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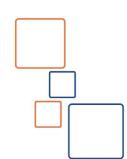




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Lesson 1

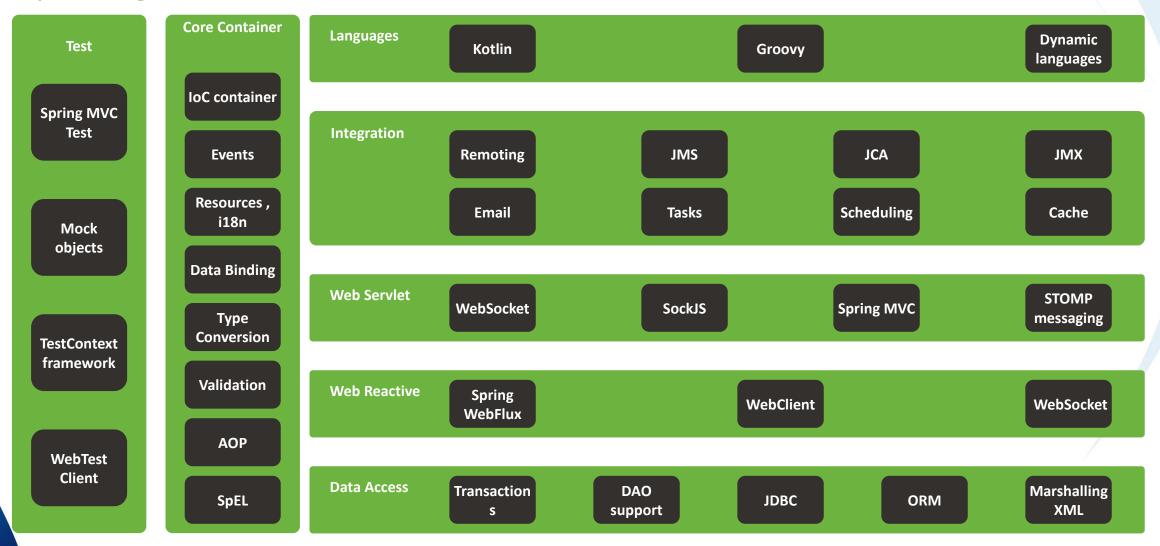
Spring MVC Introduction
(DispatcherServlet, Application and Web Application Context)







Spring Framework Modules







Spring Web MVC

- Spring Web MVC is the original web framework.
- Built on the Servlet API and has been included in the Spring Framework from the very beginning.
- The formal name "Spring Web MVC" comes from the name of its source module (spring-webmvc), but it is more commonly known as "Spring MVC".
- Parallel to Spring Web MVC, Spring Framework 5.0 introduced a reactive-stack web framework whose name "Spring WebFlux" is also based on its source module (spring-

webflux).





Spring Web MVC (Ex.)

- Spring MVC like any web frameworks is designed around the front controller pattern.
 - Where a central Servlet called DispatcherServlet, provides a shared algorithm for request processing, while actual work is performed by configurable delegate components.
 - This model is flexible and supports diverse workflows.
- The DispatcherServlet as any Servlet, needs to be declared and mapped according to the Servlet specification by using Java configuration or in web.xml.
- Then, The DispatcherServlet uses Spring configuration to discover the delegate components it
 needs for request mapping, view resolution, exception handling, and more.



 In Spring Web Applications, there are two types of container, each of which is configured and initialized differently.

- The "Application Context".
- The "Web Application Context".



- Application Context is the container defined in the web.xml and initialized:
 - Either by a ContextLoaderListener Or ContextLoaderServlet.
- This context might, for instance, contain components such as middle-tier transactional services, data access objects, or other objects that you might want to use (and re-use) across the application.
- By default it is looking up for file called "applicationContext.xml" in WEB-INF that contains
 your definitions.
- There will be one application context per application.



The configuration would look something like this:

I am asking spring to load all files from the classpath that match *-context.xml and /WEB-

INF/spring/ApplicationContext.xml and create an Application Context from it.



- The purpose of the ContextLoaderListener is two function:
 - 1. To tie the lifecycle of the ApplicationContext to the lifecycle of the ServletContext.
 - 2. To automate the creation of the ApplicationContext, so you don't have to write explicit code to create it it's a convenience function.



- Web Application Context is the child context of the application context.
- Each DispatcherServlet defined in a Spring web application will have an associated WebApplicationContext.
- You can define more than DispatcherServlet in the same web application at same time.
- All Created DispatcherServlet(s) share the same application context but with different web application context.
- By default it is looking up for file called "<servletname>-servlet.xml" in WEB-INF that contains

your springmvc definition.



The configuration would look something like this:

• I am asking spring to load all files from the classpath that match *-servlet.xml and /WEB-

INF/spring/springmvc-servlet.xml and create an Web Application Context from it.



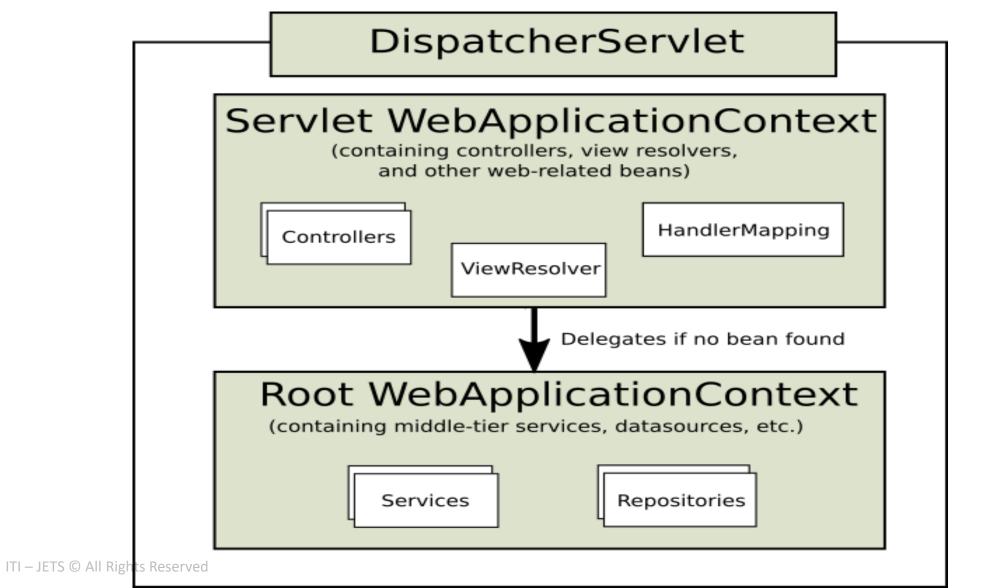
- Whatever beans are available in the ApplicationContext can be referred to from each WebApplicationContext.
- It is a best practice to keep a clear separation between middle-tier services such as business logic components and data access classes (that are typically defined in the ApplicationContext) and web-related components such as controllers and view resolvers (that are defined in the WebApplicationContext per Dispatcher Servlet).



- There is a list to understand Application Contexts and Web Application Contexts
 - Application-Contexts are hierarchical and so are WebApplicationContexts.
 - ContextLoaderListener creates a root web-application-context for the web-application and puts it in the ServletContext.
 - This context can be used to load and unload the spring-managed beans irrespective of what technology is being used in the controller layer (Struts or Spring MVC).
 - DispatcherServlet creates its own WebApplicationContext and the handlers/controllers/view-resolvers are managed by this context.
 - When ContextLoaderListener is used in same configuration with DispatcherServlet, a root webapplication-context is created first as said earlier and a child-context is also created by DispatcherServlet and is attached to the root application-context.



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- You can configure your DispatcherServlet by:
 - Either by Servlet Mapping for DispatcherServlet.
 - Or by implement Custom WebApplicationInitializer
 - Or by extend AbstractAnnotationConfigDispatcherServletInitializer





Using DispatcherServlet

- You can configure your DispatcherServlet by:
 - Either by Servlet Mapping for DispatcherServlet.
 - You made it by define your DispatcherServlet and It's mapping as follows:

- In the previous example we define the dispatcher servlet with default configuration settings so they lookup for file with standard name (<servlet-name>-servlet.xml) called
 - "mvc-dispatcher-servlet.xml" that contains beans definition for Spring MVC components.





Using DispatcherServlet (Ex.)

• You also could override the default configuration to your own as follows:

• In the previous example we define the dispatcher servlet with custom configuration settings in (WEB-INF/spring/mvc.xml).





Using DispatcherServlet (Ex.)

• You also could override the default configuration to your own as follows:

• In the previous example we define the dispatcher servlet with custom configuration settings in all

files from the classpath that match *-servlet.xml and /WEB-INF/spring/springmvc-servlet.xml.





Using DispatcherServlet (Ex.)

• For All previous declared syntax for DispatcherServlet, you must specify the servlet-mapping for your dispatcher servlet to match your request patterns as follows for example:

• For spring MVC convention we use this pattern for URLs ".htm" but you could use any pattern you want





- You can also configure your DispatcherServlet by:
 - implement Custom WebApplicationInitializer
 - You made it by
 - Clearing your web.xml from any spring configuration.
 - Define Class that implement org.springframework.web.WebApplicationInitializer and override onStartup method to define spring context with your custom configuration.
 - Here we define our application context programmatically and pass it to DispatcherServlet.





• If your configuration is XML Based, you could use XmlWebApplicationContext to create context as root configuration instead of @Configuration:

```
public class MyWebApplicationInitializer implements WebApplicationInitializer {
        @Override
        public void onStartup(ServletContext servletContext) {
            // Load Spring MVC configuration using XmlWebApplicationContext
            XmlWebApplicationContext applicationContext
                     = new XmlWebApplicationContext();
            applicationContext.setConfigLocation("/WEB-INF/spring/mvc.xml");
            // Create and register the DispatcherServlet
            DispatcherServlet servlet = new DispatcherServlet(applicationContext);
            ServletRegistration. Dynamic registration
                     = servletContext.addServlet("mvc-dispatcher", servlet);
            registration.setLoadOnStartup(1);
            registration.addMapping("*.htm");
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```





• If your configuration is Java Based, you could user AnnotationConfigWebApplicationContext to create context as root configuration using @Configuration:

```
public class MyWebApplicationInitializer implements WebApplicationInitializer {
    @Override
    public void onStartup(ServletContext servletContext) {
        // Load Spring MVC using AnnotationConfigWebApplicationContext
        AnnotationConfigWebApplicationContext applicationContext
                = new AnnotationConfigWebApplicationContext();
        applicationContext.register(ApplicationConfiguration.class);
        // Create and register the DispatcherServlet
        DispatcherServlet servlet = new DispatcherServlet(applicationContext);
        ServletRegistration. Dynamic registration
                = servletContext.addServlet("mvc-dispatcher", servlet);
        registration.setLoadOnStartup(1);
        registration.addMapping("*.htm");
```





• In Your Configuration file as the previous example called "ApplicationConfiguration" you could specify the linking to some resources or declared the spring MVC components inside it.

