X DevAPI User Guide for MySQL Shell in Python Mode

Abstract

User documentation for developers using X DevAPI.

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Chapter 1 Overview

This guide explains how to use the X DevAPI and provides examples of its functionality. The X DevAPI is implemented by MySQL Shell and MySQL Connectors that support X Protocol. For more background information and instructions on how to install and get started using X DevAPI, see Using MySQL as a Document Store. For quick-start tutorials introducing you to X DevAPI, see JavaScript Quick-Start Guide: MySQL Shell for Document Store and Python Quick-Start Guide: MySQL Shell for Document Store. In addition to this documentation, there is developer documentation for all X DevAPI methods in the API references, available from Connectors and APIs.

This section introduces the X DevAPI and provides an overview of the features available when using it to develop applications.

The X DevAPI wraps powerful concepts in a simple API.

- A new high-level session concept enables you to write code that can transparently scale from single MySQL Server to a multiple server environment. See Chapter 2, *Connection and Session Concepts*.
- Read operations are simple and easy to understand.
- Non-blocking, asynchronous calls follow common host language patterns.

The X DevAPI introduces a new, modern, and easy-to-learn way to work with your data.

- Documents are stored in Collections and have their dedicated CRUD operation set. See Chapter 4, *Working with Collections* and Chapter 5, *Working with Documents*.
- Work with your existing domain objects or generate code based on structure definitions for strictly typed languages. See Chapter 5, *Working with Documents*.
- Focus is put on working with data via CRUD operations. See Section 3.1, “CRUD Operations Overview”.
- Modern practices and syntax styles are used to get away from traditional SQL-String-Building. See Chapter 10, *Building Expressions* for details.

Chapter 2 Connection and Session Concepts

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This section explains the concepts of connections and sessions as used by the X DevAPI. Code examples for connecting to a MySQL Document Store (see Using MySQL as a Document Store) and using sessions are provided.

An X DevAPI session is a high-level database session concept that is different from working with traditional low-level MySQL connections. Sessions can encapsulate one or more actual MySQL connections when using the X Protocol. Use of this higher abstraction level decouples the physical MySQL setup from the application code. Sessions provide full support of X DevAPI and limited support of SQL.

For MySQL Shell, when a low-level MySQL connection to a single MySQL instance is needed this is still supported by using a ClassicSession, which provides full support of SQL.

Before looking at the concepts in more detail, the following examples show how to connect using a session.

2.1 Database Connection Example

The code that is needed to connect to a MySQL document store looks a lot like the traditional MySQL connection code, but now applications can establish logical sessions to MySQL server instances running the X Plugin. Sessions are produced by the `mysqlx` factory, and the returned sessions can encapsulate access to one or more MySQL server instances running X Plugin. Applications that use Session objects by default can be deployed on both single server setups and database clusters with no code changes.

Create an X DevAPI session using the `mysqlx.getSession(connection)` method. You pass in the connection parameters to connect to the MySQL server, such as the hostname and user, very much like the code in one of the classic APIs. The connection parameters can be specified as either a URI type string, for example `user:@localhost:33060`, or as a data dictionary, for example `{user: myuser, password: mypassword, host: example.com, port: 33060}`. See Connecting to the Server Using URI-Like Strings or Key-Value Pairs for more information.

The MySQL user account used for the connection should use either the `mysql_native_password` or `caching_sha2_password` authentication plugin, see Pluggable Authentication. The server you are connecting to should have encrypted connections enabled, the default in MySQL 8.0. This ensures that the client uses the X Protocol `PLAIN` password mechanism which works with user accounts that use either of the authentication plugins. If you try to connect to a server instance which does not have encrypted connections enabled, for user accounts that use the `mysql_native_password` plugin authentication is attempted using `MYSQL41` first, and for user accounts that use `caching_sha2_password` authentication falls back to `SHA256_MEMORY`.

The following example code shows how to connect to a MySQL server and get a document from the `my_collection` collection that has the field `name` starting with `L`. The example assumes that a

schema called `test` exists, and the `my_collection` collection exists. To make the example work, replace `user` with your username, and *`password`* with your password. If you are connecting to a different host or through a different port, change the host from `localhost` and the port from `33060`.

```
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

# Connect to server on localhost
mySession = mysqlx.get_session( {
        'host': 'localhost', 'port': 33060,
        'user': 'user', 'password': 'password' } )

myDb = mySession.get_schema('test')

# Use the collection 'my_collection'
myColl = myDb.get_collection('my_collection')

# Specify which document to find with Collection.find() and
# fetch it from the database with .execute()
myDocs = myColl.find('name like :param').limit(1).bind('param', 'L%').execute()

# Print document
document = myDocs.fetch_one()
print(document)

mySession.close()
```

2.2 Connecting to a Session

There are several ways of using a session to connect to MySQL depending on the specific setup in use. This section explains the different methods available.

2.2.1 Connecting to a Single MySQL Server

In this example a connection to a local MySQL Server instance running X Plugin on the default TCP/IP port 33060 is established using the MySQL user account *`user`* with its password. As no other parameters are set, default values are used.

```
# Passing the parameters in the { param: value } format
dictSession = mysqlx.get_session( {
        'host': 'localhost', 'port': 33060,
        'user': 'user', 'password': 'password' } )

db1 = dictSession.get_schema('test')

# Passing the parameters in the URI format
uriSession = mysqlx.get_session('user:password@localhost:33060')

db2 = uriSession.get_schema('test')
```

The following example shows how to connect to a single MySQL Server instance by providing a TCP/IP address “localhost” and the same user account as before. You are prompted to enter the user name and password in this case.

```
# Passing the parameters in the { param: value } format
# Query the user for the account information
print("Please enter the database user information.")
usr = shell.prompt("Username: ", {'defaultValue': "user"})
pwd = shell.prompt("Password: ", {'type': "password"})

# Connect to MySQL Server on a network machine
mySession = mysqlx.get_session( {
        'host': 'localhost', 'port': 33060,
        'user': usr, 'password': pwd} )

myDb = mySession.get_schema('test')
```

2.2.2 Connection Option Summary

When using an X DevAPI session the following options are available to configure the connection.

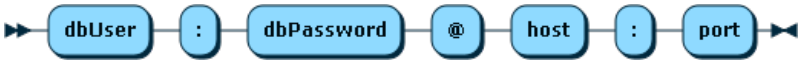
Option	Name	Optional	Default	Notes
TCP/IP Host	host	-		localhost, IPv4 host name, no IP-range
TCP/IP Port	port	Yes	33060	Standard X Plugin port is 33060
MySQL user	dbUser	-		MySQL database user
MySQL password	dbPassword	-		The MySQL user's password

Supported authentication methods are:

- PLAIN
- MYSQL 4.1

URI elements and format.

Figure 2.1 Connection URI



ConnectURI1::= 'dbUser' ':' 'dbPassword' '@' 'host' ':' 'port'

2.3 Working with a Session Object

All previous examples used the `getSchema()` or `getDefaultSchema()` methods of the Session object, which return a Schema object. You use this Schema object to access Collections and Tables. Most examples make use of the X DevAPI ability to chain all object constructions, enabling you to get to the Schema object in one line. For example:

```
schema = mysqlx.getSession(...).getSchema();
```

This object chain is equivalent to the following, with the difference that the intermediate step is omitted:

```
session = mysqlx.getSession();
schema = session.getSchema().
```

There is no requirement to always chain calls until you get a Schema object, neither is it always what you want. If you want to work with the Session object, for example, to call the Session object method `getSchemas()`, there is no need to navigate down to the Schema. For example:

```
session = mysqlx.getSession(); session.getSchemas().
```

In this example the `mysqlx.getSession()` function is used to open a Session. Then the `Session.getSchemas()` function is used to get a list of all available schemas and print them to the console.

```
# Connecting to MySQL and working with a Session
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

# Connect to a dedicated MySQL server using a connection URI
mySession = mysqlx.get_session('user:password@localhost')
```

```
# Get a list of all available schemas
schemaList = mySession.get_schemas()

print('Available schemas in this session:\n')

# Loop over all available schemas and print their name
for schema in schemaList:
        print('%s\n' % schema.name)

mySession.close()
```

2.4 Using SQL with Session

In addition to the simplified X DevAPI syntax of the Session object, the Session object has a `sql()` function that takes any SQL statement as a string.

The following example uses a Session to call an SQL Stored Procedure on the specific node.

```
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

# Connect to server using a Session
mySession = mysqlx.get_session('user:password@localhost')

# Switch to use schema 'test'
mySession.sql("USE test").execute()

# In a Session context the full SQL language can be used
sql = """CREATE PROCEDURE my_add_one_procedure
                                (INOUT incr_param INT)
                                BEGIN
                                        SET incr_param = incr_param + 1;
                                END
                        """

mySession.sql(sql).execute()
mySession.sql("SET @my_var = ?").bind(10).execute()
mySession.sql("CALL my_add_one_procedure(@my_var)").execute()
mySession.sql("DROP PROCEDURE my_add_one_procedure").execute()

# Use an SQL query to get the result
myResult = mySession.sql("SELECT @my_var").execute()

# Gets the row and prints the first column
row = myResult.fetch_one()
print(row[0])

mySession.close()
```

When using literal/verbatim SQL the common API patterns are mostly the same compared to using DML and CRUD operations on Tables and Collections. Two differences exist: setting the current schema and escaping names.

2.5 Setting the Current Schema

A default schema for a session can be specified using the `schema` attribute in the URI-like connection string or key-value pairs when opening a connection session. The `Session` class `getDefaultSchema()` method returns the default schema for the `Session`.

If no default schema has been selected at connection, the `Session` class `setCurrentSchema()` function can be used to set a current schema.

```
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

# Direct connect with no client-side default schema specified
mySession = mysqlx.get_session('user:password@localhost')
mySession.set_current_schema("test")
```

Notice that `setCurrentSchema()` does not change the session's default schema, which remains unchanged throughout the session, or remains `null` if not set at connection. The schema set by `setCurrentSchema()` can be returned by the `getCurrentSchema()` method.

An alternative way to set the current schema is to use the `Session` class sql() method and the `USE db_name` statement.

2.6 Dynamic SQL

A quoting function exists to escape SQL names and identifiers. `Session.quoteName()` escapes the identifier given in accordance to the settings of the current connection.

Note

The quoting function must not be used to escape values. Use the value binding syntax of `Session.sql()` instead; see Section 2.4, “Using SQL with Session” for some examples.

```
def createTestTable(session, name):

    # use escape function to quote names/identifier
    quoted_name = session.quote_name(name)
    session.sql("DROP TABLE IF EXISTS " + quoted_name).execute()
    create = "CREATE TABLE "
    create += quoted_name
    create += " (id INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT)"
    session.sql(create).execute()
    return session.get_current_schema().get_table(name)

from mysqlsh import mysqlx

session = mysqlx.get_session('user:password@localhost:33060/test')

default_schema = session.get_default_schema().name
session.set_current_schema(default_schema)

# Creates some tables
table1 = createTestTable(session, 'test1')
table2 = createTestTable(session, 'test2')
```

Code that uses X DevAPI does not need to escape identifiers. This is true for working with collections and for working with relational tables.

Chapter 3 CRUD Operations

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This section explains how to use the X DevAPI for Create Read, Update, and Delete (CRUD) operations.

MySQL's core domain has always been working with relational tables. X DevAPI extends this domain by adding support for CRUD operations that can be run against collections of documents. This section explains how to use these.

3.1 CRUD Operations Overview

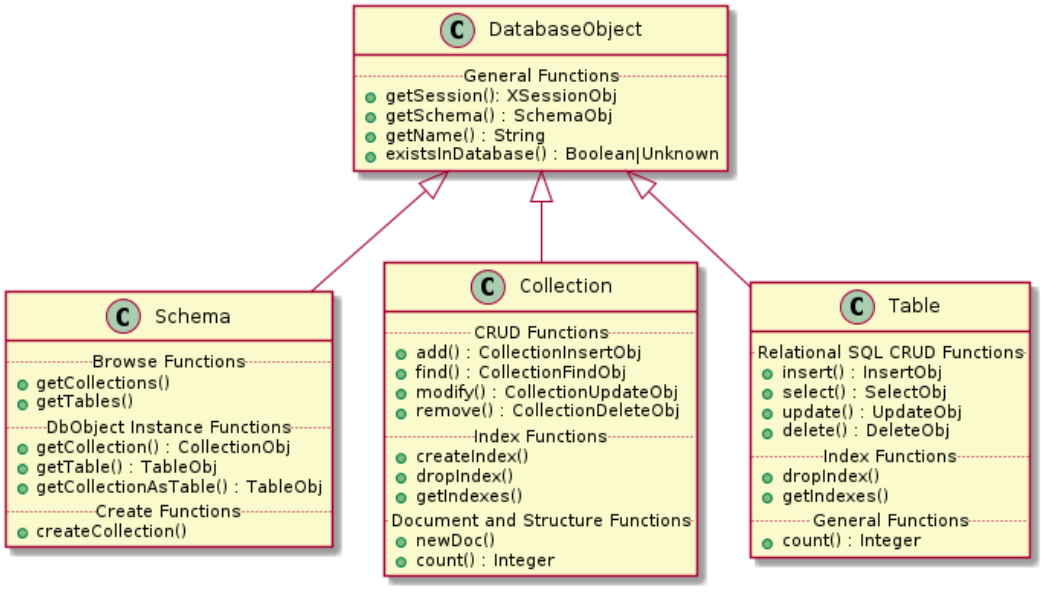
CRUD operations are available as methods, which operate on Schema objects. The available Schema objects consist of Collection objects containing Documents, or Table objects consisting of rows and Collections containing Documents.

The following table shows the available CRUD operations for both Collection and Table objects.

Operation	Document	Relational
Create	Collection.add()	Table.insert()
Read	Collection.find()	Table.select()
Update	Collection.modify()	Table.update()
Delete	Collection.remove()	Table.delete()

Database Object Classes

Figure 3.1 Database Object - Class Diagram



3.2 Method Chaining

X DevAPI supports a number of modern practices to make working with CRUD operations easier and to fit naturally into modern development environments. This section explains how to use method chaining instead of working with SQL strings of JSON structures.

The following example shows how method chaining is used instead of an SQL string when working with Session objects. The example assumes that the `test` schema exists and an `employee` table exists.

```
# New method chaining used for executing an SQL SELECT statement
# Recommended way for executing queries
employees = db.get_table('employee')

res = employees.select(['name', 'age']) \
        .where('name like :param') \
        .order_by(['name']) \
        .bind('param', 'm%').execute()

# Traditional SQL execution by passing an SQL string
# It should only be used when absolutely necessary
result = session.sql('SELECT name, age ' +
                'FROM employee ' +
                'WHERE name like ? ' +
                'ORDER BY name').bind('m%').execute()
```

3.3 Parameter Binding

Instead of using values directly in an expression string it is good practice to separate values from the expression string. This is done using parameters in the expression string and the `bind()` function to bind values to the parameters.

Parameters can be specified in the following ways: anonymous and named.

Parameter Type	Syntax	Example	Allowed in CRUD operations	Allowed in SQL strings
Anonymous	?	'age > ?'	no	yes
Named	:<name>	'age > :age'	yes	no

The following example shows how to use the `bind()` function before an `execute()` function. For each named parameter, provide an argument to `bind()` that contains the parameter name and its value. The order in which the parameter value pairs are passed to `bind()` is of no importance. The example assumes that the `test` schema has been assigned to the variable `db` and that the collection `my_collection` exists.

```
# Collection.find() function with hardcoded values
myColl = db.get_collection('my_collection')

myRes1 = myColl.find('age = 18').execute()

# Using the .bind() function to bind parameters
myRes2 = myColl.find('name = :param1 AND age = :param2').bind('param1','Rohit').bind('param2', 18).execute(

# Using named parameters
myColl.modify('name = :param').set('age', 55).bind('param', 'Nadya').execute()

# Binding works for all CRUD statements except add()
myRes3 = myColl.find('name like :param').bind('param', 'R%').execute()
```

Anonymous placeholders are not supported in X DevAPI. This restriction improves code clarity in CRUD command chains with multiple methods using placeholders. Regardless of the `bind()` syntax variant used there is always a clear association between parameters and placeholders based on the parameter name.

All methods of a CRUD command chain form one namespace for placeholders. In the following example, `modify()` and `set()` are chained. Both methods take an expression with placeholders. The placeholders refer to one combined namespace. Both use one placeholder called `:param`. A single call to `bind()` with one name value parameter for `:param` is used to assign a placeholder value to both occurrences of `:param` in the chained methods.

```
# one bind() per parameter
myColl = db.get_collection('relatives')
juniors = myColl.find('alias = "jr"').execute().fetch_all()

for junior in juniors:
  myColl.modify('name = :param'). \
    set('parent_name',mysqlx.expr(':param')). \
    bind('param', junior.name).execute()
```

It is not permitted for a named parameter to use a name that starts with a digit. For example, `:1one` and `:1` are not allowed.

Preparing CRUD Statements

Instead of directly binding and executing CRUD operations with `bind()` and `execute()` or `execute()` it is also possible to store the CRUD operation object in a variable for later execution.

The advantage of doing so is to be able to bind several sets of variables to the parameters defined in the expression strings and therefore get better performance when executing a large number of similar operations. The example assumes that the `test` schema has been assigned to the variable `db` and that the collection `my_collection` exists.

```
myColl = db.get_collection('my_collection')

# Only prepare a Collection.remove() operation, but do not run it yet
myRemove = myColl.remove('name = :param1 AND age = :param2')

# Binding parameters to the prepared function and .execute()
myRemove.bind('param1', 'Leon').bind('param2', 39).execute()
myRemove.bind('param1', 'Johannes').bind('param2', 28).execute()

# Binding works for all CRUD statements but add()
myFind = myColl.find('name like :param1 AND age > :param2')

myDocs = myFind.bind('param1', 'L%').bind('param2', 20).execute()
MyOtherDocs = myFind.bind('param1', 'J%').bind('param2', 25).execute()
```

3.4 MySQL Shell Automatic Code Execution

When you use X DevAPI in a programming language that fully specifies the syntax to be used, for example, when executing SQL statements through an X DevAPI session or working with any of the CRUD operations, the actual operation is performed only when the `execute()` function is called. For example:

```
var result = mySession.sql('show databases').execute()
var result2 = myColl.find().execute()
```

The call of the `execute()` function above causes the operation to be executed and returns a Result object. The returned Result object is then assigned to a variable, and the assignment is the last operation executed, which returns no data. Such operations can also return a Result object, which is used to process the information returned from the operation.

Alternatively, MySQL Shell provides the following usability features that make it easier to work with X DevAPI interactively:

- Automatic execution of CRUD and SQL operations.
- Automatic processing of results.

To achieve this functionality MySQL Shell monitors the result of the last operation executed every time you enter a statement. The combination of these features makes using the MySQL Shell interactive mode ideal for prototyping code, as operations are executed immediately and their results are displayed without requiring any additional coding. For more information see MySQL Shell 8.0.

Automatic Code Execution

If MySQL Shell detects that a CRUD operation ready to execute has been returned, it automatically calls the `execute()` function. Repeating the example above in MySQL Shell and removing the assignment operation shows the operation is automatically executed.

```
mysql-js> mySession.sql('show databases')
mysql-js> myColl.find()
```

MySQL Shell executes the SQL operation, and as mentioned above, once this operation is executed a Result object is returned.

