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# Introduction to Middleware

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## Introduction to Middleware

- What is a Distributed Transaction ?
- What is Middleware ?
- Middleware in Distributed computing
- Different forms of Middleware



# What is a Transaction ?

## Transaction

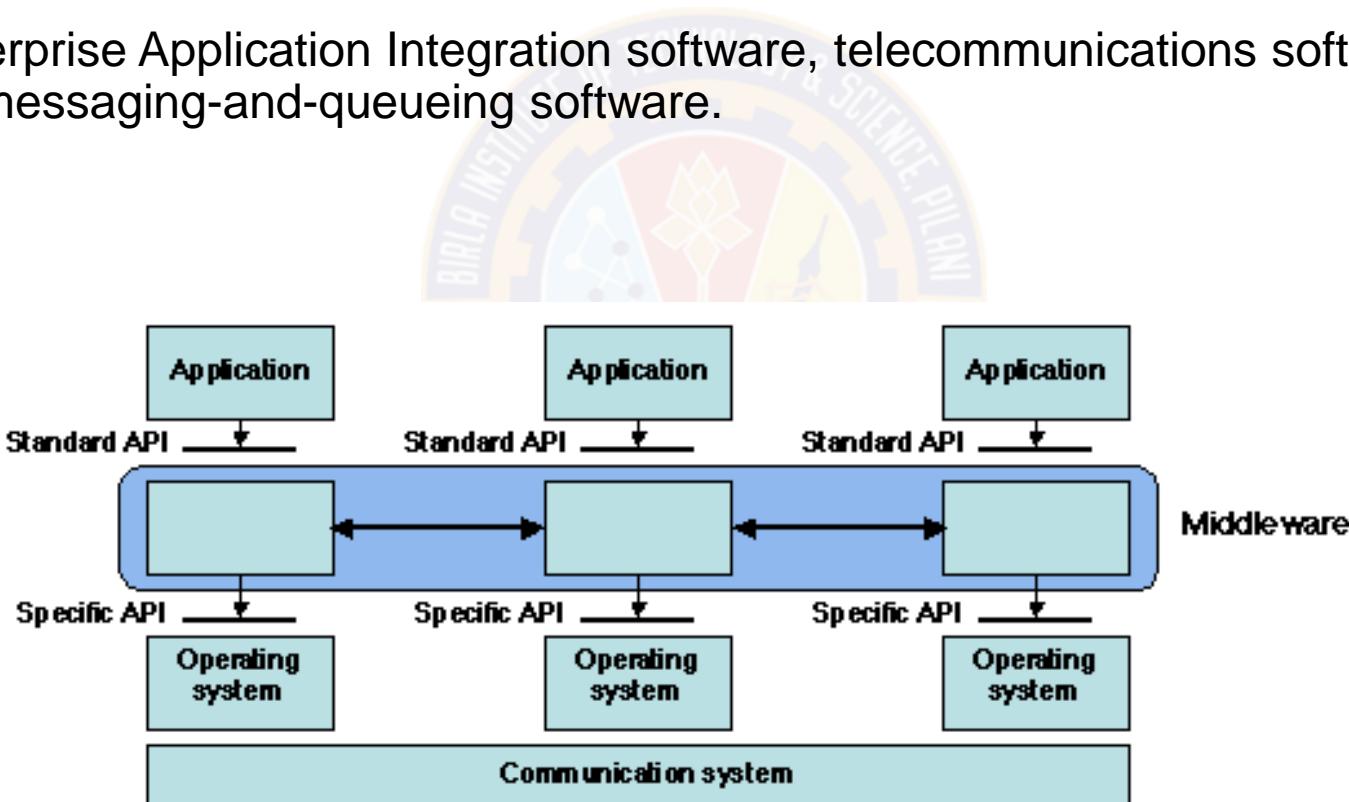
- “A transaction symbolizes a unit of work performed (comprising of multiple operations if needed) within a system (distributed or monolith) and treated in a coherent and reliable way independent of other operations.”
- Properties of a Transaction:
  - Atomic
  - Consistent
  - Isolated
  - Durable
- All or Nothing mode of operation
- Ex: Funds transfer (debit remittance account and credit beneficiary account)



# What is Middleware ?

## What is it ?

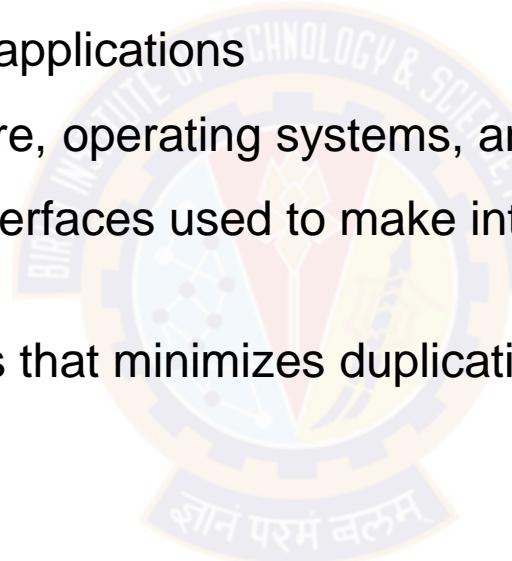
- “Middleware is the software that connects software components or enterprise applications in a distributed system”.
- Examples: Enterprise Application Integration software, telecommunications software, transaction monitors, and messaging-and-queueing software.



# Middleware in Distributed computing

## What does it do ?

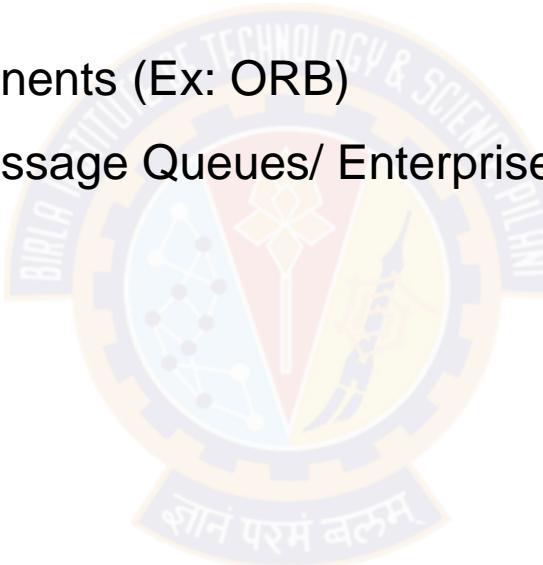
- Lies between the operating system and the applications on each side of a distributed computer network
- Hides the intricacies of distributed applications
- Hides the heterogeneity of hardware, operating systems, and protocols
- Provides uniform and high-level interfaces used to make interoperable, reusable and portable applications
- Provides a set of common services that minimizes duplication of efforts and enhances collaboration between applications



# Middleware – common forms

## Commonly used Architectures of Middleware

- Sockets
- Remote Procedure Calls
- Distributed Object Oriented Components (Ex: ORB)
- Message Oriented Middleware (Message Queues/ Enterprise Message Bus etc.)
- Service Oriented Architectures
- Web services (Arbitrary / RESTful)
- SQL-oriented data access
- Embedded middleware
- Cloud Computing





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In our next session:  
Socket Data structures



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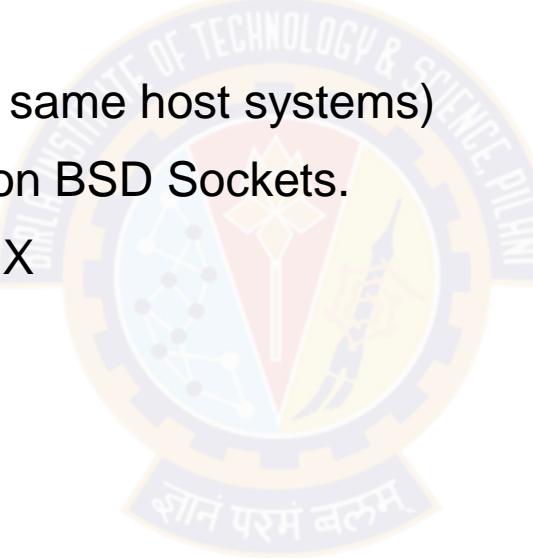
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# Socket - Introduction

## What is it ?

- Socket is an internal endpoint for sending/receiving data within a node on network
- Berkeley/POSIX sockets defined API for Inter Process Communication (IPC) within same host (BSD 4.2 – circa 1983)
- Early form of Middleware (limited to same host systems)
- Windows variant (WinSock) based on BSD Sockets.
- Treated similar to files in BSD/POSIX
- Maintained in File Descriptor table
- Supported protocols
  - TCP/IP – IPv4, IPv6
  - UDP



# Socket – Data Structures

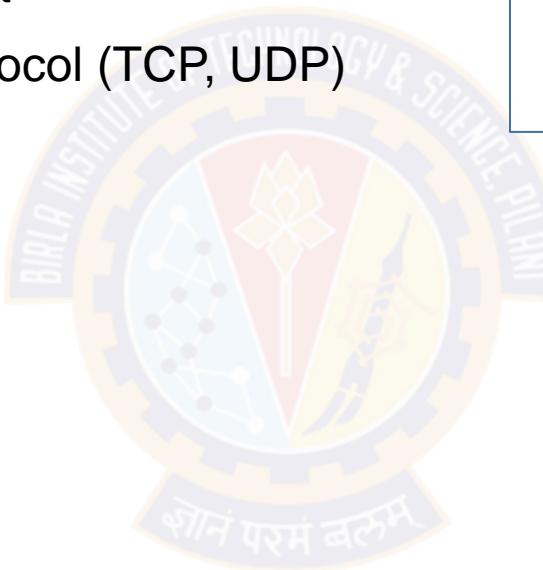
## Socket Address

- Defined in *sys/socket.h*
- Address length is 8 bytes by default
- Family – Denotes the family of protocol (TCP, UDP)
- Address contains – host and port
- Socket Address family TCP/IP
  - IPv4 - sockaddr\_in

```
sa_family_t      sin_family;
in_port_t        sin_port;
struct in_addr   sin_addr;
```

- IPv6 - sockaddr\_in6
- ```
sa_family_t      sin6_family;
in_port_t        sin6_port;
uint32_t         sin6_flowinfo;
struct in6_addr  sin6_addr;
uint32_t         sin6_scope_id;
```

```
struct sockaddr
{
    unsigned char sa_len; // length of address
    sa_family_t sa_family; // the address family
    char sa_data[14]; // the address
};
```



# Socket – Library Calls

## Socket APIs

**socket** —creates a descriptor for use in network communications

**connect** —connect to a remote peer (client)

**write** —send outgoing data across a connection

**read** —acquire incoming data from a connection

**close** —terminate communication and deallocate a descriptor

**bind** —bind a local IP address and protocol port to a socket

**listen** —set the socket listening on the given address and port for connections from the client and set the number of incoming connections from a client (backlog) that will be allowed in the listen queue at any one time

**accept** —accept the next incoming connection (server)

**recv** —receive the next incoming datagram

**recvmsg** —receive the next incoming datagram (variation of recv)

**recvfrom** —receive the next incoming datagram and record its source endpoint address

**send** —send an outgoing datagram

**sendmsg** —send an outgoing datagram (variation of send)

**sendto** —send an outgoing datagram, usually to a prerecorded endpoint address

**shutdown** —terminate a TCP connection in one or both directions

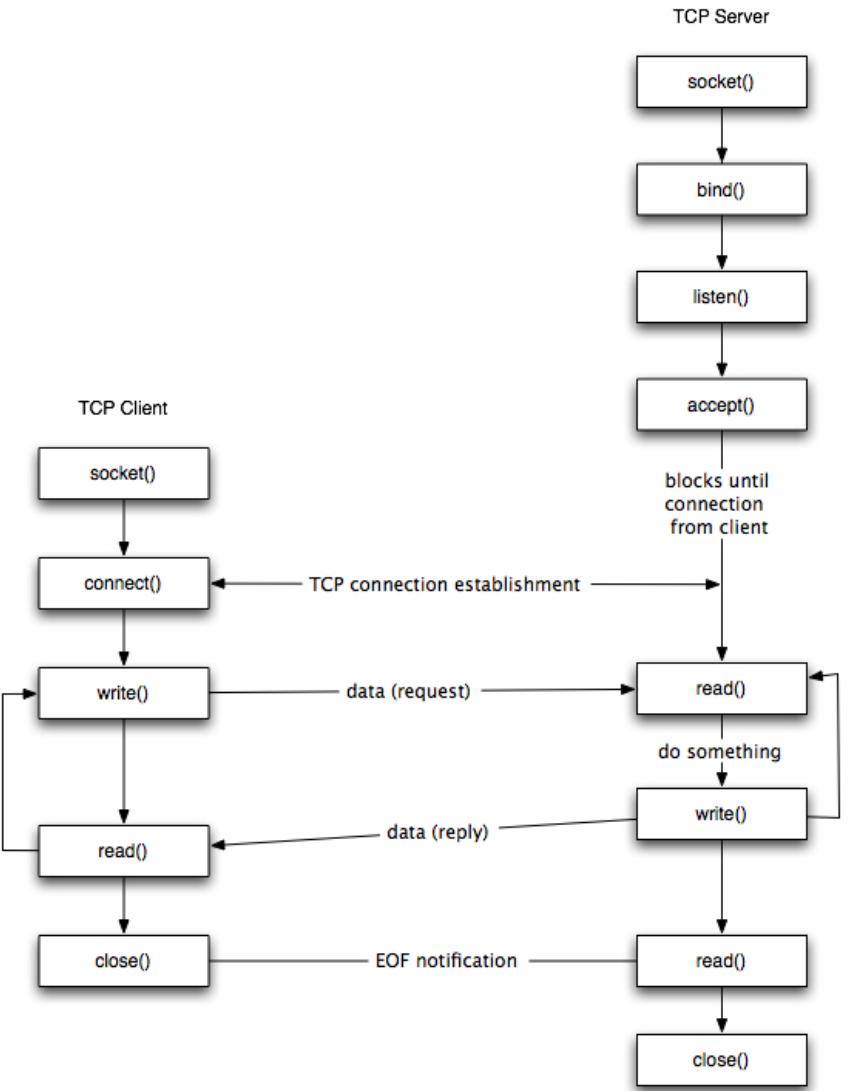
**getpeername** —after a connection arrives, obtain the remote machine's endpoint address from a socket

**getsockopt** —obtain the current options for a socket

**setsockopt** —change the options for a socket

# Socket – General Operation

## Lifecycle



# Socket – Example

## Server code

```
int main()
{
    int server_socket_fd, client_conn_fd;
    int client_addr_size;
    struct sockaddr_in server_addr, client_addr;
    int port_number;
    char message_from_client[256];
    char message_from_server_to_client[256];
    int client_message_length, server_message_length;
    // Set the port number
    port_number = 1132;
    // Create the socket for the server to listen on
    server_socket_fd = socket( AF_INET,
        SOCK_STREAM,
        0
    );
    if (server_socket_fd < 0)
        PrintError("ERROR opening socket");
    // clear out the server address to make sure no problems
    // with binding
    // if the address is clear then it won't think the address has
    // already been used by another socket
    bzero( (char *) &server_addr, sizeof(server_addr));
```

```
// set the sockaddr_in struct appropriately
// note that this assumes IPv4
server_addr.sin_family = AF_INET;
server_addr.sin_addr.s_addr = INADDR_ANY,
server_addr.sin_port = htons(port_number),
// Bind the socket descriptor to the address
if (bind( server_socket_fd,
    (struct sockaddr *) &server_addr,
    sizeof(server_addr))
<0)
    PrintError("binding to socket failed");
// Start the server listening on the socket
// limit the number of connections in the listen queue to 3
// (this is the backlog)
listen(server_socket_fd, 3);
while (1)
{
    // clear out the client address to make sure no problems with
    // accepting
    // on this address
    // if the address is clear then it won't think the address has
    // already been used by another socket
    bzero( (char *) &client_addr, sizeof(client_addr));
```

