

## Re: Hibernate alternatives

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Zsolt wrote:

> *Hi,*

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> *we plan to use hibernate but before that we want to check whether there are*

> *alternatives to it or is it defacto standard?*

Personally I just prefer to write my own using plain old OOP. It just isn't that hard.

Currently the ORM/DB/CRUD/ACID stuff represents something like 3 to 5% of my projects. It's important but only a minor part of the effort. Furthermore, when I start using Java 1.5 and generics it'll be even less code.

Current project is 40,000 lines of code so far, of which 1000 lines (3%) is db/crud/acid.

I reckon if I used something like Hibernate I'd have more than 1000 lines of XML mapping files and who knows how much extra mucking around?

Previous project, 180k lines, about 10k (5%) was db stuff. It was more complex and also did more advanced stuff like versioning, cloning, variations, etc etc.

I'm not sure if things like hibernate can even do all of those things?

Anyway, for me at least, there is no attraction to creating a dependancy on any of those 3rd party products.

Oh well, each to their own.

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