

MySQL: Flow-Control Statements

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MySQL Function



- A stored function in MySQL is a set of SQL statements that perform some task/operation and return a single value.
- It is one of the types of stored programs in MySQL.
 When you will create a stored function, make sure that you have a CREATE ROUTINE database privilege.
- Generally, we used this function to encapsulate the common business rules or formulas reusable in stored programs or SQL statements.



MySQL Function



- The stored function is almost similar to the procedure in MySQL, but it has some differences that are as follows:
 - The function parameter may contain only the IN parameter but can't allow specifying this parameter, while the procedure can allow IN, OUT, INOUT parameters.
 - The stored function can return only a single value defined in the function header.
 - The stored function may also be called within SQL statements.
 - It may not produce a result set.







DELIMITER \$\$
 CREATE FUNCTION fun_name(fun_parameter(s))
 RETURNS datatype
 [NOT] {Characteristics}
 fun_body;



MySQL Function



- fun_name
 - It is the name of the stored function that we want to create in a database. It should not be the same as the built-in function name of MySQL.
- fun_parameter
 - It contains the list of parameters used by the function body. It does not allow to specify IN, OUT, INOUT parameters.
- datatype
 - It is a data type of return value of the function. It should any valid MySQL data type.



MySQL Function



- characteristics
 - The CREATE FUNCTION statement only accepted when the characteristics (DETERMINISTIC, NO SQL, or READS SQL DATA) are defined in the declaration.
- fun_body
 - This parameter has a set of SQL statements to perform the operations. It requires at least one RETURN statement.
 - When the return statement is executed, the function will be terminated automatically. The function body is given below: BEGIN -- SQL statements END \$\$ DELIMITER



Example:



- Let us understand how stored function works in MySQL through the example.
- Suppose our database has a table named "customer" that contains the following data:

cust_id	name	occupation	age
101	Peter	Engineer	32
102	Joseph	Developer	30
103	John	Leader	28
104	Stephen	Scientist	45
105	Suzi	Carpenter	26
106	Bob	Actor	25



Example:



```
• DELIMITER $$

    CREATE FUNCTION Customer Occupation (

     age int
RETURNS VARCHAR (20)
• DETERMINISTIC
• BEGIN
     DECLARE customer occupation VARCHAR(20);
     IF age > 35 THEN
          SET customer occupation = 'Scientist';
     ELSEIF (age <= 35 AND
              age >= 30) THEN
          SET customer_occupation = 'Engineer';
     ELSEIF age < 30 THEN
          SET customer occupation = 'Actor';
     END IF;
     -- return the customer occupation
     RETURN (customer occupation);
• END$$
• DELIMITER;
```



Example:



- Now, we are going to see how stored function is called with the SQL statement.
- The following statement uses customer_occupation stored function to get the result:

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SELECT name, age, Customer_Occupation(age) FROM customer ORDER BY age;
```

It will give the output as below.







```
mysql> SELECT name, age, Customer Occupation(age)
    -> FROM customer ORDER BY age;
                   Customer_Occupation(age)
  name
            age
  Bob
              25
                   Actor
  Suzi
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Loop



- Similar to other programming languages MySQL provides support for the flow control statements such as IF, CASE, ITERATE, LEAVE LOOP, WHILE, and REPEAT.
- You can use these statements in the stored programs (procedures), and RETURN in stored functions. You can use one Flow Control Statement with in another.
- The LOOP is a compound MySQL statement which is used to execute a single or set of statements repeatedly.



Iterate



- The ITERATE statement is used to restart the LOOP, REPEAT or, WHILE statements.
- It cannot be used outside these statements.
- Syntax: ITERATE label
- Where, label is the label of the LOOP or, REPEAT or, WHILE statement.



Iterate



DELIMITER // CREATE FUNCTION Sample (bonus INT) **RETURNS INT BEGIN** DECLARE income INT; SET income = 0; myLabel: LOOP SET income = income + bonus; IF income < 10000 THEN ITERATE myLabel; END IF; LEAVE myLabel; END LOOP myLabel; RETURN income; END; // Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.41 sec) mysql> DELIMITER;



Iterate



```
delimiter //
 CREATE procedure proc()
 BEGIN
   DECLARE val INT default 15;
   DECLARE res VARCHAR(255) default ";
   label: LOOP
    IF val < 0 THEN
      LEAVE label;
    END IF;
    SET res = CONCAT(res, val, ',');
    SET val = val -1;
    ITERATE label;
   END LOOP;
   SELECT res;

    END//

 Delimiter;
```



Leave



- The LEAVE statement in MySQL is used to exit the LOOP, REPEAT, WHILE statements or, BEGIN...END statements.
- It cannot be used outside these statements.
- Syntax:
 - LEAVE label
- Where, label is the label of the LOOP or, REPEAT or, WHILE statement.



Leave



```
mysql> Delimiter //

    mysql> CREATE PROCEDURE demo()

   BEGIN
    DECLARE num INT;
    DECLARE str VARCHAR(50);
    SET num = 1;
    SET str = ";
    label: LOOP
    SET num = num + 1;
    IF num > 16 THEN
     LEAVE label;
    END IF;
    IF (num mod 2) THEN
     ITERATE label;
    ELSE
     SET str = CONCAT(str, num, ',');
    END IF;
   END LOOP;
   SELECT str;
   END //
```





- ASCII()
 - The ASCII() function returns the ASCII value for the specific character.
- CHARACTER_LENGTH()
 - The CHAR_LENGTH() function return the length of a string (in characters).
- CONCAT()
 - The CONCAT() function adds two or more expressions together.





- CONCAT_WS()
 - It adds two or more expressions together with a separator.
 - Syntax: CONCAT_WS(separator, expression1, expression2, expression3,...)
- FIELD()
 - The FIELD() function returns the index position of a value in a list of values.
 - This function performs a case-insensitive search.
 - Note: If the specified value is not found in the list of values, this function will return 0. If value is NULL, this function will return 0.
 - SELECT FIELD("q", "s", "q", "l");





- FIND_IN_SET()
 - The FIND_IN_SET() function returns the position of a string within a list of strings.
 - FIND_IN_SET(string, string_list)
 - SELECT Find_in_set("l", "s,q,l");
- FORMAT()
 - It formats a number to a format like
 "#,###,###.##", rounded to a specified number of decimal places, then it returns the result as a string.
 - SELECT format(marks,1) from student;





INSERT()

- It inserts a string within a string at the specified position and for a certain number of characters.
- INSERT(string, position, number, string2)
- SELECT insert(name,3,1,'x') from student;

INSTR()

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- LCASE() / LOWER()
 - It converts a string to lower-case.
- LEFT()
 - It extracts a number of characters from a string (starting from left).
 - select left(name, 3) as name from student;
- RIGHT()
 - It extracts a number of characters from a string (starting from right).
 - select right(name, 3) as name from student;





- LENGTH()
 - It returns the length of a string (in bytes).
- LOCATE() / POSITION()
 - It returns the position of the first occurrence of a substring in a string.
 - If the substring is not found within the original string, this function returns 0.
 - This function performs a case-insensitive search.
 - LOCATE(substring, string, start)
 - select locate('il',name,2) as name from student;





LPAD()

- It left-pads a string with another string, to a certain length.
- LPAD(string, length, lpad_string)
- select lpad(name, 10,'-') as name from student;
- RPAD()
 - It right-pads a string with another string, to a certain length.
 - RPAD(string, length, lpad_string)
 - select rpad(name,10,'-') as name from student;





- LTRIM()
 - It removes leading spaces from a string.
- RTRIM()
 - It removes trailing spaces from a string.
- MID() / SUBSTR() / SUBSTRING()
 - It extracts a substring from a string (starting at any position).
 - MID(string, start, length)
 - select mid(name,1,3) as name from student;





- REPEAT()
 - It repeats a string as many times as specified.
 - select repeat(name,2) as name from student;
- REPLACE()
 - It replaces all occurrences of a substring within a string, with a new substring.
 - Note: This function performs a case-sensitive replacement.
 - REPLACE(string, substring, new_string)
 - select replace(name,'i','ee') as name from student;





- REVERSE()
 - It reverses a string and returns the result.
 - select reverse(name) as name from student;
- SPACE()
 - It returns a string of the specified number of space characters.
 - select space(4) as sps;
- STRCMP()
 - It compares two strings.
 - STRCMP(string1, string2)
 - select strcmp(name, class) as name from student;





- SUBSTRING_INDEX()
 - It returns a substring of a string before a specified number of delimiter occurs.
 - SUBSTRING_INDEX(string, delimiter, number)
 - select substring_index(name,'a',2) as name from student;
- TRIM()
 - It removes leading and trailing spaces from a string.
- UCASE() / UPPER()
 - It converts a string to upper-case.







Function	Usage	Purpose
ABS()	ABS(x)	Returns the absolute value of x
CEILING()	CEILING(x)	Returns the next highest integer based on the value of x
FLOOR()	FLOOR(x)	Returns the integer value of x
FORMAT()	FORMAT(x, d)	Returns x formatted as a number with d decimal places, and commas every three spaces
MOD()	MOD(x, y)	Returns modulus of dividing x by y
RAND()	RAND()	Returns a random number between 0 and 1.0



Numeric Functions



Function	Usage	Purpose
ROUND()	ROUND(x, d)	Returns the number x rounded to d decimal places
SIGN()	SIGN(x)	Returns the sign of a x
SQRT()	SQRT(x)	Calculates the square root of x
TRUNCATE()	TRUNCATE(x, d)	Returns the number x, truncated to d decimals
LEAST()	LEAST(x, y,)	Passed 2 or more arguments, it returns the smallest
GREATEST()	GREATEST(x, y,)	Passed 2 or more arguments, it returns the largest







Function	Usage	Purpose
DATE()	DATE(x)	Extracts the date part of a value
TIME()	TIME(x)	Extracts the time part of a value
HOUR()	HOUR(x)	Returns the hour of a stored value
MINUTE()	MINUTE(x)	Returns the minute of a stored value
SECOND()	SECOND(x)	Returns the second of a stored value
DAYNAME()	DAYNAME(x)	Returns the name of the day of a stored value
DAYOFMONTH()	DAYOFMONTH(x)	Returns the numerical day value of a stored value
MONTHNAME()	MONTHNAME(x)	Returns the name of the month of a stored value







Function	Usage	Purpose
MONTH()	MONTH(x)	Returns the numerical month value of a stored value
YEAR()	YEAR(x)	Returns the year of a stored value
ADDDATE()	ADDDATE(x, INTERVAL t type)	Returns the value of x units added to the stored value
SUBDATE()	SUBDATE(x, INTERVAL t type)	Returns the value of x units subtracted from the stored value
CURDATE()	CURDATE()	Returns the current date
CURTIME()	CURTIME()	Returns the current time
NOW()	NOW()	Returns the current date and time
UNIX_TIMESTAMP()	UNIX_TIMESTAMP (date)	Returns the number of seconds since the Epoch



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