# Web Databases – Part 1.2 Web Database Programming CS 5513

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### Web Interfaces to Databases

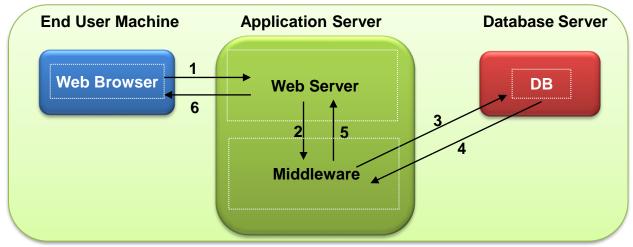
- Are the predominant interfaces for databases
- Instead of having the user type a query in SQL:

SELECT Employee.id, Employee.salary FROM Employee E, Department D WHERE E.dept = 120, E.salary > 6000

 The user can simply type the data in an html form:

# Web Interfaces to Databases (Continued)

- 1. In a web browser, an end user submits a request for some dynamic data to the web server.
- 2. The web server passes it onto the middleware (for example Java Servlets, JSP).
- 3. The middleware writes the request in SQL queries and sends them to a back-end database using some API such as JDBC, ODBC.
- 4. The retrieved data are sent back to the middleware.
- 5. The middleware generates a web page for the data.
- 6. The web server sends the web page to the browser of the end user.



### Servlets

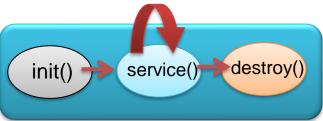
According to the Java EE API:

A servlet is a small program that runs within a web server. Servlets receive and respond to requests from web clients, usually across HTTP.

#### Advantages:

- Servlets can be loaded into memory when the web server starts; hence, each request is handled by a Java thread.
- If N requests to the same Program come up, there will be N threads, but only a single Servlet class processes the requests.
- Optimization techniques like caching previous computations and having database connections open are some of the advantages

### Servlets (Cont)



Lifetime of a Servlet

Methods that an instance of Servlet must override

- A user enters a URL into a web browser. The browser generates an HTTP request for this URL and sends it to the appropriate server.
- The server invokes the init() method of the servlet. This happens only when the servlet is first loaded into memory
- The server invokes the servlet's service() method. The servlet then processes the HTTP request
- It remains in the server's address space and is available to process other HTTP requests received from clients.
- When the server decides to unload the servlet from the memory, it calls the destroy() method.

### Servlets (Cont)

 The user types a URL: <u>http://www.test101.com/doc/test.html</u>, and the users web server generates an HTTP request:

```
GET /doc/test.html HTTP/1.1

Host: www.test101.com
Accept: image/gif, image/jpeg, */*
Accept-Language: en-us
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0
Content-Length: 35

A blank line separates header & body
bookId=12345&author=Tan+Ah+Teck

Request Line
Request Line
A blank line separates header
Request Message Body
```

 The HTTP request is received by the web server. The server maps this request to a particular servlet. The request is mapped into the HTTPServletRequest object

```
@Override
protected void
doGet(HTTPServletRequest request,
HTTPServletResponse response)
{
String userAgent =
request.getHeader("User-Agent");
}
```

Example of how to retrieve a header

### Servlets (Cont)

Methods an instance of servlet must override

- If the HTTP request is a
   Get, then the doGet of
   the corresponding
   Servlet is run.
  - If the HTTP request is a Post, then the doPost of the corresponding Servlet is run.

### **Example Servlet Code**

```
import java.io.IOException;
import java.io.PrintWriter;
import javax.servlet.ServletException;
import javax.servlet.annotation.WebServlet;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletResponse;
@WebServlet("/PersonQueryServlet")
public class PersonQueryServlet extends HttpServlet {
  private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;
  public PersonQueryServlet() {
    super();
  protected void doGet(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response)
                     throws ServletException, IOException {
    response.setContentType("text/html");
    PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
    out.println("<HEAD><TITLE>My First Servlet</TITLE></HEAD>");
    out.println("<BODY>");
    out.println("<H1>Hello, World!</H1>");
    out.println("</BODY>");
    out.close();
```

