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# Preface

This guide provides information about Oracle Multimedia OraDAV Driver.

In Oracle Database 11g Release 1 (11.1), the name Oracle *interMedia* was changed to Oracle Multimedia. The feature remains the same, only the name has changed. References to Oracle *interMedia* were replaced with Oracle Multimedia, however some references to Oracle *interMedia* or *interMedia* might still appear in graphical user interfaces, code examples, and related documents in the Documentation Library for Oracle Database 11g.

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This guide is primarily for people who install and configure software in an Oracle environment. You should be familiar with Oracle Database concepts, including basic installation and configuration. In addition, you should be somewhat familiar with Oracle Application Server or Oracle Fusion Middleware concepts.

This guide is also for application developers and database administrators who are interested in storing, retrieving, and manipulating audio, image, video, and heterogeneous media data in a database. Before using this guide, familiarize yourself with the concepts presented in *Oracle Multimedia User's Guide* and *Oracle Multimedia Reference*.

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## Related Documents

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**Note:** For details about installation and configuration, and for information added after the release of this guide, refer to the online `README.txt` file included in this kit.

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For more information about Oracle Multimedia, see the following documents in the Oracle Database Online Documentation Library:

- *Oracle Multimedia Reference*
- *Oracle Multimedia User's Guide*

For more information about using Oracle Multimedia and OraDAV in a development environment, see these Oracle resources:

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Convention	Meaning
<b>boldface</b>	Boldface type indicates graphical user interface elements associated with an action, or terms defined in text or the glossary.
<i>italic</i>	Italic type indicates book titles, emphasis, or placeholder variables for which you supply particular values.
<code>monospace</code>	Monospace type indicates commands within a paragraph, URLs, code in examples, text that appears on the screen, or text that you enter.



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# What's New in Oracle Multimedia OraDAV Driver?

This document summarizes any new features introduced in the current release.

## New Features for Oracle Database 11g Release 11.2

Oracle Database 11g Release 2 (11.2) includes *no* new features for *Oracle Multimedia OraDAV Driver Guide*.



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# Overview of Oracle Multimedia OraDAV Driver

Oracle Multimedia (formerly Oracle *interMedia*) OraDAV driver enables WebDAV access to media content in an Oracle database.

WebDAV is a protocol extension to HTTP 1.1 that supports distributed authoring and versioning. WebDAV enables the Internet to become a transparent read and write medium, where content can be checked out, edited, and checked in to a URL address. The `mod_dav` module is an implementation of the WebDAV specification. The standard implementation of the `mod_dav` module supports read and write access to files.

OraDAV is the Oracle implementation of WebDAV. OraDAV refers to the capabilities available through the `mod_oradav` module, which is an extended implementation of the `mod_dav` module. The `mod_oradav` module can read and write to local files or to an Oracle database. The Oracle database must include an OraDAV driver (a stored procedure package) that the `mod_oradav` module calls to map WebDAV activity to database activity. Essentially, the `mod_oradav` module enables WebDAV clients to connect to an Oracle database, read and write content, and query and lock documents in various schemas. The `mod_oradav` module is integrated with the Oracle HTTP Server, which is the Web server component of Oracle Application Server 10g and Oracle Fusion Middleware.

Each OraDAV driver manages documents in a repository in an Oracle database by providing support for the following WebDAV functions over the Internet:

- Reading and writing documents
- Locking and unlocking documents
- Managing hierarchies of information, including the following:
  - Creating them
  - Populating them
  - Deleting them
- Retrieving properties associated with documents
- Associating properties with specific documents

Oracle Multimedia OraDAV driver consists of a set of PL/SQL packages installed in the `ORDSYS` schema. This driver manages a specific repository, which is called an Oracle Multimedia container (or a **container**) in an Oracle database. This container includes media tables to store media content by default. This container also includes auxiliary tables that enable the driver to provide WebDAV functions on the media content. The Oracle Multimedia container can be created in any user schema.



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# OraDAV Container System Tables and Views

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When you create a container, a set of OraDAV system tables and views is created to provide the infrastructure for the container. The options you choose when creating containers affect the content of the OraDAV system tables and views (see [Section 2.1](#)).

The following SQL procedures are provided for administrators to create and delete containers:

- `orddavcc.sql`
- `orddavdc.sql`

The `orddavcc.sql` procedure creates a container that is used by OraDAV to maintain information and perform operations. The name of each table and view in that container begins with the value of the <Container Name> option.

The `orddavdc.sql` procedure lets you delete a container from the SQL command line.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Options for Creating Oracle Multimedia Containers](#) on page 2-1
- [OraDAV System Tables and Views](#) on page 2-3

## 2.1 Options for Creating Oracle Multimedia Containers

When you create Oracle Multimedia containers, you use the following options.

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**Note:** The logic to create a container backs out of the creation of DDL objects if it cannot complete the entire operation.

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### Container Name

This option is a prefix of 20 characters or less. The value you enter in this option serves as a prefix for all the tables, views, indexes, sequences, triggers, and tablespaces that are created for the container. Choose a container name whose prefix does not cause namespace clashes with other data definition language (DDL) objects that were created in the schema. The default value is `oradav`.

### Container Size

This option is the size of the storage you want to allocate for the content. The value you enter in this option is an integer that represents megabytes of storage. Choose a number that will not exhaust the disk space on the system where Oracle is running. When the container is created, two tablespaces are generated. Twenty percent of the storage allocation is used to create a tablespace that holds the OraDAV auxiliary tables,

including all of the DDL objects created for the container. The remaining eighty percent of the storage allocation is used to create another tablespace that is dedicated to the storage of media. The default value is 1000. The minimum value is 100.

