

# Gradle

## Gradle Project Overview

- Project can be small or big
- a project consist of
  - a project directory
  - a single file settings.gradle containing the project name
- Interact with project using gradle command

### settings.gradle

```
rootProject.name = '30-second-project'
```

> gradle tasks

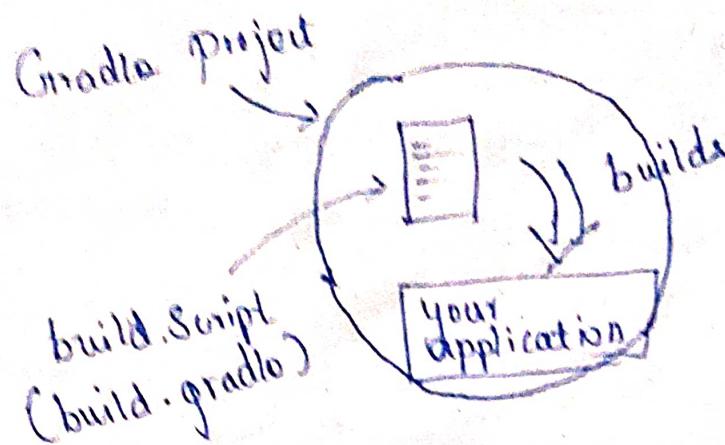
Task runnable from root project

'30-second-project'

## Gradle Project naming

- can name project anything you like  
(not tied to project directory name)
- don't have to specify a name in settings.gradle
- Its best practice because even if someone clones your project to a different dir named directory, the project name is fixed

# The Gradle build Script



## Build script languages

- 1) Groovy
- 2) Kotlin

Groovy

### build.gradle

```
println 'This is the 30 second project'  
def a=2  
def b=3  
println a+b
```

> gradle

configure project:

This is the 30 second project

5

Need to write lots of code in build scripts?

No, because normally we're using predefined tasks

- plugins

- other elements

which you configure together in your build script.

## Gradle task overview

- Unit of work to get done in your build
  - copying files
  - compiling code
  - running test
  - much more
- every task can be executed from command line
- Gradle has pre-packaged tasks you can add to build script
- can create custom tasks for anything else

## How to use a task in a build script?

Here's an example, where in the build.gradle

1. define a task to copy a file
2. use Gradle's pre-packaged Copy task
3. pass in these 4 pieces of information
  - a. task name
  - b. task type (Copy)
  - c. source file location
  - d. destination file location

## build.gradle

```
tasks.register('copyMessage', Copy) {  
    from 'important-message.txt'  
    into "$buildDir"  
}
```

## The Gradle Plugin

- Plugin automatically registers tasks in project
- you can execute any tasks exposed by a plugin
- tasks exposed by a plugin may be pre-packaged or custom
- plugin allows us to add rich functionality to a project

## How to apply a plugin?

Here's an example, where in the build.gradle

- use the simply apply plugin syntax
- apply the base plugin
- list new tasks added to the project
- execute a task added by the plugin

## build.gradle

```
plugins {  
    id 'base'  
}
```

## > gradle tasks

### Build tasks

assemble - Assembles the output of this project

build - Assembles and tests this project

clean - Deletes the build directory

## Small Project [Theme Park]

### L Description

|- rollercoaster.txt

At @THEME-PARK-NAME@ thrill seekers ---

|- log-flume.txt

At @THEME-PARK-NAME@ take a ride on

|- tea-cups.txt

At @THEME-PARK-NAME@ if you want some

## build.gradle

```
import org.apache.tools.ant.filters.ReplaceTokens
```

```
tasks.register('generateDescription', copy)
```

```
{ from 'descriptions'
```

```
    into "$buildDir/desription"
```

```
, filter(ReplaceTokens, tokens: [THEME-PARK-NAME: "SUE"])
```

## Zip Task

### build.gradle

```
tasks.register('zipDescriptions', Zip)  
{  
    from 'descriptions'  
    into "$buildDir"  
    archiveFileName = 'descriptions.zip'  
}
```

## Gradle init

```
> mkdir gradle-init-test  
> cd gradle-init-test  
> gradle init
```

Select type of project to generate:

1. basic
2. application
3. library
4. Gradle plugin

: Enter selection (default: basic) [1..4] 1

Select build script DSL:

1. Groovy
2. Kotlin

: Enter selection (default: Groovy) [1..2] 1

DSL = Domain Specific Language

Project name (default: gradle-init-test): Enter

> gradle tasks

Task runnable from root project: gradle-init-task

> ls

build.gradle      gradle      gradlew  
gradlew.bat      settings.gradle

## Gradle Wrapper Introduction

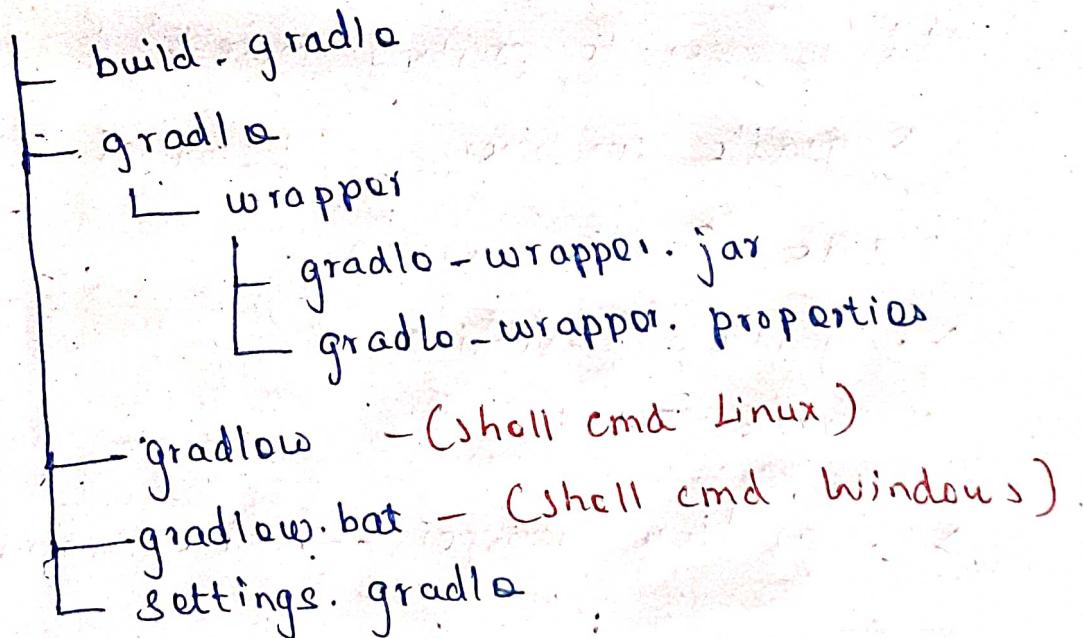
Script used to execute tasks, which means:

1. no Gradle installation required

2. forces Gradle version

3. can easily update version

> tree



> cat gradle/wrapper/gradle-wrapper.properties

distributionBase = GRADLE\_USER\_HOME

distributionPath = wrapper/dists

distributionUrl = https://services.gradle.org/distributions/gradle-7.1.1-bin.zip

zipStoreBase = GRADLE\_USER\_HOME

zipStorePath = wrapper/dists

# Command line Interaction

You'll learn how to:

1. Use built-in Gradle tasks
2. run multiple tasks
3. specify a default task
4. use abbreviated task names
5. use command line options

1. Use built-in Gradle tasks

> ./gradlew tasks

Build Setup Task ← group

init

wrapper

Help tasks ← group

build Environment

> ./gradlew tasks --all

Other tasks

generateDescriptions

zipDescriptions

These are not belongs  
to any group

build.gradle

```
tasks.register('generateDescription', Copy){  
    group 'Theme Park'  
    description 'Generated descriptions'  
};
```

> ./gradlew tasks

:

Theme park task

-----  
generateDescriptions - Generate descriptions

2. run multiple tasks

> ./gradlew projects help  
-----  
1

3. specify a default task

> ./gradlew help is default task

Task: help

build.gradle

plugins {  
 id 'base'

y

defaultTasks 'generateDescriptions'

tasks.register('generateDescriptions', Copy) {

:

3:

> ./gradlew

Task: generateDescriptions

Abbreviated task name  
~~~~~ m m

- Only provide enough of task name to be unique  
ex. -./gradlew h for ./gradlew help

→ for camolcase, use first letters from each word

e.g. ./gradlew gd for ~/gradlew generateDescriptor  
→ gradle errors on task name clash

## Build Lifecycle

### 3 Phases

#### 1) Initialization Phase:

- Gradle figures out projects to build
- executes settings.gradle

#### 2) Configuration Phase:

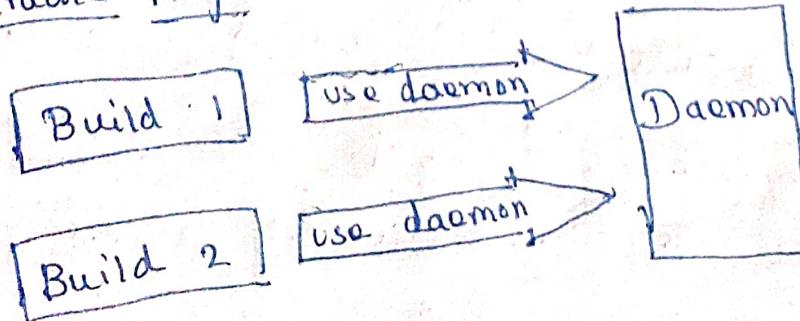
- Gradle executes all build.gradle files
- build in-memory representation of your project

#### 3) Execution

- Gradle figures out what tasks to execute
- may decide not to execute task again
- tasks are actually executed

## Gradle daemon

### Gradle Project



## benefits

- faster startup
- in-memory caches
- JVM runtime optimisations

> ./gradlew --status

| PID  | STATUS  | INFO                    |
|------|---------|-------------------------|
| 8186 | IDLE    | 7.1.1.                  |
| 7858 | STOPPED | (Stop command received) |

> ./gradlew --stop

Stopping Daemon(s)

1 Daemon stopped

> ./gradlew --status

| PID  | STATUS  | INFO |
|------|---------|------|
| 8186 | STOPPED |      |
| 7858 | STOPPED |      |

> ./gradlew

starting ...

-- no-daemon Do not use the Gradle

-daemon to run the build - Useful  
occasionally if you have configured Gradle  
to always run with the daemon by

default

> ./gradlew --no-daemon (Slow performance)

Groovy

## Configuring Project

build.gradle

description 'just a demo'

group 'com.tomgregory'

version '1.0-SNAPSHOT'

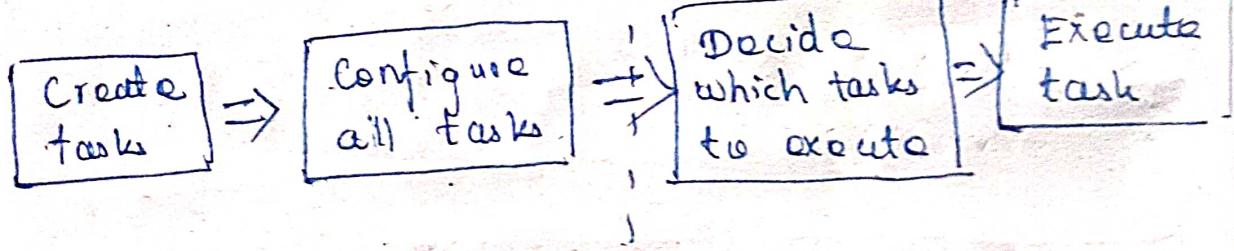
## Locating Tasks

You'll learn

- importance of configuration avoidance
- 4 ways to locate tasks
- all about TaskProvider
- how to configure task once located

## Task configuration option 1

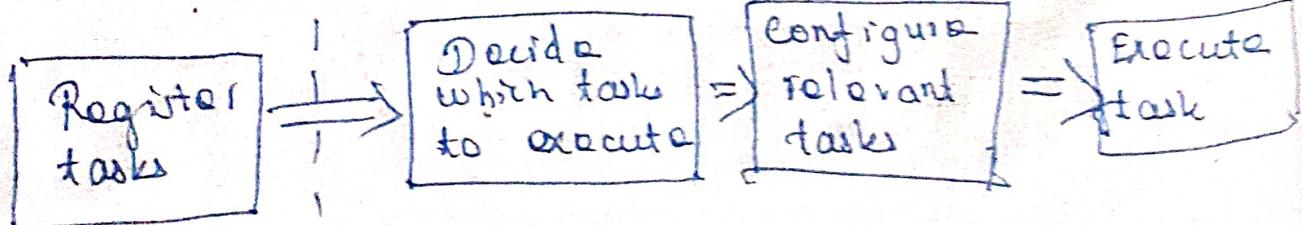
Configuration phase      Execution phase



## Task configuration option 2 [best performance]

Configuration phase

Execution phase



## Registering tasks

⇒ `tasks.register`

Ensures tasks are only created if needed

## Locating tasks

Approach 1 (task not created - recommended)

⇒ TaskProvider <T> named (string name).

### build.gradle

```

plugin {
    id 'base'
}

tasks.register('generateDescriptions', Copy) {
    from 'descriptions'
    into "$buildDir/descriptions"
}

tasks.named('generateDescriptions') {
    into "$buildDir/descriptions-renamed"
}
  
```

~~This will not create new task~~

Approach 2 (task created immediately)  
(best avoided)

⇒ T `getByName` (String name)

### build.gradle

```

tasks.getByName('generateDescriptions') {
    into "$buildDir/descriptions-renamed"
}
  
```

### Approach 3 (Shorthand syntax)

⇒ tasks.clean

Only works pre built tasks and plugins

build.gradle

tasks.clean {

doLast {

println "Squaky clean"

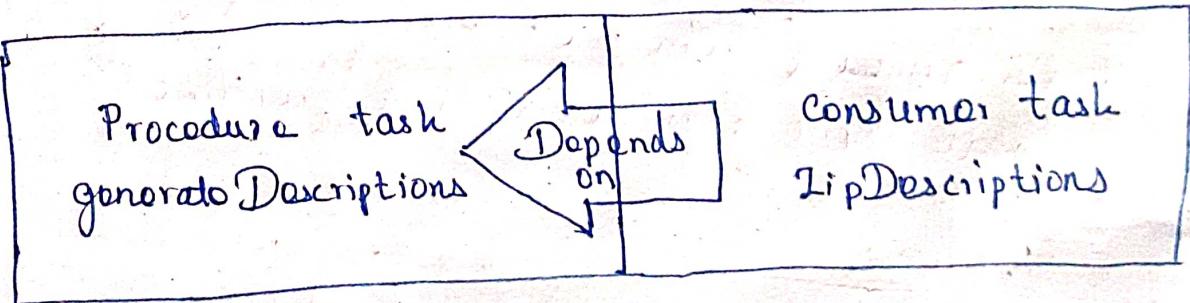
}

}

### Approach 4 (Groovy DSL shorthand syntax)

⇒ clean (here avoided)

Task dependency diagram



build.gradle

tasks.register('generateDescriptions', Copy) {

from 'descriptions'

into "\$buildDir/descriptions"

}

tasks.register('zipDescription', Zip) {

from "\$buildDir/descriptions/"

