

## **IX. Spring AOP**

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## Spring AOP

- ❖ Spring only supports *method joinpoints*
  - ❑ AspectJ supports both method and field joinpoints
    - Field joinpoints allow advice to be fired on field modifications
    - This is not a focus of Spring's service architecture
- ❖ Main types of Spring AOP advice
  - ❑ *Before*                      -executes before a method is called
  - ❑ *Around*                    -executes when a method is called
  - ❑ *After*                        -executes after a method is called
  - ❑ *Throws*                    -executes after method throws an exception
  - ❑ *Introduction*            -modify classes by adding methods and fields

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**Notes:**

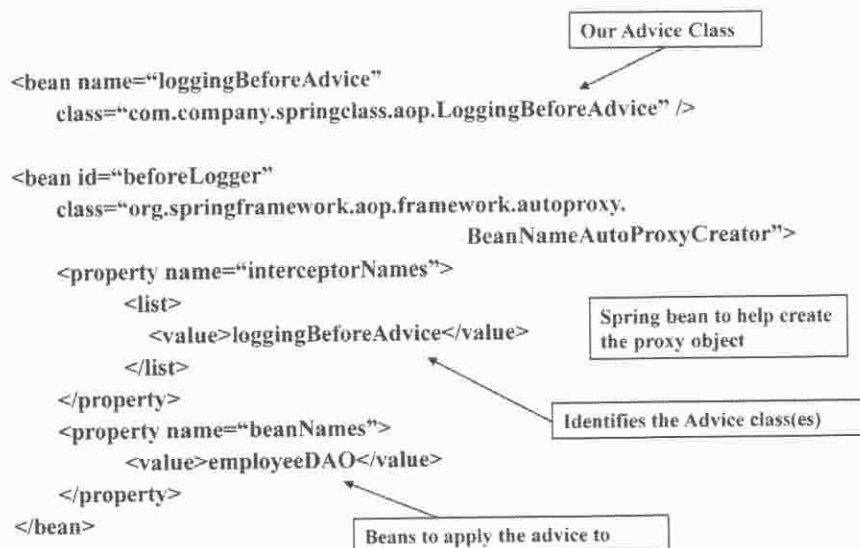
## Before Advice Example

- ❖ Simple Example showing Spring *Before Advice*
  - ❑ Implement logging cross-cutting concerns by logging the name of each employee used in **EmployeeDAO** methods (update, create, and delete methods)
  - ❑ This example is interesting because it never requires us to modify the original EmployeeDAO class!

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## Configure the Advice



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## After Advice

- ❖ Creating a solution to act after a method returns is useful for the EmployeeDAO **find()** method
  - This example logs the employee name after the **find()** method returns



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## Configuring the Advice

```
<bean name="loggingAfterAdvice"
      class="com.company.springclass.aop.LoggingAfterAdvice" />

<bean id="afterLogger"
      class="org.springframework.aop.framework.autoproxy.
              BeanNameAutoProxyCreator">
  <property name="interceptorNames">
    <list>
      <value>loggingAfterAdvice</value>
    </list>
  </property>
  <property name="beanNames">
    <value>employeeDAO</value>
  </property>
</bean>
```

Our Advice Class

Spring bean to help create the proxy object

Identifies the Advice class(es)

Beans to apply the advice to

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# Implement MethodInterceptor

```
public class EmployeeValidationAdvice implements MethodInterceptor
{
    public Object invoke(MethodInvocation invoker) throws Throwable {
        Object o = null;

        System.out.println("AROUND ADVICE – validating Employee");

        if (invoker.getMethod().getName().equals("find")) {
            String empNo = (String) invoker.getArguments()[1];
            if (empNo != null && empNo.length() == 6) {
                try {
                    Integer.parseInt(empNo);
                    o = invoker.proceed();
                }
                catch (NumberFormatException e) {}
            }
        }

        return o;
    }
}
```

If your validation criteria are satisfied invoke the target method

Invoke() is called by the Spring AOP framework after configuring it either programmatically or declaratively

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## Notes:

Here a class is used to validate the data passed into the *find()* method of the EmployeeDAO object. In order for this to work, Spring must be told which beans to intercept method calls on and also which MethodInterceptor class' *invoke()* method to call in those circumstances.

In the Spring config file, the following statements would be required:

```
<bean id="aroundValidation"
class="org.springframework.aop.framework.autoproxy.BeanNameAutoProxyCreator">
    <property name="interceptorNames">
        <list>
            <value>employeeValidationAdvice</value>
        </list>
    </property>
    <property name="beanNames">
        <value>employeeDAO</value>
    </property>
</bean>
```

and the bean definition:

```
<bean name="employeeValidationAdvice"
class="com.company.springclass.aop.EmployeeValidationAdvice" />
```

## Spring-Provided Pointcuts

- ❖ To inform Spring exactly which methods within a class to advise, use a *Pointcut*
- ❖ Do this in 1 of 2 ways:
  - ❑ Use a Spring-provided pointcut
  - ❑ Create your own pointcut implementation

