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CICS and Enterprise JavaBeans...
"EJB for Dummies"

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Acknowledgments

Agenda

- Why Java?
- Enterprise JavaBeans Overview
- Why Enterprise JavaBeans??
- Comparison to COBOL
- Mixing EJBs and COBOL

An Enterprise JavaBean

Provides one or more logically related business services (called methods)

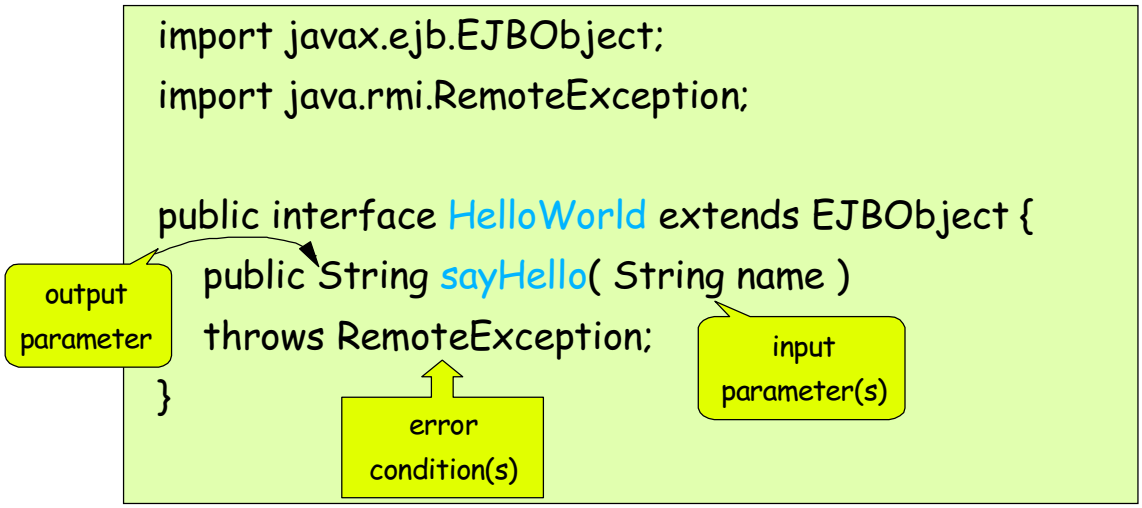
Each method has a defined set of arguments (COMMAREA copybook)

These entry points are declared in something called an *interface*.

EJB vs COBOL

Known by bean name	Known by program name
Many entry points, each with own argument list	Single entry point with defined COMMAREA
Caller uses interface	Caller uses copybook

