LECTURE 7: DISTRIBUTED OBJECT- & WEB-BASED SYSTEMS
SECTION 7.1: DISTRIBUTED OBJECT-

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#### **Distributed Objects**

#### Introduction

- In distributed object-based systems, an object plays a key role in getting distribution transparency.
- Everything is treated as an object & clients are offered services/resources as objects that they can invoke.
- Distributed objects form an important paradigm as it's 'easy' to hide distribution aspects behind an object's interface.
- As object can be almost anything, also useful paradigm for building systems.
- Key feature of objects is they encapsulate data (aka *state*), & operations on those data, (aka *methods*)
- Methods are made available through an interface.
- Process can only access/change object's state by invoking methods made available via an object's interface.
- An object may implement multiple interfaces and for an interface definition, can be several objects offering an implementation of it.

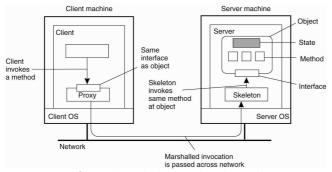
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#### Distributed Objects (/2)

#### Architecture

- The separation between interfaces & objects implementing them is crucial for distributed systems.
- It allows for placing interface at one machine, with object itself on another machine.
- This organization is commonly referred to as a distributed object definition.



Organization of a Distributed Object with a Client-Side Proxy

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#### Distributed Objects (/3)

#### Architecture

- Data & operations encapsulated in an object,
- · Operations implemented as methods grouped into interfaces
- · Object offers only its interface to clients
- Object server is responsible for a collection of objects
- · Client stub (proxy) implements interface, marshals call
- Server skeleton handles (un)marshalling and object invocation (+other stuff)

#### Types of objects I

- *Compile-time objects*: Language-level objects, from which proxy and skeletons are automatically generated.
- Runtime objects: Implementable in any language, but need object adapter to make implementation appear as an object.

#### Types of objects II

- Transient objects: live only due to server: if server exits, so will the object.
- *Persistent objects*: live independently of server: if server exits, object state & code remain (passively) on disk

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#### Distributed Objects (/4)

- Example: Enterprise Java Beans (EJB)
  - Def: Java object hosted by special server that allows for different means of calling the object by remote clients.
  - Four Different Types of EJBs
    - *Stateless session bean*: Transient object, called once, does its work and is done.

E.g.: execute SQL query, return result.

• Stateful session bean: Transient object, but keeps client-related state until session end.

E.g.: shopping cart.

• *Entity bean*: Persistent, stateful object, can be invoked over many sessions.

Container

Server

Services

Server kernel

EJB server

Local OS

Network

E.g.: object maintaining client info on last number of sessions.

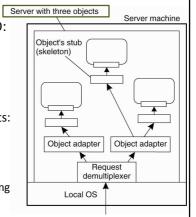
 Message-driven bean: Reactive objects, often triggered by message types. Used to implement publish/subscribe forms of communication.

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#### Distributed Objects (/5)

- Processes: Object servers
  - Servant: Object implementation, sometimes only implements methods:
    - Collection of C or COBOL functions, that act on structs, records, DB tables, etc.
    - Java or C++ classes
  - Skeleton: Server-side stub handles n/w I/O:
    - Unmarshalls incoming requests, calls relevant servant code
    - · Marshalls results and sends reply message
    - Generated from interface specifications
  - Object adapter: "Manager" of a set of objects:
    - Inspects (as first) incoming requests
    - Ensures referenced object is 'activated' (requires identification of servant)
    - Passes request to appropriate skeleton, following specific 'activation' policy
    - · Responsible for generating object references

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#### Distributed Objects (/6)

- Client-to-object binding:
- · Object reference
  - Having an object reference allows a client to bind to an object:
  - Reference denotes server, object, and communication protocol
  - Client loads associated stub code
  - Stub is instantiated and initialized for specific object
- Two ways of binding
  - Implicit: Methods are Distr\_object\* obj\_ref; obj\_ref = ...; obj\_ref→do\_something(); Invoked directly on // Initialize the reference to a distrib. obj // Implicitly bind and invoke a method referenced object • Explicit: Client must Distr\_object obj\_ref; // Declare a systemwide object reference Local\_object\* obj\_ptr; // Declare a pointer to local objects // Initialize the reference to a distrib. obj. explicitly bind to object obj\_ref = .. obj\_ptr = bind(obj\_ref); // Explicitly bind and get ptr to local proxy first before invoking it obj\_ptr→do\_something(); // Invoke a method on the local proxy
  - Remote-object references allow us to pass references as parameters.
  - This was difficult with ordinary RPCs.

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#### Distributed Objects (/7)

- · Remote Method Invocation (RMI)
  - Java Remote Method Invocation (RMI) system allows an object running in one JVM to call methods on objects running in another.
  - RMI gives applications transparent, lightweight access to remote objects.
  - RMI defines a high-level protocol and API.
  - Programming distributed applications in Java RMI is simple:
    - It is a single-language system.
    - Remote object coder must consider behaviour in a concurrent environment.
- Java RMI Applications
  - RMI is supported by two java packages java.rmi & java.rmi.server
  - An application that uses RMI has 3 components:
    - an interface that declares headers for remote methods;
    - a server class that implements the interface; and
    - one or more *clients* that call the remote methods.

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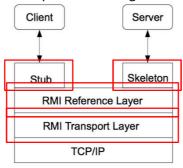
- A Java RMI application needs to do the following:
  - Locate remote objects: An application can use one of two mechanisms to obtain references to remote objects:
    - 1. An application can register its remote objects with RMI's simple naming facility the rmiregistry, or
    - 2. The application can pass and return remote object references as part of its normal operation.
  - Communicate with remote objects:
    - Details of communication between remote objects are handled by RMI;
    - To coder, remote communication looks like standard Java method call.
  - Load class bytecodes for objects that are passed around:
    - RMI provides necessary mechanisms to load object's code\* & send its data.
    - Reason for this is that RMI allows caller to pass objects to remote objects.

\*i.e. object translated/'serialized'/'marshalled' into bytecode

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#### Distributed Objects (/9)

- RMI Architecture
  - Stub: lives client-side; pretends to be the remote object
  - Skeleton: lives on server; talks with true remote object
  - Reference Layer: determines if referenced object is local or remote
  - Transport Layer: packages remote invocations;
    - dispatches messages between stub & skeleton



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#### Distributed Objects (/10)

- Java RMI Basics: (Assumes client stub, server skeleton in place)
  - Client invokes method at stub
  - Stub marshals request and sends it to server
  - Server ensures referenced object is active:
    - · Create separate process to hold object
    - Load the object into server process
    - ...
  - Object skeleton unmarshalls request & referenced method is invoked
  - If request contains object reference, invocation is applied recursively (i.e., server acts as client)
  - Result is marshalled and passed back to client
  - Client *stub* unmarshalls reply & passes result to client application

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#### Distributed Objects (/10)

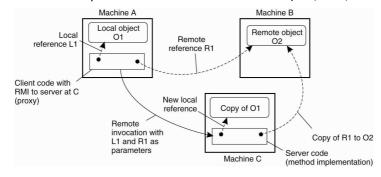
- RMI: Parameter passing
- Object reference: Much easier than in the case of RPC:
  - Server can simply bind to referenced object, and invoke methods
  - Unbind when referenced object is no longer needed
- Object-by-value: Client may also pass a complete object as parameter value:
  - An object has to be marshalled:
    - · Marshall its state
    - Marshall its methods, or give ref to where an implementation can be found
  - Server unmarshalls object (n.b. now have copy of original object)
  - Object-by-value passing tends to introduce nasty problems

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## Distributed Objects (/11)

- RMI Parameter Passing
  - *Note*: System-wide object reference usually contains:
    - · Server address
    - · Port to which adapter listens, and
    - · Local object ID.
  - Extra: Info on protocol between client & server (TCP, UDP, SOAP, etc.)

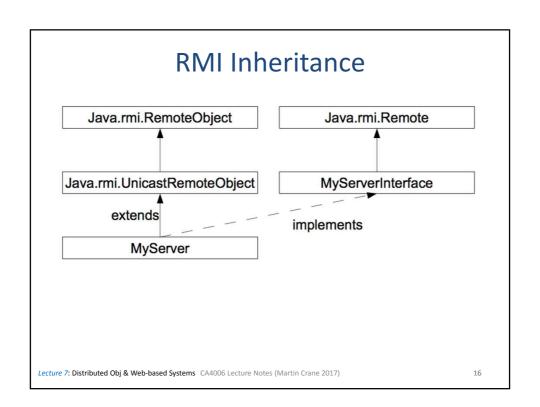


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#### Distributed Objects (/12)

- RMI Registry
  - A simple server-side bootstrap naming facility allowing remote clients to get a reference to a remote object
    - Servers name & register their objects to be accessed remotely with the RMI Registry.
    - Clients use the name to find server objects and obtain a remote reference to those objects from the RMI Registry.
  - Registry service is background program with a list of registered server names on a host and invoked by: rmiregistry port &
  - Registry service is provided by a Naming object providing two key methods:
    - Bind: to register a name and server
    - Lookup: to retrieve the server bound to a name

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# **Security Manager**

- RMI programs must install a security manager
  - Otherwise RMI will not download classes

```
if (System.getSecurityManager() == null) {
    System.setSecurityManager(new SecurityManager());
}
```

- Security policies specify actions that are unsafe
  - For every unsafe action there is a corresponding checkxxx() method
  - Actions not allowed throw a SecurityException
- Only one security manager can be installed
  - · By default, an application has no security manager installed
- Policies are specified using \*.policy files
  - Server and client application must specify their policy file
    - Default file: java.home/lib/security/java.policy
  - Use -Djava.security.policy property specify a file

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#### RMI Example: Database Interface

#### RMI Example (/2): Database Server import java.rmi.\*; import java.rmi.server.\*; public class DatabaseServer { public static void main (Strings[] args) { try { // create Database Server Object Database db = new Database(0); // register name and start serving String name = "rmi://fuji:9999/DB"; Naming.bind(name,db); System.out.println (name + " is running"); } catch (Exception ex) { System.err.println (ex); } } } Lecture 7: Distributed Obj & Web-based Systems CA4006 Lecture Notes (Martin Crane 2017) 19

#### RMI Example (/3): Database Client import java.rmi.\*; public class DatabaseClient { public static void main (String[] args) { try { // set RMI Security Manager System.setSecurityManager(new RMISecurityManager() { public void checkConnect(String host,int port) {} public void checkConnect(String host,int port,Object Context) {} **})**; // get database object String name = "rmi://fuji:9999/DB"; DatabaseInterface db = (DatabaseInterface)Naming.lookup(name); int value, rounds = Integer.parseInt(args[0]); for (int i = 0; i < rounds; i++) {</pre> value = db.read(); System.out.println("read: " + value); db.write(value+1); } catch (Exception ex) { System.err.println (ex); Lecture 7: Distributed Obj & Web-based Systems CA4006 Lecture Notes (Martin Crane 2017)

#### RMI Example (/4): Building the Application

- Steps involved in Building the Application:
  - 1. Compile the code:

```
javac Database.java DatabaseClient.java
            DatabaseInterface.java DatabaseServer.java
```

- 2. Generate stub and skeleton class files: rmic Database (note: not needed for Java 5 or later)
- 3. Start the RMI registry (if don't specify port, 1099 is the default): rmiregistry 9999 &
- 4. Start the Server:

```
java -Djava.security.policy=java.policy DatabaseServer
```

5. Start the Client:

java -Djava.security.policy=java.policy DatabaseClient 10

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# **SECTION 7.2: DISTRIBUTED WEB-BASED SYSTEMS**

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#### Introduction to Web Services

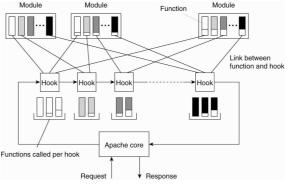
- WS offered by one electronic device to another, communicating via web
- Here, web technology (e.g. HTTP), originally to be used for human-tomachine comms, is used for M2M chatter, e.g. in XML and JSON.
- HTTP defines message format, how sent and what Web servers & browsers do in turn
- WS typically provides OO web-based interface to a DB server, used by another web server, or mobile apps showing UI to end users
- In 2002, W3C defined a WS Architecture,
  - Req'd standardized "Web service" impln with interface described in WSDL.
- Other systems interact with the WS using SOAP\* messages, typically using HTTP with XML serialization with other Web-related standards.
- · Later extended to include
  - REST-compliant WS, where service changes forms of Web resources (URIs) using a uniform set of stateless operations (aka 'CRUD')
  - Arbitrary WS where service exposes arbitrary operations (little used)

\*Simple Object Access Protocol, now largely falling out of use, though with some specialist applications
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#### Background to Web Services

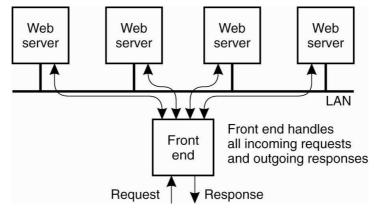
- Apache Web servers
  - Observation: More than 37% of all 1 billion\* Websites are Apache.
  - Server is internally organised roughly according to steps needed to process an HTTP request.
  - The anatomy of an Apache Web Server is shown below:



\*Actually 902,997,800 in Nov 2015, source news.netcraft.com/archives/category/web-server-survey/ Lecture 7: Distributed Obj & Web-based Systems CA4006 Lecture Notes (Martin Crane 2017)

#### Background to Web Services (/2)

- Server Clusters
  - Essence: To improve performance & availability, WWW servers are often clustered in a way that is transparent to clients.
  - Below a server cluster is used with a front end to implement a WS.

