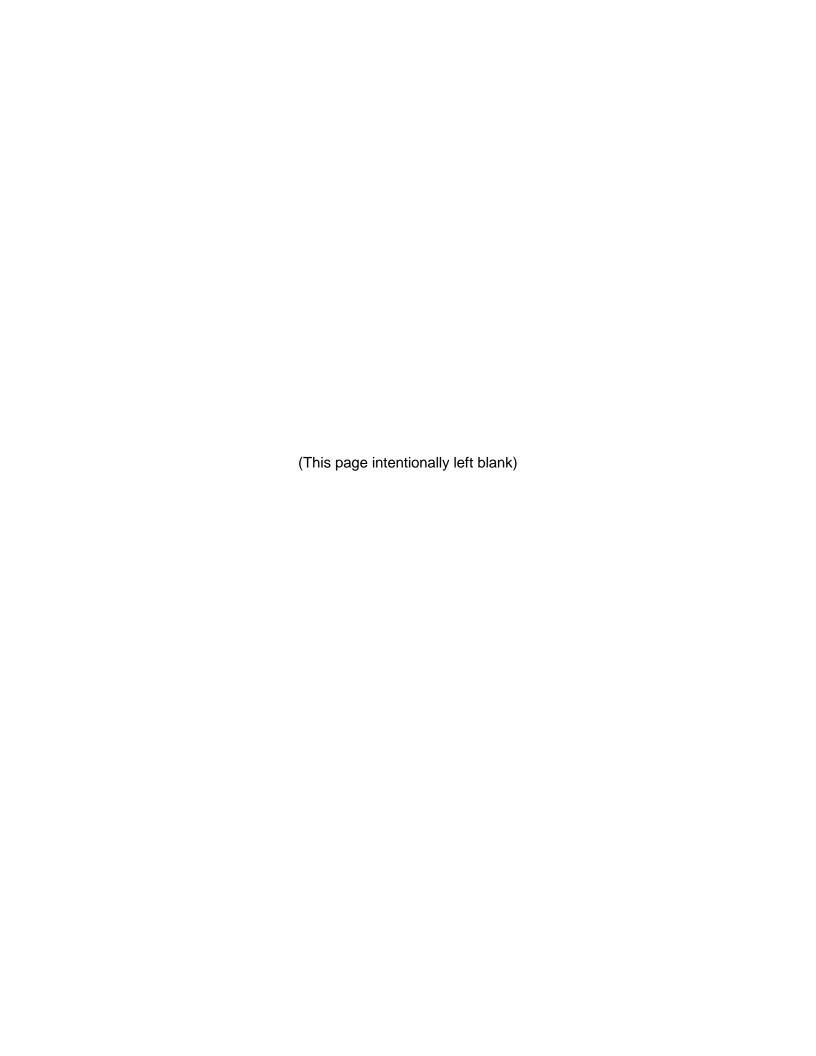
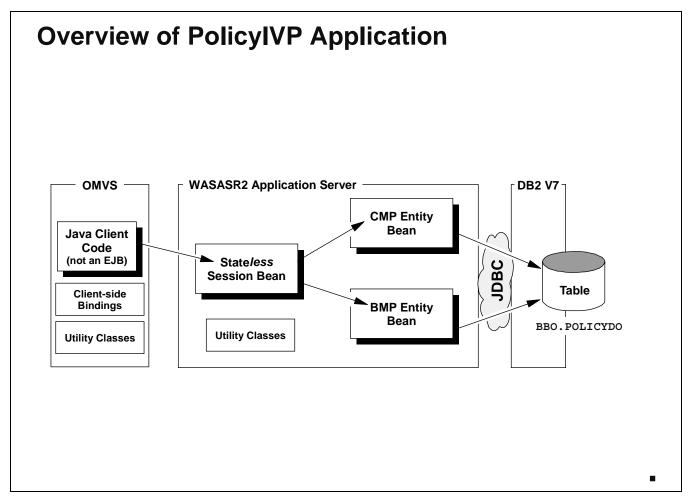


