ORM Concurrency

Enterprise Applications

- We want to create Enterprise Applications with Spring and Hibernate
 - The vast majority of these also use a web container

- Let's first review Java Web Containers and web dev.
 - And relate it to what we've learned so far

Web Containers

- We'll first discuss :
 - Web Container IoC
 - Servlets (beans)
 - Filters (interceptors)
- Then we'll look at JSP for view:
 - JSPs are all XML
 - JSTL tags for program control
 - EL inside statements and to print

Containers so Far

- We saw that Spring is a container:
 - loC (creates objects)
 - DI (connects them)
 - AOP (proxies for extra functionality, discuss laater)

- Hibernate is also a container:
 - Creates Objects (IoC)
 - Connects objects based on associations (DI)
 - Proxies to provide lazy loading (AOP)

Web Container

- We will see that a web container:
 - Creates Objects (IoC)
 - Can add proxies for extra functionality (Filters)
 - Does not connect objects together (no DI)

- Main difference, web containers work with:
 - Incoming Request objects
 - Outgoing Response objects

Not POJOs

- Another big difference is that the objects managed by web containers are not POJOs
 - To be a Servlet or Filter you have to extend or implement a Technology related class / interface
 - Web containers design is old
 - Before Rod Johnson's book about POJO containers

Comparing Terminology

- Servlet:
 - Object that the container creates and manages
 - What Spring called a Bean
- Web.xml
 - Configuration file that configures the container
 - What spring called applicationContext.xml
- Filter
 - Proxy for a Servlet
 - Somewhat similar to Interceptor in Spring MVC

web.xml

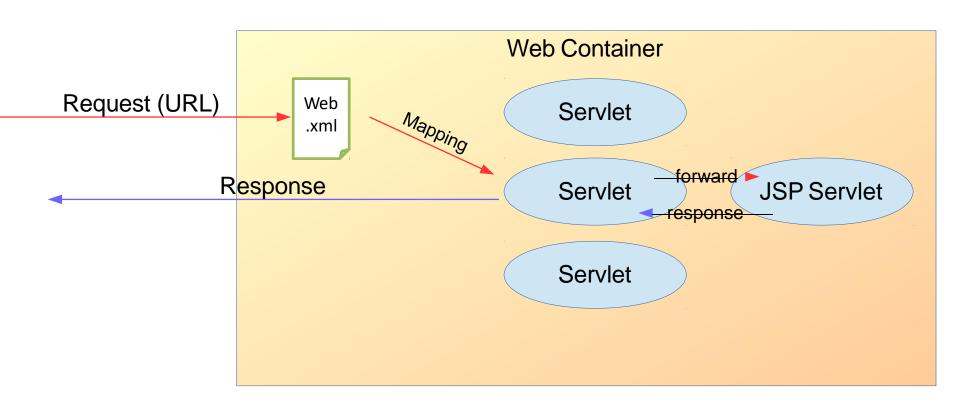
Inside project's /WEB-INF/

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<web-app version="2.4" xmlns="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/j2ee"</pre>
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:schemaLocation="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/j2ee
http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/j2ee/web-app 2 4.xsd">
  <servlet>
    <servlet-name>Servlet Demo</servlet-name>
    <servlet-class>demo.ServletDemo</servlet-class>
  </servlet>
                                                           Can also be done
                                                              @WebServlet
  <servlet-mapping>
    <servlet-name>Servlet Demo</servlet-name>
    <url-pattern>/servlet</url-pattern>
  </servlet-mapping>
</web-app>
```

Request / Response

- The container receives a request for a URL
 - Looks at Servlet-Mappings to find a matching pattern
 - Passes request and a empty response to servlet
 - Request may contain additional key/value params
 - Servlet reads request, and fills in response
 - Optionally forwarding req/resp to other servlet for more
 - Response (text output) then printed to user

Visually



Requests

- HTTP (web) Requests have a type:
 - GET or POST for HTML
- May have key / value pair parameters:
 - GET in URL, POST as 'post data'
- Often also a Session ID cookie
 - Allows the server to find storage for this user

Servlet

