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# JSR 170 for Developers: An Introduction to the Content Repository for Java™ Technology API

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# Content Repository for Java™ Technology

Introduction to the API

Learn the basics of the JSR 170:  
Content Repository  
for Java Technology API

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## What Is JSR 170?

“The API should be a standard, implementation independent, way to access content bi-directionally on a granular level within a content repository.”

# Why Do We Need a Standard API?

- The JSR 170 Expert Group members were each asked to provide sample code from their current content access API
- A JavaServer Pages™ based snippet that outputs the “Title” of a set of “Documents” in a “Folder”
- The result...

# One...

```
<%  
childCount = node.getContentCount();  
for(int i=0;i<childCount;i++) {  
    IContent child = node.getContent(i);  
    Property title = child.getPropertyByName("Title");  
    %><%= title.getValue() %><br/><%  
}  
%>
```

# Two...

```
<%  
    childCount = node.getContentCount();  
    for (int i = 0; i < childCount; i++) {  
<%  
fndocs = new IFnObjSetDualProxy(  
    fnfolder.getContents(idmFolderContent.idmFolderContentDocument));  
int numDocs = fndocs.getCount();  
for (int i = 1; i <= numDocs; i++) {  
    IFnDocumentDual fndoc =  
    new IFnDocumentDualProxy(fndocs.getItem(new Integer(i)));  
    IFnPropertiesDual propset = fndoc.getProperties();  
    IFnPropertyDual idmTitleProp = propset.getItem("Title");  
    String title = idmTitleProp.getValue();  
    %>%= title %><br/><%  
    if (comCleanup) {  
        cleaner.release(fndoc);  
    }  
}  
%>
```



# Three...

```

<%
    childCount = node.getCon
    fn(folder, info, folder)
<%
fndocs = new IFnObjSetDualProxy(
    fnfolder.getContents(idm
int numDocs = fndocs.getCount();
for (int i = 1; i <= numDocs; i++)
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    String title = idmTitlePr
    %><%= title %><br/><%
    if (comCleanup) {
        cleaner.release(fndoc);
    }
}
%>
<%
LAPI_DOCUMENTS documents = new LAPI_DOCUMENTS(session);
LLValue childTable = new LLValue();
documents.ListObjects(volumeID, folderID,
    null, null, LAPI_DOCUMENTS.PERM_SEE, childTable);
Enumeration children = childTable.enumerateValues();
while(children.hasMoreElements()) {
    LLValue child = (LLValue)e.nextElement();
    String title = child.toString("Name");
    %><%= title %><br/><%
}
%>

```

# Four...

```

<%
    childCount = node.getCon
    fn(folderInfo) {
    <%
    fndocs = new IFnObjSetDualProxy(
        fnfolder.getContents(idm
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    Enumeration children = childTable.enumerateValues();
    while <%
        IDocuments documents = new IDocumentsProxy(binder.getDocuments());
        documents.cache();
        int documentCount = documents.getCount();
        for (int i = 0; i < documentCount; i++) {
            document = new IDocumentProxy(documents.getItemByIndex(i));
            String title = document.getTitle()
            %><%= title %><br/><%
        }
    %>

```

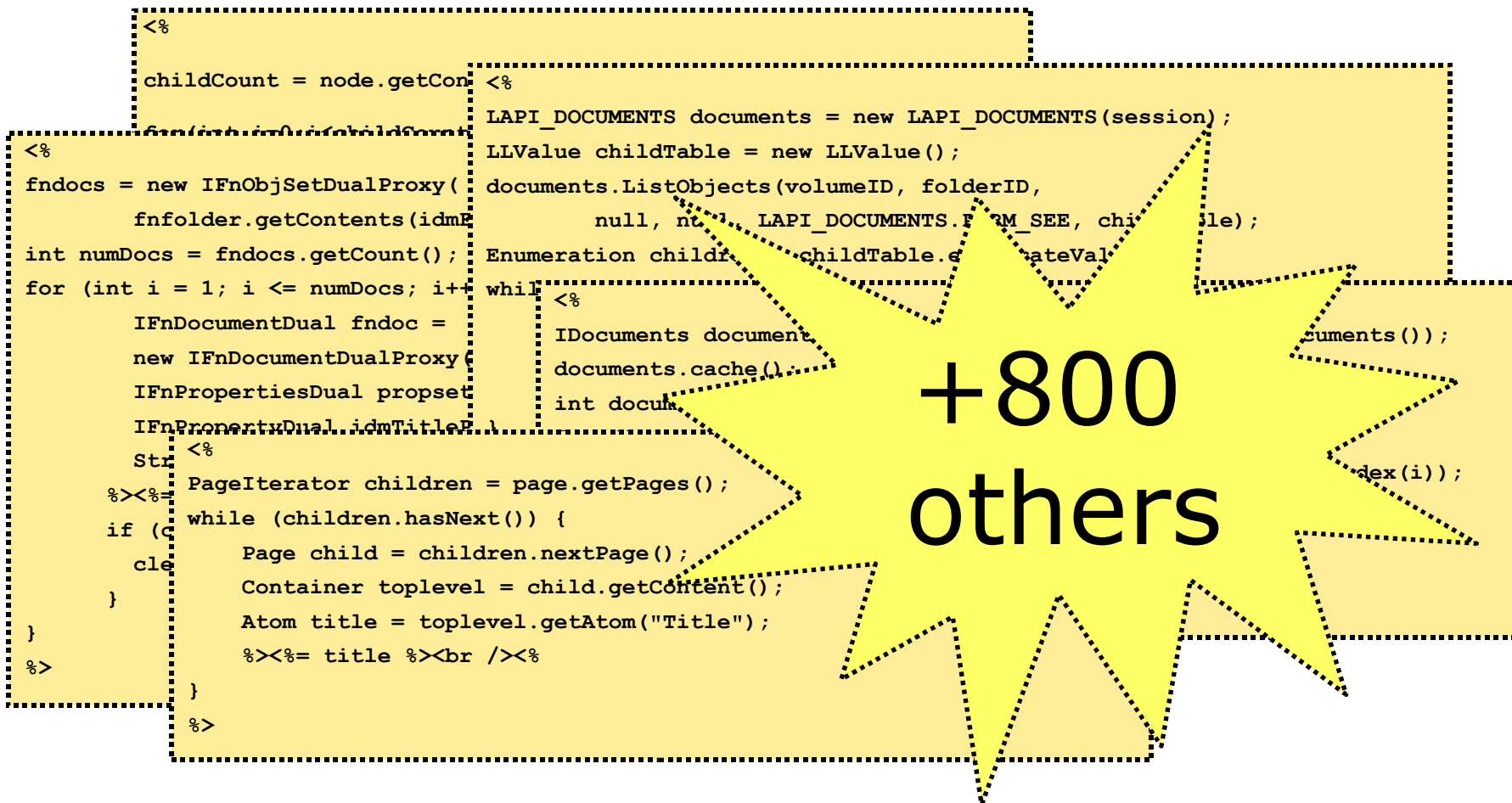
# Five...

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        documents.cache();
        int documentCount = documents.getCount();
        while
        <%
            PageIterator children = page.getPages();
            while (children.hasNext()) {
                Page child = children.nextPage();
                Container toplevel = child.getContent();
                Atom title = toplevel.getAtom("Title");
                %><%= title %><br /><%=
            }
        }
    }
}
    documents.getItemByIndex(i));

```

# Eight Hundred and Five!



```

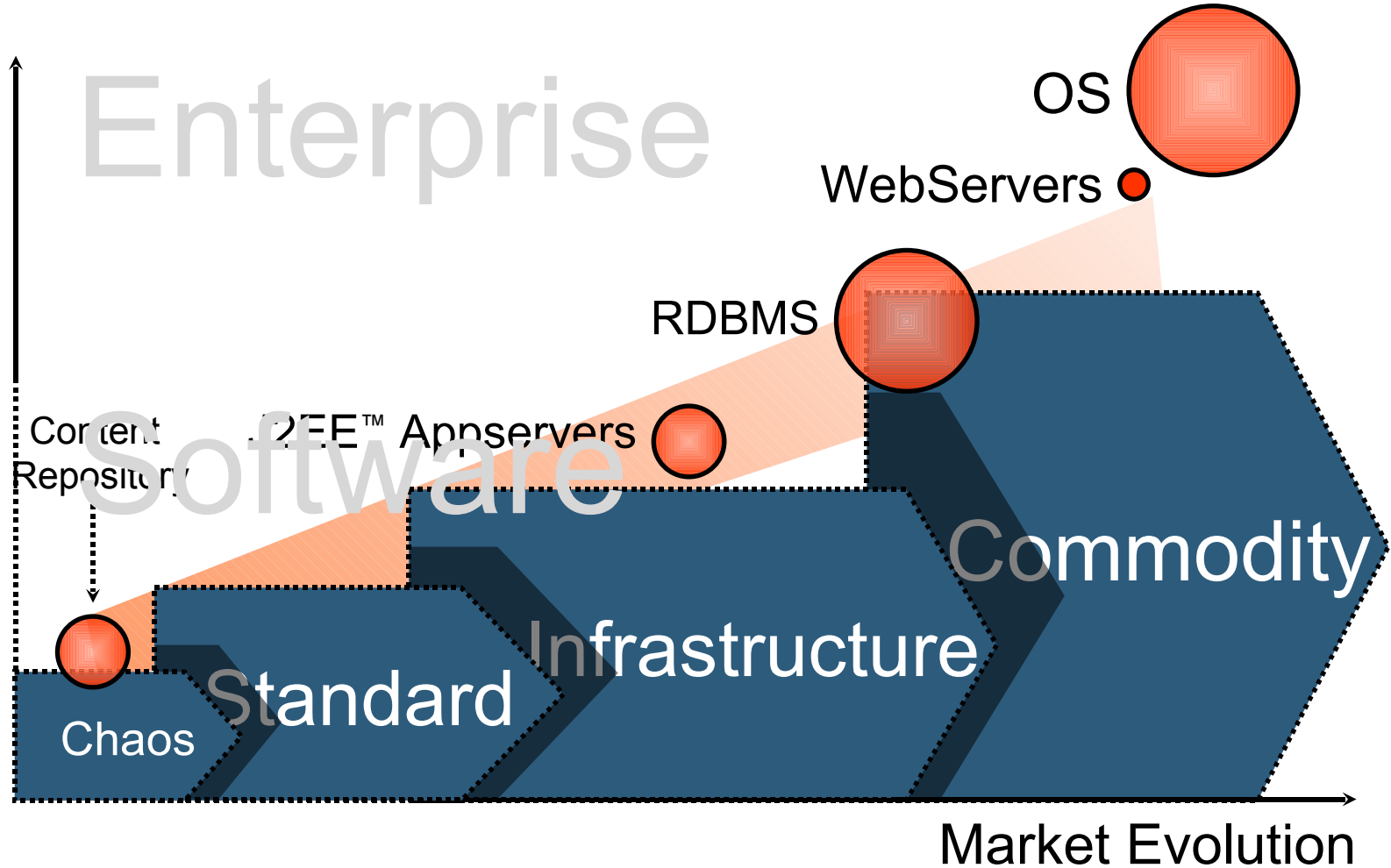
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while (children.hasMoreElements()) {
    <%
    IDocuments document =
    documents.cache().get(children.nextElement());
    int documentIndex = children.indexOf(document);
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        %><%= title %><br /><%
    }
}
%>

```

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# Goal: The Content Repository Evolves Standard → Infrastructure → Commodity



# Level 1 Features

**Read only**  
Simple and Covers a Large Number of Usecases

**Fine and Coarsegrained**  
Content Items Small to Large

**Hierarchical**  
Parent Child Relationships, Sort Order

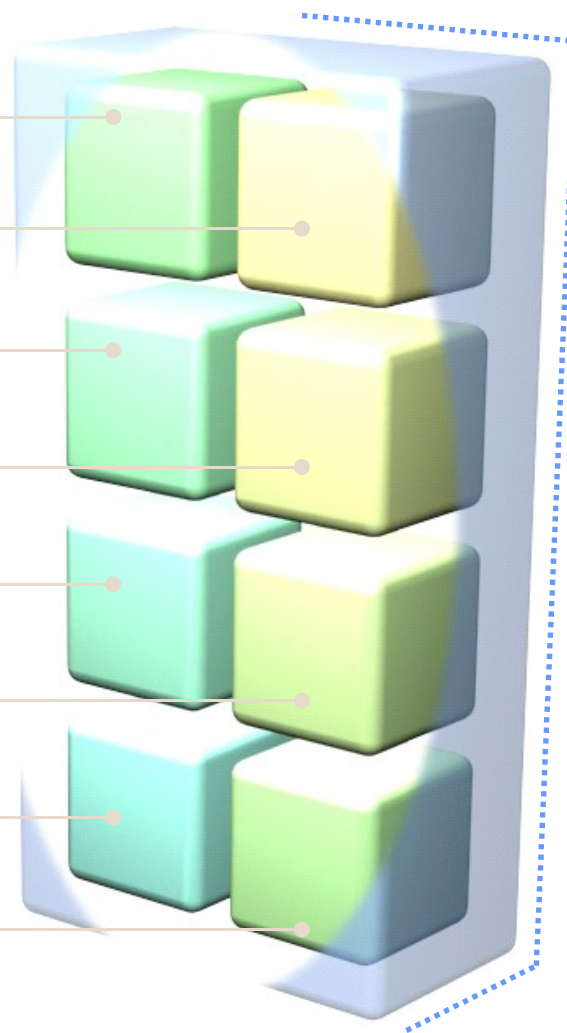
**Structured**  
Strong Typed Information

**PropertyTypes**  
String, Binary, Numbers, Calendar, ...

**NodeTypes**  
Introspect Complex Content Structures

**Query (XPath)**  
Search and Query the Repository

**Export**  
Standardized XML Content Export



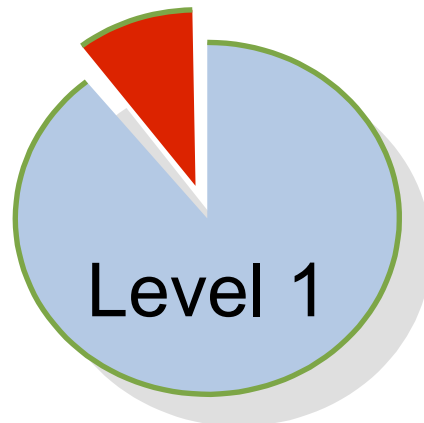
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# Level 1 Applications



- Typical level 1 applications:
  - CMS-templates, content delivery
  - Display portlets
  - Repository export
  - Reporting applications
  - Federated repositories

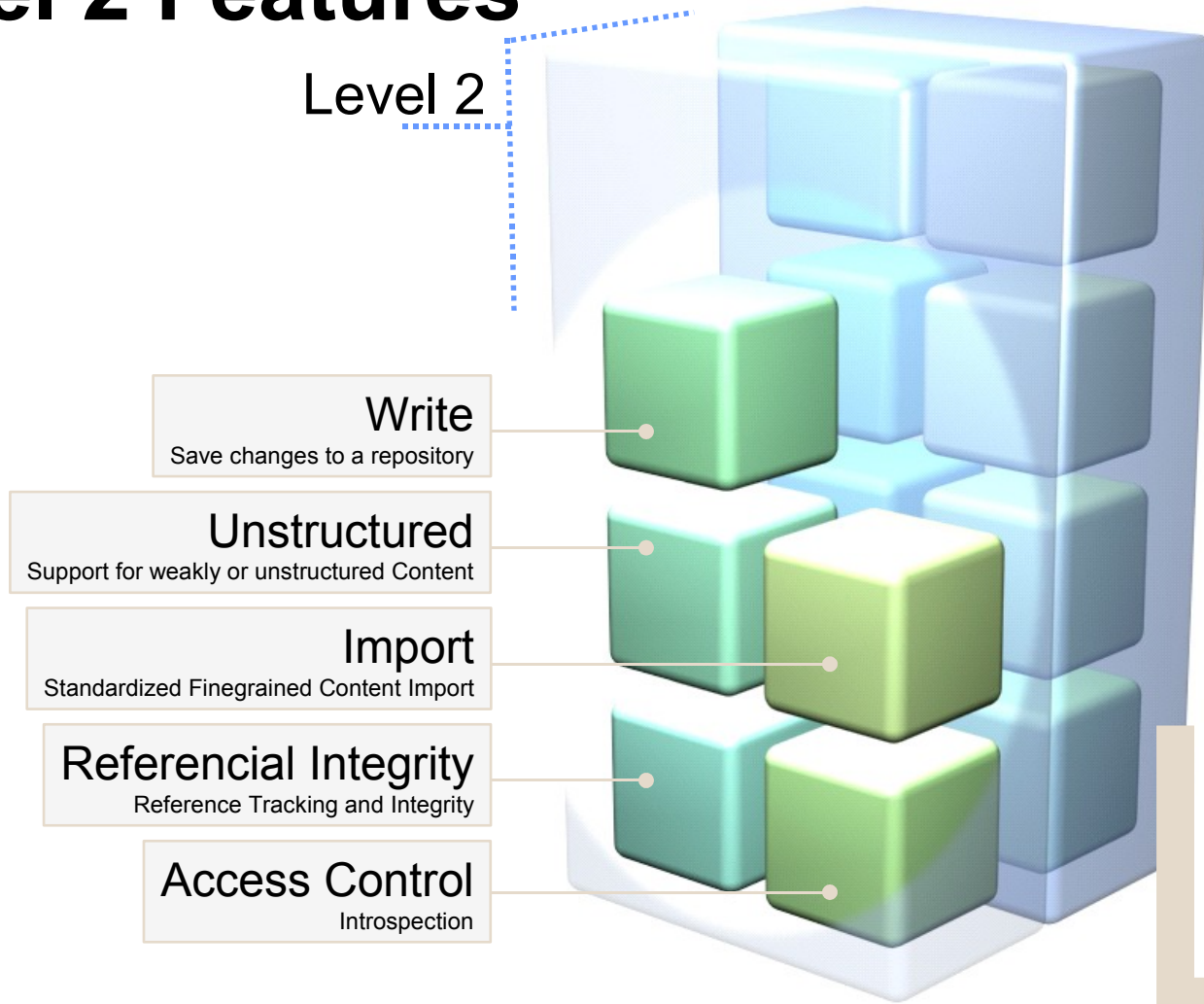


- Overwhelming majority of application source code is written using Level 1 calls



# Level 2 Features

Level 2

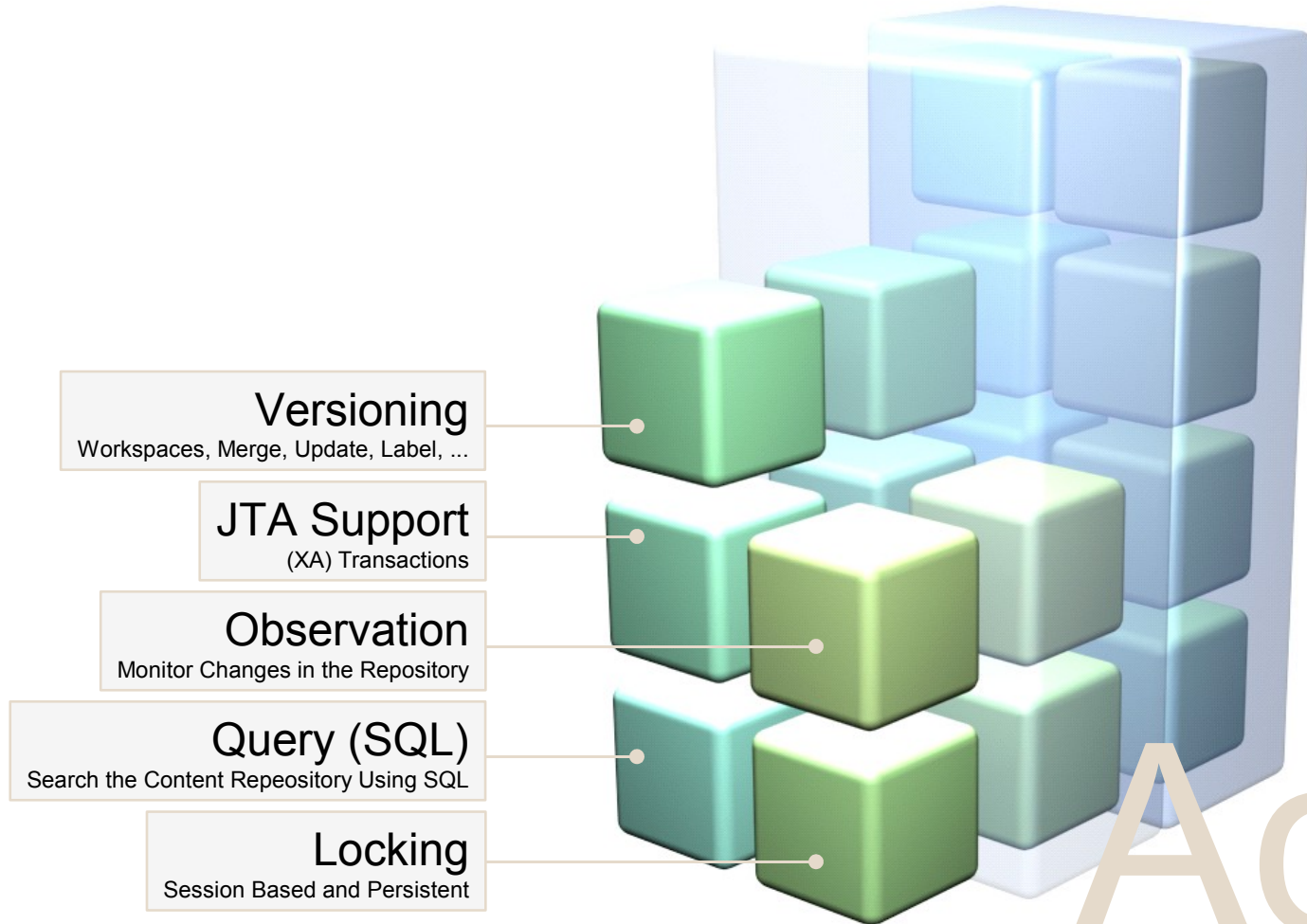


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# Level 2 Applications

- Typical level-2 applications:
  - Entry level content management
  - Entry level document management
  - Workflow
  - Collaboration
  - Content aggregation (content warehouse)
  - ...

# Advanced Features

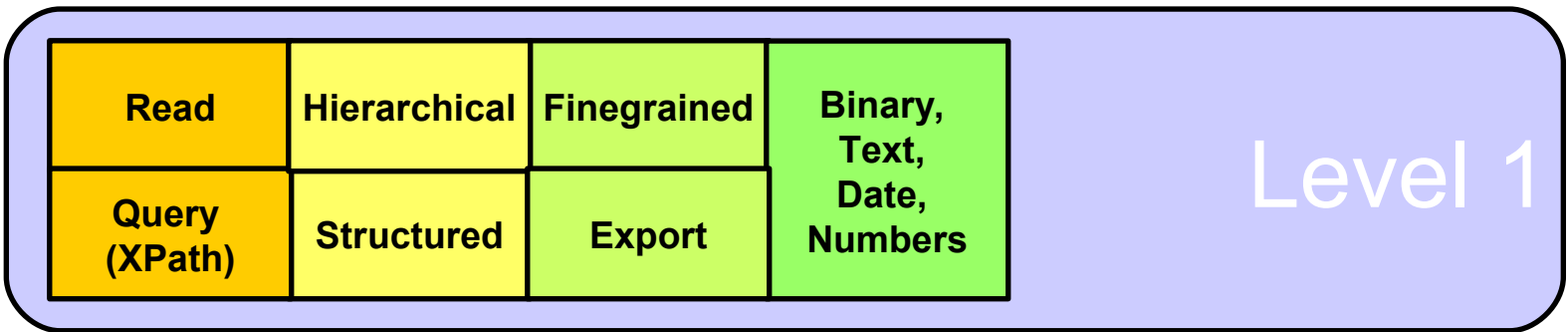
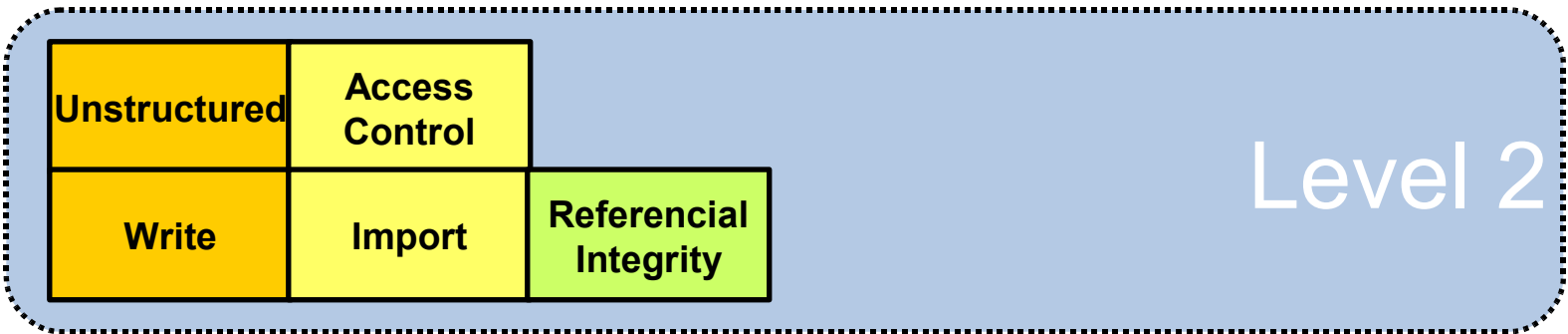
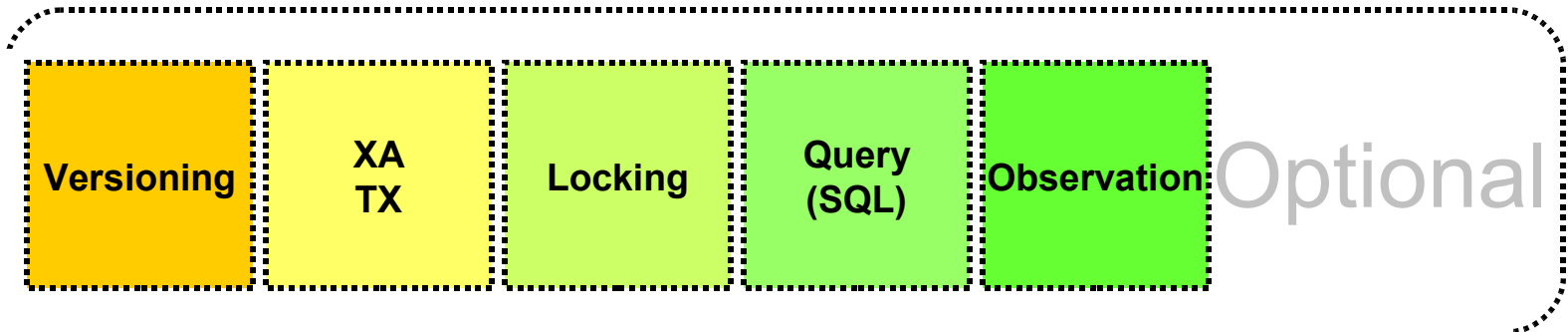


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# Full JSR 170: Applications

- Typical applications that require full JSR 170 compliant repositories:
  - Complete ECM suites
  - Transactional applications
  - Source control management systems

# Functional Overview



# What JSR 170 Is Not:

- JSR 170 is a Content Repository API, not a CMS API
- JSR 170 does not deal with repository administration
- JSR 170 does not prescribe a semantic information model

# JSR 170: the Content Repository API

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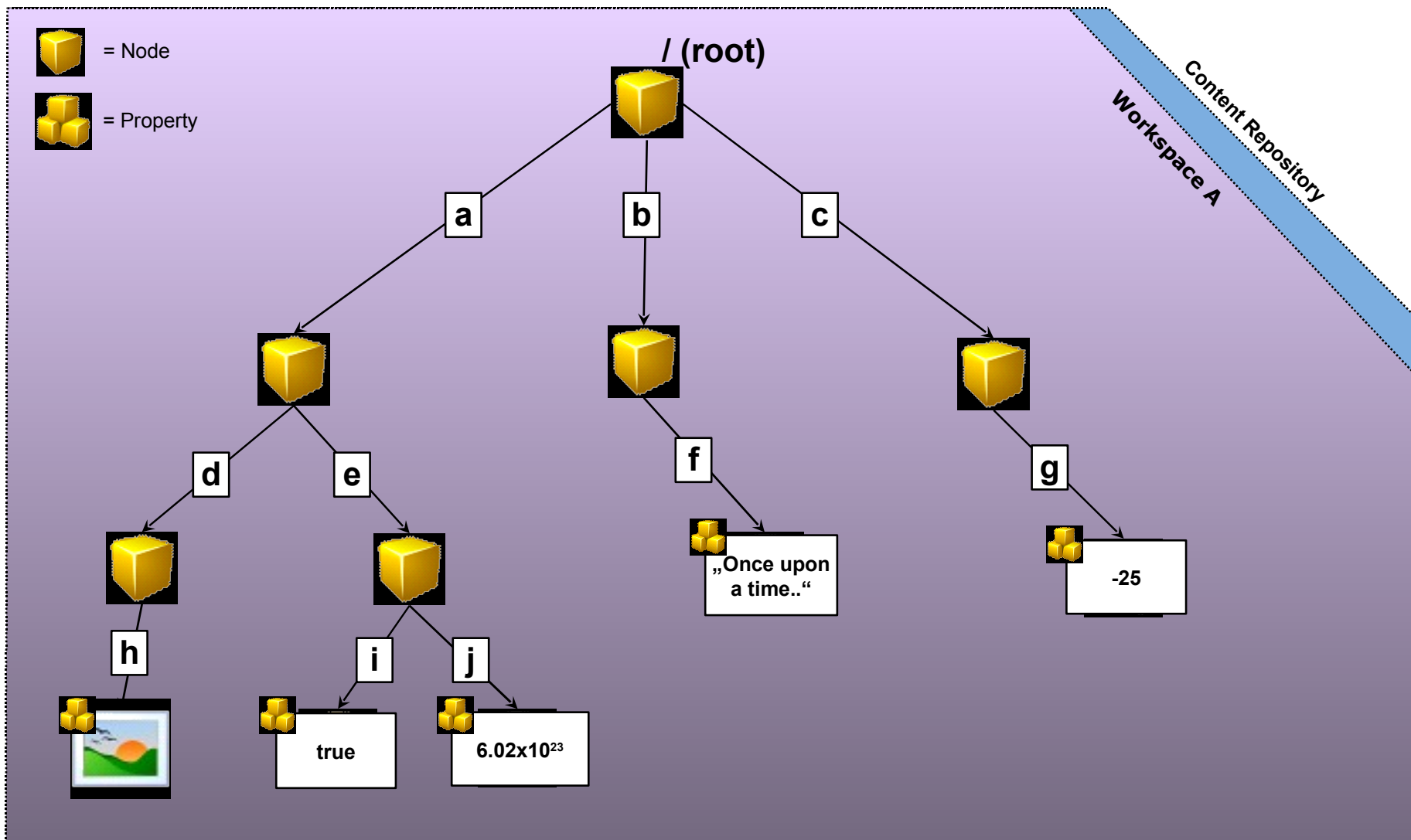
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# The Basic Repository Model

- A **repository** consists of one or more **workspaces**
- A **workspace** consists of a tree of **items**
- An item is either a **node** or a **property**
- A **node** can have child **nodes** and child **properties**
- **Properties** cannot have children; they are the leaves of the tree
- **Nodes** provide the content structure
- The “actual data” is stored as the values of **properties**



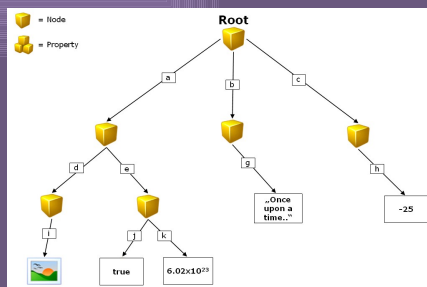
# The Repository Model: Nodes and Properties



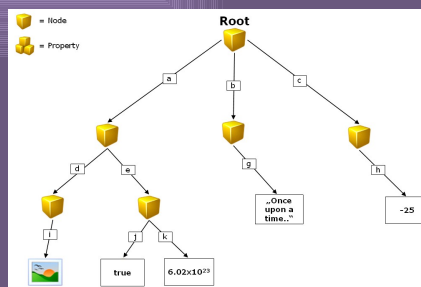
# The Repository Model: Workspaces

## Content Repository

### Workspace A



### Workspace B



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# Connect to the Repository

- Acquire the Repository object: Exact mechanism is outside spec, but one possible way: Java Naming and Directory Interface™ API

