

Spring Validation

Spring Validation is an important feature of the Spring Framework that helps ensure the correctness and integrity of data. It can be used to validate input data in web forms, data models, or request parameters. Spring provides both declarative and programmatic ways of performing validation.

Types of Validation in Spring:

1. Spring's Built-in Validation (JSR-303/JSR-380 - Bean Validation API): Spring supports Bean Validation via annotations, typically using the Hibernate Validator as the default implementation.
2. Custom Validation: You can create custom validators by implementing the `ConstraintValidator` interface and providing your own validation logic.
3. Programmatic Validation: This is done using the `Validator` interface provided by Spring.

Add the following dependency:-

***Spring Web**

***Spring Boot DevTools**

***Thymeleaf**

***Validation**

1. DemoApplication.java

```
package com.example.demo;

import org.springframework.boot.SpringApplication;
import org.springframework.boot.autoconfigure.SpringBootApplication;

@SpringBootApplication
public class DemoApplication {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        SpringApplication.run(DemoApplication.class, args);

    }

}
```

2. PersonForm.java

```
package com.example.demo;
```

```
import jakarta.validation.constraints.*;

public class PersonForm {

    @NotNull

    @Size(min = 3, max = 30, message = "Name must be between 3 and 30
characters")

    private String name;

    @NotNull(message = "Age cannot be null")

    @Min(value = 18, message = "Age must be at least 18")

    @Max(value = 100, message = "Age must be less than or equal to 100")

    private Integer age;

    @NotNull(message = "Phone cannot be null")

    @Pattern(regexp = "^\\d{10}$", message = "Phone number must be 10 digits")

    private String phone;

    @NotBlank(message = "Email cannot be empty")

    @Email(message = "Enter a valid email address")

    private String email;

    // Getters and Setters

    public String getName() {

        return name;

    }

    public void setName(String name) {

        this.name = name;

    }

    public Integer getAge() {

        return age;

    }

    public void setAge(Integer age) {

        this.age = age;

    }

}
```

```
}  
public String getPhone() {  
    return phone;  
}  
public void setPhone(String phone) {  
    this.phone = phone;  
}  
public String getEmail() {  
    return email;  
}  
  
public void setEmail(String email) {  
    this.email = email;  
}  
  
@Override  
public String toString() {  
    return "PersonForm [name=" + name + ", age=" + age + ", phone=" + phone  
+ ", email=" + email + "]  
}  
}
```

3. PersonFormController.java

```
package com.example.demo;  
import com.example.demo.PersonForm;  
import jakarta.validation.Valid;  
import org.springframework.stereotype.Controller;  
import org.springframework.ui.Model;  
import org.springframework.validation.BindingResult;  
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.GetMapping;
```

```
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.PostMapping;
@Controller
public class PersonFormController {
    @GetMapping("/personForm")
    public String showForm(Model model) {
        model.addAttribute("personForm", new PersonForm());
        return "personForm"; // View name (personForm.html)
    }
    @PostMapping("/personForm")
    public String submitForm(@Valid PersonForm personForm, BindingResult
result, Model model) {
        if (result.hasErrors()) {
            return "personForm"; // Return the form view with validation errors
        }
        model.addAttribute("person", personForm);
        return "formSuccess"; // View for success (formSuccess.html)
    }
}
```

4.formSuccess.html

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html xmlns:th="http://www.thymeleaf.org">
<head>
    <title>Form Success</title>
</head>
<body>
    <h1>Form Submission Successful</h1>
    <p th:text="'Name: ' + ${person.name}"></p>
    <p th:text="'Age: ' + ${person.age}"></p>
```