Introduction to PolicyIVP Construction Lab



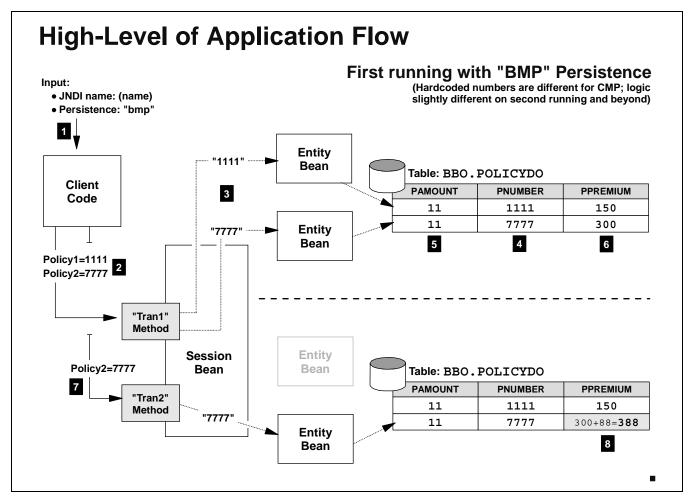


The "PolicyIVP" application is something shipped with the WAS 4.01 code and is used to verify the workings of your environment. The PolicyIVP application is a relatively simply application consisting of one session bean and two entity beans:

- Session Bean -- this bean is *stateless*, meaning that every time a client connects and invokes the bean, the state of the bean is the same each time. Each client will get a copy of the bean that is identical to every other client's copy of the bean. Since there's no state, there no need to maintain any persistence for the session bean. The session bean has no connection to the database; it's whole function is life is to perform the very limited logic of this application and to drive one of the entity beans to store or retrieve data.
- CMP Entity Bean -- this bean is used to represent a row from the database table BBO. POLICYDO. Each row in that table represents a different "policy" (such as an insurance policy of some kind). The CMP is invoked by the session bean whenever DB access is required and the client has requested that the CMP bean be used (the client passes a parameter requesting which bean to use; you'll see that in a few charts). This bean relies on the services of the EJB container to perform the JDBC connection setup and SQL statement execution. Access to DB2 is via JDBC.
- BMP Entity Bean -- this bean is also used to represent a row from BBO.POLICYDO. The difference between this bean and the CMP bean is that the JDBC connection setup and SQL statement execution is handled inside the bean. That means the developer of this bean had to provide that code. Because the bean itself manages the persistence, the name "Bean Managed Persistence" is applied. Again, just like with CMP, this bean is driven when the client requests that BMP persistence be used. Access to DB2 is via JDBC.

In addition to those three beans, there are a few other pieces that come into play:

- Client -- the application needs a client to drive the session bean, and this code provides it. The client code is *not* part of the EAR file you deployed earlier. It is shipped in one of the WAS HFS directories, and the shell script you invoked drove the code that was in that directory.
- **Utilities** -- a handful of utility class files are bundled up into a JAR file called PolicyUtil.jar. These utility class files are required by the beans to function. They are also required by the client.
- **BBO.POLICYDO** -- this is a DB2 table we created as part of the setup for this class. It's a very simple table consisting of just three columns. The application uses this table to maintain persistence of data entered by the client.



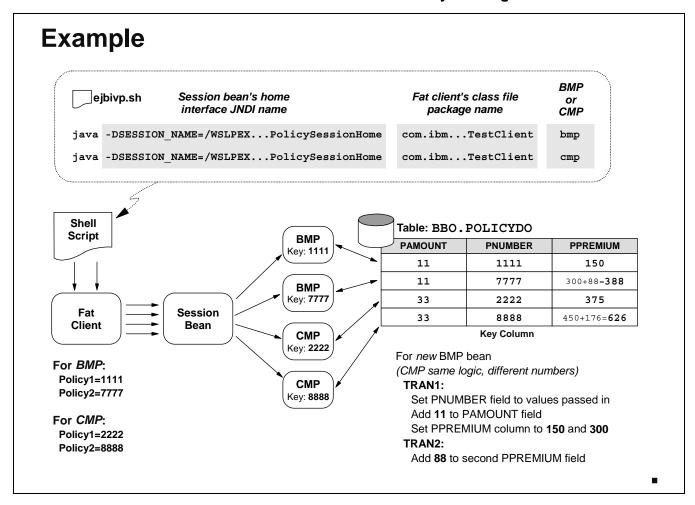
This chart illustrates what happens when you run the PolicyIVP application. This example illustrates the first running when "bmp" persistence is chosen.

