

# How to Generate a Maven Project

**Disclaimer 1:** This was tested on macOS. Other operating systems should be similar. If not, it is my hope that this guide will at least point you in the correct direction.

**Disclaimer 2:** USE THE SCRIPT `./init.sh` AT YOUR OWN RISK. It was made for personal use on macOS, but it seems to work ok. Type `./init.sh -h` for usage information. As long as you are able to run `make` and `mvn` from the command line, the script should work.

## Sources

1. Maven in Five Minutes
2. Maven Basics, How Inheritance Works
3. Project Creator:<https://start.spring.io/>
4. Maven Shade Plugin
5. Junit Setup

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## Installing Maven

This guide assumes you already have Maven installed and you are able to run `mvn` from the command line.

If you do not have it installed, follow one of the following guides depending on your operating system:

1. macOS
2. Windows

## Creating Your Repository

You can create a repository one of two ways. Through the command line or using the Spring Framework.

1. Using Command Line
2. Using Spring Framework

## Using Command Line

Open the terminal and move to the directory where you would like to store your project. Run the command below, changing the `-DgroupId` and `-DartifactId`.

- `-DgroupId`: name of the organization in charge of the project  
– i.e. `edu.baylor.ecs.csi3471.YourName`
- `-DartifactId`: name of the built project  
– i.e. `Assignment-4`

```
mvn archetype:generate -DgroupId=com.mycompany.app -DartifactId=my-app -DarchetypeArtifactId=archetype-jar
```

*At this point, skip ahead to:* Adding Dependencies and Plugins

## Using Spring Framework

You can use the following site to get a repository automatically setup for you. <https://start.spring.io/>.

Make sure to specify your group and artifact. ‘Group’ is the organization that is in charge of creating this project (i.e. `edu.baylor.ecs.csi3471.name`). ‘Artifact’ is the name of the artifact that is created after packaging/compiling. Don’t worry about adding any dependencies. We will do that later.

The screenshot shows the 'start.spring.io' web form. It is divided into three main sections: 'Project', 'Language', and 'Dependencies'.  
 - **Project**: Includes 'Spring Boot' versions (3.3.0 (SNAPSHOT), 3.3.0 (M1), 3.2.3 (SNAPSHOT), 3.2.2, 3.1.9 (SNAPSHOT), 3.1.8) and 'Project Metadata' fields for Group, Artifact, Name, Description, and Package name.  
 - **Language**: Includes radio buttons for 'Maven', 'Gradle - Groovy', 'Gradle - Kotlin', 'Java', 'Kotlin', and 'Groovy'.  
 - **Dependencies**: Includes a button 'ADD DEPENDENCIES... 0/0' and the text 'No dependency selected'.  
 - **Packaging**: Includes radio buttons for 'Jar' and 'War'.  
 - **Java**: Includes radio buttons for '21' and '17'.

Figure 1: start.spring.io

Once finished, click ‘Generate’ and save the zip file to your computer. Navigate to where the zip file is stored and extract the contents.

At this point, you should have a directory that has the following file structure:

```
tmux at 12:02:36
~/Documents/baylor/classes/make-mvn
> tree -a
.
├── README.md
├── lab4
│   ├── .gitignore
│   ├── .mvn
│   │   └── wrapper
│   │       ├── maven-wrapper.jar
│   │       └── maven-wrapper.properties
│   ├── HELP.md
│   ├── mvnw
│   ├── mvnw.cmd
│   ├── pom.xml
│   └── src
│       ├── main
│       │   ├── java
│       │   │   ├── edu
│       │   │   │   ├── baylor
│       │   │   │   │   ├── ecs
│       │   │   │   │   │   ├── csi3471
│       │   │   │   │   │   │   ├── IbenIcko
│       │   │   │   │   │   │   │   ├── lab4
│       │   │   │   │   │   │   │   └── Lab4Application.java
│       │   │   └── resources
│       │   │       └── application.properties
│       └── test
│           ├── java
│           │   ├── edu
│           │   │   ├── baylor
│           │   │   │   ├── ecs
│           │   │   │   │   ├── csi3471
│           │   │   │   │   │   ├── IbenIcko
│           │   │   │   │   │   │   ├── lab4
│           │   │   │   │   │   │   └── Lab4ApplicationTests.java
│           └── Lab4ApplicationTests.java
├── lab4.zip
├── png
│   ├── springio-ss.png
│   └── unzip.png
└── 24 directories, 14 files

~/Documents/baylor/classes/make-mvn
> [1] 1:zsh*
```

