



Introducing Db2 Stored Procedures on z/OS

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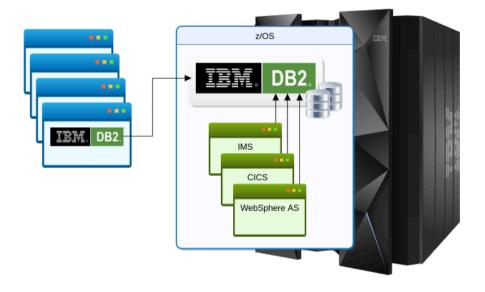
Introducing Db2 Stored Procedures on z/OS

In this module, you will be introduced to Db2 stored procedures on z/OS, which have many specific features, functions, and requirements.

Db2 database administrators (DBAs) and application programmers must understand stored procedures on z/OS so they can develop, implement, and maintain them. Managers and help desk staff also require this knowledge to manage problems and projects involving stored procedures on z/OS.

After completing this module, you will able to identify:

- The Benefits of Using Stored Procedures in a z/OS Environment
- How Stored Procedures are Created on z/OS
- Maintenance and Management Aspects Associated With Stored Procedures in a z/OS Environment



Db2 on the mainframe is often used as a central database hub that services many client applications, both on and off the mainframe.

In addition to exceptional availability, security, and performance, Db2 on z/OS has unique features, such as Db2 data-sharing groups. Stored procedures can, therefore, be especially valuable to Db2 on z/OS users and administrators.



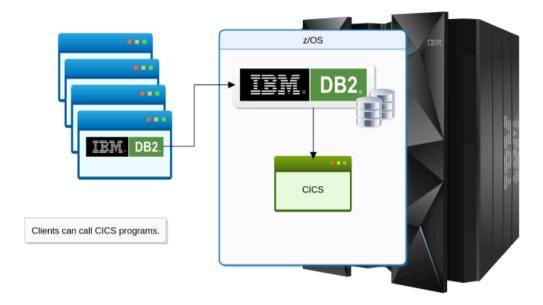




Db2 stored procedures on z/OS provide the same benefits as other platforms, enhancing the manageability of Db2-based client-server computing.

Click Play to see some of the z/OS-specific advantages above.

Features of Stored Procedures on z/OS > Non-Db2 Resources



In addition to accessing Db2 databases, users of Db2 stored procedures can also access other z/OS data, applications, and services.

Click Play to see some of these above.



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Features of Stored Procedures on z/OS > Types



Internal stored procedure

- No executable or source is stored outside of DB2
- Procedure is written in SQL procedural language (SQL PL)
- Runs in the DB2 DBM1 address space

As with Db2 on other platforms, Db2 stored procedures on z/OS can be internal or external.

Click Play to see an example of this concept.





When a System z Integrated Information Processor (ZIIP) is available, some of the internal stored procedure processing is automatically scheduled on zIIP, which reduces the load on general purpose processors.

zIIP workloads are not included in software licensing costs so performing processing on zIIPs can yield cost savings.





Features of Stored Procedures on z/OS > External Stored Procedures



External stored procedure

- Generally slower than internal stored procedures.
- Runs in a separate WLM managed stored procedure address space.

External stored procedures run in separate address spaces that are controlled by z/OS Workload Manager (WLM). These can be written in several different languages.

Click Play to see an example of this concept.





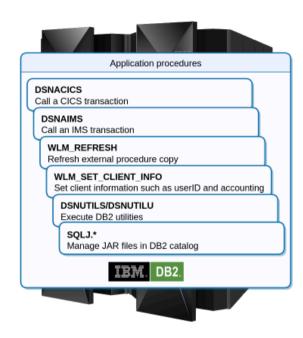
Like all Db2 resources, stored procedures on one Db2 system can be accessed by any Db2 subsystem in the same Db2 data-sharing group, or by any Db2 client using Open Database Connectivity (ODBC) or Distributed Relational Database Architecture (DRDA).



All stored procedures are secured in the same way as other Db2 resources, that is, by using internal Db2 security, or by using an external security manager (ESM) such as IBM Security Server (RACF) or CA-ACF2.



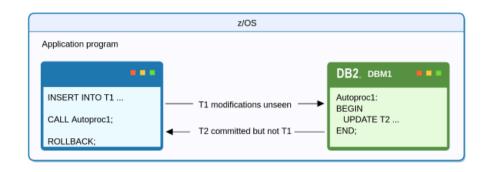




Db2 on z/OS also provides standard stored procedures to perform the following tasks, most of which run as external stored procedures:

- Administer Db2
- · Access z/OS data sets
- · Control z/OS jobs
- · Access CICS and IMS transactions
- · Manage JAR files





The autonomous stored procedure will have been created like other procedures shown in this module, using the CREATE PROCEDURE statement. The difference is that within the procedure, an AUTONOMOUS property is specified.

CREATE PROCEDURE AUTOPROC1
...
LANGUAGE SQL
...
AUTONOMOUS
...
END

For internal stored procedures, Db2 for z/OS V11 now allows you to create a procedure that performs its task independently of the calling application. This is called an autonomous stored procedure.

It means that the autonomous procedure can perform a task such as updating data to include a message in a report table, and then return control to the calling application. If the caller application then failed with its task, Db2 would only roll back that component's work and not the autonomous stored procedure activity.





Features of Stored Procedures on z/OS > Triggers and User-Defined Functions



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- Can only include SQL statements and DB2 built-in functions.
- Must call a UDF or stored procedure for more complex tasks.



In some ways, SQL stored procedures are similar to triggers and user-defined functions (UDFs), but, there are important differences.

Click Play to see these differences.



Stored procedures are similar to triggers and UDFs in some ways, but there are important differences.

External stored procedures can be written in C/C++, assembler, COBOL, PL/I, REXX, and SQL PL.

Internal stored procedures run in the DB2 DBM1 address space, and can run on zIIP processors.

Stored procedures on z/OS enable programs to access DB2 resources in addition to non-DB2 resources such as IMS and CICS transactions, RRS services, WebSphere MQ Queues, and VSAM and sequential data sets.

Stored procedures are secured in the same way as other DB2 resources.

External stored procedures run in separate WLM-managed address spaces. \\



Stored procedures on one DB2 system can be accessed by any DB2 subsystem in the same DB2 data-sharing group, or by any DB2 client using ODBC or DRDA.

You have now been introduced to Db2 stored procedures on z/OS.

Next, you will discover how to create a stored procedure on z/OS.



The process of creating a stored procedure on z/OS depends on the type of the stored procedure that is being created.





An internal stored procedure can be created with a simple SQL CREATE PROCEDURE statement. After creation, it is ready to run and nothing else needs to be done.





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How to Create Stored Procedures > External Preparation



NLM

WLM must be customized to manage the address spaces where the external stored procedures will run.

REXX libraries, Java class libraries, and program libraries must be included in the JCL.

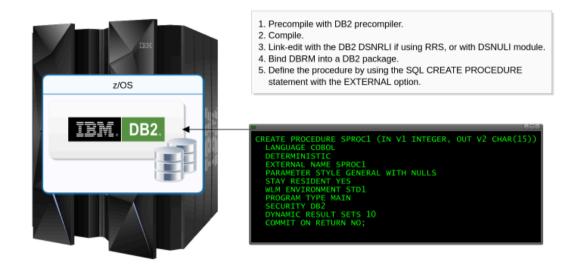
Some Db2 and z/OS customization must be performed before external stored procedures can be run.

Click Play to see further examples of this concept.





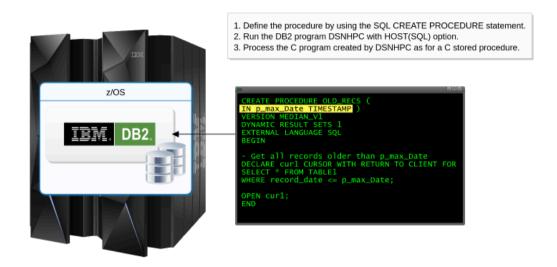




As with any program that accesses Db2, external stored procedures that are in HLLs, such as COBOL, C, or PL/I, must be compiled and bound.

Preparing re-entrant HLL stored procedures improves their performance. Sample stored procedures are included in the Db2 SDSNSAMP data set.





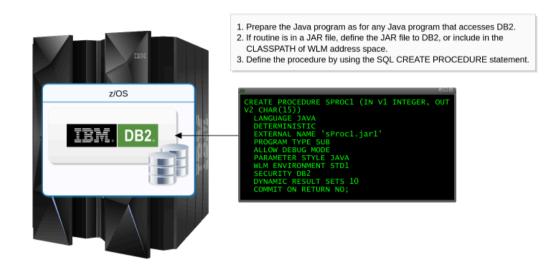
To create an external SQL PL procedure, a C program must be created from the SQL PL source. The stored procedure is then created from this C program.

Sample external SQL PL stored procedures, and the jobs that are used to install them, are included in the Db2 SDSNSAMP data set. Db2 also supplies a REXX-stored procedure that can create an external stored procedure from SQL PL: DSNTPSMP. Other software development packages can also be used.