```

} destinationDirectory = buildDir
    archivefileName = 'descriptions.zip'
① => dependsOn tasks.named('generateDescriptions')
② => dependsOn generateDescriptions

```

> ./gradlew zipDescriptions

Task: generateDescriptions

Task: zipDescriptions

build.gradle

```

TaskProvider<Copy> generateDescriptionsTask
= tasks.register('generateDescription', Copy) {

```

}

```

    tasks.register('zipDescriptions', Zip) {

```

dependsOn generateDescriptionsTask

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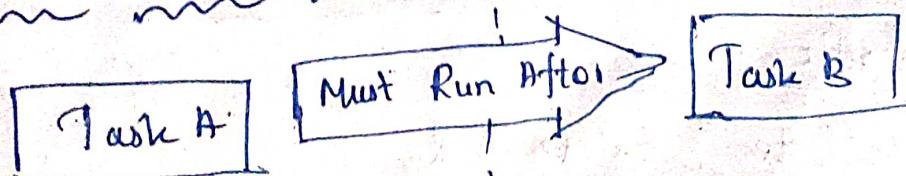
We can also set two or more dependencies

```

dependsOn generateTaskA, generateTaskB

```

Force task order,



## build.gradle

```

task.register('generateDescriptionsA') {
    println 'A'
    mustRunAfter generateDescriptionsB
}

task.register('generateDescriptionB') {
    println 'B'
}

```

> ./gradlew TaskA TaskB

Task : PrintB (generateDescriptionB)

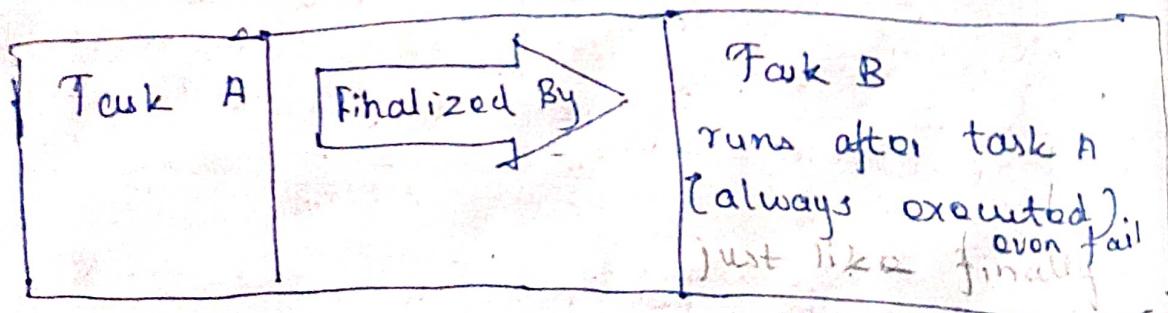
Task : PrintA (generateDescriptionsA)

> ~~./gradle~~ ./gradlew TaskA

Task : PrintA (generateDescriptionsA)

must RunAfter Task A only get executed  
if we execute or part of the dependency

Finalized By task



## build.gradle

```

task.register('PrintA') {
    doLast {
        println 'A is printed'
    }
}

```

```

        finalizedBy 'confirmFinished' }

    }

task.register('TriggerA') {
    dependsOn PointA
}

task.register('confirmFinished')