`org.springframework.aop.support.NameMatchMethodPointcut`

`org.springframework.aop.support.StaticMethodMatcherPointcut`

`org.springframework.aop.support.DynamicMethodMatcherPointcut`

`org.springframework.aop.support.ControlFlowPointcut`

`org.springframework.aop.support.JdkRegexpMethodPointcut`

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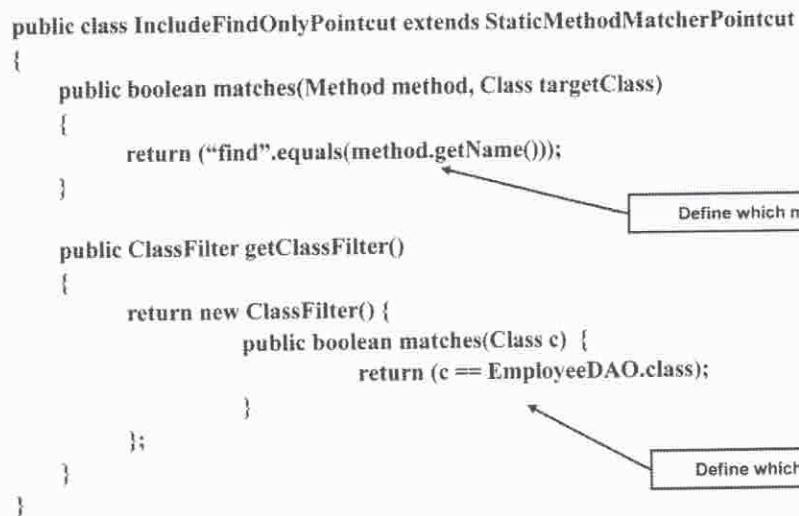
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## Creating the Pointcut

```
public class IncludeFindOnlyPointcut extends StaticMethodMatcherPointcut
{
    public boolean matches(Method method, Class targetClass)
    {
        return ("find".equals(method.getName()));
    }

    public ClassFilter getClassFilter()
    {
        return new ClassFilter() {
            public boolean matches(Class c) {
                return (c == EmployeeDAO.class);
            }
        };
    }
}
```



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### Notes:

This example would invoke the around advice defined in the Spring config file only when the find() method of the EmployeeDAO class is invoked.

## Using the Pointcut

- ❖ The client code remains untouched, the Advice class no longer checks to see if the find method is being called:

```
Employee e = new Employee ("000350", "Trayson");  
e.setFirstName("Anna");
```

```
ApplicationContext context = new  
ClassPathXmlApplicationContext("beans.xml");
```

```
ProxyFactory pf = new  
ProxyFactory(context.getBean("employeeDAO"));  
DAO dao = (DAO) pf.getProxy();
```

```
Employee emp = (Employee) dao.find(Employee.class, e.getEmpNo());
```

```
dao.findAll(Employee.class);
```

This method will be advised

This one will not

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### Notes:

The EmployeeValidationAdvice class no longer contains a check to see if the *find()* method is being called:

```
public class EmployeeValidationAdvice implements MethodInterceptor  
{  
    public Object invoke(MethodInvocation invoker) throws Throwable  
    {  
        Object o = null;  
  
        System.out.println("AROUND ADVICE -validating Employee number");  
        System.out.println("Method called: " + invoker.getMethod().getName());  
  
        String empNo = (String) invoker.getArguments()[1];  
        if (empNo != null && empNo.length() == 6)  
        {  
            try {  
                Integer.parseInt(empNo);  
                o = invoker.proceed();  
            }  
            catch (NumberFormatException e) {}  
        }  
  
        return o;  
    }  
}
```

## Lab 9b: Spring AOP

- ❖ Complete the example that *performs validation using around advice* with Spring AOP
- ❖ Work from the Eclipse project called **SpringLab09b** in the student files directory
- ❖ Add declarations in the Spring config file (*beans.xml*) to implement around advice.
- ❖ Complete the class **EmployeeValidationAdvice** in the **com.company.springclass.aop** package
- ❖ Follow **instructions.html** for more specific tasks

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## **X. JUnit**

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## JUnit 4 Features ...

- ❖ JUnit 4 core package is ***org.junit***
  - ❑ *junit.framework* older package still provided for backward compatibility
  - ❑ Test classes no longer need to extend *junit.framework.TestCase*
    - JUnit4 now uses **annotations** for defining support

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## JUnit 4 Test Methods

- ❖ Test methods should still return void and accept no parameters
- ❖ To ignore or skip a test, supply a *@Ignore* annotation
- ❖ No Swing or AWT GUI is used with JUnit 4, only a text-based test runner



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## Setting Up JUnit 4.5 or Later

❖ Make sure the following two JARs are on the classpath:

- ❑ *junit-4.5.jar* (or a later version)
- ❑ *org.springframework.test.jar*



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### Notes:

Spring-test.jar contains the Spring-based annotations for unit testing. A JUnit 4 or later version jar is required for annotation-based unit testing.

## The TestCase Explained

- ❖ *@RunWith()* → test should be performed using Spring's TestRunner
- ❖ *@ContextConfiguration()* → location of the Spring config file(s)
- ❖ *@Test* → defines the methods to test
- ❖ *@AutoWired* → perform any bean injections (based on property name and config file name matches)

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### Notes:

Spring takes care of initializing the ApplicationContext and in this case even injects the employeeService object into the test case via the *@AutoWired* annotation.



## Exercise 3c: Spring and JUnit4

- ❖ Using JUnit4 and Spring annotations, create a TestCase to test the *Spring JDBC Product* code from exercise 3b.
- ❖ Use the source files provided in project **SpringLab03c** for this exercise.



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