Java based middlewares JINI, EJB, J2EE

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Java

- "*lingua franca*" to easily interconnect data and application across organizational boundaries.
- Java-based middlewares
 - Application servers -- BEA WebLogic
 - Messaging products -- Active Software's ActiveWorks
 - DBMS based exploit DBMS systems with server-based Java object execution features.
- Features
 - JVM -- Java's runtime execution environment
 - RMI, RMI registry (Java's RPC and directory service)
 - Type safety and sandboxed execution (JVM process can service multiple requests without interfering)

Old Article on Java middleware

Java RMI

- Java communication
 - Sockets
 - pt-to-pt, duplex
 - Pre-determined format, protocol
 - RPC
 - Abstract to procedure call
 - Standard data representations
 - RMI
 - Object oriented RPC
 - RPC+Java serialization to pack objects

- 3 processes
 - Client
 - Server
 - RMI registry
- Remote class must
 - extendsRemote interface
 - Server extends java.rmi.server.UnicastRemoteObject
- rmic compiler
 - stub and skeleton generation
- Other Issues
 - Serialization
 - Exception handling
 - Constructors

```
public interface PrintService extends Remote {
  int print(Vector printJob) throws
RemoteException;
}
```

Java Serialization

- Store and retrieve objects
 - Capture enough state for reconstruction
 - Generate a bytestream
- Java interfaces for serialization
 - java.io.Serializable: default serialization mechanism
 - java.io.Externalizable: custom serialization
 - Serialize to file, serialize an entire class

Jini Motivation

- Need a distributed system based on the idea of federating groups of users and the resources required by those users.
- Need an open software architecture that enables the creation of network-centric solutions which are highly adaptive to change.
- Middleware solution to build adaptive networks that are scalable, evolvable and flexible as typically required in dynamic computing environments.

Jini - Java Middleware

- Network extension of Java
 - Users share services and resources over a network
 - Easy access to resources anywhere on the network while allowing network location of the user to change
- Simplifying the task of building, maintaining, and altering a network of devices, software, and users
 - Support true plug and play in LAN-based networked systems
 - SOHO (small office, home office environments)
 - ROHO (remote office, home office environments)
- System of federated users and resources
 - Appears to users as a single system
 - A client/resource/service may belong to more than one Jini system at a time

Environmental Assumptions

- Existence of a network of "reasonable speed"
 - "reasonable" network latency
- Connected devices have "some memory and processing power"
 - Those that don't must have a Jini proxy that does have memory and processing power
- Needs the Java Environment
 - Members are assumed to agree on basic notions of trust, administration, identification, and policy.

Jini Advantages

FEATURE

- Java Virtual Machine
- Portable object code
- Downloadable code
- Unified type systems

BENEFITS

Homogeneous network
Architecture independence
Dynamic environment
No impedance mismatch

Jini Structure

Jini Services	 JavaSpaces™ Transaction Managers Printing, Storage, Databases 	
Jini Infrastructure	Discovery Lookup Service	
Jini Programming Model	Leasing Distributed Events Transactions	
Java 2 Platform	Java RMI Java VM	

Jini Services

- Anything that can be used in a Jini system
 - Entity used by a person, program, another service, storage...
- Utilized through a Service Protocol
 - Set of interfaces written in Java
 - Services carry the code needed to use them
 - A small set of protocols is predefined
 - e.g. Discovery, Join, Lookup
- Communication happens through RMI
 - Allows for objects and code to be sent around the network
 - Security: incorporates Java's security models

What Jini is

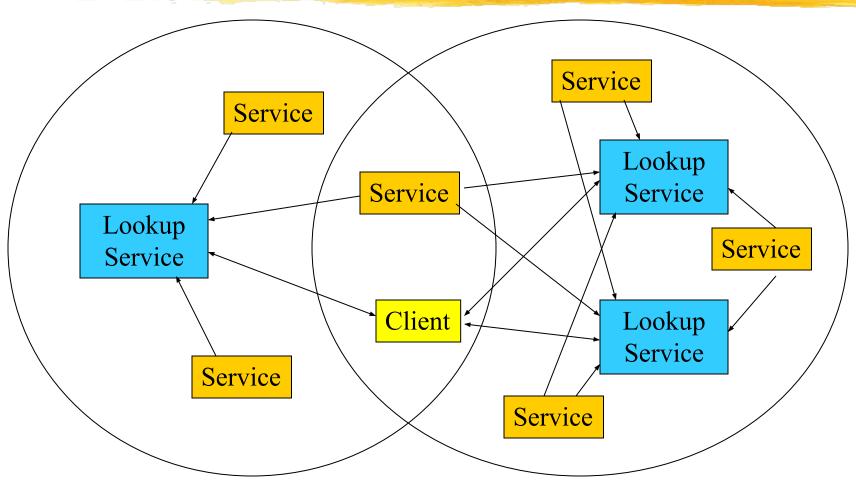
- Services carry the code needed to use them
 - proxies are dynamically downloaded by clients when they need to use a service
- A "meta-service" provides access to all other services
 - Lookup services keeps track of all other services in a community.
 - Entries are downloadable Java objects that act as local proxies to the real service
- Bootstrapping process to find proxies for the lookup service
- Service discovery and join: service protocols that allows services (both hardware and software) to discover, become part of, and advertise supplied services to the other members of the federation