# Socket – Example

## Server code

```
// accept a connection from a client  
// on the open socket  
client_addr_size = sizeof(client_addr);  
client_conn_fd = accept( server_socket_fd,  
(struct sockaddr *) &client_addr,  
(socklen_t *) &client_addr_size  
);  
if (client_conn_fd < 0)  
PrintError("the accept failed");  
// Clear out the character array to store the client message  
// to make sure there's no garbage in it  
bzero(message_from_client, 256);  
// read the message from the client  
client_message_length = read( client_conn_fd,  
message_from_client,  
255  
);  
if (client_message_length < 0)  
PrintError(" unable to read from socket" );  
cout << " message is" << message_from_client << endl;
```

accept

```
// Now write a message back to the client  
// Doing a little mixed mode C++ strings and char buffers  
// just to show you how  
string mystring;  
mystring = " Server received from client, then echoed back to client:" ;  
mystring += message_from_client;  
bzero(message_from_server_to_client, 256);  
mystring.copy(message_from_server_to_client, mystring.length() );  
server_message_length = write( client_conn_fd,  
(char *) message_from_server_to_client,  
strlen(message_from_server_to_client)  
);  
if (server_message_length < 0)  
PrintError(" unable to write to socket" );  
sleep(5); // let the client close first, avoids socket address reuse issues  
close(client_conn_fd);  
} // end while (1)  
close(server_socket_fd); // this isn't reached because we used while (1)  
// but with a different while loop test condition  
// this would be important  
return 0;  
}
```

read

close

# Socket – Example

## Client code

```
int main()
{
    int socket_fd;
    struct sockaddr_in serv_addr;
    int port_number;
    char * IP_address;
    char client_message[256];
    int message_result;
    // Set the IP address (IPv4)
    IP_address = new char [sizeof(" 127.0.0.1 ")];
    strcpy(IP_address, " 127.0.0.1 "); // could instead have
    copied " localhost "
    // Set the port number
    port_number = 1132;
    // Create the socket
    socket_fd = socket( AF_INET,
    SOCK_STREAM,
    0
    );
    if (socket_fd < 0)
        PrintError(" ERROR opening socket" );
    // clear out the server address to make sure no problems
    with binding
    bzero((char *) &serv_addr, sizeof(serv_addr));
```

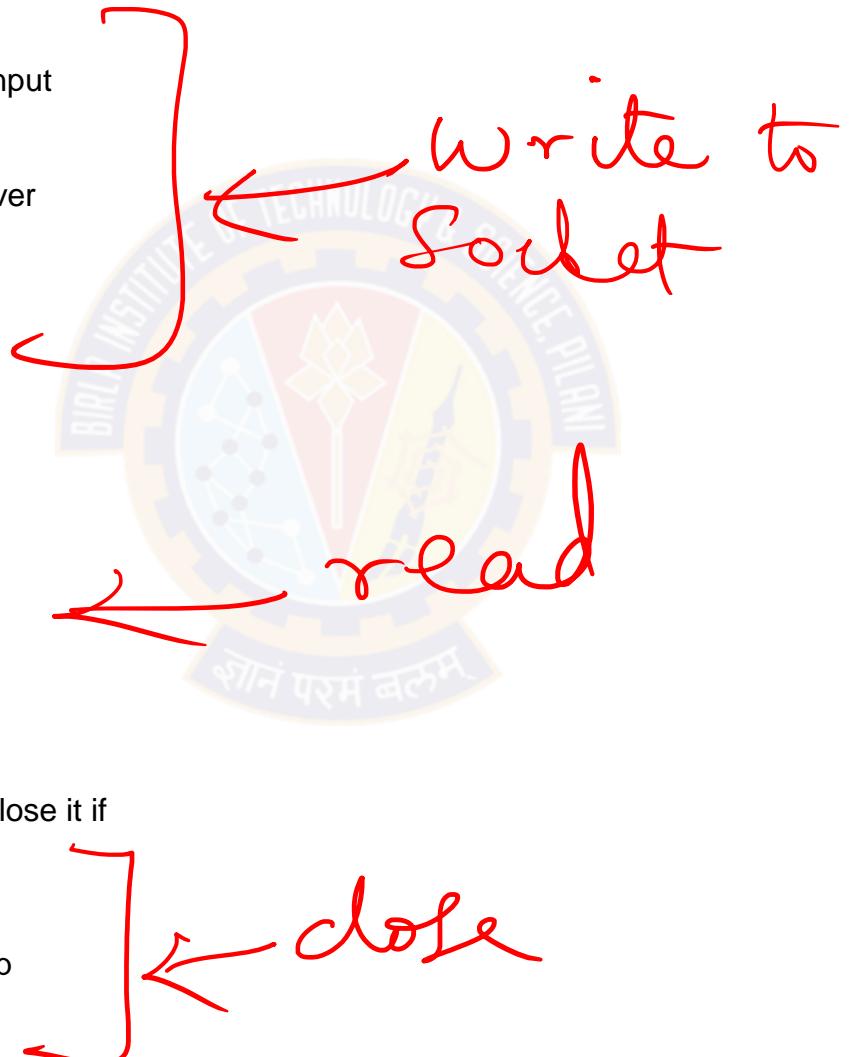
FPv4

```
// set the sockaddr_in struct appropriately
serv_addr.sin_family = AF_INET;
serv_addr.sin_port = htons(port_number);
// Use the inet_pton function to convert the IP address to
// binary
if (inet_pton( AF_INET,
IP_address,
&serv_addr.sin_addr
) < 0
)
    PrintError(" Unable to convert IP address to binary to put in
serv_addr" );
// Connect to the server
if (connect( socket_fd,
(struct sockaddr *)
&serv_addr,
sizeof(serv_addr)
) < 0
)
    PrintError(" unable to connect to server" );
cout << " Enter message to send to server: " ;
bzero(client_message,256);
```

# Socket – Example

## Client code

```
string mystring;
getline(cin, mystring); // read the line from standard input
cout << endl;
strcpy(client_message,mystring.c_str());
// Write the message to the socket to send to the server
message_result = write( socket_fd,
client_message,
strlen(client_message)
);
if (message_result < 0)
PrintError("unable to write to socket");
// Read the return message from the server
bzero(client_message,256);
message_result = read( socket_fd,
client_message,
255
);
if (message_result < 0)
PrintError("unable to read from socket");
cout << client_message << endl;
// close(socket_fd); // commented out because only close it if
you
// don't want to do more calling the server from
// a run of the client
delete [] IP_address; // return the memory to the heap
return 0;
}
```





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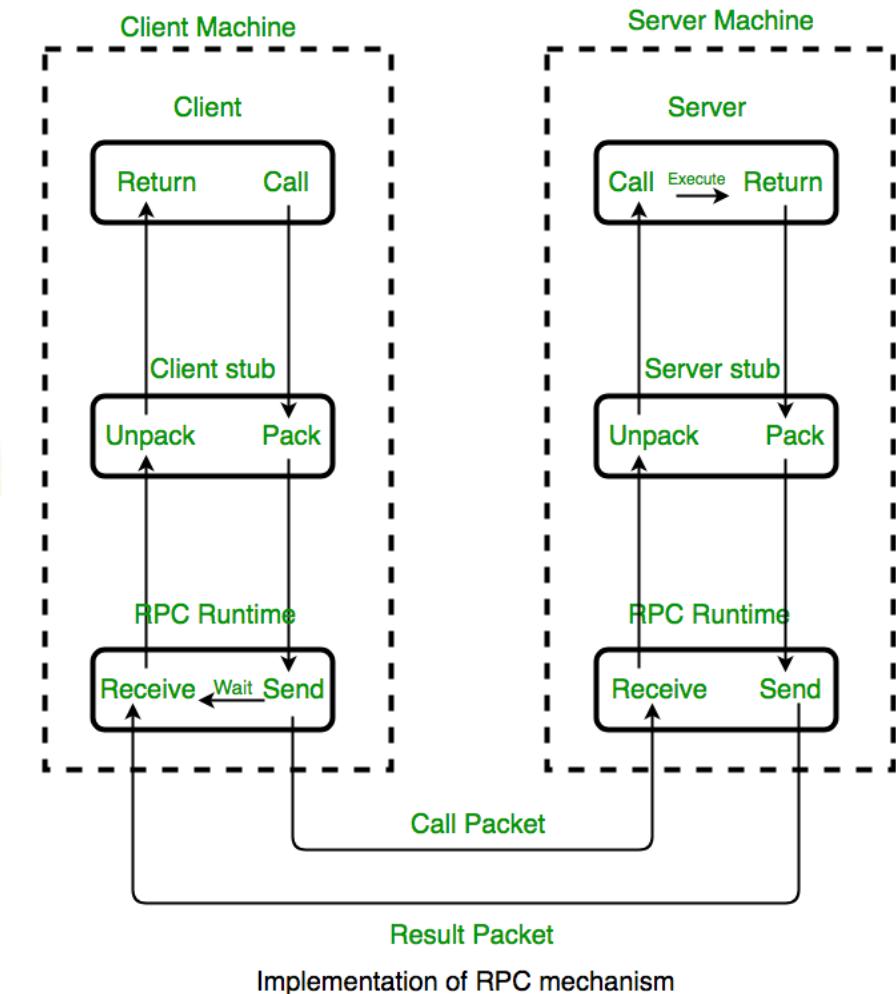
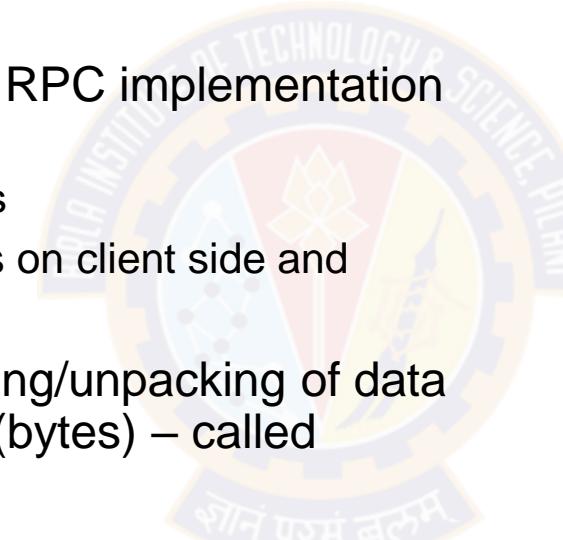
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# Remote Procedure Calls (RPC)

## Overview

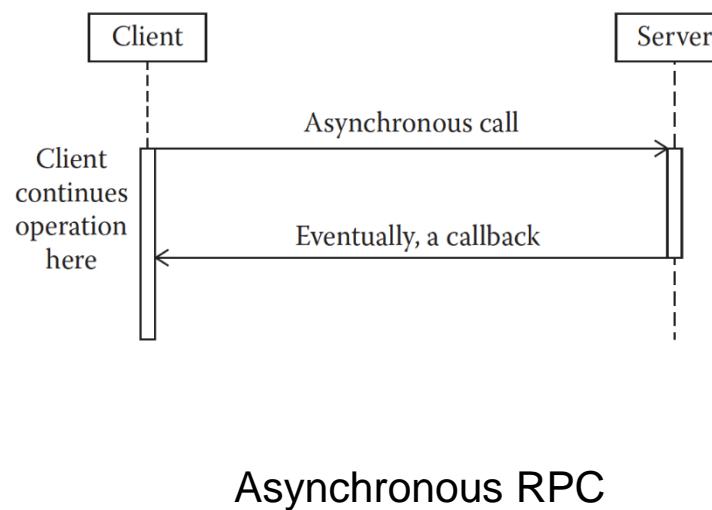
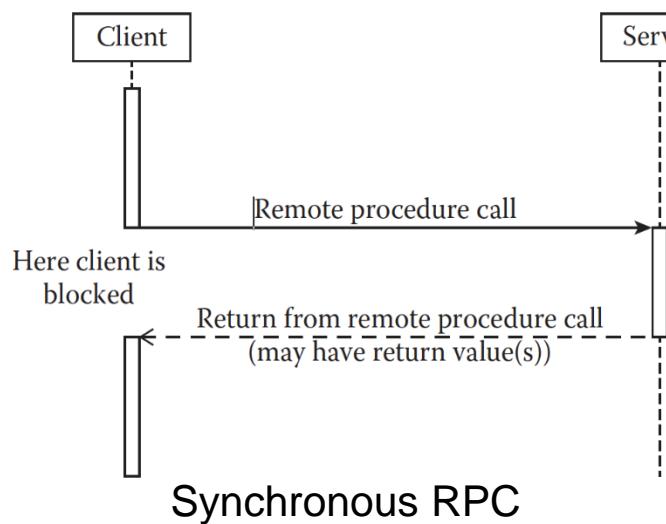
- RPC is a method call across the network, which is treated same as a local procedure call (location transparency)
- Open Network Computing (ONC) RPC implementation (early attempt of middleware)
  - RPC methods defined in “.x” files
  - *rpcgen* translates .x files to stubs on client side and skeleton files on server side
- Stubs and skeletons handle packing/unpacking of data from application to network layer (bytes) – called **Marshaling**
- Applications on either side (client and server) are designed as if they run on the same machine, leaving underlying network / transport specifics to **RPC runtime**



# Remote Procedure Calls (RPC)

## Synchronous Vs Asynchronous

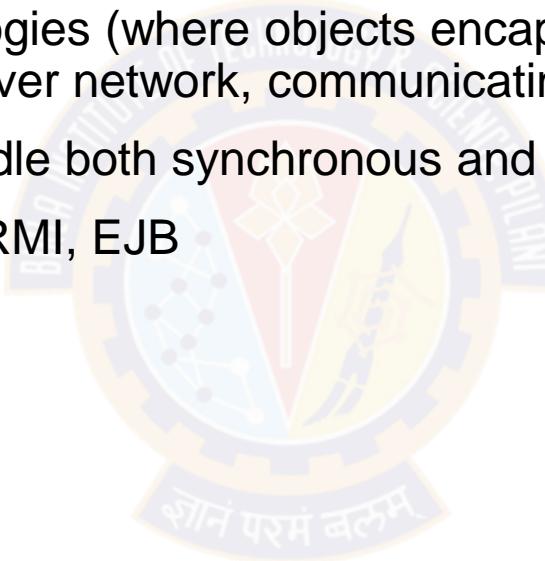
- Synchronous RPC **blocks** the client until server finishes the operation and returns response (or error)
- Asynchronous RPC allows client to continue its business while server processes RPC
  - Client may send return address (along with request) that server can use to **callback** to send response
  - Server may use a mediator (also called **broker**) to return response to the client when finished



# Distributed Object Oriented Components

## Overview

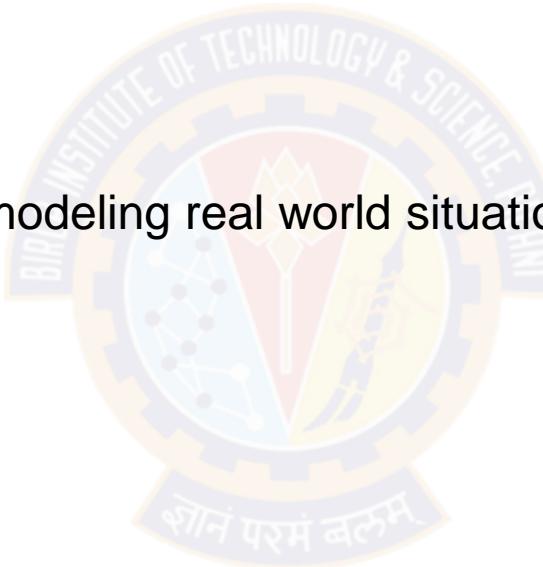
- Distributed component is a concurrent object with a well-defined interface, which is a logical unit of distribution and deployment
- Employs object oriented methodologies (where objects encapsulate data inside) to design a system, with components spread over network, communicating using middleware components
- Distributed Object middleware handle both synchronous and asynchronous communication
- Examples: CORBA, DCOM, Java RMI, EJB



