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## STRUTS

Course Title :- Struts (1.x & 2.x)

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Pre-requisite :- Servlets, JSP

Course Objects :- Java web application development.

Q) What is not Struts?

⇒ Struts is not a web technology unlike Servlets & JSP.

⇒ Struts is neither J2EE nor J2SE (but uses both).

⇒ Struts is not a specification unlike Servlets, JSP, JDBC etc.

⇒ Struts is not meant for replacing Servlets or JSP (instead it complements them).

Q) What is a Struts application?

⇒ A Java web application that is developed using Struts is nothing but a Struts Application.

Q) What are the Java technologies (J2EE/J2SE) used in a Struts application?

⇒ Servlets

2) JSP

3) JavaBeans

Q) What is Struts?

⇒ Struts is an open source, Java web application framework from ASF.

⇒ Struts is a software product to be installed into a computer system in order to develop Java web application powered by Struts.

Q) What is the purpose of Struts?

→ Struts is used to develop MVC based Java web application  
MVC (Model View Controller).

Q) Can we develop a Java web application that follows  
MVC architecture without Struts?

→ Yes

→ Servlet technology for controllers development.

→ JSP technology for view components development.

→ Java Beans for model components development.

→ Developing controller components and view components  
only with Servlet technology & JSP technology support  
is complex.

Rapid Application development is not promoted. As a  
result, application development is ~~not~~ cost effective.

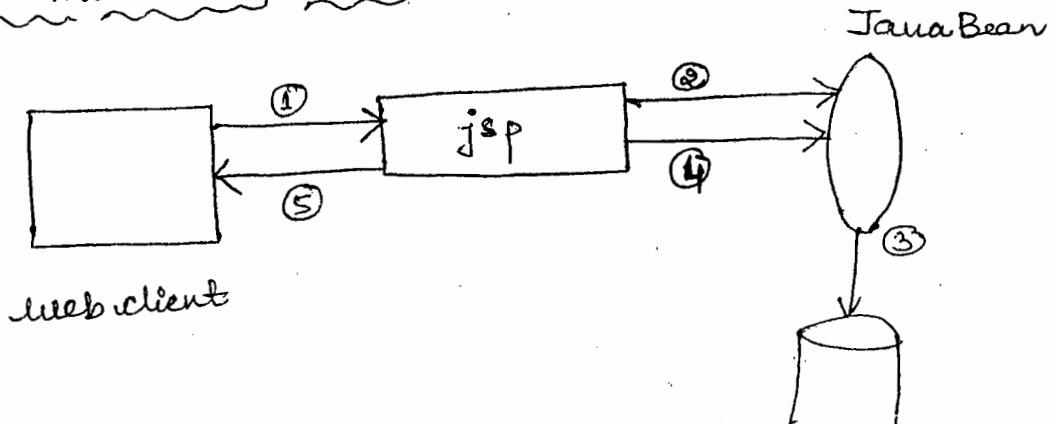
Q) Explain about JSP architectural models suggested by  
Sun Microsystems for Java web application development?

→ Sun Microsystems suggested 2 JSP architectural models  
for Java web application development.

i) JSP Model-I architecture (page centric architecture)

ii) JSP Model-II architecture (MVC architecture)

① JSP Model-I architecture :-



- ① JSP receiving the client request and capturing the user I/P.
- ② JSP invoking Java bean for data processing or processed data.
- ③ Java bean accessing the data from the database. Java bean processes the data & hold the processed data.
- ④ JSP accessing the processed data from Java bean.
- ⑤ JSP ~~sends~~ producing the response page for the client.

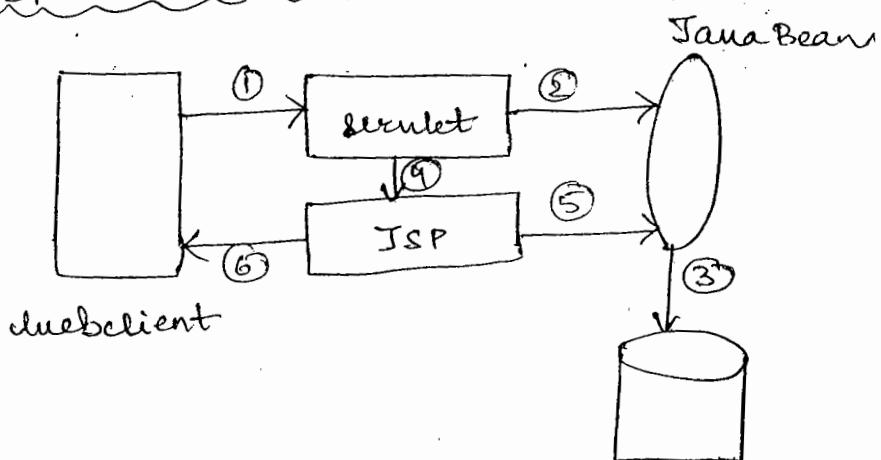
Note :-

In this architectural style of application development only data accessing and processing are separated from the web component.

Note :-

i.e.:- jsp still in a JSP flow control code and O/P generation code mixed. Therefore, this architecture is not suitable for large scale applications.

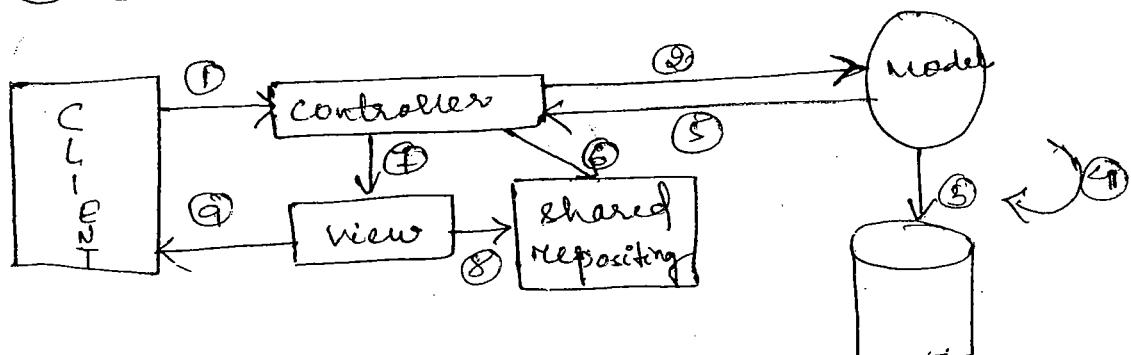
## ② JSP - model-II architecture :-



- ① Servlet receiving the client request and capturing with user I/P.
- ② Servlet invoking the Java bean or processed data.
- ③ Java bean accessing the data from database. Java bean processes the data and holds the processed data.
- ④ Servlet switching the control to JSP.
- ⑤ JSP accessing the processed data from Java bean.
- ⑥ JSP producing the response page for the client.

Note :-  
With little modification MVC architecture only currently followed in the industry for Java web application development.

MVC architecture :-



- ① Controller receiving client request and capturing the user I/P.
- ② Controller invoking the business method of business component (model component) for processed the data.
- ③ Accessing data from the database.

- ④ model component processing the data according to the business rule of the business organization,
- ⑤ model component returning processed data to the controller.
- ⑥ controller storing the data into the scope.
- ⑦ controller switching the control to view component
- ⑧ view component returning processed data from the scope.
- ⑨ view component processing the response for the client.

Q) what is the benefit of MVC?

- Ans) In MVC architecture style of web application development, three concerns are clearly separated.
- a) code that generates the output for the end-users.
  - b) code that takes care of work flow of the application.
  - c) code that processes data (after accessing from database).

→ Such clear separation of concern gives the following benefits.

- ① parallel development.
- ② code optimisation.
- ③ clear division of rules.
- ④ better code maintenance.
- ⑤ without affecting one concern, the other concern can be modified.

- (v) code generation tools can be effectively used to promote R&D.
- (vi) better productivity.
- (vii) cost effectiveness in application development.
- (viii) Code reuse.

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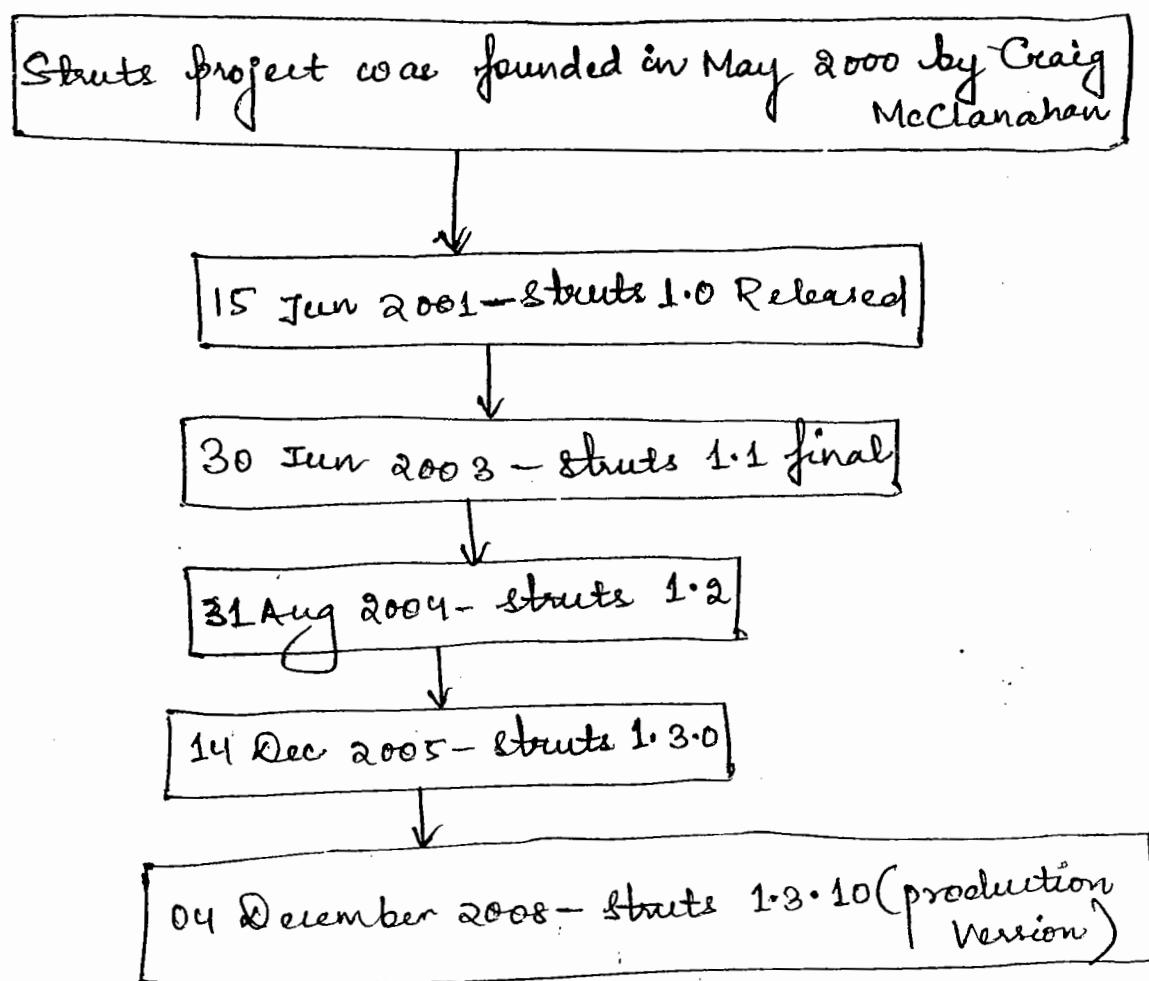
Q) what is open source software?

- A ~~closed~~ software is said to be open source software if its source code is publicly available.  
for eg. Linux OS, Struts, Spring & Hibernate.
- Closed source software's source code is not available ~~publicly~~ publicly.  
for eg. Windows OS.

Q) what is a java application framework?

- An application framework is a <sup>reusable</sup> semifinished application that can be customized to develop any specific application.
- A java application framework is written in java and is used in java enterprise application development.
- An application framework is meant for reducing the complexity involved in each partition(layer) of Java enterprise application. for eg. Struts in front-end part (presentation layer), Hibernate in back-end communication (data access layer).
- A framework is a tool kind of software which is a collection of java classes and interfaces that provides infrastructural services to java applications.
- Framework invokes application code & is proactive in providing the service to the application. where as, API is reactive and it doesn't call your application code.

Q) Give a note on evolution of Struts ?

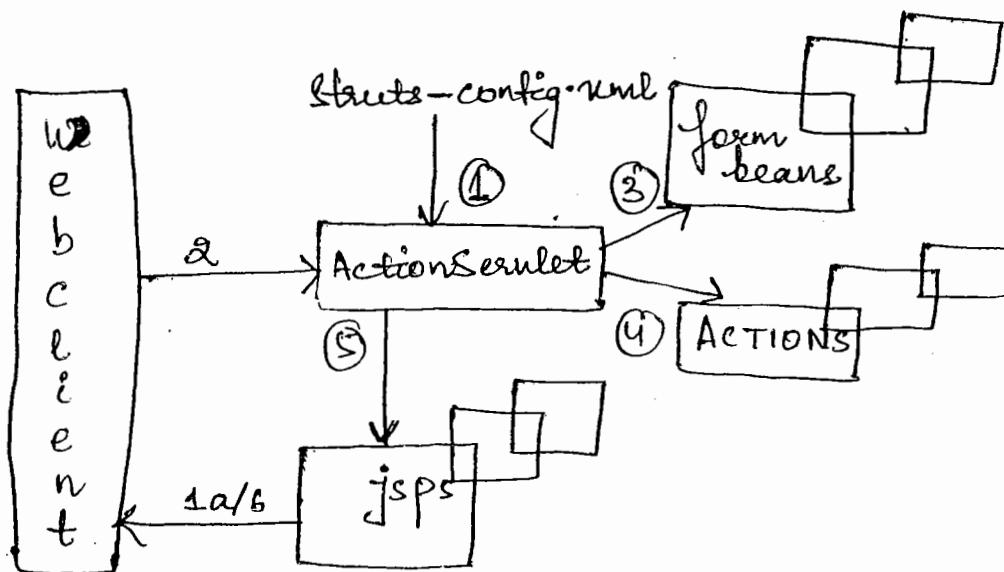


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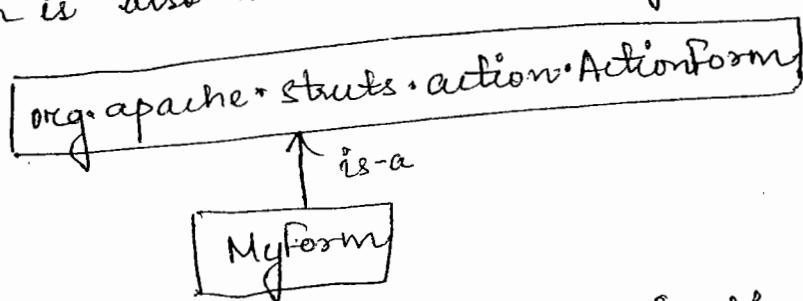
- Q) What is the objective of Struts ?
- Developing presentation layer for web-enabled java enterprise application.
  - Struts therefore is known as UI framework or presentation layer framework.
  - Being presentation layer framework i.e front-end framework, struts supports controller and view components development.
  - Struts doesn't provide any support in model component (business component) development.

- ⇒ What is Struts architecture?
- ⇒ Struts framework is meant for MVC based Java web application development.
- ⇒ There are 5 architectural elements in struts.

- 1) ActionServlet
- 2) form beans
- 3) actions
- 4) struts-config.xml.
- 5) jsp's



- ⇒ Explain about form beans?
- ⇒ A form bean is a user defined Java class that extends org.apache.struts.action.ActionForm.
- ⇒ A form bean is also known as action form.



- ⇒ For each \* web form of the Struts application we develop an action form and it is a Java bean. Therefore, it is known as a form bean.

⇒ for each input field of the web form we have one instance variable in form bean.

⇒ request parameter names of the form fields and form bean fields' name must be the same.

for eg.

```
public class LoginForm extends ActionForm  
{  
    private String username;  
    private String password;  
    // setter & getter methods  
}  
// form bean (action form)
```

⇒ a form bean is a data container that holds the user input (view data) that is heading towards model via controller.

⇒ form bean is not a POJO ~~class~~ (Plain Old Java Object) class. Therefore, it can't be used as data transfer object.

Note:- A java class is said to be a POJO if and only if it doesn't inherit from framework specific or technology specific interface or class.

⇒ framework implicitly instantiates form bean and populates its fields with user input.

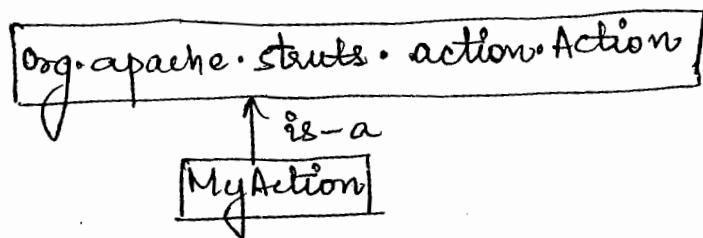
⇒ In a formbean, validate() and reset() methods also may be implemented in addition to accessors and mutators.

setter

Q) Explain about actions?

→ A user defined java class that extends org.apache.struts.action.Action. Action is an action class.

→ In general, for each use-case of the application one action class is to be developed by the struts developer.



→ for e.g.

```
public class LoginAction extends Action
{
    .... execute(p1, p2, request, response)
}
.....
{
```

⇒ action class performs 2 duties majorly.

1) calling the model component method for data processing.

2) returning view mapping information to ActionServlet (information about to which jsp to switch the control).

⇒ action class is a sub-controller. It contains use-case specific flow control code. i.e. In struts application, Action class is a controller component.

→ action class is a singleton (without implementing single design pattern).

→ only one action instance handles any number of client requests. Therefore, it is not threadsafe.

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Q) Explain about ActionServlet?

A) ActionServlet is a HttpServlet.

javan.servlet.http.HttpServlet

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org.apache.struts.action.ActionServlet

⇒ It is a ~~built-in~~ built-in servlet provided by Struts Framework i.e developer need not develop it.

⇒ Struts Developer is responsible for 3 things in the Struts application in connection with ActionServlet.

1) registering it with the container.

2) pre-initializing it.

3) making it the front controller.

⇒ ActionServlet contributes to Struts Application in 2 phases

⇒ During initialization phase ActionServlet reads struts-config.xml into memory and gets flow control information of all the user-case of the struts application.

⇒ During servicing phase, it creates form bean instance & populates its fields with user input, invokes validation code if any, creates action class instance, invokes its execute method and based on the view mapping information given by action class, switches the control to the appropriate jsp using forward mechanism of the request dispatcher.

Note:- ActionServlet internally uses RequestProcessor to perform these activities during servicing phase.

- ⇒ ActionServlet is the front-controller of the Struts Application.
- ⇒ ActionServlet is able to read flow control information from xml file. Therefore, it is reusable.
- ⇒ ActionServlet, being a pre-developed class of the Struts framework can have only generic flow control logic and it can't have <sup>use-case</sup> specific flow control code. for that it depends on action classes.

Q) Explain about struts-config.xml?

- ⇒ It is the configuration file of the struts application.
- ⇒ It is one \* per struts application.
- ⇒ Struts developer should develop this file creating relationship between view components and controller components of every use-case.
- ⇒ form beans, jsp's and action ~~class~~ classes have logical names in this file.
- ⇒ ActionServlet is able to perform its functionality using struts-config.xml.
- ⇒ logical name concept implemented in struts-config.xml only making struts framework reusable.

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Q) Explain about jsp's of the struts application?

⇒ jsp's are the view components of the struts application.  
(MVC based java web application)

⇒ Struts ~~do~~ doesn't provide any built-in jsp's for the Struts application. Struts application developers only responsible to develop jsp's.

⇒ Struts framework provides (custom) tag libraries that support jsp development.

⇒ ① core library

② bean library

③ logic library

④ tiles library

⇒ jsp's are used in the following areas of a java based dynamic website (powered by struts).

1) homepage development

2) input pages development

3) response pages development

a) response with user expected info

b) error response

a jsp =  $\frac{\text{HTML} + \text{JSP elements}}{\text{taglib directive}}$

⇒ jsp's of a struts application use Hypertext Markup language tags and Struts framework given JSP custom tags and "taglib directive".

⇒ A jsp, being a view component shouldn't perform the following things/ tasks:

1) receiving the client request

2) capturing the user input

- 3) communication with the database.
- 4) processing of data.
- 5) talking to model component for processed data.
- 6) deciding another view.
- ⇒ In a jsp, Java code shouldn't be directly written.

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### Elements of MVC Architecture

- Q Explain about model components?
- ⇒ Data processing according to the enterprise rules is performed in a Model component.
- ⇒ Programmatical implementation of business rule of the enterprise (business organisation) is nothing but business logic.
- ⇒ Business logic is encapsulated in the model component & therefore it is also known as business components.
- ⇒ In the beginning days of java enterprise application development which was java enabled, Java beans were used as business components.
- ⇒ Java beans is missing with the following enterprise capabilities.

- 1) distributed computing
- 2) transaction support
- 3) security.

- ⇒ Currently in the industry, business components services are available to controller components from.
  - 1) spring beans
  - 2) web services
  - 3) EJB's (session beans)

Note:- Frontend developer is not may concerned with model component development.

→ MVC is a front-end (presentation layer) design pattern.  
It doesn't address the separation of data processing  
and data accessing code.

→ MVC design pattern addresses the separation of  
front-end (presentation layer) into 2 kinds of activities  
into two different components i.e. flow control code  
into controller components and O/P generation code into  
view components.

Q) Explain about controller?

→ The component (object) in which, work flow logic  
(flow control logic) is encapsulated is known as  
controller.

→ A controller shouldn't do the following activities

1) communication with database.

2) processing of data.

3) producing any kind of view for the client.

Q) What are the duties of a controller in an  
MVC based Java web application?

→ Capturing the user input.

→ validating the user input.

→ invoking the business method of the model component

→ identifying the appropriate view based on the  
response from the business method of the  
model component.

→ switching control to the view component.

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Q) How are controllers classified?

⇒ Controllers are of 2 types in a Java web application.

1) front controller

2) sub controller

note :- This classification is possible if and only front controller design pattern is implemented in addition to MVC.

Q) Explain about front controller?

⇒ A controller component that receives the client request upfront is nothing but front controller.

⇒ for any online service of the website request may come, front controller receives that request first.

⇒ Only one front controller for the entire application.

⇒ front-controller doesn't have use-case specific flow control code encapsulated into it. i.e. front controller doesn't invoke the business method & can't identify the view(response page).

⇒ front-controller has generic flow control code which is required in common for all the use cases of the application.

⇒ front-controller provides majority of benefits.

    1) Reusability of generic flow control code.

    2) Single pt. entry into the website.

note :- In struts 1.x applications "A servlet" acts as front-controller i.e ActionServlet.

