Lecture 3: The Data Access Tier

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Today's agenda



14h00 - 15h00	60'	Lecture The Data Access Object (DAO) Pattern JDBC Demo / Exercise Setting up MySQL & Glassfish, running the updated MVCDemo project
15h00 - 15h10	10'	Break
15h10 - 16h25	75'	Lecture Java Persistence API (JPA) Java Reflection & JavaBeans Demo / Exercise Writing User Acceptance Tests with Selenium and the WebDriver API



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The DAO Design Pattern



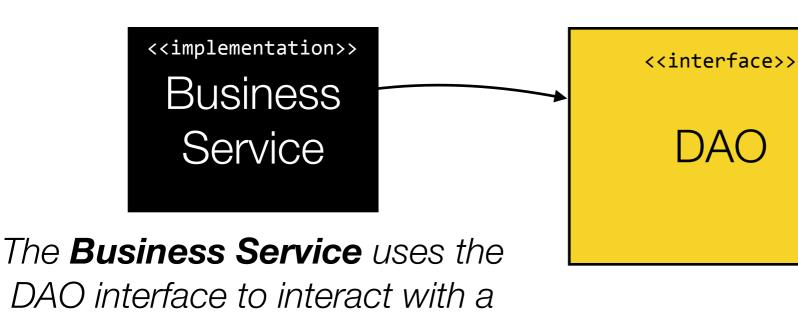
What is the **DAO** design pattern and what are its benefits?

- Most applications manipulate data that is stored in one or more data stores.
- There are different ways to implement a data store. Think about specific RDMS, NoSQL DBs, LDAP servers, file systems, etc.
- When you implement business logic, you would like to create code that is **independent** from a particular data store implementation (*).
- In other words, you want to **reduce coupling** between your business service and your data store implementation.
- When you apply the Data Access Object design pattern, you create an abstraction layer to achieve this goal.

^(*) This is true only to some extent... you cannot completely forget about it, for instance for performance reasons



The **DAO** interface defines generic **CRUD** operations and finder methods



long create(T object);
delete(long id);
update(T object);
findById(long);
findAll();
findByXXXX(Object k);
findByYYYY(Object k);

DAO implementations handle interactions with specific data stores

<<implementation>>
JpaDAO

<<implementation>>
JdbcDAO

<<implementation>>
MongoDAO

particular DAO implementation

<<implementation>>
RedisDAO

<<implementation>>
LdapDAO

<<implementation>>
FileSystemDAO

Give me a DAO implementation!

<<implementation>> DAO getDAO(); Business Service <<interface>> DAO

Do a CRUD operation for me! <<implementation>>

DAOFactory

long create(T object); delete(long id); update(T object); findById(long); findAll(); findByXXX(Object k); findByYYY(Object k);

<<implementation>> JdbcDAO

<<implementation>> **JpaDAO**

<<implementation>> MongoDAO

<<implementation>> RedisDAO

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PostgreSQL

Oracle

MongoDB

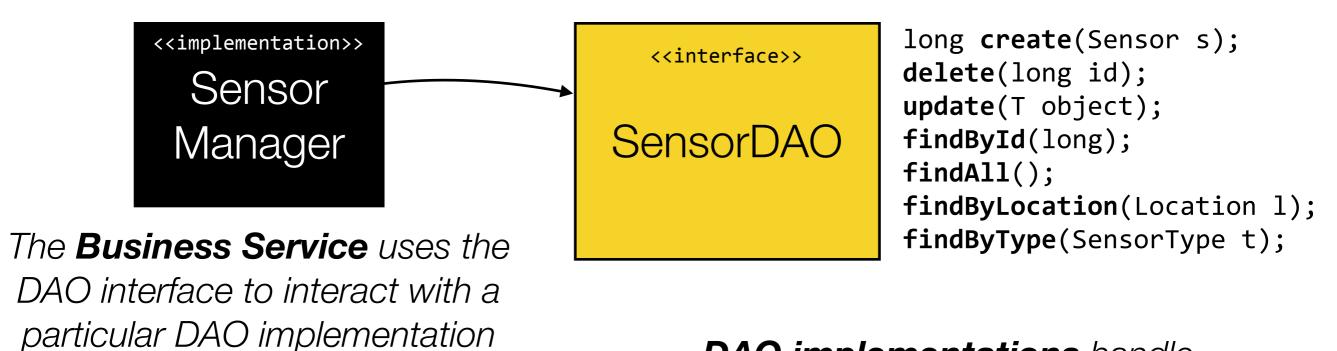
redis

LDAP server

File System



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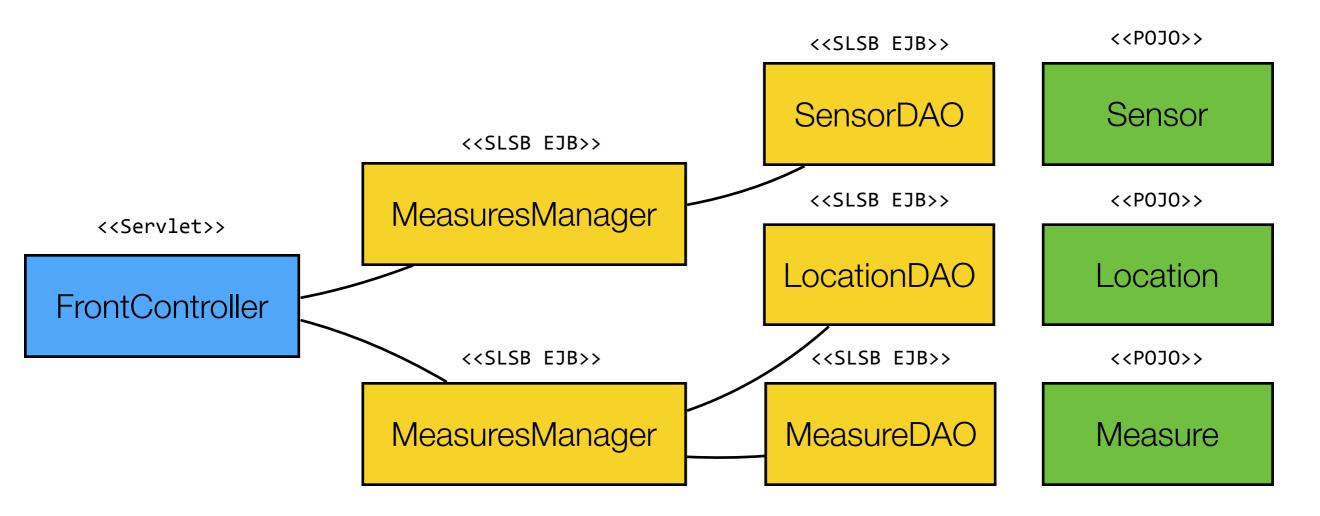
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SensorJpaDAO

<<implementation>>
SensorJdbcDAO



How do I implement the DAO pattern with Java EE technologies?

- There are different ways to do it. Some frameworks (e.g. Spring) do that in the web tier (with POJOs).
- If you use **EJBs**, then your architecture is going to look like this:





Is it possible to have **two EJB classes** that implement the **same interface**?

- In the examples so far (and in most cases in practice), we have always created one local interface and one stateless session bean class.
- If we define the **DAO** interface as a local interface and implement two stateless session beans (JdbcDAO and JpaDAO), then we have an issue:

 The container is unable to resolve this

```
@Stateless
public class SensorJdbcDAO {
         implements SensorDAOLocal
    public long insert(Sensor sensor){}
}
```

```
@Stateless
public class SensorJpaDAO {
         implements SensorDAOLocal
    public long insert(Sensor sensor){}
}
```



Is it possible to have **two EJB classes** that implement the **same interface**?

- We can help the container by giving additional information in the annotation.
- If we define the **DAO** interface as a local interface and implement two stateless session beans (JdbcDAO and JpaDAO), then we have an issue:

 The name, beanName and

```
@Local
public interface SensorDAOLocal {
   public long insert(Sensor sensor);
}
```

```
@Stateless
public class SensorJdbcDAO {
        implements SensorDAOLocal
    public long insert(Sensor sensor){}
}
```

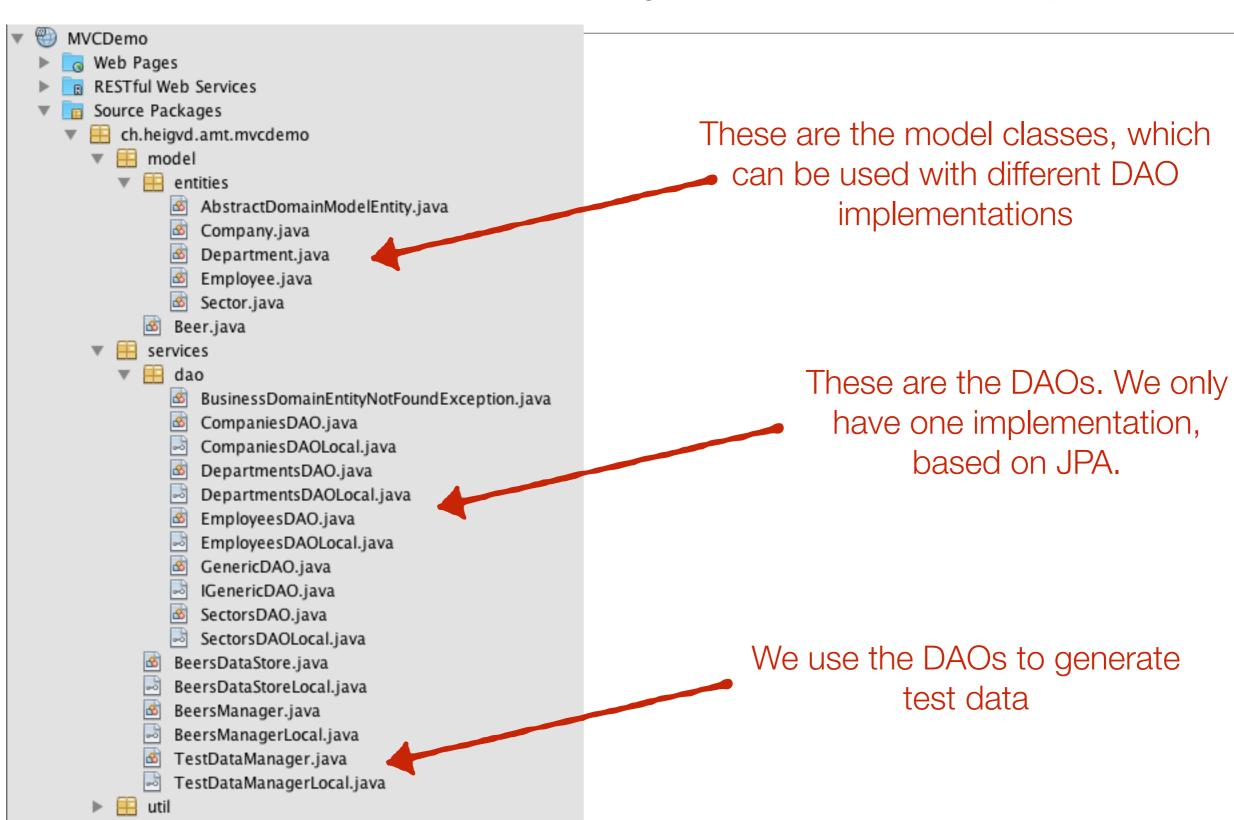
```
@Stateless
public class SensorJpaDAO {
         implements SensorDAOLocal
    public long insert(Sensor sensor){}
}
```

mappedName annotation

attributes have different purposes.

