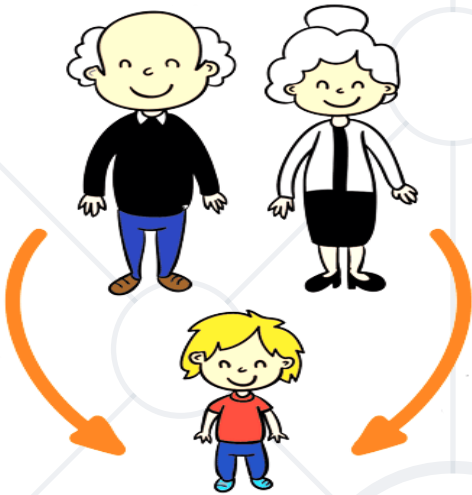


# Hibernate (JPA) Code First Entity Relations

## Advanced Mapping



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# Java Persistence API Inheritance

## Fundamental Inheritance Concepts

- Inheritance is a fundamental concept in most programming languages
  - SQL does not support this kind of relationships
- Implemented by any JPA framework by **inheriting** and **mapping Entities**

- Implemented by the `javax.persistence.Inheritance` annotation
- The following mapping strategies are used to map the entity data to the underlying database:
  - A single **table per class** hierarchy
  - A table per **concrete entity class**
  - **"Join"** strategy – mapping common fields in a single table

- **Table creation for each entity**
  - A table defined for each concrete class in the inheritance
  - Allows inheritance to be used in the object model, when it does not exist in the data model
- Querying root or branch classes can be very difficult and **inefficient**

# Table Per Class Strategy: Example

## Vehicle.java

```
@Entity
@Inheritance(strategy = InheritanceType.TABLE_PER_CLASS)
public abstract class Vehicle {
    @Id
    @GeneratedValue(strategy = GenerationType.TABLE)
    private int id;
    @Basic
    private String model;
    protected Vehicle() {}
    protected Vehicle(String model) {
        this.model = model;
    }
}
```

Inheritance type

A table generator is  
used for each table



# Table Per Class Strategy: Example (2)

## Bike.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "bikes")
public class Bike extends Vehicle {
    private final static String model = "BIKE";
    public Bike(){
        super(model);
    }
}
```

Table Name

## Car.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "cars")
public class Car extends Vehicle {
    private final static String model = "CAR";
    public Car(){
        super(model);
    }
}
```

Table Name



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# Table Per Class Strategy: Example (3)

Main.java

```
..  
Vehicle bike = new Bike();  
Vehicle car = new Car();  
  
em.persist(bike);  
em.persist(car);
```

## ■ Result:

| bikes |        |
|-------|--------|
| id    | type   |
| 1     | "BIKE" |

| cars |       |
|------|-------|
| id   | type  |
| 1    | "CAR" |

# Table Per Class Strategy: Conclusion

- **Disadvantages:**

- Repeating information in each table
- Changes in super class involves changes in all subclass tables
- No foreign keys involved (unrelated tables)

- **Advantages:**

- No NULL values – no unneeded fields
- Simple style to implement inheritance mapping



# Table Per Class: Joined

- Table is defined for each class in the inheritance hierarchy
  - Storing of that class **only the local attributes**
  - Each table must store object's **primary key**



# Table Per Class Strategy: Example

Vehicle.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "vehicles")
@Inheritance(strategy = InheritanceType.JOINED)
public abstract class Vehicle {
    @Id
    @GeneratedValue(strategy = GenerationType.TABLE)
    private int id;

    @Basic
    private String model;

    protected Vehicle() {}
    protected Vehicle(String model) {
        this.model = model;
    }
}
```

Inheritance type

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used for each table

# Table Per Class Strategy: Example (2)

## TransportationVehicle.java

```
@MappedSuperclass
public abstract class TransportationVehicle extends Vehicle {
    private int loadCapacity;

    // Getters and setters
}
```

# Table Per Class Strategy: Example (2)

## PassengerVehicle.java

