin of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number sin();
```

## squareroot()

This method returns the square root of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number squareroot() const;
```

## tan()

This method returns the tangent of the `Number` object.

### Syntax

```
const Number tan() const;
```

## toBytes()

This method converts the `Number` object into a `Bytes` object. The bytes representation is assumed to be in length excluded format, that is, the `Byte.length()` method gives the length of valid bytes and the 0th byte is the exponent byte.

**Syntax**

```
Bytes toBytes() const;
```

**toText()**

This method converts the `Number` object to a formatted string based on the parameters specified.

**See Also:** Oracle9i SQL Reference for information on `TO_CHAR`.

**Syntax**

```
string toText(const Environment *envp,  
             const string &fmt,  
             const string &nlsParam = "") const;
```

**Parameters****envp**

The OCI environment.

**fmt**

The format string.

**nlsParam**

The nls parameters string. If `nlsParam` is specified, this determines the nls parameters to be used for the conversion. If `nlsParam` is not specified, the nls parameters are picked up from `envp`.

**trunc()**

This method returns the `Number` object truncated at the number of decimal places provided by the parameter specified.

**Syntax**

```
const Number trunc(int deplace) const;
```



**Parameters****decplace**

The number of places to the right of the decimal place at which the value is to be truncated.

## PObject Class

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OCCI provides object navigational calls that enable applications to perform any of the following on objects:

- Creating, accessing, locking, deleting, copying, and flushing objects
- Getting references to the objects

This class enables the type definer to specify when a class is capable of having persistent or transient instances. Instances of classes derived from `PObject` are either persistent or transient. A class (called "A") that is persistent-capable inherits from the `PObject` class:

```
class A : PObject { ... }
```

Some of the methods provided, such as `lock()` and `refresh()`, are applicable only for persistent instances, not for transient instances.

To create a null `PObject`, use the syntax:

```
PObject();
```

The only methods valid on a null `PObject` are `setNull()`, `isNull`, and `operator=()`.

To create a copy of a `PObject`, use the syntax:

```
PObject(const PObject& obj);
```

## Summary of PObject Methods

**Table 8–15** *PObject Methods*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">flush()</a> on page 8-127	Flushes a modified persistent object to the database server.
<a href="#">getConnection()</a> on page 8-127	Return the connection from which the <code>PObject</code> object was instantiated.
<a href="#">getRef()</a> on page 8-127	Return a reference to a given persistent object.
<a href="#">isLocked()</a> on page 8-128	Test whether the persistent object is locked.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-128	Test whether the object is null.

**Table 8–15 PObject Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">lock()</a> on page 8-128	Lock a persistent object on the database server. The default mode is to wait for the lock if not available.
<a href="#">markDelete()</a> on page 8-129	Mark a persistent object as deleted.
<a href="#">markModified()</a> on page 8-129	Mark a persistent object as modified or dirty.
<a href="#">operator=()</a> on page 8-129	Assign one PObject to another.
<a href="#">operator delete()</a> on page 8-129	Remove the persistent object from the application cache only.
<a href="#">operator new()</a> on page 8-130	Creates a new persistent / transient instance.
<a href="#">pin()</a> on page 8-130	Pins an object.
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-131	Sets the object value to null.
<a href="#">unmark()</a> on page 8-131	Unmarks an object as dirty.
<a href="#">unpin()</a> on page 8-131	Unpins an object. In the default mode, the pin count of the object is decremented by one.

## flush()

This method flushes a modified persistent object to the database server.

### Syntax

```
void flush();
```

## getConnection()

This method returns the connection from which the persistent object was instantiated.

### Syntax

```
const Connection *getConnection() const;
```

## getRef()

This method returns a reference to the persistent object.

**Syntax**

```
RefAny getRef() const;
```

**isLocked()**

This method test whether the persistent object is locked. If the persistent object is locked, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isLocked() const;
```

**isNull()**

This method tests whether the persistent object is null. If the persistent object is null, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull() const;
```

**lock()**

This method locks a persistent object on the database server.

**Syntax**

```
void lock(PObject::LockOption lock_option);
```

**Parameters****lock\_option**

Specifies whether the lock operation should wait if the object is already locked by another user. The default value is `OCCI_LOCK_WAIT`, meaning the operation will wait.

Valid values are:

```
OCCI_LOCK_WAIT
```

```
OCCI_LOCK_NOWAIT
```

## markDelete()

This method marks a persistent object as deleted.

### Syntax

```
void markDelete();
```

## markModified()

This method marks a persistent object as modified or dirty.

### Syntax

```
void mark_Modified();
```

## operator=()

This method assigns the value of a persistent object this `PObject` object. The nature (transient or persistent) of the object is maintained. Null information is copied from the source instance.

### Syntax

```
PObject& operator=(const PObject& obj);
```

### Parameters

#### **obj**

The object to copy from.

## operator delete()

This method is used to delete a persistent or transient object. The delete operator on a persistent object removes the object from the application cache only. To delete the object from the database server, invoke the `markDelete()` method.

### Syntax

```
void operator delete(void *obj,  
                    size_t size);
```

## operator new()

This method is used to create a new object. A persistent object is created if the connection and table name are provided. Otherwise, a transient object is created.

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
void *operator new(size_t size);
```

```
void *operator new(size_t size,  
    const Connection *x,  
    const string& tablename,  
    const char *type_name);
```

### Parameters

#### size

#### x

The connection to the database in which the persistent object is to be created.

#### tablename

The name of the table in the database server.

#### type\_name

The SQL type name corresponding to this C++ class. The format is <schemaname>.<typename>.

## pin()

This method pins the object and increments the pin count by one. As long as the object is pinned, it will not be freed by the cache even if there are no references to this object instance.

### Syntax

```
void pin();
```

## setNull()

This method sets the object value to null.

### Syntax

```
void setNull();
```

## unmark()

This method unmarks a persistent object as modified or deleted.

### Syntax

```
void unmark();
```

## unpin()

This method unpins a persistent object. In the default mode, the pin count of the object is decremented by one. When this method is invoked with `OCCI_PINCOUNT_RESET`, the pin count of the object is reset.

If the pin count is reset, this method invalidates all the references (`Ref`) pointing to this object. The cache sets the object eligible to be freed, if necessary, reclaiming memory.

### Syntax

```
void unpin(UnpinOption mode=OCCI_PINCOUNT_DECR);
```

### Parameters

#### mode

Specifies whether the pin count should be decremented or reset to 0.

Valid values are:

```
OCCI_PINCOUNT_RESET
```

```
OCCI_PINCOUNT_DECR
```

## Ref Class

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The mapping in the C++ programming language of an SQL REF value, which is a reference to an SQL structured type value in the database.

Each REF value has a unique identifier of the object it refers to. An SQL REF value may be used in place of the SQL structured type it references; it may be used as either a column value in a table or an attribute value in a structured type.

Because an SQL REF value is a logical pointer to an SQL structured type, a Ref object is by default also a logical pointer; thus, retrieving an SQL REF value as a Ref object does not materialize the attributes of the structured type on the client.

A Ref object can be saved to persistent storage and is de-referenced through `operator*` or `operator->` or `ptr()` methods. T must be a class derived from `PObject`. In the following sections, `T*` and `PObject*` are used interchangeably.

To create a null Ref object, use the syntax:

```
Ref();
```

The only methods valid on a null Ref object are `isNull`, and `operator=()`.

To create a copy of a Ref object, use the syntax:

```
Ref(const Ref<T> &src);
```

## Summary of Ref Methods

**Table 8–16** Ref Methods

Method	Summary
<a href="#">clear()</a> on page 8-133	Clears the reference.
<a href="#">getConnection()</a> on page 8-133	Returns the connection this ref was created from.
<a href="#">getRef()</a> on page 8-133	Returns the Ref.
<a href="#">isClear()</a> on page 8-134	Checks if the Ref is cleared.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-134	This method checks if the Ref is null.
<a href="#">markDelete()</a> on page 8-134	Marks the referred object as deleted.
<a href="#">operator-&gt;()</a> on page 8-134	De-reference the Ref and pins the object if necessary.



**Table 8–16 Ref Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">operator*</a> () on page 8-135	This operator de-references the <code>Ref</code> and pins / fetches the object if necessary.
<a href="#">operator==</a> () on page 8-135	Checks if the <code>Ref</code> and the pointer refer to the same object.
<a href="#">operator!=</a> () on page 8-135	Checks if the <code>Ref</code> and the pointer refer to different objects.
<a href="#">operator=</a> () on page 8-136	Assignment operator.
<a href="#">ptr</a> () on page 8-136	De-references the <code>Ref</code> and pins / fetches the object if necessary.
<a href="#">setPrefetch</a> () on page 8-137	Specifies type and depth of the object attributes to be followed for prefetching.
<a href="#">setLock</a> () on page 8-137	Sets the lock option for the object referred from this.
<a href="#">setNull</a> () on page 8-138	Sets the <code>Ref</code> to <code>NULL</code> .
<a href="#">unmarkDelete</a> () on page 8-138	Unmarks for delete the object referred by this.

## clear()

This method clears the `Ref` object.

### Syntax

```
void clear();
```

## getConnection()

This method returns the connection from which the `Ref` object was instantiated.

### Syntax

```
const Connection *getConnection() const;
```

## getRef()

This method returns the OCI `Ref` from the `Ref` object.

**Syntax**

```
LNOCIRef *getRef() const;
```

**isClear()**

This method checks if `Ref` object is cleared.

**Syntax**

```
bool isClear();
```

**isNull()**

This method tests whether the `Ref` object is null. If the `Ref` object is null, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull() const;
```

**markDelete()**

This method marks the referenced object as deleted.

**Syntax**

```
void markDelete();
```

**operator->()**

This method dereferences the `Ref` object and pins or fetches the referenced object if necessary. This might result in prefetching a graph of objects if prefetch attributes of the referenced object are set.

**Syntax**

There are variants of syntax:

```
T * operator->();
```

```
const T * operator->() const;
```

## operator\*()

This method dereferences the `Ref` object and pins or fetches the referenced object if necessary. This might result in prefetching a graph of objects if prefetch attributes of the referenced object are set.

The object does not need to be deleted. Destructor would be automatically called when it goes out of scope.

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
T & operator *();
```

```
const T & operator*() const;
```

## operator==(())

This method tests whether two `Ref` objects are referencing the same object. If the `Ref` objects are referencing the same object, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator == (const Ref<T> &ref) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **ref**

The `Ref` object of the object to be compared.

## operator!=(())

This method tests whether two `Ref` objects are referencing the same object. If the `Ref` objects are not referencing the same object, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator!= (const Ref<T> &ref) const;
```

**Parameters****ref**

The `Ref` object of the object to be compared.

**operator=()**

Assigns the `ref` or the `object` to a `ref`. For the first case, the `refs` are assigned and for the second case, the `ref` is constructed from the `object` and then assigned.

**Syntax**

There are variants of syntax:

```
Ref<T>& operator=(const Ref<T> &src);
```

```
Ref<T>& operator=(const T *obj);
```

**Parameters****src**

The source `Ref` object to be assigned.

**obj**

The source object pointer whose `Ref` object is to be assigned.

**ptr()**

This operator dereferences the `Ref` and `pins`/fetches the object if necessary. This might result in prefetching a graph of objects if `prefetch` attributes of the `Ref` are set.

**Syntax**

There are variants of syntax:

```
T * ptr();
```

```
const T * ptr() const;
```

## setPrefetch()

Sets the prefetching options for the complex object retrieval.

This method specifies depth up to which all objects reachable from this object through `Refs` (transitive closure) should be prefetched. If only selected attribute types are to be prefetched, then `setPrefetch(type_name, depth)` should be used.

This method specifies which Ref attributes of the object it refers to should be followed for prefetching of the objects (complex object retrieval) and how many levels deep those links should be followed.

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
void setPrefetch(const string &typeName,  
                unsigned int depth);
```

```
void setPrefetch(unsigned int depth);
```

### Parameters

#### typeName

Type of the Ref attribute to be prefetched.

#### depth

Depth level to which the links should be followed.

## setLock()

This method specifies how the object should be locked when dereferenced.

### Syntax

```
void setLock(LockOptions);
```

### Parameters

#### LockOptions

The lock options.

Valid values are:

OCCL\_LOCK\_NONE

OCCL\_LOCK\_X

OCCL\_LOCK\_X\_NOWAIT

## **setNull()**

This method sets the `Ref` object to `NULL`.

### **Syntax**

```
void setNull();
```

## **unmarkDelete()**

This method unmarks the referred object as dirty.

### **Syntax**

```
void unmarkDelete();
```

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## RefAny Class

The `RefAny` class is designed to support a reference to any type. Its primary purpose is to handle generic references and allow conversions of `Ref` in the type hierarchy. A `RefAny` object can be used as an intermediary between any two types, `Ref<x>` and `Ref<y>`, where `x` and `y` are different types.

A `Ref<T>` can always be converted to a `RefAny`; there is a method to perform the conversion in the `Ref<T>` template. Each `Ref<T>` has a constructor and assignment operator that takes a reference to `RefAny`.

```
RefAny();
RefAny(const Connection *sessptr, const OCIRef *Ref);
RefAny(const RefAny& src);
```

## Summary of RefAny Methods

**Table 8–17** *RefAny Methods*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">clear()</a> on page 8-133	Clear the reference.
<a href="#">getConnection()</a> on page 8-133	Return the connection this ref was created from.
<a href="#">getRef()</a> on page 8-133	Return the <code>Ref</code> .
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-134	Check if the <code>RefAny</code> object is null.
<a href="#">markDelete()</a> on page 8-134	Mark the object as deleted.
<a href="#">operator=()</a> on page 8-136	Assignment operator.
<a href="#">operator==()</a> on page 8-135	Check if equal.
<a href="#">operator!=()</a> on page 8-135	Check if not equal.
<a href="#">unmarkDelete()</a> on page 8-138	Unmark the object as deleted.

### clear()

This method clears the reference.

#### Syntax

```
void clear();
```

## getConnection()

Returns the connection from which this ref was instantiated.

### Syntax

```
const Connection * getConnection() const;
```

## getRef()

Returns the underlying OCIRef\*

### Syntax

```
LNOCIRef* getRef() const;
```

## isNull()

Returns true if the object pointed to by this ref is null else false.

### Syntax

```
bool isNull() const;
```

## markDelete()

This method marks the referred object as deleted.

### Syntax

```
void markDelete();
```

## operator=()

Assigns the ref or the object to a ref. For the first case, the refs are assigned and for the second case, the ref is constructed from the object and then assigned.

### Syntax

```
RefAny& operator=(const RefAny& src);
```



**Parameters****src**

The source RefAny object to be assigned.

**operator==( )**

Compares this ref with the RefAny object and returns true if both the refs are referring to the same object in the cache, otherwise it returns false.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator==(const RefAny &refAnyR) const;
```

**Parameters****refAnyR**

RefAny object to be compared with.

**operator!=( )**

Compares this ref with the RefAny object and returns true if both the refs are not referring to the same object in the cache, otherwise it returns false.

**Syntax**

```
bool operator!=(const RefAny &refAnyR) const;
```

**Parameters****refAnyR**

RefAny object to be compared with.

**unmarkDelete( )**

This method unmarks the referred object as dirty.

**Syntax**

```
void unmarkDelete();
```

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## ResultSet Class

A `ResultSet` provides access to a table of data generated by executing a `Statement`. Table rows are retrieved in sequence. Within a row, column values can be accessed in any order.

A `ResultSet` maintains a cursor pointing to its current row of data. Initially the cursor is positioned before the first row. The `next` method moves the cursor to the next row.

The `get ... ()` methods retrieve column values for the current row. You can retrieve values either using the index number of the column or the name of the column. In general, using the column index is more efficient. Columns are numbered beginning at 1.

For the `get ... ()` methods, OCI attempts to convert the underlying data to the specified C++ type and returns a C++ value.

SQL types are mapped to C++ types with the `ResultSet::get ... ()` methods.

The number, types and properties of a `ResultSet`'s columns are provided by the `MetaData` object returned by the `getColumnListMetaData` method.

```
enum Status
{
    END_OF_FETCH = 0,
    DATA_AVAILABLE,
    STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE
};
```

### ResultSet()

This is the `ResultSet` constructor.

#### Syntax

```
ResultSet()
```

## Summary of ResultSet Methods

**Table 8–18** *ResultSet Methods*

Method	Description
<a href="#">cancel()</a> on page 8-145	Cancel the <code>ResultSet</code> .
<a href="#">closeStream()</a> on page 8-145	Close the specified <code>Stream</code> .
<a href="#">getBfile()</a> on page 8-146	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>Bfile</code> .
<a href="#">getBlob()</a> on page 8-146	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>Blob</code> object.
<a href="#">getBytes()</a> on page 8-146	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>Bytes</code> array.
<a href="#">getCharSet()</a> on page 8-147	Return the character set in which data would be fetched.
<a href="#">getClob()</a> on page 8-147	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>Clob</code> object.
<a href="#">getColumnListMetaData()</a> on page 8-147	Return the describe information of the result set columns as a <code>MetaData</code> object.
<a href="#">getCurrentStreamColumn()</a> on page 8-148	Return the column index of the current readable <code>Stream</code> .
<a href="#">getCurrentStreamRow()</a> on page 8-148	Return the current row of the <code>ResultSet</code> being processed.
<a href="#">getCursor()</a> on page 8-148	Return the nested cursor as a <code>ResultSet</code> .
<a href="#">getDate()</a> on page 8-149	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>Date</code> object.
<a href="#">getDatebaseNCHARParam()</a> on page 8-149	Returns whether data is in NCHAR character set or not.
<a href="#">getDouble()</a> on page 8-149	Return the value of a column in the current row as a C++ double.
<a href="#">getFloat()</a> on page 8-150	Return the value of a column in the current row as a C++ float.
<a href="#">getInt()</a> on page 8-150	Return the value of a column in the current row as a C++ int.
<a href="#">getIntervalDS()</a> on page 8-150	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>IntervalDS</code> .

**Table 8–18 ResultSet Methods (Cont.)**

<b>Method</b>	<b>Description</b>
<a href="#">getIntervalYM()</a> on page 8-151	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>IntervalYM</code> .
<a href="#">getMaxColumnSize()</a> on page 8-151	Return the maximum amount of data to read from a column.
<a href="#">getNumArrayRows()</a> on page 8-151	Return the actual number of rows fetched in the last array fetch when <code>next(int numRows)</code> returned <code>END_OF_DATA</code> .
<a href="#">getNumber()</a> on page 8-152	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>Number</code> object.
<a href="#">getObject()</a> on page 8-152	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>PObject</code> .
<a href="#">getRef()</a> on page 8-152	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>Ref</code> .
<a href="#">getRowid()</a> on page 8-153	Return the current ROWID for a <code>SELECT FOR UPDATE</code> statement.
<a href="#">getRowPosition()</a> on page 8-153	Return the Rowid of the current row position.
<a href="#">getStatement()</a> on page 8-153	Return the <code>Statement</code> of the <code>ResultSet</code> .
<a href="#">getStream()</a> on page 8-153	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>Stream</code> .
<a href="#">getString()</a> on page 8-154	Return the value of a column in the current row as a string.
<a href="#">getTimestamp()</a> on page 8-154	Return the value of a column in the current row as a <code>Timestamp</code> object.
<a href="#">getUInt()</a> on page 8-154	Return the value of a column in the current row as a C++ unsigned int
<a href="#">getVector()</a> on page 8-155	Return the specified collection parameter as a vector.
<a href="#">getVectorOfRefs()</a> on page 8-155	Return the specified parameter (representing a collection of REFS) as a vector of REFS.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-158	Check whether the value is null.
<a href="#">isTruncated()</a> on page 8-158	Check whether truncation has occurred.
<a href="#">next()</a> on page 8-159	Make the next row the current row in a <code>ResultSet</code> .
<a href="#">preTruncationLength()</a> on page 8-159	

**Table 8–18 ResultSet Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Description
<a href="#">setBinaryStreamMode()</a> on page 8-160	Specify that a column is to be returned as a binary stream.
<a href="#">setCharacterStreamMode()</a> on page 8-160	Specify that a column is to be returned as a character stream.
<a href="#">setCharSet()</a> on page 8-161	Specify the character set in which the data is to be returned.
<a href="#">setDatabaseNCHARParam()</a> on page 8-161	If the parameter is going to be retrieved from a column that contains data in the database's NCHAR character set, then OCCI must be informed by passing a true value.
<a href="#">setDataBuffer()</a> on page 8-161	Specify the data buffer into which data is to be read.
<a href="#">setErrorOnNull()</a> on page 8-163	Enable/disable exception when null value is read.
<a href="#">setErrorOnTruncate()</a> on page 8-163	Enable/disable exception when truncation occurs.
<a href="#">setMaxColumnSize()</a> on page 8-164	Specify the maximum amount of data to read from a column.
<a href="#">status()</a> on page 8-164	Return the current status of the <code>ResultSet</code> .