DAO in the MVCDemo Project







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Java DataBase Connectivity



What is **JDBC**?

- The Java DataBase Connectivity is a specification that defines how applications can interact with relational database management systems in a standard way.
- Its goal is to create an abstraction layer between applications and specific RDBMS (MySQL, Oracle, PostgresSQL, DB2, etc.).
- Through this abstraction layer, applications can submit SQL queries to read, insert, update and delete records in tables.
- Applications can also get metadata about the relational schema (table names, column names, etc.).



What does it look like?

```
@Stateless
public class SensorJdbcDAO implements SensorDAOLocal {
                                                         dependency injection
 @Resource(lookup = "jdbc/AMTDatabase") ___
 private DataSource dataSource;
public List<Sensor> findAll() {
   List<Sensor> result = new LinkedList<>();
                                                                 get a connection from the pool
   try {
     Connection con = dataSource.getConnection(); 
     PreparedStatement ps = con.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM Sensors");
     ResultSet rs = ps.executeQuery();
                                                          create and submit a SQL query
     while (rs.next()) {
                                      —— scroll through the tabular result set
       Sensor sensor = new Sensor();
       sensor.setId(rs.getLong("ID"));
       sensor.setDescription(rs.getString("DESCRIPTION"));
       sensor.setType(rs.getString("TYPE"));
       result.add(sensor);

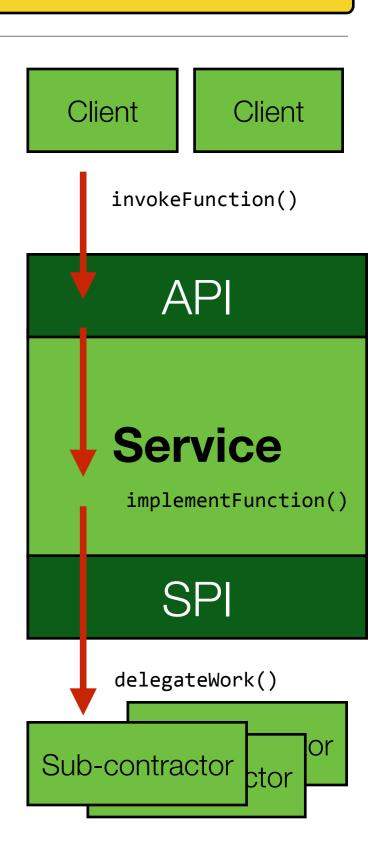
    get data from the result set

     ps.close();
     con.close();
                               return the connection to the pool
   } catch (SQLException ex) {
     Logger.getLogger(SensorJdbcDAO.class.getName()).log(Level.SEVERE, null, ex);
   return result;
```



What is the difference between an **API** and a **SPI**?

- An Application Programming Interface
 (API) is a contract between a client and a service.
- It defines what the client can request from the service.
- A Service Provider API (SPI) is a contract between a service and its subcontractors (components to which it delegates some of the work).
- It defines what the subcontractors need to do in order to receive work from the service.





What is the difference between an **API** and a **SPI**?

```
public interface ServiceAPI {
  public void invokeFunction1();
  public String invokeFunction2(Object param1);
public class Service implements ServiceAPI {
 private ServiceSPI provider;
 public void invokeFunction1() { provider.delegateWork(null); };
 public String invokeFunction2(Object param1) {
    doSomething(); delegateOtherWork();
 public void registerServiceProvider(ServiceSPI provider) {
    this.provider = provider
public interface ServiceSPI {
  public void delegateWork(String[] params);
  public void delegateOtherWork();
  public void doSomething();
```



In some cases, the SPI is an extension of the API.

```
public interface ServiceAPI {
  public void invokeFunction1();
  public String invokeFunction2(Object param1);
public class Service implements ServiceAPI {
 private ServiceSPI provider;
 public void invokeFunction1() { provider.invokeFunction1(); };
 public String invokeFunction2(Object param1) {
    provider.invokeFunction2(param1); doSomethingNotExposedInAPI();
 public void registerServiceProvider(ServiceSPI provider) {
    this.provider = provider
public interface ServiceSPI extends ServiceAPI {
  public void doSomethingNotExposedInAPI();
```



What is **JDBC**?

JDBC API

java[x].sql.* interfaces

JDBC Service (provided by JRE)
java[x].sq1.* classes

JDBC SPI (extends JDBC API)

JDBC MySQL driver

implements java[x].sq1.* interfaces



How is it possible to **obtain a reference** to a JDBC service provider (driver)?

- At some point, the application wants to **obtain a reference to a specific provider**, so that that it can invoke JDBC functions.
- The method depends on the Java environment. You do not the same thing if you are in a **Java SE** or **Java EE** environment.

Java SE

java.sql.DriverManager

Java EE

java.sql.DataSource

Think "**explicit** class loading and connection URLs"

Think "managed resources and "dependency injection"



How do I **obtain a reference** to a JDBC service provider in **Java SE**?

- In Java SE, the **DriverManager** class addresses this need:
 - It is used by clients who use the API.
 - It is also used by drivers who implement the SPI.
- Think of it as a broker, or a registry, who puts clients and service providers in relation.
- As a client, I am explicitly loading JDBC drivers (1 or more).
- As a client, I am **explicitly** telling with which database I want to interact (via a URL). The URL is used both to find a proper driver and to establish a connection (e.g. hostname, port, etc.).



How do I **obtain a reference** to a JDBC service provider in **Java SE**?

- From the specifications: "Key **DriverManager** methods include: I. A service provider registers itself in the directory.
 - registerDriver this method adds a driver to the set of available drivers and is invoked implicitly when the driver is loaded. The registerDriver method is typically called by the static initializer provided by each driver.
 - getConnection the method the JDBC client invokes to establish a connection. The invocation includes a JDBC URL, which the DriverManager passes to each driver in its list until it finds one whose Driver.connect method recognizes the URL. That driver returns a Connection object to the DriverManager, which in turn passes it to the application."

2. A client looks for a service provider in the directory.

Used by **SPI** implementations

Used by **API** clients



How do I **obtain a reference** to a JDBC service provider in **Java SE**?

Client

```
Class.forName("ch.heigdb.HeigDbDriver");
DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:heigdb://localhost:2205");
```

JDBC Service (provided by JRE)

java.sql.DriverManager
registerDriver(Driver driver)
Connection getConnection(String url)

JDBC HeigDB driver

```
public class HeigDbDriver implements java.sql.Driver {
    static {
        DriverManager.registerDriver(new SomeDriver());
    }
    public boolean acceptsURL(String url) {};
    public Connection connect(String url, Properties p) {};
}
```

- Load a class
- "Find a SPI provider that will connect me to this DB"

- "I am an SPI provider"
- "Can you connect me with this DB?"
- "Connect me with this DB"



How do I **obtain a reference** to a JDBC service provider in **Java EE**?

- In Java EE, the **DataSource** interface is used for managing DB connections.
 - It is used by **application components** (servlets, EJBs, etc.) to obtain a connection to a database.
 - It is also used by **system administrators**, who define the **mapping** between a logical data source name and a concrete database system (by configuration).
- As a developer, I am only using a logical name and I know that it will be bound to a specific system at runtime (but I don't care which...).
- As a developer, I obtain a DataSource either by doing a JNDI lookup or via dependency injection (with annotations).



How do I **obtain a reference** to a JDBC service provider in Java EE?