⇒ In struts 2.x applications

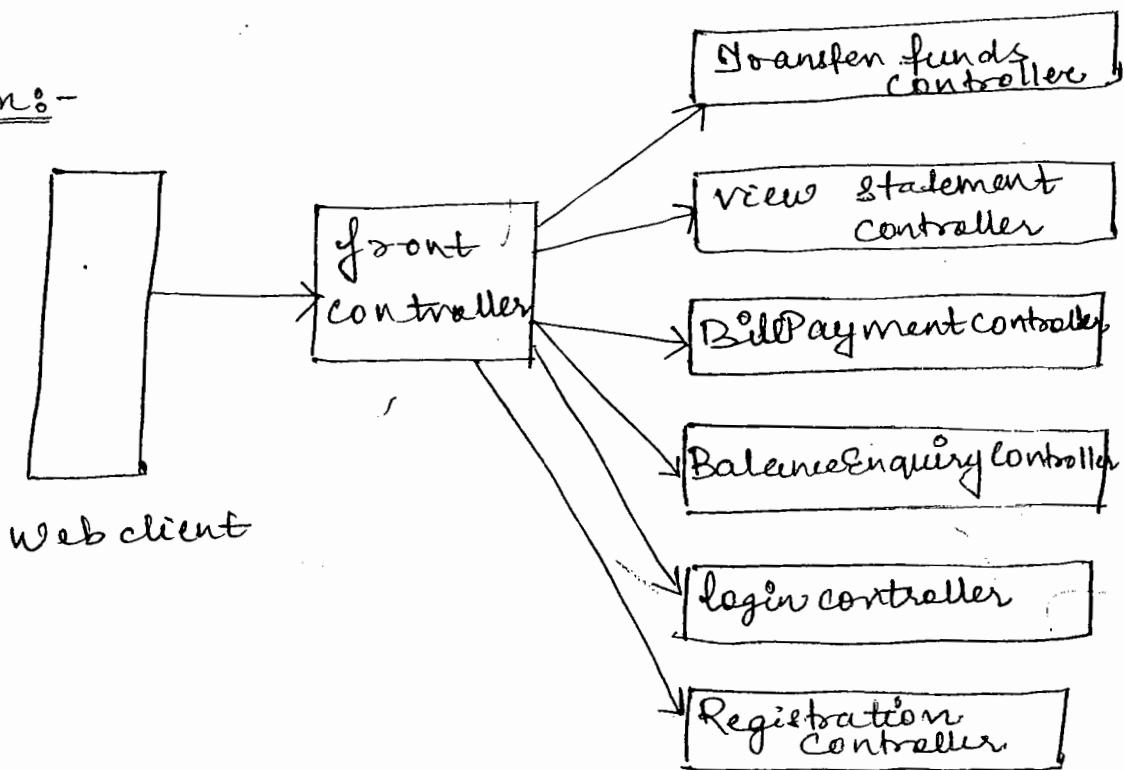
"A servlet filter" act as front-controller.

Q) Explain about sub controllers?

- A controller that encapsulates use-case specific flow control code is nothing but a sub controller.
- In general, one sub controller per online service.
- Sub controller does the following.
  - 1) calling the business method.
  - 2) informing the front-controller to which view to switch the control.

Note :- In struts 2.x application, action class is the sub controller.

Ans :-



Q) Explain about view components?

→ What user sees of a website is a view.

→ View components are those web components that produce the views of the application.

→ Mostly JSPs are the view components.

→ View components are used to develop input pages & response pages.

Note:- In JSPs, only HTML tags and JSP tags should be used but not the scripting elements.

→ Writing Java code in JSP has following drawbacks.

1) Proprietary code of the application is exposed to business clients.

2) Code generation tools can't generate mixed code  
∴ therefore, R&D is not promoted.

3) Code is not reusable.

→ dealing with syntactical errors of Java happens at application running time instead of development time.

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Q) What are the system requirements to develop and run a Struts application?

Ans) 1) Install J2SE platform.

2) Install J2EE platform (web container)

3) Struts jar files (to be placed into lib folder)

Q) what are the steps involved in a Struts Application development?

Step 1:- create a structured hierarchy of directories.

Step 2:- develop the jsp's.

Step 3:- develop the form beans.

Step 4:- develop action classes.

Step 5:- develop struts - config.xml.

Step 6:- struts enable the web application i.e web.xml.  
in web.xml registering ActionServlet, preinitializing  
it & making it the front-controller.

Step 7:- configuring the application files.

i.e place xml files into WEB-INF.

Struts jar files into "lib" folder.

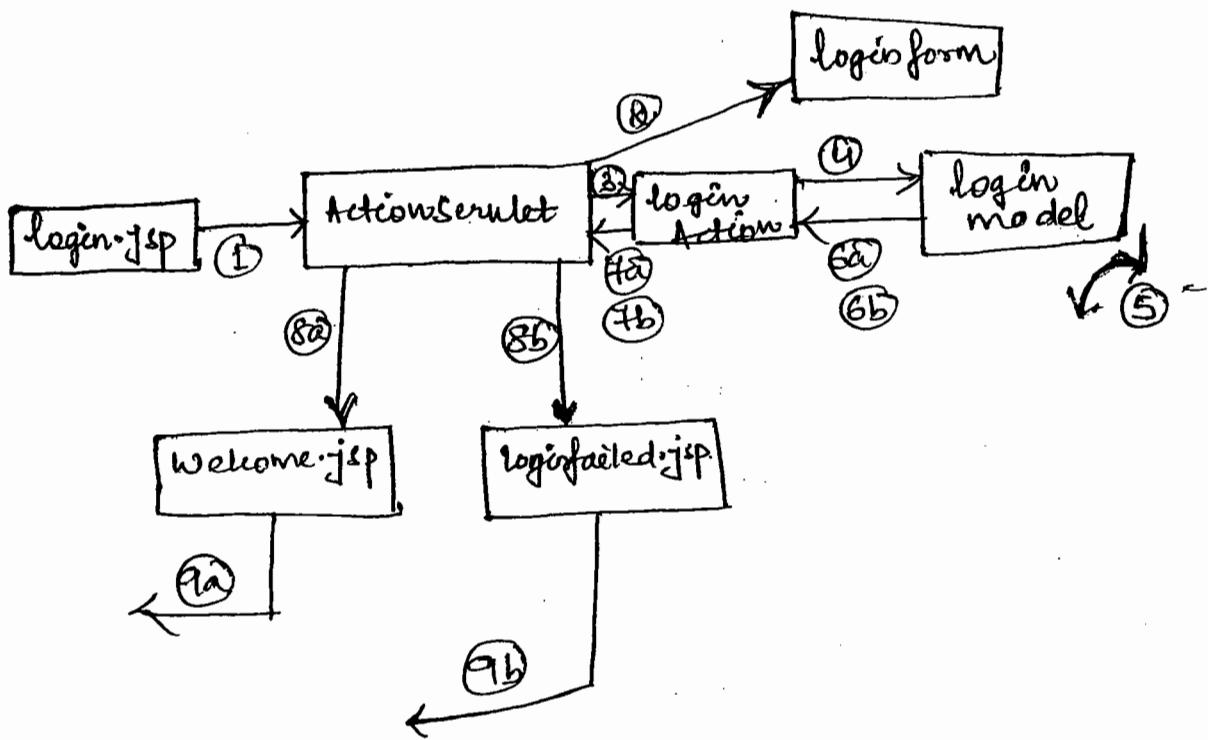
form beans and action classes.

class file in "classes" folder.

Jsp's into root-folder (or sub folder of the  
root folder)

Note:- model component developer developed Model  
component related class file also to be placed into  
"classes" folder.

Q) Develop a struts application to implement the use-case of user authentication?



Note :- boolean isAuthenticated(String user, String pwd) is the prototype of model component method.

1:- end-user enters username and pwd into the input page developed by **login.jsp** and submits the web form. Action (created) Servlet, being the front-controller, receives the client requests and capturing the user-input.

2:- ActionServlet populating formbean fields with user-input.  
3:- ActionServlet invoking the execute() method of action instance.

4:- execute() method is invoking isAuthenticated() method of Model component.

5:- business method of model component processing the user input i.e verifying the correctness of the username and password against something.

6a :- model component returning "true" to subcontroller  
component as the user name and password are found  
to be correct.

6b :- isAuthenticated() method returning "false" to execute  
method as it finds that the user name or password is  
wrong.

7a :- Action returning view mapping information to  
ActionServlet ie logicalname of the "welcome.jsp".

7b :- Subcontroller informing to the front controller  
about "loginfailed.jsp" as the target view.

8a & 8b :- ActionServlet switching the control to the  
response page using forward mechanism of request  
dispatching.

9a & 9b :- View components producing the appropriate  
response for the client.

### loginapplication

login.jsp

welcome.jsp

loginfailed.jsp

WEB-INF

struts-config.xml

web.xml

src

loginform.java

loginAction.java

loginModel.java

classes

com

nareshit

form

LoginForm.class

Action

loginActions.class  
model  
LoginModel.class  
lib  
commons-beanutils-1.8.0.jar  
commons-chain-1.2.jar  
commons-digester-1.8.jar  
commons-logging-1.0.4.jar  
~~commons~~-core-1.3.10.jar ✓  
struts-taglib-1.3.10.jar

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### loginForm.java

```
Package com.nareshit.form;
import org.apache.struts.action.ActionForm;
public class LoginForm extends ActionForm {
    private String username;
    private String password;
    public void setUsername (String username) {
        this.username = username;
    }
    public String getUsername () {
        return username;
    }
    public void setPassword (String pass) {
        this.password = pass;
    }
}
```

```
this.  
password = pwd;  
}  
  
public String getPassword()  
{  
    return password;  
}  
}  
} // formbean
```

### LoginAction.java

```
Package com.nareeshit.action;  
import org.apache.struts.action.Action;  
import org.apache.struts.action.ActionForward;  
import org.apache.struts.action.ActionMapping;  
import org.apache.struts.action.ActionForm;  
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest;  
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletResponse;  
import com.nareeshit.form.LoginForm;  
import com.nareeshit.model LoginModel;  
public class LoginAction extends Action  
{  
    LoginModel lm = new LoginModel();  
    public ActionForward execute (ActionMapping mapping,  
        ActionForm form, HttpServletRequest request,  
        HttpServletResponse response)  
    {  
        String viewinfo = "notok";
```

```

LoginForm lf = (LoginForm) form;
String user = lf.getUsername();
String pwd = lf.getPassword();
boolean flag = lm.isAuthenticated(user, pwd);
if(flag)
    viewinfo = "OK";
ActionForward forward = mapping.findForward("viewinfo");
return forward;
}
}

```

### Struts-configuration:

```

<struts-config>
    <form-beans>
        <form-bean name="loginform"
            type="com.nareesh.form.LoginForm" />
    </form-beans>
    <action-mappings>
        <action type="com.nareesh.action.LoginAction" name
            = "loginform" path="/login">
            <forward name="ok" path="/welcome.jsp"/>
            <forward name="notok" path="/loginfailed.jsp"/>
        </action>
    </action-mappings>
</struts-config>

```

## web.xml

```
<web-app>
    < servlet >
        < servlet-name > frontcontroller < /servlet-name >
        < servlet-class > org.apache.struts.action.ActionServlet < /servlet-class >
        < load-on-startup > 1 < /load-on-startup >
    < /servlet >
    < servlet-mapping > servlet-name
        < servlet-name > frontcontroller < /servlet-name >
        < url-pattern > *.do < /url-pattern >
    < /servlet-mapping >
    < welcome-file-list >
        < welcome-file > login.jsp < /welcome-file >
        < welcome-file > index.jsp < /welcome-file >
    < /welcome-file-list >
< /web-app >
```

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## login failed.jsp

<HTML>

```
<BODY BGCOLOR = "wheat">
<H1> Login Failed. Invalid username or password </H1>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

## welcome.jsp

<HTML>

```
<BODY BGCOLOR = "cyan">
<H1> Welcome to our website </H1>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

## login.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix = "html"
           uri = "http://struts.apache.org/tags-html"%>
<HTML>
<BODY BGCOLOR = "cyan">
<CENTER>
<H1> Login Screen </H1>
<html:form action = "/login" method = "POST">
    username <html:text property = "username" />
    <BR><BR>
    Password <html:password property = "password" />
    <BR><BR>
    <html:submit property = "submit" />
</html:form>
</CENTER>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

## LoginModel.jsp

```
package com.nameshit.model  
public class LoginModel  
{  
    public boolean isAuthenticated (String user, String pwd)  
    {  
        boolean flag = false;  
        if (user.equals (pwd))  
            flag = true;  
        return flag;  
    }  
}
```

note :- before compiling the action class & form beans,  
place 2 jars files into classpath.

1) > Servlet-api.jar  
2) > struts-core-1.3.10.jar

"notepad  
"struts.bat"  
tree/f.

for eg:-

SET CLASSPATH = .;D:\Servlet-api.jar;D:\struts-  
core-1.3.10.jar .

Q) what happens in the background when login application  
is deployed into the web container?

→ web container reads web.xml as soon as the application  
is deployed .

→ container loads ActionServlet class and instantiates it .

→ Container creates ServletConfig object for ActionServlet  
and invokes its init method by supplying Servlet  
Config object reference as argument .

⇒ Within the init method very framework's code is written to read struts-config.xml i.e. as soon as the struts application is deployed, framework knows the complete generic flow control information of the application.

~~QUESTION~~  
⇒ What happens in the background when login.jsp is executed?

⇒ JSP engine executes login.jsp when the user types URL in the browser after application deployment as it is made the home page.

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- a) appends ".do" extension to "login", which is the value of action attribute of <form> tag.
  - b) appends session id to the URL using URL rewriting concept.
  - c) generates HTML tag i.e. <FORM> tag & writes to the browser stream.
- ⇒ <html>, <html>password</html> & <html>submit</html> tags write corresponding HTML tags to the browser stream.
- ⇒ dynamic & pure HTML content generated by login.jsp is sent to the browser via webserver.
- ⇒ Browser executes that dynamic web content and renders the webform to the end-user.

Q) what happens in the background when user submits the login form by entering username and password?

⇒ Based on the action path (from the input screen), framework identifies appropriate action class and form bean.

⇒ form bean is instantiated, populated with user input. LoginAction instance created. LoginAction instance created. Its execute() method is called by supplying loginForm instance as argument.

⇒ Based on the loginModel's response execute() method returns ActionForward object that holds views mapping information to framework.

⇒ ActionForward is unwrapped and by ~~using~~ the logical name of the jsp path, control is switched to the appropriate jsp.

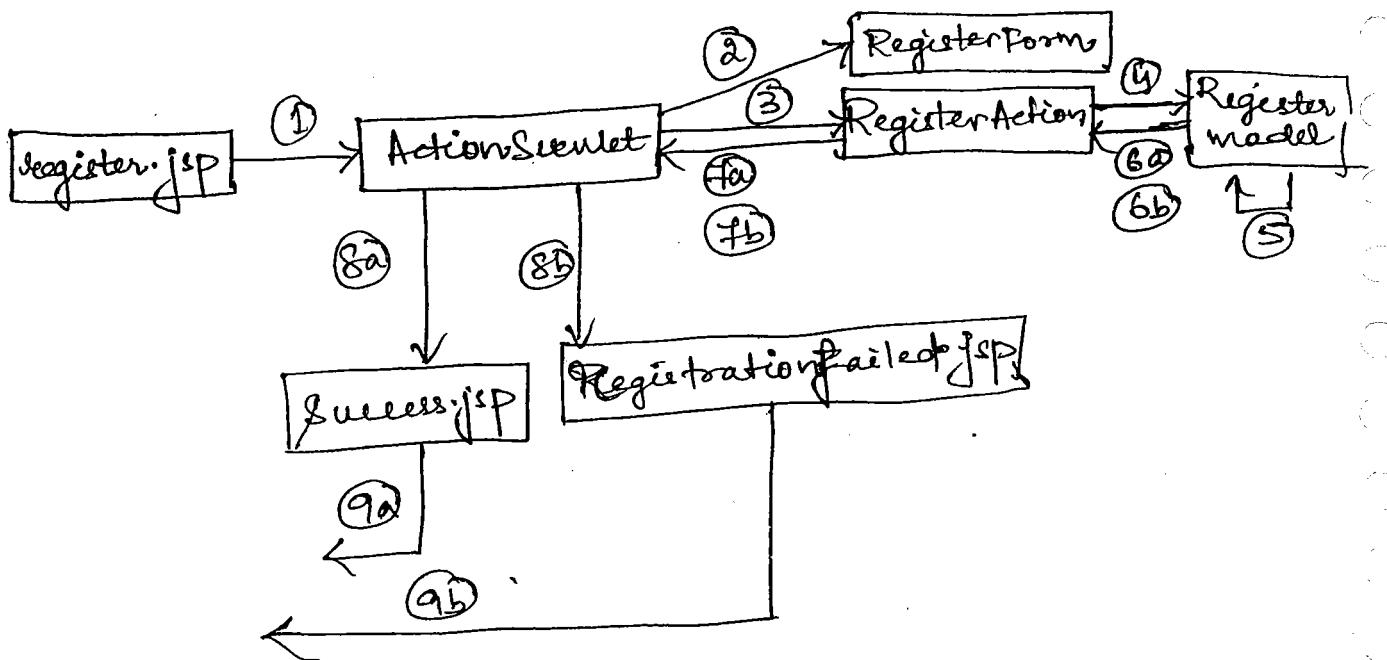
⇒ jsp produces the response and via web server the response page is sent to the client.

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Q) Develop a Struts application that implements the use case of user-registration?

Ans) REGISTRATION (username, password, emailid) is the database table.

⇒ boolean registerUser(String user, Stringpwd, String email) is the prototype of the model method.



registration application  
 - register.jsp  
 - success.jsp  
 - RegistrationFailed.jsp

WEB-INF  
 - web.xml  
 - struts-config.xml

- src  
 - RegisterForm.java  
 - RegisterAction.java  
 - RegisterModel.java

- classes  
 - \*.class

- lib  
 - \*.jar (.6 jar file)  
 - driver jar file

<http://localhost:8081/registrationapplication>

### web.xml

⇒ make register.jsp the homepage.

### struts-config.xml

```
<struts-config>
```

```
  <form-beans>
```

```
    <form-bean name="RegisterForm" type="com.nareeshit  
      .form.RegisterForm"/>
```

```
  </form-beans>
```

```
  <action-mappings>
```

```
    <action path="/register" name="registerform"
```

```
      type="com.nareeshit.action.Registration">
```

```
      <forward name="ok" path="/success.jsp"/>
```

```
      <forward name="notok" path="/registrationfailed.  
        jsp"/>
```

```
    </action>
```

```
  </action-mappings>
```

```
  </struts-config>
```

### RegisterForm.java

```
package com.nareeshit.form;  
import org.apache.struts.action.ActionForm;  
public class RegisterForm extends ActionForm
```

```
  { private String username;
```

```
    private String password;
```

```
    private String emailid; // bean fields.
```

```
    // 3 setter & getters
```

```
}
```

## RegisterAction.java

```
package com.nareeshit.action;
import com.nareeshit.form.RegisterForm;
import com.nareeshit.model.RegisterModel;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
import org.apache.struts.action.*;
public class RegisterAction extends Action {
    {
        RegisterModel sm = new RegisterModel();
        public ActionForward execute(ActionMapping mapping,
                                     ActionForm form, HttpServletRequest request,
                                     HttpServletResponse response) {
            {
                RegisterForm ref = (RegisterForm) form;
                String user = ref.getUsername();
                String pwd = ref.getPassword();
                String emailid = ref.getEmailId();
                boolean flag = sm.registerUser(user, pwd, emailid);
                if (flag)
                    return mapping.findForward("ok");
                else
                    return mapping.findForward("notok");
            }
        }
    }
}
```

## register.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix="html"
uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-html" %>
<HTML>
  <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
    <CENTER>
      <H1> Registration Screen </H1>
      <html:form action="/register" method=
        "POST"> username<html:text property="username"/>
      <BR><BR>
      password<html:password property="password"/>
      <BR><BR>
      emailid<html:text property="emailid"/>
      <BR><BR>
      <html:submit>register</html:submit>
    </html:form>
    </CENTER>
  <BODY>
</HTML>
```

success.jsp

<HTML>

<BODY BGCOLOR = "cyan">

<H1> registered successfully </H1>

</BODY>

</HTML>

registrationfailed.jsp

obj be 14 Jan  
obj be 6 Jan.

<HTML>

<BODY BGCOLOR = "wheat">

<H1> registration failed. Please try after sometime.

</H1>

</BODY>

</HTML>

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Registration Model Java

```
package com.nareeshit.model;
import java.sql.Connection;
import java.sql.DriverManager;
import java.sql.PreparedStatement;
import java.sql.SQLException;
public class RegistrationModel
```

```
{  
    public boolean RegisterUser (String user, String pass,  
                                String mailid)
```

}

```
    boolean flag = false;
    Connection con = null;
    PreparedStatement ps = null;
    try {
        Class.forName("oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver");
        con = DcinerManager.getConnection("jdbc:oracle:thin:@"
                                         "localhost:1521;user=scott;password=tiger");
        ps = con.prepareStatement("INSERT INTO REGISTRATION"
                               "VALUES(?, ?, ?)");
        ps.setString(1, user);
        ps.setString(2, pword);
        ps.setString(3, mailid);
        ps.executeUpdate();
        flag = true;
    }
    catch (ClassNotFoundException e)
    {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
    catch (SQLException e)
    {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
    finally
```

```

    by
    {
        if (ps != null)
            ps.close();
        if (con != null)
            con.close();
    }
    catch (SQLException e)
    {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}
between flag;
}
} // business method of the model component
}

```

Q) Modify loginModel so as to verify user authentication details against the database.

```

package com.namehit.model;
import java.sql.Connection;
import java.sql.DriverManager;
import java.sql.PreparedStatement;
import java.sql.ResultSet;
import java.sql.SQLException;
public class loginModel {
    {
        public boolean isAuthenticated(String user, String pwd)
    }
}

```

```
boolean flag = false;
Connection con = null;
PreparedStatement ps = null;
ResultSet rs = null;

try {
    Class.forName("oracle.jdbc.OracleDriver");
    Con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:oracle:thin:@localhost:1521",
                                     "scott", "tiger");
    ps = con.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM REGISTRATION
                           WHERE USERNAME = ? AND PASSWORD = ?");
    ps.setString(1, user);
    ps.setString(2, pwd);
    rs = ps.executeQuery();
    flag = rs.next();
}

Catch (ClassNotFoundException e)
{
    e.printStackTrace();
}

Catch (SQLException e)
{
    e.printStackTrace();
}

finally
{
    try
    {
```

```
if(rs!=null)
    rs.close();
if(ps!=null)
    ps.close();
if(con!=null)
    con.close();
}

Catch(SQLEXception e)
{
    e.printStackTrace();
}
}

int evenFlag;
```

} // business method of model component

Q) How to centralise database connection creation and releasing code in an application?  
⇒ Develop a utility class.

