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Name: Cargo

Description:

Uniform J2EE Container Control System

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Mission

Cargo provides a Java API to start/stop and configure Java containers

Possible use cases for Cargo:

- To start containers for integration and functional tests
- To start containers for applications that require a container to be started (Plugins for IDEs, etc)

Status

Version status:

Version	Status	Comments
0.1	<a>	Released on 11/09/04
0.2	<a>	Released on 03/10/04
0.3	*	Not released yet

As glitches may happen even after a container is released for the first time, e.g. if a new feature is added to the framework, but not supported by all containers, we encourage you to report your success/failures in the <u>Tested on</u> section.

Feature list

- Provides a Java API to:
 - Start containers
 - Stop containers
 - In-place startup (i.e. ability to start the container in any user-specified directory)
 - Wait for containers to be started, ensuring that the container is fully started after the start call returns
 - Wait for containers to be stopped, ensuring that the container is fully stopped after the start call returns
 - Supports static WAR deployments including support for expanded WARs (directories pointing to a WAR structure)

- Supports static EAR deployments
- Configurable container properties
- Provides Ant tasks that wraps the Java API.
- Supports the following containers:

Container	Java API/version	Ant API/version	Maven
			API/version
JBoss 3.x	???	???	🔀 N/A
Jetty 4.x	0.1	???	™ N/A
Orion 1.x	0.1	0.1	™ N/A
Orion 2.x	0.1	0.1	™ N/A
Resin 2.x	0.1	0.1	隊 N∕A
Resin 3.x	0 .1	0.1	™ N/A
Tomcat 3.x	0 .1	2 0.1	🗱 N/A
Tomcat 4.x	0.1	0.1	🗱 N/A
Tomcat 5.x	0 .1	0.1	🗱 N/A
WebLogic 7.x	???	???	™ N/A

In addition the Cargo project also offers a Java API to manipulate J2EE descriptors (currently web.xml and application.xml). Most notably the API allows merging two web.xml files.

Quick Start

The following piece of code demonstrates how to configure Resin 3.0.8 to start in target/resin3x and deploy a WAR located in src/testinput/simple.war. The default port is 8080. Please note that the container.start() and container.stop() methods wait until the container is fully started and fully stopped before continuing. Thus, for any action you are executing after, you are assured the container is completely operational.

WARNING: Do not point the working dir to an existing directory. Everything in this directory will be deleted. This is a dangerous bug in version 0.1 that is fixed in version 0.2

```
Container container = new Resin3xContainer();
container.setHomeDir("c:/apps/resin-3.0.8");
container.setWorkingDir("target/resin3x");
```

```
Deployable deployable =
  container.getDeployableFactory().createWAR("src/testinput/simple.war");

container.addDeployable(deployable);

container.start();

// At this point you are assured the container is started.

container.stop();

// At this point you are assured the container is stopped.
```

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Tested on

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In this section you can find the test status of the different containers for the different Cargo releases.

This page will then contain results of testing the framework in real world configurations.

Add your own experiences to the section matching your framework version, using the following format:

- Tomcat
 - ° 4.1.27 (J2EE 1.2 and J2EE 1.3) <u>Vincent Massol</u>, on 10th of September 3001
 - 4.1.28 (J2EE 1.3) failed jerome@coffeebreaks.org, on 11th of September 3001

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- Resin
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- Resin
 - ° 3.0.8 (J2EE 1.3) <u>Vincent Massol</u>, on 17 Aug 2004
- Tomcat
 - ° 3.3.2 (J2EE 1.3) <u>Vincent Massol</u>, on 5 Sep 2004
 - ° 4.1.30 (J2EE 1.3) <u>Vincent Massol</u>, on 5 Sep 2004
 - ° 5.0.25 (J2EE 1.3) <u>Vincent Massol</u>, on 5 Sep 2004
 - 5.0.28 (J2EE 1.3) <u>Vincent Massol</u>, on 5 Sep 2004
- Orion
 - 1.6.0b (J2EE 1.3) <u>Vincent Massol</u>, on 17 Aug 2004
 - ° 2.0.3 (J2EE 1.3) <u>Vincent Massol</u>, on 17 Aug 2004
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 - ° 4.1.20 (J2EE 1.3) <u>Vincent Massol</u>, on 18 Aug 2004
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SVN

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For general information see the <u>SVN page on Codehaus</u>.