Client

```
Context ctx = new InitialContext();
DataSource ds = (DataSource)ctx.lookup("jdbc/theAppDatabase");
```

OR

- @Resource(lookup="jdbc/theAppDatabase") 3 DataSource ds;
- ds.getConnection();

JDBC Service (provided by Java EE)

java.sql.DataSource

mysql-connector-java-5.1.33.jar





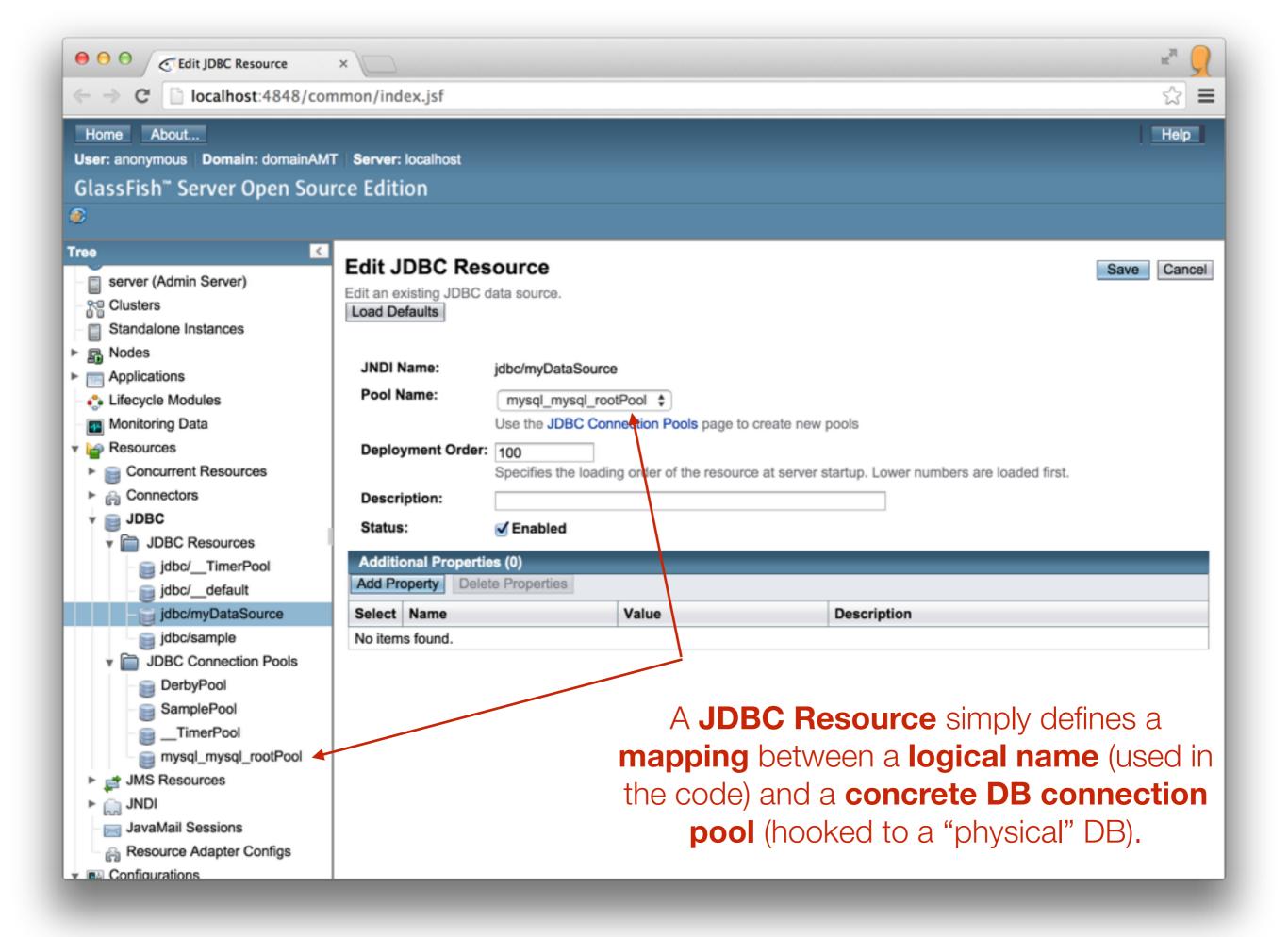


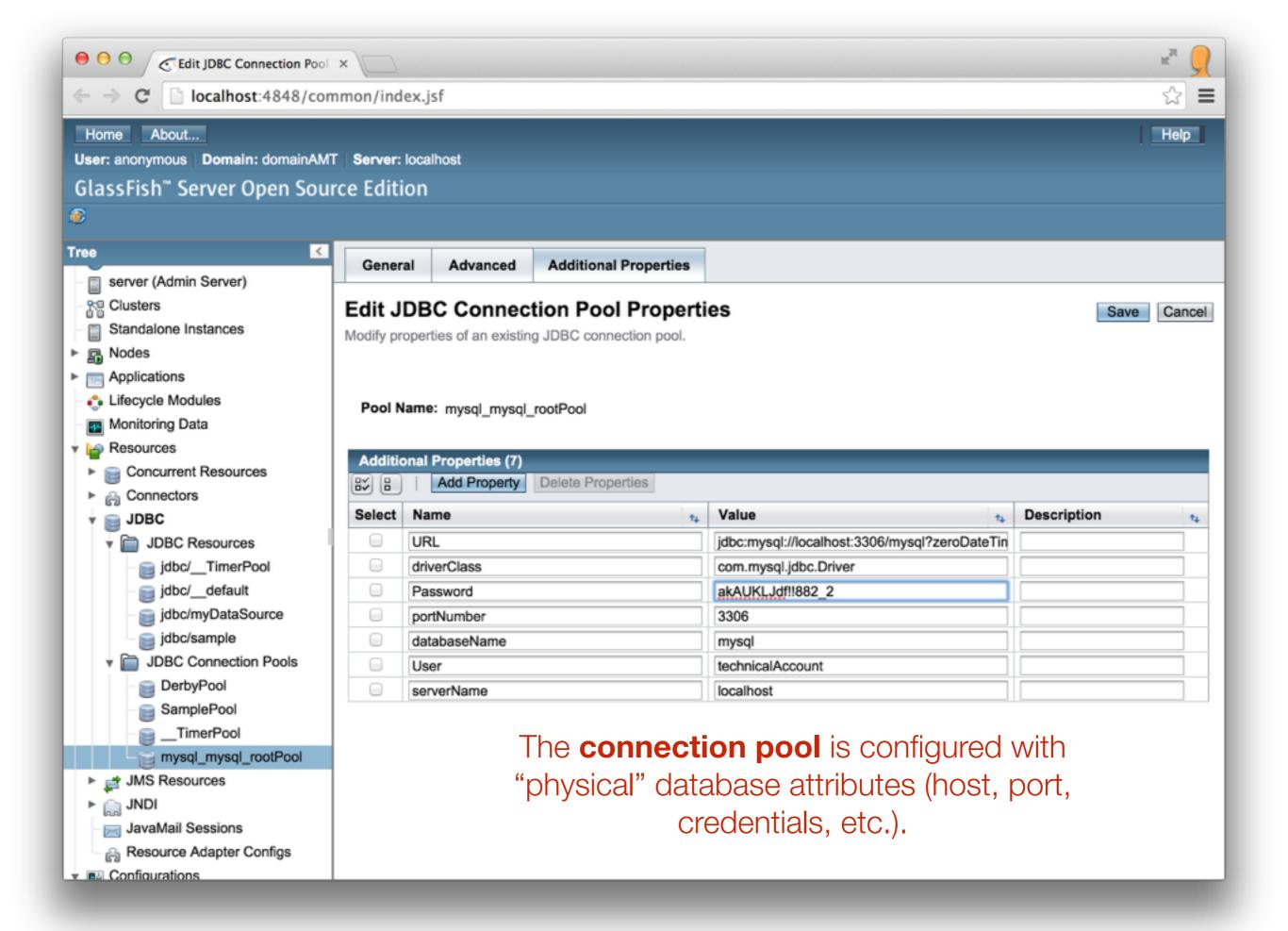


Install a **driver** (.jar file) in the app server (/lib/)

source...

Create a (logical) data ... and map it to a (physical) connection pool







What are some of the key JDBC interfaces and classes?

DriverManager

DataSource

XADataSource

Connection

PreparedStatement

ResultSet

ResultSetMetaData

- •DriverManager and DataSource variations provide a means to obtain a Connection.
- •XADataSource is used for distributed transactions.
- •Once you have a **Connection**, you can submit SQL queries to the database.
- •The most common way to do that is to create a **PreparedStatement** (rather than a **Statement**, which is useful for DDL commands).
- The response is either a number (number of rows modified by an UPDATE or DELETE query), or a ResultSet (which is a tabular data set).
- •ResultSetMetadata is a way to obtain information about the returned data set (column names, etc.).



How do I use these classes in my code?

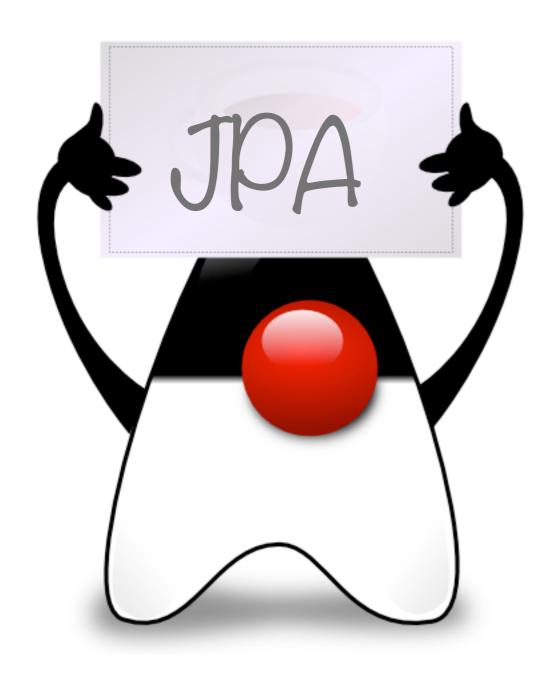
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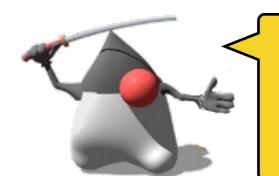
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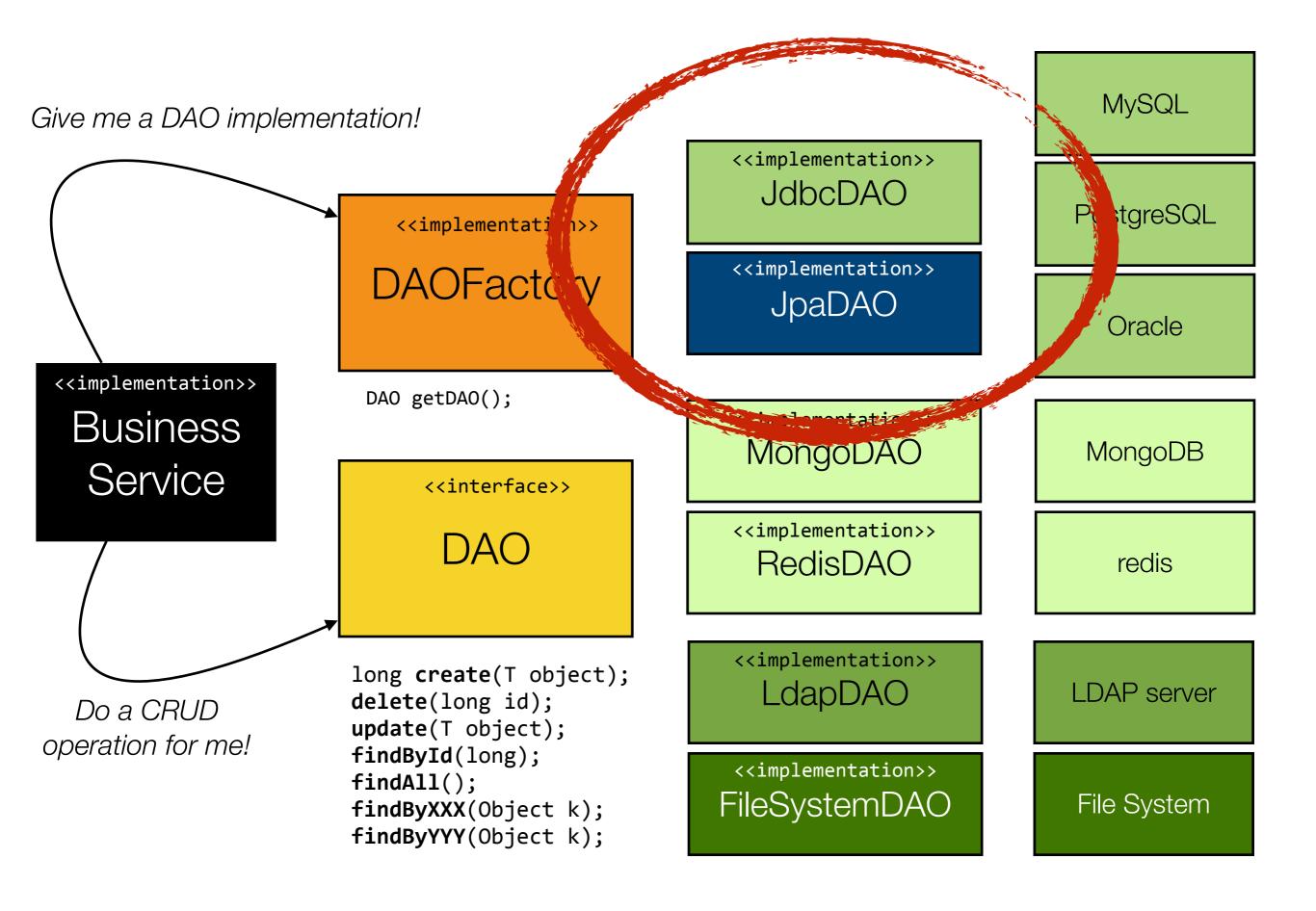