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**Note:** The size of the container dictates how long the `orddavcc.sql` script is to run. If you are creating a large amount of storage, expect a long delay before the script returns control and reports that it has completed.

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### **NoExecute**

This option is supported if you only want to generate a script for creating the container, without executing any DDL. You can execute this script in SQL\*Plus later. Use this option after familiarizing yourself with the system tables created, and when you want to tune the physical storage characteristics of the container tables. The default value is `n`.

### **LogFileDirectory**

This option works in conjunction with the `LogFile` option. It prompts you for a file directory to which the Oracle database has been configured to write using the `UTL_FILE` utility. Logging is done by the server on the server system, rather than by SQL\*Plus or the client. There is no default value.

### **LogFile**

This option works in conjunction with the `LogFileDirectory` option. It enables you to enter a name for the log file when the `LogFileDirectory` option is set. The default value is `container_install.sql`.

This option is a file that captures all DDL generated while creating a container. This is useful for re-creating the container or tuning storage attributes. This option uses `UTL_FILE` directives.

### **Trace Output**

This option enables tracing. Tracing is an alternative way of letting you see the DDL that is generated. Tracing output is raw DDL that is generated, and that is less readable than the log file. Tracing output is a good way to see what was built, or to debug problems with the DDL that is executed.

Entering a value of `y` causes DDL to be generated and sent to `serveroutput`. In addition, you must enter the following command in SQL\*Plus:

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
```

The default value is `n`.

### **Add index.html**

This option lets you verify the successful creation of a container using a Web browser. Entering a value of `y` causes a small `index.html` file to be added to the container that is being created. This `index.html` file can later be deleted or overwritten with any DAV client. The default value is `y`.

### **Use Oracle Multimedia objects**

This option lets you specify the storage method for Oracle Multimedia media files. Entering a value of `y` causes the media files to be stored in three separate tables of

ORDImage, ORDAudio, and ORDVideo objects. Otherwise, all files are stored as BLOBs. The default value is *y*.

### Tablespace datafile directory

This option lets you specify the server directory where you want the tablespace data files for the container to be created. Enter the desired server directory (including the trailing slash, if appropriate). If no server directory is specified, the default location for your database is used.

## 2.2 OraDAV System Tables and Views

[Table 2–1](#) lists each of the OraDAV system tables and views, where *<xxx>* represents the value of the *<Container Name>* option.

**Table 2–1 Container System Tables and Views**

Table or View	Description
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$ACE	Access control entry
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$ASL	Advanced searching and locating
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$AUDIO	Content storage for ORDAudio files, if the value of the <i>&lt;Use Oracle Multimedia objects&gt;</i> option is <i>Y</i>
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$BLOB	Content storage for files other than ORDAudio, ORDVideo, or ORDImage files, if the value of the <i>&lt;Use Oracle Multimedia objects&gt;</i> option is <i>Y</i> . Or, content storage for all media files, if the value of the <i>&lt;Use Oracle Multimedia objects&gt;</i> option is <i>N</i>
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$CONTAIN	Container identifier
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$CONTAINER	Information used internally to identify, maintain, and track the container
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$CONTENT	Lists content to storage mapping
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$IMAGE	Content storage for ORDImage files, if the value of the <i>&lt;Use Oracle Multimedia objects&gt;</i> option is <i>Y</i>
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$LOCKS	DAV locks
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$MIME	MIME mapping and content types Modifications to this table are permitted. For more information about this table, see <a href="#">Section 2.2.1</a> .
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$PATH	Hierarchy of path names
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$PRINCIPAL	User names and authorization information
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$PROP	Property information for resources Modifications to this table are permitted. For more information about this table, see <a href="#">Section 2.2.2</a> .
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$RESOURCE	Convenience view that selects certain columns from <i>xxx</i> \$PATH and <i>xxx</i> \$ASL based on an equijoin of their DOC_ID columns
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$STORE	Table for registering storage areas used in partitioning files by MIME type, if the value of the <i>&lt;Use Oracle Multimedia objects&gt;</i> option is <i>Y</i>
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$TBLOB	Temporary table used for generated content
<i>&lt;xxx&gt;</i> \$VIDEO	Content storage for ORDVideo files, if the value of the <i>&lt;Use Oracle Multimedia objects&gt;</i> option is <i>Y</i>

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**Note:** With the exception of <Container Name>\$MIME and <Container Name>\$PROP, these tables and views are *read-only*.

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## 2.2.1 <Container Name>\$MIME Table

The <Container Name>\$MIME table contains information about MIME mapping and content types. Modifications to this table are permitted.

[Table 2–2](#) describes the columns in the <Container Name>\$MIME table.

**Table 2–2 Columns in the <Container Name>\$MIME Table**

Column Name	Data Type	Explanation
EXTENSION	VARCHAR2(30)	A file extension typically used by files of a specified content type. The period must be included in the extension. For example: .jpg
PREFERRED_EXT	VARCHAR2(1)	The value is T if EXTENSION is the file extension to be used by OraDAV when generating files of the associated content type; the value is F if EXTENSION is not to be used in this case. This value is most important when a content type is associated with multiple extensions. For example, if image/jpeg is associated with the .jpg, .jpeg, and .jpe extensions, you must specify one with PREFERRED_EXT as T.
CONTENTTYPE	VARCHAR2(80)	MIME type typically associated with a file with the extension. For a given CONTENTTYPE, there must be one (and only one) PREFERRED_EXT set to T. (See the explanation for the PREFERRED_EXT column name.)
ANNOLEVEL	VARCHAR2(1)	Degree to which data for the content type is to be annotated: D (detailed) or S (summary). Ignored if the ANNOROUTINE column is null.
ANNOROUTINE	VARCHAR2(108)	Annotation routine: the name of the PL/SQL procedure to be called to perform the annotation. The name of the annotation routine should be qualified with the schema and package name, if necessary. The proper privileges and access rights must have been granted to enable the database schema in which the container was created to execute the annotation routine.
STORAGE_AREA	VARCHAR2(30)	Storage identifier, corresponding to a STORAGE_AREA column value in the xxx\$STORE table (described in <a href="#">Table 2–1</a> ). For example, if the STORAGE_AREA value for image/jpeg is IMAGE, then all files of this CONTENTTYPE, at file creation time, are inserted and stored in the storage area with storage identifier IMAGE.

The ANNOLEVEL and ANNOROUTINE values are not used unless the ORAAAnnotate parameter is set to TRUE in the <Location> directive in the Oracle HTTP Server OraDAV configuration file. The ORAAAnnotate parameter controls the automatic extraction and storage of properties from resources. If this parameter is set



to TRUE, an OraDAV-enabled Oracle HTTP Server performs the following additional actions whenever a resource is added to a collection:

- It selects the following from the <Container Name>\$MIME table in the container: the name of the PL/SQL procedure to call to perform the annotation, and annotation level (either summary or detailed).
- It invokes the annotation routine, passing the following parameters: an XML string (described in [Section 3.4](#)) representing the context parameter, the OraDAV document ID for the resource being annotated, the BLOB handle for the resource's data, and the annotation level (S for summary, D for detailed). The annotation routine is expected to parse attributes from the resource's data and store them as properties in the container's <Container Name>\$PROP table (described in [Section 2.2.2](#)). If the annotation level is S, all the properties are concatenated into one XML string and stored as a single property in the <Container Name>\$PROP table. If the annotation level is D, each property is stored as its own row in the <Container Name>\$PROP table.

The following example displays a row from the <Container Name>\$MIME table. (The output is slightly reformatted for readability.)

