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Embedded transaction container and JNDI

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This presentation explains the Embedded Transaction Container and JNDI services supported by IBM Lotus Expeditor Client for Desktops.

Goal

- Understand the embedded transaction container and Java™ naming and directory interface (JNDI) services provided by IBM Lotus Expeditor Client for Desktop

The goal of this presentation is to understand the Embedded Transaction Container and JNDI services supported by IBM Lotus Expeditor Client for Desktop.

Agenda

- JNDI
- Embedded transaction container

The agenda of this presentation is to explain the JNDI and Embedded Transaction Container services.

Section

JNDI

Let's start with an explanation of JNDI.

Java naming and directory interface

- Supports the JNDI API (J2SE 1.4)
 - ▶ javax.naming (access naming services)
 - ▶ javax.naming.spi (plug-in naming services)
- Delivers a lightweight JNDI provider
 - ▶ Simple hierarchical name space for client applications
 - ▶ No federation of other name spaces
 - ▶ Objects registered by JNDI name in JNDI registry
 - for example, java:comp/env/jdbc/dsname
 - ▶ Declarative JNDI dynamically adds and removes objects from registry
 - Implemented as Eclipse extension point
 - Enables faster platform startup time by “lazy” creation of objects on demand
 - ▶ Does not persist objects or state information across client platform restarts
- Enables applications to look up named objects (for example, EJBs and data sources)

The client platform provides a simple Java object JNDI registry that enables applications to lookup named objects (for example, EJBs and data sources).

The JNDI provider enables a local naming directory for objects running in the client platform to communicate using standard Java naming APIs. The runtime client JNDI implementation is very lightweight and does not support federation of other name spaces, rather it provides a simple hierarchical name space for client applications. In most cases, applications leveraging JNDI do not need to interact directly with JNDI Name objects and simply use String representations of the names to be bound or located.

The JNDI provider does not persist objects or their state information across platform restarts, so the platform administrator is responsible for binding the objects each time the platform starts and configuring those objects as needed before binding them into the JNDI registry. While the application itself could programmatically register the objects that it needs each time the platform starts, the client platform provides another declarative model for JNDI bindings. Objects that need to be bound into JNDI can be declared using Eclipse extension points, so that when a lookup request is made for a specific object using its JNDI name, the JNDI provider will locate the declarative definition, create the object and return it to the client application on-demand. This “lazy” creation of objects provides for faster platform startup and memory allocation based on actual need, rather than expected need.

JNDI object factories

- Used by JNDI provider
 - ▶ to create objects defined by extension points
- Defined factories
 - ▶ `com.ibm.pvc.jndi.provider.java.GenericObjectFactory`
 - Creates objects of any type
 - Calls methods on objects
 - ▶ `com.ibm.pvc.txncontainer.EJBObjectFactory`
 - Creates EJB objects
 - ▶ `com.ibm.pvc.txncontainer.TxnDataSourceObjectFactory`
 - Creates special type of data source for transaction container managed transactions
 - ▶ `com.ibm.rcp.ws.objectfactory.WSObjectFactory`
 - Provides a pre-initialized instance of Web services client stub for Apache Axis

The JNDI object factories are used by JNDI provider to create objects defined using extension points. The defined factories are listed on this slide and the next slide.

JNDI object factories (continued)

- Defined factories (continued from previous slide)
 - ▶ `com.ibm.rcp.ws.objectfactory.WSObjectFactory`
 - Provides a pre-initialized instance of Web services client stub for Apache Axis
 - ▶ `com.ibm.msg.client.JMSConnectionFactory`
 - Binds JMS administered objects to the Expeditor JNDI repository
 - ▶ `com.ibm.rcp.datatbase.core.ManagedDatasourceObjectFactory`
 - Declares a managed datasource to the database infrastructure
 - ▶ `Com.ibm.msg.client.JMSTopicFactory`
 - Allows additional topic properties to be specified
 - ▶ `Com.ibm.msg.client.JMSQueueFactory`
 - Allows additional topic properties to be specified

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JNDI binding extension point

- `com.ibm.pvc.jndi.provider.java.binding`
 - ▶ Defines an object that can be located using JNDI
 - ▶ References an object factory that knows how to create the object
 - ▶ Extension registry searched on lookup request

```
<extension point="com.ibm.pvc.jndi.provider.java.binding">  
  <binding  
    jndi-name="java:comp/env/jdbc/dsname"  
    objectFactory-  
id="com.ibm.pvc.jndi.provider.java.genericobjectfactory">  
  </binding>  
</extension>
```


JNDI generic object extension point

- **com.ibm.pvc.jndi.provider.java.genericobject**
 - ▶ Defines how to create object
 - object class
 - methods with parameters to call on object
 - ▶ Used for general data source objects

```
<extension point="com.ibm.pvc.jndi.provider.java.genericobject">  
  <object jndi-name="java:comp/env/jdbc/dsname"  
    class="com.ibm.db2e.DB2eDataSource">  
    <method name="setUrl">  
      <method-parameter type="String" value="jdbc:db2e:oedb"/>  
    </method>  
  </object>  
</extension>
```

This slide describes the JNDI generic object extension point.

JNDI object factory extension point

- **com.ibm.pvc.jndi.provider.java.objectfactory**
 - ▶ Defines an object factory that can be used to create objects
 - ▶ New object factory needed
 - for specialized object type
 - genericobjectfactory does not suffice

```
<extension point="com.ibm.pvc.jndi.provider.java.objectfactory">  
<objectfactory id="com.ibm.pvc.txncontainer.EJBObjectFactory"  
  
class="com.ibm.pvc.txncontainer.EJBObjectFactory">  
  </objectfactory>  
</extension>
```

While this capability is provided, it is not expected that you will create your own object factory instance.

