

# Generating and Consuming IFS Files and Web-Services with embedded SQL

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## Agenda

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### Generating and Consuming IFS Files

- Writing Data to the IFS
- Reading IFS Files
- Consuming Data from a \*.csv File

### Generating and Consuming Web-Services



# Work with Large Objects and XML Documents



## Large Object and XML Data Types

### Large Objects = LOB

- LOB data types allow **large amounts of character data** (SBCS/DBCS) or (large) **documents in any format** to be stored within the database
  - **CLOB:** **C**haracter **L**arge **O**bject (SBCS → 1 Character = 1 Byte)  
Automatic **Code Page Conversion** supported
  - **DBCLOB:** **D**ouble **B**yte **C**haracter **L**arge **O**bject (DBCS → 1 Char = 2 Byte)  
Automatic **Code Page Conversion** supported
  - **BLOB:** **B**inary **L**arge **O**bject  
**Without any conversion**
- Maximum Size: **2 GB** (= 2 147 483 647 Byte)

### XML Data Type

- **Special Type of a LOB** to hold **XML documents**
- Only **one data type** → SBCS/DBCS depend on the specified CCSID



## Work with LOBs / XML Documents

### 3 Options to access LOB Values / XML Documents:

- **LOB / XML Host Variables**
  - LOB value / XML document is **copied** into the **host variable**
  - **Maximum length** on the variable depends on the **RPG restrictions**
- **LOB/XML Locators**
  - LOB/XML locator **points to** the LOB value / XML document
  - Data **remains on the sever** and is **not copied** into host variables
  - LOB/XML locators can be used within **SQL commands / functions** like **any character variable**
  - **Commitment Control required**
- **LOB/XML Files**
  - The LOB value / XML document is **moved to** or **located in** an **IFS file**
  - A LOB/XML **locator** can be used to get **access** to the data
  - **IFS files** can be **directly** accessed with **embedded SQL**



## LOB File Reference Variables



# LOB/XML File Reference Variables

## Are used to transfer data from and to the IFS

- Allow to transfer IFS files into tables (LOB/XML columns) and vice versa
- Allow to access and read data from IFS files with embedded SQL
- Allow to create and manipulate IFS files with embedded SQL

## LOB/XML File Variables represent the IFS File

- Point to the IFS files (like LOB locators point to the data)

## Defining LOB/XML File Reference Variables

- Keyword **SQLTYPE** must be used in composition with the data type:
  - CLOB\_File, DBCLOB\_File, BLOB\_File
  - XML\_CLOB\_File, XML\_DBCLOB\_File, XML\_BLOB\_File
- Will be converted by the SQL precompiler into a **data structure**
  - Complete or relative path name, length of the path name
  - Data length is not used for input but returned when reading the data



# LOB/XML Reference File Variable

## Data Structure for LOB/XML File Reference Variables

- Sub-field suffix **\_NL** Length file name 10U 0 / UNS(10)
- Sub-field suffix **\_DL** Length IFS file data 10U 0 / UNS(10)  
Not used for input / set during output
- Sub-field suffix **\_FO** File options 10U 0 / UNS(10)  
must be specified within the source code

### SQL Precompiler integrates the following constants:

SQFRD = 2 File read  
SQFCRT = 8 Create new file  
Return error if the file already exists  
SQFOVR = 16 Create new file or  
Override the exiting file  
SQFAPP = 32 Create new file or  
Add data to the existing file

- Sub-field suffix **\_Name** Name IFS file 255A / CHAR(255)



## Declaring LOB/XML - Reference File Variables - Example

```
DCL-S MyCLOBFile      SQLType(CLOB_File);
DCL-S MyDBCLOBFile   SQLType(DBCLOB_File);
DCL-S MyBLOBFile     SQLType(BLOB_File);

DCL-S MyXMLCLOBFile  SQLType(XML_CLOB_File);
DCL-S MyXMLDBCLOBFile SQLType(XML_DBCLOB_File);
DCL-S MyXMLBLOBFile  SQLType(XML_BLOB_File);
```

• Original RPGLE source

```
DCL-DS MYCLOBFILE;
MYCLOBFILE_NL UNS(10);
MYCLOBFILE_DL UNS(10);
MYCLOBFILE_FO UNS(10);
MYCLOBFILE_NAME CHAR(255) CCSID(*JOBRUNMIX);
END-DS MYCLOBFILE;
/*DCL-S MYDBCLOBFILE SQLTYPE(DBCLOB_FILE);
DCL-DS MYDBCLOBFILE;
MYDBCLOBFILE_NL UNS(10);
MYDBCLOBFILE_DL UNS(10);
MYDBCLOBFILE_FO UNS(10);
MYDBCLOBFILE_NAME CHAR(255) CCSID(*JOBRUNMIX);
END-DS MYDBCLOBFILE;
```

• Excerpt From the compiler listing



## Write IFS File with embedded SQL – Example 1

```
DCL-Proc WriteIFS;
DCL-PI WriteIFS;
  ParIFSFile VarChar(256) Const Options(*Trim);
End-Pi;

DCL-S LocClobFile SQLTYPE(Clob_File);

DCL-S CRLF Char(2) inz(x'0D25');
//-----
Clear LocClobFile;

LocClobFile_Name = %Trim(ParIFSFile);
LocClobFile_NL   = %Len(%Trim(LocClobFile_Name));
LocClobFile_FO   = SQFOVR; //Create/Override existing IFS File

Exec SQL Set :LocClobFile = 'Always desire to learn something useful.'
concat :CRLF;

LocClobFile_FO = SQFAPP; //Add Data

Exec SQL Set :LocClobFile = 'Success has a simple formula: ' concat
'do your best, and people may like it.'
concat :CRLF;

Return;
End-Proc WriteIFS;
```

