



JPA with Spring

Object Relational Mapping with Spring
and Java Persistence API

Objectives

- After completing this lesson, you should be able to:
 - Explain the basic concepts of JPA
 - Configure JPA using Spring
 - Implement a JPA DAO
 - Explain how JPA Integration is implemented by Spring



Agenda

- **Introduction to JPA**
 - **General Concepts**
 - **Mapping**
 - **Querying**
- **Configuring JPA in Spring**
- **Optional and Advanced Topics**



Introduction to JPA

- The Java Persistence API (JPA) is designed for operating on domain objects
 - Defined as POJO entities
 - No special interface required
- A common API for object-relational mapping
 - Derived from experience with existing products
 - JBoss Hibernate
 - Oracle TopLink (now EclipseLink)

About JPA

- Java Persistence API
 - Current version: 2.2 – released mid-2017
- Configuration
 - Persistence Unit
- Key Features
 - Entity Manager
 - Entity Manager Factory
 - Persistence Context

JPA Configuration

- **Persistence Unit**

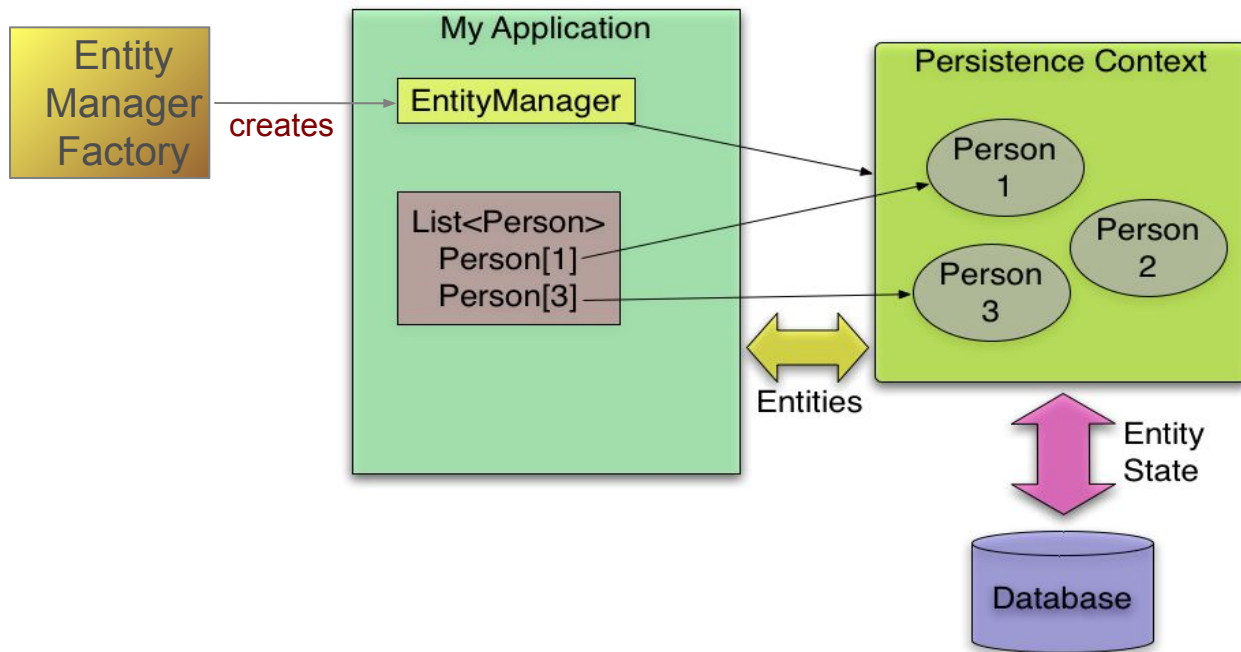
- Describes a group of persistent classes (entities)
- Defines provider(s)
- Defines transactional types (local vs JTA)
- Multiple Units per application are allowed
- Defined by the file: **`persistence.xml`**



JPA General Concepts

- **EntityManager**
 - Manages a unit of work and persistent objects therein: the *PersistenceContext*
 - Lifecycle often bound to a Transaction (usually container-managed)
- **EntityManagerFactory**
 - Thread-safe, shareable object that represents a single data source / persistence unit
 - Provides access to new application-managed EntityManagers

