

SQL Server Variable Types

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give me all the detailed names of MSSQL variable types in detailed manner, types like nvarchar(50) and more, all there is

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Microsoft SQL Server (MSSQL) offers a wide range of data types to support the storage of various kinds of data. Here's a detailed list of SQL Server variable types:

Exact Numeric Data Types

1. **bit**: Integer data type that can take a value of 1, 0, or NULL.
2. **tinyint**: Integer data from 0 to 255.
3. **smallint**: Integer data from -32,768 to 32,767.
4. **int**: Integer data from -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647.
5. **bigint**: Integer data from -9,223,372,036,854,775,808 to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807.
6. **decimal(p,s)**: Fixed precision and scale numeric data.
 - `p` (precision) is the maximum total number of decimal digits that can be stored, both to the left and to the right of the decimal point. It ranges from 1 to 38.
 - `s` (scale) is the number of decimal digits that can be stored to the right of the decimal point. Scale must be a value from 0 through p.
7. **numeric(p,s)**: Functionally equivalent to `decimal`.
8. **smallmoney**: Monetary data values from -214,748.3648 to 214,748.3647.
9. **money**: Monetary data values from -922,337,203,685,477.5808 to 922,337,203,685,477.5807.

Approximate Numeric Data Types

1. **float(n)**: Floating precision number data from -1.79E+308 to 1.79E+308.
 - `n` is the number of bits that are used to store the mantissa of the float number in scientific notation, and it affects the precision and storage size.
2. **real**: Floating precision number data from -3.40E+38 to 3.40E+38.

Date and Time Data Types

1. **date**: Stores date data in the format YYYY-MM-DD.
2. **time**: Stores time data based on a 24-hour clock.
3. **datetime**: Stores date and time data in the format YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss[.nnn].
4. **datetime2**: An extension of `datetime` with larger date range and fractional seconds precision.
5. **smalldatetime**: Stores date and time data with less precision than `datetime`.
6. **datetimeoffset**: The same as `datetime2` with the addition of a time zone offset.
7. **timestamp**: Automatically generated unique binary numbers that are guaranteed to be unique within a database.

Character String Data Types

1. **char(n)**: Fixed-length non-Unicode character data with a maximum length of 8,000 characters.
2. **varchar(n)**: Variable-length non-Unicode character data with a maximum length of 8,000 characters.
3. **varchar(max)**: Variable-length non-Unicode character data with a maximum length of 2^31-1 characters.
4. **text**: Variable-length non-Unicode data with a maximum length of 2,147,483,647 characters.
(Deprecated, use `varchar(max)` instead)

Unicode Character String Data Types

1. **nchar(n)**: Fixed-length Unicode character data with a maximum length of 4,000 characters.
2. **nvarchar(n)**: Variable-length Unicode character data with a maximum length of 4,000 characters.
3. **nvarchar(max)**: Variable-length Unicode character data with a maximum length of 2³¹-1 characters.
4. **ntext**: Variable-length Unicode data with a maximum length of 1,073,741,823 characters.
(Deprecated, use `nvarchar(max)` instead)

Binary Data Types

1. **binary(n)**: Fixed-length binary data with a maximum length of 8,000 bytes.
2. **varbinary(n)**: Variable-length binary data with a maximum length of 8,000 bytes.
3. **varbinary(max)**: Variable-length binary data with a maximum length of 2³¹-1 bytes.
4. **image**: Variable-length binary data with a maximum length of 2,147,483,647 bytes. (Deprecated, use `varbinary(max)` instead)

Other Data Types

1. **cursor**: A data type for variables or stored procedure OUTPUT parameters that contain a reference to a cursor.
2. **hierarchyid**: A system data type that represents the position in a hierarchy.
3. **uniqueidentifier**: Stores a globally unique identifier (GUID).
4. **sql_variant**: Stores values of various SQL Server-supported data types.
5. **xml**: Stores XML data. You can store XML instances in a column or a variable of xml type.
6. **table**: Stores a result set for processing later. It is primarily used for temporary storage of a set of rows.
7. **geography**: Stores ellipsoidal (round-earth) data, such as GPS latitude and longitude coordinates.
8. **geometry**: Stores planar (flat-earth) data.

These types cover a wide range of data storage needs, ensuring robust and efficient database management.

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And why do I have access to it?

