

Matching Engine

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1 Introduction

The Matching Engine is a tool for creating, cancelling, and matching orders for a hypothetical stock at a hypothetical stock exchange. It provides a REST API to achieve these objectives, as well as querying the system for historical orders and trades.

The system will be based around a SQL database. A Spring Boot application will query this database using JDBC, providing a REST API for a web frontend based on React to talk to. Entities will be validated with Spring/Hibernate. Time permitting, there will be an admin frontend based on Thymeleaf.

2 Database and Entities

There are four entities considered in this application, represented as tables in the database and classes in the Java application.

2.1 Database Entities

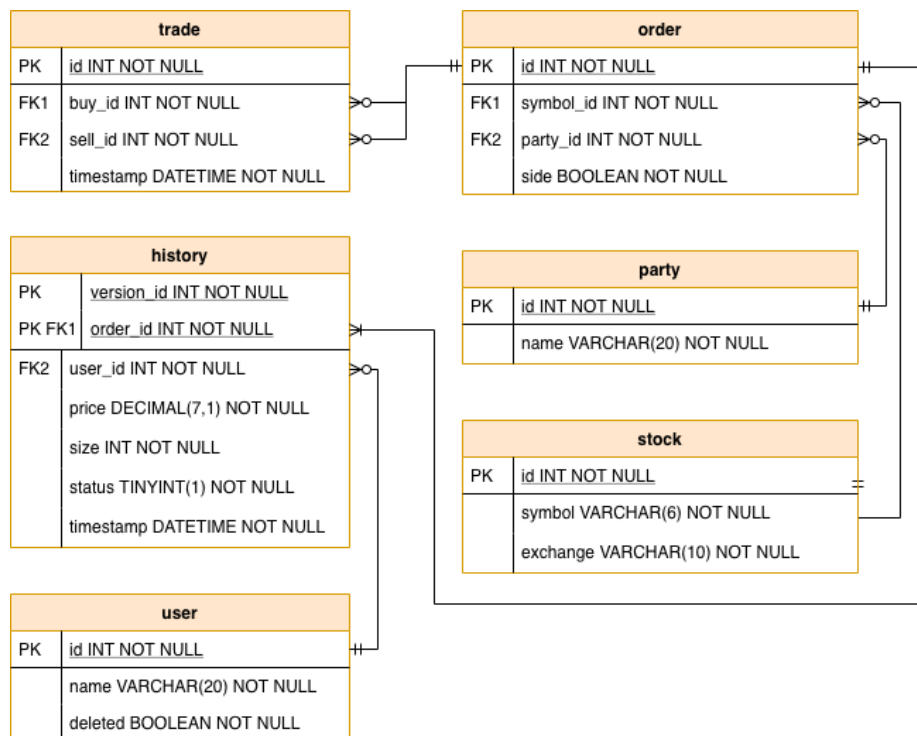


Figure 1: Database entity-relationship diagram

Stock The stock entity corresponds to a stock being traded at the exchange. It has an `id` to act as the primary key, a `symbol`, and the exchange the stock is traded at.

Party The party entity corresponds to an actual party (e.g. a company) trading the stock. It has an `id` for the primary key, and a `name`.

User The user entity corresponds to a user working with the application. It has an `id` to act as the primary key, a `name` (the username), and a `deleted` boolean to indicate whether the user is suppressed from the system - deleting the user from the table entirely will break a foreign key constraint with order histories, which we must preserve.

Order The order entity corresponds to a buy or sell order made in the application. It has an `id` to act as the primary key, a foreign key `party_id` referencing the party owning the stock making the trade, a `stock_id` referencing the stock being bought/sold, the side of the order as a boolean (0 = sell, 1 = buy).

History The history entity corresponds to the history of an order's price and size from when it is first created to when the order is fulfilled or cancelled. It has a `version_id` and `order_id` to represent the version of a referenced order, acting as the primary key, a `price`, a `size`, a `status` of the order, and a `timestamp` set to when a history row is made. The idea is that when an order changes its price, size, or status in the system (through user modification or trades being made), a new version is made.

Trade The trade entity corresponds to a trade made by the application matching a buy order and a sell order. It has an `id` to act as the primary key, `buy_id` and `sell_id` referencing the buy and sell order respectively, and an `execution_time` when the trade is made.

