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JavaScript applications with MySQL

JavaScript Applications are popular

- Powerful for light weight front-end and server-side applications
- Works great with SQL servers, communicate with database via connectors

How to handle data-intensive use cases?

- Data Validation
- JSON & String processing / Formatting
- Data Cleaning / Transformation

Problem: Need to move data to client

to facilitate rich procedural programming capability



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Data movement in the cloud





- Requires more capacity in application- or mid-tier
- Cloud Egress Cost



Latency

- Serialization / Deserialization of Data
- Protocol and Connector Overhead
- May require several round-trips



Security

• Unnecessary data transfer

Allow rich procedural programming capability inside the database

Procedural programs inside Database

Handle data-intensive app functionality in stored programs

- Minimize data movement
- Reduce cost
- Improve Security
- Simplify complex ETL \rightarrow ELT

Limitations in procedural SQL stored programs

- Not expressive: Hard to use, lacks basic constructs like containers (arrays, maps)
- Not efficient: Challenging to optimize due to interpreted code
- Insufficient Development eco-system: Editors, debuggers, testing frameworks, reusable 3rd Party libraries
- Few experienced programmers



Introducing JavaScript for MySQL

Execute JavaScript Stored Procedures and Stored Functions via GraalVM

Just Like SQL Stored Programs, but now

- Improved Developer Experience
- Security at its core
- State-of-the-art optimizations
- Designed for both Cloud Service and on-prem

Available Now!

- MySQL Heatwave Database Service for OCI, AWS and Azure
- Preview of MySQL Enterprise Edition on Oracle Technology Network (OTN).
 Free for development and prototyping!

Why JavaScript?

Ubiquitous

- One of the most used language by developers*
- > 98% of all web pages use JavaScript**

Multiple Runtimes

- Support in all major web browsers
- Massively used server-side runtimes
 - Node.js
 - Deno

Development Eco-system

- Npm package manager contains > 2 million free to use JavaScript packages***
- > 10 million users use the npm package manager



* Stack Overflow 2023 survey

** https://w3techs.com/technologies/details/cp-javascript *** https://www.npmjs.com/



High Performance

- Profile guided JIT compiler
- Ahead-of-time (AOT) compilation of the language implementation to native code
- Advanced compiler optimizations, such as aggressive inlining and partial escape analysis

Graal.JS

- JavaScript Implementation based on ECMAScript 2023
- Competitive performance with V8 engine
- Implemented using Graal Polyglot Framework, that allows multiple languages inside the same VM

Virtual Machine

- Fully memory managed
- Secure sandbox
- Support for developer tools



Eco-system of compiler technologies

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Development Experience

- 1. Stored Program Definition
- 2. JavaScript inside SQL
- 3. SQL inside JavaScript
- 4. Debuggability

Defining JavaScript stored programs

Simple Syntax

- LANGUAGE clause now allows JavaScript
- Extensible string quoting mechanism to enclose non-SQL language source
 - AS \$\$... \$\$
 - AS \$JavaScript\$... \$JavaScript\$

Function Environment

- No function redefinition in JavaScript required
- SQL argument identifiers directly available in JavaScript

Auto Type-Conversion

- Transparent MySQL ↔ JavaScript type conversion
- Supports all variations of INT, FLOATS, DATETIME, VARCHAR (utf8mb4)

CREATE FUNCTION gcd_js (a INT, b INT)
RETURNS INT LANGUAGE JAVASCRIPT AS \$\$

let [x, y] = [Math.abs(a), Math.abs(b)];
while (y) [x, y] = [y, x % y];
return x;

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JavaScript inside SQL

SELECT

- Use anywhere where SQL stored functions can be used
- Expressions, Projection, WHERE clause, GROUP-BY, JOIN, ORDER BY, HAVING etc.

