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# Chapter 1 Introduction

This document is the specification of the Java API for the management of persistence and object/relational mapping with Java EE and Java SE. The technical objective of this work is to provide an object/relational mapping facility for the Java application developer using a Java domain model to manage a relational database.

The Java Persistence 2.0 specification addresses improvements in the areas of domain modeling, object/relational mapping, EntityManager and Query interfaces, and the Java Persistence query language. It adds an API for criteria queries, a metamodel API, and support for validation.

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#### 1.2 Document Conventions

The regular Times font is used for information that is prescriptive by this specification.

The italic Times font is used for paragraphs that contain descriptive information, such as notes describing typical use, or notes clarifying the text with prescriptive specification.

The Courier font is used for code examples.

The Helvetica font is used to specify the BNF of the Java Persistence query language.

This document is written in terms of the use of Java language metadata annotations. An XML descriptor (as specified in Chapter 12) may be used as an alternative to annotations or to augment or override annotations. The elements of this descriptor mirror the annotations and have the same semantics. When semantic requirements are written in terms of annotations, it should be understood that the same semantics apply when the XML descriptor is used as an alternative.

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# Chapter 2 Entities

An entity is a lightweight persistent domain object.

The primary programming artifact is the entity class. An entity class may make use of auxiliary classes that serve as helper classes or that are used to represent the state of the entity.

This chapter describes requirements on entity classes and instances.

# 2.1 The Entity Class

The entity class must be annotated with the Entity annotation or denoted in the XML descriptor as an entity.

The entity class must have a no-arg constructor. The entity class may have other constructors as well. The no-arg constructor must be public or protected.

The entity class must be a top-level class. An enum or interface must not be designated as an entity.

The entity class must not be final. No methods or persistent instance variables of the entity class may be final.

If an entity instance is to be passed by value as a detached object (e.g., through a remote interface), the entity class must implement the Serializable interface.

Entities support inheritance, polymorphic associations, and polymorphic queries.

Both abstract and concrete classes can be entities. Entities may extend non-entity classes as well as entity classes, and non-entity classes may extend entity classes.

The persistent state of an entity is represented by instance variables, which may correspond to Java-Beans properties. An instance variable must be directly accessed only from within the methods of the entity by the entity instance itself. Instance variables must not be accessed by clients of the entity. The state of the entity is available to clients only through the entity's methods—i.e., accessor methods (getter/setter methods) or other business methods.

### 2.2 Persistent Fields and Properties

The persistent state of an entity is accessed by the persistence provider runtime<sup>[1]</sup> either via JavaBeans style property accessors ("property access") or via instance variables ("field access"). Whether persistent properties or persistent fields or a combination of the two is used for the provider's access to a given class or entity hierarchy is determined as described in Section 2.3, "Access Type".

Terminology Note: The persistent fields and properties of an entity class are generically referred to in this document as the "attributes" of the class.

The instance variables of a class must be private, protected, or package visibility independent of whether field access or property access is used. When property access is used, the property accessor methods must be public or protected.

It is required that the entity class follow the method signature conventions for JavaBeans read/write properties (as defined by the JavaBeans Introspector class) for persistent properties when property access is used.

In this case, for every persistent property *property* of type T of the entity, there is a getter method, *get-Property*, and setter method *setProperty*. For boolean properties, *isProperty* may be used as an alternative name for the getter method. [2]

For single-valued persistent properties, these method signatures are:

- T getProperty()
- void setProperty(T t)

<sup>[1]</sup> The term "persistence provider runtime" refers to the runtime environment of the persistence implementation. In Java EE environments, this may be the Java EE container or a third-party persistence provider implementation integrated with it.

<sup>[2]</sup> Specifically, if getX is the name of the getter method and setX is the name of the setter method, where X is a string, the name of the persistent property is defined by the result of java.beans.Introspector.decapitalize(X).

Collection-valued persistent fields and properties must be defined in terms of one of the following collection-valued interfaces regardless of whether the entity class otherwise adheres to the JavaBeans method conventions noted above and whether field or property access is used: java.util.Collection, java.util.Set, java.util.List<sup>[3]</sup>, java.util.Map. The collection implementation type may be used by the application to initialize fields or properties before the entity is made persistent. Once the entity becomes managed (or detached), subsequent access must be through the interface type.

Terminology Note: The terms "collection" and "collection-valued" are used in this specification to denote any of the above types unless further qualified. In cases where a java.util.Collection type (or one of its subtypes) is to be distinguished, the type is identified as such. The terms "map" and "map collection" are used to apply to a collection of type java.util.Map when a collection of type java.util.Map needs to be distinguished as such.

For collection-valued persistent properties, type *T* must be one of these collection interface types in the method signatures above. Use of the generic variants of these collection types is encouraged (for example, Set<Order>).

In addition to returning and setting the persistent state of the instance, property accessor methods may contain other business logic as well, for example, to perform validation. The persistence provider runtime executes this logic when property-based access is used.

Caution should be exercised in adding business logic to the accessor methods when property access is used. The order in which the persistence provider runtime calls these methods when loading or storing persistent state is not defined. Logic contained in such methods therefore should not rely upon a specific invocation order.

If property access is used and lazy fetching is specified, portable applications should not directly access the entity state underlying the property methods of managed instances until after it has been fetched by the persistence provider.<sup>[4]</sup>

Runtime exceptions thrown by property accessor methods cause the current transaction to be marked for rollback. Exceptions thrown by such methods when used by the persistence runtime to load or store persistent state cause the persistence runtime to mark the current transaction for rollback and to throw a PersistenceException that wraps the application exception.

Entity subclasses may override the property accessor methods. However, portable applications must not override the object/relational mapping metadata that applies to the persistent fields or properties of entity superclasses.

<sup>[3]</sup> Portable applications should not expect the order of a list to be maintained across persistence contexts unless the OrderColumn construct is used or unless the OrderBy construct is used and the modifications to the list observe the specified ordering.

<sup>[4]</sup> Lazy fetching is a hint to the persistence provider and can be specified by means of the Basic, OneToOne, OneToMany, ManyToOne, ManyToMany, and ElementCollection annotations and their XML equivalents. See Chapter 11.

The persistent fields or properties of an entity may be of the following types: Java primitive types; java.lang.String; other Java serializable types (including wrappers of the primitive types, java.math.BigInteger, java.math.BigDecimal, java.util.Date, java.util.Calendar<sup>[5]</sup>, java.sql.Date, java.sql.Time, java.sql.Timestamp, byte[], Byte[], char[], Character[], and user-defined types that implement the Serializable interface); enums; entity types; collections of entity types; embeddable classes (see Section 2.5); collections of basic and embeddable types (see Section 2.6).

Object/relational mapping metadata may be specified to customize the object/relational mapping and the loading and storing of the entity state and relationships. See Chapter 11.

#### **2.2.1 Example**

```
@Entity
public class Customer implements Serializable {
  private Long id;
  private String name;
  private Address address;
  private Collection<Order> orders = new HashSet();
  private Set<PhoneNumber> phones = new HashSet();
  // No-arg constructor
  public Customer() {}
         // property access is used
  public Long getId() {
    return id;
  public void setId(Long id) {
    this.id = id;
  public String getName() {
    return name;
  public void setName(String name) {
    this.name = name;
  public Address getAddress() {
    return address;
  public void setAddress(Address address) {
    this.address = address;
```

<sup>[5]</sup> Note that an instance of Calendar must be fully initialized for the type that it is mapped to.

```
@OneToMany
public Collection<Order> getOrders() {
    return orders;
}

public void setOrders(Collection<Order> orders) {
    this.orders = orders;
}

@ManyToMany
public Set<PhoneNumber> getPhones() {
    return phones;
}

public void setPhones(Set<PhoneNumber> phones) {
    this.phones = phones;
}

// Business method to add a phone number to the customer
public void addPhone(PhoneNumber phone) {
    this.getPhones().add(phone);
    // Update the phone entity instance to refer to this customer
    phone.addCustomer(this);
}
```

### 2.3 Access Type

#### 2.3.1 Default Access Type

By default, a single access type (field or property access) applies to an entity hierarchy. The default access type of an entity hierarchy is determined by the placement of mapping annotations on the attributes of the entity classes and mapped superclasses of the entity hierarchy that do not explicitly specify an access type. An access type is explicitly specified by means of the Access annotation<sup>[6]</sup>, as described in section 2.3.2.

When annotations are used to define a default access type, the placement of the mapping annotations on either the persistent fields or persistent properties of the entity class specifies the access type as being either field- or property-based access respectively.

- When field-based access is used, the object/relational mapping annotations for the entity class
  annotate the instance variables, and the persistence provider runtime accesses instance variables directly. All non-transient instance variables that are not annotated with the Transient annotation are persistent.
- When property-based access is used, the object/relational mapping annotations for the entity class annotate the getter property accessors<sup>[7]</sup>, and the persistence provider runtime accesses

<sup>[6]</sup> The use of XML as an alternative and the interaction between Java language annotations and XML elements in defining default and explicit access types is described in Chapter 12.

persistent state via the property accessor methods. All properties not annotated with the Transient annotation are persistent.

 Mapping annotations must not be applied to fields or properties that are transient or Transient.

All such classes in the entity hierarchy whose access type is defaulted in this way must be consistent in their placement of annotations on either fields or properties, such that a single, consistent default access type applies within the hierarchy. Any embeddable classes used by such classes will have the same access type as the default access type of the hierarchy unless the Access annotation is specified as defined below.

It is an error if a default access type cannot be determined and an access type is not explicitly specified by means of annotations or the XML descriptor. The behavior of applications that mix the placement of annotations on fields and properties within an entity hierarchy without explicitly specifying the Access annotation is undefined.

#### **2.3.2** Explicit Access Type

An access type for an individual entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class can be specified for that class independent of the default for the entity hierarchy by means of the Access annotation applied to the class. This explicit access type specification does not affect the access type of other entity classes or mapped superclasses in the entity hierarchy. The following rules apply:

- When Access(FIELD) is applied to an entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class, mapping annotations may be placed on the instance variables of that class, and the persistence provider runtime accesses persistent state via the instance variables defined by the class. All non-transient instance variables that are not annotated with the Transient annotation are persistent. When Access(FIELD) is applied to such a class, it is possible to selectively designate individual attributes within the class for property access. To specify a persistent property for access by the persistence provider runtime, that property must be designated Access(PROPERTY). [8] The behavior is undefined if mapping annotations are placed on any properties defined by the class for which Access(PROPERTY) is not specified. Persistent state inherited from superclasses is accessed in accordance with the access types of those superclasses.
- When Access (PROPERTY) is applied to an entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class, mapping annotations may be placed on the properties of that class, and the persistence provider runtime accesses persistent state via the properties defined by that class. All properties that are not annotated with the Transient annotation are persistent. When Access (PROPERTY) is applied to such a class, it is possible to selectively designate individual attributes within the class for instance variable access. To specify a persistent instance variable for access by the persistence provider runtime, that instance variable must be designated Access (FIELD). The behavior is undefined if mapping annotations are placed on any

<sup>[7]</sup> These annotations must not be applied to the setter methods.

<sup>[8]</sup> It is permitted (but redundant) to place Access(FIELD) on a persistent field whose class has field access type or Access(PROP-ERTY) on a persistent property whose class has property access type. It is not permitted to specify a field as Access(PROPERTY) or a property as Access(FIELD). Note that Access(PROPERTY) must not be placed on the setter methods.

instance variables defined by the class for which Access (FIELD) is not specified. Persistent state inherited from superclasses is accessed in accordance with the access types of those superclasses.

Note that when access types are combined within a class, the Transient annotation should be used to avoid duplicate persistent mappings.

#### 2.3.3 Access Type of an Embeddable Class

The access type of an embeddable class is determined by the access type of the entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class in which it is embedded (including as a member of an element collection) independent of whether the access type of the containing class has been explicitly specified or defaulted. A different access type for an embeddable class can be specified for that embeddable class by means of the Access annotation as described above.

#### 2.3.4 Defaulted Access Types of Embeddable Classes and Mapped Superclasses

Care must be exercised when defining an embeddable class or mapped superclass which is used both in a context of field access and in a context of property access and whose access type is not explicitly specified by means of the Access annotation or XML mapping file.

Such classes should be defined so that the number, names, and types of the resulting persistent attributes are identical, independent of the access type in use. The behavior of such classes whose attributes are not independent of access type is otherwise undefined with regard to use with the metamodel API if they occur in contexts of differing access types within the same persistence unit.

# 2.4 Primary Keys and Entity Identity

Every entity must have a primary key.

The primary key must be defined on the entity class that is the root of the entity hierarchy or on a mapped superclass that is a (direct or indirect) superclass of all entity classes in the entity hierarchy. The primary key must be defined exactly once in an entity hierarchy.

A primary key corresponds to one or more fields or properties ("attributes") of the entity class.

- A simple (i.e., non-composite) primary key must correspond to a single persistent field or
  property of the entity class. The Id annotation or id XML element must be used to denote a
  simple primary key. See Section 11.1.18.
- A composite primary key must correspond to either a single persistent field or property or to a
  set of such fields or properties as described below. A primary key class must be defined to represent a composite primary key. Composite primary keys typically arise when mapping from
  legacy databases when the database key is comprised of several columns. The EmbeddedId
  or IdClass annotation is used to denote a composite primary key. See Sections 11.1.15 and
  11.1.19.

A simple primary key or a field or property of a composite primary key should be one of the following types: any Java primitive type; any primitive wrapper type; java.lang.String; java.util.Date; java.sql.Date; java.math.BigDecimal; java.math.BigInteger.<sup>[9]</sup> If the primary key is a composite primary key derived from the primary key of another entity, the primary key may contain an attribute whose type is that of the primary key of the referenced entity as described in Section 2.4.1. Entities whose primary keys use types other than these will not be portable. If generated primary keys are used, only integral types will be portable. If java.util.Date is used as a primary key field or property, the temporal type should be specified as DATE.

The following rules apply for composite primary keys:

- The primary key class must be public and must have a public no-arg constructor.
- The access type (field- or property-based access) of a primary key class is determined by the access type of the entity for which it is the primary key unless the primary key is a embedded id and a different access type is specified. See Section 2.3, "Access Type".
- If property-based access is used, the properties of the primary key class must be public or protected.
- The primary key class must be serializable.
- The primary key class must define equals and hashCode methods. The semantics of value
  equality for these methods must be consistent with the database equality for the database types
  to which the key is mapped.
- A composite primary key must either be represented and mapped as an embeddable class (see Section 11.1.15, "EmbeddedId Annotation") or must be represented as an id class and mapped to multiple fields or properties of the entity class (see Section 11.1.19, "IdClass Annotation").
- If the composite primary key class is represented as an id class, the names of primary key
  fields or properties in the primary key class and those of the entity class to which the id class is
  mapped must correspond and their types must be the same.
- A primary key that corresponds to a derived identity must conform to the rules of Section 2.4.1.

The value of its primary key uniquely identifies an entity instance within a persistence context and to EntityManager operations as described in Chapter 3, "Entity Operations". The application must not change the value of the primary key<sup>[10]</sup>. The behavior is undefined if this occurs.<sup>[11]</sup>

<sup>[9]</sup> In general, however, approximate numeric types (e.g., floating point types) should never be used in primary keys.

<sup>[10]</sup> This includes not changing the value of a mutable type that is primary key or an attribute of a composite primary key.

<sup>[11]</sup> The implementation may, but is not required to, throw an exception. Portable applications must not rely on any such specific behavior.

### **2.4.1** Primary Keys Corresponding to Derived Identities

The identity of an entity may be derived from the identity of another entity (the "parent" entity) when the former entity (the "dependent" entity) is the owner of a many-to-one or one-to-one relationship to the parent entity and a foreign key maps the relationship from dependent to parent.

If a many-to-one or one-to-one entity relationship corresponds to a primary key attribute, the entity containing this relationship cannot be persisted without the relationship having been assigned an entity since the identity of the entity containing the relationship is derived from the referenced entity.<sup>[12]</sup>

Derived identities may be captured by means of simple primary keys or by means of composite primary keys as described in subsection 2.4.1.1 below.

If the dependent entity class has primary key attributes in addition to those corresponding to the parent's primary key or if the parent has a composite primary key, an embedded id or id class must be used to specify the primary key of the dependent entity. It is not necessary that parent entity and dependent entity both use embedded ids or both use id classes to represent composite primary keys when the parent has a composite key.

A dependent entity may have more than one parent entity.

#### 2.4.1.1 Specification of Derived Identities

If the dependent entity uses an id class to represent its primary key, one of the two following rules must be observed:

- The names of the attributes of the id class and the Id attributes of the dependent entity class must correspond as follows:
  - The Id attribute in the entity class and the corresponding attribute in the id class must have the same name.
  - If an Id attribute in the entity class is of basic type, the corresponding attribute in the id class must have the same type.
  - If an Id attribute in the entity is a many-to-one or one-to-one relationship to a parent entity, the corresponding attribute in the id class must be of the same Java type as the id class or embedded id of the parent entity (if the parent entity has a composite primary key) or the type of the Id attribute of the parent entity (if the parent entity has a simple primary key).
- If the dependent entity has a single primary key attribute (i.e., the relationship attribute), the id class specified by the dependent entity must be the same as the primary key class of the parent entity. The Id annotation is applied to the relationship to the parent entity. [13]

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<sup>[12]</sup> If the application does not set the primary key attribute corresponding to the relationship, the value of that attribute may not be available until after the entity has been flushed to the database.

<sup>[13]</sup> Note that it is correct to observe the first rule as an alternative in this case.

If the dependent entity uses an embedded id to represent its primary key, the attribute in the embedded id corresponding to the relationship attribute must be of the same type as the primary key of the parent entity and must be designated by the MapsId annotation applied to the relationship attribute. The value element of the MapsId annotation must be used to specify the name of the attribute within the embedded id to which the relationship attribute corresponds. If the embedded id of the dependent entity is of the same Java type as the primary key of the parent entity, the relationship attribute maps both the relationship to the parent and the primary key of the dependent entity, and in this case the MapsId annotation is specified without the value element.<sup>[14]</sup>

If the dependent entity has a single primary key attribute (i.e, the relationship attribute or an attribute that corresponds to the relationship attribute) and the primary key of the parent entity is a simple primary key, the primary key of the dependent entity is a simple primary key of the same type as that of the parent entity (and neither EmbeddedId nor IdClass is specified). In this case, either (1) the relationship attribute is annotated Id, or (2) a separate Id attribute is specified and the relationship attribute is annotated MapsId (and the value element of the MapsId annotation is not specified).

### 2.4.1.2 Mapping of Derived Identities

A primary key attribute that is derived from the identity of a parent entity is mapped by the corresponding relationship attribute. The default mapping for this relationship is as specified in section 2.10. In the case where a default mapping does not apply or where a default mapping is to be overridden, the JoinColumn or JoinColumns annotation is used on the relationship attribute.

If the dependent entity uses an embedded id to represent its primary key, the AttributeOverride annotation may be used to override the default mapping of embedded id attributes that do not correspond to the relationship attributes mapping the derived identity. The embedded id attributes that correspond to the relationship are treated by the provider as "read only"—that is, any updates to them on the part of the application are not propagated to the database.

If the dependent uses an id class, the Column annotation may be used to override the default mapping of Id attributes that are not relationship attributes.

#### 2.4.1.3 Examples of Derived Identities

#### Example 1:

The parent entity has a simple primary key:

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
   @Id long empId;
   String empName;
   ...
}
```

<sup>[14]</sup> Note that the parent's primary key might be represented as either an embedded id or as an id class.

```
Case (a): The dependent entity uses IdClass to represent a composite key:
public class DependentId {
   String name; // matches name of @Id attribute
   long emp; // matches name of @Id attribute and type of Employee PK
@Entity
@IdClass(DependentId.class)
public class Dependent {
  @Id String name;
  // id attribute mapped by join column default
  @Id @ManyToOne Employee emp;
Sample query:
SELECT d
FROM Dependent d
WHERE d.name = 'Joe' AND d.emp.empName = 'Sam'
Case(b): The dependent entity uses EmbeddedId to represent a composite key:
@Embeddable
public class DependentId {
  String name;
                 // corresponds to PK type of Employee
  long empPK;
@Entity
public class Dependent {
  @EmbeddedId DependentId id;
  // id attribute mapped by join column default
  @MapsId("empPK") // maps empPK attribute of embedded id
  @ManyToOne Employee emp;
Sample query:
SELECT d
FROM Dependent d
```

WHERE d.id.name = 'Joe' AND d.emp.empName = 'Sam'

#### Example 2:

```
The parent entity uses IdClass:
public class EmployeeId {
  String firstName;
  String lastName;
}
@Entity
@IdClass(EmployeeId.class)
public class Employee {
  @Id String firstName
  @Id String lastName
}
Case (a): The dependent entity uses IdClass:
public class DependentId {
   String name;
                     // matches name of attribute
   EmployeeId emp; //matches name of attribute and type of Employee PK
@Entity
@IdClass(DependentId.class)
public class Dependent {
  @Id String name;
  @Id
  @JoinColumns({
      @JoinColumn(name="FK1", referencedColumnName="firstName"),
@JoinColumn(name="FK2", referencedColumnName="lastName")
  })
  @ManyToOne Employee emp;
Sample query:
SELECT d
FROM Dependent d
WHERE d.name = 'Joe' AND d.emp.firstName = 'Sam'
```

Case (b): The dependent entity uses EmbeddedId. The type of the empPK attribute is the same as that of the primary key of Employee. The EmployeeId class needs to be annotated Embeddable or denoted as an embeddable class in the XML descriptor.

```
@Embeddable
public class DependentId {
   String name;
   EmployeeId empPK;
}
```

```
@Entity
public class Dependent {
  @EmbeddedId DependentId id;
  @MapsId("empPK")
  @JoinColumns({
      @JoinColumn(name="FK1", referencedColumnName="firstName"),
      @JoinColumn(name="FK2", referencedColumnName="lastName")
  @ManyToOne Employee emp;
Sample query:
SELECT d
FROM Dependent d
WHERE d.id.name = 'Joe' AND d.emp.firstName = 'Sam'
Note that the following alternative query will yield the same result:
SELECT d
FROM Dependent d
WHERE d.id.name = 'Joe' AND d.id.empPK.firstName = 'Sam'
Example 3:
The parent entity uses EmbeddedId:
@Embeddable
public class EmployeeId {
  String firstName;
  String lastName;
@Entity
public class Employee {
  @EmbeddedId EmployeeId empId;
}
Case (a): The dependent entity uses IdClass:
public class DependentId {
   String name;
                    // matches name of @Id attribute
   EmployeeId emp; // matches name of @Id attribute and type of embed-
ded id of Employee
```

```
@Entity
@IdClass(DependentId.class)
public class Dependent {
  @Column(name="dep_name") // default column name is overridden
  String name;
  @Id
  @JoinColumns({
       @JoinColumn(name="FK1", referencedColumnName="firstName"),
@JoinColumn(name="FK2", referencedColumnName="lastName")
  })
  @ManyToOne Employee emp;
}
Sample query:
SELECT d
FROM Dependent d
WHERE d.name = 'Joe' and d.emp.empId.firstName = 'Sam'
Case (b): The dependent entity uses EmbeddedId:
@Embeddable
public class DependentId {
  String name;
                       // corresponds to PK type of Employee
  EmployeeId empPK;
@Entity
public class Dependent {
  // default column name for "name" attribute is overridden
  @AttributeOverride(name="name", @Column(name="dep_name"))
  @EmbeddedId DependentId id;
  @MapsId("empPK")
  @JoinColumns({
       @JoinColumn(name="FK1", referencedColumnName="firstName"), @JoinColumn(name="FK2", referencedColumnName="lastName")
  @ManyToOne Employee emp;
Sample query:
SELECT d
FROM Dependent d
WHERE d.id.name = 'Joe' and d.emp.empId.firstName = 'Sam'
Note that the following alternative query will yield the same result:
SELECT d
FROM Dependent d
WHERE d.id.name = 'Joe' AND d.id.empPK.firstName = 'Sam'
```

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# The parent entity has a simple primary key:

```
@Entity
public class Person {
```

@Id String ssn;
...
}

Example 4:

Case (a): The dependent entity has a single primary key attribute which is mapped by the relationship attribute. The primary key of MedicalHistory is of type String.

```
@Entity
public class MedicalHistory {
    // default join column name is overridden
    @Id
    @OneToOne
    @JoinColumn(name="FK")
    Person patient;
    ...
}
Sample query:
SELECT m
FROM MedicalHistory m
WHERE m.patient.ssn = '123-45-6789'
```

Case (b): The dependent entity has a single primary key attribute corresponding to the relationship attribute. The primary key attribute is of the same basic type as the primary key of the parent entity. The Maps Id annotation applied to the relationship attribute indicates that the primary key is mapped by the relationship attribute. [15]

```
@Entity
public class MedicalHistory {
    @Id String id; // overriding not allowed
    ...
    // default join column name is overridden
    @MapsId
    @JoinColumn(name="FK")
    @OneToOne Person patient;
    ...
}
Sample query:
SELECT m
FROM MedicalHistory m WHERE m.patient.ssn = '123-45-6789'
```

<sup>[15]</sup> Note that the use of PrimaryKeyJoinColumn instead of MapsId would result in the same mapping in this example. Use of MapsId is preferred for the mapping of derived identities.

#### Example 5:

The parent entity uses IdClass. The dependent's primary key class is of same type as that of the parent entity.

```
public class PersonId {
   String firstName;
   String lastName;
@Entity
@IdClass(PersonId.class)
public class Person {
  @Id String firstName;
  @Id String lastName;
}
Case (a): The dependent entity uses IdClass:
@Entity
@IdClass(PersonId.class)
public class MedicalHistory {
  @JoinColumns({
       @JoinColumn(name="FK1", referencedColumnName="firstName"), @JoinColumn(name="FK2", referencedColumnName="lastName")
  @OneToOne
  Person patient;
Sample query:
SELECT m
FROM MedicalHistory m
```

Case (b): The dependent entity uses the EmbeddedId and MapsId annotations. The PersonId class needs to be annotated Embeddable or denoted as an embeddable class in the XML descriptor.

WHERE m.patient.firstName = 'Charles'

Sample query:

@Entity

@Id

})

@OneToOne
@JoinColumns({

Person patient;

@IdClass(PersonId.class)
public class MedicalHistory {

```
SELECT m
FROM MedicalHistory m
WHERE m.patient.firstName = 'Charles'
Note that the following alternative query will yield the same result:
SELECT m
FROM MedicalHistory {\tt m}
WHERE m.id.firstName = 'Charles'
Example 6:
The parent entity uses EmbeddedId. The dependent's primary key is of the same type as that of the
parent.
@Embeddable
public class PersonId {
   String firstName;
   String lastName;
@Entity
public class Person {
  @EmbeddedId PersonId id;
Case (a): The dependent class uses IdClass:
```

@JoinColumn(name="FK1", referencedColumnName="firstName"),
@JoinColumn(name="FK2", referencedColumnName="lastName")

Embeddable Classes

#### Case (b): The dependent class uses EmbeddedId:

```
@Entity
public class MedicalHistory {
    // All attributes are mapped by the relationship:
    // AttributeOverride is not allowed
    @EmbeddedId PersonId id;
    ...
    @MapsId
    @JoinColumns({
          @JoinColumn(name="FK1", referencedColumnName="firstName"),
          @JoinColumn(name="FK2", referencedColumnName="lastName")
    })
    @OneToOne
    Person patient;
    ...
}
```

#### 2.5 Embeddable Classes

An entity may use other fine-grained classes to represent entity state. Instances of these classes, unlike entity instances, do not have persistent identity of their own. Instead, they exist only as part of the state of the entity to which they belong. An entity may have collections of embeddables as well as single-valued embeddable attributes. Embeddables may also be used as map keys and map values. Embedded objects belong strictly to their owning entity, and are not sharable across persistent entities. Attempting to share an embedded object across entities has undefined semantics.

Embeddable classes must adhere to the requirements specified in Section 2.1 for entities with the exception that embeddable classes are not annotated as Embeddable classes must be annotated as Embeddable or denoted in the XML descriptor as such. The access type for an embedded object is determined as described in Section 2.3, "Access Type".

An embeddable class may be used to represent the state of another embeddable class.

An embeddable class (including an embeddable class within another embeddable class) may contain a collection of a basic type or other embeddable class.<sup>[16]</sup>

An embeddable class may contain a relationship to an entity or collection of entities. Since instances of embeddable classes themselves have no persistent identity, the relationship *from* the referenced entity is to the *entity* that contains the embeddable instance(s) and not to the embeddable itself.<sup>[17]</sup> An embeddable class that is used as an embedded id or as a map key must not contain such a relationship.

Additional requirements and restrictions on embeddable classes are described in Section 2.6.

<sup>[16]</sup> Direct or indirect circular containment dependencies among embeddable classes are not permitted.

<sup>[17]</sup> An entity cannot have a unidirectional relationship to the embeddable class of another entity (or itself).

### 2.6 Collections of Embeddable Classes and Basic Types

A persistent field or property of an entity or embeddable class may correspond to a collection of a basic type or embeddable class ("element collection"). Such a collection, when specified as such by the ElementCollection annotation, is mapped by means of a collection table, as defined in Section 11.1.8. If the ElementCollection annotation (or XML equivalent) is not specified for the collection-valued field or property, the rules of Section 2.8 apply.

An embeddable class (including an embeddable class within another embeddable class) that is contained within an element collection must not contain an element collection, nor may it contain a relationship to an entity other than a many-to-one or one-to-one relationship. The embeddable class must be on the owning side of such a relationship and the relationship must be mapped by a foreign key mapping. (See Section 2.9.)

### 2.7 Map Collections

Collections of elements and entity relationships can be represented as java.util.Map collections.

The map key and the map value independently can each be a basic type, an embeddable class, or an entity.

The ElementCollection, OneToMany, and ManyToMany annotations are used to specify the map as an element collection or entity relationship as follows: when the map value is a basic type or embeddable class, the ElementCollection annotation is used; when the map value is an entity, the OneToMany or ManyToMany annotation is used.

Bidirectional relationships represented as java.util.Map collections support the use of the Map datatype on one side of the relationship only.

#### **2.7.1 Map Keys**

If the map key type is a basic type, the MapKeyColumn annotation can be used to specify the column mapping for the map key. If the MapKeyColumn annotation is not specified, the default values of the MapKeyColumn annotation apply as described in section 11.1.29.

If the map key type is an embeddable class, the mappings for the map key columns are defaulted according to the default column mappings for the embeddable class. (See Section 11.1.9, "Column Annotation"). The AttributeOverride and AttributeOverrides annotations can be used to override these mappings, as described in sections 11.1.4 and 11.1.5. If an embeddable class is used as a map key, the embeddable class must implement the hashCode and equals methods consistently with the database columns to which the embeddable is mapped<sup>[18]</sup>.

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<sup>[18]</sup> Note that when an embeddable instance is used as a map key, these attributes represent its identity. Changes to embeddable instances used as map keys have undefined behaviour and should be avoided.

If the map key type is an entity, the MapKeyJoinColumn and MapKeyJoinColumns annotations are used to specify the column mappings for the map key. If the primary key of the referenced entity is a simple primary key and the MapKeyJoinColumn annotation is not specified, the default values of the MapKeyJoinColumn annotation apply as described in section 11.1.31.

If Java generic types are not used in the declaration of a relationship attribute of type java.util.Map, the MapKeyClass annotation must be used to specify the type of the key of the map.

The MapKey annotation is used to specify the special case where the map key is itself the primary key or a persistent field or property of the entity that is the value of the map. The MapKeyClass annotation is not used when MapKey is specified.

#### 2.7.2 Map Values

When the value type of the map is a basic type or an embeddable class, a collection table is used to map the map. If Java generic types are not used, the targetClass element of the ElementCollection annotation must be used to specify the value type for the map. The default column mappings for the map value are derived according to the default mapping rules for the CollectionTable annotation defined in section 11.1.8. The Column annotation is used to override these defaults for a map value of basic type. The AttributeOverride(s) and AssociationOverride(s) annotations are used to override the mappings for a map value that is an embeddable class.

When the value type of the map is an entity, a join table is used to map the map for a many-to-many relationship or, by default, for a one-to-many unidirectional relationship. If the relationship is a bidirectional one-to-many/many-to-one relationship, by default the map is mapped in the table of the entity that is the value of the map. If Java generic types are not used, the targetEntity element of the OneToMany or ManyToMany annotation must be used to specify the value type for the map. Default mappings are described in Section 2.10.

# 2.8 Mapping Defaults for Non-Relationship Fields or Properties

If a persistent field or property other than a relationship property is *not* annotated with one of the mapping annotations defined in Chapter 11 (or equivalent mapping information is not specified in the XML descriptor), the following default mapping rules are applied in order:

- If the type is a class that is annotated with the Embeddable annotation, it is mapped in the same way as if the field or property were annotated with the Embedded annotation. See Sections 11.1.13 and 11.1.14.
- If the type of the field or property is one of the following, it is mapped in the same way as it would if it were annotated as Basic: Java primitive types, wrappers of the primitive types, java.lang.String, java.math.BigInteger, java.math.BigDecimal, java.util.Date, java.util.Calendar, java.sql.Date, java.sql.Time, java.sql.Timestamp, byte[], Byte[], char[], Character[], enums, any other type that implements Serializable. See Sections 11.1.6, 11.1.16, 11.1.24, and 11.1.47.

It is an error if no annotation is present and none of the above rules apply.

### 2.9 Entity Relationships

Relationships among entities may be one-to-one, one-to-many, many-to-one, or many-to-many. Relationships are polymorphic.

If there is an association between two entities, one of the following relationship modeling annotations must be applied to the corresponding persistent property or field of the referencing entity: OneToOne, OneToMany, ManyToOne, ManyToMany. For associations that do not specify the target type (e.g., where Java generic types are not used for collections), it is necessary to specify the entity that is the target of the relationship. [19] Equivalent XML elements may be used as an alternative to these mapping annotations.

These annotations mirror common practice in relational database schema modeling. The use of the relationship modeling annotations allows the object/relationship mapping of associations to the relational database schema to be fully defaulted, to provide an ease-of-development facility. This is described in Section 2.10, "Relationship Mapping Defaults".

Relationships may be bidirectional or unidirectional. A bidirectional relationship has both an owning side and an inverse (non-owning) side. A unidirectional relationship has only an owning side. The owning side of a relationship determines the updates to the relationship in the database, as described in section 3.2.4.

The following rules apply to bidirectional relationships:

- The inverse side of a bidirectional relationship must refer to its owning side by use of the mappedBy element of the OneToOne, OneToMany, or ManyToMany annotation. The mappedBy element designates the property or field in the entity that is the owner of the relationship.
- The many side of one-to-many / many-to-one bidirectional relationships must be the owning side, hence the mappedBy element cannot be specified on the ManyToOne annotation.
- For one-to-one bidirectional relationships, the owning side corresponds to the side that contains the corresponding foreign key.
- For many-to-many bidirectional relationships either side may be the owning side.

The relationship modeling annotation constrains the use of the cascade=REMOVE specification. The cascade=REMOVE specification should only be applied to associations that are specified as One-ToOne or OneToMany. Applications that apply cascade=REMOVE to other associations are not portable.

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<sup>[19]</sup> For associations of type <code>java.util.Map</code>, <code>target type</code> refers to the type that is the Map <code>value</code>.

Associations that are specified as OneToOne or OneToMany support use of the orphanRemoval option. The following behaviors apply when orphanRemoval is in effect:

- If an entity that is the target of the relationship is removed from the relationship (by setting the relationship to null or removing the entity from the relationship collection), the remove operation will be applied to the entity being orphaned. The remove operation is applied at the time of the flush operation. The orphanRemoval functionality is intended for entities that are privately "owned" by their parent entity. Portable applications must otherwise not depend upon a specific order of removal, and must not reassign an entity that has been orphaned to another relationship or otherwise attempt to persist it. If the entity being orphaned is a detached, new, or removed entity, the semantics of orphanRemoval do not apply.
- If the remove operation is applied to a managed source entity, the remove operation will be cascaded to the relationship target in accordance with the rules of section 3.2.3, (and hence it is not necessary to specify cascade=REMOVE for the relationship)<sup>[20]</sup>.

Section 2.10, "Relationship Mapping Defaults", defines relationship mapping defaults for entity relationships. Additional mapping annotations (e.g., column and table mapping annotations) may be specified to override or further refine the default mappings and mapping strategies described in Section 2.10.

In addition, this specification also requires support for the following alternative mapping strategies:

- The mapping of unidirectional one-to-many relationships by means of foreign key mappings. The JoinColumn annotation or corresponding XML element must be used to specify such non-default mappings. See section 11.1.21.
- The mapping of unidirectional and bidirectional one-to-one relationships, bidirectional many-to-one/one-to-many relationships, and unidirectional many-to-one relationships by means of join table mappings. The JoinTable annotation or corresponding XML element must be used to specify such non-default mappings. See section 11.1.23.

Such schema-level mapping annotations must be specified on the owning side of the relationship. Any overriding of mapping defaults must be consistent with the relationship modeling annotation that is specified. For example, if a many-to-one relationship mapping is specified, it is not permitted to specify a unique key constraint on the foreign key for the relationship.

The persistence provider handles the object/relational mapping of the relationships, including their loading and storing to the database as specified in the metadata of the entity class, and the referential integrity of the relationships as specified in the database (e.g., by foreign key constraints).

Note that it is the application that bears responsibility for maintaining the consistency of runtime relationships—for example, for insuring that the "one" and the "many" sides of a bidirectional relationship are consistent with one another when the application updates the relationship at runtime.

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<sup>[20]</sup> If the parent is detached or new or was previously removed before the orphan was associated with it, the remove operation is not applied to the entity being orphaned.

If there are no associated entities for a multi-valued relationship of an entity fetched from the database, the persistence provider is responsible for returning an empty collection as the value of the relationship.

### 2.10 Relationship Mapping Defaults

This section defines the mapping defaults that apply to the use of the OneToOne, OneToMany, ManyToOne, and ManyToMany relationship modeling annotations. The same mapping defaults apply when the XML descriptor is used to denote the relationship cardinalities.

#### **2.10.1 Bidirectional OneToOne Relationships**

Assuming that:

Entity A references a single instance of Entity B.

Entity B references a single instance of Entity A.

Entity A is specified as the owner of the relationship.

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity A is mapped to a table named A.

Entity B is mapped to a table named B.

Table A contains a foreign key to table B. The foreign key column name is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the relationship property or field of entity A; "\_"; the name of the primary key column in table B. The foreign key column has the same type as the primary key of table B and there is a unique key constraint on it.

#### **Example:**

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
    private Cubicle assignedCubicle;

    @OneToOne
    public Cubicle getAssignedCubicle() {
        return assignedCubicle;
    }
    public void setAssignedCubicle(Cubicle cubicle) {
        this.assignedCubicle = cubicle;
    }
    ...
}
```

```
@Entity
public class Cubicle {
    private Employee residentEmployee;

    @OneToOne(mappedBy="assignedCubicle")
    public Employee getResidentEmployee() {
        return residentEmployee;
    }
    public void setResidentEmployee(Employee employee) {
        this.residentEmployee = employee;
    }
    ...
}
```

In this example:

Entity Employee references a single instance of Entity Cubicle.

Entity Cubicle references a single instance of Entity Employee.

Entity Employee is the owner of the relationship.

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity Employee is mapped to a table named EMPLOYEE.

Entity Cubicle is mapped to a table named CUBICLE.

Table EMPLOYEE contains a foreign key to table CUBICLE. The foreign key column is named ASSIGNEDCUBICLE\_<PK of CUBICLE>, where <PK of CUBICLE> denotes the name of the primary key column of table CUBICLE. The foreign key column has the same type as the primary key of CUBICLE, and there is a unique key constraint on it.

### 2.10.2 Bidirectional ManyToOne / OneToMany Relationships

Assuming that:

Entity A references a single instance of Entity B.

Entity B references a collection of Entity  $A^{[21]}$ .

Entity A must be the owner of the relationship.

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity A is mapped to a table named A.

Entity B is mapped to a table named B.

Table A contains a foreign key to table B. The foreign key column name is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the relationship property or field of entity A; "\_"; the

<sup>[21]</sup> When the relationship is modeled as a <code>java.util.Map</code>, "Entity B references a collection of Entity A" means that Entity B references a map collection in which the type of the Map *value* is Entity A. The map key may be a basic type, embeddable class, or an entity.

name of the primary key column in table B. The foreign key column has the same type as the primary key of table B.

#### **Example:**

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
   private Department department;
   @ManyToOne
   public Department getDepartment() {
     return department;
   public void setDepartment(Department department) {
     this.department = department;
@Entity
public class Department {
   private Collection<Employee> employees = new HashSet();
   @OneToMany(mappedBy="department")
   public Collection<Employee> getEmployees() {
     return employees;
   public void setEmployees(Collection<Employee> employees) {
     this.employees = employees;
```

#### In this example:

Entity Employee references a single instance of Entity Department.

Entity Department references a collection of Entity Employee.

Entity Employee is the owner of the relationship.

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity Employee is mapped to a table named EMPLOYEE.

Entity Department is mapped to a table named DEPARTMENT.

Table EMPLOYEE contains a foreign key to table DEPARTMENT. The foreign key column is named DEPARTMENT\_<PK of DEPARTMENT>, where <PK of DEPARTMENT> denotes the name of the primary key column of table DEPARTMENT. The foreign key column has the same type as the primary key of DEPARTMENT.

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#### **2.10.3 Unidirectional Single-Valued Relationships**

Assuming that:

Entity A references a single instance of Entity B.

Entity B does not reference Entity A.

A unidirectional relationship has only an owning side, which in this case must be Entity A.

The unidirectional single-valued relationship modeling case can be specified as either a unidirectional OneToOne or as a unidirectional ManyToOne relationship.

#### 2.10.3.1 Unidirectional OneToOne Relationships

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity A is mapped to a table named A.

Entity B is mapped to a table named B.

Table A contains a foreign key to table B. The foreign key column name is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the relationship property or field of entity A; "\_"; the name of the primary key column in table B. The foreign key column has the same type as the primary key of table B and there is a unique key constraint on it.

#### **Example:**

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
    private TravelProfile profile;

    @OneToOne
    public TravelProfile getProfile() {
        return profile;
    }
    public void setProfile(TravelProfile profile) {
        this.profile = profile;
    }
    ...
}

@Entity
public class TravelProfile {
    ...
}
```

In this example:

Entity Employee references a single instance of Entity TravelProfile.

Entity TravelProfile does not reference Entity Employee.

Entity Employee is the owner of the relationship.

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity Employee is mapped to a table named EMPLOYEE.

Entity TravelProfile is mapped to a table named TRAVELPROFILE.

Table EMPLOYEE contains a foreign key to table TRAVELPROFILE. The foreign key column is named PROFILE\_<PK of TRAVELPROFILE>, where <PK of TRAVELPROFILE> denotes the name of the primary key column of table TRAVELPROFILE. The foreign key column has the same type as the primary key of TRAVELPROFILE, and there is a unique key constraint on it.

#### 2.10.3.2 Unidirectional ManyToOne Relationships

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity A is mapped to a table named A.

Entity B is mapped to a table named B.

Table A contains a foreign key to table B. The foreign key column name is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the relationship property or field of entity A; "\_"; the name of the primary key column in table B. The foreign key column has the same type as the primary key of table B.

#### **Example:**

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
    private Address address;

    @ManyToOne
    public Address getAddress() {
        return address;
    }
    public void setAddress(Address address) {
        this.address = address;
    }
    ...
}

@Entity
public class Address {
    ...
}
```

In this example:

Entity Employee references a single instance of Entity Address.

Entity Address does not reference Entity Employee.

Entity Employee is the owner of the relationship.

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity Employee is mapped to a table named EMPLOYEE.

Entity Address is mapped to a table named ADDRESS.

Table EMPLOYEE contains a foreign key to table ADDRESS. The foreign key column is named ADDRESS\_<PK of ADDRESS>, where <PK of ADDRESS> denotes the name of the primary key column of table ADDRESS. The foreign key column has the same type as the primary key of ADDRESS.

#### **2.10.4 Bidirectional ManyToMany Relationships**

Assuming that:

Entity A references a collection of Entity B.

Entity B references a collection of Entity A.

Entity A is the owner of the relationship.

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity A is mapped to a table named A.

Entity B is mapped to a table named B.

There is a join table that is named A\_B (owner name first). This join table has two foreign key columns. One foreign key column refers to table A and has the same type as the primary key of table A. The name of this foreign key column is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the relationship property or field of entity B; "\_"; the name of the primary key column in table A. The other foreign key column refers to table B and has the same type as the primary key of table B. The name of this foreign key column is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the relationship property or field of entity A; "\_"; the name of the primary key column in table B.

#### Example:

```
@Entity
public class Project {
    private Collection<Employee> employees;

@ManyToMany
    public Collection<Employee> getEmployees() {
        return employees;
    }

    public void setEmployees(Collection<Employee> employees) {
        this.employees = employees;
    }
    ...
}
```

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
    private Collection<Project> projects;

@ManyToMany(mappedBy="employees")
    public Collection<Project> getProjects() {
       return projects;
    }

    public void setProjects(Collection<Project> projects) {
       this.projects = projects;
    }
    ...
}
```

#### In this example:

Entity Project references a collection of Entity Employee.

Entity Employee references a collection of Entity Project.

Entity Project is the owner of the relationship.

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity Project is mapped to a table named PROJECT.

Entity Employee is mapped to a table named EMPLOYEE.

There is a join table that is named PROJECT\_EMPLOYEE (owner name first). This join table has two foreign key columns. One foreign key column refers to table PROJECT and has the same type as the primary key of PROJECT. The name of this foreign key column is PROJECTS\_<PK of PROJECT>, where <PK of PROJECT> denotes the name of the primary key column of table PROJECT. The other foreign key column refers to table EMPLOYEE and has the same type as the primary key of EMPLOYEE. The name of this foreign key column is EMPLOYEES\_<PK of EMPLOYEE>, where <PK of EMPLOYEE> denotes the name of the primary key column of table EMPLOYEE.

#### 2.10.5 Unidirectional Multi-Valued Relationships

Assuming that:

Entity A references a collection of Entity B.

Entity B does not reference Entity A.

A unidirectional relationship has only an owning side, which in this case must be Entity A.

The unidirectional multi-valued relationship modeling case can be specified as either a unidirectional OneToMany or as a unidirectional ManyToMany relationship.

#### 2.10.5.1 Unidirectional OneToMany Relationships

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity A is mapped to a table named A.

Entity B is mapped to a table named B.

There is a join table that is named A\_B (owner name first). This join table has two foreign key columns. One foreign key column refers to table A and has the same type as the primary key of table A. The name of this foreign key column is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of entity A; "\_"; the name of the primary key column in table A. The other foreign key column refers to table B and has the same type as the primary key of table B and there is a unique key constraint on it. The name of this foreign key column is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the relationship property or field of entity A; "\_"; the name of the primary key column in table B.

#### **Example:**

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
    private Collection<AnnualReview> annualReviews;

    @OneToMany
    public Collection<AnnualReview> getAnnualReviews() {
        return annualReviews;
    }

    public void setAnnualReviews(Collection<AnnualReview> annualReviews) {
        this.annualReviews = annualReviews;
    }
    ...
}

@Entity
public class AnnualReview {
    ...
}
```

In this example:

Entity Employee references a collection of Entity Annual Review.

Entity Annual Review does not reference Entity Employee.

Entity Employee is the owner of the relationship.

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity Employee is mapped to a table named EMPLOYEE.

Entity Annual Review is mapped to a table named ANNUAL REVIEW.

There is a join table that is named EMPLOYEE\_ANNUALREVIEW (owner name first). This join table has two foreign key columns. One foreign key column refers to table EMPLOYEE

and has the same type as the primary key of EMPLOYEE. This foreign key column is named EMPLOYEE\_<PK of EMPLOYEE>, where <PK of EMPLOYEE> denotes the name of the primary key column of table EMPLOYEE. The other foreign key column refers to table ANNU-ALREVIEW and has the same type as the primary key of ANNUALREVIEW. This foreign key column is named ANNUALREVIEWS\_<PK of ANNUALREVIEW>, where <PK of ANNU-ALREVIEW> denotes the name of the primary key column of table ANNUALREVIEW. There is a unique key constraint on the foreign key that refers to table ANNUALREVIEW.

#### 2.10.5.2 Unidirectional ManyToMany Relationships

The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity A is mapped to a table named A.

Entity B is mapped to a table named B.

There is a join table that is named A\_B (owner name first). This join table has two foreign key columns. One foreign key column refers to table A and has the same type as the primary key of table A. The name of this foreign key column is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of entity A; "\_"; the name of the primary key column in table A. The other foreign key column refers to table B and has the same type as the primary key of table B. The name of this foreign key column is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the relationship property or field of entity A; "\_"; the name of the primary key column in table B.

#### **Example:**

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
    private Collection<Patent> patents;

    @ManyToMany
    public Collection<Patent> getPatents() {
        return patents;
    }

    public void setPatents(Collection<Patent> patents) {
        this.patents = patents;
    }
    ...
}

@Entity
public class Patent {
    ...
}
```

In this example:

Entity Employee references a collection of Entity Patent.

Entity Patent does not reference Entity Employee.

Entity Employee is the owner of the relationship.

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The following mapping defaults apply:

Entity Employee is mapped to a table named EMPLOYEE.

Entity Patent is mapped to a table named PATENT.

There is a join table that is named EMPLOYEE\_PATENT (owner name first). This join table has two foreign key columns. One foreign key column refers to table EMPLOYEE and has the same type as the primary key of EMPLOYEE. This foreign key column is named EMPLOYEE\_<PK of EMPLOYEE>, where <PK of EMPLOYEE> denotes the name of the primary key column of table EMPLOYEE. The other foreign key column refers to table PATENT and has the same type as the primary key of PATENT. This foreign key column is named PATENTS\_<PK of PATENT>, where <PK of PATENT> denotes the name of the primary key column of table PATENT.

#### 2.11 Inheritance

An entity may inherit from another entity class. Entities support inheritance, polymorphic associations, and polymorphic queries.

Both abstract and concrete classes can be entities. Both abstract and concrete classes can be annotated with the Entity annotation, mapped as entities, and queried for as entities.

Entities can extend non-entity classes and non-entity classes can extend entity classes.

These concepts are described further in the following sections.

#### 2.11.1 Abstract Entity Classes

An abstract class can be specified as an entity. An abstract entity differs from a concrete entity only in that it cannot be directly instantiated. An abstract entity is mapped as an entity and can be the target of queries (which will operate over and/or retrieve instances of its concrete subclasses).

An abstract entity class is annotated with the Entity annotation or denoted in the XML descriptor as an entity.

The following example shows the use of an abstract entity class in the entity inheritance hierarchy.

#### **Example: Abstract class as an Entity**

```
@Entity
@Table(name="EMP")
@Inheritance(strategy=JOINED)
public abstract class Employee {
    @Id protected Integer empId;
    @Version protected Integer version;
    @ManyToOne protected Address address;
    ...
}
```

```
@Entity
@Table(name="FT EMP")
@DiscriminatorValue("FT")
@PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="FT_EMPID")
public class FullTimeEmployee extends Employee {
    // Inherit empId, but mapped in this class to FT_EMP.FT_EMPID
       Inherit version mapped to EMP. VERSION
    // Inherit address mapped to EMP.ADDRESS fk
    // Defaults to FT EMP.SALARY
    protected Integer salary;
}
@Entity
@Table(name="PT EMP")
@DiscriminatorValue("PT")
// PK column is PT EMP.EMPID due to PrimaryKeyJoinColumn default
public class PartTimeEmployee extends Employee {
    protected Float hourlyWage;
}
```

#### **2.11.2** Mapped Superclasses

An entity may inherit from a superclass that provides persistent entity state and mapping information, but which is not itself an entity. Typically, the purpose of such a mapped superclass is to define state and mapping information that is common to multiple entity classes.

A mapped superclass, unlike an entity, is not queryable and must not be passed as an argument to EntityManager or Query operations. Persistent relationships defined by a mapped superclass must be unidirectional.

Both abstract and concrete classes may be specified as mapped superclasses. The MappedSuperclass annotation (or mapped-superclass XML descriptor element) is used to designate a mapped superclass.

A class designated as a mapped superclass has no separate table defined for it. Its mapping information is applied to the entities that inherit from it.

A class designated as a mapped superclass can be mapped in the same way as an entity except that the mappings will apply only to its subclasses since no table exists for the mapped superclass itself. When applied to the subclasses, the inherited mappings will apply in the context of the subclass tables. Mapping information can be overridden in such subclasses by using the AttributeOverride and AssociationOverride annotations or corresponding XML elements.

All other entity mapping defaults apply equally to a class designated as a mapped superclass.

The following example illustrates the definition of a concrete class as a mapped superclass.

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#### **Example: Concrete class as a mapped superclass**

```
@MappedSuperclass
public class Employee {
    @Id protected Integer empId;
    @Version protected Integer version;
    @ManyToOne @JoinColumn(name="ADDR")
    protected Address address;
    public Integer getEmpId() { ...
    public void setEmpId(Integer id) { ... }
    public Address getAddress() { ... }
    public void setAddress(Address addr) { ... }
// Default table is FTEMPLOYEE table
@Entity
public class FTEmployee extends Employee {
    // Inherited empId field mapped to FTEMPLOYEE.EMPID
    // Inherited version field mapped to FTEMPLOYEE.VERSION
    // Inherited address field mapped to FTEMPLOYEE.ADDR fk
    // Defaults to FTEMPLOYEE.SALARY
    protected Integer salary;
    public FTEmployee() {}
    public Integer getSalary() { ... }
    public void setSalary(Integer salary) { ... }
@Entity
@Table(name="PT EMP")
@AssociationOverride(name="address",
         joincolumns=@JoinColumn(name="ADDR_ID"))
public class PartTimeEmployee extends Employee {
    // Inherited empId field mapped to PT_EMP.EMPID
    // Inherited version field mapped to PT_EMP.VERSION
    // address field mapping overridden to PT_EMP.ADDR_ID fk
    @Column(name="WAGE")
    protected Float hourlyWage;
    public PartTimeEmployee() {}
    public Float getHourlyWage() { ... }
    public void setHourlyWage(Float wage) { ... }
}
```

#### **2.11.3** Non-Entity Classes in the Entity Inheritance Hierarchy

An entity can have a non-entity superclass, which may be either a concrete or abstract class.<sup>[22]</sup>

The non-entity superclass serves for inheritance of behavior only. The state of a non-entity superclass is not persistent. Any state inherited from non-entity superclasses is non-persistent in an inheriting entity class. This non-persistent state is not managed by the entity manager<sup>[23]</sup>. Any annotations on such superclasses are ignored.

Non-entity classes cannot be passed as arguments to methods of the EntityManager or Query interfaces<sup>[24]</sup> and cannot bear mapping information.

The following example illustrates the use of a non-entity class as a superclass of an entity.

#### **Example: Non-entity superclass**

```
public class Cart {
    protected Integer operationCount; // transient state
    public Cart() { operationCount = 0; }
    public Integer getOperationCount() { return operationCount; }
    public void incrementOperationCount() { operationCount++; }
}

@Entity
public class ShoppingCart extends Cart {
    Collection<Item> items = new Vector<Item>();
    public ShoppingCart() { super(); }
    ...
    @OneToMany
    public Collection<Item> getItems() { return items; }

    public void addItem(Item item) {
        items.add(item);
        incrementOperationCount();
    }
}
```

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<sup>[22]</sup> The superclass must not be an embeddable class or id class.

<sup>[23]</sup> If a transaction-scoped persistence context is used, it is not required to be retained across transactions.

<sup>[24]</sup> This includes instances of a non-entity class that extends an entity class.

### 2.12 Inheritance Mapping Strategies

The mapping of class hierarchies is specified through metadata.

There are three basic strategies that are used when mapping a class or class hierarchy to a relational database:

- a single table per class hierarchy
- a joined subclass strategy, in which fields that are specific to a subclass are mapped to a separate table than the fields that are common to the parent class, and a join is performed to instantiate the subclass.
- a table per concrete entity class

An implementation is required to support the single table per class hierarchy inheritance mapping strategy and the joined subclass strategy.

Support for the table per concrete class inheritance mapping strategy is optional in this release. Applications that use this mapping strategy will not be portable.

Support for the combination of inheritance strategies within a single entity inheritance hierarchy is not required by this specification.

#### 2.12.1 Single Table per Class Hierarchy Strategy

In this strategy, all the classes in a hierarchy are mapped to a single table. The table has a column that serves as a "discriminator column", that is, a column whose value identifies the specific subclass to which the instance that is represented by the row belongs.

This mapping strategy provides good support for polymorphic relationships between entities and for queries that range over the class hierarchy.

It has the drawback, however, that it requires that the columns that correspond to state specific to the subclasses be nullable.

#### **2.12.2 Joined Subclass Strategy**

In the joined subclass strategy, the root of the class hierarchy is represented by a single table. Each subclass is represented by a separate table that contains those fields that are specific to the subclass (not inherited from its superclass), as well as the column(s) that represent its primary key. The primary key column(s) of the subclass table serves as a foreign key to the primary key of the superclass table.

This strategy provides support for polymorphic relationships between entities.

It has the drawback that it requires that one or more join operations be performed to instantiate instances of a subclass. In deep class hierarchies, this may lead to unacceptable performance. Queries that range over the class hierarchy likewise require joins.

#### **2.12.3** Table per Concrete Class Strategy

In this mapping strategy, each class is mapped to a separate table. All properties of the class, including inherited properties, are mapped to columns of the table for the class.

This strategy has the following drawbacks:

- It provides poor support for polymorphic relationships.
- It typically requires that SQL UNION queries (or a separate SQL query per subclass) be issued for queries that are intended to range over the class hierarchy.

### 2.13 Naming of Database Objects

Many annotations and annotation elements contain names of database objects or assume default names for database objects.

This specification requires the following with regard to the interpretation of the names referencing database objects. These names include the names of tables, columns, and other database elements. Such names also include names that result from defaulting (e.g., a table name that is defaulted from an entity name or a column name that is defaulted from a field or property name).

By default, the names of database objects must be treated as undelimited identifiers and passed to the database as such.

For example, assuming the use of an English locale, the following must be passed to the database as undelimited identifiers so that they will be treated as equivalent for all databases that comply with the SQL Standard's requirements for the treatment of "regular identifiers" (undelimited identifiers) and "delimited identifiers" [4]:

```
@Table(name="Customer")
@Table(name="customer")
@Table(name="cUsTomer")
```

Similarly, the following must be treated as equivalent:

```
@JoinColumn(name="CUSTOMER")
@ManyToOne Customer customer;
@JoinColumn(name="customer")
@ManyToOne Customer customer;
@ManyToOne Customer customer;
```

To specify delimited identifiers, one of the following approaches must be used:

- It is possible to specify that all database identifiers in use for a persistence unit be treated as delimited identifiers by specifying the <delimited-identifiers/> element within the persistence-unit-defaults element of the object/relational xml mapping file. If the <delimited-identifiers/> element is specified, it cannot be overridden.
- It is possible to specify on a per-name basis that a name for a database object is to be interpreted as a delimited identifier as follows:
  - Using annotations, a name is specified as a delimited identifier by enclosing the name within double quotes, whereby the inner quotes are escaped, e.g., @Table(name="\"customer\"").
  - When using XML, a name is specified as a delimited identifier by use of double quotes, e.g., >[25]

The following annotations contain elements whose values correspond to names of database identifiers and for which the above rules apply, including when their use is nested within that of other annotations:

EntityResult (discriminatorColumn element)

FieldResult (column element)

ColumnResult (name element)

CollectionTable (name, catalog, schema elements)

Column (name, columnDefinition, table elements)

DiscriminatorColumn (name, columnDefinition elements)

JoinColumn (name, referencedColumnName, columnDefinition, table elements)

JoinTable (name, catalog, schema elements)

MapKeyColumn (name, columnDefinition, table elements)

MapKeyJoinColumn (name, referencedColumnName, columnDefinition, table elements)

OrderColumn (name, columnDefinition elements)

PrimaryKeyJoinColumn (name, referencedColumnName, columnDefinition elements)

SecondaryTable (name, catalog, schema elements)

SequenceGenerator (sequenceName, catalog, schema elements)

Table (name, catalog, schema elements)

 $\label{thm:catalog} \mbox{ TableGenerator (table, catalog, schema, pkColumnName, valueColumn-Name elements)}$ 

UniqueConstraint (name, columnNames elements)

<sup>[25]</sup> If <delimited-identifiers> is specified and individual annotations or XML elements or attributes use escaped double quotes, the double-quotes appear in the name of the database identifier.

The following XML elements and types contain elements or attributes whose values correspond to names of database identifiers and for which the above rules apply:

```
entity-mappings (schema, catalog elements)
persistence-unit-defaults (schema, catalog elements)
collection-table (name, catalog, schema attributes)
column (name, table, column-definition attributes)
column-result (name attribute)
discriminator-column (name, column-definition attributes)
entity-result (discriminator-column attribute)
field-result (column attribute)
join-column (name, referenced-column-name, column-definition, table
attributes)
join-table (name, catalog, schema attributes)
map-key-column (name, column-definition, table attributes)
map-key-join-column (name, referenced-column-name, column-defini-
tion, table attributes)
order-column (name, column-definition attributes)
primary-key-join-column (name, referenced-column-name, column-def-
inition attributes)
secondary-table (name, catalog, schema attributes)
sequence-generator (sequence-name, catalog, schema attributes)
table (name, catalog, schema attributes)
table-generator (table, catalog, schema, pk-column-name, value-col-
umn-name attributes)
unique-constraint (name attribute, column-name element)
```

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# Chapter 3 Entity Operations

This chapter describes the use of the EntityManager API to manage the entity instance lifecycle and the use of the Query API to retrieve and query entities and their persistent state.

# 3.1 EntityManager

An EntityManager instance is associated with a persistence context. A persistence context is a set of 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. The EntityManager interface defines the methods that are used to interact with the persistence context. The EntityManager API is used to create and remove persistent entity instances, to find persistent entities by primary key, and to query over persistent entities.

The set of entities that can be managed by a given EntityManager instance is defined by a persistence unit. A persistence unit defines the set of all classes that are related or grouped by the application, and which must be colocated in their mapping to a single database.

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EntityManager

Section 3.1 defines the EntityManager interface. The entity instance lifecycle is described in Section 3.2. The relationships between entity managers and persistence contexts are described in section 3.3 and in further detail in Chapter 7. Section 3.4 describes mechanisms for concurrency control and locking. Section 3.5 describes entity listeners and lifecycle callback methods for entities. Section 3.6 describes support for automatic use of Bean Validation. Section 3.7 describes mechanisms for portable second-level cache configuration. The Query, TypedQuery, and related interfaces are described in Section 3.8. Section 3.9 provides a summary of exceptions. The definition of persistence units is described in Chapter 8.

#### 3.1.1 EntityManager Interface

```
package javax.persistence;
import java.util.Set;
import java.util.Map;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.Metamodel;
import javax.persistence.criteria.CriteriaBuilder;
import javax.persistence.criteria.CriteriaQuery;
/ * *
 * Interface used to interact with the persistence context.
public interface EntityManager {
     * Make an instance managed and persistent.
     * @param entity
     * @throws EntityExistsException if the entity already exists.
     * (If the entity already exists, the EntityExistsException may
     * be thrown when the persist operation is invoked, or the
     * EntityExistsException or another PersistenceException may be
     * thrown at flush or commit time.)
     * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not an
               entity
     * @throws TransactionRequiredException if invoked on a
               container-managed entity manager of type
               PersistenceContextType.TRANSACTION and there is
               no transaction
    public void persist(Object entity);
     * Merge the state of the given entity into the
     * current persistence context.
     * @param entity
     * @return the managed instance that the state was merged to
     * @throws IllegalArgumentException if instance is not an
               entity or is a removed entity
     * @throws TransactionRequiredException if invoked on a
               container-managed entity manager of type
               PersistenceContextType.TRANSACTION and there is
               no transaction
    public <T> T merge(T entity);
    /**
     * Remove the entity instance.
     * @param entity
     * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not an
               entity or is a detached entity
     * @throws TransactionRequiredException if invoked on a
               container-managed entity manager of type
               PersistenceContextType.TRANSACTION and there is
               no transaction
    public void remove(Object entity);
```

```
* Find by primary key.
 * Search for an entity of the specified class and primary key.
 * If the entity instance is contained in the persistence context
 * it is returned from there.
 * @param entityClass
 * @param primaryKey
 * @return the found entity instance or null if the entity does
           not exist
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the first argument does
           not denote an entity type or the second argument is
           is not a valid type for that entity's primary key or
           is null
public <T> T find(Class<T> entityClass, Object primaryKey);
 * Find by primary key, using the specified properties.
* Search for an entity of the specified class and primary key.
 * If the entity instance is contained in the persistence context
 * it is returned from there.
 * If a vendor-specific property or hint is not recognized,
 * it is silently ignored.
 * @param entityClass
 * @param primaryKey
 * @param properties standard and vendor-specific properties
          and hints
 * @return the found entity instance or null if the entity does
           not exist
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the first argument does
           not denote an entity type or the second argument is
           is not a valid type for that entity's primary key or
           is null
public <T> T find(Class<T> entityClass,
                  Object primaryKey,
                  Map<String, Object> properties);
 * Find by primary key and lock.
 * Search for an entity of the specified class and primary key
 * and lock it with respect to the specified lock type.
 * If the entity instance is contained in the persistence context
 * it is returned from there, and the effect of this method is
  the same as if the lock method had been called on the entity.
  If the entity is found within the persistence context and the
 * lock mode type is pessimistic and the entity has a version
 * attribute, the persistence provider must perform optimistic
 * version checks when obtaining the database lock. If these
 * checks fail, the OptimisticLockException will be thrown.
 * If the lock mode type is pessimistic and the entity instance
 * is found but cannot be locked:

    the PessimisticLockException will be thrown if the database

      locking failure causes transaction-level rollback
     the LockTimeoutException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes only statement-level rollback
 * @param entityClass
 * @param primaryKey
 * @param lockMode
```

```
@return the found entity instance or null if the entity does
           not exist
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if the first argument does
           not denote an entity type or the second argument is
           not a valid type for that entity's primary key or
           is null
  @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is no
           transaction and a lock mode other than NONE is
           specified
  @throws OptimisticLockException if the optimistic version
           check fails
  @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking
           fails and the transaction is rolled back
   @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking fails and
           only the statement is rolled back
   @throws PersistenceException if an unsupported lock call
           is made
public <T> T find(Class<T> entityClass,
                  Object primaryKey,
                  LockModeType lockMode);
/**
 * Find by primary key and lock, using the specified properties.
 * Search for an entity of the specified class and primary key
 * and lock it with respect to the specified lock type.
 * If the entity instance is contained in the persistence context
 * it is returned from there. If the entity is found
 * within the persistence context and the lock mode type
 * is pessimistic and the entity has a version attribute, the
 * persistence provider must perform optimistic version checks
 * when obtaining the database lock. If these checks fail,
 * the OptimisticLockException will be thrown.
 * If the lock mode type is pessimistic and the entity instance
   is found but cannot be locked:
      the PessimisticLockException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes transaction-level rollback
      the LockTimeoutException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes only statement-level rollback
 * If a vendor-specific property or hint is not recognized,
 * it is silently ignored.
 * Portable applications should not rely on the standard timeout
 * hint. Depending on the database in use and the locking
 * mechanisms used by the provider, the hint may or may not
  be observed.
  @param entityClass
 * @param primaryKey
 * @param lockMode
 * @param properties standard and vendor-specific properties
          and hints
  @return the found entity instance or null if the entity does
          not exist
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if the first argument does
           not denote an entity type or the second argument is
           not a valid type for that entity's primary key or
           is null
   @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is no
           transaction and a lock mode other than NONE is
           specified
```

```
* @throws OptimisticLockException if the optimistic version
           check fails
   @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking
           fails and the transaction is rolled back
 ^{\star} @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking fails and
           only the statement is rolled back
 * @throws PersistenceException if an unsupported lock call
           is made
public <T> T find(Class<T> entityClass,
                   Object primaryKey,
                   LockModeType lockMode,
                   Map<String, Object> properties);
/ * *
 * Get an instance, whose state may be lazily fetched.
 * If the requested instance does not exist in the database,
 * the EntityNotFoundException is thrown when the instance
* state is first accessed. (The persistence provider runtime is
 * permitted to throw the EntityNotFoundException when
 * getReference is called.)
 * The application should not expect that the instance state will
 * be available upon detachment, unless it was accessed by the
 * application while the entity manager was open.
 * @param entityClass
 * @param primaryKey
 * @return the found entity instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the first argument does
           not denote an entity type or the second argument is
           not a valid type for that entity's primary key or
           is null
 * @throws EntityNotFoundException if the entity state
           cannot be accessed
public <T> T getReference(Class<T> entityClass,
                           Object primaryKey);
/**
 * Synchronize the persistence context to the
 * underlying database.
 * @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is
           no transaction
 ^{\star} @throws PersistenceException if the flush fails
public void flush();
 * Set the flush mode that applies to all objects contained
 * in the persistence context.
 * @param flushMode
public void setFlushMode(FlushModeType flushMode);
 * Get the flush mode that applies to all objects contained
 * in the persistence context.
 * @return flushMode
public FlushModeType getFlushMode();
```

```
* Lock an entity instance that is contained in the persistence
 * context with the specified lock mode type.
 * If a pessimistic lock mode type is specified and the entity
 * contains a version attribute, the persistence provider must
 * also perform optimistic version checks when obtaining the
  database lock. If these checks fail, the
  OptimisticLockException will be thrown.
  If the lock mode type is pessimistic and the entity instance
 * is found but cannot be locked:
     the PessimisticLockException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes transaction-level rollback
    - the LockTimeoutException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes only statement-level rollback
  @param entity
   @param lockMode
  @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not an
           entity or is a detached entity
   @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is no
           transaction
   @throws EntityNotFoundException if the entity does not exist
           in the database when pessimistic locking is
  @throws OptimisticLockException if the optimistic version
           check fails
  @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking fails
           and the transaction is rolled back
   @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking fails and
           only the statement is rolled back
  @throws PersistenceException if an unsupported lock call
           is made
public void lock(Object entity, LockModeType lockMode);
 * Lock an entity instance that is contained in the persistence
 * context with the specified lock mode type and with specified
  properties.
 * If a pessimistic lock mode type is specified and the entity
 * contains a version attribute, the persistence provider must
 * also perform optimistic version checks when obtaining the
 * database lock. If these checks fail, the
 * OptimisticLockException will be thrown.
 * If the lock mode type is pessimistic and the entity instance
  is found but cannot be locked:
      the PessimisticLockException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes transaction-level rollback
      the LockTimeoutException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes only statement-level rollback
 * If a vendor-specific property or hint is not recognized,
 * it is silently ignored.
 * Portable applications should not rely on the standard timeout
 * hint. Depending on the database in use and the locking
 * mechanisms used by the provider, the hint may or may not
  be observed.
  @param entity
  @param lockMode
  @param properties standard and vendor-specific properties
         and hints
```

```
* @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not an
           entity or is a detached entity
 * @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is no
           transaction
 * @throws EntityNotFoundException if the entity does not exist
           in the database when pessimistic locking is
           performed
  @throws OptimisticLockException if the optimistic version
           check fails
 * @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking fails
           and the transaction is rolled back
 * @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking fails and
           only the statement is rolled back
   @throws PersistenceException if an unsupported lock call
           is made
 * /
public void lock(Object entity,
                 LockModeType lockMode,
                 Map<String, Object> properties);
/**
 * Refresh the state of the instance from the database,
 * overwriting changes made to the entity, if any.
 * @param entity
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not
           an entity or the entity is not managed
 * @throws TransactionRequiredException if invoked on a
           container-managed entity manager of type
           PersistenceContextType.TRANSACTION and there is
           no transaction
 * @throws EntityNotFoundException if the entity no longer
           exists in the database
 * /
public void refresh(Object entity);
 * Refresh the state of the instance from the database, using
 * the specified properties, and overwriting changes made to
 * the entity, if any.
 * If a vendor-specific property or hint is not recognized,
 * it is silently ignored.
 * @param entity
 * @param properties standard and vendor-specific properties
          and hints
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not
           an entity or the entity is not managed
 * @throws TransactionRequiredException if invoked on a
           container-managed entity manager of type
           PersistenceContextType.TRANSACTION and there is
           no transaction
   @throws EntityNotFoundException if the entity no longer
           exists in the database
public void refresh(Object entity,
                    Map<String, Object> properties);
```

```
* Refresh the state of the instance from the database,
 * overwriting changes made to the entity, if any, and
 * lock it with respect to given lock mode type.
 * If the lock mode type is pessimistic and the entity instance
 * is found but cannot be locked:
    - the PessimisticLockException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes transaction-level rollback
     the LockTimeoutException will be thrown if the
      database locking failure causes only statement-level
      rollback.
  @param entity
   @param lockMode
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not
           an entity or the entity is not managed
  @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is no
           transaction and if invoked on a container-managed
           EntityManager instance with
           PersistenceContextType.TRANSACTION or with a lock
           mode other than NONE
   @throws EntityNotFoundException if the entity no longer exists
           in the database
   @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking fails
           and the transaction is rolled back
  @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking fails and
           only the statement is rolled back
   @throws PersistenceException if an unsupported lock call
           is made
 * /
public void refresh(Object entity, LockModeType lockMode);
 * Refresh the state of the instance from the database,
 * overwriting changes made to the entity, if any, and
 * lock it with respect to given lock mode type and with
   specified properties.
 * If the lock mode type is pessimistic and the entity instance
   is found but cannot be locked:
      the PessimisticLockException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes transaction-level rollback
     the LockTimeoutException will be thrown if the database
      locking failure causes only statement-level rollback
 * If a vendor-specific property or hint is not recognized,
 * it is silently ignored.
  Portable applications should not rely on the standard timeout
 * hint. Depending on the database in use and the locking
  mechanisms used by the provider, the hint may or may not
 * be observed.
 * @param entity
 * @param lockMode
  @param properties standard and vendor-specific properties
          and hints
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not
           an entity or the entity is not managed
   @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is no
           transaction and if invoked on a container-managed
           EntityManager instance with
           PersistenceContextType.TRANSACTION or with a lock
           mode other than NONE
```

```
* @throws EntityNotFoundException if the entity no longer exists
           in the database
 * @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking fails
           and the transaction is rolled back
 ^{\star} @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking fails and
           only the statement is rolled back
 * @throws PersistenceException if an unsupported lock call
           is made
public void refresh(Object entity,
                    LockModeType lockMode,
                    Map<String, Object> properties);
/**
 * Clear the persistence context, causing all managed
 * entities to become detached. Changes made to entities that
 * have not been flushed to the database will not be
 * persisted.
public void clear();
/**
 * Remove the given entity from the persistence context, causing
 * a managed entity to become detached. Unflushed changes made
 * to the entity if any (including removal of the entity),
 * will not be synchronized to the database. Entities which
 * previously referenced the detached entity will continue to
 * reference it.
 * @param entity
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not an
           entity
 * /
public void detach(Object entity);
 * Check if the instance is a managed entity instance belonging
 * to the current persistence context.
 * @param entity
 * @return boolean indicating if entity is in persistence context
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if not an entity
 * /
public boolean contains(Object entity);
 * Get the current lock mode for the entity instance.
 * @param entity
 * @return lock mode
 * @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is no
           transaction
 ^{\star} @throws IllegalArgumentException if the instance is not a
           managed entity and a transaction is active
 * /
public LockModeType getLockMode(Object entity);
```

```
* Set an entity manager property or hint.
 * If a vendor-specific property or hint is not recognized, it
* is silently ignored.
 * @param propertyName name of property or hint
 * @param value
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the second argument is
           not valid for the implementation
public void setProperty(String propertyName, Object value);
 * Get the properties and hints and associated values that are
 * in effect for the entity manager. Changing the contents of
 * the map does not change the configuration in effect.
 * @return map of properties and hints in effect
public Map<String, Object> getProperties();
 * Create an instance of Query for executing a
 * Java Persistence query language statement.
 * @param qlString a Java Persistence query string
 * @return the new query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the query string is
           found to be invalid
 * /
public Query createQuery(String qlString);
 * Create an instance of TypedQuery for executing a
 * criteria query.
 * @param criteriaQuery a criteria query object
 * @return the new query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the criteria query is
           found to be invalid
 * /
public <T> TypedQuery<T> createQuery(
              CriteriaQuery<T> criteriaQuery);
/**
 * Create an instance of TypedQuery for executing a
 * Java Persistence query language statement.
 * The select list of the query must contain only a single
* item, which must be assignable to the type specified by * the resultClass argument. ^{[26]}
 * @param qlString a Java Persistence query string
 * @param resultClass the type of the query result
 ^{\star} @return the new query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the query string is found
           to be invalid or if the query result is found to
           not be assignable to the specified type
public <T> TypedQuery<T> createQuery(String qlString,
                                      Class<T> resultClass);
```

<sup>[26]</sup> The semantics of this method may be extended in a future release of this specification to support other result types. Applications that specify other result types (e.g., Tuple.class) will not be portable.

```
* Create an instance of Query for executing a named query
 * (in the Java Persistence query language or in native SQL).
 * @param name the name of a query defined in metadata
 * @return the new query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if a query has not been
           defined with the given name or if the query string is
           found to be invalid
public Query createNamedQuery(String name);
/**
 * Create an instance of TypedQuery for executing a
 * Java Persistence query language named query.
 * The select list of the query must contain only a single
 * item, which must be assignable to the type specified by * the resultClass argument. ^{\left[27\right]}
 * @param name the name of a query defined in metadata
 * @param resultClass the type of the query result
 * @return the new query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if a query has not been
           defined with the given name or if the query string is
           found to be invalid or if the query result is found to
           not be assignable to the specified type
public <T> TypedQuery<T> createNamedQuery(String name,
                                           Class<T> resultClass);
/**
 * Create an instance of Query for executing
 * a native SQL statement, e.g., for update or delete.
 * @param sqlString a native SQL query string
 * @return the new query instance
public Query createNativeQuery(String sqlString);
 * Create an instance of Query for executing
 * a native SQL query.
 * @param sqlString a native SQL query string
 * @param resultClass the class of the resulting instance(s)
 * @return the new query instance
public Query createNativeQuery(String sqlString,
                                Class resultClass);
/**
 * Create an instance of Query for executing
 * a native SQL query.
 * @param sqlString a native SQL query string
 * @param resultSetMapping the name of the result set mapping
 * @return the new query instance
public Query createNativeQuery(String sqlString,
                                String resultSetMapping);
```

<sup>[27]</sup> The semantics of this method may be extended in a future release of this specification to support other result types. Applications that specify other result types (e.g., Tuple.class) will not be portable.

```
* Indicate to the entity manager that a JTA transaction is
 * active. This method should be called on a JTA application
 * managed entity manager that was created outside the scope
 * of the active transaction to associate it with the current
 * JTA transaction.
 * @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is
           no transaction
 * /
public void joinTransaction();
 * Return an object of the specified type to allow access to the
 * provider-specific API.
                           If the provider's EntityManager
 * implementation does not support the specified class, the
 * PersistenceException is thrown.
 * @param cls the class of the object to be returned.
 * normally either the underlying EntityManager implementation
 * class or an interface that it implements.
 * @return an instance of the specified class
 * @throws PersistenceException if the provider does not
           support the call
 * /
public <T> T unwrap(Class<T> cls);
* Return the underlying provider object for the EntityManager,
 \mbox{\ensuremath{^{\star}}} if available. The result of this method is implementation
 * specific. The unwrap method is to be preferred for new
 * applications.
 * @return underlying provider object for EntityManager
public Object getDelegate();
* Close an application-managed entity manager.
 * After the close method has been invoked, all methods
 * on the EntityManager instance and any Query and TypedQuery
 * objects obtained from it will throw the IllegalStateException
 * except for getProperties, getTransaction, and isOpen (which
 * will return false).
 * If this method is called when the entity manager is
 * associated with an active transaction, the persistence
  context remains managed until the transaction completes.
 * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager
           is container-managed
 * /
public void close();
 * Determine whether the entity manager is open.
 * @return true until the entity manager has been closed
public boolean isOpen();
```

```
* Return the resource-level EntityTransaction object.
     * The EntityTransaction instance may be used serially to
    * begin and commit multiple transactions.
     * @return EntityTransaction instance
     * @throws IllegalStateException if invoked on a JTA
              entity manager
    * /
   public EntityTransaction getTransaction();
     * Return the entity manager factory for the entity manager.
     * @return EntityManagerFactory instance
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager has
              been closed
     * /
   public EntityManagerFactory getEntityManagerFactory();
    * Return an instance of CriteriaBuilder for the creation of
     * CriteriaQuery objects.
     * @return CriteriaBuilder instance
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager has
              been closed
    * /
   public CriteriaBuilder getCriteriaBuilder();
    * Return an instance of Metamodel interface for access to the
     * metamodel of the persistence unit.
     * @return Metamodel instance
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager has
              been closed
    * /
   public Metamodel getMetamodel();
}
```

The persist, merge, remove, and refresh methods must be invoked within a transaction context when an entity manager with a transaction-scoped persistence context is used. If there is no transaction context, the javax.persistence.TransactionRequiredException is thrown.

