SQL Stored Procedures and the SQL Procedure Language

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Stored Procedures: What, Why, Who?

What We Will Cover

Introduction

- Who, What, Why
- Application Modernization
- Creating Stored Procedures
- SQL Procedure Language
 - Language Syntax and Capabilities
- Creating UDFs
- IBM i Considerations
- Examples from the trenches (time permitting)

What Are Stored Procedures?

Any program object on IBM i

- Known to DB2 via CREATE PROCEDURE statement
- 2 types:
 - SQL (written in SQL/PL)
 - External (RPG, CL, any language)
 - We will focus on SQL stored procedures
- Can be called from any environment that supports SQL
- Can have parameters for input / output
- Can return result sets
- Can be selected from the database repository
 - SELECT * FROM QSYS2/SYSPROCS WHERE ROUTINE_SCHEMA = 'MYLIBR'

What is SQL/PL?

- SQL Procedure Language
- Allows SQL scripts to be built
 - > Any SQL statements, plus variables, conditions, loops, etc.
 - Data-centric programming
- DB2 SQL/PL is proprietary
 - but all major DB vendors have proprietary PL
- Compiled using an SQL client (ACS recommended)
- Generates an ILE/C language program, with embedded SQL calls

Simple example - sp_Cust

```
create or replace procedure jvalance.sp cust ()
language sql
result sets 1
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begin
    -- declare the cursor for the select statement
   declare c1 cursor with return for
        select trim(STATE) as STATE,
                ZIP,
                CUST id,
                COMPANY,
                trim(LASTNAME) || ', ' || trim(FIRSTNAME) AS NAME
        from zendsvr6.sp cust
        where COUNTRY = 'US'
        order by STATE, ZIP;
    -- open the cursor to return results to the caller
```

open c1;



Running sp_Cust from ACS

• ACS = Access Client Solutions

- Formerly known as Client Access
- Has an SQL client which is perfect for developing stored procedures on IBM i

```
755 -- Testing:
756 call jvalance.sp_cust();
757
```

STATE	ZIP	CUST_ID	COMPANY	NAME
AL	30696	3042	Gold Coast Supply	Falls, Elaine
AL	32145	2984	Professional Divers, Ltd.	Mathers, Shirley
AL	32145	3041	Divers of Blue-green	Bean, Nancy
CA	90410	3984	Blue Glass Happiness	Taylor, Christine
CA	90740	3054	Catamaran Dive Club	Dupont, Nicole
CA	91770	3053	American SCUBA Supply	Cinciripini, Lynn
CA	92195	3052	Underwater Sports Co.	Walling, Dave
CA	95443	3051	San Pablo Dive Center	O'Brien, Patricia
FL	30643	6312	Aquatic Drama	Owen, Gillian
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What Can I Build with SQL/PL?

- Stored procedures
- User Defined Functions (UDF)
- Triggers before & after (add/change/delete)

Redbooks / References

New Redbook - April 2016!!

- SQL Procedures, Triggers, and Functions on IBM DB2 for i
 - http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg248326.html
 - Download the PDF!!
- Also:
 - DB2 for i SQL reference <u>https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/ssw_ibm_i_72/db2/rbafzpdf.pdf</u>
 - SQL Programming Guide:

https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/ssw_ibm_i_73/sqlp/rbafypdf.pdf