```
SQL> SELECT * FROM test$mime WHERE extension='.jpg';
```

```
EXTENSION  PREFERRED_EXT  CONTENTTYPE  ANNOLEVEL  ANNOROUTINE  STORAGE_AREA
```

```
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.jpg        T              image/jpeg  D              IMAGE
```

You can modify the <Container Name>\$MIME table to perform any of the following tasks:

- Add rows to support additional content types.
- Change the storage areas used for newly added objects for certain content types. (Existing objects remain in their current storage areas.)
- Add or change the annotation routine to be called for a particular content type.

## 2.2.2 <Container Name>\$PROP Table

The <Container Name>\$PROP table contains information about resource properties. Modifications to this table are permitted.

[Table 2–3](#) describes the columns in the <Container Name>\$PROP table.

**Table 2–3 Columns in the <Container Name>\$PROP Table**

Column Name	Data Type	Explanation
DOC_ID	NUMBER(38)	Internal document identifier. DOC_ID values are unique and never reused.
NAMESPACE	VARCHAR2(538)	XML namespace associated with this property. Used to avoid ambiguity if there are duplicate TAG values.
TAG	VARCHAR2(100)	Name assigned to the property. Used with NAMESPACE to identify the property.
LANGUAGE	VARCHAR2(100)	Language in which the property is written.
DESCRIPTION	VARCHAR2(4000)	Additional information (if any) about the property.

**Table 2–3 (Cont.) Columns in the <Container Name>\$PROP Table**

Column Name	Data Type	Explanation
DEADORLIVE	VARCHAR2(1)	A value of D represents a <b>dead</b> (static) property. A value of L represents a <b>live</b> (dynamic) property. Dead properties are not derived directly from the document; they are created and maintained by the client. Live properties are derived directly from the document's content; they are maintained by the server, and most cannot be modified by the client.
READONLY	VARCHAR2(1)	Indicates whether the property is read-only: T (True) or F (False).
PROPV_TYPE	VARCHAR2(30)	Data type for the property: VARCHAR2, DATE, NUMBER, or CLOB.
VAL_VARCHAR2	VARCHAR2(4000)	If PROPV_TYPE is VARCHAR2, the value for the property.
VAL_CLOB	CLOB	If PROPV_TYPE is CLOB, the value for the property.
VAL_DATE	DATE	If PROPV_TYPE is DATE, the value for the property.
VAL_NUMBER	NUMBER	If PROPV_TYPE is NUMBER, the value for the property.

It is appropriate for writers of annotation routines to make insertions into the <Container Name>\$PROP table (but not into other container tables, with the possible exception of the <Container Name>\$MIME table).

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**Note:** If a document is being overwritten, all existing live properties are deleted before an annotation routine is called.

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## OraDAV Programming Interface

OraDAV provides PL/SQL methods (including procedures and functions) that let you **expose** Oracle Multimedia objects. Exposing objects makes them visible as files in a container for access through a Web browser. When you expose an object, it is not actually copied into the container; instead, only a reference to the content is inserted into the container. Oracle Multimedia OraDAV driver does not support DAV methods that modify exposed objects.

These PL/SQL methods are in a package named DAV\_PUBLIC under the ORDSYS schema. By using these methods, you can expose content from existing tables that contain columns of type ORDImage, ORDAudio, ORDVideo, ORDDoc, or BLOB.

These tables can be in different schemas from the one containing your OraDAV container, as long as the container's schema is granted the proper access to the tables. (See [Chapter 2](#) for information about containers.)

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**Note:** Do not use methods in the DAV\_PUBLIC package on any of the container system tables and views described in [Chapter 2](#). Use these methods only for objects stored in tables other than the container system tables and views.

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This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Options for Exposing Content](#) on page 3-1
- [DAV Methods on Exposed Data](#) on page 3-3
- [Duplicate File Behavior Options](#) on page 3-4
- [Context Parameter](#) on page 3-4

### 3.1 Options for Exposing Content

You can expose a single object at a time, or all objects in a column:

- The [Expose\\_Resource\\_By\\_Rowid](#) procedure exposes the single object in a specified column in the row with the associated ROWID.
- The [Expose\\_OracleMultimedia\\_Column](#) and [Expose\\_Blob\\_Column](#) procedures expose all objects in a specified column.

The following sections describe examples of both options for exposing objects. See [Chapter 4](#) for reference information about these procedures.

The examples in this chapter as well as those in [Chapter 4](#) assume that you work for a real estate firm that wants to make pictures and descriptions of houses for sale available at its Web site. Your database and system setup includes the following:

- A container named `mywebsite` has been created in schema `SCOTT` (see the creating container example in the `README.txt` file).
- User `REALTOR` has a table called `HOUSES`.
- The `HOUSES` table has a column called `HOUSE_ID` that uniquely identifies each row.
- The `HOUSES` table has a column called `HOUSE_PIX`, which is of type `ORDImage`.
- The `HOUSES` table has a column called `HOUSE_DOC`, which is of type `BLOB`.
- The `ORDImage.setProperties()` method has been invoked such that the `contentLength` and `contentType` attributes of the `ORDImage` objects are set.
- User `REALTOR` has granted `SELECT` access on `HOUSES` to `SCOTT`.
- An OraDAV-enabled Oracle HTTP Server is running on host `mywebserver`.
- That Oracle HTTP Server has been configured with an OraDAV-enabled location called `/oradav`.

To run these examples, connect to the database as `SCOTT`.

### 3.1.1 Example: Exposing a Single Object

[Example 3–1](#) extracts information to uniquely identify the desired object and exposes it, associating it with a URL.

#### ***Example 3–1 Exposing a Single Object***

