**What is Spring Framework?**

Spring is a dependency injection framework and it complements jee by making them easier for us developers to use. Spring framework is loosely coupled because of dependency Injection.

**Dependency Injection**

Allows us to delegate the creation and injection of dependencies to containers such that they are available when we need to use them in our code. We as developers we only need to worry about the logic of our code instead of focusing on object creation.

**Inversion of Control (IoC)**

Inversion of Control is a principle in software engineering which transfers the control of objects or portions of a program to a container or framework. We most often use it in the context of object-oriented programming. The process of moving the control of object creation from our application code to an external framework is called Inversion of Control. It is a design pattern.

The advantages of this architecture are:

* decoupling the execution of a task from its implementation
* making it easier to switch between different implementations
* greater modularity of a program
* greater ease in testing a program by isolating a component or mocking its dependencies, and allowing components to communicate through contracts

We can achieve Inversion of Control through various mechanisms such as: Strategy design pattern, Service Locator pattern, Factory pattern, and Dependency Injection (DI).

**Where does DI apply in Spring and JEE?**

**Spring MVC**

security

transactions

**Spring JDBC**

**Spring ORM**

These are some of the APIs that are provided through Spring that makes development very easy.

UI Layer



DB

Services / Business Layer

Data Access Layer



Diagram

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**Dependency Injection**

There are 2 types of DI, Setter (Property Injection) and Constructor Injection.

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| Setter Injection |

Setter injection is a dependency injection in which the spring framework injects the dependency object using the setter method. The call first goes to no argument constructor and then to the setter method.

**3 steps to DI**

**Injecting Primitive Types**

1. Create the POJO (i.e. Java Bean)

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| Employee.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.model;  **public** **class** Employee {    **private** **int** id;  **private** String name;    **getters and setters**  } |

1. Create the configuration file

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>    <bean name=*"emp"* class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.model.Employee"*>  <property name=*"id"*>  <value>20</value>  </property>  <property name=*"name"*>  <value>Marikwa</value>  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |

This setup is known as **value as element**.

The following is known as **value as attribute**.

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| <bean name=*"emp"* class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.model.Employee"*>  <property name=*"id"* value= *"20"* />  <property name=*"name"* value=*"Marikwa"* />  </bean> |

Another way to inject values is to use the **p:schema or p: namespace** as shown below and we do not need the property tag.

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| <bean name=*"emp"* class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.model.Employee"* p:id=*"30"* p:name=*"Marikwa"* /> |

1. Create a test class

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| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **import** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.model.Employee;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ClassPathXmlApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext( "com/samsonmarikwa/spring/springcore/model/config.xml");  Employee emp = (Employee) ctx.getBean("emp");  System.***out***.println("Employee Id: " + emp.getId());  System.***out***.println("Employee Name: " + emp.getName());  }  } |

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| Employee Id: 20  Employee Name: Marikwa | Output |

**Injecting Collection Types(List, Set, Map, Properties)**

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| **listconfig.xml – Create configuration file – injecting a List** |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"hospital"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.list.Hospital"*>  <property name=*"name"*>  <value>Novant Hospital</value>  </property>  <property name=*"departments"*>  <list>  <value>Front Office</value>  <value>In Patient</value>  <value>Out Patient</value>  <value>Trauma</value>  </list>  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |

An instance of a List without values (i.e. an empty list) can be created by having an **empty <list> tag** as shown below

<property name=*"departments"*>

<list>

</list>

</property>

**If you have one element in the list, you can skip the <list> tag as shown below.**

<property name=*"departments"*>

<value>Front Office</value>

</property>

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| Hospital.java – Create Java bean or POJO |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.list;  **import** java.util.List;  **public** **class** Hospital {  **private** String name;  **private** List<String> departments;  **public** String getName() {  **return** name;  }  **public** **void** setName(String name) {  **this**.name = name;  }  **public** List<String> getDepartments() {  **return** departments;  }  **public** **void** setDepartments(List<String> departments) {  **this**.departments = departments;  }  } |

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| **Test.java – create test class** |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.list;  **import** java.util.Iterator;  **import** java.util.List;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx =  **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/spring/springcore/list/listconfig.xml");  Hospital hospital = (Hospital) ctx.getBean("hospital");  System.***out***.println("Hospital Name: " + hospital.getName());  System.***out***.println("Departments:");    List<String> departments = hospital.getDepartments();  **for** (Iterator<String> iterator = departments.iterator(); iterator.hasNext();) {  String department = (String) iterator.next();  System.***out***.println(" " + department);  }  }  } |



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| Output |
| Hospital Name: Novant Hospital  Departments:  Front Office  In Patient  Out Patient  Trauma |
| **CarDealer Java Bean / POJO** |
| **CarDealer.java** |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.set;  **import** java.util.Set;  **public** **class** CarDealer {  **private** String name;  **private** Set<String> models;  **public** String getName() {  **return** name;  }  **public** **void** setName(String name) {  **this**.name = name;  }  **public** Set<String> getModels() {  **return** models;  }  **public** **void** setModels(Set<String> models) {  **this**.models = models;  }  } |

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| **setconfig.xml – Create configuration file** |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"carDealer"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.set.CarDealer"*>  <property name=*"name"*>  <value>Toyota</value>  </property>  <property name=*"models"*>  <set>  <value>Corrola</value>  <value>Hilux</value>  <value>Prado</value>  </set>  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |



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| **Test.java** |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.set;  **import** java.util.Set;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/spring/springcore/set/setconfig.xml");  CarDealer carDealer = (CarDealer) ctx.getBean("carDealer");  System.***out***.println("Car Dealer: " + carDealer.getName());  System.***out***.println("Models:");  Set<String> models = carDealer.getModels();  **for** (String model : models) {  System.***out***.println(" " + model);  }  }  } |

**Map**

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| **Customer Java Bean / POJO** |
| **Customer.java** |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.map;  **import** java.util.Map;  **public** **class** Customer {  **private** **int** id;  **private** Map<Integer, String> products;  **public** **int** getId() {  **return** id;  }  **public** **void** setId(**int** id) {  **this**.id = id;  }  **public** Map<Integer, String> getProducts() {  **return** products;  }  **public** **void** setProducts(Map<Integer, String> products) {  **this**.products = products;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Customer [id=" + id + ", products=" + products + "]";  }  } |

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| **Configuration file** |
| **mapconfig.xml** |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"customer"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.map.Customer"* p:id=*"20"*>  <property name=*"products"*>  <map>  <entry key=*"100"* value=*"Iphone"* />  <entry key=*"200"*>  <value>IPad</value>  </entry>  <entry value=*"Macbook Pro"*>  <key>  <value>300</value>  </key>  </entry>  <entry>  <key>  <value>400</value>  </key>  <value>Macbook AIR</value>  </entry>  </map>  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |

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| **Test.java** |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.map;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/spring/springcore/map/mapconfig.xml");  Customer customer = (Customer) ctx.getBean("customer");    System.***out***.println(customer);  }  } |

**Injecting Properties**

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| **Configuration file** |
| **propertiesconfig.xml** |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"countriesAndLanguages"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.properties.CountriesAndLanguages"*>  <property name=*"countryAndLanguages"*>  <props>  <prop key=*"USA"*>English</prop>  <prop key=*"UK"*>English</prop>  <prop key=*"SA"*>Zulu</prop>  <prop key=*"ZIM"*>Shona</prop>  </props>  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |

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| **CountriesAndLanguages.java** |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.properties;  **import** java.util.Properties;  **public** **class** CountriesAndLanguages {  **private** Properties countryAndLanguages;  **public** Properties getCountryAndLanguages() {  **return** countryAndLanguages;  }  **public** **void** setCountryAndLanguages(Properties countryAndLanguages) {  **this**.countryAndLanguages = countryAndLanguages;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "CountriesAndLanguages [countryAndLanguages=" + countryAndLanguages + "]";  }    } |

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| **Test.java** |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.properties;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public class** Test {  **public static void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/spring/springcore/properties/propertiesconfig.xml");  var countriesAndLang = (CountriesAndLanguages) ctx.getBean("countriesAndLanguages");  System.out.println(countriesAndLang.getClass().getCanonicalName());  System.out.println(countriesAndLang);  }  } |

**Injecting Reference Types**

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| Configuration file - reftypesconfig.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"scores"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.reftypes.Scores"*  p:maths=*"20.55"* p:physics=*"50.50"* p:chemistry=*"95.90"* />  <bean name=*"student"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.reftypes.Student"*>  <property name=*"scores"*>  <ref bean=*"scores"* />  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |

**Ref as Attribute**, we can have ref as an attribute of the property tag

<bean name=*"student"*

class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.reftypes.Student"*>

<property name=*"scores"* ref=*"scores"* />

</bean>



**P Schema,** we can use the p schema to refer to the dependency class as shown below.



<bean name=*"student"*

class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.reftypes.Student"*

p:scores-ref=*"scores"* />



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| POJO or Java Bean - Student.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.reftypes;  **public** **class** Student {  **private** Scores scores;  **public** Scores getScores() {  **return** scores;  }  **public** **void** setScores(Scores scores) {  **this**.scores = scores;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Student [scores=" + scores + "]";  }  } |
| POJO or Java Bean - Scores.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.reftypes;  **public** **class** Scores {  **private** Double maths;  **private** Double physics;  **private** Double chemistry;  **public** Double getMaths() {  **return** maths;  }  **public** **void** setMaths(Double maths) {  **this**.maths = maths;  }  **public** Double getPhysics() {  **return** physics;  }  **public** **void** setPhysics(Double physics) {  **this**.physics = physics;  }  **public** Double getChemistry() {  **return** chemistry;  }  **public** **void** setChemistry(Double chemistry) {  **this**.chemistry = chemistry;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Scores [maths=" + maths + ", physics=" + physics + ", chemistry=" + chemistry + "]";  }  } |

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| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.spring.springcore.reftypes;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/spring/springcore/reftypes/reftypesconfig.xml");  Student student = (Student) ctx.getBean("student");    System.***out***.println(student);  }  } |

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| Output |
| Student [scores=Scores [maths=20.55, physics=50.5, chemistry=95.9]] |

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| Life Cycle Methods |

There are two life cycle methods, init and destroy.

**public void init()**

**public void destroy()**

The names may not be the same but the signature must be the same.

Bean life cycle is managed by the spring container. When we run the program then, first of all, the spring container gets started. After that, the container creates the instance of a bean as per the request, and then dependencies are injected. And finally, the bean is destroyed when the spring container is closed. Therefore, if we want to execute some code on the bean instantiation and just after closing the spring container, then we can write that code inside the custom **init()** method and the **destroy()** method.

Diagram

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Any initialization code, such as loading some configuration file from the file system, connecting to the database, connecting to a web service can go into the init method and all the clean-up code should go into the destroy method.

