

Mastering Hibernate

The Ultimate Guide to Java ORM

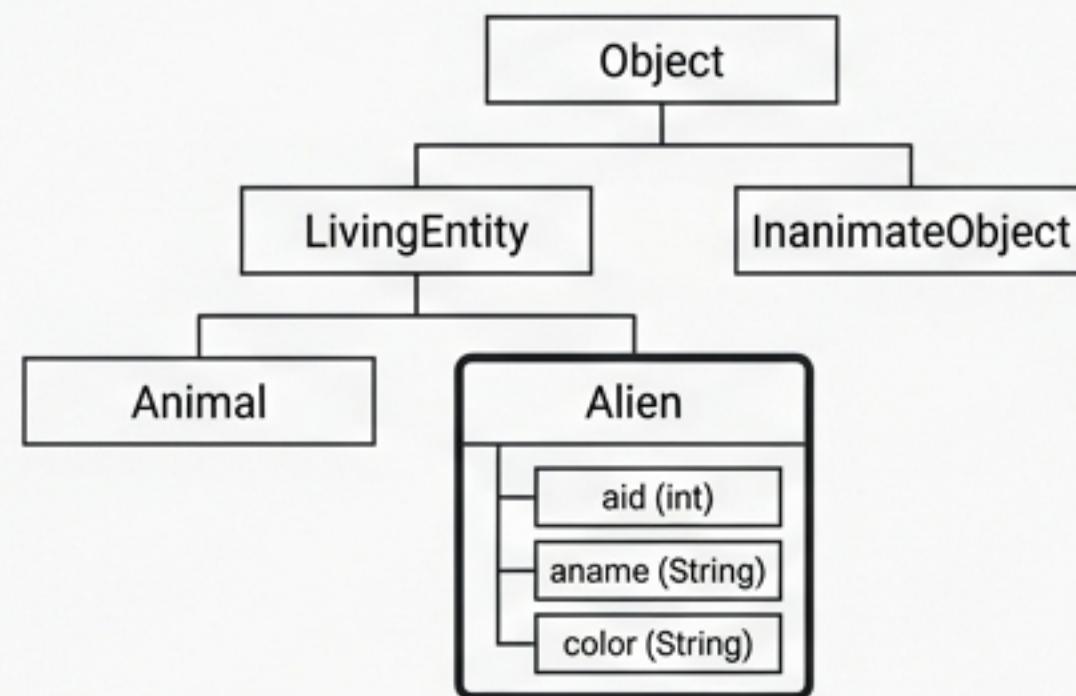


Based on the Telusko Hibernate Tutorial

The Impedance Mismatch

Bridging Objects and Relations

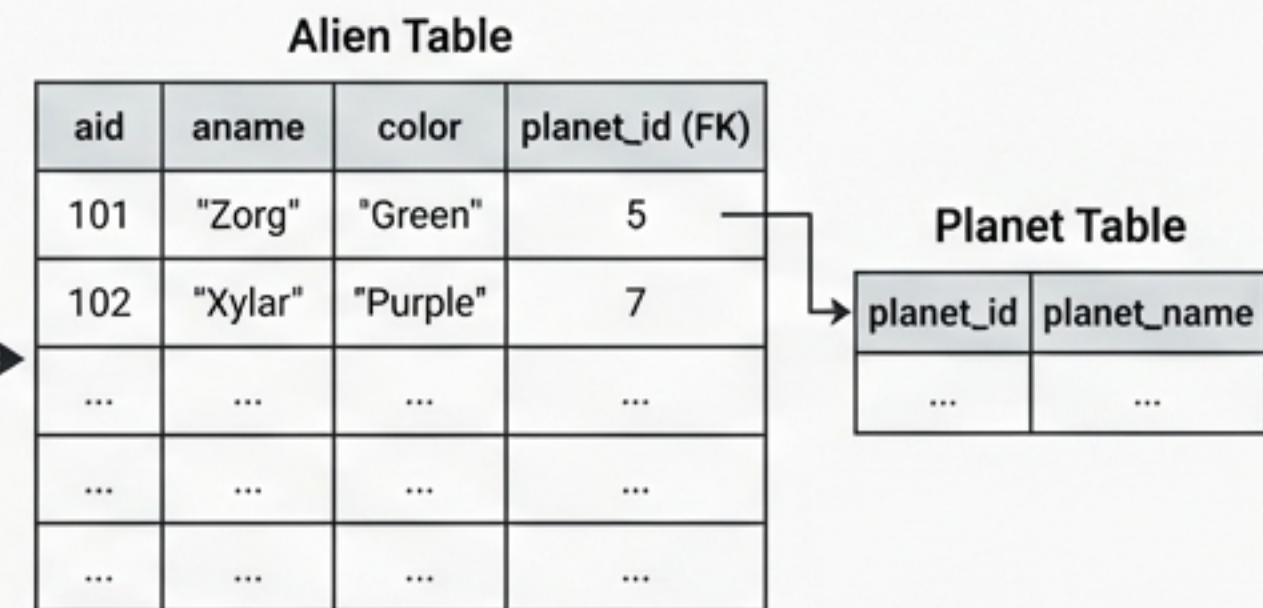
Java (OOP)



- Inheritance & Polymorphism
- Transient Data (In Memory)
- Example: Alien Object (aid, aname, color)

```
Alien Object {
    aid: 101, aname: "Zorg",
    color: "Green"
}
```

Database (RDBMS)



Hibernate automates the translation, allowing developers to persist data without writing complex JDBC.

- Tables & Foreign Keys
- Persistent Data (On Disk)
- Example: Alien Table (columns: aid, aname, color)

```
CREATE TABLE Alien
    (aid INT PRIMARY KEY,
    aname VARCHAR(50),
    color VARCHAR(20));
```

The Foundation: Maven & Configuration

Dependency Management (pom.xml)

```
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.hibernate</groupId>
    <artifactId>hibernate-core</artifactId>
    <version>5.4.x</version>
</dependency>
<dependency>
    <groupId>mysql</groupId>
    <artifactId>mysql-connector-java</artifactId>
    <version>8.0.x</version>
</dependency>
```

The Control Center (hibernate.cfg.xml)

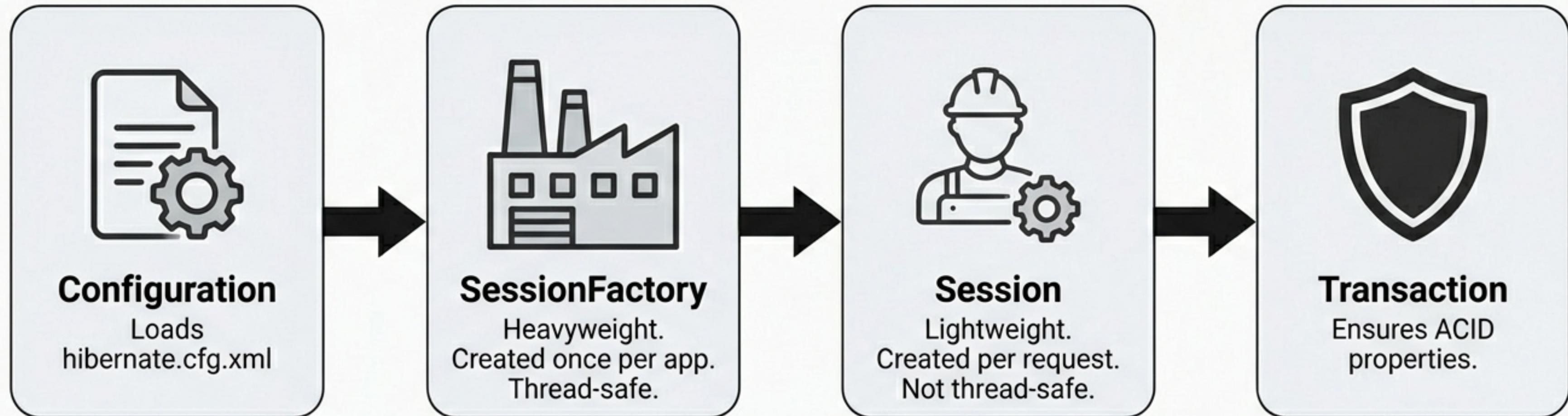
```
<hibernate-configuration>
    <session-factory>
        <!-- Database Connection -->
        <property name="connection.url">jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/neon</property>
        <property name="connection.username">root</property>

        <!-- The Translator -->
        <property name="dialect">org.hibernate.dialect.MySQLDialect</property>

        <!-- Schema Management -->
        <property name="hbm2ddl.auto">update</property>
    </session-factory>
</hibernate-configuration>
```

update = alters schema safely;
create = drops and recreates
(dataloss risk).

Core Architecture: The Factory Pattern



```
Configuration con = new Configuration().configure().addAnnotatedClass(Alien.class);
SessionFactory sf = con.buildSessionFactory();
Session session = sf.openSession();
```

```
Transaction tx = session.beginTransaction();
// ... Database Operations ...
tx.commit();
```

Mapping an Entity: The Alien Class

The Java Definition

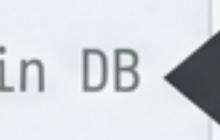
```
@Entity  
public class Alien {  
    @Id  
    private int aid;  
  
    @Column(name="alien_name")  
    private String fname;  
  
    @Transient // Not stored in DB  
    private String nickname;  
  
    private String color;  
}
```



Defines class as a database table.



Primary Key.



Ignored by Hibernate.