## cancel()

This method cancels the result set.

### Syntax

```
void cancel();
```

## closeStream()

This method closes the stream specified by the parameter *stream*.

### Syntax

```
void closeStream(Stream *stream);
```

**Parameters****stream**

The stream to be closed.

**getBfile()**

This method returns the value of a column in the current row as a `Bfile`. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is NULL.

**Syntax**

```
Bfile getBfile(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getBlob()**

Get the value of a column in the current row as an `Blob`. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is NULL.

**Syntax**

```
Blob getBlob(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getBytes()**

Get the value of a column in the current row as a `Bytes` array. The bytes represent the raw values returned by the server. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is null array

**Syntax**

```
Bytes getBytes(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getCharSet()**

Gets the character set in which data would be fetched, as a string.

**Syntax**

```
string getCharSet(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getClob()**

Get the value of a column in the current row as a `Clob`. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is `NULL`.

**Syntax**

```
Clob getClob(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getColumnListMetaData()**

The number, types and properties of a `ResultSet`'s columns are provided by the `getMetaData` method. Returns the description of a `ResultSet`'s columns. This method will return the value of the given column as a `PObject`. The type of the C++ object will be the C++ `PObject` type corresponding to the column's SQL type registered with `Environment`'s map. This method is used to materialize data of SQL user-defined types.

**Syntax**

```
vector<MetaData> getColumnListMetaData() const;
```

**getCurrentStreamColumn()**

If the result set has any input `Stream` parameters, this method returns the column index of the current input `Stream` that must be read. If no output `Stream` needs to be read, or there are no input `Stream` columns in the result set, this method returns 0. Returns the column index of the current input `Stream` column that must be read.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getCurrentStreamColumn() const;
```

**getCurrentStreamRow()**

If the result has any input `Streams`, this method returns the current row of the result set that is being processed by OCCL. If this method is called after all the rows in the set of array of rows have been processed, it returns 0. Returns the row number of the current row that is being processed. The first row is numbered 1 and so on.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getCurrentStreamRow() const;
```

**getCursor()**

Get the nested cursor as an `ResultSet`. Data can be fetched from this result set. A nested cursor results from a nested query with a `CURSOR(SELECT ... )` clause.

```
SELECT ename, CURSOR(SELECT dname, loc FROM dept) FROM emp WHERE ename = 'JONES'
```

Note that if there are multiple `REF CURSORS` being returned, data from each cursor must be completely fetched before retrieving the next `REF CURSOR` and starting fetch on it. Returns A `ResultSet` for the nested cursor.

**Syntax**

```
ResultSet * getCursor(unsigned int colIndex);
```



**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getDate()**

Get the value of a column in the current row as a `Date` object. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is null

**Syntax**

```
Date getDate(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getDatebaseNCHARParam()**

Returns whether data is in NCHAR character set or not.

**Syntax**

```
bool getDatebaseNCHARPARAM(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

Parameter index.

**getDouble()**

Gets the value of a column in the current row as a C++ double. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is 0

**Syntax**

```
double getDouble(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getFloat()**

Get the value of a column in the current row as a C++ float. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is 0.

**Syntax**

```
float getFloat(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getInt()**

Get the value of a column in the current row as a C++ int. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is 0.

**Syntax**

```
int getInt(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getIntervalDS()**

Get the value of a column in the current row as a `IntervalDS` object. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is null.

**Syntax**

```
IntervalDS getIntervalDS(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getIntervalYM()**

Get the value of a column in the current row as a `IntervalYM` object. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is null

**Syntax**

```
IntervalYM getIntervalYM(unsigned int colIndex);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getMaxColumnSize()**

Get the maximum amount of data to read for a column.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getMaxColumnSize(unsigned int colIndex) const;
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getNumArrayRows()**

Returns the actual number of rows fetched in the last array fetch when `next(int numRows)` returned `END_OF_DATA`. Returns the actual number of rows fetched in the final array fetch

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getNumArrayRows() const;
```

## getNumber()

Get the value of a column in the current row as a `Number` object. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is null

### Syntax

```
Number getNumber(unsigned int colIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getObject()

Returns a pointer to a `PObject` holding the column value.

### Syntax

```
PObject * getObject(unsigned int colIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getRef()

Get the value of a column in the current row as a `RefAny`. Retrieving a `Ref` value does not materialize the data to which `Ref` refers. Also the `Ref` value remains valid while the session or connection on which it is created is open. Returns a `RefAny` holding the column value.

### Syntax

```
RefAny getRef(unsigned int colIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getRowid()

Get the current rowid for a `SELECT ... FOR UPDATE` statement. The rowid can be bound to a prepared `DELETE` statement and so on. Returns Current rowid for a `SELECT ... FOR UPDATE` statement.

### Syntax

```
Bytes getRowid(unsigned int colIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getRowPosition()

Get the Rowid of the current row position.

### Syntax

```
Bytes getRowPosition() const
```

## getStatement()

This method returns the Statement of the ResultSet.

### Syntax

```
const Statement* getStatement() const;
```

## getStream()

This method returns the value of a column in the current row as a Stream.

### Syntax

```
Stream * getStream(unsigned int colIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getString()

Get the value of a column in the current row as a string. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is an empty string.

### Syntax

```
string getString(unsigned int colIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getTimestamp()

Get the value of a column in the current row as a Timestamp object. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is null.

### Syntax

```
Timestamp getTimestamp(unsigned int colIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getUInt()

Get the value of a column in the current row as a C++ int. Returns the column value; if the value is SQL null, the result is 0.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int getUInt(unsigned int colIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getVector()

This method returns the column in the current position as a vector. The column should be a collection type (varray or nested table). The SQL type of the elements in the collection should be compatible with the data type of the objects in the vector.

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
void getVector(ResultSet *rs,  
              unsigned int index,  
              vector<int> &vect);
```

```
void getVector(ResultSet *rs,  
              unsigned int index,  
              vector<unsigned int> &vect);
```

```
void getVector(ResultSet *rs,  
              unsigned int index,  
              vector<float> &vect);
```

```
void getVector(ResultSet *rs,  
              unsigned int index,  
              vector<double> &vect);
```

```
void getVector(ResultSet *rs,  
              unsigned int index,  
              vector<string> &vect);
```

```
void getVector(ResultSet *rs,  
              unsigned int index,  
              vector<Date> &vect);
```

```
void getVector(ResultSet *rs,  
              unsigned int index,  
              vector<Timestamp> &vect);
```

```
void getVector(ResultSet *rs,  
              unsigned int index,
```

```
vector<RefAny> &vect);

void getVector(ResultSet *rs,
               unsigned int index,
               vector<Blob> &vect);

void getVector(ResultSet *rs,
               unsigned int index,
               vector<Clob> &vect);

void getVector(ResultSet *rs,
               unsigned int index,
               vector<Bfile> &vect);

void getVector(ResultSet *rs,
               unsigned int index,
               vector<Number> &vect);

void getVector(ResultSet *rs,
               unsigned int index,
               vector<IntervalDS> &vect);

void getVector(ResultSet *rs,
               unsigned int index,
               vector<IntervalYM> &vect);

void getVector(ResultSet *rs,
               unsigned int index,
               vector< Ref<T> > &vect);

void getVector(ResultSet *rs,
               unsigned int index,
               vector<T *> &vect);

void getVector(ResultSet *rs,
               unsigned int index,
               vector<T> &vect);
```



In particular, the last two variants are identical. The former is intended for use on platforms where partial ordering of function templates is supported and the latter on those it is not.

Similarly, the variant

```
void getVector(ResultSet *rs,  
              unsigned int index,  
              vector< Ref<T> > &vect);
```

is available only on platforms where partial ordering of function templates is supported. This function may be deprecated in the future. `getVectorOfRefs()` can be used instead.

### Parameters

#### **rs**

The result set.

#### **index**

The column index (the first column is 1, the second is 2, . . .).

#### **vect**

The reference to the vector of objects (OUT parameter).

## getVectorOfRefs()

This method returns the column in the current position as a vector of REFs. The column should be a collection type (varray or nested table) of REFs.

### Syntax

```
void getVectorOfRefs(ResultSet *rs,  
                    unsigned int index,  
                    vector< Ref<T> > &vect);
```

### Parameters

#### **rs**

The result set.

**index**

The column index (the first column is 1, the second is 2, . . .).

**vect**

The reference to the vector of REFs (OUT parameter).

It is recommended to use this function instead of specialized method `getVector` for `Ref<T>`.

**isNull()**

A column may have the value of SQL null; `wasNull()` reports whether the last column read had this special value. Note that you must first call `getxxx` on a column to try to read its value and then call `wasNull()` to find if the value was the SQL null. Returns true if last column read was SQL null.

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull(unsigned int colIndex) const;
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . .

**isTruncated()**

This method checks whether the value of the parameter is truncated. If the value of the parameter is truncated, then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isTruncated(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . .

## next()

A `ResultSet` is initially positioned before its first row; the first call to `next` makes the first row the current row; the second call makes the second row the current row, and so on. If a read-able stream from the previous row is open, it is implicitly closed. The `ResultSet`'s warning chain is cleared when a new row is read.

For non-streamed mode, `next()` always returns `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE` or `END_OF_DATA`. Data is available for `getxxx` method when the `RESULT_SET_REMOVE_AVAILABLE` status is returned. When this version of `next()` is used, array fetches are done for data being fetched with the `setDataBuffer()` interface. This means that `getxxx()` methods should not be called. The `numRows` amount of data for each column would materialize in the buffers specified with the `setDataBuffer()` interface. With array fetches, stream input is allowed, so `getxxxStream()` methods can also be called (once for each column).

Returns one of following:

- `DATA_AVAILABLE` — call `getxxx()` or read data from buffers specified with `setDataBuffer()`
- `END_OF_FETCH` — no more data available. This is the last set of rows for array fetches. This value is defined to be 0.
- `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE` — call the `getCurrentStreamColumn` method and read stream

### Syntax

```
Status next(unsigned int numRows =1);
```

### Parameters

#### **numRows**

Number of rows to fetch for array fetches.

## preTruncationLength()

Returns the actual length of the parameter before truncation.

### Syntax

```
int preTruncationLength(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**setBinaryStreamMode()**

Defines that a column is to be returned as a binary stream by the `getStream` method.

**Syntax**

```
void setBinaryStreamMode(unsigned int colIndex,  
    unsigned int size);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The position of the column that is to be retrieved as a binary stream (the first column is 1, the second is 2, . . .).

**size**

The amount of data to be read as a binary stream.

**setCharacterStreamMode()**

Defines that a column is to be returned as a character stream by the `getStream` method.

**Syntax**

```
void setCharacterStreamMode(unsigned int colIndex,  
    unsigned int size);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The position of the column that is to be retrieved as a character stream (the first column is 1, the second is 2, . . .).

**size**

The amount of data to be read as a character stream.

## setCharSet()

Overrides the default character set for the specified column. Data is converted from the database character set to the specified character set for this column.

### Syntax

```
void setCharSet(unsigned int colIndex,  
               string charSet);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### charSet

Desired character set, as a string.

## setDatabaseNCHARParam()

If the parameter is going to be retrieved from a column that contains data in the database's NCHAR character set, then OCCI must be informed by passing a true value. A FALSE can be passed to restore the default.

### Syntax

```
void setDatabaseNCHARParam( unsigned int paramIndex,  
                           bool isNCHAR);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

Parameter index.

#### isNCHAR

TRUE/FALSE.

## setDataBuffer()

Specify a data buffer where data would be fetched. The *buffer* parameter is a pointer to a user allocated data buffer. The current length of data must be specified

in the *length* parameter. The amount of data should not exceed the *size* parameter. Finally, *type* is the data type of the data. Only non OCCI and non C++ specific types can be used i.e STL string, OCCI classes like `Bytes` and `Date` cannot be used.

If `setDataBuffer()` is used to fetch data for array fetches, it should be called only once for each result set. Data for each row is assumed to be at `buffer + (i - 1)*size` location where *i* is the row number. Similarly the length of the data would be assumed to be at `*(length + (i - 1))`.

### Syntax

```
void setDataBuffer(unsigned int colIndex,  
    void *buffer,  
    Type type,  
    sb4 size = 0,  
    ub2 *length = NULL,  
    sb2 *ind = NULL,  
    ub2 *rc = NULL);
```

### Parameters

#### **colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . .

#### **buffer**

Pointer to user-allocated buffer; if array fetches are done, it should have `numRows * size` bytes in it

#### **type**

Type of the data that is provided (or retrieved) in the buffer

#### **size**

Size of the data buffer; for array fetches, it is the size of each element of the data items

#### **length**

Pointer to the length of data in the buffer; for array fetches, it should be an array of length data for each buffer element; the size of the array should be equal to `arrayLength`

**ind**

Pointer to an indicator variable or array. (IN/OUT).

**rc**

Pointer to array of column level return codes (OUT).

**setErrorOnNull()**

This method enables/disables exceptions for reading of null values on `colIndex` column of the result set.

**Syntax**

```
void setErrorOnNull(unsigned int colIndex,  
    bool causeException);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**causeException**

Enable exceptions if true. Disable if false

**setErrorOnTruncate()**

This method enables/disables exceptions when truncation occurs.

**Syntax**

```
void setErrorOnTruncate(unsigned int paramIndex,  
    bool causeException);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**causeException**

Enable exceptions if true. Disable if false

## setMaxColumnSize()

Set the maximum amount of data to read for a column

### Syntax

```
void setMaxColumnSize(unsigned int colIndex,  
    unsigned int max);
```

### Parameters

#### colIndex

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### max

The maximum amount of data to be read.

## status()

Returns the current status of the result set. The status method can be called repeatedly to find out the status of the result. Data is available for `getxxx` method when the `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE` status is returned. Returns one of following:

- `DATA_AVAILABLE` — call `getxxx()` or read data from buffers specified with the `setDataBuffer` method
- `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE` — call `getCurrentStream()` and read stream
- `END_OF_FETCH`

### Syntax

```
Status status() const;
```



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## SQLException Class

The `SQLException` class provides information on generated errors, their codes and associated messages.

### SQLException()

This is the `SQLException` constructor.

#### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
SQLException();
```

```
SQLException(const SQLException &e);
```

### Summary of SQLException Methods

*Table 8–19 SQLException*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">getErrorCode()</a> on page 8-165	Return the database error code.
<a href="#">getMessage()</a> on page 8-166	Return the error message string for this exception.
<a href="#">setErrorCtx()</a> on page 8-166	Set the error context.

### getErrorCode()

Gets the database error code.

#### Syntax

```
int getErrorCode() const;
```

## getMessage()

Returns the error message string of this `SQLException` if it was created with an error message string. Returns null if the `SQLException` was created with no error message.

### Syntax

```
string getMessage() const;
```

## setErrorCtx()

Sets the pointer to the error context.

### Syntax

```
void setErrorCtx(void *ctx);
```

### Parameters

#### **ctx**

The pointer to the error context.

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## Statement Class

A `Statement` object is used for executing SQL statements. The statement may be a query returning result set or a non-query statement returning an update count.

Non-query SQL can be insert, update, or delete statements. Non-query SQL statements can also be DDL statements (such as create, grant, and so on) or stored procedure calls.

A query, insert / update / delete, or stored procedure call statements may have IN bind parameters. A DML returning insert / update / delete statement or stored procedure call may have OUT bind parameters. Finally, a stored procedure call statement may have bind parameters that are both IN and OUT, referred to as IN/OUT parameters.

The `Statement` class methods are divided into three categories:

- `Statement` methods applicable to all statements
- Methods applicable to prepared statements with IN bind parameters
- Methods applicable to callable statements and DML returning statements with OUT bind parameters.

To..., use the syntax:

```
Statement()
enum Status
{
    UNPREPARED,
    PREPARED,
    RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE,
    UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE,
    NEEDS_STREAM_DATA,
    STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE
};
```

## Summary of Statement Methods

**Table 8–20** *Statement Methods*

Method	Description
<a href="#">addIteration()</a> on page 8-171	Add an iteration for execution.

**Table 8–20 Statement Methods (Cont.)**

<b>Method</b>	<b>Description</b>
<a href="#">closeResultSet()</a> on page 8-171	Immediately releases a result set's database and OCCI resources instead of waiting for automatic release.
<a href="#">closeStream()</a> on page 8-172	Close the stream specified by the parameter <i>stream</i> .
<a href="#">execute()</a> on page 8-172	Execute the SQL statement.
<a href="#">executeArrayUpdate()</a> on page 8-173	Execute insert/update/delete statements which use only the <code>setDataBuffer()</code> or stream interface for bind parameters.
<a href="#">executeQuery()</a> on page 8-175	Execute a SQL statement that returns a single <code>ResultSet</code> .
<a href="#">executeUpdate()</a> on page 8-175	Execute a SQL statement that does not return a <code>ResultSet</code> .
<a href="#">getAutoCommit()</a> on page 8-175	Return the current auto-commit state.
<a href="#">getBfile()</a> on page 8-176	Return the value of a BFILE as a <code>Bfile</code> object.
<a href="#">getBlob()</a> on page 8-176	Return the value of a BLOB as a <code>Blob</code> object.
<a href="#">getBytes()</a> on page 8-176	Return the value of a SQL BINARY or VARBINARY parameter as <code>Bytes</code> .
<a href="#">getCharSet()</a> on page 8-177	Return the character set that is in effect for the specified parameter.
<a href="#">getClob()</a> on page 8-177	Return the value of a CLOB as a <code>Clob</code> object.
<a href="#">getConnection()</a> on page 8-177	
<a href="#">getCurrentIteration()</a> on page 8-177	Return the iteration number of the current iteration that is being processed.
<a href="#">getCurrentStreamIteration()</a> on page 8-178	Return the current iteration for which stream data is to be read or written.
<a href="#">getCurrentStreamParam()</a> on page 8-178	Return the parameter index of the current output Stream that must be read or written.
<a href="#">getCursor()</a> on page 8-178	Return the <code>REF_CURSOR</code> value of an OUT parameter as a <code>ResultSet</code> .
<a href="#">getDatabaseNCHARParam()</a> on page 8-179	Return whether data is in NCHAR character set.
<a href="#">getDate()</a> on page 8-179	Return the value of a parameter as a <code>Date</code> object
<a href="#">getDouble()</a> on page 8-179	Return the value of a parameter as a C++ double.

**Table 8–20 Statement Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Description
<a href="#">getFloat()</a> on page 8-180	Return the value of a parameter as a C++ float.
<a href="#">getInt()</a> on page 8-180	Return the value of a parameter as a C++ int.
<a href="#">getIntervalDS()</a> on page 8-180	Return the value of a parameter as a <code>IntervalDS</code> object.
<a href="#">getIntervalYM()</a> on page 8-181	Return the value of a parameter as a <code>IntervalYM</code> object.
<a href="#">getMaxIterations()</a> on page 8-181	Return the current limit on maximum number of iterations.
<a href="#">getMaxParamSize()</a> on page 8-181	Return the current max parameter size limit.
<a href="#">getNumber()</a> on page 8-181	Return the value of a parameter as a <code>Number</code> object.
<a href="#">getObject()</a> on page 8-182	Return the value of a parameter as a <code>PObject</code> .
<a href="#">getOCIStatement()</a> on page 8-182	Return the OCI statement handle associated with the <code>Statement</code> .
<a href="#">getRef()</a> on page 8-182	Return the value of a REF parameter as <code>RefAny</code>
<a href="#">getResultSet()</a> on page 8-183	Return the current result as a <code>ResultSet</code> .
<a href="#">getRowid()</a> on page 8-183	Return the rowid param value as a <code>Bytes</code> object.
<a href="#">getSQL()</a> on page 8-183	Return the current SQL string associated with the <code>Statement</code> object.
<a href="#">getStream()</a> on page 8-183	Return the value of the parameter as a stream.
<a href="#">getString()</a> on page 8-184	Return the value of the parameter as a string.
<a href="#">getTimestamp()</a> on page 8-184	Return the value of the parameter as a <code>Timestamp</code> object
<a href="#">getUInt()</a> on page 8-184	Return the value of the parameter as a C++ unsigned int
<a href="#">getUpdateCount()</a> on page 8-185	Return the current result as an update count for non-query statements.
<a href="#">getVector()</a> on page 8-155	Return the specified parameter as a vector.
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-188	Check whether the parameter is null.
<a href="#">isTruncated()</a> on page 8-188	Check whether the value is truncated.
<a href="#">preTruncationLength()</a> on page 8-189	

**Table 8–20 Statement Methods (Cont.)**

<b>Method</b>	<b>Description</b>
<a href="#">registerOutParam()</a> on page 8-189	Register the type and max size of the OUT parameter.
<a href="#">setAutoCommit()</a> on page 8-190	Specify auto commit mode.
<a href="#">setBfile()</a> on page 8-190	Set a parameter to a <code>Bfile</code> value.
<a href="#">setBinaryStreamMode()</a> on page 8-191	Specify that a column is to be returned as a binary stream.
<a href="#">setBlob()</a> on page 8-191	Set a parameter to a <code>Blob</code> value.
<a href="#">setBytes()</a> on page 8-192	Set a parameter to a <code>Bytes</code> array.
<a href="#">setCharacterStreamMode()</a> on page 8-192	Specify that a column is to be returned as a character stream.
<a href="#">setCharSet()</a> on page 8-192	Specify the character set for the specified parameter.
<a href="#">setClob()</a> on page 8-193	Set a parameter to a <code>Clob</code> value.
<a href="#">setDate()</a> on page 8-193	Set a parameter to a <code>Date</code> value.
<a href="#">setDatabaseNCHARParam()</a> on page 8-194	Set to true if the data is to be in the NCHAR character set of the database; set to false to restore the default.
<a href="#">setDataBuffer()</a> on page 8-194	Specify a data buffer where data would be available for reading or writing.
<a href="#">setDataBufferArray()</a> on page 8-196	Specify an array of data buffers where data would be available for reading or writing.
<a href="#">setDouble()</a> on page 8-198	Set a parameter to a C++ double value.
<a href="#">setErrorOnNull()</a> on page 8-198	Enable/disable exceptions for reading of null values.
<a href="#">setErrorOnTruncate()</a> on page 8-198	Enable/disable exception when truncation occurs.
<a href="#">setFloat()</a> on page 8-199	Set a parameter to a C++ float value.
<a href="#">setInt()</a> on page 8-199	Set a parameter to a C++ int value.
<a href="#">setIntervalDS()</a> on page 8-200	Set a parameter to a <code>IntervalDS</code> value.
<a href="#">setIntervalYM()</a> on page 8-200	Set a parameter to a <code>IntervalYM</code> value.
<a href="#">setMaxIterations()</a> on page 8-200	Set the maximum number of invocations that will be made for the DML statement.
<a href="#">setMaxParamSize()</a> on page 8-201	Set the maximum amount of data that can sent or returned from the parameter.

**Table 8–20 Statement Methods (Cont.)**

Method	Description
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-201	Set a parameter to SQL null.
<a href="#">setNumber()</a> on page 8-202	Set a parameter to a <code>Number</code> value.
<a href="#">setObject()</a> on page 8-202	Set the value of a parameter using an object.
<a href="#">setPrefetchMemorySize()</a> on page 8-203	Set the amount of memory that will be used internally by OCCI to store data fetched during each round trip to the server.
<a href="#">setPrefetchRowCount()</a> on page 8-203	Set the number of rows that will be fetched internally by OCCI during each round trip to the server.
<a href="#">setRef()</a> on page 8-204	Set a parameter to a <code>RefAny</code> value.
<a href="#">setRowid()</a> on page 8-204	Set a row id bytes array for a bind position.
<a href="#">setSQL()</a> on page 8-204	Associate a new SQL string with a <code>Statement</code> object.
<a href="#">setString()</a> on page 8-205	Set a parameter to an string value.
<a href="#">setTimestamp()</a> on page 8-205	Set a parameter to a <code>Timestamp</code> value.
<a href="#">setUInt()</a> on page 8-206	Set a parameter to a C++ unsigned int value.
<a href="#">setVector()</a> on page 8-206	Set a parameter to a vector of unsigned int.
<a href="#">status()</a> on page 8-210	Return the current status of the statement. This is useful when there is streamed data to be written.

## addIteration()

After specifying set parameters, an iteration is added for execution.

### Syntax

```
void addIteration();
```

## closeResultSet()

In many cases, it is desirable to immediately release a result set's database and OCCI resources instead of waiting for this to happen when it is automatically closed; the `closeResultSet` method provides this immediate release.

**Syntax**

```
void closeResultSet(ResultSet *resultSet);
```

**Parameters**

**resultSet**

The resultset to be closed. The resultset should have been obtained by a call to the `getResultSet` method on this statement.

## **closeStream()**

Closes the stream specified by the parameter `stream`.

**Syntax**

```
void closeStream(Stream *stream);
```

**Parameters**

**stream**

The stream to be closed.

## **execute()**

Executes a SQL statement that may return either a result set or an update count. The statement may have read-able streams which may have to be written, in which case the results of the execution may not be readily available. The returned value is one of the following:

- UNPREPARED
- PREPARED
- RESULT\_SET\_AVAILABLE
- UPDATE\_COUNT\_AVAILABLE
- NEEDS\_STREAM\_DATA
- STREAM\_DATA\_AVAILABLE

If `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE` is returned, the `getResultSet()` method must be called to get the result set.



If `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE` is returned, the `getUpdateCount` method must be called to find out the update count.

If `NEEDS_STREAM_DATA` is returned, output Streams must be written for the streamed IN bind parameters. If there is more than one streamed parameter, call the `getCurrentStreamParam` method to find out the bind parameter needing the stream. If the statement is executed iteratively, call `getCurrentIteration` to find out the iteration for which stream needs to be written.

If `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE` is returned, input Streams must be read for the streamed OUT bind parameters. If there is more than one streamed parameter, call the `getCurrentStreamParam` method to find out the bind parameter needing the stream. If the statement is executed iteratively, call `getCurrentIteration` to find out the iteration for which stream needs to be read.

If only one OUT value is returned for each invocation of the DML returning statement, iterative executes can be performed for DML returning statements. If output streams are used for OUT bind variables, they must be completely read in order. The `getCurrentStreamParam` method would indicate which stream needs to be read. Similarly, `getCurrentIteration` would indicate the iteration for which data is available.

#### Returns

- `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE`-- call `getResultSet()`
- `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE` -- call `getUpdateCount()`
- `NEEDS_STREAM_DATA` -- call `getCurrentStream()` and `getCurrentIteration()`, and write (or read) stream

#### Syntax

```
Status execute(const string &sql = "");
```

#### Parameters

##### sql

The SQL statement to be executed. This can be null if the `setSQL` method was used to associate the sql with the statement.

## **executeArrayUpdate()**

Executes insert/update/delete statements which use only the `setDataBuffer()` or stream interface for bind parameters. The bind parameters must be arrays of size

`arrayLength` parameter. The statement may have read-able streams which may have to be written. The returned value is one of the following:

- `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE`
- `NEEDS_STREAM_DATA`
- `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE`
- `PREPARED`
- `UNPREPARED`

If `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE` is returned, `getUpdateCount()` must be called to find out the update count.

If `NEEDS_STREAM_DATA` is returned, output Streams must be written for the streamed bind parameters. If there is more than one streamed parameter, `getCurrentStreamParam()` can be called to find out the bind parameter needing the stream. The `getCurrentIteration()` can be called to find out the iteration for which stream needs to be written.

If `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE` is returned, input Streams must be read for the streamed OUT bind parameters. If there is more than one streamed parameter, `getCurrentStreamParam()` can be called to find out the bind parameter needing the stream. If the statement is executed iteratively, `getCurrentIteration()` can be called to find out the iteration for which stream needs to be read.

If only one OUT value is returned for each invocation of the DML returning statement, array executes can be done for DML returning statements also. If output streams are used for OUT bind variables, they must be completely read in order. The `getCurrentStreamParam()` method would indicate which stream needs to be read. Similarly, `getCurrentIteration()` would indicate the iteration for which data is available.

Note that you cannot perform array executes for queries or callable statements.

### Syntax

```
Status executeArrayUpdate(unsigned int arrayLength);
```

### Parameters

#### `arrayLength`

The number of elements provided in each buffer of bind variables. The statement is executed this many times with each array element used for each iteration. Returns:

- `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE` -- call `getUpdateCount()`

- `NEEDS_STREAM_DATA` -- call `getCurrentStream()` and `getCurrentIteration()`, and write (or read) stream

## **executeQuery()**

Execute a SQL statement that returns a `ResultSet`. Should not be called for a statement which is not a query, has streamed parameters. Returns a `ResultSet` that contains the data produced by the query

### **Syntax**

```
ResultSet * executeQuery(const string &sql = "");
```

### **Parameters**

#### **sql**

sql statement to be executed. This can be null if `setSQL()` was used to associate the sql with the statement.

## **executeUpdate()**

Executes a non-query statement such as a SQL `INSERT`, `UPDATE`, `DELETE` statement, a DDL statement such as `CREATE`/`ALTER` and so on, or a stored procedure call. Returns either the row count for `INSERT`, `UPDATE` or `DELETE` or 0 for SQL statements that return nothing

### **Syntax**

```
unsigned int executeUpdate(const string &sql = "");
```

### **Parameters**

#### **sql**

The SQL statement to be executed. This can be null if the `setSQL` method was used to associate the sql with the statement.

## **getAutoCommit()**

Get the current auto-commit state. Returns Current state of auto-commit mode.

### **Syntax**

```
bool getAutoCommit() const;
```

## getBfile()

Get the value of a `BFILE` parameter as a `Bfile` object. Returns the parameter value.

### Syntax

```
Bfile getBfile(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getBlob()

Get the value of a `BLOB` parameter as a `Blob`. Returns the parameter value

### Syntax

```
Blob getBlob(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getBytes()

Get the value of a `SQL BINARY` or `VARBINARY` parameter as `Bytes`. Returns the parameter value; if the value is `SQL null`, the result is `null`.

### Syntax

```
Bytes getBytes(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getCharSet()

Returns the character set that is in effect for the specified parameter, as a string.

### Syntax

```
string getCharSet(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getClob()

Get the value of a CLOB parameter as a Clob. Returns the parameter value.

### Syntax

```
Clob getClob(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getConnection()

### Syntax

```
const Connection* getConnection() const;
```

## getCurrentIteration()

If the prepared statement has any output Streams, this method returns the current iteration of the statement that is being processed by OCCI. If this method is called after all the invocations in the set of iterations has been processed, it returns 0. Returns the iteration number of the current iteration that is being processed. The first iteration is numbered 1 and so on. If the statement has finished execution, a 0 is returned.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getCurrentIteration() const;
```

**getCurrentStreamIteration()**

Returns the current param stream for which data is available.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getCurrentStreamIteration() const;
```

**getCurrentStreamParam()**

If the prepared statement has any output `Stream` parameters, this method returns the parameter index of the current output `Stream` that must be written. If no output `Stream` needs to be written, or there are no output `Stream` parameters in the prepared statement, this method returns 0.

Returns the parameter index of the current output `Stream` parameter that must be written.

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getCurrentStreamParam() const;
```

**getCursor()**

Get the `REF CURSOR` value of an `OUT` parameter as a `ResultSet`. Data can be fetched from this result set. The `OUT` parameter must be registered as `CURSOR` with the `Statement.registerOutParam(int paramIndex, CURSOR)` method. Note that if there are multiple `REF CURSOR`s being returned due to a batched call, data from each cursor must be completely fetched before retrieving the next `REF CURSOR` and starting fetch on it. Returns A `ResultSet` for the `OUT` parameter value.

**Syntax**

```
ResultSet * getCursor(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getDatabaseNCHARParam()

Returns whether data is in NCHAR character set or not.

### Syntax

```
bool getDatabaseNCHARParam(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getDate()

Get the value of a SQL DATE parameter as a Date object. Returns the parameter value; if the value is SQL null, the result is null.

### Syntax

```
Date getDate(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

the first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getDouble()

Get the value of a DOUBLE parameter as a C++ double. Returns the parameter value; if the value is SQL null, the result is 0.

### Syntax

```
double getDouble(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getFloat()

Get the value of a `FLOAT` parameter as a C++ float. Returns the parameter value; if the value is SQL null, the result is 0.

**Syntax**

```
float getFloat(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getInt()

Get the value of an `INTEGER` parameter as a C++ int. Returns the parameter value; if the value is SQL null, the result is 0

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getInt(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getIntervalDS()

Get the value of a parameter as a `IntervalDS` object.

**Syntax**

```
IntervalDS getIntervalDS(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .



## getIntervalYM()

Get the value of a parameter as a `IntervalYM` object.

### Syntax

```
IntervalYM getIntervalYM(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getMaxIterations()

Gets the current limit on maximum number of iterations. Default is 1. Returns the current maximum number of iterations.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int getMaxIterations() const;
```

## getMaxParamSize()

The `maxParamSize` limit (in bytes) is the maximum amount of data sent or returned for any parameter value; it only applies to character and binary types. If the limit is exceeded, the excess data is silently discarded. Returns the current max parameter size limit

### Syntax

```
unsigned int getMaxParamSize(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getNumber()

Get the value of a `NUMERIC` parameter as a `Number` object. Returns the parameter value; if the value is SQL nullnull, the result is null.

**Syntax**

```
Number getNumber(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getObject()**

Get the value of a parameter as a `PObject`. This method returns an `PObject` whose type corresponds to the SQL type that was registered for this parameter using `registerOutParam`. Note that this method may be used to read database-specific, abstract data types. Returns A `PObject` holding the `OUT` parameter value.

**Syntax**

```
PObject * getObject(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getOCIStatement()**

Get the OCI statement handle associated with the `Statement`. Returns the OCI statement handle associated with the `Statement`

**Syntax**

```
LNOCIStmt * getOCIStatement() const;
```

**getRef()**

Get the value of a `REF` parameter as `RefAny`. Returns the parameter value.

**Syntax**

```
RefAny getRef(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getResultSet()**

Returns the current result as a `ResultSet`.

**Syntax**

```
ResultSet * getResultSet();
```

**getRowid()**

Get the `rowid` param value as a `Bytes`

**Syntax**

```
Bytes getRowid(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getSQL()**

Returns the current SQL string associated with the `Statement` object.

**Syntax**

```
string getSQL() const;
```

**getStream()****Syntax**

```
Stream * getStream(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getString()**

Get the value of a CHAR, VARCHAR, or LONGVARCHAR parameter as a string. Returns the parameter value; if the value is SQL null, the result is empty string.

**Syntax**

```
string getString(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getTimestamp()**

Get the value of a SQL TIMESTAMP parameter as a Timestamp object. Returns the parameter value; if the value is SQL null, the result is null

**Syntax**

```
Timestamp getTimestamp(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**getUInt()**

Get the value of a BIGINT parameter as a C++ unsigned int. Returns the parameter value; if the value is SQL null, the result is 0

**Syntax**

```
unsigned int getUInt(unsigned int paramIndex);
```

## Parameters

### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## getUpdateCount()

Returns the current result as an update count.

### Syntax

```
unsigned int getUpdateCount() const;
```

## getVector()

This method returns the column in the current position as a vector. The column at the position , specified by index, should be a collection type (`varray` or nested table). The SQL type of the elements in the collection should be compatible with the type of the vector

### Syntax

There are variant of syntax:

```
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<int> &vect;
```

```
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramindex,  
              vector<string> &vect;
```

```
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int index,  
              vector<unsigned int> &vect;
```

```
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramindex,  
              vector<float> &vect;
```

```
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramindex,
```

```
vector<double> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramindex,  
              vector<Date> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramindex,  
              vector<Timestamp> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<RefAny> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<Blob> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<Clob> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<Bfile> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<Number> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<IntervalDS> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<IntervalYM> &vect;  
  
void getVector(Statement *stmt,
```

```
    unsigned int paramIndex,
    vector<T *> &vect);
```

```
void getVector(Statement *stmt,
    unsigned int paramIndex,
    vector<T> &vect);
```

In particular, the last two variants are identical. The former is intended for use on platforms where partial ordering of function templates is supported and the latter on those it is not.

Similarly, the variant

```
void getVector(Statement *stmt,
    unsigned int paramIndex,
    vector< Ref<T> > &vect);
```

is available only on platforms where partial ordering of function templates is supported. This function may be deprecated in the future. `getVectorOfRefs()` can be used instead.

### Parameters

#### **statement**

statement

#### **paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, second parameter is 2, ...

#### **vect**

Reference to the vector (OUT parameter) into which the values should be retrieved.

## **getVectorOfRefs()**

This method returns the column in the current position as a vector of REFs. The column should be a collection type (varray or nested table) of REFs.

### **Syntax**

```
void getVectorOfRefs(Statement *stmt,
    unsigned int index,
    vector< Ref<T> > &vect);
```

**Parameters****stmt**

The statement.

**index**

The column index (the first column is 1, the second is 2, . . .)

**vect**

The reference to the vector of REFs (OUT parameter).

It is recommended to use `getVectorOfRefs` instead of specialized `getVector` function for `Ref<T>`.

**isNull()**

An OUT parameter may have the value of SQL null; `wasNull` reports whether the last value read has this special value. Note that you must first call `getXXX` on a parameter to read its value and then call `wasNull()` to see if the value was SQL null. Returns `true` if the last parameter read was SQL null

**Syntax**

```
bool isNull(unsigned int paramIndex ) const;
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . .

**isTruncated()**

This method checks whether the value of the parameter is truncated. If the value of the parameter is truncated, then `true` is returned; otherwise, `false` is returned.

