

# Advanced Java

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## JSP

- Servlet = Business logic\* + Presentation logic
- JSP = Presentation logic\* + Business logic
- **JSP is converted into the servlet while execution.**
- JSP is outdated.

## JSP syntax

- Directive `<%@ ... %>`
  - Instructs JSP engine to process the jsp.
  - `@page` -- servlet creation/translation.
  - `@include` -- include a jsp/html into another jsp.
  - `@taglib` -- to use custom/third party tags in jsp.
- Declaration `<%! ... %>`
  - To declare fields and methods in generated servlet (other than service()).
- Scriptlet `<% ... %>`
  - For Java statements to be executed for each request (in `jspService()`).
- Expression `<%= ... %>`

- For Java expressions whose output is to be embedded in produced response. Executes for each request (in `jspService()`).
- Comment `<%-- ... --%>`
  - Server side comment -- discarded while processing.

## Example Servlet --> JSP

- Generated servlet

```
import java.util.Date;
class HelloServlet ... {
    private int count = 0;
    public void init(ServletConfig conf) ... {
        super.init(conf);
        System.out.println("init() called...");
    }
    public void destroy() {
        System.out.println("destroy() called...");
    }
    // HelloServlet.service()
    public void doGet(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) ... {
        processRequest(request, response);
    }
    public void doPost(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) ... {
        processRequest(request, response);
    }
    public void processRequest(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) ... {
        response.setContentType("text/html");
        PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
        out.println("<html>");
        out.println("<head>");
        out.println("<title>Hello Servlet</title>");
        out.println("</head>");
        out.println("<body>");
        out.println("<h3>Congratulations, Sunbeam!</h3>");
        count++;
    }
}
```

```
        if(count % 2 == 0) {
            out.println("Even Count: " + count);
        } else {
            out.println("Odd Count: " + count);
        }
        Date d = new Date();
        out.println("<br/><br/>Current Time: " + d.toString());
        out.println("</body>");
        out.println("</html>");
    }
}
```

- JSP

```
<%@ page language="java" %> <%@ page contentType="text/html"
import="java.util.Date" %> <!-- This is Hello JSP (Server side comment) --%>
<!-- This is Hello JSP (Client side/HTML comment) -->
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Hello JSP</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <%! private int count = 0; %> <%! public void jspInit() {
    System.out.println("jspInit() called"); } public void jspDestroy() {
    System.out.println("jspDestroy() called."); } %>
    <h3>Congratulations, Sunbeam!</h3>
    <% count++; %> <% if(count % 2 == 0) { %> "Even Count: " <%= count %> <% }
    else { %> "Odd Count: " <%= count %> <% } %> <% Date d = new Date(); %>
    <br /><br />Current Time: <%= d.toString() %>
  </body>
</html>
```

- `<%@ ... %>` -- Directive
- `<%! ... %>` -- Declaration
- `<% ... %>` -- Scriptlet
- `<%= ... %>` -- Expression
- `<%-- ... --%>` -- Comment

## JSP Implicit objects

- These objects are available for use in `_jspService()` i.e. scriptlets and expressions. We need not to declare them explicitly.
- Because these objects are local variables or arguments of generated `_jspService()` method.
- request: `HttpServletRequest`
- response: `HttpServletResponse`
- session: `HttpSession`
- out: `JspWriter` -- similar `PrintWriter`
- application: `ServletContext`
- config: `ServletConfig`
- pageContext: `PageContext` -- to store page attributes.
- page: Object -- represent current page/servlet instance (this).
- exception: `Throwable` -- available only in error pages.

## JSP Life cycle

- JSP Engine
  - 1- Translation stage: Converts JSP into servlet java class. Check JSP syntax errors.
  - 2- Compilation stage: Compiles generated servlet java class into java byte code. Check java code errors (scriptlet, expression and declaration blocks).
- Servlet Engine
  - 3- Loading & Instantiation stage: Loads servlet class into JVM & create its object. Invokes `jspInit()`.
  - 4- Request handling stage: Handles request & produce response. Invokes `jspService()`. For each request.
  - 5- Destruction stage: De-initialize the object. Invokes `jspDestroy()`.
- For first request all stages 1 to 4 are executed.
- For subsequent requests only stage 4 is executed.

