What is the servlet?

Servlet is the technology that is used to create the dynamic web pages.

Pre-requisites

Apache tomcat server.

Eclipse for web

JDK install

Note-

- 1. Download the tomcat and install it or
- 2. Download the tomcat and keep in into C drive directly.

Difference between web server and application server.

Web Server	Application Server
Web server contain the web or servlet	Application server contain web and EJB
container	container.
It contain JSP, Servlet, HTML file	It contain the JSP, Servlet, HTML, EJB and
	JMS
Apache tomcat	JBoss, Weblogic, webSphere
It is the light weight components.	It is the heavy weight components

Why Server is needed?

If you don't use any server then whole project or web pages is stored into local hard disk. If someone wants to access the web site or project globally then how can access it? So every time he or she needs to use your laptop.

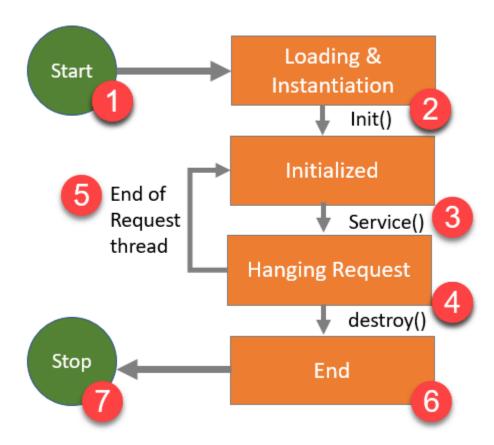
So to overcome this issue, server comes into the picture.

Download and install the tomcat server.

- 1. Use of bin folder->to start and stop the server
- 2. Startup.bat file is used to start the server.

The web or servlet container maintains the life cycle of a servlet instance. Let's see the life cycle of the servlet:

- 1. Servlet class is loaded.
- 2. Servlet instance is created.
- 3. init method is invoked.
- 4. service method is invoked.
- 5. destroy method is invoked.



As displayed in the above diagram, there are mainly three states of a servlet such as init, service and destroy.

1. Servlet class is loaded.

The classloader is responsible to load the servlet class. The servlet class is loaded when the first request for the servlet is received by the web container.

2. Servlet instance is created.

The web container creates the instance of a servlet after loading the servlet class. The servlet instance is created only once in the servlet life cycle.

3. Init method is invoked.

The web container calls the init method only once after creating the servlet instance. The init method is used to initialize the servlet. It is the life

cycle method of the javax.servlet.Servlet interface. Syntax of the init method is given below:

public void init(ServletConfig config) throws ServletException

4. Service method is invoked.

The web container calls the service method each time when request for the servlet is received. If servlet is not initialized, it follows the first three steps as described above then calls the service method. If servlet is initialized, it calls the service method. Notice that servlet is initialized only once. The syntax of the service method of the Servlet interface is given below:

public void service(ServletRequest request, ServletResponse response) throws ServletException, IOException

5. Destroy method is invoked.

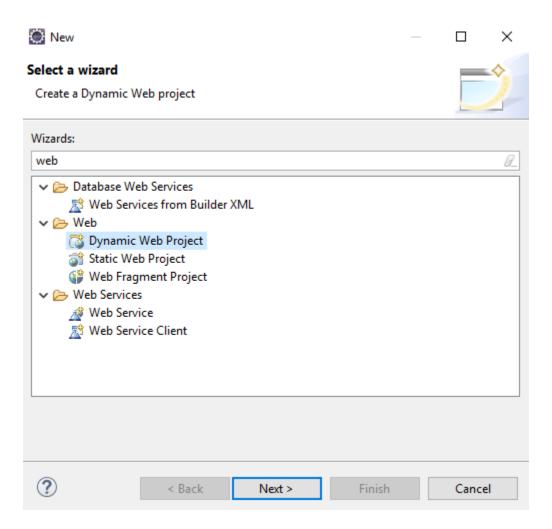
The web container calls the destroy method before removing the servlet instance from the service. It gives the servlet an opportunity to clean up any resource for example memory, thread etc. The syntax of the destroy method of the Servlet interface is given below:

public void destroy()

How to create the first servlet program.

