

# LDAP

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# Agenda

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- > Introduction
  - LDAP: history, objectives and overview
  - Tools: servers, browsers, APIs and libraries
- > LDAP: the data model
  - Hierarchical organization, naming
  - Core concepts: DIT, entry, attribute, class, schema
- > LDAP: the protocol
  - Principles, operations and the LDIF data format
- > LDAP: the infrastructure
  - Distribution and replication
  - Commands, filters, etc.
- > LDAP with Java: Java Naming & Directory Interface (JNDI)
  - Authentication, query, data manipulation

# Références

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- > LDAP for Rocket Scientists (ZYTRAX, Inc.)
  - <http://www.zytrax.com/books/ldap/>
- > Redbook IBM
  - <http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg244986.html>
- > Tutorials and presentations
  - <http://quark.humbug.org.au/publications/ldap/>
  - <http://www.it-sudparis.eu/s2ia/user/procacci/ldap/>
  - <http://www.hawaii.edu/its/brownbags-trainings/ldap/>
- > RFCs
  - <http://www.mozilla.org/directory/standards.html>
- > OpenDJ
  - <http://forgerock.com/products/open-identity-stack/openssl/>
  - <http://opendj.forgerock.org/>
- > LDAP Clients
  - <http://directory.apache.org/studio/>
  - <http://www-unix.mcs.anl.gov/~gawor/ldap/>

# Introduction

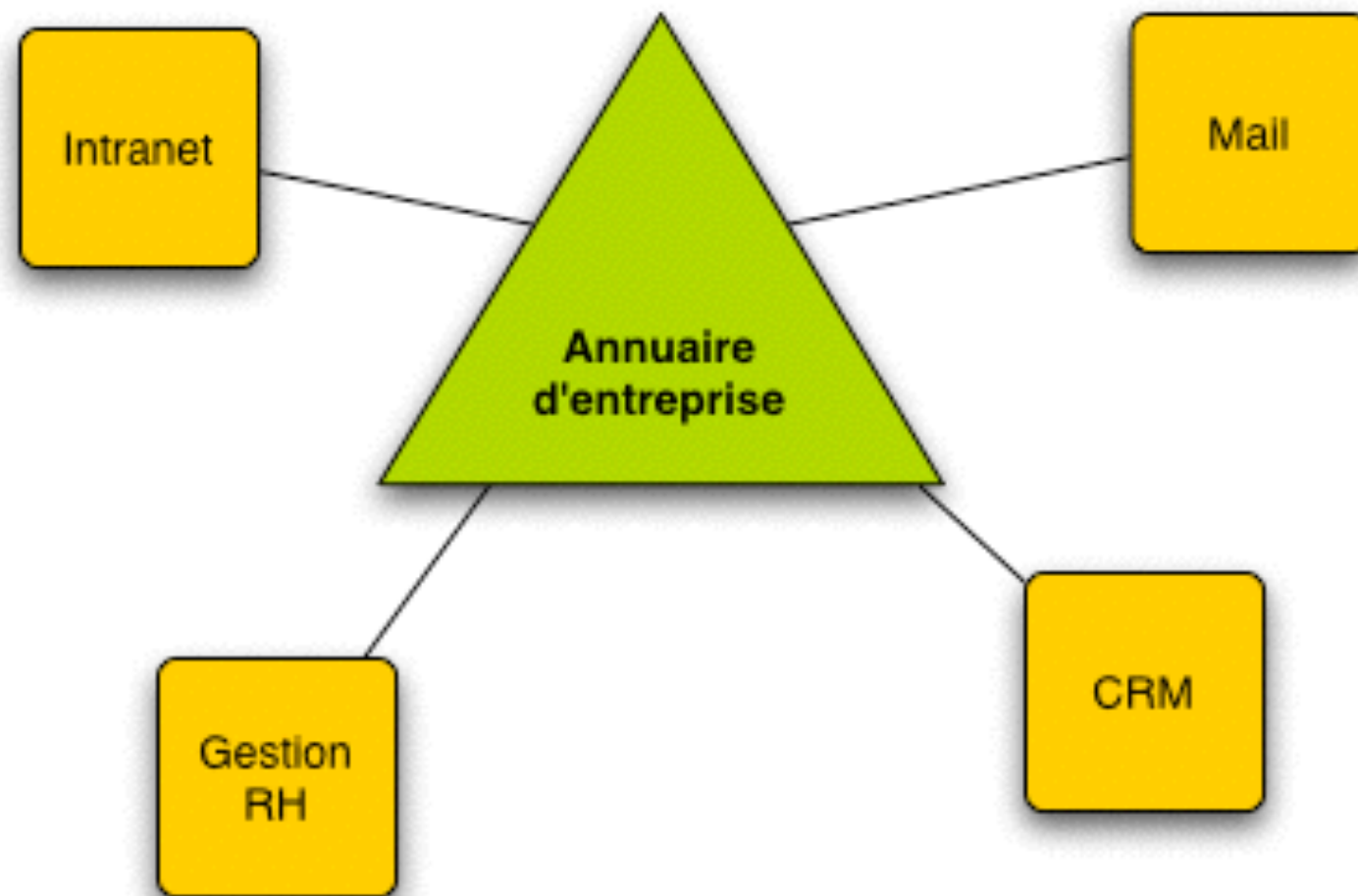
# LDAP: a Directory Service

- > Late 70's
  - Standardisation of directory service by the UIT (X.500).
  - Related to the growing adoption of electronic messaging protocols.
  - Directory Access Protocol (DAP).
- > Late 90's
  - Lightweight (simplified) version of the protocol, based on the TCP/IP stack.
  - University of Michigan, IETF
- > Key functions
  - Fast information lookup
  - Authentication



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# LDAP: Sharing Data in the Enterprise