Persistence Context and EntityManager



The EntityManager API

<code>persist(Object o)</code>	Adds the entity to the Persistence Context: <i>SQL: insert into table ...</i>
<code>remove(Object o)</code>	Removes the entity from the Persistence Context: <i>SQL: delete from table ...</i>
<code>find(Class entity, Object primaryKey)</code>	Find by primary key: <i>SQL: select * from table where id = ?</i>
<code>Query createQuery (String jpqlString)</code>	Create a JPQL query
<code>flush()</code>	Force changed entity state to be written to database immediately

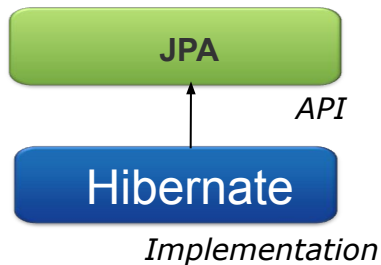
Plus many other methods ...

JPA Providers

- Several major implementations of JPA spec
 - Hibernate EntityManager
 - Used inside JBoss
 - EclipseLink (RI)
 - Used inside GlassFish
 - Apache OpenJPA
 - Used by Oracle WebLogic and IBM WebSphere
 - Data Nucleus
 - Used by Google App Engine
- **Can all be used without application server as well**
 - Independent part of EJB 3 spec

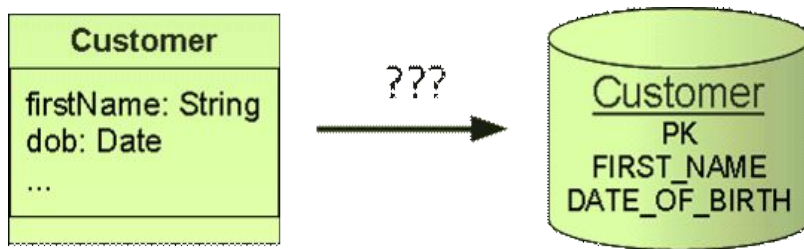
Hibernate JPA

- Hibernate adds JPA support through an additional library
 - The *Hibernate EntityManager*
 - Hibernate *sessions* used behind JPA *interfaces*
 - Custom annotations for Hibernate specific extensions not covered by JPA
 - less important since JPA version 2



JPA Mapping

- JPA requires metadata for mapping classes/fields to database tables/columns
 - Usually provided as annotations
 - XML mappings also supported (**orm.xml**)
 - Intended for overrides only – not shown here
- JPA metadata relies on defaults
 - No need to provide metadata for the obvious



What can you Annotate?



- Classes
 - Applies to the entire class (such as table properties)
- Fields
 - Typically mapped to a column
 - By default, *all* treated as persistent
 - Mappings will be defaulted
 - Unless annotated with **@Transient** (non-persistent)
 - Accessed directly via Reflection
- Properties (getters)
 - Also mapped to a column
 - Annotate getters instead of fields

Mapping Using Fields (Data-Members)

```
@Entity
@Table(name= "T_CUSTOMER")
public class Customer {
    @Id
    @Column(name="cust_id")
    private Long id;

    @Column(name="first_name")
    private String firstName;

    @Transient
    private User currentUser;

    ...
}
```

Mark as an *entity*

Optionally override *table name*

Mark *id-field*
(primary key)

Optionally override
column names

Not stored in database

Only `@Entity` and `@Id` are mandatory

Data members set *directly*

- using *reflection*
- "*field*" access
- *no setters needed*

Mapping Using Accessors (Properties)

Must place `@Id` on the *getter* method



Other annotations now also placed on *getter* methods



```
@Entity @Table(name= "T_CUSTOMER")
public class Customer {
    private Long id;
    private String firstName;

    @Id
    @Column (name="cust_id")
    public Long getId()
    { return this.id; }

    @Column (name="first_name")
    public String getFirstName()
    { return this.firstName; }

    public void setFirstName(String fn)
    { this.firstName = fn; }
}
```

Relationships

- Common relationship mappings supported
 - Single entities and entity collections both supported
 - Associations can be uni- or bi-directional

```
@Entity
@Table(name= "T_CUSTOMER")
public class Customer {
    @Id
    @Column (name="cust_id")
    private Long id;

    @OneToMany
    @JoinColumn (name="cid")
    private Set<Address> addresses;
    ...
}
```

