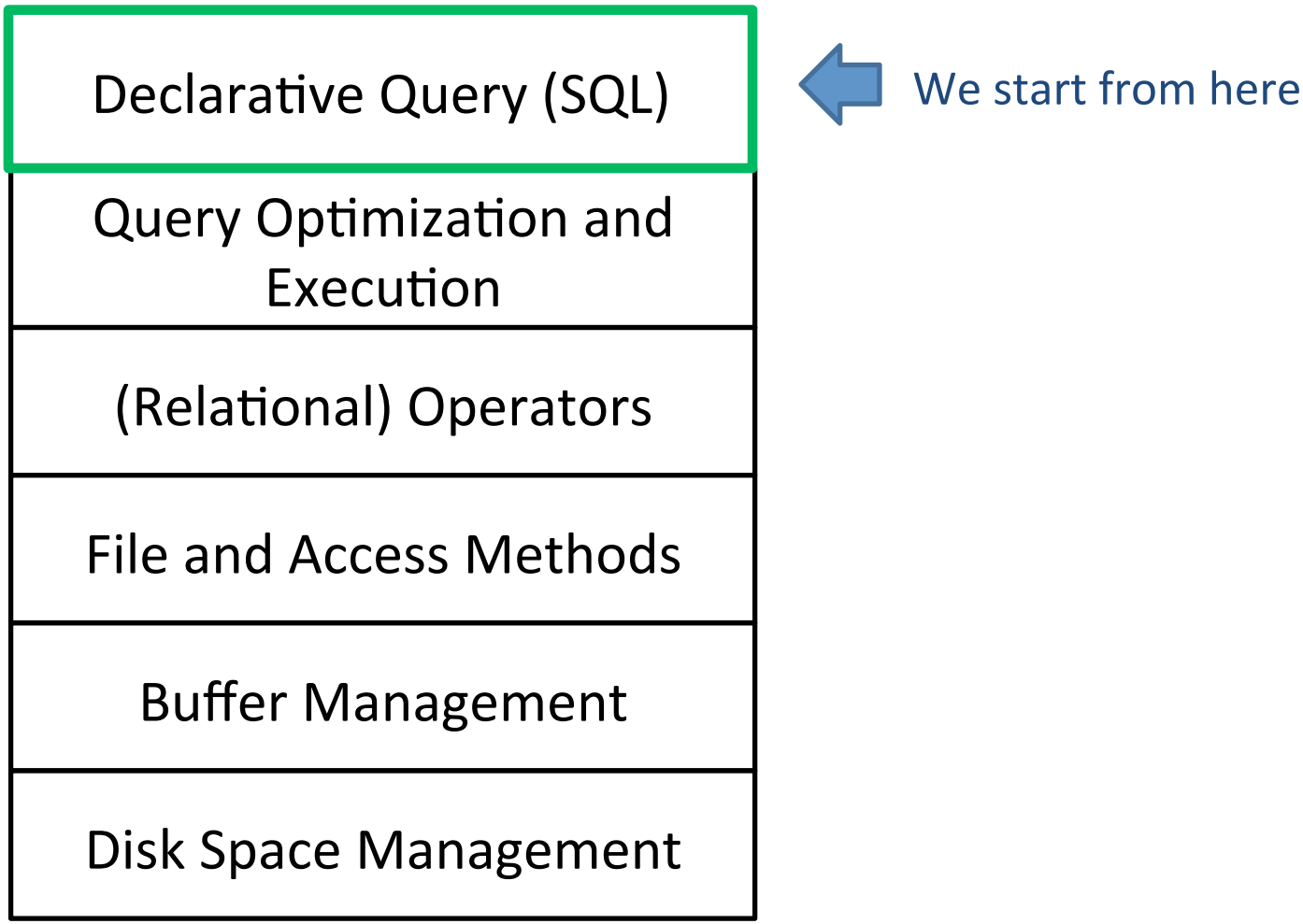
SQL III

The Query Language

R & G - Chapter 5

Based on Slides from UC Berkeley and book.

