Java and the Wild Wild Web

Crash Course No.1

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- Java and Web Speak – A quick translation
- EJB's (Enterprise Java Beans)
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The Web's Impact on the DB2 Techie

- **Opening up to the big wide world**
  - Traditional users → internet users
  - 24x7 is critical
  - Recoverability (application and disaster recovery)
  - Data Sharing
  - Lots of new performance tuning opportunities!!
- **E-business is about integration**
  - 20-30 years of IT investment on the mainframe
  - Leverage your existing IT assets
  - 70 – 80% of world's data reside on IMS and DB2

The Web's Impact on the DB2 Techie

- **How often do you re-boot your mainframe ?**
- **30 years of solid infrastructure**
- **Takes less Man power to manage a mainframe**
  - How many people does it take to look after a mainframe vs 1000 servers?

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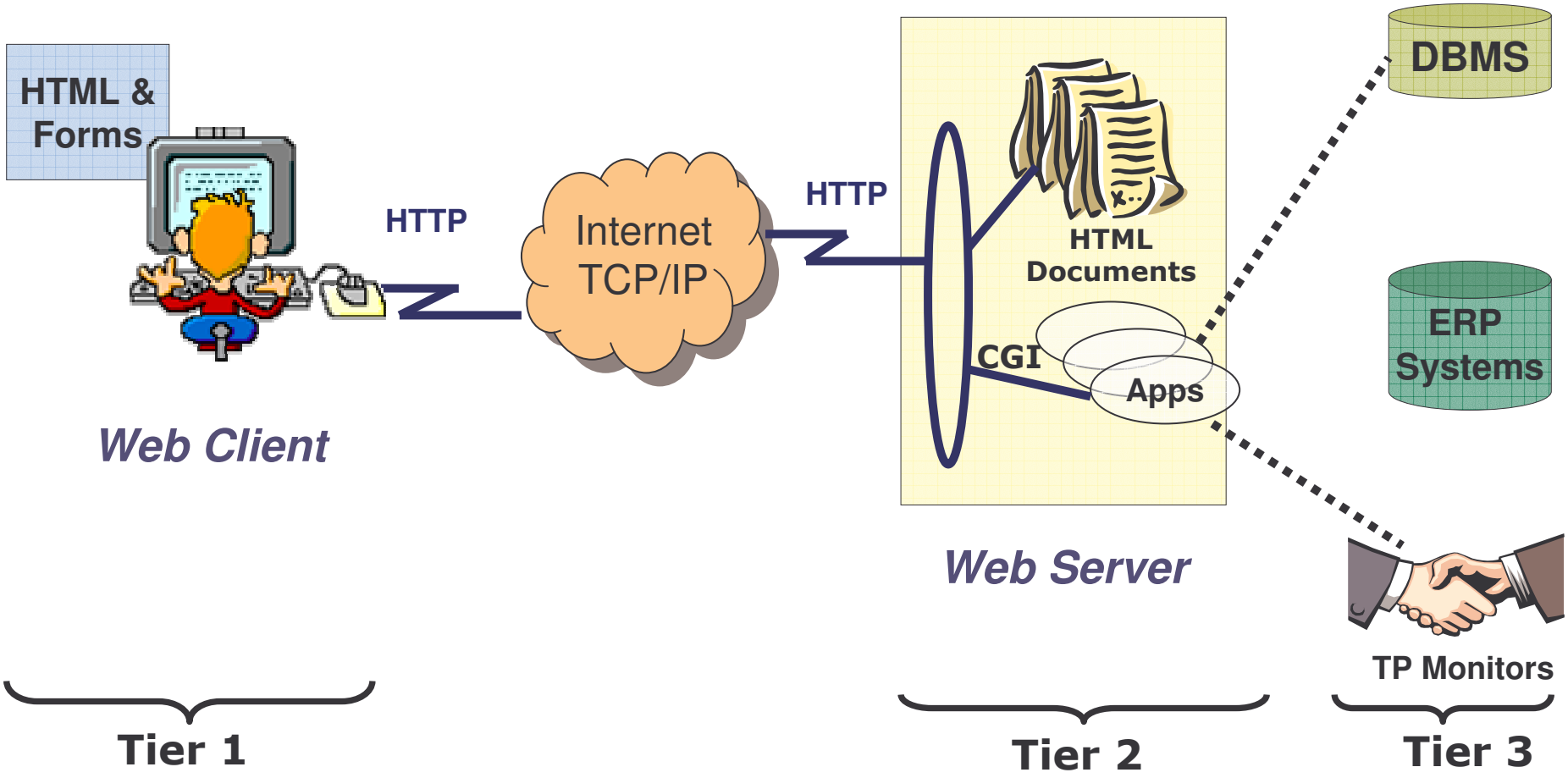
Web Components



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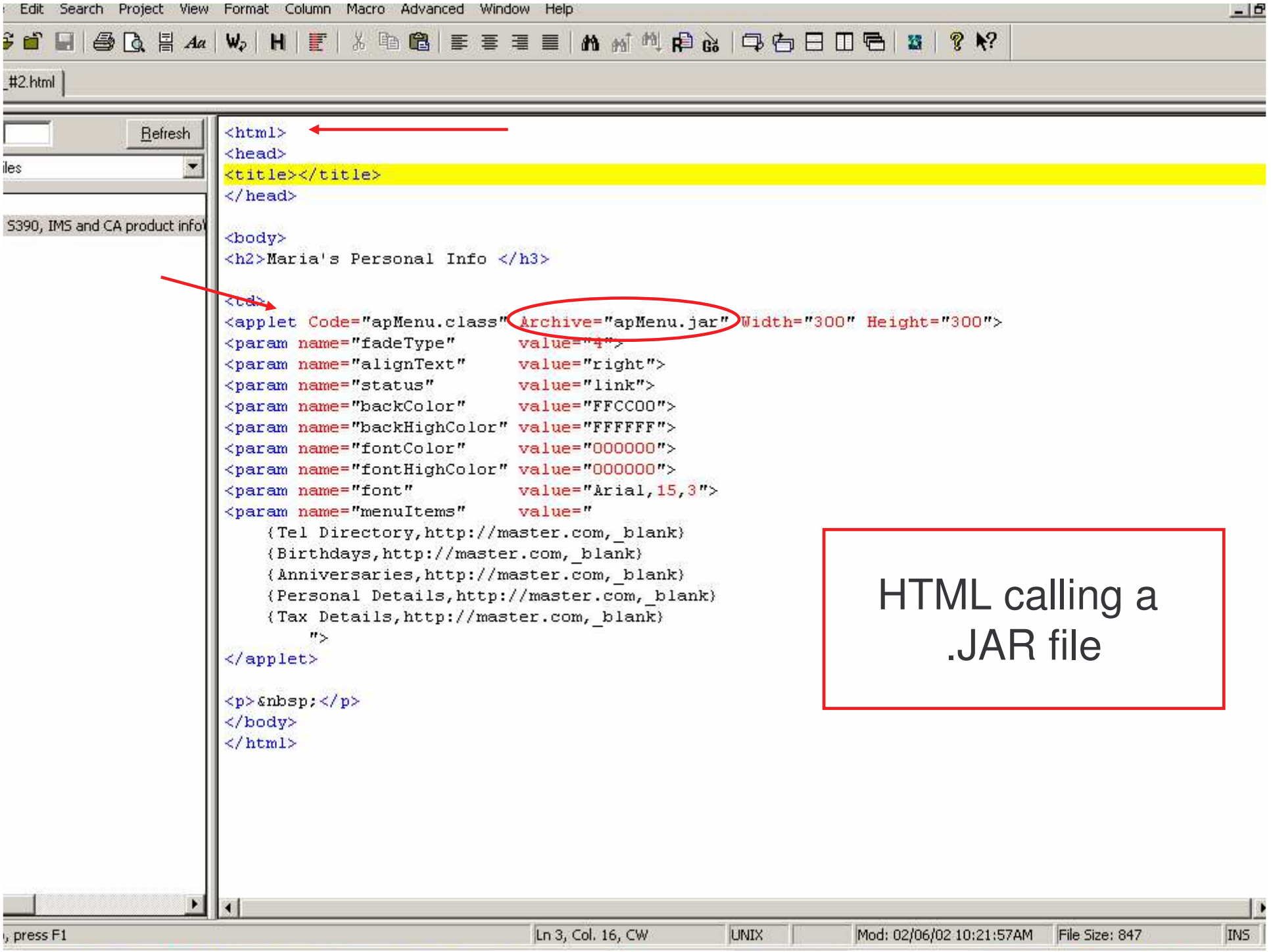
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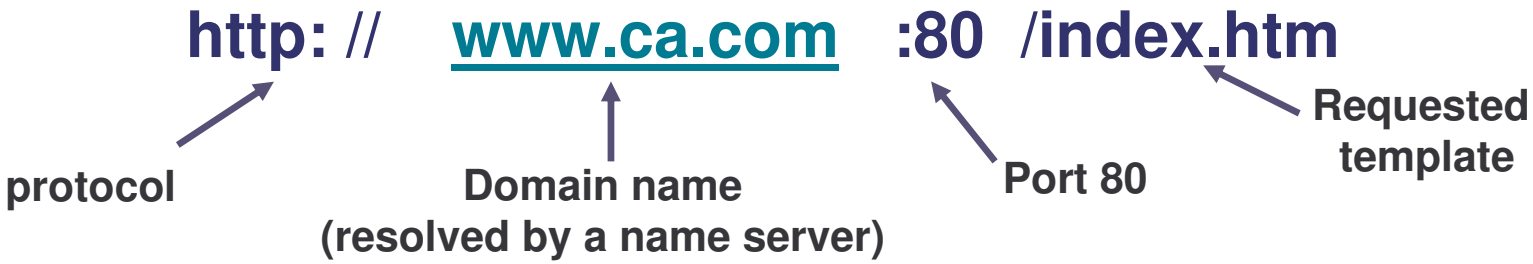
URL (uniform resource locator)



- Global address for documents and other resources on the world wide web (www)
- Browser breaks the URL into three parts
  - Protocol (http, ftp , Gopher, FTP, News, Mailto etc …)
  - Server name (www.ca.com)
  - File name
- Browser then “talks” with a name server to translate the server name into an IP address

