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## **SCENARIO 5: Building Reactive Microservices**

• Purpose: Introduce event based architecture and develop use-cases for reactive microservices

Difficulty: advancedTime: 60-70 minutes

#### Intro

In this scenario, you will learn more about Reactive Microservices using Eclipse Vert.x, one of the runtimes included in Red Hat OpenShift Application Runtimes.

In this scenario you will create three different services that interact using an *EventBus* which also does a REST call to the CatalogService we built in the previous steps.

**NOTE:** To simplify the deployment you will deploy all the services in a single Vert.x Server. However the code is 99% the same if we were to deploy these in separate services.

## What is Reactive?

Reactive is an overloaded term these days. The Oxford dictionary defines reactive as "showing a response to a stimulus." So, reactive software reacts and adapts its behavior based on the stimuli it receives. However, the responsiveness and adaptability promoted by this definition are challenges when programming because the flow of computation isn't controlled by the programmer but by the stimuli. In this chapter, we are going to see how Vert.x helps you be reactive by combining: \* **Reactive programming** - A development model focusing on the observation of data streams, reacting on changes, and propagating them \* **Reactive system** - An architecture style used to build responsive and robust distributed systems based on asynchronous message-passing

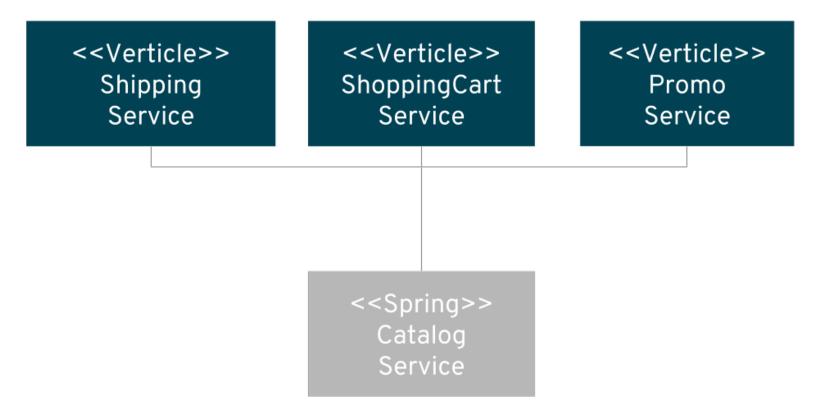


Figure 1: Architecture

## Why Reactive Microservices?

In previous scenarios you've seen that building a single microservices is not very hard, but the traditional procedural programming style requires developers to control the flow of calls. Reactive microservices can be implemented more like "black boxes" where each service is only responsible for reacting to different events.

The asynchronous behavior or reactive systems will also save resources. In synchronous programming, all request processing including a call to another service is *blocking*. A *non-reactive* system typically uses threading to achieve concurrency. In a chain of service calls where service A is calling service B that is calling service C, this means that a thread in service A will block while both B and C are processing. Service B will also block a thread while waiting for service C to return. In a complex Microservices Architecture, any single external request might use hundreds of threads. In a reactive system, network calls are typically asynchronous, meaning that requests sent to other services won't block the main thread, resulting in less resource utilization and better performance.

## What is Eclipse Vert.x?



Figure 2: Local Web Browser Tab

Eclipse Vert.x is a reactive toolkit for the Java Virtual Machine that is polyglot (e.g., supports multiple programming languages). In this session, we will focus on Java, but it is possible to build the same application in JavaScript, Groovy, Ruby, Ceylon, Scala, or Kotlin.

Eclipse Vert.x is event-driven and non-blocking, which means that applications in Vert.x can handle a lot of concurrent requests using a small number of kernel threads.

• Vert.x lets your app scale with minimal hardware.

- Vert.x is incredibly flexible whether it's network utilities, sophisticated modern web applications, HTTP/REST microservices, high volume event processing or a full-blown back-end message-bus application, Vert.x is a great fit.
- Vert.x is used by many different companies from real-time gaming to banking and everything in between.
- Vert.x is not a restrictive framework or container and we don't tell you a correct way to write an application. Instead, we give you a lot of useful bricks and let you create your app the way you want to.
- Vert.x is fun Enjoy being a developer again. Unlike restrictive traditional application containers, Vert.x gives you incredible power and agility to create compelling, scalable, 21st-century applications the way you want to, with a minimum of fuss, in the language you want.
- Vert.x is lightweight Vert.x core is around 650kB in size.
- Vert.x is fast. Here are some independent numbers.
- Vert.x is **not an application server**. There's no monolithic Vert.x instance into which you deploy applications. You just run your apps wherever you want to.
- Vert.x is modular when you need more bits just add the bits you need and nothing more.
- Vert.x is simple but not simplistic. Vert.x allows you to create powerful apps, simply.
- Vert.x is an ideal choice for creating light-weight, high-performance, microservices.

**NOTE:** There are not enough time in this workshop to cover all aspects and benefits of Reactive, but you will learn the basics and experience some of the benefits.

## **Setup for Exercise**

Run the following commands to set up your environment for this scenario and start in the right directory:

```
#!/usr/bin/env bash

cd ${HOME}/projects/cart
git pull --quiet
```

## **Examine the sample project**

The sample project shows the components of a basic Vert.x project laid out in different subdirectories according to Maven best practices.

#### 1. Examine the Maven project structure.

Click on the tree command below to automatically copy it into the terminal and execute it

tree

```
pom.xml
src
\-- main
    +-- fabric8
    +-- java
         \-- com
             \-- redhat
                 \-- coolstore
                     +-- model
                         +-- Product.java
                         +-- ShoppingCart.java
                         +-- ShoppingCartItem.java
                         \-- impl
                             +-- ProductImpl.java
                             +-- ShoppingCartImpl.java
                              \-- ShoppingCartItemImpl.java
                         +-- Generator.java
                         \-- Transformers.java
        resources
         \-- webroot
             \-- index.html
```

**NOTE:** To generate a similar project skeleton you can visit the Vert.x Starter webpage.

If you have used Maven and Java before this should look familiar. This is how a typical Vert.x Java project would looks like. To save time we have provided the domain model, util classes for transforming and generating item, an index.html, and OpenShift configuration.

The domain model consists of a ShoppingCart which has many ShoppingCartItems which has a one-to-one dependency to Product. The domain also consists of Different Promotions that uses the ShoppingCart state to see if it matches the criteria of the promotion.



