Spring @Profile

Spring Profiles are configured by:

- Specifying which beans are part of which profile
- Specifying which profiles are active

You can specify beans being part of profile in following ways:

- Use @Profile annotation at @Component class level bean will be part of profile/profiles specified in annotation
- Use @Profile annotation at @Configuration class level all beans from this configuration will be part of profile/profiles specified in annotation
- Use @Profile annotation at @Bean method of @Configuration class instance of bean returned by this method will be part of profile/profiles specified in annotation
- Use @Profile annotation to define custom annotation @Component / @Configuration / @Bean method annotated with custom annotation will be part of profile/profiles specified in annotation

If Bean does not have profile specified in any way, it will be created in every profile. You can use '!' to specify in which profile bean should not be created.

You can activate profiles in following way:

- Programmatically with usage of ConfigurableEnvironment
- By using spring.profiles.active property
- On JUnit Test level by using @ActiveProfiles annotation
- ▶ In Spring Boot Programmatically by usage of SpringApplicationBuilder
- ▶ In Spring Boot by application.properties or on yml level

Spring Profiles are useful in following cases:

- Changing Behavior of the system in Different Environments by changing set of Beans that are part of specific environments, for example prod, cert, dev
- Changing Behavior of the system for different customers
- ► Changing set of Beans used in Development Environment and also during Testing Execution
- Changing set of Beans in the system when monitoring or additional debugging capabilities should be turned on