Remote Interface



Bean Instances

A "bean" is akin to a load module

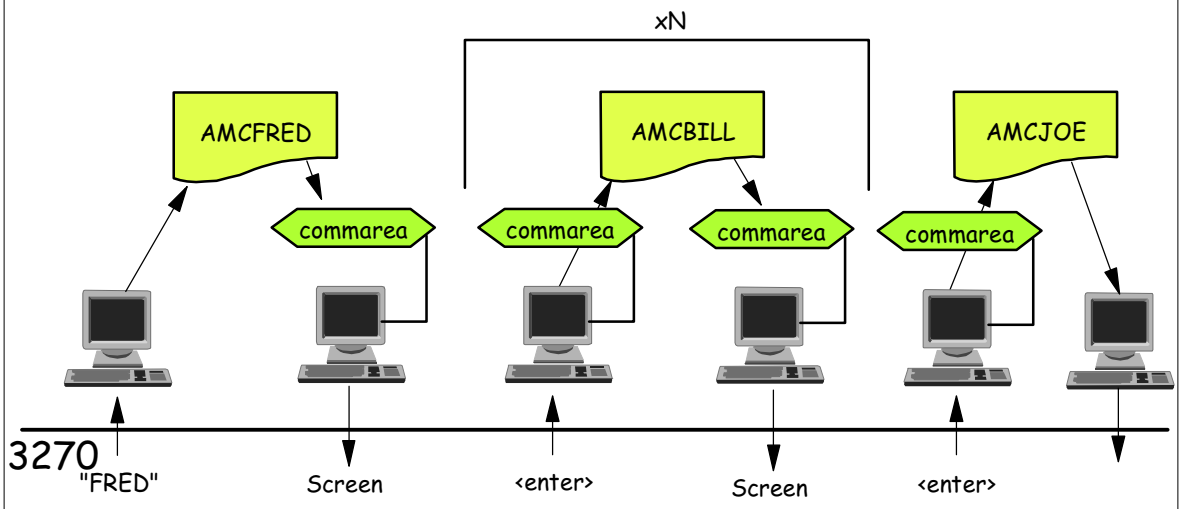
* bytecodes <-> machine instructions

"Instances" of the bean are akin to conversational executions

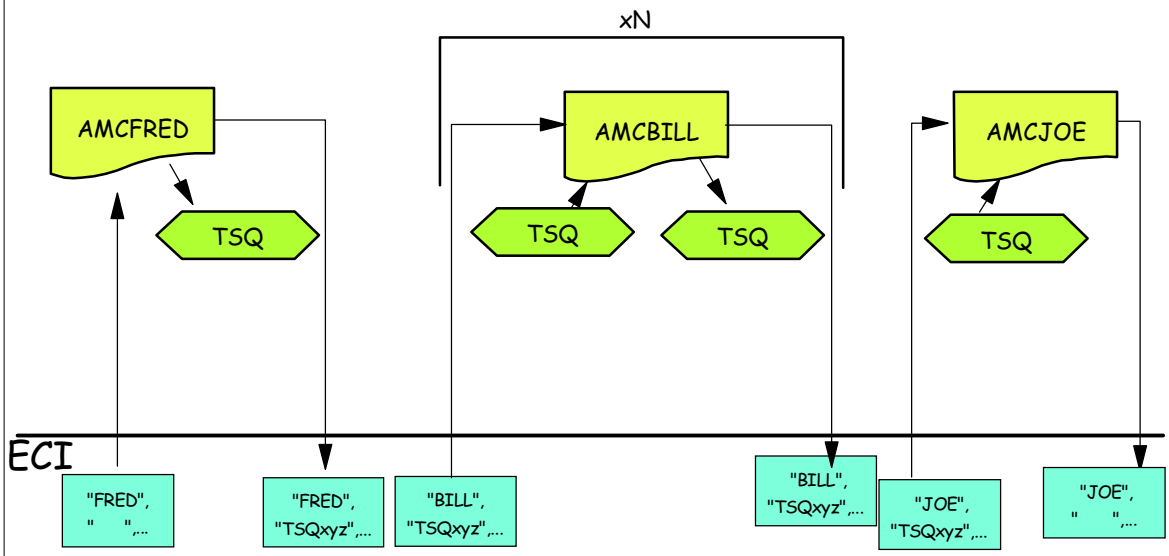
There can be many instances concurrently

* pseudo-conversations

Pseudo-conversations



Pseudo-conversations (ECI)



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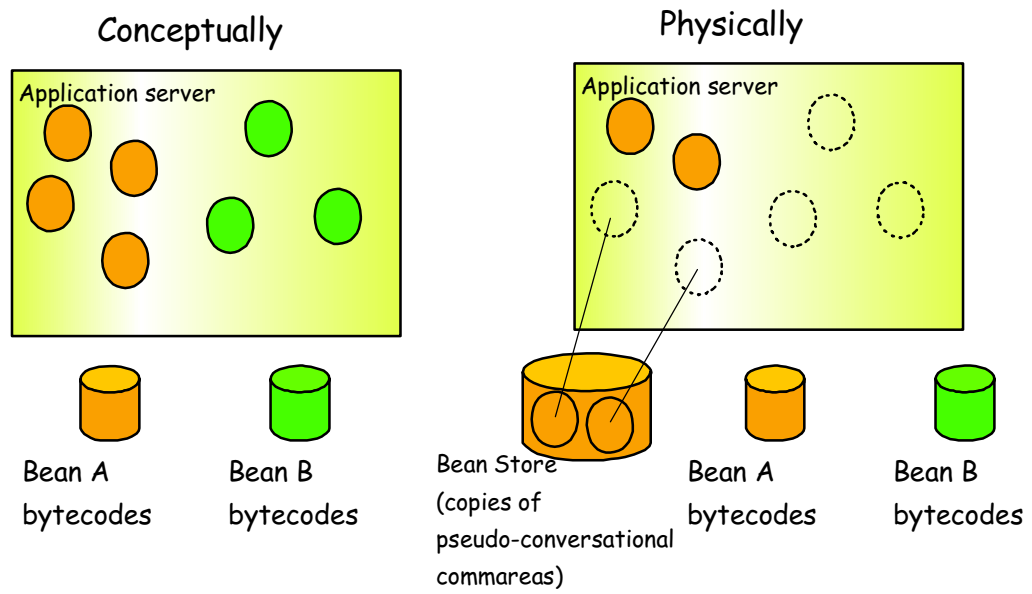


IORs

Each bean instance is identified by an IOR

* analogous to TSQ name

Given an IOR, a client can call the entry points (methods) of the bean instance it represents

Where do IORs (and hence bean instances) come from?

* Bean instances are created by "Homes"

Homes

Every enterprise bean has a Home.