Java Persistence API (JPA)



Foreword

- Today, we will introduce the JPA API and related concepts.
- Some of them will be presented quite quickly, as we do not need them to complete the first JPA lab.
- In **future lectures**, we will come back and look at the details of transactions, associations, JPQL queries, etc.
- The objectives after today's lecture are:
 - to be able to implement a simple JPA entity (without associations)
 - to be able to inject and use an EntityManager in a DAO, in order to create, update, delete and find information in the database.
 - to write simple JQPL queries in the entity class, in order to write the finder methods.





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```

The name, beanName and

mappedName annotation

attributes have different purposes.



What is **JPA**?

- JPA is a standard API for accessing RDMS from Java applications.
- JPA is a higher-level API than JDBC and is based on Object-Relational Mapping (ORM).
- When you use JPA, you do not have to write all SQL queries sent to the database. They are automatically generated by the JPA implementation.
- Java Persistence API was originally specified in JSR 220 (JPA 2.0 in JSR 317, JPA 2.1 in JSR 338).
- JPA is part of Java EE. This means that every compliant application server has to provide a JPA implementation.
- Historically, the design of JPA was greatly influenced by the **Hibernate framework**. Hibernate is one of the most popular JPA implementations (and provides features that are outside the scope of the specifications).

With JPA, you define an object-oriented domain model. You work with business objects, specify relationships between them.

You live in the wonderful world of objects.

And you let JPA handle the interactions with the database. The schema can be generated automatically, the SQL queries as well.



How do we move between the world of **objects** and the world of **relations**?

```
public interface ICustomer {
  public String getFirstName();
 public String getLastName();
  public List<Order> getOrders();
public interface IOrder {
  public ICustomer getCustomer();
 public List<OrderLine> getLines();
  public double getTotal();
public interface IOrderLine {
 public Order getOrder();
 public double getUnitPrice();
 public double getQuantity();
 public double getItemRef();
```

Customer customer = CustomersManager.findById(101);
customer.getOrders().get(0).getLines().get(0).getItemRef();

CUSTOMER

ID	FIRSTNAME	LASTNAME	EMAIL
101	Olivier	Liechti	x.x@x.com
102	John	Doe	j.d@x.com
103	Paul	Smith	p.s@x.com

ORDER

ID	CUST_ID	DATE	TOTAL	STATUS
10230	101	02.03.2014	122.30	SHIPPED
20983	101	13.06.2014	256.00	SHIPPED
22099	101	18.07.2014	78.50	SHIPPED

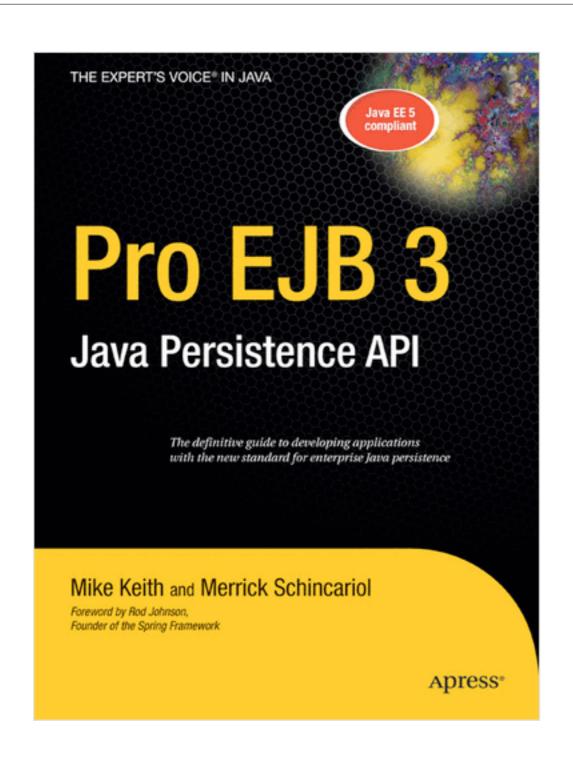
ORDERLINE

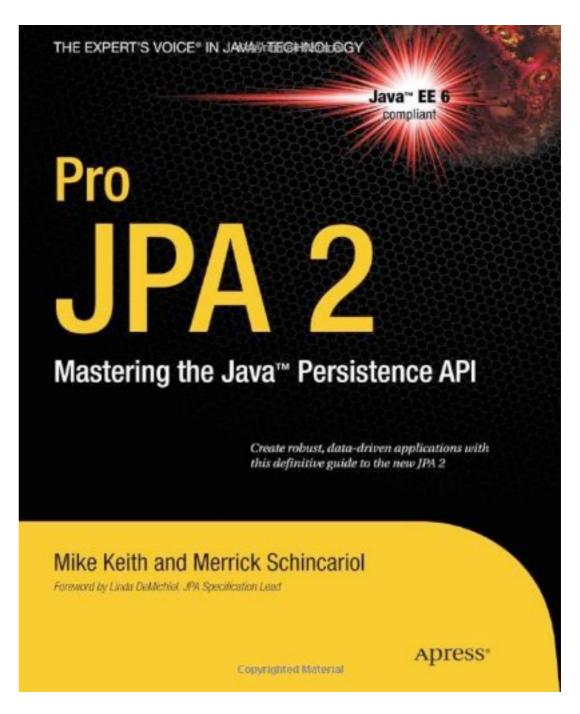
LIMIT 1

ID	ORDER_ID	ITEM	QTY	U.PRICE
89123	20983	989	1	56
89124	20983	123	1	100
89125	20983	223	4	25

SELECT ORDERLINE.ITEMREFERENCE
FROM CUSTOMER
INNER JOIN TABLE_ORDER on (TABLE_ORDER.CUSTOMER_ID = CUSTOMER.ID)
INNER JOIN ORDERLINE on (TABLE_ORDER.ID = ORDERLINE.ORDER_ID)
WHERE (CUSTOMER.ID = 101)

The JPA Bible







How do I use **JPA** in my application?

· Step 1 (static): you design your object-oriented domain model

- With JPA, every business object is defined as an "entity"
- Some coding conventions are defined for JPA entities
- The persistence properties and behavior are specified declaratively with special annotations (XML is also possible)
- · Step 2 (dynamic): you interact with a "persistence service"
 - The environment provides a "persistence service", that one can use to find, insert, update and delete business objects
 - JPA defines interfaces and classes for this "persistence service"
 - Note: JPA can be used in the EJB container, in the Web container, but also in Java SE applications!



How do I use **JPA** in my application?

```
@Entity
                                                          @Entity
public class Vehicle implements Serializable {
                                                          public class Trip implements Serializable {
  @Id
                                                            @Id
  private long id;
                                                            private long id;
 // properties, getters and setters
                                                            // properties, getters and setters
                                                            @ManyToOne
          @Entity
                                                            Driver driver;
          public class Driver implements Serializable {
                                                            @ManyToOne
            @Id
                                                            Vehicle vehicle;
            private long id;
            // properties, getters and setters
```

```
@Stateless
public class TripsManager {
    @PersistenceContext
    EntityManager em;

public long createTrip(Trip trip) {
    em.persist(trip);
    em.flush();
    return trip.getId();
}
```

```
INSERT INTO Trip (...) VALUES(...);
```

Java Persistence API



With JPA, like with other Java EE API, you can rely on **conventions**. You don't have to explicitly specify all aspects. If you don't, the **standard behavior** applies.

But you **stay in control**: if there is something that you don't like about the default behavior, you can change it with different annotations.



