Student Management using Spring Boot with H2

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1. Introduction

This project is a hands-on implementation of a Student Management System using Spring Boot with an H2 in-memory database. It demonstrates full CRUD functionality through REST APIs and integrates Spring Data JPA for ORM.

2. Technologies Used

- Java 17
- Spring Boot
- Spring Data JPA
- H2 Database
- Maven
- Postman

3. application.properties Configuration

```
# H2 Database Configuration
spring.datasource.url=jdbc:h2:mem:testdb
spring.datasource.driverClassName=org.h2.Driver
spring.datasource.username=sa
spring.datasource.password=

# JPA + Hibernate Configuration
spring.jpa.database-platform=org.hibernate.dialect.H2Dialect
spring.jpa.hibernate.ddl-auto=update
spring.jpa.show-sql=true

# H2 Console Access
spring.h2.console.enabled=true
spring.h2.console.path=/h2-console
```

4. Student Entity Class

```
@Entity
@Table(name = "students")
public class Student {
    @Id
    @GeneratedValue(strategy = GenerationType.IDENTITY)
    private Long id;
```

```
@Column(nullable = false)
private String name;
private String department;
// Getters and Setters
}
```

5. Student Repository

```
public interface StudentRepository extends JpaRepository<Student, Long> {
   List<Student> findByDepartment(String department);
}
```

6. Student Service Layer

```
@Service
public class StudentService {

@Autowired
private StudentRepository repository;

public Student save(Student student) { return repository.save(student); }

public Optional<Student> get(Long id) { return repository.findById(id); }

public void delete(Long id) { repository.deleteById(id); }

public List<Student> getByDepartment(String dept) {
    return repository.findByDepartment(dept);
    }
}
```

7. Student Controller

@RestController

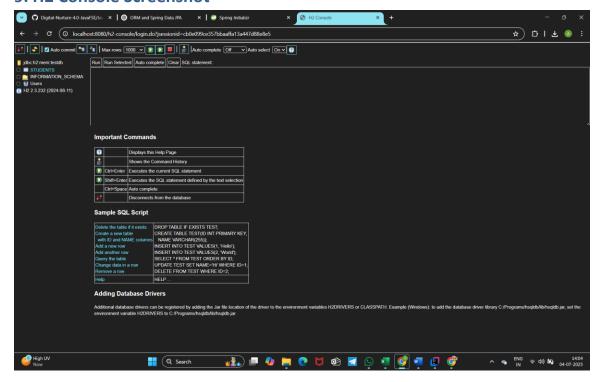
```
@RequestMapping("/students")
public class StudentController {
 @Autowired
 private StudentService service;
 @PostMapping
 public Student create(@RequestBody Student student) { return service.save(student); }
 @GetMapping("/{id}")
 public ResponseEntity<Student> get(@PathVariable Long id) {
   return
service.get(id).map(ResponseEntity::ok).orElse(ResponseEntity.notFound().build());
 }
 @DeleteMapping("/{id}")
 public void delete(@PathVariable Long id) { service.delete(id); }
 @GetMapping("/department/{dept}")
 public List<Student> byDepartment(@PathVariable String dept) {
   return service.getByDepartment(dept);
 }
}
```

8. Testing Endpoints

Use Postman or Swagger to test the following endpoints:

- POST /students
- GET /students/{id}
- GET /students/department/{dept}
- DELETE /students/{id}

9. H2 Console Screenshot



10. Key Concepts Explained

- ORM (Object Relational Mapping): Maps Java classes to database tables automatically.
- JPA (Java Persistence API): A specification that simplifies data persistence.
- Hibernate: A JPA implementation used under Spring Boot for handling database interactions.
- Spring Data JPA: Simplifies the implementation of JPA-based repositories by eliminating boilerplate code.