Query Execution



NULL Values: Truth table

p	*q*	*p* OR *q*	*p* AND *q*	*p* = *q*
TRUE	**TRUE**	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
TRUE	**FALSE**	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE
TRUE	**Unknown**	TRUE	Unknown	Unknown
FALSE	**TRUE**	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE
FALSE	**FALSE**	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
FALSE	**Unknown**	Unknown	FALSE	Unknown
Unknown	**TRUE**	TRUE	Unknown	Unknown
Unknown	**FALSE**	Unknown	FALSE	Unknown
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NULLs

Given:

branch2=

bname	bcity	assets
Downtown	Boston	9M
Perry	Horse	1.7M
Mianus	Horse	.4M
Kenmore	Boston	NULL

Aggregate operations:

SELECT SUM(assets)
FROM branch2

returns

SUM

11.1M

NULL is ignored
Same for AVG, MIN, MAX

But.... COUNT(assets) retunrs 4!

Let branch3 an empty relation
Then: SELECT SUM(assets)
FROM branch3 returns NULL

but COUNT(<empty rel>) = 0

Joins

```
SELECT (column_list)
FROM  table_name
 [INNER | NATURAL | {LEFT | RIGHT | FULL} | {OUTER}]
JOIN table_name
    ON qualification_list
WHERE …
```

- INNER is default

SELECT sname FROM sailors S JOIN reserves R ON S.sid=R.sid;

SELECT sname FROM sailors S NATURAL JOIN reserves R

WHERE R.bid = 102;

Inner Joins

```
SELECT s.sid, s.sname, r.bid
  FROM Sailors s, Reserves r
 WHERE s.sid = r.sid
```

```
SELECT s.sid, s.sname, r.bid
 FROM Sailors s INNER JOIN Reserves r
                ON s.sid = r.sid
```

Both are equivalent!

Left Outer Join

- Returns all matched rows, plus all unmatched rows from the table on the **left** of the join clause
  - (use nulls in fields of non-matching tuples)

```
SELECT s.sid, s.sname, r.bid
  FROM Sailors s LEFT OUTER JOIN
       Reserves r
        ON s.sid = r.sid;
```

- Returns all sailors & bid for boat in any of their reservations
  - Note: no match for s.sid? r.sid `IS NULL`!

```
SELECT s.sid, s.sname, r.bid
  FROM Sailors s LEFT OUTER JOIN Reserves r
                      ON s.sid = r.sid;
```

sid	sname	rating	age
22	Dustin	7	45.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
95	Bob	3	63.5

sid	bid	day
22	101	10/10/96
95	103	11/12/96

s.sid	s.name	r.bid
22	Dustin	101
95	Bob	103
31	Lubber	

NULL

Right Outer Join

- Returns all matched rows, plus all unmatched rows from the table on the **right** of the join clause
  - (use nulls in fields of non-matching tuples)

```
SELECT s.sid, b.bid, b.bname
  FROM Reserves r RIGHT OUTER JOIN
       Boats b
        ON r.bid = b.bid;
```

- Returns all boats & information on which ones are reserved
  - Note: no match for b.bid? r.bid `IS NULL`!

Full Outer Join

- Full Outer Join returns all (matched or unmatched) rows from the tables on both sides of the join clause

```
SELECT r.sid, b.bid, b.bname
  FROM Reserves2 r FULL OUTER JOIN
       Boats2 b
        ON r.bid = b.bid;
```

- Returns all boats & all information on reservations
- No match for r.bid?
  - b.bid IS NULL AND b.bname is NULL
- No match for b.bid?
  - r.sid is NULL

Constraints (revisited)

Constraints Over Multiple Relations

```
CREATE TABLE Sailors
       ( sid    INTEGER,
         sname  CHAR(10),
         rating INTEGER,
         age    REAL,
         PRIMARY KEY  (sid),
         CHECK
         (  (SELECT COUNT (s.sid) FROM Sailors s)
            +
            (SELECT COUNT (b.bid) FROM Boats b)
          < 100 ))
```

Number of boats plus number of sailors is < 100

Constraints Over Multiple Relations

```
CREATE TABLE Sailors
( sid    INTEGER,
  sname  CHAR(10),
  rating INTEGER,
  age    REAL,
  PRIMARY KEY  (sid),
)
```