```
DECLARE
    ldocid INTEGER;
    loblen INTEGER;
    lrowid UROWID;
BEGIN
    SELECT rowid,DBMS_LOB.GETLENGTH(HOUSE_DOC)
        INTO lrowid, loblen
        FROM REALTOR.HOUSES
        WHERE HOUSE_ID = 1;
    ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.expose_resource_by_rowid (
        ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.generate_ctx('mywebsite'),
        'REALTOR',
        'HOUSES',
        'HOUSE_DOC',
        'BLOB',
        lrowid,
        '/external_collection',
        'house',
        '.html',
        'text/html',
        loblen,
        SYSDATE,
        ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.DUPE_MODE_FAIL,
        ldocid);
    COMMIT;
END;
/
```

Upon successful execution of the code in this example, the following URL returns the Web page from REALTOR.HOUSES where the HOUSE\_ID is 1 (assuming that httpd.conf contains <Location /oradav>):

`http://mywebserver/oradav/external_collection/house.html`

### 3.1.2 Example: Exposing All Objects in a Column

If you want to expose all objects in a multimedia column and if it seems too tedious to expose the objects one at a time, you can expose all of the objects in the column by using the [Expose\\_OracleMultimedia\\_Column](#) procedure (for ORDImage, ORDAudio, ORDVideo, or ORDDoc data) or the [Expose\\_Blob\\_Column](#) procedure (for BLOB data).

[Example 3-2](#) exposes all the images in the HOUSE\_PIX column.

#### **Example 3-2 Exposing All Objects in a Column**