**Life Cycle Using XML Configuration**



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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"patient"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springbean.lifecycle.xmlconfig.Patient"*  p:id=*"123"* init-method=*"init"* destroy-method=*"destry"* />  </beans> |



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| Patient.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springbean.lifecycle.xmlconfig;  **public** **class** Patient {  **private** **int** id;  **public** **int** getId() {  **return** id;  }  **public** **void** setId(**int** id) {  System.***out***.println("Inside Setter method");  **this**.id = id;  }  **public** **void** init() { // the name need not be init()  System.***out***.println("Inside init Method");  }  **public** **void** destry() { // the nane need to be destroy  System.***out***.println("Inside destroy method");  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Patient [id=" + id + "]";  }  } |

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| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springbean.lifecycle.xmlconfig;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.AbstractApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  AbstractApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springbean/lifecycle/xmlconfig/config.xml");  Patient patient = (Patient) ctx.getBean("patient");  System.***out***.println(patient);  ctx.registerShutdownHook();  }  } |



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| Output |  |
| Inside Setter method  Inside init Method  Patient [id=123]  Inside destroy method |  |



**Life Cycle Using Interfaces**

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"patient"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springbean.lifecycle.springinterfaces.Patient"*  p:id=*"123"* />  </beans> |

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| Patient.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springbean.lifecycle.springinterfaces;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.DisposableBean;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.InitializingBean;  **public** **class** Patient **implements** InitializingBean, DisposableBean {  **private** **int** id;  **public** **int** getId() {  **return** id;  }  **public** **void** setId(**int** id) {  System.***out***.println("Inside Setter method");  **this**.id = id;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Patient [id=" + id + "]";  }  @Override  **public** **void** afterPropertiesSet() **throws** Exception { // this is the init method  System.***out***.println("Inside afterPropertiesSet");  }  @Override  **public** **void** destroy() **throws** Exception {  System.***out***.println("Inside the destroy mentod");  }  } |

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| Test.java |
| package com.samsonmarikwa.springbean.lifecycle.springinterfaces;  import org.springframework.context.support.AbstractApplicationContext;  import org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  public class Test {  public static void main(String[] args) {  AbstractApplicationContext ctx = new ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springbean/lifecycle/springinterfaces/config.xml");  Patient patient = (Patient) ctx.getBean("patient");  System.out.println(patient);  ctx.registerShutdownHook();  }  } |

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| Output |
| Inside Setter method  Inside afterPropertiesSet  Patient [id=123]  Inside the destroy mentod |

**Life Cycle Using Annotations**

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"patient"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springbean.lifecycle.annotations.Patient"*  p:id=*"123"* />  <bean class=*"org.springframework.context.annotation.CommonAnnotationBeanPostProcessor"* />  </beans> |



Annotation Support can be enabled for all annotations as opposed to just @PostConstruct and @PreDestroy. This is done by adding the following in the config.xml file. This is the recommended way.



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| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"patient"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springbean.lifecycle.annotations.Patient"*  p:id=*"123"* />    <context:annotation-config />  </beans> |



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| pom.xml |
| <dependency>  <groupId>javax.annotation</groupId>  <artifactId>javax.annotation-api</artifactId>  <version>1.3.2</version>  </dependency> |



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| Patient.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springbean.lifecycle.annotations;  **import** javax.annotation.PostConstruct;  **import** javax.annotation.PreDestroy;  **public** **class** Patient {  **private** **int** id;  **public** **int** getId() {  **return** id;  }  **public** **void** setId(**int** id) {  System.***out***.println("Inside Setter method");  **this**.id = id;  }  @PostConstruct  **public** **void** hi() {  System.***out***.println("Inside init method");  }  @PreDestroy  **public** **void** bye() {  System.***out***.println("Inside destroy method");  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Patient [id=" + id + "]";  }  } |

**Summary**

**Life Cycle Methods**

* Init()
* Destroy()

**Enable annotation processing**

* <context:annotation-config />

**XML Configuration**

* Init-method
* Destroy-method

**Annotations**

* @PostConstruct
* @PreDestroy

**Spring Interfaces**

* InitializingBean
* DisposableBean

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| Dependency Check, Inner beans and Scopes |

In Spring,you can use dependency checking feature to make sure the required properties have been set or injected.

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"prescription"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.dependencycheck.Prescription"* />    <bean class=*"org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.RequiredAnnotationBeanPostProcessor"* />  </beans> |

We can also use the following configurations to enable all annotations processing.

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| <bean name=*"prescription"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.dependencycheck.Prescription"* />    <context:annotation-config/>  <context:component-scan base-package=*"\*"*/> |

As can be seen from the prescription bean, there are no properties with values. We can make the properties required by putting the @Required annotations on the setter methods.

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| Prescription.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.dependencycheck;  **import** java.util.List;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.~~Required~~;  **public** **class** Prescription {  **private** **int** id;  **private** String patientName;  **private** List<String> medicines;  **public** **int** getId() {  **return** id;  }  @~~Required~~  **public** **void** setId(**int** id) {  **this**.id = id;  }  **public** String getPatientName() {  **return** patientName;  }  **public** **void** setPatientName(String patientName) {  **this**.patientName = patientName;  }  **public** List<String> getMedicines() {  **return** medicines;  }  **public** **void** setMedicines(List<String> medicines) {  **this**.medicines = medicines;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Prescription [id="+ id + ", patientName=" + patientName + ", medicines=" + medicines + "]";  }  } |

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| A RuntimeException is thrown |
| Initialization of bean failed; nested exception is org.springframework.beans.factory.BeanInitializationException: Property 'id' is required for bean 'prescription' |

To fix this problem, we have to provide the required value for id in the bean definition.

or injected.



