API Workshop

Build REST APIs with Spring Boot

Software Architecture

WHAT IS SPRING?

"Make the right thing easy to do"

Rod Johnson

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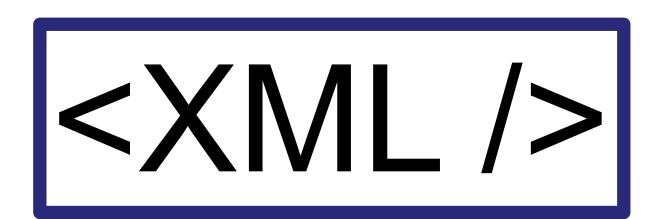
- Originally a very simple dependency injection framework for Java
- Abstractions for common patterns
- Now consists of many projects and components for building applications
- Data Access transaction support, JDBC, ORM
- Integration with external concerns e.g. messaging and caching
- Spring MVC and the newer WebFlux
- Multiple language support for the JVM

BUILDING SERVICES USING JAVA

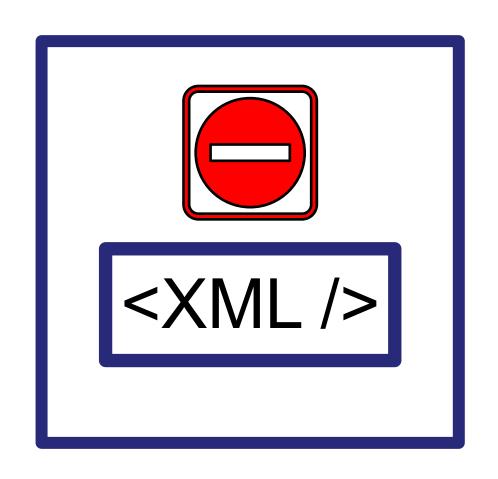
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WHAT IS SPRING BOOT?

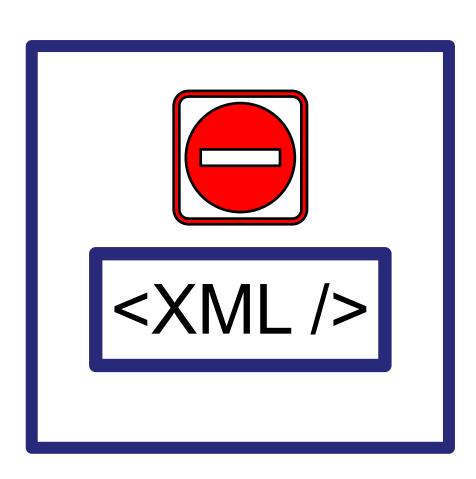






AUTO CONFIGURATION

- Including a library dependency will usually also include auto configuration
 - This is facilitated by Spring Boot Starters
- Driven by the @EnableAutoConfiguration annotation
- The configuration of a @Bean can be overridden



STANDALONE

- Previously with Java applications we had to
 - Package the application up into a WAR file or similar
 - Download the package onto a webserver
 - Configure that webserver to run the application
 - Deploy and start the webserver
- Spring Boot is simply package and run

