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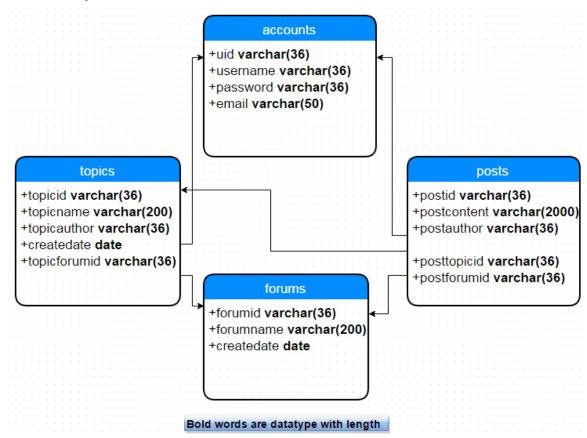
Description :

• The project is called Viralboards, it is a mini web "forum" that users can use to discuss about something.

- The basic Entities are Forum, Topic, Post, User.
- The application requires a user to register himself with a email ID and username in order to join the forum.

❖ Logic Employed:

■ Tables / Models :



- DB2 Queries:
- SELECT * FROM VRINTW01.Accounts WHERE USERNAME=? OR EMAIL=?
- INSERT INTO VRINTW01.ACCOUNTS (UID, USERNAME, PASSWORD, EMAIL) VALUES (?,?,?,?)

- INSERT INTO VRINTW01.FORUMS (FORUMID, FORUMNAME, CREATEDATE) VALUES (?,?,?)
- DELETE FROM VRINTW01.FORUMS WHERE FORUMID = ?
- INSERT INTO VRINTW01.TOPICS (TOPICID, TOPICNAME, CREATEDATE, TOPICFORUMID, TOPICAUTHORID) VALUES (?,?,?,?,?)
- UPDATE VRINTW01.TOPICS SET TOPICNAME = ? WHERE TOPICID = ?
- DELETE FROM VRINTW01.TOPICS WHERE TOPICID = ?
- INSERT INTO VRINTW01.POSTS (POSTID, POSTCONTENT, CREATEDATE, POSTTOPICID, POSTAUTHORID, POSTFORUMID) VALUES (?,?,?,?,?)
- DELETE FROM POSTS WHERE POSTID = ?
- SELECT * FROM VRINTW01.Accounts WHERE USERNAME=? AND PASSWORD=?
- SELECT * FROM FORUMS
- UPDATE VRINTW01.FORUMS SET FORUMNAME = ? WHERE FORUMID = ?
- SELECT * FROM Accounts INNER JOIN topics ON topics.topicauthorid=accounts.uid and topics.topicforumid = ?
- SELECT * FROM Accounts INNER JOIN posts ON posts.postauthorid=accounts.uid and posts.posttopicid = ?
- UPDATE VRINTW01.POSTS SET POSTCONTENT = ? WHERE POSTID = ?
- SELECT * FROM VRINTW01.POSTS WHERE POSTTOPICID = ?

DAO and its Implementation :

- The data access object has all those four models implemented and all the functions of the application.
- For Database connection it uses a connection pool controller defined under com.viralboards.controller as a separate project.
- The functions of the application includes the following :
- Register a user: A function checks if the username and email are unique and if they are then it creates a new user on the database.
- Logging in : A function checks for the provided username and password and returns true if it finds it.
- Create Forum: Function creates a new forum on the database from the given new forum object. Returns result as boolean.
- Edit Forum : Function edits the name of the forum under the forumid provided. Returns result as boolean.
- Delete Forum: Function deletes the forum under the forumid provided.
 (Deletes only if it does not have childs). Returns result as boolean.
- Create Topic: Function creates a new topic on the database from the given new topic object. Returns result as boolean.
- Edit Topic : Function edits the name of the topic under the topicid provided.
 Returns result as boolean.

 Delete Topic: Function deletes the post under the postid provided. (Deletes only if it does not have childs). Returns result as boolean.

- Create Post: Function creates a new post on the database from the given new post object. Returns result as boolean.
- Edit Post: Function edits the content of the post under the postid provided.
 Returns result as boolean.
- O Delete Post: Function deletes the post under the postid provided. Returns result as boolean.

Façade and its implementation :

- The façade provides a interface to interact with the data layer and the controllers.
- It has the same functions as the DAO but this functions creates an object which is passed to the DAO to perform database operations on them.
- All the "create" functions generates a unique ID for a entity via the Calendar object and add the id as the primary id of the object to be created on the database.
- The Edit and delete functions creates the entity object with their primaryid and send the object with the new entity to the DAO.
- All the fetch functions (getEntity) passes the foreign key id if required to the DAO and gets all the rows from the DAO. Returns a Set.