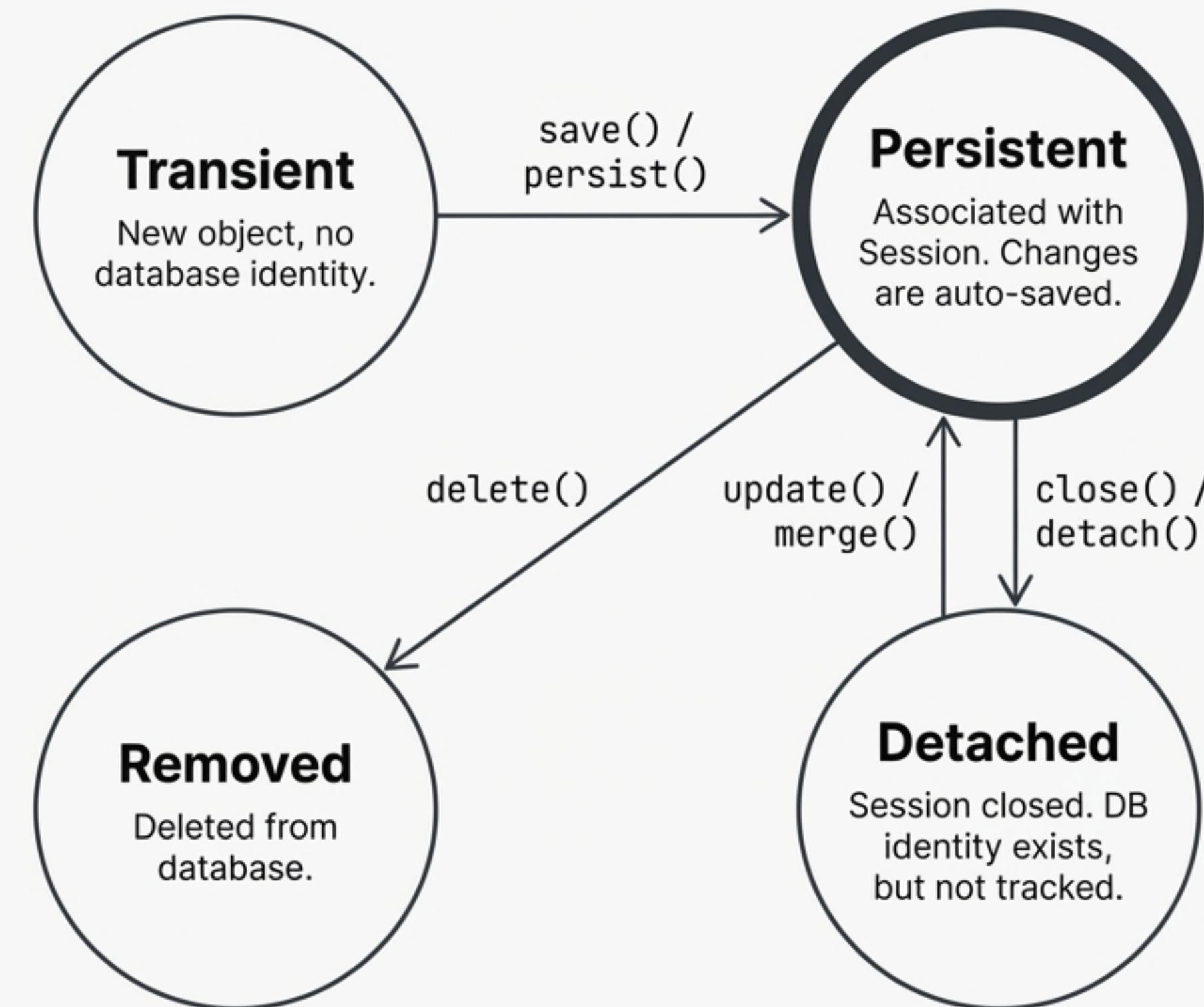
The Persistence Operation

```
Alien telusko = new Alien();  
telusko.setAid(101);  
telusko.setAname("Naveen");  
telusko.setColor("Green");  
  
session.save(telusko);
```

Result:

```
INSERT INTO Alien (aid, alien_name,  
color) VALUES (101, 'Naveen', 'Green');
```

The Persistence Lifecycle: Object States



Fetching Strategies: get() vs load()

```
session.get(Alien.class, 101)
```

Execution: Eager. Hits the database immediately.

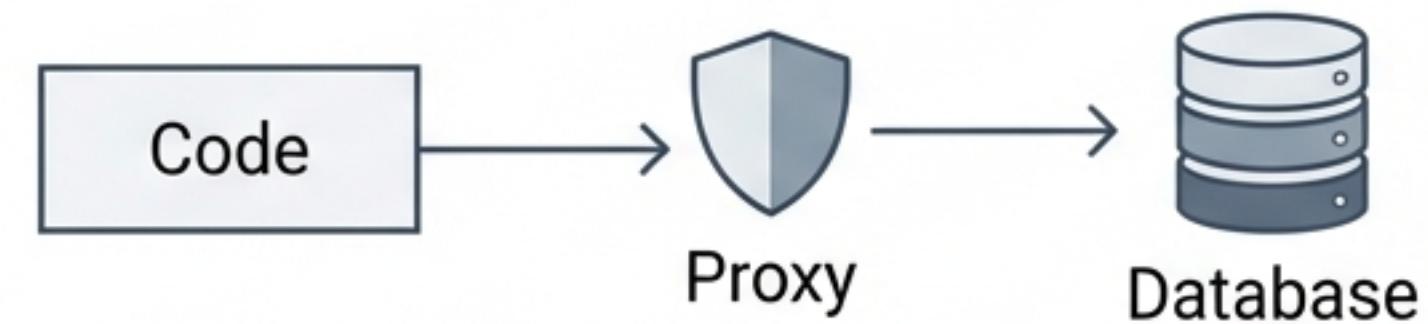


Result: Returns the real Object or `null`.

Use Case: When you aren't sure if the object exists.

```
session.load(Alien.class, 101)
```

Execution: Lazy. Hits database only when data is accessed.