Figure 2: Extracted Contents

## Editing the pom

If you created your repository from the command line, skip the next section (Removing Springwork Dependencies) and move to the following section (Adding Dependencies and Plugins).

### Removing Springwork Dependencies

Navigate into the extracted repository. We will now edit the pom file. `pom.xml` contains the configuration for our project. The `pom.xml` generated by `https://start.spring.io/` should look similar to the one below.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0 http://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.0.xsd">
  <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
  <parent>
    <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-parent</artifactId>
    <version>3.2.2</version>
    <relativePath/> <!-- lookup parent from repository -->
  </parent>
  <groupId>edu.baylor.ecs.csi3471.IbenIcko</groupId>
  <artifactId>lab4</artifactId>
  <version>0.0.1-SNAPSHOT</version>
  <name>lab4</name>
  <description>Demo project for Spring Boot</description>
  <properties>
    <java.version>17</java.version>
  </properties>
  <dependencies>
    <dependency>
      <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
      <artifactId>spring-boot-starter</artifactId>
    </dependency>

    <dependency>
      <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
      <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-test</artifactId>
      <scope>test</scope>
    </dependency>
  </dependencies>

  <build>
    <plugins>
      <plugin>
        <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
```

```

        <artifactId>spring-boot-maven-plugin</artifactId>
    </plugin>
</plugins>
</build>

</project>

```

We do not actually need the Spring framework, so go ahead and delete the <parent>, <dependency>, and <plugin> fields for the Spring framework. Your pom.xml should now look like this:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0 http://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.0.xsd">
    <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>

    <groupId>edu.baylor.ecs.csi3471.IbenIcko</groupId>
    <artifactId>lab4</artifactId>
    <version>0.0.1-SNAPSHOT</version>
    <properties> <java.version>17</java.version>
        <project.build.sourceEncoding>UTF-8</project.build.sourceEncoding>
    </properties>

    <dependencies>
        <dependency>
        </dependency>
    </dependencies>

    <build>
    </build>

</project>

```

## Adding Dependencies and Plugins

For our project, we will be utilizing the Maven Shade plugin to package our artifact into an uber-jar (i.e. a jar that contains all dependencies required to run our project). We will also be utilizing junit and surefire to do our unit testing.

See more: \* <https://maven.apache.org/plugins/maven-shade-plugin/>

\* <https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/junit-setup-maven>

With those added, our new pom.xml should look like the following:

```

<dependencies>
    <!-- junit5 for unit tests -->

```

```

<!-- https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/junit-setup-maven -->
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.junit.jupiter</groupId>
  <artifactId>junit-jupiter-engine</artifactId>
  <version>5.2.0</version>
  <scope>test</scope>
</dependency>
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.junit.platform</groupId>
  <artifactId>junit-platform-runner</artifactId>
  <version>1.2.0</version>
  <scope>test</scope>
</dependency>
</dependencies>

<build>
  <plugins>
    <!-- surefire plugin to allow tests to be executed during the maven build -->
    <!-- https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/junit-setup-maven -->
    <plugin>
      <groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>
      <artifactId>maven-surefire-plugin</artifactId>
      <version>2.22.0</version>
      <dependencies>
        <dependency>
          <groupId>org.apache.maven.surefire</groupId>
          <artifactId>surefire-junit4</artifactId>
          <version>2.22.0</version>
        </dependency>
      </dependencies>
      <configuration>
        <includes>
          <include>/**/*.java</include>
        </includes>
      </configuration>
    </plugin>

    <!-- maven-shade-plugin can package the artifact in an uber-jar -->
    <!-- the uber-jar consists of all dependencies required to run the project -->
    <!-- https://maven.apache.org/plugins/maven-shade-plugin/ -->
    <!-- goals for the Shade Plugin are bound to the `package` phase -->
    <plugin>
      <groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>
      <artifactId>maven-shade-plugin</artifactId>
      <version>3.5.1</version>