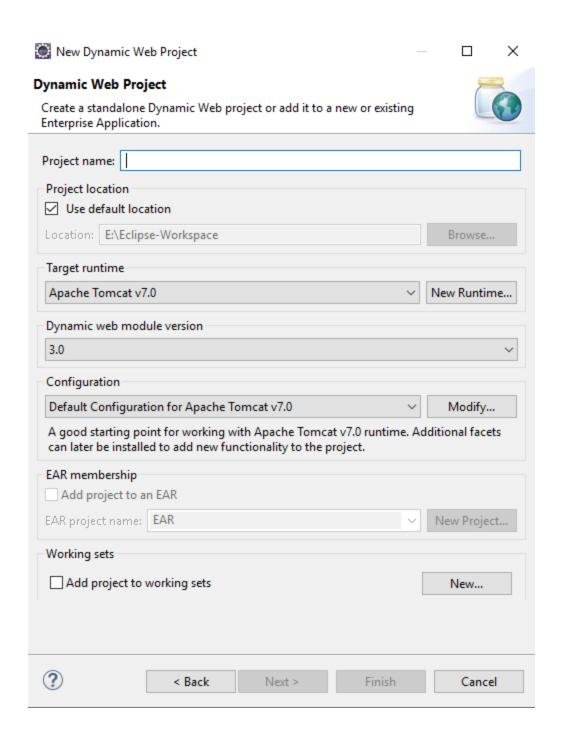
Open the Eclipse

Click on File icon-> New-> other-> Search Web

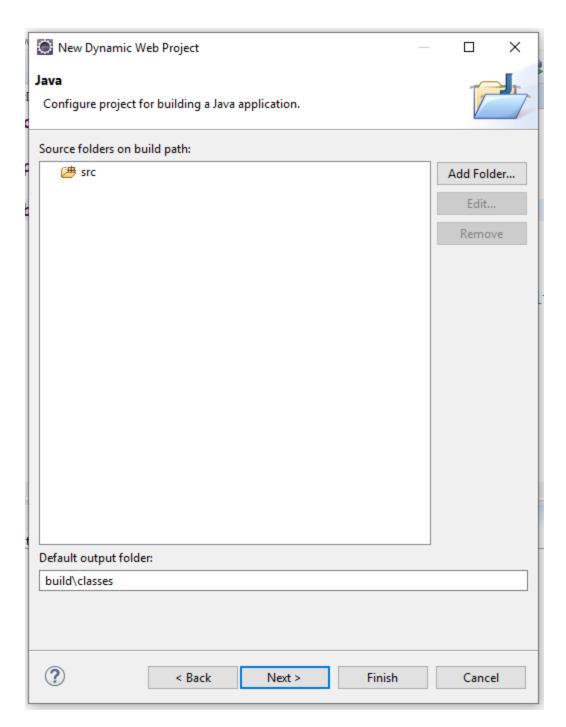


Select the Dynamic Web Project

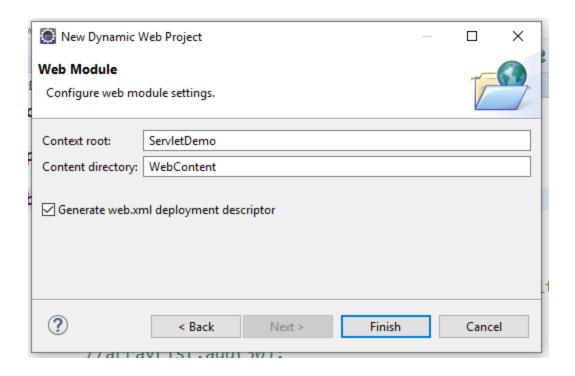
After new window will be displayed as below