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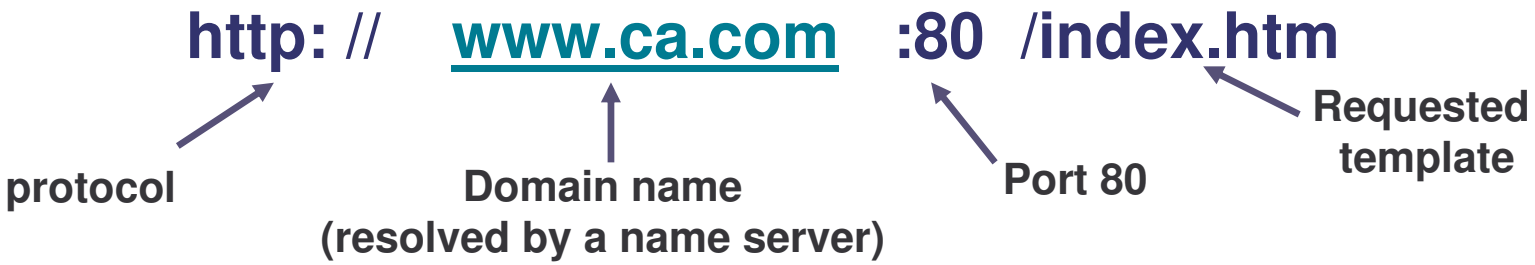

- Browser then connects to the web server at the IP address using Port 80
- The browser using the HTTP protocol, sends a “get” request to the server for file “www.ca.com/index.htm”
- The server then responds to the browser, by sending the HTML text for the web page
- The browser reads the HTML tags and formats the page on the browser screen

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HTTP and HTTPS

- **HTTP**
  - Application level protocol for distributed, collaborative, hypermedia information systems
  - It is generic and “stateless” object-orientated protocol
    - “stateless” means it does not keep track of connections
  - Based on a request/response system algorithm
  - Web browsers use HTTP to communicate with Web Servers

- **HTTPS**
  - Secure Sockets Layer provides security
    - Many web sites use SSL to get confidential info eg. credit card numbers.
    - URLs that use an SSL connection start with *http**s**:* instead of *http*:

CGI (Common Gateway Interface)

- Specification for transferring information between the www and CGI program
- A CGI program is ANY program designed to accept and return data that conforms to the CGI specification.
- The program could be written in any programming language ie. C, Perl, Java, Visual Basic
- CGI programs are the most common way for Web servers to interact dynamically with users
- Many HTML pages that contain forms, use a CGI program to process the form's data once it's submitted
- The use of CGI is a *server-side* solution because the processing occurs on the Web server
- One problem with CGI is that each time a CGI script is executed, a new process is started. For busy web sites, this can slow down the server noticeably
- A more efficient solution is to use Java Servlets

Object Orientated Programming

state

- Amphibian
- Eat insects
- Four legs
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- Little girls hate them

behaviour

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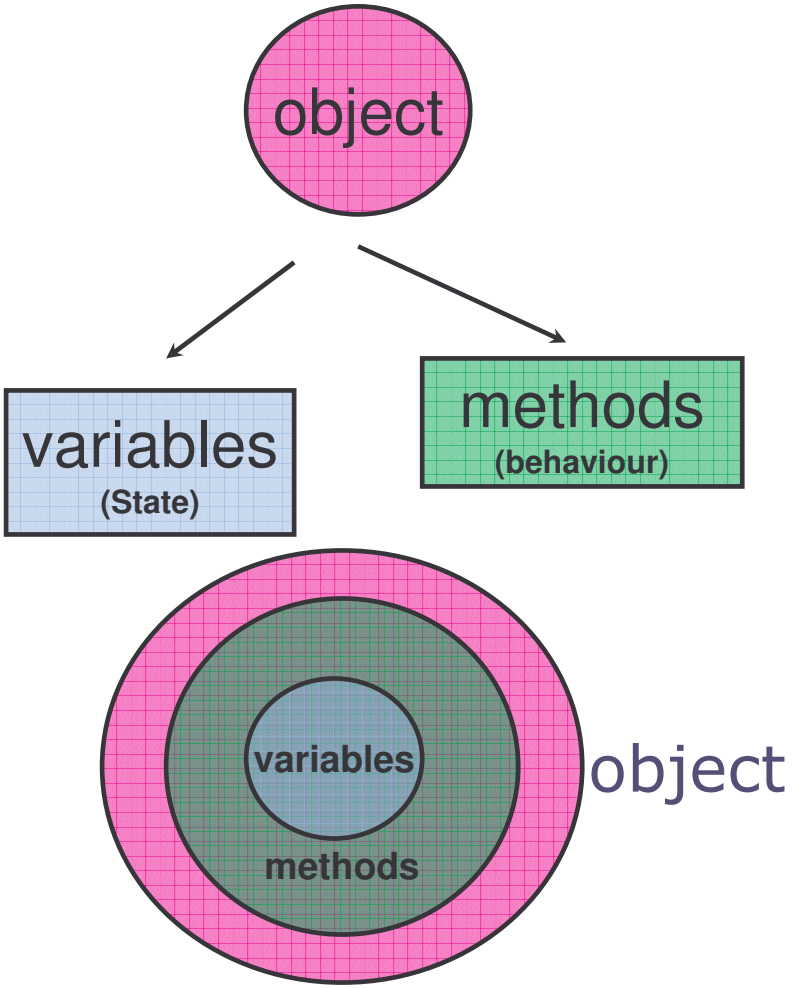

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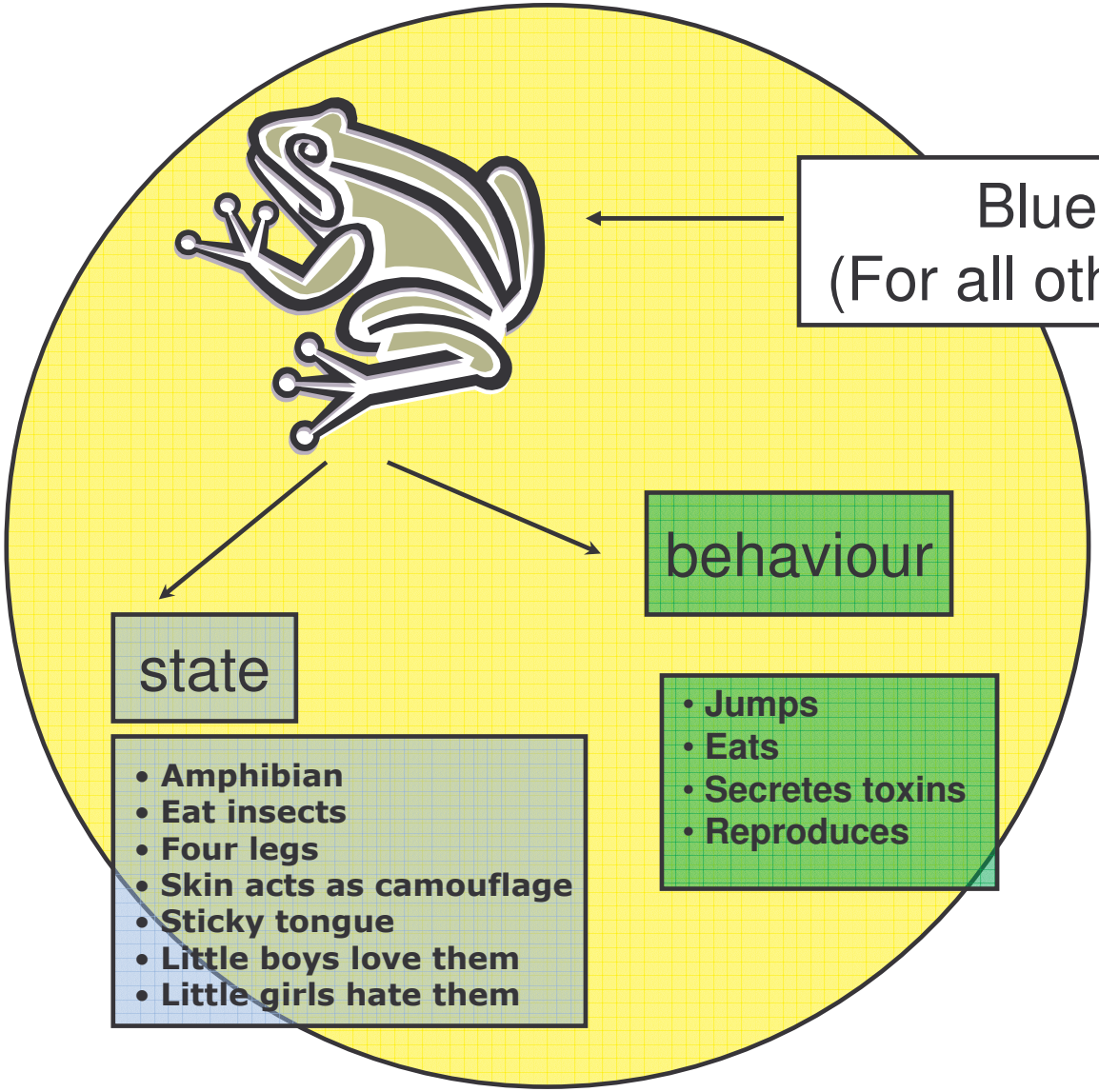

Blueprint
(For all other Frogs)