• CLOB file variable

• Set CLOB file information

- IFS file name
- Length IFS file name
- File operation Create/Replace

• File operation Add data

• Write data to IFS file using LOB reference file variable

```
Browse : /home/Hauser/MyQuote.txt
Record : 1 of 2 by 18 Column : 1 68 by 131
Control :
.....1.....2.....3.....4.....5.....6.....7.....8.....
*****Beginning of data*****
Always desire to learn something useful.
Success has a simple formula: do your best, and people may like it.
*****End of Data*****
```



## Write IFS Files with embedded SQL – Example 2

```

DCL-S MyFromBLOB      SQLTYPE(BLOB_File);
DCL-S MyToBLOB       SQLTYPE(BLOB_File);

DCL-S ParToIFSFile   VarChar(256)
                    inz('/home/Hauser/Examples/BLOBFILE.txt');
DCL-S ParFromMbr     VarChar(256) inz('/QSYS.lib/HSRRRPG.lib/+
                    QEMBSQL.file/BLOBFILE.mbr');

*****
Exec SQL Set Option Commit=*NONE, DatFmt=*ISO, TimFmt=*ISO,
          Naming=*SYS, CloSQLCsr=*EndActGrp;

//Source Member File Information
MyFromBLOB_Name = %Trim(ParFromMbr);
MyFromBLOB_NL   = %Len(%Trim(MyFromBLOB_Name));
MyFromBLOB_FO   = SQFRD; //Read Only

//IFS File Information
MyToBLOB_Name = %Trim(ParToIFSFile);
MyToBLOB_NL   = %Len(%Trim(MyToBLOB_Name));
MyToBLOB_FO   = SQFOVR; //Create or Replace

Exec SQL Set :MyToBLOB = :MyFromBLOB;
If SQLCODE < *Zeros;
  Dsply SQLCODE;
EndIf;

*InLR = *On;
    
```

### Transfer source member to IFS

- **BLOB file** variables for member and IFS file
- Initialize the variables
- Write to the IFS



## Generate and write XML Document with Embedded SQL - Example

```

Select EmployeeNo, Name, FirstName, Address, ZipCode, City
From LobStaff;
    
```

EMPLOYEEENO	NAME	FIRSTNAME	ADDRESS	ZIPCODE	CITY
10	Meier und Sohn		Industriestr. 3-13	80333	München
20	Bauer	Herrmann	Wald-und-Wiesen-Weg. 4	63128	Dietzenbach
40	Hauser	Birgitta	Koenigsteiner Allee 59	63128	Dietzenbach
60	Lehmann	Maria	Schwarzwaldstr. 26	77880	Sasbach

```

Select XmlDocument
  (xmlgroup(EmployeeNo      as "PersNo",
            Trim(Trim(FirstName) concat ' ' concat
              Trim(Name)) as "PersName",
            Address         as "Street",
            ZipCode         as "ZipCode",
            City            as "City"
            Order By City Desc, Name
            Option Row "Employee"
            Root "Staff"))
From LobStaff;
    
```

```

W:\home\Hauser\MyXMLDoc.xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
-<Staff>
  -<Employee>
    <PersNo>60</PersNo>
    <PersName>Maria Lehmann</PersName>
    <Street>Schwarzwaldstr. 26</Street>
    <ZipCode>77880</ZipCode>
    <City>Sasbach</City>
  </Employee>
  -<Employee>
    <PersNo>10</PersNo>
    <PersName>Meier und Sohn</PersName>
    <Street>Industriestr. 3-13</Street>
    <ZipCode>80333</ZipCode>
    <City>München</City>
  </Employee>
  -<Employee>
    <PersNo>20</PersNo>
    <PersName>Herrmann Bauer</PersName>
    <Street>Wald-und-Wiesen-Weg. 4</Street>
    <ZipCode>63128</ZipCode>
    <City>Dietzenbach</City>
  </Employee>
  -<Employee>
    <PersNo>40</PersNo>
    <PersName>Birgitta Hauser</PersName>
    <Street>Koenigsteiner Allee 59</Street>
    <ZipCode>63128</ZipCode>
    <City>Dietzenbach</City>
  </Employee>
</Staff>
    
```