ChatGPT

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```
this is a SQL dynamic stored procedure please explain this code step by step, please explain  
in details "SET ANSI_NULLS ON  
GO  
SET QUOTED_IDENTIFIER ON  
GO  
ALTER PROCEDURE [dbo].[GetCourseEnrollments]  
@PageIndex int,  
@PageSize int,  
@OrderBy nvarchar(50),  
@CourseName nvarchar(250) = '%',  
@StudentName nvarchar(250) = '%',  
@EnrollmentDateFrom datetime = null,  
@EnrollmentDateTo datetime = null,  
@Total int output,  
@TotalDisplay int output  
  
AS  
BEGIN  
    Declare @sql nvarchar(2000);  
    Declare @counts nvarchar(2000);  
    Declare @paramList nvarchar(MAX);  
    Declare @countparamList nvarchar(MAX);  
  
    SET NOCOUNT ON;  
  
    Select @Total = count(*) from CourseStudent;  
    SET @counts = 'select @TotalDisplay = count(*) from CourseStudent cs inner join  
        Courses c on cs.CourseId = c.Id inner join  
        Students s on cs.StudentId = s.Id where 1=1';  
  
    IF @CourseName IS NOT NULL  
        SET @counts = @counts + ' AND c.Name LIKE "%" + @xCourseName + "%"'  
  
    IF @StudentName IS NOT NULL  
        SET @counts = @counts + ' AND s.Name LIKE "%" + @xStudentName + "%"'  
  
    IF @EnrollmentDateFrom IS NOT NULL  
        SET @counts = @counts + ' AND EnrollDate >= @xEnrollmentDateFrom'  
  
    IF @EnrollmentDateTo IS NOT NULL  
        SET @counts = @counts + ' AND EnrollDate <= @xEnrollmentDateTo'  
  
    SET @sql = 'select c.Name as CourseName, s.Name as StudentName, EnrollDate from  
    CourseStudent cs inner join  
        Courses c on cs.CourseId = c.Id inner join  
        Students s on cs.StudentId = s.Id where 1=1';  
  
    IF @CourseName IS NOT NULL  
        SET @sql = @sql + ' AND c.Name LIKE "%" + @xCourseName + "%"'  
  
    IF @StudentName IS NOT NULL  
        SET @sql = @sql + ' AND s.Name LIKE "%" + @xStudentName + "%"'  
  
    IF @EnrollmentDateFrom IS NOT NULL  
        SET @sql = @sql + ' AND EnrollDate >= @xEnrollmentDateFrom'  
  
    IF @EnrollmentDateTo IS NOT NULL  
        SET @sql = @sql + ' AND EnrollDate <= @xEnrollmentDateTo'  
  
    SET @sql = @sql + ' Order by +' + @OrderBy + ' OFFSET @PageSize * (@PageIndex - 1)  
    ROWS FETCH NEXT @PageSize ROWS ONLY';  
  
    SELECT @countparamlist = '@xCourseName nvarchar(250),  
        @xStudentName nvarchar(250),  
        @xEnrollmentDateFrom datetime,  
        @xEnrollmentDateTo datetime,  
        @TotalDisplay int output';  
  
    exec sp_executesql @counts, @countparamlist,  
        @CourseName,  
        @StudentName,  
        @EnrollmentDateFrom,  
        @EnrollmentDateTo,
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@TotalDisplay = @TotalDisplay output;

SELECT @paramlist = '@xCourseName nvarchar(250),
@xStudentName nvarchar(250),
@xEnrollmentDateFrom datetime,
@xEnrollmentDateTo datetime,
@PageIndex int,
@PageSize int';

exec sp_executesql @sql , @paramlist ,
@CourseName,
@StudentName,
@EnrollmentDateFrom,
@EnrollmentDateTo,
@PageIndex,
@PageSize;

print @countsqI;
print @sqI;

END"

```

ChatGPT

Sure, I'll break down the SQL dynamic stored procedure step by step, explaining each part in detail.

1. Setting ANSI_NULLS and QUOTED_IDENTIFIER

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SET ANSI_NULLS ON
GO
SET QUOTED_IDENTIFIER ON
GO

```

- `SET ANSI_NULLS ON`: Controls how NULL comparisons are handled. When ON, comparisons to NULL using `=`` or `<>` always return false.
- `SET QUOTED_IDENTIFIER ON`: Allows the use of double quotes for delimited identifiers, such as table or column names.

2. Altering the Procedure

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ALTER PROCEDURE [dbo].[GetCourseEnrollments]
@PageIndex int,
@PageSize int,
@OrderBy nvarchar(50),
@CourseName nvarchar(250) = '%',
@StudentName nvarchar(250) = '%',
@EnrollmentDateFrom datetime = null,
@EnrollmentDateTo datetime = null,
@Total int output,
@TotalDisplay int output

```

- `ALTER PROCEDURE [dbo].[GetCourseEnrollments]`: Alters or creates a stored procedure named `GetCourseEnrollments`.
- Parameters:
 - `@PageIndex` and `@PageSize` are used for pagination.
 - `@OrderBy` specifies the column to order by.
 - `@CourseName` and `@StudentName` are filter criteria with default wildcard values for LIKE queries.
 - `@EnrollmentDateFrom` and `@EnrollmentDateTo` are optional date filters.
 - `@Total` and `@TotalDisplay` are output parameters to return counts.

3. Variable Declarations

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BEGIN
    Declare @sqI nvarchar(2000);
    Declare @countsqI nvarchar(2000);

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Declare @countsql nvarchar(2000);
Declare @paramList nvarchar(MAX);
Declare @countparamList nvarchar(MAX);

SET NOCOUNT ON;

```

- Declares variables to hold the dynamic SQL queries and parameter lists.
- `SET NOCOUNT ON`: Stops the message indicating the number of rows affected by a T-SQL statement, which can improve performance.

