SQL/PSM

Procedures Stored in the Database General-Purpose Programming

Stored Procedures

- PSM, or "persistent, stored modules," allows us to store procedures as database schema elements.
- PSM = a mixture of conventional statements (if, while, etc.) and SQL.
- Lets us do things we cannot do in SQL alone.

Basic PSM Form

```
CREATE PROCEDURE < name > (
    <parameter list> )
 <optional local declarations>
 <body>;
Function alternative:
CREATE FUNCTION < name > (
    <parameter list> ) RETURNS <type>
```

Parameters in PSM

- Unlike the usual name-type pairs in languages like C, PSM uses modename-type triples, where the *mode* can be:
 - IN = procedure uses value, does not change value.
 - OUT = procedure changes, does not use.
 - INOUT = both.

Example: Stored Procedure

- ◆Let's write a procedure that takes two arguments b and p, and adds a tuple to Sells(bar, beer, price) that has bar = 'Joe's Bar', beer = b, and price = p.
 - Used by Joe to add to his menu more easily.

The Procedure

CREATE PROCEDURE JoeMenu (

```
IN b CHAR(20), Parameters are both read-only, not changed
```

INSERT INTO Sells
VALUES('Joe''s Bar', b, p);

The body --- a single insertion

Invoking Procedures

- Use SQL/PSM statement CALL, with the name of the desired procedure and arguments.
- Example:

```
CALL JoeMenu ('Moosedrool', 5.00);
```

Functions used in SQL expressions wherever a value of their return type is appropriate.

Types of PSM statements --- (1)

- RETURN <expression> sets the return value of a function.
 - Unlike C, etc., RETURN does not terminate function execution.
- DECLARE <name> <type> used to declare local variables.
- BEGIN . . . END for groups of statements.
 - Separate statements by semicolons.

Types of PSM Statements --- (2)

Assignment statements:

```
SET <variable> = <expression>;
```

- Example: SET b = 'Bud';
- Statement labels: give a statement a label by prefixing a name and a colon.

IF Statements

Simplest form:

```
IF < condition > THEN
             <statements(s)>
     END IF;
Add ELSE <statement(s)> if desired, as
     IF . . . THEN . . . ELSE . . . END IF:
Add additional cases by ELSEIF
 <statements(s)>: IF ... THEN ... ELSEIF ...
 ELSEIF ... ELSE ... END IF;
```

Example: IF

- Let's rate bars by how many customers they have, based on Frequents(drinker,bar).
 - <100 customers: 'unpopular'.</p>
 - 100-199 customers: 'average'.
 - >= 200 customers: 'popular'.
- Function Rate(b) rates bar b.

Example: IF (continued)

```
CREATE FUNCTION Rate (IN b CHAR(20))
                                            Number of
      RETURNS CHAR(10)
                                            customers of
      DECLARE cust INTEGER;
                                           bar b
  BEGIN
      SET cust = (SELECT COUNT(*) FROM Frequents
                   WHERE bar = b);
      IF cust < 100 THEN RETURN 'unpopular'
      ELSEIF cust < 200 THEN RETURN 'average'
      ELSE RETURN 'popular'
                                                 Nested
                                                 IF statement
                   Return occurs here, not at
                   one of the RETURN statements
```

Loops

- Basic form:
 - LOOP <statements> END LOOP;
- Exit from a loop by:
 LEAVE < loop name >
- The <loop name> is associated with a loop by prepending the name and a colon to the keyword LOOP.

Example: Exiting a Loop

```
Ioop1: LOOP

. . . .

LEAVE Ioop1; ← If this statement is executed . . .

. . .

END LOOP;

← Control winds up here
```

Other Loop Forms

- WHILE <condition> DO <statements> END WHILE;
- REPEAT < statements > UNTIL < condition > END REPEAT;

Queries

- General SELECT-FROM-WHERE queries are *not* permitted in PSM.
- There are three ways to get the effect of a query:
 - 1. Queries producing one value can be the expression in an assignment.
 - 2. Single-row SELECT . . . INTO.
 - 3. Cursors.

Example: Assignment/Query

◆If p is a local variable and Sells(bar, beer, price) the usual relation, we can get the price Joe charges for Bud by:

```
SET p = (SELECT price FROM Sells
WHERE bar = 'Joe''s Bar' AND
beer = 'Bud');
```

SELECT . . . INTO

- ◆An equivalent way to get the value of a query that is guaranteed to return one tuple is by placing INTO <variable> after the SELECT clause.
- Example:

```
SELECT price INTO p FROM Sells
WHERE bar = 'Joe''s Bar' AND
beer = 'Bud';
```

Cursors

- ◆A cursor is essentially a tuple-variable that ranges over all tuples in the result of some query.
- ◆Declare a cursor c by:
 DECLARE c CURSOR FOR <query>;

Opening and Closing Cursors

◆To use cursor c, we must issue the command:

OPEN c;

- The query of c is evaluated, and c is set to point to the first tuple of the result.
- When finished with c, issue command: CLOSE c;

Fetching Tuples From a Cursor

To get the next tuple from cursor c, issue command:

FETCH FROM c INTO x1, x2,...,xn;

- The x's are a list of variables, one for each component of the tuples referred to by c.
- c is moved automatically to the next tuple.

Breaking Cursor Loops --- (1)

- The usual way to use a cursor is to create a loop with a FETCH statement, and do something with each tuple fetched.
- A tricky point is how we get out of the loop when the cursor has no more tuples to deliver.

Breaking Cursor Loops --- (2)

- Each SQL operation returns a status, which is a 5-digit number.
 - For example, 00000 = "Everything OK," and 02000 = "Failed to find a tuple."
- ◆In PSM, we can get the value of the status in a variable called SQLSTATE.

Breaking Cursor Loops --- (3)

- We may declare a condition, which is a boolean variable that is true if and only if SQLSTATE has a particular value.
- Example: We can declare condition NotFound to represent 02000 by:

```
DECLARE NotFound CONDITION FOR SQLSTATE '02000';
```

Breaking Cursor Loops --- (4)

The structure of a cursor loop is thus:

```
cursorLoop: LOOP
 FETCH c INTO ...;
 IF NotFound THEN LEAVE cursorLoop;
 END IF;
END LOOP;
```

Example: Cursor

- Let's write a procedure that examines Sells(bar, beer, price), and raises by \$1 the price of all beers at Joe's Bar that are under \$3.
 - Yes, we could write this as a simple UPDATE, but the details are instructive anyway.

The Needed Declarations

```
CREATE PROCEDURE JoeGouge()
                                       Used to hold
  DECLARE theBeer CHAR(20);
                                       beer-price pairs
                                       when fetching
  DECLARE the Price REAL;
                                       through cursor c
  DECLARE NotFound CONDITION FOR
     SQLSTATE '02000';
                                    Returns Joe's menu
  DECLARE c CURSOR FOR
     (SELECT beer, price FROM Sells
      WHERE bar = 'Joe''s Bar');
```

The Procedure Body

```
BEGIN
                                             Check if the recent
  OPEN c;
                                              FETCH failed to
  menuLoop: LOOP
                                             get a tuple
      FETCH c INTO theBeer, thePrice;
      IF NotFound THEN LEAVE menuLoop END IF;
       IF the Price < 3.00 THEN
         UPDATE Sells SET price = thePrice + 1.00
         WHERE bar = 'Joe''s Bar' AND beer = theBeer;
       END IF;
  END LOOP;
                              If Joe charges less than $3 for
  CLOSE c;
                              the beer, raise it's price at
END;
                              Joe's Bar by $1.
```