# Generate and write XML Document with Embedded SQL - Example

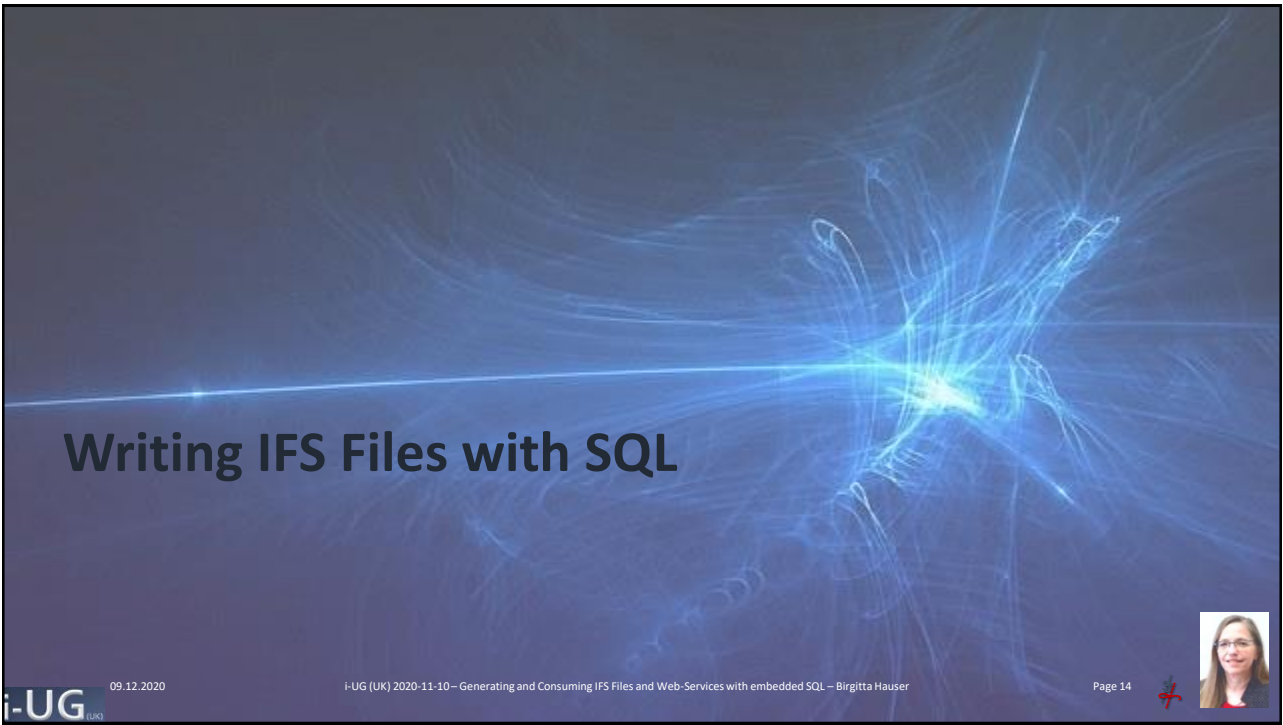
```

DCL-S MyXMLDoc SQLTYPE(XML_CLOB_File);
//
Exec SQL Set Option Commit="None, DatFmt="ISO, TimFmt="ISO,
Naming="SYS, CloSQLCsr="*EndActGrp;




Clear MyXMLDoc;
MyXMLDoc_Name = '/home/Hauser/MyXMLDoc.xml';
MyXMLDoc_NL = %Len(%Trim(MyXMLDoc_Name));
MyXMLDoc_FO = SQFOVR; //Replace if exists

Exec SQL Select XmlDocument
(xmlgroup(EmployeeNo as "PersNo",
Trim(Trim (FirstName) concat ' ' concat
Trim(Name)) as "PersName",
Address as "Street",
ZipCode as "ZipCode",
City as "City"
Order By City Desc, Name
Option Row "Employee"
Root "Staff"))
into :MyXMLDoc
From LobStaffX;
If SQLCODE < *Zeros;
Dsply 'Error ocured';
else;
Dsply 'XML Document generated';
EndIf;
*InLR = *On;
    
```

- XML\_CLOB file variable
- Set XML\_CLOB file information
  - IFS file name
  - Length IFS file name
  - File operation Create/Replace
- XMLDocument adds
  - <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
- Result is directly written into the IFS by using the XML\_CLOB\_File variable



## Writing IFS Files with SQL


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# IFS\_WRITE, IFS\_WRITE\_BINARY, IFS\_WRITE\_UTF8 – Procedures Write to the IFS

IFS_WRITE	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Path\_Name} \Rightarrow \text{IFSFileName} \\ \text{Line} \Rightarrow \text{DataToBeWritten} \\ \text{File\_CCSID} \Rightarrow \text{CCSIDForNewStreamFile} \\ \text{OverWrite} \Rightarrow \text{FileOperation} \\ \text{End\_Of\_Line} \Rightarrow \text{EndOfLineCharacters} \end{array} \right\}$
IFS_WRITE_BINARY	
IFS_WRITE_UTF8	

## Write Data into an IFS (Integrated File System) Stream File

- **IFS\_WRITE** Data is converted into a **EBCDIC** Characters
- **IFS\_WRITE\_BINARY** Data is **not converted**
- **IFS\_WRITE\_UTF8** Data is converted into **UTF-8**

**New IFS File** can be created

Data can be **replaced** in an **existing IFS File**

Data can be **appended** to an **existing IFS File**



## Write Data to the IFS - Example

```
Call Qsys2.IFS_Write_UTF8(Path_Name => '/home/Hauser/Examples/WriteWithSQL.txt',
                        Line         => 'Always desire to learn something useful.',
                        File_CCSID   => 1208,
                        OverWrite    => 'REPLACE',
                        End_Of_Line  => 'CRLF',
                        Ignore_Errors => 'NO');

Call Qsys2.IFS_Write(Path_Name => '/home/Hauser/Examples/WriteWithSQL.txt',
                    Line       => 'Success has a simple formula: do your best, and people may like it.',
                    OverWrite  => 'APPEND',
                    End_Of_Line => 'CRLF');
```

- Write a new **/home/Hauser/Examples/WriteWithSQL.txt** IFS file
- Or Replace an existing **/home/Hauser/Examples/WriteWithSQL.txt** IFS file
- Include the text specified within the **LINE** parameter
- Add the text specified in the **LINE** parameter at the end of the previously generated/replaced IFS File

```
WriteWithSQL.txt
Always desire to learn something useful.
Success has a simple formula: do your best, and people may like it.
```



# Reading IFS-Files using File Reference Variables



## Read IFS Stream File using a File Reference Variable - Example

```
DCL-S MyCLOBFile SQLType(CLOB_File);
DCL-S MyText      Char(50);

DCL-S Start      Int(10);
DCL-S RowLen     Int(5)      Inz(50);
DCL-S Index      Uns(3);

DCL-S ParIFSFile VarChar(256) Inz('/home/Hauser/Examples/MyText.txt');
//*****
Exec SQL Set Option Commit=*NONE, DatFmt=*ISO, TimFmt=*ISO,
        Naming=*SYS, CloSQLCsr=*EndActGrp;

//Retrieve Locator onto save file
MyCLOBFile_Name = %Trim(ParIFSFile);
MyCLOBFile_NL   = %Len(%Trim(MyCLOBFile_Name));
MyCLOBFile_FO   = SQFRD; //Read Only

For Index = 1 to 5;
  Start = (Index-1) * RowLen + 1;
  Exec SQL Set :MyText = Substr(:MyCLOBFILE, :Start, :RowLen);
  If SQLCODE = 100 or SQLCODE < *Zeros
    or %Len(%Trim(MyText)) = *Zeros;
    Leave;
  EndIf;
  Dsply MyText;
EndFor;

*InLR = *On;
```