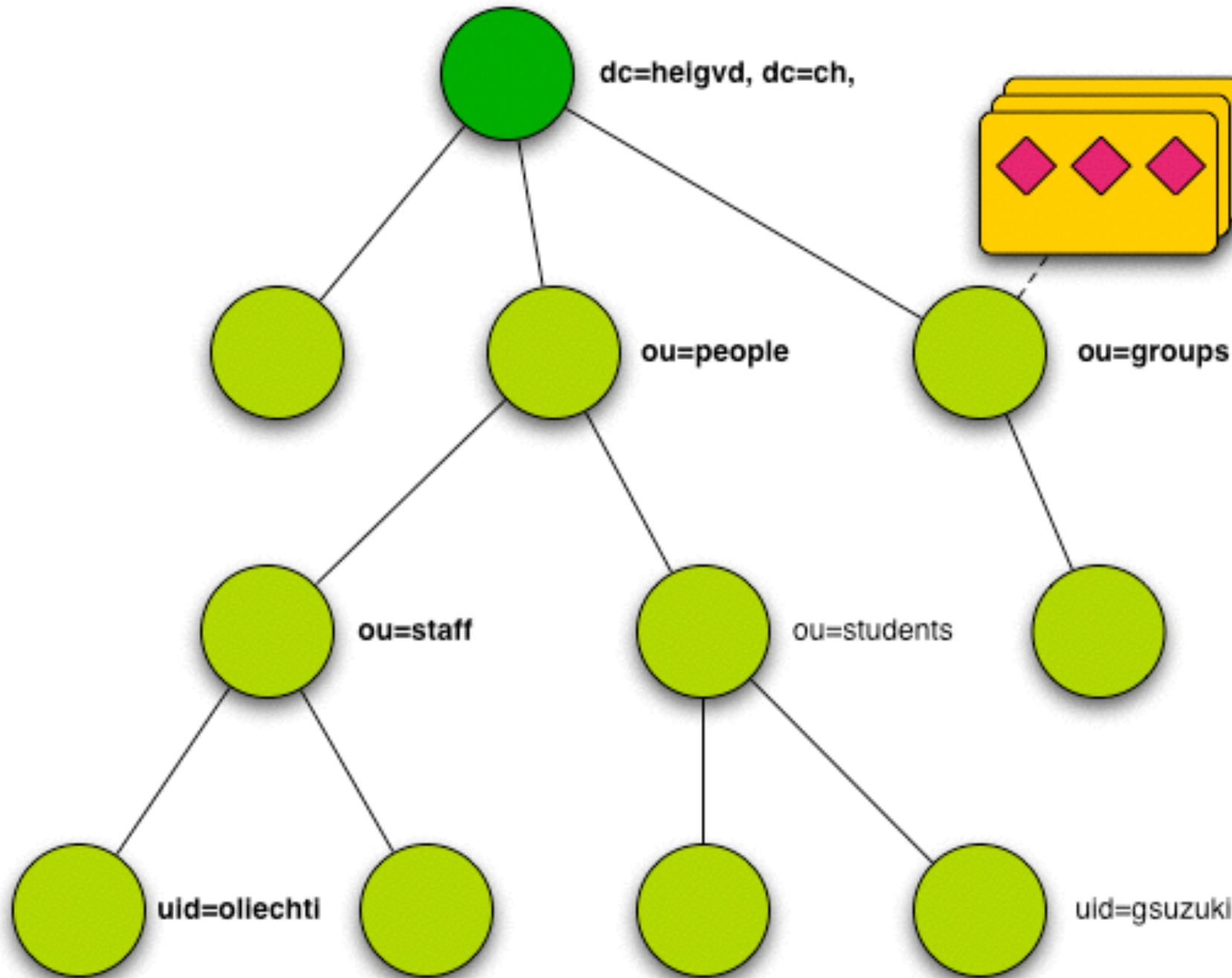


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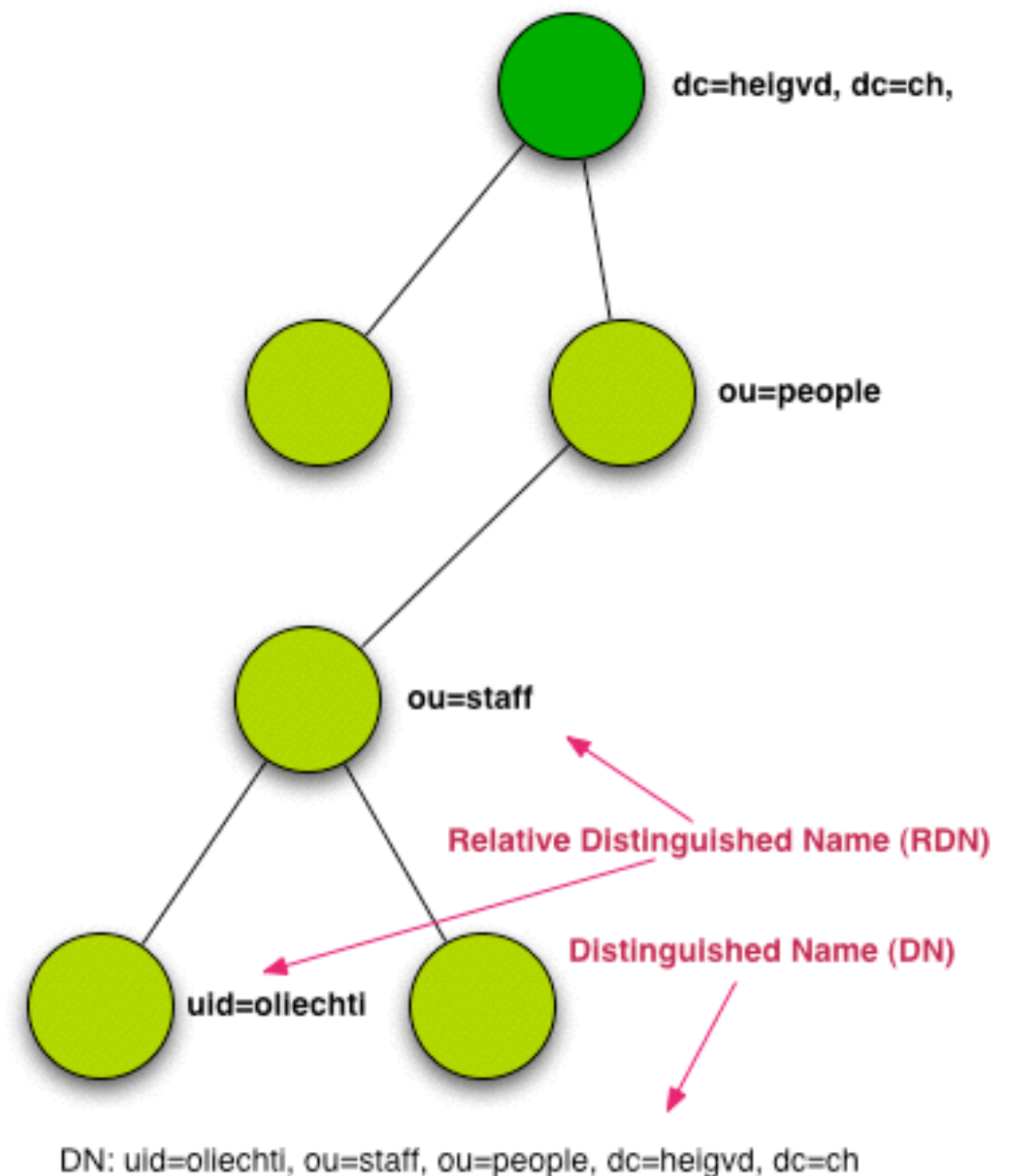


