

 **Integration** vs. **Mule ESB** vs.  **Camel**



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## Main Tasks

**Evaluation of Technologies and Products**

**Requirements Engineering**

**Enterprise Architecture Management**

**Business Process Management**

**Architecture and Development of  
Applications**

**Planning and Introduction of SOA**

**Integration of Legacy Applications**

**Cloud Computing**

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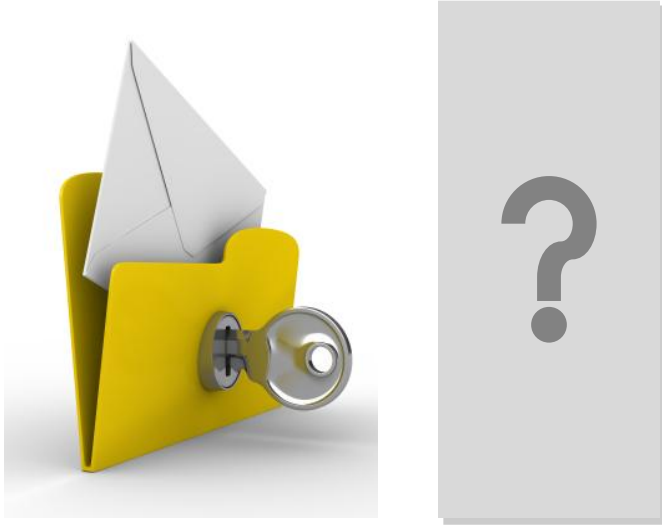
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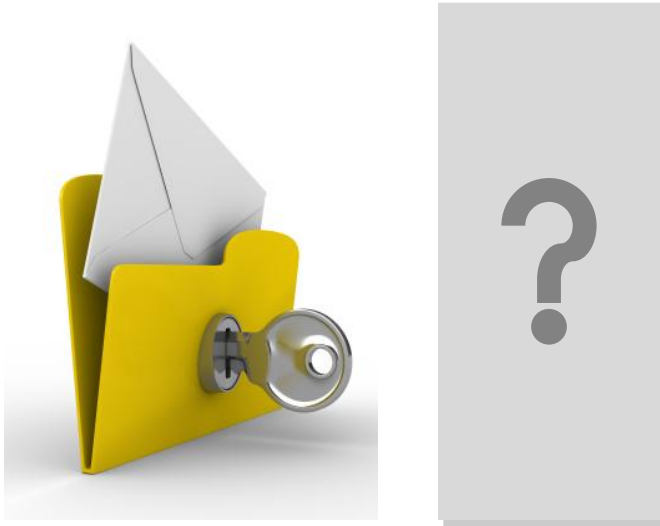
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# What is the Key Message?