Web Access

http://svn.cargo.codehaus.org

Anonymous SVN Access

svn co svn://svn.cargo.codehaus.org/cargo/scm/cargo/trunk

Developer SVN Access via SSH

svn co svn+ssh://svn.cargo.codehaus.org/home/projects/cargo/scm/cargo/trunk

SVN Access behind a firewall

Currently Codehaus does not support WebDAV access.

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Instantiating a container

There are 2 solutions to instantiate a container:

• by explicitly creating a new instance of the container itself. For example to instantiate a Resin 3.x container:

```
Container container = new Resin3xContainer();
```

• by using the ContainerFactory class. The advantage is then that you can instantiate by name and thus your code can be generic which is nice if you plan to run the same code with different containers. For example, to instantiate a Resin 3.x container:

```
ContainerFactory factory = new ContainerFactory();
Container container = factory.createContainer("resin3x");
```

Note: You can also pass the full container class name (that's useful if you wish to instantiate a custom container you have developed):

```
Container container =
factory.createContainer("org.codehaus.cargo.container.resin.Resin3xContainer");
```

Examples using the Cargo Java API

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Starting Resin 3.x with no deployables

Note: The homeDir and workingDir property are mandatory.

```
Container container = new Resin3xContainer();
container.setHomeDir("c:/apps/resin-3.0.8");
container.setWorkingDir("target/resin3x");
container.start();
```

Starting Orion 2.x with an EAR to deploy

```
Container container = new Orion2xContainer();
container.setHomeDir("c:/apps/orion-2.0.3");
container.setWorkingDir("target/orion2x");

Deployable ear = container.getDeployableFactory().createEAR("src/data/some.ear");
container.addDeployable(ear);

container.start();
```

Starting Jetty 4.x with a WAR to deploy

Note: Unlike the other containers, the Jetty integration does not require the Jetty container to be installed. You simply need to add the Jetty jar (org.mortbay.jetty.jar), the Servlet API jar (servletapi.jar), and the Tomcat Jasper jars (jasper-compiler.jar, jasper-runtime.jar) to your classpath. Thus the homeDir property has not effect.

```
Container container = new Jetty4xContainer();
container.setWorkingDir("target/jetty4x");

Deployable war = container.getDeployableFactory().createWAR("src/data/some.war");
container.addDeployable(war);

container.start();
```

Starting Tomcat 4.x specifying an output console log file

```
Container container = new Tomcat4xContainer();
container.setHomeDir("c:/apps/jakarta-tomcat-4.1.30");
container.setWorkingDir("target/tomcat4x");

container.setOutput("target/output.log");

container.start();
```

Use the container.setAppend(true|false) method to decide whether the log file is recreated or whether it is appended to, keeping the previous execution logs.

Starting Tomcat 5.x on a specific port

```
Container container = new Tomcat5xContainer();
container.setHomeDir("c:/apps/jakarta-tomcat-5.0.25");
container.setWorkingDir("target/tomcat5x");

container.setProperty(ServletPropertySet.PORT, "8888");
```

```
container.start();
```

Starting Orion 1.x with some additional classpath entries

This can be useful if you need to add some jars to the container classpath. For example if you have instrumented your source code with Clover you'll need to add the Clover jar to the classpath.

```
Container container = new Orion1xContainer();
container.setHomeDir("c:/apps/orion-1.6.0b");
container.setWorkingDir("target/orion1x");

container.setExtraClasspath(new String[] { "libs/clover.jar" });

container.start();
```

Starting Tomcat 3.x with some System properties set in the container JVM

```
Container container = new Tomcat3xContainer();
container.setHomeDir("c:/apps/jakarta-tomcat-3.3.2");
container.setWorkingDir("target/tomcat3x");

Map props = new HashMap();
props.put("mypropery", "myvalue");
container.setSystemProperties(props);

container.start();
```

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Examples using Cargo with Ant

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Before being able to use the Cargo tasks you need to register them against Ant. This is done by using the Ant <taskdef> element:

```
<taskdef resource="cargo.tasks">
    <classpath>
        <pathelement location="${cargo.jar}"/>
        </classpath>
    </taskdef>
```