```
@Configuration
//Either in class-path
//@ImportResource("classpath:/com/jediver/spring/cfg/mvc.xml")
//or in class-path
@ImportResource("WEB-INF/spring/mvc.xml")
//or in both
//@ImportResource({"WEB-INF/spring/mvc.xml",
// "classpath:/com/jediver/spring/cfg/mvc.xml"})
public class ApplicationConfiguration {
```



Using



AbstractAnnotationConfigDispatcherServletInitializer

- You can configure your DispatcherServlet by:
 - extending AbstractAnnotationConfigDispatcherServletInitializer
 - You made it by
 - Clearing your web.xml from any spring configuration.
 - Define Class that extend

org.springframework.web.servlet.support.AbstractAnnotationConfigDispatcherServletInitializer and override getRootConfigClasses(), getServletConfigClasses() and getServletMappings() methods to define spring context with your configuration.





```
public class MyWebApplicationInitializer extends
        AbstractAnnotationConfigDispatcherServletInitializer {
    @Override
    protected Class<?>[] getRootConfigClasses() {
        return new Class<?>[]{};
    @Override
    protected Class<?>[] getServletConfigClasses() {
        return new Class<?>[]{ApplicationConfiguration.class};
    @Override
    protected String[] getServletMappings() {
        return new String[]{"*.htm"};
```



Using



AbstractAnnotationConfigDispatcherServletInitializer

It also provide abstract way to add filter instances and have them be automatically mapped to the

DispatcherServlet:

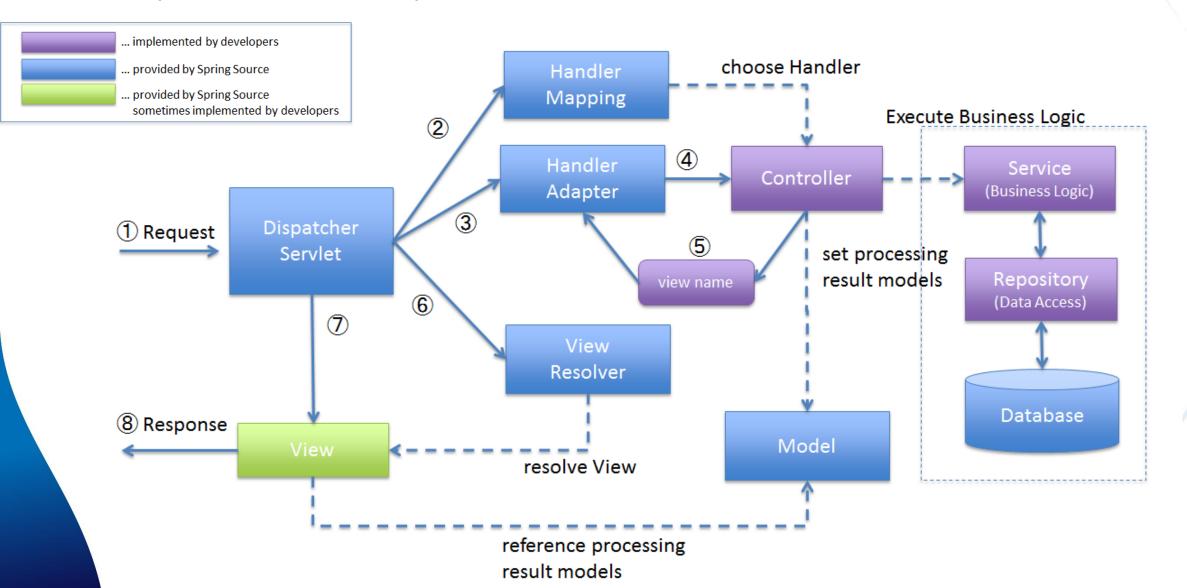
Lesson 2 Spring MVC Request Lifecycle







Request Life Cycle







Request Life Cycle (Ex.)

- When the request leaves the browser, it carries information (e.g. the requested URL, the information submitted in a form ,etc..)
- 1. The first step in the request's life cycle is Spring's DispatcherServlet receives the request
 - It act as façade class for user request handling.
- 2. DispatcherServlet dispatches (delegate) the task of selecting an appropriate controller to HandlerMapping.
 - HandlerMapping selects the controller which is mapped to the incoming request URL and returns the (selected Handler) and Controller to DispatcherServlet.





Request Life Cycle (Ex.)

- 3. DispatcherServlet dispatches (delegate) the task of executing of business logic of Controller to HandlerAdapter.
- 4. HandlerAdapter calls the business logic process of Controller.
 - Also responsible for data binding and conversion between the row request and the controller data binding.
- 5. Controller
 - Executes the business logic.
 - Sets the processing result in Model.
 - Returns the logical name of view to HandlerAdapter.





Request Life Cycle (Ex.)

- 6. DispatcherServlet dispatches (delegate) the task of resolving the View corresponding to the View name to ViewResolver.
 - ViewResolver returns the View that mapped to this View name.
- 7. DispatcherServlet dispatches (delegate) the rendering process to returned View to generate this type of view.
- 8. View renders Model data and returns the final response to client.

Lesson 3 Spring MVC Hello World Example

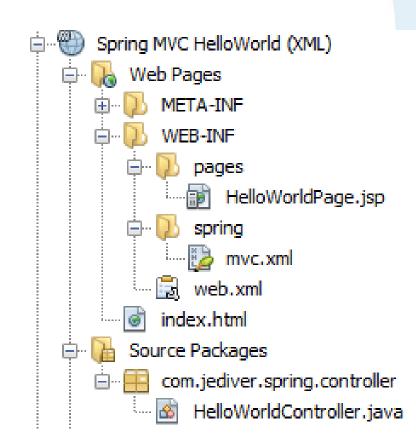






Hello World Example

- Let us make our first Hello World example:
- First define the web application context in web.xml as described before.
- 2. Then define your controller class to receive the request and handle it.
- 3. Then define your application context file and/or class to define your bean definitions.
- 4. Then define your pages as defined with this hierarchy for example.







Hello World Example (Ex.)

1. First define the web application context in web.xml as described before for example as follows:

```
<web-app version="3.1" xmlns="http://xmlns.jcp.org/xml/ns/javaee"</pre>
         xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
        xsi:schemaLocation="http://xmlns.jcp.org/xml/ns/javaee
            http://xmlns.jcp.org/xml/ns/javaee/web-app 3 1.xsd">
   <servlet>
        <servlet-name>mvc-dispatcher</servlet-name>
        <servlet-class>org.springframework.web.servlet.DispatcherServlet</servlet-class>
        <init-param>
            <param-name>contextConfigLocation</param-name>
            <param-value>/WEB-INF/spring/mvc.xml</param-value>
        </init-param>
        <load-on-startup>l</load-on-startup>
   </servlet>
   <servlet-mapping>
        <servlet-name>mvc-dispatcher</servlet-name>
        <url-pattern>*.htm</url-pattern>
   </servlet-mapping>
</web-app>
```





Hello World Example (Ex.)

- 2. Then define your controller class to receive the request and handle it.
- One of the techniques to declare **Controller** as in lifecycle is to declare class that extend AbstarctController and override handleRequestInternal() that return ModelAndView object to Handler Adapter.





- 3. Then define your application context file and/or class to define your bean definitions.
- In the following definitions we declare a bean definition for HelloWorldController.





- 3. Then define your application context file and/or class to define your bean definitions.
- Then we declare one of the types of Handler Mapping called "SimpleUrlHandlerMapping".
- SimpleUrlHandlerMapping enable you to define the URLs and reference to the controllers id or name.





- 3. Then define your application context file and/or class to define your bean definitions.
- Finally we declare one of the types of View Resolver called "InternalResourceViewResolver".
- It enable you to map view name with physical page with prefix and suffix, e.g. if the logical view name is "HelloWorldPage" so the physical page name is "/WEB-INF/pages/HelloWorldPage.jsp".



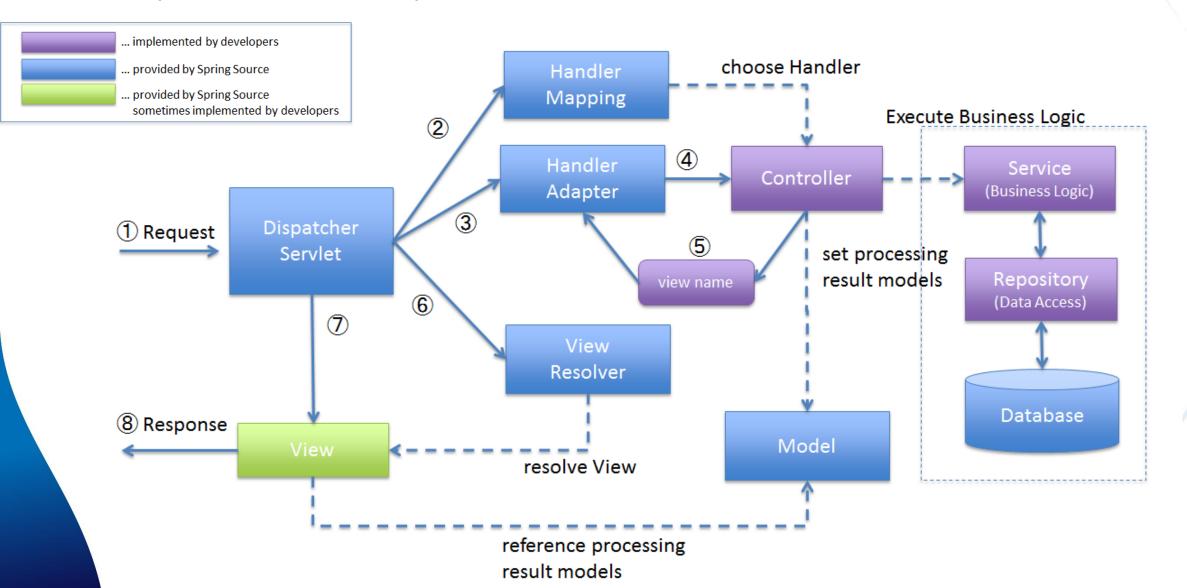


4. Then define your pages as defined with this hierarchy for example.





Request Life Cycle







- First The user initiate the request by request the URL (http://localhost:8080/HelloWorldXML/welcome.htm)
- 1. DispatcherServlet receives your request because it mapped with url "welcome.htm".
- 2. DispatcherServlet asks SimpleUrlHandlerMapping for this url, then
 SimpleURLHandlerMapping respond with an instance from the controller (based on scope rules) that called "helloController" and his own handler adapter to the DispatcherServlet.
- 3. DispatcherServlet hand over the request to HandlerAdapter to execute the Controller.
- 4. HandlerAdapter calls the Controller in handleRequestInternal() method and send it the request and the response.





- 5. Controller executes the business logic and return ModelAndView object that represent:
 - Model that contains your data which passed to view that cached until the view is rendered.
 - Contains "msg" ===> "Hello From JEDiver"
 - View that contains the logical name "HelloWorldPage" of the view to HandlerAdapter.
- 6. DispatcherServlet ask your InternalResourceViewResolver for this logic name so it respond with the physical name of page "/WEB-INF/pages/HelloWorldPage.jsp".
- 7. DispatcherServlet send the model data to the view "/WEB-INF/pages/HelloWorldPage.jsp".
- 8. Our jsp (Servlet in fact) take this data and define response body and send it to the client.



• If you didn't define your own bean definition of any of the classes in the life cycle, spring will provide ones by default defined in properties file named

"org/springframework/web/servlet/DispatcherServlet.properties" as below:

org.springframework.web.servlet.LocaleResolver

=org.springframework.web.servlet.i18n.AcceptHeaderLocaleResolver

org.springframework.web.servlet.ThemeResolver

=org.springframework.web.servlet.theme.FixedThemeResolver

org.springframework.web.servlet.HandlerMapping

=org.springframework.web.servlet.handler.BeanNameUrlHandlerMapping,

org.spring framework.web.servlet.mvc.method.annotation. Request Mapping Handler Mapping and Mapping Handler Mapping Mapping Handler Mapping



org.springframework.web.servlet.HandlerAdapter

=org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.HttpRequestHandlerAdapter,
org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.SimpleControllerHandlerAdapter,
org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.method.annotation.RequestMappingHandlerAdapter

org.springframework.web.servlet.HandlerExceptionResolver

=org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.method.annotation.ExceptionHandlerExceptionResolver, org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.annotation.ResponseStatusExceptionResolver, org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.support.DefaultHandlerExceptionResolver





org.springframework.web.servlet.RequestToViewNameTranslator

=org.springframework.web.servlet.view.DefaultRequestToViewNameTranslator

org.springframework.web.servlet.ViewResolver

=org.springframework.web.servlet.view.InternalResourceViewResolver

• org.springframework.web.servlet.FlashMapManager

=org.springframework.web.servlet.support.SessionFlashMapManager

Lesson 4 Handler Mappings







Handler Mappings

- Types of HandlerMapping Interface:
 - Interface to be implemented by objects that define a mapping between requests and handler objects.
- This class can be implemented by application developers.
- By Default if you didn't define any HandlerMapping, Spring will provide:
 - BeanNameUrlHandlerMapping
 - and RequestMappingHandlerMapping as default Handler.





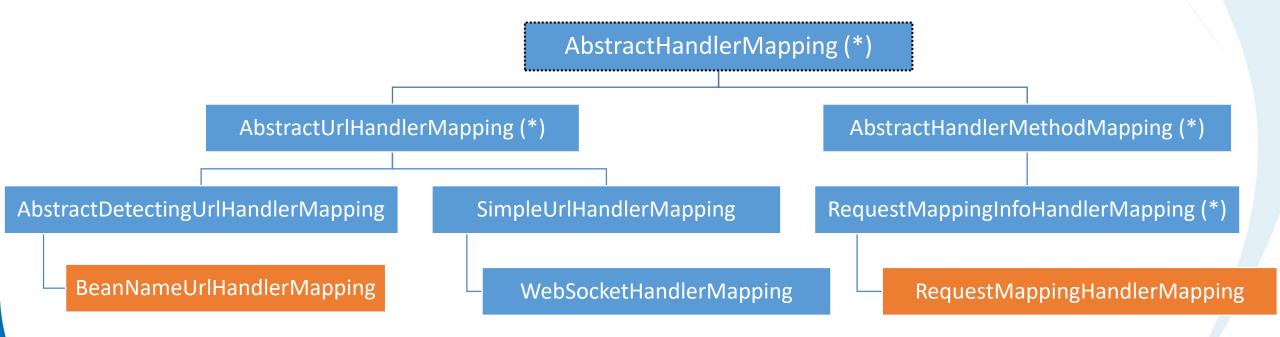
Handler Mappings (Ex.)

- The ability to parameterize this mapping is a powerful and unusual capability of this MVC framework.
 - For example, it is possible to write a custom mapping based on session state, cookie state or many other variables. No other MVC framework seems to be equally flexible.
- Note: Implementations can implement the Ordered interface to be able to specify a sorting order and thus a priority for getting applied by DispatcherServlet.
 - Non-Ordered instances get treated as lowest priority.





Handler Mappings Types



All marked with (*) you have to implement the full functionality of handler mapping you could
use it if you want to override the logic of normal handler mapping.





- So we can use:
 - AbstractDetectingUrlHandlerMapping
 - BeanNameUrlHandlerMapping
 - SimpleUrlHandlerMapping
 - WebSocketHandlerMapping
 - RequestMappingHandlerMapping
- Also if you are using older version of spring before 5 you can find:
 - ControllerClassNameHandlerMapping





- AbstractDetectingUrlHandlerMapping
- This is abstract parent that define mapping between url pattern to the controller identity.
- You can use it by:
 - Extend the AbstractDetectingUrlHandlerMapping and
 - Override protected String[] determineUrlsForHandler(String controllerId);
- Which takes the controller id and return array of string represent the keys map for this controller's URLs.





- AbstractDetectingUrlHandlerMapping
- As the following example:

```
public class MyHandlerMapping extends AbstractDetectingUrlHandlerMapping {
    @Override
    protected String[] determineUrlsForHandler(String controllerId) {
        String[] mappings = null;
        if (controllerId.equalsIgnoreCase("helloController")) {
            mappings = new String[1];
            mappings[0] = "/welcome.htm";
        }
        return mappings;
}
```

Note: Don't forget to create bean from this class.





- BeanNameUrlHandlerMapping
- One of the two default handler mapping if you didn't specify another one.
- Also you could define it explicitly as follows:

```
<bean class="org.springframework.web.servlet.handler.BeanNameUrlHandlerMapping"/>
```

- Controller mapping depends on its given name, as this name will be considered as its corresponding URL pattern.
- And you could define your controller as follows:

```
<bean name="/hello.htm"

class="com.jediver.spring.controller.HelloWorldController" />
```





- SimpleUrlHandlerMapping
- Controllers are mapped to URLs using a property collection defined in the Spring application context.
- Using this SimpleUrlHandlerMapping, you don't have to give your controller a special name.
- You can directly assign a URL pattern to your controller.
- Mappings to bean names can be set via the "mappings" property, in a form accepted by the java.util.Properties class, like as follows:
 - /welcome.html=ticketController /show.html=ticketController
- The syntax is PATH=HANDLER_BEAN_NAME. If the path doesn't begin with a slash, one is prepended.





- SimpleUrlHandlerMapping
- As the following example:





- WebSocketHandlerMapping
- An extension of SimpleUrlHandlerMapping.
- That is also a SmartLifecycle container and propagates start and stop calls to any handlers that implement Lifecycle.
- The handlers are typically expected to be WebSocketHttpRequestHandler or SockJsHttpRequestHandler.





- RequestMappingHandlerMapping
- Applied only when using annotation configuration only in mapping controllers.
- Creates RequestMappingInfo instances from type and method-level @RequestMapping annotations in @Controller classes





- ControllerClassNameHandlerMapping
- The URL pattern will be the same as the controller class name.
- Spring will automatically map controllers to URL pattern using controllers' class names.
- It Creates URL based on:
 - Drops the Controller portion (if it exists).
 - Lowercase the remaining text.
 - Add slash '/' to the beginning
 - Add .htm to the end.





- ControllerClassNameHandlerMapping
- As the following example:

• The previous example define this controller HelloWorldController will response to the URL

/helloworld.htm





Including Multiple Handler Mappings

- Including Multiple Handler Mappings In The Same Application:
- All Spring Handler Mappings implement Ordered interface.
- You can declare more than one handler mapping in the same application and set its precedence using the order property.
- You could specify the order property for HandlerMapping.
- Note:
- The lower the value of the order property, the higher the priority.





Including Multiple Handler Mappings (Ex.)

```
<bean class="org.springframework.web.servlet.handler.BeanNameUrlHandlerMapping">
   cproperty name="order" value="2"/>
</bean>
<br/>bean id="urlMapping"
     class="org.springframework.web.servlet.handler.SimpleUrlHandlerMapping">
   cproperty name="order" value="l"/>
   cproperty name="mappings">
       props>
           prop key="/welcome.htm">helloController
       </property>
</bean>
```

Lesson 5 Controllers







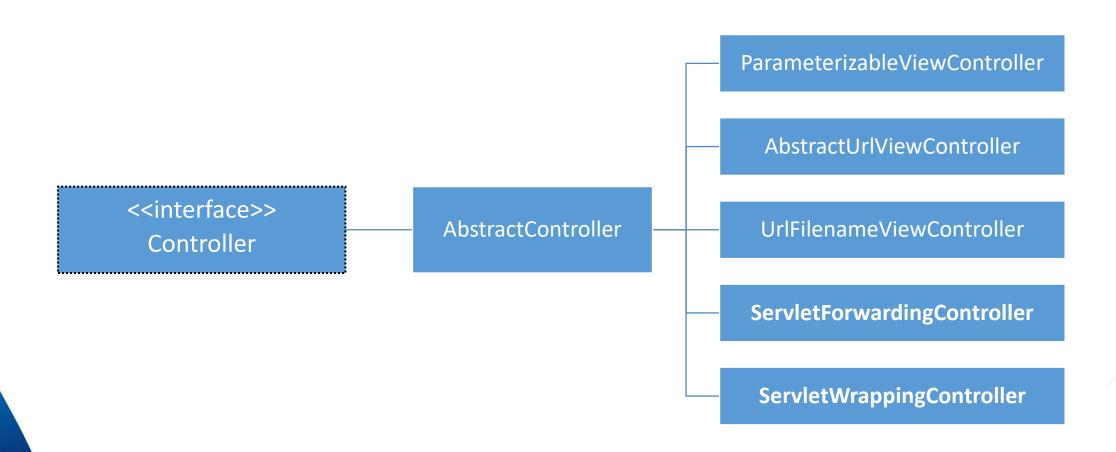
What is Controllers?

- Controllers are responsible for processing HTTP requests, composing the response objects, and passing control back to the Dispatcher Servlet.
- It is preferable that controller delegate the responsibility for business logic to the service layer.
- Almost all controllers are singletons, so they should be stateless as they handle concurrent requests.
- Spring MVC has a rich hierarchy of Controllers.





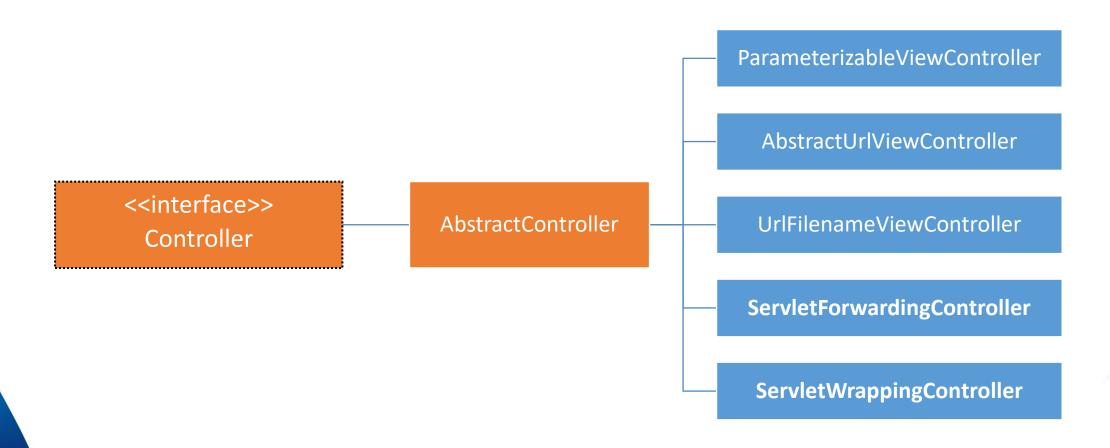
Controllers Hierarchy







Controllers Hierarchy







AbstractController

- Convenient superclass for controller implementations.
- Using the Template Method design pattern.
- If your controller require little more functionality than is afforded by basic java servlets, then you'll need a simple controller.





- Workflow:
 - handleRequest() will be called by the DispatcherServlet (through HandlerAdapter).
 - 2. Inspection of supported methods (GET, POST, .. etc)
 - (ServletException if request method is not support)
 - 3. If session is required, try to get it.
 - (ServletException if not found)
 - 4. Set caching headers if needed according to the cacheSeconds property
 - 5. Call abstract method handleRequestInternal()
 - (synchronization on HttpSession is optional)





• Exposed configuration properties:

name	default	description
supportedMethods	GET,POST	 Comma-separated (CSV) list of methods supported by this controller. such as GET, POST and PUT
requireSession	false	 Whether a session should be required for requests to be able to be handled by this controller. This ensures that derived controller can call request.getSession() to retrieve a session without fear of null pointers. If no session can be found while processing the request, a ServletException will be thrown





• Exposed configuration properties:

name	default	description
cacheSeconds	-1	 Indicates the amount of seconds to include in the cache header for the response following on this request. 0 (zero) will include headers for no caching at all. -1 (the default) will not generate any headers. Any positive number will generate headers that state the amount indicated as seconds to cache the content
synchronizeOnSession	false	 Whether the call to handleRequestInternal should be synchronized around the HttpSession, to serialize invocations from the same client. No effect if there is no HttpSession.





- There is two ways to make an extremely simple controller:
 - Implement org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.Controller interface
 - Extend org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.AbstractController class
- You can write your request handling code by overriding the method on interface and class :
 - public ModelAndView handleRequest (HttpServletRequest hsr, HttpServletResponse hsr1);
- You can write your request handling code by overriding the method on class only:
 - public ModelAndView handleRequestInternal(HttpServletRequest hsr, HttpServletResponse hsr1);





