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Preface

This guide describes how to use Oracle Application Server 10g Multimedia Tag Library for JSP.

Audience

This guide is for experienced application developers who want to develop JSP-based multimedia Web applications of a low to medium level of complexity. It is also for application developers who want to rapidly create multimedia application prototypes as well as for authors of JavaServer Pages who have some experience writing Java applications.

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This guide contains the following chapters and appendixes:

Chapter 1, "Introduction to Multimedia Tag Library"

Contains an overview of media retrieval and upload concepts.

Chapter 2, "Program Examples Using Multimedia JSP Tags"

Describes a sample program (based on the Oracle *inter*Media photograph album sample application).

Chapter 3, "Media Retrieval Reference Information"

Contains reference information on the media retrieval tags.

Chapter 4, "Media Upload Reference Information"

Contains reference information on the media upload tags.

Appendix A, "Installation and Configuration Information"

Describes how to install and configure Oracle Application Server 10g Multimedia Tag Library for JSP.

Appendix B, "Error Messages"

Contains information on possible errors that can be raised by Oracle Application Server 10g Multimedia Tag Library for JSP.

Related Documentation

This guide is not intended as a standalone document. It is a supplement to *Oracle interMedia Reference*, *Oracle interMedia User's Guide*, and *Oracle interMedia Java Classes*

Reference. To successfully perform operations on Oracle *inter*Media ("*inter*Media") objects using the Java interface, you also need the following guides:

- Oracle9i JDBC Developer's Guide and Reference
- Oracle Application Server Containers for J2EE User's Guide
- Oracle Application Server Containers for J2EE Support for JavaServer Pages Developer's Guide
- Oracle Application Server Containers for J2EE JSP Tag Libraries and Utilities Reference
- PL/SQL User's Guide and Reference

For more information about using *inter*Media in a development environment, see the following documents in the Oracle documentation set:

- Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide Fundamentals
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The following conventions are also used in this guide:

Convention	Meaning
· ·	Vertical ellipsis points in an example mean that information not directly related to the example has been omitted.
	Horizontal ellipsis points in statements or commands mean that parts of the statement or command not directly related to the example have been omitted.
boldface text	Boldface text indicates a term defined in the text.
italic text	Italic text is used for emphasis, book titles, and user-supplied information.
monospace text	Monospace text is used in examples. It is also used in text for file and directory names, and for excerpts of examples.
<>	Angle brackets enclose user-supplied names. Angle brackets in error message text enclose system-supplied names.
{}	Braces in syntax or examples enclose two or more items, one of which is required.
[]	Brackets enclose optional clauses from which you can choose one or none. Brackets in Java code mean that the method returns an array of values.

Introduction to Multimedia Tag Library

Oracle *inter*Media ("*inter*Media") provides a custom JavaServer Pages (JSP) tag library that lets users easily generate multimedia HTML tags in JavaServer Pages, and upload multimedia data into *inter*Media objects.

This chapter briefly describes selected *inter*Media and Java concepts to show how Oracle Application Server 10g Multimedia Tag Library for JSP ("Multimedia Tag Library") fits into a JSP-based multimedia Web application.

1.1 Oracle interMedia Overview

Oracle *inter*Media enables the Oracle Database software to store, retrieve, manage, and manipulate images, audio, video, and other media data, while integrating it with other enterprise information.

Specifically, Oracle interMedia supports media storage, retrieval, management, and manipulation of media data managed by Oracle Database and stored in one of the following: binary large objects, file-based large objects, URLs that contain media data, and specialty servers. Oracle *inter*Media media storage and retrieval services enhance the management of Web content.

Oracle *inter*Media is accessible to applications through both relational and object interfaces. Database applications written in Java, C++, or traditional 3GLs can interact with *inter*Media through modern class library interfaces, or PL/SQL and Oracle Call Interface.

Oracle *inter*Media uses object types that are similar to Java or C++ classes to describe media data. These interMedia object types are called ORDAudio, ORDDoc, ORDImage, and ORDVideo. *inter*Media objects have a common media data storage model.

Oracle *inter*Media also provides Java Classes to enable users to write Java applications using interMedia objects. Oracle interMedia lets you store your media information in a database table, retrieve it from the table, and manipulate it. Oracle interMedia Java Classes lets you write your own Java applications to use, manipulate, and modify media data stored in the database. Oracle *inter*Media Java Classes lets an application retrieve an object from a result set and manipulate the contents of the object.

Oracle interMedia Java Classes for servlets and JavaServer Pages (JSP) facilitates retrieving and uploading media data from and to the database.

See Oracle interMedia User's Guide and Oracle interMedia Reference for additional information about Oracle interMedia and interMedia objects. See Oracle interMedia *Java Classes Reference* for information about using *inter*Media objects in Java applications.

1.1.1 Media Retrieval Concepts

Oracle *inter*Media Java Classes for servlets and JSP uses the OrdHttpResponseHandler class to retrieve media data from an Oracle database and deliver it to a browser or other HTTP client from a Java servlet or JSP page.

Multimedia Tag Library provides media retrieval tags, which JSP developers can use to generate complete HTML multimedia tags or create multimedia retrieval URLs for inclusion in the customized use of an HTML multimedia tag. The media retrieval tags are embedAudio, embedImage, embedVideo, and mediaURL.

1.1.2 Media Upload Concepts

Oracle interMedia Java Classes for servlets and JSP uses the OrdHttpUploadFile class to facilitate the handling of uploaded media files. This class provides a simple application programming interface (API) that applications call to load media data into the database.

File uploading using HTML forms encodes form data and uploaded files in POST requests using the multipart/form-data format. The OrdHttpUploadFormData class facilitates the processing of such requests by parsing the POST data and making the contents of regular form fields and the contents of uploaded files readily accessible to a Java servlet or JSP page.

Multimedia Tag Library provides media upload tags, which facilitate the development of multimedia applications that upload media data into the database. The media upload tags are storeMedia, uploadFile, and uploadFormData.

1.2 Java Concepts

Java is an object-oriented programming language developed by Sun Microsystems. Java programs can run on any computer platform that includes a Java Virtual Machine (JVM). The JVM is a special software environment that compiles the code. It provides the software that the Java program uses to perform tasks including collecting user or system input, displaying information, and allocating memory. Java can be used to develop small Web applications or large network applications.

1.2.1 J2EE

Java2 Enterprise Edition (J2EE) is an integrated development environment developed by Sun Microsystems that extends the capabilities of the earlier Java2 Standard Edition (J2SE) platform. Among other features, J2EE supports Java servlets, JSP pages, and XML.

1.2.2 Java Servlets

Java servlets are Java programs that let Web developers extend and enhance the features of a Web server. Java servlets encourage modular programming using the latest features of the Java language, including Java classes and streams. Java servlets can access the latest Java APIs as well as a collection of calls specific to HTTP. Java servlets are supported on any platform that has a JVM, and a Web server that supports servlets.

Most Java servlets receive requests from a client, generate dynamic HTML text in response, and then send that text back to the client to be displayed by the Web browser. Java servlets can also generate XML text to encapsulate data and send the data to the client or to other parts of the application. Java servlets are often used to create interactive applications.

1.2.3 JavaServer Pages

JavaServer Pages (JSP) technology is an extension of Java servlet technology. It allows users to include portions of Java code in an HTML page or another type of document, such as an XML file.

In a typical JSP page, form is separate from function. The form or layout of information is determined by the JSP page author, while other functions, such as database access, are handled by calls to JavaBeans or by other mechanisms.

1.2.4 JSP Tag Libraries

All JSP tag libraries extend JSP technology. Typically, JSP tag libraries include specific, modular functions encapsulated within a set of tags that can be used by any JSP page.

Custom JSP tag libraries provide the capability to include Java functions without having to enter Java code specifically. Each JSP tag library defines a specialized sublanguage, thus enabling a more natural use of those Java functions with JSP pages. For example, Oracle Application Server Containers for J2EE (OC4J) provides the JSP Markup Language (JML) Tag Library. Along with other features, JML allows application developers to write JSP pages that include conditional logic and loop constructs without having to use the syntax for Java code scripts directly.

1.3 Choosing Between Java Classes for Servlets and JSP or **Multimedia Tag Library**

Deciding whether to use Oracle interMedia Java Classes for servlets and JSP or Multimedia Tag Library depends on the type of application you want to develop as well as your level of experience with Java programming.

Java servlets and JSP pages offer flexibility by enabling you to customize the application output. This customization requires a moderate level of skill with the Java programming language, and with servlet and JSP technology. Thus, servlets and JSP pages are best suited for complex applications developed by reasonably experienced Java programmers.

The tags provided by Multimedia Tag Library offer speed and ease of use, allowing you to write simple Java applications requiring little or no customization. JSP tags are appropriate for less experienced Java programmers who want to develop common applications quickly, using limited Java code.

