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Apache Camel in Action

Common problems, solutions and best practices

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 - ▶ Apache Camel
 - [Apache Camel Committer and PMC chair](#)
 - ▶ Other Apache projects
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- ▶ Which runtime I should use?
 - ▶ Why does my headers disappear?
 - ▶ How to handle (or not) errors in my route?
 - ▶ Why does my routes and contexts have unpredictable names?
 - ▶ How to start/stop or suspend/resume routes at runtime?
 - ▶ How to configure routes at runtime?
 - ▶ How transactions work in Camel?
 - ▶ How to configure transactions in Camel?

 - ▶ Q & A

 - ▶ **Bonus:** How to separate my Camel routes?
 - ▶ **Bonus:** Pipeline vs. Multicast & To vs. InOut/InOnly
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Which runtime I should use?

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▶ Standalone

```
// create a Main instance
Main main = new Main();
// enable hangup support so you can press ctrl + c to terminate the JVM
main.enableHangupSupport();
// bind MyBean into the registry
main.bind("foo", new MyBean());
// add routes
main.addRouteBuilder(new MyRouteBuilder());
main.run();
```

▶ Tomcat, Jetty, ...

▶ Karaf, ServiceMix, ...

▶ Java EE server

Why does my headers disappear?

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- ▶ How does the Camel pipeline work:

```
from("cxf:bean:orderEntry")
  .to("bean:myService")
  .to("cxf:bean:mySoapService")
  .to("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY");
```



- ▶ The outcome of the previous "box" is the input for the next one
- ▶ The pipeline takes care of it
 - ▶ E.g. copy the **out message** of the previous "box" (if present) into the **in message** before calling the next "box".

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- ▶ You set the result in your processor/bean into the **out message** without copy the in headers (and attachments):

```
public class MyProcessor implements Processor {  
  
    public void process(Exchange exchange) throws Exception {  
        Object result = ...  
        ...  
        exchange.getOut().setBody(result);  
    }  
}
```

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- ▶ Set the result into the `in message` and let Camel's pipeline do the work:

```
public class MyProcessor implements Processor {  
  
    public void process(Exchange exchange) throws Exception {  
        Object result = ...  
        ...  
        exchange.getIn().setBody(result);  
    }  
}
```

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- ▶ Or **copy the in message headers** (and attachments) into the out message if the exchange is out capable:

```
public class MyProcessor implements Processor {  
  
    public void process(Exchange exchange) throws Exception {  
        Object result = ...  
  
        if (exchange.getPattern().isOutCapable()) {  
            exchange.getOut().setHeaders(exchange.getIn().getHeaders());  
            exchange.getOut().setAttachments(exchange.getIn().getAttachments());  
            exchange.getOut().setBody(result);  
        } else {  
            ...  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- ▶ Camel supports global (per Camel context) and route scoped error handling
- ▶ By default, Camel use the [DefaultErrorHandler](#) to handle exceptions which:
 - Do not redeliver the exchanges
 - Propagates the exceptions back to the caller
- ▶ Camel also provides the following error handlers:
 - NoErrorHandler
 - LoggingErrorHandler
 - DeadLetterErrorHandler
 - TransactionErrorHandler
- ▶ You can configure the behavior of the error handlers like:
 - redelivery count / redelivery while (Expression)
 - redelivery delay
 - redelivery back off multiplier
 - use the original message
 - ...

- ▶ Configure the DeadLetterErrorHandler as global error handler:
 - The exception will be handled and not propagated back to the caller
 - It will redeliver the exchange at max. 5 times
 - It will wait 1 second for the next redelivery
 - The failed exchange will be moved into the dead letter endpoint

errorHandler(

```
deadLetterChannel("activemq:queue:DLQ")
```

```
.maximumRedeliveries(5)
```

```
.redeliveryDelay(1000));
```

```
from("activemq:queue:start").routeId("route-1")
```

```
.to("bean:service1") // throws Service1Exception
```

```
.to("...");
```

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- ▶ For the next examples, assume we have the following route:

```
from("cxf:bean:mySoapService").routeId("route-1")  
  .to("bean:service1") // throws Service1Exception  
  .to("direct:sub");
```

```
from("direct:sub").routeId("route-2")  
  .to("bean:service2") // throws Service2Exception  
  .to("...");
```

- ▶ Global exception handling:
 - Both exceptions should be handled in the same way
 - Stop to continue routing the exchange
 - The exception should not be propagated back to the caller

onException(Exception.class)

.handled(true)

.to("bean:globalExceptionHandler");

from("cxf:bean:mySoapService").routeId("route-1")

.to("bean:service1") // throws Service1Exception

.to("direct:sub");

from("direct:sub").routeId("route-2")

.to("bean:service2") // throws Service2Exception

.to("...");

- ▶ Global exception handling:
 - Both exceptions should be handled in the same way
 - Stop to continue routing the exchange
 - The exception should be propagated back to the caller