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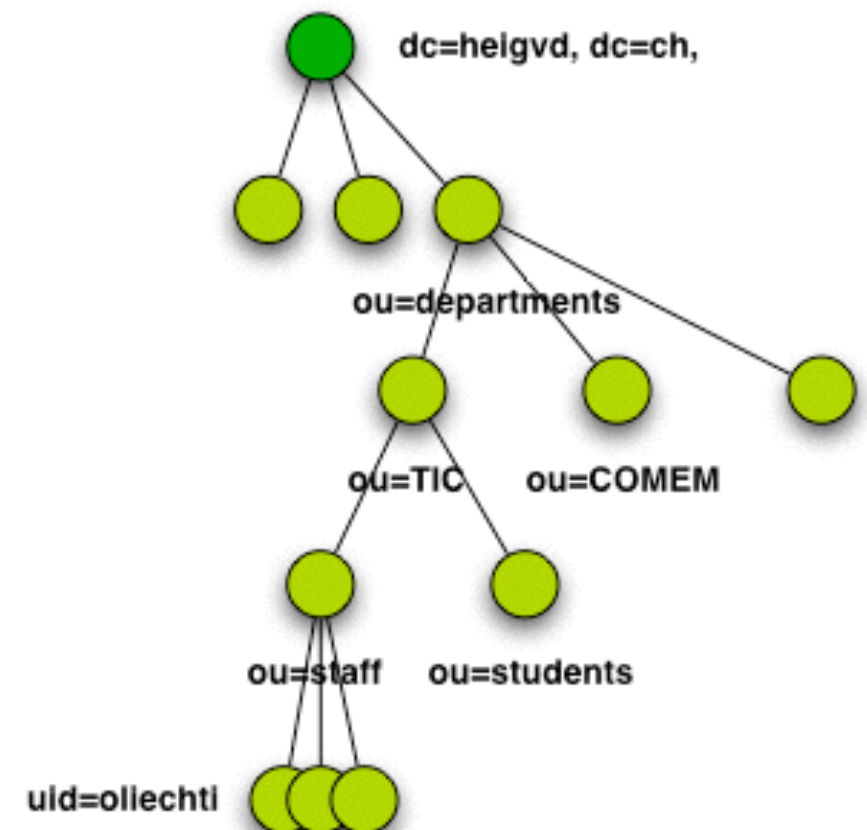
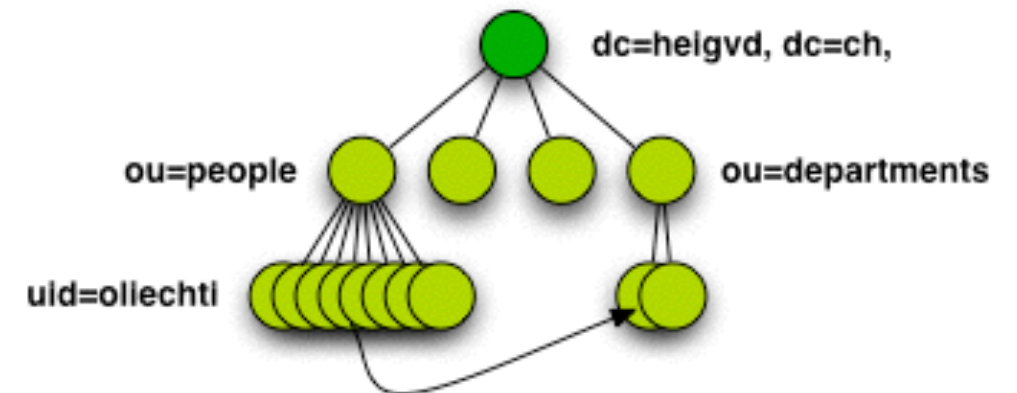
# The Directory Information Tree (DIT)

- > Data is organized hierarchically, in a tree:
  - The “root” is also called “suffix” or “base”.
  - Each node in the tree is an LDAP “entry”.
  - The intermediate nodes are “container” nodes.
- > LDAP entries are named:
  - The **Distinguished Name (DN)** is used to identify and locate an entry in the tree.
  - The DN provides the path from the root to the entry.
  - The **Relative Distinguished Name (RDN)** uniquely identifies an entry among siblings (nodes that are children of the same node)



# How to Structure the DIT

- > What can we store in a directory?
  - People (e.g. employees, customers, partners, etc.)
  - Equipment (e.g. printers, file servers, etc.)
  - Software services (e.g. web services, etc.)
  - Configuration parameters (e.g. of the server itself)
- > When storing people, how do we structure the DIT?
  - Do we reflect the org chart, by department?
  - Do we structure by country?
- > Recommendation
  - A flat structure is much more convenient, flexible and evolvable than a deep one.



# The Notion of Entry

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- > An LDAP “**entry**” LDAP is an object stored in the directory.
- > It is a **node** in the DIT.
- > An entry is uniquely identified by its **Distinguished Name** (DN)
- > An entry is locally (among siblings) identified by its **Relative Distinguished Name** (RDN).
- > The state of an entry is defined by a list of **attributes and attribute values**.
- > The **structure** of an entry (i.e. the list of attributes) is defined in one or more **classes**. The multi-valued **ObjectClass attribute** of an entry is used to specify which classes it is an instance of.
- > Examples of entries:
  - A person, a group, a department, a printer, an online service, a configuration parameter, etc.

# The Notion of Object Class

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- > The notion of LDAP object class is similar to the notion of class in an **object-oriented programming language**.
- > A class is defined by a list of **attributes**
  - some of which are **mandatory**
  - some of which are **optional**
  - some of which are **multivalued**
- > A class can **extend** another one (inheritance)
- > The **RFC 2252** (LDAPv3 Attribute Syntax Definitions) provides the **syntax** to define classes.
- > Many classes have been standardized and specified in RFCs, for example:
  - inetOrgPerson, OrganizationalPerson, Person
  - organizationalUnit
  - groupOfUniqueNames

# Syntax to Define a Class

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```
ObjectClassDescription = "(" whsp
    numericoid whsp          ; ObjectClass identifier
    [ "NAME" qdescrs ]
    [ "DESC" qdstring ]
    [ "OBSOLETE" whsp ]
    [ "SUP" oids ]           ; Superior ObjectClasses
    [ ( "ABSTRACT" / "STRUCTURAL" / "AUXILIARY" ) whsp ]
                                ; default structural
    [ "MUST" oids ]          ; AttributeTypes
    [ "MAY" oids ]           ; AttributeTypes
whsp ")"
```

# Example: inetOrgPerson

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```
objectClasses: ( 2.16.840.1.113730.3.2.2 NAME 'inetOrgPerson'  
  SUP organizationalPerson STRUCTURAL MAY ( audio $ businessCategory $  
  carLicense $ departmentNumber $ displayName $ employeeNumber $ employeeType $  
  givenName $ homePhone $ homePostalAddress $ initials $ jpegPhoto $  
  labeledURI $ mail $ manager $ mobile $ o $ pager $ photo $ roomNumber $  
  secretary $ uid $ userCertificate $ x500UniqueIdentifier $  
  preferredLanguage $ userSMIMECertificate $ userPKCS12 ) X-ORIGIN 'RFC 2798' )
```

# The Notion of Attribute

- > **Attributes** define that state of an entry.
- > Attributes are **referenced in classes**.
- > Attributes have a **type** (String, Binary, etc.).
- > Attributes can be **multivalued**.

```
attributeTypes: ( 0.9.2342.19200300.100.1.41  
  NAME ( 'mobile' 'mobileTelephoneNumber' ) EQUALITY telephoneNumberMatch  
  SUBSTR telephoneNumberSubstringsMatch SYNTAX 1.3.6.1.4.1.1466.115.121.1.50  
  X-ORIGIN 'RFC 4524' )
```

# The Notion of Schema

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- > When deploying an LDAP directory service, one has to specify the **schema** that defines the rules governing the structure of managed data:
  - What are the classes that are supported and that can be used to create entries?
  - What are the attributes that are supported and used to define classes?
  - etc.
- > There are **standard schemas** and when you install an LDAP server, a default one is available to you. Very often, you do not need more and can create entries based on the standard classes and attributes (InetOrgPerson, OrganizationalUnit, etc.).
- > If you have special needs, then you can **extend the schema** with:
  - custom classes (e.g. heigvdPerson)
  - custom attributes (e.g. gapsIdNumber)
- > The procedure for extending the schema depends on the actual LDAP server (OpenDJ, OpenLDAP, Active Directory, etc.)



# Object Identifier (OID)

- > An OID is an **alphanumeric value** that **uniquely identifies** a particular element in a directory schema, such as a **class** or an **attribute**.
- > There are **different ways to obtain an OID** for a schema element:
  - If the schema and directory data is used only for internal purposes, then you can freely define the OID value (as an analogy, think of a private IP network where you can decide for the addressing scheme yourself).
  - If the data is shared with external organizations, then a globally unique OID must be obtained (think of public IP addresses).
- > OIDs are managed by the IANA; the procedure to obtain an OID is easy and simple.

