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JBossESB

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Overview

- What are the aims behind JBossESB?
  - ✓ Requirements
- Architecture
  - ✓ Messages and services
  - ✓ Interoperability
    - Deployment realities
- What services will we support?
- Standards
- Current status
  - ✓ Rosetta ESB

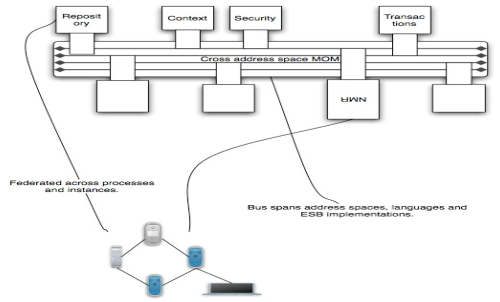
Aims

- To provide the standard OSS infrastructure for SOA
  - ✓ SOA principles first and foremost
- Use SOA principles *internally* as well as *externally*
  - ✓ Everything will (conceptually) be considered as a service
  - ✓ Everything will be replaceable
- Standards compliant
  - ✓ Though requirements live longer

Requirements

- Cannot mandate specific capability implementations
- *All* capabilities accessed as services
  - ✓ Plug-and-play
  - ✓ Extensibility
- *All* capabilities are message based
  - ✓ Including (conceptually) the container
- Standards are important
  - ✓ JBI
  - ✓ Perhaps SCA

Architecture overview



Services and messages

- Everything is a service, including the bus
  - All services are interacted with via messages.
  - Includes service lifecycles
    - ✓ Containers abstracted within architecture
      - ✓ Services plugged directly into a lifecycle bus
  - Services can be plugged into multiple buses concurrently

The SOA Bus

- Underlying the ESB is a messaging abstraction
- Does not mandate implementation
  - ✓ JMS, SOAP, HTTP etc.
    - ESB must be able to support pure-play Web Services deployments
- Capabilities can be provided by multiple implementations
  - ✓ Concurrently
- Support multiple buses
  - ✓ Single bus concept is wrong
    - Biggest problem with old-style EAI

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ESB versus SOA versus EDA

- SOA rules take precedence
  - ✓ EDA is a way of implementing SOA
- ESB is a narrowing of SOA
  - ✓ Mediation not necessary for SOA
  - ✓ Routing not necessary for SOA
    - These are services
- SOA infrastructure first and foremost
  - ✓ ESB "veneer"

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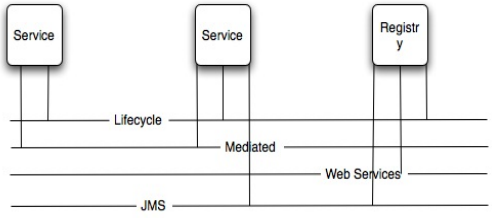
Message view



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JBossESB will provide

- Process orchestration
- Protocol translation
- Adapters
- Repositories (e.g., UDDI)
- Change management (hot deployment, versioning, lifecycle management)
- Quality of service (transactions, failover)
- Qualify of protection (message encryption, security)
- Management (versioning of services)

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Standards

- Important for interoperability
  - ✓ Web Services
  - ✓ JMS
- Important for portability
  - ✓ JBI
  - ✓ SCA
- But
  - ✓ Requirements are more important
    - Standards change!

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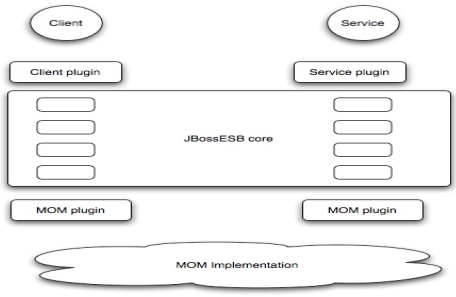
JBossESB architecture