Program Examples Using Multimedia JSP Tags

This chapter provides full-length code examples of user-defined JSP pages using Oracle Application Server 10g Multimedia Tag Library for JSP ("Multimedia Tag Library"). The material in this chapter assumes prior knowledge of SQL, PL/SQL, Java Database Connectivity (JDBC), OC4J, and JSP. For a list of related documentation, see the Preface in this guide.

This code will not necessarily match the code in the files shipped as a sample application on OTN. If you want to run an example on your system, use the files provided with the Multimedia Tag Library software on OTN; do not attempt to compile and run the code presented in this chapter.

The media retrieval and media upload examples also use the SQL tag library to access the database. The prefix for these tags is sql. For more information about the SQL tag library, see the material on SQL tags for data access in Oracle Application *Server Containers for J2EE JSP Tag Libraries and Utilities Reference.*

Both the media retrieval and media upload examples use the database table named photos. The table definition for the photos table is as follows:

```
photos (id
              NUMBER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
       description VARCHAR2(40) NOT NULL,
       location VARCHAR2(40),
       image
                ORDSYS.ORDIMAGE,
       thumb
                ORDSYS.ORDIMAGE);
```

Note: This chapter contains examples of Java and HTML code. The code examples display numbers enclosed in brackets; these indicate that further explanation of that code will be in the numbered list immediately following the example.

2.1 Media Retrieval Example

The PhotoAlbum.jsp file is one component of a sample JSP application that uses tags from Multimedia Tag Library to retrieve media data from the database and deliver it to a browser, which displays the media in a simple photograph album application. Example 2–1 shows the following tags: mediaUrl and embedImage.

The PhotoAlbum.jsp file generates the HTML code that displays the contents of the database table named photos, including the contents of the description, location, and thumb columns. The contents of the thumb column in the photos table are displayed as thumbnail images that link to the full-size images, which are stored in the image column in the photos table. From the browser, users can click a thumbnail image to view the full-size image.

Example 2–1 Contents of PhotoAlbum.jsp

```
[1] < @ page language = "java" %>
[2] <%@ taglib prefix="ord" uri="/Web-inf/intermedia-taglib.tld" %>
<%@ taglib prefix="sgl" uri="/web-inf/sgltaglib.tld" %>
<%
 [3] public static final String escapeHtmlString(String input)
        StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer();
        for (int i = 0; i < input.length(); i++)
           char ch = input.charAt(i);
            switch (ch)
               case '<':
                   sb.append("<");
                   break;
               case '>':
                   sb.append(">");
                   break;
                case '&':
                   sb.append("&");
```

```
break;
                case '"':
                    sb.append(""");
                    break;
                case ' ':
                    sb.append(" ");
                    break;
                default:
                    sb.append(ch);
        return sb.toString();
%>
<%-- HTML header --%>
<HTML LANG="EN">
<HEAD>
<TITLE>interMedia JavaServer Pages Photo Album Demo</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
<%-- Page heading --%>
[4] <TABLE BORDER="0" WIDTH="100%">
 <TR>
   <TD COLSPAN="2" BGCOLOR="#F7F7E7" ALIGN="CENTER"><FONT SIZE="+2">
      <I>inter</I>Media JavaServer Pages Photo Album Demo</FONT>
   </TD>
 </TR>
</TABLE>
<P>
<TABLE BORDER="1" CELLPADDING="3" CELLSPACING="0" WIDTH="100%"
 SUMMARY="Table of thumb nail images">
 <TR BGCOLOR="#336699">
   <TH id="description"><FONT COLOR="#FFFFFF">Description</FONT></TH>
   <TH id="location"><FONT COLOR="#FFFFFF">Location</FONT></TH></TH>
    <TH id="image"><FONT COLOR="#FFFFFF">Image</FONT></TH>
 </TR>
<% int rowCount = 0; %>
[5] <sql:dbOpen connId = "myConn" dataSource="jdbc/OracleDS" />
```

```
<sql:dbQuery connId = "myConn" queryId="myQuery" output="jdbc">
    SELECT id, description, location from photos order by description
</sql:dbQuery>
<sql:dbNextRow gueryId="myQuery">
  <%
[6]
      String id = myQuery.getString(1);
      String description = myQuery.getString(2);
      String location = myQuery.getString(3);
   %>
[7]
        <TR>
        <TD HEADERS="description">
          <%= escapeHtmlString(description) %>
        </TD>
  <%
       if ( location != null )
            out.print( "<TD HEADERS=\"location\">" +
              escapeHtmlString(location) + "</TD>" );
        else
            out.print( "<TD HEADERS=\"location\">&nbsp;</TD>" );
  %>
        <TD HEADERS="image">
   [8]
            <ord:mediaUrl dataSourcename="jdbc/OracleDS"</pre>
                          table = "photos"
                          column = "image"
                          key = "<%=id%>"
                          keyColumn = "id"
                          id = "urlId">
    [9]
          <A HREF="<%= urlId.getUrl()%>">
    [10]
              <ord:embedImage dataSourceName="jdbc/OracleDS"</pre>
                               table = "photos"
                                column = "thumb"
                               key = "<%= id %>"
                                keyColumn = "id"
                                alt = "<%=escapeHtmlString(description)%>"
                                border="1" />
            </A>
           </ord:mediaUrl>
      </TD></TR>
[11] <% rowCount ++; %>
</sql:dbNextRow>
<sql:dbCloseQuery queryId="myQuery"/>
<sql:dbClose connId="myConn"/>
```

```
<TR>
     <TD SCOPE="col" COLSPAN="3" ALIGN="CENTER"><FONT COLOR="#336699"><B><I>
<%
        if (rowCount == 0)
          out.println(" The photo album is empty");
        else
          out.println(" Select the thumb-nail to view the full-size image");
 %>
      </I></B></FONT></TD>
    </TR>
<%-- Finish the table --%>
</TABLE>
</P>
 <P>
<TABLE WIDTH="100%">
  <TR BGCOLOR="#F7F7E7">
    <TD COLSPAN="3" ALIGN="CENTER">
      <A HREF="PhotoAlbumUploadForm.jsp">Upload new photo</A>
    </TD>
  </TR>
</TABLE>
</P>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

The Java, SQL, and HTML statements in the PhotoAlbum.jsp file perform the following operations:

- Declare Java as the script language used in the JSP page. (This line of code is a ISP directive.)
- 2. Provide the prefix and uri attributes. The value of the uri attribute indicates the location of the tag library descriptor (TLD) file for the tag library. The prefix attribute (ord) specifies the XML namespace identifier, which should be inserted before each occurrence of the library's tags in the JSP page. (These two lines of code are Multimedia Tag Library directives.)

- **3.** Declare a method that provides escape sequences to interpret some commonly used special characters in HTML. (This is called a method declaration statement.)
- **4.** Use an HTML table to display the entries of the photos table in the database. (This is an HTML program.)
- **5.** Open the database connection, perform a query on the photos table, and then loop over the retrieved result set.
- Retrieve data from the result set.
- Begin to display the entries in the table.
- **8.** Create a script variable named urlId that points to the image column of the photos table in the database. (This line of code shows the Multimedia JSP tag mediaUrl.)
- Provide a link that points to the URL stored in the script variable.
- **10.** Generate the HTML tag that displays the thumb column of the photos table (see embedImage for information about the HTML output). The HTML <A HREF> tag uses the JSP tag embedImage as the link anchor. (This line of code shows the Multimedia ISP tag embedImage.)
- **11.** End the loop, then close the query and the database connection.

2.2 Media Upload Example

The PhotoAlbumInsertPhoto.jsp file is one component of a sample JSP application that uses tags from Multimedia Tag Library to upload media files into a database. Example 2–2 shows the following tags: uploadFormData, uploadFile, and storeMedia.

Example 2–2 Contents of PhotoAlbumInsertPhoto.jsp

```
[1] < @ page language = "java" %>
<%@ taglib prefix="ord" uri="/Web-inf/intermedia-taglib.tld" %>
<%@ taglib prefix="sgl" uri="/web-inf/sgltaglib.tld" %>
[2] <ord:uploadFormData formDataId = "fd">
[3] <ord:uploadFile
         parameter = "photo"
         fullFileName = "ffName"
```

```
shortFileName = "sfName"
         length = "fLength" >
[4] if (ffName == null | ffName.length() == 0)
    %>
        <jsp:forward
page="PhotoAlbumUploadForm.jsp?error=Please+supply+a+file+name."/>
       return;
      if (fLength.intValue() == 0)
     %>
        <jsp:forward
page="PhotoAlbumUploadForm.jsp?error=Please+supply+a+valid+image+file."/>
       return;
      String description = fd.getParameter("description");
      String location = fd.getParameter("location");
     if ( description == null || description.length() == 0 )
[5]
          description = "Image from file: " + sfName + ".";
          if(description.length() > 40)
              description = description.substring(0, 40);
      }
      java.util.Vector otherValuesVector = new java.util.Vector();
      otherValuesVector.add(description);
     otherValuesVector.add(location);
    응>
    <%String id = "original"; %>
[6] <sql:dbOpen connId = "myConn" dataSource="jdbc/OracleDS"</pre>
                commitOnClose="true"/>
    <sql:dbQuery connId = "myConn" queryId="myQuery" output="jdbc">
        SELECT photos sequence.nextval from dual
```