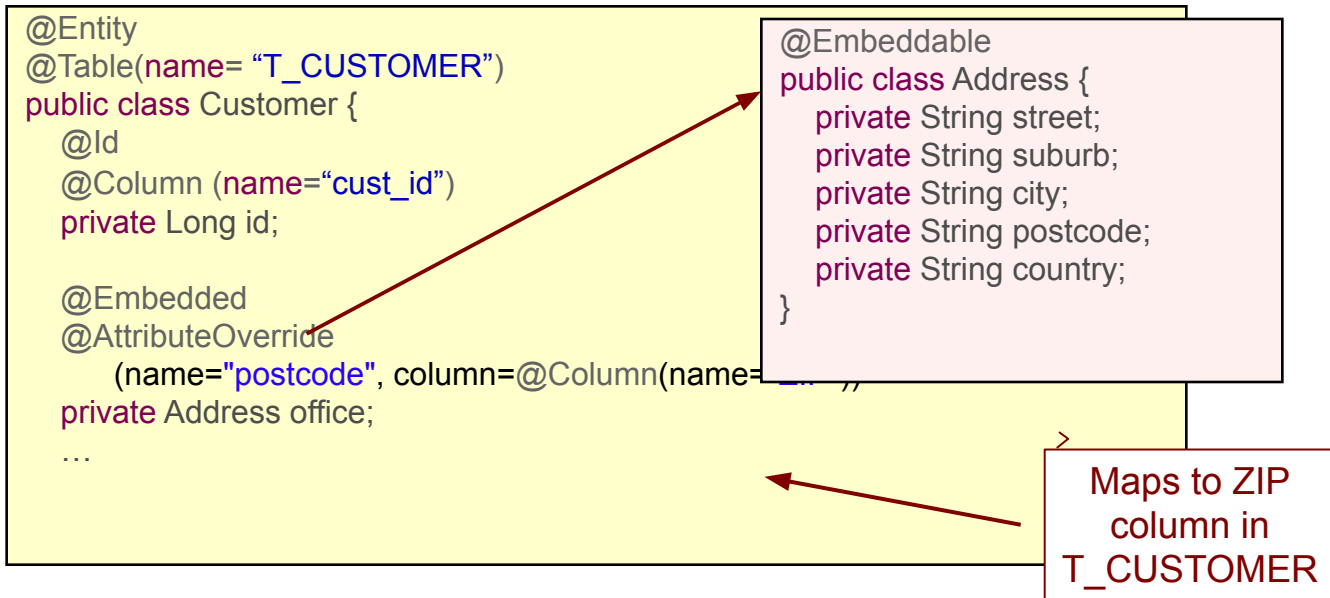
```
@Entity
@Table(name= "T_ADDRESS")
public class Address {
    @Id private Long id;
    private String street;
    private String suburb;
    private String city;
    private String postcode;
    private String country;
}
```



Foreign key in
Address table

Embeddables

- Map a table row to multiple classes
 - Address fields also columns in `T_CUSTOMER`
 - `@AttributeOverride` overrides mapped column name



JPA Querying

- JPA provides several options for accessing data
 - Retrieve an object by primary key
 - Query for objects using JPA Query Language (JPQL)
 - Similar to SQL and HQL
 - Query for objects using Criteria Queries (appendix)
 - API for creating ad hoc queries
 - Execute SQL directly to underlying database (appendix)
 - “Native” queries, allow DBMS-specific SQL to be used
 - Consider JdbcTemplate instead when not using managed objects
 - more options/control, more efficient

JPA Querying: By Primary Key

- To retrieve an object by its database identifier simply call *find()* on the EntityManager

```
Long customerId = 123L;  
Customer customer = entityManager.find(Customer.class, customerId);
```

returns **null** if no object exists for the identifier

No cast required – JPA uses generics

JPA Querying: JPQL

- SELECT clause required
- can't use *

- Query for objects based on properties or associations ...

// Query with named parameters

```
TypedQuery<Customer> query = entityManager.createQuery(  
    "select c from Customer c where c.address.city = :city", Customer.class);  
query.setParameter("city", "Chicago");  
List<Customer> customers = query.getResultList();
```

// ... or using a single statement

```
List<Customer> customers2 = entityManager.  
    createQuery("select c from Customer c ...", Customer.class);  
    setParameter("city", "Chicago").getResultList();
```

// ... or if expecting a single result

```
Customer customer = query.getSingleResult();
```

Specify class to
populate / return

Can also use bind ? variables
– indexed from 1 like JDBC

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Quick Start – Spring JPA Configuration

- Steps to using JPA with Spring
 1. Define Mapping Metadata (already covered)
 2. Define an EntityManagerFactory bean.
 3. Define Transaction Manager and DataSource beans
 4. Define Repository/DAO



Note: There are many configuration options for *EntityManagerFactory*, *persistence.xml*, and *DataSource*. See the optional section for details.

