



# Oracle to PostgreSQL Migration: a hard way ?

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# About Ora2Pg

- Ora2Pg, first release on May 2001 (last version: 15.1)
  - 14 years of development !
  - Near 10,000 lines of Perl code
  - What users say about Ora2Pg?
    - « Terrific program! »
    - « You save my life! »
    - « Invaluable! »
- Where are we now ?
  - Hundred of Oracle database migration
  - Industrial deployment of Ora2Pg
    - When one database is migrated others follow
    - Some others can not because of editor's locks
  - Ask PostgreSQL support to software editors !

# 2015 – What Ora2Pg can do ?

- Automatic Oracle database discovery
- Automatic creation of migration projects
- Oracle database migration cost assessment
- Automatic database schema export
- Full and automatic data export
- Automatic conversion of PL/SQL to PLPGSQL
- Oracle Spatial to PostGis export

# Automatic discovery

- Set the Oracle connection DSN
  - `ora2pg -u system -w manager -t SHOW_VERSION --source « dbi:Oracle:host=localhost;sid=testdb »`
- Set the configuration file `/etc/ora2pg/ora2pg.conf`
  - `ORACLE_DSN dbi:Oracle:host=localhost;sid=testdb`
  - `ORACLE_USER system`
  - `ORACLE_PWD manager`
- Look for schema to export and set it into configuration file:
  - `ora2pg -c /etc/ora2pg/ora2pg.conf -t SHOW_SCHEMA`
  - `SCHEMA HR`
- Lookup database tables and columns:
  - `ora2pg -c /etc/ora2pg/ora2pg.conf -t SHOW_TABLE`
  - `ora2pg -c /etc/ora2pg/ora2pg.conf -t SHOW_COLUMN`

# Create a migration project

```
ora2pg --init_project my_db_mig --project_base /full/path/to/project
```

```
/full/path/to/project/my_db_mig/
```

```
|— config/
|  |— ora2pg.conf
|— data/
|— export_schema.sh
|— reports/
|— schema/
|  |— dblinks/ functions/ grants/ mviews/ packages/
|  |— partitions/ procedures/ sequences/ synonyms/
|  |— tables/ tablespaces/ directories/ triggers/ types/ views/
|— sources/
|  |— functions/ mviews/ packages/ partitions/
|  |— procedures/ triggers/ types/ views/
```

# Migration assessment

- What database might be migrated first ?
  - Don't choose the Oracle Application database, you will fail !
  - Choose the smallest with few PL/SQL to learn Ora2Pg usage
  - Then choose the most representative, you need to forge your experience
- But how much human-days this work will cost me?
  - Buy an expensive audit
  - Use Ora2Pg migration assessment report

```
ora2pg -c /etc/ora2pg.conf -t SHOW_REPORT --estimate_cost  
--dump_as_html > report.html
```

## Ora2Pg - Database Migration Report

**Version** Oracle Database 12c Enterprise Edition Release 12.1.0.2.0

**Schema** HR

**Size** 9.62 MB

Object	Number	Invalid	Estimated cost	Comments	Details
DATABASE LINK	4	0	12	Database links will be exported as SQL/MED PostgreSQL's Foreign Data Wrapper (FDW) extensions using oracle fdw.	
FUNCTION	2	0	9	Total size of function code: 421 bytes.	get_tab_ptf: 4 get_tab_tf: 3
INDEX	29	0	4.8	17 index(es) are concerned by the export, others are automatically generated and will do so on PostgreSQL. Bitmap index(es) will be exported as b-tree index(es) if any. Cluster, domain, bitmap join and IOT indexes will not be exported at all. Reverse indexes are not exported too, you may use a trigram-based index (see pg_trgm) or a reverse() function based index and search. Use 'varchar_pattern_ops', 'text_pattern_ops' or 'bpchar_pattern_ops' operators in your indexes to improve search with the LIKE operator respectively into varchar, text or char columns.	5 domain index(es) 1 function based b-tree index(es) 11 b-tree index(es)
JOB	0	0	0	Job are not exported. You may set external cron job with them.	
MATERIALIZED VIEW	2	0	6	All materialized view will be exported as snapshot materialized views, they are only updated when fully refreshed.	
PACKAGE BODY	2	0	44	Total size of package code: 2992 bytes. Number of procedures and functions found inside those packages: 6.	emp_mgmt.create_dept: 3 emp_mgmt.hire: 11 emp_mgmt.increase_comm: 3 emp_mgmt.increase_sal: 3 emp_mgmt.remove_dept: 3 emp_mgmt.remove_emp: 3
PROCEDURE	2	0	8	Total size of procedure code: 772 bytes.	secure_dml: 3 add_job_history: 3
SEQUENCE	4	0	0.4	Sequences are fully supported, but all call to sequence_name.NEXTVAL or sequence_name.CURRVAL will be transformed into NEXTVAL('sequence_name') or CURRVAL('sequence_name').	
SYNONYM	0	0	0	SYNONYMs will be exported as views. SYNONYMs do not exists with PostgreSQL but a common workaround is to use views or set the PostgreSQL search_path in your session to access object outside the current schema.	emp_details_view_v is an alias to HR.EMP_DETAILS_VIEW public.emp_table is a link to hr.employees@curr_user offices is an alias to HR.LOCATIONS
TABLE	36	0	18.2	1 external table(s) will be exported as file_fdw foreign table. See EXTERNAL_TO_FDW configuration directive to export as standard table or use COPY in your code if you just want to load data from external files. 2 check constraint(s).	1 binary columns 5 unknow types Total number of rows: 1552 Top 5 of tables sorted by number of rows: customer_summary has 1154 rows employees has 107 rows user_role has 55 rows t1 has 32 rows departments has 27 rows
TABLE PARTITION	2	0	0.2	Partitions are exported using table inheritance and check constraint. Hash partitions are not supported by PostgreSQL and will not be exported.	1 range partitions
TABLE SUBPARTITION	2	0	0.4		
TRIGGER	6	1	36	Total size of trigger code: 2120 bytes.	check_raise_on_avg: 18 update_job_history: 3 ioft_emp_perm: 3 ioft_insert_role_perm: 3
TYPE	3	0	2	2 type(s) are concerned by the export, others are not supported. Note that Type inherited and Subtype are converted as table, type inheritance is not supported.	2 nested tables 1 object type
VIEW	4	0	4	Views are fully supported.	
<b>Total</b>	98	1	145	145 cost migration units means approximatively 2 man-day(s). The migration unit was set to 5 minute(s)	



