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Implementing AEM Servlets for Page Creation and Content Search

1. Introduction

This guide walks you through the process of creating three essential servlets in **Adobe Experience Manager (AEM)**. These servlets will help you automate page creation and perform content searches efficiently:

- **SampleServlet:** A basic servlet using `SlingAllMethodsServlet`, registered via `resourceType`.
 - **CreatePageServlet:** A servlet that dynamically creates pages using `SlingSafeMethodsServlet`, registered via path.
 - **SearchServlet:** A servlet designed to search content with the help of `PredicateMap` and AEM's Query Builder API.
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2. Prerequisites

Before we dive into the implementation, make sure you have the following ready:

- A running AEM instance (preferably AEM 6.x or above).
 - Basic knowledge of **Java**, **Servlets**, and **AEM development**.
 - An AEM project set up using **Maven**.
 - Access to **CRXDE Lite** and AEM's **OSGi Configuration Console**.
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3. Creating SampleServlet

The **SampleServlet** is a simple servlet designed to demonstrate the basics of servlet implementation in AEM.

```
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingAllMethodsServlet;
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingSafeMethodsServlet;
import org.apache.sling.api.resource.Resource;
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.Servlet;
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingHttpServletRequest;
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingHttpServletResponse;
import org.osgi.service.component.annotations.Component;
import javax.servlet.Servlet;
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import java.io.IOException;

@Component(
    service = Servlet.class,
    property = {
        "sling.servlet.resourceTypes=myproject/components/sample",
        "sling.servlet.methods=GET"
    }
)

public class SampleServlet extends SlingAllMethodsServlet {

    @Override
    protected void doGet(SlingHttpServletRequest request, SlingHttpServletResponse
response) throws IOException {
        response.getWriter().write("Hello from SampleServlet!");
    }
}

```

4. Creating CreatePageServlet

```

import com.adobe.granite.ui.components.ds.DataSource;
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingSafeMethodsServlet;
import org.apache.sling.api.resource.Resource;
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingHttpServletRequest;
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingHttpServletResponse;
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.Servlet;
import org.apache.sling.api.resource.ResourceResolver;
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.ServletResolverConstants;
import org.osgi.service.component.annotations.Component;
import org.apache.sling.api.resource.ValueMap;
import com.day.cq.commons.Externalizer;
import com.day.cq.wcm.api.Page;
import com.day.cq.wcm.api.PageManager;

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import javax.servlet.ServletException;
import java.io.IOException;

@Component(
    service = Servlet.class,
    property = {
        "sling.servlet.paths=/bin/create-page",
        "sling.servlet.methods=POST"
    }
)

public class CreatePageServlet extends SlingSafeMethodsServlet {

    @Override
    protected void doPost(SlingHttpServletRequest request, SlingHttpServletResponse
response) throws IOException {

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

        if (pageName == null || pageName.trim().isEmpty()) {
            response.getWriter().write("Error: Page name is required!");
            return;
        }

        ResourceResolver resourceResolver = request.getResourceResolver();

        PageManager pageManager = resourceResolver.adaptTo(PageManager.class);
        if (pageManager != null) {
            try {
                Page newPage = pageManager.create("/content/myproject", pageName,
"myproject/templates/basic", pageName);

                response.getWriter().write("Page successfully created at: " + newPage.getPath());
            } catch (Exception e) {
                response.getWriter().write("Failed to create page: " + e.getMessage());
            }
        } else {
            response.getWriter().write("Error: PageManager is not available.");
        }
    }
}

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    }  
    }  
}
```

5. Creating SearchServlet :

```
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingSafeMethodsServlet;  
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingHttpRequest;  
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.SlingHttpServletResponse;  
import org.apache.sling.api.resource.ResourceResolver;  
import org.apache.sling.api.servlets.Servlet;  
import org.osgi.service.component.annotations.Component;  
import org.apache.sling.api.resource.ValueMap;  
import org.apache.sling.api.resource.Resource;  
import com.adobe.granite.ui.components.ds.DataSource;  
import org.apache.sling.query.QueryBuilder;  
import org.apache.sling.query.Query;  
import org.apache.sling.query.Result;  
import javax.servlet.Servlet;  
import java.io.IOException;  
import java.util.HashMap;  
import java.util.Map;  
  
@Component(  
    service = Servlet.class,  
    property = {  
        "sling.servlet.paths=/bin/search-content",  
        "sling.servlet.methods=GET"  
    }  
)  
  
public class SearchServlet extends SlingSafeMethodsServlet {  
    private final QueryBuilder queryBuilder;
```

```

public SearchServlet(QueryBuilder queryBuilder) {
    this.queryBuilder = queryBuilder;
}

@Override
protected void doGet(SlingHttpServletRequest request, SlingHttpServletResponse
response) throws IOException {
    String searchQuery = request.getParameter("query");
    if (searchQuery == null || searchQuery.isEmpty()) {
        response.getWriter().write("Please provide a valid search query.");
        return;
    }
    Map<String, String> searchCriteria = new HashMap<>();
    searchCriteria.put("path", "/content");
    searchCriteria.put("type", "cq:Page");
    searchCriteria.put("fulltext", searchQuery);
    Query query = queryBuilder.createQuery(searchCriteria,
request.getResourceResolver().adaptTo(Session.class));
    Result result = query.getResult();
    response.getWriter().write("Found " + result.getHits().size() + " matching pages.");
}
}

```

6. Conclusion

This guide demonstrated how to:

- Implement **SampleServlet** for basic servlet operations.
- Create **CreatePageServlet** for dynamic page creation.
- Develop **SearchServlet** for content searching using Query Builder.