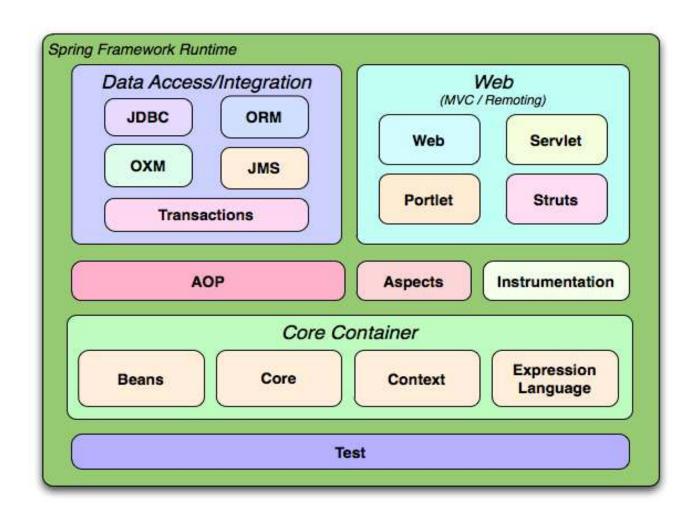
SPRING FRAMEWORK ASSESSMENT

1. Explain the architecture of Spring Framework

The Spring Framework (Spring) is an open source software development framework that provides infrastructure support for building primarily Java-based applications. One of the most popular Java Enterprise Edition (Java EE) frameworks, Spring helps developers create high-performing applications using plain old Java objects (POJOs). Other popular Java frameworks include Java Server Faces (JSF), Maven, Hibernate and Struts.

Spring is considered to be a secure, low-cost and flexible framework that improves coding efficiency and reduces overall application development time through efficient use of system resources.



ARCHITECTURE OF SPRING FRAMEWORK

The Spring Framework Architecture contains 4 main modules namely: –

- Core Container
- The Web Container
- Data Access/Integration
- Miscellaneous

1. CORE CONTAINER

The Core Container is heart of Spring. It contains some base framework classes and tools. The entire Spring Framework is based on top of the Core Container.

• Core

The Core module contains basic Spring Framework classes including Dependency Injection (DI) and Inversion of Control (IOC). The Spring Core is available at Spring Core Repo. No matter which type of Spring Application you are building, you will always have direct or indirect dependency over Spring Core.

• Bean

Spring Bean module manages the lifecycle of beans. In the Spring Framework a Bean is any Java Class which is registered with Spring and Spring manages these bean classes. The Spring Bean module has a Bean Factory which creates bean instances, resolves bean to bean dependencies, and auto-wires the beans based on the name, or type. Spring Bean module can be found on the Spring Beans Repo.

Context

We learnt that Spring Bean are responsible for managing the Spring Beans. These Spring Beans are defined in the context called a Context. In Spring every object is a Bean, let it be a config entry or a user defined class (For example Employee). All such beans, their constructors or factory methods and dependencies are defined in the Context. The beans are accessed via Context. Most of the time the Spring Context is started when a Spring Application starts and hence called as Application Context. Link to Spring Context Repo.

• SpEL

The SpEL stands for Spring Expression Language, it a power full expression language. It is used to resolve expressions to values at runtime. SpEL can query objects graphs on runtime

and can be used in XML or annotation based Bean Definition and Bean Configuration. The word runtime is really important here, as the expressions can be evaluated based on runtime configuration or values of other expressions. Can be found at Spring Expression Language Repo.

2. THE WEB CONTAINER

The Spring Web components are used to build web applications. Using the Spring Web module we can build complete MVC applications, interceptors, Web Services, Portlets.

• Web & Servlet

Spring Web and Servlets provides many features for building web integrations. We saw what is an Application Context in one of the sections above. Spring Web provides a Web Application Context which is similar to the context. Spring Web provides an abstraction for servlets and also Inversion of Control (IOC). Can be found at Spring Web Repo. There is one more component of Spring Web and that is Spring MVC. Spring MVC provides a mechanism for building Model View Controller based web applications. Spring MVC has a concept of View and Actions. Views represents the User Interface or a consumer and Action is the component that serves web request. Can be found at Spring Web MVC Repo.