Figure 3: Shopping Cart - Domain Model

## Create a web server and a simple rest service

#### What is a verticle?

Verticles — the Building Blocks of Eclipse Vert.x

Vert.x gives you a lot of freedom in how you can shape your application and code. But it also provides bricks to start writing reactive applications. *Verticles* are chunks of code that get deployed and run by Vert.x. An application, such as a microservice, would typically be comprised of many verticles. A verticle typically creates servers or clients, registers a set of Handlers', and encapsulates a part of the business logic of the system.

In Java, a verticle is a class extending the Abstract Verticle class. For example:

```
public class MyVerticle extends AbstractVerticle {
    @Override
    public void start() throws Exception {
        // Executed when the verticle is deployed
    }
    @Override
    public void stop() throws Exception {
        // Executed when the verticle is un-deployed
    }
}
```

## Creating a simple web server that can serve static content

#### 1. Creating your first Verticle

We will start by creating the CartServiceVerticle like this. Create this file and add this code to the src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/CartServiceVerticle.java file:

```
import com.redhat.coolstore.model.Product;
import com.redhat.coolstore.model.ShoppingCart;
import com.redhat.coolstore.model.ShoppingCartItem;
import com.redhat.coolstore.model.impl.ShoppingCartImpl;
import com.redhat.coolstore.model.impl.ShoppingCartItemImpl;
import com.redhat.coolstore.model.impl.ShoppingCartItemImpl;
import com.redhat.coolstore.utils.Generator;
import com.redhat.coolstore.utils.Transformers;
import io.vertx.core.AbstractVerticle;
import io.vertx.core.AsyncResult;
import io.vertx.core.Future;
```

```
import io.vertx.core.Handler;
import io.vertx.core.eventbus.EventBus;
import io.vertx.core.http.HttpHeaders;
import io.vertx.core.json.JsonArray;
import io.vertx.core.json.JsonObject;
import io.vertx.core.logging.Logger;
import io.vertx.core.logging.LoggerFactory;
import io.vertx.ext.web.Router;
import io.vertx.ext.web.RoutingContext;
import io.vertx.ext.web.client.WebClient;
import io.vertx.ext.web.handler.StaticHandler;
import java.util.Map;
import java.util.concurrent.ConcurrentHashMap;
@SuppressWarnings("SameParameterValue")
public class CartServiceVerticle extends AbstractVerticle {
     * This is the HashMap that holds the shopping cart. This should be replace with a replicated ca
    private final static Map<String,ShoppingCart> carts = new ConcurrentHashMap<>();
    private final Logger logger = LoggerFactory.getLogger(CartServiceVerticle.class.getName());
    static {
        carts.put("99999", Generator.generateShoppingCart("99999"));
    @Override
    public void start() {
        logger.info("Starting " + this.getClass().getSimpleName());
        Integer serverPort = config().getInteger("http.port", 10080);
        logger.info("Starting the HTTP Server on port " + serverPort);
    private void sendCart(ShoppingCart cart, RoutingContext rc) {
```

```
sendCart(cart,rc,200);
private void sendCart(ShoppingCart cart, RoutingContext rc, int status) {
    rc.response()
        .setStatusCode(status)
        .putHeader(HttpHeaders.CONTENT_TYPE, "application/json")
        .end(Transformers.shoppingCartToJson(cart).encodePrettily());
private void sendError(RoutingContext rc) {
    sendError("Unknown", rc);
private void sendError(String reason, RoutingContext rc) {
    logger.error("Error processing " + rc.request().method().name() + " request to " + rc.reques
    rc.response().setStatusCode(500).end();
private static ShoppingCart getCart(String cartId) {
    if(carts.containsKey(cartId)) {
        return carts.get(cartId);
    } else {
        ShoppingCart cart = new ShoppingCartImpl();
        cart.setCartId(cartId);
        carts.put(cartId,cart);
        return cart:
```

**WARNING:** Don't remove the TODO markers. These will be used later to add new functionality. There are also some private method that we we will use later when we create our endpoints for the shopping cart.

Currently our verticle doesn't really do anything except logging some info. Let's try it out. Execute:

mvn compile vertx:run

You should see output that looks like this:

```
[INF0] Launching Vert.x Application
[INF0] jan 12, 2018 11:25:40 FM com.redhat.coolstore.CartServiceVerticle
[INF0] INF0: Starting CartServiceVerticle
[INF0] jan 12, 2018 11:25:40 FM com.redhat.coolstore.CartServiceVerticle
[INF0] INF0: Starting the HTTP Server on port 10080
[INF0] jan 12, 2018 11:25:40 FM io.vertx.core.impl.launcher.commands.VertxIsolatedDeployer
[INF0] INF0: Succeeded in deploying verticle
```

**3. Add a router that can serve static content** Now let's add a Web server that can server static content, which only requires three lines of code at the //TODO: Create Router marker:

Create the router object:

```
Router router = Router.router(vertx);
```

Add the route for static content at the //TODO: Create static router marker:

```
router.get("/*").handler(StaticHandler.create());
```

This configure the router to use the StaticHandler (provided by Vert.x) for all GET request.

Create and start the web server listing to the port retrieved from the configuration by adding this to the //TODO: Create HTTP Server marker:

```
vertx.createHttpServer().requestHandler(router::accept).listen(serverPort);
```

Now let's restart the application. Execute:

mvn compile vertx:run

#### 3. Test the static router

Click on the this at

http://localhost:10080 link, which will open another tab or window of your browser pointing to port 10080 on your client.

You should now see an HTML page that looks like this:

# CoolStore Shopping Cart

This shows status of the shopping Carts.

Fetch Carts					
The CoolStore ShoppingCarts					
Cart ID	OrderValue	Retail Price	Number of items		
Fetch Carts					
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Figure 4: Local Web Browser Tab

**NOTE:** The Fetch button doesn't work yet, but we will fix that later in this lab.

## 3. Add a simple REST Handler

Now let's add a simple rest service. Replace the //TODO: Create hello router marker with this code to create and start the web server listing to the port retrieved from the configuration:

Notice that we add this handler above the static router. This is because the order we add routes does matter and if you added "/hello" after "/\*" the hello router would never be used, since the static router is set to take care of all requests. However, since we add the hello router before the static router it will take priority over the static router.

If you've never used Lambda expressions in Java before this might look a bit complex, but it's actually very simple. As we discussed in the intro Vert.x is a Reactive toolkit and the web server is asynchronous and will react to incoming request. In order to register a handler we provide the implementation directly. rc is the input parameter of type RoutingContext and -> indicated that the following is a method implementation. We could have wrapped it in {..}, but since it's only one line it's not required.

