



Web Services

Modules of Virtual Organizations

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Why Web Services?

- transform applications in Web Applications
- **Interoperability:** use open standards enabling communication between components written in different languages and for different platforms.
- **Reusable application components:** currency conversion, weather reports or even language translation as services
- **Standardized interfaces :** IBM, Microsoft, Sun, Oracle, SAP
- **Easy, cheap implementation using XML**
- **E-commerce applications**

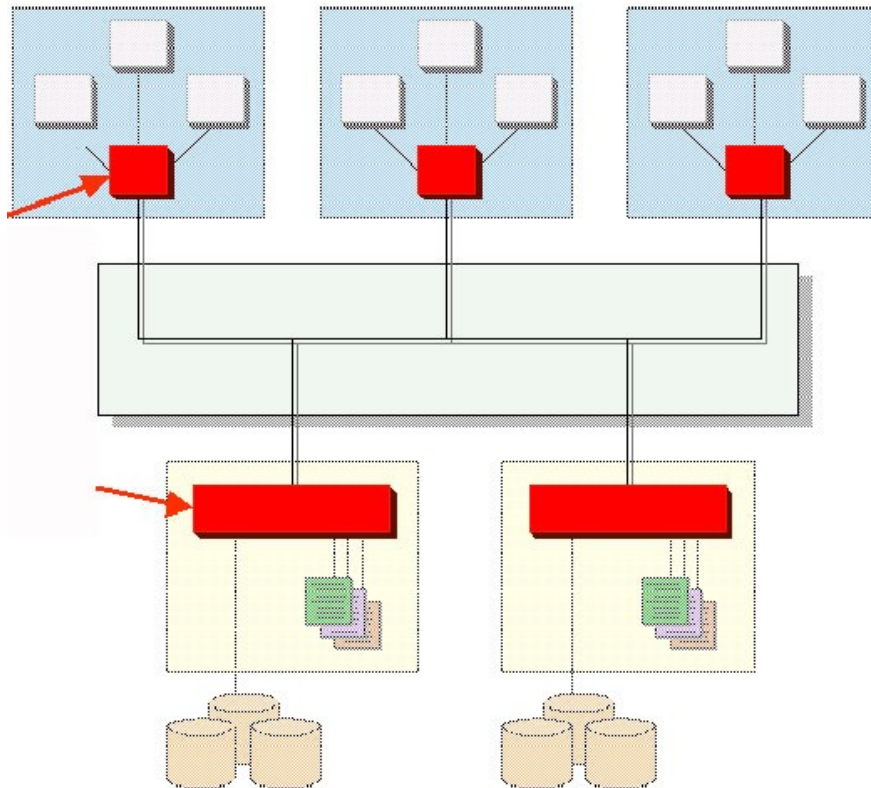


What are Web Services?

- Web Services: a software system designed to support interoperable machine-to-machine interaction over a network.
- Web Services are published, found and used through the Web.
- Web services are application components (weather reports)
- Web services communicate using open protocols (XML, HTTP)
- Web services are self-contained and self-describing modular application (**WSDL**= Web Services Description Language)
- Web services can be discovered using UDDI (Universal Description, Discovery and Integration)
- XML is the basis for Web services



