

Lecture 9: Problems with Statement

Dynamic Values Problem:

// Variables with dynamic values

```
int sid = 101;
```

```
String sname = "Max";
```

```
int marks = 48;
```

// This WON'T work - variables not substituted

```
String sql = "INSERT INTO student VALUES (sid, sname, marks)";
```

// This works but is problematic

```
String sql = "INSERT INTO student VALUES (" + sid + ", " + sname + ", " + marks + ")";
```

Major Problems with Statement:

1. SQL Injection Vulnerability:

// If sname comes from user input: "Max'; DROP TABLE student; --"

```
String sname = "Max'; DROP TABLE student; --";
```

```
String sql = "INSERT INTO student VALUES (" + sid + ", " + sname + ", " + marks + ")";
```

// Results in: INSERT INTO student VALUES (101, 'Max'; DROP TABLE student; --', 48)

// This could delete your entire table!

2. String Concatenation Complexity:

// Complex and error-prone

```
String sql = "INSERT INTO student VALUES (" + sid + ", " + sname + ", " + marks + ")";
```

// Must handle quotes, escaping, data types manually

3. Performance Issues:

- SQL is compiled every time
- No query plan reuse
- Database has to parse SQL each execution

4. Data Type Handling:

// Date/Time values are complex to handle

```
Date joinDate = new Date();
```

```
String sql = "INSERT INTO employee VALUES (" + id + ", " + name + ", " + joinDate + ")";
```

// Date formatting issues across databases