EJB and Java Bean Model Usage in Web Dynpro Java



Applies to:

SAP NetWeaver 7.0 SP13 and onwards. For more information, visit the Web Dynpro Java homepage.

Summary

Majority of the Web Dynpro applications will be database driven and requires integration with any RDBMS like Oracle database, DB2, etc. This document covers all the steps required to implement the business logic in Enterprise Java Beans (EJB), persistence using Java Database Connectivity (JDBC) and how to implement the SAP recommended approach of importing Java Bean Model to a Web Dynpro application.

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Scope of this Document

This document serves as a guideline cum best practices for developing database driven e-Applications using Web Dynpro and EJB. This document does not cover all the theories of Enterprise Java Beans (EJB) and assumes that you have a basic knowledge of EJB programming model and basic experience with webdynpro application.

By the end of this document, you will be able to:

- Write a simple Data Access Command Bean (Java Bean) based on predefined business logic.
- Write an EJB (Stateless Session Bean) and implement the persistence with JDBC.
- Generate a model to be used for linking up the business logic of the EJB project from within the Web Dynpro project.
- Declare a context node in the component controller in such a way so that a connection to the model can be created.
- Perform the implementation for using business methods in Web Dynpro components.
- Import all necessary libraries to be used by the model import wizard in the Web Dynpro project.

Prerequisites

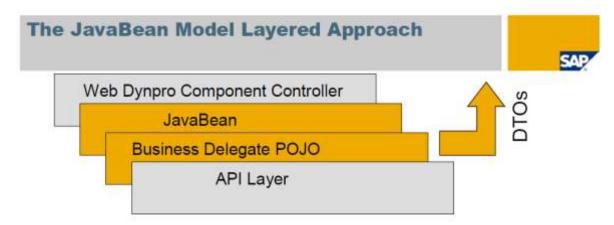
Systems, installed applications, and authorizations

- You have installed the SAP NetWeaver Developer Studio.
- You have access to the SAP J2EE Engine.

Knowledge

- You have acquired some basic experience with Web Dynpro applications.
- You have basic knowledge of the EJB programming model.
- You are experience working with the SAP NetWeaver Developer Studio.

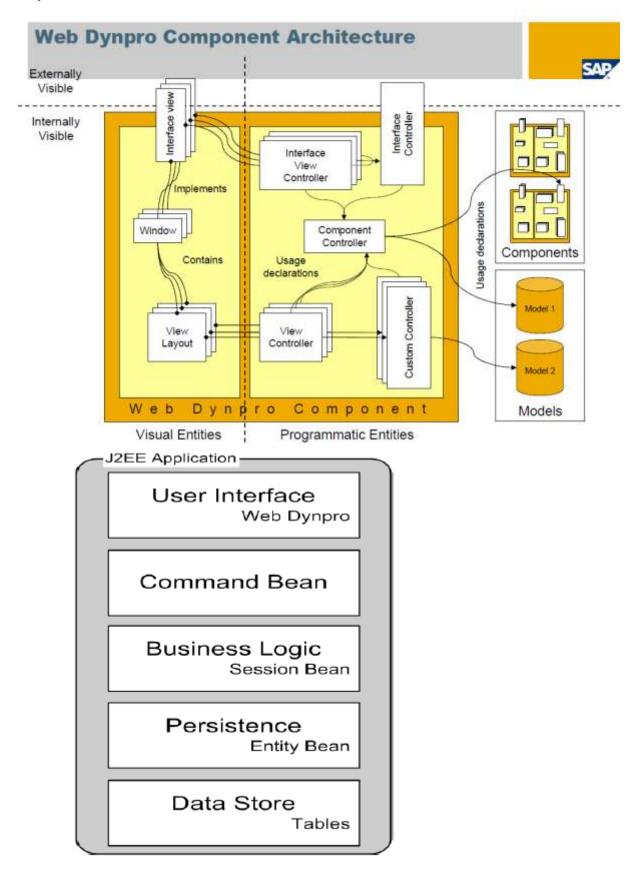
Benefits of Java Bean Model Layered Approach



- Clear segregation of responsibilities.
- Clear rules of behavior.
- Reduces coupling of layers presentation vs. business layer.
- > Hides details of underlying layer, such as EJB lookup logic, business implementation, etc.
- ➤ Using Command Bean Pattern exposes commands in addition to properties (Java Bean). Methods take no arguments, context is JavaBean state.
- Using Java Bean Models mapped to context variables in Web Dynpro will make the life of the developer much easier as he does not have to populate manually the context variables in Web Dynpro Component and View controllers.

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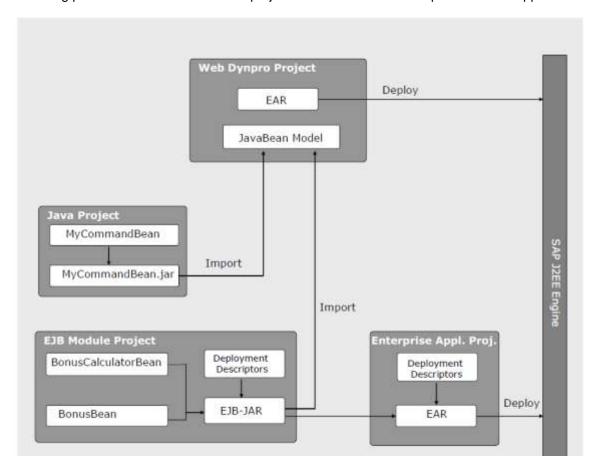
Implementation Procedure



The example scenario in this document consists of different components: Enterprise JavaBeans (EJBs), where you implement the business logic; a Data Access Command Bean (JavaBean), which acts as the java bean model; and a Web Dynpro Project. In the Web Dynpro, the command bean will be imported into the Web Dynpro project using the JavaBean importer wizard. This will be more explained further in this document.

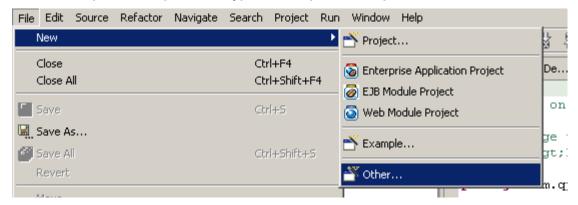
Different Types of Projects.

