Leveraging Existing Systems into a Service Oriented Architecture

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Leveraging existing applications with SOA

First scenario (running example): Credit accepted



Second scenario: Credit rejected



- Business Scenarios Integration:
 - Automatic synthesis of the global view of the business process:
 - Generates the Behavior of the Global View of the Business Process



- Generates the Behavior of the Local View (Web Services) of a Trading Partner playing a Role in the Business Process
- Provides a consistent view of the contract among trading
 SendPurchaseC st



- Generating the Structure of the Local View (Web Services) of a Trading Partner
- Binds operations of a business process with messages
 - SendPurchaseOrderRequest with the message PurchaseOrderRequest
 - ReceiveOrderResponse with the message OrderResponse
- Binds operations with a port implementation (manual step)
 - SendPurchaseOrderRequest with the port pPOReq implented by the message queuing SPOReqBind
 - ReceiveOrderResponse with the port pOrderResponse implemented by the message queuing ROrderResponseBind



- Provides a UML platform for modeling:
 - Business scenarios
 - Business Processes
 - Business Documents
 - Web Services
- UML profile for
 - Modeling business documents
 - Modeling business document transformation
 - Modeling business processes
- Model-to-Text Transformation for the creation and the reverse engineering of the BizTalk schedule and XML documents





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- Major challenges faced by companies:
 - Aligning Business Processes with IT
 - Enforce Compliance
 - Eliminate Duplication in Business
 Functionalities Among Similar Systems

- Functional Architecture will help consolidate your application portfolio
 - System B is the strategic one
 - System Z is obsolete
 - System A and C will be phased out respectively Feature 3 and 1

Business	Existing System				
Feature	System A	System B	System C		System Z
Feature 1	Х	-	X		
Feature 2		Х	X		X
Feature 3	Х	Х			
Feature n		Х			x

Heterogeneity is permanent

- No consensus on hardware platforms
- No consensus on operating systems
- No consensus on network protocols
- No consensus on programming languages
- No consensus on Middleware
- No consensus on workflow engines
- Infrastructure software is permanently changing

Transition to SOA requires an Enterprise Service Bus



- Each node on the Enterprise Service Bus is:
 - Loosely-coupled with other nodes
 - Replaceable by one or more nodes compliant with its service interface and could have:
 - Different physical location
 - Different implemented technology
 - Different execution platform



- Web services orchestration can be implemented by:
 - Hard coding it in a programming language
 - BPEL workflow engine

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	Workflow	External			
	Engine	Trading			
		Partners			
Homogeneous	Vendor's offering	Vendor's offering			
Heterogeneous	Vendor's offering	Vendor's offering			

Good fit for UML

- Model-to-Model and Model-to-Text are applicable to any SOA environment
- Loosely coupled implementation for a single Business Process



Trading partners build Web services using a .NET or Java platform and different vendors for their workflow engine.



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- Business Process Execution Language for Web Services (BPEL4WS) had a major influence on UML 2.0
- Business Process Definition Metamodel(BPDM)
 Specification (revision state)
 - Is based on a constrained subset of UML 2.0
 - Mapping to Business Process Modeling Notation(BPMN) enables a friendly user interface over the standard look-and-feel of a UML 2.0 modeling tool to business users

- BPDM Specification should reuse the following UML
 2.0 subset:
 - UML 2.0 Activities and Actions are used for the business process definitions and choreographies.
 - UML 2.0 Collaborations and Roles are used to specify interaction patterns between partners.
 - UML 2.0 Templates are used to permit the use of templates in business process definitions.
 - UML 2.0 Composite Structures and Activities are used to represent composite business processes.



Key OMG initiative on SOA BPDM notation for a sub-process



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BPMN notation for a sub-process





"The significant problems we face cannot be solved at the same level of thinking we were at when we created them"

Albert Einstein





- Start leveraging your existing applications into a Service Oriented Architecture using a higher level of abstraction by:
 - Using a suitable business modeling platform for your environment (with or without BPMN) :
 - UML 2.0 with BPDM support (using a UML profile)
 - BPDM native support
 - UML 2.0 with BPEL4WS support (using a UML profile)
 - BPEL4WS support
 - Derive your service interfaces from your contracts which support your business processes.
 - Consolidate your application portfolio in order to map its business functionalities with your service interfaces.
 - Rely on MOF Query-View-Transformation specification for your Model-to-Model transformations.
 - Rely on MOF Model-to-Text specification for your Model-to-Code transformations.