What Jini is not



- Not just RMI
- Jini is not just a name server
- Jini is not a system consisting of client and servers. It is system consisting of services that can be collected together for the performance of a particular task.
- Jini is not JavaBeans
 - JavaBeans provides a way for software components to find and introspect each other
 - intended for use within a single address space
 - less dynamic (design-time, not runtime)
- Jini is not EJB
 - similar to Jini but intended to hook together legacy systems covered by Java wrappers to form the back-end business logic of enterprise applications

Jini Overview



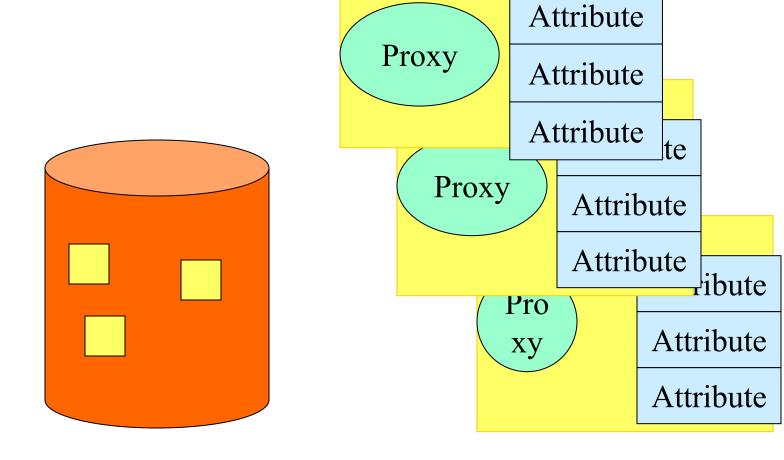
Jini group: cs237.uci.edu

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Jini Lookup Service

- Core/ Central bootstrapping mechanism for the system
 - provides the major point of contact between the system and users of the system.
- Maps interfaces to objects that implement those interfaces
 - Interface only describes functionality of a service
 - Descriptive entries can be associated with a service to allow more flexible searching
- Services can appear/disappear in a lightweight way
 - A service is added to a lookup service by a pair of protocols called Discovery and Join.
 - The service locates an appropriate lookup service using the discovery protocol.
 - The service is added using the join protocol.

Lookup Service

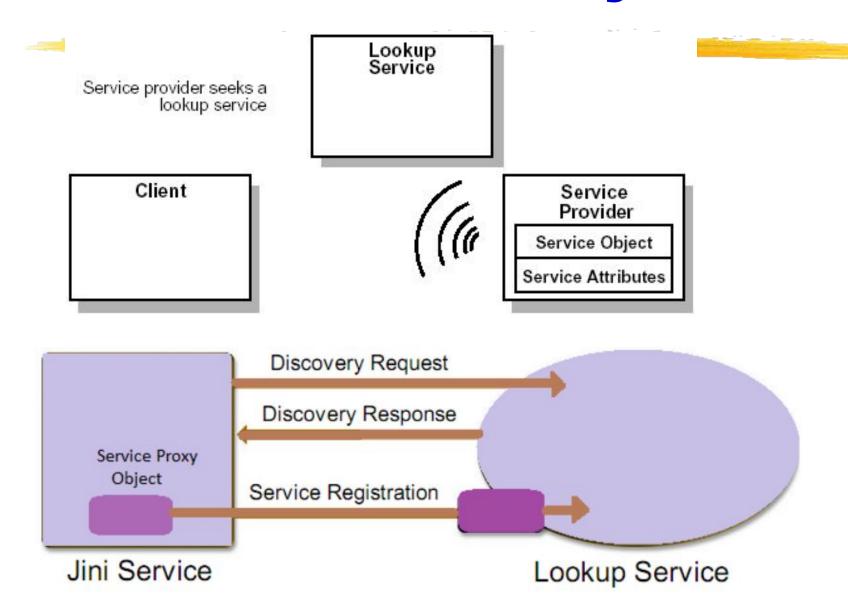


Service item

Lookup Service

- Jini Lookup Service is an interface
 - Implementations can incorporate other lookup services
 - Hierarchical Lookup
 - Bridge between lookup services
- Discover, Join and Lookup Protocols
 - Discover to find a lookup service
 - Join to add to the lookup service
 - Lookup to find a service and use it

Jini Service Discovery



Jini Join & Lookup Protocols

A service provider registers a Service Object and its Service Attributes with the lookup service

