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Inside the DispatcherServlet.service(...) :
Controller controller = applicationContext.getBean("viewOurMissionController", Controller.class);
ModelAndView mav = controller.handleRequest(req, resp);
abstract class AbstractAnnotationConfigDispatcherServletInitializer
                   implements WebApplicationInitializer {
  void onStartup(ServletContext ctx) {
   // implementation logic
  abstract Class<?>[] getRootConfigClasses();
  abstract Class<?>[] getServletConfigClasses();
 abstract String[] getServletMappings();
                                                                         class AW2AnnotationConfigDispatcherServletInitializer extends
                                                                         AbstractAnnotationConfigDispatcherServletInitializer {
 interface WebApplicationInitializer {
                                                                         Class<?>[] getRootConfigClasses() {...};
   void onStartup(ServletContext ctx);
                                                                         Class<?>[] getServletConfigClasses() {...};
                                                                          String[] getServletMappings() {return new String[]{"*.htm"};}
@Handlers(WebApplicationInitializericlass)

    clicking on hyperlink (GET)

 class SpringServletContainerInitializer
                                                                                                       form-submissions
                                                                                                                                 (POST)
  extends ServletContainerInitializer{
  void onStartup(Set<Class<?>> handlers,
                                                                                                       #2 allowed http methods: GET, POST
             ServletContext context) {...}
                                                                                                        PATCH, PUT, DELETE, HEAD, OPTIONS, TRACE, CONNECT
        during the deployment will
                                              Servlet Container
        invoke the onStartup by passing
                                                    [Tomcat]
        the reference of
        - handlers (WebApplicationInitializers)

    ServletContext

interface Controller {
  ModelAndView handleRequest(req, resp);
There is a benefit of using AbstractController rather than using Controller interface
abstract class AbstractController implements Controller {
  public ModelAndView handleRequest(HttpServletRequest req, HttpServletResponse resp) {
    #1. check for http requestMethod, and allow only GET OR POST
    String reqMethod = req.getMethod();
    if(reqMethod.eq("GET") || reqMethod.eq("POST")) {
      return handleRequestInternal(req, resp);
    }else {
      // http error
    #2. is the user HttpSession is valid or not (if requiredSession is enabled)
  abstract ModelAndView handleRequestInternal(HttpServletRequest req, HttpServletResponse resp);
class ViewOurMissionController extends AbstractController {
 ModelAndView handleRequestInternal(HttpServletRequest req, HttpServletResponse resp) {
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// logic to process the request

return new ModelAndView("our-mission");