Advice Deep Dive

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- So far: only before advice
- There is much more
- More possibilities

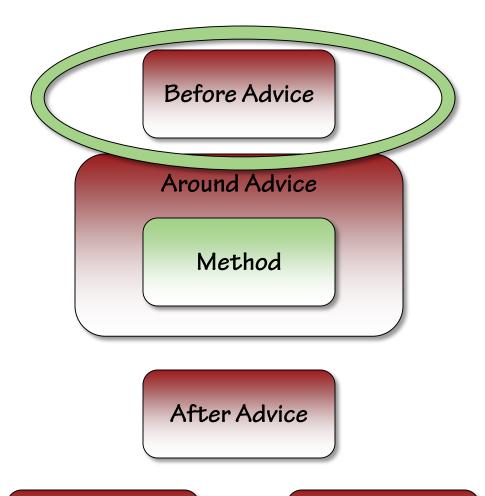
Before Advice

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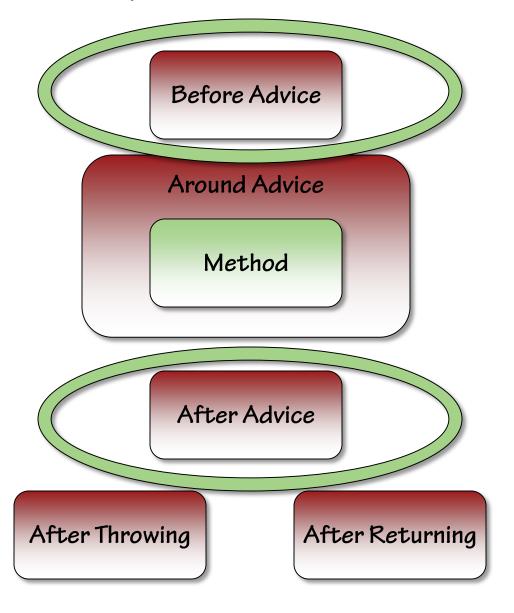


After Throwing

Before Advice

- Executed before the method
- Exception prevents method to be executed
- Exception is propagated to the caller

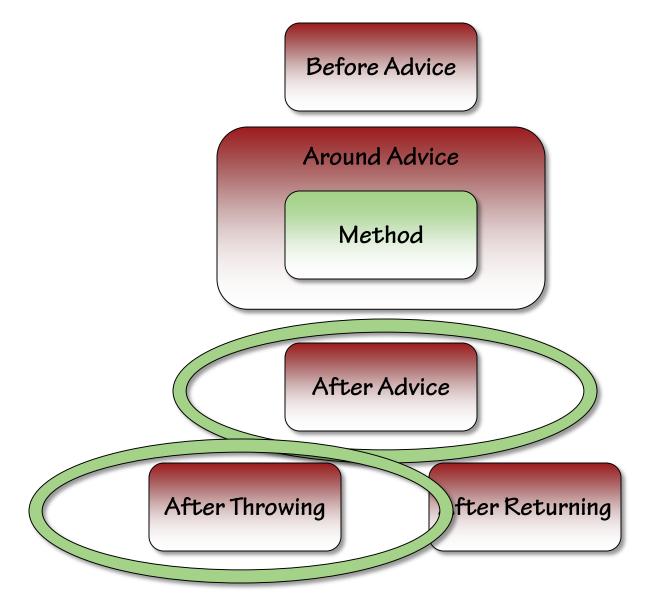
```
@Before(
  "execution(void doSomething())"
)
public void entering() {
  logger.trace("entering method");
}
```



After Advice

- Executed after the method is executed
- Exception could have been thrown...
- ...or method could have been executed successfully

```
@After(
"execution(* *(..))"
)
public void exiting(JoinPoint joinPoint) {
  logger.trace("exiting " + joinPoint.getSignature());
}
```