Note: The hard-coded values used when "cmp" is the parameter passed in are different from "bmp". The logic is the same, though. Also, if the bean already exists (the row exists in the table) then the application simply adds a fixed value to the PAMOUNT column and that's it.

- 1. Client is invoked and takes as input two values: the JNDI name of the Session bean's home interface, and either "bmp" or "cmp" as the choice for which type of persistence is requested.
- 2. In this example "bmp" is chosen. The client code then performs a JNDI lookup of the session bean and then drives the "tran1" method, passing the fixed values "1111" and "7777" in as Policy Number 1 and Policy Number 2.
- 3. The session bean receives the input and turns to drive the BMP entity beans. Since this is the first running it need to create them, which it does. The creation of the entity beans results in the row being created in the database table.
- 4. The PNUMBER column serves as the unique index to that table, and the values 1111 and 7777 are placed in the column for each row.
- 5. The fixed value "11" is added to whatever is presently in the PAMOUNT column. On first running the column is empty, so the result is a value of 11 in the column for each row.
- 6. The fixed value "150" is inserted into the PPREMIUM column for the first Policy, and "300" inserted into PPREMIUM for the second Policy. The "tran1" method is now done.

- 7. The client now drives "tran2." It passes in only the second Policy Number, which is 7777. The entity bean already exists, so the session bean doesn't need to instantiate it.
- 8. The logic for "tran2" simply has the session bean add the fixed value "88" to the value found in PPREMIUM column. The result in that column after "tran2" is run is 388.

That is a high-level illustration of the running of this application.



Let's run through an example of a single invocation of the shell script:

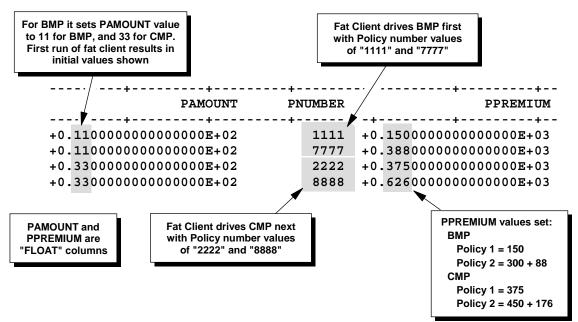
- The shell script is used to invoke the "fat client" twice: once with a parameter of "bmp" (to invoke the "bean managed persistence" entity bean function), and once with a parameter of "cmp" (to invoke the "container managed persistence entity bean function). The format of the shell script's entry that invokes the fat client is shown in the chart above: first the JNDI home interface of the session bean to which the fat client will connect is provided as a Java parameter, then the fat client itself is invoked, and finally the parameter "bmp" or "cmp" is provided.
- The fat client's purpose is rather simple: connect to the session bean, tell the session bean whether BMP or CMP persistence is desired, pass in two "policy" numbers, and drive the session bean's "tran1" and "tran2" methods. The fat client has hard-coded policy numbers in it: 1111 and 7777 for BMP, 2222 and 8888 for CMP.
 - So for the first invocation of the fat client, bean managed persistence (BMP) is requested. The fat client drives the "tran1" method of the session bean and passes in 1111 and 7777, and upon completion of that it drives "tran2" and passes in just the second number, 7777.
- On the first invocation with "bmp" requested, the session bean's "tran1" method is driven first with the numbers 1111 and 7777, and then with "tran2" just 7777 is passed in. For "tran1" the session bean first checks to see if the BMP bean with key 1111 and 7777 exists, and if not, it creates them. It sets the policy numbers of 1111 and 7777 as the entity bean's primary key class value (making them uniquely identifiable). For "tran1" it adds the value 11 to each bean's PAMOUNT value, then the values 150 to the first bean's PPREMIUM value and 300 to the second bean's PPREMIUM value. For "tran2" (remember, only the second value 7777 is passed in for "tran2"), the value 88 is added to the second bean's PPREMIUM. Thus ends the first invocation of the fat client.

