

Apache News Online: Apache Velocity

Table of contents

16 July 2008 - Apache VelocityTools 2.0 Released.....	2
06 May 2007 - Release of Anakia 1.0 and Texen 1.0.....	2
09 April 2007 - Apache Velocity DocBook Framework 1.0 released.....	3
14 March 2007 - Apache Velocity 1.5 Released.....	3
15 February 2007 - Apache VelocityTools 1.3 released.....	4
07 January 2007 - Apache Velocity moved up to Top Level.....	5

16 July 2008 - Apache VelocityTools 2.0 Released

[The Velocity developers](#) are pleased to make the second beta release of VelocityTools 2.0 available for download. Downloads are available here: <http://velocity.apache.org/download.cgi> Major development in VelocityTools 2.0 has been essentially complete for some time, and the focus is on fixing the remaining bugs, completing the documentation, and providing clear migration paths for users of VelocityTools 1.x. Significant new features in 2.0 include very flexible, composable toolbox configuration (via either java, xml, and/or properties), lazy-loading/initialization of tools, the VelocityViewTag for embedding Velocity within JSP, simplified embedding of VelocityTools in other frameworks, an assortment of new and improved tools, and much more. This should be useable as a drop in replacement for Tools 1.4, with a few minor exceptions where things already deprecated earlier in 1.x have been removed. The 2.x series of VelocityTools also requires both Velocity 1.5+ and JDK 1.5+. At this point, the new tool management and configuration facilities are extremely stable and useable. Documentation has continued to improve dramatically and is nearing completion. There are no open or known bugs in this release nor significant changes anticipated before 2.0 final is released. We are very interested in all feedback regarding Tools 2.0, especially regarding backwards compatibility with apps designed for Tools 1.4 or earlier. We aim to enable a smooth, incremental transition for developers and their applications.

Note:

Apache Velocity -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2008-07-16T02:06:01](#)

06 May 2007 - Release of Anakia 1.0 and Texen 1.0

[The Apache Velocity developer Community](#) is pleased to issue two new releases: Anakia 1.0 and Texen 1.0.

Anakia is an XML text transformation tool based on [Apache Velocity](#) and [Apache Ant](#). It provides an alternative to using Ant's style task and XSL to process XML files. A common use of Anakia is to process xdoc files and create site/project documentation. More information on Anakia can be found here: <http://velocity.apache.org/anakia/releases/anakia-1.0/>

Texen is a general-purpose text generation utility, also based on Apache Velocity and Apache Ant. More information is here: <http://velocity.apache.org/texen/releases/texen-1.0/>

Both Anakia and Texen were previously part of the core Velocity engine distribution

but have been split off into their own packages to simplify maintenance and facilitate different release cycles. To avoid namespace conflict, org.apache.velocity .anakia has been moved to org.apache.anakia and org.apache.velocity.texten has been changed to org.apache.texten.

[-- The Apache Velocity developer community](#)

Note:

Apache Velocity -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2007-05-06T21:12:31](#)

09 April 2007 - Apache Velocity DocBook Framework 1.0 released

[The Apache Velocity developers](#) are very pleased to announce the first release of the Velocity DocBook Framework (DBF).

It is intended to help creating high-quality documentation in the Docbook format which can be used online or as PDF for print out.

Downloads and documentation are available from <http://velocity.apache.org/docbook/>

[-- The Apache Velocity developers](#)

Note:

Apache Velocity -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2007-04-09T13:14:32](#)

14 March 2007 - Apache Velocity 1.5 Released

[The Apache Velocity Team](#) announces the immediate availability of the of Apache Velocity 1.5. This long-awaited release is the first major release of the Velocity engine as an [Apache](#) top level project (TLP).

Apache Velocity is well-known in the Java field as a lightweight, easy-to-use templating library for creating dynamic web sites and performing other text-generation tasks.

Besides improved template syntax and a slew of bug fixes, this release offers a range of features that enhance performance and ease the process of integration with

other applications and web frameworks. A few highlights:

- Improved syntax with new capability for decimal numbers, literal map definitions, multi-line statements, and support for automatic escaping of HTML and other special entities.
- New capabilities to aid integration with other applications and web frameworks, including enhanced error reporting, a new logging subsystem, and a switch to unchecked instead of checked exceptions.
- Correction of several important scalability problems, including a Least Recently Used (LRU) cache implementation and a fix to a nasty race condition that could occur under heavy load conditions.
- Almost all known bugs have been fixed, including issues with macro recursion, a SQL injection vulnerability, several memory leaks and compile-time incompatibilities with Java 1.5 and 1.6.

Detailed release notes are available at:

<http://wiki.apache.org/jakarta-velocity/Velocity15ReleaseNotes>

Apache Velocity 1.5 is downloadable from [the Apache Velocity web site](#).

[-- The Apache Velocity Team](#)

Note:

Apache Velocity -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2007-03-14T03:20:27](#)

15 February 2007 - Apache VelocityTools 1.3 released

[Apache Velocity development community](#) is pleased to announce the release of VelocityTools 1.3.

There have been many improvements made since the 1.2 release. A key focus in this version has been ease of use. We've simplified developing your own tools by eliminating the ViewTool and Configurable interfaces, and we've simplified the syntax for using many of our existing tools within Velocity templates to both save keystrokes and reduce visual clutter.

The distribution also comes with a new *showcase* example webapp that demonstrates many of the uses of the various tools as well as allowing you to interactively play with them. Just download the binary distribution, and deploy the "showcase.war" example to your servlet container to try it out.

Also included are the usual slate of bug fixes, dependency upgrades, entirely new tools, and new functions for existing tools. For a full listing of changes, see the change log.

<http://velocity.apache.org/tools/devel/changes.html>

VelocityTools 1.3 is available in either source or binary form at:

<http://velocity.apache.org/download.cgi#tools>

For more information about VelocityTools go to:

<http://velocity.apache.org/tools/devel/index.html>

[-- Apache Velocity development community](#)

Note:

Apache Velocity -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2007-02-15T10:12:57](#)

07 January 2007 - Apache Velocity moved up to Top Level

Apache Velocity is an Java templating engine. Apache Velocity has moved from [Jakarta](#) to a TLP (top level project -- with its PMC, project management committee) at its new address, <http://velocity.apache.org>.

Note:

Apache Velocity -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2007-01-08T01:01:14](#)