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Creating a PEX Business Operation

PEX is a new InterSystems IRIS feature to allows extends IRIS with existent features from Java or .NET.

It is possible create interoperability inbound and outbound adapters, business services (integrate from external to internal) and operations (integrate internal to external).

To create a PEX component it is necessary import .NET (InterSystems.EnsLib.PEX.*) or Java (com.intersystems.enslib.pex.*) packages and extends or implements the properly class.

In this article I will use my OCP Service. It has a PEX business Operation, see the code:

```
public class OcrOperation extends BusinessOperation {
    // Connection to InterSystems IRIS
    private IRIS iris;

    @Override
    public void OnInit() throws Exception {
        iris = GatewayContext.getIRIS();
    }

    @Override
    public Object OnMessage(Object request) throws Exception {
        IRISObject req = (IRISObject) request;
        String filePath = req.getString("FileName");
        String ocrText = doOcr(filePath);
        IRISObject response = (IRISObject)(iris.
classMethodObject("Ens.StringContainer", "%New", ocrText));
        return response;
    }

    public String doOcr(String filePath) {
        File tempFile = new File(filePath);
        String ocrText = "";
        try {
            if (tempFile.toString().contains(".pdf")) {
                ocrText = extractTextFromPDF(tempFile);
            } else {
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        ocrText = extractTextFromImage(tempFile);
    }
    return ocrText;
} catch (IllegalStateException | IOException | TesseractException e) {
    return e.getMessage();
}
}
}

private String extractTextFromPDF(File tempFile) throws
IOException, TesseractException {
    String ocrText = "";
    // Load file into PDFBox class
    PDDocument document;
    document = PDDocument.load(tempFile);
    // Extract images from file
    PDFRenderer pdfRenderer = new PDFRenderer(document);
    StringBuilder out = new StringBuilder();
    ITesseract tesseract = new Tesseract();
    tesseract.setDatapath("/usr/share/tessdata/"); //directory to trained models
    tesseract.setLanguage("por"); // choose your language/trained model
    for (int page = 0; page < document.getNumberOfPages(); page++) {
        BufferedImage bim = pdfRenderer.
renderImageWithDPI(page, 300, ImageType.RGB);
        // Create a temp image file
        File temp = File.createTempFile("tempfile_" + page, ".png");
        ImageIO.write(bim, "png", temp);
        String result = tesseract.doOCR(temp);
        out.append(result);
        // Delete temp file
        Files.delete(temp.toPath());
        ocrText = out.toString();
    }
    return ocrText;
}

private String extractTextFromImage(File tempFile) throws
TesseractException {
    ITesseract tesseract = new Tesseract();
    tesseract.setDatapath("/usr/share/tessdata/"); //directory to trained models
    tesseract.setLanguage("eng+por"); // choose your language/trained model
    return tesseract.doOCR(tempFile); //call tesseract function doOCR()
}
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//passing the file to be processed with OCR technique
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}
@Override
public void OnTearDown() throws Exception {
    // TODO Auto-generated method stub
}
```

For operations you implement OnInit to initiate Java connection with IRIS and initiate other Java resources, if necessary, and OnTearDown to release resources allocated. Finally you need implement OnMessage, with your source code to the PEX operation, including the code that uses Java frameworks to implement something, in my case de logic to extract text from images using Tess4J framework. This framework uses Google Tesseract to OCR.

To Java connection works, it is necessary configure a Java Gateway into the production with the business operation to allows create a Java proxy context. See my production sample:

```
Class dc.ocr.OcrProduction Extends Ens.Production
{
    XData ProductionDefinition
    {
        <Production Name="dc.ocr.OcrProduction" LogGeneralTraceEvents="false">
            <Description></Description>
            <ActorPoolSize>2</ActorPoolSize>
            <Item Name="OcrService" Category="" ClassName=
"dc.ocr.OcrService" PoolSize="1" Enabled="true" Foreground="false"
Comment="" LogTraceEvents="false" Schedule="">
            </Item>
            <Item Name="JavaGateway" Category="" ClassName=
"EnsLib.JavaGateway.Service" PoolSize="1" Enabled="true"
Foreground="false" Comment="" LogTraceEvents="false" Schedule="">
                <Setting Target="Host" Name="ClassPath">
./usr/irissys/dev/java/lib/JDK18*/opt/irisapp*/usr/irissys/dev/java/lib/gson*/usr/i
rissys/dev/java/lib/jackson*/jgw/ocr-pex-1.0.0.jar</Setting>
                <Setting Target="Host" Name="JavaHome">
/usr/lib/jvm/java-8-openjdk-amd64/</Setting>
            </Item>
            <Item Name="OcrOperation" Category="" ClassName=
"EnsLib.PEX.BusinessOperation" PoolSize="1" Enabled="true"
Foreground="false" Comment="" LogTraceEvents="false" Schedule="">
                <Setting Target="Host" Name="%gatewayPort">55555</Setting>
                <Setting Target="Host" Name="%remoteClassname">
community.intersystems.pex.ocr.OcrOperation</Setting>
                <Setting Target="Host" Name=
```

```
"%gatewayExtraClasspaths">
./usr/irissys/dev/java/lib/JDK18/*:/opt/irisapp/*:/usr/irissys/dev/java/lib/gson/*:/usr/i
rissys/dev/java/lib/jackson/*:/jgw/ocr-pex-1.0.0.jar</Setting>
</Item>
</Production>
}
```

It is important config the classpath to the Java JAR used by your Java PEX app, and set the correct port and Java PEX class name.

See all details into github to my OCR Service. It can be used as a start point to your PEX app.

<https://openexchange.intersystems.com/package/OCR-Service>

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