

ESB BEST PRACTICES



THREE INTEGRATION SCENARIOS:*

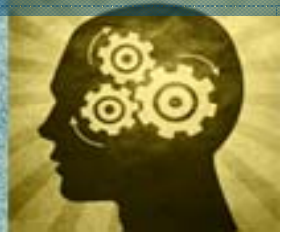
1. **DATA CONSISTENCY:** INDEPENDENT APPLICATIONS “GET THE FACTS STRAIGHT”
2. **MULTI-STEP PROCESS:** INDEPENDENT APPLICATIONS IMPLEMENT A BUSINESS PROCESS
3. **COMPOSITE APPLICATION:** NEW FUNCTIONALITY BY TYING TOGETHER EXISTING APPLICATIONS

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AGENDA

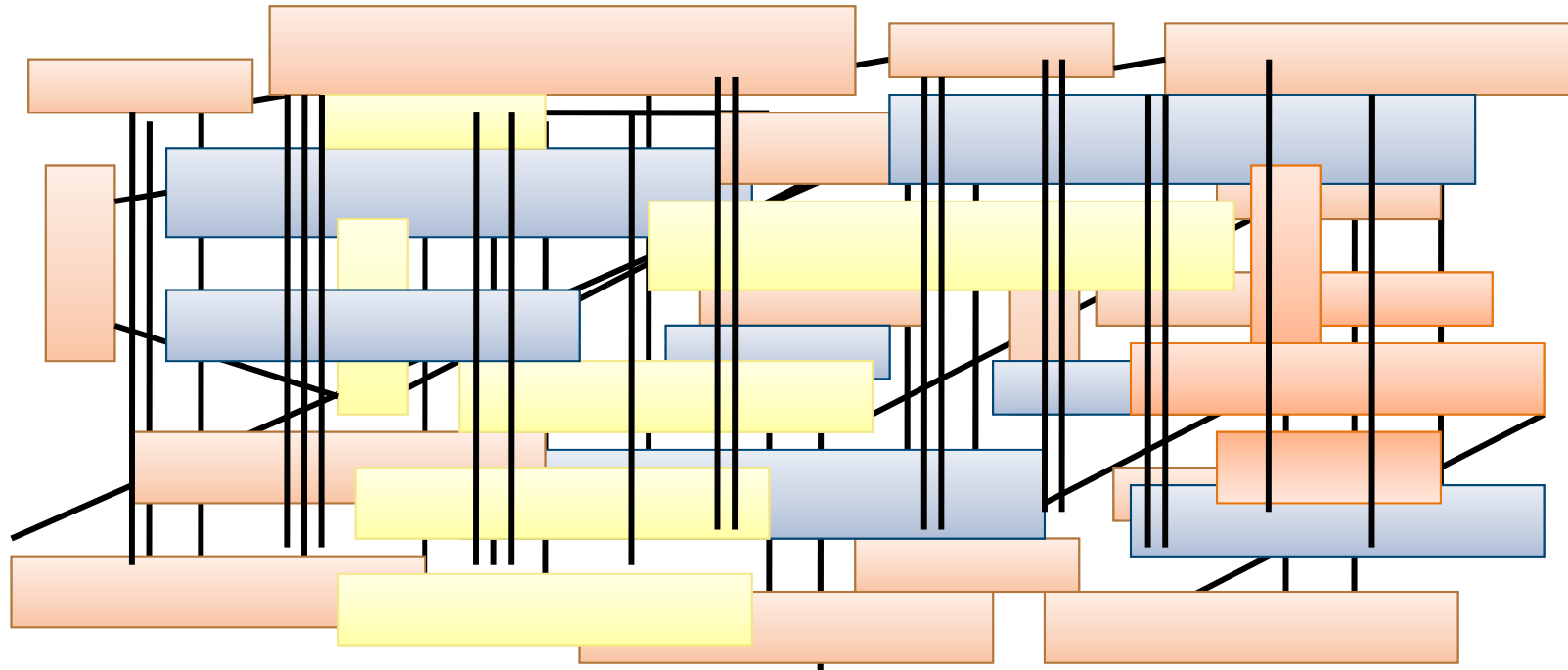
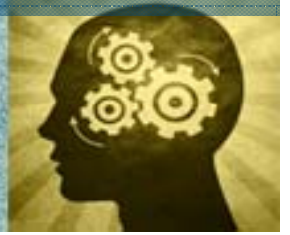


- INTRODUCTION TO SOA
- DEMYSTIFYING ESBs
- ESB/SOA IMPLEMENTATION METHODOLOGY
 - STEP I – REQUIREMENTS GATHERING
 - STEP II – IDENTIFYING “MUST HAVE” FEATURES
 - STEP III – COMPONENTIZING BUSINESS PROCESSES
 - STEP IV – DEFINING DISTRIBUTED ESB PROCESSES
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 - STEP VII – CHANGE MANAGEMENT, VERSION ROLLOVER
- INTEGRATION SCENARIOS – PUTTING THEORY TO PRACTICE



INTRODUCTION TO SOA

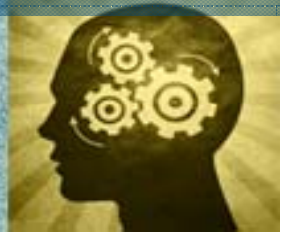
POINT-TO-POINT INTEGRATION



- “Accidental” Architecture (Synchronous, Fine-grained, Not scalable, Many connections and data formats, Extremely difficult to manage, Expensive to maintain and extend)
 - Hinders business change: new products, channels, suppliers, etc
 - Slow and expensive maintenance, No Reusability
 - Expensive to Manage, Monitor and Extend
 - Need realistic way to evolve new infrastructure and add value

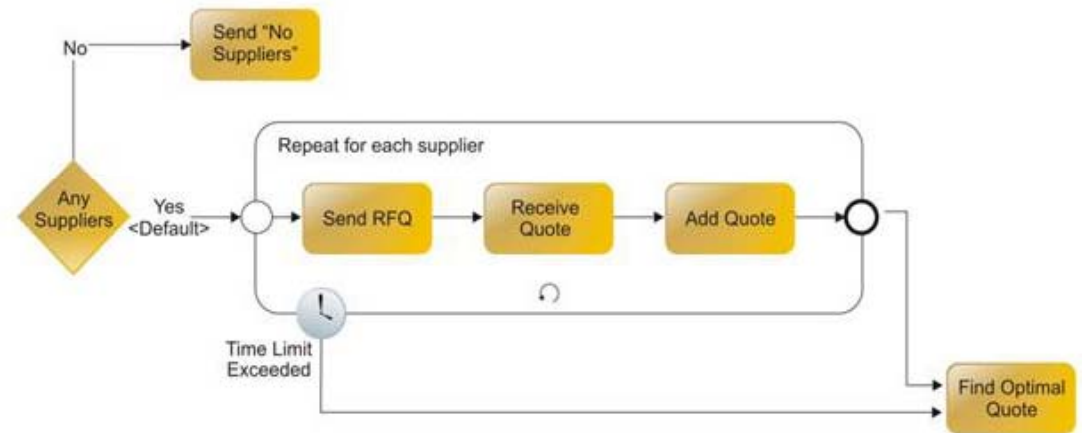


BUSINESS PROCESSES BECOME AGILE WHEN IMPLEMENTED AS SERVICES



Business Perspectives

- Simplification
- Elimination
- People
- Process Performance Measurement
- Simulation modeling
- Agility
- etc.

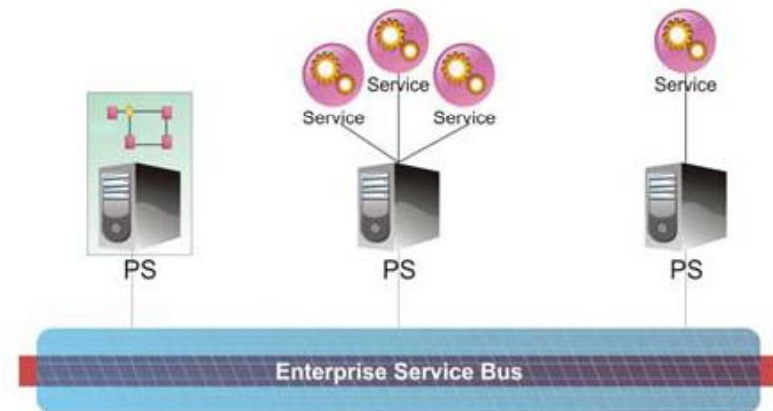


BPMN Notation representing a business process with an expanded Sub-process



Systems Perspectives

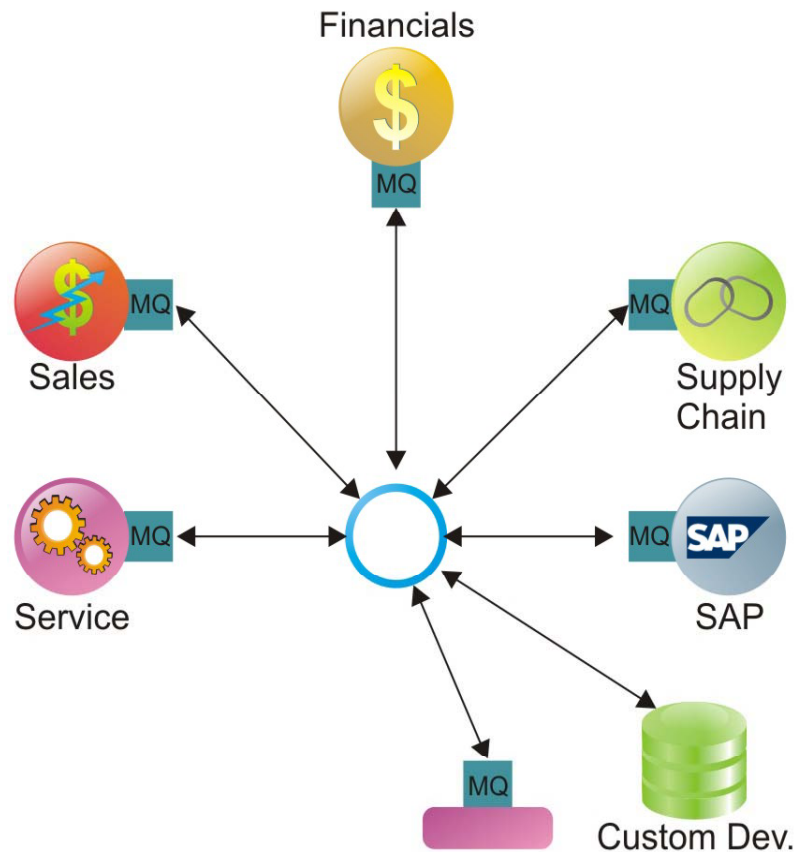
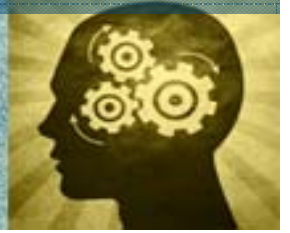
- Working Software
- Reliability
- Configuration Management
- Scalability / Performance
- Reusability
- Speed of Delivery
- etc.



Example: Processes implemented as Services

With SOA – Processes Can Be Layered on Top of Existing Infrastructure

INTRODUCTION TO SOA – Message Oriented Middleware (MOM) CHALLENGES

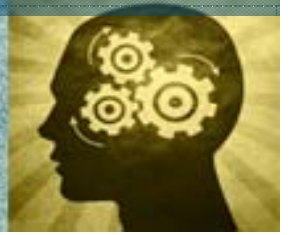


- Easy Inter-Operability
- Common Data Model for integration
- Robust Process Management
- Scalability and High-Availability
- Distributed Services Management – Real time configuration changes
- Reusability of Components & Services in an effective IDE
- Portable Adapters
- Cost, Speed, Quality & Control



INTRODUCTION TO SOA - WEB SERVICES

CHALLENGES



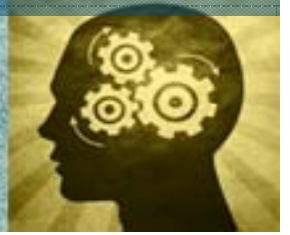
- Suffer from incomplete and competing standards definitions that might not ensure easy interoperability across different implementations
- Interoperability
 - ✓ SOAP
 - ✓ Only binding for HTTP; no bindings for SMTP, JMS
 - ✓ “SOAP encoding”: XML \leftrightarrow Objects
 - ✓ RosettaNet, EDIINT: no SOAP
 - ✓ SOAP 1.1 \rightarrow 1.2 (W3C)
- WSDL: RPC/Encoded vs. Document/Literal
- Do not offer a complete package but provide only the functionality of access and invocation leaving majority of the development work to the user
- Business Semantics – Additional tools needed for Orchestration & Choreography
- Security
 - ✓ HTTPS is not enough
 - ✓ No agreement regarding attachments
 - ✓ S/MIME in RosettaNet and EDIINT
 - ✓ Single Signon
- Transactional Integrity
- Reliable Asynchronous Message Handling
 - ✓ WS-Reliability (IBM, MS) vs. WS-ReliableMessaging (OASIS)
- Transformation Services



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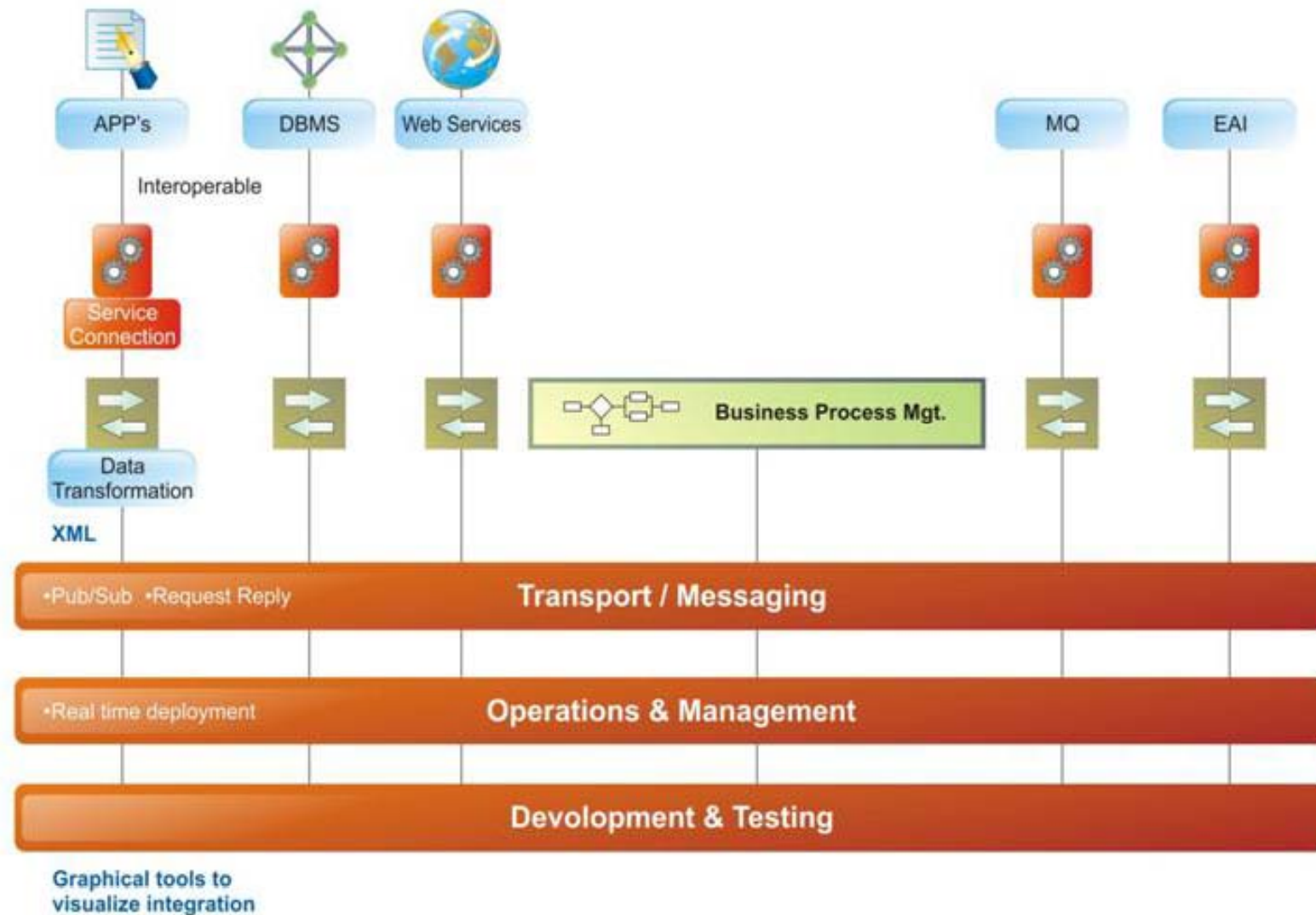
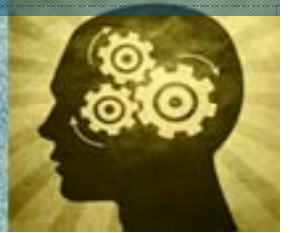


Enterprise Service Bus evolved out of SOA

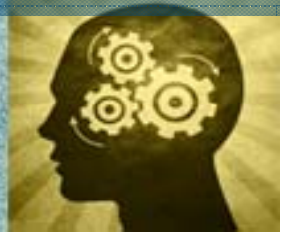
- IT Components can be accessed as services
- Defined form of invocation and entry points to service
- Business process - Event-driven/Asynchronous Invocation of Services
- Composite Application – mix of existing and new components



FUNDAMENTALS OF SOA FOR INTEGRATION



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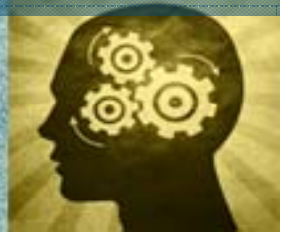


Definition

An ESB is a standards-based platform that allows applications on a network to be accessed via Services (including Web-Services and REST-based Services). ESBs combine messaging, Web Services, XML, data transformation and management to reliably connect and coordinate application interaction. The ESB deployment model is an integrated network of collaborating service instances, deployed in distributed service containers.



DEMYSTIFYING ESB



Enterprise Service Bus – Standards based Integration

- Communication and data routing (JMS)
- Data protocols (XML)
- Transformation (XSLT)
- Content Based Routing (CBR)
- Connectivity (via JCA, .NET, Web-Services, REST)
- Web-Services; REST-based Services
- Security
- Pre-built Business Components and Connectors

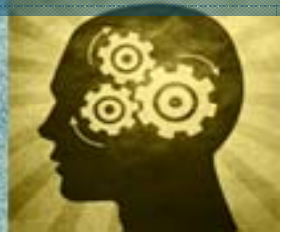
Related Infrastructure and Concepts - not explicitly part of an ESB

- *Business Process Management (BPM)*
- *Business Process Modelling (BPMN, YAWL or Equivalent)*
- *B2B – trading partner management*



WHY STANDARDS FOR INTEGRATION?

BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY DRIVERS

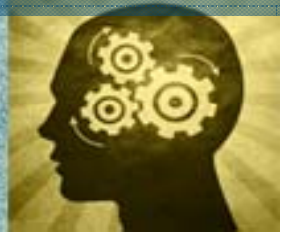


- Increases ability to integrate
 - ✓ No platform or vendor technology dependencies
- Lowers cost of integration
 - ✓ Minimizes need for expensive proprietary adapters
 - ✓ Larger talent pool, broader education offerings
- Integration projects become more predictable



STANDARDS-BASED INTEGRATION

ENTERPRISE BACKBONE

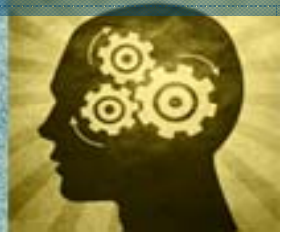


- Deploying a Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA)
- Use of XML
- Rise of JMS as the de-facto standard for underlying application-to-application communication
- Event-flow processes for business process deployment
- Connections to Packaged Apps, Legacy Systems using J2EE Connector Architecture (JCA), Web-Services, and JMS-compliant connectors
- Web Services



SERVICE-ORIENTED ARCHITECTURE (SOA)

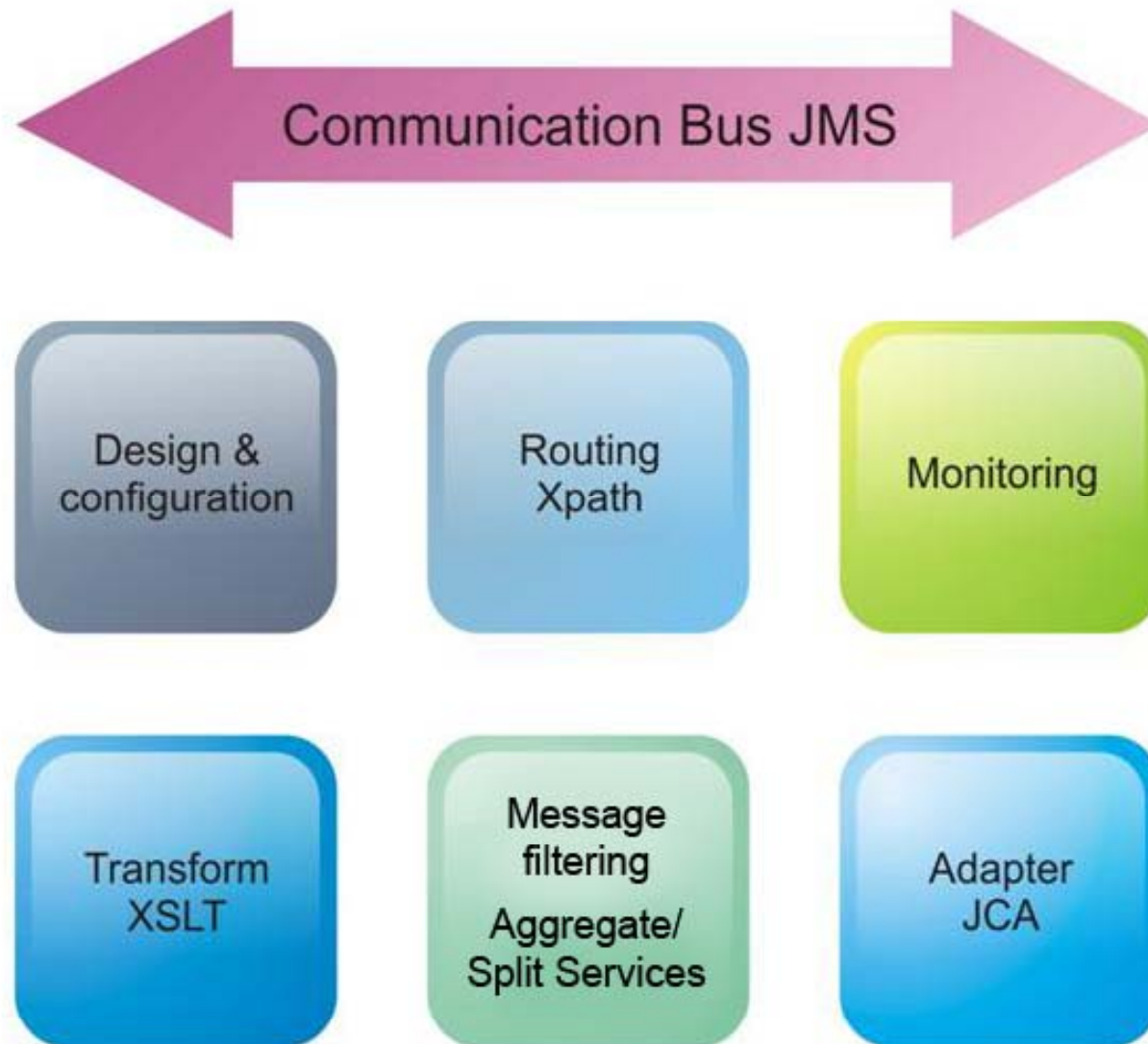
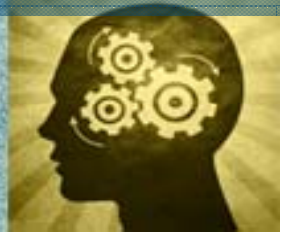
FLEXIBLE, EXTENSIBLE INTEGRATION



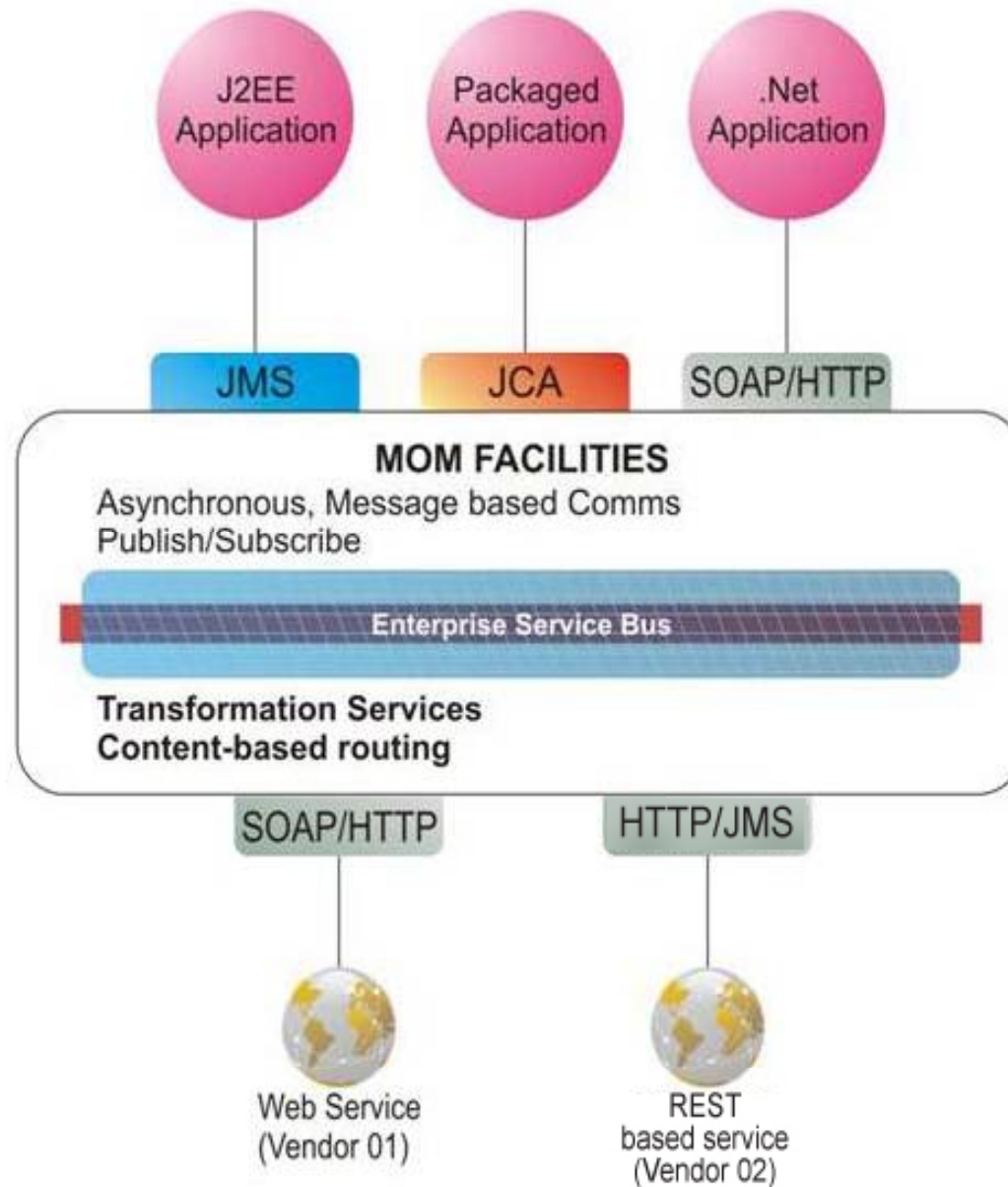
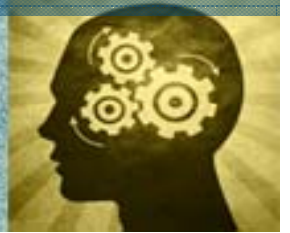
- Design methodology for distributed systems
- Applications expose functionality through service interfaces
- Loosely-Coupled
- Platform and language neutral
- Impervious to implementation changes
- Coarse-Grained- business level Interfaces
- Asynchronous
- No single points of failure



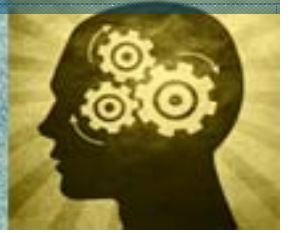
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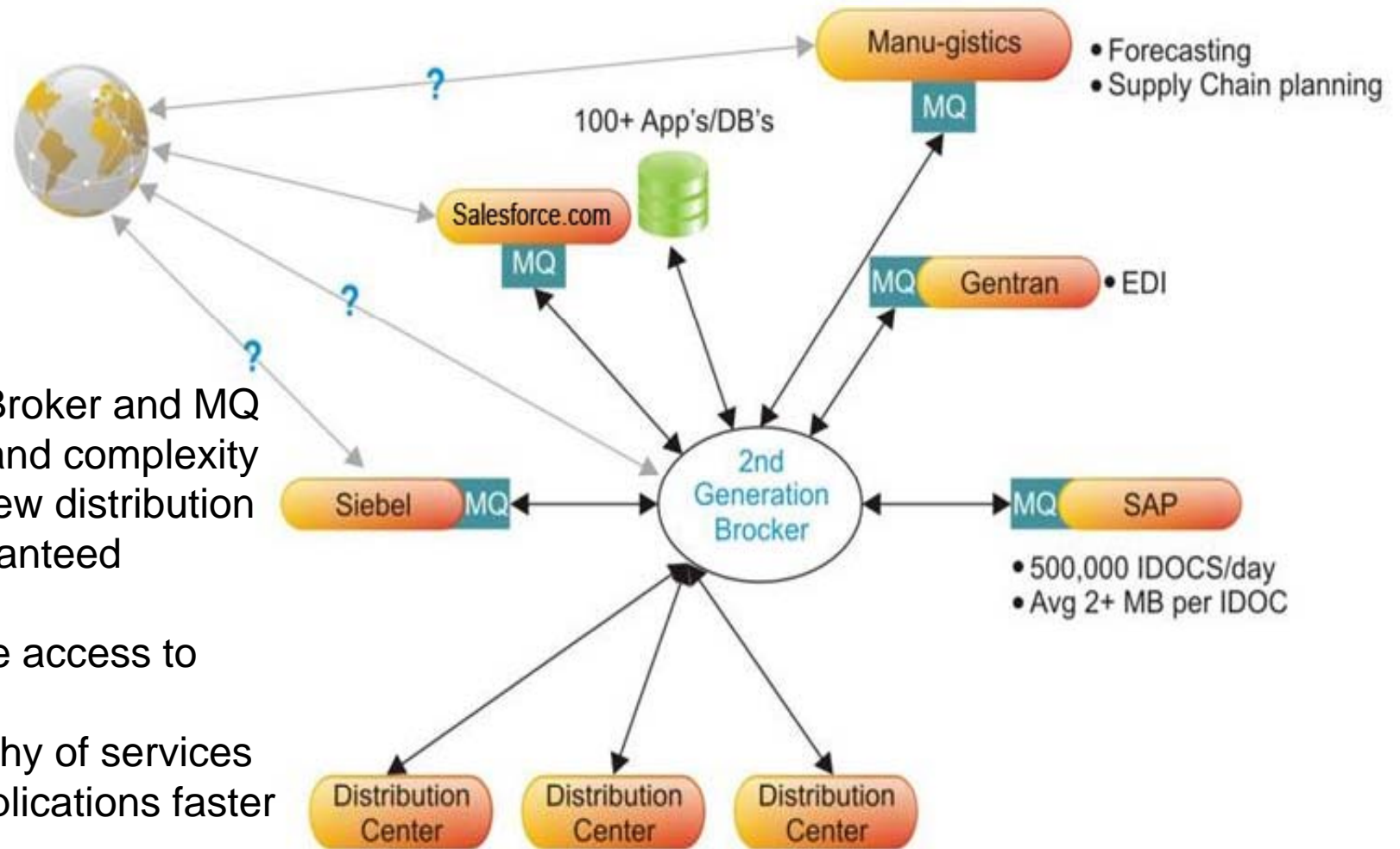


EXAMPLE: BUILD ON EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE

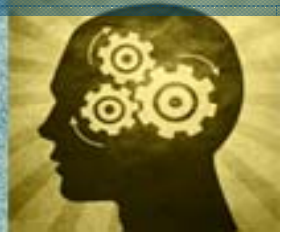


Business Needs

- Want to replace Broker and MQ due to high TCO and complexity
- Reduce cost of new distribution centers, with guaranteed messaging
- Need web-service access to data
- Need choreography of services
- Integrate new applications faster and cheaper

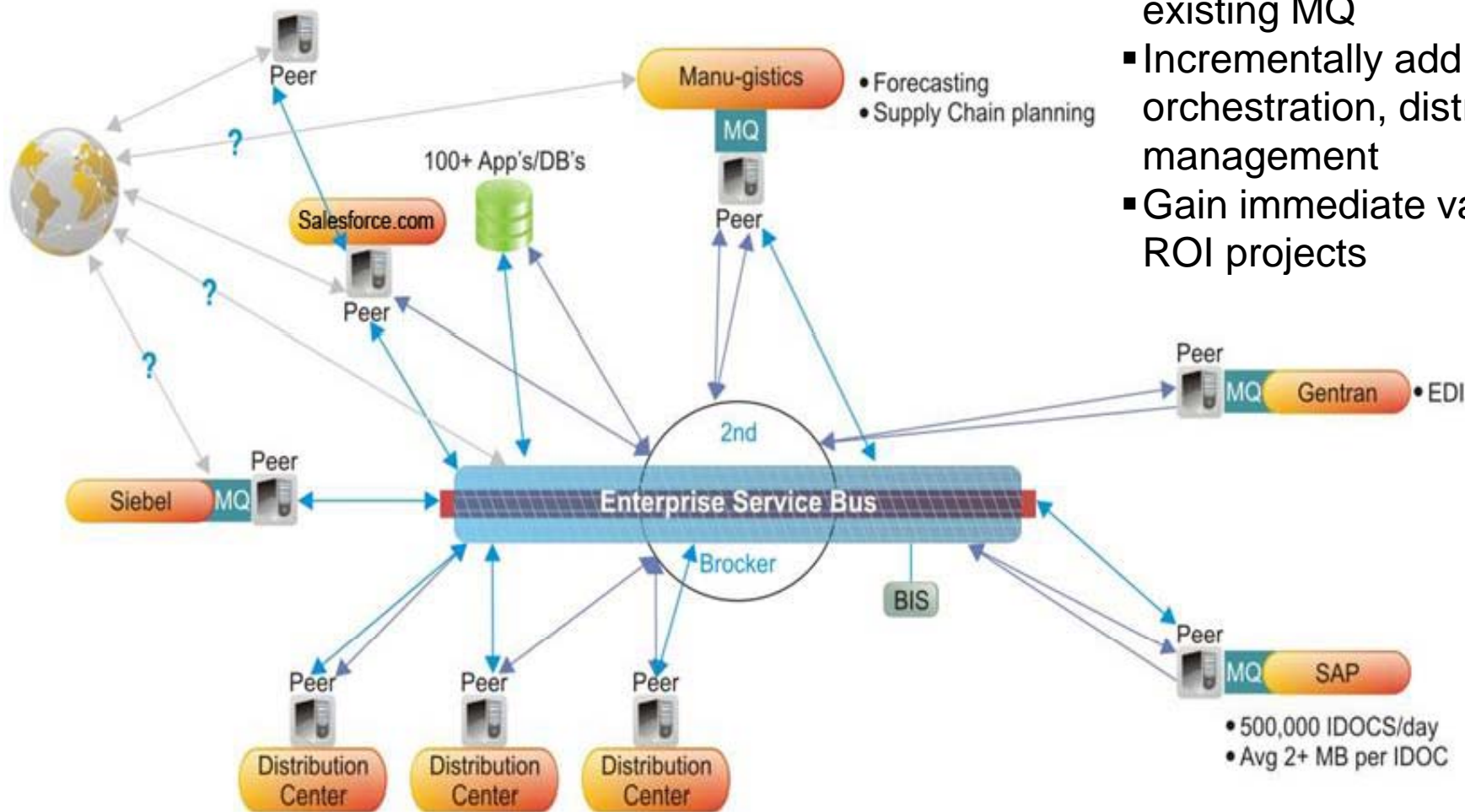


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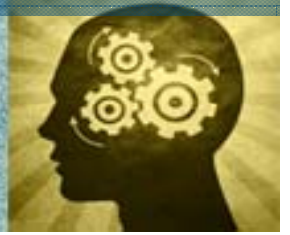


Solution

- Services Oriented Integration
- Reuse messages/events with existing MQ
- Incrementally add transformation, orchestration, distributed management
- Gain immediate value from higher ROI projects



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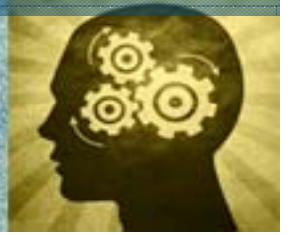


ESB's are best suited for:

- Projects that will mix heterogeneous application services (for example, Microsoft or Java portals with disparate Java or Microsoft server back ends)
- Enterprises that want to start with a basic SOA and add other features later, as the implementation evolves
- Enterprises that want to assemble their own best-of-breed comprehensive integration suites
- Mix and match off-the-shelf adapters, BPM, B2B, and BAM tools from other vendors
- Distributed services (written in different programming languages) running on disparate nodes on different operating systems

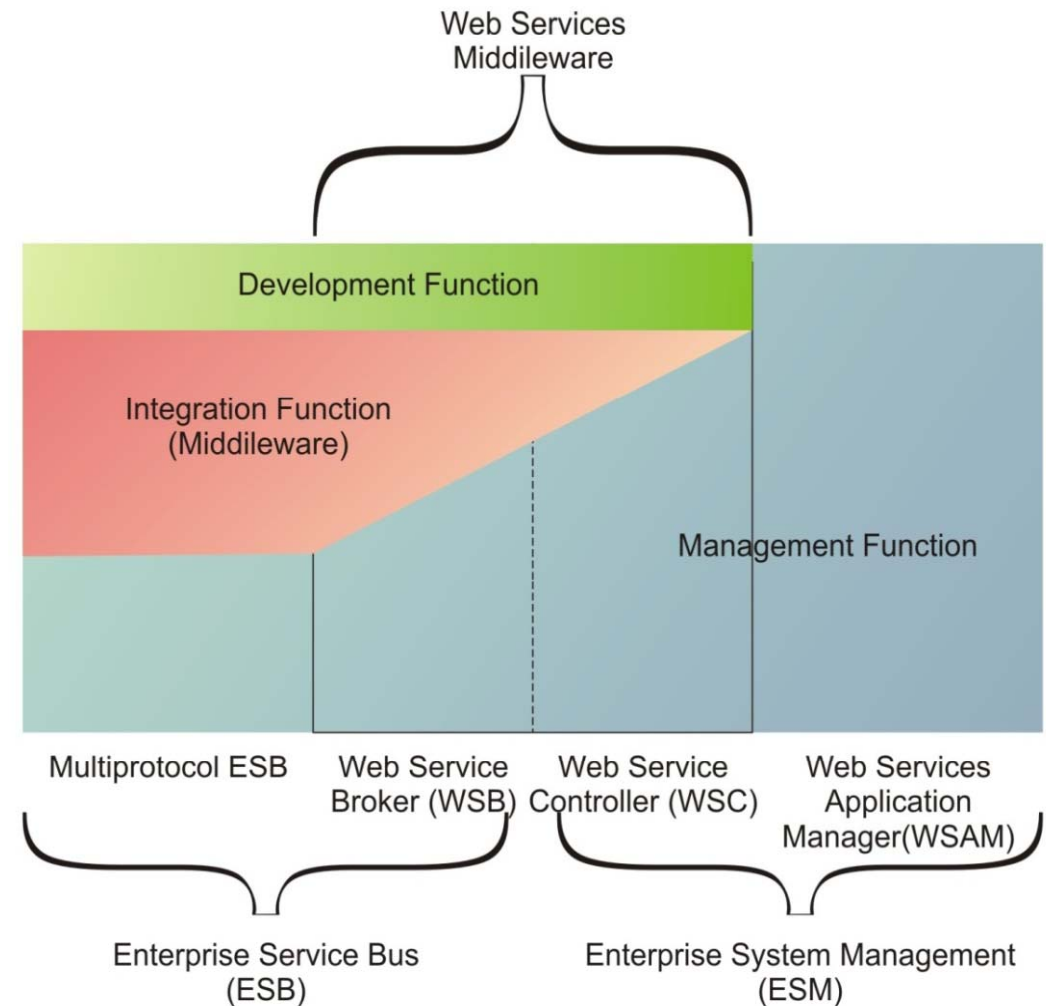


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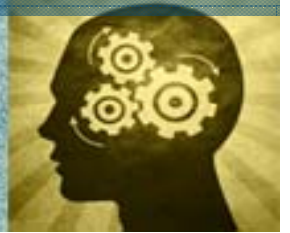


Types of ESB:

1. ESBs based solely on SOAP -Web services brokers (WSBs)
2. Multiprotocol ESBs that support JMS, Web services and other communication mechanisms



ESB - VENDORS (2012)



Support SOAP/HTTP and additional protocols guaranteed delivery, publish-and-subscribe often following the JMS standard

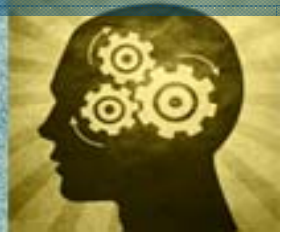
ESB	Comments
Fiorano ESB	Native support for JMS, Peer-to-Peer architecture; REST-based Services
IBM WebSphere ESB	BPM-centric Hub/Spoke architecture; Non-native support for JMS
Oracle Service Bus	Based on BEA acquisition, BPM-centric Hub/Spoke architecture
TIBCO ActiveMatrix Service Bus	NatDistributed Architecture, but heavyweight and BPM-centric; native JMS support;
Microsoft BizTalk Server	Monolithic EAI broker - not a true ESB, Microsoft environment centric.



ESB IMPLEMENTATION METHODOLOGIES

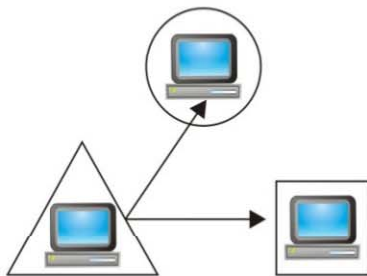


3 BASIC INTEGRATION PATTERNS



DB SYNCHRONIZATION

Data Consistency

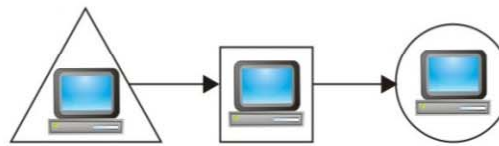


- Multiple Processes
- Parallel unrelated steps
- One-Way, asynchronous
- Batch or Immediate
- Physically Independent
- Logically dependent

Source: Gartner Group

ORDER FULFILLMENT APPLICATION

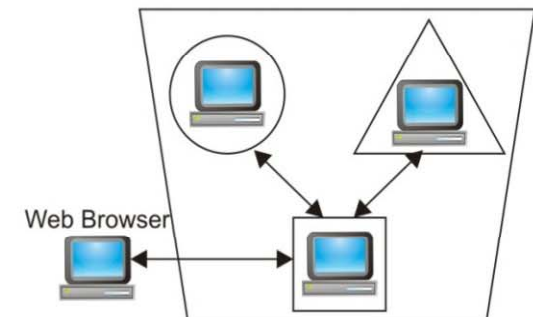
Multistep Process



- One Business Process
- Multi Steps
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QUOTE TO BIND APPLICATION

Composite Application

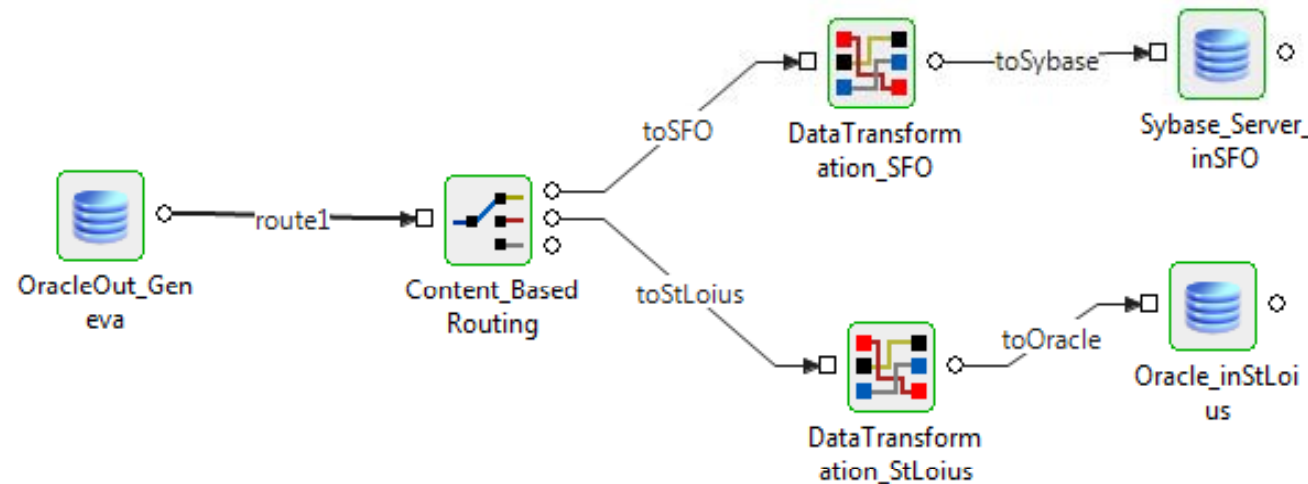
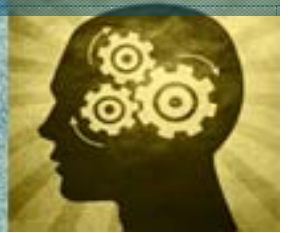


- One Business Process
- One Step
- Two-Way, synchronous
- Physically Independent
- Logically dependent



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DATA CONSISTENCY – DATABASE SYNCHRONIZATION



The technical requirements of ABC Corporation can be summarized as

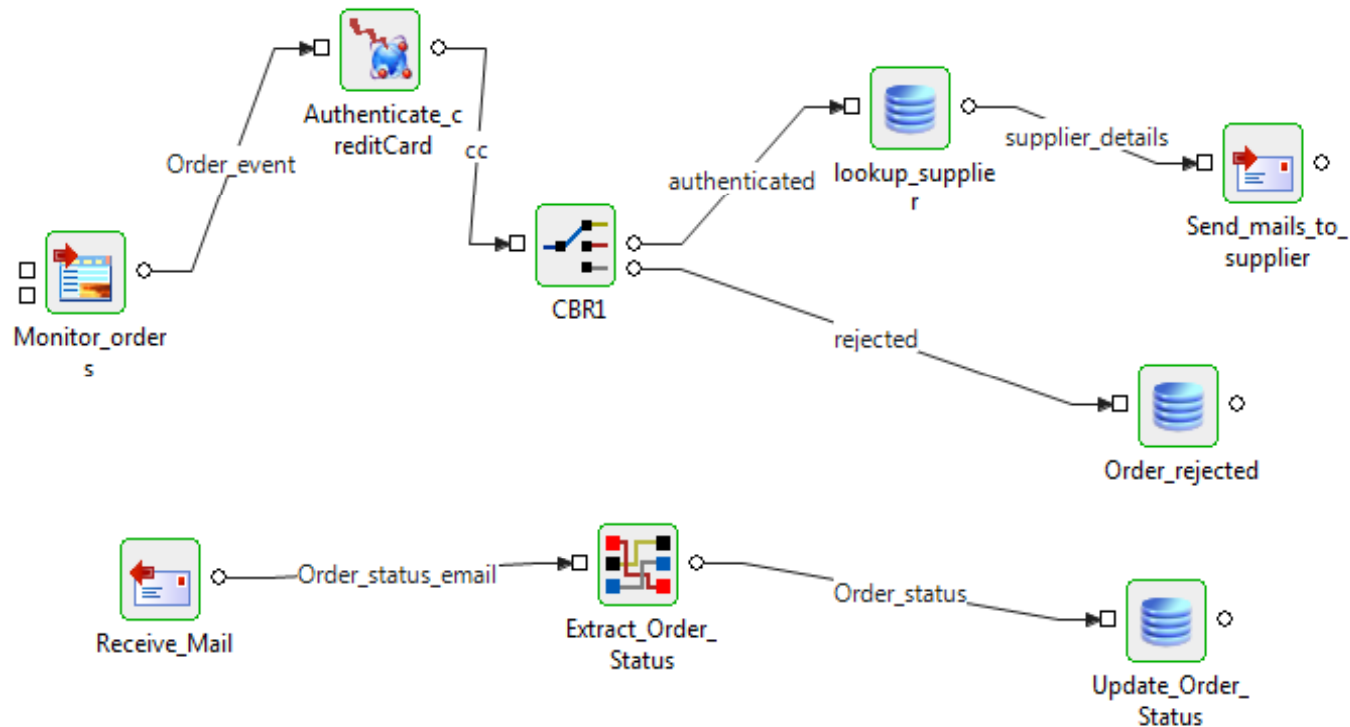
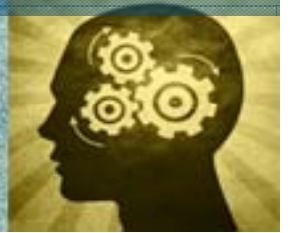
- Data needs to be replicated across multiple data centers asynchronously using a Message Bus.
- Any changes made to the Oracle Database instance in Geneva need to be reflected (based on certain selection criteria) in either the Sybase database instance or the MSSQL database instance located in San Francisco and St.Louis respectively.
- The data needs to be transformed from the source table data format to target table data format(s).
- All data transfers need to be secure

Key Characteristic: the data flow between steps is asynchronous and one-way



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MULTI STEP PROCESS – ORDER FULFILLMENT



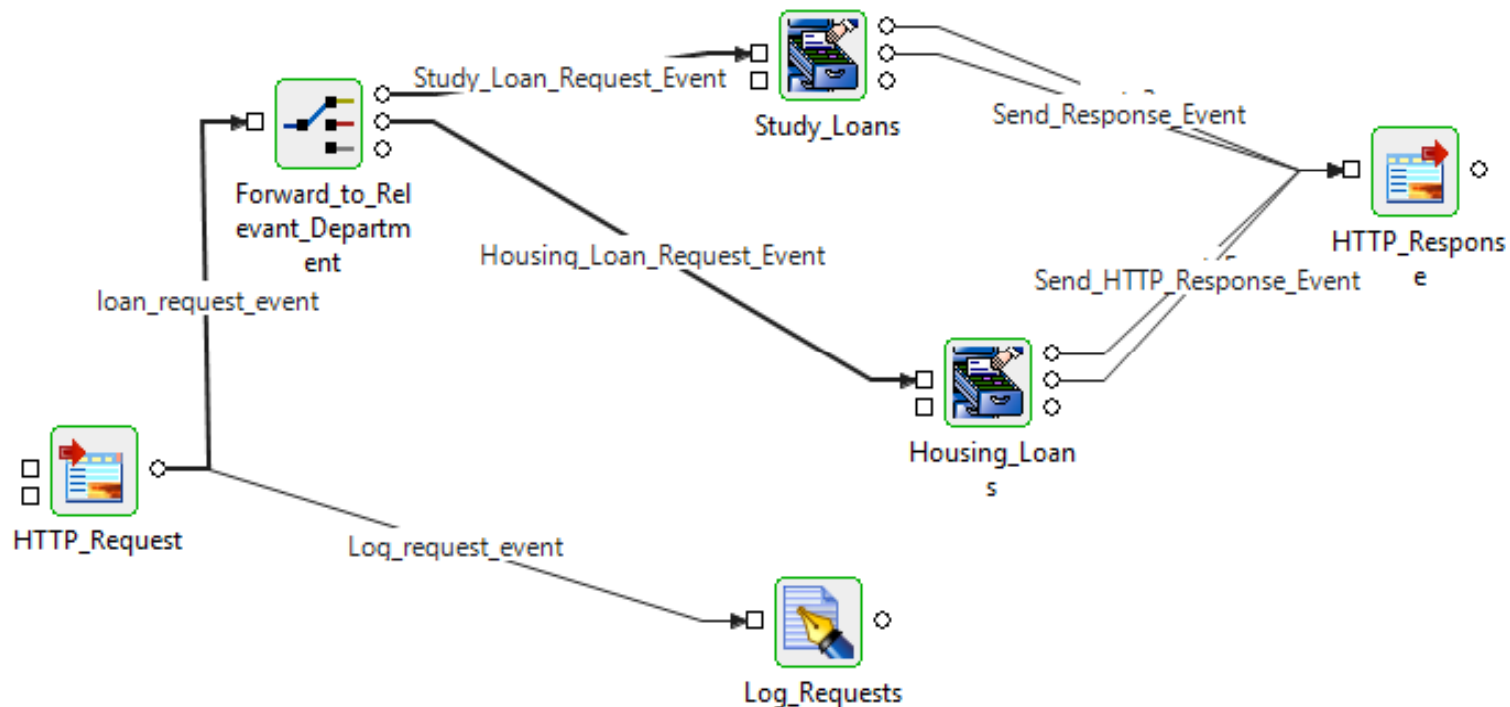
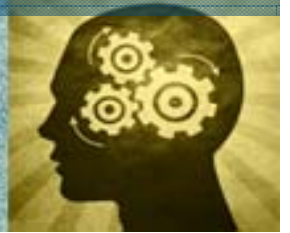
Company X runs an online market place for electronics products. Orders are accepted over the web and saved in an Oracle DB. To process an order, the company needs to perform credit-card verification using a third party hosted credit card gateway and then send out orders to suppliers over email. The supplier sends back an acceptance or rejection notification of the order (along with expected delivery schedule) by a return email. This information needs to be updated in the Oracle DB, so that the customer can track the status of the order online.

Key Characteristic: the data/event flow between steps is asynchronous and one-way



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COMPOSITE APPLICATION – QUOTE TO BIND



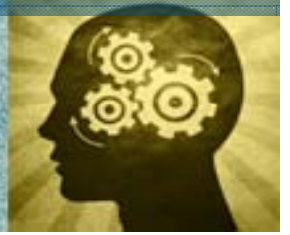
End to End business process for opening a new insurance policy that includes Capture of customer information, Risk Evaluation requestor, Processing of the Application, Development of a Price Quote and finally, a Response (Quote) to the user.

Key Characteristic: The completion of each step is predicated on the completion of the next step and the calling sequence is request/reply between steps.



