

## Q18 - Filter Dispatching [2]

Consider the following `<filter-mapping>` element in the Deployment Descriptor:

```
<filter-mapping>
  <filter-name>NullHaus Filter</filter-name>
  <url-pattern>*/*</url-pattern>
</filter-mapping>
```

- a. This filter-mapping is valid and the "NullHaus Filter" will be accessed each time a request is made to the web application,
- b. This filter-mapping is valid and the "NullHaus Filter" will be accessed only if the request is made to the web application root context (/)
- c. This filter-mapping is valid and the "NullHaus Filter" will be accessed each time a request is dispatched from a `RequestDispatcher` obtained either by name or path
- d. This filter-mapping is invalid

Hide answer

**a**

**Explanation:** The wildcard matches **all** requests made to the web application. The filter mapping configuration lacks the `<dispatcher>...`  
`</dispatcher>` element, so `RequestDispatcher` operations **will not pass the filter**.