2. Define the EntityManagerFactory

```
@Bean
public LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean entityManagerFactory() {

    HibernateJpaVendorAdapter adapter = new HibernateJpaVendorAdapter();
    adapter.setShowSql(true);
    adapter.setGenerateDdl(true);
    adapter.setDatabase(Database.HSQL);

    Properties props = new Properties();
    props.setProperty("hibernate.format_sql", "true");

    LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean emfb =
        new LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean();
    emfb.setDataSource(dataSource);
    emfb.setPackagesToScan("rewards.internal");
    emfb.setJpaProperties(props);
    emfb.setJpaVendorAdapter(adapter);

    return emfb;
}
```

*NOTE: no persistence.xml
needed when using Spring's
packagesToScan property*

3. Transaction Manager & DataSource

```
@Bean
public LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean entityManagerFactory() {
    // See previous slide
    ...
    return entityManagerFactoryBean;
}
```

Method returns a *FactoryBean*...

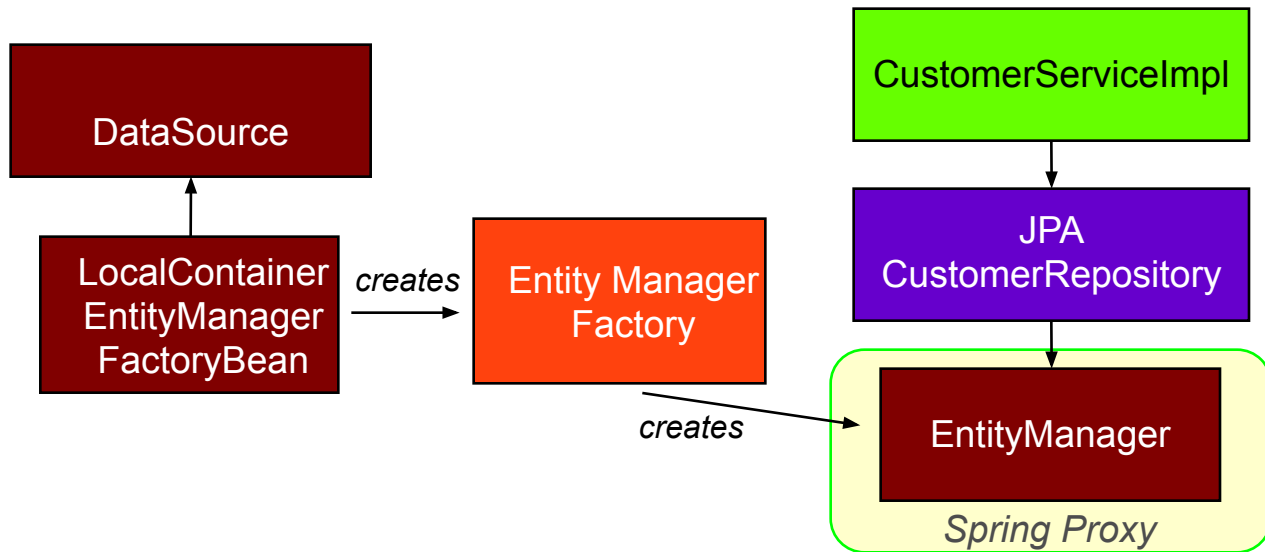
... Spring calls getObject() on the FactoryBean to obtain the *EntityManagerFactory*:

```
@Bean
public PlatformTransactionManager
    transactionManager(EntityManagerFactory emf) {
    return new JpaTransactionManager(emf);
}
```

Or ... use **JtaTransactionManager**

```
@Bean
public DataSource dataSource() { /* Lookup via JNDI or create locally */ }
```


EntityManagerFactoryBean Configuration



Proxy automatically finds entity-manager for current transaction

4. Implementing JPA Repository

- The code – *no Spring dependencies*

```
public class JpaCustomerRepository implements CustomerRepository {  
  
    private EntityManager entityManager;  
  
    @PersistenceContext  
    public void setEntityManager (EntityManager entityManager) {  
        this.entityManager = entityManager;  
    }  
  
    public Customer findById(long orderId) {  
        return entityManager.find(Customer.class, orderId);  
    }  
}
```

