



Tecniche di Programmazione – A.A. 2022/2023

# Outline

1. Introduction to JDBC
2. Accessing a database: practical steps
3. Prepared statements
4. Design patterns (DAO)
5. Object-Relational Mapping
6. Connection pooling

<http://dilbert.com/strips/comic/1995-11-17/>





## Database access and JDBC

# Goals

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- ▶ **Enable Java applications to access data stored in Relational Data Bases**
  - ▶ Query existing data
  - ▶ Modify existing data
  - ▶ Insert new data
- ▶ **Data can be used by**
  - ▶ The algorithms running in the application
  - ▶ The user, through the user interface

# JDBC

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- ▶ Standard library for accessing relational databases
  - ▶ Compatible with most/all different databases
- ▶ JDBC : Java Database Connectivity
  - ▶ Defined in package **java.sql** and **javax.sql**
- ▶ Documentation:
  - ▶ Doc Index:  
<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/technotes/guides/jdbc/index.html>
  - ▶ Tutorial  
<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/jdbc/basics/index.html>
  - ▶ API documentation:  
<https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/19/docs/api/java.sql/module-summary.html>
  - ▶ Class diagrams:  
<https://falkhausen.de/Java-10/java.sql/index.html>  
<https://falkhausen.de/Java-10/javax.sql/index.html>



# JDBC scope

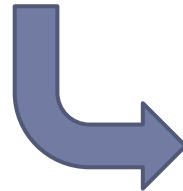
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- ▶ **Standardizes**

- ▶ Mechanism for connecting to DBMSs
- ▶ Syntax for sending queries
- ▶ Structure representing the results

- ▶ **Does not standardize**

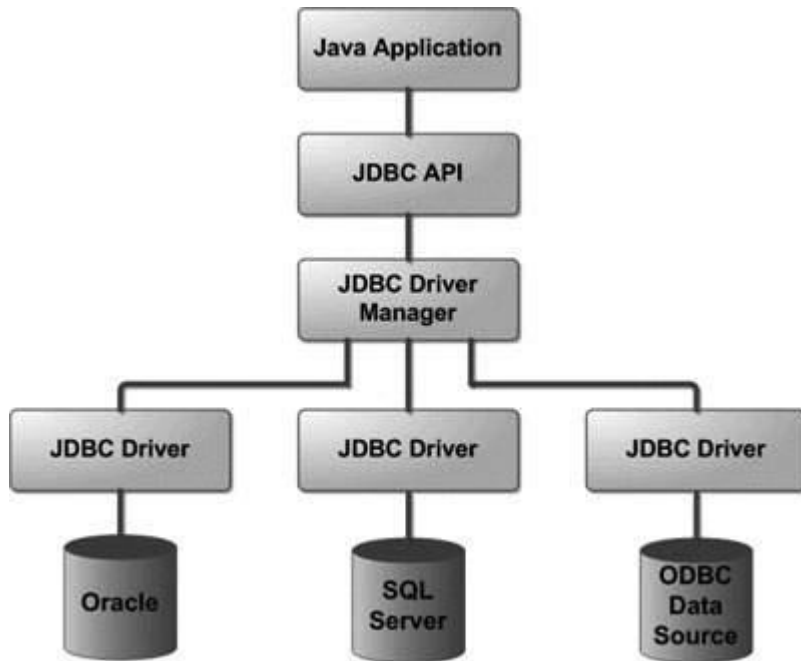
- ▶ SQL syntax: dialects, variants, extensions, ...



<http://troels.arvin.dk/db/rdbms/>

# Architecture

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- ▶ Java application (in our case, JavaFX)
- ▶ JDBC Driver Manager (*or Data Source – later on*)
  - ▶ For loading the JDBC Driver
- ▶ JDBC Driver
  - ▶ From DBMS vendor
- ▶ DBMS
  - ▶ In our case, MySQL or MariaDB





# Basic steps

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1. Define the connection URL
2. Establish the connection
3. Create a statement object
4. Execute a query or update
5. Process the results
6. Close the connection

# JDBC Driver

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- ▶ A Driver is a DMBS-vendor provided class, that must be available to the Java application
  - ▶ Should reside in the project's libraries
  - ▶ Should be accessible in the project's Class Path
- ▶ The application usually doesn't know the driver class name until run-time (to ease the migration to other DMBSs)
- ▶ Needs to find and load the class at run-time

# MySQL JDBC driver

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- ▶ MySQL Connector/J

- ▶ <http://dev.mysql.com/downloads/connector/j/>

- ▶ Provides mysql-connector-java-[version]-bin.jar

- ▶ Copy or link into project libraries

- ▶ The driver is in class

- ▶ `com.mysql.jdbc.Driver`

- ▶ ...but we don't need (want) to know it!

- ▶ Documentation: <https://dev.mysql.com/doc/connector-j/8.0/en/>

pom.xml

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>mysql</groupId>
  <artifactId>mysql-connector-java</artifactId>
  <version>8.0.32</version>
</dependency>
```

# MariaDB JDBC driver

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- ▶ MariaDB Connector/J
  - ▶ <https://mariadb.com/kb/en/mariadb-connector-j/>
  - ▶ Provides mariadb-java-client-2.6.0.jar
- ▶ Provides the class org.mariadb.jdbc.Driver
- ▶ Responds to JDBC URLs
  - ▶ jdbc:mariadb://....
  - ▶ jdbc:mysql://....

pom.xml

