Stored procedures

Agenda

- Stored Routines and Functions
- Prepared Statements
- Conditions and Loops
- Cursors
- Error Handling

Stored routines are the procedural extension to SQL in MySQL server

• Stored routines include the typical programming language features like variables, conditional statements, loops, exceptions, procedures, functions, ...

Support for stored routines and functions was added in MySQL
 5.5

 Data manipulation and query statements of SQL are integral part of stored routines

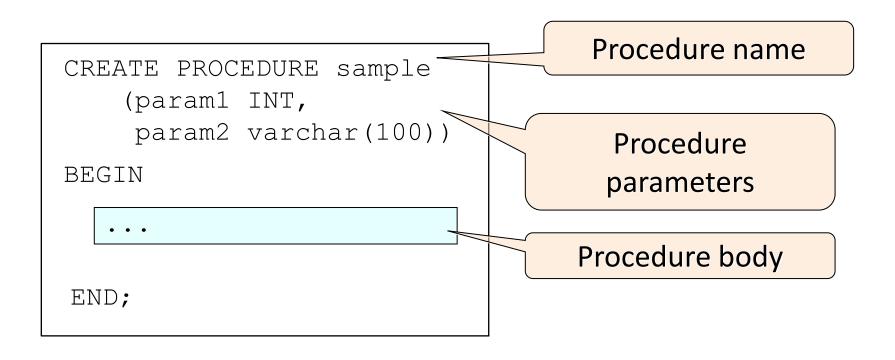
 SQL queries can be combined with programming logic (like loops) in stored routines

 Stored routine blocks are also used to provide the procedural logic of triggers and events in MySQL

- Stored routines are named procedures that can be executed repeatedly on the database server:
 - combine SQL statements and programming logic
 - can take parameters
 - usually implement the database logic (data- related business rules)
- Functions are stored routines that return a value

- Stored routines allows for improved performance:
 - data should not be moved out of the server in order to be processed
- Stored routines allows for easier maintenance, data integrity and security:
 - when the database structure is changed these changes can reflect only the stored procedures
 - applications should access the DB only through the stored routines

 Stored routines are program logic and have the following structure:



Once defined routines can be called with the CALL command

For example:

```
CALL sample;
```

A stored routine can also be called from another stored routine

- Parameters of the stored procedure can additionally be defined as:
 - IN parameter has initial value when passed to the procedure but is not modified after procedure finishes
 - OUT parameter might be modified by the procedure and used with modified value after procedure finishes
 - INOUT parameter has an initial value and might be modified by the procedure

For example

```
set @var1 = 0;
set @var2 = 0;
set @var3 = 0;
CALL sample(@var1, @var2, @var3);
With SET you can define user,
session and system variables
```

- There are two ways to define variables in a stored routine:
 - using the SET command defines a user variable accessible even outside the stored routine
 - using the DECLARE command
- The DECLARE command in a stored routine can be used to define:
 - local variables
 - errors conditions and handlers
 - cursors

The format for declaring a variable with DECLARE is:

```
DECLARE <variable_name> <datatype> [DEFAULT <value>];
```

For example:

```
CREATE PROCEDURE sample2()
BEGIN
    DECLARE COUNTRY VARCHAR(100) DEFAULT 'Bulgaria';
    SET COUNTRY = 'GERMANY';
    SELECT COUNTRY;
END
```

 SET variables are visible outside the routine procedure while DECLARE variables are visible only in the body of the procedure

Example:

```
CREATE DEFINER=`root`@`localhost` PROCEDURE `sample3`()
BEGIN
    set @user_defined = 'sample3 invoked';
END
```

```
call sample3;
select @user_defined;
```

- Stored routines in MySQL workbench CANNOT be created directly from the editor - they are created from the routines folder in the object browser
- Once they are created they can be altered/removed from the routines folder in the object browser
- They can be called from the MySQL workbench editor with the CALL command

- Prepared statements can be used to created dynamic SQL queries and execute them
- Dynamic queries are created as plain text and can contain parameters that are passed when the dynamic query is executed
- Prepared statements are very useful in stored routines since queries can be created dynamically using parameters, local variables or user-defined variables

Example:

```
SET @table = 'employees';
SET @statement = CONCAT('SELECT * FROM ', @table);
PREPARE stmt1 FROM @statement;
EXECUTE stmt1;
```