doLast {
    pointIn 'Finished'
}

```

> ./gradlew TriggerA

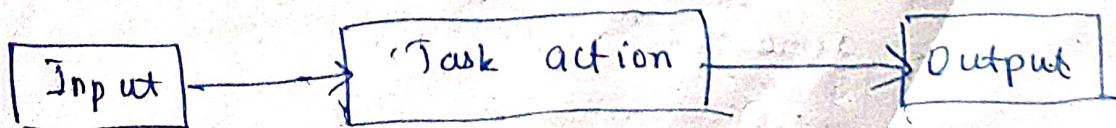
Task: Print A  
A is printed

Task: confirmFinished  
Finished

Remember that

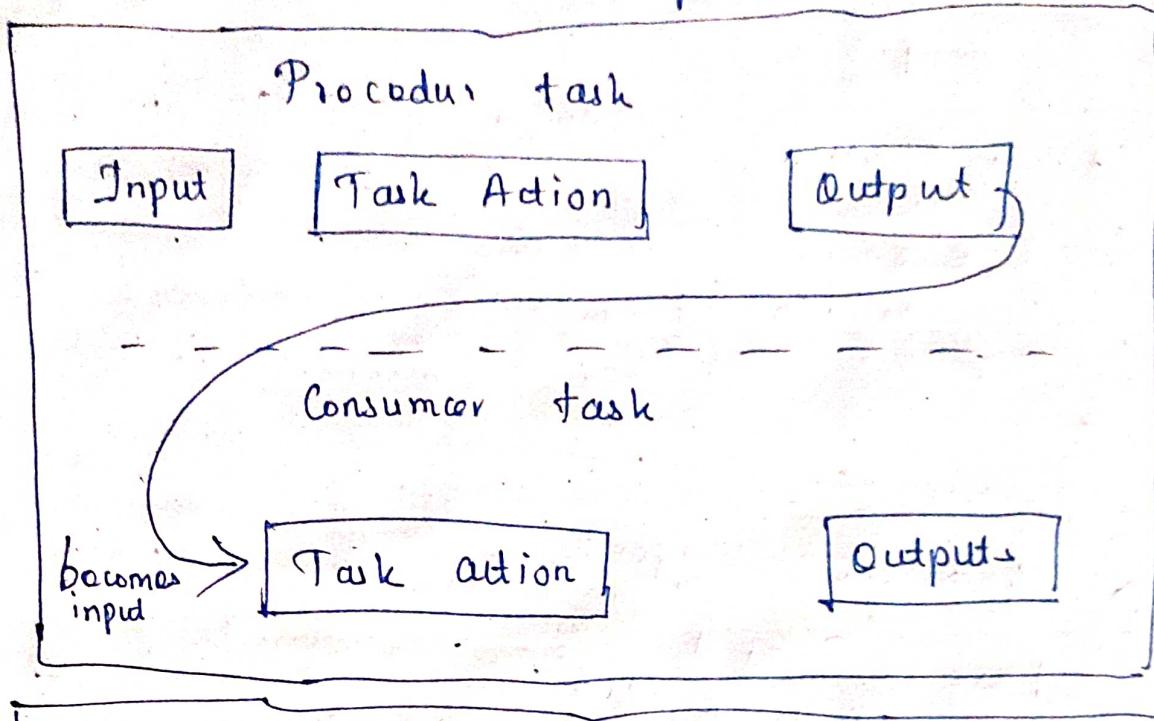
- if task A dependsOn B, B always runs before A
- use mustRunAfter to force order between tasks (whenever both are executed)
- if task A is finalizedBy task B, B always runs after A

Task inputs and Outputs



Benefits 1 : Incremental build

Benefits 2 : Link task input & Output



### build.gradle

```
tasks.register('generateDescriptions', Copy) {
    from 'descriptions'
    into "$buildDir/descriptions"
}

tasks.register('zipDescriptions', Zip) {
    from generateDescriptions
    destinationDirectory = buildDir
    archiveFileName = 'descriptions.zip'
}
```

> ./gradlew zipDescriptions

Task: generateDescriptions

Task: zipDescriptions

gradle automatically adds the dependency  
So dependency is not required

## Advantages

1. reduce duplication
2. Improve maintainability
3. keeps build scripts more concise

## Applying Plugins

### Core Plugins

