

Java Lecture 3

Maven; useful external libraries

What is Maven?

<https://maven.apache.org/what-is-maven.html>

“a tool that can now be used for building and managing any Java-based project”

“something that will make the day-to-day work of Java developers easier and generally help with the comprehension of any Java-based project”

Why use Maven?

It automates Java tasks such as

- Downloading dependencies

- Adding dependencies to build path

- Compiling source code into binary code

- Running tests

- Packaging code into “deployable artifacts” (JAR, WAR, ZIP files)

- Deploying artifacts to a server or repository

<https://www.baeldung.com/maven>

How is Maven different from Eclipse?

In addition to being a code editor, Eclipse also lets you

- Compile .java files to .class files automatically

- Run test cases using JUnit

- Add external libraries (you need to download them yourself and add them to the build path)

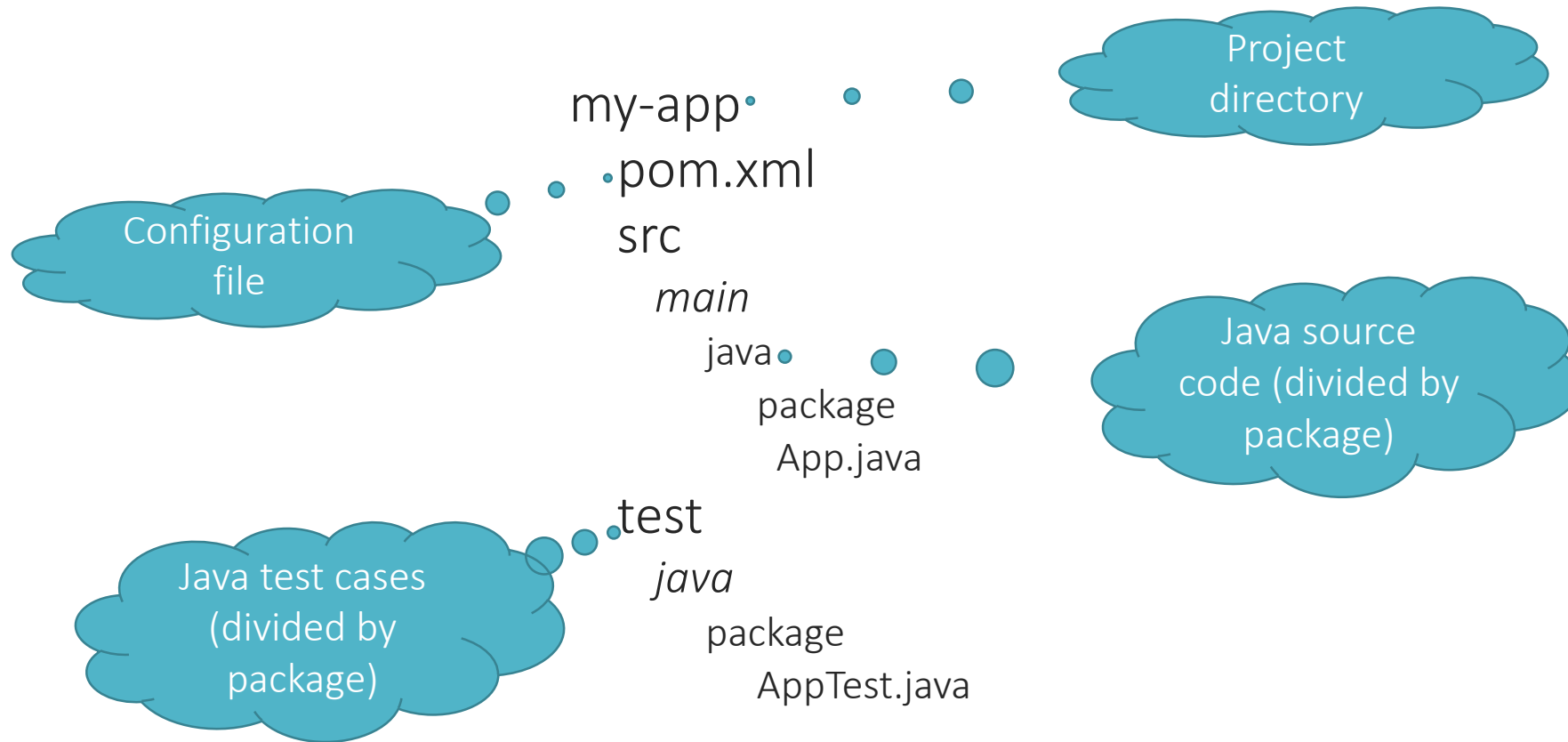
Maven lets you do all of that, plus ...