**Syntax**

```
bool isTruncated(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```



## Parameters

### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## preTruncationLength()

Returns the actual length of the parameter before truncation.

### Syntax

```
int preTruncationLength(unsigned int paramIndex) const;
```

## Parameters

### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

## registerOutParam()

This method registers the type of each out parameter of a PL/SQL stored procedure. Before executing a PL/SQL stored procedure, you must explicitly call this method to register the type of each out parameter. This method should be called for out parameters only. Use the `setxxx` method for in/out parameters.

When reading the value of an out parameter, you must use the `getxxx` method that corresponds to the parameter's registered SQL type. For example, use `getInt` or `getNumber` when `OCCIINT` or `OCCINumber` is the type specified.

If a PL/SQL stored procedure has an out parameter of type `ROWID`, the type specified in this method should be `OCCISTRING`. The value of the out parameter can then be retrieved by calling the `getString()` method.

If a PL/SQL stored procedure has an in/out parameter of type `ROWID`, call the methods `setString()` and `getString()` to set the type and retrieve the value of the in/out parameter.

### Syntax

```
void registerOutParam(unsigned int paramIndex,  
    Type type,  
    unsigned int maxSize = 0,  
    const string &sqltype = "");
```

### Parameters

#### **paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### **type**

SQL type code defined by *type*; only datatypes corresponding to OCCI data types such as *Date*, *Bytes*, and so on.

#### **maxSize**

The maximum size of the retrieved value. For datatypes of *OCCIBYTES* and *OCCISTRING*, *maxSize* should be greater than 0.

#### **sqltype**

The name of the type in the data base (used for types which have been created with *CREATE TYPE*)

## setAutoCommit()

A *Statement* can be in auto-commit mode. In this case any statement executed is also automatically committed. By default, the auto-commit mode is turned-off.

#### **Syntax**

```
void setAutoCommit(bool autoCommit);
```

#### **Parameters**

#### **autoCommit**

True enables auto-commit; false disables auto-commit.

## setBfile()

Set a parameter to a *Bfile* value.

#### **Syntax**

```
void setBfile(unsigned int paramIndex,  
              const Bfile &x);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The parameter value.

**setBinaryStreamMode()**

Defines that a column is to be returned as a binary stream by the `getStream` method.

**Syntax**

```
void setBinaryStreamMode(unsigned int colIndex,  
    unsigned int size);
```

**Parameters****colIndex**

Column to be bound as a stream. The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**size**

The amount of data to be read or returned as a binary stream.

**setBlob()**

Set a parameter to a `Blob` value.

**Syntax**

```
void setBlob(unsigned int paramIndex,  
    const Blob &x);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**  
The parameter value.

## **setBytes()**

Set a parameter to a `Bytes` array.

### **Syntax**

```
void setBytes(unsigned int paramIndex,  
              const Bytes &x);
```

### **Parameters**

#### **paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**  
The parameter value.

## **setCharacterStreamMode()**

Defines that a column is to be returned as a character stream by the `getStream` method.

### **Syntax**

```
void setCharacterStreamMode(unsigned int colIndex,  
                             unsigned int size);
```

### **Parameters**

#### **colIndex**

The first column is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### **size**

## setCharSet()

Overrides the default character set for the specified parameter. Data is assumed to be in the specified character set and is converted to database character set. For OUT binds, this specifies the character set to which database characters are converted to.

### Syntax

```
void setCharSet(unsigned int paramIndex,  
               string charSet);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### charSet

Selected character set, as a string.

## setClob()

Set a parameter to a Clob value.

### Syntax

```
void setClob(unsigned int paramIndex,  
             const Clob &x);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### x

The parameter value.

## setDate()

Set a parameter to a Date value.

**Syntax**

```
void setDate(unsigned int paramIndex,  
             const Date &x);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The parameter value.

**setDatabaseNCHARParam()**

If the parameter is going to be inserted in a column that contains data in the database's NCHAR character set, then OCCI must be informed by passing a true value. A false can be passed to restore the default. Returns returns the character set that is in effect for the specified parameter.

**Syntax**

```
void setDatabaseNCHARParam(unsigned int paramIndex,  
                           bool isNCHAR);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**isNCHAR**

True if this parameter contains data in Database's NCHAR character set; false otherwise.

**setDataBuffer()**

Specify a data buffer where data would be available. Also, used for OUT bind parameters of callable statements (and DML returning OUT binds in future).

The *buffer* parameter is a pointer to a user allocated data buffer. The current length of data must be specified in the *\*length* parameter. The amount of data should not exceed the *size* parameter. Finally, *type* is the data type of the data.

Note that not all `types` can be supplied in the buffer. For example, all OCCI allocated types (such as `Bytes`, `Date` and so on.) cannot be provided by the `setDataBuffer` interface. Similarly, C++ Standard Library strings cannot be provided with the `setDataBuffer` interface either. The `type` can be any of OCI data types such `VARCHAR2`, `CSTRING`, `CHARZ` and so on.

If `setDataBuffer()` is used to specify data for iterative or array executes, it should be called only once in the first iteration only. For subsequent iterations, OCCI would assume that data is at `buffer + i*size` location where `i` is the iteration number. Similarly the length of the data would be assumed to be at `*(length + i)`.

### Syntax

```
void setDataBuffer(unsigned int paramIndex,  
                  void *buffer,  
                  Type type,  
                  sb4 size,  
                  ub2 *length,  
                  sb2 *ind = NULL,  
                  ub2 *rc= NULL);
```

### Parameters

#### **paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### **buffer**

Pointer to user-allocated buffer; if iterative or array executes are done, it should have `numIterations * size` bytes in it.

#### **type**

Type of the data that is provided (or retrieved) in the buffer

#### **size**

Size of the data buffer; for iterative and array executes, it is the size of each element of the data items

#### **length**

Pointer to the length of data in the buffer; for iterative and array executes, it should be an array of length data for each buffer element; the size of the array should be equal to `arrayLength`.

**ind**

Indicator. For iterative and array executes, an indicator for every buffer element

**rc**

Return code — for iterative and array executes, a return code for every buffer element

**setDataBufferArray()**

Specify an array of data buffers where data would be available for reading or writing. Used for IN, OUT, and IN/OUT bind parameters for stored procedures which read/write array parameters.

A stored procedure can have an array of values for IN, IN/OUT, or OUT parameters. In this case, the parameter must be specified using the `setDataBufferArray()` method. The array is specified just as for the `setDataBuffer()` method for iterative or array executes, but the number of elements in the array is determined by `*arrayLength` parameter.

For OUT and IN/OUT parameters, the maximum number of elements in the array is specified by the `arraySize` parameter. Note that for iterative prepared statements, the number of elements in the array is determined by the number of iterations, and for array executes the number of elements in the array is determined by the `arrayLength` parameter of the `executeArrayUpdate()` method. However, for array parameters of stored procedures, the number of elements in the array must be specified in the `*arrayLength` parameter of the `setDataBufferArray()` method because each parameter may have a different size array.

This is different from prepared statements where for iterative and array executes, the number of elements in the array for each parameter is the same and is determined by the number of iterations of the statement, but a callable statement is executed only once, and each of its parameter can be a varying length array with possibly a different length.

Note that for OUT and IN/OUT binds, the number of elements returned in the array is returned in `*arrayLength` as well. The client must make sure that it has allocated `elementSize * arraySize` bytes for the *buffer*.

**Syntax**

```
void setDataBufferArray(unsigned int paramIndex,  
    void *buffer,  
    Type type,  
    ub4 arraySize,
```



```
ub4 *arrayLength,  
sb4 elementSize,  
ub2 *elementLength,  
sb2 *ind = NULL,  
ub2 *rc = NULL);
```

### Parameters

#### **paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### **buffer**

Pointer to user-allocated buffer. It should have `size * arraySize` bytes in it

#### **type**

Type of the data that is provided (or retrieved) in the buffer

#### **arraySize**

Maximum number of elements in the array

#### **arrayLength**

Pointer to number of current elements in the array

#### **elementSize**

Size of the data buffer for each element

#### **elementLength**

Pointer to an array of lengths. `elementLength[i]` has the current length of the *i*th element of the array.

#### **ind**

Pointer to an array of indicators. An indicator for every buffer element.

#### **rc**

Pointer to an array of return codes.

## setDouble()

Set a parameter to a C++ double value.

### Syntax

```
void setDouble(unsigned int paramIndex,  
              double x);
```

### Parameters

#### **paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### **x**

The parameter value.

## setErrorOnNull()

Enables/disables exceptions for reading of null values on `paramIndex` parameter of the statement. If exceptions are enabled, calling a `getxxx` on `paramIndex` parameter would result in an `SQLException` if the parameter value is null. This call can also be used to disable exceptions.

### Syntax

```
void setErrorOnNull(unsigned int paramIndex,  
                   bool causeException);
```

### Parameters

#### **paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### **causeException**

Enable exceptions if true, disable if false

## setErrorOnTruncate()

This method enables/disables exceptions when truncation occurs.

**Syntax**

```
void setErrorOnTruncate(unsigned int paramIndex,  
    bool causeException);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**causeException**

Enable exceptions if true. Disable if false.

**setFloat()**

Set a parameter to a C++ float value.

**Syntax**

```
void setFloat(unsigned int paramIndex,  
    float x);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The parameter value.

**setInt()**

Set a parameter to a C++ int value.

**Syntax**

```
void setInt(unsigned int paramIndex,  
    int x);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The parameter value.

## **setIntervalDS()**

Set a parameter to a `IntervalDS` value.

### **Syntax**

```
void setIntervalDS(unsigned int paramIndex,  
                  const IntervalDS &x);
```

### **Parameters**

#### **paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The parameter value.

## **setIntervalYM()**

Set a parameter to a `Interval` value.

### **Syntax**

```
void setIntervalYM(unsigned int paramIndex,  
                  const IntervalYM &x);
```

### **Parameters**

#### **paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The parameter value.

## **setMaxIterations()**

Sets the maximum number of invocations that will be made for the DML statement. This must be called before any parameters are set on the prepared statement. The

larger the iterations, the larger the numbers of parameters sent to the server in one round trip. However, a large number causes more memory to be reserved for all the parameters. Note that this is just the maximum limit. Actual number of iterations depends on the number of `addIterations()` that are done.

**Syntax**

```
void setMaxIterations(unsigned int maxIterations);
```

**Parameters****maxIterations**

Maximum number of iterations allowed on this statement.

**setMaxParamSize()**

This method sets the maximum amount of data to be sent or received for the specified parameter. It only applies to character and binary data. If the maximum amount is exceeded, the excess data is discarded. This method can be very useful when working with a `LONG` column. It can be used to truncate the `LONG` column by reading or writing it into a string or `Bytes` data type.

If the `setString` or `setBytes` method has been called to bind a value to an IN/OUT parameter of a pl/sql procedure, and the size of the OUT value is expected to be greater than the size of the IN value, then `setMaxParamSize` should be called.

**Syntax**

```
void setMaxParamSize(unsigned int paramIndex,  
                    unsigned int maxSize);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**maxSize**

The new max parameter size limit (> 0).

**setNull()**

Set a parameter to SQL null. Note that you must specify the parameter's SQL type.

**Syntax**

```
void setNull(unsigned int paramIndex,  
            Type type);
```

**Parameters**

**paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**type**

SQL type code defined by Type

**setNumber()**

Set a parameter to a `Number` value.

**Syntax**

```
void setNumber(unsigned int paramIndex,  
              const Number &x);
```

**Parameters**

**paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The parameter value.

**setObject()**

Set the value of a parameter using an object; use the `C++.lang` equivalent objects for integral values. The OCCI specification specifies a standard mapping from `C++ Object` types to SQL types. The given parameter `C++ object` will be converted to the corresponding SQL type before being sent to the database.

**Syntax**

```
void setObject(unsigned int paramIndex,  
              PObject * x);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The object containing the input parameter value.

**setPrefetchMemorySize()**

Set the amount of memory that will be used internally by OCCI to store data fetched during each round trip to the server. A value of 0 means that the amount of data fetched during the round trip is constrained by the `FetchRowCount` parameter. If both parameters are nonzero, the smaller of the two is used.

**Syntax**

```
void setPrefetchMemorySize(unsigned int bytes);
```

**Parameters****bytes**

Number of bytes to use for storing data fetched during each round trip to the server.

**setPrefetchRowCount()**

Set the number of rows that will be fetched internally by OCCI during each round trip to the server. A value of 0 means that the amount of data fetched during the round trip is constrained by the `FetchMemorySize` parameter. If both parameters are nonzero, the smaller of the two is used. If both of these parameters are zero, row count internally defaults to 1 row and that is the value returned from the `getFetchRowCount` method.

**Syntax**

```
void setPrefetchRowCount(unsigned int rowCount);
```

**Parameters****rowCount**

Number of rows to fetch for each round trip to the server.

## setRef()

Set a parameter to a `RefAny` value.

### Syntax

```
void setRef(unsigned int paramIndex,  
            RefAny &x);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### x

The parameter value.

## setRowid()

Set a `Rowid` bytes array for a bind position.

### Syntax

```
void setRowid(unsigned int paramIndex,  
              const Bytes &x);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### x

The parameter value.

## setSQL()

A new SQL string can be associated with a `Statement` object by this call. Resources associated with the previous SQL statement are freed. In particular, a previously obtained result set is invalidated. If an empty sql string, "", was used when the `Statement` was created, a `setSQL` method with the proper SQL string must be done prior to execution.



**Syntax**

```
void setSQL(const string &sql);
```

**Parameters****sql**

Any SQL statement.

**setString()**

Set a parameter to an string value.

**Syntax**

```
void setString(unsigned int paramIndex,  
               const string &x);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The parameter value.

**setTimestamp()**

Set a parameter to a Timestamp value.

**Syntax**

```
void setTimestamp(unsigned int paramIndex,  
                  const Timestamp &x);
```

**Parameters****paramIndex**

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

**x**

The parameter value.

## setUInt()

Set a parameter to a C++ unsigned int value.

### Syntax

```
void setUInt(unsigned int paramIndex,  
            unsigned int x);
```

### Parameters

#### paramIndex

The first parameter is 1, the second is 2, . . . .

#### x

The parameter value.

## setVector()

This method sets a parameter to a vector. This method should be used when the type is a collection type -- varrays or nested tables. The SQL Type of the elements in the collection should be compatible with the type of the vector. For example, if the collection is a varray of VARCHAR2, use vector<string>

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
             unsigned int paramIndex,  
             vector<int> &vect,  
             string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
             unsigned int paramIndex,  
             vector<unsigned int> &vect,  
             string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
             unsigned int paramIndex,  
             vector<double> &vect,  
             string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
    unsigned int paramIndex,  
    vector<float> &vect,  
    string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
    unsigned int paramIndex,  
    vector<string> &vect,  
    string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
    unsigned int paramIndex,  
    vector<RefAny> &vect,  
    string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
    unsigned int paramIndex,  
    vector<Blob> &vect,  
    string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
    unsigned int paramIndex,  
    vector<Clob> &vect,  
    string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
    unsigned int paramIndex,  
    vector<Bfile> &vect,  
    string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
    unsigned int paramIndex,  
    vector<Timestamp> &vect,  
    string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
    unsigned int paramIndex,  
    vector<IntervalDS> &vect,  
    string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<IntervalYM> &vect,  
              string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<Date> &vect,  
              string sqltype);
```

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<Number> &vect,  
              string sqltype);
```

```
template <class T>  
void setVector( Statement *stmt, unsigned int paramIndex,  
              const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector< T > &vect,  
              const OCCI_STD_  NAMESPACE::string &sqltype) ;
```

```
template <class T>  
void setVector( Statement *stmt, unsigned int paramIndex,  
              const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector<T* > &vect,  
              const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &sqltype) ;
```

In particular, the last two variants are identical. The former is intended for use on platforms where partial ordering of function templates is supported and the latter on those it is not.

Similarly, the variant

```
void setVector(Statement *stmt,  
              unsigned int paramIndex,  
              vector<Ref<T>> &vect,  
              string sqltype);
```

is available only on platforms where partial ordering of function templates is supported. This function may be deprecated in the future. `setVectorOfRefs()` can be used instead.

**Parameters****stmt**

statement on which parameter is to be set.

**paramIndex**

parameter index , first parameter is 1, second is 2, ...

**vect**

vector to be set.

**sqltype**

sqltype of the parameter/column.

For example, CREATE TYPE num\_coll AS VARRAY OF NUMBER. And the column/parameter type is num\_coll. The sqltype would be num\_coll.

**setVectorOfRefs()**

This method sets a parameter to a vector . This method should be used when the type is a collection of REFS -- varrays or nested tables of REFs

**Syntax**

```
template <class T>
void setVectorOfRefs(Statement *stmt, unsigned int paramIndex,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::vector<Ref<T> > &vect,
    const OCCI_STD_NAMESPACE::string &sqltype) ;
```

**Parameters****stmt**

statement on which parameter is to be set.

**paramIndex**

parameter index , first parameter is 1, second is 2, ...

**vect**

vector to be set

**sqltype**

sqltype of the parameter/column.

It is recommended to use `setVectorOfRefs` instead of specialised function `setVector` for `Ref<T>`.

**status()**

Returns the current status of the statement. Useful when there is streamed data to be written (or read). Other methods such as `getCurrentStreamParam` and `getCurrentIteration` can be called to find out the streamed parameter that needs to be written and the current iteration number for an iterative or array execute.

The `status` method can be called repeatedly to find out the status of the execution. Returns one of following:

- `RESULT_SET_AVAILABLE`-- call `getResultSet()`
- `UPDATE_COUNT_AVAILABLE` -- call `getUpdateCount()`
- `NEEDS_STREAM_DATA` -- call `getCurrentStream()` and `getCurrentIteration()`, and write stream
- `STREAM_DATA_AVAILABLE` -- call `getCurrentStream()` and `getCurrentIteration()`, and read stream
- `PREPARED`
- `UNPREPARED`

**Syntax**

```
Status status() const;
```

---

## Stream Class

You use a Stream to read or write streamed data (usually LONG).

- A read-able stream is used to obtain streamed data from a result set or OUT bind variable from a stored procedure call. A read-able stream must be read completely until the end of data is reached or it should be closed to discard any unwanted data.
- A write-able stream is used to provide streamed data (usually LONG) to parameterized statements including callable statements.

```
Stream()
enum Status
{
    READY_FOR_READ,
    READY_FOR_WRITE,
    INACTIVE
};
```

## Summary of Stream Methods

**Table 8–21 Stream Methods**

Method	Summary
<a href="#">readBuffer()</a> on page 8-211	Reads the stream and returns the amount of data read from the Stream object.
<a href="#">readLastBuffer()</a> on page 8-212	Reads last buffer from Stream.
<a href="#">writeBuffer()</a> on page 8-212	Writes data from buffer to the stream.
<a href="#">writeLastBuffer()</a> on page 8-213	Writes the last data from buffer to the stream.
<a href="#">status()</a> on page 8-213	Returns the current status of the stream.

### readBuffer()

Reads data from `Stream`. The `size` parameter specifies the maximum number of byte characters to read. Returns the amount of data read from the `Stream` object. `-1` means end of data on the stream.

**Syntax**

```
int readBuffer(char *buffer,  
              unsigned int size);
```

**Parameters**

**buffer**

Pointer to data buffer; must be allocated and freed by caller

**size**

Size of the buffer.

## readLastBuffer()

This method reads the last buffer from the `Stream`. It can also be called to discard unread data.

The `size` parameter specifies the maximum number of byte characters to read. Returns the amount of data read from the `Stream` object. -1 means end of data on the stream.

**Syntax**

```
int readLastBuffer(char *buffer,  
                  unsigned int size);
```

**Parameters**

**buffer**

Pointer to data buffer; must be allocated and freed by caller.

**size**

Specifies the maximum number of bytes to be read.

## writeBuffer()

Writes data from buffer to the stream. The amount of data written is determined by `size`.

**Syntax**

```
void writeBuffer(char *buffer,  
                unsigned int size);
```



**Parameters****buffer**

Pointer to data buffer.

**size**

Number of char's in the buffer.

**writeLastBuffer()**

This method writes the last data buffer to the stream. It can also be called to write the last chunk of data.

The amount of data written is determined by size.

**Syntax**

```
void writeLastBuffer(char *buffer,  
    unsigned int size);
```

**Parameters****buffer**

Pointer to data buffer.

**size**

Specifies the number of bytes to be written.

**status()**

Returns the current status of the streams, which can be one of the following:

- `READY_FOR_READ`
- `READY_FOR_WRITE`
- `INACTIVE`

**Syntax**

```
Status status() const;
```

---

## Timestamp Class

This class conforms to the SQL92 `TIMESTAMP` and `TIMESTAMPTZ` types.

OCCI expects the SQL data type corresponding to the `Timestamp` class to be of type `TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE`.