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Clients

Web Service Interface Agent

Network

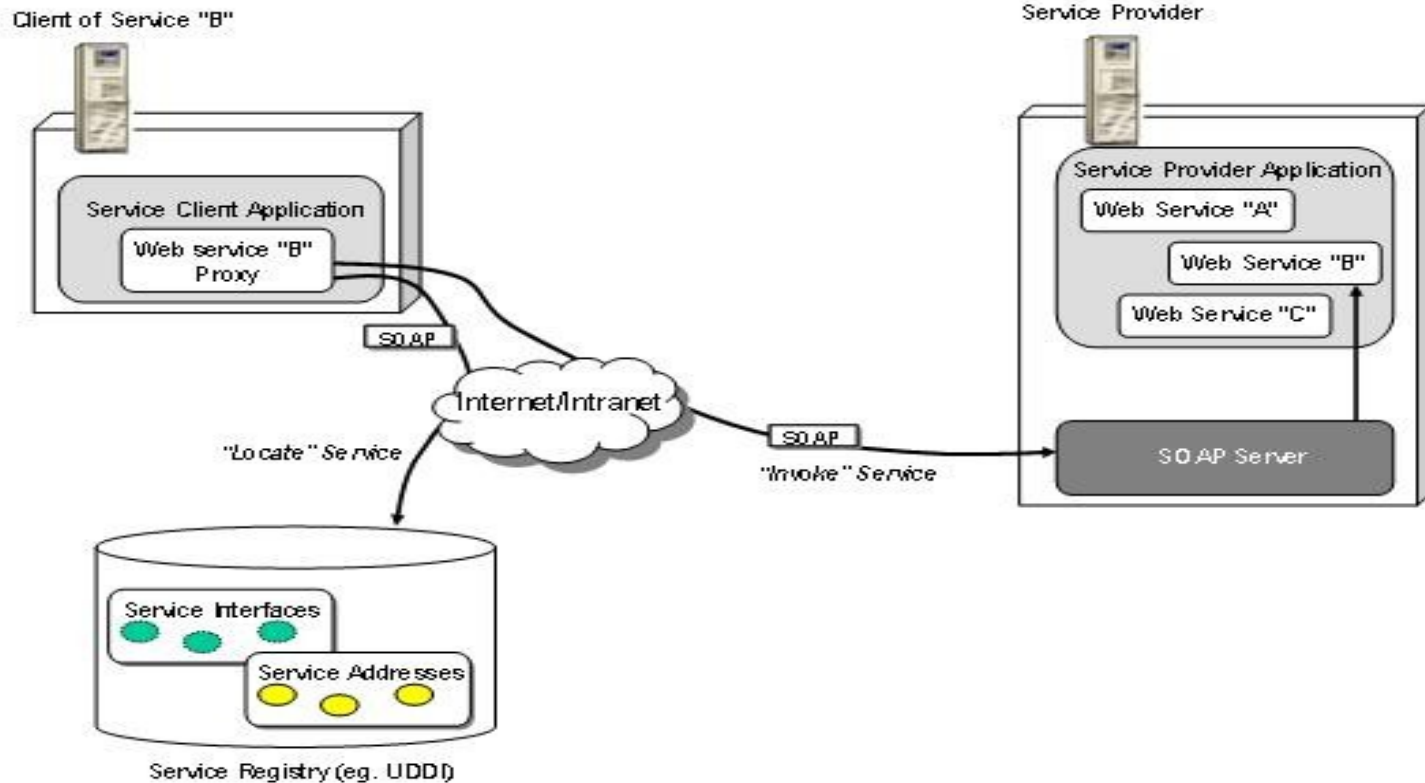
TCP/IP, Message Queues (IBM MQ Series)

Service Engine

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Data Storage

Web Services Architecture



Layer	Internet Protocols	XML protocols	Web Services Protocols	Layer
			UDDI	Discovery
			WSDL	Description
Messaging	HTML	SOAP, XML-RPC	SOAP, XML-RPC	Messaging
Transport	HTTP, SMTP, FTP	HTTP, SMTP, FTP	HTTP, SMTP, FTP	Transport
Network	TCP / IP, UDP	TCP / IP, UDP	TCP / IP, UDP	Network

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- **Development platforms:**