Starting Resin 3.x with no deployables

Note: The homeDir and workingDir properties are mandatory.

```
<cargo-resin3x homeDir="c:/apps/resin-3.0.8" workingDir="target/resin3x"
action="start"/>
```

Starting Orion 2.x with an EAR to deploy

```
<cargo-orion2x homeDir="c:/apps/orion-2.0.3" workingDir="target/orion2x"
action="start">
    <ear earFile="src/data/some.ear"/>
    </cargo-orion2x>
```

Starting Orion 1.x with a WAR to deploy

Starting Tomcat 4.x specifying an output console log file

```
<cargo-tomcat4x homeDir="c:/apps/jakarta-tomcat-4.1.30" workingDir="target/tomcat4x"
action="start"
  output="target/output.log"/>
```

Use the append="true|false" attribute to decide whether the log file is recreated or whether it is appended to, keeping the previous execution logs.

Starting Tomcat 5.x on a specific port

```
<cargo-tomcat5x homeDir="c:/apps/jakarta-tomcat-5.0.25" workingDir="target/tomcat5x"
action="start">
    cproperty name="cargo.servlet.port" value="8888"/>
    </cargo-tomcat5x>
```

Starting Orion 1.x with some additional classpath entries

This can be useful if you need to add some jars to the container classpath. For example if you have instrumented your source code with Clover you'll need to add the Clover jar to the classpath.

Starting Tomcat 3.x with some System properties set in the container JVM

Comments

I'd like to use Cargo with http://webtest.canoo.com . Usage would be much easier with:

• if the container type would be an attribute, instead of an element name, we could switch the container by setting a property. (I guess a factory can do the job).

• it would be great if <cargo-xxx> could be a TaskContainer that calls the nested elements after having started the container, and stopping it afterwards. This would allow to get around the error-prone contructs that one need to do nowadays.

keep up the good work Mittie

Posted by mittie at Sep 23, 2004.

Credits

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The following persons deserve credit for Cargo:

- Apache and The Jakarta cactus project: Cargo started as a refactoring of the Cactus Ant integration subproject
- <u>Vincent Massol</u>: Lead developer of Cargo (and of Cactus)
- Christopher Lenz: Has developed most of the Cactus Ant integration code that has eventually found its way in Cargo
- Desire Atanga: Implementatoin of Tomcat support for the Java API
- Jerome Lacoste: General ideas and discussions about Cargo

Documentation Archives

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This web site contains the documentation for the next version of Cargo.

Available documentation PDFs:

• Cargo 0.1 documentation

Properties

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It is possible to set container configuration properties using the Cargo API.

Using Java you would write:

```
// Generic:
container.setProperty(propertyName, propertyValue);

// Example:
container.setProperty(ServletPropertySet.PORT, "8081");
```

Using Ant you would write:

```
<!-- Generic -->
<cargo-xxx [...]>
    <property name="propertyName" value="propertyValue"/>
</cargo-xxx>
<!-- Example -->
    <cargo-resin3x homeDir="c:/apps/resin-3.0.8" workingDir="target/resin3x"
    action="start"/>
         <property name="cargo.servlet.port" value="8081"/>
</cargo-resin3x>
```

Property name	Java constant	Valid values	Description	Example
	to use			
cargo.servlet.por	ServletPropertyS	entegen	Port on which	"8081"
			the Servlet/JSP	
			container will	
			listen to	
cargo.hostname	GeneralPropertyS	settr:ini@STNAME	Host name on	"myserver"
			which the	
			container will	
			listen to	
cargo.logging	GeneralPropertyS	äth t oog Goog Manag"	Logging level	"error"
		or "error"		

Resin 3.x

Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	•	Start the container
	Wait for start completion		Wait for start completion before returning
	Stop	~	Stops the container
	Wait for stop completion		Wait for stop completion before returning
	In-place startup		Ability to start the container in any user-specified directory
	Static deployment of WAR		Ability to deploy WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of expanded WARs		Ability to deploy expanded WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of EAR	N/A	Ability to deploy EARs when the container starts
	Standalone mode		The container has to be installed on the hard drive
	Embedded mode	*	Ability to start the container in embedded mode, i.e. without having to install it (requires the container jars to be in the classpath

		though)
Properties	ServletPropertySet.Pd	Port on which the Servlet/JSP container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.H TNAME	Host name on which the container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.L GING	Logging level
Ant	Generic Ant support	Support for all the Java API features
Maven	Generic Maven support	Support for all the Java API features

