69. Understanding Editable template in AEM.

Editable templates feature was introduced in AEM 6.2

With editable template, creating and maintaing template is no longer a developer only task.

Developer will still be required to setup the environment, create client library and create the component to be used.

**Template types:** static template and editable template.

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| **Static Templates** | **Editable Templates** |
| Defined and configured by the developer. | Created and edited by templated authors. |
| Same structure as the page. | Define structure, content and content policies. |
| Rely on design mode for page properties. |  |
| No dynamic connection between content and page. | Maintain a dynamic connection between the content and pages |

**Roles:**

Creating a new template using the template console requires collaboration between admin, developer ad template author.

**Admin:** Define the required access rights. Assigns authors to created templates in the folder. **Developer:** Sets up the initial environment and creates the components to be used in a template. **Template Author:** Creates templates using the Template Editor. Configure the use of the component in a page.

**Modes:**

While using editable templates, we will be using these 3 modes.

1. **Structure**

In this mode, we can define what components a template can hold.

1. **Initial Content**

This mode is what the initial content for each of these components should be.

Ex: We can predefine text in text component or image in image component etc

1. **Layout**

In this mode, we can define how the layout goes based on the device format.