# Schema migration

- Almost everything is exported :
  - table, constraint, index, sequence, trigger, view, tablespace, grant, type, partition
  - procedure, function, package, synonym, database link, materialized view, ...
- but some are not exported and need adaptation :
  - IOT / Cluster indexes can be replaced by « CLUSTER table\_name USING index\_name ».
  - Bitmap indexes are internally build by PostgreSQL when needed.
  - Reverse indexes can be replaced by a trigram-based index (see pg\_trgm) or a reverse() function based index and search.
  - Type inheritance and type with member method are not supported
  - Global indexes over partitions are not supported
  - Global Temporary Table does not exists
  - Virtual Columns does not exists, use view instead
  - Compound triggers are not supported

# DATA migration

- Can you migrate Big data ?
  - Tera bytes of data and billions of rows in tables takes hours
  - Purge or archive unused or rarely used data
  - Import live data first, open to production then import remaining data
- The Oracle and PostgreSQL database must be responsive
  - Parallel table export (-P ncores)
  - Multiple process to fill PostgreSQL tables (-j ncores)
  - Multiprocess to extract data from Oracle (-J ncores)
  - Both ? (-J ncores x -j ncores)
- Simple table (only columns with numbers) : +1 millions rows / second
- Complex table (lot of CLOB and/or BLOB) : 100 rows / second
- Always use COPY data export mode, INSERT is too slow

# What's new

- Version 15.0 Ora2Pg has cool new features:
  - Autonomous transaction
  - Database Link
  - External table
  - BFILE
  - DIRECTORY
  - SYNONYM
  - More Spatial support

# Autonomous transactions

- Autonomous transactions are not natively supported by PostgreSQL.
- Ora2Pg use a wrapper function to call the function through DBLINK
  - The original function is renamed with suffix '\_atx'
  - The wrapper function take the name of the original function
- Waiting for **pg\_background**
  - run commands in a background worker, and get the results.
  - Work in progress by Robert Haas - EnterpriseDB

# Autonomous transaction

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION log_action (msg text) RETURNS VOID AS
$body$
DECLARE
    -- Change this to reflect the dblink connection string
    v_conn_str text := 'port=5432 dbname=testdb host=localhost user=pguser
password=pgpass';
    v_query text;
BEGIN
    v_query := 'SELECT true FROM log_action_atx ( ' || quote_literal(msg) || ' )';
    PERFORM * FROM dblink(v_conn_str, v_query) AS p (ret boolean);
END;
$body$
LANGUAGE plpgsql STRICT SECURITY DEFINER;
```

# DATABASE LINK

- Access objects on a remote database
  - CREATE PUBLIC DATABASE LINK remote\_service USING 'remote\_db';
  - SELECT \* FROM employees@remote\_service;
- Ora2Pg will export it as Foreign Data Wrapper using **oracle\_fdw**
  - CREATE SERVER remote\_service FOREIGN DATA WRAPPER oracle\_fdw  
OPTIONS (dbserver 'remote\_db');
  - CREATE USER MAPPING FOR current\_user SERVER remote\_service  
OPTIONS (user 'scott', password 'tiger');
- Remote tables need to be created as FDW tables:
  - ora2pg -c ora2pg.conf -t FDW -a EMPLOYEES
  - CREATE FOREIGN TABLE employees\_fdw (... ) SERVER remote\_service  
OPTIONS(schema 'HR', table 'EMPLOYEES');

# EXTERNAL TABLES

- Oracle EXTERNAL TABLE does not exist internally into PostgreSQL
  - CREATE OR REPLACE DIRECTORY ext\_dir AS '/data/ext/';
  - CREATE TABLE ext\_table (id NUMBER, ...) ORGANIZATION EXTERNAL ( DEFAULT DIRECTORY ext\_dir ACCESS PARAMETERS (... LOCATION ('file\_ext.csv')) );

