



Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)

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Introduction

- Today, there are many solutions for business applications with industrial dimensions.
- All have advantages and disadvantages
- The most important thing is to be clear about when to apply each one.

Type of application	Solution	Use of frames	J2EE implementation examples		
			Pres.	Business	Integration
Corporate	Multilayer architecture	No	JSP	SAs POJOs + transfers	DAOs POJOs
		Yes	JSF	SAs POJOs + entities	JPA
+ Distributed Logic	RPC (Remote Procedure Call)	No	JSP (client)	SAs POJOs + RMI + transfers	DAOs POJOs
		Yes	JSF (client)	Session EJBs + entities	JPA
Heterogeneous platforms	+ SOA	No	JSP (client)	SAs POJOs + transfers + JAX WS / JAX RS	DAOs POJOs
		Yes	JSF (client)	Session EJBs JAX WS / JAX RS + entities	JPA

Applicable solution based on application requirements

Introduction

- We have already seen the multilayer architecture
- Remote object invocation in practice is closely linked to implementation platforms.
- We will now focus on service-oriented architectures, more independent of the implementation platforms

SOA

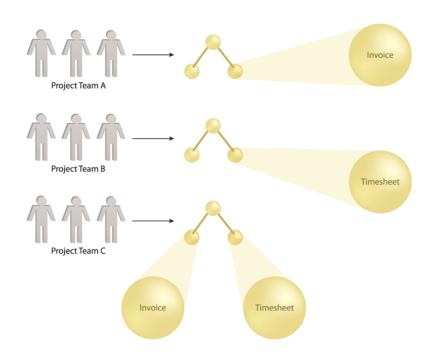
- Service-oriented architecture (SOA) is an architectural model that attempts to improve the efficiency, agility and productivity of an enterprise by placing services as the primary method through which the solution logic is represented.
- In principle, the architecture itself should be differentiated from the elements of service-oriented computing, but in many contexts it is used interchangeably.

SOA

- Two uses of SOA must be distinguished:
 - As a logic invocation mechanism for external systems, i.e., as an API to be used by the integration layer of another system
 - In addition, as a logic invocation mechanism for its own internal system

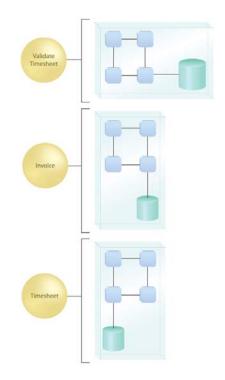
- We can list the following:
 - Increased interoperability
 - Increase in the federation
 - Increasing platform diversification options
 - Greater alignment of business and technology
 - Increased return on investment
 - Increased organizational agility
 - Reduction of ICT burden

- Increased interoperability
 - In this context, interoperability means data sharing between applications.
 - Exposing an application's services through SOA facilitates such interoperability.



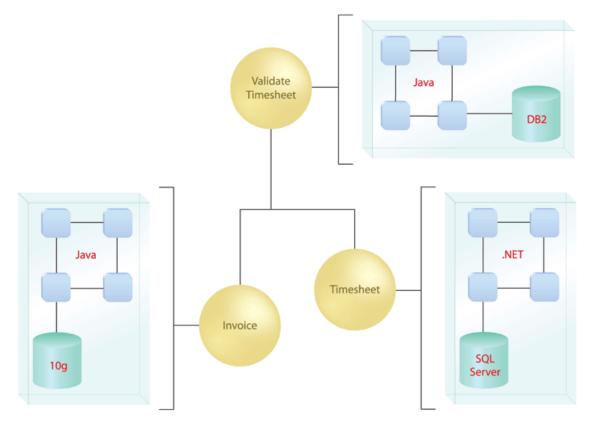
Increased interoperability in SOA

- Increase in the federation
 - A federated computing environment is one where resources and applications are linked together while maintaining their autonomy and self-governance.
 - The exposure of services through SOA naturally favors the federation of functionalities.



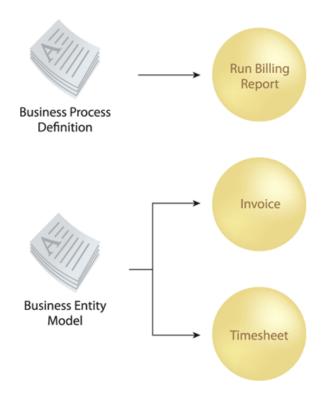
Services establishing a federated set of encapsulated functionalities

- Increasing supplier diversification options
 - Diversification allows you to choose the best product from each supplier and use them in an integrated manner
 - SOA naturally allows the use of a vendor regardless of its implementation platform.



