

Web Apps using Liberty Profile Technology in CICS TS v5

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Abstract

CICS TS V5.1 offers a fast and lightweight Java™ web container, providing developers with the rich features of Java Servlet and JavaServer Pages (JSP) specifications, and fast local access to your existing CICS applications and data. Built on WebSphere® Application Server Liberty profile technology, this web container runs in the CICS JVM server environment. A wide range of Java development tools can be used to develop web applications, such as WebSphere Application Server Developer Tools for Eclipse (WDT), and Rational® Developer for System z. This session will demonstrate these features and show the integration between the web container and CICS resources.

Agenda



- Java Update for CICS TS
- What is Liberty?
- Liberty in CICS
- Deeper look at Liberty Technology in CICS
- Future Direction and Summary



Java Update



- Java 7 (64-bit) JVMServer
- Equinox 3.7 as the OSGi framework.
 - Implements the OSGi R4.3 specification
- WAS Liberty Profile 8.5.0 based Web Container
- IBM CICS SDK for WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile v5.1
- Eclipse 3.6.2

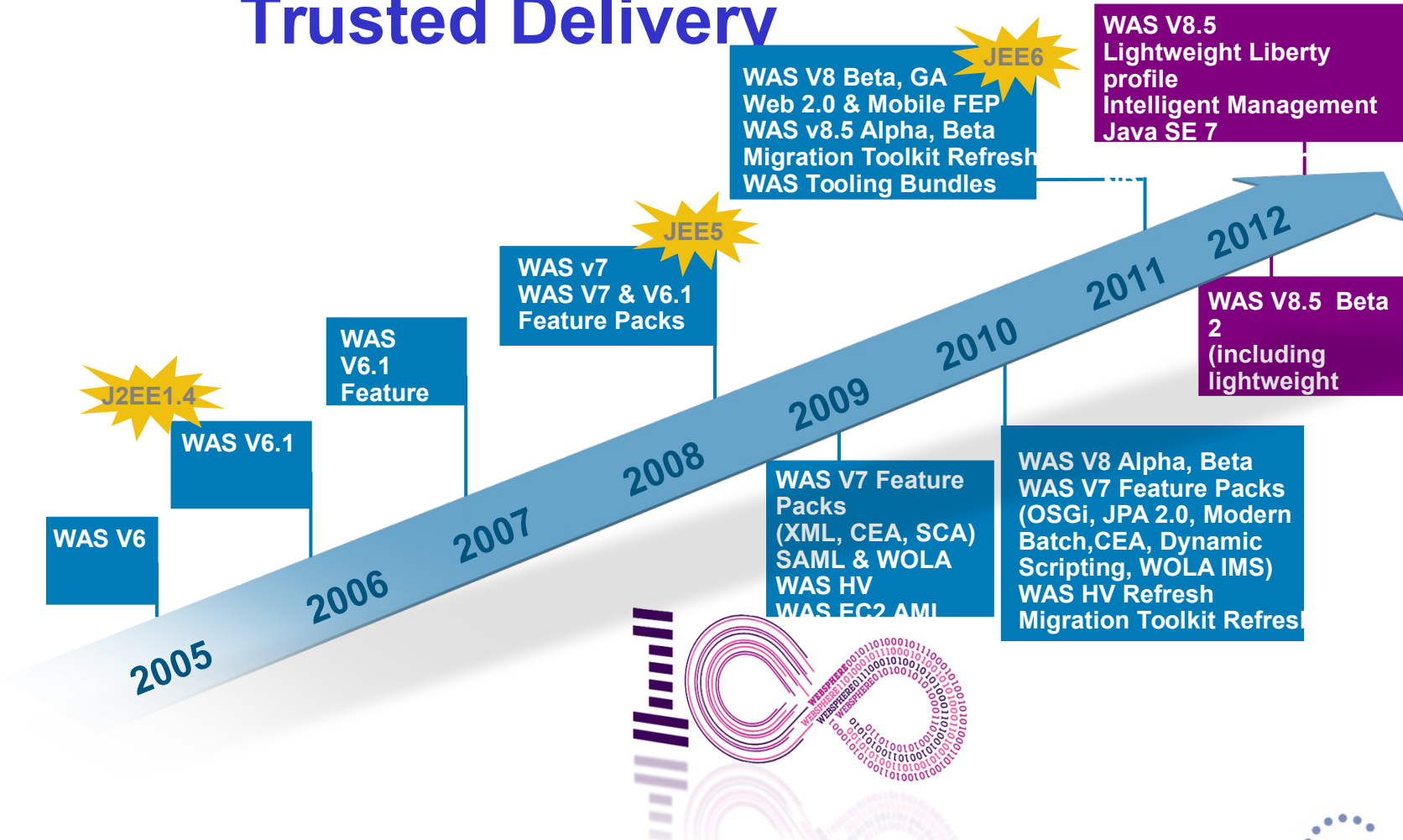


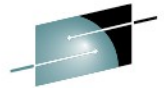
Introduction to the CICS Java Web Container based on WAS Liberty technology

What's Liberty?

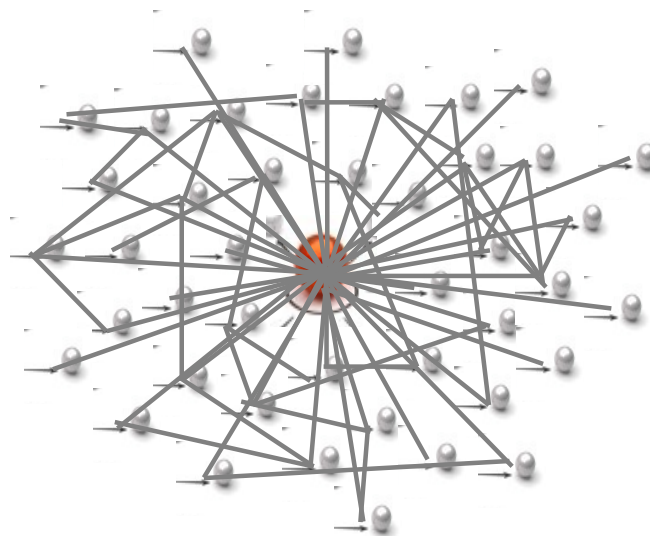


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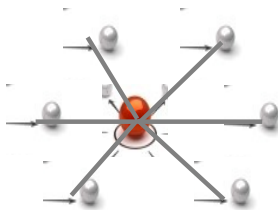




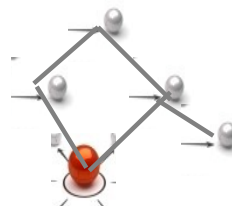
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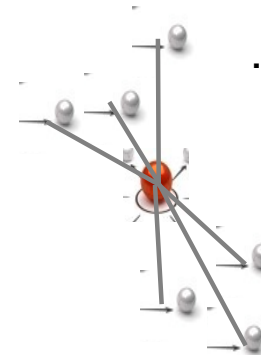
...this is Liberty (WAS)



...so is this



...or even this!



What is the ‘Liberty’ Profile?

A lightweight, dynamic, composable runtime

Lightweight

Server install is only about 55 MB

Extremely fast server starts – typically well under 5 seconds

Dynamic

Available features are user selected and can change at runtime

Restarts are not required for server configuration changes

Composable

Features are implemented as loosely coupled components with lazily resolved optional and mandatory dependencies

The availability of features and components determines what Liberty *can do* and *what’s available to applications*

Configuration by Exception

- This is the entire configuration needed to run Liberty as a Web-container with Servlet support.

```
<server description="new server">  
  <featureManager>  
    <feature>servlet-3.0</feature>  
  </featureManager>  
  
  <application id="BasicWeb" location="BasicWeb.war"  
    name="BasicWeb" type="war"/>  
  
</server>
```

Lightweight Configuration

Features control what's available in the runtime.

```
<server description="tradeLiteServer">
  <featureManager>
    <feature>jsp-2.2</feature>
    <feature>jdbc-4.0</feature>
  </featureManager>
```

Singleton configurations specify properties for runtime services when there's only one instance

```
<logging consoleLogLevel="INFO" />
```

Instance configurations allow multiple instances of resources and applications to be declared

```
<application type="war"
  id="tradelite"
  name="tradelite"
  location="${shared.app.dir}/webcontainer">
```

Includes can be used to implement an extensible configuration model.

```
<include location="jdbc-drivers.xml" />
<include location="${user.home}/custom.xml" optional="true" />
```

References can be used in multiple elements to point to and share a common definition

```
<dataSource id="jdbc/DerbyTradeDataSource"
  jndiName="jdbc/TradeDataSource"
  jdbcDriverRef="DerbyEmbedded">
  <properties databaseName="${shared.resource.dir}/data/tradedb" />
</dataSource>
</server>
```

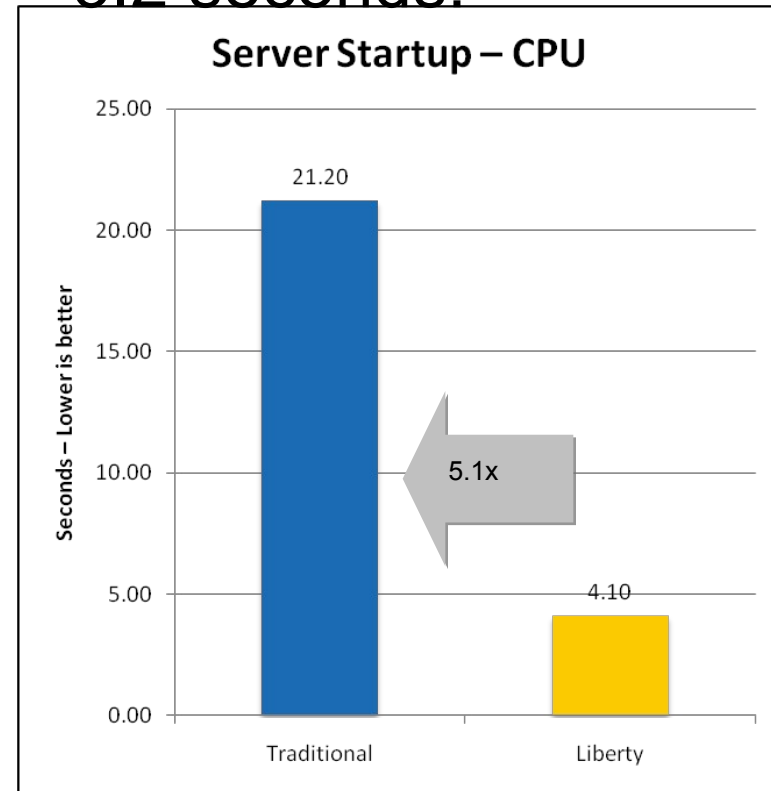
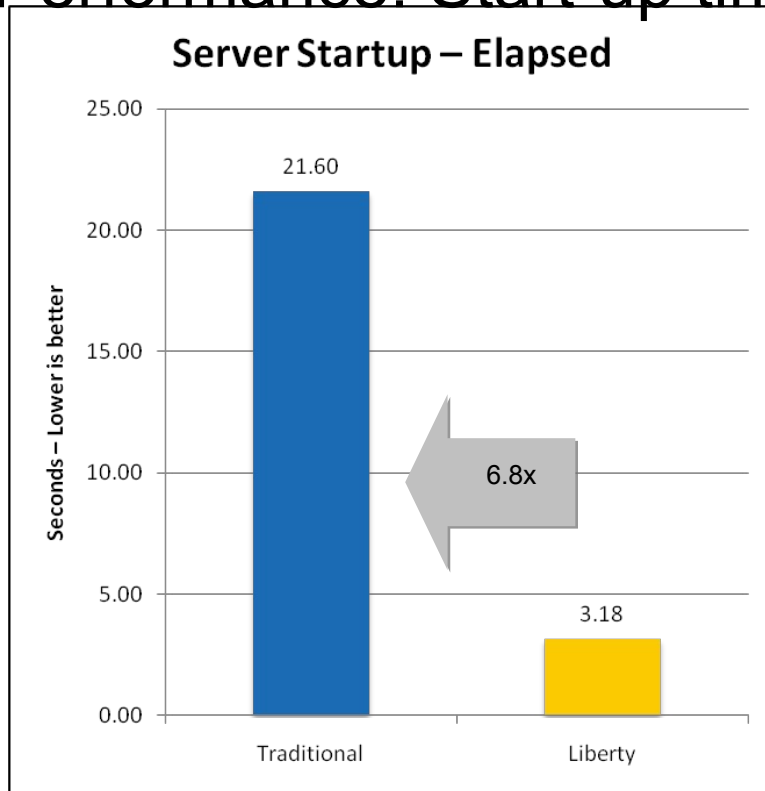
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FAST. LIGHTWEIGHT. LOCAL.