Resin 2.x

Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	~	Start the container
	Wait for start	•	Wait for start
	completion		completion before
			returning
	Stop	~	Stops the container
	Wait for stop	⊘	Wait for stop
	completion		completion before
			returning
	In-place startup	⊘	Ability to start the
			container in any
			user-specified
			directory
	Static deployment of	⊘	Ability to deploy
	WAR		WARs when the
			container starts
	Static deployment of	⊘	Ability to deploy
	expanded WARs		expanded WARs
			when the container
			starts
	Static deployment of	N/A	Ability to deploy
	EAR		EARs when the
			container starts
	Standalone mode	⊘	The container has to
			be installed on the
			hard drive
	Embedded mode	*	Ability to start the
			container in
			embedded mode, i.e.
			without having to
			install it (requires
			the container jars to
			be in the classpath

		though)
Properties	ServletPropertySet.Pd	Port on which the Servlet/JSP container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.H TNAME	Host name on which the container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.L GING	Logging level
Ant	Generic Ant support	Support for all the Java API features
Maven	Generic Maven support	Support for all the Java API features

Orion 2.x

Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	♥	Start the container
	Wait for start completion		Wait for start completion before returning
	Stop	⊘	Stops the container
	Wait for stop completion		Wait for stop completion before returning
	In-place startup		Ability to start the container in any user-specified directory
	Static deployment of WAR		Ability to deploy WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of expanded WARs		Ability to deploy expanded WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of EAR		Ability to deploy EARs when the container starts
	Standalone mode		The container has to be installed on the hard drive
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		though)
Properties	ServletPropertySet.P(Port on which the Servlet/JSP container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.H TNAME	Host name on which the container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.L DIG GING	Logging level
Ant	Generic Ant support	Support for all the Java API features
Maven	Generic Maven support	Support for all the Java API features

Orion 1.x

Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	♥	Start the container
	Wait for start completion		Wait for start completion before returning
	Stop	⊘	Stops the container
	Wait for stop completion		Wait for stop completion before returning
	In-place startup		Ability to start the container in any user-specified directory
	Static deployment of WAR		Ability to deploy WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of expanded WARs		Ability to deploy expanded WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of EAR		Ability to deploy EARs when the container starts
	Standalone mode		The container has to be installed on the hard drive
	Embedded mode	*	Ability to start the container in embedded mode, i.e. without having to install it (requires the container jars to be in the classpath

		though)
Properties	ServletPropertySet.P(Port on which the Servlet/JSP container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.H TNAME	Host name on which the container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.L DVGA GING	Logging level
Ant	Generic Ant support	Support for all the Java API features
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Tomcat 3.x

Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	⊘	Start the container
	Wait for start completion		Wait for start completion before returning
	Stop	~	Stops the container
	Wait for stop completion		Wait for stop completion before returning
	In-place startup		Ability to start the container in any user-specified directory
	Static deployment of WAR		Ability to deploy WARs when the container starts
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		though)
Properties	ServletPropertySet.P(Port on which the Servlet/JSP container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.H TNAME	Host name on which the container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.L GING	Logging level
Ant	Generic Ant support	Support for all the Java API features
Maven	Generic Maven support	Support for all the Java API features

Tomcat 4.x

Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	⊘	Start the container
	Wait for start completion		Wait for start completion before returning
	Stop	~	Stops the container
	Wait for stop completion		Wait for stop completion before returning
	In-place startup		Ability to start the container in any user-specified directory
	Static deployment of WAR		Ability to deploy WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of expanded WARs	*	Ability to deploy expanded WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of EAR	*	Ability to deploy EARs when the container starts
	Standalone mode		The container has to be installed on the hard drive
	Embedded mode	*	Ability to start the container in embedded mode, i.e. without having to install it (requires the container jars to be in the classpath

			though)
Properties	ServletPropertySet.P0		Port on which the Servlet/JSP container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.H	✓ TNAME	Host name on which the container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.L	GING	Logging level
Ant	Generic Ant support	•	Support for all the Java API features
Maven	Generic Maven support	*	Support for all the Java API features

