Performance Testing Course : JMeter - Sampler

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Agenda

- Introduction about several popular sampler.
- Showcases.
- Exercises.

Definition

Sampler is normally JMeter elements that allows tester to send request to server and wait for returned response.(except some specific elements)

=> Many types of samplers.

Debug Sampler

Specific JMeter sampler that allows to show variables, JMeter and system properties.

Usage:

- Print the variable to check if other elements works properly.
- Print the property so we could use it elsewhere.



Debug Sampler

Showcases:

1. Use Debug Sampler to show the value of user.dir.

2. Use Debug Sampler to show the value of variables "results".

Debug Sampler

Exercise:

1. Define a property in file system.properties. Try to find it out with Debug Sampler.

2. Use Debug Sampler to print variable in JDBC request.

HTTP Request Sampler

- Web server Protocol : Default is http. If protocol is https, then specify it here.
- Server name or IP: IP address/domain name of server.
- Port number: By default it is 8080. For other ports, we should define the value there.
- Method: Common methods are GET/POST/PUT/DELETE. After WebDAV extension are released, new methods are included like PROPATH, PROFIND, LOCK, UNLOCK, COPY, etc...
- Path: Relative path in URL.
- Content encoding: Character encoding to be used.
- Redirect Automatically: If checked then JMeter will consider redirect as separate HTTP request.
- Follow Redirects: If checked, JMeter will consider each redirection as separate requests. This may result in comparatively higher response time.

HTTP Request Sampler(continued)

- Use Keep Alive: Checked by default. It is HTTP feature to keep a persistent connection between round trips, so that it does not initiate a new one on every single request.
- Use multiple-part/data form: Built-in option in POST request required by HTML to correctly process file uploads.
- Browser-compatible headers: When using multipart/form-data, this suppresses the Content-Type and Content-Transfer-Encoding headers; only the Content-Disposition header is sent.
- Parameters: The query string will be generated from the list of parameters you provide. Each
 parameter has a name and value, the options to encode the parameter, and an option to include or
 exclude an equals sign

HTTP Request Sampler(continued)

Showcase:

- Simulate the request https://restool-sample-app.herokuapp.com/#/characters with HTTP Request sampler.
- Verify if result is correct.

- Simulate action when user creates characters with:
 - Thumbnail =
 https://www.shareicon.net/data/128x128/2016/01/05/232816_naruto_256x256.png
 - Name = Naruto
 - Real name = Naruto Uzumaki
 - Location = Beyond The Wall

HTTP Request Sampler(continued)

Exercises:

- Simulate action edit user location.
- Simulate action delete user.

Dummy Sampler

Definition:

Dummy Sampler simulates requests to the server without actually running the requests, serving as a placeholder or to mimic other samplers. The sample is generated with the values defined in it.

Pre-requisites : Plugin manager

How to download?

- Go to https://jmeter-plugins.org/install/Install/
- Download plugin-manager.jar and place it into lib/ext folder.
- Restart JMeter.
- Click on Options > Plugin Manager.
- Select these following plugins: Dummy Sampler

Dummy Sampler(continued)

Usage:

- Adjust timer for request.
- Test the pre-processor/extractor.
- etc...

Dummy Sampler(continued)

Showcase:

- Add timer to a Dummy sampler to make it wait for at least 1 and at most 2 s.
- Verify with listener.

- Create a dummy sampler to simulate API: https://my.lazada.vn/api/recentOrders/ with:
 - Request header
 - Response header

Dummy Sampler(continued)

Exercise:

- Create a dummy sampler with these following properties:
 - Connect time: random value between 100 and 500 ms
 - Latency: random value between 10 and 100 ms
 - Response time: random between 1000 ms and 2500 ms

- Create a dummy sampler to simulate API:
 https://topdev.vn/blog/huong-trien-khai-cho-cac-project-machine-learning/ with:
 - Request header
 - Response data

JDBC Sampler

Definition: Type of JMeter sampler allowing to simulate the query request sent to database server

Note: We have different databases like MySQL, Oracle, Microsoft SQL Server, etc... and each database requires some specific connection configurations -> JDBC Sampler could not be run without the configuration for establish the connection, which is JDBC Connection Configuration.