= CLASS

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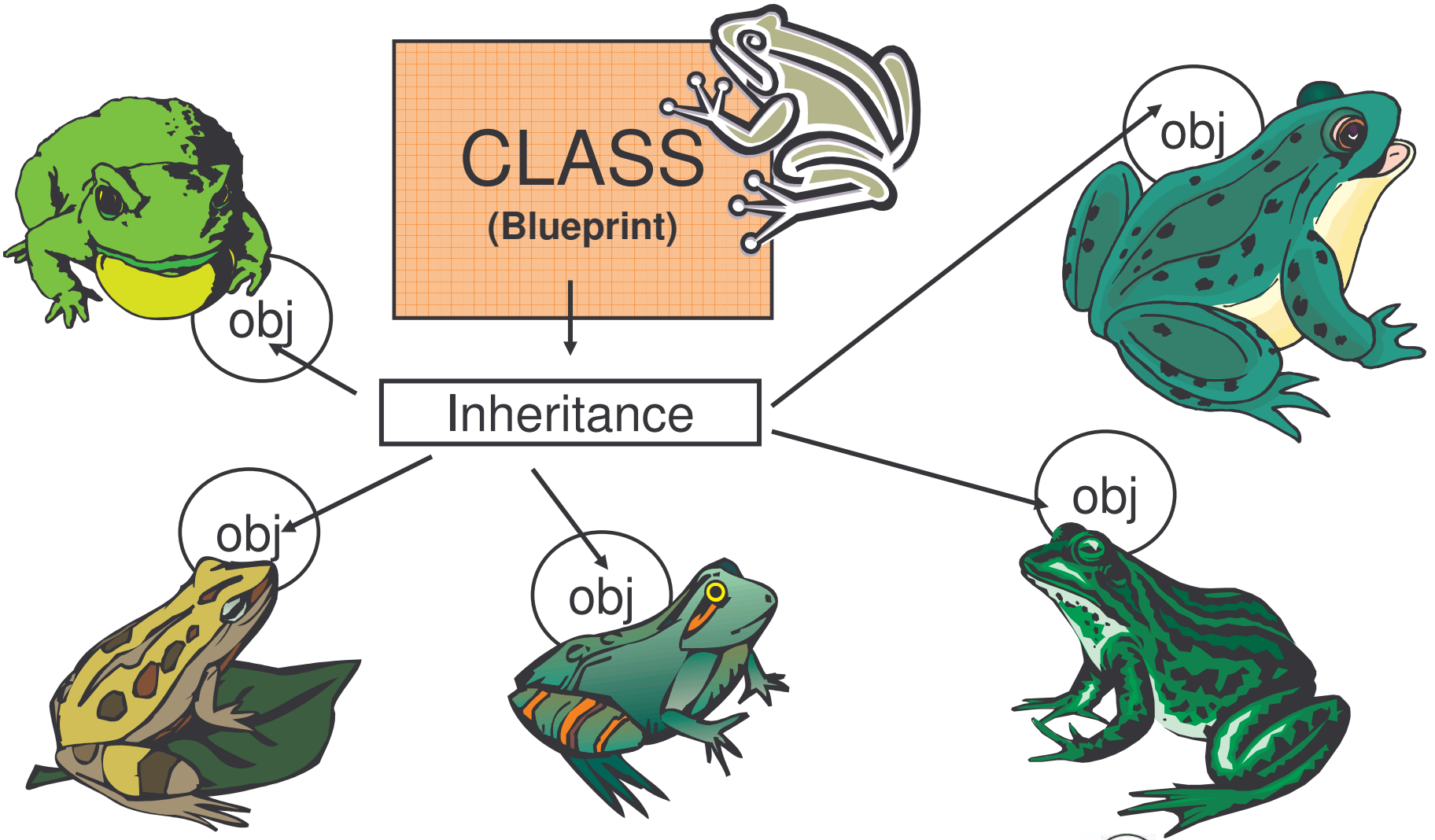

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JavaScript and Applets

- **JavaScript (Netscape) and JScript for (Microsoft)**
  - Cross Platform object-oriented language
  - Ability to interact with HTML forms
  - Validate user input
  - Improve client side performance, by reducing the number of requests flowing over the network
  - Not recommended to use JavaScript/JScript on the server side due to variations between Microsoft and Netscape

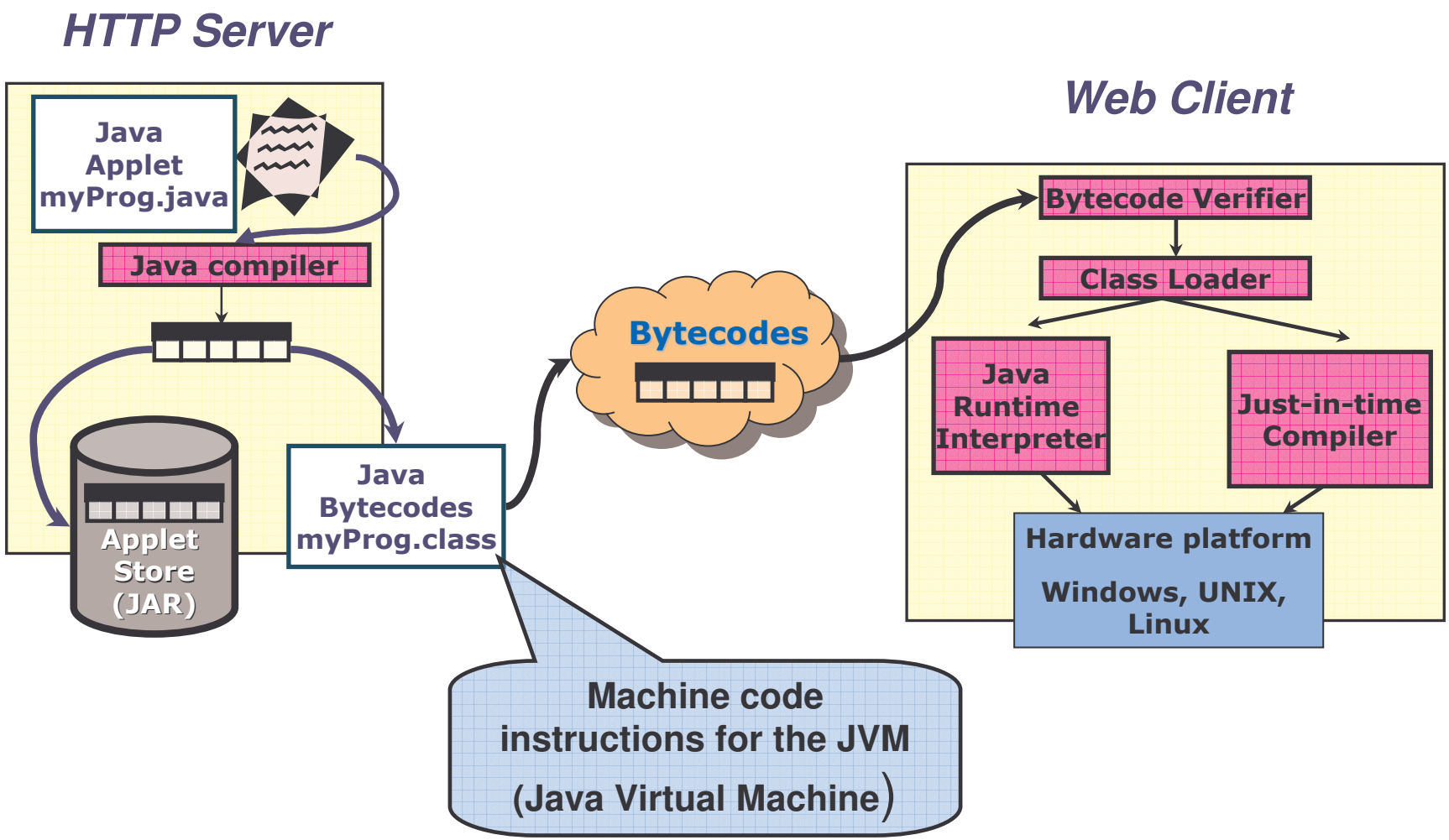
- **Java Applet**
  - Java program downloaded from the web server and runs on the browser
  - Applets rarely consist of one CLASS file
  - JARs (Java Archive File) – packages the class files into one package (hence reducing the number of requests to the server)

Servlet, JSP (Java Server Page)

- **Java Servlet**
  - Replace CGI based techniques in web programming
  - Only run on Web Server

- **JSP (Java Server Page)**
  - Simplify the process of creating web pages
  - JSPs contain HTML
  - Insert dynamic content into web pages. For example
    - Answer to a search
      - (All book titles beginning with “Once upon a time”)
    - List the last ‘n’ products viewed
  - Contain some Java code which encapsulates the logic and generates the page content
  - The java code, may call “beans” to access re-usable components and back-end data

Java Bytecodes



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CORBA and LDAP

- **CORBA (Common Object Request Broker Architecture)**
  - Set of conventions, standards and protocols for interprocess communication
  - Developers can write applications for many different Operating System's at once in any number of languages
  - Any application that matches that has the defined interfaces and protocols is allowed to communicate with another CORBA implementation

- **LDAP (Lightweight Directory Access Protocol)**
  - Repository to retrieve data, resources, addresses etc.
  - These repositories are known as "directories"
  - Finding information for distributed systems without directories would not be easy
  - Each vendor may implement their own version
  - X.500 (adopted by ISO – International Standards Organisation) is a directory standard of choice

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What is an EJB ? (Enterprise Java Bean)

- **Emerging as the preferred architecture for Java programmers**

- **EJB extends Java with the following:**
  - Security
  - Transaction management
  - Remote method invocation
  - Service improvements

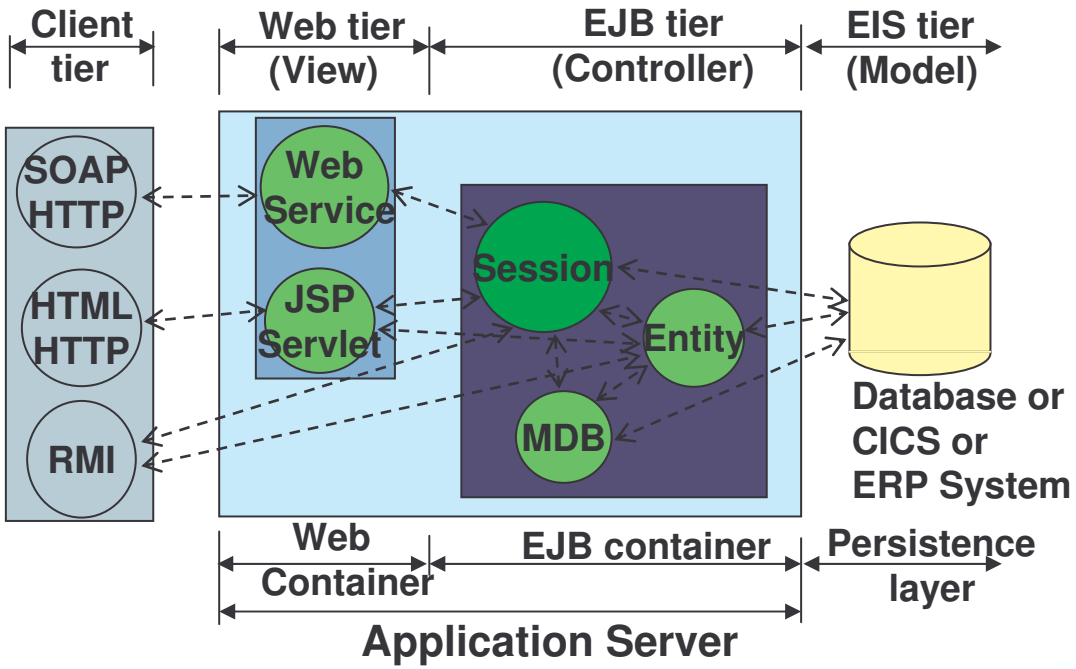
- **What do EJB's provide?**
  - Unparalleled portability
  - Supports CORBA standard
  - Provides connectors with existing programs/data
  - Access to local and remote objects/methods

What is an EJB ? (Enterprise Java Bean)

- **In a nutshell …**
  - Portability
  - Standardisation
  - Keep business logic and SQL “inside” the firewall
  - Separate the business logic from the system support side
  - Give you an “object view” of the data

Application Servers

- convergence of component based systems and OLTP monitors
- Connection pooling for external resources.
- EJBs placed in container that conforms to standard
- application server provides services to container
- EJB runs in any application server that conforms to J2EE.



