

# Querying and Modifying Entities

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## 1. Querying Entities

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## Defining a Repository Component

- In this chapter we'll use JPA to query and modify entities
  - Via methods in the JPA EntityManager class

- We'll put all our data-access code in a repository component
  - We'll inject an EntityManager bean as follows:

```
import jakarta.persistence.*;
...
@Repository
public class EmployeeRepository {
     @PersistenceContext
     private EntityManager entityManager;
     // Methods to create, read, update, delete entities.
     ...
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



## Finding an Entity by Primary Key

- To find an entity by primary key:
  - Call find() on the EntityManager
  - Returns null if entity not found

```
public Employee getEmployee(long employeeId) {
    return entityManager.find(Employee.class, employeeId);
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



### Working with Queries

- Define a query string
  - Using JPQL (or SQL)
- Pass it into EntityManager's createQuery() method
  - The method returns a TypedQuery<T> object
- Call one of these methods on the TypedQuery<T> object:
  - getSingleResult()
  - getResultList()



## Performing a Simple Query

Here's a query that returns a single result:

```
public long getEmployeeCount() {
    String jpql = "select count(e) from Employee e";
    TypedQuery<Long> query = entityManager.createQuery(jpql, Long.class);
    return query.getSingleResult();
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



#### Getting a List of Entities

Here's a query that returns a list of entities:

```
public List<Employee> getEmployees() {
    String jpql = "select e from Employee e";
    TypedQuery<Employee> query = entityManager.createQuery(jpql, Employee.class);
    return query.getResultList();
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



# 2. Modifying Entities

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#### Overview

- JPA lets you insert, update, and delete entities
- You must put these operations in a transactional method in a component class
  - Annotate method with @Transactional

```
@Transactional
public void someMethodToModifyEntities() {
    ...
}
```



## Inserting an Entity

This is how you insert an entity in the database:

```
@Transactional
public void insertEmployee(Employee e) {
    entityManager.persist(e);
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



## Updating an Entity

This is how you update an entity in the database:

```
@Transactional
public void employeePayRise(long id, double payRise) {
    Employee emp = entityManager.find(Employee.class, id);
    emp.setDosh(emp.getDosh() + payRise);
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



## Deleting an Entity

• This is how you delete an entity in the database:

```
@Transactional
public void deleteEmployee(long employeeId) {
    Employee e = entityManager.find(Employee.class, employeeId);
    entityManager.remove(e);
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



## Summary

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