```
<dependency>  
  <groupId>org.mariadb.jdbc</groupId>  
  <artifactId>mariadb-java-client</artifactId>  
  <version>3.1.2</version>  
</dependency>
```

# TdP Maven Archetype

- ▶ The Maven Archetype for TdP already includes the MariaDB JDBC Driver... you don't need to download, install nor configure anything



# 1. Define the connection URL

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- ▶ **The Driver Manager needs some information to connect to the DBMS**
  - ▶ The database type (to call the proper Driver, that we already loaded in the first step)
  - ▶ The server address
  - ▶ Authentication information (user/pass)
  - ▶ Database / schema to connect to
- ▶ **All these parameters are encoded into a string**
  - ▶ The exact format depends on the Driver vendor

# MySQL Connection URL format

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- ▶ `jdbc:mysql://[host:port],[host:port].../[database][?propertyName1]=[propertyValue1][&propertyName2]=[propertyValue2]...`
- ▶ `jdbc:mysql://` -or- `jdbc:mariadb://`
- ▶ `host:port` (usually: `localhost`)
- ▶ `/database`
- ▶ `?user=username`
- ▶ `&password=pppppppp` (omit for XAMPP)

<https://dev.mysql.com/doc/connector-j/8.0/en/connector-j-reference-configuration-properties.html>

## 2. Establish the connection

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- ▶ Use `DriverManager.getConnection`
  - ▶ Uses the appropriate driver according to the connection URL
  - ▶ Returns a `Connection` object
- ▶ `Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection(URLString)`
- ▶ Contacts DBMS, validates user and selects the database
- ▶ On the `Connection` object subsequent commands will execute queries



# Example

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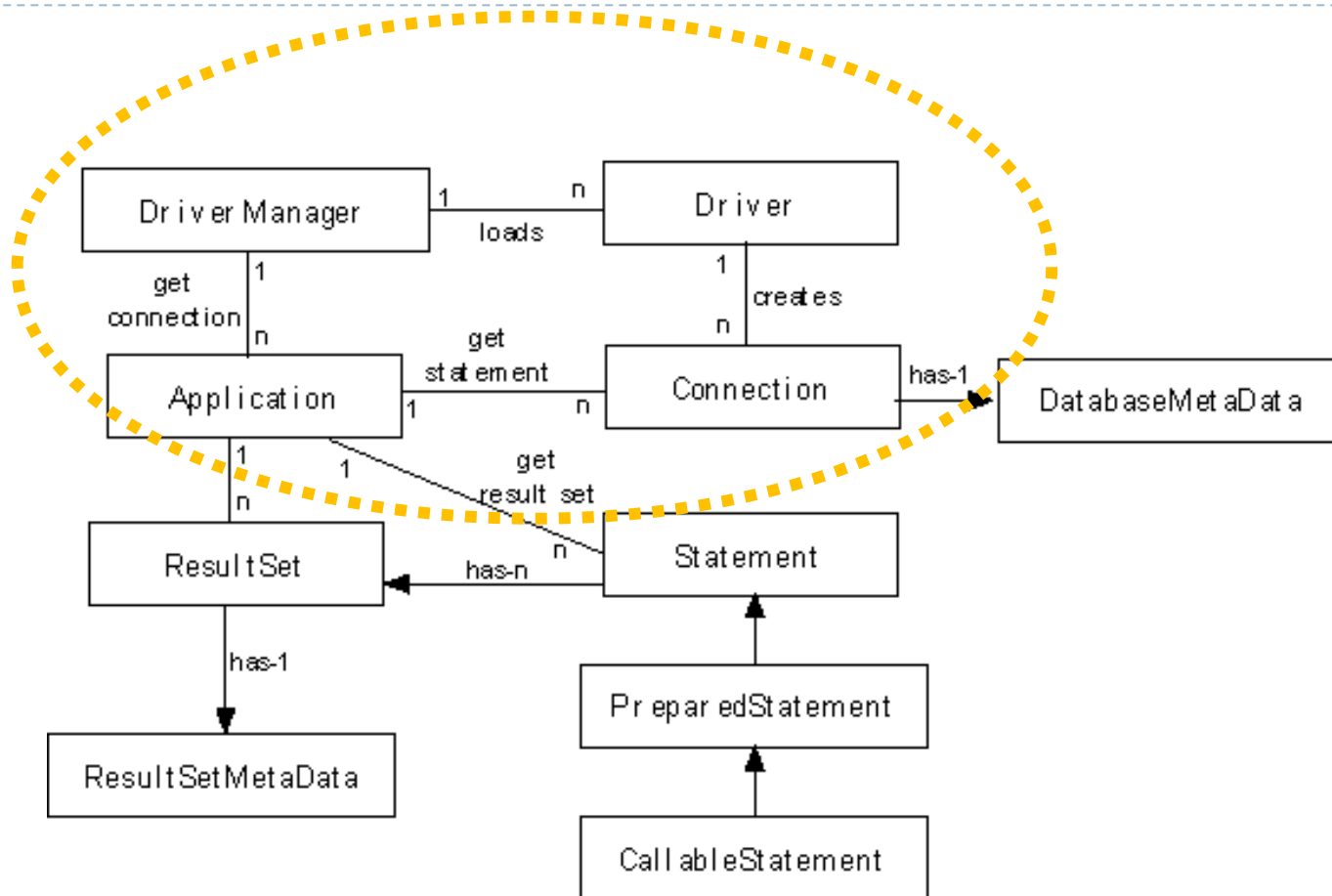
```
import java.sql.Connection;
import java.sql.DriverManager;
import java.sql.SQLException;

try {
    Connection conn = DriverManager.getConnection(
        "jdbc:mysql://localhost/test?user=monty&password=secret");

    // Do something with the Connection
    ....

} catch (SQLException ex) {
    // handle any errors
    System.out.println("SQLException: " + ex.getMessage());
    System.out.println("SQLState: " + ex.getSQLState());
    System.out.println("VendorError: " + ex.getErrorCode());
}
```

# Class diagram





## 6. Close the connection

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- ▶ When no additional queries are needed, close the connection to the database:
  - ▶ `connection.close()` ;

### 3. Create a Statement object

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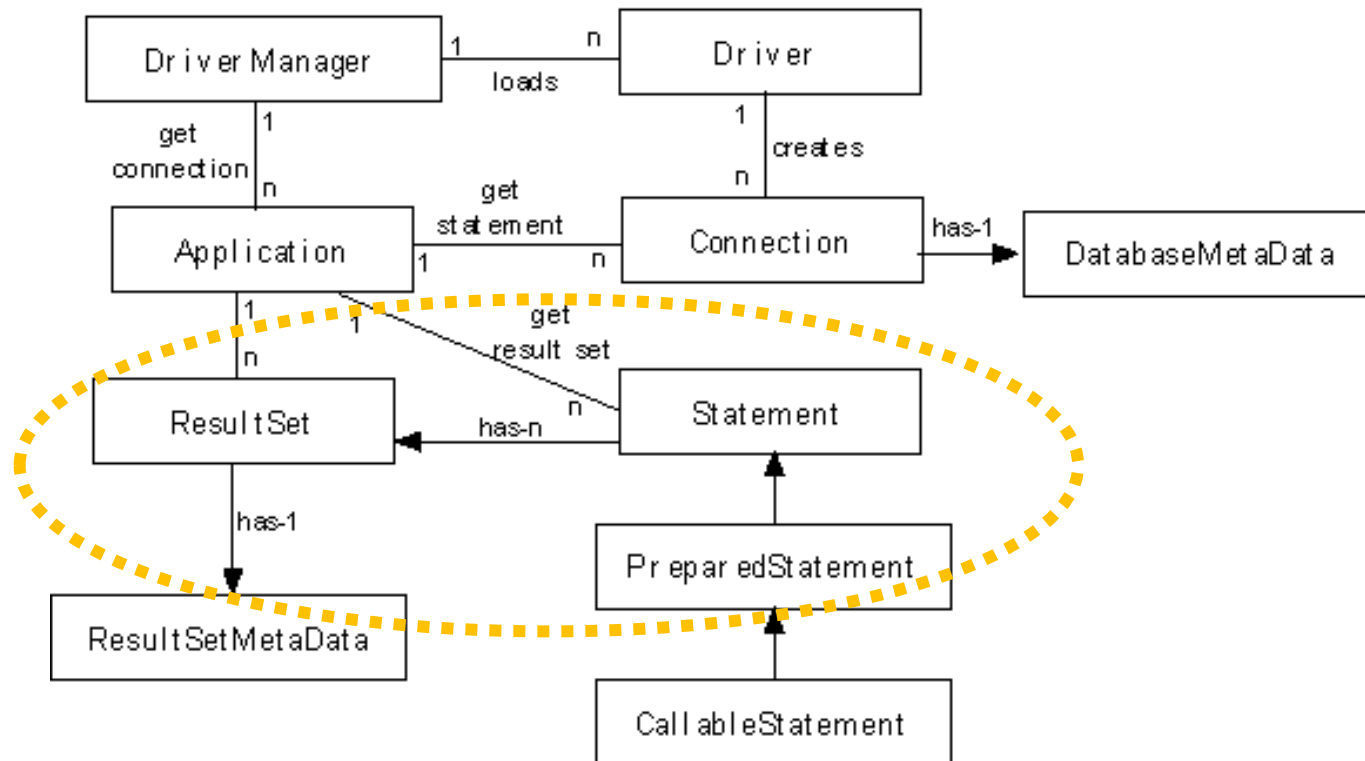
- ▶ `Statement statement = connection.createStatement() ;`
- ▶ Creates a Statement object for sending SQL statements to the database.
- ▶ SQL statements without parameters are normally executed using Statement objects.
- ▶ For efficiency and security reasons, we will always use a PreparedStatement object (see later...).

## 4. Execute a query

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- ▶ Use the `executeQuery` method of the `Statement` class
  - ▶ `ResultSet executeQuery(String sql)`
  - ▶ `sql` contains a `SELECT` statement
- ▶ Returns a `ResultSet` object, that will be used to retrieve the query results

# Class diagram



# Other execute methods

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- ▶ `int executeUpdate(String sql)`
  - ▶ For INSERT, UPDATE, or DELETE statements
  - ▶ For other SQL statements that don't return a resultset (e.g., CREATE TABLE)
  - ▶ returns either the row count for INSERT, UPDATE or DELETE statements, or 0 for SQL statements that return nothing
- ▶ `boolean execute(String sql)`
  - ▶ For general SQL statements

# Example

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```
String query = "SELECT id, name FROM user" ;  
ResultSet resultSet =  
statement.executeQuery(query) ;
```