```
@MappedSuperclass
public abstract class PassengerVehicle extends Vehicle {
    private int noOfpassengers;

    public PassengerVehicle(String model) {
        super(model);
    }

    // Getters and setters
}
```

# Table Per Class Strategy: Example (3)

## Truck.java

```
@Entity
public class Truck extends TransportationVehicle
{
    private final static String model = "CAR";
    private int noOfContainers;
    // Getters and setters
}
```

## Car.java

```
@Entity
public class Car extends PassengerVehicle {
    private final static String model = "CAR";
    public Car(){
        super(model);
    }
}
```





# Results - Joined Strategy

- After persist:

| cars |                |
|------|----------------|
| id   | noOfPassengers |
| 1    | 2              |

| vehicles |       |
|----------|-------|
| id       | model |
| 1        | CAR   |
| 2        | TRUCK |

| trucks |                |              |
|--------|----------------|--------------|
| id     | noOfContainers | loadCapacity |
| 1      | 2              | 5            |

# Results - Joined Strategy

- **Disadvantages:**
  - Multiple JOINS - for deep hierarchies it may give poor performance
- **Advantages:**
  - No NULL values
  - No repeating information
  - Foreign keys involved
  - Reduced changes in schema on superclass changes



- **Simplest** and typically the best performing and best solution
  - A single table is used to store all of the instances of the **entire inheritance hierarchy**
  - A column for every attribute of every class
  - A **discriminator column** is used to determine to which class the particular row belongs to

# Table Per Class strategy: Example

## Vehicle.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "vehicles")
@Inheritance(strategy = InheritanceType.SINGLE_TABLE)
@DiscriminatorColumn(name = "type")
public abstract class Vehicle {
    @Id
    @GeneratedValue(strategy = GenerationType.TABLE)
    private int id;
    @Basic
    private String model;
    protected Vehicle() {}
    protected Vehicle(String model) {
        this.model = model;
    }
}
```

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    public PassengerVehicle(String model) {
        super(model);
    }

    // Getters and setters
}
```

# Table Per Class strategy: Example (3)

## Truck.java

```
@Entity
@DiscriminatorValue(values = "truck")
public class Truck extends TransportationVehicle
{
    private final static String model = "TRUCK";
    private int noOfContainers;
    // Getters and setters
}
```

## Car.java

```
@Entity
@DiscriminatorValue(values = "car")
public class Car extends PassengerVehicle {
    private final static String model = "CAR";
    public Car(){
        super(model);
    }
}
```



# Results - Joined strategy

- After persist:

| vehicles |       |              |                |                |
|----------|-------|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| id       | type  | loadCapacity | noOfPassengers | noOfContainers |
| 1        | truck | ...          | ...            | ...            |
| 2        | car   | ...          | ...            | ...            |

**Discriminator column**





# **Table Relations**

## **One-to-One, One-to-Many, Many-to-Many**

- There are several types of database relationships:
  - **One to One** Relationships
  - **One to Many** and **Many to One** Relationships
  - **Many to Many** Relationships
  - **Self Referencing** Relationships

# One-To-One - Unidirectional



# One-To-One - Unidirectional

## BasicShampoo.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "shampoos")
@Inheritance(strategy = InheritanceType.SINGLE_TABLE)
public abstract class BasicShampoo implements Shampoo {

//...
    @OneToOne(optional = false)
    @JoinColumn(name = "label_id",
        referencedColumnName = "id")
    private BasicLabel label;

//...
}
```