It's actually not necessary to set the status, since it will default to HTTP OK (e.g. 200), but for REST services it's recommended to be explicit since different action may return different status codes. We also set the content type to "application/json" so that the request knows what type of content we are returning. Finally we create a simple JsonObject and add a message with value Hello. The encode() method returns a JsonObject encoded as a string. E.g {"message", "Hello"}

#### 3. Test the REST service

Restart the application by running the following in the terminal or in clicking the execute button.

```
mvn compile vertx:run
```

After Vert.x is start execute a curl command in another terminal so like this.

```
curl -X GET http://localhost:10080/hello; echo
```

The response body should be a JSON string {"message": "Hello"}.

## **Congratulations**

You have now successfully created a simple reactive rest service using Eclipse Vert.x.

It only took three lines of code to create an HTTP server that is capable of serving static content using the Vert.x Toolkit and a few lines to add a rest endpoint.

In next step of this scenario, we will discuss a bit a about configuration in Vert.x.

## Setup environment specific configuration

## **Reactive programing**

In the previous step you did a bit of reactive programming, but Vert.x also support using RxJava. RxJava is a Java VM implementation of ReactiveX (Reactive Extensions) a library for composing asynchronous and event-based programs by using observable sequences.

With the introduction of Lambda in Java8 there we don't have to use RxJava for programming in Vert.x, but depending on your preference and experience you might want to use RxJava instead. Everything we do in this lab is possible to also implement using RxJava. However for simplicity and since RxJava is harder to understand for someone that never used it before we will stick with Java8 and Lambda in this lab.

## 1. Configuration and Vert.x

Vert.x has a very powerful configuration library called Vert.x Config. The Config library can read configuration as Properties, Json, YaML, etc and it support a number stores like files, directories, http, git (extension), redis (extension), system properties, environment properties.

The Config library is structured around:

- A **Config Retriever** instantiated and used by the Vert.x application. It configures a set of configuration items in the Configuration Store.
- **Configuration store** defines a location from where the configuration data is read and and a syntax (the configuration is retrieved as a JSON Object by default)

By default you can access the configuration in verticle by calling config().get..., however it does not support environment-specific configuration like for example Spring Boot. If you recall from the previous lab we used different configuration files for local vs OpenShift. If we like the same behavior in Vert.x we need to implement this ourselves.

One thing that can seem a bit strange is that the **Config Retriever** reads the configuration asynchronously. So if we want to change the default behaviour we need to take that into consideration.

Consider the following example.

```
retriever.getConfig((AsyncResult<JsonObject> ar) -> {
    if (ar.succeeded()) {
        JsonObject result = ar.result();
        result.fieldNames().forEach(s -> config().put(s, result.getValue(s)));
    });
}
```

Then in our start method of our Verticle we could run

```
public void start() {
    setupConfiguration(vertx);
    Integer serverPort = config().getInteger("http.port", 10080);
    Router router = Router.router(vertx);
    router.get("/*").handler(StaticHandler.create());
    vertx.createHttpServer().requestHandler(router::accept).listen(serverPort);
}
```

At a first glance this may look like a good way to implement an environment specific configuration. Basically it will use a default config call config-default.json and if we start he application with parameter -Dvertx.profiles.active=[name] it will overload the default config with values from config-[name].json.

#### THIS WILL NOT WORK!

The reason that it doesn't work is that when we calling setupConfiguration() the ConfigStore will execute synchronously, but the actual retrieval of the configuration values is asynchronous and while the program is waiting for async operation like opening a file and read it the start() method will continue to run and when it gets to Integer serverPort = config().getInteger("http.port", 8889); the value has not been populated yet. E.g. the config http.port will fail and the default value of 8889 will always be used.

### 1. Load configuration and other Verticles

One solution to this problem is to load our Verticle from another verticle and pass the configuration as a deployment option.

Let's add a MainVerticle that will load the CartServiceVerticle. Add a src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/Main' file and add the following content:

```
package com.redhat.coolstore;
import io.vertx.config.ConfigRetriever;
import io.vertx.config.ConfigRetrieverOptions;
import io.vertx.config.ConfigStoreOptions;
import io.vertx.core.*;
import io.vertx.core.json.JsonObject;
import java.util.Arrays;
import java.util.concurrent.ArrayBlockingQueue;
import java.util.concurrent.BlockingQueue;
public class MainVerticle extends AbstractVerticle {
   @Override
    public void start() {
        ConfigRetriever.getConfigAsFuture(getRetriever())
            .setHandler(config -> {
                vertx.deployVerticle(
                    CartServiceVerticle.class.getName(),
                    new DeploymentOptions().setConfig(config.result())
                );
            });
    private ConfigRetriever getRetriever() {
        ConfigStoreOptions defaultFileStore = new ConfigStoreOptions()
```

**NOTE:** The MainVerticle deploys the CartServiceVerticle in a handler that will be called after the retriever has read the configuration. It then passes the new configuration as DeploymentOptions to the CartService. Later on we will use this to deploy other Verticles.

**2. Create the configuration file** At the moment we only need one value in the configuration file, but we will add more later.

Copy this into the configuration file src/main/resources/config-default.json:

```
{
    "http.port" : 8082
}
```

Finally we need to tell the vertx-maven-plugin to use the MainVerticle instead of the CartServiceVerticle. In the pom.xml under project->properties there is a tag called <vertx.verticle> that currently specifies the full path to the CartServiceVerticle.

First open the pom.xml

Then Change the <vertx.verticle>com.redhat.coolstore.CartServiceVerticle</vertx.verticle> to <vertx.verticle>com.redhat.coolstore.MainVerticle</vertx.verticle>

#### com.redhat.coolstore.MainVerticle

#### 3. Test the default configuration

Restart the application by running the following in the terminal or in clicking the execute button.

mvn compile vertx:run

In the output you should now see that the server is starting on port 8082 and not 10080 like before.

Click on the **Local Web Browser** tab in the console frame of this browser window, which will open another tab or window of your browser pointing to port 8082 on your client.

CDK Users will not have a **Local Web Browser** tab. Just open the link below:



Figure 5: Local Web Browser Tab

Or use this at

http://localhost:8082 link.

Again you should now see an HTML page that looks like this:

## Congratulations

You have now successfully implemented environment specific configuration. Please note that future version of Eclipse Vert.x will probably include a better way to solve this, but this should have helped you understand a bit of how programming in a reactive world is different then for example Java EE or Spring (Spring 5 now includes some reactive extensions as well).

## CoolStore Shopping Cart

This shows status of the shopping Carts.