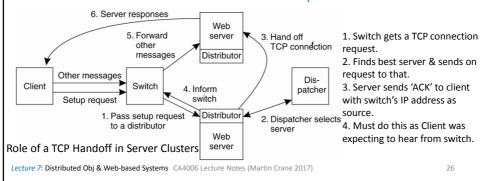


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#### Background to Web Services (/3)

- Problem with Server Clusters:
  - Front end gets easily overloaded, thus need for special measures.
    - 1. Transport-layer switching:
      - Front end simply passes TCP request to a server, according to some performance metric (e.g. load balancing).
    - 2. Content-aware distribution:
      - Front end reads the content of HTTP request and selects best server.



#### Background to Web Services (/4)

- Naming: The Naming Service
  - Names play a very important role in all computer systems.
  - For sharing resources, uniquely identifying entities, referring to locations...
  - Important issue for naming:
    - a name must be resolvable to its entity it refers to,
    - for Name resolution need to implement a Naming System.
  - Naming in distributed systems & non-distributed systems differs in the implementation.
  - In Chord, DS naming system implementation is itself often distributed.
  - How this distribution is done dictates efficiency & scalability of the naming system.

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# Background to Web Services (/5)

- Naming: Names in General
  - Name in DS: string of bits/characters used to refer to it.
  - Entities
    - In DS can be anything (e.g. resources such as hosts, printers, disks & files).
    - Other examples of explicitly named entities are processes, users, mailboxes, Web pages, messages, network connections.
  - Entities can be operated on
    - e.g., a printer offers an interface with operations for printing docs & others
    - e.g. network connection offers data send/ receive, set QoS parameters etc.
  - Operating on entities need an *Access Point*, another DS entity:
    - The name of an access point is called an address.
    - Address of entity's access point entity is called an address of that entity.
  - Note: A *location-independent name* for an entity *E*, is independent from the addresses of the access points offered by *E*.

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## Background to Web Services (/6)

- Naming: Names in General (cont'd)
  - Entities can offer more than one access point
    - e.g. phone is person's access point, with phone number as address
    - people have many phone numbers, for their many addresses.
  - In DS, a typical access point is a host running a specific server.
    - address is e.g. IP address+port (i.e. server's transport-level address).
  - Entities may change access points over course time.
    - laptop moves location, it's often assigned a different IP address
    - similarly, changing jobs or ISPs, means changing e-mail addresses.

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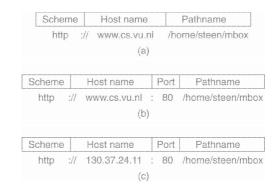
# Background to Web Services (/7)

- Naming: Identifiers
  - Pure name
    - A name that has no meaning at all; it is just a random string.
    - Pure names can be used for comparison only.
  - Identifier: A name having the following properties:
    - P1: Each identifier refers to at most one entity
    - · P2: Each entity is referred to by at most one identifier
    - P3: An identifier always refers to the same entity (prohibits reusing an identifier)
  - Observation
    - Identifier needn't necessarily be a pure name i.e. can have content

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# Background to Web Services (/8)

- Naming: Uniform Resource Locator (URL)
- Often contain information on how/where to access a document.
- Some URLs
  - Using only a DNS Name
  - Combining a DNS name with a port number
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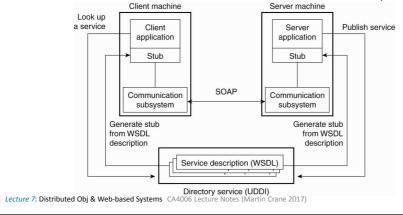
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# **SECTION 7.2.1:** SOAP-BASED WEB SERVICES

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#### Web Services: SOAP-Based

- The Principle of a Web Service
  - Standardization dictates how those services are described such that they can be looked up by a client application.
  - Also, need to ensure that service call proceeds according to server application rules.
  - This is no different from what is needed to realize a remote procedure call.



# Web Services: SOAP-Based (/2)

- Standardization needed so client can look up/access services.
  - Three Components:
  - Directory Service: Stores service descriptions.
    - Adheres to Universal Description, Discovery & Integration standard (UDDI).
    - As its name suggests, this prescribes DB layout with service descriptions.
    - Allows Web service clients to browse for relevant services.
  - Interface: Services described in Web Services Definition Lang (WSDL).
    - Formal language akin to IDLs used to support RPC-based communication.
    - Description contains precise definitions of interfaces provided by a service.
      - e.g. procedure specification, data types, (logical) location of services, etc.
    - A WSDL description is one that can be automatically translated to clientside and server-side stubs, akin to in ordinary RPC-based systems.
  - Communication: Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP) is used
    - Specification of how communication takes place.
    - SOAP is used, which is essentially a framework for standardizing communication between two processes.

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# Web Services: SOAP-Based (/3)

- Service-Oriented Architectures
- So far, a Web service is offered in terms of a single invocation.
  - In practice, more complex invocation structures needed before a service can be considered as completed.

e.g. book order requires selecting a book, paying, and ensuring its delivery.

- So must model actual service as a transaction with multiple ordered steps.
- Means dealing with a complex service built from number of basic services.
- SOA principles for organising s/w not restricted to Web services use
  - Loose Coupling (independent & self-contained)
  - Discoverability
  - · Abstract service description (independent of implementation)
  - Encapsulation (autonomy and abstraction)
  - Compositionality (can be composed of other services)
  - Additional for web services: based on open standards & vendor neutral

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#### Web Services: SOAP-Based (/4)

- Java Web Services: Java supports web services thro JAX-WS
  - JAX-WS = Java API for XML-Web Services.
  - Java Web Services can be deployed in the following ways:
    - · Core Java only
    - Core Java with the current Metro release (helps when building a client)
    - Stand-alone web container (e.g. Tomcat)
    - Java application server (e.g. Glassfish useful for implementing EJB)
  - Can implement SOAP-based web service as a single Java class
  - But usually consists of the following:
    - SEI (Service Endpoint Interface): Declares methods (web service operations)
    - SIB (Service Implementation Bean)
      - Defines the methods declared in the interface
      - Can be either POJO (Plain Old Java Object) or EJB (Enterprise Java Bean)

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#### Web Services: SOAP-Based (/4)

- Writing a Web Service Client
  - Web service client is a program using Web service, e.g. Java application
  - How to access the Web services:
    - Send a HTTP POST request with request as SOAP message to server
    - Better: use wsimport to generate Java stubs to do this for you
  - However, wsimport needs a description of Web services offered by the Web server:
    - Use WSDL document generated by the Web server
    - URL of this document can be obtained by looking at Web services section at http://localhost:4848

