Java Database Connectivity with MySQL

To connect Java application with the MySQL database, we need to follow 5 following steps.

In this example we are using MySql as the database. So we need to know following informations for the mysql database:

1. **Driver class:** The driver class for the mysql database is **com.mysql.jdbc.Driver**.

2. **Connection URL:** The connection URL for the mysql database is **jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/sonoo** where jdbc is the API, mysql is the database, localhost is the server name on which mysql is running, we may also use IP address, 3306 is the port number and sonoo is the database name. We may use any database, in such case, we need to replace the sonoo with our database name.

3. **Username:** The default username for the mysql database is **root**.

4. **Password:** It is the password given by the user at the time of installing the mysql database. In this example, we are going to use root as the password.

Let's first create a table in the mysql database, but before creating table, we need to create database first.

```
create database sonoo;
use sonoo;
create table emp(id int(10),name varchar(40),age int(3));
```

Example to Connect Java Application with mysql database

In this example, sonoo is the database name, root is the username and password both.

```java
import java.sql.*;
class MysqlCon{
public static void main(String args[]){
try{
Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
Connection con=DriverManager.getConnection(
"jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/sonoo","root","root");
//here sonoo is database name, root is username and password
Statement stmt=con.createStatement();
ResultSet rs=stmt.executeQuery("select * from emp");
while(rs.next())
System.out.println(rs.getInt(1)+"  "+rs.getString(2)+"  "+rs.getString(3));
con.close();
}catch(Exception e){ System.out.println(e);}
}
}
```

The above example will fetch all the records of emp table.

To connect java application with the mysql database, **mysqlconnector.jar** file is required to be loaded.

download the jar file mysql-connector.jar

Two ways to load the jar file:

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2) Set classpath:

There are two ways to set the classpath:

- temporary
- permanent

How to set the temporary classpath

open command prompt and write:

```
C:>set classpath=c:\folder\mysql-connector-java-5.0.8-bin.jar;.;
```

How to set the permanent classpath

Go to environment variable then click on new tab. In variable name write **classpath** and in variable value paste the path to the mysqlconnector.jar file by appending mysqlconnector.jar;.; as C:\folder\mysql-connector-java-5.0.8-bin.jar;.;