

Enterprise Programming using JAVA

Chapter-2: Servlets

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Servlets with annotation

Whenever an `HttpRequest` comes from the client browser, the servlet container will map the request to the corresponding servlet based on the URL mappings provided in the deployment descriptor file – `web.xml`.

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For example: Consider the below servlet mappings in the web.xml file.

```
<servlet>  
<servlet-name>HelloServlet</servlet-name>  
<servlet-class>HelloServlet</servlet-class>  
</servlet>
```

```
<servlet-mapping>  
<servlet-name>HelloServlet</servlet-name>  
<url-pattern>/hello</url-pattern>  
</servlet-mapping>
```

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Here, whenever there is a “**/hello**” URL coming from the client request, we are mapping it to the “**HelloServlet**” class.

Instead of providing these mappings in the **web.xml** file, we can simply provide an annotation in the Servlet as below,

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```
@WebServlet("/hello")  
public class HelloServlet extends HttpServlet {  
    // Code to be executed...  
}
```

Java Servlets provides a number of annotations to allow users to declare servlets, filters, listeners in the **javax.servlet.annotation** package.

It also provides annotations to specify metadata for the components that are declared.

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Annotation Type WebServlet:

`public @interface WebServlet`

- Available in javax.servlet.annotation package.
- Used to declare a Servlet.
- At the time of deployment, the servlet container will identify and process the annotation and makes the corresponding servlet available at the specified URL patterns.

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we will create a simple HTML page to map the Servlet with the URL.

Example 1:

**Servlet annotated with only URL pattern:
index.html**

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```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<meta charset="ISO-8859-1">
<title>Home</title>
</head>
<body>
    <form action="hello" method="post">
        Welcome Page: <input type="submit" />
    </form>
</body>
</html>
```

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Servlet with Annotation Examples: HelloServlet.java

```
@WebServlet("/hello")
```

```
public class HelloServlet extends HttpServlet {  
    private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;  
    protected void doPost(HttpServletRequest request,  
        HttpServletResponse response) throws  
ServletException, IOException  
    {  
        // set the response content type  
        response.setContentType("text/html");  
        PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
```


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Servlet with Annotation Examples: HelloServlet.java

```
// Print hello message to the client browser in  
// response object  
out.println( "<h3>Hello, Welcome to parul  
University!!</h3>");  
out.close();  
}}
```

- When user clicks submit for the welcome page, container will process the “**@WebServlet(“/hello”)**” annotation and maps the “**HelloServlet**” class.
- As the method is mentioned as “**post**” in Html page, container will execute “**doPost()**” method in “**HelloServlet**” class.

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