

Introduction to Java Database Connectivity

Introduction to JDBC - Java DataBase Connectivity



Learning Objectives:

In this presentation, we will get to know how to connect MySQL Database through a Java Class.

By the end of this session, learners will be able to:

- Demonstrate how to setup JDBC driver.
- Describe the JDBC Connectivity Steps
- Make a MySQL Database connectivity through a Java Class.
- Write a SQL query from within a Java class.
- Access records from Database Table through Java Class with user input values.

Agenda/Overview

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Java Database Connectivity Driver/ Application Programming Interface

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- ❑ A Java Database Connectivity (**JDBC**) Driver Application Programming Interface (API) manages connections to a database issuing queries and commands, and handles result sets obtained from the database.
- ❑ An API is Java's solution to the problems. It allows for programmatic interaction with a database:
 - Initial connection.
 - Querying (SQL).
 - Inserting, updating, and deleting of data (DML).
 - Creating, updating, and deleting of tables (DDL).
- ❑ JDBC Driver classes are available in the **java.sql** package.

Java Database Connectivity Driver/ Application Programming Interface

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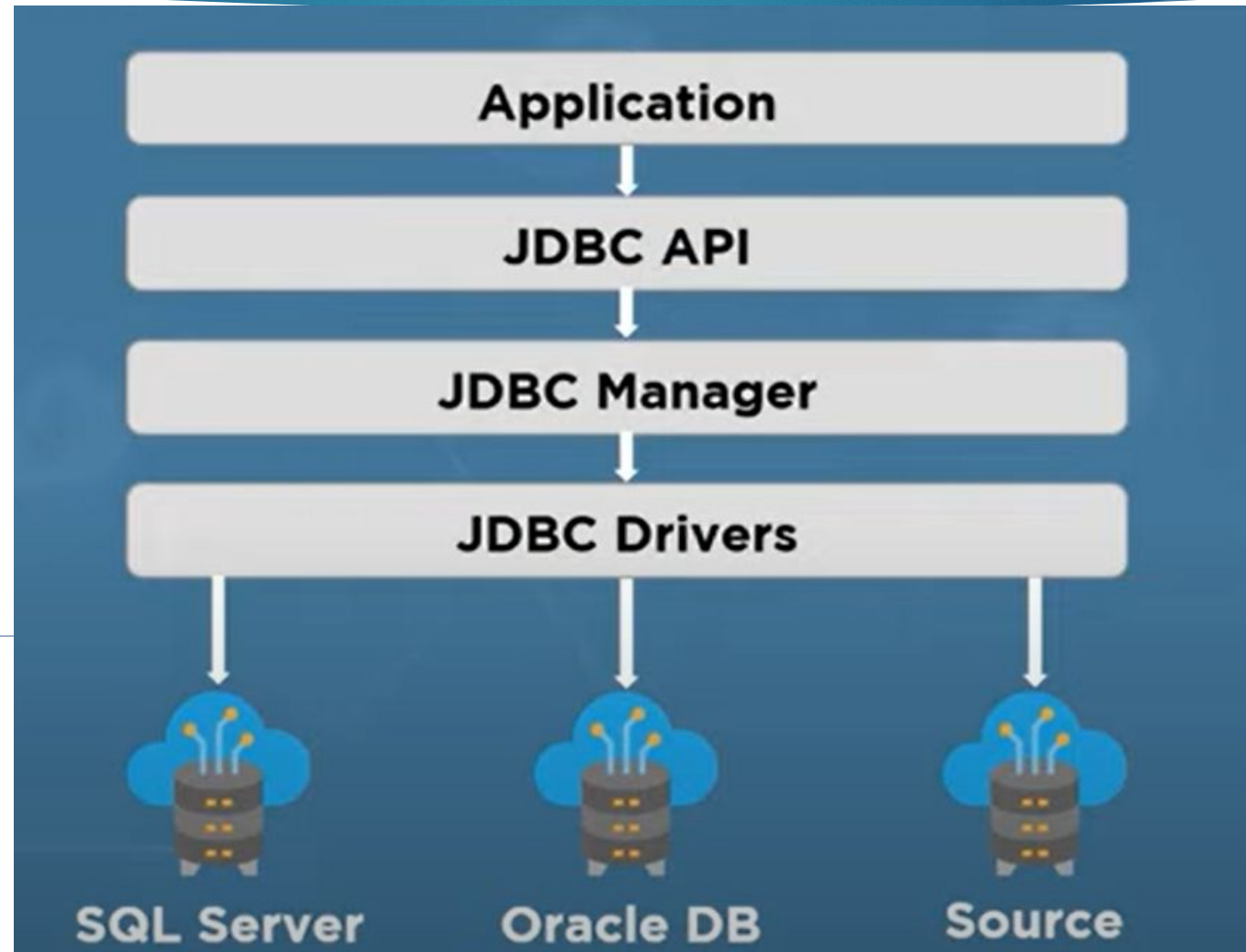
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JDBC/API:

- ❑ A software component enabling a Java application to interact with a database.
- ❑ Implements the protocol for transferring the query and result between client and database.
- ❑ Allows us to develop an application that can send SQL statements to different data sources.

JDBC basic Architecture

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Download / Install MySQL JDBC Driver

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We can Download and install JDBC driver:

1. By using Maven Dependency
2. By using Jar File - need installation steps

Download MySQL JDBC Driver using Maven

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The MySQL Driver is available on Maven Central repository. Copy below MySQL JDBC driver maven dependency and paste in your project pom.xml file:

```
<!-- https://mvnrepository.com/artifact/mysql/mysql-connector-java -->
<dependency>
  <groupId>mysql</groupId>
  <artifactId>mysql-connector-java</artifactId>
  <version>8.0.18</version>
</dependency>
```

[Click here for JDBC Maven dependency official website](#)

MySQL Java Database Connectivity Driver

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❏ **Step 1:** [Click here to download MySQL JDBC driver.](#)

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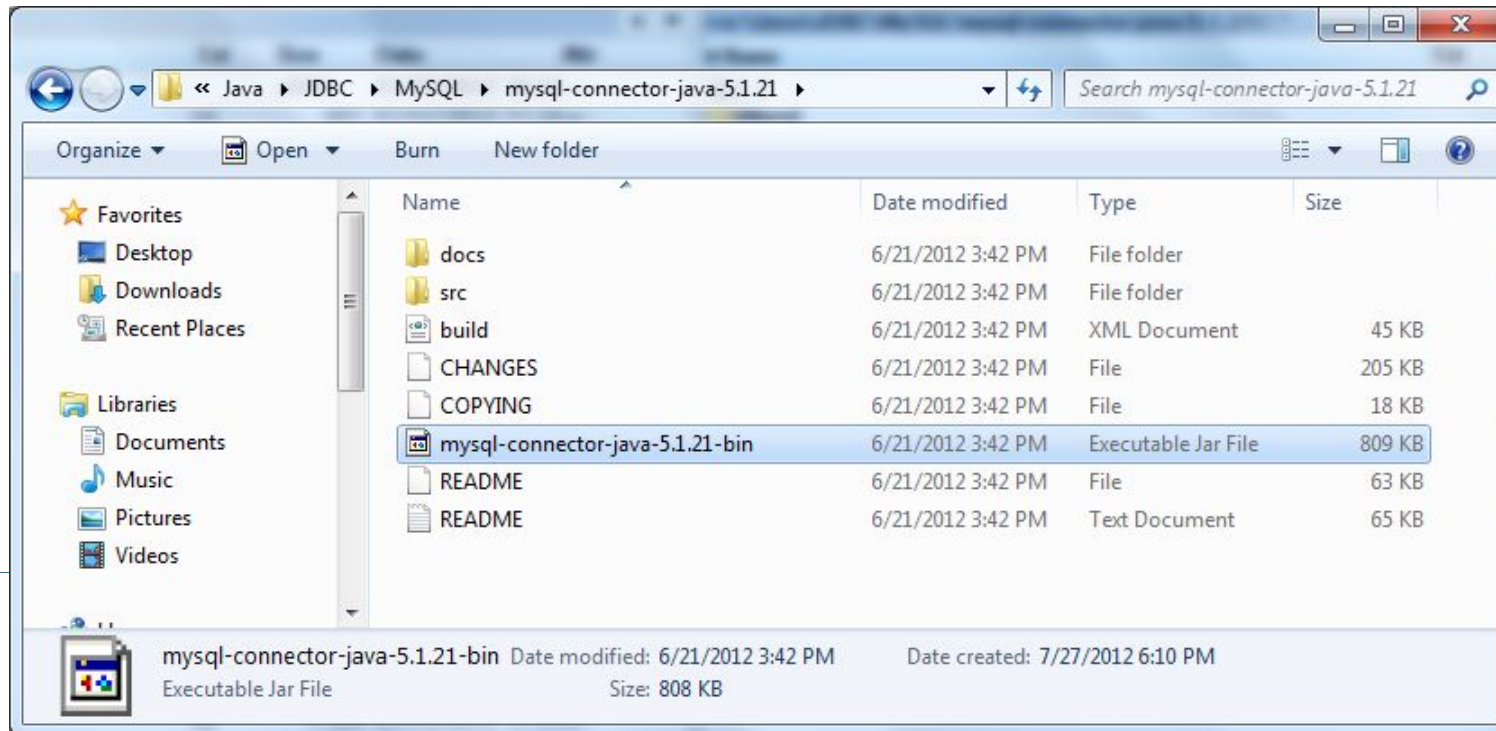
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MySQL Java Database Connectivity Driver