```
public class HelloWorldController implements Controller {
    @Override
    public ModelAndView handleRequest (HttpServletRequest hsr,
            HttpServletResponse hsrl) throws Exception {
        ModelAndView model = new ModelAndView("HelloWorldPage");
        model.addObject("msg", "Hello From JEDiver using Controller");
        return model:
                               public class HelloWorldController1 extends AbstractController {
                                   @Override
                                   protected ModelAndView handleRequestInternal(
                                           HttpServletRequest request,
                                           HttpServletResponse response) throws Exception {
                                       ModelAndView model = new ModelAndView("HelloWorldPage");
                                       model.addObject("msg", "Hello From JEDiver using AbstractController");
                                       return model:
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```





What is ModelAndView?

- Holder for both Model and View in the web MVC framework.
- Note that these are entirely distinct.
 - This class merely holds both to make it possible for a controller to return both model and view in a single return value.
- Represents a model and view returned by a handler adapter, to be resolved by a DispatcherServlet.
- The controller builds up the objects that make up the response (the Model) and chooses which View display next.
- Class org.springframework.web.servlet.ModelAndView





What is ModelAndView? (Ex.)

- The view can take the form of:
 - A String view name which will need to be resolved by a ViewResolver object.
 - A View object can be specified directly.
 - The model is a Map, allowing the use of multiple objects keyed by name.
- The Model is a Map, allowing the use of multiple objects keyed by name.





What is ModelAndView? (Ex.)

- Useful Constructors:
- ModelAndView()
 - Default constructor for bean-style usage: populating bean properties instead of passing in constructor arguments.
- ModelAndView (String viewName)
 - Convenient constructor when there is no model data to expose.
- ModelAndView (String viewName, HttpStatus status)
 - Create a new ModelAndView given a view name and HTTP status.
- ModelAndView (String viewName, Map<String,?> model)
 - Create a new ModelAndView given a view name and a model.





What is ModelAndView? (Ex.)

- Useful Constructors:
- ModelAndView (String viewName, Map<String,?> model, HttpStatus status)
 - Create a new ModelAndView given a view name, model, and HTTP status.
- ModelAndView (String viewName, String modelName, Object modelObject)
 - Convenient constructor to take a single model object.
- ModelAndView (View view)
 - Convenient constructor when there is no model data to expose.
- ModelAndView (View view, Map<String,?> model)
 - Create a new ModelAndView given a View object and a model.





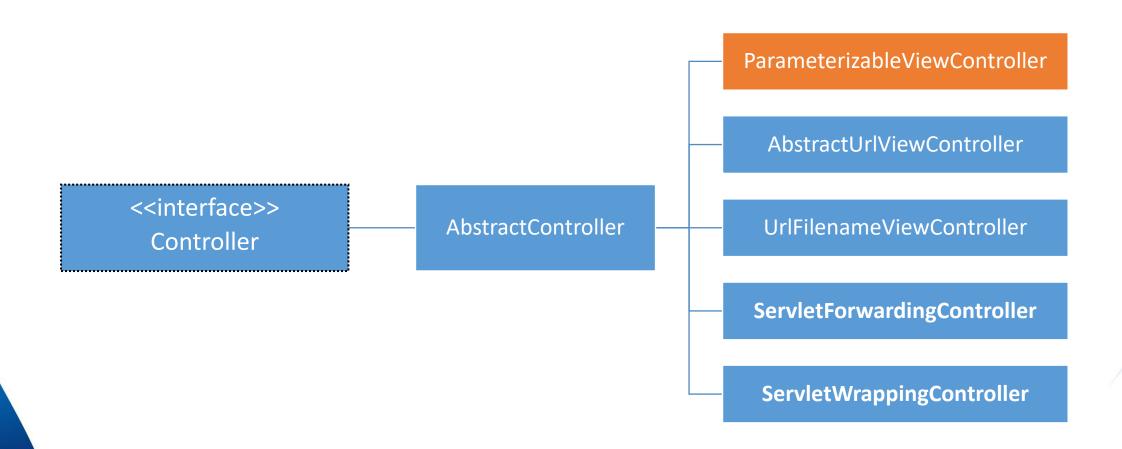
Static Resources

- We have a challenge to deal with static resources as:
 - Based on the request life cycle we have to submit our request to controller then controller provide the logical view name for me.
- We will have an overhead of defining controller classes to just provide me with the logical name.
- So Spring provide us an abstracted ways to do that using:
 - ParameterizableViewController
 - AbstractUrlViewController
 - UrlFilenameViewController





Controllers Hierarchy







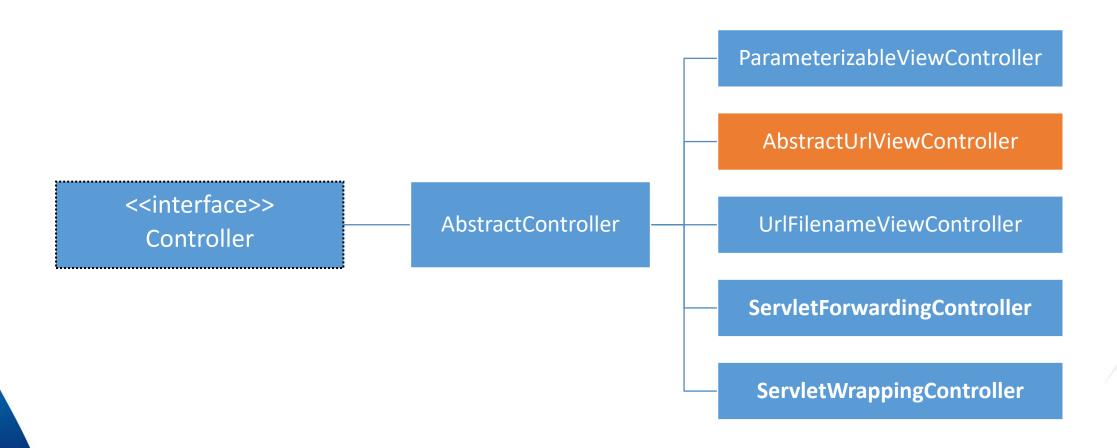
ParameterizableViewController

- Trivial controller that always returns
 - A pre-configured view.
 - Optionally sets the response status code.
- The view and status can be configured using the provided configuration properties.
- As following:





Controllers Hierarchy







AbstractUrlViewController

- Abstract base class for Controllers that return a view name based on the request URL.
- Provides infrastructure for determining view names from URLs and configurable URL lookup.
- We can use it by define class that extend AbstractUrlViewController and override
 - protected String getViewNameForRequest(HttpServletRequest httpServletRequest); Method
 - That takes your request and provide the logical name of view.
- Also don't forget to create your bean definition in application context.





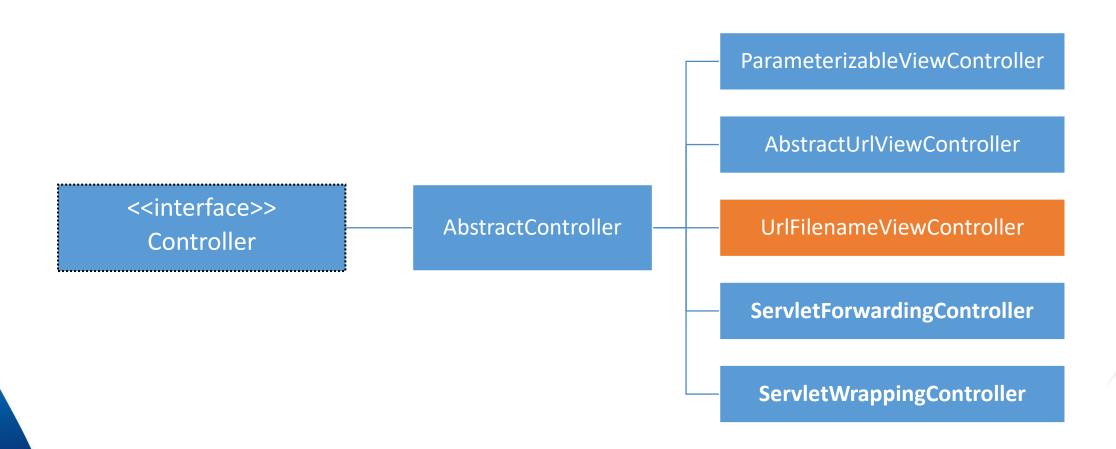
AbstractUrlViewController (Ex.)

```
public class HelloWorldController2 extends AbstractUrlViewController {
    @Override
    protected String getViewNameForRequest(HttpServletRequest httpServletRequest) {
        String viewName = null;
          String requestPath = httpServletRequest.getRequestURI()
                  .substring(httpServletRequest.getContextPath().length());
        String requestPath = new UrlPathHelper()
                .getPathWithinApplication(httpServletReguest);
        System.out.println(requestPath);
        if (requestPath.equals("/hello2.htm")) {
            viewName = "HelloWorldPage2";
        return viewName:
```





Controllers Hierarchy







UrlFilenameViewController

- public class UrlFilenameViewController extends AbstractUrlViewController
- Simple Controller implementation that transforms the virtual path of a URL into a view name and returns that view.
- Also we Can optionally prepend a prefix and/or append a suffix to build the viewname.
- Find some examples below:
- "/index" ---> "index"
- "/index.html" ---> "index"
- "/products/view.html" ---> "products/view"
- "/index.html" + prefix "pre_" + suffix "_suf" ---> "pre_index_suf"





UrlFilenameViewController (Ex.)

