

## Basic Eclipse and Tomcat Tutorial

1. Download tomcat server from [Apache Tomcat](#).
2. Unzip the compressed archive. You should see a folder with **apache-tomcat-7.0.73** name.
3. The relevant directory structure of the **apache-tomcat-7.0.73** is as follows.

bin/startup.sh	shell script to start Tomcat server
bin/shutdown.sh	shell script to stop Tomcat server
lib	Tomcat Java libraries
logs	Tomcat server logs
webapps	applications directory

4. Create a new Eclipse Java project named **TomcatTutorial** with the following settings.  
Default project output folder: classes  
Library: add servlet-api.jar  
Create additional folders and files as per slide#44 of lecture slides

You can also import the given TomcatTutorial.zip Eclipse project to work with a ready made project.

NOTE: Eclipse code editor can't easily modify XML and HTML files. You need to use *gedit* application to edit these files.

5. The Eclipse project development structure for **TomcatTutorial** is as follows.

```
TomcatTutorial/  
  classes/  
    Hello.class  
  etc/  
    web.xml  
  src/  
    Hello.java  
  web/  
    index.html
```

6. The deployment directory structure for TomcatTutorial is as follows. The top-level folder **hello** has to be placed in **webapps/** directory.

```
hello/  
  index.html  
  WEB-INF/  
    web.xml  
    classes/  
      Hello.class
```

7. See Lab-10/skeleton folder for two compressed files: **TomcatTutorial.jar** and **hello.zip**
8. Start Tomcat server from terminal by using the following commands.  
cd apache-tomcat-7.0.73  
bin/startup.sh

If you need to restart Tomcat server, follow these commands.

```
bin/shutdown.sh  
bin/startup.sh
```

9. Open Firefox browser and go to URL: <http://localhost:8080/hello>  
You should see a form with submit button.
10. Once you fill the form and click submit button, a new page appears with filled in information.
11. The Hello.class servlet itself is directly accessible at URL: <http://localhost:8080/hello/hello>