

## **Transaction Management and Caching in Spring**

This document explains the concepts of transaction management and caching in Spring, focusing on declarative and programmatic transaction management, as well as transaction propagation, isolation levels, and caching mechanisms.

### **1. Declarative Transaction Management**

Declarative transaction management in Spring is achieved using the `@Transactional` annotation. This allows you to define transaction boundaries without manually managing the transaction lifecycle.

### **2. Programmatic Transaction Management**

Programmatic transaction management gives you more flexibility but requires manual handling of the transaction lifecycle. You can use the `PlatformTransactionManager` to manage transactions.

### **3. Transaction Propagation and Isolation Levels**

Propagation defines how transactions relate to each other, while isolation levels determine the visibility of transaction changes to other transactions.

### **4. Caching in Spring**

Caching is a mechanism to store frequently accessed data in memory to reduce the number of database hits and improves performance. Spring provides caching abstraction with annotations like

`@Cacheable` and `@CacheEvict`.

Example:

```
@Cacheable(value = "patients", key = "#patientId")
public Patient getPatientById(Long patientId) {
    return patientRepository.findById(patientId)
        .orElseThrow(() -> new IllegalArgumentException("Patient not found"));
}

@CacheEvict(value = "patients", key = "#patientId")
public void deletePatient(Long patientId) {
    patientRepository.deleteById(patientId);
}
```