- Download, install, link against, and update external libraries automatically

- Package up versions of your code to install/run elsewhere

(Note: you can run Maven in Eclipse and you will do so in the lab later)

Directory structure for a Maven project




Maven configuration file: pom.xml (POM: “Project Object Model”)

```
<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>

  <!-- content -->

</project>
```



This part is the
same in every
POM file

Maven “coordinates”

Project naming information:

groupId: unique in an organisation or project (e.g., **org.apache.maven** for Maven built-in projects, **uk.ac.glasgow.dcs** for Glasgow School of CS, etc)

artifactId: the name the project is known by (within the organisation)

version: an identifier for the current version

```
<groupId>org.codehaus.mojo</groupId>
```

```
<artifactId>my-project</artifactId>
```

```
<version>1.0</version>
```

Dependencies

Most projects depend on other projects to build and run correctly

Dependencies are specified as

- Coordinates (groupId, artifactId, version)

- Type: how it is packaged (usually **jar**, this is the default)

- Scope: where it is used in the project

 - Compile:** available everywhere in the project (building, running, testing, etc)*

 - Runtime:** not required for compilation, but is required for running and testing*

 - Test:** only needed for compiling and running tests*

You can also indicate whether dependencies are optional (e.g., only needed for running some parts of a project)

Dependencies example

```
<dependencies>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>junit</groupId>
    <artifactId>junit</artifactId>
    <version>4.12</version>
    <type>jar</type>
    <scope>test</scope>
    <optional>true</optional>
  </dependency>
  ...
</dependencies>
```

Properties

Used to configure aspects of how Maven is run (e.g., Java language version, source encoding)

```
<properties>  
    <maven.compiler.source>1.7</maven.compiler.source>  
    <maven.compiler.target>1.7</maven.compiler.target>  
    <project.build.sourceEncoding>UTF-8</project.build.sourceEncoding>  
    <project.reporting.outputEncoding>UTF-8</project.reporting.outputEncoding>  
</properties>
```

Configuring plugins

Plugins are used by Maven to control aspects of the building, testing, etc processes

Details of plugin and configuration are also specified in the pom.xml file

- Under the `<build>` element, within the `<plugins>` element

Plugins specified with

- Coordinates

- Additional configuration information relevant to the specific plugin

Plugin example

<build>

...

<plugins>

<plugin>

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

<artifactId>maven-jar-plugin</artifactId>

<version>2.6</version>

<configuration>

<classifier>test</classifier>

</configuration>

<dependencies>...</dependencies>

<executions>...</executions>

</plugin>

</plugins>

</build>

A note about Java 9+

Maven by default uses an old compiler that is not compatible with Java 9+
To fix this, you need to add the following to your **pom.xml**:

```
<properties>
  <maven.compiler.release>12</maven.compiler.release>
</properties>

<build>
  <pluginManagement>
    <plugins>
      <plugin>
        <groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>
        <artifactId>maven-compiler-plugin</artifactId>
        <version>3.8.1</version>
      </plugin>
    </plugins>
  </pluginManagement>
</build>
```

Main phases in the Maven lifecycle

compile: compile the source code of the project

test: test the compiled source code using a suitable unit testing framework. These tests should not require the code be packaged or deployed

package: take the compiled code and package it in its distributable format, such as a JAR.