The logic for the second invocation of the fat client -- with CMP persistence requested, is the same. The numbers are different, however. The policy numbers passed in are 2222 and 8888, and the amount added to the PAMOUNT column is 33 rather than 11. The amounts added to the PPREMIUM column is 375 and 450, and the value added in "tran2" is 176.

When all is said and done, the database table $\verb"BBO"$. $\verb"POLICYDO"$ is left with the values shown in the chart.

The Database Table

What's in BBO.POLICYDO after one *successful* run of "fat client":



Message: contents of DB represents persistence. Two forms: CMP and BMP. Fat client used both to get four policy numbers along with payment amount and premium values into database

The previous two charts made mention of the database table BBO. POLICYDO. Here's what that table looks like after one run of the fat client code. The PNUMBER column contains the policy numbers passed in by client and is the key. Numbers in this column must be unique. The column is defined as INTEGER. The PAMOUNT (payment amount) and PPREMIUM (policy premium) columns are defined as FLOAT columns. The statements used to create this table are:

```
CREATE TABLESPACE POLICYTS

IN BBOMDB01

SEGSIZE 4

LOCKSIZE ROW

CLOSE NO;

CREATE TABLE BBO.POLICYDO

(

PAMOUNT FLOAT NOT NULL ,

PNUMBER INTEGER NOT NULL ,

PPREMIUM FLOAT
, PRIMARY KEY
( PNUMBER ))

IN BBOMDB01.POLICYTS;

CREATE UNIQUE INDEX POLICY01

ON BBO.POLICYDO (PNUMBER ASC)

CLOSE NO:
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The fat client drives the sessin bean twice: once for BMP and once for CMP. From this picture you can see the resulting information in the table. You can also see the evidence of the fixed numbers employed in the session bean. The purpose of showing you this is to make the application and its actions "real." The whole EJB thing might be somewhat mysterious, but a real DB2 table is something for which many will have familiarity.

The Client Code ejbivp.sh shell script Shell script drives the client ... com.ibm.ws390.samples.ivp.client.TestClient code twice: once requesting ... com.ibm.ws390.samples.ivp.client.TestClient cmp BMP, the second time requesting CMP else if (args[0].equals("bmp")) { System.out.println("******** bmp bean will be run!"); Inside the client code the policyNo1=1111; values for the two policy policyNo2=7777; numbers are set according to else if (args[0].equals("cmp")) { what persistence type System.out.println("******** cmp bean will be run!"); requested (BMP or CMP) policyNo1=2222; policyNo2=8888; System.out.println("Lookup policy session home"); java.lang.Object objHome = ctx.lookup(homeName); Lookup of session bean's home interface performed (based on parameter passed in from policySession=home.create() shell script; detail of that not shown policySession.tran1(args[0],policyNo1,policyNo2); here) policySession=home.create() policySession.tran2(args[0],policyNo2); System.out.println(args[0]+" IVP has completed successf Finally, it creates an instance of the policySession object and drives the session bean's "tran1" and "tran2" methods, passing in the parameters as shown

Now let's take a look at the Java source for the "fat client." This code came straight out of VisualAge for Java. Not all of the client's source code is represented here; this is just a few snippets.

- You start with what the shell script will send when it invokes the session bean. There are two lines
 in that shell script that invoke the bean, so it's actually driven twice. The first time the BMP bean is
 requested and the second time the CMP bean is requested.
- In the client's source you'll see where the two policy numbers are being set based on hard-coded numbers. For BMP the values are 1111 and 7777; for CMP the values are 2222 and 8888.
- A little further down the client does a lookup for the session bean's home interface based on a
 variable called "homeName." That variable is set based on the string passed in from the shell
