Hibernate

Bringing Java and SQL closer together



Hibernate

- An object-relational mapping (ORM) library for Java
- Allows us to interact with a database using regular Java objects
- Provides a closer relationship between your Java objects and tables in your database

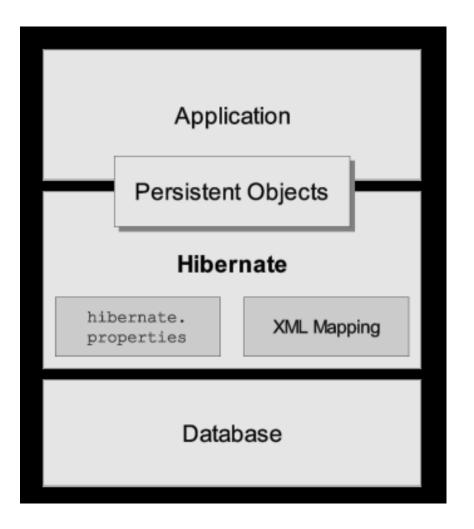




Overview



- Runs on top of JDBC
- Allows us to easily persist objects in a database
- Works with different database types, and so is an abstraction layer





Object mapping

```
class Patient {
  private int id;
  private String name;
  private Date dob;

...
}
```

Hibernate allows to associate database columns with class properties

id	name	dob
1	Ben	1993-04-21
2	Rowan	1981-05-28
3	Rita	1983-01-07



Object mapping

- We tell Hibernate how to map a Java class to a database table
- Hibernate can then
 - Save instances as new table rows
 - Load instances of that class from rows in the table
 - Update instances





Mapping files



We describe the relationship between a Java class and a database table in an XML file, e.g.



Mapping files



Java class name

Package of Java class

<hibernate-mapping ackage="eh203.emr">

Table name

</hibernate-ing>

Class property name

Column type

Table column name



Mapping files



Types are not Java or SQL types but special Hibernate mapping types

```
<hibernate-mapping package="eh203.emr">
    <class name="Patient" table="patients",</pre>
        <id name="id" column="patient id">
            <generator class="native"/>
        </id>
        cproperty name="dob" type="date" column="dob"/>
        property name="name"/>
    </class>
```

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When column name is not specified it defaults to the property name



Mapping types



- Often Hibernate can guess the correct type using reflection
- But sometimes we need to state the type explicitly, e.g.
 - Should a property of type java.util.Date map to a column of type TIMESTAMP, DATETIME or DATE?



Hibernate types (basic)

Hibernate mapping type	Java	SQL
integer, long, short, float, double, character, boolean	Primitive types, e.g. int	INT, BIGINT etc
string	java.lang.String	VARCHAR
text	java.lang.String	TEXT, CLOB
binary	byte[]	BINARY

See http://docs.jboss.org/hibernate/stable/core/reference/en/html/mapping.html#mapping-types



Hibernate types (dates)



These require some extra attention...

Hibernate mapping type	Java	SQL
date	java.util.Date	DATE
time	java.util.Date	TIME
timestamp	java.util.Date	TIMESTAMP
calendar	java.util.Calendar	TIMESTAMP
calendar_date	java.util.Calendar	DATE

See http://docs.jboss.org/hibernate/stable/core/reference/en/html/mapping.html#mapping-types



Ids and keys



Primary keys in the database have to be linked to "id" properties on the class, e.g.



Bean properties



- The mapping files reference the names of the properties of the class as a Java Bean
- They are NOT the names of the fields, e.g.

```
class BadFather {
  private int snake;
  public int getFish() {
    return snake;
  }
}
```



BadFather

Properties:
fish



XML configuration

For example...

</session-factory>
</hibernate-configuration>

```
settings
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='utf-8'?>
<!DOCTYPE hibernate-configuration PUBLIC</p>
   "-//Hibernate/Hibernate Configuration DTD 3.0//EN"
   "http://hibernate.sourceforge.net/hibernate-configuration-3.0.dtd">
<hibernate-configuration>
 <session-factory>
   property name="connection.driver_class">org.hsqldb.jdbcDriver/property>
   property name="connection.url">jdbc:hsqldb:hsql://localhost/property>
   property
   property name="connection.password">dbpass/property>
   connection.pool_size">1
   cproperty name="show_sql">true
   property name="hbm2ddl.auto">update/property>
   <mapping resource="pharmacy/domain/Patient.hbm.xrm"/-</p>
                                                Mapping files
```

Database

connection

Configuration

- Different values for hbm2ddl.auto tell Hibernate what do to the database schema when starting up...
 - validate: validate the schema, makes no changes to the database.
 - *update*: update the schema.
 - create: creates the schema, destroying previous data.
 - create-drop: drop the schema at the end of the session.



Configuration

- Setting the value of show_sql to true allows us to see all of the SQL which Hibernate executes
- We can use Hibernate with different types of SQL server by changing the value of dialect – to use MySQL we set it to...

org.hibernate.dialect.MySQLDialect



Project structure

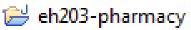
Java bean classes

Corresponding mapping XML files

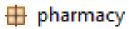
Standard utility class to create Hibernate sessions

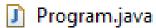
Hibernate configuration file

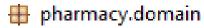
Hibernate JAR and other required JARS











Patient.java

X Patient.hbm.xml

pharmacy.util

HibernateUtil.java

k hibernate.cfg.xml

📥 JRE System Library [JavaSE-1.6]

👼 hibernate3.jar

🔤 dom4j-1.6.1.jar

👼 slf4j-api-1.5.8.jar

🔤 slf4j-simple-1.5.8.jar

🔁 lib

dom4j-1.6.1.jar

hibernate3.jar

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👔 slf4j-simple-1.5.8.jar



Creating domain objects: classes

```
public class Patient {
 protected int patientId;
  protected String name;
  protected Date dob;
 public Patient()
  public Patient(String name, Date dob) {
    this.name = name;
    this.dob = dob;
  public int getPatientId()
    return patientId;
```

Hibernate requires classes with default constructors

We can also define an explicit constructor for our use

All properties are accessed through BEAN methods

HibernateUtil

- This is a utility class that we can put in our Hibernate projects
- Why isn't it part of the Hibernate library??? Who knows...
- Simply allows to get a valid Hibernate session object anytime we need one, e.g.

```
Session session
   = HibernateUtil.getSessionFactory().getCurrentSession();
```



Persisting objects

We can use the Hibernate session object to persist an instance of a mapped class, e.g.

Creates a new row in the database



Persisting objects

We can make changes to persisted object and then tell Hibernate to update the database, e.g.

```
Patient patient = new Patient("Bob", new Date());
session.beginTransaction();
session.save(patient);

patient.setName("Bob Jones");
session.save(patient);

patient.setName("Bob Jones");
session.save(patient);
session.getTransaction().commit();
Updates the existing row in the database
```



Persisting objects

Hibernate looks at the id property of an object to know if it is already in the database, e.g.

```
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session.beginTransaction();

session.save(patient);
patient.setName("Bob Jones");
session.save(patient);
session.save(patient);
session.getTransaction().commit();

Hibernate knows to
UPDATE rather than
CREATE because
id > 0
```