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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"prescription"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.dependencycheck.Prescription"* p:id=*"123"*/>    <bean class=*"org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.RequiredAnnotationBeanPostProcessor"* />  </beans> |

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| Output |
| Prescription [id=123, patientName=null, medicines=null] |

**Inner Bean**

These are nested bean.

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean.Employee"*  p:id=*"123"*>  <property name=*"address"*>  <bean  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |

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| Employee.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean;  **public** **class** Employee {  **private** **int** id;  **private** Address address;  **public** **int** getId() {  **return** id;  }  **public** **void** setId(**int** id) {  **this**.id = id;  }  **public** Address getAddress() {  **return** address;  }  **public** **void** setAddress(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Employee [id=" + id + ", address=" + address + "]";  }  } |

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| Address.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean;  **public** **class** Address {  **private** **int** hno;  **private** String street;  **private** String city;  **public** **int** getHno() {  **return** hno;  }  **public** **void** setHno(**int** hno) {  **this**.hno = hno;  }  **public** String getStreet() {  **return** street;  }  **public** **void** setStreet(String street) {  **this**.street = street;  }  **public** String getCity() {  **return** city;  }  **public** **void** setCity(String city) {  **this**.city = city;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Address [hno=" + hno + ", street=" + street + ", city=" + city + "]";  }  } |

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| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/innerbean/config.xml");  Employee employee = (Employee) ctx.getBean("employee");  System.out.println(employee);  }  } |

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| Output |
| Employee [id=123, address=Address [hno=12345, street=Sango Drive, city=Matthews]] |

**Bean Scopes**

The scope of a bean defines the life cycle and visibility of that bean in the contexts we use it.

The latest version of the Spring framework defines 6 types of scopes:

* singleton
* prototype
* request
* session
* application
* websocket

The last four scopes mentioned, request, session, application and websocket, are only available in a web-aware application.

**Singleton:** When we define a bean with the *singleton* scope, the container creates a single instance of that bean; all requests for that bean name will return the same object, which is cached. Any modifications to the object will be reflected in all references to the bean. This scope is the default value if no other scope is specified.

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| Config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean.Employee"*  p:id=*"123"*>  <property name=*"address"*>  <bean  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |

You can also be explicit that you want a singleton by specifying the scope. This is not necessary as the default scope is singleton.

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| <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean.Employee"*  p:id=*"123"* scope=*"singleton"*>  <property name=*"address"*>  <bean class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  </property>  </bean> |

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| --- |
| *Test.java* |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/innerbean/config.xml");  Employee employee = (Employee) ctx.getBean("employee");  System.out.println(employee.hashCode());    Employee employee2 = (Employee) ctx.getBean("employee");  System.out.println(employee2.hashCode());  }  } |

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| Output |  |
| 2061347276  2061347276 | The hashCode shows that it is the same object that is being accessed. |

**Prototype:**A bean with the *prototype* scope will return a different instance every time it is requested from the container.

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean.Employee"*  p:id=*"123"* scope=*"prototype"*>  <property name=*"address"*>  <bean  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.innerbean.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Output | The output shows that two different objects have been created because the hashCode is different. Every time the request is sent to the container, a new object is given. |
| 524241174  2035070981 |

**Web Aware Scopes**

As previously mentioned, there are four additional scopes that are only available in a web-aware application context. We use these less often in practice. A demo of these scopes is shown under the MVC chapter.

**Request:**The *request* scope creates a bean instance for a single HTTP request.

**Session:**The s*ession* scope creates a bean instance for an HTTP Session. This is between a user logging in and logging out from the system.

**Application or globalsession:**The *application*scope creates the bean instance for the lifecycle of a *ServletContext.*

This is similar to the *singleton* scope, but there is a very important difference with regards to the scope of the bean.

When beans are *application* scoped, the same instance of the bean is shared across multiple servlet-based applications running in the same *ServletContext*, while *singleton* scoped beans are scoped to a single application context only.

**WebSocket:**The *websocket*scope creates it for a particular *WebSocket*session.

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| Constructor Injection |

With constructor injection, we pass the required components into a class at the time of instantiation.



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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"address"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.constructorinjection.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.constructorinjection.Employee"*>  <constructor-arg>  <value>123</value>  </constructor-arg>  <constructor-arg>  <ref bean=*"address"* />  </constructor-arg>  </bean>  </beans> |



We can also use attributes as opposed to elements for values

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| <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.constructorinjection.Employee"*>  <constructor-arg value=*"123"* />  <constructor-arg ref=*"address"* />  </bean> |



We can also use the **C schema** which makes our configuration code even more compact.



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| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"address"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.constructorinjection.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.constructorinjection.Employee"*  c:id=*"123"* c:address-ref=*"address"* />  </beans> |

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| Employee.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.constructorinjection;  **public** **class** Employee {  **private** **int** id;  **private** Address address;  **public** Employee(**int** id, Address address) {  **this**.id = id;  **this**.address = address;  }  **public** **int** getId() {  **return** id;  }  **public** Address getAddress() {  **return** address;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Employee [id=" + id + ", address=" + address + "]";  }  } |

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| Address.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.constructorinjection;  **public** **class** Address {  **private** **int** hno;  **private** String street;  **private** String city;  **public** **int** getHno() {  **return** hno;  }  **public** **void** setHno(**int** hno) {  **this**.hno = hno;  }  **public** String getStreet() {  **return** street;  }  **public** **void** setStreet(String street) {  **this**.street = street;  }  **public** String getCity() {  **return** city;  }  **public** **void** setCity(String city) {  **this**.city = city;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Address [hno=" + hno + ", street=" + street + ", city=" + city + "]";  }  } |

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| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.constructorinjection;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/constructorinjection/config.xml");  Employee employee = (Employee) ctx.getBean("employee");  System.***out***.println(employee);  }  } |

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| Output |
| Employee [id=123, address=Address [hno=12345, street=Sango Drive, city=Matthews]] |

**Constructor Ambiguity**

Constructor Ambiguity takes place when the container is unable to determine which constructor to execute even where the constructor signature is different.

