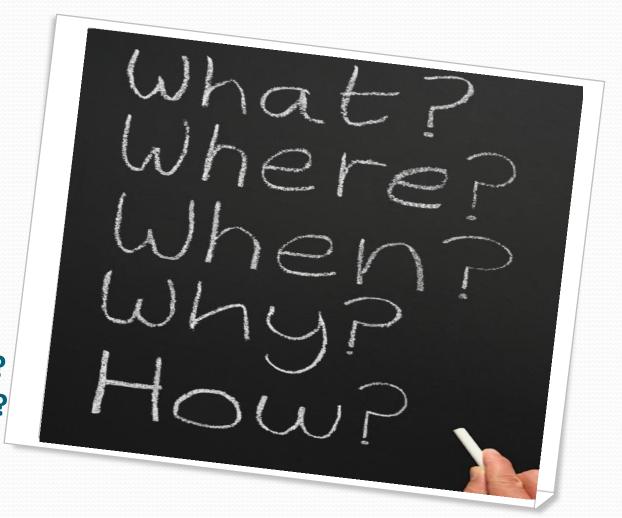
Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)

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Agenda

What is it?
Why to use it?
When to use it?
How to implement it?
Where not to apply it?



What?

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What is (Software) Architecture?

• Software architecture is the <u>fundamental organization</u> of a system, embodied in its <u>components</u>, <u>their</u> <u>relationships</u> to each other and the environment, and the principles governing its design and evolution.

- IEEE 1471-2000

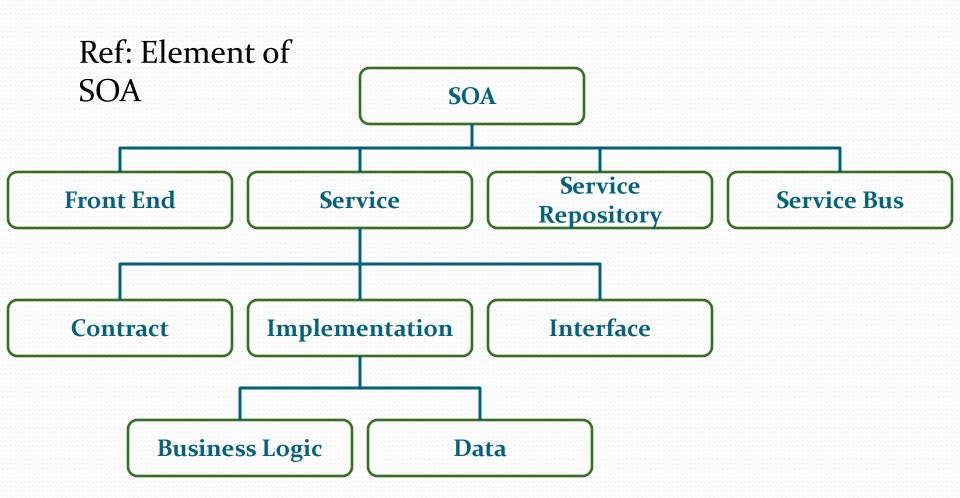
What is Service?

- A mechanism to enable access to one or more capabilities
 - using a prescribed interface
 - consistent with constraints and policies as specified by the service description.
- Windows service : RPC Locator, Event Log
- Software Service: Distribution, Alert, Log

So SOA is:

- A business-centric IT architectural approach that supports integrating your business as linked, repeatable business tasks, or services. - IBM
- Service Oriented Architecture is a paradigm for organizing and utilizing distributed capabilities that may be under the control of different ownership domains.

Components of SOA



Architectural Principles

- <u>Loose coupling</u> Services maintain a relationship that minimizes dependencies and only maintain an awareness of each other
- <u>Service contract</u> Services adhere to a communications agreement as defined collectively by one or more service description documents
- <u>Service abstraction</u> Beyond what is described in the service contract, services hide logic from the outside world
- <u>Service reusability</u> Logic is divided into services with the intention of promoting reuse

Architectural Principles...

- <u>Service composability</u> Collections of services can be coordinated and assembled to form composite services
- <u>Service autonomy</u> Services have control over the logic they encapsulate
- <u>Service optimization</u> All else equal, high-quality services are generally considered preferable to low-quality ones
- <u>Service discoverability</u> Services are designed to be outwardly descriptive so that they can be found and assessed via available discovery mechanisms

Why?

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Business Benefits

Decreased cost:

- Add value to core investments by leveraging existing assets
- New systems can be built faster for less money because
- Reducing integration expense
- Built for flexibility
- Long term value of interoperability

Business Benefits...

- Increased employee productivity:
 - Built on existing skills
 - Consolidate Duplicate Functionality
- Built for partnerships:
 - Standards based
 - Business relationships expressed via service interactions
 - Integration is driven by what is needed, not what is technically possible

Business Benefits...

- Agility Built for change
 - Helps applications evolve over time and last
 - Abstract the backend and replace over time
 - Focusing on core-competencies
 - Incremental implementation approach is supported.
 - Service Outsourcing new business model!

Technical Benefits

- Services Scale
 - Build scalable, evolvable systems
 - Scale down to mobile devices
 - Scale up to for large systems or across organizations
- Manage complex systems
 - Does not require centralized services
 - Empowers users with high end communication
- Platform independent Use
- Loose Coupling allows flexibility

WHEN?

