



Simple DML - Declaring Variables Using %Type



One of the problems faced by Developers when defining local variables is getting the datatype and size the same as the underlying column in the table, in addition, over the course of time a PL/SQL script can become invalid because local variables which had been created to take tablecolumn values have not been updated when the table structure has changed.

A method of avoiding this problem is to use the *%type* declaration where the variable is given the column as its size and type.