```
plugins {  
    id 'base'  
}
```

### 3rd Party Plugins

```
plugins {  
    id 'org.basfui.gradle.taskinfo'  
        version '1.3.0'  
}
```

URL : [plugins.gradle.org](https://plugins.gradle.org)

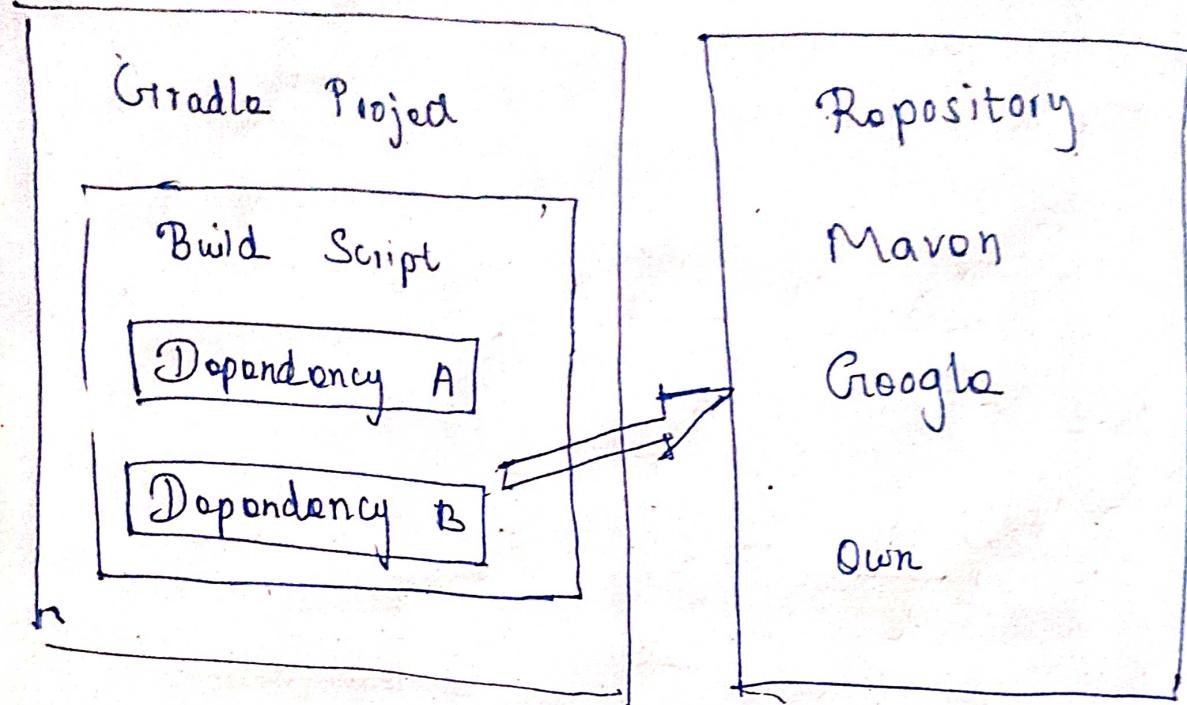
## Configuration

### Configuring Plugins

Configuration depends on the plugin  
e.g for the base plugin

```
base {  
    archiveName = "gradle"  
}
```

# Repositories & Dependencies



## Gradle repository format

- 1) Maven
- 2) Ivy
- 3) Flat directory (Local)

## Build in Gradle repositories (No need to configure the URL)

- 1) Maven Central ([mavenrepository.com](http://mavenrepository.com))
- 2) Google Maven

repositories {

    mavenCentral() first priority

    google() 2nd priority

    maven { 3rd priority

        url 'https://exampleOwnRepo.com'

    }

}

## multiple stages to build application

- 1) Compiling
- 2) Testing
- 3) Runtime

dependencies required for multiple stages might be different

### build.gradle

```
plugins {  
    id 'java'  
}
```

```
repositories {  
    mavenCentral()  
}
```

#### dependencies {

1st way implementation

group: 'commons-beanutils',  
name: 'commons-beanutils',  
version: '1.9.4'

2nd way implementation 'commons-beanutils: commons-  
beanutils: 1.9.4'  
}

### Remember

- declare repositories from which to fetch dependencies
- repository order is important
- dependencies grouped in configuration e.g implementation
- dependencies declared with group, name and version

## Java Plugin

- It's a core plugin

```
plugins {  
    id 'java'  
}
```

- adds additional tasks
- configures projects

## Java Plugins: Compile classes

- compileJava task

```
./gradlew compileJava
```

- uses same Java version used for Gradle by checking environment variable
- generates class files in build directory

✓ src

~ main

✓ jara

✓ com.tomgregory

MyFirstClass

✓ build

✓ release

✓ java

✓ main

✓ com

✓ tomgregory

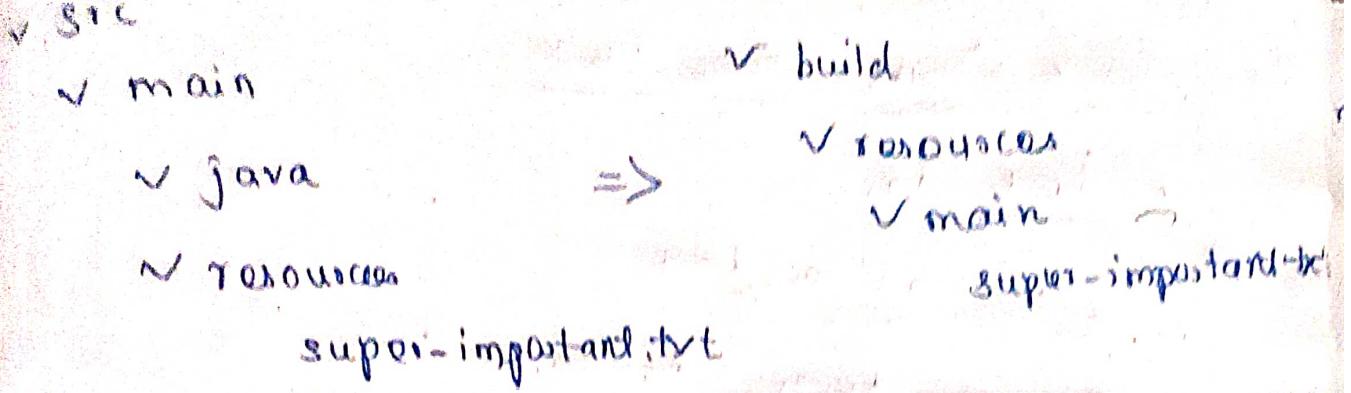
MyFirstClass

## Java Plugin: manage resources

- processResources task