2.2 Java Entities

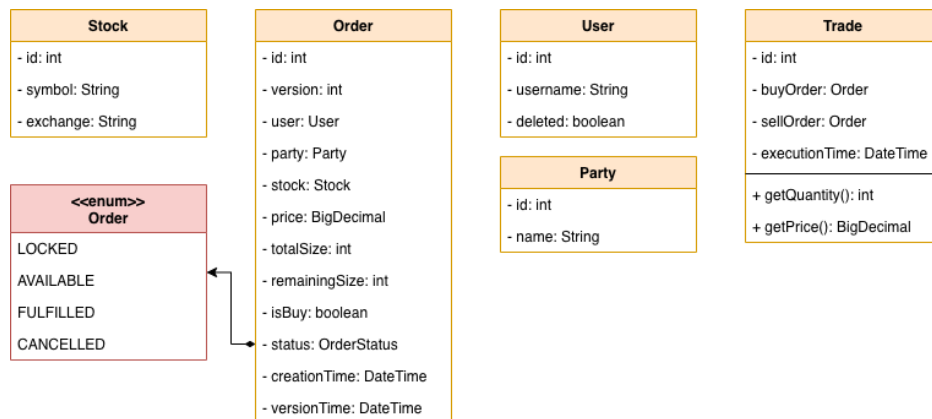


Figure 2: Java entities

Stock The Stock Java class corresponds exactly to the database. A Stock is valid if none of its fields are null, the symbol has length at most 6, and the exchange has length at most 10.

User The User Java class corresponds exactly to the database, with name being called username in the class. A User is valid if none of its fields are null, and its name is at most 20 characters.

Order The Order class is effectively a combination of the order and history tables. Within the Order class, the `user_id` field will be replaced by the referenced user entity, and the `stock_id` will be replaced by the referenced stock entity. The boolean field `isBuy` will take the place of `side` in the table, being `true` if the order's side is buy, and `false` if the side is sell. The reason for this decision is that it will be easier to store in the database. The `status` field will be an enum matching the `status` column in the table.

The Order class will take values from the history table for the `price` and `remainingSize`. The fields `creationTime` and `lotSize` will be the relevant fields taken from the history table for when the order was first created.

An order is valid if none of its fields are null, the price has at most 7 digits with 1 digit after the decimal point, the `lotSize` and `remainingSize` is at most 100 000, the status is between 1 and 3, and the creation time is in the past.

Trade Within Java, the `buy_id` and `sell_id` will be replaced by the referenced order entities, with the orders set to be as they were at the time of the trade. There will be a `getQuantity()` property, which will be calculated based on the size of the buy and sell order at the time the trade is made, and a `getPrice()` property, which will be calculated based on the the price of the sell order at the time the trade is made.

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3 Java Backend

Most things in the backend are CRUD. For each Java entity, there is a controller (`@RestController`), a service layer, and a DAO. The relevant classes for Orders are larger than the others, and most interesting are the `createOrder(..)` and `editOrder(..)` methods in the `OrderService`. These methods take in some preliminary values for a new/edited Order, construct it, check if it's valid (throwing an exception containing a list of validation errors if not), and adds it to the database. It then checks the `OrderDao` for any matching orders, creating a Trade entity and updating the relevant Orders if so.

4 REST Endpoints

4.1 Stock

GET /stock Returns a JSON array of all stocks in the system.

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GET /trade/{id} Returns a JSON object of a trade in the system with the given ID if it can be found, and 404 not found otherwise.

4.3 User

GET /user Returns a JSON array of all users in the system.

4.4 Order

GET /order/buy Returns a JSON array of all buy orders in the system.

GET /order/sell Returns a JSON array of all sell orders in the system.

GET /order/status/{status} Returns a JSON array of all orders with the given status (pending, fulfilled, cancelled). Returns 404 Not Found if the given status does not exist.

GET /order/user/{id} Returns a JSON array of all orders made by the given user, returning 404 Not Found if a user with the given ID does not exist in the system.

GET /order/{id} Returns a JSON object of the order with the given ID, returning 404 Not Found if it cannot be found.

POST /order?stock-id={stockId}&is-buy={isBuy}&price={price}&size={size} Creates an order in the system with the given parameters, returning a JSON object of the order if it succeeded, and 422 Unprocessable Entity if it did not succeed due to a bad parameter.

POST /order/cancel/{id} Cancels the order with the given ID, returning 404 Not Found if the given order doesn't exist.