Liberty on z/OS – start-up time

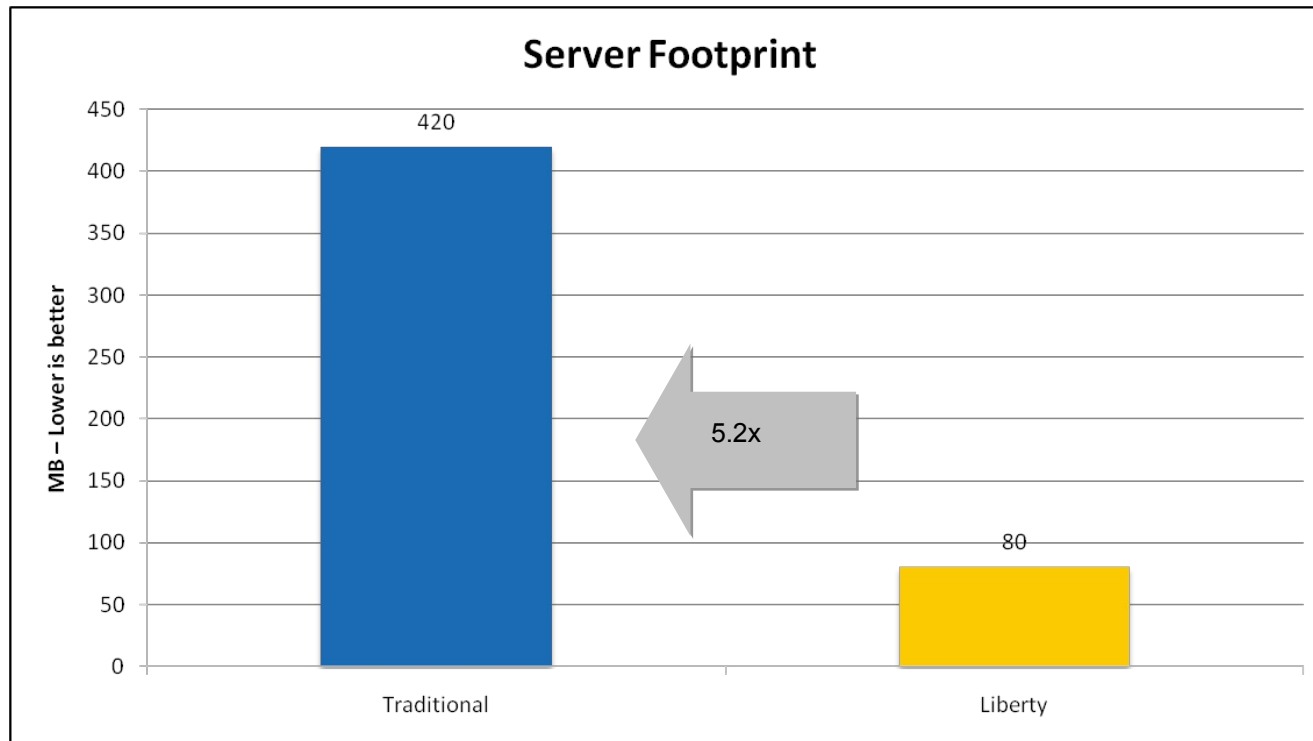
Performance: Start-up time – 3.2 seconds!



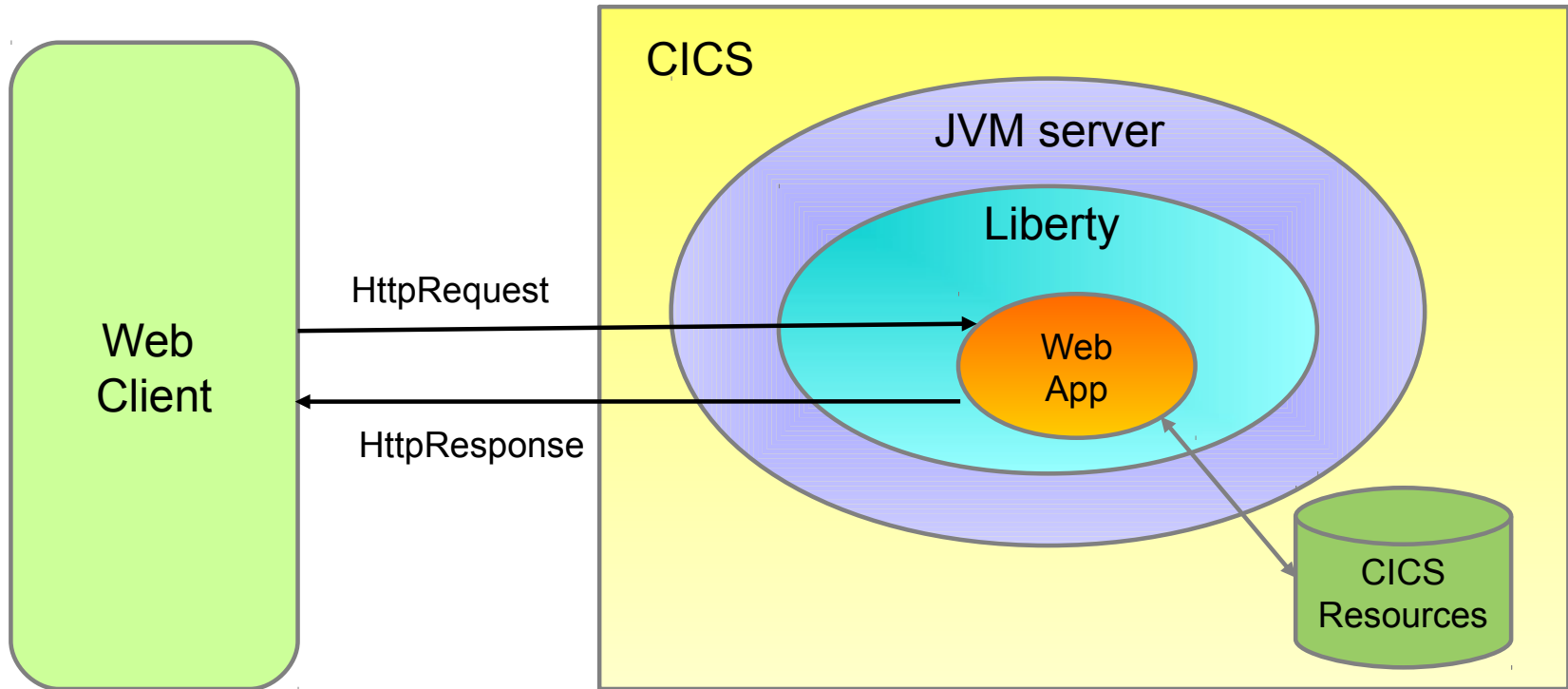
- Liberty – 64bit IBM Java 6.0.1, 64/64MB min/max heap, 60MB shared class cache, TradeLite installed
- Traditional – 64bit IBM Java 6.0.1, 1SR, 128/256MB min/max CR heap, 256/512MB min/max SR heap, 75MB CR shared class cache, 75MB SR shared class cache, no applications installed

Liberty on z/OS – memory footprint

Performance: Memory footprint – 80% reduction



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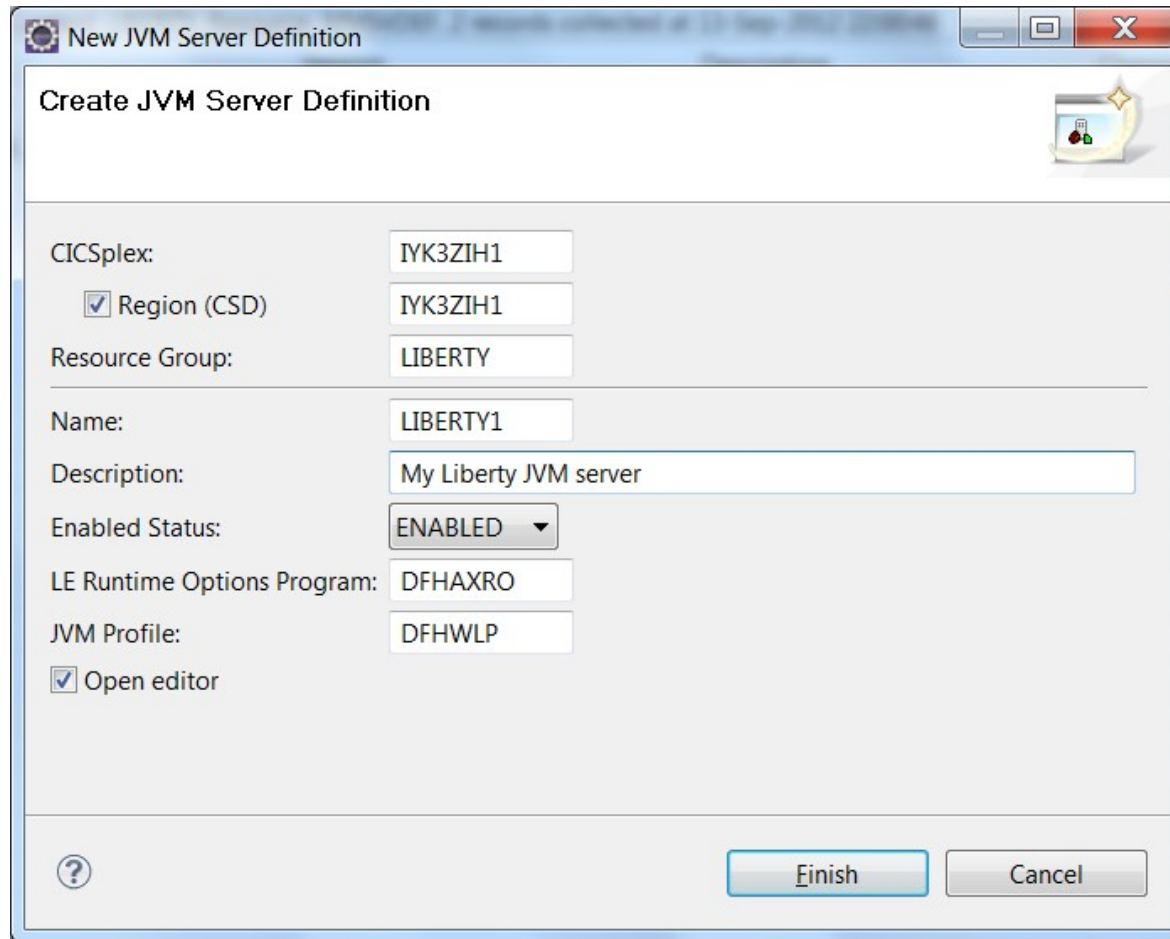
Benefits for CICS



- ✓ Provides “off the shelf” Web-server capabilities (JSPs and Servlets)
- ✓ Potential to re-use even more WebSphere technology in CICS.
- ✓ JSP and Web servlets have direct, local, access to CICS data and resources.
- ✓ Servlets can take advantage of existing CICS OSGi applications to provide a Dynamic Web front end.

Nought to Web-App

Create a JVM server resource in Explorer, CEDA, or CPSM.



Create JVM Server Definition

CICSplex: IYK3ZIH1

Region (CSD) IYK3ZIH1

Resource Group: LIBERTY

Name: LIBERTY1

Description: My Liberty JVM server

Enabled Status: ENABLED

LE Runtime Options Program: DFHAXRO

JVM Profile: DFHWLP

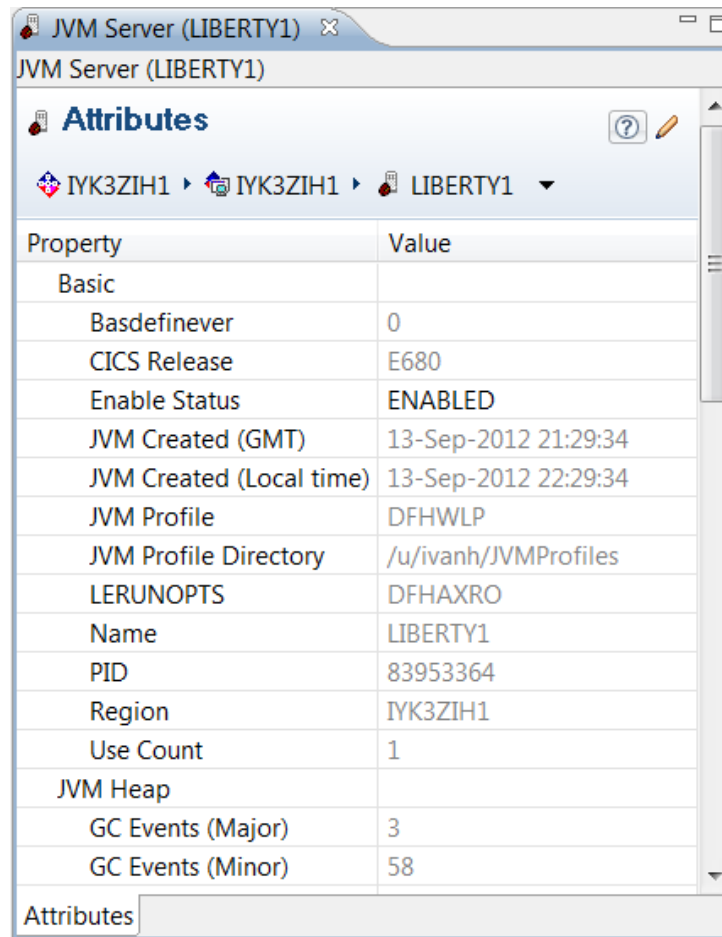
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Configure the JVMProfile

- Copy the sample DFHWLP
- Check JAVA_HOME is correct.
- Uncomment the WLP_SERVER_HTTP_PORT and choose a unique port number.
- Point your JVM server definition at the new JVMProfile

Enable the JVM server



JVM Server (LIBERTY1)

Attributes

IYK3ZIH1 ▸ IYK3ZIH1 ▸ LIBERTY1 ▾

Property	Value
Basic	
Basdefinever	0
CICS Release	E680
Enable Status	ENABLED
JVM Created (GMT)	13-Sep-2012 21:29:34
JVM Created (Local time)	13-Sep-2012 22:29:34
JVM Profile	DFHWLP
JVM Profile Directory	/u/ivanh/JVMProfiles
LERUNOPTS	DFHAXRO
Name	LIBERTY1
PID	83953364
Region	IYK3ZIH1
Use Count	1
JVM Heap	
GC Events (Major)	3
GC Events (Minor)	58

Attributes

Liberty is running! (check the logs).