Client

Client

Lookup Service
Service Object
Service Attributes

Service Attributes

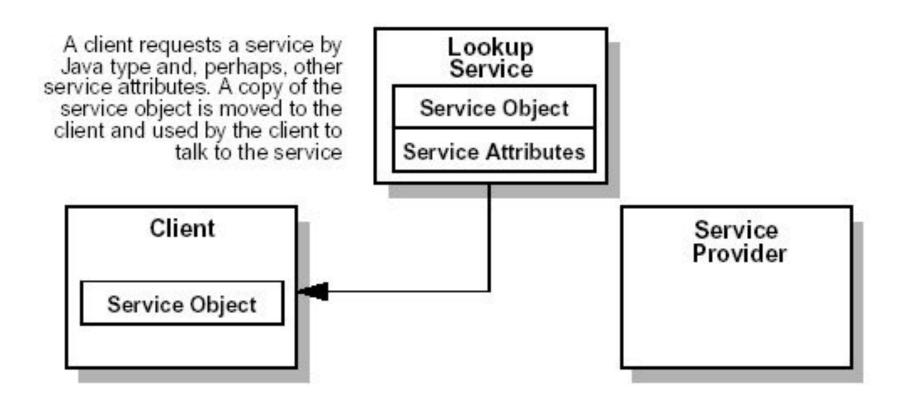
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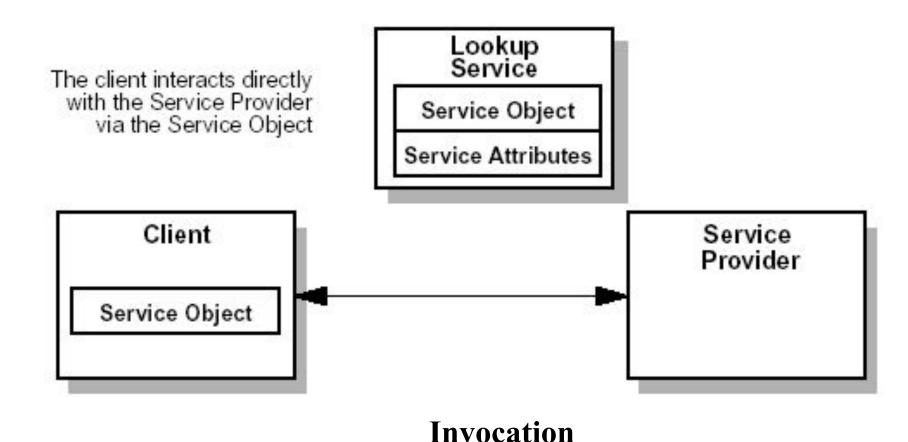
Join

Discovery, Join & Lookup Protocols



Lookup

Discovery, Join & Lookup Protocols



Attributes in Jini

- Attributes describe service
 - rich and flexible way for services to annotate their proxies with information describing that service
- Attributes are Java objects
 - assigned to service proxies
- Attribute matching
 - set of rules to determine when attributes match one another
- template matching
 - for matching against multiple attributes

Discovery Protocol in Jini

- Serendipitous discovery
 - Jini allows serendipitous interactions between services and users of those services
 - Service initiated discovery
 - used when a service starts to find all lookup services in its vicinity
 - Lookup service initiated discovery
 - used when a lookup service starts and announces its presence to Jini services
- Hardwired (Direct discovery)
 - hardwire a Jini service to a lookup service

Discovery Protocol

- Happens when a device first connects to the Jini System
 - Device could find/join multiple groups
 - Unicast Discovery
 - For applications and services that know about particular lookup services.
 - Multicast Discovery
 - Multicast Request Device looking for Lookup Service in a group
 - Multicast Announce Lookup Service Advertises its presence
 - Uses IP multicast based on UDP/IP
 - each message has a scope (distance) associated with it
 - promotes efficiency in routing
 - can set IP TTL (how many hops) parameter

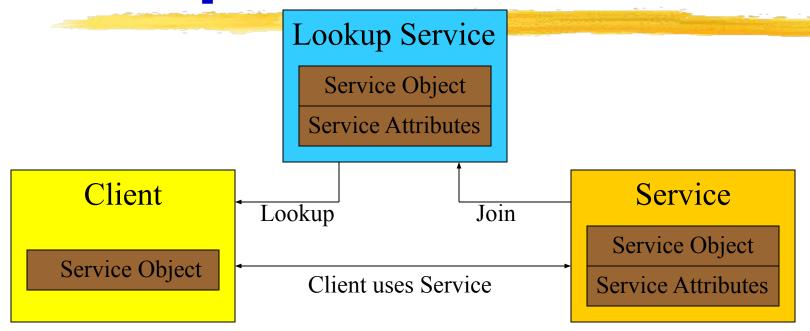
Join Protocol

- Registers a service with a Lookup Service in a Jini System
 - Each Service has a list of properties, Service ID,
 Attributes, a list of groups to register with, etc.
- Uses Discovery to find Lookup Services
 - Maintains a list of Lookup Services to register with
 - Registers with all Lookup Service that responds
 - Creates a lease during registration, which is renewed periodically

Lookup Protocol

- Client queries the Lookup Service
 - Find a service by name, or attributes
 - Receive a copy of the service interface onto the client
- Client interacts with service through this "proxy" object
 - Client also gets a lease on the service

Join and Lookup: An Example



- Join: Service object is registered.
 - Copy sent to reside on Lookup Service through RMI
- Lookup: Service is copied to Client
 - Service Object acts a proxy