```
// Get the Repository object
```

```
InitialContext ctx = ...
```

```
Repository repository =
```

```
    (Repository) ctx.lookup("MyRepository");
```

# Get a Session

- First get your credentials
- Credential is a marker interface—we use a simple example
- Provide credentials and workspace name to get session

```
// Get a Credentials object
Credentials credentials =
    new SimpleCredentials("MyName",

    "MyPassword".toCharArray());
// Get a Session
Session mySession =
    repository.login(credentials, "Workspace A");
```

# Traverse the Hierarchy

- We have a Session object **mySession**, bound to the workspace called “**Workspace A**”
- We begin by getting the root node of the workspace:

```
// Get root node
Node root = mySession.getRootNode()
```

- And continue down the hierarchy:

```
// Go to the node you want
Node myNode = root.getNode("a/e");
```

# Retrieve a Property

- We have Node object **myNode**, the node located at `/a/e`
- We get one of its properties, `j` :

```
// Retrieve a property of myNode  
Property myProperty = myNode.getProperty("j");
```

```
// Get the value of the property  
Value myValue = myProperty.getValue();
```

```
// Convert the value to the desired type  
double myDouble = myValue.getDouble();
```

- **myDouble** will contain the value  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$

# Property Types

- STRING
- BINARY
- DATE
- LONG
- DOUBLE
- REFERENCE
- NAME
- PATH



# Direct Access by Absolute Path

- In addition to incremental tree traversal, the API also supports direct access
- By absolute path:

```
// Retrieve a property by absolute path
Property myProperty =
    (Property)mySession.getItem("/a/e/j");
```

# Direct Access by UUID

- Assuming that the node at `/a/e` is **referenced** and we know its UUID, we get it:

```
Node myNode =  
    mySession.getNodeByUUID(  
        "0e877cc0-b055-11da-a746-0800200c9a669999");
```

- and then get the its property `j`:

```
Property myProperty = myNode.getProperty("j");
```

# Direct Access by Reference

- Properties of type **reference** store UUIDs that can be used to point to nodes
- Assuming that property `/c/r` is a reference property pointing to `/a/e`:

```
Property refProp =  
    (Property)mySession.getItem("c/r/");
```

- and then jump to `/a/e`:

```
Node myNode = refProp.getNode();
```

# Writing (In a level 2 Repository)

- If the repository is level 2 -compliant we can write to it:

```

// Retrieve a node
Node myNode = (Node) mySession.getItem("/a/e");

// Add a child node
Node newNode = myNode.addNode("n");

// Add a property
newNode.setProperty("x", "Hello");

// Persist the changes
mySession.save();
  
```

# Transient Session Space

- Changes are held in a transient storage layer associated with the Session, until **save** is called:
  - On save, the changes are pushed to the persistent workspace associated with that session
  - Allows complex changes to be made that may not be valid until they are completely finished
  - Needed to enforce structural restrictions on the repository. Which leads us to...

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# Node Types

Enforcing repository structure...or not

- A node type defines the allowed substructure of the node:
  - What properties (of what property types) the node may or must have
  - What child nodes (of what node types) the node may or must have

# An Example Node Type: Enforcing Structure

`[Document] > Authored`

- `+ content (Resource) mandatory`
- `- department (String)`
- `- dateCreated (Date) mandatory autocreated`
- `- language (String) = "en"`



# Another Node Type: Supporting Unstructured Content

`[nt:unstructured]`

- `+ * (nt:base) =nt:unstructured multiple`
- `- * (undefined)`
- `- * (undefined) multiple`

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# DEMO

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