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"addition"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.ambiguity.Addition"*  c:a=*"10"* c:b=*"15"* />  </beans> |



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| Addition.java – Java Bean or POJO |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.ambiguity;  **public** **class** Addition {  Addition(**int** a, **int** b) {  System.***out***.println("Inside constructor int");  }  Addition(**double** a, **double** b) {  System.***out***.println("Inside constructor Double");  }    Addition(String a, String b) {  System.***out***.println("Inside constructor string");  }  } |

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| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.ambiguity;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/ambiguity/config.xml");  Addition employee = (Addition) ctx.getBean("addition");  }  } |

Container

sum(String x, String y)

match



match



sum(double x, double y)

sum(int x, int y)



The ambiguity problem can be fixed by using three different attributes that are available on the <constructor-arg>. The three attributes are type, index and name.

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| config.xml – type attribute on the constructor-arg element |
| <bean name=*"addition"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.ambiguity.Addition"*>  <constructor-arg value=*"10"* type=*"int"* />  <constructor-arg value=*"20"* type=*"int"* />  </bean> |

**Ambiguity problem variation**

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| config.xml – the order of parameters is not maintained, the container switches the order to match the types |
| <bean name=*"addition"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.ambiguity.Addition"*>  <constructor-arg value=*"20.9"* type=*"double"* />  <constructor-arg value=*"10"* type=*"int"* />  </bean> |

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| Java Bean |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.ambiguity;  **public** **class** Addition {  Addition(**int** a, **double** b) {  System.***out***.println("Inside constructor int, double");  System.***out***.println("int a: " + a);  System.***out***.println("double b: " + b);  }  } |



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| Output |
| Inside constructor int, double  int a: 10  double b: 20.9 |

We can use the **index attribute** to tell the Container the position of the parameters in the constructor signature otherwise a runtime exception will be thrown.

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| <bean name=*"addition"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.ambiguity.Addition"*>  <constructor-arg value=*"20.9"* type=*"double"* index=*"1"*/>  <constructor-arg value=*"10"* type=*"int"* index=*"0"*/>  </bean> |



We can use the **name attribute** to specify the parameter name in the class constructor.

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| <bean name=*"addition"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.ambiguity.Addition"*>  <constructor-arg value=*"20.9"* type=*"double"* name=*"b"*/>  <constructor-arg value=*"10"* type=*"int"* name=*"a"*/>  </bean> |

**Difference between constructor and setter injection**

There are many key differences between constructor injection and setter injection.

1. Partial dependency: can be injected using setter injection but it is not possible by constructor. Suppose there are 3 properties in a class, having 3 arg constructor and setters methods. In such case, if you want to pass information for only one property, it is possible by setter method only.
2. Overriding: Setter injection overrides the constructor injection. If we use both constructor and setter injection, IOC container will use the setter injection.
3. Changes: We can easily change the value by setter injection. It doesn't create a new bean instance always like constructor. So setter injection is flexible than constructor injection.

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| Bean Externalization or Reading Properties |

Properties can be as follows for a database

* dbName, port, username and password

We can have these properties defined in a properties file, such as database.properties

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| database.properties |
| dbServer=samsonserver  dbPort=3306  dbUser=root  dbPass=P@ssW0rd |

Create a POJO file to linkup with the properties file

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| MyDAO |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.propertyfilereader;  **public** **class** MyDAO {    **private** String dbSever;  **public** MyDAO(String dbSever) {  **this**.dbSever = dbSever;  }  **public** String getDbSever() {  **return** dbSever;  }  **public** **void** setDbSever(String dbSever) {  **this**.dbSever = dbSever;  }  } |

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.propertyfilereader.MyDAO"*  name=*"myDAO"*>  <constructor-arg>  <value>${dbServer}</value>  </constructor-arg>  </bean>    <context:property-placeholder location=  *"com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/propertyfilereader/database.properties"* />  </beans> |

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| --- |
| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.propertyfilereader;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/propertyfilereader/config.xml");  MyDAO myDAO = (MyDAO) ctx.getBean("myDAO");  System.***out***.println(myDAO.getDbSever());  }  } |

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| Output |
| server |

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| Exception if property does not exist in property file |
| org.springframework.beans.factory.BeanDefinitionStoreException: Invalid bean definition with name 'myDAO' defined in class path resource [com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/propertyfilereader/config.xml]: Could not resolve placeholder 'dbServer' in value "${dbServer}" |

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| **Auto-Wiring Introduction** |

Autowiring feature of spring framework enables you to inject the object dependency implicitly. It internally uses setter or constructor injection.

Autowiring can't be used to inject primitive and string values. **It works with reference only.**

**Advantage of Autowiring**

It requires less code because we don't need to write the code to inject the dependency explicitly.

**Disadvantage of Autowiring**

No control of programmer.

It can't be used for primitive and string values.

