# Maven + Struts 2

## **Installation**

Aim: Install Maven version 3.6.3 on window 10

Requisites: JDK version 1.7+

Procedure: Guide

#### **Basic about maven**

- A **project management** and comprehension tool that provides developers a complete build lifecycle framework
- It uses a project object model (POM) file, pom.xml to manage project's build, dependencies, reporting and documentation

#### **POM**

An xml file named pom.xml resides in base directory.

It should be noted that there should be a single POM file for each project.

- All POM files require the **project** element and three mandatory fields: **groupId**, **artifactId**, **version**.
- Projects notation in repository is **groupId:artifactId:version**.

#### Example:

#### **Super POM**

Maven 's default POM, inherited by all others one by default. To view it, run command mvn help:effective-pom.

#### Add dependency

It 's easy when comes to manage dependencies, libraries in maven project. For instance, we want to add [jstl-1.2 lib, just add these lines in pom.xml]

## **Build lifecycle**

A well-defined sequences phases, which define the order in which the goal are to be executed.

Sequence of phases: prepare-resource -> validate all necessary info is available -> compile -> test compiled source -> package (create JAR/WAR based on pom.xml) -> install package in maven repo -> deploy: copy the final package to remote repo.

To call a phase: run command mvn <phase> . Only phases up to and including that phase will execute.

A goal represents a specific task contributing to the building. It may be bound to 0+ phases. Syntax <phase>:<goal>, eg. 'dependency:copy-dependencies'.

# **Examples**

### **Create Java project (JAR)**

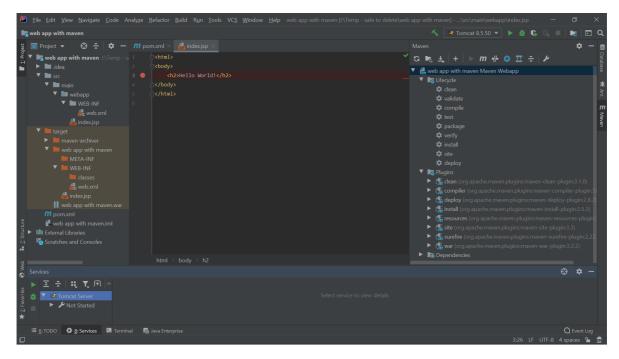
Guide: <a href="https://mkyong.com/maven/how-to-create-a-java-project-with-maven/">https://mkyong.com/maven/how-to-create-a-java-project-with-maven/</a>

## **Create Java web application (WAR)**

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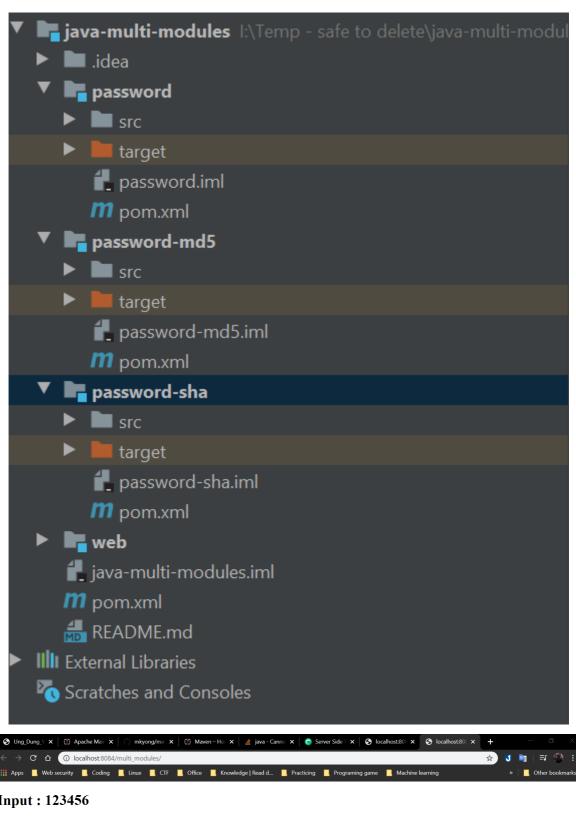
#### Procedure:

- 1. Create sample application with mvn archtype:<archtype>
- 2. Config POM.xml:
  - Add dependency javax servlet for java web app.
  - Ensure these plugins: dependency, clean, compiler, surefire (for surefire:test goal), war, deploy (Optional if we config deployment in IDE).