Number of boats plus number of sailors is < 100

- Awkward and wrong!
  - Only checks sailors!
- ASSERTION is the right solution; not associated with either table.
  - Unfortunately, not supported in many DBMS.
  - Triggers are another solution.

```
CREATE ASSERTION  smallClub
CHECK
( (SELECT COUNT (S.sid) FROM Sailors S)
  +
  (SELECT COUNT (B.bid) FROM Boats B)
 < 100 )
```

Views

Views: Named Queries

- `CREATE VIEW view_name`
  `AS select_statement`

- Makes development simpler
- Often used for security
- Not “materialized”

```
CREATE VIEW Redcount
AS SELECT b.bid, COUNT(*) AS scount
     FROM Boats b, Reserves2 r
    WHERE r.bid = b.bid AND b.color = 'red'
 GROUP BY b.bid
```

Views Instead of Relations in Queries

```
CREATE VIEW Redcount
AS SELECT b.bid, COUNT(*) AS scount
     FROM Boats b, Reserves2 r
    WHERE r.bid = b.bid AND b.color = 'red'
 GROUP BY b.bid
```

bid	scount
102	1

Redcount

```
SELECT bname, scount
  FROM Redcount r, Boats2 b
 WHERE r.bid = b.bid AND scount < 10
```

Views

create view vs INTO

(1)
```
SELECT bname, bcity
FROM   branch
INTO   branch2
```

vs

(2)
```
CREATE VIEW branch2 AS
SELECT  bname, bcity
FROM    branch
```

(1) creates new table that gets stored on disk

(2) creates "virtual table" (materialized when needed)

Therefore: changes in branch are seen in the view version of branch2 (2) but not for the (1) case.

Subqueries in FROM

- Like a "view create on the fly"

```
SELECT  bname, scount
  FROM  Boats2 b,
        (SELECT b.bid, COUNT(*)
           FROM Boats b, Reserves2 r
          WHERE r.bid=b.bid AND b.color='red'
        GROUP BY b.bid) AS Reds(bid, scount)
 WHERE Reds.bid=b.bid AND scount < 10
```

Common Table Expressions: WITH

- Another "view creation on the fly" syntax

```
WITH Reds(bid, scount) AS
        (SELECT b.bid, COUNT(*)
           FROM Boats b, Reserves2 r
          WHERE r.bid=b.bid AND b.color='red'
        GROUP BY b.bid)
SELECT  bname, scount
  FROM  Boads2 b, Reds
WHERE Reds.bid=b.bid AND scount < 10
```

Find the rating for which the average age of sailors is the minimum over all ratings :

```
SELECT  Temp.rating, Temp.avgage
FROM  (SELECT S.rating, AVG(S.age) AS avgage,
          FROM Sailors S
          GROUP BY S.rating) AS Temp
WHERE  Temp.avgage =  (SELECT  MIN(Temp.avgage)
                       FROM  Temp)
```

SQL: Modification Commands

Deletion:

DELETE FROM <relation>
[WHERE <predicate>]

Example:

1. DELETE FROM account
   -- deletes all tuples in account

2. DELETE FROM account
   WHERE bname IN (SELECT bname
   FROM branch
   WHERE bcity = 'Bkln')
   -- deletes all accounts from Brooklyn branch

SQL: Modification Commands

View Updates:

Suppose we have a view:

```
CREATE VIEW branch-loan AS
        SELECT bname, lno
        FROM    loan
```

And we insert: INSERT INTO branch-loan VALUES(“Perry”, L-308)

Then, the system will insert a new tuple (“Perry”, L-308, NULL) into loan

SQL: Modification Commands

What about...

```
CREATE VIEW depos-account AS
      SELECT cname, bname, balance
       FROM    depositor as d, account as a
       WHERE  d.acct_no = a.acct_no
```

INSERT INTO depos-account VALUES(“Smith”, “Perry”, 500)

How many relations we need to update?