```
</sql:dbQuery>
    <sql:dbNextRow queryId="myQuery">
        <% id = myQuery.getString(1); %>
    </sql:dbNextRow>
    <sql:dbCloseQuery queryId="myQuery"/>
[7] <ord:storeMedia
       conn = "<%= (oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleConnection)myConn.getConnection()</pre>
%>"
       table = "photos"
       key = "<\%=id\%>"
       keyColumn = "id"
       mediaColumns = "image"
       mediaParameters = "photo"
       otherColumns = "description, location"
       otherValues = "<%=otherValuesVector%>"
    />
[8] <sql:dbSetParam name = "myid" value = "<%=id%>"/>
    <sql:dbExecute connId = "myConn" bindParams="myid">
      {call generateThumbNail(?)}
    </sql:dbExecute>
   <sql:dbClose connId = "myConn" />
  </ord:uploadFile>
</ord:uploadFormData>
<%-- HTML header --%>
<HTML LANG="EN">
<HEAD>
<TITLE>interMedia JavaServer Pages Photo Album Demo</TITLE>
</HEAD>
[9] <META HTTP-EQUIV="REFRESH" CONTENT="2;URL=PhotoAlbum.jsp">
<BODY>
 <%-- Page heading --%>
  <TABLE BORDER="0" WIDTH="100%">
   <TR>
```

```
<TD COLSPAN="2" BGCOLOR="#F7F7E7" ALIGN="CENTER"><FONT SIZE="+2">
      <I>inter</I>Media JavaServer Pages Photo Album Demo</FONT>
    </TD>
  </TR>
 </TABLE>
 < -- Display header and instructions -- %>
<P>
<FONT SIZE=3 COLOR="#336699">
 <B>Photo successfully uploaded into photo album</B>
 </FONT>
<HR SIZE=1>
</P>
<P>
Please click the link below or wait for the browser to refresh the page.
</P>
<%-- Output link to return to the main page --%>
<P>
<TABLE WIDTH="100%">
 <TR BGCOLOR="#F7F7E7">
   <TD COLSPAN="3" ALIGN="CENTER">
 <A HREF="PhotoAlbum.jsp">Return to photo album</A>
   </TD>
 </TR>
</TABLE>
</P>
<%-- Finish the page --%>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

The Java, SQL, and HTML statements in the PhotoAlbumInsertPhoto.jsp file perform the following operations:

- Declare Java as the script language used in the JSP page (JSP directive). Provide the location of the TLD file and the required ord and sql prefix attributes (Tag library directives).
- Create a script variable named fd, which is an instance of the oracle.ord.im.OrdHttpUploadFormData object. (This line of code shows the Multimedia JSP tag uploadFormData.)

- **3.** Create the script variables: ffName, sfName, and fLength, which contain the full file name, short file name, and file length of the uploaded media, respectively. (This line of code shows the Multimedia JSP tag uploadFile.)
- **4.** Provide error checking.
- Generate a default description if no description is provided.
- **6.** Open the database connection, and get the next unique id for the photos table in the database.
- 7. Upload the media data into the image column of the photos table, and the description and location information into the description and location columns of the photos table. (This line of code shows the Multimedia JSP tag storeMedia.)
- **8.** Call a PL/SQL procedure to populate the thumb column of the photos table from the uploaded image column.
- Display a message of success, and then direct the JSP page back to the main page (PhotoAlbum.jsp).

Media Retrieval Reference Information

Oracle Application Server 10g Multimedia Tag Library for JSP ("Multimedia Tag Library") provides media retrieval tags that facilitate generating complete HTML multimedia tags or creating multimedia retrieval URLs for inclusion in the customized use of an HTML multimedia tag. The media retrieval tags are as follows:

- embedAudio
- embedImage
- embedVideo
- mediaUrl

Media retrieval for a multimedia application includes the following tasks:

Generating HTML tags to retrieve or render media data. The generated HTML tags include URLs that retrieve media data.

The following example excerpt is from the PhotoAlbum. jsp file. This example shows the Multimedia JSP tag embedImage.

```
<ord:embedImage dataSourceName="jdbc/OracleDS"</pre>
              table = "photos"
              column = "thumb"
              key = "<%=id%>"
              keyColumn = "id"
              alt = "<%=escapeHtmlString(description)%>"
              border="1" />
```

This example generates the following HTML tag, which includes the URL that retrieves the image in the database:

```
<img src="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=</pre>
```

jdbc%2OracleDS&table=photos&column=thumb&key=1&keyColumn=id&timeStamp=111078 352&ext=.jpg" height=50 width=50 alt="picture1" border="1" />

See Chapter 2 for a complete description of the sample JSP application that uses tags from Multimedia Tag Library to retrieve media data from the database and deliver it to a browser. The browser then displays the media in a simple photograph album application.

Using a media delivery component that retrieves media data from the database and delivers it to a browser. In the previous example, OrdGetMediaServlet is the media delivery component in the URL of the generated HTML tag.

For more general purposes, Multimedia Tag Library can generate HTML tags, with some level of customization capability, for the following media types:

- Images rendered using the HTML tag.
- Audio and video data rendered using the HTML <EMBED> and <OBJECT> tags, where the media data is delivered directly from the database to a browser plug-in or other media player.

Note: For audio and video media data stored in Oracle Database that is accessed and delivered by RealNetworks servers, Oracle recommends using Oracle *inter*Media Plug-in for RealNetworks Streaming Servers rather than Multimedia Tag Library, for better performance.

In addition, Multimedia Tag Library is flexible enough to allow the construction of HTML tags that render media data according to the requirements of the application, while using the tag library to construct media retrieval URLs and deliver the media to the browser.

3.1 Prerequisites

None.

3.2 Reference Information

This section presents reference information on the media retrieval tags that operate on *inter*Media objects.

General Format for Media Retrieval Tags

Format

```
<ord:tagName [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]</pre>
                [ database-connection-attributes ]
                [ media-access-attributes ]
                [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
                [ table-and-column-attributes ]
               [ media-render-attributes ]>
</ord:tagName>
```

Description

Provide the ability to generate complete HTML media tags, such as , or the ability to create media retrieval URLs for inclusion in the customized use of an HTML media tag. The media retrieval tags include the following tags under the prefix ord: mediaUrl, embedImage, embedAudio, and embedVideo.

Media retrieval tags have a set of common attributes, as well as tag-specific attributes that render media. This section describes the following common attributes and their parameters in detail: custom-retrieval-attributes, database-connection-attributes, media-access-attributes, media-cache-control-attributes, and table-and-column-attributes. The media-render-attributes are tag-specific; therefore, they are described in the sections for each media retrieval tag.

Usage Notes

When using media retrieval tags, the following information must be specified:

- Database connection information through which media data is retrieved from the database.
- Table, column, and key information that describes where the media data is to be retrieved from the database.

Thus, either database-connection-attributes and table-and-column-attributes or media-access-attributes must be specified.

custom-retrieval-attributes

Format

```
custom-retrieval-attributes =
           retrievalPath = "string | <%= jspExpression %>"
```

Description

Offer a mechanism to supply the name of an application-specific media retrieval component for applications that require a high level of control over the delivery of media data. This retrieval component becomes part of the generated URL.

Parameters

retrievalPath

The path to the customized media retrieval component. See Media Retrieval URL Format in this chapter for information about the input parameters to the media retrieval component.

Usage Notes

None.

Examples

This example shows how to use the retrieval Path attribute to introduce a customized version of the OrdGetMediaJsp.jsp file, which operates as a media delivery JSP page.

```
<ord:embedVideo { database-connection-attributes }</pre>
                 [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
                  retrievalPath = "customGet.jsp"
                 { table-and-column-attributes }
                 { media-attributes } />
```

database-connection-attributes

Format

```
database-connection-attributes =
           [ dataSourceName = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
        [ connCache = " <%= jspExpression %>" ]
```

Description

Specify the database connection. To retrieve media data from the database and deliver it to the browser, the media delivery component must have access to a database connection. Multimedia Tag Library supports a number of mechanisms for specifying database connection information. Application developers select the appropriate mechanism based on their application requirements and implementation. These mechanisms are as follows:

- Data Source Name OC4J provides built-in support for JDBC data sources. The JDBC connection obtained from a data source must be able to support access to database objects and binary large objects (BLOBs) so that media data can be retrieved from *inter*Media objects in the database. Thus, a native Oracle data source is required.
 - There are a number of native Oracle data sources. However, only data sources that support a connection caching mechanism, such as oracle.jdbc.pool.OracleConnectionCacheImpl, are practical in a production environment. Other data sources, such as those that create a new JDBC database connection for each request to get a connection, will result in extremely poor performance. This will be especially noticeable for pages that include a number of multimedia data items, such as a set of thumbnail images.
- Oracle JDBC Connection Cache In applications that are *stateless* with respect to JDBC connections, JSP pages and JavaBeans can use the Oracle JDBC Connection Cache feature to manage database connections. In this scenario, a JDBC connection is obtained from the cache at the beginning of each HTTP request, and returned to the cache at the end of the request. Multimedia Tag Library provides built-in support for using a connection cache that implements the oracle.jdbc.pool.OracleConnectionCache interface in the media delivery component to retrieve media data and deliver it to the browser.
- The OracleJSP ConnBeanCache JavaBean This JavaBean extends the oracle.jdbc.pool.OracleConnectionCacheImpl connection caching mechanism.