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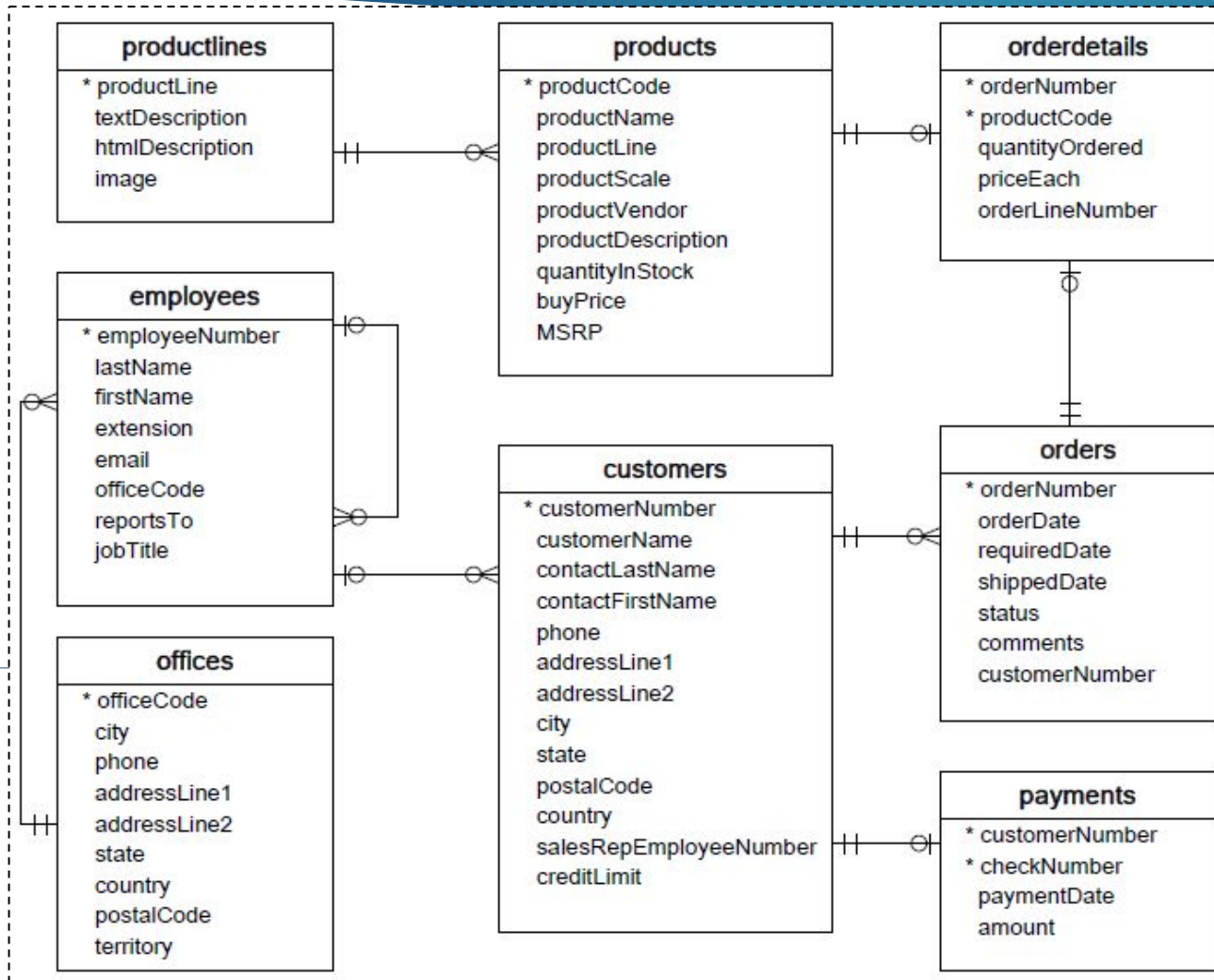
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- ❏ **Step 2:** Extract the ZIP file to a desired location on your computer.



