



Service Layer

CS544: Enterprise Architecture



Spring Services

• In this short module we will first discuss the purpose of the Service layer in Spring (enterprise) applications, after which we will also take a look at how to split the spring configuration file into multiple smaller special purpose configuration files.



Service Layer:

THE SERVICE LAYER

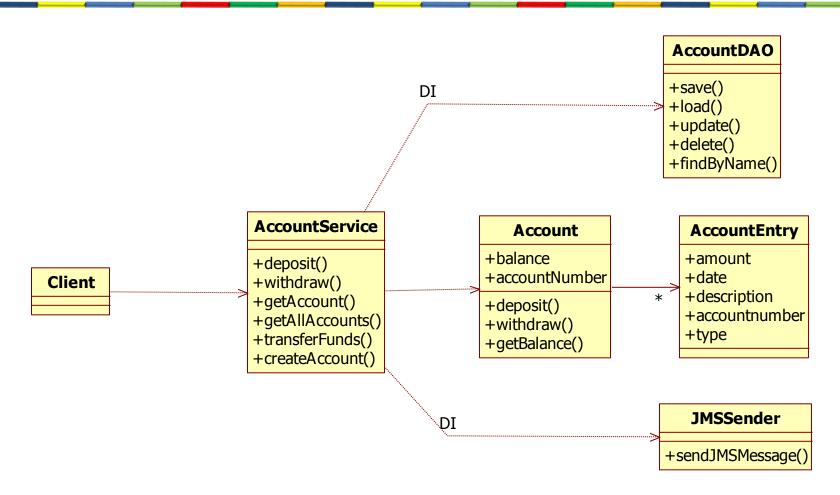


The Service Layer

- We discussed previously how the service layer can be seen as a technology independent controller
- Another point of view is that it is a place where multiple repository (DAO) methods are combined into a single transaction, sometimes adding additional things like logging
- Because of this we will see here how the service layer can be seen as an entry point to a sub system.

