

How do you externalize pointcuts? What is the advantage of doing this?

Externalizing is done by using @Pointcut over a void returning method.

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1 @Pointcut("execution(* someMethod(..))")
2 public void ourFirstPointcut(){}
3
4 @Before("ourFirstPointcut()") //we call our named pointcut
5 public void doSomethingBefore(){
6     //actions to be performed before any method whose name is someMethod()
7 }
```

The advantage is that you can use the same pointcut for different advices and if changes are required you will have to do them in 1 single place.