LDAP object classes and attributes require a base object identifier (OID) that must be unique within your organization to avoid naming conflicts in the directory. If you plan to use your directory internally within your organization, use the OIDs provided in the OpenDS directory server. If you plan to export your schema or publicly expose your schema in any way, you should consider entering a request for a unique OID for your organization (see Obtaining a Base OID).

After you have obtained a base OID, you can add branches to it for your organization's object classes and attributes. For example, the OpenDS project uses an assigned base OID of 1.3.6.1.4.1.26027. For each component type, OpenDS provides unique branch numbers to the base OID for each schema component.

**Note:** OpenDS provides a [comprehensive set](#) of OIDs that should be sufficient for most applications. You can also [request OIDs](#) for addition to the OpenDS repository.

For example, OpenDS uses the following base OIDs for each schema component:

OID Value	Type
1.3.6.1.4.1.26027.1.1	Attribute
1.3.6.1.4.1.26027.1.2	Object classes
1.3.6.1.4.1.26027.1.3	Attribute syntaxes
1.3.6.1.4.1.26027.1.4	Matching rules
1.3.6.1.4.1.26027.1.5	Controls
1.3.6.1.4.1.26027.1.6	Extended operations
1.3.6.1.4.1.26027.1.9	General use (Currently, no OIDs are assigned for OpenDS.)
1.3.6.1.4.1.26027.1.999	Experimental use

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PRIVATE ENTERPRISE NUMBERS

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SMI Network Management Private Enterprise Codes:

Prefix: iso.org.dod.internet.private.enterprise (1.3.6.1.4.1)

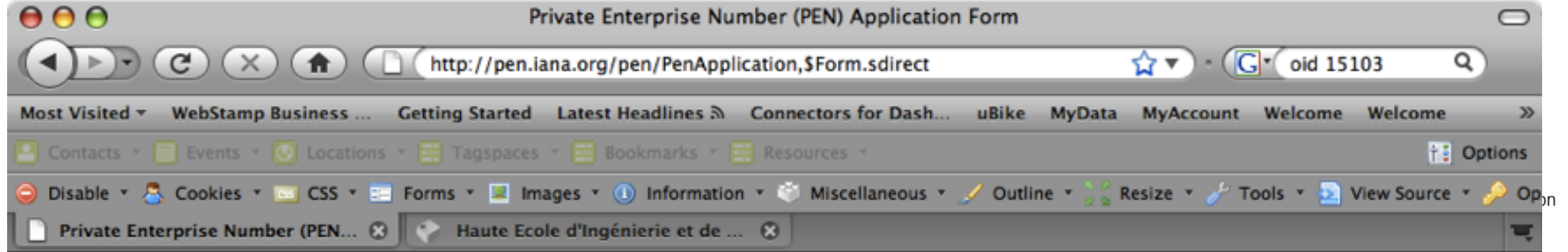
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## Application Information Confirmation

Please verify that the information you have provided is correct and click the "Confirm" button to submit the application for IANA review. If you would like to make corrections to the application you are submitting, click "Make Changes". Click "Cancel" to exit without submitting the information to IANA.

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# How to Manage Your OIDs?

1.3.6.1.4.1. xxx. n.n.n

Prefix: iso.org.dod.internet.private.enterprise (1.3.6.1.4.1)

Prefix assigned by the IANA to the HEIG-Vd

You define the rules for the suffix of the OIDs

.1.\*: test

.2.\*: teaching .2.1.\*: PDA 2.2.\*: RES

.3.\*: research

.4.\*: prod

# LDAP: the Protocol

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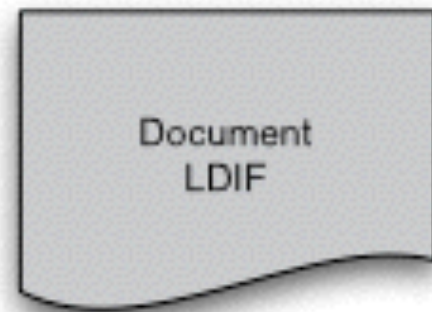
- > LDAP is a client-server protocol
  - Operates on top of TCP
  - Standard port: 389
- > Main LDAP commands
  - **Bind** (authentication and session establishment)
  - **Search** - search for and/or retrieve directory entries
  - **Add** a new entry
  - **Delete** an entry
  - **Modify** an entry
  - **Modify** Distinguished Name (DN) - move or rename an entry
  - **Unbind** (session termination)



# LDAP: the Infrastructure

# LDAP: Components

<http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2849.txt>



Interface "ligne de commande"

Client LDAP (browser)

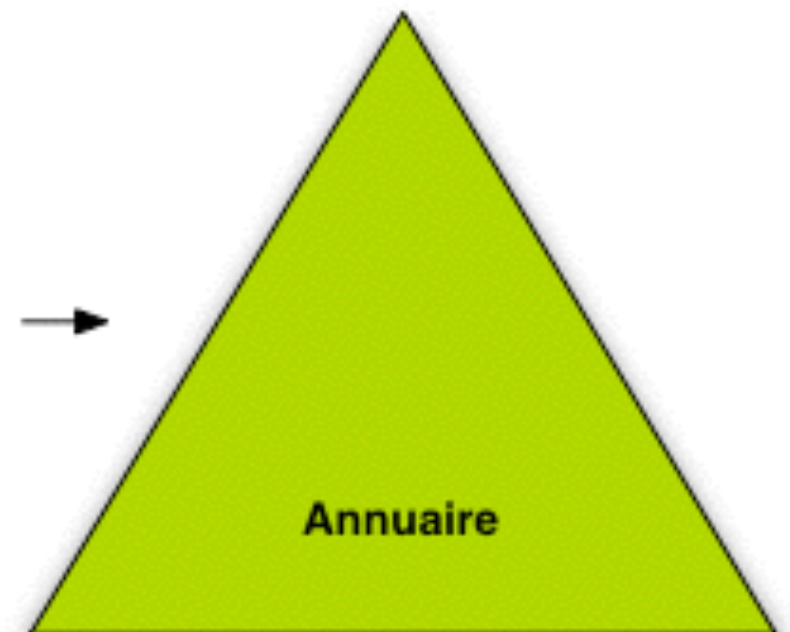
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# LDAPBrowser

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The screenshot displays the LDAP Browser v2.8.2 application window. The title bar reads "LDAP Browser\Editor v2.8.2 - [ldap://localhost:1389/cn=config]". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, LDIF, and Help. The toolbar contains icons for file operations and navigation. The left pane shows a tree view of LDAP entries, with "cn=Directory Manager" selected. The right pane displays the configuration details for this entry in a table format.