# Distributed Object Oriented Components

## Component or Object Oriented Middleware ?

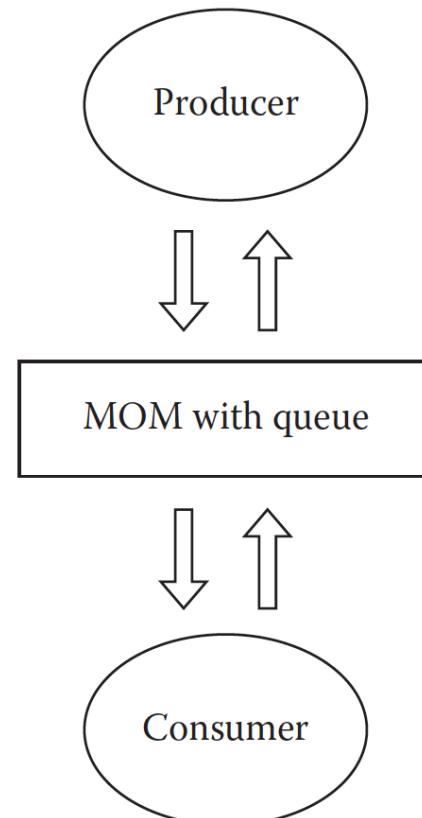
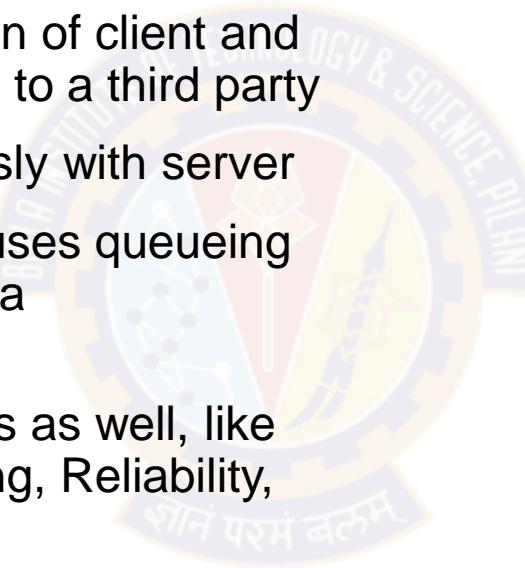
- Component based systems comprises of loosely coupled components (need not be object oriented), most of which could be existing components
  - CORBA
  - DCOM
  - EJB
- Object oriented systems focus on modeling real world situations, albeit using components at times
  - CORBA
  - DCOM



# Message Oriented Middleware (MOM)

## Overview

- Acts as a middleman (broker) between client and server for communication
- Brings in loose coupling in the design of client and server, by offloading communication to a third party
- Enables client to work asynchronously with server
- Generally (not necessarily always) uses queueing mechanism to deliver messages, in a publish/subscribe model
- MOM will handle auxiliary operations as well, like Quality of Service, Priority processing, Reliability, Recovery of lost messages etc.





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Object Oriented Middleware – CORBA Basics



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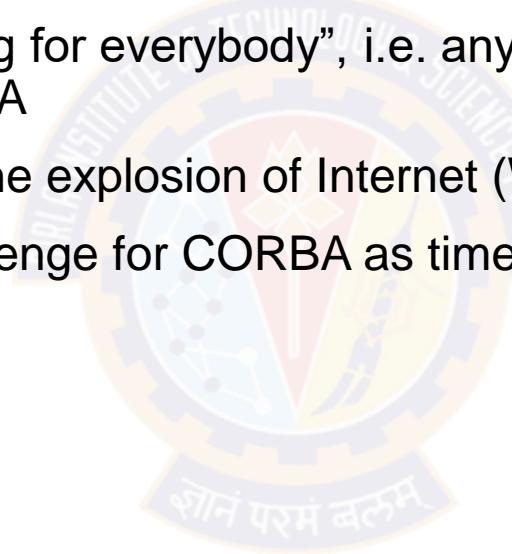
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# CORBA

## Evolution and History

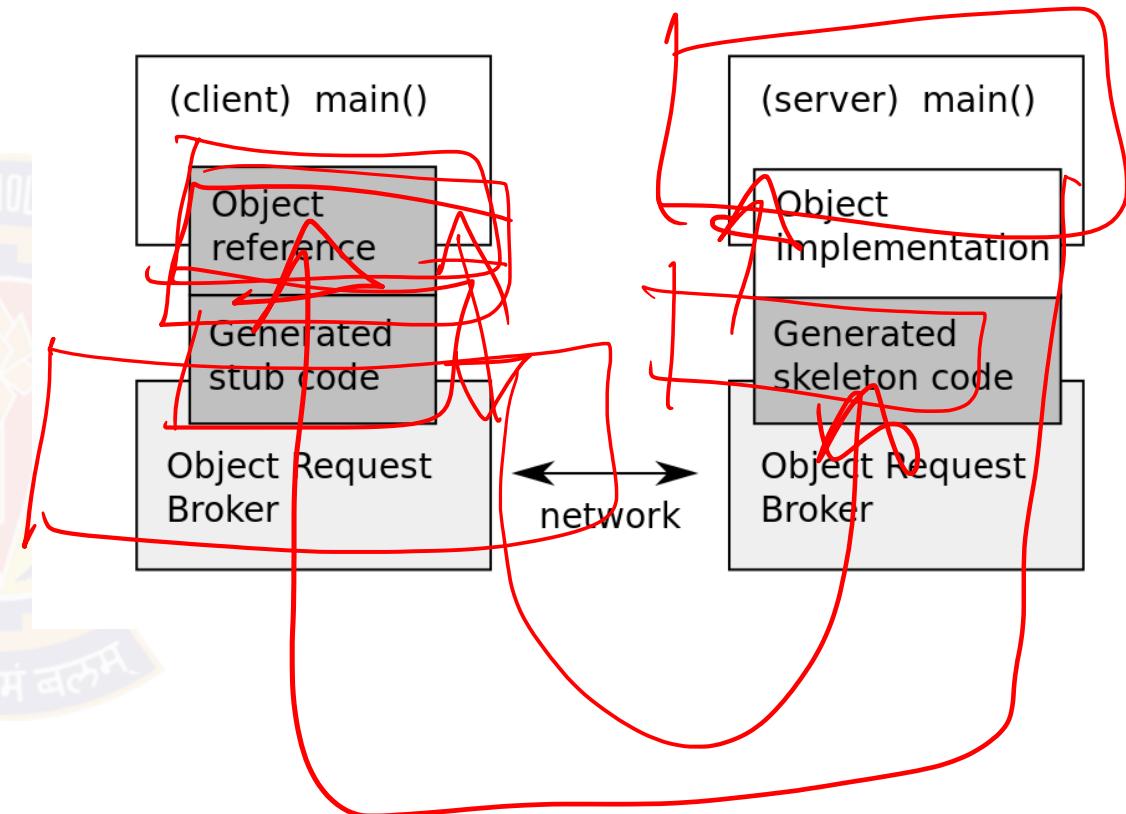
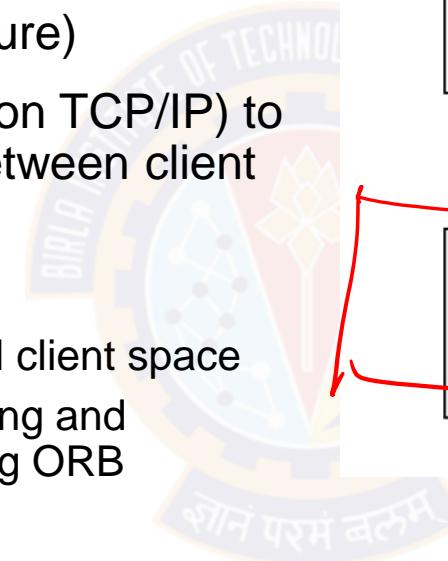
- Introduced in 1990s by Object Management Group (OMG)
- Popular initially and available even today in some installations
- Introduced the notion of “everything for everybody”, i.e. any language/platform talking to any other language/platform via CORBA
- Gradually declined in 2000s with the explosion of Internet (WWW) and advent of firewalls
- Hacking of ports was a major challenge for CORBA as time progressed



# CORBA

## Overview

- Primarily client-server oriented
- Can be seen as RPC on remotely located objects (due to distributed OO nature)
- Uses General Inter-Orb Protocol (on TCP/IP) to communicate and transfer data between client and server
- Client side proxy object
  - Represents remote object in local client space
  - Handles data serialization/encoding and communication with network using ORB

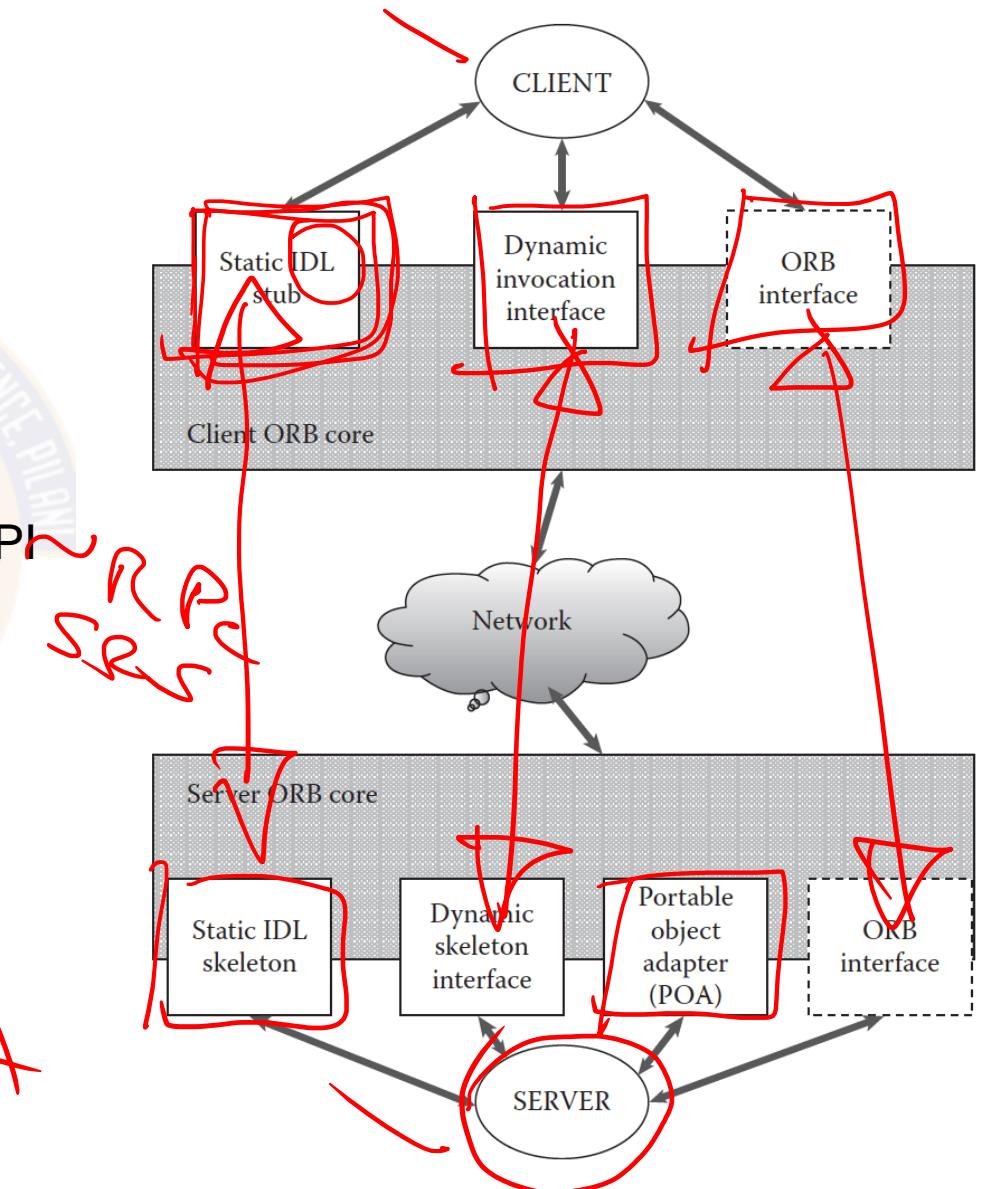


# CORBA

## Architecture

- CORBA supports static and dynamic interfaces using Interface Description language IDL
  - Static interface defined at compile time using IDL compiler
  - Dynamic interface that defines invocation at runtime
- IDL stub is client side implementation that calls CORBA library API for client operation
- IDL skeleton is on server side, that uses CORBA library API for server side operation
- POA (Portable Object Adapter) performs server-side functions, similar to EJB containers, Web servers etc.

Corba  
Before 1998 → BOA  
After 1998 → POA





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# Interface Description Language (IDL)

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## CORBA IDL

- IDL Overview
  - Parameters
  - Modules
  - Exceptions
  - Structs and Arrays
  - Sequences
  - Attributes
- IDL to Java bindings



# Interface Description Language (IDL)

## Overview

- Defines methods in a fashion similar to interfaces in Java
- Implementation is internal to the server (and transparent to client)
- Data types supported:
  - String
  - Integer
    - short – 16 bit (signed / unsigned)
    - long – 32 bit (signed / unsigned)
    - long long – 64 bit (signed / unsigned)
  - Octet – 8 bit (similar to byte)
- No keyword restrictions for naming (as IDL is language neutral), however there may be compiling issues depending on languages involved
- Enums – Order not guaranteed



```
interface echo {  
    string echostring (in string the_echostring);  
};
```

```
interface echo {  
    string echoshort (inout short the_echoshort);  
};
```

```
interface if {  
    while switch (in for the_data);  
}
```

```
enum Money {euro, dollar, pound, yen};
```

# Interface Description Language (IDL)

## Parameters, Modules and Exceptions

- Parameters
  - 'in' is input – from client to server
  - 'out' is output – from server to client
  - **'inout'** – same parameter sent from client is used for output (similar to pass by reference)
- Modules – Groups multiple interfaces together, with hierarchical naming (like Java packages)
  - **echomodule::echo**
- Exceptions
  - System Defined
    - COMM\_FAILURE
    - MARSHAL
    - BAD\_PARAM
    - OBJECT\_NOT\_EXIST
    - TRANSIENT
    - UNKNOWN
  - User defined

Pass by value  
Pass by ref

```
interface echo {  
    string echostring (inout string the_echostring);  
};
```

out short [a]

```
module echomodule {  
    interface echo {  
        string echostring (in string the_echostring);  
    };  
};
```

echo2

```
interface echo {  
    exception Bad_Message();  
    string echostring (in string the_echostring) raises (Bad_Message);  
};
```

# Interface Description Language (IDL)

## Structs, Arrays and Sequences as Params

- Structs as params
  - Can be used as in, out and inout

```
struct theData {  
    long firstvalue;  
    string secondvalue;  
};
```

```
typedef theData StructType;
```

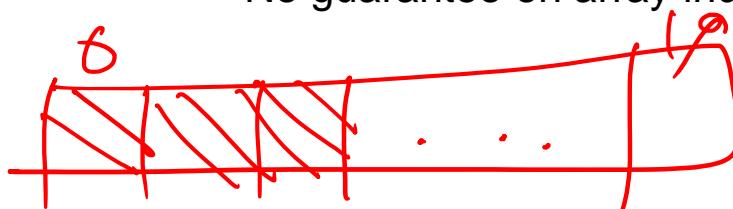
```
typedef short ArrayType[20];  
const short MAX=20;
```

```
interface sending_stuff {  
    string sendvalue (in StructType mystruct);  
};
```

```
interface sending_stuff {  
    StructType sendvalue (in string mystring);  
};
```

```
interface sending_stuff {  
    string sendvalue (in ArrayType myarray, in short size);  
};
```

```
typedef sequence<long> SequenceType;  
interface sending_stuff {  
    string sendvalue (in SequenceType mysequence);  
};
```



