Web Development



Eamonn de Leastar (edeleastar@wit.ie)

Department of Computing, Maths & Physics Waterford Institute of Technology

http://www.wit.ie

http://elearning.wit.ie



Waterford Institute of Technology INSTITIÚID TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA PHORT LÁIRGE



Play Project Structure



Play Project Structure

- All Play projects have a very specific structure.
- This structure ensures that there is a consistent separation of concerns
- This ensures a clear distinction in the project structure between views, models and controllers.
- Views are expressed in HTML + a simple 'template' language
- Controllers and Models are in standard Java
- Additionally, there are small fixed number of configuration and 'yaml' files



• app

controllers

models

views

5 Key Sections



app

- Application 'sources', where most of the development effort takes place
- In a folder called 'app'
- In turn divided into three folders:
 - controllers
 - models
 - views



controllers

- Controllers accept all HTTP 'requests'
- Requests are initiated by user:
 - placing url in browser address bar
 - clicking on a link
 - submitting a form
- Requests result in methods in controllers being called
- These methods are called "Actions"



models

- Any information that must be 'remembered' will be part of the model
- For spacebook, this might include user details, names, passwords, messages, profile status, images etc...
- Currently empty but will be introduced shortly as Model classes.
- Instanced of these classes will be saved to a MySQL database



- Fragments of HTML pages
- Usually modeled on a base template main.html in this project
- main.html defines a top level structure for a complete page
- Individual aspects of the main.html template are replaced as needed to deliver a complete 'view'
- Page fragments contain HTML + a simple templating language



- Configuration of the application
- Simple files (usually)
- routes application routing table
- application.conf global settings
 - messages string for internationalization
 - data.yaml initial test data



- 'Static' files that are never expected to change
- Usually css + javascript
- May include static images favicons and other stock (unchanging) images
- Not involved in 'rendering' process no templates here



Logical -Package Explorer

 Programmer centric view. Emphasizes context aware editors suited to different languages syntaxes

Physical -Navigator

 Complete list of all files in the project folder.
Majority of these artifacts are 'generated' by build process and are never managed by the programmer





Except where otherwise noted, this content is licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial 3.0 License.

For more information, please see http:// creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc/3.0/



Waterford Institute of Technology INSTITIÚID TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA PHORT LÁIRGE