- Initializing Data Structure Sub-Fields for the CLOB\_File
- File Operation: Read

- Reading Data directly from the IFS with SQL Functions



# Consuming IFS Files with SQL



## Accessing IFS Files with SQL Functions

```
GET_BLOB_FROM_FILE (StringExpression, Integer)
GET_CLOB_FROM_FILE (StringExpression, Integer)
GET_DBCLOB_FROM_FILE (StringExpression, integer)
```

Data in a **IFS File** or in a **Source Physical File Member** can be accessed

- *StringExpression*: Name of the **IFS-Datei** or a **Source Physical File Member** or a **Variable** containing an IFS File Name or a Source Member Name  
Syntax Source Member: **SOURCESHEMA/SOURCEFILE(SOURCEMEMBER)**
- *Integer*
  - 0 = Whitespace is returned
  - 1 = Whitespace is removed

**CCSID Conversion** depends on the used (**GET\_LOB**) Funktion



## Accessing IFS Files with SQL Functions

```
GET_BLOB_FROM_FILE (StringExpression, Integer)
GET_CLOB_FROM_FILE (StringExpression, Integer)
GET_DBCLOB_FROM_FILE (StringExpression, integer)
```

### The result of the function is a **CLOB-Locator**

- Can be compared with a **pointer** that points to the data
- Can be used in **SQL statements** and with **scalar functions** like any **character value**

### Data is converted into the CLOB's CCSID

#### Must be executed under **Commitment Control**

- The locator is **freed** when a **COMMIT** or **ROLLBACK** is performed

```
Values(Get_CLOB_From_File('/home/Hauser/MyQuote.txt'));
Values(Get_CLOB_From_File('HSCCOMMON05/QEMBSQLF(EMBL0C4)');
```

- IFS File
- Source Member

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## Read Data from the IFS using a File Reference Locator

```
DCL-S MyCLOBLoc  SQLType(CLOB_Locator);
DCL-S MyText    Char(50);

DCL-S Start    Int(10);
DCL-S RowLen   Int(5)      Inz(50);
DCL-S Index    Uns(3);

DCL-S ParIFSFile VarChar(256) Inz('/home/Hauser/Examples/MyText.txt');
//*****
Exec SQL Set Option Commit=*CHG, DatFmt=*ISO, TimFmt=*ISO,
          Naming=*SYS, CloSQLCsr=*EndActGrp;

Commit;
Exec SQL Set :MyCLOBLoc = Get_CLOB_From_File(:ParIFSFile);
If SQLCODE < *Zeros;
  //Handle Error
EndIf;

For Index = 1 to 5;
  Start = (Index-1) * RowLen + 1;
  Exec SQL Set :MyText = Substr(:MyCLOBLoc, :Start, :RowLen);
  If %Len(%Trim(MyText)) <> *Zeros;
    Dsply MyText;
  EndIf;
EndFor;

Commit;
*InLR = *On;
```

- Must be executed under Commitment Control

- Accessing the IFS File with GET\_CLOB\_FROM\_FILE  
→ Returns a LOB Locator

- Reading Data directly from the IFS with SQL Functions

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# Consume \*.csv File from the IFS



## Split Table Function

New  
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```
SYSTOOLS.SPLIT(Input_List, Delimiter)
```

Table Function is located within the **SYSTOOLS** schema

Returns a table that contains **one row for each element** of the input\_list

- *Input\_List*: String containing the **list of elements** to be deconstructed  
Input\_List elements must be **separated by the delimiter**
- *Delimiter*: **Separator** between the elements (can be more than 1 character)

Return Table consist of **2 columns**

- **ORDINAL\_POSITION** Integer Relative position of the element in the input string
- **ELEMENT** CLOB(2G) Value of the Element

**Note:** (*from documentation*) this function is provided in the SYSTOOLS schema as an **example of how to break a string apart at a delimiting character** by using an SQL table function. **Creating customized versions of this table function to better suit a specific need is encouraged.** Use the Insert Generated SQL feature in ACS to extract the source for this function. Then modify it and create a new function.



## Split Table Function – Examples – Split List

```
Select *
From Table(SysTools.Split('A, B, C, D, E, V, W, X, Y, Z', ','));
```

ORDINAL_POSITION	ELEMENT
1	A
2	B
3	C
4	D
5	E
6	V
7	W
8	X
9	Y
10	Z

- Splits a string containing characters separated by a comma into rows

```
With x (MyList) as (Values('A, B, C, X'), ('V, W, X, Y, Z'))
Select MyList, a.*
from x cross join Table(SysTools.Split(MyList, ',')) a
Order By MyList, Ordinal_Position;
```

MYLIST	ORDINAL_POSITION	ELEMENT
A, B, C, X	1	A
A, B, C, X	2	B
A, B, C, X	3	C
A, B, C, X	4	X
V, W, X, Y, Z	1	V
V, W, X, Y, Z	2	W
V, W, X, Y, Z	3	X
V, W, X, Y, Z	4	Y
V, W, X, Y, Z	5	Z

- Splits 2 Lists into Rows:

1. A, B, C, X
2. V, W, X, Y, Z

- The Common Table Expression X must be (cross) joined with the SPLIT() Table Function



## SPLIT() Table Function within the SYSTOOLS Schema



# Split Table Function – Examples – Read CSV File

