How to Connect from SAP NetWeaver Developer Studio (NWDS) to Web Application Server (WAS)

Applies to:
SAP NetWeaver Developer Studio (NWDS) version 2.0.7 or 7.0.11 and SAP Web Application Server (WAS) version 6.40.

Summary
SAP NetWeaver Developer Studio is an integrated environment for the development of J2EE-based, multi-tiered business applications. It is based on open-source Eclipse, providing an open and extensible development environment using Java and Web services. SAP has enhanced the standard Eclipse functionality with a comprehensive set of design, construction, and maintenance tools that cover the full software life cycle.

SAP Web Application Server is an SAP delivered homogenous infrastructure for ABAP-based applications as well as for J2EE-based applications. All existing business objects and interfaces can be used the same both in the Java and ABAP environments.

This article is a simple guide to connect WAS from NWDS before going to build or deploy any NWDS application to WAS from NWDS.

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Abbreviation Used

NWDS  Æ SAP NetWeaver Developer Studio
WAS  Æ SAP Web Application Server

Server Requirements

a. SAP WAS 6.4 installed and configured on local or remote machine.

Client Requirements

a. Install J2sdk 1.4.2_15
   http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.4.2/install.html
b. Install NWDS 7.0.11

Client Configuration

Prerequisite

i) WAS Message Server Host Name (say, hdkerpsdf013)
ii) WAS Message Server Port (say, 3601)

Check the Message Server is running from the command
C:\>telnet hostname port (say, C:\>telnet hdkerpsdf013 3601)
If the client has no access to access the service or WAS message server is not running or any network related problems exists then a message will appear at the command prompt
“Connecting To hdkerpsdf013...Could not open connection to the host, on port 3601: Connect failed”
If server is running and you can access the server then a blank screen opens when you execute the above command.
Check your machine has installed with NWDS
From control panel see if NWDS is installed.

Open the NWDS
From Startup/Installed directory open NWDS.

Configuration Steps

i) From NWDS menus go to \textit{Window $\rightarrow$ Preferences}. When you click on Preferences then the following window opens.

![Preferences Window]

ii). Select \textit{SAP j2EE Engine} from the Preferences left side configuration tree.

iii) Select the first radio button (\textit{SAP J2EE engine is installed on remote host}) at the right side of the window.

iv) Put the Message Server Host name and port into the required place. Then apply the value you entered.
[N.B. If you have WAS J2EE engine installed on your local machine then configure it locally selecting the second radio button (*SAP J2EE engine is installed on local host*) same window and put the appropriate values.]

Check NWDS is able to connect to remote WAS J2EE Engine

a. From NWDS menus go to *Window ➔ Show View ➔ J2EE Engine* and click on J2EE Engine.

b. Now the following window displays at the below (default position) of the NWDS

c. Now click on the instances, dispatcher, SDM, server0 on the left side tree and get details status of the instances on the right side of the J2EE Engine window. If you see every instance is green-colored then everything is configured. Now build your application and deploy on the remote server from NWDS.
Related Content

SAP NetWeaver Developer Studio
SAP Web Application Server Overview (on thespot4sap.com)
WAS with ABAP and Java
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