

A CallableStatement with ResultSet object

A **CallableStatement** in Java is used to execute SQL stored procedures in a database. It can return multiple result sets, update counts, or output parameters. When a stored procedure returns a **ResultSet**, the **CallableStatement** can retrieve it. Below is an example program demonstrating how a **CallableStatement** can return one **ResultSet** object.

Example Program

In this example, assume you have a stored procedure in your database named **getEmployees** that returns a list of employees. We'll show how to call this stored procedure from Java using **CallableStatement** and retrieve the result set.

Step 1: Stored Procedure (Database Side)

You would first need to create a stored procedure in your database. Here's an example for MySQL:

```
DELIMITER $$

CREATE PROCEDURE getEmployees()
BEGIN
    SELECT employee_id, first_name, last_name FROM employees;
END$$

DELIMITER ;
```

This stored procedure retrieves the **employee_id**, **first_name**, and **last_name** from the **employees** table.

Step 2: Java Program

Now, let's write the Java program to call this stored procedure using **CallableStatement** and retrieve the **ResultSet**:

```
import java.sql.*;

public class CallableStatementExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Database connection variables
        String url = "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/your_database_name";
```

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String username = "your_username";
String password = "your_password";

// Connection and CallableStatement objects
Connection conn = null;
CallableStatement stmt = null;
ResultSet rs = null;

try {
    // Establish the connection to the database
    conn = DriverManager.getConnection(url, username, password);

    // Call the stored procedure
    String sql = "{CALL getEmployees()}";
    stmt = conn.prepareCall(sql);

    // Execute the stored procedure
    rs = stmt.executeQuery();

    // Process the result set
    while (rs.next()) {
        int employeeId = rs.getInt("employee_id");
        String firstName = rs.getString("first_name");
        String lastName = rs.getString("last_name");

        // Print employee details
        System.out.println("Employee ID: " + employeeId + ", Name: " + firstName + " "
+ lastName);
    }

} catch (SQLException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
} finally {
    // Close the ResultSet, CallableStatement, and Connection
    try {
        if (rs != null) rs.close();
        if (stmt != null) stmt.close();
        if (conn != null) conn.close();
    } catch (SQLException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}
}
}

```

Explanation of the Code:

1. Connection Setup:

- The connection to the MySQL database is established using `DriverManager.getConnection()`, providing the database URL, username, and password.

2. CallableStatement Creation:

- The SQL query "`{CALL getEmployees()}`" is used to call the stored procedure `getEmployees`.
- The `{CALL}` syntax is used in JDBC to call a stored procedure.

3. Executing the Stored Procedure:

- `stmt.executeQuery()` is used to execute the stored procedure. Since `getEmployees` returns a `ResultSet`, the `executeQuery` method is appropriate for retrieving the result set.

4. Processing the ResultSet:

- The `ResultSet` object (`rs`) contains the result of the stored procedure. We iterate over the result set using `rs.next()` and retrieve the employee details using the appropriate `get` methods (e.g., `getInt()` for integers, `getString()` for strings).

5. Resource Cleanup:

- It is important to close the `ResultSet`, `CallableStatement`, and `Connection` objects to free up resources once the operation is complete. This is done in the `finally` block to ensure it runs regardless of whether an exception occurs.

Key Points:

- **CallableStatement:** It is specifically used for calling stored procedures.
- **ResultSet:** The `ResultSet` returned by `executeQuery()` can be processed just like any other result set.
- **SQL Procedure Call:** The syntax `{CALL procedure_name()}` is used to execute a stored procedure. If the procedure returns a `ResultSet`, it can be retrieved via the `executeQuery()` method.
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Output Example:

Assuming the **employees** table has the following data:

employee_id	first_name	last_name
1	John	Doe
2	Jane	Smith

The output of the program would be:

Employee ID: 1, Name: John Doe
Employee ID: 2, Name: Jane Smith

Conclusion:

This example demonstrates how a **CallableStatement** can be used to call a stored procedure in the database that returns a **ResultSet**. It is a powerful tool when working with stored procedures, allowing you to execute complex database operations from Java while handling the result set efficiently.