Section

Embedded transaction container

Next, let's study the Embedded Transaction Container.

Embedded transaction applications Enterprise Java Bean (EJB) 101

- Types of EJBs
 - ▶ Session – Performs a task for a client (for example, add or remove a book from a shopping cart)
 - ▶ Entity – Represents a business object (for example, order) that exists in persistent storage (for example, database)
 - ▶ Message-driven – Acts as a listener for the JMS API, processing messages asynchronously
- State management modes for session beans
 - ▶ Stateful session beans – Maintains state for duration of client-bean session
 - ▶ Stateless session beans – Does not maintain state
- Persistence for entity beans
 - ▶ Bean-managed persistence (BMP) – Entity bean contains code to access persistent store (for example, database)
 - ▶ Container-managed persistence (CMP) – Enterprise bean container automatically generates the necessary storage access calls based on bean's deployment descriptor

The Embedded Transaction Container (ETC) provides the ability to deploy Enterprise Java Beans to the client platform. Before describing the details of the Embedded Transaction Container, here is a quick review of key concepts for Enterprise JavaBeans (or EJBs).

Embedded transaction applications Embedded transaction container (ETC)

- Supports this subset of the EJB 2.0 specification:
 - ▶ Remote and Local Homes for local EJBs
 - ▶ Stateless Session Beans
 - ▶ Entity Beans, both BMP and CMP at both the EJB 1.1 and EJB 2.0 specification levels (local homes, use of abstract persistence schema)
 - ▶ Container-managed transactions
 - ▶ Entity bean tool CMP support for container managed field types that implement `java.io.Serializable`.
 - ▶ CMP supports DB2e 9.1.1 and Derby™ 10.2
 - ▶ JDBC data source support
 - ▶ JNDI support
 - ▶ Container-managed Relationships
- Toolkit compiles an EJB into a deployable embedded transaction application bundle

The Embedded Transaction Container provides tools and runtime support for local Enterprise Java Beans. The Embedded Transaction Container supports a subset of features in the EJB 2.0 specification as shown in this slide. The toolkit compiles and packages an EJB into a deployable bundle, called an Embedded Transaction Application bundle. The Embedded Transaction Application can be deployed onto any platform that is supported by the Embedded Transaction Container.

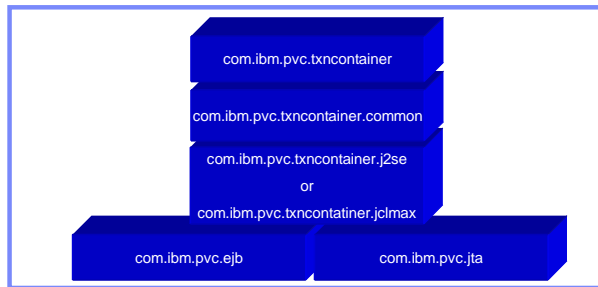
Embedded transaction applications ETC (continued)

- Does not support these features of the EJB 2.0 specification:
 - ▶ Stateful sessions beans
 - ▶ Pass-by-copy semantics for mutable serializable objects when running in a single address space
 - ▶ For EJB 1.1, the embedded transaction container does not persist references to an EJB's remote or remote home interfaces
 - This capability is not required for EJB 2.0
 - ▶ Message-driven beans
 - ▶ Java security support
 - ▶ EJB query language
 - ▶ Home methods
 - ▶ Bean-managed transactions

The Embedded Transaction Container is designed to be a light weight container, and, therefore, does not support certain features in the EJB 2.0 specification as shown in this slide. Keep these restrictions in mind as you develop your Embedded Transaction Applications.

Transaction container infrastructure

Transaction
Container
EJB 2.0 subset



Plug-in ID	Description
com.ibm.pvc.ejb	EJB APIs
com.ibm.pvc.jta	JTA APIs
com.ibm.pvc.txncontainer.common	Common classes shared between runtime and tools
com.ibm.pvc.txncontainer.j2se	JSR 169 JDBC interface (for device)
com.ibm.pvc.txncontainer.jclmax	Fully compliant J2SE JDBC interface
com.ibm.pvc.txncontainer	Transaction Container Implementation

This slide shows the Transaction Container infrastructure on the client platform, including the plug-ins (components) installed with the client platform and a description of each of these plug-ins.

Transaction container serviceability

- The embedded transaction container leverages JSR 47 logging to log all messages
- JSR 47 logging is the Expeditor platform runtime logging framework
 - ▶ Default settings
 - Logging turned on, default level is INFO
 - Tracing turned off
- Runtime logging and tracing levels can be modified by updating `rcpinstall.properties`

The Embedded Transaction Container incorporates logging and tracing for serviceability. JSR 47 logging is used to log all messages. Runtime logging and tracing levels can be modified by updating `rcpinstall.properties`. Details can be found in the guide *Developing applications for Lotus Expeditor*.

EJB packaging

- One or more beans exist in each bundle
- Definitions for JNDI binding generated by tools
- Bundle containing bean is started when bean lookup occurs

What is included in EJB packaging? One or more beans can exist in each bundle, definitions for JNDI binding generated by tools. The bundle containing the bean is started when bean lookup occurs.

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