```
onException(Exception.class)
```

```
.handled(false)
```

```
.to("bean:globalExceptionHandler");
```

```
from("cxf:bean:mySoapService").routeId("route-1")
```

```
.to("bean:service1") // throws Service1Exception
```

```
.to("direct:sub");
```

```
from("direct:sub").routeId("route-2")
```

```
.to("bean:service2") // throws Service2Exception
```

```
.to("...");
```

- ▶ Global exception handling:
 - Both exceptions should be handled in the same way
 - Continue routing the exchange
 - The exception should not be propagated back to the caller

onException(Exception.class)

.continued(true)

.to("bean:globalExceptionHandler");

from("cxf:bean:mySoapService").routeId("route-1")

.to("bean:service1") // throws Service1Exception

.to("direct:sub");

from("direct:sub").routeId("route-2")

.to("bean:service2") // throws Service2Exception

.to("...");

- ▶ Route scoped exception handling:
 - Service1Exception should be handled in a different (not global) way
 - Stop routing the exchange
 - The exception should not be propagated back to the caller

```
onException(Exception.class)
```

```
.handled(true)
```

```
.to("bean:globalExceptionHandler");
```

```
from("cxf:bean:mySoapService").routeId("route-1")
```

```
.onException(Service1Exception.class)
```

```
.handled(true)
```

```
.to("bean:service1ExceptionHandler");
```

```
.end()
```

```
.to("bean:service1") // throws Service1Exception
```

```
.to("direct:sub");
```

```
from("direct:sub").routeId("route-2")
```

```
.to("bean:service2") // throws Service2Exception
```

```
.to("...");
```

- ▶ Route scoped exception handling:
 - Service1Exception and Service2Exception should be handled in a different (not global) way
 - Stop routing the exchange
 - The exception should not be propagated back to the caller

```
onException(Exception.class)
```

```
.handled(true)
```

```
.to("bean:globalExceptionHandler");
```

```
from("cxf:bean:mySoapService").routeId("route-1")
```

```
.onException(Service1Exception.class, Service2Exception.class)
```

```
.handled(true)
```

```
.to("bean:serviceExceptionHandler");
```

```
.end()
```

```
.to("bean:service1") // throws Service1Exception
```

```
.to("direct:sub");
```

```
from("direct:sub").routeId("route-2")
```

```
.errorHandler(noErrorHandler())
```

```
.to("bean:service2") // throws Service2Exception
```

```
.to("...");
```

Why does my routes and contexts have unpredictable names?

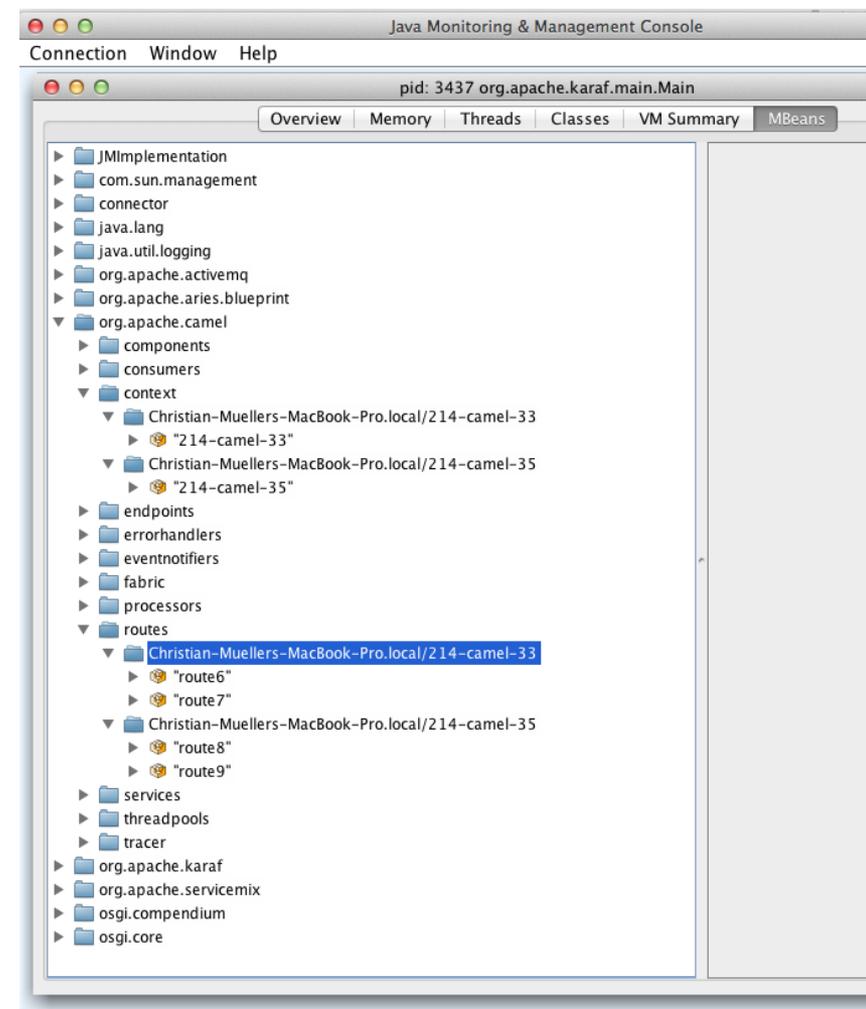
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```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>  
<beans ... >
```

```
<camel:camelContext>  
  <camel:route>  
    <camel:from uri="direct:A"/>  
    <camel:to uri="direct:B"/>  
  </camel:route>  
  <camel:route>  
    <camel:from uri="direct:B"/>  
    <camel:to uri="direct:C"/>  
  </camel:route>  
</camel:camelContext>
```

```
<camel:camelContext>  
  <camel:route>  
    <camel:from uri="direct:C"/>  
    <camel:to uri="direct:D"/>  
  </camel:route>  
  <camel:route>  
    <camel:from uri="direct:D"/>  
    <camel:to uri="direct:E"/>  
  </camel:route>  
</camel:camelContext>
```

```
</beans>
```