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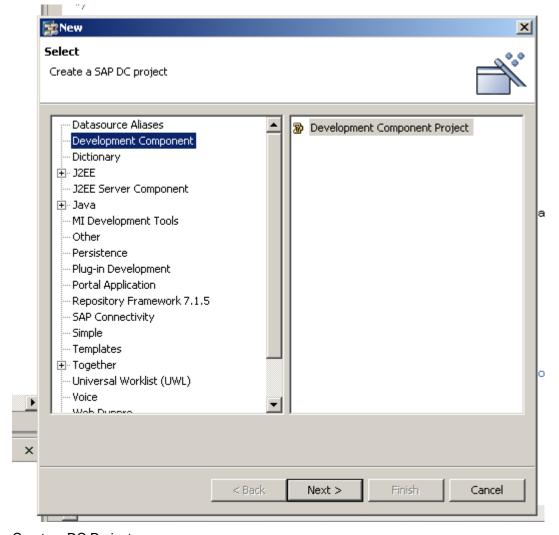


Create EJB Project

Create a new development component of type "Development Component" and select the next button:

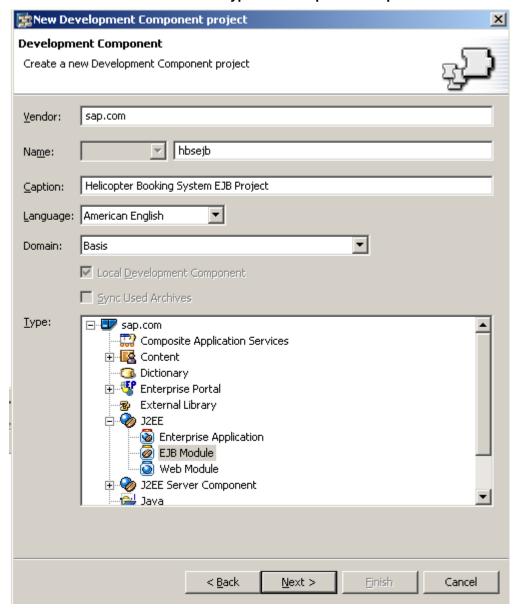


Select "Other" from the File Menu.



Create a DC Project.

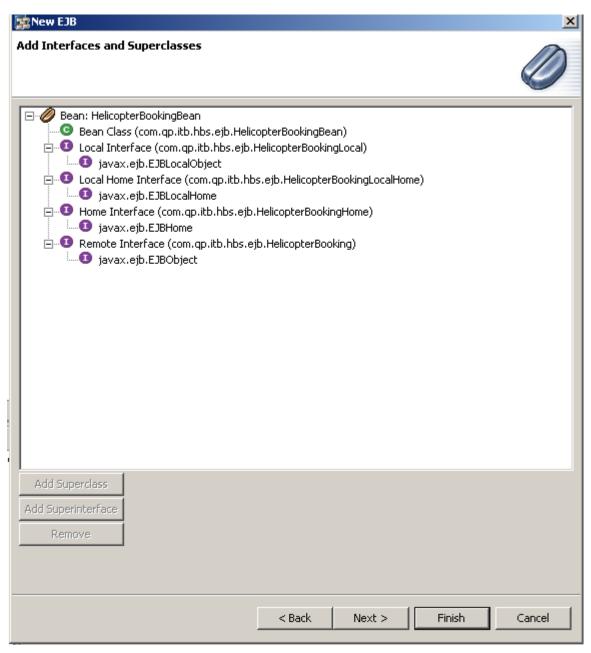
Select J2EE ->EJB Module for the type of development component and select the Next button:



Name the component conject-acronym>ejb and select the Next button.

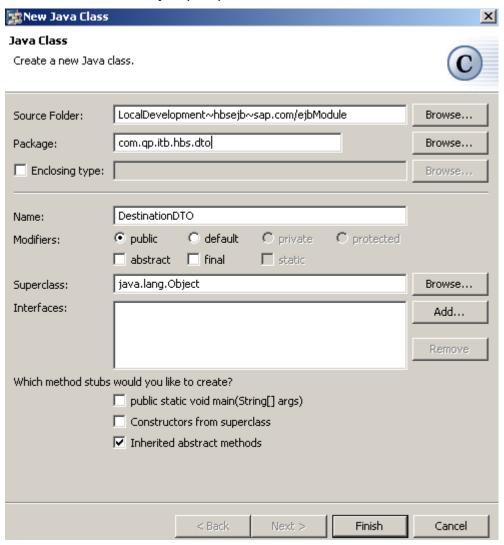
Create a new EJB class as follows:





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Create Data Transfer Object (DTO).



Click on Finish button.

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*/
public class DestinationFTO (
    private String destinationCode;
    private String destinationName;

/**
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    public String petPestinationCode;
}

/**
    Greturn
    //
    public String getDestinationName() (
        return destinationName;
}

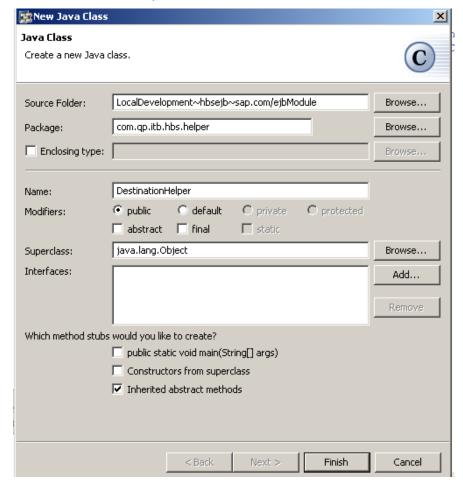
/**
    Greturn
    //
    public String getDestinationName() (
        return destinationName;
}

