

SpEL – Spring Expression Language & AOP



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Spring SpEL

- Definition:**

Spring Expression Language (SpEL) allows to query and manipulate objects in the Spring IoC container.

- Purpose:**

- Conditional logic in annotations, property resolution, and dynamic expressions in configuration.

- ✓ The Spring EL evaluated or executed during the bean creation time.

- ✓ In addition, all Spring expressions are available via XML or annotation.

SpEL Features

Dynamic Querying:

Querying and filtering data using SpEL expressions.

For instance, use SpEL to dynamically evaluate and retrieve properties of beans.

```
<bean id="emp" class="com.mycom.spring.spel.properties.Employee">
  <property name="id" value="1020"></property>
  <property name="name" value="Nesha"></property>
  <property name="address" value="#{address}"></property>
  <property name="state" value="#{address.state}"></property>
</bean>
```

Arithmetic and Logical Operations:

SpEL supports arithmetic operations (+, -, *, /) and logical operations (&&, ||, !), allowing to perform computations and logical checks within expressions.

```
// evaluates to 6
result = parser.parseExpression("3 * 2").getValue(Integer.class);
System.out.println("Product : " + result);
```

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String Manipulation:

SpEL provides methods for string operations such as `substring()`, `length()`, `toUpperCase()`, etc.

Ex:

```
ExpressionParser parser = new SpelExpressionParser();  
Expression exp = parser.parseExpression("'Hello World'.concat('!')");  
String message = (String) exp.getValue();
```

```
ExpressionParser parser = new SpelExpressionParser();  
Expression exp = parser.parseExpression("new String('hello world').toUpperCase()");  
String message = exp.getValue(String.class);
```

Object Navigation:

You can traverse through object properties and collections using SpEL. For example, you can access nested properties and iterate over collections.

****Demo**

Aspect Oriented Programming - Concerns

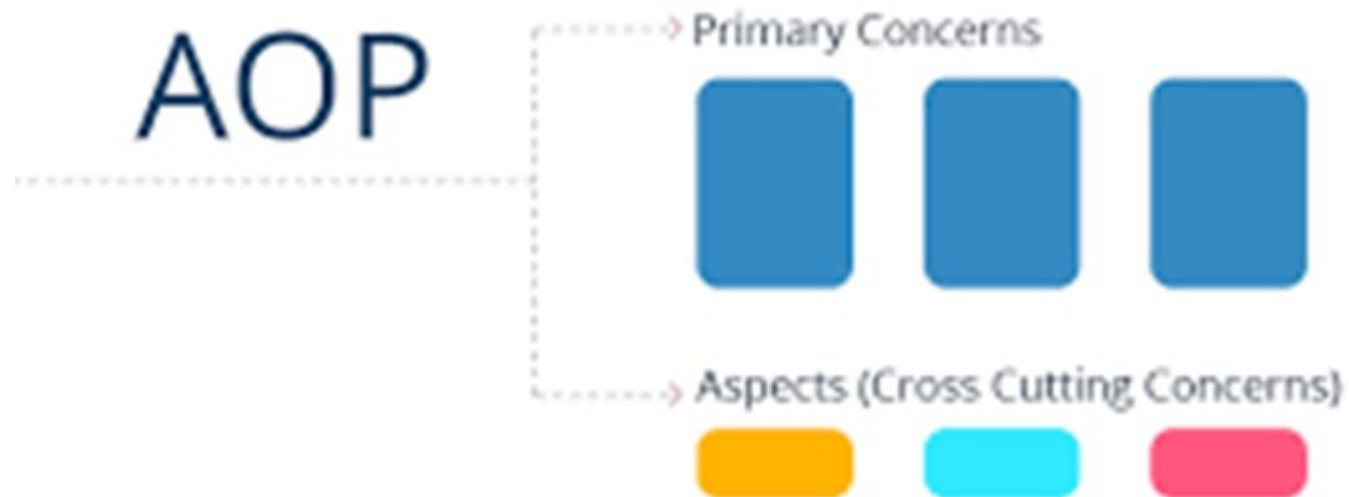
Concern : Background functionality of an application apart from business flow.