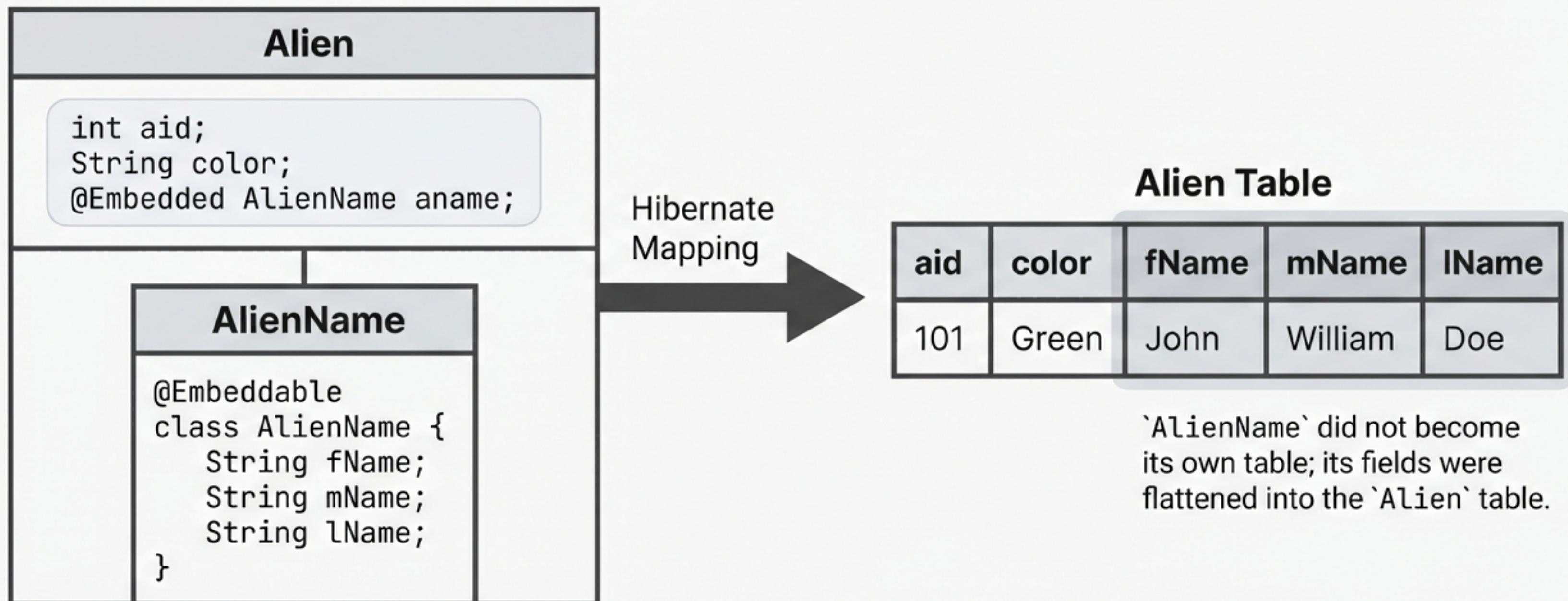


Result: Returns a Proxy (placeholder). Throws `ObjectNotFoundException` if missing.

Use Case: Performance optimization. When you only need the reference.

Composition: Embeddable Objects

Mapping complex objects to a single table.



Mapping Relationships: 1-to-1 & 1-to-Many

One-to-One (@OneToOne)

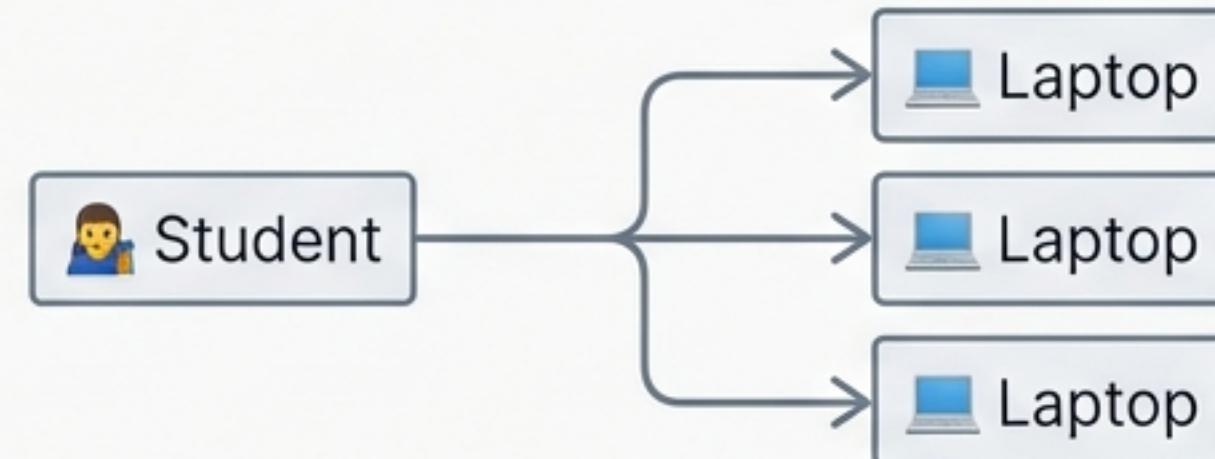
A Student has one Laptop.



```
@OneToOne  
private Laptop laptop;
```

