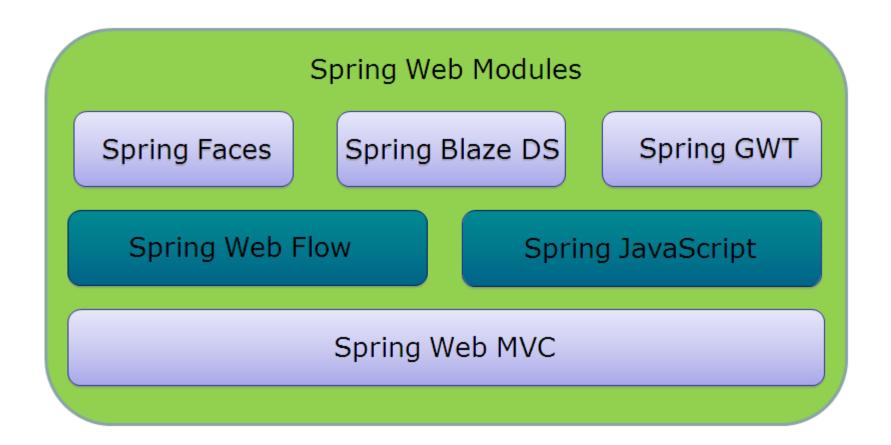
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Spring Web Flow 2.3

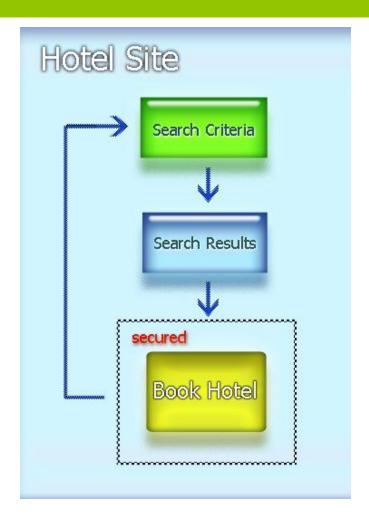
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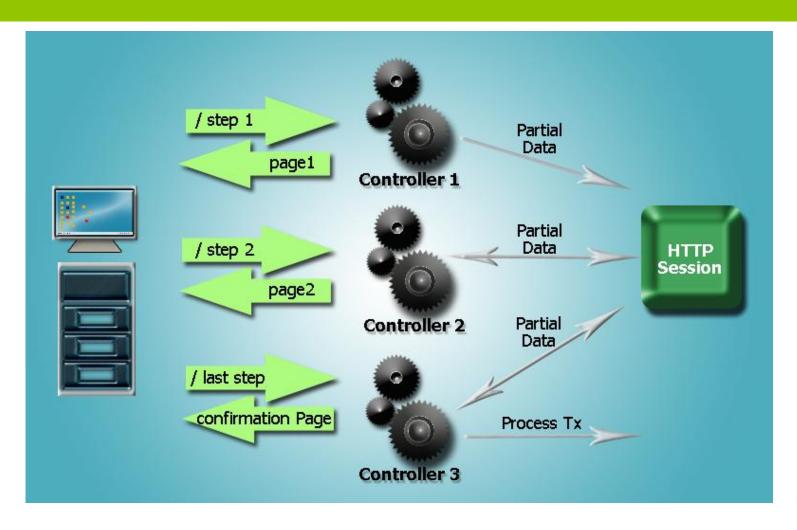
Introduction

- □ MVC extension
- focused on the definition and execution of page flow
- Integration
 - Spring MVC
 - > JSF
 - > Portlet

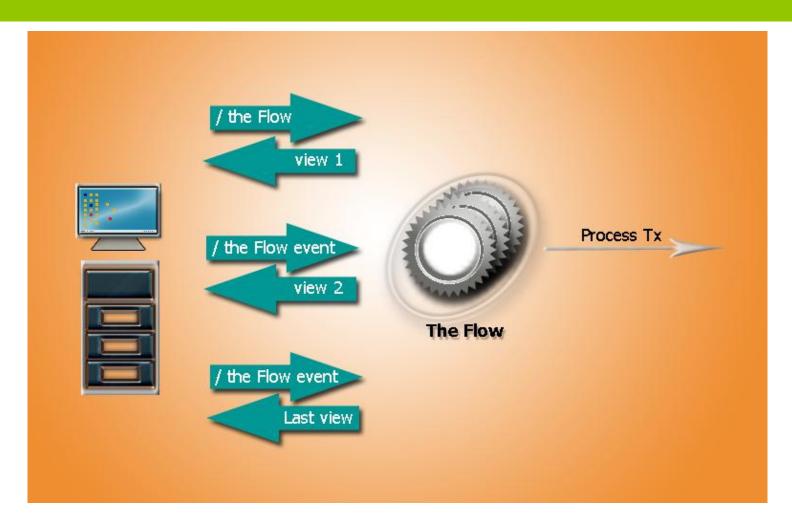
What is flow?



