

iText - How to stamp image on existing PDF and create an anchor

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I have an existing document, onto which I would like to stamp an image at an absolute position. I am able to do this, but I would also like to make this image clickable: when a user clicks on the image I would like the PDF to go to the last page of the document.



Here is my code:



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```
PdfReader readerOriginalDoc = new PdfReader("src/main/resources/test.pdf");
PdfStamper stamper = new PdfStamper(readerOriginalDoc, new
FileOutputStream("NewStamper.pdf"));
PdfContentByte content = stamper.getOverContent(1);
Image image = Image.getInstance("src/main/resources/images.jpg");
image.scaleAbsolute(50, 20);
image.setAbsolutePosition(100, 100);
image.setAnnotation(new Annotation(0, 0, 0, 0, 3));
content.addImage(image);
stamper.close();
```

Any idea how to do this ?

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1 Answer



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You are using a technique that only works when creating documents from scratch.



Please take a look at the [AddImageLink](#) example to find out how to add an image and a link to make that image clickable to an existing document:



```
public void manipulatePdf(String src, String dest) throws IOException,
DocumentException {
    PdfReader reader = new PdfReader(src);
```

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float h = img.getScaledHeight();
img.setAbsolutePosition(x, y);
stamper.getOverContent(1).addImage(img);
Rectangle linkLocation = new Rectangle(x, y, x + w, y + h);
PdfDestination destination = new PdfDestination(PdfDestination.FIT);
PdfAnnotation link = PdfAnnotation.createLink(stamper.getWriter(),
    linkLocation, PdfAnnotation.HIGHLIGHT_INVERT,
    reader.getNumberOfPages(), destination);
link.setBorder(new PdfBorderArray(0, 0, 0));
stamper.addAnnotation(link, 1);
stamper.close();
}

```

You already have the part about adding the image right. Note that I create parameters for the position of the image as well as its dimensions:

```

float x = 10;
float y = 650;
float w = img.getScaledWidth();
float h = img.getScaledHeight();

```

I use these values to create a `Rectangle` object:

```

Rectangle linkLocation = new Rectangle(x, y, x + w, y + h);

```

This is the location for the link annotation we are creating with the `PdfAnnotation` class. You need to add this annotation separately using the `addAnnotation()` method.

You can take a look at the result here: [link_image.pdf](#) If you click on the `i` icon, you jump to the last page of the document.



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