



# Core J2EE Patterns, Frameworks and Micro Architectures

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# Agenda

- Patterns
- Core J2EE Pattern Catalog Background
- J2EE Progressive Refactoring
- Pattern Frameworks
- Micro Architecture
  - Web Worker Micro Architecture Example
  - Messaging Micro Architecture Example
- Q&A

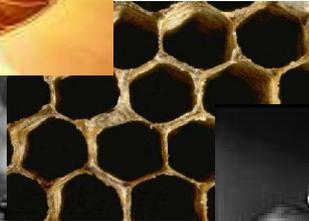
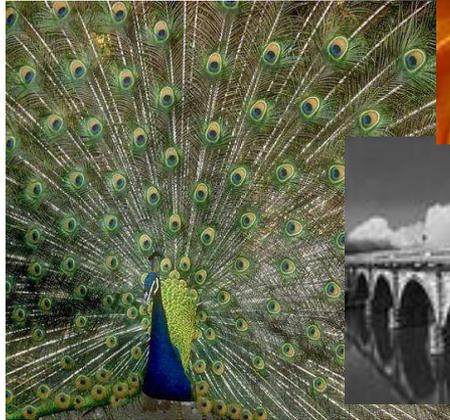
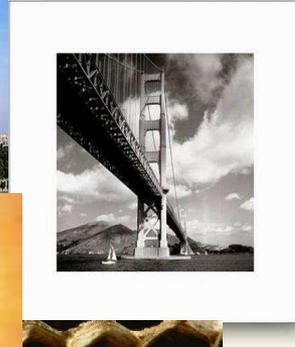
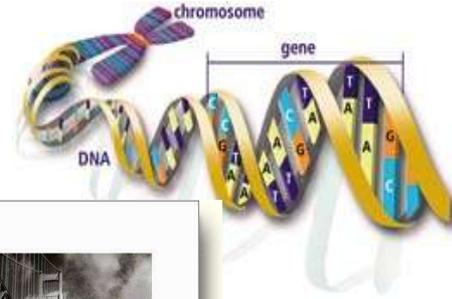
# Architectural Decisions Produce Varying Results



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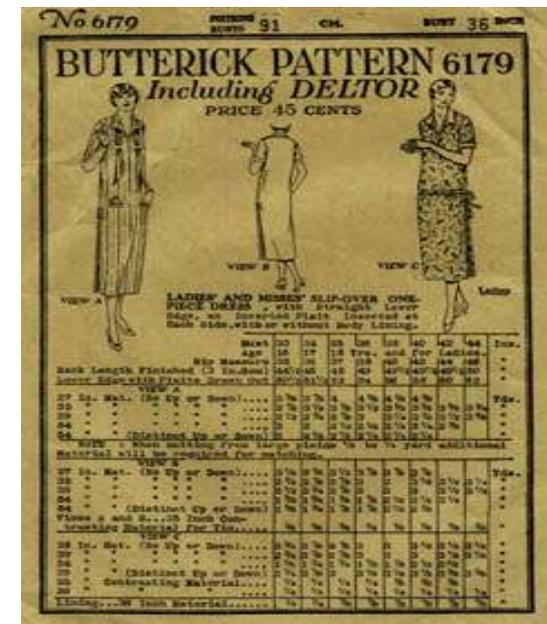


**J2EE**



# What Is A Pattern?

- “Solution to a recurring problem in a context”
  - Context : What is the environment like?
  - Problem : What do I want to do?
  - Solution : How do I do it?



# Patterns are...

- Abstractions
- Discovered, not created
- Difficult to see the appropriate granularity
- Mined from good designs
- Refactoring targets

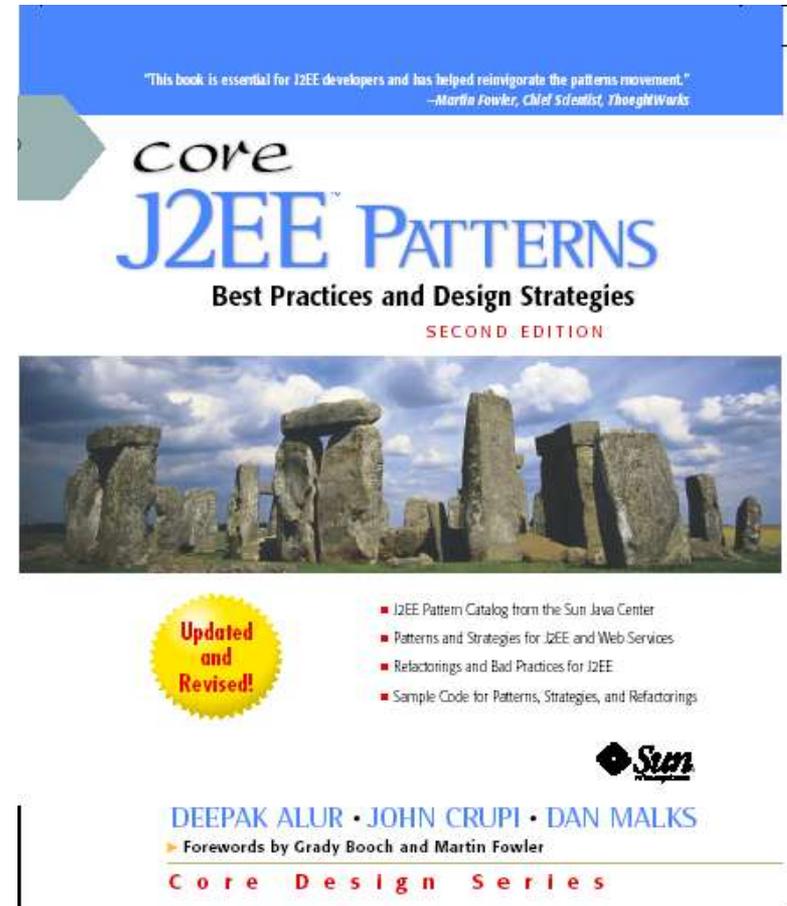
# Core J2EE Patterns

- Core J2EE Patterns are platform patterns.
  - The context is bounded by the J2EE platform
  - Built upon non-platform patterns – GoF

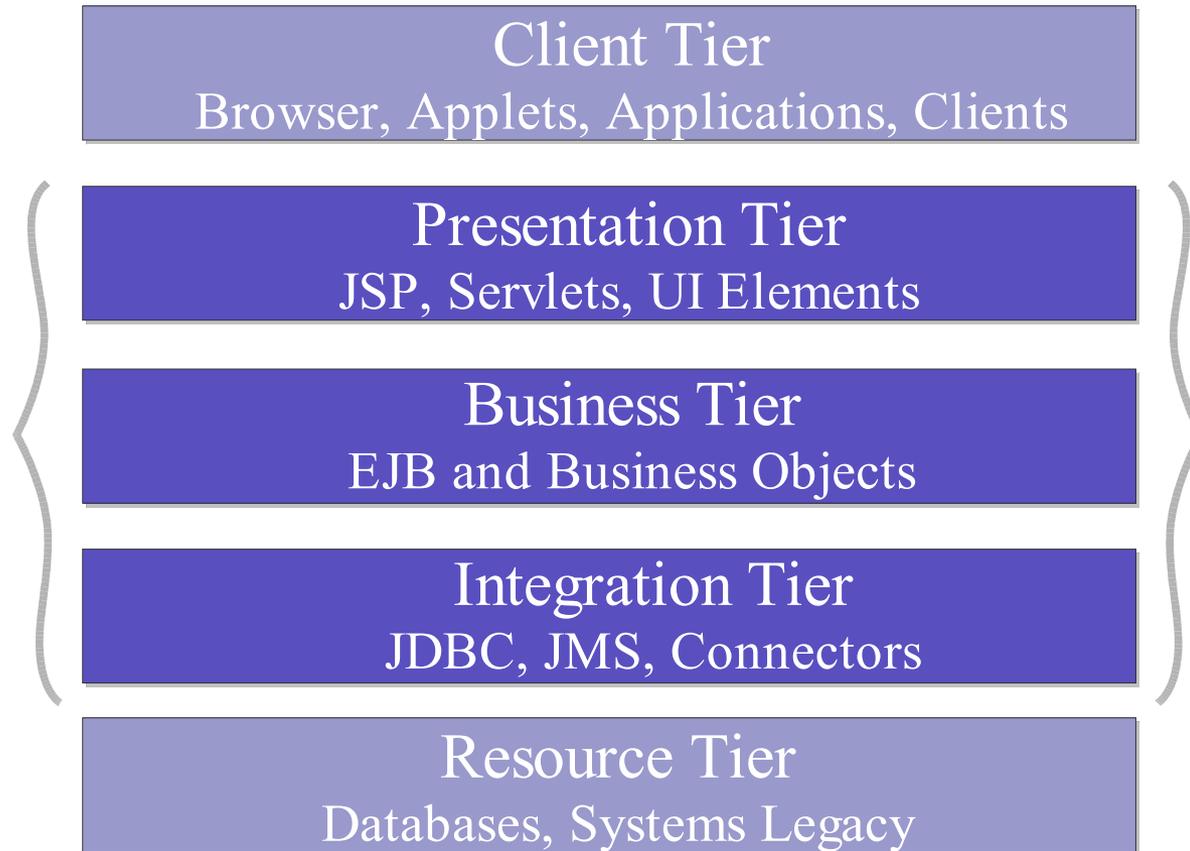


# Core J2EE Patterns Book

- 1<sup>st</sup> Edition June 2001
  - 15 Patterns categorized by tiers:
    - Presentation
    - Business
    - Integration
  - Lots of Code Samples
  - Design Considerations
  - Bad Practices
  - Refactorings
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- 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition JavaOne, June 2003
  - 21 patterns
  - Micro-architecture



# Core J2EE Patterns Book



J2EE Pattern Catalog  
Addresses 3 Tiers

# Pattern Format

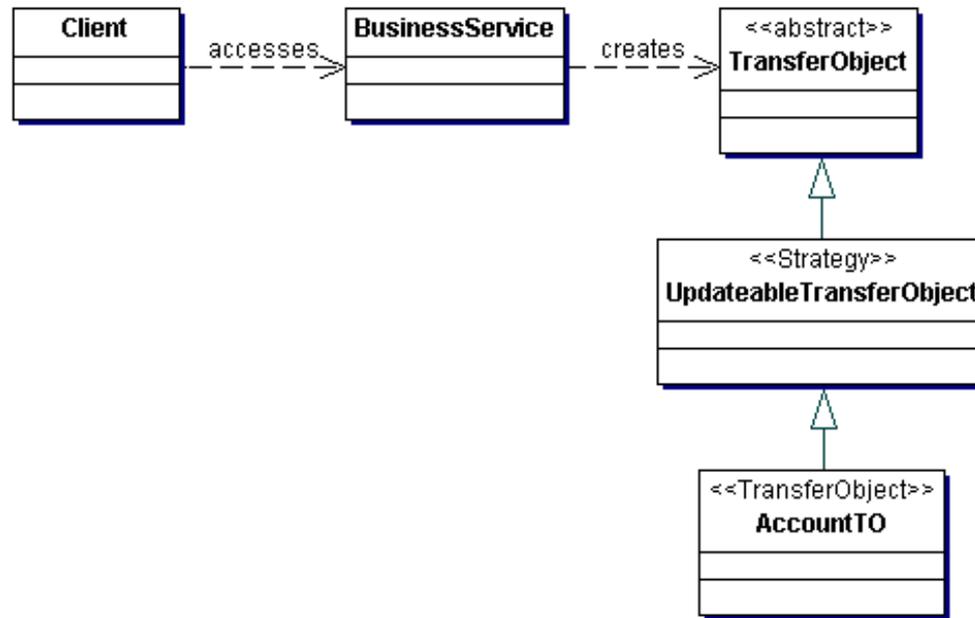
- Problem
- Forces
- Solution
  - Structure
  - Interaction
- Consequences
- Strategies



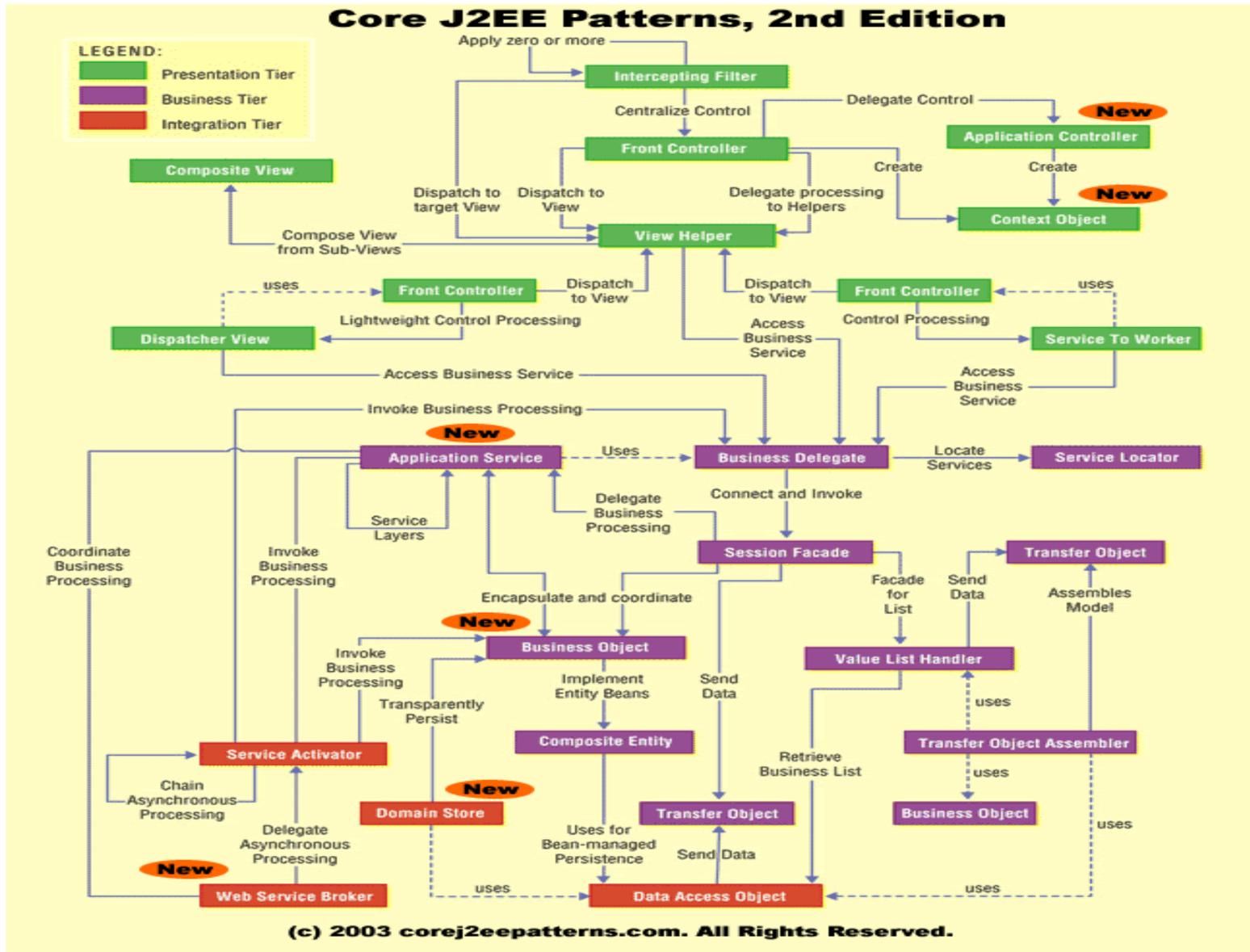
Extensibility

# Pattern Strategies

- Pattern is abstract and a strategy is (more) concrete



# Pattern Relationships



# Presentation-Tier Patterns

- Intercepting Filter
- Front Controller
- Composite View
- View Helper
- Service to Worker
- Dispatcher View
- Context Object *new*
- Application Controller *new*

# Business Tier Patterns

- Business Delegate
- Session Facade
- Service Locator
- Transfer Object
- Composite Entity
- Transfer Object Assembler
- Value List Handler
- Business Object *new*
- Application Service *new*

# Integration Patterns

- Data Access Object
- Service Activator
- Domain Store *new*
- Web Service Broker *new*

# New Patterns Facts

- Patterns represent abstractions emerging from using existing patterns in complex applications and flesh out pattern language (Context Object, Application Controller, Business Object, etc.).
- New patterns rely on POJO stereotype
- New patterns identify a “web container only” scenario
- Domain Store addresses Transparent Persistence (JDO and the like)
- Updated for J2EE 1.4 and Web Services

# Presentation Tier Patterns

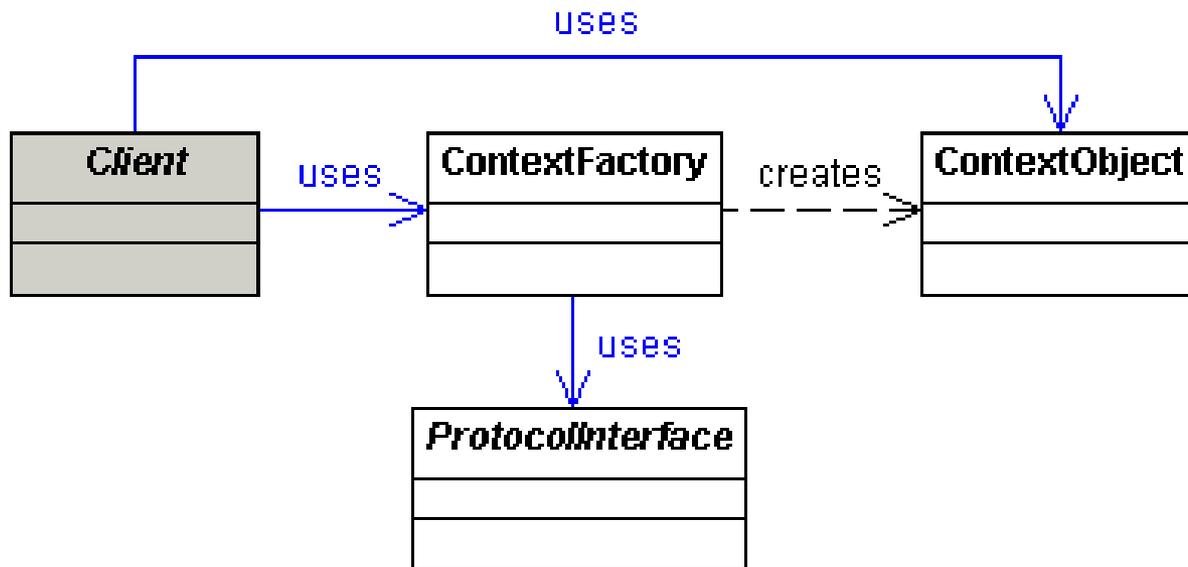
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# Context Object