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#### TimeServer: SEI

```
package ch01.ts; // time server
import javax.jws.WebService;
import javax.jws.WebMethod;
import javax.jws.soap.SOAPBinding;
import javax.jws.soap.SOAPBinding.Style;
 * The annotation @WebService signals that this is the
    SEI (Service Endpoint Interface). @WebMethod signals
    that each method is a service operation.
    The @SOAPBinding annotation impacts the under-the-hood
    construction of the service contract, the WSDL
    (Web Services Definition Language) document. Style.RPC
    simplifies the contract and makes deployment easier.
@WebService
@SOAPBinding(style = Style.RPC) // more on this later
public interface TimeServer {
    @WebMethod String getTimeAsString();
    @WebMethod long getTimeAsElapsed();
    // These methods can be call akin to an RMI interface
    // But no remote exceptions thrown.
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```

# TimeServer (/2): SIB package ch01.ts; import java.util.Date; import javax.jws.WebService; /\*\* \* The @WebService property endpointInterface links the \* SIB (this class) to the SEI (ch01.ts.TimeServer). \* Note that the method implementations are not annotated \* as @WebMethods. \*/ @WebService(endpointInterface = "ch01.ts.TimeServer") // Links the service to the interface public class TimeServerImpl implements TimeServer { public String getTimeAsString() { return new Date().toString(); } public long getTimeAsElapsed() { return new Date().getTime(); } } Lecture 7: Distributed Obj & Web-based Systems CA4006 Lecture Notes (Martin Crane 2015)

#### TimeServer (/3): Endpoint Publisher package ch01.ts; import javax.xml.ws.Endpoint; \* This application publishes the Web service whose SIB is ch01.ts.TimeServerImpl \* This application publishes the web service whose state to continuous the service is published at network address 127.0.0.1., which is localhost, and at port number 9876, as this port is likely available on any desktop machine. \* The publication path is /ts, an arbitrary name. \* The Endpoint class has an overloaded publish method. In this two-argument version, \* the first argument is the publication URL as a string and the second argument is \* an instance of the service SIB, in this case ch01.ts.TimeServerImpl \* The application runs indefinitely, awaiting service requests. It needs to be \* terminated at the command prompt with control-C or the equivalent. \* Once the applicatation is started, open a browser to the URI \* http://127.0.0.1:9876/ts?wsdl \* Inter://127.0.0.1:30/0/US:WBUI \* to view the service contract, the WSDL document. This is an easy test to \* determine whether the service has deployed successfully. If the test succeeds, \* a client then can be executed against the service. public class TimeServerPublisher { public static void main(String[ ] args) { // 1st argument is the publication URL // 2nd argument is an SIB instance, implementor obj to create interface implns dynamically Endpoint.publish("http://127.0.0.1:9876/ts", new TimeServerImpl()); // After publish has been called, endpoints starts accepting incoming requests Lecture 7: Distributed Obj & Web-based Systems CA4006 Lecture Notes (Martin Crane 2017)

## TimeServer (/4)

- TimeServer: Compiling and Running
  - Compiling the SEI, SIB and publisher javac ch01/ts/\*.java
  - Running the publisher java ch01.ts.TimeServerPublisher
  - Testing the web service with the browser:
    - Access the URL: http://127.0.0.1:9876/ts?wsdl
  - Accessing WSDL using curl: curl http://127.0.0.1:9876/ts?wsdl
- TimeServer will Return the current time:
  - Either as a string or
  - Elapsed milliseconds from Unix epoch, midnight January 1, 1970 GMT.

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#### TimeServer (/5): Ruby Client

```
#!/usr/bin/ruby
# one Ruby package for SOAP-based services
require 'soap/wsdlDriver'
wsdl_url = 'http://127.0.0.1:9876/ts?wsdl'
# Get a service object from the WSDL_url
service = SOAP::WSDLDriverFactory.new(wsdl_url).create_rpc_driver
# Save request/response messages in files named '...soapmsgs...'
# since want to inspect them
service.wiredump_file_base = 'soapmsgs'
# Invoke service operations
result1 = service.getTimeAsString
result2 = service.getTimeAsElapsed
# Output results.
puts "Current time is: #\{result1\}"
puts "Elapsed milliseconds from the epoch: #\{result2\}"
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```

#### TimeServer (/6): Perl Client

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
use SOAP::Lite;
# provides under-the-hood functionality allowing client to issue
# appropriate SOAP request & process the ensuing SOAP response
my $url = 'http://127.0.0.1:9876/ts?wsdl';
# request url ends with a query string asking for WSDL doc
my $service = SOAP::Lite->service($url);
# PERL client gets WSDL and SOAP::Lite library then generates
# appropriate service object. In consuming WSDL doc, SOAP::Lite gets
# info needed (e.g. WS operations & their data types)
print "\verb+\n+Current time is: ",
    $service->getTimeAsString();
print "\verb+\n+Elapsed milliseconds from the epoch: ",
    $service->getTimeAsElapsed(), "\verb+\n+";
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```

#### TimeServer (/7): HTTP Request

```
POST http://127.0.0.1:9876/ts HTTP/ 1.1
Accept: text/html
Accept: multipart/*
Accept: application/soap
User-Agent: SOAP::Lite/Perl/0.69
Content-Length: 434
Content-Type: text/xml; charset=utf-8
SOAPAction:
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
    soap:encodingStyle="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/"
    xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
    xmlns:soapenc="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xmlns:tns="http://ts.ch01/"
    xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  <soap:Body>
    <tns:getTimeAsString xsi:nil="true" />
  </soap:Body>
</soap:Envelope>
 HTTP Startline specifies it's a POST method
 <soap:Body> contains a single method whose localname is getTimeAsString
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```

#### TimeServer (/8): HTTP Response

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Length: 323
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Client-Date: Mon, 28 Apr 2008 02:12:54 GMT
Client-Peer: 127.0.0.1:9876
Client-Response-Num: 1
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<soapenv:Envelope</pre>
   xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
   xmlns:xsd=http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema
  <soapenv:Body>
    <ans:getTimeAsStringResponse xmlns:ans="http://ts.ch01/">
      <return>Thu Mar 21 14:45:17 GMT 2013</return>
    </ans:getTimeAsStringResponse>
  </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
  HTTP/1.1 200 OK signals all processed normally
```

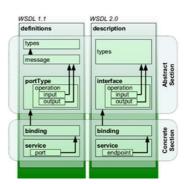
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#### TimeServer (/9): WSDL Document Structure

- A WSDL document has two parts:
  - Interface (abstract)
    - Available services: operations grouped in portTypeS
    - Which messages are needed by operations: A message can have parts
    - Used data types and XML-elements
  - Implementation (concrete)
    - binding to message layer (e.g. SOAP): How message parts mapped to body/header elements of SOAP messages
    - bindings to transport layer (e.g. HTTP): Where do I find the service?
    - A service may offer several ports, i.e. ways to call it