/**
    Greturn string
    public void setDestinationCode(String string) (
        destinationCode * string;
}
```

Code snippet of DestinationDTO class.

Create a new Java Class called DestinationHelper.

This is the class where you will connect to the database and write JDBC codes.

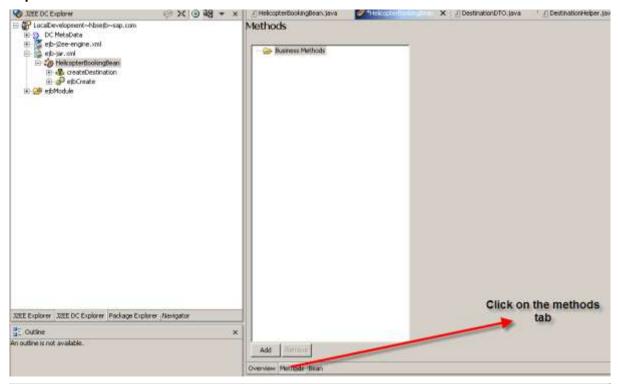


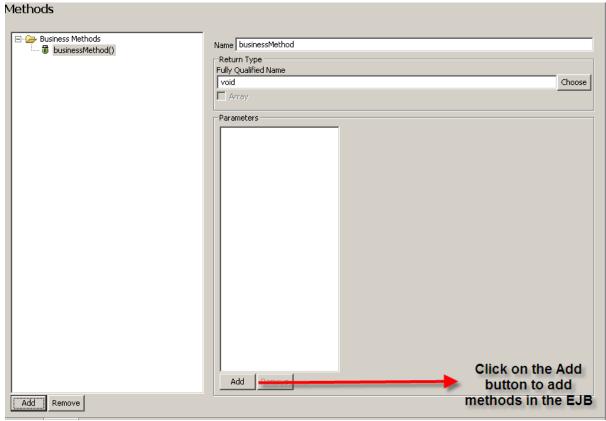
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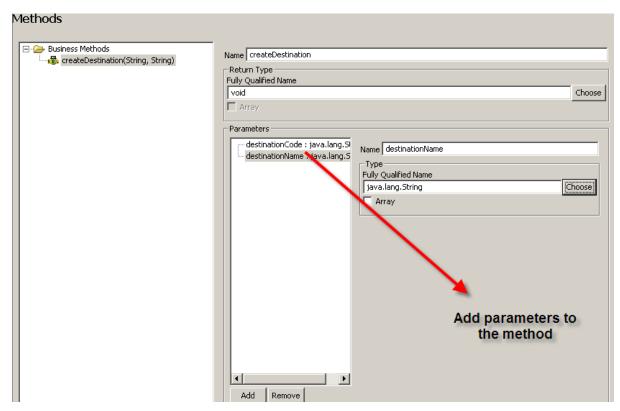
```
// Sample Code for Helper class
   public class DestinationHelper {
      public void createNewDestination (String destinationCode,
                                                              String destinationName)
                                                              throws EJBException{
             Connection conn = null;
             String destination = null;
             Statement stmt = null;
             try {
                    //Getting the datasource connection
                    InitialContext ctx = new InitialContext();
                    DataSource dataSource = (DataSource) ctx.lookup("jdbc/HBIMS");
                    conn = dataSource.getConnection();
                    if (conn == null) {
                           destination = "connection is null";
                           throw new EJBException(destination);
                    }
                    conn.setAutoCommit(false);
                    stmt = conn.createStatement();
                    String sql ="INSERT INTO hbs_destinations (destination_code,
                    destination_name) VALUES ('"
                                  + destinationCode + "','"+ destinationName+ "')";
                    int k = stmt.executeUpdate(sql);
                    conn.commit();
             } catch (SQLException sex) {
                    sex.printStackTrace();
                    throw new EJBException(sex.getMessage());
             } catch (NamingException ex) {
                    ex.printStackTrace();
                    throw new EJBException(ex.getMessage());
                          conn.rollBack();
             } finally {
                    try {
                           if (stmt != null)
                                  stmt.close();
                           if (conn != null)
                                 conn.close();
                    } catch (SQLException se) {
                           se.printStackTrace();
                    }
             }
      }
   }
```

Above is the code snippet for DestinationHelper class.

Implement EJB Business method.

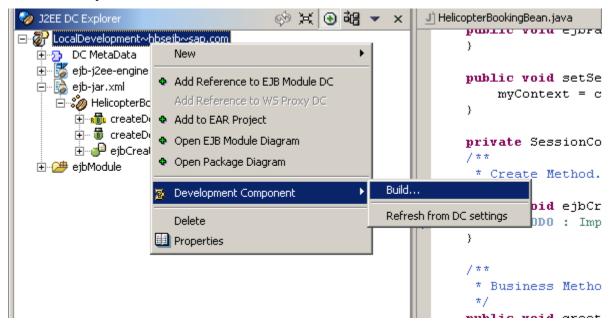






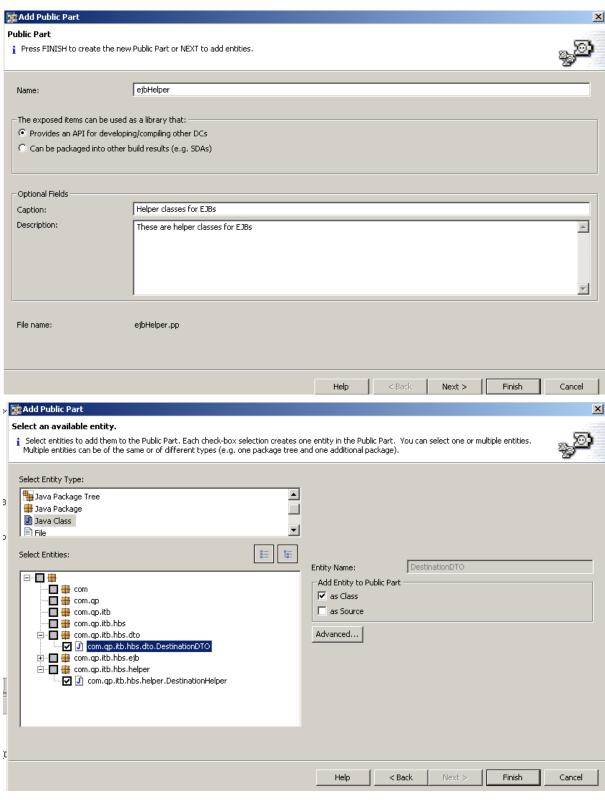
Implement the business method in the EJB class.

Build the EJB Project

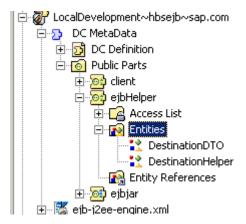


Add the helper classes to the public parts, so that other DC projects can access the helper class.





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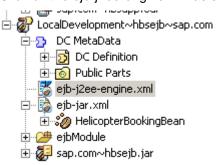


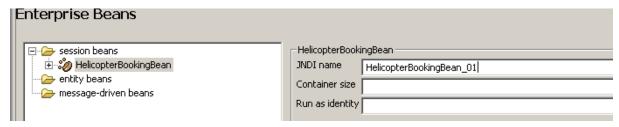
So now you have a public part called ejbHelper which has all the helper classes.

EJBs need not be exposed like this as they are public by default.

Create a JNDI name for the EJB.

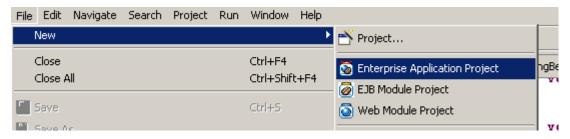
Click on the ejb-j2ee-engine.xml as shown below.



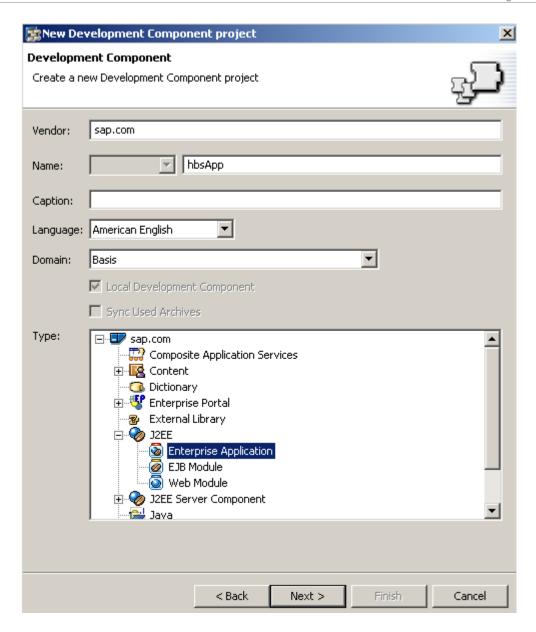


Save the changes.

Create an Enterprise application project to deploy the EJB to J2EE server.

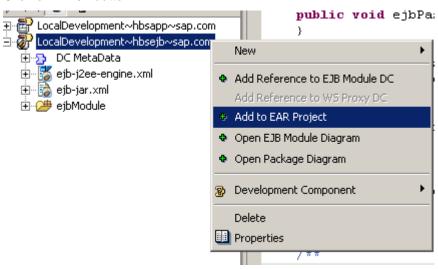


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Build and deploy the EAR file to J2EE Server.

Right click on the ear file and deploy it to the server.

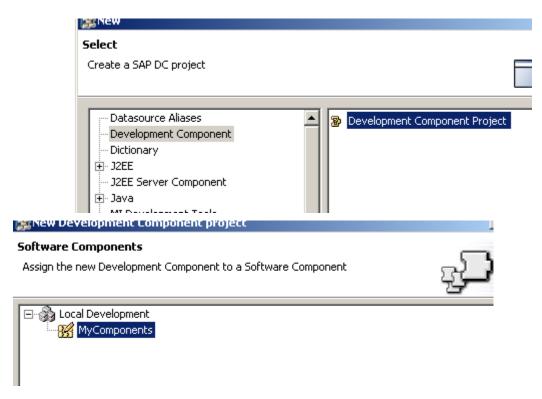


Create Model Project (Java Project)

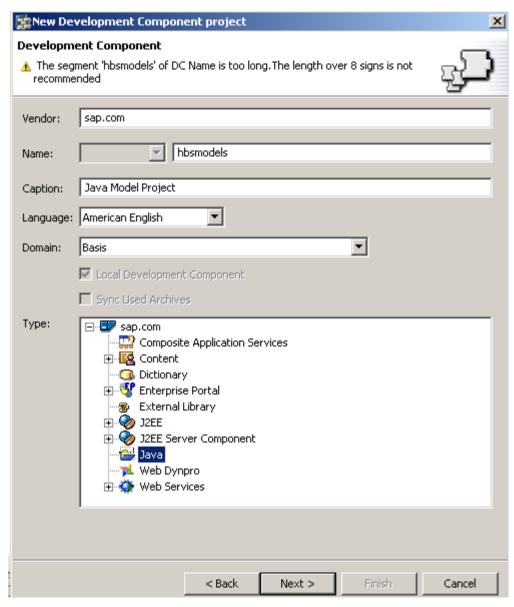
In this procedure you will create a separate Java project that serves as a container for the Data Access Command Beans and will be imported in the Web Dynpro model. If you already have a model created, this exercise can be skipped.

Procedure

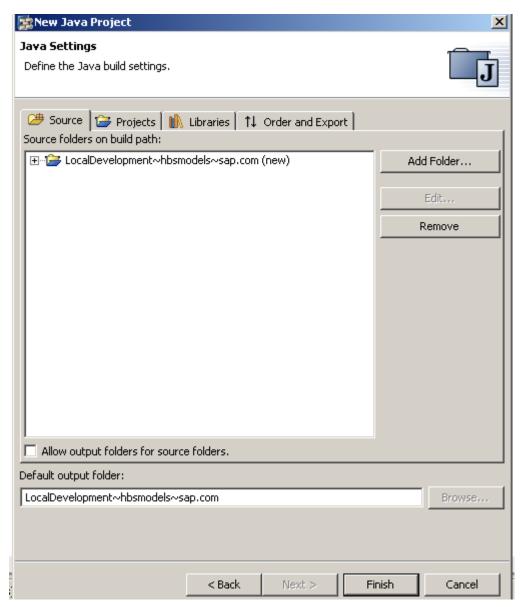
Switch to the Java Perspective and choose File → New → Project to start the New Project wizard.



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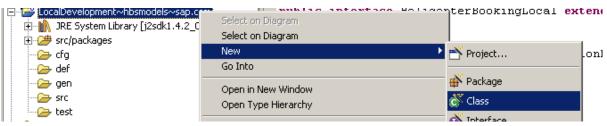


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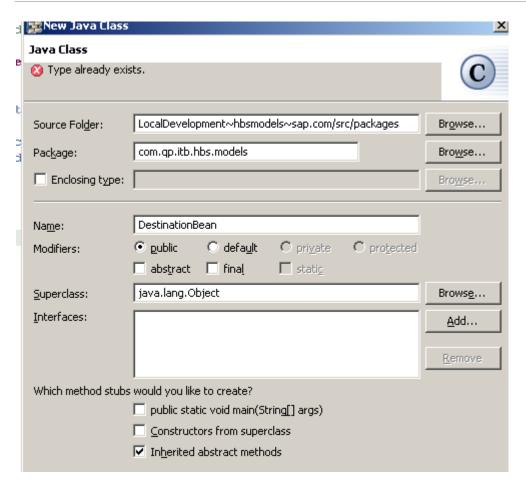


Click on Finish button.

Switch to the Package explorer view. Create a new java class.



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Implementing the Command Bean

The JavaBean class DestinationBean, which serves as a Command Bean (or Model), should be able to store all the data that is needed to display about the destination (including possible error messages). DestinationBean will be initialized from within the Web Dynpro and passes the destination code and destination name data to the session bean (HelicopterBookingBean) of the EJB Project.

DestinationBean will be imported for the JavaBean model into the WebDynpro and supplies the properties to be bound to the controller context. For this purpose, DestinationBean must contain a field for each relevant value. The fields will be named destinationCode, destinationName and message.

Add the following attribute to the java class.

