

Adding CSS to Spring MVC App



First Version - Plain

CRM - Customer Relationship Manager

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Apply CSS and make it Pretty

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Add Customer

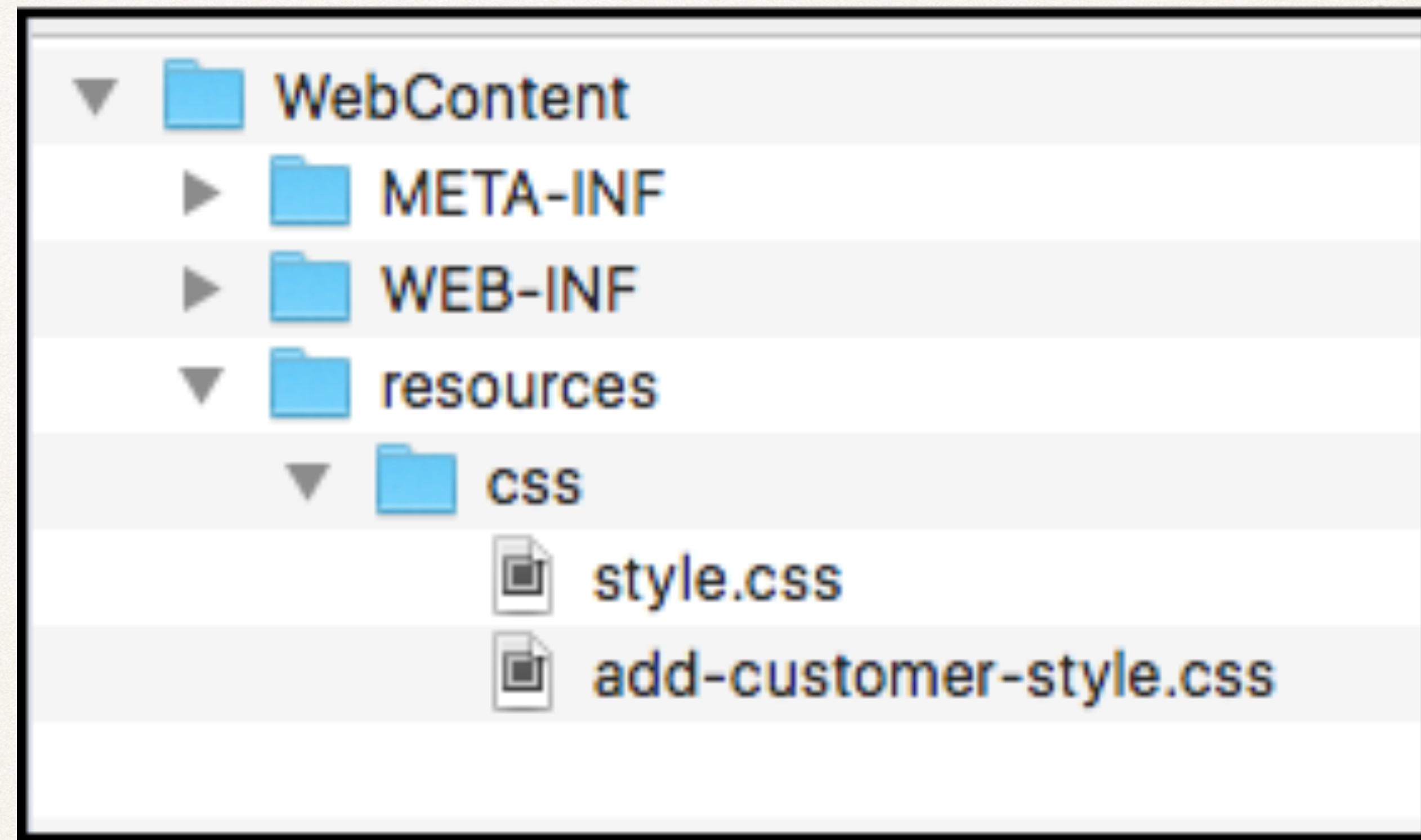
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Development Process

Step-By-Step

1. Place CSS in a 'resources' directory
2. Configure Spring to serve up 'resources' directory
3. Reference CSS in your JSP

