

Step by Step Guide to the Bicycle Workshop Application

As Learning by Doing is the most effective way to get started with a new framework, this document will guide you through the key features of the [CUBA Platform](#) framework and show how you can accelerate development of enterprise applications, taking bicycle workshop system as an example.

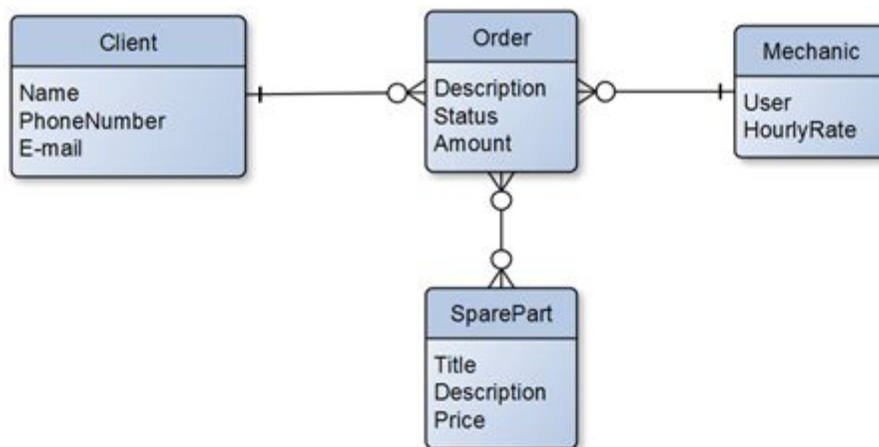
Estimated time to complete this lab is 2 hours¹.

1 FUNCTIONAL SPECIFICATION

The application should meet the following requirements:

1. Store customers with their name, mobile phone and email
2. Record information about orders: price for repair and time spent by mechanic
3. Keep track of spare parts in stock
4. Automatically calculate price based on spare parts used and time elapsed
5. Control security permissions for screens, CRUD operations and records' attributes
6. Audit of critical data changes
7. API for a mobile client to place an order

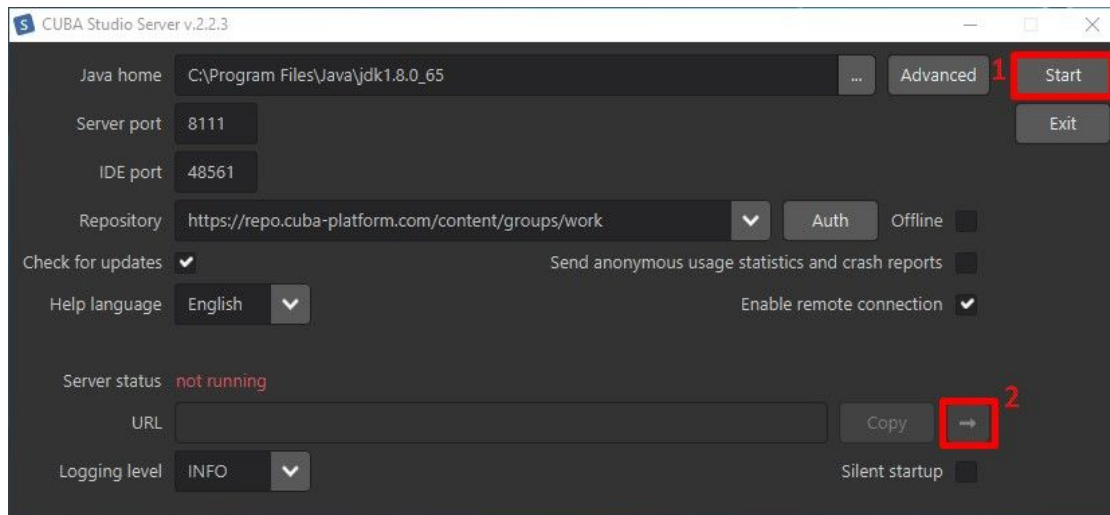
Data model is shown in the picture below:



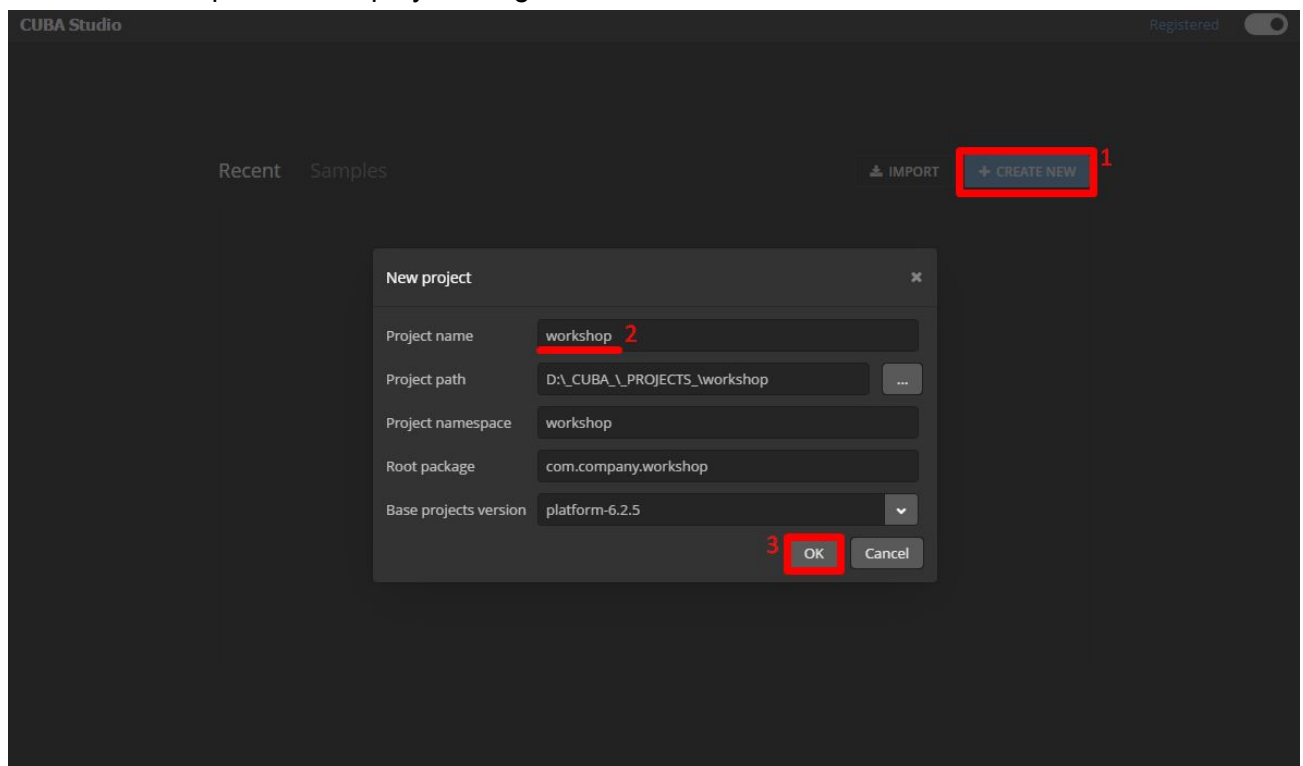
¹ The estimation is given for developers, who have general (basic) knowledge of Java SE.

2 CREATING A NEW PROJECT

1. Start the CUBA Studio server and open the Studio in your browser as it is shown in the picture below:



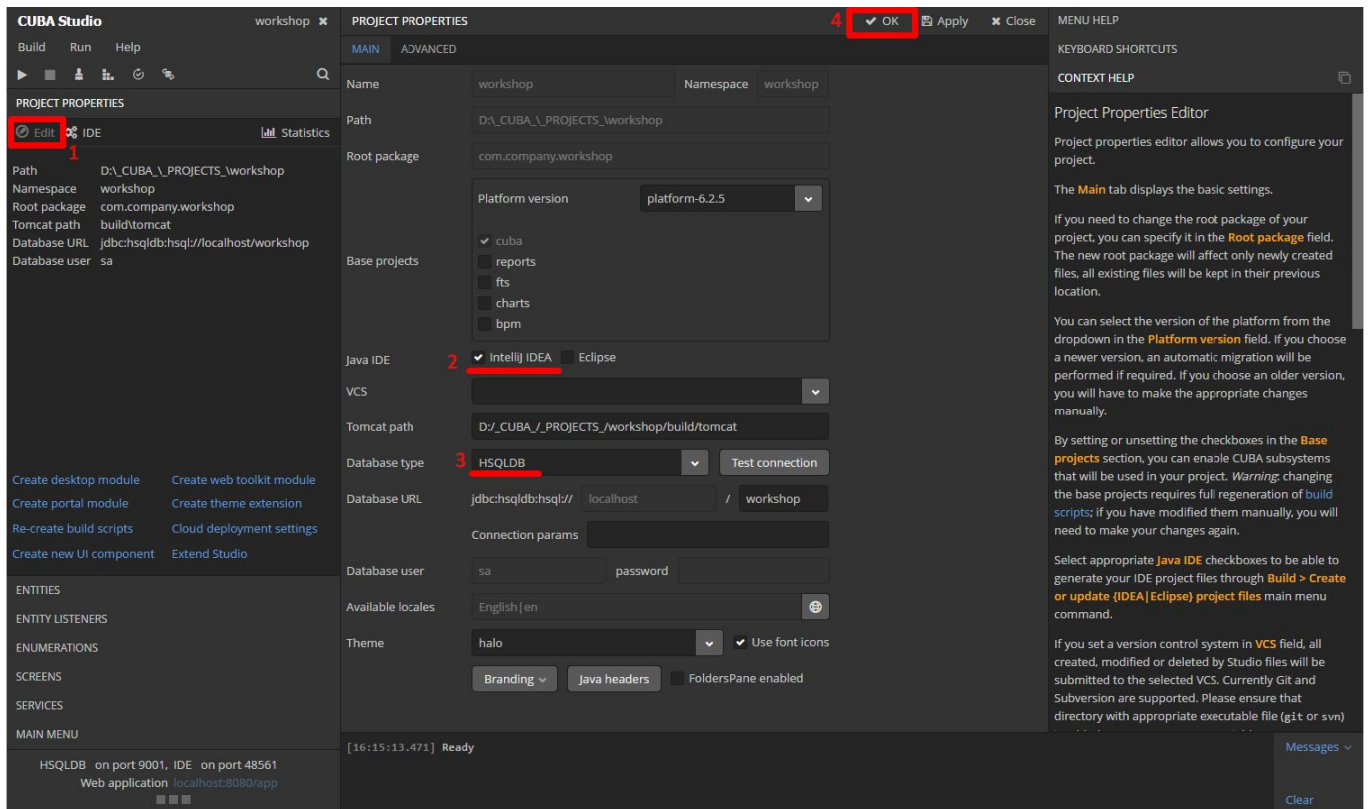
2. After completing the previous step you can find the CUBA Studio up and running in your browser on the <http://localhost:8111/studio/> URL. To create a new project:
 - 2.1. Click **Create New** on welcome screen
 - 2.2. Fill up the **Project name** field: **workshop**
 - 2.3. Complete the step by clicking **OK**



3. Now we will set up global properties of the project. Press **Edit** on the **Project Properties** panel and check the following parameters:
 - 3.1. **Java IDE: IntelliJ IDEA** to be checked

3.2. Database type: **HSQL** to be selected

3.3. Press **OK**

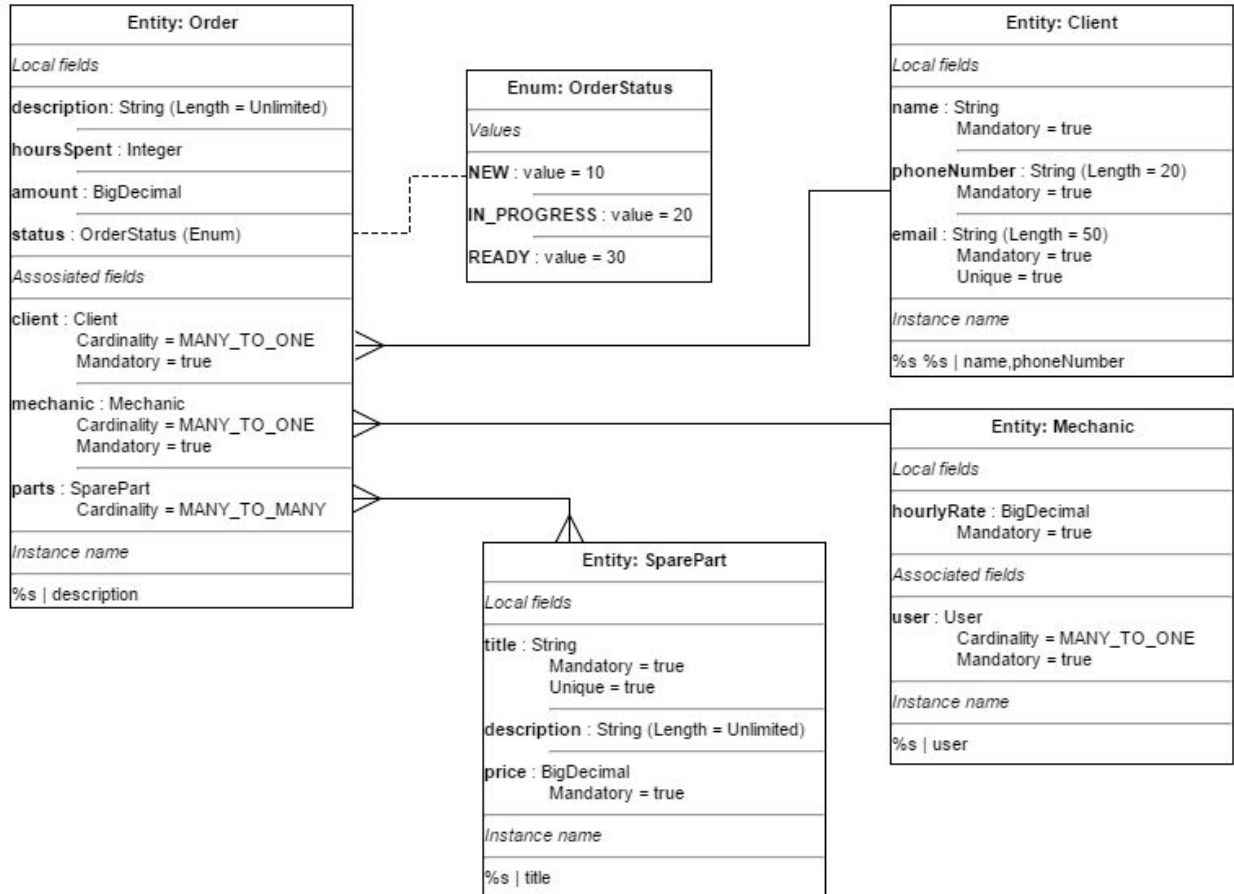


Now our project is properly configured and everything is ready to start working on the data model.

3 DEFINING DATA MODEL AND CREATING THE DATABASE

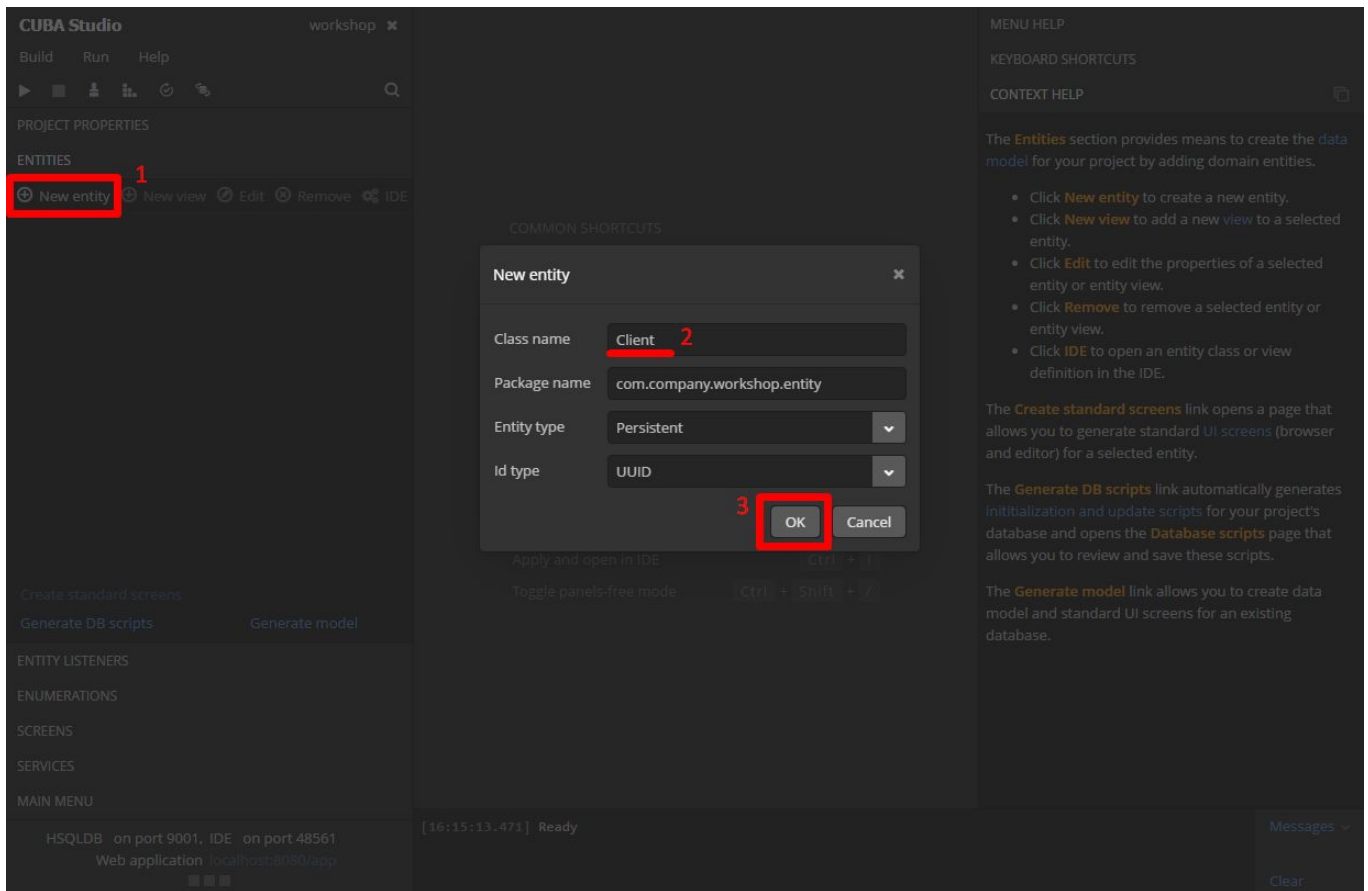
According to the ER diagram we will create 4 entities: **Client**, **Mechanic**, **SparePart** and **Order** and one enumeration **OrderStatus**.