```

```

        <executions>
          <execution>
            <phase>package</phase>
            <goals>
              <goal>shade</goal>
            </goals>
          </execution>
        </executions>
      </plugin>
    </plugins>
  </build>

```

### Designate a Main Class

If we have multiple .java files, we need to specify a main class in our pom file. This is equivalent to having a Manifest.txt file. Add the following in the <configuration> field under plugins.

See more:

- <https://maven.apache.org/plugins/maven-shade-plugin/examples/executable-jar.html>

```

<configuration>
  <transformers>
    <transformer implementation="org.apache.maven.plugins.shade.resource.ManifestResourceTransformer">
      <mainClass>org.sonatype.haven.HavenCli</mainClass>
    </transformer>
  </transformers>
</configuration>

```

### Final Pom

With all the changes, our pom should now look like this:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<project xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0 https://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.0.xsd">
  <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>

  <groupId>edu.baylor.ecs.csi3471.IbenIcko</groupId>
  <artifactId>asgmt4</artifactId>
  <version>0.0.1-SNAPSHOT</version>
  <!--description>OPTIONAL</description-->

  <properties>
    <java.version>17</java.version>

```

```

    <project.build.sourceEncoding>UTF-8</project.build.sourceEncoding>
  </properties>

  <dependencies>
    <!-- junit5 for unit tests -->
    <!-- https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/junit-setup-maven -->
    <dependency>
      <groupId>org.junit.jupiter</groupId>
      <artifactId>junit-jupiter-engine</artifactId>
      <version>5.2.0</version>
      <scope>test</scope>
    </dependency>
    <dependency>
      <groupId>org.junit.platform</groupId>
      <artifactId>junit-platform-runner</artifactId>
      <version>1.2.0</version>
      <scope>test</scope>
    </dependency>
  </dependencies>

  <build>
    <plugins>
      <!-- surefire plugin to allow tests to be executed during the maven build -->
      <!-- https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/junit-setup-maven -->
      <plugin>
        <groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>
        <artifactId>maven-surefire-plugin</artifactId>
        <version>2.22.0</version>
        <dependencies>
          <dependency>
            <groupId>org.apache.maven.surefire</groupId>
            <artifactId>surefire-junit4</artifactId>
            <version>2.22.0</version>
          </dependency>
        </dependencies>
        <configuration>
          <includes>
            <include>/**/*.java</include>
          </includes>
        </configuration>
      </plugin>

      <!-- maven-shade-plugin can package the artifact in an uber-jar -->
      <!-- the uber-jar consists of all dependencies required to run the project -->
      <!-- https://maven.apache.org/plugins/maven-shade-plugin/ -->

```



```

        <!-- goals for the Shade Plugin are bound to the `package` phase -->
        <plugin>
            <groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>
            <artifactId>maven-shade-plugin</artifactId>
            <version>3.5.1</version>
            <executions>
                <execution>
                    <phase>package</phase>
                    <goals>
                        <goal>shade</goal>
                    </goals>
                    <configuration>
                        <transformers>
                            <transformer implementation="org.apache.maven.plugins.shade.
                                <mainClass>edu.baylor.ecs.csi3471.IbenIcko.App</mainClass>
                            </transformer>
                        </transformers>
                    </configuration>
                </execution>
            </executions>
        </plugin>
    </plugins>
</build>

</project>

```

## Compiling Your Project

At this point, we can now package our project into a jar using `mvn package`. This will store our built artifact in the `target/` directory. The target can be run using `java -jar`. For example:

```

mvn package
java -jar target/lab4-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar

```