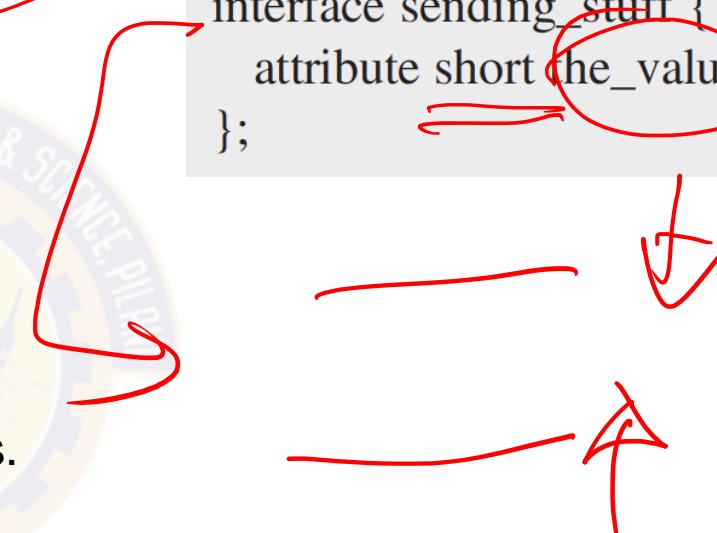
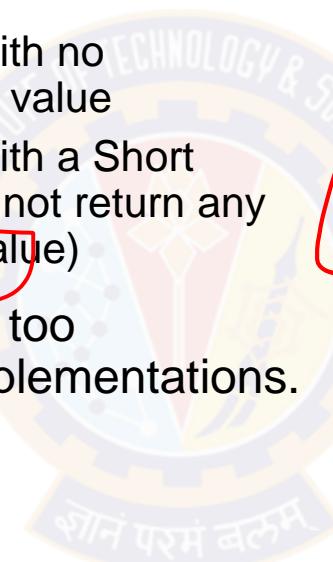
- Sequence as params
  - Sends only the data present in the sequence at the time of method call

# Interface Description Language (IDL)

## Attributes

- Attribute gets/sets a particular variable on the servant
- Example:
  - A remote procedure named the\_value with no parameters passed, that returns a Short value
  - A remote procedure named the\_value with a Short value passed as a parameter, that does not return any values (has a void value as the return value)
- Not recommended to use as behavior is too dependent on network and language implementations.

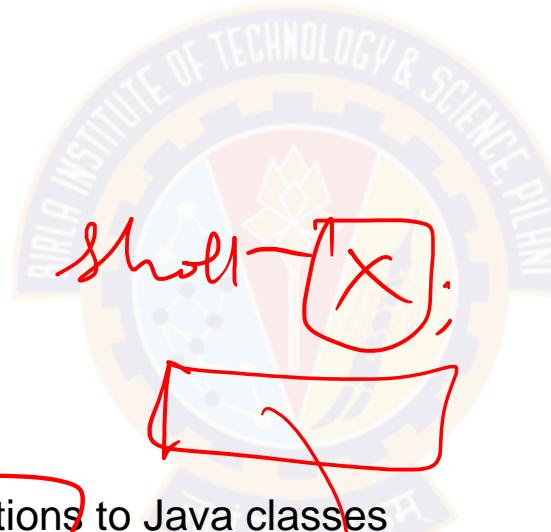
```
interface sending_stuff {  
    attribute short the_value;  
};
```



# Interface Description Language (IDL)

## CORBA IDL to Java bindings

- Module in IDL maps to package in Java
- CORBA IDL types map to most Java types
  - boolean to Boolean
  - octet to Byte
  - short to short
  - long to int
  - long long to long
  - string to string
  - sequences and arrays to arrays
  - float to float
  - double to double
  - enums, structs, unions and exceptions to Java classes
- For user defined types in IDL, Java generates:
  - Helper class – manages read/write to CORBA I/O streams
  - Holder class – Implements out/inout parameters as a wrapper class, to hold their value (by reference) and pass it to Helper class streams



short → X.

# Interface Description Language (IDL)

## Example code – in

- IDL definition

```
typedef short ArrayType[20];
const short MAX=20;

interface sending_stuff
{
    string sendvalue (in ArrayType myarray, in short size);
};
```

- Java code (servant)

```
public class myreceiver extends sending_stuffPOA
{
    public String sendvalue (short[] myarray, short size)
    {
        int the_real_size;
        the_real_size=size;
        if (the_real_size > MAX.value)
            the_real_size=MAX.value;
        for(int i=0;i<the_real_size;i++)
        {
            System.out.println("myarray["+i+"] is "+myarray[i]);
        }
        String mymsg="got here";
        return mymsg;
    }
}
```

```
public interface MAX
{
    public static final short value = (short)(20);
}
```

No memory management involved!

# Interface Description Language (IDL)

## Example code – inout

- IDL definition

```
//  
typedef long ArrayType[20];  
const long MAX=20;  
  
interface sending_stuff {  
    string sendvalue (inout ArrayType myarray, in long size);  
};
```

- Java code (servant)

```
public class myreceiver extends sending_stuffPOA  
{  
    public String sendvalue (ArrayTypeHolder myarray, int size)  
    {  
        int the_real_size;  
        the_real_size=size;  
        if (the_real_size > MAX.value)  
            the_real_size=MAX.value;  
        for(int i=0;i<the_real_size;i++)  
        {  
            System.out.println("Original value of myarray["+i+"] is "+myarray.value[i]);  
            myarray.value[i]=myarray.value[i]*10; // Multiply each myarray value times 10  
            System.out.println("Value to pass back to client of myarray["+i+"] is "+myarray.value[i]);  
        }  
        String mymsg="Hello there from servant to client";  
        return mymsg;  
    }  
}
```

Annotations:

- Handwritten label "myarray [i]" above the line "myarray.value[i]".
- Handwritten label "myarray.value [i]" below the line "myarray.value[i]".



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CORBA Addressing



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# Introduction to Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)

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## Introduction to Enterprise Application Integration

- EAI – Overview
- Message Channels
  - Point to Point messaging
  - Publish-subscribe model



# Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)

## Introduction

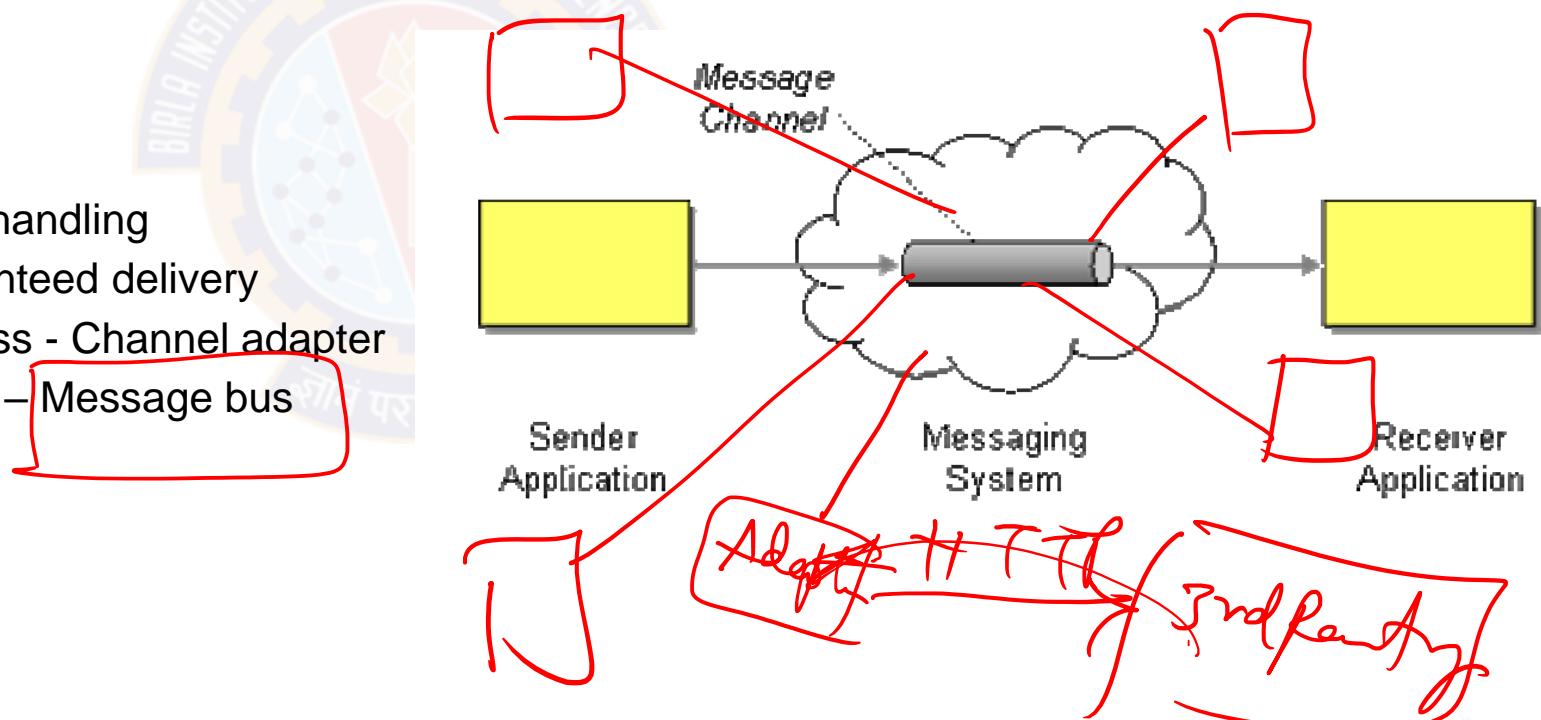
- An integration framework composed of a collection of technologies and services which form a middleware or "middleware framework" to enable integration of systems and applications across an enterprise
- "*unrestricted sharing of data and business processes among any connected application or data sources in the enterprise*" - Gartner
- Application of EAI
  - Data integration
  - Vendor/3<sup>rd</sup> party independence
  - Common façade
- Patterns
  - Mediation
  - Federation



# Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)

## Message Channels - Overview

- Message Channel works as a logical addressing system in Messaging
- Messaging Channel acts as a medium of communication between two specific applications in a complex enterprise, where in the sender application selects which particular "channel" of the messaging system to use, that designates the target application/ group of applications.
- Design challenges
  - One to one or one to many
  - Data type channel
  - Invalid and dead message handling
  - Crash proof design / Guaranteed delivery
  - Non-messaging client access - Channel adapter
  - Communications backbone – **Message bus**



# Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)

## Message Channels – Example (JMS)

- Configuring Message channels (Queues and Topics)

```
j2eeadmin -addJmsDestination jms/mytopic topic  
j2eeadmin -addJmsDestination jms/myqueue queue
```

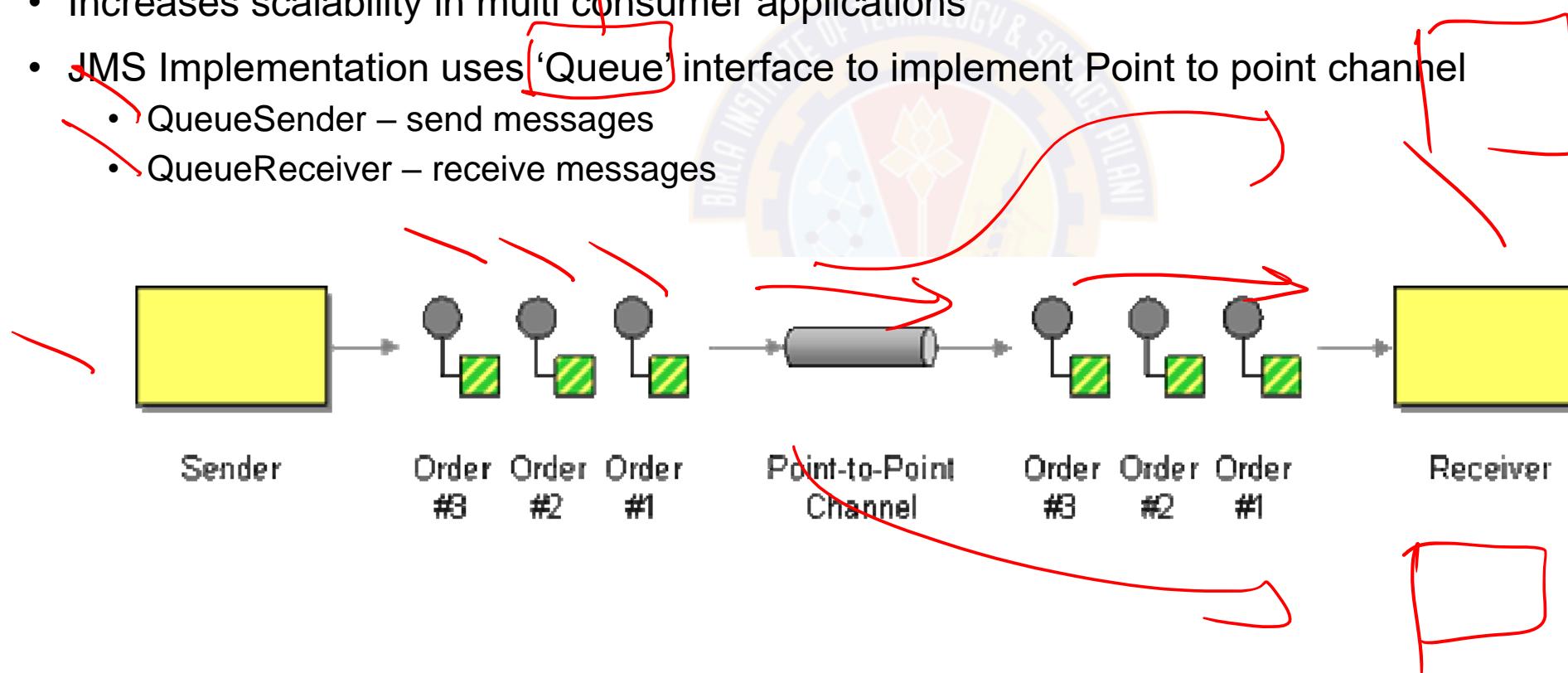
- Accessing Message channels

```
Context jndiContext = new InitialContext();  
Queue myQueue = (Queue) jndiContext.lookup("jms/myqueue");  
Topic myTopic = (Topic) jndiContext.lookup("jms/mytopic");
```

# Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)

## Point to point channel

- Point-to-Point Channel ensures that only one receiver consumes any given message, irrespective of number of receivers in that channel
- Increases scalability in multi consumer applications
- JMS Implementation uses ‘Queue’ interface to implement Point to point channel
  - QueueSender – send messages
  - QueueReceiver – receive messages



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## Point to point channel – Example (JMS)

- Sending message

```
1 Queue queue = // obtain the queue via JNDI
  QueueConnectionFactory factory = // obtain the connection factory via JNDI
  QueueConnection connection = factory.createQueueConnection();
  QueueSession session = connection.createQueueSession(true, Session.AUTO_ACKNOWLEDGE);
  QueueSender sender = session.createSender(queue);
  Message message = session.createTextMessage("The contents of the message.");
  sender.send(message);
```

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## Point to point channel – Example (JMS)