```
Not a POJO
@WebServlet(name = "Hello", urlPatterns = { "/Hello" })
                                                             Extends HttpServlet
public class Hello extends HttpServlet {
           private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;
           @Override
           protected void doGet(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response)
                                 throws ServletException, IOException {
                      request.setAttribute("now", new Date());
                                                                             Method on HttpServlet
                      request.setAttribute("one", 1);
                                                                             Lets you get container
                      request.setAttribute("two", 2);
                                                                                    (Context)
                      ServletContext context = this.getServletContext();
                      String jsp = "/Hello.jsp";
                      RequestDispatcher dispatcher = context.getRequestDispatcher(jsp);
                      dispatcher.forward(request, response);
```

Filter

```
@WebFilter(filterName = "OpenEntityManagerInView", urlPatterns = "/*")
public class EntityManagerInterceptor implements Filter {
                                                                                         Not a POJO
             @Override
                                                                                      Implements Filter
             public void destroy() { }
             @Override
             public void init(FilterConfig fc) throws ServletException { }
             @Override
             public void doFilter(ServletRequest reg, ServletResponse res, FilterChain chain)
                                       throws IOException, ServletException {
                          EntityManager em = EntityManagerHelper.getCurrent();
                          try {
                                       em.getTransaction().begin();
                                       chain.doFilter(req, res);
                                       em.getTransaction().commit();
                          } catch (RuntimeException e) {
                                       if (em != null && em.isOpen())
                                                     em.getTransaction().rollback();
                                       throw e:
                          } finally {
                                       em.close();
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```

Web.xml for Filter

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<web-app version="2.4" xmlns="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/j2ee"</pre>
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:schemaLocation="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/j2ee
http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/j2ee/web-app_2_4.xsd">
 <filter>
  <filter-name>OpenEntityManagerInView</filter-name>
  <filter-class>example.filter.OpenEntityManagerInView</filter-class>
 </filter>
                                                                                 Can also be done with
 <filter-mapping>
                                                                                       @WebFilter
  <filter-name>OpenEntityManagerInView</filter-name>
  <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
 </filter-mapping>
</web-app>
```

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Web: JSP with EL & JSTL

View Technology

Pre-compiler transforms XML into Java

- JSP is a type of Servlet written in XML
 - Java's oldest web based view technology

- Write logic with XML tags (for loops etc)
 - JSTL: Java Standard Tag Library

Originally JSP had you write Java code inside HTML

This is now considered a bad practice. Deprecated!

Model View Control

Best practice:

- Controller receives request
- Gets data from Service layer

We'll connect with Service layer later

Forwards data to (JSP) View

Servlet Controller

```
@WebServlet(name = "Hello", urlPatterns = { "/Hello" })
public class Hello extends HttpServlet {
           private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;
           @Override
           protected void doGet(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response)
                                  throws ServletException, IOException {
                                                                    Instead of retrieving data
                       request.setAttribute("now", new Date());
                                                                    we'll just create some here
                       request.setAttribute("one", 1);
                                                                     and store inside request
                       request.setAttribute("two", 2);
                       ServletContext context = this.getServletContext();
                       String jsp = "/Hello.jsp";
                       RequestDispatcher dispatcher = context.getRequestDispatcher(jsp);
                       dispatcher.forward(request, response);
                                                                    Then forward to
                                                                       Hello.jsp
```

Hello.jsp with JSTL and EL

```
<%@ taglib prefix="c" uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/jstl/core" %>
<%@page contentType="text/html" pageEncoding="UTF-8"%>
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">
    <title>JSP Page</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>Hello JSP</h1>
                                  EL can be used to print
    ${now}
                                  or used in statement tag
                                                                                           Browser shows:
    <div>
                                                                                 Hello JSP
            <c:if test="${two gt one}">
                                                Uses now, one, two
                  ${two}
                                                  stored in request
            </c:if>
                                                                                  Tue Apr 30 12:52:13 CEST 2019
    </div>
                          <c:if> to create if
                             statement
  </body>
</html>
```

Expression Language

- \${expression}
- \${object.value}

Uses .getValue() method

Easier for non-Java people?

Supported Operators

- Arithmetic: +, -, *, / (div), % (mod)
- Relational: == (eq), != (ne), < (lt), > (gt), <= (lte), >= (gte)
- Logical: && (and), || (or), ! (not)
- Other: (), empty, []

EL Scopes

 When using a variable in EL it uses the name as a key to find a value in the following scopes:

Page scope

Request scope

What we used in our example, and what you should mostly use

- Session scope
- Application scope

JSTL

Example JTSL core tags:

Other libs can also be loaded