```
Timestamp(const Environment *env,  
          int year = 1,  
          unsigned int month = 1,  
          unsigned int day = 1,  
          unsigned int hour = 0,  
          unsigned int min = 0,  
          unsigned int sec = 0,  
          unsigned int fs = 0,  
          int tzhour = 0  
          int tzmin=0
```

A `SQLException` will occur if a parameter is out of range.

`year` - -4713 to 9999

`month` 1 to 12

`day` - 1 to 31

`hour` - 0 to 23

`min` - 0 to 59

`sec` - 0 to 61

`tzhour` - -12 to 14

`tzmin` - -59 to 59

Returns a null `Timestamp` object. A null timestamp can be initialized by assignment or calling the `fromText` method. Methods that can be called on null timestamp objects are `setNull`, `isNull` and `operator=()`.

```
Timestamp();
```

Assigns the values found in `a`.

```
Timestamp(const Timestamp &src);
```

The following code example demonstrates that the default constructor creates a null value, and how you can assign a non null value to a timestamp and perform operations on it:

```
Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment();

//create a null timestamp
Timestamp ts;
if(ts.isNull())
    cout << "\n ts is Null";

//assign a non null value to ts
Timestamp notNullTs(env, 2000, 8, 17, 12, 0, 0, 0, 5, 30);
ts = notNullTs;

//now all operations are valid on ts...
int yr;
unsigned int mth, day;
ts.getDate(yr, mth, day);
```

The following code example demonstrates how to use the `fromText` method to initialize a null timestamp:

```
Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment();

Timestamp ts1;
ts1.fromText("01:16:17.12 04/03/1825", "hh:mi:sssxxf dd/mm/yyyy", "", env);
```

The following code example demonstrates how to get the timestamp column from a result set, check whether the timestamp is null, get the timestamp value in string format, and determine the difference between 2 timestamps:

```
Timestamp reft(env, 2001, 1, 1);
ResultSet *rs=stmt->executeQuery("select order_date from orders
                                where customer_id=1");
rs->next();

//retrieve the timestamp column from result set
Timestamp ts=rs->getTimestamp(1);

//check timestamp for null
if(!ts.isNull())
{
    //get the timestamp value in string format
    string tsstr=ts.toText("dd/mm/yyyy hh:mi:ss [tzh:tzm]",0);
```

```
    if(ref<ts //compare timestamps
    {
        IntervalDS ds=ref.subDS(ts); //get difference between timestamps
    }
}
```

## Summary of Timestamp Methods

**Table 8–22** *Timestamp Methods*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">fromText()</a> on page 8-217	Sets the time stamp from the values provided by the string.
<a href="#">getDate()</a> on page 8-218	Gets the date from the <code>Timestamp</code> object.
<a href="#">getTime()</a> on page 8-218	Gets the time from the <code>Timestamp</code> object.
<a href="#">getTimeZoneOffset()</a> on page 8-219	Returns the time zone hour and minute offset value.
<a href="#">intervalAdd()</a> on page 8-219	Returns a <code>Timestamp</code> object with value (this + interval).
<a href="#">intervalSub()</a> on page 8-220	Returns a <code>Timestamp</code> object with value (this - interval).
<a href="#">isNull()</a> on page 8-220	Check if <code>Timestamp</code> is null.
<a href="#">operator=()</a> on page 8-220	Simple assignment.
<a href="#">operator==()</a> on page 8-221	Check if a and b are equal.
<a href="#">operator!=()</a> on page 8-221	Check if a and b are not equal.
<a href="#">operator&gt;()</a> on page 8-221	Check if a is greater than b.
<a href="#">operator&gt;=()</a> on page 8-222	Check if a is greater than or equal to b.
<a href="#">operator&lt;()</a> on page 8-222	Check if a is less than b.
<a href="#">operator&lt;=()</a> on page 8-223	Check if a is less than or equal to b.
<a href="#">setDate()</a> on page 8-223	Sets the year, month, day components contained for this timestamp.
<a href="#">setNull()</a> on page 8-224	Sets the value of <code>Timestamp</code> to null
<a href="#">setTime()</a> on page 8-224	Sets the day, hour, minute, second and fractional second components for this timestamp.

**Table 8–22** *Timestamp Methods (Cont.)*

Method	Summary
<a href="#">setTimeZoneOffset()</a> on page 8-224	Sets the hour and minute offset for time zone.
<a href="#">subDS()</a> on page 8-225	Returns a <code>IntervalDS</code> representing this - val.
<a href="#">subYM()</a> on page 8-225	Returns a <code>IntervalYM</code> representing this - val.
<a href="#">toText()</a> on page 8-226	

## fromText()

This method sets the timestamp value from the string. The string is expected to be in the format specified. If `nlsParam` is specified, this will determine the nls parameters to be used for the conversion. If `nlsParam` is not specified, the nls parameters are picked up from the environment which has been passed. In case environment is not passed, NLS parameters are obtained from the environment associated with the instance, if any.

### Syntax

```
void fromText(const string &timestampStr,
             const string &fmt,
             const string &nlsParam = "",
             const Environment *env = NULL);
```

### Parameters

#### timestampStr

input string

#### fm

format string

#### nlsParam

language name

current support for English and American

#### env

environment whose nls params will be used.

## getDate()

Return the year, day, and month values of the `Timestamp`.

### Syntax

```
void getDate(int &year,  
            unsigned int &month,  
            unsigned int &day) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **year**

year component

#### **month**

month component

#### **day**

day component

## getTime()

Return the hour, minute, second, and fractional second (fs) components

### Syntax

```
void getTime(unsigned int &hour,  
            unsigned int &minute,  
            unsigned int &second,  
            unsigned int &fs) const;
```

### Parameters

#### **hour**

hour component

#### **minute**

minute component

**second**  
second component

**fs**  
fractional second component

## getTimeZoneOffset()

Returns the time zone offset in hours and minutes.

### Syntax

```
void getTimeZoneOffset(int &hour,  
    int &minute) const;
```

### Parameters

**hour**  
time zone hour

**minute**  
time zone minute

## intervalAdd()

Adds an interval to timestamp .

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
Timestamp intervalAdd(const IntervalDS& val) const;
```

```
Timestamp intervalAdd(const IntervalYM& val) const;
```

### Parameters

**val**  
interval to be added

## intervalSub()

Subtracts an interval from a timestamp and returns the result as a timestamp.

Returns a `Timestamp` with the value of `this - val`.

### Syntax

There are variants of syntax:

```
Timestamp intervalSub(const IntervalDS& val) const;
```

```
Timestamp intervalSub(const IntervalYM& val) const;
```

### Parameters

#### val

interval to be subtracted

## isNull()

Returns true if `Timestamp` is null or false otherwise.

### Syntax

```
bool isNull() const;
```

## operator=()

Assigns a given timestamp object to this object.

### Syntax

```
Timestamp & operator=(const Timestamp &src);
```

### Parameters

#### src

value to be assigned



## operator==( )

This method compares the timestamps specified. If the timestamps are equal Returns true if a is the same as b, false otherwise. If either a or b is null then false is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator==(const Timestamp &a,  
                const Timestamp &b);
```

### Parameters

**a, b**

Timestamps to be compared.

## operator!=( )

This method compares the timestamps specified. If the timestamps are not equal then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either timestamp is null then false is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator!=(const Timestamp &a,  
                const Timestamp &b);
```

### Parameters

**a, b**

Timestamps to be compared.

## operator>( )

Returns true if a is greater than b, false otherwise. If either a or b is null then false is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator>(const Timestamp &a,  
               const Timestamp &b);
```

### Parameters

**a**

**a, b**

Timestamps to be compared.

## operator>=()

This method compares the timestamps specified. If the first timestamp is greater than or equal to the second timestamp then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either timestamp is null then false is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator>=(const Timestamp &a,  
               const Timestamp &b);
```

### Parameters

**a, b**

Timestamps to be compared.

## operator<()

Returns true if a is less than b, false otherwise. If either a or b is null then false is returned.

### Syntax

```
bool operator<(const Timestamp &a,  
              const Timestamp &b);
```

### Parameters

**a, b**

Timestamps to be compared.

## operator<=()

This method compares the timestamps specified. If the first timestamp is less than or equal to the second timestamp then true is returned; otherwise, false is returned. If either timestamp is null then false is returned

### Syntax

```
bool operator<=(const Timestamp &a,  
                const Timestamp &b);
```

### Parameters

#### **a, b**

Timestamps to be compared.

## setDate()

Sets the year, month, day components contained for this timestamp

### Syntax

```
void setDate(int year,  
             unsigned int month,  
             unsigned int day);
```

### Parameters

#### **year**

year component to be set.

Valid values are -4713 through 9999.

#### **month**

month component to be set.

Valid values are 1 through 12.

#### **day**

day component to be set.

Valid values are 1 through 31.

## setNull()

Set the timestamp to null.

### Syntax

```
void setNull();
```

## setTime()

Sets the day, hour, minute, second and fractional second components for this timestamp.

### Syntax

```
void setTime(unsigned int hour,  
            unsigned int minute,  
            unsigned int second,  
            unsigned int fs);
```

### Parameters

#### hour

hour component.

Valid values are 0 through 23.

#### minute

minute component.

Valid values are 0 through 59.

#### second

second component.

Valid values are 0 through 59.

#### fs

fractional second component.

## setTimeZoneOffset()

Sets the hour and minute offset for time zone.

**Syntax**

```
void setTimeZoneOffset(int hour,  
    int minute);
```

**Parameters****hour**

time zone hour.

Valid values are -12 through 14.

**minute**

time zone minute.

Valid values are -59 through 59.

**subDS()**

Compute the difference between this timestamp and the specified timestamp and return the difference as an `IntervalDS`.

**Syntax**

```
IntervalDS subDS(const Timestamp& val) const;
```

**Parameters****val**

Timestamp to be subtracted.

**subYM()**

Compute the difference between timestamp values and return the difference as an `IntervalYM`.

**Syntax**

```
IntervalYM subYM(const Timestamp& val) const;
```

**Parameters****val**

Timestamp to be subtracted.

## toText()

Return string representation for the timestamp in the format specified. If `nlsParam` is specified, this will determine the nls parameters to be used for the conversion. If `nlsParam` is not specified, the nls parameters are picked up from the environment associated with the instance, if any.

### Syntax

```
string toText(const string &fmt,  
             unsigned int fsprec,  
             const string &nlsParam = "") const;
```

### Parameters

#### **fmt**

Format string.

#### **fsprec**

Precision required for the fractional seconds component.

#### **nlsParam**

Current support only for English, American.

#### **See Also:**

- Format Models in Oracle9i SQL Reference
- Table A-1 in Oracle9i Database Globalization Support Guide

# Part III

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## Appendix

This part contains one appendix:

- [Appendix A, "OCCI Demonstration Programs"](#)

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# OCCI Demonstration Programs

Oracle provides code examples illustrating the use of OCCI calls. These programs are provided for demonstration purposes, and are not guaranteed to run on all platforms.

The demonstration programs (demos) are available with your Oracle installation. The location, names, and availability of the programs may vary on different platforms. On a UNIX workstation, the programs are installed in the `ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/demo` directory.

The `$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/demo` directory contains not only demos but the file named `demo_rdbms.mk` that must be used as a template for building your own OCCI applications or external procedures. Building a new `demo_rdbms.mk` file consists of customizing the `demo_rdbms.mk` file by adding your own macros to the link line. However, Oracle requires that you keep the macros provided in the `demo_rdbms.mk` file, as it will result in simplified maintenance of your own `demo_rdbms.mk` files.

When a specific header or SQL file is required by the application, these files are also included. Review the information in the comments at the beginning of the demonstration programs for setups and hints on running the programs.

Prior to running any of these demos, the SQL file `occidemo.sql` must be run using the user name and password `SCOTT` and `TIGER` respectively.

[Table A-1](#) lists the important demonstration programs and the OCCI features that they illustrate.

**Table A-1** OCCI Demonstration Programs

Program Name	Features Illustrated
<code>occiblob.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to read and write BLOBs

**Table A-1 OCCI Demonstration Programs (Cont.)**

<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Features Illustrated</b>
<code>occiclob.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to read and write CLOBs
<code>occicoll.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to perform simple insert, delete, and update operations on a table column of type <code>Nested Table</code>
<code>occidesc.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to obtain metadata about a table, procedure, and object
<code>occidml.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to perform insert, select, update, and delete operations of a table row by using OCCI
<code>occiiinh.cpp</code>	Demonstrates object inheritance by using insert, select, update, and delete operations on a table row of subtype table
<code>occioobj.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to perform insert, select, update, and delete operations on a table row containing an object as one of its columns
<code>occipobj.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to perform insert, select, and update operations on persistent objects, as well as how to pin, unpin, mark for deletion, and flush an object
<code>occipool.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to use the connection pool interface of OCCI
<code>occiproc.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to invoke PL/SQL procedures with bind parameters
<code>occistre.cpp</code>	Demonstrates how to use OCCI <code>ResultSet</code> streams

## OCCI Demonstration Programs

This section lists each of the OCCI demonstration program files, in addition to the demo make file.

### `demo_rdbms.mk`

The following code is for the make file that generates the demonstration programs:

```
#
# Example for building demo OCI programs:
#
# 1. All OCI demos (including extdemo2, extdemo4 and extdemo5):
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk demos
#
```

```

# 2. A single OCI demo:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk build EXE=demo OBJS="demo.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk build EXE=oci02 OBJS=oci02.o
#
# 3. A single OCI demo with static libraries:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk build_static EXE=demo OBJS="demo.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk build_static EXE=oci02 OBJS=oci02.o
#
# 4. To regenerate shared library:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk generate_sharedlib
#
# 5. All OCCI demos
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk occidemos
#
# 6. A single OCCI demo:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk <demoname>
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk occidml
#   OR
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildocci EXE=demoname OBJS="demoname.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildocci EXE=occidml OBJS=occidml.o
#
# 7. A single OCCI demo with static libraries:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildocci_static EXE=demoname OBJS="demoname.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildocci_static EXE=occiblob OBJS=occiblob.o
#
# 8. All OCI Connection Pooling, Session Pooling and Statement Cache demos
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk cpdemos
#
# 9. A single OCI Connection Pooling demo:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk <demoname>
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk ocicp
#   OR
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp EXE=demoname OBJS="demoname.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp EXE=ocicp OBJS=ocicp.o
#
# 10. A single OCI Connection Pooling demo with static libraries:
#

```

```

#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp_static EXE=demoname OBJS="demoname.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp_static EXE=ocicp OBJS=ocicp.o
#
# 11. A single OCI Session Pooling demo:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk <demoname>
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk ocisp
#   OR
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp EXE=demoname OBJS="demoname.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp EXE=ocisp OBJS=ocisp.o
#
# 12. A single OCI Session Pooling demo with static libraries:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp_static EXE=demoname OBJS="demoname.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp_static EXE=ocisp OBJS=ocisp.o
#
# 13. A single OCI Statement Cache demo:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk <demoname>
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk ocisc
#   OR
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp EXE=demoname OBJS="demoname.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp EXE=ocisc OBJS=ocisc.o
#
# 14. A single OCI Statement Cache demo with static libraries:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp_static EXE=demoname OBJS="demoname.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk buildcp_static EXE=ocisc OBJS=ocisc.o
#
# Example for building demo DIRECT PATH API programs:
#
# 1. All DIRECT PATH API demos:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk demos_dp
#
# 2. A single DIRECT PATH API demo:
#
#   make -f demo_rdbms.mk build_dp EXE=demo OBJS="demo.o ..."
#   e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk build_dp EXE=cdemdp1p OBJS=cdemdp1p.o
#
# Example for building external procedures demo programs:
#
# 1. All external procedure demos:
#

```

```

# 2. A single external procedure demo whose 3GL routines do not use the
# "with context" argument:
#
# make -f demo_rdbms.mk extproc_no_context SHARED_LIBNAME=libname
#                                     OBJS="demo.o ..."
# e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk extproc_no_context SHARED_LIBNAME=epdemo.so
#                                     OBJS="epdemo1.o epdemo2.o"
#
# 3. A single external procedure demo where one or more 3GL routines use the
# "with context" argument:
#
# make -f demo_rdbms.mk extproc_with_context SHARED_LIBNAME=libname
#                                     OBJS="demo.o ..."
# e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk extproc_with_context SHARED_LIBNAME=epdemo.so
#                                     OBJS="epdemo1.o epdemo2.o"
# e.g. make -f demo_rdbms.mk extproc_with_context
#                                     SHARED_LIBNAME=extdemo2.so OBJS="extdemo2.o"
# e.g. or For EXTDEMO2 DEMO ONLY: make -f demo_rdbms.mk demos
#
# 4. To link C++ demos:
#
# make -f demo_rdbms.mk c++demos
#
#
# NOTE: 1. ORACLE_HOME must be either:
#         . set in the user's environment
#         . passed in on the command line
#         . defined in a modified version of this makefile
#
#     2. If the target platform support shared libraries (e.g. Solaris)
#         look in the platform specific documentation for information
#         about environment variables that need to be properly
#         defined (e.g. LD_LIBRARY_PATH in Solaris).
#
include $(ORACLE_HOME)/rdbms/lib/env_rdbms.mk

# flag for linking with non-deferred option (default is deferred mode)
NONDEFER=false

DEMO_DIR=$(ORACLE_HOME)/rdbms/demo
DEMO_MAKEFILE = $(DEMO_DIR)/demo_rdbms.mk

DEMOS = cdemo1 cdemo2 cdemo3 cdemo4 cdemo5 cdemo81 cdemo82 \
        cdemoobj cdemo1b cdemodsc cdemocor cdemo1b2 cdemo1bs \

```

```

cdemodr1 cdemodr2 cdemodr3 cdemodsa obndra \
cdemoext cdemothr cdemofil cdemofor \
oci02 oci03 oci04 oci05 oci06 oci07 oci08 oci09 oci10 \
oci11 oci12 oci13 oci14 oci15 oci16 oci17 oci18 oci19 oci20 \
oci21 oci22 oci23 oci24 oci25 readpipe cdemosyev \
ociaqdemo00 ociaqdemo01 ociaqdemo02 cdemouc nchdemo1

DEMOS_DP = cdempco cdempin cdempit cdempip cdempno cdemprow cdempss

C++DEMOS = cdemo6
OCCIDEMOS = occiblob occiclob occicoll occidesc occidml occipool occiproc \
            occistre
OCCIOTIDEMOS = occiobj occiinh occipobj
# OTT Markers Support
OCCIOTIDEMOSWITHMARKER = mdemo1
OTTUSR = scott
OTTPWD = tiger
CPDEMOS = ocicp ocicproxy ocisp ocisc

.SUFFIXES: .o .cob .for .c .pc .cc .cpp

demos: $(DEMOS) extdemo2 extdemo4 extdemo5

demos_dp: $(DEMOS_DP)

generate_sharedlib:
    $(SILENT)$(ECHO) "Building client shared library ..."
    $(SILENT)$(ECHO) "Calling script $$ORACLE_HOME/bin/genclntsh ..."
    $(GENCLNTSH)
    $(SILENT)$(ECHO) "The library is $$ORACLE_HOME/lib/libclntsh.so... DONE"

BUILD=build
$(DEMOS):
    $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) $(BUILD) EXE=$@ OBJS=$@.o

$(DEMOS_DP): cdempdp.c cdempdp0.h cdempdp.h
    $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) build_dp EXE=$@ OBJS=$@.o

c++demos: $(C++DEMOS)

$(C++DEMOS):
    $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) buildc++ EXE=$@ OBJS=$@.o

buildc++: $(OBJS)
    $(MAKECPLPLDEMO)

```

```

occidemos:      $(OCCIDEMOS) $(OCCIOTTDemos) $(OCCIOTTDemosWITHMARKER)

