



Testing Spring

Beginner to Guru

Spring Framework Testing Features



Spring Framework

- This lecture will explore testing features of the Spring Framework
- Specifically Spring Framework, and not Spring Boot
- Spring Boot will be explored fully in an upcoming section of the course
- Spring Boot is very complementary to the testing features in the Spring Framework





Spring Framework Testing Features

- Features for Unit Testing
 - Mock Objects
 - **Environment** - Mock Environment and Properties Source
 - **JNDI** - Mock of JNDI lookup
 - **Servlet API** - For testing of web environment
 - **Spring Web Reactive** - Testing of reactive web environment



Testing Utilities

- ReflectionTestUtils - allows use of reflection to modify private fields
 - Spring can autowire private properties - (Considered a poor practice)
 - Can also be used to hook into bean lifecycle events
- AOP Utils - Helps with testing of AOP



Spring MVC Test

- Spring MVC Test - Robust framework for testing controller interactions
 - **MockHttpServletRequest** - Mock implementation of request / response
 - **MockHttpSession** - Mock of Http Session
 - **ModelAndViewAssert** - assertion utilities
- Framework allows testing of web requests without the need of a running container
- Allows true unit tests for controller
 - Tests run much faster when the web context is not started



Spring Integration Testing

- Integration testing is when the Spring Context is started to support the test
- Loading the Spring Context is considered an expensive operation
 - Can take 10 - 40 seconds to load context
 - Depending on complexity of project and hardware
- Spring will cache the context between tests to improve performance
- Dependency Injection - Spring can be used to inject beans into test classes
- Transaction Management - By default Spring will automatically rollback database transactions



JDBC Testing Support

- **JdbcTemplate** - Spring will configure an instance of JdbcTemplate for testing support
- **JdbcTestUtils** - Collection of utilities to assist with database testing
 - countRowsInTable
 - countRowsInTableWhere
 - deleteFromTables
 - deleteFromTablesWhere
 - dropTables



Embedded Database Support

- Spring provides support for popular in-memory Java databases
- Very useful for testing database interactions
- Supported natively by Spring:
 - H2
 - HSQL
 - Derby
- H2 has a nice web based DB console

Embedded

Test Case	Unit	H2	HSQLDB	Derby
Simple: Init	ms	1019	1907	8280
Simple: Query (random)	ms	1304	873	1912
Simple: Query (sequential)	ms	835	1839	5415
Simple: Update (sequential)	ms	961	2333	21759
Simple: Delete (sequential)	ms	950	1922	32016
Simple: Memory Usage	MB	21	10	8
BenchA: Init	ms	919	2133	7528
BenchA: Transactions	ms	1219	2297	8541
BenchA: Memory Usage	MB	12	15	7
BenchB: Init	ms	905	1993	8049
BenchB: Transactions	ms	1091	583	1165
BenchB: Memory Usage	MB	17	11	8
BenchC: Init	ms	2491	4003	8064
BenchC: Transactions	ms	1979	803	2840
BenchC: Memory Usage	MB	19	22	9
Executed statements	#	1930995	1930995	1930995
Total time	ms	13673	20686	105569
Statements per second	#	141226	93347	18291



Spring Framework Testing Annotations

- **@BootstrapWith** - Class-level annotation to configure how the test context is bootstrapped
- **@ContextConfiguration** - Class-level annotation to configure the application context
- **@WebAppConfigurtation** - Class-level annotation to configure a web application context
- **@ContextHiearchy** - Class-level annotation to set multiple @ContextConfigurations
- **@ActiveProfiles** - Class-level annotation to set active profiles for test
- **@TestPropertySource** - Class-level annotation to set property sources for test
- **@DirtiesContext** - Class or method level annotation which tells Spring to re-load context after test - (slows down your tests)



Spring Framework Testing Annotations

- **@TestExecutionListeners** - Used to configure test execution listeners
- **@Commit** - Class or method level annotation to commit action of test to database.
- **@Rollback** - Class or method level annotation to rollback action of test from database.
- **@BeforeTransaction** - run a method which returns void before a transaction is started
- **@AfterTransaction** - run a method which returns void after a transaction has completed



Spring Framework Testing Annotations

- **@Sql** - Used to configure SQL scripts to run before a test
- **@SqlConfig** - Configuration for the parsing of SQL scripts
- **@SqlGroup** - Configure a grouping of SQL scripts



JUnit 4 Testing Annotations

- **@IfProfileValue** - Enable test for specific environments
- **@ProfileValueSourceConfiguration** - Class-level annotation to configure how profile values are retrieved
- **@Timed** - Require test to complete within a period of time
- **@Repeat** - Repeat test x number of times



Spring JUnit 5 Testing Annotations

- **@SpringJUnitConfig** - Combines @ContextConfiguration with @ExtendWith(SpringExtension.class) to configure the Spring Context for the test
- **@SpringJUnitWebConfig** - Combines @ContextConfiguration and @WebAppConfiguration with @ExtendWith(SpringExtension.class) to configure the Spring Context for the test
- **@EnabledIf** - Conditional execution of test
- **@DisabledIf** - Conditional execution of test

