Testing WebFlux Endpoints with WebTestClient



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Overview



Create a WebTestClient instance
Testing annotated controllers
Testing functional endpoints

WebTestClient

Creating a WebTestClient Instance

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Testing with WebTestClient

```
client
    .get()
    .uri("/products")
    .exchange()
    .expectStatus().isOk()
    .expectHeader().contentType(MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON_UTF8)
    .expectBodyList(Product.class).isEqualTo(expectedList);
    //.expectBody(Product.class);
    //.consumeWith(result -> { /* custom assertions */ });
```

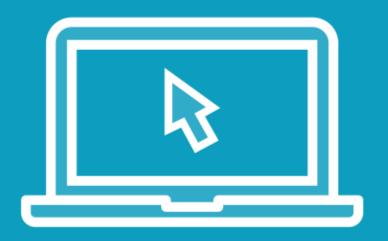
Testing with WebTestClient

```
client
   .delete()
   .uri("/products")
   .exchange()
   .expectStatus().isOk()
   .expectBody(Void.class);
```

Testing with WebTestClient

```
client
    .get()
    .uri("/products")
    .exchange()
    .expectStatus().isOk()
    .expectBody().isEmpty();
```

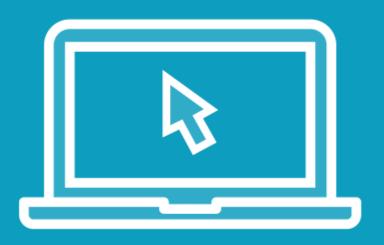
Demo



Annotated Controllers

- Bind to controller
 - Real server
 - Mock objects
- Bind to application context
- @WebFluxTest annotation

Demo



Functional Endpoints

- Bind to router function
- Bind to server
- Auto-configure WebTestClient

Things to Remember



WebTestClient

- Uses WebClient internally
- Adds methods to verify the response

Setup

- Controllers
- Router functions
- Application context
- Running servers

Annotations

- @SpringBootTest
- @WebFluxTest
- @AutoConfigureWebTestClient

Things to Remember



Reactive programming

Project Reactor

Spring WebFlux

- Annotated controllers
- Functional endpoints

WebClient

WebTestClient

Spring WebFlux Is Flexible



Server

- Netty, Tomcat, Jetty, Undertow

Reactive library

- Reactor, RxJava

Programming model

- Controllers, functional endpoints

Reactive Programming Model







Scalability

Main Use Cases



Highly concurrent applications

- Easy to scale

Networks applications

- Latency
- Failures
- Backpressure

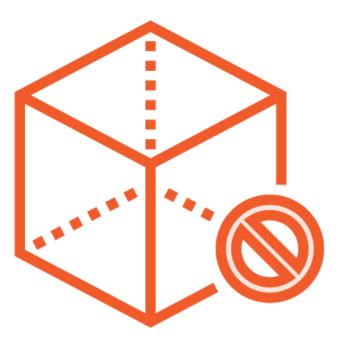
Server-side events

- Real-time data
- Live queries

When to Stick to Spring MVC?







Spring MVC already works for you

Reactive has a steep learning curve

Blocking libraries

Thank you