• Web Sockets

Spring Web Sockets provides support for building Web Sockets. Web Sockets are a sort of tunnel between a service and a consumer in web applications. In the HTTP connections the client has to poll on the server for any updates. With Web Sockets there is a bidirectional communication socket between both of them so that even servers can push messages to clients directly. Can be found at Spring Web Sockets Repo.

• Web Portlets

Spring Web Portlets supports building web poerlets. Portlets are pluggable user interface software components that are managed and displayed in a web portal. In other words it is a mechanism to show User Interfaces of multiple applications (portlets) on a single User Interface.

3. DATA ACCESS/INTEGRATION

The Spring Data Access is a set of modules, for accessing data in various formats including Database, Messaging, and XML

• JDBC

The Spring JDBC provides abstraction over Java JDBC API. When we need to access data from databases we usually need to deal with Statements, Queries, ResultSets and especially exceptions. Spring JDBC abstraction, removes all this complexity and provides JdbcTemplate to easily access data. It also provide ways of iterating and mapping the result sets. Can be found at Spring JDBC ORM Spring ORM provides support for integrating with various ORM implementations. ORM stands for Object Relational Mapping frameworks where data is mapped to a Java Object field by field. With ORM frameworks a plain Java object can be populated with data and passed to the ORM API to store and similarly retrieve the data in form of plain Java objects. Spring provides support for popular ORM frameworks like Hibernate, JDO, and also JPA. Can be found at Spring Object/Relational Mapping Repo.

• JMS

The JMS stands for Java Messaging Service, which defines specification for Publisher and Subscriber communication in the form of messages. Spring JMS provides an abstraction over various JMS implementations like ActiveMQ and RabbitMQ. Can be found at Spring JMS Repo.

• OXM

Spring OXM provides abstraction over Java OXM implementations. The Java OXM (Object XML Marshalling) specification defines way of transferring and accessing data in the form of XML. There are various implementations of OXM like JAXB and XStream. Can be found at Spring Object/XML Marshalling Repo.

• Transactions

Spring Transactions Management API provides uniform way of managing transactions of data objets as well as databases. The Transaction API is support both programmatic as well as declarative transaction management. Can be found at Spring Transaction Repo.

4. MISCELLANEOUS

AOP

Spring AOP is an implementation of Aspect Oriented Programming. An Aspect is any secondary task which an object needs to perform. Each object is Java has a dedicated responsibility apart from this it may have to do some secondary things like logging, or

exception handling. Aspect Oriented Programming provides a mechanism for taking such secondary responsibilities out of the objects and giving them to proxy objects which doubles the original objects. Can be found at Spring AOP Repo.

Aspects

We have learnt what is Aspect Oriented Programming. Spring Aspects provides a uniform way of integrating with other Aspect Oriented Programming implementations like AspecJ. Can be found at Spring Aspects Repo.

• Instrumentation

The Spring Instrumentation module provides support for class instrumentation. The instrumentation is used for monitoring performance of an application. It monitors various object to diagnose application problems and log them. Can be found at Spring Instrument Repo.

Messaging

The Spring Messaging provides support for integrating with messaging systems. The module provides simplified and uniform way of interacting with various messaging services. Can be found at Spring Messaging Repo.

CONCLUSION

Spring is a huge framework having multiple module. The Core Container is back bone of everything in Spring and all other modules are dependent of Core.

2.Create a Simple spring boot application to print hello world message to user in browser when the spring Boot app is up .on your server.

HelloworldApplication.java

```
package com.example.HelloWorld;
import org.springframework.boot.SpringApplication;
import
org.springframework.boot.autoconfigure.SpringBootApplication;
@SpringBootApplication
public class HelloWorldApplication {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
```

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SpringApplication.run(HelloWorldApplication.class, args);
      }
HelloController.java
package com.example.HelloWorld;
import org.springframework.stereotype.Controller;
import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.GetMapping;
@Controller
public class HelloController {
     @GetMapping("/")
     public String hello() {
         return "hello";
}
Hello.html
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
     <head>
         <meta charset=""UTF-8">
         <title>Hello, World!</title>
     </head>
     <body>
         <h1>Hello, World!</h1>
     </body>
</html>
```

Output:

