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Java Enterprise Edition

Objectives

- Gain familiarity with the development of three-tier enterprise applications using the Java Enterprise Edition (Java EE) model.
- This includes the development of applications based on Enterprise JavaBeans (EJB),
- The Java Persistence API (JPA) and the Java Persistence Query Language (JPQL).
- Learn to use logging.
- Overall, you should build an Enterprise Archive, which can be deployed on a Server.

Final Delivery

- This assignment contains two parts: one is for training only, and does not count for the evaluation. You should only deliver the other part.
- You must submit your project in a zip file using Inforestudante. Do not forget to associate your work colleague during the submission process.
- The submission contents are:
 - Source code of the project ready to compile and execute.
 - o Project ready to deploy on the application server (an EAR file).
 - A small report in <u>pdf format</u> (<u>5 pages max</u>) about the implementation of the project.

Software

Java EE Platform

For this project, you are required to use a Java EE platform. We will be using the **WildFly Application Server**. This platform is open-source and is available at: http://wildfly.org/downloads/. **Eclipse IDE for Java EE Developers** is the recommended IDE (http://www.eclipse.org/). Eclipse will allow you to control the application server easily once you download the appropriate server adapter¹. Nevertheless, other IDEs like NetBeans and IntelliJ can do the job perfectly well. You should expect some additional difficulties.

Data Persistence

When programming in Java EE, the use of a database or persistence engine to save data is quite common. In this project, students will have to use Java Persistence API (JPA) as it is a Java EE standard and provides Java developers with an object/relational mapping facility for managing relational data in Java applications. The JPA engine will be **Hibernate**. The recommended databases are **PostgreSQL** and **MySQL**, but you are free to choose another one.

References

Enterprise Applications Tutorial

A warm-up tutorial on how to create Enterprise Applications is **available at this course's blog (http://eai-course.blogspot.pt)**. The messages from October 2014, October 2015 and October 2016 let you use JPA in a standalone environment and include notes for using JPA (and EJB) in a container-managed environment. The last message includes a tutorial to configure a MySQL datasource:

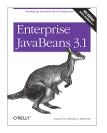
- http://eai-course.blogspot.pt/2016/10/creating-mysql-datasource-in-wildfly.html
- http://eai-course.blogspot.pt/2014/10/an-enterprise-application-repository-to.html
- http://eai-course.blogspot.pt/2014/10/java-persistence-api-with-eclipselink.html
- <u>http://eai-course.blogspot.pt/2012/10/a-simple-enterprise-javabeans-31.html</u>

Books

There is extensive bibliography online about Java EE. Nevertheless, for this assignment, students may start by reading a book that gives an overview about the basic concepts of Java EE. Contacting with a structured approach to Java EE development, like what is traditionally presented in books, is important. Although

¹ Check this site, for example: http://www.mastertheboss.com/jboss-server/wildfly-8/configuring-eclipse-to-use-wildfly-8.

students may feel overwhelmed by the size and complexity of these books, don't despair. For this assignment, you don't need to worry about security requirements. Thus, you can skip the corresponding chapters. **The following book is highly recommended**:



Enterprise JavaBeans 3.1 (6th Edition) by Andrew Lee Rubinger and Bill Burke

O'Reilly Media ISBN 0596158025 September 24, 2010

Online Resources

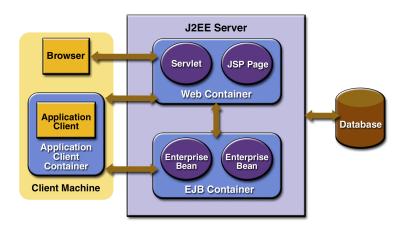
There are many online resources about Java EE and EBJs. One of the most important resources is the **Java EE Tutorial**, available at:

http://docs.oracle.com/javaee/7/tutorial/doc/javaeetutorial7.pdf. This tutorial is huge and extremely detailed, but you should skim it, as it covers the whole Java EE.

Also, all documentation for WildFly is available at: https://docs.jboss.org/author/display/WFLY10/Documentation

Introduction to Enterprise Applications

Application Integration can be made across many types of different applications and systems. Nevertheless, nowadays, most large-scale Enterprise Systems are being developed either using the Java EE Enterprise JavaBeans model or by using .NET augmented with enterprise services (e.g. COM+ transactional and messaging capabilities). Also, most of the emphasis recently put on SOA (Service Oriented Architecture) and ESB (Enterprise Service Bus) rely on application servers and enterprise-grade systems. As a consequence, for the purpose of this course, it is important that you have a deeper contact with the reality of Application Servers before we can focus on SOA and ESB.