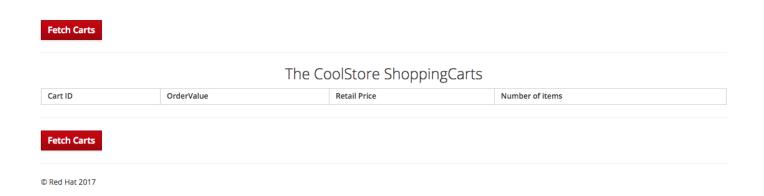


Figure 6: Local Web Browser Tab

In next step of this scenario, we will start implementing our rest endpoints.

## **Create REST endpoints for retrieving carts**

So now that you have learned how to create a rest service and also how to implement environmental specific configuration let's start building our rest endpoints. But before that lets discuss the Router, which is part of Vert.x Web.

The Router in Vert.x is very flexible and makes it easy to deal with complex HTTP routing. Some of the key features of Vert.x-Web include: \* Routing (based on method, path, etc) \* Regular expression pattern matchingfor paths \* Extraction of parameters from paths \* Content negotiation \* Request body handling \* Body size limits \* . . . and much more

In our example we will only use basic GET, POST and DELETE routing. Let's get started with the GET operations.

1. Creating a GET /services/cart endpoint First we are going to create a very simple endpoint that returns a ShopppingCart object as a JSON String using the src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/utils/Transformers.java to get a JsonObject that we can then return as String. Add this code at the //TODO: Add handler for getting a shoppingCart by id marker:

```
private void getCart(RoutingContext rc) {
    logger.info("Retrieved " + rc.request().method().name() + " request to " + rc.request().absolute
    String cartId = rc.pathParam("cartId");
    ShoppingCart cart = getCart(cartId);
    sendCart(cart,rc);
}
```

### 2. Creating a GET /services/carts endpoint that returns all carts

Now let's create a bit more complex implementation that returns many ShoppingCarts as a JSON array.

Open the file src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/utils/Transformers.java and add this code at the //TODO: Add handler for getting a list of shoppingCarts marker:

```
.putHeader(HttpHeaders.CONTENT_TYPE, "application/json")
.end(cartList.encodePrettily());
}
```

The most important line in this method is this:

```
carts.keySet().forEach(cartId ->; cartList.add(Transformers.shoppingCartToJson(carts.get(cartId)))
```

In this lambda expression we are iterating through the list of shopping carts and transforming them to JsonObject using the src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/utils/Transformers.java to get a JsonObject that we add to a JsonArray. We can then return a String encoding of that JsonArray to the response.

#### 3. Add a routes

Open the src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/CartServiceVerticle.java.

Add the first route by adding the following at //TODO: Create cart router marker

```
router.get("/services/cart/:cartId").handler(this::getCart);
```

Add the second route by adding the following at //TODO: Create carts router marker

```
router.get("/services/carts").handler(this::getCarts);
```

The this::getCarts is a lambda reference to the getCarts(RoutingContext). Another way to write this would be like this

```
router.get("/services/carts").handler(rc -> {
   this.getCarts(rc);
});
```

#### 4. Test the new Route

Restart the application by running the following in the terminal or in clicking the execute button.

mvn compile vertx:run

Now test the route with a curl command in the terminal like this:

curl -X GET http://localhost:8082/services/carts; echo

This should print the body of the response that looks somewhat like this. Note that the the content from this is generate from the src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/utils/Transformers.java and will return a random number of products, so you actual content may vary.

Also test getting a single cart curl like this: curl -X GET http://localhost:8082/services/cart/99999; echo

Click on the **Local Web Browser** tab in the console frame of this browser window, which will open another tab or window of your browser pointing to port 8082 on your client.

Or use this at

Figure 7: Local Web Browser Tab

http://localhost:8082 link.

Now the default page should have an entry in the table matching the values for your JSON file above.

# CoolStore Shopping Cart

This shows status of the shopping Carts.



Figure 8: Local Web Browser Tab

## **Congratulations**

You have now successfully implemented the first out of many endpoints that we need to continue to strangle the monolith. You have also learned that <object>::<method> is a convenient way to reference a lambda expression.

In the next step we will implement another endpoint and this time it will also call out to an external service using rest.

## Create REST endpoints for adding and deleting products

In this step we will implement POST operation for adding a product. The UI in Coolstore Monolith uses a POST operation when a user clicks Add to Cart.

The UI will then issue a POST request to /services/cart/<cartId>//<quantity>. However when adding a product to the ShoppingCartItem we need an actual Product object.

So our implementation of this service needs to retrieve a Product object from the CatalogService. Let's get started with this implementation.

#### 1. Add route

Make sure src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/CartServiceVerticle.java is open.

Let's start by adding a router, by adding the following where at the //TODO: Create add router marker in class CartServiceVerticle

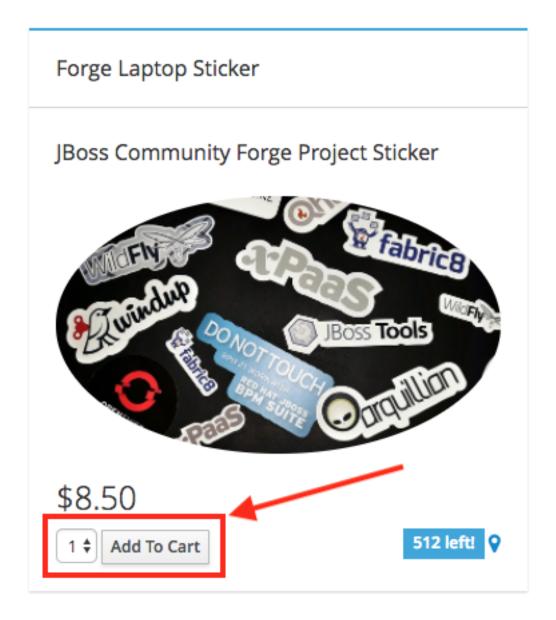


Figure 9: Add To Cart



Figure 10: Add To Cart

router.post("/services/cart/:cartId/:itemId/:quantity").handler(this::addToCart);

#### 2. Create handler for our route

Our newly create route needs a handler. This method should look like this void addCart(RoutingContext rc). The handler should add a product to the shopping cart, but it also have to consider that there might already be product with the same id in the shopping cart already.