```
package com.naneshit.model;
import java.sql.Connection;
import java.sql.DriverManager;
import java.sql.Statement;
import java.sql.ResultSet;
import java.sql.SQLException;
public class DBUtil {
}
```

```
Static
{
    try {
        Class.forName("oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver");
    }
    catch (ClassNotFoundException e)
    {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}

// static initializer
public static Connection getConnection() throws SQLException
{
    return DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:oracle:thin:@localhost:1521:server", "scott", "tiger");
}

public static void close (ResultSet rs, Statement st,
                        Connection con)
{
    try {
        if (rs != null)
            rs.close();
        if (st != null)
            st.close();
        if (con != null)
            con.close();
    }
    catch (SQLException e)
}
```

```

        {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }

} // DBUtil

```

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- Q) How to create a hyperlink in a jsp of Struts application?
- ⇒ One view shouldn't decide the target page of the hyperlink. It becomes the gross violation of MVC. Only controller should ~~target~~ decide the target view.
- ⇒ In logical name based manner hyperlink has to be created in a jsp targeting other page.
- ⇒ Three steps are involved in the creation of a hyperlink in a jsp.

Step 1:- Configure a built-in action class.  
 org.apache.struts.actions.ForwardAction in struts configuration file once for each link.

for eg:-

Action path = "/registerpage" type = "org.apache.struts.actions.  
ForwardAction" parameter = "/register.jsp"

Step 2:- Create the link in a jsp by using <html:link> tag.

for eg:-

<html:link=""/registerpage"> Click here </html:link>

Step 3:- Place an additional jar file in lib folder of the application (directory structure). struts-extras-1.3.10.jar.

Q) Develop a struts application in which, registration and login use-cases are implemented?

Ans)

registerloginapplication  
index.jsp  
register.jsp  
login.jsp  
registrationfailed.jsp  
registrationsuccess.jsp  
loginauth.jsp  
loginsuccess.jsp  
WEB-INF  
web.xml  
struts-config.xml  
src  
LoginForm.java  
LoginAction.java  
LoginModel.java  
RegisterForm.java  
RegisterAction.java  
RegisterModel.java  
DBUtil.java  
classes  
db.properties  
\*.class  
lib  
\*.jar (6 jar files)  
\*.jar (Driver jar file)  
struts-entries-1.3.10.jar

http://localhost:8081/registerloginapplication

db.properties

driver = oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver  
oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver

url = jdbc:oracle:thin:@localhost:1521:server

username = scott

Password = tiger

## windex.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix="html"
   uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-html" %>
<HTML>
  <BODY BGCOLOR ="cyan">
    <CENTER>
      <H1><html:link action="/loginpage"> login here </html:link></H1>
      <H1><html:link action = "/registerpage"> register here </html:link> </H1>
    </CENTER>
  </BODY>
</HTML>
```

## Struts-config.xml

```
<struts-config>
  <form-beans>
    <form-bean name="loginform" type="com.nareshit.form.LoginForm"/>
    <form-bean name="registerform" type="com.nareshit.form.RegisterForm"/>
  </form-beans>
  <action-mappings>
    <action name="registerform" path="/register"
      type="com.nareshit.action.RegisterAction">
      <forward name="ok"
        path="/registrationsuccess.jsp"/>
      <forward name="notok"
        path="/registrationfailed.jsp"/>
    </action>
    <action name="loginform" path="/login"
      type="com.nareshit.action.LoginAction">
    </action>
  </action-mappings>
</struts-config>
```

```

<forward name="OK" path="/loginsuccess.jsp"/>
<forward name="unok" path="/loginfailed.jsp"/>
</action>
<action path="/loginpage"
        type="org.apache.struts.actions.ForwardAction"
        parameter="/login.jsp"/>

```

```

<action path="/registerpage"
        type="org.apache.struts.actions.ForwardAction"
        parameter="/register.jsp"/>

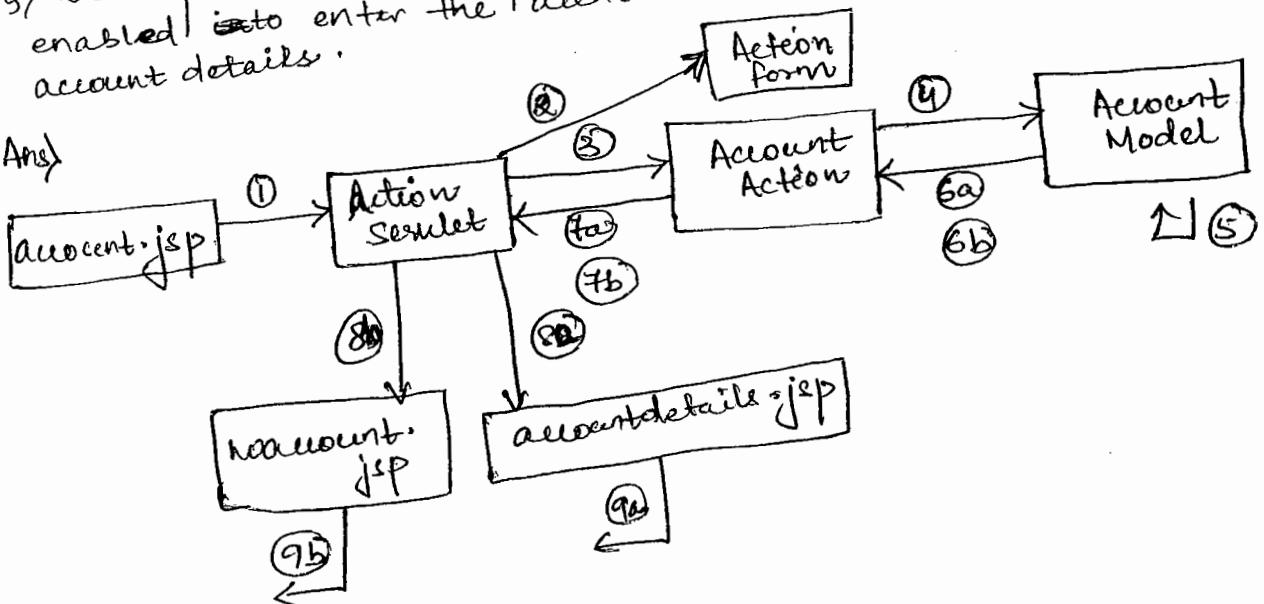
```

</action-mappings>

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Q) Develop a struts application in which end-user should be enabled to enter the beans to the webpage and get the account details.

Ans)



- (4) execute() method calling getAccountDetails() method of some model component.
- (5a) → model component method returning account object to the execute method as record is found in the database.
- (5b) → model component returning null to sub-controller as record is not found in the database.
- (6a) → execute() method returning success view mapping information to the framework after storing account object into the request scope.

accountapplication  
 account.jsp  
 accountdetails.jsp  
 noaccount.jsp  
 WEB-INF  
 Web.xml  
 struts-config.xml  
 src  
 AccountForm.java  
 AccountAction.java  
 AccountModel.java  
 Account.java (DTO)  
 DBUtil.java  
 classes  
 # class  
 db.properties  
 lib  
 \*.jar (6+1 jar files)

http://localhost:8081/accountapplication

## web.xml

make account.jsp the home page.

## struts-config.xml

<struts-config>

<form-beans>

<form-bean name="accountform" type="com.nareeshit.form.ActionForm"/>

</form-beans>

<action-mappings>

<action path="/getaccount" type="com.nareeshit.actions.AccountAction" name="accountform">

<forward name="success" path="/accountdetails.jsp"/>

<forward name="failure" path="/noaccount.jsp"/>

</action>

</action-mappings>

<message-resources parameter="ApplicationResources"/>

</struts-config>

## AccountForm.java

package com.nareeshit.form;

import org.apache.struts.action.ActionForm;

public class AccountForm extends ActionForm

{

    private int aceno;

    public void setAceno(int aceno)

    { this.aceno = aceno;

    }

    public int getAceno()

    { return aceno;

    }

## Account.java

```
package com.nareshit.model  
private class Account  
{  
    private int aeno;  
    private String name;  
    private float balance;  
} // 3 setters & 3 getters
```

## AccountModel.java

```
Package com.nareshit.model;  
import java.sql.*;  
public class AccountModel  
{  
    public Account getAccountDetails(int aeno)  
    {  
        Account acc = null;  
        Connection con = null;  
        PreparedStatement ps = null;  
        ResultSet res = null;  
        try {  
            con = DBUtil.getConnection()  
            ps = con.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM  
                ACCOUNT WHERE ACENO = ?");  
            ps.setInt(1, aeno);  
            res = ps.executeQuery();  
            if (res.next())  
            {  
                acc = new Account();  
                acc.setAeno(res.getInt("ACENO"));  
                acc.setName(res.getString("NAME"));  
                acc.setBalance(res.getFloat("BALANCE"));  
            }  
        } catch (Exception e) {  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```

acc = new Account();
acc.setAccno (rec.getString(1));
acc.setName (rec.getString(2));
acc.setBalance (rs.getFloat(3));
}

}

try {
catch (SQLException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}

finally {
    DButil.close(rs, ps, con);
}

```

## AccentAction.java

```
package com.nareshit.action;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
import org.apache.struts.action.*;
import com.nareshit.actions.form.AccountForm;
import com.nareshit.model.AccountModel;
import com.nareshit.model.Account;
public class AccountAction extends Action
{
```

```

AccountModel am = new AccountModel();
public ActionForward execute (ActionMapping mapping, Action
form form, HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse
response)
{
    AccountForm af = (AccountForm) form;
    int ano = af.getAcoNo();
    Account acc = am.getAccountDetails (ano);
    if (acc != null)
    {
        request.setAttribute ("accounts", acc); // to make
        it available to view.
        return mapping.findForward ("success");
    }
    else
        return mapping.findForward ("failure");
}

```

## Account.jsp

```

<%@ taglib prefix="html"
uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-html"%>

```

<HTML>

<BODY BGCOLOR = "cyan">

<CENTER>

<H1> Account Details Retrieval </H1>

```
<html:form action = "/getaccount">  
Acno <html: text property = "acno" /><br><br>  
<html:submit> get account details </html:submit>
```

```
</html:form>
```

```
</center>
```

```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```

```
noaccount.jsp
```

```
<html>
```

```
<body bgcolor = "wheat">
```

```
<h1> with that number no A/c exists </h1>
```

```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```

```
accountdetails.jsp
```

```
<%@ taglib prefix = "bean" %>
```

```
uri = "http://struts.apache.org/tags-bean"%>
```

```
<html>
```

```
<body bgcolor = "cyan">
```

```
Acno & <bean:write name = "account" property = "acno" %>
```

```
<br>
```

```
A/c holder name : <bean:write name = "account" %>
```

```
property = "name" /><br>
```

```
Balance Rs. <bean:write name = "account" %>
```

```
property = "balance" />
```

```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```

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- Q) How to prevent hardcoding of Database connection details in DBUtil class?
- read database connection details specified in properties file into java.util.Properties object.
- from properties object, retrieve database connection details

### DBUtil.java

```
package com.naveshit.model;
import java.sql.*;
import java.util.Properties;
public class DBUtil
{
    private static Properties p = new Properties();
    static
    {
        try
        {
            p.load(DBUtil.class.getClassLoader().getResources(
                Stream("db.properties"));
            Class.forName(p.getProperty("driver"));
        }
        catch (Exception e)
        {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
    // static initializer
    public static Connection getConnection() throws
        SQLException
    {
        return
            DriverManager.getConnection(p.getProperty("cs"),
                DriverManager.getConnection(p.getProperty("cs")));
    }
}
```

```
p.getProperty("username"), p.getProperty ("password"));  
}  
... // close method  
} // DBUtil
```

- Q) Develop a struts application that enables the end-user to enter balance range into a text box and displays the account details that fall under that range?  
→ note & file names and flow diagram from the previous application (accountapplication).

accountsapplication  
account.jsp  
noaccount.jsp  
accountdetails.jsp

~~src~~ WEB-INF  
web.xml  
struts-config.xml

src  
Account.java  
AccountModel.java  
AccountAction.java

classes  
db.properties  
\*.class

lib  
\*.jar (6+1)

http://localhost:8081/accountsapplication

4% - execute method is calling business method of AccountModel which has the following prototype.

public list<Account> getAccountsDetails (float lower, float upper).

6a% - model returning ArrayList object to controller.

6b% - model returning null to controller.

Note :- Account.java, web.xml, struts-config.xml, DBUtil.java & db.properties from the previous application.

### account.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix = "html" uri = "http://struts.apache.org/tags-html"%>
```

```
<HTML>
  <BODY BGCOLOR = "cyan">
    <CENTER>
      <H1> Accounts Details Retrieval </H1>
      <H2> Accounts Details Retrieved </H2>
      <html:form action = "/getaccounts">
        <html:text name = "lower">
        <html:text name = "upper">
        <html:label property = "balrange"> <br> <br>
        <html:submit value = "Get Accounts Details">
        <html:submit value = "Submit">
      </html:form>
    </CENTER>
  </BODY>
</HTML>
```

## AccountForm.java

```
package com.nareshit.form;
import org.apache.struts.actions.ActionForm;
public class AccountForm extends ActionForm
{
    private String balrange;
    public void setBalrange (String balrange)
    {
        this.balrange = balrange;
    }
    public String getBalrange()
    {
        return balrange;
    }
}
```

## AccountAction.java

```
package com.nareshit.action;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
import org.apache.struts.action.*;
import com.nareshit.form.AccountForm;
import com.nareshit.model.AccountModel;
import com.nareshit.model.Account;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.StringTokenizer;
public class AccountAction extends Action
{
    AccountModel am = new AccountModel();
    public ActionForward execute(
    )
```

```

    AccountForm af = (AccountForm) form;
    String br = af.getBalance();
    StringTokenizer st = new StringTokenizer(br, "-");
    float lower = Float.parseFloat(st.nextToken());
    float upper = Float.parseFloat(st.nextToken());
    List<Account> accounts = am.getAccountsDetails(
        lower, upper);

    if (accounts != null)
    {
        request.setAttribute("accounts", accounts);
        return mapping.findForward("success");
    }
    else
        return mapping.findForward("failure");
}

```

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## Account Model.java

```
list<Account> accounts = null;
Connection con = null;
PreparedStatement ps = null;
ResultSet res = null;

try {
    con = DBUtil.getconnection();
    ps = con.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM ACCOUNT WHERE
BALANCE BETWEEN ? AND ?");
    ps.setfloat(1, lower);
    ps.setfloat(2, upper);
    res = ps.executeQuery();
    if (res.next()) {
        accounts = new ArrayList<Account>();
        do {
            Account acc = new Account();
            acc.setAccno(res.getInt(1));
            acc.setName(res.getString(2));
            acc.setBal(res.getFloat(3));
            accounts.add(acc);
        } while (res.next());
    } //if
} //try
catch (SQLException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
```

```
finally
{
    DBUtil.close(rs, ps, con);
}
return accounts;
}
```

{ // business method .

}

### AccountDetails.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix="bean"
uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-bean"%>
<%@ taglib prefix="logic"
uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-logic"%>

<HTML>
<BODY BGCOLOR = "cyan">
    <CENTER>
        <H1>Account Details </H1>
        <TABLE BORDER = "1">
            <TR>
                <TH>ACCTNO</TH>
                <TH>NAME</TH>
                <TH>BALANCE</TH>
            </TR>
            <logic:iterate name="accounts" scope="request"
                id="account">
                <TR>
                    <TD><bean:write name="account"
                        property="acctno"/></TD>
                    <TD><bean:write name="account"
                        property="name"/></TD>
                    <TD><bean:write name="account"
                        property="balance"/></TD>
                </TR>
            </logic:iterate>
        </TABLE>
    </CENTER>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

</logic&lt;br/>

</TABLE>

</CENTER>

</BODY>

</HTML>

noaccount.jsp

<HTML>

<BODY BGCOLOR = "wheat">

<H1> Within that balance Range no accounts exist </H1>

</BODY>

</HTML>

Q) What happens in the background when findForward() method is called on ActionMapping object in the execute() method of action class?

→ for each <forward> tag of the use-case, one ActionForward object is created.

→ all the ActionForward objects are stored in Map object.

→ Map object is wrapped into ActionMapping object.

→ now, framework is invoking execute() method of action class by supplying ActionMapping as one of the arguments.

→ when findForward() method is called on the mapping object by supplying logical name of the view path as argument, ActionForward object is not created. Instead search is made in the Map and reference of already existing ActionForward object is returned.

→ one <forward> is a URL alias of a view component.

→ object oriented representation of one <forward> tag info is nothing but ActionForward object.

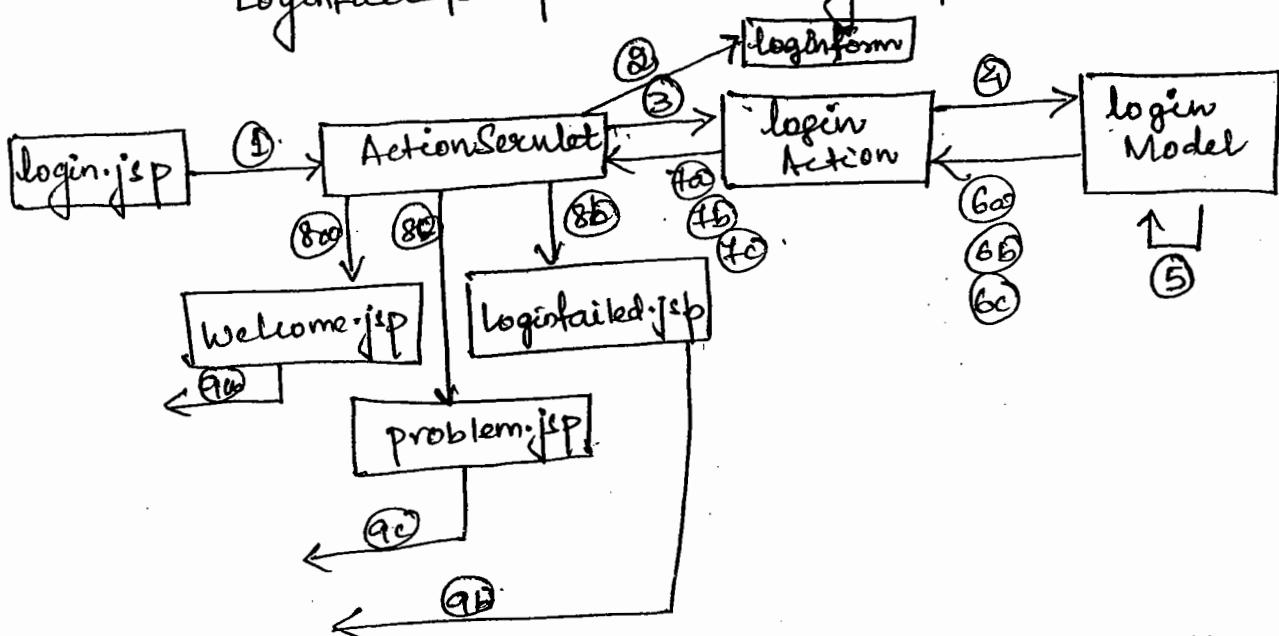
- ⇒ framework receives the view path based on the logical name wrapped in ActionForward object.
- ⇒ How to implement exception handling in a Struts application?
- ⇒ handling of exceptions in model component doesn't come under exception handling in Struts application. E.g. presentation layer.
- ⇒ In view components no need of handling the exceptions.
- ⇒ When controller component is communicating with the business method of model component there is a chance of exception raising. Dealing with such exceptions is nothing but exception handling in a Struts application.
- ⇒ dealing with exception in the action class while it is communicating with model component is nothing but exception handling in a Struts application.
- ⇒ unless exceptions are propagated by model component to action class, exception handling can't be implemented in a Struts Application.
- ⇒ If exception handling is not implemented in presentation layer, wrong information goes to the end-user.
- ⇒ Handling exceptions in a Struts application is of 2 types.
  - ⇒ programmatical exception handling.
  - ⇒ declarative exception handling.

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- ⇒ Implement programmatical validation in "Loginapplication".

- ⇒ Within the action class, Struts developer placing the business method call in try block and implementing corresponding catch blocks is nothing but programmatical exceptional handling.
- ⇒ loginModel's method should have the following prototype & that method should propagate the specified exceptions to the controller. Then only, exception handling can be implemented in action class.

public void isAuthenticated (String user, String pwd) throws  
LoginFailedException, ProcessingException.



(6a) :- model method returning nothing to the controller but control.

(6b) :- model method propagating LoginFailed exception to the controller component. (when record not found).

(6c) :- model method propagating ProcessingException to the controller as it encountered abnormal behavior while communicating with the database.

pre gene p login application  
 login.jsp  
 loginfailed.jsp  
 welcome.jsp  
 problem.jsp  
 WEB-INF  
 Web.xml  
 struts-config.xml

http://localhost:8081  
pre gene p login application

src  
 LoginModel.java  
 LoginAction.java  
 LoginForm.java  
 LoginFailedException.java  
 ProcessingException.java  
 DBUtil.java  
 Classes  
 \*.class  
 db.properties

### problem.jsp

```
<HTML>
```

```
<BODY BGCOLOR = "cyan">
```

```
<H1>Server problem. please try to login after sometime</H1>
```

```
</BODY>
```

```
</HTML>
```

### loginFailedException.java

```
package com.nareshit.exception;
```

```
public class LoginException extends Exception
```

```
{}
```

```
{}
```

### ProcessingException.java

```
package com.nareshit.exception;
```

```
public class ProcessingException extends Exception
```

```
{}
```

```
{}
```

### loginModel.java

```
package com.nareshit.model;
```

```
import java.sql.*;
```

```
import com.nareshit.exception.LoginFailedException;
```

```
import com.nareshit.exception.ProcessingException;
```

```
public class loginModel
```

```
{}
```

```
public void isAuthentical (String user, String pwd)
```

```
throws LoginFailedException, ProcessingException .
```

```
{}
```

```
Connection con=null;
```

```
PreparedStatement ps=null;
```

```
ResultSet rs=null;
```

```
try
```

```
{}
```

```

con = DBUtil.getConnection();
ps = con.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM REGISTRATION
WHERE USERNAME = ? AND PASSWORD = ?");

ps.setString(1, user);
ps.setString(2, pword);
rs = ps.executeQuery();

if (!rs.next())
    throw new LoginFailedException(); // throwing
}

catch (SQLException e)
{
    e.printStackTrace();
    throw new ProcessingException(); // rethrowing
}

finally
{
    DBUtil.close(rs, ps, con);
}

} // business method of the model component
}

```

LoginAction.java

LoginAction extends Action  
public class LoginAction extends Action

```
{ LoginModel lm = new LoginModel(); }
```

```
public ActionForward execute (...)
```

```
{  
    String viewinfo = "OK";  
    Loginform lf = (Loginform) form;  
    String user = lf.getUsername();  
    String pword = lf.getPassword();  
    try
```

```

    {
        lm.isAuthenticated(user, pwd);
    }

    catch(LoginFailedException e)
    {
        viewInfo = "notok";
    }

    catch(ProcessingException e)
    {
        viewInfo = "abnormal";
    }

    ActionForward forward = mapping.findForward(viewInfo);
    return forward;
}
}

```

Note :- In struts configuration file add the third <forward> within <action> tag

```
<forward name="abnormal" path="/problem.jsp"/>
```

} Modify "accountapplication" so as to implement programmatical exception handling.

public Account getAccountDetails (int acno) throws AccountNotFoundException, ProcessingException

AccountNotFoundException.java

```

package com.nareeshit.exception;
public class AccountNotFoundException extends Exception
{
    public AccountNotFoundException(String msg)
    {
        super(msg);
    }
}

```

## AccountAction.java

```
public class AccountAction extends Action {  
    AccountModel am = new AccountModel();  
    public ActionForward execute(...){  
        String viewmappingInfo = "success";  
        AccountForm af = (AccountForm) form;  
        int accno = af.getAccno();  
        try{  
            Account acc = am.getAccountDetails(accno);  
            request.setAttribute("account", acc);  
        }  
        catch(AccountNotFoundExcption e){  
            S.O.P(e.getMessage());  
            viewmappingInfo = "failure";  
        }  
        catch(ProcessingException e){  
            S.O.P(e);  
            viewmappingInfo = "problem";  
        }  
        return mapping.findForward(viewmappingInfo);  
    } //execute  
}
```

Note :- In struts-config.xml file add  
third <forward> within <action> tag.  
<forward name = "problem" path = "problem.jsp" />

## Account.java

```
public Account getAccountDetails (int accno) throws AccountNot
    foundException, ProcessingException
{
    .....
    try
    {
        if (rs.next())
        {
            .....
        }
        else
            throw new AccountNotFoundException (accno
                " doesn't exist in database" );
    } // try
    catch (SQLException e)
    {
        throw new ProcessingException();
    }
    finally
    {
        .....
    }
    return acc;
} // execute
}
```

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Q) What is a resource bundle in the context of a Struts application?