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BUSINESS – DATA SYNCHRONIZATION

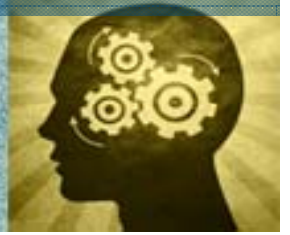


- Data synchronization for Disaster recovery planning and business continuity, Content distribution, Backup consolidation, and Server migration
- Completely eliminate all manual data synchronization without having to stop the system to accommodate new outlets or changes to the tables in the source or target systems
- Business process monitoring Dash Board
- Add new retail outlets
- Business users should be able to rapidly create and deploy business processes
- Timelines – immediate
- Reduce development, maintenance costs



STEP 1 – REQUIREMENTS GATHERING

TECHNICAL/SYSTEMS – DATA SYNCHRONIZATION



■ TECHNICAL

- High Level Business process representation – ideally, the model should map as rapidly as possible to the final application solution
- Databases (SQL, Oracle, DB2 and files) across disparate OS
- Event/Data flow representation
- Intended users –
 - Business Analyst (Choreography and Execution)
 - System Administrator (setup, configuration, data transformation)

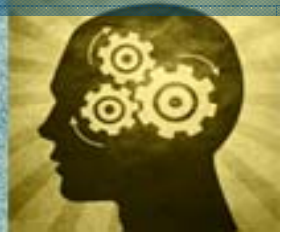
■ SYSTEM

- Platforms and Operating Systems
- Overall network topology



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OUTPUT DOCUMENTS

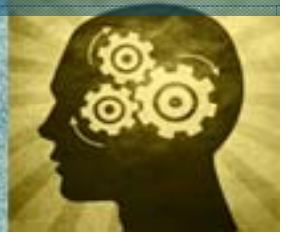


- High-Level Design documents that address the integration requirements (business & technical)
- Document all the identified data and process flows
- Create a list of different networks, and the servers available in each of these networks
- Recommended hardware specifications for the specific ESB product
- Any 3rd party software that is essential to the functioning of the ESB



STEP 2 – IDENTIFYING “MUST HAVE” FEATURES

DATA CONSISTENCY

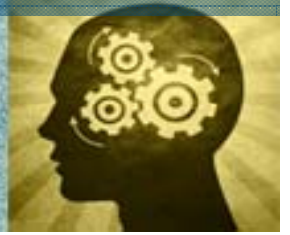


- **Architecture**
 - SOA ? (Hub & Spoke, Peer to Peer, Brokered Peer to Peer)
 - ✓ Brokered P2P with store and forward at end points of the network
 - ✓ Automatic reconnects in case of network failures
 - ✓ In-built store-and-forward
- **Supported Standards**
 - ✓ XML, JCA, CBR
- **Message Bus (Asynchronous, Transformation, etc)**
 - ✓ Asynchronous, Transformation (at source or destination)
- **Support for Distributed Applications (Compose, Execute and Monitor distributed Apps)**
 - ✓ Location and Technology transparency, Intelligent routing, Single point of control, Deployment support
- **Connectivity services (Web services, J2EE Connectors, JMS, WebSphere MQ)**
 - ✓ JMS, Database Connectivity (JDBC)



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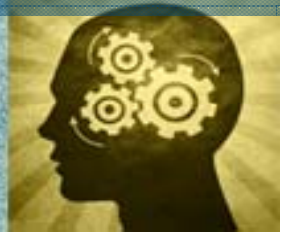


- **Administration / Deployment**
 - ✓ Single point of control
 - ✓ Dynamic changes to application processes
 - ✓ Single point of control
 - ✓ Remote access capability
 - ✓ Start / stop facilities
 - ✓ Manual routing support
 - ✓ Tracing
 - ✓ Message editing
- **Monitoring**
 - ✓ Problem determination
 - ✓ Problem prediction
 - ✓ Internal and external support
 - ✓ Support for enterprise management frameworks



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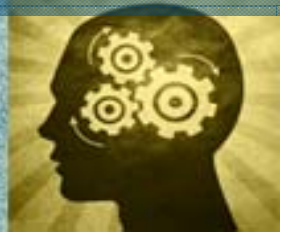


- **Robustness (Service and the Infrastructure level)**
 - ✓ Fault avoidance
 - ✓ Fault tolerance
- **Scalability and Performance (Service and the Infrastructure level)**
 - ✓ Asynchronous messaging
 - ✓ Multi-threading
 - ✓ Load balancing
 - ✓ Large data handling
- **Security (Infrastructure and Application level)**
 - ✓ Access control
 - ✓ Information security
 - ✓ Tools usage



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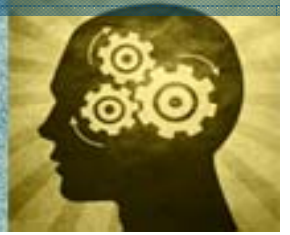
DATA CONSISTENCY



- Breadth of Connectivity (Configure, Modify, Connect with other Adapters)
 - ✓ DBMS access (Oracle, SQL, DB2, etc)
 - ✓ Legacy systems (Mainframe Applications)
 - ✓ Application servers
 - ✓ .NET
 - ✓ COM / CORBA - Multi-Language Adapters
 - ✓ WebServices (Publisher and Consumer)
- Tools
 - ✓ Configuration (Business Processes, Services, Infrastructure)
 - ✓ Incremental deployment
 - ✓ Lifecycle support



STEP 3 – COMPONENTIZING BUSINESS PROCESSES

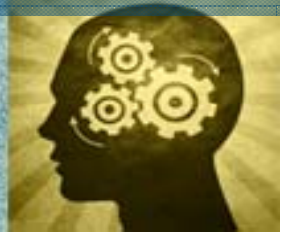


- Component/Service/Business Service – Definition
- Fine-Grained Components - Issues
- Coarse Grained Components – Advantages
- Pre-built Components - Ease the rapid deployment of processes
- User Defined Components – Best practices
- Reusing existing resources



STEP 3 – COMPONENTIZING BUSINESS PROCESSES

FINE GRAINED COMPONENTS - ISSUES/PROBLEMS

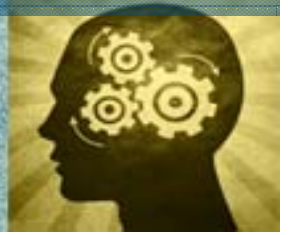


- Typically represent function call (static input and outputs)
- Low reusability (impossible to build a general purpose Database Adapter using a “Fine Grained” component design approach)
- Development overheads (tight coupling between client and component)
- Change of service functionality needs re-coding (Static data formats for input and output)
- Does not map well to business process composition
- Synchronous invocation of function calls
- Skilled developers needed to use fine-grained components



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COARSE GRAINED COMPONENTS - ADVANTAGES

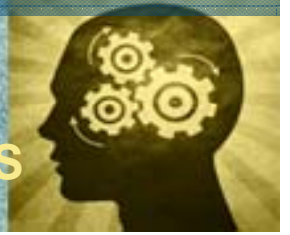


- Represents a high level business component
- Easy to Orchestrate and/or Choreograph business processes using these components
- Reusable across business process (changes required only in design time properties)
- Dynamic data formats for input and output
- Synchronous & Asynchronous invocation
- Low development cost (middleware is hidden)
- Business Analysts can orchestrate business processes without IT Intervention



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ENTERPRISE SERVICES - REUSABLE, BUSINESS LEVEL BUILDING BLOCKS

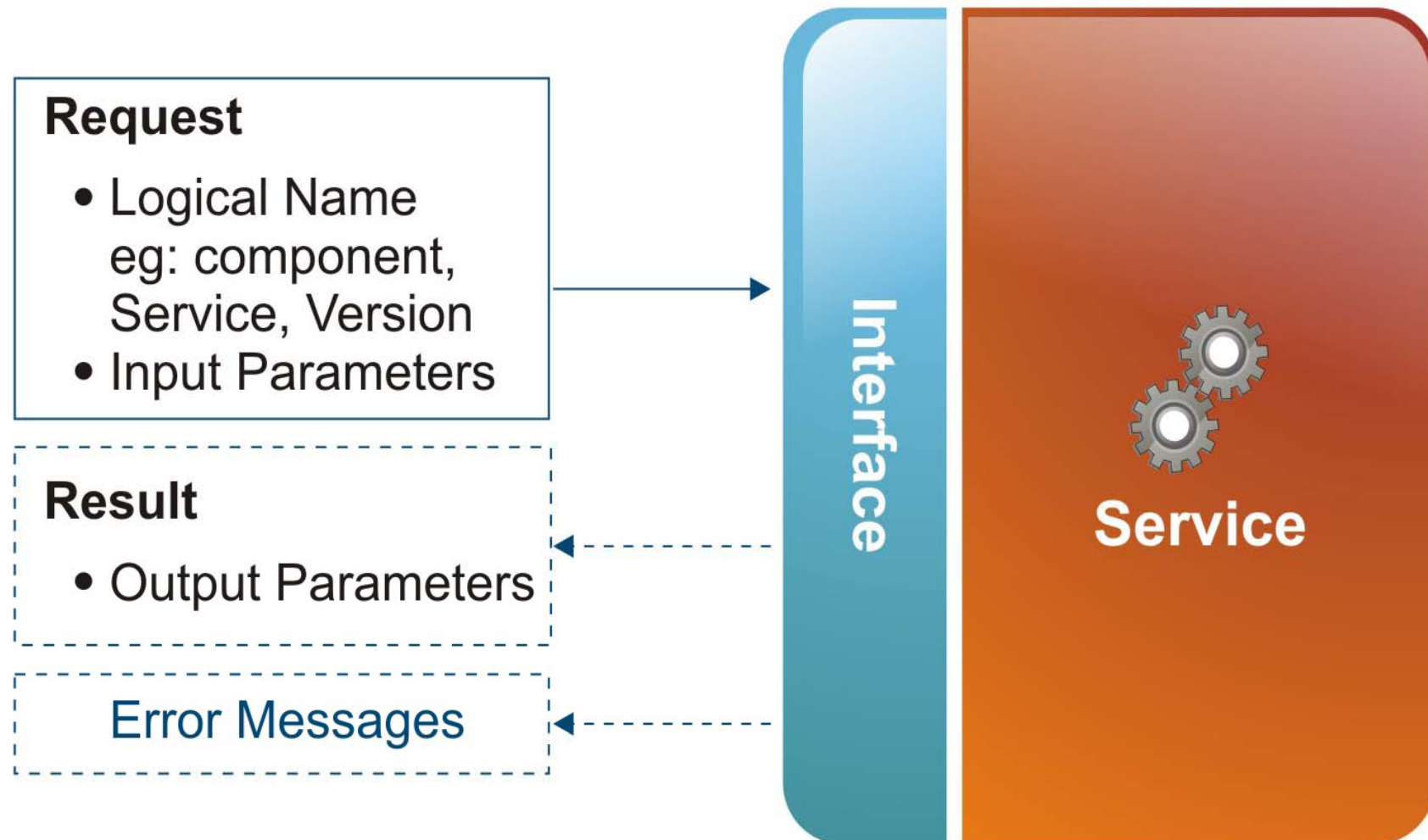
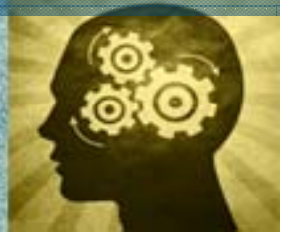


- Coarse-Grained
 - ✓ Level of abstraction easily understood by business people
- Event-Enabled Interfaces
 - ✓ Easily composed into Distributed, Event-driven Processes
- Multi-Language
 - ✓ No development restrictions
- Generalization of Web-Services
 - ✓ Standards-based WSDL interfaces
- REST- based Services
 - ✓ The document *is* the interface
 - ✓ No central state-management; all state carried in messages/documents



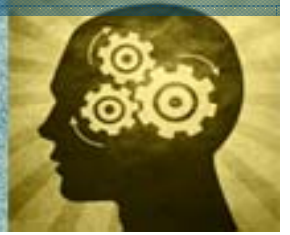
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SERVICE → INTERFACE



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COARSE GRAINED COMPONENTS



“A component is a non-trivial, nearly independent, and replaceable part of a system that fulfills a clear function in the context of a well-defined architecture. A component conforms to and provides the physical realization of a set of interfaces.”

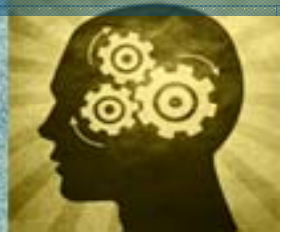
- Philippe Krutchen, Rational Software

- Well defined interfaces & contracts
- Provides implementation of interfaces
- Coarse grained



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COARSE GRAINED COMPONENTS



"A software component is a unit of composition with contextually specified interfaces and explicit context dependencies only. A software component can be deployed independently and is subject to third-party composition."

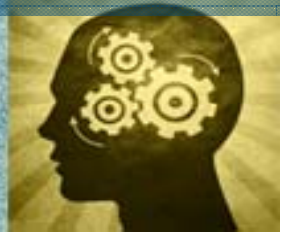
- Clemens Szyperski, Component Software

- Developed, tested and deployed in complete isolation
- Can be configured for different environments at deployment time
- Supports contextual dependencies



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COARSE GRAINED COMPONENTS



"A component is a physical and replaceable part of a system that conforms to and provides the realization of a set of interfaces...typically represents the physical packaging of otherwise logical elements, such as classes, interfaces, and collaborations."

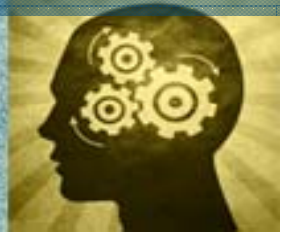
- Grady Booch, Jim Rumbaugh, Ivar Jacobson

- Includes physical packaging of files, executables, jars, dlls, etc
- Aggregation of classes & functions into a complete, reusable functionality
- Higher level of reusability than Classes

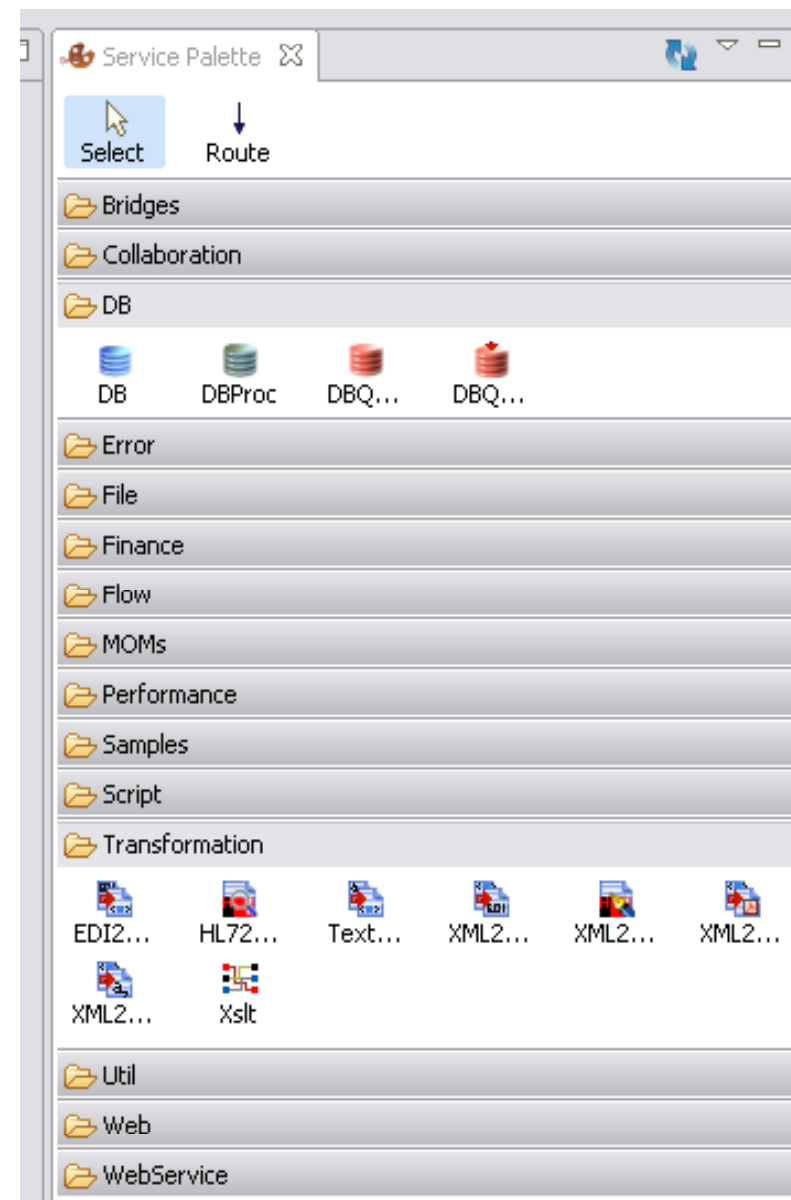
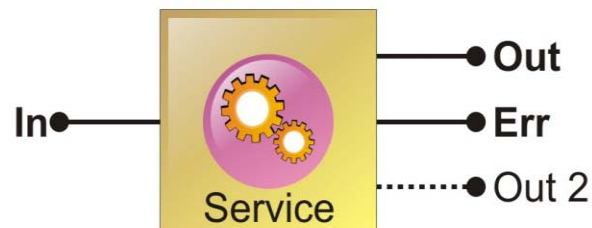


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PRE-BUILT SERVICES

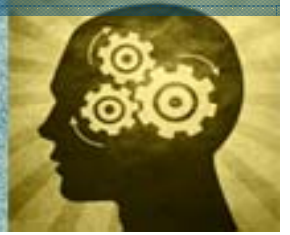


- **Services**
 - ✓ Bridges
 - ✓ Database/File Adapters
 - ✓ Web/WebService Adapters
 - ✓ Routing (flow services)
 - ✓ Transformation
 - ✓ Signing, encryption, encoding Services
- **Adapters**
 - ✓ Middleware
 - ✓ Application



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USER DEFINED COMPONENTS – BEST PRACTICES

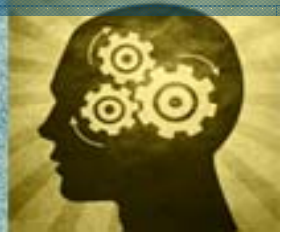


- Identifying set of user defined services
- Choosing Appropriate programming language
(Java, C, C++, C#, Perl, Python, JavaScript etc)
- Identifying input and output ports
(dynamic or static)
- Custom Property Sheet
(Design & runtime properties)
- Exception and Error Handling mechanisms
- Tracing and Logging support
 - ❖ Trace Modules and trace levels
 - ❖ Logging details
- Transaction support
 - ❖ Local
 - ❖ Global



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- Each component has specific design and runtime properties that need to be properly configured, without which the integration process will fail
- E.g. Database configuration illustrated below.