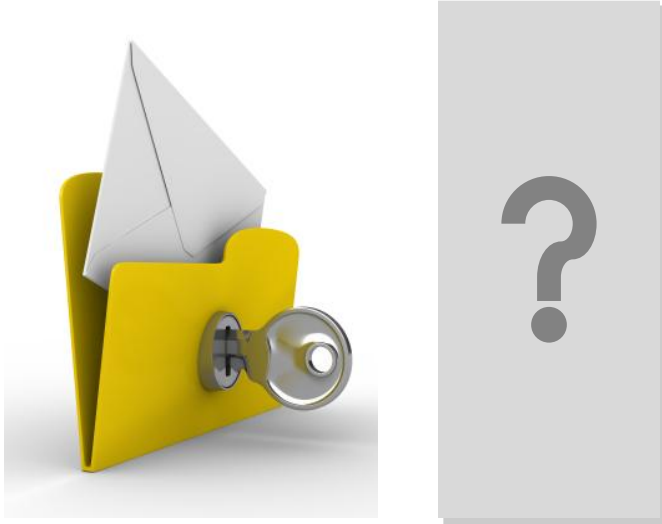


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## Growth

- Applications
- Interfaces
- Technologies
- Products

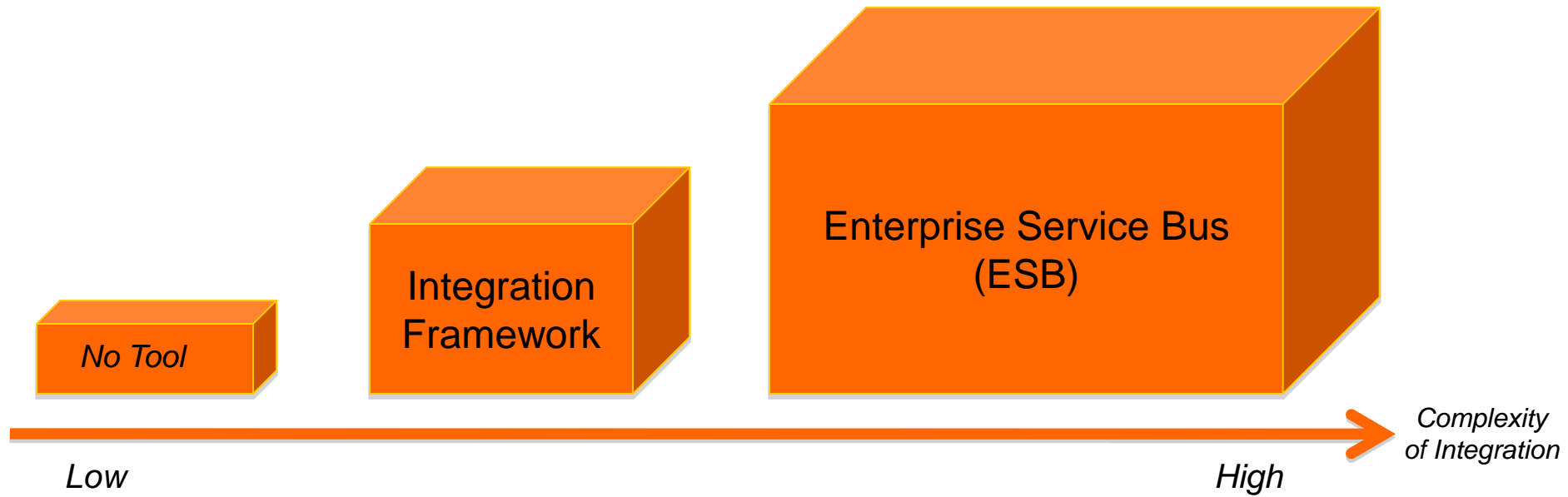


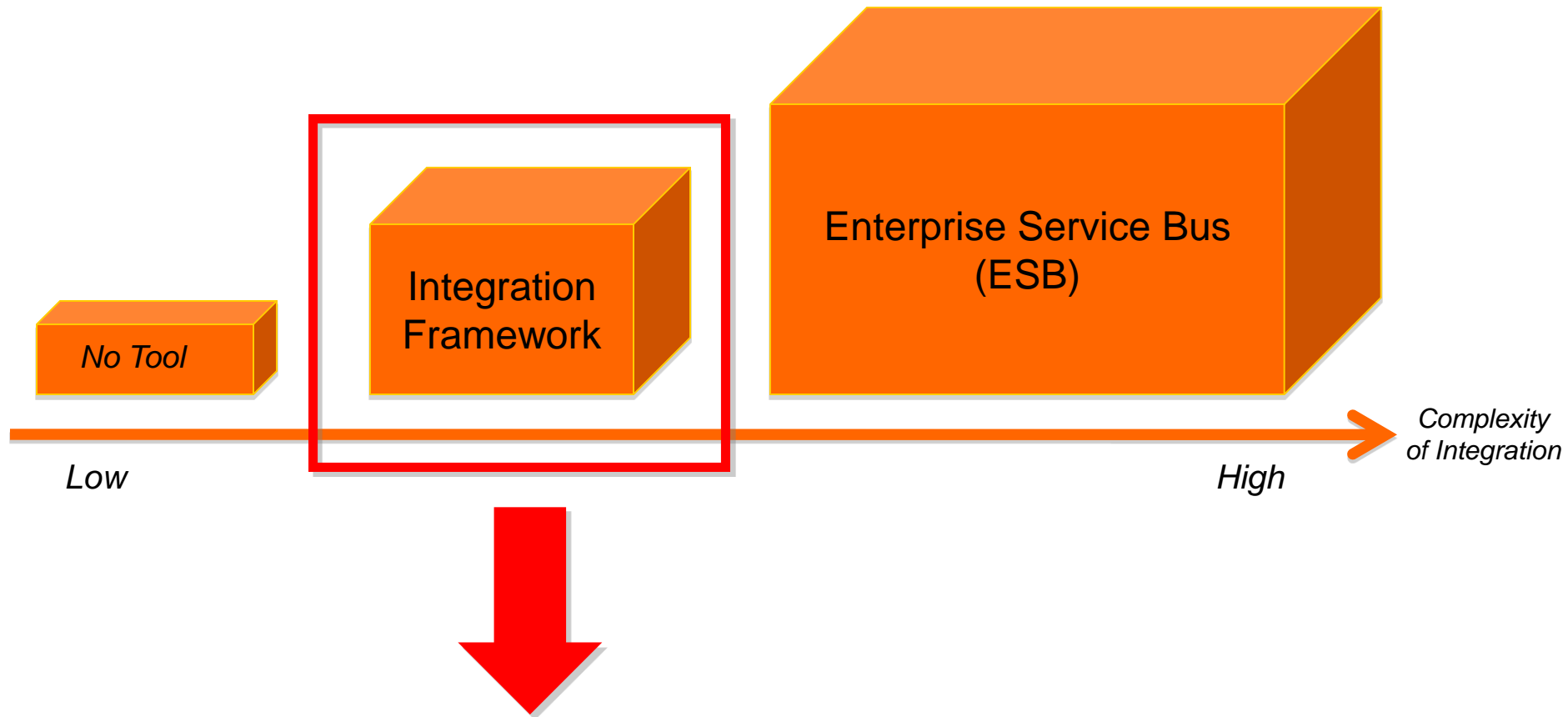


Everybody communicates to everybody



**All Roads  
lead to Rome ...**





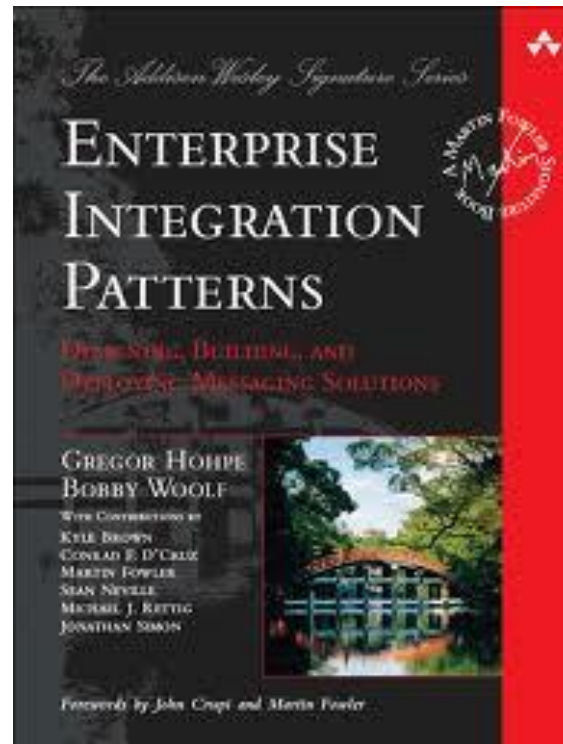
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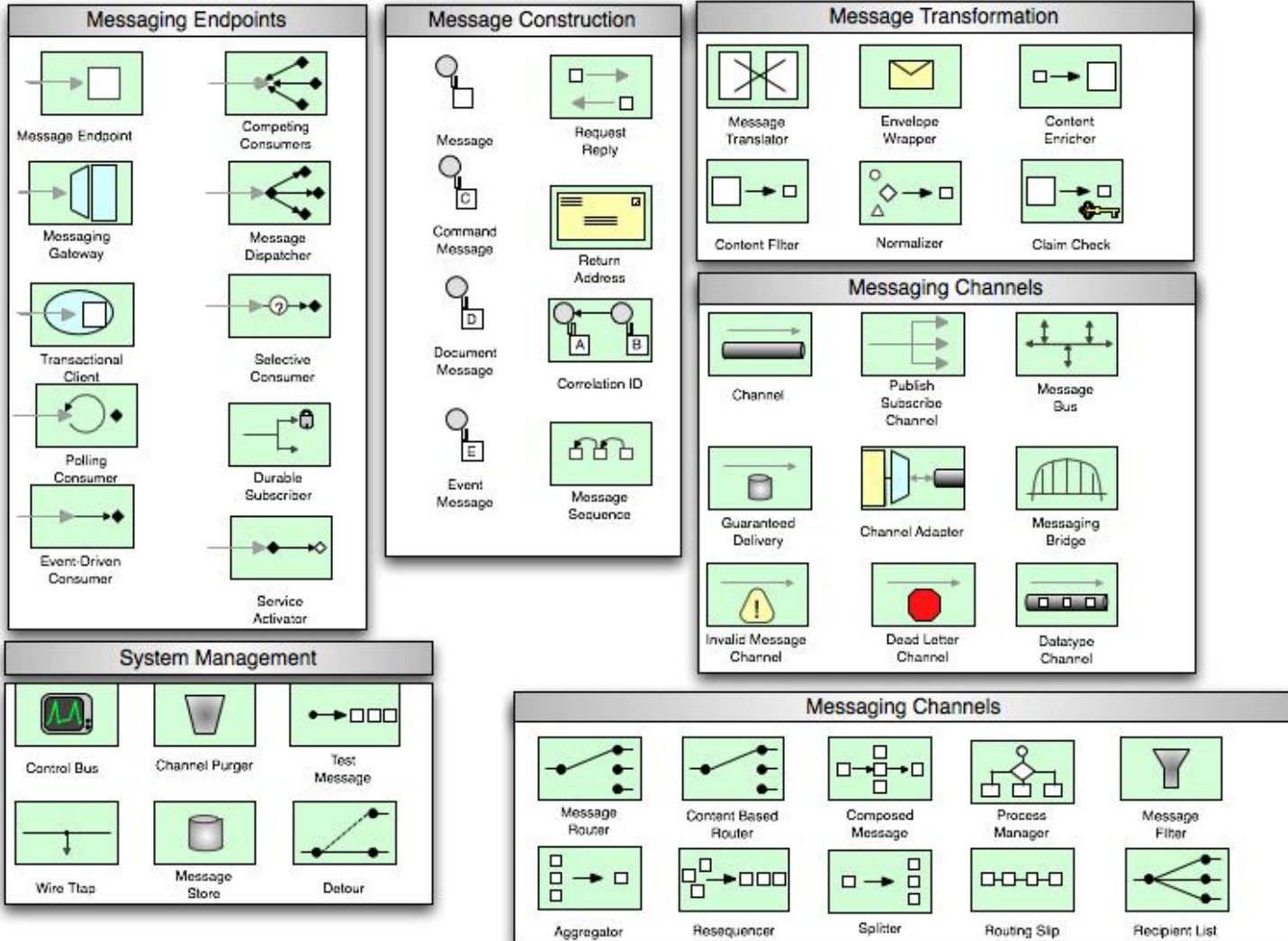
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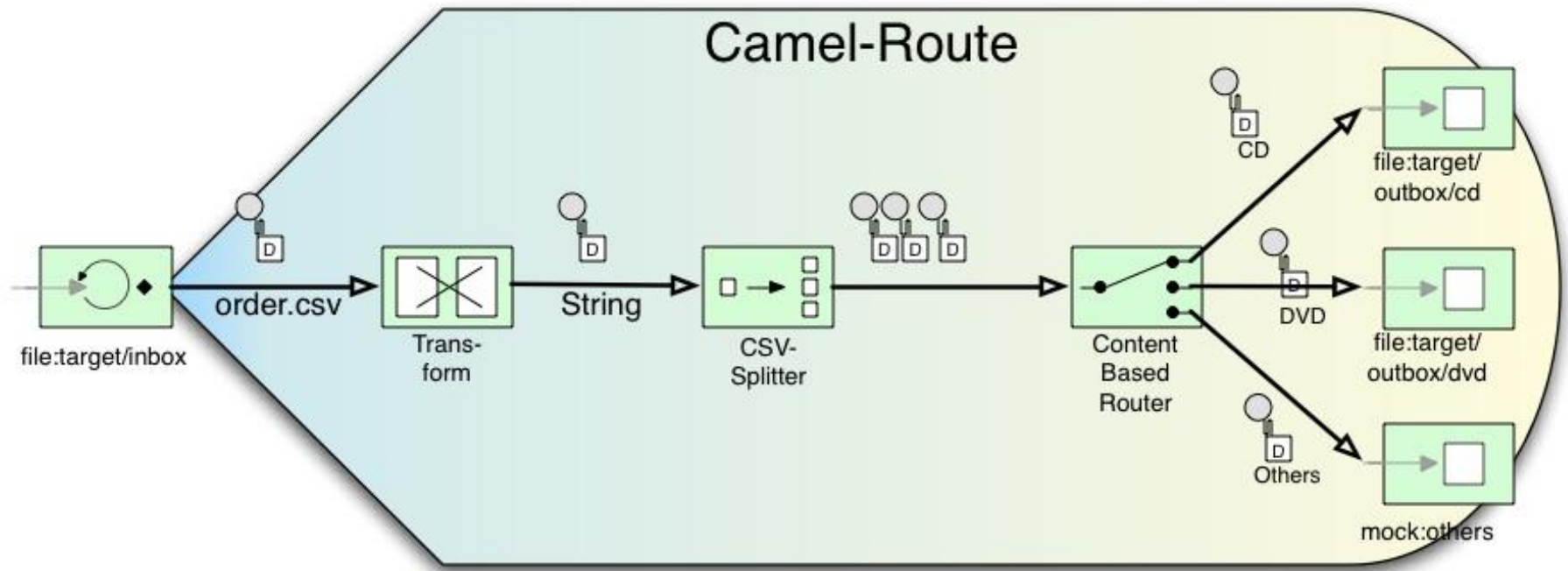


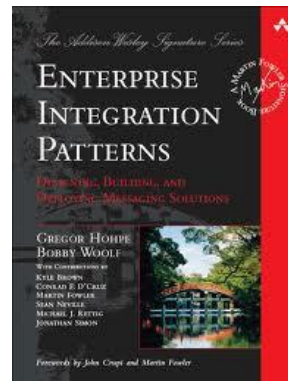
- Standardized Modeling
- Efficient Realization
- Automatic Testing











- Open source
- Basic concepts / architecture
- Testability
- Commercial support
- Error handling
- Monitoring
- Enterprise readiness
- Developer-centric vs. designer-centric
- Expandability
- Deployment
- Popularity
- Tool support
- Connectivity
- Domain specific language (DSL)