- ⇒ Resource Bundle is a properties file in a Struts application whose standard name is "ApplicationResources.properties".
- ⇒ In a resource bundle appropriate key value pair of text is placed by the application developer.
- ⇒ At runtime Struts read the content of the resource bundle.
- ⇒ Struts uses resource bundle as information repository whose content it uses to dynamically populate JSPs.
- ⇒ Resource Bundle is used in declarative exception handling, declarative validations and i18n.
- ⇒ Using a resource bundle in a Struts application involves the following steps:
  - Step 1 :- develop a text file with name (key), value pair according to application requirement and store it into "classes" folder with the file name "ApplicationResources.properties".
  - Step 2 :- register the resource bundle with Struts making the following entry in struts-config.xml.  
<message-resources parameter="ApplicationResources"/>

Q) Explain about declarative exception handling?

- ⇒ Instead of developer implementing the exception handlers in the action class, declaring the exception handler requirements to Struts through configuration file and framework providing the exception handlers for each action class is nothing but declarative exception handling.

⇒ Implementing declarative exception handling in a Struts application involves the following steps.

Step 1 :- develop a resource bundle with appropriate error keys and corresponding messages:

Step 2 :- make use of <exception> tags within the <action> tag to declare the required exception handlers for the action class.

Step 3 :- Specify exception specification with `java.lang.Exception` to the `execute()` method of action class. Don't implement any exception handling in `execute()` method.

Step 4 :- Make use of `<html:errors>` tag in the JSP that is designed to display exception message to the user.

Q) modify the previous application (`delempaccountapplication`) so as to implement exception handling declaratively?

~~delempaccount~~

delempaccountapplication

account.jsp

accountdetails.jsp

exception.jsp (any name)

WEB-INF

\*.xml

src

\*.java

classes

db.properties

ApplicationResources.properties

\*.class

lib

(G+) \*.jar

http://localhost:8808/delempaccountapplication

Note :- model related files including `AccountNotFoundException` and `processingException` are as they are from the previous application.

⇒ `AccountForm`, `account.jsp`, `accountdetails.jsp` and `web.xml` also from the previous application.

## ApplicationResources.properties

db-search.failed = account doesn't exist.

db-operation.failed = Server problem. please try later.

## struts-config.xml

<struts-config>

<form-beans>

<form-bean name="accountForm"

type = "com.nareeshit.form.AccountForm" />

</form-beans>

<action-mappings>

<action name="accountForm"

type = "com.nareeshit.action.AccountAction" path =

"getaccount" />

<exception

type = "com.nareeshit.exception.AccountNotFoundException"

path = "/exception.jsp" key = "db-search.failed" />

<exception

type = "com.nareeshit.exception.ProcessingException"

path = "/exception.jsp" key = "db-operation.failed" />

<forward name = "success" path = "accountdetails.jsp" />

</action>

<action-mappings>

<message-resources

parameter = "ApplicationResources" />

</struts-config>

## AccountAction.java

≥ Import all except no exceptions

public class AccountAction extends Action

{

    AccountModel am = new AccountModel();

    public ActionForward execute (ActionMapping mapping,  
        ActionForm form, HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse  
        response) throws Exception

{

    AccountForm af = (AccountForm)form;

    int aeno = af.getAeno();

    Account acc = am.getAccountDetails(aeno);  
    request.setAttribute("account", acc);  
    return mapping.findForward("success");

}

## exception.jsp

④ <%@ taglib prefix = "html"

uri = "http://struts.apache.org/tags-html"%>

<HTML>

    <BODY BGCOLOR = "wheat">

    <FONT COLOR = "red" SIZE = "6">

        <html: error>

    </FONT>

    </BODY>

</HTML>

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- Q) How does declarative exception handling work in the background?
- While execute() method is invoking the business method of the model component, if the business method propagates the exception execute method, framework provided exception handler comes into action.
- Framework provided exception handler does the following things:
- 1) Creates org.apache.struts.action.ActionMessage object encapsulating resource bundle key in it.
  - 2) Places ActionMessage object in scope.
  - 3) Indicates to the front controller about the JSP to which it has to switch the control.
- ⇒ <html: error> tag does the following things:
- 1) retrieves ActionMessage object from scope and gets the resource bundle key from it.
  - 2) Searches in the resource bundle for the corresponding message by using the key as search criteria.
  - 3) writes the message retrieved from the resource bundle to the browser stream.
- Q) How are form beans classified?
- ⇒ form beans are of two types:
  - ① static form beans
  - ② dynamic form beans.
- ⇒ Application developer developed form beans are known as static form beans.
- ⇒ Framework provided form beans are known as dynamic form beans.
- ⇒ Using a dynamic form bean in a struts application involves 3 steps.

Step 1:- configure org.apache.struts.action.DynamicActionForm as type of bean in <form-beans> section in struts configuration file.

Step 2:- for each input field of the web form, make some <form-property> entry.

Step 3:- In action class, retrieve form bean data by calling get() methods using DynaActionForm reference.

Q) Modify first struts application (loginapplication) so as to use dynamic form bean in the application.

Ans)

dynaformloginapplication

\*.jsp

WEB-INF

\*.xml

src

LoginAction.java

LoginModel.java

classes

\*.class

lib

\*.jar(6)

http://localhost:8081/dynaformloginapplication -

struts-config.xml

<struts-config>

<form-beans>

<form-bean name="loginform" type="org.apache.struts.actions.DynaActionForm">

<form-property name="username" type="java.lang.String"/>

<form-property name="password" type="java.lang.String"/>

</form-beans>

<action-mappings>

- - - <action-mappings>

</struts-config>

## loginActions.java

```
.....
import org.apache.struts.action.DynaActionForm;
public class LoginAction extends Action
{
    public ActionForward execute(...)

    DynaActionForm daf = (DynaActionForm) form;
    String user = (String) daf.get("username");
    String pwd = (String) daf.get("password");
    boolean flag = lm.isAuthenticated(user, pwd);
    if (flag)
        return mapping.findForward("ok");
    else
        return mapping.findForward("notok");
}
```

Q) Modify "accountapplication" so as to use dynamic formbean.

## struts-config.xml

```
<struts-config>
<form-beans>
    <form-bean name="accountform"
        type="org.apache.struts.action.DynaActionForm">
        <form-property name="aceno"
            type="java.lang.Integer"/>
    </form-bean>
</form-beans>
</struts-config>
```

## Doj: AccountAction.java

execute()

{

DynaActionForm daf = (DynaActionForm) form;

int accno = (Integer) daf.get("accno");

...

Q) what are global forwards?

⇒ We have 2 kinds of forwards.

1) action specific forwards.

2) global forwards.

⇒ If a forward is configured within an action tag (as subtag), it is known as action specific forward and it is available to that action only i.e. it is not available to other actions of the application.

⇒ Whenever we have same response from multiple user cases, instead of configuring same <forward> for action, we can go for global forwards.

for eg.

<struts-config>

<form-beans>

...

</form-beans>

<global-forwards>

<forward name = "ok" path = "/success.jsp"/>

<forward name = "notok" path = "/failure.jsp"/>

</global-forwards>

<action-mappings>

<action ...>

</action>

```
<action ...>  
</action>  
<!-- Action-mapping -->  
<!-- struts - config -->
```

note :- now 2 same forwards are available to both the actions without the need of configuring them in `<action>`

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Q) what are global exceptions ?

A) During declarative exception handling an exception handler is configured using `<exception>` as a sub-tag of `<action>`. It is nothing but action specific exception handler configuration.  $\Rightarrow$  Such handler is not available to another action class even though same exception is propagated from the model component.

$\Rightarrow$  Whenever same exception handler is required to be configured to multiple action classes, we go for global exception configuration to reduce the amount of XML configuration in struts configuration file.

for ex:-

```
<!-- Global-exceptions -->  
  <exception key = "db.operation.failed">  
    type = "com.naveshit.exception.ProcessException"  
    path = "/exception.jsp"/>  
</!-- Global-exceptions -->
```

## VALIDATION IN STRUTS APPLICATIONS

- ⇒ Explain about validation in a Struts Application?
- ⇒ Verification of user input for its completeness and correctness is nothing but performing validation in a web application.
- ⇒ Validation is of two types.
  - ↳ client side validation
  - ↳ server side validation
- ⇒ In a Java web application, JavaScript code that is executed by the browser for validating the user input is nothing but client side validation code.
- ⇒ For the same web form data, server side validation is performed for 2 reasons.
  - ↳ client side validation, might be skipped without execution with compatibility issue or JavaScript disabled in the browser.
  - ↳ for security reasons some validation logic can't be placed at client side.
- Note :- for every client side validation, server side ~~also~~ validation is also performed. Some additional validations also may be performed at server side.
- ⇒ Validating the user input stored in form beans is nothing but performing validation in a Struts application.
- ⇒ We have 2 kinds of validation in a Struts application.
  - ⇒ programmatical validation
  - ⇒ declarative validation
- ⇒ If developer is responsible to implement validation logic in the form beans, it is nothing but programmatical validation.
- ⇒ If framework providing the validation logic and developer is responsible just to declare the validation requirements in XML format, is known as declarative validation.

note:- Almost always declarative validation only is used in real struts applications.

Q) How to implement programmatical validation in a Struts application?

Step 1:- Develop a resource bundle with appropriate error keys and corresponding messages.

Step 2:- Implement validate() method in the form bean & place the appropriate validation logic in that method.

Step 3:- enable validation and specify the page to which control has to be switched in case of validation failure.

→ validators and input attributes of <action> tag are used for this purpose.

Step 4:- In the input page make use of <html:errors> tag.

Q) Develop a ~~java~~ struts application in which, programmatical validation is implemented?

### Programmatical validation application

login.jsp

welcome.jsp

loginfailed.jsp

WEB-INF

web.xml

struts-config.xml

src

LoginForm.java

LoginActions.java

LoginModel.java

classes

\*.class

ApplicationResources.properties

lib  
\*.jar (6 jar files)

http://localhost:8081/progralidationloginapplication.

### ApplicationResources.properties

user.input = username can't be empty.

pwd.input = password can't be empty.

### LoginForm.java

```
package com.nareeshit.form;
import org.apache.struts.action.*;
import javax.servlet.http.HttpServletRequest;
public class LoginForm extends ActionForm
{
    private String username;
    private String password;
    // setters & getters
    public ActionErrors validate(ActionMapping mapping,
        HttpServletRequest request)
    {
        ActionErrors ae = new ActionErrors();
        if (username.length() == 0)
            ae.add("username", new ActionMessage("user.input"));
        if (password.length() == 0)
            ae.add("password", new ActionMessage("pwd.input"));
        return ae;
    }
}
```

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## struts-config.xml

<struts-config>

<form-beans>

<form-bean name="loginform">

type="com.narenshit.form.~~LoginForm~~">

</form-beans>

<action-mappings>

<action name="loginform" path="/login">

type="com.narenshit.action.LoginAction"

validate="true" input="/login.jsp">

<forward name="ok" path="/welcome.jsp"/>

<forward name="notok" path="/loginfailed.jsp"/>

</action>

<action-mappings>

<message-resources>

parameter="ApplicationResources"/>

</struts-config>

## login.jsp

<%@ taglib prefix="html".

uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-html%>

<HTML>

<BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">

<CENTER>

<html:form action="/login" method="POST">

<TABLE>

<TR>

<TD colspan="3"><H1>Login Screen</H1></TD>

<TR>

```
<TR>
  <TD> username </TD>
  <TD> <html:input type="text" property="username"/> </TD>
  <TD> <html:input type="text" property="password"/> </TD>
  <TD> <html:errors property="username"/> </TD>

<TR>
<TR>
  <TD> password </TD>
  <TD> <html:input type="password" property="password"/> </TD>
  <TD> <html:errors property="password"/> </TD>

<TR>
<TR>
  <TD colspan="2">
    <input type="submit" value="Login" /> <html:submit name="submit"/>
  </TD>
<TR>
<html:form>
</CENTER>
<BODY>
</HTML>
```

Q) How does ActionServlet know whether validation failed or not?

- ⇒ org.apache.struts.action.ActionErrors object which is returned from validate() method indicates to ActionServlet whether validation is success or failure.
- ⇒ If ActionErrors object is empty or null, ActionServlet knows that validation is successful.
- ⇒ If ActionErrors object has atleast one ActionMessage object, ActionServlet knows that validation is a failure & instead of invoking the action it switches the control to the input page specified using "input" tag of <action> tag.

Q) What are the limitations of programmatical validations in a Struts application?

- ⇒ 1) Validation logic at times is very complex and time consuming & zero support from framework.
- 2) Validation logic written for one field is not reusable even if the same field is there in another form.
- 3) Validation can't be applied in case of dynamic form beans.
- 4) Struts framework provided client side validation code. (JavaScript) also is not available. i.e developer is responsible for both sides validation code development.
- note:- declarative validation addresses all the limitations of programmatical validation and therefore, in almost all cases declarative validation is only used in real Struts applications.

Q) How to implement declarative validation in a Struts Application (for static form bean)?

- ⇒ Using Validator framework which is a subframework of Struts is nothing but using declarative validation in a Struts Application.
- ⇒ In case of declarative validation, validation requirements are explained to the framework using XML tags instead of developer developing the validation logic.

Step 1 :- develop the resource bundle with appropriate error keys & corresponding messages.

Step 2 :- develop the form-bean that extends org.apache.struts.validator.form.

⇒ don't implement validate() method.

Step 3 :- enable validation & specify the input page.

Step 4 :- place validator-rules.xml in WEB-INF (built-in file)

\* Step 5 :- develop validation.xml and place it in WEB-INF

Step 6 :- enable validator framework.

Step 7 :- place an additional jarfile in lib folder.  
commons-validator-1.3.1.jar.

Step 8 :- make use of <html:errors> tag in the input page to display validation failure messages.

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Q. Modify the previous struts application so as to implement:

declarative validation?

⇒   
declarative validation application  
login.jsp  
welcome.jsp  
loginfailed.jsp  
WEB-INF

web.xml  
struts-config.xml  
validation.xml  
validator-rules.xml

src  
LoginForm.java  
LoginAction.java  
LoginModel.java

classes

\*.class  
ApplicationResource.properties

lib  
\*.jar (6+1 jar files)

Http://localhost:8081/  
declarativevalidationloginapplica-  
tion

## ApplicationResources.properties

errors.required = {0} can't be empty.  
 errors.minLength = {0} can't be less than {1} characters.  
 user = USERNAME  
 Pwd = PASSWORD  
 S = EIGHT

## LoginForm.java

```

package com.mareehit.form;
import org.apache.struts.validator.ValidatorForm;
public class LoginForm extends ValidatorForm {
  {
    private String name;
    private String password;
    // setters & getters
  }
}
  
```

## struts-config.xml

```

<struts-config>
  <form-beans>
    ....
  </form-beans>
  <action-mappings>
    <action validate="true" input="/login.jsp">
      <action validate="true" input="/login.jsp">
        ....
      </action>
    </action-mapping>
  </action-mappings>
  <message-resources parameter="ApplicationResources"/>
  <plug-in className="org.apache.struts.validator.
    ValidatorPlugIn" />
  <set-
    <property property="pathnames">
  
```

value = "/WEB-INF/validator-rules.xml /WEB-INF/validation.xml")

</plug-in>

</struts-config>

### Validation.xml

<form-validation>

<formset>

<form name = "logiform">

<field property = "username" depends = "required">

<Lang position = "0" key = "use" />

</field>

<field property = "password" depends = "required, minlength">

<Lang position = "0" key = "pwd" />

<Lang position = "1" key = "8" resource = "false" />

<narr>

<narr-name>minlength</narr-name>

<narr-value> 8</narr-value>

</narr>

</field>

</form>

</formset>

</form-validation>

Q) What is the significance of validator-rules.xml?

⇒ To make all built-in validators provided by Validator framework (sub framework of Struts) available to the struts application, validator-rules.xml is used.

Q) What is the significance of validation.xml?

⇒ Validation requirements of the application are specified to the framework using validation.xml.

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Q) Explain about the tags of validation.xml?

⇒ name attribute's value of <form> tag should match with logical name of the form bean specified in Struts configuration file.

⇒ For which form bean fields built-in validators required is specified using <form> tag.

⇒ We can have as many <form> tags as there are form beans in the application.

⇒ "depends" attribute of <field> tag takes the logical name of the built-in validator. We can specify multiple values also with comma separator.

⇒ For which bean field validators are to be applied is specific using property attribute.

⇒ <arg> tags are for parametric replacement.

⇒ <var> tag is used to supply the argument to a build-in validator.

Note:- Resource bundle messages can take parameters.

for eg. {0}, {1}, {2} etc.

Supplying values to these parameters i.e place holders is nothing but parametric replacement.

Q) How to apply declarative validation for a dynamic form-bean?  
⇒ Step 1:- Configure the following in struts-config.xml.

```
<form-bean name="loginform" type="org.apache.struts.validator.DynaValidatorForm">
    <form-property name="username" type="java.lang.String"/>
    <form-property name="password" type="java.lang.String"/>
</form-bean>
```

Step 2:- In action class, typecast ActionForm reference to DynaValidatorForm and then capture the user input.

for eg.

```
DynaValidatorForm daf = (DynaValidatorForm) form;
```

```
String user = (String) daf.get("username");
```

```
String pass = (String) daf.get("password");
```

Note:- Remaining steps are from that of static form beans declarative validation.

Q) Develop a struts application in which declarative validations applied to a dynamic form-bean?

declarative validation dynamic form bean application.

login.jsp

Welcome.jsp

loginfail.jsp

WEB-INF

Web.xml

struts-config.xml

validation.xml

validator-rules.xml

src

LoginAction.java

LoginModel.java

classes

\*.class

ApplicationResources.properties .

lib

\*.jar (7 jar files).

http://localhost:8081/deeValidationdynaformbeanapplication

Q) How to make use of validator framework provided client side validation support?

Step 1:- Make use of <html:javascript> tag in the input page of the struts application.

Step 2:- invoke a special javascript function through event handling in the input page.

Q) How does Struts <sup>Validator subframework</sup> provided client side validation code function?

→ When the input jsp is executed, "javascript" tag of html library is executed. For this tag logical name of the form bean should be supplied as value (to "formName" attribute).

→ Validator framework provided Javascript functions code is appended in line by the tag handler of "javascript" tag.

→ A specialised Javascript function also is generated. Its name is validateXXX(). "XXX" stands for the logical name of the form bean. This method calls the validation performing Javascript functions.

→ When user clicks on the submit button, "onsubmit" event is raised & the special function is called. Internally that function calls the Javascript functions and clientside validation is performed.

Note:- If we develop login.jsp as follows for the previous applications, client side validation (Javascript code provided by Validator framework) code also will be available to those applications.

## Login.jsp

```

<%@ taglib prefix="html"
uri = "http://struts.apache.org/tags-html"%>

<HTML>
  <HEAD>
    <html:javascript formName="loginform"/>
  </HEAD>
  <BODY BGCOLOR="yellow">
    .....
    <html:form action="/login" method="post"
      onsubmit="return validateLoginform(this);">
      .....
    </HTML>
  
```

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Q) Explain about action based declarative validation?

- When multiple related input pages are using the same form bean and if form bean based declarative validation is implemented in the application, for some input screens with less number of fields, wrong validation error messages are displayed to the end-user.
- To overcome that we go for action based validation.

## Login & Registration use-cases in a single application

### struts-config.xml

```

<struts-config>
  <form-beans>
    <form-bean name="userform"
      type="com.nareshit.form.UserForm"/>
  </form-beans>
  <action-mappings>
    <action path="/login" name="userform">
    
```

```
        type = "com.nareshit.controller.LoginAction" validate = "true"
        input = "/login.jsp">
            <forward name = "ok" path = "/welcome.jsp" />
            <forward name = "notok" path = "/loginfailed.jsp" />
        </action>
        action name = "userform"
        type = "com.nareshit.controller.RegisterAction"
        path = "/register" validate = "true"
        input = "/register.jsp">
            <forward name = "success" path = "/success.jsp" />
            <forward name = "failure"
                    path = "/registrationfailed.jsp" />
        </action>
        <action-mappings>
            <message-resources parameter = "ApplicationResources" />
            <plug-in
                    className = "org.apache.struts.validators.ValidatorPlugIn">
                <att-property property = "pathnames"
                    value = "WEB-INF/validator-rules/rule/WEB-INF/
                    validation.xml" />
            </plug-in>
        </action-mappings>
    </struts-config>
```

Note:- 2 use cases i.e 2 input screens. using the same form bean to store the user input and form bean based declarative validation applied.

### Validation.xml

```
<form-validation>
```

```
  <form-set>
```

```
    <form name="userform">
```

```
      <field property="username" depends="required">
```

```
        <arg position="0" key="usr.unr"/>
```

```
    </field>
```

```
    <field property="password" depends="required">
```

```
      <arg position="0" key="usr.pwd"/>
```

```
    </field>
```

```
    <field property="emailid" depends="required">
```

```
      <arg position="0" key="usr.mail"/>
```

```
    <arg position="0" key="usr.mail"/>
```

```
  </field>
```

```
</form>
```

```
</form-set>
```

```
</form-validation>
```

## ApplicationResources properties :-

errors.required = {0} should not be empty.

usr.name = User Name

usr.pass = Password

usr.mail = Email

## UserForm.java

```
package com.nareshit.form; validator.ValidatorForm;
import org.apache.struts.action.ActionForm
public class UserForm extends ValidatorForm
```

{

```
private String username;
private String password;
private String emailid;
```

// setters & getters

}

Note :- for "registerloginapplication". apply declarative validation  
using single form bean.