Why does my routes and contexts have unpredictable names?

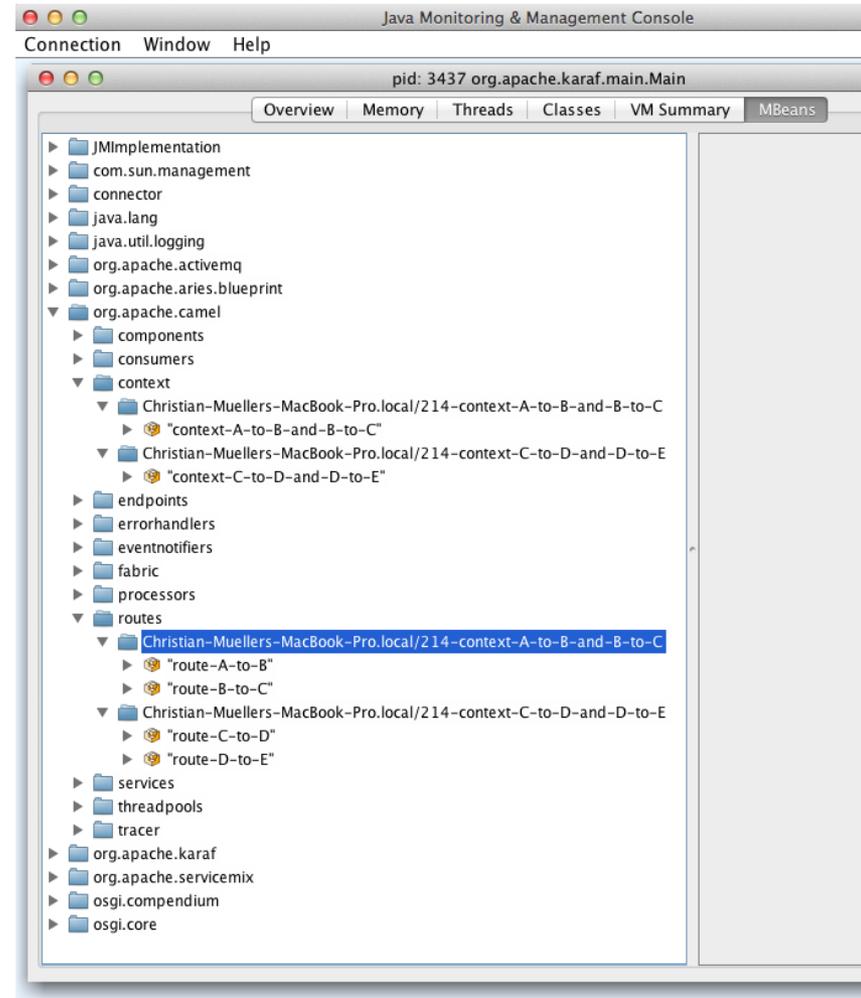
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```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>  
<beans ... >
```

```
<camel:camelContext id="context-A-to-B-and-B-to-C">  
  <camel:route id="route-A-to-B">  
    <camel:from uri="direct:A"/>  
    <camel:to uri="direct:B"/>  
  </camel:route>  
  <camel:route id="route-B-to-C">  
    <camel:from uri="direct:B"/>  
    <camel:to uri="direct:C"/>  
  </camel:route>  
</camel:camelContext>
```

```
<camel:camelContext id="context-C-to-D-and-D-to-E">  
  <camel:route id="route-C-to-D">  
    <camel:from uri="direct:C"/>  
    <camel:to uri="direct:D"/>  
  </camel:route>  
  <camel:route id="route-D-to-E">  
    <camel:from uri="direct:D"/>  
    <camel:to uri="direct:E"/>  
  </camel:route>  
</camel:camelContext>
```