POST /order/edit/{id}?stock-id={stockId}&is-buy={isBuy}&price={price}&size={size} Edits an order in the system with the given ID with the given parameters, returning a JSON object of the order if it succeeded, 404 Not Found if the order does not exist, and 422 Unprocessable Entity if it did not succeed due to a bad parameter.

5 User Frontend

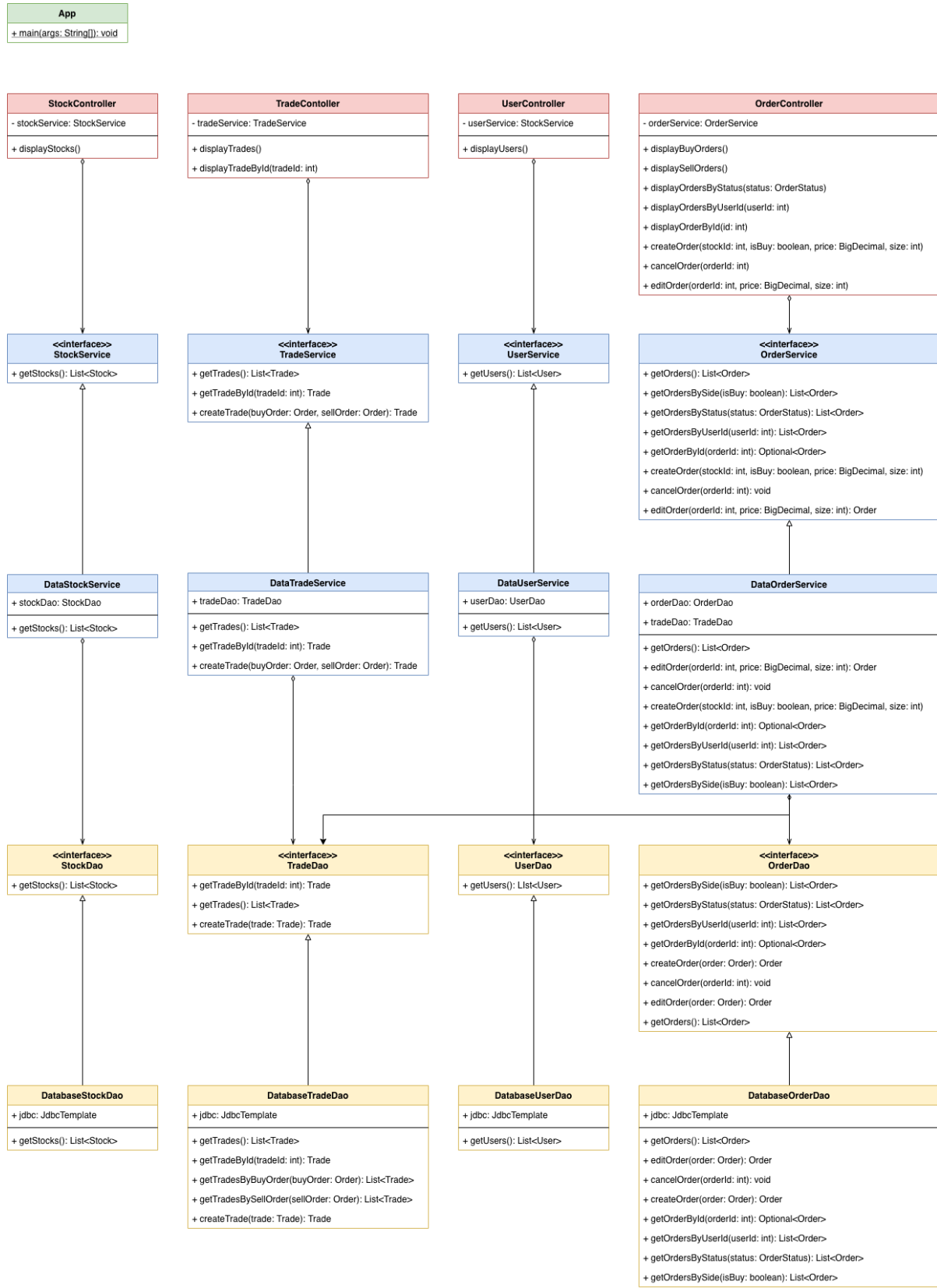


Figure 3: Class diagram