**Apache** is an HTTP web server which serve as HTTP.

**Apache HTTP** server is a web server, which used to serve static content like HTTP pages and serve dynamic content with the help of scripting languages like PHP, PERL, PYTHON, etc

**Apache Tomcat** is a java servlet container. It features same as web server but is customized to execute java servlet and JSP pages

**Apache Tomcat** is used to deploy your Java Servlets and JSPs. So in your Java project you can build your WAR (short for Web ARchive) file, and just drop it in the deploy directory in Tomcat.

**Apache Tomcat** includes Catalina, which is a servlet container. A servlet, at the end, is a Java class. JSP files (which are similar to PHP, and older ASP files) are generated into Java code (HttpServlet), which is then compiled to .class files by the server and executed by the Java virtual machine.

In simple words, **Apache** is a **web**-**server** meant to serve static **web**-pages. ... **Apache Tomcat**, on the other hand, is an application **server** meant to serve Java applications (Servlets, JSPs etc).