Spring Core Workshop Lab 1

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1 Lab setup

Make sure you have the following items installed

- Latest version of JDK 8 / 11 (note: labs are tested with JDK 8 but should work on JDK 11 with no or minimal changes)
- Eclipse Enterprise Edition for Java (or a suitable alternative IDE for Enterprise Java)
- Latest version of Maven
- A suitable text editor (Notepad ++)
- A utility to extract zip files

In each of the main lab folders, there are two subfolders: changes and final. The changes subfolder just holds the source code files for the lab, while the final subfolder holds the complete Eclipse project starting from its project root folder. We will use the code from the changes subfolder to build up our applications from scratch and you can always fall back on the complete Eclipse project if you encounter any errors while building up the application.

2 Demonstrating IoC and DI

The source code for this lab is found in Basic-Concepts/changes folder.

Switch to Java Perspective.

Create a new Java project: DemoBasicConcepts

Create a new package com.workshop.original

Create these 3 original Java files in this package.

SwimmingExercise.java JoggingExercise.java Student.java

In Student.java, right click and select Run as -> Java Application

What happens if SwimmingExercise wants to change its implementation of doSwimming?

SwimmingExercise-v2.java Student-v2.java

What happens if Student wants to do Jogging instead?

Student-v3.java

Create a new package com.workshop.useinterface

Create these 4 original Java files in this package.

Exercise.java
JoggingExercise.java
Student.java
SwimmingExercise.java

What happens if SwimmingExercise wants to change its implementation of doSwimming?

SwimmingExercise-v2.java

What happens if Student wants to do Jogging instead?

Student-v2.java

Demonstrating Inversion of control (IoC)

Student-v3.java

3 XML-based configuration basics

The primary issue with creating an initial Spring project is to ensure that the relevant Spring module JARs are on the build path of our application. There are two main ways to ensure this:

- 1) Create a basic Java project. Download and include relevant Spring module JARs on the build path of our project
- 2) Create a basic Maven project. Specify dependencies for relevant Spring modules into POM.xml

The source code for both approaches is found in XML-Config-Basics/changes folder.

We will start with the first approach.

3.1 Basic Java Project

Switch to Java SE perspective.

Create a new Java project: XMLConfigWithJARs

In the src folder, create a file beansDefinition.xml

Create a new package: com.workshop.configxml

In this package, create 5 classes:

```
SwimmingExercise.java
JoggingExercise.java
CyclingExercise.java
Exercise.java
XMLConfigBasicMainApp.java
```

Notice that there is a syntax error registered on XMLConfigBasicMainApp as the relevant Spring module classes are not on the build class path yet.

In the project, create a new folder lib.

If you haven't already done so, download the latest Spring release distribution from the download link given in the workshop installation instructions and unzip into a suitable folder.

Copy and paste the following JAR files from the lib folder into the lib folder of your project.

- spring-aop-x.y.z.jar
- spring-beans-x.y.z.jar
- spring-context-x.y.z.jar
- spring-core-x.y.z.jar
- spring-expression-x.y.z.jar
- spring-jcl-x.y.z.jar

On the project, select Properties -> Java Build Path

Right click Libraries Tab, select Add JARs. Select all the 6 JAR files that you just pasted into lib. Click Apply and Close.

Notice that you can expand any of these JAR files to see its contents in the Referenced Libraries entry in the Package Explorer.

Right click on XMLConfigBasicMainApp and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct bean is created and its console log displayed in the Console view.

Change the contents of beansDefinition.xml to reflect different classes for favoriteExercise, for e.g.

```
<bean id="favouriteExercise"
    class="com.workshop.configxml.CyclingExercise">
    </bean>
```

```
<bean id="favouriteExercise"
    class="com.workshop.configxml.JoggingExercise">
    </bean>
```

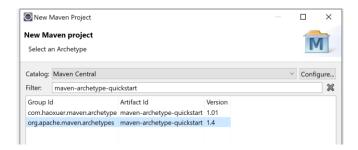
And again run XMLConfigBasicMainApp to verify that the correct bean is instantiated based on the console output to the screen.

