

SERVLETS PART-5

The object creation order by web container:

- 1) ServletContext
- 2) User defined Servlet
- 3) ServletConfig
- 4) ServletRequest & ServletResponse

ServletContext is created by web container whenever web application is deployed on server.

User defined servlet object is created by web container whenever first request comes to a servlet.

ServletConfig is created by web container whenever init() method called by web container.

ServletRequest & ServletResponse are created by web container whenever service() method is called.

Request Parameters:

Request parameters are used to process the request & construct the response. Request parameters are retrieved in a Servlet by using getParameter() method of javax.servlet.ServletRequest interface.

The following methods of javax.servlet.ServletRequest are used to get the request parameters:

```
public abstract String getParameter(String);
```

=>It is used to get the request parameter value

```
public abstract String[] getParameterValues(String);
```

=>It is used to get the request parameter values

```
public abstract Enumeration<String> getParameterNames();
```

=>It is used to get the request parameter names

```
public abstract Map<String, String[]> getParameterMap();
```

=>It is used to get the request parameter names & values

ServletRequest & ServletResponse Example:

login.html

```
<html>
```

```
<body bgcolor=green text=yellow>
```

```
<center>
```

```
<h1><u>Login Form</u></h1>
```

```
<form method=POST action=login>
```

```
Username <input type=text name=uname><br>
```

```
Password <input type=password name=pword><br><br>
```

```
<input type=Submit><input type=Reset>
```

```
</form>
```

```
</center>
```

```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```

registration.html

```
<html>
```

```
<body bgcolor=green text=yellow>
<center>
<h1><u>Registration Form</u></h1>
<form method=POST action=reg>
First Name <input type=text name=fname><br>
Last Name <input type=text name=lname><br>
Username <input type=text name=uname><br>
Password <input type=password name=pword><br><br>
<input type=Submit><input type=Reset>
</form>
</center>
</body>
</html>
```

There are seven http methods:

- 1) GET
- 2) POST
- 3) PUT
- 4) DELETE
- 5) HEAD
- 6) TRACE
- 7) OPTIONS

GET Vs. POST:

GET

- 1) It includes the request parameters in a request header in a packet.
- 2) In this method request parameters are displayed in address bar.
- 3) Get requests can be cached.
- 4) Get requests can be bookmarked.
- 5) Get requests are stored in browser history.
- 6) Here size of the data is limited.(maximum 2048 characters)
- 7) It is not secure.
- 8) It supports text only.

POST

- 1) It includes the request parameters in a request body in a packet.
- 2) In this method request parameters are not displayed in address bar.
- 3) Post requests are never cached.
- 4) Post request cannot be bookmarked.
- 5) Post requests are not stored in browser history.
- 6) Here size of the data is not limited.
- 7) It is secure.
- 8) It supports all types of data.

There are three ways to write servlet program:

- 1) By implementing jakarta.servlet.Servlet interface.
- 2) By extending jakarta.servlet.GenericServlet class.
- 3) By extending jakarta.servlet.http.HttpServlet class.

GenericServlet Vs. HttpServlet:

GenericServlet

- 1) It is a protocol independent.
- 2) It supports common services.
Examples: Forwarding and Including.
- 3) By using GenericServlet we can access common services only.

HttpServlet

- 1) It is a http protocol dependent.
- 2) It supports http specific services. Examples: Redirecting and Session Tracking.
- 3) By using HttpServlet we can access both common services and http specific services because it is a sub class of GenericServlet class.

javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet

Methods:

- 1) protected void doGet(javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest, javax.servlet.http.HttpServletResponse)
throws javax.servlet.ServletException, java.io.IOException;
- 2) protected void doPost(javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest, javax.servlet.http.HttpServletResponse)
throws javax.servlet.ServletException, java.io.IOException;
- 3) protected void service(javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest, javax.servlet.http.HttpServletResponse)
throws javax.servlet.ServletException, java.io.IOException;

4) public void service(javax.servlet.HttpServletRequest,
 javax.servlet.HttpServletResponse) throws
 javax.servlet.ServletException, java.io.IOException;

doGet() method handles GET type requests only.

doPost() method handles POST type requests only.

service() method handles both GET & POST type requests.

To handle only GET type requests, override doGet() method only.

To handle only POST type requests, override doPost() method only.

To handle both GET & POST type requests and if the task is same then
override non life cycle service() method only.

To handle both GET & POST type requests and if the task is different
then override both doGet() & doPost() methods.

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