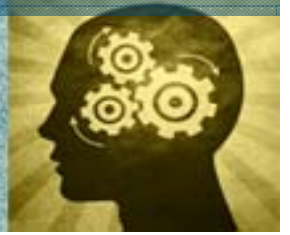
The screenshot shows the 'DB2 - DbConfigurations' dialog box. The 'Named Configuration' section has three radio buttons: 'Load from' (disabled), 'Save to' (disabled), and 'None' (selected). The 'Component Configuration' section contains several fields: 'Database' (Oracle), 'Driver' (oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver), 'URL' (jdbc:oracle:thin:@<hostname>:1521:orcl), 'User name' (scott), 'Password' (masked with dots), and 'Connection ping sql' (select * from dual). Below these fields is a table with two columns, 'Name' and 'Value', and three empty rows. To the right of the table are buttons for 'Add', 'Delete', and 'Delete All'. At the bottom of the dialog are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Name	Value

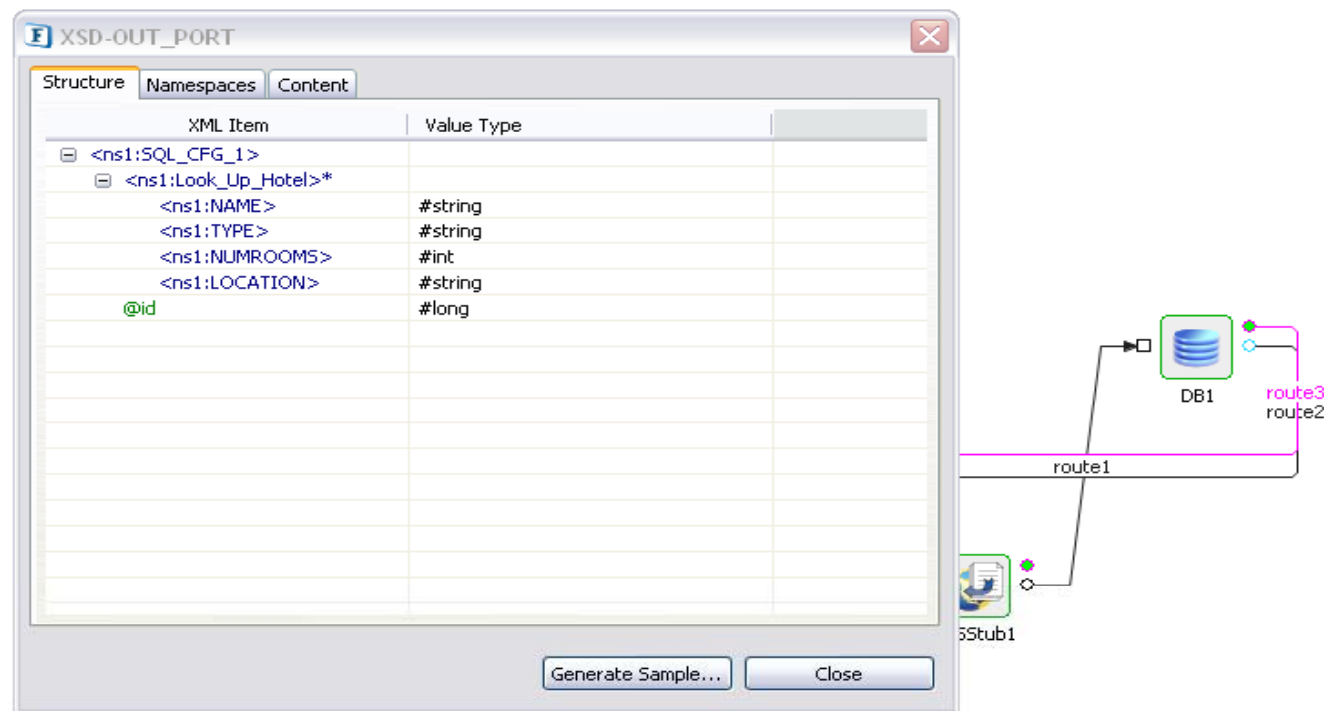


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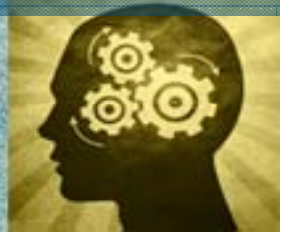


- Identify and configure input and output ports. Based on the configuration of the CPS (Component property sheet), each component generates schemas on both input and output ports.
- The schema defines the data format (XSD, DTD, XML) for input and output messages.



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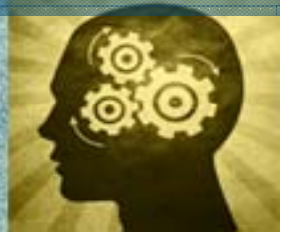
- Ensure the ESB supports error-handling at the component (adapter) level
- Each component should have an error-handling configuration (configured via the CPS) to allow predefined actions to be set for each type of error-condition
- For instance, if you wish to stop message processing when an error occurs, set the “Stop Service” action: this ensures that incoming messages are queued up at the input port; such messages are processed only once the component is restarted

The screenshot shows the 'Error Handling' configuration window for 'OracleOut_Geneva [DB:4.0]'. The window title is 'OracleOut_Geneva [DB:4.0]'. The main heading is 'Error Handling' with the instruction 'Select the remedial actions for the errors'. There are three expandable sections: 'Request Processing Error', 'Connection Error', and 'Invalid Request Error'. The 'Connection Error' section is currently expanded, showing options: 'Discard Connection' (unchecked), 'Try reconnection' (unchecked), 'Send To Error Port' (checked), and 'Stop Service' (unchecked). Below these is an 'Advance Settings' box with 'Time between retries (ms)' set to 30000, 'Number of retries' set to 1, 'Infinite' checked, and 'Retries before sending error' set to 1. The 'Invalid Request Error' section is also expanded, showing 'Send To Error Port' (checked) and 'Donot stop service' (checked). At the bottom, there is a text prompt 'Place cursor on a property to view its description' and a row of buttons: '< Back', 'Next >', 'Finish', 'Cancel', and 'Save and Close'.

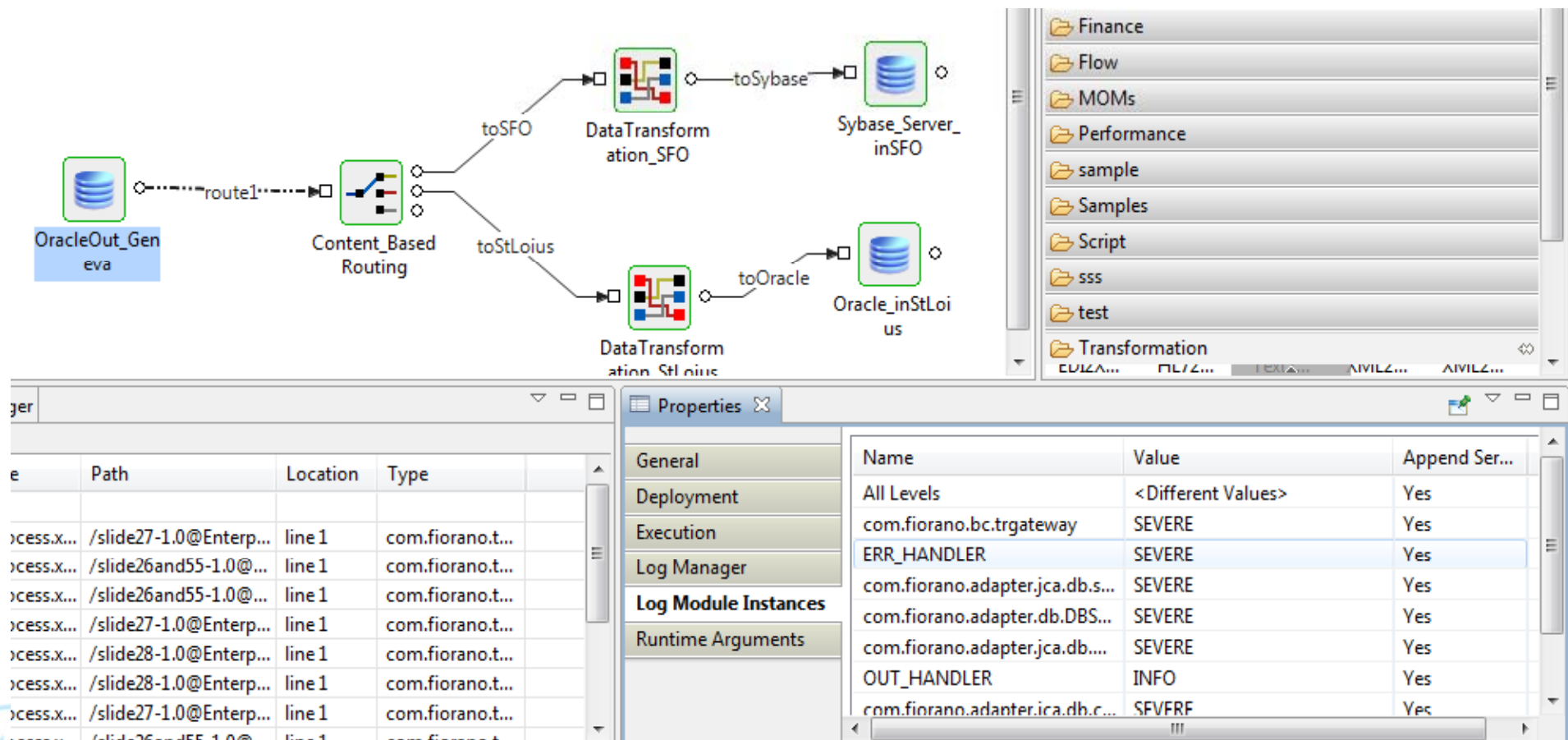


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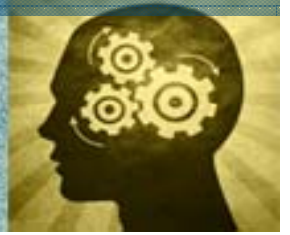


- Tracing and Logging support – essential to debug integration processes in a distributed environment.
 - ❖ Identify modules to set trace/log levels
 - ❖ View/change via Studio or Web-based Dashboard



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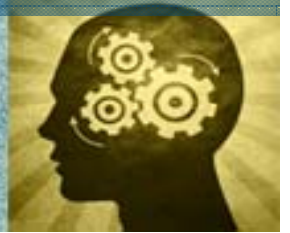


- Transaction support
 - ✓ Local (Client level transactions): typically associated with databases, allowing users to define boundaries across a set of queries and/or input messages
 - ✓ Global (XA): must be handled at the component level
 - ✓ Compensating transactions: mapped onto an ESB flow; on failure of a certain operation, a compensating transaction undoes the previous changes
- Performance Requirements
 - ✓ Expected transaction throughput: can be done by running flows in parallel on different peer servers and load balancing incoming messages across these peers
 - ✓ Multi-threading support: supported at the component level by increasing the number of JMS Sessions on the input port of a component
- Synchronous/Asynchronous; the ESB must handle both synchronous and asynchronous end-points, both for inbound and outbound requests (JMSIn, JMSOut, WSSStub, and WSConsumer)

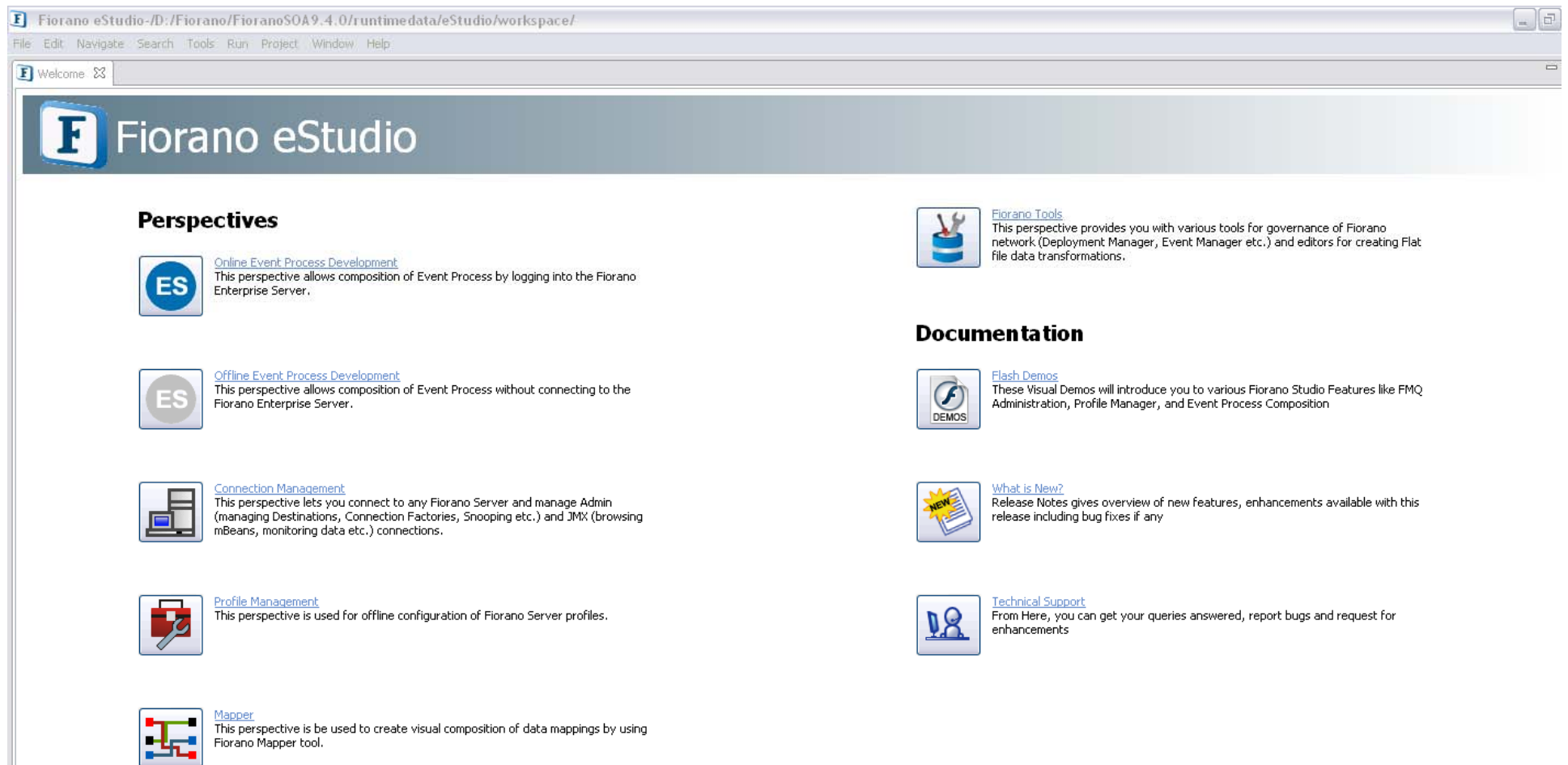


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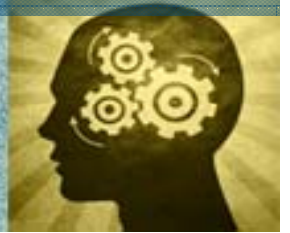


- Tools for service development – check for “online” (connected to the server) and “offline” (disconnected mode) development support
- Ideally, the ESB will support IDE plug-ins



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REUSING EXISTING SERVICES – BEST PRACTICES



- The ESB must allow custom-component development in multiple languages (Java, C, C++, .NET, scripts, etc), together with:
- Adapters to Web-Services, REST, COM, EJB, CORBA, RMI, etc
- Reuse of business processes

```
/**
 * creates an instance of Request Processor.
 * @param schema If there's any schema on the input port to be validated.
 * @param logger logger used for logging.
 * @param serviceConfiguration configuration object.
 */
public RequestProcessor(ESBRecordDefinition schema, Logger logger,
                       IServiceConfiguration serviceConfiguration) {
    super(schema, logger, serviceConfiguration);
    this.logger = logger;
}

/**
 * Processes the input request. By default it returns the input message.
 * @param request request string
 * @return response message.
 * @throws ServiceExecutionException if there is any exception in processing the request
 */
public String process(String request) throws ServiceExecutionException {
    logger.log(Level.INFO, RBUUtil.getMessage(Bundle.class, Bundle.REQUEST_PROCESSED, new Object[]{request}));
    // business logic goes here
    return request;
}

/**
 * Processes the input request. By default it returns the input object.
 * @param request request object
 * @return response object.
 * @throws ServiceExecutionException if there is any exception in processing the request.
 */
public Object process(Object request) throws ServiceExecutionException {
    logger.log(Level.INFO, RBUUtil.getMessage(Bundle.class, Bundle.REQUEST_PROCESSED, new Object[]{request}));
    return request;
}
```

Service Creation Wizard

Basic Details
Information required to identify service

Service Guid: myCustomComponent

Name: myCustomComponent

Version: 1.0

Category: FooConnectors

☒ Generate Source ☐ Assemble From Binary

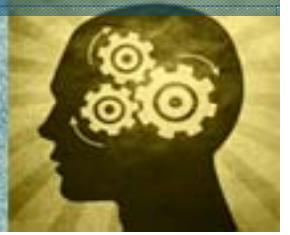
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Package Name:

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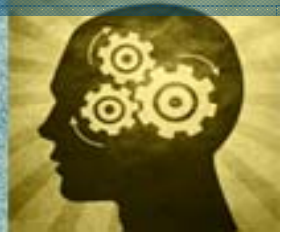


- Control vs. Data Flow
 - Data flow incorporates both synchronous and asynchronous message-flow; more general purpose than pure control flow
- Business Process Orchestration
 - Typically implies a central orchestration engine
 - For distributed ESBs, central orchestration is a bottleneck; Choreographed Event-flow processes with a graphical representations that map directly to the physical implementation offer greater flexibility and generality
- Event Warehousing
- Security
- Logging, Tracing & Alerts
- Data format impedance mismatch
- Configuring Business processes for failover
- Configuring Business processes for performance