Many systems disallow

Discretionary Access Control

- `GRANT privileges ON object TO users [WITH GRANT OPTION]`

- Object can be a Database, Table or a View
- Privileges can be:
  - Select
  - Insert
  - Delete
  - References (cols) – allow to create a foreign key that references the specified column(s)
  - All
- Can later be REVOKED
- Users can be single users or groups
- See R&G Chapter 17 for more details.

Embedded SQL

Writing Applications with SQL

- SQL is not a general purpose programming language.
  - + Tailored for data retrieval and manipulation
  - + Relatively easy to optimize and parallelize
- Awkward to write entire apps in SQL

- Options:
  - Make the query language "Turing complete"
    - Avoids the "impedance mismatch"
    - makes "simple" relational language complex
  - Allow SQL to be embedded in regular programming languages.

Cursors

- Can declare a cursor on a relation or query
- Can open a cursor
- Can repeatedly fetch a tuple (moving the cursor)
- Special return value when all tuples have been retrieved.
- ORDER BY allows control over the order tuples are returned.
  - Fields in ORDER BY clause must also appear in SELECT clause.
- LIMIT controls the number of rows returned (good fit w/ ORDER BY)
- Can also modify/delete tuple pointed to by a cursor
  - A “non-relational” way to get a handle to a particular tuple

Database APIs

- A library with database calls (API)
  - special objects/methods
  - passes SQL strings from language, presents result sets in a language-friendly way
  - ODBC a C/C++ standard started on Windows
  - JDBC a Java equivalent
  - Most scripting languages have similar things
  - E.g. in Python there's the "psycopg2" driver
- ODBC/JDBC try to be DBMS-neutral
  - at least try to hide distinctions across different DBMSs

Summary

- Relational model has well-defined query semantics
- SQL provides functionality close to basic relational model
  - (some differences in duplicate handling, null values, set operators, …)
- Typically, many ways to write a query
  - DBMS figures out a fast way to execute a query, regardless of how it is written.

Triggers (Active database)

- Trigger: A procedure that starts automatically if specified changes occur to the DBMS
- Analog to a "daemon" that monitors a database for certain events to occur
- Three parts:
  - Event (activates the trigger)
  - Condition (tests whether the triggers should run) [Optional]
  - Action (what happens if the trigger runs)
- Semantics:
  - When event occurs, and condition is satisfied, the action is performed.

Triggers – Event,Condition,Action

- Events could be :

```
BEFORE|AFTER INSERT|UPDATE|DELETE ON <tableName>
```

e.g.: `BEFORE INSERT ON Professor`

- Condition is SQL expression or even an SQL query (query with non-empty result means TRUE)

- Action can be many different choices :
  - SQL statements , body of PSM, and even DDL and transaction-oriented statements like “commit”.

Example Trigger

Assume our DB has a relation schema :

Professor (pNum, pName, salary)

We want to write a trigger that :

Ensures that any new professor inserted has salary >= 60000

Example Trigger

```
CREATE TRIGGER minSalary BEFORE INSERT ON Professor

     for what context  ?

BEGIN

     check for violation here ?


END;
```

Example Trigger

```
CREATE TRIGGER minSalary BEFORE INSERT ON Professor
      FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
    Violation of Minimum Professor Salary?
END;
```

Example Trigger

```
CREATE TRIGGER minSalary BEFORE INSERT ON Professor

     FOR EACH ROW

BEGIN

   IF (:new.salary < 60000)
    THEN RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR (-20004,          'Violation
   of Minimum Professor Salary');
   END IF;

END;
```

Example trigger

```
CREATE TRIGGER minSalary BEFORE INSERT ON Professor
   FOR EACH ROW

DECLARE temp int;     -- dummy variable not needed

BEGIN
   IF (:new.salary < 60000)
    THEN RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR (-20004,          'Violation
   of Minimum Professor Salary');
   END IF;

temp := 10;        -- to illustrate declared variables

END;
.
run;
```

Details of Trigger Example

- BEFORE INSERT ON Professor
  - This trigger is checked before the tuple is inserted
- FOR EACH ROW
  - specifies that trigger is performed for each row inserted
- :new
  - refers to the new tuple inserted
- If (:new.salary < 60000)
  - then an application error is raised and hence the row is not inserted; otherwise the row is inserted.
- Use error code: -20004;
  - this is in the valid range

Example Trigger Using Condition

```
CREATE TRIGGER minSalary BEFORE INSERT ON Professor
FOR EACH ROW
WHEN (new.salary < 60000)
BEGIN
   RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR (-20004,       'Violation of
   Minimum Professor Salary');
END;
.
run;
```

- Conditions can refer to old/new values of tuples modified by the statement activating the trigger.