# Parametric queries

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- ▶ SQL queries may depend on user input data
- ▶ Example: find item whose code is specified by the user
- ▶ Method 1: String interpolation (with concatenation or `String.format`)
  - ▶ String query =  
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- ▶ Method 2: use Prepared Statements
  - ▶ Always preferable
  - ▶ Always
  - ▶ See later...



## 5. Process the result

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- ▶ The ResultSet object *implements a “cursor”* over the query results
  - ▶ Data are available a row at a time
    - ▶ Method `ResultSet.next()` goes to the next row
  - ▶ The column values (for the selected row) are available through **getXXX** methods
    - ▶ `getInt`, `getString`, `getBoolean`, `getDate`, `getDouble`, ...
  - ▶ Data types are converted from SQL types to Java types

Full list at

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/sql/ResultSet.html>

<https://falkhausen.de/java-10/java.sql/ResultSet.html>

# Cursor

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Cursor default position (before first record)

100	S N Rao	5500.50	1 <sup>st</sup> Record
101	Jyostna	6500.50	2 <sup>nd</sup> Record
102	Jyothi	7550.50	3 <sup>rd</sup> Record

Cursor on first record

100	S N Rao	5500.50	1 <sup>st</sup> Record
101	Jyostna	6500.50	2 <sup>nd</sup> Record
102	Jyothi	7550.50	3 <sup>rd</sup> Record

Cursor position after last record

100	S N Rao	5500.50	1 <sup>st</sup> Record
101	Jyostna	6500.50	2 <sup>nd</sup> Record
102	Jyothi	7550.50	3 <sup>rd</sup> Record

# ResultSet.getXXX methods

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- ▶ **XXX** is the desired datatype
  - ▶ Must be compatible with the column type
  - ▶ String is almost always acceptable
- ▶ **Two versions**
  - ▶ `getXXX(int columnIndex)`
    - ▶ number of column to retrieve (starting from 1 – *beware!*)
  - ▶ `getXXX(String columnName)`
    - ▶ name of column to retrieve
    - ▶ Always preferred

# ResultSet navigation methods

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- ▶ `boolean next()`
  - ▶ Moves the cursor down one row from its current position.
  - ▶ A ResultSet cursor is initially positioned **before the first row**:
    - ▶ the first call to the method `next` makes the first row the current row
    - ▶ the second call makes the second row the current row, ...

# Other navigation methods (1 / 2)

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- ▶ **Query cursor position**
  - ▶ `boolean isFirst()`
  - ▶ `boolean isLast()`
  - ▶ `boolean isBeforeFirst()`
  - ▶ `boolean isAfterLast()`

# Other navigation methods (2/2)

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## ▶ Move cursor

- ▶ `void beforeFirst()`
- ▶ `void afterLast()`
- ▶ `boolean first()`
- ▶ `boolean last()`
- ▶ `boolean absolute(int row)`
- ▶ `boolean relative(int rows) // positive or negative offset`
- ▶ `boolean previous()`



# Example

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```
while( resultSet.next() )
{
    out.println(
        resultSet.getInt("ID") + " - " +
        resultSet.getString("name") ) ;
}
```

# Datatype conversions (MySQL)

These MySQL Data Types	Can always be converted to these Java types
CHAR, VARCHAR, BLOB, TEXT, ENUM, and SET	<code>java.lang.String</code> , <code>java.io.InputStream</code> , <code>java.io.Reader</code> , <code>java.sql.Blob</code> , <code>java.sql.Clob</code>
FLOAT, REAL, DOUBLE PRECISION, NUMERIC, DECIMAL, TINYINT, SMALLINT, MEDIUMINT, INTEGER, BIGINT	<code>java.lang.String</code> , <code>java.lang.Short</code> , <code>java.lang.Integer</code> , <code>java.lang.Long</code> , <code>java.lang.Double</code> , <code>java.math.BigDecimal</code>
DATE, TIME, DATETIME, TIMESTAMP	<code>java.lang.String</code> , <code>java.sql.Date</code> , <code>java.sql.Timestamp</code>

# Datatype conversions

	TINYINT	SMALLINT	INTEGER	BIGINT	REAL	FLOAT	DOUBLE	DECIMAL	NUMERIC	BIT	CHAR	VARCHAR	LONGVARCHAR	BINARY	VARBINARY	LONGVARBINARY	DATE	TIME	TIMESTAMP	CLOB	BLOB	ARRAY	REF	STRUCT	JAVA OBJECT
getBytes	X	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x												
getShort	x	X	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x												
getInt	x	x	X	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x												
getLong	x	x	x	X	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x												
getFloat	x	x	x	x	X	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x												
getDouble	x	x	x	x	x	X	X	x	x	x	x	x	x												
getBigDecimal	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	X	X	x	x	x	x												
getBoolean	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	X	x	x	x												
getString	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	X	X	x	x	x	x	x	x							
getBytes														X	X	x									
getDate											x	x	x				X		x						
getTime											x	x	x					X	x						
getTimestamp											x	x	x				x	x	X						
getAsciiStream											x	x	X	x	x	x									
getUnicodeStream											x	x	X	x	x	x									
getBinaryStream														x	x	X									
getClob																				X					
getBlob																					X				
getArray																						X			
getRef																							X		
getCharacterStream											x	x	X	x	x	x									
getObject	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	X	

Table 5.1: Use of ResultSet.getXXX Methods to Retrieve JDBC Types

## 6. Close the connection

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- ▶ Additional queries may be done on the same connection.
  - ▶ Each returns a different `ResultSet` object, unless you re-use it
  - ▶ When no longer needed, `ResultSet` resources can be freed by 'closing' it: `resultSet.close()`
- ▶ When no additional queries are needed, close the connection to the database:
  - ▶ `connection.close()` ;



# What's wrong with statements?

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- ▶ `String user = txtUserName.getText() ; // JavaFX`
- ▶ `String sql = "select * from users where username='" + user + "'" ;`
- ▶ **Problems:**
  - ▶ Security
  - ▶ Performance

# Security risk

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- ▶ SQL injection – syntax errors or privilege escalation

- ▶ Example

- ▶ Username : `' ; delete * from users ; --`