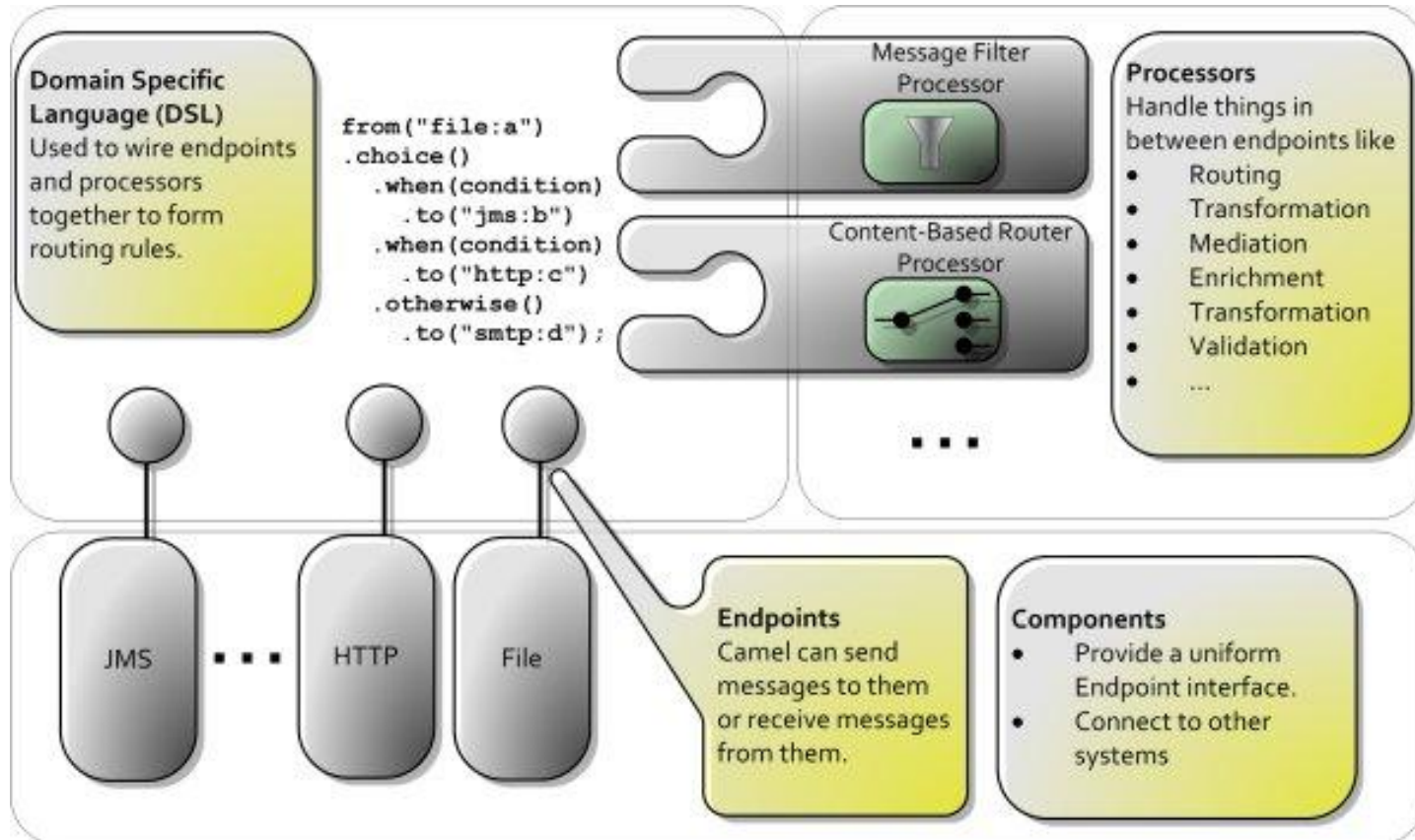
# Integration of different Technologies



*„A **domain-specific language (DSL)** is a programming language or specification language dedicated to a particular problem domain, a particular problem representation technique, and / or a particular solution technique.“*

Wikipedia





<http://java.dzone.com/articles/apache-camel-integration>

(Exemplarily: Apache Camel => Concepts are all the same, only different names)

**Standalone** **Application**  
**Web Container** **Server**

**Spring Container**

**OSGi**

**Cloud**





- Maturity
- Transactions
- Concurrency
- Error handling
- Monitoring
- Testability

  
**spring**  
**Integration**

vs.

**Mule ESB**

vs.

**Apache**  
  
**Camel**



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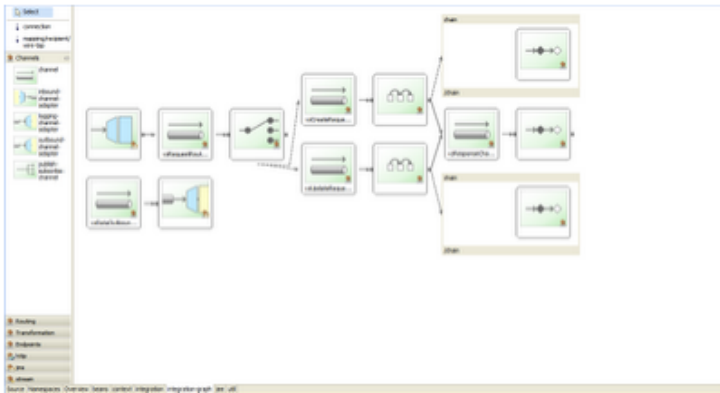


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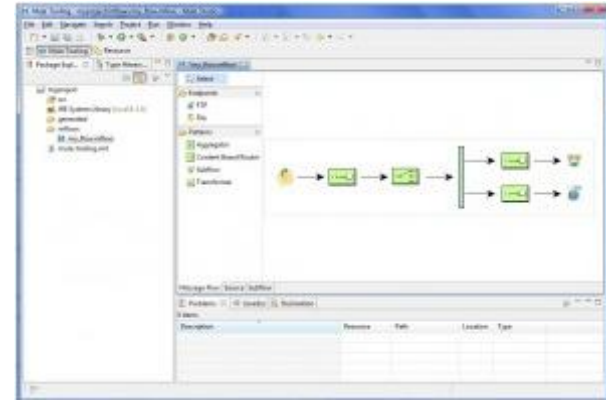
  
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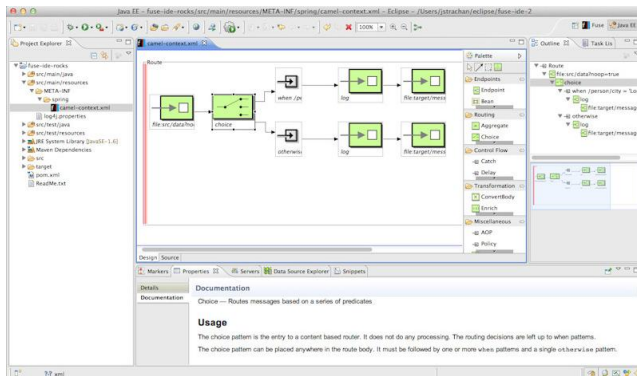
## Integration Graph for Spring Integration



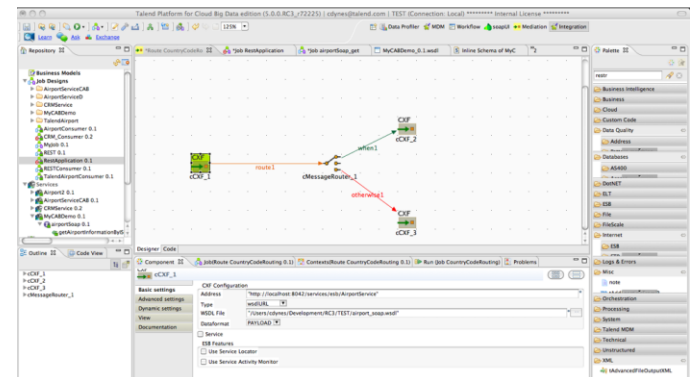
## Mule Studio for Mule ESB



## Fuse IDE for Apache Camel



## Talend Studio for Apache Camel

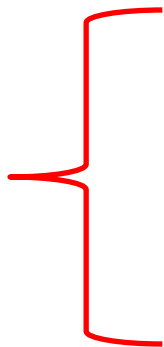


- Concepts of each Framework
- Code Example
- Live Demo



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Focus







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AMQP  
Feed  
File  
FTP(S)  
GemFire  
HTTP  
TCP  
UDP  
JDBC  
JMS  
Mail  
MongoDB  
Redis  
RMI  
SFTP  
Stream  
Twitter  
Web Service  
XML  
XMPP

## How to create own custom adapter?




Dashboards ▾ Projects ▾ Issues ▾ Agile ▾

 Spring Integration Samples / INTSAMPLES-73

### There is no sample how to create an own custom adapter

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Spring Forum Reference:: <http://forum.springsource.org/showthread.php?125793-How-to-create-a-new-custom-adapter-for-Spring-Integration&p=410641#post410641>

**XML**



**(Not production-ready yet)**

```
<file:inbound-channel-adapter
  id="incomingOrders"
  directory="file:incomingOrders"/>

<payload-type-router input-channel="incomingOrders">
  <mapping type="com.kw.DvdOrder"
    channel="dvdOrders" />
  <mapping type="com.kw.VideogameOrder"
    channel="videogameOrders" />
  <mapping type="com.kw.OtherOrder"
    channel="otherOrders" />
</payload-type-router>

<file:outbound-channel-adapter
  id="dvdOrders"
  directory="dvdOrders"/>

<jms:outbound-channel-adapter
  id="videogamesOrders"
  destination="videogameOrdersQueue"
  channel="videogamesOrders"/>

<logging-channel-adapter id="otherOrders" level="INFO"/>
```

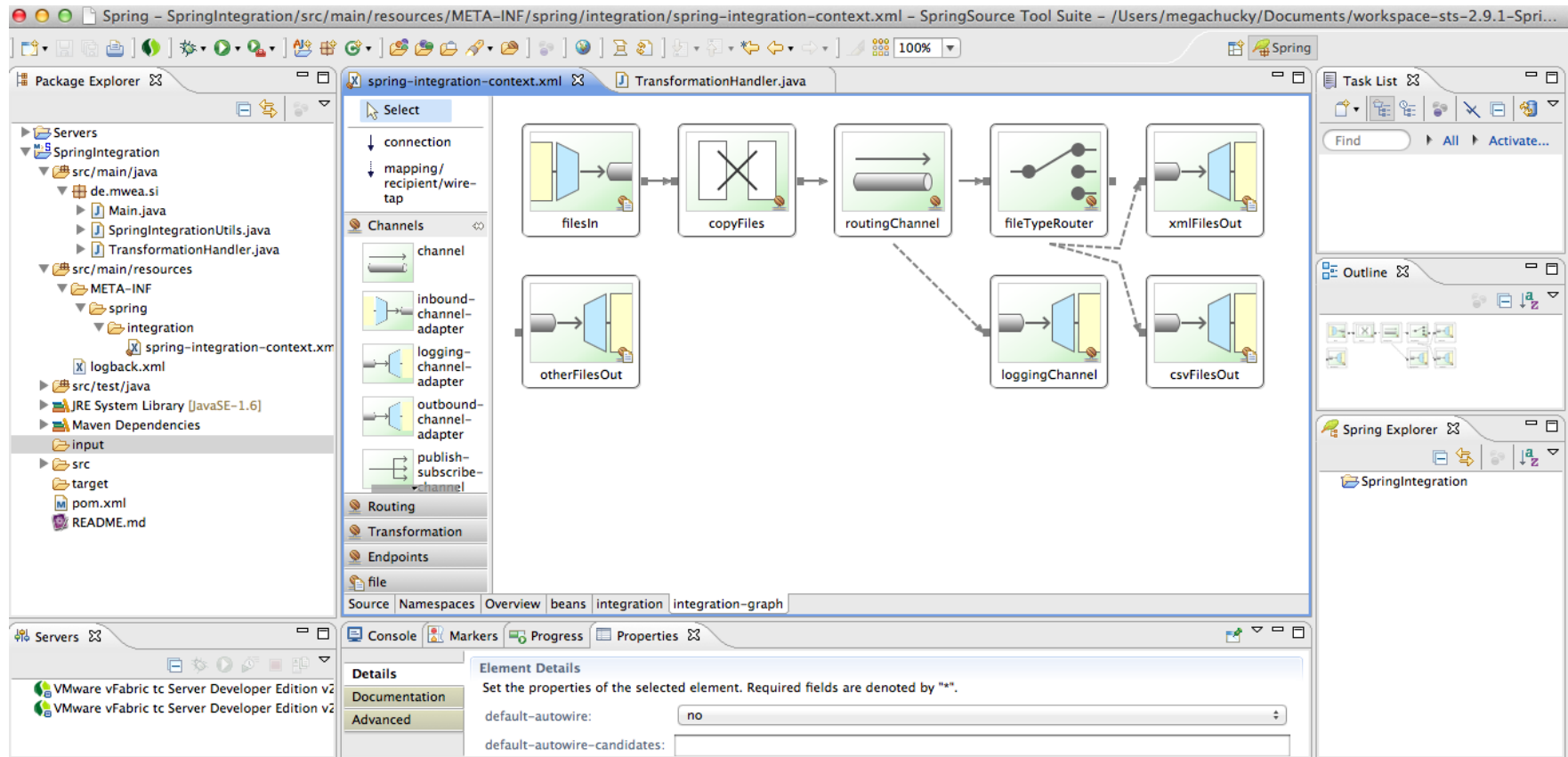
```
val messageFlow =  
    filter.using{payload: String => payload == "World"} -->  
    transform.using { payload: String => "Hello " + payload} -->  
    handle.using { payload: String => println(payload) }  
  
messageFlow.send("World")
```

