

Introduction to Entity Beans



Entity Beans

An **entity bean represents a business object**

- **in a persistent storage mechanism.** Some examples of business objects are customers, orders, and products.

The bean represents a **business entity, not a procedure**. For example, CreditCardEJB would be an entity bean, but CreditCardVerifierEJB would be a session bean.

The bean's state **must be persistent**. If the bean instance terminates or if the J2EE server is shut down or crashes, the bean's state still exists in persistent storage (a database).

Entity Beans: PERSISTENCE

- Persistence means that the entity bean's state exists beyond the lifetime of the application or the J2EE server process.

There are two types of persistence for entity beans: **bean-managed** and **container-managed**.

With **bean-managed persistence (BMP)**, the entity bean code that you write contains the calls that access the database.

If your bean has **container-managed persistence (CMP)**, the EJB container automatically generates the necessary database access calls. The code that you write for the entity bean does not include these calls.

Entity Beans: SHARED ACCESS

Entity beans may be shared by multiple clients.

- Because the clients might want to change the same data, it's important that **entity beans work within transactions**.

Typically, the EJB container provides transaction management. In this case, **you specify the transaction attributes in the bean's deployment descriptor**.

You do not have to code the transaction boundaries in the bean--the container marks the boundaries for you.

Entity Beans: DB-like features

Like in a relational database:

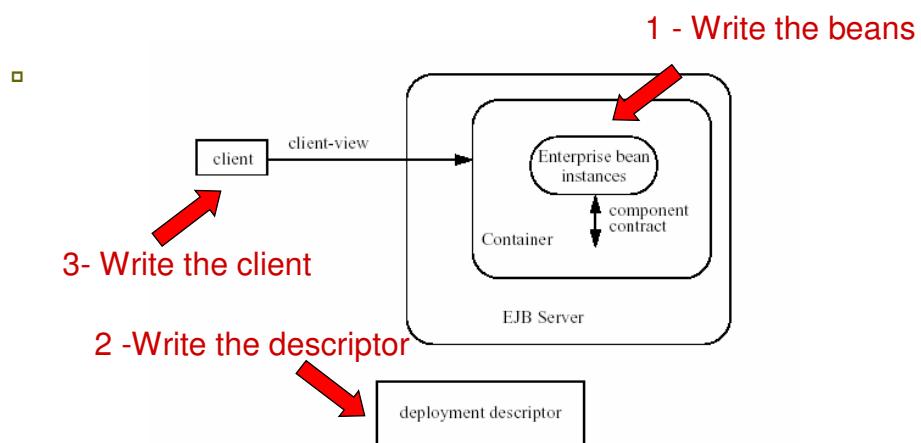
- Each entity bean has a **unique object identifier**;
- An entity bean **may be related to other entity beans**.

The unique identifier, or **primary key**, enables the client to locate a particular entity bean.

You implement **relationships** differently for entity beans with BMP and those with CMP:

- **BMP**: the code that you write implements the relationships.
- **CMP**: the EJB container takes care of the relationships for you. (*container-managed relationships*).

Architectural view



EJB ingredients

Interfaces: The **remote** and **home** interfaces are required for remote access. For local access, the **local** and **local home** interfaces are required.

Enterprise bean class: Implements the methods defined in the interfaces.

Helper classes: Other classes needed by the enterprise bean class, such as exception and utility classes.

EJB ingredients

Deployment descriptor: An **XML** file that

- specifies information about the bean such as its **persistence type** and **transaction attributes**.

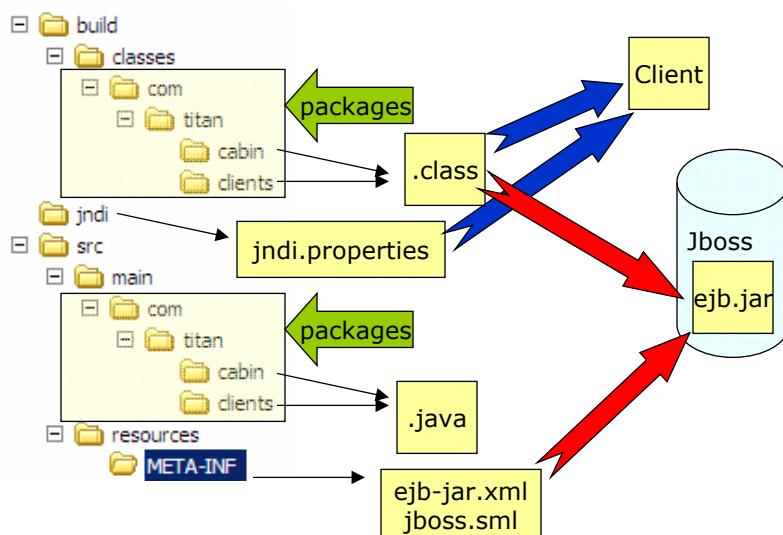
- You package the files in the preceding list into an **EJB JAR file**, the module that stores the enterprise bean.
- To assemble a J2EE application, you package one or more modules--such as EJB JAR files-- into an **EAR file**, the archive file that holds the application.

