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## 20. Handling Form Data in JSP, Processing with Servlet, and Persisting into Database

**Aim/Objective:** To understand the how to fetch form data in JSP and handle the data by using Servlet and persist the data into database.

**Description:** The student will understand creating a web application that collects user input through a form in a JSP page, processes the submitted data using a servlet, and persists the data into a database using JDBC.

**Pre-Requisites:** Classes, Objects and Databases

**Tools:** Eclipse IDE for Enterprise Java and Web Developers

**Pre-Lab:**

- 1) Explain the concept of JSP and its role in web development. How does JSP differ from servlets? Describe the lifecycle of a JSP page.

JSP (Java Server Page) is a technology that allows embedding Java code directly into HTML pages to create dynamically web content. It simplifies the development of dynamic web applications by separating presentation and logic. Unlike servlets, which are Java classes handling HTTP requests, JSP files are easier. The JSP life cycles include translation, compilation, and destruction and JSP Page.

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2) Explain how a Servlet handle form data?

A servlet handles form data by ~~extracting~~ retrieving the submitted values from HTTP requests using methods like `request.getParameters("parameters-name")`. When a user submits a form, the servlet processes the data by accessing the input fields (e.g. textfield, radio buttons, checkboxes) from request object. This process typically happens within the `doPost()` or `doGet()` methods of servlet.

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In-Lab:

- 1) Develop a web application that allows users to submit their contact details through a form on a JSP page. The form data will be processed by a servlet and stored in a PostgreSQL database.

A. Set Up the Database

- a. Create a PostgreSQL database and a table to store the contact details.

B. Create a JSP Form:

- a. Develop a JSP page with a form to collect user contact details.

C. Create a Servlet to Handle Form Submission:

- a. Develop a servlet that processes the form data submitted from the JSP page.
- b. Use the servlet to validate and prepare the data for persistence.

D. Persist Data into the Database Using JDBC:

- a. Establish a connection to the PostgreSQL database.
- b. Insert the submitted form data into the database.

Procedure/Program:

① PostgreSQL ;

```
CREATE TABLE contact_details {
    id serial PRIMARY KEY,
    name VARCHAR (50),
    email VARCHAR (50),
    phone (15),
    message TEXT,
};
```

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## ② ContactForm.jsp:-

```

<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head> <title> ContactForm </title> </head>
<body>
    <h2> Contact Us </h2>
    <form action = "contactServlet" method = "POST">
        Name : <input type = "text" name = "name" required>
        Email : <input type = "email" name = "email" required>
        phone : <input type = "text" name = "phone" />
        message : <textarea name = "message" required></textarea>
        <input type = "submit" value = "Submit" />
    </form>
</body>
</html>

```

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### ③ contact servlet.java

Public class ContactServlet extends HttpServlet {

Protected void doPost(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) throws

ServletException, IOException {

String name = request.getParameter("name");

String Email = request.getParameter("email");

String message = request.getParameter("message");

try{Connection conn = toInnages.getConnection(user, pass);

user, pass);

PreparedStatement pstmt = conn.

prepareStatement(query) {

pstmt.setString(1, name);

pstmt.setString(2, email);

pstmt.setString(3, phone);

pstmt.setString(4, message);

int rows = pstmt.executeUpdate();

}  
}

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④ web.xml,

```

<web-app xmlns="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/javaee" version="3.0">
    <servlet-name>contact servlet</servlet-name>
    <servlet-class>contact Servlet</servlet-class>
    </servlet>
    <servlet-mapping>
        <servlet-name>contact servlet</servlet-name>
        <url-pattern>/contactServlet</url-pattern>
    </servlet-mapping>
</web-app>

```

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2) A Programmer, is developing a web-based calculator application for his client using servlets, JSP (Java Server Pages), and integrating with a database. The application allows users to perform basic arithmetic operations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and modulus.

