

An aerial, high-angle photograph of a massive concrete dam. The dam's surface is composed of large, rectangular blocks with visible vertical joints and some weathering. A single person is standing on the top edge of the dam, providing a sense of scale. The sky is a clear, dark blue. A thin white horizontal line is positioned above the text.

LET'S FLUSH IT

ENTITY MANAGER / UNIT OF WORK / UNITS OF WORK / WRITE BEHIND

An EntityManager and the underlying UnitOfWork employ a strategy called “**transactional write-behind**” that delays the execution of SQL statements in order to execute them in the most efficient way and to execute them at the end of a transaction so that all write locks are quickly released.

You should see Doctrine as a tool to synchronize your in-memory objects with the database in **well defined units of work**. Work with your objects and modify them as usual and when you’re done call EntityManager#flush() to make your changes persistent.