Tomcat 5.x

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Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	⊘	Start the container
	Wait for start completion		Wait for start completion before returning
	Stop	~	Stops the container
	Wait for stop completion		Wait for stop completion before returning
	In-place startup		Ability to start the container in any user-specified directory
	Static deployment of WAR		Ability to deploy WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of expanded WARs	*	Ability to deploy expanded WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of EAR	N/A	Ability to deploy EARs when the container starts
	Standalone mode		The container has to be installed on the hard drive
	Embedded mode	*	Ability to start the container in embedded mode, i.e. without having to install it (requires the container jars to be in the classpath

		though)
	Context file support	Ability to bundle
		context.xml files in
		WARs
Properties	ServletPropertySet.P(Port on which the
		Servlet/JSP
		container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.H	AME Host name on which
		the container listens
		to
	GeneralPropertySet.L GIN	NG Logging level
Ant	Generic Ant support	Support for all the
		Java API features
Maven	Generic Maven	Support for all the
	support	Java API features

Jetty 4.x

Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	⊘	Start the container
	Wait for start completion		Wait for start completion before returning
	Stop	~	Stops the container
	Wait for stop completion		Wait for stop completion before returning
	In-place startup		Ability to start the container in any user-specified directory
	Static deployment of WAR		Ability to deploy WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of expanded WARs	*	Ability to deploy expanded WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of EAR	*	Ability to deploy EARs when the container starts
	Standalone mode	*	The container has to be installed on the hard drive
	Embedded mode		Ability to start the container in embedded mode, i.e. without having to install it (requires the container jars to be in the classpath

		though)
Properties	ServletPropertySet.P(Port on which the Servlet/JSP container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.H TNAME	Host name on which the container listens to
	GeneralPropertySet.L GING	Logging level
Ant	Generic Ant support	Support for all the Java API features
Maven	Generic Maven support	Support for all the Java API features

JBoss 3.x

Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	*	Start the container
	Wait for start completion	*	Wait for start completion before returning
	Stop	*	Stops the container
	Wait for stop completion	*	Wait for stop completion before returning
	In-place startup	*	Ability to start the container in any user-specified directory
	Static deployment of WAR	*	Ability to deploy WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of expanded WARs	*	Ability to deploy expanded WARs when the container starts
	Static deployment of EAR	*	Ability to deploy EARs when the container starts
	Standalone mode	*	The container has to be installed on the hard drive
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Ant	Generic Ant support	Support for all the Java API features
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Weblogic 7.x

Feature category	Feature name	Supported	Description
Java API	Start	*	Start the container
	Wait for start	×	Wait for start
	completion		completion before
			returning
	Stop	*	Stops the container
	Wait for stop	*	Wait for stop
	completion		completion before
			returning
	In-place startup	*	Ability to start the
			container in any
			user-specified
			directory
	Static deployment of	*	Ability to deploy
	WAR		WARs when the
			container starts
	Static deployment of	*	Ability to deploy
	expanded WARs		expanded WARs
			when the container
			starts
	Static deployment of	*	Ability to deploy
	EAR		EARs when the
			container starts
	Standalone mode	*	The container has to
			be installed on the
			hard drive
	Embedded mode	*	Ability to start the
			container in
			embedded mode, i.e.
			without having to
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Properties	ServletPropertySet.P(Port on which the Servlet/JSP container listens to
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Debugging

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It can happen that the container does not start or stop as expected. Or that some deployable does not deploy fine. Or whatever else! Here is a short list of things you can do to try debugging the problem.

Redirecting container output to a file

The container.setOutput(File) API allows you redirect the container console (stdout) to a file. This is the first file you should check in case of problem.

Getting some Cargo logs

Some Cargo classes support generation of logs. This is implemented through the notion of Monitor.

For example to turn on logging monitoring on a Container class, you can use:

```
Monitor fileMonitor = new FileMonitor(new File("c:/tmp/cargo.log"), true);
container.setMonitor(fileMonitor);
```

There are several Monitors that are readily available in the Cargo distribution:

- <u>FileMonitor</u>: logs messages to a file
- <u>SimpleMonitor</u>: logs messages to the console (stdout)

Turning on container logs

Cargo is able to configure containers to generate various levels logs. There are 3 levels defined: "info", "warning" and "error". You can turn container logging by using the following API:

```
container.setProperty(GeneralPropertySet.LOGGING, "error");
```

The generated log files will then be found in the Working directory you have specified

on the container (through the container.setWorkingDir() call).

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