Thus, this connection caching mechanism is supported implicitly as a specific use of the Oracle JDBC Connection Cache.

The specified database connection is used by the media delivery component to retrieve media data from the database.

Parameters

dataSourceName

The name of a JDBC data source that can be retrieved using a default initial Java Naming and Directory Interface (JNDI) context.

connCache

Database connection information in one of the following forms:

- An instance of a class that implements the oracle.jdbc.pool.OracleConnectionCache interface, such as oracle.jdbc.pool.OracleConnectionCacheImpl.
- An instance of the oracle.jsp.util.ConnBeanCache object.

Usage Notes

If you do not specify media-access-attributes, then you must specify database-connection-attributes and table-and-column-attributes.

Examples

This example shows how to use the connCache attribute to specify the database connection.

```
<ord:embedVideo connCache = "<%= albumBean.getConnectionCache() %>"
              [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
              [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
              { table-and-column-attributes }
              { media-attributes } />
```

media-access-attributes

Format

```
media-access-attributes =
                mediaAccessUnit = "string | <%= jspExpression %>"
               [ key = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
           [ rowid = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
```

Description

Simplify the use of the retrieval tags. The information in the following attributes can be specified in the predefined OrdJspTag.xml file: database-connection-attributes, table-and-column-attributes, media-cache-control-attributes, and custom-retrieval-attributes. Then, in the retrieval tags, these attributes can be replaced with media-access-attributes, in which the mediaAccessUnit attribute is used to refer to the information defined in the OrdJspTag.xml file. If the mediaAccessUnit attribute and other attributes (for example: media-cache-control-attributes) are used together, the attribute defined in the tag overrides the attribute defined in the OrdJspTaq.xml file. (See Appendix A for an example of this tag library configuration file.)

Parameters

mediaAccessUnit

A String literal or expression that specifies the name of the access-unit attribute defined in the OrdJspTag.xml file.

key

Row information that works with the media Access Unit attribute to locate the media data in the table.

rowid

Row information that works with the mediaAccessUnit attribute to locate the media data in the table.

Usage Notes

If you do not specify database-connection-attributes and table-and-column-attributes, then you must specify media-access-attributes.

Either the key attribute or the rowid attribute must be specified in the tag.

Examples

This example shows the mediaAccessUnit attribute being used in two ways, first with the key attribute and then with the rowid attribute. The first six lines of code represent a section of the OrdJspTag.xml file in which the access-unit attribute defines photoUnit.

```
<access-unit name="photoUnit"
                 dataSourceName="myMediaDataDS"
                 table="public photos"
                 keyColumn="ename"
                 column="photo"
                      expiration="3600+60"/>
<ord:embedImage mediaAccessUnit="photoUnit">
                key = "SMITH"
              { media-render-attributes }/>
or:
<ord:embedImage mediaAccessUnit="photoUnit">
                rowid = "<%= empBean.getRowid() %>"
              { media-render-attributes }/>
```

media-cache-control-attributes

Format

```
media-cache-control-attributes =
              [ expiration = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
           [ cache = "yes | no | no-remote | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
```

Description

Helps generate the Surrogate-Control response header for Web cache control. This response header allows the original Web server to dictate how surrogates should handle response entities. The value of the expiration attribute in the tag is translated into the Surrogate-Control control max-age directive. The value of the cache attribute in the tag is translated into the Surrogate-Control no-store or no-store-remote directive.

Parameters

expiration

The value in the same format as the Surrogate-Control header's max-age directive: expiration time[+removal time], where expiration time specifies how long the media object can be considered fresh, in seconds. After this time, the cache implementation must consider the cached object stale. removal time is the delay before the object is removed from the cache after the time expires.

cache

The possible values are as follows:

- *no* The no-store directive in the Surrogate-Control response header.
- *no-remote* The no-store-remote directive in the Surrogate-Control response header.
- yes The Web cache is used. If the expiration attribute is not specified, the max-age directive in the Surrogate-Control response header is set as infinity.

Usage Notes

None.

Examples

Example 1: This example shows how to use the expiration attribute.

```
<ord:embedVideo { database-connection-attributes }</pre>
                  expiration = "600"
                [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
                { table-and-column-attributes }
                 { media-attributes } />
```

Example 2: This example shows how to use the cache attribute.

```
<ord:embedVideo { database-connection-attributes }</pre>
                  cache = "no"
                 [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
                 { table-and-column-attributes }
                { media-attributes } />
```

table-and-column-attributes

Format

```
table-and-column-attributes =
                table = "string | <%= jspExpression %>"
                column = "string | <%= jspExpression %>"
               [ key = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
               [ keyColumn = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
           [ rowid = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
```

Description

Specify where the media data is located in the database. There are three ways to identify the media data in the database:

- Use a primary key by specifying the key value with the key attribute.
- Use any column by specifying the column name with the keyColumn attribute and the column value with the key attribute.
- Use a ROWID by specifying the rowid attribute.

Parameters

table

A String literal or expression that specifies the name of the table containing the media data.

column

A String literal or expression that specifies the name of the column containing the media data.

kev

A String literal or expression that specifies the key value to use to fetch the media. The table's primary key is used if the keyColumn attribute is not specified. If the table does not have a primary key, a key column name must be specified with the keyColumn attribute.

keyColumn

A String literal or expression that specifies the column to use to access the media.

rowid

A String literal or expression that indicates the ROWID of the media in the specified table. Specifying this attribute is the equivalent of specifying key="rowid-value" keyColumn="rowid".

Usage Notes

If you do not specify media-access-attributes, then you must specify table-and-column-attributes and database-connection-attributes.

The attributes key, keyColumn, and rowid must be specified in one of the following combinations:

- key
- key and keyColumn
- rowid

Examples

Example 1: This example shows how to use the table, column, and key attributes.

```
<ord:embedVideo { database-connection-attributes }</pre>
                 [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
                 [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
                  table = "emp" column = "photo"
                  key = "<%= empBean.getEmpno() %>"
                 { media-attributes } />
```

Example 2: This example shows how to use the table, column, key, and keyColumn attributes.

```
<ord:embedVideo { database-connection-attributes }</pre>
                [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
                 [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
                  table = "emp" column = "photo"
                  key = "SMITH" keyColumn = "ename"
                 { media-attributes } />
```

Example 3: This example shows how to use the table, column, and rowid attributes.

```
<ord:embedVideo { database-connection-attributes }</pre>
                 [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
                 [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
                   table = "emp" column = "photo"
```

```
rowid = "<%= empBean.getRowid() %>"
{ media-attributes } />
```

media-render-attributes

In the following sections, the media retrieval tags are defined with their specific media-render-attributes.

interMedia supports image, audio, and video data. Thus, the interMedia multimedia retrieval tags support only those media types. No support is provided for other media types, such as text-based or application-specific types, that might be stored in the OrdDoc object type.

embedAudio

Format

```
<ord:embedAudio [ database-connection-attributes ]</pre>
                  [ table-and-column-attributes ]
                  [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
                  [ media-access-attributes ]
                  [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
                  [ height = "number | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ width = "number | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ alt = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ helperApp = "mediaPlayer | realPlayer |
                             quicktimePlayer | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  showControls = "true | false | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ autoStart = "true | false | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [loop = "true | false | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ standby = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
              [ audio = "<%= ispExpression %>" ] />
```

Description

Builds an HTML <OBJECT> tag and <EMBED> tag to embed an audio object in a page. This tag can specify the audio player to be used in the client's browser. It also defines a common set of audio attributes. See Oracle interMedia Reference and Oracle interMedia User's Guide for information about supported audio formats.

Parameters

height

The height of the displayed window, which overrides the default height of the displayed window.

width

The width of the displayed window, which overrides the default width of the displayed window.

alt

Brief alternate text that is displayed when the media cannot be retrieved or displayed.

helperApp

The name of the media player to be used by the browser to play the media. If not specified, the browser default player will be activated. Currently, Multimedia Tag Library supports three major media players: Windows Media Player, RealPlayer, and QuickTime Player. The Netscape browser, however, invokes a media player plug-in based on the MIME type of the media. Thus, the generated HTML tag has no control over the media player that will be invoked by the Netscape browser.

showControls

Attribute that determines whether or not to show the control components of the player.

autoStart

Attribute that determines whether or not to play the audio automatically when it is retrieved.

loop

Attribute that determines whether or not to repeatedly play the audio.

standby

Attribute that specifies what to display when the audio is being retrieved.

audio

An instance of the oracle.ord.im.OrdAudio object. Because Multimedia Tag Library must obtain the audio information from the oracle.ord.im.OrdAudio object, using the audio attribute is the most efficient way to use Multimedia Tag Library in cases where the JSP page has already fetched the row containing the audio object from the database.

Usage Notes

None.

Examples

See the examples in embedVideo.

embedlmage

Format

```
<ord:embedImage [ database-connection-attributes ]</pre>
                   [ table-and-column-attributes [
                   [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
                   [ media-access-attributes ]
                   [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
                   [ height = "number | <%= ispExpression %>" ]
                   [ width = "number | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                   [ border = "number | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                   [ align = "left | right | top | bottom | middle |
                            <%= jspExpression %>"]
                   [ alt = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                   [longdesc = "string | <%= jspExpression %>"]
              [ image = "<%= jspExpression %>" ] />
```

Description

Builds an HTML tag to embed an image in a page. A common set of tag attributes, such as height, width, border, and align are also defined. The generated tag always includes the height and width attributes. If these attributes are not specified in this tag, they are obtained either from the image object specified in this tag, or from the image object fetched from the database.

Parameters

height

The height of the displayed window, which overrides the default height of the displayed window.

width

The width of the displayed window, which overrides the default width of the displayed window.

border

The border of the displayed image.

align

The alignment of the displayed image, which can be bottom, middle, top, left, or right.

alt

Brief alternate text that is displayed when the image cannot be retrieved or displayed.

longdesc

A link to the detailed (long) description of the image, which supplements the brief description provided by the alt attribute.

image

An instance of the oracle.ord.im.OrdImage object. Because Multimedia Tag Library must obtain the image information from the oracle.ord.im.OrdImage object, using the image attribute is the most efficient way to use Multimedia Tag Library in cases where the JSP page has already fetched the row containing the image object from the database.

Usage Notes

None.

Examples

Example 1: This example shows how to use the border, alt, and align attributes in the embedImage tag.

```
<ord:embedImage dataSourceName = "empDB"</pre>
                table = "emp" column = "photo"
                key = "<%= empBean.getEmpno() %>"
                alt = "Employee photo"
                border = "1"
                align = "middle" />
```

The generated HTML tag would be as follows:

```
<img src="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=</pre>
empDB&table=emp&column=photo&key=1&timeStamp=111078352&ext=.jpq" height=256
width=256 alt="Employee photo" border=1 align="middle"/>
```

Example 2: This example shows how to use the height and width attributes to override the actual height and width of the image.

```
<ord:embedImage dataSourceName = "empDB"</pre>
```

```
table = "emp" column = "photo"
key = "SMITH" keyColumn = "ename"
height = "100" width = "100" />
```

The generated HTML tag would be as follows:

```
<imq
src="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=
empDB&table=emp&column=photo&key=1&keyColumn="ename"&timeStamp=111078352&ext=.jp
q"
height=100 width=100/>
```

Example 3: This example shows how to use the image attribute.

```
<ord:embedImage dataSourceName = "empDB"</pre>
                table = "emp" column = "photo"
                 rowid = "<%= empBean.getRowId() %>"
                 image = "<%= empBean.getPhoto() %>"
/>
```

The generated HTML tag would be as follows:

```
<img src="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=</pre>
empDB&table=emp&column=photo&rowid=AAAH2cAABAAAPAxAAA&timeStamp=111078352&ext=.j
pg" height=256 width=256/>
```

where:

empBean: is a JavaBean used to access an employee schema in a database. It includes get() methods that return column values, such as empno as a String object and photo as an OrdImage object, as well as database connection information, such as an OracleConnectionCacheImpl object.

embedVideo

Format

```
<ord:embedVideo [ table-and-column-attributes ]</pre>
                  [ database-connection-attributes ]
                  [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
                  [ media-access-attributes ]
                  [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
                  [ height = "number | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ width = "number | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ alt = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ helperApp = "mediaPlayer | realPlayer |
                              quicktimePlayer | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ showControls = "true | false | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [ autoStart = "true | false | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                  [loop = "true | false | <%= jspExpression %>"]
                  [ standby = "string | <%= ispExpression %>" ]
              [ video = "<%= ispExpression %>" ] />
```

Description

Builds an HTML <OBJECT> tag and <EMBED> tag to embed a video object in a page. This tag can specify the video player to be used in the client's browser. It also defines a common set of video attributes. See Oracle interMedia Reference and Oracle interMedia User's Guide for information about supported video formats.

Parameters

height

The height of the displayed window, which overrides the default height of the displayed window.

width

The width of the displayed window, which overrides the default width of the displayed window.

alt

Brief alternate text that is displayed when the media cannot be retrieved or displayed.

helperApp

The name of the media player to be used by the browser to play the media. If not specified, the browser default player will be activated. Currently, Multimedia Tag Library supports three major media players: Windows Media Player, RealPlayer, and QuickTime Player. The Netscape browser, however, invokes a media player plug-in based on the MIME type of the media. Thus, the generated HTML tag has no control over the media player that will be invoked by the Netscape browser.

showControls

Attribute that determines whether or not to show the controls components of the player.

autoStart

Attribute that determines whether or not to play the video automatically when it is retrieved.

loop

Attribute that determines whether or not to repeatedly play the video.

standby

Attribute that specifies what to display when the video is being retrieved.

video

An instance of the oracle.ord.im.OrdVideo object. Because Multimedia Tag Library must obtain the video information from the oracle.ord.im.OrdVideo object, using the video attribute is the most efficient way to use Multimedia Tag Library in cases where the JSP page has already fetched the row containing the video object from the database.

Usage Notes

None.

Examples

This example shows how to use the embed Video tag with its media-render-attributes. In this example, the helperApp attribute includes all the possible choices of media players.

The following example uses the same JavaBean (empBean) as in the example for embedImage. The three samples that follow show HTML output for the three media players.

<ord:embedVideo dataSourceName = "empDB"</pre>

```
table = "emp" column = "greetings"
key = "<%= empBean.getEmpno() %>"
alt = "Employee greetings"
height = 240 width = 300
helperApp = "mediaPlayer|realPlayer|quicktimePlayer"
showControls = "true"
autoStart = "true"
loop = "true"
  standby = "Loading media player components ..." />
```

Sample Output 1: This example shows the generated HTML tag for Windows Media Player. It uses video data with the file extension .avi, and with the value of the helperApp attribute set to mediaPlayer.

```
<OBJECT
   ID="mediaPlayer"
   CLASSID= "clsid:22D6F312-B0F6-11D0-94AB-0080C74C7E95"
   CODEBASE=
"http://activex.microsoft.com/activex/controls/mplayer/en/nsmp2inf.cab#Version=5
,1,52,701"
  TYPE="application/x-oleobject"
   STANDBY="Loading media player components..."
  HEIGHT="240" WIDTH="300">
   <PARAM NAME="showcontrols" VALUE="true">
  <PARAM NAME="autostart" VALUE="true">
  <PARAM NAME="loop" VALUE="true">
   <PARAM NAME="filename"
VALUE="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=empDB&table=emp&column=greetings&key=1&
timeStamp=111078352&ext=.avi">
   <EMBED TYPE="video/x-msvideo"
          STANDBY="Loading media player components..."
          CONTROLLER="true"
          CONTROLS="ImageWindow, ControlPanel"
          SHOWCONTROLS="true"
          AUTOSTART="true"
          LOOP="true"
          HEIGHT="240" WIDTH="300"
SRC="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=empDB&table=emp&column=greetings&key=1&ti
meStamp=111078352&ext=.avi" >
```

where:

.avi: is the file extension for Microsoft AVI media.

- mediaPlayer: is the value of the helperApp attribute.
- video/x-msvideo: is the MIME type of the media data.

Sample Output 2: This example shows the generated HTML tag for RealPlayer. It uses video data with the file extension .rm, and with the value of the helperApp attribute set to realPlayer.

```
<OBJECT
  ID="RVOCX"
  CLASSID= "clsid: CFCDAA03-8BE4-11cf-B84B-0020AFBBCCFA"
  STANDBY="Loading media player components..."
  HEIGHT="240" WIDTH="300" >
  <PARAM NAME="controls" VALUE="ImageWindow, ControlPanel">
  <PARAM NAME="autostart" VALUE="true">
  <PARAM NAME="loop" VALUE="true">
  <PARAM NAME="filename"
VALUE="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=empDB&table=emp&column=greetings&key=1&
timeStamp=111078352&ext=.rm">
   <EMBED TYPE="audio/x-pn-realaudio-plugin"</pre>
          STANDBY="Loading media player components..."
          CONTROLLER="true"
          CONTROLS="ImageWindow, ControlPanel"
          SHOWCONTROLS="true"
         AUTOSTART="true"
          LOOP="true"
          HEIGHT="240" WIDTH="300"
SRC="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=empDB&table=emp&column=greetings&key=1&ti
meStamp=111078352&ext=.rm" >
  <NOEMBED>
  <P>Employee Greetings.</P>
  </NOEMBED>
</OBJECT>
```

where:

- .rm: is the file extension for RealNetworks Real Video media.
- realPlayer: is the value of the helperApp attribute.
- audio/x-pn-realaudio-plugin: is the MIME type of the media data.

