

Entity Lifecycle, Callbacks, and Listeners



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Previous Module



Java Persistent Query Language

Manipulate entities and attributes

Dynamic queries

Named queries

Bind parameters or paginate

Overview



Lifecycle

Managed

Detached

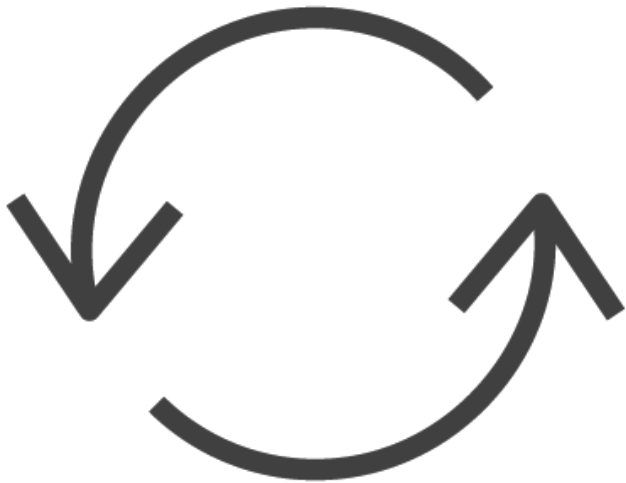
Callback annotations

Business logic

Entity listeners



Entity Lifecycle



Entities are POJOs

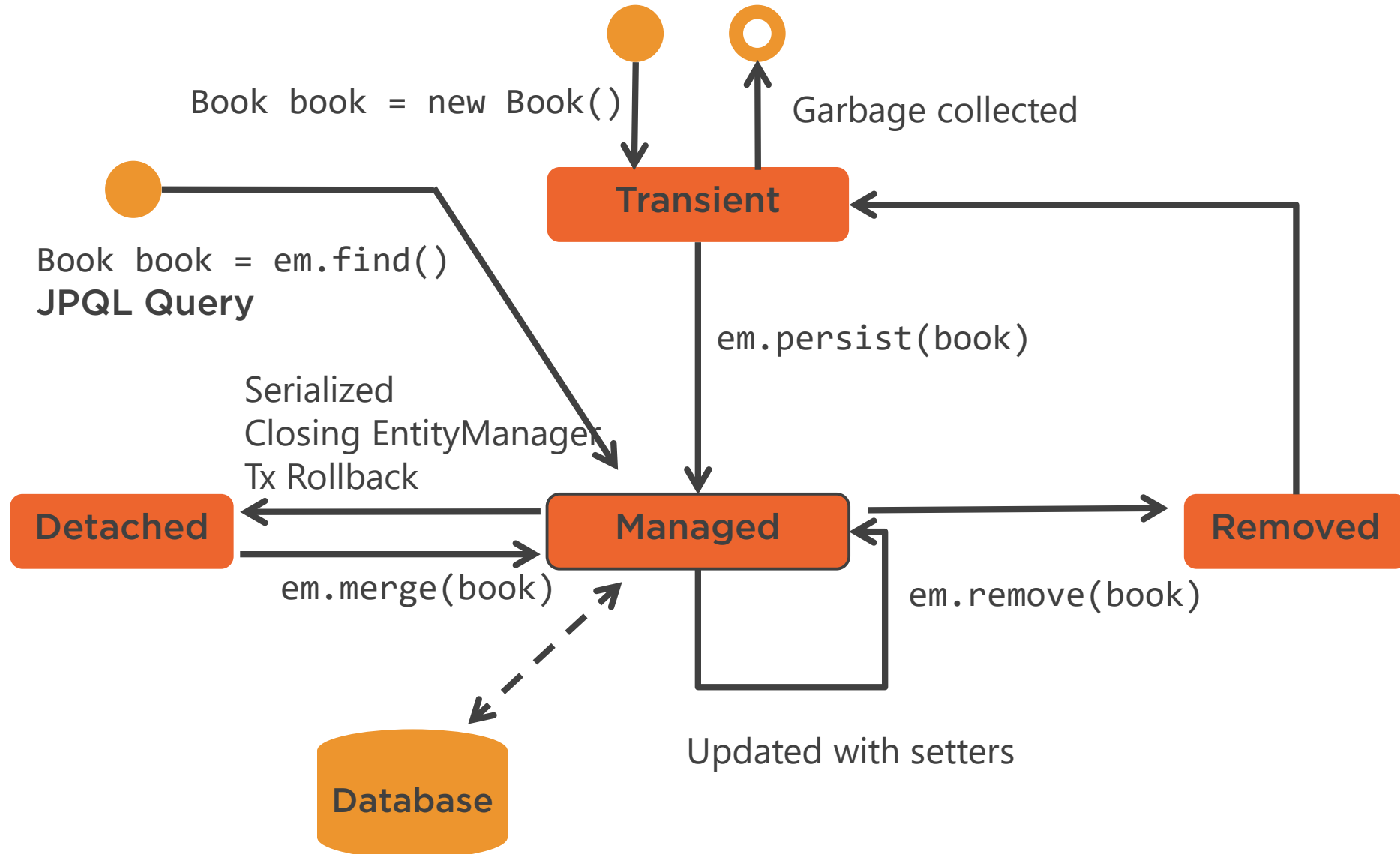
Events occur depending on operation

- Persisting
- Updating
- Removing
- Loading

Managed

Detached

Entity Lifecycle



Managed vs. Detached: Persisting

```
public class BookService {  
  
    private EntityManagerFactory emf =  
        Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("myPU");  
    private EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();  
    private EntityTransaction tx = em.getTransaction();  
  
    public Book createBook(Long id, String title, String desc) {  
        Book book = new Book();  
        book.setId(id);  
        book.setTitle(title);  
        book.setDescription(desc);  
        tx.begin();  
        em.persist(book);  
        tx.commit();  
        return book;  
    }  
}
```



Managed vs. Detached: Persisting

```
public class BookService {  
  
    private EntityManagerFactory emf =  
        Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("myPU");  
    private EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();  
    private EntityTransaction tx = em.getTransaction();  
  
    public Book createBook(Book book) {  
        tx.begin();  
        em.persist(book);  
        tx.commit();  
        return book;  
    }  
}
```



Managed vs. Detached: Finding

```
public class BookService {  
  
    private EntityManagerFactory emf =  
        Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("myPU");  
    private EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();  
    private EntityTransaction tx = em.getTransaction();  
  
    public Book findBook(Long id) {  
        return em.find(Book.class, id);  
    }  
  
}
```



Managed vs. Detached: Updating