Typical web application



Process driven application



Configuration

Web Flow schema

Flow builder

□ basic

```
<webflow:flow-builder-services
id="flowBuilderServices"
view-factory-creator="mvcViewFactoryCreator"
development="true"
validator="validator"
conversion-service="customConversionService"
expression-parser="ognl"/>
```

Flow registry

□ basic <webflow:flow-registry id="flowRegistry"</pre> flow-builder-services="builderServices" base-path="/WEB-INF" parent="parent"> <!-flow locations--> </webflow:flow-registry> specify path <webflow:flow-location id=""</pre> path="/hotels/booking/booking-flow.xml"/> location pattern <webflow:flow-location-pattern value="/**/*-flow.xml" />

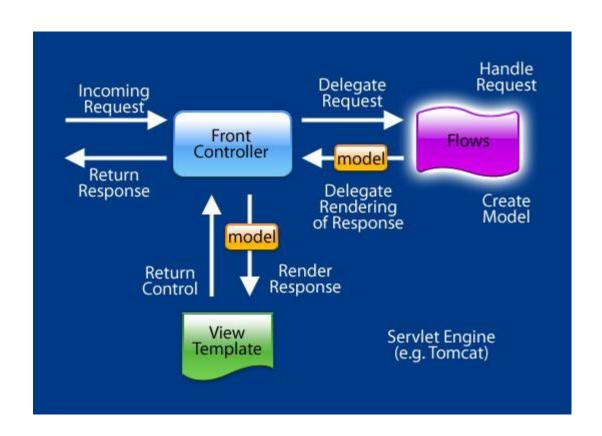
Spring Framework - Web Flow

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Flow executor

□ basic <webflow:flow-executor id="flowExecutor" flow-registry="ref"> <!-listeners, repositories--> </webflow:flow-executor> □ listener <webflow:flow-execution-listeners> <webflow:listener ref="listener" criteria="*"/> </webflow:flow-execution-listeners> □ repository <webflow:flow-execution-repository max-executions="5"</pre> max-execution-snapshots="10"/>

Workflow image



Dispatcher servlet

```
<servlet>
 <servlet-name>Spring MVC Dispatcher Servlet</servlet-name>
 <servlet-class>org.springframework.web.servlet.DispatcherServlet</servlet-class>
 <init-param>
   <param-name>contextConfigLocation</param-name>
   <param-value></param-value>
 </init-param>
</servlet>
<servlet-mapping>
 <servlet-name>Spring MVC Dispatcher Servlet</servlet-name>
 <url-pattern>/</url-pattern>
</servlet-mapping>
```