We now continue with the second approach

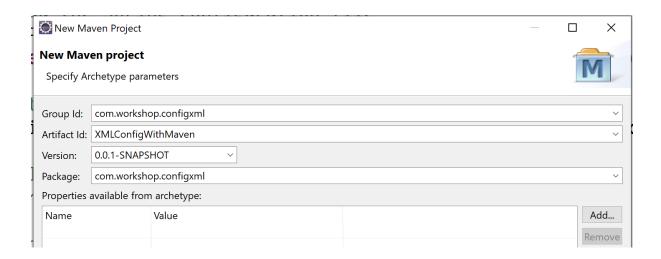
3.2 Basic Maven Project

Switch to Java EE perspective.

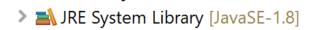
Start with File -> New -> Maven Project. Select Next and type maven-archetype-quickstart in the filter. Eclipse may freeze temporarily while it attempts to filter through all the archetypes available at Maven Central. Select the entry with group id: org.apache.maven.archetypes and click Next



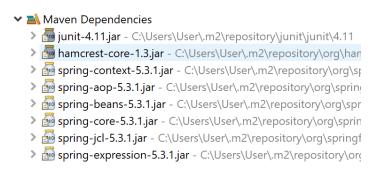
Enter in the following details and click Finish.



Replace the contents of the pom.xml in the project with pom.xml from changes. Right click on the project, select Maven -> Update Project, and click OK. You should see the JRE system library entry in the project list update to JavaSE-1.8.



You should also the following JARs automatically added as Maven dependencies



Right click on project and select New -> Folder. Create a new folder named resources in src/main

Right click on project and select Properties. Select Java Build Path and click on the Source tab. Select Add Folder. Tick on the checkbox for src/main/resources and click ok. Click Apply and Close. You should now see this folder being registered in the entries below the project name (all these entries indicate folders which are on the application build path).



In src/main/java, there should already be a package: com.workshop.configxml

Copy all the previous 5 classes from the previous project XMLConfigWithJars/src and place them in the same package com.workshop.configxml in this Maven project.

```
SwimmingExercise.java
JoggingExercise.java
CyclingExercise.java
Exercise.java
XMLConfigBasicMainApp.java
```

Copy beansDefinition.xml the previous project XMLConfigWithJars/src and paste it into src/main/resources in this Maven project

Open and right click on XMLConfigBasicMainApp and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct bean is created and its console log displayed in the Console view.

Change the contents of beansDefinition.xml to reflect different classes for favoriteExercise, for e.g.

```
<bean id="favouriteExercise"
    class="com.workshop.configxml.CyclingExercise">
    </bean>
```

```
<bean id="favouriteExercise"
    class="com.workshop.configxml.JoggingExercise">
    </bean>
```

And again run XMLConfigBasicMainApp to verify that the correct bean is instantiated based on the console output to the screen.

We can configure the IoC container ClassPathXmlApplicationContext to read from more than one XML configuration file at once in order to obtain bean definitions. Let's demonstrate this:

Make the following changes:

- Add backupDefinition.xml to src/main/resources
- Make the change XMLConfigBasicMainApp-v2.java

4 XML-based constructor DI

The source code for this lab is found in XML-Config-Constructor-DI/changes folder.

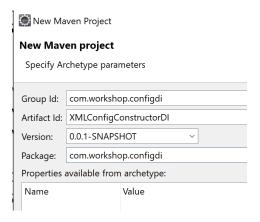
Switch to Java EE perspective.

Start with File -> New -> Maven Project. Select Next and type maven-archetype-quickstart in the filter. Eclipse may freeze temporarily while it attempts to filter through all the archetypes

available at Maven Central. Select the entry with group id: org.apache.maven.archetypes and click Next



Enter in the following details and click Finish.



Replace the contents of the pom.xml in the project with pom.xml from changes. Right click on the project, select Maven -> Update Project, and click OK.

Right click on project and select New -> Folder. Create a new folder named resources in src/main

Right click on project and select Properties. Select Java Build Path and click on the Source tab. Select Add Folder. Tick on the checkbox for src/main/resources and click ok. Click Apply and Close.