Sample Output 3: This example shows the generated HTML tag for QuickTime Player. It uses video data with the file extension .mov, and with the value of the helperApp attribute set to quicktimePlayer.

```
<OBJECT
   CLASSID= "clsid: 02BF25D5-8C17-4B23-BC80-D3488ABDDC6B"
   CODEBASE= "http://www.apple.com/qtactivex/qtplugin.cab"
  STANDBY="Loading media player components..."
  HEIGHT="240" WIDTH="300" >
   <PARAM NAME="controller" VALUE="true">
   <PARAM NAME="autostart" VALUE="true">
  <PARAM NAME="loop" VALUE="true">
   <PARAM NAME="filename"
VALUE="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=empDB&table=emp&column=greetings&key=1&
timeStamp=111078352&ext=.mov">
   <EMBED TYPE="video/quicktime"
          STANDBY="Loading media player components..."
          CONTROLLER="true"
          CONTROLS="ImageWindow, ControlPanel"
          SHOWCONTROLS="true"
          AUTOSTART="true"
          LOOP="true"
          HEIGHT="240" WIDTH="300"
SRC="OrdGetMediaServlet?dataSourceName=empDB&table=emp&column=greetings&key=1&ti
meStamp=111078352&ext=.mov" >
   <NOEMBED>
  <P>Employee Greetings.</P>
   </NOEMBED>
</OBJECT>
```

where:

- .mov: is the file extension for Apple QuickTime media.
- quicktimePlayer: is the value of the helperApp attribute.
- video/quicktime: is the MIME type of the media data.

mediaUrl

Format

```
<ord:mediaUrl [ database-connection-attributes ]</pre>
              [table-and-column-attributes]
              [ custom-retrieval-attributes ]
              [ media-access-attributes ]
              [ media-cache-control-attributes ]
               id = "string" >
                 tag body...
</ord:mediaUrl>
```

Description

Generates a media retrieval URL object that can be used in the tag body.

Parameters

id

The name of the script variable. The URL of the media objects in the database can be obtained by calling the getUrl() method while using this script variable.

Usage Notes

None.

Examples

Example 1: This example uses the generated URL in the customized HTML tag.

```
<ord:mediaUrl dataSourceName = "empDB"</pre>
               table = "emp" column = "photo"
               key = "1"
               id= "photo" >
```

```
<img src="<%= photo.getUrl() %>" onmouseover="..." ...>
</ord:mediaUrl>
```

Example 2: This example uses the generated URL within the HTML <A> (link) tag to locate an image file in an employee database.

```
<ord:mediaUrl dataSourceName = "empDB"</pre>
              table = "emp" column = "photo"
              key = "1"
                id = "photo" >
    <a href="<%= photo.getUrl() %>"> Click here to view image </a>
</ord: mediaUrl>
```

Media Retrieval URL Format

Format

<mediaRetrievalPath>?<databaseConnection>&<tableInfo>&<columnInfo>&<rowInfo>&<expiration>& <cache>&<updateTimeStamp>&<fileExtension>

Description

Specifies the format of the URL string generated by the media retrieval tags. This URL string is passed to the media delivery component to retrieve the media data.

Parameters

mediaRetrievalPath

The value of the retrieval Path attribute specified in the media retrieval tag. By default, the value is OrdGetMediaServlet.

databaseConnection

One of the following:

dataSourceName=name where:

name: is the Data Source name specified in the tag.

IMConnCacheName=name where:

name: is the Connection Cache name given by the tag library.

tableInfo

table=tableName where:

tableName: is specified in the tag.

columninfo

column=columnName where:

columnName : is specified in the tag.

rowInfo

One of the following, depending on the row information specified in the tag:

- key=keyVal
- rowid=rowidVal

key=keyVal&keyColumn=keyColumnName

expiration

The optional cache control attribute expiration=expirationValue where:

expirationValue: is specified in the tag.

cache

The optional cache control attribute cache=cacheValue where:

cacheValue: is specified in the tag.

updateTimeStamp

timeStamp=timestampvalue where:

timestampvalue: is the last update time of the media object.

fileExtension

ext=.fileExt where:

fileExt: is the file extension of the media.

Usage Notes

The SRC attribute in the HTML , <OBJECT>, and <EMBED> tags, which are generated by the Multimedia JSP tags embedImage, embedAudio, and embedVideo respectively, also follows this format. For more information about these Multimedia JSP tags, see embedImage, embedAudio, and embedVideo.

Examples

See the examples in embedImage.

Media Upload Reference Information

Oracle Application Server 10g Multimedia Tag Library for JSP ("Multimedia Tag Library") provides media upload tags that help multimedia applications to upload media data into the database. The media upload tags are as follows:

- storeMedia
- uploadFile
- uploadFormData

Media upload tags meet the following requirements:

- Make it easier to handle multipart form-data requests.
- Simplify the storage of media data in the database.

Application developers must be able to specify the following information when attempting to upload media data:

- Database connection information through which media data is written to the
- Table, column, and key information that describes where the media data is to be uploaded in the database

4.1 Prerequisites

None.

4.2 Reference Information

This section presents reference information on the media upload tags that operate on *inter*Media objects.

storeMedia

Format

```
<ord:storeMedia conn = "<%= jspExpression %>"
                 table = "string | <%= jspExpression %>"
                 [ key = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                 [ keyColumn = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                 [ rowid = "string | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
                 mediaColumns = "values"
                 mediaParameters = "values"
                 [ otherColumns = "values" ]
                 otherValues = "<%= jspExpression %>" ]/>
where,
values = string | <%=jspExpression%> [, string | <%=jspExpression%>]...
```

Description

Operates within the body of the uploadFormData tag. The storeMedia tag implicitly uses the form-data object created by the uploadFormData tag through the mediaParameters attribute. This tag loads the uploaded media data from the HTML form into the OrdImage, OrdAudio, OrdVideo, or OrdDoc object in the specified table, row, and column in the database. If the specified row does not exist, a new row will be inserted and updated with the loaded data. The transaction commits automatically if autocommit is set to true in the database connection object.

The mediaColumns and mediaParameters attributes allow multiple media data specified in an HTML form to be uploaded into multiple columns in a particular row. The otherColumns and otherValues attributes allow other columns of the table to be updated along with the media data.

After loading the media data in the database BLOB, the tag calls the setProperties() method to set the media properties within the object. If the media format is not recognized by *inter*Media, this tag sets the mimeType and length properties only.

Note: In the case when the specified row does not exist and a new row is inserted into the table, any other columns in the table that are not specified in the mediaColumns and otherColumns attributes must allow the null value.

Parameters

conn

The JDBC connection (java.sql.Connection object) used to store the media data.

table

A String literal or expression that specifies the name of the table containing the media data.

key

A String literal or expression that specifies the key value to use to fetch the media. The table's primary key is used if the keyColumn attribute is not specified. If the table does not have a primary key, a key column name must be specified with the keyColumn attribute.

kevColumn

A String literal or expression that specifies the column to use to access the media.

rowid

A String literal or expression that indicates the ROWID of the media in the specified table. Specifying this attribute is the equivalent of specifying key="rowid-value" keyColumn="rowid".

mediaColumns

The names of the columns to be loaded with the uploaded media data.

mediaParameters

The names of the parameters used to upload the media data, as specified in the HTML form.

otherColumns

The names of the other columns to be updated or inserted in the table.

otherValues

The updated or inserted values of the other columns in the table that correspond to the other Columns attribute. These values must be stored in a java.util. Vector object.

Exceptions

None.

Usage Notes

None.

Examples

Example 1: This example shows how to upload an image to a particular row in the table, and update other columns in that row at the same time.

```
<ord:uploadFormData formDataId="fd">
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     java.util.Vector otherValuesVector = new java.util.Vector();
     otherValuesVector.add(fd.getParameter("desc"));
     otherValuesVector.add(fd.getParameter("loc"));
    <ord:storeMedia conn = "<% albumBean.getConnection() %>"
         table = "photos"
         key = "<%= fd.getParameter( "desc" ) %>"
         mediaColumns = "photo"
         mediaParameters = "photo"
         otherColumns = "Description, Location"
         otherValues = "<%= otherValuesVector %>" />
</ord:uploadFormData>
```

Example 2: This example shows how to upload image and audio data into a particular row in a table, at the same time.

```
<ord:uploadFormData formDataId="fd">
   <%
    java.util.Vector otherValuesVector = new java.util.Vector();
    otherValuesVector.add(fd.getParameter("desc"));
    %>
    <ord:storeMedia conn = "<% albumBean.getConnection() %>"
         table = "photos"
        key = "<%= fd.getParameter( "desc" ) %>"
        mediaColumns = "photo, music"
        mediaParameters = "photo, music"
         otherColumns = "Description"
         otherValues = "<%= otherValuesVector %>" />
</ord:uploadFormData>
```

uploadFile

Format

```
<ord:uploadFile parameter = "string | <%= jspExpression %>"
                [ mimeType = "string" ]
                [length = "string"]
                [fullFileName = "string"]
                [ shortFileName = "string" ]
                [inputStream = "string"] >
   file-information-processing
</ord:uploadFile>
```

Description

Provides access to uploaded file information. This tag uses the object created by the uploadFormData tag implicitly, through the parameter attribute. This tag must be nested within the uploadFormData tag.