```
</beans>
```



Why does my routes and contexts have unpredictable names?

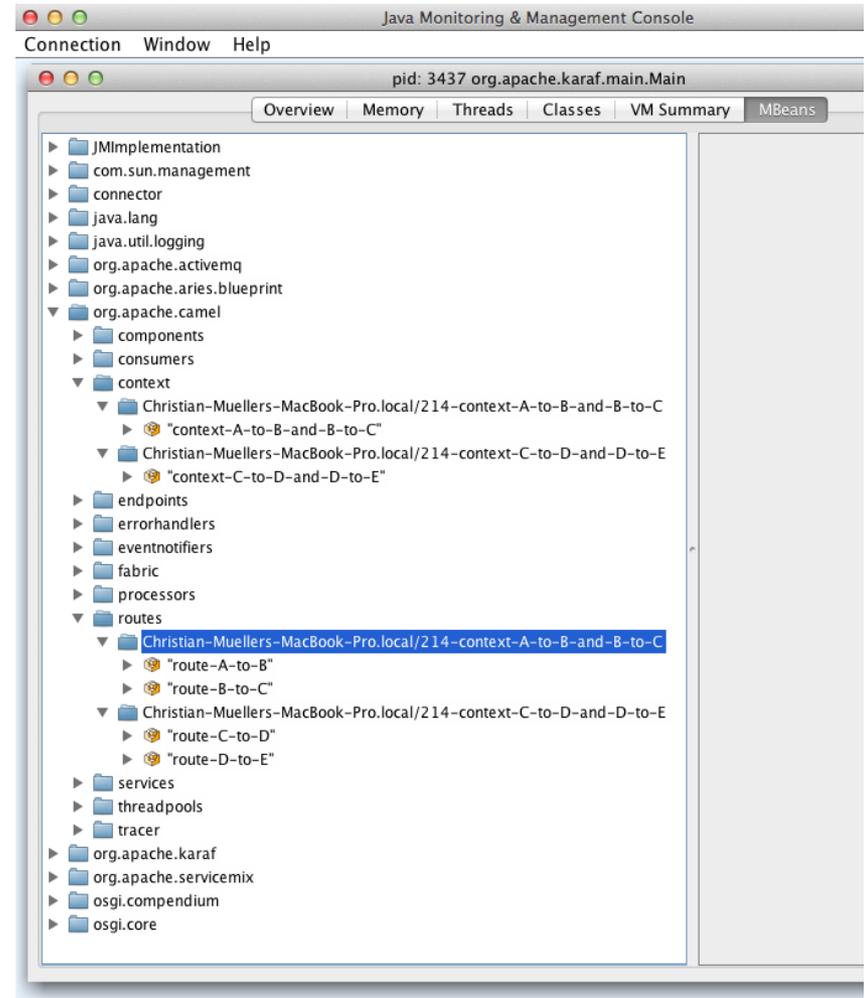
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```
public class SampleRoute extends RouteBuilder {
    public void configure() throws Exception {
        from("direct:A").routeId("route-A-to-B")
            .to("direct:B");
        ...
    }
}

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<beans ... >
    <bean id="sampleRoute" class="...SampleRoute" />

    <camel:camelContext id="context-A-to-B-and-B-to-C">
        <camel:routeBuilder ref="sampleRoute" />
        ...
    </camel:camelContext>
</beans>

public class Main {
    public static void main(String... args) {
        ...
        DefaultCamelContext ctx = new DefaultCamelContext();
        ctx.setManagementName("context-A-to-B-and-B-to-C");
        ...
    }
}
```



How to start/stop or suspend/resume routes at runtime?

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- ▶ Use the [RoutePolicy/RoutePolicySupport](#).
 - ThrottlingInflightRoutePolicy
 - SimpleScheduledRoutePolicy/CronScheduledRoutePolicy
 - create your own RoutePolicy
- ▶ Use the [Camel API](#) (we will see it later).

```
public interface RoutePolicy {  
    void onInit(Route route);  
    void onRemove(Route route);  
    void onStart(Route route);  
    void onStop(Route route);  
    void onSuspend(Route route);  
    void onResume(Route route);  
    void onExchangeBegin(Route route, Exchange exchange);  
    void onExchangeDone(Route route, Exchange exchange);  
}
```

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- ▶ Assume the following requirement for your scheduled route:
 - The route has to be scheduled from an external scheduler via JMS command messages.

```
RoutePolicy policy = new MyCustomRoutePolicy("activemq:queue:command");
```

```
from("seda:start").routeId("scheduledRoute")
```

```
  .noAutoStartup()
```

```
  .routePolicy(policy)
```

```
  ...
```

```
  .to("mock:end");
```