```
DECLARE
BEGIN
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.expose_OracleMultimedia_column(
    ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.generate_ctx('mywebsite'),
    'REALTOR',
    'HOUSES',
    'HOUSE_PIX',
    'HOUSE_ID',
    NULL,
    NULL,
    NULL,
    1,
    ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.DUPE_MODE_FAIL);
COMMIT;
END;
/
```

Upon successful execution of the code in this example, all house pictures in REALTOR.HOUSES can be returned by URLs that all start with `http://mywebserver/oradav/REALTOR/HOUSES/HOUSE_PIX`. The remainder of each URL is the value of the HOUSE\_ID column for that house. For example, the following URL returns the image from REALTOR.HOUSES where the HOUSE\_ID is 1:

`http://mywebserver/oradav/REALTOR/HOUSES/HOUSE_PIX/1.jpg`

## 3.2 DAV Methods on Exposed Data

The OraDAV implementation allows some DAV protocol methods on exposed data and disallows other methods, as shown in [Table 3-1](#).

**Table 3-1 DAV Methods on Exposed Data**

Method	Allowed?
GET	Yes
COPY	Yes, as long as the destination is not an exposed collection
PROPFIND	Yes (but you can restrict massive collections by using <Limit> in the httpd.conf file)
OPTIONS	Yes
DELETE	Yes (The reference to the data is removed.)

**Table 3–1 (Cont.) DAV Methods on Exposed Data**

Method	Allowed?
MKCOL	No
PROPPATCH	Yes
PUT	No
LOCK	No
MOVE	No
POST	No
UNLOCK	Yes (but it always fails because LOCK is not allowed)

If you are using a client on exposed data and a command or operation fails, it may be because the application's command or operation maps to (is implemented using) a DAV method that OraDAV does allow to be used on exposed data.

For more information about DAV methods, see RFC2518 (*HTTP Extensions for Distributed Authoring -- WEBDAV*).

### 3.3 Duplicate File Behavior Options

Procedures that expose a resource or a column have a `p_dupe_behavior` parameter that controls the behavior when a call to the procedure would result in a duplicate file being added to the collection. For example, if the procedure attempts to expose a file named `emp100id.jpg` and a file named `emp100id.jpg` is already exposed at the specified location (path), the value of the `p_dupe_behavior` parameter determines how this condition is handled.

Table 3–2 lists the currently supported values for the `dupe_behavior` parameter.

**Table 3–2 `dupe_behavior` Parameter Values**

Value	Explanation
DUPE_MODE_FAIL	Any duplicate file names result in an exception. Note that if the <code>p_add_triggers</code> parameter is set to TRUE, the trigger could also generate an exception from a simple SQL INSERT or UPDATE statement. Your application must be prepared to handle these exceptions.

See the descriptions for the `p_dupe_behavior` parameter as well as the usage notes for the [Expose\\_Blob\\_Column](#), [Expose\\_OracleMultimedia\\_Column](#), and [Expose\\_Resource\\_By\\_Rowid](#) procedures.

### 3.4 Context Parameter

A context parameter is required for enabling annotation and exposing or unexposing data. This parameter is a string in XML format. Because almost every OraDAV routine operates on a container, the context parameter must, at minimum, specify the container name, as shown in [Example 3–3](#).

**Example 3–3 Minimal Context Parameter**

```
<ORADAV>
  <DAVPARAM>
    <ORACONTAINERNAME>sales</ORACONTAINERNAME>
```

```
</DAVPARAM>  
</ORADAV>
```

For many procedure calls, a minimal context parameter string such as the one shown in this example is sufficient. You can use the [Generate\\_Ctx](#) function to generate a minimal context string.





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## OraDAV Driver API Reference

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This chapter contains reference information for the methods (procedures and functions) in the ORDSYS.DAV\_PUBLIC PL/SQL package. These methods are presented in alphabetical order.

Before you use the methods in this package, be sure you understand the concepts and guidelines in [Chapter 3](#), which describes the OraDAV programming interface.

[Table 4–1](#) lists the methods. The rest of this chapter presents detailed reference information for each method.

**Table 4–1 OraDAV Methods**

Procedure or Function	Description
<a href="#">Cversion</a>	Function that returns the container version number (also called the physical version number).
<a href="#">Expose_Blob_Column</a>	Procedure that makes objects in a column of type BLOB visible by exposing the content of each object as a file with an associated URL.
<a href="#">Expose_OracleMultimedia_Column</a>	Procedure that makes objects in a column of type ORDImage, ORDAudio, ORDVideo, or ORDDoc visible by exposing the content of each object as a file with an associated URL.
<a href="#">Expose_Resource_By_Rowid</a>	Procedure that makes a single object visible (associated with a specified ROWID) by exposing its content as a file with an associated URL.
<a href="#">Generate_Ctx</a>	Function that returns an XML string with minimal context information for the specified container.
<a href="#">Unexpose_Column</a>	Procedure that removes the visibility of objects in a column by reversing the effect of the <a href="#">Expose_Blob_Column</a> or <a href="#">Expose_OracleMultimedia_Column</a> procedure.
<a href="#">Unexpose_Resource_By_Rowid</a>	Procedure that removes the visibility of a single object (associated with a specified ROWID) by reversing the effect of the <a href="#">Expose_Resource_By_Rowid</a> procedure.
<a href="#">Version</a>	Function that returns the release (version) number of the DAV_PUBLIC package.

## Cversion

### Format

ORDSYS.DAV\_PUBLIC.Cversion() RETURN VARCHAR2;

### Description

Returns the container (or physical) version number.

### Parameters

None.

### Usage Notes

This function returns a number describing the container (physical) version that the Oracle Multimedia OraDAV driver supports.

Contrast this function with the [Version](#) function, which returns the package version number.

### Examples

The following example returns the container (physical) version number.

```
SELECT ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Cversion FROM DUAL;
```