4. Initial Count Calculation

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Select @Total = count(*) from CourseStudent;
```

- Sets `@Total` to the total number of records in the `CourseStudent` table.

5. Constructing the Count Query

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```

SET @countsq = 'select @TotalDisplay = count(*) from CourseStudent cs inner join
Courses c on cs.CourseId = c.Id inner join
Students s on cs.StudentId = s.Id where 1 = 1';

IF @CourseName IS NOT NULL
SET @countsq = @countsq + ' AND c.Name LIKE ''%'' + @xCourseName + ''%'''

IF @StudentName IS NOT NULL
SET @countsq = @countsq + ' AND s.Name LIKE ''%'' + @xStudentName + ''%'''

IF @EnrollmentDateFrom IS NOT NULL
SET @countsq = @countsq + ' AND EnrollDate >= @xEnrollmentDateFrom'

IF @EnrollmentDateTo IS NOT NULL
SET @countsq = @countsq + ' AND EnrollDate <= @xEnrollmentDateTo'

```

- Constructs a dynamic SQL string to count filtered records.
- Conditions are appended based on the presence of `@CourseName`, `@StudentName`, `@EnrollmentDateFrom`, and `@EnrollmentDateTo`.

6. Constructing the Main Query

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```

SET @sql = 'select c.Name as CourseName, s.Name as StudentName, EnrollDate from C
Courses c on cs.CourseId = c.Id inner join
Students s on cs.StudentId = s.Id where 1 = 1';

IF @CourseName IS NOT NULL
SET @sql = @sql + ' AND c.Name LIKE ''%'' + @xCourseName + ''%'''

IF @StudentName IS NOT NULL
SET @sql = @sql + ' AND s.Name LIKE ''%'' + @xStudentName + ''%'''

IF @EnrollmentDateFrom IS NOT NULL
SET @sql = @sql + ' AND EnrollDate >= @xEnrollmentDateFrom'

IF @EnrollmentDateTo IS NOT NULL
SET @sql = @sql + ' AND EnrollDate <= @xEnrollmentDateTo'

SET @sql = @sql + ' Order by '+@orderBy+' OFFSET @PageSize * (@PageIndex - 1)
ROWS FETCH NEXT @PageSize ROWS ONLY';

```

- Constructs a dynamic SQL string to select filtered records with pagination.
- The query includes `ORDER BY` and `OFFSET`/`FETCH` clauses for pagination.

7. Parameter List for Count Query

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```
SELECT @countparamlist = '@xCourseName nvarchar(250),  
        @xStudentName nvarchar(250),  
        @xEnrollmentDateFrom datetime,  
        @xEnrollmentDateTo datetime,  
        @TotalDisplay int output';
```

- Prepares a parameter list string for the count query.

8. Executing the Count Query

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```
exec sp_executesql @countsq , @countparamlist ,  
        @CourseName,  
        @StudentName,  
        @EnrollmentDateFrom,  
        @EnrollmentDateTo,  
        @TotalDisplay = @TotalDisplay output;
```

- Executes the dynamic count query using `sp_executesql`, passing the constructed query string and parameters.

9. Parameter List for Main Query

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```
SELECT @paramlist = '@xCourseName nvarchar(250),  
        @xStudentName nvarchar(250),  
        @xEnrollmentDateFrom datetime,  
        @xEnrollmentDateTo datetime,  
        @PageIndex int,  
        @PageSize int';
```

- Prepares a parameter list string for the main query.

10. Executing the Main Query

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```
exec sp_executesql @sql , @paramlist ,  
        @CourseName,  
        @StudentName,  
        @EnrollmentDateFrom,  
        @EnrollmentDateTo,  
        @PageIndex,  
        @PageSize;
```

- Executes the dynamic main query using `sp_executesql`, passing the constructed query string and parameters.

11. Printing the Queries (for debugging)

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```
print @countsq;  
print @sql;  
END
```

- Prints the constructed SQL queries for debugging purposes.

This stored procedure dynamically constructs and executes SQL queries based on the provided parameters to fetch paginated enrollment records and count the total and filtered records. The use of dynamic SQL allows for flexible query construction based on optional filtering criteria.

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