- Name: Name of the request.
- Variable Name of Pool declared in JDBC Connection Configuration: Name of the database connection specified in JDBC Connection Configuration.
- SQL Query Type: We have Select statement, Update Statement, Callable Statement, Prepared Select Statement, Prepare Update Statement, Commit, Rollback, Auto Commit (false).
- Query: Where to define the query.

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- Parameter values: Comma-separated list of parameter values(required in case of prepared or callable)
- Parameters type: Comma-separated list of parameter
 type(INTEGER,DATE,VARCHAR,DOUBLE,etc...)[required in case of prepared or callable statement)
- Variable Names: Comma-separated list of variables name that hold values returned by Select Statements.[be careful of the sequence in case of prepared or callable statement]
- Result Variable Name: If specified then JMeter will create Object variable containing a list of row maps. Each map contains the column name as the key and the column data as the value.
- Query timeout: Set a timeout in seconds for query, empty value means 0 which is infinite. **-1** means don't set any query timeout which might be needed for use case or when certain drivers don't support timeout. Defaults to 0.

Attribute:(for more details, please see

https://jmeter.apache.org/usermanual/component_reference.html#JDBC_Request)

- Handle ResultSet: Defines how ResultSet returned from callable statements be handled:
 - Store As String (default) All variables on Variable Names list are stored as strings, will not iterate through a ResultSet when present on the list.
 - Store As Object Variables of ResultSet type on Variables Names list will be stored as
 Object and can be accessed in subsequent tests/scripts and iterated, will not iterate through
 the ResultSet.
 - Count Records Variables of ResultSet types will be iterated through showing the count of records as result. Variables will be stored as Strings.

Showcase:

Prepare a JDBC request with Select Statement to select department id and name from table
 Departments of database Employees.

 Prepare a JDBC request with Prepared Select Statement to select department's name knowing its id from table Departments of database Employees.

JSR223 Sampler

Definition: Type of JMeter sampler allowing to JSR223 script code to perform a sample or required computation to create/update variable.

- Language: Choose your scripting language.
- Script file: Name of a file to be used as a JSR223 script, if a relative file path is used, then it will be relative to directory referenced by "user.dir" System property
- Parameters: List of parameters to be passed to the script file or the script.
- Cache compiled script if available: If checked and language supports Compilable interface(for now we only have Groovy in the list), JMeter will compile the script and cache it.
- Scripts(variables: xxx): List supported variables by JMeter.

JSR223 Sampler - Supported variables

<u>ctx:</u> Holds context for a thread. Visit https://jmeter.apache.org/api/org/apache/jmeter/threads/JMeterContext.html
for supported methods.

Showcase:

Print the value of previous response message.

Exercise:

Print the value of variable "results" created by user

vars: Jmeter variables. Visit https://jmeter.apache.org/api/org/apache/jmeter/threads/JMeterVariables.html for supported methods.

Showcase:

Get the value of variable "results".

Exercise:

Put value to a variable and print it out.

<u>props:</u> Jmeter properties. Visit
 https://jmeter.apache.org/api/org/apache/jmeter/testelement/property/JMeterProperty.html for supported methods.

Showcase:

Get the value of property "url".

Exercise:

Put value to a property and print it out.

• <u>SampleResult:</u> Various information returned from taking a sample of an entry. Visit https://jmeter.apache.org/api/org/apache/jmeter/samplers/SampleResult.html for supported methods.

Showcase:

Set the response code of request to be 404.

Exercise:

Set the response code to be 500.

<u>log:</u> Print to log of JMeter. Syntax : log.info()

Showcase:

Print the value of property "url".

Exercise:

Print the value of variable "username" and "password".

We still have some others variables but they are situational components. You can search more information about them on JMeter home page.