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#### TimeServer (/10): WSDL Document Structure

```
<message name="getTimeAsString"></message>
<message name="getTimeAsStringResponse">
   <part name="return" type="xsd:string"></part>
</message>
<message name="getTimeAsElapsed"></message>
<message name="getTimeAsElapsedResponse">
   <part name="return" type="xsd:long"></part>
</message>
  • For the Timeserver service, four messages
<portType name="TimeServer">
   <operation name="getTimeAsString" parameterOrder="">
      <input message="tns:getTimeAsString"></input>
      <output message="tns:getTimeAsStringResponse"></output>
   </operation>
   <operation name="getTimeAsElapsed" parameterOrder="">
      <input message="tns:getTimeAsElapsed"></input>
      <output message="tns:getTimeAsElapsedResponse"></output>
   </operation>
</portType>
  portType for TimeService has two operations, each with one input message & one
   output message
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```

# TimeServer (/11): Generating Client Support Code From WSDL

• After TimeServerPublisher generated WSDL, execute:

```
wsimport -keep -p client http://localhost:9876/ts?wsdl
```

- The -keep option specifies that the source files should be kept
- The -p client option specifies Java package in which generated files are to be placed
- Above command generates two source & two compiled files in the subdirectory client
- Approaches to Web Services 1: The Contract-First Approach
  - Above approach, where WSDL contract is used to generate all required artifacts for WS development, deployment, & invocation is known as the Contract-First Approach.

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# TimeServer (/12): Generating WS Artifacts From Java Code

- Approaches to Web Services 2: The Code-First Approach
  - A second approach, where Java classes are available and used to generate all required artifacts for WS development, deployment, & invocation is known as Code-First Approach.
  - Command wsgen -cp . [Compiled Java Code] achieves this.
  - Run the publisher to deploy the web service.
- This contrasts with the *Contract-First* seen earlier which was a top-down approach to generate JAX-WS Artifacts
- In general, for a number of reasons Contract-First approach is preferred to Code-First

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#### TimeServer (/12): How to pick a tool?

- Following lists process to create a WS starting from Java sources, classes, or a WSDL file (server side):
- Starting from Java classes use Code-First:
  - Use wsgen to generate portable artifacts (e.g. SE Interface & Implementation classes etc).
  - Deploy the Web Service
- Starting from a WSDL file use Contract-First:
  - Use wsimport to generate portable artifacts.
  - Implement the service endpoint.
  - Deploy the Web Service
- Following lists the process to invoke a web service (client side):
  - Starting from deployed web service's WSDL
  - Use wsimport to generate the client-side artifacts.
  - Implement the client to invoke the web service.

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#### TimeServer (/13): A Compromise Approach

- A third Approach: Code First, Contract Aware
  - Updating Code-First service, might find that WSDL changes too.
  - To get around this, there is a style called *Code First, Contract Aware*.
  - Write code first but annotate to tightly constrain generated WSDL.
- Some annotations:
  - @WebMethod, indicates a method exposed as Web Service operation,
  - @SOAPBinding specifies WS mapping onto SOAP message protocol
  - @WebParam maps a parameter to a WS msg part & XML element,
  - @webResult specifies that operation result in generated WSDL is something other than default return e.g. IntegerOutput.

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```
package ch01.team;
                                           A Harder SOAP Example:
import java.util.List;
import javax.jws.WebService;
import javax.jws.WebMethod;
                                            The Teams Web Service
package ch01.team;
import java.util.List;
import javax.jws.WebService;
import javax.jws.WebMethod;
@WebService
public class Teams {
   private TeamsUtility utils;
   public Teams() {
        utils = new TeamsUtility();
utils.make_test_teams();
   public Team getTeam(String name) {
        return utils.getTeam(name);
    @WebMethod
   public List < Team > getTeams() {
        return utils.getTeams();
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```

```
public void make_test_teams() {
    List < Team > teams = new ArrayList < Team > ();
                         A Harder SOAP
                                                                                                         Player burns = new Player("George Burns", "George");
Player allen = new Player("Gracie Allen", "Gracie");
List < Player > ba = new ArrayList < Player > ();
ba.add(burns);
                             Example (/2)
package ch01.team;
                                                                                                         ba.add(allen);
import java.util.Set;
                                                                                                          Team burns and allen = new Team("Burns&Allen", ba);
import java.util.List;
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.Map;
                                                                                                          teams.add(burns_and_allen);
                                                                                                         Player abbott = new Player("William Abbott", "Bud");
Player costello = new Player("Lou Cristillo","Lou");
List < Player > ac = new ArrayList < Player > ();
ac.add(abbott);
ac.add(abott);
import java.util.HashMap:
public class TeamsUtility {
    private Map < String, Team > team_map;
                                                                                                         ac.add(costello);
                                                                                              Team abbott_and_costello = new Team("Abbott and Costello", ac);
teams.add(abbott_and_costello);
       public TeamsUtility() {
    team_map = new HashMap < String, Team > ();
    make_test_teams();
                                                                                                        Player chico = new Player("Leonard Marx", "Chico");
Player groucho = new Player("Julius Marx",
      public Team getTeam(String name) {
    return team_map.get(name);
                                                                                              "Groucho");

Player harpo = new Player("Adolph Marx", "Harpo");
                                                                                                         List < Player > mb = new ArrayList < Player > ();
                                                                                                         mb.add(chico);
      public List < Team > getTeams() {
    List < Team > list = new ArrayList < Team > ();
    Set < String > keys = team_map.keySet();
                                                                                                         mb.add(groucho);
mb.add(harpo);
                                                                                                         Team marx brothers = new Team("Marx Brothers", mb);
                  for (String key: keys)
list.add(team_map.get(key));
return list;
                                                                                                         teams.add(marx_brothers);
                                                                                                        store_teams(teams);
      }
                                                                                                  private void store_teams(List < Team > teams) {
   for (Team team: teams)
                                                                                                               team_map.put(team.getName(), team);
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                                                                                                                                                                                53
```

```
package ch01.team
                                                                                                       pathage cn01.team;
import java.util.List;
public class Team {
    private List < Player > players;
    private String name;
                          A Harder SOAP
                               Example (/3)
                                                                                                            public Team() {}
public Team(String name, List < Player > players) {
    setName(name);
    setPlayers(players);
package ch01.team;
public class Player {
   private String name;
   private String nickname;
     public Player() {}
public Player(String name, String nickname) {
                                                                                                            public void setName(String name) {
   this.name = name;
            setName(name);
setNickname(nickname);
                                                                                                             public String getName() {
     public void setName(String name) {
                                                                                                            public void setPlayers(List < Player > players) {
           this.name = name;
                                                                                                                   this.players = players;
    public String getName() {
                                                                                                            public List < Player > getPlayers() {
                                                                                                                  return players:
     public void setNickname(String nickname) {
   this.nickname = nickname;
                                                                                                            public void setRosterCount(int n) {} // no-op but needed
public int getRosterCount() {
    return (players == null) ? 0 : players.size();
    public String getNickname() {
   return nickname;
                                                                                                        package ch01.team;
                                                                                                        import javax.xml.ws.Endpoint;
class TeamsPublisher {
                                                                                                            ass TeamsPublisher {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int port = 8888;
        String url = "http://localhost:" + port + "/teams";
        System.out.println("Publish Teams on port " + port);
        Endpoint.publish(url, new Teams());

