Spring Data JPA The Master Class

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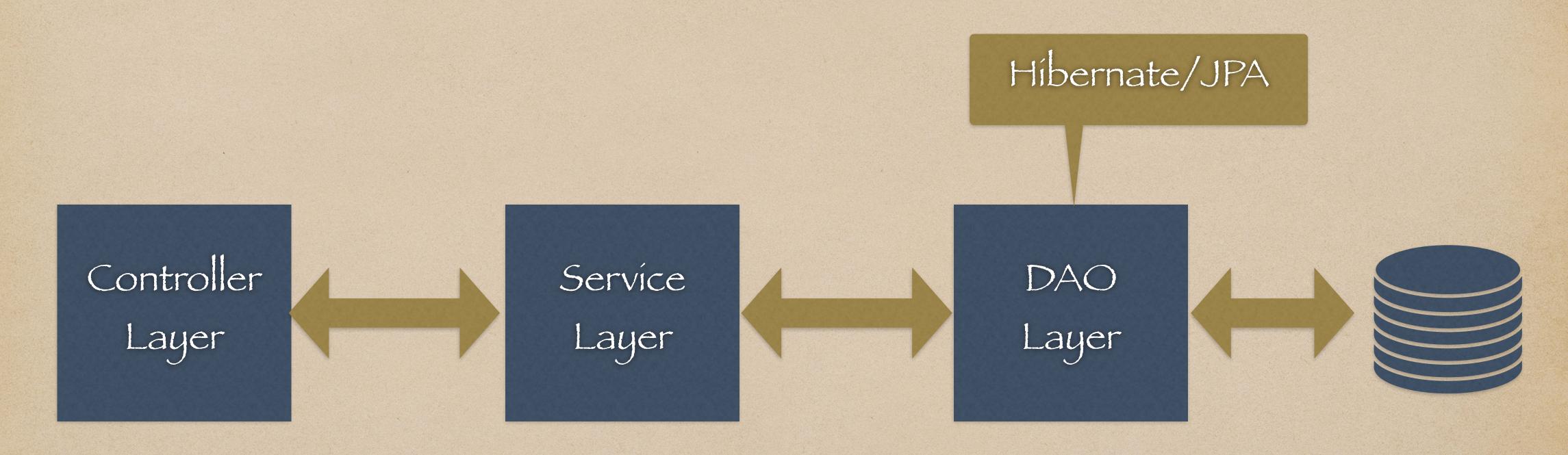
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Application Architecture



Creating DAO for Single Entity

```
public interface EmployeeDAO {
    public List<Employee> findAll();
    public Employee findById(int theId);
    public void save(Employee theEmployee);
    public void deleteById(int theId);
}
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@Repository
public class EmployeeDAOJpaImpl implements EmployeeDAO {
        private EntityManager entityManager;
        @Autowired
       public EmployeeDAOJpaImpl(EntityManager theEntityManager) {
                entityManager = theEntityManager;
        @Override
        public List<Employee> findAll() {
                // create a query
                Query theQuery = entityManager.createQuery("from Employee");
                // execute query and get result list
                List<Employee> employees = theQuery.getResultList();
                // return the results
                return employees;
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       public void save(Employee theEmployee) {
                // save or update the employee
                Employee dbEmployee = entityManager.merge(theEmployee);
                // update with id from db ... so we can get generated id for save/insert
                theEmployee.setId(dbEmployee.getId());
        @Override
        public void deleteById(int theId) {
                // delete object with primary key
                Query theQuery = entityManager.createQuery("delete from Employee where id=:employeeId");
                theQuery.setParameter("employeeId", theId);
                theQuery.executeUpdate();
```

The Problem

What if we create DAO for other entities Student, Product, Order, Customer etc

We are repeating the same code for other entities

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DAO Pattern

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                                             JPQL query for
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Generic Code

We can eliminate some boilerplate code by writing generic code:

- 1. Create an abstract base repository class that provides CRUD operations for entities.
- 2. Create the concrete repository class that extends the abstract base repository class.

The problem of this approach is that we still have to write the code that creates our database queries and invokes them. To make matters worse, we have to do this every time when we want to create a new database query. This is a waste of time.

What if I would tell you that we can create JPA repositories without writing any boilerplate code (without creating queries unless we required)?

There Should be Standard Solution Generate Query

Entity Type

Primary Key

findAll()
findById()
save()
deleteById()

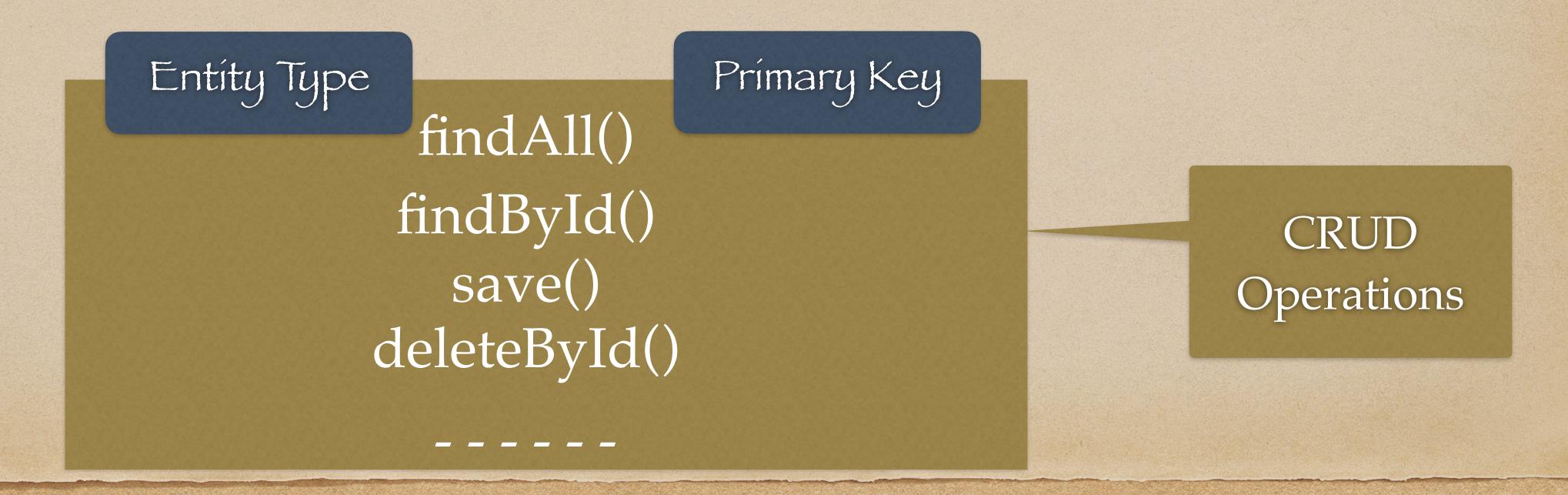
CRUD Operations

Spring Data JPA - Solution

Reduce the amount of boilerplate code required to implement data access object (DAO) layer.

Spring Data JPA is not a JPA provider. It simply "hides" the Java Persistence API (and the JPA provider) behind its repository abstraction.

Spring Data JPA uses Hibernate as a default JPA provider.



Minimised boilerplate code

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After Spring Data JPA

```
public interface EmployeeRepository extends JpaRepository<Employee, Integer> {
      // that's it ... no need to write any code LOL!
}
```

1 File3 lines of code

No need for implementation Class

2 Files 30+ lines of code

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