There are 2 approaches to specify constructor injection:

- Nest the child bean within the parent bean as a child element of the of the parent bean using the <constructor-arg> element
- Define the child bean separately and then reference it via the ref attribute of the
 <constructor-arg> element

4.1 Approach 1: Nest child bean approach

Place beansDefinition.xml into src/main/resources

Create the following classes in com.workshop.configdi

Create the following classes:

SwimmingExercise.java
JoggingExercise.java
CyclingExercise.java
Exercise.java
Student.java
HighSchoolStudent.java
CollegeStudent.java
XMLConfigConstructorDIMainApp.java

Open and right click on XMLConfigConstructorDIMainApp and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct parent and child bean have been created and their output logged to the console correctly.

4.2 Approach 2: Reference child bean separately

Make the following changes:

```
beansDefinition-v2.xml XMLConfigConstructorDIMainApp-v2.java
```

Right click on XMLConfigConstructorDIMainApp and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct parent and child bean have been created and their output logged to the console correctly.

5 XML-based setter DI

The source code for this lab is found in XML-Config-Setter-DI/changes folder.

We can create a Maven project from scratch, or we can make a copy from an existing one. We will make a copy of the previous lab project: XMLConfigConstructorDI

In the Project Explorer, right click on XMLConfigConstructorDI, select Copy and then right click in any empty space in the Explorer and select Paste.

For the new project name, type: XMLConfigSetterDI

Replace the contents of the pom.xml in the project with pom.xml from changes. Right click on the project, select Maven -> Update Project, and click OK.

Delete all the packages and files in src/main/java and src/main/resources. We will start populating the project from scratch.

There are 2 approaches to specify setter injection

- Nest the child bean within the parent bean as a child element of the of the parent bean using the cproperty element

5.1 Approach 1: Nest child bean approach

Place beansDefinition.xml into src/main/resources

Create the package com.workshop.setterdi and place these classes in it:

SwimmingExercise.java
JoggingExercise.java
CyclingExercise.java
Exercise.java
Student.java
HighSchoolStudent.java
CollegeStudent.java
XMLConfigSetterDIMainApp.java

Open and right click on XMLConfigSetterDIMainApp and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct parent and child bean have been created and their output logged to the console correctly.

5.2 Approach 2: Reference child bean separately

Make the following changes:

beansDefinition-v2.xml
XMLConfigSetterDIMainApp-v2.java

Right click on XMLConfigSetterDIMainApp and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct parent and child bean have been created and their output logged to the console correctly.

6 XMI-based setter DI - literal values

The source code for this lab is found in XML-Config-Setter-LiteralValues-DI/changes folder.

We can create a Maven project from scratch, or we can make a copy from any of the existing Maven projects.

Choose any previous Maven lab project to make a copy from, for e.g.: XMLConfigConstructorDI

In the Project Explorer, right click on XMLConfigConstructorDI, select Copy and then right click in any empty space in the Explorer and select Paste.

For the new project name, type: XMLConfigSetterLiteralValues

Replace the contents of the pom.xml in the project with pom.xml from changes. Right click on the project, select Maven -> Update Project, and click OK.

Delete all the packages and files in src/main/java and src/main/resources. We will start populating the project from scratch.

There are 2 approaches to specify setter injection with literal values

- Specify literal values directly in XML configuration file
- Load values from an external property file

6.1 Approach 1: Specify literal values directly in XML configuration

Place beansDefinition.xml into src/main/resources

Create the following classes in com.workshop.literal

SwimmingExercise.java
JoggingExercise.java
CyclingExercise.java
Exercise.java
Student.java
HighSchoolStudent.java
CollegeStudent.java
XMLConfigSetterLiteralValuesMainApp.java

Open and right click on XMLConfigSetterLiteralValuesMainApp and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct parent and child bean have been created and their output logged to the console correctly.

6.2 Approach 2: Load values from an external property file

Place highSchool.properties into src/main/resources

Make the following changes:

beansDefinition-v2.xml XMLConfigSetterLiteralValuesMainApp-v2.java

Open and right click on XMLConfigSetterLiteralValuesMainApp and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct parent and child bean have been created and their output logged to the console correctly.