Navigating Pacific



A Voyage through an OpenEdge AppServer Hackathon

A Hearty Crew of Pacific Pirates

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Chart

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- Hack ahoy!

Duration



An Introduction to PAS for OpenEdge



Architectural Drivers

- Secure production web server
 - Installation, administration
- Simpler
 - Administration, scalability, application migration, deployment
 - AppServer connection and operating states

Customer Extensible

- Open REST APIs for customer developed metrics, monitoring, and administration
- Installation tailoring

Better analysis tools

- Built-in metrics gathering, current state queries
- Faster and optimizes resources
 - Runs same ABL application and client load with less memory and CPU consumption

Pacific Application Server for OpenEdge (PAS for OE)

- Installable web server product that merges into a single package the functionality of:
 - Tomcat
 - OpenEdge AppServer
 - AppServer Adapters
- Runs in Progress's unified Pacific Application Server (PAS) platform
 - Same web server installed with Rollbase-private installation and with Corticon
 - Common server administration and configuration functionality
- Supported on only 64 bit platforms (Linux, Solaris, HPUX-IA, AIX, Windows 2008/2012)
- Two products: Development server and Production server

Pacific Application Server Platform

- Created from Apache Tomcat 7.0.55 distribution
- Configured for production by default
 - Default ROOT application replaced
 - Tomcat manager web applications not installed
 - Auto deployment disabled by default
 - Shutdown port disabled on Unix
 - JMX not enabled by default
 - Web crawler filtering enabled
- Spring Security Framework included
- Realms and roles defined to implement access control
- Enhanced command line tool to configure and manage server
- Will be default implementation for Rollbase and Corticon

PAS for OE Architectural Concepts and Terms

- PAS is a Java web application server with Progress extensions
 - Optional web application for remote administration using text, html, or JMX proxy APIs
- ABL services for Pacific Application Server (ABLPAS)
 - An collection of Java web applications and resources installed and into a PAS
 - Java web applications use multi-session agent OS process (**MSAgent**)
 - *Optional* web application for remote administration using REST APIs
 - **ABLPAS** web services can be installed into the **PAS** of other PSC product installations
- **PAS for OE** is an OpenEdge installed **PAS** with a pre-installed **ABLPAS** services
- You design, package, deploy, configure, debug, and control access to your ABL application in the context of a web application running in a web server

Architecture: Components





- What's new?
 - SESSION:CLIENT-TYPE
 = MULTI-SESSION-AGENT
 - Built-in Spring security for ABL (APSV) and SOAP client connections
 - agentStartup, -Shutdown event procedure (in addition to session-)
 - Set environment variables via setenv.[bat|sh]
 - CURRENT-REQUEST-INFO new attributes
 - Command-line and other tools

What's different?

- Client determines session
 management, not server
- ABL AppServer CONNECT() arguments
 - Must use -URL
- Both connect/disconnect and activate/deactive run for session-managed
- Property names changed, more of them
- ubroker.properties → \$CATALINA_BASE/conf/o penedge.properties
- SESSION:SERVER-OPERATING-MODE

What's gone?

- Native protocol everything's over HTTP on /apsv
- AIA
- The term broker
- Name Server & NS load balancer
- The Environment section in ubroker.properties
- -AppService CONNECT() argument

Why Is This All Good for Me?

- Get more done with less code
- AppServer: session-managed binds user session & connection OR unbound connections and DIY session management
- PAS for OE: Session managed code (less code) without connection binding
 - Multi-session agent runs up to 7x* faster;
 - Your application's performance improvements will vary
- Standard deployment configuration with Tomcat

* Standard disclaimer applies

Creating and Starting an Instance



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Understanding PAS for OE Instance Run-time



PAS for OE Instances

- Each instance has a name
 - **oepas1** is the equivalent to AppServer's **asbroker1** default
- Instances have private file space outside the OE install
- An instance lives beyond OE uninstall
- Instances are transferrable between OE installs
- An instance can be packaged and redeployed

Command Line Tools for Creating and Managing Instances

- tcman.[sh/bat] primary tool for configuring PAS
 - \$CATALINA_HOME/bin/tcman.bat to create instance
 - \$CATALINA_BASE/bin/tcman.bat to configure instance
 - tcman.bat help <command> for usage info
 - Doesn't need proenv

Labs Preamble

- You should already have received login credentials for an Arcade instance (no relation)
 - You should ideally have installed some or all of your application on it
- For this hackathon, some paths

 DLC = c:\Progress\OpenEdge115
 ← OpenEdge location

 CATALINA_HOME = c:\Progress\OpenEdge115\servers\pasoe
 ← Tomcat location

 CATALINA_BASE = c:\hackathon\oepas1
 ← Instance location

- All relative paths are relative to CATALINA_BASE unless otherwise specified
- The various scripts being run in this lab are the Windows variants (*.bat); Unixy variants (*.sh) are provided on those platforms

