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std.database

(a proposed interface & implementation)

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THE RELATIONAL MODEL

Table

columns

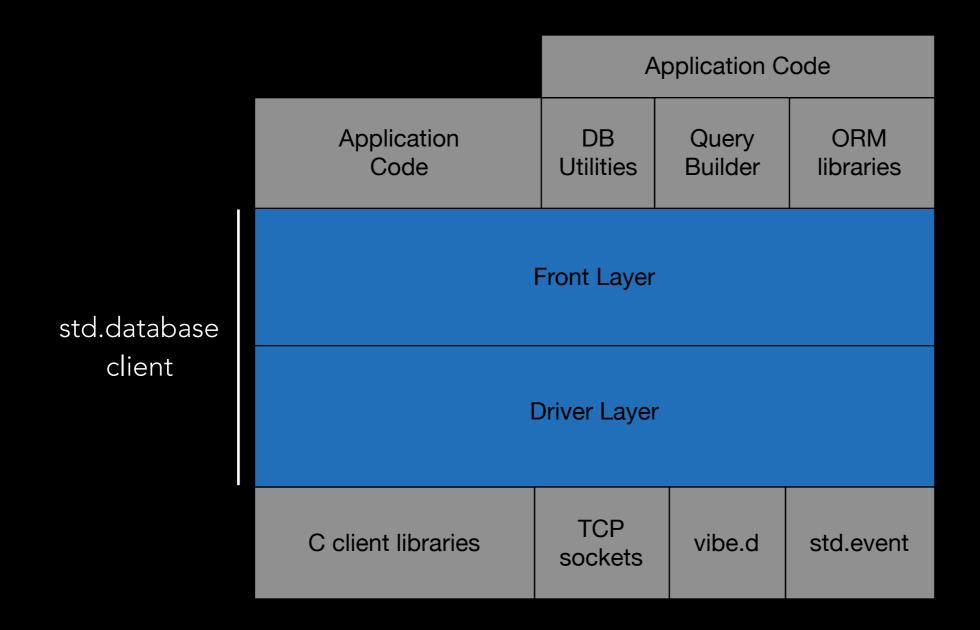
PERSON				
ID INT	LAST_NAME VARCHAR(30)	FIRST_NAME VARCHAR(30)	BIRTHDATE DATE	
1	Yokomoto	Akiko	1990-05-03	
2	Green	Marjorie	1972-02-06	
3	Hoffman	Paul	1995-07-01	

rows

SQL query

select last_name from person where birthdate <"1991-01-01"

THE CLIENT STACK



THE TYPES

Database	top level context (shared)
Connection	connection to server (per thread)
Statement	query execution, prepared statements, input binding
ColumnSet	Column container, input-range
Column	meta data for result column
RowSet	RowContainer, input-range
Row	row accessor
Field	field accessor, type conversion.

EXAMPLE

```
import std.database.mysql;
```

```
auto db = createDatabase("mysql://server/db");
db
```

- .query("select * from person")
- .rows
- .writeRows;

no explicit types

EXAMPLE IN EXPANDED FORM

```
auto db = createDatabase("mysql://server/db");
auto con = db.connection;
auto stmt = con.statement("select * from person");
auto rows = stmt.query.rows;
foreach (row; rows) {
  for(int c = 0; c != row.width; c++) {
     auto field = row[c];
    writeln("value: ", field);
  writeln;
```

EXAMPLE USING COLUMN

```
auto db = createDatabase("mysql://server/db");
auto con = db.connection;
auto stmt = con.statement("select * from person");
auto rows = stmt.query.rows;
foreach (row; rows) {
  foreach (column; columns) {
    auto field = row[column];
    writeln("name: ", column.name, ", value: ", field);
  writeln;
```

REFERENCE TYPES

auto localCustomers = getCustomers("92122");

DATABASE

connection: returns same connection per thread createConnection: new connection for same thread

CONNECTION STRING

URI based string

db.connection("mysql://server/db?username=app")

Named source

db.connection("mysql")

Custom Resolver

config file

```
"databases": [

{
    "name": "mysql",
    "type": "mysql",
    "server": "127.0.0.1",
    "database": "test",
    "username": "",
    "password": ""
},
```

CONNECTION

```
auto db = connection.database;  // parent

connection.autoCommit(false);  // for transactions
connection.begin;
connection.save;
connection.commit;
connection.rollback;
connection.isolationLevel;
```