Triggers: REFERENCING

```
CREATE TRIGGER minSalary BEFORE INSERT ON Professor

REFERENCING NEW as newTuple

FOR EACH ROW

WHEN (newTuple.salary < 60000)

BEGIN
   RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR (-20004,          'Violation
   of Minimum Professor Salary');
END;

.

run;
```

Example Trigger

```
CREATE TRIGGER minSalary
     BEFORE UPDATE ON Professor
REFERENCING OLD AS oldTuple NEW as newTuple
FOR EACH ROW
WHEN (newTuple.salary < oldTuple.salary)
BEGIN
   RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR (-20004, 'Salary
   Decreasing !!');
END;
.
run;
```

- Ensure that salary does not decrease

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Another Trigger Example (SQL:99)

```
CREATE TRIGGER  youngSailorUpdate
   AFTER  INSERT ON SAILORS
REFERENCING NEW TABLE AS NewSailors
FOR EACH STATEMENT
   INSERT
    INTO YoungSailors(sid, name, age, rating)
    SELECT sid, name, age, rating
    FROM NewSailors N
    WHERE N.age <= 18
```

Row vs Statement Level Trigger

- Row level: activated once per modified tuple
- Statement level: activate once per SQL statement

- Row level triggers can access new data, statement level triggers cannot always do that (depends on DBMS).

- Statement level triggers will be more efficient if we do not need to make row-specific decisions

When to use BEFORE/AFTER

- Based on efficiency considerations or semantics.

- Suppose we perform statement-level after insert,
  then all the rows are inserted first,
  then if the condition fails,
  and all the inserted rows must be "rolled back"

- Not very efficient !!

Combining multiple events into one trigger

```
CREATE TRIGGER salaryRestrictions
AFTER INSERT OR UPDATE ON Professor
FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
IF (INSERTING AND :new.salary < 60000) THEN
  RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR (-20004, 'below min
  salary'); END IF;
IF (UPDATING AND :new.salary < :old.salary) THEN
  RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR (-20004, ‘Salary
  Decreasing !!'); END IF;
END;
```

Summary : Trigger Syntax

```
CREATE TRIGGER <triggerName>
BEFORE|AFTER   INSERT|DELETE|UPDATE
   [OF <columnList>] ON <tableName>|<viewName>
   [REFERENCING [OLD AS <oldName>] [NEW AS <newName>]]
[FOR EACH ROW] (default is “FOR EACH STATEMENT”)
[WHEN (<condition>)]
<PSM body>;
```

MySQL Triggers

```
mysql> delimiter //
mysql> CREATE TRIGGER upd_check BEFORE UPDATE ON account
   -> FOR EACH ROW
    -> BEGIN
    ->     IF NEW.amount < 0 THEN
    ->         SET NEW.amount = 0;
    ->     ELSEIF NEW.amount > 100 THEN
    ->         SET NEW.amount = 100;
    ->     END IF;
    -> END;//
mysql> delimiter ;
```

```
CREATE TABLE employees_audit (
   id INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,
   employeeNumber INT NOT NULL,
   lastname VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
   changedat DATETIME DEFAULT NULL,
   action VARCHAR(50) DEFAULT NULL
);
```

```
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER before_employee_update
   BEFORE UPDATE ON employees
   FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
   INSERT INTO employees_audit
   SET action = 'update',
    employeeNumber = OLD.employeeNumber,
      lastname = OLD.lastname,
      changedat = NOW();
END$$
DELIMITER ;
```

Constraints versus Triggers

- Constraints **are useful for database consistency**
  - Use IC when sufficient
  - More opportunity for optimization
  - Not restricted into insert/delete/update

- Triggers are flexible and powerful
  - Alerters
  - Event logging for auditing
  - Security enforcement
  - Analysis of table accesses (statistics)
  - Workflow and business intelligence …

- But can be hard to understand ……
  - Several triggers (Arbitrary order → unpredictable !?)
  - Chain triggers (When to stop ?)
  - Recursive triggers (Termination?)