- Receiving message

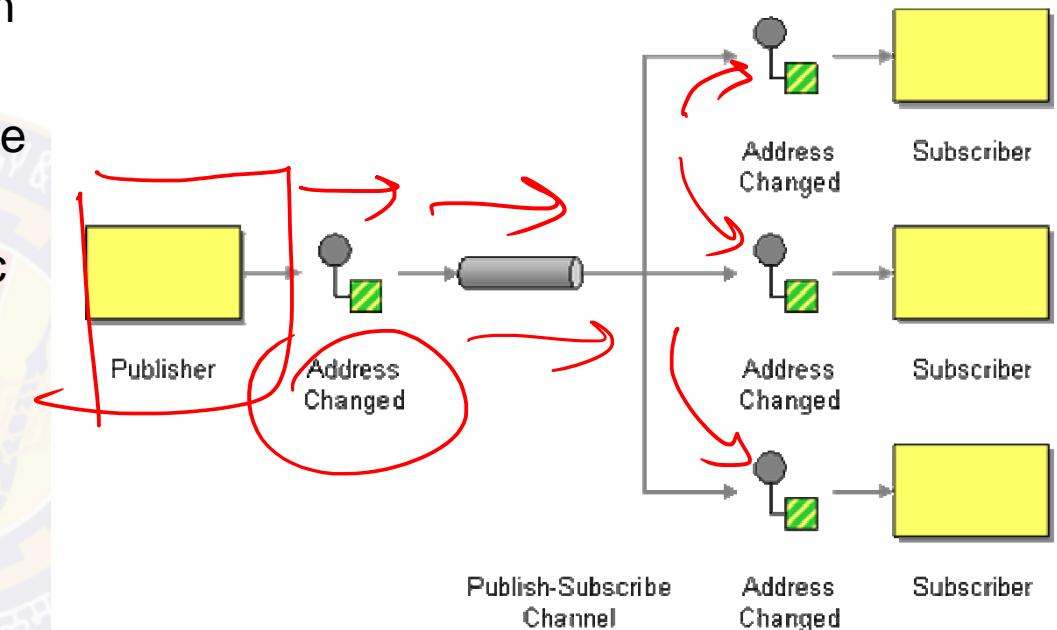
```
// Queue queue = // obtain the queue via JNDI
QueueConnectionFactory factory = // obtain the connection factory via JNDI
QueueConnection connection = factory.createQueueConnection();
QueueSession session = connection.createQueueSession(true, Session.AUTO_ACKNOWLEDGE);
QueueReceiver receiver = session.createReceiver(queue);
TextMessage message = (TextMessage) receiver.receive();
String contents = message.getText();
```

The code demonstrates how to receive a message from a queue using the Java Message Service (JMS). It starts by obtaining a queue via JNDI, then creates a connection factory and a connection. It then creates a session and a receiver. Finally, it receives a text message and retrieves its contents.

# Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)

## Publish - subscribe channel

- Used for broadcasting messages to each recipient in the channel
- Ensures that each recipient gets only one copy of the message
- Helps in debugging channel without disturbing traffic
- JMS Implementation uses 'Topic' interface to implement Point to point channel
  - TopicPublisher – send messages
  - TopicSubscriber – receive messages



# Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)

## Publish - subscribe channel – Example (JMS)

- Sending message

```
Topic topic = // obtain the topic via JNDI
TopicConnectionFactory factory = // obtain the connection factory via JNDI
TopicConnection connection = factory.createTopicConnection();
TopicSession session = connection.createTopicSession(true, Session.AUTO_ACKNOWLEDGE);
TopicPublisher publisher = session.createPublisher(topic);

Message message = session.createTextMessage("The contents of the message.");
publisher.publish(message);
```

# Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)

## Publish - subscribe channel – Example (JMS)

- Receiving message

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TopicConnection connection = factory.createTopicConnection();
TopicSession session = connection.createTopicSession(true, Session.AUTO_ACKNOWLEDGE);
TopicSubscriber subscriber = session.createSubscriber(topic);