.Net (C#)– Microsoft

.Net My Services / .Net Passport

J2EE (Java)– Sun Microsystems

Google / Amazon

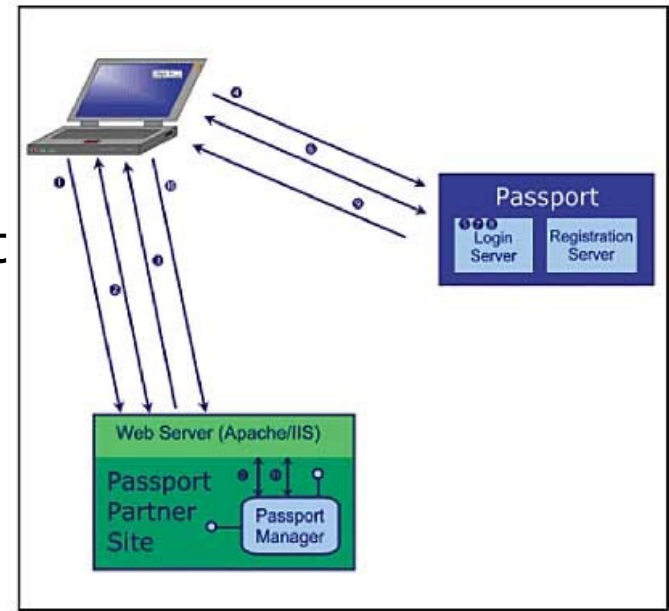
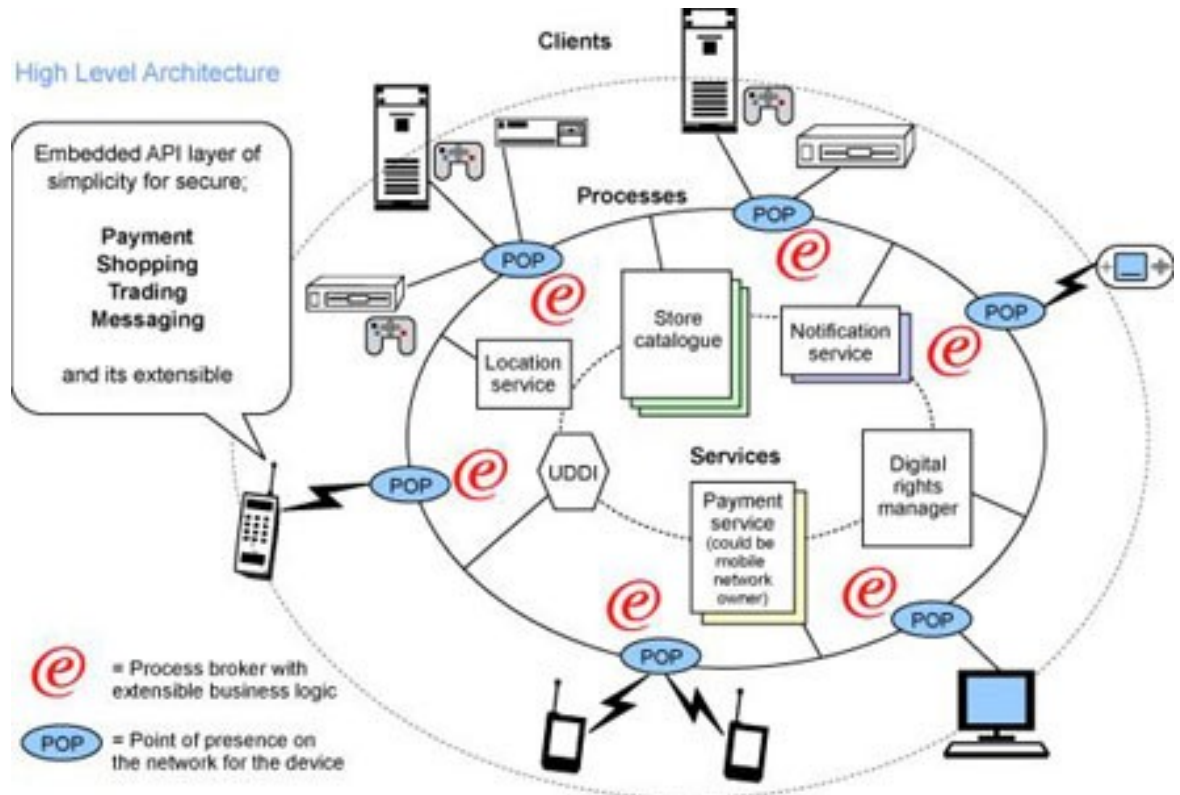


FIGURE 1 | Authentication process

Web Services' Layers

• **The basic layer:**
basic activities of web service description, publishing, discovery, invocation

• **The value-added layer:**
activities of composition, security, reliability, monitoring, transaction handling and contracting





Web Services where to?