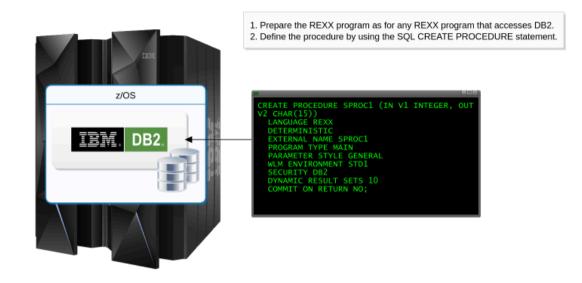
Java can be used to create external stored procedures. These programs can use JDBC methods, SQLJ clauses, or both. If using SQLJ, a preprocessing step and bind processing is required.











REXX can also be used to create external stored procedures. Db2 REXX Language Support must be installed.

REXX stored procedures do not require preparation like other REXX programs accessing Db2 because they are run by using one of the following predefined packages:

- DSNREXRR Repeatable read (RR)
- DSNREXRS Read stability (RS)
- DSNREXCS Cursor stability (CS)
- DSNREXUR Uncommitted read (UR)





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CREATE PROCEDURE SPROC1 (IN V1 INTEGER, OUT V2 CHAR(15))

LANGUAGE COBOL

DETERMINISTIC

EXTERNAL NAME SPROC1

PARAMETER STYLE GENERAL WITH NULLS

STAY RESIDENT YES

WLM ENVYRONMENT STD1

ASUTIME LIMIT 1500

PROGRAM TYPE MAIN

RUN OPTIONS 'MSCFILE(OUTFILE)'

SECURITY DB2

DYNANIC RESULT SETS 10

COMMIT ON RETURN NO;
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The z/OS-specific CREATE PROCEDURE options that apply to individual stored procedures are shown above.

Mouse-over these options for more information.





How to Create Stored Procedures > IMS



DSNAIMS

The DB2-supplied external stored procedure to call IMS transactions or access IMS databases is DSNAIMS.

DSNAIMS accesses IMS by using IMS Open Transaction Manager Access (OTMA), and requires DB2 RRSAF, IMS 7 or later, and the IMS OTMA command interface to be enabled. IMS must be on the same z/OS system as DB2

Db2 stored procedures on z/OS can call IMS transactions and access IMS databases in several different ways.

Click Play to see a demonstration of this concept.

How to Create Stored Procedures > CICS



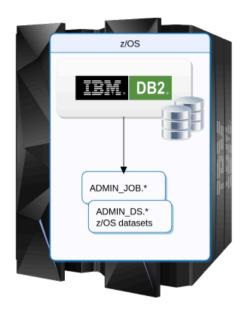
DSNACICS

DSNACICS is the DB2-supplied external stored procedure to call CICS programs. DSNACICS uses the CICS EXCI interface, and requires DB2 RRSAF. CICS must be on the same z/OS system as DB2.

There are a number of different ways in which stored procedures can call CICS transactions and programs.

Click Play to see some examples.

How to Create Stored Procedures > Other External Data



Supplied stored procedures

DB2 supplies stored procedures to access z/OS data sets; and to submit and control z/OS batch jobs.

Db2-supplied stored procedures can be called to access other external z/OS resources, such as z/OS data sets, and also to submit and control z/OS batch jobs.

Click Play to see an example of this concept.





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How to Create Stored Procedures > Summary

IMS transactions and data can be accessed by using the DSNAIMS stored procedure, IMS ODBA, APPC, or WebSphere MQ.

External SQL PL stored procedures are converted to C programs using DB2 supplied utilities or stored procedures.

Stored procedures can use MQI calls to access WebSphere MQ.

DB2 and z/OS must be configured to enable external stored procedures to run. Internal stored procedures do not require extra configuration.

External stored procedures in HLLs, such as COBOL and C, must be prepared in the same way as any HLL routine that accesses DB2.

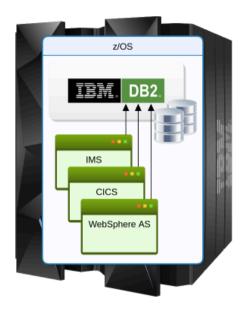
CICS programs can be accessed by using the DSNACICS stored procedure, the CICS EXCI interface, APPC, or WebSphere MQ.

DB2-supplied stored procedures can be used to access z/OS data sets.

External stored procedures require WLM to be configured to run the stored procedure address spaces. IBM Language Environment and RRS may also need to be configured.

You have now discovered how to create a Db2 stored procedure on z/OS, and how to access z/OS-specific functions. Next, you will look at the administration of Db2 stored procedures.