TextMessage message = (TextMessage) subscriber.receive();
String contents = message.getText();
```



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Middleware Security



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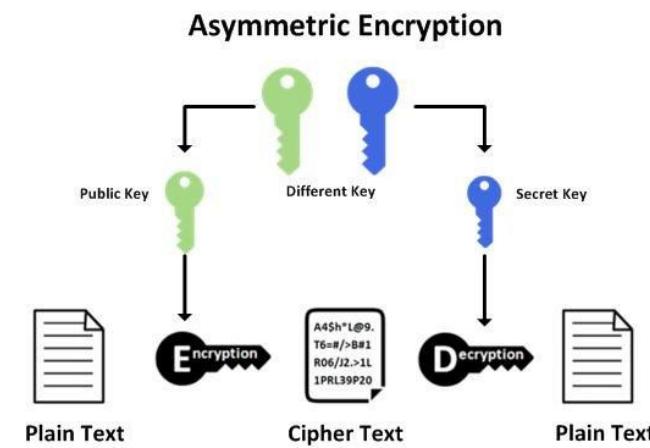
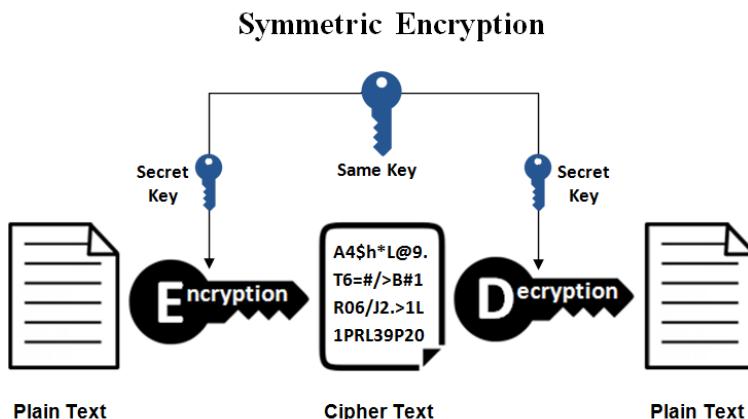
- Symmetric and Asymmetric keys
- Digital Signatures
- Message Authentication Codes
- Secure Socket Layer / Transport Layer Security



# Middleware Security

## Symmetric Cryptography and Asymmetric/Public Keys

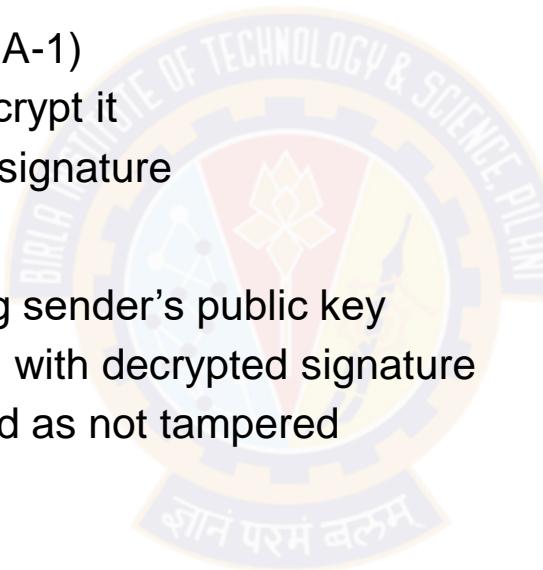
- Symmetric key cryptography - uses the same key to encrypt the text and to decrypt the text
  - Both the parties need to know the key (offline sync of the keys)
- Asymmetric/Public key cryptography - uses two mathematically related keys
  - Public key
  - Private key
  - Message encrypted using either of the keys can be decrypted with the other
  - Often used to establish secure connection between two entities, to negotiate Symmetric key



# Middleware Security

## Digital Signatures

- Validates the authenticity and integrity of the digital message using asymmetric keys
- Sender side:
  - Digital message is hashed (ex: SHA-1)
  - Sender's private key is used to encrypt it
  - Message is sent along with digital signature
- Recipient side:
  - Digital signature is decrypted using sender's public key
  - Message is hashed and compared with decrypted signature
  - If they match, message is accepted as not tampered



# Middleware Security

## Message Authentication Codes

- Function same as digital signature, but by using symmetric keys
- Sender and receiver share same encryption key and use it for encrypting/decrypting the hash
- Caveat – A receiver can use the MAC to pretend to be the original sender to a third party
  - Workaround - Hash based MAC (HMAC) – uses hashing with secret key

HMAC (key, message) =

hash (

(secret key XOR outer-padding) concatenated with  
hash(

(secret key XOR inner padding) concatenated with message

)

where

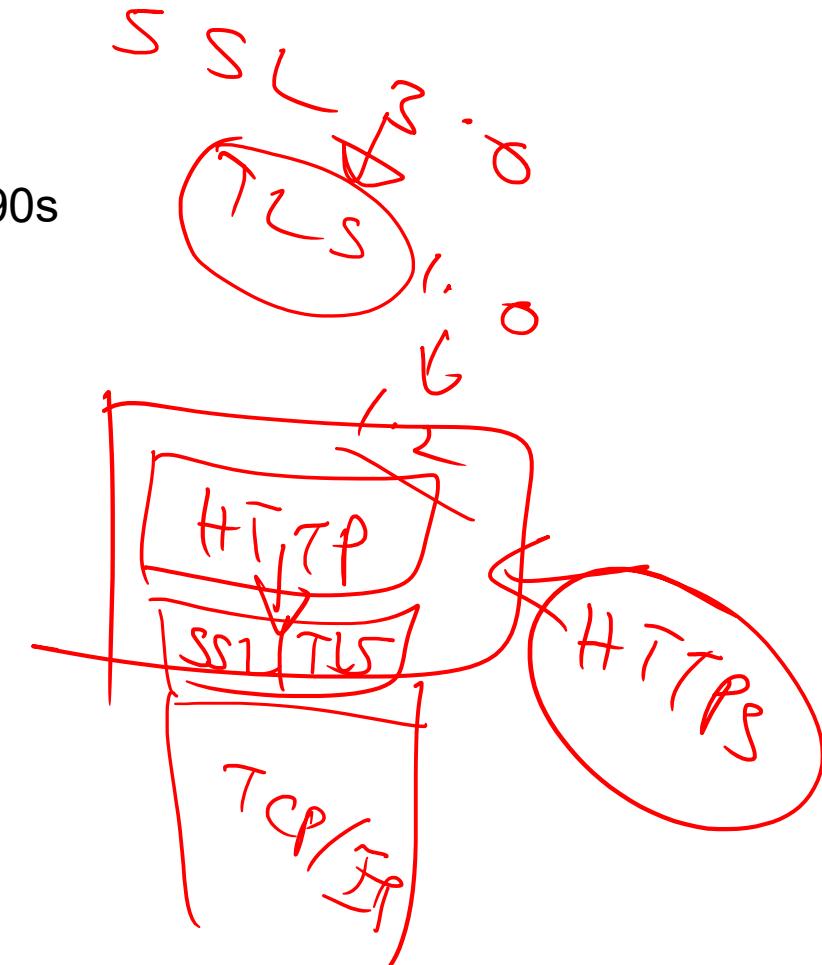
outer padding = 0x5c0x5c...0x5c (block long hex constant)

Inner padding = 0x360x36...0x36 (block long hex constant)

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## Secure Socket Layer and Transport Layer Security

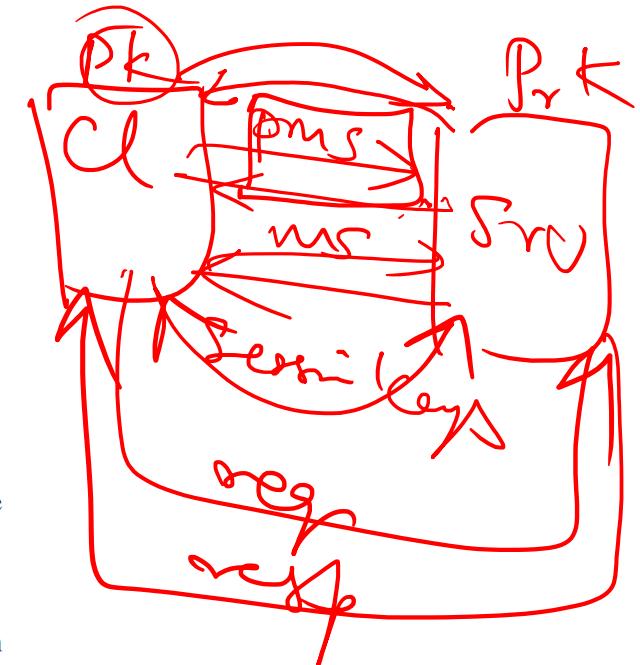
- SSL Evolved in 1990s as security mechanism for HTTP (i.e. HTTPS)
- Transport Layer Security (TLS) evolved as follow-on for SSL in late '90s
- SSL/TLS run on TCP/IP, above HTTP – making it HTTPS
- SSL 2.0 Major Limitations (RFC 6175)
  - MD5 is no longer considered secure
  - Subject to man-in-the-middle attacks and forced session terminations
  - Same key used for message integrity and encryption
- TLS Sub protocols (RFC 5246)
  - Record protocol – Encrypts message using MAC
  - Handshake protocol – Agrees on the algorithm to use in the session
  - Alert protocol – Error handling
  - Cipher spec protocol – Changes cipher strategies/signals
  - Application data protocol – Provides data transparency to applications



# Middleware Security

## TLS Handshake Protocol flow

- 1 • Hello message from client to server, hello response from server to client:
  - Used to negotiate:
    - TSL or SSL version to be used,
    - Session ID,
    - Cipher Suite
  - Cipher suites are combination of cryptographic algorithms for:
    - Key exchange (Diffie-Hellman, RSA, etc.)
    - Cipher (AES, etc.)
    - MAC (SHA256, etc.)
  - Compression Method *(optional)*
- 2 • As part of the Hello exchange, the server sends a certificate to the client, this includes the server's public key (for example, RSA)
- 3 • The Client then does the following:
  - Generates a premaster secret—see Information Security Stack Exchange (2014b):
    - This 48-byte premaster secret is generated by concatenating protocol versions with some randomly generated bytes.
    - The client then encrypts the 48-byte premaster secret with the server's RSA public key (from the certificate).
  - Sends it to the server
- 4 • The Server decrypts the premaster secret using its private key.
- 5 • Both client and server generate a master secret using the premaster secret, then immediately delete the premaster secret.
- 6 • The client and the server use the master secret to generate the session keys—these are symmetric keys used to encrypt and decrypt data transferred during the session (AES, for example).
- 7 • The client can now send the server a message that is encrypted with the session key and authenticated with the MAC (for example, HMAC with SHA256).
- 8 • The server determines that the MAC was authentic, and similarly sends back an encrypted message with a MAC that the client also determines is authentic.





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JMS Server setup and configuration



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# Integration Styles

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- Introduction - Application Integration Criteria
- Application Integration Options
  - File Transfer
  - Shared Database
  - Remote Procedure Invocation
  - Messaging



# Integration Styles

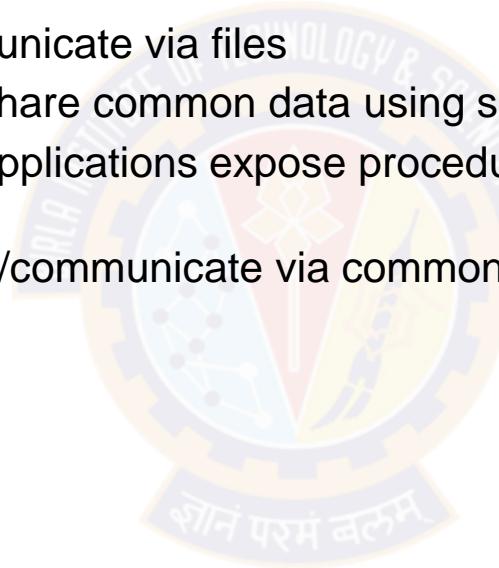
## Introduction – Application Integration Criteria

- Enterprise integration is the task of making (possibly heterogenous) applications work together to produce a unified set of functionality.
- Integration Criteria
  - Application integration –need to reuse, interact and integrate other applications
  - Application coupling – Minimum dependency /
  - Integration simplicity – Minimize customization needed to integrate applications
  - Integration technology – Reduce the need for specialized hardware/software for integration
  - Data format – Agreement on data format / translation
  - Data timeliness – Reduce staleness of data due to integration nuances
  - Data or functionality – Ability to share both data and functionality
  - Asynchronicity – Ability to proceed without being blocked for complex batch transactions

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## Application Integration Options

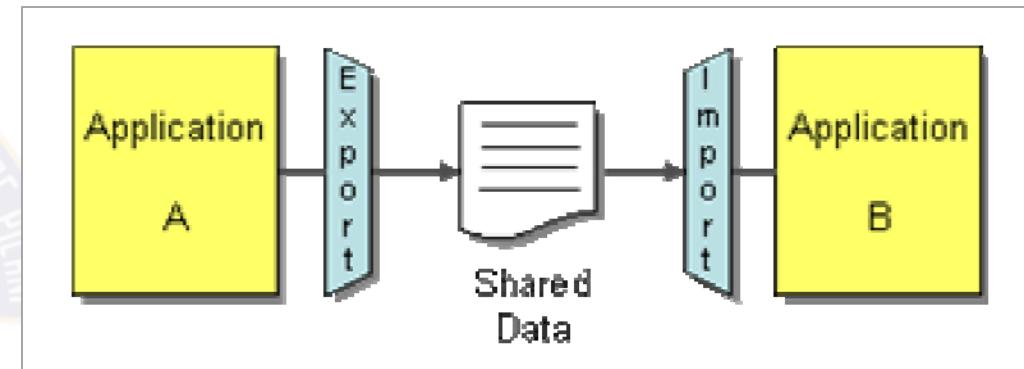
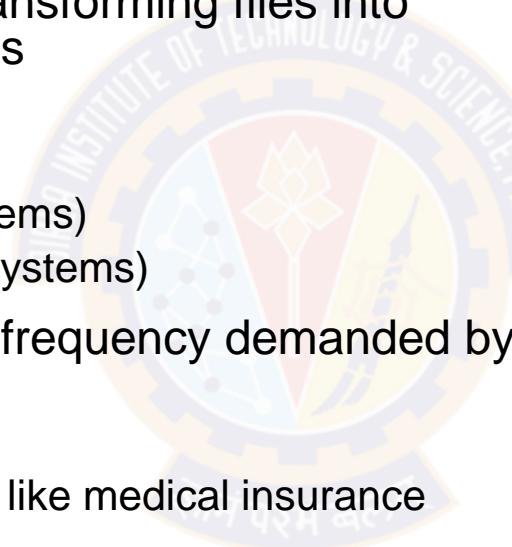
- No one fit for all methodology – option chosen depends on context
- Major integration options:
  - File Transfer – applications communicate via files
  - Shared Database – applications share common data using shared database
  - Remote Procedure Invocation – Applications expose procedures to be invoked by integrating applications
  - Messaging – applications connect/communicate via common messaging system



# Integration Styles

## File Transfer

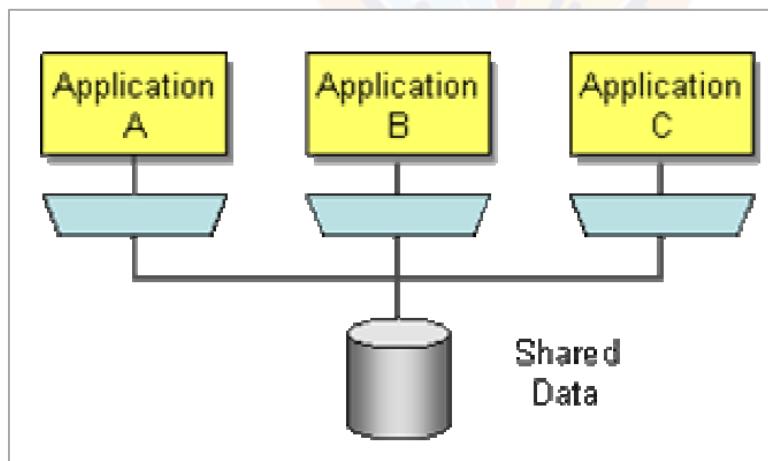
- Each application produces files with data that it needs to share with others
- Integrators (middleware) handle transforming files into various formats and access aspects
  - Legacy file formats (Mainframe)
  - Text format (Unix variants)
  - CSV format (Windows based systems)
  - XML/JSON formats (Web based systems)
- Files are produced/consumed at a frequency demanded by business
  - Hourly, Nightly, Weekly etc.
  - Ex: Batch processing applications like medical insurance claims (nightly)
- Less work on integration side, more work for application developers
- Staleness of data, in the generation of real time processing



# Integration Styles

## Shared Database

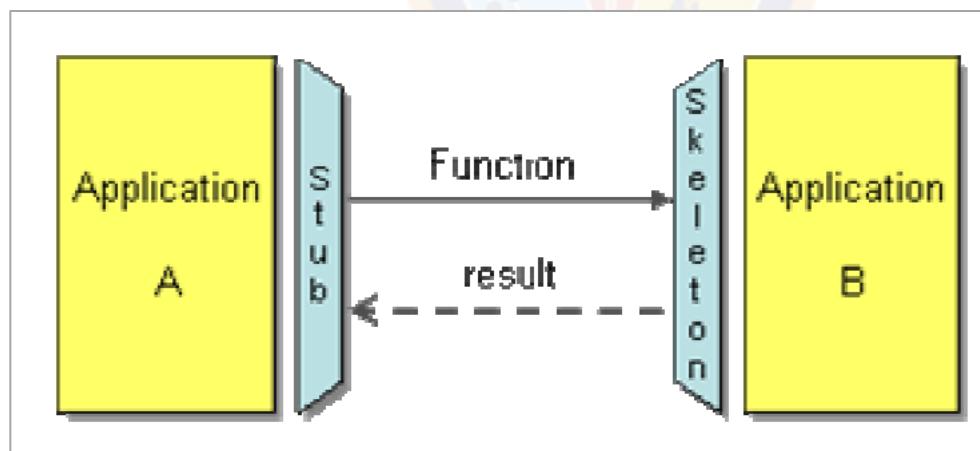
- Integrate applications by having them store their data in a single Shared Database
- Consistency in data format and ease of access
- Challenges
  - Deciding on a unified schema that fits all applications' needs
  - External packages that do not conform to enterprise schema
  - Performance bottlenecks on database
    - Distributed database locking / deadlock issues



# Integration Styles

## Remote Procedure Invocation

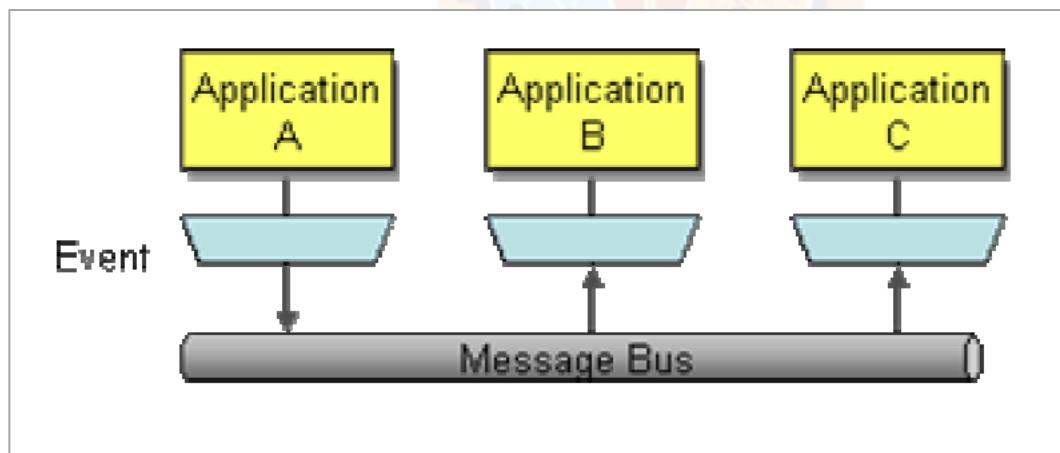
- Applies the principle of encapsulation to integrating applications
- Applications provide interface for the methods/data they want to expose to other applications to integrate with
- Each application maintains its own encapsulation/integrity of data
- Promotes certain degree of (tight) coupling between applications
- Examples: CORBA, COM, .NET Remoting etc.