Methods that specify a lock mode other than LockModeType.NONE must be invoked within a transaction context. If there is no transaction context, the javax.persistence.TransactionRequiredException is thrown.

The find method (provided it is invoked without a lock or invoked with LockModeType.NONE) and the getReference method are not required to be invoked within a transaction context. If an entity manager with transaction-scoped persistence context is in use, the resulting entities will be detached; if an entity manager with an extended persistence context is used, they will be managed. See section 3.3 for entity manager use outside a transaction.

The Query, TypedQuery, CriteriaBuilder, Metamodel, and EntityTransaction objects obtained from an entity manager are valid while that entity manager is open.

If the argument to the createQuery method is not a valid Java Persistence query string or a valid CriteriaQuery object, the IllegalArgumentException may be thrown or the query execution will fail and a PersistenceException will be thrown. If the result class specification of a Java Persistence query language query is incompatible with the result of the query, the IllegalArgumentException may be thrown when the createQuery method is invoked or the query execution will fail and a PersistenceException will be thrown when the query is executed. If a native query is not a valid query for the database in use or if the result set specification is incompatible with the result of the query, the query execution will fail and a PersistenceException will be thrown when the query is executed. The PersistenceException should wrap the underlying database exception when possible.

Runtime exceptions thrown by the methods of the EntityManager interface other than the Lock-TimeoutException will cause the current transaction to be marked for rollback.

The methods close, isOpen, joinTransaction, and getTransaction are used to manage application-managed entity managers and their lifecycle. See Section 7.2.2, "Obtaining an Application-managed Entity Manager".

The EntityManager interface and other interfaces defined by this specification contain methods that take properties and/or hints as arguments. This specification distinguishes between *properties* and *hints* as follows:

- A property defined by this specification must be observed by the provider unless otherwise explicitly stated.
- A hint specifies a preference on the part of the application. While a hint defined by this specification should be observed by the provider if possible, a hint may or may not always be observed. A portable application must not depend on the observance of a hint.

# 3.1.2 Example of Use of EntityManager API

```
@Stateless public class OrderEntryBean implements OrderEntry {
    @PersistenceContext EntityManager em;

public void enterOrder(int custID, Order newOrder) {
    Customer cust = em.find(Customer.class, custID);
    cust.getOrders().add(newOrder);
    newOrder.setCustomer(cust);
    em.persist(newOrder);
  }
}
```

# 3.2 Entity Instance's Life Cycle

This section describes the EntityManager operations for managing an entity instance's lifecycle. An entity instance can be characterized as being new, managed, detached, or removed.

- 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 will be removed from the database upon transaction commit.

The following subsections describe the effect of lifecycle operations upon entities. Use of the cascade annotation element may be used to propagate the effect of an operation to associated entities. The cascade functionality is most typically used in parent-child relationships.

#### 3.2.1 Entity Instance Creation

Entity instances are created by means of the new operation. An entity instance, when first created by new is not yet persistent. An instance becomes persistent by means of the EntityManager API.

## 3.2.2 Persisting an Entity Instance

A new entity instance becomes both managed and persistent by invoking the persist method on it or by cascading the persist operation.

The semantics of the persist operation, applied to an entity X are as follows:

- If X is a new entity, it becomes managed. The entity X will be entered into the database at or before transaction commit or as a result of the flush operation.
- If X is a preexisting managed entity, it is ignored by the persist operation. However, the persist
  operation is cascaded to entities referenced by X, if the relationships from X to these other
  entities are annotated with the cascade=PERSIST or cascade=ALL annotation element
  value or specified with the equivalent XML descriptor element.
- If X is a removed entity, it becomes managed.
- If X is a detached object, the EntityExistsException may be thrown when the persist
  operation is invoked, or the EntityExistsException or another PersistenceException may be thrown at flush or commit time.

• For all entities Y referenced by a relationship from X, if the relationship to Y has been annotated with the cascade element value cascade=PERSIST or cascade=ALL, the persist operation is applied to Y.

## 3.2.3 Removal

A managed entity instance becomes removed by invoking the remove method on it or by cascading the remove operation.

The semantics of the remove operation, applied to an entity X are as follows:

- If X is a new entity, it is ignored by the remove operation. However, the remove operation is cascaded to entities referenced by X, if the relationship from X to these other entities is annotated with the cascade=REMOVE or cascade=ALL annotation element value.
- If X is a managed entity, the remove operation causes it to become removed. The remove operation is cascaded to entities referenced by X, if the relationships from X to these other entities is annotated with the cascade=REMOVE or cascade=ALL annotation element value.
- If X is a detached entity, an IllegalArgumentException will be thrown by the remove operation (or the transaction commit will fail).
- If X is a removed entity, it is ignored by the remove operation.
- A removed entity X will be removed from the database at or before transaction commit or as a result of the flush operation.

After an entity has been removed, its state (except for generated state) will be that of the entity at the point at which the remove operation was called.

#### 3.2.4 Synchronization to the Database

The state of persistent entities is synchronized to the database at transaction commit. This synchronization involving writing to the database any updates to persistent entities and their relationships as specified above.

An update to the state of an entity includes both the assignment of a new value to a persistent property or field of the entity as well as the modification of a mutable value of a persistent property or field<sup>[28]</sup>.

Synchronization to the database does not involve a refresh of any managed entities unless the refresh operation is explicitly invoked on those entities or cascaded to them as a result of the specification of the cascade=REFRESH or cascade=ALL annotation element value.

<sup>[28]</sup> This includes, for example. modifications to persistent attributes of type char[] and byte[].

Bidirectional relationships between managed entities will be persisted based on references held by the owning side of the relationship. It is the developer's responsibility to keep the in-memory references held on the owning side and those held on the inverse side consistent with each other when they change. In the case of unidirectional one-to-one and one-to-many relationships, it is the developer's responsibility to insure that the semantics of the relationships are adhered to.<sup>[29]</sup>

It is particularly important to ensure that changes to the inverse side of a relationship result in appropriate updates on the owning side, so as to ensure the changes are not lost when they are synchronized to the database.

The persistence provider runtime is permitted to perform synchronization to the database at other times as well when a transaction is active. The flush method can be used by the application to force synchronization. It applies to entities associated with the persistence context. The EntityManager and Query setFlushMode methods can be used to control synchronization semantics. The effect of FlushModeType.AUTO is defined in section 3.8.7. If FlushModeType.COMMIT is specified, flushing will occur at transaction commit; the persistence provider is permitted, but not required, to perform to flush at other times. If there is no transaction active, the persistence provider must not flush to the database.

The semantics of the flush operation, applied to an entity *X* are as follows:

- If X is a managed entity, it is synchronized to the database.
  - For all entities Y referenced by a relationship from X, if the relationship to Y has been annotated with the cascade element value cascade=PERSIST or cascade=ALL, the persist operation is applied to Y.
  - For any entity Y referenced by a relationship from X, where the relationship to Y has not been annotated with the cascade element value cascade=PERSIST or cascade=ALL:
    - If Y is new or removed, an IllegalStateException will be thrown by the flush operation (and the transaction marked for rollback) or the transaction commit will fail.
    - If Y is detached, the semantics depend upon the ownership of the relationship. If X owns the relationship, any changes to the relationship are synchronized with the database; otherwise, if Y owns the relationships, the behavior is undefined.
- If X is a removed entity, it is removed from the database. No cascade options are relevant.

# 3.2.5 Refreshing an Entity Instance

The state of a managed entity instance is refreshed from the database by invoking the refresh method on it or by cascading the refresh operation.

<sup>[29]</sup> This might be an issue if unique constraints (such as those described for the default mappings in sections 2.10.3.1 and 2.10.5.1) were not applied in the definition of the object/relational mapping.

The semantics of the refresh operation, applied to an entity X are as follows:

- If X is a managed entity, the state of X is refreshed from the database, overwriting changes
  made to the entity, if any. The refresh operation is cascaded to entities referenced by X if the
  relationship from X to these other entities is annotated with the cascade=REFRESH or
  cascade=ALL annotation element value.
- If X is a new, detached, or removed entity, the IllegalArgumentException is thrown.

#### 3.2.6 Evicting an Entity Instance from the Persistence Context

A entity instance is removed from the persistence context by invoking the detach method on it or cascading the detach operation. Changes made to the entity, if any (including removal of the entity), will not be synchronized to the database after such eviction has taken place.

Applications must use the flush method prior to the detach method to ensure portable semantics if changes have been made to the entity (including removal of the entity). Because the persistence provider is allowed to write to the database at times other than the explicit invocation of the flush method, portable applications must not assume that changes have not been written to the database if the flush method has not been called prior to detach.

The semantics of the detach operation, applied to an entity X are as follows:

- If X is a managed entity, the detach operation causes it to become detached. The detach operation is cascaded to entities referenced by X if the relationships from X to these other entities is annotated with the cascade=DETACH or cascade=ALL annotation element value. Entities which previously referenced X will continue to reference X.
- If X is a new or detached entity, it is ignored by the detach operation.
- If X is a removed entity, the detach operation is cascaded to entities referenced by X if the relationships from X to these other entities is annotated with the cascade=DETACH or cascade=ALL annotation element value. Entities which previously referenced X will continue to reference X. Portable applications should not pass removed entities that have been detached from the persistence context to further EntityManager operations.

#### 3.2.7 Detached Entities

A detached entity results from transaction commit if a transaction-scoped container-managed entity manager is used (see section 3.3); from transaction rollback (see section 3.3.2); from detaching the entity from the persistence context; from clearing the persistence context; from closing an entity manager; or from serializing an entity or otherwise passing an entity by value—e.g., to a separate application tier, through a remote interface, etc.

Detached entity instances continue to live outside of the persistence context in which they were persisted or retrieved. Their state is no longer guaranteed to be synchronized with the database state.

The application may access the available state of available detached entity instances after the persistence context ends. The available state includes:

- Any persistent field or property not marked fetch=LAZY
- Any persistent field or property that was accessed by the application

If the persistent field or property is an association, the available state of an associated instance may only be safely accessed if the associated instance is available. The available instances include:

- Any entity instance retrieved using find().
- Any entity instances retrieved using a query or explicitly requested in a fetch join.
- Any entity instance for which an instance variable holding non-primary-key persistent state was accessed by the application.
- Any entity instance that can be reached from another available instance by navigating associations marked fetch=EAGER.

# 3.2.7.1 Merging Detached Entity State

The merge operation allows for the propagation of state from detached entities onto persistent entities managed by the entity manager.

The semantics of the merge operation applied to an entity X are as follows:

- If X is a detached entity, the state of X is copied onto a pre-existing managed entity instance X' of the same identity or a new managed copy X' of X is created.
- If X is a new entity instance, a new managed entity instance X' is created and the state of X is *copied* into the new managed entity instance X'.
- If X is a removed entity instance, an IllegalArgumentException will be thrown by the merge operation (or the transaction commit will fail).
- If X is a managed entity, it is ignored by the merge operation, however, the merge operation is cascaded to entities referenced by relationships from X if these relationships have been annotated with the cascade element value cascade=MERGE or cascade=ALL annotation.
- For all entities Y referenced by relationships from X having the cascade element value cascade=MERGE or cascade=ALL, Y is merged recursively as Y'. For all such Y referenced by X, X' is set to reference Y'. (Note that if X is managed then X is the same object as X'.)
- If X is an entity merged to X', with a reference to another entity Y, where cascade=MERGE or cascade=ALL is not specified, then navigation of the same association from X' yields a reference to a managed object Y' with the same persistent identity as Y.

The persistence provider must not merge fields marked LAZY that have not been fetched: it must ignore such fields when merging.

Any Version columns used by the entity must be checked by the persistence runtime implementation during the merge operation and/or at flush or commit time. In the absence of Version columns there is no additional version checking done by the persistence provider runtime during the merge operation.

#### 3.2.7.2 Detached Entities and Lazy Loading

Serializing entities and merging those entities back into a persistence context may not be interoperable across vendors when lazy properties or fields and/or relationships are used.

A vendor is required to support the serialization and subsequent deserialization and merging of detached entity instances (which may contain lazy properties or fields and/or relationships that have not been fetched) back into a separate JVM instance of that vendor's runtime, where both runtime instances have access to the entity classes and any required vendor persistence implementation classes.

When interoperability across vendors is required, the application must not use lazy loading.

#### 3.2.8 Managed Instances

It is the responsibility of the application to insure that an instance is managed in only a single persistence context. The behavior is undefined if the same Java instance is made managed in more than one persistence context.

The contains () method can be used to determine whether an entity instance is managed in the current persistence context.

The contains method returns true:

- If the entity has been retrieved from the database or has been returned by getReference, and has not been removed or detached.
- If the entity instance is new, and the persist method has been called on the entity or the persist operation has been cascaded to it.

The contains method returns false:

- If the instance is detached.
- If the remove method has been called on the entity, or the remove operation has been cascaded to it.
- If the instance is new, and the persist method has not been called on the entity or the persist operation has not been cascaded to it.

Note that the effect of the cascading of persist, merge, remove, or detach is immediately visible to the contains method, whereas the actual insertion, modification, or deletion of the database representation for the entity may be deferred until the end of the transaction.

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#### 3.2.9 Load State

An entity is considered to be loaded if all attributes with FetchType.EAGER—whether explictly specified or by default—(including relationship and other collection-valued attributes) have been loaded from the database or assigned by the application. Attributes with FetchType.LAZY may or may not have been loaded. The available state of the entity instance and associated instances is as described in section 3.2.7.

An attribute that is an embeddable is considered to be loaded if the embeddable attribute was loaded from the database or assigned by the application, and, if the attribute references an embeddable instance (i.e., is not null), the embeddable instance state is known to be loaded (i.e., all attributes of the embeddable with FetchType.EAGER have been loaded from the database or assigned by the application).

A collection-valued attribute is considered to be loaded if the collection was loaded from the database or the value of the attribute was assigned by the application, and, if the attribute references a collection instance (i.e., is not null), each element of the collection (e.g. entity or embeddable) is considered to be loaded.

A single-valued relationship attribute is considered to be loaded if the relationship attribute was loaded from the database or assigned by the application, and, if the attribute references an entity instance (i.e., is not null), the entity instance state is known to be loaded.

A basic attribute is considered to be loaded if its state has been loaded from the database or assigned by the application.

The PersistenceUtil.isLoaded methods can be used to determine the load state of an entity and its attributes regardless of the persistence unit with which the entity is associated. The PersistenceUtil.isLoaded methods return true if the above conditions hold, and false otherwise. If the persistence unit is known, the PersistenceUnitUtil.isLoaded methods can be used instead. See section 7.11.

Persistence provider contracts for determining the load state of an entity or entity attribute are described in section 9.7.1.

## 3.3 Persistence Context Lifetime

The lifetime of a container-managed persistence context can either be scoped to a transaction (transaction-scoped persistence context), or have a lifetime scope that extends beyond that of a single transaction (extended persistence context). The enum PersistenceContextType is used to define the persistence context lifetime scope for container-managed entity managers. The persistence context lifetime scope is defined when the EntityManager instance is created (whether explicitly, or in conjunction with injection or JNDI lookup). See Section 7.6.

```
package javax.persistence;
public enum PersistenceContextType {
   TRANSACTION,
   EXTENDED
}
```

By default, the lifetime of the persistence context of a container-managed entity manager corresponds to the scope of a transaction (i.e., it is of type PersistenceContextType.TRANSACTION).

When an extended persistence context is used, the extended persistence context exists from the time the EntityManager instance is created until it is closed. This persistence context might span multiple transactions and non-transactional invocations of the EntityManager. A container-managed extended persistence context is enlisted in the current transaction when the EntityManager is invoked in the scope of that transaction or when the stateful session bean to which the extended persistence context is bound is invoked in the scope of that transaction.

An EntityManager with an extended persistence context maintains its references to the entity objects after a transaction has committed. Those objects remain managed by the EntityManager, and they can be updated as managed objects between transactions.<sup>[30]</sup> Navigation from a managed object in an extended persistence context results in one or more other managed objects regardless of whether a transaction is active.

When an EntityManager with an extended persistence context is used, the persist, remove, merge, and refresh operations can be called regardless of whether a transaction is active. The effects of these operations will be committed to the database when the extended persistence context is enlisted in a transaction and the transaction commits.

The scope of the persistence context of an application-managed entity manager is extended. It is the responsibility of the application to manage the lifecycle of the persistence context.

Container-managed persistence contexts are described further in section 7.6. Persistence contexts managed by the application are described further in section 7.7.

<sup>[30]</sup> Note that when a new transaction is begun, the managed objects in an extended persistence context are *not* reloaded from the database.

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#### 3.3.1 Transaction Commit

The managed entities of a transaction-scoped persistence context become detached when the transaction commits; the managed entities of an extended persistence context remain managed.

#### 3.3.2 Transaction Rollback

For both transaction-scoped and extended persistence contexts, transaction rollback causes all *pre-exist-ing* managed instances and removed instances<sup>[31]</sup> to become detached. The instances' state will be the state of the instances at the point at which the transaction was rolled back. Transaction rollback typically causes the persistence context to be in an inconsistent state at the point of rollback. In particular, the state of version attributes and generated state (e.g., generated primary keys) may be inconsistent. Instances that were formerly managed by the persistence context (including new instances that were made persistent in that transaction) may therefore not be reusable in the same manner as other detached objects—for example, they may fail when passed to the merge operation. [32]

# 3.4 Locking and Concurrency

This specification assumes the use of optimistic concurrency control. It assumes that the databases to which persistence units are mapped will be accessed by the implementation using read-committed isolation (or a vendor equivalent in which long-term read locks are not held), and that writes to the database will typically occur only when the flush method has been invoked—whether explicitly by the application, or by the persistence provider runtime in accordance with the flush mode setting.

If a transaction is active, a compliant implementation of this specification is permitted to write to the database immediately (i.e., whenever a managed entity is updated, created, and/or removed), however, the configuration of an implementation to require such non-deferred database writes is outside the scope of this specification. [33]

In addition, both pessimistic and optimistic locking are supported for selected entities by means of specified lock modes. Optimistic locking is described in sections 3.4.1 and 3.4.2; pessimistic locking in section 3.4.3. Section 3.4.4 describes the setting of optimistic and pessimistic lock modes. The configuration of the setting of optimistic lock modes is described in section 3.4.4.1, and the configuration of the setting of pessimistic lock modes is described in section 3.4.4.2.

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<sup>[31]</sup> These are instances that were persistent in the database at the start of the transaction.

<sup>[32]</sup> It is unspecified as to whether instances that were not persistent in the database behave as new instances or detached instances after rollback. This may be implementation-dependent.

<sup>[33]</sup> Applications may require that database isolation levels higher than read-committed be in effect. The configuration of the setting database isolation levels, however, is outside the scope of this specification.

# 3.4.1 Optimistic Locking

Optimistic locking is a technique that is used to insure that updates to the database data corresponding to the state of an entity are made only when no intervening transaction has updated that data since the entity state was read. This insures that updates or deletes to that data are consistent with the current state of the database and that intervening updates are not lost. Transactions that would cause this constraint to be violated result in an OptimisticLockException being thrown and the transaction marked for rollback.

Portable applications that wish to enable optimistic locking for entities must specify Version attributes for those entities—i.e., persistent properties or fields annotated with the Version annotation or specified in the XML descriptor as version attributes. Applications are strongly encouraged to enable optimistic locking for all entities that may be concurrently accessed or that may be merged from a disconnected state. Failure to use optimistic locking may lead to inconsistent entity state, lost updates and other state irregularities. If optimistic locking is not defined as part of the entity state, the application must bear the burden of maintaining data consistency.

# 3.4.2 Version Attributes

The Version field or property is used by the persistence provider to perform optimistic locking. It is accessed and/or set by the persistence provider in the course of performing lifecycle operations on the entity instance. An entity is automatically enabled for optimistic locking if it has a property or field mapped with a Version mapping.

An entity may access the state of its version field or property or export a method for use by the application to access the version, but must not modify the version value<sup>[34]</sup>. With the exception noted in section 4.10, only the persistence provider is permitted to set or update the value of the version attribute in the object.

The version attribute is updated by the persistence provider runtime when the object is written to the database. All non-relationship fields and properties and all relationships owned by the entity are included in version checks<sup>[35]</sup>.

The persistence provider's implementation of the merge operation must examine the version attribute when an entity is being merged and throw an OptimisticLockException if it is discovered that the object being merged is a stale copy of the entity—i.e. that the entity has been updated since the entity became detached. Depending on the implementation strategy used, it is possible that this exception may not be thrown until flush is called or commit time, whichever happens first.

The persistence provider runtime is required to use only the version attribute when performing optimistic lock checking. Persistence provider implementations may provide additional mechanisms beside version attributes to enable optimistic lock checking. However, support for such mechanisms is not required of an implementation of this specification.<sup>[36]</sup>

<sup>[34]</sup> Bulk update statements, however, are permitted to set the value of version attributes. See section 4.10.

<sup>[35]</sup> This includes owned relationships maintained in join tables.

<sup>[36]</sup> Such additional mechanisms may be standardized by a future release of this specification.

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If only some entities contain version attributes, the persistence provider runtime is required to check those entities for which version attributes have been specified. The consistency of the object graph is not guaranteed, but the absence of version attributes on some of the entities will not stop operations from completing.

# 3.4.3 Pessimistic Locking

While optimistic locking is typically appropriate in dealing with moderate contention among concurrent transactions, in some applications it may be useful to immediately obtain long-term database locks for selected entities because of the often late failure of optimistic transactions. Such immediately obtained long-term database locks are referred to here as "pessimistic" locks.<sup>[37]</sup>

Pessimistic locking guarantees that once a transaction has obtained a pessimistic lock on an entity instance:

- no other transaction (whether a transaction of an application using the Java Persistence API or
  any other transaction using the underlying resource) may successfully modify or delete that
  instance until the transaction holding the lock has ended.
- if the pessimistic lock is an exclusive lock<sup>[38]</sup>, that same transaction may modify or delete that entity instance.

When an entity instance is locked using pessimistic locking, the persistence provider must lock the database row(s) that correspond to the non-collection-valued persistent state of that instance. If a joined inheritance strategy is used, or if the entity is otherwise mapped to a secondary table, this entails locking the row(s) for the entity instance in the additional table(s). Entity relationships for which the locked entity contains the foreign key will also be locked, but not the state of the referenced entities (unless those entities are explicitly locked). Element collections and relationships for which the entity does not contain the foreign key (such as relationships that are mapped to join tables or unidirectional one-to-many relationships for which the target entity contains the foreign key) will not be locked by default.

Element collections and relationships owned by the entity that are contained in join tables will be locked if the javax.persistence.lock.scope property is specified with a value of PessimisticLockScope.EXTENDED. The state of entities referenced by such relationships will not be locked (unless those entities are explicitly locked). This property may be passed as an argument to the methods of the EntityManager, Query, and TypedQuery interfaces that allow lock modes to be specified or used with the NamedQuery annotation.

Locking such a relationship or element collection generally locks only the rows in the join table or collection table for that relationship or collection. This means that phantoms will be possible.

<sup>[37]</sup> Implementations are permitted to use database mechanisms other than locking to achieve the semantic effects described here, for example, multiversion concurrency control mechanisms.

<sup>[38]</sup> This is achieved by using a lock with LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE or LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_IN-CREMENT as described in section 3.4.4.

The values of the javax.persistence.lock.scope property are defined by the PessimisticLockScope enum.

```
package javax.persistence;
public enum PessimisticLockScope {
    NORMAL,
    EXTENDED
}
```

This specification does not define the mechanisms a persistence provider uses to obtain database locks, and a portable application should not rely on how pessimistic locking is achieved on the database.<sup>[39]</sup> In particular, a persistence provider or the underlying database management system may lock more rows than the ones selected by the application.

Whenever a pessimistically locked entity containing a version attribute is updated on the database, the persistence provider must also update (increment) the entity's version column to enable correct interaction with applications using optimistic locking. See sections 3.4.2 and 3.4.4.

Pessimistic locking may be applied to entities that do not contain version attributes. However, in this case correct interaction with applications using optimistic locking cannot be ensured.

# 3.4.4 Lock Modes

Lock modes are intended to provide a facility that enables the effect of "repeatable read" semantics for the items read, whether "optimistically" (as described in section 3.4.4.1) or "pessimistically" (as described in section 3.4.4.2).

Lock modes can be specified by means of the EntityManager lock method, the methods of the EntityManager and Query interfaces that allow lock modes to be specified, and the NamedQuery annotation.

Lock mode values are defined by the LockModeType enum. Six distinct lock modes are defined. The lock mode type values READ and WRITE are synonyms of OPTIMISTIC and OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT respectively. [40] The latter are to be preferred for new applications.

<sup>[39]</sup> For example, a persistence provider may use an underlying database platform's SELECT FOR UPDATE statements to implement pessimistic locking if that construct provides appropriate semantics, or the provider may use an isolation level of repeatable read.

<sup>[40]</sup> The lock mode type NONE may be specified as a value of lock mode arguments and also provides a default value for annotations.

```
package javax.persistence;

public enum LockModeType {
    READ,
    WRITE,
    OPTIMISTIC,
    OPTIMISTIC_FORCE_INCREMENT,
    PESSIMISTIC_READ,
    PESSIMISTIC_WRITE,
    PESSIMISTIC_FORCE_INCREMENT,
    NONE
}
```

# 3.4.4.1 OPTIMISTIC, OPTIMISTIC FORCE INCREMENT

The lock modes OPTIMISTIC and OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT are used for optimistic locking. The lock mode type values READ and WRITE are synonymous with OPTIMISTIC and OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT respectively.

The semantics of requesting locks of type LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC and LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT are the following.

If transaction T1 calls lock(entity, LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC) on a versioned object, the entity manager must ensure that neither of the following phenomena can occur:

- P1 (Dirty read): Transaction T1 modifies a row. Another transaction T2 then reads that row and obtains the modified value, before T1 has committed or rolled back. Transaction T2 eventually commits successfully; it does not matter whether T1 commits or rolls back and whether it does so before or after T2 commits.
- P2 (Non-repeatable read): Transaction T1 reads a row. Another transaction T2 then modifies or deletes that row, before T1 has committed. Both transactions eventually commit successfully.

This will generally be achieved by the entity manager acquiring a lock on the underlying database row. While with optimistic concurrency concurrency, long-term database read locks are typically not obtained immediately, a compliant implementation is permitted to obtain an immediate lock (so long as it is retained until commit completes). If the lock is deferred until commit time, it must be retained until the commit completes. Any implementation that supports repeatable reads in a way that prevents the above phenomena is permissible.

The persistence implementation is not required to support calling lock(entity, LockMode-Type.OPTIMISTIC) on a non-versioned object. When it cannot support such a lock call, it must throw the PersistenceException. When supported, whether for versioned or non-versioned objects, LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC must always prevent the phenomena P1 and P2. Applications that call lock(entity, LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC) on non-versioned objects will not be portable.

If transaction T1 calls lock(entity, LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT) on a versioned object, the entity manager must avoid the phenomena P1 and P2 (as with LockMode-Type.OPTIMISTIC) and must also force an update (increment) to the entity's version column. A forced version update may be performed immediately, or may be deferred until a flush or commit. If an entity is removed before a deferred version update was to have been applied, the forced version update is omitted.

The persistence implementation is not required to support calling lock(entity, LockMode-Type.OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT) on a non-versioned object. When it cannot support such a lock call, it must throw the PersistenceException. When supported, whether for versioned or non-versioned objects, LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT must always prevent the phenomena P1 and P2. For non-versioned objects, whether or not LockMode-Type.OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT has any additional behavior is vendor-specific. Applications that call lock(entity, LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT) on non-versioned objects will not be portable.

For versioned objects, it is permissible for an implementation to use LockMode-Type.OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT where LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC was requested, but not vice versa.

If a versioned object is otherwise updated or removed, then the implementation must ensure that the requirements of LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT are met, even if no explicit call to EntityManager.lock was made.

For portability, an application should not depend on vendor-specific hints or configuration to ensure repeatable read for objects that are not updated or removed via any mechanism other than the use of version attributes and the EntityManager lock method. However, it should be noted that if an implementation has acquired up-front pessimistic locks on some database rows, then it is free to ignore lock(entity, LockModeType.OPTIMISTIC) calls on the entity objects representing those rows.

# 3.4.4.2 PESSIMISTIC\_READ, PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE, PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT

The lock modes PESSIMISTIC\_READ, PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE, and PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT are used to immediately obtain long-term database locks. [41]

The semantics of requesting locks of type LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ, LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE, and LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT are the following.

If transaction Tl calls lock(entity, LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ) or lock(entity, LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE) on an object, the entity manager must ensure that neither of the following phenomena can occur:

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<sup>[41]</sup> Databases concurrency control mechanisms that provide comparable semantics, e.g., multiversion concurrency control, can be used by the provider.

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- P1 (Dirty read): Transaction T1 modifies a row. Another transaction T2 then reads that row and obtains the modified value, before T1 has committed or rolled back.
- P2 (Non-repeatable read): Transaction T1 reads a row. Another transaction T2 then modifies or deletes that row, before T1 has committed or rolled back.

Any such lock must be obtained immediately and retained until transaction T1 completes (commits or rolls back).

Avoidance of phenomena P1 and P2 is generally achieved by the entity manager acquiring a long-term lock on the underlying database row(s). Any implementation that supports pessimistic repeatable reads as described above is permissible.

A lock with LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE can be obtained on an entity instance to force serialization among transactions attempting to update the entity data. A lock with LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ can be used to query data using repeatable-read semantics without the need to reread the data at the end of the transaction to obtain a lock, and without blocking other transactions reading the data. A lock with LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE can be used when querying data and there is a high likelihood of deadlock or update failure among concurrent updating transactions.

The persistence implementation must support calling lock(entity, LockModeType.PESSI-MISTIC\_READ) and lock(entity, LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE) on a non-versioned entity as well as on a versioned entity.

It is permissible for an implementation to use LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE where LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ was requested, but not vice versa.

When the lock cannot be obtained, and the database locking failure results in transaction-level rollback, the provider must throw the PessimisticLockException and ensure that the JTA transaction or EntityTransaction has been marked for rollback.

When the lock cannot be obtained, and the database locking failure results in only statement-level roll-back, the provider must throw the LockTimeoutException (and must not mark the transaction for rollback).

When an application locks an entity with LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ and later updates that entity, the lock must be converted to an exclusive lock when the entity is flushed to the database [42]. If the lock conversion fails, and the database locking failure results in transaction-level rollback, the provider must throw the PessimisticLockException and ensure that the JTA transaction or EntityTransaction has been marked for rollback. When the lock conversion fails, and the database locking failure results in only statement-level rollback, the provider must throw the LockTimeoutException (and must not mark the transaction for rollback).

<sup>[42]</sup> The persistence provider is not required to flush the entity to the database immediately.

When lock(entity, LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ), lock(entity, LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_-ModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_-FORCE\_INCREMENT) is invoked on a versioned entity that is already in the persistence context, the provider must also perform optimistic version checks when obtaining the lock. An Optimistic clockException must be thrown if the version checks fail. Depending on the implementation strategy used by the provider, it is possible that this exception may not be thrown until flush is called or commit time, whichever occurs first.

If transaction T1 calls lock(entity, LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT) on a versioned object, the entity manager must avoid the phenomenon P1 and P2 (as with LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ and LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE) and must also force an update (increment) to the entity's version column.

The persistence implementation is not required to support calling lock(entity, LockMode-Type.PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT) on a non-versioned object. When it cannot support such a lock call, it must throw the PersistenceException. When supported, whether for versioned or non-versioned objects, LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT must always prevent the phenomena P1 and P2. For non-versioned objects, whether or not LockMode-Type.PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT has any additional behavior is vendor-specific. Applications that call lock(entity, LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT) on non-versioned objects will not be portable.

For versioned objects, it is permissible for an implementation to use LockMode-Type.PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT where LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ or LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE was requested, but not vice versa.

If a versioned object locked with LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ or LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE is updated, then the implementation must ensure that the requirements of LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT are met.

#### 3.4.4.3 Lock Mode Properties and Uses

The following property is defined by this specification for use in pessimistic locking, as described in section 3.4.3:

```
javax.persistence.lock.scope
```

This property may be used with the methods of the EntityManager interface that allow lock modes to be specified, the Query.setLockMode method and the NamedQuery annotation. When specified, this property must be observed. The provider is permitted to lock more (but not fewer) rows than requested.

The following hint is defined by this specification for use in pessimistic locking.

```
javax.persistence.lock.timeout // time in milliseconds
```

This hint may be used with the methods of the EntityManager interface that allow lock modes to be specified, the Query.setLockMode method and the NamedQuery annotation. It may also be passed as a property to the Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory method and used in the properties element of the persistence.xml file. See sections 3.1.1, 3.8.8, 8.2.1.9, 9.6, and 10.3.1. When used in the createEntityManagerFactory method, the persistence.xml file, and the NamedQuery annotation, the timeout hint serves as a default value which can be selectively overridden by use in the methods of the EntityManager and Query interfaces as specified above. When this hint is not specified, database timeout values are assumed to apply.

A timeout value of 0 is used to specify "no wait" locking.

Portable applications should not rely on this hint. Depending on the database in use and the locking mechanisms used by the persistence provider, the hint may or may not be observed.

Vendors are permitted to support the use of additional, vendor-specific locking hints. Vendor-specific hints must not use the javax.persistence namespace. Vendor-specific hints must be ignored if they are not understood.

If the same property or hint is specified more than once, the following order of overriding applies, in order of decreasing precedence:

- argument to method of EntityManager or Query interface
- specification to NamedQuery (annotation or XML)
- argument to createEntityManagerFactory method
- specification in persistence.xml

#### 3.4.5 OptimisticLockException

Provider implementations may defer writing to the database until the end of the transaction, when consistent with the lock mode and flush mode settings in effect. In this case, an optimistic lock check may not occur until commit time, and the OptimisticLockException may be thrown in the "before completion" phase of the commit. If the OptimisticLockException must be caught or handled by the application, the flush method should be used by the application to force the database writes to occur. This will allow the application to catch and handle optimistic lock exceptions.

The OptimisticLockException provides an API to return the object that caused the exception to be thrown. The object reference is not guaranteed to be present every time the exception is thrown but should be provided whenever the persistence provider can supply it. Applications cannot rely upon this object being available.

In some cases an OptimisticLockException will be thrown and wrapped by another exception, such as a RemoteException, when VM boundaries are crossed. Entities that may be referenced in wrapped exceptions should implement Serializable so that marshalling will not fail.

An OptimisticLockException always causes the transaction to be marked for rollback.

Refreshing objects or reloading objects in a new transaction context and then retrying the transaction is a potential response to an OptimisticLockException.

# 3.5 Entity Listeners and Callback Methods

A method may be designated as a lifecycle callback method to receive notification of entity lifecycle events. A lifecycle callback method can be defined on an entity class, a mapped superclass, or an entity listener class associated with an entity or mapped superclass. An entity listener class is a class whose methods are invoked in response to lifecycle events on an entity. Any number of entity listener classes can be defined for an entity class or mapped superclass.

Default entity listeners—entity listeners that apply to all entities in the persistence unit—can be specified by means of the XML descriptor.

Lifecycle callback methods and entity listener classes are defined by means of metadata annotations or the XML descriptor. When annotations are used, one or more entity listener classes are denoted using the EntityListeners annotation on the entity class or mapped superclass. If multiple entity listeners are defined, the order in which they are invoked is determined by the order in which they are specified in the EntityListeners annotation. The XML descriptor may be used as an alternative to specify the invocation order of entity listeners or to override the order specified in metadata annotations.

Any subset or combination of annotations may be specified on an entity class, mapped superclass, or listener class. A single class must not have more than one lifecycle callback method for the same lifecycle event. The same method may be used for multiple callback events.

Multiple entity classes and mapped superclasses in an inheritance hierarchy may define listener classes and/or lifecycle callback methods directly on the class. Section 3.5.4 describes the rules that apply to method invocation order in this case.

The entity listener class must have a public no-arg constructor.

Entity listeners are stateless. The lifecycle of an entity listener is unspecified.

The following rules apply to lifecycle callbacks:

- Lifecycle callback methods may throw unchecked/runtime exceptions. A runtime exception
  thrown by a callback method that executes within a transaction causes that transaction to be
  marked for rollback.
- Lifecycle callbacks can invoke JNDI, JDBC, JMS, and enterprise beans.
- In general, the lifecycle method of a portable application should not invoke EntityManager or Query operations, access other entity instances, or modify relationships within the same persistence context. [43] A lifecycle callback method may modify the non-relationship state of the entity on which it is invoked.

<sup>[43]</sup> The semantics of such operations may be standardized in a future release of this specification.

When invoked from within a Java EE environment, the callback listeners for an entity share the enterprise naming context of the invoking component, and the entity callback methods are invoked in the transaction and security contexts of the calling component at the time at which the callback method is invoked. [44]

#### 3.5.1 Lifecycle Callback Methods

Entity lifecycle callback methods can be defined on an entity listener class and/or directly on an entity class or mapped superclass.

Lifecycle callback methods are annotated with annotations designating the callback events for which they are invoked or are mapped to the callback event using the XML descriptor.

The annotations used for callback methods on the entity class or mapped superclass and for callback methods on the entity listener class are the same. The signatures of individual methods, however, differ.

Callback methods defined on an entity class or mapped superclass have the following signature:

```
void <METHOD>()
```

Callback methods defined on an entity listener class have the following signature:

```
void <METHOD>(Object)
```

The Object argument is the entity instance for which the callback method is invoked. It may be declared as the actual entity type.

The callback methods can have public, private, protected, or package level access, but must not be static or final.

The following annotations designate lifecycle event callback methods of the corresponding types.

- PrePersist
- PostPersist
- PreRemove
- PostRemove
- PreUpdate
- PostUpdate
- PostLoad

<sup>[44]</sup> For example, if a transaction commit occurs as a result of the normal termination of a session bean business method with transaction attribute RequiresNew, the PostPersist and PostRemove callbacks are executed in the naming context, the transaction context, and the security context of that component.

#### 3.5.2 Semantics of the Life Cycle Callback Methods for Entities

The PrePersist and PreRemove callback methods are invoked for a given entity before the respective EntityManager persist and remove operations for that entity are executed. For entities to which the merge operation has been applied and causes the creation of newly managed instances, the PrePersist callback methods will be invoked for the managed instance after the entity state has been copied to it. These PrePersist and PreRemove callbacks will also be invoked on all entities to which these operations are cascaded. The PrePersist and PreRemove methods will always be invoked as part of the synchronous persist, merge, and remove operations.

The PostPersist and PostRemove callback methods are invoked for an entity after the entity has been made persistent or removed. These callbacks will also be invoked on all entities to which these operations are cascaded. The PostPersist and PostRemove methods will be invoked after the database insert and delete operations respectively. These database operations may occur directly after the persist, merge, or remove operations have been invoked or they may occur directly after a flush operation has occurred (which may be at the end of the transaction). Generated primary key values are available in the PostPersist method.

The PreUpdate and PostUpdate callbacks occur before and after the database update operations to entity data respectively. These database operations may occur at the time the entity state is updated or they may occur at the time state is flushed to the database (which may be at the end of the transaction).

Note that it is implementation-dependent as to whether PreUpdate and PostUpdate callbacks occur when an entity is persisted and subsequently modified in a single transaction or when an entity is modified and subsequently removed within a single transaction. Portable applications should not rely on such behavior.

The PostLoad method for an entity is invoked after the entity has been loaded into the current persistence context from the database or after the refresh operation has been applied to it. The PostLoad method is invoked before a query result is returned or accessed or before an association is traversed.

It is implementation-dependent as to whether callback methods are invoked before or after the cascading of the lifecycle events to related entities. Applications should not depend on this ordering.

#### **3.5.3 Example**

```
@Entity
@EntityListeners(com.acme.AlertMonitor.class)
public class Account {
    Long accountId;
    Integer balance;
    boolean preferred;
    @Td
    public Long getAccountId() { ... }
    public Integer getBalance() { ... }
    @Transient // because status depends upon non-persistent context
    public boolean isPreferred() { ... }
    public void deposit(Integer amount) { ... }
   public Integer withdraw(Integer amount) throws NSFException {... }
    @PrePersist
    protected void validateCreate() {
        if (getBalance() < MIN_REQUIRED_BALANCE)</pre>
        throw new AccountException("Insufficient balance to open an
account");
    }
    @PostLoad
    protected void adjustPreferredStatus() {
        preferred =
            (getBalance() >= AccountManager.getPreferredStatu-
sLevel());
public class AlertMonitor {
    @PostPersist
    public void newAccountAlert(Account acct) {
        Alerts.sendMarketingInfo(acct.getAccountId(), acct.getBal-
ance());
```

# 3.5.4 Multiple Lifecycle Callback Methods for an Entity Lifecycle Event

If multiple callback methods are defined for an entity lifecycle event, the ordering of the invocation of these methods is as follows.

Default listeners, if any, are invoked first, in the order specified in the XML descriptor. Default listeners apply to all entities in the persistence unit, unless explicitly excluded by means of the ExcludeDefaultListeners annotation or exclude-default-listeners XML element.

The lifecycle callback methods defined on the entity listener classes for an entity class or mapped superclass are invoked in the same order as the specification of the entity listener classes in the EntityListeners annotation.

If multiple classes in an inheritance hierarchy—entity classes and/or mapped superclasses—define entity listeners, the listeners defined for a superclass are invoked before the listeners defined for its subclasses in this order. The ExcludeSuperclassListeners annotation or exclude-superclass-listeners XML element may be applied to an entity class or mapped superclass to exclude the invocation of the listeners defined by the entity listener classes for the superclasses of the entity or mapped superclass. The excluded listeners are excluded from the class to which the ExcludeSuperclassListeners annotation or element has been specified and its subclasses. The Exclude-SuperclassListeners annotation (or exclude-superclass-listeners XML element) does not cause default entity listeners to be excluded from invocation.

If a lifecycle callback method for the same lifecycle event is also specified on the entity class and/or one or more of its entity or mapped superclasses, the callback methods on the entity class and/or superclasses are invoked after the other lifecycle callback methods, most general superclass first. A class is permitted to override an inherited callback method of the same callback type, and in this case, the overridden method is not invoked. [46]

Callback methods are invoked by the persistence provider runtime in the order specified. If the callback method execution terminates normally, the persistence provider runtime then invokes the next callback method, if any.

The XML descriptor may be used to override the lifecycle callback method invocation order specified in annotations.

# **3.5.5** Example

There are several entity classes and listeners for animals:

<sup>[45]</sup> Excluded listeners may be reintroduced on an entity class by listing them explicitly in the EntityListeners annotation or XML entity-listeners element.

<sup>[46]</sup> If a method overrides an inherited callback method but specifies a different lifecycle event or is not a lifecycle callback method, the overridden method will not be invoked.

```
@Entity
@EntityListeners({CatListener.class, CatListener2.class})
public class Cat extends Pet {
public class PetListener {
    @PostPersist
    protected void postPersistPetListenerMethod(Object pet) {
}
public class CatListener {
    @PostPersist
    protected void postPersistCatListenerMethod(Object cat) {
public class CatListener2 {
    @PostPersist
    protected void postPersistCatListener2Method(Object cat) {
If a PostPersist event occurs on an instance of Cat, the following methods are called in order:
    postPersistPetListenerMethod
    postPersistCatListenerMethod
    postPersistCatListener2Method
    postPersistAnimal
Assume that SiameseCat is defined as a subclass of Cat:
@EntityListeners(SiameseCatListener.class)
@Entity
public class SiameseCat extends Cat {
  @PostPersist
  protected void postPersistSiameseCat() {
}
public class SiameseCatListener {
    @PostPersist
   protected void postPersistSiameseCatListenerMethod(Object cat) {
}
```

If a PostPersist event occurs on an instance of SiameseCat, the following methods are called in order:

```
postPersistPetListenerMethod
postPersistCatListenerMethod
postPersistCatListener2Method
postPersistSiameseCatListenerMethod
postPersistAnimal
postPersistSiameseCat
```

Assume the definition of SiameseCat were instead:

```
@EntityListeners(SiameseCatListener.class)
@Entity
public class SiameseCat extends Cat {
    ...
    @PostPersist
    protected void postPersistAnimal() {
        ...
    }
}
```

In this case, the following methods would be called in order, where postPersistAnimal is the PostPersist method defined in the SiameseCat class:

```
postPersistPetListenerMethod
postPersistCatListenerMethod
postPersistCatListener2Method
postPersistSiameseCatListenerMethod
postPersistAnimal
```

# 3.5.6 Exceptions

Lifecycle callback methods may throw runtime exceptions. A runtime exception thrown by a callback method that executes within a transaction causes that transaction to be marked for rollback. No further lifecycle callback methods will be invoked after a runtime exception is thrown.

# 3.5.7 Specification of Callback Listener Classes and Lifecycle Methods in the XML Descriptor

The XML descriptor can be used as an alternative to metadata annotations to specify entity listener classes and their binding to entities or to override the invocation order of lifecycle callback methods as specified in annotations.

## 3.5.7.1 Specification of Callback Listeners

The entity-listener XML descriptor element is used to specify the lifecycle listener methods of an entity listener class. The lifecycle listener methods are specified by using the pre-persist, post-persist, pre-remove, post-remove, pre-update, post-update, and/or post-load elements.

An entity listener class can define multiple callback methods. However, at most one method of an entity listener class can be designated as a pre-persist method, post-persist method, pre-remove method, post-remove method, pre-update method, post-update method, and/or post-load method, regardless of whether the XML descriptor is used to define entity listeners or whether some combination of annotations and XML descriptor elements is used.

#### 3.5.7.2 Specification of the Binding of Entity Listener Classes to Entities

The entity-listeners subelement of the persistence-unit-defaults element is used to specify the default entity listeners for the persistence unit.

The entity-listeners subelement of the entity or mapped-superclass element is used to specify the entity listener classes for the respective entity or mapped superclass and its subclasses.

The binding of entity listeners to entity classes is additive. The entity listener classes bound to the superclasses of an entity or mapped superclass are applied to it as well.

The exclude-superclass-listeners element specifies that the listener methods for superclasses are not to be invoked for an entity class (or mapped superclass) and its subclasses.

The exclude-default-listeners element specifies that default entity listeners are not to be invoked for an entity class (or mapped superclass) and its subclasses.

Explicitly listing an excluded default or superclass listener for a given entity class or mapped superclass causes it to be applied to that entity or mapped superclass and its subclasses.

In the case of multiple callback methods for a single lifecycle event, the invocation order rules described in section 3.5.4 apply.

#### 3.6 Bean Validation

This specification defines support for use of Bean Validation[8] within Java Persistence applications.

Managed classes (entities, mapped superclasses, and embeddable classes) may be configured to include Bean Validation constraints.

Automatic validation using these constraints is achieved by specifying that Java Persistence delegate validation to the Bean Validation implementation upon the pre-persist, pre-update, and pre-remove entity lifecycle events described in Section 3.5.2.

Validation can also be achieved by the application calling the validate method of a Validator instance upon an instance of a managed class, as described in the Bean Validation specification [8].

Bean Validation

# 3.6.1 Automatic Validation Upon Lifecycle Events

This specification supports the use of bean validation for the automatic validation of entities upon the pre-persist, pre-update, and pre-remove lifecycle validation events. These lifecycle validation events occur immediately after the point at which all the PrePersist, PreUpdate, and PreRemove lifecycle callback method invocations respectively have been completed, or immediately after the point at which such lifecycle callback methods would have been completed (in the event that such callback methods are not present).

In the case where an entity is persisted and subsequently modified in a single transaction or when an entity is modified and subsequently removed in a single transaction, it is implementation dependent as to whether the pre-update validation event occurs. Portable applications should not rely on this behavior.

# 3.6.1.1 Enabling Automatic Validation

The validation-mode element of the persistence.xml file determines whether the automatic lifecycle event validation is in effect. The values of the validation-mode element are AUTO, CALLBACK, NONE. The default validation mode is AUTO.

If the application creates the entity manager factory using the Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory method, the validation mode can be specified using the javax.persistence.validation.mode map key, which will override the value specified (or defaulted) in the persistence.xml file. The map values for this key are "auto", "callback", "none".

If the auto validation mode is specified by the validation-mode element or the javax.persistence.validation.mode property, or if neither the validation-mode element nor the javax.persistence.validation.mode property is specified, and a Bean Validation provider is present in the environment, the persistence provider must perform the automatic validation of entities as described in section 3.6.1.2. If no Bean Validation provider is present in the environment, no lifecycle event validation takes place.

If the callback validation mode is specified by the validation-mode element or the javax.per-sistence.validation.mode property, the persistence provider must perform the lifecycle event validation as described in section 3.6.1.2. It is an error if there is no Bean Validation provider present in the environment, and the provider must throw the PersistenceException if the javax.per-sistence.validation.mode property value "callback" has been passed to the Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory method.

If the none validation mode is specified by the validation-mode element or the javax.per-sistence.validation.mode property, the persistence provider must not perform lifecycle event validation.

## 3.6.1.2 Requirements for Automatic Validation upon Lifecycle Events

For each event type, a list of groups is targeted for validation. By default, the default Bean Validation group (the group Default) will be validated upon the pre-persist and pre-update lifecycle validation events, and no group will be validated upon the pre-remove event.

This default validation behavior can be overridden by specifying the target groups using the following validation properties in the persistence.xml file or by passing these properties in the configuration of the entity manager factory through the createEntityManagerFactory method:

- javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-persist
- javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-update
- javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-remove

The value of a validation property must be a list of the targeted groups. A targeted group must be specified by its fully qualified class name. Names must be separated by a comma.

When one of the above events occurs for an entity, the persistence provider must validate that entity by obtaining a Validator instance from the validator factory in use (see section 3.6.2) and invoking its validate method with the targeted groups. If the list of targeted groups is empty, no validation is performed. If the set of ConstraintViolation objects returned by the validate method is not empty, the persistence provider must throw the javax.validation.ConstraintViolation-Exception containing a reference to the returned set of ConstraintViolation objects, and must mark the transaction for rollback.

The validator instance that is used for automatic validation upon lifecycle events must use a TraversableResolver that has the following behavior:

- Attributes that have not been loaded must not be loaded.
- Validation cascade (@Valid) must not occur for entity associations (single- or multi-valued).

These requirements guarantee that no unloaded attribute or association will be loaded by side effect and that no entity will be validated more than once during a given flush cycle.

Embeddable attributes must be validated only if the Valid annotation has been specified on them.

It is the responsibility of the persistence provider to pass an instance implementing the <code>javax.validation.TraversableResolver</code> interface to the Bean Validation provider by calling ValidatorFactory.usingContext().traversableResolver(tr).getValidator(), where tr is the resolver having the behavior described above.

# 3.6.2 Providing the ValidatorFactory

In Java EE environments, a ValidatorFactory instance is made available by the Java EE container. The container is responsible for passing this validator factory to the persistence provider via the map that is passed as an argument to the createContainerEntityManagerFactory call. The map key used by the container must be the standard property name javax.persistence.validation.factory.

In Java SE environments, the application can pass the ValidatorFactory instance via the map that is passed as an argument to the Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory call. The map key used must be the standard property name javax.persistence.validation.factory. If no ValidatorFactory instance is provided by the application, and if a Bean Validation provider is present in the classpath, the persistence provider must instantiate the ValidatorFactory using the default bootstrapping approach defined by the Bean Validation specification [8], namely Validation.buildDefaultValidatorFactory().

# 3.7 Caching

This specification supports the use of a second-level cache by the persistence provider. The second-level cache, if used, underlies the persistence context, and is largely transparent to the application.

A second-level cache is typically used to enhance performance. Use of a cache, however, may have consequences in terms of the up-to-dateness of the data seen by the application, resulting in "stale reads". A stale read is defined as the reading of entities or entity state that is older than the point at which the persistence context was started.

This specification defines the following portable configuration options that can be used by the application developer to control caching behavior. Persistence providers may support additional provider-specific options, but must observe all specification-defined options.

## 3.7.1 The shared-cache-mode Element

Whether the entities and entity-related state of a persistence unit will be cached is determined by the value of the shared-cache-mode element of the persistence.xml file.

The shared-cache-mode element has five possible values: ALL, NONE, ENABLE\_SELECTIVE, DISABLE\_SELECTIVE, UNSPECIFIED.

A value of ALL causes all entities and entity-related state and data to be cached.

A value of NONE causes caching to be disabled for the persistence unit. Persistence providers must not cache if NONE is specified.

The values ENABLE\_SELECTIVE and DISABLE\_SELECTIVE are used in conjunction with the Cacheable annotation (or XML element). The Cacheable annotation specifies whether an entity should be cached if caching is enabled by the persistence.xml shared-cache-mode element. The Cacheable element is specified on the entity class. It applies to the given entity and its subclasses unless subsequently overridden by a subclass.

- Cacheable (false) means that the entity and its state must not be cached by the provider.
- A value of ENABLE\_SELECTIVE enables the cache and causes entities for which Cacheable(true) (or its XML equivalent) is specified to be cached. Entities for which Cacheable(true) is not specified or for which Cacheable(false) is specified must not be cached.

 A value of DISABLE\_SELECTIVE enables the cache and causes all entities to be cached except those for which Cacheable(false) is specified. Entities for which Cacheable(false) is specified must not be cached.

If either the shared-cache-mode element is not specified in the persistence.xml file or the value of the shared-cache-mode element is UNSPECIFIED, and the javax.persistence.sharedCache.mode property is not specified, the behavior is not defined, and provider-specific defaults may apply. If the shared-cache-mode element and the javax.persistence.sharedCache.mode property are not specified, the semantics of the Cacheable annotation (and XML equivalent) are undefined.

The persistence provider is not required to support use of a second-level cache. If the persistence provider does not support use of a second-level cache or a second-level cache is not installed, this element will be ignored and no caching will occur.

Further control over the second-level cache is described in section 7.10.

#### 3.7.2 Cache Retrieve Mode and Cache Store Mode Properties

Cache retrieve mode and cache store mode properties may be specified at the level of the persistence context by means of the EntityManager setProperty method. These properties may be specified for the EntityManager find and refresh methods and the Query and TypedQuery setHint methods. Cache retrieve mode and/or cache store mode properties specified for the find, refresh, and Query and TypedQuery setHint methods override those specified for the persistence context for the specified find and refresh invocations, and for the execution of the specified queries respectively.

If caching is disabled by the NONE value of the shared-cache-mode element, cache retrieve mode and cache store mode properties must be ignored. Otherwise, if the ENABLE\_SELECTIVE value is specified, but Cacheable(true) is not specified for a particular entity, they are ignored for that entity; if the DISABLE\_SELECTIVE value is specified, they are ignored for any entities for which Cacheable(false) is specified.

Cache retrieve mode and cache store mode properties must be observed when caching is enabled, regardless of whether caching is enabled due to the specification of the shared-cache-mode element or enabled due to provider-specific options. Applications that make use of cache retrieve mode or cache store mode properties but which do not specify the shared-cache-mode element will not be portable.

The cache retrieve mode and cache store mode properties are javax.persistence.cache.retrieveMode and javax.persistence.cache.storeMode respectively. These properties have the semantics defined below.

The retrieveMode property specifies the behavior when data is retrieved by the find methods and by the execution of queries. The retrieveMode property is ignored for the refresh method, which always causes data to be retrieved from the database, not the cache.

```
package javax.persistence;
public enum CacheRetrieveMode {
    /**
    * Read entity data from the cache: this is
    * the default behavior.
    */
    USE,
    /**
    * Bypass the cache: get data directly from
    * the database.
    */
    BYPASS
}
```

The storeMode property specifies the behavior when data is read from the database and when data is committed into the database.

```
package javax.persistence;
public enum CacheStoreMode {
    /**
     * Insert/update entity data into cache when read
     * from database and when committed into database:
     * this is the default behavior. Does not force refresh
     * of already cached items when reading from database.
    USE,
     * Don't insert into cache.
     * /
    BYPASS,
     * Insert/update entity data into cache when read
     * from database and when committed into database.
     * Forces refresh of cache for items read from database.
     * /
    REFRESH
}
```

# 3.8 Query APIs

The Query and TypedQuery APIs are used for the execution of both static queries and dynamic queries. These APIs also support parameter binding and pagination control.

#### 3.8.1 Query Interface

```
package javax.persistence;
import java.util.Calendar;
import java.util.Date;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.Set;
import java.util.Map;
 * Interface used to control query execution.
public interface Query {
     ^{\star} Execute a SELECT query and return the query results
     * as an untyped List.
     * @return a list of the results
       @throws IllegalStateException if called for a Java
               Persistence query language UPDATE or DELETE statement
       @throws QueryTimeoutException if the query execution exceeds
                the query timeout value set and only the statement is
               rolled back
       @throws TransactionRequiredException if a lock mode has
               been set and there is no transaction
       @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking
               fails and the transaction is rolled back
       @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking
               fails and only the statement is rolled back
       @throws PersistenceException if the query execution exceeds
               the query timeout value set and the transaction
               is rolled back
     * /
    List getResultList();
     * Execute a SELECT query that returns a single untyped result.
     * @return the result
     * @throws NoResultException if there is no result
       @throws NonUniqueResultException if more than one result
       @throws IllegalStateException if called for a Java
               Persistence query language UPDATE or DELETE statement
       @throws QueryTimeoutException if the query execution exceeds
                the query timeout value set and only the statement is
               rolled back
       @throws TransactionRequiredException if a lock mode has
               been set and there is no transaction
       @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking
               fails and the transaction is rolled back
       @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking
               fails and only the statement is rolled back
```

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```
* @throws PersistenceException if the query execution exceeds
           the query timeout value set and the transaction
 *
           is rolled back
 * /
Object getSingleResult();
/ * *
* Execute an update or delete statement.
 * @return the number of entities updated or deleted
 * @throws IllegalStateException if called for a Java
           Persistence query language SELECT statement or for
           a criteria query
 * @throws TransactionRequiredException if there is
           no transaction
 * @throws QueryTimeoutException if the statement execution
           exceeds the query timeout value set and only the
           statement is rolled back
  @throws PersistenceException if the query execution exceeds
           the query timeout value set and the transaction
           is rolled back
 * /
int executeUpdate();
/**
 * Set the maximum number of results to retrieve.
 * @param maxResult
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the argument is negative
 * /
Query setMaxResults(int maxResult);
/**
 * The maximum number of results the query object was set to
 * retrieve. Returns Integer.MAX_VALUE if setMaxResults was not
 * applied to the query object.
 * @return maximum number of results
 * /
int getMaxResults();
 * Set the position of the first result to retrieve.
 * @param startPosition position of the first result,
 * numbered from 0
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the argument is negative
Query setFirstResult(int startPosition);
 * The position of the first result the query object was set to
 * retrieve. Returns 0 if setFirstResult was not applied to the
 * query object.
 * @return position of the first result
int getFirstResult();
```

```
* Set a query property or hint. The hints elements may be used
 * to specify query properties and hints. Properties defined by
 * this specification must be observed by the provider.
 ^{\star} Vendor-specific hints that are not recognized by a provider
 * must be silently ignored. Portable applications should not
 * rely on the standard timeout hint. Depending on the database
 * in use and the locking mechanisms used by the provider,
 * this hint may or may not be observed.
 * @param hintName name of the property or hint
 * @param value
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the second argument is not
           valid for the implementation
 * /
Query setHint(String hintName, Object value);
 * Get the properties and hints and associated values that are
 * in effect for the query instance.
 * @return query properties and hints
 * /
Map<String, Object> getHints();
 * Bind the value of a Parameter object.
 * @param param parameter object
* @param value parameter value
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter
           does not correspond to a parameter of the query
 * /
<T> Query setParameter(Parameter<T> param, T value);
 * Bind an instance of java.util.Calendar to a Parameter object.
 * @param param parameter object
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter does not
           correspond to a parameter of the query
 * /
Query setParameter(Parameter<Calendar> param,
                   Calendar value,
                   TemporalType temporalType);
/**
 * Bind an instance of java.util.Date to a Parameter object.
 * @param param parameter object
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter does not
           correspond to a parameter of the query
 * /
Query setParameter(Parameter<Date> param,
                   Date value,
                   TemporalType temporalType);
```

```
* Bind an argument to a named parameter.
 * @param name parameter name
 * @param value parameter value
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter name does
           not correspond to a parameter of the query or if
           the argument is of incorrect type
 * /
Query setParameter(String name, Object value);
 * Bind an instance of java.util.Calendar to a named parameter.
 * @param name parameter name
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter name does
           not correspond to a parameter of the query or if
           the value argument is of incorrect type
 * /
Query setParameter(String name,
                   Calendar value,
                   TemporalType temporalType);
/ * *
 * Bind an instance of java.util.Date to a named parameter.
 * @param name parameter name
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter name does
           not correspond to a parameter of the query or if
           the value argument is of incorrect type
 * /
Query setParameter(String name,
                   Date value,
                   TemporalType temporalType);
/ * *
 * Bind an argument to a positional parameter.
 * @param position
 * @param value parameter value
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if position does not
           correspond to a positional parameter of the
           query or if the argument is of incorrect type
Query setParameter(int position, Object value);
```

```
* Bind an instance of java.util.Calendar to a positional
 * parameter.
 * @param position
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if position does not
           correspond to a positional parameter of the query or
           if the value argument is of incorrect type
 * /
Query setParameter(int position,
                   Calendar value,
                   TemporalType temporalType);
 * Bind an instance of java.util.Date to a positional parameter.
 * @param position
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if position does not
           correspond to a positional parameter of the query or
 *
           if the value argument is of incorrect type
 * /
Query setParameter(int position,
                   Date value,
                   TemporalType temporalType);
/**
 * Get the parameter objects corresponding to the declared
 * parameters of the query.
 * Returns empty set if the query has no parameters.
 * This method is not required to be supported for native
 * queries.
 * @return set of the parameter objects
 * @throws IllegalStateException if invoked on a native
           query when the implementation does not support
           this use
 * /
Set<Parameter<?>> getParameters();
/**
 ^{\star} Get the parameter object corresponding to the declared
 * parameter of the given name.
 * This method is not required to be supported for native
 * queries.
 * @param name
 * @return parameter object
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter of the
           specified name does not exist
 * @throws IllegalStateException if invoked on a native
           query when the implementation does not support
           this use
Parameter<?> getParameter(String name);
```

```
^{\star} Get the parameter object corresponding to the declared
 * parameter of the given name and type.
 * This method is required to be supported for criteria queries
 * @param name parameter name
 * @param type
 * @return parameter object
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter of the
           specified name does not exist or is not assignable
           to the type
 * @throws IllegalStateException if invoked on a native
           query or Java Persistence query language query when
 *
           the implementation does not support this use
 * /
<T> Parameter<T> getParameter(String name, Class<T> type);
* Get the parameter object corresponding to the declared
 * positional parameter with the given position.
 * This method is not required to be supported for native
 * queries.
 * @param position
 * @return parameter object
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter with the
           specified position does not exist
 * @throws IllegalStateException if invoked on a native
           query when the implementation does not support
           this use
 * /
Parameter<?> getParameter(int position);
/**
 * Get the parameter object corresponding to the declared
 * positional parameter with the given position and type.
 * This method is not required to be supported by the provider.
 * @param position
 * @param type
 * @return parameter object
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter with the
           specified position does not exist or is not assignable
           to the type
 * @throws IllegalStateException if invoked on a native
           query or Java Persistence query language query when
           the implementation does not support this use
 * /
<T> Parameter<T> getParameter(int position, Class<T> type);
 * Return a boolean indicating whether a value has been bound
 * to the parameter.
 * @param param parameter object
 * @return boolean indicating whether parameter has been bound
boolean isBound(Parameter<?> param);
```

```
* Return the value bound to the parameter.
 * @param param parameter object
 * @return parameter value
 ^{\star} @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter is not
           a parameter of the query
 * @throws IllegalStateException if the parameter has not been
           been bound
<T> T getParameterValue(Parameter<T> param);
/**
 * Return the value bound to the named parameter.
 * @param name parameter name
 * @return parameter value
 * @throws IllegalStateException if the parameter has not been
           been bound
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter of the
           specified name does not exist
 * /
Object getParameterValue(String name);
/**
 \mbox{\scriptsize *} Return the value bound to the positional parameter.
 * @param position
 * @return parameter value
 * @throws IllegalStateException if the parameter has not been
           been bound
 ^{\star} @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter with the
           specified position does not exist
 * /
Object getParameterValue(int position);
 ^{\star} Set the flush mode type to be used for the query execution.
 * The flush mode type applies to the query regardless of the
 * flush mode type in use for the entity manager.
 * @param flushMode
 * @return the same query instance
 * /
Query setFlushMode(FlushModeType flushMode);
/**
 ^{\star} Get the flush mode in effect for the query execution.
 * If a flush mode has not been set for the query object,
 * returns the flush mode in effect for the entity manager.
 * @return flush mode
 * /
FlushModeType getFlushMode();
 * Set the lock mode type to be used for the query execution.
 * @param lockMode
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalStateException if the query is found not to be
           a Java Persistence query language SELECT query
           or a Criteria API query
 * /
Query setLockMode(LockModeType lockMode);
```

```
* Get the current lock mode for the query.
 * @return lock mode
 ^{\star} @throws IllegalStateException if the query is found not to be
           a Java Persistence query language SELECT query or
           a Criteria API query
 * /
LockModeType getLockMode();
 * Return an object of the specified type to allow access to
 * the provider-specific API. If the provider's query
 * implementation does not support the specified class, the
 * PersistenceException is thrown.
 * @param cls the class of the object to be returned.
                                                         This is
               normally either the underlying query
               implementation class or an interface that it
               implements.
 * @return an instance of the specified class
  @throws PersistenceException if the provider does not support
           the call
 * /
<T> T unwrap(Class<T> cls);
```

## 3.8.2 TypedQuery Interface

```
package javax.persistence;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.Date;
import java.util.Calendar;
/**
 * Interface used to control the execution of typed queries.
 * @param <X> query result type
public interface TypedQuery<X> extends Query {
    /**
     * Execute a SELECT query and return the query results
     * as a typed List.
     * @return a list of the results
     * @throws IllegalStateException if called for a Java
               Persistence query language UPDATE or DELETE statement
     * @throws QueryTimeoutException if the query execution exceeds
               the query timeout value set and only the statement is
               rolled back
     * @throws TransactionRequiredException if a lock mode has
               been set and there is no transaction
     * @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking
               fails and the transaction is rolled back
       @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking
               fails and only the statement is rolled back
     * @throws PersistenceException if the query execution exceeds
               the query timeout value set and the transaction
               is rolled back
    List<X> getResultList();
    / * *
     * Execute a SELECT query that returns a single result.
     * @return the result
     * @throws NoResultException if there is no result
     * @throws NonUniqueResultException if more than one result
     * @throws IllegalStateException if called for a Java
               Persistence query language UPDATE or DELETE statement
     * @throws QueryTimeoutException if the query execution exceeds
               the query timeout value set and only the statement is
               rolled back
     * @throws TransactionRequiredException if a lock mode has
               been set and there is no transaction
       @throws PessimisticLockException if pessimistic locking
               fails and the transaction is rolled back
      @throws LockTimeoutException if pessimistic locking
               fails and only the statement is rolled back
       @throws PersistenceException if the query execution exceeds
               the query timeout value set and the transaction
               is rolled back
    X getSingleResult();
```

```
* Set the maximum number of results to retrieve.
 * @param maxResult
 * @return the same query instance
 ^{\star} @throws IllegalArgumentException if the argument is negative
TypedQuery<X> setMaxResults(int maxResult);
* Set the position of the first result to retrieve.
 * @param startPosition position of the first result,
         numbered from 0
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the argument is negative
TypedQuery<X> setFirstResult(int startPosition);
* Set a query property or hint. The hints elements may be used
 ^{\star} to specify query properties and hints. Properties defined by
 * this specification must be observed by the provider.
 * Vendor-specific hints that are not recognized by a provider
 * must be silently ignored. Portable applications should not
 * rely on the standard timeout hint. Depending on the database
 * in use and the locking mechanisms used by the provider,
 * this hint may or may not be observed.
 * @param hintName name of property or hint
 * @param value
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the second argument is not
           valid for the implementation
 * /
TypedQuery<X> setHint(String hintName, Object value);
* Bind the value of a Parameter object.
 * @param param parameter object
* @param value parameter value
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter
           does not correspond to a parameter of the
 * /
<T> TypedQuery<X> setParameter(Parameter<T> param, T value);
 * Bind an instance of java.util.Calendar to a Parameter object.
 * @param param parameter object
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter does not
           correspond to a parameter of the query
 * /
TypedQuery<X> setParameter(Parameter<Calendar> param,
                            Calendar value,
                            TemporalType temporalType);
```

```
* Bind an instance of java.util.Date to a Parameter object.
 * @param param parameter object
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter does not
           correspond to a parameter of the query
TypedQuery<X> setParameter(Parameter<Date> param,
                           Date value,
                           TemporalType temporalType);
/**
 * Bind an argument to a named parameter.
 * @param name parameter name
 * @param value parameter value
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter name does
           not correspond to a parameter of the query or if
           the argument is of incorrect type
TypedQuery<X> setParameter(String name, Object value);
 * Bind an instance of java.util.Calendar to a named parameter.
 * @param name parameter name
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter name does
           not correspond to a parameter of the query or if
           the value argument is of incorrect type
 * /
TypedQuery<X> setParameter(String name,
                           Calendar value,
                           TemporalType temporalType);
 * Bind an instance of java.util.Date to a named parameter.
 * @param name parameter name
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the parameter name does
           not correspond to a parameter of the query or if
           the value argument is of incorrect type
 * /
TypedQuery<X> setParameter(String name,
                           Date value,
                           TemporalType temporalType);
```

}

```
* Bind an argument to a positional parameter.
 * @param position
 * @param value parameter value
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if position does not
           correspond to a positional parameter of the
           query or if the argument is of incorrect type
TypedQuery<X> setParameter(int position, Object value);
 * Bind an instance of java.util.Calendar to a positional
 * parameter.
 * @param position
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if position does not
           correspond to a positional parameter of the query
           or if the value argument is of incorrect type
 * /
TypedQuery<X> setParameter(int position,
                           Calendar value,
                           TemporalType temporalType);
/ * *
* Bind an instance of java.util.Date to a positional parameter.
 * @param position
 * @param value parameter value
 * @param temporalType
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if position does not
           correspond to a positional parameter of the query
           or if the value argument is of incorrect type
TypedQuery<X> setParameter(int position,
                           Date value,
                           TemporalType temporalType);
/ * *
 * Set the flush mode type to be used for the query execution.
 * The flush mode type applies to the query regardless of the
 * flush mode type in use for the entity manager.
 * @param flushMode
 * @return the same query instance
TypedQuery<X> setFlushMode(FlushModeType flushMode);
/ * *
 * Set the lock mode type to be used for the query execution.
 * @param lockMode
 * @return the same query instance
 * @throws IllegalStateException if the query is found not to
           be a Java Persistence query language SELECT query
           or a Criteria API query
TypedQuery<X> setLockMode(LockModeType lockMode);
```

## 3.8.3 Tuple Interface

```
package javax.persistence;
import java.util.List;
 * Interface for extracting the elements of a query result tuple.
public interface Tuple {
     * Get the value of the specified tuple element.
* @param tupleElement tuple element
     * @return value of tuple element
     * @throws IllegalArgumentException if tuple element
               does not correspond to an element in the
               query result tuple
    <X> X get(TupleElement<X> tupleElement);
    / * *
     * Get the value of the tuple element to which the
     * specified alias has been assigned.
     * @param alias alias assigned to tuple element
     * @param type of the tuple element
     * @return value of the tuple element
     * @throws IllegalArgumentException if alias
               does not correspond to an element in the
               query result tuple or element cannot be
               assigned to the specified type
    <X> X get(String alias, Class<X> type);
     * Get the value of the tuple element to which the
     * specified alias has been assigned.
     * @param alias alias assigned to tuple element
     * @return value of the tuple element
     * @throws IllegalArgumentException if alias
               does not correspond to an element in the
               query result tuple
     * /
    Object get(String alias);
     * Get the value of the element at the specified
     ^{\star} position in the result tuple. The first position is 0.
     * @param i position in result tuple
     * @param type type of the tuple element
     * @return value of the tuple element
     * @throws IllegalArgumentException if i exceeds
               length of result tuple or element cannot be
               assigned to the specified type
    <X> X get(int i, Class<X> type);
```

## 3.8.4 TupleElement Interface

```
package javax.persistence;

/**
 * The TupleElement interface defines an element that is returned in
 * a query result tuple.
 * @param <X> the type of the element
 */
public interface TupleElement<X> {

    /**
    * Return the runtime Java type of the tuple element.
    * @return the runtime Java type of the tuple element
    */
    Class<? extends X> getJavaType();

    /**
    * Return the alias assigned to the tuple element or null,
    * if no alias has been assigned.
    * @return alias
    */
    String getAlias();
}
```

### 3.8.5 Parameter Interface

```
package javax.persistence;
/**
 * Type for query parameter objects.
 * @param <T> the type of the parameter
public interface Parameter<T> {
     * Return the parameter name, or null if the parameter is
     * not a named parameter or no name has been assigned.
     * @return parameter name
    String getName();
     * Return the parameter position, or null if the parameter is
     * not a positional parameter.
     * @return position of parameter
    Integer getPosition();
     * Return the Java type of the parameter. Values bound to the
     * parameter must be assignable to this type.
     * This method is required to be supported for criteria queries
               Applications that use this method for Java
     * Persistence query language queries and native queries will
      not be portable.
     * @return the Java type of the parameter
     * @throws IllegalStateException if invoked on a parameter
               obtained from a Java persistence query language
               query or native query when the implementation does
               not support this use
     Class<T> getParameterType();
```

### 3.8.6 Query Execution

Queries are executed using the getResultList and getSingleResult methods.

- For TypedQuery instances, the query result type is determined in the case of criteria queries by the type of the query specified when the CriteriaQuery object is created, as described in section 6.5.1, "CriteriaQuery Creation". In the case of Java Persistence query language queries, the type of the result is determined by the resultClass argument to the create—Query or createNamedQuery method, and the select list of the query must contain only a single item which must be assignable to the specified type.
- For Query instances, the elements of a query result whose select list consists of more than one select expression are of type Object[]. If the select list consists of only one select expression, the elements of the query result are of type Object. When native SQL queries are used,

the SQL result set mapping (see section 3.8.15), determines how many items (entities, scalar values, etc.) are returned. If multiple items are returned, the elements of the query result are of type Object[]. If only a single item is returned as a result of the SQL result set mapping or if a result class is specified, the elements of the query result are of type Object.

An IllegalArgumentException is thrown if a parameter instance is specified that does not correspond to a parameter of the query, if a parameter name is specified that does not correspond to a named parameter of the query, if a positional value is specified that does not correspond to a positional parameter of the query, or if the type of the parameter is not valid for the query. This exception may be thrown when the parameter is bound, or the execution of the query may fail. See sections 3.8.10, 3.8.11, and 3.8.12 for supported parameter usage.

The effect of applying setMaxResults or setFirstResult to a query involving fetch joins over collections is undefined.

Query and TypedQuery methods other than the executeUpdate method are not required to be invoked within a transaction context, unless a lock mode other than LockModeType.NONE has been specified for the query. In particular, the getResultList and getSingleResult methods are not required to be invoked within a transaction context unless such a lock mode has been specified for the query. [47] If an entity manager with transaction-scoped persistence context is in use, the resulting entities will be detached; if an entity manager with an extended persistence context is used, they will be managed. See Chapter 7 for further discussion of entity manager use outside a transaction and persistence context types.

Runtime exceptions other than the NoResultException, NonUniqueResultException, QueryTimeoutException, and LockTimeoutException thrown by the methods of the Query and TypedQuery interfaces other than those methods specified below cause the current transaction to be marked for rollback. On database platforms on which a query timeout causes transaction rollback, the persistence provider must throw the PersistenceException instead of the Query-TimeoutException.

Runtime exceptions thrown by the following methods of the Query and TypedQuery interfaces do not cause the current transaction to be marked for rollback: getParameters, getParameter, getParameterValue, getLockMode.

Runtime exceptions thrown by the methods of the Tuple, TupleElement, and Parameter interfaces do not cause the current transaction to be marked for rollback.

# **3.8.6.1** Example

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

<sup>[47]</sup> A lock mode is specified for a query by means of the setLockMode method or by specifying the lock mode in the Named-Query annotation.

### 3.8.7 Queries and Flush Mode

The flush mode setting affects the result of a query as follows.

When queries are executed within a transaction, if FlushModeType.AUTO is set on the Query or TypedQuery object, or if the flush mode setting for the persistence context is AUTO (the default) and a flush mode setting has not been specified for the Query or TypedQuery object, the persistence provider is responsible for ensuring that all updates to the state of all entities in the persistence context which could potentially affect the result of the query are visible to the processing of the query. The persistence provider implementation may achieve this by flushing those entities to the database or by some other means. If FlushModeType.COMMIT is set, the effect of updates made to entities in the persistence context upon queries is unspecified.