First We declare a bean definition from UrlFilenameViewController.

- Then don't forget to map this controller with an url:
- Note: We could map the same bean definition with many mapped URLs as needed.





UrlFilenameViewController (Ex.)

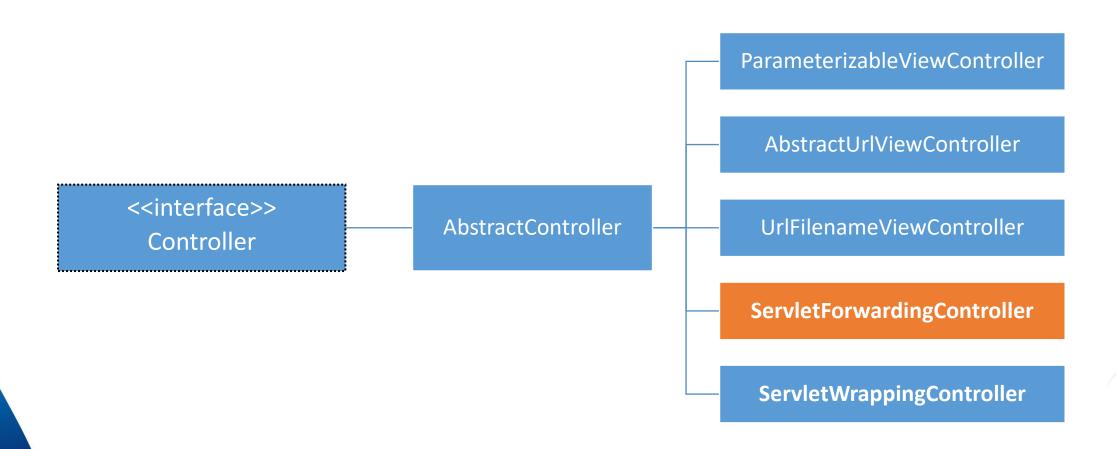
Another example using Prefix:

```
<bean name="adminLinks"</pre>
      class="org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.UrlFilenameViewController"
      p:prefix="/admin/"/>
<bean name="userLinks"</pre>
      class="org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.UrlFilenameViewController"
      p:prefix="/user/"/>
                          <bean id="urlMapping"
                                class="org.springframework.web.servlet.handler.SimpleUrlHandlerMapping">
                              cproperty name="order" value="l"/>
                              cproperty name="mappings">
                                  props>
                                     prop key="/adminHome.htm">adminLinks
                                     cprop key="/adminContact.htm">adminLinks
                                     prop kev="/userHome.htm">userLinks
                                     cprop key="/userContact.htm">userLinks
                                  </property>
        ITI – JETS © All Rights Reserved </bean>
```





Controllers Hierarchy







ServletForwardingController

- public class ServletForwardingController extends AbstractController implements BeanNameAware
- Spring Controller implementation that forwards to a named servlet.
 - i.e. the "servlet-name" in web.xml rather than a URL path mapping.
- A target servlet doesn't even need a "servlet-mapping" in web.xml in the first place: A "servlet" declaration is sufficient.
- Useful to invoke an existing servlet via Spring's dispatching infrastructure.
- For example to apply Spring HandlerInterceptors to its requests. This will work even in a minimal Servlet container that does not support Servlet filters.





ServletForwardingController (Ex.)

We need only to declare servlet instance in web.xml without any mapping (optional).

Then you define the spring controller that is linked with this servlet.





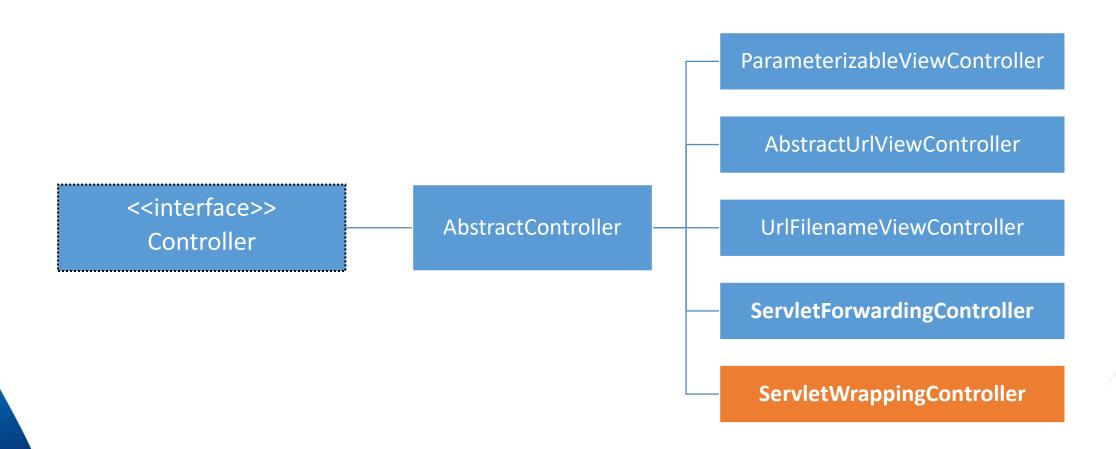
ServletForwardingController (Ex.)

Finally map your controller through your handler mapping.





Controllers Hierarchy







ServletWrappingController

- public class ServletWrappingController extends AbstractController
 implements BeanNameAware, InitializingBean, DisposableBean
- Spring Controller implementation that wraps a servlet instance which it manages internally.
- Such a wrapped servlet is not known outside of this controller.
- Its entire lifecycle is covered here (in contrast to ServletForwardingController).
- Useful to invoke an existing servlet via Spring's dispatching infrastructure, for example to apply Spring HandlerInterceptors to its requests.





ServletWrappingController (Ex.)

• Note:

- For Example Struts has a special requirement in that it parses web.xml to find its servlet mapping.
- Therefore, you need to specify the DispatcherServlet's servlet name as "servletName" on this controller, so that Struts finds the DispatcherServlet's mapping (thinking that it refers to the ActionServlet).





ServletWrappingController (Ex.)

We need only to declare servlet instance in beans definition in spring context.

```
<bean id="myServletWrappingController"
     class="org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.ServletWrappingController">
   cproperty name="servletClass">
       <value>com.jediver.spring.servlet.ProfileServlet
   </property>
   cproperty name="servletName">
       <value>ProfileServlet2
   </property>
   cproperty name="initParameters">
       props>
           prop key="name">JEDiver>
       </property>
</bean>
```





ServletWrappingController (Ex.)

Finally map your controller through your handler mapping.





Exception Handling

- Spring MVC provides support to handle exceptions using SimpleMappingExceptionResolver
 which allows mapping exception class names to view names.
- SimpleMappingExceptionResolver handles any java.lang.Exceptions thrown from Spring MVC controllers.

Lesson 6 View Resolvers

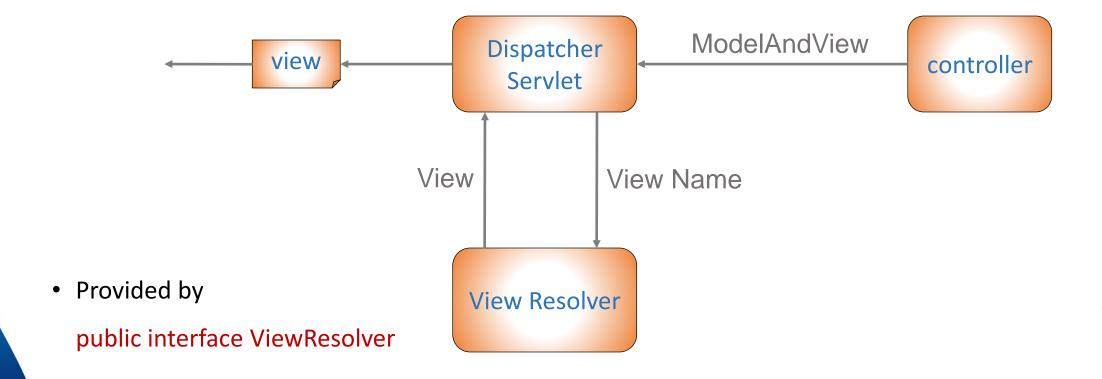






View Resolvers

• Are used to know how the logical view name is used to determine which view will render the results to the user.







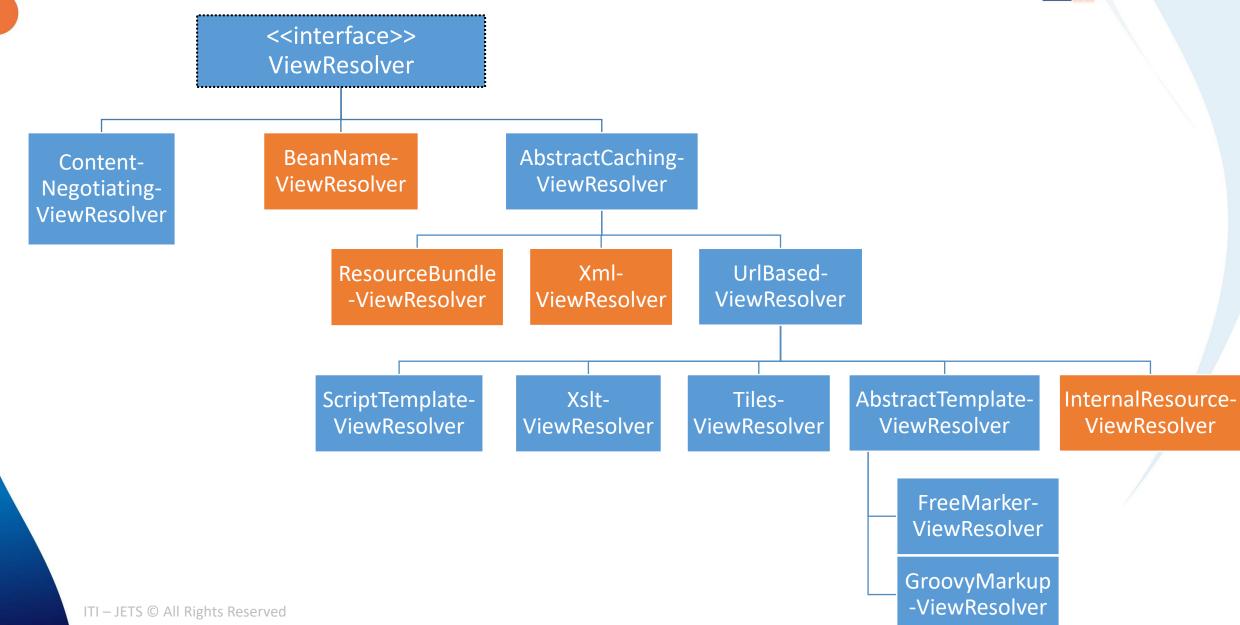
Interface ViewResolver

- Interface to be implemented by objects that can resolve views by name.
- View state doesn't change during the running of the application, so implementations are free to cache views.
- Implementations are encouraged to support internationalization, i.e. localized view resolution.