Learning Lab 1

- Start the preinstalled PAS instance
- Verify that it's running
- Stop the instance
- Clean up the log files
- Create a new instance (you'll need it later)
- Start/verify/stop your new instance

Everyone should, at this point, be able to create, start and stop an instance

Client Connections



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PAS for OE ABL Application Architecture Models

- ABL client controls session model via CONNECT method's sessionModel option
- Session-Free
 - Client's request can be executed in any ABL session, in any Agent, in any PAS for OE server
 - A client can execute concurrent ABL requests
 - User context managed entirely by the server application and client code
- Session-Managed
 - Required if you want to implement State-Reset, State-Aware, Stateless modes
 - Each client's request routed to same PAS for OE server, MSAgent, and ABL session
 - A user's context is stored within an Agent's ABL session between requests
 - Supports Automatic Transactions [that span multiple requests]
 - A client can execute pipelined async requests [to single ABL session]

Connecting to PAS for OE

- All connections now use HTTP(S)
 ... even ABL clients
- Session management mode
 - Default is Session-Free
 - Selected when clients connect
- Use standard ABL to connect
 - Must use –URL
- Once connected, business logic unchanged
- Client connection parameters
 - -AppService becomes -URL
 - /wsa becomes /soap
 - /rest stays/rest (no change)

define variable AppHandle as handle. define variable system-path as character. define variable db-connections as character. create server AppHandle. AppHandle:connect("-URL http://localhost:8810/ROOT/apsv -sessionModel Session-free "). run testserver.p on AppHandle (output system-path, output db-connections). message 'PROPATH= ' system-path skip 'DBs= ' db-connections view-as alert-box info. finally: AppHandle:disconnect() no-error. delete object AppHandle no-error. end finally.

Service URLs



- ROOT is the default service. Ideally you should use something more meaningful named
- Services are the where you apply web server-level security
- URLs should always contain instance **and** service **and** transport
- Resources are optional, depending on transport

Learning Lab 2

- Start PDSOE
- Write an ABL procedure that
 - Connects to a running Instance, and
 - Runs a program on that Instance
- All the sample code is in c:/hackathon/samples

Configuring an Instance for Your Application



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PAS for OpenEdge configuration files

- Each instance's config files are in \$CATALINA_BASE/conf
- Properties in multiple property files
 - Tomcat, PAS: eg logging.properties, appserver.properties
 - OpenEdge: openedge.properties file
- Core Pacific AppServer uses Java style property files
 - Managed with tcman config
 - tcman test
- Environment variables defined in instance's \$CATALINA_BASE/bin in <appname>_setenv.bat



- OpenEdge extension use ubroker style property file
 - \$CATALINA_BASE/conf/openedge.properties
 - \$CATALINA_BASE/bin/oeprop.bat manages openedge.properties
- Properties renamed and moved into different/new groups
 - Properties related to Agent process startup prefixed with agent
 - Properties related to Sessions prefixed with session
 - srvrStartupParam -> agentStartupParam
 - srvrStartupProc -> agentStartupProc
 - srvrStartupProcParam -> agentStartupProcParam

Where Does My Code Live?

- No changes to PROPATH required
- Production server: r-code only
- Potential r-code locations
 - As part of the instance
 - \$CATALINA_BASE/openedge
 - Package and deploy instance as single unit
 - As part of an ABL web application
 - \$CATALINA_BASE/webapps/ROOT/ web-inf
 - Package and deploy individual services as war file
 - Whereever it lives today
 - Whatever you do today

[AppServer.Agent.oepas1]

uuid=http://localhost:8810/oepas1
PROPATH=\${CATALINA_BASE}/openedge,\${DLC}/tty

[AppServer.SessMgr.oepas1]

agentLogEntryTypes=ASPlumbing,DB.Connects
agentLogFile=

\${catalina.base}/logs/oepas1.agent.log

agentLoggingLevel=3
publishDir=\${CATALINA_BASE}/openedge



• Trick lab ... we will do a lot of this later

Configuring Event Procedures



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Configuring Event Procedures

- Agent event procedures
 - Related to Agent process startup and shutdown
 - agentStartupProc and agentShutdownProc
 - Execute once when starting / stopping an MSAgent
- Session event procedures
 - Related to Session use
 - Sessions are state-aware and reusable
 - Support stateful and stateless requests
 - Must be cleaned up when done
- sessionStartupProc & sessionShutdownProc
 - Executes in PAS for OE when the MSAgent starts/stops each ABL SESSION
- sessionConnectProc & sessionDisconnectProc
 - Runs for all **Session-Managed** client connections
- sessionActivateProc & sessionDeactivateProc
 - Runs for (nearly, see later) all requests





http://localhost:8810/apsv			S Agent
run testserver.p on AppHandle	AppHandle:connect("-URL http://localhost:8810/apsv		nStartupPro
run testserver.p on AppHandle	-sessionModel Session-Mana		nConnectPro
AppHandle:disconnect().	run testserver.p on AppHandle		
	AppHandle:disconnect().		