```

With x as (Select Ordinal_Position as RowKey, Element as RowInfo
            from Table(SysTools.Split(Get_Clob_From_File('/home/Hauser/Employee.csv'), x'0D25')) a
            where Trim(Element) > ''),
y as (Select x.*, Ordinal_Position ColKey,
            Trim(B '''' from Element) as ColInfo
            from x cross join Table(SysTools.Split(RowInfo, ',')) a)
Select RowKey,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 1 Then ColInfo End) EmployeeNo,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 2 Then ColInfo End) Name,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 3 Then ColInfo End) FirstName,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 4 Then ColInfo End) Address,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 5 Then ColInfo End) Country,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 6 Then ColInfo End) ZipCode,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 7 Then ColInfo End) City
From y
Where RowKey > 1
Group By RowKey;
    
```

- Common Table Expression X:**
  - Get\_Clob\_From\_File: Access IFS file
  - Split the IFS File at CRLF (=x'0D25')
- Common Table Expression Y:**
  - Split the already in X split row data into column data
- Final Select**
  - Put the column values into separate columns using a case clauses
  - Accumulate the table on the row information

ROWKEY	EMPLOYEEENO	NAME	FIRSTNAME	ADDRESS	COUNTRY	ZIPCODE	CITY
2 10		Meier und Sohn		Industriestr. 3-13	DE	80333	Muenchen
3 20		Bauer	Herrmann	Wald-und-Wiesen-Weg. 4	DE	63128	Dietzenbach
4 40		Hauser	Birgitta	Koenigsteiner Allee 59	DE	63128	Dietzenbach
5 60		Lehmann	Maria	Schwarzwaldstr. 26	DE	77880	Sasbach



# Read \*.csv File with embedded SQL

```

DCL-S DsplyText Char(50);
DCL-DS Gb1DSCsrCsv01 Qualified Inz;
RowKey Int(10);
EmployeeNo Int(10);
Name VarChar(50);
FirstName VarChar(50);
Address VarChar(50);
ZipCode VarChar(10);
City VarChar(50);
Country VarChar(4);
End-Ds;
    
```

- Output Data Structure for the Cursor

```

Exec SQL
Declare CsrCsv01 Cursor For
With x as (Select Ordinal_Position as RowKey, Element as RowInfo
            from Table(SysTools.Split(
                    Get_Clob_From_File(
                        '/home/Hauser/Employee1.csv'),
                    x'0D25')) a
            where Trim(Element) > ''),
y as (Select x.*, Ordinal_Position ColKey,
            Trim(B '''' from Element) as ColInfo
            from x cross join
            Table(SysTools.Split(RowInfo, ',')) a)
Select RowKey,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 1 Then ColInfo End) EmployeeNo,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 2 Then ColInfo End) Name,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 3 Then ColInfo End) FirstName,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 4 Then ColInfo End) Address,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 5 Then ColInfo End) ZipCode,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 6 Then ColInfo End) City,
       Min(Case When ColKey = 7 Then ColInfo End) Country
From y
Where RowKey > 1
Group By RowKey
Order By EmployeeNo;

Exec SQL Close CsrCsv01;
Exec SQL Open CsrCsv01;

DOU I=0;
Exec SQL Fetch Next From CsrCsv01 into :Gb1DSCsrCsv01;
If SQLCODE = 100 or SQLCODE < *Zeros;
Exec SQL Close CsrCsv01;
Leave;
EndIf;

DsplyText = XChar(Gb1DSCsrCsv01.EmployeeNo) + ' ' +
           XChar(Trim(Gb1DSCsrCsv01.Name)) + ' ' +
           XChar(Trim(Gb1DSCsrCsv01.FirstName)) + ' ' +
           XChar(Trim(Gb1DSCsrCsv01.Address)) + ' ' +
           XChar(Trim(Gb1DSCsrCsv01.ZipCode)) + ' ' +
           XChar(Trim(Gb1DSCsrCsv01.City));

Dsply DsplyText;
EndDo;
*INLR = *On;
    
```

- Complete SQL Statement for reading and splitting the \*.csv File

- Cursor Handling



# Reading IFS Files with SQL



## IFS\_READ, IFS\_READ\_BINARY, IFS\_READ\_UTF8 – Table Functions Reading IFS Files

IFS_READ	{	Path_Name	=> IFSFileName	}
IFS_READ_BINARY		Maximum_Line_Length	=> MaximumCharactersPerLine	
IFS_READ_UTF8		End_Of_Line	=> EndOfLineCharacters	

### Read Data from an IFS (Integrated File System) Stream File

- **IFS\_READ** (Read) Data is converted into a **EBCDIC** Characters
- **IFS\_READ\_BINARY** (Read) Data stays **unconverted**
- **IFS\_READ\_UTF8** (Read) Data is converted into **UTF-8**

Data can be returned as **one string** or be converted into **multiple rows**

→ depending on the End Of Line specification



## Read IFS Stream File with SQL - Example