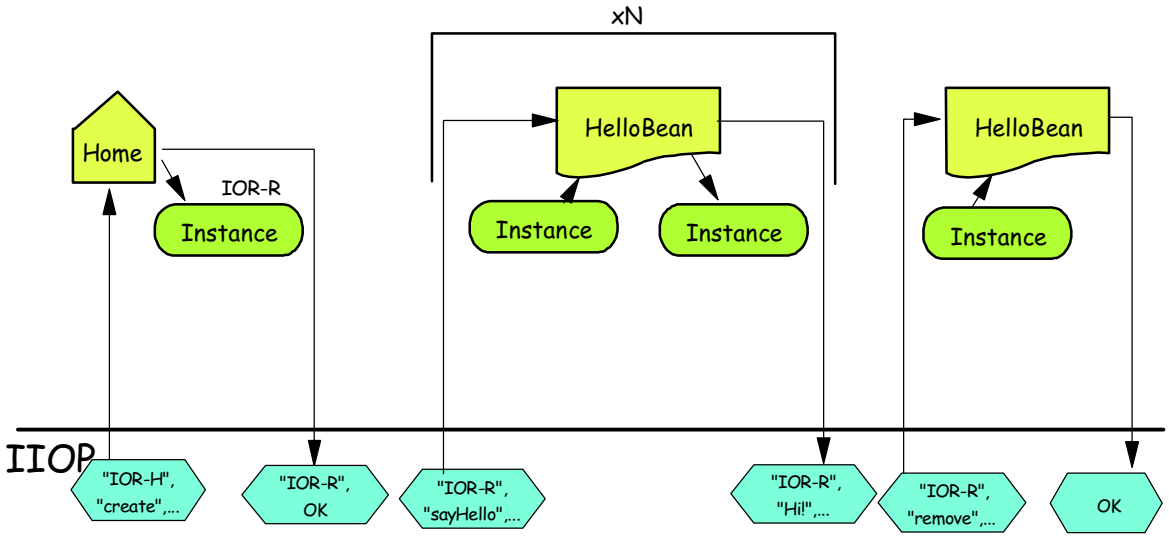
The Home is a special program

* With its own "well-known" IOR

And entry points that create bean instances

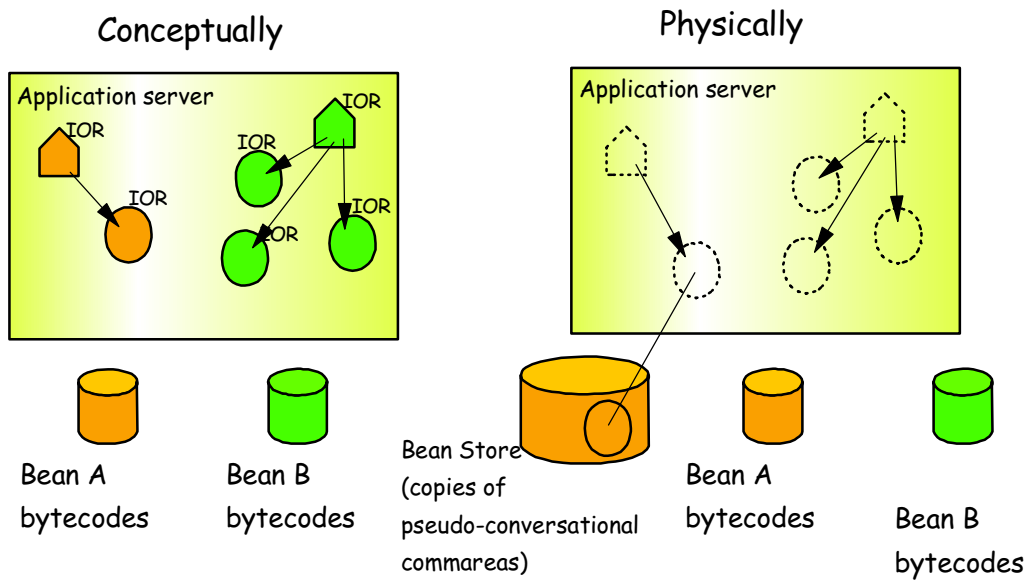
* Returns the IOR for the newly created instance
* Analagous to service creating TSQ names

Pseudo-conversations (EJBs)



ECI	EJB
Initial Tran ID	Home IOR
First program	Home
TSQ Name	Remote IOR
TSQ Items	Instance state
COMMAREA	IIOP message
Subsequent TRANs	Remote methods
Final TRAN	Remove method

Homes


Conceptually
Application server
IOR
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Physically
Application server
Bean A bytecodes
Bean B bytecodes
Bean Store (copies of pseudo-conversational commareas)
Bean A bytecodes
Bean B bytecodes

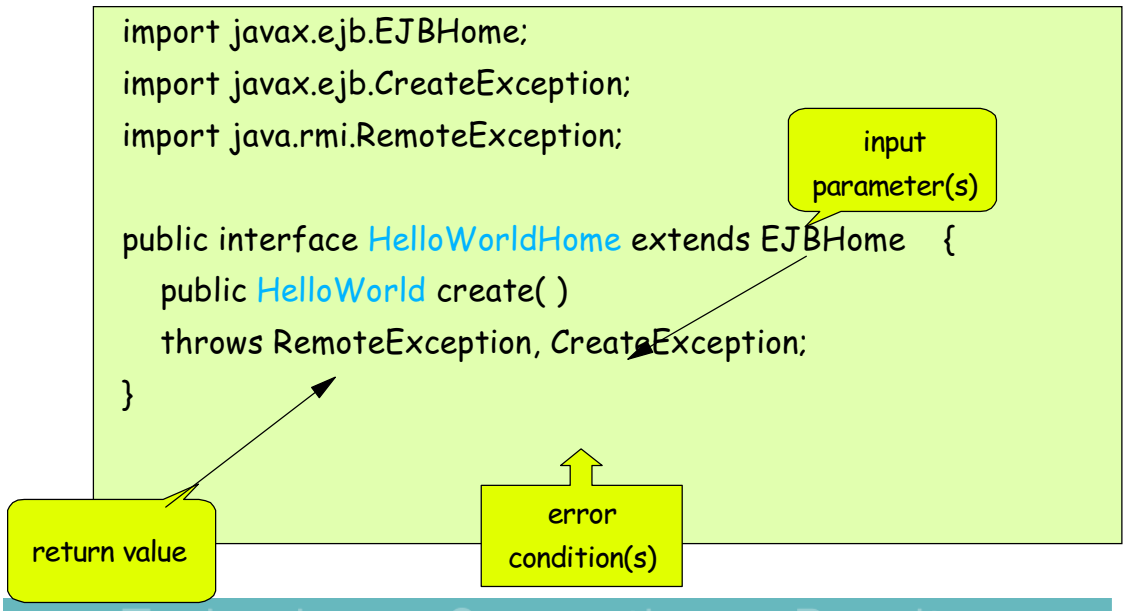
Homes

The well-known IORs of Homes are published externally

* in a directory server (JNDI)

Clients look up the IORs of Homes using the bean name as a key (usually)

Home Interface



Where's the Program Logic??