Attribute	Value
ds-cfg-alternate-bind-dn	cn=Directory Manager
userPassword	BINARY (105b)
givenName	Directory
objectClass	inetOrgPerson
objectClass	person
objectClass	
objectClass	
sn	
cn	

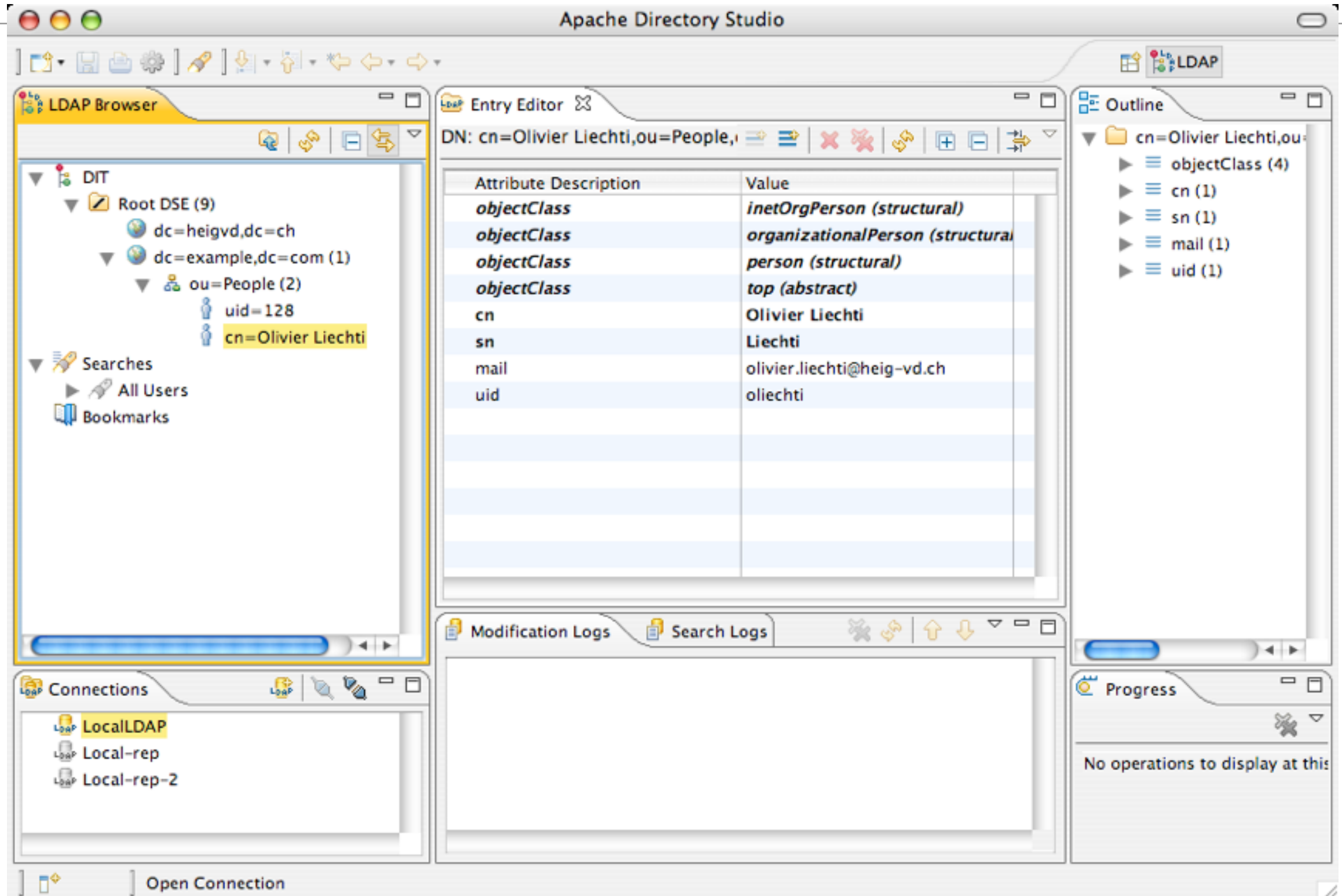
An "Edit Session" dialog box is open in the foreground, showing connection and user information. It has tabs for Name, Connection, and Options. The "Connection" tab is active, displaying fields for Host (localhost), Port (1389), Version (3), Base DN (cn=config), and a "Fetch DNS" button. There are checkboxes for SSL and Anonymous bind. The "User Info" section shows User DN (cn=directory manager), Password (masked with asterisks), and an "append base DN" checkbox. "Save" and "Cancel" buttons are at the bottom right of the dialog.

Ready.

# Apache Directory Studio

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# OpenDS & OpenDJ

# OpenDS

- > OpenDS is an LDAP server:
  - developed in Open Source, with the support of Sun Microsystems (now Oracle)
  - 100% Java
  - “Embeddable” in applications
- > Installation and setup is very easy
  - via Java WebStart
  - File structure is straightforward
- > Yet, OpenDS is “enterprise-ready”
  - replication
  - performance
- > OpenDS makes it possible to quickly and easily experiment with LDAP
- > <http://www.opensds.org/>



# OpenDJ

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- > OpenDJ is a fork of OpenDS:
  - developed in Open Source, by ForgeRock
  - 100% Java
  
- > Two web sites:
  - Open source project page: <http://opendj.forgerock.org>
  - ForgeRock product page: <http://forgerock.com/products/open-identity-stack/opendj/>

# Warning!

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- > Many operating systems (Mac OS, Solaris, Linux, etc.) include LDAP commands natively:
    - Example: Mac OS provides `/usr/bin/ldapsearch`
    - These commands are typically in the path
  - > LDAP servers, such as OpenDJ, provide their own commands. They may use the same name (e.g. `ldapsearch`) but accept different options and their own syntax!!!
    - Exemple: `${OPEN_DJ_INSTALL_PATH}/bin/ldapsearch`
    - These commands are not in the path by default
  - > For that reason, when you use LDAP commands:
    - Be careful of which command you are using:
      - `cd ${OPEN_DJ_INSTALL_PATH}/bin/`
      - `./ldapsearch`
    - Is different from:
      - `cd ${OPEN_DJ_INSTALL_PATH}/bin/`
      - `ldapsearch`



# Ldapsearch (1)

> This command is used to submit queries and extract data from the directory

> Syntax:

– ldapsearch [options] [filter] [attributes]

> Key options:

- -h, --host à quel serveur veut-on se connecter?
- -p, --port sur quel port écoute-t-il?
- -D, --bindDN avec quel identité veut-on se connecter?
- -w, --bindPassword avec quel mot de passe (à éviter, penser à `ps`!!)
- -b, --baseDN à partir d'où veut-on faire la recherche?
- -a, --searchScope avec quelle profondeur?
- -T, --dontWrap pour éviter les ruptures de lignes (LDIF)
- --propertiesFilePath pour éviter de saisir toutes les options

> Documentation:

- <http://opendj.forgerock.org/opendj-server/doc/admin-guide/index/ldapsearch-1.html>

# ldapsearch (2)

## > Syntax for LDAP filters

- Defined in RFC 2254
- Operators for filters:

&, |, !

## > Examples:

- Entries for which the attribute **cn** is equal to “Babs Jensen”:

➔ (cn=Babs Jensen)

- Entries for which the attribute **cn** is different from “Tim Howes”:

➔ (! (cn=Tim Howes))

- People whose **family name** is “Jensen” **or** whose first name is “Babs” and **family name** starts with “J”:

➔ (&(objectClass=Person)(|(sn=Jensen)(cn=Babs J\*))

# Ldapsearch (3)

## > Return all entries

- `ldapsearch -h hostname -p 389 -b dc=example,dc=com "(objectclass=*)"`

```
dn: dc=example,dc=com
objectClass: domain
objectClass: top
dc: example
```

```
dn: ou=Groups,dc=example,dc=com
objectClass: organizationalunit
objectClass: top
ou: Groups
```

```
dn: cn=Directory
Administrators,ou=Groups,dc=example,dc=com
objectClass: groupofuniqueNames
objectClass: top
ou: Groups
cn: Directory Administrators
uniqueMember: uid=kvaughan, ou=People, dc=example,dc=com
uniqueMember: uid=rdaugherty, ou=People,
dc=example,dc=com
uniqueMember: uid=hmiller, ou=People, dc=example,dc=com
```

```
dn: uid=scarter,ou=People,dc=example,dc=com
telephonenumber: +1 408 555 4798
```