Data Model

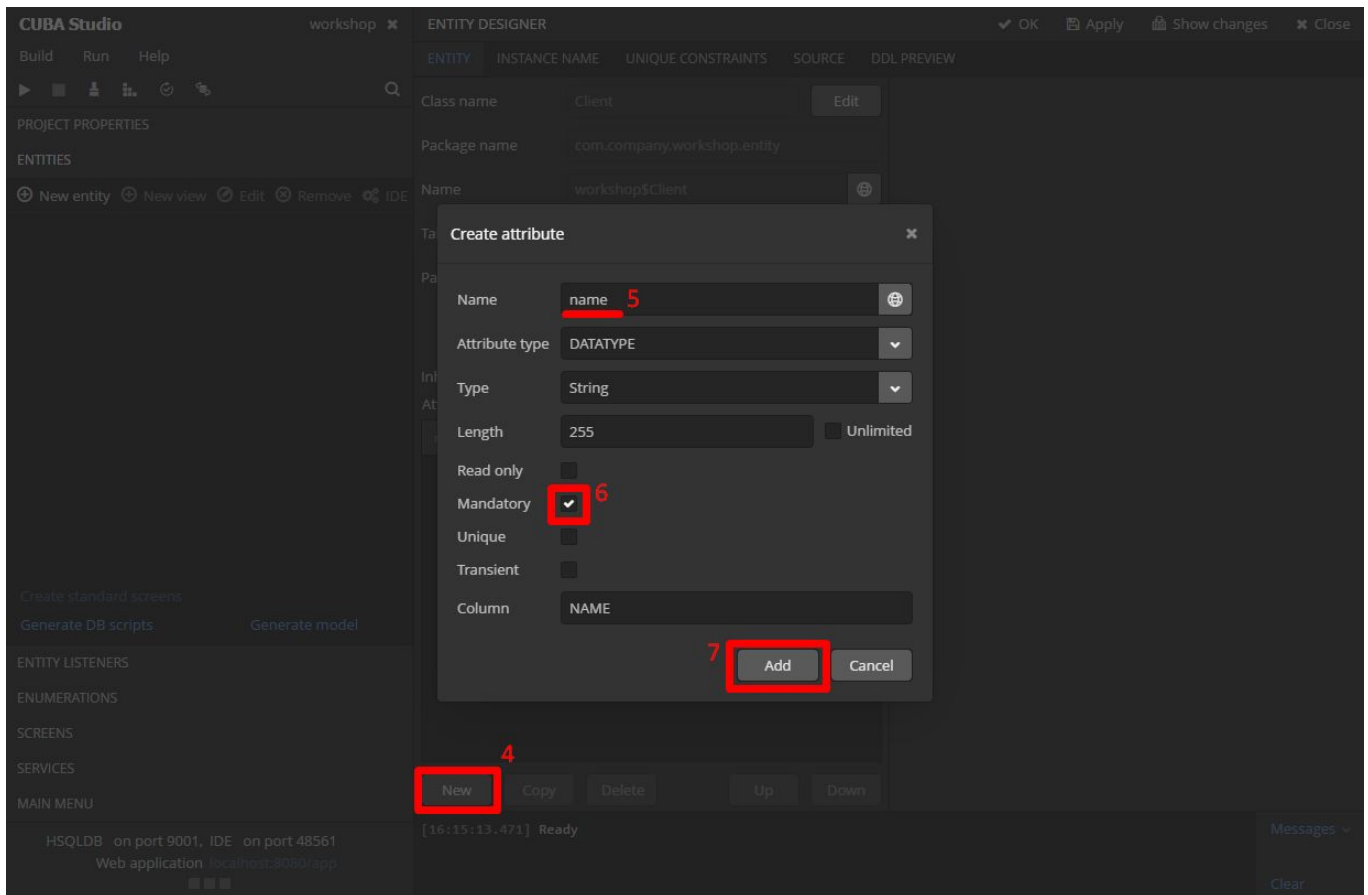


3.1 Client Entity

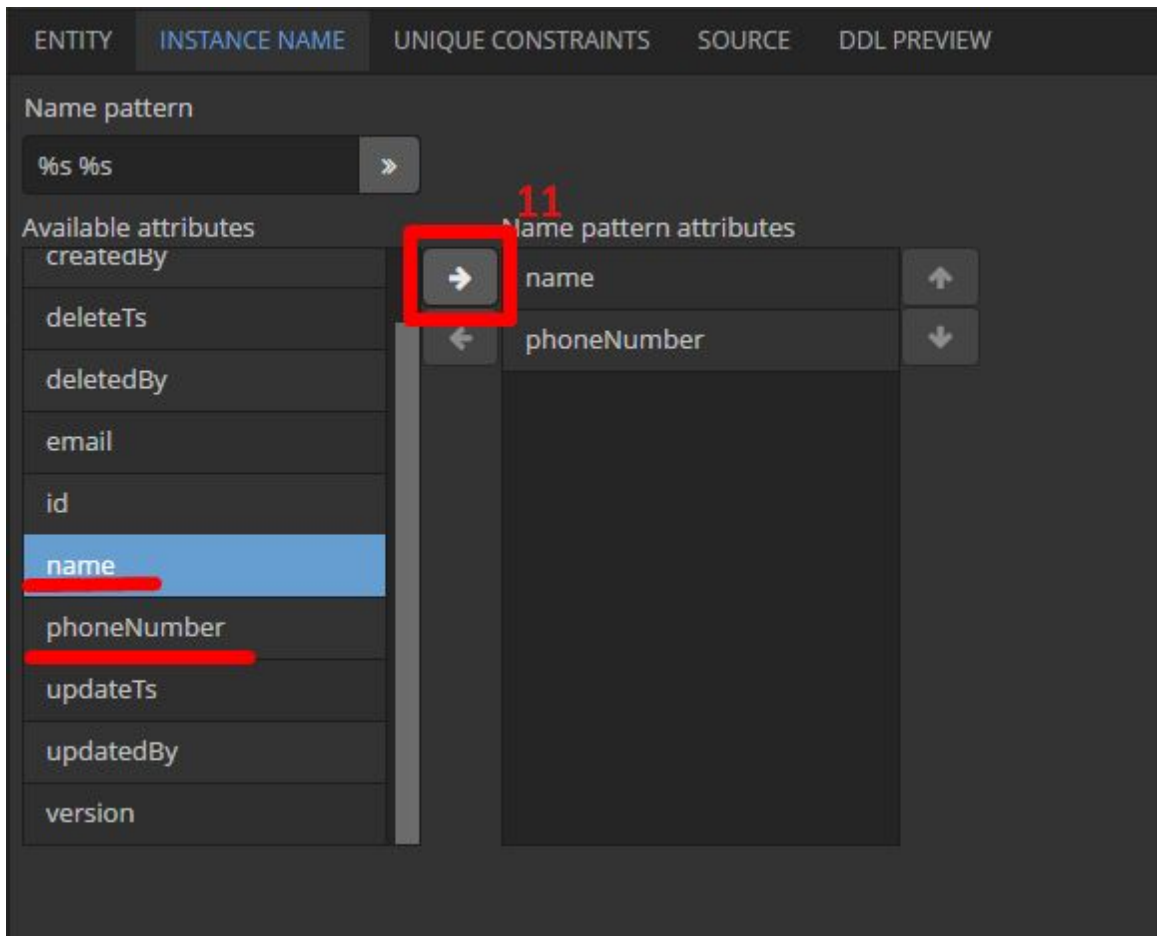
1. Open the **Entities** section of the left hand side navigation panel and click **New entity**
2. Set **Class name:** **Client**
3. Click **OK**



4. Click the **New** button under the **Attributes** table
5. Enter **Name: name**
6. Select the **Mandatory** checkbox
7. Click **Add**



8. Repeat steps 4-7 to create **phoneNumber** as a **mandatory string** attribute with the **length of 20** and flagged as **unique**
9. Repeat steps 4-7 to create **email** as a **mandatory string** attribute with the **length of 50** and flagged as **unique**
10. Go to the **Instance name** tab of the entity designer screen. On this tab you can specify the default string representation of an entity to be shown in tables, dropdowns, etc.
11. Select **name** and **phoneNumber** fields one by one



12. Clicking the **Source** and **DDL Preview** tabs you can find your Entity bean implementation annotated with the *javax.persistence* annotations and SQL script for creating the corresponding table
13. Click **OK** in the right-top corner of the entity designer screen to save the entity

3.2 Mechanic entity

1. Create a **New entity** with **Class name:** ***Mechanic*** and click **OK**
2. Click the **New** button under the **Attributes** table
3. Fill up the **Create attribute** form as following and click **OK**
Name: *user*
Attribute type: *Association*
Type: *User [sec\$User]*
Cardinality: *MANY_TO_ONE*

Mandatory: Yes

Create attribute

Name: user

Attribute type: ASSOCIATION

Type: User [sec\$User]

Cardinality: MANY_TO_ONE

Read only: ☐

Mandatory: ☒

Unique: ☐

Transient: ☐

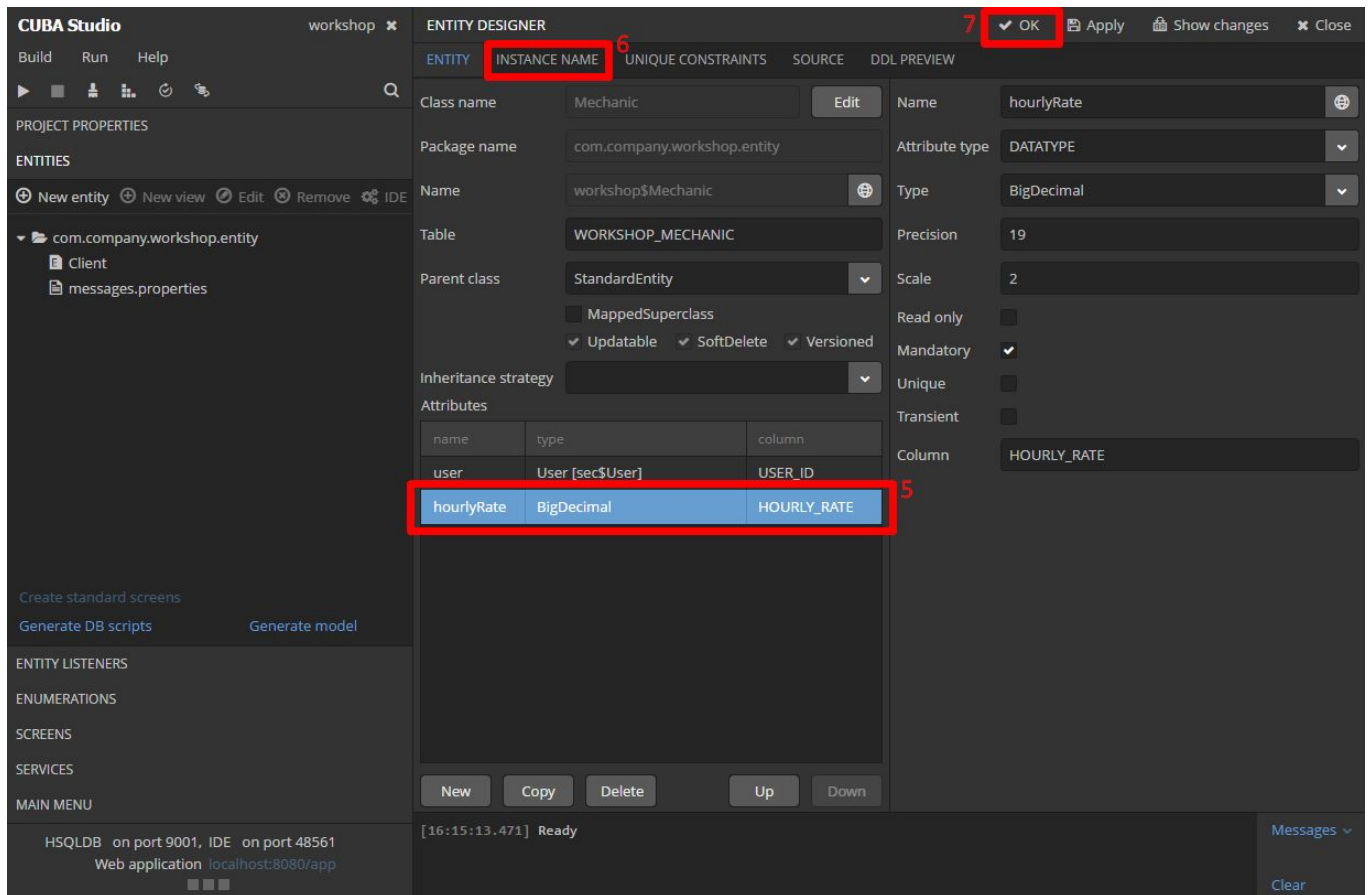
On delete:

On delete inverse:

Column: USER_ID

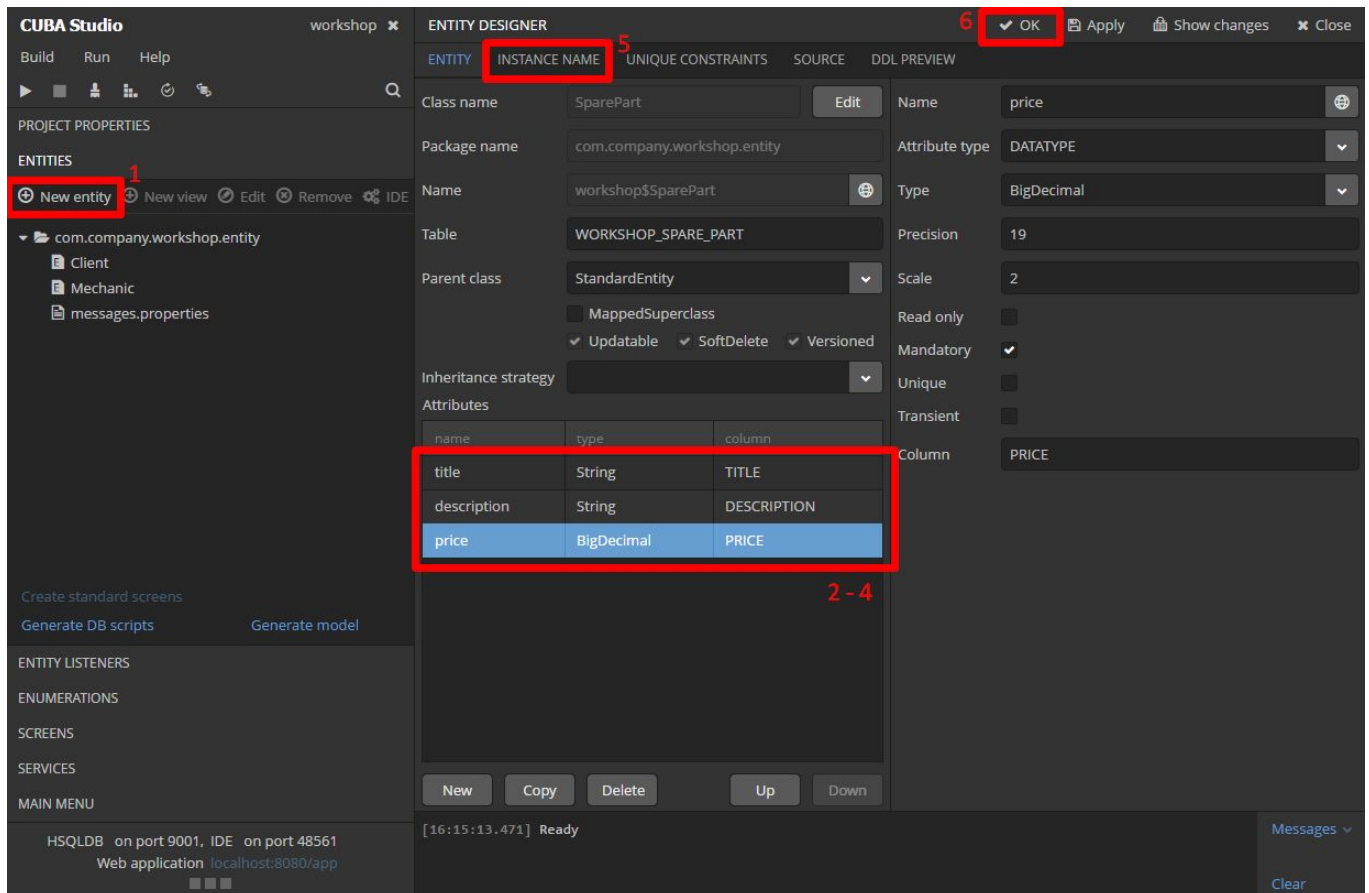
Add Cancel

4. Create one more attribute
5. Apply the following settings and click **Add**:
Name: *hourlyRate*
Type: *BigDecimal*
Mandatory: Yes
6. Move to the **Instance name** tab and select *user* as an instance name for Mechanic
7. Check that that your *Mechanic* entity corresponds to the the picture below and click **OK**



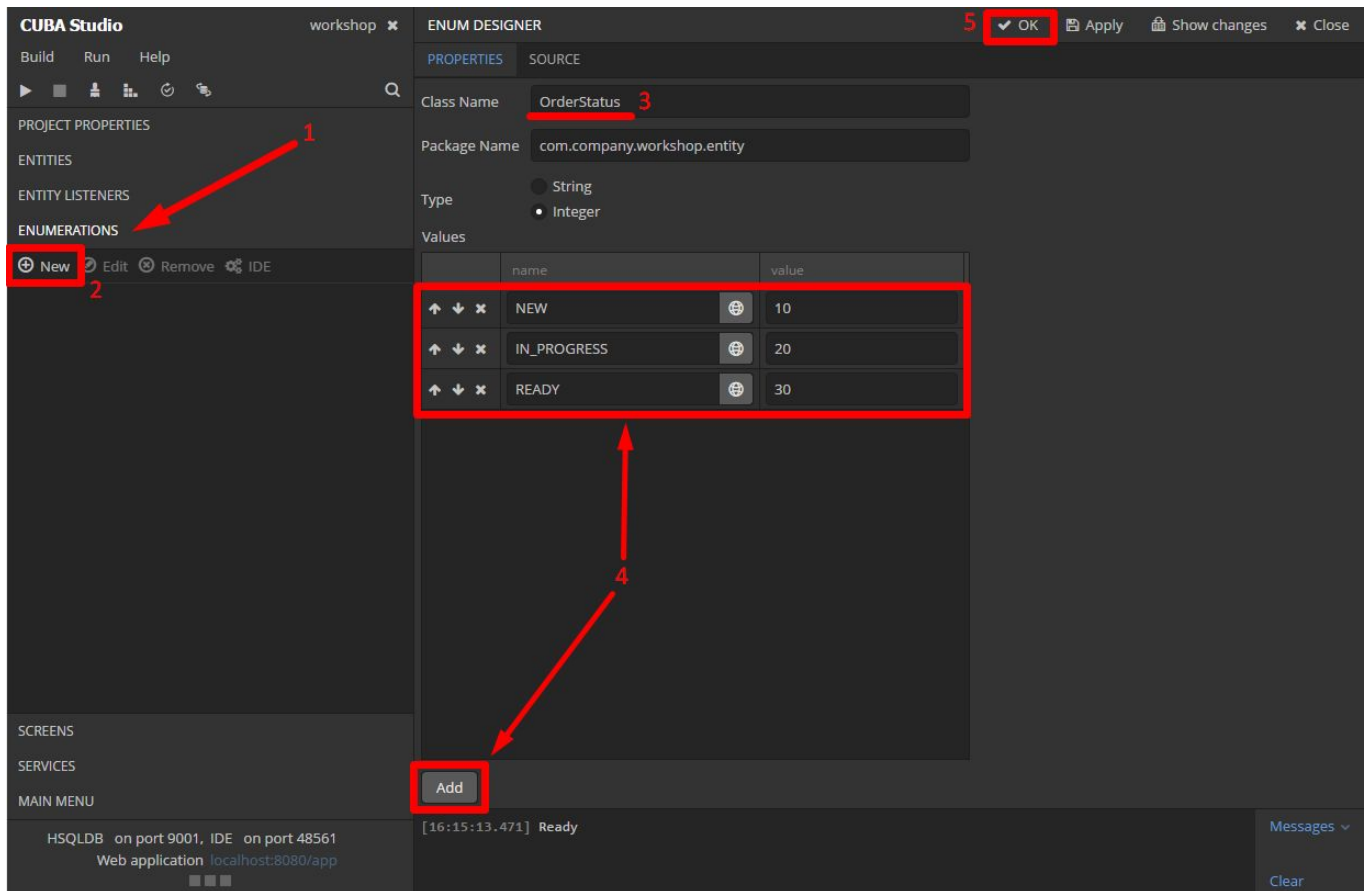
3.3 SparePart Entity

1. Create a **New entity** with **Class name: SparePart**
2. Add an attribute
Name: title
Type: String
Mandatory: Yes
Unique: Yes
3. Add an attribute
Name: description
Type: String
Length: Unlimited
4. Add an attribute
Name: price
Type: BigDecimal
Mandatory: Yes
5. Go to the **Instance name** tab and select the **title** attribute as the entity instance name
6. Check that that your *SparePart* entity corresponds to the the picture below and click **OK**



3.4 OrderStatus Enum

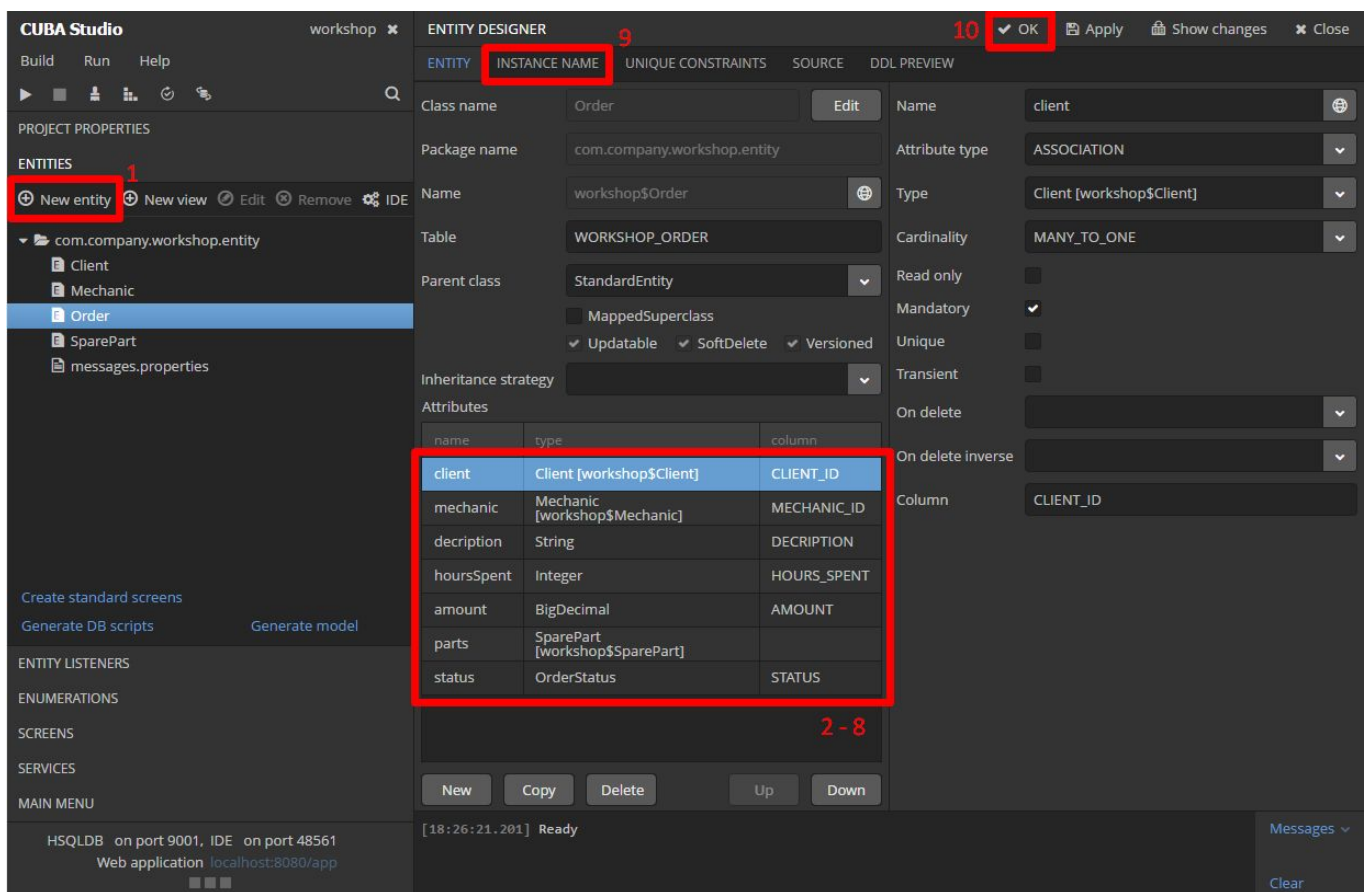
1. Go to the **Enumerations** section in the left hand side navigation panel
2. Click **New**
3. Enter **Class name: *OrderStatus***
4. Add values:
NEW 10
IN_PROGRESS 20
READY 30
5. Check that that your *OrderStatus* enum corresponds to the the picture below and click **OK**



