

Modern Software Development Tools on OpenVMS

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- Modern Development Tools for OpenVMS

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What is Modern Software Development?



- Object-Oriented Languages
 - Java, C++, C#, etc
- Current Popular Software Designs
 - Web-based
 - Application server based
 - JSPs, Servlets, EJBs, Web Services
 - Service oriented architecture
- Distributed Applications
 - Heterogeneous execution environments
- Modern development methodology
 - Agile methods
 - Work well with object-oriented languages

Goal: Use the same tools to develop all the pieces!

Today's Environment







- Sun-Sponsored Open-Source Integrated Development Environment
- 100% Java runs anywhere there's a JVM
- Current version is 5.5.1, with 6.0 in beta
- Feature-rich: drag-n-drop GUI creation, excellent editing, JSPs, Web services, excellent debugging, profiling, etc.
- Extensible via plug-ins
- Positioned as platform and IDE
- Competes with Eclipse...the leap frog effect

Why Not Use Eclipse?



- We joined the NetBeans open-source project in 2001, long before Eclipse was open-sourced
- NetBeans has the most advanced GUI building tools available in any open-source Java IDE
- NetBeans comes with many features built-in, Eclipse is more spartan by default
- Eclipse certainly has more available plug-ins and bigger corporate backing, but there is lots of disagreement over which is "better"
- NetBeans just won the 2007 "Bossie" for the Best IDE

NetBeans Major Features



- Advanced source code editor
- Drag-n-drop Swing GUI editor
- Web application development JSPs, JSF, Struts, JSTL, plus debugging
- Enterprise Development easily create EJB3 and JAX-WS web services
- Built-in application servers Tomcat, Glassfish
- Complete Ant support, including debugging
- Version control support CVS, Subversion, VSS and others
- Wizards, code generation and management tools
- Lots more...

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Integrated Source Code Editor



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- -GUI debugger, integrated with editor
- Debug Java, JSPs, Ant scripts
- Watches for variables, class instances, and expressions
- Breakpoints
- Connection to remote JVM via JPDA
- Multiple thread support
- Tracing and stepping
- Variable evaluation using mouse-over

Distributed NetBeans



- Allows any desktop (Windows, Linux, HP-UX, etc.) to be used to do remote OpenVMS development
- NetBeans runs on the desktop, with our plug-in installed (Windows, MACOS, Linux, HP-UX...)
- Uses FTP or SMB* to access the files on your OpenVMS machine
- Syntax highlighting and formatting, remote compilation, error navigation, remote execution, and remote debugging* for Java, C/C++, Cobol, Fortran, Pascal, and Basic
- EDT keypad!
- Remote execution for DCL command procedures, .EXE files, Ant scripts, Bash shell scripts, MMS files

The Anatomy of Distributed NetBeans





Distributed NetBeans Version Info



- Distributed NetBeans V5 FT2 available now
- FT3 is coming soon with
 - 3GL debug support
 - SMB support
 - Remote execute for .EXE files
 - Foreign command support
 - Extended password protections
 - Bug fixes
 - more

Modernizing Existing Applications: The Legacy Application Problem



- Legacy Applications continue to be the backbone of today's enterprises.
 - Most business logic still embedded in these applications.
 - Proven reliability
 - Developed familiarity
- New Technologies are continually introduced.
 - As time marches on, new standards & technologies emerge.
- Pressure to integrate existing applications.
 - Leverage existing code & stability in new ways.

Web Services and Integration



- Web Services is fundamental, enabling technology for integration solutions
 - Vendor, platform, and language independent (Industry Std)
 - The way to integrate with Microsoft .NET
 - An easy way to integrate with J2EE
- Think of Web Services as "middleware for seamless integration"
- Dynamic computing environment for applications

Today's Environment





Many integration possibilities





- Drivers to access the enterprise data directly.
- API wrappers to access exposed business logic.
- Screen Scrapers to convert green screens into method calls.

Which one is right for you?



- How open is the application to being encapsulated?
- How much do you want to rewrite?
- How important is performance to you?
- Does the application have natural boundaries that can be exploited?



API Integration





WSIT Overview





WSIT Features - Tools



- Tools that can be used individually or together, including:
 OBJ2IDL
 - Given an 164 object file (with debug records), generates WSIT IDL
 - ACMS2IDL
 - Given an ACMS STDL file, generates WSIT IDL
 - IDL2CODE
 - Given WSIT IDL, generates all wrapper & interface code
 - Uses user modifiable Apache Velocity based templates for generation
 - XMLValidate
 - Validates WSIT IDL against specified XML schema
 - ANT command environment to integrate the development process
 - A scalable runtime environment.

WSIT - Development Steps



• Develop clients for the new application

- Use the clients that WSIT optionally creates as a starter
- Write your own using WS, java, J2EE, JSPs, Servlets, etc.



*Sample Web Server client is new for WSIT V2.0

WSIT Features - OpenVMS



- Understands OpenVMS based languages & environments.
 - Knowledge of 3GLs, such as C, BASIC, Fortran, COBOL, etc.
 - ACMS support
 - Support for most OpenVMS datatypes, structures, and arrays
 - Support for OpenVMS standard passing mechanisms
- Understands concepts, such as processes, threading, and interprocess communication within OpenVMS.
 - Built-in support for threaded & non-threaded applications.
 - Built-in support for process/server pooling for quicker access.
 - Built-in support for ACME services-based authentication.

Web Services and Integration - Summary



- Legacy Applications contain gold that needs to be mined.
 - You need to determine the best way to get at this gold
- API level Integration into Legacy Applications provide:
 - Code reuse (reliability, quicker development)
 - Better performance in most cases
- WSIT is an OpenVMS based API Integration Technology
 - Provides a set of tools that work together
 - Developed specifically for OpenVMS
 - Makes development quick & easy
 - Generates a WS friendly java class as the new interface into the application

Web Services Integration Toolkit (cont)



- Supports Alpha and Integrity
- OpenVMS Technical Journal article by David Sullivan http://h71000.www7.hp.com/openvms/journal/v7/
- Current released version is 1.2, available for download on website
- Current FT version is T2.0 (release in October)
 - Support for binary large objects (BLOBs)
 - Built-in tracing for all wrapped routines and parameters.
 - Tighter checking of Boolean values in IDL.
 - Support for POJO clients with zero parameters
 - Bug fixes
- Coming in V3.0
 - Generate a sample AXIS2 web service caller for the encapsulated app
 - A monitor tool to manage WSIT application
 - More! Plus, we're taking requests!





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