<http://blog.springsource.org/2012/03/05/introducing-spring-integration-scala-dsl/>





# Spring Integration in Action



The screenshot displays the SpringSource Tool Suite interface for editing an integration graph. The main workspace shows a flow starting with 'filesIn', followed by 'copyFiles' (which is crossed out), then 'routingChannel'. From 'routingChannel', the flow splits into two paths: one through 'fileTypeRouter' to 'xmlFilesOut' and 'csvFilesOut', and another through 'loggingChannel'. The 'Details' pane at the bottom shows the configuration for the selected element, including 'default-autowire' set to 'no'.

## Pro

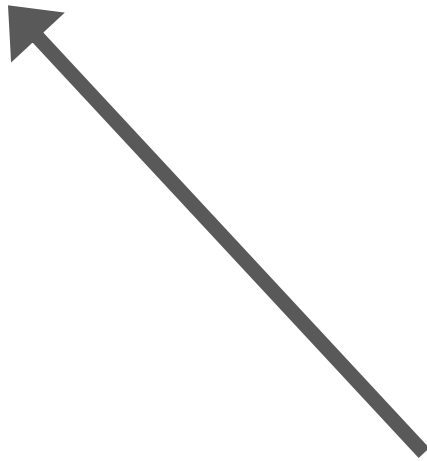
- Visual Designer for Spring Integration flows
- Vice versa Editing (code generation vs. coding by hand)
- Open Source (part of Spring IDE at github)
- Simple Eclipse plugin – „Just Spring Integration“
- Export of flow diagrams

## Contra

- Non-intuitive usability
- Unclear diagrams
- Immature (e.g. missing documentation, problems with code examples)



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## Embedding Mule in a Java Application or Webapp

This page describes how to start and stop Mule from a Java application or to embed it in a Webapp (such as a JSP or servlet), and how to interact with Mule from your code in both scenarios.

### Starting Mule from a Java Application

To start Mule from any Java application, you can call one of its configuration builders. To use Mule XML configuration,

```
DefaultMuleContextFactory muleContextFactory = new DefaultMuleContextFactory();  
SpringXmlConfigurationBuilder configBuilder = new SpringXmlConfigurationBuilder("mule-c  
muleContext = muleContextFactory.createMuleContext(configBuilder);
```

If you have multiple configuration files, you can provide a comma-separated list or an array of configuration files:

```
SpringXmlConfigurationBuilder configBuilder =  
    new SpringXmlConfigurationBuilder(new String[] { "mule-config.xml", "another-confi
```

You then call the start method to start the server:

```
muleContext.start();
```

### Stopping Mule from a Java Application

To stop Mule, you stop its context like this:

```
muleContext.stop();  
muleContext.dispose();
```

<http://www.mulesoft.org/documentation/display/MULE3USER/Embedding+Mule+in+a+Java+Application+or+Webapp>

AS400 Data Queue

Abdera

Amazon SQS

jBPM

CICS CTG

CXF

Email

FTP

Hibernate

HTTP/S

Legs4Mule

IMAP/S

Servlet

SFTP

SMTP/S

SOAP

STDIO

TCP

UDP

VM

XMPP

WebSphere MQ

WSDL

Atom

Base64 encoded

Byte arrays

CSV

Encrypted

GZIP

Hex Strings

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Java Objects

JSON

EDI

COBOL Copybook

XML

Amazon S3

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Apple Push

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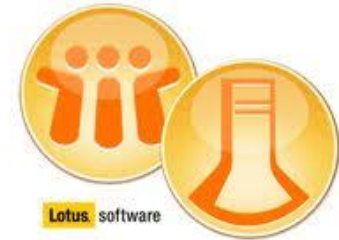
Restlet

RMI


SAP

**Many more Connectors +  
easy to create own Connectors**

Several Proprietary Connectors available, for instance:



## OSGi? No Thanks

 Ross Mason on Tuesday, November 9, 2010  
[41 Comments](#)

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There have been bubbles of interest about [OSGi](#) in the Java community over recent years. I for one was very excited about the advent of a modular Java platform that freed us from the classloader issues in the JDK manifested best by Jakarta commons-logging (clogging our app servers).

OSGi was going to change everything, dependencies would be completely isolated (no more tripping over conflicting dependency versions), visibility and would be strictly enforced between each 'bundle'. I was so bought into the promise of OSGi, like many others, I focused our engineering team on making Mule OSGi-enabled.

*„OSGi adds another complexity to building applications. [...] OSGi is a great specification for middleware vendors, but a terrible specification for the end user.“*

Ross Mason, MuleSoft, November 2010

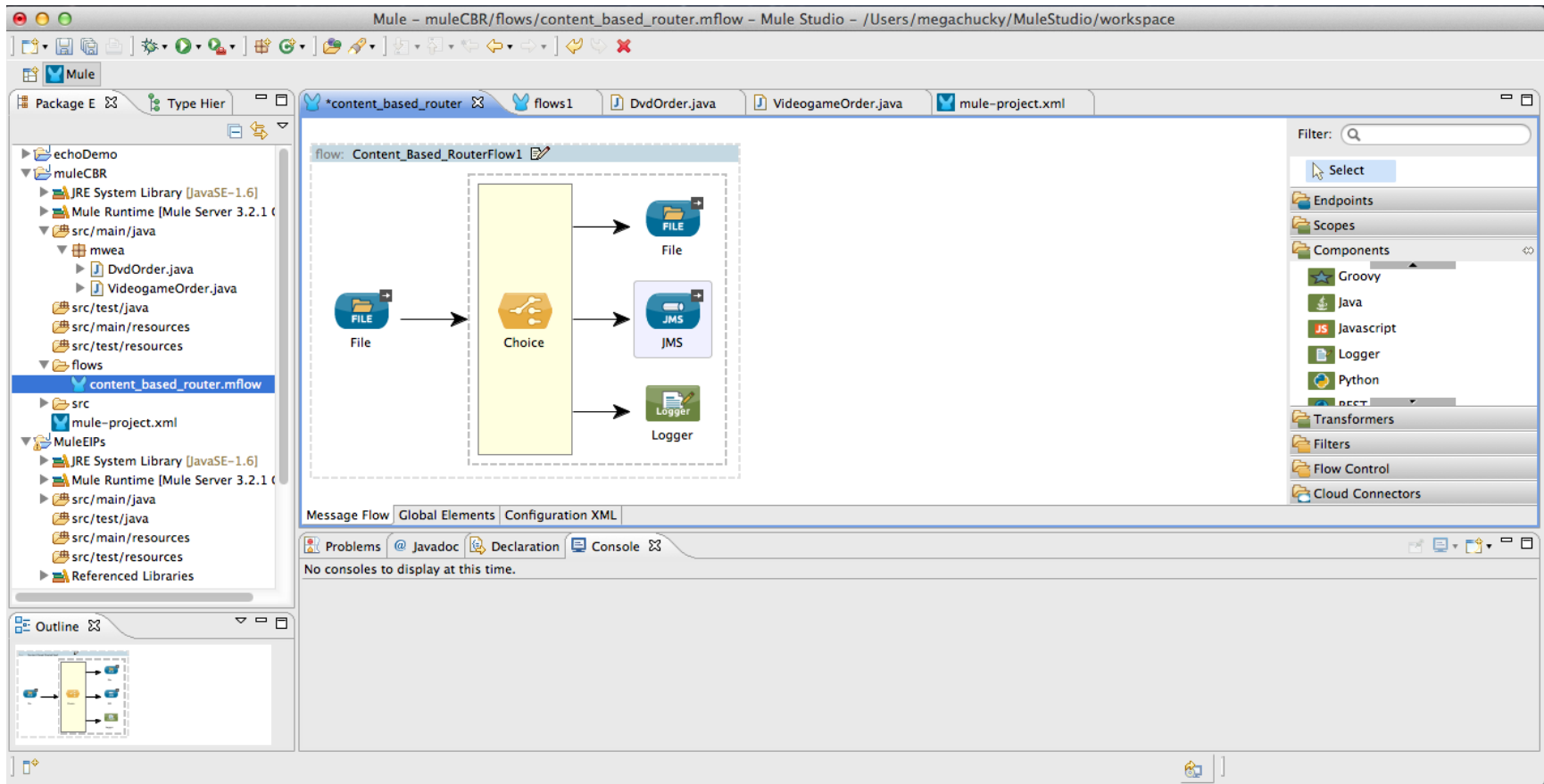
# XML

```
<flow name="muleFlow">  
  <file:inbound-endpoint path="incomingOrders"/>  
  <choice>  
    <when expression="payload instanceof com.kw.DvdOrder"  
      evaluator="groovy">  
      <file:outbound-endpoint path="incoming/dvdOrders"/>  
    </when>  
    <when expression="payload instanceof com.kw.DvdOrder"  
      evaluator="groovy">  
      <jms:outbound-endpoint queue="videogameOrdersQueue"/>  
    </when>  
    <otherwise>  
      <logger level="INFO"/>  
    </otherwise>  
  </choice>  
</flow>
```