```
  CVERSION
-----
         1.5
```

---

## Expose\_Blob\_Column

### Format

```
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Expose_Blob_Column(  
    p_ctx          IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_schema_name  IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_table_name   IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_media_column_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_date_column_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_mime_column_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_default_mimetype IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_key_column_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_key_prefix   IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_key_suffix   IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_parent_path  IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_add_triggers IN NUMBER(38),  
    p_dupe_behavior IN NUMBER(38));
```

### Description

Makes objects in a column of type BLOB visible by exposing the content of each object as a file with an associated URL.

### Parameters

**p\_ctx**

Context string for the container on which to operate. (See [Section 3.4](#) for detailed information about the context.)

**p\_schema\_name**

Name of the schema containing the table with the column to be exposed.

**p\_table\_name**

Name of the table or view containing the column to be exposed. Must not be one of the container system tables or views described in [Section 2.2](#).

**p\_media\_column\_name**

Name of the BLOB column to be exposed.

**p\_date\_column\_name**

Name of the column of type DATE that contains the last-modified date for the data in the BLOB column. If specified as `null`, `SYSDATE` (the current system date and time) is used.

**p\_mime\_column\_name**

Name of the column in the `p_table_name` parameter that identifies the MIME type. If specified as `null`, the `p_default_mimetype` parameter is used.

**p\_default\_mimetype**

The MIME type to be used if the value of the `p_mime_column_name` parameter is `null` or if the data selected from the column is `null`.

**p\_key\_column\_name**

Name of the column in the `p_table_name` parameter that has unique values to be used as the base file names and the final part of each URL.

**p\_key\_prefix**

Prefix to be used in the base file names and the final part of each URL. For example, if the value of the `p_key_prefix` parameter is `emp`, the value of the `p_key_suffix` parameter is `id`, and a row includes a base column value of `100`, the resulting file name is `emp100id.jpg` (if the MIME type is `image/jpeg`).

**p\_key\_suffix**

Suffix to be used in the base file names and the final part of each URL. (The suffix is not a file extension such as `.jpg` or `.wav`.) For example, if the value of the `p_key_prefix` parameter is `emp`, the value of the `key_suffix` parameter is `id`, and a row includes a base column value of `100`, the resulting file name is `emp100id.jpg` (if the MIME type is `image/jpeg`).

**p\_parent\_path**

Path of the folder to which the column is to be mapped. If specified as `null`, the default is a path in the following format:

```
/<p_schema_name>/<p_table_name>/<p_media_column_name>/
```

**p\_add\_triggers**

A value that determines whether triggers are added. If the value of this parameter is `0`, no triggers are added; otherwise, if the value is `1`, `INSERT`, `UPDATE`, and `DELETE` triggers are added to the `p_table_name` parameter so that the contents of the WebDAV client are automatically changed to reflect the actions on the underlying table. The default value is `0`.

**p\_dupe\_behavior**

Action to be taken if a call to the procedure would result in a duplicate file being added to the collection. For more information and a list of acceptable values, see [Section 3.3](#).

## Usage Notes

Before using this procedure, be sure you understand the concepts, guidelines, and examples in [Section 3.1](#).

The following guidelines apply to the folder `parent_path`:

- If the path already exists, it must point to an empty folder that is not locked. For example, if you specify the path `/external_data/my_blobs`, and the subfolder `my_blobs` already exists in the folder `external_data`, the subfolder `my_blobs` must not contain any files or folders and it must not be locked.
- If the path does not exist, its parent folder must exist and the parent folder must not be locked. Using the preceding example, if the subfolder `my_blobs` does not exist, the folder `external_data` must exist and it must not be locked.

For information about DAV methods that are allowed and disallowed on exposed data, see [Table 3-1](#).

To remove the visibility of a column that had been exposed by this procedure, use the [Unexpose\\_Column](#) procedure.

## Examples

The following example exposes all the images in the HOUSE\_DOC column. This example uses the same set of assumptions as those that are used in [Section 3.1](#).

```
DECLARE
BEGIN
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Expose_Blob_Column(
  ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Generate_Ctx('mywebsite'),
  'REALTOR',
  'HOUSES',
  'HOUSE_DOC',
  NULL,
  NULL,
  'text/html',
  'HOUSE_ID',
  NULL,
  NULL,
  NULL,
  0,
  ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.DUPE_MODE_FAIL);
COMMIT;
END;
/
```

Upon successful execution of the code in this example, all house descriptions in REALTOR.HOUSES can be returned by URLs that start with `http://mywebserver/oradav/REALTOR/HOUSES/HOUSE_DOC/`. The remainder of each URL is the value of the HOUSE\_ID column for that house. For example, the following URL returns the description from REALTOR.HOUSES where the value of HOUSE\_ID is 1:

```
http://mywebserver/oradav/REALTOR/HOUSES/HOUSE_DOC/1.htm
```

## Expose\_OracleMultimedia\_Column

---

### Format

```
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Expose_OracleMultimedia_Column(  
    p_ctx          IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_schema_name  IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_table_name   IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_media_column_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_key_column_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_key_prefix   IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_key_suffix   IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_parent_path  IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_add_triggers IN NUMBER(38),  
    p_dupe_behavior IN NUMBER(38));
```

### Description

Makes objects in a column of type `ORDImage`, `ORDAudio`, `ORDVideo`, or `ORDDoc` visible by exposing the content of each object as a file with an associated URL.

### Parameters

**p\_ctx**

Context string for the container on which to operate. (See [Section 3.4](#) for detailed information about the context.)

**p\_schema\_name**

Name of the schema containing the table with the column to be exposed.

**p\_table\_name**

Name of the table or view containing the column to be exposed. Must not be one of the container system tables or views described in [Section 2.2](#).

**p\_media\_column\_name**

Name of the column of type `ORDImage`, `ORDAudio`, `ORDVideo`, or `ORDDoc` to be exposed.

**p\_key\_column\_name**

Name of the column in the `p_table_name` parameter that has unique values to be used as the base file names and the final part of each URL.

**p\_key\_prefix**

Prefix to be used in the base file names and the final part of each URL. For example, if the value of the `p_key_prefix` parameter is `emp`, the value of the `p_key_suffix` parameter is `id`, and a row includes a base column value of `100`, the resulting file name is `emp100id.jpg` (if the MIME type is `image/jpeg`).

**p\_key\_suffix**

Suffix to be used in the base file names and the final part of each URL. (The suffix is not a file extension such as .jpg or .wav.) For example, if the value of the p\_key\_prefix parameter is emp, the value of the p\_key\_suffix parameter is id, and a row includes a base column value of 100, the resulting file name is emp100id.jpg (if the MIME type is image/jpeg).

**p\_parent\_path**

Path of the folder to which the column is to be mapped. If specified as null, the default is a path in the following format:

```
/ <p_schema_name> / <p_table_name> / <p_media_column_name> /
```

**p\_add\_triggers**

A value that determines whether triggers are added. If the value of this parameter is 0, no triggers are added; otherwise, if the value is 1, INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE triggers are added to the p\_table\_name parameter so that the contents of the WebDAV client are automatically changed to reflect the actions on the underlying table. The default value is 0.

**p\_dupe\_behavior**

Action to be taken if a call to the procedure would result in a duplicate file being added to the collection. For more information and a list of acceptable values, see [Section 3.3](#).

## Usage Notes

Before using this procedure, be sure you understand the concepts, guidelines, and examples in [Section 3.1](#).

For information about DAV methods that are allowed and disallowed on exposed data, see [Table 3-1](#).

To remove the visibility of a column that had been exposed by this procedure, use the [Unexpose\\_Column](#) procedure.

## Examples

The following example exposes all the images in the HOUSE\_PIX column. This example uses the same set of assumptions as those that are used in [Section 3.1](#).

```
DECLARE
BEGIN
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.expose_OracleMultimedia_column(
  ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Generate_Ctx('mywebsite'),
  'REALTOR',
  'HOUSES',
  'HOUSE_PIX',
  'HOUSE_ID',
  NULL,
  NULL,
  NULL,
  1,
  ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.DUPE_MODE_FAIL);
COMMIT;
END;
/
```

Upon successful execution of the code in this example, all house pictures in REALTOR.HOUSES can be returned by URLs that start with

`http://mywebserver/oradav/REALTOR/HOUSES/HOUSE_PIX/`. The remainder of each URL is the value of the `HOUSE_ID` column for that house. For example, the following URL returns the image from `REALTOR.HOUSES` where the value of `HOUSE_ID` is 1:

`http://mywebserver/oradav/REALTOR/HOUSES/HOUSE_PIX/1.jpg`



## Expose\_Resource\_By\_Rowid

### Format

```
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Expose_Resource_By_Rowid(  
    p_ctx      IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_schema_name  IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_table_name  IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_value_colname IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_value_coltype IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_prowid     IN UROWID,  
    p_parent_path IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_base_file_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_extension   IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_mimetype    IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_content_length IN INTEGER,  
    p_creation_date IN DATE,  
    p_dupe_behavior IN NUMBER(38),  
    p_docid      OUT NUMBER(38));
```

### Description

Makes a single object (associated with a specified ROWID) visible by exposing its content as a file with an associated URL.

### Parameters

**p\_ctx**

Context string for the container on which to operate. (See [Section 3.4](#) for detailed information about the context.)

**p\_schema\_name**

Name of the schema containing the table with the object to be exposed.

**p\_table\_name**

Name of the table or view containing the object to be exposed. Must not be one of the container system tables or views described in [Section 2.2](#).

**p\_value\_colname**

Name of the column containing the object to be exposed.

**p\_value\_coltype**

Data type of the p\_value\_colname parameter (for example, BLOB or ORDDImage).

**p\_prowid**

The ROWID of the row in the p\_table\_name parameter to be exposed.

**p\_parent\_path**

Path of the folder to which the object is to be mapped. If specified as `null`, the default is a path in the following format:

```
/< p_schema_name>/< p_table_name>/< p_media_column_name>/
```

**p\_base\_file\_name**

Name to be used for the base file in the final part of the URL. For example, if the value of the `p_base_file_name` parameter is `123_main_street` and the extension is `.jpg`, the resulting file name is `123_main_street.jpg`.

**p\_extension**

String to be used as the file extension in the final part of the URL. For example, if the value of the `p_base_file_name` parameter is `123_main_street` and the extension is `.jpg`, the resulting file name is `123_main_street.jpg`.

**p\_mimetype**

MIME type of the object (for example: `image/jpeg`). If specified as `null`, the MIME type associated with the extension is used. If no MIME type is associated with the extension, `application/unknown` is used.

**p\_content\_length**

Length, in bytes, of the content to be exposed.

**p\_creation\_date**

Creation date of the file. If specified as `null`, `SYSDATE` (the current system date and time) is used.

**p\_dupe\_behavior**

Action to be taken if a call to the procedure would result in a duplicate file being added to the collection. For more information and a list of acceptable values, see [Section 3.3](#).

**p\_docid**

The internal document ID generated by OraDAV.

## Usage Notes

Before using this procedure, be sure you understand the concepts, guidelines, and examples in [Section 3.1](#).

For information about DAV methods that are allowed and disallowed on exposed data, see [Table 3–1](#).

To remove the visibility of a resource that had been exposed by this procedure, use the [Unexpose\\_Resource\\_By\\_Rowid](#) procedure.

## Examples

The following example exposes the object in the `HOUSE_DOC` column, where the value of `HOUSE_ID` is 1. This example uses the same set of assumptions as those that are used in [Section 3.1](#).