```
<%@ taglib prefix="c" uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/jstl/core" %>
```

– Import the core tag lib with the prefix "c"

```
<c:if test="${two gt one}"> ... </c:if>
```

Use the <c:if> tag to make an if statement

```
<c:forEach items="${customers}" var="customer"> ... </c:forEach>
```

Use the <c:forEach> tag to make a loop

Description
Output result of evaluating an expression
Sets a key in one of the scopes JSTL Core Tags
Removes a key in one of the scopes
Catches any java.lang.Throwable inside it
Executes content if test is true
For a multi condition if (if/else)
Specify one (or more) conditions inside a <c:choose></c:choose>
Specify what should happen if none of the <c:when> are true</c:when>
Ability to import data from a url (does http request)
Basic Foreach
Iterates over tokens separated by the supplied delimiter
Redirects to a URL (HTTP 3xx)
Encodes a URL with optional parameters
To provide parameters to the url and import tags

Formatting Tags

<%@ taglib prefix="fmt" uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/jstl/fmt" %>

Tag	Description
<fmt:message></fmt:message>	Gets message from bundle (for internationalization)
<fmt:param></fmt:param>	To give parameter to <fmt:message></fmt:message>
<fmt:bundle></fmt:bundle>	Specify a resource bundle to use
<fmt:setlocale></fmt:setlocale>	Sets the locale
<pre><fmt:requestencoding></fmt:requestencoding></pre>	Sets the request's character encoding
<fmt:timezone></fmt:timezone>	Specifies the timezone for formatting
<fmt:settimezone></fmt:settimezone>	Stores the specified timezone into a variable
<fmt:formatnumber></fmt:formatnumber>	Format a number based on the set locale
<fmt:parsenumber></fmt:parsenumber>	Parses a string of a (number, percentage, currency)
<fmt:formatdate></fmt:formatdate>	Formats dates and times in a locale sensitive way
<fmt:parsedate></fmt:parsedate>	Parses string representations of times and dates

Java is Deprecated inside JSP

- There were several ways to write Java in JSP
 - Pure Java code inside JSP (scriptlets)

- And elements that let you use Java:
 - JSP Expressions: <%= user.getName() %>
 - JSP Declarations: <%! int a = 5 %>

These are all depricated (don't use them)

Summary

- The web container is another container
 - Servlets (beans) take request and make response
 - Filters (like AOP) can intercept request / response

- JSP is type of Servlet written in XML
 - Uses JSTL tags for (if / loop) statements
 - Uses EL expressions inside statements or to print



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Hibernate Web Applications

Hibernate Web Applications

- Hibernate is generally only used in combination with Spring or a J2EE Server
 - To provide a deeper understanding of how it's integrated into an application
 - We're first going to manually provide some of the things Hibernate needs to run

Single Entity Manager Factory

- The Entity Manager Factory should start once
 - Only one for the entire application
 - Starts when the app starts
 - Closes when the app closes
- Good way to do this:
 - Make a singleton for it

Entity Manager & DAOs

- Repositories (DAOs) need to be able to get the 'current entityManager'
 - If each DAO method makes it's own EntityManager
 - We need multiple per web request
 - Each EntityManager has:
 - Its own DB connection, transaction, entity cache
 - All of which should be used for multiple operations!

EntityManager per Operation Anti-Pattern

Using a
 EntityManager per operation is so bad it's considered an Anti-Pattern

Also known as:

"SessionPerOperation" Anti-Pattern

Never write a DAO like this!