Adding the following at the //TODO: Add handler for adding a Item to the cart marker in class CartServiceVerti

```
private void addToCart(RoutingContext rc) {
    logger.info("Retrieved " + rc.request().method().name() + " request to " + rc.request().absolute
    String cartId = rc.pathParam("cartId");
   String itemId = rc.pathParam("itemId");
    int quantity = Integer.parseInt(rc.pathParam("quantity"));
    ShoppingCart cart = getCart(cartId);
    boolean    productAlreadyInCart = cart.getShoppingCartItemList().stream()
        .anyMatch(i -> i.getProduct().getItemId().equals(itemId));
    if(productAlreadyInCart) {
        cart.getShoppingCartItemList().forEach(item -> {
            if (item.getProduct().getItemId().equals(itemId)) {
                item.setQuantity(item.getQuantity() + quantity);
                sendCart(cart,rc); //TODO: update the shipping fee
        });
    } else {
        ShoppingCartItem newItem = new ShoppingCartItemImpl();
        newItem.setQuantity(quantity);
```

We are not completely done with the addToCart method yet. We have a TODO for Getting a product from the CatalogService. Since we do not want to block the thread while waiting for the CatalogService to respond this should be a async operation.

#### 3. Create a Async method for retrieving a Product

Normally in Java you would probably implement this method as Product getProduct(String prodId). However we need this operation to be Async. One way to do this is pass a Handler<AsyncResult<T>> as an argument. T would be replaced with return type we want, which in our case is Product.

For making calls to external HTTP services Vert.x supplies a WebClient. The WebClient methods like get(), post() etc and is very easy to use. In our case we are going to use get and pass in port, hostname and uri. We are also going to set a timeout for the operation. So let's first add those to our configuration.

Copy this into the configuration file src/main/resources/config-default.json:

```
{
    "http.port" : 8082,
    "catalog.service.port" : 8081,
    "catalog.service.hostname" : "localhost",
    "catalog.service.timeout" : 3000
}
```

We are now ready to create our getProduct method

Adding the following at the //TODO: Add method for getting products marker in class CartServiceVerticle

```
private void getProduct(String itemId, Handler<AsyncResult<Product>> resultHandler) {
   WebClient client = WebClient.create(vertx);
   Integer port = config().getInteger("catalog.service.port", 8080);
   String hostname = config().getString("catalog.service.hostname", "localhost");
   Integer timeout = config().getInteger("catalog.service.timeout", 0);
```

```
client.get(port, hostname,"/services/product/"+itemId)
    .timeout(timeout)
    .send(handler -> {
        if(handler.succeeded()) {
            Product product = Transformers.jsonToProduct(handler.result().body().toJsonObject())
            resultHandler.handle(Future.succeededFuture(product));
        } else {
            resultHandler.handle(Future.failedFuture(handler.cause()));
        }
    }
}
```

Now we can call this method from the addToCart method and pass a Lambda call back.

Adding the following at the //TODO: Get product from Catalog service and add it to the ShoppingCartItem

```
this.getProduct(itemId, reply -> {
    if (reply.succeeded()) {
        newItem.setProduct(reply.result());
        cart.addShoppingCartItem(newItem);
        sendCart(cart,rc); //TODO: update the shipping fee, here as well
    } else {
        sendError(rc);
    }
});
```

To summarize our addToCart handler will now first check if the product already exists in the shopping cart. If it does exist we update the quantity and then send the response. If it doesn't exist we call the catalog service to retrieve the data about the product, create a new ShoppingCartItem, set the quantity, add the retrieved product, add it the ShoppingCartItem, add the item to the shopping cart and then finally send the response to the client.

Phew! That wasn't easy... However, in real life thing are never as easy as they sometimes seem to appear. Rather than present you with a set of Hello World demos we believe that it's much more educational to use a more realistic example.

#### 4. Test our changes

Let's first test to update the quantity for a product that is already in the shopping cart

Start the cart service mvn compile vertx:run

Then execute this to test retrieving a specific cart and the quantity of item 329299 in the cart:

```
curl -s http://localhost:8082/services/cart/99999 | grep -A7 "\"itemId\" : \"329299\"" | grep quantity
```

This will return the quantity like below, but the actual number may be different.

```
"quantity" : 3
```

Now let's call our addToCart method.

curl -s -X POST http://localhost:8082/services/cart/99999/329299/1 | grep -A7 "\"itemId\" : \"329299\"" | grep quantity This should now return a shopping cart where one more instance of the product is added, because of our grep commands you would see something like this:

```
"quantity" : 4
```

Now let's try adding a new product.

The CartService depends on the CatalogService and just like in the Spring Boot example we could have created mocks for calling the Catalog Service, however since our example is already complex, we will simply test it with the CatalogService running.

**NOTE:** The CatalogService in it's turn depends on the InventoryService to retrieve the quantity in stock, however since we don't really care about that in the Shopping Cart we will just rely on the Fallback method of CatalogService when testing.

First lets check if the catalog service is still running locally.

```
curl -v http://localhost:8081/services/products 2>&1 | grep "HTTP/1.1 200"
```

If that prints < HTTP/1.1 200 then our service is responding correctly otherwise we need to start the Catalog application in a separate terminal like this:

```
cd ~/projects/catalog; mvn clean spring-boot:run -DskipTests
```

Wait for it to complete. You should see Started RestApplication in xxxxx seconds.

To test to add a product we are going to use a new shopping cart id. Execute:

```
curl -s -X POST http://localhost:8082/services/cart/88888/329299/1; echo
```

This should print the follow:

```
"cartId" : "88888",
"cartTotal" : 34.99,
"retailPrice": 34.99,
"cartItemPromoSavings": 0.0,
"shippingTotal" : 0.0,
"shippingPromoSavings" : 0.0,
"shoppingCartItemList" : [ {
  "product" : {
    "itemId" : "329299",
    "price" : 34.99,
    "name" : "Red Fedora",
    "desc" : "Official Red Hat Fedora",
    "location" : null,
    "link" : null
  },
  "quantity" : 1
} ]
```

**5. Add endpoint for deleting items** Since we are now so skilled in writing endpoints lets go ahead and also create the endpoint for removing a product. The only tricky part about removing is that the request might not remove all products in once. E.g. If we have 10 Red Hat Fedoras and the request just decreases 3 we should not remove the Shopping Cart item, but instead lower the quantity to 7.

Again in the src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/CartServiceVerticle.java file add the following at the //TODO: Add handler for removing an item from the cart

Now let's go ahead and create the route.

Add the following at the //TODO: Create remove router marker in class CartServiceVerticle.start:

router.delete("/services/cart/:cartId/:itemId/:quantity").handler(this::removeShoppingCartItem);

#### 6. Test to remove a product

Let's first test to decreasing the quantity for a product that is already in the shopping cart

Start the cart service mvn compile vertx:run

The run this to get the quantity of item 329299 in the cart:

curl -s http://localhost:8082/services/cart/99999 | grep -A7 "\"itemId\" : \"329299\"" | grep quantity

This will return the quantity like below, but the actual number may be different.

```
"quantity" : 4
```

Now let's call our removeShoppingCartItem method.

```
curl -s -X DELETE http://localhost:8082/services/cart/99999/329299/1 | grep -A7 "\"itemId\" : \ "329299\"" | grep quantity
```

If this results in an empty cart (quantity =0) this command will not return any output.