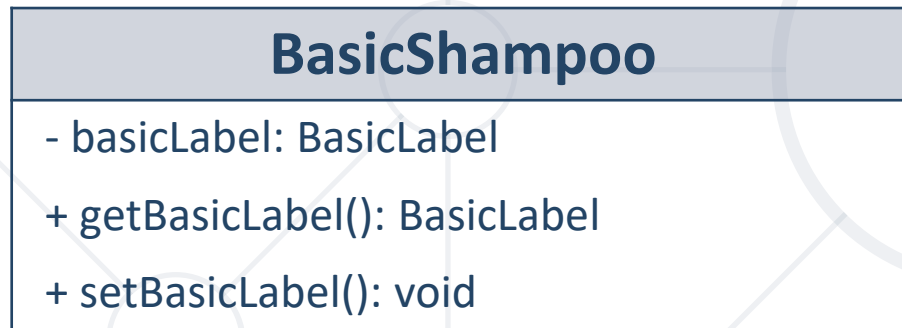
One-To-One relationship

Runtime evaluation

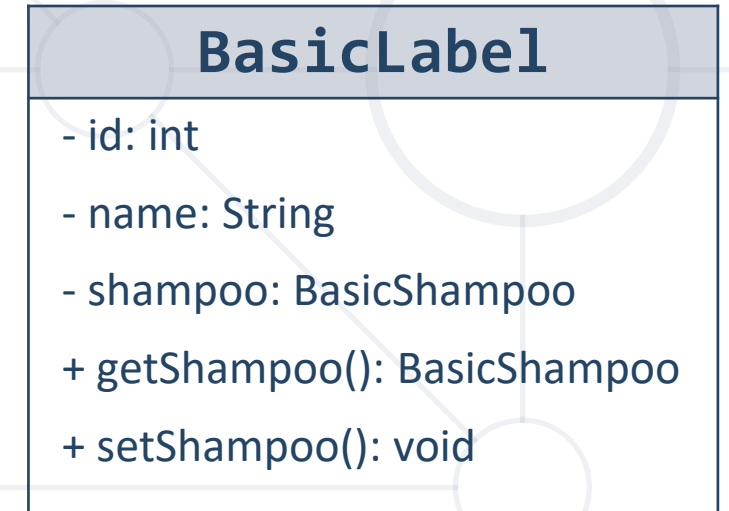
Column name in  
table labels

Column name in  
table shampoos

# One-To-One - Bidirectional



|| One-to-one ||



# One-To-One - Bidirectional

## BasicLabel.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "labels")
public class BasicLabel implements Label{
//...
```

Field in entity BasicShampoo

```
@OneToOne(mappedBy = "label",
targetEntity = BasicShampoo.class)
private BasicShampoo basicShampoo;
```

Entity for the mapping

```
//...
}
```

# Many-To-One - Unidirectional



# Many-To-One - Unidirectional

## BasicShampoo.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "shampoos")
@Inheritance(strategy = InheritanceType.SINGLE_TABLE)
public abstract class BasicShampoo implements Shampoo {
```

```
//...
```

Many-To-One relationship

Runtime evaluation

```
@ManyToOne(optional = false)
@JoinColumn(name = "batch_id", referencedColumnName = "id")
private ProductionBatch batch;
```

```
//...
```