TRANSACTIONS AND SCOPE

```
auto con1 = db.connection("server1").autoCommit(false);
auto con2 = db.connection("server2").autoCommit(false);
scope(failure) con1.rollback;
scope(failure) con2.rollback;
con1.begin.query("insert into account(id,amount) values(1,-500000)");
con2.begin.query("insert into account(id,amount) values(2, 500000)");
con1.commit;
con2.commit;
```

STATEMENT

stmt.query(3,"Robert");

Prepared Query / Input Binding

STATEMENT

```
stmt.rows // a RowSet
stmt.results // a range of RowSets
```

stmt.into

FLEXIBLE

these are equivalent

db.query("select * from t")

db.connection.query("select * from t")

db.connection.statement("select * from t").query

db.connection.statement("select * from t").rows

hard to get wrong

ROWSET

a RowSet is an InputRange

```
bool empty()
Row front()
void popFront()
```

```
row.width // number of columns in row set row.columns // range of Columns row.length // number of results (if materialized)
```

ROW

```
auto field = row[0];  // by column index
auto field = row["FIRST_NAME"];  // by column name
auto field = row["first_name"];  // case insensitive
auto field = row[column];  // by column
```

FIELD

field.toString

```
field.as!T
               // type T
field.as!int // int
field.as!long //long
field.as!string // string
field.as!Date
               // as std.datetime.Date
field.as!Variant // as std.variant.Variant (nothrow)
field.get
               // as Nullable!T (nothrow)
field.option // as Option!T (nothrow)
```

FIELD ACCESSORS

```
field.isNull // is the value null field.name // name of column field.type // type enumeration
```

SINGLE ROW QUERIES WITH into

```
string a;
int b;
Date d;
Variant d;
db
    .query("select a,b,c,d from table")
    .into(a,b,c,d);
```

ROW INDEXING

```
auto field = row["name"];  // easy but less efficient
auto field = row[1];  // efficient but less readable
```

MIXIN HELP

mixin expansion

```
auto idIndex = rows.columns["id"];
auto nameIndex = rows.columns["last_name"];
```

```
mixin(rows.scatterColumns);
foreach(row; rows) {
    auto id = row[lastNameIndex];
    auto name = row[idIndex];
}
```

ROW LEVEL into

```
auto rows =
  .query("select id.name from person")
  .rows;
int id;
string name;
foreach (row; rows) row.into(id, name);
```

MORE INTO

POLYMORPHIC INTERFACE

Direct Interface

```
import std.database.mysql;
auto db = createDatabase;
auto con = db.connection("mysql://server/db");
```

Poly Interface

```
import std.database;
auto db = createDatabase;
auto con1 = db.connection("mysql://server/db");
auto con2 = db.connection("sqlite://file.sqlite");
```

POLY: ADDING DRIVERS

import std.database;

Database.register!(std.database.sqlite.Database)(); Database.register!(std.database.mysql.Database)(); Database.register!(std.database.oracle.Database)();

HANDLE ACCESSORS

auto con = db.connection; auto mysql = connection.handle; //

// typed as MYSQL*

auto mysql = db.connection.handle; // lifetime fail



TEST SUITE

import std.database.mysql; import std.database.testsuite; alias DB = Database!DefaultPolicy; testAll!DB("mysql");

- Templated test framework
- Runs test twice: once direct, ones through poly driver
- Runs carefully in sandbox database

OUTPUT BINDING

ID	NAME
2	JOE

- A C level buffer interface
- RowSet handles internally

```
auto rs = con
.query("select * from t1");
```

int sum; foreach(r;rs) sum += r[0].as!int + r[1].as!int;

1000 row table

А	В
INT	INT
Ο	1
1	2
2	3
•••	•••
999	1000

203 ms

```
auto rs = con
  .rowArraySize(100)
  .query("select * from t1");
int sum;
foreach(r;rs)
 sum += r[0].as!int + r[1].as!int;
```

1000 row table

А	В
INT	INT
0	1
1	2
2	3
999	1000

32 ms

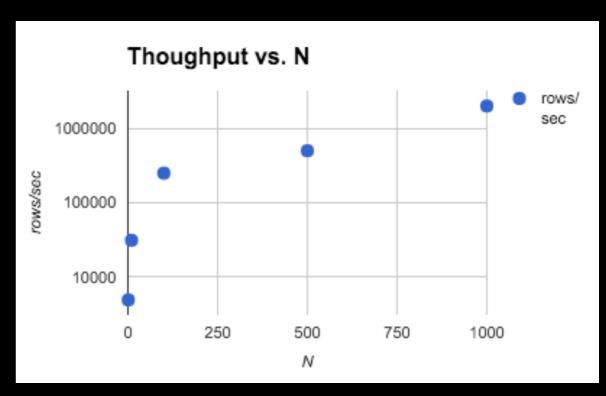
```
auto rs = con
  .rowArraySize(500)
  .query("select * from t1");
int sum;
foreach(r;rs)
 sum += r[0].as!int + r[1].as!int;
```

