



Hibernate & Spring Data JPA

Beginner to Guru

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- When and where should you validate data?
- Focus of course has been pre-persistence validation
- Consider a multi-tier application
 - ReactJS front end, Spring Boot RESTFul API, Spring Data JPA
 - User Input Validation, API Validation, Persistence Validation





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- General Principle - Validate Early and Fail Early. Then Trust, but Verify
- User Input Validation
 - Validate all user input, provide rich feedback to end user
- API Validation - Validate data, provide rich feedback - HTTP 400 Bad Request
- Persistence Validation - last line of defense, validate data, provide rich data in exception
 - Should be HTTP 400, but might be HTTP 500
- Earlier failures are more consumer friendly



