# Lab 04: Dynamic SQL

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# Introduction

This lab aims to help students get used to dynamic sql and related issues in Transact-SQL.

# Lab Activities

#### **EXEC** Command

```
DECLARE @s AS NVARCHAR(200);

SET @s = N'Davis'; -- originates in user input

DECLARE @sql AS NVARCHAR(1000);

SET @sql = N'SELECT empid, firstname, lastname, hiredate
FROM HR.Employees WHERE lastname = N''' + @s + N''';';

PRINT @sql; -- for debug purposes
EXEC (@sql);
-- end snippet exec_example

GO
```

#### **SQL** Injection

```
--SQL injection
29
30
   -- start snippet sql_injection_01
  DECLARE @s AS NVARCHAR(200);
32
  SET @s = N'abc'' UNION ALL
   SELECT object_id, SCHEMA_NAME(schema_id), name, NULL
   FROM sys.objects WHERE type IN (''U'', ''V'');--';
   DECLARE @sql AS NVARCHAR(1000);
   SET @sql = N'SELECT empid, firstname, lastname, hiredate
   FROM HR.Employees WHERE lastname = N''' + @s + N''';';
40
   PRINT @sql; -- for debug purposes
   EXEC (@sql);
   -- end snippet sql_injection_01
43
44
45
   -- start snippet sql_injection_02
   DECLARE @s AS NVARCHAR(200);
   SET @s = N'abc'' UNION ALL
   SELECT NULL, name, NULL, NULL
49
   FROM sys.columns WHERE object_id = 1141579105; --';
51
  DECLARE @sql AS NVARCHAR(1000);
   SET @sql = N'SELECT empid, firstname, lastname, hiredate
53
   FROM HR. Employees WHERE lastname = N''' + @s + N'''; ';
55
  PRINT @sql; -- for debug purposes
  EXEC (@sql);
```

```
-- end snippet sql_injection_02
58
59
60
   -- start snippet sql_injection_03
62 DECLARE @s AS NVARCHAR(200);
  SET @s = N'abc'' UNION ALL
  SELECT NULL, companyname, phone, NULL
   FROM Sales.Customers; --';
66
  DECLARE @sql AS NVARCHAR(1000);
   SET @sql = N'SELECT empid, firstname, lastname, hiredate
   FROM HR. Employees WHERE lastname = N''' + @s + N'''; ';
70
PRINT @sql; -- for debug purposes
72 EXEC (@sql);
   -- end snippet sql injection 03
73
   GO
74
```

#### sp\_executesql Procedure

```
-- sp_executesql
78
   _____
80
  -- Input Parameters
  -- start snippet sp_executesql_example
  DECLARE @s AS NVARCHAR(200);
  SET @s = N'Davis';
84
  DECLARE @sql AS NVARCHAR(1000);
86
   SET @sql = 'SELECT empid, firstname, lastname, hiredate
   FROM HR. Employees WHERE lastname = @lastname; ';
88
89
   PRINT @sql; -- For debug purposes
90
91
  EXEC sp_executesql
92
   @stmt = @sql,
93
     Oparams = N'@lastname AS NVARCHAR(200)',
     @lastname = @s;
  -- end snippet sp_executesql_example
```