Automatic Result Processing

If MySQL Shell detects that a Result object is going to be returned, it automatically processes it, printing the result data in the best format possible. There are different types of Result objects and the format changes across them.

```
mysql-js> db.countryInfo.find().limit(1)
[
    {
        "GNP": 828,
        "IndepYear": null,
        "Name": "Aruba",
        "_id": "ABW",
        "demographics": {
            "LifeExpectancy": 78.4000015258789,
            "Population": 103000
        },
        "geography": {
            "Continent": "North America",
            "Region": "Caribbean",
            "SurfaceArea": 193
        },
        "government": {
            "GovernmentForm": "Nonmetropolitan Territory of The Netherlands",
            "HeadOfState": "Beatrix"
        }
    }
]
1 document in set (0.00 sec)
```

Chapter 4 Working with Collections

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The following section explains how to work with Collections, how to use CRUD operations on Collections and return Documents.

4.1 Basic CRUD Operations on Collections

Working with collections of documents is straightforward when using X DevAPI. The following example shows the basic usage of CRUD operations (see Section 4.3, “Collection CRUD Function Overview” for more details) when working with documents: After establishing a connection to a MySQL Server instance, a new collection that can hold JSON documents is created and several documents are inserted. Then, a find operation is executed to search for a specific document from the collection. Finally, the collection is dropped again from the database. The example assumes that the `test` schema exists and that the collection `my_collection` does not exist.

```
# Connecting to MySQL Server and working with a Collection
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

# Connect to server
mySession = mysqlx.get_session( {
'host': 'localhost', 'port': 33060,
'user': 'user', 'password': 'password'} )

myDb = mySession.get_schema('test')

# Create a new collection 'my_collection'
myColl = myDb.create_collection('my_collection')

# Insert documents
myColl.add({'name': 'Laurie', 'age': 19}).execute()
myColl.add({'name': 'Nadya', 'age': 54}).execute()
myColl.add({'name': 'Lukas', 'age': 32}).execute()

# Find a document
docs = myColl.find('name like :param1 AND age < :param2') \
          .limit(1) \
          .bind('param1','L%') \
          .bind('param2',20) \
          .execute()

# Print document
doc = docs.fetch_one()
print(doc)

# Drop the collection
myDb.drop_collection('my_collection')
```

4.2 Collection Objects

Documents of the same type (for example users, products) are grouped together and stored in the database as collections. X DevAPI uses Collection objects to store and retrieve documents.

4.2.1 Creating a Collection

In order to create a new collection call the `createCollection()` function from a Schema object. It returns a Collection object that can be used right away to, for example, insert documents into the database.

```
# Create a new collection called 'my_collection'
myColl = db.create_collection('my_collection')
```

4.2.2 Working with Existing Collections

In order to retrieve a Collection object for an existing collection stored in the database call the `getCollection()` function from a Schema object.

```
# Get a collection object for 'my_collection'
myColl = db.get_collection('my_collection')
```

The `createCollection()`, together with the `ReuseExistingObject` field set to true, can be used to create a new collection or reuse an existing collection with the given name. See Section 4.2.1, “Creating a Collection” for details.

Note

In most cases it is good practice to create database objects during development time and refrain from creating them on the fly during the production phase of a database project. Therefore it is best to separate the code that creates the collections in the database from the actual user application code.

4.3 Collection CRUD Function Overview

The following section explains the individual functions of the Collection object.

The most common operations to be performed on a Collection are the Create Read Update Delete (CRUD) operations. In order to speed up find operations it is recommended to make proper use of indexes.

Collection.add()

The `Collection.add()` function is used to store documents in the database. It takes a single document or a list of documents and is executed by the `execute()` function.

The collection needs to be created with the `Schema.createCollection()` function before documents can be inserted. To insert documents into an existing collection use the `Schema.getCollection()` function.

The following example shows how to use the `Collection.add()` function. The example assumes that the test schema exists and that the collection `my_collection` does not exist.

```
# Create a new collection
myColl = db.create_collection('my_collection')

# Insert a document
myColl.add( {'name': 'Laurie', 'age': 19 } ).execute()

# Insert several documents at once
myColl.add( [
{'name': 'Nadya', 'age': 54 },
{'name': 'Lukas', 'age': 32 } ] ).execute()
```

For more information, see CollectionAddFunction.

Collection.find()

The `find()` function is used to search for documents in the collection, the equivalent of retrieving records from a database. It takes a SearchConditionStr as a parameter to specify the documents that should be returned from the database. How you form a `SearchConditionStr` and the required expression depends on the structure of the JSON documents being searched. To search a collection based on nested elements in the documents you need the JSON path to the element you want to search for. See JSON Path Syntax for information about how to identify a specific element in a JSON document. For example, suppose a collection contains documents about countries such as:

```
 {
    GNP: .6,
    IndepYear: 1967,
    Name: "Sealand",
    Code: "SEA",
    demographics: {
        LifeExpectancy: 79,
        Population: 27
    },
    geography: {
        Continent: "Europe",
        Region: "British Islands",
        SurfaceArea: 193
    },
    government: {
        GovernmentForm: "Monarchy",
        HeadOfState: "Michael Bates"
    }
  }
)
```

To find countries that have the `Continent` value set to `Europe`, the path leg to the element is `geography`. That leg can contain multiple elements, which is notated using the `[*]` syntax. To separate the leg to the `Continent` element, use a period `(.)` character. Therefore the find could consist of a documentPathLastItem expression in the form of:

```
'Europe' in $.geography[*].Continent
```

For paths used in MySQL JSON functions, the scope is always the document being searched or otherwise operated on, represented by a leading $ character. Thus, the leading `$.` should be optional. Depending on the language you are using, the full find function could be:

```
collection.find(':name in geography[*].Continent')
  .bind('name', 'Europe')
  .execute()
```

Several methods such as `fields()`, `sort()`, `skip()` and `limit()` can be chained to the `find()` function to further refine the result. For more information, see Section 3.2, “Method Chaining”.

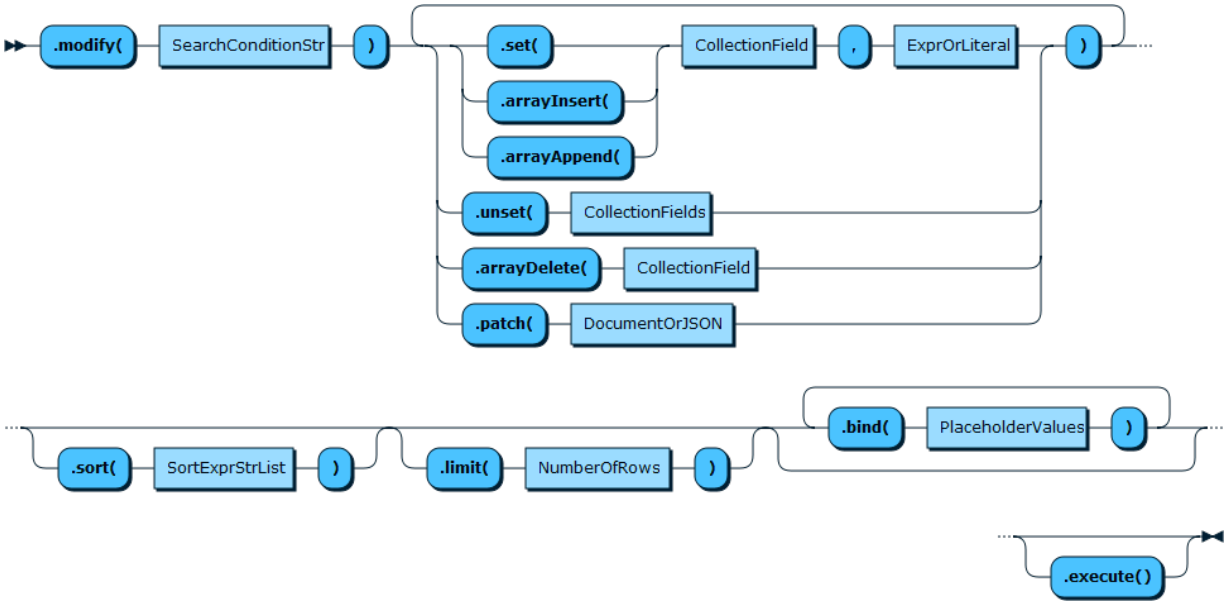
The `fetch()` function actually triggers the execution of the operation. The example assumes that the test schema exists and that the collection `my_collection` exists.

```
# Use the collection 'my_collection'
myColl = db.get_collection('my_collection')

# Find a single document that has a field 'name' that starts with 'L'
docs = myColl.find('name like :param').limit(1).bind('param', 'L%').execute()

print(docs.fetch_one())

# Get all documents with a field 'name' that starts with 'L'
docs = myColl.find('name like :param').bind('param','L%').execute()

myDoc = docs.fetch_one()
while myDoc:
  print(myDoc)
  myDoc = docs.fetch_one()
```

For more information, see CollectionFindFunction.

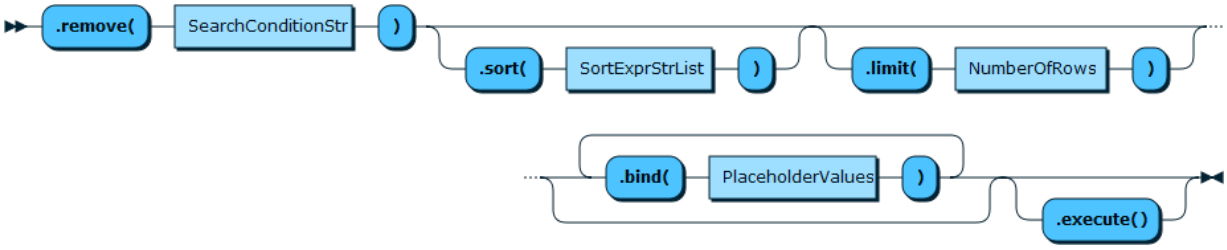
Collection.modify()

Figure 4.1 Collection.modify() Syntax Diagram



Collection.remove()

Figure 4.2 Collection.remove() Syntax Diagram



4.4 Indexing Collections

To make large collections of documents more efficient to navigate you can create an index based on one or more fields found in the documents in the collection. This section describes how to index a collection.

Creating an Index

Collection indexes are ordinary MySQL indexes on virtual columns that extract data from the documents in the collection. Because MySQL cannot index JSON values directly, to enable indexing of a collection, you provide a JSON document that specifies the document's fields to be used by the index. You pass the JSON document defining the index as the `IndexDefinition` parameter to the `Collection.createIndex(name, IndexDefinition)` method. This generic example (actual syntax might vary for different programming languages) shows how to create a mandatory integer type index based on the field `count`:

```
myCollection.createIndex("count", {fields:[{"field": "$.count", "type":"INT", required:true}]});
```

This example shows how to create an index based on a text field: a zip code in this case. For a text field, you must specify a prefix length for the index, as required by MySQL Server:

```
myCollection.createIndex("zip", {fields: [{field: "$.zip", type: "TEXT(10)"}]})
```

See Defining an Index for information on the format of `IndexDefinition` and on the supported field types for indexing.

The `Collection.createIndex()` method fails with an error if an index with the same name already exists or if the index definition is not correctly formed. The name parameter is required and must be a valid index name as accepted by the SQL statement `CREATE INDEX`.

To remove an existing index use the `collection.dropIndex(string name)` method. This would delete the index with the passed name, and the operation silently succeeds if the named index does not exist.

The indexes of a collection are stored as virtual columns. To verify a created index use the `SHOW INDEX` statement. For example to use this SQL from MySQL Shell:

```
session.runSql('SHOW INDEX FROM mySchema.myCollection');
```

Defining an Index

To create an index based on the documents in a collection you need to create an `IndexDefinition` JSON document. This section explains the valid fields you can use in such a JSON document to define an index.

To define a document field to index a collection on, the type of that field must be uniform across the whole collection. In other words, the type must be consistent. The JSON document used for defining an index, such as `{fields: [{field: '$.username', type: 'TEXT'}]}`, can contain the following:

- `fields`: an array of at least one `IndexField` object, each of which describes a JSON document field to be included in the index.

  A single `IndexField` description consists of the following fields:

  - `field`: a string with the full document path to the document member or field to be indexed
  - `type`: a string for one of the supported column types to map the field to (see Field Data Types). For numeric types, the optional `UNSIGNED` keyword can follow. For the `TEXT` type you must define the length to consider for indexing (the prefix length).
  - `required`: an optional boolean that should be set to `true` if the field is required to exist in the document. Defaults to `false` for all types except `GEOJSON`, which defaults to `true`.
  - `options`: an optional integer that is used as a special option flag when decoding `GEOJSON` data (see the description for `ST_GeomFromGeoJSON()` for details).
  - `srid`: an optional integer to be used as the srid value when decoding `GEOJSON` data (see the description for `ST_GeomFromGeoJSON()` for details).
  - `array`: (for MySQL 8.0.17 and later) an optional boolean that is set to `true` if the field contains arrays. The default value is `false`. See Indexing Array Fields for details.

    Important

    For MySQL 8.0.16 and earlier, fields that are JSON arrays are not supported in the index; specifying a field that contains array data does not generate an error from the server, but the index does not function correctly.

- `type`: an optional string that defines the type of index. Value is one of `INDEX` or `SPATIAL`. The default is `INDEX` and can be omitted.

Including any other fields in an `IndexDefinition` or `IndexField` JSON document which is not described above causes `collection.createIndex()` to fail with an error.

If index type is not specified or is set to `INDEX` then the resulting index is created in the same way as it would be created by issuing `CREATE INDEX`. If index type is set to `SPATIAL` then the created index is the same as it would be created by issuing `CREATE INDEX` with the `SPATIAL` keyword, see SPATIAL Index Optimization and Creating Spatial Indexes. For example:

```
myCollection.createIndex('myIndex', //
{fields: [{field: '$.myGeoJsonField', type: 'GEOJSON', required: true}], type:'SPATIAL'})
```

Important

When using the `SPATIAL` type of index the `required` field cannot be set to `false` in `IndexField` entries.

This is an example to create an index based on multiple fields:

```
myCollection.createIndex('myIndex', {fields: [{field: '$.myField', type: 'TEXT'}, //
{field: '$.myField2', type: 'TEXT(10)'}, {field: '$.myField3', type: 'INT'}]})
```

The values of indexed fields are converted from JSON to the type specified in the `IndexField` description using standard MySQL type conversions (see Type Conversion in Expression Evaluation), except for the `GEOJSON` type, which uses the `ST_GeomFromGeoJSON()` function for conversion. That means when using a numeric type in an `IndexField` description, an actual field value that is non-numeric is converted to 0.

The `options` and `srid` fields in `IndexField` can only be present if `type` is set to `GEOJSON`. If present, they are used as parameters for `ST_GeomFromGeoJSON()` when converting `GEOJSON` data into MySQL native `GEOMETRY` values.

Field Data Types

The following data types are supported for document fields. Type names are case-insensitive when used in the `type` field.

- `INT` [UNSIGNED]
- `TINYINT` [UNSIGNED]
- `SMALLINT` [UNSIGNED]
- `MEDIUMINT` [UNSIGNED]
- `INTEGER` [UNSIGNED]
- `BIGINT` [UNSIGNED]
- `REAL` [UNSIGNED]
- `FLOAT` [UNSIGNED]
- `DOUBLE` [UNSIGNED]
- `DECIMAL` [UNSIGNED]
- `NUMERIC` [UNSIGNED]
- `DATE`
- `TIME`
- `TIMESTAMP`
- `DATETIME`
- `TEXT(length)`
- `GEOJSON` (extra options: options, srid)

Indexing Array Fields

For MySQL 8.0.17 and later, X DevAPI supports creating indexes based on array fields by setting the boolean `array` field in the `IndexField` description to `true`. For example, to create an index on the `emails` array field:

```
collection.createIndex("emails_idx", //
    {fields: [{"field": "$.emails", "type":"CHAR(128)", "array": true}]});
```

The following restrictions apply to creating indexes based on arrays:

- For each index, only one indexed field can be an `array`
- Data types for which index on arrays can be created:
  - Numeric types: `INTEGER [UNSIGNED]` (`INT` is NOT supported)
  - Fixed-point types: `DECIMAL(m, n)` (the precision and scale values are mandatory)
  - Date and time types: `DATE`, `TIME`, and `DATETIME`
  - String types: `CHAR(n)` and `BINARY(n)`; the character or byte length `n` is mandatory (`TEXT` is NOT supported)

4.5 Single Document Operations

The CRUD commands described at Section 4.3, “Collection CRUD Function Overview” all act on a group of documents in a collection that match a filter. X DevAPI also provides the following operations, which work on single documents that are identified by their document IDs:

- `Collection.getOne(string id)` returns the document with the given `id`. This is a shortcut for `Collection.find("_id = :id").bind("id", id).execute().fetchOne()`.
- `Collection.replaceOne(string id, Document doc)` updates or replaces the document identified by `id`, if it exists, with the provided document.
- `Collection.addOrReplaceOne(string id, Document doc)` adds the given document; however, if the `id` or any other field that has a unique index on it already exists in the collection, the operation updates the matching document instead.
- `Collection.removeOne(string id)` removes the document with the given `id`. This is a shortcut for `Collection.remove("_id = :id").bind("id", id).execute()`.

Using these operations you can reference a document by its ID (see Section 5.2, “Working with Document IDs”), making operations on single documents simpler by following a "load, modify, and save" pattern such as the following:

```
doc = collection.getOne(id); // Load document of the specified id into a temporary document called doc
doc["address"] = "123 Long Street"; //Modify the "address" field of doc
collection.replaceOne(id, doc); // Save doc into the document with the specified id
```

Syntax of Single Document Operations

The syntax of the single document operations is as follows:

- `Document getOne(string id)`, where `id` is the document ID of the document to be retrieved. This operation returns the document, or `NULL` if no match is found. Searches for the document that has the given *`id`* and returns it.
- `Result replaceOne(string id, Document doc)`, where *`id`* is the document ID of the document to be replaced and *`doc`* is the new document, which can contain expressions. If *`doc`* contains an `_id` value, it is ignored. The operation returns a `Result` object, which indicates the number of affected documents (1 or 0, if none). Takes in a document object which replaces the

matching document. If no matches are found, the function returns normally with no changes being made.

- `Result addOrReplaceOne(string id, Document doc)`, where `id` is the document ID of the document to be replaced and *`doc`* is the new document, which can contain expressions. If *`doc`* contains an `_id` value, it is ignored. This operation returns a `Result` object, which indicates the number of affected documents (1 or 0, if none). Adds the document to the collection.

  If *`doc`* has a value for `_id` and it does not match the given *`id`* then an error is generated. If the collection has a document with the given document ID then the collection is checked for any document that conflicts with unique keys from *`doc`* and where the document ID of conflicting documents is not *`id`* then an error is generated. Otherwise the existing document in the collection is replaced by *`doc`*. If the collection has any document that conflicts with unique keys from *`doc`* then an error is generated. Otherwise *`doc`* is added to collection.

- `Result removeOne(string id)`, where *`id`* is the document ID of the document to be removed. This operation returns a `Result` object, which indicates the number of removed documents (1 or 0, if none).

Important

These operations accept an explicit `id` to ensure that any changes being made by the operation are applied to the intended document. In many scenarios the document *`doc`* could come from an untrusted user, who could potentially change the `id` in the document and thus replace other documents than the application expects. To mitigate this risk, you should transfer the explicit document `id` through a secure channel.

4.6 JSON Schema Validation

Staring from version 8.0.21, collections can be configured to verify documents against a JSON schema. This enables you to require that documents have a certain structure before they can be inserted or updated in a collection. You specify a JSON schema as described at http://json-schema.org. Schema validation is performed by the server starting from version 8.0.19, which returns an error message if a document in a collection does not validate against the assigned JSON schema. For more information on JSON schema validation in MySQL, see JSON Schema Validation Functions. This section describes how to configure a collection to validate documents against a JSON schema.