## JSP Directives

- `<%@ page ... %>`
- `<%@ include ... %>`
- `<%@ taglib ... %>`

### JSP Directive: @include

- Includes a file into the JSP page.
- Inclusion is static i.e. during translation stage.
- header.jsp

```
<h2>Sunbeam Online Bookshop</h2>
```

- footer.jsp

```
<h5>Copyright (c) 2023, Sunbeam Infotech</h5>
```

- index.jsp

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8" />
    <title>Index</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <table border="1" style="width:100%">
      <tr style="align:center">
        <td><%@include file="header.jsp"%></td>
```

```
</tr>

<tr></tr>
<tr style="height: 800px">
  <td>
    <form method="post" action="login">
      Email: <input type="text" name="email" /> <br /><br />
      Password: <input type="password" name="passwd" /> <br /><br />
      <input type="submit" value="Sign In" />
      <a href="register.html">Sign Up</a>
    </form>
  </td>
</tr>

<tr></tr>
<tr style="align:center">
  <td><%@include file="footer.jsp"%></td>
</tr>

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

### JSP Directive: @taglib

- JSP default tags (called as standard actions) starts with jsp prefix.
  - e.g. <jsp:forward page="page2.jsp"/>
- Used for third-party (e.g. JSTL) or custom tags in JSP page.

```
<%taglib prefix="c" uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/jstl/core" %> ...
<c:redirect url="https://sunbeaminfo.in" />
...
```

## JSP Directive: @page

- `<%@page language="java"%>`
  - Server side processing language is java. Only java language is supported.
- `<%@page import="java.util.Date"%>`
  - Imports given package in generated servlet .java file.
- `<%@page contentType="text/html" %>`
  - `response.setContentType("text/html");`
- `<%@page session="true"%>`
  - Internally calls `session = request.getSession();`.
  - If `session="false"`, then `session = null;`.
- `<%@page isErrorPage="false"%>`
  - This page is used only for displaying errors like 403, 404, 500 with custom error messages. `isErrorPage="true"`. Will have access to "exception" object.
- `<%@ page errorPage="error.jsp" %>`
  - Errors produced in this page are to be displayed in `error.jsp`. Here `error.jsp` is a error page (user defined).
- `<%@page info="This is hello JSP"%>`
  - Keeps information/metadata about JSP page.
- `<%@page buffer = "8"%>`
  - JSP response is stored in a buffer. Default buffer size is 8 kb.
- `<%@page autoFlush = "false"%>`
  - `false`: Whenever buffer is full or response generated, then it is flushed to the client.
  - `true`: Whenever output is written into buffer, immediately send to the client.
- `<%@page extends = "javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet"%>`
  - Defines base class generated servlet class.
- `<%@page isELIgnored = "false"%>`
  - `true`: Do not process EL (expression language) syntax `${...}` in JSP page.

## Java Beans

- Java beans are simple java classes which contain constructor, fields, getters/setters and one/more business logic methods.
- Ideal JSPs do not contain scriptlets. So Java beans are used to encapsulate all business logic required for the JSP processing.

- Java beans used in JSP pages using
  - `<jsp:useBean id="var" class="pkg.BeanClass" scope="..." />`
  - `<jsp:setProperty name="var" property="..." value="..." />`
  - `<jsp:setProperty name="var" property="..." param="..." />`
  - `<jsp:setProperty name="var" property="*" />`
  - `<jsp:getProperty name="var" property="..." />`
- Java beans objects are created & accessed using reflection. So naming conventions must be strictly followed.