Q) How to implement action based declarative Validation?  
Ans. static form bean, declarative validation, multiple  
input pages using the same form bean; don't want  
form bean based declarative validation; requires action  
based validation; go for org.apache.struts.validators.  
ValidatorActionForm.

## UserForm.java

```
public class UserForm extends ValidatorActionForm
```

{...}

}

## Validation.xml

```
<form-validation>
  <formset>
    <form name="register">
      <field property="username" depends="required">
        <arg position="0" key="our-user"/>
      </field>
      <field property="password" depends="required">
        <arg position="0" key="our-pwd"/>
      </field>
      <field property="emailid" depends="required">
        <arg position="0" key="our-mailid"/>
      </field>
    </form>
    <form name="Login">
      <field property="username" depends="required">
        <arg position="0" key="our-user"/>
      </field>
      <field property="password" depends="required">
      </field>
    </form>
  </formset>
</form-validation>
```

Q) How to implement action based declarative validation for static bean based application?

→ dynamic form bean, declarative validation, multiple input pages using the same form bean; don't want form bean based declarative validation; requires action based validation; go for `org.apache.struts.validator.DynaValidatorForm`.

struts-config.xml

<struts-config>

<form-beans>

<form-bean name="userform"

type="org.apache.struts.validator.DynaValidatorActionForm">

<form-property name="username"

type="java.lang.String">

<form-property name="password"

type="java.lang.String"/>

<form-property name="emailid"

type="java.lang.String"/>

</form-bean>

</form-beans>

</struts-config>

Note:- Validation.xml is from previous application.

In action classes:

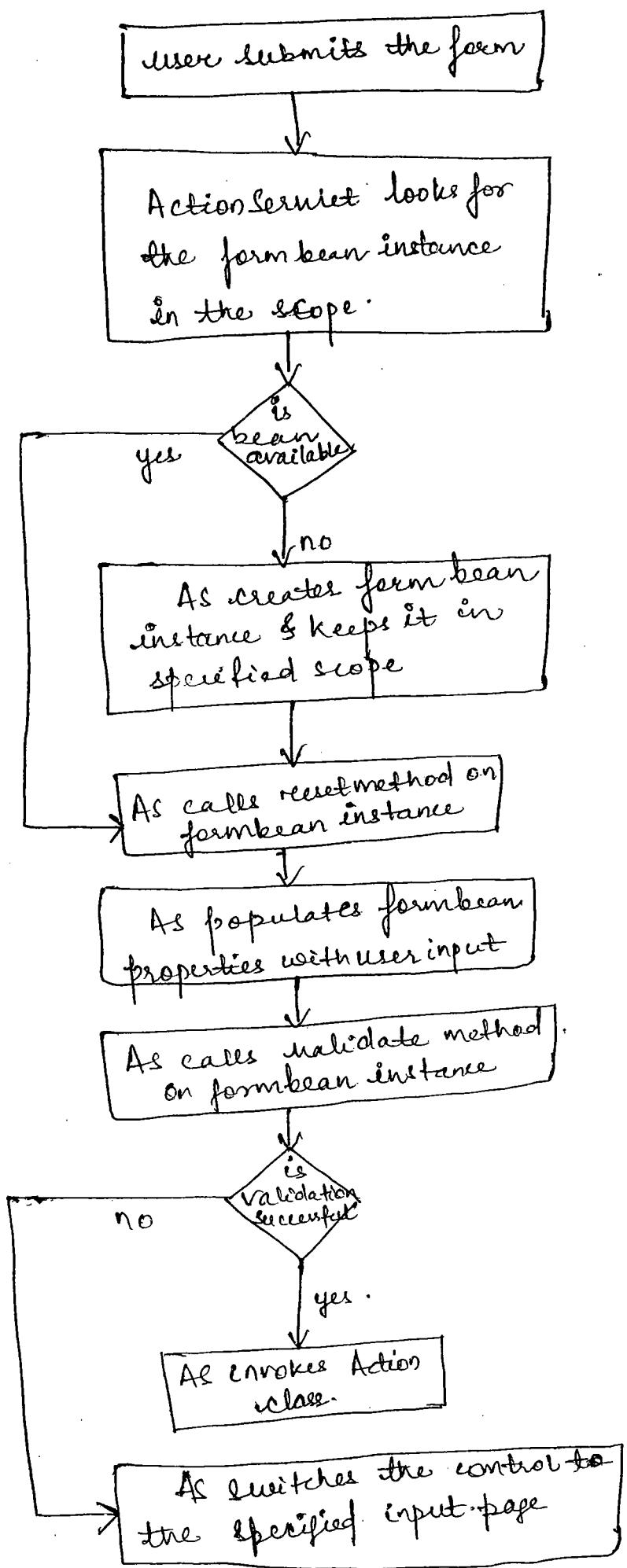
~~DynaAction~~

DynaValidatorActionForm

of = (DynaValidatorActionForm) form;

String user = (String) of.get("username");  
String pwd = (String) of.get("password");

Q) Explain about form bean lifecycle!



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- Q) what is the purpose of reset() method in a form bean?
- ⇒ To overcome the strange behaviour of the browser while sending checkbox input to the server, reset() method is introduced in the form bean.
- ⇒ If boolean variable corresponding to the checkbox is not there in the form bean, i.e. if there is no checkbox involved in the web form, no need of reset method.
- ⇒ Even if checkbox exists in the form, if the bean is to be kept in request scope, there is no need of reset method in the form bean class.
- ⇒ In reset method, boolean variable corresponding to a checkbox is set to default value i.e. false.
- Note:- In a dynamic form bean checkbox issue is addressed using "initial" attribute of <form-property> tag.
- for eg:-
- ```
form-property name = "isAgreed"
type = "java.lang.Boolean" initial="false" />
```

## INTERNATIONALIZATION (i18n)

- Q) What is i18n?
- ⇒ providing multi-lingual support to the website without changing application's source code is nothing but i18n (internationalization).
- ⇒ Once the struts application is i18n enabled, based on user preferred language, web pages can be displayed.
- Q) How to implement i18n in a Struts application?
- Step 1:- Develop as many resource bundles as the no. of languages that you want to support.
- ⇒ Resource bundle keys are common. Only values will be in corresponding language.

Tip:- In jsp's don't write language specific terms - ~~ways~~  
instead, make use of bean library's message tag that can  
retrieve language content from the appropriate resource bundle  
based on user preferred language.

<bean: message key = "resource bundle key" />  
> Develop a struts application in which i18n is implemented?

i18napplication  
login.jsp  
welcome.jsp  
WEB-INF  
Web.xml  
struts-config.xml  
src  
    LoginForm.java  
    LoginAction.java  
    LoginModel.java  
classes  
    \*.class  
ApplicationResources-en.properties  
ApplicationResources-it.properties  
lib  
    \*.jar (6 jar files)

http://localhost:8081/i18napplication

## login.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix = "html" uri = "http://struts.apache.org/tags-
ml" %>

<%@ taglib prefix = "bean" uri = "http://struts.apache.org/tags-bean">

<html:html>
    <body bgcolor = "yellow">
        <center><br><br>
        <bean:message key = "welcome.message"/><br><br>
        <html:form action = "login" method = "post">
            <bean:message key = "username"/><html:text property =
                "username"/><br><br>
            <bean:message key = "password"/><html:password
                property = "password"/><br><br>
            <html:submit><bean:message key = "register.submit"/>
            </html:submit>
        </html:form>
    </center>
</body>
</html:html>
```

## Welcome.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix = "bean" uri = "http://struts.apache.org/
tags-bean" %>

<html>
    <body bgcolor = "cyan">
        <h1><bean:message key = "welcome"/></h1>
    </body>
</html>
```

## ApplicationResources - en.properties

welcome.message = welcome to english user.

welcome = Hello english user welcome to our website.

username = username

password = password

register.submit = login

## ApplicationResources - it.properties

welcome.message = Dare il benvenuto all'operatore italiano (welcome to Italian user)

welcome = Dare il benvenuto all'operatore italiano.

username = nome di operatore.

password = parola d'ordine.

register.submit = registrarsi

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Q) How does it work?

→ Browser sends user preferred language to the web server using Accept-Language HTTP header.

→ Web server passes on that information to servlet engine.

→ Encapsulation of (object oriented representation of) user preferred language is nothing but java.util.Locale object.

→ Container creates locale object encapsulating user preferred language & stores it (its reference) into HttpServletRequest object.

→ HttpServletRequest has ~~has~~.getLocale method that returns Locale object.

Locale locale = request.getLocale();

- ~~getLocales~~
- ⇒ Struts framework gets Locale object and stores it into session scope.
  - ⇒ message tag of bean library selects the appropriate message bundle based on Locale object stored in the session scope.
  - ⇒ message tag retrieves the message from the Resource bundle and writes entire that message into the jsp's browser stream.
- Q) What is the limitation of the "i18nApplication" (previous application)?

- ⇒ User should be able to change the browser setting for i18n to work.
- ⇒ In the first page of the website user preferred language like links should be specified so that ~~in the~~ ~~first page of~~ without the need of changing the browser settings, user can opt for the language.

- Q) How to overcome the above limitations?
- ⇒ Using LocaleAction (a built-in action)
  - Q) How to make the use of LocaleAction in a Struts application while implementing i18n?

- ⇒ org.apache.struts.action.LocaleAction is one of the built-in actions provided by Struts framework.
- ⇒ This action class facilitates i18n without the need of user changing the browser settings.
- ⇒ Using LocaleAction in a Struts application in the following steps:

Step 1:- Configure a special form bean to user specified locale details i.e. language, country, variant.

Step 2 :- Configure LocaleAction in struts - config.xml specifying the logical name of above bean for LocaleAction configuration.

Step 3 :- Create links on home page that target LocaleAction class. Specify language and page request parameters as part of query string.

Note :- for each language option, developing a resource bundle is as usual.

Q) Develop an i18n enabled struts application that provides multilingual support for the end-user without the need of changing the browser settings?

→ struts-config.xml

```
<struts-config>
  <form-beans>
    <form-bean name="loginForm" type="com.nareshto.View.LoginForm">
      <form-bean name="localeBean" type="org.apache.struts.action.DynaActionForm">
        <form-property name="language"
          type="java.lang.String"/>
        <form-property name="variant"
          type="java.lang.String"/>
        <form-property name="Country"
          type="java.lang.String"/>
        <form-property name="page"
          type="java.lang.String"/>
    </form-bean>
    <action-mappings>
      <action-path="/show" forward="/login.jsp"/>
      <action-type="com.nareshto.controller.LoginAction"/>
    </action-mappings>
  </form-beans>
</struts-config>
```



Q&A

Q) Explain about tiles in the context of a struts application?

→ Tiles is a subframework of struts.

→ Tiles overcome the limitation of JSP include mechanism.

→ Tiles facilitates composite views creation in a struts application with consistent look & feel.

→ Using tiles in a struts application involves the following steps:-

Step 1 :- Develop a layout page (design page)

Step 2 :- Develop the content pages.

Step 3 :- Develop tiles-def.xml.

Step 4 :- Enables tiles sub-framework.

Step 5 :- place an additional jar file in "lib" folder i.e. struts-tiles-1.3.10.jar.

Step 6 :- Specify chain-config.xml to action servlet as init parameter value. Init parameter name should be "chainConfig".

Step 7 :- use the tiles definition.

Q) How to enable tiles sub framework in a struts application?

→ By using <plug-in> tag in struts-config.xml

```
<plug-in className="org.apache.struts.tiles.TilesPlugin">
  <set-property property="definitions-config"
    value="WEB-INF/tiles-defs.xml"/>
```

</plug-in>

Q) What is the significance of tiles-def.xml?

→ For each composite view of application, one definition is mentioned in this xml file. A logical name is given to each definition.

→ In each definition, layout page is specified & the actual jsp's that are to be assembled into one composite view are also specified.

→ When a tiles definition is used, tiles subframework performs the assembling of all the simple view (each tile) into a composite view around the layout page.

Q) What is the significance of tiles configuration?

⇒ Prior to Struts 1.3, tiles sub framework used its own request processor while assembling the views. In Struts 1.3+X tiles XML file is assisting tiles in creating the composite views.

Q) What is the limitation of JSP include mechanism?

⇒ JSP include mechanism provides only the reusability of output generation code but not the design reusability.  
⇒ If include page name changes, include mechanism totally fails.

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Q) How to make use of tiles definition?

⇒ <tiles:insert definition="logical name"/>

⇒ <forward name="logical name of the path to the view"  
path="logical name of the tiles definition"/>

⇒ <action path="actionpath" forward="logical name of the  
tiles definition"/>

⇒ Generally if home page is the composite view, first ~~only~~ one  
is used.

⇒ When user submitted the form, the response page has to  
be the composite view means the second one is used.

⇒ When user clicked on the hyperlink the target page has  
to have composite view means go for third style of

using the tiles definition.

Q) Develop a struts application in which tiles is used to  
develop the (composite) views of the website.

tileapplication  
footercotent.jsp  
headercontent.jsp  
homebodycontent.jsp  
homewebs.jsp  
layout.jsp  
loginbodycontent.jsp  
~~menucontent.jsp~~  
menucontenttwo.jsp  
registerbodycontent.jsp  
WEB-INF

web.xml  
struts-config.xml  
tiles-defs.xml

lib  
\*.jar (6 jar files)

struts-tiles-1.3.10.jar

http://localhost:8081/tileapplication

layout.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix="tiles"
uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-tiles" %>
<html>
<body BGCOLOR="white">
<table border="1" width="100%" height="100%">
<tr>
<td colspan="2">
<tiles:insert attribute="header"/>
</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td width="30%">
<tiles:insert attribute="menu"/>
</td>
<td>
<tiles:insert attribute="body"/>
</td>
</tr>
```

```
<tr>
<td colspan="2"><tiles:insert attribute="footer"/></td>
```

```
</tr>
```

```
</table></body></html>
```

tiles-defs.xml

```
<tiles-definitions>
```

```
<definition path="/layout.jsp" name="logindef">
```

```
<put name="header">
```

```
value = "/headercontent.jsp"/>
```

```
<put name="footer" value = "/footercontent.jsp"/>
```

```
<put name="menu" value = "/menucontent.jsp"/>
```

```
<put name="body" value = "/bodycontent.jsp"/>
```

```
</definition>
```

```
<definition name="registerdef" extends = "logindef">
```

```
<put name="body" value = "/registerbodycontent.jsp"/>
```

```
</definition>
```

```
<definition name="welchomedef" extends = "logindef">
```

```
<put name="menu" value = "/menucontenttwo.jsp"/>
```

```
<put name="body" value = "/homebodycontent.jsp"/>
```

```
</definition>
```

```
</tiles-definitions>
```

## struts-config.xml

```

<struts-config>
  <action-mappings>
    <action path="/login" forward="logindef"/>
    <action path="/register" forward="registerdef"/>
    <action path="/userhome" forward="userhomedef"/>
  </action-mappings>
  <plug-in className="org.apache.struts.tiles.TilesPlugin">
    <set-property property="definitions-config"
      value="/WEB-INF/tiles-defs.xml"/>
  </plug-in>
</struts-config>

```

## web.xml

```

<web-app>
  < servlet >
    < servlet-name > frontcontroller < /servlet-name >
    < servlet-class > org.apache.struts.action.ActionServlet < /servlet-class >
    < init-param >
      < param-name > ChainConfig < /param-name >
      < param-value > org/apache/struts/tiles/chain-config.xml < /param-value >
    < /init-param >
    < load-on-startup > 1 < /load-on-startup >
  < /servlet >
  < servlet-mapping >
    < servlet-name > frontcontroller < /servlet-name >
    < url-pattern > *.do < /url-pattern >
  < /servlet-mapping >

```

<welcome-file-list>

<welcome-file> homeview.jsp </welcome-file>

</welcome-file-list>

</web-app>

homeview.jsp

<%@ taglib prefix="tiles" %>

uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-tiles">

<tiles:insert definition="logindex"/>

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footercontent.jsp

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headercontent.jsp

<marquee>FONT COLOR="green" SIZE="4">WELCOME TO

WWW.NARESHIT.COM</FONT></MARQUEE>

www.NARESHIT.COM

homebodycontent.jsp

<center>FONT COLOR="red" SIZE="5">HELLO GUEST USER </FONT>

</center>

loginbodycontent.jsp

<form action="userhome.do">

username:<input type="text" name="username"/><br/>

password:<input type="password" name="password"/>

<br/><input type="submit" name="login"/>

</form>

menucontentone.jsp

<li><a href="login.do">login</a></li><br/>

<li><a href="register.do">Register</a></li><br/>

menucontent.jsp

```
<li><a href="login.do">Logout</a></li>
```

registerbodycontent.jsp

```
<H2>Registration goes here</H2>
```

Q) what is file uploading?

→ sending a file from client machine to web server machine.  
is nothing but file uploading.

Q) How to perform file uploading in a struts application?

→ Step1:- Develop the form bean with org.apache.struts.upload.FormFile field.

Q) → object oriented representation of user uploaded  
file is nothing but "FormFile" object.

Step2:- In execute method of action class, get the  
file details (name, content, size etc) from FormFile  
object & implement I/O logic to store the file into  
the web server machine.

Step3:- Create user input page with the following.

1) HTTP request method is POST.

2) user control type is "file".

3) make use of the following attribute with the  
specified value of form tag.

enctype = "multipart/form-data"

Step4:- Additionally place commons-fileupload.jar file  
into lib folder.

Q) Develop a struts application to implement file uploading.

→ fileuploadapplication

fileupload.jsp (input page)

success.jsp

failure.jsp

WEB-INF

web.xml

struts-config.xml

src

FileUploadAction.java

FileUploadForm.java

classes

\*.class

lib

\*.jar (6 files)

commons-fileupload.jar

http://localhost:8081/fileuploadapplication

fileupload.jsp

<html>

<body> BGCOLOR = "pink"

<center>

<h1> File Upload Screen </h1>

<form action = "fileUploadAction.do" method = "post" >

enctype = "multipart/form-data">

File location <input type = "file" name = "file" ><br>

<input type = "submit" value = "upload" >

</form>

</center>

</body>

</html>

## FileUploadAction.jsp

```
package com.narwhal.view;
import org.apache.struts.action.ActionForm;
import org.apache.struts.upload.FormFile;
public class FileUploadForm extends ActionForm
{
    private FormFile file;
    public FormFile getFile()
    {
        return file;
    }
    public void setFile(FormFile file)
    {
        this.file = file;
    }
}
```

## success.jsp

```
<html>
<body bgcolor = "pink">
<center>
<h1>file uploaded successfully</h1>
</center>
</body>
</html>
```

## failure.jsp

```
<html>
<body bgcolor="pink">
<center>
<h1>could not upload the file </h1>
</center>
</body>
</html>
```

## FileUploadAction.java

```
controller;
package com.nareshit.actions;
import java.io.FileOutputStream;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
    " org.apache.struts.action.*";
    " org.apache.struts.upload.FormFile";
    " org.apache.struts.upload.FormFile";
    " com.nareshit.view.FileUploadForm";
public class FileUploadAction extends Action {
    {
        public ActionForward execute(ActionMapping mapping,
        ActionForm form, HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse)
        Response response)
    {
        String repage = "success";
        FileUploadForm fileUploadForm = (FileUploadForm) form;
        try
        {
            Formfile formfile = fileUploadForm.getFile();
            String path = getServlet().getServletContent().getRealPath("") +
                "/" + formfile.getFileName();
```

```
FileOutputStream fos = new FileOutputStream("... (path));
fos.write (foutfile.getFileData());
fos.close();
}
}
catch (Exception e)
{
    repage = "failure";
    e.printStackTrace();
}
return mapping.findForward (repage);
}
}
```

```
1 accountapplication
2 account.jsp
3 accountdetails.jsp
4 noaccount.jsp
5
6 ---WEB-INF
7   web.xml
8
9   +---classes
10    |   struts.xml
11    |
12    +---com
13     +---nareshit
14      +---controller
15        AccountAction.class
16
17      +---service
18        AccountModel.class
19        DBUtil.class
20
21      +---vo
22        Account.class
23
24   +---lib
25    commons-logging-1.1.jar
26    freemarker-2.3.8.jar
27    ognl-2.6.11.jar
28    ojdbc14.jar
29    struts2-core-2.0.6.jar
30    xwork-2.0.1.jar
31
32   +---src
33     Account.java
34     AccountAction.java
35     AccountModel.java
36     DBUtil.java
37 http://localhost:8081/accountapplication
38 //account.jsp
39 <%@ taglib uri="/struts-tags" prefix="s" %>
40 <HTML>
41   <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
42     <CENTER>
43       <H1>Account details retrieval</H1>
44       <s:form action="account">
45         <s:textfield label="ACCOUNT NUMBER" name="accno" /> <BR><BR>
46         <s:submit value="get account details"></s:submit>
47       </s:form>
48     </CENTER>
49   </BODY>
50 </HTML>
51 -----
52 //accountdetails.jsp
53 <%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>
54 <HTML>
55   <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
56   <H1>ACCOUNT DETAITLS OF A/c No <s:property value="accno" /> </H1>
57   A/c HOLDER NAME: <s:property value="name" /> <BR>
58   BALANCE Rs. <s:property value="balance" /> <BR>
59 </BODY>
60 </HTML>
61 -----
62 // noaccount.jsp
63 <HTML>
64   <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
65     <H1>Account Doesn't exist</H1>
66   </BODY>
67 </HTML>
68 -----
69 <web-app>
70   <filter>
71     <filter-name>frontcontroller</filter-name>
72     <filter-class>org.apache.struts2.dispatcher.FilterDispatcher</filter-class>
73   </filter>
74   <filter-mapping>
75     <filter-name>frontcontroller</filter-name>
76       <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
77   </filter-mapping>
```

```
78.           <welcome-file-list>
79.               <welcome-file>account.jsp</welcome-file>
80.           </welcome-file-list>
81.       </web-app>
82. -----
83. <struts>
84.     <package name="mypack" extends="struts-default">
85.         <action name="account" class="com.nareshit.controller.AccountAction">
86.             <result name="success">/accountdetails.jsp</result>
87.             <result name="failure">/noaccount.jsp</result>
88.         </action>
89.     </package>
90. </struts>
91. -----
92. package com.nareshit.vo;
93. public class Account implements java.io.Serializable
94. {
95.     private int accno;
96.     private String name;
97.     private float balance;
98.     public void setAccno(int ano)
99.     {
100.         accno=ano;
101.     }
102.     public int getAccno()
103.     {
104.         return accno;
105.     }
106.     public void setName(String nm)
107.     {
108.         name=nm;
109.     }
110.     public String getName()
111.     {
112.         return name;
113.     }
114.     public void setBalance(float bal)
115.     {
116.         balance=bal;
117.     }
118.     public float getBalance()
119.     {
120.         return balance;
121.     }
122. } //Value Object class OR Data Transfer Object class
123. -----
124. package com.nareshit.controller;
125. import com.nareshit.vo.Account;
126. import com.nareshit.service.AccountModel;
127. public class AccountAction
128. {
129.     private int accno;
130.     private String name;
131.     private float balance;
132.     public void setAccno(int ano)
133.     {
134.         accno=ano;
135.     }
136.     public int getAccno()
137.     {
138.         return accno;
139.     }
140.     public void setName(String nm)
141.     {
142.         name=nm;
143.     }
144.     public String getName()
145.     {
146.         return name;
147.     }
148.     public void setBalance(float bal)
149.     {
150.         balance=bal;
151.     }
152.     public float getBalance()
153.     {
154.         return balance;
```