```
Select * from Table(IFS_READ_UTF8('/home/Hauser/Employee1.csv')) x;
```

LINE_NUMBER	LINE
1	"EMPLOYEEENO", "NAME", "FIRSTNAME", "ADDRESS", "ZIPCODE", "CITY", "COUNTRY"
2 10	"Meier und Sohn", "", "Industriestr. 3-13", "80333", "Muenchen", "DE"
3 20	"Bauer", "Herrmann", "Wald-und-Wiesen-Weg. 4", "63128", "Dietzenbach", "DE"
4 40	"Hauser", "Birgitta", "Koenigsteiner Allee 59", "63128", "Dietzenbach", "DE"
5 60	"Lehmann", "Maria", "Schwarzwaldstr. 26", "77880", "Sasbach", "DE"
6 50	"Burger", "Emil", "Nelkenweg 21", "86916", "Kaufering", "DE"
7 80	"Miller", "Katrin", "Am Lech 35", "86916", "Kaufering", "DE"

- Read /home/Hauser/Employee1.csv file and convert the result into UTF-8
- Line Break occurs on any End\_Of\_Line Character



## Read IFS Stream File with SQL and split it into Columns - Example

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```
With x as (Select * from Table(IFS_READ_UTF8('/home/Hauser/Employee1.csv'))),
y as (Select x.*, Ordinal_Position ColKey, Trim(B '''' from Element) ColInfo
      from x cross join Table(SysTools.Split(Line, ',')))
Select Line_Number,
      Min(Case When ColKey = 1 Then ColInfo End) EmployeeNo,
      Min(Case When ColKey = 2 Then ColInfo End) Name,
      Min(Case When ColKey = 3 Then ColInfo End) FirstName,
      Min(Case When ColKey = 4 Then ColInfo End) Address,
      Min(Case When ColKey = 5 Then ColInfo End) Country,
      Min(Case When ColKey = 6 Then ColInfo End) ZipCode,
      Min(Case When ColKey = 7 Then ColInfo End) City
From y
Where Line_Number > 1
Group By Line_Number
Order By Line_Number
```

• IFS File

- CTE x: Read IFS-File with the IFS\_READ\_UTF8 UDTF Split it into Rows
- CTE y: Split the Rows into columns with the SPLIT UDTF
- Final Select: Accumulate the columns

LINE_NUMBER	EMPLOYEEENO	NAME	FIRSTNAME	ADDRESS	COUNTRY	ZIPCODE	CITY
210		Meier und Sohn		Industriestr. 3-13	80333	Muenchen	DE
320		Bauer	Herrmann	Wald-und-Wiesen-Weg. 4	63128	Dietzenbach	DE
440		Hauser	Birgitta	Koenigsteiner Allee 59	63128	Dietzenbach	DE
560		Lehmann	Maria	Schwarzwaldstr. 26	77880	Sasbach	DE
650		Burger	Emil	Nelkenweg 21	86916	Kaufering	DE
780		Miller	Katrin	Am Lech 35	86916	Kaufering	DE



# Read \*.csv File with embedded SQL

```

DCL-S DsplyText Char(50);
DCL-DS Gb1DSCsrCsv03 Qualified Inz;
RowKey Int(10);
EmployeeNo Int(10);
Name VarChar(50);
FirstName VarChar(50);
Address VarChar(50);
ZipCode VarChar(10);
City VarChar(50);
Country VarChar(4);
End-Ds;
    
```

- Output Data Structure for the Cursor

```

Exec SQL
Declare CsrCsv03 Cursor For
with x as (Select *
from table(IFS_READ_UTF8(
'/home/Hauser/Employee1.csv'))),
y as (Select x.*, Ordinal_Position ColKey,
Trim(B'''' from Element) ColInfo
from x cross join Table(SysTools.Split(Line, ',')))
Select Line_Number,
Min(Case When ColKey = 1 Then ColInfo End) EmployeeNo,
Min(Case When ColKey = 2 Then ColInfo End) Name,
Min(Case When ColKey = 3 Then ColInfo End) FirstName,
Min(Case When ColKey = 4 Then ColInfo End) Address,
Min(Case When ColKey = 5 Then ColInfo End) Country,
Min(Case When ColKey = 6 Then ColInfo End) ZipCode,
Min(Case When ColKey = 7 Then ColInfo End) City
From y
Where Line_Number > 1
Group By Line_Number
Order By Line_Number;
Exec SQL Close CsrCsv03;
Exec SQL Open CsrCsv03;

DOU 1=0;
Exec SQL Fetch Next From CsrCsv03 into :Gb1DSCsrCsv03;
If SQLCODE = 100 or SQLCODE < *Zeros;
Exec SQL Close CsrCsv03;
Leave;
EndIf;

DsplyText = %Char(Gb1DSCsrCsv03.EmployeeNo) + ' ' +
Trim(Gb1DSCsrCsv03.Name) + ' ' +
Trim(Gb1DSCsrCsv03.FirstName) + ' ' +
Trim(Gb1DSCsrCsv03.City);
Dsply DsplyText;
EndDo;
*INLR = *ON;
    
```

- Complete SQL Statement for reading and splitting the \*.csv File
- Read IFS File with the IFS\_READ\_UTF8 Function

- Cursor Handling



# Read \*.csv File in a View with embedded SQL

```

DCL-S DsplyText Char(50);
//-----
Exec SQL
Declare CsrCsv02 Cursor For
Select EmployeeNo concat ' ' concat Trim(Name) Concat ', '
concat Trim(FirstName) Concat ' '
concat Trim(City)
from Emplcsvgv02
Order By EmployeeNo;

Exec SQL Close CsrCsv02;
Exec SQL Open CsrCsv02;

DOU 1=0;
Exec SQL Fetch Next From CsrCsv02 into :DsplyText;
If SQLCODE = 100 or SQLCODE < *Zeros;
Exec SQL Close CsrCsv02;
Leave;
EndIf;

Dsply DsplyText;
EndDo;

*INLR = *On;
    
```

- SELECT Statement / Complexity hidden in the SQL View



# Embedded SQL and RESTful Web-Services



## http Functions for Db2 for i

### Scalar and Table Functions (names starting with http)

- Located in the **SYSTOOLS** schema

#### Function Names

- **http (Method) (DataType) (Verbose)**

- **Method:** **GET, PUT, POST, DELETE, HEAD**  
Without method → Method passed as **parameter value**
- **Data type:** of the request AND response messages  
**CLOB** (Character Large Object) / **BLOB** (Binary Large Object)
- **Verbose:** with Verbose: **Table function** with 2 columns  
1st column: http header information  
2nd column: response message  
without Verbose: **Scalar Function** → response message only