3.5 Order Entity

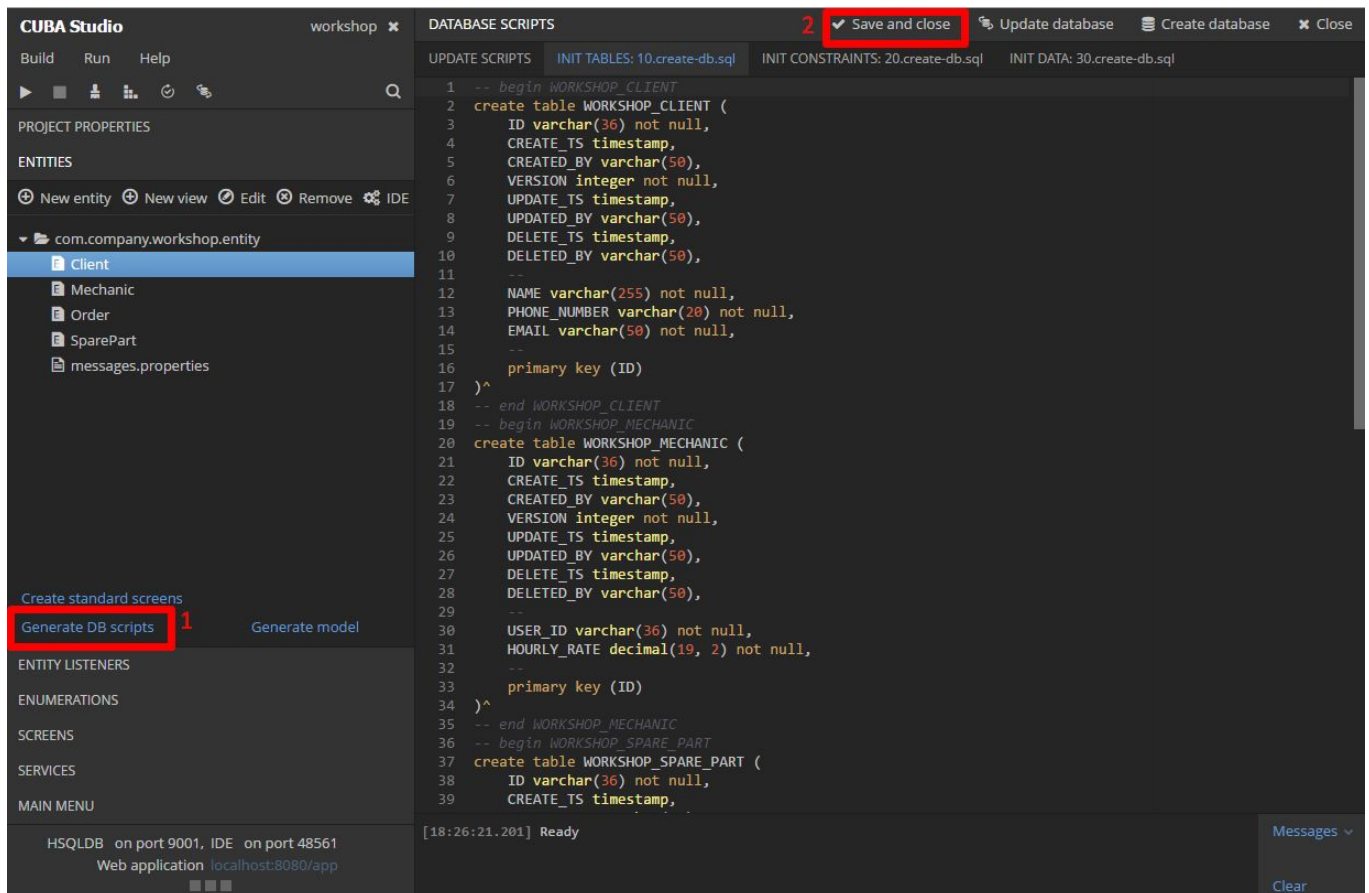
1. Create a **New entity** with **Class name: Order**
2. Add an attribute
Name: client
Attribute type: ASSOCIATION
Type: Client
Cardinality: MANY_TO_ONE
Mandatory: Yes
3. Add an attribute
Name: mechanic
Attribute type: ASSOCIATION
Type: Mechanic
Cardinality: MANY_TO_ONE
Mandatory: Yes
4. Add an attribute
Name: description
Type: String
Length: Unlimited
5. Add an attribute
Name: hoursSpent
Type: Integer

6. Add an attribute
Name: *amount*
Type: *BigDecimal*
7. Add an attribute
Name: *parts*
Attribute type: *ASSOCIATION*
Type: *SparePart*
Cardinality: *MANY_TO_MANY*
The Studio will offer to create an inverse attribute - click **No**
8. Add an attribute
Name: *status*
Attribute type: *Enum*
Type: *OrderStatus*
9. Set the **Instance name** for the *Order* entity to its **description** attribute
10. Check that that your *Order* entity corresponds to the the picture below and click **OK**

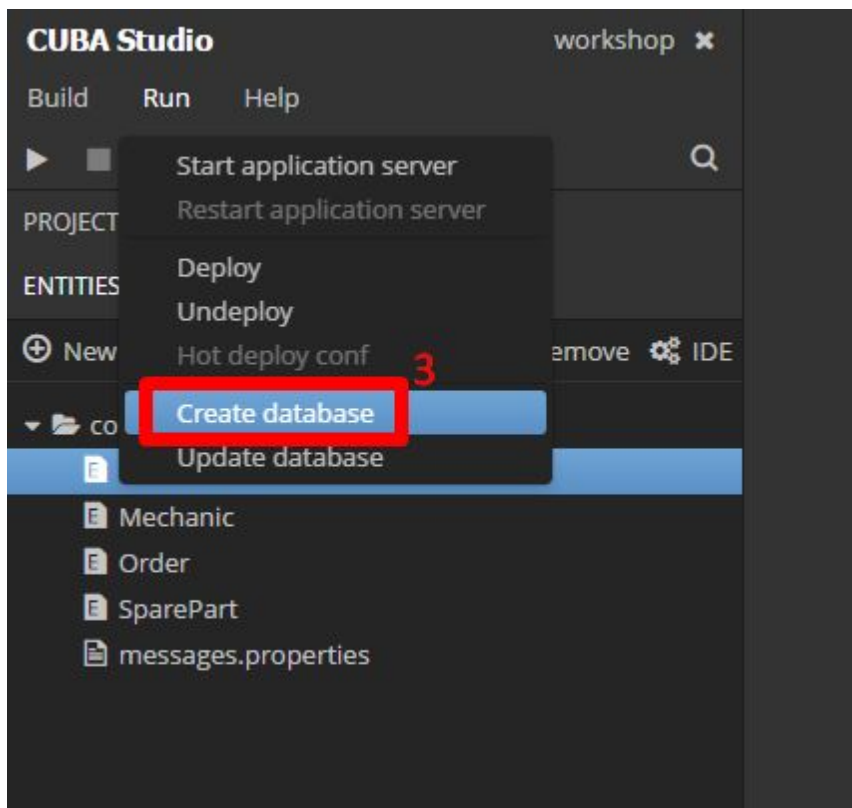


3.6 Generate DB Scripts and Create the Database

1. Click the **Generate DB scripts** link In the bottom of the **Entities** section; the CUBA Studio will generate a script to create tables and constraints
2. Click **Save and close** and the Studio will save the scripts into a special directory of our project, so we will be able to access them if needed



3. Invoke the **Run — Create database** action from the menu to create a database



4. The CUBA Studio warns us that the old DB will be deleted, click **OK**

4 AUTO-GENERATING CRUD UI

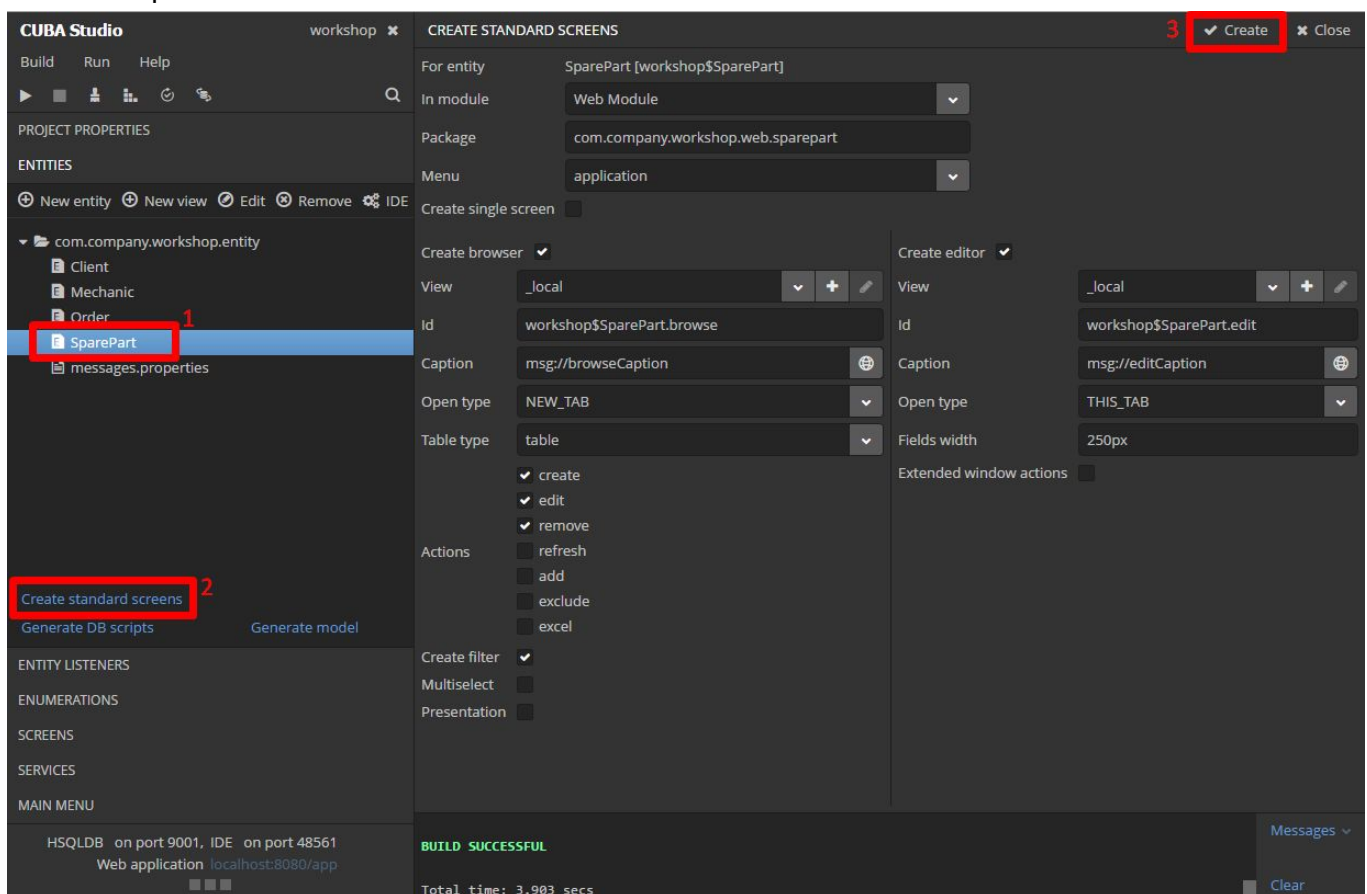
Under CRUD or standard UI we understand screens that allow you to browse the list of records (browser) and create/edit one record (editor).

4.1 SparePart CRUD UI

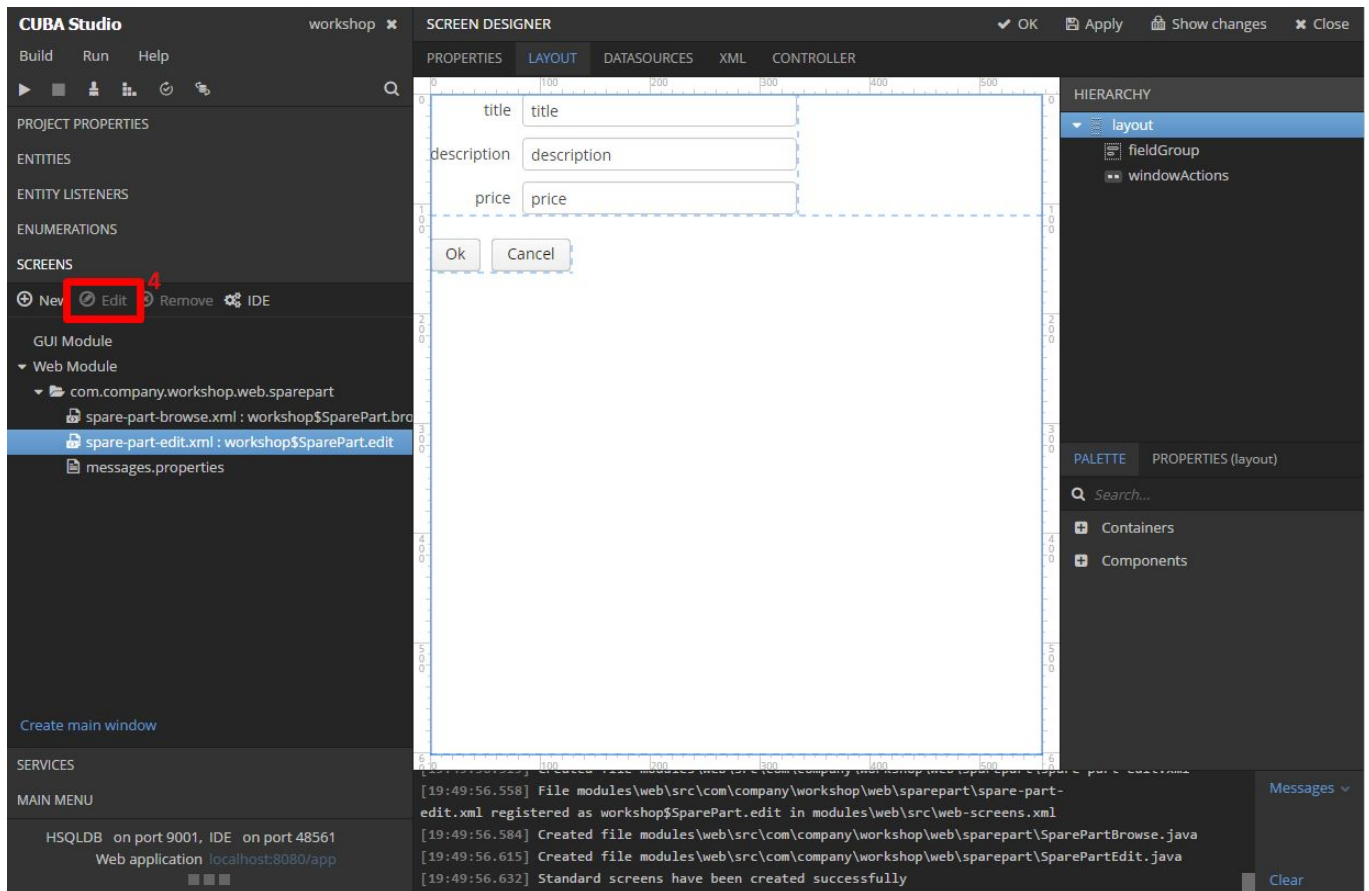
1. Open the **Entities** section of the left hand side navigation panel and select the **SparePart** entity
2. Click on the **Create standard screens** link.

Create standard screens dialog appears. It allows you to specify where to place the screens in the project, what menu item to be used to access the browser screen, should it be a single combined screen for all operations or two separate screens to read the list and create, update and delete an instance

3. Keep the default values and click **Create**

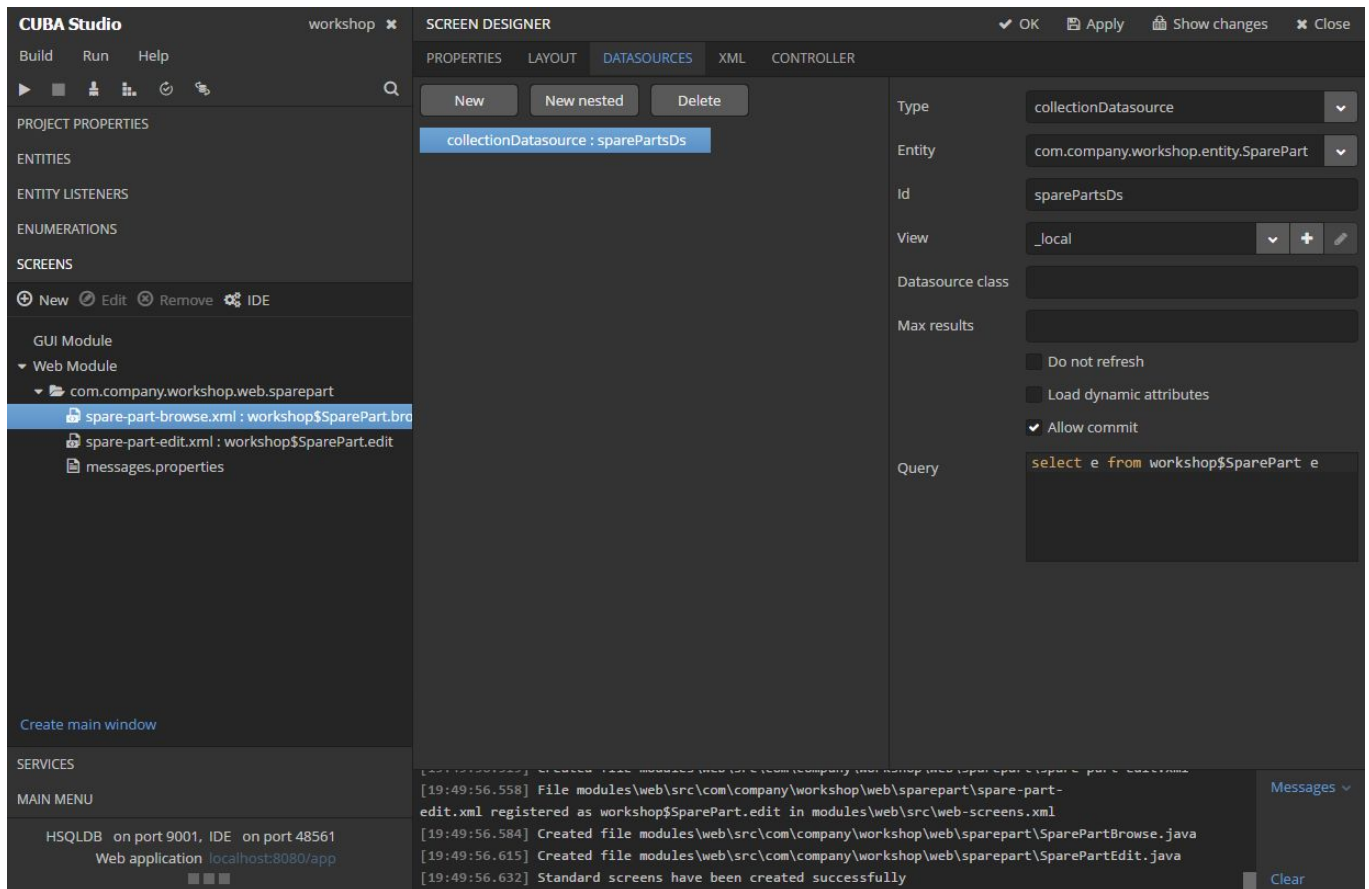


4. The studio has generated separate screens: browser and editor. You can pick one of them and click **Edit** in the **Screens** section of the navigation panel. Screen designer has WYSIWYG editor, XML and Controller tab to be able to see screen declaration and its Java controller.



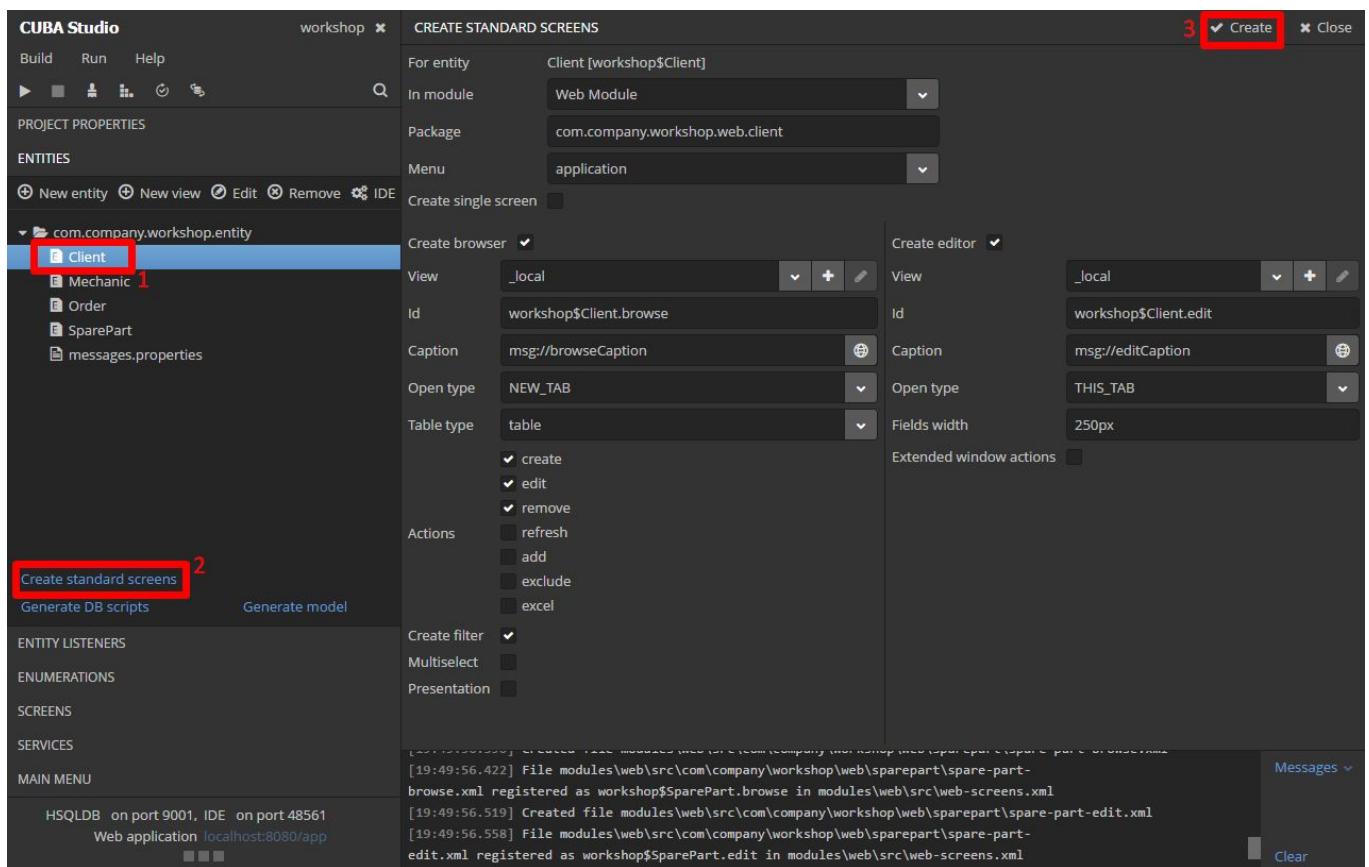
- Visual components that tightly work with data (tables, dropdowns, etc) are data-aware and connect to the database through datasources. Taking SparePart browser as an example, let's have a look at data binding. Select the **sparepart-browse.xml** screen, click **Edit** and open the **Datasources** tab.