```
cat /data/ext/file_ext.csv
1234,ALBERT,GRANT,21
1235,ALFRED,BLUEOS,26
1236,BERNY,JOLYSE,34
```

- Ora2Pg will export them as remote tables using extension **file\_fdw** :

```
CREATE FOREIGN TABLE ext_tab (
    empno VARCHAR(4), firstname VARCHAR(20),
    lastname VARCHAR(20), age VARCHAR(2)
) SERVER ext_dir OPTIONS(filename '/data/ext/file_ext.csv', format 'csv', delimiter
',');
```

# BFILE

- The BFILE data type stores unstructured binary data in flat files outside the database.
- A BFILE column stores a file locator that points to an external file containing the data: (DIRECTORY, FILENAME)
- By default Ora2Pg will transform it as bytea by loading file content :
  - CREATE TABLE bfile\_test (id bigint, bfilecol bytea);  
COPY bfile\_test (id,bfilecol) FROM STDIN;  
1  
1234,ALBERT,GRANT,21\0121235,ALFRED,BLUEOS,26\0121236,BERNY,JOL  
YSE,34\012  
\.
- DATA\_TYPE = BFILE:TEXT, only the path is exported : '/data/ext/file\_ext.csv'
- DATA\_TYPE = BFILE:EFIELD, will use the **external\_file** extension
  - [https://github.com/darold/external\\_file](https://github.com/darold/external_file)



# DIRECTORY

- DIRECTORY can be exported to be used with the **external\_file** extension.  
([https://github.com/darold/external\\_file](https://github.com/darold/external_file))

```
INSERT INTO external_file.directories (directory_name, directory_path)
VALUES ('EXT_DIR', '/data/ext/');
```

```
INSERT INTO external_file.directory_roles (directory_name, directory_role,
directory_read, directory_write) VALUES ('EXT_DIR', 'hr', true, false);
```

```
INSERT INTO external_file.directories (directory_name, directory_path)
VALUES ('SCOTT_DIR', '/usr/home/scott/');
```

```
INSERT INTO external_file.directory_roles(directory_name, directory_role,
directory_read, directory_write) VALUES ('SCOTT_DIR', 'hr', true, true);
```

# SYNONYM

- A synonym is an alias name for objects. They are used to grant access to an object from another schema or a remote database.

- CREATE SYNONYM synonym\_name FOR object\_name [@ dblink];

- SYNONYMs doesn't exists in PostgreSQL

- SET search\_path TO other\_schema,...

- Ora2Pg will export them as VIEWS :

```
CREATE VIEW public.emp_table AS SELECT * FROM hr.employees;
```

```
ALTER VIEW public.emp_table OWNER TO hr;
```

```
GRANT ALL ON public.emp_table TO PUBLIC;
```

With DBLINK, you have to create a foreign table HR.EMPLOYEES using a foreign server (Ora2Pg will warn you to see DBLINK and FDW export type).

# ROWNUM

- Oracle : `SELECT * FROM table WHERE ROWNUM <= 10`
- PostgreSQL : `SELECT * FROM table LIMIT 10`
- Take care to the result, Oracle's sort `ORDER BY` is done after `ROWNUM` !!! To have the same behavior than `LIMIT`
  - `SELECT * FROM (SELECT * FROM A ORDER BY id) WHERE ROWNUM <= 10;`
- Ora2Pg replace automatically ending `ROWNUM` with `LIMIT` :
  - `ROWNUM = N` rewritten as `LIMIT 1 OFFSET N`
  - `ROWNUM < or <= N` rewritten as `LIMIT N`
  - `ROWNUM > or >= N` rewritten as `LIMIT ALL OFFSET N`
- `ROWNUM` to enumerate rows, not covered by Ora2Pg
  - Need to be rewritten as window function

# Empty string vs NULL

- A zero length string is NULL in Oracle:
  - "" = NULL
- PostgreSQL and SQL standard:
  - "" <> NULL
- Constraint violation on Oracle but not in PostgreSQL

```
CREATE TABLE tempt (  
    id NUMBER NOT NULL,  
    descr VARCHAR2(255) NOT NULL
```