Write the Project name as FirstServlet and then click on Next button

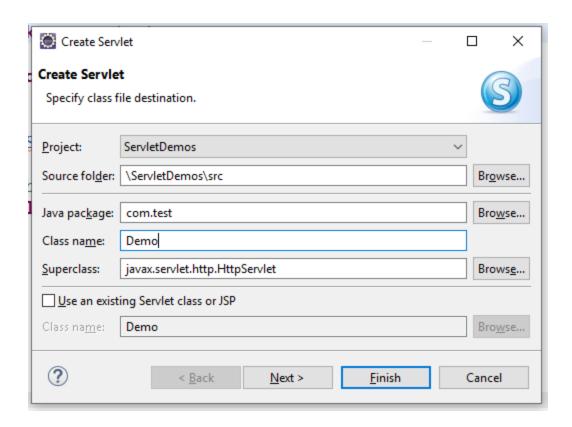


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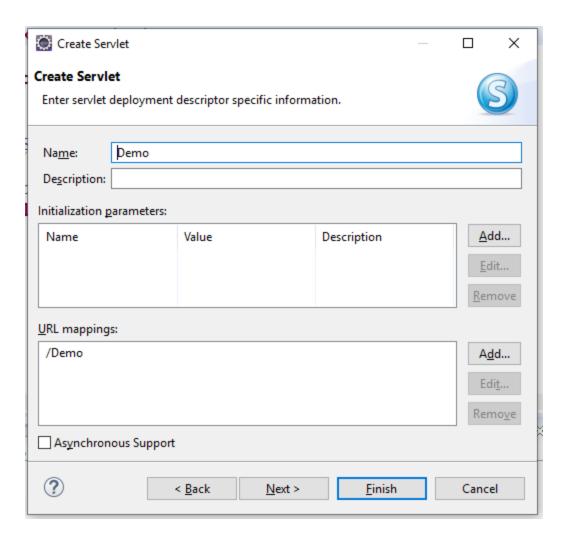


Select the checkbox as clickable then click on finish button.

Right click on Project->New->Select Servlet->



Click on Next Button



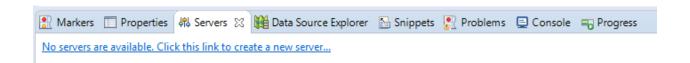
Click on Next Button

Uncheck the all and check only service option and then click on finish.

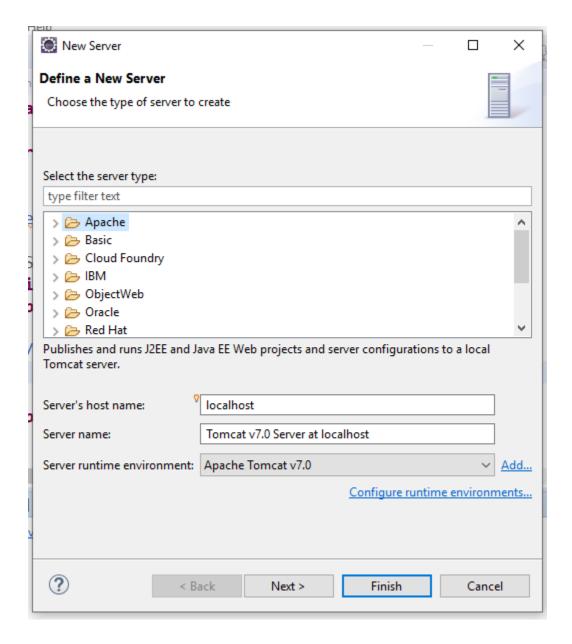
Right click on Project->New->HTML File-> enter the name for html file as simple.html

Add Server to run the web application.