Developer provides two interfaces (Home and Remote)

Developer also provides enterprise bean class that implements methods on the interfaces

EJB "deployment" tools generate additional "programs" that also implement the interfaces

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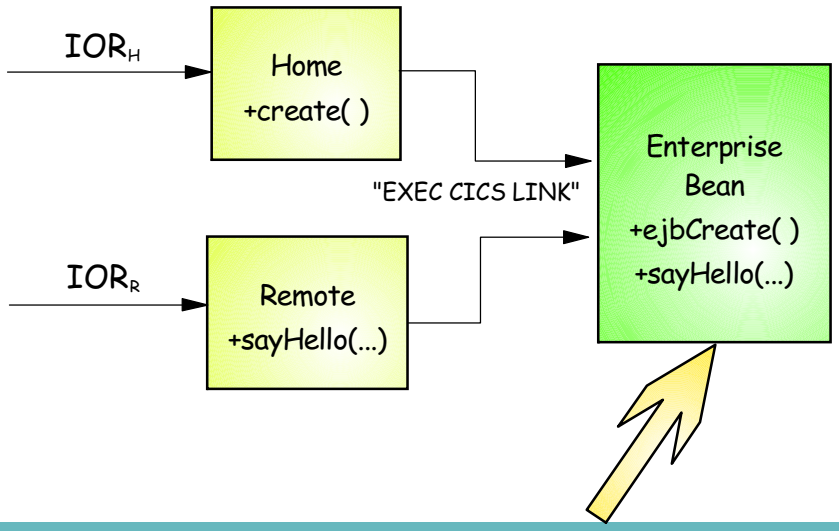


Enterprise Bean


```
import javax.ejb.*;
public class HelloWorldBean implements SessionBean {
    SessionContext sc;
    public String sayHello( String name ) {
        return "hello " + name + "!";
    }
    ...
```

entry point from remote

Enterprise Bean


```
    ...
    public void ejbCreate( ) { }
    public void ejbRemove( ) { }
    public void ejbActivate( ) { }
    public void ejbPassivate( ) { }
    public void setSessionContext( SessionContext sc ) {
        this.sc = sc;
    }
}
```

create method from home

Generated Classes

Generated home and remote programs

* called "classes"

Intercept requests from client

* on way from client to enterprise bean

* on return from enterprise bean to client

Perform EJB container management services

EJB Container Services

Transaction management

Security management

Persistence management

Creation of environment in which bean logic runs

The actions to perform are determined from a side-file called a deployment descriptor

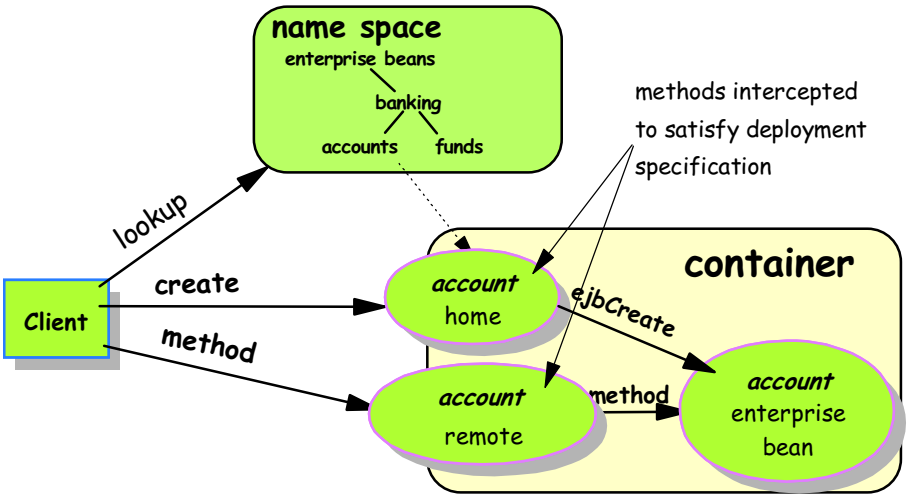
Deployment Descriptor


```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE ejb-jar PUBLIC "-//Sun Microsystems, Inc.//DTD Enterprise
JavaBeans 1.1//EN" "http://java.sun.com/j2ee/dtds/ejb-jar_1_1.dtd">
  <ejb-jar>
    <enterprise-beans>
      <session>
        <ejb-name>HelloWorld</ejb-name>
        <home>HelloWorldHome</home>
        <remote>HelloWorld</remote>
        <ejb-class>HelloWorldBean</ejb-class>
        <session-type>Stateless</session-type>
        <transaction-type>Container</transaction-type>
      </session>
    </enterprise-beans>
  ...
```

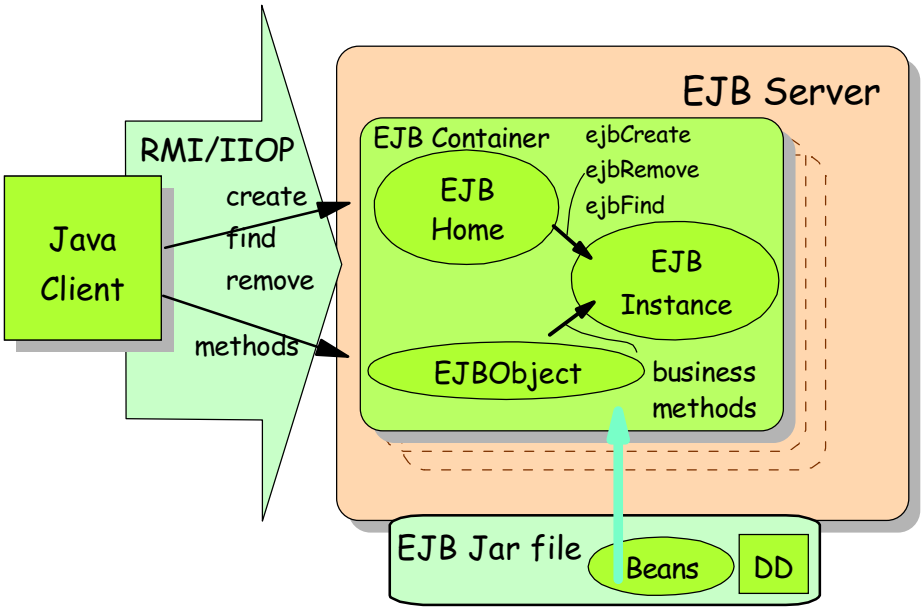
Deployment Descriptor


```
...
<assembly-descriptor>
  <container-transaction>
    <method>
      <description></description>
      <ejb-name>HelloWorld</ejb-name>
      <method-name>*</method-name>
    </method>
    <trans-attribute>Supports</trans-attribute>
  </container-transaction>
</assembly-descriptor>
</ejb-jar>
```