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```
public class MyCustomRoutePolicy extends RoutePolicySupport {  
  private String endpointUrl;  
  public MyCustomRoutePolicy(String endpointUrl) {  
    this.endpointUrl = endpointUrl;  
  }  
  public void onInit(final Route route) {  
    CamelContext camelContext = route.getRouteContext().getCamelContext();  
    Endpoint endpoint = camelContext.getEndpoint(endpointUrl);  
    endpoint.createConsumer(new Processor() {  
      public void process(Exchange exchange) throws Exception {  
        String command = exchange.getIn().getBody(String.class);  
        if ("start".equals(command)) {  
          startRoute(route);  
        } else if ("resume".equals(command)) {  
          resumeRoute(route);  
        } else if ("stop".equals(command)) {  
          stopRoute(route);  
        } else if ("suspend".equals(command)) {  
          suspendRoute(route);  
        }  
      }).start();  
    }  
  }
```

- ▶ Camel has a **Java API** which allows you to add/modify/remove routes at runtime
 - `context.addRoutes(routeBuilderInterface)`
 - `context.getRoute("routeId")`
 - `context.removeRoute("routeId")`

- ▶ And as mentioned before also to start/stop and resume/suspend routes
 - `context.startRoute("routeId")`
 - `context.stopRoute("routeId")`
 - `context.resumeRoute("routeId")`
 - `context.suspendRoute("routeId");`

How to configure routes at runtime?

Sample 1

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- ▶ Modifying endpoints at runtime:

```
from("cxf:bean:ORDER_ENTRY").routeId("orderEntrySOAP")  
  ...  
  .setHeader("ENQUEUE_TIME", System.currentTimeMillis())  
  .to("seda:ORDER_ENTRY")  
  
from("seda:ORDER_ENTRY").routeId("orderEntry")  
  .setHeader("DEQUEUE_TIME", System.currentTimeMillis())  
  .to("bean:orderEntryService?method=timeConsumingProcessing")  
  .to("bean:performanceMonitor?method=adjustConcurrentConsumers");
```

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```
public class PerformanceMonitor {  
  
public void adjustConcurrentConsumers(Exchange exchange) throws Exception {  
    long enqueueTime = exchange.getIn().getHeader(" ENQUEUE_TIME", Long.class);  
    long dequeueTime = exchange.getIn().getHeader(" DEQUEUE_TIME", Long.class);  
  
    if ((dequeueTime - enqueueTime) > 5000) {  
        CamelContext context = exchange.getContext();  
        // only stopping/starting the consumer doesn't work (yet)  
        context.stopRoute("orderEntry");  
        Route orderEntryRoute = context.getRoute("orderEntry");  
        SedaEndpoint endpoint = (SedaEndpoint) orderEntryRoute.getEndpoint();  
        int consumerCount = endpoint.getConcurrentConsumers();  
        endpoint.setConcurrentConsumers(consumerCount * 2);  
        context.startRoute("orderEntry");  
    }  
    }  
}
```

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Sample 2

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- ▶ Dedicated processing route per customer in a static fashion:

```
from("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY").routeId("orderEntry")
  .routingSlip(simple("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY.${header.COMPANY}"))
  .end();
```

```
from("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY.BANK1").routeId("orderEntryBank1")
  .to("bean:orderEntryService?method=timeConsumingProcessing")
```

```
...
  .end();
```

```
...
```

```
from("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY.BANK9").routeId("orderEntryBank9")
  .to("bean:orderEntryService?method=timeConsumingProcessing")
```

```
...
  .end();
```

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Sample 2

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- ▶ Dedicated processing route per customer in a dynamic fashion:

```
from("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY").routeId("orderEntry")
  .process(new DynamicRouteBuilderProcessor())
  .routingSlip(simple("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY.${header.COMPANY}"))
  .end();
```

```
public class DynamicProcessor implements Processor {
  public void process(final Exchange exchange) throws Exception {
    final String company = exchange.getIn().getHeader("COMPANY", String.class);
    Route route = exchange.getContext().getRoute("orderEntry" + company);
    if (route == null) {
      exchange.getContext().addRoutes(new RouteBuilder() {
        public void configure() throws Exception {
          from("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY." + company).routeId("orderEntry" + company)
            .to("bean:orderEntryService?method=timeConsumingProcessing")
        }
      });
    }
  }
}
```

- ▶ **NOT** all Camel components are transaction aware!

- ▶ Components which supports transactions are:
 - SQL component
 - Ibatis/MyBatis component
 - JPA component
 - Hibernate component
 - JMS component
 - ActiveMQ component
 - SJMS component (Camel 2.11.0)

- ▶ Components which mimic transaction behavior:
 - File component
 - FTP/SFTP/FTPS component
 - others...

