

Key Points:

1. Parameterized Query:

- A `PreparedStatement` uses placeholders (?) in the SQL query to represent values.
- Example:

```
SELECT * FROM Books WHERE Book_No = ? AND Book_Name = ?;
```

- This allows you to pass user inputs (data) separately without embedding them directly into the query.

2. SQL Injection Prevention:

- By separating query structure and input, `PreparedStatement` ensures that user-supplied values are treated strictly as data, not executable SQL code.
- The database engine automatically escapes special characters (e.g., quotes), neutralizing injection attempts.
- Example Injection Attempt: `Book_Name = 'a' OR '1'='1'`
 - With `PreparedStatement`, this input will be treated as a literal string, not as part of the SQL logic.

3. Precompilation:

- The query is precompiled by the database engine when the `PreparedStatement` is created.
- This means the database analyzes, parses, and optimizes the query once, and you can execute it multiple times with different values efficiently.

4. Code Reusability:

- Once a `PreparedStatement` is created, it can be reused with different parameters without needing to rewrite or reconstruct the query.
- Example:

```
pstmt.setInt(1, 101);  
pstmt.setString(2, "Java Basics");  
pstmt.executeQuery();  
  
pstmt.setInt(1, 102);  
pstmt.setString(2, "Advanced Java");  
pstmt.executeQuery();
```

5. Type-Safe Parameter Binding:

- You explicitly bind data types to the placeholders (?) using methods like `setInt()`, `setString()`, etc. This ensures that the data matches the expected type in the database schema.

6. Improved Readability and Debugging:

- Instead of concatenating user inputs into a query string, you use a clean, readable SQL template.

- Debugging tools can show the complete query with parameter values substituted, making it easier to trace issues.
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