Datasources use standard JPQL queries to load data. In our example the result list of this query will be automatically shown in the main table of the screen, as **sparePartsDs** is set to the datasource property of the table.



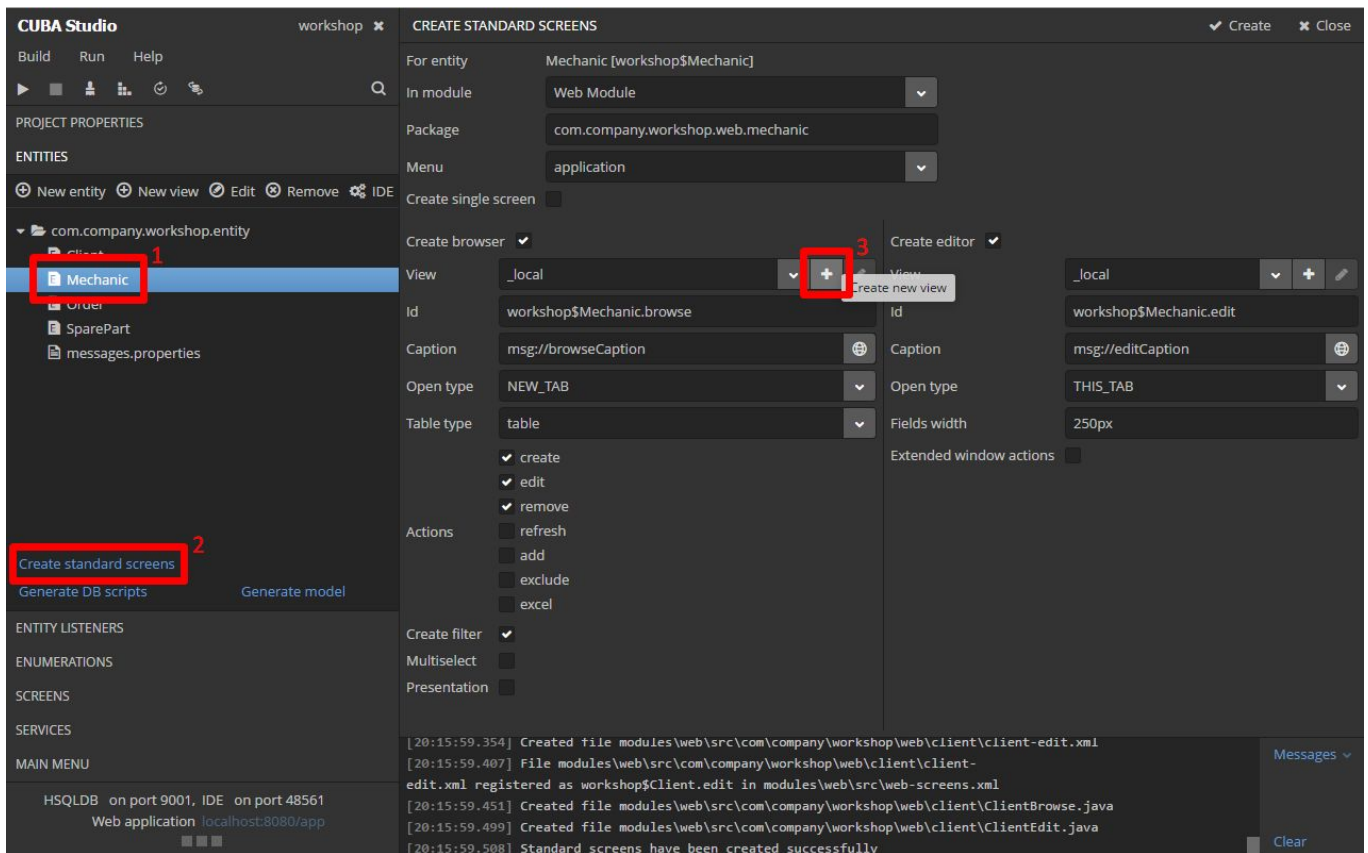
4.2 Client CRUD UI

1. Open the **Entities** section of the navigation panel and select the **Client** entity
2. Click **Create standard screens**
3. Click **Create**

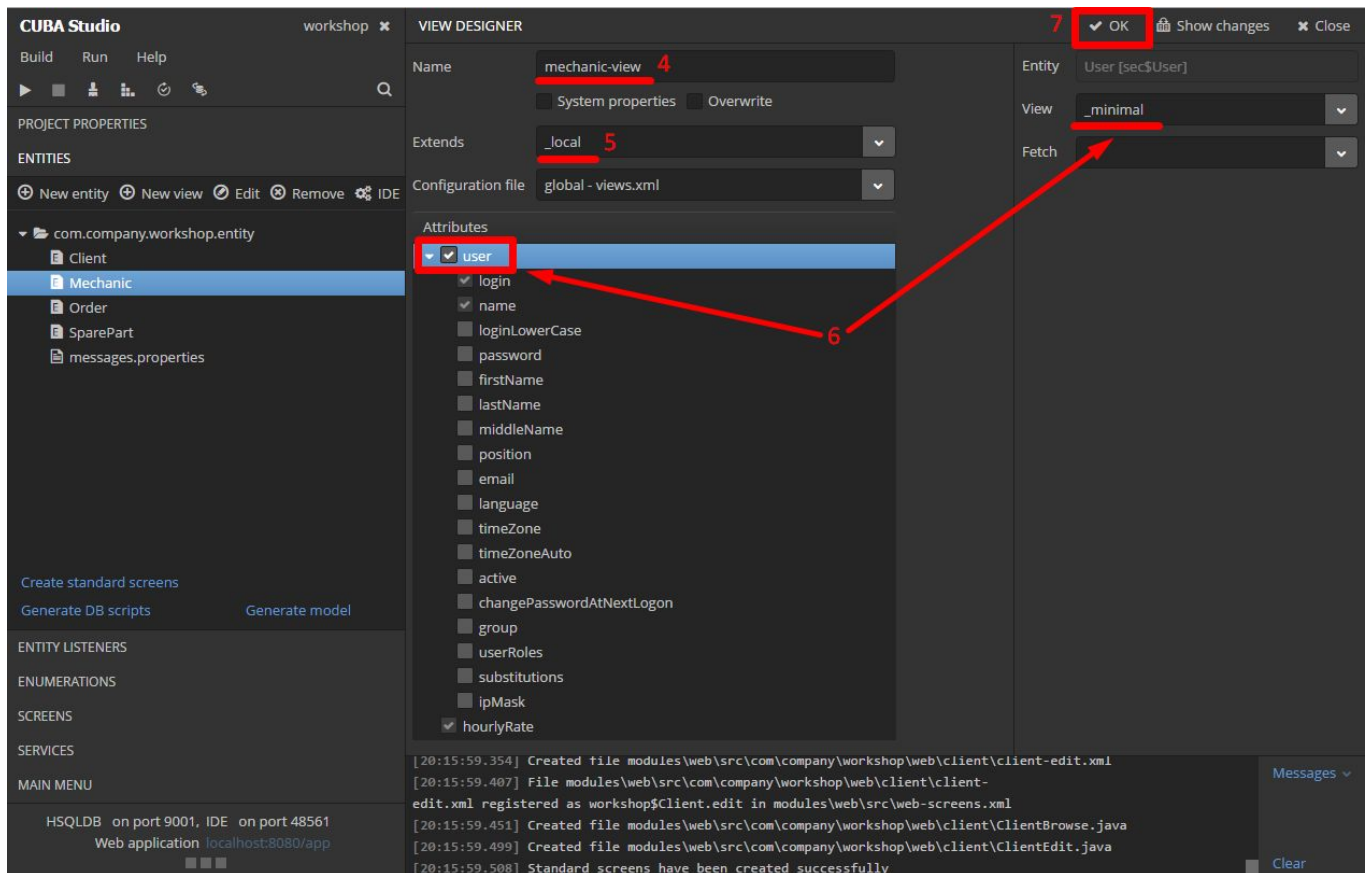


4.3 Mechanic CRUD UI

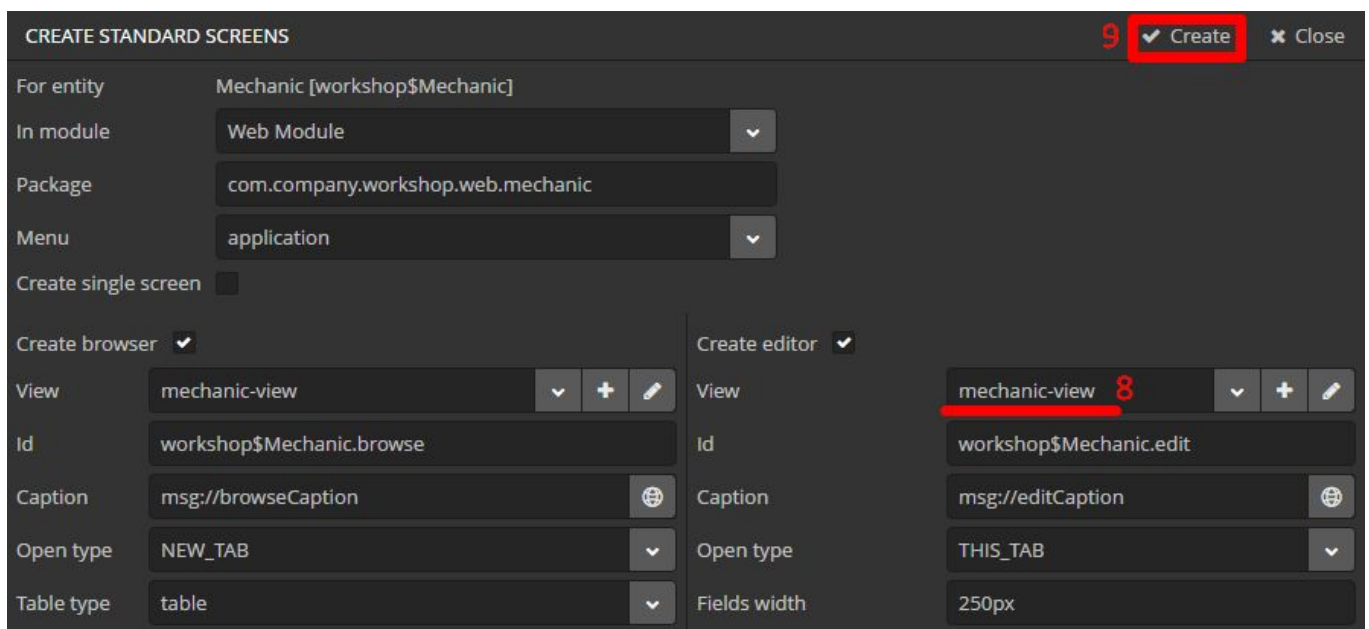
1. Open the **Entities** section of the navigation panel and select the **Mechanic** entity
2. Click **Create standard screens**
3. Mechanic differs from the entities we have just created UI for. It has relation to the system **User** entity, which is used in CUBA for security reasons. So, our datasource should load the **user** field along with the simple fields of the mechanic entity. For that purpose CUBA uses views - an XML description of what entity attributes should be loaded from the database.
Click the **plus** button to create a new view and the **View designer screen** will appear



4. Specify the **Name: *mechanic-view***, as we will use it for both browser and editor
5. Our view extends the ***_local*** one, which is the system view that includes all the simple (local) attributes.
By default all screens use ***_local*** view for standard screen generation. It means that references to other entities will not be loaded and shown by default.
6. Select ***user*** attribute and specify the ***_minimal*** system view for it; ***_minimal*** view includes only attributes, that are specified in the **Instance Name** of an entity. This view will give us enough information to show an entity is the browser's table and editor's field group
7. Click **OK** to save the view



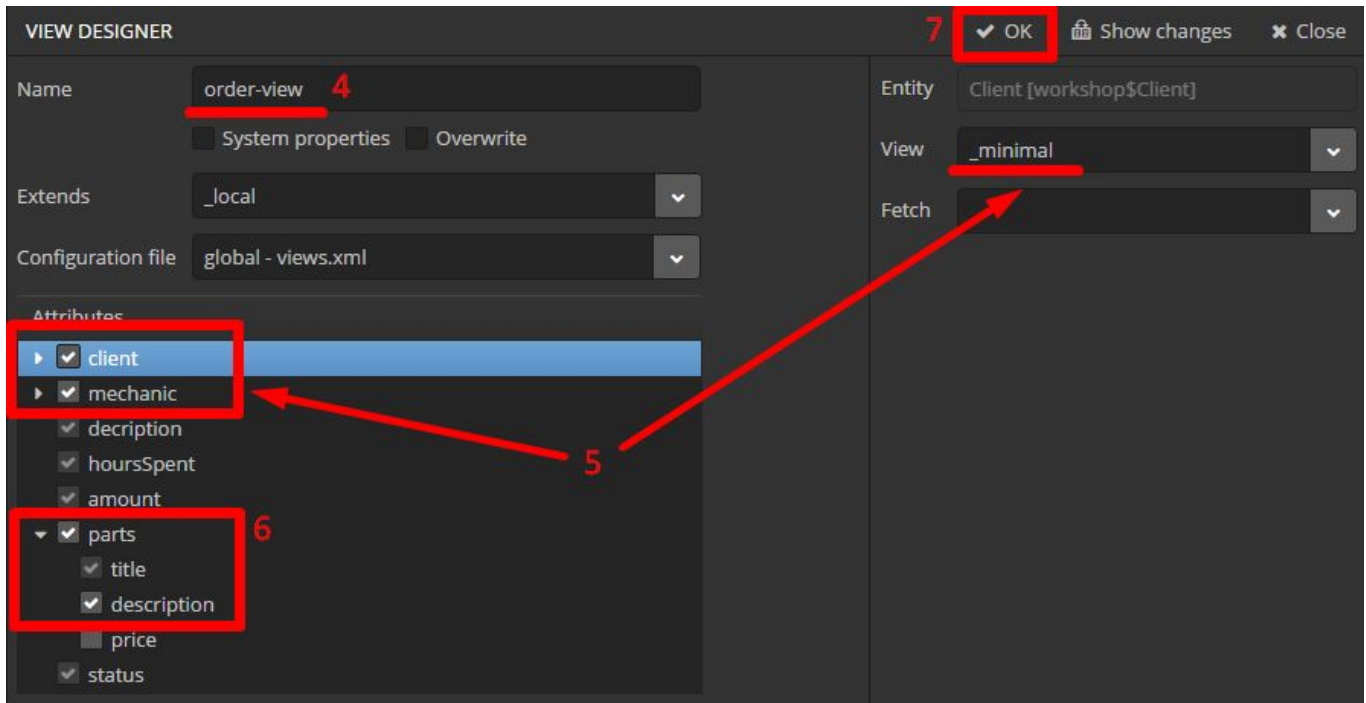
8. Specify the same view for the editor
9. Click **Create**



4.4 Order CRUD UI

1. Open the **Entities** section of the navigation panel and select the **Order** entity
2. Click **Create standard screens**

3. Similarly to what we did for the Mechanic entity, click the plus button to create an extended view for the **Order** entity
4. Rename the view to **order-view**
5. Select **client** and **mechanic** attributes and specify the **_minimal** view for both of them
6. Select the **parts** attribute, which contains a collection of the SpareParts instances. Adding parts to an order we would like to see only **title** and **description** attributes, so tick them
7. Click **OK**

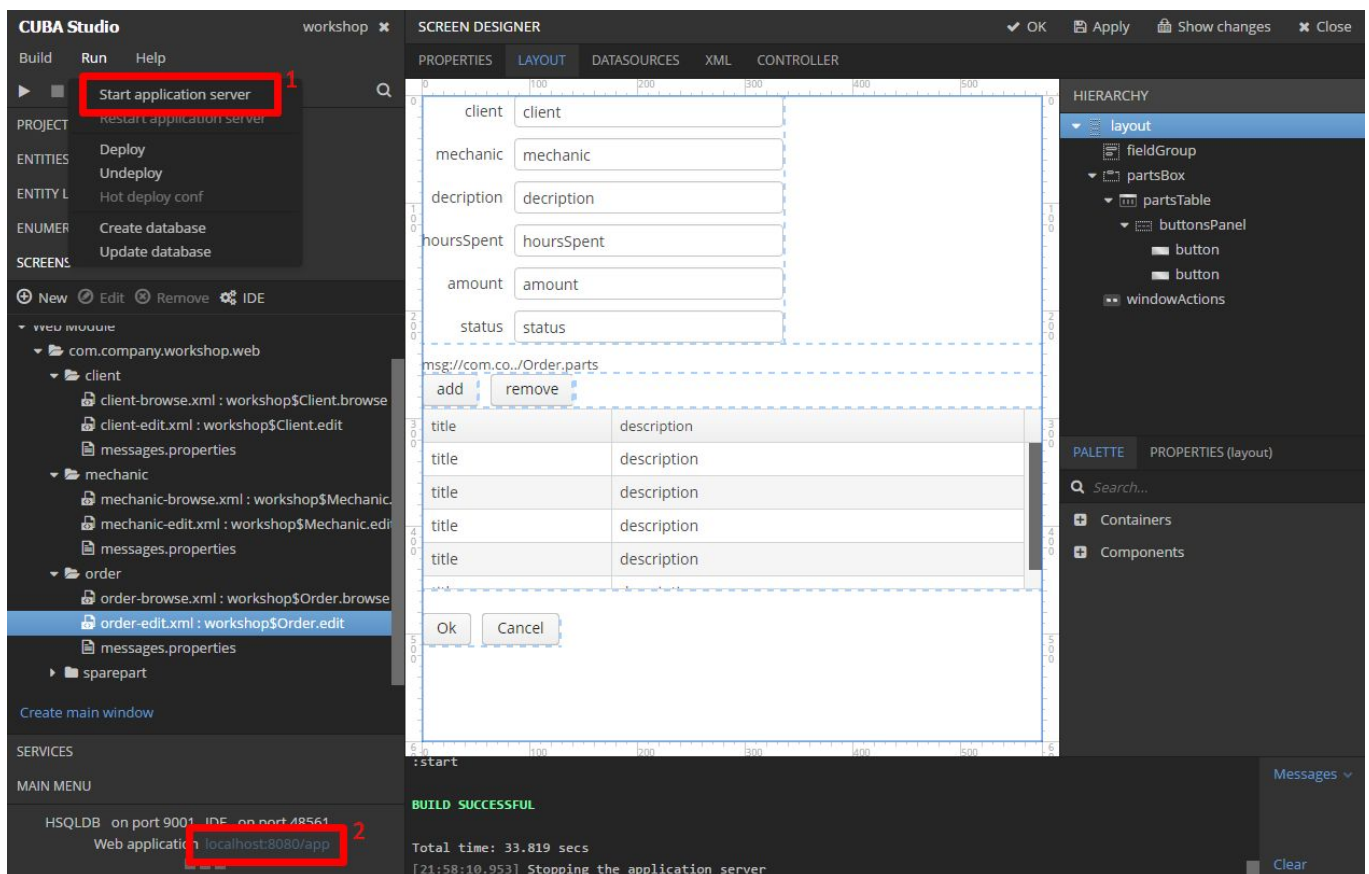


8. Select **order-view** also for the editor screen
9. Click **Create**

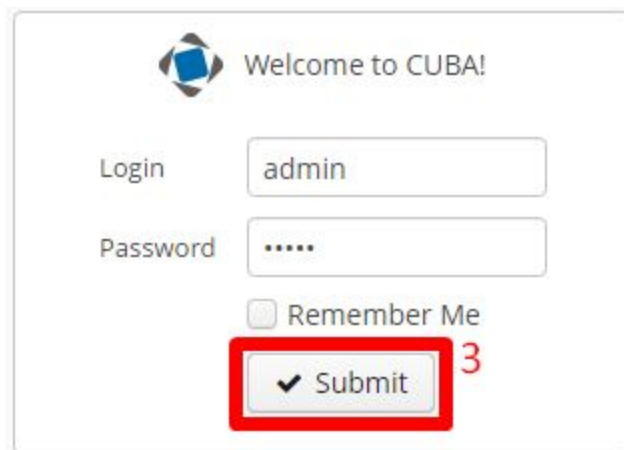
5 FIRST LAUNCH

Our application is done, of course, to a first approximation. Let's compile and launch it!

1. Invoke the **Run — Start application** action from the menu. Studio will deploy a local Tomcat instance in the project subdirectory, deploy the compiled application there and launch it
2. Open the application by clicking a link in the bottom part of the Studio



3. CUBA application welcomes us with the login screen. It's a part of the security module, integrated in the platform. Default login and password are already set in the screen, so just click **Submit**.



4. After successful login you can see the main window of your application, which can be customized from the Studio, similarly to any other screen.
5. Open **Application - Orders** from the menu. The standard browser screen appears. It contains a generic data filter on top, a table of records with buttons on top, performing standard CRUD actions. There are more standard actions available in the platform, for example export to excel. Click **Create**.
6. This is the autogenerated editor screen for the Order entity. Let's fill up the form. Click [...] to select a client.