MS Agent AppHandle:connect("-URL http://localhost:8810/apsv -sessionModel Session-Managed"). Sess run testserver.p on AppHandle. Mgr AppHandle:disconnect(). DELETE http://localhost:8810/oemanager
/applications/oepas1/sessions/123 agentShutdownProc tcman stop


tcman start



AppHandle:connect("-URL http://localhost:8810/apsv

-sessionModel Session-Managed").

run testserver.p on AppHandle.

AppHandle:disconnect().



DELETE http://localhost:8810/oemanager
/applications/oepas1/sessions/123

tcman stop



Sess

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Configuring Event Procedures for Session Management

- Migrating Classic State-Reset AppServer Mode
 - Call **QUIT** ABL as last line ideally in FINALLY block of disconnect .p
 - *AND* also the below
- Migrating Classic **State-Aware** AppServer Mode
 - To achieve client **bound** behavior, the first statement in connect .p must be SESSION:SERVER-CONNECTION-BOUND-REQUEST = TRUE
 - And the (second-) last statement before disconnect .p exits must be

SESSION:SERVER-CONNECTION-BOUND-REQUEST = FALSE

• This fully disables the execution of Activate and Deactivate .p's and still leave them available for use by Session-Free client connections.



Configuring Event Procedures for Session Management

- Migrating Classic Stateless AppServer Mode
 - No changes required to event procedures.
- Migrating Classic State-Free AppServer Mode
 - No changes required to event procedures.

Connecting Your Databases



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Database Connections in PAS for OE

- Almost nothing changes
 - Connections via –pf or –db
 - ABL code the same
- Multi-session agent requires a dedicated DB connection
 - Used to manage all of that agent's sessions' DB connections
 - See it in PROMON as PASA (for agent) and PASN (for session)
 - Disconnect PASA at your own peril. Your Mileage Will Not Vary: it will be 0.



Learning Lab 5

- Check that the Sports2000
- Add the database connection to the Instance properties
 - Add startup parameters to the startup properties

OR

- Add ABL code to an event procedure
- Run ABL client code to verify the database connection

Deploying Services



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Deploying Services

- SOAP Services
 - wsm file created by ProxyGen
 - Supports wsm files created with any version of OpenEdge
 - deploySOAP.bat deploys wsm file to running AppServer
- REST Services
 - paar file created by Progress Developers Studio
 - Extract paar file from war/zip created by PDS
 - Copy paar files from deployed 11.x REST applications
 - deployREST.bat deploys paar file to AppServer
 - Requires server restart if running
- Mobile Services (Apps)
 - Mobile apps (UI) and services (REST) can run together in same Instance

Learning Lab 6

- Deploy REST application RESTService
- Restart PAS for OE to get the service enabled
 - Archive log files on cleanup
- Test that the REST resources are available
- Deploy the SOAP application
- Run ABL test code written against the WSDL

Administration and Monitoring



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- Logs can be found in \$CATALINA_BASE/logs
- Adapter/Session Manager log oepas1.[DATE].log
 - Logs roll over daily
 - Configured through \$CATALINA_BASE/webapps/oepas1/web-inf/logging.xml
- Agent log oepas1.agent.log
 - Configured in openedge.properties
 - No changes from classic AppServer other than property name prefix
 - agentLogEntryTypes supported
- tcman clean [-A]
 - Truncates/deletes log files
 - -A archives logs in timestamped subdirectory

Administration and Monitoring

- Tomcat Manager
 - Deployed with development server
 - Provides basic server operation information
- JMX Support
 - Tomcat provides rich set of JMX Beans
 - Disabled by default use toman to enable
 - Not recommended for production servers security concern
- OE Manager
 - Deployed with development server
 - Provides OE Specific JMX Beans
 - Provides REST API used by OEM

Learning Lab 7

- Increase logging levels
- Enable REST API
- Turning on JMX

Your Turn Now ... Time to Hack



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Migrating Your Application

- You should have installed your application's bits by now. If not, there's a version of AutoEdge you can use (located at c:/hackathon/autoedge)
- You'll probably need to change the following (at a minimum)
 - PROPATH
 - Event procedures
 - ABL client connections
 - DB connections
- You may want to play with
 - Handing session-managed and –free modes in code
 - Securing access to the /aspv transport in \$CATALINA_BASE/webapps/ROOT/WEB-INF/apsv-*.xml
 - Remote administration

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