

Architecting RouteOne CAS Using Java™ 2 Platform, Enterprise Edition (J2EE™), WS, EAI and SSO Technologies Real-World Experience

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Goal of This Talk

What you will learn

Lessons learnt from "real-world" experience in integrating enterprises with Patterns and Web Services

Agenda

Introduction

 Business Background, Architecture Overview Security Architecture J2EE[™] Architecture Web Services Architecture **EAI** Architecture Summary

Business Background

- RouteOne LLC
 - Automotive Credit Aggregation System
- Jointly owned by financial arms of:
 - DaimlerChrysler, Ford, General Motors, Toyota
 - "Captives"
- End users
 - Dealers, Finance & Insurance Managers (F&I)
- Business partners
 - Credit Bureaus, Finance Sources
- Technical partners
 - Sun, Cap Gemini, Covansys, IBM





Architecture: Forces

- Requires many services
 - Credit bureaus, vehicle information, account numbers
 - Web Services with SOA
- Integrate securely with different business processes
 - Single Sign On with SAML
 - Asynchronous Messaging with Web Services stack
 - XML-DSIG
- Integrate with different platforms
 - Open standards and open architecture

Components and Services

Single Sign On	Business Services
J2EE [™] Application	Monitoring Management
Persistence Store	Configuration Management
Web Services	Digital Signature
EAI Server	Exception Handling
Reporting Server	Logging

Application Flow



Persistence Views



Agenda

Introduction



Security Architecture

- SAML, Single Sign On, Digital Signature
- J2EE Architecture
- Web Services Architecture
- EAI Architecture

Summary

SAML Primer

- Security Assertion Markup Language
- OASIS standard
- XML framework for exchanging User Credentials
- Basis for the Liberty Alliance Project
- Supported by many vendors and products
- Standard SSO Profiles and Bindings
 Browsor Artifact Brofile
 Browsor POST Brofile
 - Browser Artifact Profile, Browser POST Profile

Single Sign On



Business Context and XML-Dsig

- XML signature (XML-Dsig)
 - Digital signatures for XML documents
 - W3C standard
- Provides
 - Message Authenticity (Who sent this message?)
 - Message Integrity (Is this what was sent?)
 - Non-Repudiation (Can the sender deny sending this message?)
- Supported by many vendors



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Lessons Learned

- Resource Intensive
- Canonicalization style
 - Inclusive or Exclusive
 - Net and WS-Security require Exclusive!
- DSig does not define the trust process
 - KeyInfo provides the hints
- Over SSL provides client-side authentication



Security Architecture

J2EE Architecture



- Patterns, Tiers, Struts Challenges, Aspects

Web Services Architecture

EAI Architecture

Summary

Core J2EE Patterns

- Front Controller
- Transfer Object
- Business Delegate
- Session Façade
- Data Access Object
- View Helper



Presentation Tier Components



Business and Integration Tier Components



Struts–Dispatch Action

- Reduce action classes
- Combine related actions
- Just one Action mapping!

```
<action path="/CustomerAction"
type="CustomerAction"
name="myActionForm"
scope="request"
...
parameter="method"
```



Struts–Mapping Dispatch Action

- Extends DispatchAction
- One URL per method
- Different ActionMappings by method

```
<action path="/DeleteCustomerAction"
type="org.example.CustomerAction"
parameter="delete" ...> .....
</action>
<action path="/SaveCustomerAction"
type="org.example.CustomerAction"
parameter="save"
validate="true" ...> ......
</action>
```

Struts–Coupling Action

- Using an Action to Post-Process and Pre-Process
- Creates tight coupling to the navigation



Action with PreProcess and PostProcess methods



Distributed Application Management

Configuration Management–Drivers

- Using open source JFig Framework
- Drivers
 - Different Components
 - Environment
 - Development, Integration, Production...
 - Remote vs. Local Deployment
 - Container vs. Standalone
 - Clustering

Distributed Application Management

JFig Config File

<configuration>
<include name="base.config.xml"/>
<section name="locs">
<entry key="instance" value="development" />
</section>
<section name="paths">
<entry key="config_dir" value="d:/[locs]{instance}/config/" />
</section>
</configuration>

Base

Configuration

ConfigurationManager.getProperties(sectionName, key) delegate JFig.getInstance().getValue(sectionName, key)



Distributed Application Management

Monitoring and Notification–Drivers

- Opportunity Cost
 - Availability of external system
- Dynamic Application Configuration
 - Profiles
 - End points
- Dynamic Application Monitoring
 - Credit applications/messages in a queue
 - Number of error/fault messages



Introduction Security Architecture J2EE Architecture Web Services Architecture Document Literal, Interceptors **EAI** Architecture Summary



Web Services Architecture

RPC Web Services

- Synchronous and Asynchronous
- SOAP based and WSDL described
- Extensible through Web Services Stack
 - Security
 - Reliability
- Payload is an automotive standard — STAR

Web Services Architecture

Challenges with exchange of Document/Literal

- Pros
 - Industry standards are schemas
 - Coarse grained data exchange
- Cons
 - Not as widely supported as RPC/Encoded
 - Tool support to generate the WSDL?
- Solution
 - Define the interface with return type String
 - Serialize the DOM as Base64
 - Out of band agreement on the schema

Web Services Architecture

Interceptors and Handlers



- Interceptors use Handlers to perform
 - Validations
 - Digital signing
 - Auditing
 - Logging

Introduction **Web Services** EAI Security Architecture J2EE Architecture Web Services Architecture **EAI** Architecture -Messages, Patterns, SQLX, Shredding XML Summary

Security

J2EE

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EAI Architecture

Messages

- Asynchronous Document/Literal Messages
 - Credit Application, Credit Decision, Text Messages, Credit Bureau Reports
- HTTPs or MQ Series
- SOAP 1.1 Envelope and Faults
- Internally a series of JMS Queues and Listeners
- Messages are digitally signed (XML-DSig)

EAI Architecture

Patterns

- Claim Check
- Content-Based Router
- Normalizer
- Content Enricher
- Envelope Wrapper
- Message History
- Messaging Mapper
- Dead Letter Channel



From 2 Gurus (Hohpe & Woolf)

EAI Architecture

SQLX

- SQLX group
- Members include most RDBMS vendors
- SQL Functions to output XML

```
SELECT XMLELEMENT ("person",
XMLATTRIBUTES (sex AS sex), XMLFOREST (
firstname || ',' || lastname AS "name",
contact AS "email") )
FROM ...
```

<person sex="M"> <name>GKrisna</name> <email>gk@routeone.com</email> </person>

EAI Architecture Shredding XML into a RDBMS **XML** Document Validate Schema Xerces Unmarshall into a Composite Object Castor Persist using ORM **RDBMS** Hibernate



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Summary

We learned how to integrate Enterprises with...

- Standards-based SSO, XML-DSig
- Struts and J2EE patterns
- Document/Literal SOAP-RPC
- EAI Patterns
- Services for common Aspects of J2EE and EAI systems

Conclusion

Lessons learnt from "real-world" experience in integrating enterprises with Patterns and Web Services

For More Information

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