Types of View Resolvers









Types of View Resolvers

name	description
InternalResourceViewResolver	 Taking the logical view name returned in a ModelAndView object and surrounding it with a prefix and a suffix to arrive at the path of a View within the web application.
BeanNameViewResolver	 Looks up implementations of the View interface as beans in the Spring context, assuming that the bean name is the logical view name.
ResourceBundleViewResolver	 Uses a resource bundle (e.g., a properties file) that maps logical view names to implementations of the View interface
XmlViewResolver	 Resolves View beans from an XML file that is defined separately from the application context definition files





InternalResourceViewResolver

- Convenient subclass of UrlBasedViewResolver that supports InternalResourceView
 - i.e. Servlets, JSPs and subclasses such as JstlView.
- The view class for all views generated by this resolver can be specified via UrlBasedViewResolver.setViewClass(java.lang.Class<?>).
- The default is InternalResourceView, or JstlView if the JSTL API is present.
- It's good practice to put JSP files that just serve as views under WEB-INF, to hide them from direct access (e.g. via a manually entered URL).
- Only controllers will be able to access them then.





InternalResourceViewResolver (Ex.)

- InternalResourceViewResolver will produce resource name based on:
- Prefix + Logical View Name + Suffix
- The default values for Prefix is "" and for suffix ""





BeanNameViewResolver

- A simple implementation of ViewResolver that interprets a view name as a bean name in the current application context.
- This resolver can be handy for small applications, keeping all definitions ranging from controllers to views in the same place.
- For larger applications, XmlViewResolver will be the better choice, as it separates the XML view bean definitions into a dedicated views file.
- Note:
- Neither this ViewResolver nor XmlViewResolver supports internationalization. Consider ResourceBundleViewResolver if you need to apply different view resources per locale.





BeanNameViewResolver (Ex.)

- Note:
- This ViewResolver implements the Ordered interface in order to allow for flexible participation in ViewResolver chaining.
- First you define the BeanNameViewResolver in your application context.

```
<bean id="viewResolver"

class="org.springframework.web.servlet.view.BeanNameViewResolver"/>
```

Then define your custom view in xml

```
<bean id="customView"

class="com.jediver.spring.view.MyCustomView"/>
```

The result is the logical view name which will be referred from controller is "customView".



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XmlViewResolver

- A ViewResolver implementation that uses bean definitions in a dedicated XML file for view definitions, specified by resource location.
- The file will typically be located in the WEB-INF directory; the default is "/WEB-INF/views.xml".
- This ViewResolver does not support internationalization at the level of its definition resources.
- Consider ResourceBundleViewResolver if you need to apply different view resources per locale.





XmlViewResolver (Ex.)

Inside views.xml

And define your XmlViewResolver in your spring context





ResourceBundleViewResolver

- A ViewResolver implementation that uses bean definitions in a ResourceBundle, specified by the bundle basename.
- The bundle is typically defined in a properties file, located in the classpath. The default bundle basename is "views".
- This ViewResolver supports localized view definitions, using the default support of PropertyResourceBundle.
 - For example, the basename "views" will be resolved as class path resources "views_de_AT.properties",
 "views_de.properties", "views.properties" for a given Locale "de_AT".





ResourceBundleViewResolver (Ex.)

• Inside viewsProperties.properties

```
customView.class=com.jediver.spring.view.MyCustomView
```

And define your XmlViewResolver in your spring context





Multiple View Resolvers

- Fortunately, you aren't limited for choosing only one view resolver for your application.
- To use multiple view resolvers, simply declare all the view resolvers you will need in the spring context configuration file.
- Spring determine which resolver has priority over the others by the value of the order property in each view resolver.
- InternalResourceViewResolver always needs to be last, as it will attempt to resolve any view name, no matter whether the underlying resource actually.





Multiple View Resolvers (Ex.)

```
<bean id="viewResolver"</pre>
      class="org.springframework.web.servlet.view.BeanNameViewResolver">
    cproperty name="order" value="1"/>
</bean>
<bean id="viewResolverl"</pre>
      class="org.springframework.web.servlet.view.XmlViewResolver">
    cproperty name="location">
        <value>/WEB-INF/spring/views.xml</value>
    </property>
    cproperty name="order" value="2"/>
</bean>
<bean id="viewResolver2"</pre>
      class="org.springframework.web.servlet.view.InternalResourceViewResolver" >
    cproperty name="prefix">
        <value>/WEB-INF/pages/</value>
    </property>
    cproperty name="suffix">
        <value>.jsp</value>
    </property>
    cproperty name="order" value="3"/>
</bean>
```

Lesson 7 Views







What is a View?

- The View class is responsible for rendering the response from a Controller.
- Spring MVC supports many different view rendering technologies, including:
 - JSP and JSTL
 - PDF
 - Excel





Using JSP as a View

Binding form data

Displaying errors

Externalizing text

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Binding form data

- Binding form data is to tell Spring which properties of the command object to populate with the form data when the form is submitted.
- Before Spring 2.0 we used the <spring:bind> Tag for binding form data;
- After Spring 2.0 there is another Tag library specialized in handling the form data binding, it is the Form Tag library.

<%@taglib prefix="form" uri="http://www.springframework.org/tags/form"%>





Binding form data (Ex.)

```
<%@taglib prefix="form" uri="http://www.springframework.org/tags/form"%>
<html>
    <body>
        <form:form method="POST" action="register.htm" commandName="user">
            <br/>
<br/>
<br/>
d> User Name:</b>
            <form:input path="name" />
            <br/>
            <b> Salary:</b>
            <form:input path="salary" />
            <br/>
            <input type="submit"/>
        </form:form>
    </body>
</html>
```



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Displaying binding errors

- When a field's value is rejected during validation, an error message code is associated with the field in the Errors object.
- The <form:errors> tag looks for any error message codes associated with the field (which is specified with the path attribute) and then tries to resolve those messages from an external properties file.
- We could put the error messages in the same messages file as the other externalized messages or put them in a separate properties file.
- We could also catch all errors by <form:errors path="*"/>





Displaying binding errors (Ex.)

```
<%@taglib prefix="form" uri="http://www.springframework.org/tags/form"%>
<html>
    <body>
        <form:form method="POST" action="register.htm" commandName="user">
             <br/>
<br/>
d> User Name:</b>
             <form:input path="name" />
             <form:errors path="name"/>
             <br/>
             <b> Salary:</b>
             <form:input path="salary" />
             <form:errors path="salary"/>
             \langle br/ \rangle
             <input type="submit"/>
        </form:form>
    </body>
</html>
```



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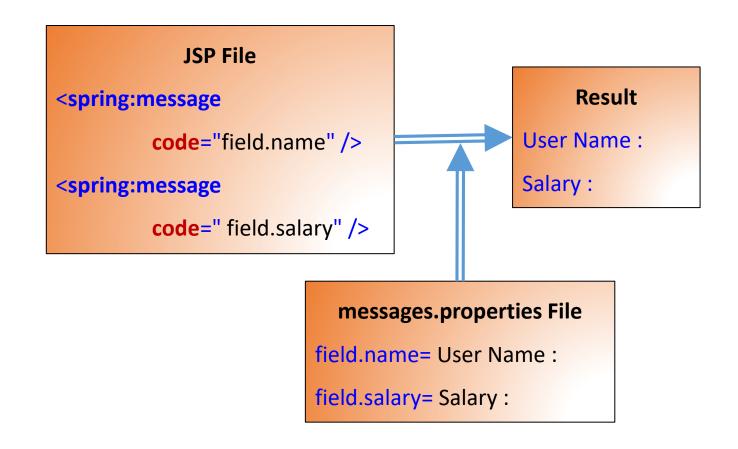
Externalizing text

- Keep Static text consistence among different pages.
- Easy to change.
- Internationalization support.
- You can use the externalized messages by passing the message code to <spring:message>'s code attribute.
- To use the <spring:message> tag, you must import the spring tag library as follows:

```
<%@taglib prefix="spring" uri="http://www.springframework.org/tags"%>
```











- Spring's ResourceBundleMessageSource resolves message codes to actual message values.
- It has to be registered in the spring context for example as follows:

- It's important to name the bean with "messageSource" because that's the name Spring will use to look for a message source.
- The basename property determine the name of the properties file the massages is externalized in.
- In this case /WEB-INF/classes/messages.properties





• If we want to put the error massages in separate properties file we have to change some settings in the messageSource declaration to make it accept multiple files





```
<%@taglib prefix="form" uri="http://www.springframework.org/tags/form"%>
<%@taglib prefix="spring" uri="http://www.springframework.org/tags"%>
<html>
    <body>
        <form:form method="POST" action="register.htm" commandName="user">
            <b><spring:message code="field.username"/></b>
            <form:input path="name" />
            <form:errors path="name"/>
            <br/>br/>
            <b><spring:message code="field.salary"/></b>
            <form:input path="salary" />
            <form:errors path="salary"/>
            <br/>
            <input type="submit"/>
        </form:form>
    </body>
</html>
```



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Internationalization

- One of the benefits of message externalization is that it facilitates the internationalization.
- From the previous example if you want to add support for Arabic language all you need is to write another properties file with the name "messages_ar_EG.properties" and save it in the path "/WEB-INF/classes/" you don't even want to add more setting

Messages_ar_EG.properties File

اسم المستخدم: =field.username

المرتب: =field.salary





Define Custom view using View Interface

- MVC View for a web interaction.
- Implementations are responsible for rendering content, and exposing the model.
- A single view exposes multiple model attributes.
- This class and the MVC approach associated with it is discussed in details in Chapter 12 of Expert One-On-One J2EE Design and Development by Rod Johnson (Wrox, 2002).
- Views should be beans. They are likely to be instantiated as beans by a ViewResolver. As this interface is stateless, view implementations should be thread-safe.





Define Custom view using View Interface (Ex.)

- First we define our class that:
 - Implement View interface
 - Override public String getContentType();
 - To provide the response content type you want to produce.
 - Override public void render(Map<String, ?> model, HttpServletRequest request,

HttpServletResponse response) throws Exception;

Model Data, request and response sent to your custom view to perform your business code.





Define Custom view using View Interface (Ex.

```
public class MyCustomView implements View {
    @Override
    public String getContentType() {
        return "text/html":
    @Override
    public void render(Map<String, ?> model, HttpServletRequest request,
            HttpServletResponse response) throws Exception {
        response.setContentType(getContentType());
        PrintWriter writer = response.getWriter();
        writer.println("This is my custom dummy view.<br/>");
        writer.println("<h3>Model attributes</h3>");
        for (Map. Entry < String, ?> entry : model.entrySet()) {
            writer.printf("%s = %s<br/>", entry.getKey(), entry.getValue());
```





Define Custom view using AbstractPdfView

- Spring Also provide some implementations for view interface by default in case of you want to use:
- For Example spring provide AbstractPdfView as custom view to produce pdf by integrate with third party API called "itext".
- So first import the dependency of this library:



Define Custom view using AbstractPdfView (Ex.)

- First we define our class that:
 - Implement org.springframework.web.servlet.view.document.AbstractPdfView
 - Override protected void buildPdfDocument(Map<String, Object> model, Document document,

PdfWriter writer, HttpServletRequest hsr, HttpServletResponse hsr1)

throws Exception;

• Model Data, reference to the output pdf document file, pdf writer instance to use (optional), request and response sent to your custom view to perform your business code.



Define Custom view using AbstractPdfView (Ex.)