Application Administration Help Administrator [admin]

Order editor x

Order browser > Order editor

Client

Mechanic

Description

Hours Spent

Amount

Status

Parts

Add Remove

Title	Description

OK Cancel

- There are no clients in the system yet, so the client browser is empty. Click **Create** to add a new client to the system and fill up client editor with the following values and click **OK**:

Name: Alex

Phone Number: 999-99-99

Email: alex@home.com

Application Administration Help

Client editor x

Order browser > Order editor > Client browser > Client editor

Name

Phone Number

Email

OK Cancel

- Double click the client record we have just created or simply click **Select** on the bottom part of the client browser
- We have specified a client for our order and it is shown in the client field accordingly to the **Instance name**, we specified for the Client entity (Name Phone number)

10. Create set the Mechanic field in the same way

User: *admin*

Hourly Rate: 10

11. Complete entering data for the order using the following values and click **OK**

Description: *Broken chain*

Status: *New*

Order editor x

Order browser > Order editor

Client: Alex 999-99-99

Mechanic: Administrator [admin]

Description: Broken chain

Hours Spent:

Amount:

Status: New

Parts

Add Remove

Title	Description
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OK Cancel

Our CRUD application is ready, so we have successfully completed items 1-3 of the functional specification!

5.1 Generic Filter

The CUBA generic filter enables you to filter data by all the fields of the screen main entity, all the entities it refers to as well as their fields. It also gives you ability to create custom filtering rules based on JPQL queries.

Create one more order with the following parameters:

Client

Name: *Freeman*

Phone Number: 111-11-11

Email: freeman@world.com

Mechanic

User: *admin*

Hourly Rate: 8

Order

Description: *Wheels problem*

Hours Spent: 2

Status: *In progress*

Parts (add one part)

Title: Wheel 29"

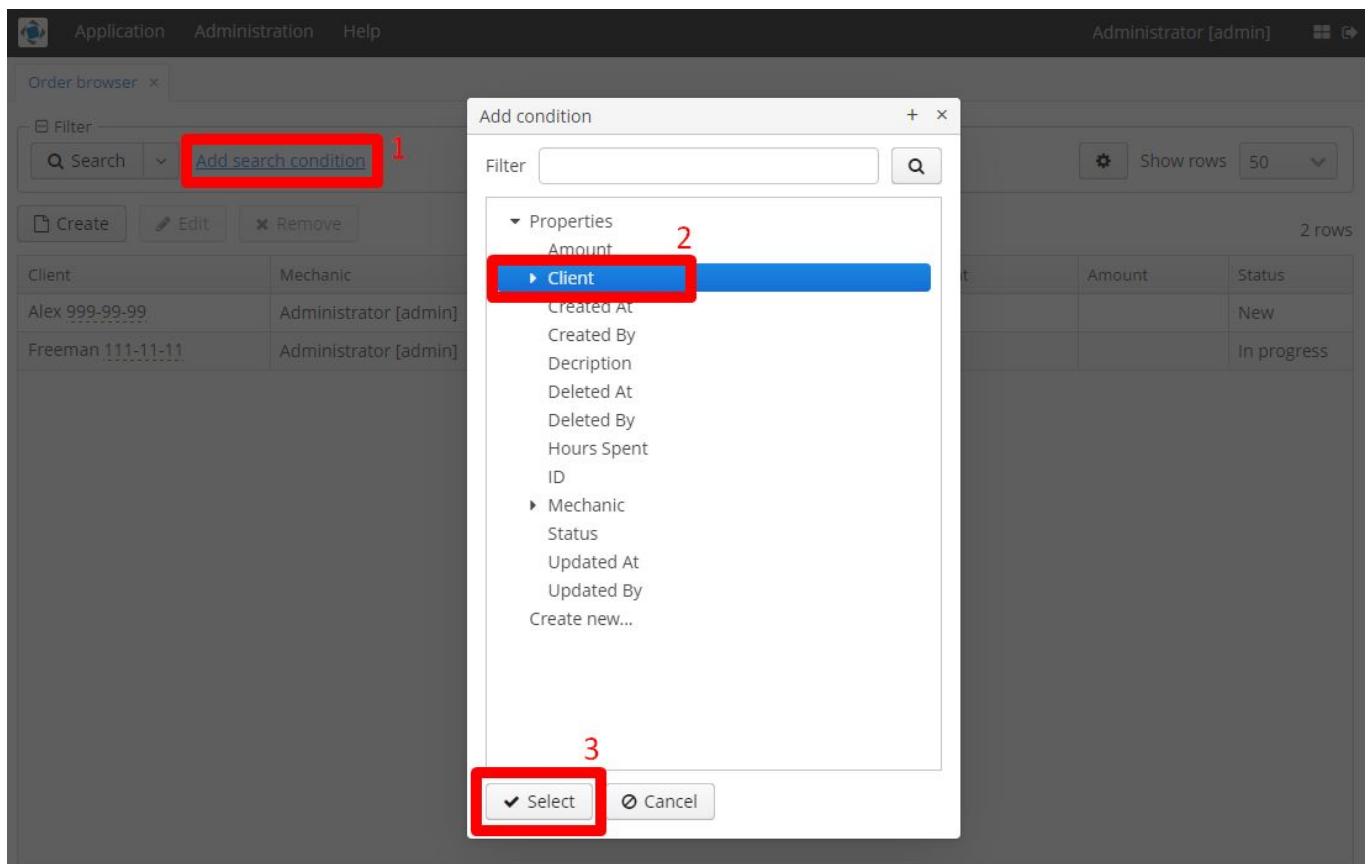
Description: Standard wheel

Price: 50

5.1.1 Client's Orders Filter

Let's create a simple filter to find all the orders of a particular client.

1. Go to the Order Browser screen (**Application — Orders**) and click the **Add search condition** link
2. Select the **Client** property
3. Click **Select**



4. Your filter automatically shows you options that can be applied for the **Client** field. Select **Alex** and click **Search**.

Order browser x

Filter *

Client =

Search Alex 999-99-99 4

Create Edit Remove

2 rows

Client	Mechanic	Decription	Hours Spent	Amount	Status
Alex 999-99-99	Administrator [admin]	Broken chain			New
Freeman 111-11-11	Administrator [admin]	Wheels problem	2		In progress

- Only one record left after filtering.
- Click on the [=] button to see what comparison options CUBA filters offer for users
 - [=] - exact equality
 - [in] - the field is contained in a specified set of values
 - [not in] - the field is NOT contained in a specified set of values
 - [<>] - the field is not equal to the specified value
 - [is set] - the field is null/not null

Order browser x

Filter *

Client = 6

Search in Add search condition

Create Edit Remove

2 rows

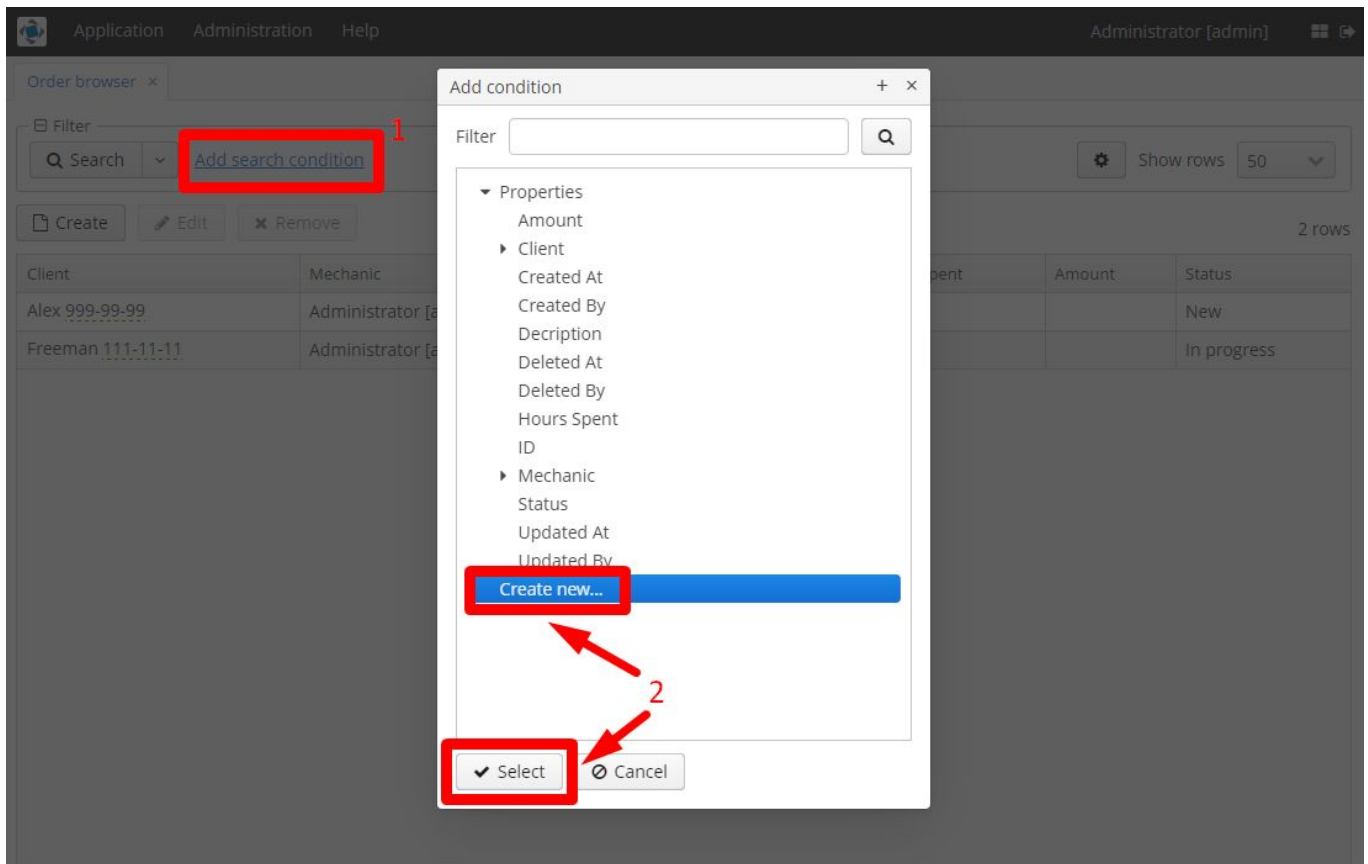
Client	Mechanic	Decription	Hours Spent	Amount	Status
Alex 999-99-99	Administrator [admin]	Broken chain			New
Freeman 111-11-11	Administrator [admin]	Wheels problem	2		In progress

In a similar way you can filter by all types of attributes (string, numeric, boolean, etc).

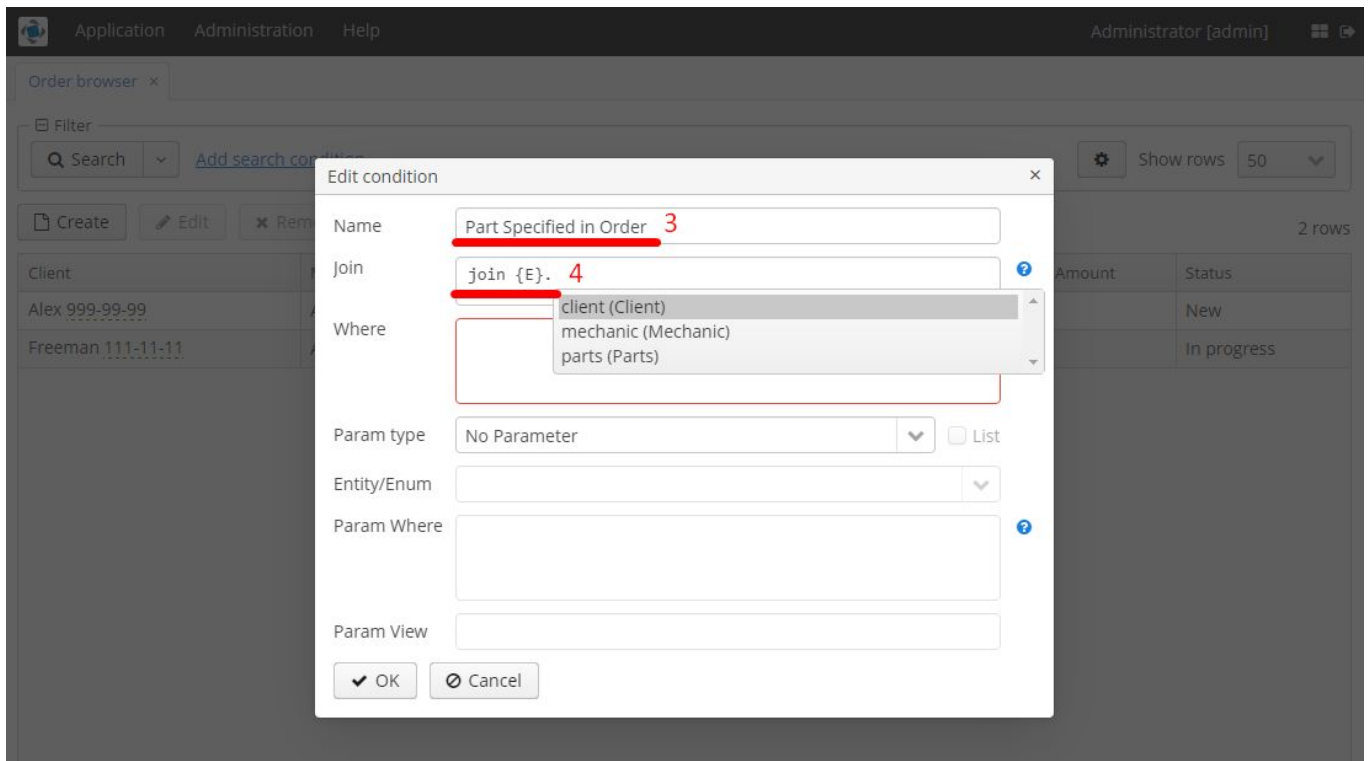
5.1.2 Part Specified in Order Filter

Sometimes it is not possible to filter records without join operation. Let's take the following example: we want to filter all the orders that contain some particular part in it.

- Click the **Add search condition** link
- Select the **Create new...** option



3. Set condition **Name: *Part Specified in Order***
4. Our main entity in the screen is *Order*, which has *Set<SparePart> parts* field, containing all the used parts. Let's join parts to the orders: type *join {E}*. and the system will show you suggestions. Select the *parts* suggestion or just type it manually and assign alias *p* to the joining table.
You should get the following **Join** clause: *join {E}.parts p*



5. Input ***p.id = ?*** in the **Where** field. Question here means parameter, that we will send to the condition from the generic filter UI.
6. Select **Param type: *Entity***
7. Set **Entity/Enum: *SparePart***
8. Click **OK**

Edit condition

Name: Part Specified in Order

Join: join {E}.parts p 4

Where: p.id = ? 5

Param type: Entity 6 ☐ List

Entity/Enum: Spare Part (workshop\$SparePart) 7

Param Where:

Param View:

9. Specify the **Wheel 29** value in your custom filter and click **Search** to see the result list

Application Administration Help Administrator [admin]

Order browser x

Filter * Part Specified in Order

2 rows

Client	Mechanic	Description	Hours Spent	Amount	Status
Alex 999-99-99	Administrator [admin]	Broken chain			New
Freeman 111-11-11	Administrator [admin]	Wheels problem	2		In progress

5.1.3 Reusing Filters

Obviously, there are a number of filters, that end-users reuse frequently. For that purpose you can save filters you create. Let's save the "part specified in order" filter we have just created.

1. Click the **cogwheel button** on the right hand side of the filter component
2. Click **Save**

Application Administration Help Administrator [admin]

Order browser x

Filter *

Part Specified in Order

Search Add search condition

Create Edit Remove

1 2

Save as Edit Remove Make default Pin applied

Client	Mechanic	Decription	Hours Spent	Ar	tus
Alex 999-99-99	Administrator [admin]	Broken chain			
Freeman 111-11-11	Administrator [admin]	Wheels problem	2		

2 rows

3. Input **Filter name: *Part specified in order***
4. Now you can access your filter by clicking the **down arrow button**, placed next to the Search one. Apply the saved filter.

Order browser x

Filter

Search Add search condition

<Reset filters>

Create Part Specified in Order 4

Client	Mechanic
Alex 999-99-99	Administrator [admin]
Freeman 111-11-11	Administrator [admin]

5. Applying a saved filter you can edit, remove it or make selected filter as default one by clicking the **cogwheel button**. Default filters appear in the screen automatically after opening.

5.1.4 Editing Saved Filters and Grouping Conditions

1. Open the saved filter
2. Click the **cogwheel button — Edit**
3. Selecting conditions users are able to edit them

Filter name: Part Specified in Order

Available for all users: ☐

Default: ☐

Buttons: Add, Remove, Add AND, Add OR, Up, Down

Condition properties:

- Hidden: ☐
- Required: ☐
- Width: 1
- Default value:
- Name: Part Specified in Order
- Join: join {E}.parts p
- Where: p.id = ?
- Param type: Entity
- Entity/Enum: Spare Part (workshop\$SparePart)
- Param Where:
- Param View:

Buttons: OK, Cancel

4. Also there is an ability to additional conditions and group them using OR and AND logical operators. Let's add one more condition. For example, we want to control our stock of spare parts, so, we would like to know how many parts of some particular type we need for the new or unstated orders. Logical expression we are going to build is the following:
Part Specified in Order = ? AND (*Status* = NEW OR *Status* is not set).
5. Click the **Add OR** button and check that the **OR group** item is selected in the conditions list
6. Click **Add**
7. Select the **Status** attribute
8. Set **Default value: New**
9. Select the **OR group** item in the conditions list and add one more condition for the Status attribute
10. Change Operation to **[is set]** one and specify **No** in the **Default value** field

11. Click **OK**

12. Now we can see our complex filter

13. Editing filters you can share them between users, set them as default screen filter, hide some conditions or groups of conditions. More information on generic filter component can be found [here](#).

5.2 Security Setup

The platform has built-in functionality to manage users and access rights. This functionality is available from the **Administration** menu. The CUBA platform security model is role-based and controls CRUD permissions for entities, attributes, menu items and screen components and supports custom access restrictions. All security settings can be configured at runtime. There is also an additional facility to control row level access.

We need a role for mechanics in our application. A Mechanic will be able to modify an order and specify the number of hours they spent, and add or remove spare parts. The Mechanic role will have limited administrative functions. Only admin will be allowed to create orders, clients and spare parts.

1. Open **Administration — Roles** from the menu
2. Click **Create**
3. Set **Name: *Mechanic***

Application Administration Help Administrator [admin]

New Role x 1

Roles > New Role

Name Mechanic 3 Type Standard Description

Localised Name Default role ☐

Screens Entities Attributes Specific UI

Target	Permission
▼ Main menu	
▼ Application	
Spare Parts	
Clients	
Mechanics	
Orders	
▼ Administration	
Users	
Access Groups	
Roles	
Dynamic Attributes	

Permissions

✓ OK ⌕ Cancel

5.2.1 Screen Permissions

We want to restrict access to the Administration screens for all Mechanic users, so let's forbid the Administration menu item. Also, mechanics don't need access to the mechanics and clients browsers, let's forbid the corresponding screens too.

1. Select the **Administration** row in the Screens table
2. Select **deny**
3. Similarly deny access for **Clients** and **Mechanics**

Application
Administration
Help
Administrator [admin]

New Role x

Roles > New Role

Name
Mechanic
Type
Standard
Description

Localised Name
Default role

Screens
Entities
Attributes
Specific
UI

Target	Permission
▼ Main menu	
▼ Application	
Spare Parts	
Clients	deny
Mechanics	deny
Orders	
▼ Administration	deny
Users	
Access Groups	
Roles	
Dynamic Attributes	

Permissions
Administration
☐ allow
☒ deny

OK
Cancel

5.2.2 CRUD Permissions

As it has already been mentioned we want a mechanic only allow read access to clients, mechanics and parts. Also a mechanic should not be able to create or delete an order in the system. Only update it's status, hours spent and manipulate with parts in the order.

1. Open the **Entities** tab
2. Select the **Client** entity and forbid **create**, **update** and **delete** operations

Application Administration Help Administrator [admin]

New Role x

Roles > New Role

Name: Mechanic Type: Standard Description:

Localised Name: Default role: ☐

Screens: **Entities** Attributes Specific UI

☐ Assigned only ☐ System level Entity: Apply

Entity	Meta class	Create	Read	Update	Delete
Client	workshop\$Client	deny		deny	deny
Mechanic	workshop\$Mechanic	deny		deny	deny
Order	workshop\$Order	deny			deny
Spare Part	workshop\$SparePart	deny		deny	deny
Group	sec\$Group				
Role	sec\$Role				
User	sec\$User				

Permissions

Client
workshop\$Client

[all] allow deny

create ☐ ☒ ☐

read ☐ ☒ ☐

update ☐ ☒ ☐

delete ☐ ☒ ☐

OK Cancel

3. Repeat the second step for the **Mechanic** and **SparePart** entities
4. Forbid only **create** and **delete** operations for the **Order** entity

5.2.3 Attribute Permissions

On attribute level we don't want to allow a mechanic to set values for the client, mechanic and description attributes; also we would like to hide the amount field from them.

1. Open the **Attributes** tab
2. Select the **Order** row and
3. Tick **read-only** for **client**, **mechanic** and **description**; tick **hide** for the **amount** attribute

Application Administration Help Administrator [admin]

New Role x

Roles > New Role

Name Type Description

Localised Name Default role ☐

Screens Entities **Attributes** Specific UI

☐ Assigned only ☐ System level Entity

Entity	Meta class	Permissions
Client	workshop\$Client	
Group	sec\$Group	
Mechanic	workshop\$Mechanic	
Order	workshop\$Order	amount client decription mechanic
Role	sec\$Role	
Spare Part	workshop\$SparePart	
User	sec\$User	

Permissions

Order workshop\$Order

	modify	read-only	hide
[all]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
amount	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
client	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
createTs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
createdBy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
decription	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
deleteTs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
deletedBy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
hoursSpent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
id	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
mechanic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
parts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
status	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
updateTs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
updatedBy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
version	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. Click **OK** to save the role

5.2.4 Role-based Security in Action

Let's apply the mechanic role to a new user and take a look on the application from the mechanic's point of view.

1. Open **Administration — Users**
2. Click **Create**
3. Set **Login: jack**
4. Set **password** and **password confirmation: qwe**
5. Set **Name: Jack**
6. Add the **Mechanic** role to user **Roles**
7. Click **OK** to save the user

Application Administration Help Administrator [admin]

Roles x New User x

Users > New User

Login jack 3

New Password ...