$(OCCIDEMOS):
    $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) buildocci EXE=$@ OBJS=$@.o

$(OCCIOTTDemos):
    $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) ott OTTFILE=$@
    $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) buildocci EXE=$@ OBJS="$@.o $@.o $@.o"

# OTT Markers Support
$(OCCIOTTDemosWITHMARKER):
    $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) ott_mrkr OTTFILE=$@
    $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) buildocci EXE=$@ OBJS="$@.o $@.o $@.o"

buildocci: $(OBJS)
    $(MAKEOCCISHAREDDemo)

buildocci_static: $(OBJS)
    $(MAKEOCCISTATICDemo)

ott:
    $(ORACLE_HOME)/bin/ott \
        userid=$(OTTUSR)/$(OTTPWD) \
        intype=$(OTTFILE).typ \
        outtype=$(OTTFILE)out.type \
        code=c++ \
        hfile=$(OTTFILE).h \
        cppfile=$(OTTFILE)o.cpp \
        attraccess=private

# OTT Markers Support
ott_mrkr:
    $(ORACLE_HOME)/bin/ott \
        userid=$(OTTUSR)/$(OTTPWD) \
        intype=$(OTTFILE).typ \
        outtype=$(OTTFILE)out.type \
        code=c++ \
        hfile=$(OTTFILE).h \
        cppfile=$(OTTFILE)o.cpp \
        use_marker=true

cpdemos:      $(CPDEMOs)
$(CPDEMOs):
    $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) buildcp EXE=$@ OBJS=$@.o

```

```

buildcp: $(OBJS)
        $(MAKECPSHAREDEMO)
buildcp_static: $(OBJS)
        $(MAKECPSTATICDEMO)

# Pro*C rules
# SQL Precompiler macros

pcl:
        $(PCC2C)

.pc.c:
        $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) PCCSRC=$* I_SYM=include= pcl

.pc.o:
        $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) PCCSRC=$* I_SYM=include= pcl
        $(PCCC2O)

.cc.o:
        $(CCC2O)

.cpp.o:
        $(CCC2O)

build: $(LIBCLINTSH) $(OBJS)
        $(BUILDDEXE)

extdemo2:
        $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) extproc_with_context SHARED_
LIBNAME=extdemo2.so OBJS="extdemo2.o"

extdemo4:
        $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) extproc_with_context SHARED_
LIBNAME=extdemo4.so OBJS="extdemo4.o"

extdemo5:
        $(MAKE) -f $(DEMO_MAKEFILE) extproc_with_context SHARED_
LIBNAME=extdemo5.so OBJS="extdemo5.o"

.c.o:
        $(C2O)

build_dp: $(LIBCLINTSH) $(OBJS) cdemodp.o
        $(DPTARGET)

```



```

build_static: $(OBJS)
              $(O2STATIC)

# extproc_no_context and extproc_with_context are the current names of these
# targets. The old names, extproc_nocallback and extproc_callback are
# preserved for backward compatibility.

extproc_no_context extproc_nocallback: $(OBJS)
              $(BUILDLIB_NO_CONTEXT)

extproc_with_context extproc_callback: $(OBJS) $(LIBCLNTSH)
              $(BUILDLIB_WITH_CONTEXT)

clean:
$(RM) -f $(DEMOS) $(CPDEMOS) extdemo2 extdemo4 extdemo5 *.o *.so
$(RM) -f $(OCCIDEMOS) $(OCCIOTDEMOS) occi*m.cpp occi*o.cpp occi*.typ
occiobj*.h occiinh*.h occipobj*.h
$(RM) -f $(OCCIOTDEMOSWITHMARKER) mdemo*m.cpp mdemo*o.cpp mdemo*.typ
mdemo*.h
$(RM) -f $(DEMOS_DP)

```

## occiblob.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to read and write aBLOB:

```

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

/**
 * The demo sample has starts from startDemo method. This method is called
 * by main. startDemo calls other methods, the supporting methods for
 * startDemo are,
 * insertRows - insert the rows into the table
 * deleteRows - delete the rows inserted
 * insertBlob - Inserts a blob and an empty_blob
 * populateBlob - populates a given blob
 * dumpBlob - prints the blob as an integer stream
 */

class demoBlob
{
private:
string username;

```

```

string password;
string url;

void insertRows (Connection *conn)
    throw (SQLException)
{
    Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement ("INSERT INTO print_media(product_
id,ad_id,ad_composite,ad_sourcetext) VALUES (6666,11001,'10001','SHE')");
    stmt->executeUpdate();
    stmt->setSQL ("INSERT INTO print_media(product_id,ad_id,ad_composite,ad_
sourcetext) VALUES (7777,11001,'1010','HEM')");
    stmt->executeUpdate();
    conn->commit();
    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);

}

void deleteRows (Connection *conn)
    throw (SQLException)
{
    Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement ("DELETE print_media WHERE product_
id = 6666 AND ad_id=11001");
    stmt->executeUpdate();
    stmt->setSQL ("DELETE print_media WHERE product_id = 7777 AND ad_id=11001");
    stmt->executeUpdate();
    conn->commit();
    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);

}

/**
 * populating the blob;
 */
void populateBlob (Blob &blob, int size)
    throw (SQLException)
{
    Stream *outstream = blob.getOutputStream (1,0);
    char *buffer = new char[size];

    memset (buffer, (char)10, size);
    outstream->writeBuffer (buffer, size);
    char *c = (char *)"";
    outstream->writeLastBuffer (c,0);
    delete (buffer);
    blob.closeStream (outstream);
}

```

```

    }

    /**
     * printing the blob data as integer stream
     */
    void dumpBlob (Blob &blob, int size)
        throw (SQLException)
    {
        Stream *instream = blob.getStream (1,0);
        char *buffer = new char[size];
        memset (buffer, NULL, size);

        instream->readBuffer (buffer, size);
        cout << "dumping blob: ";
        for (int i = 0; i < size; ++i)
            cout << (int) buffer[i];
        cout << endl;

        delete (buffer);
        blob.closeStream (instream);
    }

    /**
     * public methods
     */
    public:
    demoBlob ()
    {
        /**
         * default values of username & password
         */
        username = "SCOTT";
        password = "TIGER";
        url = "";
    }

    void setUsername (string u)
    {
        username = u;
    }

    void setPassword (string p)
    {

```

```

        password = p;
    }

    void setUrl (string u)
    {
        url = u;
    }

    void runSample ()
    throw (SQLException)
    {
        Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment (
            Environment::DEFAULT);
        try
        {
            Connection *conn = env->createConnection (username, password, url);
            Statement *stmt1;
            insertRows (conn);
            /**
             * Reading a populated blob & printing its property.
             */
            string sqlQuery = "SELECT  ad_composite FROM print_media WHERE product_
id=6666";
            Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement (sqlQuery);

            ResultSet *rset = stmt->executeQuery ();
            while (rset->next ())
            {
                Blob blob = rset->getBlob (1);
                cout << "Opening the blob in Read only mode" << endl;
                blob.open (OCCI_LOB_READONLY);
                int blobLength=blob.length ();
                cout << "Length of the blob is: " << blobLength << endl;
                dumpBlob (blob, blobLength);
                blob.close ();
            }
            stmt->closeResultSet (rset);

            /**
             * Reading a populated blob & printing its property.
             */
            stmt->setSQL ("SELECT ad_composite FROM print_media WHERE product_id =7777
FOR UPDATE");
            rset = stmt->executeQuery ();
            while (rset->next ())

```

```

        {
            Blob blob = rset->getBlob (1);
            cout << "Opening the blob in read write mode" << endl;
            blob.open (OCCI_LOB_READWRITE);
            cout << "Populating the blob" << endl;
            populateBlob (blob, 20);
            int blobLength=blob.length ();
            cout << "Length of the blob is: " << blobLength << endl;
            dumpBlob (blob, blobLength);
            blob.close ();
        }
        stmt->closeResultSet (rset);
        deleteRows (conn);
        conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
        env->terminateConnection (conn);
    }
    catch (SQLException ea)
    {
        cout << ea.what();
    }
    Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
}

}; //end of class demoBlob

int main (void)
{
    demoBlob *b = new demoBlob ();
    b->setUsername ("SCOTT");
    b->setPassword ("TIGER");
    b->runSample ();
}

```

## occiclob.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to read and write a CLOB:

```

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

/**

```

```

* The demo sample has starts from startDemo method. This method is called
* by main. startDemo calls other methods, the supporting methods for
* startDemo are,
* insertRows - inserts the rows into the tablel
* deleteRows - delete the rows inserted
* insertClob - Inserts a clob and an empty_clob
* populateClob - populates a given clob
* dumpClob - prints the clob as an integer stream
*/

class demoClob
{
private:
string username;
string password;
string url;

void insertRows (Connection *conn)
throw (SQLException)
{
Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement ("INSERT INTO print_media(product_
id,ad_id,ad_composite,ad_sourcetext) VALUES (3333,11001,'10001','SHE')");
stmt->executeUpdate();
stmt->setSQL ("INSERT INTO print_media(product_id,ad_id,ad_composite,ad_
sourcetext) VALUES (4444,11001,'1010','HEM')");
stmt->executeUpdate();
conn->commit();
conn->terminateStatement (stmt);

}

void deleteRows (Connection *conn)
throw (SQLException)
{
Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement ("DELETE print_media WHERE product_
id=3333 AND ad_id=11001");
stmt->executeUpdate();
stmt->setSQL("DELETE print_media WHERE product_id=4444 AND ad_id=11001");
stmt->executeUpdate();
conn->commit();
conn->terminateStatement (stmt);

}

/**

```

```
* populating the clob;
*/
void populateClob (Clob &clob, int size)
    throw (SQLException)
{
    Stream *outstream = clob.getOutputStream (1,0);
    char *buffer = new char[size];

    memset (buffer,'H', size);
    ostream->writeBuffer (buffer, size);
    char *c = (char *)"";
    ostream->writeLastBuffer (c,0);
    delete (buffer);
    clob.closeStream (outstream);
}

/**
 * printing the clob data as integer stream
 */
void dumpClob (Clob &clob, int size)
    throw (SQLException)
{
    Stream *instream = clob.getInputStream (1,0);
    char *buffer = new char[size];
    memset (buffer, NULL, size);

    instream->readBuffer (buffer, size);
    cout << "dumping clob: ";
    for (int i = 0; i < size; ++i)
        cout << (char) buffer[i];
    cout << endl;

    delete (buffer);
    clob.closeStream (instream);
}

/**
 * public methods
 */
public:
demoClob ()
{
    /**
```

```

        * default values of username & password
        */
        username = "SCOTT";
        password = "TIGER";
        url = "";
    }

void setUsername (string u)
{
    username = u;
}

void setPassword (string p)
{
    password = p;
}

void setUrl (string u)
{
    url = u;
}

void runSample ()
    throw (SQLException)
{
    Environment *env = Environment::createEnvironment (
        Environment::DEFAULT);
    try
    {
        Connection *conn = env->createConnection (username, password, url);
        Statement *stmt1;
        insertRows (conn);
        /**
         * Reading a populated clob & printing its property.
         */
        string sqlQuery = "SELECT  ad_sourcetext FROM print_media WHERE product_
id=3333";
        Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement (sqlQuery);

        ResultSet *rset = stmt->executeQuery ();
        while (rset->next ())
        {
            Clob clob = rset->getClob (1);
            cout << "Opening the clob in Read only mode" << endl;
            clob.open (OCCI_LOB_READONLY);
        }
    }
}

```



```

        int clobLength=clob.length ();
        cout << "Length of the clob is: " << clobLength << endl;
        dumpClob (clob, clobLength);
        clob.close ();
    }
    stmt->closeResultSet (rset);

    /**
     * Reading a populated clob & printing its property.
     */
    stmt->setSQL ("SELECT ad_sourcetext FROM print_media WHERE product_id
=4444 FOR UPDATE");
    rset = stmt->executeQuery ();
    while (rset->next ())
    {
        Clob clob = rset->getClob (1);
        cout << "Opening the clob in read write mode" << endl;
        clob.open (OCCI_LOB_READWRITE);
        cout << "Populating the clob" << endl;
        populateClob (clob, 20);
        int clobLength=clob.length ();
        cout << "Length of the clob is: " << clobLength << endl;
        dumpClob (clob, clobLength);
        clob.close ();
    }
    stmt->closeResultSet (rset);
    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
    deleteRows(conn);
    env->terminateConnection (conn);
}
catch (SQLException ea)
{
    cout << ea.what();
}
Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
}

}; //end of class demoClob

int main (void)
{
    demoClob *b = new demoClob ();
    b->setUsername ("SCOTT");
    b->setPassword ("TIGER");
    b->runSample ();
}

```

```
}

```

## occicoll.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to perform simple insert, delete, and update operations on a table column of type Nested Table:

```
/**
 * occicoll - To exhibit simple insert, delete & update operations"
 *          " on table having a Nested Table column
 *
 * *Description
 *   Create a program which has insert,delete and update on a
 *   table having a Nested table column.
 *   Perform all these operations using OCCI interface.
 */

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

typedef vector<string> journal;

class occicoll
{
private:

    Environment *env;
    Connection *conn;
    Statement *stmt;
    string tableName;
    string typeName;

public:

    occicoll (string user, string passwd, string db)
    {
        env = Environment::createEnvironment (Environment::OBJECT);
        conn = env->createConnection (user, passwd, db);
        initRows();
    }

```

```
~occicoll ()
{
    env->terminateConnection (conn);
    Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
}

void setTableName (string s)
{
    tableName = s;
}

void initRows ()
{
    try{
        Statement *st1 = conn->createStatement ("DELETE FROM journal_tab");
        st1->executeUpdate ();
        st1->setSQL("INSERT INTO journal_tab (jid, jname) VALUES (22, journal
('NATION', 'TIMES'))");
        st1->executeUpdate ();
        st1->setSQL("INSERT INTO journal_tab (jid, jname) VALUES (33, journal
('CRICKET', 'ALIVE'))");
        st1->executeUpdate ();
        conn->commit();
        conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<ex.what();
    }
}
/**
 * Insertion of a row
 */
void insertRow ()
{
    int c1 = 11;
    journal c2;

    c2.push_back ("LIFE");
    c2.push_back ("TODAY");
    c2.push_back ("INVESTOR");

    cout << "Inserting row with jid = " << 11 <<
        " and journal_tab (LIFE, TODAY, INVESTOR )" << endl;
    try{
        stmt = conn->createStatement (
```

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        "INSERT INTO journal_tab (jid, jname) VALUES (:x, :y)");
    stmt->setInt (1, c1);
    setVector (stmt, 2, c2, "JOURNAL");
    stmt->executeUpdate ();
} catch(SQLException ex)
{
    cout<<"Exception thrown for insertRow"<<endl;
    cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
    cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
}
cout << "Insertion - Successful" << endl;
conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

// Displaying all the rows of the table
void displayAllRows ()
{
    cout << "Displaying all the rows of the table" << endl;
    stmt = conn->createStatement (
        "SELECT jid, jname FROM journal_tab");

    journal c2;

    ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery();
    try{
        while (rs->next())
        {
            cout << "jid: " << rs->getInt(1) << endl;
            cout << "jname: ";
            getVector (rs, 2, c2);
            for (int i = 0; i < c2.size(); ++i)
                cout << c2[i] << " ";
            cout << endl;
        }
    } catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for displayRow"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }
    stmt->closeResultSet (rs);
    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
} // End of displayAllRows()

```

```
// Deleting a row in a nested table
void deleteRow (int c1, string str)
{
    cout << "Deleting a row in a nested table of strings" << endl;
    stmt = conn->createStatement (
        "SELECT jname FROM journal_tab WHERE jid = :x");
    journal c2;
    stmt->setInt (1, c1);

    ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery();
    try{
        if (rs->next())
        {
            getVector (rs, 1, c2);
            c2.erase (find (c2.begin(), c2.end(), str));
        }
        stmt->setSQL ("UPDATE journal_tab SET jname = :x WHERE jid = :y");
        stmt->setInt (2, c1);
        setVector (stmt, 1, c2, "JOURNAL");
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for delete row"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: " << ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    cout << "Deletion - Successful" << endl;
    conn->commit();
    stmt->closeResultSet (rs);
    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
} // End of deleteRow (int, string)

// Updating a row of the nested table of strings
void updateRow (int c1, string str)
{
    cout << "Updating a row of the nested table of strings" << endl;
    stmt = conn->createStatement (
        "SELECT jname FROM journal_tab WHERE jid = :x");

    journal c2;

    stmt->setInt (1, c1);
    ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery();
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        try{
        if (rs->next())
        {
            getVector (rs, 1, c2);
            c2[0] = str;
        }
        stmt->setSQL ("UPDATE journal_tab SET jname = :x WHERE jid = :y");
        stmt->setInt (2, c1);
        setVector (stmt, 1, c2, "JOURNAL");
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
        }catch(SQLException ex)
        {
            cout<<"Exception thrown for updateRow"<<endl;
            cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
            cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
        }

        cout << "Updation - Successful" << endl;
        conn->commit();
        stmt->closeResultSet (rs);
        conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
    } // End of UpdateRow (int, string)

}; //end of class occicoll

int main (void)
{
    string user = "SCOTT";
    string passwd = "TIGER";
    string db = "";

    try
    {
        cout << "occicoll - Exhibiting simple insert, delete & update operations"
            " on table having a Nested Table column" << endl;
        occicoll *demo = new occicoll (user, passwd, db);

        cout << "Displaying all rows before the operations" << endl;
        demo->displayAllRows ();

        demo->insertRow ();

        demo->deleteRow (11, "TODAY");

        demo->updateRow (33, "New_String");
    }
}

```

```

        cout << "Displaying all rows after all the operations" << endl;
        demo->displayAllRows ();

        delete (demo);
        cout << "occicoll - done" << endl;
    }catch (SQLException ea)
    {
        cerr << "Error running the demo: " << ea.getMessage () << endl;
    }
}

```

## occidesc.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to obtain metadata about a table, procedure, and object:

```

/**
 * occidesc - Describing the various objects of the database.
 *
 * DESCRIPTION :
 *   This program describes the objects of the database, like, table, object
 *   and procedure.
 */

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

class occidesc
{
private:

    Environment *env;
    Connection *conn;
public :
    /**
     * Constructor for the occidesc demo program.
     */
    occidesc (string user, string passwd, string db) throw (SQLException)
    {
        env = Environment::createEnvironment (Environment::OBJECT);
    }
}

```

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    conn = env->createConnection (user, passwd, db);
} // end of constructor occidesc (string, string, string )

/**
 * Destructor for the occidesc demo program.
 */
~occidesc () throw (SQLException)
{
    env->terminateConnection (conn);
    Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
} // end of ~occidesc ()

// Describing a subtype
void describe_type()
{
    cout << "Describing the object - PERSON_OBJ " << endl;
    MetaData metaData = conn->getMetaData ((char *)"PERSON_OBJ");
    int mdTyp = metaData.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_PTYPE);
    if (mdTyp == MetaData::PTYPE_TYPE)
    {
        cout << "PERSON_OBJ is a type" << endl;
    }
    int typcode = metaData.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_TYPECODE);
    if (typcode == OCCI_TYPECODE_OBJECT)
        cout << "PERSON_OBJ is an object type" << endl;
    else
        cout << "PERSON_OBJ is not an object type" << endl;
    int numtypeattrs = metaData.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_NUM_TYPE_ATTRS);
    cout << "Object has " << numtypeattrs << " attributes" << endl;
    try
    {
        cout << "Object id: " << metaData.getUInt (MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_ID)
            << endl;
    }
    catch (SQLException ex)
    {
        cout << ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }
    cout << "Object Name: " <<
        metaData.getString (MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_NAME) << endl;
    cout << "Schema Name: " <<
        (metaData.getString(MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_SCHEMA)) << endl;
    cout << "Attribute version: " <<
        (metaData.getString(MetaData::ATTR_VERSION)) << endl;
    if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_IS_INCOMPLETE_TYPE))