```
select * from users where  
username=''; delete * from  
users ; -- '
```

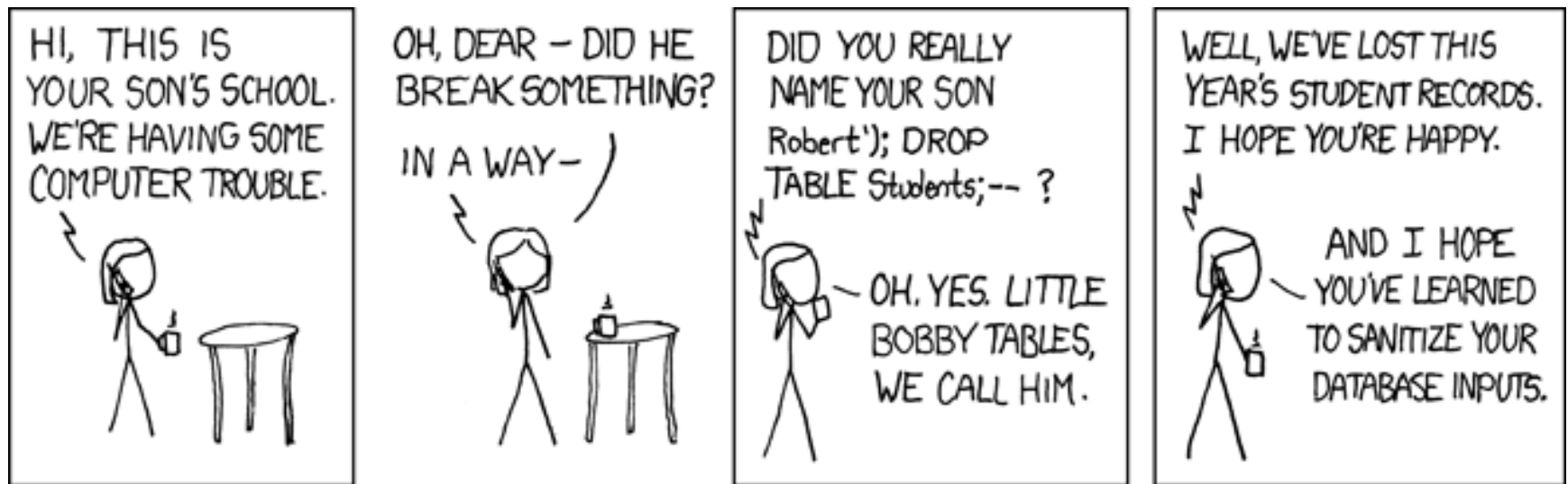
- ▶ **Must** detect or escape all dangerous characters!
  - ▶ Will **never** be perfect...
- ▶ **Never** trust user-entered data. Never. Not once. Really.

# SQL injection attempt 😊





# SQL injection attempt 😊



<http://xkcd.com/327/>

# Performance limitations

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- ▶ **Performance limit**
  - ▶ Query must be re-parsed and re-optimized every time
  - ▶ Complex queries require significant set-up overhead
- ▶ **When the same query is repeated (even with different data), parsing and optimization wastes CPU time in the DBMS server**
  - ▶ Increased response-time latency
  - ▶ Decreased scalability of the system

# Prepared statements

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- ▶ Separate statement **creation** from statement **execution**
  - ▶ At creation time: define SQL syntax (**template**), with placeholders for variable quantities (**parameters**)
  - ▶ At execution time: define actual quantities for placeholders (**parameter values**), and run the statement
- ▶ Prepared statements can be re-run many times
- ▶ Parameter values are automatically
  - ▶ Converted according to their Java type
  - ▶ Escaped, if they contain dangerous characters
  - ▶ Handle non-character data (serialization)

# Example

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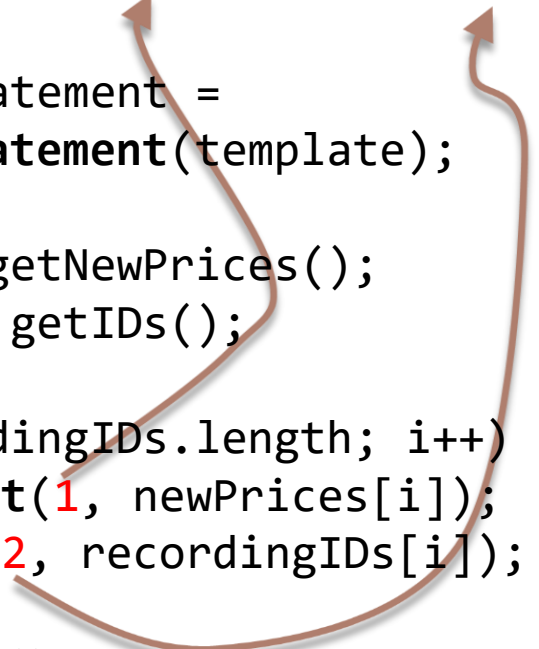
```
Connection connection =  
DriverManager.getConnection(url, username, password);
```

```
String template =  
"UPDATE music SET price = ? WHERE id = ?";
```

```
PreparedStatement statement =  
connection.prepareStatement(template);
```

```
float[] newPrices = getNewPrices();  
int[] recordingIDs = getIDs();
```

```
for(int i=0; i<recordingIDs.length; i++) {  
    statement.setFloat(1, newPrices[i]); // Price  
    statement.setInt(2, recordingIDs[i]); // ID  
  
