Documentation

MyCoRe – WCMS-Module

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How does MyCoRe-WCMS work

Architecture

WCMS-module in general

User interface

templates xml files (web pages) misc. Web content (images, JavaScript, etc.) XSL Stvlesheets Admin interface

Servlets
XSL Stylesheets
Configuration
(mycore.properties.wcms)
Backup / Loggings

Abbildung 1 - WCMS module

The WCMS-Module in general consists of two main parts: User interface and admin interface.

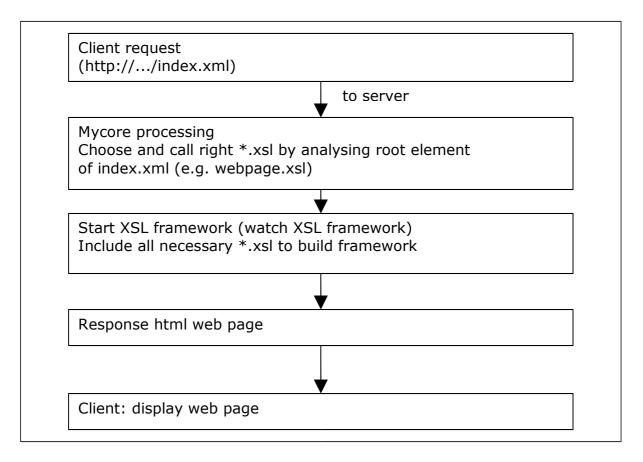
User interface is responsible for generation and providing of web pages.

It uses XML-Navigation Base to create menus, and XML-files for displaying right Web-Pages and a couple of XSL-style sheets to build the framework of the Website (watch XSL framework).

Admin module is responsible for management of web pages displayed by the User interface.

It uses Servlets to read, write... web content and modifications on navigation base.

How does User interface builds a web page



XSL framework

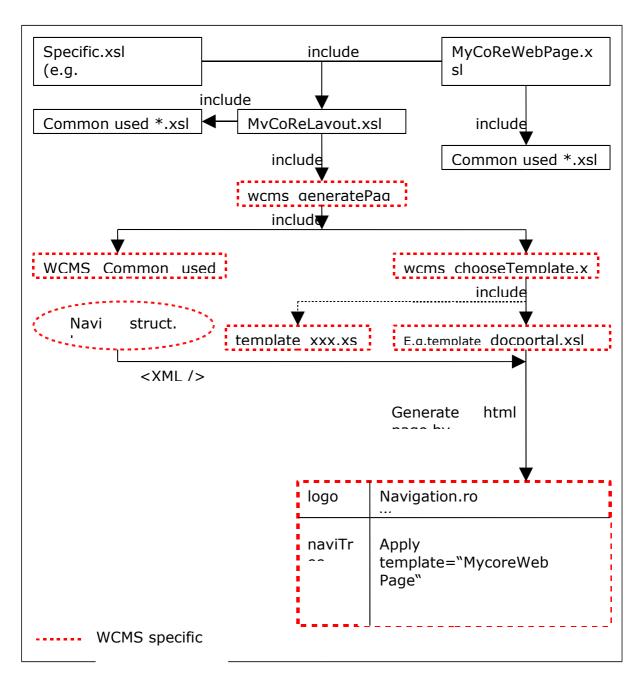


Abbildung 3 - XSL framework

Configuration

Manage access to WCMS with WCMSUserDB.xml

Introduction

The actual implementation of the WCMS doesn't allow to administrate any user data using a web oriented GUI. Thus, to add, delete or change users or user informations a system administrator has to configure the user database and possibly has to execute the userPassword encoder of the WCMS manually.

User database of the WCMS

The user database of the WCMS is a simple XML file called WCMSUserDB.xml. Each user got one entry in that database storing his usergroup he belongs to, his userID and userPassword and his real name. Furthermore a list of root nodes will be stored standing for elements of the navigation.xml under wich content can be changed.

There are 4 userClass definable:

- "systemAdmin" (do everything)
- "admin" (add, delete, edit, tranlate)
- "editor" (add, edit, translate)
- "author" (add, translate)

Location of the database

Normally the user database can be found at the following position:

\$MYCORESAMPLE HOME/modules/module-wcms/aif/config/WCMSUserDB.xml

Structure of the database

As already mentioned, the user database is a simple xml file storing user informations as attributes of the user element. The root nodes, under wich the user can add and change content, will be stored as child elements of the user parent element.

Example 1: WCMSUserDB.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
 <userdb>
  <user userClass="systemAdmin"
      userID="sysAd"
      userPassword="ee7c6277441abd6d87367c3a7c5312ee"
      userRealName="Systemadministrator">
   <rootNode href="no">navi-main</rootNode>
   <rootNode href="no">navi-below</rootNode>
  </user>
  <user userClass="admin"
     userID="admin"
     userPassword="953320848fa1ed55c09031bc45bc9369"
     userRealName="Andreas Trappe">
    <rootNode href="no">navi-main</rootNode>
    <rootNode href="no">navi-below</rootNode>
  </user>
  <user userClass="editor"
     userID="micedit"
      userPassword="ebb5d7efc0472ac77534a55a7d1ffd"
      userRealName="Michael Brendel">
   <rootNode href="no">navi-main</rootNode>
   <rootNode href="no">navi-below</rootNode>
  </user>
  <user userClass="author"
      userID="author ilm"
     userPassword="5a671c66aefea124cc08b76ea6d30bb"
      userRealName="Torsten Schmidt">
   <rootNode href="yes">
    /content/main/information/ilmenau.xml
   </rootNode>
   <rootNode href="yes">
    /content/below/ilmenau/diss_ilmenau.xml
   </rootNode>
  </user>
  <user userClass="author"
     userID="transengl"
     userPassword="583ce7497cda5ca007553ce902e"
      userRealName="Jutta Klein">
   <rootNode href="no">navi-main</rootNode>
   <rootNode href="no">navi-below</rootNode>
  </user>
 </userdb>
```

Adding a new user to the database

To add a new WCMS user to the database you have to edit the WCMSUserDB.xml file. At first the new user should be classified ito an userClass.

After the classification you have to select a userID and a userPassword

for the new user or the user has already given you a userID and userPassword he likes to use. Either way you have to encrypt the userPassword manually. This can be done by using the HashCipher.class of the WCMS. The HashCipher.class should be called like this:

CLASSPATH_of_WCMS:>java wcms.util.HashCipher Password

where CLASSPATH_of_WCMS is the JAVA CLASSPATH the Web application is looking for classes. Normally this should be:

\$MYCORESAMPLE_HOME/webapp/WEB-INF/classes

Password is the parameter wich will be encrypted. Copy and paste the output to the userPassword attribute of the new user. The last step to add a new user is to define his root nodes under wich he can add or modify content. A list of available root nodes can be found in the navigation.xml file. The navigation.xml file again can be found at the following position:

\$MYCORESAMPLE_HOME/modules/module-wcms/uif/web/common/navigation.xml

Valid root nodes are either complete menus like navi-main or navi-below (wich are elements of navigation.xml and mark the corresponding menu) or only parts of a menu. In the case of root nodes being only parts of a menu respectivly an item element in the navigation.xml file, the href attribute has to be used instead of the element name and the rootNode attribute "href" in the WCMSUserDB.xml has to be set to "yes".