# **Dynamic SQL**

In JDBC API, you'll need to execute a variety of queries. MyBatis meets the demand of users for queries as it supports dynamic SQL language.

Flexibly responding against SQL statement compared to iBatis, MyBatis frees users from demand of learning in making use of dynamic elements.

In MyBatis, the dynamic SQL elements are similar to the text processor based upon either JSTL or XML. Also offered by MyBatis is OGNL-based expression by which you can use dynamic elements much easier than the conventional iBatis.

## How to use basic Dynamic elements

#### Sample Dynamic SQL mapper xml

Refer to the following Sql mapper for MyBatis dynamic elements one-o-one. Note that the following Sql mapper involves dynamic enable/disable of where EMP\_NO = #{empNo} depending on empNo:

```
<select id="selectJobHistListUsingDynamicElement"</pre>
parameterType="egovframework.rte.psl.dataaccess.vo.JobHistVO"
resultMap="egovframework.rte.psl.dataaccess.vo.JobHistVO">
                  <![CDATA[
                            select EMP NO
                                                as empNo,
                                    START DATE as startDate,
                                    END DATE
                                                  as endDate.
                                    JOB
                                                as job,
                                    SAL
                                                 as sal,
                                   COMM
                                                  as comm,
                                   DEPT NO
                                                  as deptNo
                            from
                                   JOBHIST
                  ]]>
                  <where>
                            <if test="empNo != null">
                                     EMP NO = \#\{empNo\}
                            </if>
                  </where>
         </select>
```

When a content is returned by way of tag, you can find the element "WHERE" appearing on the syntax. The element does not appear unless the entirety of sub-elements are satisfied.

Note that "AND" and "OR" at the beginning of the contents are ignored.

#### if

"IF" is the most commonly used dynamic element for selective retrieval of string. Used in a WHERE paragraph, an IF statement should comprise value(s) in it to prevent return of the results.

```
JOB as job,
                           MGR as mgr,
                           HIRE DATE as hireDate,
                           SAL as sal,
                           COMM as comm,
                           DEPT NO as deptNo
                  from EMP
         ]]>
         <where>
                  <if test="empNo != null">
                           EMP_NO = \#\{empNo\}
                  </if>
                  <if test="empName != null">
                           EMP NAME LIKE '%' || #{empName} || '%'
                  </if>
         </where>
</select>
```

"IF" is most commonly used to draw comparison among the specific properties in a transferred factor.

## choose (when, otherwise)

Working quite similar to SWITCH statement in Java, The "CHOOSE" element is used when a single condition, among others, should be applied.

Refer to the following coding example to retrieve MGR information and, if any, EMP information. Employee information is returned when no other information is retrievable.

## trim (where, set)

Meanwhile, refer to the following example for <trim prefix="WHERE" prefixOverrides="AND|OR">, working the same with <where> for trimming:

```
SAL as sal,
COMM as comm,
DEPT_NO as deptNo
from EMP

]]>
<trim prefix="WHERE" prefixOverrides="AND|OR ">
<if test="empNo != null">
EMP_NO = #{empNo}
</if>
<if test="empName != null">
EMP_NAME LIKE '%' || #{empName} || '%'
</if>
</trim>
```

#### foreach

Refer to the following example for Sql mapper XML that contains IN statement, the most commonly used method of iterate tagging.

Among other functions that foreach offers, the collection is explicitly notified. While declaring variables Item and Index, the foreach element can contain the strings intended to open and close and delimiters:

```
<select id="selectJobHistListUsingDynamicNestedIterate"</pre>
parameterType="egovframework.rte.psl.dataaccess.util.EgovMap" resultMap="jobHistVO">
                   <![CDATA[
                            select EMP NO
                                                 as empNo,
                                     START DATE as startDate,
                                     END DATE
                                                    as endDate,
                                     JOB
                                                  as job,
                                     SAL
                                                  as sal,
                                     COMM
                                                    as comm,
                                     DEPT NO
                                                    as deptNo
                                    JOBHIST
                            from
                   ]]>
                            where
                             <foreach collection="condition" item="item" open="(" separator="and" close=")">
                                      ${item.columnName} ${item.columnOperation}
                                      <if test="item.nested == 'true'">
                                                <foreach item="item" index="index"</pre>
collection="item.columnValue" open="(" separator="," close=")">
                                                       '${item}'
                                                </foreach>
                                      </if>
                                      <if test="item.nested != 'true'">
                                                #{item.columnValue}
                                      </if>
                            </foreach>
                            order by EMP_NO, START_DATE
         </select>
```