Service Architecture

- The service object on the client communicates with Service by:
 - RMI
 - Local implementation
 - Combination of the above (smart proxy)
- From client point of view:
 - Services look the same across the network or in local address space
 - All services are Java objects

Security

- Based on principals and access contol lists
 - Services accessed on behalf of some entitythe principal
 - Usually traces back to the user
 - Access is determined through an ACL associated with an object

Programming Model

- The leasing interface
 - defines a way of allocating and freeing resources using a renewable, duration-based model
- The event and notification interface
 - an extension of the event model used by JavaBeans[™] components to the distributed environment that enables event-based communication between Jini services
- Transaction interfaces
 - enable entities to cooperate in such a way that either all of the changes made to the group occur atomically or none of them occur
 - Jini provides an interface for two-phase commit transactions
 - Does not provide implementation
 - Does not define semantics of transactions
 - Only provides protocol to coordinate

Leasing

- Set of interfaces that allow time-based resource allocation
 - Guarantees access to a service while lease is in effect
 - Can be renewed (depends in the service)
 - Can be exclusive or non-exclusive
 - Lease can be cancelled or it automatically expires at the end of the terms of the lease

Jini Events

- Allows an object in one JVM to register for events occurring on another
 - Possibly across a network
 - Can register for different kinds of events
 - Can schedule notifications
- Provides interfaces that implement a protocol
 - No guarantees made interfaces, only by implementations

Transactions in Jini

- Create a transaction
 - Jini transactionFactory object to create a transaction object to hold grouped operations
- pass to it all the transactions to be grouped
- tell to try to execute all operations atomically, which will either succeed or fail
 - commit() call

Component Overview

	Infrastructure	Programming Model	Services
Base Java	Java VM RMI Java Security	Java APIs JavaBeans™ 	JNDI Enterprise Beans JTS
Java + Jini	Discovery/Join Distributed Security Lookup	Leasing Transactions Events	Printing Transaction Manager JavaSpaces™ Service

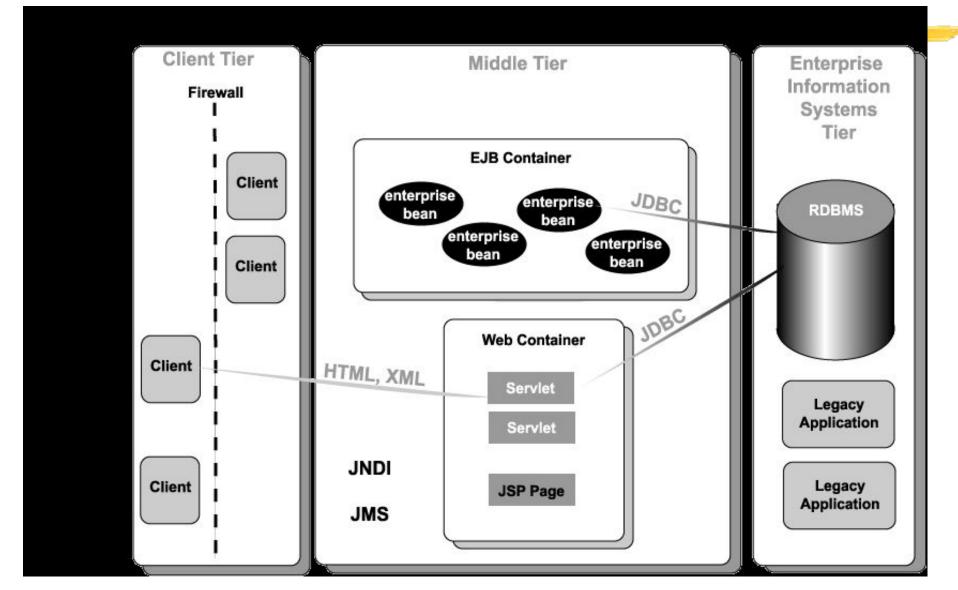
JINI summary

- Federate devices and software components into a single, dynamic distributed system
- **Service:** an entity that can be used by a person, a program, or another service
- Lookup Service: discovery, join, lookup
- RMI: Remote Method Invocation
- Security: principal, access control list
- Leasing: a grant of guaranteed access over a time period
- Transactions
- Events