Controllers / Business layer :

- To Login or Register servlet are used. The Login gets a instance of façade calls the authorize user function with the username and password provided on that instance and forwards the user to either Login or Welcome page.
- The Register servlet calls the register function passing the user information and forwards the user to either the same page with error or to login page if registration is successful.
- Every Servlet checks the session if the user is logged in or not only then it performs further action.
- All the create entity servlets are used to create respective entity which calls the create functions in façade with the information and forwards the user to the list of that entity with a message.
- All the edit and delete servlets passes the primary id to the façade functions and forwards the user to the entity list with a message.
- All the display entity servlets calls the façade getentity functions and gets the set of entity objects.

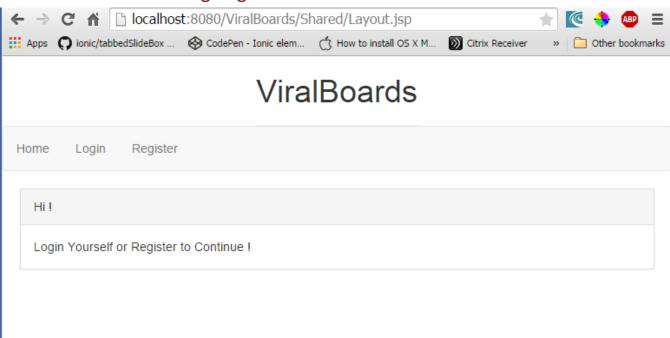
This set are passed to a utility to create a HTML table to display them.

Presentation Layer :

- For a consistent layout there is a shared jsp that contains the basic HTML of the application and renders the requested page.
- All the display jsps contain HTML to display the list given to them.
- The edit forms jsp are used to display a edit entity form to the user.
- The Insert forms jsp are used to display the insert entity form to the user.
- The Login and Register jsp are also forms to display the html for logging and registration html.

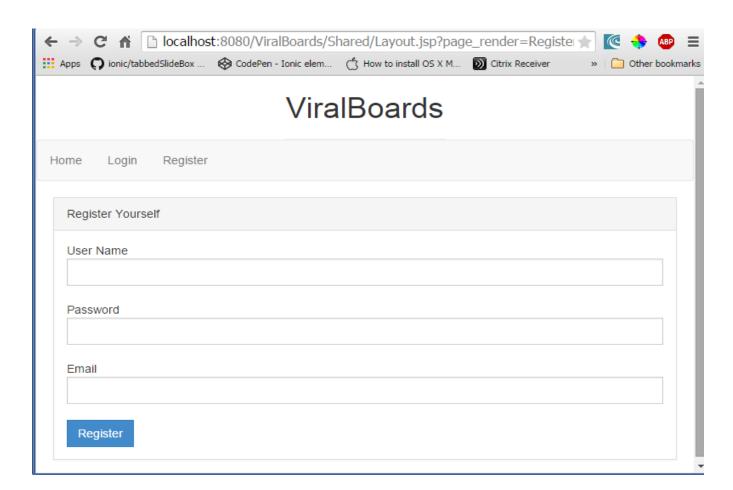
Screenshots:

→ Landing Page:

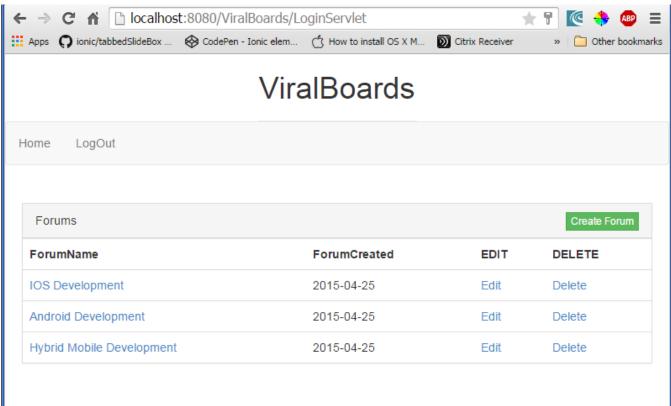


→ Login / Register Page

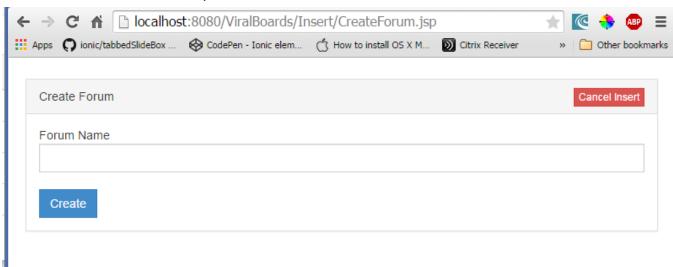




→ Displaying Forums (at successful login)

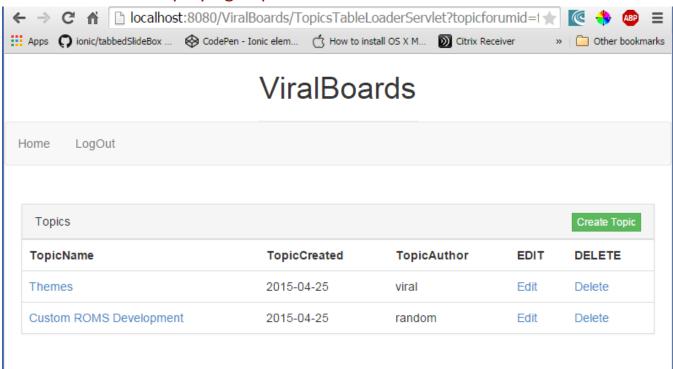


→ Create, Edit Forum

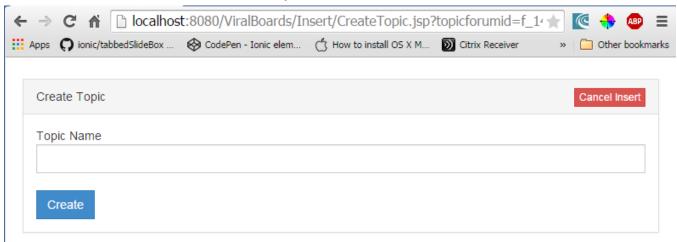


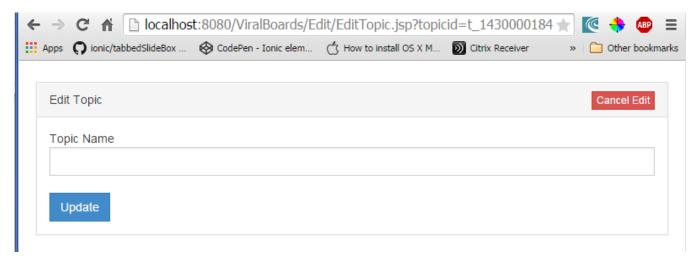


→ Displaying Topics



→ Create / Edit Topic

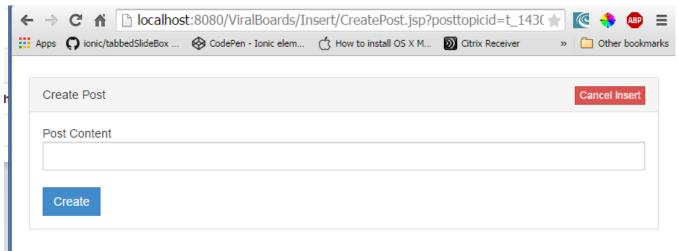




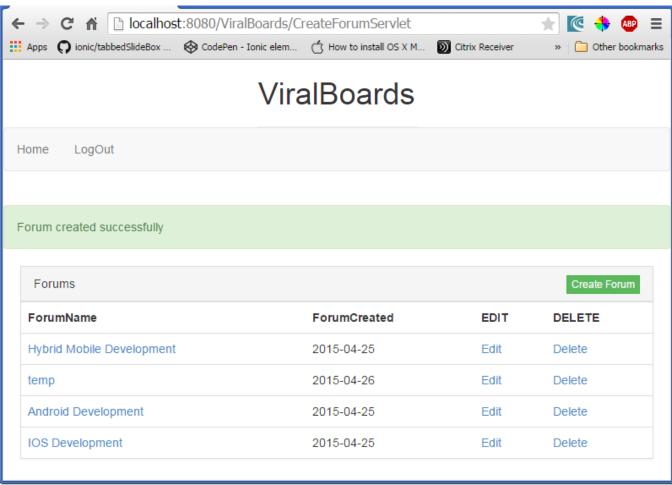
→ Displaying Posts



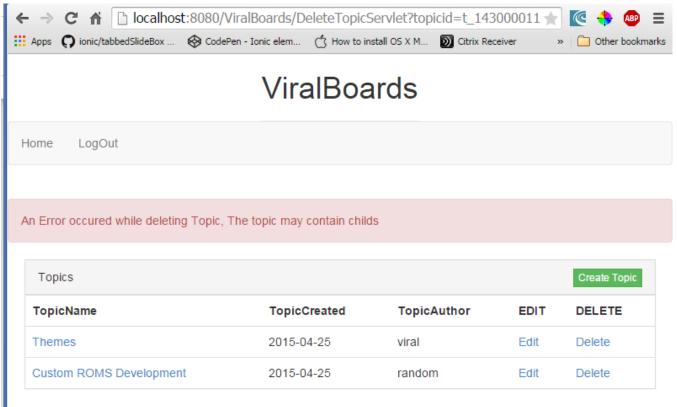
→ Create / Edit Post



→ Typical Success Message







Conclusions:

- 1. With J2EE we can create web application such that we can define the architecture of the application flexibly.
- 2. In this project, we have a Forum web application with basic CRUD operations on entities.