```
DECLARE
    ldoid INTEGER;
    loblen INTEGER;
    lrowid UROWID;
BEGIN
    SELECT rowid,DBMS_LOB.GETLENGTH(HOUSE_DOC)
           INTO lrowid, loblen
```

```
        FROM REALTOR.HOUSES
        WHERE HOUSE_ID = 1;
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.expose_resource_by_rowid (
    ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.generate_ctx('mywebsite'),
    'REALTOR',
    'HOUSES',
    'HOUSE_DOC',
    'BLOB',
    lrowid,
    '/external_collection',
    'house',
    '.html',
    'text/html',
    loblen,
    SYSDATE,
    ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.DUPE_MODE_FAIL,
    ldocid);
COMMIT;
END;
/
```

Upon successful execution of the code in this example, the following URL returns the Web page from REATOR.HOUSES where the value of HOUSE\_ID is 1:

[http://mywebserver/oradav/external\\_collection/house.html](http://mywebserver/oradav/external_collection/house.html)

## Generate\_Ctx

---

### Format

```
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Generate_Ctx(  
    p_container_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    ) RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Description

Returns an XML string with minimal context information for the specified container.

### Parameters

**p\_container\_name**

Name of the container for which to generate minimal context information.

### Usage Notes

This function can be used to generate a minimal context string for input to procedures that expose data.

For more information about container context, including examples of the XML string, see [Section 3.4](#).

### Examples

The following example returns the container context information. (In the actual output, the entire XML tag is on one line, with no space or line break.)

```
SELECT ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Generate_Ctx('mywebsite') FROM DUAL;
```

```
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.GENERATE_CTX('MYWEBSITE')
```

```
-----  
  
<ORADAV><DAVPARAM><ORACONTAINERNAME>mywebsite</ORACONTAINERNAME><ORAEXCEPTION>  
  RAISE</ORAEXCEPTION></DAVPARAM></ORADAV>
```

## Unexpose\_Column

### Format

```
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Unexpose_Column(
    p_ctx          IN VARCHAR2,
    p_schema_name  IN VARCHAR2,
    p_table_name   IN VARCHAR2,
    p_media_column_name IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Description

Removes the visibility of objects in a column by reversing the effect of the [Expose\\_Blob\\_Column](#) or [Expose\\_OracleMultimedia\\_Column](#) procedure.

### Parameters

#### **p\_ctx**

Context string for the container on which to operate. (See [Section 3.4](#) for detailed information about the context.)

#### **p\_schema\_name**

Name of the schema containing the table with the column to be unexposed.

#### **p\_table\_name**

Name of the table or view containing the column to be unexposed. Must not be one of the container system tables or views described in [Section 2.2](#).

#### **p\_media\_column\_name**

Name of the column containing the objects to be unexposed.

### Usage Notes

Before using this procedure, be sure you understand the concepts, guidelines, and examples in [Section 3.1](#).

### Examples

The following example unexposes the images in the HOUSE\_PIX column. This example uses the same set of assumptions as those that are used in [Section 3.1](#).

```
DECLARE
BEGIN
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Unexpose_Column(
    ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Generate_Ctx('mywebsite'),
    'REALTOR',
    'HOUSES',
    'HOUSE_PIX');

COMMIT;
END;
/
```

Upon successful execution of the code in this example, the images from REALTOR.HOUSES that were previously exposed are no longer available through the URL that was assigned.

## Unexpose\_Resource\_By\_Rowid

### Format

```
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Unexpose_Resource_By_Rowid(  
    p_ctx      IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_schema_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_table_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_column_name IN VARCHAR2,  
    p_rowid     IN UROWID);
```

### Description

Removes the visibility of a single object (associated with a specified ROWID) by reversing the effect of the [Expose\\_Resource\\_By\\_Rowid](#) procedure.

### Parameters

**p\_ctx**

Context string for the container on which to operate. (See [Section 3.4](#) for detailed information about the context.)

**p\_schema\_name**

Name of the schema containing the table with the column to be unexposed.

**p\_table\_name**

Name of the table or view containing the object to be unexposed. Must not be one of the container system tables or views described in [Section 2.2](#).

**p\_column\_name**

Name of the column containing the object to be unexposed.

**p\_rowid**

The ROWID of the row in the p\_table\_name parameter containing the object to be unexposed.

### Usage Notes

Before using this procedure, be sure you understand the concepts, guidelines, and examples in [Section 3.1](#).

### Examples

The following example unexposes the description in the HOUSE\_DOC column, where the value of HOUSE\_ID value is 1. This example uses the same set of assumptions as those that are used in [Section 3.1](#).

```
DECLARE  
    v_rowid UROWID;  
BEGIN  
    SELECT ROWID, INTO v_rowid FROM REALTOR.HOUSES  
        WHERE HOUSE_ID = '1';  
  
    ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Unexpose_Resource_By_Rowid(
```

```
ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Generate_Ctx('mywebsite'),  
  'REALTOR',  
  'HOUSES',  
  'HOUSE_DOC',  
  v_rowid);  
  
COMMIT;  
END;  
/
```

Upon successful execution of the code in this example, the description from REALTOR.HOUSES with HOUSE\_ID = '1' that was previously exposed is no longer available through the URL that was assigned.



## Version

### Format

ORDSYS.DAV\_PUBLIC.Version() RETURN VARCHAR2;

### Description

Returns the release (version) number of the DAV\_PUBLIC package.

### Parameters

None.

### Usage Notes

Contrast this function with the [Cversion](#) function, which returns the container (physical) version number.

### Examples

The following example returns the DAV\_PUBLIC package version number.

```
SELECT ORDSYS.DAV_PUBLIC.Version FROM DUAL;
```

```
VERSION
```

```
-----  
1.0.3.3.0-0019
```



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