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```
public class PdfCustomView extends AbstractPdfView {
    @Override
    protected void buildPdfDocument (Map<String, Object> model, Document document,
            PdfWriter writer, HttpServletRequest hsr,
            HttpServletResponse hsrl) throws Exception {
       List<User> users = (List<User>) model.get("users");
        Table table = new Table(4);
        table.addCell("Counter #");
        table.addCell("User Id");
        table.addCell("User Name");
        table.addCell("user Salary");
        for (int i = 0; i < users.size(); i++) {
            User user = users.get(i);
            table.addCell("" + i + 1);
            table.addCell("" + user.getId());
            table.addCell(user.getName());
            table.addCell("" + user.getSalary());
        document.add(table);
```

Lesson 8 Using Annotations







- The target of using annotation is to simplify the lifecycle configuration for request.
- Spring Configuration under version 5:
- The default URLHandlerMapping that can read @RequestMapping and other Annotation is org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.annotation.DefaultAnnotationHandlerMapping
- So to enable spring context to read the annotation configuration of MVC e.g. @RequestMapping, you must declare the DefaultAnnotationHandlerMapping to enable you to use spring mvc annotations which is deprecated and replaced by RequestMappingHandlerMapping.
- You can do so explicitly as follows:

```
<bean
```

class="org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.annotation.DefaultAnnotationHandlerMapping" />





• Or Spring MVC provide namespace for MVC so you can import it by springmvc namespace:

```
xmlns:mvc="http://www.springframework.org/schema/mvc"
xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/
http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd
http://www.springframework.org/schema/mvc
http://www.springframework.org/schema/mvc/spring-mvc.xsd"
```

 <annotation-driven> Tag by using this tag it implicitly create bean of DefaultAnnotationHandlerMapping.

```
<mvc:annotation-driven />
```





- Spring Configuration starting from version 5:
- The DefaultAnnotationHandlerMapping has been removed.
- The default URLHandlerMapping that can read @RequestMapping and other Annotation is org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.method.annotation.RequestMappingHandlerMapping
- So to enable spring context to read the annotation configuration of MVC e.g. @RequestMapping, you must declare the RequestMappingHandlerMapping to enable you to use spring mvc annotations.
- You can do so explicitly as follows:

```
<bean
```

class="org.springframework.web.servlet.mvc.method.annotation.RequestMappingHandlerMapping" />





• If you use the <annotation-driven> Tag by using this tag it doesn't create bean of

RequestMappingHandlerMapping.

```
<mvc:annotation-driven />
```

 But still we need to declare it because this tag also define the HandlerAdapter that used to handle the request.





- Or if you make your configuration annotation based using @Configuration so you use annotation called "@EnableWebMvc" which is enable spring MVC annotations and also define bean of RequestMappingHandlerMapping.
- We use it as the following example:

```
@Configuration
@EnableWebMvc
public class ApplicationConfiguration {
```





Define Controllers

• To define a controller for static resource as you defined in ParameterizableViewController, We can use <mvc:view-controller> tag to register controller that selects a view for rendering.

```
<mvc:view-controller path="/contactUs.htm" view-name="contactUs" />
```

- In this case, when "/contactUs.htm" is requested, the controller will respond with the logical name of view "contactUs".
- The actual view is defined as normal by ViewResolver as we discussed in lessons before.
- E.g. if we use InternalResourceViewResolver, so the physical name is prefix + logicalName + suffix.





Define Controllers (Ex.)

- To define a controller for your dynamic resource by define normal class and annotate it with Spring MVC annotations.
- Either by xml bean definition:
- The Controller Class:

```
@RequestMapping("/register.htm")
public class UserController {
```

The XML Bean Definition:

```
<bean
class="com.jediver.spring.controller.UserController" />
```





Define Controllers (Ex.)

- 2. Either by annotation bean definition:
- The Controller Class:

```
@Controller
@RequestMapping("/register.htm")
public class UserController {
```

• The XML Bean Definition:

<context:component-scan base-package="com.jediver.spring"/>



Mapping Requests With @RequestMapping

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- The @RequestMapping annotation is used to map URLs Such as "/displayall.htm" on:
 - Either on EntireClass

```
@Controller
@RequestMapping("/displayall.htm")
public class UserController {
    @Autowired
    private UserService userService;
    @RequestMapping(method = RequestMethod.GET)
    public String displayAllUsers(Model data) {
        List<User> users = userService.getAllUsers();
        data.addAttribute("users", users);
        return "displayAll";
```





- The @RequestMapping annotation is used to map URLs Such as "/displayall.htm" on:
 - Or on a particular handler method.

```
@Controller
public class UserController {
    @Autowired
    private UserService userService;
    @RequestMapping(value = "/displayall.htm",
            method = RequestMethod.GET)
    public String displayAllUsers(Model data) {
        List<User> users = userService.getAllUsers();
        data.addAttribute("users", users);
        return "displayAll";
```





Also you can mix between using @RequestMapping on Both levels.

• The @RequestMapping on the class level in this type represent a relative path which indicates that

all handling methods on this controller are relative to this path.





```
@Controller
@RequestMapping("/admin/users")
public class UserController {
    @Autowired
    private UserService userService:
    @RequestMapping(value = "/getUsers", method = RequestMethod.GET)
    public String displayAllUsers(Model data) {
        List<User> users = userService.getAllUsers();
                                                                         Serve requests by URL:
        data.addAttribute("users", users);
        return "displayAll";
    @RequestMapping(value = "/getUser", method = RequestMethod. GET)
    public String displayUser(@RequestParam("userId") Integer id, Model data) {
        User user = userService.qetUser(id);
        data.addAttribute("users", user);
        return "displayAll";
```





• The previous @RequestMapping example methods serve requests with GET Method.

• If you didn't specify method attribute for annotation so they supports all your requests regardless

method type.

• You can force your controller to serve only requests with specific method type (i.e GET or POST)





```
@Controller
@RequestMapping("/admin/users")
                                                 Serve requests with
public class UserController {
                                                any method by URL.
    @Autowired
    private UserService userService;
    @RequestMapping(value = "/getUsers")
    public String displayAllUsers(Model data) {
        List<User> users = userService.getAllUsers();
                                                                                  Serve requests with
        data.addAttribute("users", users);
                                                                                  iny method by URL.
        return "displayAll";
    @RequestMapping(value = "/getUser")
    public String displayUser(@RequestParam("userId") Integer id, Model data)
        User user = userService.qetUser(id);
        data.addAttribute("users", user);
        return "displayAll";
```



Advanced @RequestMapping Options (Params)



You can narrow request matching through request parameter conditions.

For Example:

params= "myParam"

===> Check for the presence of specific parameter.

• params= "!myParam"

===> Check for the absence of specific parameter.

• params= "myParam=myValue"

===> Check for specific parameter value.





Advanced @RequestMapping Options (Params) (Example)

```
Serve requests by URL:
@Controller
@RequestMapping("/admin/users")
public class UserController {
    @Autowired
   private UserService userService:
    @RequestMapping(value = "/getUser", method = RequestMethod.GET, params = "userId")
   public String displayUser(@RequestParam("userId") Integer id, Model data) {
                                                                                    Serve requests by
        User user = userService.getUser(id);
        data.addAttribute("users", user);
                                                                                   /admin/users/getUser
        return "displayAll";
    @RequestMapping(value = "/getUser", method = RequestMethod.GET, params = "!userId")
    public String displayUser2(@RequestParam(name = "userId", defaultValue = "1") Integer id, Model data) {
        User user = userService.getUser(id);
        data.addAttribute("users", user);
        return "displayAll";
```



Advanced @RequestMapping Options (Headers)



You can narrow request matching through request header conditions.

• For Example:

headers= "myHeader"

===> Check for the presence of specific header.

headers= "!myHeader"

===> Check for the absence of specific header.

headers= "headerName=myValue"

===> Check for specific header value.



Advanced @RequestMapping Options (Headers) (Example)

```
Serve requests with
@Controller
                                                  header called userId by
@RequestMapping("/admin/users")
public class UserController {
                                                 /admin/users/getUser
    @Autowired
   private UserService userService;
   @RequestMapping(value = "/getUser", method = RequestMethod.GET, headers = "userId")
   public String displayUser(@RequestHeader("userId") Integer id, Model data) {
                                                                                           Serve requests
        User user = userService.getUser(id);
                                                                                        without header called
        data.addAttribute("users", user);
                                                                                          userId by URL:
        return "displayAll";
                                                                                       /admin/users/getUser
    @RequestMapping(value = "/getUser", method = RequestMethod. GET, headers = "!userId")
   public String displayUser2(@RequestHeader(name = "userId", defaultValue = "1") Integer id, Model data) {
        User user = userService.getUser(id);
        data.addAttribute("users", user);
        return "displayAll";
```





URI Template Patterns

- A URI Template is a URI-like string, containing one or more variable names.
- When you substitute values for these variables, the template becomes a URI
- For example,
 - The URI Template
 - http://www.example.com/admin/users/{userId} contains the variable userId.
 - Assigning the value 10 to the variable yields
 - To be accessed with http://www.example.com/admin/users/10.
- In Spring MVC you can use the @PathVariable annotation on a method argument to bind it to the value of a URI template variable.
- A method can have any number of @PathVariable annotations





URI Template Patterns (Example)

```
@Controller
@RequestMapping("/admin/users")
public class UserController {
    @Autowired
   private UserService userService;
    @RequestMapping(value = "/{userId}", method = RequestMethod.GET)
    public String displayUser(@PathVariable("userId") Integer id, Model data) {
        User user = userService.getUser(id);
        data.addAttribute("users", user);
        return "displayAll";
```



Defining @RequestMapping handler methods

- An @RequestMapping handler method can have a very flexible signatures.
- There are supported:
 - Method arguments.
 - Return values.
- You can define as much as you want in same controller class.



- HttpServletRequest / HttpServletResponse
 - Request or response objects (Servlet API)
- HttpSession
 - Session object (Servlet API): of type HttpSession
- java.util.Locale
 - The current request locale
- java.io.InputStream / java.io.Reader
 - Input stream instance for access to the request's content
- java.io.OutputStream / java.io.Writer
 - Output stream instance for generating the response's content



- java.security.Principal
 - Containing the currently authenticated user
- java.util.Map / org.springframework.ui.Model
 - Map or model instance represent the model object that will be passed to view after controllers finished.
- Command or form objects
 - To bind request parameters to bean properties
- org.springframework.validation.Errors
 - An instance of errors that contains all errors of binding and validation errors.
- org.springframework.validation.BindingResult
 - An instance of errors that contains all errors of binding errors only.
- org.springframework.web.bind.support.SessionStatus



- @RequestParam annotated parameters
 - For access to specific Servlet request parameters
- @PathVariable annotated parameters
 - For access to URI template variables
- @RequestHeader annotated parameters
 - For access to specific Servlet request HTTP headers
- @RequestBody annotated parameters
 - For access to the HTTP request body
- @RequestPart annotated parameters
 - For access to the content of a "multipart/form-data" request part.



- A ModelAndView object
- A Model object
- A Map object for exposing a model
- A View object
- A String value that is interpreted as the logical view name.
- void
- Any other return type is considered to be a single model attribute to be exposed to the view
- Note:
 - If the method is annotated with @ResponseBody, the return type is written to the response HTTP body



Binding request parameters With @RequestParam

• The @RequestParam annotation is used to bind request parameters to a method parameter in a controller.

