Web Services and SOA

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What is a Web Service?

"A Web service is a software system designed to support interoperable machine-to-machine interaction over a network."

> W3C Web Services Architecture Working Group, W3C Working Group Note 11 February 2004

Types of Web Services

RPC Services

- More tightly coupled
- Deal with operations
- Document based services
 - More loosely coupled
 - Deal with messages

RESTful

- Use common technologies and operations
- Deal with state

Example Order Class

class Order {
 public \$customerID;

}

/* Create New or Retrieve Order */
public function ____constructor(\$orderID=0) { }

/* Add Product to Order object */
public function addProduct(\$sku, \$quantity) { }

/* Save Order - returns orderID */
public function saveOrder() { }

/* retrieve orders by Customer ID */
static function getOrders(\$customerID) { }

Example Order

/* Instantiate New Order Object */
\$oOrder = new Order();
\$oOrder->customerID = 12345;

/* Add Some Products */
\$oOrder->addProduct(12345, 1);
\$oOrder->addProduct(67890, 2);

/* Place the Order */
\$orderID = \$oOrder->saveOrder();

Order Processor Interface

orderType getOrder(int \$orderID)

int createOrder(orderType \$order)

orderListType getOrders(int \$clientID)

OrderType Definition

```
<complexType name="OrderType">
```

<sequence>

<element name="orderId" type="ID" nillable="true"/>
<element name="customerId" type="integer"/>
<element maxOccurs="unbounded" ref="tns2:item"/>
</sequence>
</complexType>

Item Definition

```
<element name="item">
<complexType>
<sequence>
<element name="itemId" type="integer"/>
<element name="quantity" type="integer"/>
</sequence>
</complexType>
</element>
```

Messages

```
<element name="createOrder">
  <complexType>
  <sequence>
    <element name="order" type="tns2:OrderType"/>
    </sequence>
    </sequence>
    </complexType>
</element>
</element name="createOrderResponse" type="integer"/>
```

```
<message name="createOrderRequest">
```

<part name="createOrderRequest" element="tns2:createOrder"/>
</message>

```
<message name="createOrderResponse">
```

<part name="return" element="tns2:createOrderResponse"/>
</message>

PHP Type Classes

```
class cItem {
    public $itemId;
    public $quantity;
```

}

}

```
public function __construct($itemId, $quantity) {
    $this->itemId = $itemId;
    $this->quantity = $quantity;
}
```

```
class cOrder {
   public $orderId = NULL;
   public $customerId;
   public $item = array();
```

SOAP Server

function createOrder(\$message) {
 /* logic for placing order */
 /* return newly created Order ID
 return \$orderID;

) {

\$server = new SoapServer("order.wsdl");
\$server->addFunction("createOrder");
\$server->handle();

SOAP Client

\$sClient = new SoapClient('order.wsdl');

/* Instantiate new order object and set customer ID*/
\$order = new cOrder();
\$order->customerId = 1111;

/* Add some products */
\$order->item[] = new cItem('12345', 1);
\$order->item[] = new cItem('67890', 2);

\$orderID = \$sClient->createOrder(array('order'=>\$order));
print \$orderID;

Service Oriented Architecture SOA

The SOA Hype

- Increased Return on Investment (ROI)
- Customer Retention
- Faster time to market
- Seamless Interoperability
- Decrease development time
- Simplify System maintenance
- Business Agility
- Re-usability

SOA Facts www.soafacts.com

- Guns don't kill people, the SOA WS-* stack kills people.
- SOA is being used in the developing world to solve hunger. Entire populations will be fed on future business value.
- Not content to just best sliced bread, SOA is actually the best thing since beer, wine, coffee, ice cream, chocolate... oh, and sliced bread.
- Dante has a special level in hell for consultants whose resumes do not say SOA.
- SOA building contractor jobs, one Visio slide at a time.
- The Answer to the Ultimate Question about Life, the Universe, and Everything is SOA

What is SOA? Simplified and Generalized Answer

Service-oriented architecture is a style of building applications based on independent and re-usable building blocks that provide some specific functionality.



