

This presentation looks at the application models today in the 5250 environment and in the Web environment. It then looks at the user interface definitions for the Web. Instead of DDS, HTML files or Java server pages to define the user interface are used. To call programs on the iSeries from a Java program, an XML language called PCML is used to describe the interface between the Java program and the iSeries program. The presentation looks at the WebTools provided in WDSc and walks through a scenario that describes the steps to create a simple interaction, that has an input screen asking for a customer number and that fetches the data from the iSeries data base by calling an RPG program.

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In today's application model, the program drives the user interface, the program waits for input, after the input is received it presents a new panel and waits for input again.



- ► In the Web the user interface is presented by a browser not a 5250 device.
- The user requests services from the server.
- ► The server program responds to the various requests.
- There is 3 tiered application divided in:
- User Interface (jsp's)
- Controller logic running in an application server (servlets)
- ► Business logic running on a business server RPG/COBOL/C/C**/JAVA running on iSeries



- On the bottom of this slide the tools to develop the different pieces of a 3 tiered application are listed. All these tools are included in the WDSc package.
- WebTooling addresses the Web user interface and the deployment of applications
- Java tooling is to write the middle tier Java servlets
- ► iSeries RPG/COBOL/CL/DDS tooling is to help create the business logic





- Java Server Pages are the way to define the dynamic Web user interface.
- Historically, the first step was to use CGI bin programs to serve dynamic web pages which have a limit in scalability and are not very straight forward to use to define the user interface.
- The first attempt to move away from CGI bin programs was to move to servlets and mix the user interface definition and controller logic in the servlet.
- It turned out not to be a very good way to work because of the mix of UI definition and logic.
- In todays environment, the user interface definition is moved out of the logic and stored in separate JSP files, these files contain html tags to describe the user interface and they also contain small pieces of Java code to add dynamic content to the user interface.
- The jsp's get converted to servlets at runtime and the Java code gets executed on the server before the resulting html tags get sent to the browser.

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- ► Shows an example of an html file that contains a form that invokes a jsp on the server.
- The form tag in html is used to pass data from the Web page to the server. It is also used to indicate that a program should be invoked on the server instead of serving just a simple request for a new Web page.
- ► The result of this simple html file being rendered in the browser is shown in slide.
- Note an entry field "type text", which has the Name name and the push button "type submit" to submit the request to invoke the MyFirstjsp.jsp on the server and pass the data in the entry field to the server.



- ► Shows the jsp that will get invoked from the form on the previous slide.
- There are normal html tags and there is some Java code included inside the <% %> Java tags
- If the entry field is empty when the request gets submitted, "Hello World" gets displayed in the resulting Web page
- ► If there is data in the entry field "Hello and the value in the entry field" are displayed











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Now you understand how jsp's and servlets work. The next slides define the interface (signature) of an iSeries program to make it easy to call it from Java.

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 Here, the RPG program to call expects one parameter, that is defined as a data structure. The data structure contains 2 fields: Number and Name



- ► This slide shows the definition of this interface in PCML.
- ► First on top is how the structure is defined
- ► It has a name "custinfo" in this case and 2 fields are defined inside the structure
- ► These are the fields Number and Name they have the same data definition as in the RPG program on the previous slide.
- Also the number field gets intialized with a value
- At the bottom of the slide the name of the program and where it is located on the iSeries is defined. Also defined is to pass the structure as a parameter



- ► Here is the sample code in Java that now allows the use of the PCML interface description of our RPG program.
- In Java the interface description in the PCML file is used and along with a call the program described in the PCML file.
- This code will call the RPG program, it will pass a customer number to the RPG program which will fetch the corresponding customer name from the database

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Here is an example of running the example and getting a customer name for the default customer number back. Note that to access the iSeries program requires the user to logon to the iSeries with a normal authentication dialog.



 Next is Web applications, since we now understand how to define the interface of an iSeries program in XML and how to use the XML definition in Java



- ► Here is the Web Application folder structure.
- ► The Web application will run in an application server.
- ► The application server expects the application to conform to certain standards in the way its files are stored.
- ► The slide shows the standard for the J2EE Spec 2.2
- WAS 5.0 implements this standard and the Web tools in WebSphere Studio will generate and work with Web applications conforming to this standard.



 Shows an example of the Web application folder structure and where in this folder structure the files of a Web application have to be stored



- A Web Archive (WAR) file, is a file that can store a full web application in a single file similar to a ZIP file, storing the web application makes it easy to move it around and deploy it to different servers.
- The application server has the capability to take the WAR file and create a web application inside the application server from it.



- An EAR file takes the concept of a WAR file one step further and stores multiple WAR files (Web applications) in one EAR file
- EAR files can also directly be installed in WebSphere Application Server 5.0



- Now that we know what it takes to build a Web application let's look at what the WDSc tooling can do to make the creation of Web applications easier
- Not to worry if this all sounds too complicated, the WDSc tools help by creating most of the pieces of a Web application.



- ► In WebSphere Studio, the Web developer has a full suite of tools to support him
- When creating a Web project, it is created with the correct folder structure to comply to the J2EE standard
- Also a there are specific iSeries tools provided to help with creating the interface description of programs or service programs on the iSeries.
- ► The tools also allow to reference iSeries data base fields and to use these in the web

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- ► This slide shows the different components that support the creation of Web Applications on an iSeries server.
- ► The workbench integrates all the different tools
- ► Page designer allows WYSIWYG user interface composition for both html or jsp definitions
- Wizards allow you to get started fast on your Web project
- Specific iSeries tools help you to exploit the content of your iSeries server



- ► Here is a sample of the Web project wizard
- It will guide the user through specifying the information necessary to create a Web project, based on this information a Web project infrastructure will be created.
- This base Web project can then be filled with content
- ► It can be tested directly in the Studio test environment or can be deployed in EAR files to remote servers.


- Here is a sample of the Web Perspective which contains the tools a Web developer needs. In this example, the Page Designer tool, file view, and a view of multi media files shows.
- Perspective's can be tailored to individual needs.





- An Interaction is defined as an Input Page which allows data input, this data is submitted to a server and processing of the request is done on the server. The server will then respond with serving a result page. The content of the result page is based on the data on the input page
 The combination of the Input Page and the Output page with the Server in the middle handling the
- dynamic requests is called an Interaction.



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 You can create a Web application based on a Struts infrastructure



- Here we specify what server our Program or Server Program resides on
- Which Userid / Password we want to use to start a job on our server
- Also this dialog allows us to add specific libraries to the job environment if this is needed for the Interaction



 The iSeries Web Tools Run-time Configuration wizard captures information such as server name, userid, password and library list used by Web applications



 JCA Program Call connector provides a standard interface to call any *PGM, based on the J2EE Connector Architecture



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- First we want to build a user interface for a simple input page
- We select to create a new jsp file. This will automatically invoke the Page Designer



- ► This slide shows the Page Designer tool, which can be used to enhance the user interface.
- ▶ Putting a nice background to the page and changing some of the fonts will increase the look of the Web page.
- ► We also add a form tag to our page and an iSeries entry field and an iSeries push button.
- These iSeries controls are specific controls that inherit some of the capabilities of 5250 parts that normal html controls don't provide.
- ► For example the capability of referencing iSeries data base fields and the capability of specifying edit codes.



 Here is a list of all the iSeries special controls provided in the WDSC tools. Notice that even a subfile has been added to the list.



- ► We just looked at the input screen for our little application.
- ► This slide shows the Output or result screen.
- ► It uses reference fields from the iSeries database.
- The application will send data from the entry field on the input page to an RPG program, which will extract data from the data base and pass this data back
- The resulting data will be displayed on this page



- This slide shows the RPG program that gets invoked
- A customer number is used to specify which customer data should be displayed. The first parameter custnoi will contain the customer number.
- The data structure CSTRUC will contain the full customer data passed back to the Servlet running in the Application server which will invoke the result jsp to show the data
- ► The parameter return, contains information whether the access to the data base was successful or not

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 Here is a description of the files used in this sample application.





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 VCTs can be used and rendered in the HTML Designer.

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 VCTs provide the controls such as textField, label, dropDown, pushButton, and so on.





- This slide shows that we have a choice of having the Interaction Wizard create our User Interface or design it ourselves.
- ► In this example we decide to design the page ourselves. use Page Designer to add a background and heading.
- We add a form tag to the Input page. The form contains an entry field for data entry and a submit push button to send a request with the data in the entry field to a server.

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- After finishing our Input page, we are ready to start the Interaction wizard
 This slide shows that we need to specify the Interaction name and go on
- to the next page.

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- ► Shows the next page of the wizard. On this page we need to specify the interface to our program on the iSeries
- The wizard will generate PCML out of this information
 We need to specify the program to call, with information which library the program resides in
 We could also specify to call a procedure in a Service program.



- Then we need to specify the parameters expected by the program
- If the parameters are data structures we can define these here as well
- All parameters can be defined by using reference fields

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- This page allows you to specify which entry field on the Input page contains data for which parameter
- Entry fields and parameters with the same name are linked together

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- ► Now the result page has to be defined.
- Automatically all output parameters are shown in the result page, if the page is generated by the wizard
- To deselect fields from being included on the result page, just uncheck them in the list on the left side of the dialog





- This slide shows what we just did and what gets generated:
- The output (result) page jsp
- The PCML to describe your iSeries program
- A servlet
- The Form tag on the input page gets updated with the information which servlet to invoke when the submit push button is pressed
- ► We only have to write the RPG program.



- To test this, we can select our .jsp input page in our Web project in the Web perspective in the workbench
- ▶ Right mouse click on it and select Run on Server from the popup window
- The built-in WAS test environment will start
- ► The built-in browser will show the input page
- Key in a valid customer number
- Press the Submit push button
- The customer number will be sent to the RPG program
- ► If the number was valid the customer data stored in our data base will be displayed



The WebSphere test environment provides a fully functional test bed for Web applications without having to setup WAS on a remote server.



Here we are, the Result page is displayed



 Web Interaction wizard now generates a Web application based on a Struts runtime



 Struts-based Model View Controller that allows you to map out and visually construct Web-based applications



- Wizards make it easy to 'wrapper' existing iSeries programs as Java Beans and/or Web Services. This lets the iSeries developer access these programs from a Java application, a Web application, or include them as the base for a Web Service.
- Extensions to the Struts builder make it easy to visually construct Web applications based on the open-source Struts standard that accesses iSeries programs
- Visual Custom Tags bring some of the power of DDS to Web pages




 WDSC is keeping up with industry standards, most of which IBM wrote or contributed heavily to





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