• Example:

```
PREPARE stmt2 FROM 'SELECT upper(?);';
set @var= "abc";
EXECUTE stmt2 USING @var;
```

 Prepared statements can be deleted with the DEALLOCATE PREPARE command

For example:

DEALLOCATE PREPARE stmt2;

- Conditional and loop statement allow you to implement the logical (control) flow of your stored routines
- The CASE and IF commands we already covered can also be used in a BEGIN ... END block of a stored routine in order to provide conditional logic

- Loops are used to provide a mechanism for executing the same program logic multiple times
- Stored routines support the following types of loops:
 - using the LOOP command
 - using the WHILE command
 - using the REPEAT command

Example:

```
CREATE PROCEDURE sp_check_date(p_date datetime, out
p state varchar(100))
begin
  declare v hour int;
  declare v day of week int;
  set v hour := hour(p date);
  set v day of week := weekday(p date);
  if v hour between 8 and 18
    and v day of week in (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
  then
    set p state = 'office hours';
  else
    set p state = 'out of office hours';
  end if;
end
```

• Example (cont.):

```
set @result = NULL;
call sp_check_date(now(), @result);
select @result;
```

LOOP statement syntax:

- You can exit a loop with the LEAVE command
- You can continue to next iteration with the ITERATE command

Example:

```
CREATE PROCEDURE simple loop()
BEGIN
    declare v counter int default 5;
    declare v person varchar(100);
    sample loop: loop
        set v counter = v counter - 1;
        if(v counter = 2)
            then iterate sample loop; end if;
        set v person = concat('Person', v counter);
        select v person;
        if v counter = 0
            then leave sample loop; end if;
    end loop;
END
```

WHILE statement syntax:

REPEAT statement syntax:

 Cursors are temporary work area created in system memory when an SQL statement is executed

 They are used to iterate and manipulate data returned from an SQL statement

A cursor can process one row at a time

• The set of rows that the cursor holds is called the active set

- There are two types of cursors:
 - oimplicit created when a DML statement such as INSERT, UPDATE or DELETE is called or a SELECT statement that returns one row
 - oexplicit created explicitly for a SELECT statement

• Implicit cursors allow to assign result of a SELECT statement directly to variables.

Implicit cursors are opened with the

```
SELECT ... INTO <variable_list>
command
```

• Example:

```
CREATE PROCEDURE implicit_cursor()
BEGIN

DECLARE V_EMAIL VARCHAR(100);
SELECT EMAIL FROM EMPLOYEES
WHERE NAME = 'Ivan Ivanov'
INTO V_EMAIL;
SELECT V_EMAIL;
END
```

• Explicit cursors have an OPEN-FETCH-CLOSE lifecycle:

- OPEN opens the cursor
- o FETCH reads the next row from the cursor into a record variable
- CLOSE closes the cursor

```
CREATE PROCEDURE `sample cursor`()
BEGIN
    DECLARE finished INT DEFAULT 0;
    DECLARE v name VARCHAR(100);
    DECLARE v email VARCHAR(100);
    DECLARE emp cursor CURSOR FOR
        select name, email from employees
        where name like 'M%';
    DECLARE CONTINUE HANDLER FOR NOT FOUND
        SET finished = 1;
    OPEN emp cursor;
    sample loop: LOOP
        FETCH emp cursor INTO v name, v email;
        if finished = 1 then leave sample loop; end if;
        select concat(v name, ' ', v email);
    END LOOP sample loop;
    CLOSE emp cursor;
END
```

 Errors can occur during the execution of stored routines most often returned from an SQL statement executed by the stored routine

 Errors can be handled by error handlers that are basically another stored routines that provided error-handling logic

• There are basic three types of errors in a stored routine:

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 Error handlers can be triggered as a result of errors and the procedure can continue execution after the handler is executed (CONTINUE handlers)

Example:

```
DECLARE CONTINUE HANDLER FOR 1051
BEGIN
-- body of handler
END;
```

 Error handlers can be triggered as a result of errors and the procedure can exit after the handler is executed (EXIT handlers)

Example:

```
DECLARE EXIT HANDLER FOR 1051
BEGIN
-- body of handler
END;
```

 Name of errors can be attached to error codes using the DECLARE ... CONDITION command

• Example:

```
DECLARE no_such_table CONDITION FOR 1051;
DECLARE CONTINUE HANDLER FOR no_such_table
BEGIN
-- body of handler
END;
```

Questions?