Autowiring

**XML**

No (Default)

By Type

By Name

Auto Detect

By Constructor

**Annotations**

@Autowired

@Qualifier

**Autowiring modes**

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| 1 | No | It is the default autowiring mode. It means no autowiring bydefault. |
| 2 | byType | The byType mode injects the object dependency according to type. So property name and bean name can be different. It internally calls setter method. |
| 3 | byName | The byName mode injects the object dependency according to name of the bean. In such case, property name and bean name must be same. It internally calls setter method. |
| 4 | constructor | The constructor mode injects the dependency by calling the constructor of the class. It calls the constructor having large number of parameters. |
| 5 | autodetect | It is deprecated since Spring 3. |

**byType,** instead of manually wiring using c: schema for example, we are using the type name.

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"address"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring.Employee"*  autowire=*"byType"* />  </beans> |



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| --- |
| Employee |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring;  **public** **class** Employee {  **private** Address address;  **public** Address getAddress() {  **return** address;  }  **public** **void** setAddress(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Employee [address=" + address + "]";  }  } |



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| Address.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring;  **public** **class** Address {  **private** **int** hno;  **private** String street;  **private** String city;  ….  } |

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| --- |
| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/autowiring/config.xml");  Employee employee = (Employee) ctx.getBean("employee");  System.out.println(employee);  }  } |

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| --- |
| Output |
| Employee [address=Address [hno=12345, street=Sango Drive, city=Matthews]] |

If the bean is non-existent in the container as in the following example, the container will inject a null value.

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring.Employee"*  autowire=*"byType"* />  </beans> |

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| --- |
| Output |
| Employee [address=null] |

If more than one bean is found, an exception is thrown as shown in the example below.

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| Config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"address"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"address2"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring.Employee"*  autowire=*"byType"* />  </beans> |

|  |
| --- |
| nested exception is org.springframework.beans.factory.NoUniqueBeanDefinitionException: No qualifying bean of type 'com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiring.Address' available: expected single matching bean but found 2: address,address2 |

**byName Autowiring**

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| config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"address"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbyname.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbyname.Employee"*  autowire=*"byName"* />  </beans> |

|  |
| --- |
| Employee.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbytype;  **public** **class** Employee {  **private** Address address;  **public** Address getAddress() {  **return** address;  }  **public** **void** setAddress(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Employee [address=" + address + "]";  }  } |

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| --- |
| Output |
| Employee [address=Address [hno=12345, street=Sango Drive, city=Matthews]] |

If the bean is not found, a null value will be assigned



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| Config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbyname.Employee"*  autowire=*"byName"* />  </beans> |

|  |
| --- |
| Output |
| Employee [address=null] |

Duplicate names will cause a Runtime exception

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| Config.xml |
| <bean name=*"address"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbyname.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"address"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbyname.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbyname.Employee"*  autowire=*"byName"* /> |

|  |
| --- |
| Exception in thread "main" org.springframework.beans.factory.parsing.BeanDefinitionParsingException: Configuration problem: Bean name 'address' is already used in this <beans> element  Offending resource: class path resource [com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/autowiringbyname/config.xml] |

**By Constructor Autowiring**

Autowiring by Name and byType uses the Setter injection. To use constructor injection, we need to provide a parameterized constructor in the class that needs the dependency.

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| Config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <bean name=*"address"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbyconstructor.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbyconstructor.Employee"*  autowire=*"constructor"* />  </beans> |

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| --- |
| Employee.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringbyconstructor;  **public** **class** Employee {  **private** Address address;  **public** Employee(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  **public** Address getAddress() {  **return** address;  }  **public** **void** setAddress(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Employee [address=" + address + "]";  }  } |

**@Autowired Annotation**

The @Autowired annotation enables Spring to resolve and inject collaborating beans into our bean. This is called Spring bean autowiring.

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| --- |
| Employee.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringannotation;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;  **public** **class** Employee {  **private** Address address;  **public** Employee(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  **public** Address getAddress() {  **return** address;  }    @Autowired  **public** **void** setAddress(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Employee [address=" + address + "]";  }  } |

|  |
| --- |
| Config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>    <context:annotation-config />  <bean name=*"address"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringannotation.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringannotation.Employee"* />  </beans> |



**@Autowired at Field level**

The @Autowired annotation can be applied at field or property level. The setter method can be removed if not used elsewhere.

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| --- |
| Employee.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringannotation;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;  **public** **class** Employee {    @Autowired  **private** Address address;  **public** Employee(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  **public** Address getAddress() {  **return** address;  }    @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Employee [address=" + address + "]";  }  } |

**@Autowired at Constructor level**

The @Autowired annotation can be applied at constructor level.

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| --- |
| Employee.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringannotation;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;  **public** **class** Employee {    **private** Address address;  @Autowired  **public** Employee(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  **public** Address getAddress() {  **return** address;  }    @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Employee [address=" + address + "]";  }  } |

**@Qualifier annotation**

Tells the container to use the bean with a specified name. If the bean is not found, a NoSuchBeanException is thrown.

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| --- |
| Config.xml |
| <context:annotation-config />  <bean name=*"address123"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringannotation.Address"*  p:hno=*"123"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"address2"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringannotation.Address"*  p:hno=*"12345"* p:street=*"Sango Drive"* p:city=*"Matthews"* />  <bean name=*"employee"*  class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringannotation.Employee"* /> |



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| --- |
| Employee.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.autowiringannotation;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Qualifier;  **public** **class** Employee {    @Autowired  @Qualifier("address123")  **private** Address address;  **public** **void** setAddress(Address address) {  **this**.address = address;  }  **public** Address getAddress() {  **return** address;  }    @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Employee [address=" + address + "]";  }  } |

The @Autowired annotation can also use an attribute flag of required as shown below

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| --- |
| @Autowired(required=**false**)  @Qualifier("address123")  **private** Address address; |



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| Standalone Collections |

By default, Spring uses ArrayList. You may want to use other collection types such as LinkedList, TreeSet and also share the collection type instead of defining the collection type under a specific bean. We can use Standalone Collections to address these shortfalls.

