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1. Overview

- Room provides an abstraction layer over SQLite to allow fluent database access while harnessing the full power of SQLite.
- In order to use Room in your app, you need to add dependency to your app's build.gradle file

```
implementation "android.arch.persistence.room:runtime:1.0.0"  
annotationProcessor "android.arch.persistence.room:compiler:1.0.0"
```

- There are three major components in Room:
 1. **Database:**
 2. **Entity:** Represents a table within the database
 3. **DAO:** Contains the method used for accessing the database

2. Room components

1. Database

- Contains the database holder and serves as the main access point for the underlying connection to your app's persisted, relational data.
- Database class should satisfied the follow condition:
 - Be an abstract class that extends `RoomDatabase`
 - Be annotate with `@Database`
 - Include the list of entities associated with the database within the annotation
 - Contain an abstract method that has 0 argument and return the class that is annotated with `@Dao`
- At runtime, you can get an instance of Database by calling `Room.databaseBuilder()` or `Room.inMemoryDatabaseBuilder()`

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- **Example**

```
@Database(version = 1, entities = {User.class, Book.class})
abstract class AppDatabase extends RoomDatabase {
    // BookDao is a class annotated with @Dao.
    abstract public BookDao bookDao();
    // UserDao is a class annotated with @Dao.
    abstract public UserDao userDao();
    // UserBookDao is a class annotated with @Dao.
    abstract public UserBookDao userBookDao();
}
```

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2. Entity:

- represent the table within the data
- Define a set of related fields as entities
- For each entity, table is created within the associated Database object to hold the data
- By default, Room creates a column for each field that's defined in the entity.
- You must be reference the entity class through the **entities** array in the Database class

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2. Entity:

```
@Entity
class User {
    @PrimaryKey
    public int id;

    public String firstName;
    public String lastName;

    @Ignore
    Bitmap picture;
}
```


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2. Entity:

- List of annotations in entity class
 - `@Entity`: annotated the class that you want to create entity
 - `@PrimaryKey`: annotate the field of entity class to define at least 1 field as a primarykey
 - `@Ignore`: annotate the field of entity class that you don't want to persist
 - `@ColumnInfo`: annotate the field of entity class that you want a column to have a different name
 - `@Index`: annotate indices and uniqueness.
 - to add indices to an entity, you have to include the **indices** property with the `@Entity` annotation, listing the name of columns that you want to include index
 - Also use `@Index` to enforce the uniqueness property by setting the **unique** property of an `@Index` annotation to true
 - `@ForeignKey`: define relationship between object. You have to include `foreignkeys` property with `@Entity` annotation
 - `@Embedded`: annotate the **reference field** (**public Address address**) that you want to create nested objects

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@Entity example

```
@Entity(tableName = "users")
class User {
    ...
}
```

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@PrimaryKey example

```
@Entity
class User {
    @PrimaryKey
    public int id;

    public String firstName;
    public String lastName;

    @Ignore
    Bitmap picture;
}
```

```
@Entity(primaryKeys = {"firstName", "lastName"})
class User {
    public String firstName;
    public String lastName;

    @Ignore
    Bitmap picture;
}
```

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@ColumnInfo example

```
@Entity(tableName = "users")
class User {
    @PrimaryKey
    public int id;

    @ColumnInfo(name = "first_name")
    public String firstName;

    @ColumnInfo(name = "last_name")
    public String lastName;

    @Ignore
    Bitmap picture;
}
```

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@Index example

```
@Entity(indices = {@Index("name"),
                    @Index(value = {"last_name",
                                    "address"})})
class User {
    @PrimaryKey
    public int id;

    public String firstName;
    public String address;

    @ColumnInfo(name = "last_name")
    public String lastName;

    @Ignore
    Bitmap picture;
}
```

```
@Entity(indices = {@Index(value =
{"first_name", "last_name"},
    unique = true)})
class User {
    @PrimaryKey
    public int id;

    @ColumnInfo(name = "first_name")
    public String firstName;

    @ColumnInfo(name = "last_name")
    public String lastName;

    @Ignore
    Bitmap picture;
}
```

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@ForeignKey example

```
@Entity(foreignKeys = @ForeignKey(entity = User.class,  
                                   parentColumns = "id",  
                                   childColumns = "user_id"))  
  
class Book {  
    @PrimaryKey  
    public int bookId;  
  
    public String title;  
  
    @ColumnInfo(name = "user_id")  
    public int userId;  
}
```