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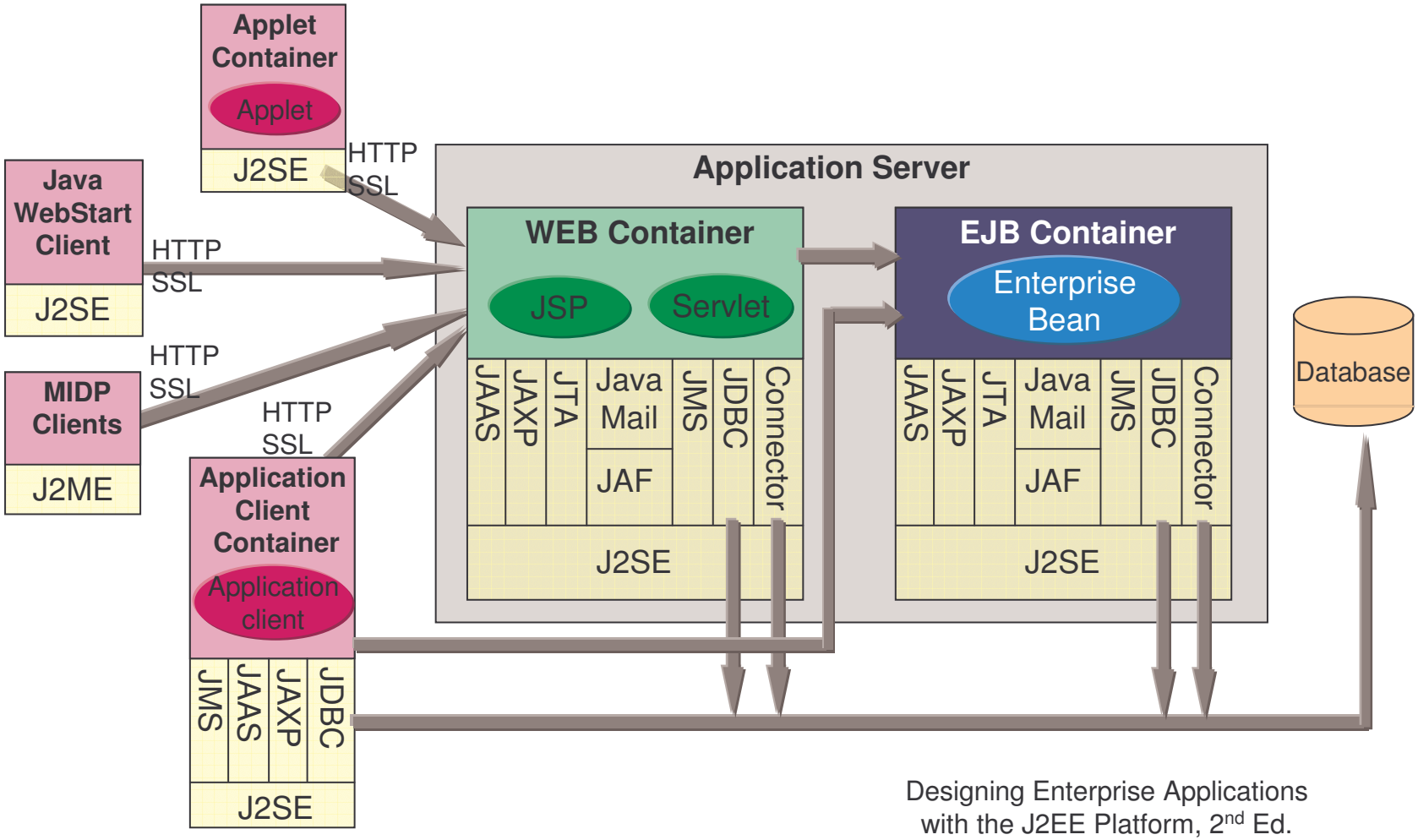
J2EE Components and Containers



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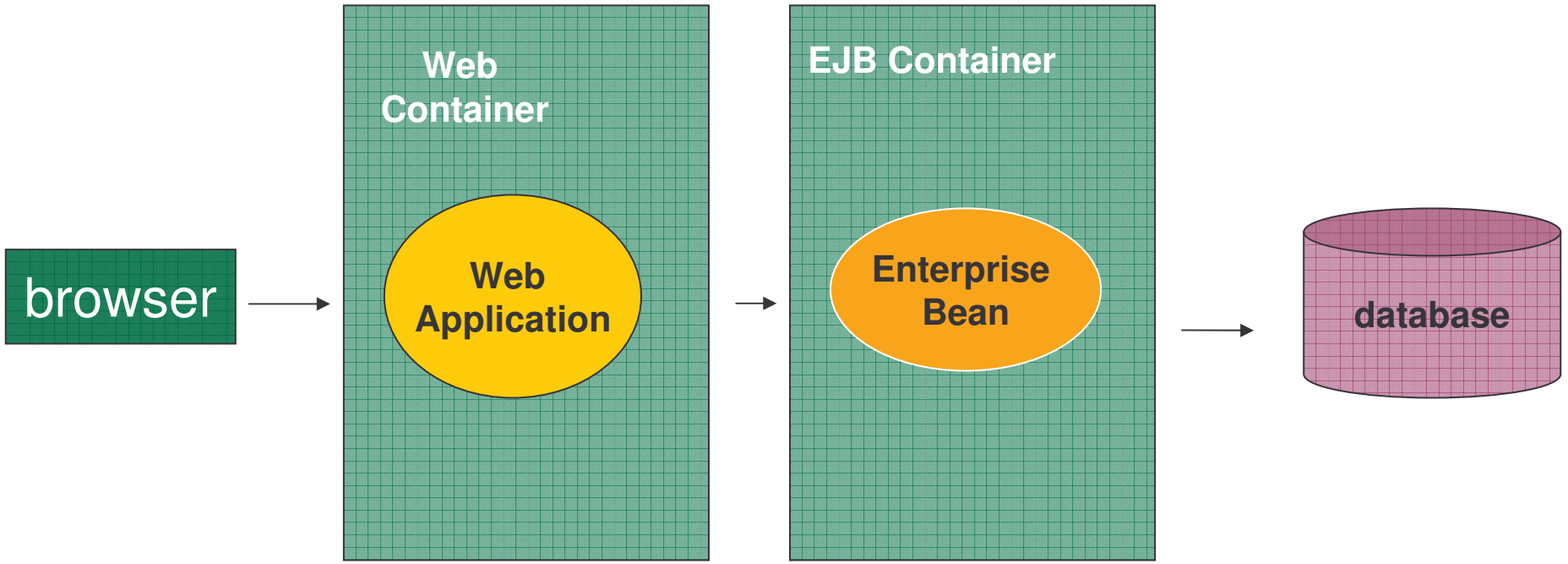
J2EE Containers

- Standardized runtime environment that provides services to components.
  - performance impact in how it provides those services
- Abstract all resource access.
- You code to the J2EE standard.
- EJB communicates with the container.
- Don't care how app server implements resources such as persistence, transactions, security.
- Drop your EJB into the container, and the app server handles connection to the implemented resource.
  - Auto-generates a substantial amount of code
- Provides automated life cycle management.
- "Specialised containers can provide additional services beyond those defined by the EJB specification"
  - EJB 2.0 specification 4.1.1

EJB Architecture



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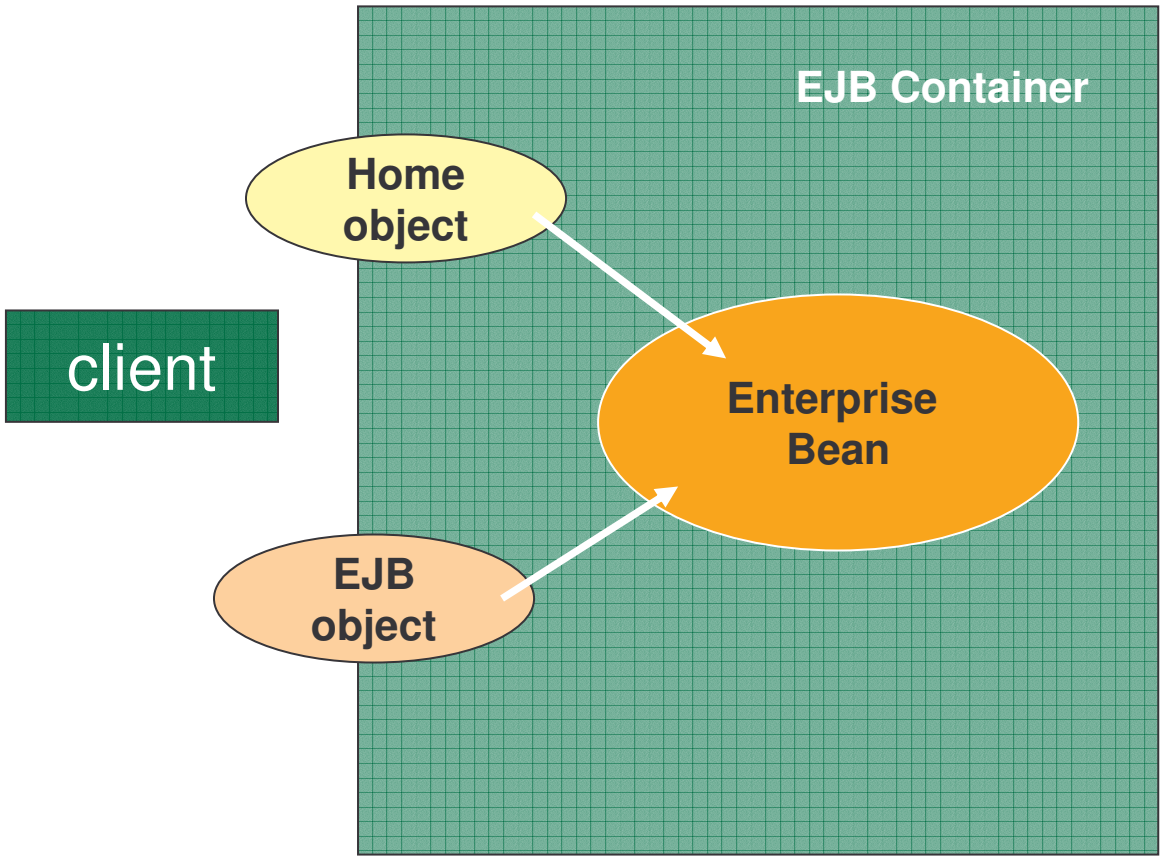
EJB Architecture