#### **Dynamic Search Conditions**

```
99
    -- Dynamic search conditions
100
101
102
    -- Create tables and indices
103
    SET NOCOUNT ON;
104
    USE tempdb;
    GO
106
    IF OBJECT_ID(N'dbo.Orders', N'U') IS NOT NULL DROP TABLE dbo.Orders;
108
109
110
    SELECT orderid, custid, empid, orderdate,
    CAST('A' AS CHAR(200)) AS filler
112
    INTO dbo.Orders
    FROM SP.Sales.Orders;
114
    CREATE CLUSTERED INDEX idx_orderdate ON dbo.Orders(orderdate);
116
    CREATE UNIQUE INDEX idx_orderid ON dbo.Orders(orderid);
    CREATE INDEX idx_custid_empid ON dbo.Orders(custid, empid)
118
            INCLUDE(orderid, orderdate, filler);
    GO
120
121
    -- Create dbo.getOrders stored procedure
    -- with optional inputs:
123
    -- Corderid, Ccustid, Cempid, and Corderdate
    -- query and filter on non-NULL input values
125
    -- Use static query
127
    USE tempdb;
    IF OBJECT_ID(N'dbo.GetOrders', N'P') IS NOT NULL DROP PROC dbo.GetOrders;
129
    --start snippet static_ds
131
   CREATE PROC dbo.GetOrders
      @orderid AS INT = NULL,
133
      @custid AS INT = NULL,
               AS INT = NULL,
      @empid
135
      @orderdate AS DATE = NULL
   AS
137
138
    SELECT orderid, custid, empid, orderdate, filler
    FROM dbo.Orders
140
    WHERE (orderid = @orderid OR @orderid IS NULL)
141
```

```
AND (custid
                      = @custid
                                    OR @custid
                                                  IS NULL)
142
                      = @empid
                                    OR @empid
      AND (empid
                                                  IS NULL)
      AND (orderdate = @orderdate OR @orderdate IS NULL);
144
    --end snippet static_ds
146
147
    -- Test procedure
148
    USE tempdb;
149
    --start snippet static ds test
150
    EXEC dbo.GetOrders @orderdate = '20140101';
    --end snippet static_ds_test
152
153
154
    --Use static query with OPTION(RECOMPILE)
155
    --at statement level
156
    USE tempdb;
157
    IF OBJECT_ID(N'dbo.GetOrders', N'P') IS NOT NULL DROP PROC dbo.GetOrders;
159
    --start snippet static_ds_rc
160
    CREATE PROC dbo.GetOrders
161
      @orderid AS INT = NULL,
      @custid
                 AS INT = NULL,
163
                 AS INT = NULL,
      @empid
164
      @orderdate AS DATE = NULL
165
166
    SELECT orderid, custid, empid, orderdate, filler
167
    FROM dbo.Orders
                                   OR @orderid
    WHERE (orderid = @orderid
                                                  IS NULL)
169
      AND (custid
                      = @custid
                                   OR @custid
                                                  IS NULL)
170
      AND (empid
                      = @empid
                                   OR @empid
                                                  IS NULL)
171
      AND (orderdate = @orderdate OR @orderdate IS NULL)
172
    OPTION (RECOMPILE);
    --end snippet static_ds_rc
174
    GO
175
176
    -- Test procedure
177
    USE tempdb;
178
    --start snippet static_ds_rc_test
    EXEC dbo.GetOrders @orderdate = '20140101';
180
    EXEC dbo.GetOrders @orderid = 10248;
    --end snippet static_ds_rc_test
182
184
    -- Use dynamic SQL with parameters.
    USE tempdb;
186
    IF OBJECT_ID(N'dbo.GetOrders', N'P') IS NOT NULL DROP PROC dbo.GetOrders;
```

```
188
    --start snippet dynamic_ds_01
    CREATE PROC dbo.GetOrders
190
      @orderid AS INT = NULL,
      @custid
                  AS INT = NULL,
192
      @empid
                  AS INT = NULL,
193
      @orderdate AS DATE = NULL
194
195
    DECLARE @sql AS NVARCHAR(1000);
196
    SET @sql =
        N'SELECT orderid, custid, empid, orderdate, filler'
198
      + N' /* 27702431-107C-478C-8157-6DFCECC148DD */'
199
      + N' FROM dbo.Orders'
200
      + N' WHERE 1 = 1'
201
      + CASE WHEN Corderid IS NOT NULL THEN
202
           N' AND orderid = @oid' ELSE N'' END
203
    --end snippet dynamic_ds_01
204
    --start snippet dynamic_ds_02
205
      + CASE WHEN @custid IS NOT NULL THEN
           N' AND custid = @cid' ELSE N'' END
207
      + CASE WHEN @empid IS NOT NULL THEN
           N' AND empid = @eid' ELSE N'' END
209
      + CASE WHEN Corderdate IS NOT NULL THEN
210
           N' AND orderdate = @dt' ELSE N'' END;
211
    EXEC sp_executesql
212
      @stmt = @sql,
213
      @params = N'@oid AS INT, @cid AS INT, @eid AS INT, @dt AS DATE',
214
      @oid = @orderid,
215
      @cid = @custid,
216
      @eid = @empid,
217
      @dt = @orderdate;
    --end snippet dynamic_ds_02
219
220
221
    -- Test procedure
222
    USE tempdb;
    --start snippet dynamic_ds_test
224
    EXEC dbo.GetOrders @orderdate = '20140101';
    EXEC dbo.GetOrders @orderdate = '20140102';
226
    EXEC dbo.GetOrders @orderid
                                    = 10248;
    --end snippet dynamic_ds_test
228
229
230
    -- Find cached plans and their reuse
232
    USE tempdb;
```

```
--start snippet cached_plans
234
    SELECT usecounts, text
235
    FROM sys.dm_exec_cached_plans AS CP
236
      CROSS APPLY sys.dm_exec_sql_text(cp.plan_handle) AS ST
    WHERE ST.text LIKE '%27702431-107C-478C-8157-6DFCECC148DD%'
238
      AND ST.text NOT LIKE '%sys.dm_exec_cached_plans%'
239
      AND CP.objtype = 'Prepared';
240
    --end snippet cached_plans
241
242
```