- **Why are so few implementation?**

Security: The absence of standard security procedures

Quality of service: To guarantee quality of service

Performance: slow responses and infrequent updates

Industry standards: lack of industry standards on XML vocabulary , WS interfaces and policies

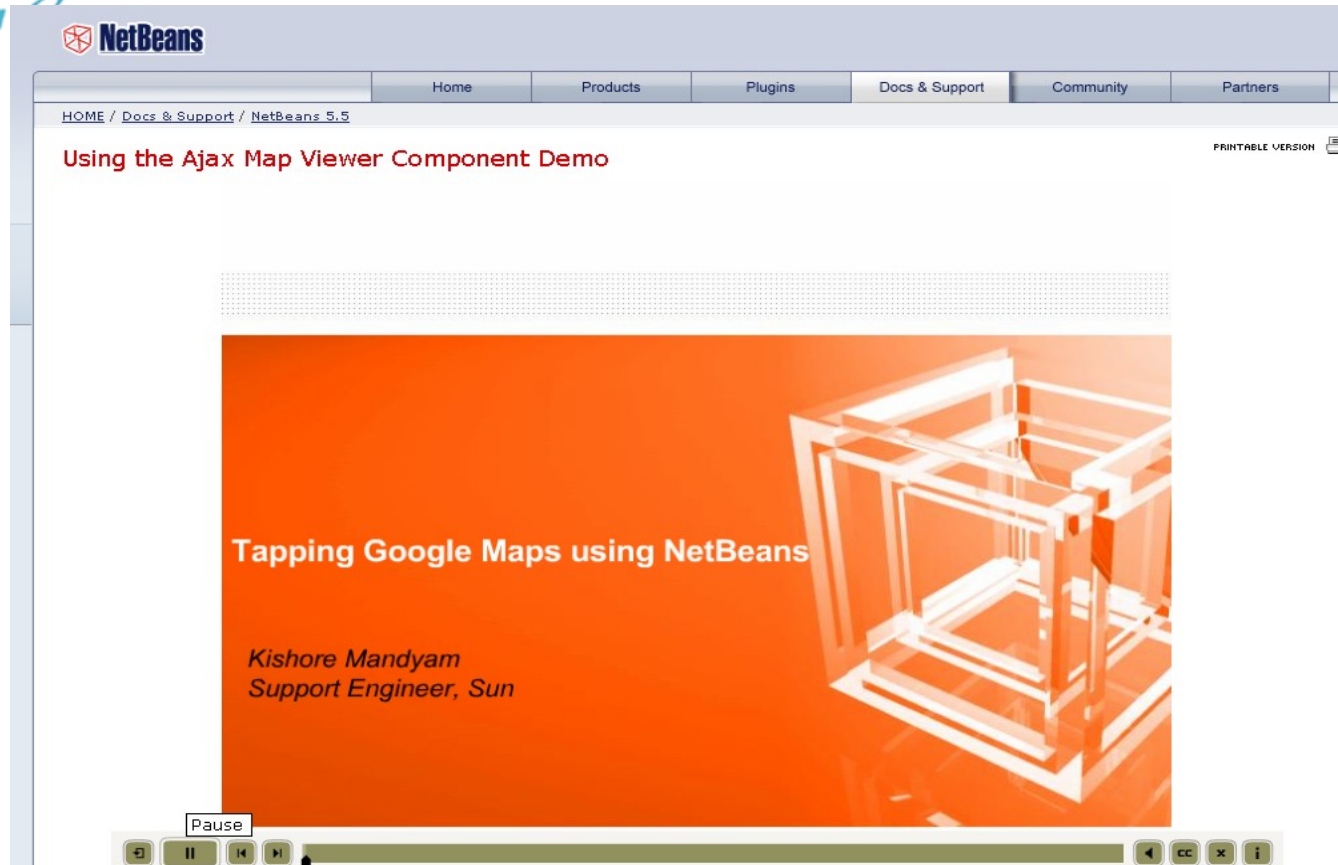
Role of portals: Lack of standards of presenting WS results to humans

- **Semantic Web Services: DAML** is an extension of XML and Resource Description Framework (RDF) which uses ontologies to describe objects and the relationships between objects

DAML=DARPA Agent Markup Language

DARPA= Defence Advanced Research Projects Agency

Web Services example



The screenshot shows the NetBeans website interface. At the top left is the NetBeans logo. A navigation menu includes links for Home, Products, Plugins, Docs & Support, Community, and Partners. Below the menu, the breadcrumb path is HOME / Docs & Support / NetBeans 5.5. The main content area features a video player with the title "Using the Ajax Map Viewer Component Demo" and a "PRINTABLE VERSION" link. The video player is currently paused and displays a slide with an orange background and a 3D wireframe cube. The slide text reads: "Tapping Google Maps using NetBeans" and "Kishore Mandyam, Support Engineer, Sun". The video player controls at the bottom include a "Pause" button, a progress bar, and standard playback icons.

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