Java-based Enterprise Platforms and Middleware

J2EE and EJB

J2EE Architecture

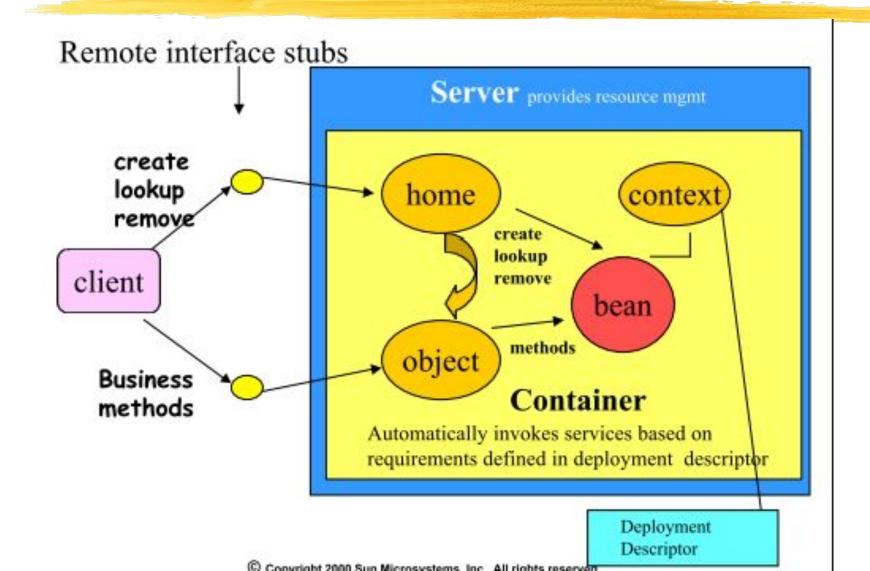


Enterprise JavaBeans

A Server side distributed transaction component architecture (for J2EE)

- Encapsulates business logic and data in a container
- integrates directory services, configuration, security, transactions etc..
- Standard component model for application servers
- EJB enables rapid and simplified development of distributed, transactional, secure and portable Java applications.

EJB Architecture



Remote Interface

- WebAddressAccount.java
 - defines the business methods that a client may call. The business methods are implemented in the enterprise bean code

```
public interface WebAddressAccount extends EJBObject {
   public String getUrlName();
   public String getUrlDescript();
}
```

Home Interface

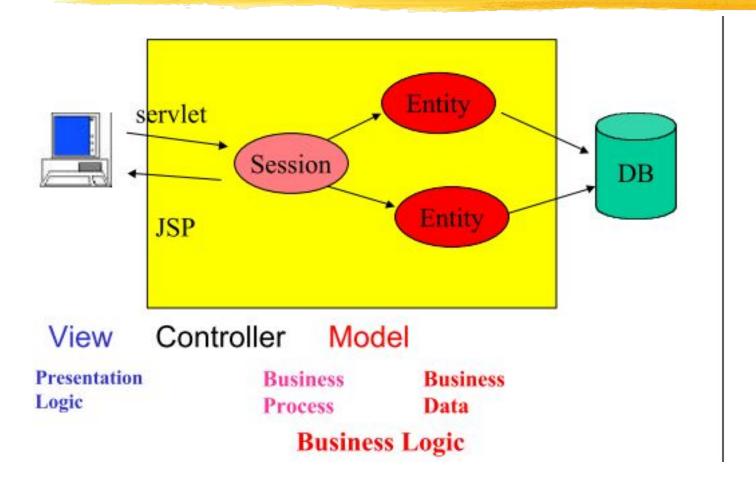
- WebAddressAccountHome.java
 - defines the methods that allow a client to create, find, or remove an enterprise bean
- public interface WebAddressAccountHome extends EJBHome
- public WebAddressAccount create(String urlName, String urlDescript);
- public WebAddressAccount findByPrimaryKey(String urlName);
- }

Enterprise Bean Class

- WebAddressAccountBean.java
 - implements the business methods

```
public class WebAddressAccountBean implements EntityBean {
    public String getUrlName() { return urlName; }
    public String getUrlDescript() { return urlDescript; }
    public String ejbCreate( String urlName, String urlDescript) {
        insertRow( urlName, urlDescript);
    }
    public String ejbFindByPrimaryKey(String primaryKey) {
        result = selectByPrimaryKey(primaryKey);
    }
}
```

Thin Client Design Model



Later -- Message Driven Beans that talked to messaging platforms or backend databases; entity beans integrated into persistence architecture (JPA)

Session Beans

- Represents business rules or process
- Perform work for individual clients on the server
- Encapsulate complex business logic
- Can coordinate transactional work on multiple entity beans
- 2 types: Stateful and Stateless
 - Stateful: session bean holds client state data

Entity Beans

- Represents business model data
- Persisted in storage system (usually Database)
- Might contain Application logic intrinsic to entity
- Maps business data to java class

EJB Application Usecase

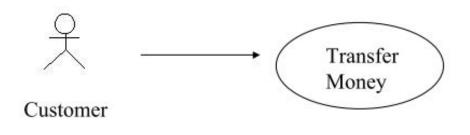
Session Beans

Distributed Airline Travel Reservation System

Entity Beans

Client Passenger Travel Agent Seat Client Flight Scheduler Plane Client Flight Route