EJB Architecture - Client View



EJB Architecture - runtime



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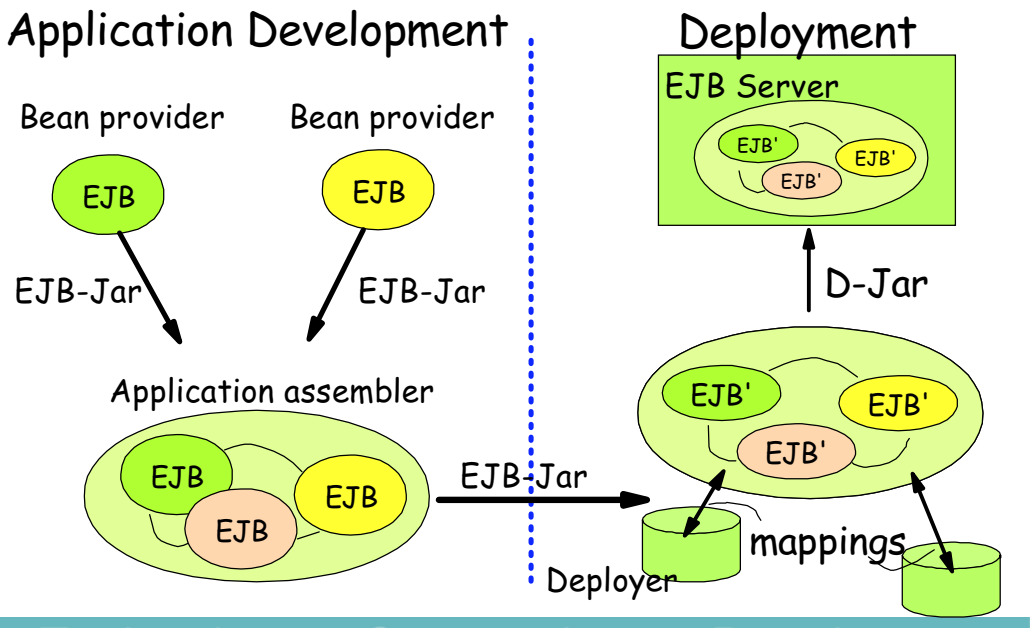

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Types of Bean

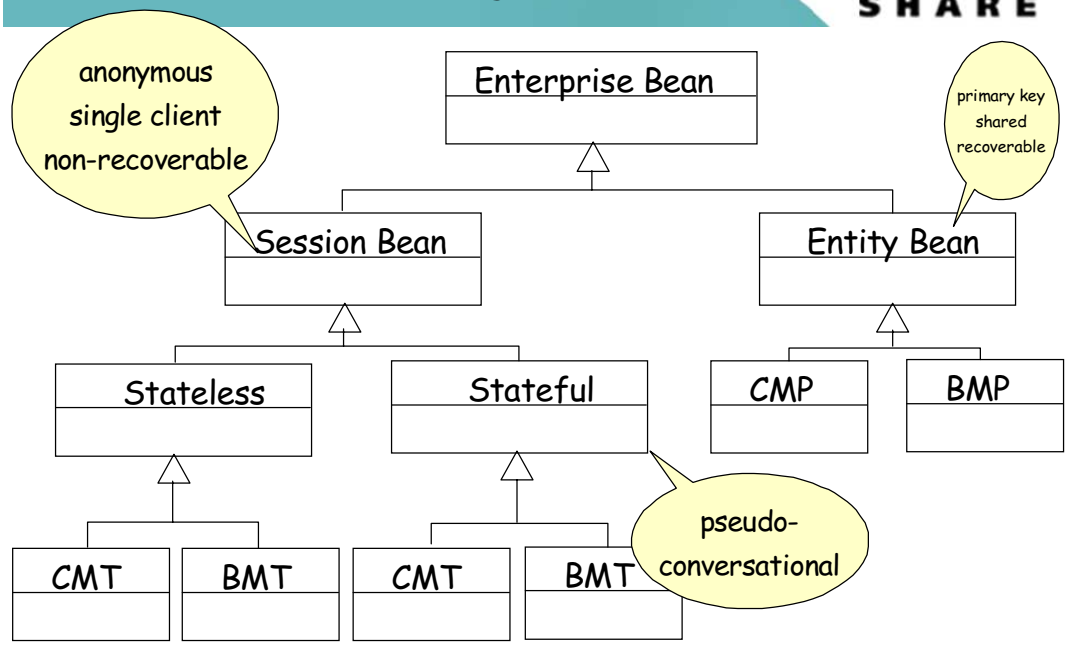
Session Beans

Model tasks - represent a conversation (or session) with a user

Entity Beans

Model resources - provide access to persistent data (typically in a relational database)

Meet the Bean Family...



A Client Program


```
import javax.naming.*;
import javax.rmi.PortableRemoteObject;
import HelloWorld;
import HelloWorldHome;

public class HelloWorldClient {

  public static void main( String[ ] args ) {
     try {
        Context initial = new InitialContext( );
        Object homeObj = initial.lookup(
                                  "ejbs/HelloWorld") ;
         ...
```

A Client Program


```
        ...
        HelloWorldHome helloHome = (HelloWorldHome)
              PortableRemoteObject.narrow( homeObj,
                                    HelloWorldHome.class );

        HelloWorld hello = helloHome.create( );
        System.out.println( hello.sayHello( "Matthew" ) );
    } catch ( Exception ex ) {
        System.out.println( "Failed: " + ex );
     }
  }

}
```

Compile and Run

javac HelloWorldClient.java

java HelloWorldClient

* Hello Matthew!