Building Procedures with SQL/PL



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                COMPANY,
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                CUST_id,
                COMPANY,
                trim(LASTNAME) || ', ' || trim(FIRS
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        from zendsvr6.sp cust
        where COUNTRY = 'US'
        order by STATE, ZIP;
    -- open the cursor to return results to the caller
    open c1;
end;
```

SQL = Declarative Programming

- Procedural programming (RPG)
 - Specify how to get the data
- Declarative programming (SQL)
 - Specify what you want from the database
 - Database will figure out the most efficient way to execute
- Always select from PF / Table, not LF or View
- Database will create an access plan at run time
- Create indices (LFs) to improve performance
 - SQL Performance Center in ACS
 - Help with DB tuning based on runtime analysis

Compiling and Running

Need to use an SQL Client to run the CREATE PROCEDURE

- SQL client choices
 - ACS = Access Client Solutions (** best choice **)
 - Green screen STRSQL (awkward) 5
 - Eclipse Data Tools plug-in for RDi, Zend Studio, etc. (pretty good)
 - Other SQL Clients JDBC, ODBC (ex.: <u>http://www.sql-workbench.net/</u>)

- Biggest issue is handling output parameters
 - ACS or Client Access handles this well
 - ACS / CA also gives best diagnostic messages
- ACS is FREE!!
 - https://www-03.ibm.com/systems/power/software/i/access/solutions.html

Where To Put Source Code?

Store your source code in an .sql file

- On your PC
 - With ACS installed, double click to open and run
- On IBM i IFS
 - Use an IDE like Eclipse, RDi, Zend Studio
 - Includes SQL syntax highlighting
 - May need to install Data Tools Platform SQL Dev Tools (help menu... Install New Software)
 - Can open IFS file in ACS
 - Right click... Open With... System Editor
- SRCPF ? (maybe, but not for me)
 - SEU? (really??)

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RUNSQLSTM or STRSQL (hmmm...)

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> 🖗 Composer	1.0.2.201412171
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> 🖗 Data Tools Platform Connectivity	1.12.0.v20140600
> 🖗 Data Tools Platform Enablement for JDBC	1.12.0.v20140600
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Running from PHP

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     State
     Zip Code
     Cust Num
     Customer Name
     Company
  <?php
  $conn = db2 connect(DBHOST,DBUSER, DBPSWD);
  $sql = "call jvalance.sp_cust()";
  $stmt = db2_prepare($conn, $sql);
  db2 execute($stmt);
  while ($row = db2 fetch assoc($stmt)) {
     display row( $row );
  }
  db2_close ( $conn );
  ?>
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Running from PHP

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Running from Excel

Use MS Query, and edit SQL directly: call sp_cust()

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Adding Parameters

Add 2 input parameters: State and Country filters

- Add to parameter list
- Add to WHERE clause to serve as result filters

```
create or replace procedure jvalance.sp_cust_parm (
    IN in_State char(2),
    IN in_Country varchar(20)
}
language sql
result sets 1
begin
    declare c1 cursor with return for
    select * from zendsvr6.sp_cust
    where STATE = in_State
    and COUNTRY = in_Country;
    open c1;
end
```

- Separate multiple parameters with commas
- Can all go on one line, but easier to read on separate lines



Types of Parameters

- IN = Input
- OUT = Output
- INOUT = Input and Output

```
create procedure sp_SaveOrderHeader (
    IN in_CustNum dec(8,0),
    IN in_ShipTo dec(4,0),
    INOUT io_OrderNum dec(12,0),
    OUT out_message varchar(150)
)
```



Run / Test SP with Parameters





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    IN in Country varchar(20)
language sql
result sets 1
begin
    declare c1 cursor with return for
    select cu.*,
    from zendsvr6.sp cust cu
    where (trim(in_State) = '' or trim(STATE) = trim(in_State))
            (trim(in Country) = '' or trim(COUNTRY) = trim(in Country))
    and
    open c1;
end
```

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    where
            (trim(in Country) = '' or trim(COUNTRY) = trim(in Country))
    and
                 818 call jvalance.sp_cust_parm('HI', <sup>1</sup>US');
                 g19 call jvalance.sp cust parm('OR', '');
    open c1;
                 820 call jvalance.sp cust parm('', 'Canada');
end
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                        1624 Makai SCUBA Club
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                                                            US
                      2135 Frank's Divers Supply
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                      5165 Larry's Diving School
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                      6812 Waterspout SCUBA Center OR
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                       2156 Davy Jones' Locker BC
                                                         Canada
                       4531On-Target SCUBA Manitoba Canada
```

Beware Procedure Signatures!!

Procedure Overloading

• Two or more procedures with same name, but different signatures

Procedure Signature

- Name + Number of Parameters (data type irrelevant)
 - Ex.: these have different signatures
 - MyProc(char(5), int)
 - MyProc(int)
 - these have same signature:
 - MyProc(char(5))
 - MyProc(int)
- Can cause a lot of confusion
- DROP PROCEDURE explicitly using Navigator... Databases
 - Drill down to procedures



SQL/PL Basics



Trimming Input Search Parms

• All the trim() function calls make the code harder to read

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   from zendsvr6.sp cust cu
            (trim(in State) = '' or trim(STATE) = trim(in State))
   where
            (trim(in Country) = '' or trim(COUNTRY) = trim(in Country))
    and
   open c1;
end
```