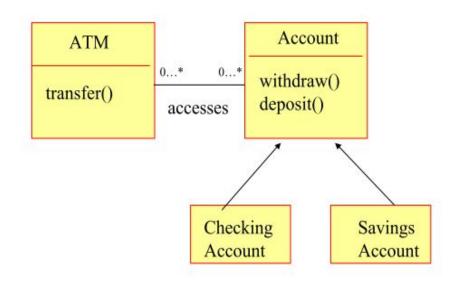
EJB Use Case Banking System

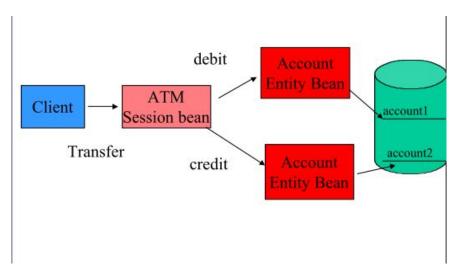


ATM Customer transfers money from checking to savings account

Classes

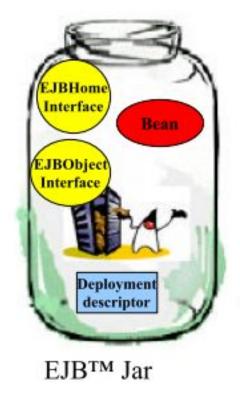
EJB Representation

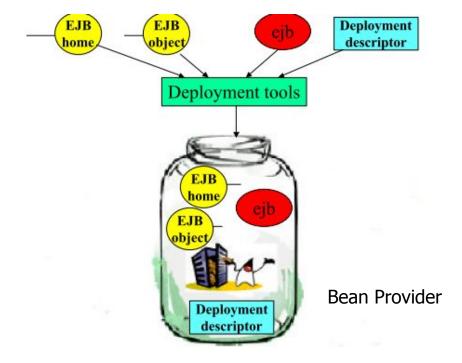




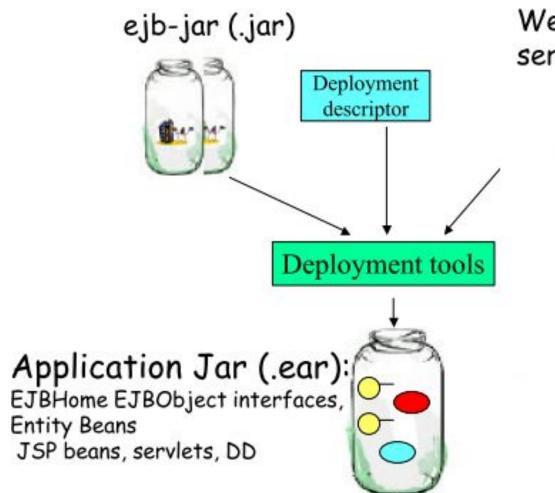
EJB Packaging

- Packed in a jar file
- Factory
- Proxy
- XML Deployment Descriptor





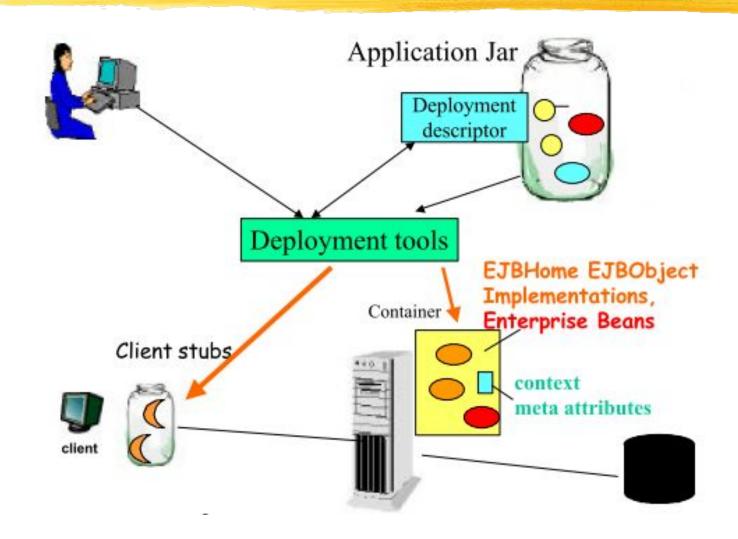
Application Assembler



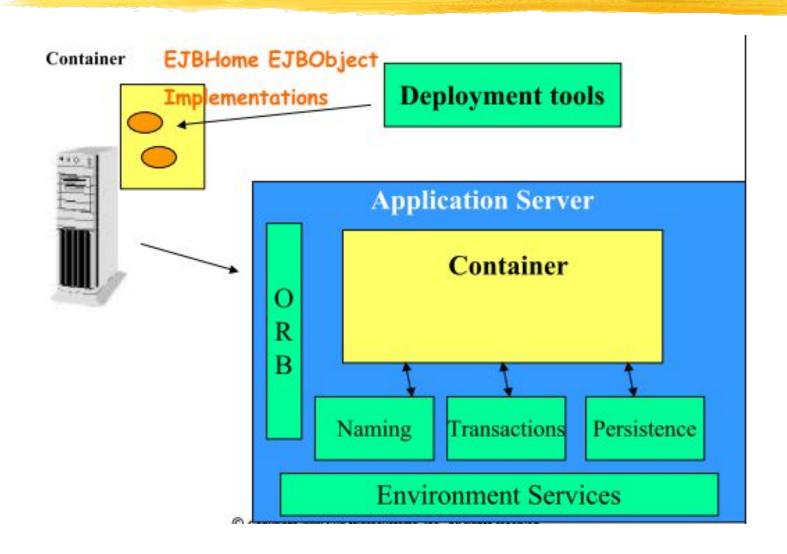
Web jars (.war): servlets, JSP...



Deployer



Service/ Container Provider



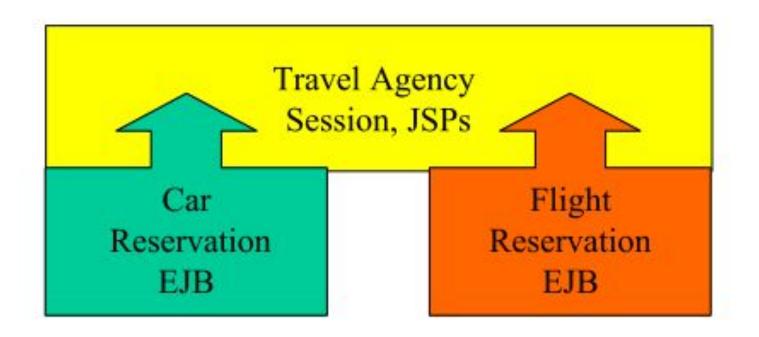
Travel Reservation System: Bean Provider

Hertz Bean Provider Creates Car Reservation EJB(s) Delta Bean Provider Creates flight Reservation EJB(s)

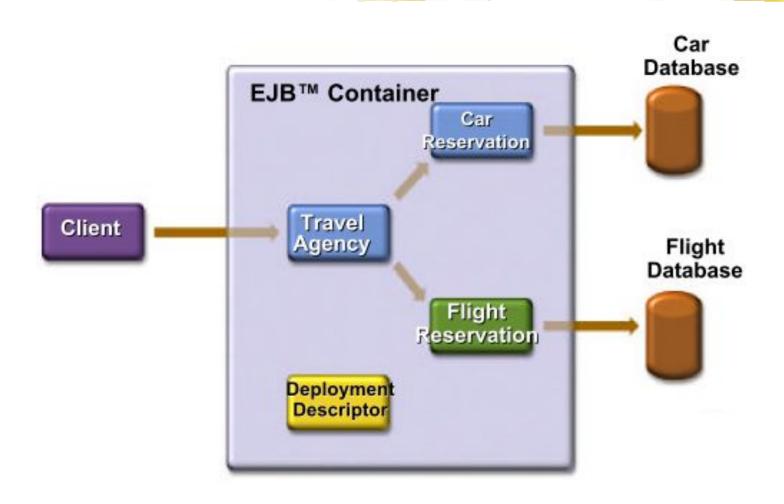




Application Assembler



Deployment in a target container



Features

- Portable
- Contained and Managed at Runtime
- Simplifies the complexity of building n-tier application
- Scalable & distributable
- Easy to upgrade and maintain

J2EE Motivation

- New multi-tier enterprise computing model in web environment
- A way to bring in different elements of enterprise application:
 - Web interface design
 - Transaction processing
 - Meeting non-functional system requirements:
 - Availability, reliability, extensibility, performance, scalability, reusability, interoperability
 - Timely development and deployment

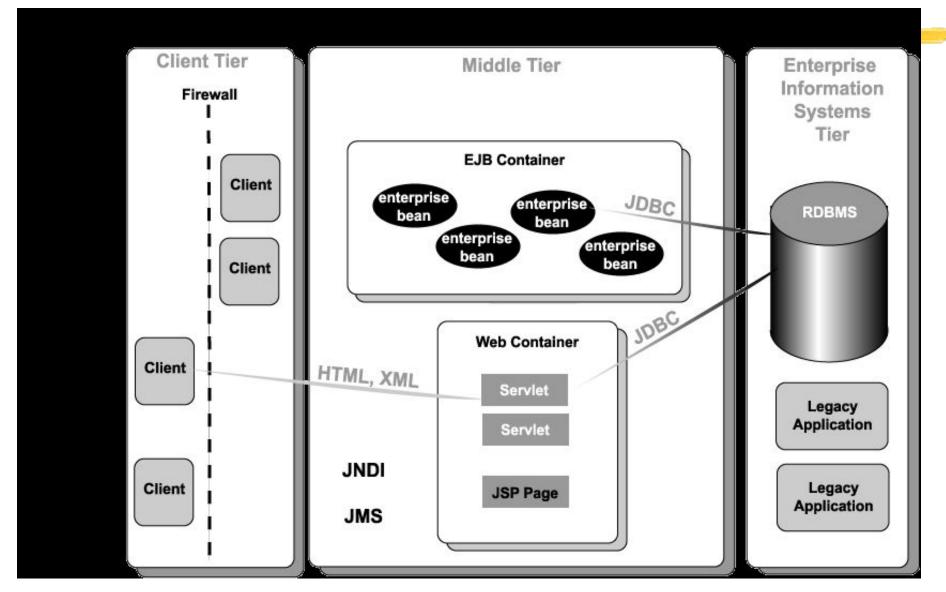
Java Based Enterprise Platforms

- Platform introduced 1999
- J2SE Java 2 Standard Edition
 - Java for the desktop / workstation
 - http://java.sun.com/j2se
- J2ME Java 2 Micro Edition
 - Java for the consumer device
 - http://java.sun.com/j2me
- J2EE Java 2 Enterprise Edition
 - Java for the server
 - http://java.sun.com/j2ee

What is J2EE?