Requirements and Implementation Steps:

Step 1: Design UI (VIEW) Using HTML

Step 2: Create a Calculator (MODEL) Class

Step 3: Create a Servlet (CONTROLLER) to Handle Requests

Step 4: Integrate with JSP for Dynamic Views

Step 5: Deployment and Testing

Procedure/Program:

## ① calculator.jsp:-

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
<h2>Calculator</h2>
<form action="calculatorServlet" method="POST">
    <input type="number" name="num1" >
    <input type="number" name="num2" >
    <select name="operation">
        <option value="add">Add</option>
        <option value="subtract">Subtract</option>
        <option value="multiply">Multiply</option>
        <option value="divide">Divide</option>
        <option value="modulus">Modulus</option>
    </select>
</form>
```

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## ② calculator.java:

```
public class calculator {
```

```
    public double add (double num1, double num2)
```

```
    { return num1+num2; }
```

```
    public double subtract (double num1, double num2){
```

```
        return num1-num2;
```

```
    public double multiply (double num1, double
```

```
        num2) { return num1*num2; }
```

```
    public double divide (double num1, double
```

```
        num2) { return num2>0 ? num1/num2 : num1; }
```

```
    public double modulus (double num1,
```

```
        double num2) { return num2>0 ?
```

```
            num1 % num2; }
```

## ③ calculatorServlet.java: (servlet to handle requests)

```
public class calculatorServlet extends
```

```
    HttpServlet {
```

```
    protected void doPost (HttpServletRequest request)
```

```
        HttpServletResponse response) throws
```

```
        ServletException, IOException {
```

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```

double num1 = Double.parseDouble(
    request.getParameter("num1"));
double num2 = Double.parseDouble(request.
    getParameter("num2"));
String operation = request.getParameter(
    "operation");
Calculator calc = new Calculator();
double result = 0;
switch(operation) {
    case "add": result = calc.add(num1, num2);
        break;
    case "subtract": result = calc.subtract(num1, num2),
        break;
    case "multiply": result = calc.multiply
        (num1, num2); break,
    case "divide": result = calc.divide(num1, num2),
        break;
    case "modules": result = calc.modules(num1,
        num2); break,
}

```

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### ③ Database Setup:-

CREATE DATABASE calulator~~db~~;

\C calulator;

CREATE TABLE calulator-history {

id serial PRIMARY KEY;

num1 DOUBLE, num2 DOUBLE, operation,

VARCARR(20), result DOUBLE

};

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✓ Data and Results:

The calculator application successfully performs arithmetic operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, modulus) and stores the calculation history in database.

✓ Analysis and Inferences:

The web application works as expected, allowing users to perform calculations and view results while the database stores each calculation for reuse - keeping,

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### VIVA-VOCE Questions (In-Lab):

- 1) What is the role of a servlet in handling form data submitted by a user in a JSP page?

A servlet processes form data submitted by a JSP page via HTTP requests, handling business logic & forwarding responses.

- 2) What is the difference between the request and response objects in servlets?

The request object receives client data, while the response object sends the server's reply to client.

- 3) Explain the process of sending form data from a JSP page to a servlet for processing.

A JSP form sends data to a servlet and using HTTP POST or GET method, which the servlet processes.

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- 4) What is the purpose of the web.xml deployment descriptor file in a Java web application?

It configures servlets, URL mappings, and other application settings for deployment.

- 5) How can you access the request parameters sent from a JSP form in a servlet?

Use `request.getParameter("parameterName")` to receive from data in a servlet.

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**Post-Lab:**

- 1) Write a code snippet demonstrating the use of JSP and servlet to handle a login form. Use a scenario where a user submits a login form, and the servlet validates the credentials. Your code should include the following:
- Create a JSP page with a login form that collects username and password.
  - Implement a servlet that receives the form data, validates the credentials, and redirects the user to a success or error page based on the validation result.
  - Test your program by submitting different login credentials to ensure proper validation and redirection.

**Procedure/Program:**

① login.jsp

```

<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<title>Login Form</title>
</head>
<body>
<h2>Login</h2>
<form action="LoginServlet" method="POST">
<label for="Username">Username:</label>
<input type="text" name="Username" required /><br><br>
<label for="password">Password:</label>

```

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## ② Login Servlet - Java

```

Public class loginServlet "extends HttpServlet"
Protected void doPost(HttpServletRequest request,
HttpServletResponse response) throws
ServletException, IOException {
String username = request.getParameter
("username");
String password = request.getParameter
("password");
If ("admin".equals(username) && "admin".equals(password)) {
response.sendRedirect("success.jsp");
}
}
    
```

③ <!DOCTYPE html>

<html>

<head>

<title>Login Failed</title>

<meta http-equiv="refresh" content="0; url=login.html" />

<head>

<body>

<h2>Login Failed</h2>

<p>Invalid Username or password - please

try again</p>

<body>

</html>

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✓ Data and Results:

The login form successfully captures the Username and password, the servlets validates the conditionally and based on validation.

✓ Analysis and Inferences:

The application demonstrates simple form handling, validation, and redirection, in a Java web environment.

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