Server defaultServer created.

Launching defaultServer (wlp-1.0.0.20120428-1251/websphere-kernel_1.0.0) on
IBM J9 VM, version pmz6470sr1-20120302_01 (SR1) (en_US)

[AUDIT] CWWKE0001I: The server defaultServer has been launched.

[AUDIT] CWWKG0028A: Processing included configuration resource:
file:/u/ivanh/IYK3ZIH1/LIBERTY1/wlp/usr/servers/defaultServer/installedApp
s.xml

[AUDIT] CWWKG0028A: Processing included configuration resource:
file:/u/ivanh/IYK3ZIH1/LIBERTY1/wlp/usr/servers/defaultServer/cicsSecurity
.xml

[AUDIT] CWWKZ0058I: Monitoring dropins for applications.

[AUDIT] CWWKF0011I: The server defaultServer is ready to run a smarter
planet.

Foundation is Eclipse

Install Eclipse 4.2.2 (Juno) preferably JEE version, but Classic will suffice.

- Windows
- Linux

<http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/packages/eclipse-ide-java-ee-developers/junosr2>

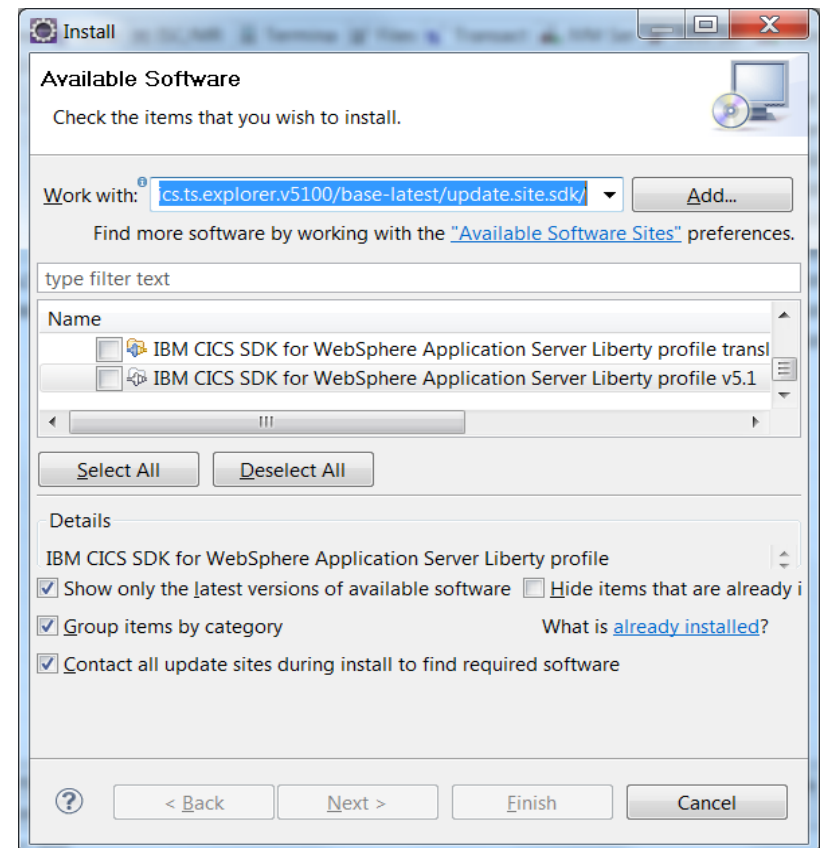


Install IBM CICS SDK for WebSphere Application Server Liberty profile v5.1

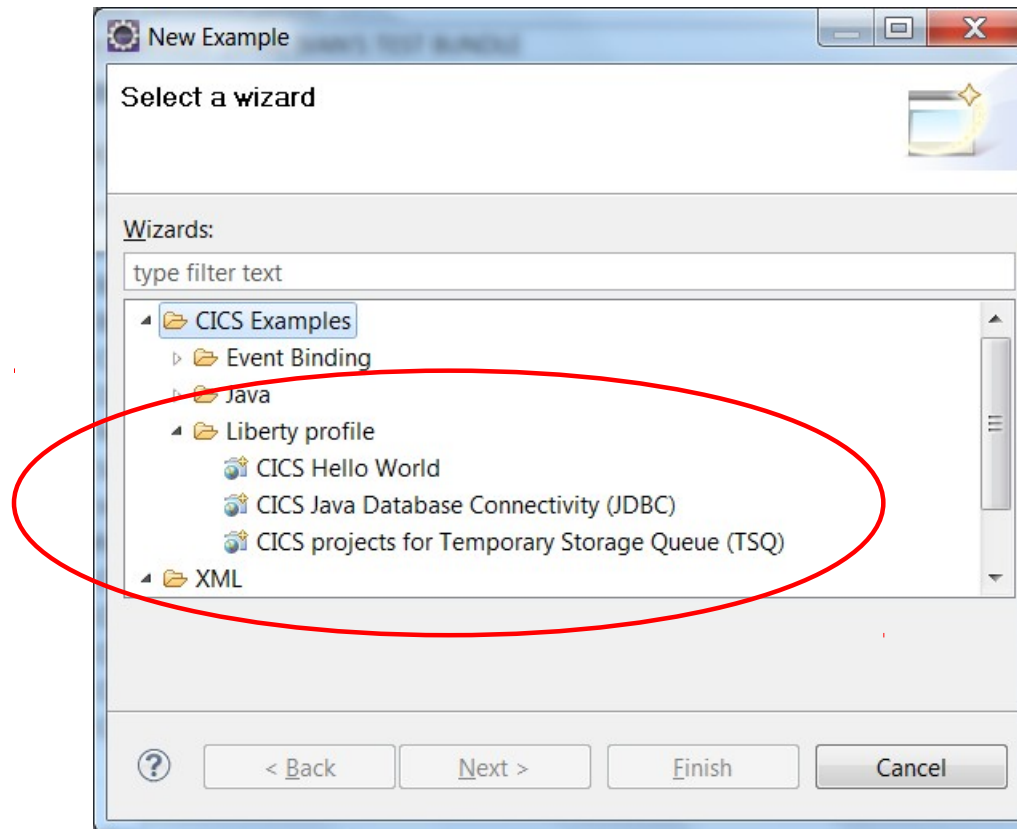
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Add CICS SDK to Eclipse.

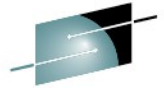
- Via Installation Manager (IM)
- Via Eclipse “Help->Add New Software” (P2)
- Direct download



Create a Dynamic Web Project, or choose one of the Examples



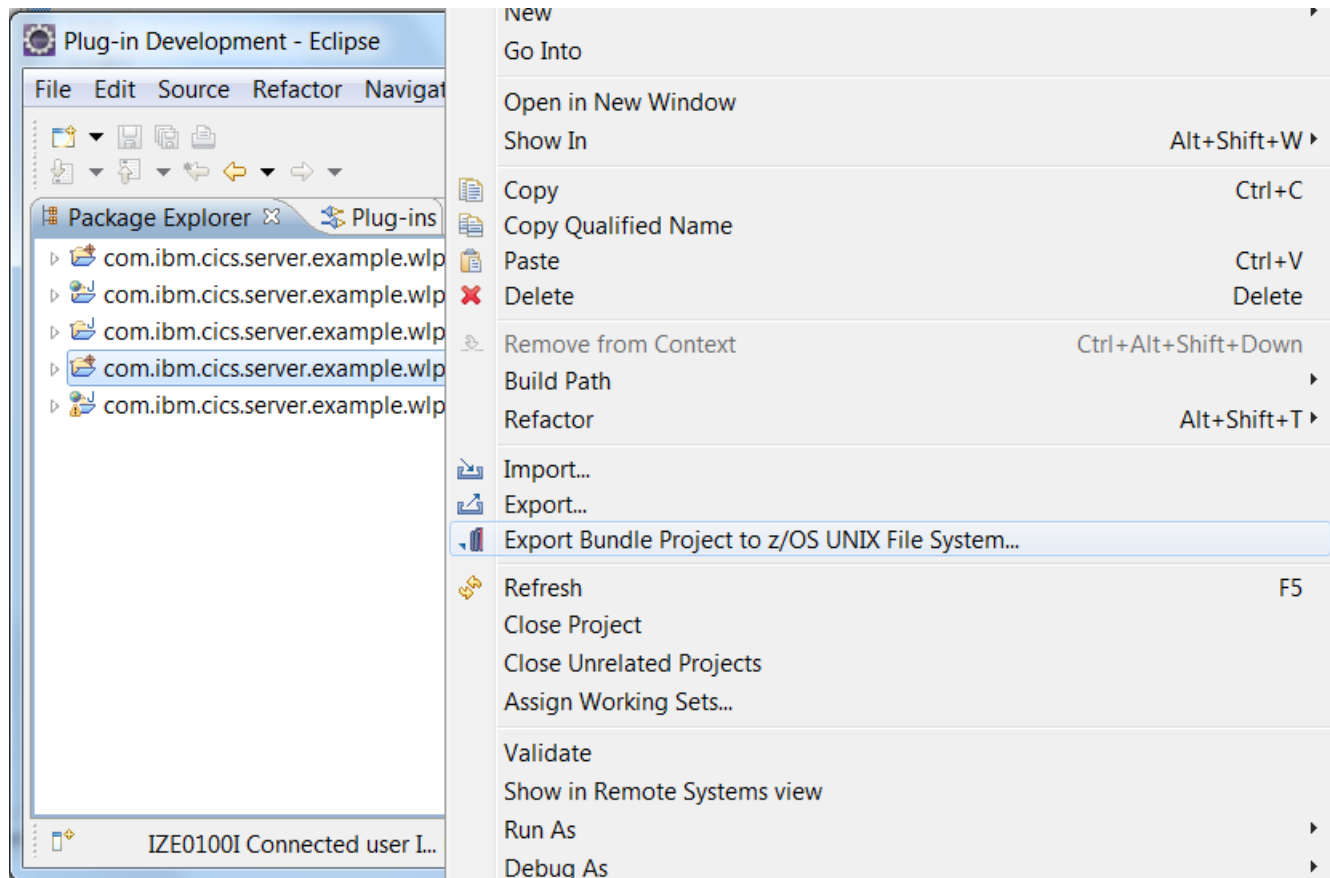
JSP/Servlets plus JCICS/JDBC/Cobol



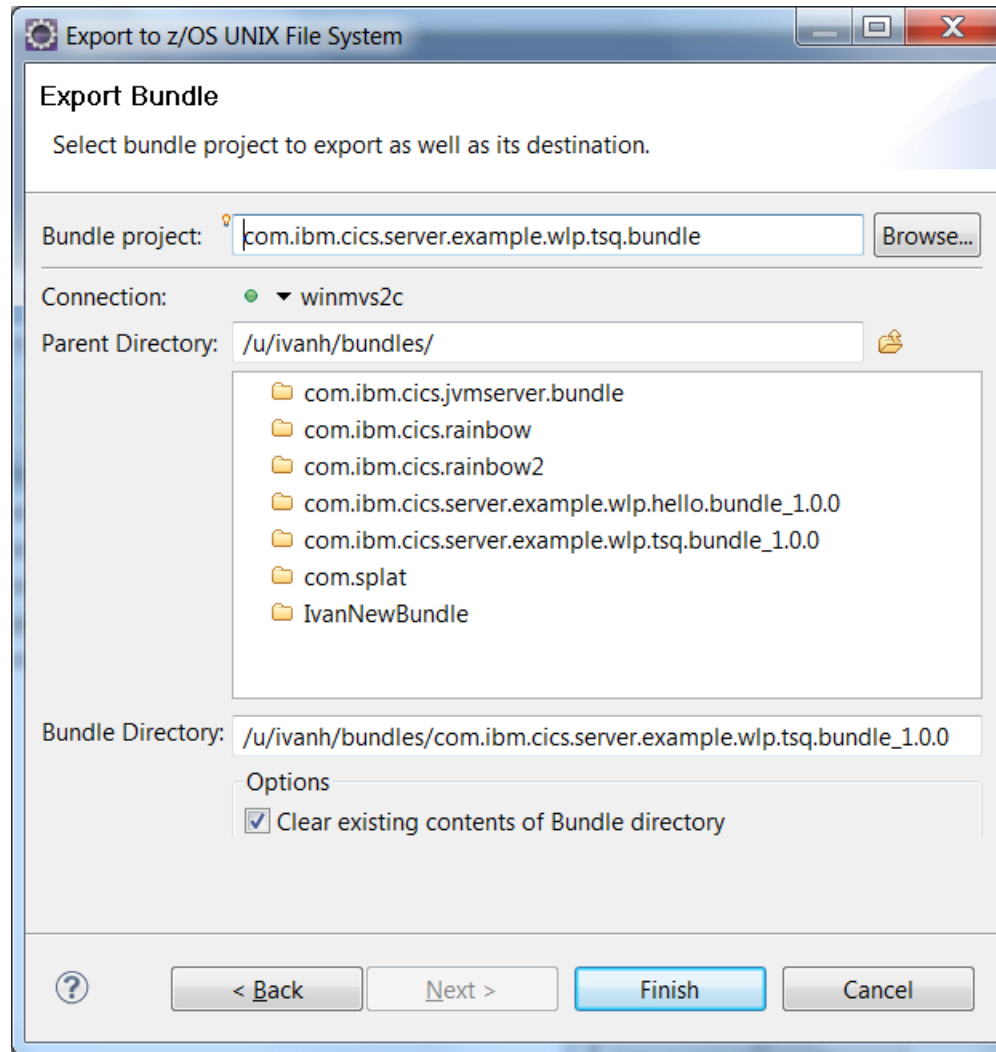
```
22  */
23  public TsqInfo() {
24      super();
25      // TODO Auto-generated constructor stub
26  }
27
28  /**
29   * @see HttpServlet#doGet(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response)
30
31   protected void doGet(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) throws ServletException, IOException {
32
33      // obtain the input values from the request
34      String tsq = request.getParameter("tsq");
35
36      System.out.println("Tsq INFO is: " + tsq);
37
38
39      TSQ tsqQ = new TSQ();
40      tsqQ.setName(tsq);
41
42      int length = 0;
43      try{
44          length = tsqQ.readItem(1, new ItemHolder());
45      } catch(Exception e){
46          e.printStackTrace();
47      }
48
49      String name = "<name>" + tsqQ.getName() + "</name>";
50      String type = "<type>" + tsqQ.getType().toString() + "</type>";
51      //String sysID = sysID + tsqQ.getSysId() + tsqQ.getSysId();
52      String lenStr = "<length>" + length + "</length>";
53
54      //System.out.println("Tsq SYSID is: " + tsqQ.getSysId());
55
56
57      response.getOutputStream().write("<info>".getBytes());
58
59      response.getOutputStream().write(name.getBytes());
60      response.getOutputStream().write(type.getBytes());
61      //response.getOutputStream().write(sysID.getBytes());
62      response.getOutputStream().write(lenStr.getBytes());
63  }
```

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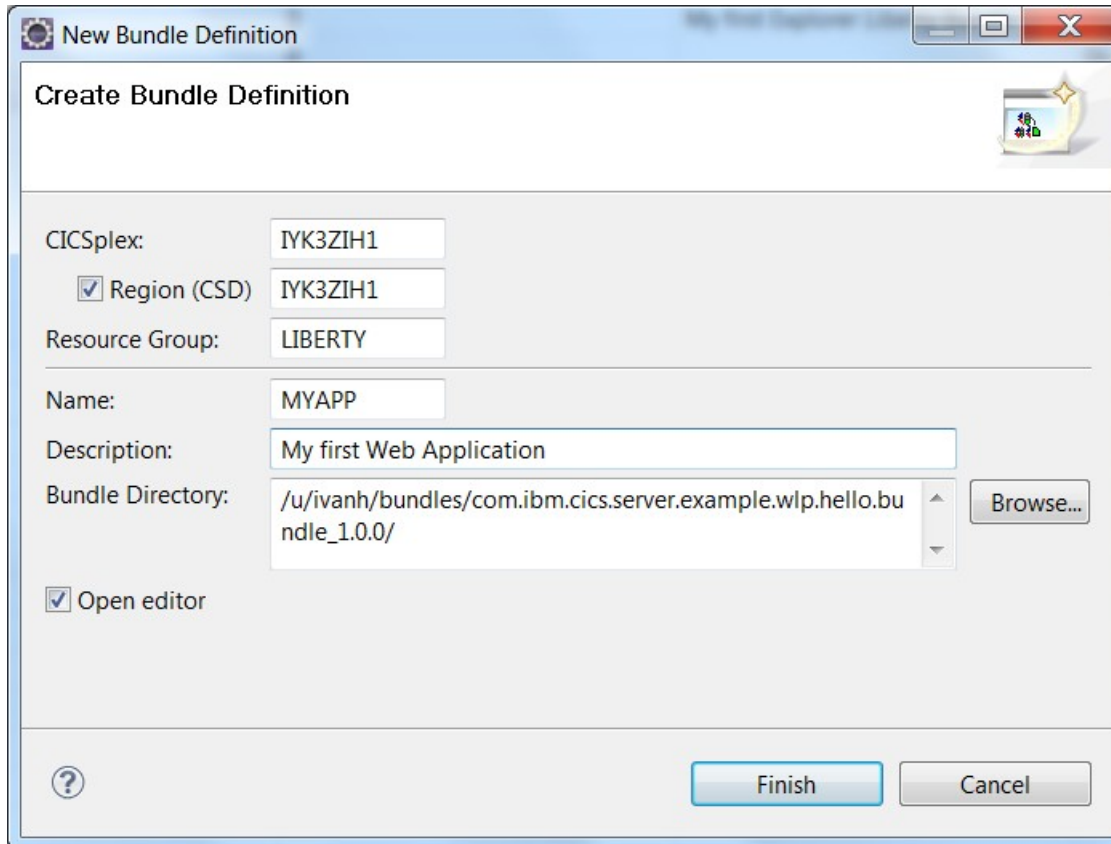
Export the CICS bundle project



Pick a zFS location for the CICS bundle project



Create a CICS bundle definition to control the life-cycle of the Application



New Bundle Definition

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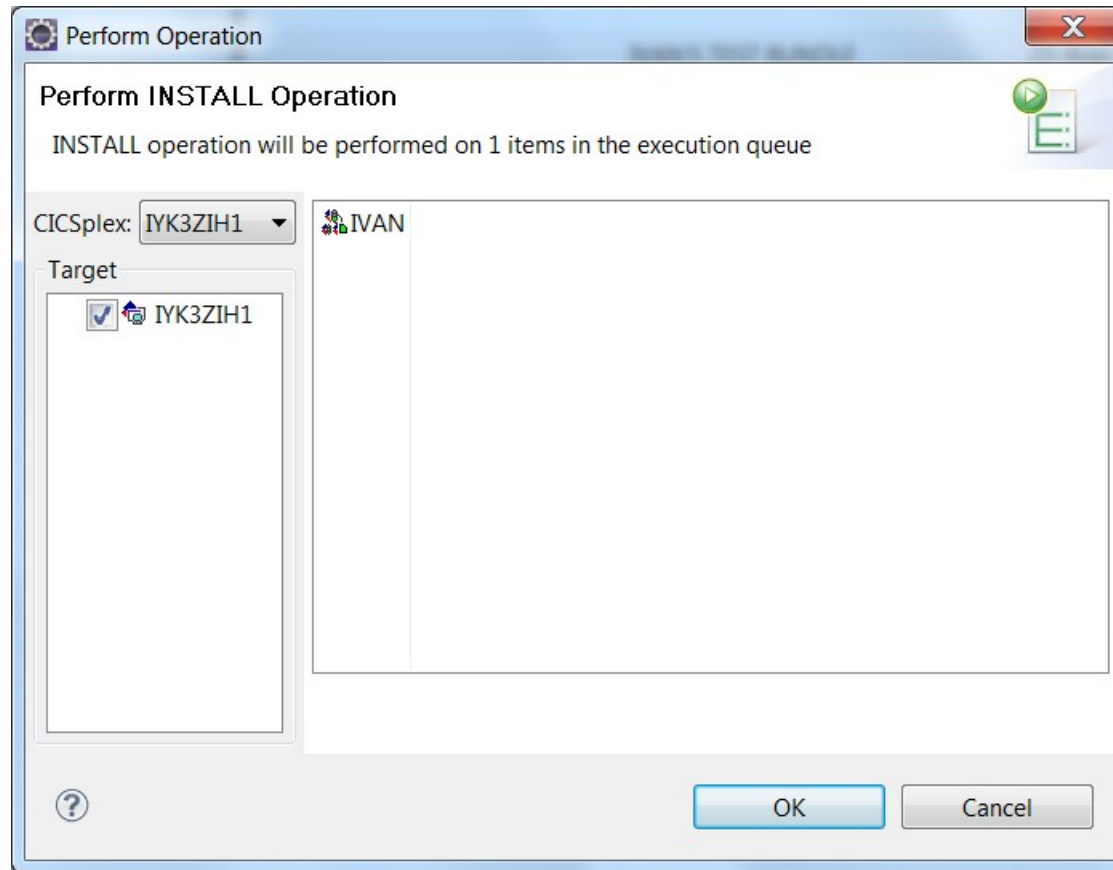
Name: MYAPP

Description: My first Web Application

Bundle Directory: /u/ivanh/bundles/com.ibm.cics.server.example.wlp.hello.bundle_1.0.0/

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Install the CICS bundle definition



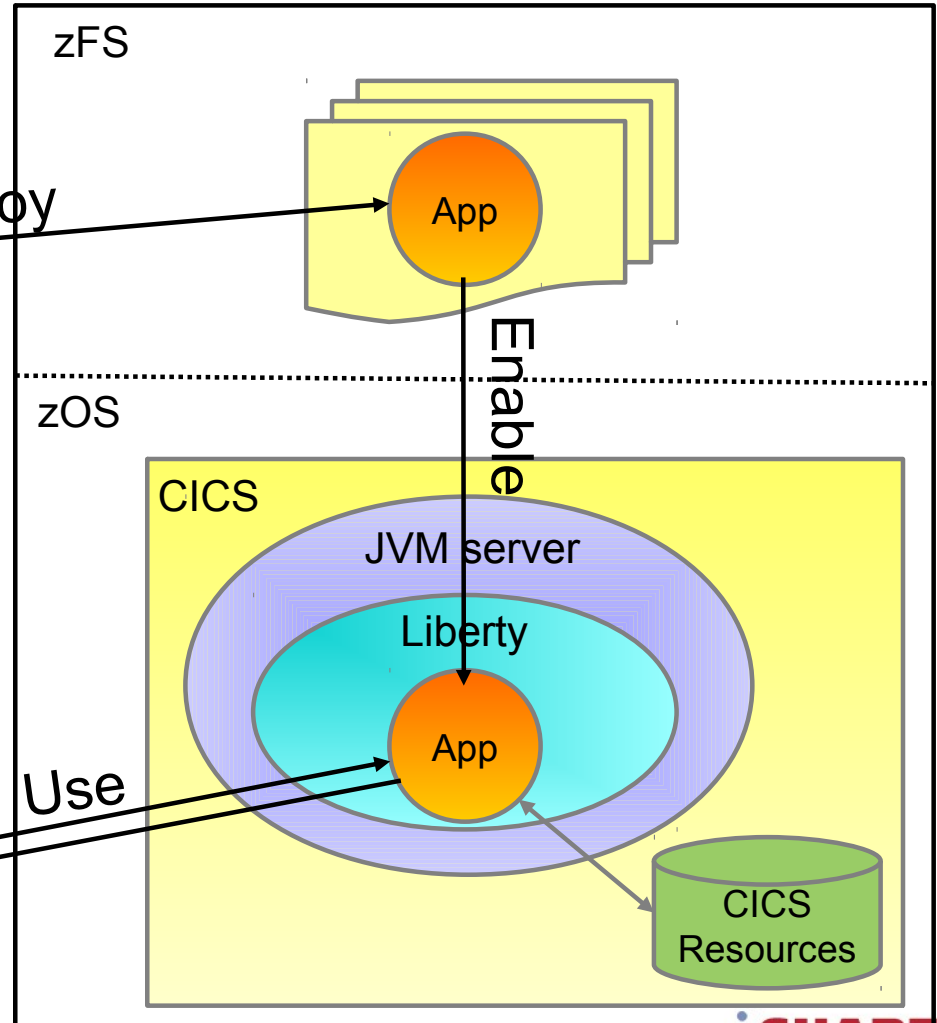
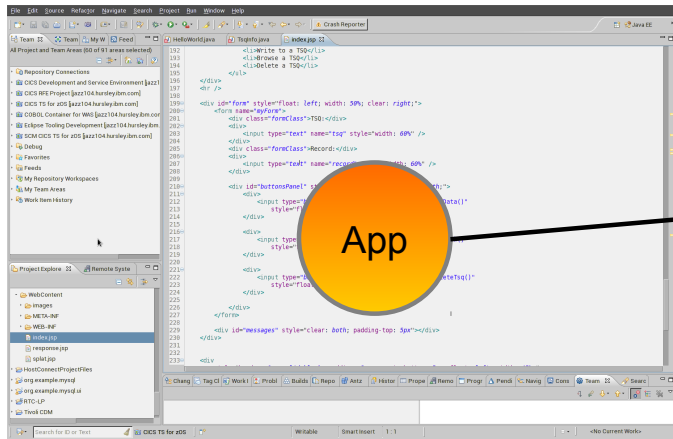
Run the application!

[AUDIT] CWWKT0016I: Web application available (default_host):
<http://winmvs2c.hursley.ibm.com:27245/com.ibm.cics.server.example.wlp.tsq.web/>



Putting it all together

Eclipse with Liberty Tools



The Technology

Principles

As little customization as we can get away with.

Do things the Liberty way first, and if appropriate, only the Liberty way.

Ensure Server.xml can be configured dynamically by the user.

Support Liberty monitored drop-ins directory for applications.

Provide CICS enhancements only where absolutely necessary (Security, Tasks, JDBC, MQ)

Provide End-to-end Development and Deployment experience to enable non-mainframe professionals to develop for CICS.

Fully compatible with existing CICS OSGi Java applications running within the same JVM server.

Specifications and Standards



Java 7 (64-bit)

Equinox 3.7 as the OSGi framework.

