## **Assignment on Loop Statement**

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## **SQL Loop Statement**

The LOOP statement allows to execute one or more statements repeatedly.

Here is the basic syntax of the LOOP statement:

```
[begin_label:] LOOP
statement_list
END LOOP [end_label]
```

The LOOP can have optional labels at the beginning and end of the block.

The LOOP executes the statement\_list repeatedly. The statement\_list may have one or more statements, each terminated by a semicolon (;) statement delimiter.

Typically, we terminate the loop when a condition is satisfied by using the LEAVE statement.

This is the typical syntax of the LOOP statement used with LEAVE statement:

The LEAVE statement immediately exits the loop. It works like the break statement in other programming languages like C/C++, and Java.

In addition to the LEAVE statement, we can use the ITERATE statement to skip the current loop iteration and start a new iteration. The ITERATE is like the continue statement in PHP, C/C++, and Java.

## **Example**

The following statement creates a stored procedure that uses a LOOP statement:

```
DROP PROCEDURE LoopDemo;
DELIMITER $$
CREATE PROCEDURE LoopDemo()
BEGIN
      DECLARE x INT;
      DECLARE str VARCHAR(255);
      SET x = 1;
      SET str = ";
      loop_label: LOOP
             IF x > 10 THEN
                    LEAVE loop_label;
             END IF;
             SET x = x + 1;
             IF (x mod 2) THEN
                    ITERATE loop_label;
             ELSE
                    SET str = CONCAT(str,x,',');
             END IF;
      END LOOP;
      SELECT str;
END$$
DELIMITER;
```

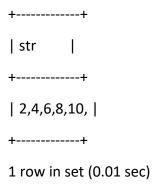
## In this example:

- 1. The stored procedure constructs a string from the even numbers e.g., 2, 4, and 6.
- 2. The loop\_label before the LOOP statement for using with the ITERATE and LEAVE statements.
- 3. If the value of x is greater than 10, the loop is terminated because of the LEAVE statement.
- 4. If the value of the x is an odd number, the ITERATE ignores everything below it and starts a new loop iteration.
- 5. If the value of the x is an even number, the block in the ELSE statement will build the result string from even numbers.

The following statement calls the stored procedure:

CALL LoopDemo();

Here is the output:



Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.02 sec)

So, we have learned how to use the MySQL LOOP statement to execute a block of code repeatedly based on a condition.