• Let's create some variables to hold the trimmed values for reuse

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Declaring/Using Variables

• Create variables to hold trimmed() input values



end

Declaring/Using Variables

• Create variables to hold trimmed() input values

```
begin
                                                   Declare variables
   declare wk state char(2);
                                                    before cursors
   declare wk country varchar(20);
   declare c1 cursor with return for
   select
            *
   from
           zendsvr6.sp cust
   where (wk_state = '' or trim(STATE) = wk_state)
            (wk_country = '' or trim(COUNTRY) = wk_country));
   and
   set wk state = trim(in State);
   set wk country = trim(in Country);
   open c1;
```

end



Declaring/Using Variables

• Create variables to hold trimmed() input values



end

sp_Get_Cust_Name More Features of SQL/PL



Running sp_Get_Cust_Name



Running sp_Get_Cust_Name

```
850 call jvalance.sp_Get_Cust_Name(1231, ?, ?);
851 call jvalance.sp_Get_Cust_Name(1384, ?, ?);
852 call jvalance.sp_Get_Cust_Name(34876, ?, ?);
853
```

```
[ Sat Apr 08 21:01:10 EDT 2017 ] Run Selected...
```

```
> call jvalance.sp_Get_Cust_Name(1384, ?, ?)
```

```
Return Code = 0
```

```
Output Parameter #2('OUT_CUST_NAME') = Russell Christopher
Output Parameter #3('OUT_MESSAGE') = <NULL>
```

```
Statement ran successfully (99 ms)
```

Messages

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Running sp_Get_Cust_Name - ERROR



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User Defined Functions (UDFs)



User Defined Functions

Two types:

- User Defined Scalar Functions
- User Defined Table Functions
- We will focus on scalar functions
 - Like BIFs or SQL scalar functions
 - SUBSTRING('hello world', 7) => returns 'world'
 - STRIP(' blank on both ends ') => returns 'blank on both ends'
 - UPPER('hello') => returns 'HELLO'
 - Can be used in
 - Expressions
 - Ex: if upper(in_ShowPricing) = 'Y' then...
 - Select lists as computed columns
 - Ex: select substring(COMPANY, 1, 5) as COMP_SHORT from SP_CUST

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fn_Get_Cust_Name(in_cust_id)

```
create or replace function
jvalance.fn Get Cust Name(
    in cust id dec(8,0)
returns varchar(42)
language sql
begin
    declare wk first char(20);
    declare wk last char(20);
    declare wk custname varchar(42) default '';
    select FIRSTNAME, LASTNAME
    into wk first, wk last
    from sp cust where cust id = in cust id;
    -- Check for null values - which means record not found
    if wk first is not null then
        set wk_custname = trim(wk_first) || ' ' || trim(wk_last);
    end if;
```

return wk_custname;
end;

fn_Get_Cust_Name(in_cust_id)



Testing fn_Get_Cust_Name(in_cust_id)

• You can test your UDFs using the SYSDUMMY1 table

- IBM-supplied, single record table, for testing function calls
- In library SYSIBM

select 1384 as cust_id, fn_Get_Cust_Name(1384) as cust_name
from sysibm.sysdummy1

```
878 select 1384 as cust_id, fn_Get_Cust_Name(1384) as cust_name
879 from sysibm.sysdummy1;
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```

CUST_ID CUST_NAME 1384 Russell Christopher



Another Example - fn_CurrDate8()

Format current date as dec(8,0) in YYYYMMDD format