- **Examples:** **httpGetClob(), httpPutBlobVerbose(), httpClob()**



# Access Client Solutions (ACS) http Functions in Schema SYSTOOLS

Name	Type	Return	Input	Specific	Fenced	Program	Secure
		TS	Parameters	Name			
BASE64ENCODE	External	VARCHAR	1	BASE6400002	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.base64Encode	No
BASE64ENCODE	External	VARCHAR	1	BASE6400001	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.base64Encode	No
GROUP_PTF_DETAILS	SQL	Table	1	GROUP00001	No	SYSTOOLS.GROUP00001(GROUP_PTF_DETAILS_1)	No
HTTPBLOB	SQL	BLOB	4	HTTPB000002	Yes	SYSTOOLS.HTTPB000002(HTTPBLOB_1)	No
HTTPBLOB	External	BLOB	4	HTTPB000001	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpBlob	No
HTTPBLOBVERBOSE	SQL	Table	4	HTTPB000004	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPB000004(HTTPBLOBVERBOSE_1))	No
HTTPBLOBVERBOSE	External	Table	4	HTTPB000003	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpBlobVerbose	No
HTTPCLOB	External	CLOB	4	HTTPC000001	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpClob	No
HTTPCLOB	SQL	CLOB	4	HTTPC000002	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPC000002(HTTPCLOB_1))	No
HTTPCLOBVERBOSE	SQL	Table	4	HTTPC000004	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPC000004(HTTPCLOBVERBOSE_1))	No
HTTPCLOBVERBOSE	External	Table	4	HTTPC000003	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpClobVerbose	No
HTTPDELETEBLOB	External	BLOB	2	HTTPD000001	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpDeleteBlob	No
HTTPDELETEBLOB	SQL	BLOB	2	HTTPD000002	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPD000002(HTTPDELETEBLOB_1))	No
HTTPDELETEBLOBVERBOSE	External	Table	2	HTTPD000003	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpDeleteBlobVerbose	No
HTTPDELETEBLOBVERBOSE	SQL	Table	2	HTTPD000004	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPD000004(HTTPDELETEBLOBVERBOSE_1))	No
HTTPDELETECLOB	External	CLOB	2	HTTPD000005	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpDeleteClob	No
HTTPDELETECLOB	SQL	CLOB	2	HTTPD000006	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPD000006(HTTPDELETECLOB_1))	No
HTTPDELETECLOBVERBOSE	External	Table	2	HTTPD000007	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpDeleteClobVerbose	No
HTTPDELETECLOBVERBOSE	SQL	Table	2	HTTPD000008	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPD000008(HTTPDELETECLOBVERBOSE_1))	No
HTTPGETBLOB	External	BLOB	2	HTTPG000001	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpGetBlob	No
HTTPGETBLOB	SQL	Table	2	HTTPG000002	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPG000002(HTTPGETBLOB_1))	No
HTTPGETBLOBVERBOSE	External	Table	2	HTTPG000003	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpGetBlobVerbose	No
HTTPGETBLOBVERBOSE	SQL	Table	2	HTTPG000004	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPG000004(HTTPGETBLOBVERBOSE_1))	No
HTTPGETCLOB	External	CLOB	2	HTTPG000005	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpGetClob	No
HTTPGETCLOB	SQL	CLOB	2	HTTPG000006	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPG000006(HTTPGETCLOB_1))	No
HTTPGETCLOBVERBOSE	External	Table	2	HTTPG000007	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpGetClobVerbose	No
HTTPGETCLOBVERBOSE	SQL	Table	2	HTTPG000008	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPG000008(HTTPGETCLOBVERBOSE_1))	No
HTTPHEAD	SQL	XML	2	HTTPH000002	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPH000002(HTTPHEAD_1))	No
HTTPHEAD	External	CLOB	2	HTTPH000001	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpHead	No
HTTPPOSTBLOB	SQL	BLOB	3	HTTPP000000	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPP000000(HTTPPOSTBLOB_1))	No
HTTPPOSTBLOB	External	BLOB	3	HTTPP000009	Yes	SYSTOOLS.DB2RESTUDF.com.ibm.db2.rest.DB2UDFWrapper.httpPostBlob	No
HTTPPOSTBLOBVERBOSE	SQL	Table	3	HTTPP000012	Yes	SYSTOOLS(HTTPP000012(HTTPPOSTBLOBVERBOSE_1))	No

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## Consuming Web Service - Check CreditCard No

- Credit Card Checker – Bincodes: <https://www.bincodes.com/api-creditcard-checker/>

### Attention:

- Job CCSID must be anything else than 65535
- You need your **own API key!** In this example is the API key hidden in a SQL global variable

```
https://api.bincodes.com/cc/?format=[FORMAT]&api_key=[API_KEY]&cc=[CC]
```

```
{
  "bin": "371449",
  "bank": "AMERICAN EXPRESS US CONSUMER",
  "card": "AMERICAN EXPRESS",
  "type": "CREDIT",
  "level": "PERSONAL",
  "country": "UNITED STATES",
  "countrycode": "US",
  "website": "",
  "phone": "",
  "valid": "true"
}
```

**Valid Credit Card No**

```
{
  "error": "1014",
  "message": "Invalid Credit Card or Debit Card Number"
}
```

**Error**

```
DCL-DS Templ_CreditCard Template Qualified Inz;
CredCardNo VarChar(25);
BIN VarChar(20);
Bank VarChar(128);
Card VarChar(50);
Type VarChar(20);
Level VarChar(20);
Country VarChar(128);
CountryCode VarChar(5);
Website VarChar(128);
Phone VarChar(50);
Valid VarChar(5);
ErrorCode VarChar(5);
ErrorMsg VarChar(128);
ValidInd Ind;
End-Ds;
```