### Servlet Sessions

- Servlet API supports handling of sessions
  - Sets a cookie on first interaction with browser, and uses it to identify session on further interactions
- To check if session is already active:
  - if (request.getSession(false) == true)
    - .. then existing session
    - else .. redirect to authentication page
  - authentication page
    - check login/password
    - request.getSession(true): creates new session
- Store/retrieve attribute value pairs for a particular session
  - session.setAttribute("userid", userid)
  - session.getAttribute("userid")

### Servlets and JDBC

Suppose we have the table:

SSN	Name
000-75-1234	Le Gruenwald

create table Faculty(
ssn varchar(15) not null,
name varchar(25),
primary key(ssn));

```
public final class Query extends HttpServlet {
protected void doPost(HttpServletRequest request.
              HttpServletResponse response)
              throws ServletException, IOException
   PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
   out.println("<html>");
   out.println("<head><title>Query2</title></head>");
   out.println("<body>");
  /* Get the parameters from the form data */
                  = request.getParameter("SSN");
  String ssn
  String name
                  = request.getParameter("name");
  String password = request.getParameter("password");
   try {
      DriverManager.registerDriver(new oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver());
      Connection conn = DriverManager.getConnection(url, login,
            password);
      Statement stmt = conn.createStatement();
       ResultSet rs = stmt.executeQuery("INSERT INTO FACULTY
            values(ssn, name));
   catch (SQLException sqle) {} out.close();} }
```

### Java Server Pages (JSP)

- The idea is that Java is "injected" into HTML code.
- The JSP code is then compiled into Java (servlets) and HTML code.
- Although JSP and Java servlet can finish the same task, it is more convenient to write and modify regular HTML than to have a zillion println statements that generate the HTML.
- By separating the look from the content, a big project can be done by different people in a perfect way. That is, web page design experts can build the HTML, and leave rooms for Java servlet specialists to insert the dynamic content.
- JSP reaps all the benefits provided by Java servlets and web container environment, but they have an added advantage of being simpler and more natural program for web enabling enterprise developer.

### Java Server Pages (JSP)

- Inside a JSP there are certain variables that are *implicitly* defined.
   Some of them are:
  - request, response, session, out, config...
- The request variable corresponds to the servlet's HTTPServletRequest, and the response corresponds to HTTPServletResponse.

```
<html>
<head> <title> Hello
</title></head>
<body>
<h1>Hello
<%=
request.getParameter("na
me")
%>
<% out.println("hello");</pre>
%>
</h1>
</body>
</html>
           JSP
```

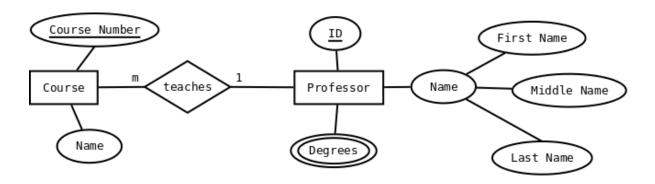
### Java Server Pages (JSP)

```
import java.io.*;
import javax.servlet.*;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
public class PersonQueryServlet extends
    HttpServlet {
 public void doGet (HttpServletRequest
    request, HttpServletResponse response)
             throws ServletException,
    IOException
     response.setContentType("text/html");
     PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
     out.println("<BODY>");
     if(request.getParameter("name") ==
    null) {
          out.println("Hello, World!");
     else {
          out.println("Hello " +
          request.getParameter("name"));
     out.println("</BODY>");
     out.close();
 }}
            Java Servlets
```

```
<html>
<head> <title> Hello </title>
</head>
<body>
<% if
(request.getParameter("name")
     == null) {
%>
<h1>Hello World</h1>
<% } else {
%>
<h1>Hello
<% request.getParameter("name"));
%>
</h1>
</body>
</html>
              JSP
```

### Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example

 In this example, we'll use JSP to create a web interface to an objectrelational database that is modeled with the following ER diagram



- The queries that we want to implement are:
  - Insert a professor
  - Insert a course
  - Find professors with a given degree
- We want to use Oracle's Object-Relational model

### Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example(ii)

- In this example we'll present the following:
  - A database creation file that creates types and tables using Oracle's object-relational model. This is contained in the file create tables.sql
  - A java class implementing the database queries to insert a student, insert an instructor and find a professor with a given degree. This class is contained in the file DataHandler.java
  - The JSP files, insert\_professor\_form.jsp, insert\_course\_form.jsp, and find\_professor\_form.jsp, which contain the forms in which the user can input the parameters to the queries online.
  - The JSP files, insert\_professor.jsp, insert\_course.jsp, and find\_professor.jsp, which connect the forms with the database, and act as controllers.

# Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (iii)

#### Database creation file

```
-- Filename: create tables.sql
-- This is a class example of how to implement a simple
-- database using the object-relational model of Oracle.
-- Define the name type
CREATE TYPE name_obj AS OBJECT (
   first_name VARCHAR2(32),
   middle_name VARCHAR2(32),
   last_name VARCHAR2(32)
) FINAL;
-- Define the degrees type
CREATE TYPE degrees_obj AS VARRAY(10) OF
VARCHAR2(64);
-- Define the professor type
CREATE TYPE professor_obj AS OBJECT (
   id NUMBER(5),
   name name_obj,
   degrees degrees_obj
) FINAL;
-- Define the course type
CREATE TYPE course_obj AS OBJECT (
   course number NUMBER(5),
   course_name VARCHAR2(64),
   professor REF professor_obj
```

### Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (iv)

#### Java Class implementing database queries

```
package jsp_oracle_test;
import java.sql.*;
import oracle.jdbc.pool.OracleDataSource;
* This class is in charge of communicating with the Oracle Database
* to perform the queries to insert a professor, to insert a course,
* and to retrieve the professors on their degrees.
public class DataHandler {
  String jdbcUrl = "jdbc:oracle:thin:@//oracle18.cs.ou.edu:1521/orclpdb";
  String userid = "user"; //your Oracle username
  // For security reasons, we suggest that you DON'T PUT YOUR PASSWORD
  // IN YOUR SOURCE FILE LIKE THIS:
  String password = "pwd": // your Oracle password
  Connection conn:
   * This class gets the current DB connection. This is not to be used in
   * production environments. You should use a connection pool instead.
   * @return
   * @throws SQLException
  public Connection getDBConnection() throws SQLException{
    final OracleDataSource ds = new OracleDataSource();
    ds.setURL(jdbcUrl);
    if(conn == null) {
      conn = ds.getConnection(userid, password);
      System.out.print("Connection made"):
    conn.setAutoCommit(true);
    return conn:
   * Ouerv 1.- Insert a professor given his/her attributes
   * @param id
   * @param firstName
   * @param middleName
   * @param lastName
   * @param degrees The degrees of the professor
   * @return
   * @throws SQLException
```

```
public boolean insertProfessor(String id, String firstName,
     String middleName, String lastName, String[] degrees)
  throws SQLException {
  // Connect to the database.
                     System.out.print("Connecting");
  getDBConnection():
  int updatedRows = 0;
  * Here we create a string with '?' placeholders.
  String degreesStr = "degrees_obj(";
  for(int i = 0; i < degrees.length-1; i++) {
    degreesStr += "?, ";
  if(degrees.length > 0) {
    degreesStr += "?";
  degreesStr += ")";
  // Elaborate a string with the content of the insertion query
  final String sqlInsertProfessor =
  "INSERT INTO professor tab VALUES(?, name obj(?,?,?), "+
  degreesStr + ")":
    PreparedStatement stmt = conn.prepareStatement(sqlInsertProfessor);
    stmt.setString(1, id):
    stmt.setString(2, firstName);
    stmt.setString(3, middleName);
    stmt.setString(4, lastName);
    // Now set the degrees
    for(int i=0: i < degrees.length: <math>i++) {
       stmt.setString(5+i, degrees[i]);
    // Run the query
    updatedRows = stmt.executeUpdate();
    System.out.print("Insert new professor");
  } catch(SQLException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
```

Note: This class continues in the next slide

# Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (v)

