

How do I make Swagger-UI use a YAML/JSON rather than having to put annotations on my REST controller?

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I am used to adding annotations on my REST controllers for Swagger-UI to use. However, I would prefer to point Swagger-UI at a YAML file which describes my REST controller. An example of what I want to do is shown below. (Springfox/Swagger2)

DemoApplication.java

```
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);
    }
}
```

SwaggerConfig.java

Note that I am trying to tell Swagger to build a Docket based on a YAML file rather than a REST controller.

```
import com.google.common.base.Predicate;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Bean;
import org.springframework.context.annotation.Configuration;

import springfox.documentation.spi.DocumentationType;
import springfox.documentation.spring.web.plugins.Docket;
import springfox.documentation.swagger2.annotations.EnableSwagger2;

import static springfox.documentation.builders.PathSelectors.regex;

@Configuration
@EnableSwagger2
public class SwaggerConfig {

    @Bean
    public Docket productApi() {
        return new
            Docket(DocumentationType.SWAGGER_2).useDefaultResponseMessages(false)
                .select()
                .paths(paths())
                .build();
    }

    private Predicate<String> paths() {
        return regex("/swagger.yaml");
    }
}
```

swagger.yml

This is a sample YAML file describing what my REST controller looks like, and this is what I want Swagger-UI to use.

```
swagger: "2.0"

paths:
  /animals:
    post:
      summary: Creates an animal.
      responses:
        '201':
          description: Created.
```

build.gradle

```
plugins {
    id 'org.springframework.boot' version '2.1.3.RELEASE'
    id 'java'
}

apply plugin: 'io.spring.dependency-management'

group = 'com.example'
version = '0.0.1-SNAPSHOT'
sourceCompatibility = '1.8'

repositories {
    mavenCentral()
}

dependencies {
    implementation 'org.springframework.boot:spring-boot-starter'
    testImplementation 'org.springframework.boot:spring-boot-starter-test'

    implementation group: 'io.springfox', name: 'springfox-swagger2', version: '2.8.0'
    implementation group: 'io.springfox', name: 'springfox-swagger-ui', version: '2.8.0'
}
```

If this is not possible with a YAML file but it is possible using some other format (like JSON), feel free to answer with that solution instead.

java yaml swagger swagger-ui springfox

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You need to inject your YAML definition via `SwaggerResourceProvider`.

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If you need to preserve annotation-based swagger:



```
@Configuration
@EnableSwagger2
public class SwaggerConfig {

    @Bean
    public Docket api() {
        return new Docket(DocumentationType.SWAGGER_2)
            .select()
            .apis(RequestHandlerSelectors.any())
            .paths(PathSelectors.any())
            .build();
    }

    @Primary
    @Bean
    public SwaggerResourcesProvider
swaggerResourcesProvider(InMemorySwaggerResourcesProvider
defaultResourcesProvider) {
        return () -> {
            SwaggerResource wsResource = new SwaggerResource();
            wsResource.setName("Documentation");
            wsResource.setSwaggerVersion("2.0");
            wsResource.setLocation("/swagger.yaml");

            List<SwaggerResource> resources = new ArrayList<>
(defaultResourcesProvider.get());
            resources.add(wsResource);
            return resources;
        };
    }
}
```

if you want to use just swagger based on YAML:

```
@Configuration
@EnableSwagger2
public class SwaggerConfig {

    @Primary
    @Bean
    public SwaggerResourcesProvider swaggerResourcesProvider() {
        return () -> {
            SwaggerResource wsResource = new SwaggerResource();
            wsResource.setName("Documentation");
            wsResource.setSwaggerVersion("2.0");
            wsResource.setLocation("/swagger.yaml");

            List<SwaggerResource> resources = List.of(wsResource);
            return resources;
        };
    }
}
```

you need to put your YAML file to `src/main/resource/static`

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answered Feb 3, 2020 at 17:58



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@user545871 it works setting the version to 3.0, it recognize that automatically (open api 3) – [Tama](#) Mar 2, 2021 at 21:39

It doesn't work with securitySchemes and securityContexts – [Jurass](#) Dec 6, 2021 at 13:25