    statement.execute();  
}
```



# Prepared statements

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- ▶ Easier to write
  - ▶ Data type conversion done by JDBC library
- ▶ Secure (no SQL injection possible)
  - ▶ Quoting is done by JDBC library
- ▶ More efficient
  - ▶ Query re-use
  - ▶ Parameter values sent in binary form
- ▶ The bottom line: **Always use prepared statements.**

# Callable statements

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- ▶ Many DBMSs allow defining “stored procedures”, directly defined at the DB level
- ▶ Stored procedures are SQL queries (with parameters), or sequences of queries
  - ▶ Language for defining stored procedures is DBMS-dependent: not portable!
- ▶ MySQL: <http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.5/en/stored-programs-views.html> (chapter 18)
- ▶ Calling stored procedures: use CallableStatement in JDBC
  - ▶ Example: <http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.5/en/connector-j-usagenotes-basic.html#connector-j-examples-stored-procedure>



# Problems

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- ▶ Database code involves a lot of «specific» knowledge
  - ▶ Connection parameters
  - ▶ SQL commands
  - ▶ The structure of the database
- ▶ Bad practice to «mix» this low-level information with main application code
  - ▶ Reduces portability and maintainability
  - ▶ Creates more complex code
  - ▶ Breaks the «one-class one-task» assumption
- ▶ What is a better code organization?



# Goals

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- ▶ Encapsulate DataBase access into separate classes, distinct from application ones
  - ▶ All other classes should be shielded from DB details
- ▶ DataBase access should be independent from application needs
  - ▶ Potentially reusable in different parts of the application
- ▶ Develop a reusable development patterns that can be easily applied to different situations

# Data Access Object (DAO) – 1 / 2

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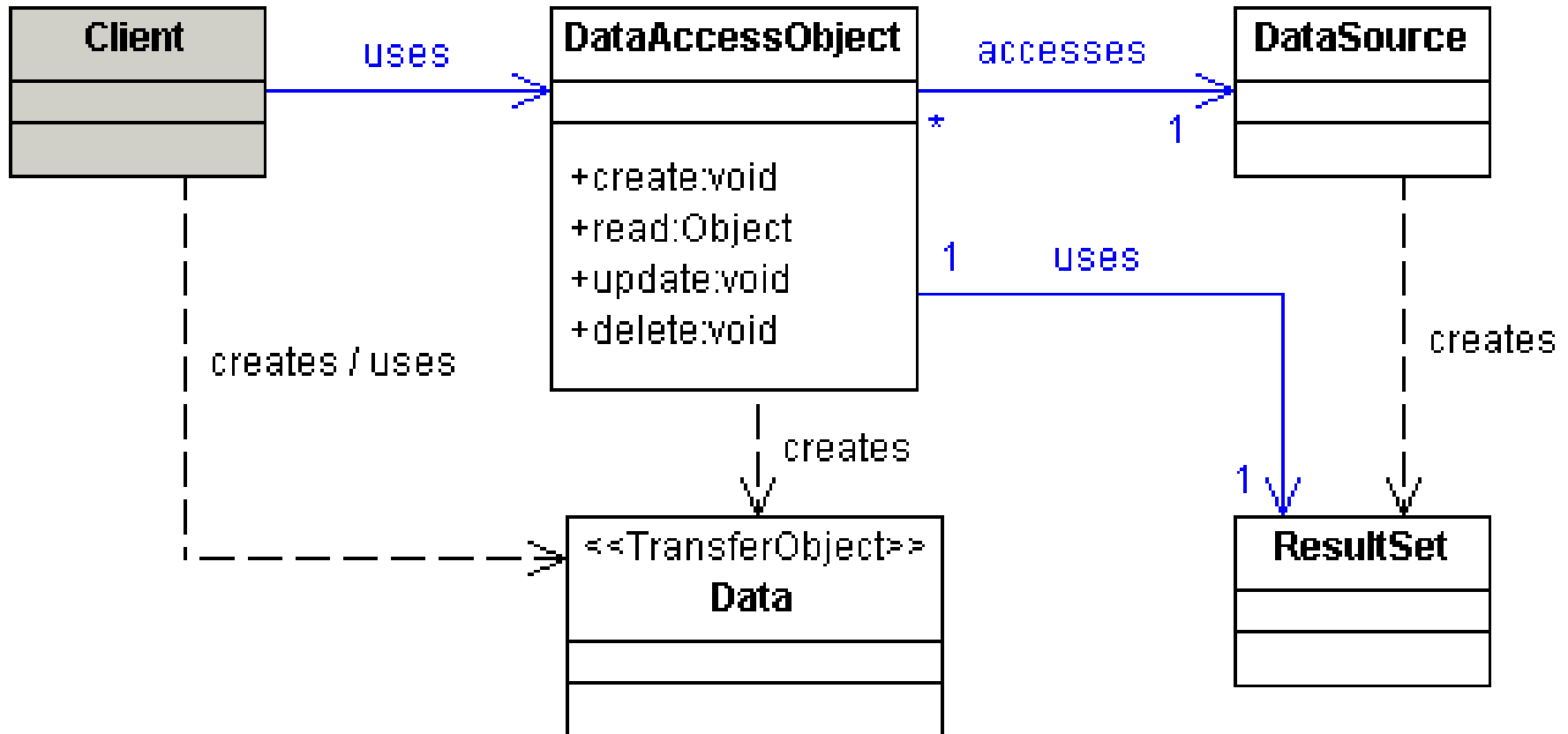
- ▶ «Client» classes:
  - ▶ Application code that needs to access the database
  - ▶ Ignorant of database details (connection, queries, schema, ...)
- ▶ «DAO» classes:
  - ▶ Encapsulate all database access code (JDBC)
  - ▶ The only ones that will ever contact the database
  - ▶ Ignorant of the goal of the Client

# Data Access Object (DAO) – 2/2

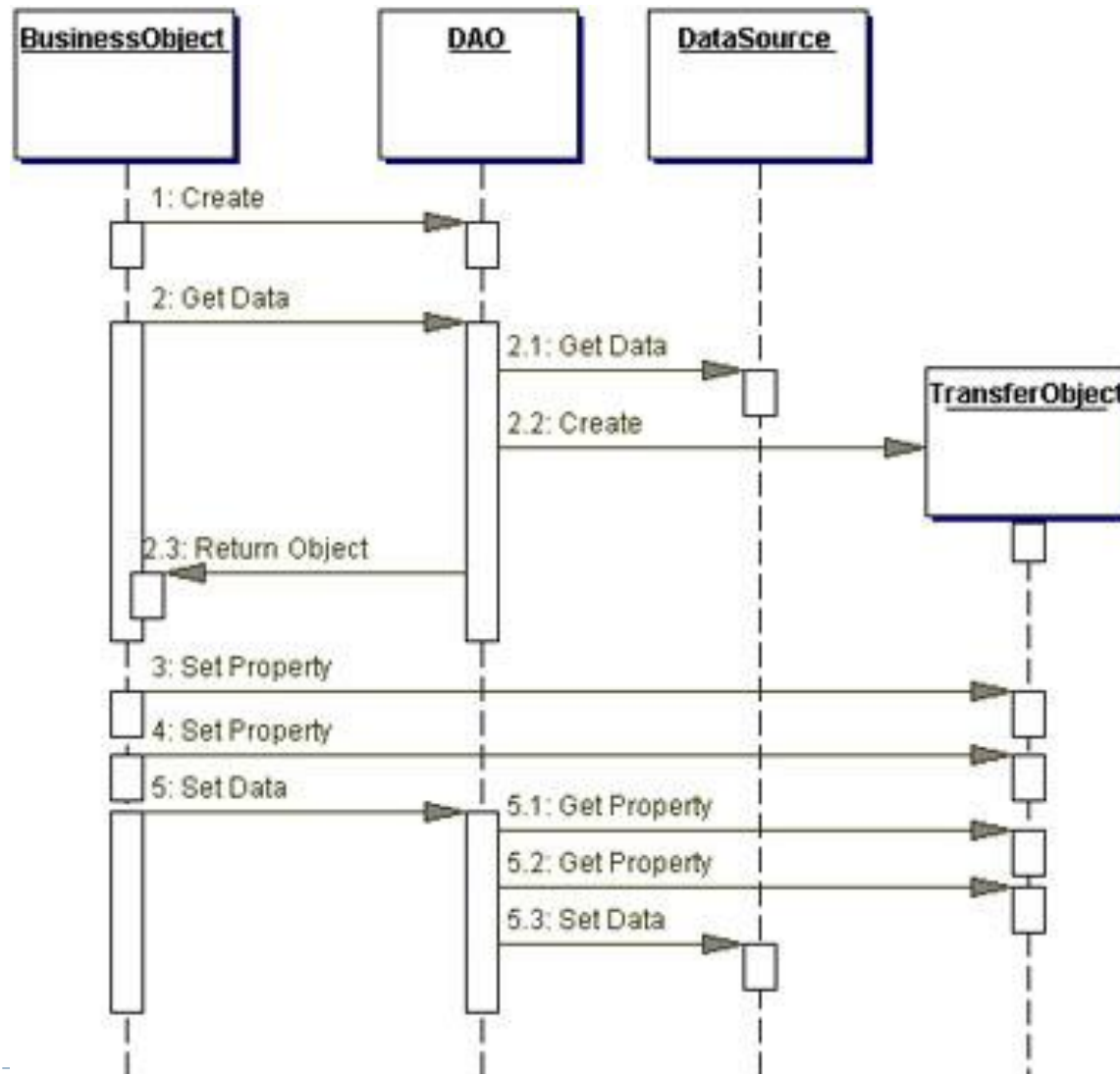
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- ▶ Low-level database classes: DriverManager, DataSource, ResultSet, etc
  - ▶ Used by DAO (only!) but invisible to Client
- ▶ «Transfer Object» (TO) or «Data Transfer Object» (DTO) classes
  - ▶ Contain data sent from Client to Dao and/or returned by DAO to Client
  - ▶ Represent the data model, as seen by the application
  - ▶ Usually POJO or JavaBean
  - ▶ Ignorant of DAO, ignorant of database, ignorant of Client

# DAO class diagram



# DAO Sequence diagram



# DAO design criteria

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- ▶ **DAO has no state**
  - ▶ No instance variables (except Connection - maybe)
- ▶ **DAO manages one 'kind' of data**
  - ▶ Uses a small number of DTO classes and interacts with a small number of DB tables
  - ▶ If you need more, create many DAO classes
- ▶ **DAO offers CRUD methods**
  - ▶ Create, Read, Update, Delete
- ▶ **DAO may offer search methods**
  - ▶ Returning collections of DTO

## public interface/class UserDao

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- ▶ `public User find(Long id)`
  - ▶ `public boolean find(Long id, User u)`
  - ▶ `public boolean find(User u) // uses u.id`
- ▶ `public User find(String email, String password)`
- ▶ `public List<User> list()`
- ▶ `List<User> searchUserByName(String name)`
  - ▶ `List<User> searchByName(User u) ; // only u.name matters`

## public interface/class UserDAO

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- ▶ `public void create(User user)`
  - ▶ `public Long create(User user) // returns new ID`
- ▶ `public void update(User user) // modify all except ID`
- ▶ `public void delete(User user)`
- ▶ `public boolean existEmail(String email)`
- ▶ `public void changePassword(User user)`





# Mapping Tables to Objects

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- ▶ Goal: guidelines for creating a set of Java POJOs (Plain Old Java Objects) to represent information stored in a relational database: will be used as DTO
- ▶ Goal: guidelines for designing the set of methods for DAO objects

# Tables → POJO ORM rules

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1. Create one POJO per each main database entity
  - ▶ Except tables used to store n:m relationships!
2. POJO names should match table names
  - ▶ In the singular form (Utente; User)
3. The POJO should have one private property for each column in the table, with matching names
  - ▶ According to Java naming conventions (NUMERO\_DATI -> numeroDati)
  - ▶ Match the data type
  - ▶ Except columns uses as foreign keys

# Tables → POJO ORM rules

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4. The main constructor must accept all the fields in the bean (one full data row)
  - ▶ Fields corresponding to foreign keys may not be present in the constructor (lazy object creation)
5. Add get()/set() methods for all properties
6. Define equals and hashCode, using the **exact** set of fields that compose the primary key of the table

# Relationships, Foreign keys → Beans

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- ▶ Define additional attributes in the POJO classes, for every relationship that we want to easily navigate in our application
  - ▶ Not necessarily *\*all\** relationships!

# Cardinality-1 relationship

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- ▶ A relationship with cardinality **1** maps to an attribute referring to the corresponding Java object
  - ▶ not the PK value
- ▶ Use singular nouns.

# 1:1 relationship

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STUDENTE

-----

matricola (PK)

fk\_persona

PERSONA

-----

codice\_fiscale (PK)

fk\_studente

```
class Studente { private Persona persona ; }  
{ private String codice_fiscale ; }
```

```
class Persona { private Studente studente ; }  
{ private int matricola ; }
```

# Cardinality-N relationship

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- ▶ A relationship with cardinality **N** maps to an attribute containing a collection
  - ▶ The elements of the collection are corresponding Java objects (not PK values).
  - ▶ Use plural nouns.
  - ▶ The collection may be Set or List.
- ▶ The bean should have methods for reading (get, ...) and modifying (add, ...) the collection



# 1:N relationship

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STUDENTE

CITTA

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matricola (PK)

cod\_citta (PK)

fk\_citta\_residenza

nome\_citta

```
class Studente {  
    private Citta cittaResidenza ; }  

```

```
class Citta {  
    private Collection<Studente> studentiResidenti ; }  

```

# 1:N relationship

STUDENTE

-----  
matricola (PK)  
fk\_citta\_residenza

CITTA

-----  
cod\_citta (PK)  
nome\_citta

In SQL, there is no «explicit»  
Citta->Studente foreign key.  
The same FK is used to  
navigate the relationship in  
both directions.

```
class Studente {  
    private Citta cittaResidenza ; }
```

```
class Citta {  
    private Collection<Studente> studentiResidenti ; }
```

In Java, both directions (if  
needed) must be represented  
explicitly.

# N:M relationship

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## ARTICLE

-----

id\_article (PK)

Article data...

## AUTHORSHIP

-----

id\_article (FK,PK\*)

id\_creator (FK,PK\*)

id\_authorship (PK#)

## CREATOR

-----

id\_creator (PK)

Creator data...

```
class Article
```

```
    { private Collection<Creator> creators ; }
```

```
class Creator
```

```
    { private Collection<Article> articles ; }
```

# N:M relationship

ARTICLE

-----  
id\_article (PK)  
Article data...

AUTHORSHIP

-----  
id\_article (FK, PK\*)  
id\_creator (FK, PK\*)  
id\_authorship (PK#)

CREATOR

-----  
id\_creator (PK)  
Creator data

In SQL, there is an extra table just for the N:M relationship .

The PK may be an extra field (#) or a combination of the FKs (\*)

```
class Article
```

```
{ private Collection<Creator> creators ; }
```

```
class Creator
```

```
{ private Collection<Article> articles ; }
```

The extra table is not represented.  
The PK is not used.

# Storing Keys vs Objects

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```
private int  
idCittaResidenza ;
```

- ▶ Store the *value* of the foreign key
- ▶ Easy to retrieve
- ▶ Must call `CittaDao.readCitta(id)` to have the real data
- ▶ Tends to perform more queries

```
private Citta  
cittaResidenza ;
```

