WEB ENGINEERING

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OVERVIEW

- Connection to the database (MySQL from PHP)
- Separate statement for connecting to server and database.
- Connecting with different databases.
- Sending a query to the database using PHP.

CONNECTION TO THE DATABASE (1/3)

- The first step in a database interaction is connecting to the database. You use a PHP function to connect to the database. To make the connection, you need to supply the function with four things:
- 1. location: Specify the server name where the database is installed. Such as IP address, localhost or domainname .com
- 2. Account name: Specify the correct user name, if you are using web hosting company, you will be given a valid user name and password. Such as "root".
- 3. Password: You have to enter a valid password to access the database. Such as by default root user password is blank.
- 4. Database name: On your MySql server, there may be created many databases, so you need to tell it which database you want to use.

CONNECTION TO THE DATABASE (2/3)

Connects to the MySQL server.

```
mysql_connect ("hostname", "user", "pass")
or die (" Could not connect to localhost ");
```

Example # 1

Example # 2

CONNECTION TO THE DATABASE (3/3)

• You'll need database connection in many places of website. therefore, Create an include file called info.php with the following statements.

```
$host = "localhost";
$user = "root";
$pass = " ";
$db = "University";
$connect = mysql_connect( $host, $user, $pass, $db )
or die ("Could not connect to the server or database
");
```

• Whenever, you need the database connection just type single line statement. Such as

```
<?php include ("info.php"); ?>
```

SEPARATE STATEMENT FOR CONNECTING TO SERVER AND DATABASE (1/2)

• The above statement is equivalent to the MySql command **USE**; makes the selected database the active one.

SEPARATE STATEMENT FOR CONNECTING TO SERVER AND DATABASE (2/2) EXAMPLE

```
• <?php
      $host="localhost";
0
      $user="root";
      $pass="";
      $db="mydb":
0
      $connect= mysql_connect($host,$user,$pass) or
                   ("Could not connect to the server");
 die
      echo "connect to server";
0
      $usedb=mysql_select_db($db) or
                   die("Could not connect to database");
      echo "<br/>br>Use database db";
o?>
```

CONNECTING WITH DIFFERENT DATABASES

Connect to the MySQL database.

```
$connect=mysql_connect ($host, $user, $pass);
$db=msql_select_db($db, $connect);
```

Connect to the postgreSQL database.

```
$connect=pg_connect ("host-$host user-$user
password- $pass dbname- $db ");
```

Connect to the sybase database.

```
$connect=sybase_connect ($host, $user, $pass);
$db=sybaseselect_db($db, $connect);
```

Connect to the Oracle database.

```
$connect= OCILogon ( $user, $pass);
```

SENDING A QUERY TO THE DATABASE USING PHP (1/5)

- After PHP has established a connection to the database, you can perform whatever action you desire, such as get data, change data, or insert new data.
- The SQL query tells the database what action you want to perform.
- See next page...

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM students";
$result = mysql_query ( $sql , $connect );
```

SENDING A QUERY TO THE DATABASE USING PHP (2/5)

- The first statement stores the SQL query in a variable \$sql. The SQL statement gets all the data in the table students.
- The mysql_query function sends the query in \$sql to the database over the database connection established earlier and stored in \$connect. The data temporary stored in rows and columns into \$result.

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM students";
$result = mysql_query ( $sql , $connect );
```

SENDING A QUERY TO THE DATABASE USING PHP (3/5)

• The data is stored in the temporary table in rows and columns. You can use PHP functions to retrieve one row from the table and store it in an array.

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM students";
$result = mysql_query ( $sql , $connect );

$row= mysql_fetch_array( $result) ;
echo "$row[0] $row[1]";
```

• The mysql_fetch_array returns one row of data from the temporary table specified by \$result while \$row is an array containing all the fileds in the temporary table.

SENDING A QUERY TO THE DATABASE USING PHP (4/5)

- o \$row = mysql_fetch_array (\$result);
- o echo \$row[0];
- o 0 means display the data of first field of the table. You can also use to mention the field name such as
- o echo \$row['regno'];
- You can use loop to display many records.

```
while($row = mysql_fetch_array($result))
{
  echo "Regno: $row[0]";
  echo "Name: $row[1]";
}
```

• You can display the MySQL error message by using the mysql_error function.

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM student";
$result = mysql_query($sql) or die("Query failed: ".mysql_error());
$row = mysql_fetch_array($result);
```

• Shows the error message that has been returned directly from the MySQL server.

Query failed: Table 'student' doesn't exist With these statements, when the query fails to execute,

SENDING A QUERY TO THE DATABASE USING PHP (5/5) EXAMPLE

```
<?php include('info.php'); ?>
<?php
     $sql="select * from table2";
     $result=mysql_query($sql);
     while($row=mysql_fetch_array($result))
           echo "<br/>br>". $row['regno'];
           echo $row['name'];
```

PUTS VALUES INTO THE TABLE

```
Syntax:
INSERT INTO table_name(field1,field2,.....)
VALUES(value1,value2.....);
```

```
<?php include('info.php'); ?>
<?php
$insert="insert into student(Regno,Name)
       values(10,'Atif Amin')";
$results= mysql_query($insert) or
die(mysql_error());
echo "Data inserted successfully";
?>
```

ERASES THE DATA FROM YOUR TABLE

```
Syntax:
UPDATE table_name SET field1=value1,
field2=value2..... WHERE field=value;
```

```
<?php include('info.php'); ?>
<?php
$update="UPDATE students SET
name='Bilal'
      WHERE Regno=10";
$results= mysql_query($update) or
die(mysql_error());
echo "Data Updated successfully";
?>
```

THANK YOU!

Referances

• PHP5,MySql,Apache By Wrox