```
public class DestinationBean {
    private String destinationCode;
    private String destinationName;
    private String message;
}
```

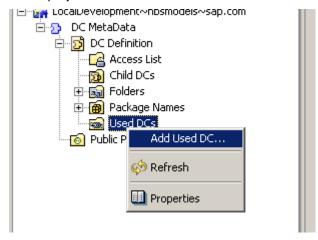
Since we want to call the session bean from within the command bean, we now need to declare variables for the local and the local home interface (HelicopterBookingLocal and HelicopterBookingLocalHome) of the session bean.

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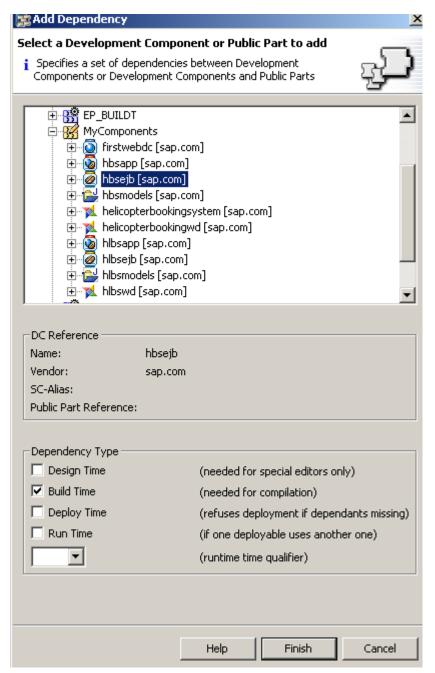
```
public class DestinationBean {
    private String destinationCode;
    private String destinationName;
    private String message;