Prerequisite

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We will use the **classicmodels** database as an SQL sample database for the **JDBC demonstration** to help your work with JDBC - SQL effectively. The **classicmodels** database is a retailer of scale models of classic cars. It contains typical business data such as customers, products, sales orders, and sales order line items, etc. See the schema diagram to the left.

IF you do not have classicmodels database. You can find [Lab - 304.1.2 - Download Classicmodels Database](#) on Canvas under the Guided Lab section.

Java Database Connectivity Steps

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1. Load database driver.
2. Open the database connection.
 - a. Database URL.
 - b. Username.
 - c. Password.
3. Send the statement to the database.
 - a. Use **Statement** Class or **PreparedStatement** class.
4. Get the results from the database.
5. Close the Database connection.

Load Database Driver

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Step 1-

The easiest way to load the database driver is to use **`Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver")`** on the class that implements the `java.sql.Driver` interface. Before Java 6, we had to load the driver explicitly by this statement:

```
Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
```

This statement is no longer needed thanks to the new update in JDBC 4.0, which is included in Java 6. As long as you put the MySQL JDBC driver JAR file into your program's classpath, the driver manager can find and load the database driver.

Open Database Connection

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Step 2-

- ❑ JDBC driver classes include the **DriverManager** class, this class provides **getConnection()** **method** for obtaining a connection instance.
- ❑ There are three different signatures of the method **getConnection()**, which we can use:
 - **static Connection getConnection(String url)**
 - **static Connection getConnection(String url, Properties info)**
 - **static Connection getConnection(String url, String dbuser, String dbpassword)**
- ❑ All three versions have a parameter called *url*, which is the database URL.
- ❑ If a connection was made successfully with the database, the **getConnection()** method returns an instance of **Connection class**, which will be used to make queries and perform other database operations.

Step 2 (continued)-

JDBC includes a Connection class: **A Java object that represents a unique connection to a database; often opened by using the methods of the DriverManager class before you can read/write data from/to a database using JDBC:**

- ❑ Allows for storing Database Connection as a variable.
- ❑ Creates a connection via *DriverManager*.