verify: run any checks to verify the package is valid and meets quality criteria

install: install the package into the local repository, for use as a dependency in other projects locally

deploy: done in an integration or release environment, copies the final package to the remote repository for sharing with other developers and projects.

clean: cleans up artifacts created by prior builds

site: generates site documentation for this project

How to run Maven (command line*)

1. Go to the top-level directory (i.e., the directory containing **pom.xml** and **src** and **target** subdirectories)
2. Type **mvn** with the appropriate phase name(s); e.g.,
 1. **mvn package** to build the package
 2. **mvn clean** to clean up everything created by prior builds
 3. **mvn test** to test the compiled sources

Useful external libraries

External libraries

One big advantage of building with Maven: it is extremely easy to add external libraries (i.e., libraries that aren't built into Java) to your project

Repository of packages: Maven Repository at <https://search.maven.org/>

Library details from central repository

 The Central Repository

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commons collections apache

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[org.apache.commons : commons-collections4 : 4.4](#)

Click on a link above to browse the repository.

Project Information

GroupId:

ArtifactId:

Version:

Dependency Information

Apache Maven

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.apache.commons</groupId>
  <artifactId>commons-collections4</artifactId>
  <version>4.4</version>
</dependency>
```

Apache Buildr

```
'org.apache.commons:commons-collections4:jar:4.4'
```

Apache Ivy

```
<dependency org="org.apache.commons" name="commons-co
```

Project Object Model (POM)

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?><!--
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distributed under the License is distributed on an "AS IS" BASIS,
WITHOUT WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS OF ANY KIND, either express or implied.
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limitations under the License.
--><project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  <groupId>org.apache.commons</groupId>
  <artifactId>commons-parent</artifactId>
  <version>48</version>
</parent>
<modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
<artifactId>commons-collections4</artifactId>
<version>4.4</version>
<name>Apache Commons Collections</name>
```

Zoomed in ...

Add this information to your **pom.xml** and you can use this library in your project!

Project Information

GroupId:

ArtifactId:

Version:

Dependency Information

Apache Maven

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.apache.commons</groupId>
  <artifactId>commons-collections4</artifactId>
  <version>4.4</version>
</dependency>
```

Some useful external libraries

(List adapted from <https://dzone.com/articles/20-useful-open-source-libraries-for-java-programme>)

Logging libraries: Log4j, SLF4j, LogBack

JSON parsing libraries: Jackson, Gson

Unit testing: JUnit, Mockito, PowerMock

General purpose libraries (more useful versions of built-in classes): Apache Commons, Google Guava

Enhanced Collections: Commons Collections, Goldman Sachs collections, Google collections, Trove, FastUtil

Example: including Google Collections in a project

```
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  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>uk.ac.glasgow.dcs</groupId>
  <artifactId>my-project</artifactId>
  <version>1.0</version>
  <dependencies>
    <dependency>
      <groupId>com.google.guava</groupId>
      <artifactId>guava</artifactId>
      <version>28.1-jre</version>
    </dependency>
  </dependencies>
</project>
```

Then, in your code ...

```
import com.google.common.collect.Multiset;
import com.google.common.collect.HashMultiset;

public class GuavaTester {
```

```
    public static void main(String args[]) {
```

```
        //create a multiset collection
```

```
        Multiset<String> multiset =
        HashMultiset.create();
```

```
        multiset.add("a");
```

```
        multiset.add("b");
```

```
        multiset.add("c");
```

```
        multiset.add("d");
```

```
        multiset.add("a");
```

```
        multiset.add("b");
```

```
        multiset.add("c");
```

```
        //print the occurrence of an element
```

```
        System.out.println("Occurrence of 'b' :
        "+multiset.count("b"));
```

```
        //print the total size of the multiset
```

```
        System.out.println("Total Size :
        "+multiset.size());
```