## Mule in Action



## Pro

- Visual Designer for Mule Flows
- Visual „Live Monitoring“
- Vice versa Editing (Code generation vs. coding by hand)
- Simple Eclipse plugin – „Just Mule“
- Intuitive GUI

## Contra

- Proprietary
- Subscription required for many enterprise features (such as monitoring)

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**XML**



SQL TCP LDAP XSLT  
SMTP JMS  
Netty Jetty  
RMI  
FTP Lucene JDBC EJB  
Twitter  
Bean-Validation MQ IRC  
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File HTTP  
MongoDB

**Many more Components +  
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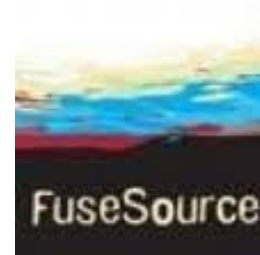
```
<route>  
  <from uri="file:incomingOrders"/>  
  <choice>  
    <when>  
      <simple>${in.header.type} is 'com.kw.DvdOrder'</simple>  
      <to uri="file:incoming/dvdOrders"/>  
    </when>  
    <when>  
      <simple>${in.header.type} is 'com.kw.VideogameOrder'</simple>  
      <to uri="jms:videogameOrdersQueue"/>  
    </when>  
    <otherwise>  
      <to uri="log:OtherOrders"/>  
    </otherwise>  
  </choice>  
</route>
```

```
from("file:incomingOrders ")  
  .choice()  
    .when(body().isInstanceOf(com.kw.DvdOrder.class))  
      .to("file:incoming/dvdOrders")  
    .when(body().isInstanceOf(com.kw.VideogameOrder.class))  
      .to("jms:videogameOrdersQueue ")  
    .otherwise()  
      .to("mock:OtherOrders ");
```





# Apache Camel in Action

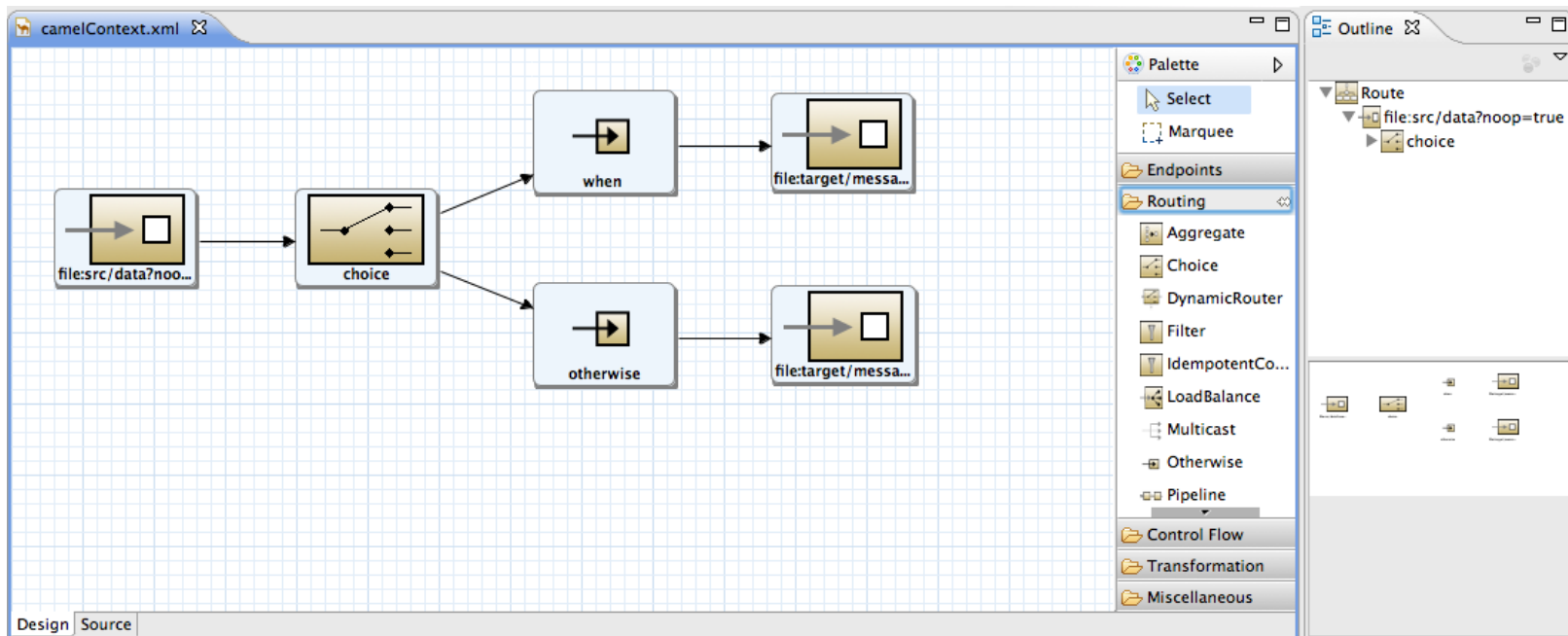


# Fuse IDE

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# Talend Open Studio for ESB



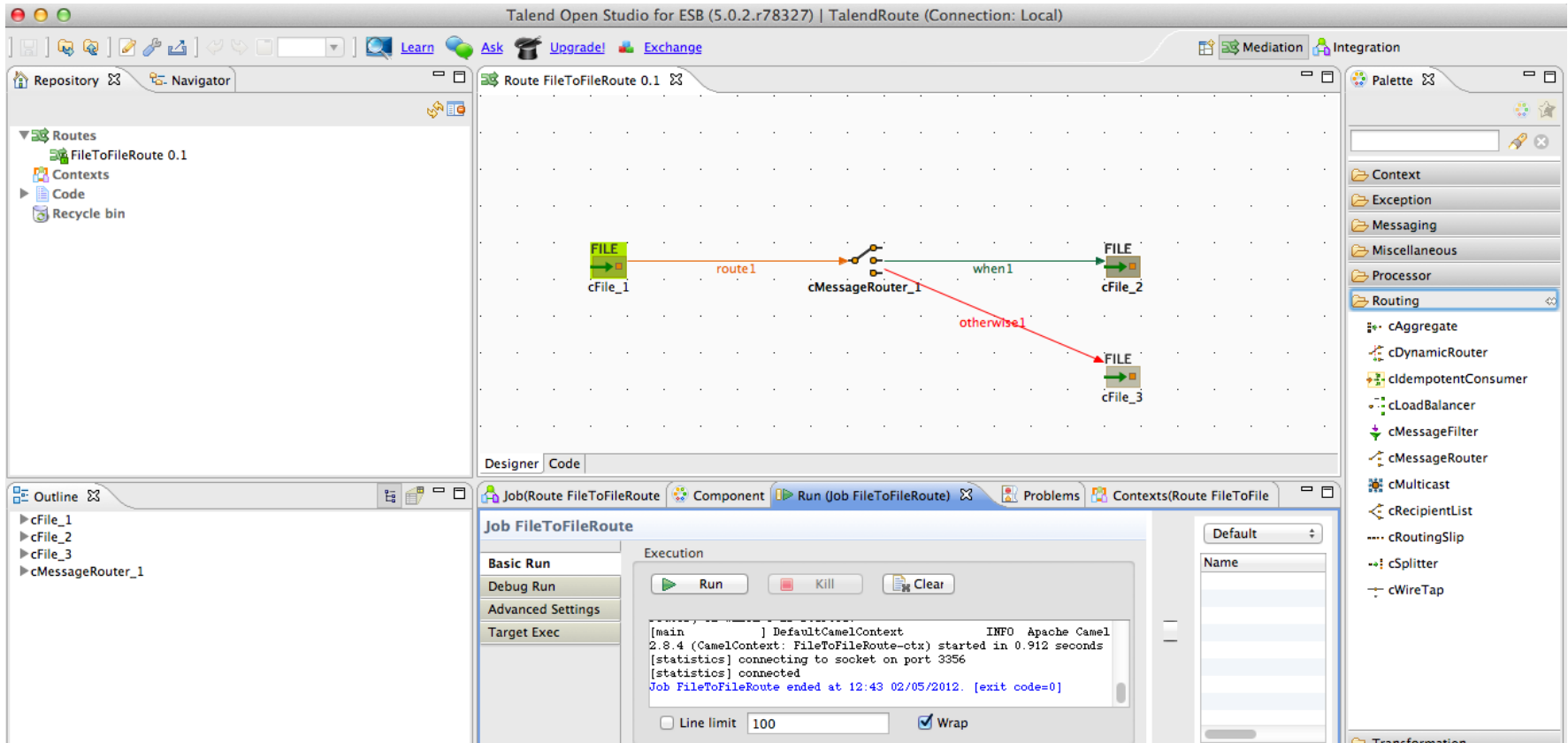


## Pro

- Visual Designer for Camel routes
- Visual „Live Monitoring“ (for debugging, browsing, tracing)
- Vice versa Editing (code generation vs. coding by-hand)
- Just a simple Eclipse-Plugin – „Just Camel“
- Intuitive GUI
- Export of route diagrams
- JUnit Test Wizard (generates scaffolding for tests)

## Contra

- Proprietary
- Subscription required
- Only XML DSL (this is not really a contra, because only Camel offers other DSLs)



The screenshot displays the Talend Open Studio for ESB interface. The main workspace shows a route configuration for 'Route FileToFileRoute 0.1'. The route starts with a 'FILE' component labeled 'cFile\_1', which connects to a 'cMessageRouter\_1' component via a link named 'route1'. From 'cMessageRouter\_1', the route branches into two paths: one labeled 'when1' leading to a 'FILE' component 'cFile\_2', and another labeled 'otherwise1' leading to a 'FILE' component 'cFile\_3'. The interface includes a Navigator on the left, a Palette on the right, and a Job execution window at the bottom.

The Job execution window for 'Job FileToFileRoute' shows the following log output:

```
[main ] DefaultCamelContext INFO Apache Camel  
2.8.4 (CamelContext: FileToFileRoute-ctx) started in 0.912 seconds  
[statistics] connecting to socket on port 3356  
[statistics] connected  
Job FileToFileRoute ended at 12:43 02/05/2012. [exit code=0]
```

Additional details in the Job execution window include a 'Line limit' of 100 and a checked 'Wrap' option.