Implements the OSGi R4.3 specification

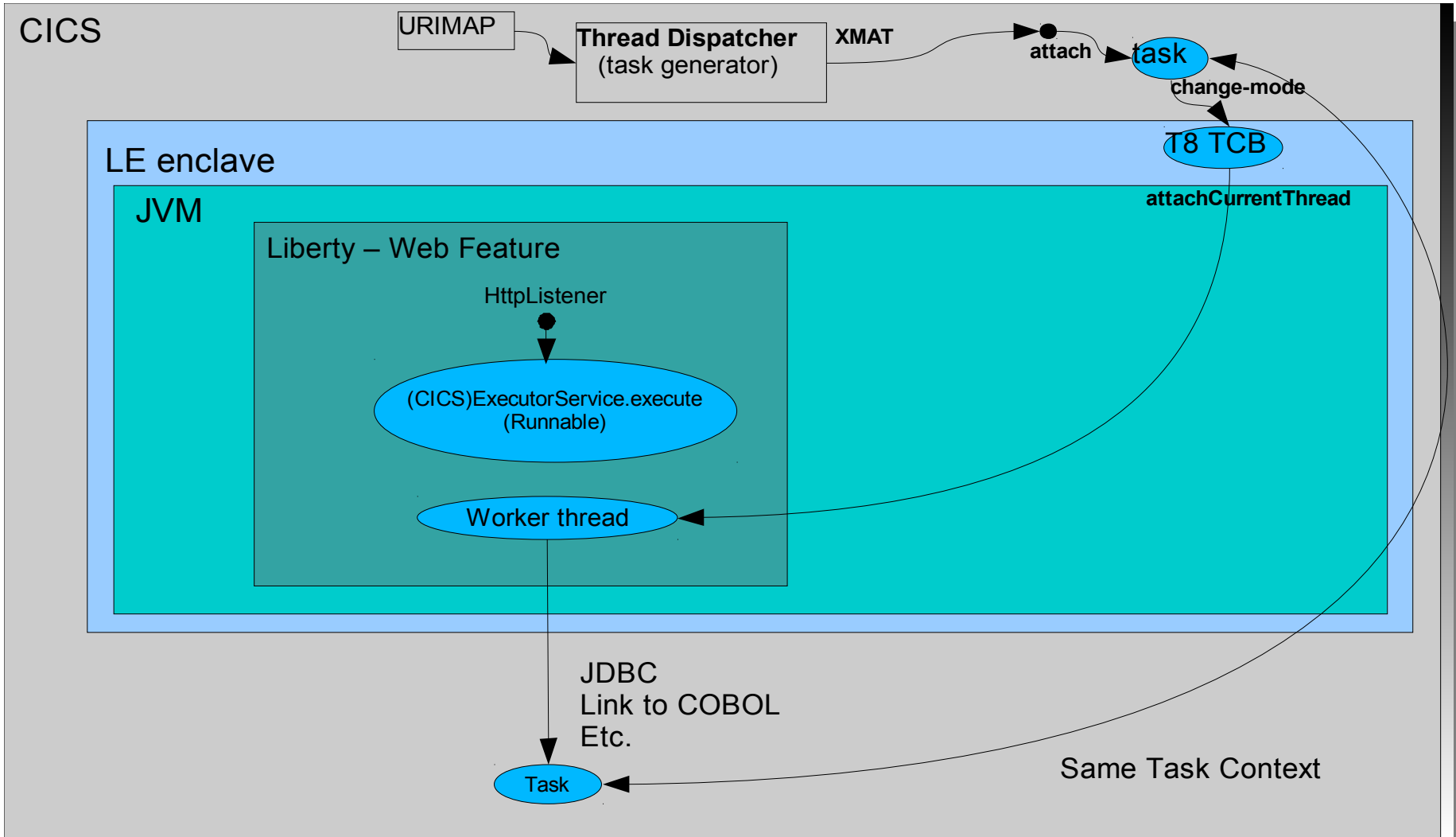
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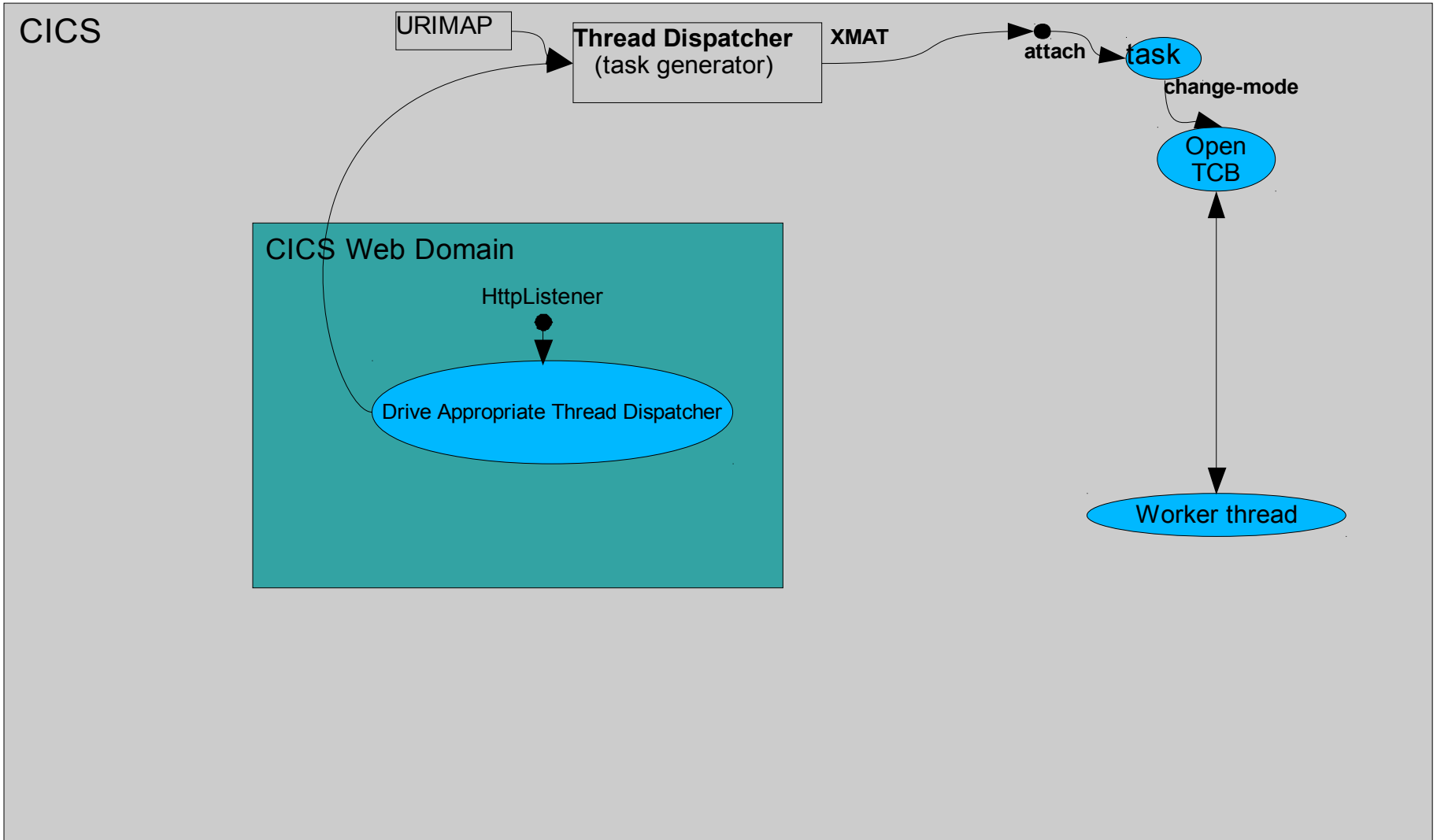
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Hybrid Threads



'Standard' CICS Listener Pattern

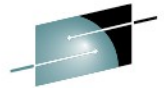


JCICS – ExecutorService

- Thread.start equivalent (from Java concurrency package)
- A standard Java pattern for dispatching runnable code to threads.
- CICS provides “CICSExecutorService” - to create CICS capable threads.
- CICSExecutorService registered with OSGi registry, can be obtained and used by 'vendor' products and applications.
- A convenience method provided called “CICSExecutorService.runAsCICS()”
- Liberty requests an ExecutorService from the OSGi service registry. When running in CICS JVM server, it is given the CICSExecutorService which produces JCICS enabled threads for Liberty to run servlets on.

Benefits of Hybrid Threads

- Each 'Invocation' (think Servlet Request) on a Hybrid Thread is also a CICS Transaction (Has a Tranid, Task Context etc).
- This gives you
 - A single common Transaction (UOW) and CICS Managed JDBC
 - Which can cross between Java and Cobol
 - Full JCICS API Access
 - In particular, LINK and access to VSAM
 - WLM (CICS WLM, Performance Classes etc).
 - Monitoring / Statistics
 - CICS Transaction Tracking / Association Data



CICS Security with Liberty



Servlets run under default transaction CJSAA with CICS

SEC=YES turns Security ON.

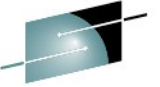
Basic-auth only (http or https) – Client cert not yet supported.

Client Application: Web.xml needs `<security_constraint>` to run with Security

Liberty: Server.xml will be updated by CICS automatically

- `<application-bnd>`

Role based Security not supported.