Database Application Development

Example Query

From within a host language, find the names and cities of customers with more than the variable *amount* dollars in some account.

- Specify the query in SQL and declare a *cursor* for it

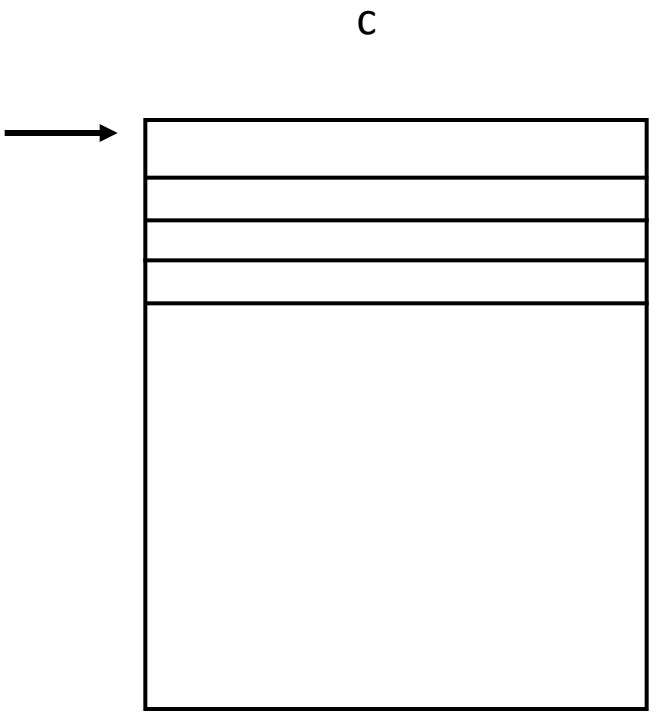
EXEC SQL

declare *c* **cursor for**
select *customer-name, customer-city*
from *depositor, customer, account*
where *depositor.customer-name = customer.customer-name*
and *depositor account-number = account.account-number*
and *account.balance > :amount*

END-EXEC

EXEC SQL **open** *c* END-EXEC

Cursor



Every fetch call, will get the values
of the current tuple and will advance the pointer

A while loop to get all the tuples

Also, you can move up/down, go to the start, go to end, etc..

Finally, you can update/modify a tuple through a cursor

JDBC

- Part of Java, very easy to use
- Java comes with a JDBC-to-ODBC bridge
  - So JDBC code can talk to any ODBC data source
  - E.g. look in your Windows Control Panel for ODBC drivers!
- JDBC tutorial online
  - http://developer.java.sun.com/developer/Books/JDBCTutorial/

JDBC Basics: Connections

- A Connection is an object representing a login to a database

```
// GET CONNECTION
Connection con;
try {
    con = DriverManager.getConnection(
        "jdbc:odbc:bankDB",
        userName,password);
} catch(Exception e){ System.out.println(e); }
```

- Eventually you close the connection

```
// CLOSE CONNECTION
try { con.close(); }
catch (Exception e) { System.out.println(e); }
```

JDBC Basics: Statements

- You need a Statement object for each SQL statement

```
// CREATE STATEMENT
Statement stmt;
try {
    stmt = con.createStatement();
} catch (Exception e){
    System.out.println(e);
}
```

Soon we'll say stmt.executeQuery("select …");

JDBC Basics: ResultSet

- A ResultSet object serves as a *cursor* for the statement's results (stmt.executeQuery())

```
// EXECUTE QUERY
ResultSet results;
try {
    results = stmt.executeQuery(
            "select * from branch")
} catch (Exception e){
    System.out.println(e);  }
```