```
155
156     private static AccountModel am;
157     static
158     {
159         am=new AccountModel();
160     }
161     public String execute()
162     {
163         String rpage="failure";
164         Account acc=am.getAccountDetails(accno);
165         if(acc !=null)
166         {
167             setName(acc.getName());
168             setBalance(acc.getBalance());
169             rpage="success";
170         }
171     }
172 }
173 -----
174 package com.nareshit.service;
175 import com.nareshit.vo.Account;
176 import java.sql.*;
177 public class AccountModel
178 {
179     public Account getAccountDetails(int accno)
180     {
181         Account acc=null;
182         Connection con=null;
183         PreparedStatement ps=null;
184         ResultSet rs=null;
185         try
186         {
187             con=DBUtil.getConnection();
188             ps=con.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM ACCOUNT WHERE ACCNO=?");
189             ps.setInt(1,accno);
190             rs=ps.executeQuery();
191             if(rs.next())
192             {
193                 acc=new Account();
194                 acc.setAccno(rs.getInt(1));
195                 acc.setName(rs.getString(2));
196                 acc.setBalance(rs.getFloat(3));
197             }
198         } //try
199         catch (SQLException e)
200         {
201             e.printStackTrace();
202         }
203         finally
204         {
205             DBUtil.close(con,ps,rs);
206         }
207         return acc;
208     }
209 }
210 -----
211 package com.nareshit.service;
212 import java.sql.*;
213 public class DBUtil
214 {
215     static
216     {
217         try
218         {
219             Class.forName("oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver");
220         }
221         catch(Exception e)
222         {
223             System.out.println(e);
224         }
225     } //static initializer
226     public static Connection getConnection() throws SQLException
227     {
228         return
229             DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:oracle:thin:@localhost:1521:server","scott","tiger");
230     }
}
```

```
271     public static void close(Connection con,Statement st,ResultSet rs)
272     {
273         try{
274             if(rs !=null)
275                 rs.close();
276             if(st !=null)
277                 st.close();
278             if(con !=null)
279                 con.close();
280         }
281         catch(SQLException e){}
282     }
283 }
284 ****
285 accountsapplication
286 | account.jsp
287 | noaccount.jsp
288 | results.jsp
289 |
290 +---WEB-INF
291 |   web.xml
292 |
293 +---classes
294 |   struts.xml
295 |
296 +---com
297 |   +---nareshit
298 |   |   +---struts2
299 |   |       Account.class
300 |   |       AccountAction.class
301 |   |       AccountModel.class
302 |   |       DBUtil.class
303 |
304 +---lib
305 |   commons-dbcutils.jar
306 |   commons-logging-1.0.4.jar
307 |   freemarker-2.3.8.jar
308 |   ognl-2.6.11.jar
309 |   ojdbc14.jar
310 |   struts2-core-2.0.6.jar
311 |   xwork-2.0.1.jar
312 |
313 +---src
314 |   Account.java
315 |   AccountAction.java
316 |   AccountModel.java
317 |   DBUtil.java
318 http://localhost:8081/accountapplication
319 //account.jsp
320 <%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>
321 <html>
322     <body bgcolor=cyan>
323     <center>
324         <H1>ACCOUNT DETAILS RETRIEVAL SCREEN</H1>
325
326         <s:form action="accountAction" >
327             <s:textfield label="BALANCE RANGE" name="balance"/>
328             <s:submit/>
329         </s:form>
330     </center>
331     </body>
332 </html>
333 -----
334 //noaccount.jsp
335 <%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>
336 <HTML>
337 <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
338 <H1>NO ACCOUNT EXISTS WITH BALANCE MORE THAN Rs. <s:property value="balance" /> </H1>
339 </BODY>
340 </HTML>
341 -----
342 //results.jsp
343 <%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>
344 <HTML>
345     <BODY BGCOLOR="yellow">
346         <CENTER>
347             <H1>ACCOUNT DETAILS</H1>
```

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208 <TABLE BORDER=1 CELLPADDING=3 CELLSPACING=0>
209     <TR>
210         <TH align=right width=100>ACCNO</TH>
211         <TH align=right width=100>NAME</TH>
212         <TH align=right width=100>BALANCE</TH>
213     </TR>
214     <s:iterator id="acc" value="accounts">
215         <TR>
216             <TD align=right width=100><s:property value="accno" /></TD>
217             <TD align=right width=100><s:property value="name" /></TD>
218             <TD align=right width=100><s:property value="balance" /></TD>
219         </TR>
220     </s:iterator>
221 </CENTER>
222 </BODY>
223 </HTML>
224 -----
225 <web-app>
226     <filter>
227         <filter-name>frontcontroller</filter-name>
228         <filter-class>
229             org.apache.struts2.dispatcher.FilterDispatcher
230         </filter-class>
231     </filter>
232     <filter-mapping>
233         <filter-name>frontcontroller</filter-name>
234         <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
235     </filter-mapping>
236     <welcome-file-list>
237         <welcome-file>account.jsp</welcome-file>
238     </welcome-file-list>
239 </web-app>
240 -----
241 <struts>
242     <package name="mypack" extends="struts-default">
243         <action name="accountAction" class="com.nareshit.struts2.AccountAction">
244             <result name="success">/results.jsp</result>
245             <result name="error">/noaccount.jsp</result>
246         </action>
247     </package>
248 </struts>
249 -----
250 package com.nareshit.struts2;
251 import java.util.*;
252 public class AccountAction
253 {
254     private float balance;
255     private static AccountModel model;
256     private List<Account> accounts;
257     static
258     {
259         model=new AccountModel();
260     }
261     public void setBalance(float balance)
262     {
263         this.balance=balance;
264     }
265     public float getBalance()
266     {
267         return balance;
268     }
269     public List<Account> getAccounts()
270     {
271         return accounts;
272     }
273     public String execute() throws Exception
274     {
275         accounts=model.getAccounts(balance);
276         if(accounts!=null)
277             return "success";
278         return "error";
279     }
280 }
```

```
384 }
385 -----
386 package com.nareshit.struts2;
387 import java.sql.*;
388 import javax.sql.*;
389 import javax.naming.*;
390 import java.util.*;
391 public class AccountModel
392 {
393     public List<Account> getAccounts(float bal)
394     {
395         List<Account> accounts=null;
396         Connection con=null;
397         PreparedStatement ps=null;
398         ResultSet rs=null;
399         try
400         {
401             con=DBUtil.getConnection();
402             ps=con.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM ACCOUNT WHERE BALANCE>?");
403             ps.setFloat(1,bal);
404             rs=ps.executeQuery();
405             if(rs.next())
406             {
407                 accounts=new ArrayList();
408                 do
409                 {
410                     Account acc=new Account();
411                     acc.setAccno(rs.getInt(1));
412                     acc.setName(rs.getString(2));
413                     acc.setBalance(rs.getFloat(3));
414                     accounts.add(acc);
415                 }while(rs.next());
416             }
417         } //try
418         catch (Exception e)
419         {
420             e.printStackTrace();
421         }
422         finally
423         {
424             DBUtil.close(con,ps,rs);
425         }
426     }
427 -----
428 declarativeexpapplication
429 account.jsp
430 accountdetails.jsp
431 noaccount.jsp
432 problem.jsp
433 +---WEB-INF
434     web.xml
435 +---classes
436     struts.xml
437 +---com
438     +---nareshit
439         +---controller
440             AccountAction.class
441         +---exception
442             AccountNotFoundException.class
443             ProcessingException.class
444         +---service
445             AccountModel.class
446             DBUtil.class
447         +---vo
448             Account.class
449 +---lib
450     commons-logging-1.1.jar
451     freemarker-2.3.8.jar
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458      :    ognl-2.6.11.jar
459      :    ojdbc14.jar
460      :    struts2-core-2.0.6.jar
461      :    xwork-2.0.1.jar
462 http://localhost:8081/declarativeexpapplication
463 //account.jsp
464 <%@ taglib uri="/struts-tags" prefix="s" %>
465 <HTML>
466   <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
467     <CENTER>
468       <H1>Account details retrieval</H1>
469       <s:form action="account">
470         <s:textfield label="ACCOUNT NUMBER" name="accno" /> <BR><BR>
471         <s:submit value="get account details"></s:submit>
472       </s:form>
473     </CENTER>
474   </BODY>
475 </HTML>
476 -----
477 //accountdetails.jsp
478 <%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>
479 <HTML>
480   <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
481     <H1>ACCOUNT DETAILTS OF A/c No <s:property value="accno" /> </H1>
482     A/c HOLDER NAME: <s:property value="name" /> <BR>
483     BALANCE Rs. <s:property value="balance" /> <BR>
484   </BODY>
485 </HTML>
486 -----
487 <HTML>
488   <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
489     <H1>Account Doesn't exist</H1>
490   </BODY>
491 </HTML>
492 -----
493 //problem.jsp
494 <HTML>
495   <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
496     <FONT COLOR="red" SIZE="5">
497       Server problem. Please try later
498     </FONT>
499   </BODY>
500 </HTML>
501 -----
502 <web-app>
503   <filter>
504     <filter-name>frontcontroller</filter-name>
505     <filter-class>org.apache.struts2.dispatcher.FilterDispatcher</filter-class>
506   </filter>
507   <filter-mapping>
508     <filter-name>frontcontroller</filter-name>
509     <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
510   </filter-mapping>
511   <welcome-file-list>
512     <welcome-file>account.jsp</welcome-file>
513   </welcome-file-list>
514 </web-app>
515 -----
516 <struts>
517   <package name="mypack" extends="struts-default">
518     <action name="account" class="com.nareshit.controller.AccountAction">
519       <exception-mapping>
520         exception="com.nareshit.exception.AccountNotFoundException"
521         result="noacc" />
522       <exception-mapping>
523         exception="com.nareshit.exception.ProcessingException"
524         result="problem" />
525       <result name="success">/accountdetails.jsp</result>
526       <result name="noacc">/noaccount.jsp</result>
527       <result name="problem">/problem.jsp</result>
528     </action>
529   </package>
530 </struts>
531 -----
532 package com.nareshit.controller;
533 import com.nareshit.vo.Account;
534 import com.nareshit.service.AccountModel;
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531 public class AccountAction
532 {
533     private int accno;
534     private String name;
535     private float balance;
536     private static AccountModel am;
537     public void setAccno(int ano)
538     {
539         accno=ano;
540     }
541     public int getAccno()
542     {
543         return accno;
544     }
545     public void setName(String nm)
546     {
547         name=nm;
548     }
549     public String getName()
550     {
551         return name;
552     }
553     public void setBalance(float bal)
554     {
555         balance=bal;
556     }
557     public float getBalance()
558     {
559         return balance;
560     }
561     static
562     {
563         am=new AccountModel();
564     }
565     public String execute() throws Exception
566     {
567         Account acc=am.getAccountDetails(accno);
568         setName(acc.getName());
569         setBalance(acc.getBalance());
570         return "success";
571     }
572 }
573 -----
574 package com.nareshit.service;
575 import com.nareshit.vo.Account;
576 import java.sql.*;
577 import com.nareshit.exception.AccountNotFoundException;
578 import com.nareshit.exception.ProcessingException;
579
580 public class AccountModel
581 {
582     public Account getAccountDetails(int accno) throws
583     AccountNotFoundException,ProcessingException
584     {
585         Account acc=null;
586         Connection con=null;
587         PreparedStatement ps=null;
588         ResultSet rs=null;
589         try
590         {
591             con=DBUtil.getConnection();
592             ps=con.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM ACCOUNT WHERE ACCNO=?");
593             ps.setInt(1,accno);
594             rs=ps.executeQuery();
595             if(rs.next())
596             {
597                 acc=new Account();
598                 acc.setAccno(rs.getInt(1));
599                 acc.setName(rs.getString(2));
600                 acc.setBalance(rs.getFloat(3));
601             }
602             else
603                 throw new AccountNotFoundException();
604         } //try
605         catch (SQLException e)
606         {
607             throw new ProcessingException();
608         }
609     }

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607     }
608     finally{
609         {
610             DBUtil.close(con,ps,rs);
611         }
612     }
613 }
614 }
615 -----
616 annotationvalidationapplication
617     failure.jsp
618     login.jsp
619     mystyle.css
620     welcome.jsp
621 }
622 +---WEB-INF
623     web.xml
624     +---classes
625         struts.xml
626     +---edu
627         +---nit
628             +---struts2
629                 LoginAction.class
630
631 +---lib
632     commons-logging-1.1.jar
633     freemarker-2.3.8.jar
634     ognl-2.6.11.jar
635     struts2-core-2.0.6.jar
636     xwork-2.0.1.jar
637
638 +---src
639     LoginAction.java
640 http://localhost:8081/annotationvalidationapplication
641 //mystyle.css
642 .errorMessage {
643     color: #CB3216;
644     font-size: 20px;
645 }
646 -----
647 //login.jsp
648 <%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>
649 <html>
650 <head>
651     <title>Validation Using Annotation - Login</title>
652     <link rel="stylesheet" href="mystyle.css" type="text/css" />
653 </head>
654 <body bgcolor=cyan>
655 <center>
656     <h1>Login Screen</h1>
657     <s:actionerror />
658     <s:form action="loginAction" validate="true">
659         <s:textfield label="Name" name="username"/>
660         <s:password label="password" name="password"/>
661         <s:submit/>
662     </s:form>
663 </center>
664     </body>
665 </html>
666 -----
667 package edu.nit.struts2;
668 import com.opensymphony.xwork2.validator.annotations.*;
669 import com.opensymphony.xwork2.*;
670 public class LoginAction extends ActionSupport
671 {
672     String username;
673     String password;
674     @RequiredFieldValidator(fieldName = "username", message = "User Name field is empty.")
675     public void setUsername(String name)
676     {
677         username = name;
678     }
679     public String getUsername()
680     {
681         return username;
682     }
683 }
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```
684     }
685     @RequiredFieldValidator(fieldName = "password", message = "Password field is empty.")
686     public void setPassword(String password)
687     {
688         this.password=password;
689     }
690     public String getPassword()
691     {
692         return password;
693     }
694     public String execute() throws Exception
695     {
696         if(getUsername().equals(getPassword()))
697             return SUCCESS;
698         else
699             return ERROR ;
700     }
701 }
702 -----
703 <struts>
704     <package name="login" extends="struts-default">
705         <action name="loginAction" class="edu.nit.struts2.LoginAction">
706             <result name="success"/>/welcome.jsp</result>
707             <result name="input"/>/login.jsp</result>
708             <result name="error"/>/failure.jsp</result>
709
710         </action>
711     </package>
712 </struts>
713 ****
714 declarativevalidationapplication
715 failure.jsp
716 login.jsp
717 mystyle.css
718 welcome.jsp
719
720 +---WEB-INF
721     |   web.xml
722
723     +---classes
724         |       struts.xml
725
726         +---edu
727             +---nit
728                 +---struts2
729                     LoginAction-validation.xml
730                     LoginAction.class
731
732     +---lib
733         commons-logging-1.1.jar
734         freemarker-2.3.8.jar
735         ognl-2.6.11.jar
736         ojdbc14.jar
737         struts2-core-2.0.6.jar
738         xwork-2.0.1.jar
739
740     +---src
741         LoginAction.java
742 http://localhost:8081/declarativevalidationapplication
743 package edu.nit.struts2;
744 import com.opensymphony.xwork2.*;
745 public class LoginAction extends ActionSupport
746 {
747     String username;
748     String password;
749     public void setUsername(String name)
750     {
751         username = name;
752     }
753     public String getUsername()
754     {
755         return username;
756     }
757     public void setPassword(String password)
758     {
759         this.password=password;
760     }
761 }
```

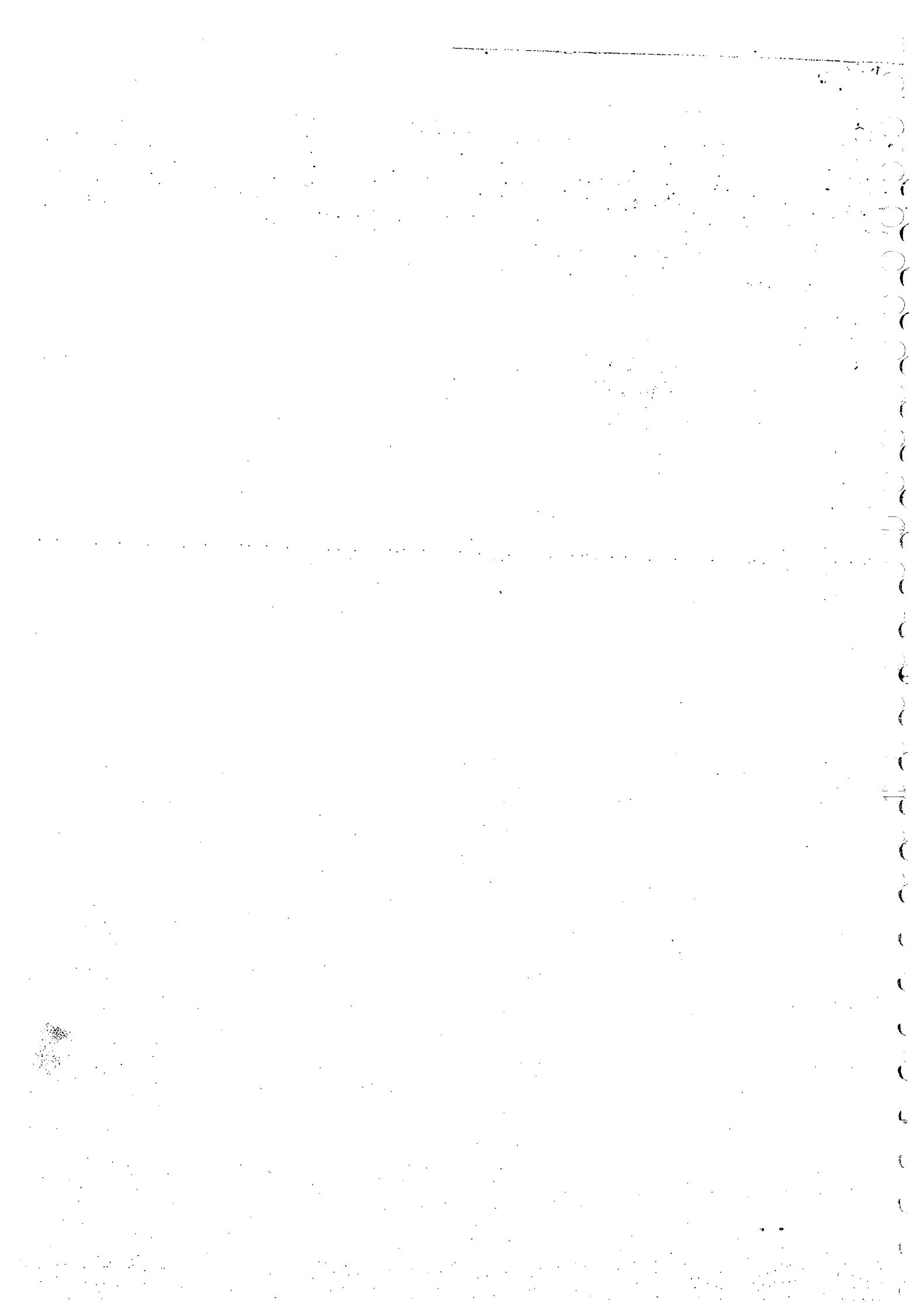
```
766     public String getPassword()
767     {
768         return password;
769     }
770     public String execute() throws Exception
771     {
772         if(getUsername().equals(getPassword()))
773             return SUCCESS;
774         else
775             return ERROR ;
776     }
777 -----
778 <struts>
779     <package name="login" extends="struts-default">
780         <action name="loginAction" class="edu.nit.struts2.LoginAction">
781             <result name="success"/>/welcome.jsp</result>
782             <result name="input">/login.jsp</result>
783             <result name="error"/>/failure.jsp</result>
784         </action>
785     </package>
786 </struts>
787 -----
788 //LoginAction-validation.xml
789 <validators>
790     <field name="username">
791         <field-validator type="requiredstring">
792             <message>user name is required</message>
793         </field-validator>
794     </field>
795     <field name="password">
796         <field-validator type="requiredstring">
797             <message>Password field is empty.</message>
798         </field-validator>
799         <field-validator type="stringlength">
800             <param name="maxLength">10</param>
801             <param name="minLength">4</param>
802             <param name="trim">true</param>
803             <message>Enter password 4-10 characters long.</message>
804         </field-validator>
805     </field>
806 </validators>
807 -----
808 //login.jsp
809 <%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>
810 <html>
811     <head>
812         <title>Validation declaratively</title>
813         <link rel="stylesheet" href="mystyle.css" type="text/css" />
814     </head>
815     <body bgcolor=cyan>
816         <center>
817             <h1>Login Screen</h1>
818             <s:form action="loginAction">
819                 <s:textfield label="Name" name="username"/>
820                 <s:password label="password" name="password"/>
821                 <s:submit/>
822             </s:form>
823         </center>
824     </body>
825 </html>
826 ****
827 i18napplication
828 |   login.jsp
829 |   welcome.jsp
830 +---WEB-INF
831 |   web.xml
832 |   ---src
833 |       IndexAction.java
834 |       LoginAction.java
835 |   ---lib
836 |       commons-logging-1.0.4.jar
837 |       freemarker-2.3.8.jar
838 |       ognl-2.6.11.jar
839 |       struts2-core-2.0.6.jar
840 |       xwork-2.0.1.jar
841 +---classes
```