```
./gradlew processResources
```

- copies contents of resources directory into build directory



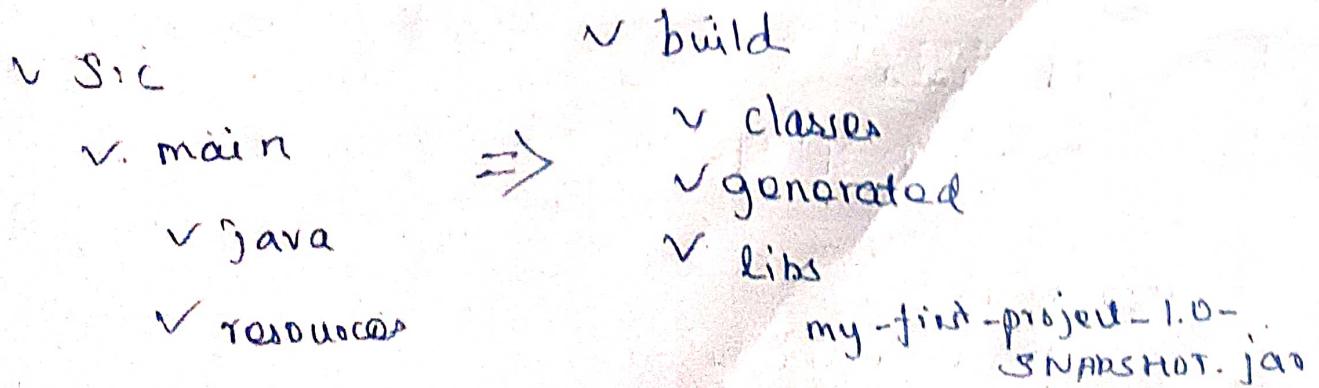
### Java plugin: define dependencies

- dir defined in dependencies in build.gradle
- ```

dependencies {
  group           name
  implementation 'org.apache.commons:commons-lang3:
  :3.12.0'      version
}
  
```
- dependency configuration (e.g. implementation)
  - dependency configuration used to generate classpath

### Java Plugin: package

- Java plugin: add jar task
- gradlew jar
- add compiled classes and resources to jar archive
- jar file named <project-name>-<version>.jar



## Java plugin: run tests

- test task
  - ./gradlew test
- compiles tests, processes test resources
- run tests
- creates test report

## Java plugin: project layout

### Destination

- src/main/java ➡ build/classes/java/main
- src/main/resources ➡ build/resources/main
- src/test/java ➡ build/classes/java/test
- src/test/resources ➡ build/resources/test

everything is configurable

But try to use the default

## Spring Boot API Application

```
plugins {  
    id "java"  
    id 'org.springframework.boot' version '2.5.3'  
}  
  