- ▶ Camels transaction support leverages on Springs [PlatformTransactionManager](#) interface
 - DataSourceTransactionManager
 - JmsTransactionManager
 - JpaTransactionManager/HibernateTransactionManager
 - JtaTransactionManager
 - and others ...
- ▶ **Important:** One transaction is associated with a single thread of execution!
 - If you use "seda", "vm", "jms" or any other protocol in your sub route which will process the exchange in an different thread, this execution will not be part of this transaction context!
- ▶ A transaction is **NOT** associated with the exchange itself!
 - We want support asynchronous transactions in Camel 3.0.0.
- ▶ Consuming multiple exchanges in one single transaction is not supported yet.
 - The SJMS component supports this (Camel 2.11.0)

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- ▶ Does your system requires transactions?
 - Do you use components which support transactions?
 - Do you update the content (read only access doesn't requires TX)?
 - Do you update the database content in two or more different places?
 - You read/write from/into multiple JMS destinations?

 - ▶ Does your system requires XA transactions?
 - You access more than one transactional component and compensations doesn't work for you?

 - ▶ What are **compensations**?
 - Using a normal TX and "deal" with the errors (e.g. duplicate messages).
 - Write idempotent consumers (which can handle duplicates).
 - Sample: Queue -> DB update -> Queue

- ▶ Try to **avoid XA**, because
 - it's more complex to set up and easy to do it wrong
 - it's more expensive and difficult to test
 - our unit test "only" test the business exceptions
 - you also have to test the technical exceptions to be sure it will work
 - You may get different results in different environments (OS, disc, TX manager, ...)
 - you may have to enable this feature explicitly (like in Oracle)
 - it's slower (depending on the provider)
 - your resource may doesn't support it (like HSQLDB)
 - and it's also not bulletproof...

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- ▶ Samples: <https://github.com/muellerc/camel-in-transaction>
 - JMS TX
 - JDBC TX
 - XA TX
 - Atomikos
 - Bitronix
 - Aries/Geronimo
 - JOTM

- ▶ A typical example with **JMS TX**:
 1. Start a messaging TX
 2. Consume a message from a queue
 3. Execute some business logic
 4. Write the message into another queue
 5. Commit the messaging TX

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```
public void configure() throws Exception {  
    from("activemqTx:queue:transaction.incoming")  
        .transacted("REQUIRED")  
        .to("bean:businessService?method=computeOffer")  
        .to("activemqTx:queue:transaction.outgoing");  
}
```

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```
<bean id="txMgr" class="org.springframework.jms.connection.JmsTransactionManager">  
  <property name="connectionFactory" ref="connectionFactory"/>  
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="REQUIRED" class="org.apache.camel.spring.spi.SpringTransactionPolicy">  
  <property name="transactionManager" ref="txMgr"/>  
  <property name="propagationBehaviorName" value="PROPAGATION_REQUIRED"/>  
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="connectionFactory" class="org.apache.activemq.pool.PooledConnectionFactory">  
  <property name="maxConnections" value="8" />  
  <property name="connectionFactory">  
    <bean class="org.apache.activemq.ActiveMQConnectionFactory">  
      <property name="brokerURL" value="tcp://localhost:61616"/>  
    </bean>  
  </property>  
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="activemqTx" class="org.apache.activemq.camel.component.ActiveMQComponent">  
  <property name="connectionFactory" ref="connectionFactory"/>  
  <property name="transacted" value="true"/>  
  <property name="transactionManager" ref="txMgr"/>  
</bean>
```

- ▶ A typical example with **JDBC TX**:
 1. Receive a message
 2. Start a database TX
 3. Update the database (withdrawal money)
 4. Update the database (deposit money)
 5. Commit the database TX

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```
public void configure() throws Exception {
    from("seda:transaction.incoming")
        .transacted("REQUIRED")
        .to("sql:UPDATE account SET balance = (SELECT balance from account where name = 'foo') - #
WHERE name = 'foo'?dataSourceRef=dataSource")
        .to("sql:UPDATE account SET balance = (SELECT balance from account where name = 'bar') + #
WHERE name = 'bar'?dataSourceRef=dataSource")
        .to("seda:transaction.outgoing");
}
```

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```
<bean id="txMgr" class="org.springframework.jdbc.datasource.DataSourceTransactionManager">  
  <property name="dataSource" ref="dataSource"/>  
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="REQUIRED" class="org.apache.camel.spring.spi.SpringTransactionPolicy">  
  <property name="transactionManager" ref="txMgr"/>  
  <property name="propagationBehaviorName" value="PROPAGATION_REQUIRED"/>  
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="dataSource" class="org.apache.commons.dbcp.BasicDataSource">  
  <property name="driverClassName" value="org.apache.derby.jdbc.EmbeddedDataSource40"/>  
  <property name="url" value="jdbc:derby:target/testdb;create=true"/>  
  <property name="defaultAutoCommit" value="false"/>  
</bean>
```

- ▶ A typical financial example with **XA**:
 1. Start a messaging TX
 2. Consume a financial transaction from a queue
 3. Start a database TX
 4. Update the database (withdrawal money)
 5. Update the database (deposit money)
 6. Write the financial transaction into another queue
 7. Commit the database TX
 8. Commit the messaging TX

