Intellij IDEA – Spring boot reload static file is not working

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In Eclipse, just include the Spring Boot Dev Tools dependency, then the hot swapping and static file reload will be enabled magically. For Intellij IDE, we need extra steps to enable it.

1. Spring Boot Dev Tools

With Spring Boot Dev Tools enabled :

- Any changes to views or resources can be seen in the browser directly, no need restarts, just refresh the browser.
- Any changes to the code that will restart the Spring container automatically.

First, include the `Spring Boot Dev Tools` dependency :
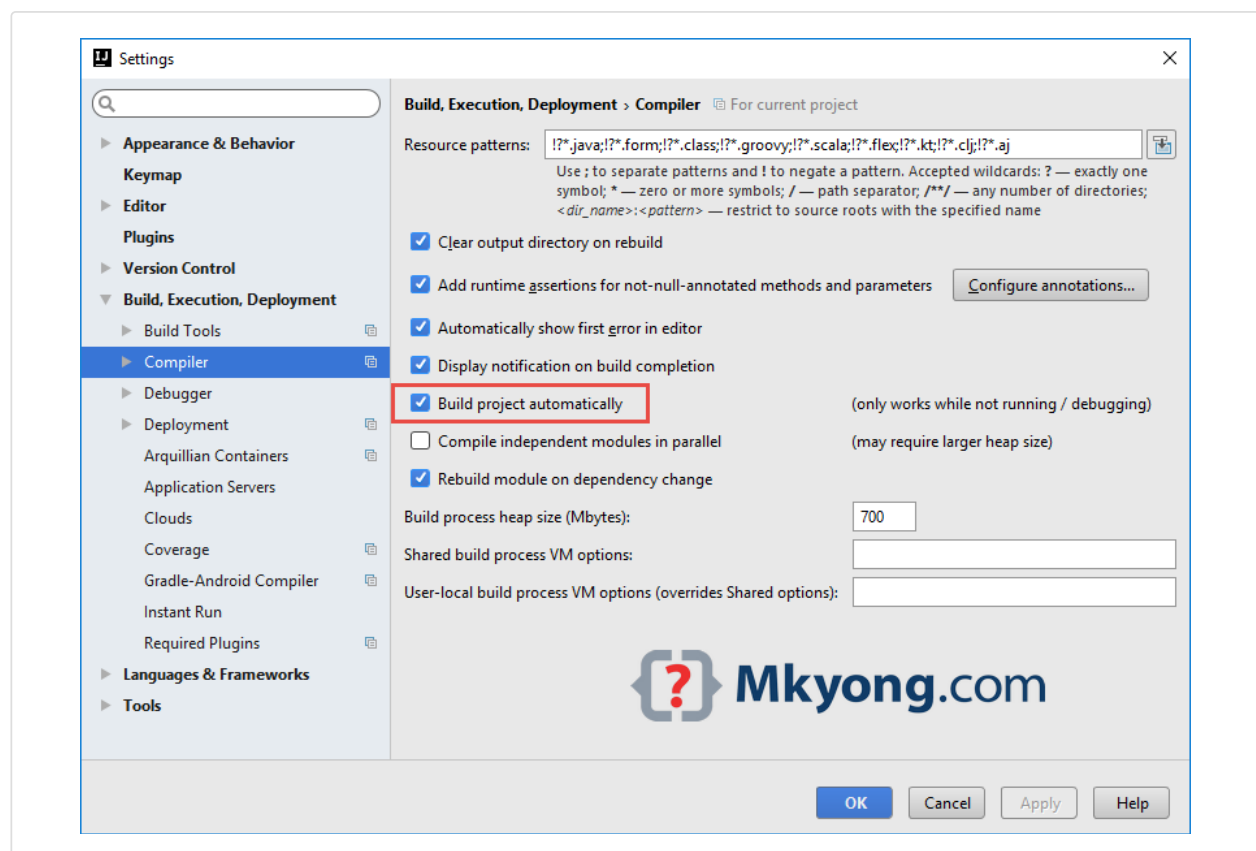
pom.xml

```
<!-- hot swapping, enable live reload -->
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-devtools</artifactId>
    <optional>true</optional>
</dependency>
```

2. Build Project Automatically

File –> Setting –> Build, Execution, Deployment –> Compiler –> check this `Build project automatically`

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