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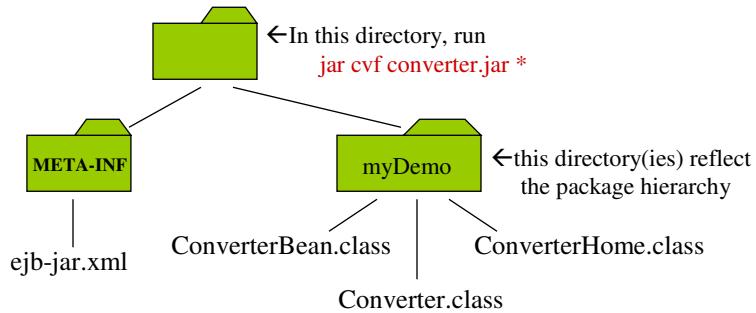
An example: part 1-the server



La struttura dei files



structure of the jar file



Watch out! Packages often make life complex.
(it's easy to make mistakes)
Try first without packages.

Esempio 1

1. CabinRemote

```
package com.titan.cabin;  
  
import java.rmi.RemoteException;  
  
public interface CabinRemote extends javax.ejb.EJBObject  
{  
    public String getName() throws RemoteException;  
    public void setName(String str) throws RemoteException;  
    public int getDeckLevel() throws RemoteException;  
    public void setDeckLevel(int level) throws RemoteException;  
    public int getShipId() throws RemoteException;  
    public void setShipId(int sp) throws RemoteException;  
    public int getBedCount() throws RemoteException;  
    public void setBedCount(int bc) throws RemoteException;  
}
```

La classe deve estendere EJBObject

DEFINIRE l'interfaccia per i metodi di accesso ai dati

Esempio 1

1. CabinBean

```
□ package com.titan.cabin;
import javax.ejb.EntityContext;
import javax.ejb.CreateException;
public abstract class CabinBean implements javax.ejb.EntityBean
{
    public Integer ejbCreate(Integer id) throws CreateException
    {
        this.setId(id);
        return null;
    }
    public void ejbPostCreate(Integer id) {}
```

La classe deve implementare EntityBean

DEFINIRE ejbCreate E ejbPostCreate (Anche se vuoto)

Esempio 1

1. CabinBean

```
□ public abstract void setId(Integer id);
public abstract Integer getId();

public abstract void setShipId(int ship);
public abstract int getShipId();

public abstract void setName(String name);
public abstract String getName();

public abstract void setBedCount(int count);
public abstract int getBedCount();

public abstract void setDeckLevel(int level);
public abstract int getDeckLevel();
```

DEFINIRE
I METODI ASTRATTI DI ACCESSO AI DATI
(quelli definiti dall'interfaccia)

Esempio 1

1. CabinBean

```
public void setEntityContext(EntityContext ctx) {  
    // Not implemented }  
  
□ public void unsetEntityContext() { // Not implemented }  
  
public void ejbActivate() { // Not implemented }  
  
public void ejbPassivate() { // Not implemented }  
  
public void ejbLoad() { // Not implemented }  
  
public void ejbStore() { // Not implemented }  
  
public void ejbRemove() { // Not implemented }  
}
```

OBBLIGATORIO
IMPLEMENTARE
LE CALLBACK
ANCHE SE VUOTE

Esempio 1

1. CabinHomeRemote

```
package com.titan.cabin;  
  
□ import java.rmi.RemoteException;  
import javax.ejb.CreateException;  
import javax.ejb.FinderException;  
  
public interface CabinHomeRemote extends javax.ejb.EJBHome  
{  
    public CabinRemote create(Integer id)  
        throws CreateException, RemoteException;  
  
    public CabinRemote findByPrimaryKey(Integer pk)  
        throws FinderException, RemoteException;  
}
```