In the config file, we use the util schema. We add the namespaces on the bean element. The following is the syntax.

<util:CN CN-class=”” id=””>

<value /> or <entry />

</util>

CN represents a classname, for example, java.util.LinkedList or java.util.TreeSet. The util tag creates a separate bean that can be injected into any bean. It also allows the Re-Usability.

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| Config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xmlns:util=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/util"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/util*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/util/spring-util.xsd"*>  <util:list list-class=*"java.util.LinkedList"* id=*"products"*>  <value>Mac Book</value>  <value>Iphone</value>  <value>Keyboard</value>  </util:list>  <bean class=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.standalone.collections.ProductsList"* name=*"productsList"*>  <property name=*"productNames"*>  <ref bean=*"products"* />  </property>  </bean>  </beans> |

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| ProductsList.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.standalone.collections;  **import** java.util.List;  **public** **class** ProductsList {  **private** List<String> productNames;  **public** List<String> getProductNames() {  **return** productNames;  }  **public** **void** setProductNames(List<String> productNames) {  **this**.productNames = productNames;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "ProductsList [productNames=" + productNames + "]";  }  } |

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| --- |
| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.standalone.collections;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/standalone/collections/config.xml");  ProductsList productsList = (ProductsList) ctx.getBean("productsList");  System.***out***.println(productsList);  }  } |

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| Output |
| ProductsList [productNames=[Mac Book, Iphone, Keyboard]] |

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| Stereotype Annotations |

We have used the XML <bean …> tag to create beans or objects. Within Java configuration, we have Stereotype annotations that allow us to create objects.

@Component

class Instructor {

}

@Component is equivalent to using the bean tag in XML.

In the XML file, we need to put the following tag

<context:component-scan base-package=”com.samsonmarikwa” />

Using this element, we tell the Spring container which packages to scan for classes marked with the @Component annotation. The element also enables annotations config in Spring as these are disabled by default.

Using the base-package attribute, the container will scan the package com.samsonmarikwa and all sub-packages to find the bean definitions.

When a class is marked with @component as shown above, the container will create by default an object of type Instructor effectively issuing the following instruction

Instructor instructor = new Instructor();

An object with the name instructor is created.

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| Config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd"*>  <context:component-scan base-package=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations"* />  </beans> |

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| --- |
| Instructor.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  **import** org.springframework.stereotype.Component;  @Component  **public** **class** Instructor {  **private** **int** id;  **private** String name;  **getters and setters**  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Instructor [id=" + id + ", name=" + name + "]";  }  } |

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| --- |
| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/stereotype/annotations/config.xml");  Instructor instructor = (Instructor) ctx.getBean("instructor");  System.out.println(instructor);  }  } |

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| Output |
| Instructor [id=0, name=null] |

We can override the name of the bean as follows

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| --- |
| @Component("instr")  **public** **class** Instructor {  **private** **int** id;  **private** String name;  } |



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| --- |
| Exception in thread "main" org.springframework.beans.factory.NoSuchBeanDefinitionException: No bean named 'instructor' available |

References to the bean should change as shown below.

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| Instructor instructor = (Instructor) ctx.getBean("instr");  System.***out***.println(instructor); |

**@Scope annotation**

The default scope is Singleton.

The other scopes are Prototype, Request, Session, GlobalSession or Application and WebSocket. The last four are for web-aware applications.

We can change the scope by using the @Scope annotation as shown below.

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| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  **import** org.springframework.context.annotation.Scope;  **import** org.springframework.stereotype.Component;  @Component("instr")  @Scope("prototype")  **public** **class** Instructor {  **private** **int** id;  **private** String name;  **getters and setters**  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Instructor [id=" + id + ", name=" + name + "]";  }  } |

|  |
| --- |
| Test.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  **import** org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;  **import** org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;  **public** **class** Test {  **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {  ApplicationContext ctx = **new** ClassPathXmlApplicationContext(  "com/samsonmarikwa/springframework/stereotype/annotations/config.xml");  Instructor instructor = (Instructor) ctx.getBean("instr");  System.out.println(instructor.hashCode());    Instructor instructor2 = (Instructor) ctx.getBean("instr");  System.out.println(instructor2.hashCode());  }  } |

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| --- |
| Output |
| 2020152163  1104443373 |

**@Value Annotation**

We use the @Value annotation to assign values to the properties or fields of the objects. Assigning values to Collection types is different to how it is done with Primitive types.