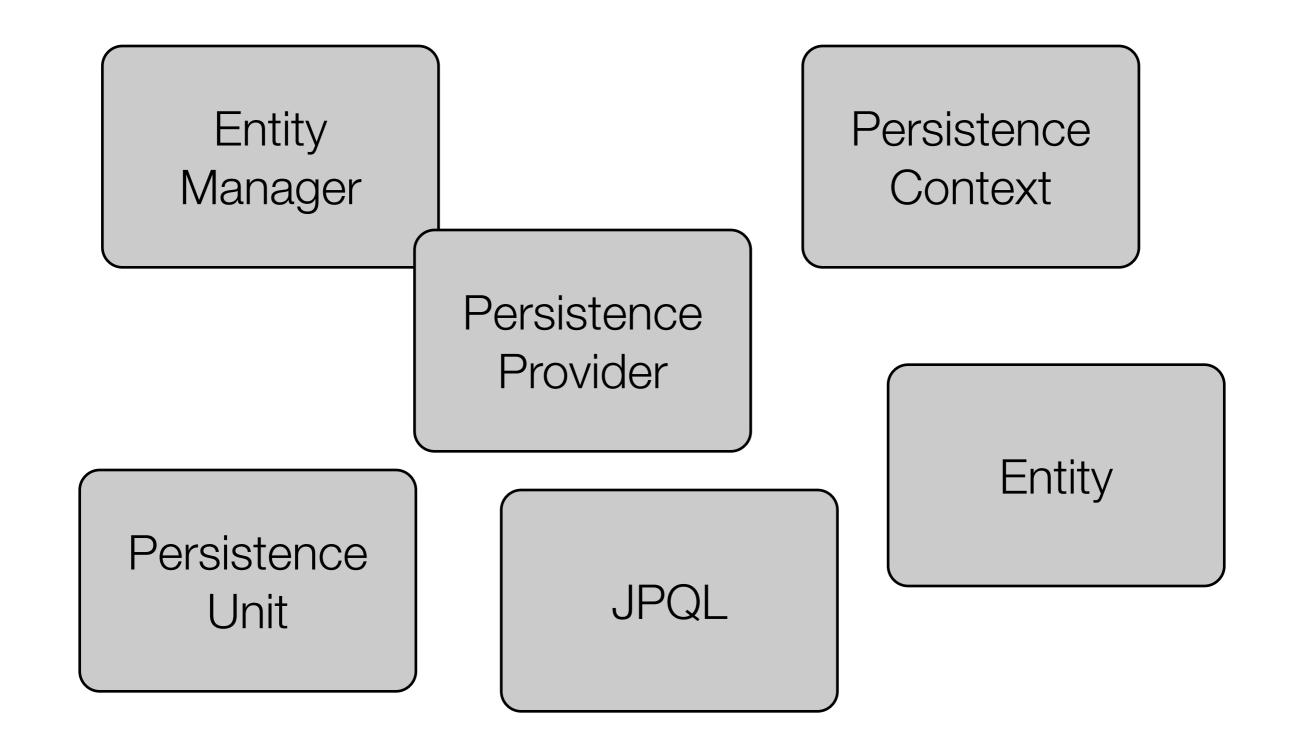
One frequent customization need arises when you have a business **entity name that collides with a SQL reserved word**. For instance, if you have a Role entity, MySQL will not allow you to create a table named Role. In that case, you will need to use the @Table(name="XXX") annotation.

If you start a project from scratch and do not have to use an existing database, you can **generate the schema** from the Java model. In general, specifying the OR mapping will be pretty easy...

If you have an **existing database schema**, then you will need fine control over the OR mapping. JPA gives you this control.

Abstractions defined in the JPA API





Persistence Provider



- A Persistence Provider is an implementation of the JPA API.
- EclipseLink and Hibernate are two examples of JPA Persistence Providers. EclipseLink is the one shipped with Glassfish.
- Persistence Providers are "pluggable". This means that if you use only standard JPA features, you can for example decide to switch from EclipseLink to Hibernate at some point (Remember SPI?)
- Many JPA Persistence Providers have been created on the basis of existing ORM solutions (Hibernate existed before JPA, TopLink as well).
- Many Persistence Providers give you access to non-standard features. You have to balance functionality with portability...

JPA entities



- Remember: it is not the same thing as a J2EE 1.x/2.x Entity Bean (EJB).
- It is a Plain Old Java Object (POJO).
- It does not need to extend any particular class, nor to implement any particular interface.
- This is important, because inheritance can be used to capture business domain relationships (vs. for technical reasons).
- It has a "persistent state", i.e. a set of attributes that should be saved in the persistent store.
- An entity can have relationships with other entities. Cardinality and navigability can be specified for every relationship.

```
@Entity ←
public class Student implements Serializable {
    private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;
    @Td ←
    @GeneratedValue(strategy = GenerationType.AUTO) 
    private Long id;
    private String firstName;
    private String lastName; <--</pre>
    public Long getId() {
        return id;
    }
    public void setId(Long id) {
        this.id = id;
    }
    public String getFirstName() {
        return firstName;
    }
    public void setFirstName(String firstName) {
        this.firstName = firstName;
    }
    public String getLastName() {
        return lastName;
    }
    public void setLastName(String lastName) {
        this.lastName = lastName;
```

This is an entity class

An entity needs a unique id There are different ways to generate these id values

The attributes will be automatically part of the "persistent state" for this entity.

If you do not want to persist a field, use the @Transient annotation

Requirement for a JPA Entity



- The class must be annotated with the javax.persistence.Entity annotation.
- The class must have a **public or protected, no-argument constructor**. The class may have other constructors.
- The class must not be declared final. No methods or persistent instance variables must be declared final.
- If an entity instance be passed by value as a detached object, such as through a session bean's remote business interface, the class must implement the **Serializable** interface.
- Entities may **extend** both entity and non-entity classes, and non-entity classes may extend entity classes.
- Persistent instance variables must be declared private, protected, or packageprivate, and can only be accessed directly by the entity class's methods. **Clients must access the entity's state through accessor or business methods**.

Entity Manager



- The Entity Manager is the interface to the "persistence service".
- In other words, it is through the Entity Manager that you:
 - retrieve and load information from the database
 - create new information in the database
 - delete data information the database

```
javax.persistence.EntityManager

<T> T find(Class<T> entityClass, Object primaryKey);
void persist(Object entity)
void remove(Object entity)
Query createNamedQuery(String name)
Query createNativeQuery(String sqlString)
...
```

Using the Entity Manager



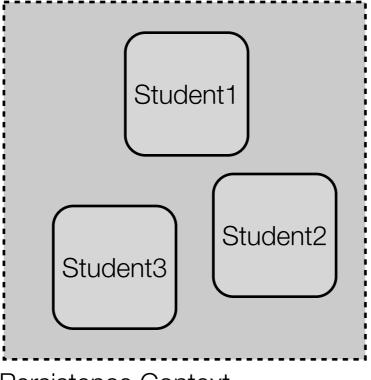
- You can use the Entity Manager in different types of components: EJBs, servlets, java applications, etc.
- Using the Entity Manager from **EJBs** is easy. You simply ask the container to inject a reference to the Entity Manager in a variable, with an annotation.
- Using the Entity Manager in the **web tier** requires some care to deal with concurrency (EntityManager is not thread-safe, EntityManagerFactory is thread-safe).

```
@Stateless
public class StudentsManagerBean implements StudentsManagerLocal {
    @PersistenceContext
    EntityManager em;
    public long createStudent(String firstName, String lastName) {
        Student student = new Student();
        student.setFirstName(firstName); student.setLastName(lastName);
        em.persist(student); em.flush();
        return student.getId();
    }
}
```

Persistence Context



- A Persistence Context is a set of entity instances at **runtime**.
- Think of a **temporary "bag" of objects** that come from the database, that are managed by JPA and that will go back to the database at some point.
 - If you modify the state of one of these objects, you don't have to save it explicitly. It will be persisted back automatically at commit time.
- Using the JPA API, you can manage the persistence context, populate it, etc.



Persistence Context

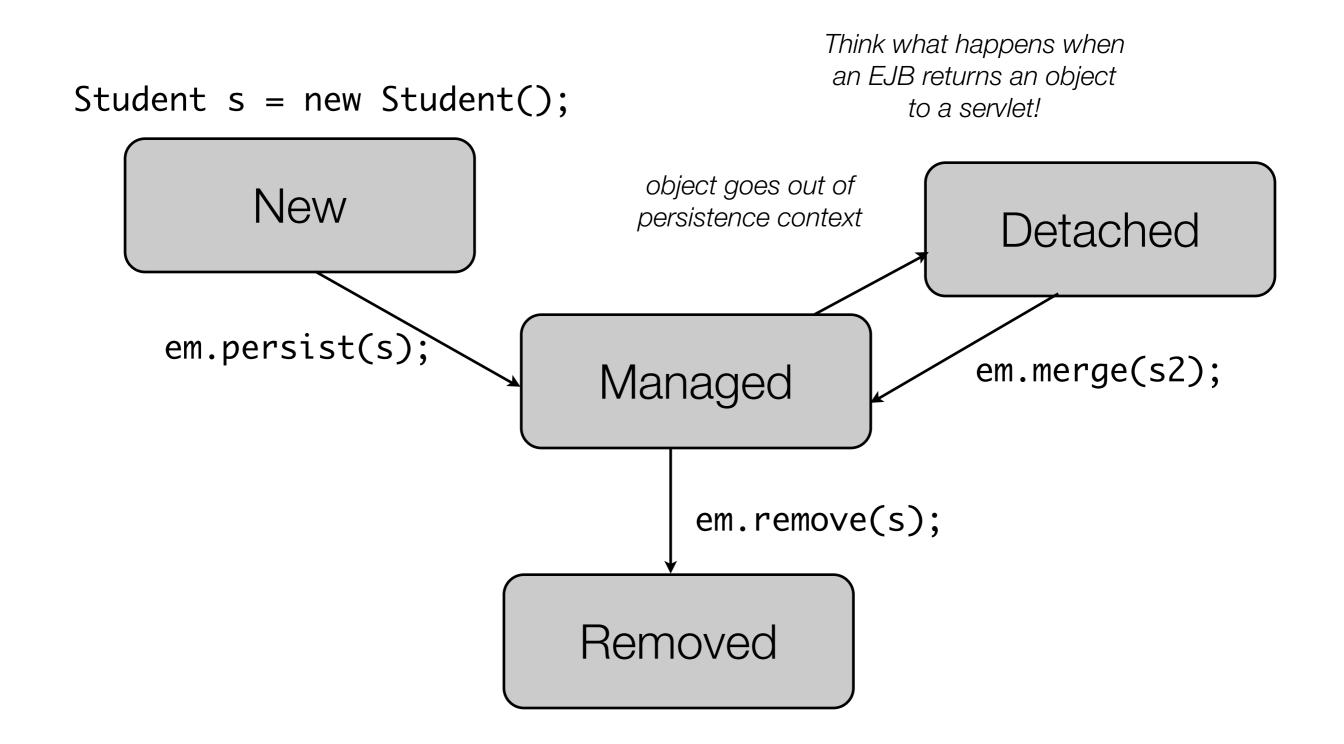
Persistence Context



- "A persistence context is a **set of managed entity instances** in which for any persistent entity identity there is a **unique entity instance**.
- Within the persistence context, the entity instances and their lifecycle are managed by the entity manager."
 - "A **new entity instance** has no persistent identity, and is not yet associated with a persistence context.
 - A managed entity instance is an instance with a persistent identity that is currently associated with a persistence context.
 - A detached entity instance is an instance with a persistent identity that is not (or no longer) associated with a persistence context.
 - A removed entity instance is an instance with a persistent identity, associated with a persistence context, that is scheduled for removal from the database."