```
<p th:text="'Phone: ' + ${person.phone}"></p>
<p th:text="'Email: ' + ${person.email}"></p>
</body>
</html>
```

5.personForm

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html xmlns:th="http://www.thymeleaf.org">
<head>
  <title>Person Form</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>Person Form</h1>
  <form action="#" th:action="@{/personForm}" th:object="${personForm}"
method="post">
    <div>
      <label for="name">Name:</label>
      <input type="text" th:field="*{name}" />
      <p th:if="${#fields.hasErrors('name')}" th:errors="*{name}">Name
Error</p>
    </div>
    <div>
      <label for="age">Age:</label>
      <input type="number" th:field="*{age}" />
      <p th:if="${#fields.hasErrors('age')}" th:errors="*{age}">Age Error</p>
    </div>
    <div>
      <label for="phone">Phone:</label>
```

```

        <input type="text" th:field="*{phone}" />

        <p th:if="${#fields.hasErrors('phone')}}" th:errors="*{phone}">Phone
Error</p>

    </div>

    <div>

        <label for="email">Email:</label>

        <input type="email" th:field="*{email}" />

        <p th:if="${#fields.hasErrors('email')}}" th:errors="*{email}">Email
Error</p>

    </div>

    <div>

        <button type="submit">Submit</button>

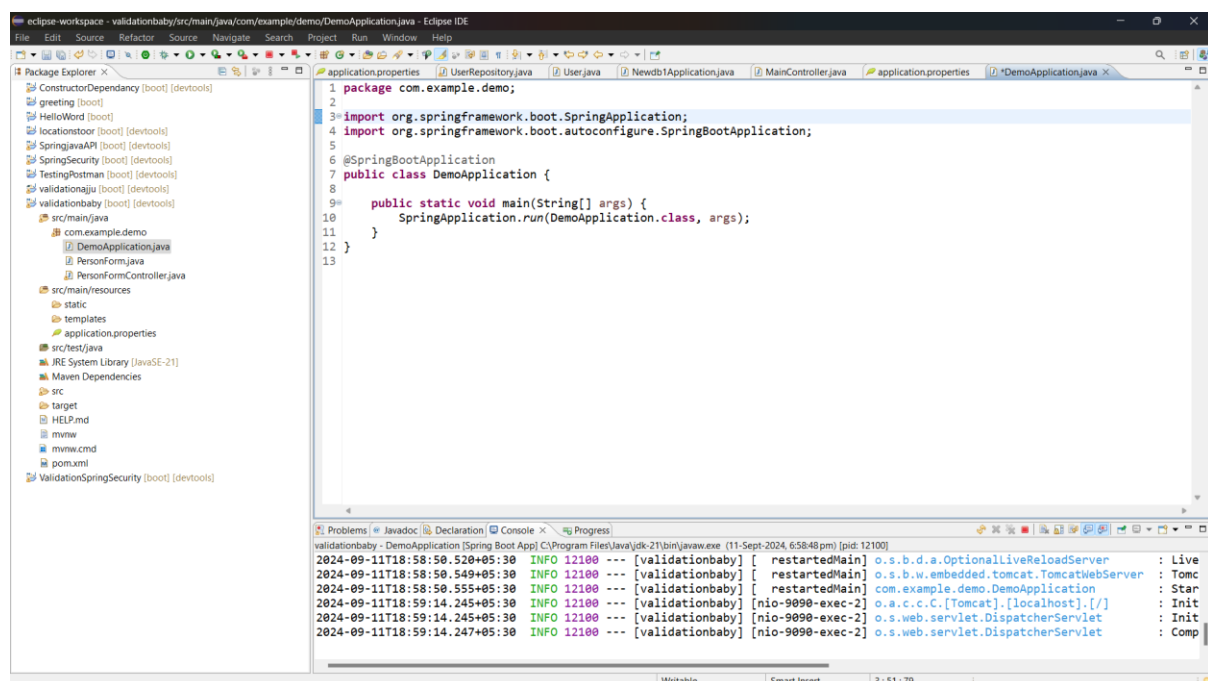
    </div>

</form>

</body>

</html>

```



The screenshot displays the Eclipse IDE environment for a Spring Boot application. The top editor window shows the `PersonForm.java` file, which includes validation annotations and getters/setters for a `PersonForm` class. The bottom editor window shows the `PersonFormController.java` file, which handles the form submission logic. The left sidebar shows the Project Explorer with the project structure. The bottom status bar shows the console output of the application running.

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```

Console Output:

```

2024-09-11T18:58:50.520+05:30 INFO 12100 --- [validationbaby] [ restartedMain] o.s.b.d.a.OptionalLiveReloadServer : Live
2024-09-11T18:58:50.549+05:30 INFO 12100 --- [validationbaby] [ restartedMain] o.s.b.w.embedded.tomcat.TomcatWebServer : Tomc
2024-09-11T18:58:50.555+05:30 INFO 12100 --- [validationbaby] [ restartedMain] com.example.demo.DemoApplication : Star
2024-09-11T18:59:14.245+05:30 INFO 12100 --- [validationbaby] [nio-9090-exec-2] o.a.c.c.C.[Tomcat].[localhost].[/] : Init
2024-09-11T18:59:14.245+05:30 INFO 12100 --- [validationbaby] [nio-9090-exec-2] o.s.web.servlet.DispatcherServlet : Init
2024-09-11T18:59:14.247+05:30 INFO 12100 --- [validationbaby] [nio-9090-exec-2] o.s.web.servlet.DispatcherServlet : Comp

```

OUTPUT:



Person Form

Name:

Age:

Phone:

Email:



Person Form

Name:

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Age cannot be null

Phone:

Phone number must be 10 digits

Email:

Email cannot be empty