    HelicopterBookingLocal local = null;
    HelicopterBookingLocalHome home = null;
}
```

Now you noticed, there are compilation errors in the code. You need to add the EJB Project in the used DC in this project.

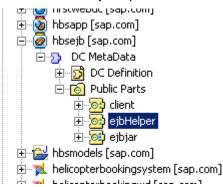


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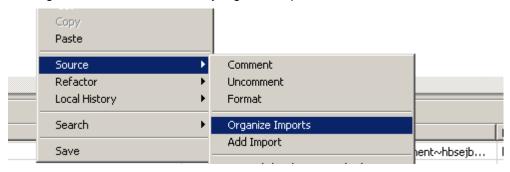
Click on Finish button.

Add Used DC - eibHelper



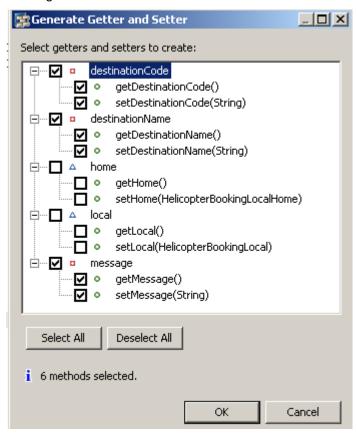
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Now right click on the code and say organize imports.



Now the errors are gone.

Since this Java class needs to comply with the JavaBean specification, we have to write Get and Set methods for the properties we declared before. From the context of the editor, choose Source \rightarrow Generate Getter and Setter Methods. From the screen that appears select destinationCode, destinationName and message.

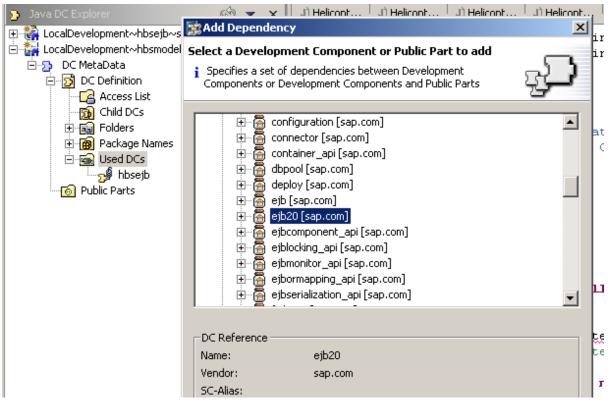


Now we have to write a constructor that will be executed each time the command bean is instantiated. In this constructor, the look-up for the session bean will be executed. Consider, that we need to add localejbs in the lookup string while using local interface for EJB access.

Add the following lines of code:

Do not worry if errors occur.

Add ejb20 to the used DC.



Again, from the context menu of the editor, choose Source→ Organize imports.

The next step is to create a method called executeCreateDestination, which calls the business method (createDestination()) of the session bean. Insert the following lines of code:

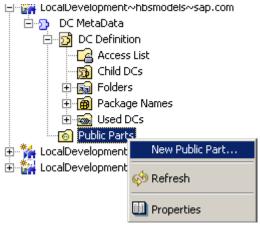
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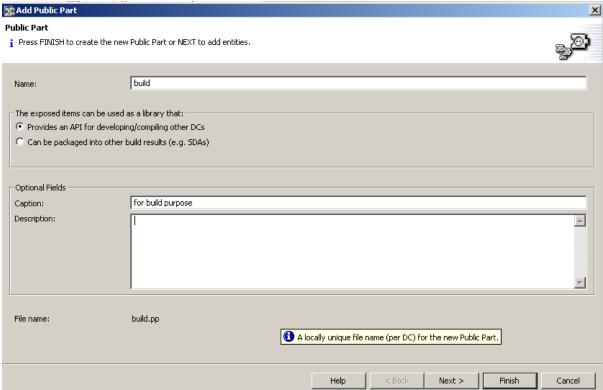
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```
public void executeCreateDestination() {
    //Calls the createDestination method of the Session Bean,
    // which creates a new destination
    try {
       DestinationDTO dto = new DestinationDTO();
       dto.setDestinationCode(this.destinationCode);
       dto.setDestinationName(this.destinationName);
       local.createDestination(dto);
    } catch (Exception e) {
       e.printStackTrace();
       this.message = e.getMessage();
       return:
    }
}
```