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Drivers

- Large scale Enterprise systems
- Internet scale provisioning of services
- Reduce the cost of doing business
- Implementation abstraction
- Business process reuse (multiple use cases for same process)

How?

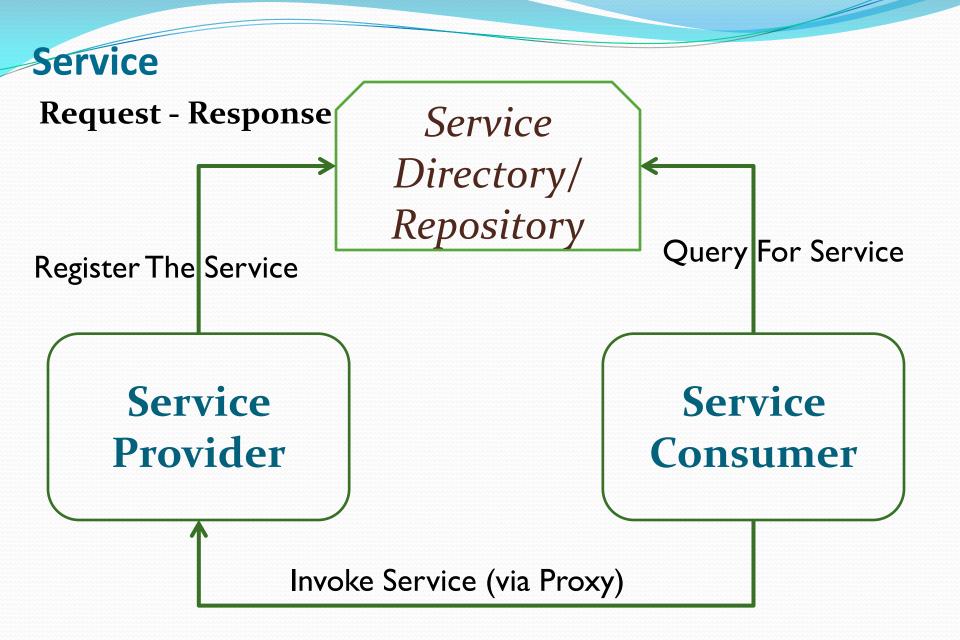
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Getting to SOA

- Think services not objects
- Select which services to expose
- Choose a communication mechanism
- Consider the Security mechanism
- Consider the re-usability

Comprises of

- <u>Services</u>: a function or business processing that is well-defined, self-contained, and does not depend on the context or state of other services
 - Loan Processing Service, Weather Forecast Service
- <u>Connections</u>: The link connecting these selfcontained distributed services with each other.
 - For web services: HTTP and SOAP.



Web Service Example Using ASP.NET

```
<%@ WebService Language="VBScript" Class="TempConvert" %>
Imports System
Imports System.Web.Services
Public Class TempConvert :Inherits WebService
    <WebMethod()>
   Public Function FahrenheitToCelsius (ByVal Fahrenheit As String) As String
          dim fahr
          fahr=trim(replace(Fahrenheit,",","."))
         if fahr="" or IsNumeric(fahr)=false then return "Error"
        return ((((fahr) - 32) / 9) * 5)
     end function
     <WebMethod()>
     Public Function CelsiusToFahrenheit (ByVal Celsius As String) As String
           dim cel
          cel=trim(replace(Celsius,",","."))
          if cel="" or IsNumeric(cel)=false then return "Error"
               return ((((cel) * 9) / 5) + 32)
      end function
end class
```

Web Service Example Using ASP.NET

- Test the Web service :
 - Celsius To Fahrenheit
 - Fahrenheit To Celsius
- Remember :
 - SOA != Web service.
 - Web services can implement a service-oriented architecture.

Challenges

- Managing services
 - Insufficient attention to governance of services can cause performance and reliability issues
- Providing proper security for roles
- Assuring inter-operability of Services

Where NOT?

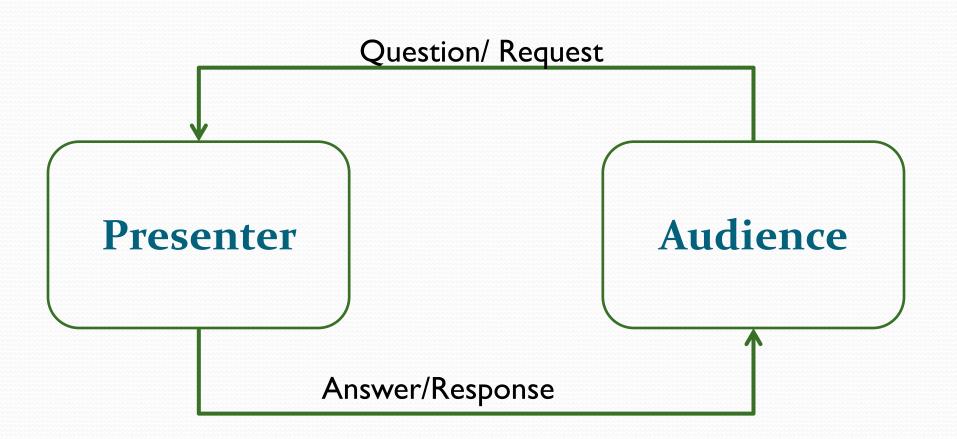
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Where **Not** to use SOA?

- When you have homogenous IT environment
- When real time performance is critical
- When tight coupling is a pro not a con
- When things don't change

Service

Question - Answer



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