

Advanced Spring Topics

Martin Ledvinka

KBSS

Winter Term 2019



Contents

- 1 Data JPA
- 2 Paging, Sorting, Filtering
 - Persistence Layer
 - REST Layer



Data JPA



Spring Data Repositories

- Abstraction intended to significantly reduce boilerplate code of data access
- `Repository<T, ID>` interface defines basic interaction for an entity type `T` with identifier of type `ID`
- `CrudRepository<T, ID>` defines basic create, retrieve, update, delete methods
- `PagingAndSortingRepository<T, ID>` defines methods for paging and sorting
- `JpaRepository<T, ID>` for JPA
- `@EnableJpaRepositories` to enable JPA-based Spring data repositories
- Spring is able to generate implementation of such interfaces



JpaRepository

```
interface JpaRepository<T, ID> extends
    PagingAndSortingRepository<T, ID> {
    <S extends T> S save(S entity);

    Optional<T> findById(ID primaryKey);

    List<T> findAll();

    List<T> findAll(Sort sort);

    List<T> findAll(Pageable pageable);

    long count();

    void delete(T entity);

    boolean existsById(ID primaryKey);
    // ...
}
```



Queries

- Spring is able to generate queries based on method names mentioning entity attributes
- Language is restricted, but sufficiently expressive
 - `List<Person>`
`findDistinctPeopleByLastnameOrFirstname(String lastname, String firstname);`
- Custom queries can be provided:
 - JPA named queries
 - Using `@Query` to declare query directly on the interface method
 - By default using positional parameters
 - Use `@Param` to annotate method parameters for named parameters
 - `native = true` to mark query as native SQL
 - Can use SpEL expressions in the query



Paging, Sorting, Filtering



Paging and Sorting

- Pageable for page parameter specification
- Page as return value containing data page
- Sort for sorting specification
- Compatible with Spring data repositories

Example

```
// ...
Page<Product> findAll(Pageable pageable);
List<Product> findAll(Sort sort);
//...

Pageable sortedByPriceDesc = PageRequest.of(0, 10,
    Sort.by("price").descending());
Page<Product> result =
    productRepository.findAll(sortedByPriceDesc);
```


Paging in REST Services

- Page and page size as regular request query parameters
- Page result
 - Application listener to enrich response with HATEOAS paging headers
 - Links to next, previous, first, last page
- It is also possible to return links to other pages in response body

Example Response Headers

```
Content-Type: application/json;charset=UTF-8
Date: Sun, 17 Nov 2019 13:45:50 GMT
Last-Modified: Sun, 17 Nov 2019 13:44:45 GMT
Link: <http://localhost/eshop/rest/products?page=1&size=100>;
      rel="next", <http://localhost/eshop/rest/products?page=19&
      size=100>; rel="last"
```



Filtering Parameters in REST Services

- Can use `@RequestParam` to declare parameters for a REST endpoint
- But what if there are many parameters, often optional?
- Query parameters can be loaded from a map
- Combination of both possible

Example

```
@GetMapping(produces = {MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON_VALUE})  
public ResponseEntity getProducts(  
    @RequestParam(name = "page", required = false) Integer page,  
    @RequestParam(name = "size", required = false) Integer size,  
    @RequestParam MultiValueMap<String, String> params);
```



The End

Thank You



References

- <https://docs.spring.io/spring-data/jpa/docs/current/reference/html>
- <https://docs.spring.io/spring/docs/current/spring-framework-reference/web.html>