# Integration Styles

## Messaging

- Transfers packets of data frequently, immediately, reliably, and asynchronously, using customizable formats
- Supports asynchronous communication seamlessly
- Allows loose coupling of applications
- Supports behavioral collaboration of applications with event based communication





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Messaging Systems



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# Messaging Systems

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## Messaging Systems

- Basic Concepts
- Message Channel
- Message
- Pipes and Filters
- Message Router
- Message Translator
- Message Endpoint



# Messaging Systems

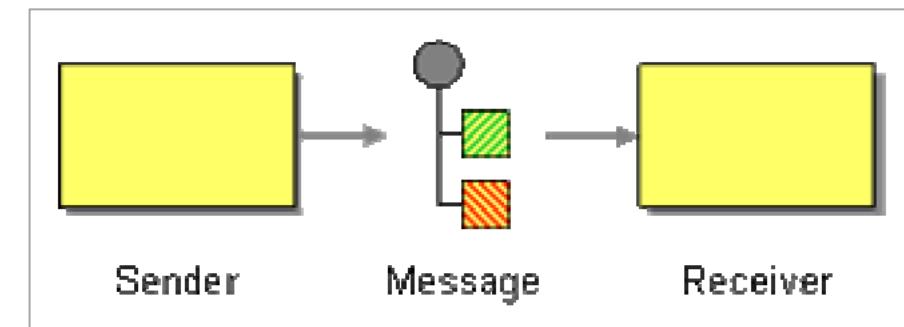
## Basic Concepts

- Channel – A virtual pipe that connects sender and receiver
- Message – Atomic packet of data transmitted through a channel
- Multi-step Delivery – Architecture that's used to send data across the remote network
- Routing - Process of navigating the channel topology to get the message from sender to receiver
- Transformation – Process of adapting data to a format accepted over the network in question
- Endpoint – A logical port on the channel/system where the message is directed to, to reach with the destination/receiver application

# Messaging Systems

## Message

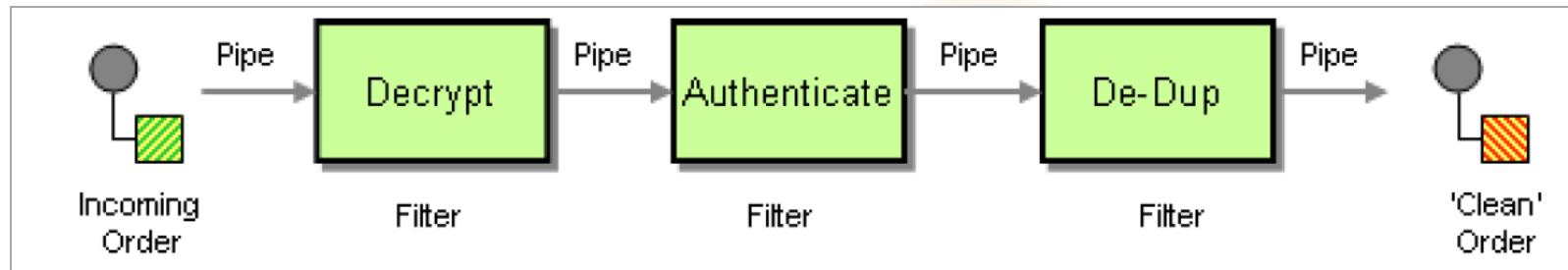
- Unit of data that's transmitted between sender/receiver
- Consists of:
  - Header - Information used by the messaging system that describes the data being transmitted
  - Body - The actual data being transmitted
- Message sequence – Used if the data can not be fit into a single message
- Types of messages – Command, Data, Event etc.
- Formats: JMS Message, SOAP Message, .NET Message etc.
- JMS Message – Represented by type “Message”
  - TextMessage
  - ByteMessage
  - ObjectMessage
  - StreamMessage
  - MapMessage



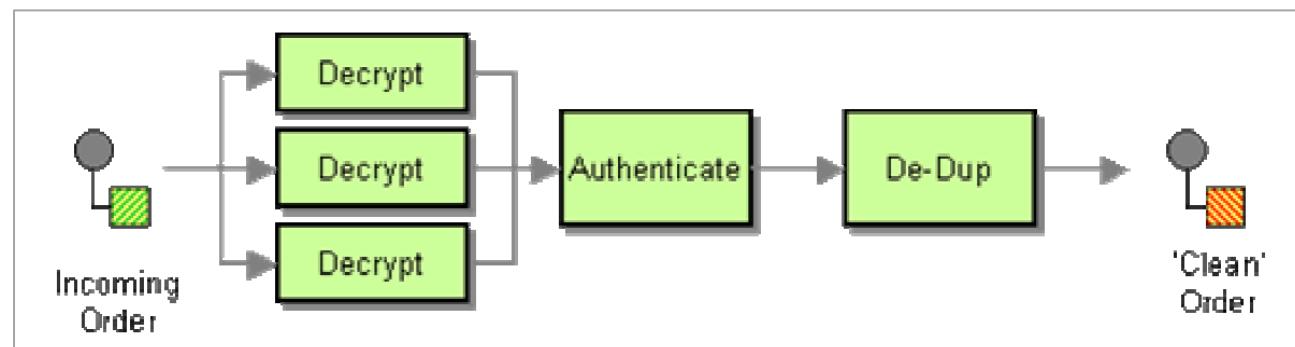
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## Pipes and Filters

- Used to divide a larger processing task into a sequence of smaller, independent processing steps (Filters) that are connected by channels (Pipes)



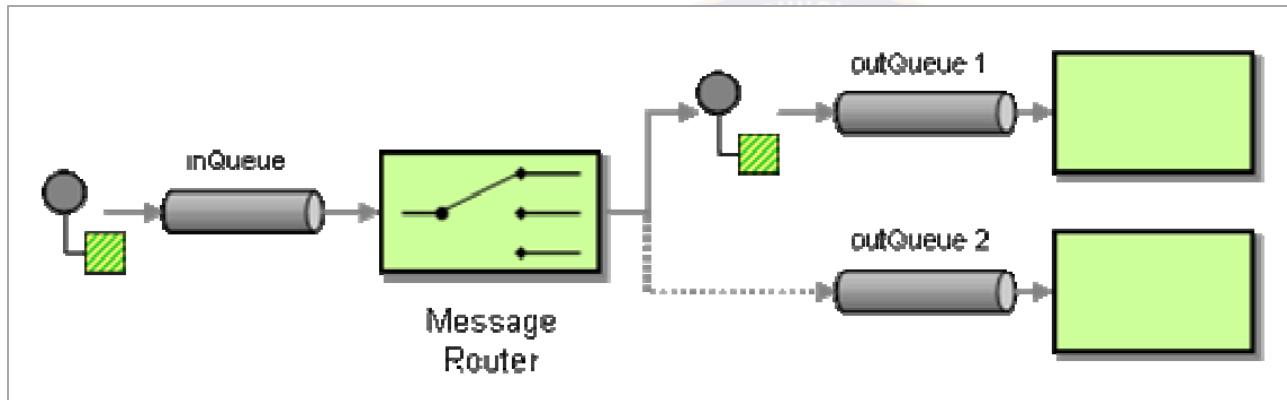
- Pipe uses Message Channel or in-memory queue as implementation
- Allows pipeline processing to cater to volume and speed
- Parallel processing of messages at a particular layer can be performed using multiple parallel filters at the bottleneck



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## Message Router

- Message Router is a special filter which consumes a Message from one Channel and republishes it to a different channel depending on a set of conditions

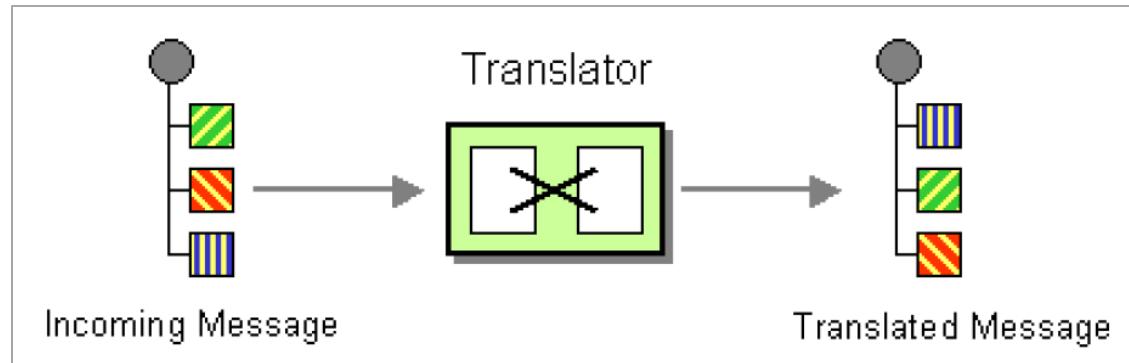


- Represents single place to maintain decision logic for message routing
- Can act as a load balancer as well
- Types
  - Content based Router
  - Context based Router

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## Message Translator

- Message Translator, is a special filter between other filters or applications to translate one data format into another

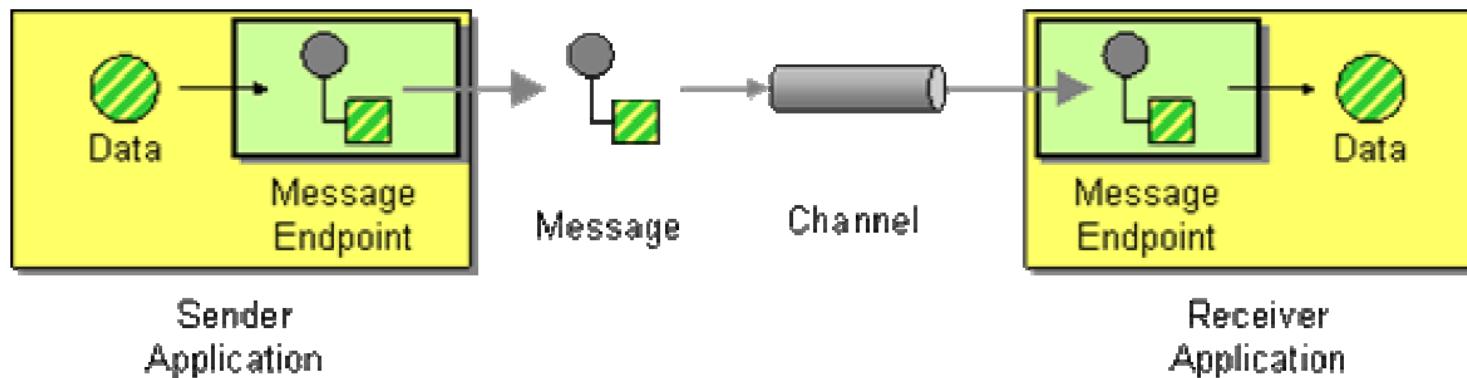


- Equivalent to “adapter” pattern of GoF patterns
- Decouples from data format dependency
- Message Translation Levels:
  - Data structures
  - Data types
  - Data representation
  - Transport

# Messaging Systems

## Message Endpoint

- Message Endpoint is a client of the messaging system that can be used to connect application to the message channel, to send messages



- Message Endpoint code is custom to both the application and the messaging system's client API
- Encapsulates the messaging system from the rest of the application, and customizes a general messaging API for a specific application and task
- One instance of Endpoint can be used to either send or receive messages, not both
- JMS Implementation – MessageProducer, MessageConsumer



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Message Channels



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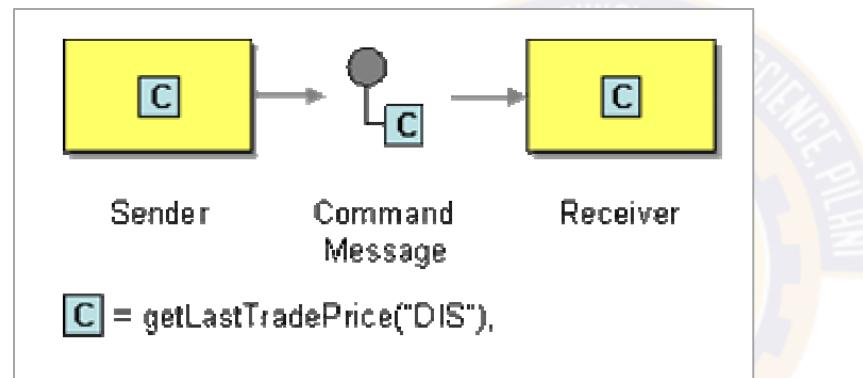
- Command Message
- Document Message
- Event Message
- Request-Reply
- Return Address
- Correlation Identifier
- Message Sequence
- Message Expiration
- Format Indicator



# Message Construction

## Command Message

- Command Message is used to invoke a procedure in another application, reliably.
- Asynchronous invocation of procedures, as opposed to RPC

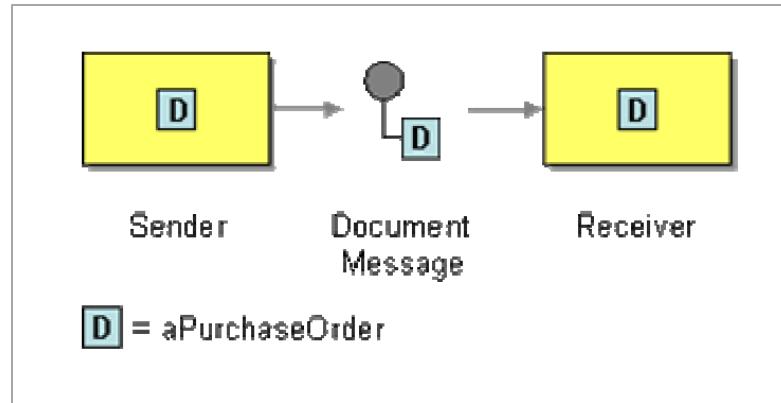


- Message contains command for the other application, there's no other specific indication on message
- Usually sent on point-to-Point channel
- Ex: SOAP messages

# Message Construction

## Document Message

- Document Message is used to reliably transfer a data structure between applications

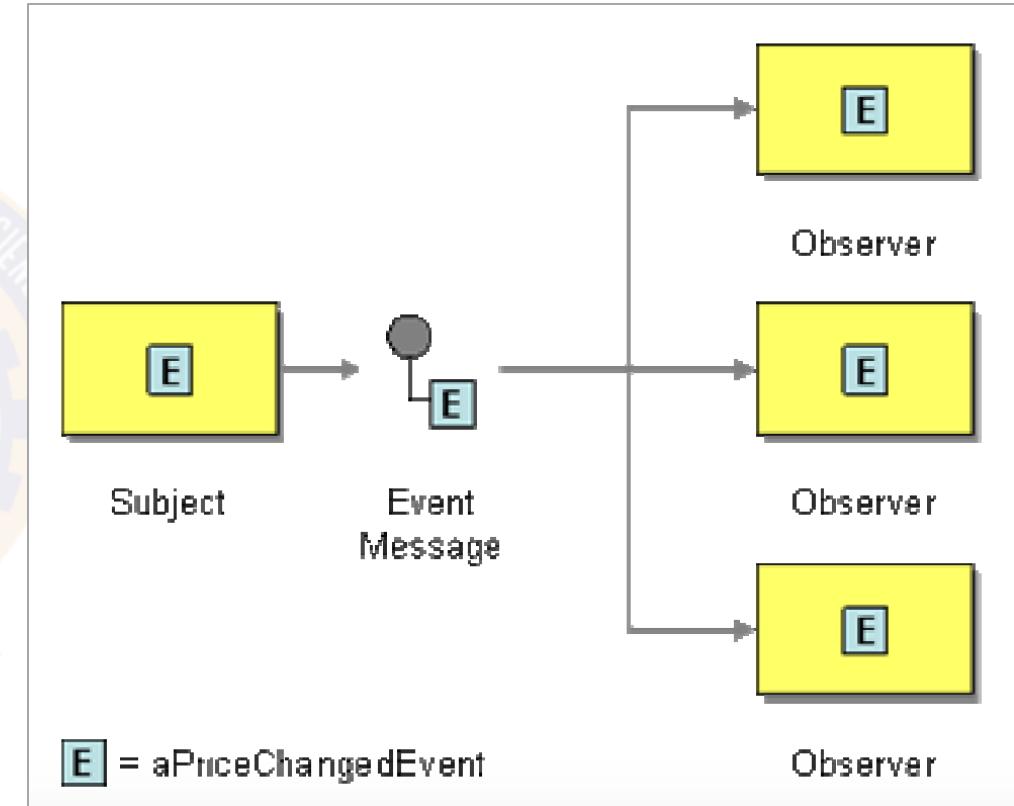
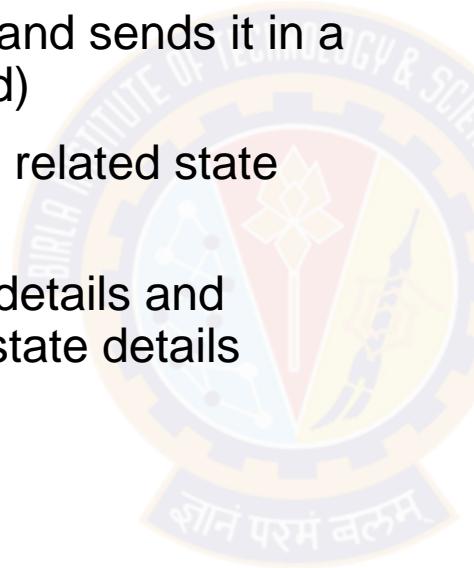


- Can contain any kind of message in the system, except that it represents a data object
- Usually sent on a point-to-point channel
- Ex: XML documents sent across the network

# Message Construction

## Event Message

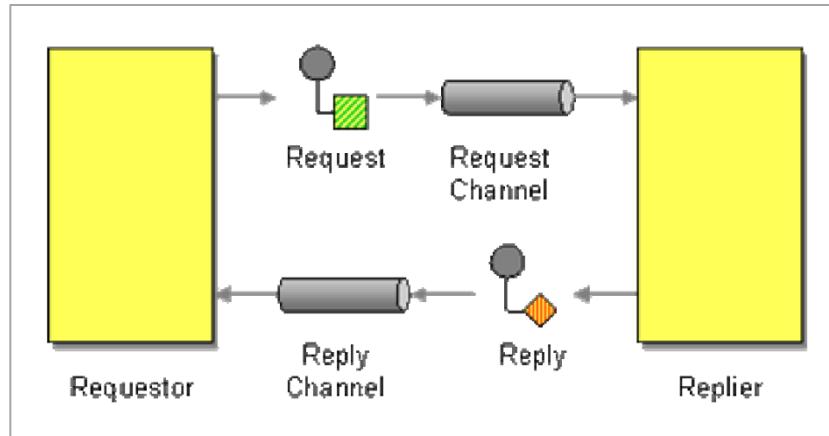
- Document Message is used to reliably send event notifications between application
- Sender will create an event object and sends it in a message (no special indicator used)
- Push model – sends event and the related state change info
- Pull model – sends only the event details and optionally additional info to obtain state details
  - Update
  - State Request
  - State Reply



# Message Construction

## Request-Reply

- Facilitates two way communication between sender/receiver using two-way channel

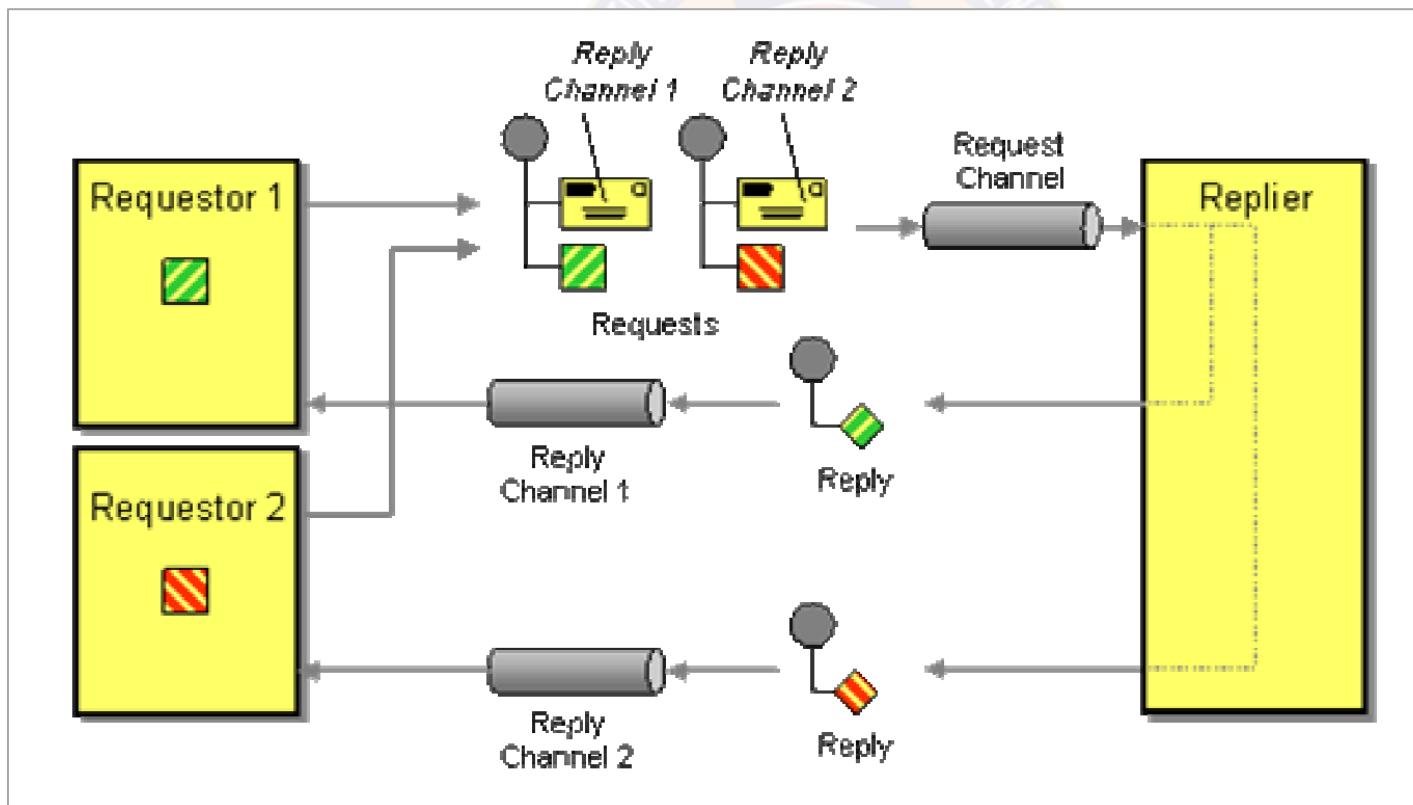


- Requestor – sends request message and waits for reply
- Replier – receives request message and sends the reply
- Request channel could be point-to-point or publish-subscribe
- Reply channel is almost always point-to-point
- Reply can be:
  - Synchronous (blocking)
  - Asynchronous (callback)

# Message Construction

## Return Address

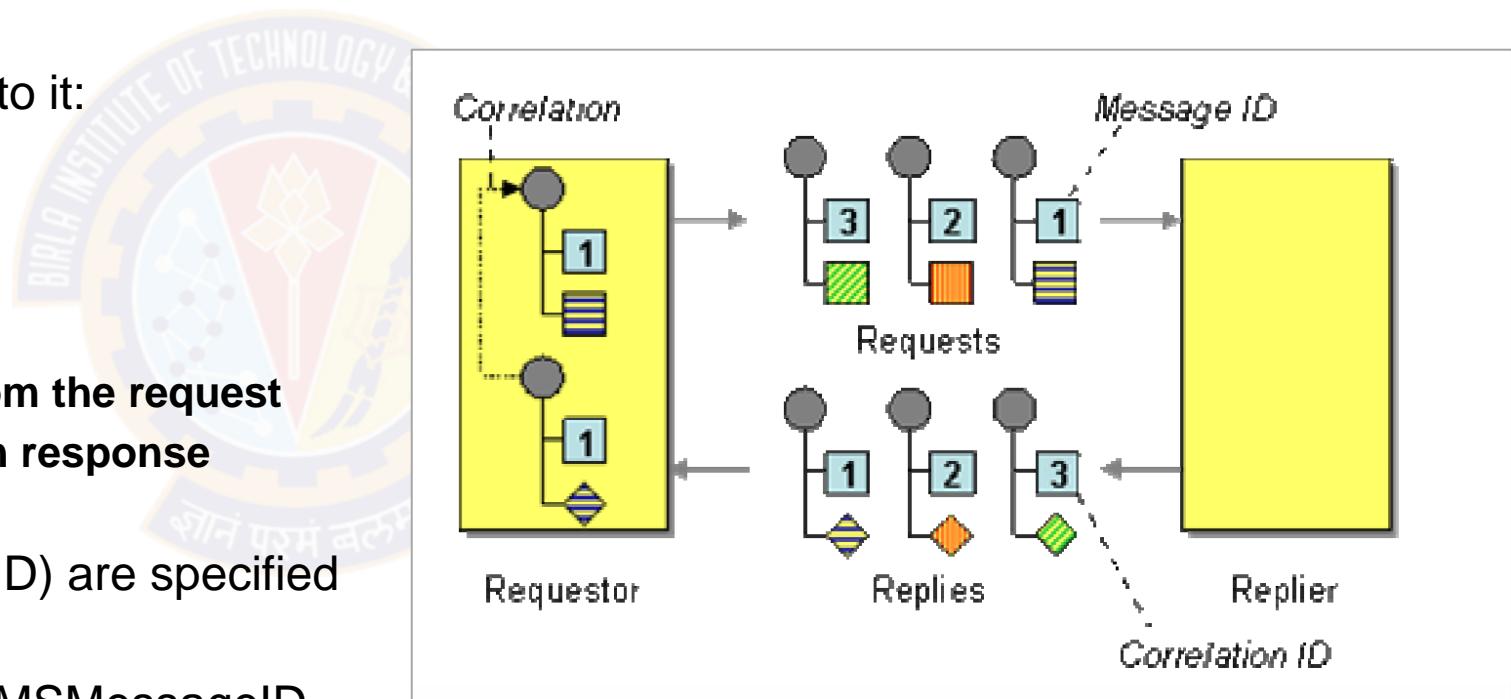
- Asynchronous request-reply model has callback mechanism, which needs the receiver to know where to send the response, especially with multiple senders in question
- Return Address is supplied along with the Request Message, that will be used by receiver to send the reply back (Ex: JMS – JMSReplyTo field on request object)



# Message Construction

## Correlation Identifier

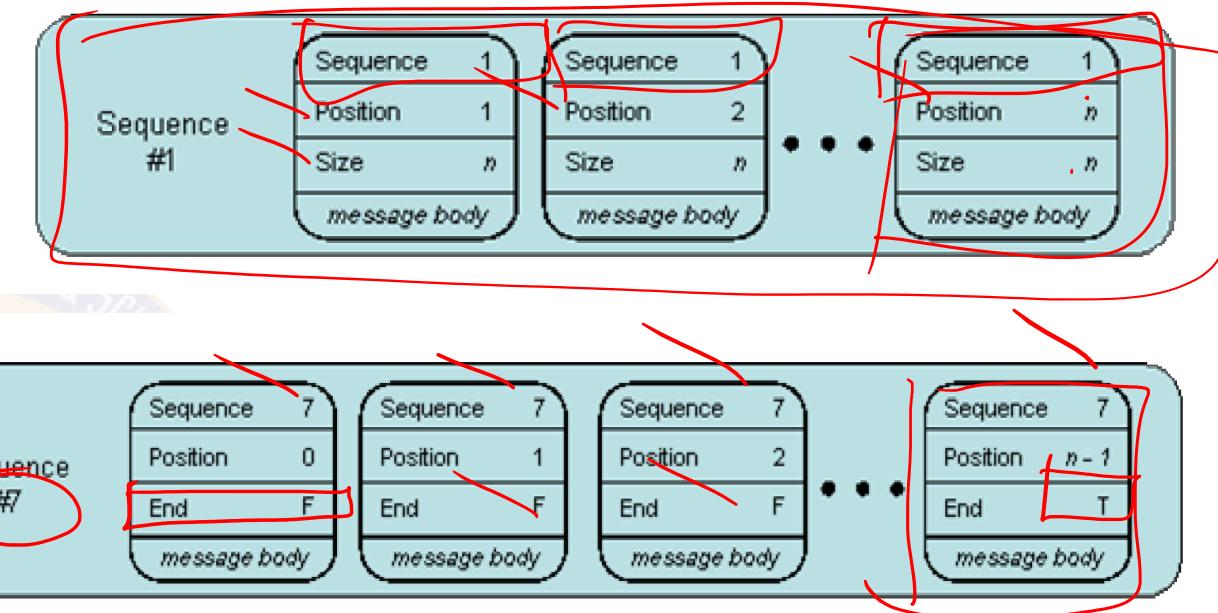
- Each reply in request-reply model should contain a Correlation Identifier that uniquely indicates which request this reply is for.
- Correlation Identifier has 6 parties to it:
  - Requestor – Sender App
  - Replier – Replier App
  - Request – Contains Request ID
  - Reply – Contains Correlation ID
  - **Request ID – A unique token from the request**
  - **Correlation ID – Unique token in response copied from Request ID**
- Correlation ID (and even Request ID) are specified in respective message headers
- Ex: JMS - JMSCorrelationID and JMSMessageID



# Message Construction

## Message Sequence

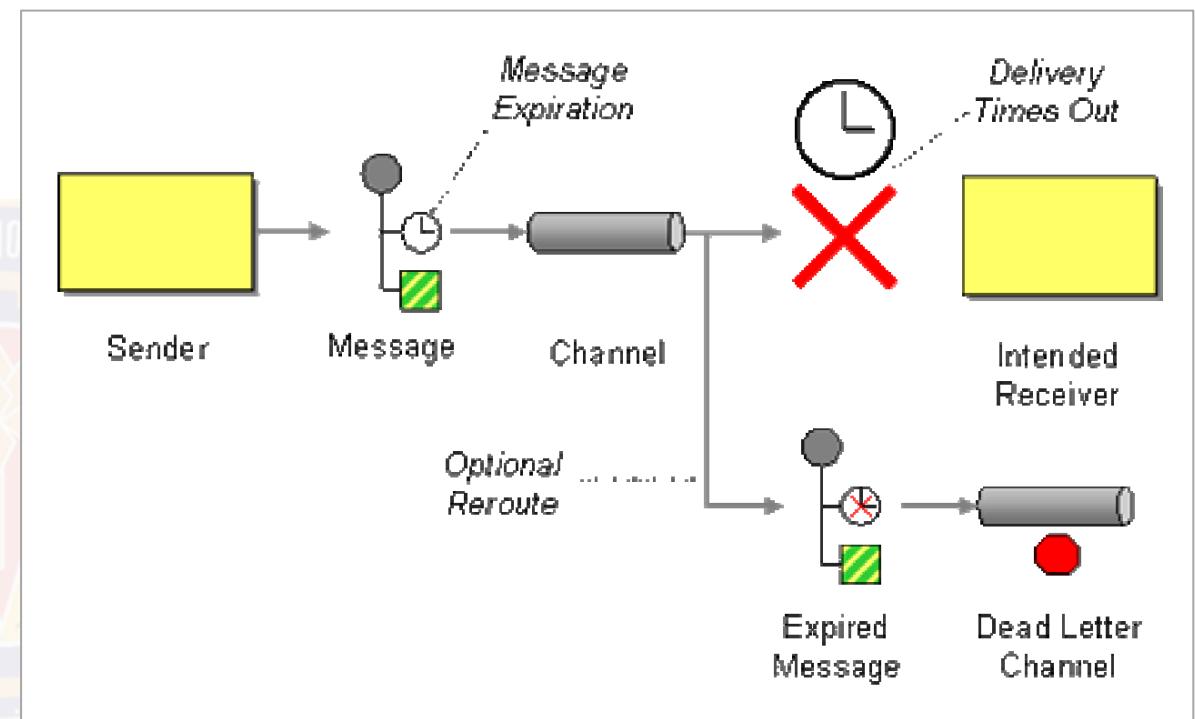
- Message Sequence is used whenever a large set of data may need to be broken into message-size chunks
- Each message in Message Sequence is marked with sequence identification fields
- Message Sequence identification fields
  - Sequence identifier
  - Position identifier
  - Size or End indicator
- Example Use cases:
  - Large document transfer
  - Multi item query
  - Distributed query



# Message Construction

## Message Expiration

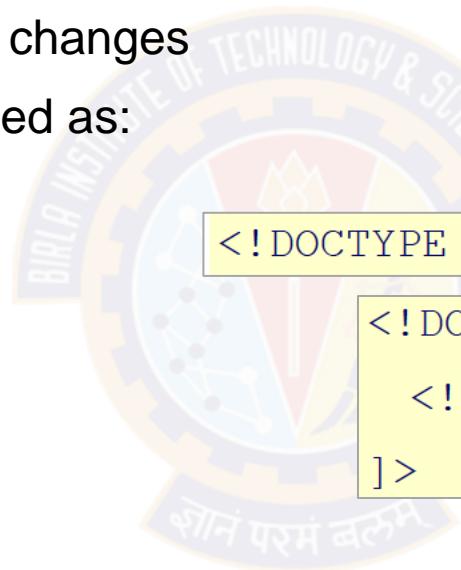
- Message Expiration sets the time limit after which the message becomes stale
- Once the time limit expires, the message is not considered by consumers for processing, moved to Invalid Message Channel
- It could be configured to be rerouted to Dead Letter Channel for further handling
- Message Expiration is a timestamp
  - Relative (longevity), using sent time property
  - Absolute
- JMS implementation -  
`MessageProducer.setTimeToLive(long)`



# Message Construction

## Format Indicator

- The format indicator enables the sender to tell the receiver the format of the message
- This handles versioning and future changes
- Format indicator can be implemented as:
  - Version Number
  - Foreign Key
  - Format Document



