

Video 10: Spring boot @Profile Annotation / How Profiling works in Spring Boot.

Suppose you have 2 applications and 1 common code base.

code base → merge-like.

Application → Profile
↳ Sourcing

How will you make
sure bean is created
only for 1 Application, not
for other?

1 → @ConditionalOnProperty [Already seen]

2 → @Profile → [we will discuss this]

Technically Yes @Profile can achieve this requirement.

But it is used more for environment separation perspective
rather than application separation.

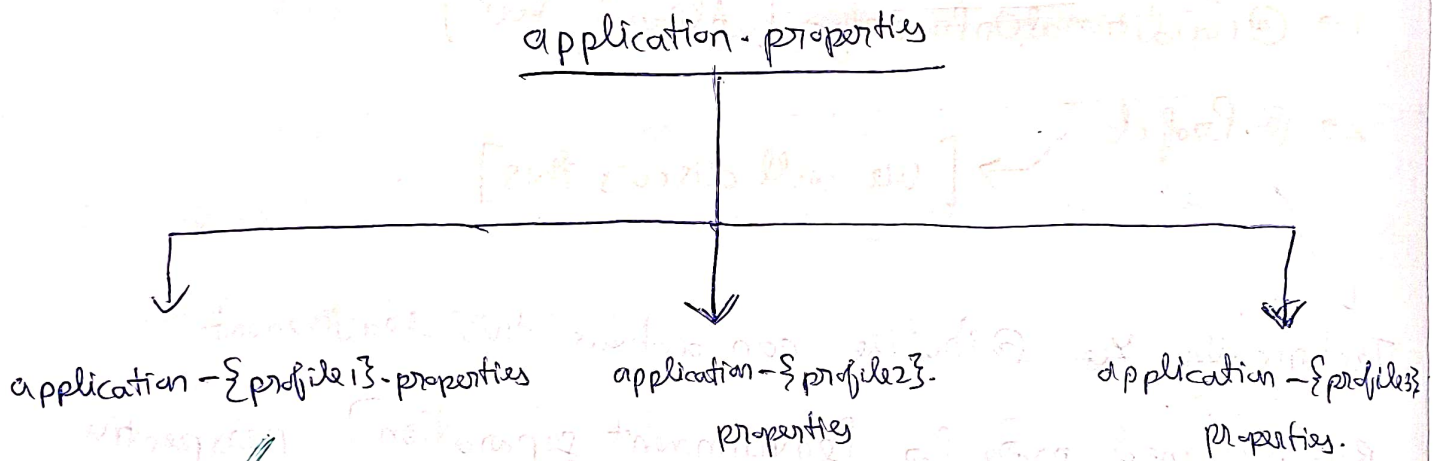
Lets for example consider configurations. Like Database Connections.

Dev → (Dev Username
Dev Password)

Qa → (Qa Username
Qa Password)

Q. We put configurations in "application-properties" file.
But how to handle different env configurations?

That's where Profiling comes into the Picture



Now this profile is nothing but env in Spring

{application-dev-properties}
username = dev Username
password = dev Password

{application-prod-properties}
username = ~~dev~~ prod Username
password = prod Password

{application-properties}
username = default Username
password = default Password.

→ No profile is set,
so default config
is picked up

@Component
public class MySQLConnection {

@Value("\${username}")
String username;

@Value("\${password}")
String password;

@PostConstruct
public void init() {

System.out.println(username + password);
}

 ↓ ↓
 defaultUsername defaultPassword

These two properties are to be picked up from config files.

Spring Boot checks which file to pick. It checks for @Profile. No such thing found. Pick default {application.properties} → (No profile)

Q) How do we choose which application.properties file to choose.

Using "spring.profiles.active"

tells Spring which Profile You are currently working at

application.properties
username = defaultUsername
password = defaultPassword
→ spring.profiles.active = qa

this is how Spring gets to know which one to use

application-dev.properties

username = devUsername
password = devPassword

application-qa.properties

username = qaUsername
password = qaPassword

application-prod.properties

username = prodUsername
password = prodPassword

* If a property is missing in "qa", it will pick that property from parent (application.properties)

But the above example is static only, but I want to be able to change things dynamically. How can I do that?

{2 Ways of doing that}

① Using VM arguments

```
mvn spring-boot:run  
-Dspring-boot.run.profiles=prod
```

→ this wins priority over {application.properties}

```
spring.profiles.active="dev"
```

(2nd way is using pom.xml)

pom.xml

<profiles>

<profile>

<id> local </id>

<properties>

<spring-boot.run.profiles> dev </spring-boot.run.profiles>

</properties>

</profile>

<profile>

<id> production </id>

<properties>

<spring-boot.run.profiles> prod </spring-boot.run.profiles>

</properties>

</profile>

</profiles>

(command)

mvn spring-boot:run -P production

profile

choose this profile of application properties

@Profile → [to be used for different environment and no Application]

Using @Profile annotation, we can tell Spring boot, to create a bean only when a particular profile is set.

@Component

@Profile("prod")

public class MySQLConnection {

@Value("\${username}")

String username;

@Value("\${password}")

String password;

@PostConstruct

public void init() {

System.out.println(username + password);

}

}

Now in application.properties we have set [profile=qa]

Spring while trying to create a bean of this class will check

@Profile("prod")

which is not matching

("qa") hence it will ~~not~~ get initialised.

(prod ≠ qa)

application.properties

username = defaultUsername

password = defaultPassword

spring-profiles-active = qa

[Here profile is set to qa]

application-dev.properties

username = devUsername

password = devPassword

application-qa.properties

username = qaUsername

password = qaPassword

application-prod.properties

username = prodUsername

password = prodPassword

But if we run using the maven command,

```
mvn Spring-boot:run  
-Dspring-boot.run.profiles=prod,
```

Then during Application startup logs will be like.

The following 1 profile is active: "prod"

(**)

we can set multiple profiles at a time.

[The following 2 profiles are active: "prod", "qa"]

application.properties

username = defaultUsername

password = defaultPassword

Spring.profiles.active = prod,qa

@Component

@Profile("prod")

public class MySqlConnection {

}

Both Beans will get created since profiles has both (prod, qa)

@Component

@Profile("qa")

public class NoSqlConnection {

}

But Imp (application.properties) will be picked of qa, The

Last one is the comma separated list of profiles