Module 4 Java Web Applications Spring Data Access



Spring and Enterprise Data Access

- Provide comprehensive data access support
 - Resource management
 - Connection management
 - Transaction management
 - Exception handling
- Enable a layered application architecture
 - To isolate business logic from the complexity of data access
- Support is provided for all major data access technologies
 - JDBC
 - JBoss Hibernate and JPA
 - Apache iBatis



Transaction Management Overview

- Spring provides a transaction management abstraction
- Implementation for all major data access technologies
 - Java Transaction API (JTA)
 - JDBC
 - Hibernate
 - Java Persistence API (JPA)
 - Java Data Objects (JDO)
- Declarative and Programmatic transaction management
- Integration with Spring's data access abstractions

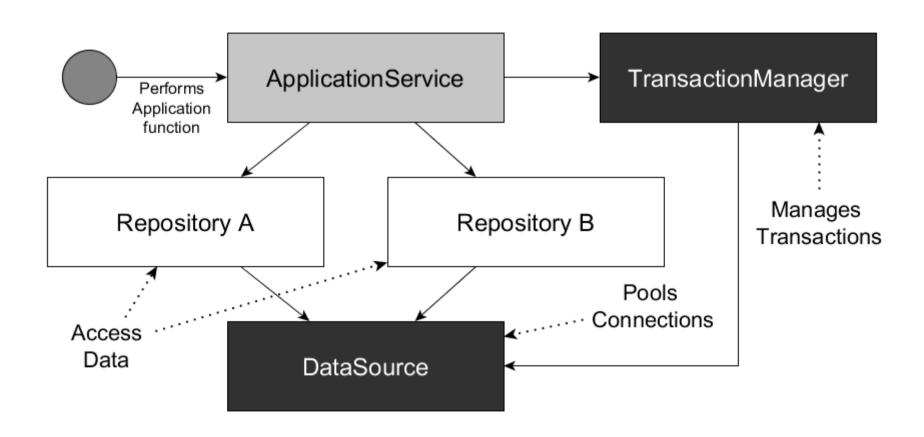


Data Source

- Spring uses a standard JDBC data source for acquiring connections
- It can integrate JEE container managed data source



Spring Data Access Integration





Database Access In Java

- Two specifications:
 - JDBC (Java Database Connectivity)
 - JPA (Java Persistence API)
- JDBC is low level
 - Access to everything from the DB
 - A lot of Java code needed even for simple things
- JPA is high level
 - Object-Relational mapping (ORM)
 - Automatic conversion between objects and database tables (views, stored procedures, cursors)



Spring JDBC

- Spring abstracts JDBC in order to
 - Reduce error prone code
 - Eliminate boilerplate code
 - Ease result sets processing
 - Handle exceptions properly



JDBC Abstraction Added Value

Spring's JDBC abstraction added value

Action	Spring	You
Define connection parameters		X
Open the connection	Χ	
Specify the SQL statement		X
Declare parameters and provide parameter values		X
Prepare and execute the statement	X	
Set up the loop to iterate through the results (if any)	X	
Do the work for each iteration		X
Process any exception	Χ	
Handle transactions	Χ	
Close the connection, statement and resultset	X	



JdbcTemplate

JdbcTemplate is central class in the Spring JDBC core

```
List results = jdbcTemplate.query(someSql,
new RowMapper(){
public Object mapRow(ResultSet rs, int row) throws SQLException{
   // map the current row to an object
      class JdbcTemplate {
});
         public List query(String sql, RowMapper rowMapper){
              try{
                   // acquire connection
                   // prepare statement
                   // execute statement
                   // for each row in the result set
                       results.add(rowMapper.mapRow(rs,rowNumber));
                    return results;
               } catch (SQLException e){
                   // convert to root cause exception
               } finally{
                   // release connection
```



Create a JdbcTemplate

Requires a DataSource

```
public class JdbcBookRepository implements BookRepository {
    private JdbcTemplate jdbcTemplate;

    public JdbcBookRepository(DataSource dataSource) {
        this.jdbcTemplate=new JdbcTemplate(dataSource);
    }
...
}
```

- Create a template once and re-use it
 - Thread safe after construction



Querying with JdbcTemplate

- JdbcTemplate can query for
 - Simple types (int, long, String)
 - Generic Maps
 - Domain Objects
- Can return each row of a ResultSet as Map
- When expecting a single row
 - Use queryForMap(..)
- When expecting multiple rows
 - Use queryForList(..)



RowMapper

- Generic interface for mapping a single row of ResultSet to an object
 - Can be used for both single and multiple row queries

```
public interface RowMapper<T> {
    T mapRow(ResultSet rs, int rowNum) throws SQLException;
}
```

```
class BookRowMapper implements RowMapper<Book>{
    @Override
    public Book mapRow(ResultSet rs, int rowNum) throws SQLException {
       return mapBook(rs);
    }
}
```



RowCallbackHandler

- You can use when there is no return object
 - Streaming rows to a file
 - Converting rows to XML
 - Filtering rows before adding to a Collection (SQL is preferable)

```
public class JdbcBorrowingsRepository {
  public void generateReport(Writter out){
    JdbcTemplate.query(query, new BorrowingsReportWritter(out);
  }
}
```

```
class BorrowingsReportWritter implements RowcallbackHandler{
  @Override
  public void processRow(ResultSet rs) throws SQLException {
      // parse current row from ResultSet and stream to output
  }
}
```