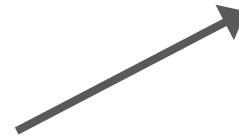
## Pro

- Visual Designer for Camel routes
- Visual „Live Monitoring“
- Open Source (at github)
- Community Edition (not all features)
- Zero Coding

## Contra

- Zero Coding
- Only Java DSL (plus a lot of boilerplate code)
- No vice versa code editing (only code generation)
- No intuitive user interface
  - => no simple Eclipse plugin
  - => based on Eclipse, but it is more an own product (1GB)
  - => **full ESB only**

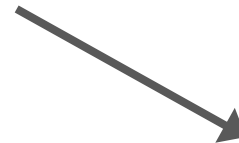
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**Integration**



**Mule ESB**



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- Spring Project
- „Typical“ JVM Technologies
- No additional Framework



  
**spring**  
**Integration**

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- One of the available proprietary Connectors is required



**Mule ESB**



  
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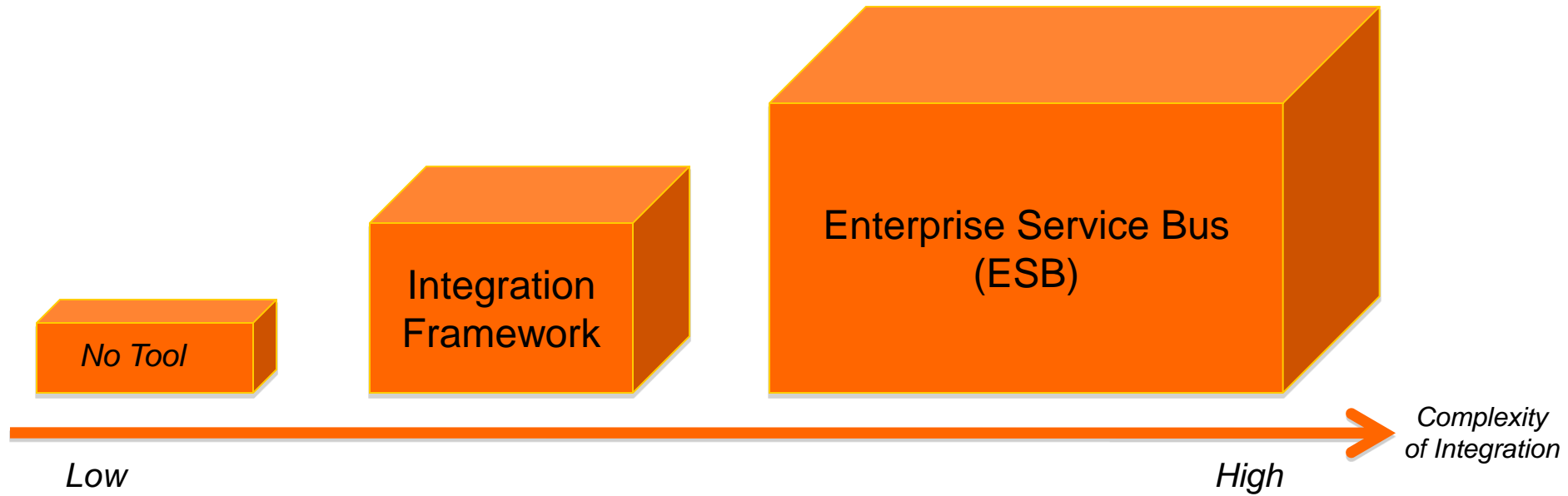
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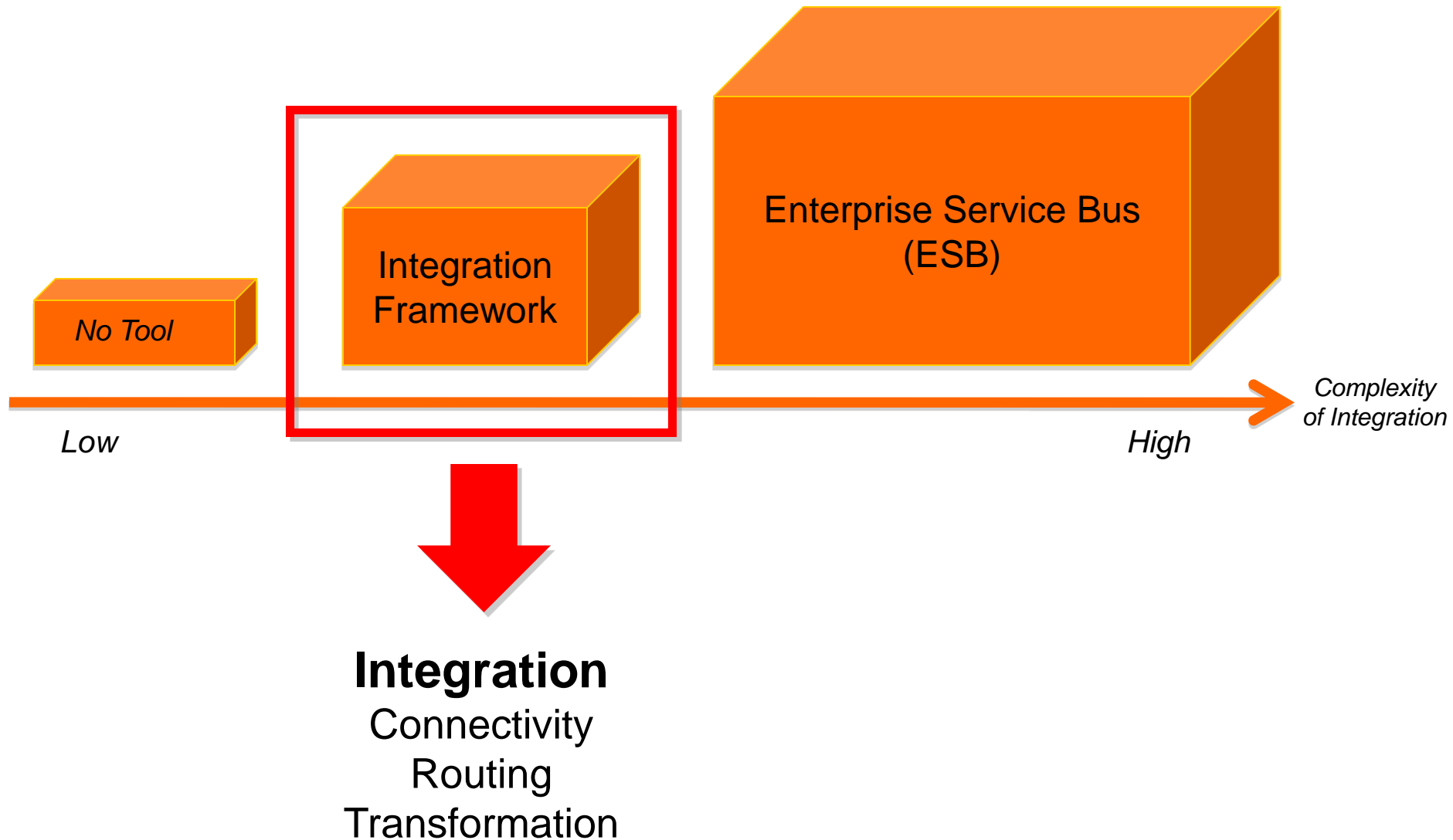
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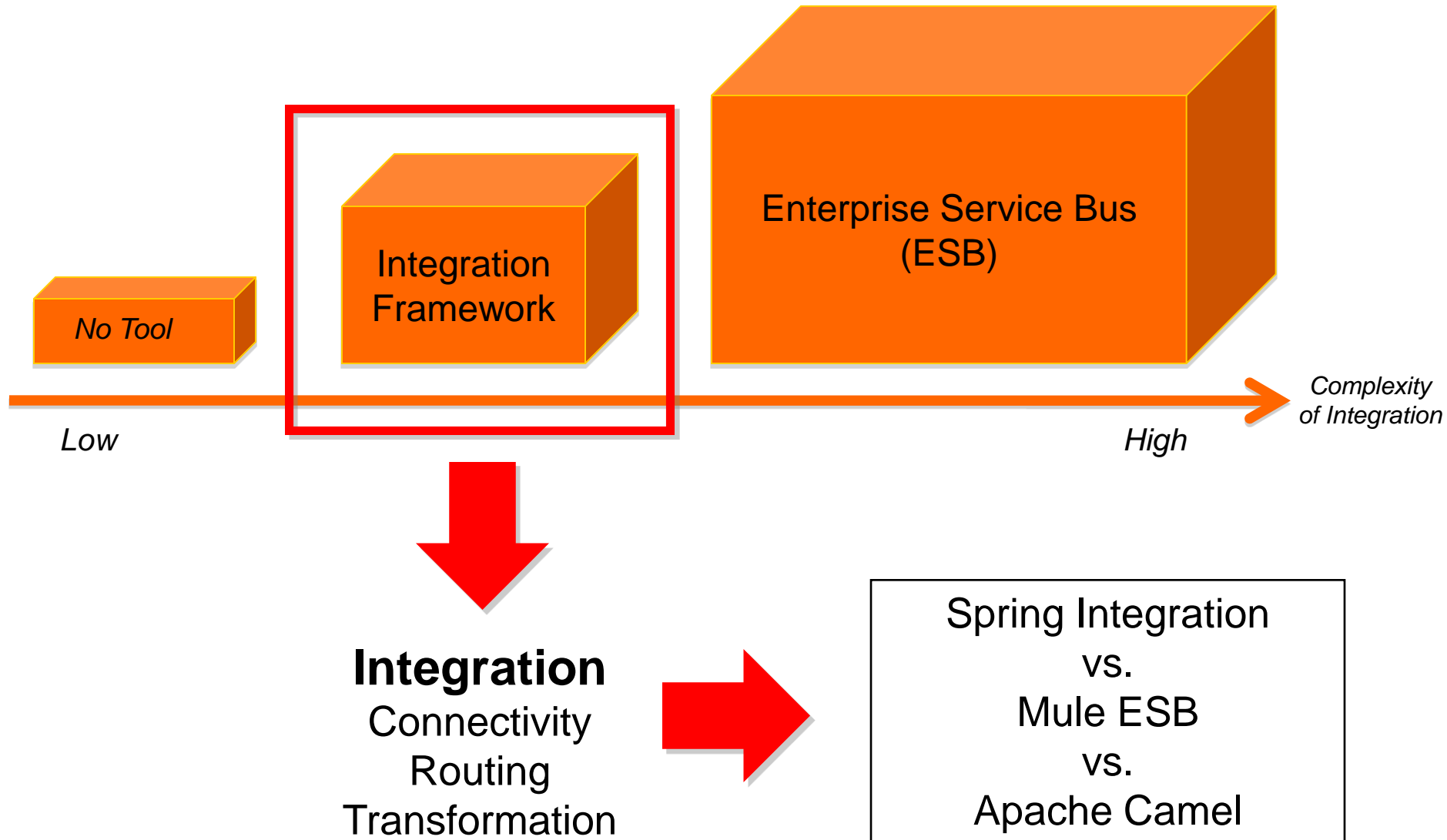


