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Breaking limits with the database JVM

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How to do ... this one ...?

- Get a directory listing as a virtual table

```
select file_name, file_size, last_modified from table(
  func_read_dir('/oracle/u01/app/oracle/product/11.1.0')
)
```

FILE_NAME	FILE_SIZE	LAST_MODIFIED
racg	4096	14.10.2007 11:43
owm	4096	14.10.2007 11:32
samples	4096	31.05.2006 01:42
network	4096	14.10.2007 11:46
bin	12288	01.10.2008 01:53
install.platform	37	01.10.2008 01:32
oc4j	4096	01.10.2008 01:48
hs	4096	14.10.2007 11:46
emcli	4096	01.10.2008 01:37

This is also possible ...

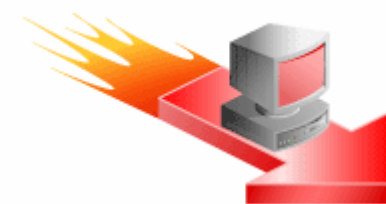
- Download a BLOB from an FTP Server

```
select ftp_client.ftp_download (
  'ftp://ftpserv.mydomain.com/path/to/file.jpg' )
content from dual
```

CONTENT

```
-----
FFD8FFE000104A46494600010001006000600000FFFE001F4C4541
4420546563686E6F6C6F6769657320496E632E2056312E303100FF
DB008400080606070605080707070A09080A0D160E0D0C0C0D1B
```

1 row selected.



And this ...



- Pack or unpack ZIP archives ...

```
select file_path, compressed_size, file_size
from table(
  zip.list(file_type.get_file(
    '/mnt/hgfs/D/XML-Dateien.zip').get_content_as_blob()
  )) where rownum<15;
```

FILE_PATH	COMPRESSED_SIZE	FILE_SIZE
purchaseOrder.xsd	811	4960
xml/ADAMS-20011127121040988PST.xml	514	1172
xml/ADAMS-2001112712104128PST.xml	579	1599
xml/ADAMS-20011127121041969PST.xml	1177	6626
xml/ADAMS-20011127121043261PST.xml	1292	7207
xml/ADAMS-2001112712104402PST.xml	1337	7441
xml/ADAMS-20011127121044232PST.xml	1326	7546
xml/ADAMS-20011127121044463PST.xml	1044	5414
xml/ADAMS-2001112712104492PST.xml	1032	5093
:	:	:

Oracle Database JVM

- Database-embedded JVM
 - Part of the RDBMS kernel – no separate processes
 - Fully J2SE compliant: 100% Java

- Introduced with Oracle8i
 - Oracle 9.2: Java 1.3
 - Oracle 10.2: Java 1.4
 - Oracle 11.1: Java 1.5
 - Oracle 11.2: Java 1.5

Oracle JVM: Characteristics

- Threading
 - Java Thread API is supported ... BUT ...
 - ... all threads are being serialized!
 - Do "real" parallel processing with **DBMS_SCHEDULER**

- Graphics: AWT
 - Oracle10g Release 2 and higher: *Headless AWT*
 - Provides AWT java methods for image processing



Administering the Oracle JVM

DBMS_JAVA

- Grant or revoke privileges
 - GRANT_PERMISSION, REVOKE_PERMISSION
- Redirect "console" output
 - Oracle8i:
 STDOUT redirection to SQL*Plus with SET_OUTPUT
 STDERR is always written to the tracefile
 - Oracle11g
 STDOUT and STDERR can be redirected to custom targets
- Misc. Settings
 - Export / Import of Java Bytecode
 - Compiler options
 - System properties

Java Stored Procedures

- Stored procedures or functions: in Java!
- Java Sources or Bytecode
 - Compile outside the database and load bytecode
 - Load Java Source and compile in the database
- Howto
 - SQL: CREATE JAVA SOURCE
 - Command line utilities: loadjava, dropjava



Java Stored Procedures

A simple example



- Load java source: "HelloWorld"

```
create or replace java source named "HelloWorldTest" as
```

```
public class HelloWorld {
    public static void sayHello() {
        System.out.println("Hello World");
    }

    public static String getHello(String sName) {
        return "Hello World " + sName;
    }
}
/
```

```
alter java source "HelloWorldTest" compile
/
```

Loading Java: loadjava

- What can be loaded ...?
 - Sourcecode (.java)
 - Bytecode (.class)
 - Archives (.jar, .zip)
 - Oracle11g: JAR-Archives can be kept as single unit

- Resolving dependencies:
 - The *Resolver* is the databases' CLASSPATH
 - Attention!
By default Oracle tries to resolve **all** dependencies while loading the java code – Note the "genmissing" option



Loading Java: loadjava

- Load Java classes (bytecode / archives)

```
$ loadjava -u scott/tiger -o -r -v MyJavaProgramm.class
```

```
$ loadjava
```

```
-jarsasdbobjects 
```

```
-prependjarnames
```

```
-u scott/tiger -o -r -v MyJavaProgramm.jar
```

- Remove java classes from the database

```
$ dropjava -u scott/tiger -o -v MyJavaProgramm.class
```

```
$ dropjava -u scott/tiger -o -v MyJavaProgramm.jar
```

The Java code has been loaded ...