Spring *Singleton* Bean

JPA's equivalent to *@Autowired*

Entity-manager is a *proxy*

Proxy resolves to entity-manager of *current request* when used

Define JPA Repository as Spring Bean

- The definition
 - No need to explicitly call `setEntityManager()`

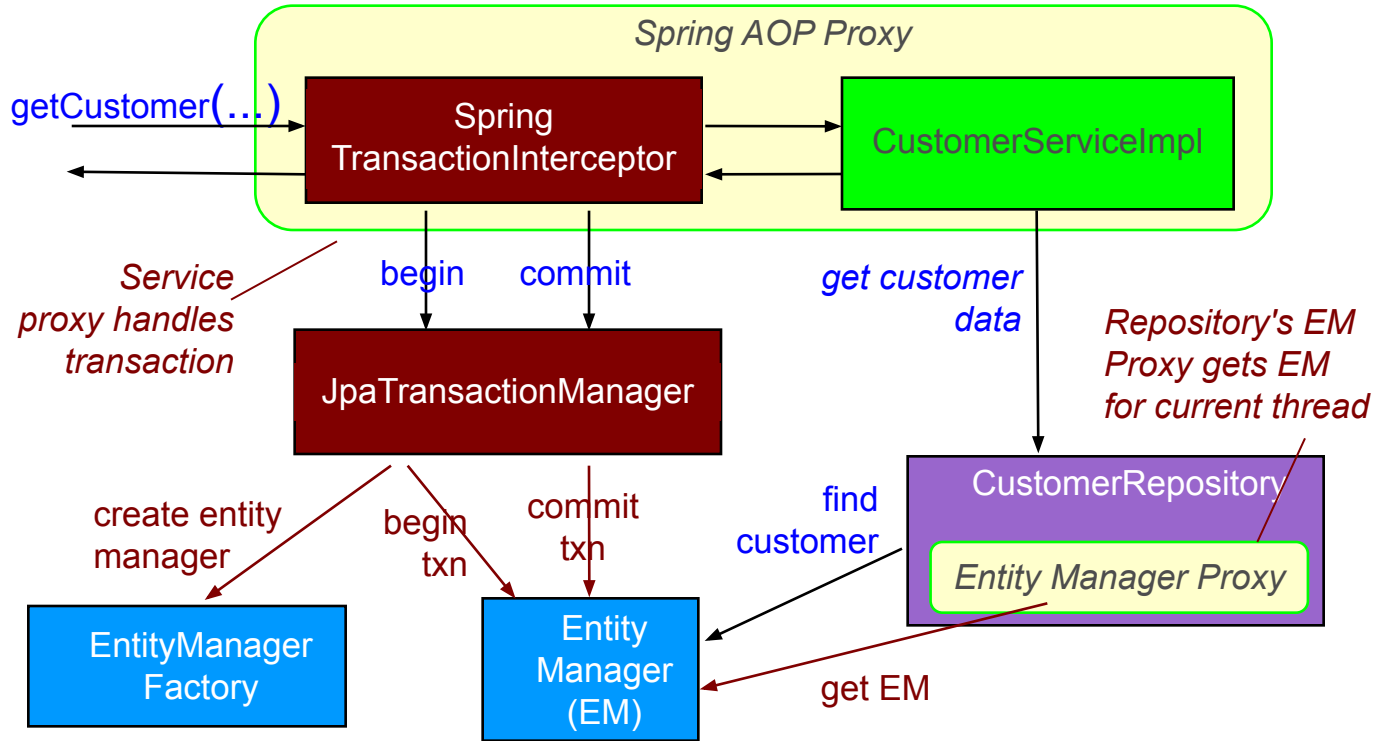
```
@Bean
```

```
public CustomerRepository jpaCustomerRepository() {  
    return new JpaCustomerRepository();  
}
```

