

Università di Trento Web Architectures

Assignment 5

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1 Introduction

The fifth assignment is about creating an application where tourists can book and aprtmand or a hotel room, depending on its availability. On this application, the user can search for accommodations by giving the start- and end-date, and the number of persons. Then, the user should see a list of all available results, where the user can select one accommodation and confirm the reservation.

The application is composed of the following parts:

- Business-logic
- Web-application
- Database

The business-logic is supposed to be implemented using EJB and EJB-patterns. All EJBs must be deployed on a wildfly application server. The web-application must be implement using Servlets. It should not be deployed using wildfly and must run outside of the wildfly application server. H2 must be used as the database. A routine must be implemented to write default data to the database.

2 Implementation

This section describes the most important parts of the implementation of the application. It highlihtes the databse structure, and the behaviour of the Beans.

2.1 Database

2.1.1 Entities

Figure 1 visualizes the UML diagram of the entities, used for the database. Overall, the database is used to save the following information:

- Accommodations which represent either an apartment or a hotel
- Occupancy, represents the availability of an accommodation entity for a specific day
- Reservation which represent a single reservation made by a user

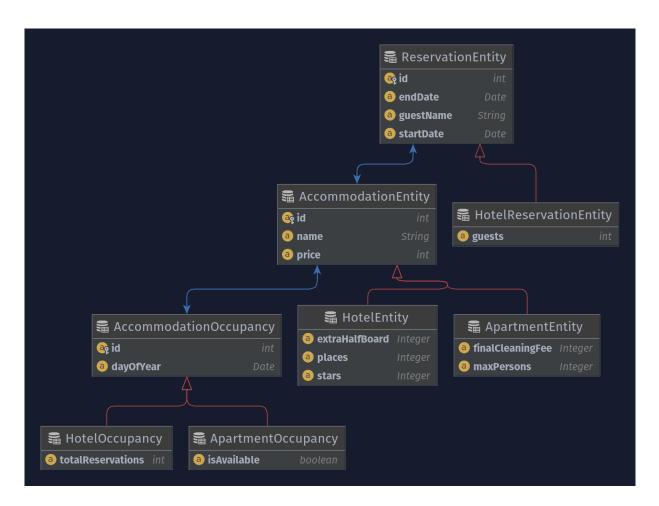


Figure 1: UML diagram of all database entities

Accommodations Two types of accommodations exists for this application: Apartments and Hotels. All accommadations have a name, and a daily price. Additionally, an apartment has a final cleaning fee, an a number of maximum persons. A hotel has a rating of start, a number of free places, and a price for extra half-board.

To implement the entities, an ApartmentEntity, and a HotelEntity have been implemented. Both classes inherit from the abstract AccommodationEntity class.

Occupancies Each accommodation needs an occupancy information for a specific date. The occupancy information describes if an accommodation is available on a specific date. The difference between an apartment and a hotel is, that a hotel has a specific number of reservation, and an aprtment is either available or unavaible, independently of the number of persons.

To implement the occupancies, a parent class called HotelOccupancy exists, that includes only the date. Additionally, a class called ApartmentOccupancy saves the occupancies information for a hotel, which includes a boolean value called isAvailable that specifies, if the aprtment is avaiable for the specific date or not. Furthemore, a class called HotelEntity represent the occupancy of a hotel, which is a number of reservation for a specific date.

Reservations A user can make reservation that are saved to the database. A reservation consists of a start date and an end date that represent the date interval of the stay, and the name of the guest. These informations are saved by the ReservationEntity. Additionally, a classes called HotelReservationEntity, which inherits the ReservationEntity, is used to save the number of guests for on reservation of a hotel. An apartment does not need extra information, because it is either avaible or not, which is represented by the existance of a ReservationEntity in the table for the specific apartment for a specific date interval.

2.1.2 Structure

The database consists of three tables:

- Accommodation
- Occupancy
- Reservation

Each table is associated with an entity that are described in SEC XY.

Accommodation FIG AB describes the structure of the Accommodation table. It is used to save the AccommodationEntity, as well as the child entities ApartmentEntity and HotelEntity. To accomplish inheritance, the Single Table per Class Hierarchy strategy is used.

Occupancy FIG BH describes the structure of the Occupancy table. It is used to save the OccupancyEntity and the HotelOccupancyEntity. The Single Table per Class Hierarchy strategy is used as well to enable inheritance.

Reservation FIG HJ describes the structure of the Reservations table. It saves the ApartmentEntity and the HotelEntity. For inheritance, it uses the Single Table per Class Hierarchy as well.