```
public class BadCustomerDao {
             private EntityManagerFactory emf;
             public CustomerDao() {
                          EntityManagerFactory emf = EMF.get();
             public Customer load(Long id) {
                          EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();
                          Customer c = em.find(Customer.class, id);
                          em.close();
                          return c;
             public void save(Customer c) {
                          EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();
                          em.persist(c);
                          em.close();
             public void update(Customer c) {
                          EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();
                          em.merge(c);
                          em.close();
```

Entity Manager per Request

- We want one Entity Manager per (web) Request
 - Create it in the controller and pass it around as param?
 - Messy solution
- Store it in the current thread
 - Available to every method running in the thread
 - Known as "ThreadLocal"

EntityManager Helper

```
public class EntityManagerHelper {
  private static final EntityManagerFactory emf,
  private static final ThreadLocal<EntityManager> threadLocal,
  static {
    emf = Persistence. createEntityManagerFactory("cs544");
     threadLocal = new ThreadLocal < EntityManager > ();
  public static EntityManager getCurrent() {
    EntityManager em = threadLocal.get();
    if (em == null) {
       em = emf.createEntityManager();
       threadLocal.set(em);
    return em;
  public static void closeEntityManagerFactory() {
    emf.close();
```

EntityManagerHelper provides:

- .Singleton EntityManagerFactory
- .ThreadLocal<EntityManager>
- getCurrent() method that can be called from any method

EntityManager per Request DAO

- DAO's become thin wrappers:
 - Gets current EntityManager
 - Calls method

```
public class CustomerDao {
             public Customer load(Long id) {
                          EntityManager em = EntityManagerHelper.getCurrent();
                          return em.find(Customer.class, id);
             public void save(Customer c) {
                          EntityManager em = EntityManagerHelper.getCurrent();
                          em.persist(c);
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Transaction

Each service method should be one transaction

- Many Thread Local implementations close the EntityManager when the transaction commits
 - Means that all managed objects become detached
 - And automatic loading of related objects no longer works

Service Method

- Before an object is returned from a Service method:
 - Load any related objects needed by the recipient
 - ▶ Either have the DAO load all object into EM cache with query
 - Or have the Service follow references to 'force lazy loading'

```
public class CustomerService {
              public Customer getCustomer(Long id) {
                            EntityManager em = EntityManagerHelper.getCurrent();
                            em.getTransaction().begin();
                                                                                      Starts and stops the
                            Customer c = customerDao.load(id);
                                                                                           Transaction
                            // follow references to ensure related objects are loaded
                            c.getAddress().getCity();
                            c.getCreditCard().getAddress().getCity();
                                                                                 Makes sure related
                            // Then commit (may close entity manager)
                            em.getTransaction().commit();
                                                                                  objects are loaded
                            // and return the 'object structure'
                            return c;
```



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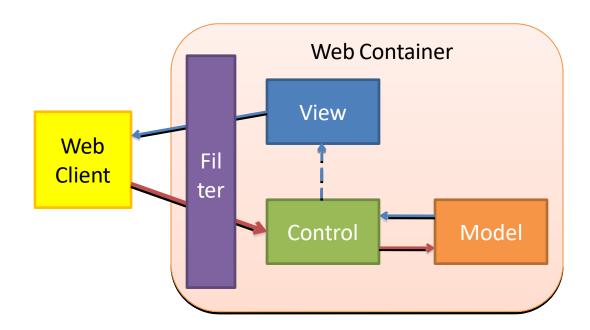
Hibernate Web: Open EntityManager in View

View

- Loading having all the entity objects loaded before they reach the view is a best practice
- Nevertheless, people find it frustrating that they cannot do lazy loading in the view
 - Solution: OpenEntityManagerInView pattern
 - Very popular / but some see it as an anti-pattern

OpenEntityManagerInView

- Uses a filter to open TX before controller
 - Closes TX after view is done



Open in View Filter

```
@WebFilter(filterName = "OpenEntityManagerInView", urlPatterns = "/*")
public class EntityManagerInterceptor implements Filter {
             @Override
             public void destroy() { }
             @Override
             public void init(FilterConfig fc) throws ServletException { }
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                                       throws IOException, ServletException {
                          EntityManager em = EntityManagerHelper.getCurrent();
                          try {
                                       em.getTransaction().begin();
                                                                                     Wraps all Servlets
                                       chain.doFilter(req, res);
                                       em.getTransaction().commit();
                                                                                   (controller and view)
                          } catch (RuntimeException e) {
                                                                                   In one big transaction
                                       if (em != null && em.isOpen())
                                                     em.getTransaction().rollback();
                                       throw e:
                          } finally {
                                       em.close();
```

Service Method

- Just load first object
 - Any related objects can be loaded by view

```
public class CustomerService {
...
public Customer getCustomer(Long id) {
    return customerDao.load(id);
}

No longer has
Transaction code
(TX inside Filter)

No longer loads related
data (view can do so)
```