```
public class BookService {  
  
    private EntityManagerFactory emf =  
        Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("myPU");  
    private EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();  
    private EntityTransaction tx = em.getTransaction();  
  
    public Book raiseUnitCost(Long id, Float raise) {  
        Book book = em.find(Book.class, id);  
        if (book != null) {  
            tx.begin();  
            book.setUnitCost(book.getUnitCost() + raise);  
            tx.commit();  
        }  
        return book;  
    }  
}
```



Managed vs. Detached: Updating

```
public class BookService {  
  
    private EntityManagerFactory emf =  
        Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("myPU");  
    private EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();  
    private EntityTransaction tx = em.getTransaction();  
  
    public Book raiseUnitCost(Book book, Float raise) {  
        Book bookToBeUpdated = em.merge(book);  
        tx.begin();  
        bookToBeUpdated.setUnitCost(bookToBeUpdated.getUnitCost() + raise);  
        tx.commit();  
        return book;  
    }  
}
```



Managed vs. Detached: Removing

```
public class BookService {  
  
    private EntityManagerFactory emf =  
        Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("myPU");  
    private EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();  
    private EntityTransaction tx = em.getTransaction();  
  
    public void removeBook(Book book) {  
        Book bookToBeDeleted = em.merge(book);  
        tx.begin();  
        em.remove(bookToBeDeleted);  
        tx.commit();  
    }  
}
```



Managed vs. Detached: Removing

```
public class BookService {  
  
    private EntityManagerFactory emf =  
        Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("myPU");  
    private EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();  
    private EntityTransaction tx = em.getTransaction();  
  
    public void removeBook(Book book) {  
  
        tx.begin();  
        em.remove(em.merge(book));  
        tx.commit();  
    }  
  
}
```