The idea of Java EE is that enterprise-level applications are structured in three layers: presentation, business logic and data. This is shown in the above image. We are mostly concerned with the business code of the application. The business code runs inside a Java EE application server, which is fully responsible for managing it. The advantage of using an application server, when compared with developing a stand-alone application, is that the programmer does not have to implement many boilerplate enterprise-level functionalities. The container already provides these. In particular, a Java EE server provides for:

- Transactional contexts for guaranteeing data integrity and recovery in case of crashes;
- Connection polling for large number of invocations and optimized access;
- Integrated security management;
- In many cases, distributed computing, load balancing and clustering capabilities.

It should be noted that when one starts using an application server, it gets the feeling that it's slow, cumbersome, and that it has a difficult programming model. It is almost tempting to use a much simpler framework like JSP+Database or alike (Struts, Spring, etc.). The advantages only become clear in enterprise contexts where distributed transactions, transparent load balancing across several servers and millions of invocations have to be made with guaranteed operation. *In fact, for small-scale applications, Java EE should not be the way to go.* \odot

Training (not for evaluation)

JPA

- 1. Create an Entity that stores information about football players. Each player has a name, a date of birth, height and position.
- 2. Add an option to the program to list all players on a given position.
- 3. Add an option to the program to list all players taller than a given value.
- 4. Create another entity to store Teams. Besides the team name, you can also have address, president's name, etc. Now, try to associate players with teams.
- 5. Finally, you should change your Entities and add another option to the program to allow a connection between players and their former or current team.
- 6. List all the players that played on a given team.

EJBs

- 1. Write a stateless EJB that computes the square root of a number. You should also write a client that uses this bean.
- 2. Write a stateful EJB that stores and retrieves a list of items given by the client. This EJB could be used to keep a shop basket. You should also write the client.
- 3. Write a singleton EJB to raise one alarm. The container should start the EJB automatically and should start by itself. Which solutions could you use to run multiple alarms?
- 4. Now, write an EJB that allows you to use all the functionalities that you developed in the JPA part.
- 5. Use a message bean to receive the XML data that you sent to a topic in Project 1.

Project (for evaluation)

Overview

In this project, students will develop a **web application** to manage an online learning platform. The application will keep information of professors, students, administrators, courses and materials. This application should resort to a database to keep all the information.

Requirements

- 1. I need a special script that is not available online, to register new administrator users, provide their details, and set their passwords. This script can also delete administrator accounts.
- 2. As an administrator, I want to create new accounts of students and professors and assign them a name, birth date, institutional email, alternative email, address and telephone. Information of professors includes internal number, category, office, internal telephone number and salary. Students have a number and the year they entered the course.
- 3. As an administrator, I want to edit any user information.
- 4. As an unauthenticated user, I must only have access to a login screen.
- 5. I want to authenticate and start a session with my institutional email and password.
- 6. I want to be able to logout from any location or screen.
- 7. As an administrator, I want to create new courses, assign them one professor and several students. I also want to edit course information, students or professor.
- 8. As a professor I want to upload course materials, like pdfs, zips, etc.
- 9. As a professor, I can delete course materials.
- 10. As any (logged) user, I can list and download the course materials.
- 11. As a professor, I want to list all the students associated to a course, sorted alphabetically in ascending or descending order.
- 12. As a professor, I want to be able to do a search for a specific student regardless of course, using different fields of the student.
- 13. As an administrator, I want to be able to delete any data.

Additional Remarks

Finally, the following points apply:

- **Passwords should not be stored in clear text**. Students should store hashed passwords in the database.
- Students must use a logging tool.
- Students should be very careful about choosing between stateless beans or stateful beans. Also, they should be very careful about <u>not passing huge</u> amounts of information between application layers, when they don't need to.
- Students should be careful to avoid violating layers, e.g., they must not perform business logic operations in the presentation layer.
- **Students should not transport entities across layers**. However, to simplify, the only restriction we enforce in this assignment is not to transport any entities to the presentation layer.
- Students need to <u>be careful about authentication</u>, when they access the EJBs. They must verify each access to protected resources, or otherwise anyone could do a lookup to invoke an EJB.
- Consider the possibility of developing an entire text-based interface, starting only the web tier once you have implemented all the more important functionality.

Good Work!