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    cout << "Incomplete type" << endl;
else
    cout << "Not Incomplete type" << endl;
if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_IS_SYSTEM_TYPE))
    cout << "System type" << endl;
else
    cout << "Not System type" << endl;
if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_IS_PREDEFINED_TYPE))
    cout << "Predefined Type" << endl;
else
    cout << "Not Predefined Type" << endl;
if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_IS_TRANSIENT_TYPE))
    cout << "Transient Type" << endl;
else
    cout << "Not Transient Type" << endl;
if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_IS_SYSTEM_GENERATED_TYPE))
    cout << "System-generated type" << endl;
else
    cout << "Not System-generated type" << endl;
if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_HAS_NESTED_TABLE))
    cout << "Has nested table" << endl;
else
    cout << "Does not have nested table" << endl;
if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_HAS_LOB))
    cout << "Has LOB" << endl;
else
    cout << "Does not have LOB" << endl;
if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_HAS_FILE))
    cout << "Has BFILE" << endl;
else
    cout << "Does not have BFILE" << endl;
if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_IS_INVOKER_RIGHTS))
    cout << "Object is Invoker rights" << endl;
else
    cout << "Object is Not Invoker rights" << endl;
RefAny ref = metaData.getRef (MetaData::ATTR_REF_TDO);
MetaData mdl = conn->getMetaData (ref);
vector<MetaData> v1 =
    mdl.getVector (MetaData::ATTR_LIST_TYPE_ATTRS);

for (int i = 0; i < v1.size (); ++i)
{
    MetaData md2 = (MetaData)v1[i];
    cout << "Column Name :" <<
        (md2.getString(MetaData::ATTR_NAME)) << endl;
}

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        cout << " Data Type :" <<
            (printType (md2.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_DATA_TYPE))) << endl;
        cout << " Size :" << md2.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_DATA_SIZE) << endl;
        cout << " Precision :" << md2.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_PRECISION) << endl;
        cout << " Scale :" << md2.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_SCALE) << endl << endl;
    }

    cout << "describe_type - done" << endl;
} // end of describe_type()

// Describing a table
void describe_table ()
{
    cout << "Describing the table - AUTHOR_TAB" << endl;
    vector<MetaData> v1;
    MetaData metaData = conn->getMetaData("AUTHOR_TAB");
    cout << "Object name:" <<
        (metaData.getString(MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_NAME)) << endl;
    cout << "Schema:" <<
        (metaData.getString(MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_SCHEMA)) << endl;
    if (metaData.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_PTYPE) ==
        MetaData::PTYPE_TABLE)
    {
        cout << "AUTHOR_TAB is a table" << endl;
    }
    else
        cout << "AUTHOR_TAB is not a table" << endl;
    if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_PARTITIONED))
        cout << "Table is partitioned" << endl;
    else
        cout << "Table is not partitioned" << endl;
    if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_IS_TEMPORARY))
        cout << "Table is temporary" << endl;
    else
        cout << "Table is not temporary" << endl;
    if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_IS_TYPED))
        cout << "Table is typed" << endl;
    else
        cout << "Table is not typed" << endl;
    if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_CLUSTERED))
        cout << "Table is clustered" << endl;
    else
        cout << "Table is not clustered" << endl;
    if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_INDEX_ONLY))
        cout << "Table is Index-only" << endl;
}

```

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else
    cout << "Table is not Index-only" << endl;
cout << "Duration:";
switch (metaData.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_DURATION))
{
    case MetaData::DURATION_SESSION : cout << "Connection" << endl;
                                     break;
    case MetaData::DURATION_TRANS   : cout << "Transaction" << endl;
                                     break;
    case MetaData::DURATION_NULL    : cout << "Table not temporary" << endl;
                                     break;
}
try
{
    cout << "Data Block Address:" <<
        metaData.getUInt (MetaData::ATTR_RDBA) << endl;
}
catch (SQLException ex)
{
    cout << ex.getMessage() << endl;
}
try
{
    cout << "Tablespace:" <<
        metaData.getInt (MetaData::ATTR_TABLESPACE) << endl;
}
catch (SQLException ex)
{
    cout << ex.getMessage() << endl;
}
try
{
    cout << "Object Id:" <<
        metaData.getUInt(MetaData::ATTR_OBJID) << endl;
}
catch (SQLException ex)
{
    cout << ex.getMessage() << endl;
}

int columnCount = metaData.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_NUM_COLS);
cout << "Number of Columns : " << columnCount << endl;

v1 = metaData.getVector(MetaData::ATTR_LIST_COLUMNS);
for(int i=0; i < v1.size(); i++)

```

```

    {
        Metadata md = v1[i];
        cout << " Column Name :" <<
            (md.getString(Metadata::ATTR_NAME)) << endl;
        cout << " Data Type :" <<
            (printType (md.getInt(Metadata::ATTR_DATA_TYPE))) << endl;
        cout << " Size :" << md.getInt(Metadata::ATTR_DATA_SIZE) << endl;
        cout << " Precision :" << md.getInt(Metadata::ATTR_PRECISION) << endl;
        cout << " Scale :" << md.getInt(Metadata::ATTR_SCALE) << endl;
        bool isnull = md.getBoolean(Metadata::ATTR_IS_NULL);
        if (isnull)
            cout << " Allows null" << endl;
        else
            cout << " Does not allow null" << endl;
    }
    cout << "describe_table - done" << endl;
} // end of describe_table ()

// Describing a procedure
void describe_proc ()
{
    cout << "Describing the procedure - DEMO_PROC" << endl;
    Metadata metaData = conn->getMetadata("DEMO_PROC");
    vector<Metadata> v1 =
        metaData.getVector ( Metadata::ATTR_LIST_ARGUMENTS );
    cout << "The number of arguments are:" << v1.size() << endl;
    cout << "Object Name :" <<
        (metaData.getString(Metadata::ATTR_OBJ_NAME)) << endl;
    cout << "Schema Name :" <<
        (metaData.getString(Metadata::ATTR_OBJ_SCHEMA)) << endl;
    if (metaData.getInt(Metadata::ATTR_PTYPE) == Metadata::
        PTYPE_PROC)
    {
        cout << "DEMO_PROC is a procedure" << endl;
    }
    else
    {
        if (metaData.getInt(Metadata::ATTR_PTYPE) == Metadata::
            PTYPE_FUNC)
        {
            cout << "DEMO_PROC is a function" << endl;
        }
    }
}
try
{

```

```
cout << "Object Id:" <<
    metaData.getUInt(MetaData::ATTR_OBJ_ID) << endl;
}
catch (SQLException ex)
{
    cout << ex.getMessage() << endl;
}
try
{
    cout << "Name :" <<
        (metaData.getString(MetaData::ATTR_NAME)) << endl;
}
catch (SQLException ex)
{
    cout << ex.getMessage() << endl;
}

if (metaData.getBoolean(MetaData::ATTR_IS_INVOKER_RIGHTS))
    cout << "It is Invoker-rights" << endl;
else
    cout << "It is not Invoker-rights" << endl;
cout << "Overload Id:" <<
    metaData.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_OVERLOAD_ID) << endl;

for(int i=0; i < vl.size(); i++)
{
    MetaData md = vl[i];
    cout << "Column Name :" <<
        (md.getString(MetaData::ATTR_NAME)) << endl;
    cout << "DataType :" <<
        (printType (md.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_DATA_TYPE)))
        << endl;
    cout << "Argument Mode:";
    int mode = md.getInt (MetaData::ATTR_IOMODE);
    if (mode == 0)
        cout << "IN" << endl;
    if (mode == 1)
        cout << "OUT" << endl;
    if (mode == 2)
        cout << "IN/OUT" << endl;
    cout << "Size :" <<
        md.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_DATA_SIZE) << endl;
    cout << "Precision :" <<
        md.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_PRECISION) << endl;
    cout << "Scale :" <<
```

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        md.getInt(MetaData::ATTR_SCALE) << endl;
int isNull = md.getInt ( MetaData::ATTR_IS_NULL);
if (isNull != 0)
    cout << "Allows null," << endl;
else
    cout << "Does not allow null," << endl;

int hasDef = md.getInt ( MetaData::ATTR_HAS_DEFAULT);
if (hasDef != 0)
    cout << "Has Default" << endl;
else
    cout << "Does not have Default" << endl;
}
cout << "test1 - done" << endl;
}

// Method which prints the data type
string printType (int type)
{
    switch (type)
    {
        case OCCI_SQLT_CHR : return "VARCHAR2";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_NUM : return "NUMBER";
                          break;
        case OCCIINT : return "INTEGER";
                          break;
        case OCCIFLOAT : return "FLOAT";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_STR : return "STRING";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_VNU : return "VARNUM";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_LNG : return "LONG";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_VCS : return "VARCHAR";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_RID : return "ROWID";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_DAT : return "DATE";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_VBI : return "VARRAW";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_BIN : return "RAW";
                          break;
    }
}

```

```
        case OCCI_SQLT_LBI : return "LONG RAW";
                          break;
        case OCCIUNSIGNED_INT : return "UNSIGNED INT";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_LVC : return "LONG VARCHAR";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_LVB : return "LONG VARRAW";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_AFC : return "CHAR";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_AVC : return "CHARZ";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_RDD : return "ROWID";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_NTY : return "NAMED DATA TYPE";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_REF : return "REF";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_CLOB: return "CLOB";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_BLOB: return "BLOB";
                          break;
        case OCCI_SQLT_FILE: return "BFILE";
                          break;
    }
} // End of printType (int)

}; // end of class occidesc

int main (void)
{
    string user = "SCOTT";
    string passwd = "TIGER";
    string db = "";

    cout << "occidesc - Describing the various objects of the database" << endl;

    occidesc *demo = new occidesc (user, passwd, db);
    demo->describe_table();
    demo->describe_type();
    demo->describe_proc();
    delete demo;
} // end of main ()
```

## occidml.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to perform insert, select, update, and delete operations of a table row by using OCCI:

```

/**
 * occidml - To exhibit the insertion, Selection, updating and deletion of
 *           a row through OCCI.
 *
 * Description
 * Create a program which has insert, select, update & delete as operations.
 * Perform all these operations using OCCI interface.
 */

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

class occidml
{
private:

    Environment *env;
    Connection *conn;
    Statement *stmt;
public:

    occidml (string user, string passwd, string db)
    {
        env = Environment::createEnvironment (Environment::DEFAULT);
        conn = env->createConnection (user, passwd, db);
    }

    ~occidml ()
    {
        env->terminateConnection (conn);
        Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
    }

    /**
     * Insertion of a row with dynamic binding, PreparedStatement functionality.
     */

```



```

void insertBind (int c1, string c2)
{
    string sqlStmt = "INSERT INTO author_tab VALUES (:x, :y)";
    stmt=conn->createStatement (sqlStmt);
    try{
        stmt->setInt (1, c1);
        stmt->setString (2, c2);
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
        cout << "insert - Success" << endl;
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for insertBind"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: " << ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

/**
 * Inserting a row into the table.
 */
void insertRow ()
{
    string sqlStmt = "INSERT INTO author_tab VALUES (111, 'ASHOK')";
    stmt = conn->createStatement (sqlStmt);
    try{
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
        cout << "insert - Success" << endl;
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for insertRow"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: " << ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

/**
 * updating a row
 */
void updateRow (int c1, string c2)
{
    string sqlStmt =

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        "UPDATE author_tab SET author_name = :x WHERE author_id = :y";
    stmt = conn->createStatement (sqlStmt);
    try{
        stmt->setString (1, c2);
        stmt->setInt (2, c1);
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
        cout << "update - Success" << endl;
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for updateRow"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

/**
 * deletion of a row
 */
void deleteRow (int c1, string c2)
{
    string sqlStmt =
        "DELETE FROM author_tab WHERE author_id= :x AND author_name = :y";
    stmt = conn->createStatement (sqlStmt);
    try{
        stmt->setInt (1, c1);
        stmt->setString (2, c2);
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
        cout << "delete - Success" << endl;
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for deleteRow"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

/**
 * displaying all the rows in the table
 */
void displayAllRows ()

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```
{
    string sqlStmt = "SELECT author_id, author_name FROM author_tab";
    stmt = conn->createStatement (sqlStmt);
    ResultSet *rset = stmt->executeQuery ();
    try{
        while (rset->next ())
        {
            cout << "author_id: " << rset->getInt (1) << "   author_name: "
                << rset->getString (2) << endl;
        }
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for displayAllRows"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<<  ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    stmt->closeResultSet (rset);
    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

}; // end of class  occidml

int main (void)
{
    string user = "SCOTT";
    string passwd = "TIGER";
    string db = "";

    cout << "occidml - Exhibiting simple insert, delete & update operations"
        << endl;
    occidml *demo = new occidml (user, passwd, db);

    cout << "Displaying all records before any operation" << endl;
    demo->displayAllRows ();

    cout << "Inserting a record into the table author_tab "
        << endl;
    demo->insertRow ();

    cout << "Displaying the records after insert " << endl;
    demo->displayAllRows ();

    cout << "Inserting a records into the table author_tab using dynamic bind"
```

```

        << endl;
demo->insertBind (222, "ANAND");

cout << "Displaying the records after insert using dynamic bind" << endl;
demo->displayAllRows ();

cout << "Deleting a row with author_id as 222 from author_tab table" << endl;
demo->deleteRow (222, "ANAND");

cout << "updating a row with author_id as 444 from author_tab table" << endl;
demo->updateRow (444, "ADAM");

cout << "displaying all rows after all the operations" << endl;
demo->displayAllRows ();

delete (demo);
cout << "occidml - done" << endl;
}

```

## occiinh.typ

```

CASE=LOWER
MAPFILE=occiinhm.cpp
TYPE FOREIGN_STUDENT as foreign_student

```

## occiinh.cpp

The following code example demonstrates object inheritance by using insert, select, update, and delete operations on a table row of subtype table:

```

/**
 * occiinh.cpp - To exhibit the insertion, selection, updating and deletion
 *               of a row of a table of derived object.
 *
 * Description
 * Create a program which has insert, select, update & delete as operations
 * of a object. Perform all these operations using OCCI interface.
 * Hierarchy
 * person_typ <---- student <----- parttime_stud <----- foreign_student
 */

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>

```

```

using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

#include "occiinhm.h"

/* Add on your methods in this class*/
class foreign_student_obj : public foreign_student
{
    /* New methods can be added here */
};

class occiinh
{
private:

    Environment *env;
    Connection *con;

    // This method will return the Ref
    RefAny getRefObj(string sqlString)
    {
        Statement *stmt = con->createStatement (sqlString);
        ResultSet *rs;
        try
        {
            rs = stmt->executeQuery ();
            if ( rs->next() )
            {
                RefAny ref1 = rs->getRef (1);
                stmt->closeResultSet (rs);
                con->terminateStatement (stmt);
                return ref1;
            }
        }
        catch(SQLException ex)
        {
            cout << "Error in fetching ref" << endl;
        }
        stmt->closeResultSet (rs);
        con->terminateStatement (stmt);
    }

public:

```

```

occiinh (string user, string passwd, string db)
    throw (SQLException)
{
    env = Environment::createEnvironment (Environment::OBJECT);
    occiinhm(env);
    con = env->createConnection (user, passwd, db);
} // end of constructor occiinh (string, string, string)

~occiinh ()
    throw (SQLException)
{
    env->terminateConnection (con);
    Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
} // end of destructor

/**
 * Insertion of a row
 */
void insertRow ()
    throw (SQLException)
{
    cout << "Inserting a record (joe)" << endl;
    string sqlStmt =
        "INSERT INTO foreign_student_tab VALUES(:a)";
    Statement *stmt = con->createStatement (sqlStmt);
    string fs_name = "joe";
    Number fs_ssn (4);
    Date fs_dob(env, 2000, 5, 11, 16, 05, 0);
    Number fs_stud_id (400);
    Ref< person_typ > fs_teammate = getRefObj(
        "SELECT REF(a) FROM person_tab a where name='john'");
    Number fs_course_id(4000);
    Ref< student > fs_partner = getRefObj(
        "SELECT REF(a) FROM student_tab a");
    string fs_country = "india";
    Ref< parttime_stud > fs_leader = getRefObj(
        "SELECT REF(a) FROM parttime_stud_tab a");
    foreign_student_obj fsobj;
    foreign_student_obj *fs_obj=&fsobj;
    fs_obj->setname(fs_name);
    fs_obj->setssn(fs_ssn);
    fs_obj->setdob(fs_dob);
    fs_obj->setstud_id(fs_stud_id);
    fs_obj->setteammate(fs_teammate);
    fs_obj->setcourse_id(fs_course_id);
}

```

```

        fs_obj->setpartner(fs_partner);
        fs_obj->setcountry(fs_country);
        fs_obj->setleader(fs_leader);
        stmt->setObject(1, fs_obj);
        stmt->executeUpdate();

        con->terminateStatement (stmt);
        cout << "Insertion Successful" << endl;
    }// end of insertRow ();

    /**
     * updating a row
     */
    void updateRow ()
        throw (SQLException)
    {
        cout << "Upadating record (Changing name,teammate and course_id)" << endl;
        string sqlStmt =
            "UPDATE foreign_student_tab SET name=:x, teammate=:y, course_id=:z";
        Statement *stmt = con->createStatement (sqlStmt);
        string fs_name = "jeffree";
        Ref< person_typ > fs_teammate = getRefObj(
            "SELECT REF(a) FROM person_tab a where name='jill'");
        Number fs_course_id(5000);
        stmt->setString(1, fs_name);
        stmt->setRef(2,fs_teammate);
        stmt->setInt(3, fs_course_id);
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
        con->commit();
        con->terminateStatement (stmt);
        cout << "Updation Successful" << endl;
    }// end of updateRow (int, string);

    /**
     * deletion of a row
     */
    void deleteRow ()
        throw (SQLException)
    {
        cout << "Deletion of jeffree record " << endl;
        string sqlStmt = "DELETE FROM foreign_student_tab where name=:x";
        Statement *stmt = con->createStatement (sqlStmt);
        string fs_name = "jeffree";
    }

```

```

        stmt->setString(1,fs_name);
        stmt->executeUpdate();
        con->commit();
        con->terminateStatement (stmt);
        cout << "Deletion Successful" << endl;
    }// end of deleteRow (int, string);

/**
 * displaying all the rows in the table
 */
void displayAllRows ()
    throw (SQLException)
{
    int count=0;
    string sqlStmt = "SELECT REF(a) FROM foreign_student_tab a";
    Statement *stmt = con->createStatement (sqlStmt);
    ResultSet *resultSet = stmt->executeQuery ();

    while (resultSet->next ())
    {
        count++;
        RefAny fs_refany = resultSet->getRef(1);
        Ref <foreign_student_obj> fs_ref(fs_refany);
        fs_ref.setPrefetch(4);
        string fmt = "DD-MON-YYYY";
        string nlsParam = "NLS_DATE_LANGUAGE = American";
        Date fs_dob = fs_ref->getdob();
        string datel = fs_dob.toText (fmt, nlsParam);
        cout << "Foreign Student Information" << endl;
        cout << "Name      : " << fs_ref->getname();
        cout << "  SSN      : " << (int)fs_ref->getssn();
        cout << "  DOB      : " << datel << endl;
        cout << "Stud id   : " << (int)fs_ref->getstud_id() ;
        cout << " Course id : " << (int)fs_ref->getcourse_id();
        cout << " Country   : " << fs_ref->getcountry() <<endl;
        Ref <person_typ> fs_teammate = (Ref <person_typ>)
            fs_ref->getteammate();
        cout << "Teammate's Information " << endl;
        cout << "Name      : " << fs_teammate->getname();
        cout << "  SSN      : " << (int)fs_teammate->getssn();
        fs_dob = fs_teammate->getdob();
        datel = fs_dob.toText(fmt, nlsParam);
        cout << "  DOB      : " << datel << endl << endl;
        /* Leader */
        Ref< parttime_stud > fs_leader = (Ref < parttime_stud >)

```