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@Embedded example

```
class Address {  
    public String street;  
    public String state;  
    public String city;  
  
    @ColumnInfo(name = "post_code")  
    public int postCode;  
}
```

```
@Entity  
class User {  
    @PrimaryKey  
    public int id;  
  
    public String firstName;  
  
    @Embedded  
    public Address address;  
}
```

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3. Dao(Data access object)

- This layer is use to access your app' data
- the set of Dao object form the main component of room
- Each DAO includes method that offer abstract access to your app's database
- A Dao can be either an interface or an abstract class.
- Room create each Dao implementation at compile time.
- By accessing a database using a DAO class instead if query builders or direct queries
- It allow you to easily mock database access as you test you app

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Note: Room doesn't support database access on the main thread unless you have called `allowMainThreadQueries()` on the builder because it might lock the UI for a long period of time.

- **Dao** class contain all methods that allow you to query, insert, delete, and update data
- **Define methods for convenience**
 - Insert: Create a DAO method and annotate it with `@Insert`

```
@Dao
public interface MyDao {
    @Insert(onConflict = OnConflictStrategy.REPLACE)
    public void insertUsers(User... users);

    @Insert
    public void insertBothUsers(User user1, User user2);

    @Insert
    public void insertUsersAndFriends(User user, List<User>
friends);
}
```

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- **Define methods for convenience**

- Update: the update convenience method modifies a set of entities. You just create a method and annotate with @Update

```
@Dao
public interface MyDao {
    @Update
    public void updateUser(User... users);
}
```

- Delete: Annotate the method with @Delete

```
@Dao
public interface MyDao {
    @Delete
    public void deleteUser(User... users);
}
```

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- **Query in formation**

- Simple queries

```
@Dao
public interface MyDao {
    @Query("SELECT * FROM user")
    public User[] loadAllUsers();
}
```

- Passing parameter into query

```
@Dao
public interface MyDao {
    @Query("SELECT * FROM user WHERE age > :minAge")
    public User[] loadAllUsersOlderThan(int minAge);
}
```

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- **Query in formation**

- Returning subse of columns

```
public class NameTuple {  
    @ColumnInfo(name="first_name")  
    public String firstName;  
  
    @ColumnInfo(name="last_name")  
    public String lastName;  
}
```

```
@Dao  
public interface MyDao {  
    @Query("SELECT first_name, last_name FROM user")  
    public List<NameTuple> loadFullName();  
}
```

- Querying multiple tables

```
@Dao  
public interface MyDao {  
    @Query("SELECT * FROM book "  
        + "INNER JOIN loan ON loan.book_id = book.id "  
        + "INNER JOIN user ON user.id = loan.user_id "  
        + "WHERE user.name LIKE :userName")  
    public List<Book> findBooksBorrowedByName(String userName);  
}
```

3. Database Migration

- When you change or add new entities you must increase database version in @Database annotation
- There are two steps to migrate your database
 - You must increase database version in @Database annotation
 - You must provide Migration to update you database objects. In this way it will keep all data in your database
 - Or call **fallbackToDestructiveMigration()** method in the builder in case Room will re-create all of the tables
- Use call **fallbackToDestructiveMigration()** method:

```
INSTANCE= Room.databaseBuilder(context,AppRoomDatabase.class,DATABASE_NAME)  
    .allowMainThreadQueries()  
    .fallbackToDestructiveMigration()  
    //.addMigrations(MIGRATION_1_2)  
    .build();
```

3. Database Migration (continue)

- **Implement Migration to update you database objects**
 - Create a Migration object

```
public static final Migration MIGRATION_1_2= new Migration(CURRENT_DATABASE_VERSION,  
                                                         NEXT_DATABASE_VERSION) {  
    @Override  
    public void migrate(@NonNull SupportSQLiteDatabase database) {  
        //Log.e("db-current-version-> ",database.getVersion()+"");  
        database.execSQL("alter table Category add sub_category TEXT;");  
    }  
};
```

3. Database Migration (continue)

- Call addMigration(mMigration)

```
INSTANCE= Room.databaseBuilder(context,AppRoomDatabase.class,DATABASE_NAME)  
    .allowMainThreadQueries()  
    .addMigrations(MIGRATION_1_2)  
    .build();
```