1000 row table

А	В
INT	INT
0	1
1	2
2	3
•••	•••
999	1000

2 ms

```
auto rs = con
.rowArraySize(1000)
.query("select * from t1");
```



```
int sum;
foreach(r;rs)
  sum += r[0].as!int + r[1].as!int;
```

601 μs 2M rows / sec 400X improvement

SKIP PARAMETERS

 Optional driver level binding mode that "stripes" bind arrays into contiguous memory

DETACHED ROWSETS

- RowSet is detachable when all rows are resident
- Detachable RowSets detach from connection
- RowSet upgraded to random-access-range
- No additional copying
- RowSet caching enabler

INPUT BINDING / PREPARED QUERY

```
auto db = createDatabase("mysql://server/db")
auto stmt = db
.query("insert into table(id, name) values(?,?)");
```

foreach(d; data) stmt.query(d.id, d.name);

INPUT ARRAY BINDING

```
auto db = createDatabase("mysql://server/db")
auto stmt = db
    .rowArraySize(1000)
    .query("insert into table(id, name) values(?,?)");
foreach(d; data) stmt.query(d.id, d.name);
```

huge performance win

TYPE CONVERSION

- Two layers (driver & front end)
- Native driver binding is default

POLICIES

```
struct MyPolicy {...}
auto db = Database!MyPolicy;
```

- Custom allocators
- Pluggable connection pool
- assert on release build for cross/illegal type conversions
- Scoped types (no RC)
- Omit handle accessors

UTILITY EXAMPLE: JOIN

```
inventory
auto inventory = db.createConnection
    .query("select id,* inventory").rows;
auto orders = db.createConnection
    .query("select * from orders order by id").rows;
auto parts = db.createConnection
    .query("select * from parts order by id").rows;
auto joinedRows = naturalJoin(inventory, orders, parts);
foreach(r; joinedRows) {
  int id, orderld, Partld;
  inventory.into(id,...);
  orders.into(orderId,...);
  parts.into(partId,...);
```

an approach to the "multiple hierarchies" problem

IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS



TWO LAYER DESIGN

Front End

- Handles reference counting details for all types
- Defines all interface functions
- Consolidates calls to the driver
- Manages state
- Connection pooling

Driver

Implement driver specific details

DRIVER INTERFACE

```
module std.database.mysql.database;
```

```
alias Database(Policy) = BasicDatabase!(Driver!Policy,Policy);
```

auto createDatabase()() {return Database!DefaultPolicy();}

```
struct Driver(Policy) {
   struct Database {...}
   struct Connection {...}
   struct Statement {...}
   struct Result {...}
}
```

Type name correspondence between layers

DRIVER INTERFACE

```
struct Driver(Policy) {
  struct Database {...}
  struct Connection {
     this(Database *db, Source src, Allocator *a) {...}
  struct Statement {
     this (Connection *con, string sql, Allocator *a) \{...\}
  struct Result {
     this(Statement *stmt, Allocator *a) {...}
```

POLY DRIVER: VTABLE

```
struct StmtVTable {
  void[] function(void*, string sql) create;
  void function(void*) destroy;
  void function(void* stmt) query;
struct StmtGenerate(Driver) {
  static auto create(void* con, string sql) {...}
  static void destroy(void* stmt) {...}
  static void query(void* stmt) {toTypedPtr!Statement(stmt).query;}
table = StmtGenerate!Driver.vtable;
void* stmt;
void query() {vtable.query(stmt);}
```

```
POLY DRIVER: VARIADIC QUERY DISPATCH
struct Statement {
  void* stmt;
  StmtVtable* vtable;
  this(Connection* con, string sql) {...}
  void query() {
    vtable.query(stmt, args);
                                   prepared version
  void query(A...) (A args) {
    vtable.query(stmt, args);
                                      problem
```

CHALLENGE



Need to transport arguments from one templates query call to another at *run time*

Run time — Compile Time

CHALLENGE #2



Avoid requiring the drivers to handle Variant arguments

APPROACH

alias V = Variant;

stmt.query("joe", Date(2015,2,1), 42) Front End Array!V V!int V!string V!Date (V!string,V!int,V!Date) callVariadic unpackVariants (string, int, Date) stmt.query("joe", Date(2015,2,1), 42) Driver

