

## 5. Other recipes

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### Assigning section to content

#### Full code

<https://github.com/ezsystems/CookbookBundle/tree/master/Command/AssignContentToSectionCommand.php>

The Section a Content belongs to can be set during creation, using the `ContentCreateStruct::$sectionId` property. However, as for many Repository objects properties, the section can't be changed using a `ContentUpdateStruct`. The reason is still the same: changing a Content's section will affect the subtrees referenced by its Locations. For this reason, it is required that you use the `SectionService` to change the Section of a Content.

#### assign section to content

```
$contentInfo = $contentService->loadContentInfo( $contentId );
$section = $sectionService->loadSection( $sectionId );
$sectionService->assignSection( $contentInfo, $section );
```

This operation involves the `SectionService`, as well as the `ContentService`.

#### assign section to content

```
$contentInfo = $contentService->loadContentInfo( $contentId );
```

We use `ContentService::loadContentInfo()` to get the Content we want to update the Section for.

#### assign section to content

```
$section = $sectionService->loadSection( $sectionId );
```

`SectionService::loadSection()` is then used to load the Section we want to assign our Content to. Note that there is no `SectionInfo` object. Sections are quite simple, and we don't need to separate their metadata from their actual data. However, `SectionCreateStruct` and `SectionUpdateStruct` objects must still be used to create and update sections.

#### assign section to content

```
$sectionService->assignSection( $contentInfo, $section );
```

The actual update operation is done using `SectionService::assignSection()`, with the `ContentInfo` and the `Section` as arguments.

`SectionService::assignSection()` won't return the updated Content, as it has no knowledge of those objects. To get the Content with the newly assigned Location, you need to reload the `ContentInfo` using `ContentService::loadContentInfo()`. This is also valid for descendants of Content. If you have any stored in your execution state, you need to reload them. Otherwise you would be using outdated Content data.

## Creating a content type

### Full code

<https://github.com/ezsystems/CookbookBundle/blob/master/Command/CreateContentTypeCommand.php>

Creating a `ContentType` is actually almost more complex than creating `Content`. It really isn't as common, and didn't "deserve" the same kind of API as `Content` did.

Let's split the code in three major parts.

```
try
{
    $contentTypeGroup = $contentTypeService->loadContentTypeGroupByIdentifier(
'content' );
}
catch ( \eZ\Publish\API\Repository\Exceptions\NotFoundException $e )
{
    $output->writeln( "content type group with identifier $groupIdIdentifier not found"
);
    return;
}

$contentTypeCreateStruct = $contentTypeService->newContentTypeCreateStruct(
'mycontenttype' );
$contentTypeCreateStruct->mainLanguageCode = 'eng-GB';
$contentTypeCreateStruct->nameSchema = '<title>';
$contentTypeCreateStruct->names = array(
    'eng-GB' => 'My content type'
);
$contentTypeCreateStruct->descriptions = array(
    'eng-GB' => 'Description for my content type',
);
```

First, we need to load the `ContentTypeGroup` our `ContentType` will be created in. We do this using `ContentTypeService::loadContentTypeGroupByIdentifier()`, which gives us back a `ContentTypeGroup` object. As for content, we then request a `ContentTypeCreateStruct` from the `ContentTypeService`, using `ContentTypeService::newContentTypeCreateStruct()`, with the desired identifier as the argument.

Using the create struct's properties, we can set the type's properties:

- the main language (`mainLanguageCode`) for the type is set to `eng-GB`,
- the content name generation pattern (`nameSchema`) is set to `<title>`: content of this type will be named as their 'title' field.
- the human readable name for our type is set using the `names` property. We give it a hash, indexed by the locale (`eng-GB`) the name is set in. This locale must exist in the system.
- the same way that we have set the `names` property, we can set human readable descriptions, again as hashes indexed by locale code.

The next big part is to add `FieldDefinition` objects to our `ContentType`.

```

// add a TextLine Field with identifier 'title'
$titleFieldCreateStruct = $contentTypeService->newFieldDefinitionCreateStruct(
'title', 'ezstring' );
$titleFieldCreateStruct->names = array( 'eng-GB' => 'Title' );
$titleFieldCreateStruct->descriptions = array( 'eng-GB' => 'The Title' );
$titleFieldCreateStruct->fieldGroup = 'content';
$titleFieldCreateStruct->position = 10;
$titleFieldCreateStruct->isTranslatable = true;
$titleFieldCreateStruct->isRequired = true;
$titleFieldCreateStruct->isSearchable = true;
$contentTypeCreateStruct->addFieldDefinition( $titleFieldCreateStruct );

// add a TextLine Field body field
$bodyFieldCreateStruct = $contentTypeService->newFieldDefinitionCreateStruct( 'body',
'ezstring' );
$bodyFieldCreateStruct->names = array( 'eng-GB' => 'Body' );
$bodyFieldCreateStruct->descriptions = array( 'eng-GB' => 'Description for Body' );
$bodyFieldCreateStruct->fieldGroup = 'content';
$bodyFieldCreateStruct->position = 20;
$bodyFieldCreateStruct->isTranslatable = true;
$bodyFieldCreateStruct->isRequired = true;
$bodyFieldCreateStruct->isSearchable = true;
$contentTypeCreateStruct->addFieldDefinition( $bodyFieldCreateStruct );

```

We need to create a `FieldDefinitionCreateStruct` object for each `FieldDefinition` our `ContentType` will be made of. Those objects are obtained using `ContentTypeService::newFieldDefinitionCreateStruct()`. This method expects the `FieldDefinition` identifier and its type as arguments. The identifiers match the ones from eZ Publish 4 (`ezstring` for `TextLine`, etc).

Each field's properties are set using the create struct's properties:

- `names` and `descriptions` are set using hashes indexed by the locale code, and with the name or description as an argument.
- The `fieldGroup` is set to `'content'`
- Fields are ordered using the `position` property, ordered numerically in ascending order. We set it to an integer.
- The `translatable`, `required` and `searchable` boolean flags are set using their respective property: `isTranslatable`, `isRequired` and `isSearchable`.

Once the properties for each create struct are set, the field is added to the `ContentType` create struct using `ContentTypeCreateStruct::addFieldDefinition()`.

```

try
{
    $contentTypeDraft = $contentTypeService->createContentType(
$contentTypeCreateStruct, array( $contentTypeGroup ) );
    $contentTypeService->publishContentTypeDraft( $contentTypeDraft );
}
catch ( \eZ\Publish\API\Repository\Exceptions\UnauthorizedException $e )
{
    $output->writeln( "<error>" . $e->getMessage() . "</error>" );
}
catch ( \eZ\Publish\API\Repository\Exceptions\ForbiddenException $e )
{
    $output->writeln( "<error>" . $e->getMessage() . "</error>" );
}

```

The last step is the same as for `Content`: we create a content type draft using `ContentTypeService::createContentType()`, with the `ContentTypeCreateStruct` and an array of `ContentTypeGroup` objects as arguments. We then publish the `ContentType` draft using `ContentTypeService::publishContentTypeDraft()`.