To enable or modify JSON schema validation, you supply to a collection a `validation` JSON object like the following:

```
{
    validation: {
      level: "off|strict",
      schema: "json-schema"
    }
}
```

Here, `validation` is a JSON object that contains the keys you can use to configure JSON schema validation. The first key is `level`, which can take the value `strict` or `off`. The second key, `schema`, is a JSON schema, as defined at http://json-schema.org. If the `level` key is set to `strict`, documents are validated against the *`json-schema`* when they are added to the collection or, if they are already in the collection, when they are updated by some operations. If a document does not validate, the server generates an error and the operation fails. If the `level` key is set to `off`, documents are not validated against the *`json-schema`*.

Creating a Validated Collection

To enable JSON schema validation when you create a new collection, supply a `validation` JSON object as described above. For example, to create a collection that holds longitude and latitude values and require validating those values as numbers:

```
coll = schema.create_collection("longlang", validation={
    "level": "strict",
    "schema":   {
        "id": "http://json-schema.org/geo",
        "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-06/schema#",
        "description": "A geographical coordinate",
        "type": "object",
        "properties": {
            "latitude": {
                "type": "number"
            },
            "longitude": {
                "type": "number"
            }
        },
        "required": ["latitude", "longitude"]
    }
})
```

Modifying Collection Validation

You can modify a collection to control the JSON schema validation of documents. For example you can enable or disable validation, or change the JSON schema that documents are validated against.

In order to modify the JSON schema validation of a collection, supply a `validation` JSON object when calling the Collection.modify() method. For example, to modify a collection to disable JSON schema validation, the `validation` object would be:

```
{
   validation: {
       "level": "off"
   }
}
```

When modifying the JSON schema validation, you can supply the `level` option alone to change just the level of schema validation. For example, pass the JSON object shown above to disable JSON schema validation. This makes no change to the JSON schema previously specified and does not remove the JSON schema from the collection. Alternatively, you can modify the schema only by passing just a new JSON schema object.

Chapter 5 Working with Documents

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5.1 Creating Documents

Once a collection has been created, it can store JSON documents. You store documents by passing a JSON data structure to the `Collection.add()` function. Some languages have direct support for JSON data, others have an equivalent syntax to represent that data. MySQL Connectors that implement X DevAPI aim to implement support for all JSON methods that are native to the Connectors' specific languages.

In addition, in some MySQL Connectors the generic `DbDoc` objects can be used. The most convenient way to create them is by calling the `Collection.newDoc()`. `DbDoc` is a data type to represent JSON documents and how it is implemented is not defined by X DevAPI. Languages implementing X DevAPI are free to follow an object-oriented approach with getter and setter methods, or use a C struct style with public members.

For strictly-typed languages it is possible to create class files based on the document structure definition of collections. MySQL Shell can be used to create those files.

Table 5.1 Different Types of Document Objects, Their Supported Languages, and Their Advantages

Document Objects	Supported languages	Advantages
Native JSON	Scripting languages (JavaScript, Python)	Easy to use
JSON equivalent syntax	C# (Anonymous Types, ExpandoObject)	Easy to use
DbDoc	All languages	Unified across languages
Generated Doc Classes	Strictly typed languages (C#)	Natural to use

The following example shows the different methods of inserting documents into a collection.

```
// Create a new collection 'my_collection'
var myColl = db.createCollection('my_collection');

// Insert JSON data directly
myColl.add({_id: '8901', name: 'Mats', age: 21}).execute();

// Inserting several docs at once
myColl.add([ {_id: '8902', name: 'Lotte', age: 24},
  {_id: '8903', name: 'Vera', age: 39} ]).execute();
```

5.2 Working with Document IDs

This section describes what a document ID is and how to work with it.

Every document has a unique identifier called the document ID, which can be thought of as the equivalent of a table's primary key. The document ID value is usually automatically generated by the server when the document is added, but can also be manually assigned. The assigned document ID is returned in the `generatedIds` property of the `Result` (`AddResult` for Connector/J) object for the

`collection.add()` operation and can be accessed using the `getGeneratedIds()` method. See Section 5.3, “Understanding Document IDs” for more background information on document IDs.

The following example in JavaScript code shows adding a document to a collection, retrieving the added document's IDs and testing that duplicate IDs cannot be added.

```
mysql-js > var result = mycollection.add({test:'demo01'}).execute()
mysql-js > print(result.generatedIds)
[
    "00006075f6810000000000000006"
]
mysql-js > var result = mycollection.add({test:'demo02'}).add({test:'demo03'}).execute()
mysql-js > print(result.generatedIds)
[
    "00006075f6810000000000000007",
    "00006075f6810000000000000008"
]

mysql-js > mycollection.find()
{
    "_id": "00006075f6810000000000000006",
    "test": "demo01"
}
{
    "_id": "00006075f6810000000000000007",
    "test": "demo02"
}
{
    "_id": "00006075f6810000000000000008",
    "test": "demo03"
}
3 documents in set (0.0102 sec)
mysql-js > var result = mycollection.add({_id:'00006075f6810000000000000008', test:'demo04'}).execute()
Document contains a field value that is not unique but required to be (MySQL Error 5116)
```

As shown in the example above, the document ID is stored in the `_id` field of a document. The document ID is a `VARBINARY()` with a maximum length of 32 characters. If an `_id` is provided when a document is created, it is honored; if no `_id` is provided, one is automatically assigned to the document.

The following example illustrates how the `_id` value can either be provided or autogenerated. It is assumed that the `test` schema exists and is assigned to the variable `db`, that the collection `my_collection` exists and that `custom_id` is unique.

```
# If the _id is provided, it will be honored
result = myColl.add( { '_id': 'custom_id', 'a' : 1 } ).execute()
document = myColl.find('a = 1').execute().fetch_one()
print("User Provided Id: %s" % document._id)

# If the _id is not provided, one will be automatically assigned
result = myColl.add( { 'b': 2 } ).execute()
print("Autogenerated Id: %s" % result.get_generated_ids()[0])
```

Some documents have a natural unique key. For example, a collection that holds a list of books is likely to include the International Standard Book Number (ISBN) for each document that represents a book. The ISBN is a string with a length of 13 characters, which is well within the length limit of 32 characters for the `_id` field.

```
// using a book's unique ISBN as the object ID
myColl.add( {
_id: "978-1449374020",
title: "MySQL Cookbook: Solutions for Database Developers and Administrators"
}).execute();
```

Use `find()` to fetch the newly inserted book from the collection by its document ID.

```
var book = myColl.find('_id = "978-1449374020"').execute();
```

Currently, X DevAPI does not support using any document field other than the implicit `_id` as the document ID—there is no way to define another key to perform the same function.

5.3 Understanding Document IDs

This sections describes in detail how document IDs are generated and how to interpret them. X DevAPI relies on server-based document ID generation, added in MySQL version 8.0.11, which results in sequentially increasing document IDs across all clients. `InnoDB` uses the document ID as a primary key, resulting in efficient page splits and tree reorganizations.

This section describes the properties and format of the automatically generated document IDs.

Document ID Properties

The `_id` field of a document behaves in the same way as any other fields of the document during queries, except that its value cannot be changed once it has been inserted to the collection. The `_id` field is used as the primary key of the collection . It is possible to override the automatic generation of document IDs by manually including an ID in an inserted document.

Important

X Plugin is not aware of the data inserted into the collection, including any manual document IDs you use. When using manual document IDs, you must ensure that they do not clash with any IDs that might ever be generated automatically by the server (see Document ID Generation for details), in order to avoid any errors due to primary key duplication.

Whenever an `_id` field value is not present in an inserted document, the server generates an `_id` value. The generated `_id` value used for a document is returned to the client as part of the `Result` (`Result` for Connector/J) object of the `add()` operation. If you are using X DevAPI on an InnoDB Cluster, the automatically generated `_id` must be unique within the whole cluster. By setting the `mysqlx_document_id_unique_prefix` to a unique value per cluster instance, you can ensure document IDs are unique across all the instances.

The `_id` field must be sequential (always incrementing) for optimal InnoDB insertion performance (at least within a single server). The sequential nature of `_id` values is maintained across server restarts.

In a multi-primary Group Replication or InnoDB Cluster environment, the generated `_id` values of a table are unique across instances to avoid primary key conflicts and minimize transaction certification.

Document ID Generation

This section describes how document IDs are formatted.

The format of automatically generated document ID is:

unique_prefix	start_timestamp	serial
4 bytes	8 bytes	16 bytes

Where:

- `unique_prefix` is a value assigned by InnoDB Cluster to the instance, which is used to make the document ID unique across all instances from the same cluster. The range of `unique_prefix` is from 0 to 2^{16-1}, which is hex encoded. Default value is 0, if it is neither set by InnoDB Cluster nor by the `mysqlx_document_id_unique_prefix` system variable.
- `start_timestamp` is the time stamp of the startup time of the server instance, which is hex encoded. In the unlikely event that the value of `serial` overflows, the `start_timestamp` is incremented by 1 and the `serial` value then restarts at 0.

- `serial` is a per-instance automatically incremented integer serial number value, which is hex encoded and has a range of 0 to 2^{64-1}. The initial value of `serial` is set to the `auto_increment_offset` system variable, and the increment of the value is set by the `auto_increment_increment` system variable.

This document ID format ensures that:

- The primary key value monotonically increments for inserts originating from a single server instance, although the interval between values is not uniform within a table.
- When using multi-primary Group Replication or InnoDB Cluster, inserts to the same table from different instances do not have conflicting primary key values, as long as the instances have the `auto_increment_offset` and the `auto_increment_increment` system variables configured properly (see descriptions of the variables for details).

Chapter 6 Working with Relational Tables

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The X DevAPI SQL CRUD functions allow you to work with relational tables in manners similar to using traditional SQL statements. The following code sample shows how to use the `add()` and `select()` methods of the X DevAPI SQL CRUD functions, which are similar to running `INSERT` and `SELECT` statements on a table with a SQL client. Compare this with the examples found in Section 4.3, "Collection CRUD Function Overview" to see the differences and similarities between the CRUD functions for tables and collections in the X DevAPI.

```
# Working with Relational Tables
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

# Connect to server using a connection URL
mySession = mysqlx.get_session( {
  'host': 'localhost', 'port': 33060,
  'user': 'user', 'password': 'password'} )

myDb = mySession.get_schema('test')

# Accessing an existing table
myTable = myDb.get_table('my_table')

# Insert SQL Table data
myTable.insert(['name','birthday','age']) \
  .values('Laurie', mysqlx.date_value(2000, 5, 27), 19).execute()

# Find a row in the SQL Table
myResult = myTable.select(['_id', 'name', 'birthday']) \
  .where('name like :name AND age < :age') \
  .bind('name', 'L%') \
  .bind('age', 30).execute()

# Print result
print(myResult.fetch_all())
```

6.1 Syntax of the SQL CRUD Functions

The following SQL CRUD functions are available in X DevAPI.

Table.insert()

The `Table.insert()` method works like an `INSERT` statement in SQL. It is used to store data in a relational table in the database. It is executed by the `execute()` function.

The following example shows how to use the `Table.insert() function`. The example assumes that the `test` schema exists and is assigned to the variable `db`, and that an empty table called `my_table` exists.

```
# Accessing an existing table
myTable = db.get_table('my_table')

# Insert a row of data.
myTable.insert(['id', 'name']).values(1, 'Imani').values(2, 'Adam').execute()
```

Figure 6.1 Table.insert() Syntax Diagram

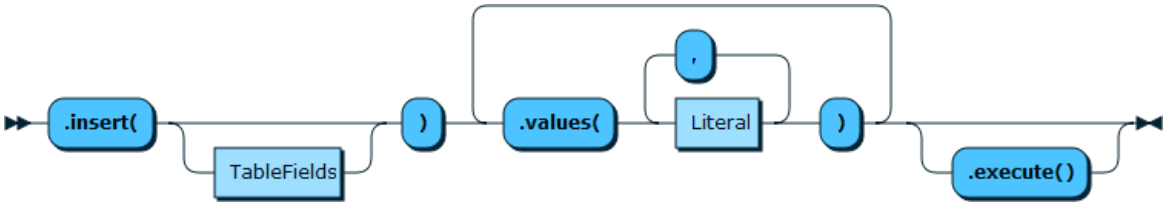


Table.select()

The `Table.select()` method works like a `SELECT` statement in SQL. Notice that `Table.select()` and `collection.find()` use different methods for sorting results: `Table.select()` uses the method `orderBy()`, reminiscent of the `ORDER BY` keyword in SQL, while the `sort()` method is used to sort the results returned by `Collection.find()`.

Figure 6.2 Table.select() Syntax Diagram

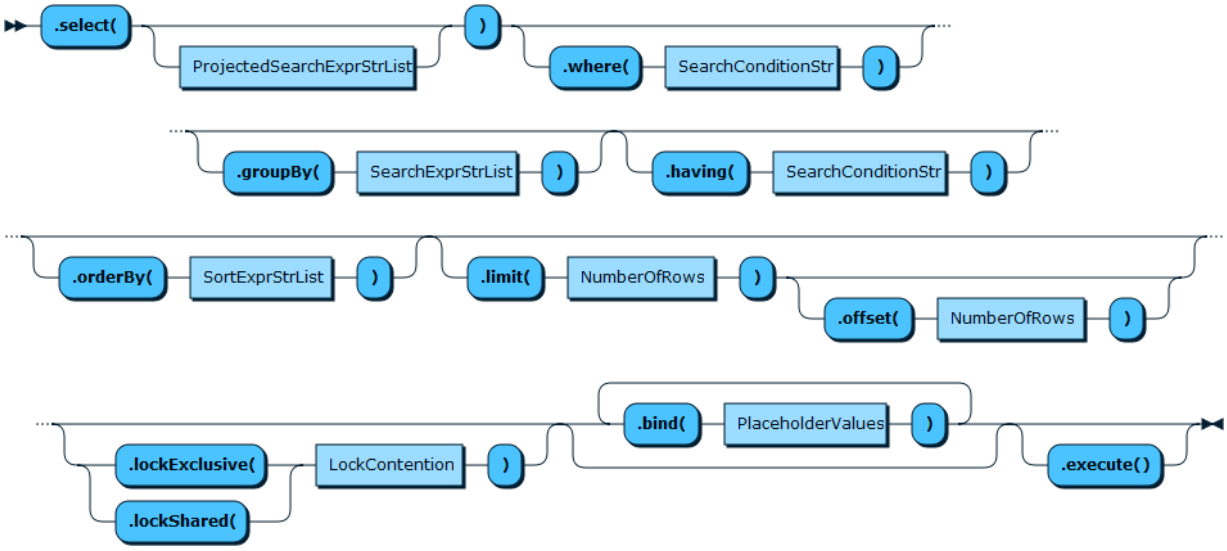


Table.update()

The `Table.update()` method works like an `UPDATE` statement in SQL.

Figure 6.3 Table.update() Syntax Diagram

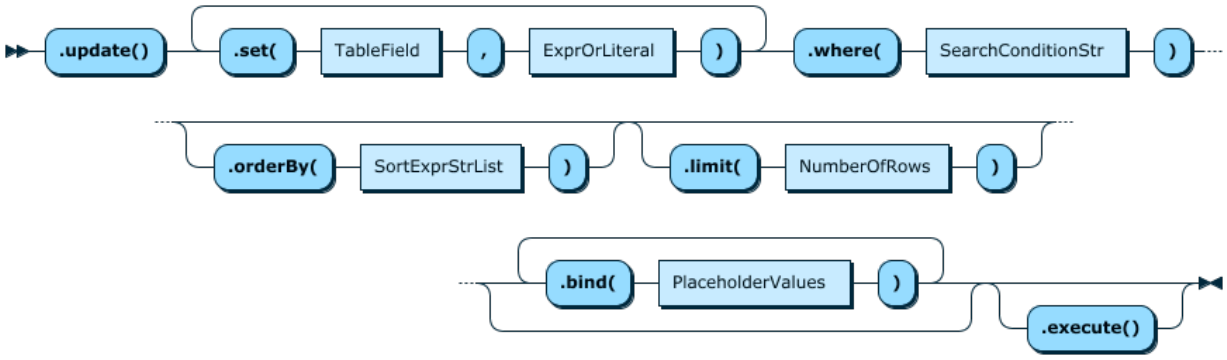
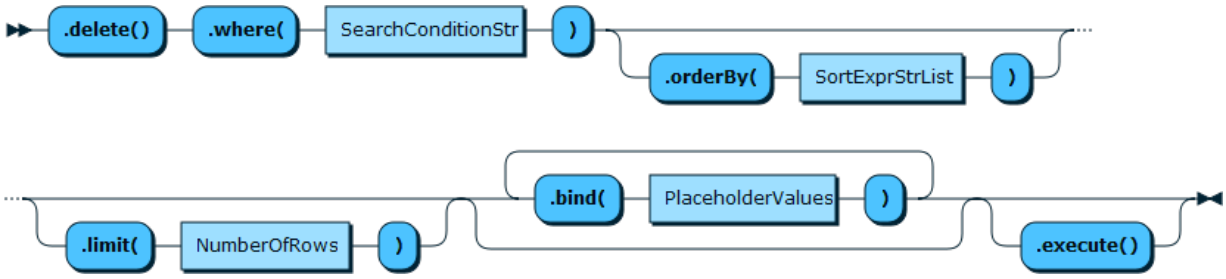


Table.delete()

The `Table.delete()` method works like a `DELETE` statement in SQL.

Figure 6.4 Table.delete() Syntax Diagram



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After seeing how to work with documents and how to work with relational tables, this section explains how to combine the two and work with both at the same time.

It can be beneficial to use documents for very specific tasks inside an application and rely on relational tables for other tasks. Or a very simple document only application can outgrow the document model and incrementally integrate or move to a more powerful relational database. This way the advantages of both documents and relational tables can be combined. SQL tables contribute strictly typed value semantics, predictable and optimized storage. Documents contribute type flexibility, schema flexibility and non-scalar types.

7.1 Collections as Relational Tables

Applications that seek to store standard SQL columns with Documents can cast a collection to a table. In this case a collection can be fetched as a Table object with the `Schema.getCollectionAsTable()` function. From that moment on it is treated as a regular table. Document values can be accessed in SQL CRUD operations using the following syntax:

```
doc->'$.field'
```

`doc->'$.field'` is used to access the document top level fields. More complex paths can be specified as well.

```
doc->'$.some.field.like[3].this'
```

Once a collection has been fetched as a table with the `Schema.getCollectionAsTable()` function, all SQL CRUD operations can be used. Using the syntax for document access, you can select data from the Documents of the Collection and the extra SQL columns.

The following example shows how to insert a JSON document string into the `doc` field.

```
# Get the customers collection as a table
customers = db.get_collection_as_table('customers')
customers.insert('doc').values('{"_id":"001", "name": "Ana", "last_name": "Silva"}').execute()

# Now do a find operation to retrieve the inserted document
result = customers.select(["doc->'$.name'", "doc->'$.last_name'"]).where("doc->'$._id' = '001'").execut

record = result.fetch_one()

print("Name : %s\n"  % record[0])
print("Last Name : %s\n"  % record[1])
```

Chapter 8 Statement Execution

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This section explains statement execution, with information on how to handle transactions and errors.

8.1 Transaction Handling

Transactions can be used to group operations into an atomic unit. Either all operations of a transaction succeed when they are committed, or none. It is possible to roll back a transaction as long as it has not been committed.

