Homework 3 Warehouse Management

How to use Database Connection and Reflection in a Layered Architecture

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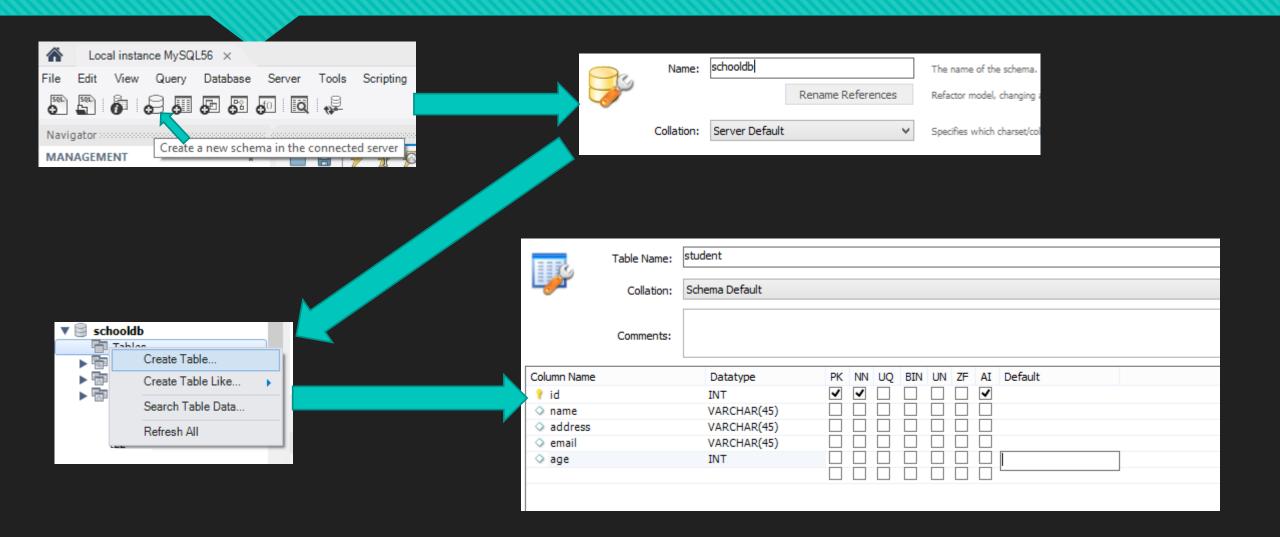
Database Connection

Database Connection Prerequisites

Prerequisites:

- Install MySQL and MySQL Wokbench (see Install Mysql.pdf)
- Create a database in MySQL Workbench:
 - **Schema:** schooldb
 - **Table:** student

Database Connection Prerequisites



Database Connection Code

- This class contains the name of the driver (initialized through reflection), the database location (DBURL), and the user and the password for accessing the MySQL Server
- The connection to the DB will be placed in a Singleton* object
- The class contains methods for creating a connection, getting an active connection and closing a connection, a Statement or a ResultSet

```
public class ConnectionFactory {
    private static final Logger LOGGER = Logger.getLogger(ConnectionFactory.class.getName());
    private static final String DRIVER = "com.mysql.cj.jdbc.Driver";
    private static final String DBURL = "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/schooldb";
    private static final String USER = "root";
    private static final String PASS = "root";
    private static ConnectionFactory singleInstance = new ConnectionFactory();
    private ConnectionFactory() {
            Class.forName(DRIVER);
        } catch (ClassNotFoundException e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
    private Connection createConnection() {
    public static Connection getConnection() {[]
    public static void close(Connection connection) {[]
    public static void close(Statement statement) {[]
    public static void close(ResultSet resultSet) {[.]
```

Database Connection Table Mapping

- In order to extract elements from the DB table, a special class (named entity) must be created.
- This class MUST have the fields exactly the same type as the columns from the corresponding table
- The class must have also constructors, getters and setters



Database Connection Dependencies

- In order for the Java application to interact with the DB, a special .jar library must be added to the application
- It can be added either as an external jar file dependency or as a maven dependency, in case of a
 Maven project

J.	docs			File folder
	src			File folder
<u>\$</u>	mysql-connector-java-5.1.41-bin.jar	992,808	944,711	Executable Jar File
	CHANGES	242,633	80,747	File
6	COPYING	18,122	6,787	File
6	README	61,407	13,437	File
	README.txt	63,658	16,116	Text Document
6	build.xml	91,463	13,940	XML File

- The Java application uses this external library to communicate with the MySQL server
- O It sends queries to the server using **Statements** and it receives the results of the queries as **ResultSet**

Database Connection Statement

Creating and executing a query - <u>Statement</u>:

- Define a string with the query
- Create a connection to the DB
- Initialize the query
- Add the parameters to the query (the ? Will be replaced with data from the application)
- Execute the query

Database Connection Result Set

- The results of the query execution are stored in a result set:
- Each element of the result set corresponds to a row from the table
- The result set can be iterated
- The properties/values from the columns can be extracted if the column name is known

```
rs = findStatement.executeQuery();
rs.next();

String name = rs.getString("name");
String address = rs.getString("address");
String email = rs.getString("email");
int age = rs.getInt("age");
```

Database Connection Closing the connection

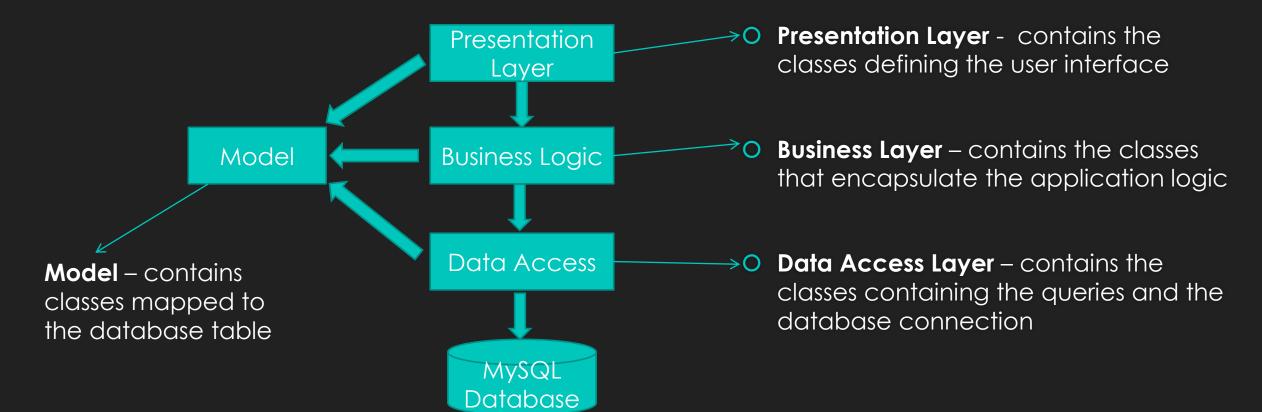
- After each operation the connection must be closed:
 - The result set
 - The statement
 - The connection

```
ConnectionFactory.close(rs);
ConnectionFactory.close(findStatement);
ConnectionFactory.close(dbConnection);
```

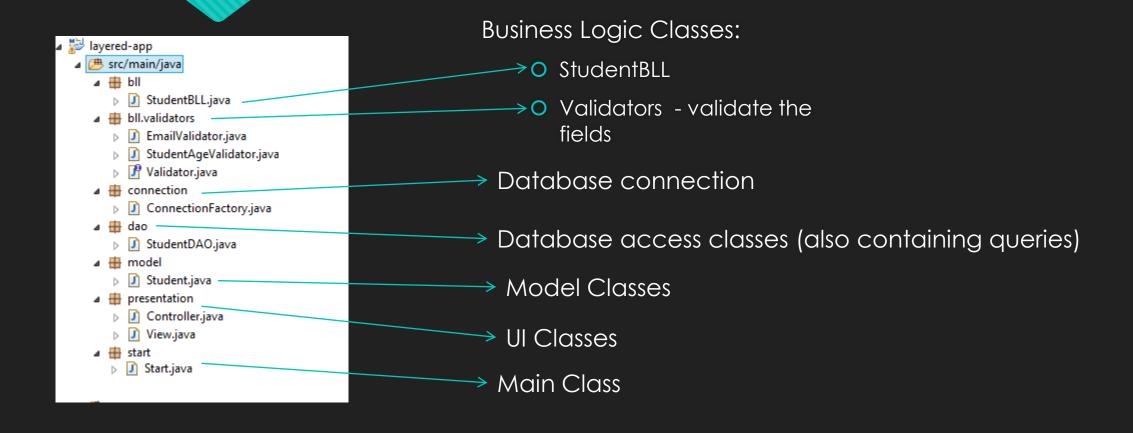
Layered Architecture

3- tier architecture

- Split the application in different layers
- Each layer has a special purpose and calls functions of the layers below it



