3118 J2EE Patterns

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Overall Presentation Goal

Review of Core J2EE Patterns.

Best Practices of J2EE Patterns.

Speaker's Qualifications

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- Frequently speaks on the subject of distributed computing programming, including CORBA and EJB architecture.

Introduction

- In the Beginning...
 - There was code
 - How do we get beyond copy and paste

Thought for the Session

A good scientist is a person with original ideas.

A good engineer is a person who makes a design that works with as few original ideas as possible.

—Freeman Dyson



Reuse Solutions

- OO
 - Models
- Component Oriented Development
 - Binaries

Why / Where do they come from

OOAD

- Notation UML
- Process (Raging)
- Software Development
 - Technical Requirements
 - Patterns
 - Business Requirements
 - Need further standardization

Patterns Definition

- Patterns communicate a solution to a recurring problem in context.
 - John Crupi

Four Pattern Elements

- Name
- Problem (with Context)
- Solution
- Consequences (Pro / Cons)

Pattern Value

- Design "Reuse"
- Best Practices
- Easy code mappings
- Higher level vocabulary

Early Patterns Solutions

- Gang of Four
 - Singleton
 - MVC
 - Command
- Context is technical and broad

Tend to be technical in nature and span language choices.

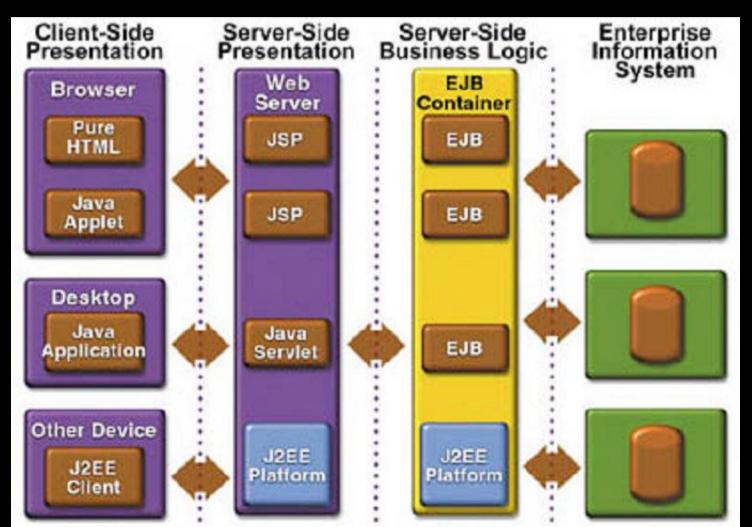
Limited understanding

J2EE Core Patterns

- Sun developed best practices
 - John Crupi, Dan Malks, Deepak Alur

J2EE Patterns

Patterns in the "context" of J2EE



Presentation Tier

- Intercepting Filter
- Front Controller
- Context Object
- Application Controller
- View Helper
- Composite View
- Service To Worker
- Dispatcher View



Business Tier

- Business Delegate
- Service Locator
- Session Façade
- Application Service
- Business Object
- Composite Entity
- Transfer Object
- Transfer Object Assembler
- Value List Handler



Integration Tier

- Data Access Object (DAO)
- Service Activator
- Domain Store
- Web Service Broker

Non-Core J2EE Patterns ©

- Fast Lane Reader
- MVC
- Mapper Pattern
- Pluggin Pattern
- Service Stub
- Token Pattern *

Patterns for this Session

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Focus on development and JBuilder

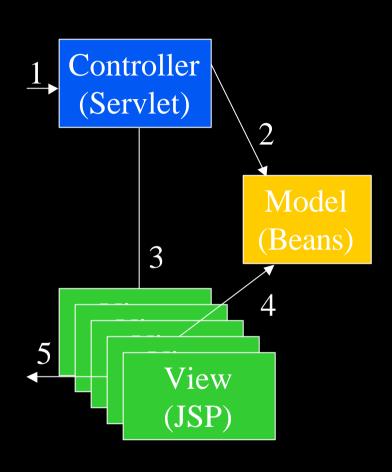


What Is a MVC?

- MVC stands for model / view / controller.
 - A software pattern where logic is separated from the model and view in order to provide for better reuse possibilities.
 - A software pattern recognized in the early days of small talk.
 - Documented in the GoF book.