L'interfaccia deve
estendere
EJBHome

DEFINIRE
il metodo create
e i finder

ejb-jar.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<!DOCTYPE ejb-jar PUBLIC "-//Sun Microsystems, Inc.//DTD
Enterprise JavaBeans 2.0//EN" "http://java.sun.com/dtd/ejb-
jar_2_0.dtd">

<ejb-jar>
<enterprise-beans>
...
</enterprise-beans>

<assembly-descriptor>
...
</assembly-descriptor>
</ejb-jar>
```

mysql-ds.xml

```
<datasources>
    <local-tx-datasource>
        <jndi-name>Cabin</jndi-name>
        <connection-url>
            jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/cabin</connection-
url>
        <driver-class>org.gjt.mm.mysql.Driver</driver-class>
        <user-name>root</user-name>
        <password/>
    </local-tx-datasource>
</datasources>
```

ejb-jar.xml

```
<enterprise-beans>
<entity>
<ejb-name>CabinEJB</ejb-name>
<home>com.titan.cabin.CabinHomeRemote</home>
<remote>com.titan.cabin.CabinRemote</remote>
<ejb-class>com.titan.cabin.CabinBean</ejb-class>
<persistence-type>Container</persistence-type>
<prim-key-class>java.lang.Integer</prim-key-class>
<reentrant>False</reentrant>
<cmp-version>2.x</cmp-version>
<abstract-schema-name>Cabin</abstract-schema-name>
<cmp-field><field-name>id</field-name></cmp-field>
<cmp-field><field-name>name</field-name></cmp-field>
<cmp-field><field-name>deckLevel</field-name></cmp-field>
<cmp-field><field-name>shipId</field-name></cmp-field>
<cmp-field><field-name>bedCount</field-name></cmp-field>
<primkey-field>id</primkey-field>
<security-identity><use-caller-identity/></security-identity>
</entity>
</enterprise-beans>
```

ejb-jar.xml

```
<assembly-descriptor>
<security-role>
<description> This role represents everyone who is allowed full
access to the Cabin EJB. </description>
<role-name>everyone</role-name>
</security-role>
<method-permission>
<role-name>everyone</role-name>
<method>
<ejb-name>CabinEJB</ejb-name>
<method-name>*</method-name>
</method>
</method-permission>
<container-transaction>
<method>
<ejb-name>CabinEJB</ejb-name>
<method-name>*</method-name>
</method>
<trans-attribute>Required</trans-attribute>
</container-transaction>
</assembly-descriptor>
```

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An example: part 2-the client



jndi.properties

Il file jndi.properties deve essere nella application root

```
java.naming.factory.initial=org.jnp.interfaces.NamingContextFactory  
java.naming.factory.url.pkgs=org.jboss.naming:org.jnp.interfaces  
java.naming.provider.url=localhost:1099
```

Esempio 1

Client

```
import com.titan.cabin.CabinRemote;
import javax.naming.InitialContext;
import javax.naming.Context;
import javax.rmi.PortableRemoteObject;

public static Context getInitialContext()
    throws javax.naming.NamingException
{
    return new InitialContext();
/** context initialized by jndi.properties file
Properties p = new Properties();
p.put(Context.INITIAL_CONTEXT_FACTORY,
"org.jnp.interfaces.NamingContextFactory");
p.put(Context.URL_PKG_PREFIXES,
"jboss.naming:org.jnp.interfaces");
p.put(Context.PROVIDER_URL, "localhost:1099");
return new javax.naming.InitialContext(p);
}
```

Una possibile
alternativa
sarebbe:

Contesto
Inizializzato da
Jndi.properties

Esempio 1

Client

```
public class Client_1
{
    public static void main(String [] args)
    {
        String command[]={

            "create",
            "read",
            "update",
            "delete"
        };
        if (args.length==0) {
            System.out.println("Usage:");
            System.out.println(command[0]);
            System.out.println(command[1]);
            System.out.println(command[2] + " name");
            System.out.println(command[3]);
            System.exit(0);
        }
        // continua...
    }
}
```

Esempio 1

Client

Acquisisci il
contesto
e stampalo

```
try {
    Context jndiContext = getInitialContext();
    java.util.Hashtable ht=jndiContext.getEnvironment();

    System.out.println("INITIAL_CONTEXT_FACTORY
        "+ht.get(Context.INITIAL_CONTEXT_FACTORY));

    System.out.println("URL_PKG_PREFIXES
        "+ht.get(Context.URL_PKG_PREFIXES));