Life-cycle for JPA Entities







When do objects enter and leave the persistence context?



The persistence context is **created** when **transaction** begins and is **flushed** when transaction commits (or rollbacks).



A **transaction** is started by the **EJB container** whenever a business method is called. It is committed by the container when it returns (or rollbacked if there is an exception).

```
@Stateless
public class Manager {

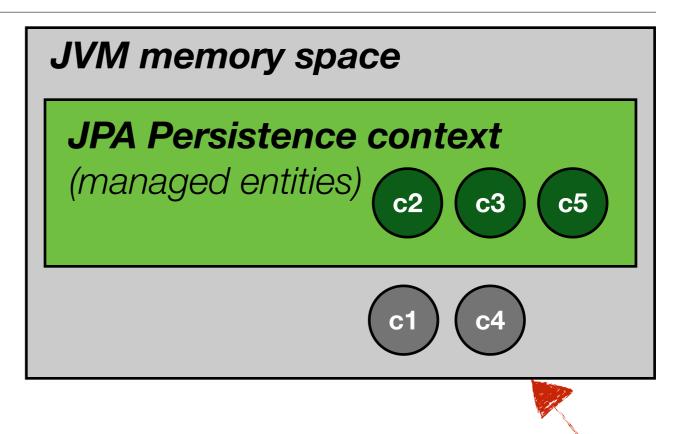
    @PersistenceContext
    EntityManager em;

public void businessMethod() {
    Customer c1 = new Customer();

    Customer c2 = new Customer();
    em.persist(c2);

    Customer c3 = em.find(123);

Customer c4 = new Customer(246, "john", "doe");
Customer c5 = em.merge(c4);
```



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Customer c1 = new Customer();



Creating a new instance of a JPA entity does not make it a managed object. At this stage, it is **a simple POJO** that is not linked to the DB (*)

Customer c2 = new Customer();
// c2 is not in persistence ctx



Calling em.persist(c2) brings c2 into the persistence context. From this point, JPA intercepts all calls made to c2. So, it knows when c2 is modified by a client (i.e. when it becomes "dirty").

em.persist(c2);
// c2 is in the persistence ctx



Note that at this stage, it is most likely that **nothing** has been written to the DB. SQL statements will only be issued when the transaction commits.

Customer c3 = em.find(123);



Calling **em.find(123)** issues a SELECT query to the DB. An entity is created with the result and is **brought into the persistence context**.

Customer c4 = new
 Customer(246, "john", "doe");
Customer c5 = em.merge(c4);





c4 is a simple POJO. When **em.merge(c4)** is invoked, a SELECT statement will be issued to retrieve a row where the primary key is equal to 246. A new entity is created and its properties are copied from c4 (to update the DB later on). **WARNING: c5** is in the persistence context, c4 is not!!

Persistence Context Types



- In Java EE, we typically use a transaction-scoped persistence context:
 - The client invokes a method on a Stateless Session Bean
 - The container intercepts a call and starts a transaction
 - The Stateless Session Bean uses JPA, a persistence context is created
 - Entities are loaded into the persistence context, modified, added, etc.
 - The method returns, the container commits the transaction
 - At this stage, entities in the persistence context are sent back to the DB.
- JPA also defines extended persistence context:
 - Entities remain managed as long as the Entity Manager lives
 - The JBoss SEAM framework uses extended persistence contexts: a persistence context lives during a whole "conversation".

Entity Relationships



- Cardinalities
 - one-to-one
 - one-to-many
 - many-to-many
 - many-to-one
- Bi-directional relationships
 - Warning: the developer is responsible for maintaining both "sides" of the relationship!
- Key questions
 - · loading behavior: eager vs. lazy

employee.setOffice(office);
office.setEmployee(employee);

cascading behavior: cascading or not? for what operations?



The developer has the responsibility to "wire" both sides of bi-directional relationships. You will forget to do that. You will not get an immediate error. You will see weird behavior and spend at least 2 hours debugging this.

Entity Relationships



```
@Entity public class Customer {
   @Id protected Long id;
   @OneToMany protected Set<Order> orders = new HashSet();
   @ManyToOne protected SalesRep rep;
   public Set<Order> getOrders() {return orders;}
   public SalesRep getSalesRep() {return rep;}
   public void setSalesRep(SalesRep rep) {this.rep = rep;}
@Entity public class SalesRep {
   @Id protected Long id;
   @OneToMany (mappedBy="rep")
   protected Set<Customer> customers = new HashSet();
   public Set<Customer> getCustomers() {return customers;}
   public void addCustomer(Customer customer) {
       getCustomers().add(customer);
       customer.setSalesRep(this);}
```

Entity Relationships



```
@Entity
                             @Entity
public class Customer {
                             public class Phone {
  @Id
                               @Id
  int id;
                                int id;
  @ManyToMany
                               @ManyToMany (mappedBy="phones"
  Collection<Phone> phones;
                               Collection<Customer> custs;
```





Persistence Unit



- The Persistence Unit defines a list of entity classes that "belong together".
- All entities in one Persistence Unit are stored in the same database.
- Persistence Units are declared in persistence.xml file, in the META-INF directory of your .jar file (it is possible to define several Persistence Units in the same xml file).

Java Persistence Query Language (JPQL) heig-vd Haute Ecole d'Ingénierie et de Gestio du Canton de Vaud

- SQL-like query language
- Includes constructs for exploiting the OR mapping. For instance, you can
 define polymorphic queries if you have defined inheritance relationships.

```
SELECT p
FROM Player p
WHERE p.position = :position AND p.name = :name
```

```
public List findWithName(String name) {
   return em.createQuery(
     "SELECT c FROM Customer c WHERE c.name LIKE :custName")
     .setParameter("custName", name)
     .setMaxResults(10)
     .getResultList();
}
```

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 You can group all your queries at the same place (vs. directly in the service method). Common practice is to use the @NamedQuery in the Entity Class source.

```
@NamedQuery(
name="findAllCustomersWithName",
query="SELECT c FROM Customer c WHERE c.name
LIKE :custName"
)
```

```
@PersistenceContext
public EntityManager em;
...
customers = em.createNamedQuery("findAllCustomersWithName")
.setParameter("custName", "Smith")
.getResultList();
```

heig-vd Summary Haute Ecole d'Ingénierie et de Gestion I am an interface that I am a set of entity instances, at runtime. components use to interact with the persistence service Often, I live as long as a (CRUD, queries) transaction. I do the work. I am the **Entity** Persistence implementation of the JPA Manager Context API. I am Toplink, Hibernate, etc. I am a business object, my state will be transparently Persistence I am a set of entity classes that are stored in a database. I am a mapped to a single database. An POJO. Provider EntityManager instance is bound to one persistence unit. I am defined in a persistence.xml file. **Entity**

Persistence Unit

JPQL

I am a query language and I look like SQL, but I provide some constructs that take advantage of the OR mapping (e.g. polymorphic queries)



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Java Reflection & JavaBeans

2 related questions / observations



Question 1: why do we write this **static block** and isn't it a **dirty hack**?

Client

Class.forName("ch.heigdb.HeigDbDriver");
DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:heigdb://localhost:2205");

JDBC Service

java.sql.DriverManager

JDBC HeigDB driver

```
public class HeigDbDriver implements java.sql.Driver {
    static {
        DriverManager.registerDriver(new SomeDriver());
    }
    public boolean acceptsURL(String url) {};
    public Connection connect(String url, Properties p) {};
}
```

Why don't we write something like:

```
HeigDbDriver driver = new HeigDbDriver();
driver.init();
```

```
public class HeigDbDriver implements java.sql.Driver {
   public void init() {
      DriverManager.registerDriver(new SomeDriver());
   }
   public boolean acceptsURL(String url) {};
   public Connection connect(String url, Properties p) {};
}
```

Why do we do that?



Question 2: JDBC is pretty straightforward, but... isn't it verbose and repetitive?

```
@Stateless
                                                               When I implement the UserDAO, the
public class SensorJdbcDAO implements SensorDAOLocal {
                                                               RoleDAO, the LocationDAO, will I need
                                                               to repeat all the code around those
 @Resource(lookup = "jdbc/AMTDatabase")
 private DataSource dataSource;
                                                                statements (boilerplate)?
public List<Sensor> findAll() {
                                                               Will I need to manually replace the table
   List<Sensor> result = new LinkedList<>();
   try {
                                                               and column names in each DAO?
     Connection con = dataSource.getConnection();
     PreparedStatement ps = con.prepareStatement("SELECT *
                                                          FROM Sensors");
     ResultSet rs = ps.executeQuery();
                                                               And when I maintain my application,
     while (rs.next()) {
                                                               what happens when a new property is
       Sensor sensor = new Sensor();
       sensor.setId(rs.getLong("ID"));
                                                               added? Do I have to update my DAO?
       sensor.setDescription(rs.getString("DESCRIPTION"));
       sensor.setType(rs.getString("TYPE"));
       result.add(sensor);
     ps.close();
     con.close();
   } catch (SQLException ex) {
      Logger.getLogger(SensorJdbcDAO.class.getName()).log(Level.SEVERE, null, ex);
   return result;
```



As a matter of fact, these 2 questions are closely related!