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```
public void configure() throws Exception {  
    from("activemqXa:queue:transaction.incoming")  
        .transacted("REQUIRED")  
        .to("sql:UPDATE account SET balance = (SELECT balance from account where name = 'foo') - #  
WHERE name = 'foo'?dataSourceRef=dataSource")  
        .to("sql:UPDATE account SET balance = (SELECT balance from account where name = 'bar') + #  
WHERE name = 'bar'?dataSourceRef=dataSource")  
        .to("activemqXa:queue:transaction.outgoing");  
}
```

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```
<bean id="jtaTxMgr" class="org.springframework.transaction.jta.JtaTransactionManager">  
  <property name="transactionManager" ref="txMgr"/>  
  <property name="userTransaction" ref="userTransaction"/>  
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="txMgr" class="com.atomikos.icatch.jta.UserTransactionManager" init-method="init"  
destroy-method="close">  
  <property name="forceShutdown" value="false"/>  
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="userTransaction" class="com.atomikos.icatch.jta.UserTransactionImp">  
  <property name="transactionTimeout" value="120"/>  
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="REQUIRED" class="org.apache.camel.spring.spi.SpringTransactionPolicy">  
  <property name="transactionManager" ref="jtaTxMgr"/>  
  <property name="propagationBehaviorName" value="PROPAGATION_REQUIRED"/>  
</bean>
```

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```
<bean id="resourceManager" class="org.apache.activemq.pool.ActiveMQResourceManager" init-method="recoverResource">
```

```
  <property name="transactionManager" ref="txMgr" />
```

```
  <property name="connectionFactory" ref="connectionFactory" />
```

```
  <property name="resourceName" value="activemq.default" />
```

```
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="connectionFactory" class="org.apache.activemq.pool.XaPooledConnectionFactory" init-method="start" destroy-method="stop">
```

```
  <property name="maxConnections" value="8" />
```

```
  <property name="connectionFactory" ref="xaConnectionFactory" />
```

```
  <property name="transactionManager" ref="txMgr"/>
```

```
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="xaConnectionFactory" class="org.apache.activemq.ActiveMQXAConnectionFactory">
```

```
  <property name="brokerURL" value="tcp://localhost:61616"/>
```

```
</bean>
```

```
<bean id="activemqXa" class="org.apache.activemq.camel.component.ActiveMQComponent">
```

```
  <property name="connectionFactory" ref="connectionFactory"/>
```

```
  <property name="transacted" value="false"/>
```

```
  <property name="transactionManager" ref="jtaTxMgr" />
```

```
</bean>
```

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```
<bean id="dataSource" class="org.apache.commons.dbcp.managed.BasicManagedDataSource">  
  <property name="transactionManager" ref="txMgr"/>  
  <property name="driverClassName" value="org.apache.derby.jdbc.EmbeddedXADataSource40"/>  
  <property name="url" value="jdbc:derby:target/testdb;create=true"/>  
  <property name="defaultAutoCommit" value="false"/>  
</bean>
```



<http://camel.apache.org/faq.html>

Thank you

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Why using multiple Camel contexts?

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▶ In a **standalone** Camel application, you should only use **one CamelContext** in general (there is no advantage to use multiple CamelContexts).

▶ One CamelContext can have as many Camel routes as needed:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<beans ... >
  <camel:camelContext id="main">
    <camel:routeBuilder ref="routeBuilder1" />
    <camel:routeBuilder ref="routeBuilder2" />
    ...
  </camel:camelContext>
</beans>
```

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- ▶ Or use the "packageScan" or "componentScan" feature, e.G.:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
```

```
<beans ... >
```

```
  <camel:camelContext id="main">
```

```
    <camel:packageScan>
```

```
      <camel:package>org.company.product.module</camel:package>
```

```
    </camel:packageScan>
```

```
  </camel:camelContext>
```

```
</beans>
```

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- ▶ If you are deploying your Camel application into an [OSGI container](#) or [application server](#), you should consider using [multiple CamelContexts](#).
 - Each of these integration logic is deployable in isolation.
 - They can be loosely coupled via the different provided [VM](#), [JMS](#), [NMR](#), ... components.
 - Each CamelContexts can have multiple Camel routes.
 - A downtime of one part may didn't affect other parts (customers).

```
from("cxf:bean:orderEntryService").routeId("mainRoute")  
  .dynamicRouter(simple("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY_${body.customerId}"));
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>  
<beans ... >  
  <bean id="mainRoute" class="..." />  
  <camel:camelContext id="main">  
    <camel:routeBuilder ref="mainRoute" />  
  </camel:camelContext>  
</beans>
```

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```
from("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY_BANK1").routeId("bank1Route")
    .to("bean:orderEntryProcessor?method=processBank1");
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<beans ... >
  <bean id="bank1Route" class="..." />
  <camel:camelContext id="bank1">
    <camel:routeBuilder ref="bank1Route" />
  </camel:camelContext>
</beans>
```