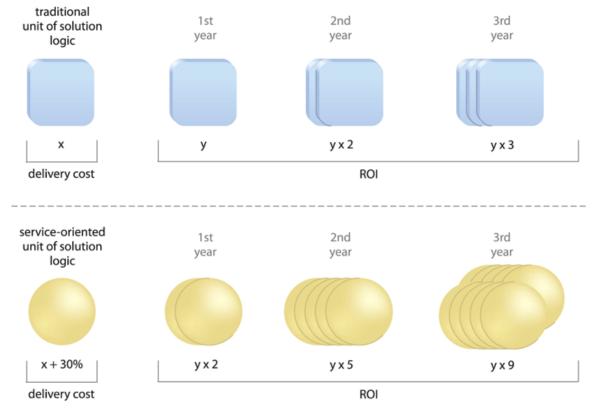
Services implemented on different platforms

- Greater alignment of business and technology
 - Alignment aims to ensure that the IT system supports a company's changing requirements as quickly as possible.
 - To the extent that the system is designed around fine-grained services, the evolution of the system will be facilitated, and thus the alignment between business and technology will be facilitated.



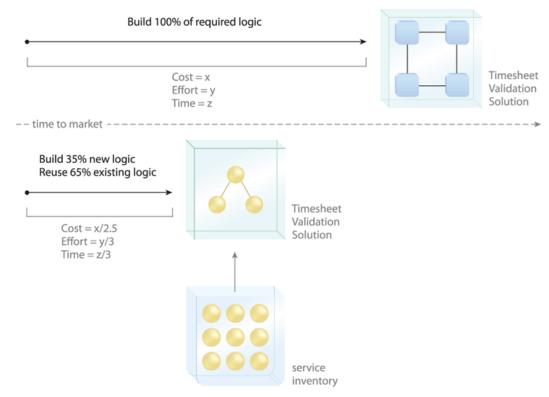
Fine-grained services favor evolution and hence alignment

- Increased return on investment
 - The higher the return on investment, the higher the profitability of an organization.
 - The ability to reuse and evolve an SOA solution favors increased profits, despite a higher initial investment.



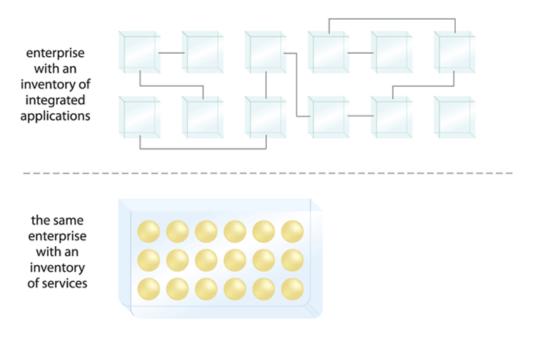
Comparison of return on investment in classic and SOA solutions

- Increased organizational agility
 - Agility is the efficiency with which an organization can respond to change.
 - As long as there is a good IT support and alignment between business and system, things that favor SOA, the organization will be more agile.



Comparison of changeover time in a traditional and SOA application

- Reduction of the ICT burden
 - The lower the load of any component of a company, the higher the sales.
 - Service-oriented architecture allows for a more agile ICT department that reduces the burden on the organization.



Service organization allows for less costly IT departments

- There are a number of principles when designing services:
 - Standard service contract
 - Low service coupling
 - Service abstraction
 - Service reusability
 - Service autonomy
 - Stateless services
 - Ability to find services
 - Ability to compose services

- Ability to find the service
- Service Componentization
- Standard service contract
 - Services express their purpose and capabilities through a service contract. For example:
 - WSDL
 - XML Schema
 - Description WS-Policy
 - This is the most important principle

- Low coupling of services
 - Coupling is the level of connection or relationship between two elements.
 - Low coupling of services promotes no dependency between services, nor access to service implementations by jumping their interface.
- Service abstraction
 - This principle promotes concealing as many details of the service implementation as possible.
 - In other words, it promotes minimal and abstract interfaces

- Reusability of services
 - This principle promotes the positioning of services as business resources independent of specific functional contexts.
 - Thus, the services are useful for more than one purpose
- Autonomy of services
 - This principle determines that services must be able to perform their functionality consistently and reliably.
 - For this, the implementation of such services must have a significant degree of control over its environment and resources.