```
package javax.persistence;
public enum FlushModeType {
        COMMIT,
        AUTO
}
```

If there is no transaction active, the persistence provider must not flush to the database.

## 3.8.8 Queries and Lock Mode

The setLockMode method of the Query or TypedQuery interface or the lockMode element of the NamedQuery annotation may be used to lock the results of a query. A lock is obtained for each entity specified in the query result (including entities passed to constructors in the query SELECT clause). [48]

If the lock mode type is PESSIMISTIC\_READ, PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE, or PESSIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT, and the query returns scalar data (e.g., the values of entity field or properties, including scalar data passed to constructors in the query SELECT clause), the underlying database rows will be locked<sup>[49]</sup>, but the version columns (if any) for any entities corresponding to such scalar data will not be updated unless the entities themselves are also otherwise retrieved and updated.

If the lock mode type is OPTIMISTIC or OPTIMISTIC\_FORCE\_INCREMENT, and the query returns scalar data, any entities returned by the query will be locked, but no locking will occur for scalar data that does not correspond to the state of any entity instance in the query result.

If a lock mode other than NONE is specified for a query, the query must be executed within a transaction or the TransactionRequiredException will be thrown.

<sup>[48]</sup> Note that the setLockMode method may be called more than once (with different values) on a Query or TypedQuery object.

<sup>[49]</sup> Note that locking will not occur for data passed to aggregate functions. Further, queries involving aggregates with pessimistic locking may not be supported on all database platforms.

Locking is supported for Java Persistence query language queries and criteria queries only. If the set—LockMode or getLockMode method is invoked on a query that is not a Java Persistence query language select query or a criteria query, the IllegalStateException may be thrown or the query execution will fail.

## 3.8.9 Query Hints

The following hint is defined by this specification for use in query configuration.

```
javax.persistence.query.timeout // time in milliseconds
```

This hint may be used with the Query or TypedQuery setHint method or the NamedQuery and NamedNativeQuery annotations. It may also be passed as a property to the Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory method and used in the properties element of the persistence.xml file. See sections 3.8.1, 8.2.1.9, 9.6, 10.3. When used in the createEntityManagerFactory method, the persistence.xml file, and annotations, the timeout hint serves as a default value which can be selectively overridden by use in the Query.setHint method.

Portable applications should not rely on this hint. Depending on the persistence provider and database in use, the hint may or may not be observed.

Vendors are permitted to support the use of additional, vendor-specific locking hints. Vendor-specific hints must not use the <code>javax.persistence</code> namespace. Vendor-specific hints must be ignored if they are not understood.

### 3.8.10 Parameter Objects

Parameter objects can be used for criteria queries and for Java Persistence query language queries.

Implementations may support the use of Parameter objects for native queries, however support for Parameter objects with native queries is not required by this specification. The use of Parameter objects for native queries will not be portable.

Portable applications should not attempt to reuse a Parameter object obtained from a Query or TypedQuery instance in the context of a different Query or TypedQuery instance.

### 3.8.11 Named Parameters

Named parameters can be used for Java Persistence query language queries and for criteria queries (although use of Parameter objects is to be preferred).

Named parameters follow the rules for identifiers defined in Section 4.4.1. Named parameters are case-sensitive.

A named parameter of a Java Persistence query language query is an identifier that is prefixed by the ":" symbol. The parameter names passed to the setParameter methods of the Query and TypedQuery interfaces do not include this ":" prefix.

### 3.8.12 Positional Parameters

Only positional parameter binding and positional access to result items may be portably used for native queries.

The use of positional parameters is not supported for criteria queries.

## 3.8.13 Named Queries

Named queries are static queries expressed in metadata. Named queries can be defined in the Java Persistence query language or in SQL. Query names are scoped to the persistence unit.

The following is an example of the definition of a named query:

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

The following is an example of the use of a named query:

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

# 3.8.14 Polymorphic Queries

By default, all queries are polymorphic. That is, the FROM clause of a query designates not only instances of the specific entity class(es) to which it explicitly refers, but subclasses as well. The instances returned by a query include instances of the subclasses that satisfy the query conditions.

For example, the following query returns the average salary of all employees, including subtypes of Employee, such as Manager and Exempt.

```
select avg(e.salary) from Employee e where e.salary > 80000
```

Entity type expressions, described in section 4.6.17.4, can be used to restrict query polymorphism.

## 3.8.15 SQL Queries

Queries may be expressed in native SQL. The result of a native SQL query may consist of entities, scalar values, or a combination of the two. The entities returned by a query may be of different entity types.

The SQL query facility is intended to provide support for those cases where it is necessary to use the native SQL of the target database in use (and/or where the Java Persistence query language cannot be used). Native SQL queries are not expected to be portable across databases.

When multiple entities are returned by a SQL query, the entities must be specified and mapped to the column results of the SQL statement in a SqlResultSetMapping metadata definition. This result set mapping metadata can then be used by the persistence provider runtime to map the JDBC results into the expected objects. See Section 10.3.3 for the definition of the SqlResultSetMapping metadata annotation and related annotations.

If the results of the query are limited to entities of a single entity class, a simpler form can be used and SqlResultSetMapping metadata is not required.

This is illustrated in the following example in which a native SQL query is created dynamically using the createNativeQuery method and the entity class that specifies the type of the result is passed in as an argument.

When executed, this query will return a collection of all Order entities for items named "widget". The same results could also be obtained using SqlResultSetMapping:

In this case, the metadata for the query result type might be specified as follows:

```
@SqlResultSetMapping(
    name="WidgetOrderResults",
    entities=@EntityResult(entityClass=com.acme.Order.class))
```

The following query and SqlResultSetMapping metadata illustrates the return of multiple entity types and assumes default metadata and column name defaults.

```
Query q = em.createNativeQuery(
   "SELECT o.id, o.quantity, o.item, i.id, i.name, i.description "+
   "FROM Order o, Item i " +
   "WHERE (o.quantity > 25) AND (o.item = i.id)",
   "OrderItemResults");

@SqlResultSetMapping(name="OrderItemResults",
   entities={
        @EntityResult(entityClass=com.acme.Order.class),
        @EntityResult(entityClass=com.acme.Item.class)
   })
```

When an entity is being returned, the SQL statement should select all of the columns that are mapped to the entity object. This should include foreign key columns to related entities. The results obtained when insufficient data is available are undefined. A SQL result set mapping must not be used to map results to the non-persistent state of an entity.

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The column names that are used in the SQL result set mapping annotations refer to the names of the columns in the SQL SELECT clause. Note that column aliases must be used in the SQL SELECT clause where the SQL result would otherwise contain multiple columns of the same name.

An example of combining multiple entity types and that includes aliases in the SQL statement requires that the column names be explicitly mapped to the entity fields. The FieldResult annotation is used for this purpose.

```
Query q = em.createNativeQuery(
      "SELECT o.id AS order_id, " +
             "o.quantity AS order_quantity, " +
             "o.item AS order_item, " +
             "i.id, i.name, i.description " +
         "FROM Order o, Item i " +
         "WHERE (order_quantity > 25) AND (order_item = i.id)",
      "OrderItemResults");
  @SqlResultSetMapping(name="OrderItemResults",
       entities={
          @EntityResult(entityClass=com.acme.Order.class, fields={
             @FieldResult(name="id", column="order_id"),
             @FieldResult(name="quantity", column="order_quantity"),
             @FieldResult(name="item", column="order item")}),
          @EntityResult(entityClass=com.acme.Item.class)
   })
```

Scalar result types can be included in the query result by specifying the ColumnResult annotation in the metadata.

```
Query q = em.createNativeQuery(
      "SELECT o.id AS order_id,
              "o.quantity AS order_quantity, " +
              "o.item AS order_item, " +
              "i.name AS item_name,
         "FROM Order o, Item i " +
         "WHERE (order_quantity > 25) AND (order_item = i.id)",
      "OrderResults");
   @SqlResultSetMapping(name="OrderResults",
      entities={
         @EntityResult(entityClass=com.acme.Order.class, fields={
            @FieldResult(name="id", column="order id"),
            @FieldResult(name="quantity", column="order_quantity"),
            @FieldResult(name="item", column="order_item")})},
      columns={
         @ColumnResult(name="item_name")}
   )
```

When the returned entity type is the owner of a single-valued relationship and the foreign key is a composite foreign key (composed of multiple columns), a FieldResult element should be used for each of the foreign key columns. The FieldResult element must use a dot (".") notation form to indicate which column maps to each property or field of the target entity primary key. The dot-notation form described below is not required to be supported for any usage other than for composite foreign keys or embedded primary keys.

If the target entity has a primary key of type IdClass, this specification takes the form of the name of the field or property for the relationship, followed by a dot ("."), followed by the name of the field or property of the primary key in the target entity. The latter will be annotated with Id, as specified in section 11.1.19.

### **Example:**

```
Query q = em.createNativeQuery(
    "SELECT o.id AS order_id,
        "o.quantity AS order_quantity,
        "o.item_id AS order_item_id, " +
        "o.item_name AS order_item_name, " +
        "i.id, i.name, i.description " +
    "FROM Order o, Item i " +
    "WHERE (order_quantity > 25) AND (order_item_id = i.id) AND
(order_item_name = i.name)
        "OrderItemResults");
@SqlResultSetMapping(name="OrderItemResults",
    entities={
        @EntityResult(entityClass=com.acme.Order.class, fields={
            @FieldResult(name="id", column="order_id"),
            @FieldResult(name="quantity", column="order_quantity"),
            @FieldResult(name="item.id", column="order_item_id")}),
            @FieldResult(name="item.name",
                                    column="order_item_name")}),
        @EntityResult(entityClass=com.acme.Item.class)
})
```

If the target entity has a primary key of type EmbeddedId, this specification is composed of the name of the field or property for the relationship, followed by a dot ("."), followed by the name or the field or property of the primary key (i.e., the name of the field or property annotated as EmbeddedId), followed by the name of the corresponding field or property of the embedded primary key class.

### **Example:**

```
Query q = em.createNativeQuery(
    "SELECT o.id AS order_id, " +
        "o.quantity AS order_quantity, " +
        "o.item_id AS order_item_id, " +
        "o.item_name AS order_item_name, " +
        "i.id, i.name, i.description " +
        "FROM Order o, Item i " +
        "WHERE (order_quantity > 25) AND (order_item_id = i.id) AND (order_item_name = i.name)",
        "OrderItemResults");
```

The FieldResult elements for the composite foreign key are combined to form the primary key EmbeddedId class for the target entity. This may then be used to subsequently retrieve the entity if the relationship is to be eagerly loaded.

The use of named parameters is not defined for native queries. Only positional parameter binding for SQL queries may be used by portable applications.

Support for joins is currently limited to single-valued relationships.

# 3.9 Summary of Exceptions

The following is a summary of the exceptions defined by this specification:

PersistenceException

The PersistenceException is thrown by the persistence provider when a problem occurs. It may be thrown to report that the invoked operation could not complete because of an unexpected error (e.g., failure of the persistence provider to open a database connection).

All other exceptions defined by this specification are subclasses of the PersistenceException. All instances of PersistenceException except for instances of NoResultException, NonUniqueResultException, LockTimeoutException, and QueryTimeoutException will cause the current transaction, if one is active, to be marked for rollback.

TransactionRequiredException

The TransactionRequiredException is thrown by the persistence provider when a transaction is required but is not active.

OptimisticLockException

The OptimisticLockException is thrown by the persistence provider when an optimistic locking conflict occurs. This exception may be thrown as part of an API call, at flush, or at commit time. The current transaction, if one is active, will be marked for rollback.

### PessimisticLockException

The PessimisticLockException is thrown by the persistence provider when a pessimistic locking conflict occurs. The current transaction will be marked for rollback. Typically the PessimisticLockException occurs because the database transaction has been rolled back due to deadlock or because the database uses transaction-level rollback when a pessimistic lock cannot be granted.

### LockTimeoutException

The LockTimeoutException is thrown by the persistence provider when a pessimistic locking conflict occurs that does not result in transaction rollback. Typically this occurs because the database uses statement-level rollback when a pessimistic lock cannot be granted (and there is no deadlock). The LockTimeoutException does not cause the current transaction to be marked for rollback.

### RollbackException

The RollbackException is thrown by the persistence provider when EntityTransaction.commit fails.

### EntityExistsException

The EntityExistsException may thrown by the persistence provider when the persist operation is invoked and the entity already exists. The EntityExistsException may be thrown when the persist operation is invoked, or the EntityExistsException or another PersistenceException may be thrown at commit time. The current transaction, if one is active, will be marked for rollback.

### EntityNotFoundException

The EntityNotFoundException is thrown by the persistence provider when an entity reference obtained by getReference is accessed but the entity does not exist. It is thrown by the refresh operation when the entity no longer exists in the database. It is also thrown by the lock operation when pessimistic locking is used and the entity no longer exists in the database. The current transaction, if one is active, will be marked for rollback.

### NoResultException

The NoResultException is thrown by the persistence provider when Query.getSingleResult or TypedQuery.getSingleResult is invoked and there is no result to return. This exception will not cause the current transaction, if one is active, to be marked for rollback

### NonUniqueResultException

The NonUniqueResultException is thrown by the persistence provider when Query.getSingleResult or TypedQuery.getSingleResult is invoked and there is more than one result from the query. This exception will not cause the current transaction, if one is active, to be marked for rollback.

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QueryTimeoutException

The QueryTimeoutException is thrown by the persistence provider when a query times out and only the statement is rolled back. The QueryTimeoutException does not cause the current transaction, if one is active, to be marked for rollback.

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# Chapter 4 Query Language

The Java Persistence query language is a string-based query language used to define queries over entities and their persistent state. It enables the application developer to specify the semantics of queries in a portable way, independent of the particular database schema in use in an enterprise environment. The full range of the language may be used in both static and dynamic queries.

This chapter provides the full definition of the Java Persistence query language.

## 4.1 Overview

The Java Persistence query language is a query specification language for string-based dynamic queries and static queries expressed through metadata. It is used to define queries over the persistent entities defined by this specification and their persistent state and relationships.

The Java Persistence query language can be compiled to a target language, such as SQL, of a database or other persistent store. This allows the execution of queries to be shifted to the native language facilities provided by the database, instead of requiring queries to be executed on the runtime representation of the entity state. As a result, query methods can be optimizable as well as portable.

The query language uses the abstract persistence schema of entities, including their embedded objects and relationships, for its data model, and it defines operators and expressions based on this data model. It uses a SQL-like syntax to select objects or values based on abstract schema types and relationships. It is possible to parse and validate queries before entities are deployed.

The term abstract persistence schema refers to the persistent schema abstraction (persistent entities, their state, and their relationships) over which Java Persistence queries operate. Queries over this persistent schema abstraction are translated into queries that are executed over the database schema to which entities are mapped.

Queries may be defined in metadata annotations or the XML descriptor. The abstract schema types of a set of entities can be used in a query if the entities are defined in the same persistence unit as the query. Path expressions allow for navigation over relationships defined in the persistence unit.

A persistence unit defines the set of all classes that are related or grouped by the application and which must be colocated in their mapping to a single database.

# 4.2 Statement Types

A Java Persistence query language statement may be either a select statement, an update statement, or a delete statement.

This chapter refers to all such statements as "queries". Where it is important to distinguish among statement types, the specific statement type is referenced.

In BNF syntax, a query language statement is defined as:

QL statement :: = select statement | update statement | delete statement

Any Java Persistence query language statement may be constructed dynamically or may be statically defined in a metadata annotation or XML descriptor element.

All statement types may have parameters.

### **4.2.1** Select Statements

A select statement is a string which consists of the following clauses:

- a SELECT clause, which determines the type of the objects or values to be selected.
- a FROM clause, which provides declarations that designate the domain to which the expressions specified in the other clauses of the query apply.
- an optional WHERE clause, which may be used to restrict the results that are returned by the query.

- an optional GROUP BY clause, which allows query results to be aggregated in terms of groups.
- an optional HAVING clause, which allows filtering over aggregated groups.
- an optional ORDER BY clause, which may be used to order the results that are returned by the query.

In BNF syntax, a select statement is defined as:

A select statement must always have a SELECT and a FROM clause. The square brackets [] indicate that the other clauses are optional.

## 4.2.2 Update and Delete Statements

Update and delete statements provide bulk operations over sets of entities.

In BNF syntax, these operations are defined as:

```
update_statement :: = update_clause [where_clause]
```

delete\_statement :: = delete\_clause [where\_clause]

The update and delete clauses determine the type of the entities to be updated or deleted. The WHERE clause may be used to restrict the scope of the update or delete operation.

Update and delete statements are described further in Section 4.10.

# 4.3 Abstract Schema Types and Query Domains

The Java Persistence query language is a typed language, and every expression has a type. The type of an expression is derived from the structure of the expression, the abstract schema types of the identification variable declarations, the types to which the persistent fields and relationships evaluate, and the types of literals.

The abstract schema type of an entity or embeddable is derived from its class and the metadata information provided by Java language annotations or in the XML descriptor.

Informally, the abstract schema type of an entity or embeddable can be characterized as follows:

• For every persistent field or get accessor method (for a persistent property) of the class, there is a field ("state field") whose abstract schema type corresponds to that of the field or the result type of the accessor method.

• For every persistent relationship field or get accessor method (for a persistent relationship property) of the class, there is a field ("association field") whose type is the abstract schema type of the related entity (or, if the relationship is a one-to-many or many-to-many, a collection of such).

Abstract schema types are specific to the query language data model. The persistence provider is not required to implement or otherwise materialize an abstract schema type.

The domain of a query consists of the abstract schema types of all entities and embeddables that are defined in the same persistence unit.

The domain of a query may be restricted by the *navigability* of the relationships of the entity and associated embeddable classes on which it is based. The association fields of an entity's or embeddable's abstract schema type determine navigability. Using the association fields and their values, a query can select related entities and use their abstract schema types in the query.

## **4.3.1** Naming

Entities are designated in query strings by their entity names. The entity name is defined by the name element of the Entity annotation (or the entity-name XML descriptor element), and defaults to the unqualified name of the entity class. Entity names are scoped within the persistence unit and must be unique within the persistence unit.

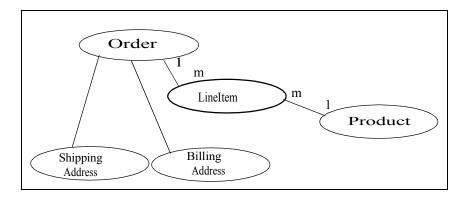
# 4.3.2 Example

This example assumes that the application developer provides several entity classes, representing orders, products, and line items, and an embeddable address class representing shipping addresses and billing addresses. The abstract schema types for the entities are Order, Product, and LineItem respectively. There is a one-to-many relationship between Order and LineItem. The entity LineItem is related to Product in a many-to-one relationship. The classes are logically in the same persistence unit, as shown in Figure 1.

Queries to select orders can be defined by navigating over the association fields and state fields defined by Order and LineItem. A query to find all orders with pending line items might be written as follows:

```
SELECT DISTINCT o
FROM Order AS o JOIN o.lineItems AS 1
WHERE l.shipped = FALSE
```

Figure 1 Abstract Persistence Schema of Several Entities with Defined in the Same Persistence Unit.



This query navigates over the association field lineItems of the abstract schema type Order to find line items, and uses the state field shipped of LineItem to select those orders that have at least one line item that has not yet shipped. (Note that this query does not select orders that have no line items.)

Although reserved identifiers, such as DISTINCT, FROM, AS, JOIN, WHERE, and FALSE appear in upper case in this example, reserved identifiers are case insensitive.<sup>[50]</sup>

The SELECT clause of this example designates the return type of this query to be of type Order.

Because the same persistence unit defines the abstract persistence schema of the related entities, the developer can also specify a query over orders that utilizes the abstract schema type for products, and hence the state fields and association fields of both the abstract schema types Order and Product. For example, if the abstract schema type Product has a state field named productType, a query over orders can be specified using this state field. Such a query might be to find all orders for products with product type office supplies. A query for this might be as follows.

```
SELECT DISTINCT o
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems l JOIN l.product p
WHERE p.productType = 'office_supplies'
```

Because Order is related to Product by means of the relationships between Order and LineItem and between LineItem and Product, navigation using the association fields lineItems and product is used to express the query. This query is specified by using the entity name Order, which designates the abstract schema type over which the query ranges. The basis for the navigation is provided by the association fields lineItems and product of the abstract schema types Order and LineItem respectively.

<sup>[50]</sup> This chapter uses the convention that reserved identifiers appear in upper case in the examples and BNF for the language.

# 4.4 The FROM Clause and Navigational Declarations

The FROM clause of a query defines the domain of the query by declaring identification variables. An identification variable is an identifier declared in the FROM clause of a query. The domain of the query may be constrained by path expressions. (See section 4.4.4.)

Identification variables designate instances of a particular abstract schema type. The FROM clause can contain multiple identification variable declarations separated by a comma (,).

```
from_clause ::=
        FROM identification variable declaration
                {, {identification variable declaration | collection member declaration}}*
identification variable declaration ::= range variable declaration { join | fetch join }*
range variable declaration ::= entity_name [AS] identification_variable
join ::= join_spec join_association_path_expression [AS] identification_variable
fetch join ::= join spec FETCH join association path expression
join association path expression ::= join collection valued path expression |
        join single valued path expression
join collection valued path expression::=
  identification_variable.{single_valued_embeddable_object_field.}*collection_valued_field
join single valued path expression::=
 identification variable.{single valued embeddable object field.}*single valued object field
join_spec::= [ LEFT [OUTER] | INNER ] JOIN
collection member declaration ::=
        IN (collection valued path expression) [AS] identification variable
```

The following subsections discuss the constructs used in the FROM clause.

### 4.4.1 Identifiers

An identifier is a character sequence of unlimited length. The character sequence must begin with a Java identifier start character, and all other characters must be Java identifier part characters. An identifier start character is any character for which the method Character.isJavaIdentifierStart returns true. This includes the underscore (\_) character and the dollar sign (\$) character. An identifier part character is any character for which the method Character.isJavaIdentifierPart returns true. The question mark (?) character is reserved for use by the Java Persistence query language.

The following are reserved identifiers: ABS, ALL, AND, ANY, AS, ASC, AVG, BETWEEN, BIT\_LENGTH<sup>[51]</sup>, BOTH, BY, CASE, CHAR\_LENGTH, CHARACTER\_LENGTH, CLASS, COALESCE, CONCAT, COUNT, CURRENT\_DATE, CURRENT\_TIME, CURRENT\_TIMESTAMP, DELETE, DESC, DISTINCT, ELSE, EMPTY, END, ENTRY, ESCAPE, EXISTS, FALSE, FETCH, FROM, GROUP, HAVING, IN, INDEX, INNER, IS, JOIN, KEY, LEADING, LEFT, LENGTH, LIKE, LOCATE, LOWER, MAX, MEMBER, MIN, MOD, NEW, NOT, NULL, NULLIF, OBJECT, OF, OR, ORDER, OUTER, POSITION, SELECT, SET, SIZE, SOME, SQRT, SUBSTRING, SUM, THEN, TRAILING, TRIM, TRUE, TYPE, UNKNOWN, UPDATE, UPPER, VALUE, WHEN, WHERE.

Reserved identifiers are case insensitive. Reserved identifiers must not be used as identification variables or result variables (see section 4.8).

It is recommended that SQL key words other than those listed above not be used as identification variables in queries because they may be used as reserved identifiers in future releases of this specification.

## 4.4.2 Identification Variables

An identification variable is a valid identifier declared in the FROM clause of a query.

All identification variables must be declared in the FROM clause. Identification variables cannot be declared in other clauses.

An identification variable must not be a reserved identifier or have the same name as any entity in the same persistence unit.

Identification variables are case insensitive.

An identification variable evaluates to a value of the type of the expression used in declaring the variable. For example, consider the previous query:

```
SELECT DISTINCT o
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems l JOIN l.product p
WHERE p.productType = 'office_supplies'
```

In the FROM clause declaration o.lineItems 1, the identification variable 1 evaluates to any LineItem value directly reachable from Order. The association field lineItems is a collection of instances of the abstract schema type LineItem and the identification variable 1 refers to an element of this collection. The type of 1 is the abstract schema type of LineItem.

An identification variable can range over an entity, embeddable, or basic abstract schema type. An identification variable designates an instance of an abstract schema type or an element of a collection of abstract schema type instances.

Note that for identification variables referring to an instance of an association or collection represented as a java.util.Map, the identification variable is of the abstract schema type of the map *value*.

<sup>[51]</sup> BIT\_LENGTH, CHAR\_LENGTH, CHARACTER\_LENGTH, POSITION, and UNKNOWN are not currently used: they are reserved for future use.

An identification variable always designates a reference to a single value. It is declared in one of three ways: in a range variable declaration, in a join clause, or in a collection member declaration. The identification variable declarations are evaluated from left to right in the FROM clause, and an identification variable declaration can use the result of a preceding identification variable declaration of the query string.

All identification variables used in the SELECT, WHERE, ORDER BY, GROUP BY, or HAVING clause of a SELECT or DELETE statement must be declared in the FROM clause. The identification variables used in the WHERE clause of an UPDATE statement must be declared in the UPDATE clause.

Identification variables are existentially quantified in these clauses. This means that an identification variable represents a member of a collection or an instance of an entity's abstract schema type. An identification variable never designates a collection in its entirety.

An identification variable is scoped to the query (or subquery) in which it is defined and is also visible to any subqueries within that query scope that do not define an identification variable of the same name.

### 4.4.3 Range Variable Declarations

The syntax for declaring an identification variable as a range variable is similar to that of SQL; optionally, it uses the AS keyword. A range variable designates an entity abstract schema type.<sup>[52]</sup>

```
range_variable_declaration ::= entity_name [AS] identification_variable
```

Range variable declarations allow the developer to designate a "root" for objects which may not be reachable by navigation.

In order to select values by comparing more than one instance of an entity abstract schema type, more than one identification variable ranging over the abstract schema type is needed in the FROM clause.

The following query returns orders whose quantity is greater than the order quantity for John Smith. This example illustrates the use of two different identification variables in the FROM clause, both of the abstract schema type Order. The SELECT clause of this query determines that it is the orders with quantities larger than John Smith's that are returned.

### 4.4.4 Path Expressions

An identification variable followed by the navigation operator (.) and a state field or association field is a path expression. The type of the path expression is the type computed as the result of navigation; that is, the type of the state field or association field to which the expression navigates.

<sup>[52]</sup> A range variable must not designate an embeddable class abstract schema type.

An identification variable qualified by the KEY, VALUE, or ENTRY operator is a path expression. The KEY, VALUE, and ENTRY operators may only be applied to identification variables that correspond to map-valued associations or map-valued element collections. The type of the path expression is the type computed as the result of the operation; that is, the abstract schema type of the field that is the value of the KEY, VALUE, or ENTRY operator (the map key, map value, or map entry respectively).<sup>[53]</sup>

The syntax for qualified identification variables is as follows.

```
qualified_identification_variable :: =
    KEY(identification_variable) |
    VALUE(identification_variable) |
    ENTRY(identification_variable)
```

A path expression using the KEY or VALUE operator can be further composed. A path expression using the ENTRY operator is terminal. It cannot be further composed and can only appear in the SELECT list of a query.

In the following query, photos is a map from photo label to filename.

```
SELECT i.name, VALUE(p)
FROM Item i JOIN i.photos p
WHERE KEY(p) LIKE '%egret'
```

In the above query the identification variable p designates an abstract schema type corresponding to the map *value*. The results of VALUE(p) and KEY(p) are the map value and the map key associated with p, respectively. The following query is equivalent:

```
SELECT i.name, p
FROM Item i JOIN i.photos p
WHERE KEY(p) LIKE '%egret'
```

Depending on navigability, a path expression that leads to an association field or to a field whose type is an embeddable class may be further composed. Path expressions can be composed from other path expressions if the original path expression evaluates to a single-valued type (not a collection).

In the following example, contactInfo denotes an embeddable class consisting of an address and set of phones. Phone is an entity.

```
SELECT p.vendor
FROM Employee e JOIN e.contactInfo.phones p
WHERE e.contactInfo.address.zipcode = '95054'
```

Path expression navigability is composed using "inner join" semantics. That is, if the value of a non-terminal field in the path expression is null, the path is considered to have no value, and does not participate in the determination of the result.

<sup>[53]</sup> Note that use of VALUE is optional, as an identification variable referring to an association of type java.util.Map is of the abstract schema type of the map value. (See section 4.4.2.)

The following query is equivalent to the query above:

```
SELECT p.vendor
FROM Employee e JOIN e.contactInfo c JOIN c.phones p
WHERE e.contactInfo.address.zipcode = '95054'
```

The syntax for single-valued path expressions and collection-valued path expressions is as follows:

```
single_valued_path_expression ::=
    qualified_identification_variable |
    state_field_path_expression |
    single_valued_object_path_expression

state_field_path_expression ::=
    general_identification_variable.{single_valued_object_field.}*state_field

single_valued_object_path_expression ::=
    general_identification_variable.{single_valued_object_field.}*single_valued_object_field

collection_valued_path_expression ::=
    general_identification_variable.{single_valued_object_field.}*collection_valued_field
```

A *single\_valued\_object\_field* is designated by the name of an association field in a one-to-one or many-to-one relationship or a field of embeddable class type. The type of a *single\_valued\_object\_field* is the abstract schema type of the related entity or embeddable class.

A **state\_field** is designated by the name of an entity or embeddable class state field that corresponds to a basic type.

A *collection\_valued\_field* is designated by the name of an association field in a one-to-many or a many-to-many relationship or by the name of an element collection field. The type of a *collection\_valued\_field* is a collection of values of the abstract schema type of the related entity or element type.

An identification variable used in a *single\_valued\_object\_path\_expression* or in a *collection\_valued\_path\_expression* may be an unqualified identification variable or an identification variable to which the KEY or VALUE function has been applied.

It is syntactically illegal to compose a path expression from a path expression that evaluates to a collection. For example, if o designates Order, the path expression ollineItems.product is illegal since navigation to lineItems results in a collection. This case should produce an error when the query string is verified. To handle such a navigation, an identification variable must be declared in the FROM clause to range over the elements of the lineItems collection. Another path expression must be used to navigate over each such element in the WHERE clause of the query, as in the following:

```
SELECT DISTINCT l.product FROM Order AS o JOIN o.lineItems l
```

It is illegal to use a *collection\_valued\_path\_expression* other than in the FROM clause of a query except in an *empty\_collection\_comparison\_expression*, in a *collection\_member\_expression*, or as an argument to the SIZE operator. See Sections 4.6.12, 4.6.13, and 4.6.17.2.2.

### **4.4.5** Joins

An inner join may be implicitly specified by the use of a cartesian product in the FROM clause and a join condition in the WHERE clause. In the absence of a join condition, this reduces to the cartesian product.

The main use case for this generalized style of join is when a join condition does not involve a foreign key relationship that is mapped to an entity relationship.

### Example:

```
SELECT c FROM Customer c, Employee e WHERE c.hatsize = e.shoesize
```

In general, use of this style of inner join (also referred to as theta-join) is less typical than explicitly defined joins over relationships.

The syntax for explicit join operations is as follows:

The inner and outer join operation types described in sections 4.4.5.1, 4.4.5.2, and 4.4.5.3 are supported.

## 4.4.5.1 Inner Joins (Relationship Joins)

The syntax for the inner join operation is

```
[INNER] JOIN join_association_path_expression [AS] identification_variable
```

For example, the query below joins over the relationship between customers and orders. This type of join typically equates to a join over a foreign key relationship in the database.

```
SELECT c FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o WHERE c.status = 1
```

The keyword INNER may optionally be used:

```
SELECT c FROM Customer c INNER JOIN c.orders o WHERE c.status = 1
```

This is equivalent to the following query using the earlier IN construct, defined in [7]. It selects those customers of status 1 for which at least one order exists:

```
SELECT OBJECT(c) FROM Customer c, IN(c.orders) o WHERE c.status = 1
```

The query below joins over Employee, ContactInfo and Phone. ContactInfo is an embeddable class that consists of an address and set of phones. Phone is an entity.

```
SELECT p.vendor FROM Employee e JOIN e.contactInfo c JOIN c.phones p WHERE c.address.zipcode = '95054'
```

### 4.4.5.2 Left Outer Joins

LEFT JOIN and LEFT OUTER JOIN are synonymous. They enable the retrieval of a set of entities where matching values in the join condition may be absent.

The syntax for a left outer join is

LEFT [OUTER] JOIN join\_association\_path\_expression [AS] identification\_variable

For example:

```
SELECT c FROM Customer c LEFT JOIN c.orders o WHERE c.status = 1
```

The keyword OUTER may optionally be used:

```
SELECT c FROM Customer c LEFT OUTER JOIN c.orders o WHERE c.status = 1
```

An important use case for LEFT JOIN is in enabling the prefetching of related data items as a side effect of a query. This is accomplished by specifying the LEFT JOIN as a FETCH JOIN.

### 4.4.5.3 Fetch Joins

A FETCH JOIN enables the fetching of an association or element collection as a side effect of the execution of a query.

The syntax for a fetch join is

```
fetch_join ::= [ LEFT [OUTER] | INNER ] JOIN FETCH join_association_path_expression
```

The association referenced by the right side of the FETCH JOIN clause must be an association or element collection that is referenced from an entity or embeddable that is returned as a result of the query. It is not permitted to specify an identification variable for the objects referenced by the right side of the FETCH JOIN clause, and hence references to the implicitly fetched entities or elements cannot appear elsewhere in the query.

The following query returns a set of departments. As a side effect, the associated employees for those departments are also retrieved, even though they are not part of the explicit query result. The initialization of the persistent state or relationship fields or properties of the objects that are retrieved as a result of a fetch join is determined by the metadata for that class—in this example, the Employee entity class.

```
SELECT d
FROM Department d LEFT JOIN FETCH d.employees
WHERE d.deptno = 1
```

A fetch join has the same join semantics as the corresponding inner or outer join, except that the related objects specified on the right-hand side of the join operation are not returned in the query result or otherwise referenced in the query. Hence, for example, if department 1 has five employees, the above query returns five references to the department 1 entity.

The FETCH JOIN construct must not be used in the FROM clause of a subquery.

### 4.4.6 Collection Member Declarations

An identification variable declared by a *collection\_member\_declaration* ranges over values of a collection obtained by navigation using a path expression.

An identification variable of a collection member declaration is declared using a special operator, the reserved identifier IN. The argument to the IN operator is a collection-valued path expression. The path expression evaluates to a collection type specified as a result of navigation to a collection-valued association field of an entity or embeddable class abstract schema type.

The syntax for declaring a collection member identification variable is as follows:

```
collection_member_declaration ::=
IN (collection valued path expression) [AS] identification variable
```

For example, the query

```
SELECT DISTINCT o
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems 1
WHERE l.product.productType = 'office_supplies'
```

can equivalently be expressed as follows, using the IN operator:

```
SELECT DISTINCT o
FROM Order o, IN(o.lineItems) 1
WHERE l.product.productType = 'office_supplies'
```

In this example, lineItems is the name of an association field whose value is a collection of instances of the abstract schema type LineItem. The identification variable 1 designates a member of this collection, a *single* LineItem abstract schema type instance. In this example, o is an identification variable of the abstract schema type Order.

## 4.4.7 FROM Clause and SQL

The Java Persistence query language treats the FROM clause similarly to SQL in that the declared identification variables affect the results of the query even if they are not used in the WHERE clause. Application developers should use caution in defining identification variables because the domain of the query can depend on whether there are any values of the declared type.

For example, the FROM clause below defines a query over all orders that have line items and existing products. If there are no Product instances in the database, the domain of the query is empty and no order is selected.

```
SELECT o FROM Order AS o JOIN o.lineItems 1 JOIN 1.product p
```

## 4.4.8 Polymorphism

Java Persistence queries are automatically polymorphic. The FROM clause of a query designates not only instances of the specific entity class(es) to which it explicitly refers but instances of subclasses of those classes as well. The instances returned by a query thus include instances of the subclasses that satisfy the query criteria.

Non-polymorphic queries or queries whose polymorphism is restricted can be specified using entity type expressions in the WHERE clause to restrict the domain of the query. See section 4.6.17.4.

# 4.5 WHERE Clause

The WHERE clause of a query consists of a conditional expression used to select objects or values that satisfy the expression. The WHERE clause restricts the result of a select statement or the scope of an update or delete operation.

A WHERE clause is defined as follows:

```
where_clause ::= WHERE conditional_expression
```

The GROUP BY construct enables the aggregation of values according to the properties of an entity class. The HAVING construct enables conditions to be specified that further restrict the query result as restrictions upon the groups.

The syntax of the HAVING clause is as follows:

```
having_clause ::= HAVING conditional_expression
```

The GROUP BY and HAVING constructs are further discussed in Section 4.7.

# 4.6 Conditional Expressions

The following sections describe language constructs that can be used in a conditional expression of the WHERE clause or HAVING clause of a query.

State fields that are mapped in serialized form or as lobs cannot be portably used in conditional expressions<sup>[54]</sup>.

# 4.6.1 Literals

A string literal is enclosed in single quotes—for example: 'literal'. A string literal that includes a single quote is represented by two single quotes—for example: 'literal''s'. String literals in queries, like Java String literals, use unicode character encoding. The use of Java escape notation is not supported in query string literals.

Exact numeric literals support the use of Java integer literal syntax as well as SQL exact numeric literal syntax.

Approximate literals support the use Java floating point literal syntax as well as SQL approximate numeric literal syntax.

Appropriate suffixes can be used to indicate the specific type of a numeric literal in accordance with the Java Language Specification. Support for the use of hexadecimal and octal numeric literals is not required by this specification.

Enum literals support the use of Java enum literal syntax. The fully qualified enum class name must be specified.

The JDBC escape syntax may be used for the specification of date, time, and timestamp literals. For example:

```
SELECT o
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o
WHERE c.name = 'Smith'
AND o.submissionDate < {d '2008-12-31'}
```

The portability of this syntax for date, time, and timestamp literals is dependent upon the JDBC driver in use. Persistence providers are not required to translate from this syntax into the native syntax of the database or driver.

The boolean literals are TRUE and FALSE.

Entity type literals are specified by entity names—for example: Customer.

Although reserved literals appear in upper case, they are case insensitive.

<sup>[54]</sup> The implementation is not expected to perform such query operations involving such fields in memory rather than in the database.

#### 4.6.2 Identification Variables

All identification variables used in the WHERE or HAVING clause of a SELECT or DELETE statement must be declared in the FROM clause, as described in Section 4.4.2. The identification variables used in the WHERE clause of an UPDATE statement must be declared in the UPDATE clause.

Identification variables are existentially quantified in the WHERE and HAVING clause. This means that an identification variable represents a member of a collection or an instance of an entity's abstract schema type. An identification variable never designates a collection in its entirety.

#### 4.6.3 Path Expressions

It is illegal to use a *collection\_valued\_path\_expression* within a WHERE or HAVING clause as part of a conditional expression except in an *empty\_collection\_comparison\_expression*, in a *collection\_member\_expression*, or as an argument to the SIZE operator.

## 4.6.4 Input Parameters

Either positional or named parameters may be used. Positional and named parameters must not be mixed in a single query.

Input parameters can only be used in the WHERE clause or HAVING clause of a query.

Note that if an input parameter value is null, comparison operations or arithmetic operations involving the input parameter will return an unknown value. See Section 4.11.

All input parameters must be single-valued, except in IN expressions (see section 4.6.9), which support the use of collection-valued input parameters.

The API for the binding of query parameters is described in Chapter 3.

#### 4.6.4.1 Positional Parameters

The following rules apply to positional parameters.

- Input parameters are designated by the question mark (?) prefix followed by an integer. For example: ?1.
- Input parameters are numbered starting from 1.
- The same parameter can be used more than once in the query string.
- The ordering of the use of parameters within the query string need not conform to the order of the positional parameters.

#### 4.6.4.2 Named Parameters

A named parameter is denoted by an identifier that is prefixed by the ":" symbol. It follows the rules for identifiers defined in Section 4.4.1. Named parameters are case sensitive.

#### Example:

```
SELECT c
FROM Customer c
WHERE c.status = :stat
```

The same named parameter can be used more than once in the query string.

## 4.6.5 Conditional Expression Composition

Conditional expressions are composed of other conditional expressions, comparison operations, logical operations, path expressions that evaluate to boolean values, boolean literals, and boolean input parameters.

The scalar expressions described in section 4.6.17 can be used in conditional expressions.

Aggregate functions can only be used in conditional expressions in a HAVING clause. See section 4.7.

Standard bracketing () for ordering expression evaluation is supported.

Conditional expressions are defined as follows:

#### 4.6.6 Operators and Operator Precedence

The operators are listed below in order of decreasing precedence.

- Navigation operator (.)
- Arithmetic operators:
  - +, unary
  - \*, / multiplication and division
  - +, addition and subtraction

- Comparison operators: =, >, >=, <, <=, <> (not equal), [NOT] BETWEEN, [NOT] LIKE, [NOT] IN, IS [NOT] NULL, IS [NOT] EMPTY, [NOT] MEMBER [OF], [NOT] EXISTS
- Logical operators:

NOT

AND

OR

The following sections describe other operators used in specific expressions.

## 4.6.7 Comparison Expressions

The syntax for the use of comparison expressions in a conditional expression is as follows<sup>[55]</sup>:

```
comparison_expression ::=
    string_expression comparison_operator {string_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
    boolean_expression { = |<> } {boolean_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
    enum_expression { = |<> } {enum_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
    datetime_expression comparison_operator
        {datetime_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
    entity_expression { = |<> } {entity_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
    arithmetic_expression comparison_operator
        {arithmetic_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
    entity_type_expression { = |<> } entity_type_expression} |
    comparison_operator ::= = | > | > = | < | <> |

Examples:

item.cost * 1.08 <= 100.00

CONCAT(person.lastName, ', ', person.firstName)) = 'Jones, Sam'

TYPE(e) = ExemptEmployee</pre>
```

#### 4.6.8 Between Expressions

The syntax for the use of the comparison operator [NOT] BETWEEN in a conditional expression is as follows:

```
between_expression ::=
    arithmetic_expression [NOT] BETWEEN arithmetic_expression AND arithmetic_expression |
    string_expression [NOT] BETWEEN string_expression AND string_expression |
    datetime_expression [NOT] BETWEEN datetime_expression AND datetime_expression
```

<sup>[55]</sup> Note that queries that contain subqueries on both sides of a comparison operation will not be portable across all databases.

The BETWEEN expression

```
x BETWEEN y AND z
```

is semantically equivalent to:

```
y \le x AND x \le z
```

The rules for unknown and NULL values in comparison operations apply. See Section 4.11.

#### Examples:

```
p.age BETWEEN 15 and 19 is equivalent to p.age >= 15 AND p.age <= 19
p.age NOT BETWEEN 15 and 19 is equivalent to p.age < 15 OR p.age > 19
```

In the following example, transactionHistory is a list of credit card transactions defined using an order column.

```
SELECT t
FROM CreditCard c JOIN c.transactionHistory t
WHERE c.holder.name = 'John Doe' AND INDEX(t) BETWEEN 0 AND 9
```

## 4.6.9 In Expressions

The syntax for the use of the comparison operator [NOT] IN in a conditional expression is as follows:

The state\_field\_path\_expression must have a string, numeric, date, time, timestamp, or enum value.

The literal and/or input parameter values must be *like* the same abstract schema type of the *state field path expression* in type. (See Section 4.12).

The results of the subquery must be *like* the same abstract schema type of the **state\_field\_path\_expression** in type. Subqueries are discussed in Section 4.6.16.

#### Examples:

```
o.country IN ('UK', 'US', 'France') is true for UK and false for Peru, and is equivalent to the expression (o.country = 'UK') OR (o.country = 'US') OR (o.country = 'France').
```

```
o.country NOT IN ('UK', 'US', 'France') is false for UK and true for Peru, and is equivalent to the expression NOT ((o.country = 'UK') OR (o.country = 'US') OR (o.country = 'France')).
```

There must be at least one element in the comma separated list that defines the set of values for the IN expression.

If the value of a *state\_field\_path\_expression* or *in\_item* in an IN or NOT IN expression is NULL or unknown, the value of the expression is unknown.

Note that use of a collection-valued input parameter will mean that a static query cannot be precompiled.

#### 4.6.10 Like Expressions

The syntax for the use of the comparison operator [NOT] LIKE in a conditional expression is as follows:

```
like_expression ::=
string expression [NOT] LIKE pattern value [ESCAPE escape character]
```

The *string\_expression* must have a string value. The *pattern\_value* is a string literal or a string-valued input parameter in which an underscore (\_) stands for any single character, a percent (%) character stands for any sequence of characters (including the empty sequence), and all other characters stand for themselves. The optional *escape\_character* is a single-character string literal or a character-valued input parameter (i.e., char or Character) and is used to escape the special meaning of the underscore and percent characters in *pattern\_value*. [56]

#### Examples:

- address.phone LIKE '12%3' is true for '123' '12993' and false for '1234'
- asentence.word LIKE 'l se' is true for 'lose' and false for 'loose'
- aword.underscored LIKE '\ %' ESCAPE '\' is true for ' foo' and false for 'bar'
- address.phone NOT LIKE '12%3' is false for '123' and '12993' and true for '1234'

If the value of the *string\_expression* or *pattern\_value* is NULL or unknown, the value of the LIKE expression is unknown. If the *escape\_character* is specified and is NULL, the value of the LIKE expression is unknown.

#### 4.6.11 Null Comparison Expressions

The syntax for the use of the comparison operator IS NULL in a conditional expression is as follows:

<sup>[56]</sup> Refer to [4] for a more precise characterization of these rules.

A null comparison expression tests whether or not the single-valued path expression or input parameter is a NULL value.

Null comparisons over instances of embeddable class types are not supported. Support for comparisons over embeddables may be added in a future release of this specification.

## 4.6.12 Empty Collection Comparison Expressions

The syntax for the use of the comparison operator IS EMPTY in an *empty\_collection\_comparison\_expression* is as follows:

This expression tests whether or not the collection designated by the collection-valued path expression is empty (i.e, has no elements).

#### Example:

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.lineItems IS EMPTY
```

If the value of the collection-valued path expression in an empty collection comparison expression is unknown, the value of the empty comparison expression is unknown.

#### **4.6.13** Collection Member Expressions

The syntax for the use of the comparison operator MEMBER OF<sup>[57]</sup> in ar *collection\_member\_expression* is as follows:

This expression tests whether the designated value is a member of the collection specified by the collection-valued path expression.

<sup>[57]</sup> The use of the reserved word OF is optional in this expression.

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Expressions that evaluate to embeddable types are not supported in collection member expressions. Support for use of embeddables in collection member expressions may be added in a future release of this specification.

If the collection valued path expression designates an empty collection, the value of the MEMBER OF expression is FALSE and the value of the NOT MEMBER OF expression is TRUE. Otherwise, if the value of the *collection\_valued\_path\_expression* or *entity\_or\_value\_expression* in the collection member expression is NULL or unknown, the value of the collection member expression is unknown.

#### Example:

```
SELECT p
FROM Person p
WHERE 'Joe' MEMBER OF p.nicknames
```

#### **4.6.14** Exists Expressions

An EXISTS expression is a predicate that is true only if the result of the subquery consists of one or more values and that is false otherwise.

The syntax of an exists expression is

```
exists_expression::= [NOT] EXISTS (subquery)
```

#### Example:

```
SELECT DISTINCT emp
FROM Employee emp
WHERE EXISTS (
SELECT spouseEmp
FROM Employee spouseEmp
WHERE spouseEmp = emp.spouse)
```

The result of this guery consists of all employees whose spouses are also employees.

# 4.6.15 All or Any Expressions

An ALL conditional expression is a predicate over a subquery that is true if the comparison operation is true for all values in the result of the subquery or the result of the subquery is empty. An ALL conditional expression is false if the result of the comparison is false for at least one value of the result of the subquery, and is unknown if neither true nor false.

An ANY conditional expression is a predicate over a subquery that is true if the comparison operation is true for some value in the result of the subquery. An ANY conditional expression is false if the result of the subquery is empty or if the comparison operation is false for every value in the result of the subquery, and is unknown if neither true nor false. The keyword SOME is synonymous with ANY.

The comparison operators used with ALL or ANY conditional expressions are =, <, <=, >, >=, <>. The result of the subquery must be like that of the other argument to the comparison operator in type. See Section 4.12.

The syntax of an ALL or ANY expression is specified as follows:

```
all_or_any_expression ::= { ALL | ANY | SOME} (subquery)
```

Example:

```
SELECT emp
FROM Employee emp
WHERE emp.salary > ALL (
         SELECT m.salary
        FROM Manager m
        WHERE m.department = emp.department)
```

The result of this query consists of all employees whose salaries exceed the salaries of all managers in their department.

## 4.6.16 Subqueries

Subqueries may be used in the WHERE or HAVING clause. [58]

The syntax for subqueries is as follows:

```
subquery ::= simple select clause subquery from clause [where clause]
                [groupby_clause] [having_clause]
simple select clause ::= SELECT [DISTINCT] simple select expression
subquery_from_clause ::=
        FROM subselect_identification_variable_declaration
                {, subselect_identification_variable_declaration |
                  collection member declaration }*
subselect identification variable declaration ::=
        identification_variable_declaration |
        derived path expression [AS] identification variable {join}* |
        derived_collection_member_declaration
simple select expression::=
        single valued path expression |
        scalar expression |
        aggregate_expression |
        identification_variable
derived_path_expression ::=
  superquery_identification_variable.{single_valued_object_field.}*collection_valued_field |
  superquery identification variable. \( \)single valued object field. \( \) \( \)*single valued object field
derived_collection_member_declaration ::=
  IN superquery_identification_variable.{single_valued_object_field.}*collection_valued_field
```

<sup>[58]</sup> Subqueries are restricted to the WHERE and HAVING clauses in this release. Support for subqueries in the FROM clause will be considered in a later release of this specification.

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#### Examples:

```
SELECT DISTINCT emp
FROM Employee emp
WHERE EXISTS (
SELECT spouseEmp
FROM Employee spouseEmp
WHERE spouseEmp = emp.spouse)
```

Note that some contexts in which a subquery can be used require that the subquery be a scalar subquery (i.e., produce a single result). This is illustrated in the following examples using numeric comparisons.

```
SELECT c
FROM Customer c
WHERE (SELECT AVG(o.price) FROM c.orders o) > 100
SELECT goodCustomer
FROM Customer goodCustomer
WHERE goodCustomer.balanceOwed < (
    SELECT AVG(c.balanceOwed)/2.0 FROM Customer c)</pre>
```

## 4.6.17 Scalar Expressions

Numeric, string, datetime, case, and entity type expressions result in scalar values.

Scalar expressions may be used in the SELECT clause of a query as well as in the WHERE<sup>[59]</sup> and HAVING clauses.

```
scalar_expression::=
    simple_arithmetic_expression |
    string_primary |
    enum_primary |
    datetime_primary |
    boolean_primary |
    case_expression |
    entity_type_expression
```

## 4.6.17.1 Arithmetic Expressions

The arithmetic operators are:

```
+, - unary
```

\*, / multiplication and division

+, - addition and subtraction

Arithmetic operations use numeric promotion.

Arithmetic functions are described in section 4.6.17.2.2.

<sup>[59]</sup> Note that expressions involving aggregate operators must not be used in the WHERE clause.

#### 4.6.17.2 String, Arithmetic, and Datetime Functional Expressions

The Java Persistence query language includes the built-in functions described in subsections 4.6.17.2.1, 4.6.17.2.2, 4.6.17.2.3, which may be used in the SELECT, WHERE or HAVING clause of a query.

If the value of any argument to a functional expression is null or unknown, the value of the functional expression is unknown.

#### **4.6.17.2.1 String Functions**

```
functions_returning_strings ::=

CONCAT(string_primary, string_primary {, string_primary}*) |

SUBSTRING(string_primary,

simple_arithmetic_expression [, simple_arithmetic_expression]) |

TRIM([[trim_specification] [trim_character] FROM] string_primary) |

LOWER(string_primary) |

UPPER(string_primary)

trim_specification ::= LEADING | TRAILING | BOTH

functions_returning_numerics::=

LENGTH(string_primary) |

LOCATE(string_primary, string_primary[, simple_arithmetic_expression])
```

The CONCAT function returns a string that is a concatenation of its arguments.

The second and third arguments of the SUBSTRING function denote the starting position and length of the substring to be returned. These arguments are integers. The third argument is optional. If it is not specified, the substring from the start position to the end of the string is returned. The first position of a string is denoted by 1. The SUBSTRING function returns a string.

The TRIM function trims the specified character from a string. If the character to be trimmed is not specified, it will be assumed to be space (or blank). The optional *trim\_character* is a single-character string literal or a character-valued input parameter (i.e., char or Character)<sup>[60]</sup>. If a trim specification is not provided, it defaults to BOTH. The TRIM function returns the trimmed string.

The LOWER and UPPER functions convert a string to lower and upper case, respectively, with regard to the locale of the database. They return a string.

The LOCATE function returns the position of a given string within a string, starting the search at a specified position. It returns the first position at which the string was found as an integer. The first argument is the string to be located; the second argument is the string to be searched; the optional third argument is an integer that represents the string position at which the search is started (by default, the beginning of the string to be searched). The first position in a string is denoted by 1. If the string is not found, 0 is returned. [61]

<sup>[60]</sup> Note that not all databases support the use of a trim character other than the space character; use of this argument may result in queries that are not portable.

<sup>[61]</sup> Note that not all databases support the use of the third argument to LOCATE; use of this argument may result in queries that are not portable.

The LENGTH function returns the length of the string in characters as an integer.

#### 4.6.17.2.2 Arithmetic Functions

```
functions_returning_numerics::=

ABS(simple_arithmetic_expression) |

SQRT(simple_arithmetic_expression) |

MOD(simple_arithmetic_expression, simple_arithmetic_expression) |

SIZE(collection_valued_path_expression) |

INDEX(identification_variable)
```

The ABS function takes a numeric argument and returns a number (integer, float, or double) of the same type as the argument to the function.

The SQRT function takes a numeric argument and returns a double.

The MOD function takes two integer arguments and returns an integer.

Numeric arguments to these functions may correspond to the numeric Java object types as well as the primitive numeric types.

The SIZE function returns an integer value, the number of elements of the collection. If the collection is empty, the SIZE function evaluates to zero.

The INDEX function returns an integer value corresponding to the position of its argument in an ordered list. The INDEX function can only be applied to identification variables denoting types for which an order column has been specified.

In the following example, studentWaitlist is a list of students for which an order column has been specified:

```
SELECT w.name
FROM Course c JOIN c.studentWaitlist w
WHERE c.name = 'Calculus'
AND INDEX(w) = 0
```

#### 4.6.17.2.3 Datetime Functions

```
functions_returning_datetime:=
CURRENT_DATE |
CURRENT_TIME |
CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
```

The datetime functions return the value of current date, time, and timestamp on the database server.

#### 4.6.17.3 Case Expressions

The following forms of case expressions are supported: general case expressions, simple case expressions, coalesce expressions, and nullif expressions. [62]

```
case_expression::=
       general case expression |
       simple case expression |
       coalesce_expression |
       nullif_expression
general_case_expression::=
       CASE when_clause {when_clause}* ELSE scalar_expression END
when clause::= WHEN conditional expression THEN scalar expression
simple_case_expression::=
       CASE case_operand simple_when_clause {simple_when_clause}*
       ELSE scalar expression
case operand::= state field path expression | type discriminator
simple_when_clause::= WHEN scalar_expression THEN scalar_expression
coalesce_expression::= COALESCE(scalar_expression {, scalar_expression}+)
nullif expression::= NULLIF(scalar expression, scalar expression)
Examples:
UPDATE Employee e
SET e.salary =
   CASE WHEN e.rating = 1 THEN e.salary * 1.1
         WHEN e.rating = 2 THEN e.salary * 1.05
         ELSE e.salary * 1.01
   END
UPDATE Employee e
SET e.salary =
  CASE e.rating WHEN 1 THEN e.salary * 1.1
                  WHEN 2 THEN e.salary * 1.05
                  ELSE e.salary * 1.01
  END
SELECT e.name,
        CASE TYPE(e) WHEN Exempt THEN 'Exempt'
                       WHEN Contractor THEN 'Contractor'
                       WHEN Intern THEN 'Intern'
                       ELSE 'NonExempt'
        END
FROM Employee e
WHERE e.dept.name = 'Engineering'
```

<sup>[62]</sup> Note that not all databases support the use of SQL case expressions. The use of case expressions may result in queries that are not portable to such databases.

```
SELECT e.name,
f.name,
CONCAT(CASE WHEN f.annualMiles > 50000 THEN 'Platinum '
WHEN f.annualMiles > 25000 THEN 'Gold '
ELSE ''
END,
'Frequent Flyer')
FROM Employee e JOIN e.frequentFlierPlan f
```

#### 4.6.17.4 Entity Type Expressions

An entity type expression can be used to restrict query polymorphism. The TYPE operator returns the exact type of the argument.

The syntax of an entity type expression is as follows:

An *entity\_type\_literal* is designated by the entity name.

The Java class of the entity is used as an input parameter to specify the entity type.

## Examples:

```
SELECT e
FROM Employee e
WHERE TYPE(e) IN (Exempt, Contractor)

SELECT e
FROM Employee e
WHERE TYPE(e) IN (:empType1, :empType2)

SELECT e
FROM Employee e
WHERE TYPE(e) IN :empTypes

SELECT TYPE(e) IN :empTypes
```

# 4.7 GROUP BY, HAVING

The GROUP BY construct enables the aggregation of result values according to a set of properties. The HAVING construct enables conditions to be specified that further restrict the query result. Such conditions are restrictions upon the groups.

The syntax of the GROUP BY and HAVING clauses is as follows:

```
groupby_clause ::= GROUP BY groupby_item {, groupby_item}*
groupby_item ::= single_valued_path_expression | identification_variable
```

```
having clause ::= HAVING conditional expression
```

If a query contains both a WHERE clause and a GROUP BY clause, the effect is that of first applying the where clause, and then forming the groups and filtering them according to the HAVING clause. The HAVING clause causes those groups to be retained that satisfy the condition of the HAVING clause.

The requirements for the SELECT clause when GROUP BY is used follow those of SQL: namely, any item that appears in the SELECT clause (other than as an aggregate function or as an argument to an aggregate function) must also appear in the GROUP BY clause. In forming the groups, null values are treated as the same for grouping purposes.

Grouping by an entity is permitted. In this case, the entity must contain no serialized state fields or lob-valued state fields that are eagerly fetched. Grouping by an entity that contains serialized state fields or lob-valued state fields is not portable, since the implementation is permitted to eagerly fetch fields or properties that have been specified as LAZY.

Grouping by embeddables is not supported.

The HAVING clause is used to filter over the groups, and can contain aggregate functions over attributes included in the groups and/or functions or other query language operators over the attributes that are used for grouping. It is not required that an aggregate function used in the HAVING clause also be used in the SELECT clause.

If there is no GROUP BY clause and the HAVING clause is used, the result is treated as a single group, and the select list can only consist of aggregate functions. The use of HAVING in the absence of GROUP BY is not required to be supported by an implementation of this specification. Portable applications should not rely on HAVING without the use of GROUP BY.

#### Examples:

```
SELECT c.status, AVG(c.filledOrderCount), COUNT(c)
FROM Customer c
GROUP BY c.status
HAVING c.status IN (1, 2)

SELECT c.country, COUNT(c)
FROM Customer c
GROUP BY c.country
HAVING COUNT(c) > 30
```

SELECT Clause

## 4.8 SELECT Clause

The SELECT clause denotes the query result. More than one value may be returned from the SELECT clause of a query.

The SELECT clause can contain one or more of the following elements: an identification variable that ranges over an entity abstract schema type, a single-valued path expression, a scalar expression, an aggregate expression, a constructor expression.

The SELECT clause has the following syntax:

```
select_clause ::= SELECT [DISTINCT] select_item {, select_item}*
select_item ::= select_expression [ [AS] result_variable]
select_expression ::=
        single valued path expression
        scalar expression
        aggregate_expression |
        identification_variable |
        OBJECT(identification_variable)
        constructor expression
constructor_expression ::=
        NEW constructor_name ( constructor_item {, constructor_item}*)
constructor_item ::=
        single_valued_path_expression |
        scalar expression
        aggregate expression |
        identification variable
aggregate_expression ::=
        { AVG | MAX | MIN | SUM } (/DISTINCT] state field path expression) |
        COUNT ([DISTINCT] identification variable | state field path expression |
                single valued object path expression)
```

#### For example:

```
SELECT c.id, c.status
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o
WHERE o.count > 100
```

In the following example, videoInventory is a Map from the entity Movie to the number of copies in stock:

```
SELECT v.location.street, KEY(i).title, VALUE(i)
FROM VideoStore v JOIN v.videoInventory i
WHERE v.location.zipcode = '94301' AND VALUE(i) > 0
```

Note that the SELECT clause must be specified to return only single-valued expressions. The query below is therefore not valid:

```
SELECT o.lineItems FROM Order AS o
```

The DISTINCT keyword is used to specify that duplicate values must be eliminated from the query result.

If DISTINCT is not specified, duplicate values are not eliminated.

The result of DISTINCT over embeddable objects or map *entry* results is undefined.

Standalone identification variables in the SELECT clause may optionally be qualified by the OBJECT operator. [63] The SELECT clause must not use the OBJECT operator to qualify path expressions.

A result\_variable may be used to name a select\_item in the query result. [64]

For example,

```
SELECT c, COUNT(1) AS itemCount
FROM Customer c JOIN c.Orders o JOIN o.lineItems 1
WHERE c.address.state = 'CA'
ORDER BY itemCount
```

## 4.8.1 Result Type of the SELECT Clause

The type of the query result specified by the SELECT clause of a query is an entity abstract schema type, a state field type, the result of a scalar expression, the result of an aggregate function, the result of a construction operation, or some sequence of these.

The result type of the SELECT clause is defined by the result types of the select expressions contained in it. When multiple select expressions are used in the SELECT clause, the elements in this result correspond in order to the order of their specification in the SELECT clause and in type to the result types of each of the select expressions.

The type of the result of a **select\_expression** is as follows:

- The result type of an *identification\_variable* is the type of the entity object or embeddable object to which the identification variable corresponds. The type of an *identification\_variable* that refers to an entity abstract schema type is the type of the entity to which that identification variable corresponds or a subtype as determined by the object/relational mapping.
- The result type of a *single\_valued\_path\_expression* that is a *state\_field\_path\_expression* is the same type as the corresponding state field of the entity or embeddable class. If the state field of the entity is a primitive type, the result type is the corresponding object type.
- The result type of a <u>single\_valued\_path\_expression</u> that is a <u>single\_valued\_object\_path\_expression</u> is the type of the entity object or embeddable object to which the path expression corresponds. A <u>single\_valued\_object\_path\_expression</u>

<sup>[63]</sup> Note that the keyword OBJECT is not required. It is preferred that it be omitted for new queries.

<sup>[64]</sup> This can be used, for example, to refer to a select expression in the ORDER BY clause.

that results in an entity object will result in an entity of the type of the relationship field or the subtype of the relationship field of the entity object as determined by the object/relational mapping.

- The result type of a single\_valued\_path\_expression that is an identification\_variable to
  which the KEY or VALUE function has been applied is determined by the type of the map key
  or value respectively, as defined by the above rules.
- The result type of a *single\_valued\_path\_expression* that is an *identification\_variable* to which the ENTRY function has been applied is <code>java.util.Map.Entry</code>, where the key and value types of the map entry are determined by the above rules as applied to the map key and map value respectively.
- The result type of a *scalar\_expression* is the type of the scalar value to which the expression evaluates. The result type of a numeric *scalar\_expression* is defined in section 4.8.6.
- The result type of an *entity\_type\_expression* scalar expression is the Java class to which the resulting abstract schema type corresponds.
- The result type of *aggregate\_expression* is defined in section 4.8.5.
- The result type of a *constructor\_expression* is the type of the class for which the constructor is defined. The types of the arguments to the constructor are defined by the above rules.

# **4.8.2** Constructor Expressions in the SELECT Clause

A constructor may be used in the SELECT list to return an instance of a Java class. The specified class is not required to be an entity or to be mapped to the database. The constructor name must be fully qualified.

If an entity class name is specified as the constructor name in the SELECT NEW clause, the resulting entity instances are in the new state.

If a single\_valued\_path\_expression or identification\_variable that is an argument to the constructor references an entity, the resulting entity instance referenced by that single\_valued\_path\_expression or identification\_variable will be in the managed state.

For example,

```
SELECT NEW com.acme.example.CustomerDetails(c.id, c.status, o.count) FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o WHERE o.count > 100
```

#### 4.8.3 Null Values in the Query Result

If the result of a query corresponds to an association field or state field whose value is null, that null value is returned in the result of the query method. The IS NOT NULL construct can be used to eliminate such null values from the result set of the query.

Note, however, that state field types defined in terms of Java numeric primitive types cannot produce NULL values in the query result. A query that returns such a state field type as a result type must not return a null value.

# 4.8.4 Embeddables in the Query Result

If the result of a query corresponds to an identification variable or state field whose value is an embeddable, the embeddable instance returned by the query will not be in the managed state (i.e., it will not be part of the state of any managed entity).

In the following example, the Address instances returned by the query will reference Phone instances. While the Phone instances will be managed, the Address instances referenced by the addr result variable will not be. Modifications to these embeddable instances will have no effect on persistent state.

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
    @Id int id;
    Address address;
    ...
}

@Embeddable
public class Address {
    String street;
    ...
    @OneToOne Phone phone; // fetch=EAGER
}

@Entity
public class Phone {
    @Id int id;
    ...
    @OneToOne(mappedBy="address.phone") Employee emp; // fetch=EAGER
}

SELECT e.address AS addr
FROM Employee e
```

## 4.8.5 Aggregate Functions in the SELECT Clause

The result of a query may be the result of an aggregate function applied to a path expression.

The following aggregate functions can be used in the SELECT clause of a query: AVG, COUNT, MAX, MIN, SUM.

For all aggregate functions except COUNT, the path expression that is the argument to the aggregate function must terminate in a state field. The path expression argument to COUNT may terminate in either a state field or a association field, or the argument to COUNT may be an identification variable.

Arguments to the functions SUM and AVG must be numeric. Arguments to the functions MAX and MIN must correspond to orderable state field types (i.e., numeric types, string types, character types, or date types).

The Java type that is contained in the result of a query using an aggregate function is as follows:

- COUNT returns Long.
- MAX, MIN return the type of the state field to which they are applied.
- AVG returns Double.
- SUM returns Long when applied to state fields of integral types (other than BigInteger); Double when applied to state fields of floating point types; BigInteger when applied to state fields of type BigInteger; and BigDecimal when applied to state fields of type BigDecimal.

Null values are eliminated before the aggregate function is applied, regardless of whether the keyword DISTINCT is specified.

If SUM, AVG, MAX, or MIN is used, and there are no values to which the aggregate function can be applied, the result of the aggregate function is NULL.

If COUNT is used, and there are no values to which COUNT can be applied, the result of the aggregate function is 0.

The argument to an aggregate function may be preceded by the keyword DISTINCT to specify that duplicate values are to be eliminated before the aggregate function is applied. [65]

The use of DISTINCT with COUNT is not supported for arguments of embeddable types or map entry types.

#### **4.8.5.1** Examples

The following query returns the average order quantity:

```
SELECT AVG(o.quantity) FROM Order o
```

The following query returns the total cost of the items that John Smith has ordered.

```
SELECT SUM(1.price)
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems 1 JOIN o.customer c
WHERE c.lastname = 'Smith' AND c.firstname = 'John'
```

The following query returns the total number of orders.

```
SELECT COUNT(o) FROM Order o
```

<sup>[65]</sup> It is legal to specify DISTINCT with MAX or MIN, but it does not affect the result.

The following query counts the number of items in John Smith's order for which prices have been specified.

```
SELECT COUNT(1.price)
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems 1 JOIN o.customer c
WHERE c.lastname = 'Smith' AND c.firstname = 'John'
Note that this is equivalent to:
```

```
SELECT COUNT(1)
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems l JOIN o.customer c
WHERE c.lastname = 'Smith' AND c.firstname = 'John'
AND l.price IS NOT NULL
```

## 4.8.6 Numeric Expressions in the SELECT Clause

The type of a numeric expression in the query result is determined as follows:

An operand that corresponds to a persistent state field is of the same type as that persistent state field.

An operand that corresponds to one of arithmetic functions described in section 4.6.17.2.2 is of the type defined by section 4.6.17.2.2.

An operand that corresponds to one of an aggregate functions described in section 4.8.5 is of the type defined by section 4.8.5.

The result of a case expression, coalesce expression, nullif expression, or arithmetic expression (+, -, \*, /) is determined by applying the following rule to its operands <sup>[66]</sup>.

- If there is an operand of type Double or double, the result of the operation is of type Double;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of type Float or float, the result of the operation is of type Float;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of type BigDecimal, the result of the operation is of type BigDecimal;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of type BigInteger, the result of the operation is of type BigInteger, unless the operator is / (division), in which case the numeric result type is not further defined;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of type Long or long, the result of the operation is of type Long, unless the operator is / (division), in which case the numeric result type is not further defined;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of integral type, the result of the operation is of type Integer, unless the operator is / (division), in which case the numeric result type is not further defined.

<sup>[66]</sup> In the case of a general or simple case expression, these are the scalar expressions of the THEN and ELSE clauses.

Users should note that the semantics of the SQL division operation are not standard across databases. In particular, when both operands are of integral types, the result of the division operation will be an integral type in some databases, and an non-integral type in others. Portable applications should not assume a particular result type.

#### 4.9 ORDER BY Clause

The ORDER BY clause allows the objects or values that are returned by the query to be ordered.

The syntax of the ORDER BY clause is

```
orderby_clause ::= ORDER BY orderby_item {, orderby_item}*
orderby_item ::= { state_field_path_expression | result_variable } [ASC | DESC]
```

An *orderby\_item* must be one of the following:

- A state\_field\_path\_expression that evaluates to an orderable state field of an entity or embeddable class abstract schema type designated in the SELECT clause by one of the following:
  - a general\_identification\_variable
  - a single\_valued\_object\_path\_expression
- 2. A *state\_field\_path\_expression* that evaluates to the same state field of the same entity or embeddable abstract schema type as a *state\_field\_path\_expression* in the SELECT clause
- 3. A result\_variable that refers to an orderable item in the SELECT clause for which the same result\_variable has been specified. This may be the result of an aggregate\_expression, a scalar expression, or a state field path expression in the SELECT clause.

For example, the four queries below are legal.

```
SELECT o
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN c.address a
WHERE a.state = 'CA'
ORDER BY o.quantity DESC, o.totalcost

SELECT o.quantity, a.zipcode
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN c.address a
WHERE a.state = 'CA'
ORDER BY o.quantity, a.zipcode

SELECT o.quantity, o.cost*1.08 AS taxedCost, a.zipcode
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN c.address a
WHERE a.state = 'CA' AND a.county = 'Santa Clara'
ORDER BY o.quantity, taxedCost, a.zipcode
```

```
SELECT AVG(o.quantity) as q, a.zipcode
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN c.address a
WHERE a.state = 'CA'
GROUP BY a.zipcode
ORDER BY q DESC
```

The following two queries are *not* legal because the *orderby\_item* is not reflected in the SELECT clause of the query.