repositories {  
    mavenCentral()  
}
```

dependencies {

implementation 'org.springframework.boot:spring-boot-starter-web:2.5.3'

}

java {

toolchain {

languageVersion = JavaLanguageVersion.of(16)

}

> ./gradlew tasks

tasks

bootRun

whatever tasks start with 'boot'  
that is part of spring boot task

> ./gradlew bootRun - Run the application  
and automatically deploy it  
to tomcat server

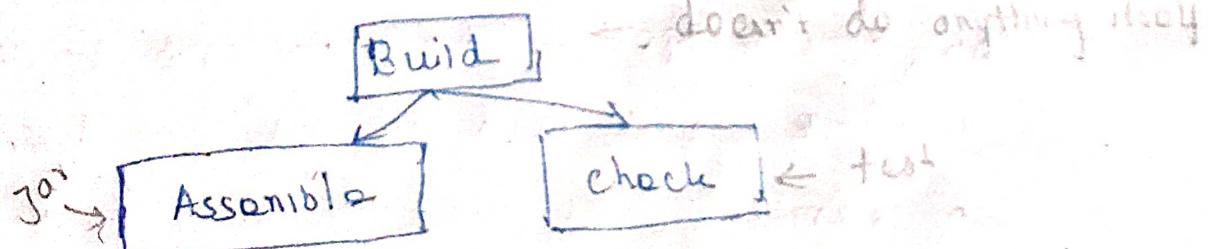
> ./gradlew assemble - generate jar file

=> build/lib

> [java -jar build/libs/\*.jar]

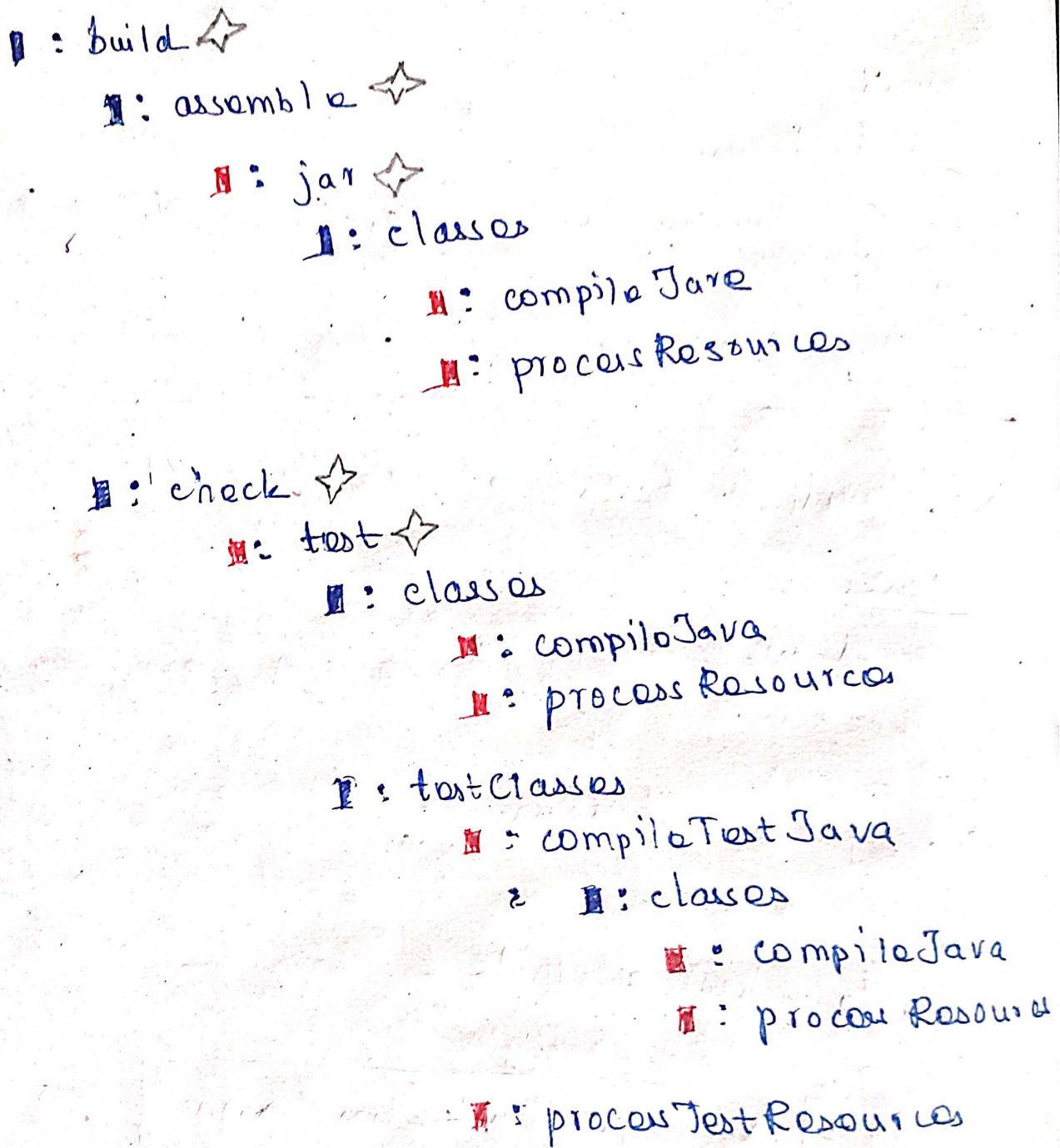
Tasks in Java Projects

- tasks can depend on other tasks



- build aggregates assemble and check tasks

## Java Plugin task graph



- can choose specific task to save time
  - check (just need to test project)
  - assemble (just need to build project)

## Gradle

Run Jar file command after starting

> java -jar gradlejava1.jar

long time Java build configuration

build.gradle

plugins { id 'java'

}

project.group = 'com.denofprogramming'

project.version = '0.0.1-SNAPSHOT'

repositories { mavenCentral() }

dependencies { implementation 'org.apache.commons:commons-math3:3.6.1'

dependencies {

implementation 'org.apache.commons:commons-math3:3.6.1'

testImplementation 'junit:junit:4.12'

jar {

```
baseName = "$project.name - all"  
println ">>> baseName: $baseName"
```

manifest {

attributes

- 'Implementation-Title': 'Gradle jar',
- 'Created-By': 'donof programming'
- 'Implementation-Version': project.version,
- 'Main-Class': 'com.donofprogramming.random.App'

}

VS Code Plugin  
Maven : Extension Pack for Java  
Gradle : Gradle for Java

Note:  
Both two extensions are required for  
Gradle.

GradleExtension.groovy

gradleExtension {

name 'Gradle Extension'