# Pragmatic Service-orientated Integration – Camel just got CXFy

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#### This presentation, in a nutshell.

 CXF was, is, and continues to be a great framework for REST and SOAP web services.

Make the *right* implementation choice for your services

- Straight up business logic / DB access / API : 'Code it up in Java / Scala'!
  - Go with the flow: EIP-based implementation and orchestration with Camel!

 CXF's integration with Camel makes EIP-based implementations easy.

• And, it's very, very popular.

# Meet ... me.

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#### My love affair with CXF – Dude, get a room!

- Love at first sight...
  - Celtx (2004), CXF (2005 wrote first CXF training course, consulted ever since)
- What's not to love?
  - Standards-based, extensible, open-source, Apachelicensed, fast, light, modular, supported.
- We've grown closer over time.
  - Tight integration with ServiceMix and Camel.
  - REST, WS-\*, JMS, ...
  - CXF Webinar Series at FuseSource .com

#### **REST & SOAP on the enterprise adoption hype curve**



# **Observations on adoption of Service Oriented Architecture**

- WSDL/SOAP has moved from hype to pragmatic, no-fuss adoption.
- WSDL was (and still is) way too hard.
  - There are very view people who can design a good contract.
  - But it's worth it benefits of technology agnostic interface are tangible.
- Pragmatic adoption despite big SOA scare tactics.
  - "You need a \$\$\$ registry / repository!"

- The world and its auntie loves REST
  - However, few are engaging in 'high REST' (HMATEOS)
  - Some are yearning for a return to contract-driven SOA
- Simplicity? +1. It's no longer acceptable to be complicated and misunderstood.
  - From "your software is so difficult to understand – you're awesome!"
  - To: "I couldn't be bothered trying to figure out your sucky stack."



#### Pragmatic 'Service Oriented Integration'

- 'Everything is a web service' philosophy is dangerous.
  - Time consuming. Slow. Unrealistic. Tightly coupled. Synchronous. Silly... yet promoted by the classic SOA architecture where "BPEL is the glue"



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#### Pragmatic 'Service Oriented Integration'

- Embrace heterogeneity in your middleware / integration stack.
  - Use web service as a *façade*
  - Behind the façade? Do whatever you like. That's an implementation detail.
- Let's take a real customer example.
  - A customer very new to SOA.
  - Initial design: 'module == web service' && 'orchestration = BPEL'.
    - Why? SWAG: Simple wild ass guess.
    - Innocence. No in-house experience with WSDL, XSD, or BPEL.
  - Final design:
    - Façade == web service
    - Module == JAVA service (OSGi)
    - Orchestration == Camel.



#### Overuse of WS-\* 😁

Correct identification of modules; *incorrect* assignment of modularity to technology.



#### Use-case 1: Orchestration via EIP



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Snippet of Camel for previous route shown below..

```
<camelContext xmlns="http://camel.apache.org/schema/spring">
    <route errorHandlerRef="noErrorHandler">
        <from uri="cxf:bean:MyWebService"/>
       <to uri="direct:productTypeRouter"/>
    </route>
    <route errorHandlerRef="noErrorHandler">
        <from uri="direct:productTypeRouter" />
            <choice>
                <when>
                    <methodCall bean="determineProductType" method="isProductTypeA" />
                    <to uri="productTypeA" />
                </when>
                <when>
                    <methodCall bean="determineProductType" method="isProductTypeB" />
                   <to uri="productTypeB"
                </when>
                <otherwise>
                   <to uri="unknownProductTypeProcessor" />
                </otherwise>
           </choice>
                                                  Aside: these processors were
    </route>
                                                  deployed as OSGi services, &
</camelContext>
                                                  injected in via Spring DM
                                                                               Filse
                                                  configuration.
```

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## Use-case 2: asynch processing from SOAP/HTTP to JMS

- A very common usage of Camel and CXF is to provide a web service that offloads work for asynchronous processing later.
  - Message is placed onto a JMS queue, and then an acknowledgement is returned.
  - Work is carried out later.