    System.out.println("PROVIDER_URL
        "+ht.get(Context.PROVIDER_URL));

    Iterator i=ht.keySet().iterator();
    while (i.hasNext()) {
        Object o=i.next();
        System.out.println(o+" "+ht.get(o));
    }
}
```

Esempio 1

Client

```
Object ref = jndiContext.lookup("CabinHomeRemote");
//Object ref = jndiContext.lookup("CabinEJB");
CabinHomeRemote home = (CabinHomeRemote)
    PortableRemoteObject.narrow(ref,CabinHomeRemote.class);

if (args[0].equals(command[0])) { //create
    CabinRemote cabin_1 = home.create(new Integer(1));
    cabin_1.setName("Master Suite")
    cabin_1.setDeckLevel(1);
    cabin_1.setShipId(1);
    cabin_1.setBedCount(3);
}

else if (args[0].equals(command[1])) { //read
    Integer pk = new Integer(1);
    CabinRemote cabin_2 = home.findByPrimaryKey(pk);
    System.out.println(cabin_2.getName());
    System.out.println(cabin_2.getDeckLevel());
    System.out.println(cabin_2.getShipId());
    System.out.println(cabin_2.getBedCount());
}
```

home.create

home.find

Esempio 1

Client

```
else if (args[0].equals(command[2])) { //update    home.find
    Integer pk = new Integer(1);
    CabinRemote cabin_3 = home.findByPrimaryKey(pk);
    cabin_3.setName(args[1]);
    System.out.println("Scritto: "+args[1]);
}

else if (args[0].equals(command[3])) { //delete    home.find
    Integer pk = new Integer(1);
    CabinRemote cabin_4 = home.findByPrimaryKey(pk);
    cabin_4.remove();
    System.out.println("Cancellato");
}

else {
    System.out.print("Unrecognized command: "+args[0]);
}
```

Esempio 1

Client

```
catch (java.rmi.RemoteException re){re.printStackTrace();}
catch (javax.ejb.RemoveException re){re.printStackTrace();}
catch (javax.naming.NamingException ne){ne.printStackTrace();}
catch (javax.ejb.CreateException ce){ce.printStackTrace();}
catch (javax.ejb.FinderException fe){fe.printStackTrace();}

}
```

Tratta le
eccezioni
e termina

□ **Esecuzione:**

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| ■ ant run.client -Darg1=create | OK |
| ■ ant run.client -Darg1=read | OK |
| ■ ant run.client -Darg1=create | ERROR! |
| ■ ant run.client -Darg1=update pippo | OK |
| ■ ant run.client -Darg1=read | OK |
| ■ ant run.client -Darg1=delete | OK |
| ■ ant run.client -Darg1=read | ERROR! |
| ■ ant run.client -Darg1=create | OK |

Esempio 1

Client

Perche'

Object ref = jndiContext.lookup("CabinHomeRemote");

Invece di

Object ref = jndiContext.lookup("CabinEJB");

?

jboss.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<jboss>
  <enterprise-beans>
    <entity>
      <ejb-name>CabinEJB</ejb-name>
      <jndi-name>CabinHomeRemote</jndi-name>
    </entity>
  </enterprise-beans>
</jboss>
```

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An example: part 3-using ant



The build.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<!-- JBoss build file -->
<project name="JBoss" default="ejbjar" basedir="."> 

    <property environment="env"/>
    <property name="src.dir" value="${basedir}/src/main"/>
    <property name="src.resources"
        value="${basedir}/src/resources"/>
    <property name="jboss.home" value="${env.JBOSS_HOME}"/>
    <property name="build.dir" value="${basedir}/build"/>
    <property name="build.classes.dir" value="${build.dir}/classes"/>

    <!-- Build classpath -->
    <path id="classpath">
        <fileset dir="${jboss.home}/client">
            <include name="**/*.jar"/>
        </fileset>
        <pathelement location="${build.classes.dir}"/>
        <!-- So that we can get jndi.properties for InitialContext -->
        <pathelement location="${basedir}/jndi"/>
    </path>
```

The build.xml

```
<property name="build.classpath" refid="classpath"/>
<!-- Prepares the build directory -->
<target name="prepare" >
    <mkdir dir="${build.dir}"/>
    <mkdir dir="${build.classes.dir}"/>
</target>

<!-- Compiles the source code -->
<target name="compile" depends="prepare">
    <javac srcdir="${src.dir}"
        destdir="${build.classes.dir}"
        debug="on"
        deprecation="on"
        optimize="off"
        includes="**">
        <classpath refid="classpath"/>
    </javac>
</target>
```

The build.xml