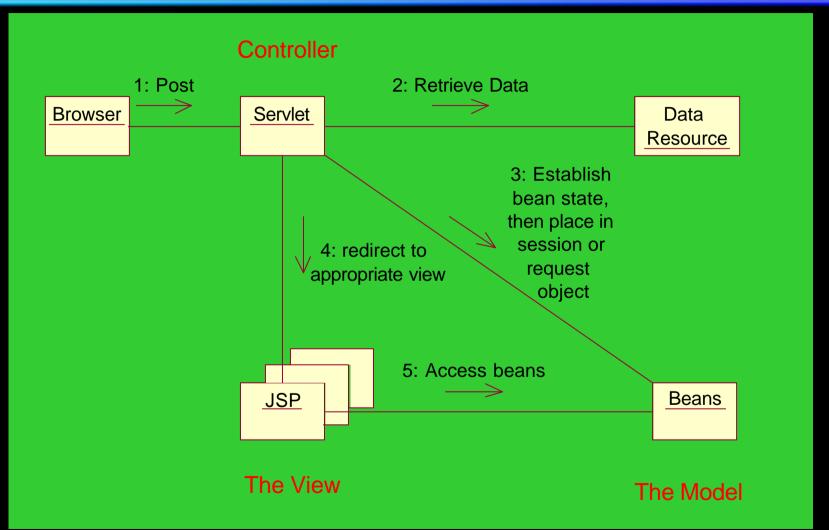
Web Application MVC Pattern



- Model
 - Information is provided in objects or beans
- View
 - The JSP provide the view
- Controller
 - Servlet provides control logic and becomes the controller

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MVC Collaboration Diagram



Front Controller / MVC Solutions

- J2EE Context
- Struts
 - Concept of a Front Controller
 - ActionServlet
 - RequestProcessor

Demo

Jbuilder / Struts

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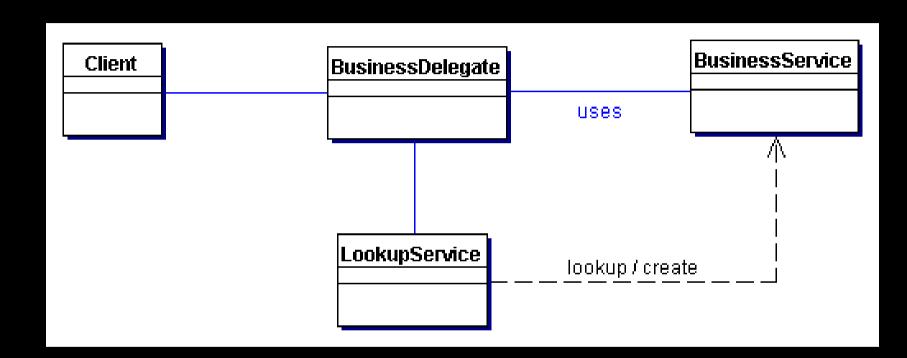
Business Delegate

- Presentation Tiers
- Reduction of coupling of the client tiers to the business tiers
- Centralizes code for lookups, access details

Business Delegate

- Great place for:
 - Data transformation
 - Tier to tier coupling
 - Exception translation
 - Manage unit tests
 - Service Stubs

Delegate Diagram



Mapper Pattern

- An object that sets up a communication between two independent objects -Fowler
- Provides a configurable access to service stubs