After Throwing

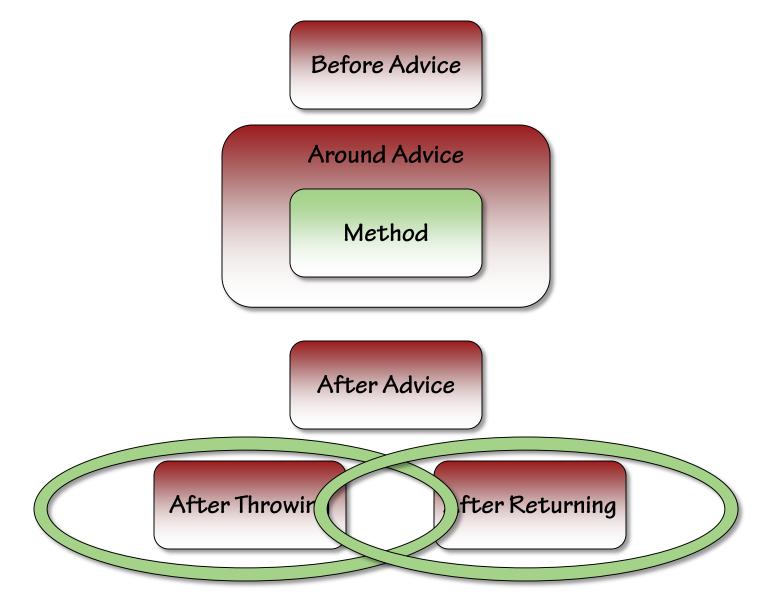
- Executed if method threw an exception
- Exception will be propagated to the caller

```
@AfterThrowing(pointcut =
  "execution(* *(..))")
public void logException() {
  logger.error("Exception");
}
```

After Throwing

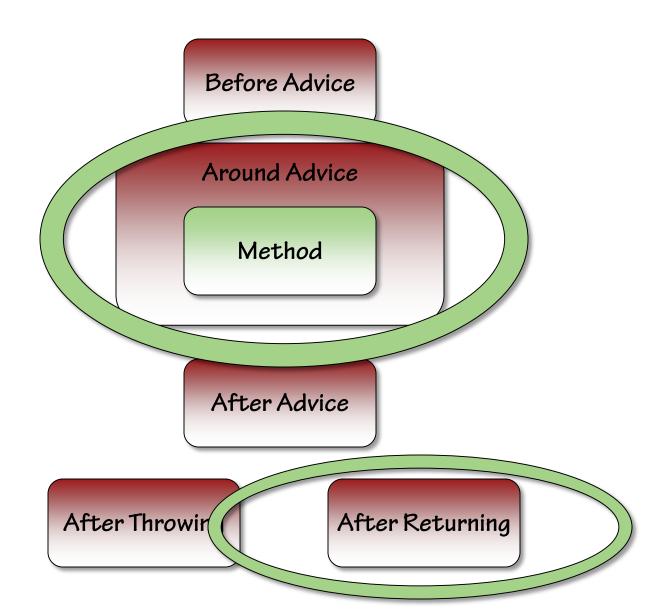
- Thrown exception can be accessed
- Type safe i.e. method only executed if a RuntimeException is thrown

```
@AfterThrowing(pointcut =
  "execution(* *(..))",
  throwing = "ex")
public void logException(RuntimeException ex) {
  logger.error("Exception ", ex);
}
```



- Executed if the method returned successfully
- Can access the result
- Type safe i.e. only called if a String is returned

```
@AfterReturning(pointcut =
"execution(* *(..))",
  returning = "string"
)
public void logResult(String string) {
  logger.trace("result "+string);
}
```



Around Advice

- Wraps around the method
- Can prevent the original method from being called
- ...without throwing an exception like the before advice
- Only advice that can catch exceptions
- Only advice that can modify return value
- Current method call is passed to the Advice
- ProceedingJoinPoint
- Can be executed or skipped

Around Advice Example

```
@Around(
"execution(* *(..))"
public Object trace(ProceedingJoinPoint proceedingJP)
 throws Throwable {
 String methodInformation =
  proceedingJP.getStaticPart().getSignature().toString();
 logger.trace("Entering "+methodInformation);
 try {
  return proceedingJP.proceed();
 } catch (Throwable ex) {
  logger.error("Exception in "+methodInformation, ex);
  throw ex;
 } finally {
  logger.trace("Exiting "+methodInformation);
```

Around Advice

- Most powerful advice
- i.e. can be used instead of Before and After
- Around is powerful but also complex
- Should use the appropriate advice

Summary

Before Advice

Around Advice

Method

After Advice

After Throwing