- A Multi-tiered distributed application model
- A collection of Standards: JDBC, JNDI, JMX, JMS
- A Component Technology: EJB
- An Application Server

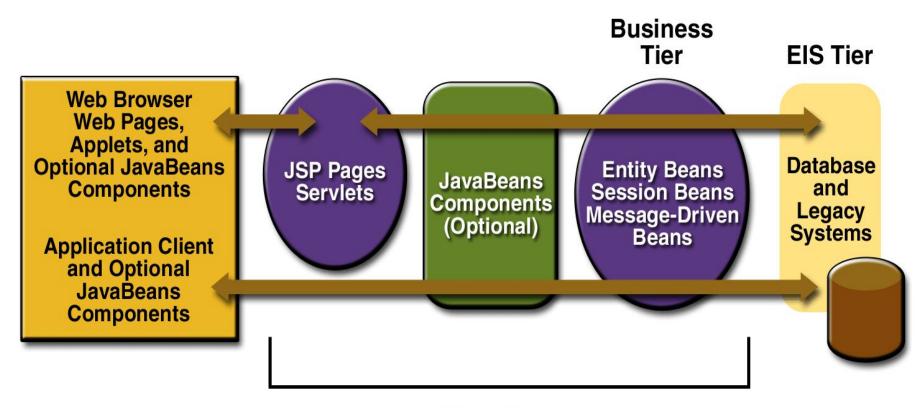
J2EE Architecture



J2EE Tiers

- Client Presentation
 - ☐ HTML or Java applets deployed in Browser
 - XML documentations transmitted through HTTP
 - Java clients running in Client Java Virtual Machine (JVM)
- Presentation Logic
 - Servlets or JavaServer Pages running in web server
- Application Logic
 - Enterprise JavaBeans running in Server

J2EE Tiers



J2EE Server

J2EE Components and Services

Components

- Java Servlets
- JavaServer Pages (JSP)
- Enterprise JavaBeans (EJB)
- Standard services & supporting technologies
 - Java database connectivity(JDBC) data access API
 - Java Messaging Service (JMS) (Remote Method Invocations (RMI))
 - Extensible Markup Languages(XML)
 - JavaIDL (Interface Description Language)
 - JavaMail
 - Java Security
 - CORBA technology
 - Design Patterns

J2EE Clients

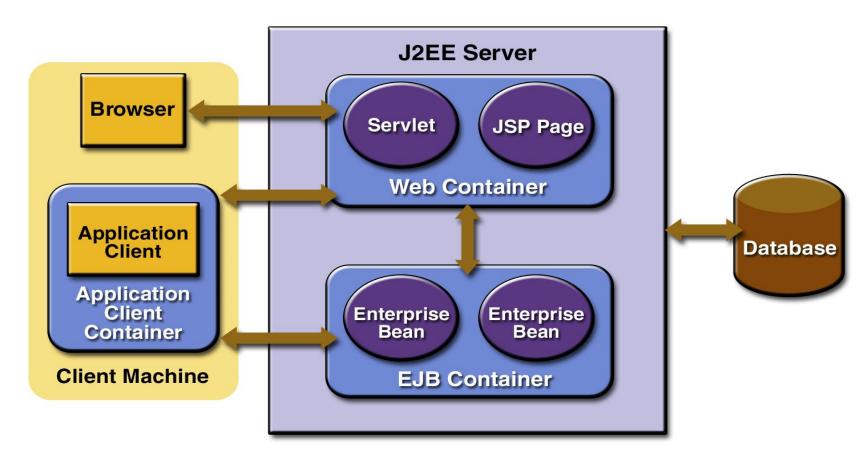
- Web Clients (thin clients): dynamic web pages and a web browser
- Applets: Client application in Java that runs on JVM on the web browser
- Application Clients: Runs on a client machine to provide a way for users to handle tasks that require a richer user interface

Enterprise Information System Tier

- Information Infrastructure for an enterprise
- Handles enterprise information system software and includes enterprise infrastructure systems such as enterprise resource planning (ERP)
- Necessary to ensure transactional access to EIS system from various applications

J2EE Containers

An interface between a component and a low-level platform specific functionality



J2EE APIS

- Enterprise JavaBeans Technology 2.0
- JDBC API 2.0
- Java Servlet Technology 2.3
- Java Server Pages Technology 1.2
- Java Message Service 1.0
- Java Naming and Directory Interface 1.2
- Java Transaction API 1.0
- Java Mail API 1.2
- Java API for XML Processing 1.1
- Java Authentication & Authorization Service 1.0

What is Java Servlet?

- Conforms to Java Servlet API in J2EE
- Container managed Web Component
- Generate dynamic response to requests from web based clients
- Synchronize multiple concurrent client request

What is Java Server Pages?

- Conforms to J2EE Web Application
- Web Component that sits on top of Java Servlet mode
- Dynamically generates Web pages based on HTML, XML
- Text based documents describe how to process a request and create a response

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