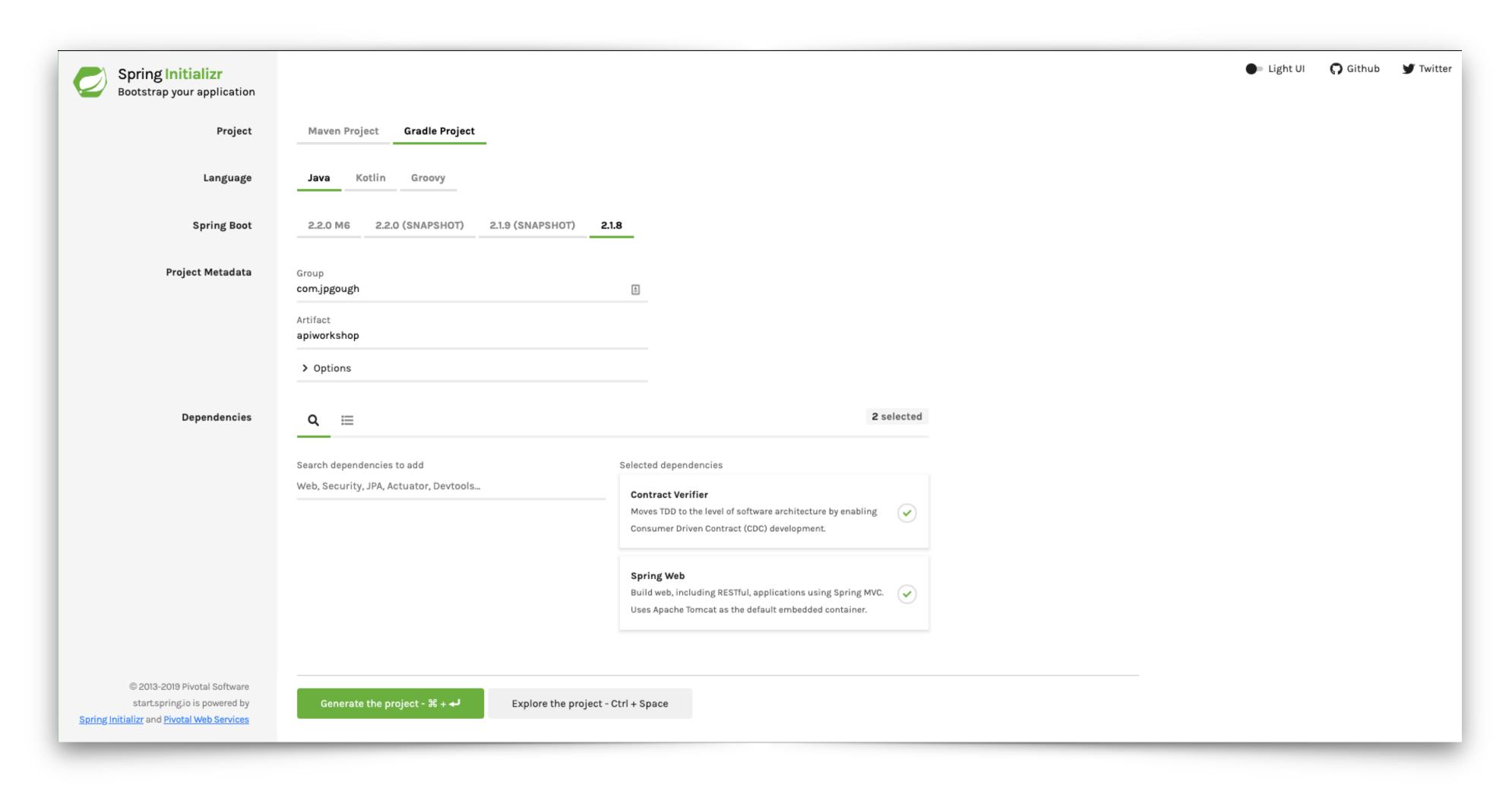
Stand Alone

OPINIONATED

- Closely tied to AutoConfiguration
- Spring will make opinions about how to configure your application
- Convention over configuration
- Using Spring's opinion means you can be up and running in minutes
- WARNING: hidden complexity!



http://start.spring.io



WEB SERVICES, APIS & REST

- SpringBoot makes it relatively easy to build and deploy HTTP based web services
- Web services (or micro services) can be designed to expose business data or capabilities via APIs
- REST can be used over HTTP to provide structure to those APIs

WHAT IS REST?

- Representational State Transfer
- An architectural style, or design pattern, for APIs.
- Resources
- Operations
 - Create, Read, Update, Delete

REST OVER HTTP

- HTTP as the transport layer
- URLs identify resources
 - http://www.api-workshop.com/todos
 - http://www.api-workshop.com/todos/1

REST OVER HTTP

- HTTP verbs for operations
 - POST, GET, PUT, DELETE
- HTTP status codes represent the result of a request
 - HTTP 2xx Success
 - HTTP 3xx Redirection
 - HTTP 4xx Client errors
 - HTTP 5xx Server errors

EXAMPLE: GET ALL TODOS

Request: GET http://www.api-workshop.com/todos

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HTTP Headers:
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- Accept: application/json

Response: 200 OK

EXAMPLE: GET WITH QUERY PARAMETERS

Request: GET http://www.api-workshop.com/todos?done=true

HTTP Headers:

- Accept: application/json

Response: 200 OK

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"todos": [
        "id": 2,
        "description": "Learn about SpringBoot",
        "done": true
     }
]
```

EXAMPLE: CREATE A TODO

Request: POST http://www.api-workshop.com/todos

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HTTP Headers:
- Content-Type: application/json

{
   "description": "Learn about REST APIS"
}
```

Response: 201 CREATED

```
"id": 3,
  "description": "Learn about REST APIS",
  "done": false
}
```