```
create or replace function jvalance.fn_CurrDate8()
returns dec(8,0)
language SQL
set option datfmt = *ISO
BEGIN
return dec(replace(char(current date, ISO),'-',''),8,0);
END;
```

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Looping



The LOOP loop

- Loop infinitely
- Requires a conditional LEAVE or RETURN statement to exit the loop
- Like RPG DO

```
LOOP
call work_to_do( all_done );
IF all_done = 1 THEN
LEAVE;
END IF;
END LOOP;
```



The WHILE loop

- Loop until condition is false
- Condition tested at beginning of loop
 - Like RPG DOW
 - Set condition before loop, or it may never enter loop body
- Can also use LEAVE or RETURN statements to exit the loop

```
SET all_done = 0;
WHILE all_done = 0 D0
    call work_to_do( all_done, hit_error );
    IF hit_error = 1 THEN
        LEAVE;
    END IF;
END WHILE;
```

The REPEAT UNTIL loop

- Loop until condition is true
- Test condition at end of loop
 - Like RPG DOU
 - Always iterate at least once
- Can also use LEAVE or RETURN statements to exit the loop

```
REPEAT
    CALL work_to_do( all_done, hit_error );
    IF hit_error = 1 THEN
        LEAVE;
    END IF;
UNTIL all_done=1
END REPEAT;
```

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The FOR loop

```
create or replace procedure jvalance.sp Build JVCUST()
language sql
result sets 0
begin
   /* Populates table JVCUST with selected data from table SP CUST */
    declare wk full name char(20); -- to hold first + last
    delete from jvalance.JVCUST; -- clear previous data
    FOR custrow AS csr custs cursor for SELECT * from SP CUST
    DO
        set wk_full_name = trim(custrow.FIRSTNAME) ||
                                                      ' ' || trim(custrow.LASTNAME);
        insert into JVCUST (
            CUST ID, COMPANY, CUSTNAME, PHONE
        ) values (
            custrow.CUST_ID, custrow.COMPANY wk_full_name, custrow.PHONE
        );
    END FOR;
end;
```



Running procedure sp_Build_JVCUST

```
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93 cl: addlible jvalance;
94
95 call jvalance.sp_Build_JVCUST();
96
97 select * from jvalance.jvcust;
```

CUSTNAME	PHONE
LINA Norman	808-555-0269
George Weathers	809-555-3915
Phyllis Spooner	357-6-876708
Joe Bailey	011-5-697044
Chris Thomas	504-798-3022
Ernest Barratt	401-609-7623
Russell Christopher	809-453-5976
Paul Gardner	808-555- <mark>82</mark> 31
Susan Wong	057-1-773434
	CUSTNAME LINA Norman George Weathers Phyllis Spooner Joe Bailey Chris Thomas Ernest Barratt Russell Christopher Paul Gardner Susan Wong

IBM i Considerations



Nomenclature

RPG / Native IBMi	SQL / RDBMS			
Library	Schema			
File	Table			
Record	Row			
Field	Column			
Naming Convention				
System	SQL			
library/file	schema.table			
** Can use library lists **	Cannot use library lists			



Library List Considerations

• To use library lists, connect to DB with "System Naming"

- vs. "SQL Naming", which only allows one library (aka schema)
- In CA/ACS: menu Connection... JDBC settings... Format tab
- In JDBC-based connections, set property: naming = system
- Run "SET PATH *LIBL;" in ACS SQL client, before creating procedures
 - > Path is stored in DB2 repository with the procedure object
- Do NOT hard-code library names in your stored procedure source code (use un-qualified object names)

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- Connect to DB with a USRPRF that has the proper library list
 - via the USRPRF's JOBD libl
 - When compiling and running

Viewing SQL Stored Procedure objects

•	Library	view	(green-screen)
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Thanks for Attending!



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