

Problem 2253: Dynamic Unpivoting of a Table

Problem Information

Difficulty: Hard

Acceptance Rate: 69.01%

Paid Only: Yes

Tags: Database

Problem Description

Table: `Products`

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+-----+-----+ | Column Name | Type | +-----+-----+ | product_id | int | |
store_name1 | int | | store_name2 | int | | : | int | | : | int | | : | int | | store_namen | int |
+-----+-----+ product_id is the primary key for this table. Each row in this table
indicates the product's price in n different stores. If the product is not available in a store, the
price will be null in that store's column. The names of the stores may change from one
testcase to another. There will be at least 1 store and at most 30 stores.
```

****Important note:**** This problem targets those who have a good experience with SQL. If you are a beginner, we recommend that you skip it for now.

Implement the procedure `UnpivotProducts` to reorganize the `Products` table so that each row has the id of one product, the name of a store where it is sold, and its price in that store. If a product is not available in a store, do ****not**** include a row with that `product_id` and `store` combination in the result table. There should be three columns: `product_id`, `store`, and `price`.

The procedure should return the table after reorganizing it.

Return the result table in ****any order****.

The query result format is in the following example.

****Example 1:****

****Input:**** Products table: +-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+ | product_id | LC_Store | Nozama | Shop | Souq | +-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+ | 1 | 100 | null | 110 | null | | 2 | null | 200 | null | 190 | | 3 | null | null | 1000 | 1900 | +-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+

****Output:**** +-----+-----+-----+ | product_id | store | price | +-----+-----+-----+ | 1 | LC_Store | 100 | | 1 | Shop | 110 | | 2 | Nozama | 200 | | 2 | Souq | 190 | | 3 | Shop | 1000 | | 3 | Souq | 1900 | +-----+-----+-----+ ****Explanation:**** Product 1 is sold in LC_Store and Shop with prices of 100 and 110 respectively. Product 2 is sold in Nozama and Souq with prices of 200 and 190. Product 3 is sold in Shop and Souq with prices of 1000 and 1900.

Code Snippets

MySQL:

```
CREATE PROCEDURE UnpivotProducts()
BEGIN
# Write your MySQL query statement below.

END
```

MS SQL Server:

```
CREATE PROCEDURE UnpivotProducts AS
BEGIN
/* Write your T-SQL query statement below. */

END
```

Oracle:

```
/* Important: For this problem, column names are case sensitive.
You should use double quotes while using the columns.
*/
CREATE FUNCTION UnpivotProducts
RETURN SYS_REFCURSOR IS result SYS_REFCURSOR;
BEGIN
/* Write your PL/SQL query statement below */

RETURN result;
END;
```