

Wer hat was wann geändert? Einfache Auditierung mit Envers

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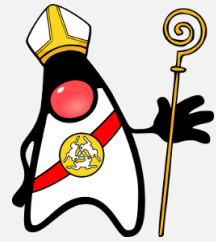
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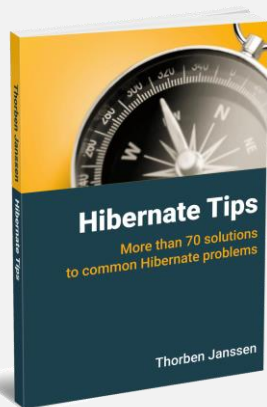
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- Definition Audit Log

“An audit trail (also called audit log) is a security-relevant chronological record, set of records, and/or destination and source of records that provide documentary evidence of the sequence of activities that have affected at any time a specific operation, procedure, or event.”

Wikipedia (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Audit_trail)

- What it means:

- Documents all changes in your database

Hibernate Envers

- Integrates with Hibernate ORM
- Automatically writes the audit log
 - Writes an audit record when an entity gets created, updated and deleted
 - Uses lifecycle listener
- Powerful query API

Setup Hibernate Envers

- Maven dependency

```
<dependency>  
  <groupId>org.hibernate</groupId>  
  <artifactId>hibernate-envers</artifactId>  
</dependency>
```

- Requires Hibernate ORM

Database Tables

- Required tables
 - Revision table
 - Default name: REVINFO
- An audit table for each audited entity

Revision Table

- Revision Table

```
CREATE TABLE revinfo  
(  
    rev integer NOT NULL,  
    revtstp bigint,  
    CONSTRAINT revinfo_pkey PRIMARY KEY (rev)  
)
```


- One for each audited entity
 - Default name: <name of audited table>_AUD
 - Configure custom name with *@AuditTable* annotation
- Columns
 - Primary key
 - Audited fields
 - Revision number and type

- Audit table of *Author* entity

```
CREATE TABLE author_aud
(
  id bigint NOT NULL,
  rev integer NOT NULL,
  revtype smallint,
  firstname character varying(255),
  lastname character varying(255),
  CONSTRAINT author_aud_pkey PRIMARY KEY (id, rev),
  CONSTRAINT author_aud_revinfo FOREIGN KEY (rev)
  REFERENCES revinfo (rev) MATCH SIMPLE
  ON UPDATE NO ACTION ON DELETE NO ACTION
)
```

Audit entities

Audit an entity

- Annotate entity or attribute with @Audited

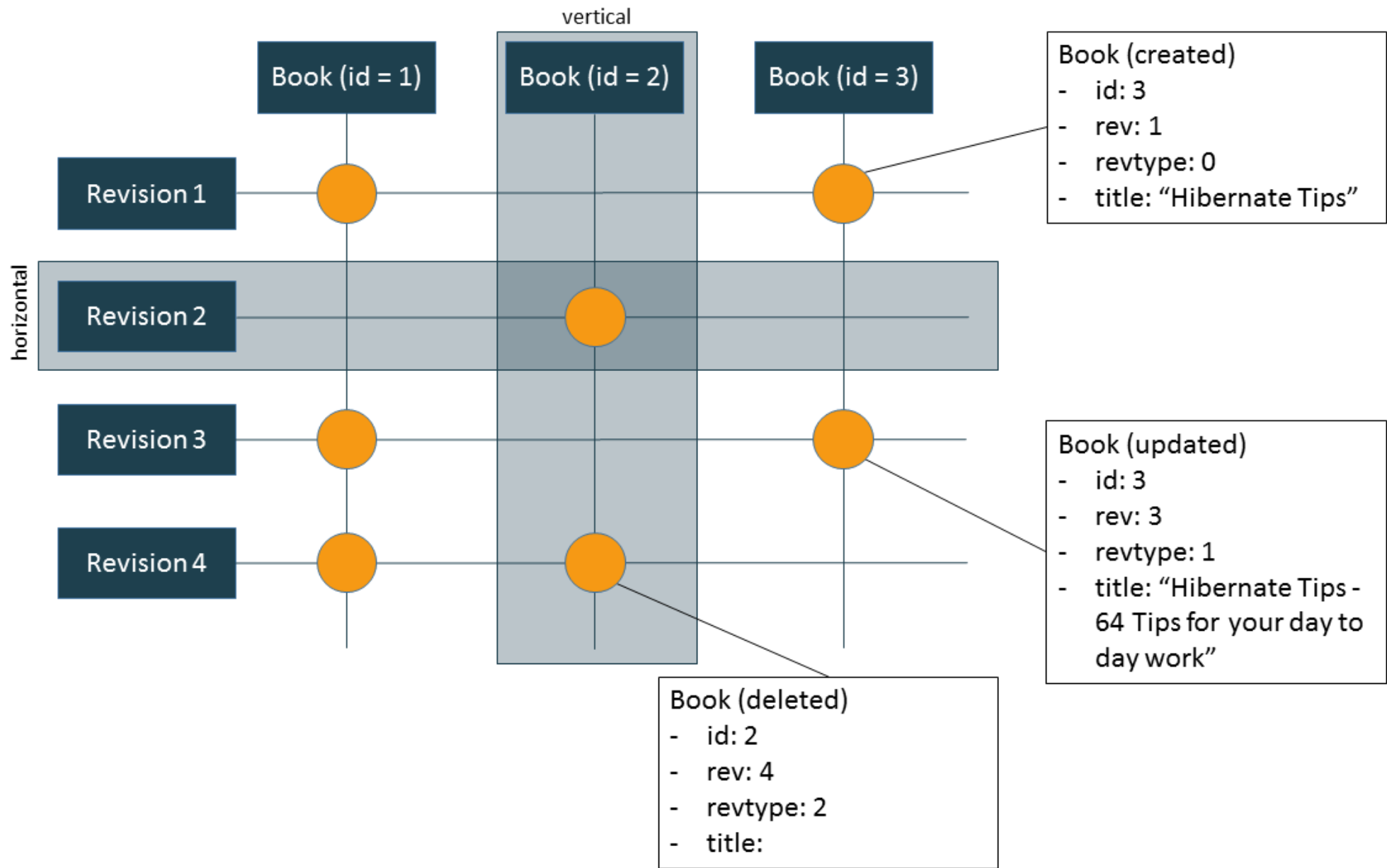
```
@Entity  
@Audited  
public class Author { ... }
```