Stateless services

- Managing excessive status information can compromise the availability of a service and limit its potential for scale.
- Therefore, the services should only have status in very specific and determined cases.

- Ability to find services
 - To increase ROI and leverage services, services should make clear what their functionality is:
 - Purpose
 - Capabilities
 - Resource constraints
 - Such functionality should be made clear regardless of the existence of mechanisms such as service registries.

- Ability to compose services
 - As the sophistication of SOA solutions grows, so does the complexity of service composition configurations.
 - Therefore, the ability to compose services is essential in advanced applications.

- The above principles lack the concept of interoperability.
- It has not been made explicit, as it is assumed to be a fundamental requirement of SOA and each of the above principles.

- Consistent application of these eight design principles produces designs with:
 - Improved consistency in the representation of functionality and data
 - Reduced dependencies between logical solution units
 - Reduced knowledge of logic design and its implementation
 - Increased ability to reuse a logical solution element for multiple purposes

- Increased opportunity to combine logical solution units in different configurations
- Higher level of behavioral prediction
- Increased availability and scalability
- Increased knowledge of available logical solutions

SOA or not SOA

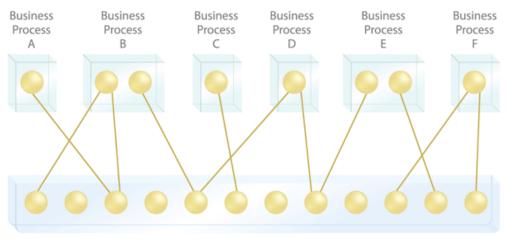
- There are some problems that non-SOA architectures can present:
 - There may be redundant functionality
 - This makes the development process inefficient.
 - It causes the existence of unnecessary functionality in the company.
 - This leads to heterogeneous platforms, complex infrastructures and convoluted architectures.
 - Integration becomes a constant challenge

SOA or not SOA

- The SOA architecture has several advantages:
 - Increased amount of solution-independent logic
 - Less application-specific logic
 - Reduction in logic volume
 - Inherent interoperability

SOA or not SOA

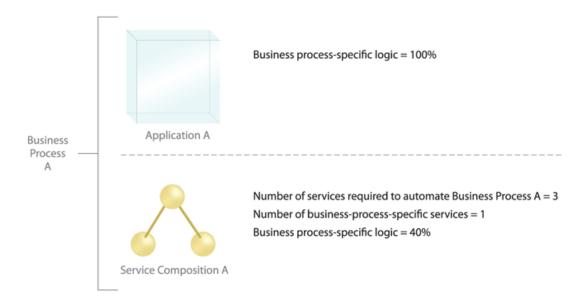
- Increased amount of solution-independent logic
 - Within an SOA solution, units of logic (services) encapsulate
 functionality that is not specific to an application or business service.
 - These elements are reusable TICS elements that are independent of the solution.



business process agnostic services

Services as reusable logic elements

- Less application-specific logic
 - By making services that are not specific to an application or business,
 the amount of application-specific logic is decreased.
 - This blurs the concept of independent application.



Solution-specific logic reduction

- Reduction in logic volume
 - The volume of the solution logic is reduced as services are shared and reused by different business processes.



enterprise with an inventory of standalone applications



quantity of overall automation logic = 85% of x

enterprise with a mixed inventory of standalone applications and services



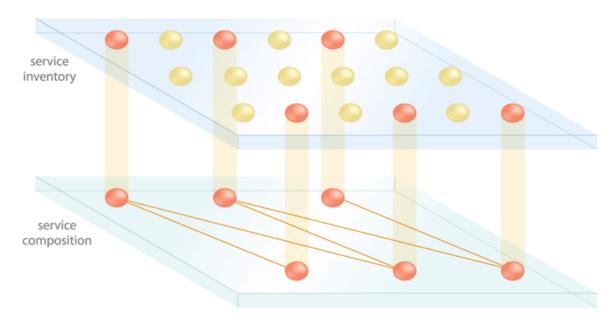
quantity of overall automation logic = 65% of x

Logic volume in classic, mixed and SOA applications

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enterprise with an inventory of services

- Inherent interoperability
 - SOA solutions involve aligned logic solutions
 - Thus, service contracts and their underlying data models provide a mechanism to increase interoperability.