Dispatching

□ FlowHandlerMapping

□ FlowHandlerAdapter

Flow

Flow schema

Essential elements

- □ state
- □ transition
- □ flow data
- □ expression language

Input attribute

simple
<input name="hotelId" required="true" />

assign input value
<input name="hotelId" value="flowScope.bean.itemId" />

Output value

□ flow attribute

</end-state>

Data scope

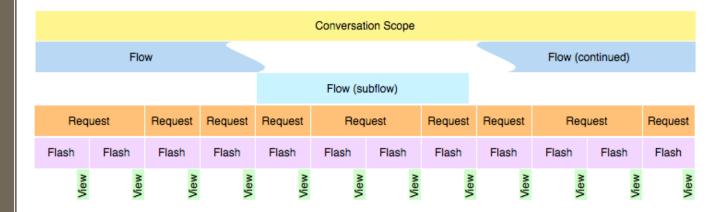
Conversation

Flow

Request

Flash

View



States

- □ view
- □ action
- □ decision
- □ subflow
- \Box end

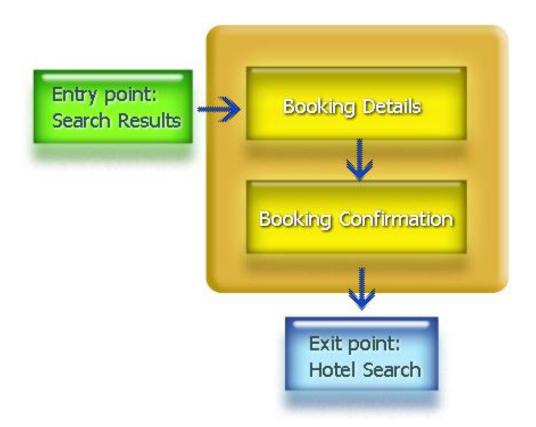
Expression language

- □ expression types
 - > standard
 - > template
- □ implementation
 - > Spring EL
 - Unified EL
 - > OGNL

Special variables

- □ flowScope, viewScope, etc.
- □ requestParameters
- □ currentEvent
- □ currentUser
- messageContext, resourceBoundle
- flowRequestContext, flowExecutionContext
- □ flowExecutionUrl
- □ externalContext

Typical flow



Rendering views

Simple view

□ view state

- □ view detection
 - by state id
 - > by relative view id
 - > by absolute view id

View resolution

Firing events

Advanced view

```
<view-state id="enterBookingDetails"</pre>
             view=""
             model="booking"
             parent=""
             popup="true/false"
             redirect="true/false" >
  <var name="" class=""/>
  <br/>
<br/>
der>
    <binding property="checkinDate" />
  </binder>
</view-state>
```

Model binding

```
<on-start>
  <evaluate expression="bookingService.createBooking(hotelId)"</pre>
            result="flowScope.booking" />
</on-start>
<view-state id="enterBookingDetails" model="booking">
  <binder>
    <binding property="checkinDate" />
    <binding property="checkoutDate" />
    <binding property="creditCard" />
  </binder>
  <transition on="proceed" to="reviewBooking" />
  <transition on="cancel" to="cancel" bind="false" />
</view-state>
```

Validation

□ JSR-303 <webflow:flow-builder-services id="" validator="validator" /> <bean id="validator" class="...LocalValidatorFactoryBean"/> model validate method public class Booking implements Serializable { public void validateEnterBookingDetails(ValidationContext c) {} □ separate validator public class BookingValidator { public void validate(Booking b, ValidationContext c) {} public void validateEnterBookingDetails(...) {}

Execution actions

Actions

□ set variable

```
<set name="flowScope.key" value="value"/>
```

evaluate business method

```
<evaluate expression="service.find()" result="viewScope.key"/>
```

□ render view fragment

```
<render fragments="body" />
```

Events

- □ flow
 - > on-start
 - > on-end
- □ state
 - on-entry
 - > on-render (only for view)
 - on-exit
- □ transition

Example

```
\langle flow \rangle
  <on-start>
    <evaluate
        expression="bookingService.createBooking(hotelId)"
        result="flowScope.booking" />
  </on-start>
  <view-state id="enterBookingDetails" model="booking">
    <on-render>
      <render fragments="body" />
    </on-render>
    <transition on="proceed" to="reviewBooking" />
    <transition on="cancel" to="cancel" bind="false" />
  </view-state>
</flow>
```

Business actions

POJO
<evaluate expression="service.businessMethod()" />

ction
public class CustomAction implements Action {
 public Event execute(RequestContext context) {}
}
<evaluate expression="customAction" />
public action

Action state

□ simple

```
<action-state id="addBooking">
    <evaluate expression="bookingService.addBooking()" />
    <transition to="cancel"/>
</action-state>
```

□ transitioning on evaluation

```
<action-state id="cancelBooking">
   <evaluate expression="bookingService.cancelBooking()" />
   <transition on="cancelled" to="endState"/>
   <transition on="bookingNotFound" to="booking"/>
   <transition on-exception="org.swf.AccessDenied" to="booking"/>
</action-state>
```

Event mapping

Return type	Event identifier
java.lang.String	the String value
java.lang.Boolean	yes / no
java.lang.Enum	the enum name
any other type	success