No console app or JavaFX app

Criticism

Ties the Service Layer to Web Environment

- Only a web environment can lazy load (with filter)
- Can create Transaction that is too big
 - But each request usually calls only one service method
- Database activity happens during view
 - Some consider it a violation of layers
 - But it's not seen in code (just happens)

Hibernate App Summary

- The EMF should be a singleton
 - EM per operation is bad (for TX, cache, DB conn)
 - ThreadLocal used to give each request its own EM

- Load all related data before service method returns
 - Best practice, but there is a alternate option:
 - OpenEntityManagerInView filter so view can lazy load

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Concurrency

Concurrency

- Concurrent means 'at the same time'
 - Enterprise Apps need have many users (same time)
 - Concurrency problems center around Shared data
 - Data (state) only gets stored in DB
 - @Controller, @Service, and @Repository are stateless

Transactions

The DB manages concurrency with Transactions



- A Transactions is a unit of work that is:
 - **ATOMIC:** The transaction is considered a single unit, either the entire transaction completes, or the entire transaction fails.
 - **CONSISTENT:** A transaction transforms the database from one consistent state to another consistent state
 - -ISOLATED: Data inside a transaction can not be changed by another concurrent processes until the transaction has been committed
 - **DURABLE:** Once committed, the changes made by a transaction are persistent

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Concurrency: Isolation Level

Isolation Levels

- Proper isolation is expensive (takes lots of time) to produce in a multi-user environment
 - Isolation is often relaxed to increase DB speed
 - ANSI SQL defines 4 isolation levels

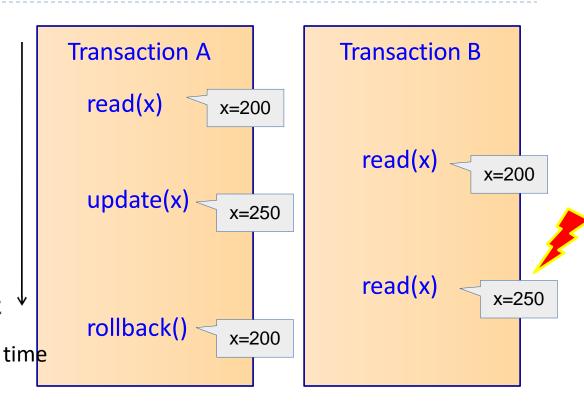
Read Uncommitted, Read Committed, Repeatable Read, Serializable

Weaker and Faster to Stronger and Slower

- Most Dbs default to Read Committed isolation
 - Only Serializable fully isolates a transaction from all concurrency issues

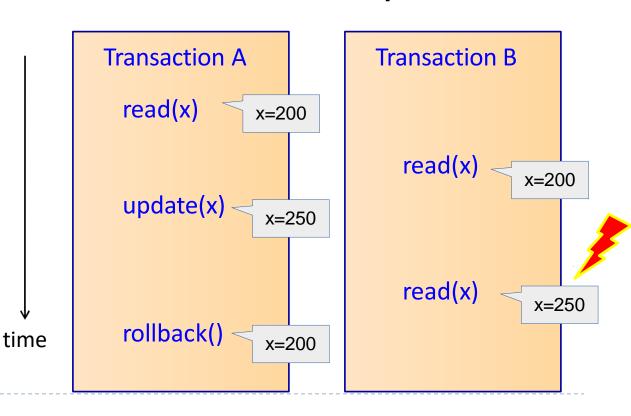
Read Uncommitted

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Concurrency Issues

- Dirty reads: a TX can read data that may never even get committed (useless)
- Non-repeatable read: a TX can read the same row twice and get two different values
- Lost updates: an update made by one TX silently disappears / overwritten (more on this later)
- Phantom Read: executing the same select twice may return more or less rows the second time

Read Committed

Uses write-locks Transaction A Transaction B to hide noncommitted data read(x) x = 200(solves dirty reads) read(x) x = 200Write locks update(x) x = 250until TX commits read(x) Written data Waiting for write Commit() blocks access until lock to clear x = 250time commit Read occurs x = 250Every thread can Not write-locked read normal data <