```
SELECT p.product_name
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems l JOIN l.product p JOIN o.customer c
WHERE c.lastname = 'Smith' AND c.firstname = 'John'
ORDER BY p.price

SELECT p.product_name
FROM Order o, IN(o.lineItems) l JOIN o.customer c
WHERE c.lastname = 'Smith' AND c.firstname = 'John'
ORDER BY o.quantity
```

If more than one *orderby\_item* is specified, the left-to-right sequence of the *orderby\_item* elements determines the precedence, whereby the leftmost *orderby\_item* has highest precedence.

The keyword ASC specifies that ascending ordering be used for the associated *orderby\_item*; the keyword DESC specifies that descending ordering be used. Ascending ordering is the default.

SQL rules for the ordering of null values apply: that is, all null values must appear before all non-null values in the ordering or all null values must appear after all non-null values in the ordering, but it is not specified which.

The ordering of the query result is preserved in the result of the query execution method if the ORDER BY clause is used.

# 4.10 Bulk Update and Delete Operations

Bulk update and delete operations apply to entities of a single entity class (together with its subclasses, if any). Only one entity abstract schema type may be specified in the FROM or UPDATE clause.

The syntax of these operations is as follows:

```
delete_statement ::= delete_clause [where_clause]
delete_clause ::= DELETE FROM entity_name [[AS] identification_variable]
```

The syntax of the WHERE clause is described in Section 4.5.

A delete operation only applies to entities of the specified class and its subclasses. It does not cascade to related entities.

The *new\_value* specified for an update operation must be compatible in type with the field to which it is assigned.

Bulk update maps directly to a database update operation, bypassing optimistic locking checks. Portable applications must manually update the value of the version column, if desired, and/or manually validate the value of the version column.

The persistence context is not synchronized with the result of the bulk update or delete.

Caution should be used when executing bulk update or delete operations because they may result in inconsistencies between the database and the entities in the active persistence context. In general, bulk update and delete operations should only be performed within a transaction in a new persistence context or before fetching or accessing entities whose state might be affected by such operations.

#### Examples:

```
DELETE
FROM Customer c
WHERE c.status = 'inactive'

DELETE
FROM Customer c
WHERE c.status = 'inactive'
AND c.orders IS EMPTY

UPDATE customer c
SET c.status = 'outstanding'
WHERE c.balance < 10000
```

# 4.11 Null Values

When the target of a reference does not exist in the database, its value is regarded as NULL. SQL NULL semantics [4] defines the evaluation of conditional expressions containing NULL values.

The following is a brief description of these semantics:

- Comparison or arithmetic operations with a NULL value always yield an unknown value.
- Two NULL values are not considered to be equal, the comparison yields an unknown value.
- Comparison or arithmetic operations with an unknown value always yield an unknown value.

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- The IS NULL and IS NOT NULL operators convert a NULL state field or single-valued object field value into the respective TRUE or FALSE value.
- Boolean operators use three valued logic, defined by Table 1, Table 2, and Table 3.

## Table 1 Definition of the AND Operator

AND	T	F	U
T	T	F	U
F	F	F	F
U	U	F	U

#### Table 2Definition of the OR Operator

OR	T	F	U
T	T	T	T
F	T	F	U
U	T	U	U

#### Table 3 Definition of the NOT Operator

NOT	
T	F
F	Т
U	U

Note: The Java Persistence query language defines the empty string, '', as a string with 0 length, which is not equal to a NULL value. However, NULL values and empty strings may not always be distinguished when queries are mapped to some databases. Application developers should therefore not rely on the semantics of query comparisons involving the empty string and NULL value.

**Equality and Comparison Semantics** 

# 4.12 Equality and Comparison Semantics

Only the values of *like* types are permitted to be compared. A type is *like* another type if they correspond to the same Java language type, or if one is a primitive Java language type and the other is the wrappered Java class type equivalent (e.g., int and Integer are like types in this sense). There is one exception to this rule: it is valid to compare numeric values for which the rules of numeric promotion apply. Conditional expressions attempting to compare non-like type values are disallowed except for this numeric case.

Note that the arithmetic operators and comparison operators are permitted to be applied to state fields and input parameters of the wrappered Java class equivalents to the primitive numeric Java types.

Two entities of the same abstract schema type are equal if and only if they have the same primary key value.

Only equality/inequality comparisons over enums are required to be supported.

Comparisons over instances of embeddable class or map entry types are not supported.

# 4.13 Examples

The following examples illustrate the syntax and semantics of the Java Persistence query language. These examples are based on the example presented in Section 4.3.2.

#### 4.13.1 Simple Queries

Find all orders:

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
```

Find all orders that need to be shipped to California:

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.shippingAddress.state = 'CA'
Find all states for which there are orders:
SELECT DISTINCT o.shippingAddress.state
FROM Order o
```

## **4.13.2** Queries with Relationships

Find all orders that have line items:

```
SELECT DISTINCT o
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems 1
```

Note that the result of this query does not include orders with no associated line items. This query can also be written as:

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.lineItems IS NOT EMPTY
```

Find all orders that have no line items:

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.lineItems IS EMPTY
```

Find all pending orders:

```
SELECT DISTINCT o
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems 1
WHERE 1.shipped = FALSE
```

Find all orders in which the shipping address differs from the billing address. This example assumes that the application developer uses two distinct *entity* types to designate shipping and billing addresses.

If the application developer uses a single *entity* type in two different relationships for both the shipping address and the billing address, the above expression can be simplified based on the equality rules defined in Section 4.12. The query can then be written as:

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.shippingAddress <> o.billingAddress
```

The query checks whether the same entity abstract schema type instance (identified by its primary key) is related to an order through two distinct relationships.

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# 4.13.3 Queries Using Input Parameters

The following query finds the orders for a product whose name is designated by an input parameter:

```
SELECT DISTINCT o
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems 1
WHERE l.product.name = ?1
```

For this query, the input parameter must be of the type of the state field name, i.e., a string.

**BNF** 

BNF notation summary:

- { ... } grouping
- [...] optional constructs
- **boldface** keywords
- \* zero or more
- | alternates

The following is the BNF for the Java Persistence query language.

```
QL_statement ::= select_statement | update_statement | delete_statement
select statement ::= select clause from clause [where clause] [groupby clause]
        [having clause] [orderby clause]
update statement ::= update clause [where clause]
delete statement ::= delete clause [where clause]
from clause ::=
        FROM identification variable declaration
                {, {identification_variable_declaration | collection_member_declaration}}*
identification variable declaration ::= range variable declaration { join | fetch join }*
range variable declaration ::= entity_name [AS] identification_variable
join ::= join spec join association path expression [AS] identification variable
fetch join ::= join spec FETCH join association path expression
join_spec::= [ LEFT [OUTER] | INNER ] JOIN
join association path expression ::= join collection valued path expression |
        join single valued path expression
join collection valued path expression::=
 identification variable.{single valued embeddable object field.}*collection valued field
join single valued path expression::=
 identification_variable.{single_valued_embeddable_object_field.}*single_valued_object_field
collection member declaration ::=
        IN (collection valued path expression) [AS] identification variable
qualified_identification_variable ::=
        KEY(identification_variable) |
        VALUE(identification_variable) |
        ENTRY(identification_variable)
single valued path expression ::=
        qualified_identification_variable |
        state field path expression
        single valued object path expression
general_identification_variable ::=
        identification_variable |
        KEY(identification_variable) |
        VALUE(identification_variable)
```

```
state_field_path_expression ::=
        general_identification_variable.{single_valued_object_field.}*state_field
single valued object path expression ::=
    general identification variable. (single valued object field.)* single valued object field
collection valued path expression ::=
    general_identification_variable.{single_valued_object_field.}*collection_valued_field
update_clause ::= UPDATE entity_name [[AS] identification_variable]
                        SET update_item {, update_item}*
update item ::= [identification variable.]{state field | single valued object field} =
                        new value
new_value ::=
        scalar_expression |
        simple_entity_expression |
        NULL
delete_clause ::= DELETE FROM entity_name [[AS] identification_variable]
select_clause ::= SELECT [DISTINCT] select_item {, select_item}*
select_item ::= select_expression [[AS] result_variable]
select_expression ::=
        single_valued_path_expression |
        scalar expression |
        aggregate_expression |
        identification variable |
        OBJECT(identification_variable) |
        constructor_expression
constructor expression ::=
        NEW constructor_name ( constructor_item {, constructor_item}*)
constructor_item ::=
        single_valued_path_expression |
        scalar_expression |
        aggregate_expression |
        identification variable
aggregate expression ::=
        { AVG | MAX | MIN | SUM } ([DISTINCT] state field path expression) |
        COUNT ([DISTINCT] identification_variable | state_field_path_expression |
                single_valued_object_path_expression)
where clause ::= WHERE conditional expression
groupby clause ::= GROUP BY groupby item {, groupby item}*
groupby_item ::= single_valued_path_expression | identification_variable
having_clause ::= HAVING conditional_expression
orderby_clause ::= ORDER BY orderby_item {, orderby_item}*
orderby_item ::= state_field_path_expression | result_variable [ ASC | DESC ]
subquery ::= simple select clause subquery from clause [where clause]
                [groupby_clause] [having_clause]
subquery from clause ::=
        FROM subselect_identification_variable_declaration
                {, subselect_identification_variable_declaration |
                   collection_member_declaration}*
```

```
subselect_identification_variable_declaration ::=
        identification_variable_declaration |
        derived path expression [AS] identification variable {join}*|
        derived collection member declaration
derived path expression ::=
  superquery_identification_variable.{single_valued_object_field.}*collection_valued_field |
  superquery_identification_variable.{single_valued_object_field.}*single_valued_object_field
derived_collection_member_declaration ::=
  IN superquery identification variable. \( \) single valued object field. \( \) \( \)* collection valued field
simple_select_clause ::= SELECT [DISTINCT] simple_select_expression
simple select expression::=
        single_valued_path_expression |
        scalar expression |
        aggregate expression |
        identification variable
scalar_expression ::=
        simple_arithmetic_expression |
        string_primary |
        enum_primary |
        datetime primary |
        boolean_primary |
        case expression |
        entity_type_expression
conditional expression ::= conditional term | conditional expression OR conditional term
conditional term ::= conditional factor | conditional term AND conditional factor
conditional factor ::= [ NOT ] conditional primary
conditional_primary ::= simple_cond_expression | (conditional_expression)
simple_cond_expression ::=
        comparison_expression |
        between_expression |
        in expression |
        like_expression |
        null comparison expression
        empty_collection_comparison_expression |
        collection_member_expression |
        exists expression
between expression ::=
        arithmetic_expression [NOT] BETWEEN
                        arithmetic_expression AND arithmetic_expression |
        string_expression [NOT] BETWEEN string_expression AND string_expression |
        datetime_expression [NOT] BETWEEN
                datetime expression AND datetime expression
in expression ::=
        {state_field_path_expression | type_discriminator} [NOT] IN
                { (in_item {, in_item}*) | (subquery) | collection_valued_input_parameter }
in_item ::= literal | single_valued_input_parameter
like expression ::=
        string_expression [NOT] LIKE pattern_value [ESCAPE escape_character]
null comparison expression ::=
        {single_valued_path_expression | input_parameter} IS [NOT] NULL
```

```
empty_collection_comparison_expression ::=
        collection_valued_path_expression IS [NOT] EMPTY
collection member expression ::= entity or value expression
                [NOT] MEMBER [OF] collection valued path expression
entity_or_value_expression ::=
        single_valued_object_path_expression |
        state_field_path_expression |
        simple_entity_or_value_expression
simple entity or value expression ::=
        identification variable |
        input parameter |
        literal
exists_expression::= [NOT] EXISTS (subquery)
all_or_any_expression ::= { ALL | ANY | SOME} (subquery)
comparison expression ::=
        string_expression comparison_operator {string_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
        boolean_expression { = |<>} {boolean_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
        enum_expression { = |<>} {enum_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
        datetime_expression comparison_operator
                {datetime expression | all or any expression} |
        entity_expression { = | <>} {entity_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
        arithmetic expression comparison operator
                {arithmetic_expression | all_or_any_expression} |
        entity_type_expression { =|<>} entity_type_expression}
comparison operator ::= = | > | >= | < | <= | <>
arithmetic expression ::= simple arithmetic expression | (subquery)
simple arithmetic expression ::=
        arithmetic_term | simple_arithmetic_expression { + | - } arithmetic_term
arithmetic_term ::= arithmetic_factor | arithmetic_term { * | I } arithmetic_factor
arithmetic_factor ::= [{ + | - }] arithmetic_primary
arithmetic primary ::=
        state_field_path_expression |
        numeric literal
        (simple_arithmetic_expression) |
        input_parameter |
        functions returning numerics |
        aggregate expression |
        case_expression
string_expression ::= string_primary | (subquery)
string_primary ::=
        state_field_path_expression |
        string literal
        input_parameter |
        functions returning strings |
        aggregate_expression |
        case expression
datetime_expression ::= datetime_primary | (subquery)
```

```
datetime_primary ::=
        state_field_path_expression |
       input parameter |
        functions returning datetime
        aggregate_expression |
        case expression |
        date_time_timestamp_literal
boolean_expression ::= boolean_primary | (subquery)
boolean primary ::=
        state_field_path_expression |
        boolean literal
       input_parameter |
        case_expression
enum_expression ::= enum_primary | (subquery)
enum primary ::=
        state_field_path_expression |
        enum_literal |
        input_parameter |
        case_expression
entity expression ::=
       single_valued_object_path_expression | simple_entity_expression
simple entity expression ::=
        identification_variable |
        input_parameter
entity_type_expression ::=
        type discriminator
        entity_type_literal |
        input_parameter
type_discriminator ::=
        TYPE(identification_variable |
               single_valued_object_path_expression |
               input_parameter)
functions_returning_numerics::=
        LENGTH(string_primary) |
        LOCATE(string_primary, string_primary[, simple_arithmetic_expression]) |
        ABS(simple_arithmetic_expression) |
        SQRT(simple arithmetic expression) |
        MOD(simple_arithmetic_expression, simple_arithmetic_expression) |
        SIZE(collection valued path expression)
        INDEX(identification_variable)
functions_returning_datetime ::=
        CURRENT DATE |
        CURRENT TIME
        CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
```

```
functions_returning_strings ::=
       CONCAT(string_primary, string_primary {, string_primary}*) |
       SUBSTRING(string_primary,
                       simple arithmetic expression [, simple arithmetic expression]) |
       TRIM([[trim_specification] [trim_character] FROM] string_primary) |
       LOWER(string_primary) |
       UPPER(string_primary)
trim_specification ::= LEADING | TRAILING | BOTH
case expression ::=
       general_case_expression |
       simple case expression |
       coalesce_expression |
       nullif_expression
general case expression::=
       CASE when_clause {when_clause}* ELSE scalar_expression END
when_clause::= WHEN conditional_expression THEN scalar_expression
simple_case_expression::=
       CASE case_operand simple_when_clause {simple_when_clause}*
       ELSE scalar_expression
       END
case_operand::= state_field_path_expression | type_discriminator
simple_when_clause::= WHEN scalar_expression THEN scalar_expression
coalesce_expression::= COALESCE(scalar_expression {, scalar_expression}+)
nullif_expression::= NULLIF(scalar_expression, scalar_expression)
```

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Metamodel API

# Chapter 5 Metamodel API

This specification provides a set of interfaces for dynamically accessing the metamodel corresponding to the managed classes of a persistence unit.

# 5.1 Metamodel API Interfaces

The javax.persistence.metamodel interfaces provide for dynamically accessing the metamodel of the persistent state and relationships of the managed classes of a persistence unit.

The metamodel can be accessed through the  ${\tt EntityManagerFactory}$  or  ${\tt EntityManager}$  getMetamodel methods.

The metamodel API may be extended to cover object/relational mapping information in a future release of this specification.

## **5.1.1** Metamodel Interface

Metamodel API

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;
import java.util.Set;
 * Provides access to the metamodel of persistent
 * entities in the persistence unit.
public interface Metamodel {
     * Return the metamodel entity type representing the entity.
       @param cls the type of the represented entity
       @return the metamodel entity type
       @throws IllegalArgumentException if not an entity
     * /
    <X> EntityType<X> entity(Class<X> cls);
    /**
     * Return the metamodel managed type representing the
       entity, mapped superclass, or embeddable class.
        @param cls the type of the represented managed class
       @return the metamodel managed type
       @throws IllegalArgumentException if not a managed class
     * /
    <X> ManagedType<X> managedType(Class<X> cls);
     * Return the metamodel embeddable type representing the
       embeddable class.
        @param cls the type of the represented embeddable class
       @return the metamodel embeddable type
       @throws IllegalArgumentException if not an embeddable class
     * /
    <X> EmbeddableType<X> embeddable(Class<X> cls);
    /**
     * Return the metamodel managed types.
     *
       @return the metamodel managed types
     * /
    Set<ManagedType<?>> getManagedTypes();
    /**
     * Return the metamodel entity types.
     * @return the metamodel entity types
    Set<EntityType<?>> getEntities();
    /**
     * Return the metamodel embeddable types. Returns empty set
     * if there are no embeddable types.
     {}^{\star} @return the metamodel embeddable types
     * /
    Set<EmbeddableType<?>> getEmbeddables();
}
```

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# **5.1.2** Type Interface

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;

/**
 * Instances of the type Type represent persistent object
 * or attribute types.
 *
 * @param <X> The type of the represented object or attribute
 */
public interface Type<X> {
      public static enum PersistenceType {
            ENTITY, EMBEDDABLE, MAPPED_SUPERCLASS, BASIC
      }

      /**
      * Return the persistence type.
      * @return persistence type
      */
      PersistenceType getPersistenceType();

      /**
      * Return the represented Java type.
      * @return Java type
      */
      Class<X> getJavaType();
}
```

## 5.1.3 ManagedType Interface

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;
import java.util.Set;
    Instances of the type ManagedType represent entity, mapped
   superclass, and embeddable types.
 * @param <X> The represented type.
 * /
public interface ManagedType<X> extends Type<X> {
     * Return the attributes of the managed type.
       @return attributes of the managed type
     * /
     Set<Attribute<? super X, ?>> getAttributes();
    /**
     * Return the attributes declared by the managed type.
        Returns empty set if the managed type has no declared
        attributes.
        @return declared attributes of the managed type
     * /
     Set<Attribute<X, ?>> getDeclaredAttributes();
    / * *
     * Return the single-valued attribute of the managed
        type that corresponds to the specified name and Java type.
        @param name the name of the represented attribute @param type the type of the represented attribute
        @return single-valued attribute with given name and type
        @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
                name and type is not present in the managed type
     * /
    <Y> SingularAttribute<? super X, Y> getSingularAttribute(
              String name, Class<Y> type);
     *
       Return the single-valued attribute declared by the
        managed type that corresponds to the specified name and
        Java type.
        @param name the name of the represented attribute
        @param type the type of the represented attribute
        @return declared single-valued attribute of the given
                name and type
     *
        @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
                name and type is not declared in the managed type
     * /
    <Y> SingularAttribute<X, Y> getDeclaredSingularAttribute(
              String name, Class<Y> type);
```

```
Return the single-valued attributes of the managed type.
   Returns empty set if the managed type has no single-valued
   attributes.
   @return single-valued attributes
 * /
Set<SingularAttribute<? super X, ?>> getSingularAttributes();
  Return the single-valued attributes declared by the managed
   Returns empty set if the managed type has no declared
   single-valued attributes.
   @return declared single-valued attributes
 * /
Set<SingularAttribute<X, ?>> getDeclaredSingularAttributes();
   Return the Collection-valued attribute of the managed type
   that corresponds to the specified name and Java element type.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
    @param elementType the element type of the represented
                        attribute
   @return CollectionAttribute of the given name and element
            type
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
 *
           name and type is not present in the managed type
 * /
<E> CollectionAttribute<? super X, E> getCollection(
         String name, Class<E> elementType);
/**
   Return the Collection-valued attribute declared by the
   managed type that corresponds to the specified name and Java
    element type.
    @param name the name of the represented attribute
    @param elementType the element type of the represented
                        attribute
    @return declared CollectionAttribute of the given name and
            element type
 *
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name and type is not declared in the managed type
 * /
<E> CollectionAttribute<X, E> getDeclaredCollection(
         String name, Class<E> elementType);
/ * *
   Return the Set-valued attribute of the managed type that
   corresponds to the specified name and Java element type.
    @param name the name of the represented attribute
    @param elementType the element type of the represented
                        attribute
    @return SetAttribute of the given name and element type
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name and type is not present in the managed type
 * /
<E> SetAttribute<? super X, E> getSet(String name,
                                      Class<E> elementType);
```

```
Return the Set-valued attribute declared by the managed type
   that corresponds to the specified name and Java element type.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @param elementType the element type of the represented
                        attribute
   @return declared SetAttribute of the given name and
*
            element type
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name and type is not declared in the managed type
<E> SetAttribute<X, E> getDeclaredSet(String name,
                                      Class<E> elementType);
/ * *
   Return the List-valued attribute of the managed type that
   corresponds to the specified name and Java element type.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @param elementType the element type of the represented
                        attribute
   @return ListAttribute of the given name and element type
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name and type is not present in the managed type
<E> ListAttribute<? super X, E> getList(String name,
                                        Class<E> elementType);
/**
   Return the List-valued attribute declared by the managed
   type that corresponds to the specified name and Java
   element type.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @param elementType the element type of the represented
                        attribute
   @return declared ListAttribute of the given name and
            element type
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name and type is not declared in the managed type
<E> ListAttribute<X, E> getDeclaredList(String name,
                                        Class<E> elementType);
/**
   Return the Map-valued attribute of the managed type that
   corresponds to the specified name and Java key and value
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @param keyType the key type of the represented attribute
   @param valueType the value type of the represented attribute
   @return MapAttribute of the given name and key and value
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name and type is not present in the managed type
<K, V> MapAttribute<? super X, K, V> getMap(String name,
                                            Class<K> keyType,
                                            Class<V> valueType);
```

```
Return the Map-valued attribute declared by the managed
       type that corresponds to the specified name and Java key
       and value types.
       @param name the name of the represented attribute
       @param keyType the key type of the represented attribute
       @param valueType the value type of the represented attribute
       @return declared MapAttribute of the given name and key
                and value types
       @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
               name and type is not declared in the managed type
    * /
    <K, V> MapAttribute<X, K, V> getDeclaredMap(String name,
                                                Class<K> keyType,
                                                Class<V> valueType);
    / * *
       Return all multi-valued attributes (Collection-, Set-,
       List-, and Map-valued attributes) of the managed type.
      Returns empty set if the managed type has no multi-valued
       attributes.
     *
       @return Collection-, Set-, List-, and Map-valued attributes
     * /
   Set<PluralAttribute<? super X, ?, ?>> getPluralAttributes();
    *
       Return all multi-valued attributes (Collection-, Set-,
       List-, and Map-valued attributes) declared by the
       managed type.
       Returns empty set if the managed type has no declared
       multi-valued attributes.
       @return declared Collection-, Set-, List-, and Map-valued
               attributes
     * /
   Set<PluralAttribute<X, ?, ?>> getDeclaredPluralAttributes();
//String-based:
       Return the attribute of the managed
       type that corresponds to the specified name.
       @param name the name of the represented attribute
       @return attribute with given name
       @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
               name is not present in the managed type
   Attribute<? super X, ?> getAttribute(String name);
    /**
     * Return the attribute declared by the managed
       type that corresponds to the specified name.
       @param name the name of the represented attribute
       @return attribute with given name
     *
       @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
               name is not declared in the managed type
   Attribute<X, ?> getDeclaredAttribute(String name);
```

```
Return the single-valued attribute of the managed type that
   corresponds to the specified name.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @return single-valued attribute with the given name
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name is not present in the managed type
 * /
SingularAttribute<? super X, ?> getSingularAttribute(
         String name);
/**
   Return the single-valued attribute declared by the managed
    type that corresponds to the specified name.
    @param name the name of the represented attribute
    @return declared single-valued attribute of the given
 *
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name is not declared in the managed type
 * /
SingularAttribute<X, ?> getDeclaredSingularAttribute(
         String name);
/**
 * Return the Collection-valued attribute of the managed type
   that corresponds to the specified name.
    @param name the name of the represented attribute
    @return CollectionAttribute of the given name
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name is not present in the managed type
 * /
CollectionAttribute<? super X, ?> getCollection(String name);
 *
   Return the Collection-valued attribute declared by the
    managed type that corresponds to the specified name.
    @param name the name of the represented attribute
    @return declared CollectionAttribute of the given name
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name is not declared in the managed type
 * /
CollectionAttribute<X, ?> getDeclaredCollection(String name);
   Return the Set-valued attribute of the managed type that
    corresponds to the specified name.
    @param name the name of the represented attribute
    @return SetAttribute of the given name
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name is not present in the managed type
SetAttribute<? super X, ?> getSet(String name);
```

```
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```

```
Return the Set-valued attribute declared by the managed type
   that corresponds to the specified name.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @return declared SetAttribute of the given name
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name is not declared in the managed type
 * /
SetAttribute<X, ?> getDeclaredSet(String name);
   Return the List-valued attribute of the managed type that
   corresponds to the specified name.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @return ListAttribute of the given name
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name is not present in the managed type
 * /
ListAttribute<? super X, ?> getList(String name);
 * Return the List-valued attribute declared by the managed
   type that corresponds to the specified name.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @return declared ListAttribute of the given name
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name is not declared in the managed type
ListAttribute<X, ?> getDeclaredList(String name);
/**
 * Return the Map-valued attribute of the managed type that
   corresponds to the specified name.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @return MapAttribute of the given name
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name is not present in the managed type
 * /
MapAttribute<? super X, ?, ?> getMap(String name);
/ * *
 * Return the Map-valued attribute declared by the managed
   type that corresponds to the specified name.
   @param name the name of the represented attribute
   @return declared MapAttribute of the given name
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name is not declared in the managed type
MapAttribute<X, ?, ?> getDeclaredMap(String name);
```

## **5.1.4 IdentifiableType Interface**

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```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;
import java.util.Set;
    Instances of the type IdentifiableType represent entity or
    mapped superclass types.
    @param <X> The represented entity or mapped superclass type.
public interface IdentifiableType<X> extends ManagedType<X> {
    /**
      Return the attribute that corresponds to the id attribute of
     * the entity or mapped superclass.
     * @param type the type of the represented id attribute
       @return id attribute
       @throws IllegalArgumentException if id attribute of the given
                type is not present in the identifiable type or if
                the identifiable type has an id class
    <Y> SingularAttribute<? super X, Y> getId(Class<Y> type);
    /**
       Return the attribute that corresponds to the id attribute
        declared by the entity or mapped superclass.
        @param type the type of the represented declared
                     id attribute
        @return declared id attribute
        @throws IllegalArgumentException if id attribute of the given
                type is not declared in the identifiable type or if
                the identifiable type has an id class
     * /
    <Y> SingularAttribute<X, Y> getDeclaredId(Class<Y> type);
    /**
     * Return the attribute that corresponds to the version
       attribute of the entity or mapped superclass.
        @param type the type of the represented version attribute
        @return version attribute
        @throws IllegalArgumentException if version attribute of the
                given type is not present in the identifiable type
     * /
    <Y> SingularAttribute<? super X, Y> getVersion(Class<Y> type);
    /**
       Return the attribute that corresponds to the version
        attribute declared by the entity or mapped superclass.
        @param type the type of the represented declared version
                     attribute
        @return declared version attribute
        @throws IllegalArgumentException if version attribute of the
                type is not declared in the identifiable type
     * /
    <Y> SingularAttribute<X, Y> getDeclaredVersion(Class<Y> type);
```

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```
Return the identifiable type that corresponds to the most
   specific mapped superclass or entity extended by the entity
   or mapped superclass.
   @return supertype of identifiable type or null if no
           such supertype
 * /
IdentifiableType<? super X> getSupertype();
   Whether the identifiable type has a single id attribute.
   Returns true for a simple id or embedded id; returns false
   for an idclass.
   @return boolean indicating whether the identifiable
            type has a single id attribute
 * /
boolean hasSingleIdAttribute();
   Whether the identifiable type has a version attribute.
   @return boolean indicating whether the identifiable
 *
            type has a version attribute
 * /
boolean hasVersionAttribute();
/ * *
 *
    Return the attributes corresponding to the id class of the
     identifiable type.
     @return id attributes
     @throws IllegalArgumentException if the identifiable type
             does not have an id class
 * /
Set<SingularAttribute<? super X, ?>> getIdClassAttributes();
   Return the type that represents the type of the id.
   @return type of id
Type<?> getIdType();
```

# **5.1.5** EntityType Interface

# **<u>5.1.6</u>** EmbeddableType Interface

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;

/**
    * Instances of the type EmbeddableType represent embeddable types.
    * @param <X> The represented type.
    */
public interface EmbeddableType<X> extends ManagedType<X> {}
```

## 5.1.7 MappedSuperclassType Interface

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# 5.1.9 Bindable Interface

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;
 * Instances of the type Bindable represent object or attribute types
 * that can be bound into a Path.
 * @param <T> The type of the represented object or attribute
 * /
public interface Bindable<T> {
    public static enum BindableType {
         SINGULAR_ATTRIBUTE, PLURAL_ATTRIBUTE, ENTITY_TYPE
     * Return the bindable type of the represented object.
        @return bindable type
     * /
    BindableType getBindableType();
    /**
     * Return the Java type of the represented object.
     * If the bindable type of the object is PLURAL_ATTRIBUTE,
     * the Java element type is returned. If the bindable type is 
* SINGULAR_ATTRIBUTE or ENTITY_TYPE, the Java type of the
     * represented entity or attribute is returned.
     * @return Java type
     * /
    Class<T> getBindableJavaType();
```

#### 5.1.10 Attribute Interface

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;
/**
* Represents an attribute of a Java type.
 * @param <X> The represented type that contains the attribute
 * @param <Y> The type of the represented attribute
public interface Attribute<X, Y> {
    public static enum PersistentAttributeType {
        MANY_TO_ONE, ONE_TO_ONE, BASIC, EMBEDDED,
        MANY_TO_MANY, ONE_TO_MANY, ELEMENT_COLLECTION
    /**
     * Return the name of the attribute.
     * @return name
     * /
    String getName();
    /**
     ^{\star} Return the persistent attribute type for the attribute.
     * @return persistent attribute type
     * /
    PersistentAttributeType getPersistentAttributeType();
     * Return the managed type representing the type in which
       the attribute was declared.
       @return declaring type
     * /
    ManagedType<X> getDeclaringType();
     * Return the Java type of the represented attribute.
     * @return Java type
    Class<Y> getJavaType();
    /**
     * Return the java.lang.reflect.Member for the represented
     * attribute.
       @return corresponding java.lang.reflect.Member
    java.lang.reflect.Member getJavaMember();
     *
       Is the attribute an association.
        @return boolean indicating whether the attribute corresponds
                to an association
     * /
    boolean isAssociation();
```

```
/**
  * Is the attribute collection-valued (represents a Collection,
  * Set, List, or Map).
  * @return boolean indicating whether the attribute is
  * collection-valued
  */
  boolean isCollection();
}
```

#### 5.1.11 Singular Attribute Interface

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;
 * Instances of the type SingularAttribute represents persistent
 * single-valued properties or fields.
 * @param <X> The type containing the represented attribute
 * @param <T> The type of the represented attribute
 * /
public interface SingularAttribute<X, T>
         extends Attribute<X, T>, Bindable<T> {
    /**
        Is the attribute an id attribute. This method will return
       true if the attribute is an attribute that corresponds to
     * a simple id, an embedded id, or an attribute of an id class.
     * @return boolean indicating whether the attribute is an id
     * /
    boolean isId();
     * Is the attribute a version attribute.
        @return boolean indicating whether the attribute is
                a version attribute
     * /
    boolean isVersion();
    /**
       Can the attribute be null.
        @return boolean indicating whether the attribute can be null
     * /
    boolean isOptional();
     ^{\star} Return the type that represents the type of the attribute.
     * @return type of attribute
    Type<T> getType();
```

#### **5.1.12** PluralAttribute Interface

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;
/**
^{\star} Instances of the type PluralAttribute represent
 * persistent collection-valued attributes.
 * @param <X> The type the represented collection belongs to
 ^{\star} @param <C> The type of the represented collection
 * @param <E> The element type of the represented collection
public interface PluralAttribute<X, C, E>
         extends Attribute<X, C>, Bindable<E> {
    public static enum CollectionType {
         COLLECTION, SET, LIST, MAP
    /**
     * Return the collection type.
     * @return collection type
    CollectionType getCollectionType();
    /**
     * Return the type representing the element type of the
     * collection.
     * @return element type
    Type<E> getElementType();
```

#### 5.1.13 CollectionAttribute Interface

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#### 5.1.15 ListAttribute Interface

## 5.1.16 MapAttribute Interface

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;
/**
 * Instances of the type MapAttribute represent persistent
 * java.util.Map-valued attributes.
 * @param <X> The type the represented Map belongs to
 * @param <K> The type of the key of the represented Map
 * @param <V> The type of the value of the represented Map
public interface MapAttribute<X, K, V>
    extends PluralAttribute<X, java.util.Map<K, V>, V> {
     * Return the Java type of the map key.
     * @return Java key type
     * /
    Class<K> getKeyJavaType();
    /**
     * Return the type representing the key type of the map.
     * @return type representing key type
    Type<K> getKeyType();
}
```

### 5.1.17 StaticMetamodel Annotation

```
package javax.persistence.metamodel;
import java.lang.annotation.ElementType;
import java.lang.annotation.Retention;
import java.lang.annotation.RetentionPolicy;
import java.lang.annotation.Target;

/**
    * The StaticMetamodel annotation specifies that the class
    * is a metamodel class that represents the entity, mapped
    * superclass, or embeddable class designated by the value
    * element.
    */
@Target(ElementType.TYPE)
@Retention(RetentionPolicy.RUNTIME)
public @interface StaticMetamodel {
        /**
         * Class being modeled by the annotated class.
         */
         Class<?> value();
}
```

# Chapter 6 Criteria API

The Java Persistence Criteria API is used to define queries through the construction of object-based query definition objects, rather than use of the string-based approach of the Java Persistence query language described in Chapter 4.

This chapter provides the full definition of the Criteria API.

#### 6.1 Overview

The Java Persistence Criteria API, like the Java Persistence query language is based on the abstract persistence schema of entities, their embedded objects, and their relationships as its data model. This abstract persistence schema is materialized in the form of metamodel objects over which the Criteria API operates. The semantics of criteria queries are designed to reflect those of Java Persistence query language queries.

The syntax of the Criteria API is designed to allow the construction of an object-based query "graph", whose nodes correspond to the semantic query elements.

Java language variables can be used to reference individual nodes in a criteria query object as it is constructed and/or modified. Such variables, when used to refer to the entities and embeddable types that constitute the query domain, play a role analogous to that of the identification variables of the Java Persistence query language.

These concepts are further described in the sections that follow. The metamodel on which criteria queries are based is presented in Chapter 5. The static metamodel classes that can be used in constructing strongly-typed criteria queries are described in section 6.2. The <code>javax.persistence.criteria</code> interfaces are presented in Section 6.3. Sections 6.4 through 6.8 describe the construction and modification of criteria query objects. Additional requirements on the persistence provider are described in section 6.9.

## 6.2 Metamodel

Java Persistence criteria queries are based on a metamodel of the managed classes of the persistence unit. Static metamodel classes corresponding to the managed classes of the persistence unit can be generated by means of an annotation processor or can be created by the application developer, or the metamodel can be accessed dynamically by use of the javax.persistence.metamodel.Metamodel interface. The getMetamodel method of the EntityManagerFactory or EntityManager interface can be used to obtain a Metamodel instance.

#### **6.2.1 Static Metamodel Classes**

In the typical case, an annotation processor is expected to be used to produce static metamodel classes corresponding to the entities, mapped superclasses, and embeddable classes in the persistence unit. A static metamodel class models the persistent state and relationships of the corresponding managed class. For portability, an annotation processor should generate a canonical metamodel as defined below.

#### 6.2.1.1 Canonical Metamodel

This specification defines as follows a canonical metamodel and the structure of canonical metamodel classes.

For every managed class in the persistence unit, a corresponding metamodel class is produced as follows:

- For each managed class X in package p, a metamodel class X\_ in package p is created. [67]
- The name of the metamodel class is derived from the name of the managed class by appending "\_" to the name of the managed class.
- The metamodel class X must be annotated with the javax.persistence.Static-Metamodel annotation [68].

<sup>[67]</sup> We expect that the option of different packages will be provided in a future release of this specification.

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- If class X extends another class S, where S is the most derived managed class (i.e., entity or mapped superclass) extended by X, then class X\_ must extend class S\_, where S\_ is the metamodel class created for S.
- For every persistent non-collection-valued attribute y declared by class X, where the type of y is Y, the metamodel class must contain a declaration as follows:

```
public static volatile SingularAttribute<X, Y> y;
```

- For every persistent collection-valued attribute z declared by class X, where the element type of z is Z, the metamodel class must contain a declaration as follows:
  - if the collection type of z is java.util.Collection, then public static volatile CollectionAttribute<X, Z> z;
  - if the collection type of z is java.util.Set, then
     public static volatile SetAttribute<X, Z> z;
  - if the collection type of z is java.util.List, then public static volatile ListAttribute<X, Z> z;
  - if the collection type of z is java.util.Map, then

    public static volatile MapAttribute<X, K, Z> z;

    where K is the type of the key of the map in class X

Import statements must be included for the needed javax.persistence.metamodel types as appropriate (e.g., javax.persistence.metamodel.SingularAttribute, javax.persistence.metamodel.CollectionAttribute, javax.persistence.metamodel.SetAttribute, javax.persistence.metamodel.ListAttribute, javax.persistence.metamodel.MapAttribute) and all classes X, Y, Z, and K.

Implementations of this specification are not required to support the use of non-canonical metamodel classes. Applications that use non-canonical metamodel classes will not be portable.

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<sup>[68]</sup> If the class was generated, the javax.annotation.Generated annotation should be used to annotate the class. The use of any other annotations on static metamodel classes is undefined.

#### **6.2.1.2** Example

```
Assume the Order entity below.
```

```
package com.example;
import java.util.Set;
import java.math.BigDecimal;
@Entity public class Order {
    @Id Integer orderId;
    @ManyToOne Customer customer;
    @OneToMany Set<Item> lineItems;
    Address shippingAddress;
    BigDecimal totalCost;
}
The corresponding canonical metamodel class, Order_, is as follows:
package com.example;
import java.math.BigDecimal;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.SingularAttribute;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.SetAttribute;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.StaticMetamodel;
@StaticMetamodel(Order.class)
public class Order_ {
    public static volatile SingularAttribute<Order, Integer> orderId;
    public static volatile SingularAttribute<Order, Customer> cus-
    public static volatile SetAttribute<Order, Item> lineItems;
    public static volatile SingularAttribute<Order, Address>
shippingAddress;
    public static volatile SingularAttribute<Order, BigDecimal>
totalCost;
```

## 6.2.2 Bootstrapping

When the entity manager factory for a persistence unit is created, it is the responsibility of the persistence provider to initialize the state of the metamodel classes of the persistence unit. Any generated metamodel classes must be accessible on the classpath.

Persistence providers must support the use of canonical metamodel classes. Persistence providers may, but are not required to, support the use of non-canonical metamodel classes.

#### **6.3.1** CriteriaBuilder Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.math.BigDecimal;
import java.math.BigInteger;
import java.util.Collection;
import java.util.Map;
import java.util.Set;
import javax.persistence.Tuple;
 * Used to construct criteria queries, compound selections,
 * expressions, predicates, orderings.
 * Note that Predicate is used instead of Expression<Boolean>
 * in this API in order to work around the fact that Java
 * generics are not compatible with varags.
public interface CriteriaBuilder {
    /**
        Create a CriteriaQuery object.
       @return criteria query object
    CriteriaQuery<Object> createQuery();
    /**
       Create a CriteriaQuery object with the specified result
        @param resultClass type of the query result
        @return criteria query object
     * /
    <T> CriteriaQuery<T> createQuery(Class<T> resultClass);
    / * *
        Create a CriteriaQuery object that returns a tuple of
        objects as its result.
       @return criteria query object
    CriteriaQuery<Tuple> createTupleQuery();
    // selection construction methods:
     * Create a selection item corresponding to a constructor.
     ^{\star} This method is used to specify a constructor that will be
     * applied to the results of the query execution. If the
     * constructor is for an entity class, the resulting entities
     * will be in the new state after the query is executed.
     * @param resultClass class whose instance is to be constructed
     * @param selections arguments to the constructor
     * @return compound selection item
     * @throws IllegalArgumentException if an argument is a
```

```
tuple- or array-valued selection item
 * /
<Y> CompoundSelection<Y> construct(Class<Y> resultClass,
                                    Selection<?>... selections);
/**
 * Create a tuple-valued selection item.
 * @param selections selection items
 * @return tuple-valued compound selection
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if an argument is a
           tuple- or array-valued selection item
 * /
CompoundSelection<Tuple> tuple(Selection<?>... selections);
 * Create an array-valued selection item.
 * @param selections selection items
 * @return array-valued compound selection
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if an argument is a
           tuple- or array-valued selection item
 * /
CompoundSelection<Object[]> array(Selection<?>... selections);
//ordering:
/**
 * Create an ordering by the ascending value of the expression.
 * @param x expression used to define the ordering
 \ensuremath{^{\star}} @return ascending ordering corresponding to the expression
Order asc(Expression<?> x);
 {}^{\star} Create an ordering by the descending value of the expression.
 * @param x expression used to define the ordering
 * @return descending ordering corresponding to the expression
Order desc(Expression<?> x);
//aggregate functions:
 * Create an aggregate expression applying the avg operation.
 * @param x expression representing input value to avg operation
 * @return avg expression
<N extends Number> Expression<Double> avg(Expression<N> x);
/**
 * Create an aggregate expression applying the sum operation.
 * @param \boldsymbol{x} expression representing input value to sum operation
 * @return sum expression
<N extends Number> Expression<N> sum(Expression<N> x);
```

```
^{\star} Create an aggregate expression applying the sum operation to
 * an Integer-valued expression, returning a Long result.
 * @param x expression representing input value to sum operation
 * @return sum expression
 * /
Expression<Long> sumAsLong(Expression<Integer> x);
\mbox{\ensuremath{^{\star}}} Create an aggregate expression applying the sum operation to a
 * Float-valued expression, returning a Double result.
 * @param x expression representing input value to sum operation
 * @return sum expression
* /
Expression<Double> sumAsDouble(Expression<Float> x);
* Create an aggregate expression applying the numerical max
 * operation.
 * @param \mathbf{x} expression representing input value to max operation
 * @return max expression
 * /
<N extends Number> Expression<N> max(Expression<N> x);
/**
* Create an aggregate expression applying the numerical min
 * operation.
 * @param x expression representing input value to min operation
 * @return min expression
<N extends Number> Expression<N> min(Expression<N> x);
/**
 * Create an aggregate expression for finding the greatest of
 * the values (strings, dates, etc).
 * @param x expression representing input value to greatest
             operation
 * @return greatest expression
 * /
<X extends Comparable<? super X>> Expression<X> greatest(
         Expression<X> x);
/**
 {}^{\star} Create an aggregate expression for finding the least of
 * the values (strings, dates, etc).
 * @param x expression representing input value to least
             operation
 * @return least expression
 * /
<X extends Comparable<? super X>> Expression<X> least(
         Expression<X> x);
/**
 * Create an aggregate expression applying the count operation.
 * @param x expression representing input value to count
             operation
 * @return count expression
Expression<Long> count(Expression<?> x);
```

```
/**
 * Create an aggregate expression applying the count distinct
 * operation.
 ^{\star} @param \mathbf{x} expression representing input value to
             count distinct operation
 * @return count distinct expression
 * /
Expression<Long> countDistinct(Expression<?> x);
//subqueries:
/**
 * Create a predicate testing the existence of a subquery result.
 * @param subquery subquery whose result is to be tested
 * @return exists predicate
Predicate exists(Subquery<?> subquery);
 * Create an all expression over the subquery results.
 * @param subquery
 * @return all expression
<Y> Expression<Y> all(Subquery<Y> subquery);
/**
 \mbox{\scriptsize \star} Create a some expression over the subquery results.
 * This expression is equivalent to an any expression.
 * @param subquery
 * @return some expression
 * /
<Y> Expression<Y> some(Subquery<Y> subquery);
 * Create an any expression over the subquery results.
 * This expression is equivalent to a some expression.
 * @param subquery
 * @return any expression
 * /
<Y> Expression<Y> any(Subquery<Y> subquery);
//boolean functions:
/**
 {}^{\star} Create a conjunction of the given boolean expressions.
 * @param x boolean expression
 * @param y boolean expression
 * @return and predicate
 * /
Predicate and(Expression<Boolean> x, Expression<Boolean> y);
```

```
* Create a conjunction of the given restriction predicates.
 * A conjunction of zero predicates is true.
 * @param restrictions zero or more restriction predicates
 * @return and predicate
 * /
Predicate and(Predicate... restrictions);
{}^{\star} Create a disjunction of the given boolean expressions.
 * @param x boolean expression
 * @param y boolean expression
 * @return or predicate
* /
Predicate or(Expression<Boolean> x, Expression<Boolean> y);
* Create a disjunction of the given restriction predicates.
 * A disjunction of zero predicates is false.
 * @param restrictions zero or more restriction predicates
 * @return or predicate
 * /
Predicate or(Predicate... restrictions);
 * Create a negation of the given restriction.
 * @param restriction restriction expression
 * @return not predicate
* /
Predicate not(Expression<Boolean> restriction);
/**
 * Create a conjunction (with zero conjuncts).
 ^{\star} A conjunction with zero conjuncts is true.
 * @return and predicate
Predicate conjunction();
 * Create a disjunction (with zero disjuncts).
 * A disjunction with zero disjuncts is false.
 * @return or predicate
 * /
Predicate disjunction();
//turn Expression<Boolean> into a Predicate
//useful for use with varargs methods
/**
 * Create a predicate testing for a true value.
 * @param x expression to be tested
 * @return predicate
Predicate isTrue(Expression<Boolean> x);
```

```
* Create a predicate testing for a false value.
 * @param x expression to be tested
 * @return predicate
Predicate isFalse(Expression<Boolean> x);
//null tests:
 * Create a predicate to test whether the expression is null.
 * @param x expression
 * @return is-null predicate
Predicate isNull(Expression<?> x);
 * Create a predicate to test whether the expression is not null.
 * @param x expression
 * @return is-not-null predicate
 * /
Predicate isNotNull(Expression<?> x);
//equality:
/**
 \mbox{\scriptsize \star} Create a predicate for testing the arguments for equality.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return equality predicate
 * /
Predicate equal(Expression<?> x, Expression<?> y);
 * Create a predicate for testing the arguments for equality.
 * @param x expression
* @param y object
 * @return equality predicate
 * /
Predicate equal(Expression<?> x, Object y);
 * Create a predicate for testing the arguments for inequality.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return inequality predicate
Predicate notEqual(Expression<?> x, Expression<?> y);
/**
 {}^{\star} Create a predicate for testing the arguments for inequality.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y object
 * @return inequality predicate
Predicate notEqual(Expression<?> x, Object y);
```

```
//comparisons for generic (non-numeric) operands:
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * greater than the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return greater-than predicate
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate greaterThan(
         Expression<? extends Y> x, Expression<? extends Y> y);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * greater than the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return greater-than predicate
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate greaterThan(
         Expression<? extends Y> x, Y y);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * greater than or equal to the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return greater-than-or-equal predicate
 * /
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate greaterThanOrEqualTo(
         Expression<? extends Y> x, Expression<? extends Y> y);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * greater than or equal to the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return greater-than-or-equal predicate
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate greaterThanOrEqualTo(
         Expression<? extends Y> x, Y y);
/**
 ^{\star} Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * less than the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return less-than predicate
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate lessThan(
         Expression<? extends Y> x, Expression<? extends Y> y);
```

```
* Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
* less than the second.
* @param x expression
* @param y value
* @return less-than predicate
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate lessThan(
         Expression<? extends Y> x, Y y);
/**
* Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
* less than or equal to the second.
* @param x expression
* @param y expression
* @return less-than-or-equal predicate
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate lessThanOrEqualTo(
         Expression<? extends Y> x, Expression<? extends Y> y);
* Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
* less than or equal to the second.
* @param x expression
* @param y value
* @return less-than-or-equal predicate
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate lessThanOrEqualTo(
         Expression<? extends Y> x, Y y);
/**
* Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
* between the second and third arguments in value.
* @param v expression
* @param x expression
* @param y expression
* @return between predicate
* /
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate between(
         Expression<? extends Y> v,
         Expression<? extends Y> x,
         Expression<? extends Y> y);
* Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
* between the second and third arguments in value.
* @param v expression
* @param x value
* @param y value
* @return between predicate
* /
<Y extends Comparable<? super Y>> Predicate between(
         Expression<? extends Y> v, Y x, Y y);
```

```
//comparisons for numeric operands:
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * greater than the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return greater-than predicate
Predicate gt(Expression<? extends Number> x,
             Expression<? extends Number> y);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * greater than the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return greater-than predicate
Predicate gt(Expression<? extends Number> x, Number y);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * greater than or equal to the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return greater-than-or-equal predicate
Predicate ge(Expression<? extends Number> x,
             Expression<? extends Number> y);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * greater t\bar{h}an or equal to the second.
 \star @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return greater-than-or-equal predicate
Predicate ge(Expression<? extends Number> x, Number y);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * less than the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return less-than predicate
Predicate lt(Expression<? extends Number> x,
             Expression<? extends Number> y);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * less than the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return less-than predicate
Predicate lt(Expression<? extends Number> x, Number y);
```

```
* Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * less than or equal to the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return less-than-or-equal predicate
Predicate le(Expression<? extends Number> x,
             Expression<? extends Number> y);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the first argument is
 * less than or equal to the second.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return less-than-or-equal predicate
Predicate le(Expression<? extends Number> x, Number y);
//numerical operations:
/**
 * Create an expression that returns the arithmetic negation
 * of its argument.
 * @param x expression
 * @return arithmetic negation
 * /
<N extends Number> Expression<N> neg(Expression<N> x);
/**
 * Create an expression that returns the absolute value
 * of its argument.
 * @param x expression
 * @return absolute value
<N extends Number> Expression<N> abs(Expression<N> x);
 * Create an expression that returns the sum
 * of its arguments.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return sum
 * /
<N extends Number> Expression<N> sum(Expression<? extends N> x,
                                      Expression<? extends N> y);
/**
 * Create an expression that returns the sum
 * of its arguments.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return sum
 * /
<N extends Number> Expression<N> sum(Expression<? extends N> x,
                                     N v);
```

```
\mbox{\scriptsize \star} Create an expression that returns the sum
* of its arguments.
* @param x value
* @param y expression
* @return sum
<N extends Number> Expression<N> sum(N x,
                                      Expression<? extends N> y);
* Create an expression that returns the product
* of its arguments.
* @param x expression
* @param y expression
 * @return product
<N extends Number> Expression<N> prod(Expression<? extends N> x,
                                       Expression<? extends N> y);
* Create an expression that returns the product
* of its arguments.
* @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return product
<N extends Number> Expression<N> prod(Expression<? extends N> x,
                                       Ny);
/**
* Create an expression that returns the product
* of its arguments.
* @param x value
* @param y expression
 * @return product
* /
<N extends Number> Expression<N> prod(N x,
                                       Expression<? extends N> y);
/**
* Create an expression that returns the difference
* between its arguments.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return difference
<N extends Number> Expression<N> diff(Expression<? extends N> x,
                                       Expression<? extends N> y);
* Create an expression that returns the difference
* between its arguments.
 * @param x expression
* @param y value
 * @return difference
<N extends Number> Expression<N> diff(Expression<? extends N> x,
                                       Ny);
```

```
/**
 * Create an expression that returns the difference
 * between its arguments.
 * @param x value
 * @param y expression
 * @return difference
 * /
<N extends Number> Expression<N> diff(N x,
                                       Expression<? extends N> y);
/**
 * Create an expression that returns the quotient
 * of its arguments.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return quotient
 * /
Expression<Number> quot(Expression<? extends Number> x,
                         Expression<? extends Number> y);
/**
 * Create an expression that returns the quotient
 * of its arguments.
 \star @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return quotient
Expression<Number> quot(Expression<? extends Number> x, Number y);
/**
 * Create an expression that returns the quotient
 * of its arguments.
 * @param x value
 * @param y expression
 * @return quotient
Expression<Number> quot(Number x, Expression<? extends Number> y);
 * Create an expression that returns the modulus
 * of its arguments.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return modulus
 * /
Expression<Integer> mod(Expression<Integer> x,
                         Expression<Integer> y);
/**
 * Create an expression that returns the modulus
 * of its arguments.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return modulus
 * /
Expression<Integer> mod(Expression<Integer> x, Integer y);
```

```
\mbox{\scriptsize \star} Create an expression that returns the modulus
 * of its arguments.
 * @param x value
 * @param y expression
 * @return modulus
Expression<Integer> mod(Integer x, Expression<Integer> y);
 ^{\star} Create an expression that returns the square root
 * of its argument.
 * @param x expression
 * @return square root
Expression<Double> sqrt(Expression<? extends Number> x);
//typecasts:
 * Typecast. Returns same expression object.
 * @param number numeric expression
 * @return Expression<Long>
Expression<Long> toLong(Expression<? extends Number> number);
* Typecast. Returns same expression object.
 * @param number numeric expression
 * @return Expression<Integer>
Expression<Integer> toInteger(
         Expression<? extends Number> number);
 * Typecast. Returns same expression object.
 * @param number numeric expression
 * @return Expression<Float>
 * /
Expression<Float> toFloat(Expression<? extends Number> number);
/**
 * Typecast. Returns same expression object.
 * @param number numeric expression
 * @return Expression<Double>
Expression<Double> toDouble(Expression<? extends Number> number);
/**
 * Typecast. Returns same expression object.
 * @param number numeric expression
 * @return Expression<BigDecimal>
Expression<BigDecimal> toBigDecimal(
         Expression<? extends Number> number);
```

```
* Typecast. Returns same expression object.
 * @param number numeric expression
 * @return Expression<BigInteger>
Expression<BigInteger> toBigInteger(
         Expression<? extends Number> number);
 * Typecast. Returns same expression object.
 * @param character expression
 * @return Expression<String>
Expression<String> toString(Expression<Character> character);
//literals:
 * Create an expression for a literal.
 * @param value value represented by the expression
 * @return expression literal
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if value is null
<T> Expression<T> literal(T value);
/**
 * Create an expression for a null literal with the given type.
 * @param resultClass type of the null literal
 * @return null expression literal
 * /
<T> Expression<T> nullLiteral(Class<T> resultClass);
//parameters:
 * Create a parameter expression.
 * @param paramClass parameter class
 * @return parameter expression
 * /
<T> ParameterExpression<T> parameter(Class<T> paramClass);
 * Create a parameter expression with the given name.
 * @param paramClass parameter class
 * @param name name that can be used to refer to
                the parameter
 * @return parameter expression
 * /
<T> ParameterExpression<T> parameter(Class<T> paramClass,
                                     String name);
```

```
//collection operations:
   Create a predicate that tests whether a collection is empty.
   @param collection expression
   @return is-empty predicate
* /
<C extends Collection<?>> Predicate isEmpty(
         Expression<C> collection);
   Create a predicate that tests whether a collection is
  not empty.
   @param collection expression
   @return is-not-empty predicate
* /
<C extends Collection<?>> Predicate isNotEmpty(
         Expression<C> collection);
/**
 * Create an expression that tests the size of a collection.
* @param collection expression
* @return size expression
<C extends Collection<?>> Expression<Integer> size(
         Expression<C> collection);
\ensuremath{^{\star}} Create an expression that tests the size of a collection.
 * @param collection collection
* @return size expression
<C extends Collection<?>> Expression<Integer> size(C collection);
   Create a predicate that tests whether an element is
    a member of a collection.
   If the collection is empty, the predicate will be false.
   @param elem element expression
   @param collection expression
*
   @return is-member predicate
* /
<E, C extends Collection<E>> Predicate isMember(
         Expression<E> elem, Expression<C> collection);
/**
   Create a predicate that tests whether an element is
   a member of a collection.
   If the collection is empty, the predicate will be false.
   @param elem element
   @param collection expression
   @return is-member predicate
 * /
<E, C extends Collection<E>> Predicate isMember(
         E elem, Expression<C> collection);
```

```
Create a predicate that tests whether an element is
   not a member of a collection.
   If the collection is empty, the predicate will be true.
    @param elem element expression
    @param collection expression
    @return is-not-member predicate
 * /
<E, C extends Collection<E>> Predicate isNotMember(
         Expression<E> elem, Expression<C> collection);
/**
   Create a predicate that tests whether an element is
   not a member of a collection.
   If the collection is empty, the predicate will be true.
   @param elem element
    @param collection expression
    @return is-not-member predicate
 * /
<E, C extends Collection<E>> Predicate isNotMember(
         E elem, Expression<C> collection);
//get the values and keys collections of the Map, which may then
//be passed to size(), isMember(), isEmpty(), etc
 * Create an expression that returns the values of a map.
 * @param map map
 * @return collection expression
<V, M extends Map<?, V>> Expression<Collection<V>> values(M map);
/**
 \mbox{\scriptsize \star} Create an expression that returns the keys of a map.
 * @param map map
 * @return set expression
<K, M extends Map<K, ?>> Expression<Set<K>> keys(M map);
//string functions:
/**
 {}^{\star} Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * satisfies the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string expression
 * @return like predicate
Predicate like(Expression<String> x, Expression<String> pattern);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * satisfies the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string
 * @return like predicate
Predicate like(Expression<String> x, String pattern);
```

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```
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * satisfies the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string expression
 * @param escapeChar escape character expression
 * @return like predicate
Predicate like(Expression<String> x,
               Expression<String> pattern,
               Expression<Character> escapeChar);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * satisfies the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string expression
 * @param escapeChar escape character
 * @return like predicate
 * /
Predicate like(Expression<String> x,
               Expression<String> pattern,
               char escapeChar);
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * satisfies the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string
 * @param escapeChar escape character expression
 * @return like predicate
 * /
Predicate like(Expression<String> x,
               String pattern,
               Expression<Character> escapeChar);
/ * *
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * satisfies the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string
 * @param escapeChar escape character
 * @return like predicate
Predicate like(Expression<String> x,
               String pattern,
               char escapeChar);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * does not satisfy the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string expression
 * @return not-like predicate
 * /
Predicate notLike(Expression<String> x,
                  Expression<String> pattern);
```

```
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * does not satisfy the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string
 * @return not-like predicate
 * /
Predicate notLike(Expression<String> x, String pattern);
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * does not satisfy the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string expression
 * @param escapeChar escape character expression
 * @return not-like predicate
 * /
Predicate notLike(Expression<String> x,
                  Expression<String> pattern,
                  Expression<Character> escapeChar);
/**
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * does not satisfy the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string expression
 * @param escapeChar escape character
 * @return not-like predicate
Predicate notLike(Expression<String> x,
                  Expression<String> pattern,
                  char escapeChar);
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * does not satisfy the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string
 * @param escapeChar escape character expression
 * @return not-like predicate
 * /
Predicate notLike(Expression<String> x,
                  String pattern,
                  Expression<Character> escapeChar);
 * Create a predicate for testing whether the expression
 * does not satisfy the given pattern.
 * @param x string expression
 * @param pattern string
 * @param escapeChar escape character
 * @return not-like predicate
Predicate notLike(Expression<String> x,
                  String pattern,
                  char escapeChar);
```

```
* Create an expression for string concatenation.
   @param x string expression
   @param y string expression
   @return expression corresponding to concatenation
Expression<String> concat(Expression<String> x,
                          Expression<String> y);
   Create an expression for string concatenation.
   @param x string expression
   @param y string
   @return expression corresponding to concatenation
Expression<String> concat(Expression<String> x, String y);
   Create an expression for string concatenation.
   @param x string
   @param y string expression
   @return expression corresponding to concatenation
 * /
Expression<String> concat(String x, Expression<String> y);
/ * *
   Create an expression for substring extraction.
   Extracts a substring starting at the specified position
   through to end of the string.
 * First position is 1.
   @param x string expression
   @param from start position expression
   @return expression corresponding to substring extraction
 * /
Expression<String> substring(Expression<String> x,
                             Expression<Integer> from);
   Create an expression for substring extraction.
 * Extracts a substring starting at the specified position
   through to end of the string.
   First position is 1.
   @param x string expression
   @param from start position
   @return expression corresponding to substring extraction
 * /
Expression<String> substring(Expression<String> x, int from);
```

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/**
 * Create an expression for substring extraction.
 * Extracts a substring of given length starting at the
 * specified position.
   First position is 1.
   @param x string expression
    @param from start position expression
@param len length expression
    @return expression corresponding to substring extraction
 * /
Expression<String> substring(Expression<String> x,
                              Expression<Integer> from,
                              Expression<Integer> len);
/**
 *
    Create an expression for substring extraction.
    Extracts a substring of given length starting at the
    specified position.
   First position is 1.
   @param x string expression
   @param from start position
    @param len length
    @return expression corresponding to substring extraction
 * /
Expression<String> substring(Expression<String> x,
                              int from,
int len);
public static enum Trimspec {
     * Trim from leading end.
    LEADING,
     * Trim from trailing end.
    TRAILING,
     * Trim from both ends.
     * /
    BOTH
}
 * Create expression to trim blanks from both ends of
 * a string.
 * @param x expression for string to trim
 * @return trim expression
Expression<String> trim(Expression<String> x);
```

```
/**
 * Create expression to trim blanks from a string.
 * @param ts trim specification
 * @param x expression for string to trim
 * @return trim expression
Expression<String> trim(Trimspec ts, Expression<String> x);
 ^{\star} Create expression to trim character from both ends of
 * a string.
 * @param t expression for character to be trimmed
 * @param x expression for string to trim
 * @return trim expression
Expression<String> trim(Expression<Character> t,
                        Expression<String> x);
/**
 * Create expression to trim character from a string.
 * @param ts trim specification
 * @param t expression for character to be trimmed
 ^{\star} @param x expression for string to trim
 * @return trim expression
Expression<String> trim(Trimspec ts,
                        Expression<Character> t,
                        Expression<String> x);
/**
 * Create expression to trim character from both ends of
 * a string.
 * @param t character to be trimmed
 * @param x expression for string to trim
 * @return trim expression
Expression<String> trim(char t, Expression<String> x);
 * Create expression to trim character from a string.
 * @param ts trim specification
 * @param t character to be trimmed
 * @param x expression for string to trim
 * @return trim expression
Expression<String> trim(Trimspec ts,
                        char t,
                        Expression<String> x);
/**
 * Create expression for converting a string to lowercase.
 * @param x string expression
 * @return expression to convert to lowercase
Expression<String> lower(Expression<String> x);
```

```
/**
 * Create expression for converting a string to uppercase.
 * @param x string expression
 * @return expression to convert to uppercase
Expression<String> upper(Expression<String> x);
 * Create expression to return length of a string.
 * @param x string expression
 * @return length expression
Expression<Integer> length(Expression<String> x);
 {}^{\star} Create expression to locate the position of one string
 * within another, returning position of first character
 * if found.
 ^{\star} The first position in a string is denoted by 1. If the
 * string to be located is not found, 0 is returned.
 * @param x expression for string to be searched
 * @param pattern expression for string to be located
 ^{\star} @return expression corresponding to position
Expression<Integer> locate(Expression<String> x,
                           Expression<String> pattern);
/**
 * Create expression to locate the position of one string
 * within another, returning position of first character
 * if found.
 * The first position in a string is denoted by 1. If the
 ^{\star} string to \bar{b}e located is not found, 0 is returned.
 * @param x expression for string to be searched
 * @param pattern string to be located
 * @return expression corresponding to position
Expression<Integer> locate(Expression<String> x, String pattern);
/**
 * Create expression to locate the position of one string
 * within another, returning position of first character
 * if found.
 * The first position in a string is denoted by 1.
 * string to be located is not found, 0 is returned.
 * @param x expression for string to be searched
 * @param pattern expression for string to be located
 * @param from expression for position at which to start search
 * @return expression corresponding to position
Expression<Integer> locate(Expression<String> x,
                           Expression<String> pattern,
                           Expression<Integer> from);
```

```
/**
 * Create expression to locate the position of one string
 * within another, returning position of first character
 * if found.
 * The first position in a string is denoted by 1.
 * string to be located is not found, 0 is returned.
 * @param x expression for string to be searched
 * @param pattern string to be located
 \mbox{*} @param from % \mbox{position} position at which to start search
 * @return expression corresponding to position
 * /
Expression<Integer> locate(Expression<String> x,
                           String pattern,
                            int from);
// Date/time/timestamp functions:
   Create expression to return current date.
*
   @return expression for current date
 * /
Expression<java.sql.Date> currentDate();
*
   Create expression to return current timestamp.
    @return expression for current timestamp
 * /
Expression<java.sql.Timestamp> currentTimestamp();
/**
   Create expression to return current time.
   @return expression for current time
Expression<java.sql.Time> currentTime();
//in builders:
   Interface used to build in predicates.
public static interface In<T> extends Predicate {
      * Return the expression to be tested against the
      * list of values.
      * @return expression
      * /
     Expression<T> getExpression();
     /**
      * Add to list of values to be tested against.
      *
         @param value value
        @return in predicate
     In<T> value(T value);
```

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Add to list of values to be tested against.
         @param value expression
        @return in predicate
      * /
     In<T> value(Expression<? extends T> value);
 }
/ * *
    Create predicate to test whether given expression
   is contained in a list of values.
   @param expression to be tested against list of values
    @return in predicate
 * /
<T> In<T> in(Expression<? extends T> expression);
// coalesce, nullif:
 * Create an expression that returns null if all its arguments
 * evaluate to null, and the value of the first non-null argument
 * otherwise.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return coalesce expression
<Y> Expression<Y> coalesce(Expression<? extends Y> x,
                            Expression<? extends Y> y);
/**
 * Create an expression that returns null if all its arguments
 * evaluate to null, and the value of the first non-null argument
 * otherwise.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return coalesce expression
<Y> Expression<Y> coalesce(Expression<? extends Y> x, Y y);
/**
 * Create an expression that tests whether its argument are
 \mbox{\scriptsize *} equal, returning null if they are and the value of the
 * first expression if they are not.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y expression
 * @return nullif expression
<Y> Expression<Y> nullif(Expression<Y> x, Expression<?> y);
 ^{\star} Create an expression that tests whether its argument are
 * equal, returning null if they are and the value of the
 * first expression if they are not.
 * @param x expression
 * @param y value
 * @return nullif expression
 * /
<Y> Expression<Y> nullif(Expression<Y> x, Y y);
```

```
// coalesce builder:
   Interface used to build coalesce expressions.
 * A coalesce expression is equivalent to a case expression
 * that returns null if all its arguments evaluate to null,
 * and the value of its first non-null argument otherwise.
public static interface Coalesce<T> extends Expression<T> {
      ^{\star} Add an argument to the coalesce expression.
      * @param value value
      * @return coalesce expression
     Coalesce<T> value(T value);
      * Add an argument to the coalesce expression.
      * @param value expression
      * @return coalesce expression
     Coalesce<T> value(Expression<? extends T> value);
 * Create a coalesce expression.
 * @return coalesce expression
* /
<T> Coalesce<T> coalesce();
```

```
//case builders:
   Interface used to build simple case expressions.
 *
   Case conditions are evaluated in the order in which
   they are specified.
public static interface SimpleCase<C,R> extends Expression<R> {
     /**
     * Return the expression to be tested against the
      * conditions.
      * @return expression
     Expression<C> getExpression();
     /**
     * Add a when/then clause to the case expression.
      * @param condition "when" condition
      * @param result "then" result value
      * @return simple case expression
```

SimpleCase<C, R> when(C condition, R result);

```
\mbox{\ensuremath{^{\star}}} Add a when/then clause to the case expression.
      * @param condition "when" condition
      * @param result "then" result expression
      * @return simple case expression
      * /
     SimpleCase<C, R> when(C condition,
                             Expression<? extends R> result);
     /**
      * Add an "else" clause to the case expression.
* @param result "else" result
      * @return expression
     Expression<R> otherwise(R result);
      * Add an "else" clause to the case expression.
* @param result "else" result expression
      * @return expression
     Expression<R> otherwise(Expression<? extends R> result);
}
/**
   Create a simple case expression.
    @param expression to be tested against the case conditions
    @return simple case expression
 * /
<C, R> SimpleCase<C,R> selectCase(
          Expression<? extends C> expression);
/**
   Interface used to build general case expressions.
 *
    Case conditions are evaluated in the order in which
    they are specified.
public static interface Case<R> extends Expression<R> {
     /**
      * Add a when/then clause to the case expression.
      * @param condition "when" condition
      * @param result "then" result value
      * @return general case expression
     Case<R> when(Expression<Boolean> condition, R result);
      * Add a when/then clause to the case expression.
      * @param condition "when" condition
      * @param result "then" result expression
      * @return general case expression
     Case<R> when (Expression < Boolean > condition,
                   Expression<? extends R> result);
```

```
* Add an "else" clause to the case expression.
* @param result "else" result
            * @return expression
            * /
           Expression<R> otherwise(R result);
            * Add an "else" clause to the case expression.
* @param result "else" result expression
            * @return expression
           Expression<R> otherwise(Expression<? extends R> result);
     }
     / * *
         Create a general case expression.
         @return general case expression
      * /
    <R> Case<R> selectCase();
    /**
      * Create an expression for the execution of a database
      * function.
      * @param name function name

* @param type expected result type

* @param args function arguments
      * @return expression
      * /
   <T> Expression<T> function(String name,
                                      Class<T> type,
                                      Expression<?>... args);
}
```

### **6.3.2** AbstractQuery Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.Set;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.EntityType;
/**
 * The AbstractQuery interface defines functionality that is common
 * to both top-level queries and subqueries.
 * It is not intended to be used directly in query construction.
 * All queries must have:
           a set of root entities (which may in turn own joins)
 * All queries may have:
           a conjunction of restrictions
 * @param <T> type of the result
public interface AbstractQuery<T> {
     {}^{\star} Create and add a query root corresponding to the given entity,
     * forming a cartesian product with any existing roots.
     * @param entityClass the entity class
     * @return query root corresponding to the given entity
     * /
    <X> Root<X> from(Class<X> entityClass);
     * Create and add a query root corresponding to the given entity,
     * forming a cartesian product with any existing roots.
     * @param entity metamodel entity representing the entity
                      of type X
     * @return query root corresponding to the given entity
    <X> Root<X> from(EntityType<X> entity);
     ^{\star} Modify the query to restrict the query results according
     * to the specified boolean expression.
     * Replaces the previously added restriction(s), if any.
     ^{\star} @param restriction a simple or compound boolean expression
     * @return the modified query
    AbstractQuery<T> where(Expression<Boolean> restriction);
     * Modify the query to restrict the query results according
     * to the conjunction of the specified restriction predicates.
     * Replaces the previously added restriction(s), if any.
     * If no restrictions are specified, any previously added
     * restrictions are simply removed.
     * @param restrictions zero or more restriction predicates
     * @return the modified query
     * /
    AbstractQuery<T> where(Predicate... restrictions);
```

```
* Specify the expressions that are used to form groups over
 * the query results.
 * Replaces the previous specified grouping expressions, if any.
 * If no grouping expressions are specified, any previously
 * added grouping expressions are simply removed.
 * @param grouping zero or more grouping expressions
 * @return the modified query
AbstractQuery<T> groupBy(Expression<?>... grouping);
/**
 * Specify the expressions that are used to form groups over
 * the query results.
 * Replaces the previous specified grouping expressions, if any.
 * If no grouping expressions are specified, any previously
 * added grouping expressions are simply removed.
 * @param grouping list of zero or more grouping expressions
 * @return the modified query
 * /
AbstractQuery<T> groupBy(List<Expression<?>> grouping);
/**
 * Specify a restriction over the groups of the query.
 * Replaces the previous having restriction(s), if any.
 * @param restriction a simple or compound boolean expression
 * @return the modified query
AbstractQuery<T> having(Expression<Boolean> restriction);
/**
 * Specify restrictions over the groups of the guery
 * according the conjunction of the specified restriction
 * predicates.
 * Replaces the previously added having restriction(s), if any.
 * If no restrictions are specified, any previously added
 * restrictions are simply removed.
 * @param restrictions zero or more restriction predicates
 * @return the modified query
 * /
AbstractQuery<T> having(Predicate... restrictions);
/**
 \mbox{\ensuremath{^{\star}}} Specify whether duplicate query results will be eliminated.
 * A true value will cause duplicates to be eliminated.
 * A false value will cause duplicates to be retained.
 * If distinct has not been specified, duplicate results must
 * be retained.
 * @param distinct boolean value specifying whether duplicate
          results must be eliminated from the query result or
          whether they must be retained
 * @return the modified query
AbstractQuery<T> distinct(boolean distinct);
```

```
* Create a subquery of the query.
 * @param type the subquery result type
 * @return subquery
<U> Subquery<U> subquery(Class<U> type);
/ * *
 * Return the query roots. These are the roots that have
 * been defined for the CriteriaQuery or Subquery itself,
 ^{\star} including any subquery roots defined as a result of
 * correlation. Returns empty set if no roots have been defined.
 * Modifications to the set do not affect the query.
 * @return the set of query roots
 * /
Set<Root<?>> getRoots();
 * Return the selection of the query, or null if no selection
 * has been set.
   @return selection item
 * /
Selection<T> getSelection();
 * Return the predicate that corresponds to the where clause
 * restriction(s), or null if no restrictions have been
 * specified.
 ^{\star} @return where clause predicate
Predicate getRestriction();
/**
 * Return a list of the grouping expressions. Returns empty
 * list if no grouping expressions have been specified.
 * Modifications to the list do not affect the query.
 * @return the list of grouping expressions
List<Expression<?>> getGroupList();
/**
 * Return the predicate that corresponds to the restriction(s)
 * over the grouping items, or null if no restrictions have
 * been specified.
 * @return having clause predicate
 * /
Predicate getGroupRestriction();
 * Return whether duplicate query results must be eliminated or
 * retained.
 * @return boolean indicating whether duplicate query results
           must be eliminated
 * /
boolean isDistinct();
```

```
/**
  * Return the result type of the query or subquery.
  * If a result type was specified as an argument to the
  * createQuery or subquery method, that type will be returned.
  * If the query was created using the createTupleQuery
  * method, the result type is Tuple.
  * Otherwise, the result type is Object.
  * @return result type
  */
Class<T> getResultType();
}
```

## **<u>6.3.3</u>** CriteriaQuery Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.Set;
 * The CriteriaQuery interface defines functionality that is specific
 * to top-level queries.
 * @param <T> type of the defined result
public interface CriteriaQuery<T> extends AbstractQuery<T> {
    /**
     * Specify the item that is to be returned in the query result.
     * Replaces the previously specified selection(s), if any.
     * Note: Applications using the string-based API may need to
     * specify the type of the select item when it results from
     * a get or join operation and the query result type is
     * specified. For example:
     * CriteriaQuery<String> q = cb.createQuery(String.class);
     * Root<Order> order = q.from(Order.class);
     * q.select(order.get("shippingAddress").<String>get("state"));
     * CriteriaQuery<Product> q2 = cb.createQuery(Product.class);
     * q2.select(q2.from(Order.class)
                   .join("items")
                   .<Item,Product>join("product"));
       @param selection selection specifying the item that
              is to be returned in the query result
     * @return the modified query
     * @throws IllegalArgumentException if the selection is
               a compound selection and more than one selection
               item has the same assigned alias
     * /
    CriteriaQuery<T> select(Selection<? extends T> selection);
    /**
     ^{\star} Specify the selection items that are to be returned in the
     * query result.
     * Replaces the previously specified selection(s), if any.
     * The type of the result of the query execution depends on
     * the specification of the type of the criteria query object
     * created as well as the arguments to the multiselect method.
     * An argument to the multiselect method must not be a tuple-
     * or array-valued compound selection item.
     * The semantics of this method are as follows:
     * If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<Tuple>
     * (i.e., a criteria query object created by either the
     * createTupleQuery method or by passing a Tuple class argument
     * to the createQuery method), a Tuple object corresponding to
     * the arguments of the multiselect method, in the specified
```

```
* order, will be instantiated and returned for each row that
 * results from the query execution.
* If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<X> for
* some user-defined class X (i.e., a criteria query object
 * created by passing a X class argument to the createQuery
 * method), the arguments to the multiselect method will be
  passed to the X constructor and an instance of type X will be
  returned for each row.
 * If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<X[]> for
 * some class X, an instance of type X[] will be returned for
 * each row. The elements of the array will correspond to the
 * arguments of the multiselect method, in the specified order.
* If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<Object>
  or if the criteria query was created without specifying a
  type, and only a single argument is passed to the multiselect
 * method, an instance of type Object will be returned for
 * each row.
* If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<Object>
* or if the criteria query was created without specifying a
 * type, and more than one argument is passed to the multiselect
 * method, an instance of type Object[] will be instantiated
 * and returned for each row. The elements of the array will
 * correspond to the arguments to the multiselect method, in the
 * specified order.
 * @param selections selection items corresponding to the
         results to be returned by the query
* @return the modified guery
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if a selection item is
          not valid or if more than one selection item has
           the same assigned alias
 * /
CriteriaQuery<T> multiselect(Selection<?>... selections);
 * Specify the selection items that are to be returned in the
 * query result.
 * Replaces the previously specified selection(s), if any.
 * The type of the result of the query execution depends on
 * the specification of the type of the criteria query object
 * created as well as the argument to the multiselect method.
 * An element of the list passed to the multiselect method
 * must not be a tuple- or array-valued compound selection item.
* The semantics of this method are as follows:
* If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<Tuple>
 * (i.e., a criteria query object created by either the
 * createTupleQuery method or by passing a Tuple class argument
 * to the createQuery method), a Tuple object corresponding to
 * the elements of the list passed to the multiselect method,
 * in the specified order, will be instantiated and returned * for each row that results from the query execution.
```

```
* If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<X> for
 * some user-defined class X (i.e., a criteria query object
 * created by passing a X class argument to the createQuery
 * method), the elements of the list passed to the multiselect
 * method will be passed to the X constructor and an instance
 * of type X will be returned for each row.
 * If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<X[]> for * some class X, an instance of type X[] will be returned for * each row. The elements of the array will correspond to the
 * elements of the list passed to the multiselect method, in
 * the specified order.
 * If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<Object>
 * or if the criteria query was created without specifying a
 * type, and the list passed to the multiselect method contains
 * only a single element, an instance of type Object will be
 * returned for each row.
 * If the type of the criteria query is CriteriaQuery<Object>
 * or if the criteria query was created without specifying a
 * type, and the list passed to the multiselect method contains
 * more than one element, an instance of type Object[] will be
 * instantiated and returned for each row. The elements of the
 * array will correspond to the elements of the list passed to
 * the multiselect method, in the specified order.
 * @param selectionList list of selection items corresponding
          to the results to be returned by the query
 * @return the modified query
 * @throws IllegalArgumentException if a selection item is
           not valid or if more than one selection item has
           the same assigned alias
 * /
CriteriaQuery<T> multiselect(List<Selection<?>> selectionList);
 ^{\star} Modify the query to restrict the query result according
 * to the specified boolean expression.
 * Replaces the previously added restriction(s), if any.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param restriction a simple or compound boolean expression
 * @return the modified query
CriteriaQuery<T> where(Expression<Boolean> restriction);
 * Modify the query to restrict the query result according
 * to the conjunction of the specified restriction predicates.
 * Replaces the previously added restriction(s), if any.
 * If no restrictions are specified, any previously added
 * restrictions are simply removed.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param restrictions zero or more restriction predicates
 * @return the modified query
CriteriaQuery<T> where(Predicate... restrictions);
```

```
/ * *
 * Specify the expressions that are used to form groups over
 * the query results.
 * Replaces the previous specified grouping expressions, if any.
 * If no grouping expressions are specified, any previously
 * added grouping expressions are simply removed.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param grouping zero or more grouping expressions
 * @return the modified query
 * /
CriteriaQuery<T> groupBy(Expression<?>... grouping);
 * Specify the expressions that are used to form groups over
 * the query results.
 * Replaces the previous specified grouping expressions, if any.
 * If no grouping expressions are specified, any previously
 * added grouping expressions are simply removed.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param grouping list of zero or more grouping expressions
 * @return the modified query
 * /
CriteriaQuery<T> groupBy(List<Expression<?>> grouping);
\mbox{\scriptsize \star} Specify a restriction over the groups of the query.
 * Replaces the previous having restriction(s), if any.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param restriction a simple or compound boolean expression
 * @return the modified query
 * /
CriteriaQuery<T> having(Expression<Boolean> restriction);
 * Specify restrictions over the groups of the query
 * according the conjunction of the specified restriction
 * predicates.
 * Replaces the previously added having restriction(s), if any.
 * If no restrictions are specified, any previously added
 * restrictions are simply removed.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param restrictions zero or more restriction predicates
 * @return the modified query
CriteriaQuery<T> having(Predicate... restrictions);
/**
 * Specify the ordering expressions that are used to
 * order the query results.
 * Replaces the previous ordering expressions, if any.
 * If no ordering expressions are specified, the previous
 * ordering, if any, is simply removed, and results will
 * be returned in no particular order.
 * The left-to-right sequence of the ordering expressions
```

```
* determines the precedence, whereby the leftmost has highest
 * precedence.
 * @param o zero or more ordering expressions
 * @return the modified query
CriteriaQuery<T> orderBy(Order... o);
/ * *
 * Specify the ordering expressions that are used to
 * order the query results.
 * Replaces the previous ordering expressions, if any.
 * If no ordering expressions are specified, the previous
 * ordering, if any, is simply removed, and results will
 * be returned in no particular order.
 * The order of the ordering expressions in the list
 * determines the precedence, whereby the first element in the
 * list has highest precedence.
 * @param o list of zero or more ordering expressions
 * @return the modified query
 * /
CriteriaQuery<T> orderBy(List<Order> o);
 * Specify whether duplicate query results will be eliminated.
 * A true value will cause duplicates to be eliminated.
 * A false value will cause duplicates to be retained.
 * If distinct has not been specified, duplicate results must
 * be retained.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param distinct boolean value specifying whether duplicate
          results must be eliminated from the query result or
          whether they must be retained
 * @return the modified query.
 * /
CriteriaQuery<T> distinct(boolean distinct);
 * Return the ordering expressions in order of precedence.
 * Returns empty list if no ordering expressions have been
 * specified.
 * Modifications to the list do not affect the query.
 * @return the list of ordering expressions
 * /
List<Order> getOrderList();
/**
 * Return the parameters of the query. Returns empty set if
 * there are no parameters.
 * Modifications to the set do not affect the query.
 * @return the query parameters
 * /
Set<ParameterExpression<?>> getParameters();
```

