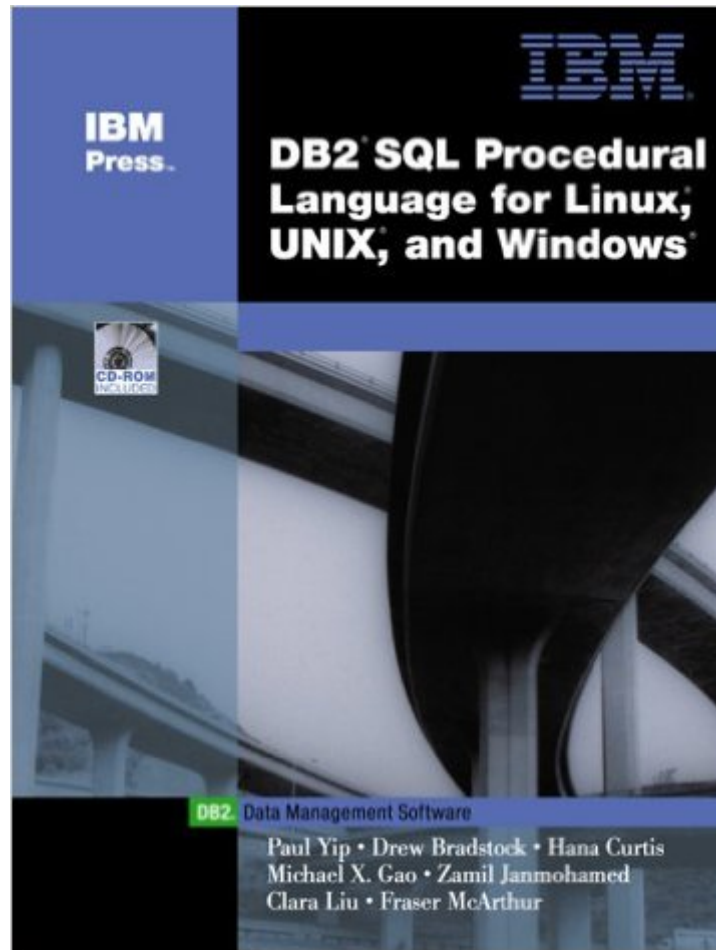# DB2(R) SQL Procedure Language For Linux, UNIX And Windows (IBM DB2 Certification Guide Series)

Synopsis

SQL Procedure Language (SQL PL) is used in DB2 to write database-stored procedures. Stored procedures are used to encapsulate business logic on the database and yield the following benefits: significantly improved application performance, increased application scalability, simplified application development, and reduced network traffic. This book will teach the reader how to set up the development environment and use all language elements of SQL PL through concrete examples and thorough discussions. Also included are expert tips and best practices for achieving optimal performance and code manageability. This book will be a valuable reference for SQL PL code syntax and troubleshooting. There are currently no books on the market that cover the DB2 SQL Procedure Language, although it is extensively used by IBM business partners and other software vendors.

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This comprehensive yet concise introduction to DB2's SQL procedural language is the first and best place to find guidance on this crucial topic. Stored procedures are fast becoming the mainstay of successful client/server and Web-based DB2 applications, and this book WILL teach you how to develop them, even if all you currently know is just a bit of SQL.Written by DB2 experts from the IBM Toronto Labs, this is one of those rare texts that actually imparts expertise. It is eminently readable and crystal clear in its explanations of concepts and their application.Any and every

developer of DB2 stored procedures should read -- and enjoy -- this book

Conversational in tone, interesting to follow, this book reads more like a novel that keeps you turning pages with avid interest rather than another dry "technical" resource. As someone who deals with SQL PL on an almost daily basis, I was pleasantly surprised to find I learned many things going through this book. The authors don't try to cover every tangent on the subject, and end up with an excellent resource with specific examples that deal with the topic it covers well: DB2 UDB SQL PL.

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