ECS 160 – Discussion

Setting Up Your Environment

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Agenda

- **What is JDK?**
- Maven Build System
- Demo: adding dependencies and plugins

JDK

- “Java Development Kit”
  - Provides compiler, *javac*, and runtime, *java*
- JRE
  - Runtime environment -> contains the *java* launcher
  - Contains JVM and core libraries needed to run Java
- JVM
  - Virtual machine that executes compiled files
  - This is what makes Java “write once, run anywhere”
- Please use VSCode

Installing JDK

- Differs by OS
- Please refer to the following documentation:
  - https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/11/install/overview-jdk-installation.html

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Compiling a Java Program

- *javac* compiles source code to binaries the Java VM can run
- Suppose we want to compile

```
// src/HelloWorld.java
public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello, world!");
    }
}
```

- javac src/HelloWorld.java \newline java src/HelloWorld

Compiling a More Complicated Program

- Suppose
  - src/
  - ├── App.java
  - └── utils/
  - └── Helper.java

```
import utils.Helper;
public class App {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(Helper.greet());
    }
}
```

- javac src/utils/Helper.java src/App.java \newline java src/App

Compiling a Small Project

- Suppose we want to compile
  - src/
  - ├── main/
  - │ └── java/
  - │ ├── com/example/App.java
  - │ └── com/example/utils/Helper.java
- > javac src/main/java/com/example/utils/Helper.java src/main/java/com/example/App.java

Adding External Libraries

- If we wanted to use external libraries:
  - Manually download .jar files
  - Download it to some *lib/* folder
  - Separately compile *those*
- If you forget a library…
- If a library has updated…

Pain Points

- Extremely tedious
- Extremely fragile builds
- Constant recompiles
- Manual dependency identification
- Difficult onboarding
- Inconsistent builds *because of these reasons*
- Manual packing and distribution

Maven

- Build automation and project management tool for Java
  - Amongst others, such as Gradle!
- Runs on top of JDK
- Key file: *pom.xml*
  - Handles dependency management
  - Provides Project Object Model (POM)
- NOTE: XML
  - Tool to store **metadata** – data about data
  - Analogous (and older) than JSON

pom.xml

- Contains information about
  - Project – coordinates, metadata
  - Configuration details – build config, dependencies
- Contains default values;
  - We can add other values for dependencies, plugins, project version, description, developers, mailing lists [1]
- Pom.xml is a configuration file for your project
  - But also the blueprint that Maven uses to put together your project

[1] Source: https://maven.apache.org/guides/introduction/introduction-to-the-pom.html

Coordinates

- Unique identifier for a dependency
  - Managed by Maven itself
- For example:
  - Spring Boot
    - org.springframework.boot:spring-boot-starter-web:3.2.0
- When you declare a line in pom.xml,
  - Maven organizes the relevant ***values*** *inside the tags*
    - And combines them into coordinates to obtain .jar files

Maven Build Cycle

- Maven is built around the “build lifecycle”
  - Built-in: default, clean, site
- Default – Project deployment
- Clean – Project cleaning
- Site – Creation of website
- **Lifecycles** include **build phases**, which are built of **plugins**
  - When you run a phase, Maven executes all previous ones in that lifecycle automatically
  - *mvn help:describe -Dcmd=package*

Phases in the Default Lifecycle

- `validate` - validate the project is correct and all necessary information is available
- `compile` - compile the source code of the project
- `test` - test the compiled source code using a suitable unit testing framework. These tests should not require the code be packaged or deployed
- `package` - take the compiled code and package it in its distributable format, such as a JAR.
- `verify` - run any checks on results of integration tests to ensure quality criteria are met
- `install` - install the package into the local repository, for use as a dependency in other projects locally
- `deploy` - done in the build environment, copies the final package to the remote repository for sharing with other developers and projects.

Plugins

- Code modules
  - E.g. Clean, compiler, deploy, failsafe, install
- They define a goal
- Analogy:
  - Each step (phase) in a factory has a machine (plugin) performing a specific (goal)

Examples of Plugins

- maven-compiler-plugin
  - Compiles .java files into .class files; compile phase
  - *mvn compile*
    - Invokes the compiler plugin, javac
- maven-surefire-plugin
  - Runs unit tests
  - *mvn test*
    - Invokes JUnit (for unit tests)
- Plugins are declared in pom.xml

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Demo Prereqs

- Make sure you have JDK installed, and on your path:
  - java -version
  - javac -version
- Maven as well
  - mvn -v
- target/ – where everything generated is stored
- mvn archetype:generate \
- -DgroupId=com.example \
- -DartifactId=hello-maven \
- -DarchetypeArtifactId=maven-archetype-quickstart \
- -DinteractiveMode=false

Commands

- cd into the relevant directory
- mvn compile
- mvn test
- mvn package
- java -cp target/hello-maven-1.0-SNAPSHOT.jar com.example.App

Getting rid of that tag

```
<plugin>
  <groupId>org.codehaus.mojo</groupId>
  <artifactId>exec-maven-plugin</artifactId>
  <version>3.1.0</version>
  <configuration>
    <mainClass>com.example.App</mainClass>
  </configuration>
</plugin>
```