 script. That detail is not shown here, but the point is the client must first find the session bean's
 home interface before it can create an instance of the bean and drive it.
- Once the session bean is "fluffed up" (an instance created), the bean's "tran1" method is driven
 with the choice of BMP or CMP passed in as args [0], and the two policy numbers set earlier
 passed in as well.
- After "tran1" is driven, "tran2" is driven, this time with the CMP/BMP choice passed in and just the second policy number.

If all goes well, you get the message indicating things ran successfully.

The Session Bean

This example shows the session bean driving the BMP entity bean. Session bean logic to drive a CMP bean identical. (This code taken from "tran1" method of "PolicySessionBean" EJB)

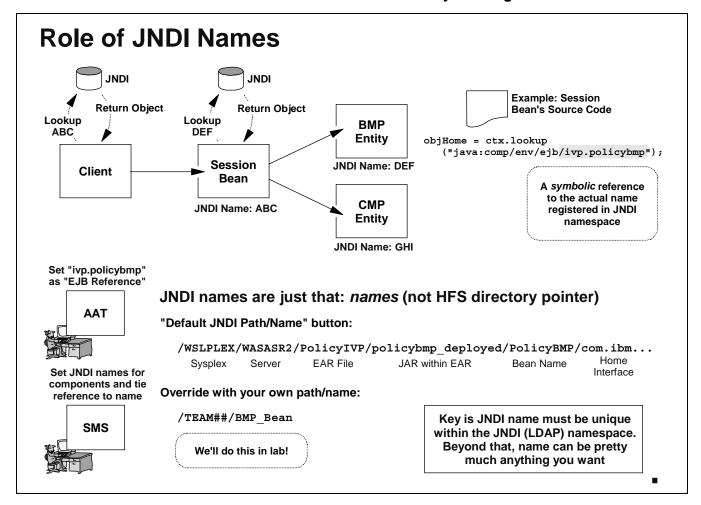
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if (beanType.equals("bmp")) {
                                                                        Using java:comp to look
  System.out.println("Running a bmp bean");
                                                                        up the BMP bean's home
  com.ibm.ws390.samples.ivp.ejb.PolicyBMPHome home= null;
 com.ibm.ws390.samples.ivp.ejb.PolicyBMPKey key1 = null, key2 = null
                                                                        interface. Name shown
  com.ibm.ws390.samples.ivp.ejb.PolicyBMP policyBean1 = null, policyB
                                                                       here must match what you
  System.out.println("Lookup bmp policy home");
                                                                               set in AAT
  try {
   objHome = ctx.lookup("java:comp/env/ejb/ivp.policybmp");
System.out.println("Finding bean1 - " + ((new Long(policyNo1)).toString()));
 key1 = new com.ibm.ws390.samples.ivp.ejb.PolicyBMPKey(policyNo1);
   policyBean1 = home.findByPrimaryKey(key1);
                                                           Checking to see if a bean
  catch (javax.ejb.ObjectNotFoundException e) {
                                                             with the same Policy
  try {
                                                            number exists. If not, it
   System.out.println("Bean1 does not already exist, cre
                                                                 creates one.
   policyBean1 = home.create(policyNo1);
System.out.println("Adding 11 to the amount for both beans ");
 policyBean1.setAmount(policyBean1.getAmount()+11);
                                                                       Once the bean has been
 policyBean2.setAmount(policyBean2.getAmount()+11);
                                                                       located (or created), the
 System.out.println("Setting premium for bean1 to 150");
 policyBean1.setPremium(150);
                                                                       values are updated. This
 System.out.println("Setting premium for bean2 to 300");
                                                                         results in updates to
 policyBean2.setPremium(300);
                                                                        BBO.POLICYDO table.
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Here's what the session bean contains. Again, this is just a snippet from one method of the PolicySessionBean:

- The client passes in the BMP/CMP parameter and this drives the session bean down a certain code path. This example is showing the BMP path. Then the session does a java: comp lookup on the entity bean's home interface. This is worthy of note because the assembly of the application (using AAT) must set the "reference name" values equal to what's being called out in the code itself. You'll get a chance to see that in the lab later.
- Once the home interface has been located, the bean checks to see if the request is for a new bean
 or one that already exists. If it doesn't exist, the "create" method is driven to create a new instance