## > Return only some attributes:

- `ldapsearch -h hostname -p 389 -b dc=example,dc=com "(cn=Sam Carter)" telephoneNumber`

# ldapmodify (1)

- > This command is used to update data in the directory
- > Syntax:
  - `ldapmodify [options] [filter] [attributes]`
- > Key options:
  - `-h, --host` what is the IP address of the server?
  - `-p, --port` on which port is it listening?
  - `-D, --bindDN` what is the DN of the user connecting to the server?
  - `-w, --bindPassword` and his password? (**bad practice!! think about the `ps` command!!**)
  - `-f, --filename` the file containing the LDIF data
- > Two ways to provide LDIF data to the server
  - provide LDIF via the command line + CTRL-D (\*nix) ou CTRL-Z (Win)
  - Use the `-f` option and capture the LDIF data in a file (strongly recommended)
- > Documentation:
  - <http://opendj.forgerock.org/opendj-server/doc/admin-guide/index/ldapmodify-1.html>

# Example: LDIF to add an entry

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```
dn: uid=john.doe,ou=People,dc=example,dc=com
changetype: add
objectClass: top
objectClass: person
objectClass: organizationalPerson
objectClass: inetOrgPerson
uid: john.doe
givenName: John
sn: Doe
cn: John Doe
mail: john.doe@example.com
userPassword: password
```

# Example: LDIF to modify an entry

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dn: uid=john.doe,ou=People,dc=example,dc=com

changetype: modify

replace: description

description: This is the new description for John Doe

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add: mailAlternateAddress

mailAlternateAddress: jdoe@example.com

# Example: LDIF to delete an entry

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```
dn: uid=john.doe,ou=People,dc=example,dc=com  
changetype: delete
```

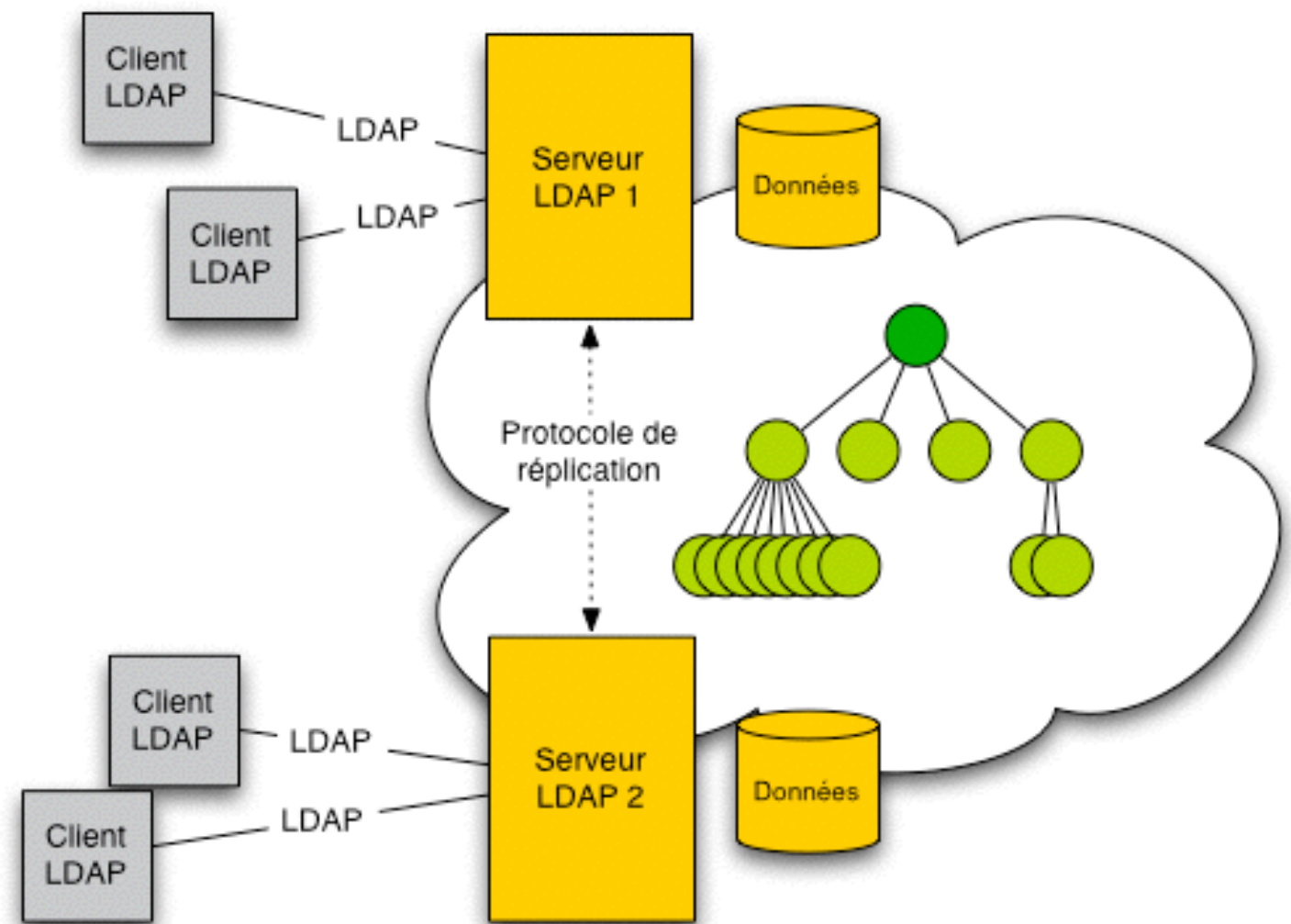
# Replication



# Principles

## > What is LDAP “replication”?

- Several LDAP servers are deployed to provide the directory service:
  - ➔ in the same data center (scalability, availability)
  - ➔ in different data centers, possibly in different countries (performance, latency)
- Data are replicated (copied when updated) between the servers.
- Clients can connect to the “most appropriate” server (either directly or via an LDAP proxy)