Answering the 1st question will give you a solution for the 2nd!



Let's compare two options carefully:



Client

Class.forName("ch.heigdb.HeigDbDriver");
DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:heigdb://localhost:2205");

Why don't we write something like:

HeigDbDriver driver = new HeigDbDriver();
driver.init();

ch.heigdb.HeigDbDriver is a string



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This means that I can **dynamically load** JDBC drivers, **without changing the code** of the client.

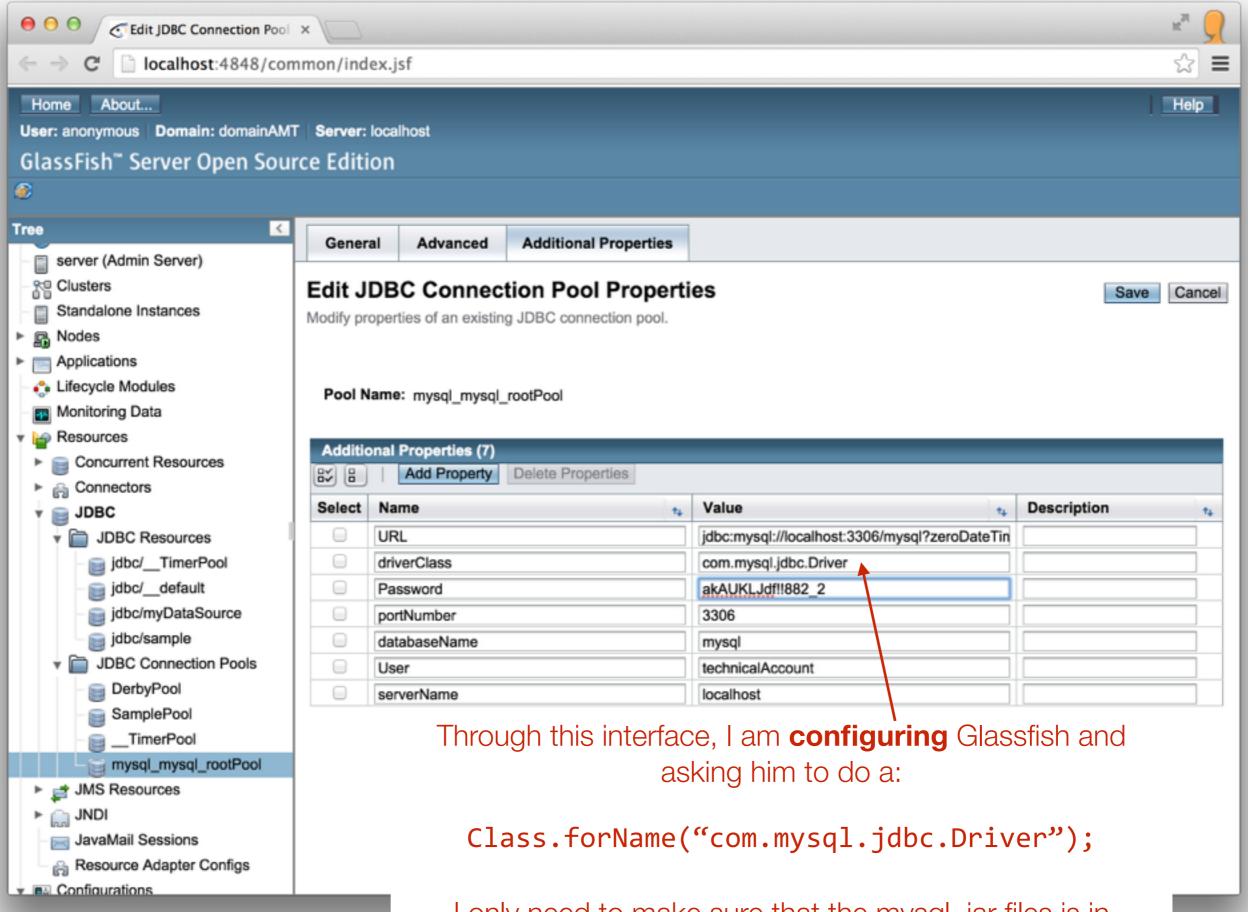
I only need to have the drivers **.jar files** in my class path and to **configure** my client.



This means that if I want to use another JDBC driver, then I need to **change the client code** and **recompile**.



Class.forName(String name) is part of the **Reflection API**, which allow us to write dynamic code in Java.



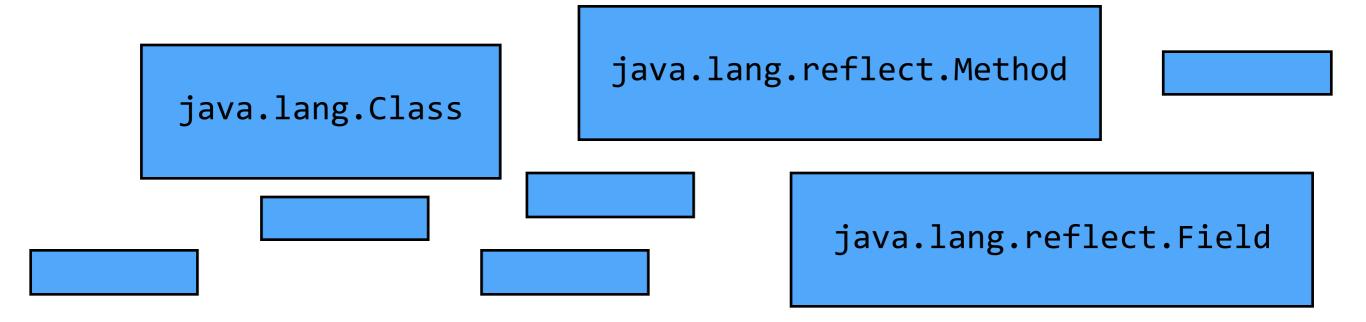
I only need to make sure that the mysql .jar files is in Glassfish's **classpath**

```
public class SensorJdbcDAO implements SensorDAOLocal Reflection sounds cool. Can't we use it to
                                              deal with JDBC in more generic ways?
     Connection con = dataSource.getConnection();
     PreparedStatement ps = con.prepareStatement("SELECT
     ResultSet rs = ps.executeQuery();
                                                         JDBC gives me metadata about
                                                                            the DB schema.
       Sensor sensor = new Sensor();
       sensor.setId(rs.getLong("ID"));
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                                                              Reflection gives me ways to
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       result.add(sensor);
                                                               dynamically find and invoke
                                                                 methods on Java objects.
                                                        Can we combine these features
     Logger.getLogger(SensorJdbcDAO.class.getName()).log(Level.SEVERE,to,make this code better?
```



What is the Java **Reflection** API?

- Reflection is a mechanism, through which a program can inspect and manipulate its structure and behavior at runtime.
- In Java, this means that a program can get information about classes, their fields, their methods, etc.
- In Java, this also means that a program can create instances of classes dynamically (based on their names, as in the example of JDBC drivers), invoke methods, etc.





Can you give me an example of **reflective code**?

 We can load class definitions and create instances, without hard-coding class names into Java identifiers:

```
Class dynamicManagerClass = Class.forName("ch.heigvd.amt.reflection.services.SensorsManager");
Object dynamicManager = dynamicManagerClass.newInstance();
```

For a class, we can get the list of methods and their signature:

```
Method[] methods = dynamicManagerClass.getMethods();

for (Method method : methods) {
  LOG.log(Level.INFO, "Method name: " + method.getName());

  Parameter[] parameters = method.getParameters();
  for (Parameter p : parameters) {
    LOG.log(Level.INFO, "p.getName()+ ":" + p.getType().getCanonicalName());
  }
}
```

We can dynamically invoke a method on an object:

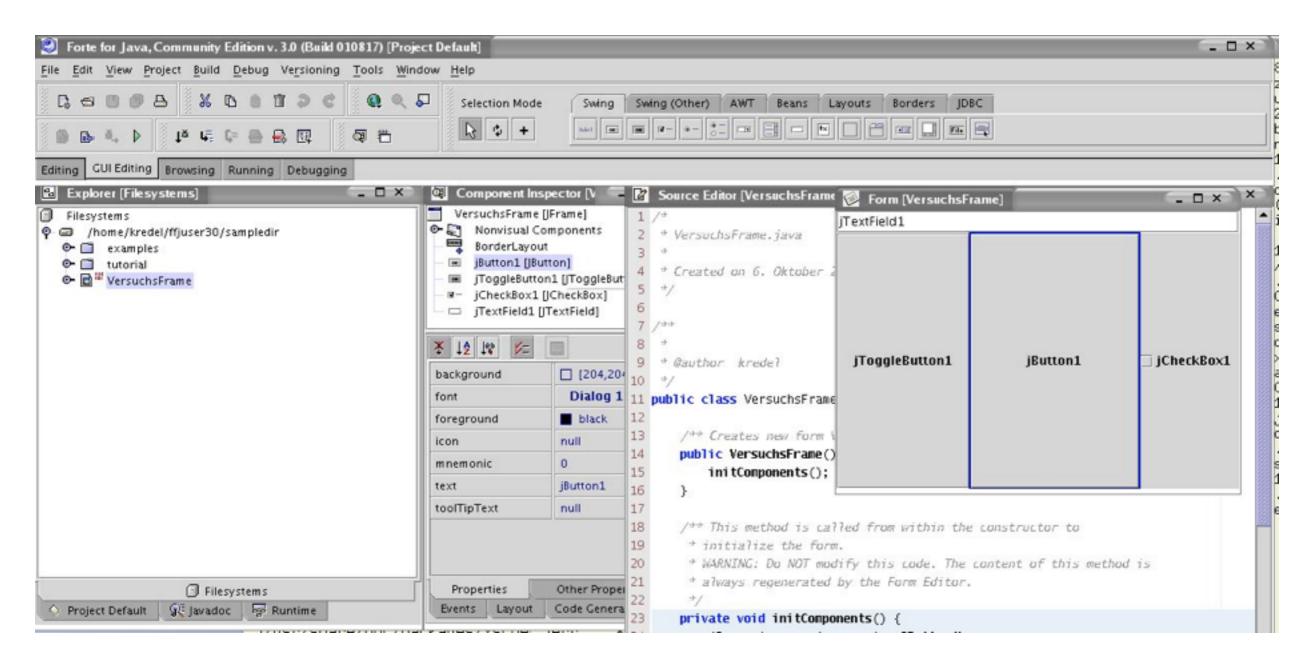
```
Method method = dynamicManagerClass.getMethod("generateSensors", int.class, String.class);
Object result = method.invoke(dynamicManager, 5, "hello");
```



What are **JavaBeans**?