PACK INTO VARIANT ARRAY

```
void query(A...) (A args) {
  auto a = Array! Variant(args);
   bindArgs.reserve(a.length);
  foreach(arg; args) a \sim = Variant(arg);
  driver.stmtVtable.variadicQuery(stmt, a);
static void variadicQuery(void[] stmt, ref BindArgs a) {
  auto s = toTypedPtr!Statement(stmt);
  callVariadic!F(a, s);
```

ARRAY TO VARIADIC CALL

```
static void callVariadic(alias F,S,A...) (ref S s, A a) {
  switch (s.length) {
     case 0: break;
     case 1: F(a,s[0]); break;
     case 2: F(a,s[0],s[1]); break;
     case 3: F(a,s[0],s[1],s[2]); break;
     case 4: F(a,s[0],s[1],s[2],s[3]); break;
     case 5: F(a,s[0],s[1],s[2],s[3],s[4]); break;
     default: throw new Exception("arg overload");
```

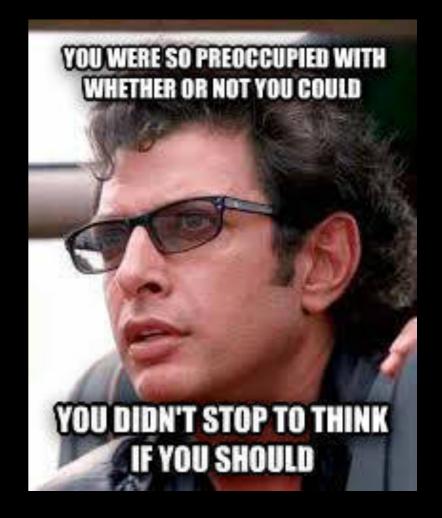
UNPACK VARIANTS

```
static void unpackVariants(alias F, int i=0, A...)(A a) {
  alias Types = AliasSeq!(byte, ubyte, string, char, dchar, int, uint, long, ulong, Date);
  static void call(int i, T, A...)(T v, A a) {
     unpackVariants!(F,i+1)(a[0..i], v, a[(i+1)..$]);
                                           a[0..i]
                                                                           a[(i+1)..\$]
  static if (i == a.length) {
                                                                              V!Date
                                             int
                                                               int
     F(a);
  } else {
     foreach(T; Types) {
       if (a[i].convertsTo!T) {
          call!i(a[i].get!T,a);
          return;
     throw new Exception("unknown type: " ~ a[i].type.toString);
```



REALITY CHECK

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Drivers *must* implement an additional call two options:

query(ref Array!Variant args) query(Args..)(A.. args)

// accept variants

Fiber based Driver Approaches

- 1) Modify socket calls in driver source, if available, to use a D (or vibe.d) non-blocking socket layer.
- 2) Implement from scratch a non-blocking driver using a known wire protocol
- 3) Adapt an existing non-blocking interface for use with vibe.d / std.event.

FIBER ASYNC QUERY EXAMPLE

```
auto descriptor = con.descriptor();
 auto event = createFileDescriptorEvent(
   descriptor, FileDescriptorEvent.Trigger.any);
 nonBlockingQuery(sql);
 while (true) {
    if (poll) {
      bool complete = readData;
      if (complete) break;
    event.wait(FileDescriptorEvent.Trigger.read);
```

vibe.d calls async driver calls

NON-BLOCKING MYSQL CLIENT



"We're Gonna Need A Bigger Database"

SUPPORTED DATABASES

current support (WIP)













Up next







UPCOMING WORK

- Fiber based drivers for Postgres & Webscalesql
- Asynchronous push models (Observables)
- Query builder
- Schema metadata
- Callable statements
- Blob support
- Operation timing
- Simulated binding (freetds)
- Quote escaping
- Expose more features of underlying drivers
- Multiple result support
- NoSql support
- Test suite improvement
- Utilities
- More...

GETTING STARTED (OSX)

```
$ brew install dmd dub mysql
$ mkdir -p ~/src/demo && cd ~/src/demo
```

```
dub.json

"name": "demo",

"libs" : ["mysqlclient"],

"dependencies": {"dstddb":"*"},

"targetType": "executable",

"versions": ["StdLoggerDisableLogging"]
}
```

demo.d

```
import std.database.mysql;
import std.database.util;
void main() {
    auto db = createDatabase("mysql://127.0.0.1/test");
    db.query("select * from person").rows.writeRows;
}
```

\$ dub

QUESTIONS

https://github.com/cruisercoder/dstddb

DUB: dstddb