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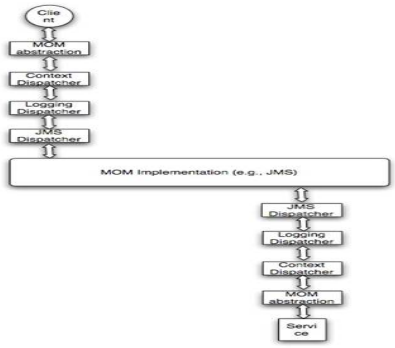
Dispatcher example



Naming and addressing

- Logical and physical names
  - ✓ Logical requires indirection to lookup
- WS-Addressing based
  - ✓ Not dependant on Web Services
  - ✓ Just capabilities
- Registry
  - ✓ JAX-R based

The Message

- Two levels of message
  - ✓ Seen and used by clients and services
  - ✓ Seen and used by the core ESB
- Latter is a superset of the former

```
interface Message
{
        public Header getHeader ();
        public Context getContext ();
        public Body getBody ();
        public Fault getFault ();
        public Attachment getAttachment ();
}
```


Message correlation

- Loosely coupled applications for long duration interactions
  - ✓ "Asynchronous" one-way messages
  - ✓ Improves flexibility
    - E.g., dynamic service deployments
    - E.g., N requests, with just 1 response
  - ✓ Ultimate recipient may not be requester
- Requires message correlation
  - ✓ E.g., sequence number

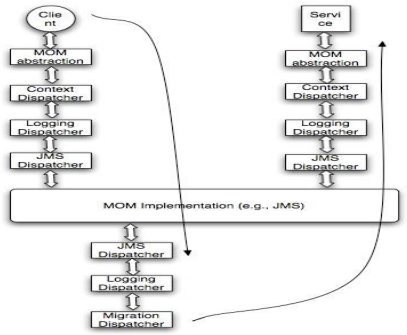
WS-Context

- Context service
  - ✓ Fundamental aspect of WS (and SOA) architecture
  - ✓ Key to loose coupling
- Defines notion of an activity
  - ✓ Unit of work
    - Precise definition left up to higher level services/users
  - ✓ Basic context associated with activity
- Maintains context for each activity
- Context information may contain:
  - ✓ Correlation identifier
  - ✓ Security information
  - ✓ . . .
- Pass by reference or pass by value

Versioning and migration

- Many deployments stay running for weeks/months/years
  - ✓ No quiescent period
- But services need changing
  - ✓ New implementations (e.g., bug fixes)
  - ✓ Different hosting (e.g., reliability)

A “tombstone”



Current status

- Making good progress
  - ✓ Check out the forum
    - Get involved!
- We have many components
- We are collaborating with partners
  - ✓ SOA-within-and-without should help
  - ✓ Best-of-breed approaches to deployments
  - ✓ Talking to partners, customers and vendors
- JBossESB as the unifying infrastructure

Core service requirements

- Container
  - ✓ JBoss Microcontainer default
- Message delivery
  - ✓ JBoss Messaging and Web Services
- Transformations
  - ✓ Smooks, XSLT
- Content-based routing
  - ✓ JBoss Rules, XPath
- Repository
  - ✓ UDDI
  - ✓ Basic contract definition
    - QoS
    - Service versions

Recent news

- JBoss received donation of enterprise-ready ESB
  - ✓ Rosetta
- Used to run 2nd largest Canadian insurance firm
  - ✓ In use continuously for 3 years
    - Build to handle > 10K real-time events/day
      - ✓ Legacy and JEE applications
    - Very few other ESB implementations can say the same thing

Rosetta feature set

- Base transport mechanism
  - ✓ Pluggable
  - ✓ JMS support
    - JBossMQ and MQSeries
- Transformation engine to bridge data formats
- Service registry
- Persisted event repository to support governance
- Notification service to allow the ESB to register events and signal subscribers
  - ✓ Audit trails, reproducing faults etc.

Conclusions

- JBossESB architecture is key to flexibility and future-proofing
  - ✓ Forms the backbone of our SOA strategy
  - ✓ JEMS components are the flesh
- SOA internally as well as externally
  - ✓ Best-of-breed approach
- Interoperability with other ESBs is important

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