The client can only see the home and remote interfaces of the EJB

Access to an EJB is done through JNDI (Java Naming Directory Interface)



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EJB Architecture - 4 Components

- **EJB client** ***(component - No.1)***
  - Process that requires the service provided by the bean
  - Client does not need to store the location of the EJB

- **Application Server** ***(component - No.2)***
  - Provides ALL the underlying services required by the EJB. These include :
    - *Transaction Services*
    - *Naming Services*
    - *Database Access Services*
    - *Security Services*
    - *Life Cycle and thread management services*

EJB Architecture - 4 Components

- **EJB Container** ***(component - No.3)***
  - Provides the environment in which the EJB runs. The container manages the following:
    - *Advertising the EJBs are available in this container*
    - *The Life Cycle of the EJB*
    - *Persistence of the EJBs*
    - *Authenticating Clients*

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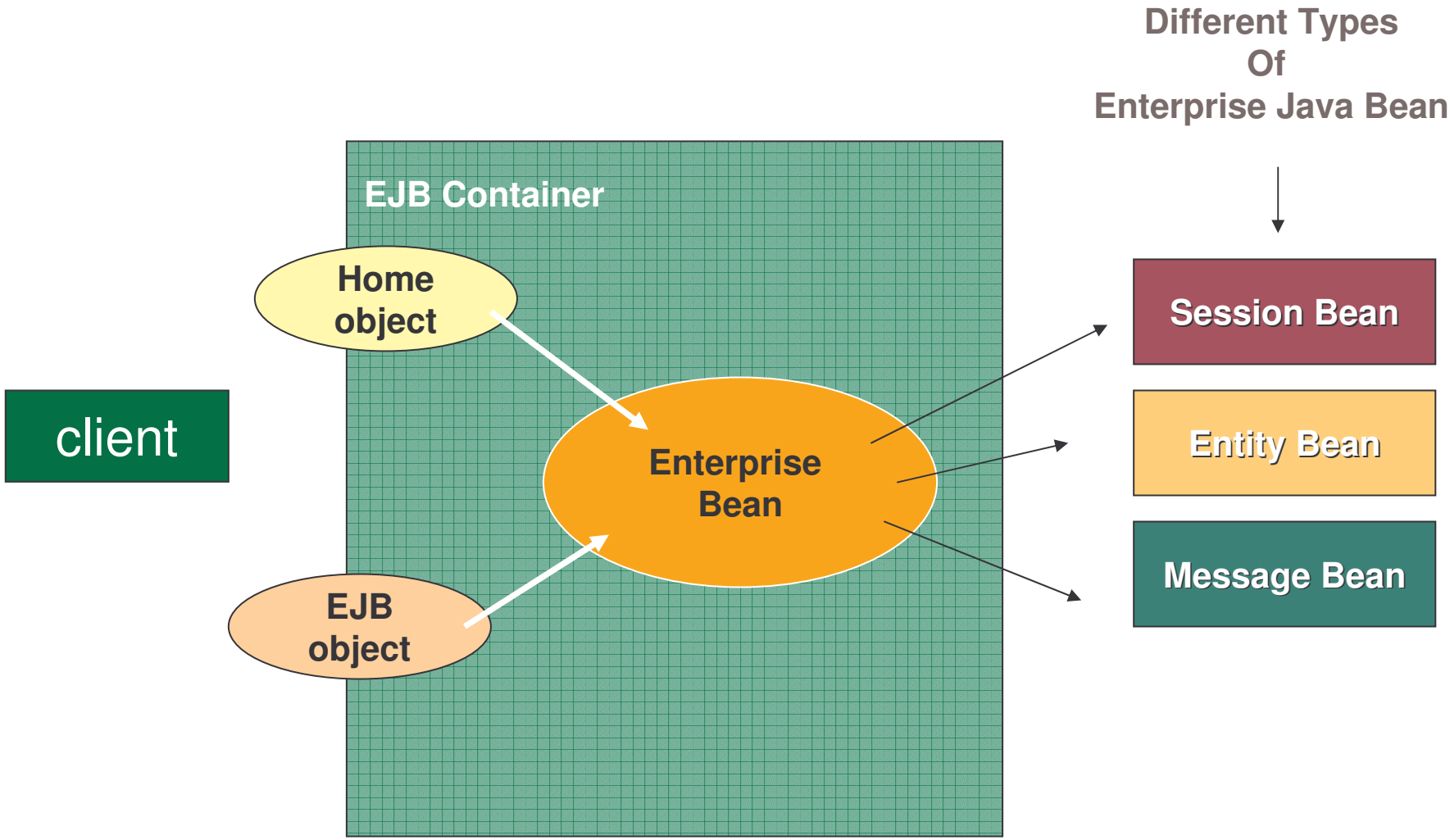

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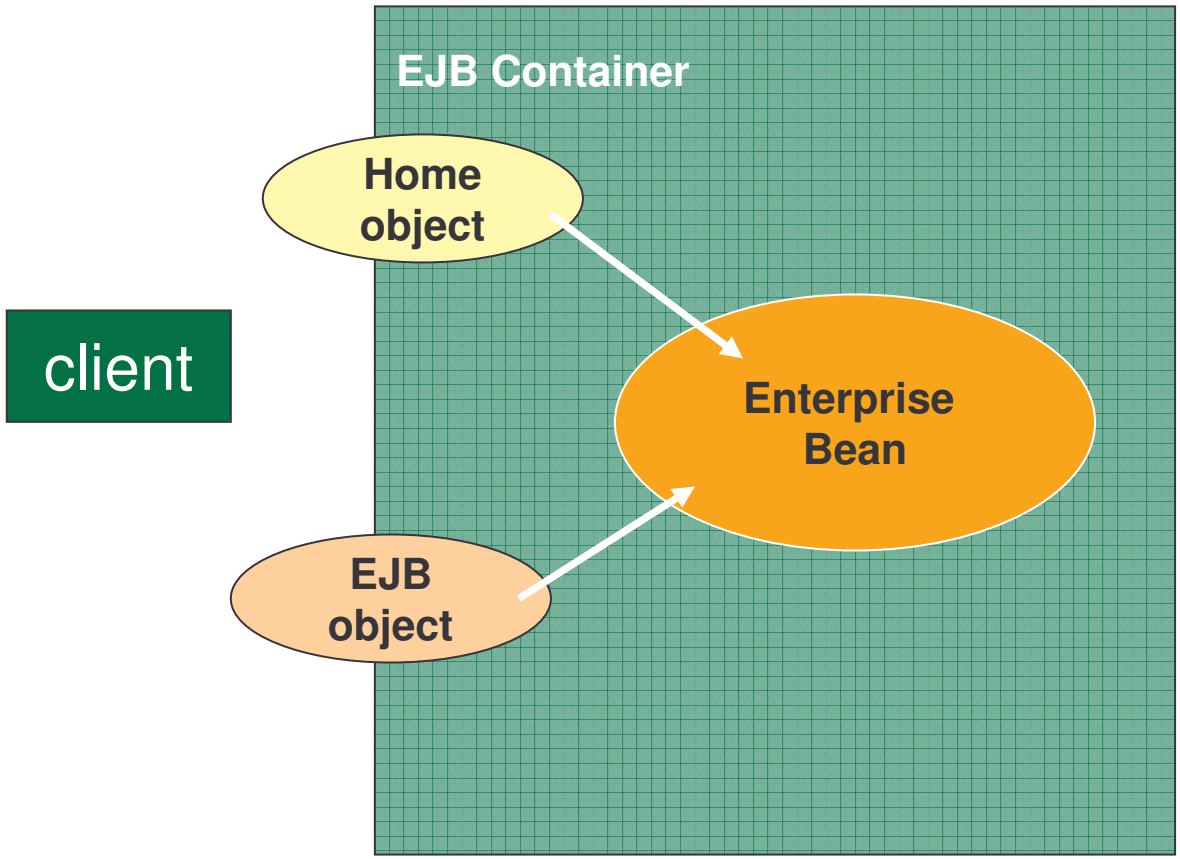

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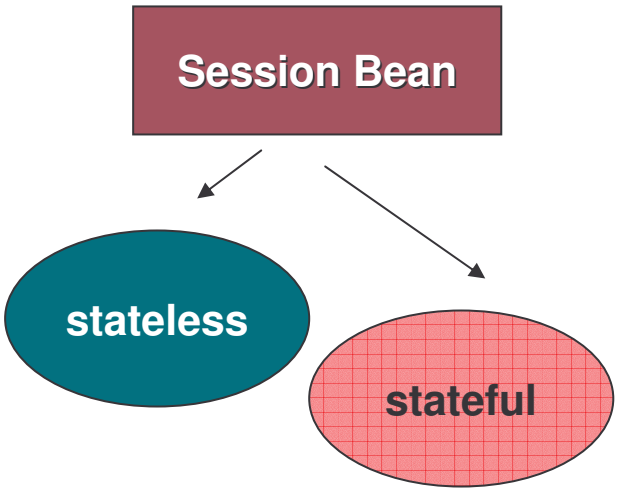

