

Handle Customers by Email



Code Refactoring

- Currently, if we perform multiple checkouts with **same email address**
- We have multiple customer entries in customer table

```
1 • SELECT * FROM `full-stack-eCommerce`.customer;
```

	id	first_name	last_name	email
▶	1	John	Doe	john.doe@luv2code.com
	2	Mary	Public	mary.public@luv2code.com
	3	John	Doe	john.doe@luv2code.com
	4	John	Doe	john.doe@luv2code.com
	5	John	Doe	john.doe@luv2code.com
		NULL	NULL	NULL

same email address

Our Solution

- A single customer is associated with multiple orders
- On the backend, in our `CheckoutServiceImpl`
 - Check database if customer already exists based on email
 - If so then use the existing customer from database
 - Else we have a new customer

Development Process

Step-By-Step

1. Remove existing data from database tables
2. Modify database schema to only allow unique email addresses
3. Add new method to CustomerRepository
 1. findByEmail(...)
4. Update CheckoutServiceImpl
 1. Check if customer already exists ... if so then use the existing customer

Step 1: Remove existing data from database tables

Run this SQL in MySQL Workbench

```
USE `full-stack-eCommerce`;  
  
-- clean up previous database tables  
  
SET FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=0;  
  
TRUNCATE customer;  
TRUNCATE orders;  
TRUNCATE order_item;  
TRUNCATE address;  
  
SET FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=1;
```

the truncate command
removes ALL rows from a table

In general

- truncate is faster than delete
- truncate resets auto_increment back to starting value

Step 2: Modify database schema to only allow unique email addresses

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-- clean up previous database tables  
  
SET FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=0;  
  
TRUNCATE customer;  
TRUNCATE orders;  
TRUNCATE order_item;  
TRUNCATE address;  
  
SET FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=1;  
  
-- make the email address unique  
  
ALTER TABLE customer ADD UNIQUE (email);
```

Database constraint

**MySQL will throw an error
if you attempt to
insert duplicate email**

Step 3: Add new method to CustomerRepository

- Spring Data REST and Spring Data JPA supports "query methods"
- Spring will construct a query based on method naming conventions

File: CustomerRepository.java

```
public interface CustomerRepository extends JpaRepository<Customer, Long> {  
  
    Customer findByEmail(String theEmail);  
  
}
```

Magic!

Step 3: Add new method to CustomerRepository

- Find a customer based on email

File: CustomerRepository.java

```
public interface CustomerRepository extends JpaRepository<Customer, Long> {  
    Customer findByEmail(String theEmail);  
}
```

Method returns null
if not found

Behind the scenes,
Spring will execute
a query similar to this

```
SELECT * FROM Customer c WHERE c.email = theEmail
```

Step 4: Update CheckoutServiceImpl

File: CheckoutServiceImpl.java

```
public PurchaseResponse placeOrder(Purchase purchase) {  
  
    // retrieve the order info from dto  
    Order order = purchase.getOrder();  
    ...  
    ...  
    // populate customer with order  
    Customer customer = purchase.getCustomer();  
  
    // check if this is an existing customer ...  
    String theEmail = customer.getEmail();  
  
    Customer customerFromDB = customerRepository.findByEmail(theEmail);  
  
    if (customerFromDB != null) {  
        // we found them ... let's assign them accordingly  
        customer = customerFromDB;  
    }  
  
    // add the order to the customer  
    customer.add(order);  
  
    // save to the database  
    customerRepository.save(customer);  
  
    // return a response  
    return new PurchaseResponse(orderTrackingNumber);  
}
```

Method returns null
if not found