- ▶ Store a *fully initialized object*, corresponding to the matching foreign row
- ▶ Harder to retrieve (must use a Join or multiple/nested queries)
- ▶ Gets all data at the same time (eager loading)
- ▶ All data is readily available
- ▶ Maybe such data will not be needed

# Storing Keys vs Objects (3rd way)

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```
private Citta  
cittaResidenza ; // lazy
```

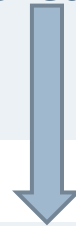
- ▶ Store a *partially* initialized object, with only the 'id' field set
  - ▶ Or even a null field
- ▶ Easy to retrieve
- ▶ Must call `CittaDao.readCitta(id)` to have the real data (lazy loading), but only once
- ▶ Loading details may be hidden behind getters

# Identity problem

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- ▶ It may happen that a single object gets retrieved many times, in different queries
  - ▶ Especially in the case of N:M relationships

```
List<Article> articles = dao.listArticle() ;  
for(Article a: articles) {  
    List<Creator> authors = dao.getCreatorsFor(a) ;  
    a.setCreators(authors) ;  
}
```



```
while(rs.next()) {  
    Creator c = new Creator( rs.getInt("id"), ... ) ;  
    result.add(c) ;  
}  
return result ;
```

# Identity problem

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  - ▶ Especially in the case of N:M relationships

```
List<Article> articles = dao.listArticle();
for(Article a: articles) {
    List<Creator> authors = dao.getCreators(a);
    a.setCreators(authors);
}
```

If the same Creator is author of many articles, a **new object** (with identical information) will be created, one per each article. A new, distinct object. They will all be **.equals()** to each other.