Not MySQL it defaults to Repeatable Read

Concurrency Issues

- Read Committed is the Default for many Dbs
 - -Write locks cause some delays, but not significant
 - Speed more important than fixing concurrency issues

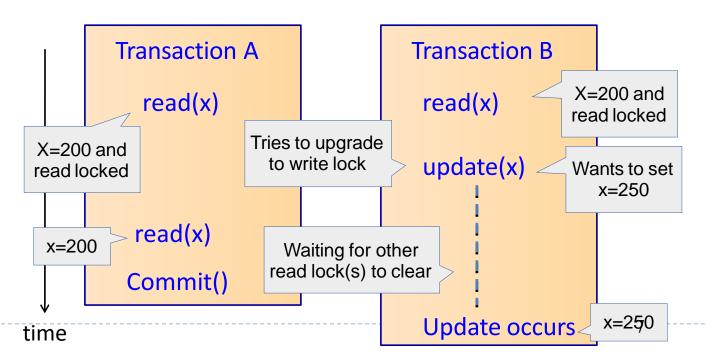
- Do provide other ways of solving them:
 - -Pessimistic locking (provided by most Dbs)-

Not MySQL

Optimistic concurrency (provided by JPA)

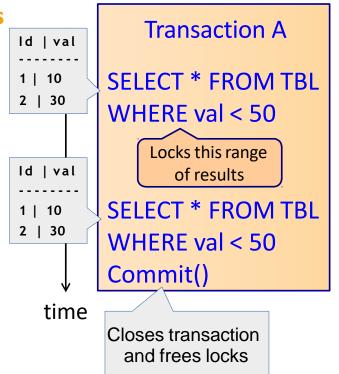
Repeatable Read

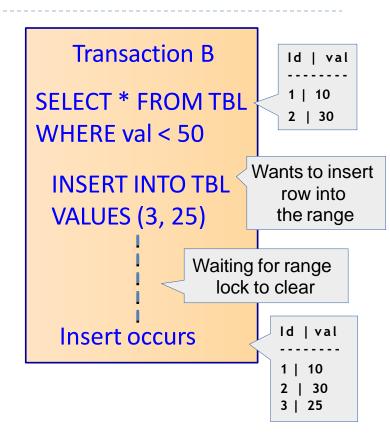
- Uses read and write locks to solve non-repeatable read and lost update problems
 - Once read all future reads same value



Serializable

- Sets range locks to solve phantom read
 - Lots of locks
 - Slow
 - Functionally similar to executing one after the other





Changing the default

You can raise the default isolation level

Not Recommended

- Everything will be slower, less scalable
- Even for transactions that don't need it

Inside persistence.xml:

property name= "hibernate.connection.isolation" value= "8" />

- 1 Read Uncommitted
- 2 Read Committed
- 4 Repeatable Read
- 8 Serializable

Using read-committed

- Because speed is usually more important most databases use read-committed
- This leaves DBs open to:
 - Non-repeatable reads
 - Phantom readsBiggestProblem!
- We'll look at some ways to mitigate lost-update



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Concurrency: Optimistic Concurrency

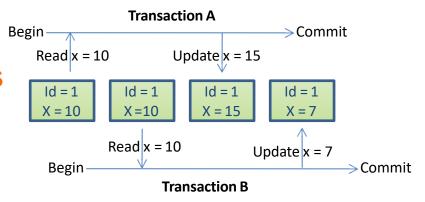
Optimistic Concurrency

- Optimistic concurrency assumes that lost update conflicts generally don't occur
 - -But keeps versions# so that it knows when they do
 - Uses read committed transaction level
 - -Guarantees best performance and scalability
 - -The default way to deal with concurrency



Lost Update Problem

- Read Committed Allows:
 - Last update to commit wins
 - First update lost



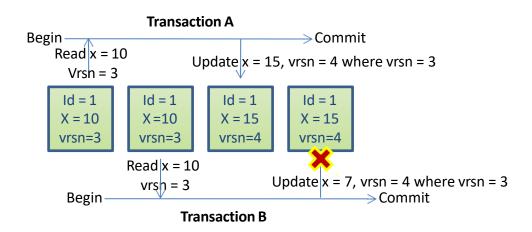
Timeline:

- Transactions A and B read id=1, x=10
- ▶ Transaction A changes x to x=15 (increment by 5)
- Transaction B wants to decrement by 3, sets X=7
- ▶ Neither A or B is aware that data was lost!