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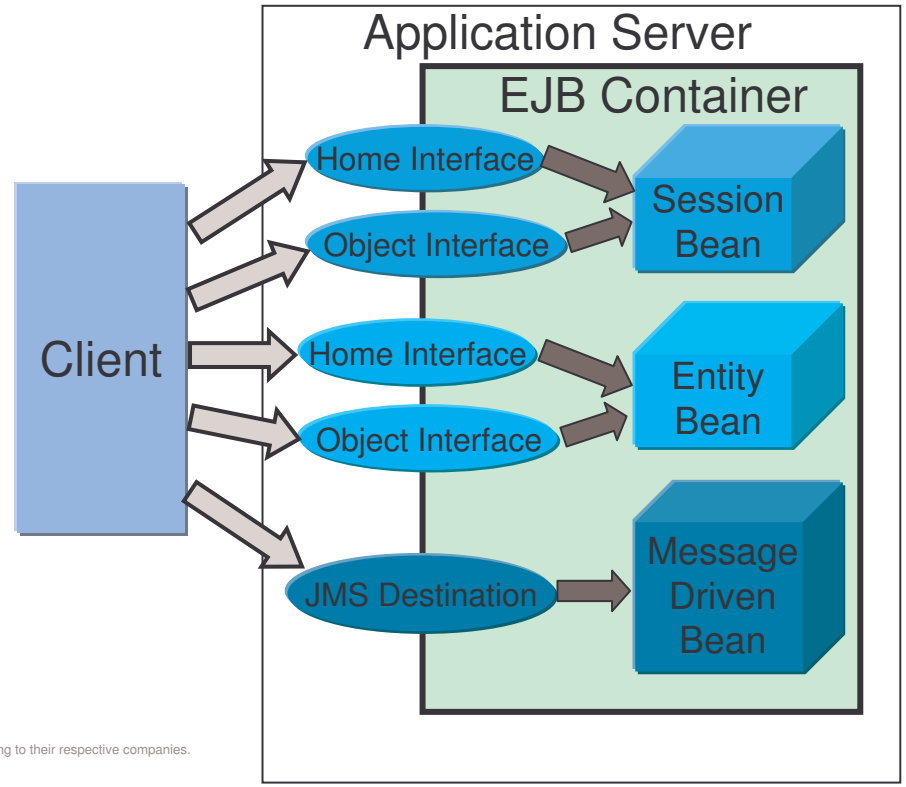
And finally the EJB *(component - No.4)*

- The EJB component is the Java class (or classes) that represents the business-logic component

- There are three types of EJB's
  - ***Session Beans***
  - ***Entity Beans***
  - ***Message Beans***



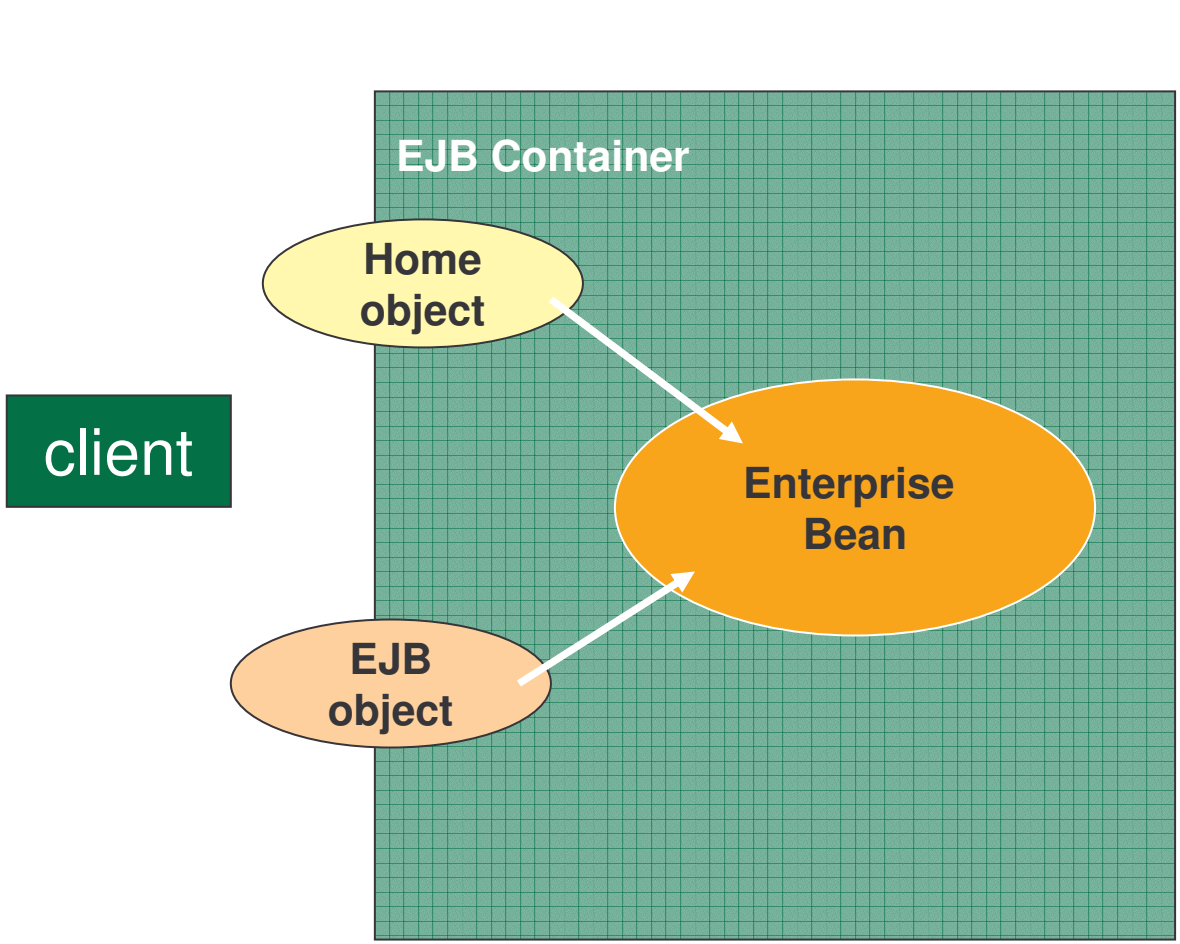
EJB Architecture - 4 Components

EJB - Session Beans *(component - No.4)*

- Represent a process that will be performed on the server
- The Client requests a service from a session bean
- Each client has its own instance of the bean
  - Instances of session beans cannot be shared among multiple clients

- **Two types of SESSION BEAN**
  - **Stateless** – eg. Check whether a stock code is valid
  - **Stateful** – eg. Keep track of a value within a counter

EJB Architecture - 4 Components



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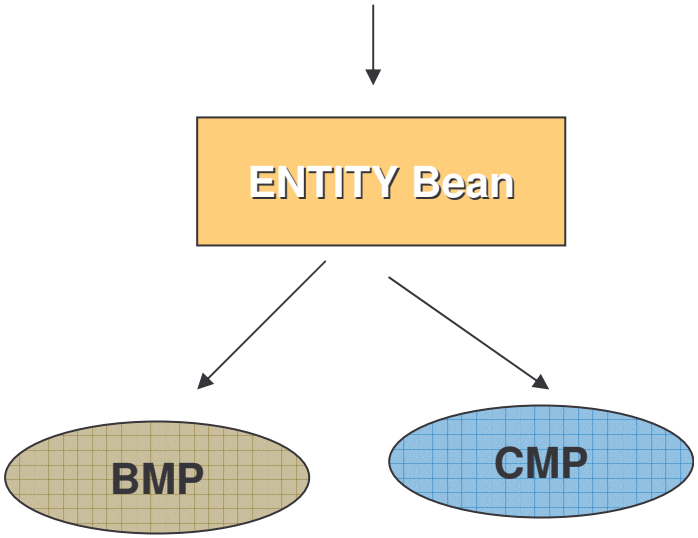

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EJB – Entity Beans *(component - No.4)*

- Map a Java class to a data source
- Source can be a single row in
    - a database;
    - an entire table
    - some type of data not stored in a database
- Each Entity Bean has a primary key associated with it, which identifies the data within
- It is difficult to control changes to multiple copies of the same data
- So only one instance of an entity bean exists for any given primary key

EJB Architecture - 4 Components

EJB – Entity Beans *(component - No.4)*

- **Two types of ENTITY BEAN**
  - ***CMP*** *(Container managed persistence)*
    - *Simplest form and relies on the container to provide all database access calls*
  - ***BMP*** *(Bean managed persistence)*
    - *Provides all the database access calls within the bean itself. The disadvantage this, is that the bean is very closely tied to the underlying architecture*

EJB Query Language

- Automatic persistence is a good feature of CMP entity beans
- But BMP beans are preferable because you can create
  "more complex finder methods"
- With BMP beans you CAN write a complex SQL stmt for a finder method – with CMP you CANNOT!!
  - So EJB Query Language solves this dilemma
- EJB Query Language is similar to SQL
- For performance the EJB Query language can be compiled to a target language of a database

BMP entity beans vs CMP entity beans

BMP entity beans are most appropriate when you want to :

- Wrap a non-relational backend (eg. CICS, IMS)
- Map your entity EJB onto several tables
- Have SQL joins over several tables
- Use SQLJ instead of JDBC to access DB2

CMP entity beans are most appropriate when you :

- Do not want to write the persistence code of the EJB manually
- Only want to access DB2
- Have a one-to-one mapping
  (between an entity bean and a database table)
- Don't require the added performance benefit and security
  that SQLJ can offer