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| Primitive Types | @Value(“20”) – Integers will need parsing  @Value(“Core Java”) |
| Collection Types | util:CN id=”myList” this is defined in XML config  @Value(“#{myList}”) |
| Object Types | @Autowired – we use @Autowired to inject the object |

**Injecting Primitive Types**

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| --- |
| Instructor.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Value;  **import** org.springframework.context.annotation.Scope;  **import** org.springframework.stereotype.Component;  @Component("instr")  @Scope("prototype")  **public** **class** Instructor {    @Value("10")  **private** **int** id;    @Value("Samson Marikwa")  **private** String name;  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Instructor [id=" + id + ", name=" + name + "]";  }  } |



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| Output |
| Instructor [id=10, name=Samson Marikwa]  Instructor [id=10, name=Samson Marikwa] |

**Injecting Collection Types**



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| --- |
| Config.xml |
| <?xml version=*"1.0"* encoding=*"UTF-8"*?>  <beans xmlns=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"*  xmlns:xsi=*"http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"*  xmlns:context=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"*  xmlns:p=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/p"*  xmlns:c=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/c"*  xmlns:util=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/util"*  xsi:schemaLocation=*"http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/util*  *http://www.springframework.org/schema/util/spring-util.xsd"*>  <context:component-scan base-package=*"com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations"* />    <util:set set-class=*"java.util.TreeSet"* id=*"topics"*>  <value>Java Web Services</value>  <value>Javascript</value>  <value>Typescript</value>  </util:set>  </beans> |

|  |
| --- |
| Instructor.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  **import** java.util.List;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Value;  **import** org.springframework.context.annotation.Scope;  **import** org.springframework.stereotype.Component;  @Component("instr")  @Scope("prototype")  **public** **class** Instructor {  @Value("10")  **private** **int** id;  @Value("Samson Marikwa")  **private** String name;  @Value("#{topics}")  **private** List<String> topics;  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Instructor [id=" + id + ", name=" + name + ", topics=" + topics + "]";  }  } |

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| --- |
| Output |
| Instructor [id=10, name=Samson Marikwa, topics=[Java Web Services, Javascript, Typescript]]  Instructor [id=10, name=Samson Marikwa, topics=[Java Web Services, Javascript, Typescript]] |

**Injecting Objects of Reference Types**

We use the @Autowired annotation to inject dependent objects / beans of Reference types.



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| Instructor.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  **import** java.util.List;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Value;  **import** org.springframework.context.annotation.Scope;  **import** org.springframework.stereotype.Component;  @Component("instr")  @Scope("prototype")  **public** **class** Instructor {  @Value("10")  **private** **int** id;  @Value("Samson Marikwa")  **private** String name;  @Value("#{topics}")  **private** List<String> topics;  @Autowired  **private** Profile profile;  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Instructor [id=" + id + ", name=" + name + ", topics=" + topics + ", profile=" + profile + "]";  }  } |



|  |
| --- |
| Profile.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Value;  **import** org.springframework.stereotype.Component;  @Component  **public** **class** Profile {    @Value("Java Architect and Instructor")  **private** String title;    @Value("My Own Company")  **private** String company;  **public** String getTitle() {  **return** title;  }  @Override  **public** String toString() {  **return** "Profile [title=" + title + ", company=" + company + "]";  }  } |

|  |
| --- |
| Output |
| Instructor [id=10, name=Samson Marikwa, topics=[Java Web Services, Javascript, Typescript], profile=Profile [title=Java Architect and Instructor, company=My Own Company]]  Instructor [id=10, name=Samson Marikwa, topics=[Java Web Services, Javascript, Typescript], profile=Profile [title=Java Architect and Instructor, company=My Own Company]] |

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| **Spring Expression Language** |

Spring Expression Language or SpEL using the @Value annotation to parse an expression and return a value. It supports both primitive values as well as collections in the expression. An expression is a combination of classes, variables, methods, constructor and objects and symbols.

**Primitive**

@Value(“#{64+36}”)

The expression will be evaluated within the braces. An addition will take place and the value is injected where it is required.

@Value(“#{5>6?22:33}”)

33 will be injected into the field where we are using the @Value annotation.

**Static method call – T(class).method(param)**

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| Instructor.java |
| package com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  @Component("instr")  @Scope("prototype")  public class Instructor {  @Value("#{66 + 44}")  private int id;  @Value("#{T(java.lang.Math).abs(-54)}")  private int age;  @Value("Samson Marikwa")  private String name;  @Value("#{topics}")  private List<String> topics;  @Autowired  private Profile profile;  @Override  public String toString() {  return "Instructor [id=" + id + ", age=" + age + ", name=" + name + ", topics=" + topics + ", profile="  + profile + "]";  }  } |

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| Output |
| Instructor [id=110, age=54, name=Samson Marikwa, topics=[Java Web Services, Javascript, Typescript], profile=Profile [title=Java Architect and Instructor, company=My Own Company]] |

**Accessing Static Variables and Creating Objects**

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| @Value("#{new Integer(88)}")  **private** **int** id; |



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| @Value("#{T(java.lang.Integer).MIN\_VALUE}")  **private** **int** id;    @Value("#{T(java.lang.Integer).MAX\_VALUE}")  **private** **int** max; |

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| Output |
| Instructor [id=-2147483648, max=2147483647] |

**Creating a String Type**

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| Instructor.java |
| @Value("#{'Samson Marikwa'.toUpperCase()}")  **private** String name; |

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| Instructor.java |
| @Value("#{new java.lang.String('Samson Marikwa').toUpperCase()}")  **private** String name; |

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| Instructor [name=SAMSON MARIKWA] |

**Returning a Boolean**

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| Instructor.java |
| @Value("#{2+4>5}")  **private** **boolean** active; |

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| Instructor [active=true] |

**Returning a value from user defined bean**

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| Profile.java |
| **package** com.samsonmarikwa.springframework.stereotype.annotations;  **import** org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Value;  **import** org.springframework.stereotype.Component;  @Component  **public class** Profile {    @Value("Java Architect and Instructor")  **private** String title;    @Value("My Own Company")  **private** String company;  **public** String getTitle() {  **return** title;  }  } |

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| Instructor.java |
| @Value("#{profile.getTitle()}")  **private** String title; |



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| Output |
| Instructor [title=Java Architect and Instructor] |