Versioning – First Update Wins

- Optimistic concurrency adds a version column
 - To track updates



Last update fails

- ▶ UPDATE table SET x=15 WHERE id=1 AND vrsn=3
- If other tx changed version, update does nothing
- JPA throws OptimisticLockException (in last TX)

OptimisticLockException

- When a version conflict occurs, JPA implementations throw a OptimisticLockException
 - -Catching this exception allows you to notify the user about the conflict
 - -The user can then reload the data and apply their updates against the latest data

Merging Conflicts

- If you have the time:
 - You can create a conflict merging page
 - Showing their the updates the other TX made
 - Showing the updates the user wanted to make
 - Allowing easy resolution
 - User may not always remember all details on error



Version Column

- The best way to enable versioning is with an additional integer property / column
 - Should have no semantic value (no meaning)
 - Should be updated by all apps using the table!

```
@Entity
public class Customer {
    @Id
    @GeneratedValue
private int id;
private String firstname;
private String lastname;
@Version
getter / setter

@Uses @Version
private int version;
```

Timestamp Column

- JPA also supports a Timestamp column
 - Not as good: may have business logic (can change)
 - Not every computer's time is exactly the same
 - But usually set by DB
 - Otherwise could give interesting bugs in finding who is first

```
@Entity
public class Customer {
    @Id
    @GeneratedValue
    private int id;
    private String firstname;
    private String lastname;

@Version
private Date timestamp;

@Version on
Date or Calendar
```

Without a column

- Hibernate extension only works for objects that have not been detached
 - Checks if attributes are the same as when retrieved

```
@Entity
@org.hibernate.annotations.Entity(
optimisticLock=OptimisticLockType.ALL,
dynamicUpdate=true
)
public class Customer {
@Id
@GeneratedValue
private int id;
private String firstname;
private String lastname;
...
```



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Concurrency: Application Transactions

Application Transactions

- Application Transactions are longer running conversations
 - Can be seen as a Unit of Work from the User Perspective
 - Spanning two or more screens
- ▶ The user expects these units of work to be
 - Atomic, Consistent, Isolated, and Durable
 - Submitting data after each screen would not allow us to roll back the entire unit of work (not Atomic)
 - Nor should you use a single database transaction across multiple screens
 - Keeping locks open during user think time

Checkout

- An online checkout is generally an Application Tx
 - Multiple screens (items, shipping, payment, etc)
 - Needs to be: Atomic, Consistent, Isolated, Durable

- Can be implemented with optimistic concurrency
 - Detach objects after first screen, store in session
 - Update objects on subsequent screens
 - Re-attach objects after final screen
 - Exception will be thrown if changes happened outside App TX

Pessimistic Locking



- For certain operations optimistic concurrency might not be enough
- Stricter isolation might be required to prevent the unrepeatable reads problem
- Hibernate can request explicit database level locks to provide increased isolation
- These locks will be released on commit

SELECT FOR UPDATE on DBs that support it

```
Customer cust = (Customer)session.get(Customer.class, 1);
em.lock(cust, LockModeType.UPGRADE);
```

```
Customer cust = em.find(Customer.class, 1, LockModeType.UPGRADE);
```

LockModeType

Lock Mode	Description	Throws PersistenceException on objects without version
None	Nothing	on objects without version
OPTIMISTIC	Performs a version column check	
OPTIMISTIC_FORCE_INCREMENT	Ensures an increment on the version column before the transactions sommits	
PESSIMISTIC_FORCE_INCREMENT	Forces and increment on the version column right away and tries to get a write lock	
PESSIMISTIC_READ	Tries to get a read lock in the DB	
PESSIMISTIC_WRITE	Tries to get a write lock in the DB	
READ	Synonym of OPTIMISTIC	
WRITE Newer apps should use	Synonym of OPTIMISTIC_FORCE_INCREMENT	

Concurrency Summary

- Databases often run in weaker isolation modes
- Optimistic concurrency uses a version column to prevent the Lost Update problem
- Pessimistic Locking can be used to force database locks or version column updates
- Application Transactions can be implemented using detached objects and version columns