

Querying and Modifying Entities

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1. Querying Entities

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Defining a Repository Component

- In this chapter we'll use JPA to query and modify entities
 - Via methods in the JPA EntityManager class
- We'll put all our data-access code in a repository component
 - We'll inject an EntityManager bean as follows:

```
import javax.persistence.*;
...
@Repository
public class EmployeeRepository {
     @PersistenceContext
     private EntityManager entityManager;
     // Methods to create, read, update, delete entities.
...
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



Finding an Entity by Primary Key

- To find an entity by primary key:
 - Call find() on the EntityManager
 - Returns null if entity not found

```
public Employee getEmployee(long employeeId) {
    return entityManager.find(Employee.class, employeeId);
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



Working with Queries

- Define a query string
 - Using JPQL (or SQL)
- Create a TypedQuery<T> object
 - Via createQuery() on the EntityManager
- Execute the query via one of these methods:
 - getSingleResult()
 - getResultList()



Performing a Simple Query

Here's a query that returns a single result:

```
public long getEmployeeCount() {
    String jpql = "select count(e) from Employee e";
    TypedQuery<Long> query = entityManager.createQuery(jpql, Long.class);
    return query.getSingleResult();
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



Getting a List of Entities

Here's a query that returns a list of entities:

```
public List<Employee> getEmployees() {
    String jpql = "select e from Employee e";
    TypedQuery<Employee> query = entityManager.createQuery(jpql, Employee.class);
    return query.getResultList();
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



2. Modifying Entities

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Overview

- JPA lets you insert, update, and delete entities
- You must put these operations in a transactional method in a component class
 - Annotate method with @Transactional

```
@Transactional
public void someMethodToModifyEntities() {
    ...
}
```



Inserting an Entity

• This is how you insert an entity in the database:

```
@Transactional
public void insertEmployee(Employee e) {
    entityManager.persist(e);
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



Updating an Entity

This is how you update an entity in the database:

```
@Transactional
public void employeePayRise(long id, double payRise) {
    Employee emp = entityManager.find(Employee.class, id);
    emp.setDosh((emp.getDosh() + payRise));
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```



Deleting an Entity

• This is how you delete an entity in the database:

```
@Transactional
public void deleteEmployee(long employeeId) {
    Employee e = entityManager.find(Employee.class, employeeId);
    entityManager.remove(e);
}
EmployeeRepository.java
```





Summary

- Querying entities
- Modifying entities

Exercise



- Add a method in EmployeeRepository, to give a pay rise to all employees in a region, as follows:
 - 1. Define a parameterized JPQL query string:

2. Create a query and set parameters on it:

```
Query query = entityManager.createQuery(q);
query.setParameter("p", payRise);
query.setParameter("r", region);
```

3. Execute the query as an "update" statement:

```
int numRowsAffected = query.executeUpdate();
```