```
@RequestMapping(method = RequestMethod.GET, params = "userId")
public String displayUser1(@RequestParam("userId") Integer id, Model data) {
    User user = userService.getUser(id);
    data.addAttribute("users", user);
    return "displayAll";
}
```



Binding request parameters With @PathVariable

• The @PathVariable annotation is used to bind request parameters based on URI to a method parameter in a controller.

```
@RequestMapping(value = "/{userId}", method = RequestMethod.GET)
public String displayUser2(@PathVariable("userId") Integer id, Model data) {
    User user = userService.getUser(id);
    data.addAttribute("users", user);
    return "displayAll";
}
```



Binding request parameters With @RequestBody

• The @RequestBody annotation is used to indicates that a method parameter should be bound to the value of the HTTP request body.

```
@RequestMapping(value = "/writeData", method = RequestMethod.PUT)
public void handle(@RequestBody String body, Writer writer) throws IOException {
    writer.write(body);
}
```



Mapping the response body with the @ResponseBody



- The @ResponseBody annotation is similar to @RequestBody
- This annotation can be put on a method and indicates that the return type should be written straight to the HTTP response body (and not placed in a Model, or interpreted as a view name).

```
@ResponseBody
@RequestMapping(value = "/getUserJson", method = RequestMethod.GET, params = "userId")
public String displayUser3(@RequestParam("userId") Integer id, Model data) {
    User user = userService.getUser(id);
    return user.toJson();
}
```



Accessing Model Data With @ModelAttribute

- When @ModelAttribute is placed on a method parameter, it maps a model attribute to the specific, annotated method parameter.
- This is how the controller gets a reference to the object holding the data entered in the form.

```
@RequestMapping(value = "register", method = RequestMethod.POST)
public String processSubmit(@ModelAttribute("user") User user) {
    userService.addUser(user);
    return "userAdded";
}
```



Mapping cookie values with the @CookieValue

• The @CookieValue annotation allows a method parameter to be bound to the value of an HTTP cookie.





Mapping request header attributes with the @RequestHeader

• The @RequestHeader annotation allows a method parameter to be bound to a request header.

Host localhost:8080

Accept text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9

Accept-Language fr,en-gb;q=0.7,en;q=0.3

Accept-Encoding gzip,deflate

Accept-Charset ISO-8859-1,utf-8;q=0.7,*;q=0.7

Keep-Alive

300





Form Processing

- Working with forms in a web application involves two operations:
 - Displaying the form
 - Processing the form submission
- We need to handle those two operations using controllers.
- The two operations can be handled in one controller with two handler methods.





- Displaying Form:
- When the form is displayed, it'll need a model object to bind to the form fields and hold data.
- createNewUser() method simply creates a new instance of a Customer and adds it to the model. It then wraps up by returning signup as the logical name of the view that will render the form.

```
@RequestMapping(value = "/register", method = RequestMethod.GET)
public String createNewUser(Model model) {
    model.addAttribute(new User());
    return "formView";
}
```





- Creating View:
- The view will be a jsp page which uses Spring's form binding library
- Also commandName is removed in version 5 and replaced with modelAttribute

```
<%@page contentType="text/html" pageEncoding="UTF-8"%>
<%@taglib prefix="c" uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/jstl/core"%>
<%@taglib prefix="form" uri="http://www.springframework.org/tags/form"%>
<%@taglib prefix="spring" uri="http://www.springframework.org/tags"%>
<html>
    <body>
        <c:set var="contextPath" value="${pageContext.request.contextPath}"/>
        <form:form method="POST" modelAttribute="user"</pre>
                   action="${contextPath}/admin/users/register.htm" >
            <b><spring:message code="field.username"/></b>
            <form:input path="name" />
            <form:errors path="name"/>
            <br/>
            <b><spring:message code="field.salary"/></b>
            <form:input path="salary" />
            <form:errors path="salary"/>
            <br/>
            <input type="submit"/>
        </form:form>
    </body>
</html>
```





- Creating View:
- The <form:form> tag binds the User object (identified by the modelAttribute instead of commandName attribute)
- The <form:input> tag has a path attribute that references the property of the User object that the
 form is bound to.
- When the form is submitted, whatever values these fields contain will be placed into a User object and submitted to the server for processing.
- With no URL specified as form action, it'll be submitted back to the same URL path that displayed the form.





- Processing Form Input:
- After the form is submitted, we'll need a handler method that takes a User object (populated with data from the form) and saves it.

```
@RequestMapping(value = "/register", method = RequestMethod.POST)
public String addUser(@ModelAttribute("user") User user) {
    userService.addUser(user);
    return "successView";
}
```





Form Processing Full Example

```
@Controller
@RequestMapping("/admin/users")
public class UserController {
    @Autowired
    private UserService userService;
    @RequestMapping(value = "/register", method = RequestMethod.GET)
    public String createNewUser(Model model) {
        model.addAttribute(new User());
        return "formView";
    @RequestMapping(value = "/register", method = RequestMethod. POST)
    public String addUser(@ModelAttribute("user") User user) {
        userService.addUser(user);
        return "successView":
```





Input Validation

- Beginning with Spring 3.
- Spring MVC has the ability to automatically validate Controller inputs.
- Spring 3 includes support for JavaBean validation specification (JSR-303).
- To trigger validation of a Controller input you have to do two steps for input validation:
 - Annotate input argument with @Valid

```
@RequestMapping(value = "/register", method = RequestMethod.POST)
public String addUser(@Valid @ModelAttribute("user") User user) {
    userService.addUser(user);
    return "successView";
}
```

- Annotate bean properties to specify validation rules
- The following table includes the built-in bean validation constraints.





Input Validation (Ex.)

Constraint	description	example
@DecimalMax	The value of the field or property must be a decimal value lower	@DecimalMax("30.00")
	than or equal to the number in the value element.	BigDecimal discount;
@DecimalMin	The value of the field or property must be a decimal value greater	@DecimalMin("5.00")
	than or equal to the number in the value element.	BigDecimal discount;
@Digits	The value of the field or property must be a number within a	
	specified range. Theinteger element specifies the maximum integral	@Digits(integer=6, fraction=2)
	digits for the number, and thefraction element specifies the	BigDecimal price;
	maximum fractional digits for the number.	
@Future	The value of the field or property must be a date in the future.	@Future
		Date eventDate;





Input Validation (Ex.)

Constraint	description	example
@Max	The value of the field or property must be an integer value lower than or equal to the number in the value element.	@Max(10) int quantity;
@Min	The value of the field or property must be an integer value greater than or equal to the number in the value element.	@Min(5) int quantity;
@NotNull	The value of the field or property must not be null.	@NotNull String username;
@Null	The value of the field or property must be null.	@Null String unusedString;
@Past	The value of the field or property must be a date in the past.	@Past Date birthday;





Input Validation (Ex.)

Constraint	description	example
@Pattern	The value of the field or property must match the regular expression defined in theregexp element.	@Pattern (regexp= "\\(\\d{3}\\)\\d{3}-\\d{4}") String phoneNumber;
@Size	The size of the field or property is evaluated and must match the specified boundaries. If the field or property is a String, the size of the string is evaluated. If the field or property is a collection the size of the Collection is evaluated. If the field or property is a Map or array, the size of the it is evaluated. Use one of the optional max or min elements to specify the boundaries.	@Size (min=2, max=240) String briefMessage;





Handling Validation Errors

• In all of the validation annotations, message attribute can be used with the message to be displayed in the form when validation fails so that the user knows what needs to be corrected.





Handling Validation Errors

- In order to check whether the validation succeeded or failed, we need to pass BindingResult Object to the handler method.
- BindingResult Object knew whether the form had any validation errors.
- Checking if there were any errors or not is by calling its hasErrors() method.

```
@RequestMapping(value = "/register", method = RequestMethod.POST)
public String addUser(@Valid @ModelAttribute("user") User user, BindingResult result) {
   if (result.hasErrors()) {
      return "formView";
   } else {
      userService.addUser(user);
      return "successView";
   }
}
```





Displaying Validation Errors

- Spring's form binding JSP tag library is used to display the errors.
- The <form:errors> tag can render field validation errors.
- The <form:errors> tag's path attribute specifies the form field for which errors should be displayed.
- If there are multiple errors for a single field. <form:errors path="name"/>
 - They will be all displayed, separated by an HTML
tag.
- If you'd rather have them separated some other way.
 - Then you can use the delimiter attribute. <form:errors path="name" delimiter=","/>
- To display all of the errors in one place (perhaps at the top of the form)
 - Use <form:errors> tag, with its path attribute set to *.





Redirecting to Controller

- The special "redirect:" Prefix allows you to redirect to another resource.
- If a view name is returned that has this Prefix, the view resolver will recognize this as a special indication that a redirect is needed.
- The rest of the view name will be treated as the redirect URL.

```
@RequestMapping(value = "/register", method = RequestMethod.POST)
public String addUser(@Valid @ModelAttribute("user") User user, BindingResult result) {
    if (result.hasErrors()) {
        return "formView";
    } else {
        userService.addUser(user);
        return "redirect:/another.htm";
    }
}
```





Forward to Controller

- The special "forward:" Prefix allows you to forward to another controller.
- If a view name is returned that has this Prefix, the view resolver will recognize this as a special indication that a forward is needed.
- The rest of the view name will be treated as the forward URL.

```
@RequestMapping(value = "/register", method = RequestMethod.POST)
public String addUser(@Valid @ModelAttribute("user") User user, BindingResult result) {
   if (result.hasErrors()) {
      return "formView";
   } else {
      userService.addUser(user);
      return "forward:/another.htm";
   }
}
```





1. Using commons-fileupload API

2. Using Servlets 3.0 API





- Remember:
 - The form method must be POST
 - The enctype attribute must have the value multipart/form-data
 - The controller method must have an argument of type MultiPartFile





```
<form method="POST" action="uploadFile" enctype="multipart/form-data">
        File to upload: <input type="file" name="file">
        Name: <input type="text" name="name">
        <input type="submit" value="Upload"> Press here to upload the file!
</form>
```





```
@RequestMapping(value = "/uploadFile", method = RequestMethod.POST)
@ResponseBody
  public String uploadFileHandler(@RequestParam("name") String name,
      @RequestParam("file") MultipartFile file) {
        if (!file.isEmpty()) {
        return "You successfully uploaded file=" + file.getOriginalFilename();
        } else {
      return "You failed to upload " + file.getOriginalFilename()
          + " because the file was empty.";
```





Uploading Files- commons-fileupload

1. Include dependency for the Apache commons-fileupload library

2. Define multipartResolver in the Dispatcher-Servlet.xml of type: "org.springframework.web.multipart.commons.CommonsMultipartResolver"





Uploading Files- Servlets 3.0 API

 In web.xml add <mulipart-config> tag inside the <servlet> tag of the Dispatcher Servlet

2. Define multipartResolver in the Dispatcher-Servlet.xml of type:

"org.springframework.web.multipart.support.StandardServletMultipartResolver"

References & Recommended Reading





References & Recommended Reading

- Spring Framework Documentation Version 5.3.6.RELEASE
- Spring in Action 5th Edition
- Cloud Native Java
- Learning Spring Boot 2.0
- Spring 5 Recipes: A Problem-Solution Approach





