# FilterFactory cleanup

Motivation:	FilterFactory2 causes some confusion
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Tagline:	Pull up methods from FilterFactory2

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## **Description**

Out of discussion with Micheal Bedward it seems that FilterFactory2 is the cause for some confusion.

Formally this is the difference between:

- FilterFactory strictly limited to the data structure defined by Filter specifications
- FilterFactory2 allows for extensions unique to the GeoTools project

Taking a look at the issue today I also note that many methods accept a literal ISO Geometry; since we don't use that in practice this results in a lot of useless methods that nobody will ever call.

### **Status**

This proposal is under construction.

Voting has not started yet:

- Andrea Aime
- Ben Caradoc-Davies
- Christian Mueller
- Ian Turton
- Justin Deoliveira
- Jody Garnett (current OSGeo representative)
- Michael Bedward
- Simone Giannecchini

#### **Tasks**

This section is used to make sure your proposal is complete (did you remember documentation?) and has enough paid or volunteer time lined up to be a success



- 1. Moves all methods into FilterFactory
  - Pull up methods into FilterFactory; update javadocs to indiacte what is "Strict" and what is a geotools extension
- 2. Allows methods that expected a literal ISO Geometry to accept a JTS geometry.
  - Change methods using an ISO Geometry to take a Object instead
- 3. Update default implementation

### **API Changes**

BEFORE

```
public interface FilterFactory {
    ...
    /** Checks if the feature's geometry touches, but does not overlap with the
geometry held by this object. */
    Touches touches(String propertyName, Geometry geometry);
    ...
}
public interface FilterFactory2 extends FilterFactory {
    /** Checks if the feature's geometry touches, but does not overlap with the
geometry held by this object. */
    Touches touches(Expression propertyName1, Expression geometry2);
}
```

#### **AFTER**

```
public interface FilterFactory {
    ...
    /** Checks if the feature's geometry touches, but does not overlap with the
geometry held by this object. */
    Touches touches(String propertyName, Object geometry);
    /**
    * GeoTools extension to check if a geometry touches, but does not overlap with a
second geometry.
    */
    Touches    touches(Expression propertyName1, Expression geometry2);
    ...
}
public interface FilterFactory2 extends FilterFactory {
    // empty
}
```

## **Documentation Changes**

Code examples won't be effected by this proposal.