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# Consuming Web Service - Check CreditCard No

```

Exec SQL
Set :LocURL = 'https://api.bincodes.com/cc/?format=json&api_key='
concat Trim(GBLKEYBINCODES)
concat '&cc=' concat Trim(:ParCreditCard);

Exec SQL
Select :ParCreditCard, x.*, '0' into :RtnCreditCardInfo
from JSON_TABLE(SysTools.HTTPGETCLOB(:LocURL, ''), '$'
Columns(Bin Varchar(10) Path '$.bin'
bank Varchar(128) Path '$.bank' Default '' on Empty,
card Varchar(50) Path '$.card' Default '' on Empty,
cardtype Varchar(20) Path '$.type' Default '' on Empty,
cardlevel Varchar(20) Path '$.level' Default '' on Empty,
Country Varchar(128) Path '$.country' Default '' on Empty,
CountryCde Varchar(5) Path '$.countrycode' Default '' on Empty,
website Varchar(128) Path '$.website' Default '' on Empty,
phone Varchar(50) Path '$.phone' Default '' on Empty,
valid Varchar(10) Path '$.valid' Default '' on Empty,
ErrorCode Varchar(10) Path '$.error' Default '' on Empty,
ErrMsg Varchar(256) Path '$.message' Default '' on Empty)
) X;
    
```

• Build URL

• Receive Data from a Web service into a Data Structure with an SELECT ... INTO Statement

- HTTPGETCLOB()
  - Receive (JSON/XML) Data from a Web-service
- JSON\_TABLE()
  - Parse the JSON Data



# Call a RPG Program/Web Service through the browser

The screenshots show the following JSON data:

- All Data:** A list of sales records for various years (2013, 2014, 2015) and customers (10001, 10002, 10003, 10004).
- Sales Year 2014:** A filtered list of sales records specifically for the year 2014 across different customers.
- Customer 10003 and Sales Year 2015:** A filtered list of sales records for customer 10003 in the year 2015.
- Customer 10003:** A filtered list of sales records for customer 10003 across all years.



# RESTful Web Service RPG/Embedded SQL - H and D Specifications

```

CTL-Opt BndDir('HSBNDDIR05': 'WEBSRVUTL')
DecEdit('0.') Option(*NoDebugIO: *NoUnRef) Alloc(*TeraSpace)
Main(WEBJSON01);

//If Defined (*CRTBNDRPG)
Ctl-Opt ActGrp('WEBJSON01');
//EndIf
*****
//Include WebSrvUtl/QCPYSRC,WEBSRVUTL
//Include WebSrvUtl/QCPYSRC,APIERR
*****
DCL-S GblJSONData SQLType(CLOB: 1000000) CCSID(1208);

//URL-Key Information
DCL-DS GblDSUrKey Qualified Inz;
CustNo VarChar(15);
SalesYear Packed(4);
End-DS;
    
```

- Calling procedures from the WEBSRVUTL open source library from Rainer Ross
- <https://github.com/RainerRoss/WEBSRVUTL>

- JSON Data is written into a CLOB (Character Large Object) variable with CCSID 1208 = UTF8

- The query string variables are loaded into the GblDSUrKey global data structure



## Program for the RESTful Web Service Main-Procedure

```

DCL-Proc WEBJSON01;

DCL-S LocHeader like(GblHeader);
DCL-S LocErrMsg VarChar(132);
//-----
Monitor;
Clear GblDSUrKey;
Clear GblJSONData;

LocHeader = getHeader();
getInput();
GblDSUrKey.CustNo = %Trim(getKeyValue('CustNo'));

Monitor;
GblDSUrKey.SalesYear = %Dec(getKeyValue('SalesYear'): 4: 0);
On-Error;
Clear GblDSUrKey.SalesYear;
EndMon;
    
```

- getHeader() – Receive the Header Information
- getInput() – Receive the URL data
- getKeyValue() – Determine the key values

- Generating the JSON Data using SQL

```

WrtStdout %Addr(LocHeader:*Data): %Len(LocHeader): DsApierr);
WrtStdout %Addr(GblJSONData_Data): GblJSONData_Len: DsApierr);
end-proc;
    
```

- wrtStdOut() – Send Header and data to the browser



# Program for the RESTful Web Service Generate the JSON Data

```
exec sql
With x as (Select Year(SalesDate) SalesYear, CustNo,
               Sum(Amount) Sales,
               Cast(Avg(Amount) as Dec(11, 2)) Average
           From HSRPPG.SalesX
           Where CustNo = Case When :GblDUrlKey.CustNo > ''
                               Then :GblDUrlKey.CustNo
                               Else CustNo End
               and Year(SalesDate)
               = Case When :GblDUrlKey.SalesYear > 0
                     Then :GblDUrlKey.SalesYear
                     Else Year(SalesDate) End
           Group By Year(SalesDate), CustNo)

Select JSON_Object('SalesYear':
                  JSON_ArrayAgg(
                    JSON_Object('SalesYear' : SalesYear,
                                'Customer' : Trim(CustNo),
                                'Sales' : Sales,
                                'AvgSales' : Average)
                    Order By SalesYear, CustNo))
into :GblJSONData
From x;
If SQLCODE < *Zeros;
Exec SQL Get Diagnostics Condition 1 :LocErrMsg=MESSAGE_TEXT;
Exec SQL Set :GblJSONData = JSON_Object('Error': :LocErrMsg);
EndIf;
```

## Common Table Expression

→ Determine the output data

→ Based on the passed key values

## Final Select:

→ Generate the JSON data

→ Predefine the sequence by adding an ORDER BY clause to the JSON\_ArrayAgg() function

→ Write the JSON data into a CLOB Variable



# Any Questions?



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