

Apache Jackrabbit Examples

This page will be used to show solutions to common problems related to Apache Jackrabbit and the JCR API. These examples shouldn't be considered Best Practices - general error checking and exception handling have been omitted to keep the example code simple.

Please feel free to add your own examples.

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Importing a File

Also see:  [FSImport.java](#) for more complete filesystem examples.

```
public Node importFile (Node folderNode, File file, String
mimeType,
                        String encoding) throws RepositoryException, IOException
{
    //create the file node - see section 6.7.22.6 of the spec
    Node fileNode = folderNode.addNode (file.getName (),
"nt:file");

    //create the mandatory child node - jcr:content
    Node resNode = fileNode.addNode ("jcr:content",
"nt:resource");
    resNode.setProperty ("jcr:mimeType", mimeType);
    resNode.setProperty ("jcr:encoding", encoding);
    resNode.setProperty ("jcr:data", new FileInputStream
(file));
    Calendar lastModified = Calendar.getInstance ();
    lastModified.setTimeInMillis (file.lastModified ());
    resNode.setProperty ("jcr:lastModified", lastModified);

    return fileNode;
}
```



Renaming a Node

```

    void rename(Node node, String newName) throws
RepositoryException
    {
        node.getSession().move(node.getPath(),
node.getParent().getPath() + "/" + newName);
        // Don't forget - not necessarily here at this place:
        // node.getSession().save();
    }

```

Register a Node Type

There are a few solutions in the works. For example, see  OSAF offline tool,  Graffito Jira Issue.

```

    public void registerNodeType(NodeTypeDef nodeTypeDef, Session
session) throws RepositoryException
    {
        //NodeTypeRegistry object
        Workspace wsp = session.getWorkspace();
        NodeTypeManager ntMgr = wsp.getNodeTypeManager();

        //non-JSR 170 - jackrabbit specific
        NodeTypeRegistry ntReg =
            ((NodeTypeManagerImpl) ntMgr).getNodeTypeRegistry();
        ntReg.registerNodeType(nodeTypeDef);
    }

```

You can use JCR API to create and register custom node type (Groovy syntax).

```

/* Retrieve node type manager from the session */
NodeTypeManager nodeTypeManager = session.workspace.nodeTypeManager


/* Create node type */
NodeTypeTemplate nodeType = nodeTypeManager.createNodeTypeTemplate()
nodeType.name = "my_custom_node_type"

/* Create a new property */
PropertyDefinitionTemplate customProperty =
nodeTypeManager.createPropertyDefinitionTemplate()
customProperty.name = "my_custom_property"
customProperty.requiredType = PropertyType.LONG
/* Add property to node type */
nodeType.propertyDefinitionTemplates << customProperty

/* Register node type */
nodeTypeManager.registerNodeType(nodeType, false)

```

Register a Node Type [CND]

Register one or more node types using CND. CND is described in  <http://jackrabbit.apache.org/node-type-notation.html>.

Using JCR Commons CndImporter :

```

public static void RegisterCustomNodeTypes(Session session, String
cndFileName)
    throws Exception {
    // Register the custom node types defined in the CND file, using
JCR Commons CndImporter
    NodeType[] nodeTypes = CndImporter.registerNodeTypes(new
FileReader(cndFileName), session);
    for (NodeType nt : nodeTypes) {
        System.out.println("Registered: " + nt.getName());
    }

    // You can also use JCR NodeTypeManager from the Workspace.
    NodeTypeManager manager =
session.getWorkspace().getNodeTypeManager();
    // ... use manager here ...
}