### **6.3.4** Subquery Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.Set;
 * The Subquery interface defines functionality that is
 * specific to subqueries.
 * A subquery has an expression as its selection item.
 * @param <T> the type of the selection item.
public interface Subquery<T>
                       extends AbstractQuery<T>, Expression<T> {
     * Specify the item that is to be returned as the subquery
     * result.
     * Replaces the previously specified selection, if any.
     * @param expression expression specifying the item that
              is to be returned as the subquery result
     * @return the modified subquery
     * /
    Subquery<T> select(Expression<T> expression);
     * Modify the subquery to restrict the result according
     * to the specified boolean expression.
     * Replaces the previously added restriction(s), if any.
     * This method only overrides the return type of the
     * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
     * @param restriction a simple or compound boolean expression
     * @return the modified subquery
    Subquery<T> where(Expression<Boolean> restriction);
     * Modify the subquery to restrict the result according
     * to the conjunction of the specified restriction predicates.
     * Replaces the previously added restriction(s), if any.
     * If no restrictions are specified, any previously added
     * restrictions are simply removed.
     * This method only overrides the return type of the
     * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
     * @param restrictions zero or more restriction predicates
     * @return the modified subquery
    Subquery<T> where(Predicate... restrictions);
```

```
* Specify the expressions that are used to form groups over
 * the subquery results.
 * Replaces the previous specified grouping expressions, if any.
 * If no grouping expressions are specified, any previously
 * added grouping expressions are simply removed.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param grouping zero or more grouping expressions
 * @return the modified subquery
Subquery<T> groupBy(Expression<?>... grouping);
/**
 * Specify the expressions that are used to form groups over
 * the subquery results.
 * Replaces the previous specified grouping expressions, if any.
 * If no grouping expressions are specified, any previously
 * added grouping expressions are simply removed.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param grouping list of zero or more grouping expressions
 * @return the modified subquery
Subquery<T> groupBy(List<Expression<?>> grouping);
 * Specify a restriction over the groups of the subquery.
 * Replaces the previous having restriction(s), if any.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param restriction a simple or compound boolean expression
 * @return the modified subquery
Subquery<T> having(Expression<Boolean> restriction);
 * Specify restrictions over the groups of the subquery
 * according the conjunction of the specified restriction
 * predicates.
 * Replaces the previously added having restriction(s), if any.
 * If no restrictions are specified, any previously added
 * restrictions are simply removed.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param restrictions zero or more restriction predicates
 * @return the modified subquery
Subquery<T> having(Predicate... restrictions);
```

```
* Specify whether duplicate query results will be eliminated.
 * A true value will cause duplicates to be eliminated.
 * A false value will cause duplicates to be retained.
 ^{\star} If distinct has not been specified, duplicate results must
 * be retained.
 * This method only overrides the return type of the
 * corresponding AbstractQuery method.
 * @param distinct boolean value specifying whether duplicate
          results must be eliminated from the subquery result or
          whether they must be retained
 * @return the modified subquery.
 * /
Subquery<T> distinct(boolean distinct);
* Create a subquery root correlated to a root of the
 * enclosing query.
 * @param parentRoot a root of the containing query
 * @return subquery root
 * /
<Y> Root<Y> correlate(Root<Y> parentRoot);
/**
* Create a subquery join object correlated to a join object
* of the enclosing query.
 * @param parentJoin join object of the containing query
 * @return subquery join
 * /
<X, Y> Join<X, Y> correlate(Join<X, Y> parentJoin);
/**
 * Create a subquery collection join object correlated to a
 * collection join object of the enclosing query.
 * @param parentCollection join object of the containing query
 * @return subquery join
 * /
<X, Y> CollectionJoin<X, Y> correlate(
         CollectionJoin<X, Y> parentCollection);
/**
 * Create a subquery set join object correlated to a set join
 * object of the enclosing query.
 * @param parentSet join object of the containing query
 * @return subquery join
<X, Y> SetJoin<X, Y> correlate(SetJoin<X, Y> parentSet);
 * Create a subquery list join object correlated to a list join
 * object of the enclosing query.
 * @param parentList join object of the containing query
 * @return subquery join
 * /
<X, Y> ListJoin<X, Y> correlate(ListJoin<X, Y> parentList);
```

```
\ensuremath{^{\star}} Create a subquery map join object correlated to a map join
     * object of the enclosing query.
     * @param parentMap join object of the containing query
     * @return subquery join
     * /
    <X, K, V> MapJoin<X, K, V> correlate(MapJoin<X, K, V> parentMap);
     * Return the query of which this is a subquery.
     ^{\star} @return the enclosing query or subquery
   AbstractQuery<?> getParent();
     * Return the selection expression.
     ^{\star} @return the item to be returned in the subquery result
   Expression<T> getSelection();
     * Return the correlated joins of the subquery (Join objects
       obtained as a result of the use of the correlate method).
       Returns empty set if the subquery has no correlated
        joins.
       Modifications to the set do not affect the query.
       @return the correlated joins of the subquery
     * /
   Set<Join<?, ?>> getCorrelatedJoins();
}
```

#### **6.3.5** Selection Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import javax.persistence.TupleElement;
import java.util.List;
 * The Selection interface defines an item that is to be
 * returned in a query result.
 * @param <X> the type of the selection item
public interface Selection<X> extends TupleElement<X> {
     * Assigns an alias to the selection item.
     * Once assigned, an alias cannot be changed or reassigned.
     * Returns the same selection item.
     * @param name alias
     * @return selection item
    Selection<X> alias(String name);
     * Whether the selection item is a compound selection.
     * @return boolean indicating whether the selection is a
               compound selection
     * /
    boolean isCompoundSelection();
     * Return the selection items composing a compound selection.
     * Modifications to the list do not affect the query.
     * @return list of selection items
     * @throws IllegalStateException if selection is not a compound
               selection
     * /
    List<Selection<?>> getCompoundSelectionItems();
}
```

## **<u>6.3.6</u>** CompoundSelection Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;

/**
    * The CompoundSelection interface defines a compound selection item
    * (tuple, array, or result of constructor).
    *
    * @param <X> the type of the selection item
    */
public interface CompoundSelection<X> extends Selection<X> {}
```

### **6.3.7** Expression Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.util.Collection;
 * Type for query expressions.
 * @param <T> the type of the expression
public interface Expression<T> extends Selection<T> {
       Create a predicate to test whether the expression is null.
       @return predicate testing whether the expression is null
     * /
    Predicate isNull();
    /**
     * Create a predicate to test whether the expression is
       not null.
        @return predicate testing whether the expression is not null
     * /
    Predicate isNotNull();
    /**
     * Create a predicate to test whether the expression is a member
     \star of the argument list.
     * @param values values to be tested against
     * @return predicate testing for membership
    Predicate in(Object... values);
     * Create a predicate to test whether the expression is a member
     * of the argument list.
     * @param values expressions to be tested against
     * @return predicate testing for membership
    Predicate in(Expression<?>... values);
    /**
     * Create a predicate to test whether the expression is a member
     * of the collection.
     * @param values collection of values to be tested against
     * @return predicate testing for membership
    Predicate in(Collection<?> values);
     * Create a predicate to test whether the expression is a member
     * of the collection.
     ^{\star} @param values expression corresponding to collection to be
              tested against
     * @return predicate testing for membership
     * /
    Predicate in(Expression<Collection<?>> values);
```

```
/**
  * Perform a typecast upon the expression, returning a new
  * expression object.
  * This method does not cause type conversion:
  * the runtime type is not changed.
  * Warning: may result in a runtime failure.
  * @param type intended type of the expression
  * @return new expression of the given type
  */
  <X> Expression
  */
```

# **6.3.8 Predicate Interface**

Criteria API

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.util.List;
 * The type of a simple or compound predicate: a conjunction or
 * disjunction of restrictions.
 * A simple predicate is considered to be a conjunction with a
 * single conjunct.
public interface Predicate extends Expression<Boolean> {
        public static enum BooleanOperator {
              AND, OR
        }
    /**
     * Return the boolean operator for the predicate.
     * If the predicate is simple, this is AND.
     * @return boolean operator for the predicate
    BooleanOperator getOperator();
    /**
     * Whether the predicate has been created from another
     * predicate by applying the Predicate not() method or the
     * CriteriaBuilder not() method.
     * @return boolean indicating if the predicate is
                       a negated predicate
     * /
    boolean isNegated();
     * Return the top-level conjuncts or disjuncts of the predicate.
     * Returns empty list if there are no top-level conjuncts or
     * disjuncts of the predicate.
     * Modifications to the list do not affect the query.
     * @return list of boolean expressions forming the predicate
    List<Expression<Boolean>> getExpressions();
     * Create a negation of the predicate.
     * @return negated predicate
    Predicate not();
```

## 6.3.9 Path Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.PluralAttribute;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.SingularAttribute;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.Bindable;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.MapAttribute;
 * Represents a simple or compound attribute path from a
 * bound type or collection, and is a "primitive" expression.
 * @param <X> the type referenced by the path
public interface Path<X> extends Expression<X> {
    /**
     * Return the bindable object that corresponds to the
     * path expression.
     * @return bindable object corresponding to the path
    Bindable<X> getModel();
       Return the parent "node" in the path or null if no parent.
     *
       @return parent
     * /
    Path<?> getParentPath();
       Create a path corresponding to the referenced
        single-valued attribute.
       @param attribute single-valued attribute
       @return path corresponding to the referenced attribute
     * /
    <Y> Path<Y> get(SingularAttribute<? super X, Y> attribute);
    /**
       Create a path corresponding to the referenced
       collection-valued attribute.
        @param collection collection-valued attribute
       @return expression corresponding to the referenced attribute
     * /
    <E, C extends java.util.Collection<E>> Expression<C> get(
             PluralAttribute<X, C, E> collection);
    /**
       Create a path corresponding to the referenced
       map-valued attribute.
       @param map map-valued attribute
       @return expression corresponding to the referenced attribute
     * /
    <K, V, M extends java.util.Map<K, V>> Expression<M> get(
             MapAttribute<X, K, V> map);
```

```
Create an expression corresponding to the type of the path.
       @return expression corresponding to the type of the path
    * /
   Expression<Class<? extends X>> type();
    //String-based:
    /**
       Create a path corresponding to the referenced attribute.
       Note: Applications using the string-based API may need to
        specify the type resulting from the get operation in order
        to avoid the use of Path variables.
       For example:
       CriteriaQuery<Person> q = cb.createQuery(Person.class);
       Root<Person> p = q.from(Person.class);
       q.select(p)
         .where(cb.isMember("joe",
                            p.<Set<String>>get("nicknames")));
       rather than:
       CriteriaQuery<Person> q = cb.createQuery(Person.class);
       Root<Person> p = q.from(Person.class);
       Path<Set<String>> nicknames = p.get("nicknames");
       q.select(p)
         .where(cb.isMember("joe", nicknames));
       @param attributeName name of the attribute
       @return path corresponding to the referenced attribute
       @throws IllegalStateException if invoked on a path that
                corresponds to a basic type
        @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
                name does not otherwise exist
    <Y> Path<Y> get(String attributeName);
}
```

## 6.3.10 FetchParent Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.PluralAttribute;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.SingularAttribute;
 * Represents an element of the from clause which may
 * function as the parent of Fetches.
 * @param <Z> the source type
 * @param <X> the target type
public interface FetchParent<Z, X> {
     * Return the fetch joins that have been made from this type.
     * Returns empty set if no fetch joins have been made from
       this type.
     * Modifications to the set do not affect the query.
       @return fetch joins made from this type
     * /
    java.util.Set<Fetch<X, ?>> getFetches();
       Create a fetch join to the specified single-valued attribute
     * using an inner join.
       @param attribute target of the join
       @return the resulting fetch join
     * /
    <Y> Fetch<X, Y> fetch(SingularAttribute<? super X, Y> attribute);
       Create a fetch join to the specified single-valued attribute
       using the given join type.
       @param attribute target of the join
        @param jt join type
     *
        @return the resulting fetch join
     * /
    <Y> Fetch<X, Y> fetch(SingularAttribute<? super X, Y> attribute,
                           JoinType jt);
    /**
     * Create a fetch join to the specified collection-valued
       attribute using an inner join.
       @param attribute target of the join
       @return the resulting join
     * /
    <Y> Fetch<X, Y> fetch(PluralAttribute<? super X, ?, Y> attribute);
     * Create a fetch join to the specified collection-valued
      attribute using the given join type.
       @param attribute target of the join
        @param jt join type
     *
        @return the resulting join
     * /
    <Y> Fetch<X, Y> fetch(PluralAttribute<? super X, ?, Y> attribute,
                           JoinType jt);
```

```
//String-based:
   Create a fetch join to the specified attribute using an
    inner join.
    @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
          target of the join
    @return the resulting fetch join
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name does not exist
 * /
<X, Y> Fetch<X, Y> fetch(String attributeName);
   Create a fetch join to the specified attribute using
    the given join type.
    @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
           target of the join
    @param jt join type
   @return the resulting fetch join
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name does not exist
<X, Y> Fetch<X, Y> fetch(String attributeName, JoinType jt);
```

/\*\*

\* @return join type

JoinType getJoinType();

\* Return the join type used in the fetch join.

# **<u>6.3.12</u>** From Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.SingularAttribute;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.CollectionAttribute;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.ListAttribute;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.MapAttribute;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.SetAttribute;
import java.util.Set;
 \mbox{\scriptsize *} Represents a bound type, usually an entity that appears in
 * the from clause, but may also be an embeddable belonging to
 * an entity in the from clause.
 * Serves as a factory for Joins of associations, embeddables, and
 * collections belonging to the type, and for Paths of attributes
 * belonging to the type.
 * @param <Z> the source type
 * @param <X> the target type
public interface From<Z, X> extends Path<X>, FetchParent<Z, X> {
     * Return the joins that have been made from this bound type.
     * Returns empty set if no joins have been made from this
     * bound type.
       Modifications to the set do not affect the query.
       @return joins made from this type
     * /
    Set<Join<X, ?>> getJoins();
     * Whether the From object has been obtained as a result of
       correlation (use of a Subquery correlate method).
       @return boolean indicating whether the object has been
                obtained through correlation
     * /
    boolean isCorrelated();
    /**
       Returns the parent From object from which the correlated
       From object has been obtained through correlation (use
     * of a Subquery correlate method).
       @return the parent of the correlated From object
        @throws IllegalStateException if the From object has
                not been obtained through correlation
     * /
    From<Z, X> getCorrelationParent();
     * Create an inner join to the specified single-valued
       attribute.
       @param attribute target of the join
        @return the resulting join
     * /
    <Y> Join<X, Y> join(SingularAttribute<? super X, Y> attribute);
```

```
Create a join to the specified single-valued attribute
* using the given join type.
   @param attribute target of the join
   @param jt join type
   @return the resulting join
* /
<Y> Join<X, Y> join(SingularAttribute<? super X, Y> attribute,
                    JoinType jt);
/**
   Create an inner join to the specified Collection-valued
   attribute.
   @param collection target of the join
   @return the resulting join
* /
<Y> CollectionJoin<X, Y> join(
         CollectionAttribute<? super X, Y> collection);
/**
   Create an inner join to the specified Set-valued attribute.
   @param set target of the join
   @return the resulting join
* /
<Y> SetJoin<X, Y> join(SetAttribute<? super X, Y> set);
/**
   Create an inner join to the specified List-valued attribute.
   @param list target of the join
   @return the resulting join
* /
<Y> ListJoin<X, Y> join(ListAttribute<? super X, Y> list);
/**
   Create an inner join to the specified Map-valued attribute.
*
   @param map target of the join
   @return the resulting join
* /
<K, V> MapJoin<X, K, V> join(MapAttribute<? super X, K, V> map);
/**
   Create a join to the specified Collection-valued attribute
* using the given join type.
   @param collection target of the join
   @param jt join type
   @return the resulting join
* /
<Y> CollectionJoin<X, Y> join(
    CollectionAttribute<? super X, Y> collection, JoinType jt);
/**
   Create a join to the specified Set-valued attribute using
   the given join type.
   @param set target of the join
   @param jt join type
   @return the resulting join
<Y> SetJoin<X, Y> join(SetAttribute<? super X, Y> set,
                       JoinType jt);
```

```
/**
   Create a join to the specified List-valued attribute using
   the given join type.
   @param list target of the join
   @param jt join type
   @return the resulting join
* /
<Y> ListJoin<X, Y> join(ListAttribute<? super X, Y> list,
                        JoinType jt);
/**
   Create a join to the specified Map-valued attribute using
   the given join type.
   @param map target of the join
   @param jt join type
   @return the resulting join
* /
<K, V> MapJoin<X, K, V> join(MapAttribute<? super X, K, V> map,
                             JoinType jt);
//String-based:
   Create an inner join to the specified attribute.
   @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                 target of the join
   @return the resulting join
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name does not exist
* /
<X, Y> Join<X, Y> join(String attributeName);
*
   Create an inner join to the specified Collection-valued
   attribute.
   @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                 target of the join
   @return the resulting join
*
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name does not exist
* /
<X, Y> CollectionJoin<X, Y> joinCollection(String attributeName);
/**
   Create an inner join to the specified Set-valued attribute.
   @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                 target of the join
   @return the resulting join
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name does not exist
<X, Y> SetJoin<X, Y> joinSet(String attributeName);
```

```
Create an inner join to the specified List-valued attribute.
   @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                target of the join
   @return the resulting join
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name does not exist
* /
<X, Y> ListJoin<X, Y> joinList(String attributeName);
   Create an inner join to the specified Map-valued attribute.
   @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                 target of the join
   @return the resulting join
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name does not exist
<X, K, V> MapJoin<X, K, V> joinMap(String attributeName);
   Create a join to the specified attribute using the given
 *
    join type.
   @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                target of the join
   @param jt join type
   @return the resulting join
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name does not exist
<X, Y> Join<X, Y> join(String attributeName, JoinType jt);
/**
   Create a join to the specified Collection-valued attribute
   using the given join type.
   @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                 target of the join
   @param jt join type
   @return the resulting join
 *
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name does not exist
<X, Y> CollectionJoin<X, Y> joinCollection(String attributeName,
                                           JoinType jt);
/**
   Create a join to the specified Set-valued attribute using
   the given join type.
   @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                 target of the join
   @param jt join type
   @return the resulting join
 *
   @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
           name does not exist
<X, Y> SetJoin<X, Y> joinSet(String attributeName, JoinType jt);
```

```
Create a join to the specified List-valued attribute using
   the given join type.
    @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                 target of the join
    @param jt join type
    @return the resulting join
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name does not exist
 * /
<X, Y> ListJoin<X, Y> joinList(String attributeName, JoinType jt);
    Create a join to the specified Map-valued attribute using
    the given join type.
    @param attributeName name of the attribute for the
                 target of the join
    @param jt join type
    @return the resulting join
    @throws IllegalArgumentException if attribute of the given
            name does not exist
 * /
```

<X, K, V> MapJoin<X, K, V> joinMap(String attributeName,

JoinType jt);

#### **6.3.13** Root Interface

}

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## 6.3.14 Join Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.Attribute;
 * A join to an entity, embeddable, or basic type.
 * @param <X> the target type of the join
public interface Join<Z, X> extends From<Z, X> {
     \mbox{\scriptsize \star} Return the metamodel attribute corresponding to the join.
     \mbox{\ensuremath{^{\ast}}} @return metamodel attribute corresponding to the join
     * /
    Attribute<? super Z, ?> getAttribute();
    /**
     * Return the parent of the join.
     * @return join parent
    From<?, Z> getParent();
    /**
     * Return the join type.
     * @return join type
    JoinType getJoinType();
```

## 6.3.15 JoinType

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
/**
* Defines the three types of joins.
 * Right outer joins and right outer fetch joins are not required
 * to be supported in Java Persistence 2.0. Applications that use
 * RIGHT join types will not be portable.
public enum JoinType {
     * Inner join.
     * /
    INNER,
    /**
     * Left outer join.
     * /
    LEFT.
    /**
     * Right outer join.
    RIGHT
}
```

### 6.3.16 PluralJoin Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.PluralAttribute;
* The PluralJoin interface defines functionality
 * that is common to joins to all collection types. It is
 * not intended to be used directly in query construction.
 \star @param <Z> the source type
 * @param <C> the collection type
 * @param <E> the element type of the collection
public interface PluralJoin<Z, C, E> extends Join<Z, E> {
    /**
     * Return the metamodel representation for the collection-valued
     * attribute corresponding to the join.
     * @return metamodel collection-valued attribute corresponding
               to the target of the join
     * /
    PluralAttribute<? super Z, C, E> getModel();
}
```

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.util.Collection;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.CollectionAttribute;
 * The CollectionJoin interface is the type of the result of
 ^{\star} joining to a collection over an association or element
 * collection that has been specified as a java.util.Collection.
 * @param <Z> the source type of the join
 * @param <E> the element type of the target Collection
public interface CollectionJoin<Z, E>
         extends PluralJoin<Z, Collection<E>, E> {
    /**
     \mbox{\scriptsize \star} Return the metamodel representation for the collection
     * attribute.
     * @return metamodel type representing the Collection that is
                the target of the join
     * /
    CollectionAttribute<? super Z, E> getModel();
```

## **<u>6.3.18</u>** SetJoin Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.util.Set;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.SetAttribute;
/**
* The SetJoin interface is the type of the result of
 * joining to a collection over an association or element
 * collection that has been specified as a java.util.Set.
 * @param <E> the element type of the target Set
public interface SetJoin<Z, E> extends PluralJoin<Z, Set<E>, E> {
    /**
    * Return the metamodel representation for the set attribute.
     * @return metamodel type representing the Set that is
              the target of the join
     * /
   SetAttribute<? super Z, E> getModel();
}
```

#### 6.3.19 ListJoin Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.util.List;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.ListAttribute;
 * The ListJoin interface is the type of the result of
 \ensuremath{^{\star}} joining to a collection over an association or element
 * collection that has been specified as a java.util.List.
 * @param <Z> the source type of the join
 * @param <E> the element type of the target List
public interface ListJoin<Z, E> extends PluralJoin<Z, List<E>, E> {
     * Return the metamodel representation for the list attribute.
     \mbox{\ensuremath{^{\ast}}} @return metamodel type representing the List that is
               the target of the join
     * /
    ListAttribute<? super Z, E> getModel();
     * Create an expression that corresponds to the index of
     * the object in the referenced association or element
     * collection.
     * This method must only be invoked upon an object that
     * represents an association or element collection for
     * which an order column has been defined.
     * @return expression denoting the index
    Expression<Integer> index();
```

## 6.3.20 MapJoin Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;
import java.util.Map;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.MapAttribute;
 * The MapJoin interface is the type of the result of
 {}^{\star} joining to a collection over an association or element
 * collection that has been specified as a java.util.Map.
 * @param <Z> the source type of the join
 * @param <K> the type of the target Map key
 * @param <V> the type of the target Map value
public interface MapJoin<Z, K, V>
         extends PluralJoin<Z, Map<K, V>, V> {
    /**
     ^{\star} Return the metamodel representation for the map attribute.
     * @return metamodel type representing the Map that is
               the target of the join
     * /
    MapAttribute<? super Z, K, V> getModel();
     * Create a path expression that corresponds to the map key.
     * @return path corresponding to map key
    Path<K> key();
     * Create a path expression that corresponds to the map value.
     * This method is for stylistic use only: it just returns this.
     * @return path corresponding to the map value
     * /
    Path<V> value();
     * Create an expression that corresponds to the map entry.
     * @return expression corresponding to the map entry
    Expression<Map.Entry<K, V>> entry();
```

#### **6.3.21** Order Interface

```
package javax.persistence.criteria;

/**
    * An object that defines an ordering over the query results.
    */
public interface Order {

    /**
        * Switch the ordering.
        * @return a new Order instance with the reversed ordering
        */
        Order reverse();

    /**
        * Whether ascending ordering is in effect.
        * @return boolean indicating whether ordering is ascending
        */
        boolean isAscending();

    /**
        * Return the expression that is used for ordering.
        * @return expression used for ordering
        */
        Expression<?> getExpression();
}
```

## 6.3.22 ParameterExpression Interface

## 6.4 Criteria Query API Usage

The javax.persistence.criteria API interfaces are designed both to allow criteria queries to be constructed in a strongly-typed manner, using metamodel objects to provide type safety, and to allow for string-based use as an alternative:

- Metamodel objects are used to specify navigation through joins and through path expressions<sup>[69]</sup>. Typesafe navigation is achieved by specification of the source and target types of the navigation.
- Strings may be used as an alternative to metamodel objects, whereby joins and navigation are specified by use of strings that correspond to attribute names.

Using either the approach based on metamodel objects or the string-based approach, queries can be constructed both statically and dynamically. Both approaches are equivalent in terms of the range of queries that can be expressed and operational semantics.

Section 6.5 provides a description of the use of the criteria API interfaces. This section is illustrated on the basis of the construction of strongly-typed queries using static metamodel classes. Section 6.6 describes how the <code>javax.persistence.metamodel</code> API can be used to construct strongly-typed queries in the absence of such classes. String-based use of the criteria API is described in section 6.7.

## 6.5 Constructing Criteria Queries

A criteria query is constructed through the creation and modification of a javax.persistence.criteria.CriteriaQuery object.

The CriteriaBuilder interface is used to construct CriteriaQuery objects. The Criteria-Builder implementation is accessed through the getCriteriaBuilder method of the Entity-Manager or EntityManagerFactory interface.

For example:

```
...
@PersistenceUnit EntityManagerFactory emf;
CriteriaBuilder cb = emf.getCriteriaBuilder();
```

#### 6.5.1 CriteriaQuery Creation

A CriteriaQuery object is created by means of one of the createQuery methods or the createTupleQuery method of the CriteriaBuilder interface. A CriteriaQuery object is typed according to its expected result type when the CriteriaQuery object is created. A TypedQuery instance created from the CriteriaQuery object by means of the EntityManager createQuery method will result in instances of this type when the resulting query is executed.

<sup>[69]</sup> The attributes of these metamodel objects play a role analogous to that which would be played by member literals.

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The following methods are provided for the creation of CriteriaQuery objects:

```
<T> CriteriaQuery<T> createQuery(Class<T> resultClass);
CriteriaQuery<Tuple> createTupleQuery();
CriteriaQuery<Object> createQuery();
```

The methods <T> CriteriaQuery<T> createQuery(Class<T> resultClass) and createTupleQuery provide for typing of criteria query results and for typesafe query execution using the TypedQuery API.

The effect of the createTupleQuery method is semantically equivalent to invoking the createQuery method with the Tuple.class argument. The Tuple interface supports the extraction of multiple selection items in a strongly typed manner. See sections 3.8.3 and 3.8.4.

The CriteriaQuery<Object> createQuery() method supports both the case where the select or multiselect method specifies only a single selection item and where the multiselect method specifies multiple selection items. If only a single item is specified, an instance of type Object will be returned for each result of the query execution. If multiple selection items are specified, an instance of type Object[] will be instantiated and returned for each result of the execution.

See section 6.5.10, "Specifying the Select List" for further discussion of the specification of selection items.

#### 6.5.2 Query Roots

A CriteriaQuery object defines a query over one or more entity, embeddable, or basic abstract schema types. The root objects of the query are entities, from which the other types are reached by navigation. A query root plays a role analogous to that of a range variable in the Java Persistence query language and forms the basis for defining the domain of the query.

A query root is created and added to the query by use of the from method of the AbstractQuery interface (from which both the CriteriaQuery and Subquery interfaces inherit). The argument to the from method is the entity class or EntityType instance for the entity. The result of the from method is a Root object. The Root interface extends the From interface, which represents objects that may occur in the from clause of a query.

A query may have more than one root. The addition of a query root has the semantic effect of creating a cartesian product between the entity type referenced by the added root and those of the other roots.

The following query illustrates the definition of a query root. When executed, this query causes all instances of the Customer entity to be returned.

```
CriteriaBuilder cb = ...
CriteriaQuery<Customer> q = cb.createQuery(Customer.class);
Root<Customer> customer = q.from(Customer.class);
q.select(customer);
```

#### **6.5.3** Joins

The join methods of the From interface extend the query domain by creating a join with a related class that can be navigated to or that is an element of the given class of the query domain.

The target of the join is specified by the corresponding SingularAttribute or collection-valued attribute (CollectionAttribute, SetAttribute, ListAttribute, or MapAttribute) of the corresponding metamodel class. [70] [71]

The join methods may be applied to instances of the Root and Join types.

The result of a join method is a Join object (instance of the Join, CollectionJoin, SetJoin, ListJoin, or MapJoin types) that captures the source and target types of the join.

For example, given the Order entity and corresponding Order\_ metamodel class shown in section 6.2.1.2, a join to the lineItems of the order would be expressed as follows:

```
CriteriaQuery<Order> q = cb.createQuery(Order.class);
Root<Order> order = q.from(Order.class);
Join<Order, Item> item = order.join(Order_.lineItems);
q.select(order);
```

The argument to the join method, Order\_.lineItems, is of type javax.persistence.metamodel.SetAttribute<Order, Item>.

The join methods have the same semantics as the corresponding Java Persistence query language operations, as described in section 4.4.7.

#### **Example:**

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT c.name
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN o.lineItems i
WHERE i.product.productType = 'printer'
```

<sup>[70]</sup> Metamodel objects are used to specify typesafe nagivation through joins and through path expressions. These metamodel objects capture both the source and target types of the attribute through which navigation occurs, and are thus the mechanism by which typesafe navigation is achieved.

<sup>[71]</sup> Attribute names serve this role for string-based queries. See section 6.7.

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Joins can be chained, thus allowing this query to be written more concisely:

By default, the join method defines an inner join. Outer joins are defined by specifying a JoinType argument. Only left outer joins and left outer fetch joins are required to be supported in Java Persistence 2.0. Applications that make use of right outer joins or right outer fetch joins will not be portable.

The following query uses a left outer join:

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT c FROM Customer c LEFT JOIN c.orders o WHERE c.status = 1
```

#### 6.5.4 Fetch Joins

Fetch joins are specified by means of the fetch method. The fetch method specifies that the referenced association or attribute is to be fetched as a side effect of the execution of the query. The fetch method can be applied to a Root or Join instance.

An association or attribute referenced by the fetch method must be referenced from an entity or embeddable that is returned as the result of the query. A fetch join has the same join semantics as the corresponding inner or outer join, except that the related objects are not top-level objects in the query result and cannot be referenced elsewhere by the query. See Section 4.4.5.3.

The fetch method must not be used in a subquery.

Multiple levels of fetch joins are not required to be supported by an implementation of this specification. Applications that use multi-level fetch joins will not be portable.

#### **Example:**

```
CriteriaQuery<Department> q = cb.createQuery(Department.class);
Root<Department> d = q.from(Department.class);
d.fetch(Department_.employees, JoinType.LEFT);
q.where(cb.equal(d.get(Department_.deptno), 1)).select(d);
```

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT d
FROM Department d LEFT JOIN FETCH d.employees
WHERE d.deptno = 1
```

#### 6.5.5 Path Navigation

A Path instance can be a Root instance, a Join instance, a Path instance that has been derived from another Path instance by means of the get navigation method, or a Path instance derived from a map-valued association or element collection by use of the key or value method.

When a criteria query is executed, path navigation—like path navigation using the Java Persistence query language—is obtained using "inner join" semantics. That is, if the value of a non-terminal Path instance is null, the path is considered to have no value, and does not participate in the determination of the query result. See Section 4.4.4.

The get method is used for path navigation. The argument to the get method is specified by the corresponding SingularAttribute or collection-valued attribute (CollectionAttribute, SetAttribute, ListAttribute, or MapAttribute) of the corresponding metamodel class<sup>[72]</sup>.

#### Example 1:

In the following example, ContactInfo is an embeddable class consisting of an address and set of phones. Phone is an entity.

The following Java Persistence query language query is equivalent:

```
SELECT p.vendor
FROM Employee e JOIN e.contactInfo.phones p
WHERE e.contactInfo.address.zipcode = '95054'
```

#### Example 2:

In this example, the photos attribute corresponds to a map from photo label to filename. The map key is a string, the value an object. The result of this query will be returned as a Tuple object whose elements are of types String and Object. The multiselect method, described further in section 6.5.10, "Specifying the Select List", is used to specify that the query returns multiple selection items.

<sup>[72]</sup> Attribute names serve this role for string-based queries. See section 6.7.

```
CriteriaQuery<Tuple> q = cb.createTupleQuery();
Root<Item> item = q.from(Item.class);
MapJoin<Item, String, Object> photo = item.join(Item_.photos);
q.multiselect(item.get(Item_.name), photo)
   .where(cb.like(photo.key(), "%egret%"));
```

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT i.name, p
FROM Item i JOIN i.photos p
WHERE KEY(p) LIKE '%egret%'
```

#### 6.5.6 Restricting the Query Result

The result of a query can be restricted by specifying one or more predicate conditions. Restriction predicates are applied to the CriteriaQuery object by means of the where method. Invocation of the where method results in the modification of the CriteriaQuery object with the specified restriction(s).

The argument to the where method can be either an Expression<Boolean> instance or zero or more Predicate instances. A predicate can be either simple or compound.

A simple predicate is created by invoking one of the conditional methods of the CriteriaBuilder interface, or by the isNull, isNotNull, and in methods of the Expression interface. The semantics of the conditional methods—e.g., equal, notEqual, gt, ge, lt, le, between, and like— mirror those of the corresponding Java Persistence query language operators as described in Chapter 4.

Compound predicates are constructed by means of the and, or, and not methods of the Criteria-Builder interface.

The restrictions upon the types to which conditional operations are permitted to be applied are the same as the respective operators of the Java Persistence query language as described in subsections 4.6.7 through 4.6.17. The same null value semantics as described in section 4.11 and the subsections of section 4.6 apply. The equality and comparison semantics described in section 4.12 likewise apply.

#### Example 1:

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT t
FROM CreditCard c JOIN c.transactionHistory t
WHERE c.customer.accountNum = 321987 AND INDEX(t) BETWEEN 0 AND 9
```

#### Example 2:

```
CriteriaQuery<Order> q = cb.createQuery(Order.class);
Root<Order> order = q.from(Order.class);
q.where(cb.isEmpty(order.get(Order_.lineItems)))
    .select(order);
```

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT o
FROM Order o
WHERE o.lineItems IS EMPTY
```

#### 6.5.7 Expressions

An Expression or one of its subtypes can be used in the construction of the query's select list or in the construction of where or having method conditions.

Paths and boolean predicates are expressions.

Other expressions are created by means of the methods of the CriteriaBuilder interface. The CriteriaBuilder interface provides methods corresponding to the built-in arthmetic, string, datetime, and case operators and functions of the Java Persistence query language.

#### Example 1:

The following Java Persistence query language query is equivalent:

```
SELECT o.quantity, o.totalCost*1.08, a.zipcode FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN c.address a WHERE a.state = 'CA' AND a.county = 'Santa Clara'
```

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#### Example 2:

```
CriteriaQuery<Employee> q = cb.createQuery(Employee.class);
Root<Employee> emp = q.from(Employee.class);
q.select(emp)
.where(cb.notEqual(emp.type(), Exempt.class));
```

The type method can only be applied to a path expression. Its result denotes the type navigated to by the path.

The following Java Persistence query language query is equivalent:

```
SELECT e
FROM Employee e
WHERE TYPE(e) <> Exempt
```

#### Example 3:

The index method can be applied to a ListJoin object that corresponds to a list for which an order column has been specified. Its result denotes the position of the item in the list.

The following Java Persistence query language query is equivalent:

```
SELECT w.name
FROM Course c JOIN c.studentWaitlist w
WHERE c.name = 'Calculus'
AND INDEX(w) = 0
```

#### Example 4:

The aggregation methods avg, max, min, sum, count can only be used in the construction of the select list or in having method conditions.

The following Java Persistence query language query is equivalent:

```
SELECT SUM(i.price)
FROM Order o JOIN o.lineItems i JOIN o.customer c
WHERE c.lastName = 'Smith' AND c.firstName = 'John'
```

#### Example 5:

```
CriteriaQuery<Integer> q = cb.createQuery(Integer.class);
Root<Department> d = q.from(Department.class);
q.where(cb.equal(d.get(Department_.name), "Sales"))
    .select(cb.size(d.get(Department_.employees)));
```

The size method can be applied to a path expression that corresponds to an association or element collection. Its result denotes the number of elements in the association or element collection.

The following Java Persistence query language query is equivalent:

```
SELECT SIZE(d.employees)
FROM Department d
WHERE d.name = 'Sales'
```

#### Example 6:

Both simple and general case expressions are supported. The query below illustrates use of a general case expression.

The following Java Persistence query language query is equivalent:

```
SELECT e.name,

CASE WHEN e.rating = 1 THEN e.salary * 1.1

WHEN e.rating = 2 THEN e.salary * 1.2

ELSE e.salary * 1.01

END

FROM EMPLOYEE e

WHERE e.department.name = 'Engineering'
```

#### 6.5.7.1 Result Types of Expressions

The getJavaType method, as defined in the TupleElement interface, returns the runtime type of the object on which it is invoked.

In the case of the In, Case, SimpleCase, and Coalesce builder interfaces, the runtime results of the getJavaType method may differ from the Expression type and may vary as the expression is incrementally constructed. For non-numerical operands, the implementation must return the most specific common superclass of the types of the operands used to form the result.

In the case of the two-argument sum, prod, diff, quot, coalesce, and nullif methods, and the In, Case, SimpleCase, and Coalesce builder methods, the runtime result types will differ from the Expression type when the latter is Number. The following rules must be observed by the implementation when materializing the results of numeric expressions involving these methods. These rules correspond to those specified for the Java Persistence query language as defined in section 4.8.6.

- If there is an operand of type Double, the result of the operation is of type Double;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of type Float, the result of the operation is of type Float;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of type BigDecimal, the result of the operation is of type BigDecimal;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of type BigInteger, the result of the operation is of type BigInteger, unless the method is quot, in which case the numeric result type is not further defined;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of type Long, the result of the operation is of type Long, unless the method is quot, in which case the numeric result type is not further defined;
- otherwise, if there is an operand of integral type, the result of the operation is of type Integer, unless the method is quot, in which case the numeric result type is not further defined.

Users should note that the semantics of the SQL division operation are not standard across databases. In particular, when both operands are of integral types, the result of the division operation will be an integral type in some databases, and an non-integral type in others. Portable applications should not assume a particular result type.

#### 6.5.8 Literals

A Expression literal instance is obtained by passing a value to the literal method of the CriteriaBuilder interface. An Expression instance representing a null is created by the nullLiteral method of the CriteriaBuilder interface.

#### Example:

The following Java Persistence query language query is equivalent:

```
SELECT CASE WHEN fp.annualMiles > 50000 THEN 'Platinum'
WHEN fp.annualMiles > 25000 THEN 'Gold'
ELSE NULL
END
```

#### 6.5.9 Parameter Expressions

A ParameterExpression instance is an expression that corresponds to a parameter whose value will be supplied before the query is executed. Parameter expressions can only be used in the construction of conditional predicates.

#### **Example:**

```
CriteriaQuery<Customer> q = cb.createQuery(Customer.class);
Root<Customer> c = q.from(Customer.class);
ParameterExpression<Integer> param = cb.parameter(Integer.class);
q.select(c).where(cb.equal(c.get(Customer_.status), param));
```

If a name is supplied when the ParameterExpression instance is created, the parameter may also be treated as a named parameter when the guery is executed:

This is equivalent to the following query in the Java Persistence query language:

```
SELECT c
FROM Customer c
WHERE c.status = :stat
```

#### 6.5.10 Specifying the Select List

The select list of a query is specified by use of the select or multiselect methods of the CriteriaQuery interface. The arguments to the select and multiselect methods are Selection instances.

Portable applications should use the select or multiselect method to specify the query's selection list. Applications that do not use one of these methods will not be portable.

The select method takes a single Selection argument, which can be either an Expression instance or a CompoundSelection instance. The type of the Selection item must be assignable to the defined CriteriaQuery result type, as described in section 6.5.1.

The construct, tuple and array methods of the CriteriaBuilder interface are used to aggregate multiple selection items into a CompoundSelection instance.

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The multiselect method also supports the specification and aggregation of multiple selection items. When the multiselect method is used, the aggregation of the selection items is determined by the result type of the CriteriaQuery object as described in sections 6.5.1 and 6.3.3.

A Selection instance passed to the construct, tuple, array, or multiselect methods can be one of the following:

- An Expression instance.
- A Selection instance obtained as the result of the invocation of the CriteriaBuilder construct method.

The distinct method of the CriteriaQuery interface is used to specify that duplicate values must be eliminated from the query result. If the distinct method is not used or distinct(false) is invoked on the criteria query object, duplicate values are not eliminated. When distinct(true) is used, and the select items include embeddable objects or map entry results, the elimination of duplicates is undefined.

The semantics of the construct method used in the selection list is as described in section 4.8.2. The semantics of embeddables returned by the selection list are as described in section 4.8.4.

#### Example 1:

In the following example, videoInventory is a Map from the entity Movie to the number of copies in stock.

This query is equivalent to the following, in which the tuple method is used:

Both are equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT v.location.street, KEY(i).title, VALUE(i)
FROM VideoStore v JOIN v.videoInventory i
WHERE v.location.zipcode = '94301' AND VALUE(i) > 0
```

#### Example 2:

The following two queries are equivalent to the Java Persistence query language query above. Because the result type is not specified by the createQuery method, an Object[] is returned as a result of the query execution:

```
CriteriaQuery<Object> q = cb.createQuery();
Root<VideoStore> v = q.from(VideoStore.class);
MapJoin<VideoStore, Movie, Integer> inv =
              v.join(VideoStore_.videoInventory);
q.multiselect(v.get(VideoStore_.location).get(Address_.street),
              inv.key().get(Movie_.title),
              inv);
q.where(cb.equal(v.get(VideoStore_.location).get(Address_.zipcode),
                 "94301"),
        cb.gt(inv, 0));
Equivalently:
CriteriaQuery<Object> q = cb.createQuery();
Root<VideoStore> v = q.from(VideoStore.class);
MapJoin<VideoStore, Movie, Integer> inv =
              v.join(VideoStore_.videoInventory);
q.select(cb.array(v.get(VideoStore_.location).get(Address_.street),
                  inv.key().get(Movie_.title),
                  inv));
q.where(cb.equal(v.get(VideoStore_.location).get(Address_.zipcode),
                 "94301"),
        cb.gt(inv, 0));
```

#### Example 3:

The following example illustrates the specification of a constructor.

The following Java Persistence query language query is equivalent:

```
SELECT NEW com.acme.example.CustomerDetails(c.id, c.status, o.quantity)
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o
WHERE o.quantity > 100
```

#### 6.5.10.1 Assigning Aliases to Selection Items

The alias method of the Selection interface can be used to assign an alias to a selection item. The alias may then later be used to extract the corresponding item from the query result when the query is executed. The alias method assigns the given alias to the Selection item. Once assigned, the alias cannot be changed.

#### **Example:**

#### 6.5.11 Subqueries

Both correlated and non-correlated subqueries can be used in restriction predicates. A subquery is constructed through the creation and modification of a Subquery object.

A Subquery instance can be passed as an argument to the all, any, or some methods of the CriteriaBuilder interface for use in conditional expressions.

A Subquery instance can be passed to the CriteriaBuilder exists method to create a conditional predicate.

#### **Example 1: Non-correlated subquery**

The query below contains a non-correlated subquery. A non-correlated subquery does not reference objects of the query of which it is a subquery. In particular, Root, Join, and Path instances are not shared between the subquery and the criteria query instance of which it is a subquery.

```
// create criteria query instance, with root Customer
CriteriaQuery<Customer> q = cb.createQuery(Customer.class);
Root<Customer> goodCustomer = q.from(Customer.class);
// create subquery instance, with root Customer
// the Subquery object is typed according to its return type
Subquery<Double> sq = q.subquery(Double.class);
Root<Customer> customer = sq.from(Customer.class);
// the result of the first query depends on the subquery
q.where(cb.lt(
            goodCustomer.get(Customer_.balanceOwed),
            sq.select(cb.avg(customer.get(Customer_.balanceOwed)))));
q.select(goodCustomer);
This query corresponds to the following Java Persistence query language query.
SELECT goodCustomer
FROM Customer goodCustomer
WHERE goodCustomer.balanceOwed < (
  SELECT AVG(c.balanceOwed) FROM Customer c)
Example 2: Correlated subquery
// create CriteriaQuery instance, with root Employee
CriteriaQuery<Employee> q = cb.createQuery(Employee.class);
Root<Employee> emp = q.from(Employee.class);
// create Subquery instance, with root Employee
Subquery<Employee> sq = q.subquery(Employee.class);
Root<Employee> spouseEmp = sq.from(Employee.class);
// the subquery references the root of the containing query
sq.where(cb.equal(spouseEmp, emp.get(Employee_.spouse)))
  .select(spouseEmp);
// an exists condition is applied to the subquery result:
q.where(cb.exists(sq));
q.select(emp).distinct(true);
The above query corresponds to the following Java Persistence query language query.
SELECT DISTINCT emp
FROM Employee emp
WHERE EXISTS (
  SELECT spouseEmp
  FROM Employee spouseEmp
  WHERE spouseEmp = emp.spouse)
```

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#### Example 3: Subquery qualified by all()

```
// create CriteriaQuery instance, with root Employee
CriteriaQuery<Employee> q = cb.createQuery(Employee.class);
Root<Employee> emp = q.from(Employee.class);
// create Subquery instance, with root Manager
Subquery<BigDecimal> sq = q.subquery(BigDecimal.class);
Root<Manager> manager = sq.from(Manager.class);
sq.select(manager.get(Manager .salary));
sq.where(cb.equal(manager.get(Manager_.department),
                  emp.get(Employee_.department)));
// an all expression is applied to the subquery result
q.select(emp)
 .where(cb.gt(emp.get(Employee_.salary), cb.all(sq)));
This query corresponds to the following Java Persistence query language query:
SELECT emp
FROM Employee emp
WHERE emp.salary > ALL (
    SELECT m.salary
    FROM Manager m
    WHERE m.department = emp.department)
```

#### Example 4: A Special case

In order to express some correlated subqueries involving unidirectional relationships, it may be useful to correlate the domain of the subquery with the domain of the containing query. This is performed by using the correlate method of the Subquery interface.

#### For example:

```
CriteriaQuery<Customer> q = cb.createQuery(Customer.class);
Root<Customer> customer = q.from(Customer.class);
Subquery<Long> sq = q.subquery(Long.class);
Root<Customer> customerSub = sq.correlate(customer);
Join<Customer,Order> order = customerSub.join(Customer_.orders);
q.where(cb.gt(sq.select(cb.count(order)), 10))
    .select(customer);
```

This query corresponds to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT c
FROM Customer c
WHERE (SELECT COUNT(o) FROM c.orders o) > 10
```

Note that joins involving the derived subquery root do not affect the join conditions of the containing query. The following two query definitions thus differ in semantics:

```
CriteriaQuery<Order> q = cb.createQuery(Order.class);
Root<Order> order = q.from(Order.class);
Subquery<Integer> sq = q.subquery(Integer.class);
Root<Order> orderSub = sq.correlate(order);
Join<Order,Customer> customer = orderSub.join(Order_.customer);
Join<Customer,Account> account = customer.join(Customer_.accounts);
sq.select(account.get(Account_.balance));
q.where(cb.lt(cb.literal(10000), cb.all(sq)));
and
CriteriaQuery<Order> q = cb.createQuery(Order.class);
Root<Order> order = q.from(Order.class);
Join<Order,Customer> customer = order.join(Order_.customer);
Subquery<Integer> sq = q.subquery(Integer.class);
Join<Order,Customer> customerSub = sq.correlate(customer);
Join<Customer,Account> account =
                           customerSub.join(Customer .accounts);
sq.select(account.get(Account_.balance));
q.where(cb.lt(cb.literal(10000), cb.all(sq)));
```

The first of these queries will return orders that are not associated with customers, whereas the second will not. The corresponding Java Persistence query language queries are the following:

#### 6.5.12 GroupBy and Having

The groupBy method of the CriteriaQuery interface is used to define a partitioning of the query results into groups. The having method of the CriteriaQuery interface can be used to filter over the groups.

The arguments to the groupBy method are Expression instances.

When the groupBy method is used, each selection item that is not the result of applying an aggregate method must correspond to a path expression that is used for defining the grouping. Requirements on the types that correspond to the elements of the grouping and having constructs and their relationship to the select items are as specified in Section 4.7.

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#### **Example:**

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT c.status, AVG(c.filledOrderCount), COUNT(c) FROM Customer c GROUP BY c.status HAVING c.status IN (1, 2)
```

#### **6.5.13** Ordering the Query Results

The ordering of the results of a query is defined by use of the orderBy method of the Criteria-Query instance. The arguments to the orderBy method are Order instances.

An Order instance is created by means of the asc and desc methods of the CriteriaBuilder interface. An argument to either of these methods must be one of the following:

- Any Expression instance that corresponds to an orderable state field of an entity or
  embeddable class abstract schema type that is specified as an argument to the select or
  multiselect method or that is an argument to a tuple or array constructor that is passed as
  an argument to the select method.
- Any Expression instance that corresponds to the same state field of the same entity or
  embeddable abstract schema type as a Expression instance that is specified as an argument
  to the select or multiselect method or that is an argument to a tuple or array constructor that is passed as an argument to the select method.
- An Expression instance that is specified as an argument to the select or multiselect
  method or that is an argument to a tuple or array constructor that is passed as an argument to
  the select method or that is semantically equivalent to such an Expression instance.

If more than one Order instance is specified, the order in which they appear in the argument list of the orderBy method determines the precedence, whereby the first item has highest precedence.

SQL rules for the ordering of null values apply, as described in Section 4.9.

#### Example 1:

```
CriteriaQuery<Order> q = cb.createQuery(Order.class);
Root<Customer> c = q.from(Customer.class);
Join<Customer,Order> o = c.join(Customer_.orders);
Join<Customer,Address> a = c.join(Customer_.address);
q.where(cb.equal(a.get(Address_.state), "CA"));
q.select(o);
q.orderBy(cb.desc(o.get(Order_.quantity)),
           cb.asc(o.get(Order_.totalCost)));
This query corresponds to the following Java Persistence query language query:
SELECT o
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN c.address a
WHERE a.state = 'CA'
ORDER BY o.quantity DESC, o.totalcost
Example 2:
CriteriaQuery<Tuple> q = cb.createTupleQuery();
Root<Customer> c = q.from(Customer.class);
Join<Customer, Order> o = c.join(Customer_.orders);
Join<Customer, Address> a = c.join(Customer_.address);
q.where(cb.equal(a.get(Address_.state), "CA"));
q.orderBy(cb.asc(o.get(Order_.quantity)),
           cb.asc(a.get(Address_.zipcode)));
q.multiselect(o.get(Order_.quantity), a.get(Address_.zipcode));
This query corresponds to the following Java Persistence query language query:
SELECT o.quantity, a.zipcode
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN c.address a
WHERE a.state = 'CA'
ORDER BY o.quantity, a.zipcode
It can be equivalently expressed as follows:
CriteriaQuery<Tuple> q = cb.createTupleQuery();
Root<Customer> c = q.from(Customer.class);
Join<Customer, Order> o = c.join(Customer_.orders);
Join<Customer, Address> a = c.join(Customer_.address);
```

q.where(cb.equal(a.get(Address\_.state), "CA"));

cb.asc(a.get(Address\_.zipcode)));

q.select(cb.tuple(o.get(Order\_.quantity), a.get(Address\_.zipcode)));

q.orderBy(cb.asc(o.get(Order\_.quantity));

#### Example 3:

This guery corresponds to the following Java Persistence guery language guery:

```
SELECT o.quantity, o.totalCost * 1.08 AS taxedCost, a.zipcode FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN c.address a WHERE a.state = 'CA' AND a.county = 'Santa Clara' ORDER BY o.quantity, taxedCost, a.zipcode
```

# 6.6 Constructing Strongly-typed Queries using the javax.persistence.metamodel Interfaces

Strongly-typed queries can also be constructed, either statically or dynamically, in the absence of generated metamodel classes. The <code>javax.persistence.metamodel</code> interfaces are used to access the metamodel objects that correspond to the managed classes.

The following examples illustrate this approach. These are equivalent to the example queries shown in section 6.5.5.

The Metamodel interface is obtained from the EntityManager or EntityManagerFactory for the persistence unit, and then used to obtain the corresponding metamodel objects for the managed types referenced by the queries.

#### Example 1:

```
EntityManager em = ...;
Metamodel mm = em.getMetamodel();
EntityType<Employee> emp_ = mm.entity(Employee.class);
EmbeddableType<ContactInfo> cinfo_ =
                                mm.embeddable(ContactInfo.class);
EntityType<Phone> phone_ = mm.entity(Phone.class);
EmbeddableType<Address> addr_ = mm.embeddable(Address.class);
CriteriaQuery<Vendor> q = cb.createQuery(Vendor.class);
Root<Employee> emp = q.from(Employee.class);
Join<Employee, ContactInfo> cinfo =
    emp.join(emp_.getSingularAttribute("contactInfo",
                                         ContactInfo.class));
Join<ContactInfo, Phone> p =
    cinfo.join(cinfo_.getSingularAttribute("phones", Phone.class));
q.where(
    cb.equal(emp.get(emp .getSingularAttribute("contactInfo",
                                                 ContactInfo.class))
                 .get(cinfo_.getSingularAttribute("address",
                                                   Address.class))
                 .get(addr .getSingularAttribute("zipcode",
                                                  String.class)),
             "95054"))
  .select(p.get(phone_.getSingularAttribute("vendor", Vendor.class)));
Example 2:
EntityManager em = ...;
Metamodel mm = em.getMetamodel();
EntityType<Item> item_ = mm.entity(Item.class);
CriteriaQuery<Tuple> q = cb.createTupleQuery();
Root<Item> item = q.from(Item.class);
MapJoin<Item, String, Object> photo =
    item.join(item_.getMap("photos", String.class, Object.class));
q.multiselect(
    item.get(item_.getSingularAttribute("name", String.class)),
 .where(cb.like(photo.key(), "%egret%"));
```

## 6.7 Use of the Criteria API with Strings to Reference Attributes

The Criteria API provides the option of specifying the attribute references used in joins and navigation by attribute names used as arguments to the various join, fetch, and get methods.

The resulting queries have the same semantics as described in section 6.5, but do not provide the same level of type safety.

The examples in this section illustrate this approach. These examples are derived from among those of sections 6.5.3 and 6.5.5.

#### Example 1:

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT c.name
FROM Customer c JOIN c.orders o JOIN o.lineItems i
WHERE i.product.productType = 'printer'
```

It is not required that type parameters be used. However, their omission may result in compiler warnings, as with the below version of the same query:

#### Example 2:

The following query uses an outer join:

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT c FROM Customer c LEFT JOIN c.orders o WHERE c.status = 1
```

#### Example 3:

In the following example, ContactInfo is an embeddable class consisting of an address and set of phones. Phone is an entity.

WHERE e.contactInfo.address.zipcode = '95054'

#### Example 4:

In this example, the photos attribute corresponds to a map from photo label to filename. The map key is a string, the value an object.

```
CriteriaQuery<Object> q = cb.createQuery();
Root<Item> item = q.from(Item.class);
MapJoin<Item, String, Object> photo = item.joinMap("photos");
q.multiselect(item.get("name"), photo)
   .where(cb.like(photo.key(), "%egret%"));
```

This query is equivalent to the following Java Persistence query language query:

```
SELECT i.name, p
FROM Item i JOIN i.photos p
WHERE KEY(p) LIKE '%egret%'
```

## 6.8 Query Modification

A CriteriaQuery object may be modified, either before or after TypedQuery objects have been created and executed from it. For example, such modification may entail replacement of the where predicate or the select list. Modifications may thus result in the same CriteriaQuery "base" being reused for several query instances.

For example, the user might create and execute a query from the following CriteriaQuery object:

```
CriteriaQuery<Customer> q = cb.createQuery(Customer.class);
Root<Customer> c = q.from(Customer.class);
Predicate pred =
     cb.equal(c.get(Customer_.address).get(Address_.city), "Chicago");
q.select(c);
q.where(pred);
```

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The CriteriaQuery object might then be modified to reflect a different predicate condition, for example:

```
Predicate pred2 =
    cb.gt(c.get(Customer_.balanceOwed), 1000);
q.where(pred2);
```

Note, however, that query elements—in this example, predicate conditions—are dependent on the CriteriaQuery instance, and are thus not portably reusable with different CriteriaQuery instances.

## 6.9 Query Execution

A criteria query is executed by passing the CriteriaQuery object to the createQuery method of the EntityManager interface to create a TypedQuery object, which can then be passed to one of the query execution methods of the TypedQuery interface.

A CriteriaQuery object may be further modified after a TypedQuery object has been created from it. The modification of the CriteriaQuery object does not have any impact on the already created TypedQuery object. If the modified CriteriaQuery object is passed to the createQuery method, the persistence provider must insure that a new TypedQuery object is created and returned that reflects the semantics of the changed query definition.

CriteriaQuery objects must be serializable. A persistence vendor is required to support the subsequent descrialization of a CriteriaQuery object into a separate JVM instance of that vendor's runtime, where both runtime instances have access to any required vendor implementation classes. CriteriaQuery objects are not required to be interoperable across vendors.

# **Entity Managers and Persistence Contexts**

## 7.1 Persistence Contexts

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.

In Java EE environments, a JTA transaction typically involves calls across multiple components. Such components may often need to access the same persistence context within a single transaction. To facilitate such use of entity managers in Java EE environments, when an entity manager is injected into a component or looked up directly in the JNDI naming context, its persistence context will automatically be propagated with the current JTA transaction, and the EntityManager references that are mapped to the same persistence unit will provide access to this same persistence context within the JTA transaction. This propagation of persistence context by the Java EE container avoids the need for the application to pass references to EntityManager instances from one component to another. An entity manager for which the container manages the persistence context in this manner is termed a *container-managed entity manager*. A container-managed entity manager's lifecycle is managed by the Java EE container.

Obtaining an EntityManager

In less common use cases within Java EE environments, applications may need to access a persistence context that is "stand-alone"—i.e. not propagated along with the JTA transaction across the EntityManager references for the given persistence unit. Instead, each instance of creating an entity manager causes a new isolated persistence context to be created that is not accessible through other EntityManager references within the same transaction. These use cases are supported through the createEnti-tyManager methods of the EntityManagerFactory interface. An entity manager that is used by the application to create and destroy a persistence context in this manner is termed an application-managed entity manager. An application-managed entity manager's lifecycle is managed by the application.

Both container-managed entity managers and application-managed entity managers and their persistence contexts are required to be supported in Java EE web containers and EJB containers. Within an EJB environment, container-managed entity managers are typically used.

In Java SE environments and in Java EE application client containers, only application-managed entity managers are required to be supported<sup>[73]</sup>.

## 7.2 Obtaining an EntityManager

The entity manager for a persistence context is obtained from an entity manager factory.

When container-managed entity managers are used (in Java EE environments), the application does not interact with the entity manager factory. The entity managers are obtained directly through dependency injection or from JNDI, and the container manages interaction with the entity manager factory transparently to the application.

When application-managed entity managers are used, the application must use the entity manager factory to manage the entity manager and persistence context lifecycle.

An entity manager must not be shared among multiple concurrently executing threads, as the entity manager and persistence context are not required to be threadsafe. Entity managers must only be accessed in a single-threaded manner.

#### 7.2.1 Obtaining an Entity Manager in the Java EE Environment

A container-managed entity manager is obtained by the application through dependency injection or through direct lookup of the entity manager in the JNDI namespace. The container manages the persistence context lifecycle and the creation and the closing of the entity manager instance transparently to the application.

The PersistenceContext annotation is used for entity manager injection. The type element specifies whether a transaction-scoped or extended persistence context is to be used, as described in section 7.6. The unitName element may optionally be specified to designate the persistence unit whose factory is used by the container. (See section 10.4.2).

<sup>[73]</sup> Note that the use of JTA is not required to be supported in application client containers.

For example,

```
@PersistenceContext
EntityManager em;
@PersistenceContext(type=PersistenceContextType.EXTENDED)
EntityManager orderEM;
```

The JNDI lookup of an entity manager is illustrated below:

#### 7.2.2 Obtaining an Application-managed Entity Manager

An application-managed entity manager is obtained by the application from an entity manager factory.

The EntityManagerFactory API used to obtain an application-managed entity manager is the same independent of whether this API is used in Java EE or Java SE environments.

## 7.3 Obtaining an Entity Manager Factory

The EntityManagerFactory interface is used by the application to create an application-managed entity manager<sup>[74]</sup>.

Each entity manager factory provides entity manager instances that are all configured in the same manner (e.g., configured to connect to the same database, use the same initial settings as defined by the implementation, etc.)

More than one entity manager factory instance may be available simultaneously in the JVM. [75]

Methods of the EntityManagerFactory interface are threadsafe.

<sup>[74]</sup> It may also be used internally by the Java EE container. See section 7.9.

<sup>[75]</sup> This may be the case when using multiple databases, since in a typical configuration a single entity manager only communicates with a single database. There is only one entity manager factory per persistence unit, however.

EntityManagerFactory Interface

#### 7.3.1 Obtaining an Entity Manager Factory in a Java EE Container

Within a Java EE environment, an entity manager factory may be injected using the Persistence—Unit annotation or obtained through JNDI lookup. The unitName element may optionally be specified to designate the persistence unit whose factory is used. (See section 10.4.2).

For example,

```
@PersistenceUnit
EntityManagerFactory emf;
```

## 7.3.2 Obtaining an Entity Manager Factory in a Java SE Environment

Outside a Java EE container environment, the javax.persistence.Persistence class is the bootstrap class that provides access to an entity manager factory. The application creates an entity manager factory by calling the createEntityManagerFactory method of the javax.persistence.Persistence class, described in section 9.6.

For example,

```
EntityManagerFactory emf =
    javax.persistence.Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("Order");
EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();
```

## 7.4 EntityManagerFactory Interface

The EntityManagerFactory interface is used by the application to obtain an application-managed entity manager. When the application has finished using the entity manager factory, and/or at application shutdown, the application should close the entity manager factory. Once an entity manager factory has been closed, all its entity managers are considered to be in the closed state.

The EntityManagerFactory interface provides access to information and services that are global to the persistence unit. This includes access to the second level cache that is maintained by the persistence provider and to the PersistenceUnitUtil interface. The Cache interface is described in section 7.10; the PersistenceUnitUtil interface in section 7.11.

```
package javax.persistence;
import java.util.Set;
import java.util.Map;
import javax.persistence.metamodel.Metamodel;
import javax.persistence.criteria.CriteriaBuilder;
 * Interface used to interact with the entity manager factory
 * for the persistence unit.
 * /
public interface EntityManagerFactory {
     * Create a new application-managed EntityManager.
     * This method returns a new EntityManager instance each time
     * it is invoked.
     * The isOpen method will return true on the returned instance.
     * @return entity manager instance
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager factory
     * has been closed
     * /
    public EntityManager createEntityManager();
     * Create a new application-managed EntityManager with the
     * specified Map of properties.
     * This method returns a new EntityManager instance each time
     * it is invoked.
     * The isOpen method will return true on the returned instance.
     * @param map properties for entity manager
     * @return entity manager instance
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager factory
     * has been closed
    public EntityManager createEntityManager(Map map);
     * Return an instance of CriteriaBuilder for the creation of
     * CriteriaQuery objects.
     * @return CriteriaBuilder instance
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager factory
     * has been closed
    public CriteriaBuilder getCriteriaBuilder();
     * Return an instance of Metamodel interface for access to the
     * metamodel of the persistence unit.
     * @return Metamodel instance
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager factory
     * has been closed
    public Metamodel getMetamodel();
```

```
* Indicates whether the factory is open. Returns true
     * until the factory has been closed.
    * @return boolean indicating whether the factory is open
   public boolean isOpen();
    / * *
    * Close the factory, releasing any resources that it holds.
     * After a factory instance has been closed, all methods invoked
     * on it will throw the IllegalStateException, except for isOpen,
     * which will return false. Once an EntityManagerFactory has
     * been closed, all its entity managers are considered to be
     * in the closed state.
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager factory
     * has been closed
   public void close();
     * Get the properties and associated values that are in effect
    * for the entity manager factory. Changing the contents of the
    * map does not change the configuration in effect.
    * @return properties
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager factory
     * has been closed
   public Map<String, Object> getProperties();
    * Access the cache that is associated with the entity manager
    * factory (the "second level cache").
    * @return instance of the Cache interface
     * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager factory
     * has been closed
   public Cache getCache();
     * Return interface providing access to utility methods
    * for the persistence unit.
    * @return PersistenceUnitUtil interface
    * @throws IllegalStateException if the entity manager factory
    * has been closed
   public PersistenceUnitUtil getPersistenceUnitUtil();
}
```

Any number of vendor-specific properties may be included in the map passed to the createEntity-Manager method. Properties that are not recognized by a vendor must be ignored.

Vendors should use vendor namespaces for properties (e.g., com.acme.persistence.logging). Entries that make use of the namespace javax.persistence and its subnamespaces must not be used for vendor-specific information. The namespace javax.persistence is reserved for use by this specification.

# 7.5 Controlling Transactions

Depending on the transactional type of the entity manager, transactions involving EntityManager operations may be controlled either through JTA or through use of the resource-local EntityTransaction API, which is mapped to a resource transaction over the resource that underlies the entities managed by the entity manager.

An entity manager whose underlying transactions are controlled through JTA is termed a *JTA entity manager*.

An entity manager whose underlying transactions are controlled by the application through the EntityTransaction API is termed a *resource-local entity manager*.

A container-managed entity manager must be a JTA entity manager. JTA entity managers are only specified for use in Java EE containers.

An application-managed entity manager may be either a JTA entity manager or a resource-local entity manager.

An entity manager is defined to be of a given transactional type—either JTA or resource-local—at the time its underlying entity manager factory is configured and created. See sections 8.2.1.2 and 9.1.

Both JTA entity managers and resource-local entity managers are required to be supported in Java EE web containers and EJB containers. Within an EJB environment, a JTA entity manager is typically used. In general, in Java SE environments only resource-local entity managers are supported.

## 7.5.1 JTA EntityManagers

An entity manager whose transactions are controlled through JTA is a JTA entity manager. A JTA entity manager participates in the current JTA transaction, which is begun and committed external to the entity manager and propagated to the underlying resource manager.

# 7.5.2 Resource-local EntityManagers

An entity manager whose transactions are controlled by the application through the EntityTransaction API is a resource-local entity manager. A resource-local entity manager transaction is mapped to a resource transaction over the resource by the persistence provider. Resource-local entity managers may use server or local resources to connect to the database and are unaware of the presence of JTA transactions that may or may not be active.

## 7.5.3 The EntityTransaction Interface

The EntityTransaction interface is used to control resource transactions on resource-local entity managers. The EntityManager.getTransaction() method returns an instance of the EntityTransaction interface.

When a resource-local entity manager is used, and the persistence provider runtime throws an exception defined to cause transaction rollback, the persistence provider must mark the transaction for rollback.

If the EntityTransaction.commit operation fails, the persistence provider must roll back the transaction.

```
package javax.persistence;
/**
 * Interface used to control transactions on resource-local
 * entity managers.
public interface EntityTransaction {
     /**
      * Start a resource transaction.
      * @throws IllegalStateException if isActive() is true
     public void begin();
      * Commit the current resource transaction, writing any
      * unflushed changes to the database.
      * @throws IllegalStateException if isActive() is false
      * @throws RollbackException if the commit fails
     public void commit();
      ^{\star} Roll back the current resource transaction.
      * @throws IllegalStateException if isActive() is false
      * @throws PersistenceException if an unexpected error
                condition is encountered
      * /
     public void rollback();
      * Mark the current resource transaction so that the only
      \ensuremath{^{\star}} possible outcome of the transaction is for the transaction
      * to be rolled back.
      * @throws IllegalStateException if isActive() is false
      * /
     public void setRollbackOnly();
      * Determine whether the current resource transaction has been
      * marked for rollback.
      * @return boolean indicating whether the transaction has been
                marked for rollback
      * @throws IllegalStateException if isActive() is false
      * /
     public boolean getRollbackOnly();
```

```
/**
  * Indicate whether a resource transaction is in progress.
  * @return boolean indicating whether transaction is
  * in progress
  * @throws PersistenceException if an unexpected error
  * condition is encountered
  */
  public boolean isActive();
}
```

# **7.5.4 Example**

The following example illustrates the creation of an entity manager factory in a Java SE environment, and its use in creating and using a resource-local entity manager.

```
import javax.persistence.*;
public class PasswordChanger {
    public static void main (String[] args) {
         EntityManagerFactory emf =
              Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("Order");
         EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();
         em.getTransaction().begin();
         User user = (User)em.createQuery
            ("SELECT u FROM User u WHERE u.name=:name AND
u.pass=:pass")
            .setParameter("name", args[0])
            .setParameter("pass", args[1])
            .getSingleResult();
         if (user!=null)
             user.setPassword(args[2]);
         em.getTransaction().commit();
         em.close();
         emf.close();
```

# 7.6 Container-managed Persistence Contexts

When a container-managed entity manager is used, the lifecycle of the persistence context is always managed automatically, transparently to the application, and the persistence context is propagated with the JTA transaction.

A container-managed persistence context may be defined to have either a lifetime that is scoped to a single transaction or an extended lifetime that spans multiple transactions, depending on the PersistenceContextType that is specified when its entity manager is created. This specification refers to such persistence contexts as *transaction-scoped persistence contexts* and *extended persistence contexts* respectively.

The lifetime of the persistence context is declared using the PersistenceContext annotation or the persistence-context-ref deployment descriptor element. By default, a transaction-scoped persistence context is used.

Sections 7.6.1 and 7.6.2 describe transaction-scoped and extended persistence contexts in the absence of persistence context propagation. Persistence context propagation is described in section 7.6.3.

Persistence contexts are always associated with an entity manager factory. In the following sections, "the persistence context" should be understood to mean "the persistence context associated with a particular entity manager factory".

## 7.6.1 Container-managed Transaction-scoped Persistence Context

The application can obtain a container-managed entity manager with transaction-scoped persistence context bound to the JTA transaction by injection or direct lookup in the JNDI namespace. The persistence context type for the entity manager is defaulted or defined as PersistenceContext-Type.TRANSACTION.

A new persistence context begins when the container-managed entity manager is invoked<sup>[76]</sup> in the scope of an active JTA transaction, and there is no current persistence context already associated with the JTA transaction. The persistence context is created and then associated with the JTA transaction.

The persistence context ends when the associated JTA transaction commits or rolls back, and all entities that were managed by the EntityManager become detached.

If the entity manager is invoked outside the scope of a transaction, any entities loaded from the database will immediately become detached at the end of the method call.

## 7.6.2 Container-managed Extended Persistence Context

A container-managed extended persistence context can only be initiated within the scope of a stateful session bean. It exists from the point at which the stateful session bean that declares a dependency on an entity manager of type PersistenceContextType.EXTENDED is created, and is said to be *bound* to the stateful session bean. The dependency on the extended persistence context is declared by means of the PersistenceContext annotation or persistence-context-ref deployment descriptor element.

The persistence context is closed by the container when the @Remove method of the stateful session bean completes (or the stateful session bean instance is otherwise destroyed).

<sup>[76]</sup> Specifically, when one of the methods of the EntityManager interface is invoked.

## 7.6.2.1 Inheritance of Extended Persistence Context

If a stateful session bean instantiates a stateful session bean (executing in the same EJB container instance) which also has such an extended persistence context, the extended persistence context of the first stateful session bean is inherited by the second stateful session bean and bound to it, and this rule recursively applies—independently of whether transactions are active or not at the point of the creation of the stateful session beans.

If the persistence context has been inherited by any stateful session beans, the container does not close the persistence context until all such stateful session beans have been removed or otherwise destroyed.

# 7.6.3 Persistence Context Propagation

As described in section 7.1, a single persistence context may correspond to one or more JTA entity manager instances (all associated with the same entity manager factory<sup>[77]</sup>).

The persistence context is propagated across the entity manager instances as the JTA transaction is propagated.

Propagation of persistence contexts only applies within a local environment. Persistence contexts are not propagated to remote tiers.

# 7.6.3.1 Requirements for Persistence Context Propagation

Persistence contexts are propagated by the container across component invocations as follows.

If a component is called and there is no JTA transaction or the JTA transaction is not propagated, the persistence context is not propagated.

- If an entity manager is then invoked from within the component:
  - Invocation of an entity manager defined with PersistenceContext-Type.TRANSACTION will result in use of a new persistence context (as described in section 7.6.1).
  - Invocation of an entity manager defined with PersistenceContext— Type.EXTENDED will result in the use of the existing extended persistence context bound to that component.
  - If the entity manager is invoked within a JTA transaction, the persistence context will be bound to the JTA transaction.

If a component is called and the JTA transaction is propagated into that component:

- If the component is a stateful session bean to which an extended persistence context has been bound and there is a different persistence context bound to the JTA transaction, an EJBException is thrown by the container.
- Otherwise, if there is a persistence context bound to the JTA transaction, that persistence context is propagated and used.

<sup>[77]</sup> Entity manager instances obtained from different entity manager factories never share the same persistence context.