Building Blocks are Services

A collection of related endpoints
Loosely Coupled
Well Defined Interfaces
Interface Granularity
Reusable
Discoverable

SOA Model



Common Technologies

SOAP

- Web Service Definition Language (WSDL)
- Universal Description Discovery and Integration (UDDI)
- **WS-**?
 - WS-Security
 - WS-Address
 - WS-xxxxx

May often hear this referred to a WS-*

SOA and REST

SOA



Order Processing getOrder(o_id) getOrders(c_id) addOrder(c_id, Order) updateOrder(Order)

/orders

/orders/{o_id}

/customers

/customers/{c_id}

/customers/{c_id}/orders



Customer Management getCustomer(c_id) getCustomers() newCustomer(C) updateCustomer(C)

SOA: More than WS-*

- Many definitions of SOA do not preclude REST
- Different jobs require different tools
- Common Goals
 - Distributed
 - Interoperability
 - Reusability
 - Loosely coupled

Arguments for WS-* Stack

- Existing architecture
- Legacy System Integration
- Granular Security Requirements
- Two-phase commits
- Asynchronous Messaging
- Target Consumers

Implementing SOA A Continuous Cycle

Clearly define why you are going to implement SOA Everyone else is doing it so why shouldn't we? Tangible reasons that would be beneficial to the company All levels of the organization must see the benefits Impacts many areas of a company from finance to operations Unless everyone buys into the idea it will fail from the start Assess and evaluate the current infrastructure Visualize the infrastructure by areas of functionality Are there areas that will benefit the most? Make a Plan Clearly identify what and how you plan on implementing

DO NOT START OFF TO BIG!

Initial Architecture



Financial Application Customer Relationship Application Salesperson Management Application

Local Office

Initial Software Architecture



Tightly coupled Re-Usability Object Oriented coding Organized procedural code Agility based on how fast we can code and get things tested Local office used third party stand alone applications

The Growing Pains

- Customer base is growing
- Organization is growing
- Existing infrastructure no longer meets company needs
 - Need more robust Customer Management system
 - Need more robust SalesPerson Management system
 - Business requires tighter integration into public web applications
- Keep expenses down
- Time to market is critical!

Git 'Er Done!



So Where's the SOA?

Potential Disadvantages

- We now have duplicate code
- Multiple systems performing similar functionality
- Potential higher maintenance costs
- More systems to administer
- Potential Advantages
 - Systems were rolled out quick
 - Minimal cost to develop applications
 - No impact on rest of organization

Things to Consider

- Justification or Mandate?
- Existing problems or challenges?
- Is it cost effective?
- It is time effective?
- Impact on current projects and applications
- Plan before you execute
 - What do you expect to achieve?
 - Not everything should be a service

Finally implementing SOA

Order Processing

- Order information must be exposed to our clients
- Orders must be accessible from a number of different systems
- 100% uptime is critical for public E-commerce system
- Payment Processing
 - Multiple applications process payments
 - Need to be able to globally swap out underlying processor being used
 - 100% uptime is critical for public E-commerce system

The Architecture



Order Processing Service

Order Processing Interface

Order Class __constructor(\$orderID=0) saveOrder() addProduct() getOrders(\$customerID) getOrder(\$orderID) createOrder(Order) getOrders(\$clientID)

SOAP Binding

Look before you Leap!

Is the service critical to the business? What happens in the event of network problems? What happens in the event of hardware problems? Are there any security issues? Is HTTPS sufficient? Does WS-Security need to be leveraged? Are there any other authentication factors to consider? How do you keep track of all the services? Are they tracked manually? How do you know which ones are available? Do you implement a UDDI Registry?

Service Component Architecture SCA

Service Component Architecture (SCA)

- Project by the Open Service Oriented Architecture (OSOA) collaboration http://www.osoa.org/display/Main/Home
- Allows the developer to concentrate on the business logic rather than how it is all connected together
- http://www.osoa.org/display/PHP/SOA+PHP+Homepage
- Combined with the SDO extension
- Pecl repository: http://pecl.php.net/package/SCA_SDO
- Still in development

SCA



SCA Component

include "SCA/SCA.php";

/**

- * @service
- * @binding.ws
- * @binding.jsonrpc
- * @binding.rest.rpc

*/

class RobsService {

```
/** Find out who I am.
 * @return string Who I am.
 */
public function whoAmI()
{
 return "I am Rob Richards";
}
```

Calling the Component

include "SCA/SCA.php"; \$url = 'http://localhost/robsService.php';

/* Use SOAP Binding */
\$robservice = SCA::getService(\$url.'?wsdl');
\$whoami = \$robservice->whoAmI();

/* Use JSON Binding */
\$robservice = SCA::getService(\$url.'?smd');
\$whoami = \$robservice->whoAmI();

/* Use SOAP Binding */
\$client = new SoapClient(\$url.'?wsdl');
\$whoami = \$client->whoAmI();

/* Use REST Binding */
\$whoami = file_get_contents(\$url.'/whoAmI');

/* Use Local Binding */
\$robservice = SCA::getService('/home/rrichards/robweb/robsService.php');
\$whoami = \$robservice->whoAmI();

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QUESTIONS?

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