 of the bean with a key value equal to the policy number passed in. (This example shows only one
 policy number check, but in reality the session bean does this twice: one for each policy number
 specified by the client).
- Finally, the session adds the fixed value 11 to the PAMOUNT field for each new record (in the case
 of a BMP; 33 for a CMP) and then sets the PPREMIUM value to 150 for the first bean and 300 for
 the second (again, in the case of a BMP; the CMP has different static values).

The setting of the values in the DB2 table is *not* done by the session bean. The session bean invokes the methods of the BMP or CMP *entity* bean to do that.

Before we look at the entity beans, let's look at this "JNDI lookup" thing.



When one component of a J2EE application needs to make contact with another component, it first needs access to the target component's "home interface" object. In the picture above, the client will need access to the home interface of the session bean, and the session bean will need access to the home interface of the BMP bean and the CMP bean. It gets access to the home interface by doing a JNDI lookup of the bean's interface. A lookup results in a copy the object being returned to the requesting component.

To do a lookup, the component doing the lookup needs to know the JNDI name of the target component. Every EJB component will have a JNDI name associated with it, and JNDI name is registered in the "JNDI namespace" (which for WAS/390 is implemented using LDAP). Your code could have the JNDI names hard-coded, but that's not a good practice. Hard-coded references limit the portability of the code. A better practice is to use a symbolic reference in the code, and that's what's used in PolicyIVP with the "java:comp" lookup. In this example, the source code for the session bean looks up the BMP bean with a symbolic reference of "ivp.policybmp."

JNDI doesn't have a clue about "ivp.policybmp" ... it's a symbolic used in the source code only; it is *not* registered in JNDI. So what's the connection? When you assemble an application using AAT you create an "EJB Reference" naming the symbolic used in the code and connecting that to the class name of the target bean's home interface. But that's only half the story. When you deploy the application using the SMS EUI, you specify a JNDI name for each component and tie the symbolic to the JNDI being referenced. When the application is deployed the components are registered into the JNDI namespace with the JNDI names given, and the application can now use its symbolic lookup and have it result in a lookup using the real JNDI names.

Is there any magic to the JNDI names you set? Not really. They're just names. The key is they must be unique within the JNDI namespace. One way to set to the JNDI names is to make use of the

"Default JNDI Path and Name" button of the SMS EUI. That will set a JNDI name for you, and it will insure uniqueness by structuring a JNDI name with the various components shown in the chart. That's a perfectly acceptable thing to do, and many people will do just that.

But using the default button is not required, and the path and name does not need to be as complex as is generated with that button. In the upcoming lab we'll have you set the JNDI path as TEAM## (where ## is your team number) and the JNDI name as the name of the bean (BMP_Bean in this case). You could make it ever shorter than that: "X". The trouble with really short names is it makes it hard to insure uniqueness. Typically the JNDI path/name pair will be something longer than a few characters.

Note: One shortcoming of setting your own names -- as opposed to using the default button -- is that the SMS tool has no way of knowing if the JNDI name you set is already registered in LDAP. If you provide a name that's already registered, the "naming registration" phase of deployment will fail. You can then change the name and try again, but that takes time. Consistent use of the "default button" avoids this problem.

