



Portlet Bridge

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Agenda

- Part 1
 - Portal and portlet bridge
 - Portals and portlets (demo)
- Part 2
 - Developing JSF portlets from scratch (demo)
 - Migrating JSF/RichFaces to portal (demo)





Survey

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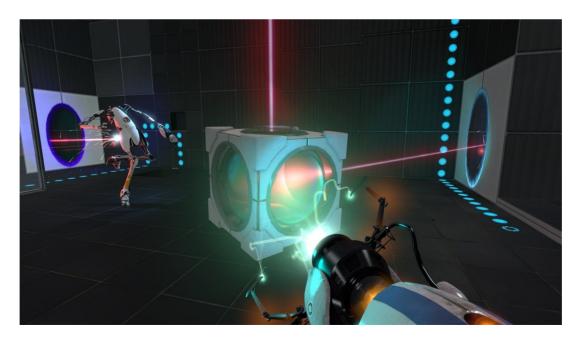
- experience with portlets?
- experience with JSF/*Faces?
- experience with Portlet Bridge?





Portal

- Web based application offering personalization and content aggregation from different sources.
- Framework for integration of information, people and processes in an organization.







Portal

- integration
- single sign-on
- customization & personalization
- authorization & authentication
- communication
- extensibility
- others

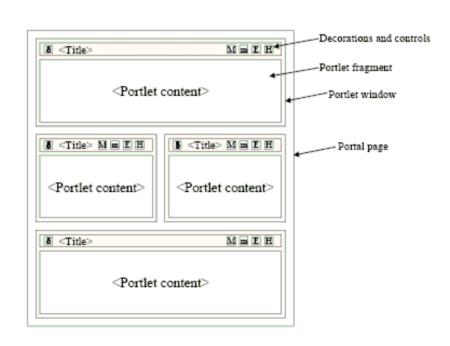






Portlet

- Small web application designed to be deployed on portal server.
- Reusable component generating markup fragments.
- JSR-168 & JSR-286.
 - modes, window states...
 - IPC, resource serving, filters, data storage...







Portlet vs. Servlet

common features:

- generate dynamic content
- components based on Java
- lifecycle managed by container
- request/response model

portlet specific features:

- generate fragment of pages
- not bound to URL
- communication via portal
- more complex request processing and behavior
- multiple instances on page





Portlet Bridge

- a way to use popular MVC frameworks in portal
- technology used by a portlet to bridge to an execution environment where differing abstractions are used for rendering markup or processing user interaction
- translation engine expresses portlet request context to bridged environment, executes request and transforms response back to portal
- abstraction of the portlet environment for the bridged environment - Faces views as portlets without having to understand portlet concepts





How does it work?

Let's draw it all...







JBoss Portlet Bridge

- subsystem that allows a JSF resource to execute and satisfy a portlet request
- between portlet container and JSF runtime behaviour and implementation depends on both - discrete specification for each combination of JSF and Java portlets
- JSR-301 and JSR-329
- version 2 JSF 1.2, Portlets 2.0 (backward compatible)
- target audience
 - portlet developer
 - JSF developers





Demo, demo, demo...





Questions?



Interesting links

- http://www.jcp.org/en/jsr/detail?id=329
- http://jcp.org/en/jsr/detail?id=286
- http://www.jboss.org/portletbridge
- http://www.jboss.org/gatein/
- https://github.com/jbossportletbridge/jbossportletbridge
- https://issues.jboss.org/browse/PBR

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