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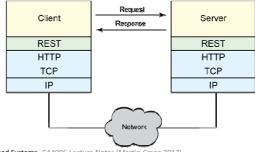
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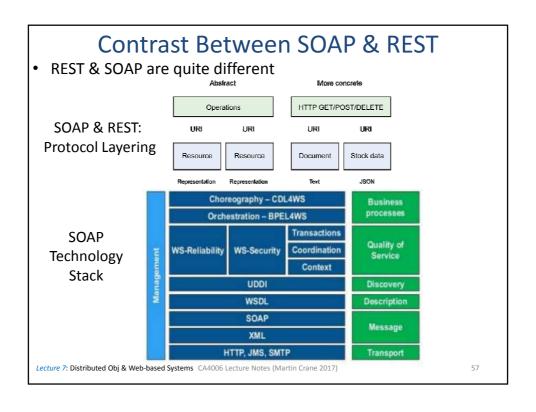
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#### Introduction to REST

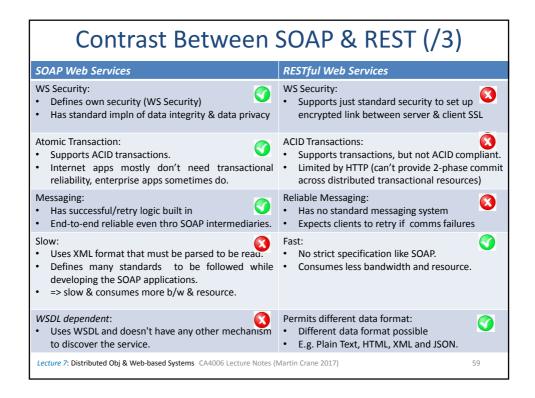
- *REST*, or <u>REpresentational State Transfer</u>, is a distributed communication architecture
  - Overall SOAP WS architecture has many layers with protocols & standards for security & reliability=>tedious for WS developers.
  - REST is fast becoming the lingua franca for Cloud Computing
  - Central REST abstraction is the *Resource* i.e. anything with a URI.
  - In practice, resource is an info item that has hyperlinks to it.



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## Contrast Between SOAP & REST (/4)

- REST tries to isolate complexity at endpoints (Clients & Service):
  - Service:
    - Could need logic/computation to process XML to maintain Resources & generate their representation.
  - Client:
    - May have to process XML to extract info from XML representation.
- But this complexity is kept from the transport level.
- SOAP complicates the transport level as a SOAP message is encapsulated as transport message body.

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#### More on Resources in REST

- Resources have certain properties:
  - Representation: usually MIME (commonly text/html, text/xml).
  - State: i.e. they are mutable.
- Note:
  - In a RESTful request on it, resource itself stays service-side.
  - If request succeeds, requester gets resource's representation (this transfers from server to requester machine).
  - For successful request to read resource, it's typed representation
     (e.g. text/xml) transfers from resource's server to the requester

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# Roy Fielding's Principles of REST

- 1. The web has addressable resources each with a URI.
- 2. The web has a uniform and constrained interface.
  - HTTP is synchronous request/response network protocol
    - Has a small number of methods.
    - Use these to manipulate resources.
- 3. Web is representation oriented providing diverse formats.
- The web may be used to communicate statelessly providing scalability
- 5. HATEOAS: Hypermedia is used as the engine of application state.

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#### Principles of REST 1: Addressability

scheme://host:port/path?queryString#fragment

- The scheme need not be HTTP. May be FTP or HTTPS.
- The host field may be a DNS name or a IP address.
- The port may be derived from the scheme. Using HTTP implies port 80.
- The path is a set of text segments delimited by the "/".
- The queryString is a list of parameters represented as name=value pairs with each delimited by an "&".
- The fragment is used to point to a parCcular place in a document.

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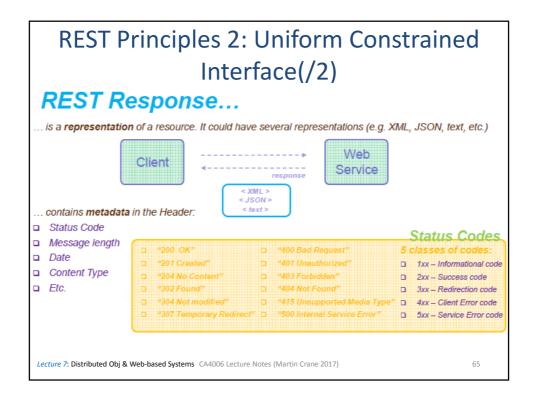
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# REST Principles 2: Uniform Constrained Interface Small number of HTTP Operations:

- No need for IDL
- Interoperability





# Principles of REST 3: Representation-Orientated

- · Representations of resources are exchanged.
  - GET returns a representation.
  - PUT & POST sends representations to server so underlying resources may change.
- Representations may be in many formats: XML, JSON, etc.
- HTTP uses CONTENT-TYPE header to specify message format the server is sending.
- The value of the CONTENT-TYPE is a MIME typed string.
- Examples:
  - text/plain
  - text/html

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## Principles of REST 4: Communicate Statelessly

- The application may have state but there is no client session data stored on the server.
- Server only records & manages state of resources it exposes.
- Any session-specific data is held & maintained by the client for sending to server with each request as needed.
- Server is easier to scale. No replication of session data concerns.
  - Client sessions only kept server-side due to browser limitations
  - Around 2008 browsers got powerful enough to maintain their own session state=>fat clients possible

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#### **Principles of REST 5: HATEAOS**

- Final REST principle is idea of using Hypermedia As The Engine Of Application State (HATEOAS).
- Hypermedia is document-centric approach with added support to insert links to other services & info in that document format.
- REST client doesn't need any prior info on interacting with any application or server except understanding of hypermedia.
- REST client enters REST application thro simple fixed URL.
- All future actions client takes discoverable in resource representations returned from the server.
- Provide further guidance in the response!!!

