

# Searching for a Specific User and Updating the User Information..

## Write –Up

### 1. Review the project structure and dependencies:

- The project follows the Maven directory structure convention.
- It uses Spring Boot, Spring Data JPA, and Spring MVC dependencies.
- MySQL is used as the database, and the necessary configurations are provided in the `application.properties` file.
- Additional dependencies include Lombok for reducing boilerplate code and JSTL for JSP rendering.

### 2. Set up the database:

- Create a MySQL database named "users."
- Run the provided MySQL queries to create the "user" table and insert sample user data.

### 3. Review the main components:

- `User` class: Represents the User entity with fields such as `id`, `name`, `email`, and `password`.
- `UserRepository` interface: Extends the Spring Data `CrudRepository` interface to perform CRUD operations on the `User` entity.
- `UserService` class: Contains methods for retrieving, updating, and saving user data. It utilizes the `UserRepository` for database operations.
- `UserController` class: Handles user-related HTTP requests, such as displaying all users, searching for a user by ID, and updating user information. It uses the `UserService` for data manipulation.

### 4. Understand the views:

- Several JSP files are used for rendering HTML views:
  - `index.jsp`: The main page where users can enter an ID and search for a specific user.
  - `users.jsp`: Displays a table of all users retrieved from the database.
  - `search.jsp`: Displays details of a searched user and allows updating their information.
  - `update.jsp`: Confirms a successful update and displays the updated user's details.

- ``error.jsp``: Handles error scenarios and provides a basic error message.

#### 5. Review additional classes:

- ``UserController``: Handles the exception thrown when a user is not found and returns an appropriate HTTP response.
- ``AppErrorController``: Handles generic error paths and can be customized for logging and error handling.

#### 6. Build and run the application:

- Make sure you have Java 8 and Maven installed.
- Navigate to the project's root directory.
- Run ``mvn clean install`` to build the project and resolve dependencies.
- Run ``mvn spring-boot:run`` to start the application.
- Access the application in a web browser at ``http://localhost:8080``.

#### 7. Test the application:

- Open the application in a web browser.
- Enter an ID in the search form on the homepage and submit the form.
- On the user details page, modify the user's information and click the update button.
- Verify that the user information is updated and displayed on the update page.
- Explore other functionalities, such as viewing all users and handling error scenarios.