One-to-Many (@OneToMany)

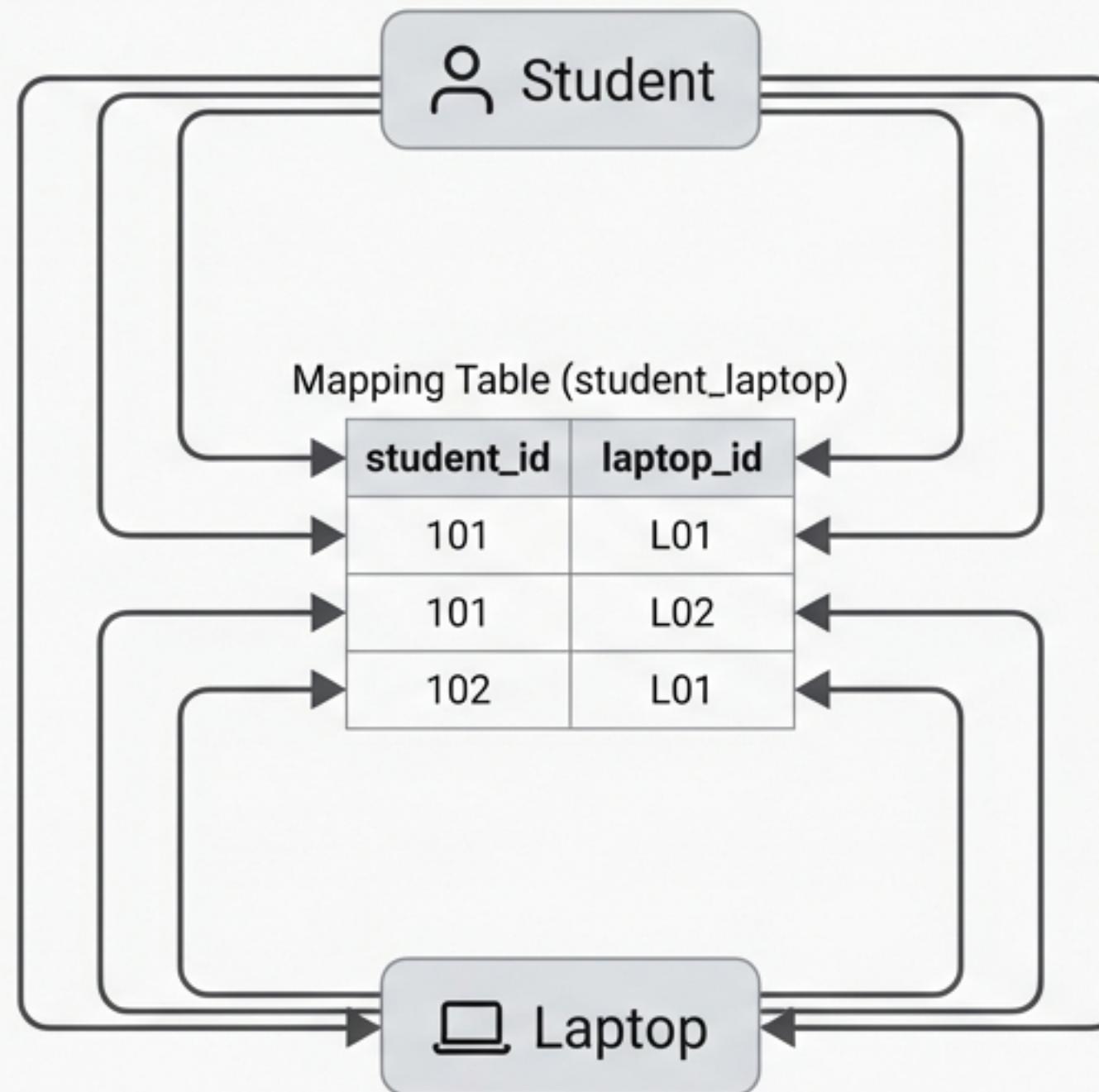
A Student has a list of Laptops.



```
@OneToMany(mappedBy="student")  
private List<Laptop> laptops = new ArrayList<>();
```

Advanced Relationships: Many-to-Many

Handling complex associations with @ManyToMany



MappedBy

⚠ Without configuration, Hibernate creates two mapping tables.

✓ Use 'mappedBy' to designate the owner.

```
@ManyToMany(mappedBy="student")  
private List<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();
```

Tells Hibernate: 'The other side handles the link.
Don't create a duplicate table.'