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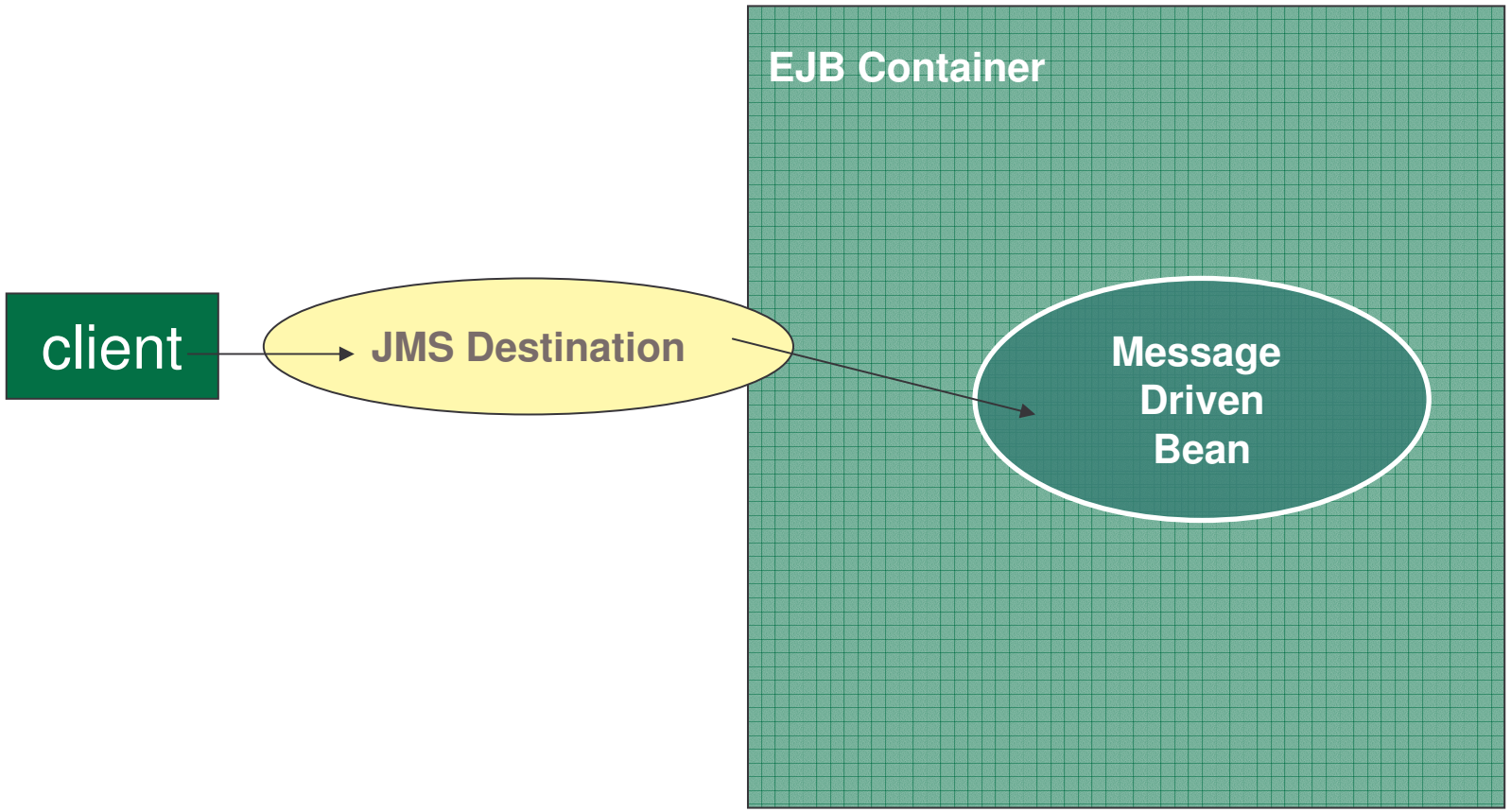

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EJB – Message Beans *(component - No.4)*

- Messaging is a service that provides communication between applications or software components
- Any application or software that uses a messaging service is called a “messaging client”
- A messaging client can send and receive messages
- An EJB Messaging bean can be asynchronously invoked to handle the processing of incoming JMS messages
  - “ Asynchronous message consumer”

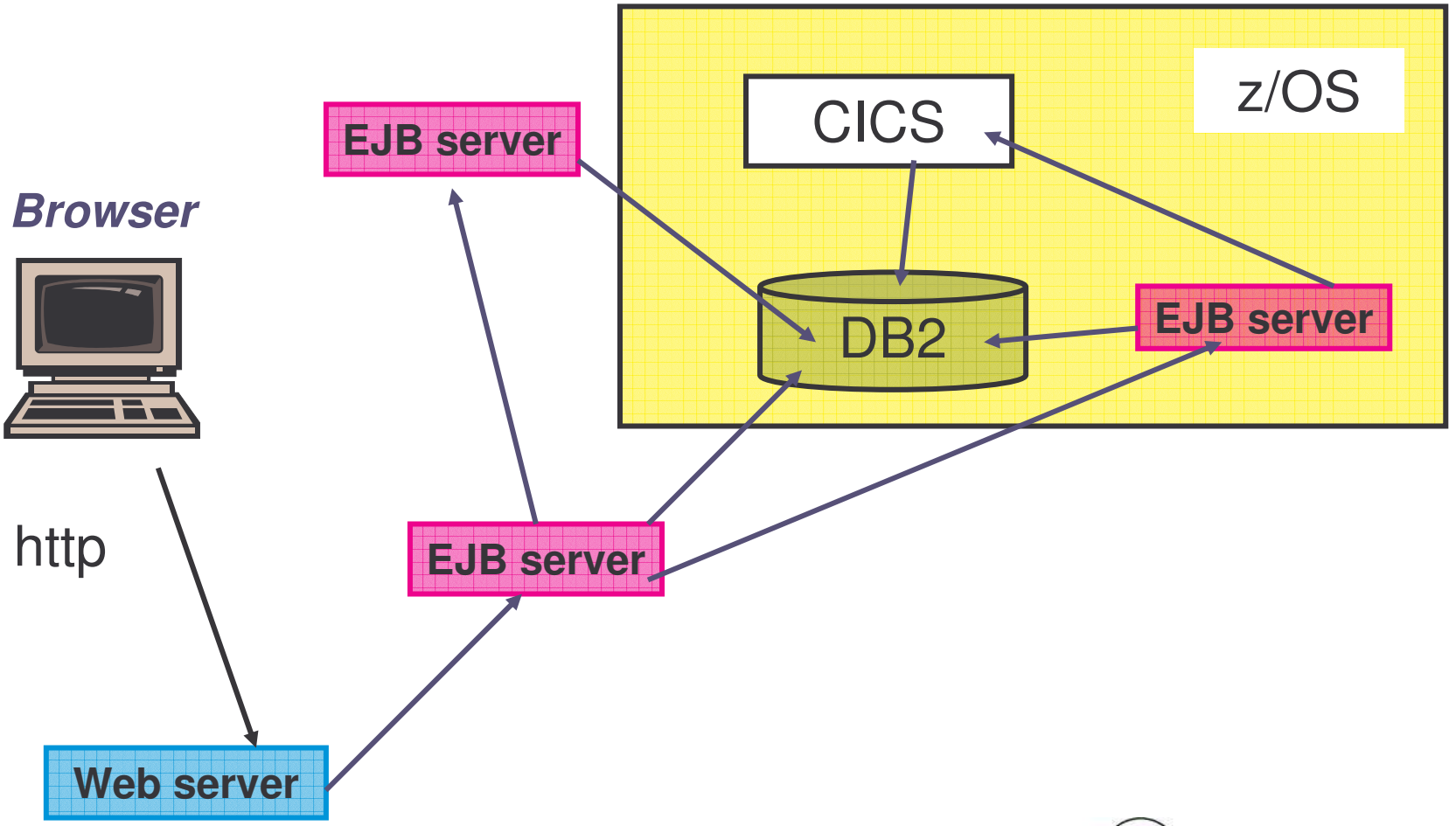
EJB Architecture - 4 Components

EJB – Message Beans *(component - No.4)*

- Asynchronously consume JMS messages
  - Stateless
  - Transactions can be either Bean Managed or Container Managed
  - Queue/Topic can be configured by deployment descriptor
  - Can be used to provide control of workflows
    - A session bean to process the message

- New in EJB 2.0

DB2 and EJB Transactions



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JDBC

- Generic interface for writing platform independent applications that can access any SQL database
- The APIs are defined within 16 interfaces and classes that support
  - Connecting to a Database
  - Executing SQL statements
  - Processing Results
- DB2's Java support includes JDBC a vendor-neutral dynamic SQL interface that provides access to your app, via standardised Java methods
- JDBC is similar to CLI – it does not require pre-compiling or binding
- ***An application using JDBC ONLY uses dynamic SQL***

Advantages of using JDBC

- Generic for all DBMS therefore, with Java and JDBC you can write SQL and port it to any platform that has the JDK (Java Development Toolkit)
  - "Write once, execute anywhere"

- JDBC applications do not require pre-compiling, hence they are easier to maintain in that respect