Confirm New Password ... 4

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Name jack 5

Email

Group Company

Position

Language English

Time Zone

Permitted IP Mask

Active ☒

Roles

Add Edit Remove

Role Name	Localised Name
Mechanic	

Substituted Users

Add Edit Remove

Login	Name	Start Date	End Date
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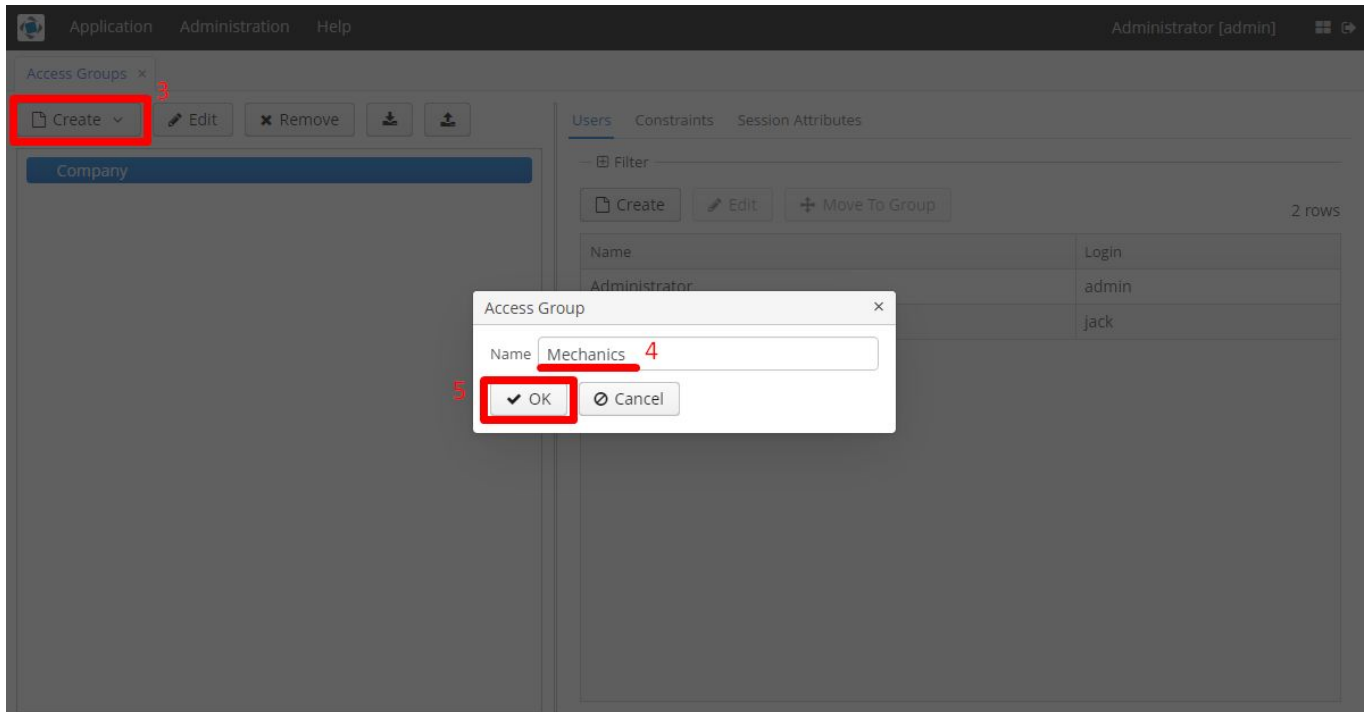
OK Cancel

8. Let's exit the application by clicking the **top-right door button** of the screen
9. Login under the new user Login: **jack**, Password: **qwe**
10. The Administration menu item is hidden as well as Mechanics and Clients browsers;
The Spare Parts browser is available in read-only mode;
The Orders browser allows us only editing of existing records;
The Order editor allows only changing the Hours spent and Status fields, as well as adding parts to an order; the amount field is hidden from our user.

5.2.5 Row-level Security

The CUBA Platform Security subsystem allows you to control and restrict access on the level of records using the **access group** mechanism. For example, we want to restrict access of our mechanics to see only orders that were assigned to them.

1. **Log out** from the system and **login** under administrator (**Login: admin; Password: admin**)
2. Open **Administration — Access Groups** from the menu. The groups have hierarchical structure, where each element defines a set of constraints, allowing controlling access to individual entity instances (at row level).
3. Click **Create — New**
4. Set **Name: Mechanics**
5. Click **OK**



6. Open the **Constraints** tab for the newly created group
7. Click **Create** in the **Constraints** tab
8. Set **Entity Name: Order**
9. We can define what operation type we want to assign restriction to. Keep **Operation Type: Read**
10. For some operation types it is not possible to perform check on the database level, e.g. delete and update operations. For this reason there are three **Check Types** implemented in the platform: *Check in database* (using JPQL), *Check in memory* (using Groovy script; the only option for Create, Update, Delete, All operation types) and *Check in database and in memory* (using both JPQL and Groovy). In our example we will use the **Check in database** Check Type
11. For the *Check in database* Check Type you can specify a JPQL query in the same way as we did for custom conditions in the generic filter. Click the **Constraint Wizard** link

Application Administration Help Administrator [admin]

Constraint for the 'Mecha...' x

[Access Groups](#) > Constraint for the 'Mechanics' group

Is Active ☒

Entity Name Order (workshop\$Order) 8

Operation Type Read 9

Check Type Check in database 10

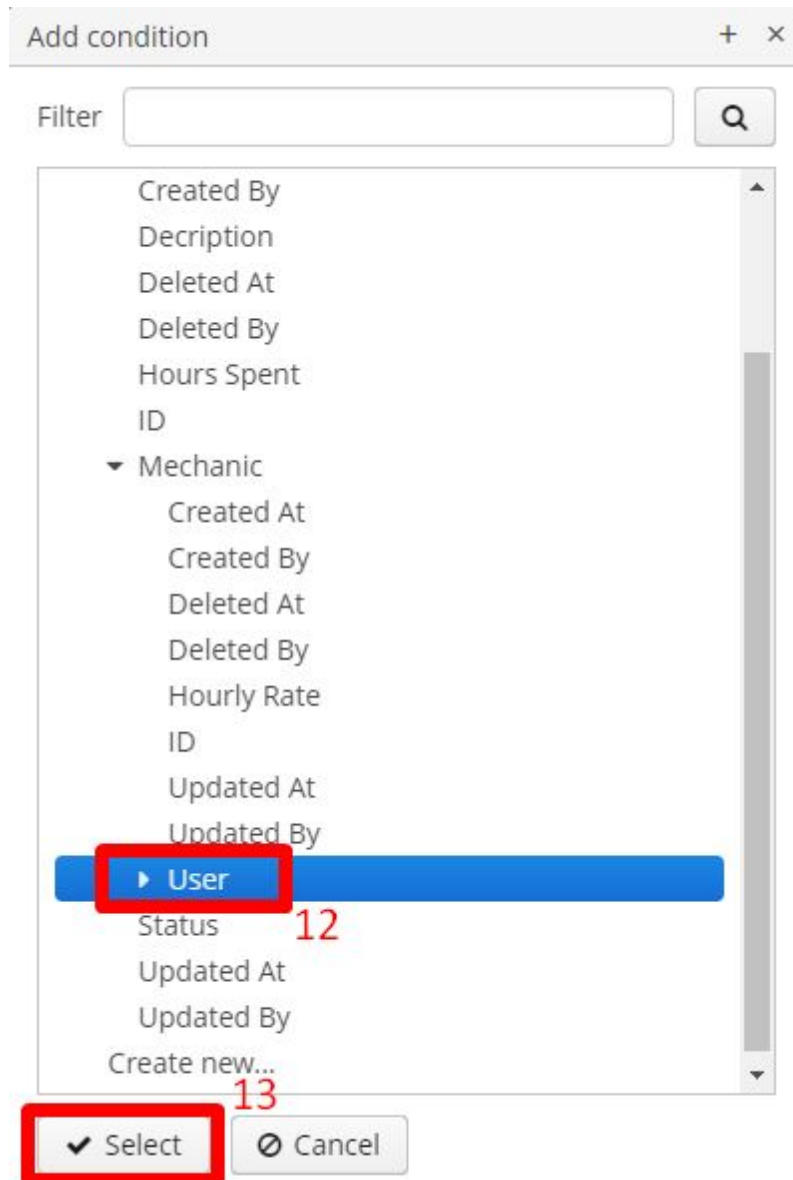
Constraint Wizard 11

Join Clause

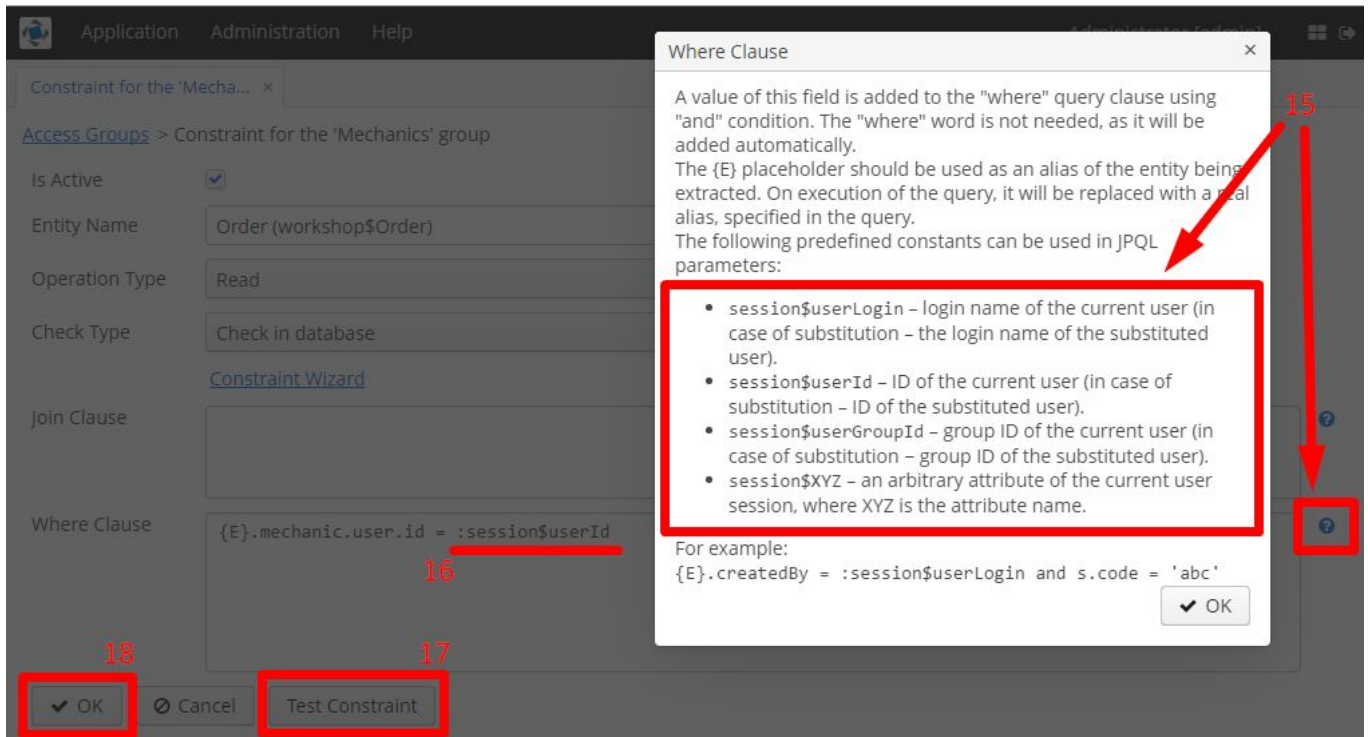
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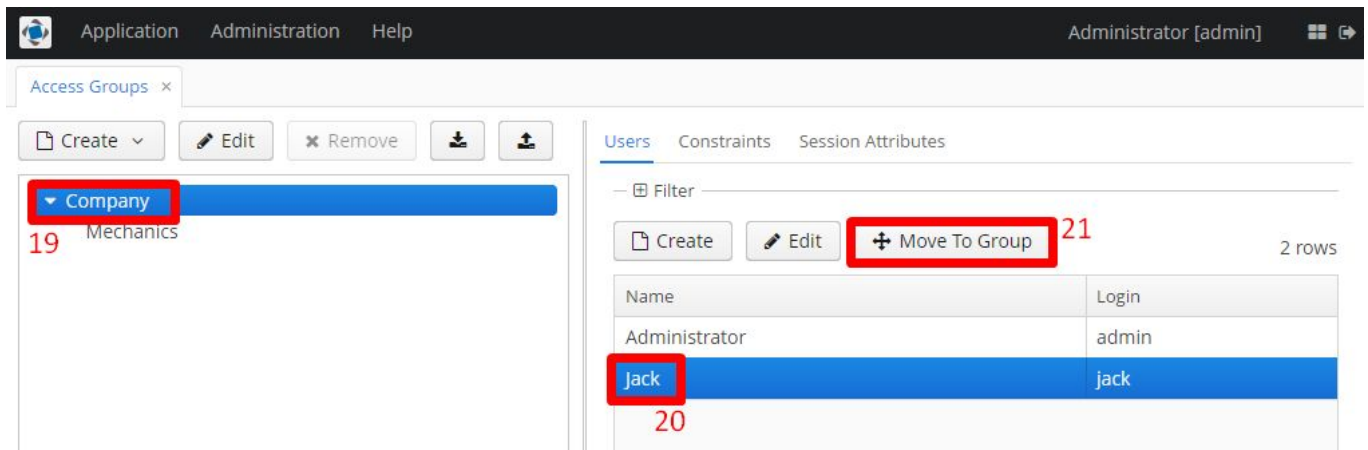
12. Expand the **Mechanic** field and select the child **User** attribute
13. Click **Select**



14. Click **OK** in the Define query window. The platform has generated the where clause as `{E}.mechanic.user.id = 'NULL'`. We will need to tune it a bit.
15. Click the question mark located in the top-right corner of the Where Clause filed to see what predefined constants can be used here
16. We need ID of the current user to compare with the mechanic's user id. So, change `'NULL'` to `:session$userId`. Finally you should have the following code:
`{E}.mechanic.user.id = :session$userId`
17. Click **Test Constraint**
18. If test shows that constraint is valid, then click **OK**



19. Select the **Company** group on the **Access Groups** screen
20. Select **Jack** in the **Users** tab
21. Click **Move To Group**



22. Select the **Mechanics** group and click **Select**
23. Let's now assign one of our mechanics with the new user. Go to **Application - Mechanics** in the main menu
24. Select the **mechanic with hourly rate of 10**
25. Click **Edit**



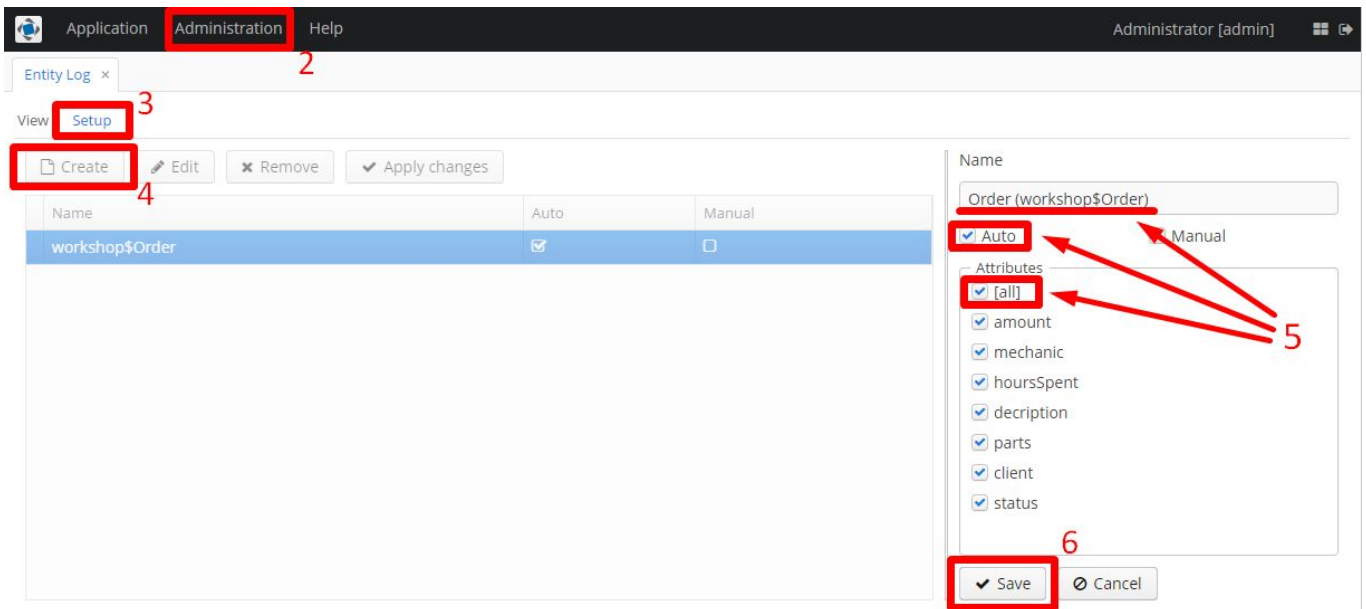
26. Specify the **Jack** user for this record and click **OK**
27. Now our mechanic is associated with the jack user. Re-login into the application using Jack's credentials: **Login: jack; Password: qwe**
28. Open the Orders browser (**Application — Orders**). Now we can only see the orders assigned to Jack

5.3 Audit

There is a requirement in our functional specification to track critical data changes. CUBA Platform has a built-in mechanism to track entity changes, which you can configure to track operations with critical system data.

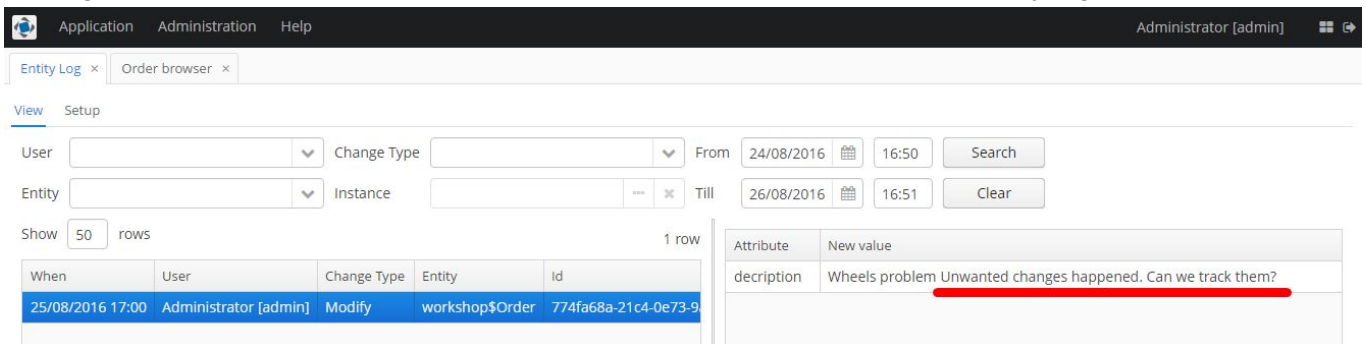
Keeping track of our application, it happens when one day someone has accidentally erased the order description. It is not appropriate to call the client on the phone, apologize and ask them to repeat the what needs to be done. Let's see how this can be avoided.

1. Re-login into the application as administrator (**Login: admin; Password: admin**)
2. Open **Administration — Entity Log** from the menu
3. Go to the **Setup** tab
4. Click **Create**
5. Set **Name: Order**
Auto: true
Attributes: all
6. Click **Save**



Now the system will track all CRUD changes of all the fields of the Order entity. Go to the order browser and change status or description of any record, then get back to the Entity Log screen and you will see who made what change!

I changed the description of one of the orders and see what we have in the entity log:



5.4 First Launch Conclusion

While spending short time exploring the CUBA Platform and its features we have already finished the following requirements from the functional specification:

1. ~~Store customers with their name, mobile phone and email~~
2. ~~Record information about orders: price for repair and time spent by mechanic~~
3. ~~Keep track of spare parts in stock~~
4. Automatically calculate price based on spare parts used and time elapsed
5. ~~Control security permissions for screens, CRUD operations and records' attributes~~
6. ~~Audit of critical data changes~~
7. API for a mobile client to place an order

Note that we didn't even type any line of source code, everything has been provided by the platform or scaffolded by the Studio.

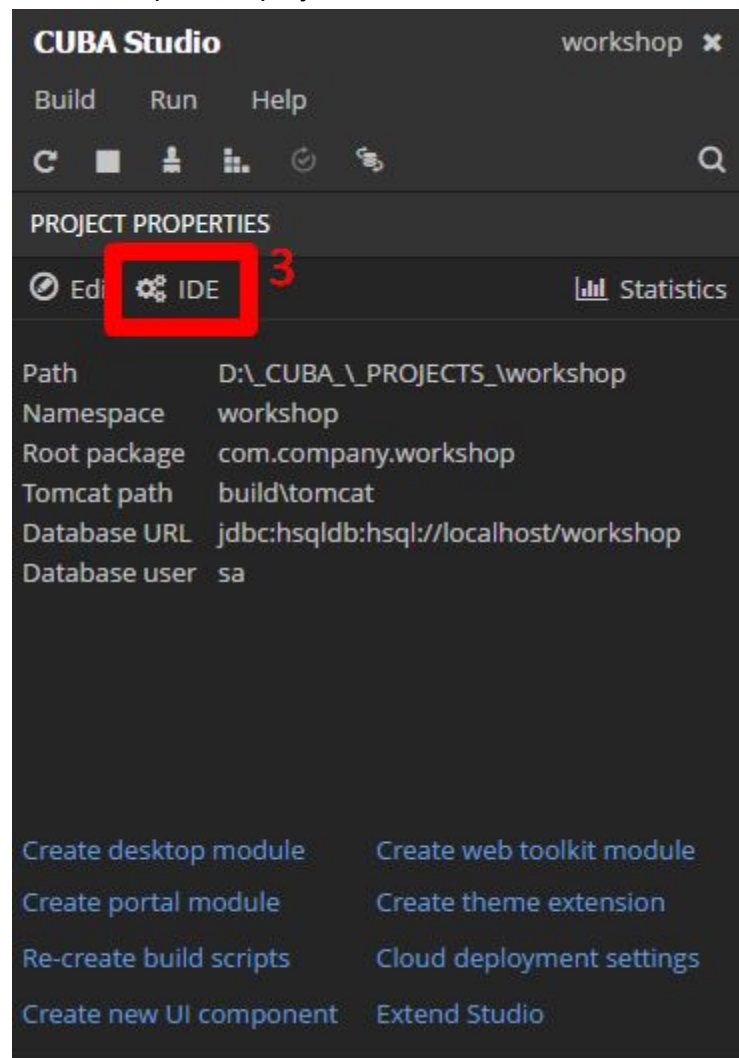
Let's move forward towards business logic.