# Use-case 2: asynch processing from SOAP/HTTP to JMS (cont')





# Use-case 2: asynch processing from SOAP/HTTP to JMS (cont')

- Place incoming payload onto a reliable JMS queue for offline processing, and return an acknowledgment response.
  - Note usage of inOut and jmsMessageType when sending to the queue!
  - Note creation of response from inline XML neat!



## Using Xpath and templates for request-response traffic

- Nice idea: inject values into a pre-packaged XML template.
  - Use XPath to extract useful data from the request and store as a header.
  - Inject response values into XML!

```
<when>
<simple>${in.header.operationName} == 'getCustomerStatus'</simple>
<convertBodyTo type="org.w3c.dom.Node"/>
<setHeader headerName="customerId">
<spath resultType="java.lang.String">/cus:getCustomerStatus/customerId</xpath>
</setHeader>
<to uri="getCustomerStatus"/>
<to uri="velocity:getCustomerStatusResponse.vm"/>
</when>

Processor does the work of getting the customer status, maybe from a DB or backend system.
```



## Using headers to transmit request information...

 A custom Processor can retrieve the customerId, and store response information as headers on the message.

```
public class GetCustomerStatus implements Processor
{
    public void process(Exchange exchng) throws Exception {
        String id = exchng.getIn().getHeader("customerId", String.class);
        // Maybe do some kind of lookup here!
        //
        exchng.getIn().setHeader("status", "Away");
        exchng.getIn().setHeader("statusMessage", "Going to sleep.");
    }
}
```



#### Creating a response using Velocity

- Headers from the Camel Exchange are injected easily into a Velocity template using \${headers.<headerName>} place-holders.
  - Example velocity template (src/main/resources/getCustomerStatusResponse.vm):

<ns2:getCustomerStatusResponse
 xmlns:ns2="http://demo.fusesource.com/wsdl/CustomerService/">
 <status>\${headers.status}</status>
 <statusMessage>\${headers.statusMessage}</statusMessage>
</ns2:getCustomerStatusResponse>



### Use-case throttling access to third-party services

- Problem: invoke on a web service, ensuring that invocations and retries do not exceed messages per time period...
  - Motivation: breaking the third-party web service's SLA involves \$\$\$ penalties.
- Can use the throttle() EIP from Camel!
  - Note that to ensure throttle is applied to retries, we must 'spin' out the throttled code to separate route.
  - This is because retry logic is applied at the point of a failed processor, not at the entire route.



## Throttling access to third-party services (cont')

 Phase 1: Set up error handling for retry processing, then delegate invocation on web service as a second route.

```
from("timer:t?delay=0&period=15000")
.onException(WebServiceException.class)
  .maximumRedeliveries(3)
  .redeliverDelay(500)
  .to("direct:unableToProcess")
  .end()
.process(
    new Processor() {
      public void process(Exchange exchange) throws Exception {
        Exchange newExchange = exchange.copy();
        producer.send("direct:sendToCXFEndpoint", newExchange);
        if (newExchange.getException() != null) {
          System.out.println("Failure communicating with web service."
                             + newExchange.getException());
          throw newExchange.getException();
        }
      3
    });
```



#### Throttling access to third-party services (cont')

Phase 2: throttle the logic that invokes on the web service.

```
from("direct:sendToCXFEndpoint")
.throttle(1).timePeriodMillis(3000)
.process(new Processor() {
    public void process(Exchange exchange) throws Exception {
        Base64Binary image = new Base64Binary();
        image.setContentType("application/octet-stream");
        image.setValue(exchange.getIn().getBody(String.class).getBytes());
        System.out.println("ACTUALLY INVOKING ON THE SERVICE .");
        imageProcessor.processImage(image);
    }
});
    CXF client proxy.
```





## **CXF** Deployment Models



# Deploying web services using JEE web archives (WARs)

- ServiceMix supports WARs using the Jetty servlet engine.
- You must install the ServiceMix 'war' feature...
  - ... and copy the 'war' file to the <servicemix-base>/deploy directory.
- Benefits:
  - Simple WAR deployment
  - Works for Tomcat and Jff servers.
- Drawbacks
  - 'Fat' deployment, approx 8Mb per service.