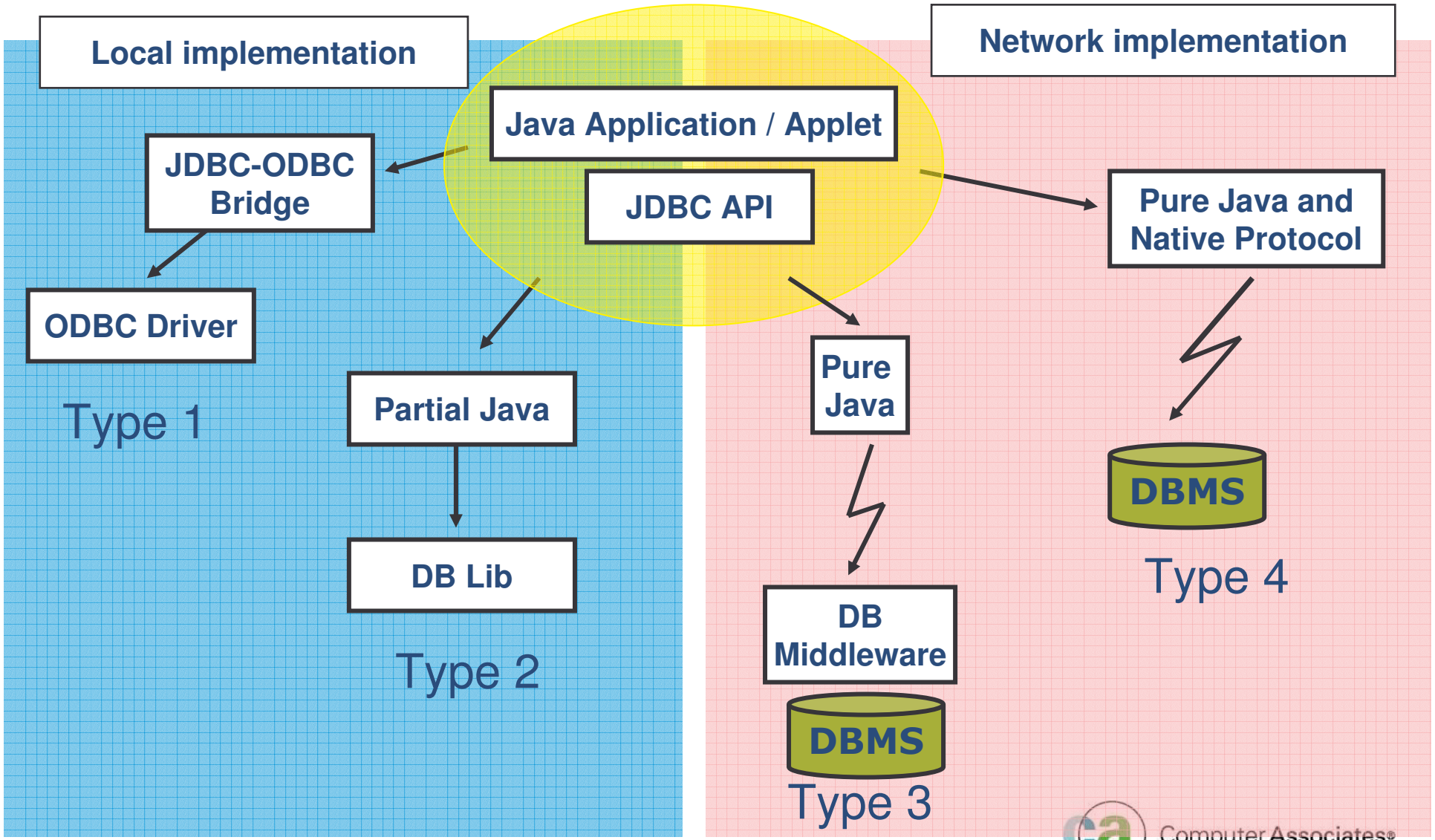
- JDBC allows more flexible SQL statements

  BEWARE!! With JDBC access to the underlying tables must be given to the user, so that the data can be accessed

  - With STATIC SQL access is only given to the plan/package

  - There is an alternative **DYNAMICRULES(BIND)** – but this could create a security exposure depending on how it is implemented!!

JDBC – Driver Types



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SQLJ

- **Embeds SQL in Java programs**
- **An application using SQLJ can only use static SQL**
- **The SQLJ environment consists of:**
  - Embedded SQL
  - Translator (written in Java)
  - A runtime environment
- **Set of Java classes that implement SQLJ's runtime support**
- **SQLJ – when using SQLJ to access a DB2 server, the program will execute SQL statements using the privileges assigned to the user who created the database package**

SQLJ

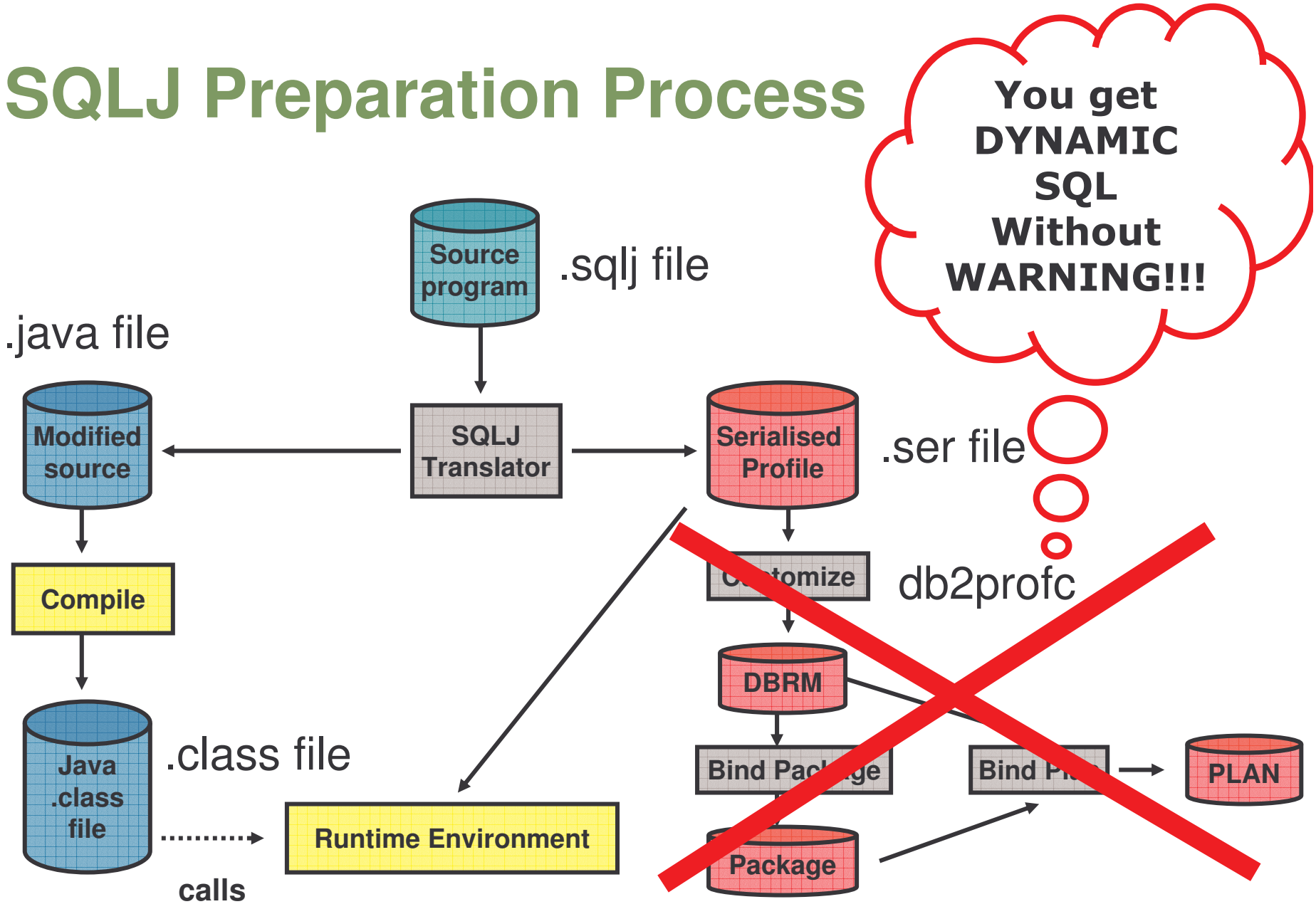
- **SQLJ was designed with specific goals in mind**
  - Provide simple extensions to Java
  - Allow rapid development
  - Easy maintenance of Java apps that use embedded SQL

- **DB2 support and restrictions**
  - DB2 SQLJ support is provided by the DB2 Application Development Client
  - Along with the JDBC support provided, the DB2 client allows you to
    - Create
    - Build
    - Run embedded SQL for Java apps, applets, Stored Procs, UDFs

SQLJ

- **SQLJ provides**
  - **SQLJ translator** – SQLJ replaces embedded SQL stmt in the SQLJ pgm with Java source stmts and generates a serialized profile containing info about the SQL found in the pgm - Sqllib/java/sqlj.zip.file
  - **SQLJ run-time classes** available in sqllib/java/runtime.zip
  - **DB2 SQLJ profile customiser – db2profc** – precompiles the SQL stmts stored in the generated profile and generates a package in the DB2 database
  - **SQLJ profile auditor installer - profdb** – installs/uninstalls debugging class auditors into an existing set of binary profiles. Once installed all *RTStatement* and *RTResultSet* calls made during the application run time are logged to a file. (Only those calls made to the underlying *RTStatement* and *RTResultSet* call interface at run time are audited)
  - **SQLJ profile conversion tool - profconv** – converts a serialised profile instance to class bytecode format. Some browsers do not yet have support for loading a serialised object from a resource file associated with the applet. As a work around you use this util to perform the conversion

SQLJ Preparation Process



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SQLJ

- **SQLJ is easier to code**
  - SQLJ is easier to code, read and maintain – because its not an API
  - Coded purely in SQL syntax without the need to wrap SQL in Java methods

- **SQLJ catches errors sooner**
  - JDBC is a pure Java API
    - which means that the Java compiler does not know anything about SQL stmts
    - They only appear as arguments to method calls
    - If one of the stmts is in error, it will not be caught until runtime when the database complains

SQLJ

- **SQLJ allows for better monitoring** -
  - Static SQL pkgs give you the names of the pgms that are running at any given time.
  - Very useful for studying CPU consumption, locking issues (deadlocks etc)
- **SQLJ is better from a security point-of-view**

JDBC vs SQLJ

JDBC

```
java.sql.PreparedStatement ps =

con.prepareStatement("SELECT
BIRTHDATE FROM EMP WHERE
NAME=?");

ps.setString(1, name);

java.sql.ResultSet rs =
ps.executeQuery();

rs.next();

birthdate = rs.getString(1);

rs.close();
```

SQLJ

```
#sql [con] { SELECT
BIRTHDATE INTO :birthdate
FROM EMP

WHERE NAME=:name };
```


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JDBC vs SQLJ

JDBC

- More portable
- **Dynamic** SQL only
- SQL prepared at run time
- JDBC manages its own connections to DB2
- Security (“uses userid privileges to access DBMS tables”)
- Dynamic SQL statements are cached until they are invalidated

SQLJ

- Easier to code
- **Static** SQL only
- Better performance
- Security (“uses bind owner privileges to access DBMS tables”)
- Static SQL is “persistent” ie. They last as long as package exits
- Robustness

- ***SQLJ and JDBC can be used in the same application***
- ***How often will the SQL statement be executed?***

Conclusion

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Conclusion

- World Wide a very high percentage of new applications are being written in Java
- For most very large companies – the majority of their important data is in DB2
- Java and DB2 - will be the future
  - Understanding of Java and the Web is vital

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