#### **Dynamic Sorting**

```
244
    --Dynamic Sorting
245
246
247
    --Use static SQL with recompile
248
    USE SP;
249
    IF OBJECT_ID(N'dbo.GetSortedShippers', N'P') IS NOT NULL DROP PROC dbo.GetSortedShippers;
250
251
    --start snippet static_dsrt_rc
    CREATE PROC dbo.GetSortedShippers
253
      @colname AS sysname, @sortdir AS CHAR(1) = 'A'
254
255
    SELECT shipperid, companyname, phone
257
    FROM Sales. Shippers
258
    --end snippet static dsrt rc
259
    --start snippet static_dsrt_rc_02
260
    ORDER BY
261
      CASE WHEN @colname = N'shipperid'
                                             AND @sortdir = 'A'
262
             THEN shipperid
                               END,
263
      CASE WHEN @colname = N'companyname' AND @sortdir = 'A'
264
             THEN companyname END,
265
      CASE WHEN @colname = N'phone'
                                             AND @sortdir = 'A'
266
             THEN phone
                               END,
267
      CASE WHEN @colname = N'shipperid'
                                             AND @sortdir = 'D'
268
                               END DESC,
             THEN shipperid
      CASE WHEN @colname = N'companyname'
                                             AND @sortdir = 'D'
270
             THEN companyname END DESC,
271
      CASE WHEN @colname = N'phone'
                                             AND @sortdir = 'D'
272
                               END DESC
             THEN phone
    OPTION (RECOMPILE);
274
    --end snippet static_dsrt_rc_02
    GO
276
```

```
277
    -- Test procedure
278
279
    --start snippet static_dsrt_rc_test
    EXEC dbo.GetSortedShippers N'shipperid', N'D';
281
    --end\ snippet\ static\_dsrt\_rc\_test
282
283
    -- Use dynamic SQL
285
    USE SP;
    IF OBJECT_ID(N'dbo.GetSortedShippers', N'P') IS NOT NULL DROP PROC dbo.GetSortedShippers;
287
288
289
    --start snippet dynamic dsrt
290
    CREATE PROC dbo.GetSortedShippers
291
      @colname AS sysname, @sortdir AS CHAR(1) = 'A'
292
    AS
293
    IF @colname NOT IN(N'shipperid', N'companyname', N'phone')
294
      THROW 50001,
295
             'Column name not supported. Possibly a SQL injection attempt.', 1;
296
    DECLARE @sql AS NVARCHAR(1000);
298
    SET @sql = N'SELECT shipperid, companyname, phone
    FROM Sales. Shippers
300
    ORDER BY '
301
      + QUOTENAME(@colname) +
302
             CASE @sortdir WHEN 'D' THEN N' DESC' ELSE '' END + ';';
303
304
    EXEC sys.sp_executesql @stmt = @sql;
305
    --end snippet dynamic_dsrt
306
    GO
307
308
    -- Test procedure
309
    --start snippet dynamic_dsrt_test
310
    EXEC dbo.GetSortedShippers N'shipperid', N'D';
311
    --end snippet dynamic_dsrt_test
312
313
    -- Sort by multiple columns
315
    USE SP;
    IF OBJECT_ID(N'dbo.GetSortedShippers', N'P') IS NOT NULL DROP PROC dbo.GetSortedShippers;
317
318
319
    --start snippet dynamic_dsrt_mc_01
320
    CREATE PROC dbo.GetSortedShippers
321
      @colname1 AS sysname, @sortdir1 AS CHAR(1) = 'A',
```

```
@colname2 AS sysname = NULL, @sortdir2 AS CHAR(1) = 'A',
323
      @colname3 AS sysname = NULL, @sortdir3 AS CHAR(1) = 'A'
324
325
    IF @colname1 NOT IN(N'shipperid', N'companyname', N'phone')
326
       OR @colname2 IS NOT NULL
327
             AND @colname2 NOT IN(N'shipperid', N'companyname', N'phone')
328
       OR @colname3 IS NOT NULL
329
             AND @colname3 NOT IN(N'shipperid', N'companyname', N'phone')
330
      THROW 50001,
331
             'Column name not supported. Possibly a SQL injection attempt.', 1;
332
    --end snippet dynamic_dsrt_mc_01
333
334
    --start snippet dynamic_dsrt_mc_02
335
    DECLARE @sql AS NVARCHAR(1000);
336
    SET @sql = N'SELECT shipperid, companyname, phone
338
    FROM Sales. Shippers
339
    ORDER BY '
340
      + QUOTENAME(@colname1) +
341
             CASE @sortdir1 WHEN 'D' THEN N' DESC' ELSE '' END
342
      + ISNULL(N',' + QUOTENAME(@colname2) +
             CASE @sortdir2 WHEN 'D' THEN N' DESC' ELSE '' END, N'')
344
      + ISNULL(N',' + QUOTENAME(@colname3) +
345
             CASE @sortdir3 WHEN 'D' THEN N' DESC' ELSE '' END, N'')
346
      + ';';
347
348
    EXEC sys.sp_executesql @stmt = @sql;
349
    --end snippet dynamic_dsrt_mc_02
350
    GO
351
```