Now you have successfully implemented the command bean, which will serve as an input for the Web Dynpro model importer.

Expose two public parts: assembly with all classes and build with DTOs and bean classes

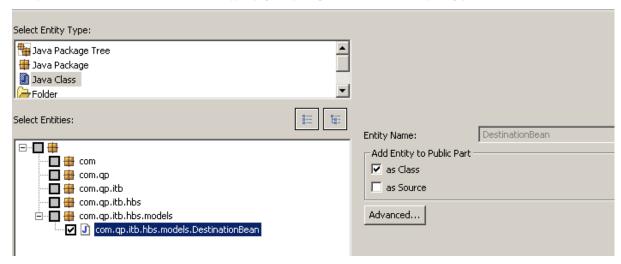




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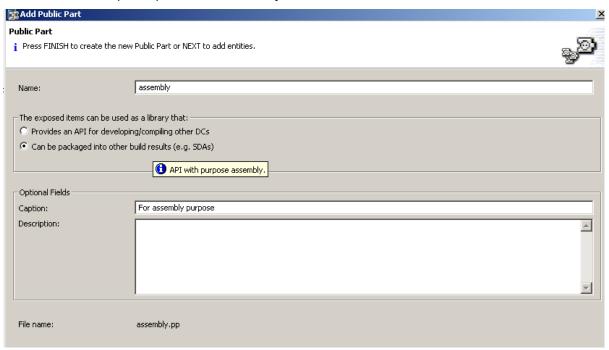
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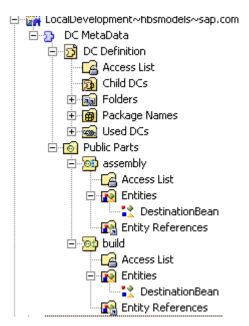


Click on Finish button.

Then create a new public part called assembly.



Now your project structure will be looking as below:



Now let's move to the main part which is importing this model in an existing Web Dynpro application.

Defining the Web Dynpro Model

In compliance with the MVC paradigm, a model in Web Dynpro enables the user to access business data that is stored outside the Web Dynpro application. In our case, however, the business data that belongs to our sample application is made accessible through Data Access Command Beans. These beans offer exactly the input we need for the JavaBean model importer in Web Dynpro.

Within the Web Dynpro project, you will obtain such a model as a result of proxy generation. It is represented by a set of model classes, including their relations. However, in our quite simple case we will see only one model class generated and there is no relation defined here. In the following step, we only need to bind the model object to the context. Each context, however, has a node that represents the corresponding model object. The model node, in turn, defines a set of attributes that corresponds with the properties of the JavaBean. Finally, we only need to take care of the link from the UI elements to the business data referenced in the view controller context (data binding for the Web Dynpro view's UI elements).

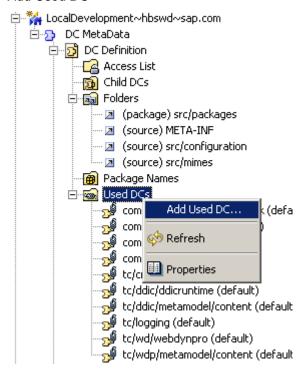
Importing the Java Bean Model

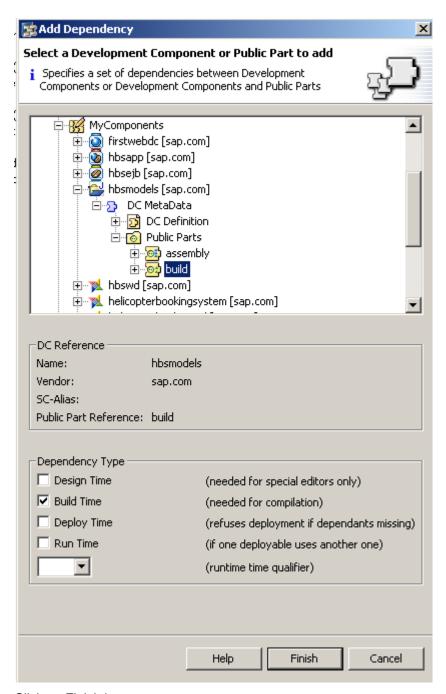
A model enables the user to access business data that is outside the Web Dynpro application from within the application. In this tutorial, the business data that belongs to the sample application is made accessible through a JavaBean import.

Within a Web Dynpro component, business data is stored in separate context structures (consisting of context nodes and context attributes). The link between the context elements contained there and the business data in an existing model can be set up using the communication classes and auxiliary classes required for this purpose. You can use the Web Dynpro tools to generate such a model for a command bean. The model mainly consists of special model classes that you can use to link context structures to the model. Below you will learn how you can generate such a model.

