BCI433 - IBM i Business Computing

Week 9: Embed SQL Statements in RPGLE Program

Agenda

- ► Embedded SQL in an RPGLE Program
- ► Lab 8
 - Subfile concepts
- ► Lab 9A

Lesson Objectives

Upon completion of this lecture and lab 2 you'll be able to:

- Apply both RPGLE statements and embedded SQL to access database files in RPGLE application development
- Understand subfile concepts

► Study Lab 9 for preparing final assignment/exam.

Understanding Lab 9A, and preparing for final ...

- ▶ What does Lab 9A do?
 - Create a report (printer file) with the data obtained by "joining" 2 database tables (physical files as "input"s).
- ▶ Using 2 different ways to access the 2 tables:
 - Input 1: CUSTOMER20
 - ▶ accessed by RPGLE read statement
 - ▶ What do you need to define/declare for this table/file? DCL-F
 - Input 2: CONTACTW20
 - ▶ accessed through embedded SQL statements
 - ▶ What do you need to define/declare for this table/file? DCL-DS

► The RPGLE state used to run/embed SQL statement: EXEC SQL

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// an SQL statement here
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- What to do if a db table field allows null value (when using embed SQL)?
 - Define a standalone indicator variable (type?), e.g. INDLastCDate
 - Add in after the host variable and a space, e.g.
 SELECT PHNLDC + PHNCIT DAYS, PHNLDC, ...
 INTO :NEXTCDATE :INDNEXTCDATE, :PHNLDC ...
 - Process null values after the embed sql statement
 IF IndLastCDate = -1;

...\...

- Processing after running embed SQL statements in RPG:
 - to indicate the rows/records with problem
 - to prevent program crash
 - includes,
 - ▶ the process for null value field
 - ► the process after Select ... INTO..., e.g. SELECT;
 WHEN SQLSTATE = '00000';
 - ▶ the process after Select ... INTO ... with group functions, e.g. count(*), max(), min()

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IF (SQLCODE <> 0) OR (SQLWN0 = 'W');
    CONTACTT = -99999;
ENDIF;
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- ▶ Host variables
 - Data filed defined for RPGLE Read statements
 - ▶ e.g. :CSTNUM
 - Fields of data structure for Embed SQL statements
 - ▶ e.g. :CSTPHN, :PHNCOM, :CSTSLN
 - Named fields, :CONTACTT
 - Standalone files, e.g. indicator variables
 - ► e.g. :INDLastCDate

- ► How to retrieve current user, system time and server name using SQL statement in IBM i?
 - See the last piece of code showed in class

About Lab 8

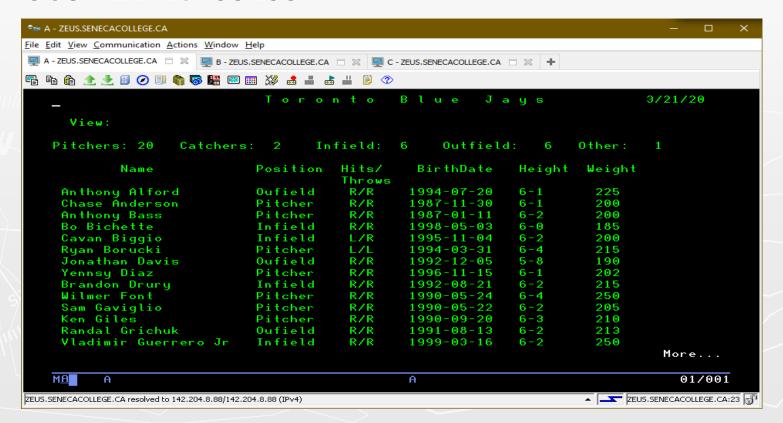
- ► A research assignment
 - Except the lecture, no more helps
- ► A group assignment
 - must be done in a team with 2 or 3 members
 - not working alone or 4+ members
- ► Form teams
 - after team setup: email me the list of team members with IBM i user account

About Lab 8

- **►** Submission:
 - 1 team member submits
 - ▶ with the list of team members
 - ▶ must follow the instruction on BB
 - All member get the same marks

Running the sample program

- ► CHGCURLIB BCI433LIB
- CALL BLUEJAYPGM
- CHGCURLIB DJ433E35



<u>Using Subfile</u>

- ▶ In lab 8, you need to create RPGLE program uses a subfile to present data (on screen) from a data file.
 - Similar to Lab 5, we present data to a printer file and getting data from physical file.
 - ► Relative Record
 - ► (data) fields dragged from (physical) files
- ► INPUT:

<u>Using Subfile</u>

- Subfiles can be specified in the DDS for a display-device file to allow you to handle multiple records of the same type on the display.
- ▶ The DDS for a subfile consists of two record formats:
 - a <u>subfile-record format</u> contains the field information that is transferred to or from the display file under control of the subfile control-record format.
 - a subfile control-record format causes the physical read, write, or control operations of a subfile to take place.

Creating Subfile

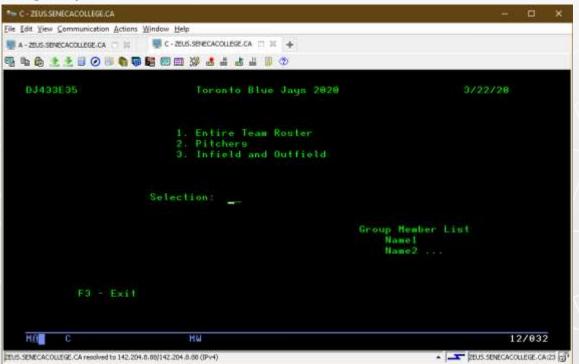
Demo in RDi:

- ▶ Open a display file with screen designer, then
- Drag a Subfile Record to the working area 2 record formats will be automatically generated:
 - CTL1 the subfile control-record format
 - ▶ drag constants, named fields to this record to create the fixed parts on the screen: "Toronto Blue Jays", "Pitchers", PITCHERS named field, ..., column headings ("Name", "Position", ...)
 - SFL1 the subfile-record format
 - ▶ drag data fields to this record from BASEBALL20/AMERICANLG

Creating Subfile

Demo in RDi:

- Notes: after creating the subfile, you need to drag a "Standard Record" for the first screen of the program with
 - Menu & selection field
 - Your group member list



What's next?

- ► Form groups
- Research for this lab
 - IBM Knowledge Center
 - Online search
 - Study Lab 9
- ► Note:
 - No material concerning subfiles will be on the final exam or final assignment

Lab 9A Demo

Homework

- ► Review lecture notes.
- ► Complete Lab 9A
- ► Lab 7 due

The End