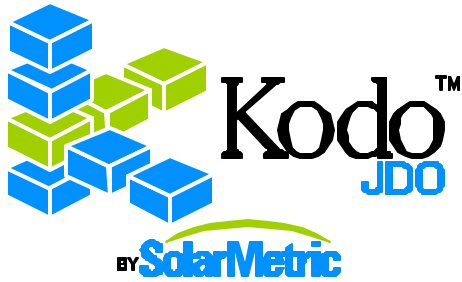


# JDOQL 2.0 Quick Reference Guide



## Query Structure

Items in square brackets are optional.  
Query clauses must be in the specified order.

```
select [unique] [ <result> ] [into <result-class-name>]
[from <candidate-class-name> [exclude subclasses] ]
[where <filter>]
[variables <variable-list> ]
[parameters <parameter-list>]
[imports <import-list>]
[group by <grouping-clause> ]
[order by <ordering-clause>]
[range <from-range> ,<to-range>]
```

## Query Examples

The following examples use this sample class.

```
public class Person
{
    private int age;
    private String firstName;
    private String lastName;
    private Address address;
    private Set<Person> children;
}
```

## Basic Example

Print last name of all with the first name "John".

```
Query q = pm.newQuery ("select from "
    + "com.example.Person "
    + "where firstName == 'John'");
List<Person> people = (List<Person>)
    q.execute();
for (Person person : people)
    print(person.getLastName());
q.closeAll(); // Close resources
```

## Parameters

Parameters can be specified in query strings by placing a colon in front of the identifier (i.e. :param). Parameters can help memory utilization and performance.

### Simple parameters:

Find all people named "John".

```
Query q = pm.newQuery("select from "
    + "com.example.Person where "
    + "firstName == :param");
List<Person> people = (List<Person>)
    q.execute ("John");
```

### Using persistent instances as parameters:

Find all people over 21 with a given address.

```
Address a = (Address) pm.getObjectById
    (Address.class, id);
Query q = pm.newQuery("select from "
    + "com.example.Person "
    + "where address == :param1 "
    + "&& age > :param2");
List<Person> people = (List<Person>)
    q.execute (a, new Integer (21));
```

## Variables

Variables allow queries on multi-value relationships or on unrelated classes.

### Querying on a related instance:

Find all parents of a Person named "John".

```
Query q = pm.newQuery("select from "
    + "com.example.Person "
    + "where children.contains(p)"
    + "&& p.firstName == :name");
List<Person> parents = (List<Person>)
    q.execute("John");
```

## Ordering Results

### Ordering on a single field:

Order query results by age, oldest first.

```
select from com.example.Person
    order by age desc
```

### Ordering on multiple fields:

Order by name, A first, then by age, oldest first.

```
select from com.example.Person
    order by firstName asc, age desc
```

## Keywords

Keywords must appear in either all upper-case or all lower-case characters.

as, asc, ascending, avg, by, count, desc, descending, distinct, exclude, from, group, having, imports, into, max, min, order, parameters, range, select, subclasses, sum, to, unique, variables, where

## Optimizations

These represent a few of the available methods to speed up JDO queries.

### Limiting and paging query results:

The query can be configured to only return a subset of the results so that unused elements will not be instantiated. The start point is included, while the element at the limit is not.

```
select from com.example.Person range 10, 20
```

### Ignore PersistenceManager cache:

Setting this parameter to true can speed up queries because changes made during the transaction do not need to be included in the results.

```
query.setIgnoreCache(true);
```

### Indicate unique result:

Specifies that only one result is expected and to return only the single instance instead of a List.

```
Query q = pm.newQuery ("select unique "
    + "from com.example.Person where "
    + "firstName == :name");
Person john = (Person) q.execute("John");
```

## Aggregates, Projections, and Grouping

Grouping allows aggregates and projections to be grouped by a given field and optionally limited using "having".

Available aggregates are min, max, sum, avg, and count.

### Simple grouping:

```
Query q = pm.newQuery("select avg(age) "
    + "from com.example.Person "
    + "group by firstName");
```

### Limiting grouping with "having" expression:

Group by firstName where the firstName starts with "J".

```
Query q = pm.newQuery("select count(this) "
    + "from com.example.Person "
    + "group by firstName "
    + "having firstName.startsWith(:string)");
q.execute("J");
```

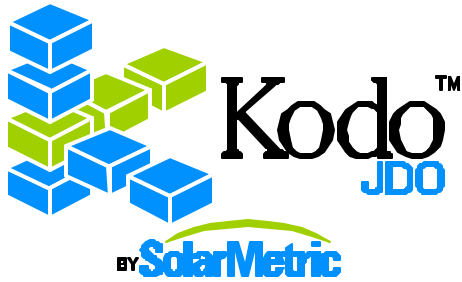
## SQL Queries

Queries can use SQL when accessing a relational database.

