Spring Core Workshop Lab 3

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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 Java-based configuration

The source code for this lab is found in Java-Config-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

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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: JavaConfigDI

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.

2.1 Basic configuration setup with @Configuration and @ComponentScan

Create the following classes in com.workshop.javaconfig

SwimmingExercise.java Exercise.java MainConfig.java JavaConfigDIMainApp.java

Open and right click on <code>JavaConfigDIMainApp</code> and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct bean has been created and its output logged to the console correctly.

2.2 Defining beans with @Bean and retrieving them

Make the following changes:

JavaConfigDIMainApp-v2.java
MainConfig-v2.java
SwimmingExercise-v2.java

JoggingExercise.java
Student.java
CollegeStudent.java

Open and right click on <code>JavaConfigDIMainApp</code> and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct bean has been created and its output logged to the console correctly.

2.3 Using @Primary to give higher preference to a @Bean factory method

Make the following changes:

CyclingExercise.java
JavaConfigDIMainApp-v3.java
MainConfig-v3.java

Open and right click on <code>JavaConfigDIMainApp</code> and select Run As -> Java Application. Verify that the correct bean has been created and its output logged to the console correctly.

Remove the @Primary on public Exercise cyclingExercise() in MainConfig and run the application again. Notice this time an exception is thrown as Spring is unable to determine which implementation for the dependency to use.

2.4 Injecting values using @PropertySource and @Value

Make the following changes:

Place highschool.properties in src/main/resources

HighSchoolStudent.java
MainConfig-v4.java
JavaConfigDIMainApp-v4.java

Open and right click on <code>JavaConfigDIMainApp</code> and select Run As -> Java Application. Notice that the correct values are read for HighSchoolStudent's fields.

2.5 Injecting collections

Make the following changes:

CollegeStudent-v2.java MainConfig-v5.java JavaConfigDIMainApp-v5.java

Open and right click on <code>JavaConfigDIMainApp</code> and select Run As -> Java Application. Notice that the correct values are read for CollegeStudent's collection fields.

2.6 Using @Component and @Autowired with @Bean

Make the following changes:

MainConfig-v6.java JavaConfigDIMainApp-v6.java HighSchoolStudent-v2.java CollegeStudent-v3.java

Open and right click on JavaConfigDIMainApp and select Run As -> Java Application.