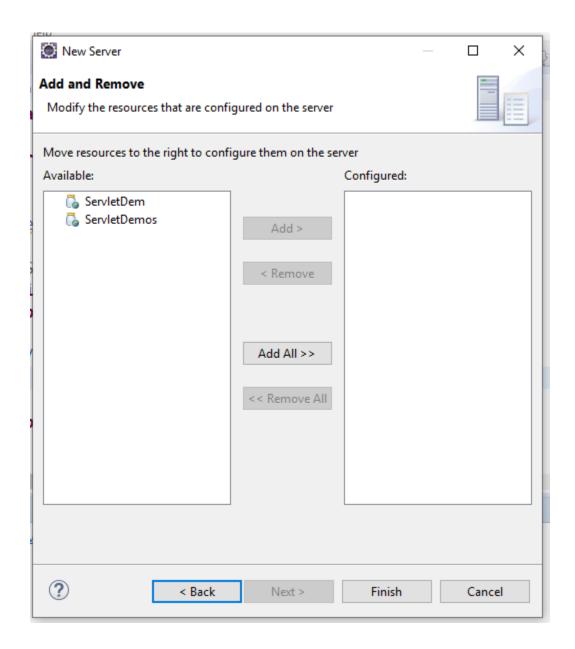
Go to Server tab->



Click this link to create the new server.



Select Tomcat v7.0 Server from Apache list and click on Next button.



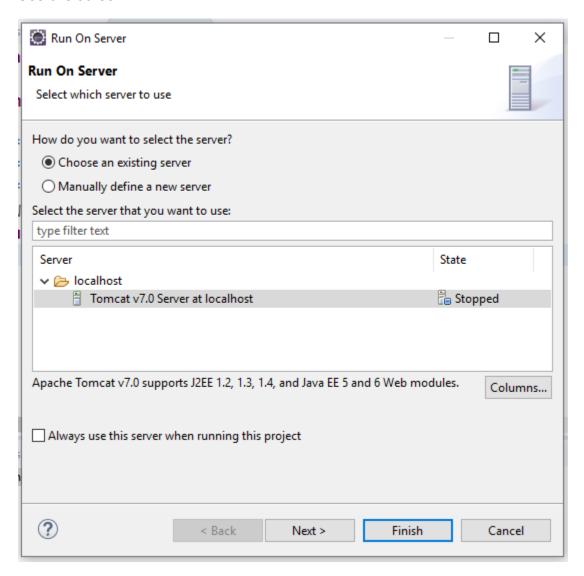
Select the project from the list and click on Add button then will see Project into configured

Then click on finish button.

How to run the Project.

Right click on Project-> Run as-> Run on Server.

See the screen



Click on Next Button-> Finish button.

Then will displayed the message on console.

Feb 03, 2021 11:47:44 AM org.apache.catalina.startup.Catalina start

INFO: Server startup in 11081 ms

It means server is started.

Project Structure

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ServletTest

→ ② JAX-WS Web Services

→ ③ Java Resources

→ ③ src

→ ⑥ com.test

→ ② Testing.java

→ Libraries

→ ③ JavaScript Resources

→ ② build

→ ② WebContent

→ ② META-INF

→ ② WEB-INF

② lib

③ web.xml
```

```
import java.io.IOException;
import java.io.PrintWriter;
import javax.servlet.ServletException;
import javax.servlet.annotation.WebServlet;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletResponse;

/**
    * Servlet implementation class Testing
    */
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```
public class Testing extends HttpServlet {
    private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;
    public Testing() {
        System.out.println("in testing constructor");
    }
    @Override
    public void destroy() {
        System.out.println("in destroy method");
    }
    @Override
    public void init() {
        System.out.println("in init method");
    }
    protected void service(HttpServletRequest
request, HttpServletResponse response)
            throws ServletException, IOException {
        System.out.println("in service method");
        response.setContentType("text/html");
        PrintWriter out=response.getWriter();
        out.print("<h1>This is the first
servlet.....</h1>");
    }
Web.xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<web-app xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-</pre>
instance"
```

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xmlns="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/javaee"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/ja
vaee http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/javaee/web-
app 3 0.xsd"
    id="WebApp_ID" version="3.0">
    <display-name>ServletTest</display-name>
    <servlet>
        <servlet-name>test</servlet-name>
        <servlet-class>com.test.Testing</servlet-</pre>
class>
    </servlet>
    <servlet-mapping>
        <servlet-name>test</servlet-name>
        <url-pattern>/welcome</url-pattern>
    </servlet-mapping>
</web-app>
URL-http://localhost:8080/ServletTest/welcome
Output-
This is the first servlet.....
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