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Gradle Tool
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=> It is an open source build automation tool

=> Released in the year of 2007, Stable release came in 2009

=> Gradle has taken advantages of both Ant & Maven and removed dis-advantages of both.

=> Gradle written in Groovy Language

=> Gradle tool makes project build automation process easy.

=> Gradle tool used by large projects like Hibernate and Spring.

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What is Project Build Process
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=> Project Build process contains several phases

1) Download Requied Dependencies (Ex: jdbc driver, hibernate, spring)

2) Add dependencies to project build path

3) Compile Project Source Code

4) Execute Junit Unit Test Classes

5) Package project as a jar or war file (Executable artifact)

=> By performing above steps, we will convert project source code into executable file.

############ Build Tools are used to automate build process of the projects ##############

=> Build Tools are used to convert project source code into executable file

1) Ant

2) Maven

3) Gradle

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Gradle Setup
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1) Check Java is installed or not (If not available install Java)

$ java -version

2) Downlod Gradle s/w as Zip file & Extract it (www.gradle.org)

3) Set Path for Gradle in Environment Variables

4) Check Gradle Version

$ gradle -v

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# To create a project using gradle we will use below command
$ gradle init


build.gradle  : It is gradle build script file  ( groovy or kotlin ) - DSL

gradlew  : It is a wrapper to run Gradle in Linux & Mac OS machines

gradlew.bat  : It is a wrapper to run Gradle in Windows Machines

settings.gradle : To configure global settings of gadle project

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$ gradle tasks    === > It will display all gradle tasks

Note: In gradle everything is called as Task (Ex : compile, test, build, jar , war, run etc... )

$ gradle compileJava    ===> It is used to compile Java Classes

$ gradle build ===> It is used for Compile + Unit Test + Package

$ gradle run  ===> It will run our application main class

$ gradle clean ==> It will delete build directory


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============================== build.gradle ==========================

plugins {
        id 'java'
}

sourceCompatibility = 1.8
targetCompatibility  = 1.8

repositories {
        mavenCentral ( )
}

dependencies {

        implementation  'mysql-connector-j'

        testImplemention  'junit'
}

jar {
        archieveBaseName = 'app'
        archieveVersion = '1.0'
}

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