The JSF Tools Project – 0.5 Release review

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The JSF Tools Project

- Provide comprehensive support to the Eclipse Web Tools Project to simplify development and deployment of JavaServer Faces (JSF) applications
- Incubating under the Web Tools Platform project
- Release review for pre-1.0 technology release planned to be shipped with the WTP 1.5 release
- Project requires Eclipse 3.2 and WTP 1.5 release
- Project will be made available from the WTP download site and Update manager (separate from WTP 1.5 release)
- Key Code Contributions
    - Sybase – Faces Configuration Editor
    - IBM   – EMF Model of the Faces Configuration resource
- Project home page: http://www.eclipse.org/webtools/jsf/

Features

- Faces Config Editor
- Enhanced JSF-JSP Source Editor
- JSF Library Registry
- Extensible framework

JSF Tools Features

- Faces Config Editor Features
  - Code Contribution from Sybase Inc.
    - Multi-page Editor
    - Overview page
      - Summary of elements in the configuration file
    - Navigation page
      - graphical diagram editor for navigational rules
    - Managed bean page
      - Form-based editor, Wizards
    - Component Page
    - Source Page
  - EMF model of the application configuration resource files
    - Programmatic access

JSF Tools Features

- JSF-JSP page Source Editor Features
    - Support for standard JSF Tag libraries
        - Content assist for values of tag attributes
        - Validation of values of tag attributes
    - JSF 1.1 EL validation
        - Basic Syntax Validation (Empty, incorrect)
        - Content assist for existing variable, property (managed bean, resource bundle)
        - Semantic validation
    - Enabled by Extensible Meta-data framework
        - Enable Content assist and Validation for other component libraries (Tomahawk)
        - Enables addition of new features (QuickFix, HyperLink)
        - Enhance the existing features (improved validations)
        - Pluggable design-time variable, property resolvers

JSF Tools Features

- JSF Library registry
  - define a named collection of JARs including tag libraries, JSF reference implementations and utility jars.

  - add, remove libraries associated with a project

  - Automate build classpath settings and deployment

  - Extension point for component developers to contribute their libraries

Extensible Framework

- Content Model Annotation Framework
    - Define additional meta-data for elements and attributes on any xml-based content model for use at design time.
- Design-time Meta-data Processing Framework
    - Uses the annotations framework to provide services to the JSF-JSP Source Editor
    - Define new services and enhance existing services
- Design-time Application Manager
    - Provide an approximation of certain JSF runtime state information at design time.
    - Pluggable design-time variable, property and method resolvers
- JSF Application Configuration Manager
    - Provide a unified application configuration model through API, effectively merging all faces configuration models into a single model
    - Notification services to monitor changes to the EMF objects in the model
    - Cross model validation will be supportable .

Standards

- This release supports the following standards
  - JavaServer Faces Technology 1.1 specification
    (http://java.sun.com/javaee/javaserverfaces/reference/api/index.html)
  - JSP 2.0
  - J2EE 1.4

Communities

- Committers
  - Oracle – Project Lead and WTP PMC member, 3 committers and 1 active contributor
  - Sybase – 1 committer
- Contributors
  - BEA, IBM – Feature review, weekly status calls
  - WTP SSE group – Design discussions (http://www.eclipse.org/webtools/jsf/dev_resource/DesignDiscussion-2006-03-03.html)
  - WTP Releng group – Integrating with the WTP build process
  - Individual contributors include
    - Lumir Vanek: contributed the Snippets feature,tested the product and has given feedback through bugzilla and newsgroup.

Communities (continued)

- Active User community
  - Product has been tested by a wide range of people and feedback given through newsgroup and bugzilla (http://www.eclipse.org/newsportal/article.php?id=272&group=eclipse.webtools.jsf#272)
- Active Adopter community
  - Feature requests include
    - support for CustomVariableResolver (http://www.eclipse.org/newsportal/article.php?id=229&group=eclipse.webtools.jsf#229)
    - need programmatic enhancement for plugin-provided JSF libraries (https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/show_bug.cgi?id=128091)
- Community development
  - Open communications of features, plans and status through newsgroup, mailing list and bugzilla
  - Release includes feature request from an adopter
  - Host weekly status call, communicate project status in weekly WTP PMC call
  - EclipseCon Long talk: Build JavaServer Faces applications with the JSF Tools Project
  - Completed Project release review by the WTP community on June 7th