### Java bean scopes

- page – PageContext attribute (default) -- lowest scope
  - Internally, bean object is stored in the current page context using `pageContext.setAttribute("beanName", beanObject)` and accessed using `pageContext.getAttribute("beanName")`.
  - Bean is available for the current page current request only.
- request – Request attribute
  - Internally, bean object is stored in the current request using `request.setAttribute("beanName", beanObject)` and accessed using `request.getAttribute("beanName")`.
  - If same request is forwarded or included (using `RequestDispatcher`), then the bean will be accessible on next page as well.
- session – HttpSession attribute
  - Internally, bean object is stored in the current user HttpSession using `session.setAttribute("beanName", beanObject)` and accessed using `session.getAttribute("beanName")`.
  - The bean is accessible in all requests to all pages by the same client.
- application – ServletContext attribute -- highest scope
  - Internally, bean object is stored in the current application ServletContext using `ctx.setAttribute("beanName", beanObject)` and accessed using `ctx.getAttribute("beanName")`.
  - The bean is accessible in all requests to all pages by all clients.

### jsp:useBean

- Check if object with given name is present in given scope (using `getAttribute()`). If available, access it.
- If not available, create new bean object.
- Add the object into given scope (using `setAttribute()`).



```
// Internals of jsp:useBean
beanObj = scope.getAttribute("beanName");
if(beanObj == null) {
    beanObj = new BeanClass();
    scope.setAttribute("beanName", beanObj);
}
```

### jsp:setProperty and jsp:getProperty

- These tags internally calls setter and getter methods on the bean object.
- jsp:setProperty, jsp:getProperty must be preceded by jsp:useBean.

### Java Beans - Syntax Revision

#### jsp:useBean standard action

- Syntax

```
<jsp:useBean id="beanName" class="pkg.BeanClass" scope="page|request|session|application"/>
```

#### jsp:setProperty standard action

- To initialize bean fields.
- Syntax

```
<jsp:setProperty name="beanName" property="fieldName" param="reqParamName"/>
```

- Syntax

```
<jsp:setProperty name="beanName" property="*" />
```

- Syntax

```
<jsp:setProperty name="beanName" property="fieldName" value="fixedValue" />
```

```
<jsp:useBean id="lb" class="pkg.LoginBean" />  
<jsp:setProperty name="lb" property="email" value="nilesh@sunbeaminfo.com" />
```

```
<jsp:useBean id="bb" class="pkg.BookBean" />  
<jsp:setProperty name="bb" property="name" value="The Alchemist" />  
<jsp:setProperty name="bb" property="subject" value="Novel" />  
<jsp:setProperty name="bb" property="price" value="482.32" />
```

## JSP Standard Actions

- JSP Standard actions are predefined JSP tags for certain functionality. They can be used to reduce scriptlets in JSP code.
- `<jsp:forward page="subjects.jsp" />`

```
<%  
    RequestDispatcher rd = request.getRequestDispatcher("subjects.jsp");  
    rd.forward(request, response);  
%>
```

- `<jsp:include page="page2.jsp" />`

```
<%
    RequestDispatcher rd = request.getRequestDispatcher("page2.jsp");
    rd.include(request, response);
%>
```

- Dynamic/runtime inclusion i.e. page1.jsp <==> page2.jsp. In request handling stage.
  - `<%@include file="page.jsp"%>` is static inclusion i.e. contents of page2.jsp are included in page1.jsp during translation stage.
- `<jsp:param name=... value=... />`
  - Can be used as optional param as child tag of forward or include.

```
<!-- page1.jsp -->
<jsp:forward page="page2.jsp">
    <jsp:param name="key" value="someValue"/>
</jsp:forward>
```

```
<!-- page2.jsp -->
<%
    String value = request.getParameter("key");
%>
```

- `<jsp:plugin type="applet" ... />`
  - Applets are java classes that gets loaded into client browser and executed there in browser's JRE (plugin). Due to severe security concerns they are deprecated.
- `<jsp:fallback .../>`
  - fallback is child tag for plugin tag to show alternate message if plugin loading is failed.

```
<jsp:plugin height="500" width="500" type="applet" code="MyApplet.class" name="my" codebase="."/>
  <jsp:fallback>Applet Not Loaded.</jsp:fallback>
</jsp:plugin>
```

- `<jsp:element name = "xmlElement">`
- `<jsp:attribute name = "xmlEleAttr">`
- `<jsp:body>...</jsp:body>`
- `<jsp:text>...</jsp:text>`
  - Above four are XML generation tags.
- `<jsp:useBean ... />`
- `<jsp:setProperty ... />`
- `<jsp:getProperty ... />`