```

Using deprecated JackrabbitNodeTypeManager API:

```

    public void createCustomNodeTypes(Session session)
        throws RepositoryException, IOException {

        // Get the JackrabbitNodeTypeManager from the Workspace.
        // Note that it must be cast from the generic JCR
NodeTypeManager to
        // the Jackrabbit-specific implementation.
        // (see: http://jackrabbit.apache.org/node-types.html)
        JackrabbitNodeTypeManager manager =
            (JackrabbitNodeTypeManager)
session.getWorkspace().getNodeTypeManager();

        // Register the custom node types defined in the CND file
        InputStream is =
Thread.currentThread().getContextClassLoader()

.getResourceAsStream("com/example/jcr/custom.cnd");
        manager.registerNodeTypes(is,
JackrabbitNodeTypeManager.TEXT_X_JCR_CND);
    }

```

You can automatically install your node types/namespace during initialization. (This is why the method above pulls the file as classloader resource).

```

public Session setup(Credentials cred)
    throws RepositoryException, IOException {
    Session session;

    session = repository.login(cred);

    // create 'custom' namespace if necessary
    Workspace workspace = session.getWorkspace();
    NamespaceRegistry reg = workspace.getNamespaceRegistry();

    if (!Arrays.asList(reg.getPrefixes()).contains("custom")) {
        createCustomNodeTypes(session);
    }

    return session;
}

```

```
}
```

Versioning Basics

```
/**
 * most of the code below is deprecated as of jcr-2.0
 * please see the javax.jcr.version.VersionManager javadocs -
 *
 * http://www.day.com/maven/jsr170/javadocs/jcr-2.0/index.html
 */

public void versioningBasics (Node parentNode, Session session)
throws RepositoryException
{
    //create versionable node
    Node n = parentNode.addNode("childNode",
"nt:unstructured");
    n.addMixin("mix:versionable");
    n.setProperty("anyProperty", "Blah");
    session.save();
    Version firstVersion = n.checkin();

    //add new version
    Node child = parentNode.getNode("childNode");
    child.checkout();
    child.setProperty("anyProperty", "Blah2");
    session.save();
    child.checkin();

    //print version history
    VersionHistory history = child.getVersionHistory();
    for (VersionIterator it = history.getAllVersions();
it.hasNext();) {
        Version version = (Version) it.next();
        System.out.println(version.getCreated().getTime());
    }

    //restoring old version
    child.checkout();
    child.restore(firstVersion, true);
}
```

Creating a Workspace

```
((org.apache.jackrabbit.core.WorkspaceImpl)workspace).createWorkspac
e(name);
```

Deleting a Workspace

You have to manually remove the workspace.xml - there's no programmatic way yet.

Shutting Down the Repository

```
javax.jcr.Session session = ...;  
(org.apache.jackrabbit.core.RepositoryImpl)  
session.getRepository()).shutdown();
```

Jackrabbit Cache Configuration

This info has moved to the CacheManager page.

Is the Repository Running?

```
/**  
 * Check if a repository is currently running. This only works when  
 * using the CooperativeFileLock, see  
 * http://wiki.apache.org/jackrabbit/RepositoryLock  
 */  
static boolean isRepositoryRunning(String repositoryHome) {  
    File lock = new File(repositoryHome + "/lock.properties");  
    if (lock.exists()) {  
        lock.delete();  
    }  
    try {  
        Thread.sleep(2000);  
    } catch (Exception e) {  
        throw new RuntimeException(e);  
    }  
    return lock.exists();  
}
```

Spring Configuration

You can create a Repository reference in Spring in multiple ways, but here's one that uses the RepositoryImpl class:

```
<bean id="repository"  
class="org.apache.jackrabbit.core.RepositoryImpl">  
    <constructor-arg index="0" ref="config" />  
</bean>  
<bean id="config"  
class="org.apache.jackrabbit.core.config.RepositoryConfig" factory-  
method="create">  
    <constructor-arg index="0" value="./repository.xml"/>  
    <constructor-arg index="1" value="." />  
</bean>
```

This will create a repository in the current directory, using ./repository.xml as the configuration file. This isn't as complete as se-jcr will be (hopefully) but this does work with Spring 3.0 and JackRabbit 2.0.

See also

- [EncodingAndEscaping](#) !