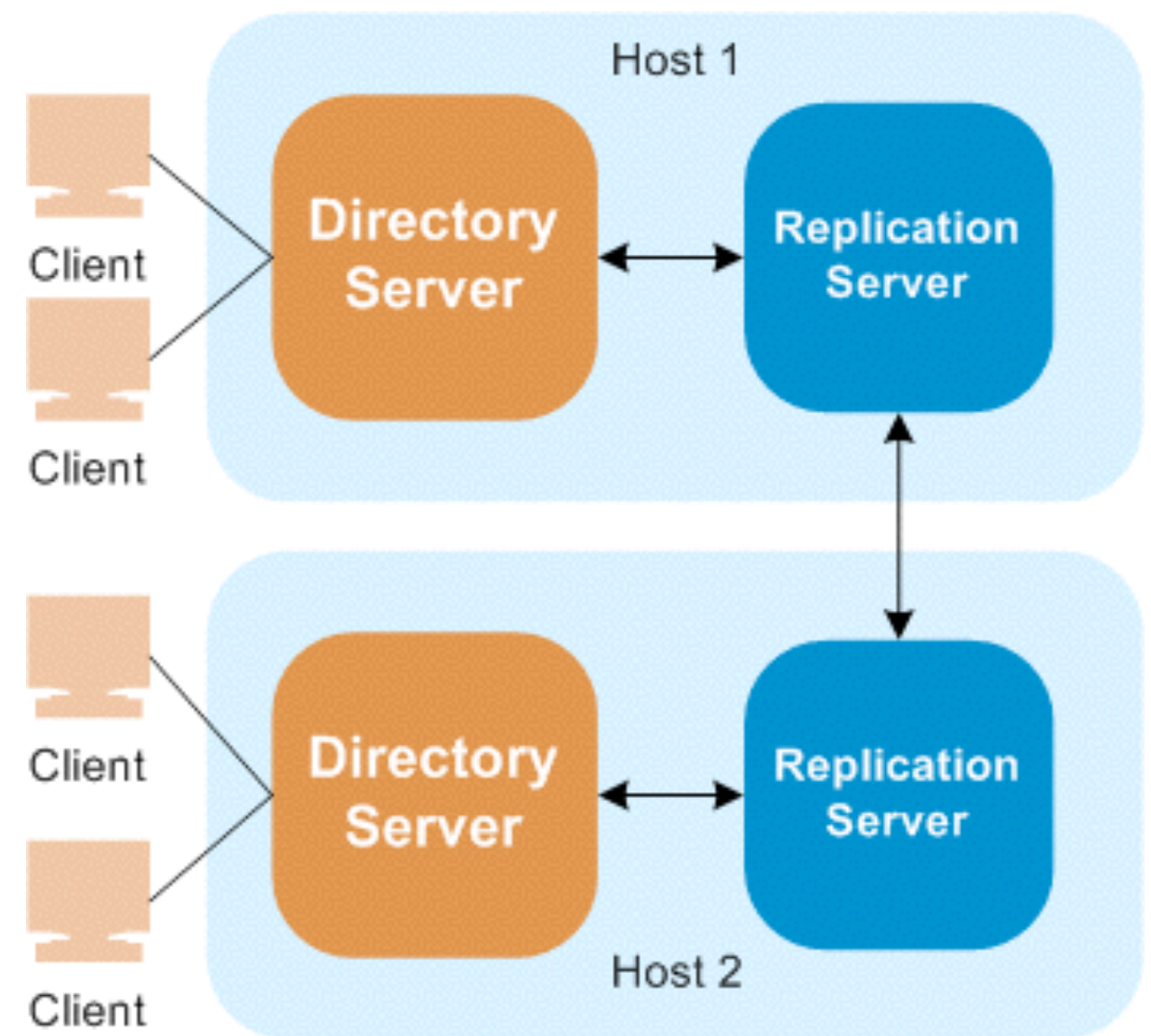
# Principles

> Reasons for using LDAP replication

- To ensure systemic qualities!
- Performance
- Scalability
- Availability

> Different topologies are possible:

- Single Master (1 server accepts write operations)
- Multi Master (write operations can be submitted to multiple servers)



<https://www.opens.org/wiki/page/SmallTopologies>

OpenDS Status Panel

Server Status

Server Run Status: Started 

Stop

Restart

Open Connections: 2

Server Details

Host Name: olivier-liechtis-computer.local

Administrative Users: cn=Directory Manager

Installation Path: /Users/oliechti/OpenDS-rep-2

OpenDS Version: OpenDS Directory Server 1.1.0-build001

Java Version: 1.5.0\_07

Connection Handlers

Address:Port	Protocol	State
0.0.0.0:161	SNMP	Disabled
0.0.0.0:1689	JMX	Disabled
0.0.0.0:3389	LDAP	Enabled
0.0.0.0:636	LDAPS	Disabled

Data Sources

Base DN	Backend ID	Entries	Replication	Missing C
dc=example,dc=com	userRoot	2002	Enabled	0

OpenDS

Quit

OpenDS Status Panel

Server Status

Server Run Status: Started 

Stop

Restart

Open Connections: 3

Server Details

Host Name: olivier-liechtis-computer.local

Administrative Users: cn=Directory Manager

Installation Path: /Users/oliechti/OpenDS-rep

OpenDS Version: OpenDS Directory Server 1.1.0-build001

Java Version: 1.5.0\_07

Connection Handlers

Address:Port	Protocol	State
0.0.0.0:161	SNMP	Disabled
0.0.0.0:1689	JMX	Disabled
0.0.0.0:2389	LDAP	Enabled
0.0.0.0:636	LDAPS	Disabled

Data Sources

Base DN	Backend ID	Entries	Replication	Missing Changes	Age of Oldest Missing Change
dc=example,dc=com	userRoot	2002	Enabled	0	<not available>

OpenDS

Quit

# Replication in OpenDS

```
$ lsof -P -i TCP | grep 89 | grep LISTEN
```

```
java      6145 oliehti   33u  IPv6 0x7a4c46c
java      9527 oliehti   40u  IPv6 0x798da24
java      9527 oliehti   46u  IPv6 0x79beaf0
java      9617 oliehti   41u  IPv6 0x7a2f174
java      9617 oliehti   46u  IPv6 0x7a2dde8
```

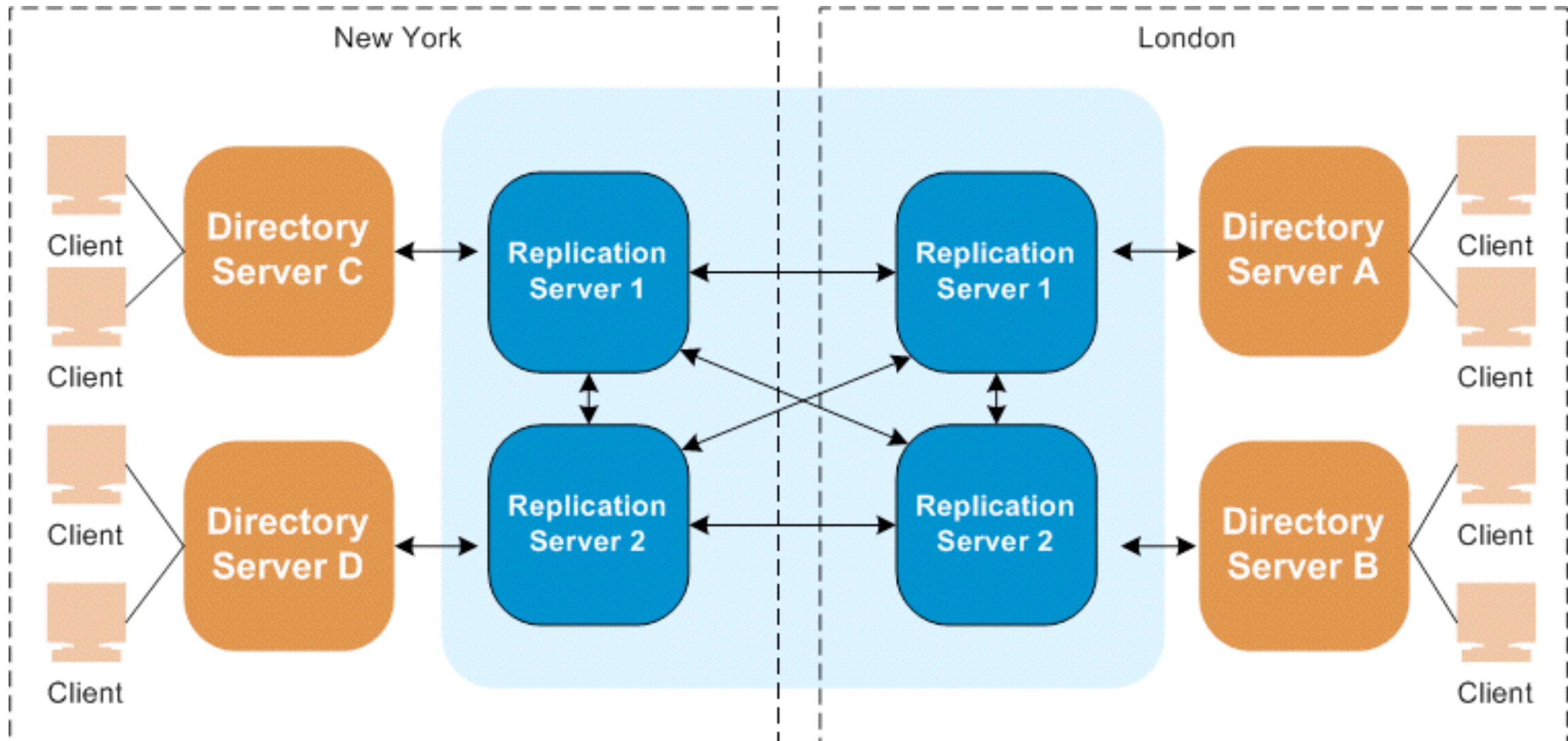
```
0t0  TCP *:1389 (LISTEN)
0t0  TCP *:2389 (LISTEN)
0t0  TCP *:8989 (LISTEN)
0t0  TCP *:3389 (LISTEN)
0t0  TCP *:9989 (LISTEN)
```