Parameters

parameter

The name of the parameter used to upload the file, as specified in the HTML form.

mimeType

The script variable name for the MIME type of the file.

length

The script variable name for the length of the file.

fullFileName

The script variable name for the file's full file name.

shortFileName

The script variable name for the file's short file name.

inputStream

The script variable name for the java.io.InputStream object for the uploaded file.

Exceptions

None.

Usage Notes

None.

Examples

This example shows how to use an uploadFile tag nested within an uploadFormData tag to enable access to various file attributes, including the MIME type, length, and name.

```
<ord:uploadFormData formDataId="fd">
   String desc = fd.getParameter( "desc" );
   String loc fd.getParameter( "loc" );
    <ord:uploadFile parameter = "photo"</pre>
                    mimeType = "photoType"
                    length = "photoLength"
                    fullFileName = "photoFullName"
                    shortFileName = "photoShortName">
                    inputStream = "photoIn">
   The mimeType of the file is <%=photoType%>
   The length is <%=photoLength%>
  </ord:uploadFile>
</ord:uploadFormData>
```

where:

- photo: is the parameter name of the uploaded file in the HTML form.
- photoType: is the name of the variable that contains the MIME type of the media.
- photoLength: is the name of the variable that contains the file length of the uploaded file.

- photoFullName: is the name of the variable that contains the full file name of the uploaded file.
- photoShortName: is the name of the variable that contains the short file name of the uploaded file.
- photoIn: is an instance of the java.io.InputStream object for the uploaded file.

uploadFormData

Format

```
<ord:uploadFormData formDataId = "string"</pre>
             [ releaseFormData = "true | false | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
             [ maxMemory = "number | <%= jspExpression %>" ]
             [tempDir = "string | <%= jspExpression %>"]
    form-data-processing
</ord:uploadFormData>
```

Description

Parses the multipart/form-data HTTP request to provide access to text-based form parameters and the contents of uploaded files transmitted from a browser to a Web server.

Parameters

formDataId

The name of the script variable of type oracle.ord.im.OrdHttpUploadFormData from which the JSP page can obtain text-based form parameters and the contents of the uploaded files.

releaseFormData

Attribute used to retain uploaded media for processing after the end of the uploadFormData tag, such as in an included JSP page or a JSP page to which the request is forwarded. By default, the value of this attribute is true, which releases all uploaded media at the end of the tag. To retain the uploaded media, set the value of this attribute to false. Then, call the release() method in the OrdHttpUploadFormData object to release the resource when the uploaded media is no longer needed.

maxMemory

Attribute that specifies the maximum amount of memory that can be consumed by the uploaded media for one HTTP POST request before storing the media temporarily on disk. By default, all uploaded media is stored in memory until it is loaded into the database by the application and released at the end of the tag. In cases where users may want to upload large media files, such as large video clips, application developers can choose to store uploaded files temporarily on disk, before they are loaded into the database and released.

tempDir

Attribute that lets you override the default behavior. If this attribute is not specified, by default, uploaded media that is stored on disk temporarily is stored in one of the two locations identified by the following properties: javax.servlet.context.tempdir and java.io.tmpdir

where:

javax.servlet.context.tempdir, if present, takes precedence over java.io.tmpdir.

If execution of the JSP page is interrupted before the end of the uploadFormData tag, then any temporary files will be deleted either during garbage collection or when the user's session ends, whichever occurs sooner.

Exceptions

None.

Usage Notes

This tag creates the form-data object, which is an object of type oracle.ord.im.OrdHttpUploadFormData. Access to upload form data is provided by the following methods:

- String getParameter(String name)
- String [] getParameterValues(String name)
- Enumeration getParameterNames()
- OrdHttpUploadFile getFileParameter(String name)
- OrdHttpUploadFile [] getFileParameterValues(String name)
- Enumeration getFileParameterNames()

Examples

This example shows how to use the Multimedia JSP tag uploadFormData to create a form-data object, which the JavaBean called albumBean uses to access the text-based form parameters and the uploaded file content.

```
<ord:uploadFormData formDataId="fd">
  <%
   albumBean.setDescription( fd.getParameter( "desc" ) );
```

```
albumBean.setLocation( fd.getParameter( "loc" ) );
   albumBean.insertNewEntry();
   albumBean.fetchRow();
   albumBean.loadPhoto( fd.getFileParameter( "photo" ) );
   albumBean.updateRow();
   albumBean.commit();
</ord:uploadFormData>
```

Installation and Configuration Information

This appendix provides information on installing and configuring Oracle Application Server 10g Multimedia Tag Library for JSP ("Multimedia Tag Library") within Oracle Application Server and other environments.

A.1 Prerequisites

You must have installed the following products on your system before installing and using Multimedia Tag Library:

Oracle9*i* release 9.2

For information about Oracle9i, visit the Oracle Technology Network Web site

http://otn.oracle.com/index.html

JSP container (OC4J release 2)

For information about OC4J, visit the Oracle Technology Network Web site at http://otn.oracle.com/software/products/ias/content.html

Note: Whichever JSP container you choose, you must install it in the Oracle home directory.

A.2 Installing Multimedia Tag Library

Multimedia Tag Library installation includes three components: a Java class library, a tag library descriptor (TLD) file, and the default media delivery component OrdGetMediaServlet. These three components are packaged in the ordjsptag.jar file.

You can install Multimedia Tag Library either when installing Oracle Application Server or after installing the standalone version of OC4J only. If you install Multimedia Tag Library as part of the installation for Oracle Application Server, the JAR file is automatically copied into the following OC4J directory:

```
<ORACLE HOME>/j2ee/home/jsp/lib/taglib
```

To install Multimedia Tag Library after installing the OC4J standalone, follow the instructions on the Oracle Technology Network Web site at

http://otn.oracle.com/products/intermedia/content.html

A.3 Configuring Multimedia Tag Library

This section describes configuration parameters and deployment configurations that you may need to specify when deploying your application with Multimedia Tag Library.

A.3.1 Specifying the Virtual Path of the TLD File

The Multimedia Tag Library TLD file is included in the Multimedia Tag Library JAR file (ordjsptag.jar). To use Multimedia Tag Library in a Web application ISP page, Web applications must specify the virtual path of the TLD file in the web.xml file for the Web application, as in the following example:

```
<taglib>
   <taglib-uri>
        intermedia-taglib.tld
    </taglib-uri>
    <taglib-location>
        http://xmlns.oracle.com/j2ee/jsp/tld/ordim/intermedia-taglib.tld
    </taglib-location>
  </taglib>
```

In the web.xml file the taglib-uri element is used to identify the tag library. The value of the taglib-uri element must match the value of the uri attribute for the JSP taglib directive in the JSP page for the Web application. The taglib-location element is used to locate the TLD file for the tag library. Its value is the URL where the TLD file is stored.

In the Web application JSP page that uses Multimedia Tag Library, enter the file name intermedia-taglib.tld as the value of the uri attribute for the JSP taglib directive.

A.3.2 Specifying the Media Delivery Component

Multimedia Tag Library provides two media delivery components, a media delivery servlet and a media delivery JSP page. You can specify the media delivery JSP page or use the media delivery servlet by default. Web applications can specify which media delivery component to use by defining the media-retrieval-path element in the tag library configuration file OrdJspTag.xml.

The media delivery servlet, oracle.ord.im.jsp.OrdGetMediaServlet, is packaged and installed with the tag library. It is the default media delivery component. Specify the virtual path to the servlet in the web.xml file for your Web application, similar to the following example:

```
<servlet>
    <servlet-name>oracle_ord_im_jsp_media_servlet</servlet-name>
    <servlet-class>oracle.ord.im.jsp.OrdGetMediaServlet</servlet-class>
</servlet>
 <servlet-mapping>
    <servlet-name>oracle ord im jsp media servlet/servlet-name>
    <url-pattern>/OrdGetMediaServlet</url-pattern>
  </servlet-mapping>
```

The media delivery JSP page, OrdGetMediaJsp.jsp, can be downloaded from OTN. First, define the JSP page in the tag library configuration file. Then, copy it to the JSP directory for your Web application.

Using a JSP page to deliver media data is convenient because it requires no additional configuration beyond copying the supplied page into the application's JSP page directory. For performance reasons, however, it might be desirable, or even necessary, to deliver media data from a servlet, rather than a JSP page.

A.3.3 Authorizing Access to Media Data

All Multimedia Tag Library actions that construct URLs also register table name and column name information within each user session. By default, the media delivery components verify this information when responding to a media retrieval request. If the verification check fails, media retrieval requests are rejected. Such verification ensures that malicious users cannot retrieve media data from any data source, table, or column using user-created URLs.