- Problem:
  - You want to avoid using protocol-specific system information outside of its relevant context
- Forces:
  - You have components and services that need access to system information
  - You want to decouple application components and services from the protocol specifics of system information
  - You want to expose only the relevant APIs within a context

# Context Object

- Solution:
  - Use a Context Object to encapsulate state in a protocol-independent way to be shared throughout your application



# Context Object Strategies

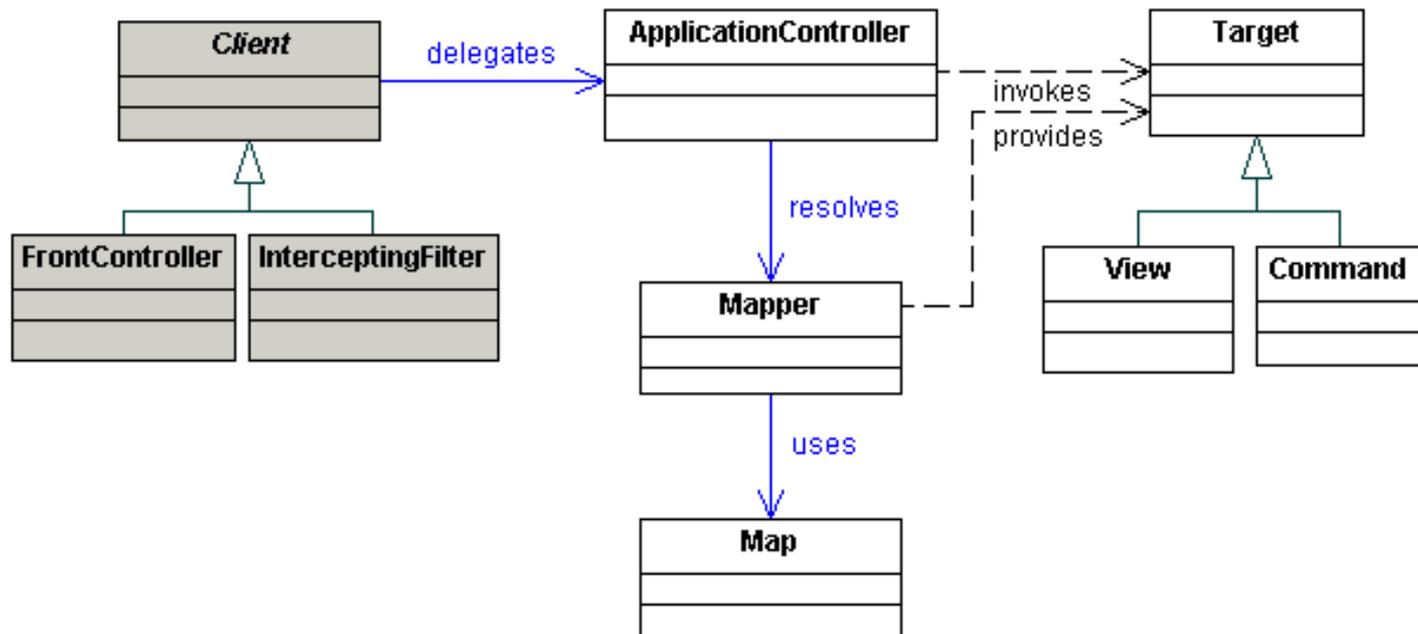
- Request Context Strategies
  - Request Context Map Strategy
  - Request Context POJO Strategy
  - Request Context Validation Strategy
- Configuration Context Strategies
  - JSTL Configuration Strategy
- Security Context Strategies
- General Context Object Strategies
  - Context Object Factory Strategy
  - Context Object Auto-population Strategy

# Application Controller

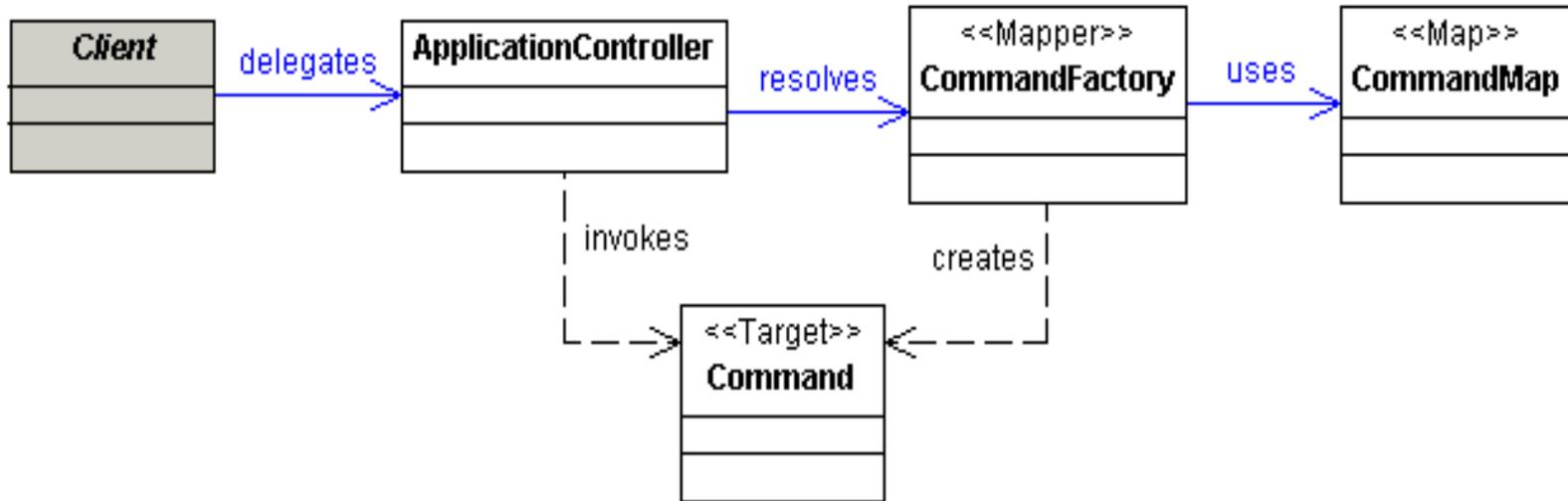
- Problem:
  - You want to centralize and modularize action and view management
- Forces:
  - You want to reuse action-management and view-management code
  - You want to improve code modularity and maintainability
  - You want dynamic lookup and dispatch to target

# Application Controller

- Solution:
  - Use an Application Controller to centralize retrieval and invocation of request-processing components, such as commands and views.



# Application Controller: Command Handler Strategy



# Business Tier Patterns

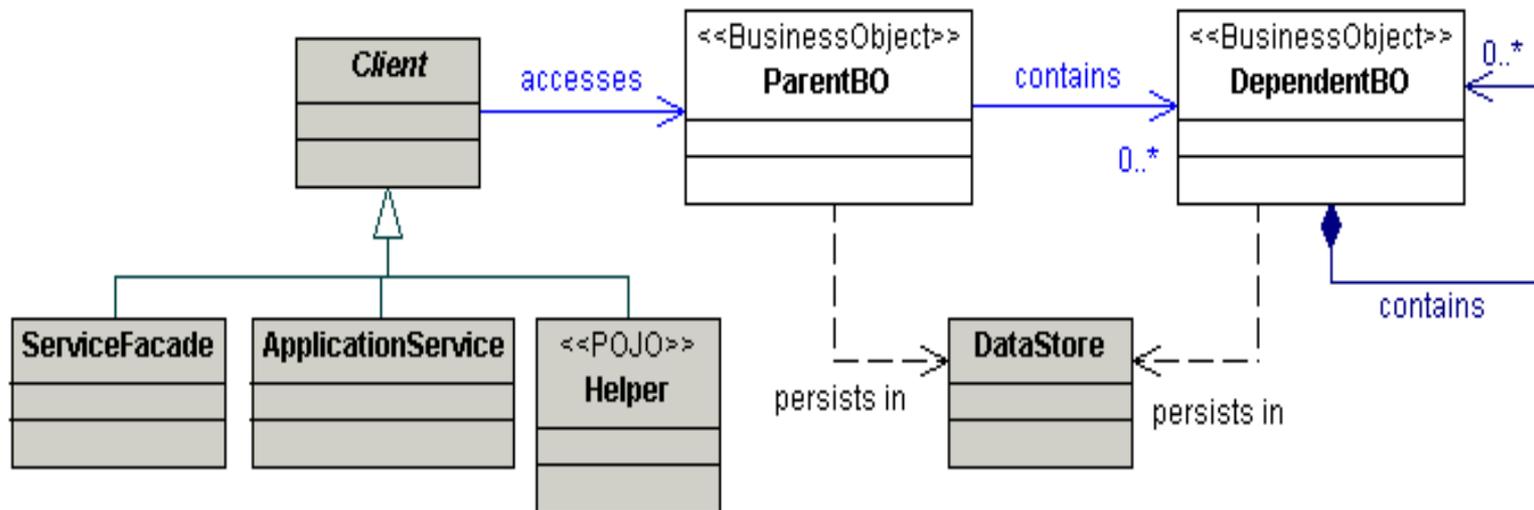
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# Business Object

- Problem:
  - You have a conceptual domain model with business logic and relationships
- Forces:
  - You have a conceptual model containing structured, interrelated composite objects, complex business logic, validation, rules
  - You want to centralize business logic and state in an application
  - You want to increase reusability of business logic and avoid duplication of code

# Business Object

- Solution:
  - Use Business Objects to separate business data and logic using an object model

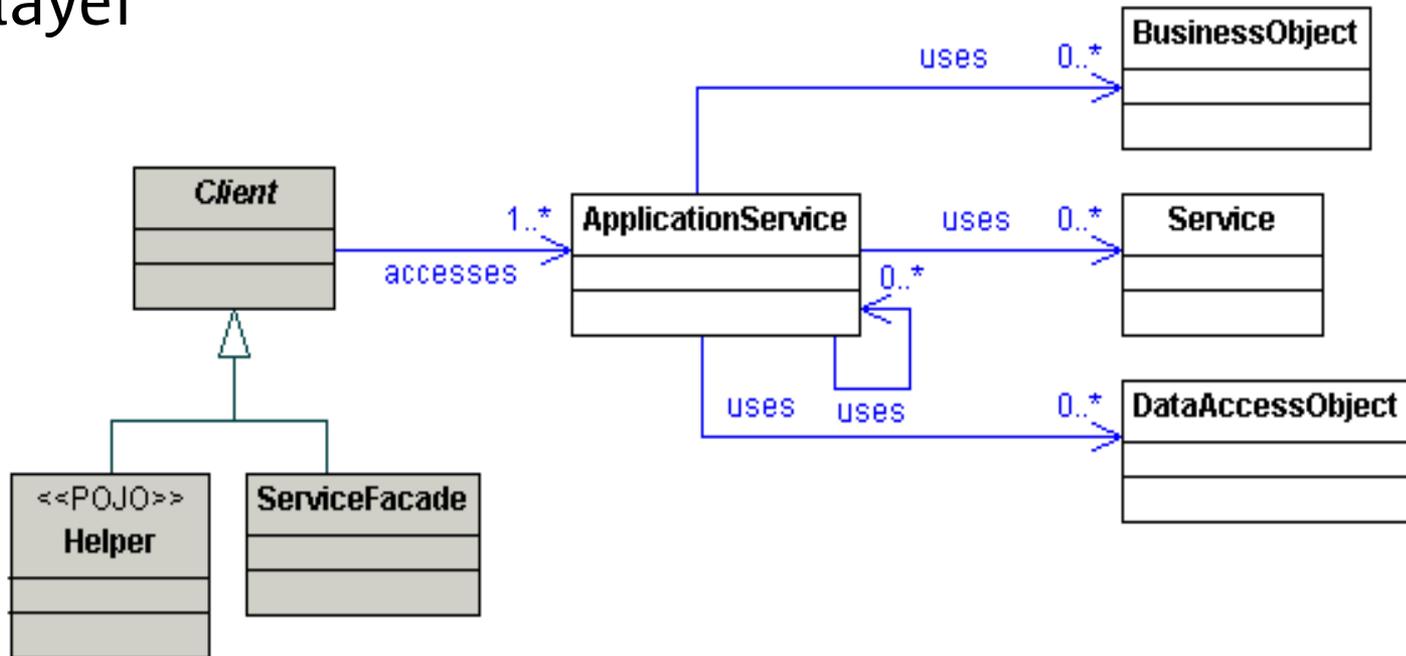


# Application Service

- Problem:
  - You want to centralize business logic across several business-tier components and services
- Forces:
  - You want to minimize business logic in service facades
  - You have business logic acting on multiple Business Objects or services
  - You want to encapsulate use case-specific logic outside of individual Business Objects

# Application Service

- Solution:
  - Use an Application Service to centralize and aggregate behavior to provide a uniform service layer



# Integration Tier Patterns

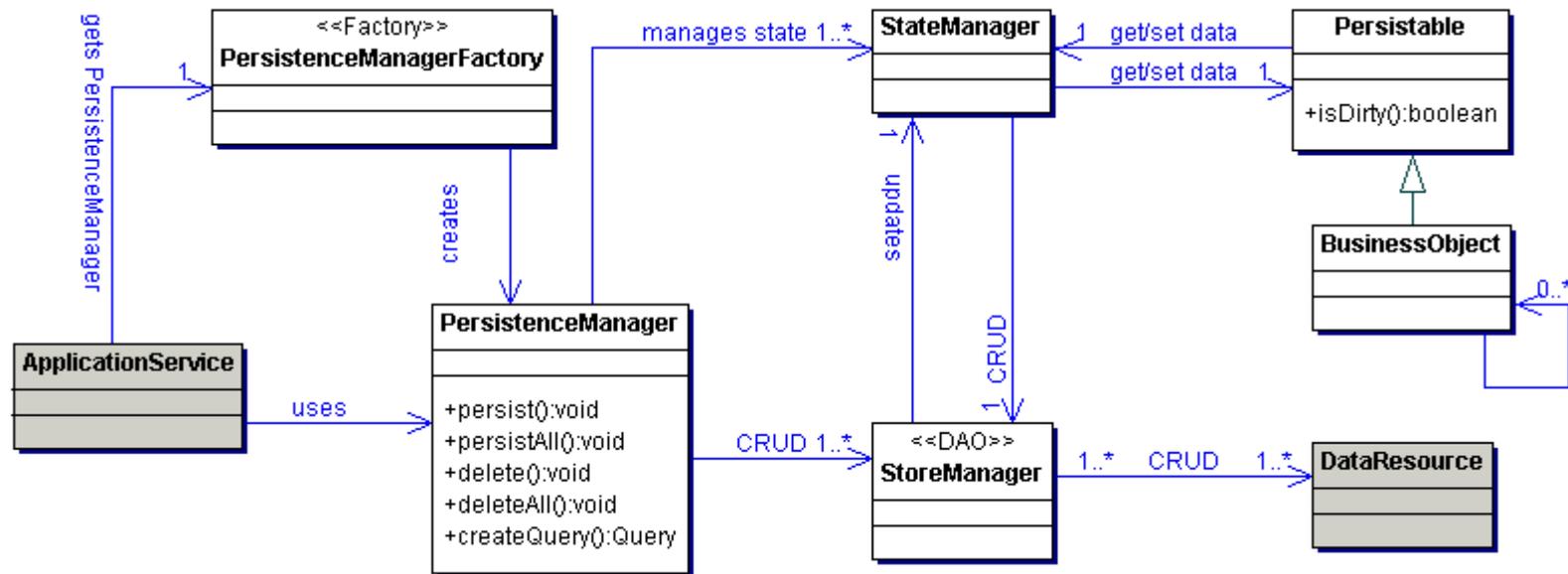
- Data Access Object
- Service Activator
- Domain Store
- Web Service Broker

# Domain Store

- **Problem:**
  - You want to separate persistence from your object model
- **Forces:**
  - You want to avoid putting persistence details in your Business Objects
  - You do not want to use entity beans
  - Your application might be running in a web container
  - Your object model uses inheritance and complex relationships

# Domain Store

- Solution:
  - Use Domain Store to separate persistence from the object model

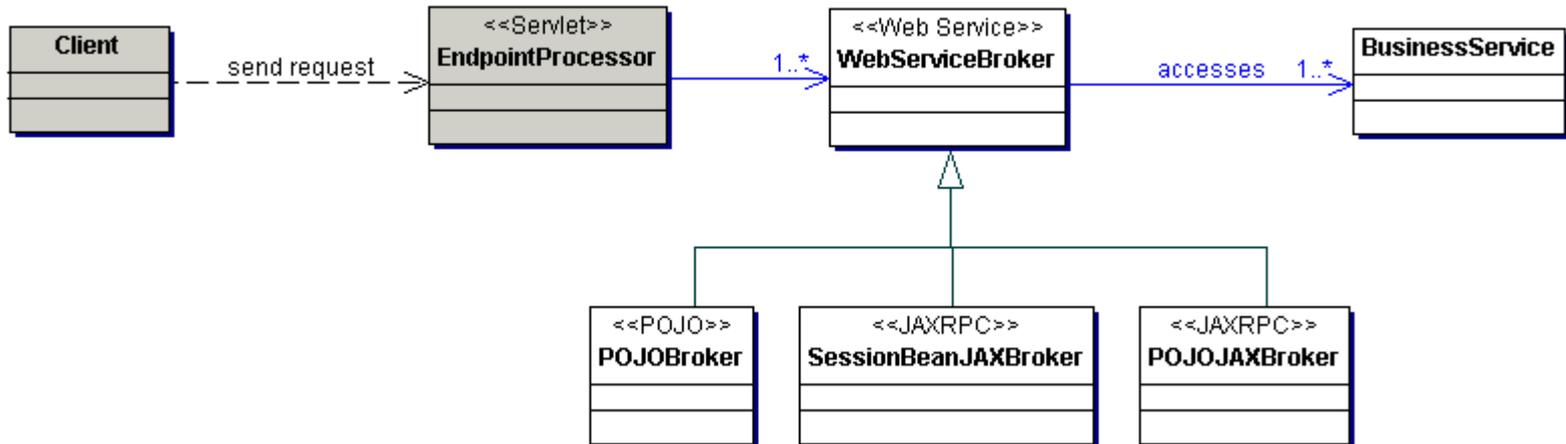


# Web Service Broker

- Problem:
  - You want to provide access to one or more services using XML and web protocols
- Forces:
  - You want to reuse and expose existing services to clients
  - You want to monitor and potentially limit the usage of exposed services
  - Your services must be exposed using open standards

# Web Service Broker

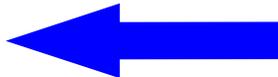
- Solution:
  - Use a Web Service Broker to expose and broker one or more services using XML and web protocols



# Web Service Broker: Strategies

- Custom XML Messaging Strategy
- Java Binding Strategy
- JAX-RPC Strategy

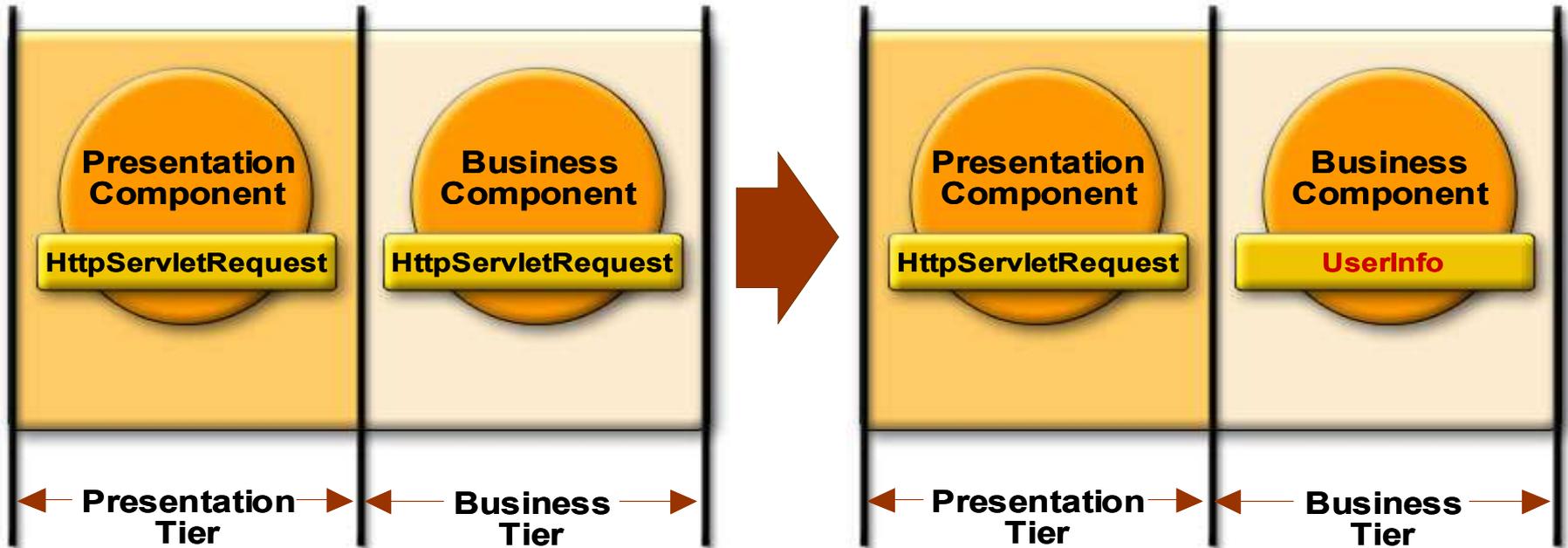
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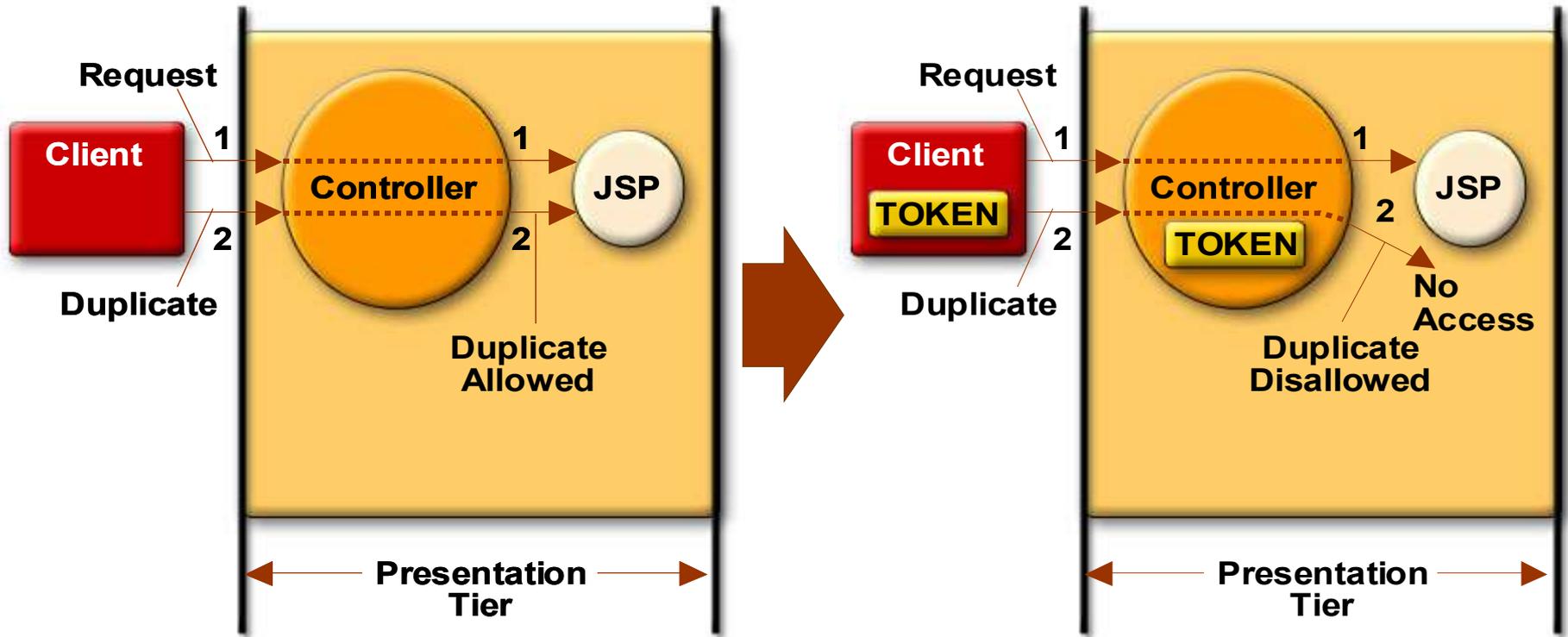
# J2EE Refactoring

- 14 Refactorings in the book
- Presentation Tier:
  - Hide Presentation Tier specifics from Business Tier
  - Introduce Synchronizer Token
- Business Tier:
  - Wrap Entities with Session
  - Merge Session Beans

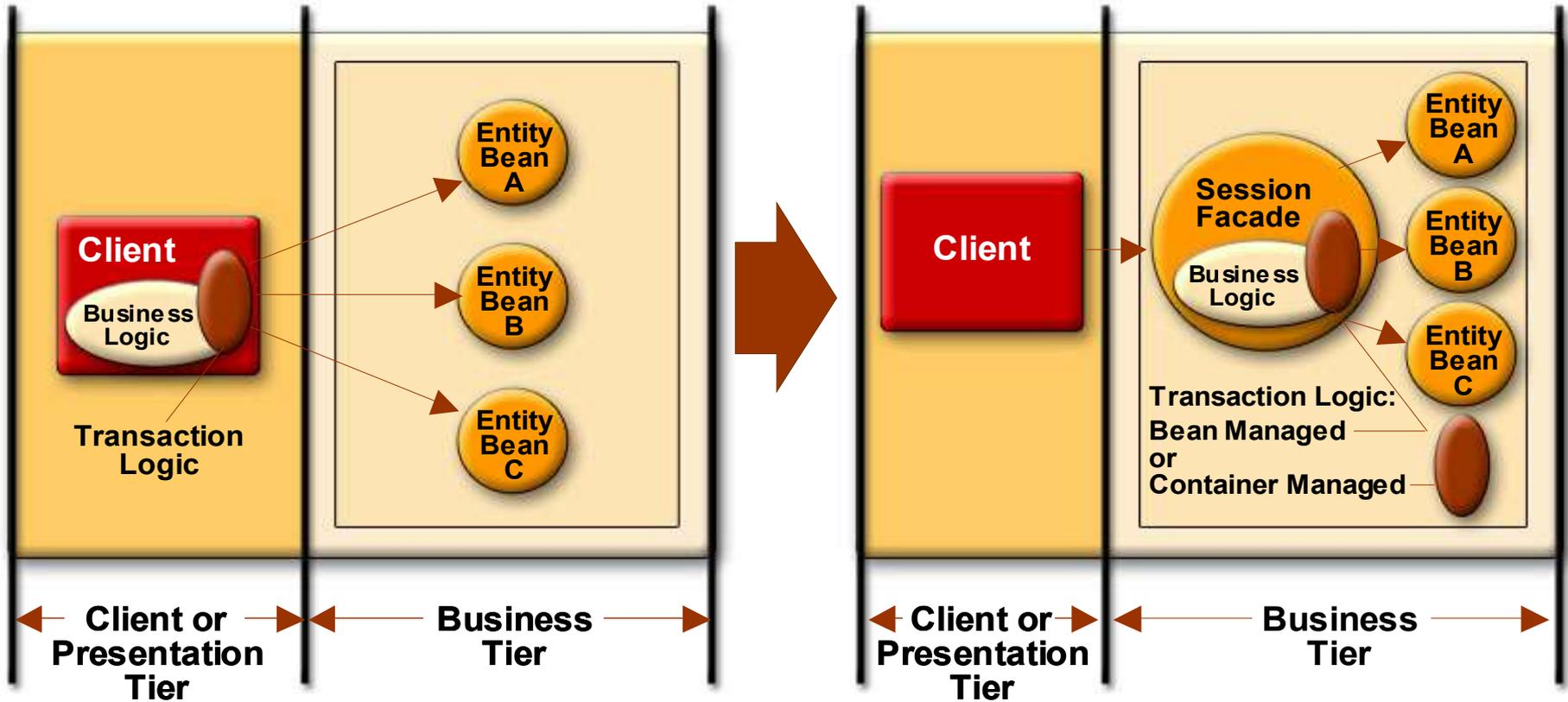
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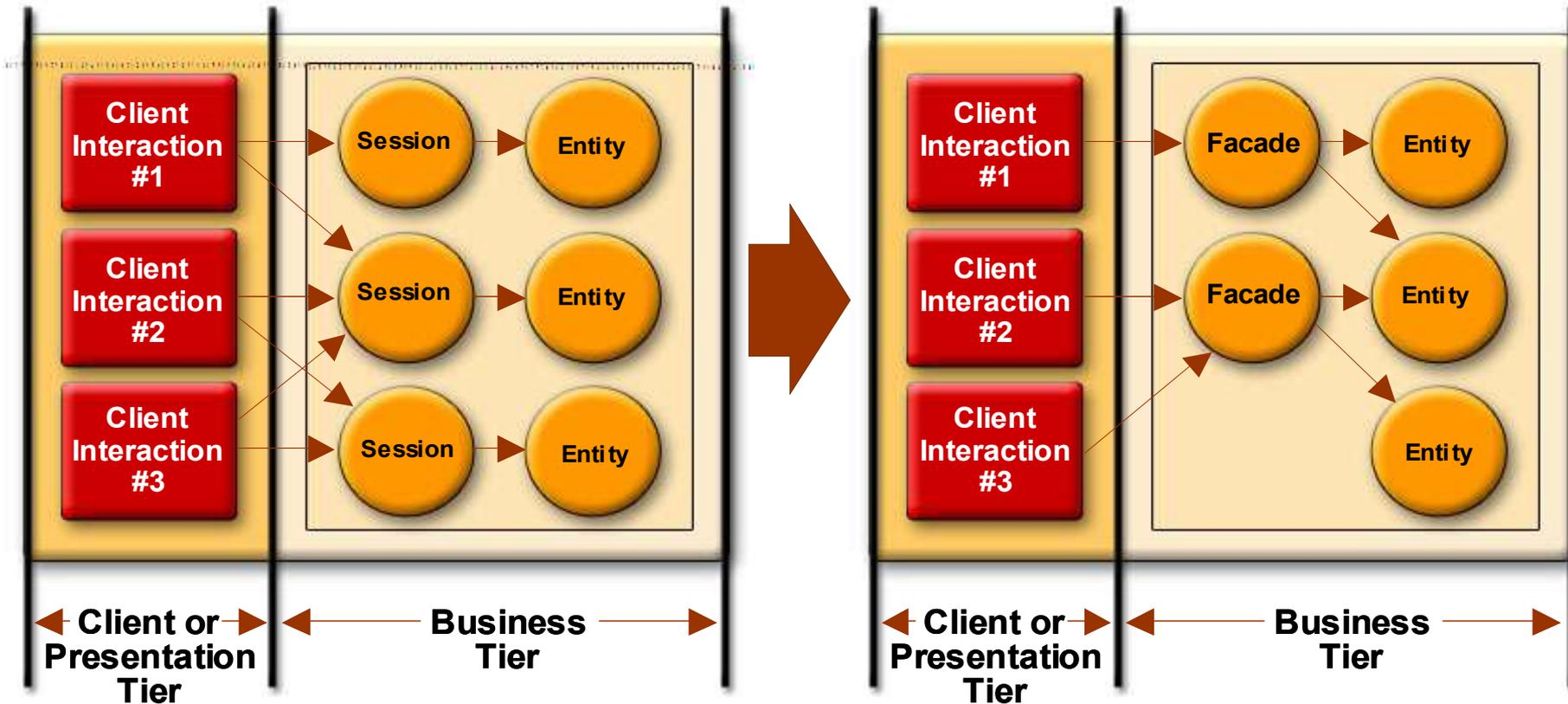
# Introduce Synchronizer Token



# Wrap Entities With Session



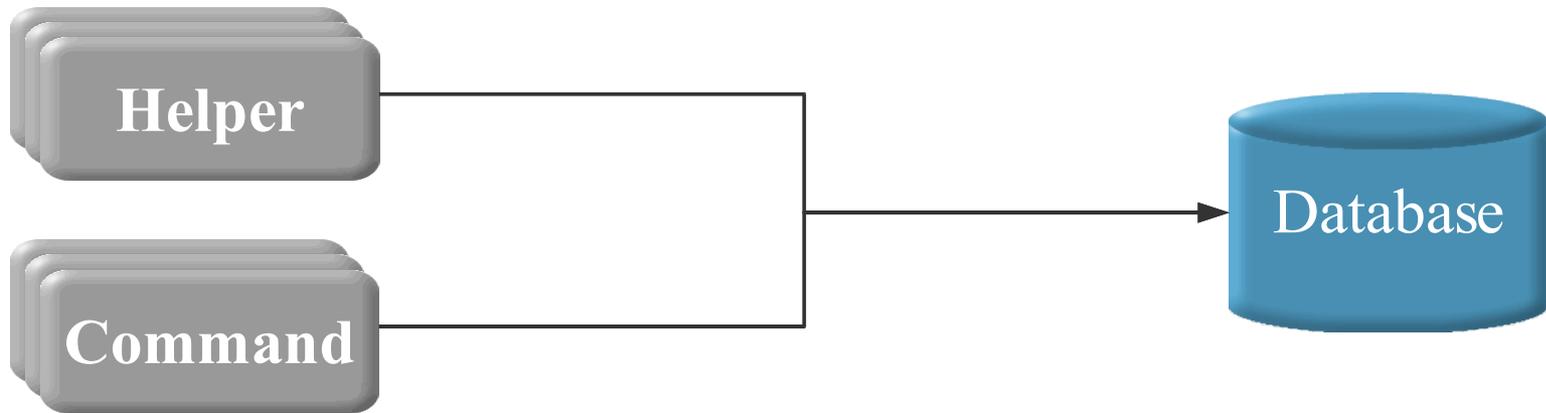
# Merge Session Beans



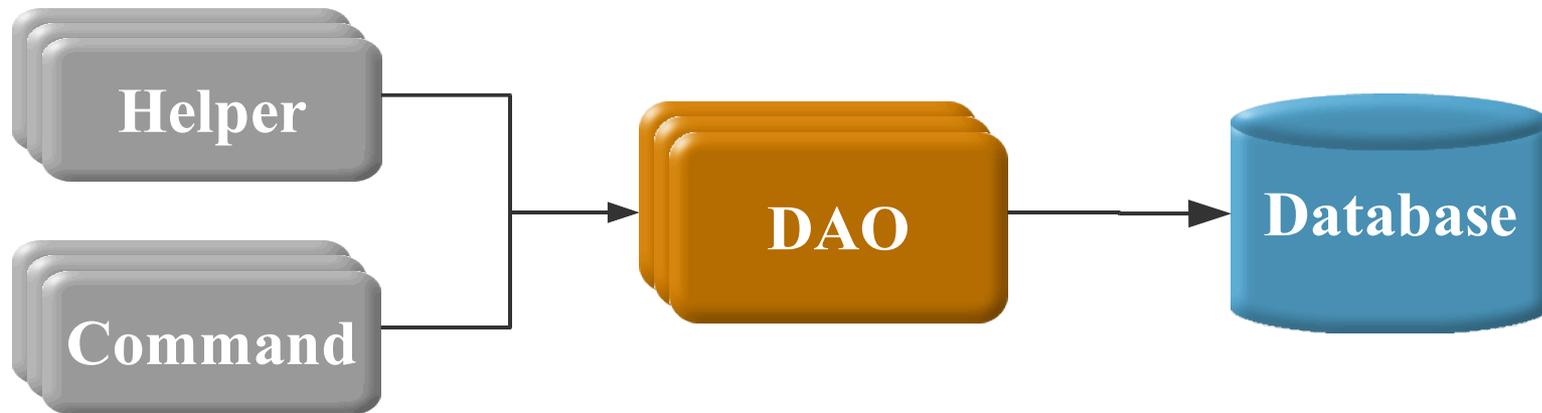
# Progressive Refactoring Scenarios

- Direct Access
- Introduce DAO
- Introduce Application Service
- Introduce Service Facade
- Introduce Business Objects

# Direct Access

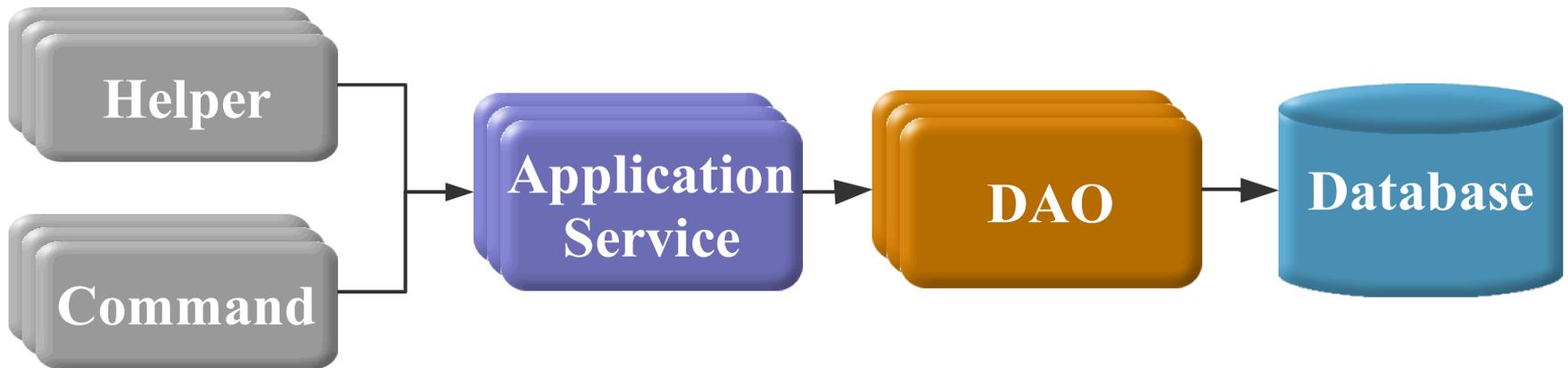


# Introduce DAO



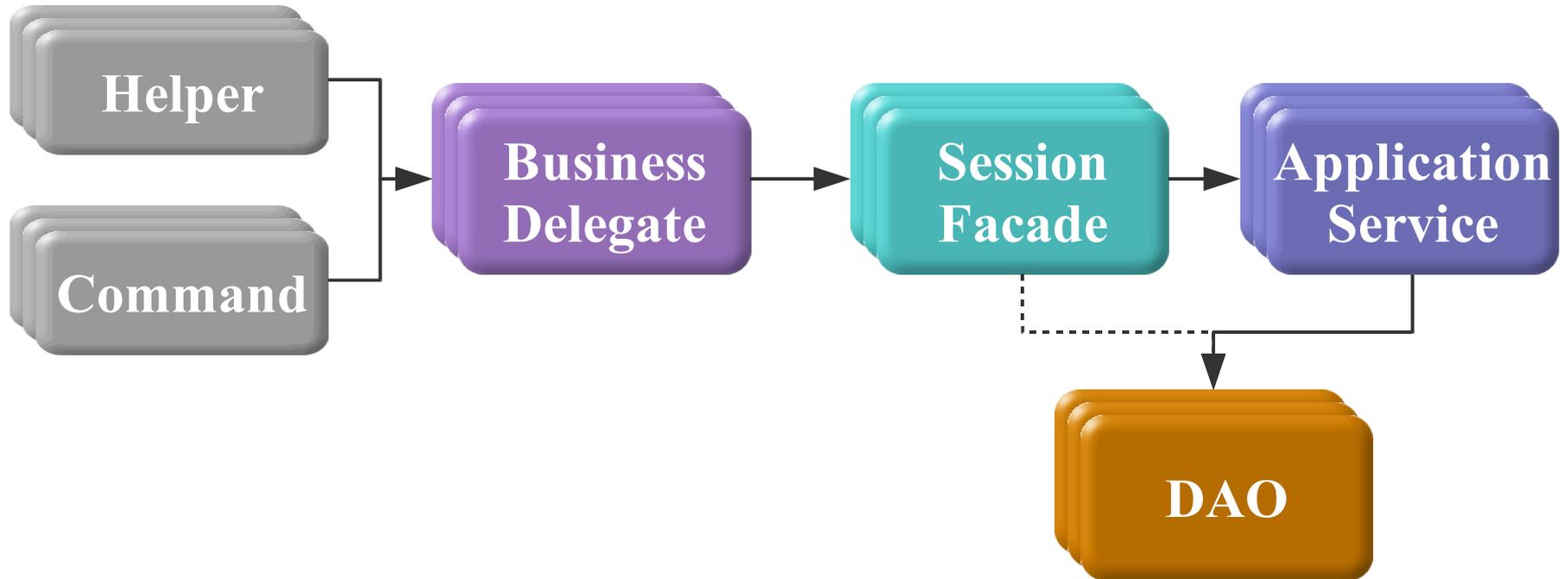
# Introduce Application Service

## POJO Architecture



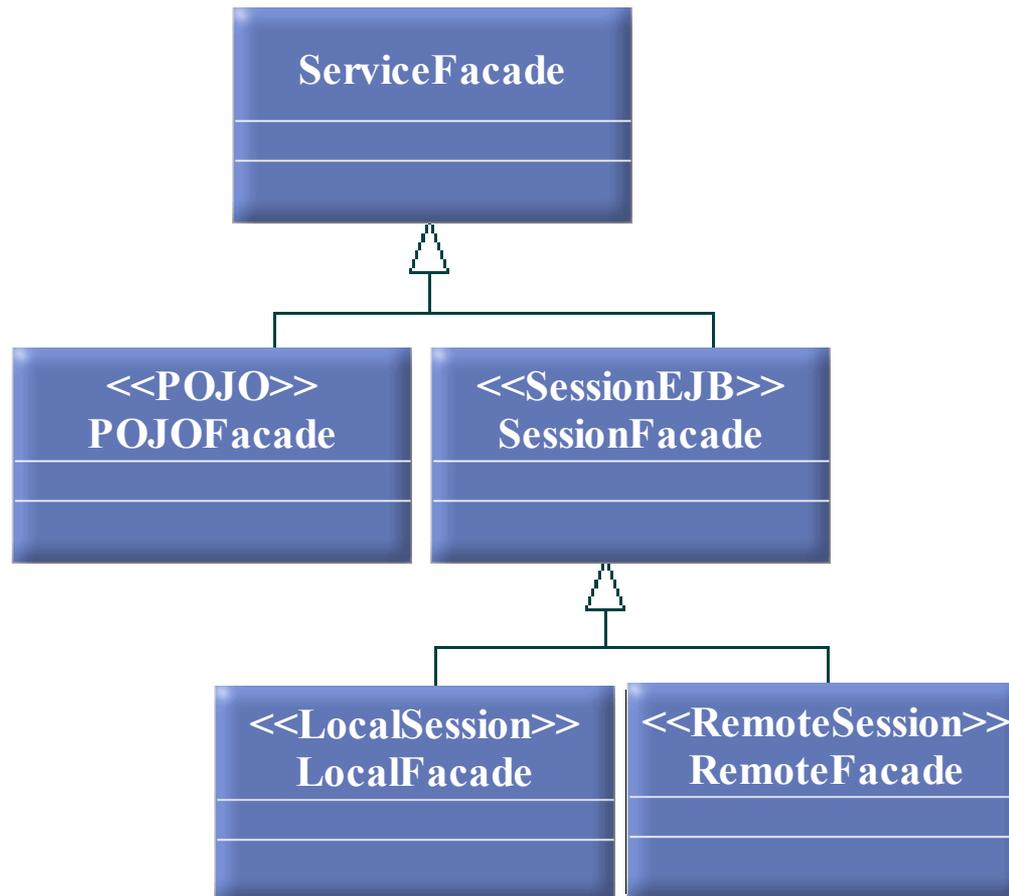
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## EJB Architecture



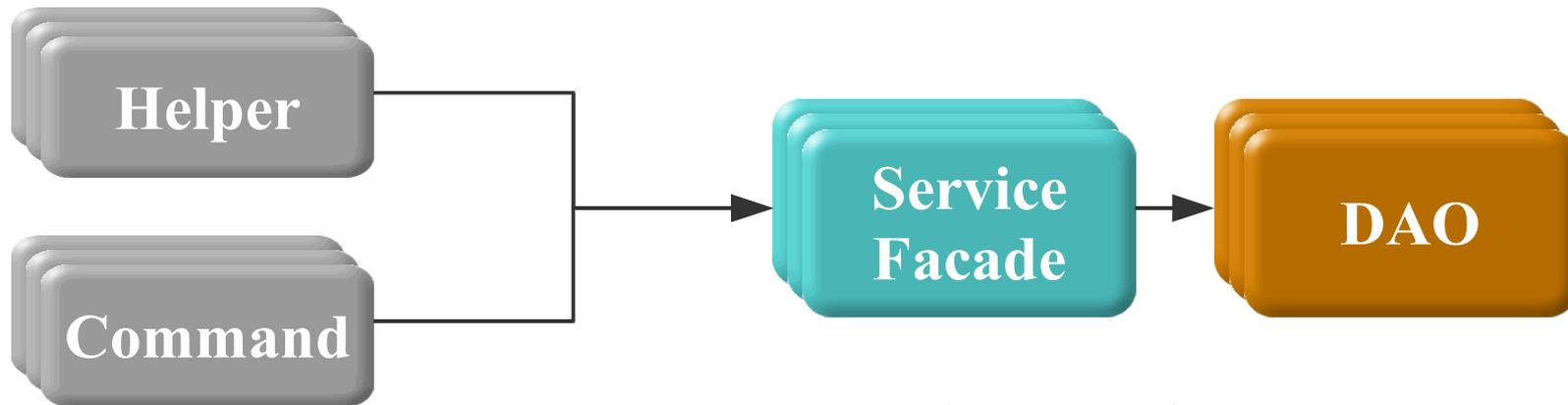
# Design Note: Service Facades

- Remote and non-Remote business tier



# Introduce Service Facade

## Non-Remote Business Tier



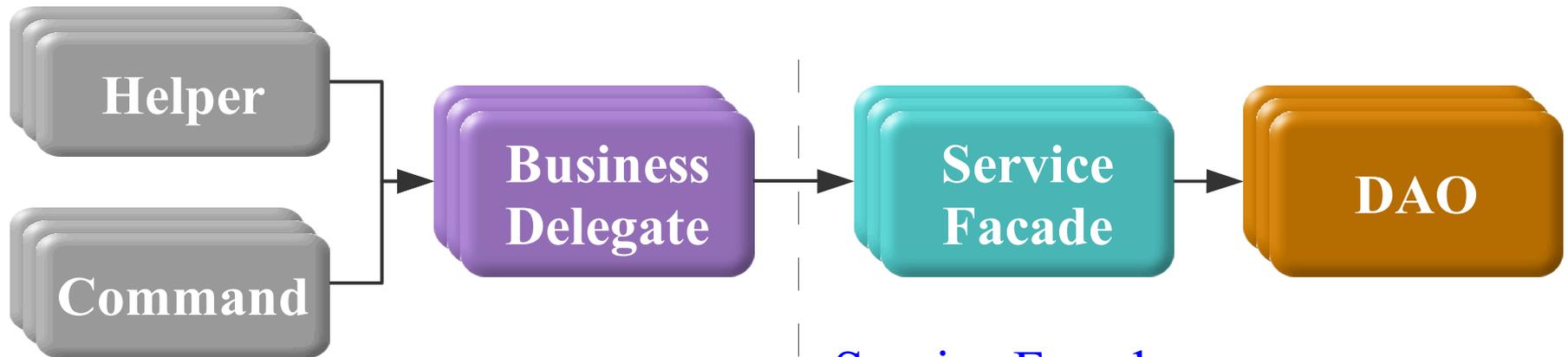
Service Facade >>

Local Facade >>

Local Session Bean | POJO

# Introduce Service Facade

## Remote Business Tier

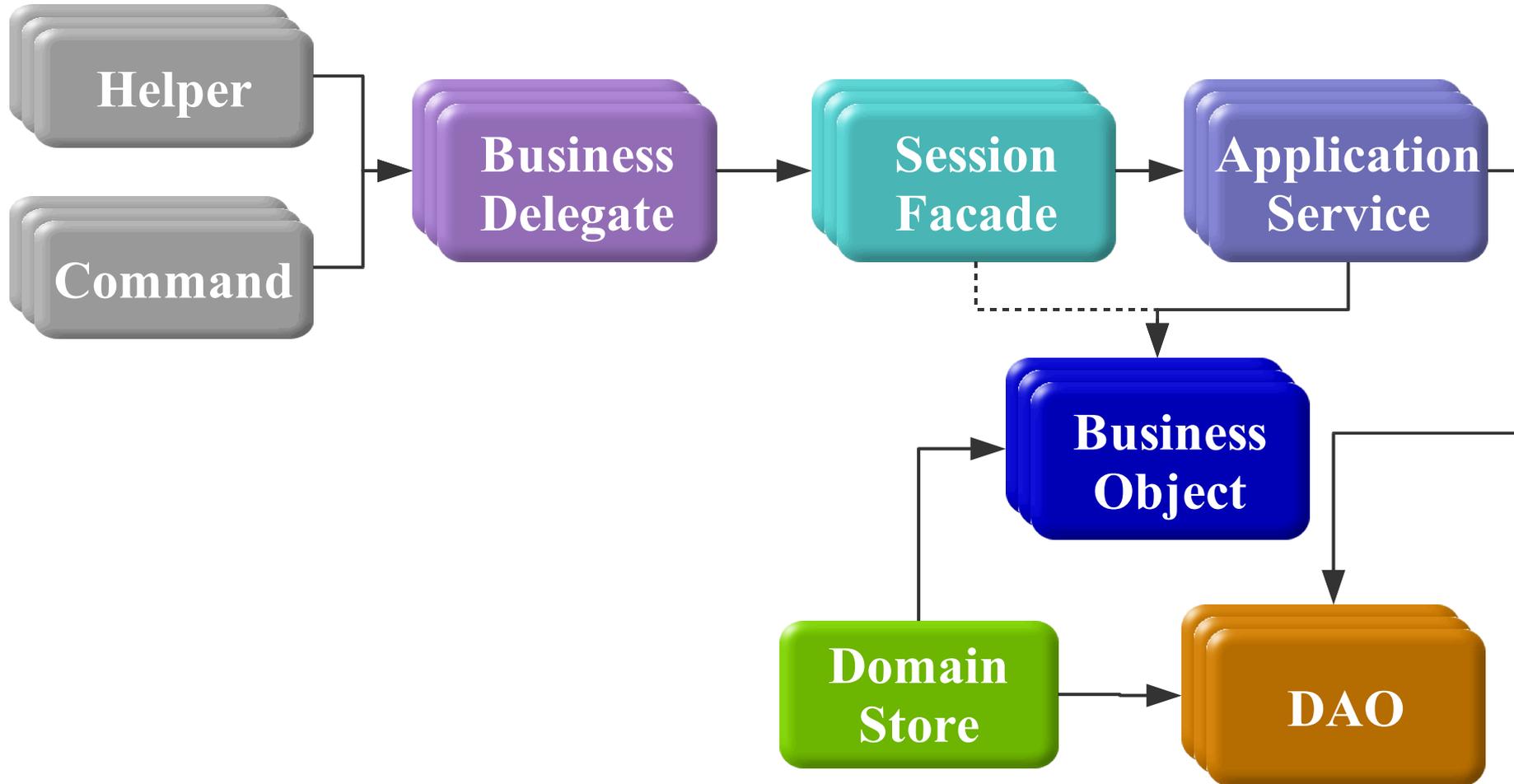


Service Facade >>

Remote Facade >>

Remote Session Bean

# Introduce Business Objects





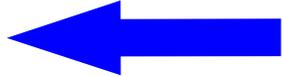
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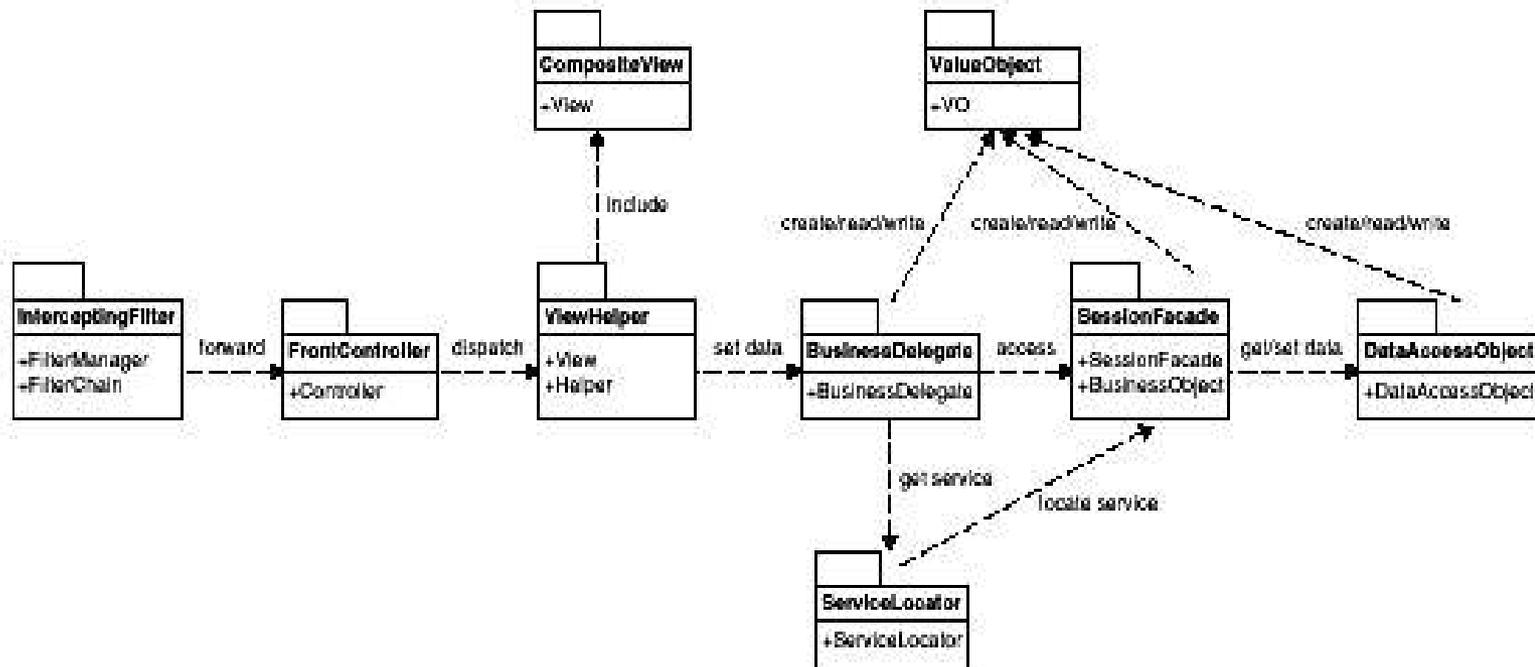


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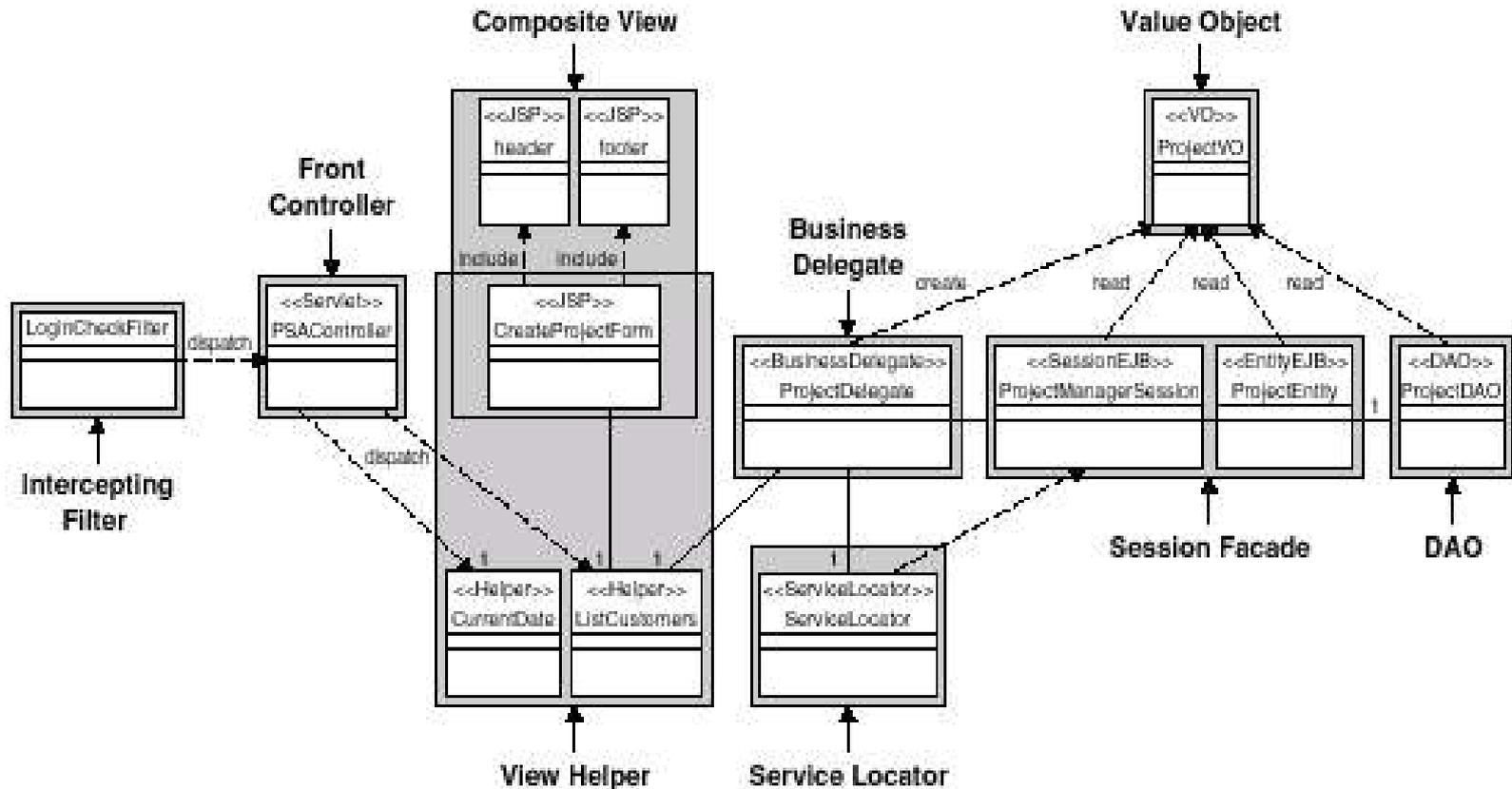
# Pattern Framework

- Set of cooperating patterns
- Targeting macro problem
- Basis for pattern driven design



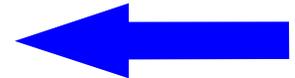
# Pattern Realization

- Realizing patterns to code



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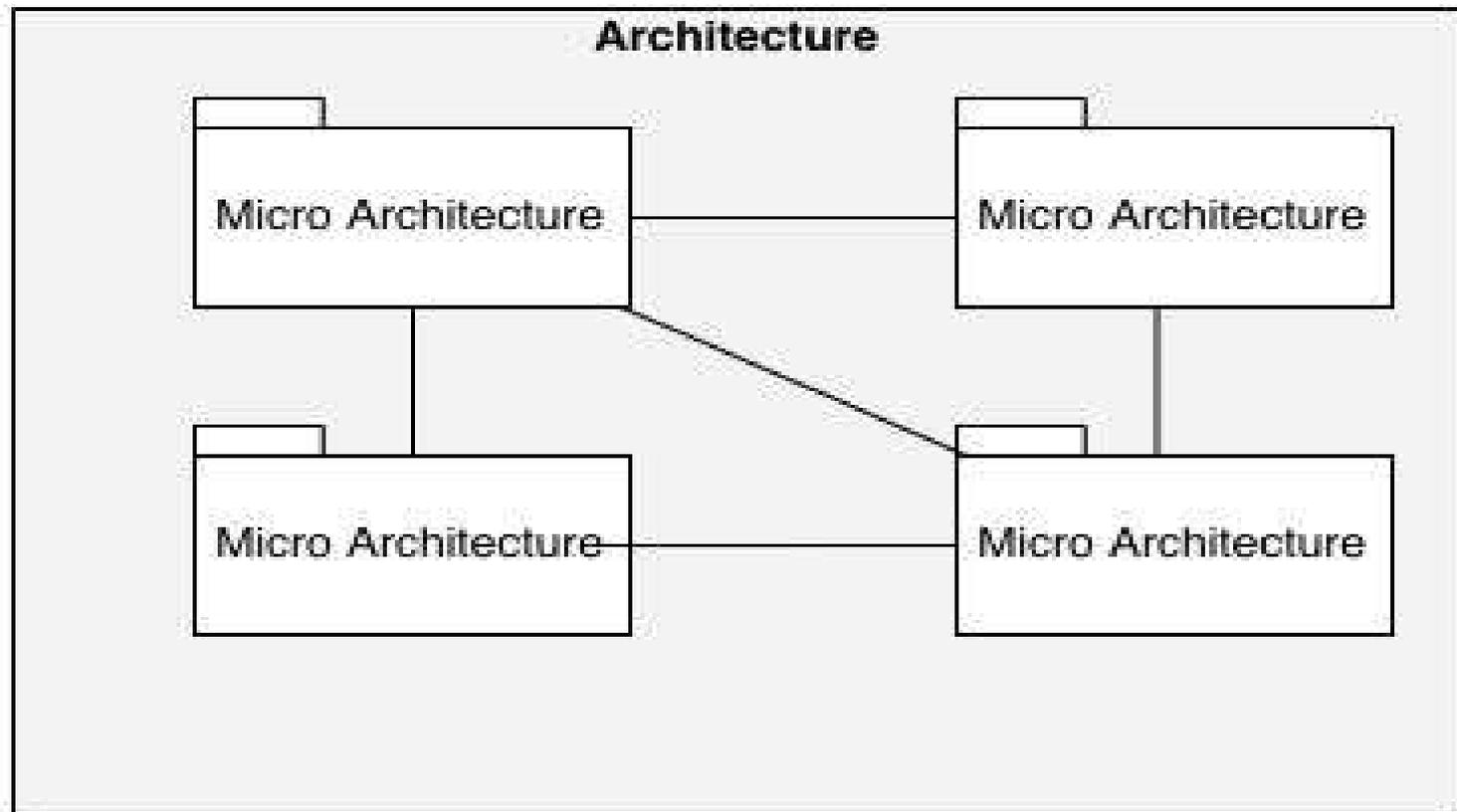


# Micro Architectures

- Micro-architectures are building blocks for designing applications
- They represent a higher level of abstraction than the individual patterns described in the catalog, and are expressed by a combination of patterns to solve a problem
- Micro-architecture is a prescriptive design leveraging patterns to solve a larger problem, such as designing a subsystem
- Micro-Architectures:
  - WebWorker Micro Architecture
  - Messaging Micro Architecture

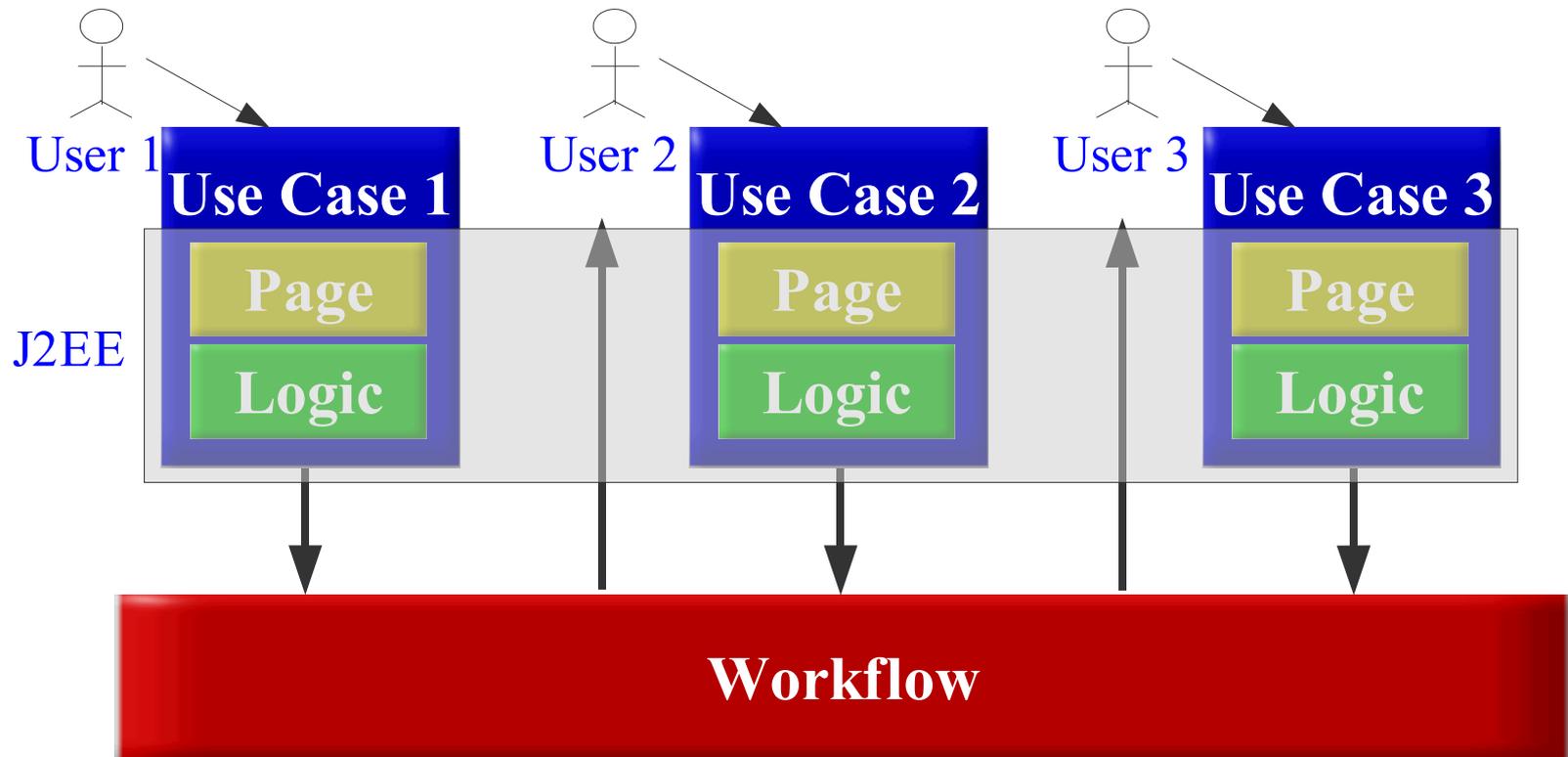
# Micro Architectures

An Architecture is composed of several Micro Architectures

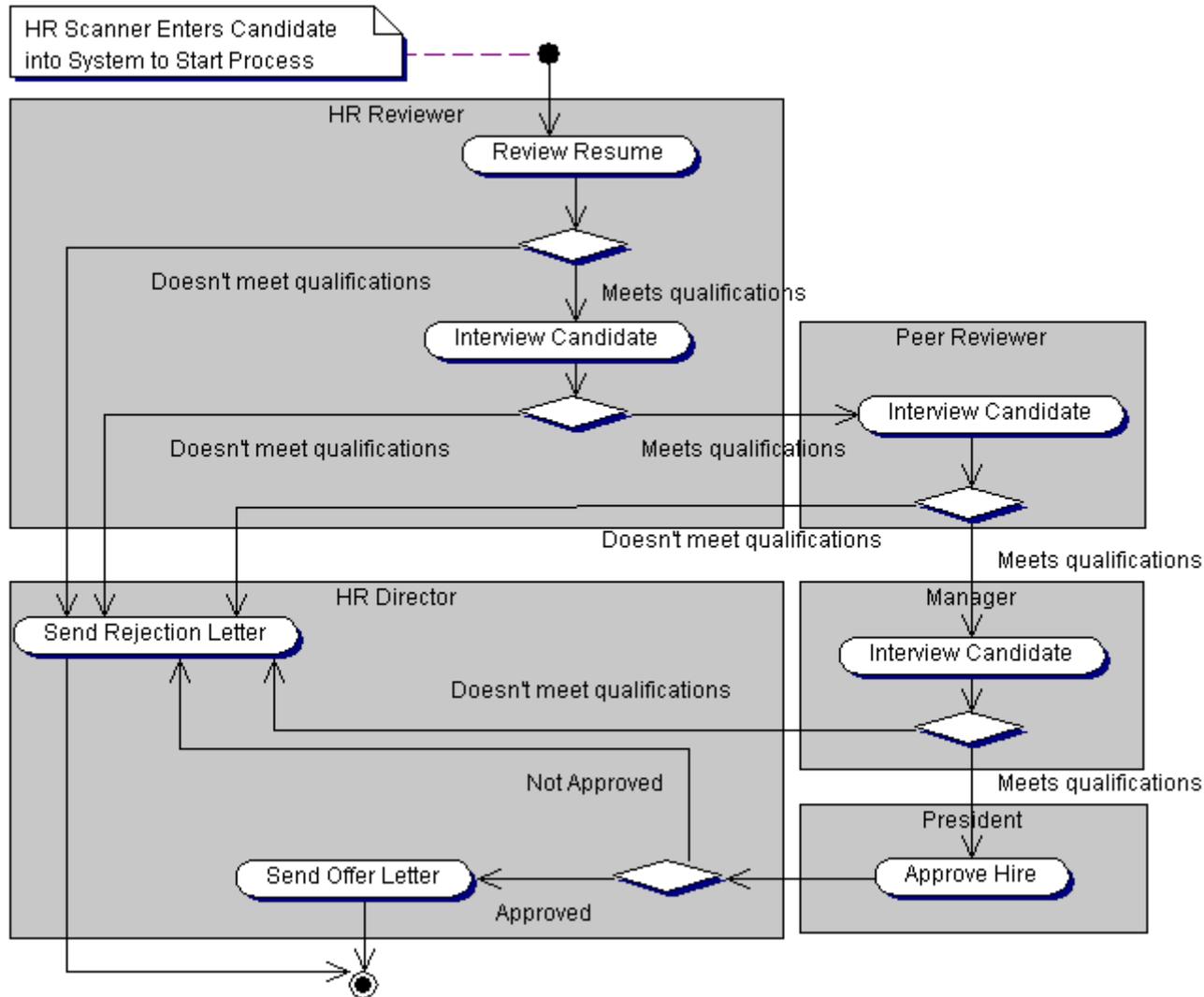


# Web Worker Micro Architecture

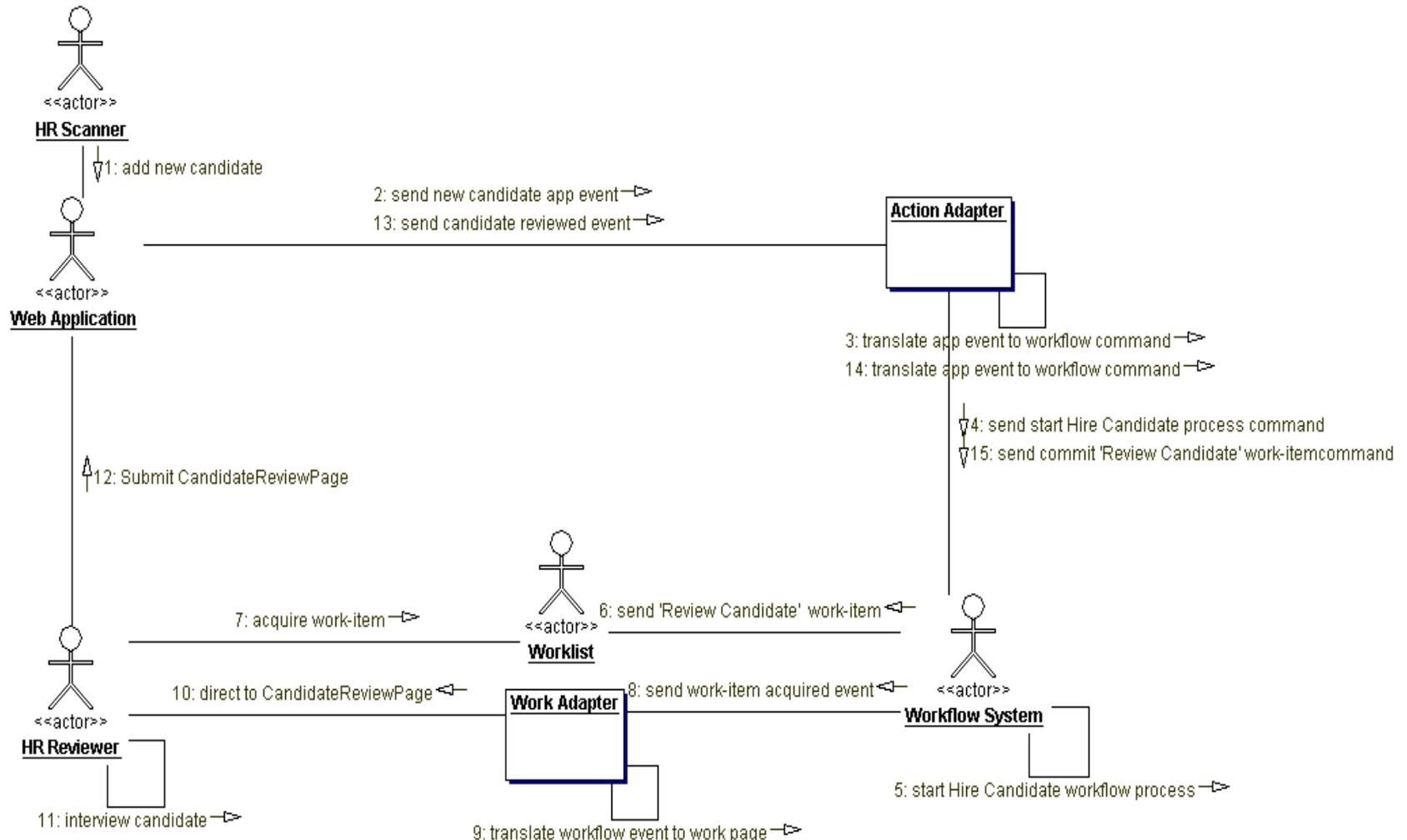
- Problem:
  - How do you integrate a J2EE application and a workflow system and have the workflow system direct users to the appropriate web page



# Hire Employee Workflow

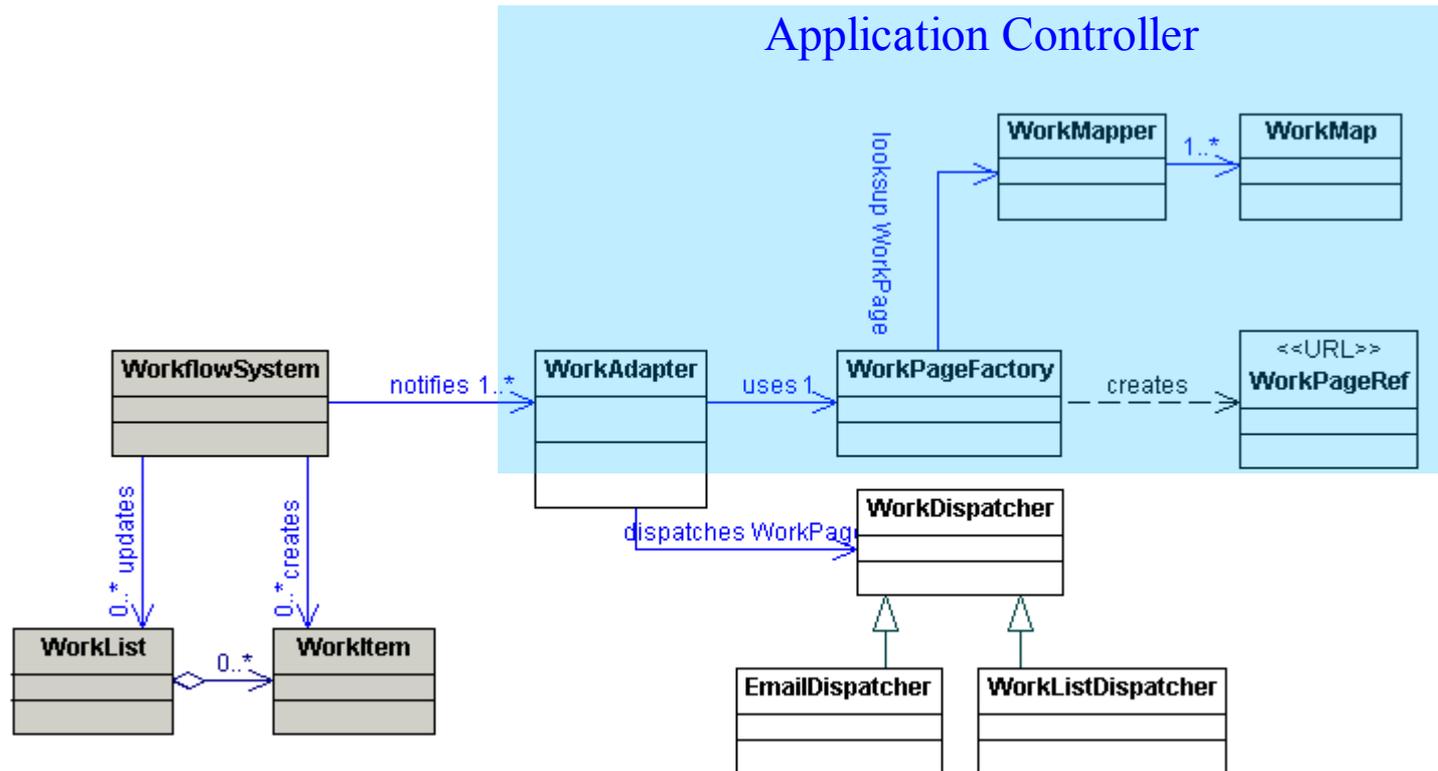


# Hire Employee Collaboration with Adapters





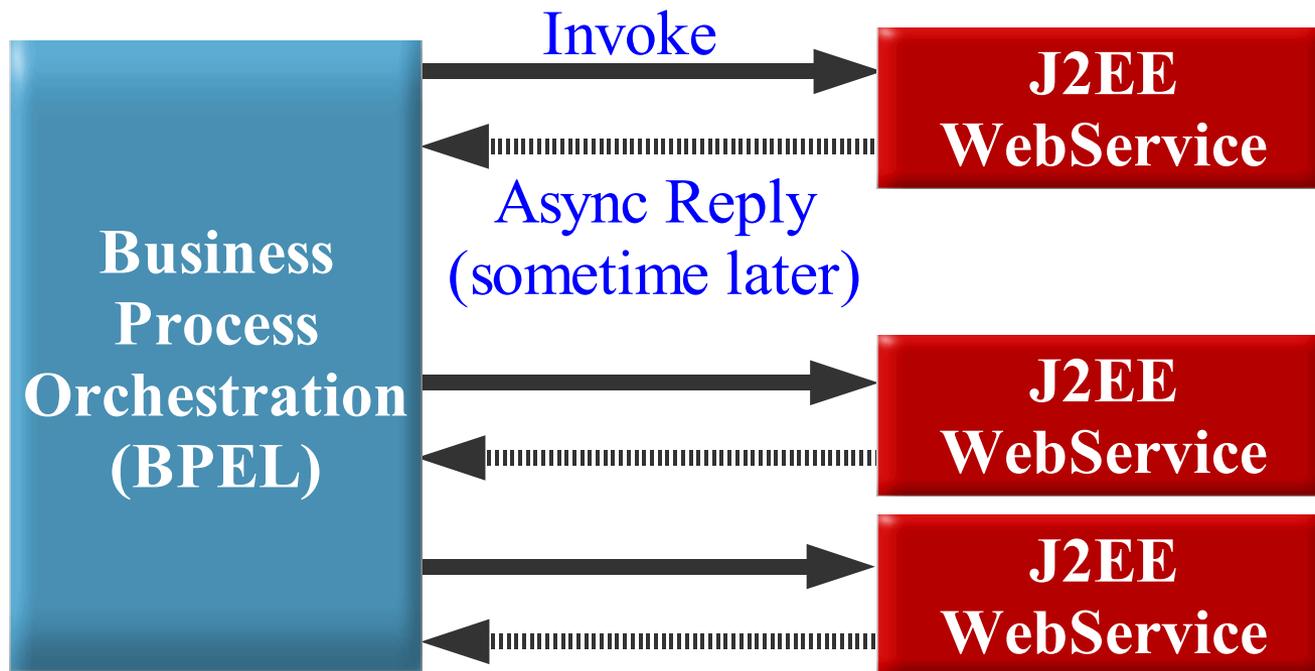
# Work Adapter Class Diagram



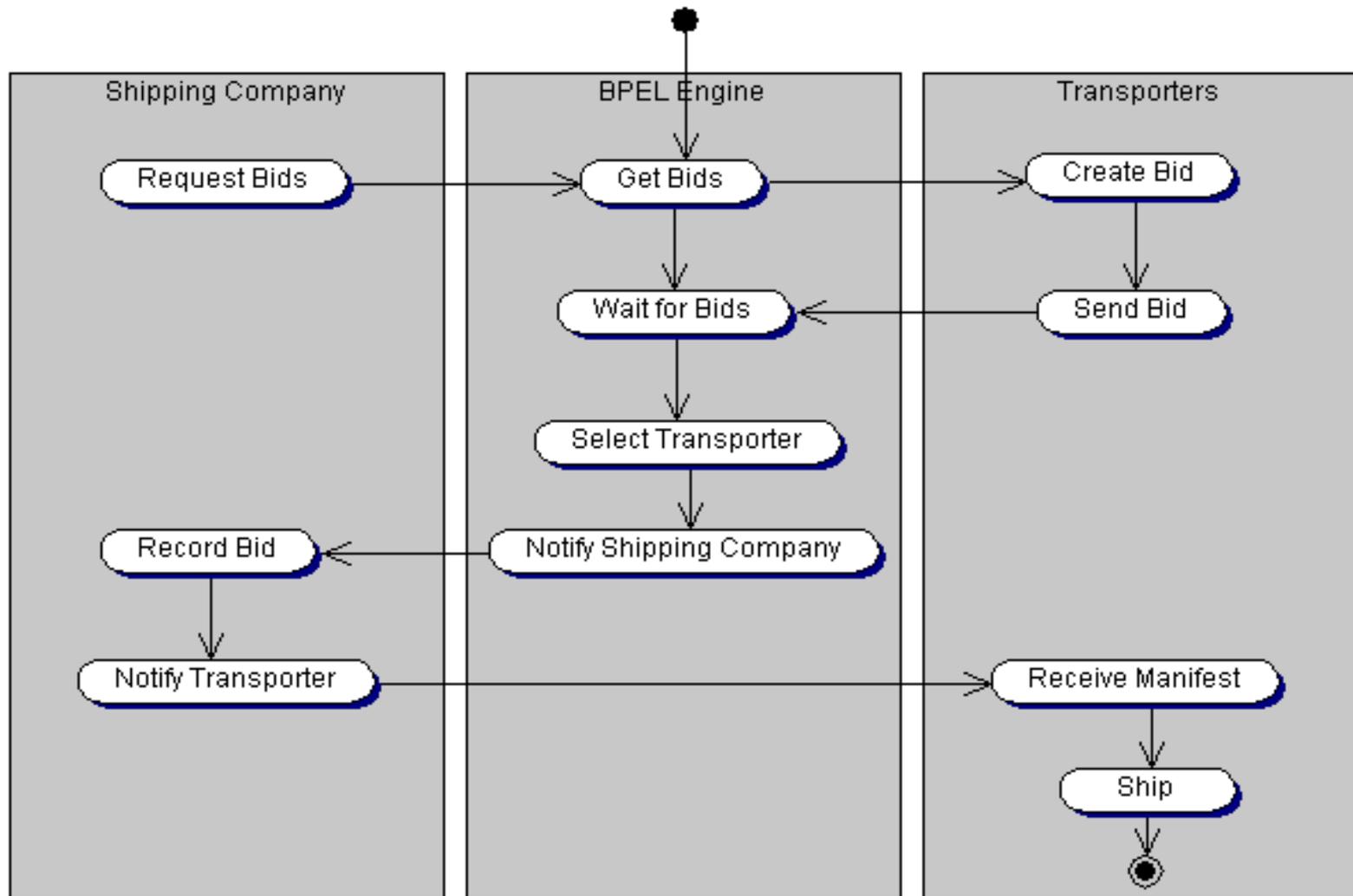
# Messaging Micro Architecture

- Messaging >> Async, Web Services
- Problem:
  - How do you provide async, doc-based web services in J2EE
  - How do you orchestrate these web services

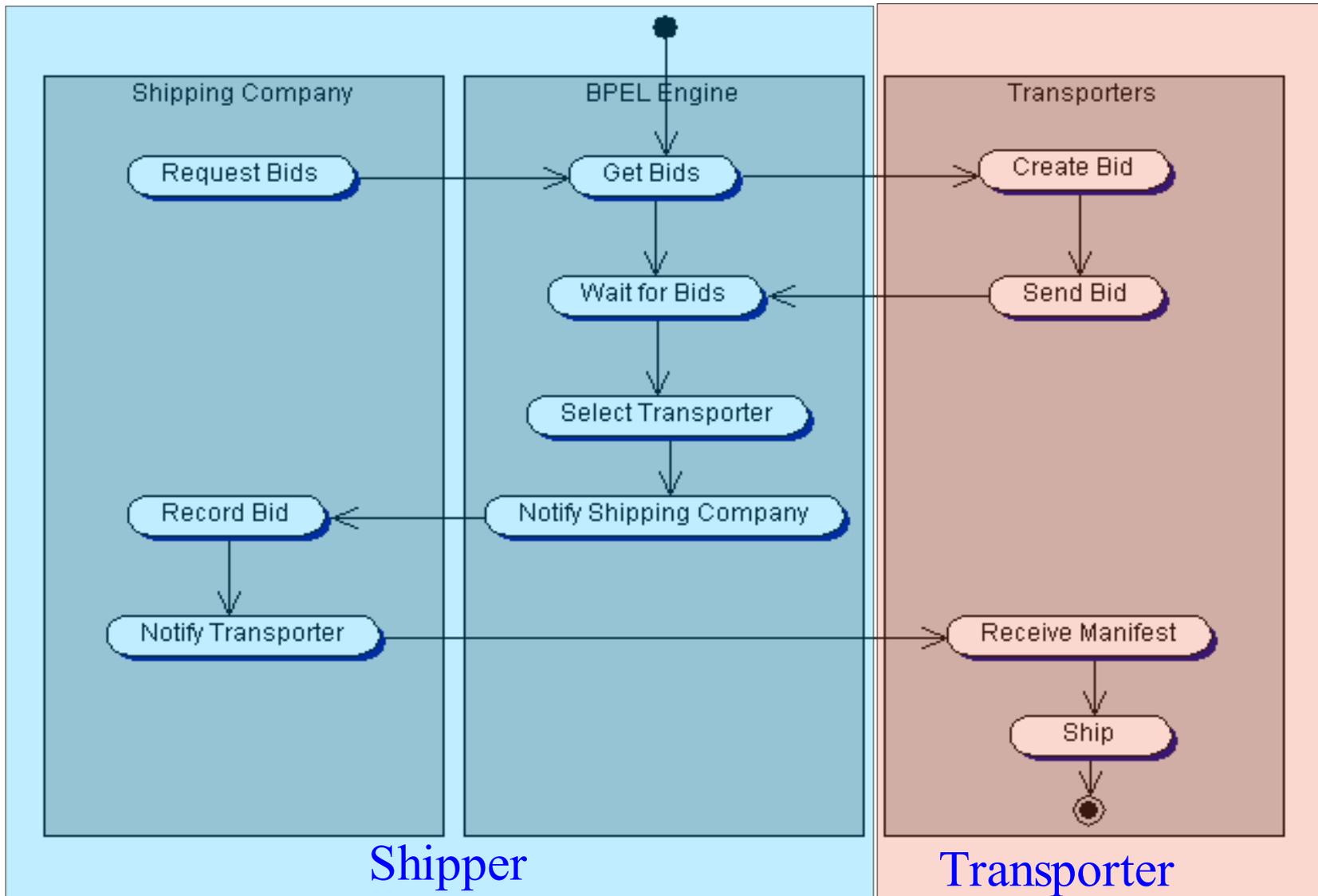
# Async WS Orchestration With J2EE



# Shipping Example

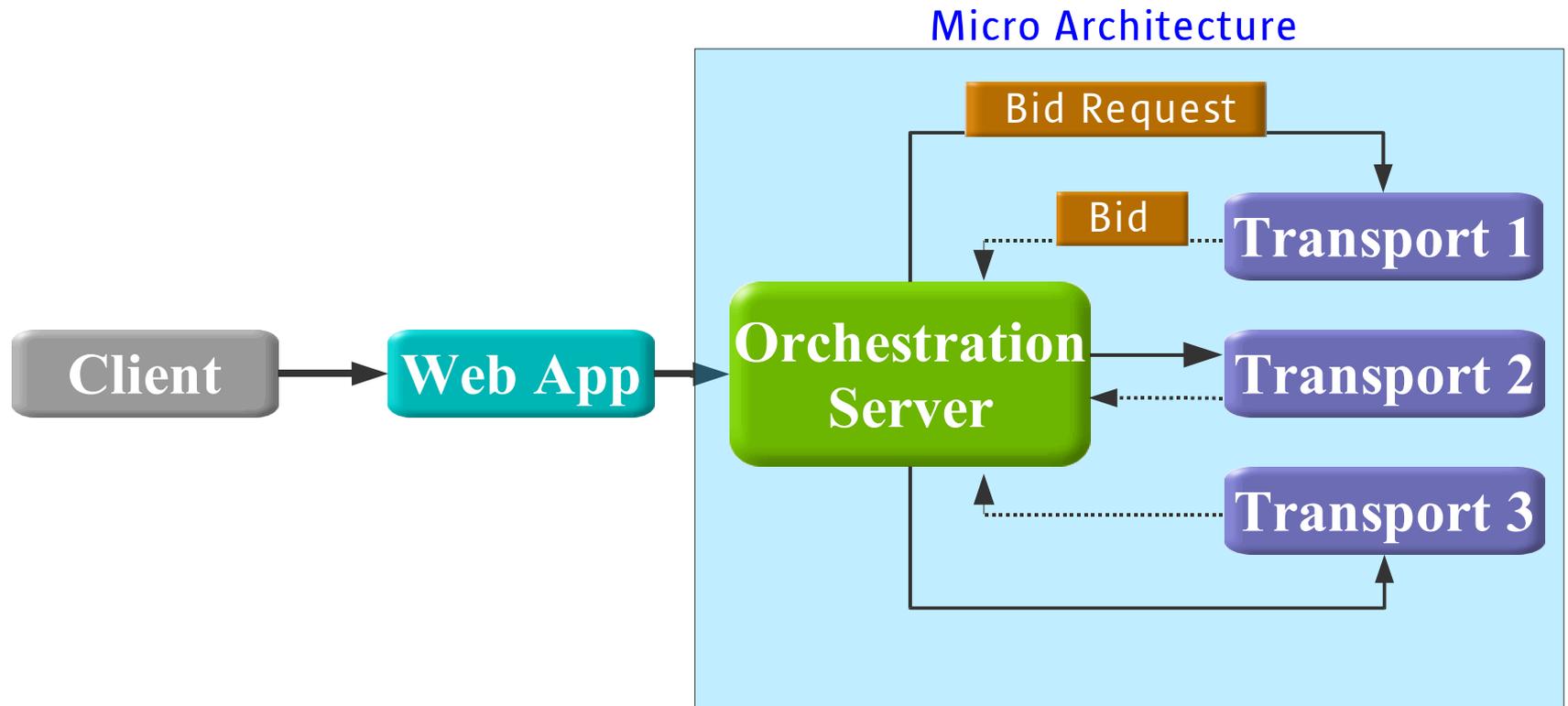


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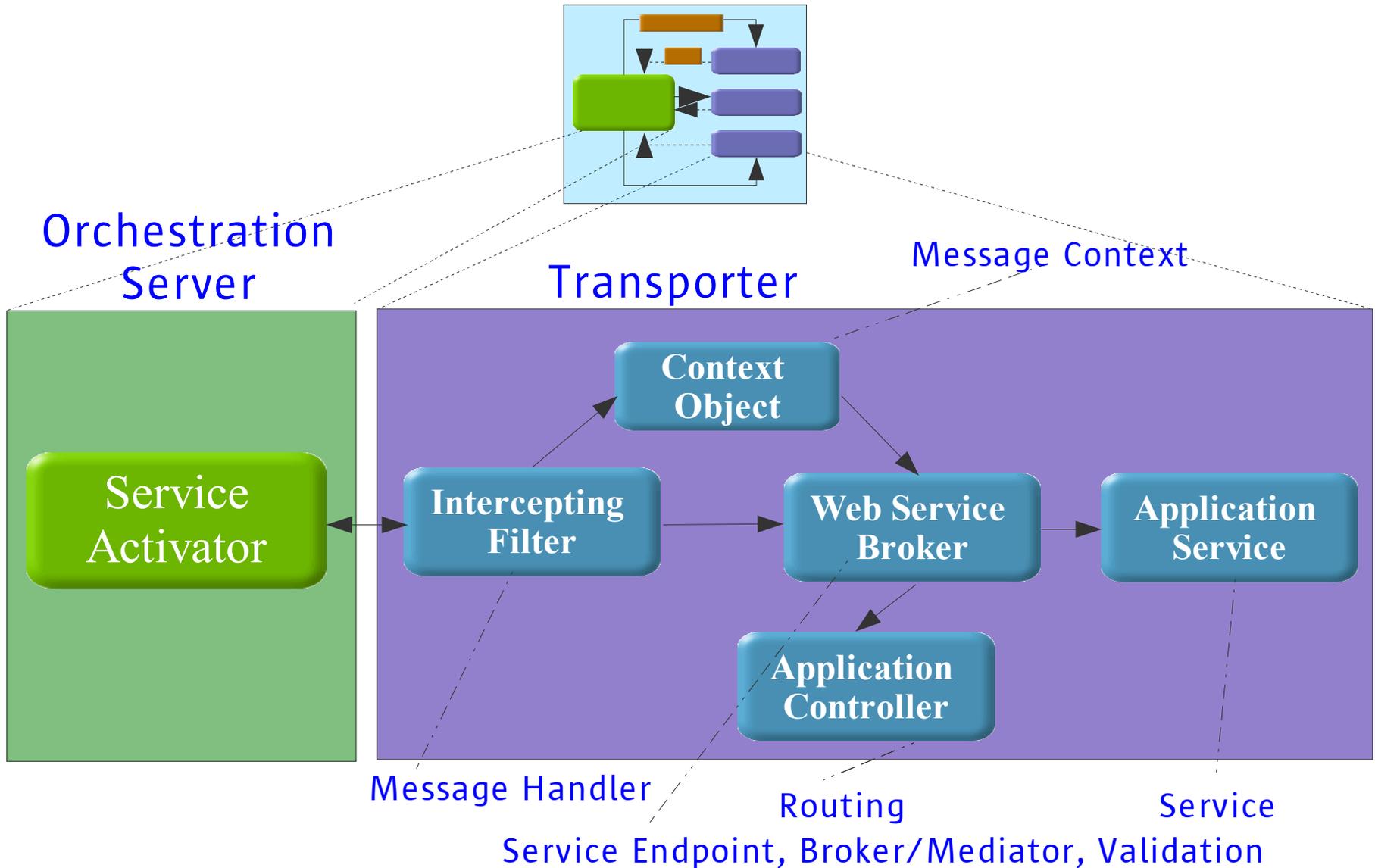


# Async Web Service Orchestration

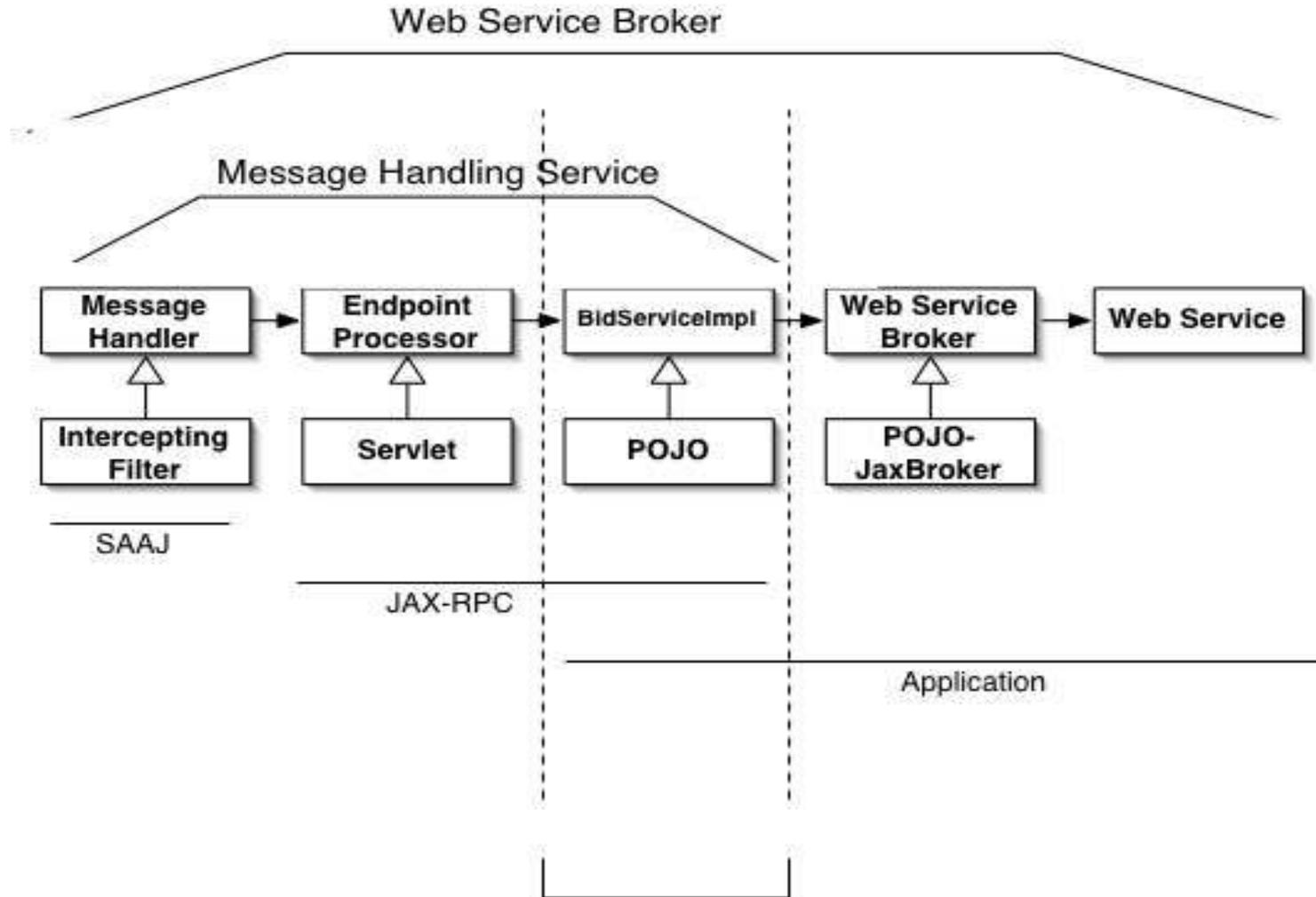
- Shipping Company contracts Transporters to ship products



# Micro Architecture composed of Patterns

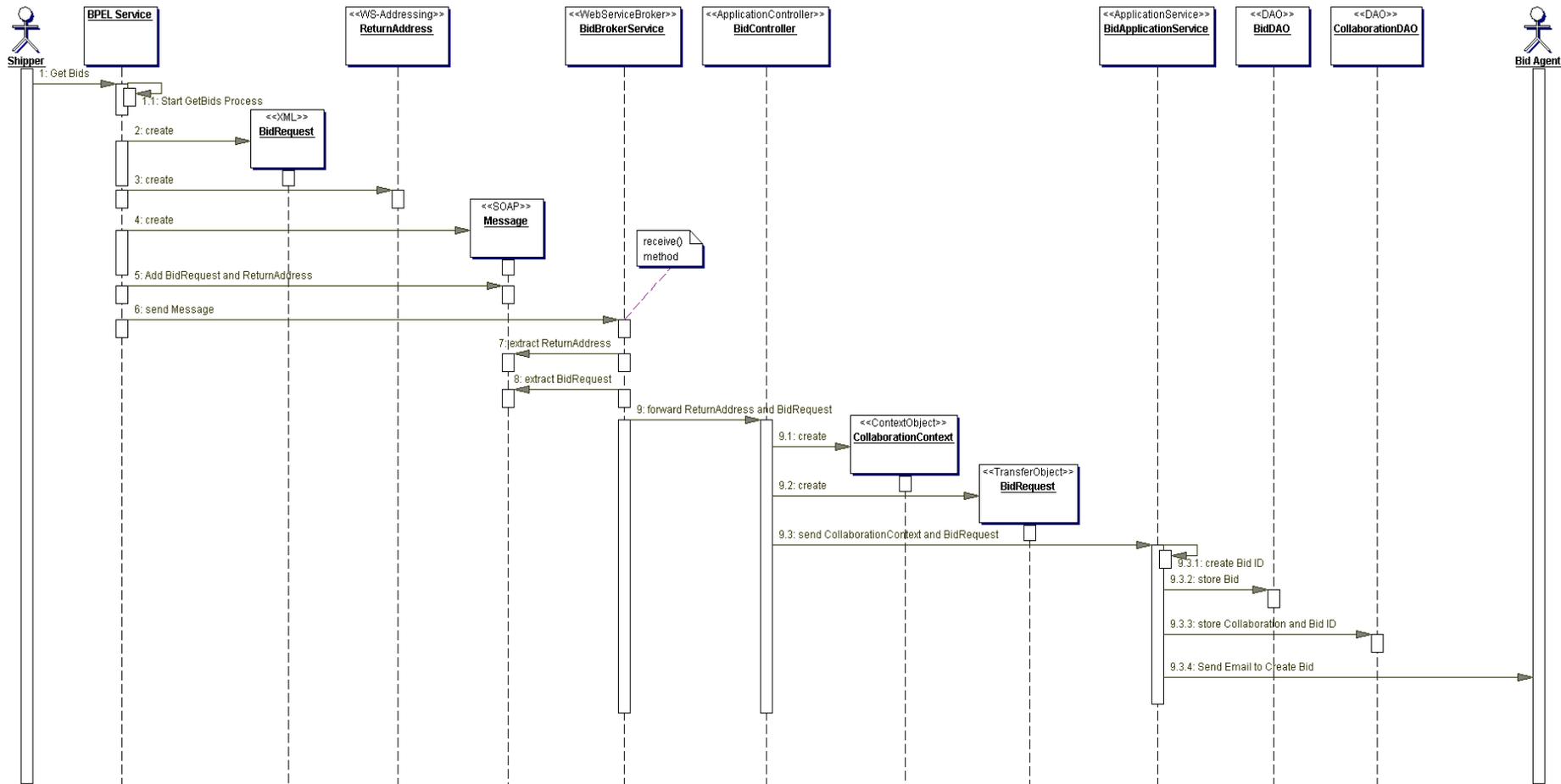


# Web Service Broker



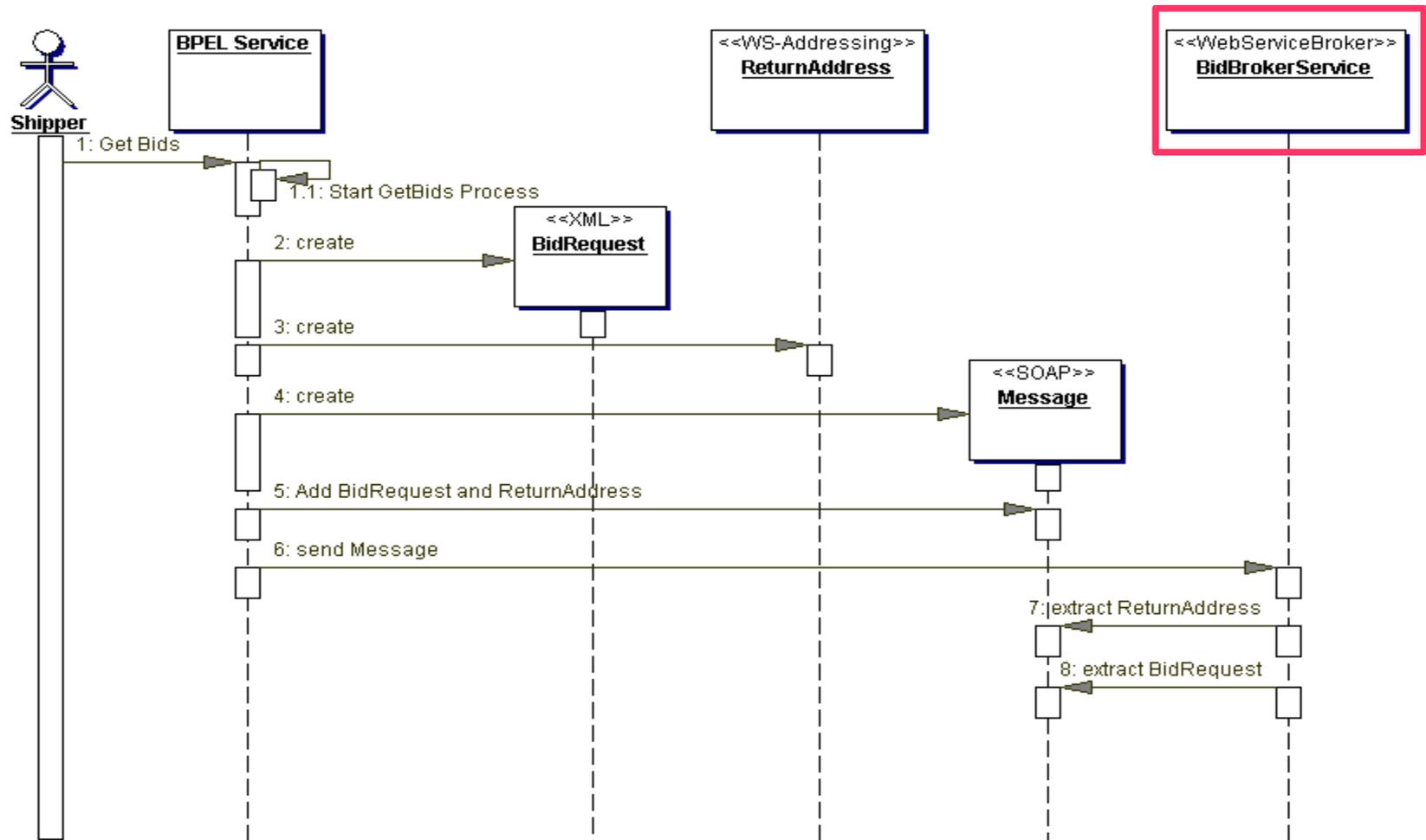
Application and JAX-RPC code combine to provide message handling service extension

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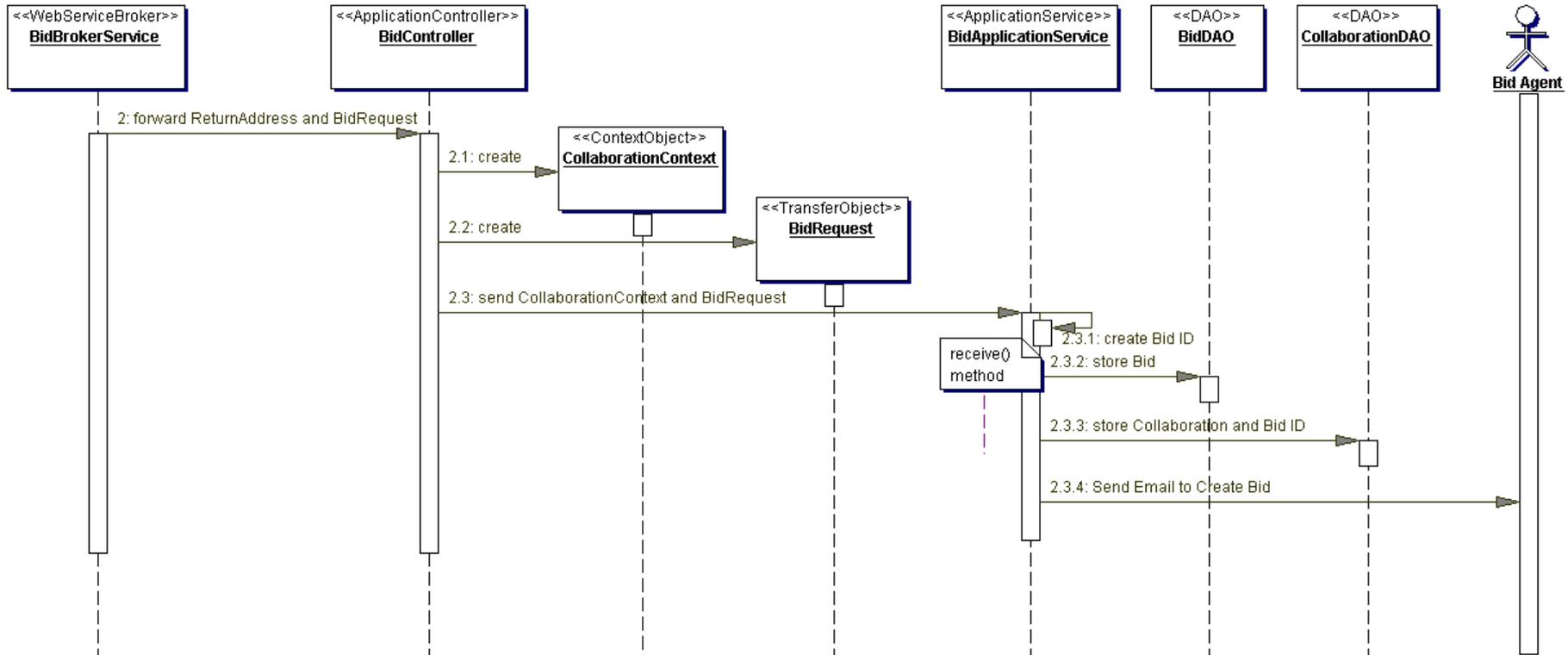


# Get Bids Interaction – Part 1

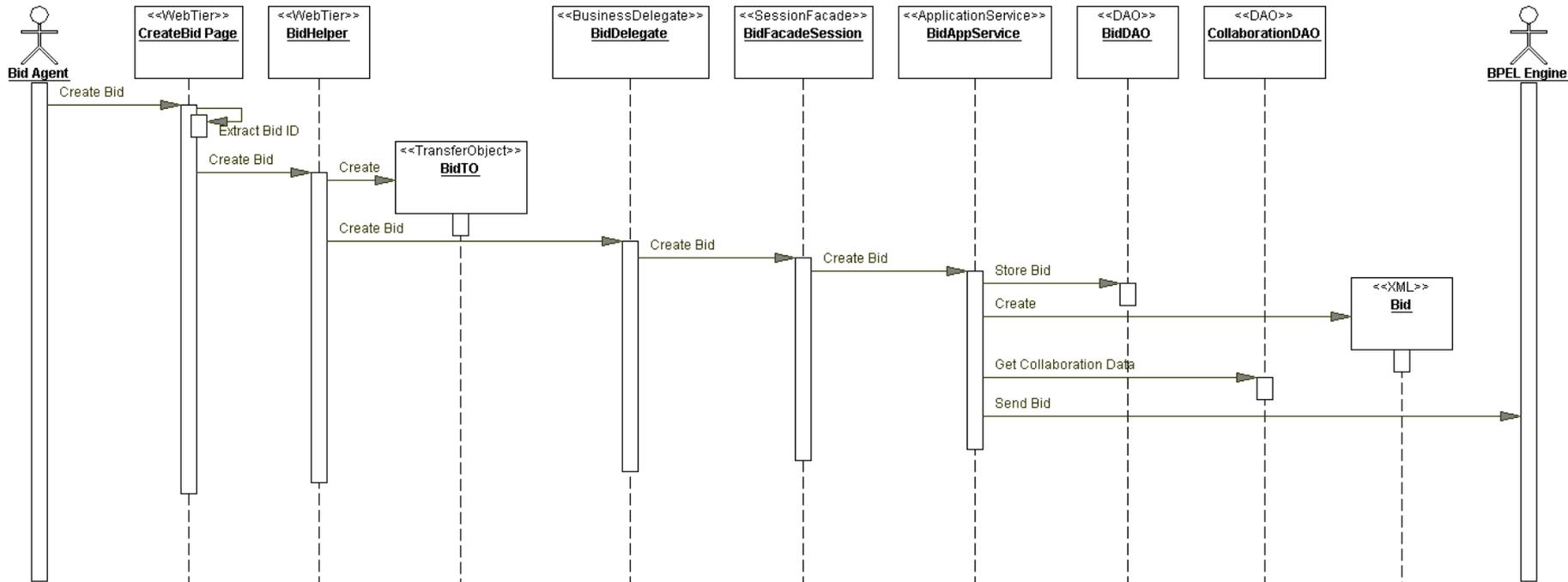
## Transporter Web Service



# Get Bids Interaction – Part 2

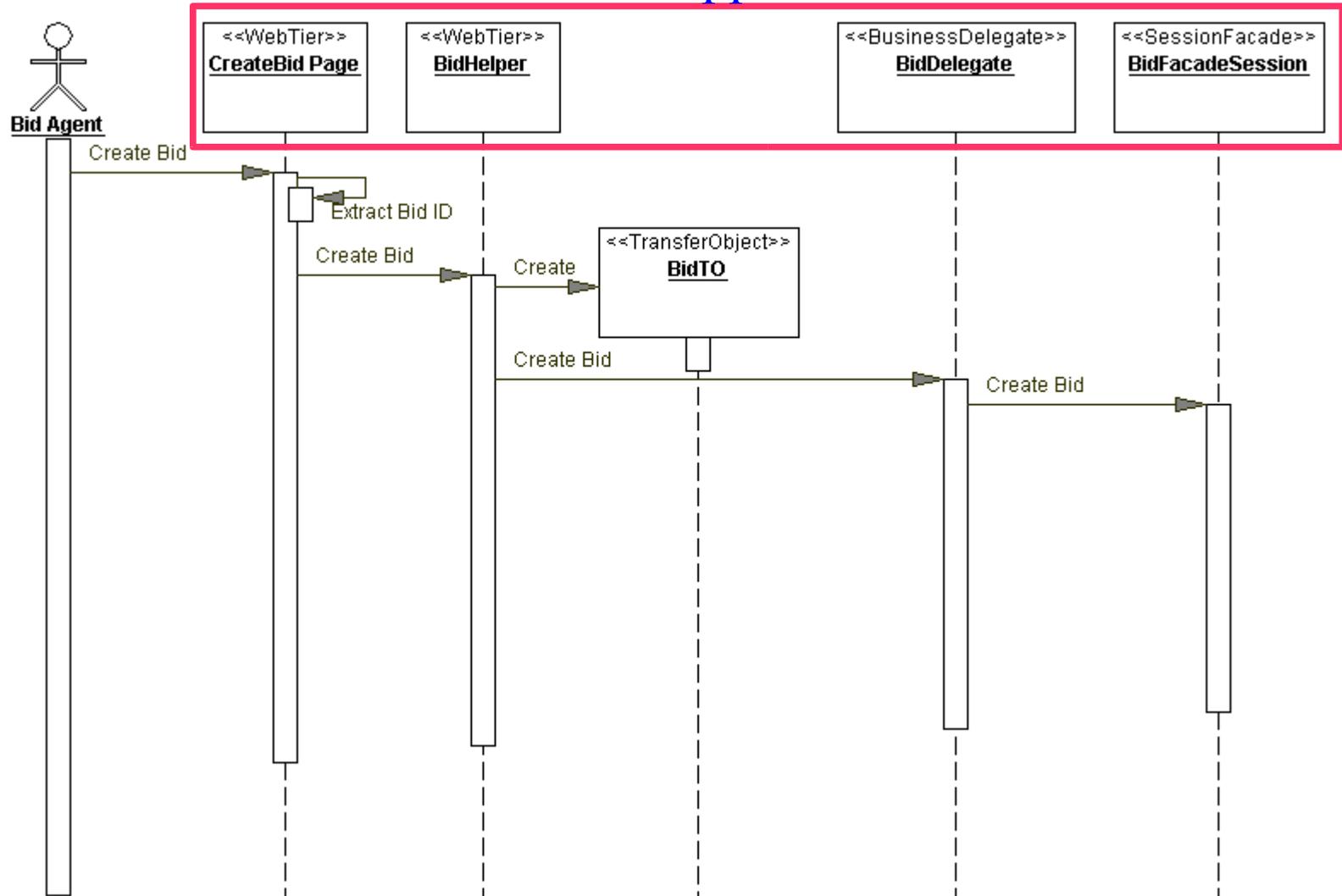


# Create Bid Interaction Eye-Chart



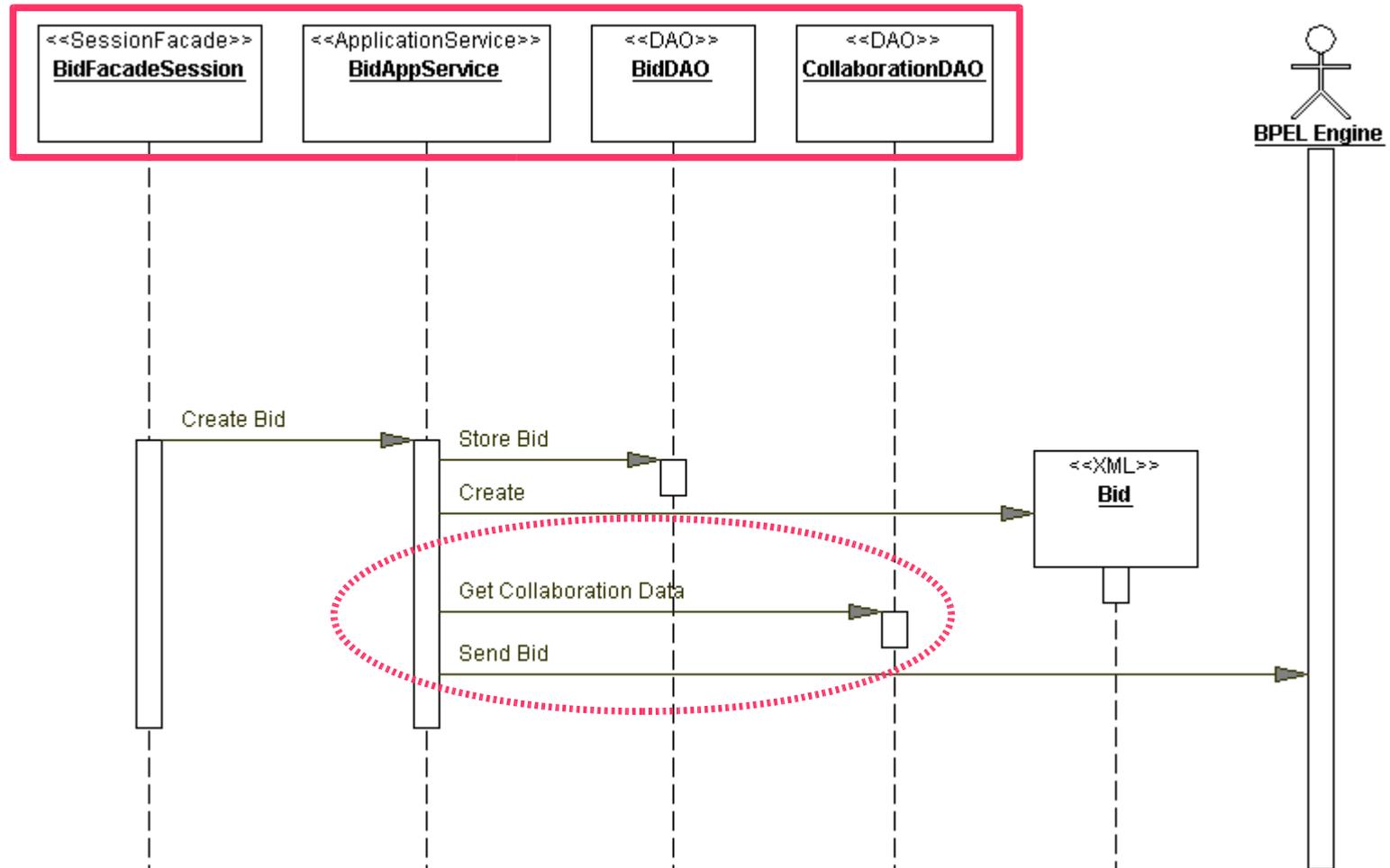
# Create Bid Interaction – Part 1

## Bid App



# Create Bid Interaction – Part 2

## Bid App





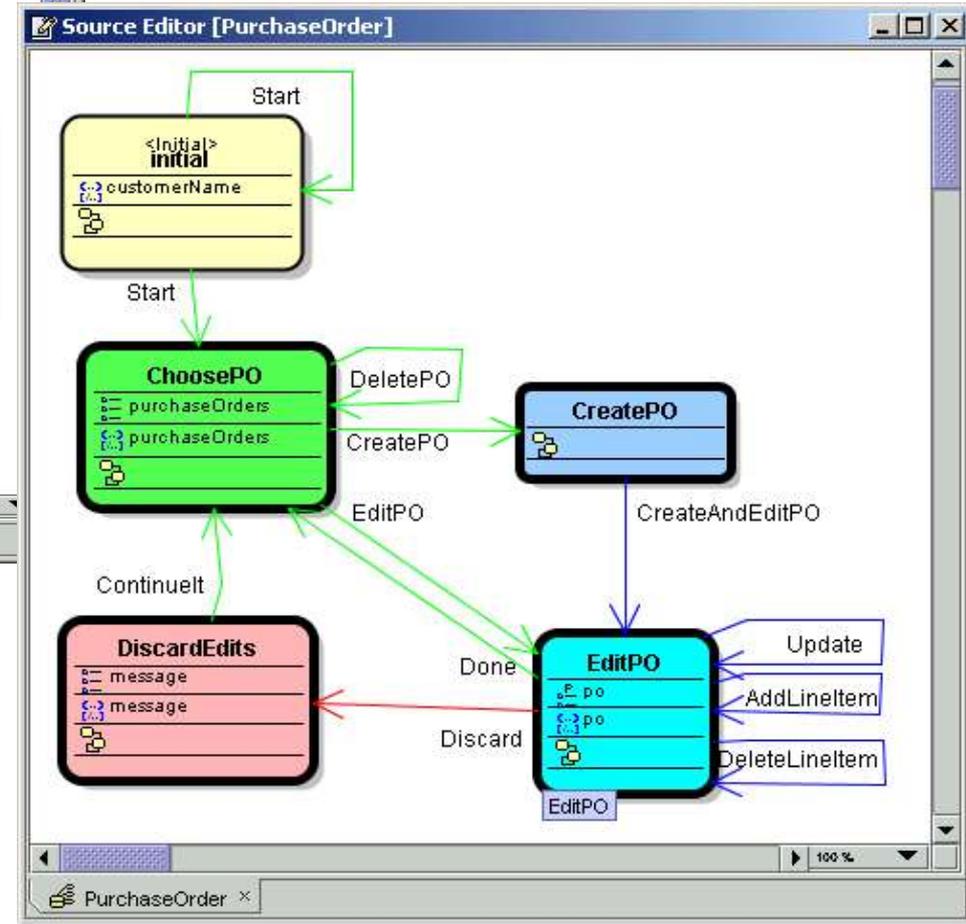
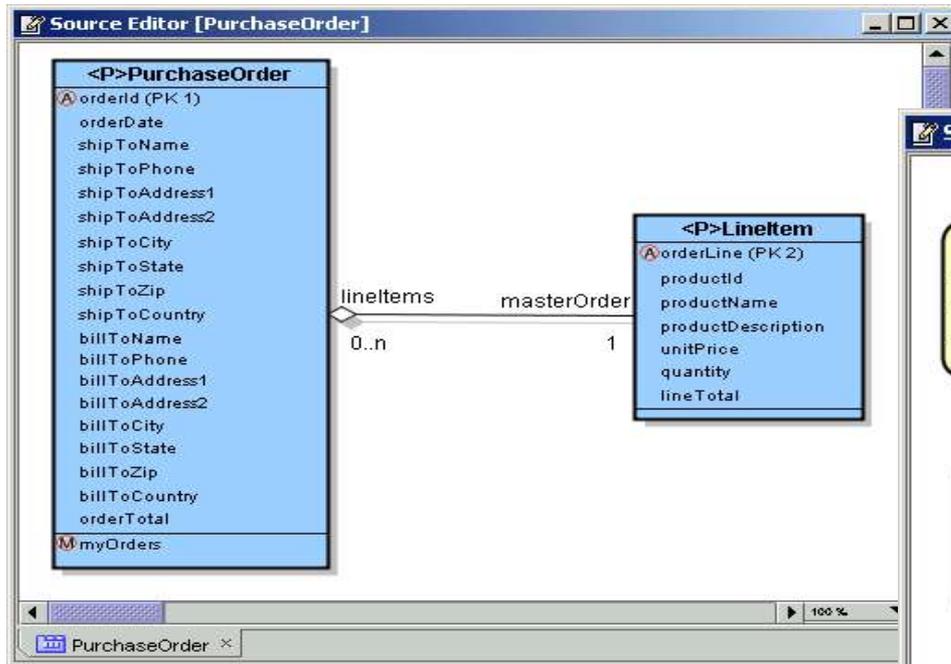
# ACE: Design To Deploy Service

- Rapid intuitive design of enterprise applications
- Focus on design rather than coding
- Builds upon best practices, patterns and frameworks
- Fewer resources, faster development
- Automated deployment

# DASL: Specification Language

- ACE uses a high level domain modeling language called DASL
- DASL is used to specify:
  - Business Objects, relationships
  - Core reusable business logic
  - User interaction
  - Transactions and Persistence

# DASL: Graphic tools

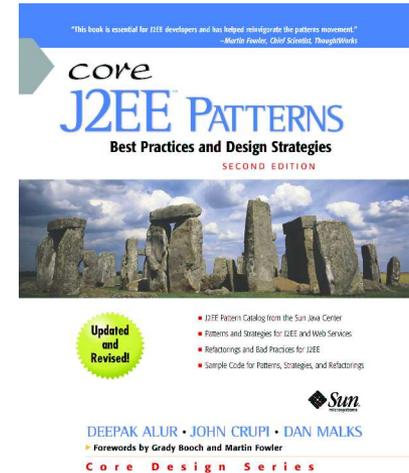


# Summary

- Patterns are great! Use them effectively to improve software quality
  - Build New Architecture
  - Analyse / understand existing Architecture
  - Refactor
- Avoid re-inventing the wheel
- Promote design re-use
- Increase developer productivity, communication
- Micro Architectures leverage patterns
- Large and growing community around patterns

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