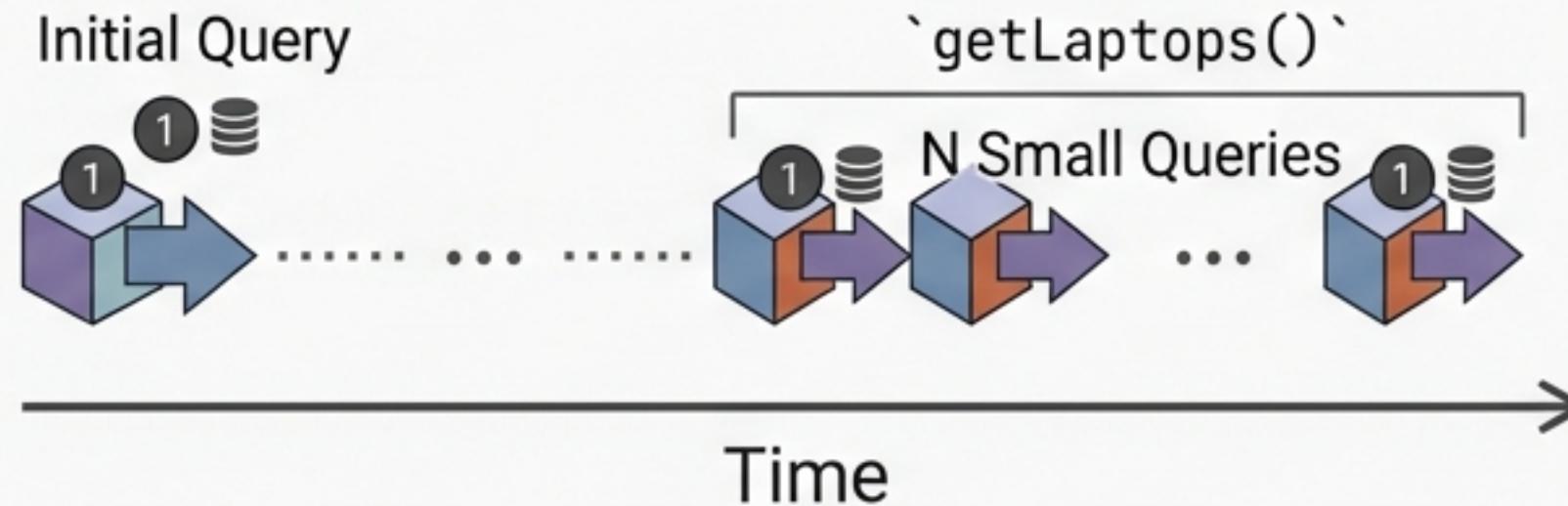
Performance Tuning: Fetch Types

The "Boss" Analogy.

Lazy Fetching (Default)

Efficient. Waits to be asked.

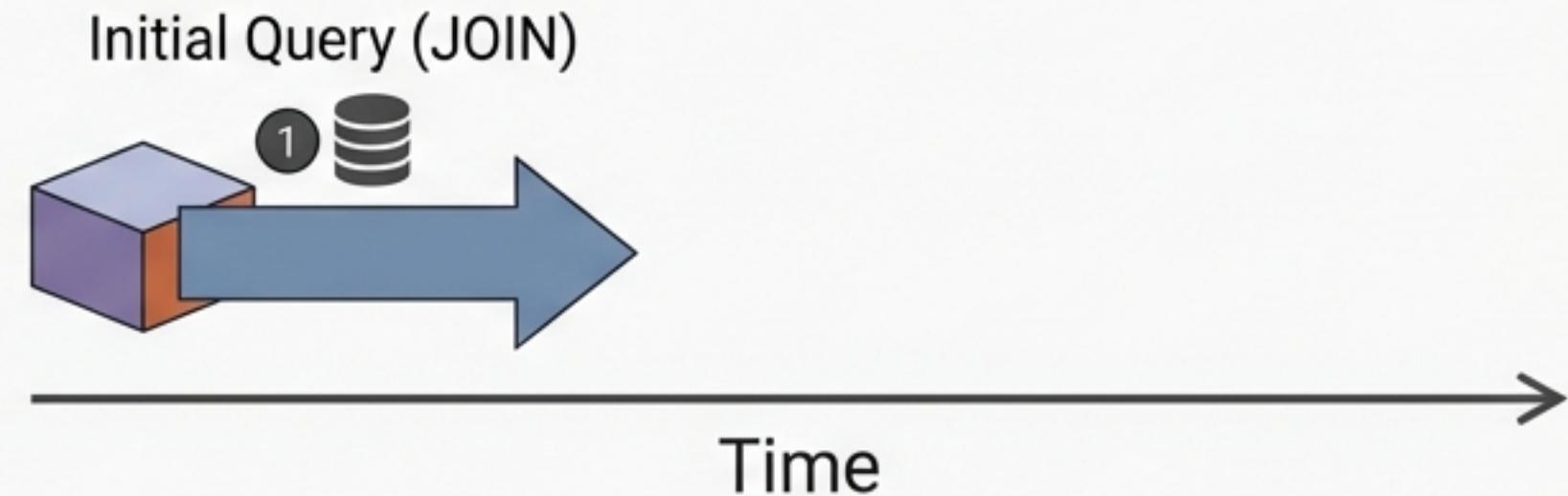
```
fetch = FetchType.LAZY
```



Eager Fetching

Heavy. Loads everything upfront.