Automatic injection of
entity-manager *proxy*

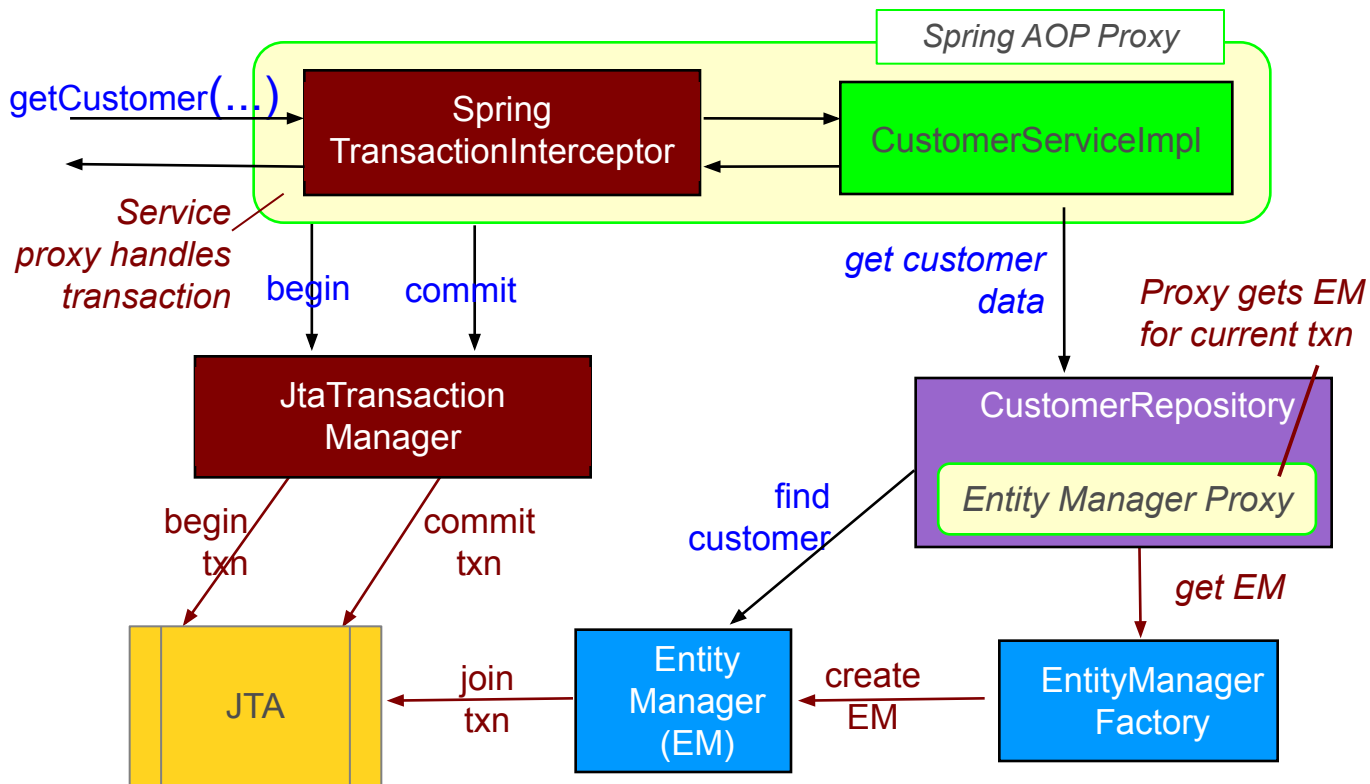
How it Works (JPA)

Spring defines *where* transactions are
... JPA *implements* them



How it Works (JTA)

Spring defines *where* transactions are
... JTA *implements* them
... JPA *joins* and uses them



Implementing JPA DAOs with Spring

- Spring defines *where* transactions occur
 - Delegates to a JPA EntityManager to implement them
 - Supports local or global (JTA) transactions
- *EntityManager* is a “proxy”
 - Allows a singleton Repository to access the right *EntityManager* for current transaction in current thread
- There are *no* Spring dependencies in your Repository (DAO) implementations

Summary

- Use 100% JPA to define entities and access data
 - Repositories have no Spring dependency
- Use Spring to configure JPA entity-manager factory
 - Smart proxy works with Spring-driven transactions
 - Spring defines where transactions begin & end
 - JPA entity-managers implements them

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Transparent Exception Translation (1)

- Used as-is, the DAO implementations described earlier will throw unchecked JPA PersistenceExceptions
 - Not desirable to let these propagate up to the service layer or other users of the DAOs
 - Introduces dependency on the specific persistence solution that should not exist
- AOP allows translation to Spring's rich, vendor-neutral **DataAccessException** hierarchy
 - Hides access technology used

Transparent Exception Translation (2)