```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
```

```
<!DOCTYPE greeting SYSTEM "hello.dtd">
```

```
<!DOCTYPE greeting [  
    <!ELEMENT greeting (#PCDATA)>  
]>
```



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Message Routing



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## Message Routing

- Simple Routers
- Composed Routers
- Architectural Patterns – Right option to choose



# Message Routing

## Simple Routers

- Simple Routers are variants of Message Router and route messages from one inbound channel to one or more outbound channels
- Flavors include:
  - Content based router
  - Message Filter
  - Recipient List
  - Splitter
  - Aggregator
  - Resequencer



# Message Routing

## Composed Routers

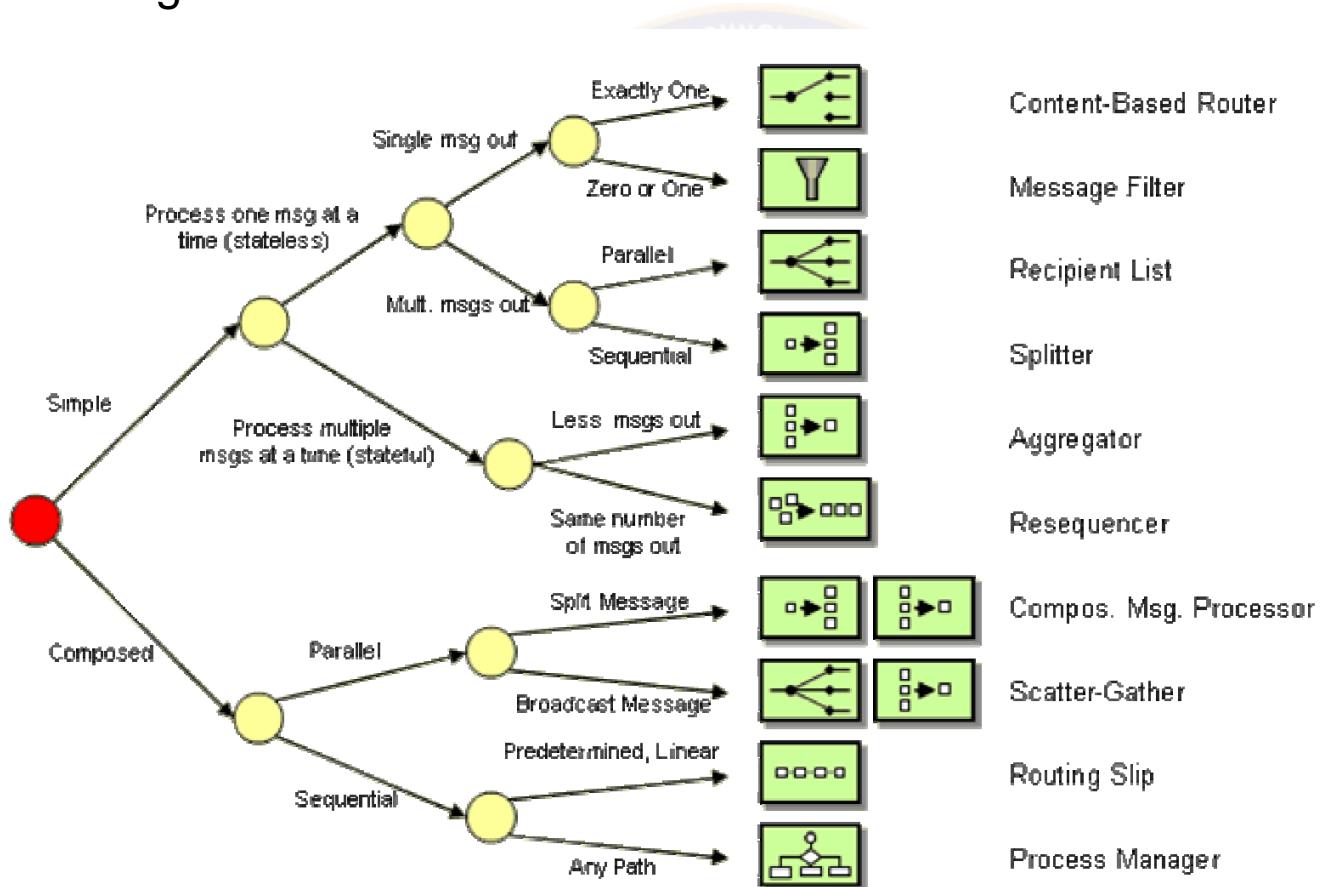
- Composed Routers combine multiple simple routers to create more complex message flows
- Flavors include:
  - Composed Message Processor
  - Scatter-Gather
  - Routing Slip
  - Process Manager



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## Architectural Styles – Right Option to Choose

- Follows a hub-and-spoke architectural style, using central Message Broker
- How to choose the right variant





# Thank You!

In our next session:  
Message Transformation