6 DEVELOPMENT BEYOND CRUD

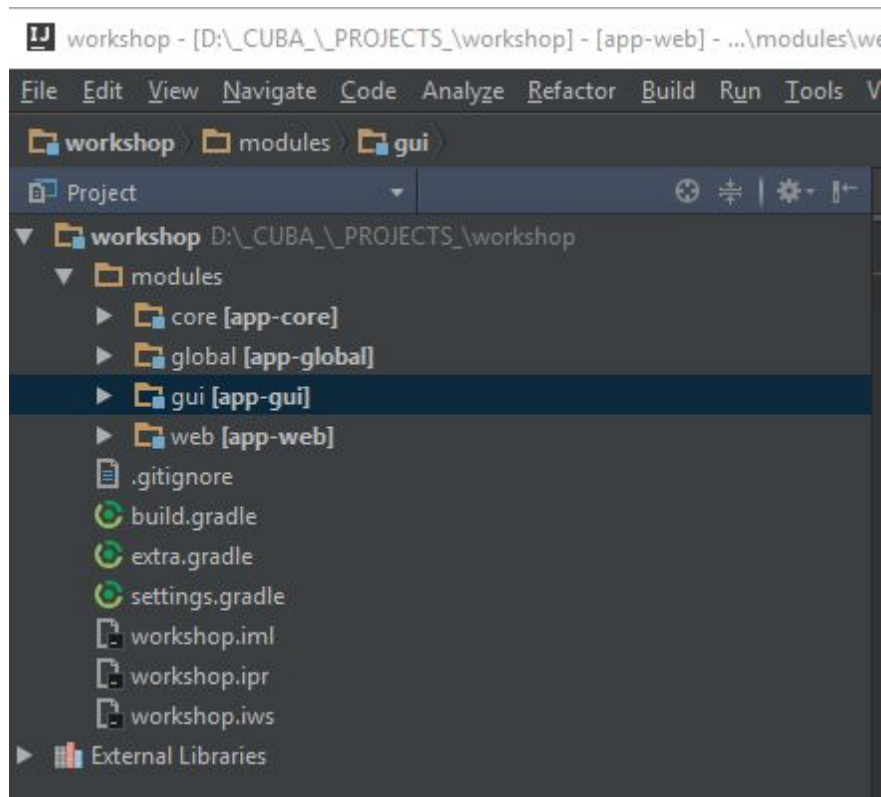
6.1 Integration with IDE and Project Structure

Let's have a look how our project looks from inside. Keep your application up and running and follow the steps:

1. Launch IntelliJ IDEA. The IDE should be up and running to enable integration with the CUBA Studio. If you don't have the CUBA Plugin installed, please install it, cause it is used as a communication bridge between the Studio and IDE
2. Go to the Studio and click the **IDE** button in the **Project properties** section. The Studio will generate project files and open the project in the IDE



3. Move to the IDE and press **Alt+1** to see the project structure. By default any project consists of 4 modules: **global**, **core**, **web**, **gui**.
global - data model classes
core - middle tier services
gui - common component interfaces; screens and components for both Web and Desktop clients and
web - screens and components for Web client



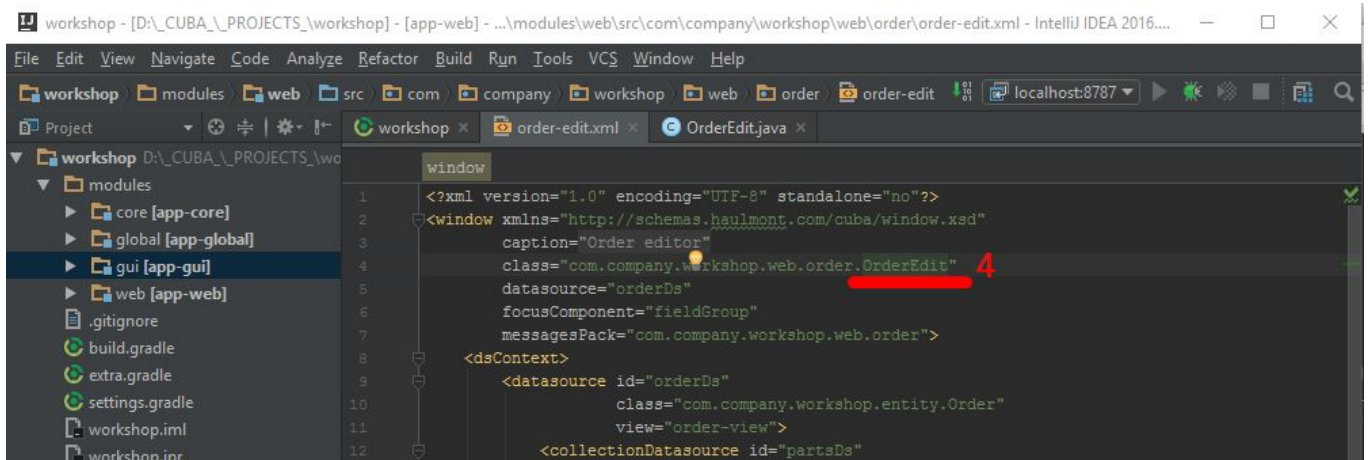
6.2 Customization of Existing Screens and Hotdeploy

In this chapter we will polish our Orders browser and editor by adding logic into controller and changing the user interface.

6.2.1 Initialization of a New Record in Editor

Let's solve the first problem with empty status of the newly creating orders. A new order should be created with the NEW order status pre-set.

1. Go to the **Screens** section of the navigation panel in the CUBA Studio
2. Select the **order-edit.xml** screen
3. Click the **IDE** button on top of the section. Screen descriptor appears in your IDE. You can make any changes right from the source code, because The Studio and an IDE has two ways synchronization
4. Hold **Ctrl** button and click on **OrderEdit** in class attribute of the XML descriptor to navigate to its implementation

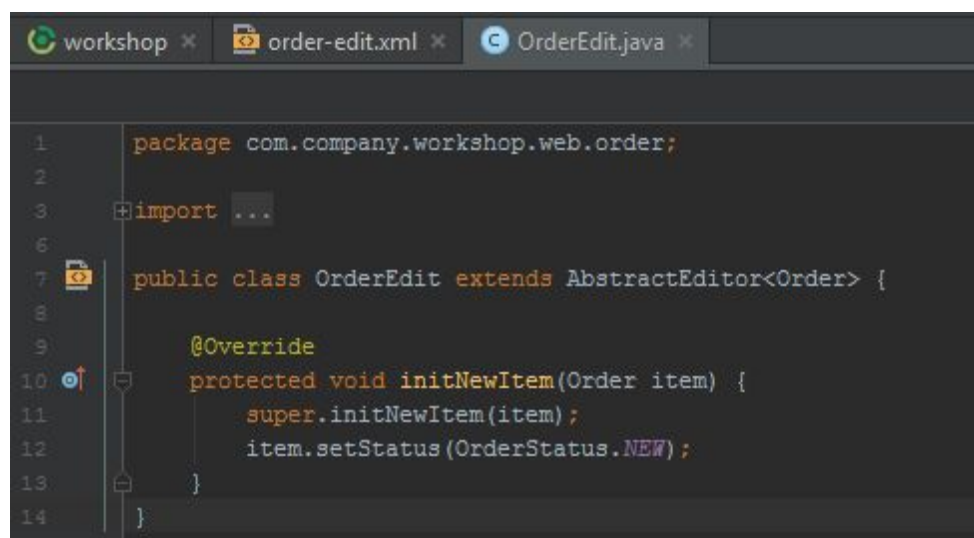


5. Override method **initNewItem** and set status **OrderStatus.NEW** to the passed order:

```

public class OrderEdit extends AbstractEditor<Order> {
    @Override
    protected void initNewItem(Order item) {
        super.initNewItem(item);
        item.setStatus(OrderStatus.NEW);
    }
}

```



6. We haven't stopped our application and it is still up and running in the browser. Open/Reopen **Application — Orders** screen
7. Click **Create**
8. We see our changes, although we haven't restarted the server. The CUBA Studio automatically detects and the hot-deploys changes, except for the data model, which saves a lot of time while UI development and business logic development

Order editor x

[Order browser](#) > Order editor

Client

Mechanic

Decription

Hours Spent

Amount

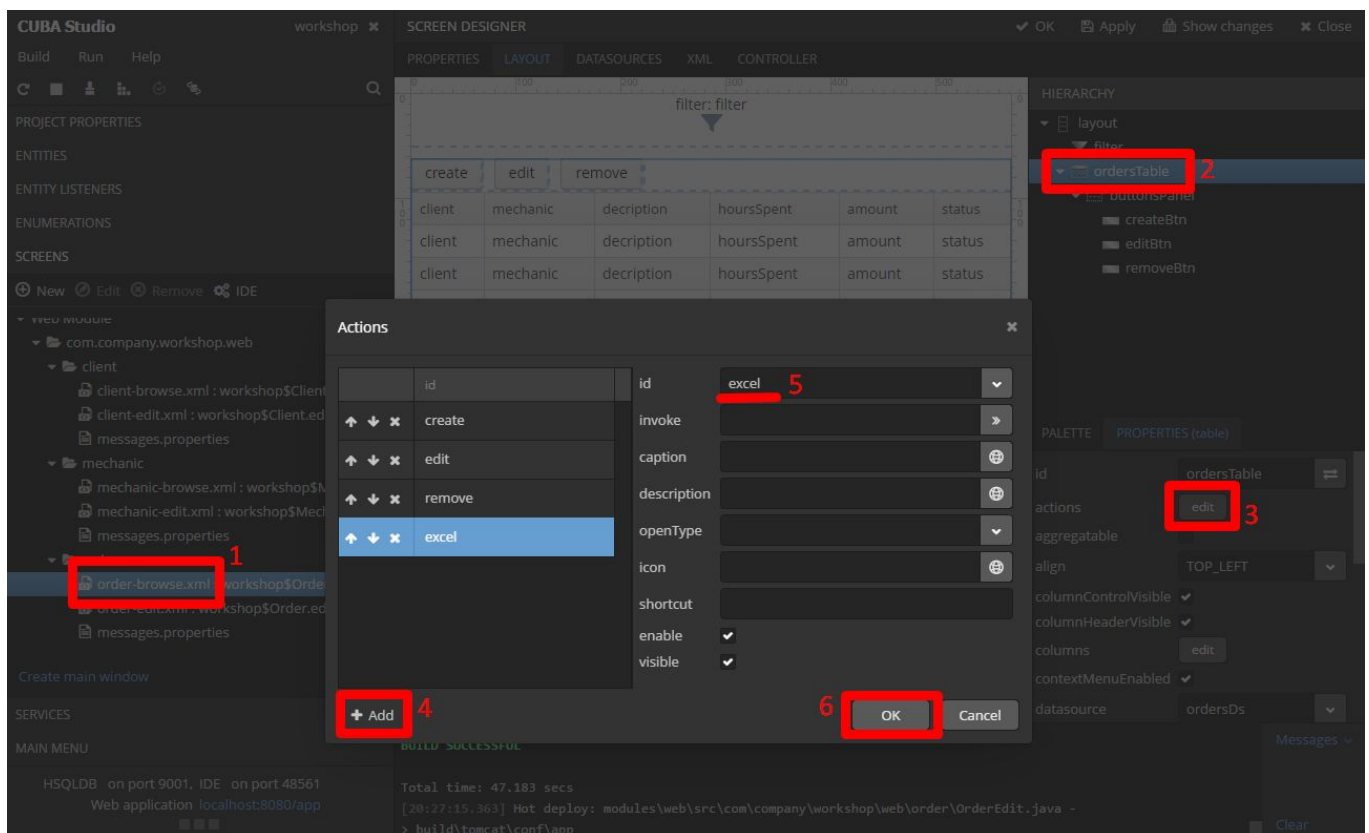
Status

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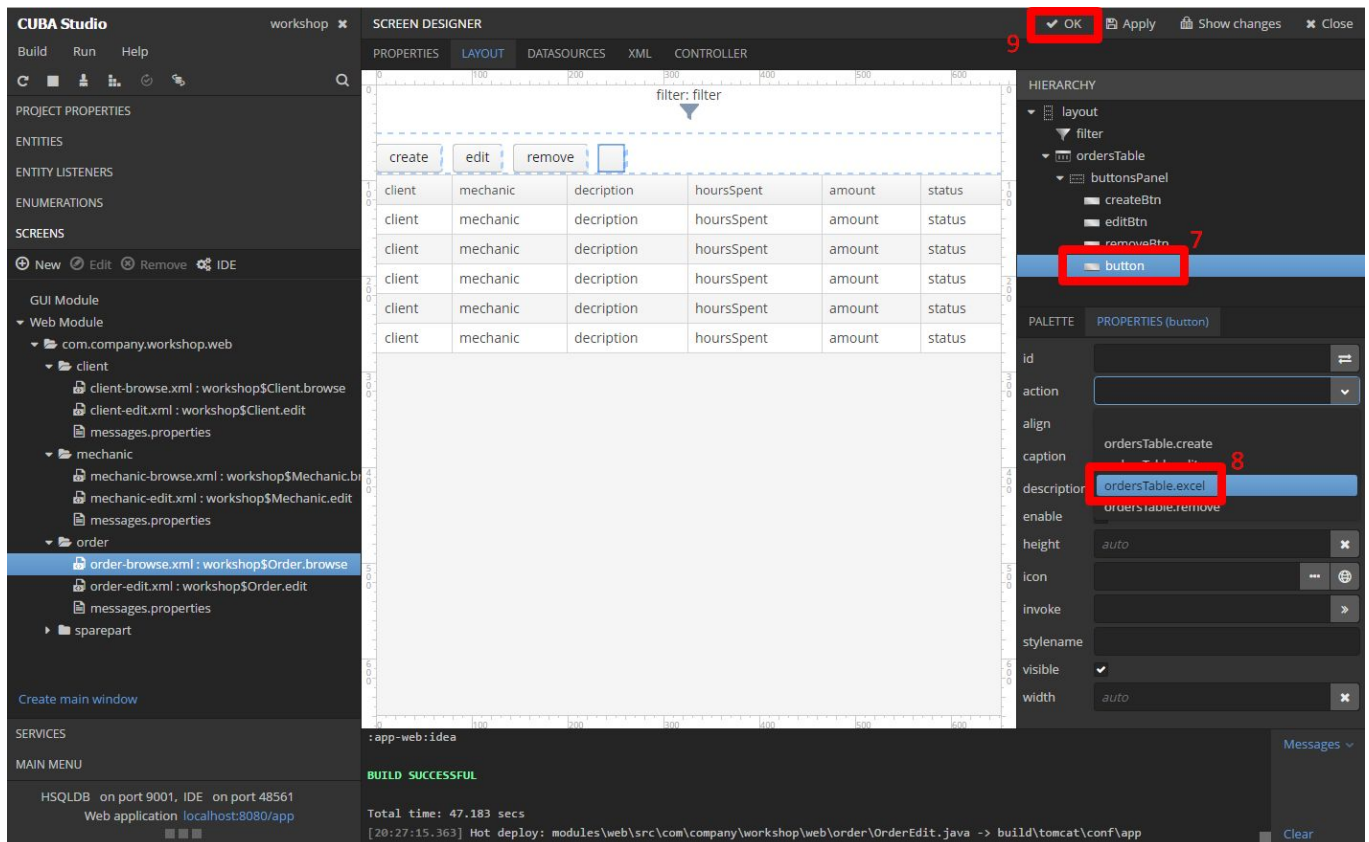
6.2.2 Adding Standard Excel Action to the Orders Browser

The standard screens contain **Create**, **Edit**, and **Remove** actions by default. Let's add an action to export the order list to **Excel**, which is also a standard action you can use out of the box. You can follow the [link](#) to learn more about standard actions.

1. Open **order-browse.xml** screen in the Studio
2. Select table component, go to properties panel
3. Click the **edit** button in the actions property
4. **Add** a new action row to the list
5. Specify id as **excel** for this action
6. Click **OK**



7. Add a new button to the button panel (**drug and drop** it from the components palette into the hierarchy of components)
8. Select **ordersTable.excel** action for button using properties panel
9. Save the screen by clicking **OK** in the top-right corner



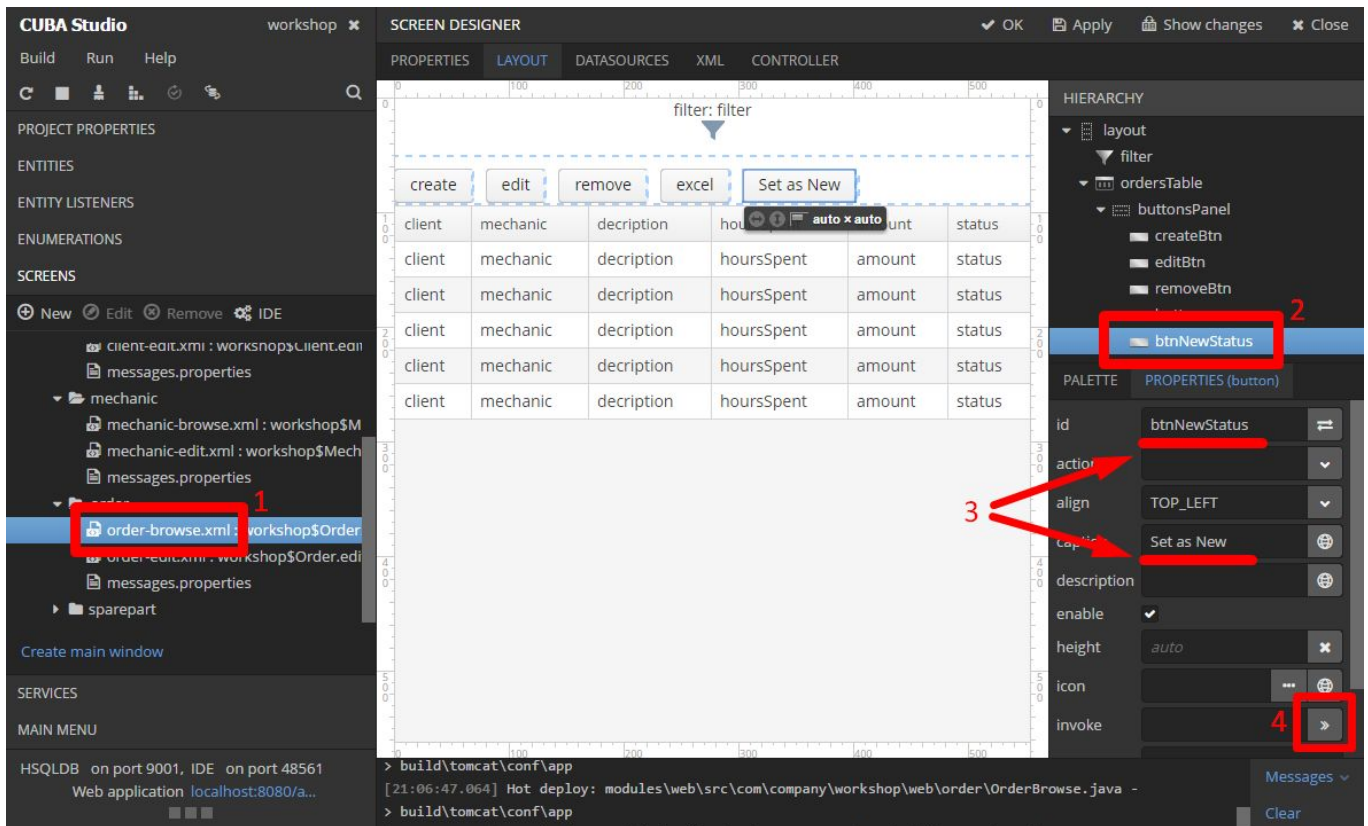
10. Let's use magic of hotdeploy once again. **Open/Reopen** the Orders screen

11. Click **Excel** to export your orders to an xls file

6.2.3 Adding Custom Behaviour

Our mechanics are yelling that it's too annoying to go to the Order editor every time they want to change the order status. They would like to click a button and set the corresponding status from the browser.

1. Open **order-browse.xml** screen in the Studio
2. Add a new button to the button panel (**drag and drop** it into the hierarchy of components)
3. Set the following properties for the button
id: btnNewStatus
caption: Set as New
4. Click the [>>] button on the right side of the invoke field



- The Studio will generate a method, that will be called on button click. Press **Ctrl+I** to save the changes and open the screen controller in your IDE
- CUBA extends the standard spring injection mechanism with ability to inject CUBA related infrastructure and UI components. We will need to inject the datasource from our screen:

```
@Inject
private CollectionDataSource<Order, UUID> ordersDs;
```
- Let's implement the **onBtnNewStatusClick** method, that was created by the Studio:

```
public void onBtnNewStatusClick(Component source) {
    Order selectedItem = ordersDs.getItem();
    if (selectedItem != null) {
        selectedItem.setStatus(OrderStatus.NEW);
        ordersDs.commit();
    }
}
```

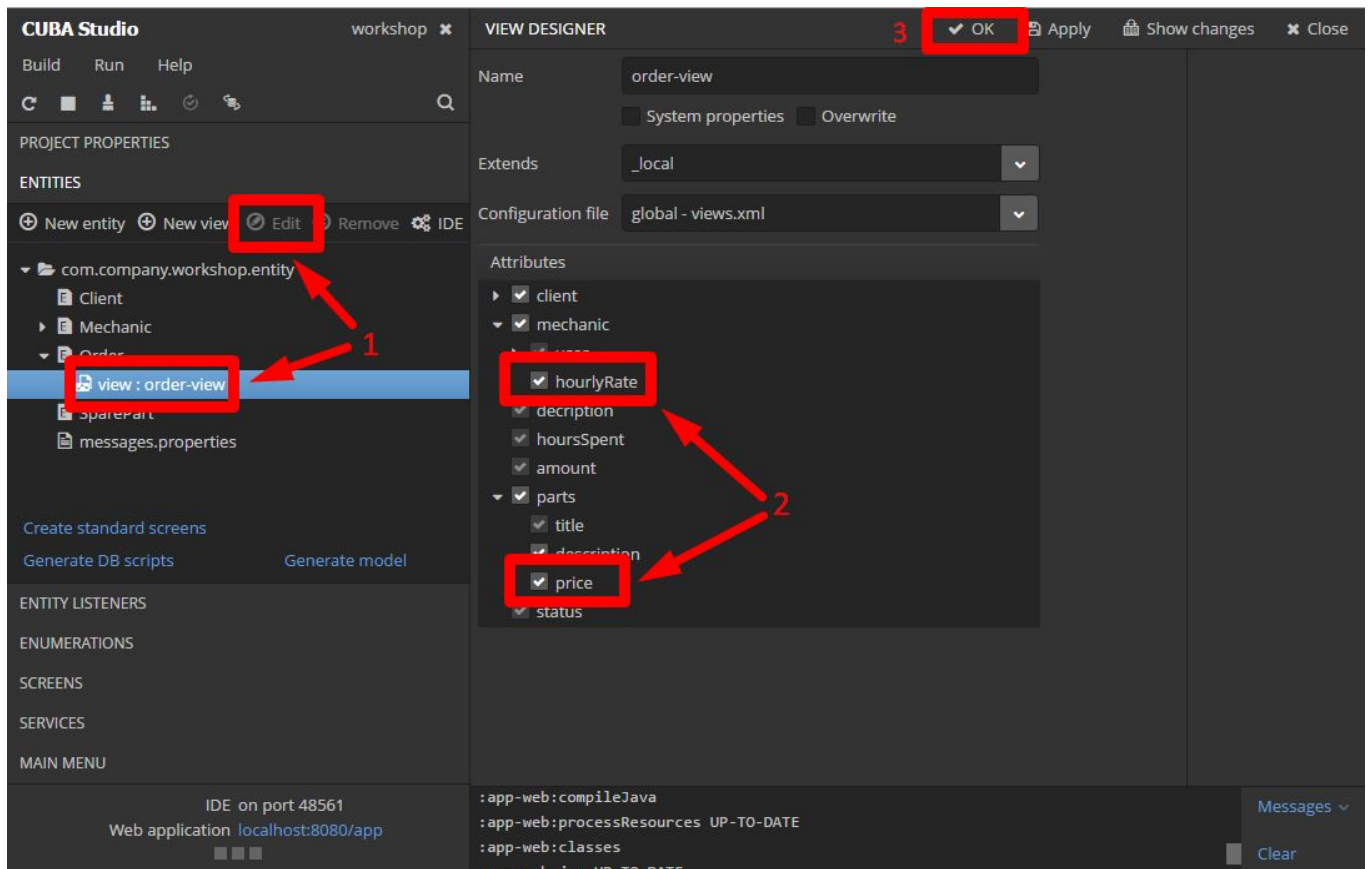
```
OrderBrowse onBtnSetReadyClick()
1 package com.company.workshop.web.order;
2
3 import com.company.workshop.entity.Order;
4 import com.company.workshop.entity.OrderStatus;
5 import com.haulmont.cuba.gui.components.AbstractLookup;
6 import com.haulmont.cuba.gui.components.Component;
7 import com.haulmont.cuba.gui.data.CollectionDatasource;
8
9 import javax.inject.Inject;
10 import java.util.UUID;
11
12 public class OrderBrowse extends AbstractLookup {
13
14
15     6 @Inject
16     private CollectionDatasource<Order, UUID> ordersDs;
17
18     7 public void onBtnNewStatusClick(Component source) {
19         Order selectedItem = ordersDs.getItem();
20         if (selectedItem != null) {
21             selectedItem.setStatus(OrderStatus.NEW);
22             ordersDs.commit();
23         }
24     }
25 }
```

8. In the same way create two more buttons: **Set as In Progress** and **Set as Ready**
9. **Open/Reopen** the Orders screen to see the mystery of hotdeploy. Now our mechanics can work with maximum productivity

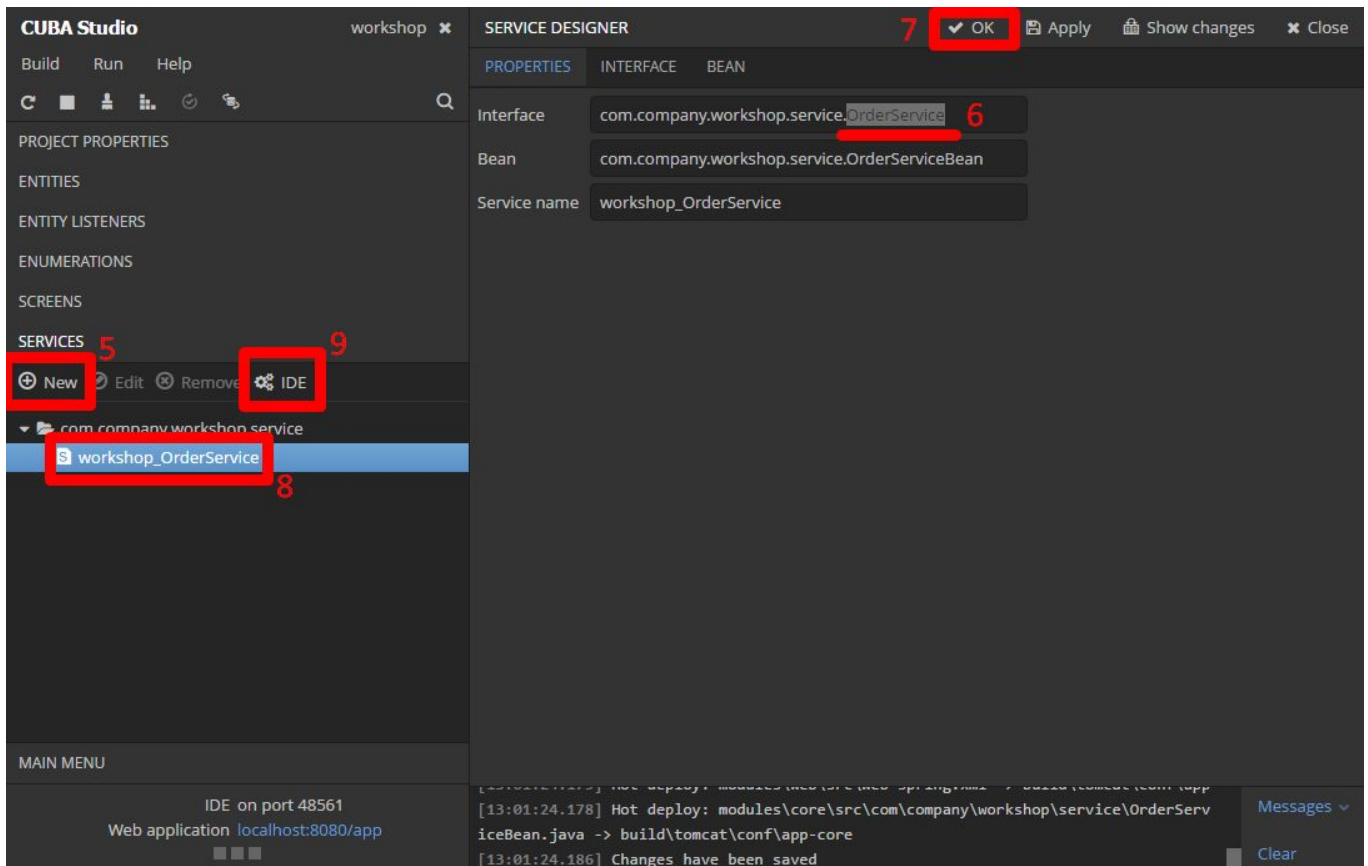
6.3 Business Logic Development

As the next step, let's add business logic to our system to calculate the order price when we save it in the edit screen. The amount will be based on the spare parts price and time spent by the mechanic.

1. To use mechanic hourly rate and prices for parts, we'll need to load this attribute, so we need to add it to **order-view**. In order to change the view switch to the Studio, open the Entities section of the Studio navigation panel, select the **order-view** item and click **Edit**
2. Include the **hourlyRate** and **price** for parts attributes to the view
3. Click **OK** to save the view. From now we will have access to the *hourlyRate* and *price* attributes from the orders screens (editor and browser)



4. Go to the **Services** section in the Studio
5. Click **New**
6. Change the last part of Interface name to **OrderService**
7. Click **OK**. The interface will be located in the global module, its implementation - in the core module. The service will be available for invocation for all clients that are connected to the middle tier of our application (web-client, portal, mobile clients or integration with third-party applications)
8. Select the **OrderService** item in the navigation panel
9. Click **IDE**



10. In the IntelliJ IDEA, we'll see the service interface, let's add the amount calculation method to it:
BigDecimal calculateAmount(Order order)

```

1  package com.company.workshop.service;
2
3
4  import com.company.workshop.entity.Order;
5
6  import java.math.BigDecimal;
7
8  public interface OrderService {
9      String NAME = "workshop_OrderService";
10
11     BigDecimal calculateAmount(Order order);
12 }

```

11. Go to **OrderServiceBean** using the green navigation icon at the left
 12. Implement the *caclulateAmount* method

```

@Service(OrderService.NAME)
public class OrderServiceBean implements OrderService {

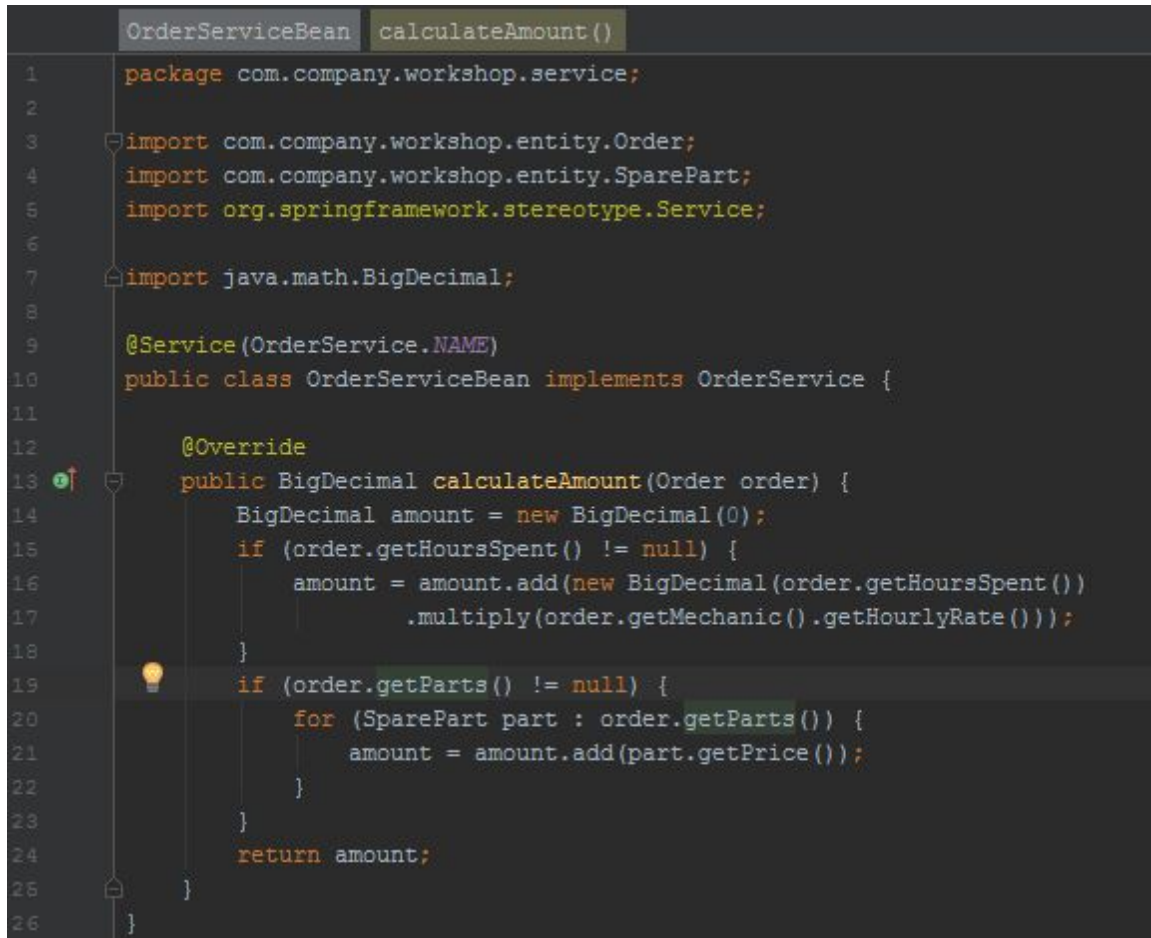
    @Override
    public BigDecimal calculateAmount(Order order) {
        BigDecimal amount = new BigDecimal(0);
        if (order.getHoursSpent() != null) {
            amount = amount.add(new BigDecimal(order.getHoursSpent()))
                .multiply(order.getMechanic().getHourlyRate());
        }
    }
}

```

```

        if (order.getParts() != null) {
            for (SparePart part : order.getParts()) {
                amount = amount.add(part.getPrice());
            }
        }
        return amount;
    }
}

```



The screenshot shows a code editor with the following content:

```

1  package com.company.workshop.service;
2
3  import com.company.workshop.entity.Order;
4  import com.company.workshop.entity.SparePart;
5  import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;
6
7  import java.math.BigDecimal;
8
9  @Service(OrderService.NAME)
10 public class OrderServiceBean implements OrderService {
11
12     @Override
13     public BigDecimal calculateAmount(Order order) {
14         BigDecimal amount = new BigDecimal(0);
15         if (order.getHoursSpent() != null) {
16             amount = amount.add(new BigDecimal(order.getHoursSpent())
17                                     .multiply(order.getMechanic().getHourlyRate()));
18         }
19         if (order.getParts() != null) {
20             for (SparePart part : order.getParts()) {
21                 amount = amount.add(part.getPrice());
22             }
23         }
24         return amount;
25     }
26 }

```

13. Go back to the Studio

14. Select the **order-edit.xml** screen in the **Screens** section of the navigation panel

15. Click **IDE**

16. Go to the screen controller (**OrderEdit** class)

17. Add **OrderService** field to class and annotate it with **@Inject** annotation

```

@Inject
private OrderService orderService;

```

18. Override the **preCommit()** method and invoke the calculation method of **OrderService**

```

@Override
protected boolean preCommit() {
    Order order = getItem();
    order.setAmount(orderService.calculateAmount(order));
    return super.preCommit();
}

```



```

OrderEdit preCommit()
1 package com.company.workshop.web.order;
2
3 import ...
4
5
6
7
8
9
10 public class OrderEdit extends AbstractEditor<Order> {
11
12     17 @Inject
13     private OrderService orderService;
14
15     @Override
16     18 protected boolean preCommit() {
17         Order order = getItem();
18         order.setAmount(orderService.calculateAmount(order));
19         return super.preCommit();
20     }
21
22     @Override
23     protected void initNewItem(Order item) {
24         super.initNewItem(item);
25         item.setStatus(OrderStatus.NEW);
26     }
27 }

```

19. Restart your application using the **Run — Restart application** action from the Studio
20. Open **Application — Orders** from the menu
21. Open **editor screen** for any order
22. Set **Hours Spent**
23. Click **OK** to save order
24. We can see a newly calculated value of the amount in the table

Client	Mechanic	Description	Hours Spent	Amount	Status
Alex 999-99-99	Jack [jack]	Broken chain	1	10	New
Freeman 111-11-11	Administrator [admin]	Wheels problem Unwanted changes happened. Can we track them?	3	74	New

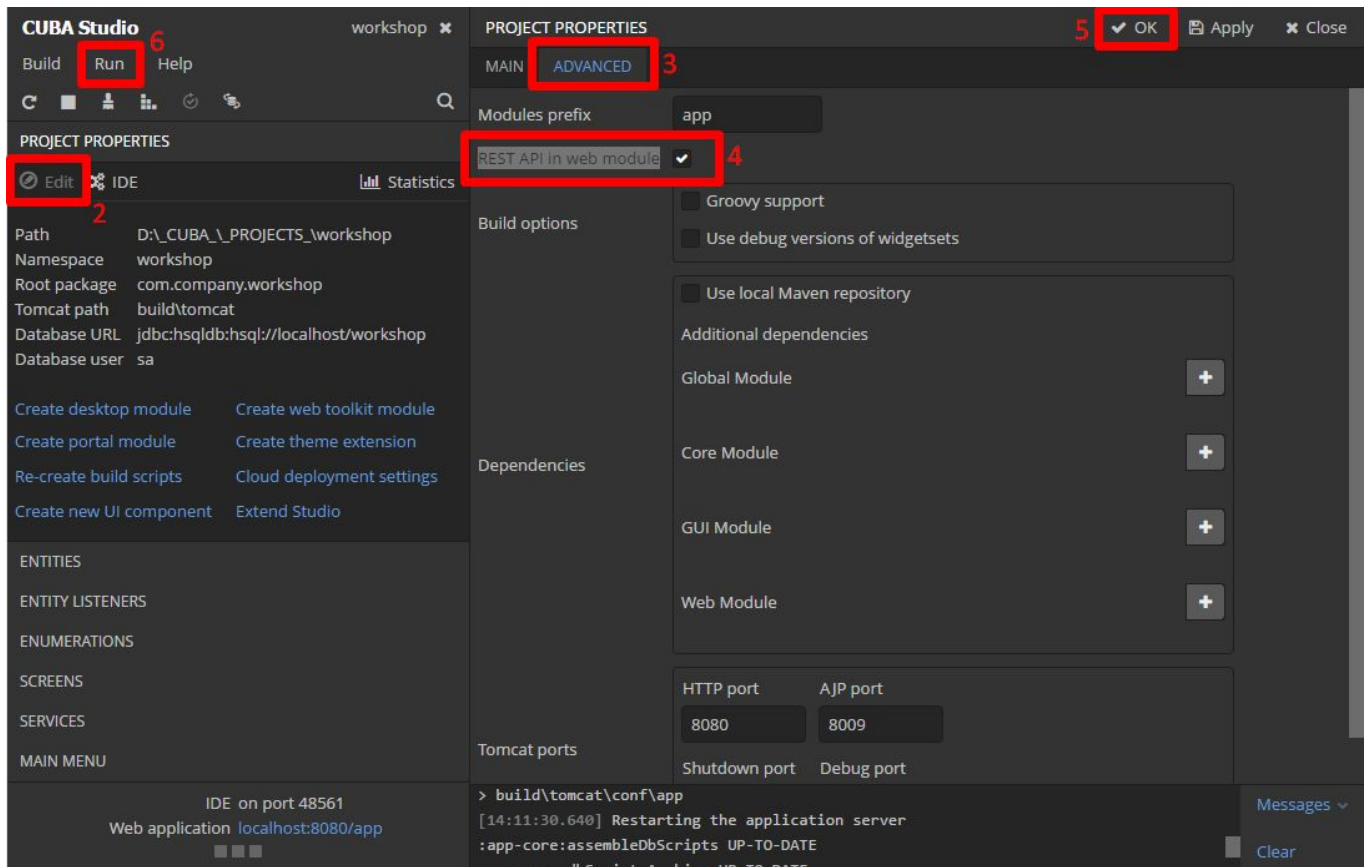
Now we can automatically calculate price based on spare parts used and time elapsed as it was mentioned in our functional specification!

6.4 REST API

Often enterprise systems have more than one client. In our example we have web client for our back office staff. In the future we could come with an idea of having a portal and/or a mobile application for our customers. For this purpose CUBA provides developers with the generic REST API.

1. Let's enable the Generic REST API in our application. Go to the **Project Properties** section of the navigation panel in the CUBA Studio
2. Press **Edit**
3. Move to the **Advanced** tab
4. Select the REST API in web module checkbox
5. Click **OK**

- Restart the application using the **Run — Restart application** action from the main menu of the Studio



- Let's try to get a list of orders using REST-API.

To start working with REST-API, you need to get the middle layer session using the login method as CUBA don't allow unauthorized access to data. You can invoke the login method right from the browser address bar: <http://localhost:8080/app/dispatch/api/login?u=admin&p=admin>.

Save the returned value, that represents your session id, because we will need it for the following request



- Let's load the list of new orders in JSON using the following query:

select o from workshop\$Order o where o.status = 10

REST-API request for this query will look as:

[http://localhost:8080/app/dispatch/api/query.json?e=workshop\\$Order&q=select+o+from+workshop\\$Order+o+where+o.status=10&s=\[INSERT YOUR SESSION ID FROM THE PREVIOUS STEP\]](http://localhost:8080/app/dispatch/api/query.json?e=workshop$Order&q=select+o+from+workshop$Order+o+where+o.status=10&s=[INSERT YOUR SESSION ID FROM THE PREVIOUS STEP])

```
localhost:8080/app/dispatch/api/query.json?e=workshop$Order&q=select+o+from
[
  {
    "id": "workshop$Order-5b00332f-3919-58be-5d25-8857911f6cbe",
    "amount": "10",
    "createTs": "2016-08-23 14:25:56.585",
    "createdBy": "admin",
    "description": "Broken chain",
    "deleteTs": null,
    "deletedBy": null,
    "hoursSpent": "1",
    "status": "10",
    "updateTs": "2016-08-26 13:59:45.077",
    "updatedBy": "admin"
  },
  {
    "id": "workshop$Order-774fa68a-21c4-0e73-9a8d-2263fbe37dbe",
    "amount": "74",
    "createTs": "2016-08-23 14:47:44.157",
    "createdBy": "admin",
    "description": "Wheels problem \nUnwanted changes happened. \nCan we track them?",
    "deleteTs": null,
    "deletedBy": null,
    "hoursSpent": "3",
    "status": "10",
    "updateTs": "2016-08-26 13:59:37.434",
    "updatedBy": "admin"
  }
]
```

That was the last requirement from the functional specification! Now the system is ready for production!

7 CONCLUSION

This is very small application for bicycle workshop management. It is simple, but can be applied for a real local workshop.

You can run it in production environment (including clouds) as is and it will be suitable for its purpose.

You can add much more functionality using CUBA additional modules, and this enables you to grow your application to a big strong solution.