Procedure

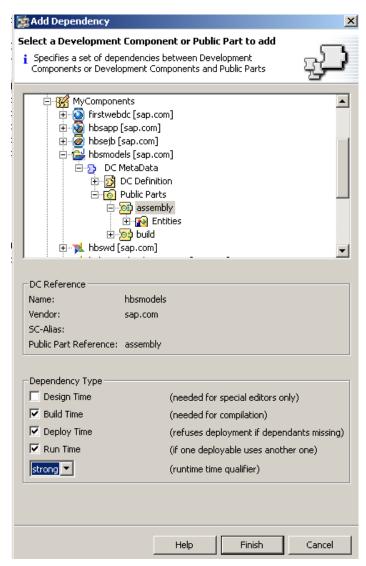
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Click on Finish button.

Select Public Part 'assembly' to add

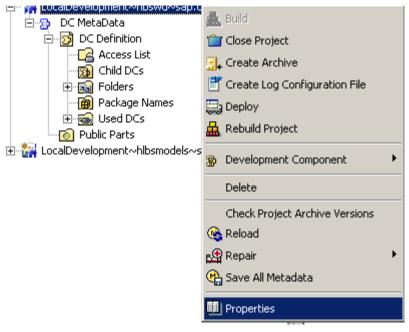


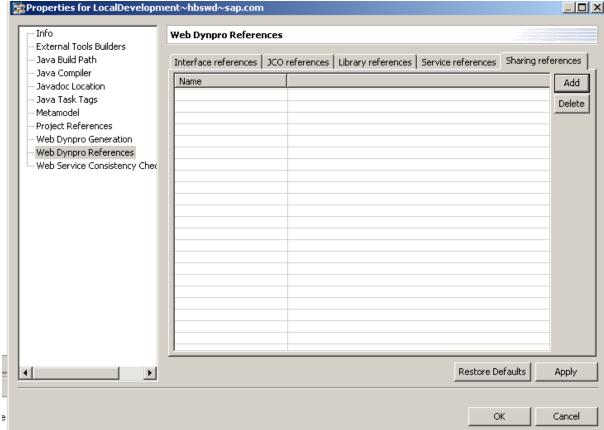
Click on Finish button.

Add Web Dynpro Sharing References to EJB

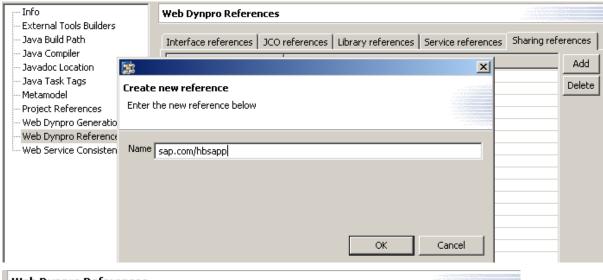
In oder to access EJBs from the Web Dynpro application at runtime, we also need to add a sharing reference to the deployed Ear from within the Web Dynpro project. To do so, select the project properties and choose Web Dynpro References → Sharing references

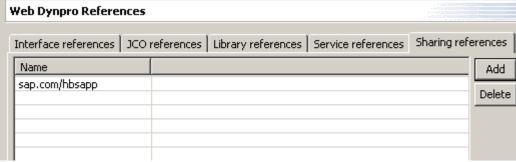
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Choose the Add button and enter the fully qualified name (vendor name/Ear name) for the Ear required

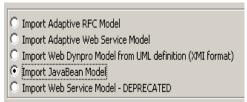




Now you have the sharing reference to enterprise application.

Importing the Java Bean Model Implementation

- 1. In the project structure, expand the node Web Dynpro→ Models. From the context menu, choose whodels to start the appropriate wizard.
- 2. Choose the Import JavaBean Model option, followed by Next. Enter the name DestinationModel as the model name and com.qp.itb.hbs.comp.dest.models as the package name.



3. Select Public Part of Used DCs and click Next.



4. In the next screen, select Avaiable public part DCs

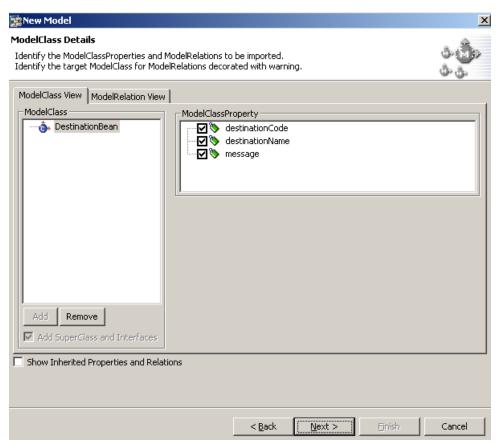
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5. In the next screen, select DestinationBean and chooseAdd →



6. In the Next Screen, Select the default.

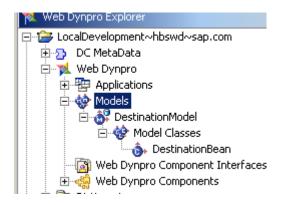


Click on Next and in the next screen, click on Finish button.

Result

You have now created a model named DestinationModel in your Web Dynpro project. In accordance with the MVC paradigm, the model was not simply generated as part of the WebDynpro component, but as an independent development object. Accordingly, you will have to explicitly create this model for the Web Dynpro component before it can be used there. The generated model class is now visible within the project structure in the Web Dynpro Explorer under the $\mathbb{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ Models node.

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Creating the Context

Each Web Dynpro component is supplied with a corresponding Component Controller. This controller is responsible for the acquisition of the data required by the command bean for the destination details. Accordingly, it must be able to depict the corresponding input and output structures of the SessionBean model. In order to create a connection between the Component Controller and the model created in the previous step, you will bind the context of the Component Controller to the created model structure using the Data Modeler

Procedure

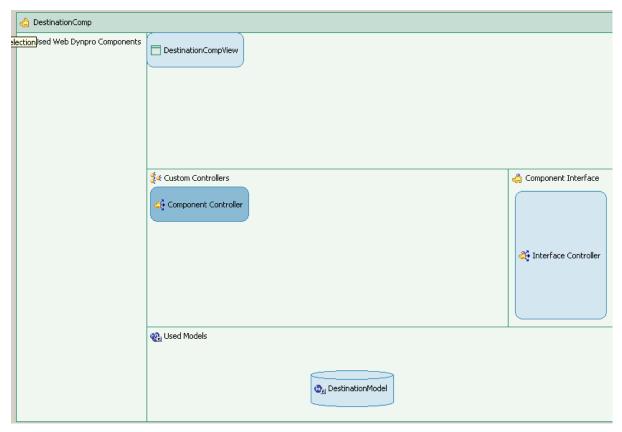
Adding a Model to the Web Dynpro Component

Open the Data Modeler through the context menu entry Open Data Modeler of the node DestinationComp. In the toolbar on the left, choose the Add an existing model to the component icon. The icon will turn gray. Place the cursor on the Used Models area and left-click.