Find people whose first name is "John".

```
Query q = pm.newQuery(Query.SQL, "SELECT * "
    + "FROM PERSON WHERE FIRSTNAME = ?");
q.setClass (Person.class);
List<Person> people = (List<Person>)
    q.execute("John");
```

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### Kodo Extensions

#### Fully-qualified Column

Places the correct alias for the column into the query.

```
query.setFilter("address.ext:getColumn "
+ "('ZIP_PLUS_4') == '78751-1228'");
```

#### SQL Snippets

Embeds the result of an SQL query as an argument.

```
query.setFilter(
"ext:sql('ROUND(SALARY,0)') > 100000");
```

You can also build your own extension by implementing `kodo.jdbc.query.JDBCFilterListener`.

#### JDOQL Subqueries

Find the oldest people in the company.

```
Query q = pm.newQuery("select from "
+ "com.example.Person where age == "
+ "(select max(p.age) from Person p)");
```

Find those whose last name is part of a street address.

```
Query q = pm.newQuery("select from "
+ "com.example.Person where (select "
+ "a.streetAddress from Address a)."
+ "contains (lastName)");
```

#### Execute a JDOQL query via the Kodo EJB Query interface.

```
KodoEntityManager kem =
KodoPersistence.cast(em);
Query q = kem.createQuery(
kodo.query.QueryLanguages.LANG_JDOQL,
"select from com.example.Person where "
+ "address.state == :stateCode");
q.setParameter("stateCode", "MA");
List<Person> people = (List<Person>)
q.getResultList();
```

### Where Clause Methods

The following methods may be used in a where clause. For example, "where `Math.abs(balance) > 500`".

Collection methods	<code>contains(Object)</code> , <code>isEmpty()</code> , <code>size()</code>
Map methods	<code>containsKey(Object)</code> , <code>size(Object)</code> , <code>containsValue(Object)</code> , <code>isEmpty()</code> , <code>get(Object)</code>
String methods	<code>startsWith(String)</code> , <code>endsWith(String)</code> , <code>matches(String)</code> , <code>toLowerCase()</code> , <code>toUpperCase()</code> , <code>indexOf(String)</code> , <code>indexOf(String, int)</code> , <code>substring(int)</code> , <code>substring(int, int)</code>
Math methods	<code>Math.abs(numeric)</code> , <code>Math.sqrt(numeric)</code>
JDOHelper methods	<code>getObjectId(Object)</code>

### Regular Expressions

The `matches(String)` method accepts limited regular expression syntax. The following wildcards can be used.

- `.` represents a single character
- `*` represents multiple characters
- `(?i)` represents case-insensitive matching

All people with 'rick' in their name – Patrick, Rick, etc.

```
select from com.example.Person
where firstName.matches('.*rick.*(?i)')
```

### Result Classes and Aliases

You can have query results placed directly into a custom class. This example uses the custom class Name below.

```
public class Name {
public String first;
public String last;
}
Query q = pm.newQuery("select "
+ "firstName as first, lastName as last "
+ "into com.example.Name "
+ "from com.example.Person "
+ "where age > :param");
List<Name> names = (List<Name>)
q.execute(30);
for(Name name : names)
printLabel(name);
query.close(names);
```

### Where Clause Operators

<code>==</code>	equal (note: can be used with Strings)
<code>!=</code>	not equal
<code>&gt;</code>	greater than
<code>&lt;</code>	less than
<code>&gt;=</code>	greater than or equal
<code>&lt;=</code>	less than or equal
<code>&amp;&amp;</code>	conditional AND
<code>&amp;</code>	boolean logical AND
<code>  </code>	conditional OR
<code> </code>	boolean logical OR
<code>-</code>	subtract or invert sign
<code>+</code>	add or concatenate strings
<code>*</code>	multiply
<code>/</code>	divide
<code>%</code>	modulo
<code>!</code>	logical complement
<code>~</code>	bitwise complement
<code>instanceof</code>	instance of a class

### Named Queries

Named queries are defined in XML and consist of a name, query language, unmodifiable attribute, and the query itself.

```
<class name="Person">
<query name="adultsByFirstName"
unmodifiable="false">
select where age > 18 group by firstName
</query>
</class>
```

```
List<Person> adults = (List<Person>)
pm.newNamedQuery(Person.class,
"adultsByFirstName").execute();
```

### In-Memory Queries

JDOQL queries can be evaluated against an in-memory collection of persistent or transactional types.

```
Query q = pm.newQuery("select from "
+ "com.example.Person "
+ "where firstName == 'John'");
q.setCandidates(allPeople);
filteredPeople = (List<Person>) q.execute();
```

For additional detail about JDOQL see the full Kodo documentation at <http://docs.solarmetric.com>.