```
from("activemq:queue:ORDER_ENTRY_BANK2").routeId("bank2Route")
    .to("cxf:bean:enrichService")
    .to("bean:orderEntryProcessor?method=processBank2");
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<beans ... >
  <bean id="bank2Route" class="..." />
  <camel:camelContext id="bank2">
    <camel:routeBuilder ref="bank2Route" />
  </camel:camelContext>
</beans>
```

How to separate my Camel routes?

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- ▶ If you Camel route (your “*configure()*” method) grows
 - ▶ to more than you can show on one screen
 - ▶ or it becomes difficult to understand

 - ▶ Split them into separate routes (which share the same CamelContext)
 - ▶ If necessary, connect them together via the Camel provided [direct](#) or [seda](#) components

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```
from("activemq:queue:ORDER_PROCESS.STEP_1").routeId("step1")
  .to("validator:myschema.xsd")
  .convertBodyTo(Order.class)
  .to("bean:orderEntryService?method=audit")
  .enrichRef("direct:enrichCustomerData", "myAggregationStrategy")
  .to("bean:orderEntryService?method=process")
  .to("activemq:queue:ORDER_PROCESS.STEP_2");
```

```
from("activemq:queue:ORDER_PROCESS.STEP_2").routeId("step2")
  .enrichRef("direct:updateLagacySystem", "myLagacyAggregationStrategy")
  .to("bean:orderEntryService?method=postProcess")
  .convertBodyTo(OrderReceipt.class)
  .to(activemq:queue:ORDER_PROCESS.RESPONSE);
```

```
from("direct:enrichCustomerData").routeId("enrichCustomerData")
  .convertBodyTo(QueryCustomerDataRequest.class)
  .setHeader(CxfConstants.OPERATION_NAME, queryCustomerData)
  .to("cxf:bean:customerService");
```

```
from("direct:updateLagacySystem").routeId("updateLagacySystem")
  .convertBodyTo(UpdateRequest.class)
  .to("ims:...");
```

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```
public class OrderEntryRoute extends RouteBuilder {  
  
    public void configure() throws Exception {  
        configureStep1();  
        configureStep2();  
        configureEnrichCustomerData();  
        configureUpdateLagacySystem();  
    }  
  
    public void configureStep1 () throws Exception {  
        from("activemq:queue:ORDER_PROCESS.STEP_1").routeId("step1")  
        ...  
        .to("activemq:queue:ORDER_PROCESS.STEP_2");  
    }  
  
    public void configureStep2 () throws Exception {  
        ...  
    }  
  
    ...  
}
```

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```
public class OrderEntryStep1Route extends RouteBuilder {  
  
    public void configure () throws Exception {  
        from("activemq:queue:ORDER_PROCESS.STEP_1").routeId("step1")  
            .to("myschema.xsd")  
            .convertBodyTo(Order.class)  
            .to("bean:orderEntryService?method=audit")  
            .enrichRef("direct:enrichCustomerData", "myAggregationStrategy")  
            .to("bean:orderEntryService?method=process")  
            .to("activemq:queue:ORDER_PROCESS.STEP_2");  
    }  
}
```

```
public class OrderEntryStep2Route extends RouteBuilder {  
  
    public void configure () throws Exception {  
        ...  
    }  
}  
  
...
```

► Pipeline:

- the result of the previous processor is the input of the next processor:

```
from("direct:start")  
  .to("direct:foo")  
  .to("direct:bar");
```

```
from("direct:start")  
  .to("direct:foo", "direct:bar");
```

```
from("direct:start")  
  .pipeline()  
  .to("direct:foo")  
  .to("direct:bar");
```

```
from("direct:start")  
  .pipeline("direct:foo", "direct:bar");
```

► Multicast:

- each processor in a multicast will receive the same input:

```
from("direct:start")  
  .multicast()  
  .to("direct:foo")  
  .to("direct:bar");
```

```
from("direct:start")  
  .multicast()  
  .to("direct:foo", "direct:bar");
```

pipeline vs. multicast & to vs. inOut/inOnly!

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- ▶ Prefer to use inOut/inOnly over to (if possible) to be more explicitly:
- ▶ Processing based on the Exchange MEP:

```
from("direct:start")  
  .to("direct:foo", "direct:bar");
```

```
from("direct:start")  
  .setExchangePattern(ExchangePattern.InOut)  
  .to("direct:foo", "direct:bar");
```

```
from("direct:start")  
  →.inOut()  
  →.to("direct:foo", "direct:bar");
```

- ▶ Routing based on the MEP configured on the endpoint:

```
from("direct:start")  
  .to(ExchangePattern.InOut, "direct:foo", "direct:bar");
```

```
from("direct:start")  
  .inOut("direct:foo", "direct:bar");
```