2.1.3 Database Routine

A database routine needs to be implemented to seed the database, that is supposed to be used in the application. This routine is not implemented as a EJB, instead, it will run as a standalone Java application. The accommodations, as well as the occupancies of accommodatios are given by the task description.

The following technologies are used to implement the database routine:

- Hibernate
- JPA

2.2 Enterprise Java Beans

The business logic of this application is implemented using EJB 3. It is composed of three parts:

- LocalDatabaseBean
- AccommodationService
- ReservationService

All services are part of a single Maven project called WebServices.

Each part (service) is an independent Baen. The client is able to lookup the Bean given an address and invoke methods on it. Only the Accommodation Service and the Reservation Service is available for the client. The Database Service is implemented using a local bean, because it is not intended, for the user, to interact with the database directly.

2.2.1 LocalDatabaseBean

The LocalDatabaseBean is used to interact with the H2 database. It initiates the EntityManager, given by JPA, bu establishing a connection to a JTA datasource. Other services can use the Database Service to send queries and receive results from the database.

As mentioned before, the Database Service is implemented as a LocalBean. Other Beans can interact with the Database Service using the Code-Injection pattern, which is shown in Listing 1.

Listing 1: Usage of the LocalDatabaseBean using Code-Injection

2.2.2 AccommodationService

The Accommodation is used by the client to interact with the AccommdationEntity and its child classes ApartmentEntity, and HotelEntity. It uses the Local-DatabaseBean to send HQL queries to the H2 database.

Except from receiving accommodations based on specific properties, the most interesting part about the AccommodationService is how it receives available accommodations in a specific date range, given a number of guests. The idea is, that the number of occurrencies of an accommodation which is available in the specific date range, has to be qual the number of days of the given date range.

```
SELECT a.accommodation
FROM AccommodationOccupancyEntity a
WHERE (
    ((a.isAvailable IS TRUE AND a.accommodation.maxPersons >= 2)
OR
    ((a.accommodation.places - a.totalReservations) >= 2))

AND a.dayOfYear BETWEEN '2022-02-01' AND '2022-02-09'
GROUP BY a.accommodation.id
HAVING COUNT(*) = 9
```

Listing 2: Example of a HQL query to receive all available accommodations

Listing 2 show an example HQL query implementation to get all available accommodations between 1. February 2022 and 10. February 2022 for 2 guests. As described before, the AccommodationOccupancyEntity saves the occupancies of each accommodation for specific dates. Therefore, it is necessary to check for apartments if it is available, and has enough places for the number of guests. For hotels, it is necessary to check if the existing number of reservations minus the available places of that hotel is lower or equal the number of guests. These constraints are checked for the range between the start date (1. February 2022) and the end date minus one day (9. February 2022). It is necessary to substract one day, because the guests will not stay for that day, and therefore the availability information for that day is unrelated. After that it is important, that the count of numbers of the accommodation, in that specific date range, is equal to the number of days between the start and end date.

2.2.3 ReservationService

To read from and write to the reservation table of the database, the Reservation-Service is used. It allows to persist new reservations to the database, and to get all reservations for a specific customer name.

When adding a new reservation to the database, the ReservationService is also responsible to update the occupancies (mentioned in XY) of the selected accommodation. Then, it is necessary to add the number of guests, of the new reservation, to each entry of the accommodation occupancy.

Additionally, the ReservationService provides an interface to calculate the price of a reservation for either a Hotel or an Apartment.

2.2.4 Build Process

The project is build using the maven-ejb-plugin maven plugin to create a EJB-Jar file. Then, the artifact can be built using the mvn clean build command.

Listing 3 shows the configuration of the maven-ejb-plugin plugin.

Listing 3: maven-ejb-plugin plugin configuration

2.3 Web Application

- 2.3.1 Search
- 2.3.2 Results
- 2.3.3 Reservation Summary
- 2.3.4 Reservation Confirm
- 2.3.5 My Reservations

3 Deployment

This section explains the deployment of the application. The requirements to run all applications are the following (the versions correspond to the local system of the author):

- H2¹ 2.0.202
- WildFly² 20.0.1.Final
- Java³ AdoptOpenJDK-11.0.11+9
- Apache Tomcat⁴ 9.0.56
- Apache Maven⁵ 3.8.4

3.1 H2 Database

As mentioned before, this application uses a local H2 database, that is not integrated in the project itself, but is located somewhere, on the users computer.