The BMP Bean

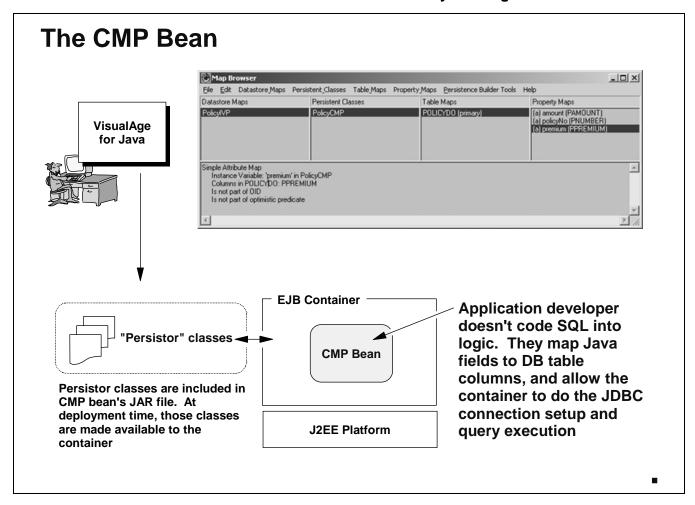
From getConnection() method of PolicyBMPBean: Using java:comp to look up the J2EE JDBC resource. Name shown here must match what you set in AAT

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if (ds == null) {
  ctx = new InitialContext();
  try {
  ds = (javax.sql.DataSource) ctx.lookup("java:comp/env/jdbc/policy");
}
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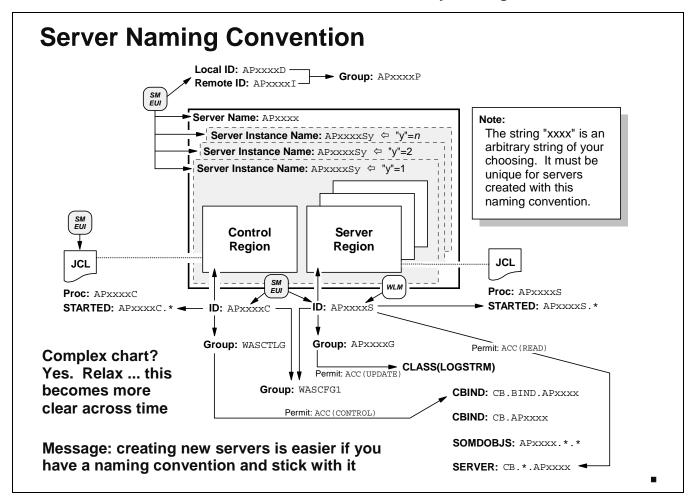
From ejbStore() method of PolicyBMPBean:

Here's what the BMP bean is doing (again, just a snippet of the total source code):

- In the case of a BMP, the bean itself is responsible for the management of the persistence. Therefore, one of the first things it must do is find the datasource to which it'll connect. In this case the datasource is named <code>jdbc/policy</code>, and a <code>java:comp</code> lookup is used to find it. Here's another case where the settings you provide in the AAT tool must match what's called out in the actual code. In the lab that follows you'll set a value for the "reference name" for the BMP resource, and there you'll name <code>jdbc/policy</code>. Set it different and the bean won't find its datasource.
- The ejbStore() method is illustrating how an update to the table is being made. First a connection is established, then the SQL is constructed, the values for the SQL update are set and then the statement is executed. This is pretty much just like what you'd do in Java code outside the world of EJBs. Because this is a BMP, the management of the connection and the SQL statements is the responsibility of the bean itself, which means the developer must make it all happen.



The CMP bean is different. The developer coding up the EJB using VisualAge for Java uses database mapping tools within the VAJ product to map Java field names to columns in the database. Information about the database columns is provided (type, whether its a key, etc.). VAJ will then generate "persistor" classes -- compiled Java code that will perform the connection work to the datastore. These persistor classes are bundled up in the CMP beans JAR file, but at deployment time those classes are made available to the EJB container in which the CMP bean is deployed. The bean doesn't do "get connection" and "SQL statement preparation" work. It simply calls a method related to the database field it wants to affect, and the underlying container does the work, based on what's in the persistor classes generated by VAJ.



This chart is provided just as a reference sheet. It illustrates the relationship between the various components of the new J2EE application server you will create and all the names associated with it.

The new server region you will create will be called APSRV3. It's control region will be called APSRV3C, and its server region will be called APSRV3S. You'll create one "instance" and it'll be called APSRV3S1. Do you see the connection between all those names? They are all based on the naming convention of APXXXX, where AP is a fixed two letter prefix (standing for APplication server), and XXXX being a four character string of your choosing.

Is there magic in this naming convention? No. But having a naming convention will help you considerably when it comes time to perform the various WLM, JCL and RACF work necessary to set up the environment. With a naming convention in place, these other tasks can be done in a more automated fashion. Without a naming convention, you would have to rely on your brain to keep the mappings straight in your mind. You have enough things stuffed in there; there's no reason to add to the confusion.

The picture above looks like a complex chart. It is initially. But as time goes by you will come to see how the naming convention of APXXXX will tie all the pieces of the puzzle together.

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