```
);
```

```
INSERT INTO temp_table (id, descr) VALUES (2, "");
```

```
ORA-01400: cannot insert NULL into ("HR"."TEMPT"."DESCR")
```

# Empty string vs NULL

- By default Ora2Pg replace all conditions with a test on NULL by a call to the coalesce() function.
  - (field1 IS NULL) is replaced by (coalesce(field1::text, '') = '')
  - (field2 IS NOT NULL) is replaced by (field2 IS NOT NULL AND field2::text <> '')
- Default is replacement to be sure that your application will have the same behavior.
- You can not insert an empty string into a numeric so the replacement is no necessary.
- Set NULL\_EQUAL\_EMPTY to 0 to disable this automatic replacement.

# PL/SQL to PLPGSL

- All triggers, functions, procedures and packages are exported and converted to PLPGSQL by Ora2Pg.
  - This will really save your life !
- But some parts are not :
  - Global variables in packages, use dedicated tables instead
  - Anonymous/initialization block in package, use an init function with this code
  - Function created inside an other one, drop the code into a normal function
- Oracle specific code always need to be rewritten :
  - External modules (DBMS, UTL, ...)
  - CONNECT BY (use CTE « WITH RECURSIVE »)
  - OUTER JOIN (+)
  - DECODE (Ora2Pg can only transform simple forms)

# Oracle DBMS modules

- Some are implemented in orafce library (<https://github.com/orafce/orafce>)
  - DBMS\_OUTPUT
  - UTL\_FILE
  - DBMS\_PIPE
  - DBMS\_ALERT
- Some advanced functionalities are implemented in external PostgreSQL tools, contribs or extensions:
  - Oracle Advanced Queuing => see PGQ from Skytools
  - Oracle Jobs scheduler => see pgAgent / JobScheduler
- Others can easily be rewritten in extended language like Perl.
  - You used to send email from your Oracle database using UTL\_SMTP ?

# Example UTIL\_SMTP

CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION send\_email(name,inet, text, text, text) RETURNS integer AS

\$body\$