Callback Methods



Four operations

- Persisting
- Updating
- Removing
- Loading

Pre event

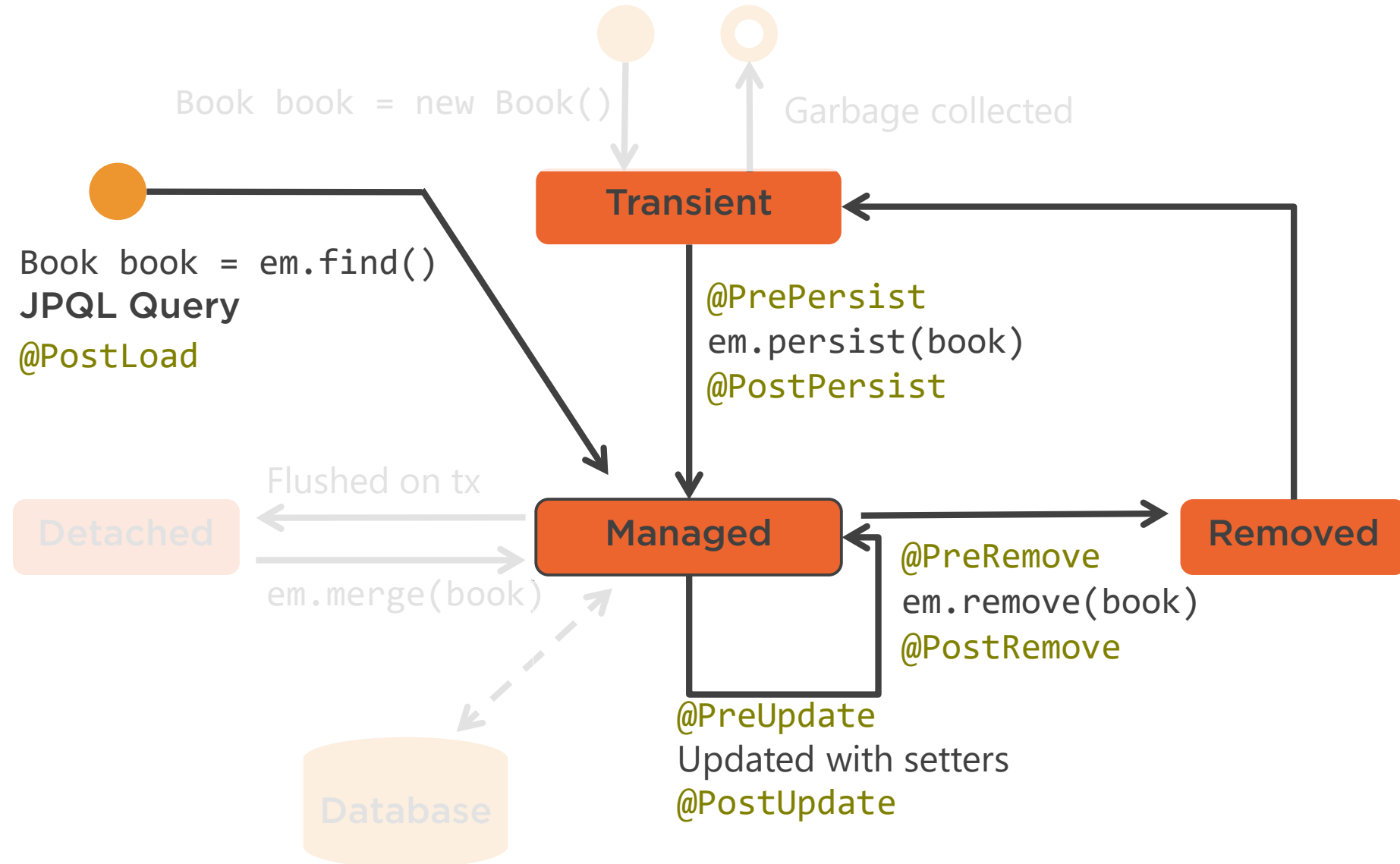
Post event

Business method

Annotations



Pre/Post Events



Callback Annotations



@PrePersist and @PostPersist

@PreUpdate and @PostUpdate

@PreRemove and @PostRemove

@PostLoad

Public, private, protected, or package

Cannot be static or final

Throw unchecked exceptions

Entity with Callback Annotations

@Entity

```
public class Author {
```

```
    @Id @GeneratedValue
```

```
    private Long id;
```

```
    private String firstName;
```

```
    private String lastName;
```

```
    private LocalDate dateOfBirth;
```

```
    @Transient
```

```
    private Integer age;
```

```
    // Constructors, Getters & Setters
```

```
    ...
```



Entity with Callback Annotations

...