- Obvious handy methods:
  - results.next() advances cursor to next tuple
    - Returns "false" when the cursor slides off the table (beginning or end)
  - "scrollable" cursors:
    - results.previous(), results.relative(int), results.absolute(int), results.first(), results.last(), results.beforeFirst(), results.afterLast()

CreateStatement cursor behavior

- Two optional args to createStatement:
  - `createStatement(ResultSet.<TYPE>, ResultSet.<CONCUR>)`
  - Corresponds to SQL cursor features
- <TYPE> is one of
  - TYPE_FORWARD_ONLY: can't move cursor backward
  - TYPE_SCROLL_INSENSITIVE: can move backward, but doesn't show results of any updates
  - TYPE_SCROLL_SENSITIVE: can move backward, will show updates from this statement
- <CONCUR> is one of
  - CONCUR_READ_ONLY: this statement doesn't allow updates
  - CONCUR_UPDATABLE: this statement allows updates
- Defaults:
  - TYPE_FORWARD_ONLY and CONCUR_READ_ONLY

ResultSet Metadata

- Can find out stuff about the ResultSet schema via ResultSetMetaData

```
ResultSetMetaData rsmd =
  results.getMetaData();
int numCols = rsmd.getColumnCount();
int i, rowcount = 0;

// get column header info
for (i=1; i <= numCols; i++){
    if (i > 1) buf.append(",");
    buf.append(rsmd.getColumnLabel(i));
}
buf.append("\n");
```

- Other ResultSetMetaData methods:
  - getColumnType(i), isNullable(i), etc.

Getting Values in Current of Cursor

- getStrin

```
// break it off at 100 rows ma

while (results.next() && rowcount < 100){
            // Loop through each column, getting the
               // column data and displaying

               for (i=1; i <= numCols; i++) {
                     if (i > 1) buf.append(",");
                     buf.append(results.getString(i));
                  }
                  buf.append("\n");
                  System.out.println(buf);
                  rowcount++;
            }
```

- Similarly, getFloat, getInt, etc.

Updating Current of Cursor

- Update fields in current of cursor:

```
result.next();
result.updateInt(“assets", 10M);
```

- Also updateString, updateFloat, etc.
- Or can always submit a full SQL UPDATE statement
  - Via executeQuery()

- The original statement must have been CONCUR_UPDATABLE in either case!

Cleaning up Neatly

```
try {
   // CLOSE RESULT SET
   results.close();
   // CLOSE STATEMENT
   stmt.close();
   // CLOSE CONNECTION
   con.close();
} catch (Exception e) {
     System.out.println(e);
}
```

Putting it Together (w/o try/catch)

```
Connection con =
   DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:odbc:weblog",userName,passwor
   d);
Statement stmt = con.createStatement();
ResultSet results =
   stmt.executeQuery("select * from Sailors")
ResultSetMetaData rsmd = results.getMetaData();
int numCols = rsmd.getColumnCount(), i;
StringBuffer buf = new StringBuffer();

while (results.next() && rowcount < 100){
  for (i=1; i <= numCols; i++) {
     if (i > 1) buf.append(",");
     buf.append(results.getString(i));
  }
  buf.append("\n");
}
results.close(); stmt.close();  con.close();
```

Similar deal for web scripting langs

- Common scenario today is to have a web client
  - A web form issues a query to the DB
  - Results formatted as HTML
- Many web scripting languages used
  - jsp, asp, PHP, etc.
  - most of these are similar, look a lot like jdbc with HTML mixed in

E.g. PHP/Postgres

```
<?php   $conn = pg_pconnect("dbname=cowbook user=jmh\
                             password=secret");
  if (!$conn) {
    echo "An error occured.\n";
    exit;
  }
  $result = pg_query ($conn, "SELECT * FROM Sailors");
  if (!$result) {
    echo "An error occured.\n";  exit;
  }
  $num = pg_num_rows($result);
  for ($i=0; $i < $num; $i++) {
    $r = pg_fetch_row($result, $i);
    for ($j=0; $j < count($r); $j++) {
     echo "$r[$j] ";
    }
    echo "<BR>";
  }
?>
```