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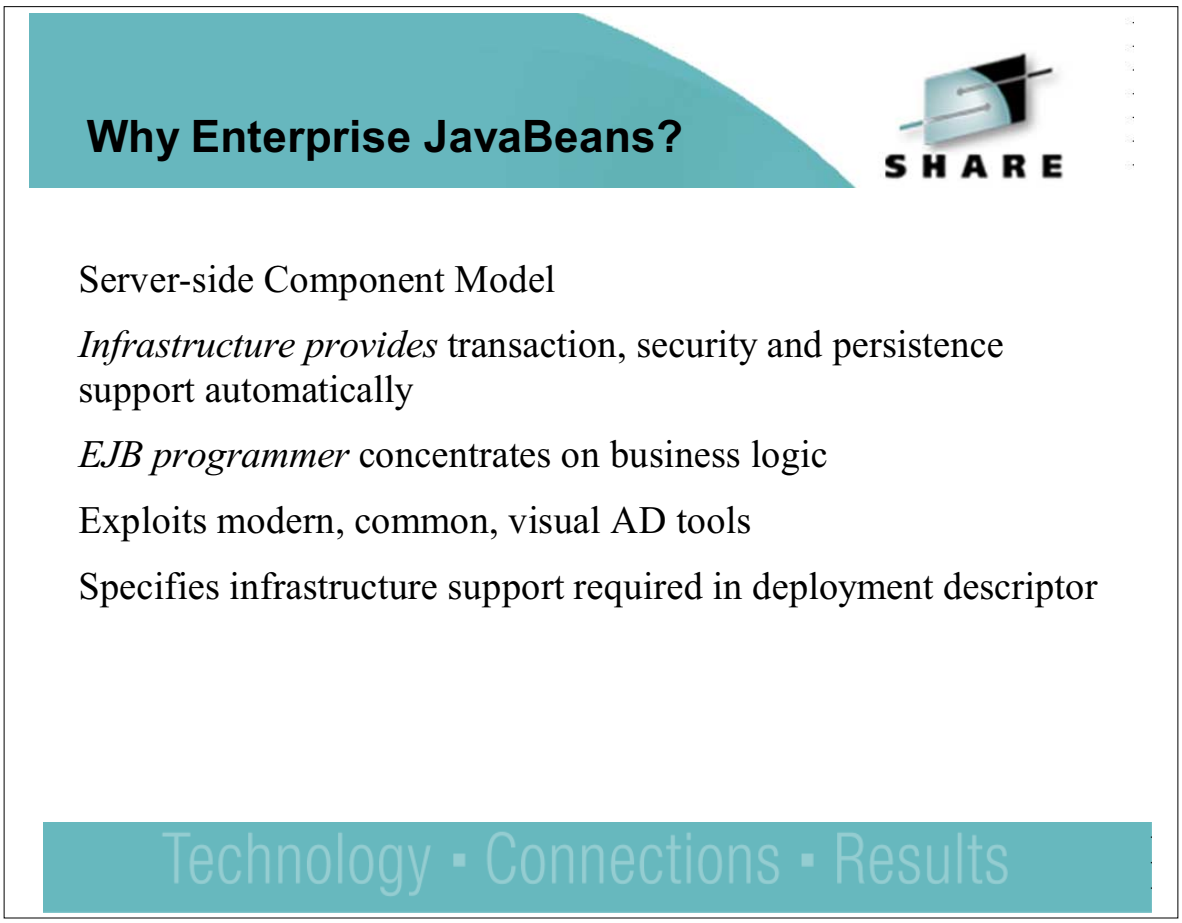
Enterprise JavaBeans Overview

Why Enterprise JavaBeans??