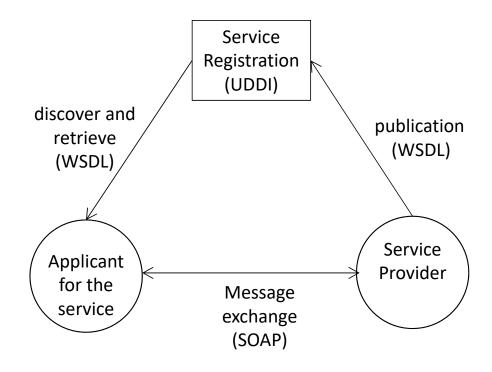
Consistent set of services increases interoperability and composability

- SOA architecture also presents a number of challenges:
 - Increased design complexity
 - Need for design and architectural standards
 - Pre-listing of all services prior to their implementation
 - May hinder the application of agile methodologies.
 - Forces the presence of an authority in the management of services
- Therefore, an SOA solution should only be applied when strictly necessary.

- SOA is a generic architecture independent of concrete implementations.
- CORBA can be an SOA implementation
- It is common to speak of web services as a mechanism for SOA implementation.

- There are several definitions, but I am not convinced by any of them
- I would say that a web service is an element of logic invocable over the network and whose client only knows the type of the input information output, and the implemented functionality, i.e., it does not know its implementation platform

- There is a first generation of web services characterized by the use of:
 - Web Services Description Language (WSDL)
 - Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP)
 - Universal Description, Discovery and Integration (UDDI)
 - WS-I Basic Profile



First generation of web services

- There is a second generation of web services based on extensions to the first generation web services. Among others:
 - WS-Security Specification and Frameworks
 - WS-Addressing Specification
 - WS-Reliable Messaging Specifications
 - WS-Business Process Execution Language
 - WS-Choreography Definition Language
 - WS-Metadata Exchange Specifications

- There are two implementations of web services:
 - REST Web Services
 - SOAP web services

	REST	SOAP
Message format	XML, JSON	XML within SOAP
Interface definition	it is not necessary	WSDL
Transportation	НТТР	HTTP, JMS, FTP, etc.

Differences between REST and SOAP web services

- REST web services are based on Roy Fielding's Ph.
- REST-style, or RESTful, web services are referred to as RESTful
- They are based on a series of principles:
 - RESTful services are stateless. Each request from the client to the server must contain all the information necessary to understand the request, and cannot take advantage of any context stored on the server.

- Web services have a common interface. This usually means that the only operations allowed are those provided by the HTTP protocol:
 GET, POST, PUT and DELETE.
- REST architectures are built on resources that are uniquely identified by URIs. Thus, each URI represents a different function and, by extension, a different data.
- REST components manipulate resources by exchanging representations of them. Thus, information is exchanged in XML format.

Example of REST web service invocation:

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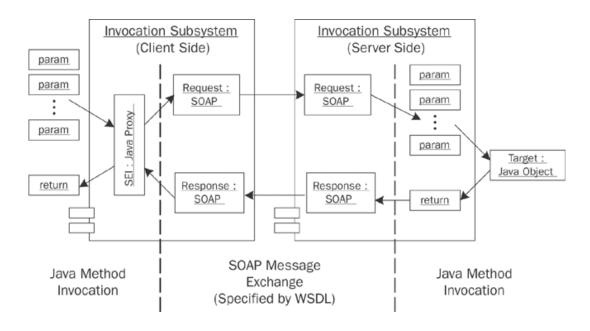
• Example of REST web service implementation:

```
public class Saluda extends HttpServlet {
  public void doGet(HttpServletRequest req, HttpServletResponse res)
  throws ServletException, IOException {
    String name = req.getParameter("name");
    String lastName= req.getParameter("lastName");

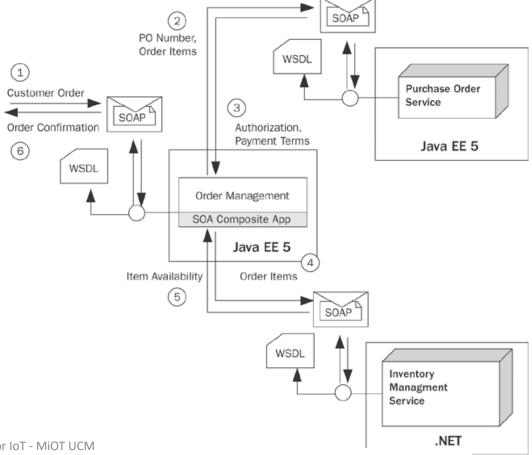
    GreetingWSB greetingWSB= new GreetingWSB();
    String reply= greetingWSB.greet(firstname, lastname);
    res.getWriter(). write(reply);
    }
}
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```

- The above example does not use Java-specific frameworks for the implementation of REST web services, such as:
 - JAX-RS (Java API for RESTful Web Services)
 - JAXB (Java Architecture for XML Binding)

- SOAP web services use SOAP to
 - Invoking web services described through WSDL interfaces
 - Encode the input and output parameters of the invoked service in XML format.
- They require a mechanism to translate:
 - Service requests in logic elements
 - Parameters of a programming language in other languages



SOAP web services invocation and response

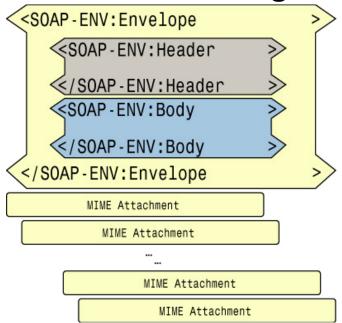


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Example of an application based on SOAP web services

• The basic structure of a SOAP message is:



Basic structure of a SOAP message

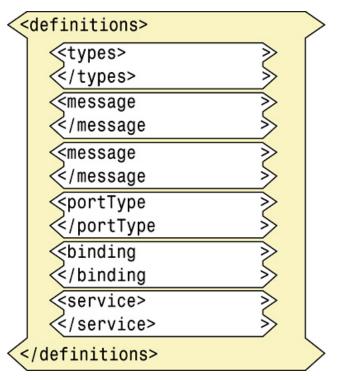
• Where:

- Envelope: it is the root element. It stores namespace and coding style information.
- Header: optional, but not usually omitted. They provide services to the cargo carried in the Body element.
- Body: is mandatory. Contains the payload of the SOAP message to be processed by the destination endpoint.

SOAP request example

Example of SOAP response

• The structure of a WSDL interface is:



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WSDL interface structure

• Where:

- definitions: is the root element and contains the elements that define a web service.
- types: acts as a container for data type definitions using XML schema definitions. These schemas define the data types of the information using message elements.

- message: these elements characterize abstract typed definitions of the exchanged data. These elements reference the data types defined in types
- portType: this element describes one or more set of abstract operations supported by one or more endpoints. It uses operation elements to describe these operations, which refer to the values defined in message to characterize the function parameters.

- binding: specifies a particular protocol for transport binding and a data format specification for a portType element. (Butek, 2005) is a good guide.
- service: identifies the web service in its name attribute. It models multiple web services through a collection of port elements, which indicate endpoints as a combination of transport bindings and network addresses.
 - port: provides the name and location of the system on which the web service is located. Models an individual web service

Example of WSDL interface:

Example of WSDL interface

```
< wsdl:portType name="Calculation">
        < wsdl:operation name="subtract">
            < wsdl:input name="subtract" message="tns:subtract">
      </wsdl:input>
            < wsdl:output name="subtarResponse"</pre>
message="tns:subtarResponse">
      </wsdl:output>
        </wsdl:operation>
        < wsdl:operation name="add">
            < wsdl:input name="sum" message="tns:sum">
      </wsdl:input>
            < wsdl:output name="sumarResponse"</pre>
message="tns:sumarResponse">
      </wsdl:output>
        </wsdl:operation>
</wsdl:portType>
```

SOAP vs. REST

- This is one of the most frequently asked questions in enterprise applications.
- The use of specific frameworks has brought the ease of use of REST much closer to SOAP, however it is easier to use SOAP services than REST, as long as the client language allows or facilitates it.
- Despite the use of frameworks, the SOAP middleware layer is more burdensome to applications than REST.

SOAP vs. REST

- Depending on whether REST is used (orthodoxly or flexibly),
 REST can perform only four types of operations or many. SOAP,
 it can always perform many
- SOAP and REST have transport layer (point to point) security using HTTPS
- SOAP has application layer security (end to end) and REST does not. However, it puts a lot of overhead on the server
- SOAP has distributed transactions and REST does not.





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