- A java object in a database schema ...

```
SQL> select name, source from user_java_classes
```

NAME	SOURCE
-----	-----
HelloWorld	HelloWorldTest
:	:

```
5 rows selected.
```

- What now ...?
- How do we call this thing ...?

Java and PL/SQL

Bringing it together

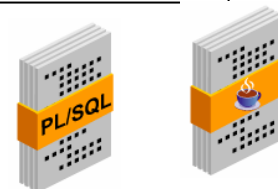
- Generate "PL/SQL Call Specifications" ...
 - Java methods must be "static" – wrapper class might be needed
 - Execution like any other PL/SQL unit

```

create or replace procedure say_hello
is language java name 'HelloWorld.sayHello()';
/

create or replace function get_hello(
  p_name in varchar2
) return varchar2 is language java name
'HelloWorld.getHello(java.lang.String) return java.lang.String';
/

```



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Java Stored Procedures

How to access tables, views and other objects

- Usual Java approach: JDBC
- Special JDBC driver
 - *"Server Side Internal Driver"*
 - Connects to the current session
 - Username and password (if given) are ignored

```

Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection(
    "jdbc:default:connection:"
);
  
```

- Standard JDBC programming afterwards

Type mappings

- Mapping of Java types to their SQL pendants
 - Database JVM uses JDBC mappings
 - Complex data types (Arrays, Object Types) are supported
 - "Pure PL/SQL" types (**boolean**, **record**) are *not* supported

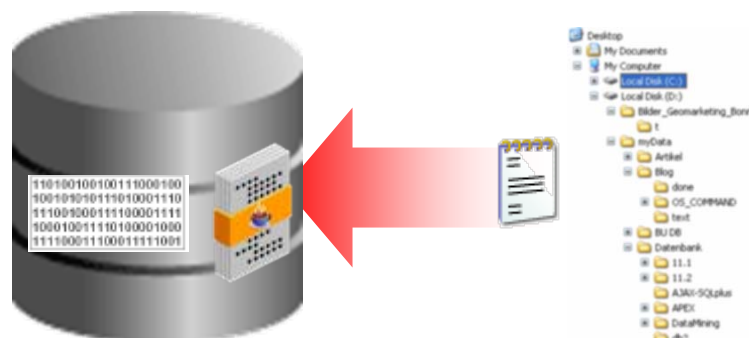
Table 6-1 Legal Data Type Mappings

SQL Type	Java Class
NUMBER	oracle.sql.NUMBER
	java.lang.Byte
	java.lang.Short
	java.lang.Integer
	java.lang.Long

Complex data type mappings

We need those for complex requirements

- An Example: BLOB or CLOB
- Get a file as a BLOB:
 1. **Java:** Create a *temporary LOB* with JDBC
 2. **Java:** Open the file and get the *InputStream*
 3. **Java:** Copy the bytes from *InputStream* to temporary LOB
 4. **PL/SQL:** Create the *call specification*



Get file contents

Java-Code ...

```

public BLOB getContent(String sFilePath) thro
// Create temporary LOB to return
Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection
BLOB fileContent = BLOB.createTemporary(con, true, BLOB.DURATION_CALL);

// Buffer for copying the file contents to the temporary LOB
byte[] bBuffer = new byte[fileContent.getChunkSize()];

// Open the Stream objects for copying
OutputStream blobWriter = fileContent.getBinaryOutputStream(OL);
InputStream fileReader = new FileInputStream(sFilePath);

// Do the copying (PSEUDOCODE)
copy(fileReader, blobWriter, bBuffer);

// Close all the handles
fileReader.close();
blobWriter.flush();
blobWriter.close();

// Return the temporary BLOB
return fileContent;
}

```

Returns:
oracle.sql.BLOB

Get file contents

Create and test PL/SQL call specification

- PL/SQL wrapper funktion

```
create or replace function get_file_content(
  p_file_path in varchar2
) return blob
as language java name
'FileContent.getContent(java.lang.String) return oracle.sql.BLOB';
/
```

