

Documentation: Setting Up Automated Build Tasks for Various Programming Languages

1. Setting Up Maven for Java Projects

Maven is a build automation tool used primarily for Java projects. It manages project dependencies, builds, and deployment.

Step 1: Install Maven

Before setting up Maven, ensure it's installed on your machine:

- Download Maven from the [official website](#).
- Follow the instructions for installation:
 - For Windows: Add the Maven `bin` directory to your `PATH`.
 - For macOS/Linux: Use a package manager like Homebrew (`brew install maven`) or download it manually.

Step 2: Create a `pom.xml` File

The `pom.xml` (Project Object Model) file defines project dependencies, plugins, goals, and other settings.

Example basic `pom.xml`:

xml

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```
<project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
```

```
xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0
http://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.0.xsd">
    <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
    <groupId>com.example</groupId>
    <artifactId>my-java-project</artifactId>
    <version>1.0-SNAPSHOT</version>

    <dependencies>
        <!-- Add your project dependencies here -->
    </dependencies>

    <build>
        <plugins>
            <plugin>

<groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>

<artifactId>maven-compiler-plugin</artifactId>
        <version>3.8.1</version>
        <configuration>
            <source>1.8</source>
            <target>1.8</target>
        </configuration>
            </plugin>
        </plugins>
    </build>
</project>
```

Step 3: Create Build Commands

In your **CI/CD** pipeline configuration file (e.g., Jenkins, GitLab CI), set up the command to execute Maven:

bash

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```
# Build command
mvn clean install
```

```
# Run tests
mvn test
```

```
# Package the application (e.g., for deployment)
mvn package
```

Step 4: Integrate with CI/CD Pipeline

- For Jenkins, use the Maven plugin to set up build steps.
- For GitLab CI, your `.gitlab-ci.yml` file might include:

yaml

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```
stages:
  - build
  - test
  - deploy
```

```
build:
  script:
```

```
- mvn clean install
```

2. Setting Up npm for Node.js Projects

npm (Node Package Manager) is used for automating the build process of JavaScript/Node.js applications.

Step 1: Install Node.js and npm

If you haven't installed Node.js and npm, download and install them from the [official Node.js website](https://nodejs.org/en/).

Step 2: Initialize the Node.js Project

Create a `package.json` file by running:

```
bash
```

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```
npm init -y
```

This generates a default `package.json` that includes project metadata and dependencies.

Step 3: Add Build and Test Scripts

In your `package.json` file, you can define custom build tasks under the `scripts` section.

Example `package.json`:

```
json
```

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```
{
```

```
"name": "my-node-app",
"version": "1.0.0",
"scripts": {
  "test": "mocha",
  "build": "webpack --config webpack.config.js",
  "start": "node server.js"
},
"dependencies": {
  "express": "^4.17.1"
},
"devDependencies": {
  "webpack": "^5.0.0"
}
}
```

Step 4: Create the Build Command

In the CI/CD pipeline, specify the npm build command to execute:

bash

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```
# Install dependencies
```

```
npm install
```

```
# Run tests
```

```
npm test
```

```
# Build the project
```

```
npm run build
```

Step 5: Integrate with CI/CD Pipeline

For Jenkins or GitLab CI, the configuration might look like this:

yaml

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```
stages:
  - install
  - build
  - test

install:
  script:
    - npm install

build:
  script:
    - npm run build

test:
  script:
    - npm test
```

3. Setting Up Gradle for Android Projects

Gradle is a build automation tool widely used for Android projects and Java applications.

Step 1: Install Gradle

Download and install Gradle from the official website.

You can also use Android Studio, which comes with Gradle pre-installed.

Step 2: Configure `build.gradle`

In your Android project, the `build.gradle` file configures build tasks, dependencies, and project settings.

Example `build.gradle` (Project-level):

gradle

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```
buildscript {
    repositories {
        google()
        jcenter()
    }
    dependencies {
        classpath
'com.android.tools.build:gradle:4.1.2'
    }
}
```

Example `build.gradle` (App-level):

gradle

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```
apply plugin: 'com.android.application'
```

```
android {  
    compileSdkVersion 30  
    defaultConfig {  
        applicationId "com.example.myandroidapp"  
        minSdkVersion 21  
        targetSdkVersion 30  
        versionCode 1  
        versionName "1.0"  
    }  
}  
  
dependencies {  
    implementation  
    'com.android.support:appcompat-v7:28.0.0'  
}
```

Step 3: Create Build and Test Tasks

Gradle automatically generates tasks for building and testing the Android project. The most common commands are:

bash

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```
# Build the project
```

```
./gradlew build
```

```
# Run unit tests
```

```
./gradlew test
```

```
# Build APK for release
```



```
./gradlew assembleRelease
```

Step 4: Integrate with CI/CD Pipeline

In your CI/CD pipeline configuration file (e.g., Jenkins or GitLab CI), use the following commands:

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```
stages:
  - install
  - build
  - test

install:
  script:
    - ./gradlew clean

build:
  script:
    - ./gradlew assembleRelease

test:
  script:
    - ./gradlew test
```

4. Setting Up Webpack for Front-End Projects

Webpack is a popular tool for bundling JavaScript, CSS, and other assets for front-end web projects.

Step 1: Install Webpack

First, initialize a Node.js project with npm:

bash

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```
npm init -y
```

Install Webpack and necessary loaders:

bash

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```
npm install --save-dev webpack webpack-cli  
webpack-dev-server
```

Step 2: Configure `webpack.config.js`

Create a `webpack.config.js` file that specifies how assets should be bundled.

Example `webpack.config.js`:

javascript

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```
const path = require('path');  
  
module.exports = {  
  entry: './src/index.js',  
  output: {  
    filename: 'bundle.js',  
    path: path.resolve(__dirname, 'dist')  
  },  
};
```

```
module: {
  rules: [
    {
      test: /\.js$/,
      exclude: /node_modules/,
      use: {
        loader: 'babel-loader',
      }
    }
  ]
},
devServer: {
  contentBase: './dist',
  hot: true
}
};
```

Step 3: Create Build and Test Tasks

In the `scripts` section of `package.json`, add the following tasks:

json

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```
{
  "scripts": {
    "build": "webpack --config webpack.config.js",
    "dev": "webpack serve --config webpack.config.js",
    "test": "jest"
  }
}
```

Step 4: Integrate with CI/CD Pipeline

In your GitLab CI or Jenkins, configure the CI/CD pipeline like this:

yaml

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```
stages:
  - install
  - build
  - test

install:
  script:
    - npm install

build:
  script:
    - npm run build

test:
  script:
    - npm test
```