replication ports





# Multi-Site Topology



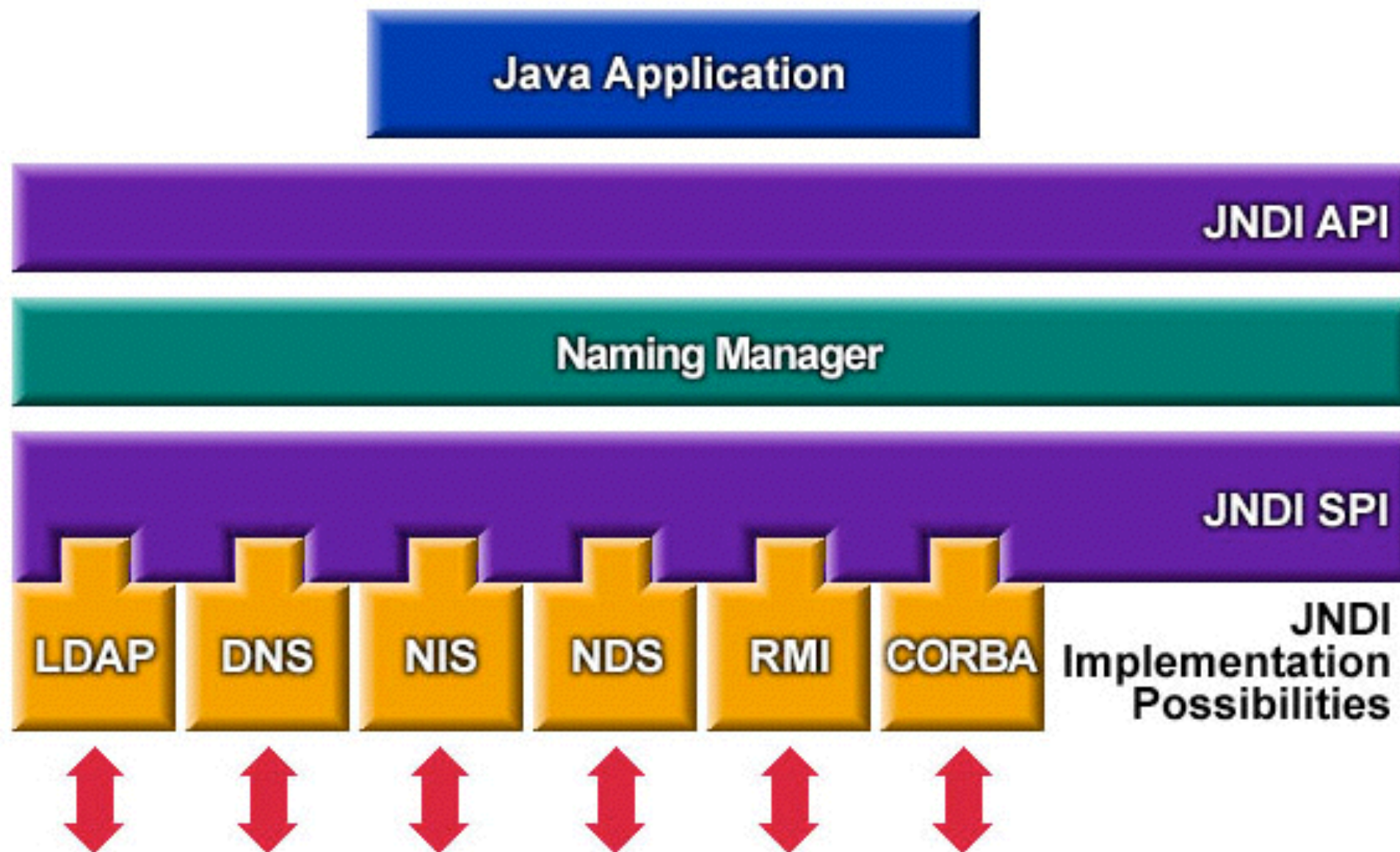
# LDAP with Java

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- > LDAP is one of the application-level protocols that deals with data organized in a hierarchical data structure.
- > Java developers would like:
  - a standard API that they can use for any protocol used to access hierarchical data (LDAP and others)
  - to be able to use this API to interact with any of the LDAP implementation (Active Directory, OpenDJ, OpenLDAP, etc.)
- > In other words, they would like to have **the equivalent of JDBC** (used to talk to different relational database management systems in the same way), but for LDAP servers.
- > JNDI is an answer to this need. The API provides a standardized API to interact with naming and directory services.

# Java Naming and Directory Interface (JNDI)



<http://java.sun.com/products/jndi/tutorial/getStarted/overview/index.html>



# How do I use JNDI?

- > The first step consists of establishing a connection with the directory server.
- > This is done with the `InitialDirContext` class:

```
// Set up the environment for creating the initial context  
Hashtable env = new Hashtable();
```

```
env.put(Context.INITIAL_CONTEXT_FACTORY,  
        "com.sun.jndi.ldap.LdapCtxFactory");
```

```
env.put(Context.PROVIDER_URL,  
        "ldap://localhost:389/o=JNDITutorial");
```

```
DirContext ctx = new InitialDirContext(env);
```

# How do I use the API?

- > Once connected, the API provides abstractions to interact with the naming service.
- > It is possible to navigate in the hierarchy, to access the entries and their attributes. It is also possible to submit LDAP filters via the API.

```
// Create the default search controls
SearchControls ctls = new SearchControls();

// Specify the search filter to match
// Ask for objects that have the attribute "sn" == "Geisel"
// and the "mail" attribute
String filter = "(&(sn=Geisel)(mail=*))";

// Search for objects using the filter
NamingEnumeration answer = ctx.search("ou=People", filter, ctls);
```

# How do I use the API?

- > Here is an example for iterating over all attributes of an entry, and then over all values of each attribute (remember that LDAP attributes can be **multivalued**).

```
// Search for objects using the filter
NamingEnumeration answer = ctx.search("ou=People", filter, ctls);

for (NamingEnumeration ae = answer.getAll(); ae.hasMore();) {
    Attribute attr = (Attribute)ae.next();
    System.out.println("attribute: " + attr.getID());

    /* Print each value */
    for (NamingEnumeration e = attr.getAll(); e.hasMore();
        System.out.println("value: " + e.next()));
}
```