If you have more than one items remaining in the cart, this will return a shopping cart where one more instance of the product is removed, because of our grep commands you would see something like this.

```
"quantity" : 3
```

## **Congratulations**

Wow! You have now successfully created a Reactive microservices that are calling another REST service asynchronously.

However, looking at the output you can see that the discount and shippingFee is 0.0, which also means that the orderValue (price after shipping and discount) and retailPrice (sum of all products prices) are equal. That is because we haven't implemented the Shipping and Promotional Services yet. That's what we are going to do in the next scenario.

## Using the Vert.x Event Bus for shipping services

In the previous steps we have added more and more functionality to the cart service and when we define our microservices it's often done using a domain model approach. The cart service is central, but we probably do not want it to handle things like calculating shipping fees. In our example we do not have enough data to do a complex shipping service since we lack information about the users shipping address as well as weight of the products etc. It does however make sense to create the shipping service so that if when we have that information we can extend upon it.

Since we are going to implement the Shipping service as another Vert.x Verticle we will not use REST this time. Instead we are going to use the Vert.x Event bus.

#### The Event bus in Vert.x

The event bus is the nervous system of Vert.x.

The event bus allows different parts of your application to communicate with each other irrespective of what language they are written in, and whether they're in the same Vert.x instance, or in a different Vert.x instance.

It can even be bridged to allow client side JavaScript running in a browser to communicate on the same event bus.

The event bus forms a distributed peer-to-peer messaging system spanning multiple server nodes and multiple browsers.

The event bus supports publish/subscribe, point to point, and request-response messaging.

The event bus API is very simple. It basically involves registering handlers, unregistering handlers and sending and publishing messages.

Internally the EventBus is an abstraction and Vert.x have several different implementations that can be used depending on demands. Default it uses a local java implementation that can't be shared between different java processes. However, for clustered solutions the event bus can use an distributed in-memory data store like Infinispan (also know as Red Hat JBoss Data Grid) or Hazelcast. There are also work in progress to be able to use a JMS implementation like Apache ActiveMQ (also known as Red Hat AMQ)

**NOTE:** In the near future RHOAR is planned to offer support for Red Hat JBoss Data Grid for clustering use-cases of Vert.x

#### The Event bus API

Let's first discuss some Theory:

**Addressing** Messages are sent on the event bus to an address.

Vert.x doesn't bother with any fancy addressing schemes. In Vert.x an address is simply a string. Any string is valid. However it is wise to use some kind of scheme, e.g. using periods to demarcate a namespace.

Some examples of valid addresses are europe.news.feed1, acme.games.pacman, sausages, and X.

**Handlers** Messages are received in handlers. You register a handler at an address.

Many different handlers can be registered at the same address.

A single handler can be registered at many different addresses.

**Publish / subscribe messaging** The event bus supports publishing messages.

Messages are published to an address. Publishing means delivering the message to all handlers that are registered at that address.

This is the familiar publish/subscribe messaging pattern.

Point to point and Request-Response messaging The event bus also supports point to point messaging.

Messages are sent to an address. Vert.x will then route it to just one of the handlers registered at that address.

If there is more than one handler registered at the address, one will be chosen using a non-strict round-robin algorithm.

With point to point messaging, an optional reply handler can be specified when sending the message.

When a message is received by a recipient, and has been handled, the recipient can optionally decide to reply to the message. If they do so the reply handler will be called.

When the reply is received back at the sender, it too can be replied to. This can be repeated ad-infinitum, and allows a dialog to be set-up between two different verticles.

This is a common messaging pattern called the request-response pattern.

Let's jump into the API

Getting the event bus You get a reference to the event bus as follows:

```
EventBus eb = vertx.eventBus();
```

There is a single instance of the event bus per Vert.x instance.

**Registering Handlers** This simplest way to register a handler is using consumer. Here's an example:

```
EventBus eb = vertx.eventBus();
eb.consumer("news.uk.sport", message -> {
   System.out.println("I have received a message: " + message.body());
});
```

Publishing messages Publishing a message is simple. Just use publish specifying the address to publish it to.

```
eventBus.publish("news.uk.sport", "Yay! Someone kicked a ball");
```

**The Message object** The object you receive in a message handler is a Message.

The body of the message corresponds to the object that was sent or published. The object has to be serializable, but it's recommended to use JSON encoded String as objects.

The headers of the message are available with headers.

1. Add a Shipping Verticle Since RHOAR currently do not support using distributed event bus we will create the Verticle locally. For now our shipping service will only return a fixed ShippingFee of 37.0. RHOAR is planned to support distributes event bus early 2018. Since the Event Bus API is the same very little code changes (if any) will be required to move this to a separate service in OpenShift in the future.

Add this code to the src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/ShippingServiceVerticle.java file:

```
package com.redhat.coolstore;
import io.vertx.core.AbstractVerticle;
```

```
import io.vertx.core.eventbus.EventBus;
import io.vertx.core.eventbus.MessageConsumer;
import io.vertx.core.json.JsonObject;
import io.vertx.core.logging.Logger;
import io.vertx.core.logging.LoggerFactory;
public class ShippingServiceVerticle extends AbstractVerticle {
    private final Logger logger = LoggerFactory.getLogger(ShippingServiceVerticle.class.getName());
   @Override
    public void start() {
        logger.info("Starting " + this.getClass().getSimpleName());
        EventBus eb = vertx.eventBus();
        MessageConsumer<String> consumer = eb.consumer("shipping");
        consumer.handler(message -> {
            logger.info("Shipping Service recieved a message");
            message.reply(new JsonObject().put("shippingFee", 37.0)); //Hardcoded shipping Fee
        });
```

We also need to start the Verticle by deploying it form the MainVerticle. So add this code to the src/main/java/com/redhatfile at the // TODO: Deploy PromoServiceVerticle marker:

Done! That was easy. :-) We still have to update the shopping cart to use the Shipping service. Let's do that next.

2. Update the Shopping cart to call the Shipping Service In the future we might want to base the shipping service on the actual content of the Shopping cart so it stands to reason that we call the shipping service every time someone updates the cart. In the training however we will only call the Shopping cart when someone adds a product to it.

We will implement the shipping fee similary to how we implemented the getProduct that called out to the Catalog service.