3.1.1 Start H2

At first, it is important to start the H2 service via the terminal. This can be accomplished by executing the command \$ java -jar h2*.jar in the directory \\$H2/bin, where \$H2 is the path of the H2 database. This process is shown in Figure 2. After executing the command, the H2 console is automatically started in the default web browser, which is needed later.

```
~/h2/bin
> java -jar h2*.jar
Opening in existing browser session.
libva error: /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/dri/i965_drv_video.so init failed
[190690:190690:0100/000000.977293:ERROR:sandbox_linux.cc(376)] InitializeSandbox
() called with multiple threads in process gpu-process.
```

Figure 2: Process to start the H2 service

3.1.2 Create a Database

After the H2 service has been started, it is needed to create a new local database using the shell tool of H2. This process is shown in Figure 3, where the command \$ java -cp h2-*.jar org.h2.tools.Shell needs to get executed in the \\$H2/bin

¹H2 Database - http://www.h2database.com/

²WildFly - https://www.wildfly.org/

³OpenJDK - https://openjdk.java.net/

⁴Apache Tomcat - https://tomcat.apache.org/

⁵Apache Maven - https://maven.apache.org/

directory. It is important, that the database is called *accommodations*, and the username is sa, and the password is sa as well.

```
java -cp h2-*.jar org.h2.tools.Shell
Welcome to H2 Shell 2.0.202 (2021-11-25)
Exit with Ctrl+C
[Enter]
          jdbc:h2:tcp://localhost/~/workspace/145085_web-architectures/assignment_5/accommodations
          jdbc:h2:/home/marcel/workspace/145085_web-architectures/assignment_5/accommodations
URL
[Enter]
          org.h2.Driver
Driver
[Enter]
User
Password
Type the same password again to confirm database creation.
Password
Connected
Commands are case insensitive; SQL statements end with ';'
               Display this help
help or ?
list
               Toggle result list / stack trace mode
               Set maximum column width (default is 100)
maxwidth
autocommit
               Enable or disable autocommit
history
               Show the last 20 statements
quit or exit
               Close the connection and exit
sql>
```

Figure 3: Process to create a H2 database

3.1.3 Test Database Connection

After creating the accommodations database, it is possible to test the connection using the H2 console mentioned in Section 3.1.1. First, it is necessary to fill in the correct informations: The JDBC URL in the format jdbc:h2:tcp://localhost/PATH_TO_DATABASE and the previousely used username and password from Section 3.1.2 (username: sa, password: sa). Then, by clicking on Test Connection, a status message is shown as illustrated in Figure 4. If the connection is successful, the database can be used in the application.

3.2 Seeding the Database

After the database has been created, it is important to write test data to it using the *DatabaseRoutine* project.

3.2.1 Set up the DatabaseRoutine application

It is important to set the path to the database in the persistance.xml of the *DatabaseRoutine* project. The persistance.xml file is located at DatabaseRoutine/src/main/resources/META-INF/persistance.xml. Listing 4 shows a correct configuration. The property hibernate.connection.url has to be set to the URL used in Section 3.1.2.



Figure 4: Successfull connection test for the H2 database

```
value="jdbc:h2:tcp://localhost/~/workspace/145085
_web-architectures/assignment_5/accommodations"/>
</properties>
</persistence-unit>
...
```

Listing 4: Default data source configuration

3.2.2 Execute the DatabaseRoutine application

To execute the *DatabaseRoutine* application, open the project in IntelliJ, right-click on the *DataRoutine.java* file, and select *Run 'DataRoutine.main()'*. Then, the file gets executed and writes dummy data to the database.

After that, it is possible to check if the data has been written to the database by connecting to the database using the H2 console, introduced in Section 3.1.2. Figure 5 shows the newly created tables in the database.

3.3 Setting up WildFly

After the H2 database is created, the EJB's can be deployed to the WildFly application server.

It is important to mention, that at this point the H2 database (explained in Section 3.1) has to be running.