```
use Net::SMTP;
my ($Db, $Ip, $sendTo, $Subject, $Message) = @_ ;
my $smtp = Net::SMTP->new("mailhost", Timeout => 60);
$smtp->mail("$Db@$Ip");
$smtp->recipient($sendTo);
$smtp->data();
$smtp->datasend("To: $sendTo\n");
$smtp->datasend("Subject: $Subject\n");
$smtp->datasend("Content-Type: text/plain;\n\n");
$smtp->datasend("$Message\n");
$smtp->dataend();
$smtp->quit();
return 1;
```

\$body\$ language 'plperlu';

SELECT send\_email(current\_database(), inet\_server\_addr(), 'dba@dom.com', 'test pg\_util\_smtp', 'This is a test');



# Oracle OUTER JOIN (+)

- LEFT OUTER JOIN

- SELECT \* FROM a, b WHERE a.id = b.id (+)
- SELECT \* FROM a LEFT OUTER JOIN b ON (id)

- RIGHT OUTER JOIN

- SELECT \* FROM a, b, c WHERE a.id = b.id (+) AND a.id (+) = c.id
- SELECT \* FROM a LEFT OUTER JOIN b ON (a.id = b.id)  
RIGHT OUTER JOIN c ON (a.id = c.id)

- FULL OUTER JOIN

- SELECT \* FROM a, b WHERE a.id = b.id (+) UNION ALL  
SELECT \* FROM a, b WHERE a.id (+) = b.id AND a.id = NULL
- SELECT \* FROM a FULL OUTER JOIN b ON (a.id = b.id)

# Conversion of (+) to ANSI Joins

- Your PL/SQL code is filled with queries like that?
- Your developers still use (+) notation?
- How can you automatically convert this code to ANSI-compliant joins syntax?
  - Ora2Pg is not able to convert this code, at least not now.
- Please help!!!
  - First step to produce code with (+) notation is recommended by Oracle itself since Oracle 9i.

# Automatic conversion of (+)

- I can't migrate without automation, it will takes months!

Ok, keep calm, Toad is your friend !

Does Oracle SQL Developer too ?

# Open the TOAD Query Builder

The screenshot displays the TOAD Query Builder interface. The main window is titled "Toad for Oracle Trial Version - [HR@192.168.1.100:1521/TESTDB - Query Builder (New 1)]". The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, Search, Editor, Session, Database, Debug, View, Utilities, Rerun, Window, Help), a toolbar, and a status bar. The Query Builder window is active, showing a simple query "[1,1]" in the main editor. The Object Palette on the right lists various database objects, including tables like BT, CITY\_LIMIT, COL1\_TAB, COLA\_MARKETS, COUNTRIES, CUSTOMERS, CUSTOMER\_SUMMARY, DEPARTMENTS, DEPARTMENTS\_MV1, DEPT, DEPT\_CODE, EMP, EMPLOYEE, EMPLOYEES, EMPTY\_TABLE, JOBS, JOB\_HISTORY, LABOR\_HOUR, LOCATIONS, LRS\_ROUTES, MDRT\_16DF0\$, and MDRT\_16DF0\$. The status bar at the bottom indicates "Count: 46" and "HR@192.168.1.1".

Machine Écran Périphériques Aide

Toad for Oracle Trial Version - [HR@192.168.1.100:1521/TESTDB - Query Builder (New 1)]

SOL File Edit Search Editor Session Database Debug View Utilities Rerun Window Help

<No Workspace selected> Jump to... (Ctrl+J)

HR@192.168.1.100:1521/TESTDB

Editor SOL Query Builder

Project Manager

Query Browser

New 1

[1,1]

Object Palette

Owner: HR

Type: Tables

Table

- BT
- CITY\_LIMIT
- COL1\_TAB
- COLA\_MARKETS
- COUNTRIES
- CUSTOMERS
- CUSTOMER\_SUMMARY
- DEPARTMENTS
- DEPARTMENTS\_MV1
- DEPT
- DEPT\_CODE
- EMP
- EMPLOYEE
- EMPLOYEES
- EMPTY\_TABLE
- JOBS
- JOB\_HISTORY
- LABOR\_HOUR
- LOCATIONS
- LRS\_ROUTES
- MDRT\_16DF0\$
- MDRT\_16DF0\$

Messages

Generated Query Query Results Messages

[Warning] Query is empty.

C:\Users\Administrator\AppData\Roaming\TOAD\1: 1

Autocommit is OFF CAPS NUM INS Query Builder Count: 46 HR@192.168.1.1

# then load your SQL code

The screenshot shows the Toad for Oracle Query Builder interface. An 'Open' dialog box is open, displaying the contents of the Local Disk (C:). The file 'test\_join.sql' is selected in the file list. The dialog box includes fields for 'File name' (test\_join), 'Files of type' (SQL Files (\*.sql)), and 'Favorites'. The main interface shows the 'Query Builder' window with a query editor containing SQL code: SELECT, FROM, WHERE, JOIN, GROUP BY, HAVING, ORDER BY, NAMED SUBQUERIE, and UNION. The 'Object Palette' on the right lists various database objects, including tables like CITY\_LIMIT, COL1\_TAB, and DEPT.

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Toad for Oracle Trial Version - [HR@192.168.1.100:1521/TESTDB - Query Builder (New 1)]

File Edit Search Editor Session Database Debug View Utilities Rerun Window Help

<No Workspace selected> Jump to... (Ctrl+J)

HR@192.168.1.100:1521/TESTDB

Editor Query Builder

Project Manager

Query Browser

Messages

Generated Query

[Warning] Query is empty.

C: \Users\Administrator\AppData\Roaming 1: 1

Autocommit is OFF CAPS NUM INS Open File (Ctrl+O) Count: 46 HR@192.168.1.1

Name	Date modified	Type
inetpub	10/03/2014 20:13	File folder
MOVEitDMZ	10/03/2014 20:14	File folder
MySQL	10/03/2014 20:14	File folder
PerfLogs	14/07/2009 05:20	File folder
pgbadger	15/04/2014 16:56	File folder
Program Files	21/01/2015 19:33	File folder
Program Files (x86)	21/01/2015 19:31	File folder
strawberry	15/04/2014 15:46	File folder
Users	10/03/2014 20:14	File folder
Windows	21/01/2015 19:33	File folder
test_join.sql	21/01/2015 20:57	SQL File

Table
BT
CITY_LIMIT
COL1_TAB
COLA_MARKETS
COUNTRIES
CUSTOMERS
CUSTOMER_SUMMARY
DEPARTMENTS
DEPARTMENTS_MV1
DEPT
DEPT_CODE
EMP
EMPLOYEE
EMPLOYEES
EMPTY_TABLE
JOBS
JOB_HISTORY
LABOR_HOUR
LOCATIONS
LRS_ROUTES
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# Oracle outer join syntax

The screenshot displays the Toad for Oracle Query Builder interface. The main window shows a query diagram with two tables, T2 and T3, connected by an outer join symbol. The join condition is T3.X = T2.X. The generated SQL query is as follows:

```
1 SELECT D, C
2 FROM T3, T2
3 WHERE T3.X = T2.X(+)
```

The Object Palette on the right lists various tables in the HR schema, including BT, CITY\_LIMIT, COL1\_TAB, COLA\_MARKETS, COUNTRIES, CUSTOMERS, CUSTOMER\_SUMMARY, DEPARTMENTS, DEPARTMENTS\_MV1, DEPT, DEPT\_CODE, EMP, EMPLOYEE, EMPLOYEES, EMPTY\_TABLE, JOBS, JOB\_HISTORY, LABOR\_HOUR, LOCATIONS, LRS\_ROUTES, MDRT\_16DF0\$, MDRT\_16DF0\$, and MDRT\_16DF0\$.

The status bar at the bottom indicates the current session is HR@192.168.1.100:1521/TESTDB, with a count of 46 rows. The Autocommit is OFF, and the current table is CAPS.

# and the ANSI-compliant Join

The screenshot displays the Toad for Oracle Query Builder interface. The main window shows a query diagram with two tables, T2 and T3, connected by a join symbol. The join condition is T3.X = T2.X. The generated SQL query is as follows:

```
1 SELECT D, C
2 FROM T3 LEFT OUTER JOIN T2 ON (T3.X = T2.X)
```

The interface includes a Project Manager on the left, a Query Browser in the middle-left, and an Object Palette on the right. The Object Palette shows a list of tables in the HR schema, including BT, CITY\_LIMIT, COL\_1\_TAB, COLA\_MARKETS, COUNTRIES, CUSTOMERS, CUSTOMER\_SUMMARY, DEPARTMENTS, DEPARTMENTS\_MV1, DEPT, DEPT\_CODE, EMP, EMPLOYEE, EMPLOYEES, EMPTY\_TABLE, JOBS, JOB\_HISTORY, LABOR\_HOUR, LOCATIONS, LRS\_ROUTES, MDRT\_16DF0\$, and MDRT\_16DF0\$.

The status bar at the bottom indicates the file path C:\Users\Administrator\AppData\Roaming\Toad\2: 46, the current table is HR@192.168.1.1, and the count is 46. The Autocommit is OFF, and the current session is using the ANSI Join Syntax.

# Refactor → Convert to ANSI Join Syntax

The screenshot displays the Toad for Oracle interface. The main editor window shows a SQL query:

```
1 SELECT T3.d, T2.c
2 FROM T3, T2
3 WHERE T3.x = T2.x (+);
```

The 'Refactor' menu is open, and the 'Convert to ANSI Join Syntax' option is selected. The 'Object Palette' on the right shows a list of database objects, including EMP, EMPLOYEE, EMPLOYEES, EMPTY\_TABLE, JOBS, JOB\_HISTORY, LABOR\_HOUR, LOCATIONS, LRS\_ROUTES, MDRT\_16DF0\$, and MDRT\_16DF0\$.

The status bar at the bottom indicates the current session is 'HR@192.168.1.100:1521/TESTDB' and shows the status of 'Autocommit is OFF'.



# DECODE

- This is an Oracle specific function :
  - DECODE (expression, search, result [, search, result]... [, default])
  - CASE WHEN expr = search THEN result ... ELSE default END
- You have tons of functions and queries using it!
  - Use SQL standard CASE clause or why not the Oracle decode() function
- My developers still use it!
  - Oracle recommend the use of CASE since 9i
- Please help!!!
  - Ora2Pg can only replace simple form of the function up to 10 parameters
  - But remember your friend, TOAD !

# Refactor → Convert Decode to Case

The screenshot shows the Toad for Oracle interface with a SQL editor window containing the following query:

```
1 SELECT D,  
2     DECODE(X, 1, 'Oracle',  
3           2, 'PostgreSQL',  
4           3, 'MySQL',  
5           'CSV') DBNAME  
6 FROM T3;
```

The Refactor menu is open, and the option "Convert Decode Function to Case Statement" is highlighted. The Data Grid below the editor shows the results of the query:

D	DBNAME
2	Oracle
2	PostgreSQL

The status bar at the bottom indicates: "7: 1 (129 selected) 7 msec Row 1 of 2 Total Rows HR@192.168.1.100:1521/7 Autocommit is OFF CAPS NUM INS Convert decode functions to case statements".

# Decode converted to Case

The screenshot shows the Toad for Oracle interface. The main editor window contains the following SQL query:

```
1 SELECT D,  
2     CASE  
3     WHEN X = 1 THEN 'Oracle'  
4     WHEN X = 2 THEN 'PostgreSQL'  
5     WHEN X = 3 THEN 'MySQL'  
6     ELSE 'CSV'  
7     END  
8     DBNAME  
9 FROM T3;
```

The Data Grid below the query shows the results of the query:

D	DBNAME
2	Oracle
2	PostgreSQL

The interface also shows the Project Manager on the left, the Object Palette on the right, and the status bar at the bottom indicating the current row and total rows.

# Oracle Spatial/Locator type

```
CREATE TABLE cola_markets (  
    mkt_id NUMBER PRIMARY KEY,  
    name VARCHAR2(32),  
    shape SDO_GEOMETRY  
);
```

Type SDO\_GEOMETRY:

```
SDO_GEOMETRY(  
    2001, -- Indicates the type of the geometry, here a point  
    NULL, -- Identify a coordinate system (SRID: spatial reference system)  
    NULL, -- SDO_POINT attributes X, Y, and Z, all of type NUMBER  
    SDO_ELEM_INFO_ARRAY(1,1,1), -- Element informations array  
    SDO_ORDINATE_ARRAY(10, 5) -- Coordinates Array  
)
```



# Geometry Constraints

- With PostGis you can enforce the type of spatial object that must be used :