Transactions can be started in a session using the `startTransaction()` method, committed with `commitTransaction()` and cancelled or rolled back with `rollbackTransaction()`. This is illustrated in the following example. The example assumes that the `test` schema exists and that the collection `my_collection` does not exist.

```
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

# Connect to server
mySession = mysqlx.get_session( {
        'host': 'localhost', 'port': 33060,
        'user': 'user', 'password': 'password' } )

# Get the Schema test
myDb = mySession.get_schema('test')

# Create a new collection
myColl = myDb.create_collection('my_collection')

# Start a transaction
mySession.start_transaction()
try:
    myColl.add({'name': 'Rohit', 'age': 18, 'height': 1.76}).execute()
    myColl.add({'name': 'Misaki', 'age': 24, 'height': 1.65}).execute()
    myColl.add({'name': 'Leon', 'age': 39, 'height': 1.9}).execute()
    # Commit the transaction if everything went well
    mySession.commit()
    print('Data inserted successfully.')
except Exception as err:
    # Rollback the transaction in case of an error
    mySession.rollback()

    # Printing the error message
    print('Data could not be inserted: %s' % str(err))
```

8.1.1 Processing Warnings

Similar to the execution of single statements committing or rolling back a transaction can also trigger warnings. To be able to process these warnings the replied result object of `Session.commit();` or `Session.rollback();` needs to be checked.

This is shown in the following example. The example assumes that the test schema exists and that the collection `my_collection` does not exist.

```
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

# Connect to server
mySession = mysqlx.get_session( {
        'host': 'localhost', 'port': 33060,
        'user': 'user', 'password': 'password' } )

# Get the Schema test
myDb = mySession.get_schema('test')

# Create a new collection
myColl = myDb.create_collection('my_collection')

# Start a transaction
mySession.start_transaction()
try:
    myColl.add({'name': 'Rohit', 'age': 18, 'height': 1.76}).execute()
    myColl.add({'name': 'Misaki', 'age': 24, 'height': 1.65}).execute()
    myColl.add({'name': 'Leon', 'age': 39, 'height': 1.9}).execute()

    # Commit the transaction if everything went well
    reply = mySession.commit()

    # handle warnings
    if reply.warning_count:
      for warning in result.get_warnings():
        print('Type [%s] (Code %s): %s\n' % (warning.level, warning.code, warning.message))

    print('Data inserted successfully.')
except Exception as err:
    # Rollback the transaction in case of an error
    reply = mySession.rollback()

    # handle warnings
    if reply.warning_count:
      for warning in result.get_warnings():
        print('Type [%s] (Code %s): %s\n' % (warning.level, warning.code, warning.message))

    # Printing the error message
    print('Data could not be inserted: %s' % str(err))
```

By default all warnings are sent from the server to the client. If an operation is known to generate many warnings and the warnings are of no value to the application then sending the warnings can be suppressed. This helps to save bandwith. `session.setFetchWarnings()` controls whether warnings are discarded at the server or are sent to the client. `session.getFetchWarnings()` is used to learn the currently active setting.

```
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

def process_warnings(result):
  if result.get_warnings_count():
    for warning in result.get_warnings():
      print('Type [%s] (Code %s): %s\n' % (warning.level, warning.code, warning.message))
  else:
    print("No warnings were returned.\n")


# Connect to server
mySession = mysqlx.get_session( {
  'host': 'localhost', 'port': 33060,
  'user': 'user', 'password': 'password' } );

# Disables warning generation
mySession.set_fetch_warnings(False)
result = mySession.sql('drop schema if exists unexisting').execute()
process_warnings(result)

# Enables warning generation
mySession.set_fetch_warnings(True)
result = mySession.sql('drop schema if exists unexisting').execute()
```

```
process_warnings(result)
```

8.1.2 Error Handling

When writing scripts for MySQL Shell you can often simply rely on the exception handling done by MySQL Shell. For all other languages either proper exception handling is required to catch errors or the traditional error handling pattern needs to be used if the language does not support exceptions.

The default error handling can be changed by creating a custom `SessionContext` and passing it to the `mysqlx.getSession()` function. This enables switching from exceptions to result based error checking.

The following example shows how to perform proper error handling. The example assumes that the test schema exists and that the collection `my_collection` exists.

```
from mysqlsh import mysqlx

mySession

try:
        # Connect to server on localhost
        mySession = mysqlx.get_session( {
                'host': 'localhost', 'port': 33060,
                'user': 'user', 'password': 'password' } )

except Exception as err:
        print('The database session could not be opened: %s' % str(err))

try:
        myDb = mySession.get_schema('test')

        # Use the collection 'my_collection'
        myColl = myDb.get_collection('my_collection')

        # Find a document
        myDoc = myColl.find('name like :param').limit(1).bind('param','L%').execute()

        # Print document
        print(myDoc.first())
except Exception as err:
        print('The following error occurred: %s' % str(err))
finally:
        # Close the session in any case
        mySession.close()
```

8.2 Working with Savepoints

X DevAPI supports savepoints, which enable you to set a named point within a transaction that you can revert to. By setting savepoints within a transaction, you can later use the rollback functionality to undo any statements issued after setting the savepoint. Savepoints can be released if you no longer require them. This section documents how to work with savepoints in X DevAPI. See `SAVEPOINT` for background information.

Setting a Savepoint

Savepoints are identified by a string name. The string can contain any character allowed for an identifier. To create a savepoint, use the `session.setSavepoint()` operation, which maps to the SQL statement `SAVEPOINT name;`. If you do not specify a `name`, one is automatically generated. For example by issuing:

```
session.setSavepoint()
```

a transaction savepoint is created with an automatically generated name and a string is returned with the name of the savepoint. This name can be used with the `session.rollbackTo()` or

`session.releaseSavepoint()` operations. The `session.setSavepoint()` operation can be called multiple times within a session and each time a unique savepoint name is generated.

It is also possible to manually define the name of the savepoint by passing in a string *`name`*. For example issuing:

```
session.setSavepoint('name')
```

results in a transaction savepoint with the specified *`name`*, which is returned by the operation as a string. The `session.setSavepoint('name')` operation can be called multiple times in this way, and if the *`name`* has already been used for a savepoint then the previous savepoint is is deleted and a new one is set.

Rolling Back to a Savepoint

When a session has transaction savepoints, you can undo any subsequent transactions using the `session.rollbackTo()` operation, which maps to the `ROLLBACK TO name` statement. For example, issuing:

```
session.rollbackTo('name')
```

rolls back to the transaction savepoint *`name`*. This operation succeeds as long as the given savepoint has not been released. Rolling back to a savepoint which was created prior to other savepoints results in the subsequent savepoints being either released or rolled back. For example:

```
session.startTransaction()
(some data modifications occur...)

session.setSavepoint('point1')     <---- succeeds
(some data modifications occur...)

session.setSavepoint('point2')     <---- succeeds
(some data modifications occur...)

session.rollbackTo('point1')       <---- succeeds
session.rollbackTo('point1')       <---- still succeeds, but position stays the same
session.rollbackTo('point2')       <---- generates an error because lines above already cleared point2
session.rollbackTo('point1')       <---- still succeeds
```

Releasing a Savepoint

To cancel a savepoint, for example when it is no longer needed, use `releaseSavepoint()` and pass in the name of the savepoint you want to release. For example, issuing:

```
session.releaseSavepoint('name')
```

releases the savepoint *`name`*.

Savepoints and Implicit Transaction Behavior

The exact behavior of savepoints is defined by the server, and specifically how autocommit is configured. See autocommit, Commit, and Rollback.

For example, consider the following statements with no explicit `BEGIN`, `session.startTransaction()` or similar call:

```
session.setSavepoint('testsavepoint');
session.releaseSavepoint('testsavepoint');
```

If autocommit mode is enabled on the server, these statements result in an error because the savepoint named `testsavepoint` does not exist. This is because the call to `session.setSavepoint()` creates a transaction, then the savepoint and directly commits it. The result is that savepoint does not exist by the time the call to `releaseSavepoint()` is issued, which

is instead in its own transaction. In this case, for the savepoint to survive you need to start an explicit transaction block first.

8.3 Working with Locking

X DevAPI supports MySQL locking through the `lockShared()` and `lockExclusive()` methods for the Collection.find() and Table.select() methods. This enables you to control row locking to ensure safe, transactional document updates on collections and to avoid concurrency problems, for example when using the modify() method. This section describes how to use the `lockShared()` and `lockExclusive()` methods for both the Collection.find() and Table.select() methods. For more background information on locking, see Locking Reads.

The `lockShared()` and `lockExclusive()` methods have the following properties, whether they are used with a Collection or a Table.

- Multiple calls to the lock methods are permitted. If a locking statement executes while a different transaction holds the same lock, it blocks until the other transaction releases it. If multiple calls to the lock methods are made, the last called lock method takes precedence. In other words `find().lockShared().lockExclusive()` is equivalent to `find().lockExclusive()`.
- `lockShared()` has the same semantics as `SELECT ... LOCK IN SHARE MODE`. Sets a shared mode lock on any rows that are read. Other sessions can read the rows, but cannot modify them until your transaction commits. If any of these rows were changed by another transaction that has not yet committed, your query waits until that transaction ends and then uses the latest values.
- `lockExclusive()` has the same semantics as `SELECT ... FOR UPDATE`. For any index records the search encounters, it locks the rows and any associated index entries, in the same way as if you issued an `UPDATE` statement for those rows. Other transactions are blocked from updating those rows, from doing `SELECT ... LOCK IN SHARE MODE`, or from reading the data in certain transaction isolation levels. Consistent reads ignore any locks set on the records that exist in the read view. Old versions of a record cannot be locked; they are reconstructed by applying undo logs on an in-memory copy of the record.
- Locks are held for as long as the transaction which they were acquired in exists. They are immediately released after the statement finishes unless a transaction is open or autocommit mode is turned off.

Both locking methods support the `NOWAIT` and `SKIP LOCKED` `InnoDB` locking modes. For more information see Locking Read Concurrency with NOWAIT and SKIP LOCKED. To use these locking modes with the locking methods, pass in one of the following:

- `NOWAIT` - if the function encounters a row lock it aborts and generates an `ER_LOCK_NOWAIT` error
- `SKIP_LOCKED` - if the function encounters a row lock it skips the row and continues
- `DEFAULT` - if the function encounters a row lock it waits until there is no lock. The equivalent of calling the lock method without a mode.

Locking considerations

When working with locking modes note the following:

- `autocommit` mode means that there is always a transaction open, which is commited automatically when an SQL statement executes.
- By default sessions are in autocommit mode.
- You disable autocommit mode implicitly when you call `startTransaction()`.
- When in autocommit mode, if a lock is acquired, it is released after the statement finishes. This could lead you to conclude that the locks were not acquired, but that is not the case.

- Similarly, if you try to acquire a lock that is already owned by someone else, the statement blocks until the other lock is released.

8.4 Working with Prepared Statements

Implemented in MySQL 8.0.16 and later: X DevAPI improves performance for each CRUD statement that is executed repeatedly by using a server-side prepared statement for its second and subsequent executions. This happens internally—applications do not need to do anything extra to utilize the feature, as long as the same operation object is reused.

When a statement is executed for a second time with changes only in data values or in values that refine the execution results (for example, different `offset()` or `limit()` values), the server prepares the statement for subsequent executions, so that there is no need to reparse the statement when it is being run again. New values for re-executions of the prepared statement are provided with parameter binding. When the statement is modified by chaining to it a method that refines the result (for example, `sort()`, `skip()`, `limit()`, or `offset()`), the statement is reprepared. The following pseudocode and the comments on them demonstrate the feature:

```
var f = coll.find("field = :field");
f.bind("field", 1).execute(); // Normal execution
f.bind("field", 2).execute(); // Same statement executed with a different parameter value triggers statemer
f.bind("field", 3).execute(); // Prepared statement executed with a new value
f.bind("field", 3).limit(10).execute(); // Statement reprepared as it is modified with limit()
f.bind("field", 4).limit(20).execute(); // Reprepared statement executed with new parameters
```

Notice that to take advantage of the feature, the same operation object must be reused in the repetitions of the statement. Look at this example

```
for (i=0; i<100; ++i) {
    collection.find().execute();
}
```

This loop cannot take advantage of the prepared statement feature, because the operation object of `collection.find()` is recreated at each iteration of the `for` loop. Now, look at this example:

```
for (i=0; i<100; ++i) {
    var op = collection.find()
    op.execute();
}
```

The repeated statement is prepared once and then reused, because the same operation object of `collection.find()` is re-executed for each iteration of the `for` loop.

Prepared statements are part of a `Session`. When a `Client` resets the `Session` (by using, for example, `Mysqlx.Session.Reset`), the prepared statements are dropped.

Chapter 9 Working with Result Sets

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This section explains how to work with the results of processing.

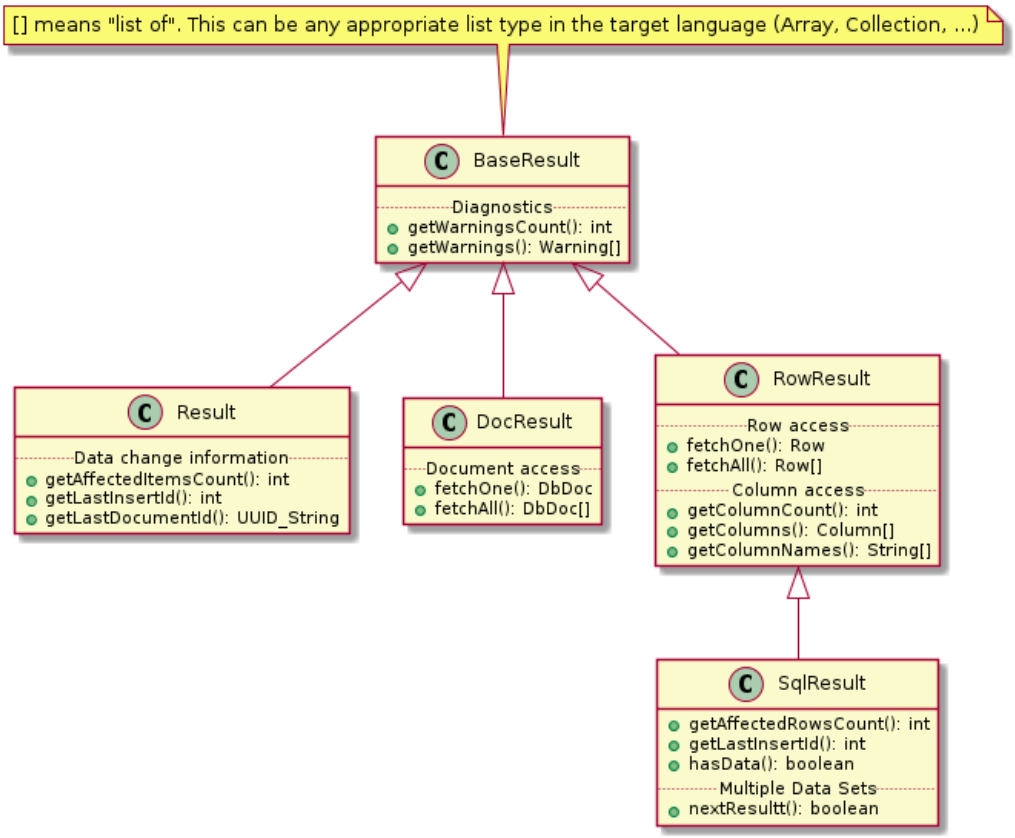
9.1 Result Set Classes

All database operations return a result. The type of result returned depends on the operation which was executed. The different types of results returned are outlined in the following table.

Result Class	Returned By	Provides
`Result`	`add().execute()`, `insert().execute()`, ...	`affectedRows`, `lastInsertId`, warnings
`SqlResult`	`session.sql()`	`affectedRows`, `lastInsertId`, warnings, fetched data sets
`DocResult`	`find().execute()`	fetched data set
`RowResult`	`select.execute()`	fetched data set

The following class diagram gives a basic overview of the result handling.

Figure 9.1 Results - Class Diagram



9.2 Working with AUTO-INCREMENT Values

AUTO_INCREMENT columns can be used in MySQL for generating primary key or id values, but are not limited to these uses. This section explains how to retrieve AUTO_INCREMENT values when adding rows using X DevAPI. For more background information, see Using AUTO_INCREMENT.

X DevAPI provides the getAutoIncrementValue() method to return the first AUTO_INCREMENT column value that was successfully inserted by the operation, taken from the return value of table.insert(). In the following example it is assumed that the table contains a column for which the AUTO_INCREMENT attribute is set:

```
res = myTable.insert(['name']).values('Mats').values('Otto').execute();
print(res.getAutoIncrementValue());
```

This table.insert() operation inserted multiple rows. getAutoIncrementValue() returns the AUTO_INCREMENT column value generated for the first inserted row only, so in this example, for the row containing “Mats”. The reason for this is to make it possible to reproduce easily the same operation against some other server.

9.3 Working with Data Sets

Operations that fetch data items return a data set as opposed to operations that modify data and return a result set. Data items can be read from the database using Collection.find(), Table.select() and Session.sql(). All three methods return data sets which encapsulate data items. Collection.find() returns a data set with documents and Table.select() respectively Session.sql() return a data set with rows.

All data sets implement a unified way of iterating their data items. The unified syntax supports fetching items one by one using fetchOne() or retrieving a list of all items using fetchAll(). fetchOne()

and `fetchAll()` follow forward-only iteration semantics. Connectors implementing the X DevAPI can offer more advanced iteration patterns on top to match common native language patterns.

The following example shows how to access the documents returned by a `Collection.find()` operation by using `fetchOne()` to loop over all documents.

The first call to `fetchOne()` returns the first document found. All subsequent calls increment the internal data item iterator cursor by one position and return the item found making the second call to `fetchOne()` return the second document found, if any. When the last data item has been read and `fetchOne()` is called again a NULL value is returned. This ensures that the basic while loop shown works with all languages which implement the X DevAPI if the language supports such an implementation.

When using `fetchOne()` it is not possible to reset the internal data item cursor to the first data item to start reading the data items again. An data item - here a Document - that has been fetched once using `fetchOne()` can be discarded by the Connector. The data item's life time is decoupled from the data set. From a Connector perspective items are consumed by the caller as they are fetched. This example assumes that the test schema exists.

```
myColl = db.get_collection('my_collection')

res = myColl.find('name like :name').bind('name','L%').execute()

doc = res.fetch_one()
while doc:
        print(doc)
        doc = res.fetch_one()
```

The following example shows how to directly access the rows returned by a `Table.select()` operation. The basic code pattern for result iteration is the same. The difference between the following and the previous example is in the data item handling. Here, `fetchOne()` returns Rows. The exact syntax to access the column values of a Row is language dependent. Implementations seek to provide a language native access pattern. The example assumes that the `test` schema exists and that the employee table exists in `myTable`.

```
myRows = myTable.select(['name', 'age']).where('name like :name').bind('name','L%').execute()

row = myRows.fetch_one()
while row:
        # Accessing the fields by array
        print('Name: %s\n' % row[0])
        # Accessing the fields by dynamic attribute
        print('Age: %s\n' % row.age)
        row = myRows.fetch_one()
```

9.4 Fetching All Data Items at Once

In addition to the pattern of using `fetchOne()` explained at Section 9.3, “Working with Data Sets”, which enables applications to consume data items one by one, X DevAPI also provides a pattern using `fetchAll()`, which passes all data items of a data set as a list to the application. The different X DevAPI implementations use appropriate data types for their programming language for the list. Because different data types are used, the language's native constructs are supported to access the list elements. The following example assumes that the `test` schema exists and that the employee table exists in `myTable`.

```
myResult = myTable.select(['name', 'age']) \
  .where('name like :name').bind('name','L%') \
  .execute()

myRows = myResult.fetch_all()

for row in myRows:
  print("%s is %s years old." % (row.name, row.age))
```

When mixing `fetchOne()` and `fetchAll()` to read from one data set keep in mind that every call to `fetchOne()` or `fetchAll()` consumes the data items returned. Items consumed cannot be requested again. If, for example, an application calls `fetchOne()` to fetch the first data item of a data set, then a subsequent call to `fetchAll()` returns the second to last data item. The first item is not part of the list of data items returned by `fetchAll()`. Similarly, when calling `fetchAll()` again for a data set after calling it previously, the second call returns an empty collection.