DMLs, DDLs, VIEWs

- Support inside all DMLs (INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE etc)
- DDLs including CREATE TABLE AS SELECT
- Support inside VIEWs

Interoperability

- Invoke JavaScript & SQL functions and procedures inside existing SQL stored functions or procedures
- Chain JavaScript & SQL stored functions together using input / output arguments

```
SELECT col1, col2, gcd_js(col1,col2)
FROM my_table
WHERE gcd_js(col1, col2) > 1
ORDER BY gcd_js(col1, col2);
```

CREATE TABLE gcd_table
AS SELECT gcd_js(col1,col2)
FROM my_table;

SQL inside JavaScript

Statement Types

- Simple SQL statements
- Prepared statements with bind parameters

Data Access API

- Execute SQL inside JavaScript using XDevAPI
- Seamless MySQL ↔ JavaScript type conversion for query results

Session State

- Continue transactions inside JavaScript
- Access all session state inside JavaScript such as session variables & temporary tables

CREATE PROCEDURE gen_random_age (IN row_count INT)
LANGUAGE JAVASCRIPT AS \$\$
 let insertStatement = session.prepare(
 "INSERT INTO my_table(age) VALUES (?)");
 for (let j = 0; j < row_count; j++) {
 let random_age = Math.trunc(Math.random() * 100);
 insertStatement.bind(random_age).execute();
 }
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CREATE PROCEDURE average_age (OUT avg_age FLOAT)
LANGUAGE JAVASCRIPT AS \$\$
 let age_sum = 0, count = 0;
 let selectStatement = session.sql(
 "SELECT age FROM my_table");
 let result = selectStatement.execute(), row = null;
 while(row = result.fetchOne()) {
 age_sum += row[0]; count++;
 }
 avg_age = age_sum / count;
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Debuggability

Standard Streams

 Access language standard output and error streams inside MySQL

Error Handling

- Translates unhandled JavaScript exceptions into MySQL errors
- Allow access to JavaScript stack traces in case of unhandled runtime error
- Translates MySQL errors and warnings into JavaScript exceptions while executing SQL statements inside JavaScript

```
CREATE PROCEDURE division (IN a INT, IN b INT,
OUT result DOUBLE) LANGUAGE JAVASCRIPT AS $$
function validate(num) {
    console.log("validating input value: ", num);
    if (num === 0) throw ("Division by Zero!");
    }
    validate(b);
    result = a / b;
$$
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CALL division(5, 0, @res); ERROR 6000 (HY000): JavaScript> Division by Zero!

```
SELECT mle_session_state("stdout");
validating input value: 0
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```
SELECT mle_session_state("stack_trace");
<js> validate(division:9:187-214)
<js> division(division:11:222-232)
<js> :anonymous(division:15:256-265)
```

Demo

Complex Data validation inside MySQL using JavaScript stored programs

Cloud Integration

- 1. Cloud Centric Architecture
- 2. Resource Utilization
- 3. Security
- 4. Performance

Cloud-centric architecture

Works seamlessly with various server components configured on cloud service:

- InnoDB
- HeatWave
- HA / Replication solutions
- Enterprise Thread Pool
- MySQL AutoPilot
- HeatWave AutoML
- Auditing



MySQL Server

HeatWave / Lakehouse / AutoML

Security



Code Isolation

Prevents visibility or interaction between any two different stored programs executed on GraalVM

Adds protection against JIT spraying and side-channel attacks.



Sand boxing

Each stored program runs inside GraalVM strict sandboxing policy that blocks any unauthorized access to

- File system
- Thread management
- Network access
- Native Access



MySQL Privileges Uses MySQL Privileges for stored programs

SQL execution inside JavaScript uses DEFINER and INVOKER security context

Resource utilization

Auto Configuration

• Memory and compute resources are configured based on the cloud instance shape

Resource Management

- Lazy allocation: resource utilization is zero if feature not used.
- Memory utilization is capped: benefits from GraalVM garbage collection
- Concurrency regulated by MySQL enterprise thread pool

Resource Monitoring

• Resource utilization available via MySQL status variable

Performance

MySQL Native Integration

- Custom built VM for MySQL using Graal native image feature
- Scalable thread management using MySQL enterprise thread pool for execution inside GraalVM
- VM configured and optimized for cloud instance

Graal Optimizations

- Graal EE Compiler optimizations.
- Aggressive inlining and partial escape analysis
- Profile guided JIT compilation
- Graal.JS competitive performance with v8 engine



Express complex logic in database using JavaScript Push part of data-intensive application inside the database Avoid vendor lock-in Benefit from GraalVM Enterprise Edition optimizations at no additional cost Integrate with MySQL cloud-only features seamlessly Reduce data movement cost

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Thank you

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Template rendering inside MySQL using JavaScript "Mustache" package