Ex : **Logging messages – Web Server, Hibernate, Spring – apart from app result**

These concerns are spread across the application modules.

Behind the application logic / flow / module to know the status of the application

Spring AOP



Spring AOP - Terminology

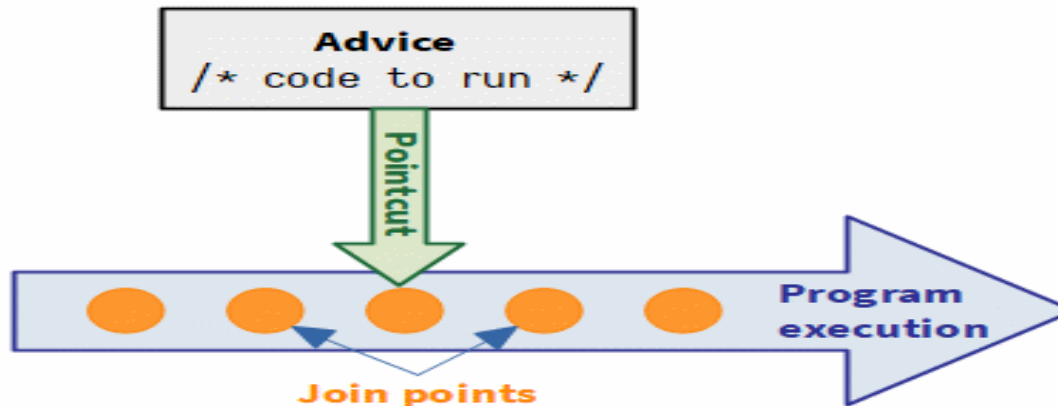
Aspect: A modularization of a cross-cutting concern. Implemented in Spring as Advisors or interceptors

Joinpoint: Point during the execution of execution.

Advice: Action taken at a particular joinpoint.

Pointcut: A set of joinpoints specifying where advice should be applied.

Introduction: Adding methods or fields to an advised class.



Spring AOP - Terminology

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3. Advice
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Spring AOP - Example

Student.java

```
public void setAge(Integer age) {  
    this.age = age;  
}  
public Integer getAge() {  
    System.out.println("Age : " + age );  
    return age;  
}  
public void setName(String name) {  
    this.name = name;  
}  
public String getName() {  
    System.out.println("Name : " + name );  
    return name;  
}
```

MainApp.java

```
Student student = (Student) context.getBean("student");  
student.getName();  
student.getAge();
```

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Bean Configurations in applicationContext.xml

```
http://www.springframework.org/schema/aop
http://www.springframework.org/schema/aop/spring-aop-3.0.xsd">

<aop:aspectj-autoproxy/>

<!-- Definition for student bean -->
<bean id = "student" class = "com.mycom.springaop.bean.Student">
    <property name = "name" value = "Vinoothna" />
    <property name = "age" value = "21"/>
</bean>

<!-- Definition for logging aspect -->
<bean id = "logging" class = "com.mycom.springaop.aspect.StudentLoggerAspect"/>
```

Output on Console

```
INFO: Loading XML bean definitions from class path resource [applicationContext.xml]
Going to setup student profile.
Name : Vinoothna
Going to setup student profile.
Age : 21
```

Spring AOP - Example

StudentLoggerAspect.java

```
@Aspect
public class StudentLoggerAspect {
    /*Following is the definition for a Pointcut to select
    * all the methods available. So advice will be called
    * for all the methods.
    */
    @Pointcut("execution(* com.mycom.springaop.bean.*.*(..))")
    private void selectAll(){}

    /*
    * This is the method that executes
    * before a selected method execution.
    */
    @Before("selectAll()")
    public void beforeAdvice(){
        System.out.println("Going to setup student profile.");
    }
}
```

Any Class

Any Method

Thank You