The use of `fetchAll()` forces a Connector to build a list of all items in memory before the list as a whole can be passed to the application. The life time of the list is independent from the life of the data set that has produced it.

Asynchronous query executions return control to caller once a query has been issued and prior to receiving any reply from the server. Calling `fetchAll()` to read the data items produced by an asynchronous query execution may block the caller. `fetchAll()` cannot return control to the caller before reading results from the server is finished.

9.5 Working with SQL Result Sets

When you execute an SQL operation on a Session using the `sql()` method an SqlResult is returned. Iterating an SqlResult is identical to working with results from CRUD operations. The following example assumes that the users table exists.

```
res = mySession.sql('SELECT name, age FROM users').execute()

row = res.fetch_one()

while row:
    print('Name: %s\n' % row[0])
    print(' Age: %s\n' % row.age)
    row = res.fetch_one()
```

SqlResult differs from results returned by CRUD operations in the way how result sets and data sets are represented. A SqlResult combines a result set produced by, for example, `INSERT`, and a data set, produced by, for example, `SELECT` in one. Unlike with CRUD operations there is no distinction between the two types. A SqlResult exports methods for data access and to retrieve the last inserted id or number of affected rows.

Use the `hasData()` method to learn whether a SqlResult is a data set or a result. The method is useful when code is to be written that has no knowledge about the origin of a SqlResult. This can be the case when writing a generic application function to print query results or when processing stored procedure results. If `hasData()` returns true, then the SqlResult origins from a `SELECT` or similar command that can return rows.

A return value of true does not indicate whether the data set contains any rows. The data set can be empty, for example it is empty if `fetchOne()` returns NULL or `fetchAll()` returns an empty list. The following example assumes that the procedure `my_proc` exists.

```
res = mySession.sql('CALL my_proc()').execute()

if res.has_data():

    row = res.fetch_one()
    if row:
        print('List of rows available for fetching.')
        while row:
            print(row)
            row = res.fetch_one()
    else:
        print('Empty list of rows.')
else:
    print('No row result.')
```

It is an error to call either `fetchOne()` or `fetchAll()` when `hasResult()` indicates that a SqlResult is not a data set.

```
def print_result(res):
  if res.has_data():
    # SELECT
    columns = res.get_columns()
    record = res.fetch_one()

    while record:
      index = 0

      for column in columns:
        print("%s: %s \n" % (column.get_column_name(), record[index]))
        index = index + 1

      # Get the next record
      record = res.fetch_one()
  else:
    #INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE, ...
    print('Rows affected: %s' % res.get_affected_items_count())

print_result(mySession.sql('DELETE FROM users WHERE age < 30').execute())
print_result(mySession.sql('SELECT * FROM users WHERE age = 40').execute())
```

Calling a stored procedure might result in having to deal with multiple result sets as part of a single execution. As a result for the query execution a SqlResult object is returned, which encapsulates the first result set. After processing the result set you can call `nextResult()` to move forward to the next result, if any. Once you advanced to the next result set, it replaces the previously loaded result which then becomes unavailable.

```
def print_result(res):
  if res.has_data():
    # SELECT
    columns = res.get_columns()
    record = res.fetch_one()

    while record:
      index = 0

      for column in columns:
        print("%s: %s \n" % (column.get_column_name(), record[index]))
        index = index + 1

      # Get the next record
      record = res.fetch_one()
  else:
    #INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE, ...
    print('Rows affected: %s' % res.get_affected_items_count())

res = mySession.sql('CALL my_proc()').execute()

# Prints each returned result
more = True
while more:
  print_result(res)
  more = res.next_result()
```

The number of result sets is not known immediately after the query execution. Query results can be streamed to the client or buffered at the client. In the streaming or partial buffering mode a client cannot tell whether a query emits more than one result set.

9.6 Working with Metadata

Results contain metadata related to the origin and types of results from relational queries. This metadata can be used by applications that need to deal with dynamic query results or format results for

transformation or display. Result metadata is accessible via instances of `Column`. An array of columns can be obtained from any RowResult using the `getColumns()` method.

For example, the following metadata is returned in response to the query `SELECT 1+1 AS a, b FROM mydb.some_table_with_b AS b_table`.

```
Column[0].databaseName = NULL
Column[0].tableName = NULL
Column[0].tableLabel = NULL
Column[0].columnName = NULL
Column[0].columnLabel = "a"
Column[0].type = BIGINT
Column[0].length = 3
Column[0].fractionalDigits = 0
Column[0].numberSigned = TRUE
Column[0].collationName = "binary"
Column[0].characterSetName = "binary"
Column[0].padded = FALSE

Column[1].databaseName = "mydb"
Column[1].tableName = "some_table_with_b"
Column[1].tableLabel = "b_table"
Column[1].columnName = "b"
Column[1].columnLabel = "b"
Column[1].type = STRING
Column[1].length = 20 (e.g.)
Column[1].fractionalDigits = 0
Column[1].numberSigned = TRUE
Column[1].collationName = "utf8mb4_general_ci"
Column[1].characterSetName = "utf8mb4"
Column[1].padded = FALSE
```

9.7 Support for Language Native Iterators

All implementations of the DevAPI feature the methods shown in the UML diagram at the beginning of this chapter. All implementations allow result set iteration using `fetchOne()`, `fetchAll()` and `nextResult()`. In addition to the unified API drivers should implement language native iteration patterns. This applies to any type of data set (DocResult, RowResult, SqlResult) and to the list of items returned by `fetchAll()`. You can choose whether you want your X DevAPI based application code to offer the same look and feel in all programming languages used or opt for the natural style of a programming language.

Chapter 10 Building Expressions

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This section explains how to build expressions using X DevAPI.

When working with MySQL expressions used in CRUD, statements can be specified in two ways. The first is to use strings to formulate the expressions which should be familiar if you have developed code with SQL before. The other method is to use Expression Builder functionality.

10.1 Expression Strings

Defining string expressions is straightforward as these are easy to read and write. The disadvantage is that they need to be parsed before they can be transfered to the MySQL server. In addition, type checking can only be done at runtime. All implementations can use the syntax illustrated here, which is shown as MySQL Shell JavaScript code.

```
// Using a string expression to get all documents that
// have the name field starting with 'S'
var myDocs = myColl.find('name like :name').bind('name', 'S%').execute();
```

10.1.1 Boolean Expression Strings

Boolean expression strings can be used when filtering collections or tables using operations, such as `find()` and `remove()`. The expression is evaluated once for each document or row.

The following example of a boolean expression string uses `find()` to search for all documents with a “red” color attribute from the collection “apples”:

```
apples.find('color = "red"').execute()
```

Similarly, to delete all red apples:

```
apples.remove('color = "red"').execute()
```

10.1.2 Value Expression Strings

Value expression strings are used to compute a value which can then be assigned to a given field or column. This is necessary for both `modify()` and `update()`, as well as computing values in documents at insertion time.

An example use of a value expression string would be to increment a counter. The `expr()` function is used to wrap strings where they would otherwise be interpreted literally. For example, to increment a counter:

```
// the expression is evaluated on the server
collection.modify('true').set("counter", expr("counter + 1")).execute()
```

If you do not wrap the string with `expr()`, it would be assigning the literal string "counter + 1" to the "counter" member:

```
// equivalent to directly assigning a string: counter = "counter + 1"
collection.modify('true').set("counter", "counter + 1").execute()
```

Chapter 11 CRUD EBNF Definitions

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This chapter provides a visual reference guide to the objects and functions available in the X DevAPI.

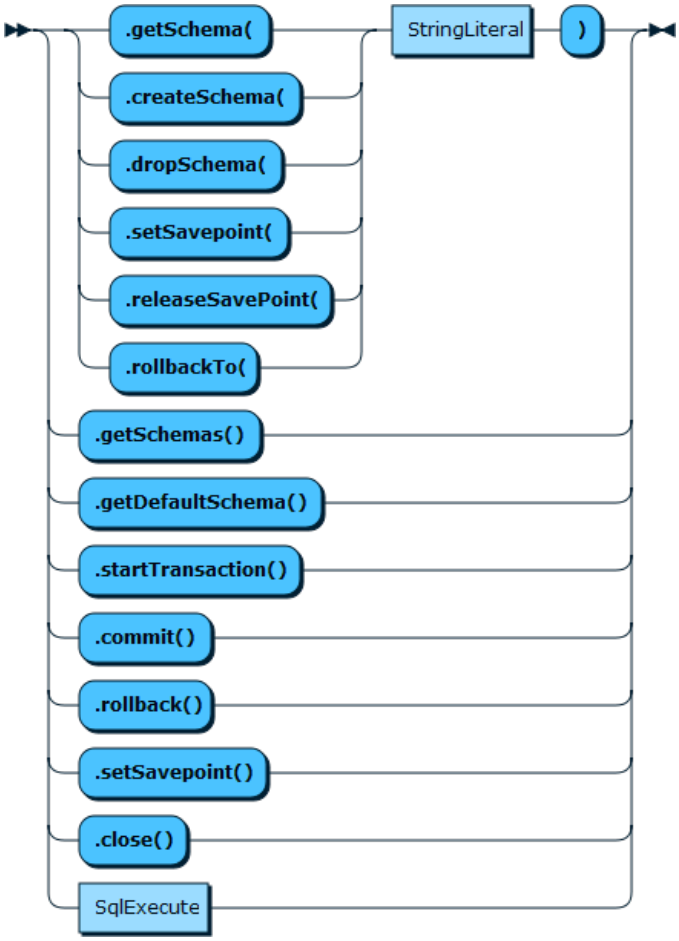
11.1 Session Objects and Functions

Session

The syntax for this object shown in EBNF is:

```
Session
    ::= '.getSchema(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.getSchemas()'
        | '.createSchema(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.dropSchema(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.getDefaultSchema()'
        | '.startTransaction()'
        | '.commit()'
        | '.rollback()'
        | '.setSavepoint()'
        | '.setSavepoint(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.releaseSavePoint(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.rollbackTo(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.close()'
        | SqlExecute
```

Figure 11.1 Session

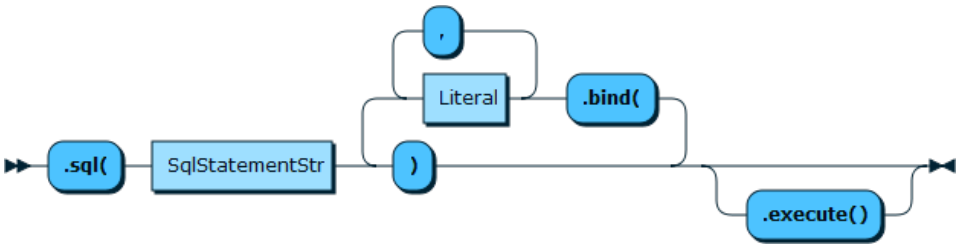


SqlExecute

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
SqlExecute
    ::= '.sql(' SqlStatementStr ')'
        ( '.bind(' Literal (',' Literal)* ')')*
        ( '.execute()' )?
```

Figure 11.2 SqlExecute

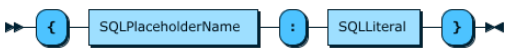


SQLPlaceholderValues

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
SQLPlaceholderValues
  ::= '{' SQLPlaceholderName ':' ( SQLLiteral ) '}'
```

Figure 11.3 SQLPlaceholderValues

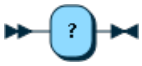


SQLPlaceholderName

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
SQLPlaceholderName
  ::= '?'
```

Figure 11.4 SQLPlaceholderName

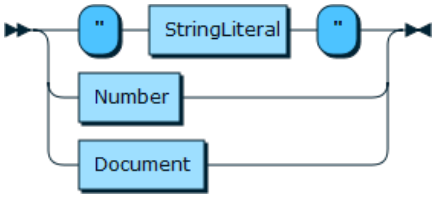


SQLLiteral

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
SQLLiteral
  ::= '"' StringLiteral '"' | Number | Document
```

Figure 11.5 SQLLiteral



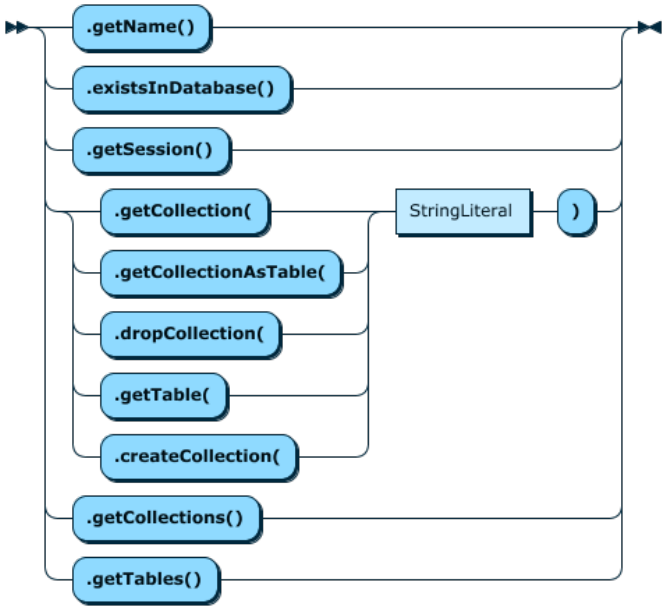
11.2 Schema Objects and Functions

Schema

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
Schema
    ::= '.getName()'
        | '.existsInDatabase()'
        | '.getSession()'
        | '.getCollection(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.getCollections()'
        | '.getCollectionAsTable(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.dropCollection(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.getTable(' StringLiteral ')'
        | '.getTables()'
        | '.createCollection(' StringLiteral ')'
```

Figure 11.6 Schema

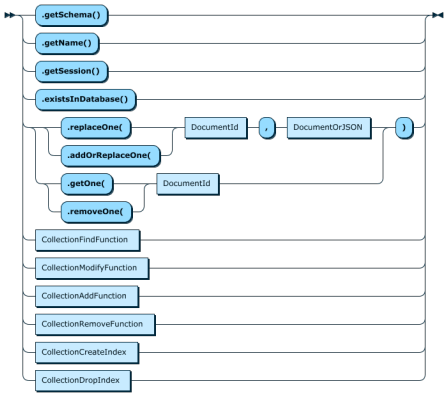


Collection

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
Collection
    ::= '.getSchema()'
        | '.getName()'
        | '.getSession()'
        | '.existsInDatabase()'
        | '.replaceOne(' DocumentId ',' DocumentOrJSON  ')'
        | '.addOrReplaceOne(' DocumentId ',' DocumentOrJSON  ')'
        | '.getOne(' DocumentId ')'
        | '.removeOne(' DocumentId ')'
        | CollectionFindFunction
        | CollectionModifyFunction
        | CollectionAddFunction
        | CollectionRemoveFunction
        | CollectionCreateIndex
        | CollectionDropIndex
```

Figure 11.7 Collection



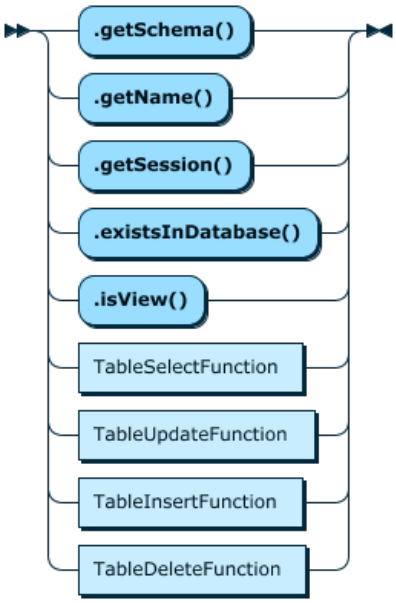
Table

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
Table
    ::= '.getSchema()'
        | '.getName()'
```

```
        | '.getSession()'
        | '.existsInDatabase()'
        | '.isView()'
        | TableSelectFunction
        | TableUpdateFunction
        | TableInsertFunction
        | TableDeleteFunction
```

Figure 11.8 Table



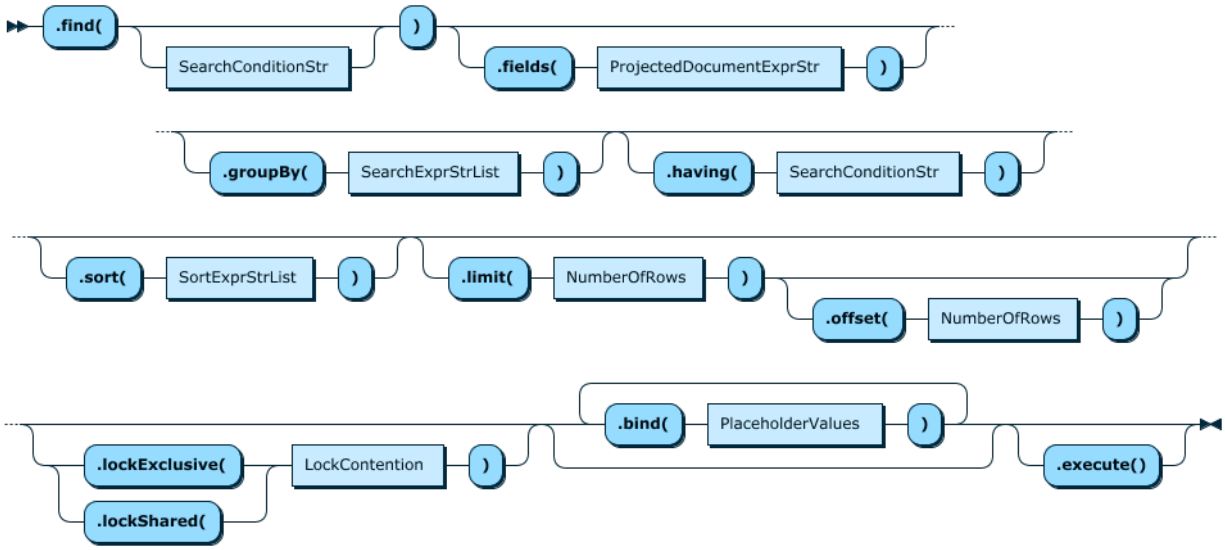
11.3 Collection CRUD Functions

CollectionFindFunction

The syntax for this function in EBNF is:

```
CollectionFindFunction
  ::= '.find(' SearchConditionStr? ')' ( '.fields(' ProjectedDocumentExprStr ')' )?
      ( '.groupBy(' SearchExprStrList ')' )? ( '.having(' SearchConditionStr ')' )?
      ( '.sort(' SortExprStrList ')' )? ( '.limit(' NumberOfRows ')' ( '.offset(' NumberOfRows ')' )? )
      ( '.lockExclusive(' LockContention ')' | '.lockShared(' LockContention ')' )?
      ( '.bind(' PlaceholderValues ')' )*
      ( '.execute()' )?
```

Figure 11.9 CollectionFindFunction

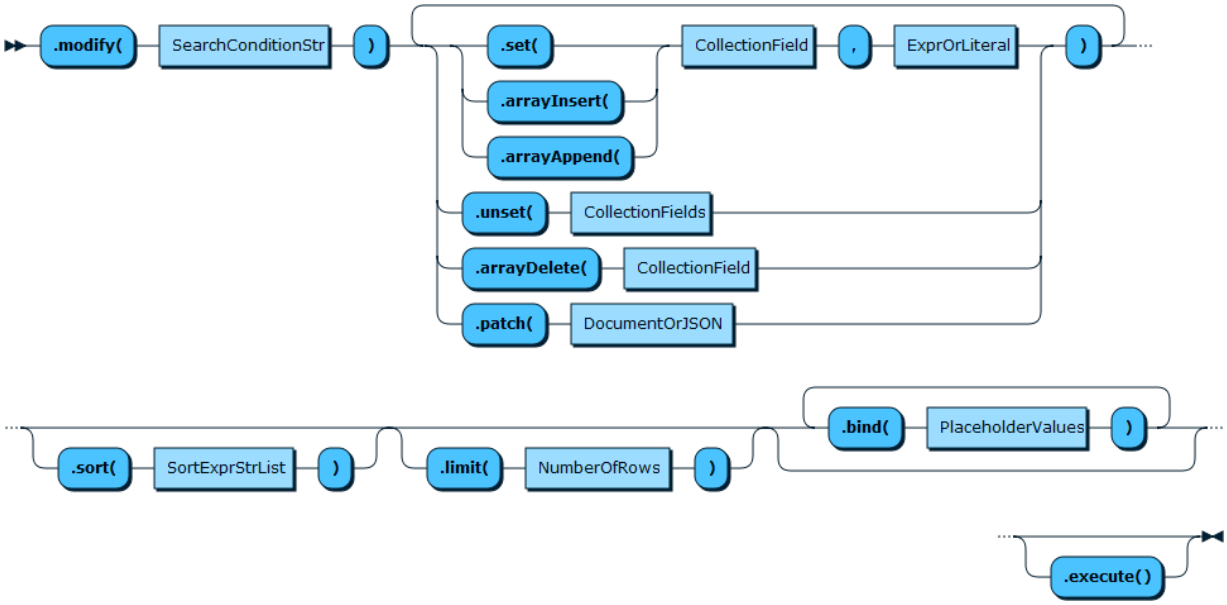


CollectionModifyFunction

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
CollectionModifyFunction
  ::= '.modify(' SearchConditionStr ')'
      ( '.set(' CollectionField ',' ExprOrLiteral ')' |
        '.unset(' CollectionFields ')' |
        '.arrayInsert(' CollectionField ',' ExprOrLiteral ')' |
        '.arrayAppend(' CollectionField ',' ExprOrLiteral ')' |
        '.arrayDelete(' CollectionField ')' |
        '.patch(' DocumentOrJSON ')'
      )+
      ( '.sort(' SortExprStrList ')' )? ( '.limit(' NumberOfRows ')' )?
      ( '.bind(' PlaceholderValues ')' )*
      ( '.execute()' )?
```

Figure 11.10 CollectionModifyFunction

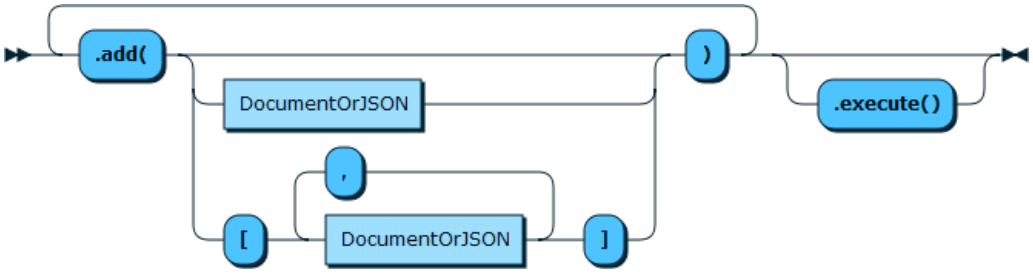


CollectionAddFunction

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
CollectionAddFunction
    ::= ( '.add(' ( DocumentOrJSON | '[' DocumentOrJSON ( ',' DocumentOrJSON )* ']' )? ')' )+
        ( '.execute()' )?
```

Figure 11.11 CollectionAddFunction

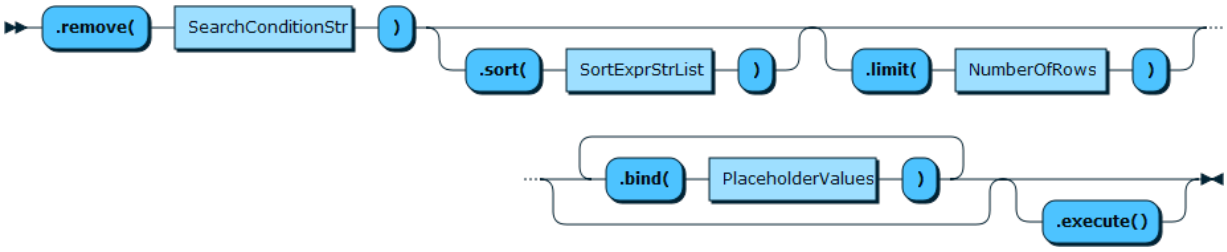


CollectionRemoveFunction

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
CollectionRemoveFunction
    ::= '.remove(' SearchConditionStr ')'
        ( '.sort(' SortExprStrList ')' )? ( '.limit(' NumberOfRows ')' )?
        ( '.bind(' PlaceholderValues ')' )*
        ( '.execute()' )?
```

Figure 11.12 CollectionRemoveFunction



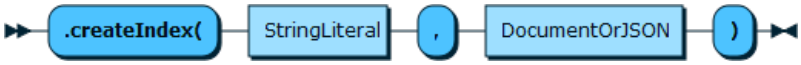
11.4 Collection Index Management Functions

Collection.createIndex() Function

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
CollectionCreateIndex
    ::= '.createIndex(' StringLiteral ',' DocumentOrJSON ')'
```

Figure 11.13 CollectionCreateIndexFunction

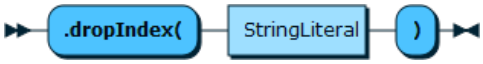


CollectionDropIndex

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
CollectionDropIndex
    ::= '.dropIndex(' StringLiteral ')'
```

Figure 11.14 CollectionDropIndex



11.5 Table CRUD Functions

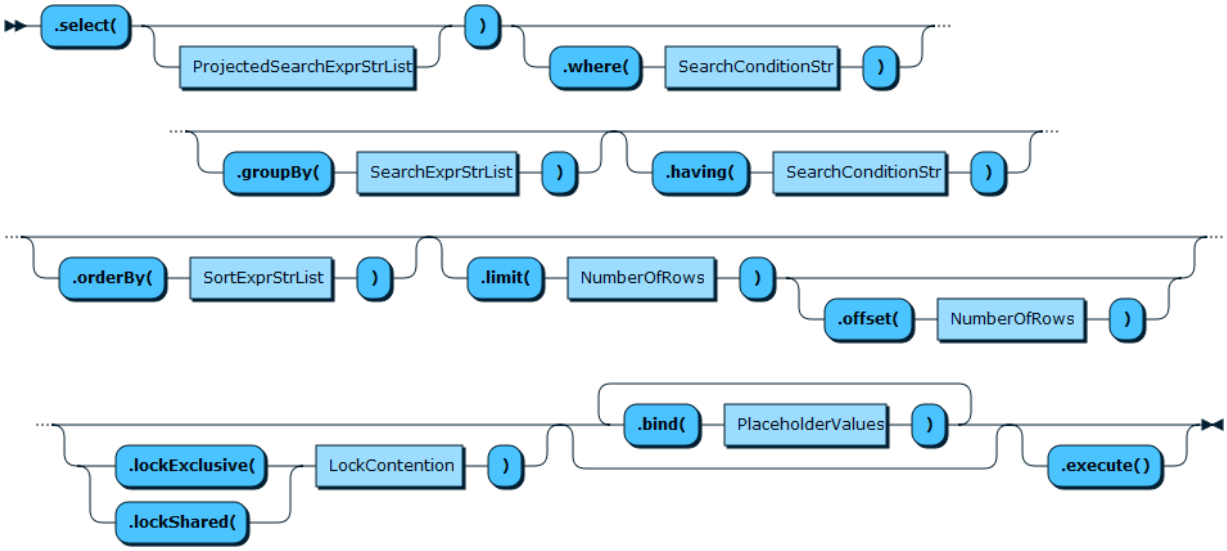
TableSelectFunction

`Table.select()` and `collection.find()` use different methods for sorting results. `Table.select()` follows the SQL language naming and calls the sort method `orderBy()`. `Collection.find()` does not. Use the method `sort()` to sort the results returned by `Collection.find()`. Proximity with the SQL standard is considered more important than API uniformity here.

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
TableSelectFunction
  ::= '.select(' ProjectedSearchExprStrList? ')' ( '.where(' SearchConditionStr ')' )?
      ( '.groupBy(' SearchExprStrList ')' )? ( '.having(' SearchConditionStr ')' )?
      ( '.orderBy(' SortExprStrList ')' )? ( '.limit(' NumberOfRows ')' ( '.offset(' NumberOfRows ')' )
      ( '.lockExclusive(' LockContention ')' | '.lockShared(' LockContention ')' )?
      ( '.bind(' ( PlaceholderValues ) ')' )*
      ( '.execute()' )?
```

Figure 11.15 TableSelectFunction

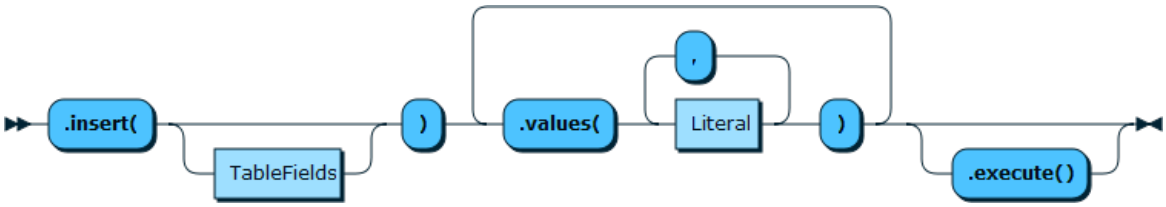


TableInsertFunction

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
TableInsertFunction
  ::= '.insert(' ( TableFields )? ')'
       ( '.values(' Literal (',' Literal)* ')' )+
       ( '.execute()' )?
```

Figure 11.16 TableInsertFunction

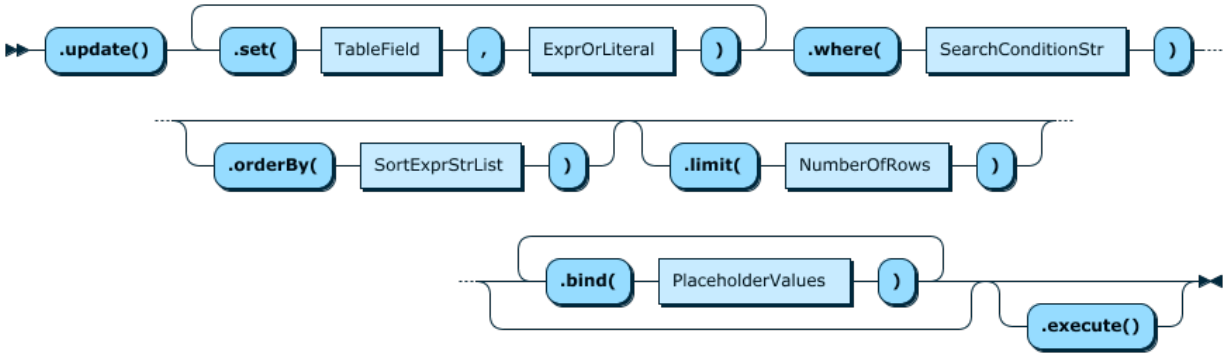


TableUpdateFunction

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
TableUpdateFunction
  ::= '.update()'
      ( '.set(' TableField ',' ExprOrLiteral ')' )+ '.where(' SearchConditionStr ')'
      ( '.orderBy(' SortExprStrList ')' )? ( '.limit(' NumberOfRows ')' )?
      ( '.bind(' ( PlaceholderValues ) ')' )*
      ( '.execute()' )?
```

Figure 11.17 TableUpdateFunction

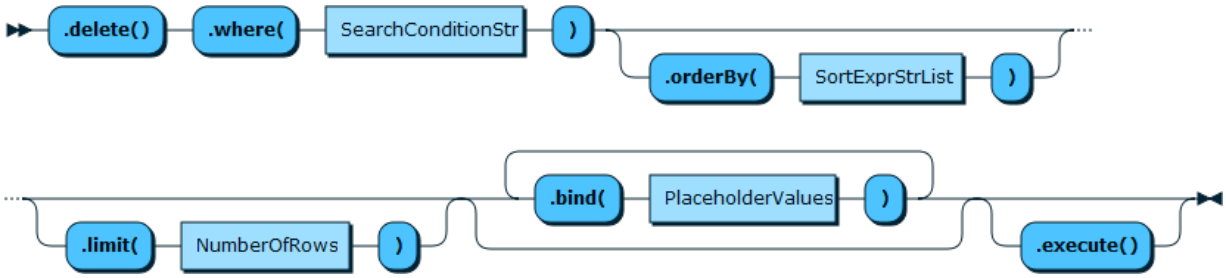


TableDeleteFunction

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
TableDeleteFunction
  ::= '.delete()' '.where(' SearchConditionStr ')'
      ( '.orderBy(' SortExprStrList ')' )? ( '.limit(' NumberOfRows ')' )?
      ( '.bind(' ( PlaceholderValues ) ')' )*
      ( '.execute()' )?
```

Figure 11.18 TableDeleteFunction



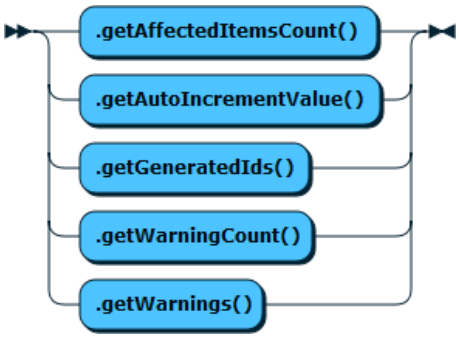
11.6 Result Functions

Result

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
Result
    ::= '.getAffectedItemsCount()'
        | '.getAutoIncrementValue()'
        | '.getGeneratedIds()'
        | '.getWarningCount()'
        | '.getWarnings()'
```

Figure 11.19 Result

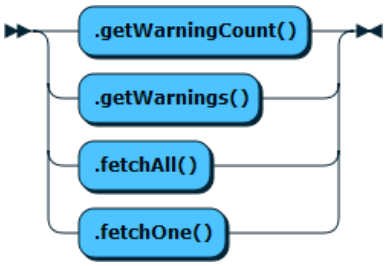


DocResult

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
DocResult
    ::= '.getWarningCount()'
        | '.getWarnings()'
        | '.fetchAll()'
        | '.fetchOne()'
```

Figure 11.20 DocResult

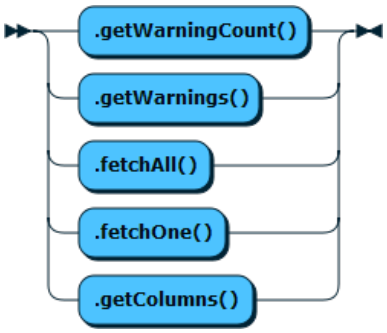


RowResult

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
RowResult
    ::= '.getWarningCount()'
        | '.getWarnings()'
        | '.fetchAll()'
        | '.fetchOne()'
        | '.getColumns()'
```

Figure 11.21 RowResult

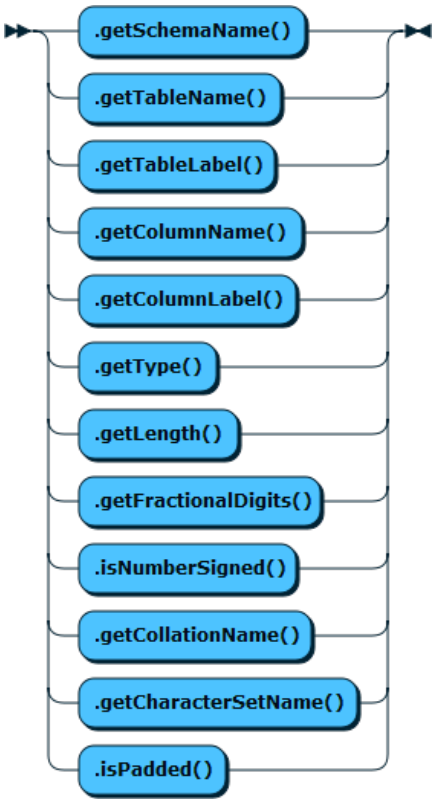


Column

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
Column
    ::= '.getSchemaName()'
        | '.getTableName()'
        | '.getTableLabel()'
        | '.getColumnName()'
        | '.getColumnLabel()'
        | '.getType()'
        | '.getLength()'
        | '.getFractionalDigits()'
        | '.isNumberSigned()'
        | '.getCollationName()'
        | '.getCharacterSetName()'
        | '.isPadded()'
```

Figure 11.22 Column

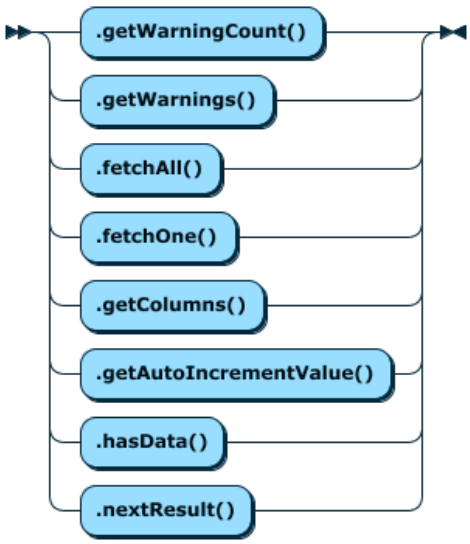


SqlResult

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
SqlResult
    ::= '.getWarningCount()'
        | '.getWarnings()'
        | '.fetchAll()'
        | '.fetchOne()'
        | '.getColumns()'
        | '.getAutoIncrementValue()'
        | '.hasData()'
        | '.nextResult()'
```

Figure 11.23 SqlResult



11.7 Other EBNF Definitions

SearchConditionStr

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
SearchConditionStr
  ::= '"' Expression '"'
```

Figure 11.24 SearchConditionStr

SearchExprStrList

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
SearchExprStrList
  ::= '[' '"' Expression '"' ( ',' '"' Expression '"' )* ']'
```

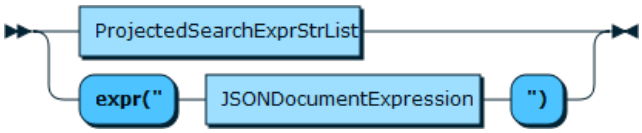
Figure 11.25 SearchExprStrList

ProjectedDocumentExprStr

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
ProjectedDocumentExprStr
  ::= ProjectedSearchExprStrList | 'expr("' JSONDocumentExpression '")'
```