@PrePersist

@PreUpdate

```
private void validate() {  
    if (firstName == null || "".equals(firstName))  
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Invalid first name");  
    if (lastName == null || "".equals(lastName))  
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Invalid last name");  
}
```

...



Entity with Callback Annotations

...

@PostLoad

@PostPersist

@PostUpdate

```
public void calculateAge() {
```

```
    age = Period.between(dateOfBirth, LocalDate.now())  
                .getYears();
```

```
}
```

```
}
```



Demo



Business logic

Author entity

Method to validate the author

Calculate the age

Callback annotations

Entity life cycle



Entity Listeners



Callback method

Business logic related to that entity

Entity listeners

Business logic to a separate class

Share it between other entities

An entity listener is just a POJO

@EntityListeners annotation

Entity Listener

```
public class ValidationListener {  
  
    @PrePersist  
    @PreUpdate  
    private void validate(Author author) {  
        if (author.getFirstName() == null ||  
            "".equals(author.getFirstName()))  
            throw new IllegalArgumentException("Invalid first name");  
        if (author.getLastName() == null ||  
            "".equals(author.getLastName()))  
            throw new IllegalArgumentException("Invalid last name");  
    }  
}
```



Entity Listener

```
public class AgeCalculationListener {  
  
    @PostLoad  
    @PostPersist  
    @PostUpdate  
    public void calculateAge(Author author) {  
        author.setAge(Period.between(author.getDateOfBirth(),  
                                     LocalDate.now()).getYears());  
    }  
}
```



Entity Listener

```
public class AgeCalculationListener {  
  
    @PostLoad  
    @PostPersist  
    @PostUpdate  
    public void calculateAge(Author author) {  
        author.setAge(Period.between(author.getDateOfBirth(),  
                                     LocalDate.now()).getYears());  
    }  
}
```



Entity Listener

```
public class AgeCalculationListener {  
  
    @PostLoad  
    @PostPersist  
    @PostUpdate  
    public void calculateAge(Artist artist) {  
        artist.setAge(Period.between(artist.getDateOfBirth(),  
                                     LocalDate.now()).getYears());  
    }  
}
```



Entity with Listeners

```
@Entity
@EntityListeners({
    AgeCalculationListener.class,
    ValidationListener.class
})
public class Musician extends Artist {

    @Id @GeneratedValue
    private Long id;
    private String firstName;
    private String lastName;
    private LocalDate dateOfBirth;
    @Transient
    private Integer age;
```



Entity with Listeners

```
@Entity
@EntityListeners({
    AgeCalculationListener.class,
    ValidationListener.class
})
public class Author extends Artist {

    @Id @GeneratedValue
    private Long id;
    private String firstName;
    private String lastName;
    private LocalDate dateOfBirth;
    @Transient
    private Integer age;
```



Default Listeners



Applied by default to all the entities

No annotation

Specified in XML

@ExcludeDefaultListeners



Default Listener

```
public class LifecycleListener {  
  
    @PrePersist  
    void prePersist(Object object) {  
        System.out.println("PrePersist");  
    }  
  
    @PostPersist  
    void postPersist(Object object) {  
        System.out.println("PostPersist");  
    }  
}
```



Defining Default Listeners

```
<entity-mappings (...) version="2.2">

  <persistence-unit-metadata>
    <persistence-unit-defaults>
      <entity-listeners>
        <entity-listener class="com.pluralsight.
                                LifecycleListener" />
      </entity-listeners>
    </persistence-unit-defaults>
  </persistence-unit-metadata>

</entity-mappings>
```



One-to-many Bidirectional

```
@Entity
public class Author extends Artist {

    // Attributes and Constructors
}

@Entity
@ExcludeDefaultListeners
public class Musician extends Artist {

    // Attributes and Constructors
}
```



Demo



Musician entity and Artist mapped superclass

Validate data and calculate age

Separate listeners

Default listener

XML file



Summary



Entity lifecycle

Managed vs. detached

Entities can have business logic

Callback methods

Listeners

Default listeners



Next Module



JPA integrates with Java EE

Java EE 8

Context and Dependency Injection (CDI)

Transactions (JTA)

Bean Validation

JAX-B