Example:

```
public static void main(String[] args) throws SQLException {
    String dburl = "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/classicmodels";
    String user = "root";
    String password = "password";
    try {
        Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver"); // optional
        Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection(dburl, user, password);
    }
    catch(SQLException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}
```

Sending SQL to the Database

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Step 3-

JDBC Statement:

- ❑ The JDBC Statement is an interface used to execute an SQL query within the database.
- ❑ **A Java object that can be used to execute either database queries or database updates when using JDBC.**
 - ▶ DriverManager -> Connection -> Statement
- ❑ Example - Creating a Statement and executing a Query:

```
String SelectSQL = "Select * FROM employees";  
Statement stmt = conn.createStatement();  
ResultSet result = stmt.executeQuery(SelectSQL);
```

Common Methods of Statement Interface

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Commonly used methods:

- ❑ **boolean execute(String sql)**: executes a general SQL statement. It returns **true** if the query returns a **ResultSet**, and **false** if the query returns an update count or nothing. This method can be used with a **Statement** only.
- ❑ **int executeUpdate(String sql)**: executes an INSERT, UPDATE, or DELETE statement and returns an update account indicating the number of rows affected (e.g., 1 row inserted, 2 rows updated, or 0 rows affected).
- ❑ **ResultSet executeQuery(String sql)**: executes a SELECT statement and returns a **ResultSet** object, which contains results returned by the query.

Step 4-

What is a JDBC ResultSet?

- A Java object that can be created by executing a database query using JDBC that contains records returned by the execution of that query.
- Use this object to iterate over rows in the ResultSet using **next()** method, and get the value of a column in the current row using **getXXX()** methods (e.g. **getString()**, **getInt()**, **getFloat()** and so on). The column value can be retrieved either by index number (1-based) or by column name.

Response From Database

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Step 4 (continued)-

Here is an example of executing a query against a database via JDBC:

```
ResultSet result = stmt.executeQuery(SelectSQL);
while(result.next())
{
    String name = result.getString("firstName");
    String email = result.getString("email");
    System.out.println(name + " | " + email);
}
```

- ❑ JDBC ResultSet Class object.
 - Returned from `Statement.executeQuery()`.
 - List of output data.
 - Separated into columns.
- ❑ Looping through data.
 - `ResultSet.next()`.
- ❑ `ResultSet.getType()`.
 - Use column number (starts at 1).
 - Use column header (i.e., "student_id").
 - Replace [Type] with actual type.
 - ▶ `getString()`, `getInt()`, etc.

Close Database Connection

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Step 5-

When you have completed the JDBC database connection, close the connection again. A JDBC connection can use a lot of sources inside your application and inside the database server. Therefore, it is important to close the database connection again after use. You close a JDBC connection via its **close()** method. Here is an example of closing a JDBC connection:

```
connection.close();
```

Why close a JDBC connection?

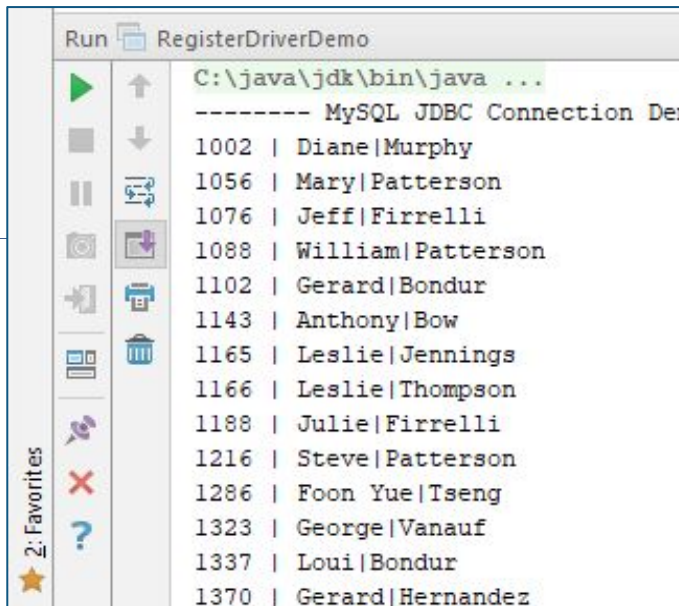
- ❑ If not closed, it would lead to memory leaks.
- ❑ The connection may remain active even after the user logs out.
- ❑ The database server would not be able to provide connections for new requests after it reaches its maximum number of simultaneous connections.
- ❑ It would lead to slow performance.
- ❑ Eventually, the database server will crash.