The work required for Db2 stored procedures does not end after their creation. Administrators must subsequently:

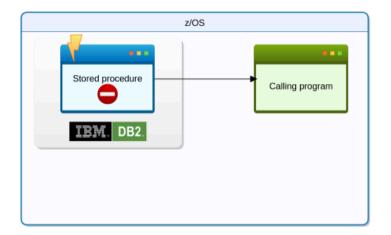
- Detect, diagnose, and fix errors
- · Maintain and update the stored procedures
- · Control stored procedures

Db2 on z/OS provides several tools that enable administrators to perform these tasks.





How to Maintain and Control Stored Procedures > Error Handling

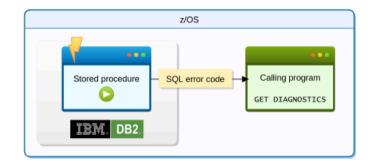


Abend processing

The stored procedure is stopped if its STOP AFTER n FAILURES value is reached, or if the DB2 subsystem's MAX ABEND COUNT value is reached. The stored procedure must then be manually restarted before it can be called again.

If a stored procedure fails, an SQL error code is returned to the caller.

Click Play to see the other actions that Db2 performs for stored procedures that abend.

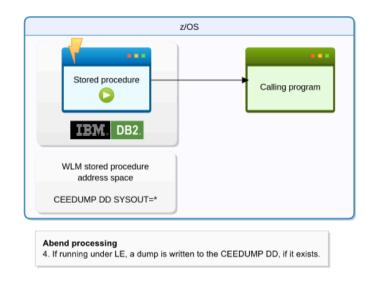


Calling programs can use the SQL return code and the SQL GET DIAGNOSTICS statement to identify and handle errors. External stored procedures running under LE can also output error messages to the SYSOUT or MSGFILE DD data sets.

Development tools such as the Db2 Unified Debugger can be used to debug stored procedures.







Definitions for all stored procedures can be altered by using the SQL ALTER PROCEDURE statement. This statement can also be used to update the SQL body of an internal stored procedure.

The SQL DROP SQL statement removes the stored procedure definition and all associated Db2 packages from the Db2 catalog.

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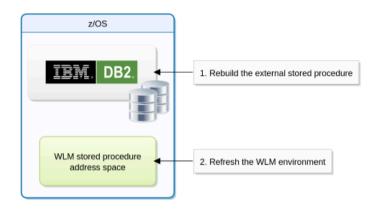












To update an external stored procedure's code, the procedure must be rebuilt. For example, a COBOL program must be precompiled, compiled, and bound, and the DBRM must be rebound into a package.

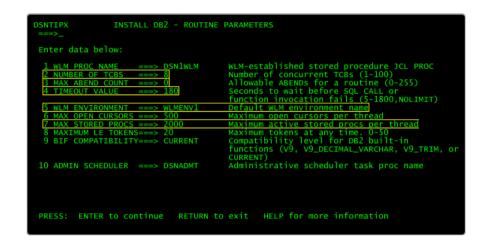
Additionally, the WLM environment must be refreshed by either:

- Calling the Db2 WLM_REFRESH Stored Procedure. This is the preferred method.
- Issuing the z/OS command V WLM, APPLENV=name, REFRESH. This command stops existing stored procedure address spaces, and creates new ones.





How to Maintain and Control Stored Procedures > Subsystem Parameters



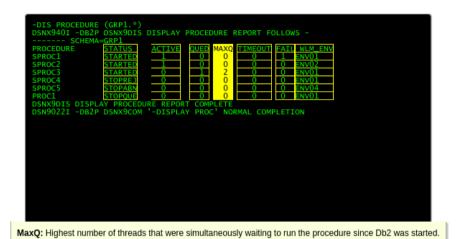
When defining a stored procedure by using the SQL CREATE PROCEDURE statement, parameters can be set to control the execution environment of the individual stored procedure.

Db2 also has several parameters that control how all stored procedures are executed. These parameters are set and changed by using the DSNTIPX panel in the Db2 installation CLIST.

Mouse-over the graphic for more information.







Information about individual stored procedures can be displayed by using the Db2 DISPLAY PROCEDURE command. In the above example, all stored procedures in the GRP1 schema are displayed.