- First of all, JavaBeans are **NOT** Enterprise Java Beans.
- The JavaBeans specification was proposed a very long time ago (1997) to enable the creation of **reusable components in Java**.
- One of the first use cases was to support the creation of WYSIWYG development tools. The programmer could drag and drop a GUI widget from a palette onto a window and edit its properties in a visual editor (think Visual Basic for Java).
- In this scenario, the GUI widgets would be packaged as
 JavaBeans by third-party vendors. The development tool would
 recognize them as such and would dynamically extend the
 palette of available components.





Forte for Java (aka Netbeans grand-father)



What are **JavaBeans**?

- Since then, JavaBeans have become **pervasive** in the Java Platform and are **used in many other scenarios**.
- This is particularly true in the Java EE Platform. Actually, you have already implemented JavaBeans without realizing it.
- While there are other aspects in the specification, the key elements are **coding conventions** that JavaBeans creators should respect:
 - 1. A JavaBean should have a public no-args constructor.
 - 2. A JavaBean should expose its properties via **getter** and **setter methods** with **well-defined names**.
 - 3. A JavaBean should be serializable.

```
public class Customer implements Serializable {
  public Customer() {}
  private String firstName;
  private String lastName;
  private boolean goodCustomer;
  public String getFirstName() {
    return firstName;
  public void setFirstName(String firstName) {
    this.firstName = firstName;
  public String getLastName() {
    return lastName;
  public void setLastName(String lastName) {
    this.lastName = lastName:
  public boolean isGoodCustomer() {
    return goodCustomer;
  public void setGoodCustomer(boolean goodCustomer) {
    this.goodCustomer = goodCustomer;
```

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There is a **specific convention** for writing getter methods for **boolean properties**.



What are **JavaBeans**?

- These coding and naming conventions make it easier to benefit from reflection in Java frameworks:
 - 1. The framework can use the **public no-args constructor** to **create instances** with Class.newInstance().
 - 2. The framework can easily find out which methods it should call (via reflection), based on a textual name. For instance, when a JSP page includes the string \${sensor.type}, the runtime knows that it must invoke a method named "get" + "Type".
 - 3. The **state of a JavaBean** can travel over the wire (for instance when it moves from a remote EJB container to a web container).

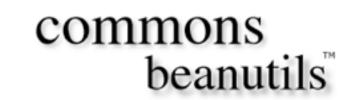


What should I be know if I plan to implement a framework with JavaBeans?

- With the naming conventions defined in the JavaBeans specification, combined with Java reflection, you can do pretty much everything yourself.
- Have a look at the java.beans package and at the Introspector class. You will have easy access to properties, getters and setters.
- You should be aware of the Apache Commons BeanUtils library that will make your life easier.

"The Java language provides **Reflection** and **Introspection** APIs (see the java.lang.reflect and java.beans packages in the JDK Javadocs). However, **these APIs can be quite complex** to understand and utilize. The BeanUtils component provides **easy-to-use wrappers** around these capabilities."







Back to the original question... How can I use reflection to make my JDBC code generic?

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```

Object-Relational Mapping in this example:

Table name = Class name + "s"
Column name = property name

Class names, property names, table names and column names do not have to be hard-coded.

What we need is a **mapping**. We can either rely on **conventions** or define it **explicitly**.

```
String entityName = "Semsor";
String className = "ch.heigvd.amt/lab1.model." + entityName;
String tableName = entityName + /s";
PreparedStatement ps = con.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM " + tableName);
ResultSet rs = ps.executeQuery();
Class entityClass = Class.forName(className);
PropertyDescriptor[] properties =
Introspector.getBeanInfo(entityClass).getPropertyDescriptors();
while (rs.next()) {
  Object entity;
  entity = entityClass.newInstance();
  for (PropertyDescriptor property : properties) {
    Method method = property.getWriteMethod();
    String columnName = property.getName();
    try {
      method.invoke(entity, rs.getObject(columnName));
    } catch (SQLException e) {
      LOG.warning("Could not retrieve value for property " + property.getName()
          + " in result set. " + e.getMessage());
  result.add(entity);
```

These mechanisms are used by people who build Object Relational Mapping (ORM) frameworks.

We will now look at one of them...





Appendix: script the setup of your Glassfish domains



Let's **automate** the creation and configuration of our Glassfish development domain

- Until today, we have used the default domain (domain1), created automagically at installation time.
- Some of you have already had issues with corrupted domains. They
 have used either Netbeans or the asadmin command line tool to
 delete the domain and recreate it.
- During the semester, we will **increasingly automate the build and deployment process** for our Java EE applications. We will start today.



1. We need a database! A clean database!

- Let's assume that we have installed MySQL on our development machine.
- We want to create a database for our application.
- We also want to **create a technical user**, with credentials, to establish communications between our application and MySQL.
- We have to make sure that the technical user has the permissions to work with our database.
- We do NOT want to do that manually. We want to write a script that does that, in an automated and repeatable way.



2. What do I need to do in MySQL?

When you write your script (for instance with **bash**), you will want to use **variables**. This is much better than repeating database or user names throughout the script.

```
DB_NAME=AMTDatabase
DB_TECHNICAL_USER=AMTTechnicalUser
DB_TECHNICAL_USER_PASSWORD=dUke!1400$
```

We can send MySQL commands from the script using separators (<<QUERY_INPUT)

```
mysql -u root -p <<QUERY_INPUT
DROP DATABASE $DB_NAME;
... (other mysql commands...)
QUERY_INPUT</pre>
```

In our current setup, we want to **start with a clean, fresh database**. So let's get rid of the previous one (it it exists), before creating a new one.

```
DROP DATABASE $DB_NAME;
CREATE DATABASE $DB_NAME;
```



2. What do I need to do in MySQL?

Once our database is created, let's **create a technical user**. MySQL is making a difference between a user who accesses the server from the same machine (localhost) and the same user who accesses the server from a remote machine.

```
DROP USER '$DB_TECHNICAL_USER'@'localhost';
DROP USER '$DB_TECHNICAL_USER'@'%';

CREATE USER '$DB_TECHNICAL_USER'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY
'$DB_TECHNICAL_USER_PASSWORD';

CREATE USER '$DB_TECHNICAL_USER'@'%' IDENTIFIED BY '$DB_TECHNICAL_USER_PASSWORD';
```

Finally, let's give **permissions** to the technical user to do whatever he wants we our new database.

```
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON $DB_NAME.* TO '$DB_TECHNICAL_USER'@'localhost';
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON $DB_NAME.* TO '$DB_TECHNICAL_USER'@'%';
```



3. What do I need to do in Glassfish?

The first thing is to (re)create a fresh domain, from scratch. But since we may already have one, we first need to stop and delete it. Let's use the **asadmin** command for that.

```
DOMAIN_NAME=domainAMT
```

```
asadmin stop-domain $DOMAIN_NAME
asadmin delete-domain $DOMAIN_NAME
asadmin create-domain --nopassword=true $DOMAIN_NAME
```

The applications deployed in our domain will want to connect to our MySQL database. For that purpose, we need to **copy the MySQL jdbc driver** into the **lib folder**, under our new **domain folder**.

```
cp mysql-connector-java-5.1.33-bin.jar ../domains/$DOMAIN_NAME/lib
```



3. What do I need to do in Glassfish?

Now that we are done with the basic domain setup, we can **start** it.

```
asadmin start-domain $DOMAIN_NAME
```

The last thing that we need for now, is to add a **jdbc connection pool** and a **jdbc resource** in our domain. Of course, **asadmin** provides a way to do that.

```
asadmin create-jdbc-connection-pool \
    --restype=javax.sql.XADataSource \
    --datasourceclassname=com.mysql.jdbc.jdbc2.optional.MysqlXADataSource \
    --property User=$DB_TECHNICAL_USER:Password=

$DB_TECHNICAL_USER_PASSWORD:serverName=localhost:portNumber=3306:databaseName=
$DB_NAME $JDBC_CONNECTION_POOL_NAME
```

```
./asadmin create-jdbc-resource --connectionpoolid $JDBC_CONNECTION_POOL_NAME
$JDBC_JNDI_NAME
```

We can even use asadmin to **ping** our database and validate our setup.

```
asadmin ping-connection-pool $JDBC_CONNECTION_POOL_NAME
```



4. What if I want to **feed the DB**?

In some cases, it's interesting to already **create tables and rows** in the script (makes testing easier during development):

```
USE $DB_NAME;
CREATE TABLE \'sensors\' (
   \'id\' int(11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
   \'description\' tinytext NOT NULL,
   \'type\' tinytext NOT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY (\'id\'),
   UNIQUE KEY \'id\' (\'id\')
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=latin1 AUTO_INCREMENT=1;

INSERT INTO \'sensors\' (\'id\', \'description\', \'type\') VALUES (NULL, 'ROOM_1', 'TEMPERATURE');
INSERT INTO \'sensors\' (\'id\', \'description\', \'type\') VALUES (NULL, 'ROOM_2', 'TEMPERATURE');
INSERT INTO \'sensors\' (\'id\', \'description\', \'type\') VALUES (NULL, 'ROOM_31', 'TEMPERATURE');
INSERT INTO \'sensors\' (\'id\', \'description\', \'type\') VALUES (NULL, 'CAR_12', 'SPEED');
INSERT INTO \'sensors\' (\'id\', \'description\', \'type\') VALUES (NULL, 'CAR_99', 'SPEED');
```



To validate your script, you should...

- Run your script several times in a row, without any error.
- Check the state of the domain in the web console:

