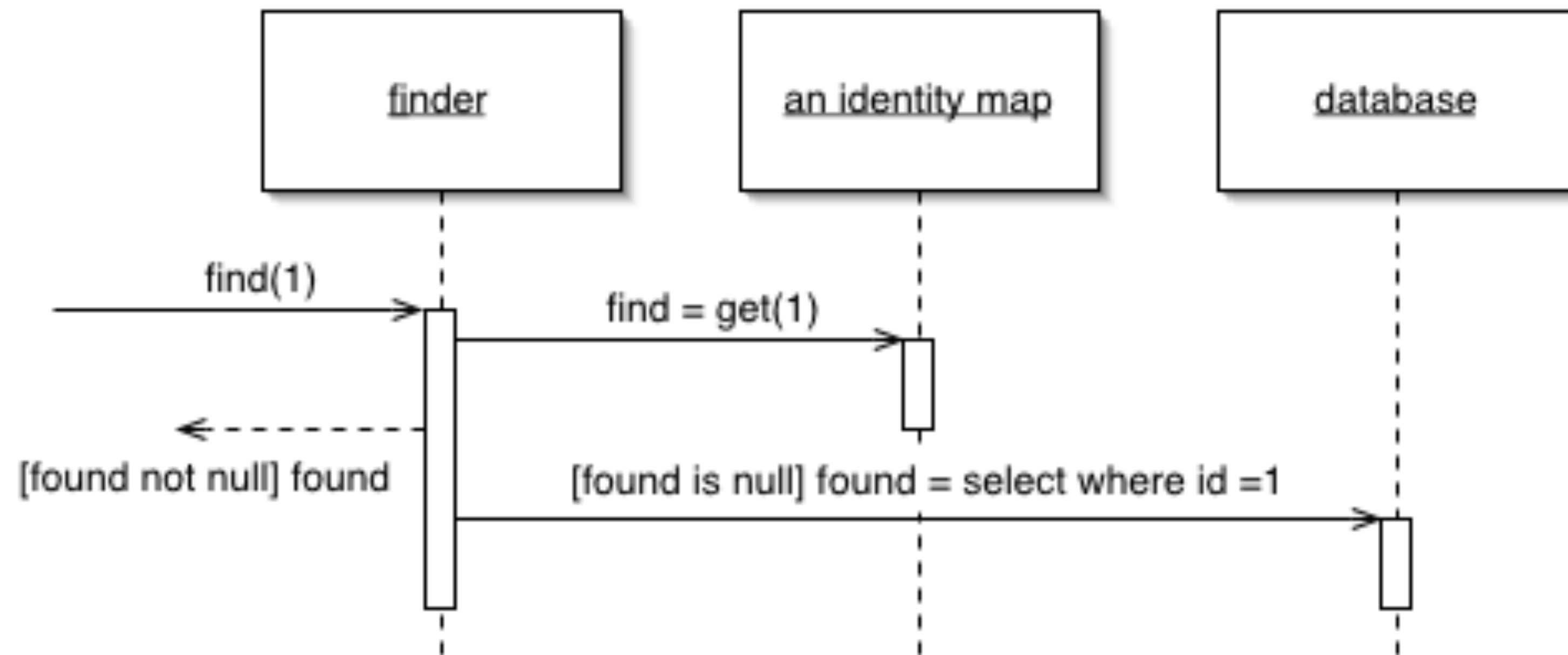# IDENTITY MAP

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▸ An Identity Map keeps a record of all objects that have been read from the database in a single business transaction. Whenever you want an object, you check the Identity Map first to see if you already have it.

▸ Only one SELECT query will be fired against the database. In the second EntityManager#find() call Doctrine will check the identity map first and doesn't need to make that database roundtrip.