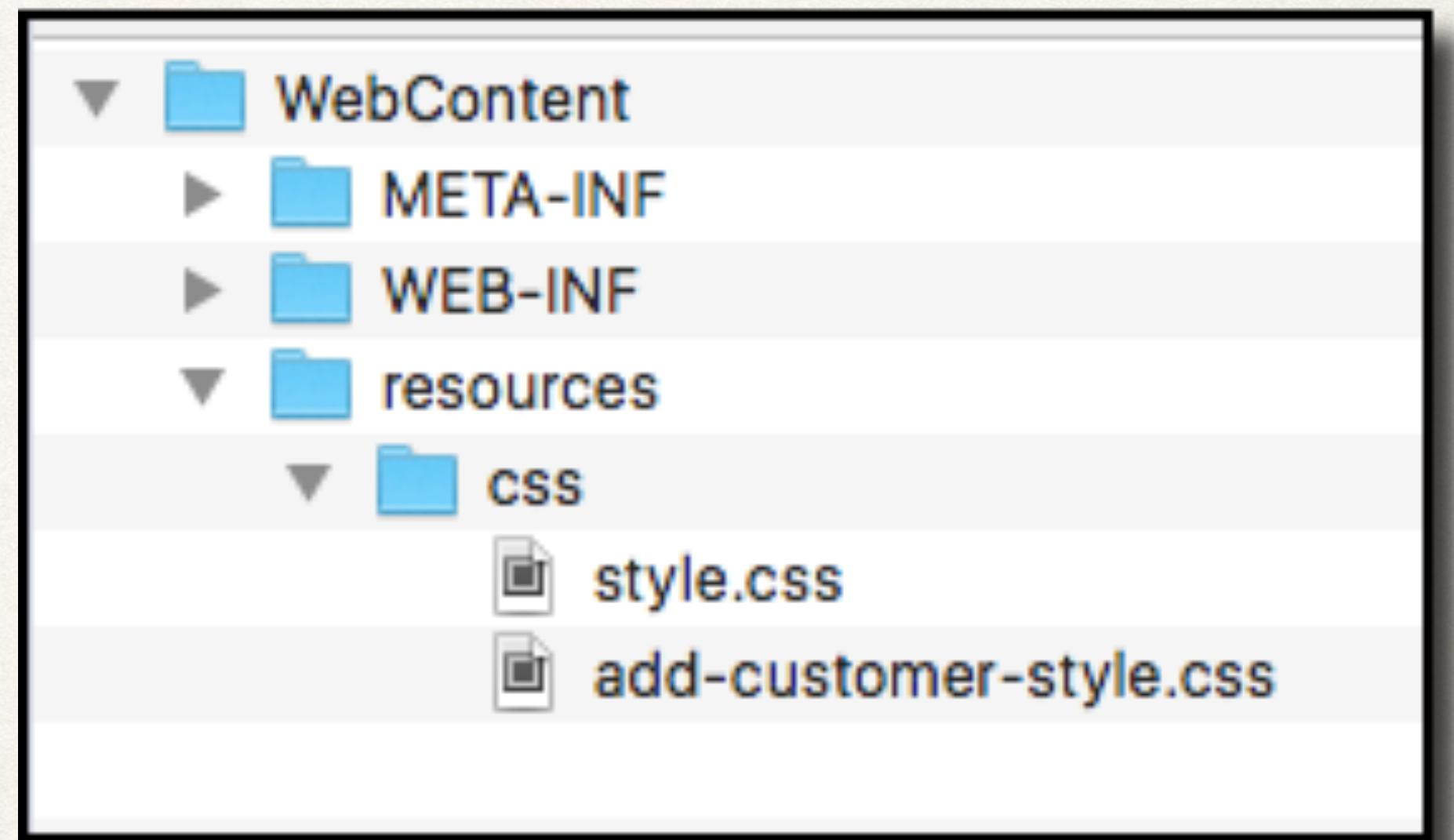
Step 1: Place CSS in ‘resources’ directory