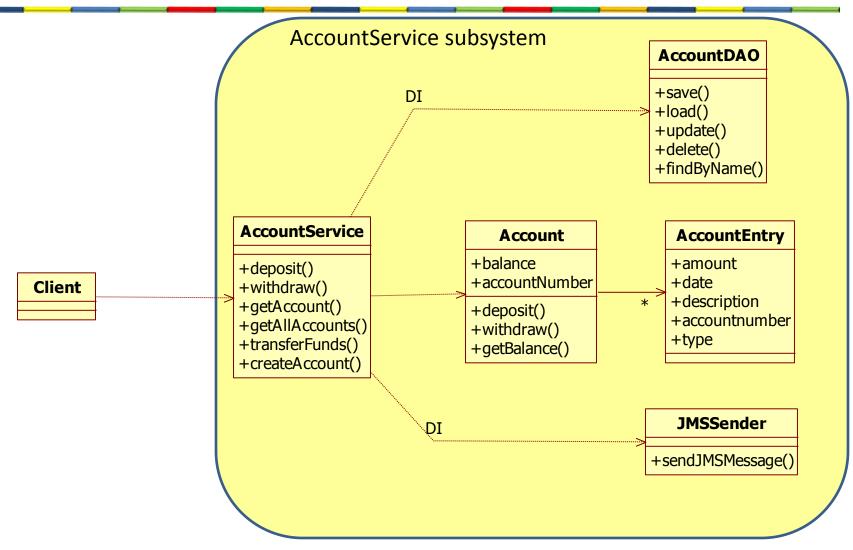


Service Object



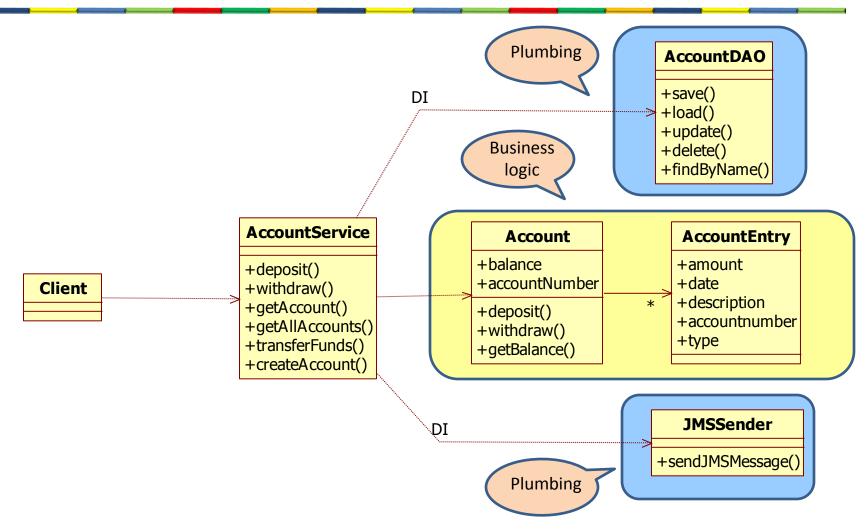


Entry of a complex subsystem



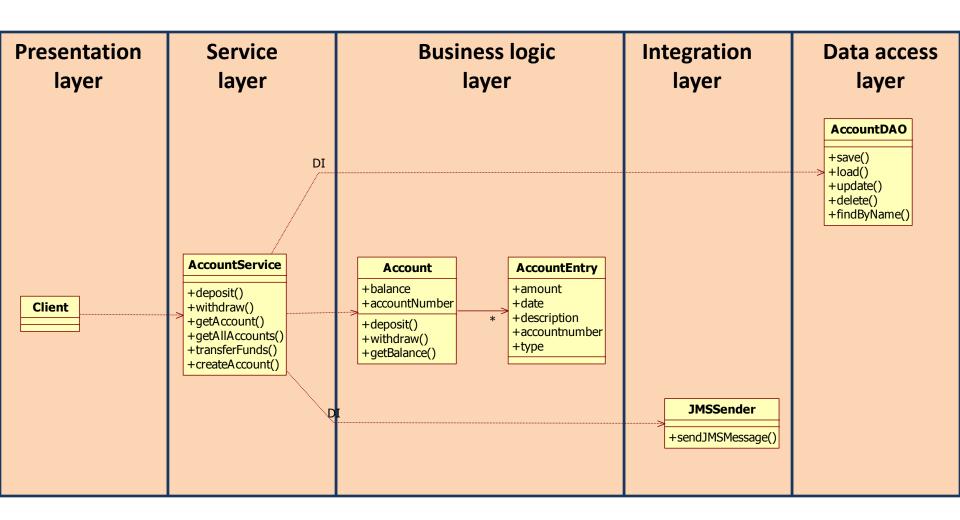


Separation of concern



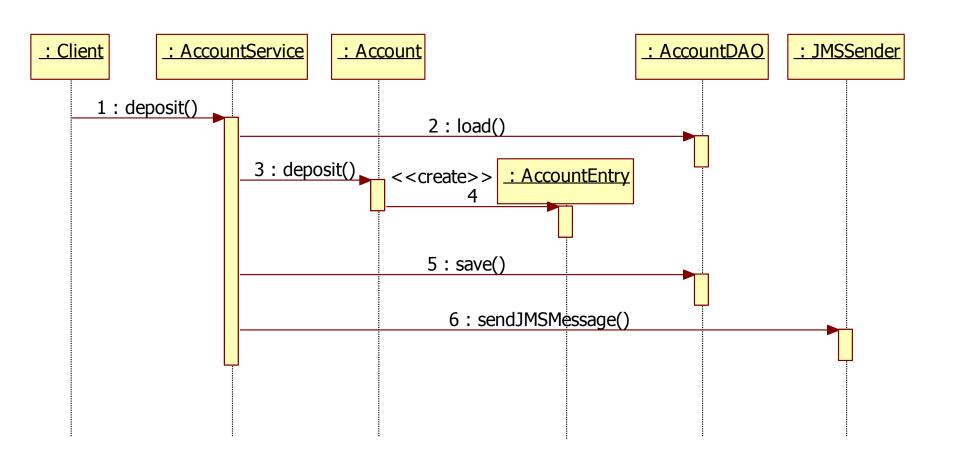


Application layers





Service object





The Service Layer

- As our application grows we notice that we can differentiate between technology specific controllers and on a deeper level business control (Service Layer).
- A bigger application doesn't mean a bigger mess, just a different organization; all that is needed is some awareness of what is going on.



Data Access Objects

- In the course we mostly use Data Access
 Objects (DAOs aka Repositories)
- There are certain people who argue against their use, saying it's a 'cargo cult'
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zTKI7qeyLlw

 If you want to use them you can also generate them with Spring-Data



Data Transfer Objects

- Data Transfer Objects are classes to hold the data between the service layer and the view.
 - Valid approach without the OpenSessionInView
 - Does create a lot more classes, a lot more bloat

Presentation layer	Service layer	Business logic layer	Integration layer	Data access layer



Service Layer:

MULTIPLE CONFIGURATION FILES



Multiple XML configuration files using include

```
public class Application {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
      ApplicationContext context = new ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(accountService.xml);
      IAccountService accountService = context.getBean("accountService", IAccountService.class);
      ...
   }
}
```

accountService.xml

Import other XML configuration files

dataAccess.xml

jmsService.xml



Multiple XML configuration files through the ApplicationContext

```
public class Application {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    String[] xmlResources ={"accountService.xml", "dataAccess.xml", "jmsService.xml"};
    ApplicationContext context = new ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(xmlResources);
    IAccountService accountService = context.getBean("accountService", IAccountService.class);
    ...
}
```

accountService.xml

dataAccess.xml

imsService.xml



Multiple configuration classes with @Import

```
@Configuration
public class EmailConfig {

    @Bean
    public EmailService emailService() {
       return new EmailServiceImpl();
    }
}
```



Multiple Configuration Files

Since our application itself is often large, (and found in layers) it makes sense to separate a large spring configuration file along the same lines, into the same layers.



Active Learning

• How does the Service layer support the concept of separation of concerns?

with dependency invection

What are the two ways that you can connect multiple configuration files together?

using include and through ApplicationContext



Summary

- Almost all Spring applications make use of service objects
- Service objects connect enterprise service objects (DOA's, loggers, email senders, etc) with the business logic objects.
 - Providing Separation of Concerns
- The Spring configuration file can be split up in several configuration files



Main Point

- The service layer provides a separation of concerns needed in larger applications.
- Science of Consciousness: Life is found in layers, just like our applications