### Java Class implementing database queries (ii)

```
* Query 2: Inserts a course given its attributes
* @param courseNumber
* @param name The name of the course
* @param instrID The id of the instructor that teaches the course
* @return
* @throws SQLException
public boolean insertCourse(int courseNumber, String name, int profID)
  throws SQLException{
  int updatedRows = 0;
  String sqlInsertCourse =
                      "INSERT INTO course_tab "
                      + "SELECT?,?, REF(prof)"
                      + "FROM professor tab prof"
                      + "WHERE prof.id = ?";
  // Connect to the database
  getDBConnection();
  // Prepare the SQL query
  try(PreparedStatement stmt = conn.prepareStatement(sqlInsertCourse);){
                        stmt.setInt(1, courseNumber);
                        stmt.setString(2, name);
                        stmt.setInt(3, profID);
                        // Run the query
                        updatedRows = stmt.executeUpdate();
                      } catch(SQLException e) {
                      e.printStackTrace();
  return updatedRows != 0;
* Query 3: Retrieves professors that have a given degree
* @param degree
* @return
* @throws SQLException
public ResultSet findProfessors(String degree)
```

```
throws SQLException {
// Connect to the database.
getDBConnection():
String sql =
                    "SELECT P.id AS id, " +
                    " P.name.first name AS first name, " +
                    " P.name.middle_name AS middle_name, " +
                    " P.name.last name AS last name, " +
                   " P.degrees AS degrees " +
                    "FROM professor tab P " +
                    "WHERE ? IN (SELECT * FROM table(P.degrees))";
// Prepare the SQL query.
PreparedStatement stmt = conn.prepareStatement(sql);
stmt.setString(1, degree);
// Run the query
ResultSet result = stmt.executeQuery();
return result;
```

Note: This is a continuation of the code in the previous slide, so it also belongs to DataHandler.java

# Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (viii)

 JSP file insert\_professor\_form.jsp that implements the form to insert an instructor online

```
<!- Filename: insert_professor_form.jsp-->
                                                                            <div style="text-align: center;">
<!- This jsp file contains the code to display a form to input the parameters for a new professor --
                                                                              <input type=text name=professor_middlename>
                                                                            </div>
                                                                            <!DOCTYPE html>
                                                                            <html>
                                                                            Last Name:
 <head>
                                                                            center;">
 <meta charset="UTF-8">
                                                                              <input type=text name=professor_lastname>
 <title>Insert a Professor</title>
                                                                            </div>
 </head>
                                                                            <body>
 <h2>Insert a professor</h2>
                                                                            Degrees (Comma separated):
  <form action="insert_professor.jsp">
                                                                            :center;">
  <input type=text name=professor_degrees>
                                                                            </div>
   Enter the professor data:
                                                                            :center;">
   ID:
                                                                              <input type=reset value=Clear>
    ctd><cdiv style="text-align: center;">
                                                                            </div>
      <input type=text name=professor_id>
                                                                            ctd><cdiv style="text-align: center;">
    </div>
                                                                              <input type=submit value=Insert>
   </div>
                                                                           First Name:
                                                                           ctd><cdiv style="text-align: center;">
                                                                          </form>
      <input type=text name=professor_firstname>
                                                                         </body>
    </div>
                                                                        </html>
   Middle Name:
```

# Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (ix)

 JSP file insert\_course\_form.jsp that implements the form to insert a course online

```
<!- Filename: insert course form.jsp-->
<!- This isp file contains the code to display a form to input the parameters for a course -->
                                                                            <div style="text-align: center;">
                                                                              <input type=reset value=Clear>
<!DOCTYPE html>
                                                                            </div>
<html>
                                                                            :center;">
<head>
                                                                              <input type=submit value=Insert>
 <meta charset="UTF-8">
                                                                            </div>
 <title>Insert Course</title>
                                                                           </head>
                                                                           <body>
                                                                          </form>
 <h2>Insert a course</h2>
                                                                         </body>
 <form action="insert_course.jsp">
                                                                        </html>
  >
    Enter the course data:
   Course number:
    <div style="text-align: center;">
      <input type=text name=course number>
    </div>
   Course Name:
    <div style="text-align: center;">
      <input type=text name=course_name>
    </div>
   >
    Professor ID:
    :center;">
      <input type=text name=course professor id>
                                                Lecture Topic 6- Web Databases
    </div>
```

# Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (x)

 JSP file query\_professor\_form.jsp that implements the form to find professors with a given degree online

```
<!- Filename: query_professor_form.jsp-->
                                                                                         </div>
<!- This jsp file contains the code to obtain the professors with a given degree -->
                                                                                        </form>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN"</p>
                                                                                     </center>
"http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
                                                                                   </body>
<html>
                                                                                   </html>
 <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">
  <title>Query.- Input professor degree</title>
</head>
<body>
  <center>
  <!-- This page is designed to find professors with a given degree -->
  <h2> Query.- Find professor with a given degree</h2>
   <form action="query_professor.jsp">
   Enter the degree you want to search for:
     \langle tr \rangle
      Degree:
     <div style="text-align: center;"><input type=text name=degree></div>
     <div style="text-align: center;">
        <input type=reset value=Clear>
      </div>
                                                       Lecture Topic 6- Web Databases
      <div style="text-align: center;">
        <input type=submit value=Search>
```

# Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (xii)

 JSP file insert\_professor.jsp that calls the database handler to insert an instructor

```
<<@@ page language="java" contentType="text/html; charset=UTF-8"
                                                                                       // Now perform the guery with the data from the form.
  pageEncoding="UTF-8"%>
                                                                                       boolean success = handler.insertProfessor(idStr, firstName, middleName,
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN"</p>
                                                                                       lastName, degrees):
"http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
<html>
                                                                                       if (!success) {
<head>
  <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">
                                                                                      <h2>There was a problem inserting the professor</h2>
  <title>Query result</title>
 </head>
                                                                                       } else {
 <body>
                                                                                       %>
  <center>
                                                                                      <h2>The professor:</h2>
   <@page import="cs5513.DataHandler"%><%@page
                           import="java.sql.ResultSet"%><%@page
                                                                                       ID: <%=idStr%>
                                              import="iava.sql.Arrav"%>
                                                                                       First Name: <%=firstName%>
                                                                                       Middle Name: <%=middleName%>
   <%
                                                                                       Last Name: <%=lastName%>
     // The handler is the one in charge of establishing the connection.
                                                                                      </01>
     DataHandler handler = new DataHandler();
                                                                                      <h2>was inserted.</h2>
     // Get the parameters from the form.
     String idStr = request.getParameter("professor id");
     String firstName = request.getParameter("professor firstname");
                                                                                    </center>
     String middleName = request.getParameter("professor middlename");
     String lastName = request.getParameter("professor_lastname");
                                                                                   </body>
     String[] degrees = request.getParameter("professor_degrees").split(",");
                                                                                  </html>
     * If the user hasn't filled out all the fields. This is very
     * simple checking
     if (idStr.equals("") || firstName.equals("") || middleName.equals("")
     || lastName.equals("")) {
     response.sendRedirect("insert_professor_form.jsp"); Lecture Topic 6- Web Databases
     } else {
```

# Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (xi)