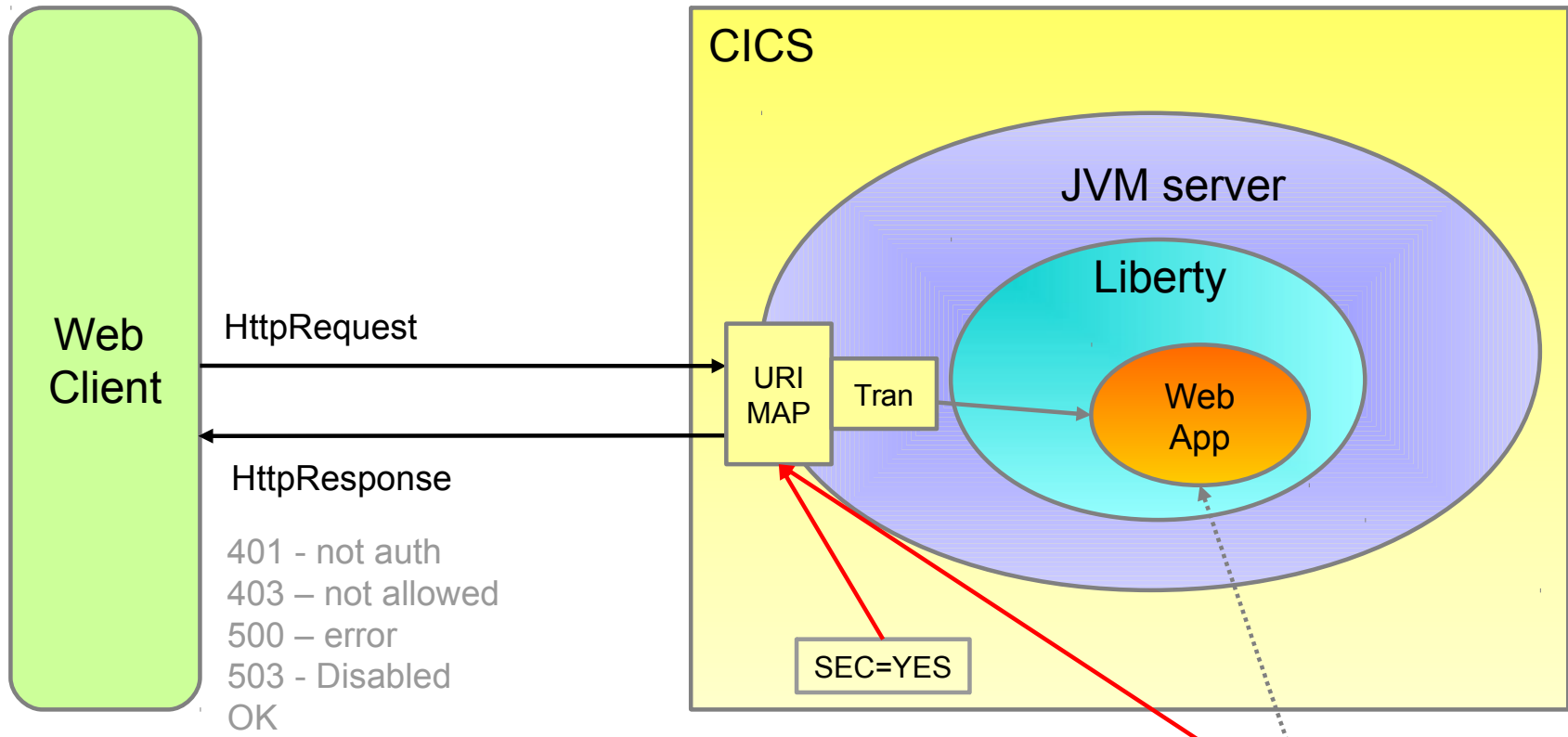


URIMAP enhancements for Liberty



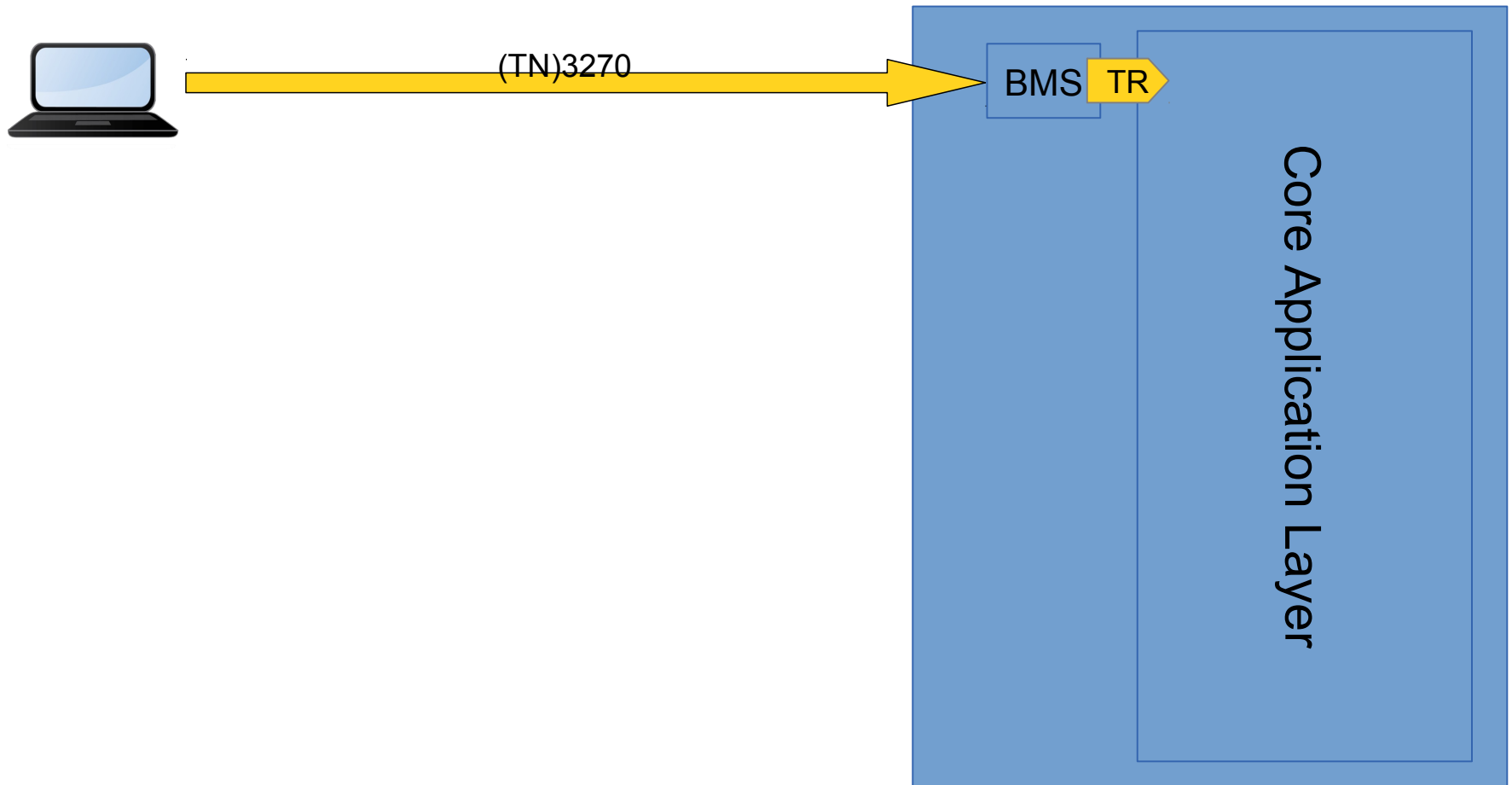
- URIMAP provides CICS authorisation via Transaction Security

- URIMAP allows context switch to a 'user' transaction
 - Transaction Security (URL mapped to transaction)
 - monitoring and audit purposes.
 - “Transaction class” support

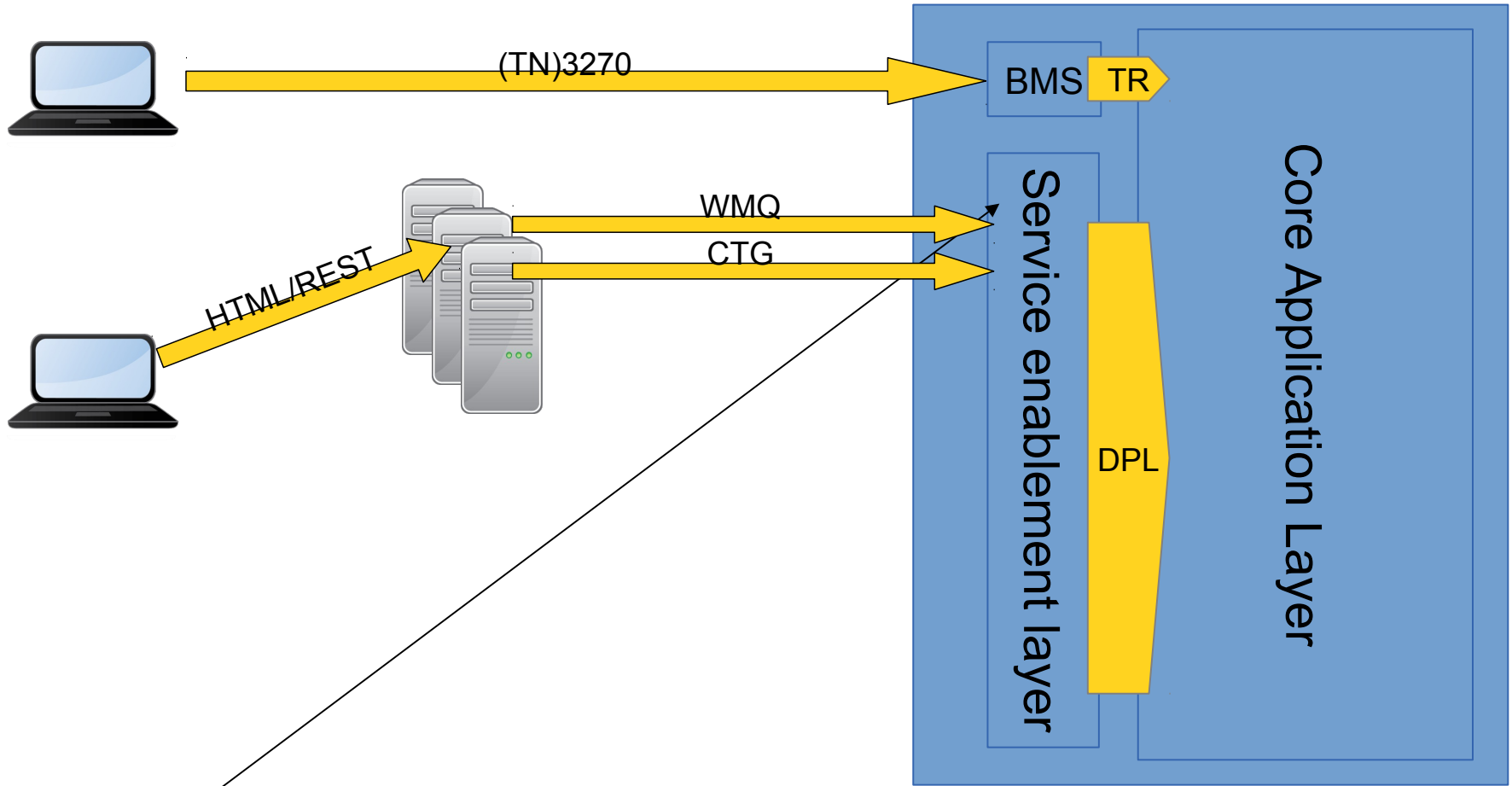


Web.xml
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Adding the Web container to the Connectivity landscape

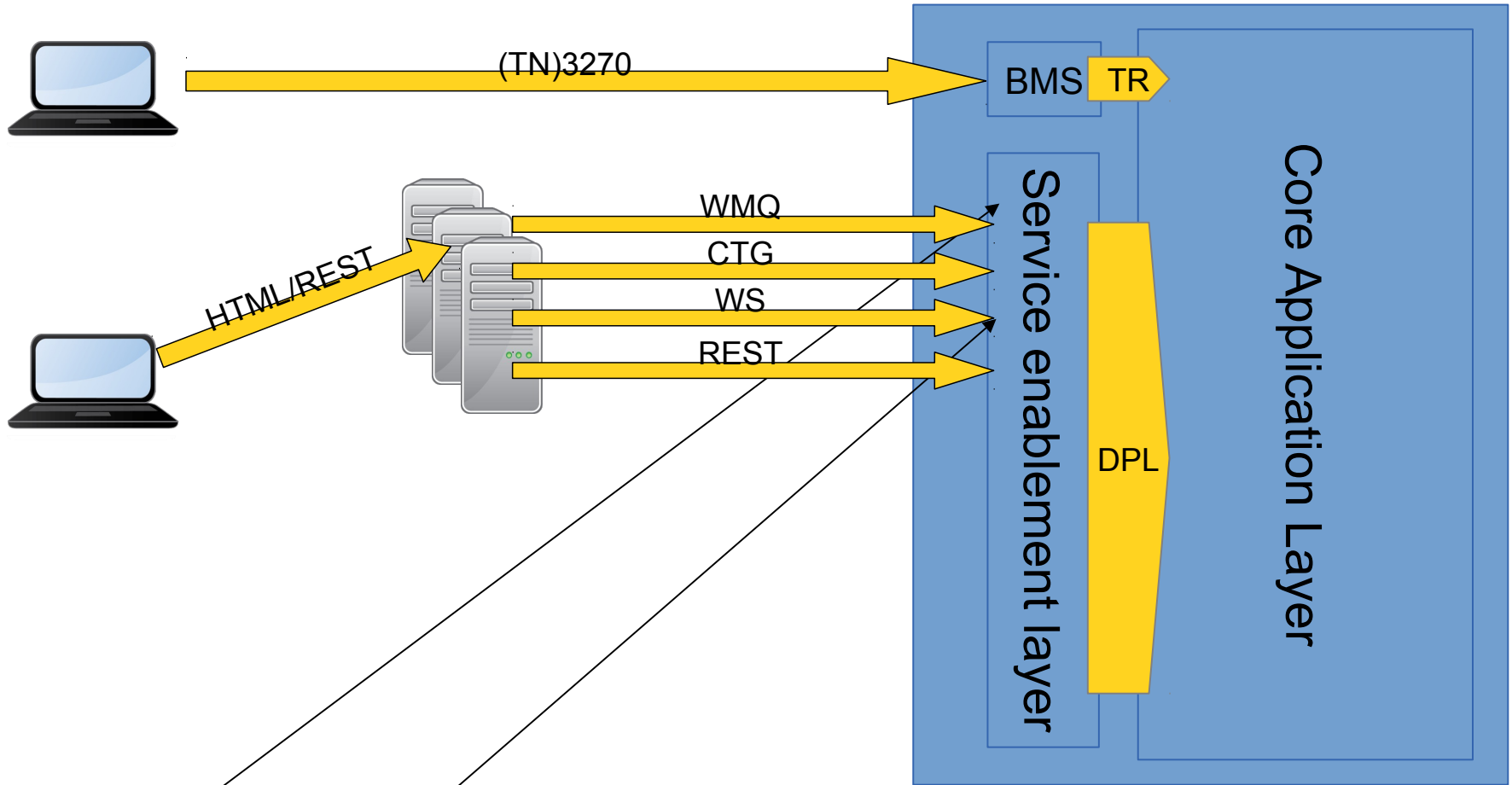


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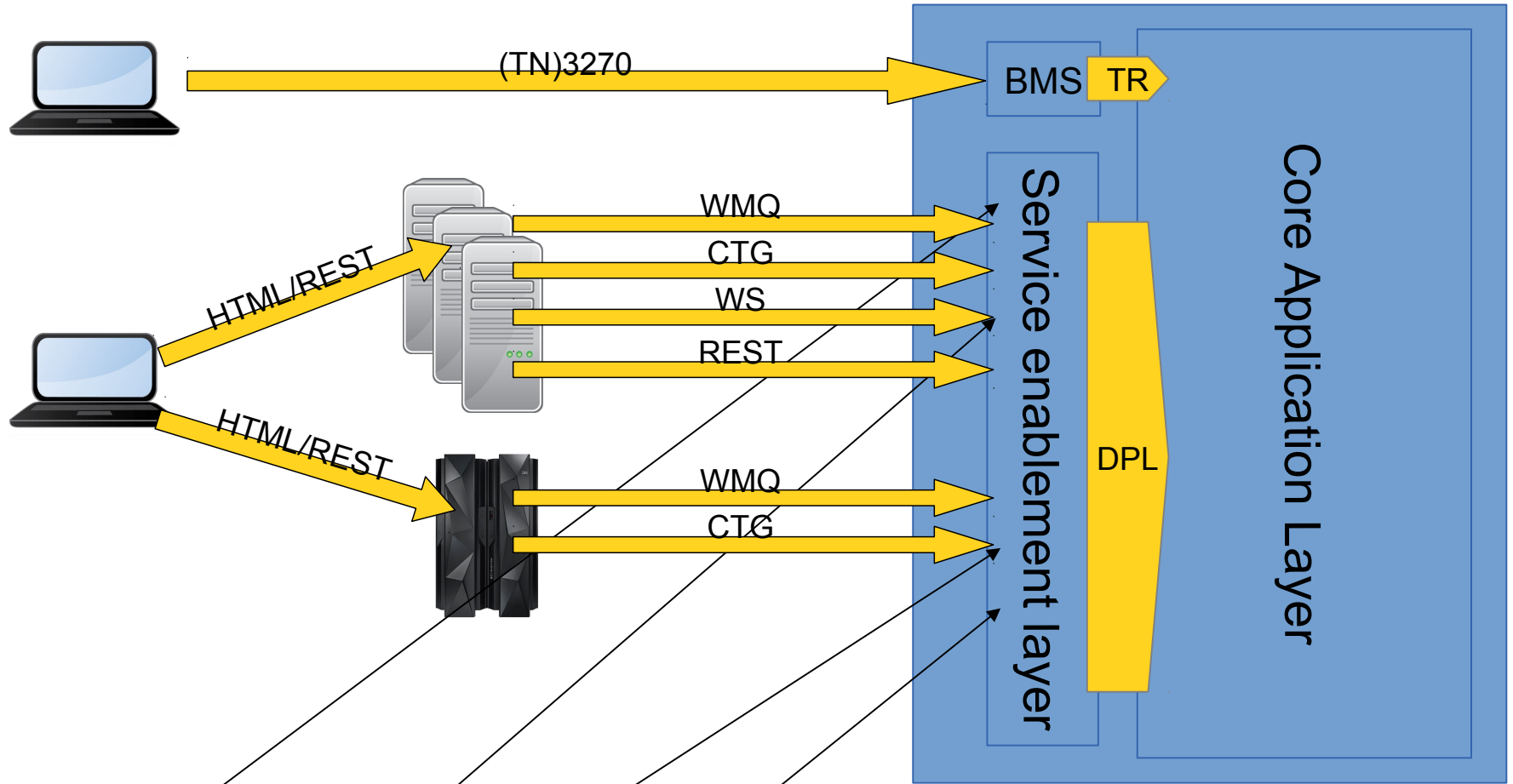