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# **7.6.4** Examples

# 7.6.4.1 Container-managed Transaction-scoped Persistence Context

```
@Stateless
public class ShoppingCartImpl implements ShoppingCart {
    @PersistenceContext EntityManager em;
    public Order getOrder(Long id) {
         Order order = em.find(Order.class, id);
         order.getLineItems();
         return order;
    public Product getProduct(String name) {
        return (Product) em.createQuery("select p from Product p
where p.name = :name")
             .setParameter("name", name)
             .getSingleResult();
    public LineItem createLineItem(Order order, Product product, int
quantity) {
      LineItem li = new LineItem(order, product, quantity);
      order.getLineItems().add(li);
      em.persist(li);
      return li;
}
```

# 7.6.4.2 Container-managed Extended Persistence Context

```
^{\star} An extended transaction context is used. The entities remain
 \mbox{\scriptsize \star} managed in the persistence context across multiple transactions.
 * /
@Stateful
@Transaction(REQUIRES_NEW)
public class ShoppingCartImpl implements ShoppingCart {
    @PersistenceContext(type=EXTENDED)
    EntityManager em;
    private Order order;
    private Product product;
    public void initOrder(Long id) {
         order = em.find(Order.class, id);
    public void initProduct(String name) {
         product = (Product) em.createQuery("select p from Product p
where p.name = :name")
              .setParameter("name", name)
              .getSingleResult();
    public LineItem createLineItem(int quantity) {
         LineItem li = new LineItem(order, product, quantity);
         order.getLineItems().add(li);
         em.persist(li);
         return li;
}
```

Application-managed Persistence Contexts

# 7.7 Application-managed Persistence Contexts

When an application-managed entity manager is used, the application interacts directly with the persistence provider's entity manager factory to manage the entity manager lifecycle and to obtain and destroy persistence contexts.

All such application-managed persistence contexts are extended in scope, and can span multiple transactions.

The EntityManagerFactory.createEntityManager method and the EntityManager close and isOpen methods are used to manage the lifecycle of an application-managed entity manager and its associated persistence context.

The extended persistence context exists from the point at which the entity manager has been created using EntityManagerFactory.createEntityManager until the entity manager is closed by means of EntityManager.close.

An extended persistence context obtained from the application-managed entity manager is a stand-alone persistence context—it is not propagated with the transaction.

When a JTA application-managed entity manager is used, if the entity manager is created outside the scope of the current JTA transaction, it is the responsibility of the application to associate the entity manager with the transaction (if desired) by calling EntityManager.joinTransaction. If the entity manager is created outside the scope of a JTA transaction, it is not associated with the transaction unless EntityManager.joinTransaction is called.

The EntityManager.close method closes an entity manager to release its persistence context and other resources. After calling close, the application must not invoke any further methods on the EntityManager instance except for getTransaction and isOpen, or the IllegalState-Exception will be thrown. If the close method is invoked when a transaction is active, the persistence context remains managed until the transaction completes.

The EntityManager.isOpen method indicates whether the entity manager is open. The isOpen method returns true until the entity manager has been closed.

# 7.7.1 Examples

# 7.7.1.1 Application-managed Persistence Context used in Stateless Session Bean

```
* Container-managed transaction demarcation is used.
 * The session bean creates and closes an entity manager
 * in each business method.
@Stateless
public class ShoppingCartImpl implements ShoppingCart {
    @PersistenceUnit
    private EntityManagerFactory emf;
    public Order getOrder(Long id) {
         EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();
         Order order = em.find(Order.class, id);
         order.getLineItems();
         em.close();
         return order;
    public Product getProduct() {
         EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();
         Product product = (Product) em.createQuery("select p from
Product p where p.name = :name")
             .setParameter("name", name)
              .getSingleResult();
         em.close();
         return product;
    }
    public LineItem createLineItem(Order order, Product product, int
quantity) {
         EntityManager em = emf.createEntityManager();
         LineItem li = new LineItem(order, product, quantity);
         order.getLineItems().add(li);
         em.persist(li);
         em.close();
         return li; // remains managed until JTA transaction ends
```

## 7.7.1.2 Application-managed Persistence Context used in Stateless Session Bean

```
* Container-managed transaction demarcation is used.
 * The session bean creates entity manager in PostConstruct
 * method and clears persistence context at the end of each
 * business method.
 * /
@Stateless
public class ShoppingCartImpl implements ShoppingCart {
    @PersistenceUnit
    private EntityManagerFactory emf;
    private EntityManager em;
    @PostConstruct
    public void init()
         em = emf.createEntityManager();
    public Order getOrder(Long id) {
         Order order = em.find(Order.class, id);
         order.getLineItems();
         em.clear(); // entities are detached
         return order;
    public Product getProduct() {
         Product product = (Product) em.createQuery("select p from
Product p where p.name = :name")
              .setParameter("name", name)
              .getSingleResult();
         em.clear();
         return product;
    public LineItem createLineItem(Order order, Product product, int
quantity) {
         em.joinTransaction();
         LineItem li = new LineItem(order, product, quantity);
         order.getLineItems().add(li);
         em.persist(li);
         // persistence context is flushed to database;
         // all updates will be committed to database on tx commit
         em.flush();
         // entities in persistence context are detached
         em.clear();
         return li;
    @PreDestroy
    public void destroy()
         em.close();
}
```

## 7.7.1.3 Application-managed Persistence Context used in Stateful Session Bean

```
* Container-managed transaction demarcation is used.
 * Entities remain managed until the entity manager is closed.
@Stateful
public class ShoppingCartImpl implements ShoppingCart {
    @PersistenceUnit
    private EntityManagerFactory emf;
    private EntityManager em;
    private Order order;
    private Product product;
    @PostConstruct
    public void init() {
         em = emf.createEntityManager();
    public void initOrder(Long id) {
         order = em.find(Order.class, id);
    public void initProduct(String name) {
         product = (Product) em.createQuery("select p from Product p
where p.name = :name")
             .setParameter("name", name)
              .getSingleResult();
    }
    public LineItem createLineItem(int quantity) {
         em.joinTransaction();
         LineItem li = new LineItem(order, product, quantity);
         order.getLineItems().add(li);
         em.persist(li);
         return li;
    }
    @Remove
    public void destroy() {
         em.close();
}
```

# 7.7.1.4 Application-managed Persistence Context with Resource Transaction

```
// Usage in an ordinary Java class
public class ShoppingImpl {
    private EntityManager em;
    private EntityManagerFactory emf;
    public ShoppingCart() {
         emf = Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory("orderMgt");
         em = emf.createEntityManager();
    private Order order;
    private Product product;
    public void initOrder(Long id) {
         order = em.find(Order.class, id);
    public void initProduct(String name) {
         product = (Product) em.createQuery("select p from Product p
where p.name = :name")
              .setParameter("name", name)
              .getSingleResult();
    }
    public LineItem createLineItem(int quantity) {
         em.getTransaction().begin();
         LineItem li = new LineItem(order, product, quantity);
         order.getLineItems().add(li);
         em.persist(li);
         em.getTransaction().commit();
         return li;
    }
    public void destroy() {
         em.close();
         emf.close();
}
```

# 7.8 Requirements on the Container

# 7.8.1 Application-managed Persistence Contexts

When application-managed persistence contexts are used, the container must instantiate the entity manager factory and expose it to the application via JNDI. The container might use internal APIs to create the entity manager factory, or it might use the PersistenceProvider.createContainerEntityManagerFactory method. However, the container is required to support third-party persistence providers, and in this case the container must use the PersistenceProvider.createContainerEntityManagerFactory method to create the entity manager factory and the EntityManagerFactory.close method to destroy the entity manager factory prior to shutdown (if it has not been previously closed by the application).

## 7.8.2 Container Managed Persistence Contexts

The container is responsible for managing the lifecycle of container-managed persistence contexts, for injecting EntityManager references into web components and session bean and message-driven bean components, and for making EntityManager references available to direct lookups in JNDI.

When operating with a third-party persistence provider, the container uses the contracts defined in section 7.9 to create and destroy container-managed persistence contexts. It is undefined whether a new entity manager instance is created for every persistence context, or whether entity manager instances are sometimes reused. Exactly how the container maintains the association between persistence context and JTA transaction is not defined.

If a persistence context is already associated with a JTA transaction, the container uses that persistence context for subsequent invocations within the scope of that transaction, according to the semantics for persistence context propagation defined in section 7.6.3.

# 7.9 Runtime Contracts between the Container and Persistence Provider

This section describes contracts between the container and the persistence provider for the pluggability of third-party persistence providers. Containers are required to support these pluggability contracts.<sup>[78]</sup>

## 7.9.1 Container Responsibilities

For the management of a transaction-scoped persistence context, if there is no EntityManager already associated with the JTA transaction:

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<sup>[78]</sup> It is not required that these contracts be used when a third-party persistence provider is not used: the container might use these same APIs or its might use its own internal APIs.

- The container creates a new entity manager by calling EntityManagerFactory.createEntityManager when the first invocation of an entity manager with Persistence-ContextType.TRANSACTION occurs within the scope of a business method executing in the JTA transaction.
- After the JTA transaction has completed (either by transaction commit or rollback), The container closes the entity manager by calling EntityManager.close. [79]

The container must throw the TransactionRequiredException if a transaction-scoped persistence context is used, and the EntityManager persist, remove, merge, or refresh method is invoked when no transaction is active.

For stateful session beans with extended persistence contexts:

- The container creates an entity manager by calling EntityManagerFactory.createEntityManager when a stateful session bean is created that declares a dependency on an entity manager with PersistenceContextType.EXTENDED. (See section 7.6.2).
- The container closes the entity manager by calling EntityManager.close after the stateful session bean and all other stateful session beans that have inherited the same persistence context as the entity manager have been removed.
- When a business method of the stateful session bean is invoked, if the stateful session bean uses container managed transaction demarcation, and the entity manager is not already associated with the current JTA transaction, the container associates the entity manager with the current JTA transaction and calls EntityManager.joinTransaction. If there is a different persistence context already associated with the JTA transaction, the container throws the EJBException.
- When a business method of the stateful session bean is invoked, if the stateful session bean uses bean managed transaction demarcation and a UserTransaction is begun within the method, the container associates the persistence context with the JTA transaction and calls EntityManager.joinTransaction.

The container must throw the IllegalStateException if the application calls EntityManager.close on a container-managed entity manager.

When the container creates an entity manager, it may pass a map of properties to the persistence provider by using the EntityManagerFactory.createEntityManager(Map map) method. If properties have been specified in the PersistenceContext annotation or the persistence-context-ref deployment descriptor element, this method must be used and the map must include the specified properties.

If the application invokes EntityManager.unwrap(Class<T> cls), and the container cannot satisfy the request, the container must delegate the unwrap invocation to the provider's entity manager instance.

<sup>[79]</sup> The container may choose to pool EntityManagers: it instead of creating and closing in each case, it may acquire one from its pool and call clear() on it.

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# 7.9.2 Provider Responsibilities

The Provider has no knowledge of the distinction between transaction-scoped and extended persistence contexts. It provides entity managers to the container when requested and registers for transaction synchronization notifications.

- When EntityManagerFactory.createEntityManager is invoked, the provider must create and return a new entity manager. If a JTA transaction is active, the provider must register for synchronization notifications against the JTA transaction.
- When EntityManager.joinTransaction is invoked, the provider must register for synchronization notifications against the current JTA transaction if a previous joinTransaction invocation for the transaction has not already been processed.
- When the JTA transaction commits, the provider must flush all modified entity state to the database.
- When the JTA transaction rolls back, the provider must detach all managed entities.
- When the provider throws an exception defined to cause transaction rollback, the provider must mark the transaction for rollback.
- When EntityManager.close is invoked, the provider should release all resources that it may have allocated after any outstanding transactions involving the entity manager have completed. If the entity manager was already in a closed state, the provider must throw the IllegalStateException.
- When EntityManager.clear is invoked, the provider must detach all managed entities.

# 7.10 Cache Interface

The Cache interface provides basic functionality over the persistence provider's second level cache, if used.

```
package javax.persistence;
 * Interface used to interact with the second-level cache.
 {}^{\star} If a cache is not in use, the methods of this interface have
 \mbox{\scriptsize *} no effect, except for contains, which returns false.
public interface Cache {
    /**
     * Whether the cache contains data for the given entity.
     * @param cls entity class
     * @param primaryKey primary key
     * @return boolean indicating whether the entity is in the cache
    public boolean contains(Class cls, Object primaryKey);
     * Remove the data for the given entity from the cache.
     * @param cls entity class
     * @param primaryKey primary key
    public void evict(Class cls, Object primaryKey);
     * Remove the data for entities of the specified class (and its
     * subclasses) from the cache.
     * @param cls entity class
    public void evict(Class cls);
     * Clear the cache.
    public void evictAll();
```

# 7.11 PersistenceUnitUtil Interface

The PersistenceUnitUtil interface provides access to utility methods that can be invoked on entities associated with the persistence unit. The behavior is undefined if these methods are invoked on an entity instance that is not associated with the persistence unit from whose entity manager factory this interface has been obtained.

```
package javax.persistence;
 * Utility interface between the application and the persistence
  provider managing the persistence unit.
 * The methods of this interface should only be invoked on entity
 * instances obtained from or managed by entity managers for this
  persistence unit or on new entity instances.
public interface PersistenceUnitUtil extends PersistenceUtil {
    / * *
     * Determine the load state of a given persistent attribute
     * of an entity belonging to the persistence unit.
     * @param entity entity instance containing the attribute
     * @param attributeName name of attribute whose load state is
              to be determined
     * @return false if entity's state has not been loaded or if
               the attribute state has not been loaded, else true
     * /
    public boolean isLoaded(Object entity, String attributeName);
     * Determine the load state of an entity belonging to the
     * persistence unit.
     * This method can be used to determine the load state
     * of an entity passed as a reference. An entity is
     * considered loaded if all attributes for which FetchType
     * EAGER has been specified have been loaded.
      The isLoaded(Object, String) method should be used to
     * determine the load state of an attribute.
     * Not doing so might lead to unintended loading of state.
     * @param entity entity whose load state is to be determined
     * @return false if the entity has not been loaded, else true
    public boolean isLoaded(Object entity);
        Return the id of the entity.
        A generated id is not quaranteed to be available until after
        the database insert has occurred.
        Returns null if the entity does not yet have an id.
        @param entity entity instance
        @return id of the entity
        @throws IllegalArgumentException if the object is found not
                to be an entity
    public Object getIdentifier(Object entity);
}
```

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# Chapter 8 Entity Packaging

This chapter describes the packaging of persistence units.

# **8.1** Persistence Unit

A persistence unit is a logical grouping that includes:

- An entity manager factory and its entity managers, together with their configuration information.
- The set of managed classes included in the persistence unit and managed by the entity managers of the entity manager factory.
- Mapping metadata (in the form of metadata annotations and/or XML metadata) that specifies the mapping of the classes to the database.

Within Java EE environments, an EJB-JAR, WAR, EAR, or application client JAR can define a persistence unit. Any number of persistence units may be defined within these scopes.

A persistence unit may be packaged within one or more jar files contained within a WAR or EAR, as a set of classes within an EJB-JAR file or in the WAR classes directory, or as a combination of these as defined below.

A persistence unit is defined by a persistence.xml file. The jar file or directory whose META-INF directory contains the persistence.xml file is termed the *root* of the persistence unit. In Java EE environments, the root of a persistence unit must be one of the following:

- an EJB-JAR file
- the WEB-INF/classes directory of a WAR file [80]
- a jar file in the WEB-INF/lib directory of a WAR file
- a jar file in the EAR library directory
- an application client jar file

It is not required that an EJB-JAR or WAR file containing a persistence unit be packaged in an EAR unless the persistence unit contains persistence classes in addition to those contained within the EJB-JAR or WAR. See Section 8.2.1.6.

NOTE: Java Persistence 1.0 supported use of a jar file in the root of the EAR as the root of a persistence unit. This use is no longer supported. Portable applications should use the EAR library directory for this case instead. See [9].

A persistence unit must have a name. Only one persistence unit of any given name must be defined within a single EJB-JAR file, within a single WAR file, within a single application client jar, or within an EAR. See Section 8.2.2, "Persistence Unit Scope".

The persistence.xml file may be used to designate more than one persistence unit within the same scope.

All persistence classes defined at the level of the Java EE EAR must be accessible to other Java EE components in the application—i.e. loaded by the application classloader—such that if the same entity class is referenced by two different Java EE components (which may be using different persistence units), the referenced class is the same identical class.

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<sup>[80]</sup> The root of the persistence unit is the WEB-INF/classes directory; the persistence.xml file is therefore contained in the WEB-INF/classes/META-INF directory.

In Java SE environments, the metadata mapping files, jar files, and classes described in the following sections can be used. To insure the portability of a Java SE application, it is necessary to explicitly list the managed persistence classes that are included in the persistence unit using the class element of the persistence.xml file. See Section 8.2.1.6.

# 8.2.1 persistence.xml file

A persistence.xml file defines a persistence unit. The persistence.xml file is located in the META-INF directory of the root of the persistence unit. It may be used to specify managed persistence classes included in the persistence unit, object/relational mapping information for those classes, and other configuration information for the persistence unit and for the entity manager(s) and entity manager factory for the persistence unit. This information may be defined by containment or by reference, as described below.

The object/relational mapping information can take the form of annotations on the managed persistence classes included in the persistence unit, an orm.xml file contained in the META-INF directory of the root of the persistence unit, one or more XML files on the classpath and referenced from the persistence.xml file, or a combination of these.

The managed persistence classes may either be contained within the root of the persistence unit; or they may be specified by reference—i.e., by naming the classes, class archives, or XML mapping files (which in turn reference classes) that are accessible on the application classpath; or they may be specified by some combination of these means. See Section 8.2.1.6.

The root element of the persistence.xml file is the persistence element. The persistence element consists of one or more persistence—unit elements.

The persistence-unit element consists of the name and transaction-type attributes and the following sub-elements: description, provider, jta-data-source, non-jta-data-source, mapping-file, jar-file, class, exclude-unlisted-classes, shared-cache-mode, validation-mode, and properties.

The name attribute is required; the other attributes and elements are optional. Their semantics are described in the following subsections.

## Examples:

```
<persistence>
    <persistence-unit name="OrderManagement">
         <description>
        This unit manages orders and customers.
        It does not rely on any vendor-specific features and can
        therefore be deployed to any persistence provider.
        </description>
         <jta-data-source>jdbc/MyOrderDB</jta-data-source>
         <mapping-file>ormap.xml</mapping-file>
        <jar-file>MyOrderApp.jar</jar-file>
        <class>com.widgets.Order</class>
        <class>com.widgets.Customer</class>
    </persistence-unit>
</persistence>
<persistence>
    <persistence-unit name="OrderManagement2">
         <description>
        This unit manages inventory for auto parts.
        It depends on features provided by the
        com.acme.persistence implementation.
         </description>
         om.acme.AcmePersistence
         <jta-data-source>jdbc/MyPartDB</jta-data-source>
         <mapping-file>ormap2.xml</mapping-file>
         <jar-file>MyPartsApp.jar</jar-file>
         cproperties>
             cproperty
                name="com.acme.persistence.sql-logging"
                value="on"/>
        </properties>
    </persistence-unit>
</persistence>
```

#### 8.2.1.1 name

The name attribute defines the name for the persistence unit. This name may be used to identify a persistence unit referred to by the PersistenceContext and PersistenceUnit annotations and in the programmatic API for creating an entity manager factory.

## 8.2.1.2 transaction-type

The transaction-type attribute is used to specify whether the entity managers provided by the entity manager factory for the persistence unit must be JTA entity managers or resource-local entity managers. The value of this element is JTA or RESOURCE\_LOCAL. A transaction-type of JTA assumes that a JTA data source will be provided—either as specified by the jta-data-source element or provided by the container. In general, in Java EE environments, a transaction-type of RESOURCE\_LOCAL assumes that a non-JTA datasource will be provided. In a Java EE environment, if this element is not specified, the default is JTA. In a Java SE environment, if this element is not specified, the default is RESOURCE\_LOCAL.

# 8.2.1.3 description

The description element provides optional descriptive information about the persistence unit.

## **8.2.1.4** provider

The provider element specifies the name of the persistence provider's javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceProvider class. The provider element is optional, but should be specified if the application is dependent upon a particular persistence provider being used.

# 8.2.1.5 jta-data-source, non-jta-data-source

In Java EE environments, the jta-data-source and non-jta-data-source elements are used to specify the global JNDI name of the JTA and/or non-JTA data source to be used by the persistence provider. If neither is specified, the deployer must specify a JTA data source at deployment or a JTA data source must be provided by the container, and a JTA EntityManagerFactory will be created to correspond to it.

These elements name the data source in the local environment; the format of these names and the ability to specify the names are product specific.

In Java SE environments, these elements may be used or the data source information may be specified by other means—depending upon the requirements of the provider.

# 8.2.1.6 mapping-file, jar-file, class, exclude-unlisted-classes

The following classes must be implicitly or explicitly denoted as managed persistence classes to be included within a persistence unit: entity classes; embeddable classes; mapped superclasses.

The set of managed persistence classes that are managed by a persistence unit is defined by using one or more of the following:<sup>[81]</sup>

- Annotated managed persistence classes contained in the root of the persistence unit (unless the exclude-unlisted-classes element is specified)
- One or more object/relational mapping XML files
- One or more jar files that will be searched for classes
- An explicit list of classes

The set of entities managed by the persistence unit is the union of these sources, with the mapping metadata annotations (or annotation defaults) for any given class being overridden by the XML mapping information file if there are both annotations as well as XML mappings for that class. The minimum portable level of overriding is at the level of the persistent field or property.

The classes and/or jars that are named as part of a persistence unit must be on the classpath; referencing them from the persistence.xml file does not cause them to be placed on the classpath.

<sup>[81]</sup> Note that an individual class may be used in more than one persistence unit.

All classes must be on the classpath to ensure that entity managers from different persistence units that map the same class will be accessing the same identical class.

#### 8.2.1.6.1 Annotated Classes in the Root of the Persistence Unit

All classes contained in the root of the persistence unit are searched for annotated managed persistence classes—classes with the Entity, Embeddable, or MappedSuperclass annotation—and any mapping metadata annotations found on these classes will be processed, or they will be mapped using the mapping annotation defaults. If it is not intended that the annotated persistence classes contained in root of the persistence unit be included in the persistence the exclude-unlisted-classes element must be specified as true. The exclude-unlisted-classes element is not intended for use in Java SE environments.

#### 8.2.1.6.2 Object/relational Mapping Files

An object/relational mapping XML file contains mapping information for the classes listed in it.

A object/relational mapping XML file named orm.xml may be specified in the META-INF directory in the root of the persistence unit or in the META-INF directory of any jar file referenced by the persistence.xml. Alternatively, or in addition, one or more mapping files may be referenced by the mapping-file elements of the persistence-unit element. These mapping files may be present anywhere on the class path.

An orm.xml mapping file or other mapping file is loaded as a resource by the persistence provider. If a mapping file is specified, the classes and mapping information specified in the mapping file will be used as described in Chapter 12. If multiple mapping files are specified (possibly including one or more orm.xml files), the resulting mappings are obtained by combining the mappings from all of the files. The result is undefined if multiple mapping files (including any orm.xml file) referenced within a single persistence unit contain overlapping mapping information for any given class. The object/relational mapping information contained in any mapping file referenced within the persistence unit must be disjoint at the class-level from object/relational mapping information contained in any other such mapping file.

#### 8.2.1.6.3 Jar Files

One or more JAR files may be specified using the jar-file elements instead of, or in addition to the mapping files specified in the mapping-file elements. If specified, these JAR files will be searched for managed persistence classes, and any mapping metadata annotations found on them will be processed, or they will be mapped using the mapping annotation defaults defined by this specification. Such JAR files are specified relative to the directory or jar file that *contains*<sup>[82]</sup> the root of the persistence unit.<sup>[83]</sup>

The following examples illustrate the use of the <code>jar-file</code> element to reference additional persistence classes. These examples use the convention that a jar file with a name terminating in "PUnit" contains the <code>persistence.xml</code> file and that a jar file with a name terminating in "Entities" contains additional persistence classes.

<sup>[82]</sup> This semantics applies to persistence.xml files written to the persistence 2\_0.xsd schema as required by the Java Persistence 2.0 specification. Due to ambiguity in the Java Persistence 1.0 specification, provider-specific interpretation of the relative references used by this element may apply to earlier versions.

<sup>[83]</sup> Persistence providers are encouraged to support this syntax for use in Java SE environments.

```
Example 1:
app.ear
    lib/earEntities.jar
    earRootPUnit.jar (with META-INF/persistence.xml )
persistence.xml contains:
    <jar-file>lib/earEntities.jar</jar-file>
Example 2:
app.ear
    lib/earEntities.jar
    lib/earLibPUnit.jar (with META-INF/persistence.xml )
persistence.xml contains:
    <jar-file>earEntities.jar</jar-file>
Example 3:
app.ear
    lib/earEntities.jar
    ejbjar.jar (with META-INF/persistence.xml )
persistence.xml contains:
    <jar-file>lib/earEntities.jar</jar-file>
Example 4:
app.ear
    war1.war
        WEB-INF/lib/warEntities.jar
        WEB-INF/lib/warPUnit.jar (with META-INF/persistence.xml)
persistence.xml contains:
    <jar-file>warEntities.jar</jar-file>
Example 5:
app.ear
    war2.war
        WEB-INF/lib/warEntities.jar
```

WEB-INF/classes/META-INF/persistence.xml

```
persistence.xml contains:
```

```
<jar-file>lib/warEntities.jar</jar-file>
```

#### Example 6:

```
app.ear
    lib/earEntities.jar
    war2.war
     WEB-INF/classes/META-INF/persistence.xml
persistence.xml contains:
    <jar-file>../../lib/earEntities.jar</jar-file>
```

### Example 7:

```
app.ear
    lib/earEntities.jar
    war1.war
     WEB-INF/lib/warPUnit.jar (with META-INF/persistence.xml )
persistence.xml contains:
    <jar-file>../../lib/earEntities.jar</jar-file>
```

# 8.2.1.6.4 List of Managed Classes

A list of named managed persistence classes may be specified instead of, or in addition to, the JAR files and mapping files. Any mapping metadata annotations found on these classes will be processed, or they will be mapped using the mapping annotation defaults. The class element is used to list a managed persistence class.

A list of all named managed persistence classes must be specified in Java SE environments to insure portability. Portable Java SE applications should not rely on the other mechanisms described here to specify the managed persistence classes of a persistence unit. Persistence providers may require that the set of entity classes and classes that are to be managed must be fully enumerated in each of the persistence.xml files in Java SE environments.

## 8.2.1.7 shared-cache-mode

The shared-cache-mode element determines whether second-level caching is in effect for the persistence unit. See section 3.7.1.

# 8.2.1.8 validation-mode

The validation-mode element determines whether automatic lifecycle event time validation is in effect. See section 3.6.1.1.

## 8.2.1.9 properties

The properties element is used to specify both standard and vendor-specific properties and hints that apply to the persistence unit and its entity manager factory configuration.

The following properties and hints defined by this specification are intended for use in both Java EE and Java SE environments:

- javax.persistence.lock.timeout value in milliseconds for pessimistic lock timeout. This is a hint only.
- javax.persistence.query.timeout value in milliseconds for query timeout. This is a hint only.
- javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-persist— groups that are targeted for validation upon the pre-persist event (overrides the default behavior).
- javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-update— groups that are targeted for validation upon the pre-update event (overrides the default behavior).
- javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-remove— groups that are targeted for validation upon the pre-remove event (overrides the default behavior).

The following properties defined by this specification are intended for use in Java SE environments.

- javax.persistence.jdbc.driver fully qualified name of the driver class
- javax.persistence.jdbc.url driver-specific URL
- javax.persistence.jdbc.user username used by database connection
- javax.persistence.jdbc.password password for database connection validation

If a persistence provider does not recognize a property (other than a property defined by this specification), the provider must ignore it.

Vendors should use vendor namespaces for properties (e.g., com.acme.persistence.logging). Entries that make use of the namespace javax.persistence and its subnamespaces must not be used for vendor-specific information. The namespace javax.persistence is reserved for use by this specification.

## **8.2.1.10** Examples

The following are sample contents of a persistence.xml file.

## Example 1:

```
<persistence-unit name="OrderManagement"/>
```

A persistence unit named OrderManagement is created.

Any annotated managed persistence classes found in the root of the persistence unit are added to the list of managed persistence classes. If a META-INF/orm.xml file exists, any classes referenced by it and mapping information contained in it are used as specified above. Because no provider is specified, the persistence unit is assumed to be portable across providers. Because the transaction type is not specified, JTA is assumed for Java EE environments. The container must provide the data source (it may be specified at application deployment, for example). In Java SE environments, the data source may be specified by other means and a transaction type of RESOURCE\_LOCAL is assumed.

## Example 2:

A persistence unit named OrderManagement2 is created. Any annotated managed persistence classes found in the root of the persistence unit are added to the list of managed persistence classes. The mappings.xml resource exists on the classpath and any classes and mapping information contained in it are used as specified above. If a META-INF/orm.xml file exists, any classes and mapping information contained in it are used as well. The transaction type, data source, and provider are as described above.

### Example 3:

A persistence unit named OrderManagement3 is created. Any annotated managed persistence classes found in the root of the persistence unit are added to the list of managed persistence classes. If a META-INF/orm.xml file exists, any classes and mapping information contained in it are used as specified above. The order.jar and order-supplemental.jar files are searched for managed persistence classes and any annotated managed persistence classes found in them and/or any classes specified in the orm.xml files of these jar files are added. The transaction-type, data source and provider are as described above.

A persistence unit named OrderManagement4 is created. The file order-mappings.xml is read as a resource and any classes referenced by it and mapping information contained in it are used. The annotated Order, Customer and Item classes are loaded and are added. No (other) classes contained in the root of the persistence unit are added to the list of managed persistence classes. The persistence unit assumed to be portable across providers. A entity manager factory supplying resource-local entity managers will be created. The data source jdbc/MyDB must be used.

#### Example 5:

A persistence unit named OrderManagement5 is created. Any annotated managed persistence classes found in the root of the persistence unit are added to the list of managed classes. The order1.xml and order2.xml files are read as resources and any classes referenced by them and mapping information contained in them are also used as specified above. The order.jar is a jar file on the classpath containing another persistence unit, while order-supplemental.jar is just a library of classes. Both of these jar files are searched for annotated managed persistence classes and any annotated managed persistence classes found in them and any classes specified in the orm.xml files (if any) of these jar files are added. The provider com.acme.AcmePersistence must be used.

Note that the persistence.xml file contained in order.jar is not used to augment the persistence unit OrderManagement5 with the classes of the persistence unit whose root is order.jar.

# **8.2.2** Persistence Unit Scope

An EJB-JAR, WAR, application client jar, or EAR can define a persistence unit.

When referencing a persistence unit using the unitName annotation element or persistence-unit-name deployment descriptor element, the visibility scope of the persistence unit is determined by its point of definition:

- A persistence unit that is defined at the level of an EJB-JAR, WAR, or application client jar is scoped to that EJB-JAR, WAR, or application jar respectively and is visible to the components defined in that jar or war.
- A persistence unit that is defined at the level of the EAR is generally visible to all components in the application. However, if a persistence unit of the same name is defined by an EJB-JAR, WAR, or application jar file within the EAR, the persistence unit of that name defined at EAR level will not be visible to the components defined by that EJB-JAR, WAR, or application jar file unless the persistence unit reference uses the persistence unit name # syntax to specify a path name to disambiguate the reference. When the # syntax is used, the path name is relative to the referencing application component jar file. For example, the syntax . . /lib/persistenceUnitRoot.jar#myPersistenceUnit refers to a persistence unit whose name, as specified in the name element of the persistence.xml file, is myPersistenceUnit and for which the relative path name of the root of the persistence unit is . . /lib/persistenceUnitRoot.jar. The # syntax may be used with both the unitName annotation element or persistence-unit-name deployment descriptor element to reference a persistence unit defined at EAR level.

# 8.3 persistence.xml Schema

This section provides the XML schema for the persistence.xml file.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!-- persistence.xml schema -->
<xsd:schema targetNamespace="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence"</pre>
 xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema'
 xmlns:persistence="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence"
  elementFormDefault="qualified"
 attributeFormDefault="unqualified"
 version="2.0">
  <xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:documentation>
     @(#)persistence_2_0.xsd 1.0 October 1 2009
   </xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation><![CDATA[</pre>
    This is the XML Schema for the persistence configuration file.
    The file must be named "META-INF/persistence.xml" in the
    persistence archive.
    Persistence configuration files must indicate
    the persistence schema by using the persistence namespace:
    http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence
    and indicate the version of the schema by
    using the version element as shown below:
     <persistence xmlns="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence"</pre>
       xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
       xsi:schemaLocation="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence
         http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence/persistence_2_0.xsd"
       version="2.0">
     </persistence>
   ]]></xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
  <xsd:simpleType name="versionType">
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:pattern value="[0-9]+(\.[0-9]+)*"/>
   </xsd:restriction>
  </xsd:simpleType>
  <!-- **********************************
  <xsd:element name="persistence">
   <xsd:complexType>
     <xsd:sequence>
       <xsd:element name="persistence-unit"</pre>
                    minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="unbounded">
         <xsd:complexType>
           <xsd:annotation>
```

<xsd:documentation>

```
Configuration of a persistence unit.
 </xsd:documentation>
</xsd:annotation>
<xsd:sequence>
<xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string"</pre>
            minOccurs="0">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      Description of this persistence unit.
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
 </xsd:element>
 <xsd:element name="provider" type="xsd:string"</pre>
           minOccurs="0">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      Provider class that supplies EntityManagers for this
      persistence unit.
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
 </xsd:element>
 <xsd:element name="jta-data-source" type="xsd:string"</pre>
            minOccurs="0">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      The container-specific name of the JTA datasource to use.
    </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
 </xsd:element>
 <xsd:element name="non-jta-data-source" type="xsd:string"</pre>
            minOccurs="0">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
     The container-specific name of a non-JTA datasource to use.
    </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
 </xsd:element>
 <xsd:element name="mapping-file" type="xsd:string"</pre>
            minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
```

```
File containing mapping information. Loaded as a resource
      by the persistence provider.
    </xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
</xsd:element>
<xsd:element name="jar-file" type="xsd:string"</pre>
            minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded">
  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation>
      Jar file that is to be scanned for managed classes.
    </xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
</xsd:element>
<xsd:element name="class" type="xsd:string"</pre>
            minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded">
  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation>
      Managed class to be included in the persistence unit and
      to scan for annotations. It should be annotated
      with either @Entity, @Embeddable or @MappedSuperclass.
    </xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
</xsd:element>
<xsd:element name="exclude-unlisted-classes" type="xsd:boolean"</pre>
            default="true" minOccurs="0">
  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation>
      When set to true then only listed classes and jars will
      be scanned for persistent classes, otherwise the
      enclosing jar or directory will also be scanned.
      Not applicable to Java SE persistence units.
    </xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
</xsd:element>
<xsd:element name="shared-cache-mode"</pre>
            type="persistence:persistence-unit-caching-type"
            minOccurs="0">
  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation>
      Defines whether caching is enabled for the
      persistence unit if caching is supported by the
      persistence provider. When set to ALL, all entities
      will be cached. When set to NONE, no entities will
      be cached. When set to ENABLE_SELECTIVE, only entities
      specified as cacheable will be cached. When set to
```

```
DISABLE_SELECTIVE, entities specified as not cacheable
                  will not be cached. When not specified or when set to
                  UNSPECIFIED, provider defaults may apply.
                </xsd:documentation>
              </xsd:annotation>
             </xsd:element>
             <xsd:element name="validation-mode"</pre>
                        type="persistence:persistence-unit-valida-
tion-mode-type"
                        minOccurs="0">
              <xsd:annotation>
                <xsd:documentation>
                  The validation mode to be used for the persistence unit.
                </xsd:documentation>
              </xsd:annotation>
             </xsd:element>
            <xsd:element name="properties" minOccurs="0">
              <xsd:annotation>
                <xsd:documentation>
                  A list of standard and vendor-specific properties
                  and hints.
                </xsd:documentation>
              </xsd:annotation>
              <xsd:complexType>
                <xsd:sequence>
                  <xsd:element name="property"</pre>
                             minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded">
                    <xsd:annotation>
                      <xsd:documentation>
                       A name-value pair.
                      </xsd:documentation>
                    </xsd:annotation>
                    <xsd:complexType>
                      <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"</pre>
                                   use="required"/>
                      <xsd:attribute name="value" type="xsd:string"</pre>
                                   use="required"/>
                    </xsd:complexType>
                  </xsd:element>
                </xsd:sequence>
              </xsd:complexType>
            </xsd:element>
           </xsd:sequence>
           <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required">
             <xsd:annotation>
              <xsd:documentation>
                Name used in code to reference this persistence unit.
              </xsd:documentation>
```

```
</xsd:annotation>
          </xsd:attribute>
          <xsd:attribute name="transaction-type"</pre>
                       type="persistence:persistence-unit-transac-
tion-type">
            <xsd:annotation>
              <xsd:documentation>
               Type of transactions used by EntityManagers from this
               persistence unit.
              </xsd:documentation>
            </xsd:annotation>
          </xsd:attribute>
         </xsd:complexType>
       </xsd:element>
     </xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:attribute name="version" type="persistence:versionType"</pre>
                  fixed="2.0" use="required"/>
   </xsd:complexType>
  </xsd:element>
  <xsd:simpleType name="persistence-unit-transaction-type">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       public enum PersistenceUnitTransactionType {JTA, RESOURCE_LOCAL};
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:enumeration value="JTA"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="RESOURCE_LOCAL"/>
   </xsd:restriction>
  </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:simpleType name="persistence-unit-caching-type">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      public enum SharedCacheMode { ALL, NONE, ENABLE_SELECTIVE,
DISABLE_SELECTIVE, UNSPECIFIED);
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:enumeration value="ALL"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="NONE"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="ENABLE_SELECTIVE"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="DISABLE_SELECTIVE"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="UNSPECIFIED"/>
   </xsd:restriction>
  </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:simpleType name="persistence-unit-validation-mode-type">
   <xsd:annotation>
```

persistence.xml Schema

# Chapter 9 Container and Provider Contracts for Deployment and Bootstrapping

This chapter defines requirements on the Java EE container and on the persistence provider for deployment and bootstrapping.

# 9.1 Java EE Deployment

Each persistence unit deployed into a Java EE container consists of a single persistence.xml file, any number of mapping files, and any number of class files.

At deployment time the container is responsible for scanning the locations specified in Section 8.2 and discovering the persistence.xml files and processing them.

When the container finds a persistence.xml file, it must process the persistence unit definitions that it contains. The container must validate the persistence.xml file against the persistence\_2\_0.xsd or persistence\_1\_0.xsd schema in accordance with the version specified by the persistence.xml file and report any validation errors. Provider or data source information not specified in the persistence.xml file must be provided at deployment time or defaulted by the container. The container may optionally add any container-specific properties to be passed to the provider when creating the entity manager factory for the persistence unit.

Once the container has read the persistence metadata, it determines the javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceProvider implementation class for each deployed named persistence unit. The container then creates an instance of the PersistenceProvider implementation class for each deployed named persistence unit and invokes the createContainerEntityManagerFactory method on that instance.

- The container must implement the PersistenceUnitInfo interface described in section 9.5 and pass the metadata—in the form of a PersistenceUnitInfo instance—to the persistence provider as part of this call.
- If a Bean Validation provider exists in the container environment and the validation-mode NONE is not specified, a ValidatorFactory instance must be made available by the container. The container is responsible for passing this ValidatorFactory instance via the map that is passed as an argument to the createContainerEntityManagerFactory call. The map key used must be the standard property name javax.persistence.validation.factory.

The EntityManagerFactory instance obtained as a result will be used by the container to create container-managed entity managers. Only one EntityManagerFactory is permitted to be created for each deployed persistence unit configuration. Any number of EntityManager instances may be created from a given factory.

In a Java EE environment, the classes of the persistence unit should not be loaded by the application class loader or any of its parent class loaders until after the entity manager factory for the persistence unit has been created.

When a persistence unit is redeployed, the container should call the close method on the previous EntityManagerFactory instance and call the createContainerEntityManagerFactory method again, with the required PersistenceUnitInfo metadata, to achieve the redeployment.

# 9.2 Bootstrapping in Java SE Environments

In Java SE environments, the Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory method is used by the application to create an entity manager factory [84].

<sup>[84]</sup> Use of these Java SE bootstrapping APIs may be supported in Java EE containers; however, support for such use is not required.

A persistence provider implementation running in a Java SE environment should also act as a service provider by supplying a service provider configuration file as described in the JAR File Specification [6].

The provider configuration file serves to export the provider implementation class to the Persistence bootstrap class, positioning the provider as a candidate for backing named persistence units. The provider supplies the provider configuration file by creating a text file named javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceProvider and placing it in the META-INF/services directory of one of its JAR files. The contents of the file should be the name of the provider implementation class of the javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceProvider interface.

#### **Example:**

A persistence vendor called ACME persistence products ships a JAR called acme.jar that contains its persistence provider implementation. The JAR includes the provider configuration file.

```
acme.jar
    META-INF/services/javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceProvider
    com.acme.PersistenceProvider
```

The contents of the META-INF/services/javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceProvider file is nothing more than the name of the implementation class: com.acme.PersistenceProvider.

Persistence provider jars may be installed or made available in the same ways as other service providers, e.g. as extensions or added to the application classpath according to the guidelines in the JAR File Specification.

The Persistence bootstrap class must locate all of the persistence providers using the PersistenceProviderResolver mechanism described in section 9.3 and call createEntityManagerFactory on them in turn until an appropriate backing provider returns an EntityManagerFactory instance. A provider may deem itself as appropriate for the persistence unit if any of the following are true:

- Its implementation class has been specified in the provider element for that persistence unit in the persistence.xml file.
- The javax.persistence.provider property was included in the Map passed to createEntityManagerFactory and the value of the property is the provider's implementation class.
- No provider was specified for the persistence unit in either the persistence.xml or the property map.

If a provider does not qualify as the provider for the named persistence unit, it must return null when createEntityManagerFactory is invoked on it.

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## 9.3 Determining the Available Persistence Providers

The PersistenceProviderResolver and PersistenceProviderResolverHolder mechanism supports the dynamic discovery of persistence providers.<sup>[85]</sup>

The PersistenceProviderResolver instance is responsible for returning the list of providers available in the environment.

The PersistenceProviderResolverHolder class holds the PersistenceProviderResolver instance that is in use. The implementation of PersistenceProviderResolver-Holder must be threadsafe, but no guarantee is made against multiple threads setting the resolver.

The container is allowed to implement and set a specific PersistenceProviderResolver provided that it respects the PersistenceProviderResolver contract. The PersistenceProviderResolver instance to be used is set by the container using the PersistenceProviderResolverHolder.setPersistenceProviderResolver method. [86]

If no PersistenceProviderResolver is set, the PersistenceProviderResolver-Holder must return a PersistenceProviderResolver that returns the providers whose persistence provider jars have been installed or made available as service providers or extensions. This default PersistenceProviderResolver instance does not guarantee the order in which persistence providers are returned.

A PersistenceProviderResolver must be threadsafe.

The PersistenceProviderResolver.getPersistenceProviders() method must be used to determine the list of available persistence providers.

The results of calling the PersistenceProviderResolverHolder.getPersistenceProviderResolver and the PersistenceProviderResolver.getPersistenceProviders methods must not be cached. In particular, the following methods must use the PersistenceProviderResolver instance returned by the PersistenceProviderResolverHolder.getPersistenceProviderResolver method to determine the list of available providers:

- Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory(String)
- Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory(String, Map)
- PersistenceUtil.isLoaded(Object)
- PersistenceUtil.isLoaded(Object, String)

<sup>[85]</sup> In dynamic environments (e.g., OSGi-based environments, containers based on dynamic kernels, etc.), the list of persistence providers may change.

<sup>[86]</sup> If a custom PersistenceProviderResolver is needed in a JavaSE environment, it must be set before Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory is called. Note, however, that the setPersistenceProviderResolver method is not intended for general use, but rather is aimed at containers maintaining a dynamic environment.

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These methods must not cache the list of providers and must not cache the PersistenceProviderResolver instance.

Note that the PersistenceProviderResolver.getPersistenceProviders() method can potentially be called many times. It is therefore recommended that the implementation of this method make use of caching.

Note that only a single PersistenceProviderResolver instance can be defined in a given classloader hierarchy at a given time.

#### 9.3.1 PersistenceProviderResolver interface

```
package javax.persistence.spi;
import java.util.List;
/ * *
 * Determine the list of persistence providers available in the
 * runtime environment.
 * Implementations must be thread-safe.
 * Note that the getPersistenceProviders method can potentially
 \mbox{\ensuremath{*}} be called many times: it is recommended that the implementation
 * of this method make use of caching.
public interface PersistenceProviderResolver {
     * Returns a list of the PersistenceProvider implementations
     * available in the runtime environment.
     * @return list of the persistence providers available
               in the environment
    List<PersistenceProvider> getPersistenceProviders();
     * Clear cache of providers.
    void clearCachedProviders();
```

#### 9.3.2 PersistenceProviderResolverHolder class

```
package javax.persistence.spi;
import java.util.List;

/**
 * Holds the global PersistenceProviderResolver instance.
 * If no PersistenceProviderResolver is set by the environment,
 * the default PersistenceProviderResolver is used.
```

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# 9.4 Responsibilities of the Persistence Provider

The persistence provider must implement the PersistenceProvider SPI.

In Java EE environments, the persistence provider must process the metadata that is passed to it at the time createContainerEntityManagerFactory method is called and create an instance of EntityManagerFactory using the PersistenceUnitInfo metadata for the factory. The factory is then returned to the container.

In Java SE environments, the persistence provider must validate the persistence.xml file against the persistence\_2\_0.xsd or persistence\_1\_0.xsd schema in accordance with the version specified by the persistence.xml file and report any validation errors.

The persistence provider processes the metadata annotations on the managed classes of the persistence unit.

When the entity manager factory for a persistence unit is created, it is the responsibility of the persistence provider to initialize the state of the metamodel classes of the persistence unit.

When the persistence provider obtains an object/relational mapping file, it processes the definitions that it contains. The persistence provider must validate any object/relational mapping files against the object/relational mapping schema version specified by the object/relational mapping file and report any validation errors. The object relational mapping file must specify the object/relational mapping schema that it is written against by indicating the version element. Object relational mapping files for applications written to the Java Persistence 2.0 API should conform to the orm\_2\_0.xsd schema.

In Java SE environments, the application can pass the ValidatorFactory instance via the map that is passed as an argument to the Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory call. The map key used must be the standard property name javax.persistence.validation.factory. If no ValidatorFactory instance is provided by the application, and if a Bean Validation provider is present in the classpath, the persistence provider must instantiate the ValidatorFactory using the default bootstrapping approach as defined by the Bean Validation specification [8], namely Validation.buildDefaultValidatorFactory().

#### 9.4.1 javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceProvider

The interface javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceProvider must be implemented by the persistence provider.

It is invoked by the container in Java EE environments and by the javax.persistence.Persistence class in Java SE environments. The javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceProvider implementation is not intended to be used by the application.

The PersistenceProvider implementation class must have a public no-arg constructor.

```
package javax.persistence.spi;
import javax.persistence.EntityManagerFactory;
import java.util.Map;
 * Interface implemented by the persistence provider.
 * It is invoked by the container in Java EE environments and
 * by the Persistence class in Java SE environments to
 * create an EntityManagerFactory.
public interface PersistenceProvider {
     * Called by Persistence class when an EntityManagerFactory
     * is to be created.
     * @param emName the name of the persistence unit
     * @param map a Map of properties for use by the
     * persistence provider. These properties may be used to
     * override the values of the corresponding elements in
     * the persistence.xml file or specify values for
     * properties not specified in the persistence.xml
      (and may be null if no properties are specified).
     * @return EntityManagerFactory for the persistence unit,
     * or null if the provider is not the right provider
    public EntityManagerFactory createEntityManagerFactory(
             String emName, Map map);
```

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```
* Called by the container when an EntityManagerFactory
     * is to be created.
    * @param info metadata for use by the persistence provider
    * @param map a Map of integration-level properties for use
     * by the persistence provider (may be null if no properties
     * are specified).
     * If a Bean Validation provider is present in the classpath,
     * the container must pass the ValidatorFactory instance in
     * the map with the key "javax.persistence.validation.factory".
     * @return EntityManagerFactory for the persistence unit
     * specified by the metadata
    * /
   public EntityManagerFactory createContainerEntityManagerFactory(
             PersistenceUnitInfo info, Map map);
    * Return the utility interface implemented by the persistence
     * provider.
     * @return ProviderUtil interface
    * /
   public ProviderUtil getProviderUtil();
}
```

The properties used in the createEntityManagerFactory method in Java SE environments are described further in section 9.4.3 below.

# 9.4.2 javax.persistence.spi.ProviderUtil

The ProviderUtil interface is invoked by the PersistenceUtil implementation to determine the load status of an entity or entity attribute. It is not intended to be invoked by the application.

```
package javax.persistence.spi;

/**
 * Utility interface implemented by the persistence provider.
 * This interface is invoked by the PersistenceUtil implementation
 * to determine the load status of an entity or entity attribute.
 */
public interface ProviderUtil {

    /**
    * If the provider determines that the entity has been provided
    * by itself and that the state of the specified attribute has
    * been loaded, this method returns LoadState.LOADED.
    * If the provider determines that the entity has been provided
    * by itself and that either entity attributes with FetchType
    * EAGER have not been loaded or that the state of the specified
    * attribute has not been loaded, this methods returns
    * LoadState.NOT_LOADED.
```

}

```
* If a provider cannot determine the load state, this method
 * returns LoadState.UNKNOWN.
 * The provider's implementation of this method must not obtain
 * a reference to an attribute value, as this could trigger the
 ^{\star} loading of entity state if the entity has been provided by a
 * different provider.
 * @param entity
  @param attributeName name of attribute whose load status is
          to be determined
 * @return load status of the attribute
public LoadState isLoadedWithoutReference(
         Object entity, String attributeName);
 * If the provider determines that the entity has been provided
 * by itself and that the state of the specified attribute has
 * been loaded, this method returns LoadState.LOADED.
 * If a provider determines that the entity has been provided
 * by itself and that either the entity attributes with FetchType
 * EAGER have not been loaded or that the state of the specified
 * attribute has not been loaded, this method returns
 * return LoadState.NOT_LOADED.
 * If the provider cannot determine the load state, this method
 * returns LoadState.UNKNOWN.
 * The provider's implementation of this method is permitted to
  obtain a reference to the attribute value. (This access is
 * safe because providers which might trigger the loading of the
 * attribute state will have already been determined by
 * isLoadedWithoutReference. )
 * @param entity
 * @param attributeName name of attribute whose load status is
          to be determined
 * @return load status of the attribute
public LoadState isLoadedWithReference(
         Object entity, String attributeName);
 * If the provider determines that the entity has been provided
 * by itself and that the state of all attributes for which
 * FetchType EAGER has been specified have been loaded, this
 * method returns LoadState.LOADED.
  If the provider determines that the entity has been provided
  by itself and that not all attributes with FetchType EAGER
 * have been loaded, this method returns LoadState.NOT_LOADED.
 * If the provider cannot determine if the entity has been
 * provided by itself, this method returns LoadState.UNKNOWN.
 * The provider's implementation of this method must not obtain
 * a reference to any attribute value, as this could trigger the
 * loading of entity state if the entity has been provided by a
 * different provider.
 * @param entity whose loaded status is to be determined
 * @return load status of the entity
public LoadState isLoaded(Object entity);
```

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```
package javax.persistence.spi;
public enum LoadState {
    /**
     * the state of the element is known to have been loaded
     */
    LOADED,
    /**
     * the state of the element is known not to have been loaded
     */
    NOT_LOADED,
    /**
     * the load state of the element cannot be determined
     */
    UNKNOWN
}
```

## 9.4.3 Persistence Unit Properties

Persistence unit properties and hints may be passed to persistence providers in the Map parameter of the createEntityManagerFactory(String, Map) method. These properties correspond to the elements in the persistence.xml file. When any of these properties are specified in the Map parameter, their values override the values of the corresponding elements in the persistence.xml file for the named persistence unit. They also override any defaults that the provider might have applied.

The properties listed below are defined by this specification.

- javax.persistence.lock.timeout integer value in milliseconds for pessimistic lock timeout or string corresponding to integer value. This is a hint only. See section 3.4.4.3.
- javax.persistence.query.timeout integer value in milliseconds for query timeout or string corresponding to integer value. This is a hint only. See section 3.8.9.
- javax.persistence.provider string corresponding to the provider element in the persistence.xml. See section 8.2.1.4.
- javax.persistence.transactionType string corresponding to the transaction-type attribute in the persistence.xml. See section 8.2.1.2.
- javax.persistence.jtaDataSource string corresponding to the jta-data-source element in the persistence.xml. See section 8.2.1.5.
- javax.persistence.nonJtaDataSource string corresponding to the non-jta-data-source element in the persistence.xml. See section 8.2.1.5.
- javax.persistence.sharedCache.mode string corresponding to the shared-cache-mode element in the persistence.xml. See section 8.2.1.7

- javax.persistence.validation.mode string corresponding to the validation-mode element in the persistence.xml. See sections 8.2.1.8 and 3.6.1.1.
- javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-persist string corresponding to the javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-persist property in the persistence.xml. See sections 8.2.1.9 and 3.6.1.2.
- javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-update string corresponding to the javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-update property in the persistence.xml. See sections 8.2.1.9 and 3.6.1.2.
- javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-remove string corresponding to the javax.persistence.validation.group.pre-remove property in the persistence.xml. See sections 8.2.1.9 and 3.6.1.2.

Any number of vendor-specific properties may also be included in the map. Properties that are not recognized by a vendor must be ignored.

Vendors should use vendor namespaces for properties (e.g., com.acme.persistence.logging). Entries that make use of the namespace javax.persistence and its subnamespaces must not be used for vendor-specific information. The namespace javax.persistence is reserved for use by this specification.

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# 9.5 javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceUnitInfo Interface

```
package javax.persistence.spi;
import javax.sql.DataSource;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.Properties;
import java.net.URL;
import javax.persistence.SharedCacheMode;
import javax.persistence.ValidationMode;
 ^{\star} Interface implemented by the container and used by the
 * persistence provider when creating an EntityManagerFactory.
public interface PersistenceUnitInfo {
    /**
     * Returns the name of the persistence unit. Corresponds to
     * the name attribute in the persistence.xml file.
     * @return the name of the persistence unit
    public String getPersistenceUnitName();
     ^{\star} Returns the fully qualified name of the persistence provider
     \ensuremath{^{\star}} implementation class. Corresponds to the provider element in
     * the persistence.xml file.
     * @return the fully qualified name of the persistence provider
     * implementation class
    public String getPersistenceProviderClassName();
     * Returns the transaction type of the entity managers created by
     \mbox{\ensuremath{^{\star}}} the EntityManagerFactory. The transaction type corresponds to
     * the transaction-type attribute in the persistence.xml file.
     * @return transaction type of the entity managers created
     * by the EntityManagerFactory
    public PersistenceUnitTransactionType getTransactionType();
     * Returns the JTA-enabled data source to be used by the
     * persistence provider. The data source corresponds to the
     * jta-data-source element in the persistence.xml file or is
     * provided at deployment or by the container.
     * @return the JTA-enabled data source to be used by the
     * persistence provider
    public DataSource getJtaDataSource();
```

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^{\star} Returns the non-JTA-enabled data source to be used by the
 * persistence provider for accessing data outside a JTA
 * transaction. The data source corresponds to the named
 * non-jta-data-source element in the persistence.xml file or
 * provided at deployment or by the container.
 * @return the non-JTA-enabled data source to be used by the
 * persistence provider for accessing data outside a JTA
 * transaction
 * /
public DataSource getNonJtaDataSource();
 * Returns the list of the names of the mapping files that the
 * persistence provider must load to determine the mappings for
 * the entity classes. The mapping files must be in the standard
 * XML mapping format, be uniquely named and be resource-loadable
 * from the application classpath. Each mapping file name
 * corresponds to a mapping-file element in the
  persistence.xml file.
 ^{\star} @return the list of mapping file names that the persistence
 * provider must load to determine the mappings for the entity
 * /
public List<String> getMappingFileNames();
* Returns a list of URLs for the jar files or exploded jar
 * file directories that the persistence provider must examine
 * for managed classes of the persistence unit. Each URL
 * corresponds to a jar-file element in the
 * persistence.xml file. A URL will either be a file: URL
 * referring to a jar file or referring to a directory
 * that contains an exploded jar file, or some other URL from
 * which an InputStream in jar format can be obtained.
 * @return a list of URL objects referring to jar files or
 * directories
public List<URL> getJarFileUrls();
/ * *
 * Returns the URL for the jar file or directory that is the
 * root of the persistence unit. (If the persistence unit is
 * rooted in the WEB-INF/classes directory, this will be the
  URL of that directory.)
 * The URL will either be a file: URL referring to a jar file
 * or referring to a directory that contains an exploded jar
 * file, or some other URL from which an InputStream in jar
 * format can be obtained.
 * @return a URL referring to a jar file or directory
public URL getPersistenceUnitRootUrl();
```

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```
/**
 * Returns the list of the names of the classes that the
 * persistence provider must add to its set of managed
 * classes. Each name corresponds to a named class element in the
 * persistence.xml file.
 * @return the list of the names of the classes that the
 * persistence provider must add to its set of managed
 * classes
 * /
public List<String> getManagedClassNames();
 * Returns whether classes in the root of the persistence unit
 * that have not been explicitly listed are to be included in the
 * set of managed classes. This value corresponds to the
 * exclude-unlisted-classes element in the persistence.xml file.
 * @return whether classes in the root of the persistence
 * unit that have not been explicitly listed are to be
 * included in the set of managed classes
public boolean excludeUnlistedClasses();
/**
 * Returns the specification of how the provider must use
 * a second-level cache for the persistence unit.
 * The result of this method corresponds to the shared-cache-mode
 * element in the persistence.xml file.
 ^{\star} @return the second-level cache mode that must be used by the
 * provider for the persistence unit
 * /
public SharedCacheMode getSharedCacheMode();
 \mbox{\scriptsize \star} Returns the validation mode to be used by the persistence
 * provider for the persistence unit. The validation mode
 * corresponds to the validation-mode element in the
 * persistence.xml file.
 * @return the validation mode to be used by the
 * persistence provider for the persistence unit
 * /
public ValidationMode getValidationMode();
 * Returns a properties object. Each property corresponds to a
 * property element in the persistence.xml file.
 * @return Properties object
public Properties getProperties();
 * Returns the schema version of the persistence.xml file.
 * @return persistence.xml schema version
public String getPersistenceXMLSchemaVersion();
```

```
* Returns ClassLoader that the provider may use to load any
     * classes, resources, or open URLs.
     * @return ClassLoader that the provider may use to load any
     * classes, resources, or open URLs
    public ClassLoader getClassLoader();
     ^{\star} Add a transformer supplied by the provider that will be
     * called for every new class definition or class redefinition
     * that gets loaded by the loader returned by the
     * PersistenceUnitInfo.getClassLoader method. The transformer
     * has no effect on the result returned by the
     * PersistenceUnitInfo.getNewTempClassLoader method.
     * Classes are only transformed once within the same classloading
     * scope, regardless of how many persistence units they may be
     * a part of.
     * @param transformer
                             provider-supplied transformer that the
     * container invokes at class-(re)definition time
     * /
    public void addTransformer(ClassTransformer transformer);
     * Return a new instance of a ClassLoader that the provider may
     * use to temporarily load any classes, resources, or open
     * URLs. The scope and classpath of this loader is exactly the
     * same as that of the loader returned by
     * PersistenceUnitInfo.getClassLoader. None of the classes loaded
     * by this class loader will be visible to application
     * components. The provider may only use this ClassLoader within
     * the scope of the createContainerEntityManagerFactory call.
     * @return temporary ClassLoader with same visibility as current
     * loader
    public ClassLoader getNewTempClassLoader();
    enum javax.persistence.spi.PersistenceUnitTransactionType defines
whether the entity managers created by the factory will be JTA or resource-local entity managers.
package javax.persistence.spi;
public enum PersistenceUnitTransactionType {
    JTA,
    RESOURCE LOCAL
```

The enum javax.persistence.SharedCacheMode defines the use of caching. The persistence.xml shared-cache-mode element has no default value. The getSharedCacheMode method must return UNSPECIFIED if the shared-cache-mode element has not been specified for the persistence unit.

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```
package javax.persistence;

public enum SharedCacheMode {
    ALL,
    NONE,
    ENABLE_SELECTIVE,
    DISABLE_SELECTIVE,
    UNSPECIFIED
}

The enum javax.persistence.ValidationMode defines the validation mode.

package javax.persistence;

public enum ValidationMode {
    AUTO,
    CALLBACK,
    NONE
}
```

#### 9.5.1 javax.persistence.spi.ClassTransformer Interface

The javax.persistence.spi.ClassTransformer interface is implemented by a persistence provider that wants to transform entities and managed classes at class load time or at class redefinition time.

```
package javax.persistence.spi;
import java.security.ProtectionDomain;
import java.lang.instrument.IllegalClassFormatException;
 * A persistence provider supplies an instance of this
  interface to the PersistenceUnitInfo.addTransformer
 * method. The supplied transformer instance will get
 * called to transform entity class files when they are
 * loaded or redefined. The transformation occurs before
 * the class is defined by the JVM.
 * /
public interface ClassTransformer {
     * Invoked when a class is being loaded or redefined.
     * The implementation of this method may transform the
       supplied class file and return a new replacement class
     * file.
     * @param loader the defining loader of the class to be
              transformed, may be null if the bootstrap loader
       @param className the name of the class in the internal form
              of fully qualified class and interface names
       @param classBeingRedefined if this is a redefine, the
              class being redefined, otherwise null
       @param protectionDomain the protection domain of the
              class being defined or redefined
```

# 9.6 javax.persistence.Persistence Class

The Persistence class is used to obtain an EntityManagerFactory instance in Java SE environments. The Persistence class is available in a Java EE container environment as well; however, support for the Java SE bootstrapping APIs is not required in container environments.

The Persistence class is used to obtain a PersistenceUtil instance in both Java EE and Java SE environments.

```
package javax.persistence;
import java.util.*;
. . .
 * Provider-independent class
 * Class that is used to obtain an EntityManagerFactory in Java SE
 * environments.
 * Class that is used to obtain an instance of PersistenceUtil in
 * Java EE and Java SE environments.
public class Persistence {
     * Create and return an EntityManagerFactory for the
     * named persistence unit.
     * Use of this method is not required to be supported in
     * Java EE container environments.
     * @param persistenceUnitName the name of the persistence unit
     * @return the factory that creates EntityManagers configured
     * according to the specified persistence unit
     * /
    public static EntityManagerFactory createEntityManagerFactory(
             String persistenceUnitName) {...}
```

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The properties argument is used to specify both standard and vendor-specific properties.

The following properties and hints defined by this specification are intended for use in creating the entity manager factory.

- javax.persistence.lock.timeout integer value in milliseconds for pessimistic lock timeout or string corresponding to integer value. This is a hint only.
- javax.persistence.query.timeout integer value in milliseconds for query timeout or string corresponding to integer value. This is a hint only.
- javax.persistence.jdbc.driver value is the fully qualified name of the driver class.
- javax.persistence.jdbc.url string corresponding to the driver-specific URL.
- javax.persistence.jdbc.user value is the username used by database connection.
- javax.persistence.jdbc.password value is the password for database connection validation.
- javax.persistence.dataSource value is instance of javax.sql.Data-Source to be used for the specified persistence unit.
- javax.persistence.validation.factory value is instance of javax.validation.ValidatorFactory.

• javax.persistence.validation.mode — value is "auto", "callback", or "none". See section 3.6.1.1.

If a persistence provider does not recognize a property (other than a property defined by this specification), the provider must ignore it.

Vendors should use vendor namespaces for properties (e.g., com.acme.persistence.logging). Entries that make use of the namespace javax.persistence and its subnamespaces must not be used for vendor-specific information. The namespace javax.persistence is reserved for use by this specification.

#### 9.7 PersistenceUtil Interface

This interface is used to determine load state. The semantics of the methods of this interface are defined in section 9.7.1 below.

```
package javax.persistence;
 * Utility interface between the application and the persistence
  provider(s).
 * The PersistenceUtil interface instance obtained from the
 * Persistence class is used to determine the load state of an
 * entity or entity attribute regardless of which persistence
 * provider in the environment created the entity.
public interface PersistenceUtil {
     * Determine the load state of a given persistent attribute.
     * @param entity containing the attribute
     * @param attributeName name of attribute whose load state is
          to be determined
     * @return false if entity's state has not been loaded or
       if the attribute state has not been loaded, else true
    public boolean isLoaded(Object entity, String attributeName);
     * Determine the load state of an entity.
     * This method can be used to determine the load state
     * of an entity passed as a reference. An entity is
     * considered loaded if all attributes for which FetchType
     * EAGER has been specified have been loaded.
     * The isLoaded(Object, String) method should be used to
     * determine the load state of an attribute.
     * Not doing so might lead to unintended loading of state.
     * @param entity whose load state is to be determined
     * @return false if the entity has not been loaded, else true
    public boolean isLoaded(Object entity);
}
```

#### 9.7.1 Contracts for Determining the Load State of an Entity or Entity Attribute

The implementation of the PersistenceUtil.isLoaded(Object) method must determine the list of persistence providers available in the runtime environment<sup>[87]</sup> and call the ProviderUtil.isLoaded(Object) method on each of them until either:

- one provider returns LoadState.LOADED. In this case PersistenceUtil.isLoaded returns true.
- one provider returns LoadState.NOT\_LOADED. In this case PersistenceUtil.isLoaded returns false.
- all providers return LoadState.UNKNOWN. In this case PersistenceUtil.isLoaded returns true

If the PersistenceUtil implementation determines that only a single provider is available in the environment, it is permitted to use provider-specific methods to determine the result of isLoaded(Object) as long as the semantics defined in section 3.2.9 are observed.

The implementation of the PersistenceUtil.isLoaded(Object,String) method must determine the list of persistence providers available in the environment and call the ProviderUtil.isLoadedWithoutReference method on each of them until either:

- one provider returns LoadState.LOADED. In this case PersistenceUtil.isLoaded returns true.
- one provider returns LoadState.NOT\_LOADED. In this case PersistenceUtil.isLoaded returns false.
- all providers return LoadState.UNKNOWN. In this case, the PersistenceUtil.isLoaded method then calls ProviderUtil.isLoadedWithReference on each of the providers until:
  - one provider returns LoadState.LOADED. In this case PersistenceUtil.isLoaded return true.
  - one provider returns LoadState.NOT\_LOADED. In this case, PersistenceUtil.isLoaded returns false.
  - all providers return LoadState.UNKNOWN. In this case, PersistenceUtil.isLoaded returns true.

If the PersistenceUtil implementation determines that only a single provider is available in the environment, it is permitted to use provider specific methods to determine the result of isLoaded(Object, String) as long as the semantics defined in section 3.2.9 are observed.

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<sup>[87]</sup> The determining of the persistence providers that are available is discussed in section 9.3.

NOTE: The rationale for splitting the determination of load state between the methods isLoaded-WithoutReference and isLoadedWithReference is the following.

- It is assumed that the provider that loaded the entity is present in the environment.
- Providers that use bytecode enhancement don't need to access an attribute reference to determine its load state, and can determine if the entity has been provided by them.
- By first querying all providers using bytecode enhancement, it is insured that no attribute will be loaded by side effect.
- Proxy-based providers do need to access an attribute reference to determine load state, but will not trigger attribute loading as a side effect.
- If no provider recognizes an entity as provided by it, it is assumed to be an object that is not instrumented and is considered loaded.

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# Chapter 10 Metadata Annotations

This chapter and chapter 11 define the metadata annotations introduced by this specification.

The XML schema defined in chapter 12 provides an alternative to the use of metadata annotations.

These annotations and types are in the package javax.persistence.

# 10.1 Entity

The Entity annotation specifies that the class is an entity. This annotation is applied to the entity class.

The name annotation element specifies the entity name. If the name element is not specified, the entity name defaults to the unqualified name of the entity class. This name is used to refer to the entity in queries.

```
@Documented @Target(TYPE) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Entity {
   String name() default "";
}
```

#### 10.2 Callback Annotations

The EntityListeners annotation specifies the callback listener classes to be used for an entity or mapped superclass. The EntityListeners annotation may be applied to an entity class or mapped superclass.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface EntityListeners {
   Class[] value();
}
```

The ExcludeSuperclassListeners annotation specifies that the invocation of superclass listeners is to be excluded for the entity class (or mapped superclass) and its subclasses.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface ExcludeSuperclassListeners {
}
```

The ExcludeDefaultListeners annotation specifies that the invocation of default listeners is to be excluded for the entity class (or mapped superclass) and its subclasses.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface ExcludeDefaultListeners {
}
```

The following annotations are used to specify callback methods for the corresponding lifecycle events. These annotations may be applied to methods of an entity class, of a mapped superclass, or of an entity listener class.

```
@Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PrePersist {}

@Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PostPersist {}

@Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PreRemove {}

@Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PostRemove {}

@Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PreUpdate {}

@Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PostUpdate {}

@Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PostUpdate {}
```

## **10.3** Annotations for Queries

#### 10.3.1 NamedQuery Annotation

The NamedQuery annotation is used to specify a named query in the Java Persistence query language.

The name element is used to refer to the query when using the EntityManager methods that create query objects.

The query element must specify a query string in the Java Persistence query language.

The lockMode element specifies a lock mode for the results returned by the query. If a lock mode other than NONE is specified, the query must be executed within a transaction.

The hints elements may be used to specify query properties and hints. Properties defined by this specification must be observed by the provider; hints defined by this specification should be observed by the provider when possible. Vendor-specific hints that are not recognized by a provider must be ignored.

The NamedQuery and NamedQueries annotations can be applied to an entity or mapped superclass.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface NamedQuery {
    String name();
    String query();
    LockModeType lockMode() default NONE;
    QueryHint[] hints() default {};
}
@Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface QueryHint {
    String name();
    String value();
}
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface NamedQueries {
    NamedQuery[] value ();
}
```

#### 10.3.2 NamedNativeQuery Annotation

The NamedNativeQuery annotation is used to specify a native SQL named query.

The name element is used to refer to the query when using the EntityManager methods that create query objects.

The query element specifies the native query.

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The resultClass element refers to the class of the result; the value of the resultSetMapping element is the name of a SqlResultSetMapping specification, as defined in metadata.

The hints elements may be used to specify query properties and hints. Hints defined by this specification should be observed by the provider when possible. Vendor-specific hints that are not recognized by a provider must be ignored.

The NamedNativeQuery and NamedNativeQueries annotations can be applied to an entity or mapped superclass.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface NamedNativeQuery {
    String name();
    String query();
    QueryHint[] hints() default {};
    Class resultClass() default void.class;
    String resultSetMapping() default "";
}
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface NamedNativeQueries {
    NamedNativeQuery[] value ();
}
```

#### 10.3.3 Annotations for SQL Query Result Set Mappings

The SqlResultSetMapping annotation is used to specify the mapping of the result of a native SQL query.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface SqlResultSetMapping {
    String name();
    EntityResult[] entities() default {};
    ColumnResult[] columns() default {};
}
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface SqlResultSetMappings {
    SqlResultSetMapping[] value();
}
```

The name element is the name given to the result set mapping, and used to refer to it in the methods of the Query API. The entities and columns elements are used to specify the mapping to entities and to scalar values respectively.

```
@Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface EntityResult {
    Class entityClass();
    FieldResult[] fields() default {};
    String discriminatorColumn() default "";
}
```

The entityClass element specifies the class of the result.

The fields element is used to map the columns specified in the SELECT list of the query to the properties or fields of the entity class.

The discriminatorColumn element is used to specify the column name (or alias) of the column in the SELECT list that is used to determine the type of the entity instance.

```
@Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface FieldResult {
    String name();
    String column();
}
```

The name element is the name of the persistent field or property of the class.

The column names that are used in these annotations refer to the names of the columns in the SELECT clause—i.e., column aliases, if applicable.

```
@Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface ColumnResult {
    String name();
}
```

# 10.4 References to EntityManager and EntityManagerFactory

These annotations are used to express dependencies on entity managers and entity manager factories.

#### **10.4.1 PersistenceContext Annotation**

The PersistenceContext annotation is used to express a dependency on a container-managed entity manager and its associated persistence context.

The name element refers to the name by which the entity manager is to be accessed in the environment referencing context, and is not needed when dependency injection is used.

The optional unitName element refers to the name of the persistence unit. If the unitName element is specified, the persistence unit for the entity manager that is accessible in JNDI must have the same name.

The type element specifies whether a transaction-scoped or extended persistence context is to be used. If the type element is not specified, a transaction-scoped persistence context is used.

The optional properties element may be used to specify properties for the container or persistence provider. Properties defined by this specification must be observed by the provider. Vendor specific properties may be included in the set of properties, and are passed to the persistence provider by the container when the entity manager is created. Properties that are not recognized by a vendor must be ignored.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PersistenceContext {
    String name() default "";
    String unitName() default "";
    PersistenceContextType type default TRANSACTION;
    PersistenceProperty[] properties() default {};
public enum PersistenceContextType {
  TRANSACTION,
  EXTENDED
@Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PersistenceProperty {
    String name();
    String value();
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PersistenceContexts {
  PersistenceContext[] value();
```

#### 10.4.2 PersistenceUnit Annotation

The PersistenceUnit annotation is used to express a dependency on an entity manager factory and its associated persistence unit.

The name element refers to the name by which the entity manager factory is to be accessed in the environment referencing context, and is not needed when dependency injection is used.

The optional unitName element refers to the name of the persistence unit as defined in the persistence.xml file. If the unitName element is specified, the persistence unit for the entity manager factory that is accessible in JNDI must have the same name.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PersistenceUnit {
    String name() default "";
    String unitName() default "";
}

@Target(TYPE) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PersistenceUnits {
    PersistenceUnit[] value();
}
```

# Chapter 11 Metadata for Object/Relational Mapping

The object/relational mapping metadata is part of the application domain model contract. It expresses requirements and expectations on the part of the application as to the mapping of the entities and relationships of the application domain to a database. Queries (and, in particular, SQL queries) written against the database schema that corresponds to the application domain model are dependent upon the mappings expressed by means of the object/relational mapping metadata. The implementation of this specification must assume this application dependency upon the object/relational mapping metadata and insure that the semantics and requirements expressed by that mapping are observed.

It is permitted, but not required, that DDL generation be supported by an implementation of this specification. Portable applications should not rely upon the use of DDL generation.

# 11.1 Annotations for Object/Relational Mapping

These annotations and types are in the package javax.persistence.

XML metadata may be used as an alternative to these annotations, or to override or augment annotations, as described in Chapter 12.

#### 11.1.1 Access Annotation

The Access annotation is used to specify an access type to be applied to an entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class, or to a specific attribute of such a class.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Access {
   AccessType value();
}

public enum AccessType {
   FIELD,
   PROPERTY
}
```

Table 4 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the Access annotation.

#### Table 4 Access Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
AccessType	value	(Required) The access type to be applied to the class or attribute.	

#### 11.1.2 AssociationOverride Annotation

The AssociationOverride annotation is used to override a mapping for an entity relationship.

The AssociationOverride annotation may be applied to an entity that extends a mapped superclass to override a relationship mapping defined by the mapped superclass. If the Association-Override annotation is not specified, the association is mapped the same as in the original mapping. When used to override a mapping defined by a mapped superclass, the AssociationOverride annotation is applied to the entity class.

The AssociationOverride annotation may be used to override a relationship mapping from an embeddable within an entity to another entity when the embeddable is on the owning side of the relationship. When used to override a relationship mapping defined by an embeddable class (including an embeddable class embedded within another embeddable class), the AssociationOverride annotation is applied to the field or property containing the embeddable.

When the AssociationOverride annotation is used to override a relationship mapping from an embeddable class, the name element specifies the referencing relationship field or property within the embeddable class. To override mappings at multiple levels of embedding, a dot (".") notation syntax must be used in the name element to indicate an attribute within an embedded attribute. The value of each identifier used with the dot notation is the name of the respective embedded field or property. When the AssociationOverride annotation is applied to override the mappings of an embeddable class used as a map value, "value." must be used to prefix the name of the attribute within the embeddable class that is being overridden in order to specify it as part of the map value. [88]

If the relationship mapping is a foreign key mapping, the joinColumns element of the AssociationOverride annotation is used. If the relationship mapping uses a join table, the joinTable element of the AssociationOverride element must be specified to override the mapping of the join table and/or its join columns. [89]

Table 5 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the AssociationOverride annotation

The joinColumns element refers to the table for the class that contains the annotation.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface AssociationOverride {
         String name();
         JoinColumn[] joinColumns() default {};
         JoinTable joinTable() default @JoinTable;
}
```

#### Table 5 AssociationOverride Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Required) The name of the relationship property whose mapping is being overridden if property-based access is being used, or the name of the relationship field if field-based access is used.	
JoinCol- umn[]	joinCol- umns	The join column(s) being mapped to the persistent attribute(s). The joinColumns element must be specified if a foreign key mapping is used in the overriding of the mapping of the relationship. The joinColumns element must not be specified if a join table is used in the overriding of the mapping of the relationship	
JoinTable	joinTable	The join table that maps the relationship. The join-Table element must be specified if a join table is used in the overriding of the mapping of the relationship. The joinTable element must not be specified if a foreign key mapping is used in the overriding of the mapping of the relationship.	