ResultSetExtractor

- Use for processing an entire ResultSet at once
 - You are responsible for iterating the ResultSet
 - e.g. for mapping entire ResultSet to a single data object

```
class BorrowingExtractor implements ResultSetExtractor<Borrowing>{
   @Override
   public Borrowing extractData(ResultSet rs) throws SQLException {
        // create Borrowing object from ResultSet
   }
}
```



Insert and Update



SQLException Handling

- SQLExceptions are not explicitly caught in most cases
- Can create a leaky abstraction
 - Must propagate if it is not caught
 - Catch and Wrap
 - Being swallowed
 - Bad portability
 - Testability suffers
- JdbcTemplate ensures that SQLExceptions are handled in a consistent and portable fashion
 - Resources are always released properly
 - Generic SQLExceptions are translated to DataAccessExceptions
 (refer org.springframework.dao package)



JDBC Namespace

- Provides support for embedded databases
- Useful for testing
- Supports H2, HSQL and Derby

```
<beans xmlns="http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xmlns:jdbc="http://www.springframework.org/schema/jdbc"
...

<jdbc:embedded-database id="dataSource">
    <jdbc:script location="classpath:schema.sql"/>
    <jdbc:script location="classpath:test-data.sql"/>
</jdbc:embedded-database>
...
</beans>
```



Java Persistence API (JPA)

- API for the management of persistence and object/relational mapping
- Build on top of JDBC
- POJO Persistence mode
- Part of the JEE specification
- Can be used outside JEE
- Vendor Independent



JPA General Concepts

- PersistenceUnit describes group of persistent classes
 - You can have multiple units per application
 - Defines JPA providers (Hibernate, Eclipselink,...)
 - Defines Transaction types (local, JTA)
- EntityManager represents a unit of work
 - Known as Persistent context
 - Corresponds at a higher-level to a connection
 - Manages persistent objects within unit of work
- EntityManagerFactory represents a single data source
 - Shareable and thread safe
 - Provides access to transactional EntityManager



JPA Providers

- Several major JPA spec implementations available
 - Jboss Hibernate
 - EclipseLink
 - Apache OpenJPA



JPA Mapping

- JPA requires metadata for mapping Java classes/properties to database tables/columns
 - Preferable is to use Java annotations
 - XML configuration also available
- JPA uses convention over configuration
 - No need to provide metadata for obvious
 - Metadata relies on defaults
- Support for relations mappings
 - Collections of entities
- Support for entities inheritance



JPA Annotations

```
@Entity
@Table(name="BOOK_TABLE")
public class Book {
    @Id
    private Long id;
    @Column(name="TITLE")
    private String title;
    private String author;
}
```



JPA Querying

- Several options for querying JPA entities
 - Retrieve objects by primary key
 - Retrieve objects with Java Persistence Query Language (JPQL)
 - Retrieve objects using native SQL



Setting Up EntityManagerFactory

- Spring supports three ways to setup EntityManagerFactory
 - LocalEntityManagerFactoryBean
 - LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean
 - JNDI lookup
- Requires persistence.xml configuration file
 - Stored in META-INF directory
 - Specifies Persistence Unit
 - JPA provider



persistence.xml



LocalEntityManagerFactoryBean

- Creates an EntityManagerFactory suitable for simple deployment environments where the application uses only JPA
- Useful for standalone applications and integration testing
 - Cannot specify a DataSource
 - No support for global transactions



LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean

- Provides full JPA capabilities
 - You can use with containers (Tomcat)
 - Standalone applications and integration tests
- Integrates with existing DataSources
- Useful when fine-grained customization needed



JNDI Lookup

Use this option when deploying to a Java EE server

```
<beans>
  <jee:jndi-lookup id="myEmf" jndi-name="persistence/myPersistenceUnit"/>
  </beans>
```



Spring Transactions and EntityManager

- To transparently participate in Spring Managed transactions
 - Configure FactoryBeans for building an EntityManagerFactory
 - Inject an EntityManager reference using @PersistenceContext anotation
- Define a Transaction Manager
 - JpaTransactionManager
 - JtaTransactionManager



JPA Dao Example

Notice there is no Spring dependency

```
public class JpaBookRepository implements BookRepository {
    @PersistenceContext
    private EntityManager entityManager;

    @Override
    public List<Book> findAll() {
        // use entityManager
    }
...
}
```



JPA Configuration

```
<beans>
 <bean id="entityManagerFactory"</pre>
       class="org.springframework.orm.jpa.LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean">
 cproperty name="dataSource" ref="libraryMasterDataSource"/>
 </bean>
 <bean id="transactionManager"</pre>
       class="org.springframework.orm.jpa.JpaTransactionManager">
 cproperty name="entityManagerFactory" ref="entityManagerFactory"/>
 </bean>
 <bean id="bookRepository" class="ite.librarymaster.dao.JpaBookRepository"/>
 <context:annotation-config/>
</beans>
```



Transparent Exception Translation

- Spring can translate PersistenceExceptions into DataAccessException out of the box
 - Annotate DAO class with @Repository annotation
 - Define a Spring-provided BeanPostProcessor

```
@Repository
public class JpaBookRepository implements BookRepository {
...
}
```