

MYSQL in c++

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Setup and compilation

We begin by including the required library

```
1  #include <mysql/mysql.h>
```

We can then compile with

```
1  g++ -o program -I/usr/include/mariadb -lmariadb program.cc
```

Initialization and deinitialization

We start with the initialization

```
1  mysql_library_init(0, NULL, NULL);
2  MYSQL* connection = mysql_init(NULL);
3
4  const char* host, *user, *password, *db;
5  host = "...";
6  user = "...";
7  password = "...";
8  db = "...";
9
10 connection = mysql_real_connect(connection, host, user,
    ↪ password, db, 0, NULL, 0);
11
12
13 // At the end of the program
14 mysql_close(connection);
15 mysql_library_end();
```

Running a query, getting number of affected rows, and getting the number of columns

```
1  const char* query = "SELECT * FROM S";
2  int err = mysql_query(connection, query);
3
4  // Returns non-zero on failure, zero on success
5  if (err) {
6      const char* e = mysql_error(connection);
7      unsigned int en = mysql_errno(connection);
8      cout << "Error numeric code: " << en << "\t Message: \t" <<
    ↪ e << endl;
9      exit(1);
10 }
11 my_ulonglong affected = mysql_affected_rows(connection);
12 unsigned int fc = mysql_field_count(connection);
13
14 cout << "Affected: " << affected << endl;
15 cout << "Field count: " << fc << endl << endl;
16
```

Errors

Many of the functions return error codes, we also have two functions regarding errors.

```
1 unsigned int mysql_errno(MYSQL *mysql);  
2 const char *mysql_error(MYSQL *mysql);
```

Fetching and processing the result set

```
1  MYSQL_RES* res = mysql_store_result(connection);
2  ull returned = mysql_num_rows(res);
3
4  cout << "Returned: " << returned << endl;
5
6  MYSQL_ROW row;
7  unsigned int num_fields = mysql_num_fields(res);
8  while ( (row = mysql_fetch_row(res)) ) {
9      for (unsigned int i=0; i< num_fields; ++i) {
10         cout << (row[i] ? row[i] : "NULL") << '\t';
11     }
12     cout << endl;
13 }
14 mysql_free_result(res);
```