<sup>[88]</sup> The use of map keys that contain embeddables that reference entities is not permitted.

<sup>[89]</sup> Note that *either* the joinColumns element *or* the joinTable element of the AssociationOverride annotation is specified for overriding a given relationship (but never both).

#### Example 1:

```
@MappedSuperclass
public class Employee {
    @Id protected Integer id;
    @Version protected Integer version;
    @ManyToOne
    protected Address address;
    public Integer getId() { ... }
    public void setId(Integer id) { ... }
    public Address getAddress() { ... }
    public void setAddress(Address address) { ... }
@Entity
@AssociationOverride(name="address",
                     joinColumns=@JoinColumn(name="ADDR_ID"))
public class PartTimeEmployee extends Employee {
    // address field mapping overridden to ADDR_ID foreign key
    @Column(name="WAGE")
    protected Float hourlyWage;
    public Float getHourlyWage() { ... }
    public void setHourlyWage(Float wage) { ... }
```

**Example 2:** Overriding of the mapping for the phoneNumbers relationship defined in the ContactInfo embeddable class.

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
   @Id int id;
   @AssociationOverride(
      name="phoneNumbers"
      joinTable=@JoinTable(
         name="EMPPHONES",
         joinColumns=@JoinColumn(name="EMP"),
         inverseJoinColumns=@JoinColumn(name="PHONE")
   @Embedded ContactInfo contactInfo;
}
@Embeddable
public class ContactInfo {
   @ManyToOne Address address; // Unidirectional
   @ManyToMany(targetEntity=PhoneNumber.class) List phoneNumbers;
@Entity
public class PhoneNumber {
   @Id int number;
   @ManyToMany(mappedBy="contactInfo.phoneNumbers")
   Collection < Employee > employees;
```

#### 11.1.3 AssociationOverrides Annotation

The mappings of multiple relationship properties or fields may be overridden. The Association-Overrides annotation is used for this purpose.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface AssociationOverrides {
   AssociationOverride[] value();
}
```

Table 6 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the AssociationOverrides annotation.

#### Table 6 AssociationOverrides Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Association- Override[]	value	(Required) The association override mappings that are to be applied to the relationship field or property.	

#### **Example:**

```
@MappedSuperclass
public class Employee {
    @Id protected Integer id;
    @Version protected Integer version;
    @ManyToOne protected Address address;
    @OneToOne protected Locker locker;
    public Integer getId() { ... }
public void setId(Integer id) { ... }
public Address getAddress() { ... }
    public void setAddress(Address address) { ... }
    public Locker getLocker() { ...
    public void setLocker(Locker locker) { ... }
}
@Entity
@AssociationOverrides({
     @AssociationOverride(name="address",
                             joinColumns=@JoinColumn("ADDR_ID")),
     @AssociationOverride(name="locker",
                             joinColumns=@JoinColumn("LCKR_ID"))})
public PartTimeEmployee { ... }
```

#### 11.1.4 AttributeOverride Annotation

The AttributeOverride annotation is used to override the mapping of a Basic (whether explicit or default) property or field or Id property or field.

The AttributeOverride annotation may be applied to an entity that extends a mapped superclass or to an embedded field or property to override a Basic mapping or Id mapping defined by the mapped superclass or embeddable class (or embeddable class of one of its attributes).

The AttributeOverride annotation may be applied to an element collection containing instances of an embeddable class or to a map collection whose key and/or value is an embeddable class. When the AttributeOverride annotation is applied to a map, "key." or "value." must be used to prefix the name of the attribute that is being overridden in order to specify it as part of the map key or map value.

To override mappings at multiple levels of embedding, a dot (".") notation form must be used in the name element to indicate an attribute within an embedded attribute. The value of each identifier used with the dot notation is the name of the respective embedded field or property.

If the AttributeOverride annotation is not specified, the column is mapped the same as in the original mapping.

Table 7 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the AttributeOverride annotation.

The column element refers to the table for the class that contains the annotation.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface AttributeOverride {
    String name();
    Column column();
}
```

#### Table 7 AttributeOverride Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Required) The name of the property whose mapping is being overridden if property-based access is being used, or the name of the field if field-based access is used.	
Column	column	(Required) The column that is being mapped to the persistent attribute. The mapping type will remain the same as is defined in the embeddable class or mapped superclass.	

### Example 1:

```
@MappedSuperclass
public class Employee {
    @Id protected Integer id;
    @Version protected Integer version;
    protected String address;
    public Integer getId() { ... }
    public void setId(Integer id) { ... }
public String getAddress() { ... }
    public void setAddress(String address) { ... }
@Entity
@AttributeOverride(name="address", column=@Column(name="ADDR"))
public class PartTimeEmployee extends Employee {
    // address field mapping overridden to ADDR
    protected Float wage();
    public Float getHourlyWage() { ... }
    public void setHourlyWage(Float wage) { ... }
Example 2:
@Embeddable public class Address {
  protected String street;
  protected String city;
  protected String state;
  @Embedded protected Zipcode zipcode;
@Embeddable public class Zipcode {
  protected String zip;
  protected String plusFour;
@Entity public class Customer {
  @Id protected Integer id;
  protected String name;
  @AttributeOverrides({
    @AttributeOverride(name="state",
                        column=@Column(name="ADDR_STATE")),
    @AttributeOverride(name="zipcode.zip",
                        column = @Column(name="ADDR_ZIP"))
  @Embedded protected Address address;
}
```

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# Example 3:

```
@Entity
public class PropertyRecord {
  @EmbeddedId PropertyOwner owner;
  @AttributeOverrides({
     @AttributeOverride(name="key.street",
                        column=@Column(name="STREET_NAME")),
     @AttributeOverride(name="value.size",
                        column=@Column(name="SQUARE FEET")),
     @AttributeOverride(name="value.tax",
                        column=@Column(name="ASSESSMENT"))
  @ElementCollection
  Map<Address, PropertyInfo> parcels;
@Embeddable public class PropertyInfo {
   Integer parcelNumber;
   Integer size;
   BigDecimal tax;
```

# 11.1.5 AttributeOverrides Annotation

The mappings of multiple properties or fields may be overridden. The AttributeOverrides annotation is used for this purpose.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface AttributeOverrides {
   AttributeOverride[] value();
}
```

Table 8 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the AttributeOverrides annotation.

#### Table 8 AttributeOverrides Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
AttributeOver-ride[]	value	(Required) The AttributeOverride mappings that are to be applied to the field or property.	

# 11.1.6 Basic Annotation

The Basic annotation is the simplest type of mapping to a database column. The Basic annotation can be applied to a persistent property or instance variable of any of the following types: Java primitive types, wrappers of the primitive types, java.lang.String, java.math.BigInteger, java.math.BigDecimal, java.util.Date, java.util.Calendar, java.sql.Date, java.sql.Time, java.sql.Timestamp, byte[], Byte[], char[], Character[], enums, and any other type that implements Serializable. As described in Section 2.8, the use of the Basic annotation is optional for persistent fields and properties of these types. If the Basic annotation is not specified for such a field or property, the default values of the Basic annotation will apply.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Basic {
    FetchType fetch() default EAGER;
    boolean optional() default true;
}
```

Table 9 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the Basic annotation and their default values.

The FetchType enum defines strategies for fetching data from the database:

```
public enum FetchType { LAZY, EAGER };
```

The EAGER strategy is a requirement on the persistence provider runtime that data must be eagerly fetched. The LAZY strategy is a *hint* to the persistence provider runtime that data should be fetched lazily when it is first accessed. The implementation is permitted to eagerly fetch data for which the LAZY strategy hint has been specified. In particular, lazy fetching might only be available for Basic mappings for which property-based access is used.

The optional element is a hint as to whether the value of the field or property may be null. It is disregarded for primitive types.

### Table 9 Basic Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
FetchType	fetch	(Optional) Whether the value of the field or property should be lazily loaded or must be eagerly fetched. The EAGER strategy is a requirement on the persistence provider runtime that the value must be eagerly fetched. The LAZY strategy is a hint to the persistence provider runtime.	EAGER
boolean	optional	(Optional) Whether the value of the field or property may be null. This is a hint and is disregarded for primitive types; it may be used in schema generation.	true

### Example 1:

```
@Basic
protected String name;
```

#### Example 2:

```
@Basic(fetch=LAZY)
protected String getName() { return name; }
```

# 11.1.7 Cacheable Annotation

The Cacheable annotation specifies whether an entity should be cached if caching is enabled when the value of the persistence.xml shared-cache-mode element is ENABLE\_SELECTIVE or DISABLE\_SELECTIVE. The value of the Cacheable annotation is inherited by subclasses; it can be overridden by specifying Cacheable on a subclass.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Cacheable {
   boolean value() default true;
}
```

Cacheable (false) means that the entity and its state must not be cached by the provider.

If the shared-cache-mode element is not specified in the persistence.xml file and the javax.persistence.sharedCache.mode property is not specified when the entity manager factory for the persistence unit is created, the semantics of the Cacheable annotation are undefined.

### Table 10 Cacheable Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
boolean	value	(Optional) Whether or not the entity should be cached.	true

# 11.1.8 CollectionTable Annotation

The CollectionTable annotation is used in the mapping of collections of basic or embeddable types. The CollectionTable annotation specifies the table that is used for the mapping of the collection and is specified on the collection-valued field or property.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface CollectionTable {
    String name() default "";
    String catalog() default "";
    String schema() default "";
    JoinColumn[] joinColumns() default {};
    UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
}
```

By default, the columns of the collection table that correspond to the embeddable class or basic type are derived from the attributes of the embeddable class or from the basic type according to the default values of the Column annotation, as described in Section 11.1.9. In the case of a basic type, the column name is derived from the name of the collection-valued field or property. In the case of an embeddable class, the column names are derived from the field or property names of the embeddable class.

To override the default properties of the column used for a basic type, the Column annotation is used on the collection-valued attribute in addition to the ElementCollection annotation. The value of the table element of the Column annotation defaults to the name of the collection table.

To override these defaults for an embeddable class, the AttributeOverride and/or AttributeOverrides annotations must be used in addition to the ElementCollection annotation. The value of the table element of the Column annotation used in the AttributeOverride annotation defaults to the name of the collection table. If the embeddable class contains references to other entities, the default values for the columns corresponding to those references may be overridden by means of the AssociationOverride and/or AssociationOverrides annotations.

If the CollectionTable annotation is missing, the default values of the CollectionTable annotation elements apply.

Table 11 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the CollectionTable annotation and their default values.

 Table 11
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Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the collection table.	The concatenation of the name of the containing entity and the name of the collection attribute, separated by an underscore.
String	catalog	(Optional) The catalog of the table.	Default catalog.
String	schema	(Optional) The schema of the table.	Default schema for user.

Type	Name	Description	Default
JoinColumn[]	joinColumns	(Optional) The foreign key columns of the collection table which reference the primary table of the entity.	(Default only applies if a single join column is used.) The same defaults as for JoinColumn (i.e., the concatenation of the following: the name of the entity; "_"; the name of the referenced primary key column.) However, if there is more than one join column, a JoinColumn annotation must be specified for each join column using the JoinColumns annotation. Both the name and the referencedColumnName elements must be specified in each such JoinColumn annotation.
UniqueConstraint[]	uniqueConstraints	(Optional) Unique constraints that are to be placed on the table. These are only used if table generation is in effect.	No additional constraints

```
@Embeddable public class Address {
  protected String street;
  protected String city;
 protected String state;
}
@Entity public class Person {
  @Id protected String ssn;
  protected String name;
  protected Address home;
  @ElementCollection // use default table (PERSON_NICKNAMES)
  @Column(name="name", length=50)
 protected Set<String> nickNames = new HashSet();
@Entity public class WealthyPerson extends Person {
  @ElementCollection
  @CollectionTable(name="HOMES") // use default join column name
  @AttributeOverrides({
    @AttributeOverride(name="street",
                       column=@Column(name="HOME_STREET")),
    @AttributeOverride(name="city",
                       column=@Column(name="HOME_CITY")),
    @AttributeOverride(name="state",
                       column=@Column(name="HOME STATE"))
  protected Set<Address> vacationHomes = new HashSet();
```

# 11.1.9 Column Annotation

The Column annotation is used to specify a mapped column for a persistent property or field.

Table 12 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the Column annotation and their default values.

If no Column annotation is specified, the default values in Table 12 apply.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Column {
    String name() default "";
    boolean unique() default false;
    boolean nullable() default true;
    boolean insertable() default true;
    boolean updatable() default true;
    String columnDefinition() default "";
    String table() default "";
    int length() default 255;
    int precision() default 0; // decimal precision
    int scale() default 0; // decimal scale
}
```

#### Table 12 Column Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the column.	The property or field name.
boolean	unique	(Optional) Whether the column is a unique key. This is a shortcut for the UniqueConstraint annotation at the table level and is useful for when the unique key constraint corresponds to only a single column. This constraint applies in addition to any constraint entailed by primary key mapping and to constraints specified at the table level.	false
boolean	nullable	(Optional) Whether the database column is nullable.	true
boolean	insertable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL INSERT statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
boolean	updatable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL UPDATE statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
String	columnDefinition	(Optional) The SQL fragment that is used when generating the DDL for the column.	Generated SQL to create a column of the inferred type.
String	table	(Optional) The name of the table that contains the column. If absent the column is assumed to be in the primary table for the mapped object.	Column is in primary table.

Type	Name	Description	Default
int	length	(Optional) The column length. (Applies only if a string-valued column is used.)	255
int	precision	(Optional) The precision for a decimal (exact numeric) column. (Applies only if a decimal column is used.)	0 (Value must be set by developer.)
int	scale	(Optional) The scale for a decimal (exact numeric) column. (Applies only if a decimal column is used.)	0

### Example 1:

public String getDescription() { return description; }

### Example 3:

```
@Column(name="ORDER_COST", updatable=false, precision=12, scale=2)
public BigDecimal getCost() { return cost; }
```

# 11.1.10 DiscriminatorColumn Annotation

For the SINGLE\_TABLE mapping strategy, and typically also for the JOINED strategy, the persistence provider will use a type discriminator column. The DiscriminatorColumn annotation is used to define the discriminator column for the SINGLE TABLE and JOINED inheritance mapping strategies.

The strategy and the discriminator column are only specified in the root of an entity class hierarchy or subhierarchy in which a different inheritance strategy is applied. [90]

The DiscriminatorColumn annotation can be specified on an entity class (including on an abstract entity class).

If the DiscriminatorColumn annotation is missing, and a discriminator column is required, the name of the discriminator column defaults to "DTYPE" and the discriminator type to STRING.

Table 13 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the DiscriminatorColumn annotation and their default values.

<sup>[90]</sup> The combination of inheritance strategies within a single entity inheritance hierarchy is not defined by this specification.

The supported discriminator types are defined by the DiscriminatorType enum:

```
public enum DiscriminatorType { STRING, CHAR, INTEGER };
```

The type of the discriminator column, if specified in the optional columnDefinition element, must be consistent with the discriminator type.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface DiscriminatorColumn {
    String name() default "DTYPE";
    DiscriminatorType discriminatorType() default STRING;
    String columnDefinition() default "";
    int length() default 31;
}
```

#### Table 13 DiscriminatorColumn Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of column to be used for the discriminator.	"ДТҮРЕ"
Discrimina- torType	discriminator- Type	(Optional) The type of object/column to use as a class discriminator.	DiscriminatorType.STRING
String	columnDefinition	(Optional) The SQL fragment that is used when generating the DDL for the discriminator column.	Provider-generated SQL to create a column of the specified discriminator type.
int	length	(Optional) The column length for String-based discriminator types. Ignored for other discriminator types.	31

### **Example:**

```
@Entity
@Table(name="CUST")
@DiscriminatorColumn(name="DISC", discriminatorType=STRING,length=20)
public class Customer { ... }
@Entity
public class ValuedCustomer extends Customer { ... }
```

# 11.1.11 Discriminator Value Annotation

The DiscriminatorValue annotation is used to specify the value of the discriminator column for entities of the given type. The DiscriminatorValue annotation can only be specified on a concrete entity class. If the DiscriminatorValue annotation is not specified and a discriminator column is used, a provider-specific function will be used to generate a value representing the entity type.

The inheritance strategy and the discriminator column are only specified in the root of an entity class hierarchy or subhierarchy in which a different inheritance strategy is applied. The discriminator value, if not defaulted, should be specified for each entity class in the hierarchy.

Table 14 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the DiscriminatorValue annotation and their default values.

The discriminator value must be consistent in type with the discriminator type of the specified or defaulted discriminator column. If the discriminator type is an integer, the value specified must be able to be converted to an integer value (e.g., "1").

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface DiscriminatorValue {
    String value();
}
```

### Table 14 Discriminator Value Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	value	(Optional) The value that indicates that the row is an entity of the annotated entity type.	If the Discriminator Value annotation is not specified, a provider-specific function to generate a value representing the entity type is used for the value of the discriminator column. If the Discriminator Type is STRING, the discriminator value default is the entity name.

### **Example:**

```
@Entity
@Table(name="CUST")
@Inheritance(strategy=SINGLE_TABLE)
@DiscriminatorColumn(name="DISC", discriminatorType=STRING,length=20)
@DiscriminatorValue("CUSTOMER")
public class Customer { ... }

@Entity
@DiscriminatorValue("VCUSTOMER")
public class ValuedCustomer extends Customer { ... }
```

### 11.1.12 ElementCollection Annotation

The ElementCollection annotation defines a collection of instances of a basic type or embeddable class. The ElementCollection annotation (or equivalent XML element) must be specified if the collection is to be mapped by means of a collection table.<sup>[91]</sup>

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface ElementCollection {
   Class targetClass() default void.class;
   FetchType fetch() default LAZY;
}
```

<sup>[91]</sup> If it is not specified, the rules of section 2.8 apply.

Table 15 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the ElementCollection annotation and their default values.

 Table 15
 ElementCollection Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Class	target- Class	(Optional) The basic or embeddable class that is the element type of the collection. Optional only if the collection field or property is defined using Java generics. Must be specified otherwise.	The parameterized type of the collection when defined using generics.
FetchType	fetch	(Optional) Whether the collection should be lazily loaded or must be eagerly fetched. The EAGER strategy is a requirement on the persistence provider runtime that the collection elements must be eagerly fetched. The LAZY strategy is a hint to the persistence provider runtime.	LAZY

# **Example:**

```
@Entity public class Person {
   @Id protected String ssn;
   protected String name;

   @ElementCollection
   protected Set<String> nickNames = new HashSet();
   ...
}
```

### 11.1.13 Embeddable Annotation

The Embeddable annotation is used to specify a class whose instances are stored as an intrinsic part of an owning entity and share the identity of the entity.

```
@Documented @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Embeddable {
}

Example 1:

@Embeddable
```

```
@Embeddable
public class EmploymentPeriod {
    @Temporal(DATE) java.util.Date startDate;
    @Temporal(DATE) java.util.Date endDate;
    ...
}
```

# Example 2:

```
@Embeddable public class PhoneNumber {
   protected String areaCode;
   protected String localNumber;
   @ManyToOne PhoneServiceProvider provider;
   ...
}

@Entity public class PhoneServiceProvider {
   @Id protected String name;
   ...
}

Example 3:

@Embeddable public class Address {
   protected String street;
   protected String city;
   protected String state;
   @Embedded protected Zipcode zipcode;
}

@Embeddable public class Zipcode {
   protected String zip;
   protected String plusFour;
```

#### 11.1.14 Embedded Annotation

The Embedded annotation is used to specify a persistent field or property of an entity or embeddable class whose value is an instance of an embeddable class. [92] Each of the persistent properties or fields of the embedded object is mapped to the database table for the entity or embeddable class. The embeddable class must be annotated as Embeddable. [93]

The AttributeOverride, AttributeOverrides, AssociationOverride, and AssociationOverrides annotations may be used to override mappings declared or defaulted by the embeddable class.

Implementations are not required to support embedded objects that are mapped across more than one table (e.g., split across primary and secondary tables or multiple secondary tables).

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Embedded {}
```

<sup>[92]</sup> If the embeddable class is used as a primary key, the EmbeddedId rather than the Embedded annotation is used.

<sup>[93]</sup> Use of the Embedded annotation is not required. See section 2.8.

### 11.1.15 EmbeddedId Annotation

The EmbeddedId annotation is applied to a persistent field or property of an entity class or mapped superclass to denote a composite primary key that is an embeddable class. The embeddable class must be annotated as Embeddable. [94] Relationship mappings defined within an embedded id class are not supported.

There must be only one EmbeddedId annotation and no Id annotation when the EmbeddedId annotation is used.

The AttributeOverride annotation may be used to override the column mappings declared within the embeddable class.

The MapsId annotation may be used in conjunction with the EmbeddedId annotation to specify a derived primary key. See Sections 2.4.1 and 11.1.33.

If the entity has a derived primary key, the AttributeOverride annotation may only be used to override those attributes of the embedded id that do not correspond to the relationship to the parent entity.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface EmbeddedId {}

Example 1:

@Entity public class Employee {
    @EmbeddedId protected EmployeePK empPK;
    String name;
    @ManyToOne Set<Department> dept;
    ...
}
```

<sup>[94]</sup> Note that the Id annotation is not used in the embeddable class.

### Example 2:

# 11.1.16 Enumerated Annotation

An Enumerated annotation specifies that a persistent property or field should be persisted as a enumerated type. The Enumerated annotation may be used in conjunction with the Basic annotation. The Enumerated annotation may be used in conjunction with the ElementCollection<sup>[95]</sup> annotation when the element collection value is of basic type.

An enum can be mapped as either a string or an integer<sup>[96]</sup>. The EnumType enum defines the mapping for enumerated types.

```
public enum EnumType {
    ORDINAL,
    STRING
}
```

If the enumerated type is not specified or the Enumerated annotation is not used, the enumerated type is assumed to be ORDINAL.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Enumerated {
        EnumType value() default ORDINAL;
}
```

Table 16 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the Enumerated annotation and their default values.

<sup>[95]</sup> If the element collection is a Map, this applies to the map value.

<sup>[96]</sup> Mapping of enum values that contain state is not supported.

 Table 16
 Enumerated Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
EnumType	value	(Optional) The type used in mapping an enum type.	ORDINAL

```
public enum EmployeeStatus {FULL_TIME, PART_TIME, CONTRACT}
public enum SalaryRate {JUNIOR, SENIOR, MANAGER, EXECUTIVE}
@Entity public class Employee {
         ...
        public EmployeeStatus getStatus() {...}
         @Enumerated(STRING)
        public SalaryRate getPayScale() {...}
         ...
}
```

If the status property is mapped to a column of integer type, and the payscale property to a column of varchar type, an instance that has a status of PART\_TIME and a pay rate of JUNIOR will be stored with STATUS set to 1 and PAYSCALE set to "JUNIOR".

# 11.1.17 GeneratedValue Annotation

The GeneratedValue annotation provides for the specification of generation strategies for the values of primary keys. The GeneratedValue annotation may be applied to a primary key property or field of an entity or mapped superclass in conjunction with the Id annotation. [97] The use of the GeneratedValue annotation is only required to be supported for simple primary keys. Use of the GeneratedValue annotation is not supported for derived primary keys.

Table 17 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the GeneratedValue annotation and their default values.

The types of primary key generation are defined by the GenerationType enum:

```
public enum GenerationType { TABLE, SEQUENCE, IDENTITY, AUTO };
```

The TABLE generator type value indicates that the persistence provider must assign primary keys for the entity using an underlying database table to ensure uniqueness.

The SEQUENCE and IDENTITY values specify the use of a database sequence or identity column, respectively.<sup>[98]</sup>

<sup>[97]</sup> Portable applications should not use the GeneratedValue annotation on other persistent fields or properties.

<sup>[98]</sup> Note that SEQUENCE and IDENTITY are not portable across all databases.

The further specification of table generators and sequence generators id described in sections 11.1.44 and 11.1.46.

The AUTO value indicates that the persistence provider should pick an appropriate strategy for the particular database. The AUTO generation strategy may expect a database resource to exist, or it may attempt to create one. A vendor may provide documentation on how to create such resources in the event that it does not support schema generation or cannot create the schema resource at runtime.

This specification does not define the exact behavior of these strategies.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface GeneratedValue {
    GenerationType strategy() default AUTO;
    String generator() default "";
}
```

### Table 17 Generated Value Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Generation- Type	strategy	(Optional) The primary key generation strategy that the persistence provider must use to generate the annotated entity primary key.	GenerationType.AUTO
String	generator	(Optional) The name of the primary key generator to use as specified in the SequenceGenerator or TableGenerator annotation.	Default primary key generator supplied by persistence provider.

#### Example 1:

```
@Id
@GeneratedValue(strategy=SEQUENCE, generator="CUST_SEQ")
@Column(name="CUST_ID")
public Long getId() { return id; }
```

#### Example 2:

```
@Id
@GeneratedValue(strategy=TABLE, generator="CUST_GEN")
@Column(name="CUST_ID")
Long id;
```

# 11.1.18 Id Annotation

The Id annotation specifies the primary key property or field of an entity. The Id annotation may be applied in an entity or mapped superclass.

The field or property to which the Id annotation is applied should be one of the following types: any Java primitive type; any primitive wrapper type; java.lang.String; java.util.Date; java.sql.Date; java.math.BigDecimal; java.math.BigInteger<sup>[99]</sup>. See section 2.4.

The mapped column for the primary key of the entity is assumed to be the primary key of the primary table. If no Column annotation is specified, the primary key column name is assumed to be the name of the primary key property or field.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Id {}

Example:

@Id
public Long getId() { return id; }
```

# 11.1.19 IdClass Annotation

The IdClass annotation is applied to an entity class or a mapped superclass to specify a composite primary key class that is mapped to multiple fields or properties of the entity.

The names of the fields or properties in the primary key class and the primary key fields or properties of the entity must correspond and their types must match according to the rules specified in Section 2.4, "Primary Keys and Entity Identity" and Section 2.4.1, "Primary Keys Corresponding to Derived Identities".

The Id annotation must also be applied to the corresponding fields or properties of the entity.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface IdClass {
    Class value();
}
```

Table 18 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the IdClass annotation.

### Table 18 IdClass Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Class	value	(Required) The composite primary key class.	

### **Example:**

```
@IdClass(com.acme.EmployeePK.class)
@Entity
public class Employee {
    @Id String empName;
    @Id Date birthDay;
...
}
```

<sup>[99]</sup> Primary keys using types other than these will not be portable. In general, floating point types should never be used in primary keys.

### 11.1.20 Inheritance Annotation

The Inheritance annotation defines the inheritance strategy to be used for an entity class hierarchy. It is specified on the entity class that is the root of the entity class hierarchy.

If the Inheritance annotation is not specified or if no inheritance type is specified for an entity class hierarchy, the SINGLE TABLE mapping strategy is used.

Support for the combination of inheritance strategies is not required by this specification. Portable applications should only use a single inheritance strategy within an entity hierarchy.

The three inheritance mapping strategies are the single table per class hierarchy, joined subclass, and table per concrete class strategies. See Section 2.12 for a more detailed discussion of inheritance strategies.

The inheritance strategy options are defined by the InheritanceType enum:

Support for the TABLE PER CLASS mapping strategy is optional in this release.

Table 19 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the Inheritance annotation and their default values.

#### Table 19 Inheritance Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Inheritance Type	strategy	(Optional) The inheritance strategy to use for the entity inheritance hierarchy.	InheritanceType.SINGLE_TABLE

# **Example:**

```
@Entity
@Inheritance(strategy=JOINED)
public class Customer { ... }

@Entity
public class ValuedCustomer extends Customer { ... }
```

# 11.1.21 JoinColumn Annotation

The JoinColumn annotation is used to specify a column for joining an entity association or element collection.

Table 20 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the JoinColumn annotation and their default values.

If the JoinColumn annotation itself is defaulted, a single join column is assumed and the default values described in Table 20 apply.

The name annotation element defines the name of the foreign key column. The remaining annotation elements (other than referencedColumnName) refer to this column and have the same semantics as for the Column annotation.

If the referencedColumnName element is missing, the foreign key is assumed to refer to the primary key of the referenced table.

Support for referenced columns that are not primary key columns of the referenced table is optional. Applications that use such mappings will not be portable.

If there is more than one join column, a JoinColumn annotation must be specified for each join column using the JoinColumns annotation. Both the name and the referencedColumnName elements must be specified in each such JoinColumn annotation.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface JoinColumn {
    String name() default "";
    String referencedColumnName() default "";
    boolean unique() default false;
    boolean nullable() default true;
    boolean insertable() default true;
    boolean updatable() default true;
    String columnDefinition() default "";
    String table() default "";
}
```

 Table 20
 JoinColumn Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the foreign key column. The table in which it is found depends upon the context. If the join is for a OneToOne or ManyToOne mapping using a foreign key mapping strategy, the foreign key column is in the table of the source entity or embeddable. If the join is for a unidirectional OneToMany mapping using a foreign key mapping strategy, the foreign key is in the table of the target entity. If the join is for a ManyToMany mapping or for a OneToOne or bidirectional ManyToOne/OneToMany mapping using a join table, the foreign key is in a join table. If the join is for an element collection, the foreign key is in a collection table.	(Default only applies if a single join column is used.) The concatenation of the following: the name of the referencing relationship property or field of the referencing entity or embeddable class; "_"; the name of the referenced primary key column. If there is no such referencing relationship property or field in the entity, or if the join is for an element collection, the join column name is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the entity; "_"; the name of the referenced primary key column.
String	referencedCol- umnName	(Optional) The name of the column referenced by this foreign key column. When used with entity relationship mappings other than the cases described below, the referenced column is in the table of the target entity. When used with a unidirectional OneToMany foreign key mapping, the referenced column is in the table of the source entity. When used inside a JoinTable annotation, the referenced key column is in the entity table of the owning entity, or inverse entity if the join is part of the inverse join definition. When used in a collection table mapping, the referenced column is in the table of the entity containing the collection.	(Default only applies if single join column is being used.) The same name as the primary key column of the referenced table.
boolean	unique	(Optional) Whether the property is a unique key. This is a shortcut for the UniqueConstraint annotation at the table level and is useful for when the unique key constraint is only a single field. It is not necessary to explicitly specify this for a join column that corresponds to a primary key that is part of a foreign key.	false
boolean	nullable	(Optional) Whether the foreign key column is nullable.	true
boolean	insertable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL INSERT statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
boolean	updatable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL UPDATE statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
String	columnDefini- tion	(Optional) The SQL fragment that is used when generating the DDL for the column.	Generated SQL for the column.

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	table	(Optional) The name of the table that contains the column.	If the join is for a OneToOne or ManyToOne mapping using a foreign key mapping strategy, the name of the table of the source entity or embeddable. If the join is for a unidirectional OneToMany mapping using a foreign key mapping strategy, the name of the table of the target entity. If the join is for a ManyToMany mapping or for a OneToOne or bidirectional ManyToOne/OneToMany mapping using a join table, the name of the join table. If the join is for an element collection, the name of the collection table.

#### Example 1:

```
@ManyToOne
@JoinColumn(name="ADDR_ID")
public Address getAddress() { return address; }
```

**Example 2:** Unidirectional One-to-Many association using a foreign key mapping.

In Customer class:

```
@OneToMany
@JoinColumn(name="CUST_ID") // join column is in table for Order
public Set<Order> getOrders() {return orders;}
```

# 11.1.22 JoinColumns Annotation

Composite foreign keys are supported by means of the JoinColumns annotation. The JoinColumns annotation groups JoinColumn annotations for the same relationship.

When the JoinColumns annotation is used, both the name and the referencedColumnName elements must be specified in each of the grouped JoinColumn annotations.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface JoinColumns {
    JoinColumn[] value();
}
```

Table 21 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the JoinColumns annotation.

 Table 21
 JoinColumns Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
JoinColumn[]	value	(Required) The join columns that map the relationship.	

```
@ManyToOne
@JoinColumns({
     @JoinColumn(name="ADDR_ID", referencedColumnName="ID"),
     @JoinColumn(name="ADDR_ZIP", referencedColumnName="ZIP")
})
public Address getAddress() { return address; }
```

### 11.1.23 JoinTable Annotation

The JoinTable annotation is used in the mapping of entity associations. A JoinTable annotation is specified on the owning side of the association. A join table is typically used in the mapping of many-to-many and unidirectional one-to-many associations. It may also be used to map bidirectional many-to-one/one-to-many associations, unidirectional many-to-one relationships, and one-to-one associations (both bidirectional and unidirectional).

Table 22 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the JoinTable annotation and their default values.

If the JoinTable annotation is not explicitly specified for the mapping of a many-to-many or unidirectional one-to-many relationship, the default values of the annotation elements apply.

The name of the join table is assumed to be the table names of the associated primary tables concatenated together (owning side first) using an underscore.

When a join table is used in mapping a relationship with an embeddable class on the owning side of the relationship, the containing entity rather than the embeddable class is considered the owner of the relationship.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface JoinTable {
    String name() default "";
    String catalog() default "";
    String schema() default "";
    JoinColumn[] joinColumns() default {};
    JoinColumn[] inverseJoinColumns() default {};
    UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
}
```

 Table 22
 JoinTable Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the join table.	The concatenated names of the two associated primary entity tables (owning side first), separated by an under- score.
String	catalog	(Optional) The catalog of the table.	Default catalog.
String	schema	(Optional) The schema of the table.	Default schema for user.
JoinColumn[]	joinColumns	(Optional) The foreign key columns of the join table which reference the primary table of the entity owning the association (i.e. the owning side of the association).	The same defaults as for JoinColumn.
JoinColumn[]	inverseJoinColumns	(Optional) The foreign key columns of the join table which reference the primary table of the entity that does not own the association (i.e. the inverse side of the association).	The same defaults as for JoinColumn.
UniqueCon- straint[]	uniqueConstraints	(Optional) Unique constraints that are to be placed on the table. These are only used if table generation is in effect.	No additional constraints

```
@JoinTable(
    name="CUST_PHONE",
    joinColumns=
        @JoinColumn(name="CUST_ID", referencedColumnName="ID"),
    inverseJoinColumns=
        @JoinColumn(name="PHONE_ID", referencedColumnName="ID"))
```

# 11.1.24 Lob Annotation

A Lob annotation specifies that a persistent property or field should be persisted as a large object to a database-supported large object type. Portable applications should use the Lob annotation when mapping to a database Lob type. The Lob annotation may be used in conjunction with the Basic annotation or with the ElementCollection<sup>[100]</sup> annotation when the element collection value is of basic type. A Lob may be either a binary or character type. The Lob type is inferred from the type of the persistent field or property and, except for string and character types, defaults to Blob.

[100] If the element collection is a Map, this applies to the map value.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Lob {
}

Example 1:

@Lob @Basic(fetch=EAGER)
@Column(name="REPORT")
protected String report;

Example 2:

@Lob @Basic(fetch=LAZY)
@Column(name="EMP_PIC", columnDefinition="BLOB NOT NULL")
protected byte[] pic;
```

# 11.1.25 ManyToMany Annotation

A ManyToMany annotation defines a many-valued association with many-to-many multiplicity. If the collection is defined using generics to specify the element type, the associated target entity class does not need to be specified; otherwise it must be specified.

Every many-to-many association has two sides, the owning side and the non-owning, or inverse, side. If the association is bidirectional, either side may be designated as the owning side. If the relationship is bidirectional, the non-owning side must use the mappedBy element of the ManyToMany annotation to specify the relationship field or property of the owning side.

The join table for the relationship, if not defaulted, is specified on the owning side.

The ManyToMany annotation may be used within an embeddable class contained within an entity class to specify a relationship to a collection of entities<sup>[101]</sup>. If the relationship is bidirectional and the entity containing the embeddable class is the owner of the relationship, the non-owning side must use the mappedBy element of the ManyToMany annotation to specify the relationship field or property of the embeddable class. The dot (".") notation syntax must be used in the mappedBy element to indicate the relationship attribute within the embedded attribute. The value of each identifier used with the dot notation is the name of the respective embedded field or property.

Table 23 lists these annotation elements that may be specified for the ManyToMany annotation and their default values.

The cascade element specifies the set of cascadable operations that are propagated to the associated entity. The operations that are cascadable are defined by the CascadeType enum:

```
public enum CascadeType { ALL, PERSIST, MERGE, REMOVE, REFRESH, DETACH};
```

The value cascade=ALL is equivalent to cascade={PERSIST, MERGE, REMOVE, REFRESH, DETACH}.

<sup>[101]</sup> The ManyToMany annotation must not be used within an embeddable class used in an element collection.

When the collection is a java.util.Map, the cascade element applies to the map value.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface ManyToMany {
    Class targetEntity() default void.class;
    CascadeType[] cascade() default {};
    FetchType fetch() default LAZY;
    String mappedBy() default "";
}
```

The EAGER strategy is a requirement on the persistence provider runtime that the associated entity must be eagerly fetched. The LAZY strategy is a *hint* to the persistence provider runtime that the associated entity should be fetched lazily when it is first accessed. The implementation is permitted to eagerly fetch associations for which the LAZY strategy hint has been specified.

 Table 23
 ManyToMany Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Class	targetEntity	(Optional) The entity class that is the target of the association. Optional only if the collection-valued relationship property is defined using Java generics. Must be specified otherwise.	The parameterized type of the collection when defined using generics.
CascadeType[]	cascade	(Optional) The operations that must be cascaded to the target of the association.	No operations are cascaded.
FetchType	fetch	(Optional) Whether the association should be lazily loaded or must be eagerly fetched. The EAGER strategy is a requirement on the persistence provider runtime that the associated entities must be eagerly fetched. The LAZY strategy is a hint to the persistence provider runtime.	LAZY
String	mappedBy	The field or property that owns the relationship. Required unless the relationship is unidirectional.	

# Example 1:

In Customer class:

```
@ManyToMany
@JoinTable(name="CUST_PHONES")
public Set<PhoneNumber> getPhones() { return phones; }
In PhoneNumber class:
@ManyToMany(mappedBy="phones")
public Set<Customer> getCustomers() { return customers; }
```

### Example 2:

```
In Customer class:
@ManyToMany(targetEntity=com.acme.PhoneNumber.class)
public Set getPhones() { return phones; }
In PhoneNumber class:
@ManyToMany(targetEntity=com.acme.Customer.class, mappedBy="phones")
public Set getCustomers() { return customers; }
Example 3:
In Customer class:
@ManyToMany
@JoinTable(
    name="CUST_PHONE",
     joinColumns=
         @JoinColumn(name="CUST_ID", referencedColumnName="ID"),
    inverseJoinColumns=
         @JoinColumn(name="PHONE ID", referencedColumnName="ID")
public Set<PhoneNumber> getPhones() { return phones; }
In PhoneNumberClass:
@ManyToMany(mappedBy="phones")
public Set<Customer> getCustomers() { return customers; }
Example 4:
Embeddable class used by the Employee entity specifies a many-to-many relationship.
@Entity
public class Employee {
   @Id int id;
   @Embedded ContactInfo contactInfo;
}
@Embeddable
public class ContactInfo {
   @ManyToOne Address address; // Unidirectional
   @ManyToMany List<PhoneNumber> phoneNumbers; // Bidirectional
}
@Entity
public class PhoneNumber {
   @Id int phNumber;
   @ManyToMany(mappedBy="contactInfo.phoneNumbers")
   Collection < Employee > employees;
```

# 11.1.26 ManyToOne Annotation

The ManyToOne annotation defines a single-valued association to another entity class that has many-to-one multiplicity. It is not normally necessary to specify the target entity explicitly since it can usually be inferred from the type of the object being referenced.

The ManyToOne annotation may be used within an embeddable class to specify a relationship from the embeddable class to an entity class. If the relationship is bidirectional, the non-owning OneToMany entity side must use the mappedBy element of the OneToMany annotation to specify the relationship field or property of the embeddable field or property on the owning side of the relationship. The dot (".") notation syntax must be used in the mappedBy element to indicate the relationship attribute within the embedded attribute. The value of each identifier used with the dot notation is the name of the respective embedded field or property.

Table 24 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the ManyToOne annotation and their default values.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface ManyToOne {
    Class targetEntity() default void.class;
    CascadeType[] cascade() default {};
    FetchType fetch() default EAGER;
    boolean optional() default true;
}
```

The operations that can be cascaded are defined by the CascadeType enum, defined in section 11.1.25.

The EAGER strategy is a requirement on the persistence provider runtime that the associated entity must be eagerly fetched. The LAZY strategy is a *hint* to the persistence provider runtime that the associated entity should be fetched lazily when it is first accessed. The implementation is permitted to eagerly fetch associations for which the LAZY strategy hint has been specified.

 Table 24
 ManyToOne Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Class	targetEntity	(Optional) The entity class that is the target of the association.	The type of the field or property that stores the association.
CascadeType[]	cascade	(Optional) The operations that must be cascaded to the target of the association.	No operations are cas- caded.
FetchType	fetch	(Optional) Whether the association should be lazily loaded or must be eagerly fetched. The EAGER strategy is a requirement on the persistence provider runtime that the associated entity must be eagerly fetched. The LAZY strategy is a hint to the persistence provider runtime.	EAGER

Туре	Name	Description	Default
boolean	optional	(Optional) Whether the association is optional. If set to false then a non-null relationship must always exist.	true

# Example 1:

```
@ManyToOne(optional=false)
@JoinColumn(name="CUST_ID", nullable=false, updatable=false)
public Customer getCustomer() { return customer; }
Example 2:
@Entity
public class Employee {
   @Id int id;
   @Embedded JobInfo jobInfo;
@Embeddable
public class JobInfo {
   String jobDescription;
   @ManyToOne ProgramManager pm; // Bidirectional
@Entity
public class ProgramManager {
   @Id int id;
   @OneToMany(mappedBy="jobInfo.pm")
   Collection < Employee > manages;
}
```

# 11.1.27 MapKey Annotation

The MapKey annotation is used to specify the map key for associations of type java.util.Map when the map key is itself the primary key or a persistent field or property of the entity that is the value of the map.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface MapKey {
   String name() default "";
}
```

The name element designates the name of the persistent field or property of the associated entity that is used as the map key. If the name element is not specified, the primary key of the associated entity is used as the map key. If the primary key is a composite primary key and is mapped as IdClass, an instance of the primary key class is used as the key.

If a persistent field or property other than the primary key is used as a map key, it is expected to be unique within the context of the relationship.

The MapKeyClass annotation is not used when MapKey is specified and vice versa.

Table 25 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the MapKey annotation.

 Table 25
 MapKey Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the persistent field or property that is used as the map key.	The primary key is used as the map key.

# Example 1:

```
@Entity
public class Department {
    @OneToMany(mappedBy="department")
    @MapKey // map key is primary key
    public Map<Integer, Employee> getEmployees() {... }
}
@Entity
public class Employee {
    @Id public Integer getEmpId() { ... }
    @ManyToOne
    @JoinColumn(name="dept_id")
    public Department getDepartment() { ... }
}
Example 2:
@Entity
public class Department {
    @OneToMany(mappedBy="department")
    @MapKey(name="name")
    public Map<String, Employee> getEmployees() {... }
 }
@Entity
public class Employee {
    @Id public Integer getEmpId() { ... }
    public String getName() { ... }
    @ManyToOne
    @JoinColumn(name="dept_id")
    public Department getDepartment() { ... }
}
```

# 11.1.28 MapKeyClass Annotation

The MapKeyClass annotation is used to specify the type of the map key for associations of type java.util.Map. The map key can be a basic type, an embeddable class, or an entity. If the map is specified using Java generics, the MapKeyClass annotation and associated type need not be specified; otherwise they must be specified.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface MapKeyClass {
   Class value();
}
```

The MapKeyClass annotation is used in conjunction with ElementCollection or one of the collection-valued relationship annotations (OneToMany or ManyToMany).

The MapKey annotation is not used when MapKeyClass is specified and vice versa.

Table 26 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the MapKeyClass annotation.

### Table 26 MapKeyClass Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Class	value	(Required) The type of the map key.	

#### Example 1:

public class Item {
 @Id int id;

@ElementCollection

Map<String, String> images;

```
@Entity
public class Item {
    @Id int id;
    ...
    @ElementCollection(targetClass=String.class)
    @MapKeyClass(String.class)
    Map images; // map from image name to image filename
    ...
}

Example 2:
// MapKeyClass and target type of relationship can be defaulted
@Entity
```

```
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```

# Example 3:

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```
@Entity
public class Company {
    @Id int id;
    ...
    @OneToMany(targetEntity=com.example.VicePresident.class)
    @MapKeyClass(com.example.Division.class)
    Map organization;
}

Example 4:

// MapKeyClass and target type of relationship are defaulted
@Entity
public class Company {
    @Id int id;
    ...
    @OneToMany
    Map<Division, VicePresident> organization;
}
```

# 11.1.29 MapKeyColumn Annotation

The MapKeyColumn annotation is used to specify the mapping for the key column of a map whose map key is a basic type. If the name element is not specified, it defaults to the concatenation of the following: the name of the referencing relationship field or property; "\_"; "KEY".

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface MapKeyColumn {
   String name() default "";
   boolean unique() default false;
   boolean nullable() default false;
   boolean insertable() default true;
   boolean updatable() default true;
   String columnDefinition() default "";
   String table() default "";
   int length() default 255;
   int precision() default 0; // decimal precision
   int scale() default 0; // decimal scale
}
```

If no MapKeyColumn annotation is specified, the default values in Table 27 apply.

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 Table 27
 MapKeyColumn Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the map key column. The table in which it is found depends upon the context. If the map key is for an element collection, the map key column is in the collection table for the map value. If the map key is for a Many ToMany entity relationship or for a One ToMany entity relationship using a join table, the map key column is in a join table. If the map key is for a One ToMany entity relationship using a foreign key mapping strategy, the map key column is in the table of the entity that is the value of the map.	The concatenation of the following: the name of the referencing property or field name; "_"; "KEY".
boolean	unique	(Optional) Whether the column is a unique key. This is a shortcut for the UniqueConstraint annotation at the table level and is useful for when the unique key constraint corresponds to only a single column. This constraint applies in addition to any constraint entailed by primary key mapping and to constraints specified at the table level.	false
boolean	nullable	(Optional) Whether the database column is nullable.	true
boolean	insertable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL INSERT statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
boolean	updatable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL UPDATE statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
String	columnDefinition	(Optional) The SQL fragment that is used when generating the DDL for the column.	Generated SQL to create a column of the inferred type.
String	table	(Optional) The name of the table that contains the column.	If the map key is for an element collection, the name of the collection table for the map value. If the map key is for a OneToMany or ManyToMany entity relationship using a join table, the name of the join table for the map. If the map key is for a OneToMany entity relationship using a foreign key mapping strategy, the name of the primary table of the entity that is the value of the map.
int	length	(Optional) The column length. (Applies only if a string-valued column is used.)	255

Type	Name	Description	Default
int	precision	(Optional) The precision for a decimal (exact numeric) column. (Applies only if a decimal column is used.)	0 (Value must be set by developer.)
int	scale	(Optional) The scale for a decimal (exact numeric) column. (Applies only if a decimal column is used.)	0

```
@Entity
public class Item {
    @Id int id;
    ...
    @ElementCollection
    @MapKeyColumn(name="IMAGE_NAME")
    @Column(name="IMAGE_FILENAME")
    @CollectionTable(name="IMAGE_MAPPING")
    Map<String, String> images; // map from image name to filename
    ...
}
```

# 11.1.30 MapKeyEnumerated Annotation

The MapKeyEnumerated annotation is used to specify the enum type for a map key whose basic type is an enumerated type.

The MapKeyEnumerated annotation can be applied to an element collection or relationship of type java.util.Map, in conjunction with the ElementCollection, OneToMany, or ManyToMany annotation. If the map is specified using Java generics, the MapKeyClass annotation and associated type need not be specified; otherwise they must be specified.

If the enumerated type is not specified or the MapKeyEnumerated annotation is not used, the enumerated type is assumed to be ORDINAL.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface MapKeyEnumerated {
    EnumType value() default ORDINAL;
}
```

Table 28 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the MapKeyEnumerated annotation and their default values. The EnumType enum is defined in section 11.1.16.

 Table 28
 MapKeyEnumerated Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
EnumType	value	(Optional) The type used in mapping an enum type.	ORDINAL

# 11.1.31 MapKeyJoinColumn Annotation

The MapKeyJoinColumn annotation is used to specify a mapping to an entity that is a map key. The map key join column is in the collection table, join table, or table of the target entity that is used to represent the map.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface MapKeyJoinColumn {
   String name() default "";
   String referencedColumnName() default "";
   boolean unique() default false;
   boolean nullable() default false;
   boolean insertable() default true;
   boolean updatable() default true;
   String columnDefinition() default "";
   String table() default "";
}
```

Table 29 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the MapKeyJoinColumn annotation and their default values.

If no MapKeyJoinColumn annotation is specified, a single join column is assumed and the default values described below (and in Table 29) apply.

The name annotation element defines the name of the foreign key column. The remaining annotation elements (other than referencedColumnName) refer to this column.

If there is a single map key join column, and if the name annotation member is missing, the map key join column name is formed as the concatenation of the following: the name of the referencing relationship property or field of the referencing entity or embeddable; "\_"; "KEY".

If the referencedColumnName element is missing, the foreign key is assumed to refer to the primary key of the referenced table. Support for referenced columns that are not primary key columns of the referenced table is optional. Applications that use such mappings will not be portable.

If there is more than one map key join column, a MapKeyJoinColumn annotation must be specified for each join column using the MapKeyJoinColumns annotation. Both the name and the referencedColumnName elements must be specified in each such MapKeyJoinColumn annotation.

 Table 29
 MapKeyJoinColumn Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the foreign key column for the map key. The table in which it is found depends upon the context. If the join is for a map key for an element collection, the foreign key column is in the collection table for the map value. If the join is for a map key for a ManyToMany entity relationship or for a OneToMany entity relationship using a join table, the foreign key column is in a join table. If the join is for a OneToMany entity relationship using a foreign key mapping strategy, the foreign key column for the map key is in the table of the entity that is the value of the map.	(Default only applies if a single join column is used.) The concatenation of the following: the name of the referencing relationship property or field of the referencing entity or embeddable class; "_"; "KEY".
String	referencedColumnName	(Optional) The name of the column referenced by this foreign key column. The referenced column is in the table of the target entity.	(Default only applies if single join column is being used.) The same name as the primary key column of the referenced table.
boolean	unique	(Optional) Whether the property is a unique key. This is a shortcut for the UniqueConstraint annotation at the table level and is useful for when the unique key constraint is only a single field.	false
boolean	nullable	(Optional) Whether the foreign key column is nullable.	true
boolean	insertable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL INSERT statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
boolean	updatable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL UPDATE statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
String	columnDefinition	(Optional) The SQL fragment that is used when generating the DDL for the column.	Generated SQL for the column.
String	table	(Optional) The name of the table that contains the foreign key column. If the join is for a map key for an element collection, the foreign key column is in the collection table for the map value. If the join is for a map key for a ManyToMany entity relationship or for a OneToMany entity relationship using a join table, the foreign key column is in a join table. If the join is for a OneToMany entity relationship using a foreign key mapping strategy, the foreign key column for the map key is in the table of the entity that is the value of the map.	If the map is for an element collection, the name of the collection table for the map value. If the map is for a OneToMany or ManyToMany entity relationship using a join table, the name of the join table for the map. If the map is for a OneToMany entity relationship using a foreign key mapping strategy, the name of the primary table of the entity that is the value of the map.

```
Example 1:
@Entity
public class Company {
  @Id int id;
               // unidirectional
  @OneToMany
  @JoinTable(
     name="COMPANY_ORGANIZATION",
     joinColumns=@JoinColumn(name="COMPANY"),
     inverseJoinColumns=@JoinColumn(name="VICEPRESIDENT"))
  @MapKeyJoinColumn(name="DIVISION")
  Map<Division, VicePresident> organization;
Example 2:
@Entity
public class VideoStore {
  @Id int id;
  String name;
  Address location;
  @ElementCollection
  @CollectionTable(name="INVENTORY",
                   joinColumns=@JoinColumn(name="STORE"))
  @Column(name="COPIES_IN_STOCK")
  @MapKeyJoinColumn(name="MOVIE", referencedColumnName="ID")
  Map<Movie, Integer> videoInventory;
@Entity
public class Movie {
  @Id long id;
  String title;
Example 3:
@Entity
public class Student {
  @Id int studentId;
  @ManyToMany // students and courses are also many-many
  @JoinTable(name="ENROLLMENTS",
             joinColumns=@JoinColumn(name="STUDENT"),
             inverseJoinColumns=@JoinColumn(name="SEMESTER"))
  @MapKeyJoinColumn(name="COURSE")
  Map<Course, Semester> enrollment;
```

# 11.1.32 MapKeyJoinColumns Annotation

Composite map keys referencing entities are supported by means of the MapKeyJoinColumns annotation. The MapKeyJoinColumns annotation groups MapKeyJoinColumn annotations.

When the MapKeyJoinColumns annotation is used, both the name and the referencedColumnName elements must be specified in each of the grouped MapKeyJoinColumn annotations.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface MapKeyJoinColumns {
         MapKeyJoinColumn[] value();
}
```

Table 30 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the MapKeyJoinColumns annotation.

# Table 30 MapKeyJoinColumns Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
MapKeyJoin- Column[]	value	(Required) The map key join columns that are used to map to the entity that is the map key.	

# 11.1.33 MapKeyTemporal Annotation

The MapKeyTemporal annotation is used to specify the temporal type for a map key whose basic type is a temporal type.

The MapKeyTemporal annotation can be applied to an element collection or relationship of type java.util.Map, in conjunction with the ElementCollection, OneToMany, or ManyToMany annotation. If the map is specified using Java generics, the MapKeyClass annotation and associated type need not be specified; otherwise they must be specified.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface MapKeyTemporal {
    TemporalType value();
}
```

Table 31 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the MapKeyTemporal annotation and their default values. The Temporal Type enum is defined in section 11.1.47.

 Table 31
 MapKeyTemporal Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
TemporalType	value	(Required) The type used in mapping java.util.Date or java.util.Calendar.	

# 11.1.34 MappedSuperclass Annotation

The MappedSuperclass annotation designates a class whose mapping information is applied to the entities that inherit from it. A mapped superclass has no separate table defined for it.

A class designated with the MappedSuperclass annotation can be mapped in the same way as an entity except that the mappings will apply only to its subclasses since no table exists for the mapped superclass itself. When applied to the subclasses the inherited mappings will apply in the context of the subclass tables. Mapping information may be overridden in such subclasses by using the AttributeOverride, AttributeOverrides, AssociationOverride, and AssociationOverrides annotations.

```
@Documented @Target(TYPE) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface MappedSuperclass {}
```

# 11.1.35 MapsId Annotation

The MapsId annotation is used to designate a ManyToOne or OneToOne relationship attribute that provides the mapping for an EmbeddedId primary key, an attribute within an EmbeddedId primary key, or a simple primary key of the parent entity.

The value element specifies the attribute within a composite key to which the relationship attribute corresponds. If the entity's primary key is of the same Java type as the primary key of the entity referenced by the relationship, the value attribute is not specified.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface MapsId {
   String value() default "";
}
```

Table 32 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the Maps Id annotation.

#### **Table 32** MapsId Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	value	(Optional) The name of the attribute within the composite key to which the relationship attribute corresponds.	The relationship maps the entity's primary key.

# Example:

```
// parent entity has simple primary key
@Entity
public class Employee {
   @Id long empId;
   String name;
   ...
}
```

```
// dependent entity uses EmbeddedId for composite key

@Embeddable
public class DependentId {
   String name;
   long empid; // corresponds to PK type of Employee
}

@Entity
public class Dependent {
   @EmbeddedId DependentId id;
   ...
   @MapsId("empid") // maps the empid attribute of embedded id
   @ManyToOne Employee emp;
}
```

# 11.1.36 OneToMany Annotation

A OneToMany annotation defines a many-valued association with one-to-many multiplicity.

Table 33 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the OneToMany annotation and their default values.

If the collection is defined using generics to specify the element type, the associated target entity class need not be specified; otherwise it must be specified.

The OneToMany annotation may be used within an embeddable class contained within an entity class to specify a relationship to a collection of entities<sup>[102]</sup>. If the relationship is bidirectional, the mappedBy element must be used to specify the relationship field or property of the entity that is the owner of the relationship.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface OneToMany {
   Class targetEntity() default void.class;
   CascadeType[] cascade() default {};
   FetchType fetch() default LAZY;
   String mappedBy() default "";
   boolean orphanRemoval() default false;
}
```

The operations that can be cascaded are defined by the CascadeType enum, defined in section 11.1.25.

When the collection is a java.util.Map, the cascade element and the orphanRemoval element apply to the map *value*.

<sup>[102]</sup> The OneToMany annotation must not be used within an embeddable class used in an element collection.

If orphanRemoval is true and an entity that is the target of the relationship is removed from the relationship (either by removal from the collection or by setting the relationship to null), the remove operation will be applied to the entity being orphaned. If the entity being orphaned is a detached, new, or removed entity, the semantics of orphanRemoval do not apply.

If orphanRemoval is true and the remove operation is applied to the source entity, the remove operation will be cascaded to the relationship target in accordance with the rules of section 3.2.3, (and hence it is not necessary to specify cascade=REMOVE for the relationship)<sup>[103]</sup>.

The remove operation is applied at the time of the flush operation. The orphanRemoval functionality is intended for entities that are privately "owned" by their parent entity. Portable applications must otherwise not depend upon a specific order of removal, and must not reassign an entity that has been orphaned to another relationship or otherwise attempt to persist it.

The default mapping for unidirectional one-to-many relationships uses a join table, as described in Section 2.10.5. Unidirectional one-to-many relationships may be implemented using one-to-many foreign key mappings, using the JoinColumn and JoinColumns annotations.

 Table 33
 OneToMany Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Class	targetEntity	(Optional) The entity class that is the target of the association. Optional only if the collection-valued relationship property is defined using Java generics. Must be specified otherwise.	The parameterized type of the collection when defined using generics.
CascadeType[]	cascade	(Optional) The operations that must be cascaded to the target of the association.	No operations are cascaded.
FetchType	fetch	(Optional) Whether the association should be lazily loaded or must be eagerly fetched. The EAGER strategy is a requirement on the persistence provider runtime that the associated entities must be eagerly fetched. The LAZY strategy is a hint to the persistence provider runtime.	LAZY
String	mappedBy	The field or property that owns the relationship. Required unless the relationship is unidirectional.	
boolean	orphanRe- moval	(Optional) Whether to apply the remove operation to entities that have been removed from the relationship and to cascade the remove operation to those entities.	false

<sup>[103]</sup> If the parent is detached or new or was previously removed before the orphan was associated with it, the remove operation is not applied to the entity being orphaned.

Example 1: One-to-Many association using generics

```
In Customer class:
@OneToMany(cascade=ALL, mappedBy="customer", orphanRemoval=true)
public Set<Order> getOrders() { return orders; }
In Order class:
@ManyToOne
@JoinColumn(name="CUST_ID", nullable=false)
public Customer getCustomer() { return customer; }
Example 2: One-to-Many association without using generics
In Customer class:
@OneToMany(
     targetEntity=com.acme.Order.class,
     cascade=ALL,
     mappedBy="customer",
     orphanRemoval=true
public Set getOrders() { return orders; }
In Order class:
@ManyToOne
@JoinColumn(name="CUST ID", nullable=false)
protected Customer customer;
Example 3: Unidirectional One-to-Many association using a foreign key mapping
In Customer class:
@OneToMany(orphanRemoval=true)
@JoinColumn(name="CUST_ID") // join column is in table for Order
```

## 11.1.37 OneToOne Annotation

The OneToOne annotation defines a single-valued association to another entity that has one-to-one multiplicity. It is not normally necessary to specify the associated target entity explicitly since it can usually be inferred from the type of the object being referenced.

If the relationship is bidirectional, the mappedBy element must be used to specify the relationship field or property of the entity that is the owner of the relationship.

public Set<Order> getOrders() {return orders;}

The OneToOne annotation may be used within an embeddable class to specify a relationship from the embeddable class to an entity class. If the relationship is bidirectional and the entity containing the embeddable class is on the owning side of the relationship, the non-owning side must use the mappedBy element of the OneToOne annotation to specify the relationship field or property of the embeddable class. The dot (".") notation syntax must be used in the mappedBy element to indicate the relationship attribute within the embedded attribute. The value of each identifier used with the dot notation is the name of the respective embedded field or property.

Table 34 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the OneToOne annotation and their default values.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface OneToOne {
    Class targetEntity() default void.class;
    CascadeType[] cascade() default {};
    FetchType fetch() default EAGER;
    boolean optional() default true;
    String mappedBy() default "";
    boolean orphanRemoval() default false;
}
```

The operations that can be cascaded are defined by the CascadeType enum, defined in section 11.1.25.

If orphanRemoval is true and an entity that is the target of the relationship is removed from the relationship (by setting the relationship to null), the remove operation will be applied to the entity being orphaned. If the entity being orphaned is a detached, new, or removed entity, the semantics of orphanRemoval do not apply.

If orphanRemoval is true and the remove operation is applied to the source entity, the remove operation will be cascaded to the relationship target in accordance with the rules of section 3.2.3, (and hence it is not necessary to specify cascade=REMOVE for the relationship)<sup>[104]</sup>.

The remove operation is applied at the time of the flush operation. The orphanRemoval functionality is intended for entities that are privately "owned" by their parent entity. Portable applications must otherwise not depend upon a specific order of removal, and must not reassign an entity that has been orphaned to another relationship or otherwise attempt to persist it.

**Table 34** One ToOne Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Class	targetEntity	(Optional) The entity class that is the target of the association.	The type of the field or property that stores the association.

<sup>[104]</sup> If the parent is detached or new or was previously removed before the orphan was associated with it, the remove operation is not applied to the entity being orphaned.

Туре	Name	Description	Default
CascadeType[]	cascade	(Optional) The operations that must be cascaded to the target of the association.	No operations are cascaded.
FetchType	fetch	(Optional) Whether the association should be lazily loaded or must be eagerly fetched. The EAGER strategy is a requirement on the persistence provider runtime that the associated entity must be eagerly fetched. The LAZY strategy is a hint to the persistence provider runtime.	EAGER
boolean	optional	(Optional) Whether the association is optional. If set to false then a non-null relationship must always exist.	true
String	mappedBy	(Optional) The field or property that owns the relationship. The mappedBy element is only specified on the inverse (non-owning) side of the association.	
boolean	orphanRe- moval	(Optional) Whether to apply the remove operation to entities that have been removed from the relationship and to cascade the remove operation to those entities.	false

**Example 1:** One-to-one association that maps a foreign key column.

#### On Customer class:

```
@OneToOne(optional=false)
@JoinColumn(
    name="CUSTREC_ID", unique=true, nullable=false, updatable=false)
public CustomerRecord getCustomerRecord() { return customerRecord; }
```

#### On CustomerRecord class:

```
@OneToOne(optional=false, mappedBy="customerRecord")
public Customer getCustomer() { return customer; }
```

**Example 2:** One-to-one association where both source and target share the same primary key values.

# On Employee class:

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
    @Id Integer id;

    @OneToOne(orphanRemoval=true)
    @MapsId
    EmployeeInfo info;
    ...
}
```

On EmployeeInfo class:

```
@Entity
public class EmployeeInfo {
    @Id Integer id;
    ...
}
```

**Example 3:** One-to-one association from an embeddable class to another entity.

```
@Entity
public class Employee {
    @Id int id;
    @Embedded LocationDetails location;
    ...
}

@Embeddable
public class LocationDetails {
    int officeNumber;
    @OneToOne ParkingSpot parkingSpot;
    ...
}

@Entity
public class ParkingSpot {
    @Id int id;
    String garage;
    @OneToOne(mappedBy="location.parkingSpot") Employee assignedTo;
    ...
}
```

## 11.1.38 OrderBy Annotation

The OrderBy annotation specifies the ordering the elements of a collection-valued association or element collection are to have when the association or collection is retrieved.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface OrderBy {
   String value() default "";
}
```

The syntax of the value ordering element is an *orderby\_list*, as follows:

```
orderby_list::= orderby_item [,orderby_item]*
orderby_item::= [property_or_field_name] [ASC | DESC]
```

If *orderby\_list* is not specified or if ASC or DESC is not specified, ASC (ascending order) is assumed.

If the ordering element is not specified for an entity association, ordering by the primary key of the associated entity is assumed. [105]

A property or field name specified as an *orderby\_item* must correspond to a basic persistent property or field of the associated class or embedded class within it. The properties or fields used in the ordering must correspond to columns for which comparison operators are supported.

The dot (".") notation is used to refer to an attribute within an embedded attribute. The value of each identifier used with the dot notation is the name of the respective embedded field or property.

The OrderBy annotation may be applied to an element collection. When OrderBy is applied to an element collection of basic type, the ordering will be by value of the basic objects and the *property\_or\_field\_name* is not used. When specifying an ordering over an element collection of embeddable type, the dot notation must be used to specify the attribute or attributes that determine the ordering.

The OrderBy annotation is not used when an order column is specified. See section 11.1.39.

Table 35 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the OrderBy annotation.

# Table 35 OrderBy Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	value	(Optional) The list of attributes (optionally qualified with ASC or DESC) whose values are used in the ordering.	Ascending ordering by the primary key.

#### Example 1:

```
@Entity public class Course {
    ...
    @ManyToMany
    @OrderBy("lastname ASC")
    public List<Student> getStudents() {...};
    ...
}

Example 2:

@Entity public class Student {
    ...
    @ManyToMany(mappedBy="students")
    @OrderBy // PK is assumed
    public List<Course> getCourses() {...};
    ...
}
```

<sup>[105]</sup> If the primary key is a composite primary key, the precedence of ordering among the attributes within the primary key is not futher defined. To assign such a precedence within these attributes, each of the individual attributes must be specified as an orderby\_item.

<sup>[106]</sup> In all other cases when OrderBy is applied to an element collection, the property\_or\_field\_name must be specified.

# Example 3:

```
@Entity public class Person {
    ...
    @ElementCollection
    @OrderBy("zipcode.zip, zipcode.plusFour")
    public Set<Address> getResidences() { . . . };
    ...
}

@Embeddable public class Address {
    protected String street;
    protected String city;
    protected String state;
    @Embedded protected Zipcode zipcode;
}

@Embeddable public class Zipcode {
    protected String zip;
    protected String plusFour;
}
```

## 11.1.39 OrderColumn Annotation

The OrderColumn annotation specifies a column that is used to maintain the persistent order of a list. The persistence provider is responsible for maintaining the order upon retrieval and in the database. The persistence provider is responsible for updating the ordering upon flushing to the database to reflect any insertion, deletion, or reordering affecting the list. The OrderColumn annotation may be specified on a one-to-many or many-to-many relationship or on an element collection. The OrderColumn annotation is specified on the side of the relationship that references the collection that is to be ordered. The order column is not visible as part of the state of the entity or embeddable class. [107]

The OrderBy annotation is not used when OrderColumn is specified.

Table 36 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the OrderColumn annotation and their default values.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface OrderColumn {
   String name() default "";
   boolean nullable() default true;
   boolean insertable() default true;
   boolean updatable() default true;
   String columnDefinition() default "";
}
```

If name is not specified, the column name is the concatenation of the following: the name of the referencing relationship property or field of the referencing entity or embeddable class; "\_"; "ORDER".

<sup>[107]</sup> The OrderBy annotation should be used for ordering that is visible as persistent state and maintained by the application.

The order column must be of integral type. The persistence provider must maintain a contiguous (non-sparse) ordering of the values of the order column when updating the association or element collection. The order column value for the first element of the list must be 0.

 Table 36
 OrderColumn Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the ordering column.	The concatenation of the name of the referencing property or field; "_"; "ORDER".
boolean	nullable	(Optional) Whether the database column is nullable.	true
boolean	insertable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL INSERT statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
boolean	updatable	(Optional) Whether the column is included in SQL UPDATE statements generated by the persistence provider.	true
String	columnDefinition	(Optional) The SQL fragment that is used when generating the DDL for the column.	Generated SQL to create a column of the inferred type.

# Example 1:

```
@Entity
public class CreditCard {
    @Id long ccNumber;
    @OneToMany // unidirectional
    @OrderColumn
    List<CardTransaction> transactionHistory;
    ...
}

Example 2:

@Entity public class Course {
    ...
    @ManyToMany
    @JoinTable(name="COURSE_ENROLLMENT")
    public Set<Student> getStudents() {...};
    ...
    @ManyToMany // unidirectional
    @JoinTable(name="WAIT_LIST")
    @OrderColumn("WAITLIST_ORDER")
    public List<Student> getWaitList() {...}
}
```

```
@Entity public class Student {
    ...
    @ManyToMany(mappedBy="students")
    public Set<Course> getCourses() {...};
    ...
}
```

#### Example of querying the ordered list:

```
SELECT w
FROM course c JOIN c.waitlist w
WHERE c.name = "geometry" AND INDEX(w) = 0
```

# 11.1.40 PrimaryKeyJoinColumn Annotation

The PrimaryKeyJoinColumn annotation specifies a primary key column that is used as a foreign key to join to another table.

The PrimaryKeyJoinColumn annotation is used to join the primary table of an entity subclass in the JOINED mapping strategy to the primary table of its superclass; it is used within a Second-aryTable annotation to join a secondary table to a primary table; and it may be used in a OneToOne mapping in which the primary key of the referencing entity is used as a foreign key to the referenced entity<sup>[108]</sup>.

Table 37 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the PrimaryKeyJoinColumn annotation and their default values.

If no PrimaryKeyJoinColumn annotation is specified for a subclass in the JOINED mapping strategy, the foreign key columns are assumed to have the same names as the primary key columns of the primary table of the superclass.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PrimaryKeyJoinColumn {
   String name() default "";
   String referencedColumnName() default "";
   String columnDefinition() default "";
}
```

<sup>[108]</sup> The derived id mechanisms described in section 2.4.1.1 are now to be preferred over PrimaryKeyJoinColumn for the OneToOne mapping case.

 Table 37
 PrimaryKeyJoinColumn Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the primary key column of the current table.	The same name as the primary key column of the primary table of the superclass (JOINED mapping strategy); the same name as the primary key column of the primary table (SecondaryTable mapping); or the same name as the primary key column for the table for the referencing entity (OneToOne mapping).
String	referencedColumnName	(Optional) The name of the primary key column of the table being joined to.	The same name as the primary key column of the primary table of the superclass (JOINED mapping strategy); the same name as the primary key column of the primary table (SecondaryTable mapping); or the same name as the primary key column of the table for the referenced entity (OneToOne mapping).
String	columnDefinition	(Optional) The SQL fragment that is used when generating the DDL for the column. This should not be specified for a OneToOne primary key association.	Generated SQL to create a column of the inferred type.

## Example: Customer and ValuedCustomer subclass

```
@Entity
@Table(name="CUST")
@Inheritance(strategy=JOINED)
@DiscriminatorValue("CUST")
public class Customer { ... }

@Entity
@Table(name="VCUST")
@DiscriminatorValue("VCUST")
@PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="CUST_ID")
public class ValuedCustomer extends Customer { ... }
```

# 11.1.41 PrimaryKeyJoinColumns Annotation

Composite foreign keys are supported by means of the PrimaryKeyJoinColumns annotation. The PrimaryKeyJoinColumns annotation groups PrimaryKeyJoinColumn annotations.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface PrimaryKeyJoinColumns {
        PrimaryKeyJoinColumn[] value();
}
```

Table 38 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the PrimaryKeyJoinColumns annotation.

# Table 38 PrimaryKeyJoinColumns Annotation Elements

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}

Туре	Name	Description	Default
PrimaryKey- JoinColumn[]	value	(Required) The primary key join columns.	

#### **Example 1:** ValuedCustomer subclass

```
@Entity
@Table(name="VCUST")
@DiscriminatorValue("VCUST")
@PrimaryKeyJoinColumns({
    @PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="CUST_ID",
         referencedColumnName="ID"),
    @PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="CUST_TYPE",
         referencedColumnName="TYPE")
})
public class ValuedCustomer extends Customer { ... }
Example 2: OneToOne relationship between Employee and EmployeeInfo classes. [109]
public class EmpPK {
    public Integer id;
    public String name;
@Entity
@IdClass(com.acme.EmpPK.class)
public class Employee {
    @Id Integer id;
    @Id String name;
    @OneToOne
    @PrimaryKeyJoinColumns({
        @PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="ID",
                               referencedColumnName="EMP_ID"),
        @PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="NAME",
                               referencedColumnName="EMP_NAME")})
    EmployeeInfo info;
```

<sup>[109]</sup> Note that the derived identity mechanisms decribed in section 2.4.1.1 is now preferred to the use of PrimaryKeyJoinColumn for this case.

```
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```

```
@Entity
@IdClass(com.acme.EmpPK.class)
public class EmployeeInfo {
    @Id @Column(name="EMP_ID")
    Integer id;
    @Id @Column(name="EMP_NAME")
    String name;
    ...
}
```

# 11.1.42 Secondary Table Annotation

The Secondary Table annotation is used to specify a secondary table for the annotated entity class.

If no SecondaryTable annotation is specified, it is assumed that all persistent fields or properties of the entity are mapped to the primary table. Specifying one or more secondary tables indicates that the data for the entity class is stored across multiple tables.

Table 39 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the SecondaryTable annotation and their default values.

If no primary key join columns are specified, the join columns are assumed to reference the primary key columns of the primary table, and have the same names and types as the referenced primary key columns of the primary table.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface SecondaryTable {
    String name();
    String catalog() default "";
    String schema() default "";
    PrimaryKeyJoinColumn[] pkJoinColumns() default {};
    UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
}
```

 Table 39
 Secondary Table Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Required) The name of the table.	
String	catalog	(Optional) The catalog of the table.	Default catalog
String	schema	(Optional) The schema of the table.	Default schema for user
PrimaryKeyJoin-Column[]	pkJoinColumns	(Optional) The columns that are used to join with the primary table.	Column(s) of the same name(s) as the primary key column(s) in the primary table

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Туре	Name	Description	Default
UniqueConstraint[]	uniqueConstraints	(Optional) Unique constraints that are to be placed on the table. These are typically only used if table generation is in effect. These constraints apply in addition to any constraints specified by the Column and Join-Column annotations and constraints entailed by primary key mappings.	No additional constraints

**Example 1:** Single secondary table with a single primary key column.

```
@Entity
@Table(name="CUSTOMER")
@SecondaryTable(
   name="CUST_DETAIL",
   pkJoinColumns=@PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="CUST_ID")
)
public class Customer { ... }
```

**Example 2:** Single secondary table with multiple primary key columns.

## 11.1.43 Secondary Tables Annotation

The Secondary Tables annotation is used to specify multiple secondary tables for an entity.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface SecondaryTables {
    SecondaryTable[] value();
}
```

Table 40 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the Secondary Tables annotation.

## Table 40 Secondary Tables Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
Second- aryTable[]	value	(Required) The secondary tables that are used to map the entity class.	

**Example 1:** Multiple secondary tables assuming primary key columns are named the same in all tables.

```
@Entity
@Table(name="EMPLOYEE")
@SecondaryTables({
     @SecondaryTable(name="EMP_DETAIL"),
     @SecondaryTable(name="EMP_HIST")
})
public class Employee { ... }
```

#### **Example 2:** Multiple secondary tables with differently named primary key columns.

# 11.1.44 SequenceGenerator Annotation

The SequenceGenerator annotation defines a primary key generator that may be referenced by name when a generator element is specified for the GeneratedValue annotation. A sequence generator may be specified on the entity class or on the primary key field or property. The scope of the generator name is global to the persistence unit (across all generator types).

Table 41 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the SequenceGenerator annotation and their default values.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface SequenceGenerator {
   String name();
   String sequenceName() default "";
   String catalog() default "";
   String schema() default "";
   int initialValue() default 1;
   int allocationSize() default 50;
}
```

# Table 41 SequenceGenerator Annotation Elements

Type	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Required) A unique generator name that can be referenced by one or more classes to be the generator for primary key values.	
String	sequenceName	(Optional) The name of the database sequence object from which to obtain primary key values.	A provider- chosen value
String	catalog	(Optional) The catalog of the sequence generator.	Default cat- alog
String	schema	(Optional) The schema of the sequence generator.	Default schema for user
int	initialValue	(Optional) The value from which the sequence object is to start generating.	1
int	allocationSize	(Optional) The amount to increment by when allocating sequence numbers from the sequence.	50

#### **Example:**

@SequenceGenerator(name="EMP\_SEQ", allocationSize=25)

# 11.1.45 Table Annotation

The Table annotation specifies the primary table for the annotated entity. Additional tables may be specified by using the SecondaryTable or SecondaryTables annotation. [110]

Table 42 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the Table annotation and their default values.

If no Table annotation is specified for an entity class, the default values defined in Table 42 apply.

```
@Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Table {
    String name() default "";
    String catalog() default "";
    String schema() default "";
    UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
}
```

<sup>[110]</sup> When a joined inheritance strategy is used, the Table annotation is used to specify a primary table for the subclass-specific state if the default is not used.