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827 |     struts.properties
828 |     struts.xml
829 |     +---edu
830 |         +---nit
831 |             +---struts2
832 |                 IndexAction.class
833 |                 LoginAction.class
834 |                 ResourceBundle_de.properties
835 |                 ResourceBundle_en.properties
836 |                 ResourceBundle_fr.properties
837 http://localhost:8081/struts2i18n
838 //login.jsp
839 <%@ taglib uri="/struts-tags" prefix="s" %>
840 <html>
841     <body bgcolor=cyan>
842         <center>
843             <h2 align="center">
844                 <s:text name="app.change"/> |
845                 <a href="index.action?request_locale=de">German</a> |
846                 <a href="index.action?request_locale=en">English</a> |
847                 <a href="index.action?request_locale=fr">French</a> !
848             <br><br>
849             <hr>
850                 <s:actionerror />
851                     <s:form action="loginAction" method="post">
852                         <s:textfield name="username" key="app.username" size="15" />
853                         <s:password name="password" key="app.password" size="15"/>
854                         <s:submit key="app.submit"/>
855                     </s:form>
856             </center>
857         </body>
858     </html>
859 -----
860 //welcome.jsp
861 <%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>
862 <html>
863     <body BGCOLOR=yellow>
864         <h2><s:text name="app.success_login"/></h2>
865         <a href="index.action"><s:text name="app.logout"/></a>
866     </body>
867 </html>
868 -----
869 <web-app>
870     <filter>
871         <filter-name>struts2</filter-name>
872         <filter-class>org.apache.struts2.dispatcher.FilterDispatcher</filter-class>
873     </filter>
874     <filter-mapping>
875         <filter-name>struts2</filter-name>
876         <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
877     </filter-mapping>
878     <welcome-file-list>
879         <welcome-file>login.jsp</welcome-file>
880     </welcome-file-list>
881 </web-app>
882 -----
883 package edu.nit.struts2;
884 import com.opensymphony.xwork2.ActionSupport;
885 public class IndexAction extends ActionSupport
886 {
887     public String execute() throws Exception
888     {
889         return SUCCESS;
890     }
891 }
892 -----
893 package edu.nit.struts2;
894 import com.opensymphony.xwork2.*;
895 public class LoginAction extends ActionSupport
896 {
897     String username;
898     String password;
899     public void setUsername(String name)
900     {
901         username = name;
902     }
903     public String getUsername()
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911         return username;
912     }
913     public void setPassword(String password)
914     {
915         this.password=password;
916     }
917     public String getPassword()
918     {
919         return password;
920     }
921     public String execute() throws Exception
922     {
923         if(getUsername().equals(getPassword()))
924             return SUCCESS;
925         else
926         {
927             this.addActionError(getText("app.invalid"));
928             return ERROR;
929         }
930     }
931     public void validate()
932     {
933         if(getPassword().length()==0)
934             addFieldError("password",getText("app.password.blank"));
935         if(getUsername().length()==0)
936             addFieldError("username",getText("app.username.blank"));
937     }
938     -----
939 // ResourceBundle_de.properties
940 app.username=Benutzer Name
941 app.password=Kennwort
942 app.success_login=Willkommen! Du hast erfolgreich angemeldet.
943 app.username.blank=Benutzer-Name wird angefordert
944 app.password.blank=Kennwort wird angefordert
945 app.invalid=Unzulässiger Benutzer-Name oder Kennwort.
946 app.submit=Login
947 app.logout=Ablmelden
948 app.change=Sprache ändern
949 -----
950 // ResourceBundle_en.properties
951 app.username=User Name
952 app.password=Password
953 app.success_login=Welcome! You have logged in Successfully.
954 app.username.blank=User Name is Required
955 app.password.blank=Password is Required
956 app.submit=Login
957 logout=Logout
958 app.invalid=Invalid User Name or Password.
959 app.change=Change Language
960 -----
961 // ResourceBundle_fr.properties
962 app.username=Nom d'utilisateur
963 app.password=Mot de passe
964 app.success_login=Bienvenue ! Vous avez entré avec succès.
965 app.username.blank=Le nom d'utilisateur est exigé
966 app.password.blank=Le mot de passe est exigé
967 app.invalid=Nom ou mot de passe inadmissible d'utilisateur
968 app.submit=Ouverture
969 logout=Déconnexion
970 -----
971 // struts.properties
972 struts.custom.i18n.resources=edu.nit.struts2.ResourceBundle
973 -----
974 // struts.xml
975 <struts>
976     <package name="i18npack" extends="struts-default">
977         <action name="loginAction" class="edu.nit.struts2.LoginAction">
978             <result name="success">/welcome.jsp</result>
979             <result name="error">/login.jsp</result>
980             <result name="input">/login.jsp</result>
981         </action>
982         <action name="index" class="edu.nit.struts2.IndexAction">
983             <result name="success">login.jsp</result>
984         </action>
985     </package>
```

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991 </struts>
992 ****
993 tilesapplication
994 |   farewelbodycontent.jsp
995 |   footercontent.jsp
996 |   headercontent.jsp
997 |   home.jsp
998 |   layout.jsp
999 |   loginbodycontent.jsp
1000 |   menucontent.jsp
1001 +---WEB-INF
1002 |   tiles.xml
1003 |   web.xml
1004 +---src
1005 |   LogoutAction.java
1006 +---lib
1007 |   commons-beanutils-1.7.0.jar
1008 |   commons-digester-1.8.jar
1009 |   commons-logging-api-1.1.jar
1010 |   freemarker-2.3.8.jar
1011 |   ognl-2.6.11.jar
1012 |   struts2-core-2.0.6.jar
1013 |   struts2-tiles-plugin-2.0.6.jar
1014 |   tiles-api-2.0.1.jar
1015 |   tiles-core-2.0.1.jar
1016 |   xwork-2.0.1.jar
1017 +---classes
1018 |   struts.xml
1019 +---com
1020 |   +---nit
1021 |       +---struts2
1022 |           LogoutAction.class
1023 http://localhost:8081/tilesapplication
1024 //home.jsp
1025 <%@ taglib uri="http://tiles.apache.org/tags-tiles" prefix="tiles" %>
1026 <tiles:insertDefinition name="homedef" />
1027 -----
1028 //headercontent.jsp
1029 <MARQUEE><FONT COLOR="green" SIZE="6">WELCOME TO WWW.NIT.EDU</FONT></MARQUEE>
1030 -----
1031 //layout.jsp
1032 <%@ taglib uri="http://tiles.apache.org/tags-tiles" prefix="tiles" %>
1033 <html>
1034     <body BGCOLOR="wheat">
1035         <table border="1" width="100%" height="100%">
1036             <tr>
1037                 <td colspan="2">
1038                     <tiles:insertAttribute name="header"/>
1039                 </td>
1040             </tr>
1041             <tr>
1042                 <td width="30%"><tiles:insertAttribute name="menu"/> </td>
1043                 <td><tiles:insertAttribute name="body"/></td>
1044             </tr>
1045             <tr>
1046                 <td colspan="2"><tiles:insertAttribute name="footer"/></td>
1047             </tr>
1048         </table>
1049     </body>
1050 </html>
1051 -----
1052 //menucontent.jsp
1053 <li><a href="logout.action">Logout</a></li>
1054 -----
1055 //loginbodycontent.jsp
1056 <H1>LOGIN SCREEN COMES HERE</H1>
1057 -----
1058 //farewelbodycontent.jsp
1059 <H1>THANK YOU VISIT AGAIN</H1>
1060 -----
1061 //footercontent.jsp
1062 <center><i><FONT COLOR="green" SIZE="6">Naresh i technologies, Ameerpet</FONT></i></center>
1063 -----
1064 //tiles.xml
1065 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1" ?>
1066 <!DOCTYPE tiles-definitions PUBLIC
1067     "-//Apache Software Foundation//DTD Tiles Configuration 2.0//EN"
```

```
1069 "http://tiles.apache.org/dtds/tiles-config_2.0.dtd">.
1070 <tiles-definitions>
1071 <definition name="homedef" template="/layout.jsp">
1072   <put-attribute name="header" value="/headercontent.jsp"/>
1073   <put-attribute name="menu" value="/menucontent.jsp"/>
1074   <put-attribute name="body" value="/loginbodycontent.jsp"/>
1075   <put-attribute name="footer" value="/footercontent.jsp"/>
1076 </definition>
1077 <definition name="logoutdef" extends="homedef">
1078   <put-attribute name="body" value="/farewelbodycontent.jsp"/>
1079 </definition>
1080 </tiles-definitions>
1081 -----
1082 //web.xml
1083 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
1084 <web-app version="2.4" xmlns="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/j2ee"
1085   xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
1086   xsi:schemaLocation="http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/j2ee http://java.sun.com/xml/ns/j2ee/web-app_2_4.xsd">
1087 <filter>
1088   <filter-name>struts2</filter-name>
1089   <filter-class>org.apache.struts2.dispatcher.FilterDispatcher</filter-class>
1090 </filter>
1091 <filter-mapping>
1092   <filter-name>struts2</filter-name>
1093   <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
1094 </filter-mapping>
1095 <listener>
1096   <listener-class>org.apache.struts2.tiles.StrutsTilesListener</listener-class>
1097 </listener>
1098 <welcome-file-list>
1099   <welcome-file>home.jsp</welcome-file>
1100 </welcome-file-list>
1101 </web-app>
1102 -----
1103 //struts.xml
1104 <struts>
1105 <package name="default" extends="tiles-default">
1106   <action name="logout" class="com.nit.struts2.LogoutAction">
1107     <result name="farewel" type="tiles">logoutdef</result>
1108   </action>
1109 </package>
1110 </struts>
1111 -----
1112 //LogoutAction.java
1113 package com.nit.struts2;
1114 public class LogoutAction
1115 {
1116     public String execute() throws Exception
1117     {
1118         return "farewel";
1119     }
1120 }
```



```
FileOutputStream fos = new FileOutputStream("part");
fos.write (fomfile.getFileData());
fos.close();
}
catch (Exception e)
{
    repage = "failure";
    e.printStackTrace();
}
return mapping.findForward("part");
}
}
```

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How to implement multi action controller (sub controller) in a Struts application?

→ To unify multiple related use-cases into one action class, Struts Framework has given the following built-in action classes.

1. DispatchAction
  2. LookupDispatchAction
  3. MappingDispatchAction
  4. EventDispatchAction

Q: How to make use of DispatchAction in a Struts Application ?

Step 1: Develop a user defined action class that extends  
org.apache.struts.actions.DispatchAction

Step 2: In the action class, implement as many user-defined methods as there are use-cases to unify (combine).

→ User-defined method name can be anything but its prototype should resemble that of execute.

→ Should not implement execute() method in the user-defined action.

Step 3: Configure the user-defined action class as usual in struts configuration file with an additional attribute "Parameter". We can give any user-defined string as value to this attribute.

Step 4: Create input page by observing the following things

1. All the input screens point to the same action (Path)

2. Request Parameter name of the webform should be that of "Parameter" attribute value.

3. Request Parameter value of the webform to submit button caption should be user-defined method name of the corresponding use case implemented in the action class.

Q: Develop a struts application in which, multiple usecases are implemented in a single action class using DispatchAction.

~~dispatch~~ dispatchactionapplication

Storeemp.jsp  
Deleteemp.jsp

Success.jsp  
Failure.jsp

WEB-INF

Web.xml

src  
Struts-Config.xml

EmployeeAction.java

EmployeeForm.java

EmployeeModel.java

Classes  
n.o.f. Class

http://localhost:8081/  
dispatchapplication

## Employeeform.java

```
Package com.nareeshit.form;  
import org.apache.struts.action.ActionForm;  
Public class Employeeform extends Actionform  
{  
    Private int empno;  
    Private String name;  
    Private float salary;  
    // Setters & getters  
}
```

## Struts-config.xml

```
<struts-config>  
<form-beans>  
<form-bean name="employeeform"  
    type="com.nareeshit.form.EmployeeForm"/>  
</form-beans>  
<global-forwards>  
<forward name="Success" path="/Success.jsp"/>  
<forward name="failure" path="/failure.jsp"/>  
</global-forwards>  
<action-mappings>  
<action name="employeeform" path="/emp"  
    type="com.nareeshit.action.Employeeaction" Parameter="empdata"/>  
</action-mappings>  
</struts-config>
```

## Employeeaction.java

```
Package com.nareeshit.action;  
import javax.servlet.http.*;  
import org.apache.struts.action.*;  
import org.apache.struts.actions.DispatchAction;
```

```
import com.nareeshit.model.EmployeeModel;  
import com.nareeshit.form.EmployeeForm;
```

```
Public class EmployeeAction extends DispatchAction
```

```
{ EmployeeModel em = new EmployeeModel();
```

```
Public ActionForward appointEmployee (ActionMapping mapping, ActionForm form, HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response)
```

```
{ EmployeeForm ef = (EmployeeForm)form;
```

```
int empno = ef.getEmpno();
```

```
String name = ef.getName();
```

```
float salary = ef.getSalary();
```

```
boolean flag = em.StoreEmployee (empno, name, salary);
```

```
If (flag)
```

```
return mapping.findForward ("Success");
```

```
return mapping.findForward ("failure");
```

```
}
```

```
Public ActionForward fireEmployee (- - -)
```

```
{ EmployeeForm ef = (EmployeeForm)form;
```

```
int empno = ef.getEmpno();
```

```
boolean flag = em.deleteEmployee (empno);
```

```
If (flag)
```

```
return mapping.findForward ("Success");
```

```
return mapping.findForward ("failure");
```

```
}
```

## storeemp.jsp

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```

<%@ taglib prefix="html" uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-html"%>
<html>
  <body bgcolor="cyan">
    <center>
      <h1> Appoint Employee </h1>
    </center>
    <html:form action="/emp" method="post">
      Empno <html:text property="Empno" value=""/>
      <br><br>
      Name <html:text property="name" value="" />
      <br><br>
      Salary <html:text property="Salary" value=""/>
      <br><br>
      <html:submit property="emptask" /> appointEmployee </html:submit>
    </center>
    </body>
  </html>

```

## deleteemp.jsp

```

<%@ taglib prefix="html" uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-html"%>
<html>
  <body bgcolor="cyan">
    <center>
      <h1> fire Employee </h1>
    </center>
    <html:form action="/emp" method="post">
      Empno <html:text property="Empno" value=""/>
      <br><br>
      <html:submit property="emptask" /> fireEmployee </html:submit>
    </html:form>
    </body>
  </html>

```

### EmployeeModel.java

```
package com.nareeshit.model;
public class EmployeeModel {
    { Public boolean storeEmployee(int empno, String name, float salary)
        { boolean flag = false;
            if (empno > 1000)
                flag = true;
            // to write JDBC code to insert the record
            return flag;
        }
    Public boolean deleteEmployee (int empno)
        { boolean flag = false;
            if (empno > 1000)
                flag = true;
            // to write JDBC code to delete the record.
            return flag;
        }
    }
```

### Web.xml :

```
<welcome-file-list>
    <welcome-file>storeemp.jsp</welcome-file>
    <welcome-file>deleteemp.jsp</welcome-file>
</welcome-file-list>
```

### Success.jsp

```
<h1> Employee task Performed successfully </h1>
failure.jsp
```

```
<h1> Employee operation failed </h1>
```

NOTE : Place 3 jar file in Classpath before Compiling the actionClass

1. Servlet-api.jar
2. Struts-core-1.3.10.jar & Struts-extras-1.3.10.jar

Q: How does DispatchAction function?

- When ActionServlet creates the user defined action class instance,
- it inherits execute method of DispatchAction class.
- ActionServlet calls that execute Method.
- Based on the submit button caption, execute method knows to call the corresponding user defined method.
- Remaining flow as usual.

Q: What are the limitations of DispatchAction?

- 1. for all the use-cases, action should use the same form bean.
- 2. Can't support i18n

Q: Explain about LookupDispatchAction?

- org.apache.struts.actions.LookupDispatchAction is a subclass of DispatchAction. It is also one of the built-in actions of struts.
- Its purpose is to unify multiple use-cases into a single action class with i18n support.
- Making use of LookupDispatchAction involves the following steps

- Step1: Develop resource bundles with appropriate key, value pairs.
- Step2: Develop a Java class that extends LookupDispatchAction.
- Step3: Implement as many user defined methods as there are use-cases to unify.
- Method prototype should be that of execute method except name.

Notes: Should not override execute() method like in DispatchAction.

- Step 4: Implement getKeyMethodMap() in the user defined action class  
→ In this method Create HashMap object.  
→ Number of entries in HashMap is equal to the numbers of user defined methods implemented in the action class.  
→ Each entry in HashMap is as follows

Key :- Resource bundle Key

Value :- User defined method name

Step 5: Configure the action class in struts-config.xml with "Parameters" as additional attribute in <action> tag. give a user defined name as value to that attribute.

Step 6: Observe the following in input page development

- all input screens should point to the same action class (path)
- request parameter name of each input page should be that is the name given as value to "Parameters" attribute of the <action> tag.
- give caption to the submit buttons of each input page using <bean:message>

Q: How does LookupDispatchAction function?

- Its execute method performs the following things
- Captures the submit button caption.
  - Performs reverse lookup in appropriate resource bundle to get the key corresponding to submit button caption.
  - Calls getKeyMethodMap() method and searches for the user defined java method in Map object by using resource bundle key as search criteria.

Q. invokes the user defined method of user defined action.

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Q. Develop a Struts application in which multiple use cases are unified in an action class using : LookupDispatchAction.

### lookupdispatchactionapplication

Stoneemp.jsp

deleteemp.jsp

Success.jsp

Failure.jsp

WEB-INF

Web.xml

Struts-Config.xml

Src

EmployeeAction.java

EmployeeForm.java

EmployeeModel.java

Class

# Class

ApplicationResources-it.properties

ApplicationResources-en.properties

lib

\*.jar (6+1)

http://localhost:8081/lookupdispatchactionapplication.

### ApplicationResources-en.properties

insert = Stone Employee (English)

edit = delete Employee (English)

Success = Employee task successful (English)

Failure = Employee task failed (English)

### ApplicationResources-it.properties

insert = Stone employee (Italian)

edit = delete employee (Italian)

Success = Employee task successful (Italian)

Failure = Employee task failed (Italian)

## EmployeeAction.java

```
import org.apache.struts.actions.LookupDispatchAction;  
public class EmployeeAction extends LookupDispatchAction  
{  
    public ActionForward appointEmployee(...)  
    {  
        ...  
    }  
    public ActionForward fireEmployee(...)  
    {  
        ...  
    }  
    public Map getKeyMethodMap()  
    {  
        Map map = new HashMap();  
        map.put("insrt", "appointEmployee");  
        map.put("dlt", "fireEmployee");  
        return map;  
    } // Action Class
```

## Storeemp.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix="bean" uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-bean"  
...  
<html:submit property="empTask"><bean:message key="insrt"/>  
</html:su
```

## Deleteemp.jsp

```
<% @
```

```
<html:submit property="empTask"><bean:message key="dlt"/>
```

```
<%@ taglib prefix="bean" uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-bean"%>
<html>
  <body BGCOLOR="wheat">
    <h1>
      {bean: message key="Gresponse"}
    </h1>
  </body>
</html>
```

### failure.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix="bean" uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-bean"%>
<html>
  <body BGCOLOR="wheat">
    <h1>
      {bean: message key="fresponse"}
    </h1>
  </body>
</html>
```

### Struts-config.xml

→ Make entry for resource bundle

Q: What is the limitation of LookupDispatchAction ?

→ We can't use multiple form beans for the use-cases.  
i.e all the use-cases should use the same form bean.

→ Make use of MappingDispatchAction to overcome this limitation  
(This is introduced in Struts 2.0 and LookupDispatchAction was introduced prior to 1.2 version)

Q: How to make use of MappingDispatchAction in a Struts Application ?

Step1: Develop a user-defined action class that extends org.apache.struts.actions.MappingDispatchAction.

Step2: Implement as many user-defined methods as there are tasks, unify in the action class. Don't override execute() method.

Step3: Configure the action class in struts-config.xml with parameters as additional attribute. Attribute value to be the user-defined method name. for each use-case, configure action class once. We can configure action class multiple times. Therefore, we get the chance to use different forms for different use-cases.

Step4: Create input pages with the following observations.

a. Submit button request parameter name can be anything. But value (caption) should be user-defined method.

b. action path has to be the one which is configured individually in the configuration file.

Note: Client request is directly mapped to user-defined method hence the name for the action.

→ MappingDispatchAction does not support i18n.

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Q: Develop a Struts application in which, MappingDispatchAction is used to unify multiple use-cases into one action class MappingDispatchActionApplication

- Storeemp.jsp

- Deleteemp.jsp

- Success.jsp

- Failure.jsp

WEB-INF

Web.xml

Struts-config.xml

Src..

EmployeeAction.java

EmployeeForm.java

EmployeeModel.java

Classes

\* Class

lib\*.jar(6+1)

http://localhost:8081/mappingdispatchactionapplication

Struts-config.xml

<Struts-config>

<form-beans>

-<form-bean name="employeeform" type="~~org~~.com.nareshit.form.EmployeeForm"/>

<form-bean name="employeeform2" type="org.apache.struts.action.DynaActionForm">

<form-property name="empno" type="java.lang.Integer"/>

</form-bean>

</form-beans>

<global-forwards>

<forward name="Success" path="/success.jsp"/>

<forward name="failure" path="/failure.jsp"/>

</global-forwards>

<action-mappings>

<action name="employeeform" path="/screemp"

type="com.nareshit.action.EmployeeAction"

parameter="appointEmployee"/>

<action name="employeeform2" path="/deleteemp"

type="com.nareshit.action.EmployeeAction"

parameter="fireEmployee"/>

</action-mappings>

</Struts-config>

### Storeemp.jsp (from dispatchactionapplication)

```
<html:form action="/Storeemp" method="post">
  ...
  <html:submit> appointEmployee</html:submit>
```

### deleteemp.jsp (from dispatchactionapplication)

```
<html:form action="/Deleteemp" Method="POST">
  ...
  <html:submit> fireEmployee</html:submit>
```

### EmployeeAction.java

```
import org.apache.struts.actions.MappingDispatchAction;
```

```
public class EmployeeAction extends MappingDispatchAction
{ ... }
```

```
  public ActionForward fireEmployee(..)
```

```
  {
    Dynactionform daf = (Dynactionform) form;
    int empno = daf.getInt("empno");
  }
```

```
  public ActionForward appointEmployee(..)
```

```
  { ... }
```

```
} // multi-action controller
```

Note: All other files from "dispatchactionapplication".

Q: Explain about EventDispatchAction.

→ It is one of the built-in actions of Struts.

→ org.apache.struts.actions.EventDispatchAction is a subclass of DispatchAction.

→ Its purpose is of that of its parent. i.e EventDispatchAction is used to create multi-action controllers in a Struts application.

→ It supports two ways for different use case if required.

→ EventDispatchAction usage involves the following steps

Step1: develop a user-defined action class that extends EventDispatchAction.

Step2: for each use-case develop a user-defined method with execute prototype but different method name.

Step3: Configure the action class (any number of times) with parameter attribute whose value is the user defined method name.

for e.g

```
<action path="/emp"
    Parameter="appointEmployee,remove=fireEmployee"
    type="com.nareshit.action.EmployeeAction"
    name="Employeeform">
```

OR

```
<action path="/Storeemp" Parameter="appointEmployee"
    type="com.nareshit.action.EmployeeAction"
    name="Employeeform1">
```

```
<action path="/Deleteemp" Parameter="fireEmployee"
    type="com.nareshit.action.EmployeeAction"
    name="Employeeform2">
```

Step4 Submit button caption(request parameter value) can be anything. But submit button name (request parameter) name should be the specified value in <action> tag i.e user defined method name or alias name.

for e.g