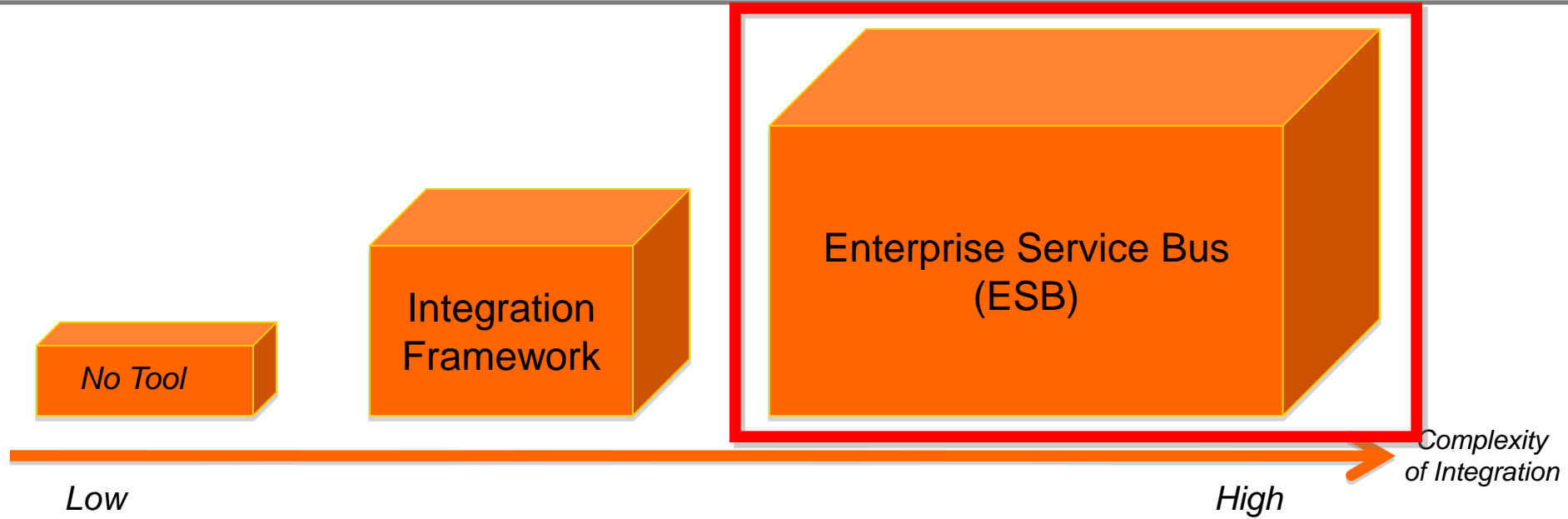
**Apache**  
**Camel**

A stylized illustration of a camel in profile, facing right, positioned behind the text 'Apache Camel'.