- The first test ...

```
SQL> select get_file_content('/mnt/hgfs/D/HSE_Produktivitaet.pdf') from dual;

ERROR:
ORA-29532: Java-Aufruf durch nicht abgefangene Java-Exception beendet:
java.security.AccessControlException: the Permission (java.io.FilePermission
/mnt/hgfs/D/HSE_Produktivitaet.pdf read) has not been granted to DOAG. The
PL/SQL to grant this is dbms_java.grant_permission( 'DOAG',
'SYS:java.io.FilePermission', '/mnt/hgfs/D/HSE_Produktivitaet.pdf',
'read' )
```

Security Model

- Java-Engine has its own security model
 - Implementation of "Java2 Security"
 - OS resources are protected
 - Fine-grained privileges

- Java-Privileges are being checked as *Invokers' Rights*

- JVM superuser role for testing
 - JAVASYSPRIV: "JVM DBA" – everything is allowed



Grant read privilege for a file

- Grant privilege (as DBA)

```
begin
  dbms_java.grant_permission(
    grantee          => 'DOAG',
    permission_type  => 'SYS:java.io.FilePermission',
    permission_name  => '/mnt/hgfs/D/HSE_Produktivitaet.pdf',
    permission_action => 'read'
  );
end;
```

- Next attempt ...

```
select get_file_content('/mnt/hgfs/D/HSE_Produktivitaet.pdf') from dual

GET_FILE_CONTENT('/MNT/HGFS/D/HSE_PRODUKTIVITAET.PDF')
-----
255044462D312E340D25E2E3CFD30D0A31362030206F626A203C3C2F4C69
6E656172697A656420312F4C203132333431322F4F2031392F4520313030
3630332F4E20322F54203132333034352F48205B
```

Privileges: Data Dictionary

USER_JAVA_POLICY

- Privileges granted to the schema user
 - Positive (GRANT) and negative (RESTRICT) Privileges
 - Fine-grained privileges (individual files)
 - Compliant to *Java 2 Security*

KIND	TYPE_NAME	NAME	ACTION
GRANT	java.io.FilePermission	/mnt/hgfs/D/HSE_Produktivitaet.pdf	read
GRANT	java.lang.RuntimePermission	createSecurityManager	
GRANT	java.lang.RuntimePermission	exitVM	
RESTRICT	java.lang.RuntimePermission	loadLibrary.*	
GRANT	java.lang.RuntimePermission	modifyThread	
GRANT	java.lang.RuntimePermission	modifyThreadGroup	
GRANT	java.lang.RuntimePermission	preferences	
GRANT	java.net.SocketPermission	*	connect,resolve
GRANT	java.util.PropertyPermission	*	read
GRANT	java.util.PropertyPermission	user.language	write

Even more complex type mappings

Mapping of arrays and object types

- Note the JDBC mapping for object types
 - oracle.sql.ARRAY
 - oracle.sql.STRUCT

- Create corresponding SQL object types first
 - CREATE TYPE ... AS OBJECT
 - CREATE TYPE ... AS TABLE | VARRAY () OF ...



Even more complex type mappings

How to

- Step 1: Create the SQL object type

```
create type FILE_TYPE as object (  
  file_name      varchar2(4000),  
  file_size      number,  
  last_modified  date,  
  is_dir         char(1),  
  is_writeable   char(1),  
  is_readable    char(1)  
);  
/
```

Even more complex type mappings

How to

- Step 2: Create the java class

```

public static STRUCT getFileDetails(String filePath) throws Exception{
    Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection(
        "jdbc:default:connection:");
    StructDescriptor sDescr = StructDescriptor.createDescriptor(
        "FILE_TYPE", con);
    File f = new File(filePath);

    Object[] oFileType = new Object[6];
    oFileType[0] = f.getName();
    oFileType[1] = new BigDecimal(f.length());
    oFileType[2] = new java.sql.Timestamp(f.lastModified());
    oFileType[3] = (f.isDirectory()?"Y":"N");
    oFileType[4] = (f.canWrite()?"Y":"N");
    oFileType[5] = (f.canRead()?"Y":"N");

    STRUCT    oraFileType = new STRUCT(sDescr, con, oFileType);
    return oraFileType;
}

```


Even more complex type mappings

How to

- Step 3: PL/SQL call specification

```
create or replace function get_file_details(
  p_file_path in varchar2
) return file_type
is language java name
'FileType.getFileDetails(java.lang.String) return oracle.sql.STRUCT';
/
```

```
select get_file_details('/mnt/hgfs/D/HSE_Produktivitaet.pdf')
from dual
```

FILE_NAME	FILE_SIZE	LAST_MOD	IS_DIR	IS_READABLE
HSE_Produktivitaet.pdf	123412	02.10.08	N	Y

