

Maven

type: Java based Build tool

other build tools are : gradle, ant, ivy, build and etc..

Build Process: The process of keeping application ready for execution or deployment or release is called Build process...

- Every build process contains multiple repetitive operations like
 - packages creation
 - source code development
 - compilation
 - deployment directory structure creation
 - add jar files/dependencies/libraries to CLASSPATH and to other places
 - running unit testcases (unit test cases)
 - starting servers
 - packing the project content into jar / war file and etc.
 - deployment of the web application
 - deleting the temporary folders and files

jar file :: Java archive -- represents library/api/standalone java project
war :: Web application archive -- represents java web application (webapp)

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List of Build Tools

- ⇒ Ant (Another Nice Tool)
- ⇒ Maven (1)
- ⇒ Gradle (2)
- ⇒ Ms Build (only for .net projects)
- ⇒ Ivy
- ⇒ BuildR
- ⇒ Leiningen and etc..

- Most of the Java Projects prefer using Maven as the Build tool
- Some Java projects and most of the non-Java projects prefer using gradle
- Maven can be used only for Java Projects build process
- Gradle can be used for both Java and non-Java Projects build process

note: maven tool can be used only in Java Projects where as Gradle tool can be used for both Java and non Java Projects

Maven advantages

- Provides archetypes as the Project Templates

[These archetypes can be used to create different types of Projects with ready made structures]

1000+ archetypes are given by maven, but two archetypes of are very popular

→ maven-archetype-quickstart → for standalone apps

→ maven-archetype-webapp → for web applications

→ Standard directories in the above archetypes are (projects with templates)

src/main/java → To place java packages and source files (java files)

src/test/java → To place unit test code packages and source files

src/main/resources → To place helper files like properties files, java script files and etc..

target → To see the outputs / resultant content

maven dependencies → For jar files/dependencies

- Maven takes care of Library Management/Dependency Management by interacting with multiple repositories (storage place)

→ maven project can get the jar files (libraries) required for the project directly from 3 types of Repositories

- a) Local Repository (with in ur system - user_home\m2\repository)
- b) Maven Central Repository [Internet Based - <https://repo.maven.apache.org/maven2/>]
- c) Remote Repositories/ Third Party Repositories/ Private Repositories [Specific to certain organizations]

eg: IBM Repository, Jboss Repository and etc..

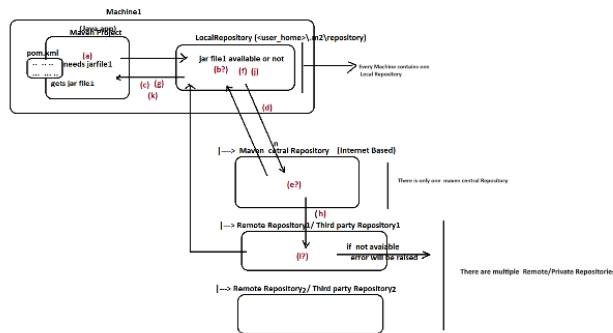
These repositories maintain libraries/ jar files, plugins, maven projects

All these folders will be added to CLASSPATH automatically

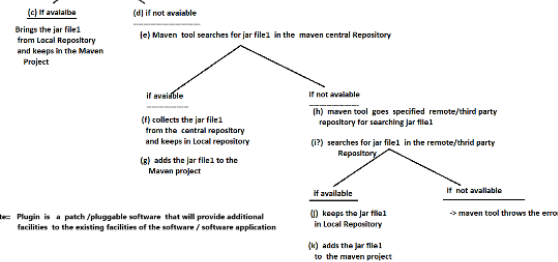
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note: we give inputs and instructions to maven build tool using pom.xml

POM : Project Object Management



- (a) maven project asking for jar file1
- (b) maven project first searches in maven Local Repository of the system



note: Plugin is a patch /pluggable software that will provide additional facilities to the existing facilities of the software / software application

- Maven tool supports transitive dependency management

→ If it specify any main jar file info in the Project, the maven tool will take care finding out all the dependent jar files of the hierarchy (dependents and their dependents, so on...) and downloads them from various maven repositories

eg: If we specify spring context support jar file information in the maven project it will give total 146 jar files (1 main jar file, 6 - dependent jar file) to the project

- All the inputs and instructions to maven Project will be given using pom.xml file

pom :: Project object model

- Maven tool provides built in decompiler to get the source code (java file) from the byte code (.class file)

- Maven tool can run unit test cases to generate the test reports (JUnit can be integrated with maven)

- Maven tool can generate Project Report having info about entire project (Information about packages, classes and other things)

- maven tool can pack the code into jar file or war file and others..

- In latest versions of eclipse IDE (2020+), the maven is built-in tool in IDE..

- Maven is self intelligent tool i.e. it gives many facilities by convention... because the maven is life cycle based declarative tool (based on naming conventions and instructions given by pom.xml file we can achieve the results)

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eg: JDT, online decompilers and etc..

Important maven terminologies

- a) Archetypes (Project Templates)
- b) Artifact (Project name/jar file name/plugin name)
- c) Repository (Storage Place)
- d) POM (Project Object Model)
- e) Dependency (jar file)
- f) Transitive Dependency (Both main and dependent jar files)
- g) Build Process (Keeping the Project ready for execution) and etc..

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Machine1

Maven Path

LocalRepository (<user_home>\.m2\repository)

pom.xml

....

(a) needs jarfile1

jar file1 available or not

(b?) (f) (j)

gets jar file1

(c) (g)

(k)

(d)

Every Machine contains one

Local Repository

|----> **Maven central Repository (Internet Based)**

(e?)

(h)

|---> **Remote Repository1/ Third party Repository1**

There is only one maven central Repository

if not available

(i?)

error will be raised

There are multiple Remote/Private Repositories

|---> **Remote Repository2/ Third party Repository2**

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(c) if available

Brings the jar file1

from Local Repository

and keeps in the Maven Project

(d) if not available

(e) **Maven tool searches for jar file1 in the maven central Repository**

if available

(f) **collects the jar file1**

from the central repository

and keeps in Local repository

(g) **adds the jar file1 to the Maven project**

if not available

(h) **maven tool goes specified remote/third party repository for searching jar file1**

(i?) **searches for jar file1 in the remote/thrid party Repository**

if available

if not available

(j) **keeps the jar file1**

-> maven tool throws the error

in Local Repository

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