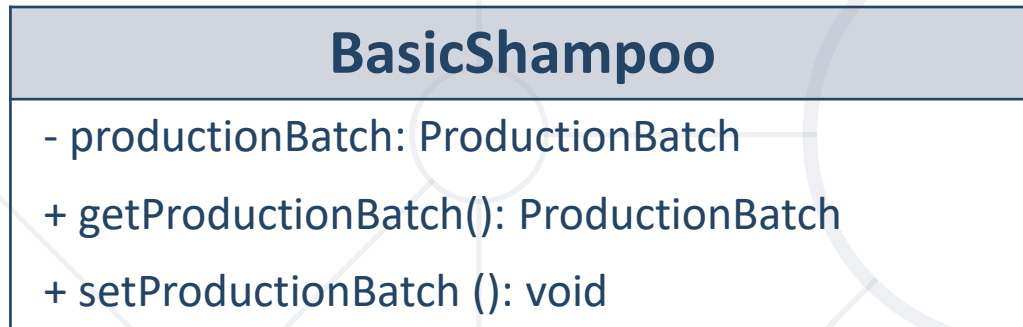
```
}
```

Column name in  
table shampoos

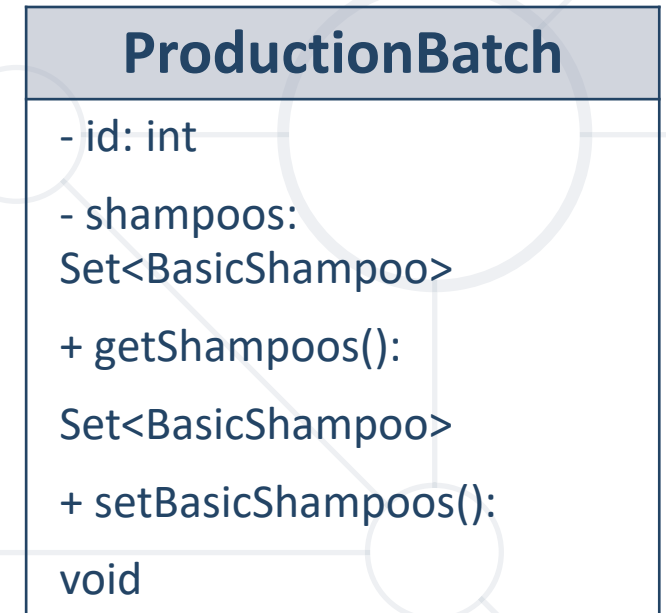
Column name in  
table batches



# One-To-Many - Bidirectional



Many-to-one



# One-To-Many - Bidirectional

## ProductionBatch.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "batches")
public class ProductionBatch implements Batch {
    //...

    @OneToMany(mappedBy = "batch", targetEntity = BasicShampoo.class,
        fetch = FetchType.LAZY, cascade = CascadeType.ALL)
    private Set<Shampoo> shampoos;

    //...
}
```

Field in entity BasicShampoo

Entity for the mapping

Fetching type

Cascade type

# Many-To-Many - Unidirectional

## BasicShampoo.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "shampoos")
@Inheritance(strategy = InheritanceType.SINGLE_TABLE)
public abstract class BasicShampoo implements Shampoo {

    //...
    @ManyToMany
    @JoinTable(name = "shampoos_ingredients",
        joinColumns = @JoinColumn(name = "shampoo_id", referencedColumnName = "id"),
        inverseJoinColumns = @JoinColumn(name = "ingredient_id", referencedColumnName = "id"))
    private Set<BasicIngredient> ingredients;

    //...
}
```

Many-To-Many relationship

Mapping table

Column in shampoos

Column in ingredients

Column in mapping table

# Many-To-Many - Bidirectional

## BasicIngredient.java

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "ingredients")
@Inheritance(strategy = InheritanceType.SINGLE_TABLE)
@DiscriminatorColumn(name = "type", discriminatorType = DiscriminatorType.STRING)
public abstract class BasicIngredient implements Ingredient {
    //...

    @ManyToMany(mappedBy = "ingredients", targetEntity = BasicShampoo.class)
    private Set<BasicShampoo> shampoos;

    //...
}
```

Field in entity BasicShampoo

Entity for the mapping

- Fetching – retrieve objects from the database
  - Fetched entities are stored in the **Persistence Context** as cache
- Retrieval of an entity object might cause automatic retrieval of **additional** entity objects

- Fetching Strategies
  - EAGER – retrieves all entity objects reachable through fetched entity
    - Can cause **slowdown** when used with a big data source
  - **LAZY** – retrieves all reachable entity objects **only when fetched entity's getter method is called**

```
University university = em.find((long) 1); // this.students = null  
  
// The collection holding the students is populated when the getter is called  
university.getStudents();
```

- JPA translates **entity state transitions** to database **DML** statements
  - This behavior is configured through the **CascadeType** mappings
- **CascadeType.PERSIST**: means that `save()` or `persist()` operations cascade to related entities
- **CascadeType.MERGE**: means that related entities are merged into managed state when the owning entity is merged
- **CascadeType.REFRESH**: does the same thing for the `refresh()` operation

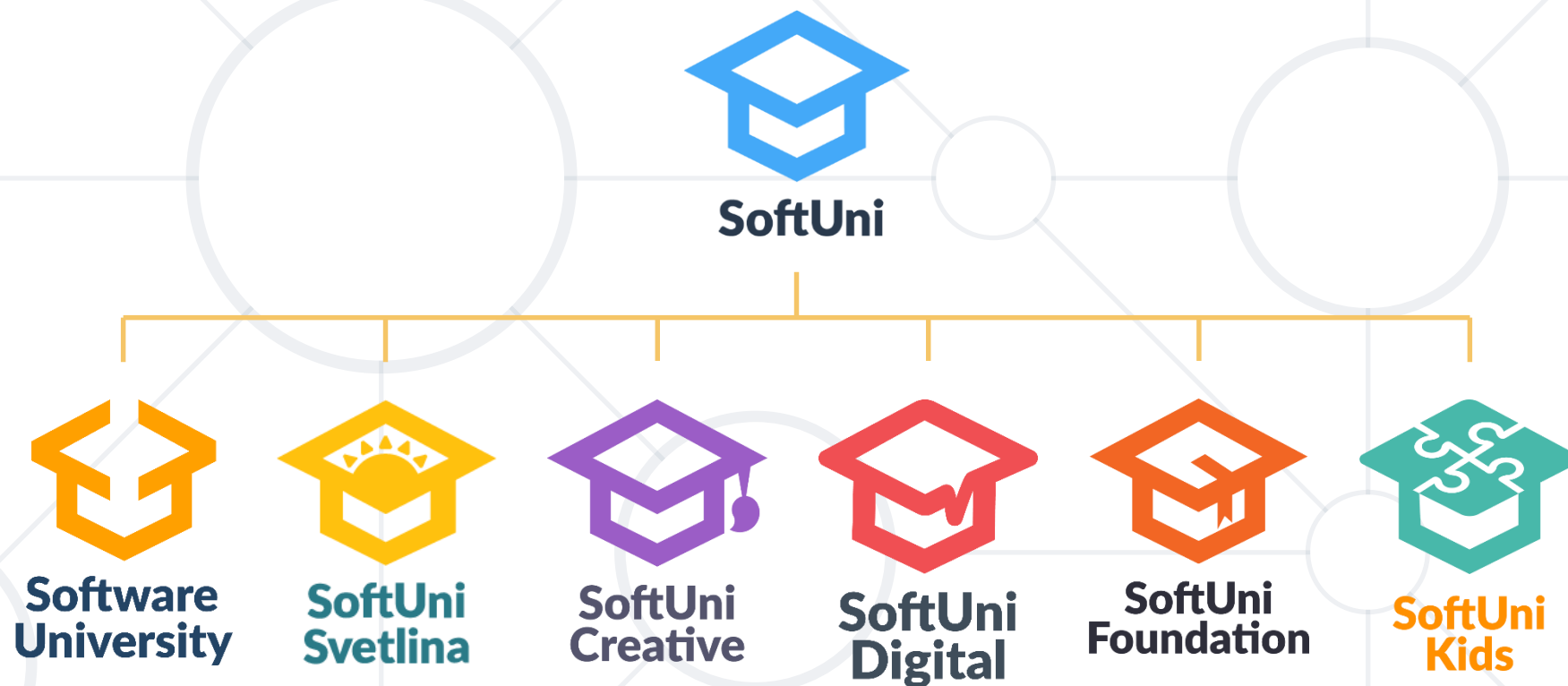
- **CascadeType.REMOVE**: removes all related entities association with this setting when the owning entity is deleted
- **CascadeType.DETACH**: detaches all related entities if a “manual detach” occurs
- **CascadeType.ALL**: is shorthand for all of the above cascade operations



- Relational databases don't support inheritance
- It is implemented by JPA:
  - **SINGLE\_TABLE**
  - **TABLE\_PER\_CLASS**
  - **JOINED**
- Table relations are Un/Bidirectional
- One-to-One
- Many-to-One
- Many-to-Many



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