Comparison to COBOL

Mixing EJBs and COBOL



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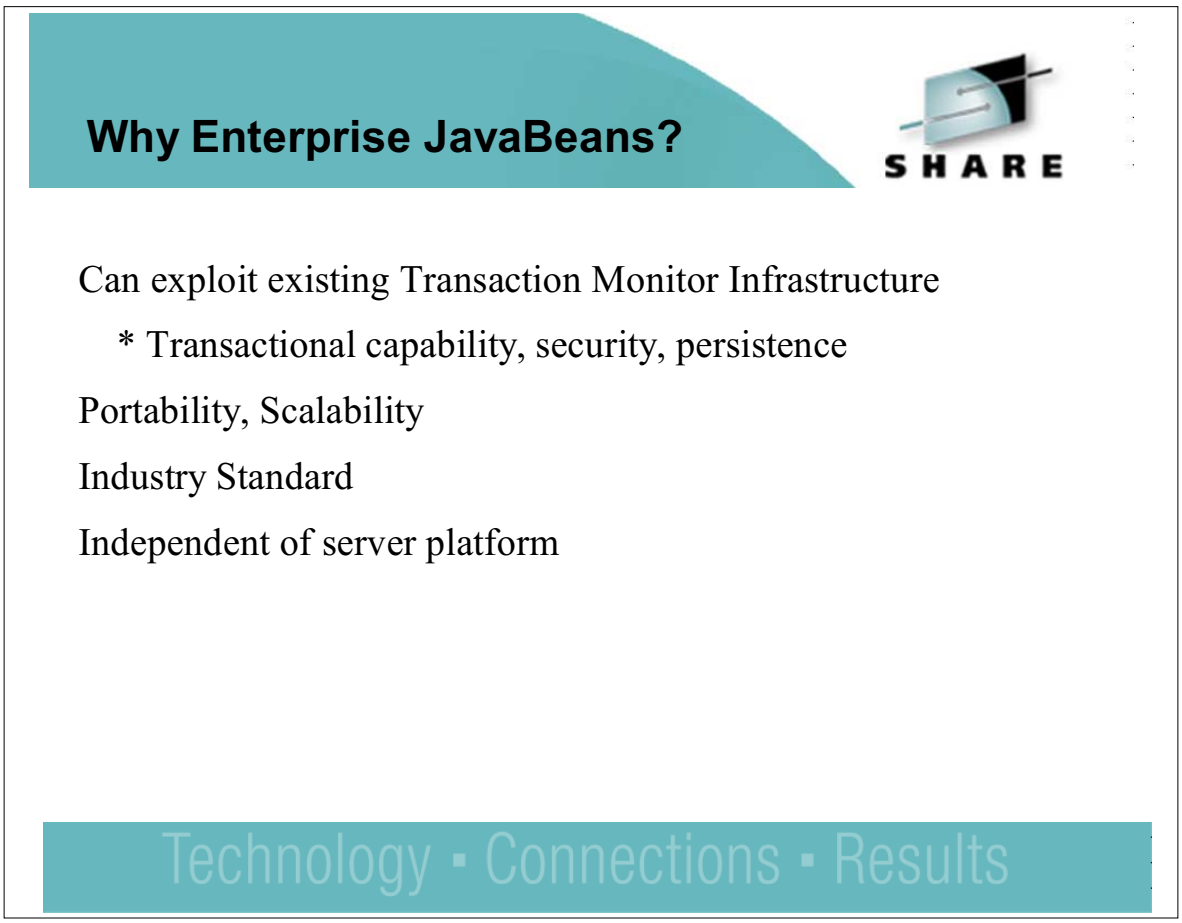

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Enterprise Perspective

Exploit more productive, modern AD tools

Server "components" for scalable business applications

Ease of programming, reusability, visual composition

Write business logic, not system infrastructure

Clear separation of roles

* application programmer, container provider, deployer

Java Perspective

Exploit existing transaction processing systems

Exploitation of existing high-end server platforms

Evolutionary development & integration of existing IT investments

Java gains robustness, performance / scalability, security, transaction management, systems management, ...

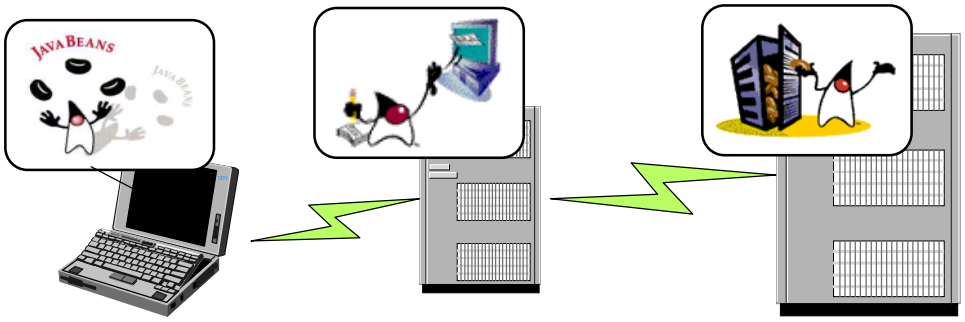
End to End Architecture

SHARE

Client-side presentation

Middle-tier view & controller

Business logic (Model)



Client:
pure HTML (browser)
applets
Java applications

Web (Application) Server:
servlets, JSPs

Enterprise Application Server:
EJBs

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COBOL	EJB
COMMAREA	Method signature
LINK	Method calls
XCTL	-
START	-
EXEC CICS	JCICS
SQL	JDBC
Embedded SQL	SQLJ
Compile, Link	Compile, Jar

Performance?

+25%

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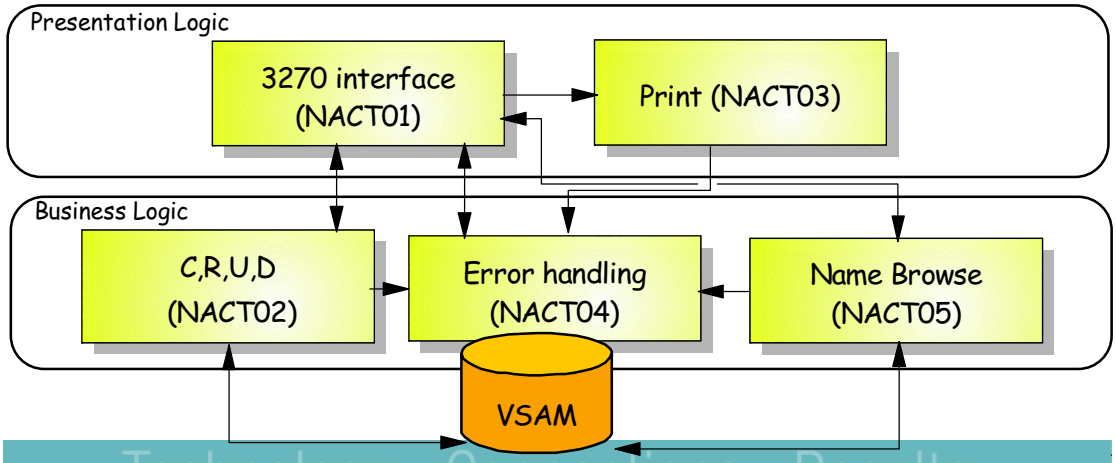
Example

Create, Read, Update, Delete, Browse Customer Account Records.