Figure 11.26 ProjectedDocumentExprStr

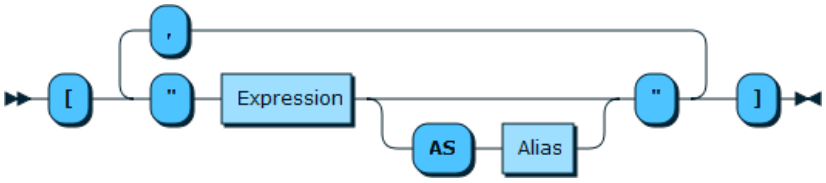


ProjectedSearchExprStrList

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
ProjectedSearchExprStrList
  ::= '[' '"' Expression ( 'AS' Alias )? '"' ( ',' '"' Expression ( 'AS' Alias )? '"' )* ']'
```

Figure 11.27 ProjectedSearchExprStrList



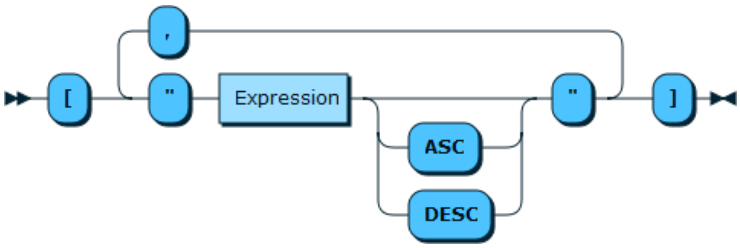
SortExprStrList

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
SortExprStrList
```

```
  ::= '[' '"' Expression ( 'ASC' | 'DESC' )? '"' ( ',' '"' Expression ( 'ASC' | 'DESC' )? '"' )* ']'
```

Figure 11.28 SortExprStrList



ExprOrLiteral

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
ExprOrLiteral
  ::= 'expr("' Expression '")' | Literal
```

Figure 11.29 ExprOrLiteral

ExprOrLiterals

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
ExprOrLiterals
  ::= ExprOrLiteral ( ',' ExprOrLiteral )*
```

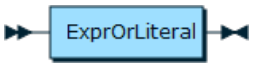
Figure 11.30 ExprOrLiterals

ExprOrLiteralOrOperand

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
ExprOrLiteralOrOperand
  ::= ExprOrLiteral
```

Figure 11.31 ExprOrLiteralOrOperand



PlaceholderValues

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
PlaceholderValues
  ::= '{' PlaceholderName ':' ( ExprOrLiteral ) '}'
```

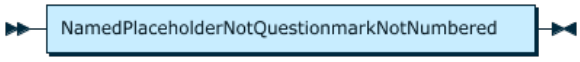
Figure 11.32 PlaceholderValues

PlaceholderName

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
PlaceholderName
  ::= NamedPlaceholderNotQuestionmarkNotNumbered
```

Figure 11.33 PlaceholderName

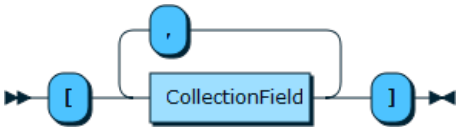


CollectionFields

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
CollectionFields
  ::= ( '[' CollectionField ( ',' CollectionField )* ']' )
```

Figure 11.34 CollectionFields

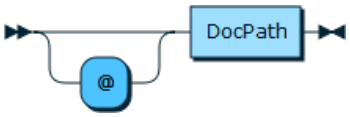


CollectionField

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
CollectionField
  ::= '@'? DocPath
```

Figure 11.35 CollectionField

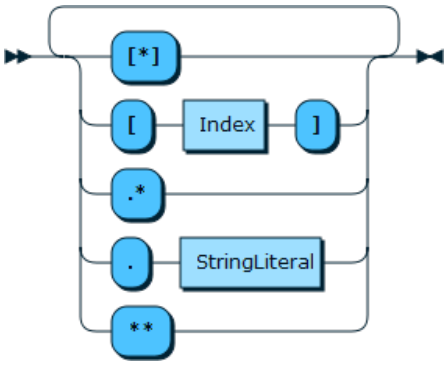


DocPath

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
DocPath
  ::= ( '[*]' | ( '[' Index ']' ) | '.*' | ( '.' StringLiteral ) | '**' )+
```

Figure 11.36 DocPath

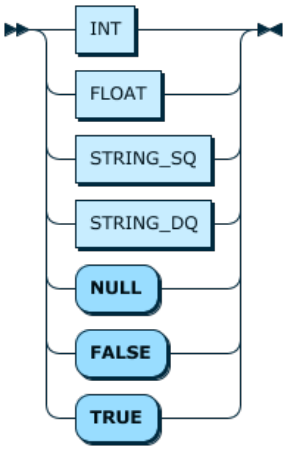


Literal

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
Literal
  ::= '"' StringLiteral '"' | Number | true | false | Document
```

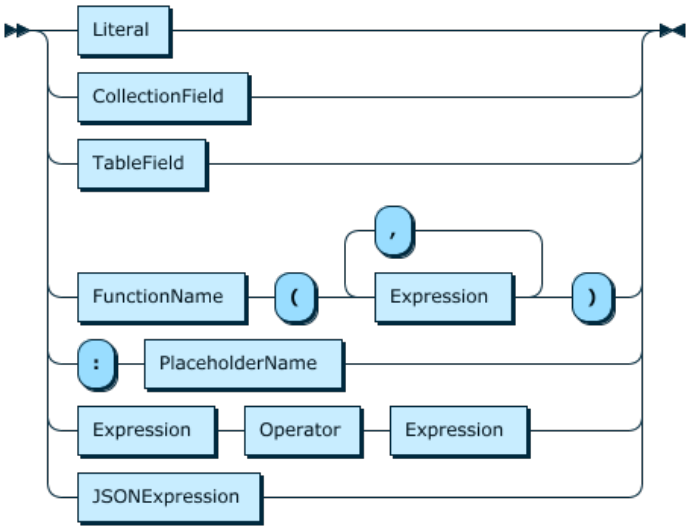
Figure 11.37 Literal



Expression

```
Expression
  ::= Literal
   | CollectionField
   | TableField
   | FunctionName '(' Expression ( ',' Expression )* ')'
   | ':' PlaceholderName
   | Expression Operator Expression
   | JSONExpression
```

Figure 11.38 Expression



Document

An API call expecting a JSON document allows the use of many data types to describe the document. Depending on the X DevAPI implementation and language any of the following data types can be used:

- String

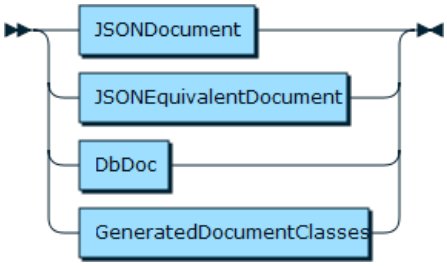
- Native JSON
- JSON equivalent syntax
- DbDoc
- Generated Doc Classes

All implementations of X DevAPI allow expressing a document by the special DbDoc type and as a string.

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
Document
  ::= JSONDocument | JSONEquivalentDocument | DbDoc | GeneratedDocumentClasses
```

Figure 11.39 Document

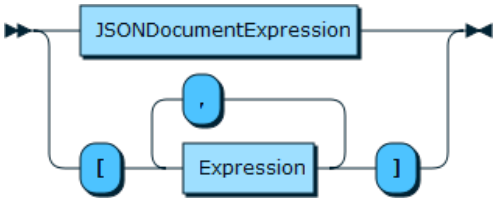


JSONExpression

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
JSONExpression
  ::= JSONDocumentExpression | '[' Expression ( ',' Expression )* ']'
```

Figure 11.40 JSONExpression

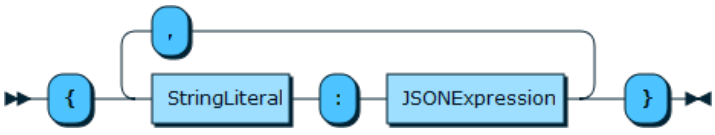


JSONDocumentExpression

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
JSONDocumentExpression
  ::= '{' StringLiteral ':' JSONExpression (',' StringLiteral ':' JSONExpression)* '}'
```

Figure 11.41 JSONDocumentExpression



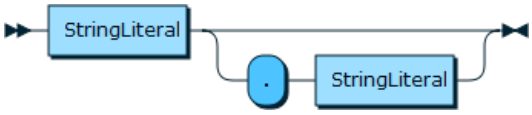
FunctionName

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
FunctionName
```

```
  ::= StringLiteral | StringLiteral '.' StringLiteral
```

Figure 11.42 FunctionName

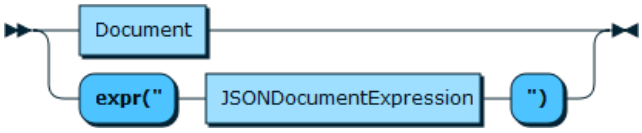


DocumentOrJSON

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
DocumentOrJSON
  ::= Document | 'expr("' JSONDocumentExpression '")'
```

Figure 11.43 DocumentOrJSON

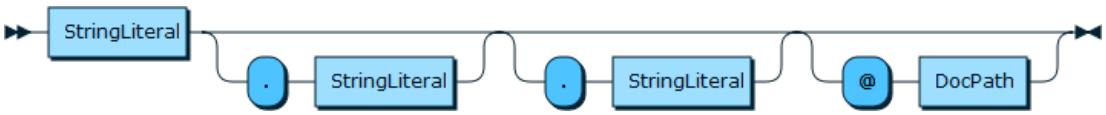


TableField

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
TableField
  ::= ( StringLiteral '.' )? ( StringLiteral '.' )? StringLiteral ( '@' DocPath )?
```

Figure 11.44 TableField

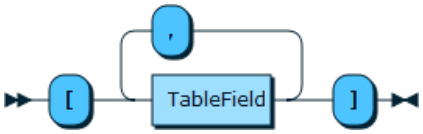


TableFields

The syntax for this function shown in EBNF is:

```
TableFields
  ::= ( '[' TableField ( ',' TableField )* ']' )
```

Figure 11.45 TableFields



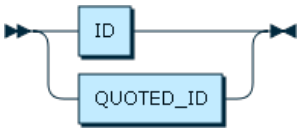
Chapter 12 Expressions EBNF Definitions

This section provides a visual reference guide to the grammar for the expression language used in X DevAPI.

ident

```
ident
   ::= ID | QUOTED_ID
```

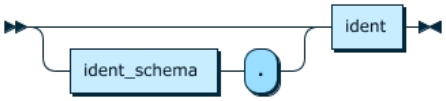
Figure 12.1 ident



schemaQualifiedIdent

```
schemaQualifiedIdent
                  ::= ( ident_schema '.' )? ident
```

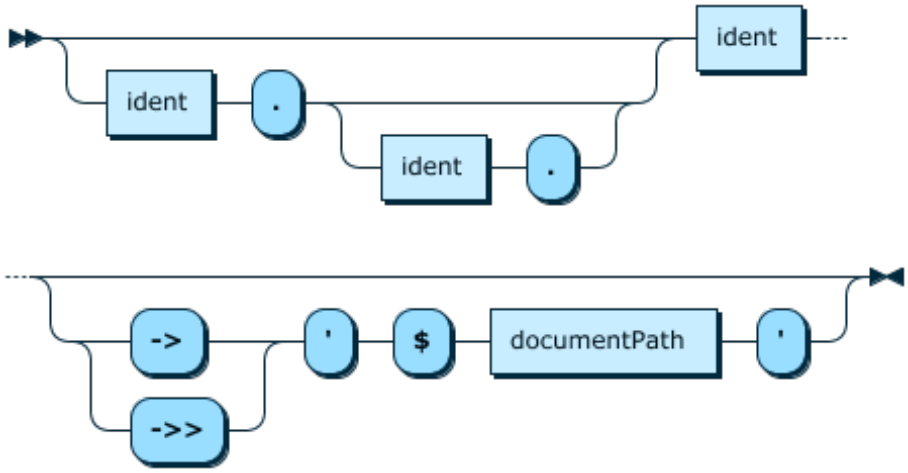
Figure 12.2 schemaQualifiedIdent



columnIdent

Figure 12.3 columnIdent

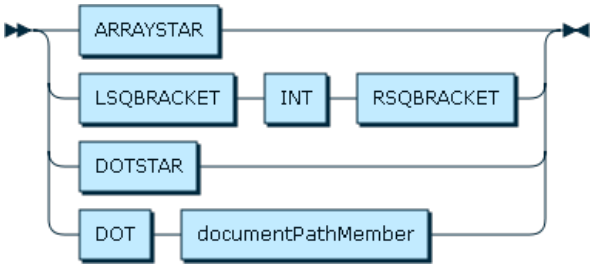
```
columnIdent
         ::= ( ident '.' ( ident '.' )? )? ident ( ( '->' | '->>' ) "'" '$' documentPath "'" )?
```



documentPathLastItem

```
documentPathLastItem
         ::= '[*]'
           | '[' INT ']'
           | '.*'
           | '.' documentPathMember
```

Figure 12.4 documentPathLastItem



documentPathItem

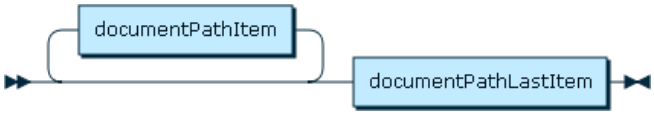
```
documentPathItem
        ::= documentPathLastItem
          | '**'
```

Figure 12.5 documentPathItem

documentPath

```
documentPath
         ::= documentPathItem* documentPathLastItem
```

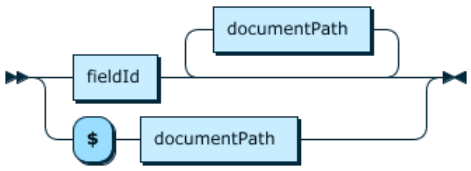
Figure 12.6 documentPath



documentField

Figure 12.7 documentField

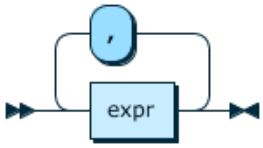
```
documentField
        ::= fieldId documentPath*
          | '$' documentPath
```



argsList

```
argsList ::= expr ( ',' expr )*
```

Figure 12.8 argsList



lengthSpec

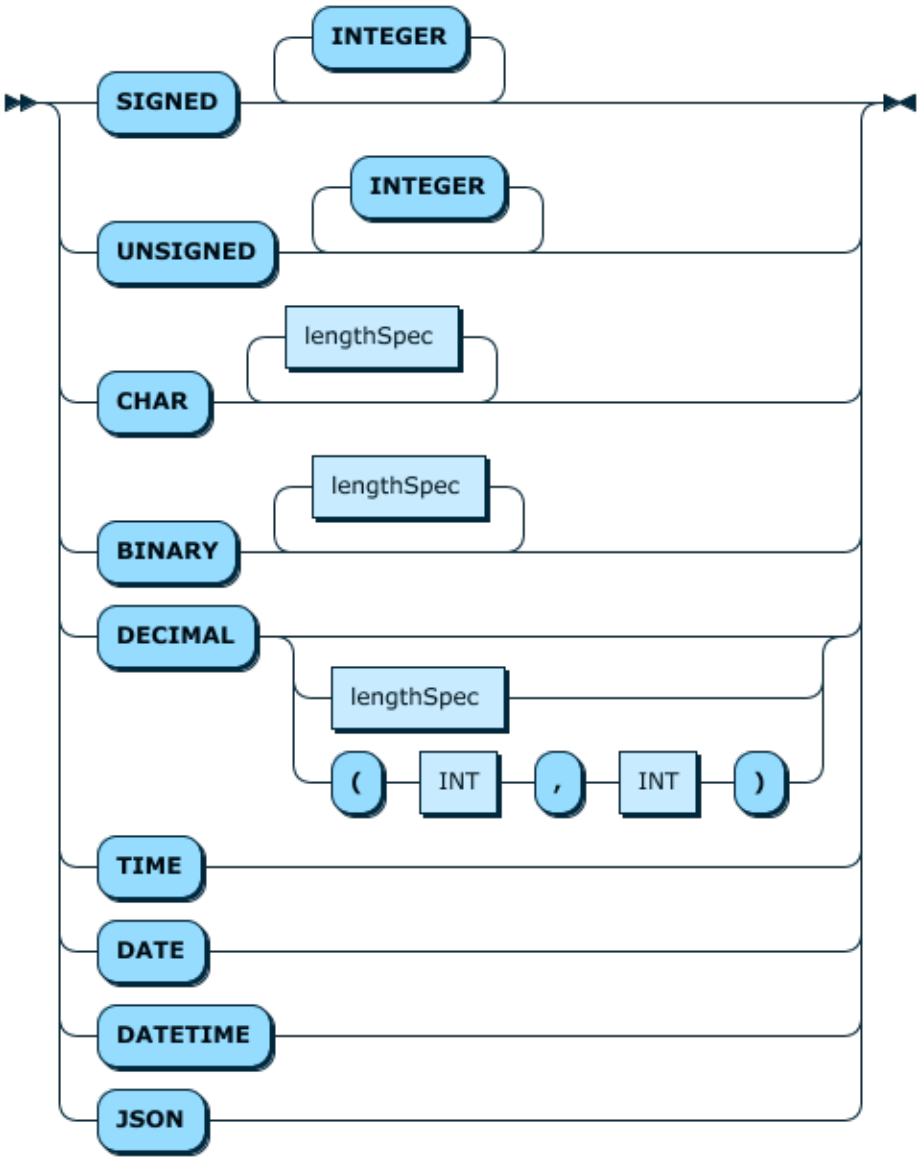
```
lengthSpec ::= '(' INT ')'
```

Figure 12.9 lengthSpec

castType

```
castType ::= 'SIGNED' 'INTEGER'*
           | 'UNSIGNED' 'INTEGER'*
           | 'CHAR' lengthSpec*
           | 'BINARY' lengthSpec*
           | 'DECIMAL' ( lengthSpec | '(' INT ',' INT ')' )?
           | 'TIME'
           | 'DATE'
           | 'DATETIME'
           | 'JSON'
```

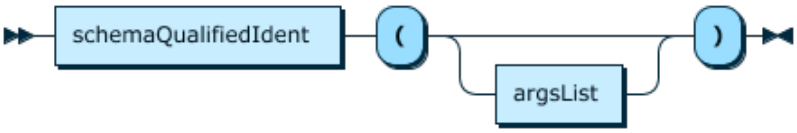
Figure 12.10 castType



functionCall

```
functionCall
        ::= schemaQualifiedIdent '(' argsList? ')'
```

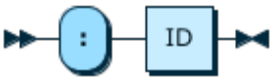
Figure 12.11 functionCall



placeholder

```
placeholder ::= ':' ID
```

Figure 12.12 placeholder



groupedExpr

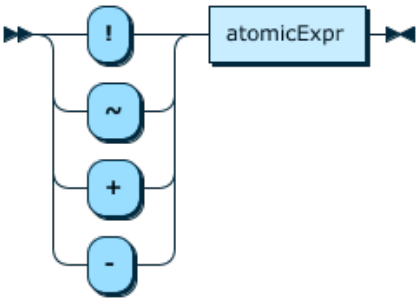
```
groupedExpr ::= '(' expr ')'
```

Figure 12.13 groupedExpr

unaryOp

```
unaryOp  ::= ( '!' | '~' | '+' | '-' ) atomicExpr
```

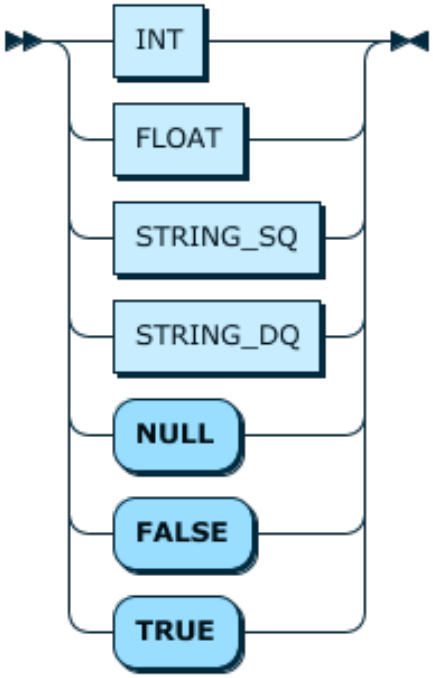
Figure 12.14 unaryOp



literal