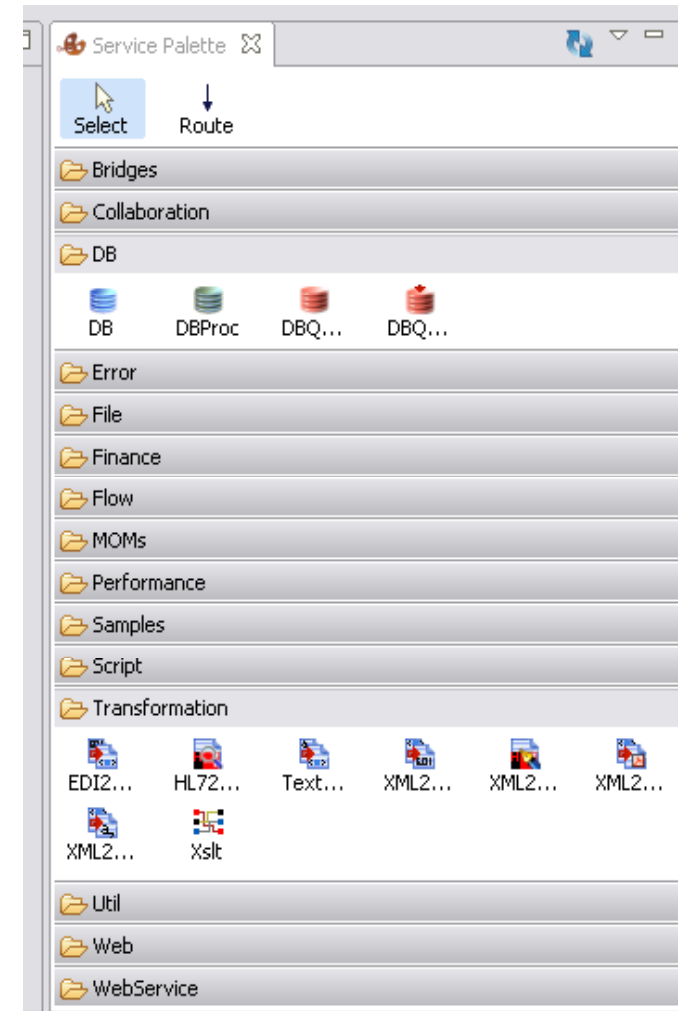
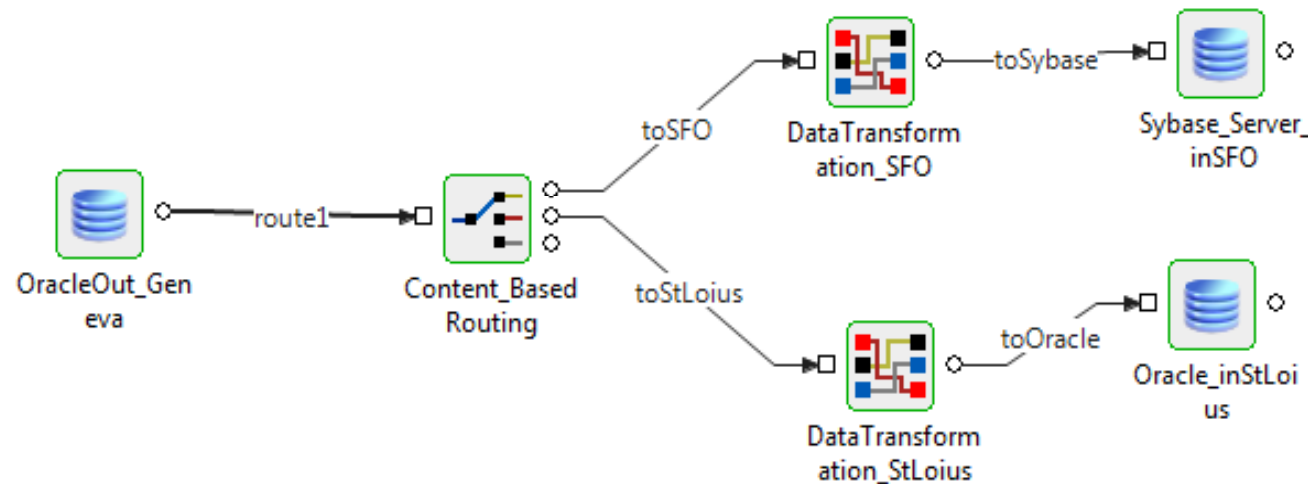


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EVENT PROCESS

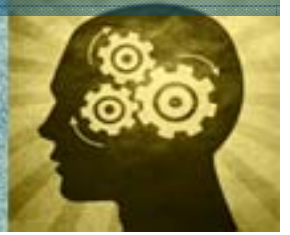


- Event Driven Business Process or simply “Event Process”
- Drag and drop approach



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BUSINESS PROCESS CHOREOGRAPHY

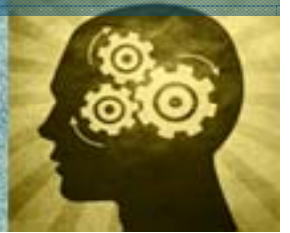


- Composition using pre-built services
- Data routing
- Control information
- Data transformation
- Identifying Node Names
- Configuring Service Design time properties



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DOCUMENT TRACKING



- Document tracking is a critical requirement essential to audit the incoming and outgoing data flowing through each component; message warehousing.

localhost:1980/ESBDashboard/index.html#Application%20Documents

Fiorano SOA 9.4.0, Build No. 9550, OS: Windows 7 32-bit, JVM: 32-bit, English [Home](#) [Logo](#)

SBW WorkFlows Count

Application Name ▲	In Transit	Completed	Exception Documents
CTMGATEWAYSTATICDATA	0	0	0
CTMMOCKUP	0	0	0
DATABASE_REPLICATION	0	0	0
DATABASE_UPDATE	0	0	0
DB_DEMO	1	1	2
DB_SAM			
DB_SAMPLE			
DB_SHOW			

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DB_DEMO > fps_1315494768488_1

SBW Documents

Document ID ▲	Component
DB1_DB_DEMO_1315494768488_1	DB1

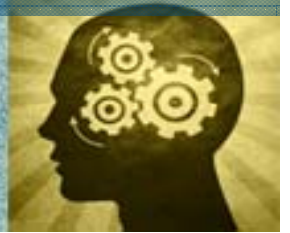
Document Details for DB1_DB_DEMO_1315494768488_1

Properties Attachments General Message Body Application Context Carry Forward Properties Source Contexts

Name ▼	Value
ESBX__SYSTEM__WORK_FLOW_INST_ID	fps_1315494768488_1
ESBX__SYSTEM__WORKFLOW_STATUS	EXECUTING
ESBX__SYSTEM__USER_DEFINED_DOC_ID	
ESBX__SYSTEM__TOTAL_TIME	0
ESBX__SYSTEM__STATE_ID	ON_EXCEPTION
ESBX__SYSTEM__SOURCE_DESTINATION_NAME	DB_DEMO_DB1__ON_EXCEPTION
ESBX__SYSTEM__SOURCE	fps
ESBX__SYSTEM__SINK	FES
ESBX__SYSTEM__PORT_NAME	ON_EXCEPTION
ESBX__SYSTEM__OUT_TIME	1315495273555
ESBX__SYSTEM__IN_TIME	1315495273555
ESBX__SYSTEM__EXECUTING_INCR	1
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ROLE BASED SECURITY



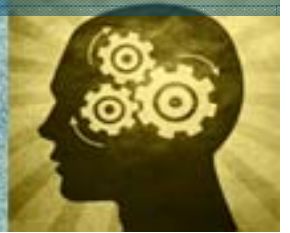
- The ESB must support ACL-based security. Users can be assigned different roles and each role has different permissions

The screenshot displays the Fiorano ESB Dashboard interface. The browser address bar shows the URL: `localhost:1980/ESBDashboard/index.html#Global%20Permissions`. The Fiorano logo is prominently displayed at the top left of the dashboard. On the left side, there is a 'Navigation Panel' with a tree view containing the following items: Events, Security (expanded), Users, Groups, Global Permissions (selected), Application Permissions, Principal Store Sync, Security Datastore Reset, and Password Rules. Below the tree view, there are buttons for Applications, Monitoring, Server Status, and Audit Management. The main content area is titled 'Global Permissions' and features a 'View/Edit Allowed Principals' button. Under the 'Permissions' section, there is a list of 25 permissions, each preceded by a gear icon and a checkbox. The permissions are: ALL PERMISSIONS, PERMISSION TO ADD AND DELETE NAMED OBJECTS, PERMISSION TO ADMINSTRATE A GROUP, PERMISSION TO CHANGE PASSWORD RULES, PERMISSION TO CHANGE PROPERTIES OF AN APPLICATION, PERMISSION TO CLEAR USER EVENTS, PERMISSION TO COMPOSE AN APPLICATION, PERMISSION TO CONFIGURE A FPS, PERMISSION TO CREATE AN ACL, PERMISSION TO CREATE OR EDIT AND DELETE A PRINCIPAL, PERMISSION TO CREATE OR EDIT AND REMOVE SERVICE ACL, PERMISSION TO CREATE OR MODIFY OR DELETE AUDIT STORAGE POLICIES, PERMISSION TO CREATE OR UPDATE AND DELETE A SERVICE, PERMISSION TO DELETE AUDIT EVENTS, PERMISSION TO DELETE MESSAGES IN QUEUE, PERMISSION TO DELETE SBW DOCUMENTS, PERMISSION TO KILL AN APPLICATION, PERMISSION TO LAUNCH AN APPLICATION, PERMISSION TO MODIFY EXISTING NAMED OBJECTS, PERMISSION TO PUSH MESSAGES IN QUEUE, PERMISSION TO REINJECT SBW DOCUMENTS, PERMISSION TO REMOTELY ADMINSTRATE AN APPLICATION, PERMISSION TO VIEW AND USE NAMED OBJECTS, and PERMISSION TO VIEW RUNNING AND SAVED APPLICATIONS.



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LOGGING, TRACING & ALERTS



- To facilitate debugging in a distributed environment, the ESB should ideally allow alerts to be set depending on trace and log levels

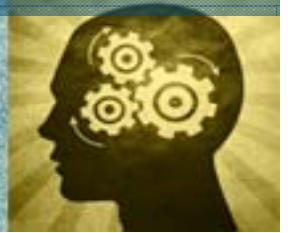
The screenshot shows the Oracle Service Bus (OSB) console. At the top, a Data Transformation process is shown with a connector labeled 'toOracle' pointing to an 'Oracle_inStLoius' target. Below this, the 'Properties' window is open, displaying a table of log module instances.

Name	Value	Append Ser...
All Levels	<Different Values>	Yes
com.fiorano.bc.trgateway	SEVERE	Yes
ERR_HANDLER	SEVERE	Yes
com.fiorano.adapter.jca.db.s...	SEVERE	Yes
com.fiorano.adapter.db.DBS...	SEVERE	Yes
com.fiorano.adapter.jca.db....	SEVERE	Yes
OUT_HANDLER	INFO	Yes
com.fiorano.adanter.ica.db.c...	SEVERE	Yes

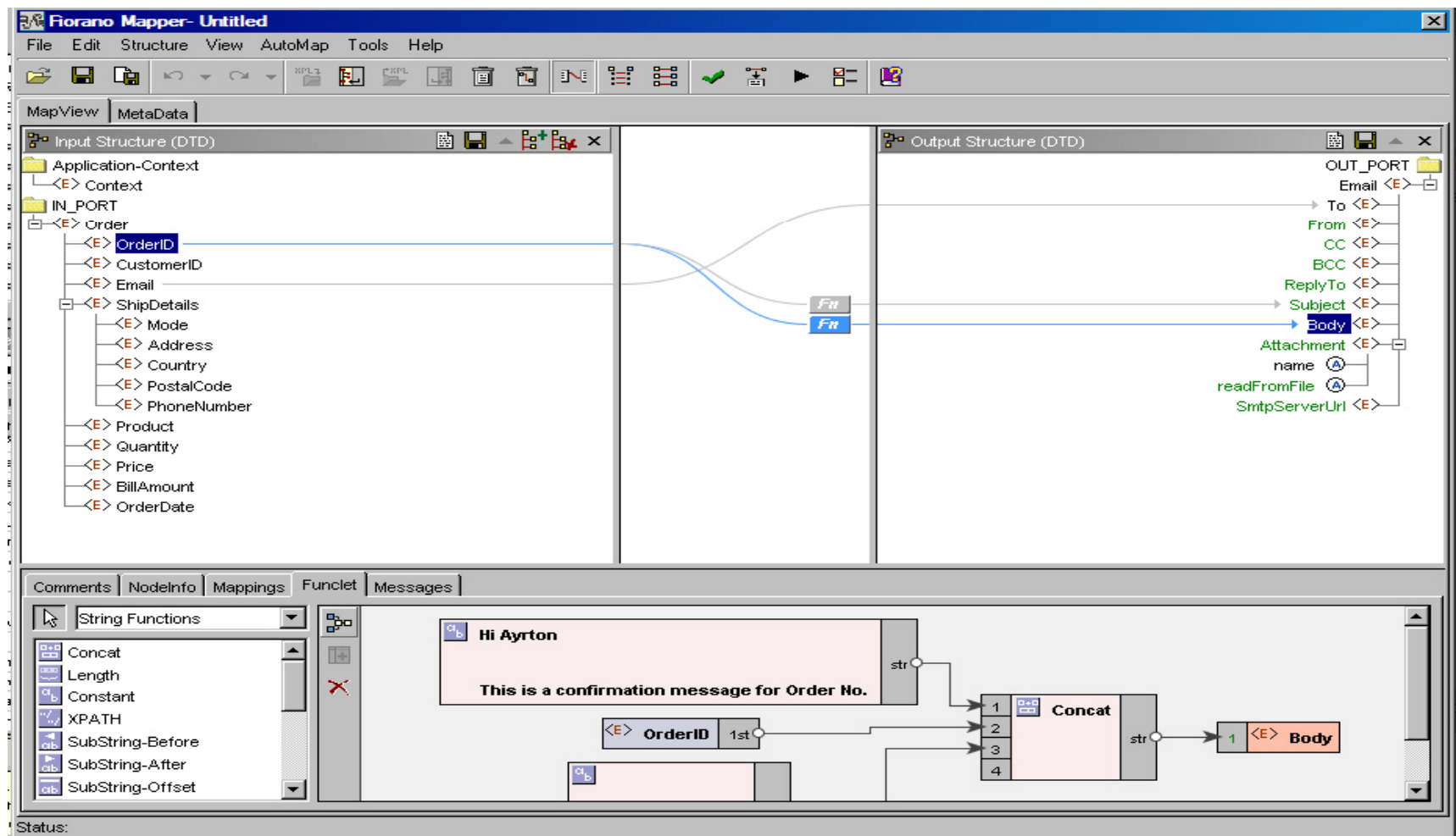


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DATA FORMAT IMPEDANCE MISMATCH

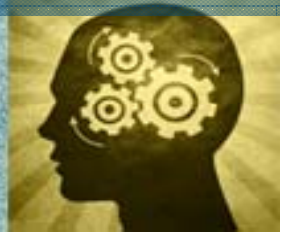


- Transformation is fundamental to ESB processes; powerful XSLT visual transformation tools are mandatory; manual XSLT injection is a strong plus

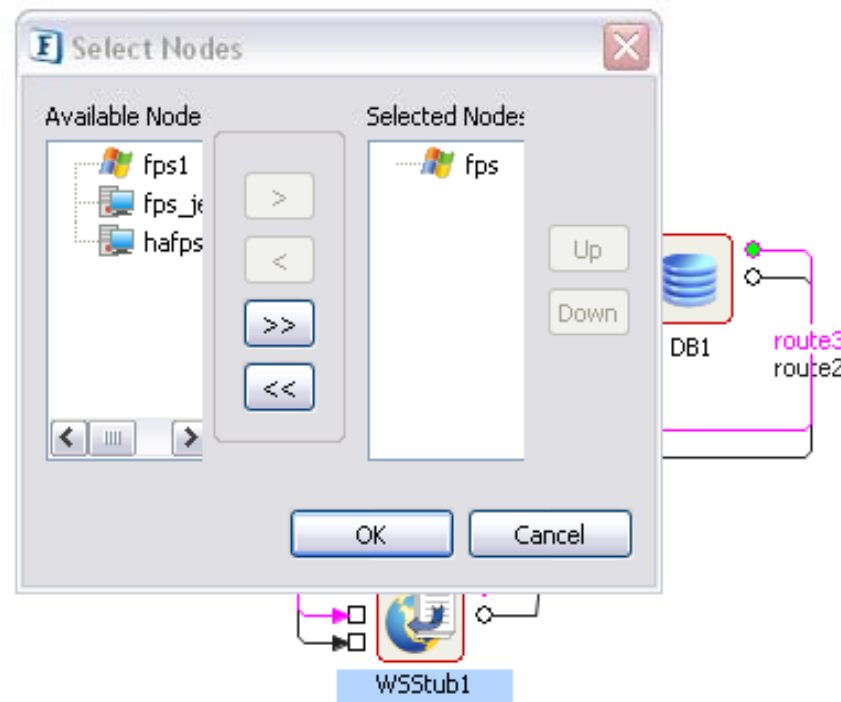


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CONFIGURING BUSINESS PROCESSES FOR FAILOVER

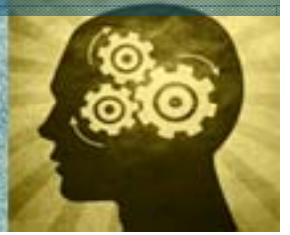


- State failover for services: if a Service/Component fails on a given machine, it should be relaunched on another (failover) machine
- Server level failover: if the ESB server fails, a pre-configured backup should seamlessly take over



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CONFIGURING BUSINESS PROCESSES FOR PERFORMANCE

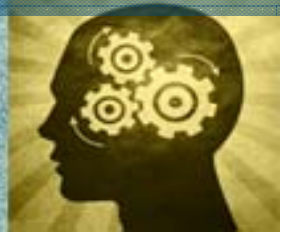


- Identifying Parallel data flows
- Dynamic rerouting of data based on load
- Identifying Heavy-weight services (80/20 Rule)
- Running multiple instances of “heavy weight” services on different nodes
- Sub-Flows and Sub-Processes for effective business process execution
- Log/Trace level optimization
- Event tracing optimization



STEP 4 – DEFINING DISTRIBUTED ESB PROCESS

CONFIGURING BUSINESS PROCESSES FOR PERFORMANCE



- Load-balancing should be possible at the Service/Component level
- E.g. based on a preconfigured weightage, incoming messages are distributed to the output ports of a distribution component

DistributionService Custom Property Sheet Wizard

Steps in wizard

1. Output Port Details
2. Weight Distribution

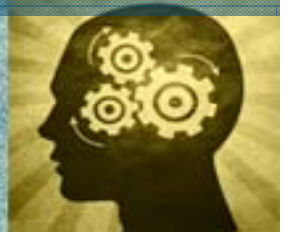
Weight Distribution
specify weight of each output port

Port Name	Weight
OUT_PORT_0	1
OUT_PORT_1	1
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OUT_PORT_3	1
OUT_PORT_4	1

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STEP 5 – DEPLOYING ESB PROCESSES

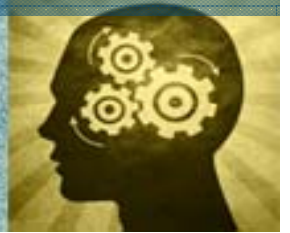


- Deployment - what does it mean ?
- Identifying Network Domain/Topology
- Manual Services vs. Auto-Launched Services
- Security issues for Deployment
- Service Development Languages and Platforms



STEP 5 – DEPLOYING ESB PROCESSES

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?



- Deployment Descriptors – are typically used to hold execution parameters and deployment information of components, including dependent services, resources, etc. The ESB uses such descriptors to deploy components at runtime.

The screenshot shows the 'EAI Demo' application window with the 'ServiceDescriptor.xml' file open. The 'Deployment' tab is active, displaying configuration options for a deployment descriptor.