 Table 42
 Table Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) The name of the table.	Entity name
String	catalog	(Optional) The catalog of the table.	Default catalog
String	schema	(Optional) The schema of the table.	Default schema for user
UniqueConstraint[]	uniqueConstraints	(Optional) Unique constraints that are to be placed on the table. These are only used if table generation is in effect. These constraints apply in addition to any constraints specified by the Column and JoinColumn annotations and constraints entailed by primary key mappings.	No additional constraints

# **Example:**

```
@Entity
@Table(name="CUST", schema="RECORDS")
public class Customer { ... }
```

# 11.1.46 TableGenerator Annotation

The TableGenerator annotation defines a primary key generator that may be referenced by name when a generator element is specified for the GeneratedValue annotation. A table generator may be specified on the entity class or on the primary key field or property. The scope of the generator name is global to the persistence unit (across all generator types).

Table 43 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the TableGenerator annotation and their default values.

The table element specifies the name of the table that is used by the persistence provider to store generated primary key values for entities. An entity type will typically use its own row in the table for the generation of primary key values. The primary key values are normally positive integers.

```
@Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface TableGenerator {
    String name();
    String table() default "";
    String catalog() default "";
    String schema() default "";
    String pkColumnName() default "";
    String valueColumnName() default "";
    String pkColumnValue() default "";
    int initialValue() default 0;
    int allocationSize() default 50;
    UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
}
```

 Table 43
 TableGenerator Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Required) A unique generator name that can be referenced by one or more classes to be the generator for primary key values.	
String	table	(Optional) Name of table that stores the generated primary key values.	Name is chosen by persistence provider
String	catalog	(Optional) The catalog of the table.	Default catalog
String	schema	(Optional) The schema of the table.	Default schema for user
String	pkColumnName	(Optional) Name of the primary key column in the table.	A provider-chosen name
String	valueColumn- Name	(Optional) Name of the column that stores the last value generated.	A provider-chosen name
String	pkColumnValue	(Optional) The primary key value in the generator table that distinguishes this set of generated values from others that may be stored in the table.	A provider-chosen value to store in the primary key col- umn of the generator table
int	initialValue	(Optional) The value used to initialize the column that stores the last value generated.	0
int	allocationSize	(Optional) The amount to increment by when allocating numbers from the generator.	50
Unique- Constraint[]	uniqueCon- straints	(Optional) Unique constraints that are to be placed on the table. These are only used if table generation is in effect. These constraints apply in addition to primary key constraints.	No additional constraints

# Example 1:

# Example 2:

# 11.1.47 Temporal Annotation

The Temporal annotation must be specified for persistent fields or properties of type java.util.Date and java.util.Calendar. It may only be specified for fields or properties of these types.

The Temporal annotation may be used in conjunction with the Basic annotation, the Id annotation, or the ElementCollection<sup>[111]</sup> annotation (when the element collection value is of such a temporal type).

The Temporal Type enum defines the mapping for these temporal types.

```
public enum TemporalType {
    DATE, //java.sql.Date
    TIME, //java.sql.Time
    TIMESTAMP //java.sql.Timestamp
}

@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Temporal {
    TemporalType value();
}
```

Table 44 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the Temporal annotation and their default values.

**Table 44** Temporal Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
TemporalType	value	(Required) The type used in mapping java.util.Date or java.util.Calendar.	

<sup>[111]</sup> If the element collection is a Map, this applies to the map value.

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# **Example:**

```
@Embeddable
public class EmploymentPeriod {
    @Temporal(DATE) java.util.Date startDate;
    @Temporal(DATE) java.util.Date endDate;
    ...
}
```

# 11.1.48 Transient Annotation

The Transient annotation is used to annotate a property or field of an entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class. It specifies that the property or field is not persistent.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Transient {}

Example:

@Entity
public class Employee {
    @Id int id;
    @Transient User currentUser;
...
```

# 11.1.49 UniqueConstraint Annotation

The UniqueConstraint annotation is used to specify that a unique constraint is to be included in the generated DDL for a primary or secondary table.

Table 45 lists the annotation elements that may be specified for the UniqueConstraint annotation.

```
@Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface UniqueConstraint {
    String name() default "";
    String[] columnNames();
}
```

# Table 45 UniqueConstraint Annotation Elements

Туре	Name	Description	Default
String	name	(Optional) Constraint name.	A provider-chosen name.
String[]	columnNames	(Required) An array of the column names that make up the constraint.	

# Example:

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# 11.1.50 Version Annotation

The Version annotation specifies the version field or property of an entity class that serves as its optimistic lock value. The version is used to ensure integrity when performing the merge operation and for optimistic concurrency control.

Only a single Version property or field should be used per class; applications that use more than one Version property or field will not be portable.

The Version property should be mapped to the primary table for the entity class; applications that map the Version property to a table other than the primary table will not be portable.

In general, fields or properties that are specified with the Version annotation should not be updated by the application.<sup>[112]</sup>

The following types are supported for version properties: int, Integer, short, Short, long, Long, Timestamp.

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
public @interface Version {}

Example:

@Version
@Column(name="OPTLOCK")
protected int getVersionNum() { return versionNum; }
```

# 11.2 Examples of the Application of Annotations for Object/Relational Mapping

# 11.2.1 Examples of Simple Mappings

```
@Entity
public class Customer {
    @Id @GeneratedValue(strategy=AUTO) Long id;
    @Version protected int version;
    @ManyToOne Address address;
    @Basic String description;
    @OneToMany(targetEntity=com.acme.Order.class,
               mappedBy="customer")
    Collection orders = new Vector();
    @ManyToMany(mappedBy="customers")
    Set<DeliveryService> serviceOptions = new HashSet();
    public Long getId() { return id; }
    public Address getAddress() { return address; }
    public void setAddress(Address addr) {
        this.address = addr;
    public String getDescription() { return description; }
    public void setDescription(String desc) {
        this.description = desc;
    public Collection getOrders() { return orders; }
    public Set<DeliveryService> getServiceOptions() {
        return serviceOptions;
@Entity
public class Address {
    private Long id;
    private int version;
    private String street;
    @Id @GeneratedValue(strategy=AUTO)
    public Long getId() { return id;
    protected void setId(Long id) { this.id = id; }
    @Version
    public int getVersion() { return version; }
    protected void setVersion(int version) {
        this.version = version;
```

```
public String getStreet() { return street; }
    public void setStreet(String street) {
        this.street = street;
}
@Entity
public class Order {
    private Long id;
    private int version;
    private String itemName;
    private int quantity;
    private Customer cust;
    @Id @GeneratedValue(strategy=AUTO)
    public Long getId() { return id; }
    public void setId(Long id) { this.id = id; }
    @Version
    protected int getVersion() { return version; }
    protected void setVersion(int version) {
        this.version = version;
    public String getItemName() { return itemName; }
    public void setItemName(String itemName) {
        this.itemName = itemName;
    public int getQuantity() { return quantity; }
    public void setQuantity(int quantity) {
        this.quantity = quantity;
    @ManyToOne
    public Customer getCustomer() { return cust; }
    public void setCustomer(Customer cust) {
        this.cust = cust;
}
@Entity
@Table(name="DLVY SVC")
public class DeliveryService {
    private String serviceName;
    private int priceCategory;
    private Collection customers;
    public String getServiceName() { return serviceName; }
    public void setServiceName(String serviceName) {
        this.serviceName = serviceName;
    public int getPriceCategory() { return priceCategory; }
```

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```
public void setPriceCategory(int priceCategory) {
    this.priceCategory = priceCategory;
}

@ManyToMany(targetEntity=com.acme.Customer.class)
@JoinTable(name="CUST_DLVRY")
public Collection getCustomers() { return customers; }
public setCustomers(Collection customers) {
    this.customers = customers;
}
```

# 11.2.2 A More Complex Example

```
/**** Employee class ****/
@Entity
@Table(name="EMPL")
@SecondaryTable(name="EMP_SALARY",
    pkJoinColumns=@PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="EMP ID",
                     referencedColumnName="ID"))
public class Employee implements Serializable {
    private Long id;
    private int version;
    private String name;
    private Address address;
    private Collection phoneNumbers;
    private Collection < Project > projects;
    private Long salary;
    private EmploymentPeriod period;
    @Id @GeneratedValue(strategy=TABLE)
    public Integer getId() { return id;
    protected void setId(Integer id) { this.id = id; }
    @Version
    @Column(name="EMP_VERSION", nullable=false)
    public int getVersion() { return version; }
    protected void setVersion(int version) {
        this.version = version;
    @Column(name="EMP_NAME", length=80)
public String getName() { return name; }
    public void setName(String name) { this.name = name; }
    @ManyToOne(cascade=PERSIST, optional=false)
    @JoinColumn(name="ADDR ID",
                referencedColumnName="ID", nullable=false)
    public Address getAddress() { return address; }
    public void setAddress(Address address) {
        this.address = address;
    @OneToMany(targetEntity=com.acme.PhoneNumber.class,
               cascade=ALL, mappedBy="employee")
    public Collection getPhoneNumbers() { return phoneNumbers; }
    public void setPhoneNumbers(Collection phoneNumbers) {
        this.phoneNumbers = phoneNumbers;
    @ManyToMany(cascade=PERSIST, mappedBy="employees")
    @JoinTable(
         name="EMP_PROJ",
         joinColumns=@JoinColumn(
            name="EMP_ID", referencedColumnName="ID"),
         inverseJoinColumns=@JoinColumn(
            name="PROJ_ID", referencedColumnName="ID"))
    public Collection<Project> getProjects() { return projects; }
    public void setProjects(Collection<Project> projects) {
```

```
this.projects = projects;
    }
    @Column(name="EMP SAL", table="EMP SALARY")
    public Long getSalary() { return salary; }
    public void setSalary(Long salary) {
        this.salary = salary;
    @Embedded
    @AttributeOverrides({
        @AttributeOverride(name="startDate"
            column=@Column(name="EMP START")),
        @AttributeOverride(name="endDate",
            column=@Column(name="EMP_END"))
    })
    public EmploymentPeriod getEmploymentPeriod() {
        return period;
    public void setEmploymentPeriod(EmploymentPeriod period) {
        this.period = period;
}
/**** Address class ****/
public class Address implements Serializable {
    private Integer id;
    private int version;
    private String street;
    private String city;
    @Id @GeneratedValue(strategy=IDENTITY)
    public Integer getId() { return id; }
    protected void setId(Integer id) { this.id = id; }
    @Version @Column(name="VERS", nullable=false)
    public int getVersion() { return version; }
    protected void setVersion(int version) {
        this.version = version;
    @Column(name="RUE")
    public String getStreet() { return street; }
    public void setStreet(String street) {
        this.street = street;
    @Column(name="VILLE")
    public String getCity() { return city; }
    public void setCity(String city) { this.city = city; }
/**** PhoneNumber class ****/
@Entity
```

```
@Table(name="PHONE")
public class PhoneNumber implements Serializable {
    private String number;
    private int phoneType;
    private Employee employee;
    @Id
    public String getNumber() { return number; }
    public void setNumber(String number) {
        this.number = number;
    @Column(name="PTYPE")
    public int getPhonetype() { return phonetype; }
    public void setPhoneType(int phoneType) {
        this.phoneType = phoneType;
    @ManyToOne(optional=false)
    @JoinColumn(name="EMP_ID", nullable=false)
    public Employee getEmployee() { return employee; }
    public void setEmployee(Employee employee) {
        this.employee = employee;
}
/**** Project class *****/
@Entity
@Inheritance(strategy=JOINED)
DiscriminatorValue("Proj")
@DiscriminatorColumn(name="DISC")
public class Project implements Serializable {
    private Integer projId;
    private int version;
    private String name;
    private Set<Employee> employees;
    @Id @GeneratedValue(strategy=TABLE)
    public Integer getId() { return projId; }
    protected void setId(Integer id) { this.projId = id; }
    @Version
    public int getVersion() { return version; }
   protected void setVersion(int version) { this.version = version; }
    @Column(name="PROJ_NAME")
    public String getName() { return name; }
    public void setName(String name) { this.name = name; }
    @ManyToMany(mappedBy="projects")
    public Set<Employee> getEmployees() { return employees; }
    public void setEmployees(Set<Employee> employees) {
        this.employees = employees;
}
```

```
/***** GovernmentProject subclass *****/
@Entity
@Table(name="GOVT_PROJECT")
@DiscriminatorValue("GovtProj")
@PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="GOV_PROJ_ID",
                      referencedColumnName="ID")
public class GovernmentProject extends Project {
    private String fileInfo;
    @Column(name="INFO")
    public String getFileInfo() { return fileInfo; }
    public void setFileInfo(String fileInfo) {
        this.fileInfo = fileInfo;
}
/***** CovertProject subclass *****/
@Entity
@Table(name="C_PROJECT")
@DiscriminatorValue("CovProj")
@PrimaryKeyJoinColumn(name="COV_PROJ_ID",
                      referencedColumnName="ID")
public class CovertProject extends Project {
    private String classified;
    public CovertProject() { super(); }
    public CovertProject(String classified) {
        this();
        this.classified = classified;
    @Column(updatable=false)
    public String getClassified() { return classified; }
    protected void setClassified(String classified) {
        this.classified = classified;
}
/**** EmploymentPeriod class *****/
@Embeddable
public class EmploymentPeriod implements Serializable {
    private Date start;
    private Date end;
    @Column(nullable=false)
    public Date getStartDate() { return start; }
    public void setStartDate(Date start) {
        this.start = start;
```

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```
}

public Date getEndDate() { return end; }

public void setEndDate(Date end) {
    this.end = end;
}
}
```

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# Chapter 12 XML Object/Relational Mapping Descriptor

The XML object/relational mapping descriptor serves as both an alternative to and an overriding mechanism for Java language metadata annotations.

# **12.1** Use of the XML Descriptor

The XML schema for the object relational/mapping descriptor is contained in Section 12.3. The root element of this schema is the entity-mappings element. The absence or present of the xml-mapping-metadata-complete subelement contained in the persistence-unit-defaults subelement of the entity-mappings element controls whether the XML object/relational mapping descriptor is used to selectively override annotation values or whether it serves as a complete alternative to Java language metadata annotations.

If the xml-mapping-metadata-complete subelement is specified, the complete set of mapping metadata for the persistence unit is contained in the XML mapping files for the persistence unit, and any persistence annotations on the classes are ignored.

If xml-mapping-metadata-complete is specified and XML elements are omitted, the default values apply. These default values are the same as the corresponding defaults when annotations are used, except in the cases specified in Section 12.2 below. When the xml-mapping-metadata-complete element is specified, any metadata-complete attributes specified within the entity, mapped-superclass, and embeddable elements are ignored.

If the xml-mapping-metadata-complete subelement is not specified, the XML descriptor overrides the values set or defaulted by the use of annotations, as described below.

The mapping files used by the application developer must conform to the XML schema defined in Section 12.3 or to the object/relational mapping schema defined in the previous version of this specification [1].

The Java Persistence 2.0 persistence provider must support use of the object/relational mapping schema defined in [1] as well as the object/relational mapping schema defined in Section 12.3, whether singly or in combination when multiple mapping files are used.

# **12.2 XML Overriding Rules**

This section defines the rules that apply when the XML descriptor is used to override annotations, and the rules pertaining to the interaction of XML elements specified as subelements of the persistence-unit-defaults, entity-mappings, entity, mapped-superclass, and embeddable elements.

# 12.2.1 persistence-unit-defaults Subelements

#### 12.2.1.1 schema

The schema subelement applies to all entities, tables, secondary tables, join tables, collection tables, table generators, and sequence generators in the persistence unit.

The schema subelement is overridden by any schema subelement of the entity-mappings element; any schema element explicitly specified in the Table or SecondaryTable annotation on an entity or any schema attribute on any table or secondary-table subelement defined within an entity element; any schema element explicitly specified in a TableGenerator annotation or table-generator subelement; any schema element explicitly specified in a SequenceGenerator annotation or sequence-generator subelement; any schema element explicitly specified in a JoinTable annotation or join-table subelement; and any schema element explicitly specified in a CollectionTable annotation or collection-table subelement.

# 12.2.1.2 catalog

The catalog subelement applies to all entities, tables, secondary tables, join tables, collection tables, table generators, and sequence generators in the persistence unit.

The catalog subelement is overridden by any catalog subelement of the entity-mappings element; any catalog element explicitly specified in the Table or SecondaryTable annotation on an entity or any catalog attribute on any table or secondary-table subelement defined within an entity XML element; any catalog element explicitly specified in a TableGenerator annotation or table-generator subelement; any catalog element explicitly specified in a SequenceGenerator annotation or sequence-generator subelement; any catalog element explicitly specified in a JoinTable annotation or join-table subelement; and any catalog element explicitly specified in a CollectionTable annotation or collection-table subelement.

## 12.2.1.3 delimited-identifiers

The delimited-identifiers subelement applies to the naming of database objects, as described in section 2.13. It specifies that all database table-, schema-, and column-level identifiers in use for the persistence unit be treated as delimited identifiers.

The delimited-identifiers subelement cannot be overridden in this release.

#### 12.2.1.4 access

The access subelement applies to all managed classes in the persistence unit.

The access subelement is overridden by the use of any annotations specifying mapping information on the fields or properties of the entity class; by any Access annotation on the entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class; by any access subelement of the entity-mappings element; by any Access annotation on a field or property of an entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class; by any access attribute defined within an entity, mapped-superclass, or embeddable XML element, or by any access attribute defined within an id, embedded-id, version, basic, embedded, many-to-one, one-to-one, one-to-many, many-to-many, or element-collection element.

## 12.2.1.5 cascade-persist

The cascade-persist subelement applies to all relationships in the persistence unit.

Specifying this subelement adds the cascade persist option to all relationships in addition to any settings specified in annotations or XML.

The cascade-persist subelement cannot be overridden in this release.

The ability to override the cascade-persist of the persistence-unit-defaults element will be added in a future release of this specification.

## 12.2.1.6 entity-listeners

The entity-listeners subelement defines default entity listeners for the persistence unit. These entity listeners are called before any other entity listeners for an entity unless the entity listener order is overridden within a mapped-superclass or entity element, or the ExcludeDefaultListeners annotation is present on the entity or mapped superclass or the exclude-default-listeners subelement is specified within the corresponding entity or mapped-superclass XML element.

# 12.2.2 Other Subelements of the entity-mappings element

# **12.2.2.1** package

The package subelement specifies the package of the classes listed within the subelements and attributes of the same mapping file only. The package subelement is overridden if the fully qualified class name is specified for a class and the two disagree.

#### 12.2.2.2 schema

The schema subelement applies only to the entities, tables, secondary tables, join tables, collection tables, table generators, and sequence generators listed within the same mapping file.

The schema subelement is overridden by any schema element explicitly specified in the Table, SecondaryTable, JoinTable, or CollectionTable annotation on an entity listed within the mapping file or any schema attribute on any table or secondary-table subelement defined within the entity element for such an entity, or by any schema attribute on any join-table or collection-table subelement of an attribute defined within the attributes subelement of the entity element for such an entity, or by the schema attribute of any table-generator or sequence-generator element within the mapping file.

# 12.2.2.3 catalog

The catalog subelement applies only to the entities, tables, secondary tables, join tables, collection tables, table generators, and sequence generators listed within the same mapping file.

The catalog subelement is overridden by any catalog element explicitly specified in the Table, SecondaryTable, JoinTable, or CollectionTable annotation on an entity listed within the mapping file or any catalog attribute on any table or secondary-table subelement defined within the entity element for such an entity, or by any catalog attribute on any join-table or collection-table subelement of an attribute defined within the attributes subelement of the entity element for such an entity, or by the catalog attribute of any table-generator or sequence-generator element within the mapping file.

#### 12.2.2.4 access

The access subelement applies to the managed classes listed within the same mapping file.

The access subelement is overridden by the use of any annotations specifying mapping information on the fields or properties of the entity class; by any Access annotation on the entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class; by any Access annotation on a field or property of an entity class, mapped superclass, or embeddable class; by any access attribute defined within an entity, mapped-superclass, or embeddable XML element, or by any access attribute defined within an id, embedded-id, version, basic, embedded, many-to-one, one-to-one, one-to-many, many-to-many, or element-collection element.

# 12.2.2.5 sequence-generator

The generator defined by the sequence-generator subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain generators of the same name.

The generator defined is added to any generators defined in annotations. If a generator of the same name is defined in annotations, the generator defined by this subelement overrides that definition.

# 12.2.2.6 table-generator

The generator defined by the table-generator subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain generators of the same name.

The generator defined is added to any generators defined in annotations. If a generator of the same name is defined in annotations, the generator defined by this subelement overrides that definition.

# 12.2.2.7 named-query

The named query defined by the named-query subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain named queries of the same name.

The named query defined is added to the named queries defined in annotations. If a named query of the same name is defined in annotations, the named query defined by this subelement overrides that definition.

# 12.2.2.8 named-native-query

The named native query defined by the named-native-query subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain named queries of the same name.

The named native query defined is added to the named native queries defined in annotations. If a named query of the same name is defined in annotations, the named query defined by this subelement overrides that definition.

# 12.2.2.9 sql-result-set-mapping

The SQL result set mapping defined by the sql-result-set-mapping subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain SQL result set mappings of the same name.

The SQL result set mapping defined is added to the SQL result set mappings defined in annotations. If a SQL result set mapping of the same name is defined in annotations, the SQL result set mapping defined by this subelement overrides that definition.

## 12.2.2.10 entity

The entity subelement defines an entity of the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain entries for the same entity.

The entity class may or may not have been annotated as Entity. The subelements and attributes of the entity element override as specified in section 12.2.3.

# 12.2.2.11 mapped-superclass

The mapped-superclass subelement defines a mapped superclass of the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain entries for the same mapped superclass.

The mapped superclass may or may not have been annotated as MappedSuperclass. The subelements and attributes of the mapped-superclass element override as specified in section 12.2.4.

## **12.2.2.12** embeddable

The embeddable subelement defines an embeddable class of the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain entries for the same embeddable class.

The embeddable class may or may not have been annotated as Embeddable. The subelements and attributes of the embeddable element override as specified in section 12.2.5.

# 12.2.3 entity Subelements and Attributes

These apply only to the entity for which they are subelements or attributes, unless otherwise specified below.

# 12.2.3.1 metadata-complete

If the metadata-complete attribute of the entity element is specified as true, any annotations on the entity class (and its fields and properties) are ignored. When metadata-complete is specified as true and XML attributes or sub-elements of the entity element are omitted, the default values for those attributes and elements are applied.

## 12.2.3.2 access

The access attribute defines the access type for the entity. The access attribute overrides any access type specified by the persistence-unit-defaults element or entity-mappings element for the given entity. The access type for a field or property of the entity may be overridden by specifying by overriding the mapping for that field or property using the appropriate XML subelement, as described in Section 12.2.3.23 below.

Caution must be exercised in overriding an access type that was specified or defaulted using annotations, as doing so may cause applications to break.

# **12.2.3.3** cacheable

The cacheable attribute defines whether the entity should be cached or must not be cached when the shared-cache-mode element of the persistence.xml file is specified as ENABLE\_SELECTIVE or DISABLE\_SELECTIVE. If the Cacheable annotation was specified for the entity, its value is overridden by this attribute. The value of the cacheable attribute is inherited by subclasses (unless otherwise overridden for a subclass by the Cacheable annotation or cacheable XML attribute).

#### 12.2.3.4 name

The name attribute defines the entity name. The name attribute overrides the value of the entity name defined by the name element of the Entity annotation (whether explicitly specified or defaulted). Caution must be exercised in overriding the entity name, as doing so may cause applications to break.

## 12.2.3.5 table

The table subelement overrides any Table annotation (including defaulted Table values) on the entity. If a table subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that table subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

# 12.2.3.6 secondary-table

The secondary-table subelement overrides all SecondaryTable and SecondaryTables annotations (including defaulted SecondaryTable values) on the entity. If a secondary-table subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that secondary-table subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

# 12.2.3.7 primary-key-join-column

The primary-key-join-column subelement of the entity element specifies a primary key column that is used to join the table of an entity subclass to the primary table for the entity when the joined strategy is used. The primary-key-join-column subelement overrides all PrimaryKeyJoin-Column and PrimaryKeyJoinColumns annotations (including defaulted PrimaryKeyJoin-Column values) on the entity. If a primary-key-join-column subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that primary-key-join-column subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.3.8 id-class

The id-class subelement overrides any IdClass annotation specified on the entity.

#### 12.2.3.9 inheritance

The inheritance subelement overrides any Inheritance annotation (including defaulted Inheritance values) on the entity. If an inheritance subelement is present, and the strategy attribute is not explicitly specified, its default value is applied.

This element applies to the entity and its subclasses (unless otherwise overridden for a subclass by an annotation or XML element).

Support for the combination of inheritance strategies is not required by this specification. Portable applications should use only a single inheritance strategy within an entity hierarchy.

## 12.2.3.10 discriminator-value

The discriminator-value subelement overrides any DiscriminatorValue annotations (including defaulted DiscriminatorValue values) on the entity.

## 12.2.3.11 discriminator-column

The discriminator-column subelement overrides any DiscriminatorColumn annotation (including defaulted DiscriminatorColumn values) on the entity. If a discriminator-column subelement is present, and attributes of that discriminator-column subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

This element applies to the entity and its subclasses (unless otherwise overridden for a subclass by an annotation or XML element).

# 12.2.3.12 sequence-generator

The generator defined by the sequence-generator subelement is added to any generators defined in annotations and any other generators defined in XML. If a generator of the same name is defined in annotations, the generator defined by this subelement overrides that definition. If a sequence-generator subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that sequence-generator subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

The generator defined by the sequence-generator subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain generators of the same name.

# 12.2.3.13 table-generator

The generator defined by the table-generator subelement is added to any generators defined in annotations and any other generators defined in XML. If a generator of the same name is defined in annotations, the generator defined by this subelement overrides that definition. If a table-generator subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that table-generator subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

The generator defined by the table-generator subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain generators of the same name.

# 12.2.3.14 attribute-override

The attribute-override subelement is additive to any AttributeOverride or AttributeOverrides annotations on the entity. It overrides any AttributeOverride elements for the same attribute name. If an attribute-override subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that attribute-override subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.3.15 association-override

The association-override subelement is additive to any AssociationOverride or AssociationOverrides annotations on the entity. It overrides any AssociationOverride elements for the same attribute name. If an association-override subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that association-override subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

# 12.2.3.16 named-query

The named query defined by the named-query subelement is added to any named queries defined in annotations, and any other named queries defined in XML. If a named query of the same name is defined in annotations, the named query defined by this subelement overrides that definition. If a named-query subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that named-query subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

The named query defined by the named-query subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain named queries of the same name.

# 12.2.3.17 named-native-query

The named query defined by the named-native-query subelement is added to any named queries defined in annotations, and any other named queries defined in XML. If a named query of the same name is defined in annotations, the named query defined by this subelement overrides that definition. If a named-native-query subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that named-native-query subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

The named native query defined by the named-native-query subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain named queries of the same name.

# 12.2.3.18 sql-result-set-mapping

The SQL result set mapping defined by the sql-result-set-mapping is added to the SQL result set mappings defined in annotations, and any other SQL result set mappings defined in XML. If a SQL result set mapping of the same name is defined in annotations, the SQL result set mapping defined by this subelement overrides that definition. If a sql-result-set-mapping subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that sql-result-set-mapping subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

The SQL result set mapping defined by the sql-result-set-mapping subelement applies to the persistence unit. It is undefined if multiple mapping files for the persistence unit contain SQL result set mappings of the same name.

# 12.2.3.19 exclude-default-listeners

The exclude-default-listeners subelement applies whether or not the ExcludeDefault-Listeners annotation was specified on the entity.

This element causes the default entity listeners to be excluded for the entity and its subclasses.

## 12.2.3.20 exclude-superclass-listeners

The exclude-superclass-listeners subelement applies whether or not the ExcludeSuperclassListeners annotation was specified on the entity.

This element causes any superclass listeners to be excluded for the entity and its subclasses.

## 12.2.3.21 entity-listeners

The entity-listeners subelement overrides any EntityListeners annotation on the entity.

These listeners apply to the entity and its subclasses unless otherwise excluded.

# 12.2.3.22 pre-persist, post-persist, pre-remove, post-remove, pre-update, post-load

These subelements override any lifecycle callback methods defined by the corresponding annotations on the entity.

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## **12.2.3.23** attributes

The attributes element groups the mapping subelements for the fields and properties of the entity. It may be sparsely populated to include only a subset of the fields and properties. If the value of metadata-complete is true, the remainder of the attributes will be defaulted according to the default rules. If metadata-complete is not specified, or is false, the mappings for only those properties and fields that are explicitly specified will be overridden.

#### 12.2.3.23.1 id

The id subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an id subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that id subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.3.23.2 embedded-id

The embedded-id subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an embedded-id subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that embedded-id subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.3.23.3 basic

The basic subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a basic subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that basic subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.3.23.4 version

The version subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a version subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that version subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.3.23.5 many-to-one

The many-to-one subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a many-to-one subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that many-to-one subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.3.23.6 one-to-many

The one-to-many subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a one-to-many subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that one-to-many subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.3.23.7 one-to-one

The one-to-one subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a one-to-one subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that one-to-one subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.3.23.8 many-to-many

The many-to-many subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a many-to-many subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that many-to-many subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.3.23.9 element-collection

The element-collection subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an element-collection subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that element-collection subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.3.23.10 embedded

The embedded subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an embedded subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that embedded subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.3.23.11 transient

The transient subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property.

# 12.2.4 mapped-superclass Subelements and Attributes

These apply only to the mapped-superclass for which they are subelements or attributes, unless otherwise specified below.

# 12.2.4.1 metadata-complete

If the metadata-complete attribute of the mapped-superclass element is specified as true, any annotations on the mapped superclass (and its fields and properties) are ignored. When metadata-complete is specified as true and attributes or sub-elements of the mapped-superclass element are omitted, the default values for those attributes and elements are applied.

## 12.2.4.2 access

The access attribute defines the access type for the mapped superclass. The access attribute overrides any access type specified by the persistence-unit-defaults element or entity-mappings element for the given mapped superclass. The access type for a field or property of the mapped superclass may be overridden by specifying by overriding the mapping for that field or property using the appropriate XML subelement, as described in Section 12.2.4.8 below.

Caution must be exercised in overriding an access type that was specified or defaulted using annotations, as doing so may cause applications to break.

## 12.2.4.3 id-class

The id-class subelement overrides any IdClass annotation specified on the mapped superclass.

## 12.2.4.4 exclude-default-listeners

The exclude-default-listeners subelement applies whether or not the ExcludeDefault-Listeners annotation was specified on the mapped superclass.

This element causes the default entity listeners to be excluded for the mapped superclass and its subclasses.

# 12.2.4.5 exclude-superclass-listeners

The exclude-superclass-listeners subelement applies whether or not the ExcludeSuperclassListeners annotation was specified on the mapped superclass.

This element causes any superclass listeners to be excluded for the mapped superclass and its subclasses.

# 12.2.4.6 entity-listeners

The entity-listeners subelement overrides any EntityListeners annotation on the mapped superclass.

These listeners apply to the mapped superclass and its subclasses unless otherwise excluded.

# 12.2.4.7 pre-persist, post-persist, pre-remove, post-remove, pre-update, post-load

These subelements override any lifecycle callback methods defined by the corresponding annotations on the mapped superclass.

# **12.2.4.8** attributes

The attributes element groups the mapping subelements for the fields and properties defined by the mapped superclass. It may be sparsely populated to include only a subset of the fields and properties. If the value of metadata-complete is true, the remainder of the attributes will be defaulted according to the default rules. If metadata-complete is not specified, or is false, the mappings for only those properties and fields that are explicitly specified will be overridden.

#### 12.2.4.8.1 id

The id subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an id subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that id subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.4.8.2 embedded-id

The embedded-id subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an embedded-id subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that embedded-id subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.4.8.3 basic

The basic subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a basic subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that basic subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

# 12.2.4.8.4 version

The version subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a version subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that version subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.4.8.5 many-to-one

The many-to-one subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a many-to-one subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that many-to-one subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.4.8.6 one-to-many

The one-to-many subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a one-to-many subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that one-to-many subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.4.8.7 one-to-one

The one-to-one subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a one-to-one subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that one-to-one subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.4.8.8 many-to-many

The many-to-many subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a many-to-many subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that many-to-many subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.4.8.9 element-collection

The element-collection subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an element-collection subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that element-collection subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

### 12.2.4.8.10 embedded

The embedded subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an embedded subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that embedded subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.4.8.11 transient

The transient subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property.

## 12.2.5 embeddable Subelements and Attributes

These apply only to the embeddable for which they are subelements or attributes.

# 12.2.5.1 metadata-complete

If the metadata-complete attribute of the embeddable element is specified as true, any annotations on the embeddable class (and its fields and properties) are ignored. When metadata-complete is specified as true and attributes and sub-elements of the embeddable element are omitted, the default values for those attributes and elements are applied.

## 12.2.5.2 access

The access attribute defines the access type for the embeddable class. The access attribute overrides any access type specified by the persistence-unit-defaults element or entity-mappings element for the given embeddable class. The access type for a field or property of the embeddable class may be overridden by specifying by overriding the mapping for that field or property using the appropriate XML subelement, as described in Section 12.2.5.3 below.

Caution must be exercised in overriding an access type that was specified or defaulted using annotations, as doing so may cause applications to break.

#### **12.2.5.3** attributes

The attributes element groups the mapping subelements for the fields and properties defined by the embeddable class. It may be sparsely populated to include only a subset of the fields and properties. If the value of metadata-complete is true, the remainder of the attributes will be defaulted according to the default rules. If metadata-complete is not specified, or is false, the mappings for only those properties and fields that are explicitly specified will be overridden.

#### 12.2.5.3.1 basic

The basic subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a basic subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that basic subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.5.3.2 many-to-one

The many-to-one subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a many-to-one subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that many-to-one subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

# 12.2.5.3.3 one-to-many

The one-to-many subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a one-to-many subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that one-to-many subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

#### 12.2.5.3.4 one-to-one

The one-to-one subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a one-to-one subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that one-to-one subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

# 12.2.5.3.5 many-to-many

The many-to-many subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If a many-to-many subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that many-to-many subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

## 12.2.5.3.6 element-collection

The element-collection subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an element-collection subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that element-collection subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

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## 12.2.5.3.7 embedded

The embedded subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property. If an embedded subelement is present, and attributes or subelements of that embedded subelement are not explicitly specified, their default values are applied.

# 12.2.5.3.8 transient

The transient subelement overrides the mapping for the specified field or property.

# 12.3 XML Schema

This section provides the XML schema for use with the persistence API.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!-- Java Persistence API object/relational mapping file schema -->
<xsd:schema targetNamespace="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence/orm"</pre>
 xmlns:orm="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence/orm"
 xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
 elementFormDefault="qualified"
 attributeFormDefault="unqualified"
 version="2.0">
 <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation>
     @(#)orm 2 0.xsd 2.0 October 1 2009
   </xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
 <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation><![CDATA[</pre>
      This is the XML Schema for the persistence object/relational
      mapping file.
      The file may be named "META-INF/orm.xml" in the persistence
      archive or it may be named some other name which would be
      used to locate the file as resource on the classpath.
      Object/relational mapping files must indicate the object/relational
      mapping file schema by using the persistence namespace:
      http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence
      and indicate the version of the schema by
      using the version element as shown below:
     <entity-mappings xmlns="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence/orm"</pre>
       xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
       xsi:schemaLocation="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence/orm
         http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/persistence/orm/orm_2_0.xsd"
       version="2.0">
      </entity-mappings>
    ]]></xsd:documentation>
 </xsd:annotation>
 <xsd:complexType name="emptyType"/>
 <xsd:simpleType name="versionType">
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:pattern value="[0-9]+(\.[0-9]+)*"/>
    </xsd:restriction>
 </xsd:simpleType>
 <xsd:element name="entity-mappings">
   <xsd:complexType>
     <xsd:annotation>
        <xsd:documentation>
```

The entity-mappings element is the root element of a mapping

file. It contains the following four types of elements:

- 1. The persistence-unit-metadata element contains metadata for the entire persistence unit. It is undefined if this element occurs in multiple mapping files within the same persistence unit.
- 2. The package, schema, catalog and access elements apply to all of the entity, mapped-superclass and embeddable elements defined in the same file in which they occur.
- 3. The sequence-generator, table-generator, named-query, named-native-query and sql-result-set-mapping elements are global to the persistence unit. It is undefined to have more than one sequence-generator or table-generator of the same name in the same or different mapping files in a persistence unit. It is also undefined to have more than one named-query, named-native-query, or result-set-mapping of the same name in the same or different mapping files in a persistence unit.
- 4. The entity, mapped-superclass and embeddable elements each define the mapping information for a managed persistent class. The mapping information contained in these elements may be complete or it may be partial.

```
</xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="persistence-unit-metadata"</pre>
                    type="orm:persistence-unit-metadata"
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="package" type="xsd:string"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="schema" type="xsd:string"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="catalog" type="xsd:string"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="access" type="orm:access-type"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="sequence-generator" type="orm:sequence-generator"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="table-generator" type="orm:table-generator"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="named-query" type="orm:named-query"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="named-native-query" type="orm:named-native-query"</pre>
                    minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="sql-result-set-mapping"</pre>
                    type="orm:sql-result-set-mapping"
                    minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="mapped-superclass" type="orm:mapped-superclass"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="entity" type="orm:entity"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="embeddable" type="orm:embeddable"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="version" type="orm:versionType"</pre>
                    fixed="2.0" use="required"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
<!-- *************** -->
<xsd:complexType name="persistence-unit-metadata">
```

```
<xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:documentation>
      Metadata that applies to the persistence unit and not just to
     the mapping file in which it is contained.
      If the xml-mapping-metadata-complete element is specified,
     the complete set of mapping metadata for the persistence unit
      is contained in the XML mapping files for the persistence unit.
   </xsd:documentation>
 </xsd:annotation>
 <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
   <xsd:element name="xml-mapping-metadata-complete" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                minOccurs="0"/>
   <xsd:element name="persistence-unit-defaults"</pre>
                type="orm:persistence-unit-defaults"
                minOccurs="0"/>
 </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="persistence-unit-defaults">
  <xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:documentation>
     These defaults are applied to the persistence unit as a whole
     unless they are overridden by local annotation or XML
     element settings.
     schema - Used as the schema for all tables, secondary tables, join
         tables, collection tables, sequence generators, and table
         generators that apply to the persistence unit
      catalog - Used as the catalog for all tables, secondary tables, join
         tables, collection tables, sequence generators, and table
         generators that apply to the persistence unit
     delimited-identifiers - Used to treat database identifiers as
         delimited identifiers.
     access - Used as the access type for all managed classes in
         the persistence unit
      cascade-persist - Adds cascade-persist to the set of cascade options
         in all entity relationships of the persistence unit
      entity-listeners - List of default entity listeners to be invoked
         on each entity in the persistence unit.
   </xsd:documentation>
 </xsd:annotation>
 <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="schema" type="xsd:string"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="catalog" type="xsd:string"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="delimited-identifiers" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="access" type="orm:access-type"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="cascade-persist" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="entity-listeners" type="orm:entity-listeners"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
 </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

```
<xsd:complexType name="entity">
  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation>
      Defines the settings and mappings for an entity. Is allowed to be
      sparsely populated and used in conjunction with the annotations.
      Alternatively, the metadata-complete attribute can be used to
      indicate that no annotations on the entity class (and its fields or properties) are to be processed. If this is the case then
      the defaulting rules for the entity and its subelements will
      be recursively applied.
      @Target(TYPE) @Retention(RUNTIME)
        public @interface Entity {
        String name() default "";
    </xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="table" type="orm:table"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="secondary-table" type="orm:secondary-table"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    <xsd:element name="primary-key-join-column"</pre>
                  type="orm:primary-key-join-column"
                 minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    <xsd:element name="id-class" type="orm:id-class" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="inheritance" type="orm:inheritance" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="discriminator-value" type="orm:discriminator-value"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="discriminator-column"</pre>
                  type="orm:discriminator-column"
                  minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="sequence-generator" type="orm:sequence-generator"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="table-generator" type="orm:table-generator"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="named-query" type="orm:named-query"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    <xsd:element name="named-native-query" type="orm:named-native-query"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    <xsd:element name="sql-result-set-mapping"</pre>
                  type="orm:sql-result-set-mapping"
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    <xsd:element name="exclude-default-listeners" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="exclude-superclass-listeners" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="entity-listeners" type="orm:entity-listeners"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="pre-persist" type="orm:pre-persist" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="post-persist" type="orm:post-persist"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="pre-remove" type="orm:pre-remove" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="post-remove" type="orm:post-remove" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="pre-update" type="orm:pre-update" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="post-update" type="orm:post-update" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="post-load" type="orm:post-load" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xsd:element name="attribute-override" type="orm:attribute-override"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    <xsd:element name="association-override"</pre>
                  type="orm:association-override"
```

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minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="attributes" type="orm:attributes" minOccurs="0"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="class" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="cacheable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="metadata-complete" type="xsd:boolean"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<!-- *********************************
 <xsd:simpleType name="access-type">
    <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       This element determines how the persistence provider accesses the
       state of an entity or embedded object.
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:enumeration value="PROPERTY"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="FIELD"/>
   </xsd:restriction>
 </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:complexType name="association-override">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface AssociationOverride {
         String name();
         JoinColumn[] joinColumns() default{};
         JoinTable joinTable() default @JoinTable;
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:choice>
       <xsd:element name="join-column" type="orm:join-column"</pre>
                    minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
       <xsd:element name="join-table" type="orm:join-table"</pre>
                    minOccurs="0"/>
     </xsd:choice>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<!-- *********************************
 <xsd:complexType name="attribute-override">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface AttributeOverride {
         String name();
         Column column();
```

```
</xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="column" type="orm:column"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="attributes">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
       This element contains the entity field or property mappings.
       It may be sparsely populated to include only a subset of the
       fields or properties. If metadata-complete for the entity is true
       then the remainder of the attributes will be defaulted according
       to the default rules.
     </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:choice>
        <xsd:element name="id" type="orm:id"</pre>
                    minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
        <xsd:element name="embedded-id" type="orm:embedded-id"</pre>
                    minOccurs="0"/>
      </xsd:choice>
     <xsd:element name="basic" type="orm:basic"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="version" type="orm:version"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="many-to-one" type="orm:many-to-one"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="one-to-many" type="orm:one-to-many"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="one-to-one" type="orm:one-to-one"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="many-to-many" type="orm:many-to-many"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="element-collection" type="orm:element-collection"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="embedded" type="orm:embedded"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="transient" type="orm:transient"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="basic">
    <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface Basic {
         FetchType fetch() default EAGER;
         boolean optional() default true;
     </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
```

<xsd:sequence>

```
<xsd:element name="column" type="orm:column" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:choice>
        <xsd:element name="lob" type="orm:lob" minOccurs="0"/>
        <xsd:element name="temporal" type="orm:temporal" minOccurs="0"/>
        <xsd:element name="enumerated" type="orm:enumerated" minOccurs="0"/>
      </xsd:choice>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="fetch" type="orm:fetch-type"/>
<xsd:attribute name="optional" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="cascade-type">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        public enum CascadeType { ALL, PERSIST, MERGE, REMOVE, REFRESH,
DETACH };
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="cascade-all" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="cascade-persist" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="cascade-merge" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="cascade-remove" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="cascade-refresh" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="cascade-detach" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="collection-table">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
        public @interface CollectionTable {
          String name() default "";
          String catalog() default "";
          String schema() default "";
          JoinColumn[] joinColumns() default {};
          UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="join-column" type="orm:join-column"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      <xsd:element name="unique-constraint" type="orm:unique-constraint"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="catalog" type="xsd:string"/>
```

```
<xsd:attribute name="schema" type="xsd:string"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="column">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface Column {
          String name() default "";
          boolean unique() default false;
         boolean nullable() default true;
         boolean insertable() default true;
         boolean updatable() default true;
          String columnDefinition() default "";
          String table() default "";
          int length() default 255;
          int precision() default 0; // decimal precision
          int scale() default 0; // decimal scale
     </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
<xsd:attribute name="unique" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="nullable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="insertable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
<xsd:attribute name="updatable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="column-definition" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="table" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="length" type="xsd:int"/>
<xsd:attribute name="precision" type="xsd:int"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="scale" type="xsd:int"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="column-result">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface ColumnResult {
          String name();
     </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<!-- *********************************
  <xsd:complexType name="discriminator-column">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface DiscriminatorColumn {
          String name() default "DTYPE";
          DiscriminatorType discriminatorType() default STRING;
          String columnDefinition() default "";
          int length() default 31;
```

```
</xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="discriminator-type" type="orm:discriminator-type"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="column-definition" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="length" type="xsd:int"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:simpleType name="discriminator-type">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       public enum DiscriminatorType { STRING, CHAR, INTEGER };
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:enumeration value="STRING"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="CHAR"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="INTEGER"/>
   </xsd:restriction>
 </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:simpleType name="discriminator-value">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface DiscriminatorValue {
         String value();
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string"/>
 </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:complexType name="element-collection">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface ElementCollection {
         Class targetClass() default void.class;
         FetchType fetch() default LAZY;
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:choice>
       <xsd:element name="order-by" type="orm:order-by"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
       <xsd:element name="order-column" type="orm:order-column"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
     </xsd:choice>
     <xsd:choice>
       <xsd:element name="map-key" type="orm:map-key"</pre>
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minOccurs="0"/>
        <xsd:sequence>
          <xsd:element name="map-key-class" type="orm:map-key-class"</pre>
                       minOccurs="0"/>
          <xsd:choice>
            <xsd:element name="map-key-temporal"</pre>
                         type="orm:temporal'
                         minOccurs="0"/>
            <xsd:element name="map-key-enumerated"</pre>
                         type="orm:enumerated"
                         minOccurs="0"/>
            <xsd:element name="map-key-attribute-override"</pre>
                         type="orm:attribute-override"
                         minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
          </xsd:choice>
          <xsd:choice>
            <xsd:element name="map-key-column"</pre>
                         type="orm:map-key-column"
                         minOccurs="0"/>
            <xsd:element name="map-key-join-column"</pre>
                         type="orm:map-key-join-column"
                         minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
          </xsd:choice>
        </xsd:sequence>
      </xsd:choice>
      <xsd:choice>
        <xsd:sequence>
          <xsd:element name="column" type="orm:column" minOccurs="0"/>
          <xsd:choice>
            <xsd:element name="temporal"</pre>
                         type="orm:temporal"
                         minOccurs="0"/>
            <xsd:element name="enumerated"</pre>
                         type="orm:enumerated"
                         minOccurs="0"/>
            <xsd:element name="lob"</pre>
                         type="orm:lob"
                         minOccurs="0"/>
          </xsd:choice>
        </xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:sequence>
          <xsd:element name="attribute-override"</pre>
                       type="orm:attribute-override"
                       minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
          <xsd:element name="association-override"</pre>
                       type="orm:association-override"
                       minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
        </xsd:sequence>
      </xsd:choice>
      <xsd:element name="collection-table" type="orm:collection-table"</pre>
                     minOccurs="0"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="target-class" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="fetch" type="orm:fetch-type"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
</xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="embeddable">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        Defines the settings and mappings for embeddable objects. Is
        allowed to be sparsely populated and used in conjunction with
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the annotations. Alternatively, the metadata-complete attribute
       can be used to indicate that no annotations are to be processed
       in the class. If this is the case then the defaulting rules will
       be recursively applied.
       @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface Embeddable {}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="attributes" type="orm:embeddable-attributes"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="class" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="metadata-complete" type="xsd:boolean"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="embeddable-attributes">
    <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="basic" type="orm:basic"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="many-to-one" type="orm:many-to-one"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="one-to-many" type="orm:one-to-many"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="one-to-one" type="orm:one-to-one"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="many-to-many" type="orm:many-to-many"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="element-collection" type="orm:element-collection"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="embedded" type="orm:embedded"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="transient" type="orm:transient"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
 </xsd:complexType>
  <xsd:complexType name="embedded">
    <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface Embedded {}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="attribute-override" type="orm:attribute-override"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="association-override"</pre>
                  type="orm:association-override"
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
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<xsd:complexType name="embedded-id">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface EmbeddedId {}
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="attribute-override" type="orm:attribute-override"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="entity-listener">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       Defines an entity listener to be invoked at lifecycle events
       for the entities that list this listener.
     </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
<xsd:element name="pre-persist" type="orm:pre-persist" minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="post-persist" type="orm:post-persist"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="pre-remove" type="orm:pre-remove" minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="post-remove" type="orm:post-remove" minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="pre-update" type="orm:pre-update" minOccurs="0"/>
<xsd:element name="post-update" type="orm:post-update" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="post-load" type="orm:post-load" minOccurs="0"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="class" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="entity-listeners">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface EntityListeners {
         Class[] value();
     </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="entity-listener" type="orm:entity-listener"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="entity-result">
    <xsd:annotation>
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<xsd:documentation>
       @Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface EntityResult {
        Class entityClass();
        FieldResult[] fields() default {};
        String discriminatorColumn() default "";
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="field-result" type="orm:field-result"</pre>
                minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="entity-class" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="discriminator-column" type="xsd:string"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:simpleType name="enum-type">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       public enum EnumType {
        ORDINAL,
        STRING
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:enumeration value="ORDINAL"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="STRING"/>
   </xsd:restriction>
 </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:simpleType name="enumerated">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface Enumerated {
        EnumType value() default ORDINAL;
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="orm:enum-type"/>
 </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:simpleType name="fetch-type">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      public enum FetchType { LAZY, EAGER };
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:enumeration value="LAZY"/>
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<xsd:enumeration value="EAGER"/>
   </xsd:restriction>
 </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:complexType name="field-result">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      @Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
      public @interface FieldResult {
        String name();
        String column();
       }
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="column" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="generated-value">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
      public @interface GeneratedValue
        GenerationType strategy() default AUTO;
        String generator() default "";
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:attribute name="strategy" type="orm:generation-type"/>
<xsd:attribute name="generator" type="xsd:string"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:simpleType name="generation-type">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      public enum GenerationType { TABLE, SEQUENCE, IDENTITY, AUTO };
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:enumeration value="TABLE"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="SEQUENCE"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="IDENTITY"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="AUTO"/>
   </xsd:restriction>
 </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:complexType name="id">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
      public @interface Id {}
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</xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="column" type="orm:column"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="generated-value" type="orm:generated-value"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="temporal" type="orm:temporal"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="table-generator" type="orm:table-generator"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="sequence-generator" type="orm:sequence-generator"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="id-class">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface IdClass {
         Class value();
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:attribute name="class" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="inheritance">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface Inheritance {
         InheritanceType strategy() default SINGLE_TABLE;
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:attribute name="strategy" type="orm:inheritance-type"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
 <!-- *********************************
 <xsd:simpleType name="inheritance-type">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       public enum InheritanceType
         { SINGLE_TABLE, JOINED, TABLE_PER_CLASS};
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
     <xsd:enumeration value="SINGLE_TABLE"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="JOINED"/>
     <xsd:enumeration value="TABLE_PER_CLASS"/>
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</xsd:restriction>
  </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:complexType name="join-column">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface JoinColumn {
         String name() default "";
         String referencedColumnName() default "";
         boolean unique() default false;
         boolean nullable() default true;
         boolean insertable() default true;
         boolean updatable() default true;
         String columnDefinition() default "";
         String table() default "";
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="referenced-column-name" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="unique" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="nullable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="insertable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
<xsd:attribute name="updatable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="column-definition" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="table" type="xsd:string"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="join-table">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface JoinTable {
         String name() default "";
         String catalog() default "";
         String schema() default "";
         JoinColumn[] joinColumns() default {};
         JoinColumn[] inverseJoinColumns() default {};
         UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="join-column" type="orm:join-column"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="inverse-join-column" type="orm:join-column"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="unique-constraint" type="orm:unique-constraint"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="catalog" type="xsd:string"/>
<xsd:attribute name="schema" type="xsd:string"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
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<xsd:complexType name="lob">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface Lob {}
     </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:simpleType name="lock-mode-type">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
       public enum LockModeType { READ, WRITE, OPTIMISTIC,
OPTIMISTIC_FORCE_INCREMENT, PESSIMISTIC_READ, PESSIMISTIC_WRITE,
PESSIMISTIC_FORCE_INCREMENT, NONE};
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
      <xsd:enumeration value="READ"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="WRITE"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="OPTIMISTIC"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="OPTIMISTIC_FORCE_INCREMENT"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="PESSIMISTIC_READ"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="PESSIMISTIC_WRITE"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="PESSIMISTIC_FORCE_INCREMENT"/>
      <xsd:enumeration value="NONE"/>
    </xsd:restriction>
  </xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:complexType name="many-to-many">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface ManyToMany {
         Class targetEntity() default void.class;
         CascadeType[] cascade() default {};
         FetchType fetch() default LAZY;
         String mappedBy() default "";
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:choice>
        <xsd:element name="order-by" type="orm:order-by"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
        <xsd:element name="order-column" type="orm:order-column"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
      </xsd:choice>
      <xsd:choice>
        <xsd:element name="map-key" type="orm:map-key"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
        <xsd:sequence>
         <xsd:element name="map-key-class" type="orm:map-key-class"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0"/>
         <xsd:choice>
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<xsd:element name="map-key-temporal"</pre>
                          type="orm:temporal"
                          minOccurs="0"/>
            <xsd:element name="map-key-enumerated"</pre>
                          type="orm:enumerated"
                          minOccurs="0"/>
            <xsd:element name="map-key-attribute-override"</pre>
                          type="orm:attribute-override"
                          minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
          </xsd:choice>
          <xsd:choice>
            <xsd:element name="map-key-column" type="orm:map-key-column"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
            <xsd:element name="map-key-join-column"</pre>
                   type="orm:map-key-join-column"
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
          </xsd:choice>
        </xsd:sequence>
      </xsd:choice>
      <xsd:element name="join-table" type="orm:join-table"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="cascade" type="orm:cascade-type"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="target-entity" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="fetch" type="orm:fetch-type"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="mapped-by" type="xsd:string"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="many-to-one">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
        public @interface ManyToOne {
          Class targetEntity() default void.class;
          CascadeType[] cascade() default {};
          FetchType fetch() default EAGER;
          boolean optional() default true;
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:choice>
        <xsd:element name="join-column" type="orm:join-column"</pre>
                      minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
        <xsd:element name="join-table" type="orm:join-table"</pre>
                     minOccurs="0"/>
      </xsd:choice>
      <xsd:element name="cascade" type="orm:cascade-type"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="target-entity" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="fetch" type="orm:fetch-type"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="optional" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
<xsd:attribute name="maps-id" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="id" type="xsd:boolean"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
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<xsd:complexType name="map-key">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface MapKey {
   String name() default "";
      </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="map-key-class">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface MapKeyClass {
         Class value();
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:attribute name="class" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="map-key-column">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface MapKeyColumn {
          String name() default "";
          boolean unique() default false;
          boolean nullable() default false;
          boolean insertable() default true;
         boolean updatable() default true;
          String columnDefinition() default "";
          String table() default "";
          int length() default 255;
          int precision() default 0; // decimal precision
          int scale() default 0; // decimal scale
      </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="unique" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="nullable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="insertable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
<xsd:attribute name="updatable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="column-definition" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="table" type="xsd:string"/>
<xsd:attribute name="length" type="xsd:int"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="precision" type="xsd:int"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="scale" type="xsd:int"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
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<xsd:complexType name="map-key-join-column">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
        public @interface MapKeyJoinColumn {
          String name() default "";
          String referencedColumnName() default "";
          boolean unique() default false;
          boolean nullable() default false;
          boolean insertable() default true;
          boolean updatable() default true;
          String columnDefinition() default "";
          String table() default "";
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="referenced-column-name" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="unique" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="nullable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="insertable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="updatable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="column-definition" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="table" type="xsd:string"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="mapped-superclass">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        Defines the settings and mappings for a mapped superclass. Is
        allowed to be sparsely populated and used in conjunction with
        the annotations. Alternatively, the metadata-complete attribute
        can be used to indicate that no annotations are to be processed
        If this is the case then the defaulting rules will be recursively
        applied.
        @Target(TYPE) @Retention(RUNTIME)
        public @interface MappedSuperclass{}
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="id-class" type="orm:id-class" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="exclude-default-listeners" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="exclude-superclass-listeners" type="orm:emptyType"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="entity-listeners" type="orm:entity-listeners"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="pre-persist" type="orm:pre-persist" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="post-persist" type="orm:post-persist"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="pre-remove" type="orm:pre-remove" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="post-remove" type="orm:post-remove" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="pre-update" type="orm:pre-update" minOccurs="0"/>
<xsd:element name="post-update" type="orm:post-update" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="post-load" type="orm:post-load" minOccurs="0"/>
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<xsd:element name="attributes" type="orm:attributes" minOccurs="0"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="class" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
<xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="metadata-complete" type="xsd:boolean"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="named-native-query">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface NamedNativeQuery {
         String name();
         String query();
         QueryHint[] hints() default {};
         Class resultClass() default void.class;
         String resultSetMapping() default ""; //named SqlResultSetMapping
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="query" type="xsd:string"/>
<xsd:element name="hint" type="orm:query-hint"</pre>
                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="result-class" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="result-set-mapping" type="xsd:string"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="named-query">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface NamedQuery {
         String name();
         String query();
         LockModeType lockMode() default NONE;
         QueryHint[] hints() default {};
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
     <xsd:element name="query" type="xsd:string"/>
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                  minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
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   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
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   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
```

@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)

```
public @interface OneToMany
          Class targetEntity() default void.class;
          CascadeType[] cascade() default {};
          FetchType fetch() default LAZY;
          String mappedBy() default "";
        }
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
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      <xsd:choice>
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                         minOccurs="0"/>
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                         minOccurs="0"/>
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                         minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
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                   type="orm:map-key-join-column"
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        <xsd:element name="join-table" type="orm:join-table"</pre>
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                     minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      </xsd:choice>
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    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="target-entity" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="fetch" type="orm:fetch-type"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="access" type="orm:access-type"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="mapped-by" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="orphan-removal" type="xsd:boolean"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
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    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
```

```
@Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface OneToOne {
         Class targetEntity() default void.class;
         CascadeType[] cascade() default {};
         FetchType fetch() default EAGER;
         boolean optional() default true;
String mappedBy() default "";
         boolean orphanRemoval() default false;
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:choice>
       <xsd:element name="primary-key-join-column"</pre>
                    type="orm:primary-key-join-column"
                    minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
       <xsd:element name="join-column" type="orm:join-column"</pre>
                    minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
       <xsd:element name="join-table" type="orm:join-table"</pre>
                    minOccurs="0"/>
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       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface OrderBy {
         String value() default "";
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string"/>
 </xsd:simpleType>
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   <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface OrderColumn {
         String name() default "";
         boolean nullable() default true;
         boolean insertable() default true;
         boolean updatable() default true;
         String columnDefinition() default "";
```

```
}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="nullable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="insertable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
<xsd:attribute name="updatable" type="xsd:boolean"/>
   <xsd:attribute name="column-definition" type="xsd:string"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
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       @Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface PostLoad {}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
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 </xsd:complexType>
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     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface PostPersist {}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
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     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface PostRemove {}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
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<!-- *********************************
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       @Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
      public @interface PostUpdate {}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
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   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      @Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
      public @interface PrePersist {}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="method-name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
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<xsd:complexType name="pre-remove">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
      @Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
      public @interface PreRemove {}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
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      @Target({METHOD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
      public @interface PreUpdate {}
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   </xsd:annotation>
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```
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    <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface PrimaryKeyJoinColumn {
   String name() default "";
         String referencedColumnName() default "";
         String columnDefinition() default "";
        }
     </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="referenced-column-name" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="column-definition" type="xsd:string"/>
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    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface QueryHint {
          String name();
          String value();
     </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
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<xsd:attribute name="value" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
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    <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface SecondaryTable {
          String name();
         String catalog() default "";
          String schema() default "";
         PrimaryKeyJoinColumn[] pkJoinColumns() default {};
         UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
       </xsd:documentation>
     </xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:sequence>
       <xsd:element name="primary-key-join-column"</pre>
                    type="orm:primary-key-join-column"
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
       <xsd:element name="unique-constraint" type="orm:unique-constraint"</pre>
                   minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
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<xsd:complexType name="sequence-generator">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface SequenceGenerator {
         String name();
         String sequenceName() default "";
         String catalog() default "";
         String schema() default "";
         int initialValue() default 1;
         int allocationSize() default 50;
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
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     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface SqlResultSetMapping {
         String name();
         EntityResult[] entities() default {};
         ColumnResult[] columns() default {};
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
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                 minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
     <xsd:element name="column-result" type="orm:column-result"</pre>
                 minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="table">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({TYPE}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface Table {
  String name() default "";
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String catalog() default "";
          String schema() default "";
          UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="unique-constraint" type="orm:unique-constraint"</pre>
                    minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
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<xsd:attribute name="schema" type="xsd:string"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="table-generator">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({TYPE, METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
        public @interface TableGenerator {
          String name();
           String table() default "";
          String catalog() default "";
String schema() default "";
          String pkColumnName() default "";
          String valueColumnName() default "";
           String pkColumnValue() default
          int initialValue() default 0;
          int allocationSize() default 50;
          UniqueConstraint[] uniqueConstraints() default {};
      </xsd:documentation>
    </xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="description" type="xsd:string" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xsd:element name="unique-constraint" type="orm:unique-constraint"</pre>
                    minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
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<xsd:attribute name="value-column-name" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="pk-column-value" type="xsd:string"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="initial-value" type="xsd:int"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="allocation-size" type="xsd:int"/>
  </xsd:complexType>
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  <xsd:simpleType name="temporal">
    <xsd:annotation>
      <xsd:documentation>
        @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
        public @interface Temporal {
           TemporalType value();
      </xsd:documentation>
```

```
</xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:restriction base="orm:temporal-type"/>
 </xsd:simpleType>
 <!-- **********************************
 <xsd:simpleType name="temporal-type">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
       public enum TemporalType {
        DATE, // java.sql.Date
TIME, // java.sql.Time
        TIMESTAMP // java.sql.Timestamp
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:restriction base="xsd:token">
       <xsd:enumeration value="DATE"/>
       <xsd:enumeration value="TIME"/>
       <xsd:enumeration value="TIMESTAMP"/>
    </xsd:restriction>
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       @Target({METHOD, FIELD}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
       public @interface Transient {}
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
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 </xsd:complexType>
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     <xsd:documentation>
       @Target({}) @Retention(RUNTIME)
      public @interface UniqueConstraint {
        String name() default "";
        String[] columnNames();
     </xsd:documentation>
   </xsd:annotation>
   <xsd:sequence>
     <xsd:element name="column-name" type="xsd:string"</pre>
                maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
   </xsd:sequence>
   <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string"/>
 </xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="version">
   <xsd:annotation>
     <xsd:documentation>
```

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## Chapter 13 Related Documents

- [1] Enterprise JavaBeans, v. 3.0. Java Persistence API.
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# Appendix A Revision History

This appendix lists the significant changes that have been made during the development of the Java Persistence 2.0 specification.

## A.1 Early Draft 1

Created document from EJB 3.0 Java Persistence API Final Release draft.

Added support for collections of embeddables and basic types.

Added ElementCollection and CollectionTable annotations.

Added support for multiple levels of embeddable classes and embeddable classes.

Added support for embeddable classes containing collections of embeddables and basic types.

Added support for embeddable classes containing relationships to entities.

Cleaned up language for marking a transaction for rollback.

Added support for primary keys corresponding to derived identities.

Added MappedById annotation to support derived identities.

Clarified that Temporal annotation can be applied to simple primary keys.

Added more generalized support for Map collections. Basic, embeddable, and entity types can be map keys and map values.

Added MapKeyClass, MapKeyColumn, MapKeyJoinColumn, and MapKeyJoinColumns annotations.

Extended AttributeOverride annotation to allow it to specify multiple levels of embeddables and to be used with map keys and values and with collections of elements.

Extended AssociationOverride annotation to allow it to be used to override the mapping of embeddables that contain relationships to entities.

Added support for persistently ordered lists using OrderColumn and provider-managed ordering column.

Extended OrderBy annotation to handle element collections and ordering by embeddable classes.

Added BigInteger and BigDecimal as primary key types.

Added catalog and schema to sequence generator.

Defined support for combinations of access types within an entity hierarchy and within a managed class.

Added Access annotation.

Defined support for foreign key mapping strategy for unidirectional one-to-many relationships.

Added support for join table mappings for many-to-one and one-to-one relationships.

Added clear method to EntityManager interface to allow entities to be evicted from the persistence context; added CLEAR cascade option.

Added orphan removal functionality.

Added getEntityManagerFactory method to EntityManager interface.

Added getCache to EntityManagerFactory interface.

Added Cache interface.

Added support for pessimistic locking and new lock mode types.

Added PessimisticLockException and LockTimeoutException.

Added overloaded find and refresh methods to support locking.

Added support for locking through queries.

Added overloaded find and refresh methods added to support locking with standardized and vendor-specific properties and hints.

Added standardized hint javax.persistence.lock.timeout for use in locking configuration.

Added the standardized properties javax.persistence.jdbc.driver, javax.persistence.jdbc.url, javax.persistence.jdbc.user, javax.persistence.jdbc.password for use in persistence unit and entity manager factory configuration.

Added standardized hint javax persistence query timeout for use in query configuration.

Added QueryTimeoutException.

Updated Query methods getResultList, getSingleResult, executeUpdate to now throw QueryTime-outException.

Added Query getLockMode and setLockMode methods.

Added Query getHints and getSupportedHints methods.

Added EntityManager getLockMode, getProperties and getSupportedProperties methods.

Added EntityManagerFactory getProperties and getSupportedProperties methods.

Added Query getNamedParameters and getPositionalParameters methods.

Added Query getMaxResults, getFirstResult, and getFlushMode methods.

Editorial changes and clarifications.

#### A.2 Public Review Draft

Added section on naming of database objects.

Added EntityManager and Query unwrap methods.

Added support for the following to the Java Persistence query language: collections of basic types; collections of embeddable types; nested embeddables; relationships from embeddables; relationships from embeddables in element collections; ordered lists; maps.

Added support for operators and functions in query SELECT list.

Added support for CASE, NULLIF, COALESCE operations.

Added support for date, time, and timestamp literals in queries.

Added support for collection-valued input parameters in query IN expressions.

Added use of result variables in SELECT list to support more general ORDER BY functionality.

Added entity type expressions to support non-polymorphic queries.

Added support for use of identification variables in constructors in SELECT list.

Updated XML object/relational mapping schema and overriding rules to reflect mapping functionality available through annotations.

Updated persistence.xml. At least one <persistence-unit> element must be supplied.

Added Criteria API.

Added getQueryBuilder methods to EntityManager and EntityManagerFactory interfaces.

Made third argument of Java Persistence query language substring function optional.

Added clarification that fetch joins are not supported in subquery FROM clauses.

Allowed the use of joins in subquery FROM clauses.

Editorial improvements.

#### A.3 Proposed Final Draft

EntityManagerFactory getProperties returns Map<String, Object>.

Added optional name element to UniqueConstraint annotation and corresponding XML type.

Timeouts are in milliseconds.

Renamed the method to detach an entity from the persistence context to detach.

Renamed cascade CLEAR to DETACH.

Added attribute-override and association-override to element-collection XML schema type; changed target-entity attribute to target-class in element-collection.

Split LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC into LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_READ and LockModeType.PESSIMISTIC\_WRITE.

Clarified that relationships defined in a mapped superclass must be unidirectional.

Allowed use of AssociationOverrides to apply to mapped superclass relationships.

Removed contiguous and base elements from OrderColumn annotation; clarified that column must be of integral type and provider must maintain contiguous ordering.

Added caching and validation-mode elements to persistence.xml.

Added Cacheable annotation and support for CacheGetMode and CachePutMode properties.

Added contracts for integration of Bean Validation and automatic entity validation upon lifecycle events.

Added contracts for determining load state.

Added PersistenceProviderResolver interface and PersistenceProviderResolverHolder class.

Reorganized chapter on deployment and bootstrapping contracts.

Added PersistenceUtil interface, with isLoaded methods.

Added isLoaded, isLoadedWithoutReference, isLoadedWithReference to PersistenceProvider interface.

Added cacheable attribute to entity element in orm.xml.

Added delimited-identifiers element to persistence-unit-defaults element in orm.xml.

Added find and refresh methods with properties argument.

Added EntityManager setProperty method.

Clarified that OrderBy annotation applied to an element collection of basic type doesn't require property or field name.

Added metamodel API.

Replaced earlier version of criteria API with a typesafe API.

Added getMetamodel methods to EntityManager and EntityManagerFactory interfaces.

Allowed Lob, Temporal, Enumerated annotations to be applied to element collections. If the element collection is a Map, these apply to the map value. Updated XML to reflect.

Added MapKeyEnumerated and MapKeyTemporal annotations. Updated XML to reflect.

Noted that metamodel classes must be designated as part of the persistence unit by same means as other managed classes.

Added Result, ResultItem, and Parameter interfaces to javax.persistence package.

Added getParameters, getParameterValue, getParameter, getResultItem, and getResultItems methods to Query interface; removed getNamedParameters and getPositionalParameters.

### A.4 Proposed Final Draft 2

Added methods to Expression interface to support use of collection-valued parameters with in-expressions in the criteria API.

Added clarifications to pessimistic locking. Added javax.persistence.lock.scope property to support extension of pessimistic locking to element collections and relationships owned by an entity that are contained in join tables. Added PessimisticLockScope enum.

Added requirement that Java Persistence query language reserved identifiers not be used as result variables.

Added the following to the list of Java Persistence query language reserved identifiers: ABS, BOTH, CONCAT, ELSE, END, ESCAPE, LEADING, LENGTH, LOCATE, SET, SIZE, SQRT, SUBSTRING, TRAILING.

Removed requirement that generated metamodel classes be specified via persistence.xml.

Added clarification of the persistence.xml jar-file element and examples of its use.

Renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.Entity to javax.persistence.metamodel.EntityType; renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.Embeddable to javax.persistence.metamodel.EmbeddableType; renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.MappedSuperclass to javax.persistence.metamodel.MappedSuperclassType; renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.Basic to javax.persistence.metamodel.BasicType.

Renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.AbstractCollection to javax.persistence.metamodel.AbstractCollectionAttribute; renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.Collection to javax.persistence.metamodel.CollectionAttribute; renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.Set to javax.persistence.metamodel.SetAttribute; renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.List to javax.persistence.metamodel.ListAttribute; renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.Map to javax.persistence.metamodel.MapAttribute.

Renamed TypesafeMetamodel annotation to StaticMetamodel.

Renamed CacheGetMode to CacheRetrieveMode and CachePutMode to CacheStoreMode. Clarified semantics of CacheStoreMode. Renamed cacheGetMode property to cacheRetrieveMode and cachePut-Mode property to cacheStoreMode.

Renamed the persistence.xml caching element to shared-cache-mode and added the UNSPECIFIED value to the persistence:persistence-unit-caching-type enum. Renamed the Caching enum as Shared-CacheMode and renamed the PersistenceUnitInfo getCaching method to getSharedCacheMode.

Renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.Member to javax.persistence.metamodel.Attribute; renamed getMemberJavaType to getJavaType.

Renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.AbstractCollectionAttribute to javax.persistence.metamodel.PluralAttribute.

Renamed javax.persistence.metamodel.Attribute to javax.persistence.metamodel.SingularAttribute. Renamed Multiplicity enum to PersistentAttributeType, and moved to new Attribute interface; renamed getMultiplicity to getPersistentAttributeType. Renamed getAttributeType to getType. Removed Multiplicity enum from PluralAttribute and merged values into PersistentAttributeType.

Added has Version Attribute and getIdClass Attributes methods to Identifiable Type interface; renamed has IdAttribute to has Single IdAttribute.

Added getAttributes and getDeclaredAttributes methods to ManagedType.

Added string-based getAttribute and getDeclaredAttribute methods to ManagedType.

Renamed getJavaType method of Bindable interface as getBindableJavaType and clarified semantics; renamed BindableType enum values renamed as SINGULAR\_ATTRIBUTE, PLURAL\_ATTRIBUTE, ENTITY TYPE.

Renamed javax.persistence.criteria.AbstractCollectionAttribute interface as PluralAttribute.

Renamed javax.persistence.criteria.AbstractCollectionJoin interface as PluralJoin.

Renamed select method of QueryBuilder interface as construct.

Added support for use of JDBC escape syntax to specify date/time/timestamp literals in JPQL; extended use of datetime primary to include literals.

Removed table element from the OrderColumn annotation and XML element.

Added string-based methods getAttribute, getDeclaredAttribute to ManagedType interface.

Created TypedQuery interface.

Added EntityManager methods to create typed queries.

Renamed ResultItem interface to TupleElement.

Renamed Result interface to Tuple. Added methods to get tuple elements and to get the value of a tuple element by its alias.

Split Parameter interface into Parameter and ParameterExpression.

Added Query methods to support specifying temporal types for Parameter objects; added methods to return Parameter objects given a name or position.

Added methods to get the value of named and positional parameters.

Added isNull, isNotNull methods to QueryBuilder interface.

Renamed Selection setAlias method to alias. Changed it to return a new Selection instance rather than mutate.

Removed getJavaType method from Expression interface (it is inherited); added in methods.

Added typed createQuery and createTupleQuery methods to QueryBuilder interface. Renamed untyped create method as createQuery.

AbstractQuery and CriteriaQuery interfaces are now parameterized by result type.

Removed CriteriaQuery vararg select method; added select(Selection<T>) method to support result typing; added multiselect methods.

Removed add method from Predicate interface.

Changed reverse method of Order interface to return a new Order instance rather than mutate.

Updated criteria query examples.

Clarified overriding rules for query hints and properties.

Updates to reflect changes to Bean Validation APIs.

Added warning about use of embeddable classes and mapped superclasses in contexts of both field access and property access without explicitly specifying the access type.

Clarified that unidirectional many-to-one relationships may also be mapped by join tables.

Clarifications to examples in chapter 7.

Clarified that the root of a persistence unit in the root of an EAR file is not supported. Portable applications should use the EAR library directory for this purpose instead.

Clarified that right outer joins are not required to be supported in this release.

Added PersistenceUnitUtil interface; added getPersistenceUnitUtil method to EntityManagerFactory interface.

Added ProviderUtil interface; moved isLoaded methods from PersistenceProvider to ProviderUtil.

Added clearCachedProviders method to PersistenceProviderResolver interface.

Clarified that schema and catalog subelements of entity-mappings element apply to table generators and sequence generators.

Added cascade-detach to XML cascade-type type.

Corrected default of exclude-unlisted-classes element of persistence 2 0.xsd.

Renamed PersistenceUnitInfo PersistenceXMLSchemaVersion() as getPersistenceXMLSchemaVersion().

Renamed properties javax.persistence.cacheRetrieveMode and javax.persistence.cacheStoreMode as javax.persistence.cache.retrieveMode and javax.persistence.cache.storeMode.

Clarified that Set<Parameter<?>>> getParameters() method returns parameter objects corresponding to the declared parameters of the query. Parameter objects are not required to be supported for native queries.

Added isBound method to Query interface.

Moved getParameter methods with Class<T> arguments from TypedQuery to Query.

Added getJavaType method to Parameter interface.

Changed "name" element of unique-constraint element to "name" attribute.

Moved getResultType method to AbstractQuery.

Added nullLiteral method to QueryBuilder interface.

Added clarification that managed classes of the persistence unit must not be loaded by the application class loader (or its parent class loaders) before the entity manager factory for the persistence unit has been created.

Clarified that embeddables returned as query results are not managed.

Specified rules for query results involving numerical expressions.

Clarifications to rules for derived identities and id class usage.

Listed methods of the Query and TypedQuery interfaces whose exceptions do not result in transaction rollback.

Renamed Parameter.getJavaType() to getParameterType.

Renamed getCollections and getDeclaredCollections to getPluralAttributes and getDeclaredPluralAttributes.

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Renamed Subquery.getJoins as getCorrelatedJoins; clarified semantics.

Removed joinKey methods from MapJoin interface.

Clarified semantics of AbstractQuery getRoots method.

Moved SharedCacheMode and ValidationMode from javax.persistence.spi package to javax.persistence.

Added javax.persistence.sharedCache.mode property.

PersistenceUnitUtil.getIdentifier throws IllegalArgumentException (not IllegalStateException) if argument is not an entity.

Clarified semantics of isNegated().

Added @Documented to Entity, MappedSuperclass, Embeddable annotations.

Added sumAsLong, sumAsDouble methods to QueryBuilder interface to match JPQL semantics.

Added isCorrelated, getCorrelationParent to From interface.

Change to signature of QueryBuilder methods involving Comparable types.

Renamed QueryBuilder interface to CriteriaBuilder. Renamed methods of interfaces referencing this interface accordingly.

Renamed Predicate.negate() method as not().

Clarified that the value of the Cacheable annotation applies to subclasses unless overridden.

Renamed the type() method of the Metamodel interface to managedType().

Renamed MappedById annotation to MapsId; clarified semantics.

Renamed mapped-by-id XML attribute to maps-id.

Clarified semantics of properties vs hints.

Removed getSupportedProperties from EntityManagerFactory and EntityManager and getSupportedHints from Query. This functionality should be addressed more systematically in a future release.

Editorial sweep.