Some applications need to support general access to specific tables and columns. (For example: Applications where media URLs might be exchanged by users in mail messages might need such access to data.) For these applications, a mechanism is

provided to allow anyone to access columns in tables in specific data sources. This mechanism involves setting the access-control attribute within the tag library configuration file OrdJspTaq.xml.

Note: To use this mechanism, applications must specify database connection information using a dataSourceName attribute in the tag.

A.3.4 Setting Cache Control Attributes

Multimedia Tag Library allows limited setting of cache control attributes. In this version, you can set the max-age, no-store, or no-store-remote directives of the Surrogate-Control header for all media retrieved from a particular named column in a specified table. The values of these directives are specified by the tag attributes expiration and cache.

The precise format for the expiration attribute is:

```
expiration time[+removal time]
```

where expiration time is expressed as the time-to-live (TTL), and removal time is the delay before the resource is removed from the cache after it expires.

Both values are specified in seconds (for example: 1800 or 10000+600).

The value of the cache attribute is no, no-remote, or yes. The values no and no-remote are translated into the no-store and no-store-remote directives in the Surrogate-Control header, respectively. The value yes means that the Web cache is used.

For more information on Oracle Web Cache, see media-cache-control-attributes in Chapter 3 and Oracle Application Server Web Cache Administrator's Guide.

Note: Applications that require more fine-grained control over setting cache control attributes should design their own media delivery mechanism by replacing the default media delivery component. Or, avoid using Multimedia Tag Library for such applications.

A.3.5 Sample Configuration File

Here is an example of the tag library configuration file OrdJspTag.xml. This XML file is application-specific, therefore, place it in the same directory as the web.xml

file for the Web application. The tag library configuration file is read at the first requirement and put into application context for further retrieval.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
<!DOCTYPE ordim-tag-library [
<!ELEMENT ordim-tag-library (media-control?, media-access?, media-player*,</pre>
media-retrieval-path?)>
<!ELEMENT media-control (data-source?)>
<!ELEMENT data-Source (table+)>
<!ELEMENT table (column+)>
<!ELEMENT column (access-control)>
<!ELEMENT access-control EMPTY>
<!ELEMENT media-access (access-unit+)>
<!ELEMENT access-unit EMPTY>
<!ELEMENT media-player (class-id) >
<!ELEMENT class-id EMPTY>
<!ELEMENT media-retrieval-path (#PCDATA) >
<!ATTLIST media-control filtering (true | false) #IMPLIED>
<!ATTLIST data-source name CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST table name CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST column name CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST access-control enabled (true | false) #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST access-unit name CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST access-unit dataSourceName CDATA #IMPLIED>
<!ATTLIST access-unit table CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST access-unit keyColumn CDATA #IMPLIED>
<!ATTLIST access-unit column CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST access-unit expiration CDATA #IMPLIED>
<!ATTLIST access-unit cache (yes no no-remote) #IMPLIED>
<!ATTLIST media-player name (mediaPlayer|realPlayer|quicktimePlayer) #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST class-id clsid CDATA #REOUIRED>
1 >
<ordim-tag-library>
<media-control filtering="true">
  <data-source name="myMediaDataDS">
    <column name="photo">
        <access-control enabled="false"/>
      </column>
      <column name="thumb">
        <access-control enabled="false"/>
      </column>
```

```
<column name="movie">
        <access-control enabled="false"/>
    </data-source>
</media-control>
<media-access>
  <access-unit name="photoUnit"
                dataSourceName="myMediaDataDS"
                table="public photos"
                keyColumn="ename"
                column="photo"
                expiration="3600+60"/>
 <access-unit name="thumbUnit"</pre>
                dataSourceName="myMediaDataDS"
                table="public_photos"
                keyColumn="ename"
                column="photo"
                expiration="3600+60"/>
 <access-unit name="movieUnit"</pre>
                dataSourceName="myMediaDataDS"
                table="public videos"
                column="movie"
                expiration="3600+60"
                cache="no"/>
 <access-unit name="mp3Unit"
                table="musics"
                column="mp3"
                expiration="3600+60"
                cache="no"/>
</media-access>
<media-player name="mediaPlayer">
  <class-id clsid="22D6F312-B0F6-11D0-94AB-0080C74C7E95"/>
</media-player>
<media-retrieval-path>
 GetMediaServlet
</media-retrieval-path>
</ordim-tag-library>
```

The OrdJspTag.xml file provides the media retrieval tags with flexibility and simplicity. This file contains four elements: media-control, media-access, media-player, and media-retrieval-path.

The media-control element is used to control access to the media data. This element is optional. By default, all media data are allowed access only within the session when the media retrieval tags are used. However, to make the media data accessible to all clients outside the session, the application manager can set the enabled attribute of the access-control subelement to false.

The filtering attribute of the media-control subelement can be set to true. Doing so ensures that the media delivery component filters the special characters when HTML files are delivered to the browser.

The media-access element is used to define media access units, thus simplifying usage of the media retrieval tags. This element is optional. Each access-unit subelement defines a media access unit with a name and attributes that correspond to the following media retrieval tag common attributes: database-connection-attributes, table-and-column-attributes, and media-cache-control-attributes. The attributes defined in each media access unit can be overridden by the attributes defined in the media retrieval tag.

The media-player element defines the class identifier (clsid) used in the generated HTML <OBJECT> tag for the media player. This element is defined only when an application wants to use a specific media player in the Internet Explorer browser.

The media-retrieval-path element is used to specify the media delivery component used by Multimedia Tag Library. This element is defined only when an application wants to use a media delivery component other than the default media delivery component (OrdGetMediaServlet).

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Error Messages

This appendix contains information on the errors that can be raised by Oracle Application Server 10g Multimedia Tag Library for JSP ("Multimedia Tag Library"). These errors may be thrown when trying to get the contents of a public object.

Not upload request.

Cause: Upload request was not encoded using the multipart/form-data encoding format.

Action: Use the multipart/form-data encoding format to send the upload request.

Tag <tag name> must be nested within uploadFormData tag.

Cause: The specified tag was not nested within the uploadFormData tag. **Action:** The specified tag must appear in the body of the uploadFormData tag.

No file is specified in form field: <field name>.

Cause: The value of the parameter attribute in the uploadFile tag was incorrect.

Action: Match the value of the parameter attribute in the uploadFile tag to the correct name in the multipart/form-data upload request.

Inconsistent media data and media column(s).

Cause: There was no match between the media data types and the media column(s).

Action: Check the values of the mediaParameters and mediaColumns attributes.

Invalid player: <player name>.

Cause: The specified media player was invalid.

Action: Check the value of the helperApp attribute to make sure it specifies a valid media player.

Incorrect input parameter parameter name for the uploaded file.

Cause: The value of the mediaParameters attribute was incorrect.

Action: Check the value of the mediaParameters attribute.

Incorrect media column to retrieve <column name>.

Cause: The media column type did not match the type specified by the retrieval tag.

Action: Make sure the media column is correct.

Configuration file not found.

Cause: Unable to find the Multimedia Tag Library configuration file.

Action: Check to make sure the Multimedia Tag Library configuration file exists, and is in the same directory as the web.xml file for the Web application.

Access unit <access unit name> not found.

Cause: The specified access unit name was not defined.

Action: Define the access-unit attribute in the configuration file.

No database connection information specified.

Cause: The database connection information was not specified.

Action: Specify the connectionCache or dataSourceName parameter.

Unable to establish database connection.

Cause: No connection information, or incorrect connection information, was provided.

Action: Check the connection information to make sure it is correct.

Unable to get the keyColumn name.

Cause: Unable to get the column name of the primary key.

Action: Make sure the primary key exists or specify the column attribute.

Failed to retrieve interMedia objects.

Cause: An error occurred while trying to retrieve the *inter*Media object from the database.

Action: Check the database to make sure the object exists.

Failed to update interMedia objects.

Cause: An error occurred while trying to update the *inter*Media object from the database.

Action: Contact Oracle Support Services.

Column <column name> is not an interMedia object type.

Cause: The column specified by the mediaColumns attribute was not a valid *inter*Media object type.

Action: Check the value of the mediaColumns attribute.

Table or column name not provided.

Cause: No table name or media column name was provided.

Action: Specify the table name and column name.

Cannot locate the row.

Cause: Unable to locate the row in the table.

Action: Check the value of the key or rowid attribute to make sure it is correct.

Column names and column values are not matched.

Cause: There was no match between either the media column names and their values or the other column names and their values.

Action: Check the values of the following attributes: mediaParameters, media-Columns, otherColumns, and otherValues.

Error reading the configuration file.

Cause: An I/O error occurred while trying to read the Multimedia Tag Library configuration file.

Action: Check the Multimedia Tag Library configuration file to make sure it is a valid XML file that conforms to the rules of the Document Type Definition (DTD) shown in the sample configuration file provided in Appendix A.

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