Java Enterprise Edition (JEE) "Core Design Patterns"







Front Controller

Intent

• provide a single point for processing user requests





http://java.sun.com/blueprints/corej2eepatterns/Patterns/FrontController.html

Front Controller

Motivation

- single processing point for all client requests
 - across views & session
 - can be used to inject cross-cutting concerns
 - logging
 - security
- separation of business code from presentation code
- provides logical resource mapping
 - http://server/resource.jsp
 - http://server/servlet/resourceController
 - actually we can map multiple requests to the same controller



Front Controller

Motivation

- reusability & organic growth
 - controllers can be specialized (sub-classing)
 - dynamically or declaratively mapped
 - what is declarative mapping
 - why do we care?



Intercepting Filter

Intent

• preprocessing & post processing of user requests





http://java.sun.com/blueprints/corej2eepatterns/Patterns/InterceptingFilter.html

Intercepting Filter



How is this different from pipes & filters?



Intercepting Filter

Motivation

- functionality injection
- improved reusability
 - filter chains can be defined in a number of ways
- declarative configuration
- Difficulties
 - information sharing
 - fault-tolerance



Data Access Object (DAO)

Intent

• abstract access to data repository



Waterloo http://java.sun.com/blueprints/corej2eepatterns/Patterns/DataAccessObject.html

DAO - Example





Concerns

Mapping

- object to persistence mapping
 - identifier, foreignkey
 - object to single table
 - how do we map associations
 - object to object
 - object to <u>list</u> of objects
 - object to <u>map</u> of objects
 - how do we map inheritance





Mapping

- deletions
 - single object deletions are easy
 - deleting associated objects could cause violations
- mappers
 - allow to vary schema differently from object model



DAO

Mappers

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DAO

ER translates into

- tables, columns
- each table row represents an entity

