



CS544 EA
Hibernate
Access

Access

- Hibernate can either:
 - Use the getters / setters methods
 - Or use reflection to get/set directly
- Which one it uses depends on where you place your **@Id** annotation

Field Access

- Examples so far always used field access
 - @Id placed directly on the field
 - Hibernate uses reflection to directly get/set field
 - All other annotations also have to be on the fields

```
@Entity
public class Customer {
    @Id
    @GeneratedValue
    private Long id;
    @Column(name="first", length=45, nullable=false)
    private String firstName;
    @Column(name="last", length=60, nullable=true)
    private String lastName;

    ...
}
```

@Id on the field indicates
Field Access

Property Access

- Place @Id on a getter for Property Access
 - All other annotations also **have to be on the getters**

```
@Entity
public class Customer2 {
    private Long id;
    private String firstName;
    private String lastName;
    private Date birthDate;
    private String temp;
    private String biography;

    @Id
    @GeneratedValue
    public Long getId() { return id; }
    @Column(name = "first", length = 45, nullable = false)
    public String getFirstName() { return firstName; }
    @Column(name = "last", length = 60, nullable = true)
    public String getLastName() { return lastName; }
    @Temporal(TemporalType.TIMESTAMP)
    public Date getBirthDate() { return birthDate; }
    @Transient
    public String getTemp() { return temp; }
    @Lob
    public String getBiography() { return biography; }
```

@Id on the getter indicates
Property Access
Hibernate will use
methods to get and set

Changing Access

- You can change access for individual fields

```
@Entity
public class Customer {
    @Id
    @GeneratedValue
    private Long id;
    @Access(AccessType.PROPERTY)
    private String firstName;
    private String lastName;
    ...
}
```

Everything will be accessed through field except firstName will use getters / setters

```
@Entity
public class Customer2 {
    private Long id;
    private String firstName;
    private String lastName;

    @Id
    @GeneratedValue
    public Long getId() { return id; }
    @Access(AccessType.FIELD)
    public String getFirstName() { return firstName; }
    public String getLastName() { return lastName; }
    ...
}
```

Everything will be accessed through methods (property) except firstName will use the field directly

Reflection

- Here is an example of how reflection works:

```
package cs544.hibernate01.data;

import java.lang.reflect.Field;

public class TestReflection {
    public static void main(String[] args)
        throws NoSuchFieldException, SecurityException,
            IllegalArgumentException, IllegalAccessException {

        Customer c = new Customer("George", "Simpson");
        // Possible NoSuchFieldException
        Field f = c.getClass().getDeclaredField("firstName");
        f.setAccessible(true);
        // Possible IllegalAccessException
        String fieldData = (String) f.get(c);
        System.out.println(fieldData);
    }
}
```

Encapsulation

- Using **reflection breaks** the OO principle of encapsulation
 - Property access hides implementation details
 - Next slide shows an example of hiding the implementation details

```
@Entity
public class Person {
    private Long id;
    private String firstname;
    private String lastname;

    @Id @GeneratedValue
    public Long getId() { return id; }
    public void setId(Long id) { this.id = id; }

    public String getName() { return firstname + " " + lastname; }
    public void setName(String name) {
        StringTokenizer st = new StringTokenizer(name);
        firstname = st.nextToken();
        lastname = st.nextToken();
    }

    @Transient
    public String getFirstname() { return firstname; }
    public void setFirstname(String firstname) { this.firstname = firstname; }

    @Transient
    public String getLastname() { return lastname; }
    public void setLastname(String lastname) { this.lastname = lastname; }
}
```

Encapsulation used to map
3 instance variables to
2 database columns

Table: PERSON

ID	NAME
1	Frank Brown
2	John Smith