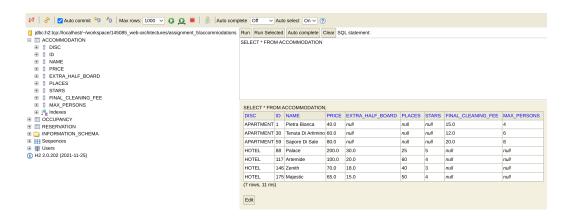


Figure 5: Successfull connection test for the H2 database

3.3.1 Add H2 database datasource

To give the EJB's the ability to access the *accommodations* database, it has to be defined as a datasource in the configuration file of WildFly. The configuration file is located at \\$JBOSS_HOME/standalone/configuration/standalone.xml, where \$JBOSS_HOME is the path to WildFly. Listing 5 shows how the *accommodations* database, created in Section 3.1, has been added as a datasource in WildFly given the name AccommodationsDS.

```
2 <subsystem xmlns="urn:jboss:domain:datasources:6.0">
    <datasources>
      <datasource jndi-name="java:jboss/datasources/AccommodationsDS</pre>
4
     " pool-name="AccommodationsDS" enabled="true" use-java-context=
     "true" statistics-enabled="${wildfly.datasources.statistics-
     enabled: ${wildfly.statistics-enabled:false}}">
        <connection -url > jdbc: h2:tcp://localhost/~/workspace/145085
     _web-architectures/assignment_5/accommodations; DB_CLOSE_DELAY
     =-1; DB_CLOSE_ON_EXIT=FALSE</connection-url>
        <driver>h2</driver>
        <security>
          <user-name>sa</user-name>
          <password>sa</password>
10
        </security>
      </datasource>
11
12
    </datasources>
14 </subsystem>
15 . . .
```

Listing 5: WildFly datasource configuration

Additionally, this datasource has to be added to the persistance.xml configuration file of the WebServices project as well, which is located at WebServices/src/main/resources/META-INF/persistance.xml. Therefore, a new jta-data-source with the value java:jboss/datasources/AccommodationsDS is added to the default persistence-unit, as shown in Listing 6.

```
1 ...
2 constant name="default">
```

Listing 6: Default data source configuration

3.3.2 Compile EJB Jar

Next, the EJB's need to to be deployed to the WildFly server. Therefore, it is necessary to run the command \$ mvn clean package in the directory of the WebServices project, which builds the .jar artifact containing all EJB's. After that, a new directory called /target was created in the root folder of the WebServices project, where the EJB JAR marcel-stolin-web-services.jar is located, which is shown at Figure 6.

Figure 6: Compiled EJB JAR of the WebServices project

3.3.3 EJB JAR Deployment

After the .jar artifact has been created, it needs to be copied to the deployment directory of the WildFly server. The artifact can be deployed using the command shown in Listing 7, where \$JBOSS_HOME is the path to the local WildFly directory. This command needs to be executed in the project folder of the WebServices project, which is shown in Figure 7.

```
$ cp target/marcel-stolin-web-services.jar $JBOSS_HOME/standalone/
deployments
```

Listing 7: Command to copy the EJB JAR artifact to the WildFly deployment directory

3.3.4 Start Wildfly Application Server

Finally, the WildFly server can be started using the command \$ bin/standalone.sh. Additionally, the log prints the lookup addresses of both the *AccommodationSer*-

Figure 7: Process to deploy the EJB JAR artifact to the WildFly application server