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Native WS
& Axis2

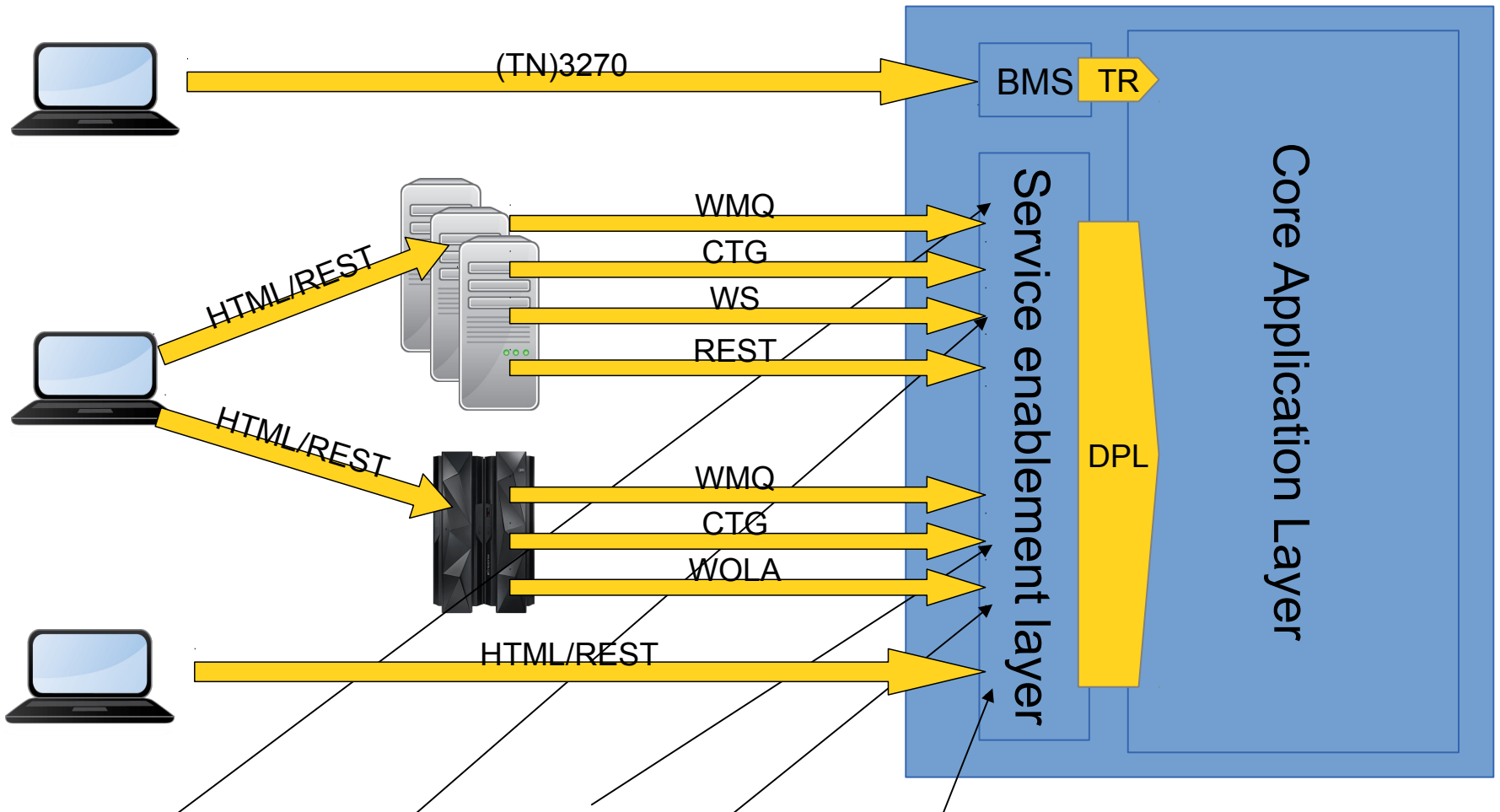
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Web Container
(built on Liberty)

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Part 4 – Summary and Future

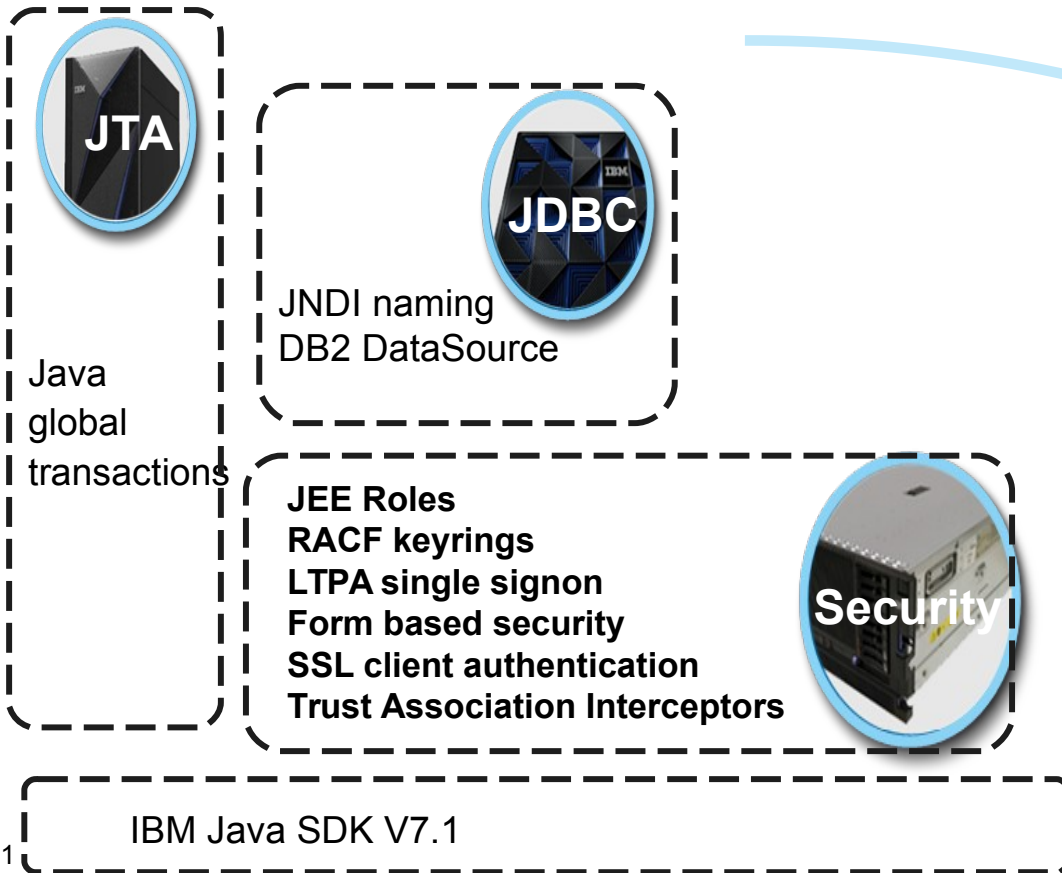
Liberty Features (as of WAS 8.5.0)

- Bean validation
- Blueprint
- Java Database Connectivity (JDBC)
- Java Management Extensions (JMX)
- Java Persistence API (JPA)
- JavaServer Faces (JSF)
- JavaServer Pages (JSP)
- JAX-RS
- Secure Sockets Layer (SSL)
- Security, supported by either the basic user registry or a Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) user registry
- Servlet
- Web application bundle (WAB)
- Web security
- zOS Security
- zOS Transactions

Liberty Features (for CICS TS V5.1 GA)

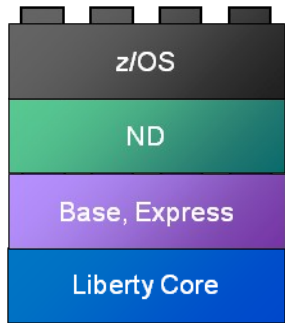
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CICS TS V5.2 beta – Liberty runtime extensions

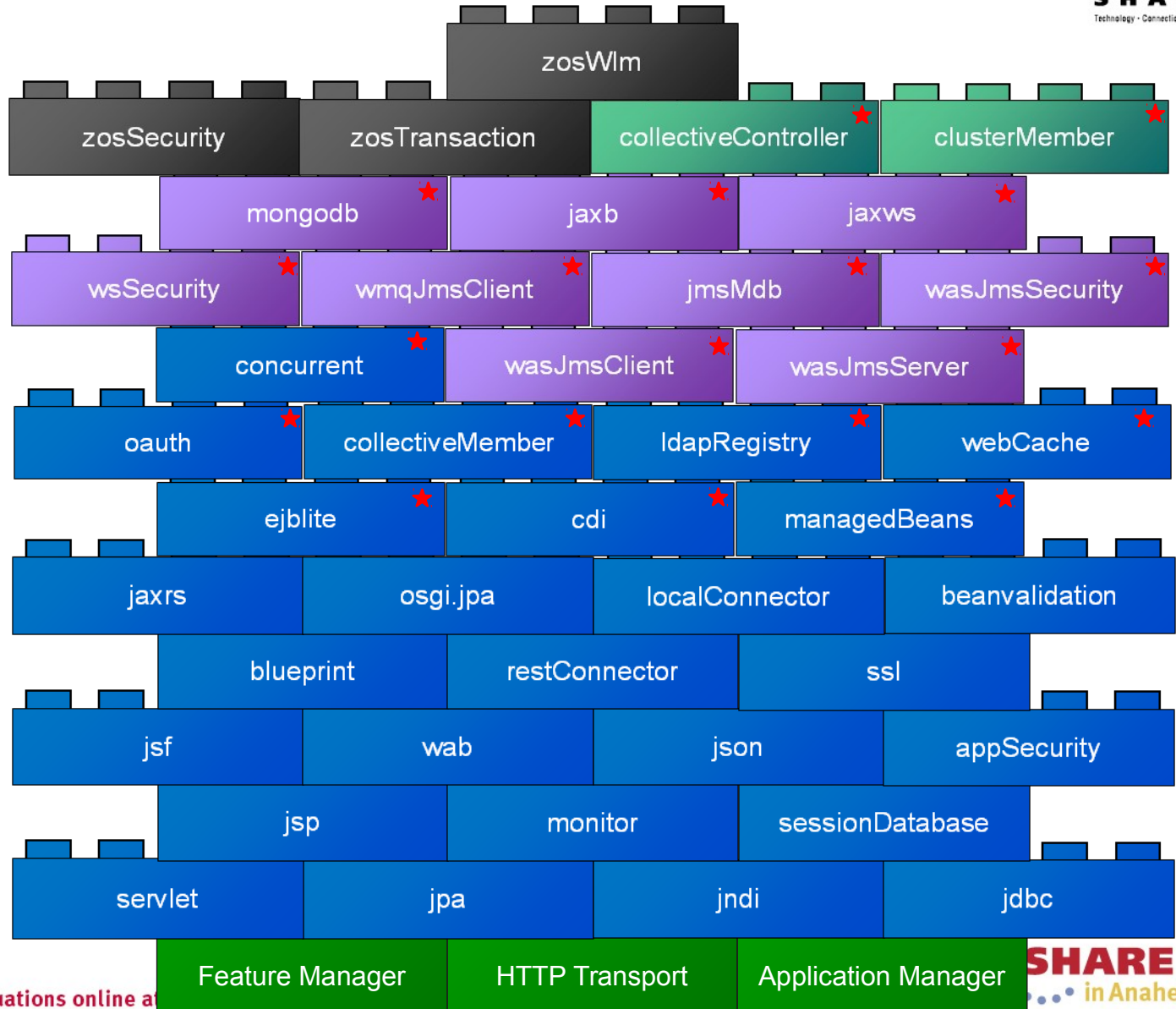


Liberty 8.5.5
Integrated and optimized for CICS
Web workloads

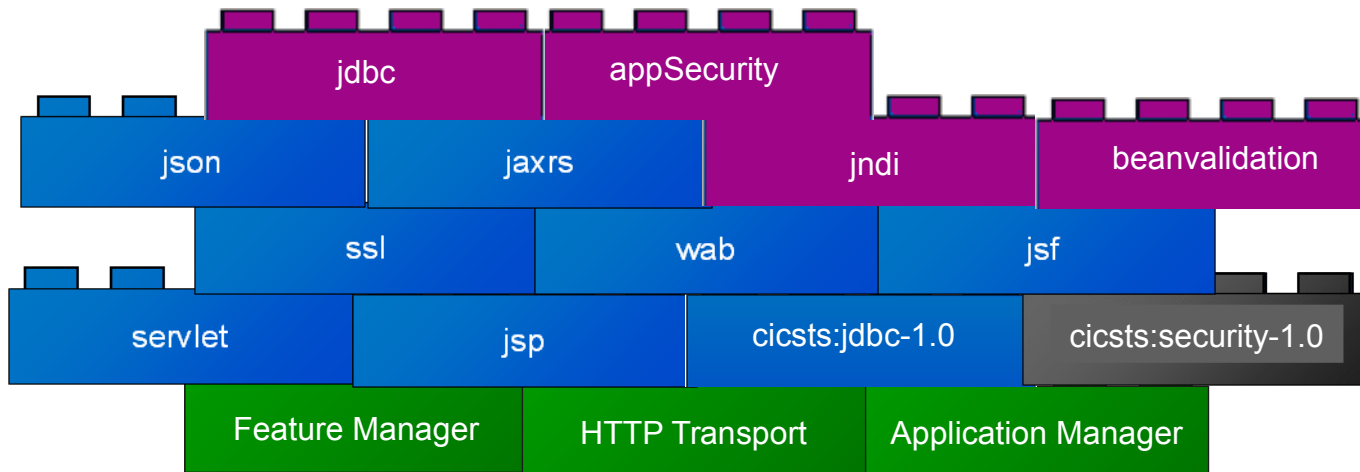
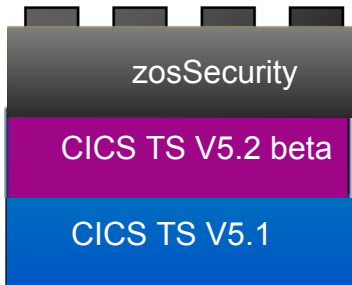
WAS/Liberty feature set