- No additional configuration required!

Demo

Read audit information

2 Dimensions



- Retrieves the revisions of an entity
 - *forRevisionsOfEntity(Class c, boolean selectedEntitiesOnly, boolean selectDeletedEntities)*

```
AuditQuery q = auditReader.createQuery()  
                        .forRevisionsOfEntity(Book.class, true, true);  
q.add(AuditEntity.id().eq(b.getId()));  
List<Book> audit = q.getResultList();
```


Demo

- Retrieves the entities of a revision
 - *forEntitiesAtRevision(Class<?> c, Number revision)*

```
AuditQuery q = auditReader.createQuery().forEntitiesAtRevision(Book.class, 2);  
q.add(AuditEntity.property("title").ilike("Hibernate", MatchMode.ANYWHERE));  
q.addOrder(AuditEntity.property("title").asc());  
List<Book> audit = q.getResultList();
```

Demo

Audit Strategies

Audit Strategies

- 2 Strategies
 - Default audit strategy
 - Persists audit data with a start revision
 - Validity audit strategy
 - Persist audit data with a start and end revision

Audit Strategy

- Defined by `org.hibernate.envers.audit_strategy`
 - `org.hibernate.envers.strategy.DefaultAuditStrategy`
 - `org.hibernate.envers.strategy.ValidityAuditStrategy`

```
<persistence>
  <persistence-unit name="my-persistence-unit">
    <properties>
      ...
      <property name="org.hibernate.envers.audit_strategy"
        value="org.hibernate.envers.strategy.ValidityAuditStrategy" />
    
```

Demo

Custom Revisions

Additional Information

- Only minimal set of revision information
- Often required information
 - User name
 - IP address

Custom Revision

- Requires 2 classes
 - A revision entity annotated with `@RevisionEntity`
 - Implementation of `RevisionListener`

Revision Entity

- Required attributes
 - Revision number
 - Of type *int/Integer* or *long/Long*
 - Annotated with *@RevisionNumber*
 - Revision timestamp
 - Of type *long/Long* or *java.util.Date*
 - Annotated with *@RevisionTimestamp*

Revision Entity

- Easiest option: extend *DefaultRevisionEntity*
 - Good approach to add a few attributes

```
@Entity
@RevisionEntity(MyRevisionListener.class)
public class MyRevision extends DefaultRevisionEntity {

    private String userName;

    ...

}
```

RevisionListener

- Sets all additional revision attributes

```
public class MyRevisionListener implements RevisionListener {  
  
    @Override  
    public void newRevision(Object revisionEntity) {  
        MyRevision rev = (MyRevision) revisionEntity;  
        rev.setUsername(getUserName());  
    }  
  
    ...  
}
```

- Use it in queries as any other audited attributes

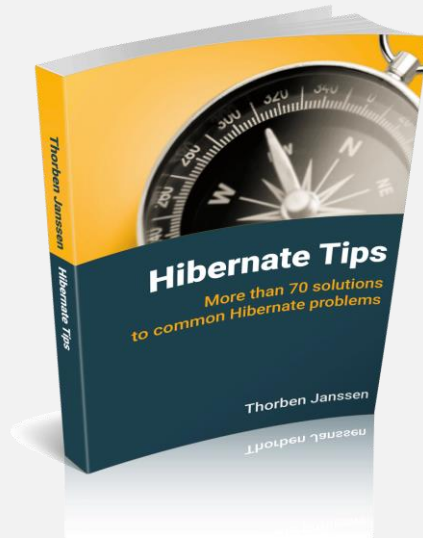
```
AuditQuery q = auditReader.createQuery()  
    .forRevisionsOfEntity(Book.class, false, true);  
q.addProjection(AuditEntity.revisionNumber());  
q.add(AuditEntity.revisionProperty("userName").eq("User 1"));  
List<Number> revisionNumbers = q.getResultList();
```

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