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Java Performance

- New in Oracle11g: Just-In-Time Compiler
 - Automatic "Native-Compile" *on demand*
 - Forget the NCOMP utility
 - Enabled by default (parameter `java_jit_enabled`)

- Compile individual classes with **DBMS_JAVA**
 - DBMS_JAVA.COMPILE_CLASS
 - DBMS_JAVA.COMPILE_METHOD
 - DBMS_JAVA.UNCOMPILE_CLASS
 - DBMS_JAVA.UNCOMPILE_METHOD

What to use: Java or PL/SQL

- Both are reasonable alternatives
 - Today (Oracle11g) this also applies to performance:
 - Java: Just-In-Time-Compiler
 - PL/SQL: Native Compilation

- Best approach depends on requirements
 - Java solves problems PL/SQL can't
 - PL/SQL suits, due to simpler type mapping, better for data-centric logic

- Developers' knowhow is also an important factor

More examples

- Load all files in a folder into a table
<http://sql-plsql-de.blogspot.com/2008/09/ein-einfacher-ansatz-dateien-eines.html>
- Email Client for the Oracle database
<http://plsqlmailclient.sourceforge.net>
- Execute "tkprof" from the SQL layer
<http://sql-plsql-de.blogspot.com/2008/10/aktuelle-session-tracedatei-ansehen-mit.html>
- Handle ZIP archives
<http://www.oracle.com/global/de/community/tipps/zip/index.html>
- Call web services from the database
<http://www.oracle.com/global/de/community/tipps/webservices-3/index.html>

Operating system interaction

File system interaction with SQL and PL/SQL

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File system interaction with SQL and PL/SQL

File system interaction with SQL and PL/SQL

This project is about file system interaction from the Oracle database using SQL and PL/SQL. Four PL/SQL objects are provided for this purpose:

- **FILE_TYPE** represents an operating system file
- **FILE_PKG** is a helper package to obtain one or multiple file handles
- **OS_COMMAND** is a package to execute shell commands
- **LOB_WRITER_PLSQL** is a helper package to write LOBs (CLOB, BLOB) to operating system files with pure PL/SQL and "traditional" directory objects

Usage examples:

1. executing a shell command returning text output (ls -la)

```
SQL> select os_command.exec_clob('/bin/ls -la /home/oracle') COMMAND  
2* from dual
```

COMMAND

```
-----  
insgesamt 121920  
drwx----- 20 oracle oracle      4096 18. Jan 09:16 .  
drwxr-xr-x   3 root  root      4096 24. Apr 2007 ..  
-rw-----   1 oracle oracle         0 24. Apr 2007 .autorun.lck  
-rw-----   1 oracle oracle    11067 17. Jan 12:17 .bash_history  
-rw-r--r--   1 oracle oracle      24 24. Apr 2007 .bash_logout  
-rw-r--r--   1 oracle oracle    1342 13. Nov 11:47 .bash_profile  
-rw-r--r--   1 oracle oracle     124 24. Apr 2007 .bashrc  
-rw-----   1 oracle oinstall   1583 14. Jan 09:33 calc.sql  
drwx-----   3 oracle oracle      4096 24. Apr 2007 .config  
-rw-----   1 oracle oinstall     161  6. Nov 14:49 csv.txt  
drwxr-xr-x   4 oracle oinstall   4096  6. Dez 10:49 dbws  
:
```

2. creating a directory

Call external web services

```
SQL> desc stockquote
```

```
:
FUNCTION GETQUOTE RETURNS VARCHAR2
Argument Name          Type                    In/Out Default?
-----
ARG0                   VARCHAR2              IN
```

```
:
```

```
SQL> select stockquote.getquote('ORCL') from dual;
```

```
STOCKQUOTE.GETQUOTE('ORCL')
```

```
-----
<StockQuotes><Stock><Symbol>ORCL</Symbol><Last>21.26</Last><Date>1/16/2008</Date><Time>10:21am</Time><Change>-0.05</Change><Open>21.11</Open><High>21.34</High><Low>20.85</Low><Volume>15421232</Volume><MktCap>109.2B</MktCap><PreviousClose>21.31</PreviousClose><PercentageChange>-0.23%</PercentageChange><AnnRange>15.97 - 23.31</AnnRange><Earns>0.914</Earns><P-E>23.32</P-E><Name>ORACLE CORP</Name></Stock></StockQuotes>
```

More information

- Documentation: Java Developers' Guide
http://download.oracle.com/docs/cd/B28359_01/java.111/b31225/toc.htm
- The presenters' blog
<http://sql-plsql-de.blogspot.com>



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