# Deploying web services using OSGi bundles

- Package as an OSGi bundle with Spring-DM or 'Blueprint' metadata.
  - Service can use it's own HTTP Jetty engine or share the OSGi HTTP service (see next slide)
- Benefits:
  - Adopt modular OSGi architecture with shared services and shared code.
  - Versioned artifacts
  - Lightweight deployables approx 16k (500 times smaller than equivalent WAR!)
  - Allows 'per-service' control over HTTP port configuration





# Simplify configuration of CXF – leave it to the container!

- Fuse ESB enables HTTP access using the OSGi HTTP Service, implemented using 'pax-web'
  - Install the 'http' feature fully configurable HTTP stack powered by Jetty
- Uses port 8080 by default.
  - All HTTP options (including security) configured by etc/org.ops4j.pax.web.cfg
  - Example on next slide.
- CXF can 'piggy-back' onto that port.
  - Install the 'cxf-osgi' feature.





### org.ops4j.pax.web.cfg

- Sample configuration below *disables* HTTP and enables HTTPS
  - See <a href="http://wiki.ops4j.org/display/paxweb/Basic+Configuration">http://wiki.ops4j.org/display/paxweb/Basic+Configuration</a> for more.

org.osgi.service.http.enabled=false org.osgi.service.http.port=8080

org.osgi.service.http.port.secure=8443 org.osgi.service.http.secure.enabled=true

org.ops4j.pax.web.ssl.keystore=./etc/samwise.jks org.ops4j.pax.web.ssl.password=samwise org.ops4j.pax.web.ssl.keypassword=samwise

org.ops4j.pax.web.listening.addresses=samwise.local



## Deploying web services using JBI service assemblies

- Can configure the transport using the CXF 'binding component' and the implementation using the CXF 'service engine'.
- Benefits:
  - Can integrate with other JBI components.
- Drawbacks:
  - JBI packaging often overly complicated for most cases.
- Recommendation: prefer the OSGi, WAR or Camel (next slide!) approaches.





# Using CXF with Camel in ServiceMix

- Can use the camel-cxf component to create integration flows that provide and consume SOAP or REST interfaces.
- Benefits
  - Easily route marshaled (JAX-B) or unmarshaled (DomSource / SoapMessage) content.
  - Build elegant integration flows based on Enterprise Integration Patterns (EIPs)
  - Can integrate with ServiceMix 4's NMR for scalability, flexibility and clustering.





## All these choices...

- Apache ServiceMix thrives on innovation and experimentation.
  - ... it's not surprising that ServiceMix provides many ways to implement web services.
- My recommendations:
  - If you want to using/implement web services using Java programming, then use CXF's JAX-WS support and package as OSGi bundles.
  - If you want to route SOAP traffic with little marshalling overhead, then use Camel's camel-cxf component.



#### Parting words



# Adopting CXF? Your team needs the following...

- Maven / Ant skills (code generation + build + packaging)
- JAX-WS / JAX-B
- XSD
- WSDL
- Either:
  - Good Java,
  - Spring Framework, or
  - Blueprint
- Either:
  - OSGi packaging
  - WAR packaging







#### Summary

- Camel gives new EIP-based techniques for implementing web services.
  - Camel-CXF gives you the smart endpoint technology.
    - Also: camel-restlet, camel-http, camel-jetty, and camel-jaxrs are all relevant!
  - Camel DSL gives you elegant EIPs: content-based router, transformer, protocol switch, throttle, ...
- Camel lets your choose the *right* integration technology for the job at hand.
  - Use WS/REST for your external entry points.
  - Use EIPs and other camel components for orchestrating and implementing your integration flows!



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