Example 1: Java Connection With MySQL

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Create a class named **DemoJDBC**, and write the code in the class.

Result:



```
import java.sql.*;  
public class DemoJDBC {  
    public static void main(String[] args) throws ClassNotFoundException {  
        String dburl = "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/classicmodels";  
        String user = "root";  
        String password = "password";  
        System.out.println("----- MySQL JDBC Connection Demo -----");  
        try {  
            Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");  
            Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection(dburl, user, password);  
            String SelectSQL = "Select * FROM employees";  
            Statement stmt = connection.createStatement();  
            ResultSet result = stmt.executeQuery(SelectSQL);  
            while(result.next())  
            {  
                String EmployeeID = result.getString("employeeNumber");  
                String fname = result.getString("firstName");  
                String lname = result.getString("lastName");  
                System.out.println(EmployeeID + " | " + fname + "|" + lname );  
            }  
            connection.close();  
        }  
        catch(SQLException e) {  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Overview of PreparedStatement

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A JDBC PreparedStatement is a special kind of **Java JDBC Statement** object with some useful added features. Remember, you need a statement in order to execute either a **query** or an **update**. You can use a Java JDBC PreparedStatement instead of a statement, and benefit from its added features:

- ❖ Makes it easier to set SQL parameter values.
- ❖ Accepts a query in constructor.
- ❖ Prevents SQL dependency injection attacks (can safely insert variables into SQL).
- ❖ Improves application performance. (when used for multiple executions of the same query, the performance of the PreparedStatement interface is better than the Statement interface).
- ❖ Includes precompiled SQL statements (you can pass parameters to your SQL query at run time).

Using Prepared Statements

- Instead of hard coding your SQL values

```
select * from employees  
where salary > 80000 and department='Legal'
```

- Set parameter placeholders

- Use a question mark for placeholder: ?

```
select * from employees  
where salary > ? and department=?
```

Adding Placeholders to the Statement

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- ❑ PreparedStatement set variables:
 - Use PreparedStatement.set[Type].
 - Replaces ? with data.
 - Accepts position and data.
- ❑ Creating PreparedStatement:

```
public static void getUser(int id) throws SQLException{  
    String sql = "SELECT * FROM users WHERE id = ?";  
    PreparedStatement ps = conn.prepareStatement(sql);  
    ps.setInt(1, id);  
}
```

Methods of PreparedStatement Interface

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The important methods of PreparedStatement Interfaces:

Method	Description
<code>public void setInt(int paramIndex, int value)</code>	Sets the integer value to the given parameter index.
<code>public void setString(int paramIndex, String value)</code>	Sets the String value to the given parameter index.
<code>public void setFloat(int paramIndex, float value)</code>	Sets the float value to the given parameter index.
<code>public void setDouble(int paramIndex, double value)</code>	Sets the double value to the given parameter index.
<code>public int executeUpdate()</code>	The <code>executeUpdate(String SQL)</code> method is most often used to execute DML statements (INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE), and it returns an <i>int</i> value, representing the count of the rows affected by its execution.
<code>public ResultSet executeQuery()</code>	The <code>executeQuery(String SQL)</code> method is used to retrieve data from the database by executing a DQL(SELECT) statement and it returns a <code>ResultSet</code> Object containing data requested by executed SQL statement.

Example 1: PreparedStatement

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```
import java.sql.*;
import java.sql.PreparedStatement;
public class ExamplePrepareStat{
    public static void main (String[] args)throw Exception {
        Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
        String url = "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/classicmodels";
        final String USER = "root";
        final String PASS = "password";
        Connection conn = DriverManager.getConnection(url, "root",
        "password");
        String SelectSQL = "select * from employees where employeeNumber = ?";
        PreparedStatement mystmt = conn.prepareStatement(SelectSQL);
        mystmt.setInt(1, 1002);
        ResultSet result = mystmt.executeQuery();

        while(result.next())
        {
            String name = result.getString("firstName");
            String email = result.getString("email");
            System.out.println(name + " | " + email);
        }
    }
}
```

In this example, we will demonstrate how to use Prepared Statements to get employee information by using **employee id**.