```
<target name="ejbjar" depends="compile">
  <jar jarfile="build/titan.jar">
    <fileset dir="${build.classes.dir}">
      <include name="com/titan/cabin/*.class"/>
    </fileset>
    <fileset dir="${src.resources}/">
      <include name="**/*.xml"/>
    </fileset>
  </jar>
  <copy file="build/titan.jar"
        todir="${jboss.home}/server/default/deploy"/>
</target>

<!-- Cleans up generated stuff -->
<target name="clean.db">
  <delete dir="${jboss.home}/server/default/db/hypersonic"/>
</target>
<target name="clean">
  <delete dir="${build.dir}"/>
  <delete file="${jboss.home}/server/default/deploy/titan.jar"/>
</target>
```

The build.xml

```
<target name="run.client" depends="ejbjar">
  <java classname="com.titan.clients.Client_1" fork="yes" dir=".">
    <classpath refid="classpath"/>
    <arg value="${arg1}"/>
    <arg value="${arg2}"/>
  </java>
</target>

</project>
```

NOTA: lanciare con \$ant run.client -Darg1=update -Darg2=pippo

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More details



Actors:

Component Interface:

- Same role as in RMI

Component Implementation:

Same role as in RMI

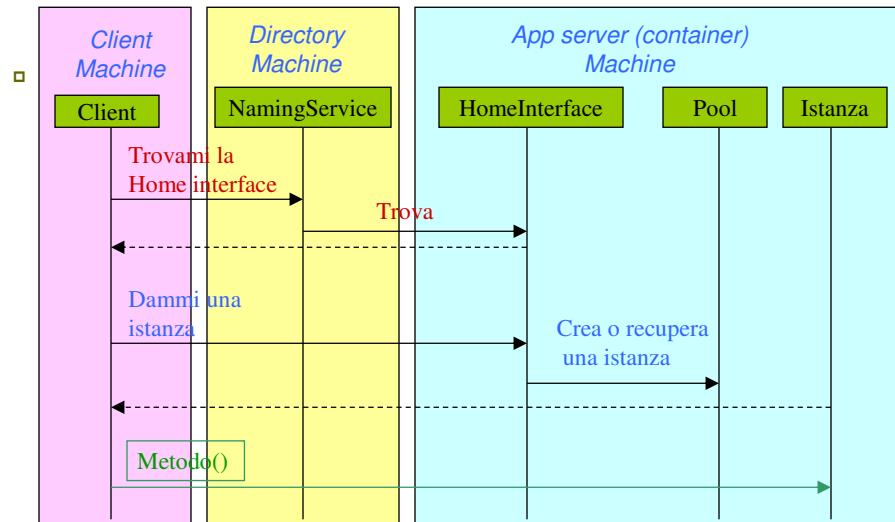
Home Interface:

Implemented by the server, plays the role of a factory class for the component

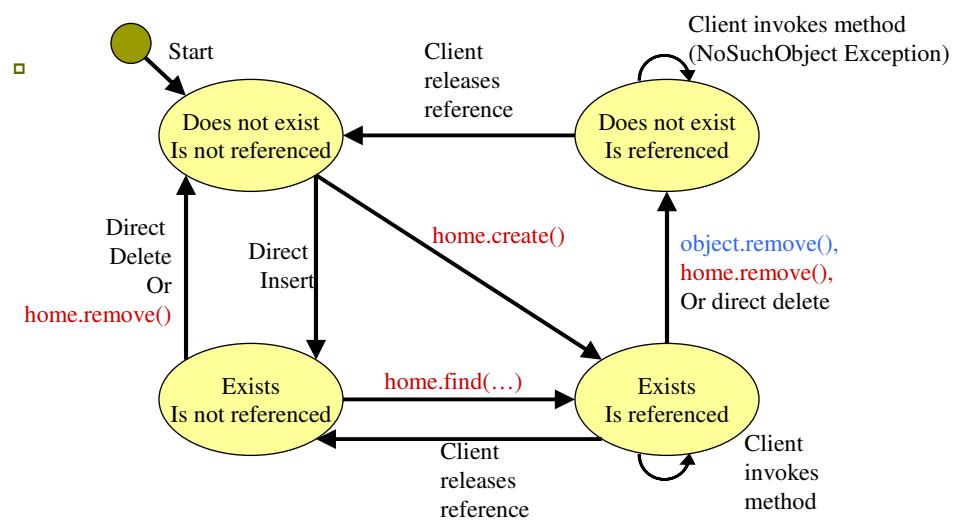
JNDI service:

Plays the same role as the register in RMI

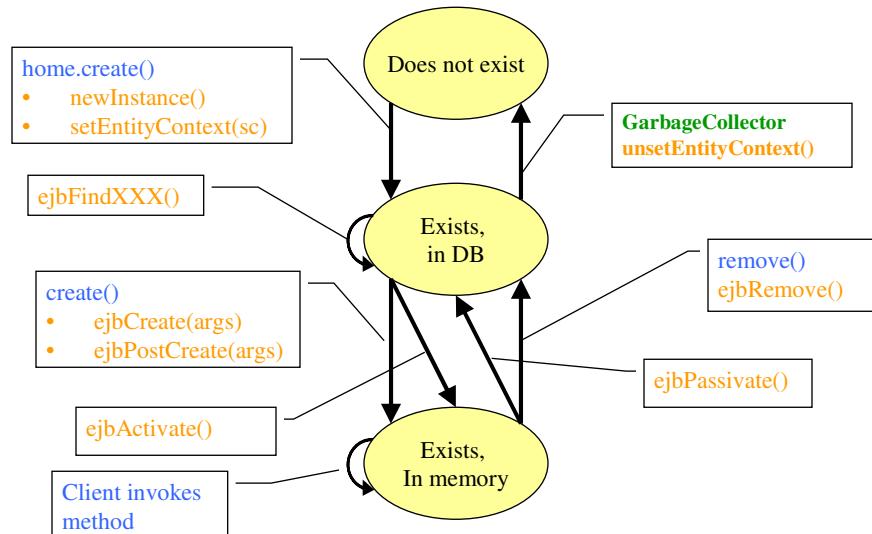
The logical architecture



Entity Beans Lifecycle: client's view



Entity Beans Lifecycle (stati, transizioni e callbacks)



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Local interfaces



Esempio 1

1. CabinLocal