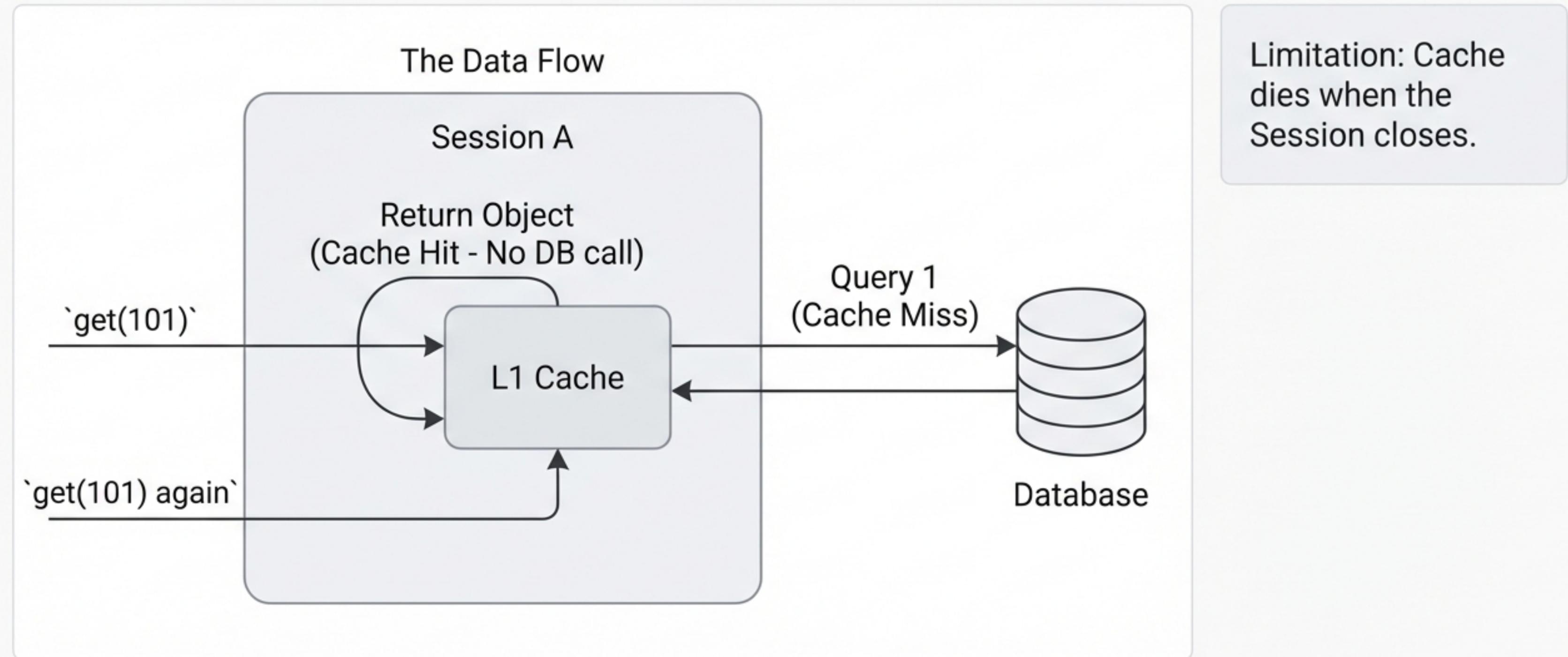
```
fetch = FetchType.EAGER
```



Lazy avoids fetching data you don't need. Eager avoids the N+1 problem if you know you need everything.

