

Design Options Explanation

Project Objective

Develop a **digital wallet service** that enables the creation and management of financial wallets while ensuring **integrity** and **consistency** of operations, even under failure scenarios or duplicate requests. The implementation uses **idempotency** to meet resilience and consistency requirements.

The **H2 database** was chosen to facilitate development, quick testing, and local application execution.

Functional Requirements

1. Digital Wallet Creation

- **Description:** The system must allow creating a wallet associated with a unique user.
- **Implementation:**
 - **Endpoint:** POST /api/v1/wallets
 - **Input Parameters:**
 - userId (User ID)
 - initialBalance (Initial Balance)
 - **Response:** Wallet details, including walletId, userId, and balance.

2. Idempotency Guarantee

- **Description:** The system must prevent duplicate wallet creation when multiple requests with the same **Idempotency-Key** are sent.
- **Implementation:**
 - **Header:** Idempotency-Key is used as a unique key to identify the operation.
 - **Storage:**
 - The key is persisted in the **idempotency_keys** table within the **H2 database**.
 - **Verification:** Before processing a request, the system checks if the key exists. If it does, the original operation's result is returned.
- **Result:** Ensures consistency and prevents duplication.

Non-Functional Requirements

1. Availability

- **Requirement:** The service must always be available in a local development environment.
- **Implementation:**
 - Use **H2 Database** in **in-memory mode** to simplify development.
 - **Spring Boot** ensures seamless initialization of the embedded H2 database.

2. Consistency

- **Requirement:** Wallet creation must remain consistent, even with repeated attempts.
- **Implementation:**
 - The **H2 database** supports **ACID transactions**.
 - The **idempotency_keys** table ensures consistency by storing the key and the operation result.

3. Performance

- **Requirement:** Operations must be fast during development and testing.
- **Implementation:**
 - **H2**, operating in memory, allows extremely fast access during local execution.

4. Testability

- **Requirement:** Facilitate unit and integration tests.
- **Implementation:**
 - H2 is ideal for tests as it is **lightweight**, **fast**, and requires no external installation.
 - During tests, the database can be initialized and restarted easily.

5. Simplicity

- **Requirement:** Simplify the setup and local development process.
- **Implementation:**
 - **H2** is configured in application.properties to initialize automatically when running Spring Boot.

Design Decisions

1. H2 Database Usage

- H2 was chosen for:
 - **Ease of use** during local development.
 - **Zero configuration:** Embedded database in Spring Boot.
 - **In-memory mode:** No files are generated, and the database restarts on every execution.

2. Idempotency Table

- A helper table **idempotency_keys** was created to store:

Column	Type	Description
key	VARCHAR	Idempotency-Key (unique key).
response	TEXT	Result of the operation.
created_at	TIMESTAMP	Record creation timestamp.

3. Stateless API

- The service was designed to be **stateless**, ensuring that each request is processed independently.

How the Implementation Meets Requirements

Requirement	Met By
Wallet Creation	RESTful endpoint POST /api/v1/wallets
Idempotency	Use of Idempotency-Key persisted in the H2 DB
Availability	H2 in-memory database + Spring Boot
Consistency	H2 Database with ACID transactions
Performance	Fast access to H2 database in memory
Testability	Lightweight, restartable database for tests

H2 Database Configuration

In the application.properties file, H2 is configured in **in-memory mode**:

```
# H2 Database Configuration
spring.datasource.url=jdbc:h2:mem:digitalwallet
spring.datasource.driverClassName=org.h2.Driver
spring.datasource.username=sa
spring.datasource.password=
spring.h2.console.enabled=true
spring.jpa.hibernate.ddl-auto=update
spring.jpa.show-sql=true
```

Accessing the H2 Console

1. Access the console at:

http://localhost:8080/h2-console

2. Configure the console:

- **JDBC URL:** jdbc:h2:mem:digitalwallet
- **Username:** sa
- **Password:** *(leave blank)*

Swagger Integration

Why Swagger?

- Facilitates REST API documentation.
- Allows testing endpoints directly through a graphical interface.
- Generates interactive documentation following **OpenAPI** standards.

Swagger Configuration

1. **Add Dependencies**

Add the following dependency to your pom.xml file:

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.springdoc</groupId>
  <artifactId>springdoc-openapi-starter-webmvc-ui</artifactId>
  <version>2.3.0</version>
</dependency>
```

2. **Access Swagger Documentation**

After starting the application, access the Swagger UI at:

http://localhost:8080/swagger-ui.html

Example: Wallet Creation Endpoint

- **Method:** POST
- **URL:** /api/v1/wallets
- **Headers:**

Key	Value
Idempotency-Key	123e4567-e89b-12d3-a456-426614174000

- **Body:**

```
{
  "owner": "Joao"
}
```

- **Response:**

```
{  
  "createdAt": "2024-12-17T20:17:28.879872",  
  "updatedAt": "2024-12-17T20:17:28.880872",  
  "id": 1,  
  "owner": "Joao",  
  "balance": 0,  
  "version": 0  
}
```

Benefits of Swagger Integration

- **Automatic Documentation:** All endpoints are automatically documented.
- **Interactive Testing:** Users can test endpoints directly in the browser.
- **OpenAPI Standardization:** Ensures the API follows market standards.
- **Easy Sharing:** The documentation can be shared with developers and stakeholders.

Execution

1. **Start the Application:**

```
mvn spring-boot:run
```

2. **Access Swagger Documentation:**

```
http://localhost:8080/swagger-ui.html
```

Future Improvements

1. Add support for **production databases** (PostgreSQL, MySQL).
2. Add **Redis caching** for idempotency key lookups.
3. Implement **JWT authentication**.
4. Improve monitoring using tools like **Prometheus** or **Spring Actuator**.