Pluggin Pattern

 Links classes during configuration rather than compilation - Fowler

Service Stub

- Removes dependence upon problematic services during testing
 - Fowler

Mapper / Pluggin Solution

Client

Mapper Interface

EJB

Delegate

Mapper

Stub

Mapper

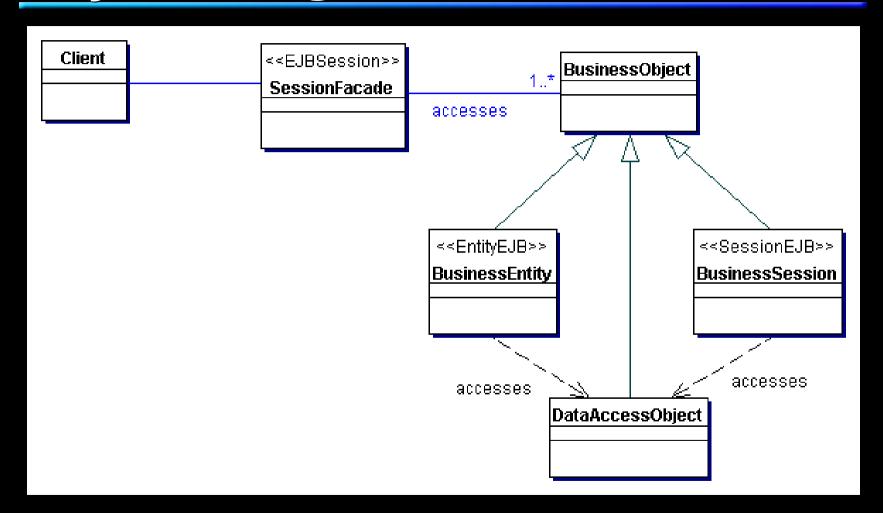
EJB Tier



Session Façade

- Removes the number of client / server method invocations
- Uniform client access strategy
- Remove direct Entity Bean access
- Provides course grain access to Business

Façade Diagram



Data Transfer Object (DTO)

 Data Structure for serialization across tiers.

Demo

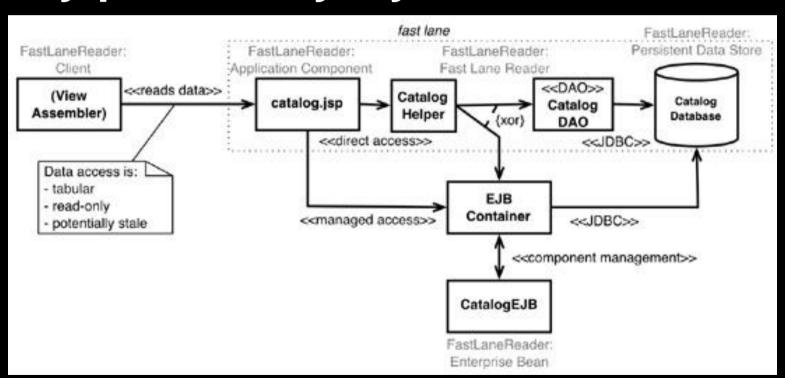
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Fast Lane Reader

- Fast access to read-only data
- By pass Entity layer.



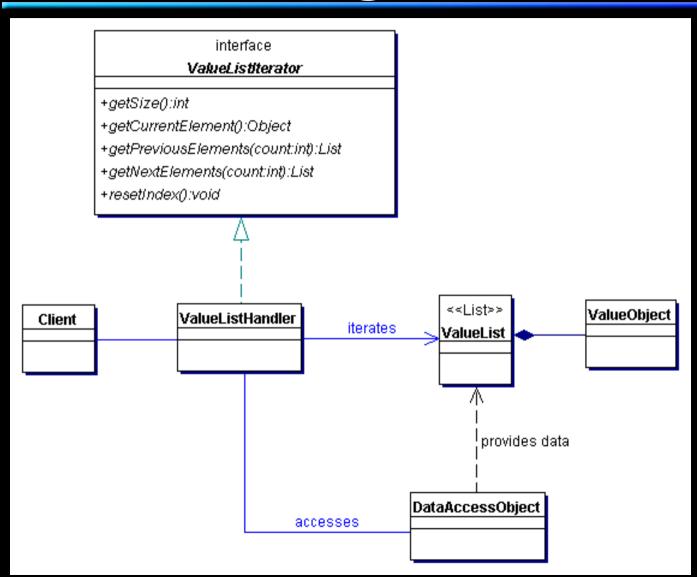
Token Pattern

- Synchronize the Client Presentation Tier
 - Effort to stop multiple requests

Value List Handler

 Provides a scalable solution to providing lists of data to the client.

Value List Diagram



Concluding Thoughts

- Patterns presented are in heavy use today and add value
- JBuilder continues to aid in providing wizards to accelerate pattern focused development.

Resources

- http://java.sun.com/blueprints/corej2e epatterns/
- http://www.martinfowler.com/eaaCatal og/

Questions?



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