2EL5020 – Introduction to multi-tier application development and web services

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Advanced level : Yes

Description

More and more applications are built as a composition of services. The objective of this course is to present the underlying architectures and to introduce students to the development of solutions exploiting, creating and deploying services.

Enterprise applications access local or remote data, apply business logic to them, and then present or transmit the results. To ease their design, implementation and operation, they can be decomposed into layers and components. The Java Enterprise Edition (JEE) platform is designed to enable the development of these applications and their integration into existing information systems. The course will present the principles of the 3-tier architecture, with an implementation exploiting the main components of the JEE platform. The application will then be deployed in the cloud.

The application may require access to online data. Web pages are important data sources but they are designed for human interaction. A tedious process ("web scraping") needs be set up on a case-by-case basis so that a machine (a program) can recover the data exposed by web pages. Fortunately, many players such as Amazon or eBay for example offer another interface to access data, focused on resources or processes and not on graphical presentation. These "web services" simplify the data collection phase and allow their consumers to focus on their core business. This course will present how to discover a service, how to invoke it, and possibly how to build a composition of several services. It may also be relevant to open the developed application to partners (customers, suppliers ...). The course will present how to offer them such a service: how to design a service, develop and deploy it, describe it and make it discoverable.