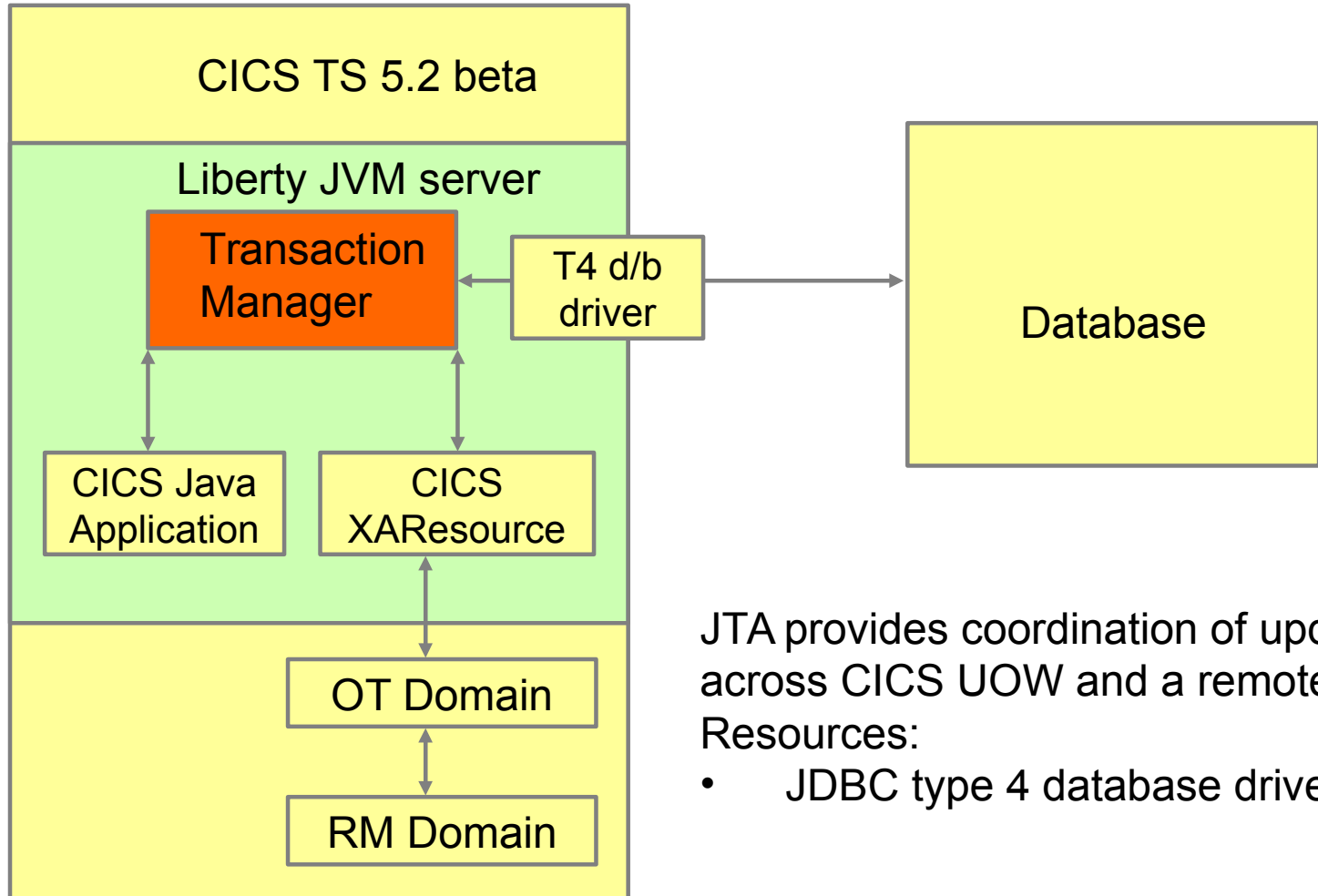
 New in Liberty 8.5.5



CICS/Liberty feature set - CICS TS V5.2 Open Beta



Java Transaction API (JTA)



JTA provides coordination of updates across CICS UOW and a remote XA Resources:

- JDBC type 4 database driver

JTA – UserTransaction

```
InitialContext ctx = new InitialContext();
UserTransaction tran =
    (UserTransaction) ctx.lookup("java:comp/UserTransaction");

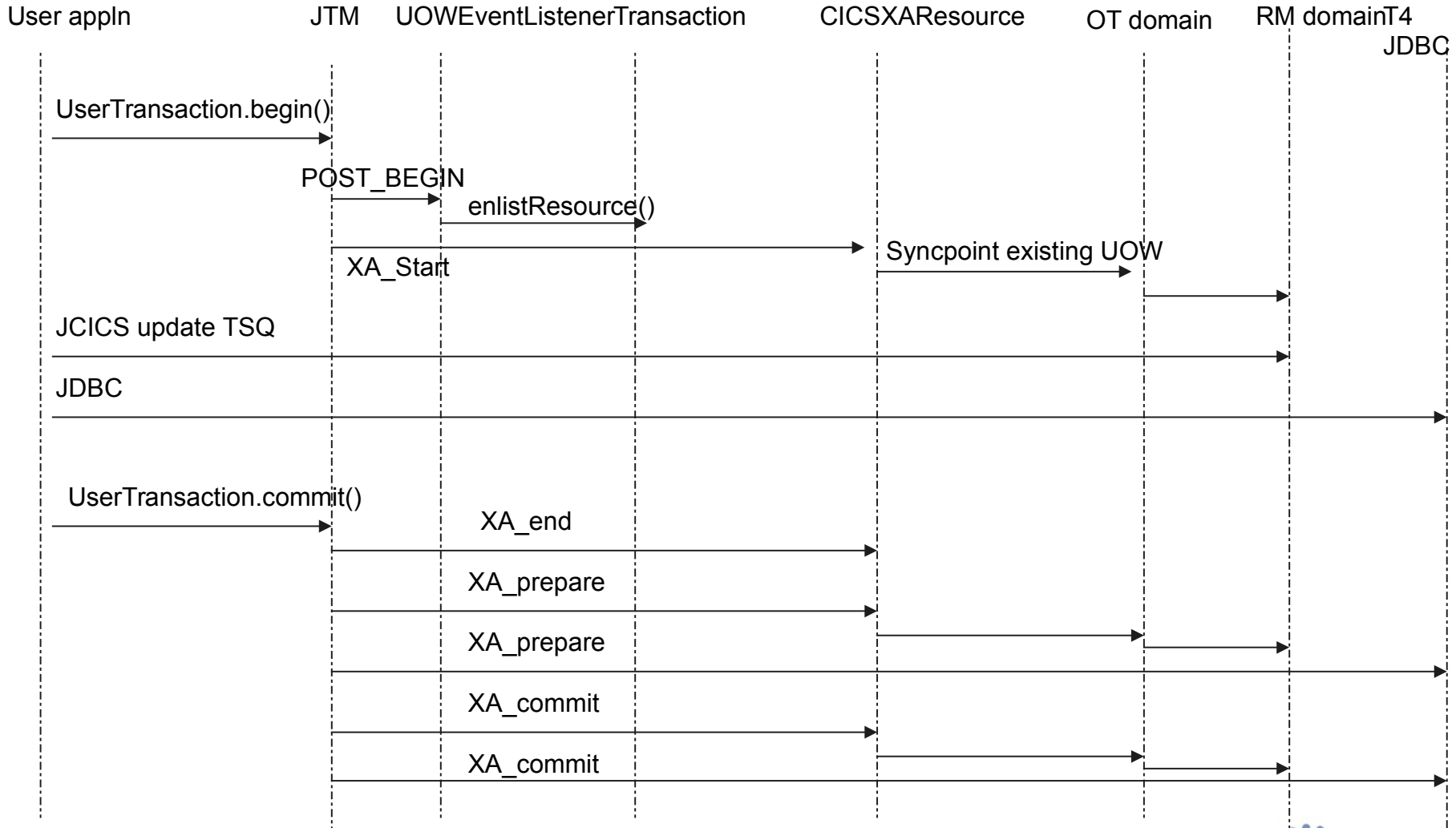
DataSource ds = (DataSource) ctx.lookup("jdbc/SomeDB");
Connection con = ds.getConnection();

// Start the User Transaction
tran.begin();

// Perform updates to CICS resources via JCICS API
// Access DataSource

if (allOk) {
    // Commit updates on both systems
    tran.commit();
} else {
    // Backout updates on both systems
    tran.rollback();
}
```

JTA commit() with CICS updates and additional RM



CICS TS V5.2 – Liberty Security

- RACF keyrings for SSL
- AppSecurity
 - Authentication
 - Basic authentication
 - Form logon
 - TAI/ JAAS
 - SSL client authentication
 - Customer user registry
 - Authorisation
 - JEE roles
 - EJB roles
 - CICS Transaction/Resource security
 - SynctoOSthread – USS security

Liberty JVM server security

- WLP Angel process used to access authorized services
 - SAF password authentication
 - SAF role authorization (EJBROLES)
- All WLP application security options supported in CICS TS V5.2 Open Beta
 - LTPA/SSO provides optimized performance for authentication
 - TAI/JAAS modules can be used to customize authentication

Liberty JVM server - URIMAP

- Liberty 'threads' run under default transaction 'CJSA'
- URIMAP extended for type 'JVMSEVER'
 - Allows setting of a User transaction other than CJSA
 - Integrates with CICS Transaction Security
 - Used for monitoring and audit purposes
 - Transaction class (TCLASS) support for scheduling
- CICS Task userid determined as follows:
 - Protected URI, use USERID from Http request (basic-auth header)
 - Unprotected URI, use USERID value from URIMAP
 - No URIMAP, or no USERID in URIMAP, use CICS DFLTUSER



CICS Security with Liberty Profile



- V5.1 - Security credentials provided by basic-auth (http or https) or URIMAP.
- V5.2 Open Beta – Form logon, SSL client cert mapping, TAI
- CICS transaction security pre-requisites:
 - SEC=YES (triggers JVM server to add 'CICS' UserRegistry to Liberty)
 - Optional use of URIMAP to switch to 'user transaction'
 - <application-bnd> in server.xml must be present (CICS bundle deployed apps always get this added when SEC=YES)
 - <security-constraint> in Client application “web.xml” must be present (Explorer SDK provides emamples/template)

Application: Web.xml – Example `<security-constraint>`



```
<security-constraint>
  <display-name>examples.web_SecurityConstraint</display-name>
  <web-resource-collection>
    <web-resource-name>examples.web</web-resource-name>
    <description>Protection area for examples.web</description>
    <url-pattern>/*</url-pattern>
  </web-resource-collection>
  <auth-constraint>
    <description>All Authenticated users of examples.web</description>
    <role-name>cicsAllAuthenticated</role-name>
  </auth-constraint>
  <user-data-constraint>
    <transport-guarantee>CONFIDENTIAL</transport-guarantee>
  </user-data-constraint>
</security-constraint>
```

Must match application-bnd on Server

Best practice to force HTTPS

Server.xml – Example <application-bnd>



```
<server>
  <!-- Include file for CICS bundle installed applications -->
  <application id="examples.web" name="examples.web" type="war"
    location="${server.config.dir}/installedApps/examples.web.war">
    <application-bnd>
      <security-role name="cicsAllAuthenticated"> ← Must match Web.xml role
        <special-subject type="ALL_AUTHENTICATED_USERS"/>
      </security-role>
    </application-bnd>
  </application>
</server>
```

Summary of Key Benefits

Local. Lightweight. Fast. Web Applications run locally in CICS with direct access to CICS data and resources. No adapters, no converters, same address space.

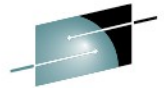
Standard tools for developers. Familiar, industry standard tools with Eclipse and Dynamic Web Projects. CICS Explorer SDK enhances the deployment experience.

Portable. Presentation logic in Servlets, business logic in OSGi bundles. Servlets are portable across runtimes. Bundles provide componentization.

Modular design. Architected in a modular way using OSGi, the server only enables and starts the features required by the applications and configuration. If you're not using a feature, it won't start in your server runtime

Dynamic runtime. Features can be added to the server dynamically, using the OSGi framework, while the server is running, with zero downtime and server restarts. Similarly server and application config can be updated without the need to restart.

Eclipse based tools. The eclipse tools for the Liberty Profile are small and very well integrated with the Liberty Profile environment



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Merci

French

Obrigado

Brazilian Portuguese

Gracias!

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German

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Tamil

ありがとうございました

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