```
while(rs.next()) {
    Creator c = new Creator( rs.getInt("id"), ... );
    result.add(c);
}
return result;
```



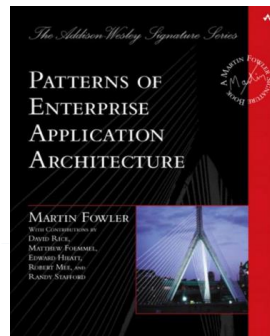
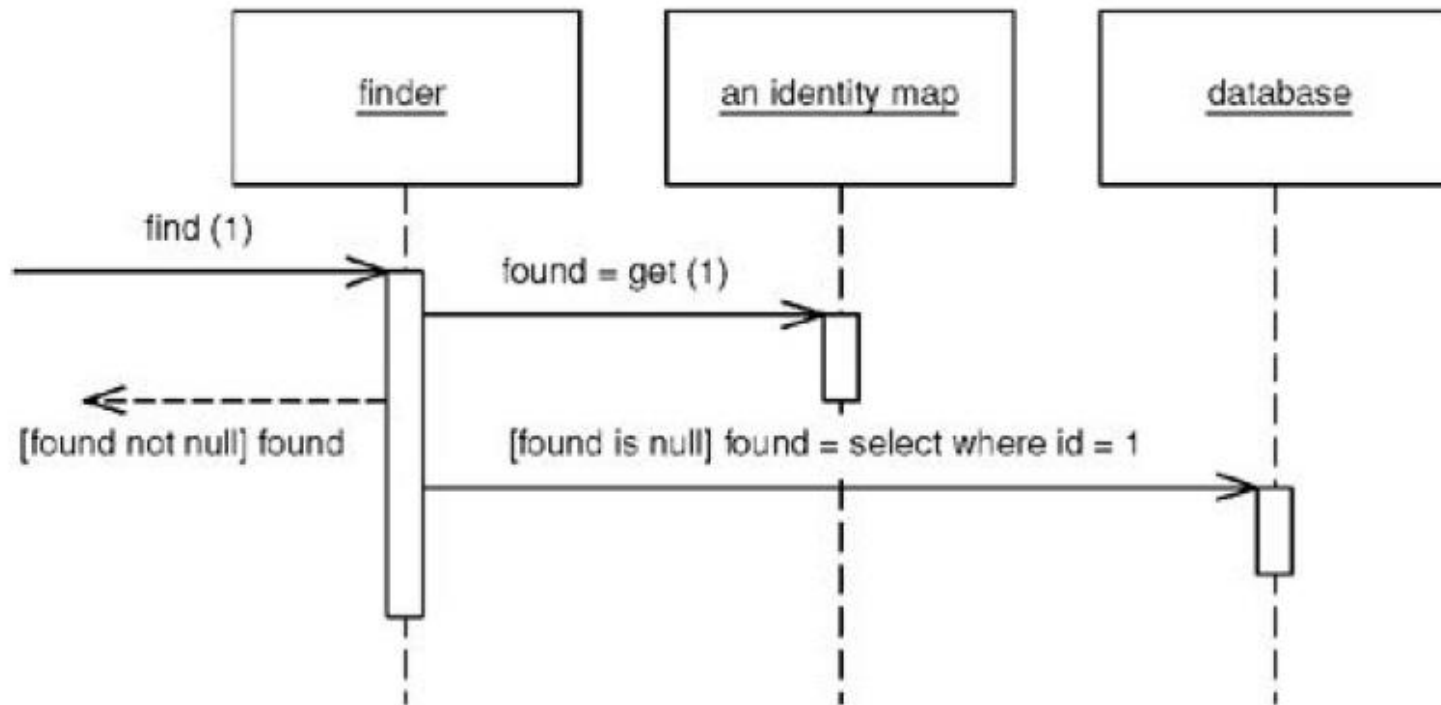
# Identity problem

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- ▶ It may happen that a single object gets retrieved many times, in different queries
  - ▶ Especially in the case of N:M relationships
- ▶ Different «identical» objects will be created (**new**)
  - ▶ They can be used interchangeably: `.equals()` and `.hashCode()` match
  - ▶ They waste memory space
  - ▶ They can't be compared for identity (`==` or `!=`)
  - ▶ You can't store additional information in those objects
- ▶ Solution: avoid creating pseudo-identical objects
  - ▶ Store all retrieved objects in a shared `Map<>`
  - ▶ Don't create an object if it's already in the map

# Identity Map pattern

- ▶ Ensures that each object gets loaded only once, by keeping every loaded object in a map
- ▶ Looks up objects using the map when referring to them.

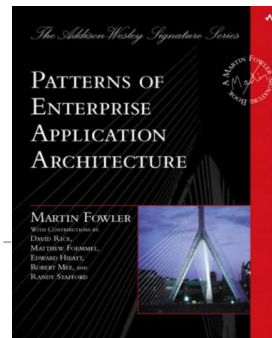


# Creating an Identity Map

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- ▶ One IdMap per database table
- ▶ The IdMap stores a private map
  - ▶ Key = field(s) of the Table that constitute the Primary Key
  - ▶ Value = Object representing the table

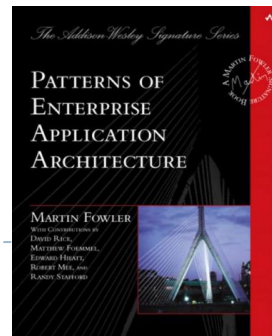
```
private Map<Key, TableName> TableIdMap ;
```



# Using the Identity Map

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- ▶ Create and store the IdMap in the Model
- ▶ Pass a reference to the IdMap to the DAO methods
- ▶ In the DAO, when loading an object from the database, first check the map
  - ▶ If there is a corresponding object, return it (and don't create a new one)
  - ▶ If there is no corresponding object, create a new object and put it into the map, for future reference
- ▶ If possible, check the map *before* doing the query





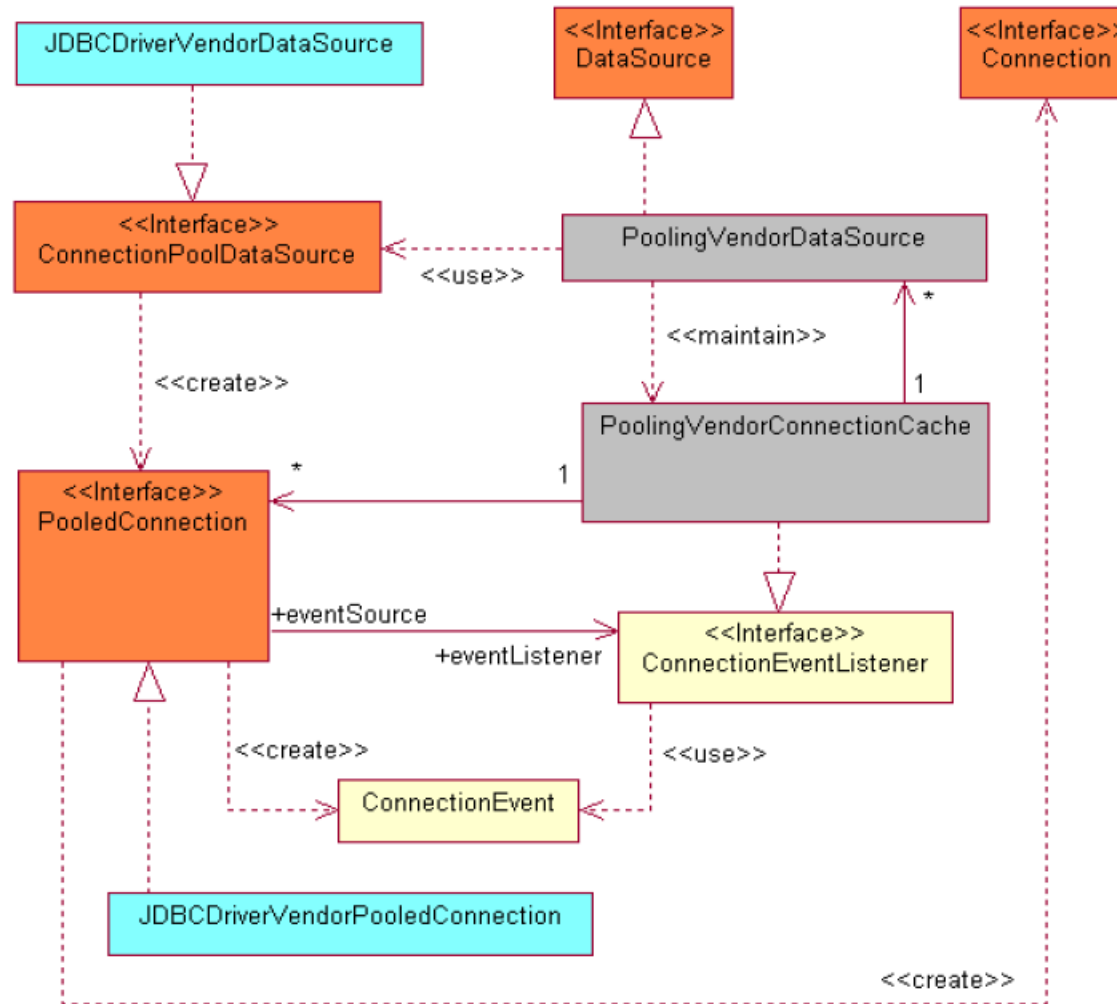
## Database access and JDBC

# Connection pooling

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- ▶ Opening and closing DB connection is expensive
  - ▶ Requires setting up TCP/IP connection, checking authorization, ...
  - ▶ After just 1-2 queries, the connection is dropped and all partial results are lost in the DBMS
- ▶ Connection pool
  - ▶ A set of “already open” database connections
  - ▶ DAO methods “lend” a connection for a short period, running queries
  - ▶ The connection is then returned to the pool (not closed!) and is ready for the next DAO needing it

# JDBC 3.0 Connection pooling architecture



# Benchmarks

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	100 iterations	100 iterations	1000 iterations	3000 iterations
<b>Pooling</b>	547 ms	<10 ms	47 ms	31 ms <sup>1</sup>
<b>Non-Pooling</b>	4859 ms	4453 ms	43625 ms	134375 ms

The first time, the connections must be created

Second time, reuse connections

Negligible overhead

10x slower

No improvement

Linear increase



# Connection Pooling libraries

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光 = «Light», «Ray»



<https://brettwooldridge.github.io/HikariCP/>



**c3p0 - JDBC3 Connection and Statement Pooling**  
version 0.9.5.4

<https://www.mchange.com/projects/c3p0/>

<https://translate.google.com/?client=firefox-b-d&um=1&ie=UTF-8&hl=en&client=tw-ob#ja/en/%E5%85%89>



# HikariCP library for CP

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- ▶ Open source library for adding connection pooling capabilities to JDBC drivers
  - ▶ <https://brettwooldridge.github.io/HikariCP>
  - ▶ <https://github.com/brettwooldridge/HikariCP>
- ▶ Connection Pooling
- ▶ Prepared Statement cache
  - ▶ Better at Driver level
  - ▶ <https://github.com/brettwooldridge/HikariCP/issues/488>
- ▶ Requirement: SLF4J (Simple Logging Facade for Java )  
<https://www.slf4j.org/>

**Detour: Logging**

<https://www.slf4j.org/manual.html>



# TdP Maven Archetype

- ▶ The Maven Archetype for TdP already includes the HikariCP library (and SLF4J dependency)... you don't need to download, install nor configure anything





# Using HikariCP

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```
import com.zaxxer.hikari.*;
...

HikariDataSource ds = new HikariDataSource();

ds.setJdbcUrl("jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/simpsons");
ds.setUsername("bart");
ds.setPassword("51mp50n");

...

ds.getConnection();
```

<https://github.com/brettwooldridge/HikariCP#initialization>



# Closing up

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- ▶ To release a connection to the pool:
  - ▶ `connection.close();`
  - ▶ ...otherwise the pool will run out of available connections!
- ▶ To destroy the connection pool and clean up resources:
  - ▶ `ds.close();`
  - ▶ Also disconnects from database.
  - ▶ May be placed in a `stop()` method in the main JavaFX class
- ▶ **Alternatively**
  - ▶ `DataSources.destroy(ds);`

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- ▶ <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/jdbc/TOC.html>
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- ▶ **More advanced tutorials**

- ▶ [https://www3.ntu.edu.sg/home/ehchua/programming/java/JDBC\\_Intermediate.html](https://www3.ntu.edu.sg/home/ehchua/programming/java/JDBC_Intermediate.html)

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- ▶ <http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.5/en/connector-j-usagenotes-j2ee.html#connector-j-usagenotes-tomcat>
- ▶ Tomcat tutorial: <http://tomcat.apache.org/tomcat-5.5-doc/jndi-resources-howto.html#JDBC%20Data%20Sources>
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