From "Designing and Programming CICS Applications", Horswill et al. O'Reilly



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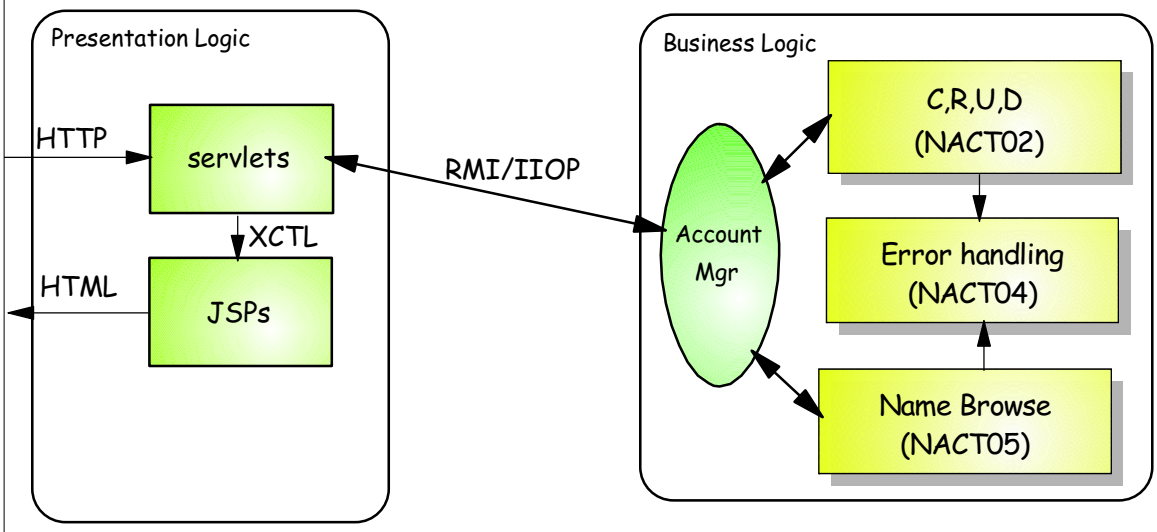
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HTTP
servlets
XCTL
HTML
JSPs
RMI/IIOP
Business Logic
Account Mgr
C,R,U,D (NACT02)
Error handling (NACT04)
Name Browse (NACT05)

AccountMgr


```
public interface AccountMgr extends EJBObject {
    public AccountDetails getAccount( String accountNo )
    throws RemoteException, NoSuchAccountException;
    public String createAccount( AccountDetails accDetails )
    throws RemoteException;
    public void updateAccount( String accountNo,
                               AccountDetails accDetails )
     throws RemoteException, NoSuchAccountException, InvalidAccountDetailsException;
     public void DeleteAccount( String AccountNo )
     throws RemoteException, NoSuchAccountException;
     public Collection findAccountsByName( String name )
     throws RemoteException;
}
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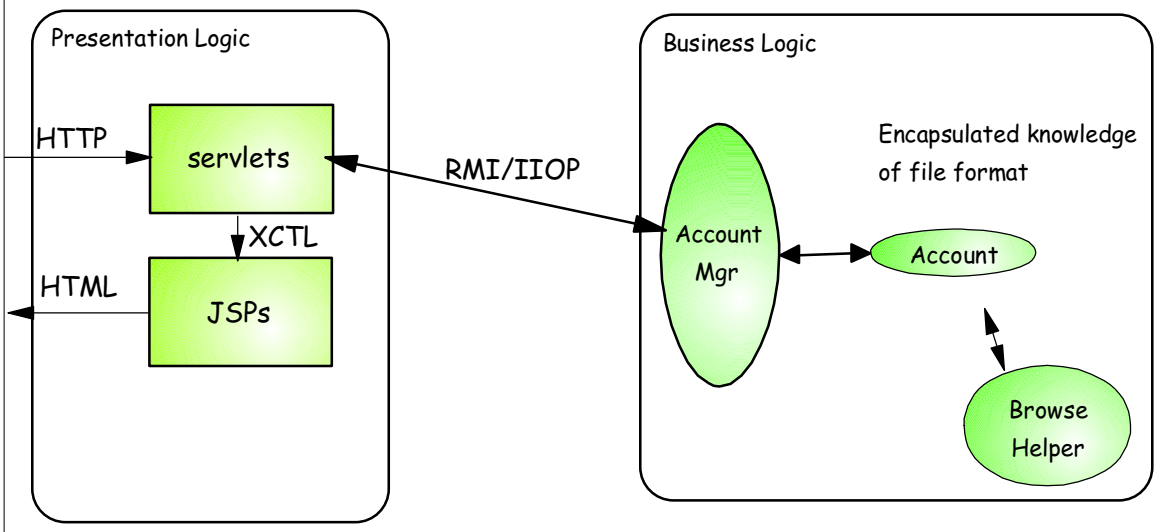
Presentation Logic
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Business Logic
Account Mgr
Encapsulated knowledge of file format
Account
Browse Helper

Summary

Why Java - portability, productivity, skills

Enterprise JavaBeans - pseudo-conversations

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Productivity

* language
* libraries
* tooling

Portability

Skills Availability

Java vs COBOL*

Portability

Syntax (arguably)

String support (arguably)

Date and time support

Internationalization support

Data structures (arrays, vectors, hashtables, collections)

*"Java for S/390 and AS/400 COBOL Programmers", Coulthard et al., IBM Press

Java vs COBOL

Graphical User Interface support

Object orientation support

Thread support

Communications support

User defined functions (called methods in Java)

COBOL vs Java

Performance (esp. database throughput)

Database access support

Batch update support

File sorting support

Access to other languages