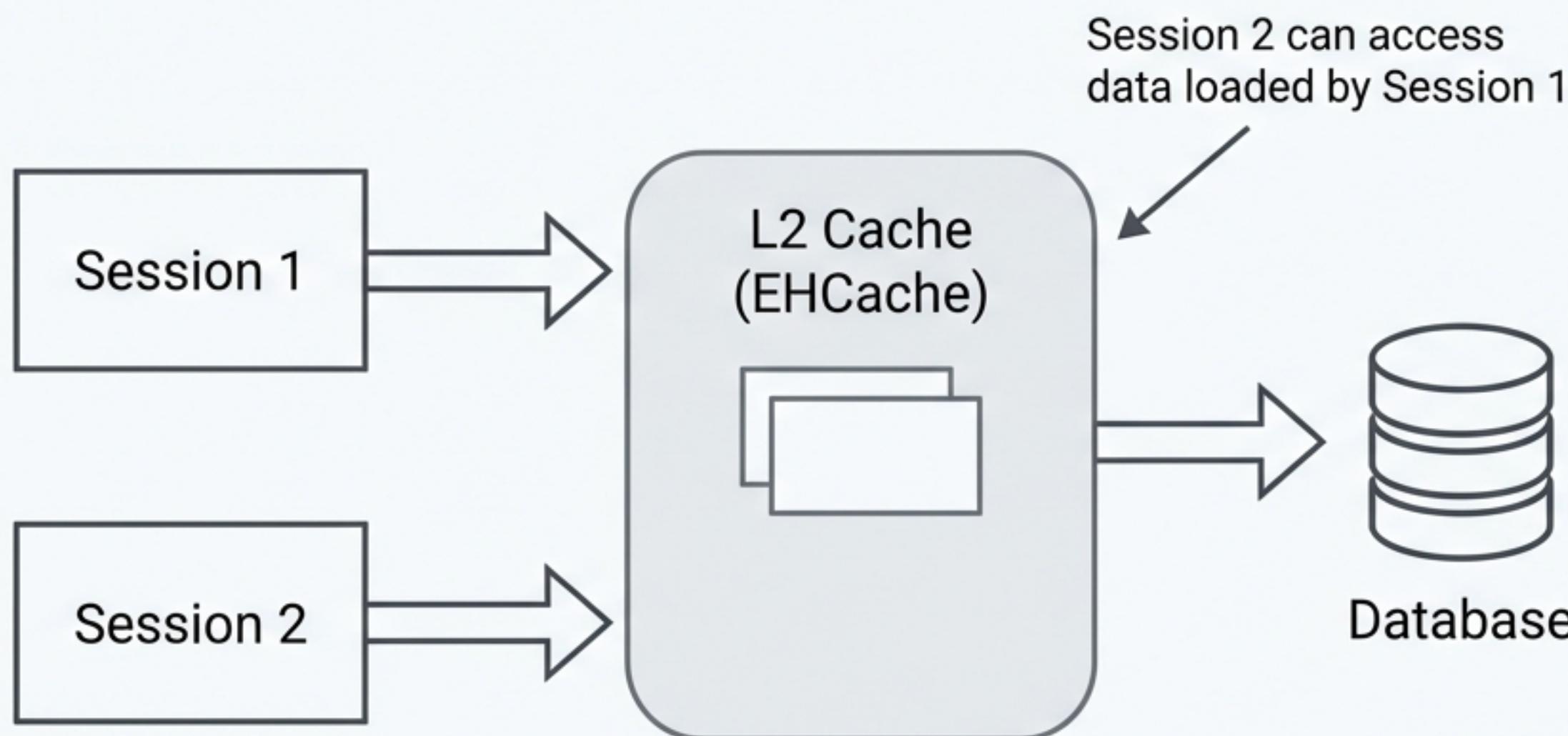
Caching Level 1: The Session Cache

Enabled by default. Scoped to the transaction.



Caching Level 2: Global Caching (EHCache)

Sharing data across multiple sessions.



Configuration Checklist

1. Dependency:

```
hibernate-ehcache
```

2. Config:

```
hibernate.cache.use_second_level_cache = true
```

3. Factory:

```
EhCacheRegionFactory
```

4. Annotation:

```
@Cacheable &  
@Cache(usage=READ_ONLY)
```

HQL: Hibernate Query Language

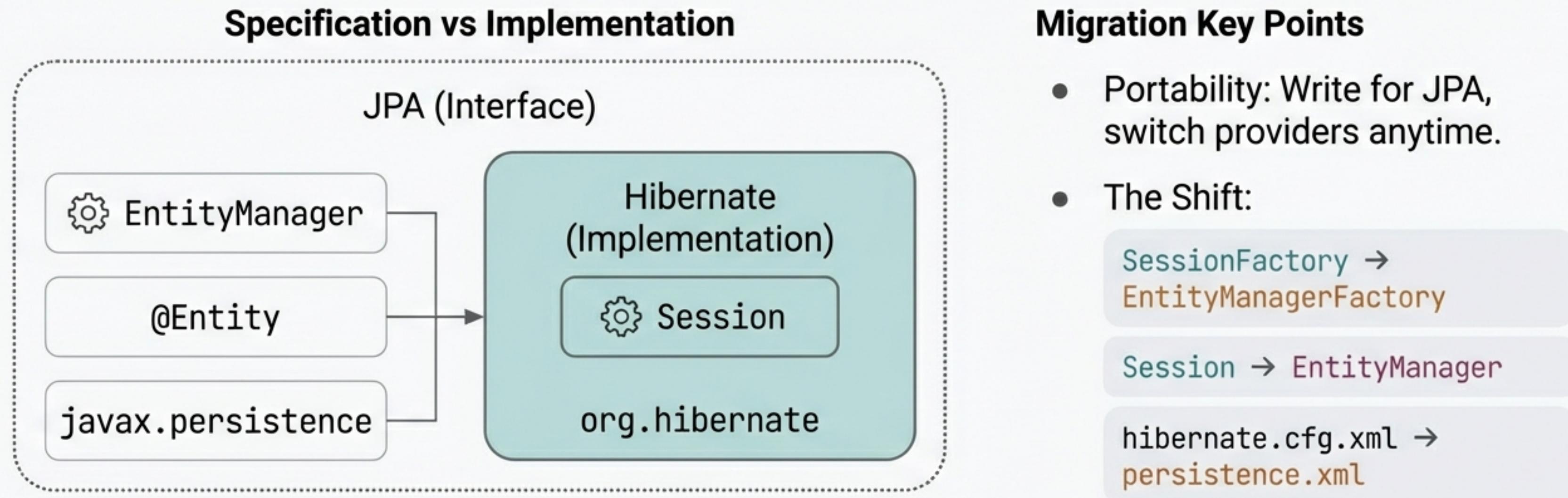
Think in Objects, not Tables.

Concept	SQL	HQL
Targets Tables & Columns.	Targets Tables & Columns.	→ Targets Classes & Properties.
Syntax Example	<pre>SELECT * FROM alien_table WHERE alien_points > 50</pre>	<pre>FROM Alien WHERE aids > 50</pre>
Return Type	ResultSet (needs manual parsing).	→ `List<Alien>` (Ready-to-use objects).

```
Query q = session.createQuery("from Alien where aids > 50");
List<Alien> aliens = q.list();
```

The Future: Hibernate vs. JPA

Standardizing Persistence.



“Mastering Hibernate makes mastering JPA trivial.”