Named actions

```
<action-state id="callTwoMethods">
    <evaluate expression="service.methodOne()">
        <attribute name="name" value="methodOne" />
        </evaluate>
        <evaluate expression="service.methodTwo()">
              <attribute name="name" value="methodTwo" />
              </evaluate>
        <transition on="methodTwo.success" to="showResults" />
        </action-state>
```

Decision

```
<decision-state id="hasItems">
    <if test="service.hasItems()"
        then="checkItemsState"
        else="end" />
        </decision-state>
```

Subflow

Transition

Advanced

Global transition

```
<global-transitions>
  <transition on="cancel" to="cancel" />
</global-transitions>
```

Finish

End state

Redirects

- □ servletRelative
- □ contextRelative
- □ serverRelative
- □ http:// or https://

FlowHandler

□ Interface

```
public interface FlowHandler {
   public String getFlowId();
   public MutableAttributeMap createExecutionInputMap(...);
   public String handleExecutionOutcome(...);
   public String handleException(...);
}
```

□ Bean

```
<bean name="hotels/booking" class="test.BookingFlowHandler"/>
```

Spring JS

Configuration

□ server side

□ client side

```
<script type="text/javascript"
src="<c:url value="/resources/dojo/dojo.js" />"></script>
<script type="text/javascript"
src="<c:url value="/resources/spring/Spring.js" />"></script>
<script type="text/javascript"
src="<c:url value="/resources/spring/Spring-Dojo.js"/>"></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script></script
```

Simple decoration

```
<form:input id="searchString" path="searchString"/>
<script type="text/javascript">
    Spring.addDecoration(new Spring.ElementDecoration({
        elementId : "searchString",
        widgetType : "dijit.form.ValidationTextBox",
        widgetAttrs : {promptMessage : "Search hotels by name."}
    }));
</script>
```

Regexp

```
<form:input path="creditCard"/>
<script type="text/javascript">
  Spring.addDecoration(new Spring.ElementDecoration({
    elementId : "creditCard",
    widgetType : "dijit.form.ValidationTextBox",
    widgetAttrs : {
      required : true,
      invalidMessage: "A 16-digit card number is required.",
      regExp : "[0-9]{16}"
  }));
</script>
```

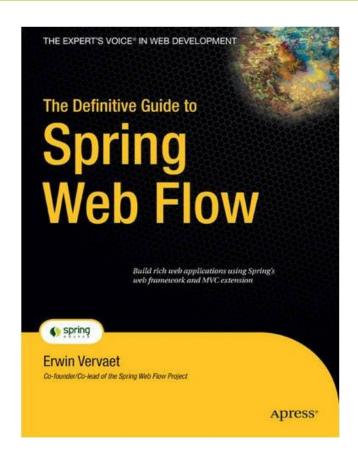
Date

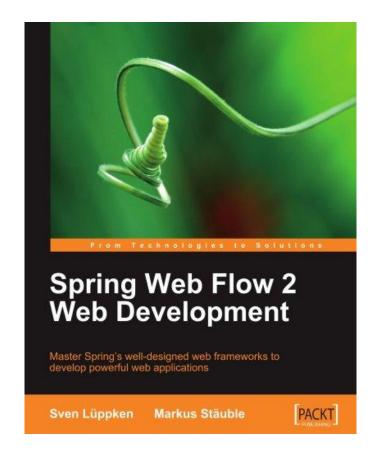
```
<form:input path="checkoutDate"/>
<script type="text/javascript">
  Spring.addDecoration(new Spring.ElementDecoration({
    elementId : "checkoutDate",
    widgetType : "dijit.form.DateTextBox",
    widgetAttrs : {
      datePattern : "MM-dd-yyyy",
      required : true
  }));
</script>
```

Conclusion

- □ handles all navigation steps (including back, refresh)
- clear state management
- □ full integration with Spring MVC and other

Books





Links

□ Web Flow reference http://static.springframework.org/springwebflow/docs/2.3.x/reference/html/index.html samples https://src.springframework.org/svn/spring-samples/ □ forum http://forum.springframework.org/forumdisplay.php?f=36 Spring Web Flow 2 Web Development http://www.springsource.org/node/1286 Refcardz http://refcardz.dzone.com/refcardz/spring-web-flow

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