PureCRUD Development Environment Setup Guide

This guide walks you through setting up the **optimal** development environment where everything "just works."

Of course, PureCRUD will work fine in many other environments, with other tools and other versions. However, the philosophy behind PureCRUD is to speed up development as much as possible and lower cost. So, that is why we provide this guide, to help you get going quickly and achieve maximum velocity.

Install JDK

- Download latest stable Java SE 7 from here: http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html
- Install to C:\jdk1.7
 Note: PureCRUD has also been extensively tested against Java SE 6.

Install Maven

- 1. Download latest stable Maven 3 from here: http://maven.apache.org/download.html
- 2. Unzip to C:\maven

Set up Environment Variables

- 1. MAVEN HOME= C:\maven
- 2. M2 HOME= C:\maven
- 3. JAVA_HOME=C:\jdk1.7
- 4. Add to PATH: %MAVEN HOME%\bin;%JAVA HOME%\bin

Install Jetty

- 1. Download latest stable Jetty 7 from here: http://download.eclipse.org/jetty/
- 2. Unzip to C:\jetty
- 3. Optionally, change the port number in C:\jetty\etc\jetty.xml like so: <Property name="jetty.port" default="7001"/> Note: using port 7001 allows swapping Jetty for Weblogic during development without changing the URL. In corporate environments, it is good to test the application periodically against whatever application server will be used in production.

Install Intellij

1. Download the latest Ultimate version from here: http://www.jetbrains.com/idea/download/index.html Optionally, go to File:Import Settings and import intellij_settings.jar downloaded from here: https://github.com/juanosuna/purecrud-sample/blob/master/extra/intellij_settings.jar

 Note: this is an optional step for novice Intellij users who want to make sure everything in Intellij "just works."

Alternatively Install Eclipse

- Download the latest Eclipse version from here: http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/
- 2. Go to File:Import:Existing Maven Projects and import the sample application.

Install PureCRUD Sample Application

- 1. Go to project page: https://github.com/juanosuna/purecrud-sample
- 2. Click **Downloads** button to download project as a zip. Unzip to **C:\Projects\purecrud-sample**.
- 3. Open DOS window in the root of the project and type following commands:
 - mvn clean install
 - mvn jetty:run

Note: running these commands for the first time could take 10-15 minutes to download all the dependencies. Not all downloaded dependencies are actually used in the project. Maven just aggressively caches libraries in ~/.m2/repository.

4. Try the application URL: http://localhost:7001/sample/app

Import Sample Application into IDE (Intellij or Eclipse)

The import process has been tested with both Intellij and Eclipse, and both IDEs are fully compatible with the PureCRUD technology stack: Spring, Hibernate, Vaadin, Maven and Jetty. However, generally speaking, Intellij is higher quality and provides a smoother experience. So, if you have the choice and the money, Intellij is the way to go.

Unlike Eclipse, Intellij does not provide a WYSWIG tool for designing Vaadin applications, but with PureCRUD you don't need it. PureCRUD already defines the UI design for you so you don't have to bother with that. Besides, do WYSWIG tools ever really work that well for designing GUIs?

For Intellij, see this video tutorial for instructions on how to import the sample application and configure the data source and the Jetty plugin.

For Eclipse, go to File:Import:Existing Maven Projects and import the sample application into Eclipse.

Install and Configure JRebel (Optional)

The PureCRUD framework and sample application were developed with JRebel, Intellij and Intellij's built-in Jetty plugin. This combination makes for a lightning-fast development environment where no server restarts or redeployments are required.

Even without JRebel, restarting should only take about 15-30 seconds, depending on your hardware. But why not save those precious seconds and maximize productivity?

You can download a trial of JRebel here: http://www.zeroturnaround.com/jrebel/current/

The sample application already contains a rebel.xml file. After installing JRebel, just edit the file and change the absolute file path to one that is correct for your environment.

Install and Configure SQuirreL SQL Client

SQuirreL SQL is a free tool that is capable of reading H2 database files, which PureCRUD uses as the lightweight database for development. This is useful for debugging.

- 1. Download and following instructions here: http://www.squirrelsql.org/#installation
- Grab the JDBC URL from database.dev.properties in the project and paste into the SQuirreL dialog box for configuring the database connection:

