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Course: SW222 – Database Management & Administration

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**Topic** To become familiar with stored procedures and stored functions.

**Objectives** - To become familiar with Creating Procedures and Functions

**Lab Discussion: Theoretical concepts and Procedural steps**

**Stored Procedure:**

A stored procedure is a prepared SQL code that you can save, so the code can be reused over and over again.

So if you have an SQL query that you write over and over again, save it as a stored procedure, and then just call it to execute it.

You can also pass parameters to a stored procedure, so that the stored procedure can act based on the parameter value(s) that is passed.

**Stored Procedure Syntax:**

```
CREATE PROCEDURE procedure_name
```

```
AS
```

```
sql_statement
```

```
GO;
```

Execute a Stored Procedure

```
EXEC procedure_name;
```

Demo Database

Below is a selection from the "Customers" table in the Northwind sample database:

CustomerName	ContactName	Address	City	PostalCode	Country
Alfreds Futterkiste	Maria Anders	Obere Str. 57	Berlin	12209	Germany
Ana Trujillo Emparedados y helados	Ana Trujillo	Avda. de la Constitución 2222	México D.F.	05021	Mexico
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### Stored Procedure Example:

The following SQL statement creates a stored procedure named "SelectAllCustomers" that selects all records from the "Customers" table:

### Example:

```
CREATE PROCEDURE SelectAllCustomers
AS
SELECT * FROM Customers
GO;
```

Execute the stored procedure above as follows:

**Example:**

```
EXEC SelectAllCustomers;
```

### **Stored Procedure With One Parameter**

The following SQL statement creates a stored procedure that selects Customers from a particular City from the "Customers" table:

**Example:**

```
CREATE PROCEDURE SelectAllCustomers @City nvarchar(30)
AS
SELECT * FROM Customers WHERE City = @City
GO;
```

Execute the stored procedure above as follows:

**Example:**

```
EXEC SelectAllCustomers City = "London";
```

### **Stored Procedure With Multiple Parameters**

Setting up multiple parameters is very easy. Just list each parameter and the data type separated by a comma as shown below.

The following SQL statement creates a stored procedure that selects Customers from a particular City with a particular PostalCode from the "Customers" table:

**Example:**

```
CREATE PROCEDURE SelectAllCustomers @City nvarchar(30), @PostalCode  
nvarchar(10)  
AS  
SELECT * FROM Customers WHERE City = @City AND PostalCode = @PostalCode  
GO;
```

Execute the stored procedure above as follows:

**Example:**

```
EXEC SelectAllCustomers City = "London", PostalCode = "WA1 1DP";
```

**Stored Function:**

A stored function is a special kind stored program that returns a single value. You use stored functions to encapsulate common formulas or business rules that are reusable among SQL statements or stored programs.

Different from a [stored procedure](#), you can use a stored function in SQL statements wherever an expression is used. This helps improve the readability and maintainability of the procedural code.

MySQL stored function syntax

The following illustrates the simplest syntax for creating a new stored function:

```
1 CREATE FUNCTION function_name(param1,param2,...)  
2 RETURNS datatype  
3 [NOT] DETERMINISTIC  
4 statements
```

First, you specify the name of the stored function after CREATE FUNCTION clause.

Second, you list all [parameters](#) of the stored function inside the parentheses. By default, all parameters are the IN parameters. You cannot specify IN , OUT or INOUT modifiers to the parameters.

Third, you must specify the data type of the return value in the RETURNS statement. It can be any valid [MySQL data types](#).

Fourth, for the same input parameters, if the stored function returns the same result, it is considered deterministic; otherwise, the stored function is not deterministic. You have to decide whether a stored function is deterministic or

not. If you declare it incorrectly, the stored function may produce an unexpected result, or the available optimization is not used which degrades the performance. Fifth, you write the code in the body of the stored function. It can be a single statement or a compound statement. Inside the body section, you have to specify at least one RETURN statement. The RETURN statement returns a value to the caller. Whenever the RETURN statement is reached, the stored function's execution is terminated immediately.

#### MySQL stored function example

Let's take a look at an example of using the stored function. We will use the customers table in the [sample database](#) for the demonstration.

The following example is a function that returns the level of a customer based on credit limit. We use the [IF statement](#) to determine the credit limit.

```
1 DELIMITER $$
2
3 CREATE FUNCTION CustomerLevel(p_creditLimit double) RETURNS VARCHAR(10)
4     DETERMINISTIC
5 BEGIN
6     DECLARE lvl varchar(10);
7
8     IF p_creditLimit > 50000 THEN
9         SET lvl = 'PLATINUM';
10    ELSEIF (p_creditLimit <= 50000 AND p_creditLimit >= 10000) THEN
11        SET lvl = 'GOLD';
12    ELSEIF p_creditLimit < 10000 THEN
13        SET lvl = 'SILVER';
14    END IF;
15
16    RETURN (lvl);
17 END
```

	customerName	CustomerLevel(creditLimit)
▶	Alpha Cognac	PLATINUM
	American Souvenirs Inc	SILVER
	Amica Models & Co.	PLATINUM
	ANG Resellers	SILVER
	Anna's Decorations, Ltd	PLATINUM
	Anton Designs, Ltd.	SILVER
	Asian Shopping Network, Co	SILVER
	Asian Treasures, Inc.	SILVER
	Atelier graphique	GOLD
	Australian Collectables, Ltd	PLATINUM
	Australian Collectors, Co.	PLATINUM

Now, we can call the CustomerLevel() in a [SELECT](#) statement as follows:

```

1 SELECT
2     customerName,
3     CustomerLevel(creditLimit)
4 FROM
5     customers
6 ORDER BY
7     customerName;

```

We also rewrite the `GetCustomerLevel()` stored procedure that we developed in the [MySQL IF statement](#) tutorial as follows:

```

1 DELIMITER $$
2
3 CREATE PROCEDURE GetCustomerLevel(
4     IN  p_customerNumber INT(11),
5     OUT p_customerLevel  varchar(10)
6 )
7 BEGIN
8     DECLARE creditlim DOUBLE;
9
10    SELECT creditlimit INTO creditlim
11    FROM customers
12    WHERE customerNumber = p_customerNumber;
13
14    SELECT CUSTOMERLEVEL(creditlim)
15    INTO p_customerLevel;
16
17 END

```

As you can see, the `GetCustomerLevel()` stored procedure is much more readable when using the `CustomerLevel()` stored function.

Notice that a stored function returns a single value only. If you include a `SELECT` statement without the `INTO` clause, you will get an error.

In addition, if a stored function contains SQL statements, you should not use it inside other SQL statements; otherwise, the stored function will slow down the speed of the query.

In this tutorial, you have learned how to create a stored function to encapsulate the common formula or business rules.

## Lab Tasks

1. Run the examples given above
2. Create your Stored procedure and function using tables of your dbs