```

        fs_ref->getleader();
    /* Leader's Partner */
    Ref < student > fs_partner = (Ref <student> )
        fs_leader->getpartner();
    /* Leader's Partner's teammate */
    fs_teammate = (Ref <person_typ>) fs_partner->getteammate();

    cout << "Leader Information " << endl;
    cout << "Name      : " << fs_leader->getname();
    cout << "  SSN      : " << (int)fs_leader->getssn();
    fs_dob = fs_leader->getdob();
    datel = fs_dob.toText(fmt, nlsParam);
    cout << "  DOB      : " << datel << endl;
    cout << "Stud id   : " << (int)fs_leader->getstud_id();
    cout << "  Course id : " << (int)fs_leader->getcourse_id() << endl;

    cout << "Leader's Partner's Information " << endl;
    cout << "Name      : " << fs_partner->getname() ;
    cout << "  SSN      : " << (int)fs_partner->getssn();
    fs_dob = fs_partner->getdob();
    datel = fs_dob.toText(fmt, nlsParam);
    cout << "  DOB      : " << datel ;
    cout << "  Stud id   : " << (int)fs_partner->getstud_id() << endl;

    cout << "Leader's Partner's Teammate's Information " << endl;
    cout << "Name      : " << fs_teammate->getname();
    cout << "  SSN      : " << (int)fs_teammate->getssn();
    fs_dob = fs_teammate->getdob();
    datel = fs_dob.toText(fmt, nlsParam);
    cout << "  DOB      : " << datel << endl << endl;

    }//end of while (resultSet->next ());
    if (count <=0)
        cout << "No record found " << endl;
    stmt->closeResultSet (resultSet);
    con->terminateStatement (stmt);
    }// end of updateRow (string);

}; // end of class occiinh

int main (void)
{
    string user = "scott";

```

```

string passwd = "tiger";
string db = "";

try
{
    cout << "occiinh - Exhibiting simple insert, delete & update operations"
         << " on Oracle objects" << endl;
    occiinh *demo = new occiinh (user, passwd, db);

    cout << "displaying all rows before operations" << endl;
    demo->displayAllRows ();

    demo->insertRow ();
    cout << "displaying all rows after insertions" << endl;
    demo->displayAllRows ();

    demo->updateRow ();
    cout << "displaying all rows after updations" << endl;
    demo->displayAllRows ();

    demo->deleteRow ();
    cout << "displaying all rows after deletions" << endl;
    demo->displayAllRows ();

    delete (demo);
    cout << "occiinh - done" << endl;
} catch (SQLException ea)
{
    cerr << "Error running the demo: " << ea.getMessage () << endl;
}
} // end of int main (void);

```

### occiobj.typ

```

CASE=SAME
MAPFILE=occiobjm.cpp
TYPE address as address

```

## occiobj.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to perform insert, select, update, and delete operations on a table row containing an object as one of its columns:

```

/**
 * occiobj.cpp - To exhibit the insertion, selection, updating and deletion
 *              of a row containing object as one of the column.
 *
 * Description
 * Create a program which has insert, select, update & delete as operations
 * of a object. Perform all these operations using OCCI interface.
 */

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

#include "occiobjm.h"

class occiobj
{
private:

    Environment *env;
    Connection *con;
    Statement *stmt;
public:

    occiobj (string user, string passwd, string db)
    {
        env = Environment::createEnvironment (Environment::OBJECT);
        occiobjm (env);
        con = env->createConnection (user, passwd, db);
    }

    ~occiobj ()
    {
        env->terminateConnection (con);
        Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
    }

/**
 * Insertion of a row

```

```

*/
void insertRow (int c1, int a1, string a2)
{
    cout << "Inserting record - Publisher id :" << c1 <<
        " , Publisher address : " << a1 << " , " << a2 <<endl;
    string sqlStmt = "INSERT INTO publisher_tab VALUES (:x, :y)";
    try{
        stmt = con->createStatement (sqlStmt);
        stmt->setInt (1, c1);
        address *o = new address ();
        o->setStreet_no (Number ( a1));
        o->setCity (a2);
        stmt->setObject (2, o);
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
        cout << "Insert - Success" << endl;
        delete (o);
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for insertRow"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    con->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

/**
 * updating a row
 */
void updateRow (int c1, int a1, string a2)
{
    cout << "Upadating record with publisher id :"<< c1 << endl;
    string sqlStmt =
        "UPDATE publisher_tab SET publisher_add= :x WHERE publisher_id = :y";
    try{
        stmt = con->createStatement (sqlStmt);
        address *o = new address ();
        o->setStreet_no (Number ( a1));
        o->setCity (a2);
        stmt->setObject (1, o);
        stmt->setInt (2, c1);
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
        cout << "Update - Success" << endl;
        delete (o);
    }
}

```

```
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for updateRow"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }
    con->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

/**
 * deletion of a row
 */
void deleteRow (int c1, int a1, string a2)
{
    cout << "Deletion of record where publisher id :" << c1 <<endl;
    string sqlStmt =
        "DELETE FROM publisher_tab WHERE publisher_id= :x AND publisher_add = :y";
    try{
        stmt = con->createStatement (sqlStmt);
        stmt->setInt (1, c1);

        address *o = new address ();
        o->setStreet_no (Number ( a1));
        o->setCity (a2);
        stmt->setObject (2, o);
        stmt->executeUpdate ();
        cout << "Delete - Success" << endl;
        delete (o);
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for deleteRow"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    con->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

/**
 * displaying all the rows in the table
 */
void displayAllRows ()
{
    string sqlStmt = "SELECT publisher_id, publisher_add FROM publisher_tab";
```

```

    try{
        stmt = con->createStatement (sqlStmt);
        ResultSet *rset = stmt->executeQuery ();

        while (rset->next ())
        {
            cout << "publisher id: " << rset->getInt (1)
                << " publisher address: address (" ;
            address *o = (address *)rset->getObject (2);
            cout << (int)o->getStreet_no () << ", " << o->getCity () << ")" << endl;
        }

        stmt->closeResultSet (rset);
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for displayAllRows"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: " << ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    con->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

}; //end of class occiobj;

int main (void)
{
    string user = "SCOTT";
    string passwd = "TIGER";
    string db = "";

    try
    {
        cout << "occiobj - Exhibiting simple insert, delete & update operations"
            " on Oracle objects" << endl;
        occiobj *demo = new occiobj (user, passwd, db);

        cout << "displaying all rows before operations" << endl;
        demo->displayAllRows ();

        demo->insertRow (12, 122, "MIKE");

        demo->deleteRow (11, 121, "ANNA");
    }
}

```

```

demo->updateRow (23, 123, "KNUTH");

cout << "displaying all rows after all operations" << endl;
demo->displayAllRows ();

delete (demo);
cout << "occiobj - done" << endl;
}catch (SQLException ea)
{
    cerr << "Error running the demo: " << ea.getMessage () << endl;
}
}

```

## occiobj.typ

```

CASE=SAME
MAPFILE=occiobjm.cpp
TYPE address as address

```

## occiobj.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to perform insert, select, and update operations on persistent objects, as well as how to pin, unpin, mark for deletion, and flush a persistent object:

```

/**
 * occiobj.cpp - Manipulation (Insertion, selection & updating) of
 *               persistant objects, along with pinning, unpinning, marking
 *               for deletion & flushing.
 *
 * Description
 * Create a program which has insert, select, update & delete as operations
 * of a persistant object. Along with the these the operations on Ref. are
 * pinning, unpinning, marked for deletion & flushing.
 */

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

#include "occiobjm.h"

```

```

class address_obj : public address
{
    public:
        address_obj()
        {
        }

        address_obj(Number sno,string cty)
        {
            setStreet_no(sno);
            setCity(cty);
        }
};

class occipobj
{
    private:

        Environment *env;
        Connection *conn;
        Statement *stmt;
        string tableName;
        string typeName;

    public:

        occipobj (string user, string passwd, string db)
        {
            env = Environment::createEnvironment (Environment::OBJECT);
            occipobjm (env);
            conn = env->createConnection (user, passwd, db);
        }

        ~occipobj ()
        {
            env->terminateConnection (conn);
            Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
        }

        void setTableName (string s)
        {
            tableName = s;
        }
}

```



```
/**
 * Insertion of a row
 */
void insertRow (int a1, string a2)
{
    cout << "Inserting row ADDRESS (" << a1 << ", " << a2 << ")" << endl;
    Number n1(a1);
    address_obj *o = new (conn, tableName) address_obj(n1, a2);
    conn->commit ();
    cout << "Insertion - Successful" << endl;
}

/**
 * updating a row
 */
void updateRow (int b1, int a1, string a2)
{
    cout << "Updating a row with attribute a1 = " << b1 << endl;
    stmt = conn->createStatement
        ("SELECT REF(a) FROM address_tab a WHERE street_no = :x FOR UPDATE");
    stmt->setInt (1, b1);
    ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery ();
    try{
        if ( rs->next() )
        {
            RefAny rany = rs->getRef (1);
            Ref <address_obj > r1(rany);
            address_obj *o = r1.ptr();
            o->markModified ();
            o->setStreet_no (Number (a1));
            o->setCity (a2);
            o->flush ();
        }
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown updateRow"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    conn->commit ();
    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
    cout << "Updation - Successful" << endl;
}
```

```

/**
 * deletion of a row
 */
void deleteRow (int a1, string a2)
{
    cout << "Deleting a row with object ADDRESS (" << a1 << ", " << a2
        << ")" << endl;
    stmt = conn->createStatement
        ("SELECT REF(a) FROM address_tab a WHERE street_no = :x AND city = :y FOR
UPDATE");
    stmt->setInt (1, a1);
    stmt->setString (2, a2);
    ResultSet *rs = stmt->executeQuery ();
    try{
        if ( rs->next() )
        {
            RefAny rany = rs->getRef (1);
            Ref<address_obj > r1(rany);
            address_obj *o = r1.ptr();
            o->markDelete ();
        }
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for deleteRow"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    conn->commit ();
    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
    cout << "Deletion - Successful" << endl;
}

/**
 * displaying all the rows in the table
 */
void displayAllRows ()
{
    string sqlStmt = "SELECT REF (a) FROM address_tab a";
    stmt = conn->createStatement (sqlStmt);
    ResultSet *rset = stmt->executeQuery ();
    try{
        while (rset->next ())
        {

```

```

        RefAny rany = rset->getRef (1);
        Ref<address_obj > r1(rany);
        address_obj *o = r1.ptr();
        cout << "ADDRESS(" << (int)o->getStreet_no () << ", " << o->getCity () <<
    ")" << endl;
    }
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for displayAllRows"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: " << ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    stmt->closeResultSet (rset);
    conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
}

}; // end of class occipobj

```

```

int main (void)
{
    string user = "SCOTT";
    string passwd = "TIGER";
    string db = "";

    try
    {
        cout << "occipobj - Exhibiting simple insert, delete & update operations"
            " on persistent objects" << endl;
        occipobj *demo = new occipobj (user, passwd, db);

        cout << "Displaying all rows before the operations" << endl;
        demo->displayAllRows ();

        demo->setTableName ("ADDRESS_TAB");

        demo->insertRow (21, "KRISHNA");

        demo->deleteRow (22, "BOSTON");

        demo->updateRow (33, 123, "BHUMI");

        cout << "Displaying all rows after all the operations" << endl;
        demo->displayAllRows ();
    }
}

```

```

        delete (demo);
        cout << "occipobj - done" << endl;
    }catch (SQLException ea)
    {
        cerr << "Error running the demo: " << ea.getMessage () << endl;
    }
}

```

## occipool.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to use the connection pool interface of OCCI:

```

/**
 * occipool - Demonstrating the Connection Pool interface of OCCI.
 *
 * DESCRIPTION :
 *   This program demonstrates the creating and using of connection pool in the
 *   database and fetching records of a table.
 *
 */

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

class occipool
{
private:
    Environment *env;
    Connection *con;
    Statement *stmt;
public :
    /**
     * Constructor for the occipool test case.
     */
    occipool ()
    {
        env = Environment::createEnvironment (Environment::DEFAULT);
    } // end of constructor occipool ()
}

```

```

/**
 * Destructor for the occipool test case.
 */
~occipool ()
{
    Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
} // end of ~occipool ()

/**
 * The testing logic of the test case.
 */
dvoid select ()
{
    cout << "occipool - Selecting records using ConnectionPool interface" <<
endl;
    const string poolUserName = "SCOTT";
    const string poolPassword = "TIGER";
    const string connectString = "";
    const string username = "SCOTT";
    const string passWord = "TIGER";
    unsigned int maxConn = 5;
    unsigned int minConn = 3;
    unsigned int incrConn = 2;
    ConnectionPool *connPool = env->createConnectionPool
        (poolUserName, poolPassword, connectString, minConn, maxConn, incrConn);
    try{
        if (connPool)
            cout << "SUCCESS - createConnectionPool" << endl;
        else
            cout << "FAILURE - createConnectionPool" << endl;
        con = connPool->createConnection (username, passWord);
        if (con)
            cout << "SUCCESS - createConnection" << endl;
        else
            cout << "FAILURE - createConnection" << endl;
    }catch(SQLException ex)
    {
        cout<<"Exception thrown for createConnectionPool"<<endl;
        cout<<"Error number: "<< ex.getErrorCode() << endl;
        cout<<ex.getMessage() << endl;
    }

    cout << "retrieving the data" << endl;
    stmt = con->createStatement
        ("SELECT author_id, author_name FROM author_tab");
}

```

```

        ResultSet *rset = stmt->executeQuery();
        while (rset->next())
        {
            cout << "author_id:" << rset->getInt (1) << endl;
            cout << "author_name:" << rset->getString (2) << endl;
        }
        stmt->closeResultSet (rset);
        con->terminateStatement (stmt);
        connPool->terminateConnection (con);
        env->terminateConnectionPool (connPool);

        cout << "occipool - done" << endl;
    } // end of test (Connection *)

}; // end of class occipool

int main (void)
{
    string user = "SCOTT";
    string passwd = "TIGER";
    string db = "";

    occipool *demo = new occipool ();

    demo->select();
    delete demo;

} // end of main ()

```

## occiproc.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to invoke PL/SQL procedures with bind parameters:

```

/**
 * occiproc - Demonstrating the invoking of a PL/SQL function and procedure
 * using OCCI.
 *
 * DESCRIPTION :
 *   This program demonstrates the invoking a PL/SQL function and procedure
 *   having IN, IN/OUT and OUT parameters.
 *
 */

```

```

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

class occiproc
{
private:

Environment *env;
Connection *con;

public :
/**
 * Constructor for the occiproc demo program.
 */
occiproc (string user, string passwd, string db) throw (SQLException)
{
    env = Environment::createEnvironment (Environment::DEFAULT);
    con = env->createConnection (user, passwd, db);
} // end of constructor occiproc (string, string, string )

/**
 * Destructor for the occiproc demo program.
 */
~occiproc () throw (SQLException)
{
    env->terminateConnection (con);
    Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
} // end of ~occiproc ()

// Function to call a PL/SQL procedure
void callproc ()
{
    cout << "callproc - invoking a PL/SQL procedure having IN, OUT and IN/OUT ";
    cout << "parameters" << endl;
    Statement *stmt = con->createStatement
        ("BEGIN demo_proc(:v1, :v2, :v3); END;");
    cout << "Executing the block :" << stmt->getSQL() << endl;
    stmt->setInt (1, 10);
    stmt->setString (2, "IN");
    stmt->registerOutParam (2, OCCISTRING, 30, "");
    stmt->registerOutParam (3, OCCISTRING, 30, "");
    int updateCount = stmt->executeUpdate ();
    cout << "Update Count:" << updateCount << endl;
}
}

```

```

    string c1 = stmt->getString (2);
    string c2 = stmt->getString (3);
    cout << "Printing the INOUT & OUT parameters:" << endl;
    cout << "Col2:" << c1 << " Col3:" << c2 << endl;

    con->terminateStatement (stmt);
    cout << "occiproc - done" << endl;
} // end of callproc ()

// Function to call a PL/SQL function
void callfun ()
{ cout << "callfun - invoking a PL/SQL function having IN, OUT and IN/OUT ";
  cout << "parameters" << endl;
  Statement *stmt = con->createStatement
    ("BEGIN :a := demo_fun(:v1, :v2, :v3); END;");
  cout << "Executing the block :" << stmt->getSQL() << endl;
  stmt->setInt (2, 10);
  stmt->setString (3, "IN");
  stmt->registerOutParam (1, OCCISTRING, 30, "");
  stmt->registerOutParam (3, OCCISTRING, 30, "");
  stmt->registerOutParam (4, OCCISTRING, 30, "");
  int updateCount = stmt->executeUpdate ();
  cout << "Update Count : " << updateCount << endl;

  string c1 = stmt->getString (1);
  string c2 = stmt->getString (3);
  string c3 = stmt->getString (4);

  cout << "Printing the INOUT & OUT parameters :" << endl;
  cout << "Col2:" << c2 << " Col3:" << c3 << endl;
  cout << "Printing the return value of the function :";
  cout << c1 << endl;

  con->terminateStatement (stmt);
  cout << "occifun - done" << endl;
} // end of callfun ()
}; // end of class occiproc

int main (void)
{
  string user = "SCOTT";
  string passwd = "TIGER";
  string db = "";

```



```

cout << "occiproc - invoking a PL/SQL function and procedure having ";
cout << "parameters" << endl;

occiproc *demo = new occiproc (user, passwd, db);
demo->callproc();
demo->callfun();
delete demo;

} // end of main ()

```

## occistre.cpp

The following code example demonstrates how to use OCCI `ResultSet` streams:

```

/**
 * occistrm - Demonstrating the usage of streams for VARCHAR2 data
 *
 * Description
 * This demo program selects VARCHAR2 data using stream operations.
 */

#include <iostream.h>
#include <occi.h>
using namespace oracle::occi;
using namespace std;

class occistrm
{
private:

    Environment *env;
    Connection *conn;

public:

    occistrm (string user, string passwd, string db)
        throw (SQLException)
    {
        env = Environment::createEnvironment (Environment::DEFAULT);
        conn = env->createConnection (user, passwd, db);
    } // end of constructor occistrm (string, string, string)

    ~occistrm ()
        throw (SQLException)

```

```

    {
        env->terminateConnection (conn);
        Environment::terminateEnvironment (env);
    } // end of destructor

    /**
     * displaying all the rows in the table
     */
    void displayAllRows ()
    {
        Statement *stmt = conn->createStatement (
            "SELECT summary FROM book WHERE bookid = 11");
        stmt->execute ();
        ResultSet *rs = stmt->getResultSet ();
        rs->setCharacterStreamMode(1, 4000);
        char buffer[500];
        int length = 0;
        unsigned int size = 500;

        while (rs->next ())
        {
            Stream *stream = rs->getStream (1);
            while( (length=stream->readBuffer(buffer, size))!=-1)
            {
                cout << "Read " << length << " bytes from stream" << endl;
            }
        }
        stmt->closeResultSet (rs);
        conn->terminateStatement (stmt);
    } // end of updateRow (string);

}; // end of class occistrm

int main (void)
{
    string user = "SCOTT";
    string passwd = "TIGER";
    string db = "";

    cout << "occistrm - Exhibiting usage of streams for VARCHAR2 data"
        << endl;
    occistrm *demo = new occistrm (user, passwd, db);

    demo->displayAllRows ();
}

```

```
delete (demo);  
cout << "occistrm - done" << endl;  
} // end of int main (void);
```



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