 JSP file insert\_course.jsp that calls the database handler to insert a course

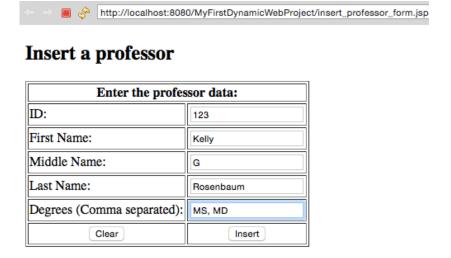
```
<@ page language="java" contentType="text/html; charset=UTF-8"
  pageEncoding="UTF-8"%>
                                                                                       int courseNum = Integer.parseInt(courseNumStr);
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN"
                                                                                       int profID = Integer.parseInt(profIDStr);
"http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
                                                                                       // Now perform the guery with the data from the form.
<html>
                                                                                       boolean success = handler.insertCourse(courseNum, courseName, profID);
 <head>
  <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">
                                                                                       if (!success) {
  <title>Query result</title>
                                                                                       %>
 </head>
                                                                                      <h2>There was a problem inserting the course</h2>
 <body>
  <center>
                                                                                       } else {
   <@page import="cs5513.DataHandler"%><%@page
                                                                                      <h2>The course:</h2>
                       import="java.sql.ResultSet"%><%@page
                                                                                      < 0 |>
                                                                                       Course number: <%=courseNumStr%>
                                                                                       Course Name: <%=courseName%>
                       import="java.sql.Array"%>
                                                                                      </01>
                                                                                      <h2>was inserted.</h2>
                                                                                      <%
     // The handler is the one in charge of establishing the connection.
     DataHandler handler = new DataHandler();
                                                                                       %>
     // Get the parameters from the form.
                                                                                    </center>
     String courseNumStr = request.getParameter("course_number");
                                                                                   </body>
     String courseName = request.getParameter("course name");
                                                                                  </html>
     String profIDStr = request.getParameter("course professor id");
     * If the user hasn't filled out all the fields. This is very
     * simple checking
     if (courseNumStr.equals("") || courseName.equals("") || profIDStr.equals("")) {
     response.sendRedirect("insert_course_form.jsp");
                                                        Lecture Topic 6- Web Databases
```

# Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (xiii)

```
pageEncoding="UTF-8"%>
                                                                                 <h4>MIDDLE NAME</h4>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN"</p>
                                                                                 "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
                                                                                 <html>
                                                                                 <h4>LAST NAME</h4>
<head>
                                                                                 <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">
                                                                               <title>Query.- Find professors with a given degree</title>
</head>
                                                                                 while(professors.next()) {
<body>
                                                                                 // Print the degrees as a comma, separated.
 <center>
                                                                                 String idStr = professors.getString("id");
  <%@page import="cs5513.DataHandler"%>
                                                                                 String firstName = professors.getString("first_name");
  <%@page import="java.sql.ResultSet"%>
                                                                                 String middleName = professors.getString("middle_name");
  <%@page import="java.sql.Array"%>
                                                                                 String lastName = professors.getString("last_name"):
  <% @ page import="java.util.Set" %>
                                                                                 // Print each attribute
                                                                                 out.println("");
                                                                                 out.println("" + idStr
   // The handler is the one in charge of establishing the connection.
                                                                                 + " "
    DataHandler handler = new DataHandler();
                                                                                 + firstName
                                                                                 + " "
                                                                                 + middleName
   // Get the parameters from the form.
    // Remember to validate the parameters!!
                                                                                 + " " +
    String degree = request.getParameter("degree");
                                                                                 lastName);
                                                                                 out.println("");
    // Now perform the query with the data from the form.
    ResultSet professors = handler.findProfessors(degree);
                                                                              </center>
   >
                                                                            </body>
    </html>
     <h4>PROFESSOR ID</h4>
    Lecture Topic 6- Web Databases
     <h4>FIRST NAME</h4>
```

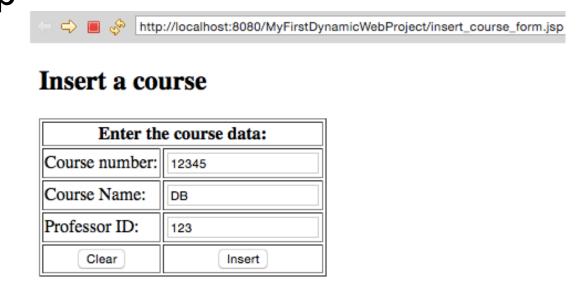
### Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (xiv)

Insert\_professor.js
 p form used to
 provide the
 attributes of a new
 professor

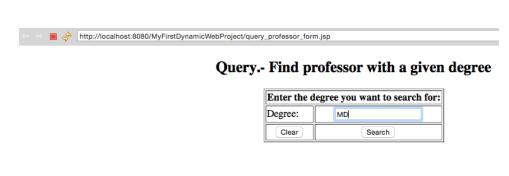


### Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (xv)

 Insert\_course.jsp form used to provide the attributes of a course.



# Object-Relational Model and JSPs Example (xvi)



Query\_professor.jsp
 form used to find a
 professors with a
 given degree

Result of searching the professors with an "MD"