## **Create Multi-modules web app**

Guide: <a href="https://www.baeldung.com/maven-multi-module">https://www.baeldung.com/maven-multi-module</a>





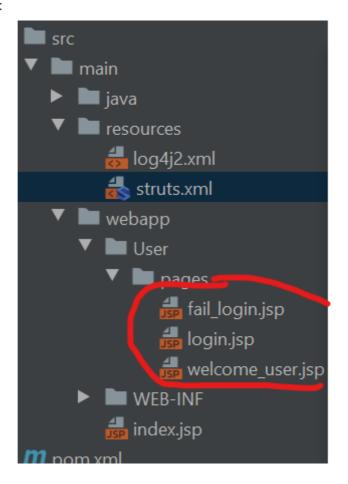
# Struts 2 - maven project

## **Common knowledge**

 Struts 2 will search for result page in webapp/ folder which means under ApplicationContext (Document root). For example:

An action 's config:

Located .jsp page:



# **Examples**

Hello world (XML)

#### Hello world (Annotation)

1. @ResultPath

If not specify this, web app will search for .jsp page in folder webapp/web-INF/content/

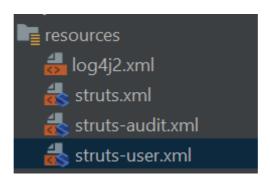
Now that the Convention plugin has been added to your application, let's start with a very simple example. This example will use an actionless result that is identified by the URL. By default, the Convention plugin assumes that all of the results are stored in **WEB-INF/content**. This can be changed by setting the property **struts.convention.result.path** in the Struts properties file to the new location. Don't worry about trailing slashes, the Convention plugin handles this for you. Here is our hello world JSP:

More information: documentation

#### 2. Scanning procedure:

- 1. Scan the annotated classes which located at the packaged named "struts, struts2, action or actions".
- 2. Next, scan the file which match either of the following criteria:
  - Implemented the **com.opensymphony.xwork2.Action** interface.
  - Extends the com.opensymphony.xwork2.ActionSupport class.
  - File name ends with Action (e.g UserAction, LoginAction).

#### Multiple struts config files



#### Struts.xml

struts-user.xml (for namespace = '/User')

```
<struts>
 1
 2
        <package name="user" namespace="/User" extends="struts-default">
 3
            <action name="Login">
 4
                <result>/WEB-INF/User/pages/login.jsp</result>
 5
            </action>
 6
            <action name="Welcome" class="org.example.user.WelcomeUserAction">
 7
                <result name="success">/WEB-
    INF/User/pages/welcome_user.jsp</result>
 8
                <result name="fail">/WEB-INF/User/pages/fail_login.jsp</result>
9
            </action>
10
        </package>
11 </struts>
```

struts-audit (for namespace = '/audit')

```
1
    <struts>
 2
       <package name="user" namespace="/User" extends="struts-default">
 3
           <action name="Login">
 4
                <result>/WEB-INF/User/pages/login.jsp</result>
 5
            </action>
 6
            <action name="Welcome" class="org.example.user.WelcomeUserAction">
 7
                <result name="success">/WEB-
    INF/User/pages/welcome_user.jsp</result>
8
                <result name="fail">/WEB-INF/User/pages/fail_login.jsp</result>
9
            </action>
10
        </package>
11 </struts>
```

#### **Using interceptors**

- 1. Interceptor work flow
- 2. default interceptors stack
- 3. create own interceptors stack
- 4. create own interceptor by implement: guide
- 5. provide parameters to interceptor