SQLAlchemy

Basics and Relationship Loading

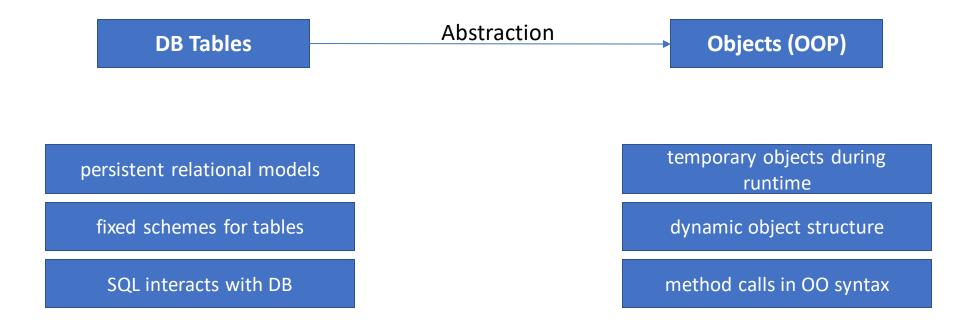
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What is SQLAlchemy?

ORM



Connect the object-oriented world with the world of databases

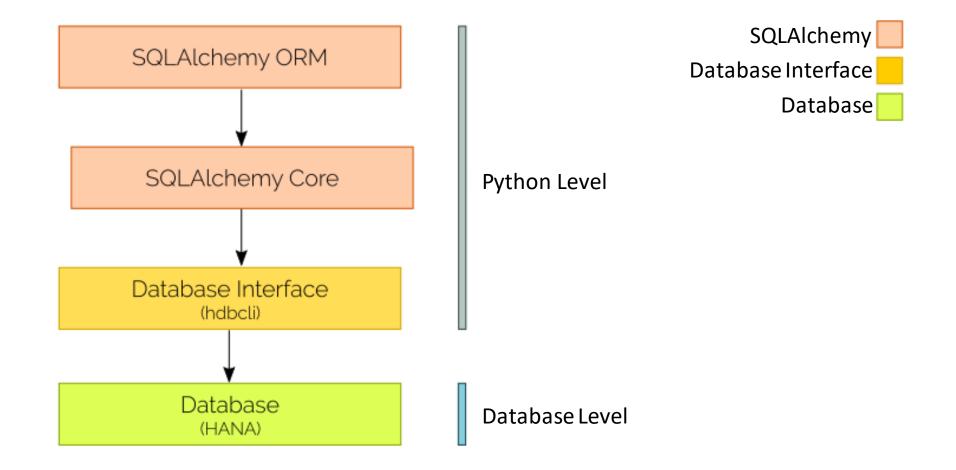
provide "OO language"

Translate OOP to SQL (vice versa)

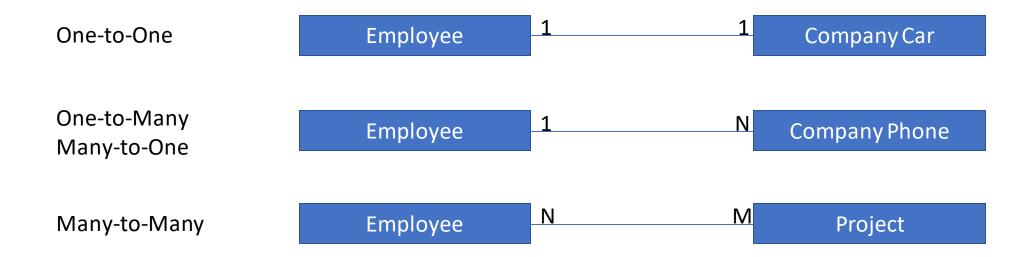
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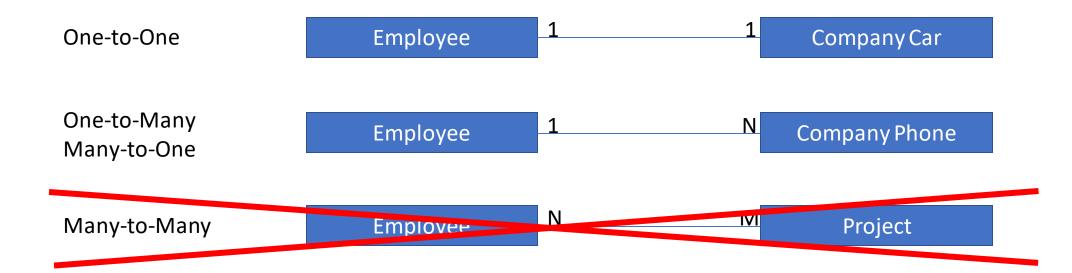
Python module containing SQLAlchemy ORM & SQLAlchemy Core



Types of Relationships

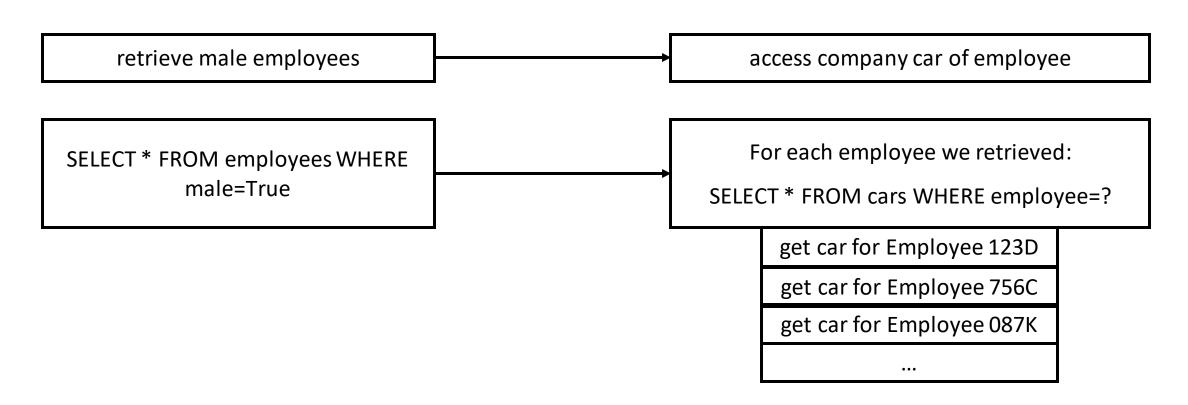


Types of Relationships



Loading Strategies – Lazy Loading

Standard loading option in SQLAlchemy = **lazy loading Lazy Loading:** retrieving information only when accessed



Loading Strategies – Eager Loading

Eager Loading: load relationships instantly

Subquery Eager Loading

retrieve male employees

select all male employees

select all company cars for all male employees

Joined Eager Loading

retrieve male employees

select all male employees **and** join with company cars

Coding Example

Basics: Table Creation, Transactions | Relationship Loading

Conclusion

Relationship Loading

- Lazy Loading vs. Eager Loading
- Subquery Loading vs. Joined Loading

Size matters

- Object mapping is slow
- Only retrieve necessary information