Step 2: Configure Spring to serve up ‘resources’ directory

File: spring-mvc-crud-demo-servlet.xml

```
<mvc:resources location="/resources" mapping="/resources/**" />
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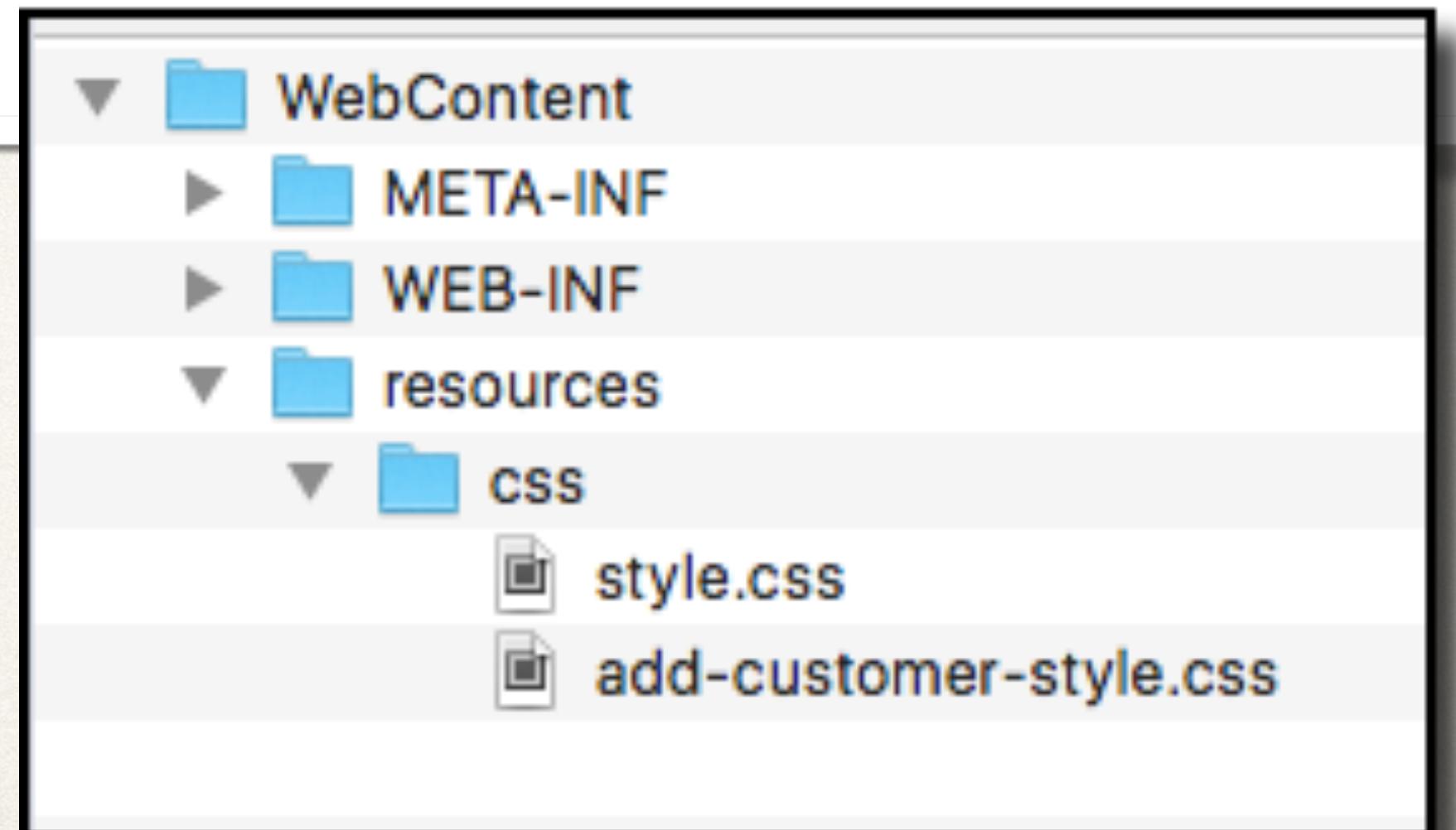
Step 3: Reference CSS in your JSP

File: list-customers.jsp

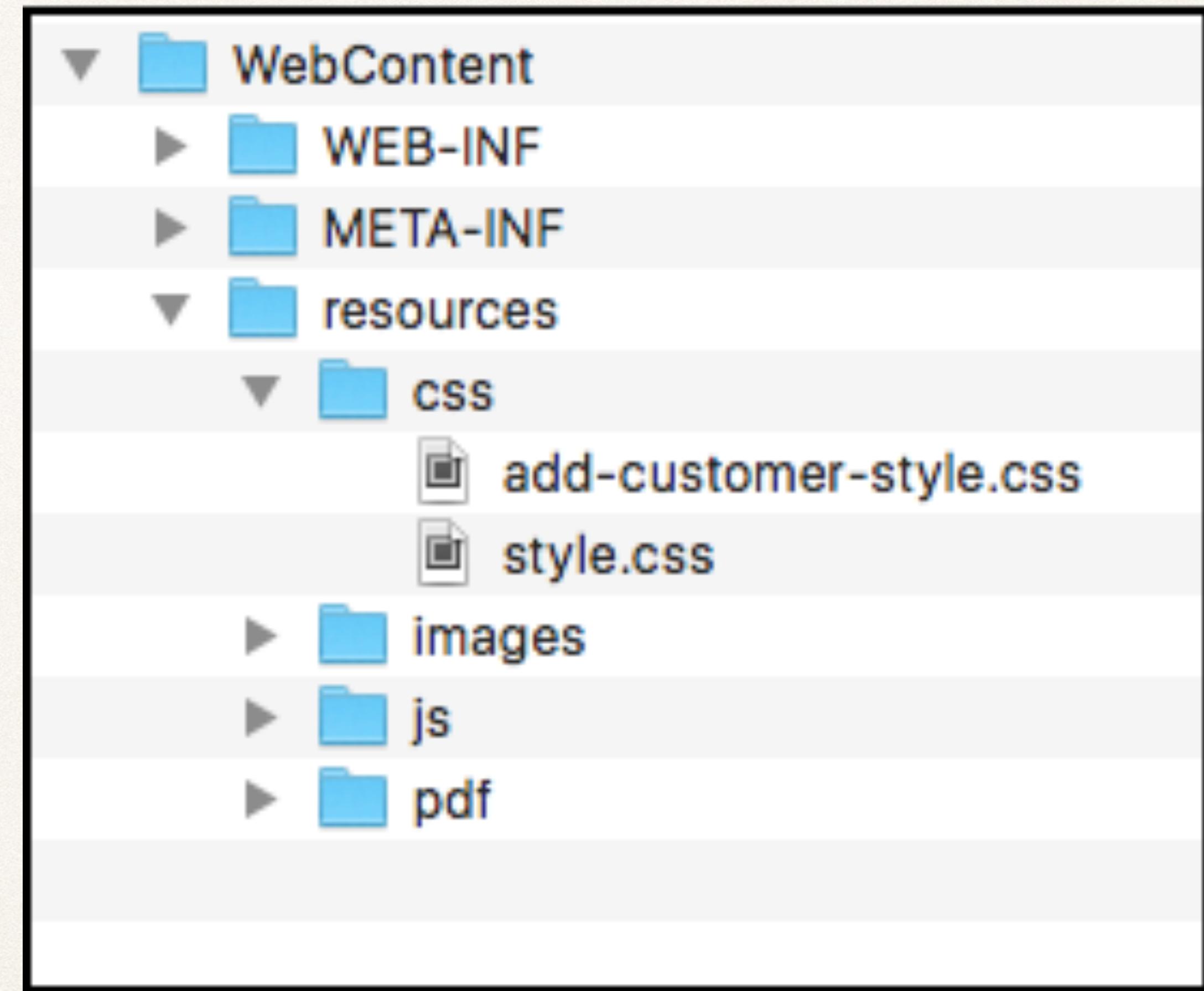
```
<head>
    <title>List Customers</title>