```
<html:submit property="remove"><bean:message key="dit">
</html:submit>
```

Q: Develop a Struts Application in which, EventDispatchAction is used to unify multiple use-cases into one action class.

Assignment  
from Mapping & lookups/patch

Q: Explain about Modularising a Struts application.

→ Dividing a master Struts application into discrete modules is nothing but modularising the Struts application.

→ Each module has its own jsp, formbeans, action classes and configuration file.

→ To support project modules, modularisation concept is given by Struts. It provides development convenience.

→ Modularising a Struts application involves the following

Step 1: Develop a configuration file per module

- for eg

struts-config.xml (default module)

struts-config-user.xml (user module)

struts-config-admin.xml (admin module)

→ Configure the jsp, formbeans, action classes of each module in configuration file.

Step 2: Supply Configuration files to ActionServlet as init Parameter

for eg

<Servlet>

<Servlet-name>frontController</Servlet-name>

<Servlet-class>org.apache.struts.action.ActionServlet</Servlet-

<init-param>

<param-name>Config</param-name>

<param-value>/WEB-INF/struts-config.xml</param-value>

</init-param>

<param-name>Config/admin</param-name>

<param-value>/WEB-INF/struts-config-admin.xml</param-

</init-param>

```
<init-param>
  {param-name}config/usec</param-name>
  {param-value}/WEB-INF/struts-config-user.xml</param-value>
</init-param>
</servlet>
```

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Q: How does Modularisation work in the background?

- As soon as the application is deployed, within the `init` method of `ActionServlet`, each configuration file is converted into `ModuleConfig` object and is stored into application scope.
- Each `ModuleConfig` object is stored in `ServletContext` with module prefix appended to some constant used by framework as attribute name.
- Whenever client request comes, based on the module prefix, appropriate `ModuleConfig` object is retrieved from application scope to provide support for the use-case functionality.

Q: Explain about `SwitchAction`

- It is one of the built-in Struts action classes.
- It is similar to that of `ForwardAction` except linking to the JSP of other module.
- `SwitchAction` takes the module prefix from the query string of the link and switches the module before switching the control to the target page.
- Following steps are involved in using `SwitchAction` in a Struts application.

Step 1 Configure this built-in action class in `struts-config.xml`

- <action path="/switchmodule"  
    type="org.apache.struts.actions.SwitchAction"/>

Step 2 Create the hyperlink as follows

< a href = ./SwitchModule.do?Prefix=/admin&Page=/some.d  
    CLICK HERE </a>

Q: Explain about double Submit issue in a Struts application.

- User may submit the same webform twice which is nothing but double Submission issue.
- Double submission of the web form some times is irritating for the end-user and sometimes has serious consequences.
- Struts developer should address this issue. Even though the form is double submitted, we should ensure that there is no side effect on the application (application's data).

Q: How to prevent the dangers caused by the double submission of the form in a Struts application?

→ org.apache.struts.action.Action class has 3 methods to deal with double submission of the web form.

1. `SaveToken(request)`: This method generates a unique number called a token and stores it into Session Scope.

2. `ResetToken(request)`: This method destroys the token stored in the Session object.

3. `IsTokenValid(request)`: This method captures the incoming token from the client (as hidden form field) and compares it with already stored token in Session scope. If it matches, it returns true otherwise false.

→ `{html:form}` tag is responsible to retrieve the token for Session scope and converts into a hidden form field

Q8 Develop a struts application in which double submission issue is addressed ?

### doublesubmitapplication

index.jsp

register.jsp

Success.jsp

Warning.jsp

### WEB-INF

Web.xml

struts-config.xml

### src

RegisterAction.java

Registerforem.java

### Classes

\*.class

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http://localhost : 8081/doublesubmitapplication.

### RegisterAction.java

```
Public class RegisterAction extends DispatchAction
{
    Public ActionForward registerPage(--)
    {
        SaveToken(request); // save token before showing
        register.jsp
        return mapping.findForward("register");
    }
    Public ActionForward register(---)
    {
        String responsekey = "Success";
        If (this.isTokenValid(request))
        {
            ResetToken(request);
            // invoke Model Component for registration
        }
        Else
        {
        }
    }
}
```

```
        responsekey = "warning";  
    }  
    return mapping.findForward(responsekey);  
}
```

### Struts-Config.xml

```
<struts-config>  
    <form-beans>  
        <form-bean name="registerForm"  
            type="com.nareeshit.form.RegisterForm"/>  
    </form-beans>  
    <action-mappings>  
        <action path="/registerAction" name="registerForm"  
            type="com.nareeshit.controller.RegisterAction"  
            parameters="user">  
            <forward name="register" path="/register.jsp"/>  
            <forward name="Success" path="/Success.jsp"/>  
            <forward name="Warning" path="/Warning.jsp"/>  
        </action>  
    </action-mappings>  
</struts-config>
```

### index.jsp

```
<jsp:forward page="registerAction.do?user=registerPage"/>
```

## register.jsp

```
<%@ taglib uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-html" prefix="html"%>
<html>
  <body bgcolor="cyan">
    <center>
      <h1> Registration Screen </h1>
      <html:form action="/registerAction">
        Name <html:text property="name"/> <br><br>
        <html:submit property="user" register="true" /> <html:submit/>
      </html:form>
    </center>
  </body>
</html>
```

## Success.jsp

```
<html>
  <body bgcolor="cyan">
    <center>
      <h1> Registration Successful </h1>
    </center>
  </body>
</html>
```

## Warning.jsp

```
<html>
  <body bgcolor="cyan">
    <h1> Your form is already submitted. Don't submit again </h1>
  </body>
</html>
```

Q: Develop a Java web application (Struts application) in which download use-case is implemented?

downloadapplication  
 download.jsp  
 downloadapp.txt (User download this file)  
 WEB-INF  
 Web.xml  
 struts-config.xml  
 Src  
 FileDownloadAction.java  
 Classes  
 \* Class  
 lib  
 \* jar(b jar files)

http://localhost:8081/downloadapplication

struts-config.xml

```
<struts-config>
  <action-mappings>
    <action path="/downloadfile"
      type="com.nareeshit.action.FileDownloadAction"/>
  </action-mappings>
</struts-config>
```

download.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix="html" uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-1
<html>
  <body bgcolor="cyan">
    <h1>
      <html:link action="/downloadfile">download here</html:lin
    </h1>
  </body>
</html>
```

## Web.xml

Make download.jsp the home page.

## FileDownloadAction.java

```
1) package com.narenshit.action;
```

```
2) import javax.servlet.http.*;
```

```
3) import org.apache.struts.action.*;
```

```
4) import java.io.*;
```

```
5) Public class FileDownloadAction extends Action
```

```
6) { Public ActionForward execute(ActionMapping mapping,
```

```
7) ActionForm form, HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse  
8) response) throws Exception
```

```
9) {
```

```
10) response.setContentType("text/plain");
```

```
11) response.setHeader("Content-disposition", "attachment;");
```

```
12) filename=downloadapp.txt");
```

```
13) String Path = getServlet().getServletContext().getRealPath("") +  
14) "/"+ "downloadapp.txt";
```

```
15) FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream(Path);
```

```
16) BufferedInputStream bis = new BufferedInputStream(fis);
```

```
17) byte [ ] bytes = new byte [bis.available ()];
```

```
18) OutputStream ope = response.getOutputStream(); // browser stream
```

```
19) bis.read (bytes);
```

```
20) ope.write (bytes);
```

```
21) bis.close ();
```

```
22) ope.close ();
```

```
23) return null;
```

```
}
```

NOTE: If we use `org.apache.struts.actions.DownloadAction` as Super class for the userdefined action class, no code for file reading and file writing is provided by framework.

### FileDownloadAction.java

```
package com.nareeshit.action;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
import org.apache.struts.action.*;
import org.apache.struts.actions.*;

public class FileDownloadAction extends DownloadAction {
    public StreamInfo getStreamInfo(ActionMapping mapping, ActionForm form, HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) throws Exception {
        response.setHeader("Content-disposition", "attachment; filename=downloadapp.txt");
        return new ResourceStreamInfo("text/plain", getServlet().getServletContext(), "downloadapp.txt");
    }
}
```

Q: Explain about `IncludeAction`.

→ `org.apache.struts.actions.IncludeAction` is used to include another .jsp into another jsp in logical name based manner.

→ The following steps are involved for using `IncludeAction`

Step 1: `<action path="/footer" type="org.apache.struts.actions.IncludeAction"`

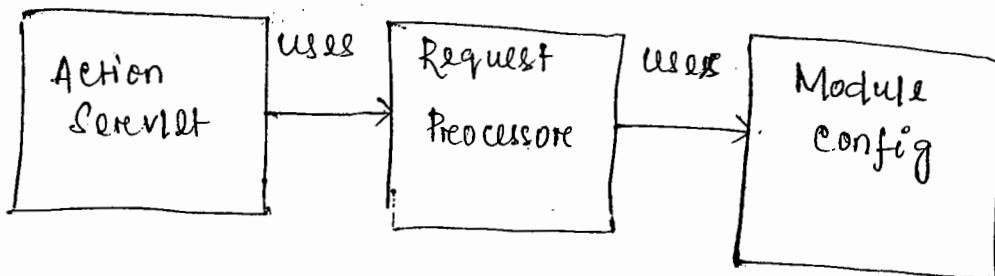
`Parameter=""/> footer.jsp" />`

~~steps~~ in creating a new jsp entry  
{ jsp:include page = "/footer.jsp" /}

Note: This built-in action is seldom used. (Seldom - almost not used)

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Q: How does Struts work in the background?



→ Whenever client request comes, ActionServlet invokes RequestProcessor to implement the use-case required framework functionality. RequestProcessor takes the configuration information required for the use-case from module.config object.

Q: What is the general structure of ActionServlet?

Public class ActionServlet extends HttpServlet

{  
    Public void init(ServletConfig config)

}  
/\*

1. Reading Configuration file

2. Converting XML into ModuleConfig object using digester API and storing the same into application scope.

3. Instantiating and initializing plug-ins if any

\*/

{

    Public void doGet(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) throws ServletException, IOException

{

process (request, response);

}

Private void process (HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse  
response) throws ServletException, IOException

{

ModuleConfig mconfig = getModuleConfig();

RequestProcessor rp = getRequestProcessorForModule (mconfig);

rp. Process (request, response);

}

}

Q: Explain about ModuleConfig.

- Object Oriented representation of Struts Configuration file is nothing but ModuleConfig Object.
- Each tag of Struts configuration file is converted into a Java object and the reference of all those Java objects are stored into ModuleConfig object.
- Framework (RequestProcessor) uses ModuleConfig Object to deal with the MVC functionality of the application.
- ModuleConfig Object is the meta information repository of the Struts application.

Q: Explain about RequestProcessor.

- RequestProcessor is the work horse of Struts for each Client request.
- RequestProcessor is a normal Java Class. It is not a Web Component Class.
- for each use-case of the Struts application, framework functionality is performed by RP.

→ Requirements over user query

- a. form bean instantiation
- b. populating the bean fields.
- c. invoking the validation logic
- d. Creating action class instance.
- e. invoking execute method etc.

→ RP has methods to do each task. These methods are processxx methods.

for e.g.

- a. processActionForm()
- b. processPopulate()
- c. processValidate()
- d. processActionCreate()
- e. processActionPerform() etc.

Q: How to have user defined RequestProcessors for a Struts application?

→ for almost all the requirements built-in RP is sufficient. Very rarely to interface in framework's functionality we need to have our own RP.

Step 1: Develop a Java Class that extends RP

Step 2: Override required method of RP whose functionality we want to modify.

Step 3: Specify the user defined RP in Configuration file using <controller> tag.

Q: Explain about a plug-in in a Struts application.

→ A Java Class that implements org.apache.struts.action.Plugin Interface. It's nothing but a plug-in in a Struts application.

→ Whatever resources required to the Struts application at the time of its deployment can be provided through plugin class.

- plugin is instantiated with ActionServlet and destroyed with it.
- there are two kinds of plug-ins
  - built-in plugins (validator and file)
  - User defined plugin
- following steps are involved in using a user-defined plugin in Struts application.

Step 1: Develop a Java class that implements plugin interface.

Step 2: Override init() & destroy() methods of plugin interface.

Step 3: If we want to supply any value through struts-config, declare a private variable for each property in plugin class and define one setter method.

Step 4: Configure the userdefined plugin class in Struts configuration file using <plug-in> tag.

- Q: Develop a Struts application in which, userdefined request processor and user defined plugin are used.

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PlugInRequestProcessorApplication

```

failure.jsp
home.jsp
welcome.jsp
WEB-INF
  Web.xml
  Struts-Config.xml
src
  Counterplugin.java
  FormalityAction.java
  MyRequestProcessor.java
classes
  *.class
libs
  *.jar (or jar files)

```

<http://localhost:8081/PlugInRequestProcessorApplication>.

## MyRequestProcessor.java

```
Package com.rakeshit.struts;
Import javax.servlet.http.*;
Import javax.servlet.*;
Import org.apache.struts.action.RequestProcessor;
Import java.io.*;

Public class MyRequestProcessor extends RequestProcessor
{
    Public boolean processPreprocess(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response)
    {
        String method = request.getMethod();
        If (method.equalsIgnoreCase("post"))
            return true;

        RequestDispatcher rd = request.getRequestDispatcher("failure.jsp");
        try
        {
            rd.forward(request, response);
        }
        catch (Exception e)
        {
            return false;
        }
    }
}
```

Note: → `processPreprocess()` is the entry point into the Struts functionality.  
This method returns boolean. By default, `RequestProcessor` implemented this method to return `true`.

- We can override this method and write any code that has to be executed before any use case functionality is executed.  
for e.g. Security logic.
- If this method returns `false`, no more processing of the request further.

## Counterplugin.java

```
package com.nareshit.struts;
import org.apache.struts.config.ModuleConfig;
import org.apache.struts.action.Plugin;
import org.apache.struts.action.ActionServlet;
public class CounterPlugin implements plugin
{
    private int initialCount;
    public void setInitialCount(int i)
    {
        System.out.println("Setter called with value "+i);
        initialCount = i;
    }
    public void init(ActionServlet servlet, ModuleConfig config)
    {
        System.out.println("init called");
        servlet.getServletContext().setAttribute("counter", initialCount);
    }
    public void destroy(){}
}
```

## Struts-config.xml

```
<struts-config>
    <action-mappings>
        <action path="/hello" type="com.nareshit.struts.FormalityAction">
            <forward name="success" path="/welcome.jsp"/>
        </action>
    </action-mappings>
    <controller>
        ProcessorClass="com.nareshit.struts.MyRequestProcessor"
    </controller>
    <message-resources>
        Parameter="ApplicationResources"
    </message-resources>
    <plug-in className="com.nareshit.struts.CounterPlugin">
        <set-property property="initialCount" value="1000"/>
    </plug-in>
</struts-config>
```

## Welcome.jsp

```

<html>
  <body bgcolor="yellow">
    <center>
      <h1> Click here for get request </h1>
      <form action="hello.do">
        <input type="submit" value="GET REQUEST"/>
      </form>
      <h1> Click here for post request </h1>
      <form action="hello.do" method="post">
        <input type="submit" value="POST REQUEST"/>
      </form>
    <center>
      </html>
  
```

## failure.jsp

```

<html>
  <body bgcolor="gray">
    <h1> Next time don't click on get button </h1>
  </body>
</html>
  
```

## Welcome.jsp

```

<%@ taglib uri="http://struts.apache.org/tags-bean" prefix="bean">
<html>
  <body bgcolor="green">
    <h1> Welcome to www-nareshit.com </h1>
    <h2> Number of times this page visited:</h2>
    <bean:write name="counter" /> </h2>
  </body>
</html>
  
```

## FormalityAction.java

public class FormalityAction extends Action

{ public ActionForward execute (AM mapping, AF af,  
HCSR request, HCSR response) throws Exception

{ return am.findForward ("success");

}

## Struts 2.X

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Q: What are the similarities between Struts 1.X and Struts 2.X

→ Both are MVC based Java web application frameworks

→ Both are action based use-case implementation frameworks.

Q: What are the differences between Struts 1.X and Struts 2.X

### Struts 1.X

### Struts 2.X

① ActionServlet is the front-controller. ① filterDispatcher which is a Servlet filter.

② RequestProcessor is the backbone of the framework. ② Interceptors Replaced RequestProcessor

③ form beans are the data container of user input. ④ no form beans. Action class instance acts as the data container for user-input.

⑤ action class is a Singleton. ⑤ not a Singleton.

⑥ action class has thread safety issue to deal with. ⑥ no thread-safety issue.

⑦ action class is not a POJO. ⑦ It can be a POJO.

⑧ action class has Servlet dependencies. ⑧ no Servlet dependencies

⑨ Struts-config.xml is the configuration file.

⑩ Struts.xml

⑪ ~~Interface~~ Class based framework

⑫ Interface based framework.

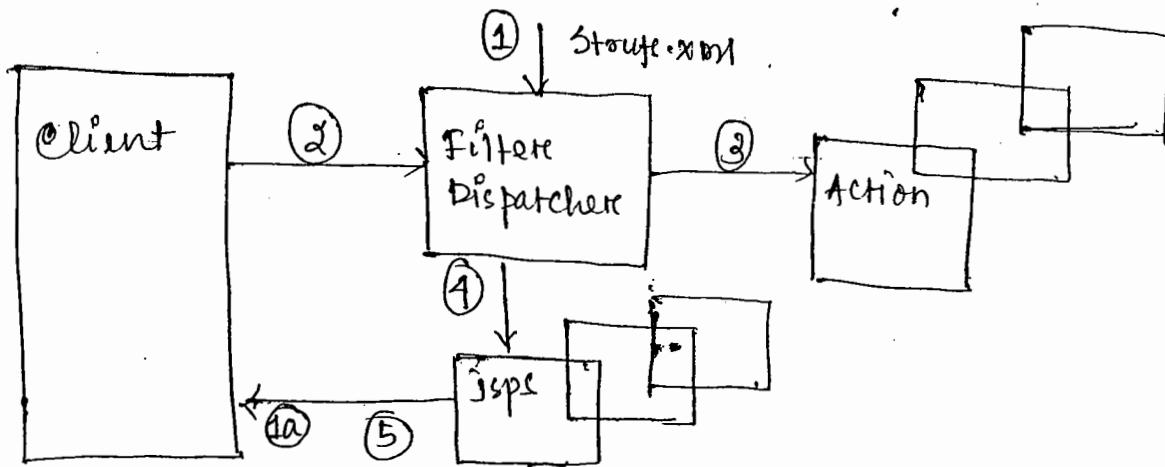
⑬ heavy weight

⑭ light weight

⑮ annotations support not at all there.

⑯ to some extent achieved.

Q: What is the architecture of Struts 2.0.x?



→ org.apache.struts2.dispatcher.FilterDispatcher is the front-controller in a Struts 2 application.

→ Application deployment time, FilterDispatcher reads Struts.xml and understands the flow control of all the use-cases of the application.

→ When client request comes, filterDispatcher receives the control and invokes the action.

→ Based on the View mapping information from the execute() method of user defined action instance, FilterDispatcher switches the control to the appropriate view component that produces the response for the Client.

Q: Develop a Struts 2 application that implements the use-case of user authentication.

loginapplication  
login.jsp  
welcome.jsp  
loginfailed.jsp

WEB-INF  
Web.xml

src

LoginAction.java  
LoginModel.java

classes

struts.xml  
\*.class

lib

commons-logging-1.0.1.jar  
freemarker-2.0.8.0.jar  
ognl-2.0.6.11.jar  
Struts2-Core-2.0.6.jar  
xwork-2.0.0.1.jar

http://localhost:8081/loginapplication.

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LoginAction.java

```
package com.nareeshit.action;
import com.nareeshit.model.LoginModel;
Public Class LoginAction
{
    Private String Username;
    Private String Password;
    // 2 setters & 2 getters
    Public string execute()
    {
        boolean flag = lm. isAuthenticated(Username, Password);
        If (flag)
            return "ok";
        return "notok";
    }
}
```

## login.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>
<HTML>
  <BODY BGCOLOR="cyan">
    <Center>
      <H1> Login Screen </H1>
      <s:form action="login" method="post">
        <s:textfield label="USERNAME" name="username"/> <br>
        <s:password label="PASSWORD" name="password"/> <br>
        <s:submit value="login"/>
      </s:form>
    </Center>
  </BODY>
</HTML>
```

Note: Welcome.jsp, loginfailed.jsp and loginModel.java form Struts 1.x "login application".

## Web.xml:

```
<web-app>
  <filter>
    <filter-name>frontController </filter-name>
    <filter-class>org.apache.struts.dispatcher.FilterDispatcher </filter-class>
  </filter>
  <filter-mapping>
    <filter-name>frontController </filter-name>
    <url-pattern> /* </url-pattern>
  </filter-mapping>
  <welcome-file-list>
    <welcome-file>login.jsp </welcome-file>
  </welcome-file-list>
</web-app>
```

## struts.xml

```

<struts>
  <package name="loginpack" extends="Struts-default">
    <action name="login" class="com.nareeshit.action.LoginAction">
      <result name="ok">welcome.jsp</result>
      <result name="notok">loginfailed.jsp</result>
    </action>
  </package>
</struts>

```

Q: Modify struts.xml "registrationapplication" into that of struts2.

```

registrationapplication
  register.jsp
  success.jsp
  registrationfailed.jsp
  WEB-INF
  -web.xml
  src
    RegisterAction.java
    RegisterModel.java
    DBUtil.java
  Classes
    - struts.xml
    * . Class
      lib
        ojdbc14.jar
    * . jar (5 jar files)

```

http://localhost:8081/registrationapplication

## RegisterAction.java

```

package com.nareeshit.action;
import com.nareeshit.model.RegisterModel;
public class RegisterAction
{
  RegisterModel rm = new RegisterModel();
}

```

Private String username;  
Private String Password;  
Private String EmailId;

3 Setters & getters

Public String execute()

```
{ boolean flag = rem. registerUser (username, password, emailId);  
if (flag)  
    return "OK";  
return "notOK";  
}
```

### Web.xml

→ Make register.jsp the home page.

### Struts.xml:

```
<struts>  
<package name="registerpack" extends="Struts-default">  
<action name="register" class="com.narenhit.action.RegistrationAction">  
<result name="OK">/success.jsp</result>  
<result name="notOK">/registrationfailed.jsp</result>  
</action>  
</package>  
</struts>
```

### register.jsp

```
<%@ taglib prefix="s" uri="/struts-tags" %>  
<html>
```

```
<body bgcolor="cyan">
```

```
<center>
```

```
<h1> Registration Screen </h1>
```

```
<s:form action="register" method="post">  
    <s:textfield label="USERNAME" name="username"/><br>  
    <s:password label="PASSWORD" name="password"/><br>  
    <s:textfield label="EMAILID" name="emailid"/><br>  
    <s:submit value="register"/>  
</s:form>  
</center>  
</body>  
</html>
```

Note: Other two jsp and two java files from Struts1.x applicat