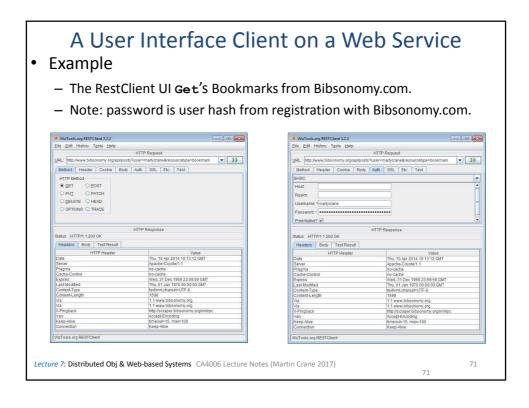
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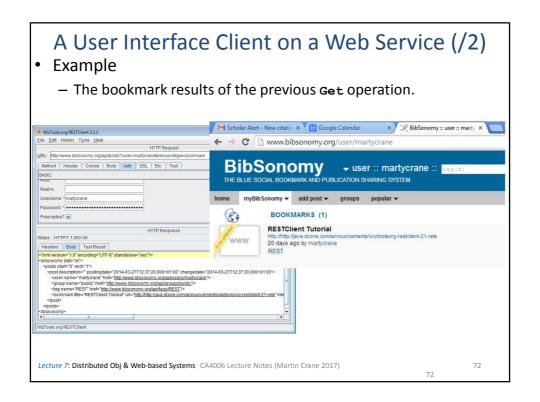
# Principles of REST 5: HATEAOS (/2)

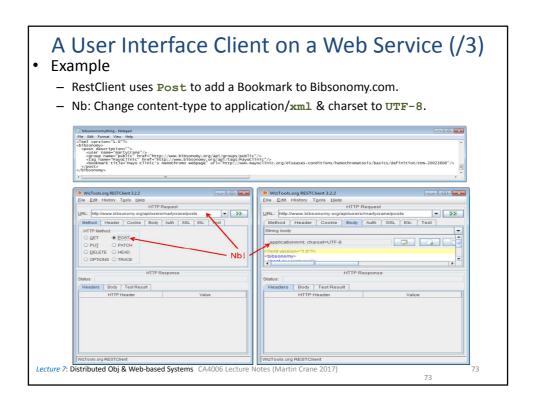
# A Subtlety: Opacity of URIs

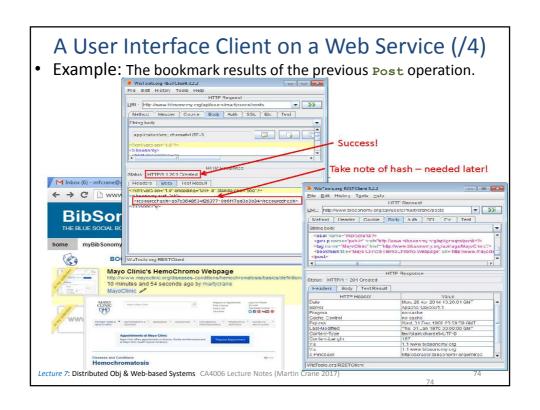
- A URI is meant to be opaque
  - Means that URI: http://bedrock/citizens/fred has no inherent connection to the URI: http://bedrock/citizens/
  - Although Fred happens to be a citizen of Bedrock.
  - Of course, good designers devise URIs akin to what they identify, but URIs have no intrinsic hierarchical structure.
- A Note of caution
  - URI syntax resembles that for file system navigation, but this can mislead:
  - URIs are opaque identifiers, each naming exactly one resource.

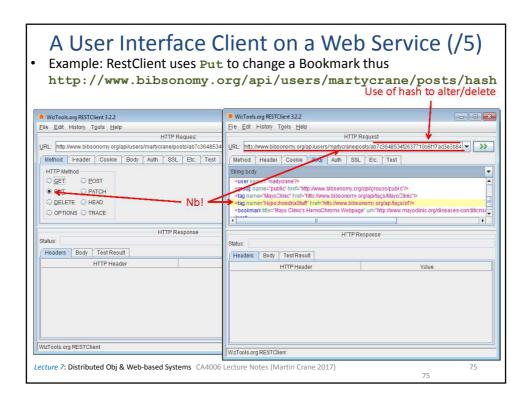
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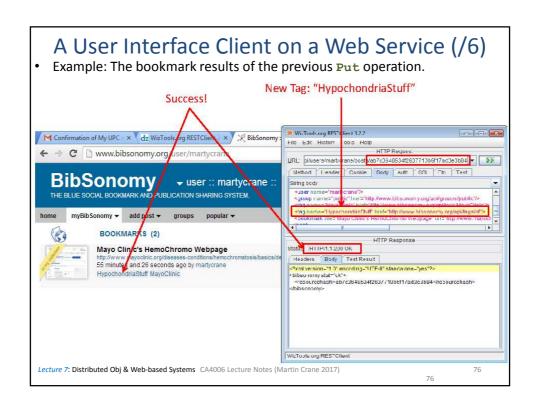


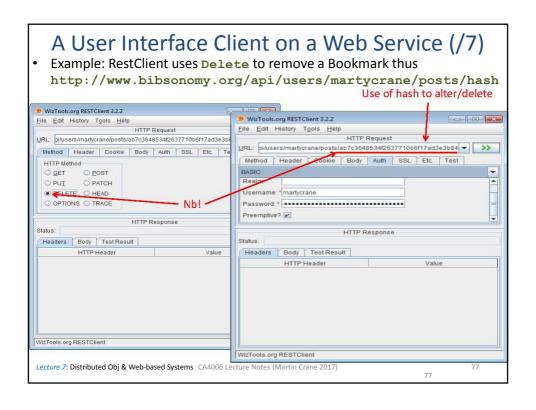


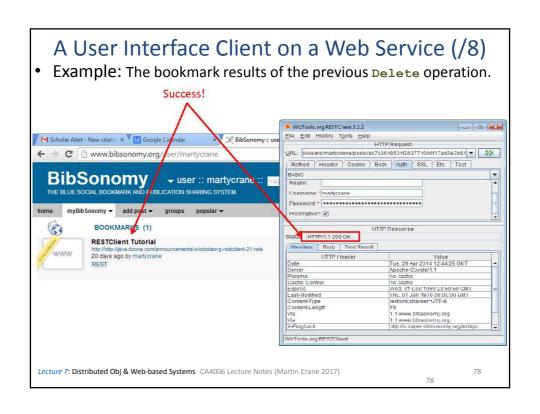












#### A JAX-RS REST Example: Customer Class

```
package com.restfully.shop.domain;
public class Customer {
                                                         public String getStreet() { return street; }
  private int id;
                                                         public void setStreet(String street) {
  private String firstName;
                                                                  this.street = street; }
  private String lastName;
  private String street;
                                                         public String getCity() { return city; }
public void setCity(String city) {
  private String city;
  private String state;
                                                                  this.city = city; }
  private String zip;
  private String country;
                                                         public String getState() { return state; }
public void setState(String state) {
  public int getId() { return id; }
                                                                  this.state = state; }
  public void setId(int id) {this.id = id;
                                                         public String getZip() { return zip; }
public void setZip(String zip) {
  public String getFirstName() {
                                                                  this.zip = zip; }
           return firstName; }
  public void setFirstName(String firstName) {
                                                         public String getCountry() { return country; }
           this.firstName = firstName; }
                                                         public void setCountry(String country) {
                                                              this.country = country; )
  public String getLastName() {
           return lastName; }
  public void setLastName(String lastName) {
           this.lastName = lastName; }
```

