jInfer ProjectType Module Description

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Target audience: developers willing to extend jInfer, specifically extend jInfer project structure.

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	cz.cuni.mff.ksi.jinfer.base.interfaces.inference.SchemaGenerator
	cz.cuni.mff.ksi.jinfer.base.interfaces.inference.Simplifier
	org.openide.windows.IOProvider
Provided tokens:	none
Module dependencies:	Base
	Runner
Public packages:	cz.cuni.mff.ksi.jinfer.projecttype.actions

1 Introduction

ProjectType is the module responsible for creation of NBP project type which groups input/output files that belongs to one specific inference. Each jInfer project also allows user to set properties specific for inference.

With each project created in jInfer is also created specific directory structure on filesystem that describes jInfer project. This structure is described in figure 1, where rectangles represent folders and rounded rectangles files. Folder in filesystem is considered as jInfer project folder, if contains *jinferproject* subfolder. This folder contains two files, first is *project.properties*, where all properties set for particular project are saved. Second file is *input.files* which is xml file filled with paths to files inserted as input into particular project (structure of this file is described in section 2.1.3). *Output* subfolder contains schema files which were generated by jInfer inference.

2 Structure

Structure of *ProjectType* can be divided into following five main parts.

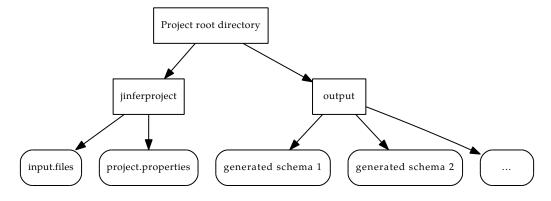


Figure 1: Project directory structure

- Base classes Classes providing main functionality like creation of project, defining operations like move, delete, copy etc. All the base classes are contained in the cz.cuni.mff.ksi.jinfer.projecttype package.
- Visualization classes These classes create tree structure of project in NBP Projects view and are contained in the cz.cuni.mff.ksi.jinfer.projecttype.nodes
- Actions Classes from cz.cuni.mff.ksi.jinfer.projecttype.actions package that provides actions allowing adding, removing input files into project, or running the project.
- Properties Classes responsible for creation of project properties window with properties category tree. These are situated in cz.cuni.mff.ksi.jinfer.projecttype.properties package.
- Project wizard Classes representing creation of project through new project wizard from cz.cuni.mff.ksi.jinfer.projecttype.sample package.

2.1 Base classes

This section describes classes needed for creation of the jInfer project and correct integration into NBP. Main two classes representing jInfer project type are JInferProjectFactory and JInferProject.

2.1.1 JInferProjectFactory

JInferProjectFactory is a factory class implementing ProjectFactory interface provided by NBP. This class is responsible for loading/saving of jInfer project from/to filesystem and also determining if folder in filesystem is type of jInfer project (contains *jinferproject* subfolder). For this purpose, class has three methods: isProject(), save() and load(). When jInfer project is loaded from filesystem, JInferProjectFactory creates new instance of JInferProject passing path to project folder as a constructor parameter. When save() method is invoced, all the project properties are saved in *projectproperties* file and paths to input files are saved in *input.files*.

2.1.2 JInferProject

JinferProject class implements Project interface from NBP and represents in-memory representation of jInfer project. Inner structure of this class is very simple, interface provides only two methods: getProjectDirectory() and getLookup(). All the extensibility of project type is done by *Lookup* functionality of NBP. Project lookup contains besides properties and Input class, which encapsulates input files, also class that creates output files, class that builds project tree in project window, etc.

2.1.3 InputFiles class

InputFiles is utility class that stores/loads input file paths into/from input.files xml file. For this purpose, class uses <code>JAXB</code> [JAX] architecture to unmarshall/marshall xml file into/from java content objects. Xml structure of the input.files is very simple, <code>jinferinput</code> is root element under which are <code>xml</code>, <code>schemas</code> and <code>queries</code> elements. Each of this elements could have none or more <code>file</code> elements with string attribute <code>loc</code> that contains absolute path to input file.

Example of the structure follows.

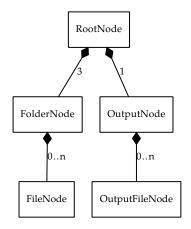


Figure 2: Project directory structure

2.2 Visualization classes

Each project in NBP is after creation opened in project window and has some visual tree structure where each node in this tree is represented by NBP Node class. This structure is in jInfer project type provided by JInferLogicalView class that implements LogicalViewProvider interface from NBP and is available through JInferProject lookup. This class has one important method, createLogicalView() that returns instance of RootNode class of root node. Simple class structure is described in figure 2.

RootNode extends NBP AbstractNode class which is basic implementation of NBP Node. This node contains four children nodes: three for input files (Document, Schema and Query) and one for output files generated by inference (Output). Root node also offers actions for adding input files, run inference and standard project actions like delete or move/rename project.

Each of the *input* nodes is represented by FolderNode class and contains *input file* nodes (represented by FileNode class) representing files added to the jInfer project. Notice that these *input file* nodes represents files from filesystem and are not copied to project folder structure. Because of this, if you delete this nodes from project tree, files from filesystem are not deleted.

OutputNode class represents *Output* node in jInfer project type tree and is slightly different from *input* nodes, because it refers to *output* subfolder in project filesystem hierarchy. In other words, files contained in this folder are shown as subnodes in *Output* node in project tree. This subnodes are represented by OutputFileNode class. Unlike *input file* nodes, if you delete *output file* node under the *Output* node, file represented by this node is also deleted from filesystem.

- 2.3 Actions
- 2.4 Properties
- 2.5 Project wizard
- 2.6 Preferences

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