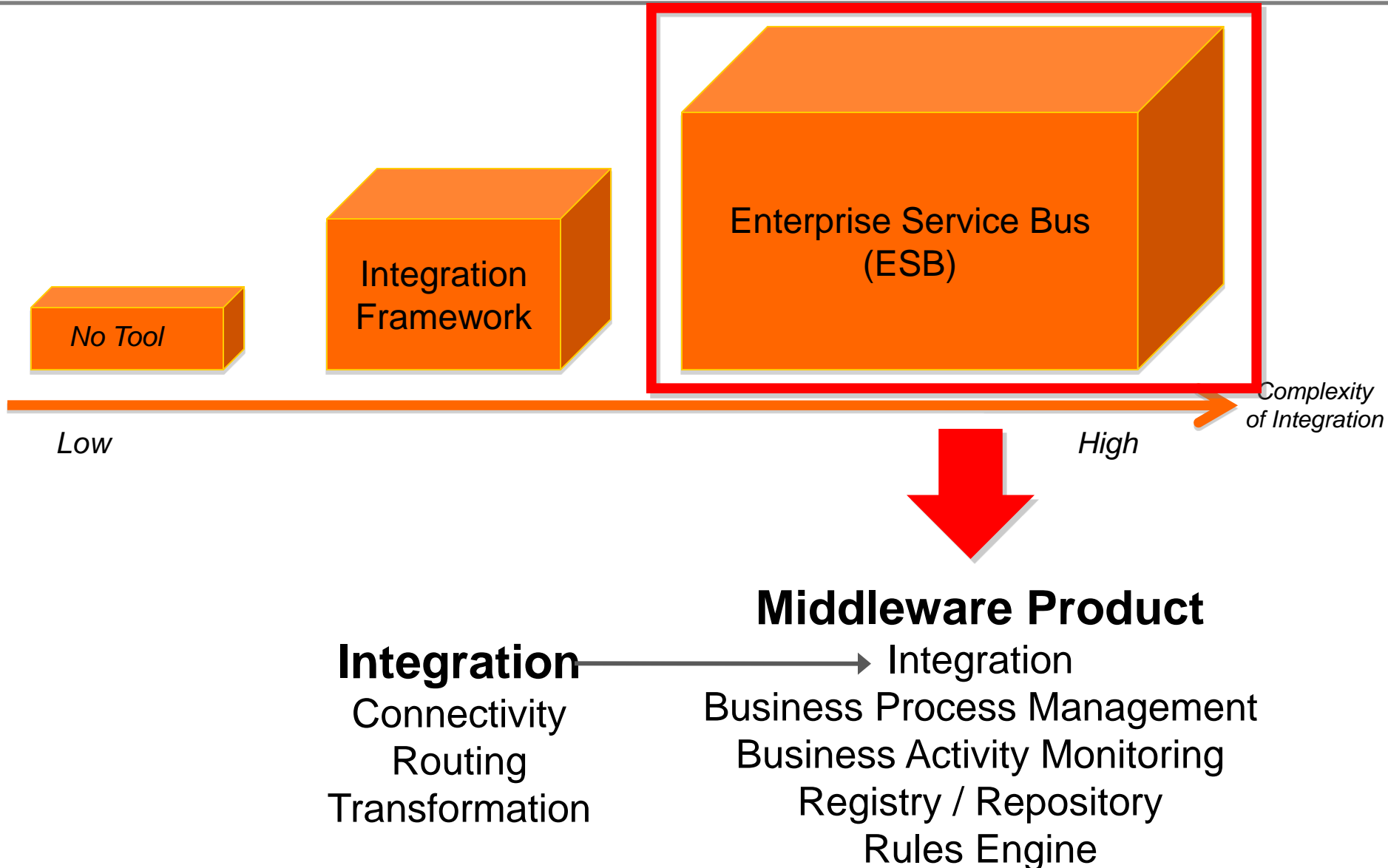


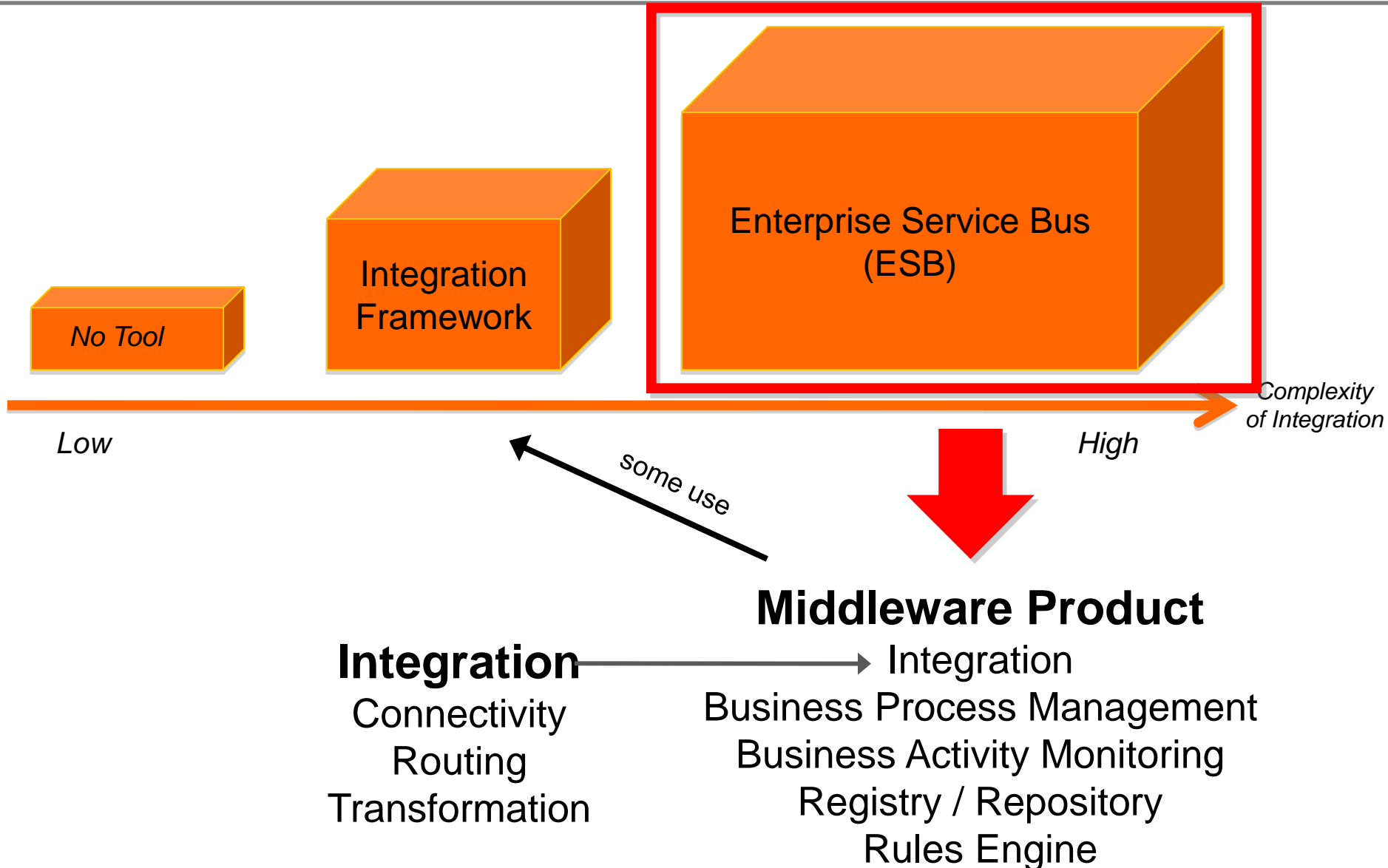


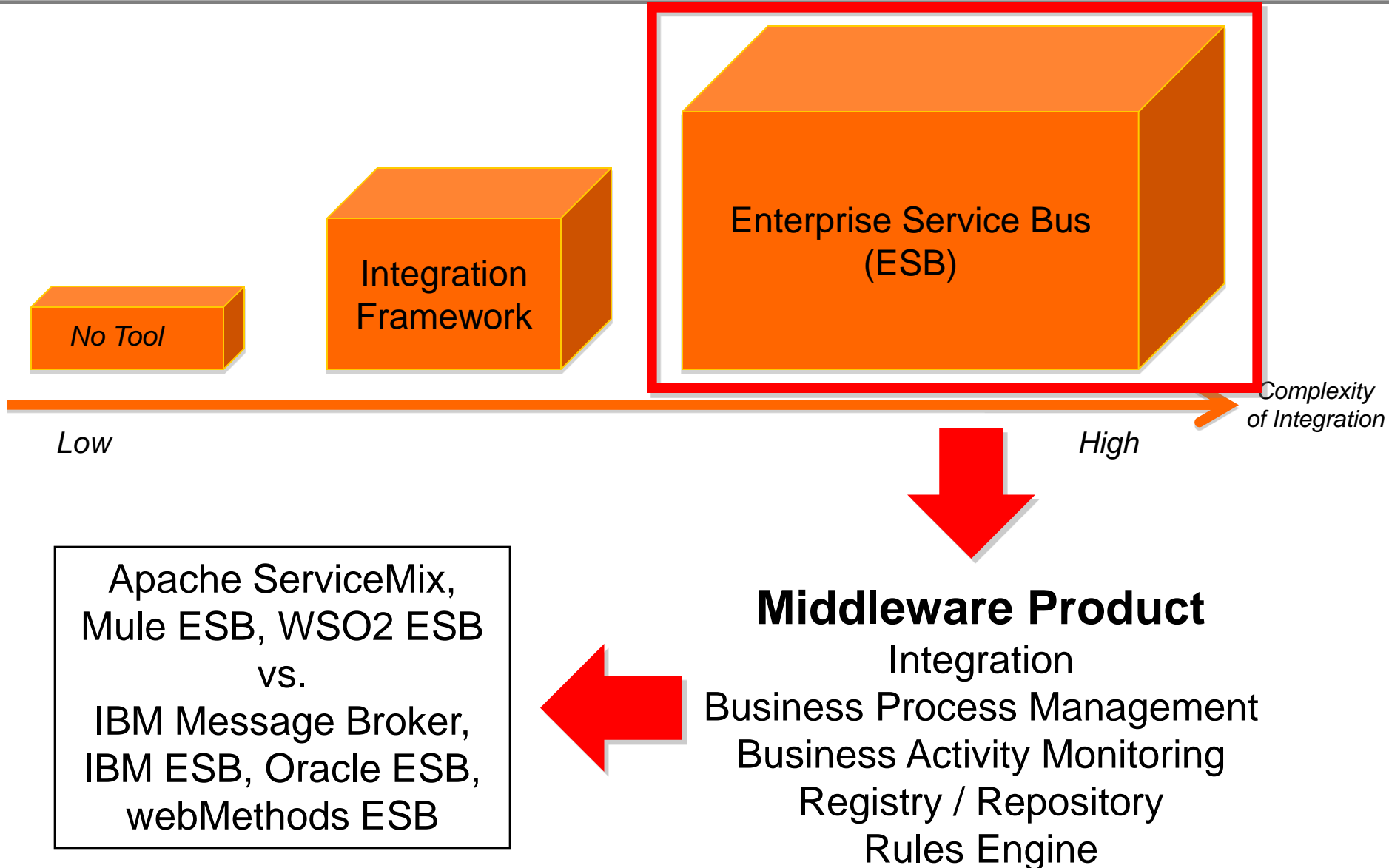


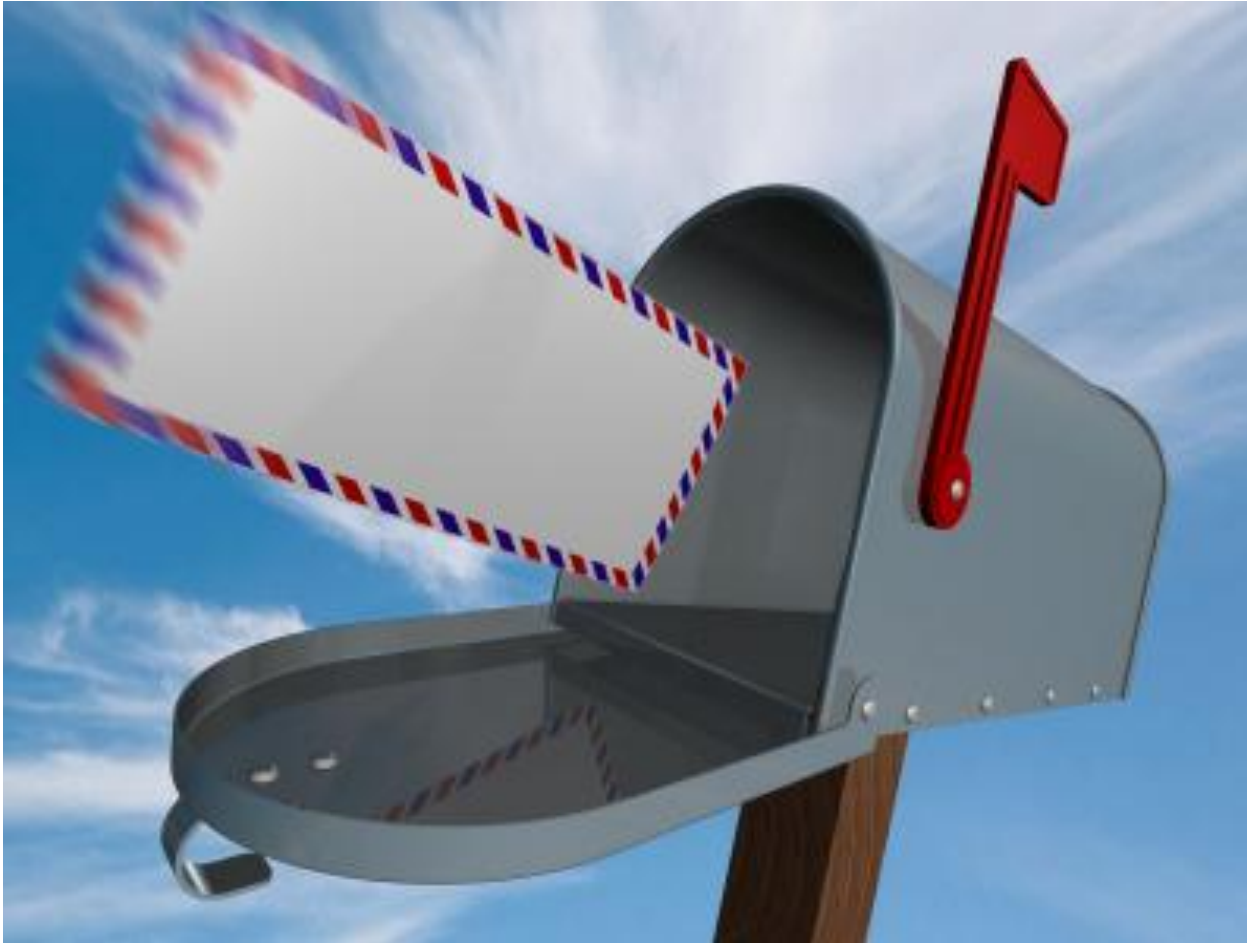


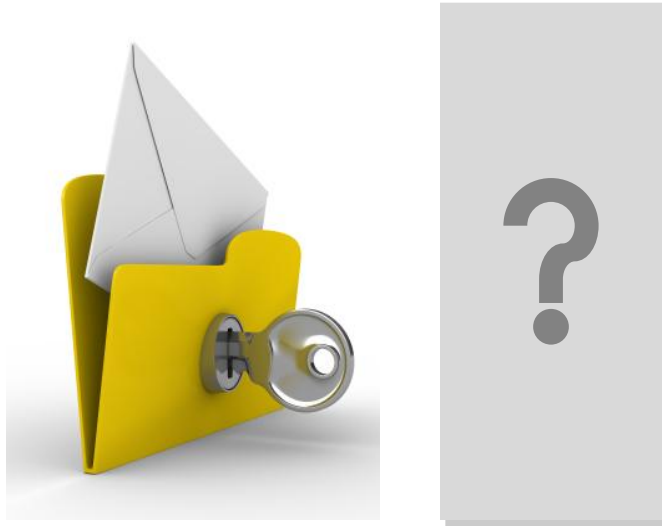










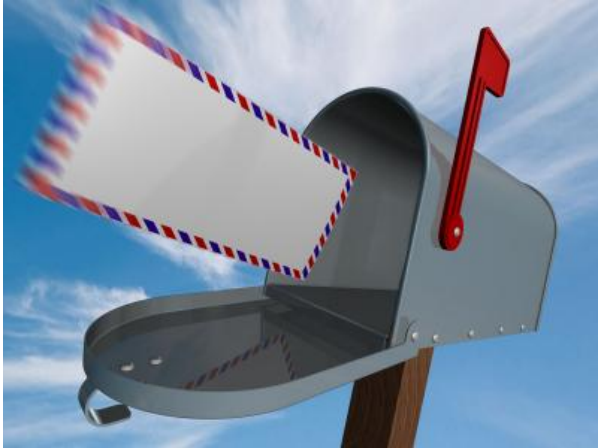


Do not reinvent the „integration wheel“ 

There are some good alternatives for Integratic 

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# Did you get the Key Messages?





Thank you for your Attention. Any Questions?

 or **Mule ESB** or  = **Smart EAI**

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