PreparedStatement With DML

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We can use PreparedStatement for:

- Insert statements.
- Update statements.
- Delete statements.

Example 1: PreparedStatement with Insert Statement

```
String sqlQuery = "INSERT INTO EMPLOYEES  
(officeCode,firstName,lastName,email,extension,reportsTo,VacationHours,employeeNumber,jobTitle) VALUES (?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?)";  
prepStmt = con.prepareStatement(sqlQuery);  
prepStmt.setInt(1, 6);  
prepStmt.setString(2, "Jamil");  
prepStmt.setString(3, "fink");  
prepStmt.setString(4, "JJ@gmail.com");  
prepStmt.setString(5, "2759");  
prepStmt.setInt(6, 1143);  
prepStmt.setInt(7, 9);  
prepStmt.setInt(8, 0003);  
prepStmt.setString(9, "Manager");  
int affectedRows = prepStmt.executeUpdate();  
System.out.println(affectedRows + " row(s) affected !!");
```

Example 2: PreparedStatement with Update Statement

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```
String SelectSQL = "update employees set firstName=? , lastName=? where  
employeeNumber=?";
```

```
PreparedStatement mystmt = conn.prepareStatement(SelectSQL);
```

```
mystmt.setString(1, "Gary");
```

```
mystmt.setString(2, "Larson");
```

```
mystmt.setLong (3, 1002);
```

```
mystmt.executeUpdate();
```

Hands-On Lab

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[Click here for LAB 305.1.2 - JDBC - PreparedStatement with DML and DDL.](#)

If you have any technical questions while performing the lab activity, ask your instructors for assistance.

Separate Class for Queries

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- ❑ It is a traditional practice to store all of the SQL queries in a separate class. That class usually contains public, static final string fields that store the queries in a variable.
- ❑ That variable is called later in the PreparedStatement in the class that performs the functionality.

Examples:

```
public class SqlQueries {  
    public final static String GetEmployeeByID="select * from employees where  
employeeNumber=? ";  
    public final static String GetEmployeeBySalary= "select * from employees  
where salary = ?";  
}
```

Separate Class for Queries (continued)

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► WITHOUT the Separate Class

```
// 2. Prepare statement  
myStmt = myConn.prepareStatement("select * from employees where salary > ? and department = ?");  
// 3. Set the parameters  
myStmt.setDouble(1, 80000);  
myStmt.setString(2, "Legal");
```

► WITH the Separate Class

```
PreparedStatement mystmt = conn.prepareStatement(SqlQueries.GetEmpByID);  
mystmt.setInt(1, 1002);  
ResultSet result = mystmt.executeQuery();
```

Hands-On Activity *(optional)*

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Create SQL PreparedStatements that would perform the following functionalities. You can use “classicmodels” database:

- Select all employees whose **officecode** is 1, 4.
- Select all **orderdetails** whose **orderNumber** is 10100, and 10102.
- Update the extension number of employees whose **officecode** is 2, and new extension number will be “5698.”
- Select all employees whose last name is less than 5 characters in length.

JDBC (Java Database Connectivity) is the Java API that manages connecting to a database, issuing queries and commands, and handling result sets obtained from the database.

The steps for connecting to a database with JDBC are as follows:

1. Install or locate the database you want to access.
2. Include the JDBC library.
3. Ensure that the JDBC driver you need is on your classpath.
4. Use the JDBC library to obtain a connection to the database.
5. Use the connection to issue SQL commands.

Both *Statement* and *PreparedStatement* can be used to execute SQL queries. These interfaces look very similar; however, they differ significantly from one another in features and performance:

- *Statement* – **Used to execute string-based SQL queries.**
- *PreparedStatement* – **Used to execute parameterized SQL queries.**

References

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<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/sql/Driver.html>

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/sql/package-summary.html>

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