vice (mentioned in Section 2.2.2) and the ReservationService (mentioned in Section 2.2.3), which is illustrated in Figure 8.

```
99:30:23,130 INFO [org.jboss.as.ejb3.deployment] (MSC service thread 1-1) WFLYEJB0473: JNDI bindings for session bean named 'AccommodationBean' in deployment unit 'deployment 'marcel-stolin-web-services.jar' are as follows:

java;global/marcel-stolin-web-services/AccommodationBeanlit.unitn.disi.webarch.mstolin.webservices.accommodations.AccommodationService
java;global/marcel-stolin-web-services/AccommodationBeanlit.unitn.disi.webarch.mstolin.webservices.accommodations.AccommodationService
java;jboss/exported/marcel-stolin-web-services/AccommodationBeanlit.unitn.disi.webarch.mstolin.webservices.accommodations.AccommodationService
java;jboss/exported/marcel-stolin-web-services/AccommodationBeanlit.unitn.disi.webarch.mstolin.webservices.accommodations.AccommodationService
java;global/marcel-stolin-web-services/AccommodationBean
java:module/AccommodationBean
java:module/AccommodationBean

99:30:23,130 INFO [org.jboss.as-ejb3.deployment] (MSC service thread 1-1) WFLYEJB0473: JNDI bindings for session bean named 'ReservationBean' in deployment unit 'deployment 'marcel-stolin-web-services, java: 'are as follows:

java:global/marcel-stolin-web-services/ReservationBeanlit.unitn.disi.webarch.mstolin.webservices.reservations.ReservationService
java:apps/marcel-stolin-web-services/ReservationBeanlit.unitn.disi.webarch.mstolin.webservices.reservations.ReservationService
java:jboss/exported/marcel-stolin-web-services/ReservationBeanlit.unitn.disi.webarch.mstolin.webservices.reservations.ReservationService
java:jboss/exported/marcel-stolin-web-services/ReservationBean
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Figure 8: WildFly application server Log

3.4 Starting the Web Application

After the database has been created successfully, and the EJB's have been deployed successfully, the web application can be deployed to Apache Tomcat.

One problem is, that WildFly already uses port 8080, and Apache Tomcat uses port 8080 by default as well. Therefore, Apache Tomcat has to be configured to use port 8000 instead.

For this project, the IntelliJ IDEA is used to start and deploy the WebApp project on Apache Tomcat. Therefore, it is necessary to create a $Run\ Configuration$ for Apache Tomcat for the WebApp project.

3.4.1 Server Settings

The Server settings for IntelliJ are shown in Figure 9. It is important, that the URL is set to http://localhost:8000/marcel-stolin-web-app/, and the

HTTP port, at *Tomcat Server Settings*, is set to 8000. In addition, under *Before launch* it is import to build the *WebApp:war exploded* artifact.

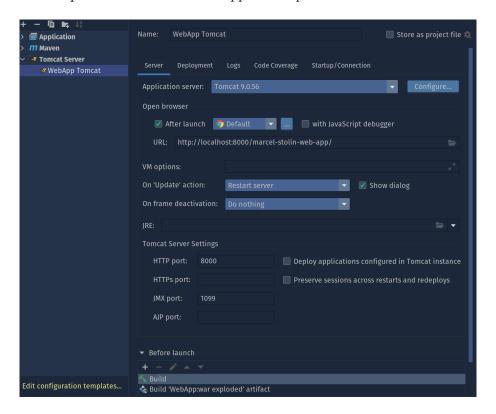


Figure 9: IntelliJ Tomcat Configuration Server Settings

3.4.2 Deployment Settings

Figure 10 shows the settings for the *Deployment* section. It is necessary to deploy the *WebApp:war exploded* artifact on server startup. Additionally, the *Application Context* need to be set to marcel-stolin-web-app.

3.4.3 Starting the Application

After running the *Run Configuration* for *Apache Tomcat* from *IntelliJ*, the web application is available at http://localhost:8000/marcel-stolin-web-app/.

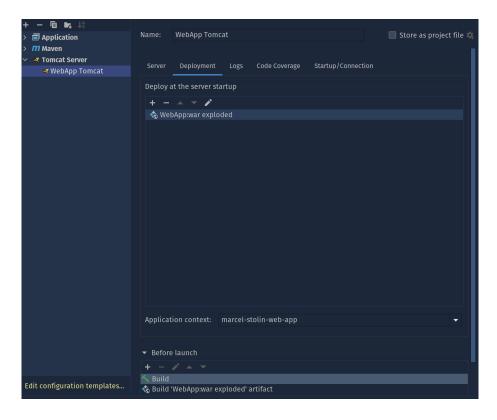


Figure 10: IntelliJ Tomcat Configuration Deployment Settings

4 Comments and Notes

This section describes the problems encountered during the development of the application.

4.1 Routing

A requirement was to deploy the *Angular* application on a *Tomcat* webserver. However, *Angular* redirects all requests to the index.html. For example, requesting the page http://localhost:8080/marcel-stolin/detail/1735 will not work, because a directory detail/1735 does not exist. Then, the *Tomcat* web server responses a 404 error page.

The solution to this problem, is to use the HashLocationStrategy⁶. Listing 8 shows how it is implemented in the application. Then, the previously mentioned URL can be accessed via http://localhost:8080/marcel-stolin/#/detail/1735.

 $^{^6 \}verb|https://angular.io/api/common/HashLocationStrategy|$

```
8 exports: [RouterModule]
9 })
```

Listing 8: Application routing configuration of app-routing.module.ts

4.2 Building the Angular Application

Another problem is how to build the *Angular* application. A *JS-Servlet* project requires static files (e.g.: HTML files, Javascript libraries) to be located at PROJECT_ROOT/src/main/webapp. Therefore, whenever the angular application is built, the output has to be saved in this directory.

To solve this issue, *Angular* allows to define the outputPath for the application when using ng build. Listing 9 shows the angular.json configuration.

```
"build": {
   "builder": "@angular-devkit/build-angular:browser",
   "options": {
      "outputPath": "../../webapp",
   ...
```

Listing 9: angular.json configuration

Additionally, it is important to define the *base-href*, that defines the path where the application is located on the web server. This application is supposed to be available via the path /marcel-stolin (e.g.: http://localhost: 8080/marcel-stolin/).

Therefore, the command \$ ng build --base-href /marcel-stolin/ has to be used to build the application.