In src/main/java/com/redhat/coolstore/CartServiceVerticle.java we will add the following method at the marker: //TODO: Add method for getting the shipping fee. Copy the content below:

```
private void getShippingFee(ShoppingCart cart, Handler<AsyncResult<Double>> resultHandler) {
    EventBus eb = vertx.eventBus();

    eb.send("shipping",
        Transformers.shoppingCartToJson(cart).encode(),
        reply -> {
            if(reply.succeeded()) {
                resultHandler.handle(Future.succeededFuture(((JsonObject)reply.result().body()).getI
            } else {
                resultHandler.handle(Future.failedFuture(reply.cause()));
            }
            }
        );
    }
}
```

Now, lets update the addProduct request handler method. Click to add it at the sendCart(cart,rc); //TODO: update the shipping fee marker replacing the existing sendCart(cart, rc); with an updated code block:

```
this.getShippingFee(cart, message -> {
    if(message.succeeded()) {
        cart.setShippingTotal(message.result());
        sendCart(cart,rc);
    } else {
```

```
sendError(rc);
}
```

Since we have the special case of product already exists we need to update it twice. Replace the line with sendCart(cart, rc) that you just added with another duplicate block:

```
this.getShippingFee(cart, message -> {
    if(message.succeeded()) {
        cart.setShippingTotal(message.result());
        sendCart(cart,rc);
    } else {
        sendError(rc);
    }
});
```

## 3. Test our changes

So now when we add something to the shopping cart it should also update the shipping fee and set it to 37.0

Firstly, build and start the cart service mvn compile vertx:run

Now issue a curl command to add a product that exists

```
curl -s -X POST http://localhost:8082/services/cart/99999/329299/1 | grep -A7 "\"itemId\" : \"329299\"" | grep quantity
```

Let's also make sure that it works with a totally new shopping cart, which would test the second part of our changes:

```
curl -s -X POST http://localhost:8082/services/cart/88888/329299/1 | grep -A7 "\"itemId\" : \"329299\"" | grep quantity
```

This should now return a new shopping cart where one only instance of the product is added, because of our grep commands you would see something like this:

```
"quantity" : 1
```

The CartService depends on the CatalogService and just like in the Spring Boot example we could have created mocks for calling the Catalog Service, however since our example is already complex, we will simply test it with the CatalogService running.

## Create an OpenShift Project for the Cart microservice

We have already deployed our coolstore monolith, inventory and catalog to OpenShift. In this step we will deploy our new Shopping Cart microservice for our CoolStore application, so let's create a separate project to house it and keep it separate from our monolith and our other microservices.

#### 1. Create project

Create a new project for the *cart* service:

oc new-project cart --display-name="CoolStore Shopping Cart Microservice Application"

#### 3. Open the OpenShift Web Console

You should be familiar with the OpenShift Web Console by now! Click on the "OpenShift Console" tab:

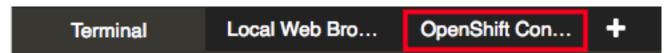


Figure 11: OpenShift Console Tab

And navigate to the new catalog project overview page (or use this quick link at

https://\$OPENSHIFT\_MASTER/console/project/cart/

There's nothing there now, but that's about to change.

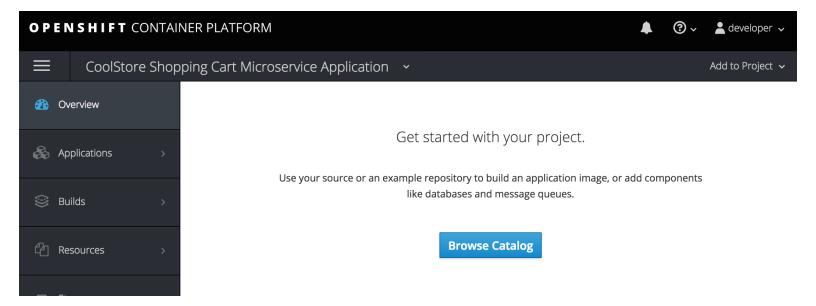


Figure 12: Web Console Overview

## **Deploy Cart microservice to OpenShift**

Now that you've logged into OpenShift, let's deploy our new cart microservice:

#### **Update configuration**

Create the file: src/main/resources/config-openshift.json

Copy the following content to the file:

```
{
    "http.port" : 8080,
    "catalog.service.port" : 8080,
    "catalog.service.hostname" : "catalog.catalog.svc.cluster.local"
}
```

**NOTE:** The config-openshift.json does not have all values of config-default.json, that is because on the values that need to change has to be specified here. Our solution will fallback to the default configuration for values that aren't configured in the environment specific config.

#### **Build and Deploy**

Red Hat OpenShift Application Runtimes includes a powerful maven plugin that can take an existing Eclipse Vert.x application and generate the necessary Kubernetes configuration.

You can also add additional config, like src/main/fabric8/deployment.yml which defines the deployment characteristics of the app (in this case we declare a few environment variables which map our credentials stored in the secrets file to the application), but OpenShift supports a wide range of Deployment configuration options for apps).

Let's add a deployment.yml that will set the system property to use our config-openshift.json config.

Create the file by clicking on open src/main/fabric8/deployment.yml

Add the following content the file (by clicking on Copy to Editor or copying it in directly):

We also need to add a route.yml like this:

Create the file by clicking on open src/main/fabric8/route.yml

Add the following content by clicking on Copy to Editor or copying it in directly:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Route
metadata:
   name: ${project.artifactId}
spec:
   port:
     targetPort: 8080
   to:
     kind: Service
     name: ${project.artifactId}
```

Build and deploy the project using the following command, which will use the maven plugin to deploy:

mvn package fabric8:deploy -Popenshift

The build and deploy may take a minute or two. Wait for it to complete. You should see a **BUILD SUCCESS** at the end of the build output.

After the maven build finishes it will take less than a minute for the application to become available. To verify that everything is started, run the following command and wait for it complete successfully:

oc rollout status -w dc/cart

## 3. Access the application running on OpenShift

This sample project includes a simple UI that allows you to access the Inventory API. This is the same UI that you previously accessed outside of OpenShift which shows the CoolStore inventory. Click on the route URL at

http://cart-cart.\$0PENSHIFT\_MASTER to access the sample UI.

You can also access the application through the link on the OpenShift Web Console Overview page.

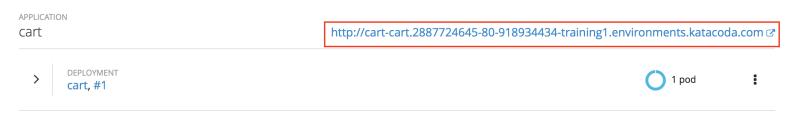


Figure 13: Overview link

## **Congratulations!**

You have deployed the Catalog service as a microservice which in turn calls into the Inventory service to retrieve inventory data. However, our monolih UI is still using its own built-in services. Wouldn't it be nice if we could re-wire the monolith to use the new services, **without changing any code**? That's next!

## Replace (Strangle) monolith Cart services

In earlier scenarios we started strangling the monolith by redirecting calls the product catalog microservice. We will now do the same with our new shopping cart microservice. To do this we are going to again make use of routing capabilities in OpenShift.

Adding items to, or removing items from your cart in the monolith UI is accomplished via a REST call to http://<monolith-hostname>/services/cart. At the moment calls to that URL will still hit embedded cart service in the monolith. By using a path based route in OpenShift we can route these calls to our newly created cart services instead, just like we did with the Catalog microservice!

Flow the steps below to create a path based route.

#### 1. Obtain hostname of monolith UI from our Dev environment

oc get route/www -n coolstore-dev

The output of this command shows us the hostname:

NAME HOST/PORT PATH SERVICES PORT TERMINATION www www-coolstore-dev.apps.127.0.0.1.nip.io coolstore <all>

No

My hostname is www-coolstore-dev.apps.127.0.0.1.nip.io but yours will be different.

\*\*2. Open the openshift console for Cart - Applications - Routes at

https://\$OPENSHIFT\_MASTER/console/project/cart/browse/routes\*\*

#### 3. Click on Create Route, and set

• Name: cart-redirect

• **Hostname**: the hostname from above

• Path: /services/cart

• Service: cart

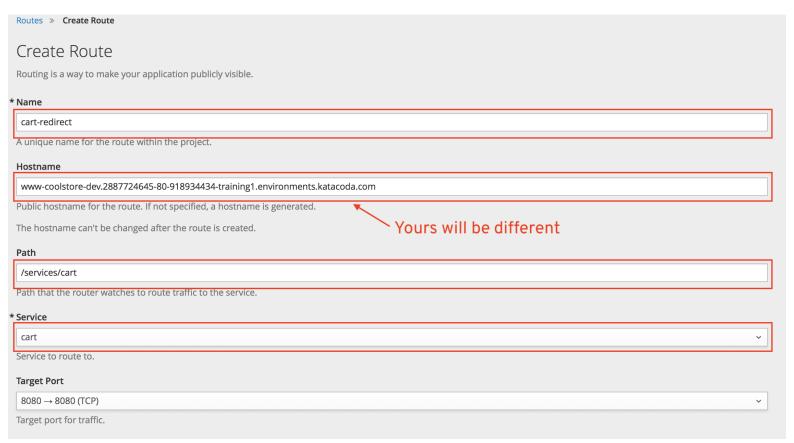


Figure 14: Greeting

Leave other values set to their defaults, and click Save

#### 4. Test the route

Test the route by running curl http://www-coolstore-dev.[[HOST\_SUBDOMAIN]]-80-[[KATACODA\_HOST]].environme You should get a complete set of products, along with their inventory.

#### 5. Test the UI

Open the monolith UI and observe that the new catalog is being used along with the monolith:

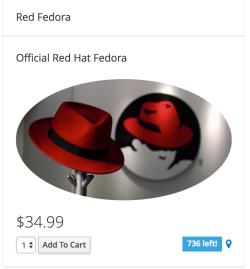
Add some items to your cart, then visit the **Shopping Cart** tab to observe the new shipping fees we hard-coded earlier:

The **Checkout** functionality is yet to be implemented, so won't work, but it's not too far away and if you have time after this workshop feel free to contribute the changes and make this workshop even better!

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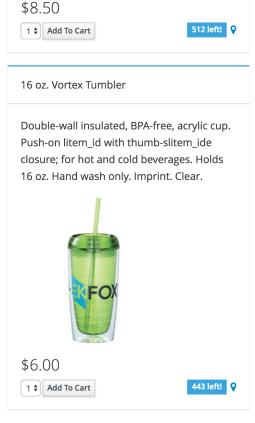
**Your Shopping Cart** 













developments in recent years.

Figure 15: Greeting

## **Shopping Summary**

Cart Total: \$34.99

Promotional Item Savings: \$0.00

Subtotal:

Shipping: \$37.00

Promotional Shipping Savings: \$0.00

Total Order Amount: \$71.99

Checkout

**Keep Shopping** 

Figure 16: Greeting

## **Congratulations!**

You have now successfully begun to *strangle* the monolith. Part of the monolith's functionality (Inventory, Catalog and Shopping Cart) are now implemented as microservices, without touching the monolith.

## **Summary**

In this scenario, you learned a bit more about what Reactive Systems and Reactive programming are and why it's useful when building Microservices. Note that some of the code in here may have been hard to understand and part of that is that we are not using an IDE, like JBoss Developer Studio (based on Eclipse) or Intellij. Both of these have excellent tooling to build Vert.x applications.

You created a new shopping cart microservice almost finalizing the migration from a monolith to microservices. There are a couple of things that are also required. Firstly the checkout of the shopping cart was never implemented, and secondly, the monolith also has an order service. These were removed from this exercise because of time constraints. You have however so far almost completed a migration, so good work. You deserve a promotion. :-)

Your final strangled monolith now looks like:

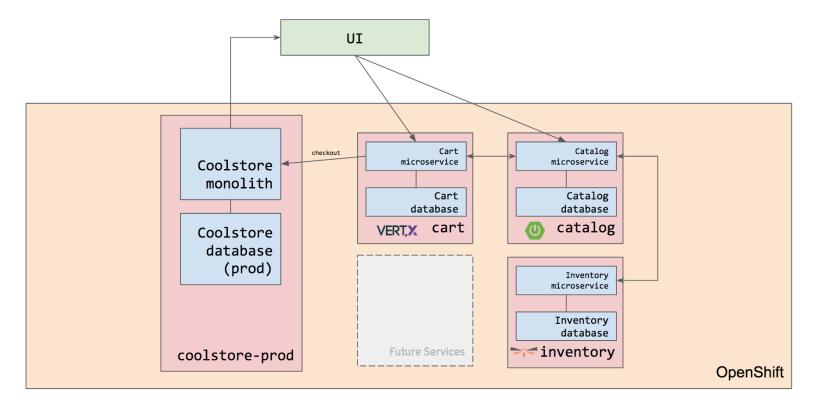


Figure 17: Greeting

In the next chapter, we will talk more about how to make these microservices more resilient.