```
CREATE TABLE stores (  
    id integer,  
    gps_position geometry(POINT),  
    sale_area geometry(POLYGONZ)  
);
```

- 3D objects are signified with suffix Z and 4D using ZM :
  - GEOMETRY / GEOMETRYZ / GEOMETRYZM
  - POINT / POINTZ / POINTZM
  - POLYGON / POLYGONZ / POLYGONZM

# Default geometry

- You can mixed several geometry types (points / lines / polygons...) in the same column.
  - shape geometry(**GEOMETRY**)
  - shape geometry(**GEOMETRY**, 4326)
- This correspond to the generic use of the GEOMETRY type.
- This is the default type used by Ora2Pg.

# SRID

- SRID : Spatial reference system
- Oracle "legacy" vs standard "EPSG"
  - CONVERT\_SRID 1
- Conversion function : **map\_oracle\_srid\_to\_epsg()**
  - Returns often NULL
  - DEFAULT\_SRID 4326
- To enforce the use of a particular SRID :
  - CONVERT\_SRID 27572



# Detecting geometry constraint

- Ora2Pg is able to detect the geometry type of a column by
  - Looking at the constrained type in parameters of spatial indexes
    - Ex : CREATE INDEX ... PARAMETERS ('sdo\_indx\_dims=2, layer\_gtype=line');
  - Or using a sequential scan to search distinct geometry types
    - AUTODETECT\_SPATIAL\_TYPE 1
    - When only one geometry type is found, it is applied as constraint
- Sequential scan is only used when there's no constraint type defined.
- it need to be limited or the whole table will be scanned
  - SELECT DISTINCT c.SDO\_GTYPE FROM MYTABLE c WHERE ROWNUM < ?;
    - AUTODETECT\_SPATIAL\_TYPE = 1 then ROWNUM=50000 by default
    - AUTODETECT\_SPATIAL\_TYPE > 1, ROWNUM=AUTODETECT\_SPATIAL\_TYPE

# Inserting geometry : Oracle

A simple rectangle inserted into Oracle :

```
INSERT INTO cola_markets VALUES (  
    302, 'Rectangle',  
    SDO_GEOMETRY(  
        2003, -- 2D polygon  
        8307,  
        NULL,  
        SDO_ELEM_INFO_ARRAY(1,1003,3), -- a rectangle  
        SDO_ORDINATE_ARRAY(1,1, 5,7) -- 2 points define the rectangle  
    )  
);
```

```
INSERT INTO cola_markets VALUES (302, 'Rectangle', GeomFromText('POLYGON  
((1.0 1.0, 5.0 1.0, 5.0 7.0, 1.0 7.0, 1.0 1.0))));
```



# Spatial data export

- Ora2Pg first lookup for SRID by querying the ALL\_SDO\_GEOM\_METADATA table.

- Then export data as EWKT, using COPY mode:

```
COPY cola_markets (mkt_id,name,shape) FROM STDIN;
```

```
301    polygon SRID=4326;POLYGON ((5.0 1.0, 8.0 1.0,  
8.0 6.0, 5.0 7.0, 5.0 1.0))
```

```
\.
```

- Or when using INSERT mode:

```
INSERT INTO cola_markets (mkt_id,name,shape)  
VALUES (301,E'polygon',ST_GeomFromText('POLYGON  
((5.0 1.0, 8.0 1.0, 8.0 6.0, 5.0 7.0, 5.0 1.0))',4326));
```

# Spatial Indexes

## Oracle spatial indexes

```
CREATE INDEX cola_spatial_idx  
ON cola_markets(shape)  
INDEXTYPE IS MDSYS.SPATIAL_INDEX;
```

## PostgreSQL spatial index