    <link type="text/css"
        rel="stylesheet"
        href="${pageContext.request.contextPath}/resources/css/style.css">

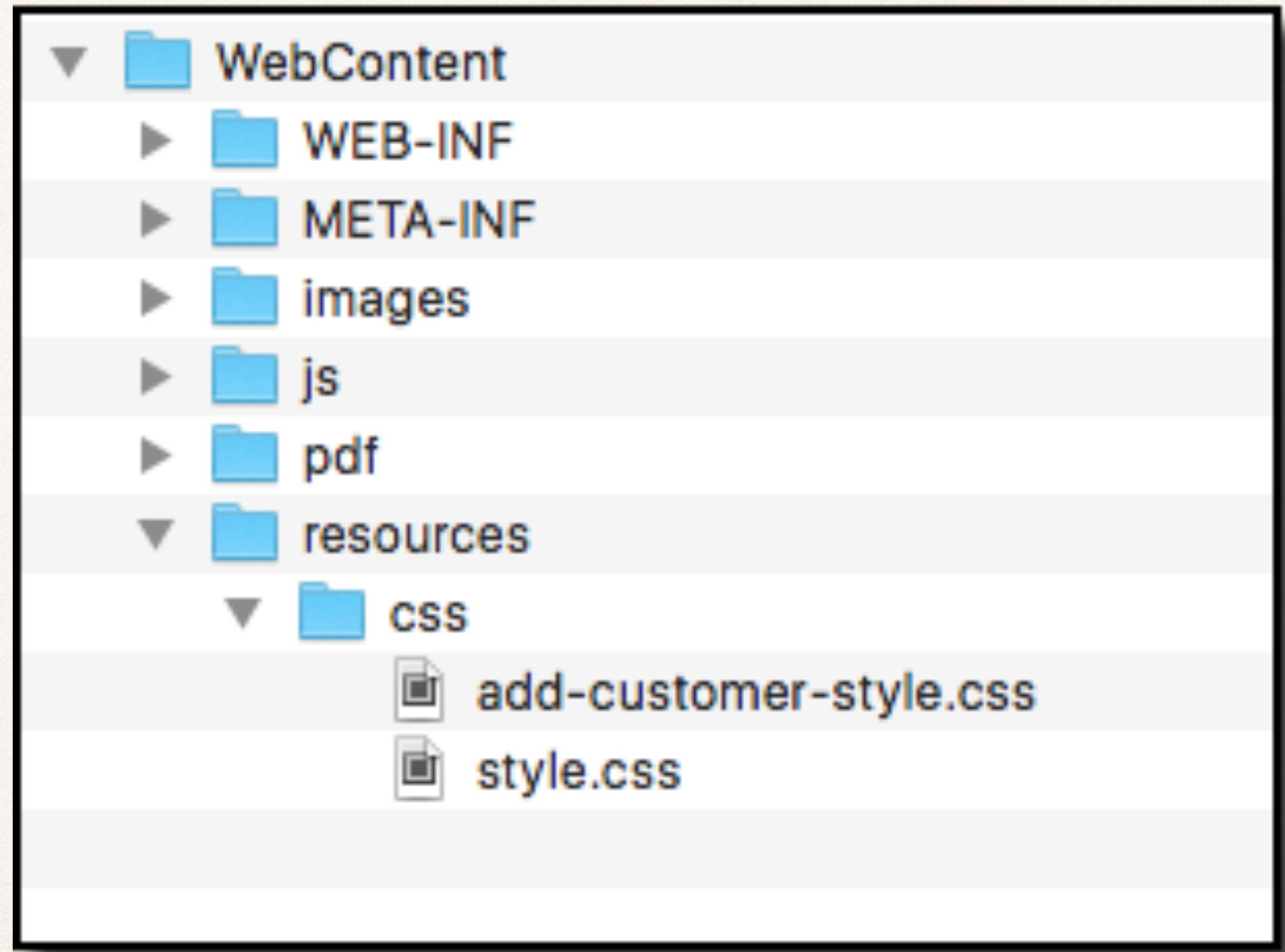
</head>
```



Applies for JavaScript, images, pdfs etc...



Alternate Directory Structure



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File: spring-mvc-crud-demo-servlet.xml

```
<mvc:resources location="/resources/" mapping="/resources/**" />
<mvc:resources location="/images/" mapping="/images/**" />
<mvc:resources location="/js/" mapping="/js/**" />
<mvc:resources location="/pdf/" mapping="/pdf/**" />
```