- Spring provides this capability out of the box
 - Annotate with `@Repository`
 - Is also an `@Component`, so will be found by component-scanner

```
@Repository
public class JpaCustomerRepository implements CustomerRepository {
    ...
}
```

Transparent Exception Translation (3)

- Make Spring apply AOP to the the annotated repository
 - Requires a Spring-provided BeanPostProcessor
 - `PersistenceExceptionTranslationPostProcessor`
 - If any Spring bean defines `PersistenceException-Translator`
 - Spring creates a `PersistenceException-TranslationPostProcessor` bean *automatically*
- `LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean` does this for you
 - All you need to do is use `@Repository`

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JPA Querying: Typed Queries

- Criteria Query API (JPA 2)
 - Build type safe queries: fewer run-time errors
 - Much more verbose

```
public List<Customer> findByLastName(String lastName) {  
    CriteriaBuilder builder = entityManager.getCriteriaBuilder();  
    CriteriaQuery<Customer> cq = builder.createQuery(Customer.class);  
    Predicate condition =  
        builder.equal(cq.from(Customer.class).get(Customer_.lastName), lastName);  
    cq.where(condition);  
  
    return entityManager.createQuery(cq).getResultList();  
}
```

Meta-data class
created by JPA
(note underscore)

JPA Querying: SQL

- Use a *native* query to execute raw SQL

// Query for multiple rows

```
Query query = entityManager.createNativeQuery(
    "SELECT cust_num FROM T_CUSTOMER c WHERE cust_name LIKE ?");
query.setParameter(1, "%ACME%");
List<String> customerNumbers = query.getResultList();
```

No *named* parameter support

Indexed from 1
– like JDBC

// ... or if expecting a single result

```
String customerNumber = (String) query.getSingleResult();
```

Specify class to
populate/return

// Query for multiple columns

```
Query query = entityManager.createNativeQuery(
    "SELECT ... FROM T_CUSTOMER c WHERE ...", Customer.class);
List<Customer> customers = query.getResultList();
```

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Setting up an EntityManagerFactory

- Three ways to set up an EntityManagerFactory:
 - LocalEntityManagerFactoryBean
 - LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean
 - Use a JNDI lookup
- **persistence.xml** required for configuration
 - From version 3.1, Spring allows no *persistence.xml* with LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean

persistence.xml

<?xml?>

- Always stored in META-INF
- Specifies “persistence unit”:
 - optional vendor-dependent information
 - DB Connection properties often specified here

```
<persistence version="1.0"
  xmlns="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence
  http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence/persistence\_1\_0.xsd">
  <persistence-unit name="rewardNetwork"/>
  ...
</persistence>
```

Pivotal. — File required by JPA, optional when using Spring with JPA!

LocalContainer

EntityManagerFactoryBean

- Provides full JPA capabilities
- Integrates with existing DataSources
- Useful when fine-grained customization needed
 - Can specify vendor-specific configuration

We saw this earlier using
100% Spring configuration
In both XML and Java



Configuration – Spring *and* Persistence Unit

@Bean

```
public LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean entityManagerFactory() {  
    LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean emfb =  
        new LocalContainerEntityManagerFactoryBean();  
    emfb.setDataSource(dataSource);  
    emfb.setPersistenceUnitName("rewardNetwork");  
    return emfb;  
}
```

Minimal Spring Configuration

Do JPA configuration in
persistence.xml

```
<persistence-unit name="rewardNetwork">  
    <provider>org.hibernate.ejb.HibernatePersistence</provider>  
    <properties>  
        <property name="hibernate.dialect"  
            value="org.hibernate.dialect.HSQLDialect"/>  
        <property name="hibernate.hbm2ddl.auto" value="create"/>  
        <property name="hibernate.show_sql" value="true" />  
        <property name="hibernate.format_sql" value="true" />  
    </properties>  
</persistence-unit>
```

If using JTA, declare `<jta-data-source>` in persistence.xml

JNDI Lookups

- JNDI lookup used to retrieve an *EntityManagerFactory* from an application server
 - Use when deploying to JEE Application Servers
 - WebSphere, WebLogic, JBoss, Glassfish ...

```
@Bean
public EntityManagerFactory entityManagerFactory() throws Exception {
    Context ctx = new InitialContext();
    return (EntityManagerFactory) ctx.lookup("persistence/rewardNetwork");
}
```

Topics Covered

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