```
CREATE INDEX cola_spatial_idx  
ON cola_markets USING gist(shape);
```

# Supported Geometries

- 2D and 3D geometry are exported
- SDO\_POINT
- UNKNOWN\_GEOMETRY
- POINT
- POLYGON
- COLLECTION
- MULTIPOINT
- MULTILINE or MULTICURVE
- MULTIPOLYGON
- Unsupported: CIRCLE, RASTER

# Spatial Function

Ora2Pg replace all call to SDO\_\* functions into PostGis ST\_\* functions in converted PL/SQL code

SDO\_GEOM.RELATE => ST\_Relate

SDO\_GEOM.VALIDATE\_GEOMETRY\_WITH\_CONTEXT => ST\_IsValidReason

SDO\_GEOM.WITHIN\_DISTANCE => ST\_DWithin

SDO\_DISTANCE => ST\_Distance

SDO\_BUFFER => ST\_Buffer

SDO\_CENTROID => ST\_Centroid

SDO\_UTIL.GETVERTICES => ST\_DumpPoints

SDO\_TRANSLATE => ST\_Translate

SDO\_SIMPLIFY => ST\_Simplify

SDO\_AREA => ST\_Area

SDO\_CONVEXHULL => ST\_ConvexHull

SDO\_DIFFERENCE => ST\_Difference

SDO\_INTERSECTION => ST\_Intersection

SDO\_LENGTH => ST\_Length

SDO\_POINTONSURFACE => ST\_PointOnSurface

SDO\_UNION => ST\_Union

SDO\_XOR => ST\_SymDifference

# The hidden part of the magic

- Aka, the todo list:
  - Use regexp only => need a real PL/SQL parser/lexer
    - Ora2Pg replace sometime SELECT by PERFORM wrongly
    - Replacement of complex form of code
  - Hash and multicolumn partitioning
  - Add a mechanism to handle global variables in packages
  - Allow user custom function to modify data on the fly
  - Allow incremental data migration
  - Embedded SQL code formatter
  - Parallelized creation of indexes and constraint
  - ...



# Tools equivalence 1/3

- SQLPLUS: PSQL but much more
- TOAD / Oracle SQL Developer: TORA (<http://torasql.com/>) or pgAdmin
- EXPLAIN PLAN: EXPLAIN ANALYZE
- ANALYZE TABLE: ANALYZE
- Cold backup: both are file system backup
- Hot backup: REDOLOGS = ARCHIVELOGS
- Logical Export: exp = pg\_dump
- Logical Import: imp = pg\_restore or psql
- SQL Loader: pgLoader (<http://pgloader.io/>)
- RMAN: Barman (<http://www.pgbarman.org/>) or Pitrery (<https://dalibo.github.io/pitrery/>)
- AUDIT TRAIL: pgAudit (<https://github.com/2ndQuadrant/pgaudit>)

# Tools equivalence 2/3

- Pooling / Dispatcher:
  - PgBouncer (<http://pgfoundry.org/projects/pgbouncer>)
  - PgPool (<http://www.pgpool.net/>)
- Active Data Guard:
  - PostgreSQL master / slave replication
  - Slony (<http://slony.info/>)
- Replication master / master:
  - PostgreSQL-XC (<http://sourceforge.net/projects/postgres-xc/>)
  - Bucardo (<https://bucardo.org/>)
- Logical replication:
  - PostgreSQL 9.5 / 10 ?
  - Slony
- Official binary packages for all these projects can be found at <http://yum.postgresql.org> or <http://apt.postgresql.org>

# Tools equivalence 3/3

- RAC Horizontal scaling: PostgreSQL-XC – PostgreSQL-XL - plProxy, pg\_shard
- Oracle => Postgres Plus Advanced Server
  - Same as PostgreSQL but with proprietary code and database feature compatibility for Oracle.
  - Compatible with applications written for Oracle.
  - No need to rewrite PL/SQL into PLPGSQL
  - Applications written for Oracle run on Postgres Plus Advanced Server without modification.
  - <http://www.enterprisedb.com/>
- This is not an exhaustive list of the existing tools, there's much more interesting projects.

# Monitoring / Audit tools

- **PgBadger**: A fast PostgreSQL log analyzer
  - <http://dalibo.github.io/pgbadger/>
- **PgCluu**: PostgreSQL and system performances monitoring and auditing tool
  - <http://pgcluu.darold.net/>
- **Powa**: PostgreSQL Workload Analyzer. Gathers performance stats and provides real-time charts and graphs to help monitor and tune your PostgreSQL servers. Similar to Oracle AWR.
  - <http://dalibo.github.io/powa/>
- **PgObserver**: monitor performance metrics of different PostgreSQL clusters.
  - <http://zalando.github.io/PGObserver/>
- **OPM**: Open PostgreSQL Monitoring. Gather stats, display dashboards and send warnings when something goes wrong. Tend to be similar to Oracle Grid Control.
  - <http://opm.io/>
- **check\_postgres**: script for monitoring various attributes of your database. It is designed to work with Nagios, MRTG, or in standalone scripts.
  - [https://bucardo.org/wiki/Check\\_postgres](https://bucardo.org/wiki/Check_postgres)
- **Pgwatch**: monitor PostgreSQL databases and provides a fast and efficient overview of what is really going on.
  - <http://www.cybertec.at/en/products/pgwatch-cybertec-enterprise-postgresql-monitor/>
- More tools at <https://wiki.postgresql.org/wiki/Monitoring>

# What else ?

- Other OSS tool that can help to migrate
  - Pentaho Kettle
    - <http://community.pentaho.com/projects/data-integration/>
  - JTS Topology Suite for spatial data import
    - <http://www.vividsolutions.com/jts/JTSHome.htm>
  - oracle\_fdw, with Oracle spatial support since 1.1.0
    - [http://pgxn.org/dist/oracle\\_fdw/](http://pgxn.org/dist/oracle_fdw/)
  - Orafce, Oracle's compatibility functions and packages
    - <http://pgxn.org/dist/orafce/>
- Don't forget to migrate your SQL Server database too :-)
  - <https://github.com/dalibo/sqlserver2pgsql>

# You are not alone !

## Community support on Ora2Pg :

- Any PostgreSQL's forum can help
- Github for feature requests
- Github issues and bugs reports
  - <https://github.com/darold/ora2pg>
- Feedback / suggestion to < [gilles@darold.net](mailto:gilles@darold.net) >

## Buy professional help to migrate and commercial support :

- Any PostgreSQL company near from you listed in [http://www.postgresql.org/support/professional\\_support/](http://www.postgresql.org/support/professional_support/)
- Support the community !

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