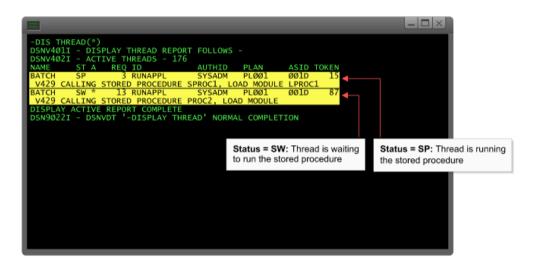
Stored procedures can be stopped by using the Db2 STOP PROCEDURE command. This will stop any new requests, but will allow existing requests to finish. Stored procedures can be restarted by using the Db2 START PROCEDURE command.

Mouse-over the command output for more information.









The Db2 DISPLAY THREAD command shows information about threads that are running a stored procedure, or waiting for a stored procedure.







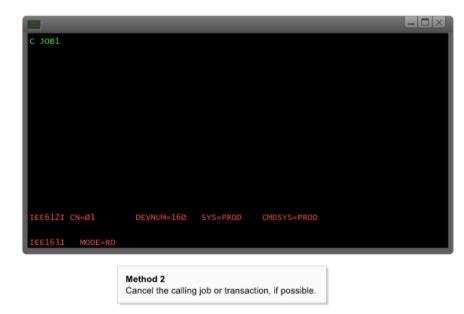


The z/OS console command shown above can be used to display the status of an application environment in which a stored procedure runs.





How to Maintain and Control Stored Procedures > Cancelling



Occasionally, a stored procedure must be cancelled manually if, for example, it is looping and it was created with ASUTIME = NOLIMIT, which is the default ASUTIME value.

Click Play to see the three different methods of cancelling a stored procedure.



How to Maintain and Control Stored Procedures > Summary

To alter an external stored procedure, the stored procedure module must be rebuilt and the WLM environment refreshed.

Individual stored procedure execution parameters are specified by using the CREATE PROCEDURE and ALTER PROCEDURE SQL statements.

The body of an internal stored procedure can be updated by using the SQL ALTER PROCEDURE REPLACE statement.

Stored procedure execution parameters can be changed by using the SQL ALTER PROCEDURE statement.

Parameters for all stored procedures are specified in the DSNTIPX panel of the DB2 install CLIST.

Stored Procedures are removed using the SQL DROP statement.

DB2 stored procedures return an SQL error code to the calling routine. The SQL GET DIAGNOSTICS statement is used to obtain more information. You should check the success or failure of every stored procedure call.



The DB2 commands DISPLAY PROCEDURE and DISPLAY THREAD can be used to display stored procedure status and statistics. The D WLM z/OS command displays the status of an application environment in which stored procedures run.

You have now discovered how to maintain and control stored procedures.





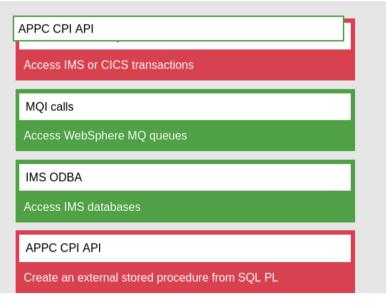
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Drag each Db2 function or procedure to the task that it is used to perform.

Click Check My Answer when you are finished.

That is incorrect

Mouse-over or touch the incorrect answers to view the correct options.



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Which four statements describing this output from a Db2 command are true?

Select the correct options.

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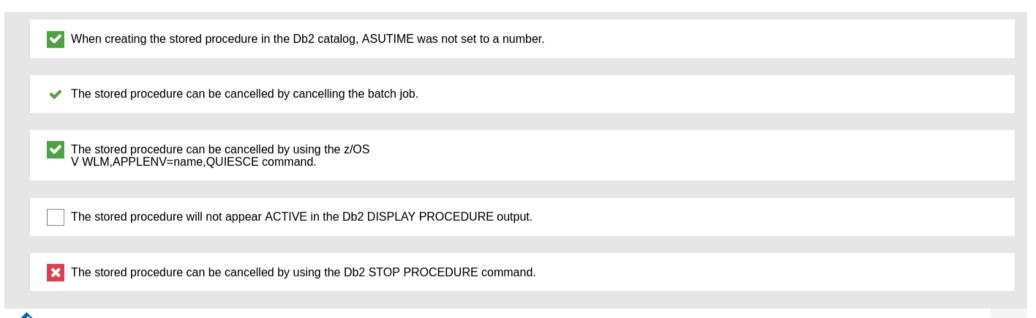
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That is incorrect

ASUTIME has not been set; if ASUTIME was set to a number, Db2 would cancel the stored procedure when the CPU usage reached that number,

The Db2 STOP PROCEDURE command will stop any new work for a stored procedure, but it will not cancel a stored procedure that is running.

The stored procedure will always appear in the Db2 DISPLAY PROCEDURE output.



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