**Maven: Project Management tool (**works almost same as package.json file in NodeJS project using Node package manager (NPM))

Maven will read the config file, check for dependencies in local repo. If not found, then maven will get them from maven central repo and store in local repo.

1. Dependency management: Maven will find Jar files and download them
2. No need to set build path or class path. Maven will build and run the project with minimal local configuration.
3. **Standard directory structure**

**POM file:** pom.xml

* Project object model file (configuration file)
* To add a dependency, we need GAV.

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**Archetypes: (starter Project)**

* Can create from command line with maven or from IDE’s

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