3- tier architecture



Reflection Techniques

Extract properties and values

- Problem: Given an instance of any object,extract the fields and the corresponding values
 - (1) Line 9 obtain the class of the object and request the declared fields of that class
 - (2) For each declared field:
 - Line 10 Set the field accessible (most of them are private => need to change permissions)
 - Line 13 Return the value of the current field contained in the specified object
 - Line 14 Print the field's name and its value

```
public class ReflectionExample {

public static void retrieveProperties(Object object) {

for (Field field : object.getClass().getDeclaredFields()) {
    field.setAccessible(true);
    Object value;
    try {
       value = field.get(object);
       System.out.println(field.getName() + "=" + value);

} catch (IllegalArgumentException e) {
       e.printStackTrace();
    } catch (IllegalAccessException e) {
       e.printStackTrace();
    }
} catch (IllegalAccessException e) {
       e.printStackTrace();
    }
}
```

```
public class AbstractDAO<T> {
    protected static final Logger LOGGER = Logger.getLogger(AbstractDAO.class.getName());

private final Class<T> type;

@SuppressWarnings("unchecked")
public AbstractDAO() {
    this.type = (Class<T>) ((ParameterizedType) getClass().getGenericSuperclass()).getActualTypeArguments()[0];
}

}
```

- Problem: Propose a smart solution for constructing the DAO classes using Generics and Reflection
 - Line 26 Define a class AbstractDAO that defines the common operations for accessing a table: Insert, Update, Delete, FindByld, FindAll. Define the operations on the specified generic type <T> (! T can be any Java Model Class that is mapped to the Database, and has the same name as the table and the same instance variables and data types as the table fields)
 - Line 29; Line 33 For each AbstractDAO object obtain the class of the generic type T

- Problem: Propose a smart solution for constructing the DAO classes using Generics and Reflection – findByld method
 - O Line 54- A generic query is build using the id field name (!

 The value "id" can be replaced in a generic way by defining a custom annotation for PK and obtaining the name of the annotated field)
 - O Line37-44- Build the generic select query using the name of the class previously obtained (! The approach considers that the name of the Java model class is the same with the table in db. For a more generic approach, define a custom annotation for the table name, where the developer can specify a name different from the name of the class)
 - Line 56- the connection is obtain from the ConnectionFactory previously defined
 - O Line 58- The id is considered to be of type int. (! For a more generic approach, the type of the PK can be specified in a generic way, similarly with the generic Type T)
 - O Line 61- Using the ResultSet obtained after executing the statement, we will obtain the list of objects. Only the first element is of interest, since the db should contain only one entry with the specified id

```
public T findById(int id) {
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            Connection connection = null;
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            PreparedStatement statement = null;
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            ResultSet resultSet = null;
54
            String query = createSelectQuery("id");
55
                connection = ConnectionFactory.getConnection();
56
57
                statement = connection.prepareStatement(query);
58
                statement.setInt(1, id);
59
                resultSet = statement.executeOuerv();
60
61
                return createObjects(resultSet).get(0);
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            } catch (SQLException e) {
63
                LOGGER.log(Level.WARNING, type.getName() + "DAO:findById " + e.getMessage());
64
            } finally {
65
                ConnectionFactory.close(resultSet);
66
                ConnectionFactory.close(statement);
67
                ConnectionFactory.close(connection);
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69
            return null:
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```

- Problem: Propose a smart solution for constructing the DAO classes using Generics and Reflection – findByld method (cntd)
 - Line 72 Given a result set, obtain the list of model objects of type T
 - Line 76 For each result from the ResultSet
 - Line 77 Create a new instance of type T

- Line 78 For each field of the class T

 - O Line 79 Retrieve from the current result the value of the current field
 - O Line 80-81 Obtain the method for setting a value to the field
 - O Line 82 using the obtained method set the value to the field

```
private List<T> createObjects(ResultSet resultSet) {
    List<T> list = new ArrayList<T>();

try {

while (resultSet.next()) {
    T instance = type.newInstance();
    for (Field field : type.getDeclaredFields()) {
        Object value = resultSet.getObject(field.getName());
        PropertyDescriptor propertyDescriptor = new PropertyDescriptor(field.getName(), type);
        Method method = propertyDescriptor.getWriteMethod();
        method.invoke(instance, value);
    }

list.add(instance);
}

catch (InstantiationException e) {
```

```
public class StudentDAO extends AbstractDAO<Student> {

    // s
    // uses basic CRUD methods from superclass
    //TODO: create only student specific queries
}
```

- Problem: Propose a smart solution for constructing the DAO classes using Generics and Reflection- Usage
 - O Line 5 Define a class (StudentDAO) that extends the AbstractDAO and specify the model class used: Student
 - The generic methods are directly accessed through inheritance
 - O Other specific methods can be implemented at this level

Source Code

- O Download the source code from:
 - O Simple layered project: https://utcn_dsrl@bitbucket.org/utcn_dsrl/pt-layered-architecture.git
 - O Reflection example: https://utcn_dsrl@bitbucket.org/utcn_dsrl/pt-reflection-example.git