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#### CustomerResource Class package com.restfully.shop.services; @GET /\* Ties GET to getCustomer \*/ @Path("{id}") /\* find cust with wildcard URI pattern \*/ @Produces("application/xml") public <u>StreamingOutput</u> getCustomer(@PathParam("id") int import com.restfully.shop.domain.Customer; import org.w3c.dom.Document; import org.w3c.dom.Element; import org.w3c.dom.Nodelist; import org.w3c.dom.Nodelist; import javax.ws.rs.\*; /\* GET, PUT, POST, Consumes Stuff\*/ import javax.ws.rs.\*; /\* GET, PUT, POST, Consumes Stuff\*/ id) { final Customer cust1 = customerDB.get(id); if in a customer cust1 = customerDB.get(id); } import org.w3c.dom.Document: import javax.ws.rs.PathParam; import javax.ws.rs.Produces; if (cust1 == null) { import javax.ws.rs.WebApplicationException; import javax.ws.rs.core.Response; import javax.ws.rs.core.StreamingOutput; throw new WebApplicationException(Response.Status.NOT\_FOUND); import javax.xml.parsers.DocumentBuilder; import javax.xml.parsers.DocumentBuilderFactory; import java.io.\*; /\*inputstream, outputstream stuff\*/ import java.net.URI; import java.util.\*; /Map, CustomerHashmap, AInteger\*/ return new StreamingOutput() { public void write(OutputStream outputStream) throws IOException, WebApplicationException { outputCustomer(outputStream, cust1); @Path("/customers")/\*cust'r service's relative root URI\*/ public class CustomerResource { /\* Ye Web Service \*/ @PUT /\* Ties PUT to updateCustomer \*/ @Path("{id}")/\* find cust with wildcard URI pattern \*/ @Consumes("application/xml") public void updateCustomer(@PathParam("id") int id, InputStream is) { Customer update = readCustomer(is); Customer curr1 = customerDB.get(id); if (curr1 == null) throw new WebApplicationException(Response.Status.NOT\_FOUND); cust1.setId(idCounter.incrementAndGet());/\* AI INC\*/ curr1.setFirstName(update.getFirstName()); curr1.setLastName(update.getLastName()); customerDB.put(cust1.getId(), cust1); System.out.println("Created customer " + curr1.setStreet(update.getStreet()); curr1.setState(update.getState()); curr1.setZip(update.getZip()); curr1.setCountry(update.getCountry());

#### CustomerResource protected Customer readCustomer(<u>InputStream</u> is) { Class (/2) /\* Lots of utility methods provided here \*/ protected void outputCustomer(OutputStream os, Customer cust) | Discrete void outputstoner (outputstreem os, customer cust/ throws IDException { | PrintStream writer = new PrintStream(os); | writer.println("ccustomer id=\"" + cust.getId() + "\""); | writer.println(" <first-name>" + cust.getFirstName() + else if (element.getTagName().equals("last-name")){ cust.setLastName(element.getTextContent()); else if (element.getTagName().equals("street")) { cust.setStreet(element.getTextContent()); rrst-name>"); writer.println(" <last-name>" + cust.getLastName() + "</last-nam else if (element.getTagName().equals("city")) { cust.setCity(element.getTextContent()); } ast-name>"); writer.println(" <street>" + cust.getStreet() + else if (element.getTagName().equals("state")) { cust.setState(element.getTextContent()); else if (element.getTagName().equals("zip")) { cust.setZip(element.getTextContent()); writer.println("</customer>"); else if (element.getTagName().equals("country")) { cust.setCountry(element.getTextContent());

return cust;

```
Writing a Client MyClient Class
 package com.restfully.shop.test;
 import org.junit.Test;
/* test GET method */
System.out.println("*** GET Created Customer **");
                                                                                                                          System.out.println(
    location).request().get(String.class);
System.out.println(customer);
         thor <a href="mailto:bill@burkecentral.com">Bill Burke</a>
                                                                                                                                       + "<first-name>William</first-name>"
+ "<last-name>Burke</last-name>"
public class MyClient {
   public static void main (String[] args) throws Exception{
                                                                                                                                            "<street>256 Clarendon Street</street>"
         Client client = ClientBuilder.newClient();
try {
                                                                                                                                         + "<city>Boston</city>"
                                                                                                                                       + "<state>Ma</state>"
+ "<state>Ma</state>"
+ "<zip>02115</zip>"
+ "<country>USA</country>"
+ "</customer>";
              System.out.println("*** Create a new Customer ***");
             "<street>256 Clarendon Street</street>"
                                                                                                                                  /* test PUT method */
                           + "<street>256 Clarendon !
+ "<city>Boston</city>"
+ "<state>MA</state>"
+ "<zip>02115</zip>"
+ "<country>USA</country>"
+ "</customer>";
                                                                                                                          response = client.target(location).request().

put(Entity.xml(updateCust));

if (response.getStatus() != 204) throw new

RuntimeException("Failed to update");
                                                                                                                           response.close();
                                                                                                                   Response response = client.target(
    "http://localhost:8080/services/customers")
.request().post(Entity.xml(xml));
Web target has structure for folders/files in it */
irst build & execute POST request to create customer */
if (response.getStatus() != 2011 throw new
    RuntimeException("Failed to create");
String location = response.getLocation().toString();
System.out.println("Location: " + location); /*as URI*/ }
response.close(); /* always close Response objs */
ez ? Ditributed Objs & Web.based Systems. CAMORG Lecture Notes (#)
                                                                                                                    }
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```

```
package com.restfully.shop.services;
                                             REST Example: WAR File &
import javax.ws.rs.ApplicationPath;
                                        ShoppingApplication Class
import javax.ws.rs.core.Application;
import java.util.HashSet;
import java.util.Set;
/* services can be either singletons or on a per-request model: former is where one and only one
Java object services HTTP requests; latter is Java object is created to process each incoming
request and is thrown away at the end of that request. We use the former */
@ApplicationPath("/services") /* specs relative base URL path for all JAX-RS services */
public class ShoppingApplication extends Application {
  private Set<Object> singletons = new HashSet<Object>();
  public ShoppingApplication() {singletons.add(new CustomerResource());
/* ShopApp.getSingletons() returns Set initialized in constructor & CustomerResource instance. */
  @Override
  public Set<Object> getSingletons() {return singletons;
/* WAR file distributes JavaServer Pages, Java classes, other resources of web application. */
<any static content>
WEB-INF /* WEB-INF dir contains a file named Web.xml defining web application structure */
Web.xml
     classes/
          com/restfully/shop/domain/
               Customer, class
          com/restfully/shop/services/
                CustomerResource.class
               ShoppingApplication.class
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