```
package com.titan.cabin;  
  
import java.rmi.EJBException;  
  
public interface CabinLocal extends javax.ejb.EJBLocalObject  
{  
    public String getName() throws EJBException;  
    public void setName(String str) throws EJBException;  
    public int getDeckLevel() throws EJBException;  
    public void setDeckLevel(int level) throws EJBException;  
    public int getShipId() throws EJBException;  
    public void setShipId(int sp) throws EJBException;  
    public int getBedCount() throws EJBException;  
    public void setBedCount(int bc) throws EJBException;  
}
```

La classe deve estendere EJBLocalObject

Lancia EJBException anziche' RemoteException

Esempio 1

1. CabinHomeLocal

```
package com.titan.cabin;  
  
import java.rmi.EJBException;  
import javax.ejb.CreateException;  
import javax.ejb.FinderException;  
  
public interface CabinHomeLocal  
    extends javax.ejb.EJBLocalHome  
{  
    public CabinLocal create(Integer id)  
        throws CreateException, RemoteException;  
  
    public CabinLocal findByPrimaryKey(Integer pk)  
        throws FinderException, RemoteException;  
}
```

L'interfaccia deve estendere EJBHome

DEFINIRE il metodo create e i finder

ejb-jar.xml

```
<enterprise-beans>
<entity>
<ejb-name>CabinEJB</ejb-name>
<home>com.titan.cabin.CabinHomeRemote</home>
<remote>com.titan.cabin.CabinRemote</remote>
<local-home>com.titan.cabin.CabinHomeLocal</local-home>
<local>com.titan.cabin.CabinLocal</local>
<ejb-class>com.titan.cabin.CabinBean</ejb-class>
...
</entity>
</enterprise-beans>
```

Esempio 1

1. Client

```
Object ref = jndiContext.lookup("CabinHomeRemote");
CabinHomeRemote home = (CabinHomeRemote)
    PortableRemoteObject.narrow(ref,CabinHomeRemote.class);
...
CabinRemote cabin_1 = home.create(new Integer(1));
...
CabinRemote cabin_2 = home.findByPrimaryKey(pk);
```

```
CabinHomeLocal home = (CabinHomeLocal)
    jndiContext.lookup("java:comp/env/ejb/CabinHomeLocal");
...
CabinLocal cabin_1 = home.create(new Integer(1));
...
CabinLocal cabin_2 = home.findByPrimaryKey(pk);
```