General Information

Label: ☒ Production ☐ QA ☐ Development ☐ Staging

Supported OS:

☐ Linux ☐ Windows ☐ Macintosh ☐ Solaris

☒ All OS

☒ AutoInstallable

Resource

Name	For Cor
fesb-ra.xml	true
ra.xml	false
fbcomp-DB.jar	true
estudio-db.jar	true
dbconnection32.png	false
dbconnection.png	false
version.properties	false

Buttons: Add..., Remove, Up, Down

Service Dependencies

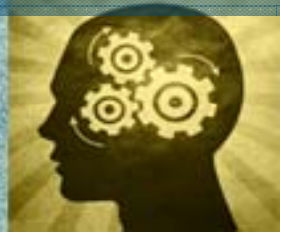
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base64
log4j
jdbc
dmlparser
BCGateway
xalan

Buttons: Add/Remove..., Up, Down

Navigation: Overview | Execution | Deployment

STEP 5 – DEPLOYING ESB PROCESSES

MANUAL VS AUTO LAUNCH



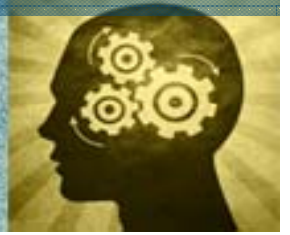
Manual Services

- Executed externally to the ESB (Servlets, EJBs etc)
- Combination of managed and unmanaged components
- Managed Components like:
 - ✓ A Webservice deployed in a Webservice container
 - ✓ An EJB deployed in J2EE container
 - ✓ A COM Object deployed in COM+ server
 - ✓ A CORBA based server Object deployed in an ORB
 - ✓ Windows Service
- Unmanaged Components like:
 - ✓ Java executable archive
 - ✓ A C/C++ executable
 - ✓ Legacy Application running in a mainframe environment
 - ✓ A Unix shell program (functioning within a pipe-and-filter style architecture)



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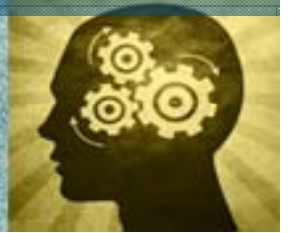
Auto Launched Services

- Native ESB services: managed and launched by ESB containers
 - Auto start/stop and restart of these services
 - Connectivity management
 - Fine grained monitoring



STEP 5 – DEPLOYING ESB PROCESSES

SECURITY ISSUES



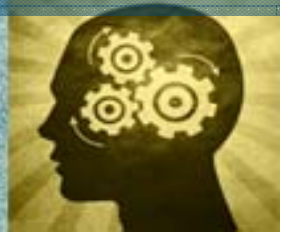
- Ideally, the ESB should allow flexible Deployment Manager to control and manage service deployment
- For instance, the ESB should enable users to allow/restrict the execution of components that belong to certain integration processes on certain machines across the network
- Useful for fine-grained control of the integration process as well as for Security

The screenshot shows a 'New Rule' dialog box with the following details:

- Name of the Rule:** DevelopmentEnvRules
- Radio Buttons:** ☐ Allow, ☒ Disallow
- Execution of Bussiness Component[s]:**
 - ☒ where business component guid contains guid
 - ☒ where business component version matches version
 - ☐ where business component label contains label
- As part of Event Process[s]:**
 - ☐ where event process guid contains guid
 - ☐ where event process version matches version
 - ☒ where event process label matches label
- On peer server[s]:**
 - ☐ where peer server name contains name
 - ☒ where peer server label contains label
- Rule Description:** Disallow execution of business component[s] where business component guid contains [DB](#) and where business component version matches [4.0](#) as part of event process[s] where event process label matches [Development](#) on peer server[s] where peer server label contains [Production](#)



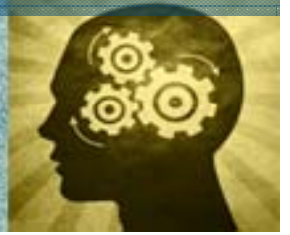
STEP 6 – LAUNCHING & MONITORING ESB PROCESSES



- Remote Launch of Business Process
- Monitoring state of Application and all its associated service instances
- Runtime hooks to determine state of service
- Real-time data debugging
- Business Process Monitoring
 - ✓ SNMP, JMX etc
 - ✓ Monitoring of Servers



STEP 6 – LAUNCHING & MONITORING ESB PROCESSES

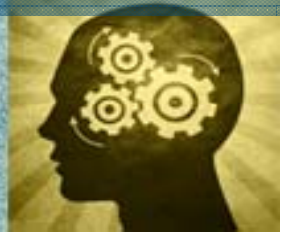


Launch of ESB processes

- Remote Launch of ESB Services
- Service Instantiation
 - ✓ On-demand/On-Event Instantiation
 - ✓ Auto Instantiation
- Re-Launch of Business Process
 - ✓ Auto re-launch on different set of nodes
 - ✓ Rules based re-launch of business process

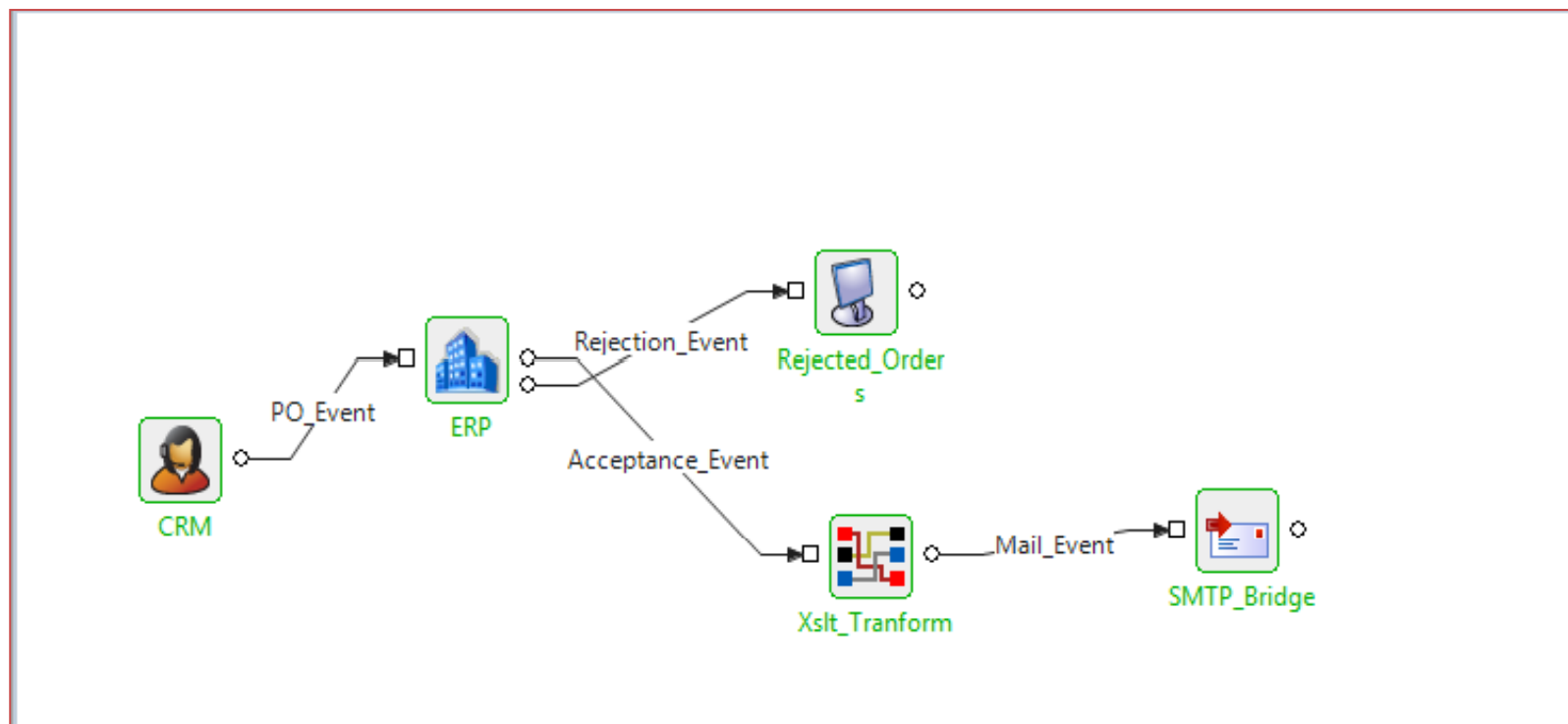


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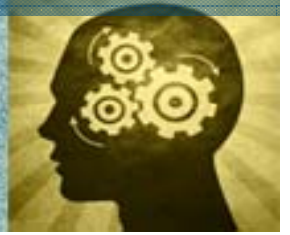


Monitoring the state of an Integration flow and its associated service instances

- ✓ Local Queue (message) Monitoring and Management
- ✓ Identify performance/scalability bottlenecks in real time by checking the number of backed up messages on input queues
- ✓ Identify parallel flows in the Integration

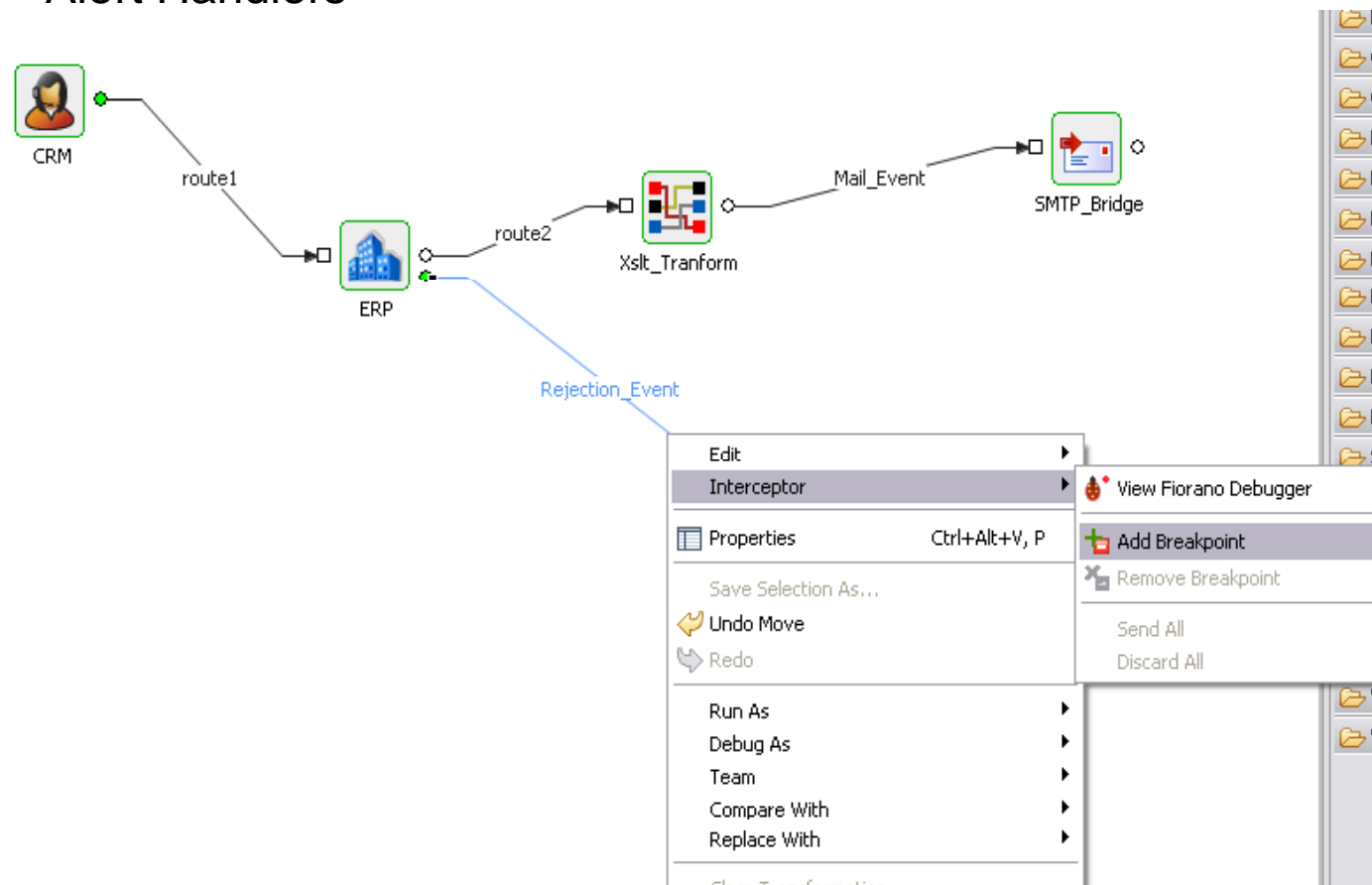


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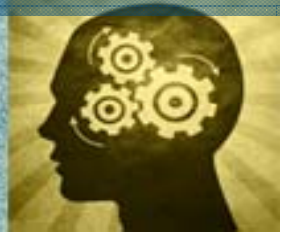


Ensure the ESB supports runtime hooks to determine the state of a particular service

- ✓ Runtime tracing and Logging
- ✓ Sub-Flows to handle Error conditions
- ✓ Alert Handlers



STEP 6 – LAUNCHING & MONITORING ESB PROCESSES



Real-time Message Interception

- breakpoints can be set to view content of 'in-flight' messages (payload, properties)
- facilitates debugging of distributed integration processes