```
literal  ::= INT
           | FLOAT
           | STRING_SQ
           | STRING_DQ
           | 'NULL'
           | 'FALSE'
           | 'TRUE'
```

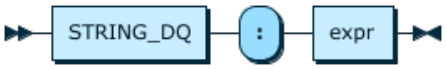
Figure 12.15 literal



jsonKeyValue

```
jsonKeyValue ::= STRING_DQ ':' expr
```

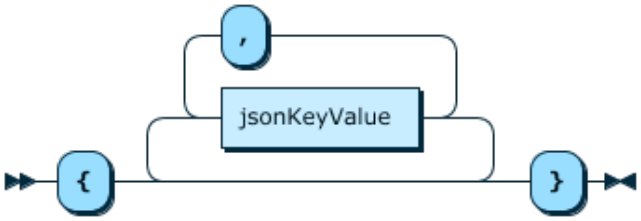
Figure 12.16 jsonKeyValue



jsonDoc

```
jsonDoc  ::= '{' ( jsonKeyValue ( ',' jsonKeyValue )* )* '}'
```

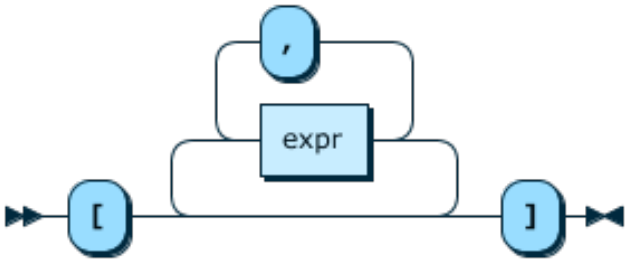
Figure 12.17 jsonDoc



jsonarray

```
jsonArray ::= '[' ( expr ( ',' expr )* )* ']'
```

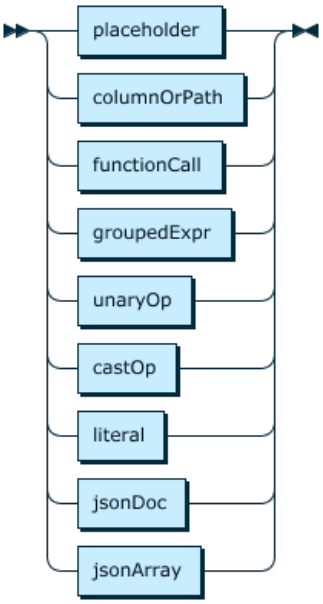
Figure 12.18 jsonarray



atomicExpr

```
atomicExpr
         ::= placeholder
           | columnOrPath
           | functionCall
           | groupedExpr
           | unaryOp
           | castOp
```

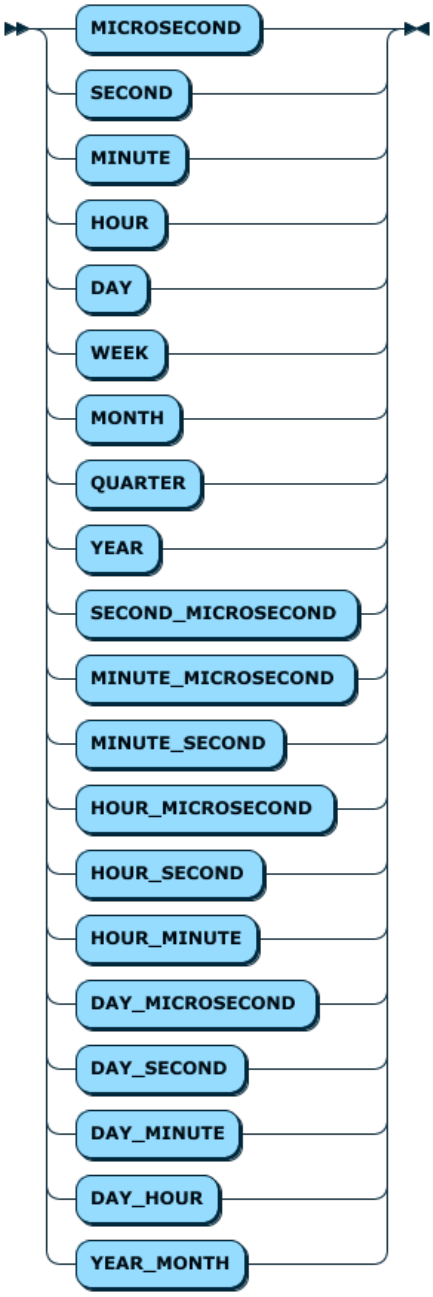
Figure 12.19 atomicExpr



intervalUnit

```
INTERVAL_UNIT
         ::= 'MICROSECOND'
           | 'SECOND'
           | 'MINUTE'
           | 'HOUR'
           | 'DAY'
           | 'WEEK'
           | 'MONTH'
           | 'QUARTER'
           | 'YEAR'
           | 'SECOND_MICROSECOND'
           | 'MINUTE_MICROSECOND'
           | 'MINUTE_SECOND'
           | 'HOUR_MICROSECOND'
           | 'HOUR_SECOND'
           | 'HOUR_MINUTE'
           | 'DAY_MICROSECOND'
           | 'DAY_SECOND'
           | 'DAY_MINUTE'
           | 'DAY_HOUR'
           | 'YEAR_MONTH'
```

Figure 12.20 INTERVAL_UNIT



interval

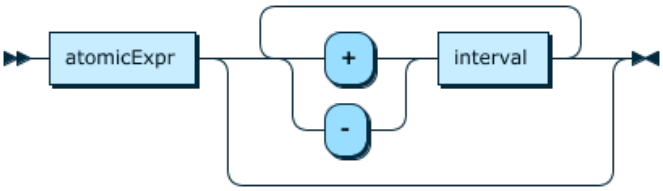
```
interval ::= 'INTERVAL' expr INTERVAL_UNIT
```

Figure 12.21 interval

intervalExpr

```
intervalExpr
        ::= atomicExpr ( ( '+' | '-' ) interval )*
```

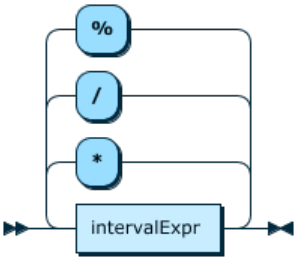
Figure 12.22 intervalExpr



mulDivExpr

```
mulDivExpr
        ::= intervalExpr ( ( '*' | '/' | '%' ) intervalExpr )*
```

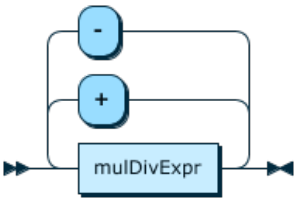
Figure 12.23 mulDivExpr



addSubExpr

```
addSubExpr
        ::= mulDivExpr ( ( '+' | '-' ) mulDivExpr )*
```

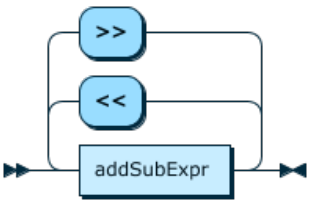
Figure 12.24 addSubExpr



shiftExpr

```
shiftExpr
        ::= addSubExpr ( ( '<<' | '>>' ) addSubExpr )*
```

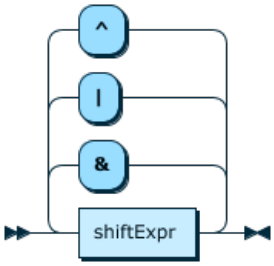
Figure 12.25 shiftExpr



bitExpr

```
bitExpr  ::= shiftExpr ( ( '&' | '|' | '^' ) shiftExpr )*
```

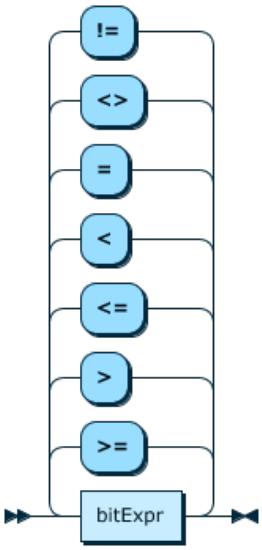
Figure 12.26 bitExpr



compExpr

```
compExpr ::= bitExpr ( ( '>=' | '>' | '<=' | '<' | '=' | '<>' | '!=' ) bitExpr )*
```

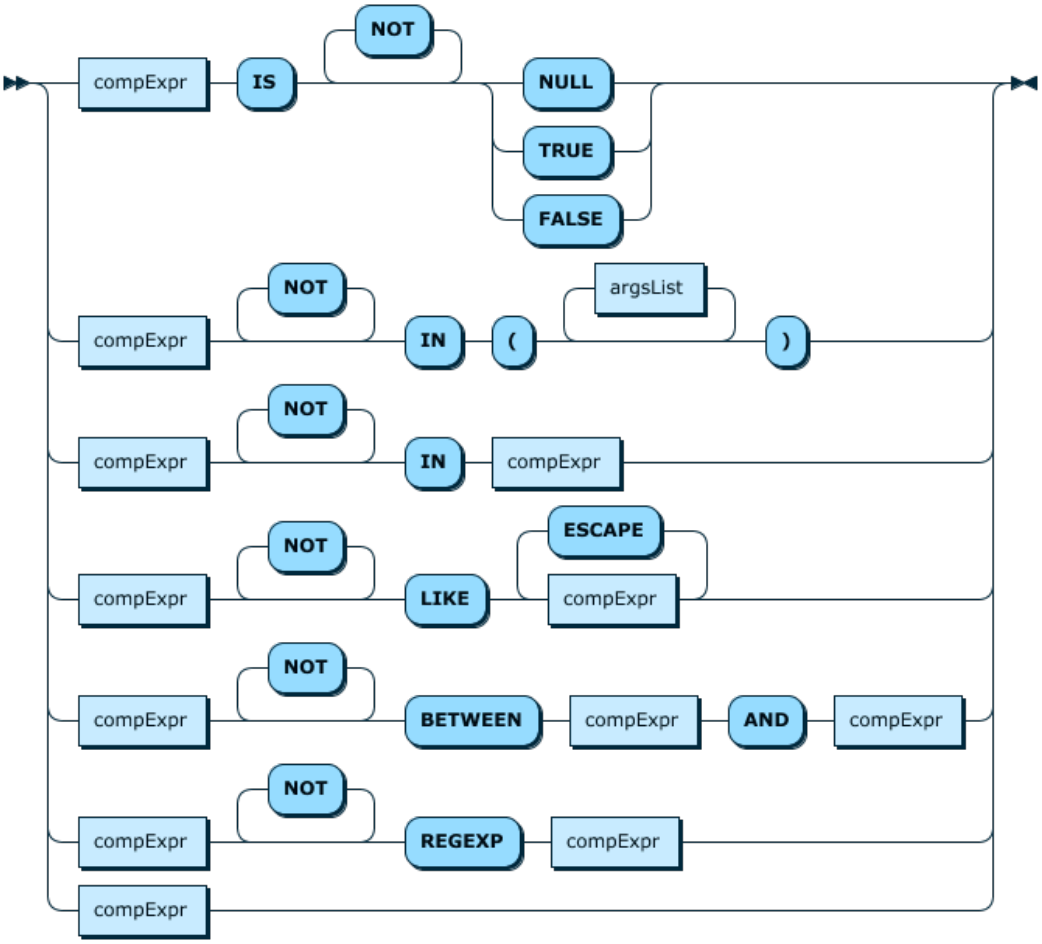
Figure 12.27 compExpr



ilriExpr

```
ilriExpr ::= compExpr 'IS' 'NOT'* ( 'NULL' | 'TRUE' | 'FALSE' )
           | compExpr 'NOT'* 'IN' '(' argsList* ')'
           | compExpr 'NOT'* 'IN' compExpr
           | compExpr 'NOT'* 'LIKE' compExpr ( 'ESCAPE' compExpr )*
           | compExpr 'NOT'* 'BETWEEN' compExpr 'AND' compExpr
           | compExpr 'NOT'* 'REGEXP' compExpr
           | compExpr
```

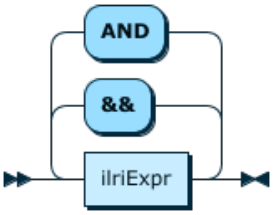
Figure 12.28 ilriExpr



andExpr

```
andExpr  ::= ilriExpr ( ( '&&' | 'AND' ) ilriExpr )*
```

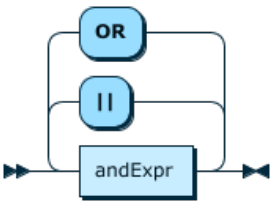
Figure 12.29 andExpr



orExpr

```
orExpr   ::= andExpr ( ( '||' | 'OR' ) andExpr )*
```

Figure 12.30 orExpr



expr

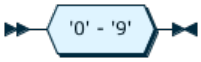
```
expr     ::= orExpr
```

Figure 12.31 expr

DIGIT

```
DIGIT    ::= '0' - '9'
```

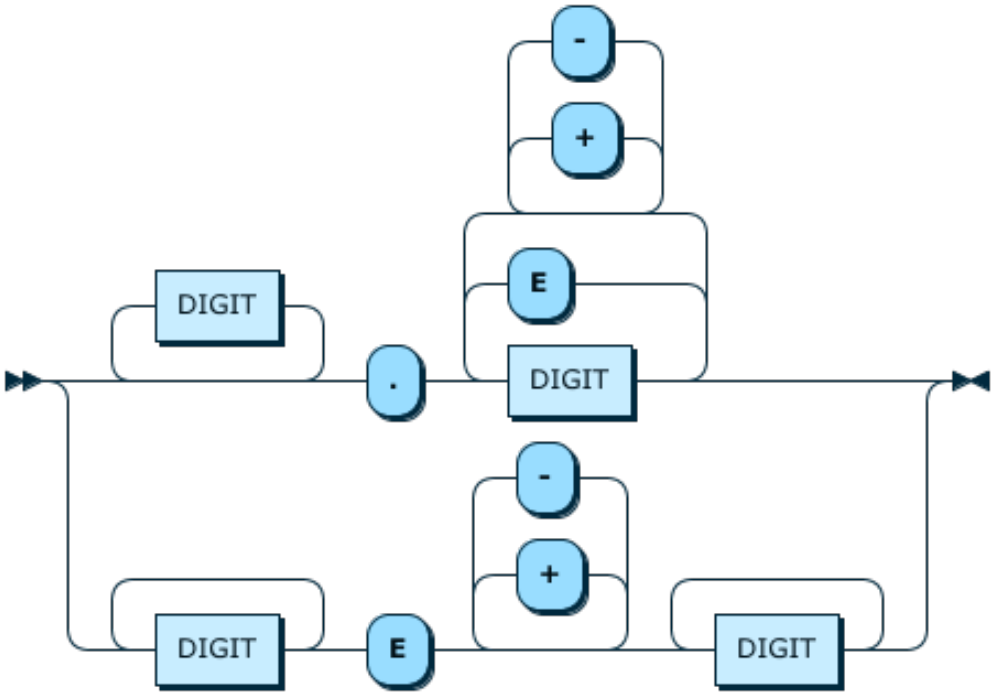
Figure 12.32 DIGIT



FLOAT

```
FLOAT    ::= DIGIT* '.' DIGIT+ ( 'E' ( '+' | '-' )* DIGIT+ )*
           | DIGIT+ 'E' ( '+' | '-' )* DIGIT+
```

Figure 12.33 FLOAT



INT

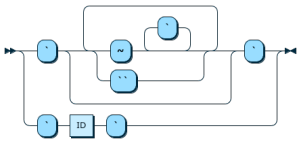
```
INT      ::= DIGIT+
```

Figure 12.34 INT

QUOTED_ID

```
QUOTED_ID
         ::= '`' ID '`'
           | '`' ( '~' '`'* | '``' )* '`'
```

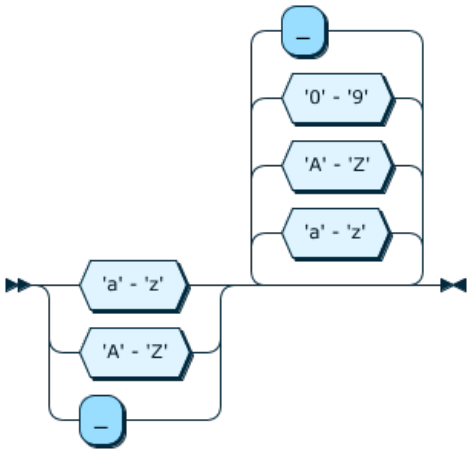
Figure 12.35 QUOTED_ID



ID

```
ID        ::= ( 'a' - 'z' | 'A' - 'Z' | '_' ) ( 'a' - 'z' | 'A' - 'Z' | '0' - '9' | '_' )*
```

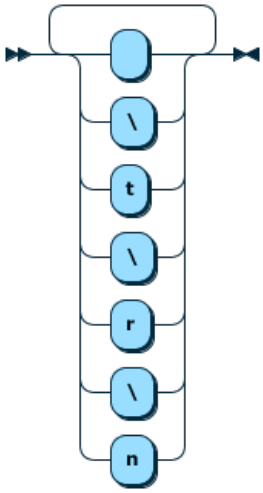
Figure 12.36 ID



WS

```
WS        ::= [ \t\r\n]+
```

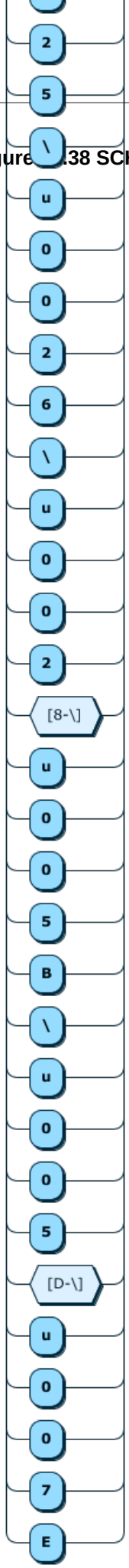
Figure 12.37 WS



SCHAR

```
SCHAR     ::= [\u0020\u0021\u0023\u0024\u0025\u0026\u0028-\u005B\u005D-\u007E]
```

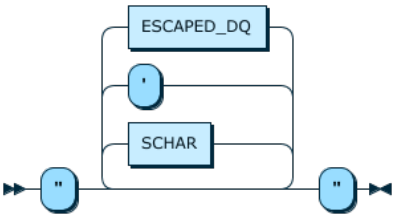
Figure 4.38 SCHAR



STRING_DQ

```
STRING_DQ
        ::= '"' ( SCHAR | "'" | ESCAPED_DQ )* '"'
```

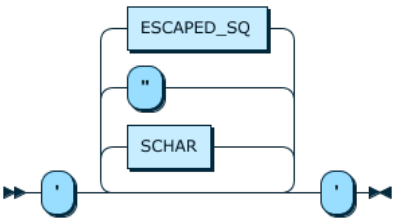
Figure 12.39 STRING_DQ



STRING_SQ

```
STRING_SQ
        ::= "'" ( SCHAR | '"' | ESCAPED_SQ )* "'"
```

Figure 12.40 STRING_SQ



Chapter 13 Implementation Notes

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13.1 MySQL Shell X DevAPI extensions

MySQL Shell deviates from the Connector implementations of X DevAPI in certain places. A Connector can connect to MySQL Server instances running X Plugin only by means of X Protocol. MySQL Shell contains an extension of X DevAPI to access MySQL Server instances through X Protocol. An additional ClassicSession class is available to establish a connection to a single MySQL Server instance using classic MySQL protocol. The functionality of the ClassicSession is limited to basic schema browsing and SQL execution.

See MySQL Shell 8.0, for more information.