Schedule

- WTP 1.5 – JSF Tools Project (0.5) Release
    - M1 - December, 16, 2005
        - WTP 1.0 based. Basic Application Configuration Editor and support for end-to-end JSF application development and deployment.
    - M5 - March 13, 2006
        - Milestone release for EclipseCon 2006. Based on WTP1.5 M5 Milestone.
    - RC2 - May 10, 2006
        - Feature complete for Faces Config Editor. Includes integration between the Faces Config Editor and the Faces Config EMF model.
    - RC3 - May 30, 2006
        - New Features in JSF-JSP Source Editor including Content Assist and Validation and extensible frameworks
    - RC4 - June 7, 2006
        - Feature freeze. Only bug fixes and documentation allowed beyond this date.
    - RC5 - June 20, 2006 Code freeze
        - Only documentation changes allowed beyond this date.
    - Release(RC6) - June, 28, 2006
        - Aligned with WTP 1.5 Final release.

Release Readiness

- Integrated with WTP build infrastructure
    - JSF Tools Project is built with WTP and is available on the WTP download page.
    - Work in progress to integrate with the WTP Update Manager.
- Milestones
    - **RC4 – Feature Freeze – June 7th completed and posted for review.**
    - RC5 – Code Freeze – June 20th – In progress.
- Testing Status
    - Junit tests integrated with the build process. All tests passed on the feature freeze build.
    - Junit tests available for all the major functional blocks . Estimated coverage is better than 50%.
    - Manual tests
        - All tests are documented and in CVS.
        - All milestone builds are tested manually before releasing the build.

Release Readiness (continued)

- Testing Status (continued)

  - See **org.eclipse.jsf\components\jsf\development\design** for documentation on the tests.

  - Defect Status

    - 129 - Total Bugs logged
      - 27 - Enhancement requests
      - 17 - Blocker + Critical + Major
    - 79 - Bugs resolved (all Blocker+Critical+Major bugs resolved)
    - 50 - Bugs deferred

  - Release Exit Criteria:

    - All automated and manual tests pass
    - No P1/Blocker+Crtical+Major bugs
    - All provisional API's documented

Release Readiness (continued)

- Documentation Status
  - User Documentation
    - Complete User documentation available as Eclipse Help
    - Getting started section has comprehensive tutorial
  - Developer Documentation
    - Programmers Guide section available as Eclipse Help
    - Javadoc available for all provisional API's
    - Extensions point documented
    - Tutorial on Extending JSF Tools Project included in the Eclipse Help
    - Design documentation available for all the major features
      - In CVS under, **org.eclipse.jsf\components\jsf\development\design**

API Overview

- All API's in this release are Provisional
- No end-of-life issues as this is the first release
- Following areas of the product are planned to become API's in the 1.0 release.

- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.contentmodel.annotation.internal.provisional
  - API for accessing and populating the internal content model annotations model
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.metadataprocessors.internal.provisional
  - API for providing meta-data driven source editor services using the content model annotations
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.taglibprocessing.internal.provisional.attributevalues
  - API for supplied attribute value runtime types and features used for providing meta-data enabled services for attribute values in source editor
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.metadataprocessors.internal.provisional.features
  - API for meta-data services/features
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.context.internal.provisional
  - Defines the abstract context
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.context.resolver.internal.provisional
  - Defines the abstract context resolver
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.context.structureddocument.internal.provisional
  - Defines the abstract context for *structured documents*
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.context.structureddocument.context.resolver.internal.provisional
  - Defines the concrete context resolvers for structured documents.
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.context.symbol.internal.provisional
  - Symbol API used to declare EL variables, properties, methods etc.
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.designtime.internal.provisional.
  - API for the Design Time Application Manager including default and pluggable resolvers.
- org.eclipse.jst.jsf.core.internal.provisional.jsfappconfig.
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IP Review

- About files and license files are complete and correct?
    - Yes
- All significant and third-party contributions have been reviewed by Eclipse Legal?
    - Yes: See project log for complete list
- Project log complete and has been reviewed by Eclipse Legal?
    - Yes
- The URL is http://www.eclipse.org/webtools/development/ip_log.html

Future Release plans

- WTP 2.0 – JSF Tools Project (1.0) release – June, 2007
    - Support for JavaServer Faces 1.2 (Java 5 EE)
    - Visual JSF-JSP Page Editor
    - Enhancements to Faces Config Editor and JSF-JSP Page Editor
        - Validations
        - Quick Fix
        - Hyperlink
    - Release first set of public API's
        - Extensible frameworks
    - Comprehensive Developer documentation

Thanks..

- Please send us your feedback, requirements and issues at
  - Newsgroup: eclipse.webtools.jsf
  - Mailing list: wtp-jsf-dev@eclipse.org
  - Bugzilla:
    https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/enter_bug.cgi?product=Java%20Server%20Faces