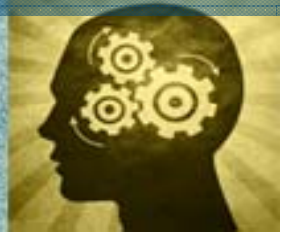
The screenshot displays the Fiorano Debugger interface. At the top, a message flow diagram shows a sequence of components: CRM, ERP, Xslt_Transform, Mail_Event, and SMTP_Bridge. A red line labeled 'Rejection_Event(1)' connects the ERP component to a 'Rejected_Order' component. Below the diagram, the 'Messages' panel shows a message with the following XML payload:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Order>
  <OrderID>654435</OrderID>
  <CustomerID>987651</CustomerID>
  <Email>ayrton@fiorano.com</Email>
  <shipDetails>
    <Mode>Air</Mode>
  </shipDetails>
  <Address>Fiorano Software Technologies Pvt. Ltd.
```

On the right, the 'Properties' panel lists various message properties and their values:

Property	Value
Header	
Application Context Size	
Byte Body Size	
Correlation ID	
Destination	EAI_DEMO_
Expiration Date	0
JMS Message ID	ID:106_f_1
JMS Message Type	TextMessag
JMS Timestamp	131742302
Message Number	
Message Size	1649
Persistent	true
Priority	4

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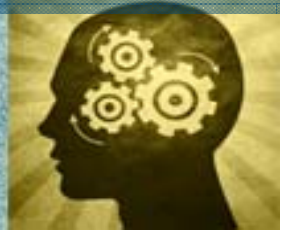


Business Process Monitoring

- SNMP, JMX etc
- Monitoring of Servers
 - ☐ Heap usage
 - ☐ Backlog monitoring
 - ☐ Performance monitoring



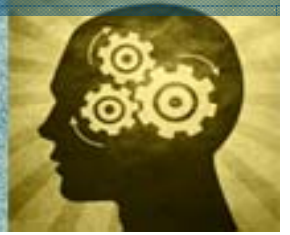
STEP 6 – CHANGE MANAGEMENT & VERSIONING



- **Dynamic Extensions to Business processes**
 - ✓ Static vs. Dynamic
 - ✓ Impact Analysis
 - ✓ Extend Business process to include new services
 - ✓ Extend Business process to include data services with different data formats
 - ✓ Optimize Business process for performance, scalability
 - ✓ Extend Business processes to handle network configuration changes
- **Service and Application Versioning**



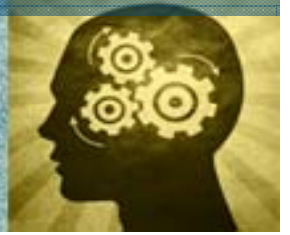
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- **Configuration Management**
 - ✓ Moving from one stage to another (QA to Deployment)
 - ✓ Moving from one environment to another (customer to internal testing)
- **Extension to Business process**
 - ✓ Updating Data Consistency Application to include a different data center
- **Change to Business Process**
 - ✓ Flexibility to adapt to new technologies (WebService instead of a C++ stand alone Application)

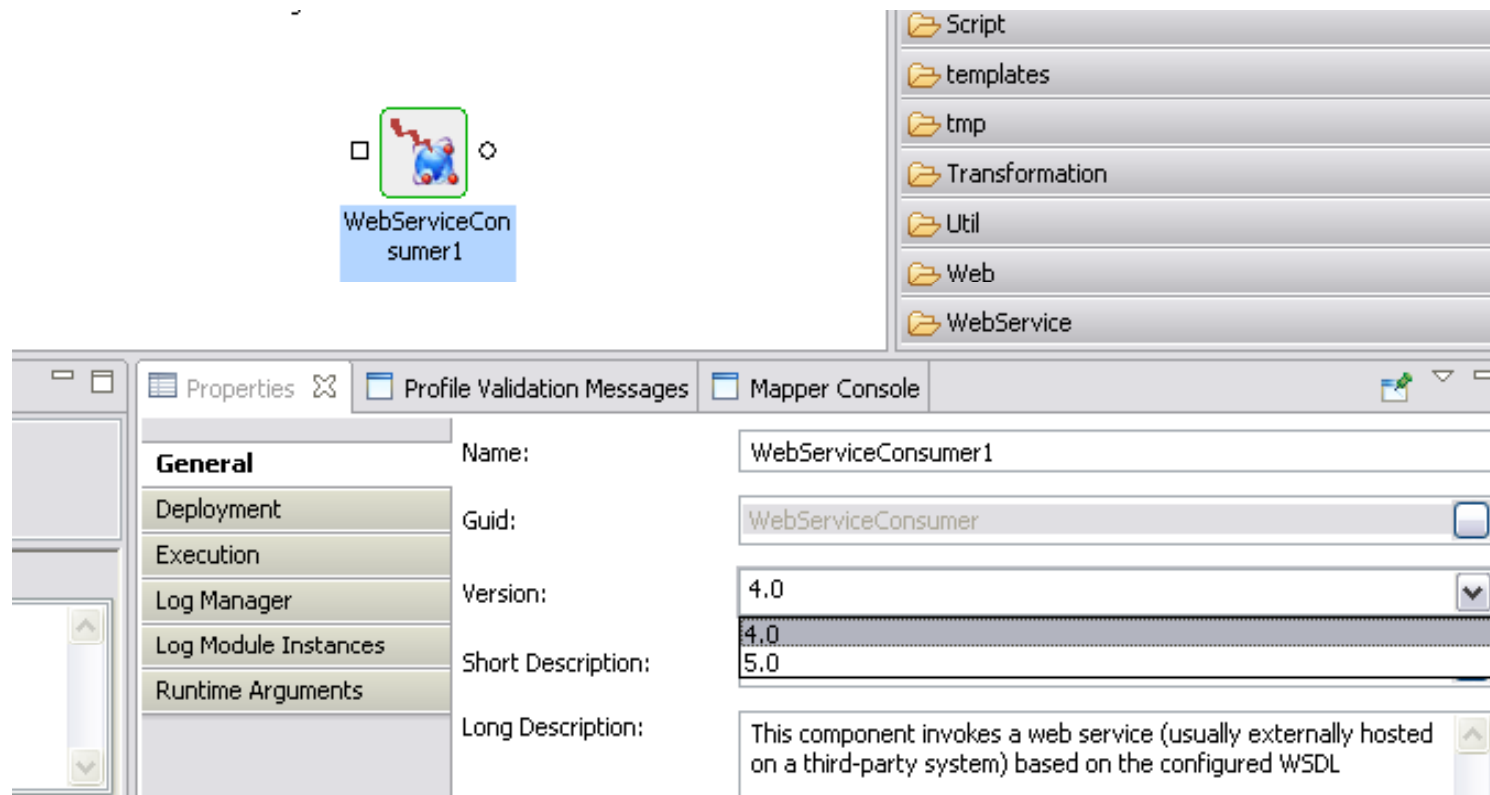


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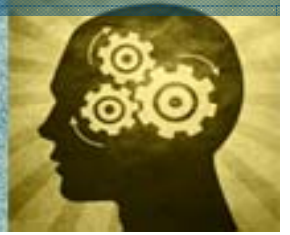


Service and Application Versioning

- Manage and maintain multiple versions of services along with Labels
- Quickly allow migration from one service version to another



STEP 6 – CHANGE MANAGEMENT & VERSIONING



Configuration Management

- Moving from one stage to another (e.g. Development to QA, QA to Staging, etc.)
- Point and click-operation: the user should be allowed choose the target environment configuration in a single operation, without using multiple scripts

The screenshot shows a 'Properties' dialog box with a tabbed interface. The 'Environment Properties' tab is selected. It features a 'Target Environment' dropdown menu currently set to 'Development'. Below this is a table with columns for 'Property' and 'Value'. The table is organized into sections for different applications: CRM, ERP, and a third unnamed section. Each section has 'Configuration Properties' and 'Instance Properties'.

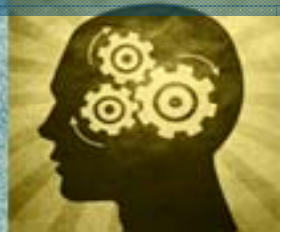
Property	
CRM	
Configuration Properties:	
Instance Properties:	
Nodes	fps
cache	true
ERP	
Configuration Properties:	
Instance Properties:	
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PUTTING THEORY TO PRACTICE



TECHNOLOGY HYPE IS CONFUSING THE ISSUES WITHOUT PROVIDING A CLEAR PATH FORWARD



Example: ZapThink view



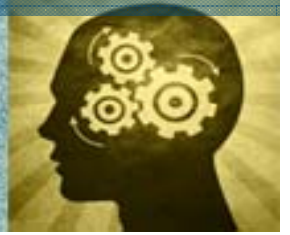
ZapThink view

- Need to choose standards that work today and will evolve for future
- Solve the real integration problem – more than a Proof of Concepts
- Must build incrementally on top of existing systems



STANDARDS REDUCE COSTS BUT...

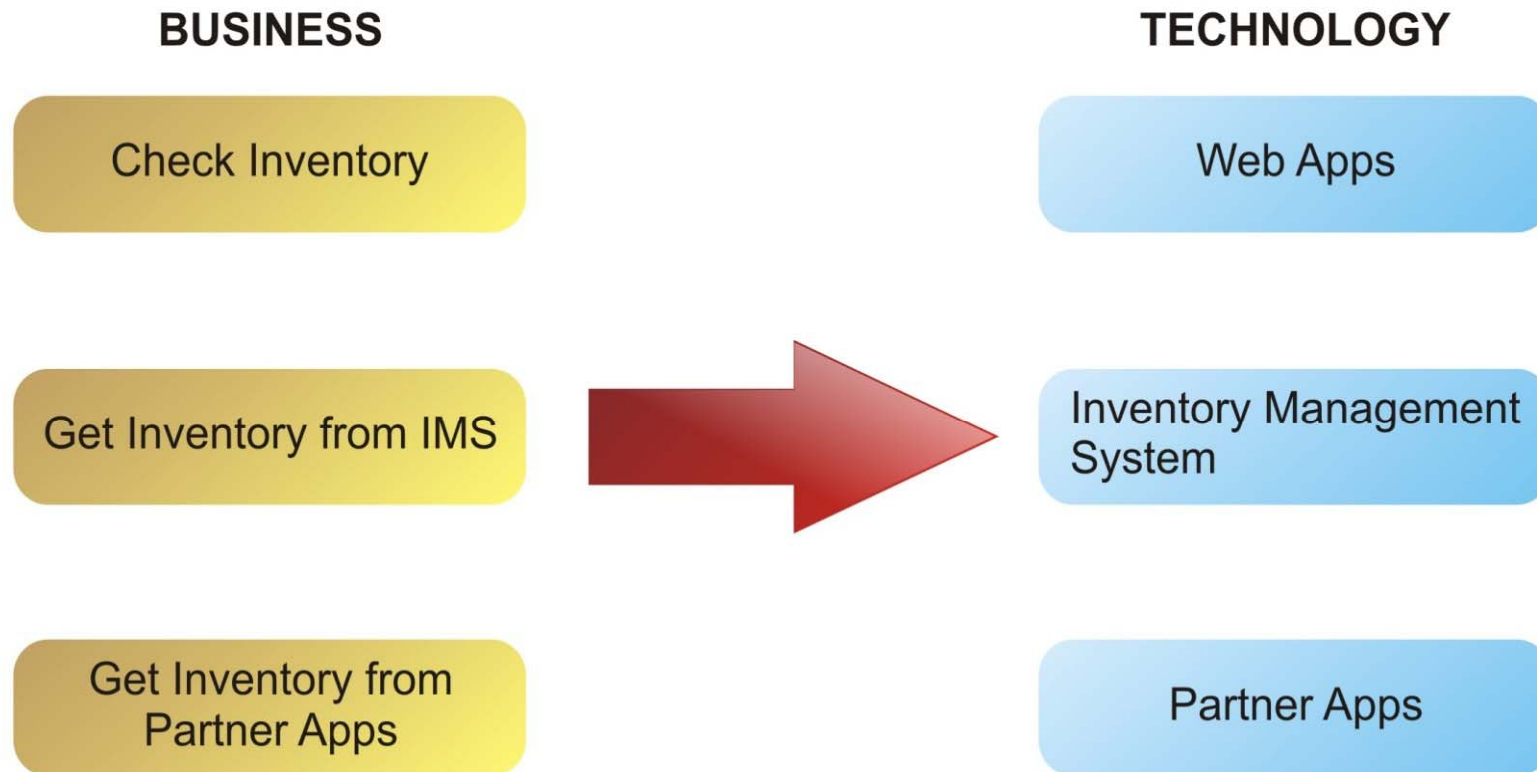
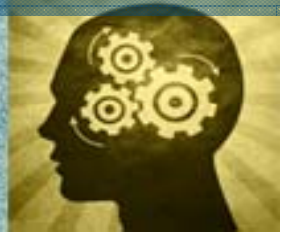
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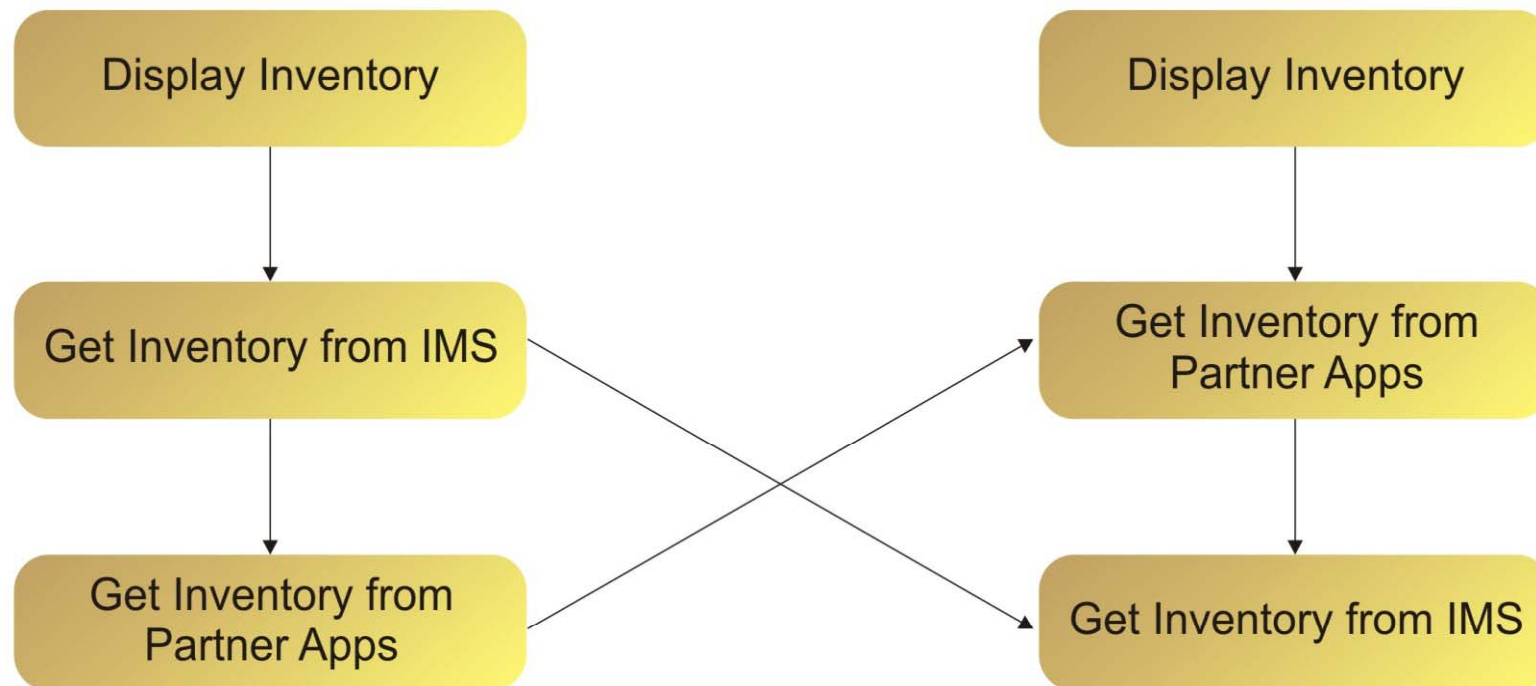
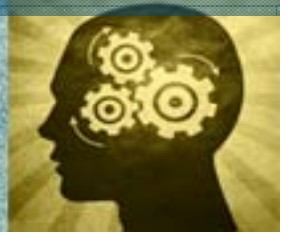
- **Business Person's View**
 - ✓ High-level model of business process flow
- **IT Level View**
 - ✓ Implementation flow differs substantially from business process view
- **Impedance mismatch creates fundamental problems**
 - ✓ Implementations have too many “moving parts”
 - ✓ Business-level change requirements difficult and time-consuming to implement



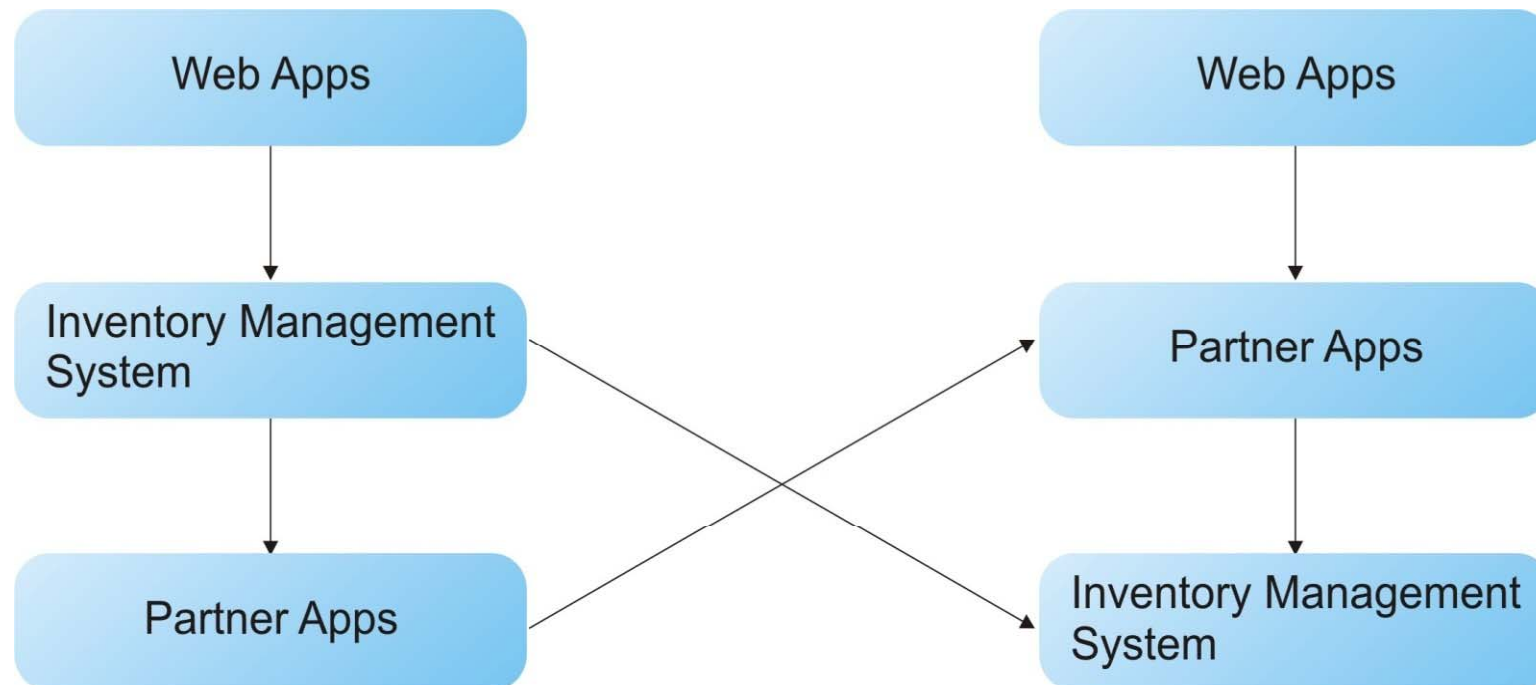
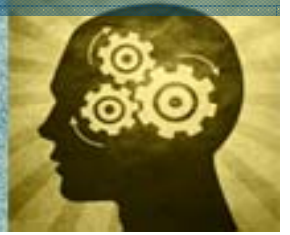
THE FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEM – DIVERGENT BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY



A CHANGE IN BUSINESS PROCESS

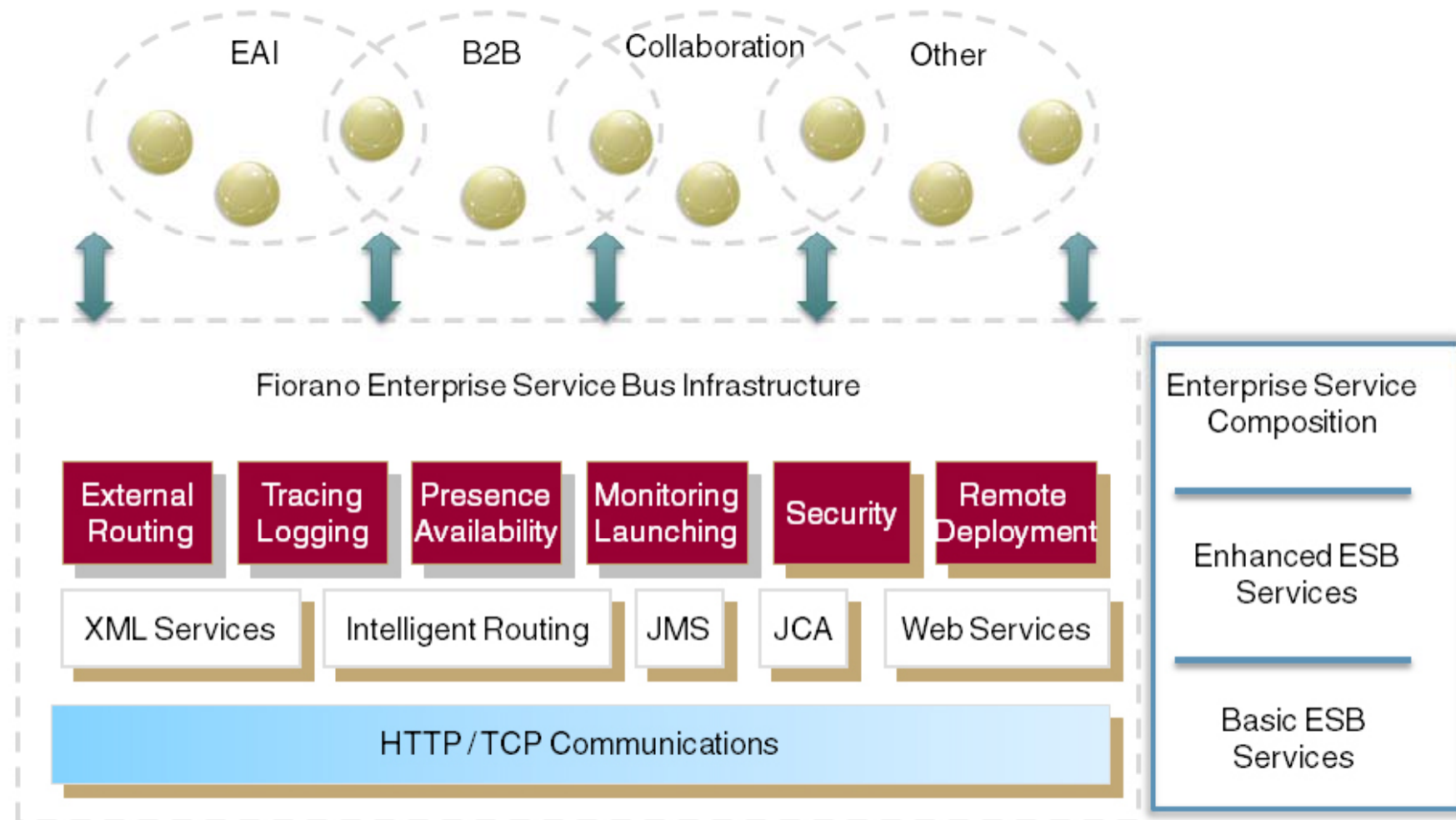
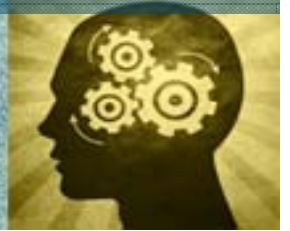


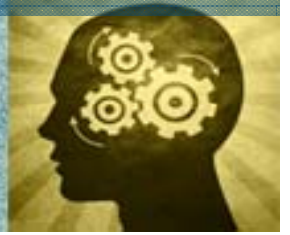
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PEER-TO-PEER ESB

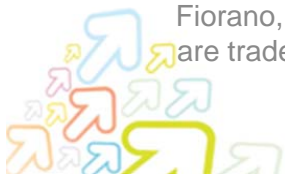




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