Select the DestinationModel checkbox and confirm by pressing OK. The structure of the Web Dynpro component DestinationComp will look like this in the Data Modeler:

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Binding the Component Controller Context to the Command Bean

In the Data Modeler, you can easily declare the connection between the context of the Component Controller and the BeanModel you have created.

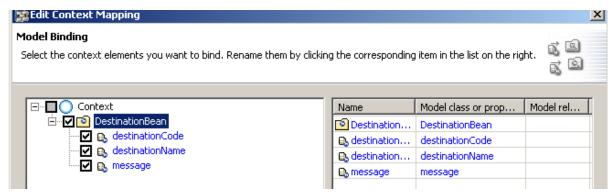
In the Data Modeler toolbar, choose the 🖍 Create a data link icon. Draw a line beginning at Component Controller and ending at DestinationModel. The Model Binding Wizard starts automatically.

Using Drag & Drop, drag the node of the model class DestinationBean in the DestinationModel to the root node of the component controller context, and drop it.

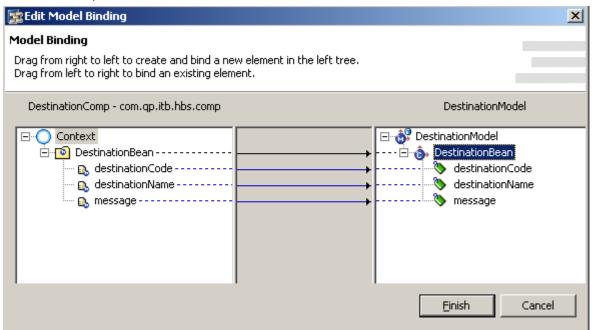


In the following input dialog, select the model node and all the model attributes

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If you now expand the context tree in the following dialog boxes, the declared model link between the Component Context node and the model classes, including their relations, will be displayed graphically through link lines. The relations are expanded in the model tree (right window) in the associated classes.



Close the Model Binding Wizard by choosing Finish.

Result

From the model definition, you have now defined a structure of context model elements (consisting of model nodes and model attributes) in the component controller DestinationComp, and you have also bound these to the corresponding model class.

Mapping Component Context to View Context

In the last step, you created a structure for context model elements in the context of the component controller and also bound this structure to a generated model class. The component controller is a central point in Web Dynpro. From here, it is possible to control the functions of a Web Dynpro component. In this way, its context serves as a storage area for all the data received from the model. However, a component controller cannot be linked with a view. For this reason, model data from the context of the component controller must be able to be passed to the context of a view controller. Only then can model data be displayed in a view.

It would be technically possible for a view context to access the model, but this would not be good design style. To use the MVC paradigms in a consistent manner, you require the component controller as a binding link between the view and the model. In this step of the tutorial, you will map the context structure of a component controller onto the context of the view controller. Using this context mapping, you enable context

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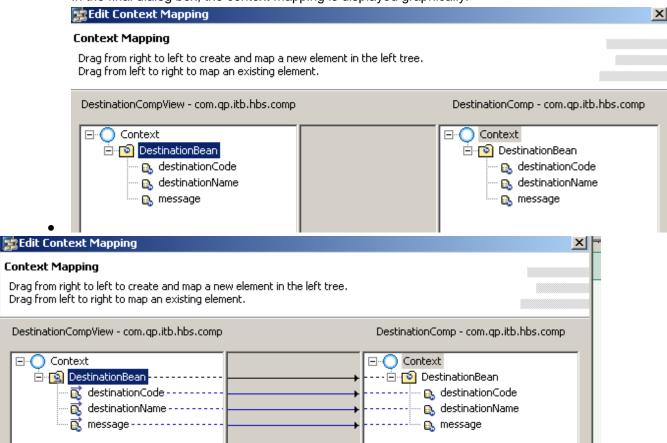
elements of the view to be referenced - that is, elements that have data stored in the component context and themselves represent a copy of the actual model data.

Prerequisites

Open the Data Modeler for the Web Dynpro component DestinationComp.

Procedure

- In the toolbar, choose Create a data link. Draw a line, beginning with the DestinationCompView view and ending at the Component Controller. The Model Binding Wizard starts automatically.
- Using Drag & Drop, drag the node of the model class DestinationBean in the Component Controller to the root node of the view controller context. In the following input dialog, select the model node and model attributes. Then choose OK.
- In the final dialog box, the context mapping is displayed graphically:

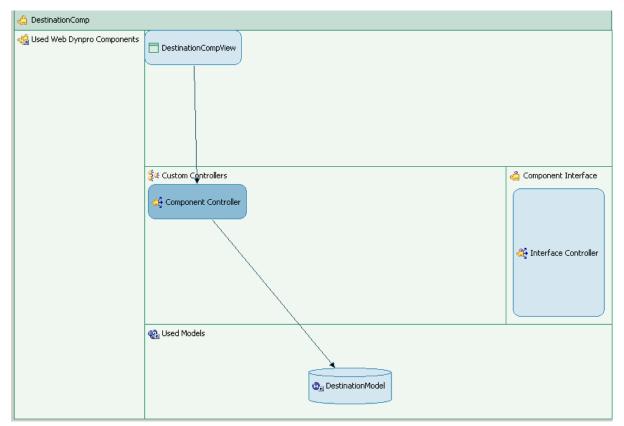


Close the Model Binding Wizard by choosing Finish

Result

You have created the necessary view context and mapped it to the component context you created previously. The Data Modeler shows this through the appropriate arrow links.

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You are now in a position to bind UI elements such as input fields to the corresponding view context elements.

Binding UI Elements

With the DestinationCompView, these context variables are added in the form using the Apply Template Therefore, you do not need to worry about the layout of this example application.

You only need to take care of the link from the interface elements to the business data referenced in the view controller context. You can do this easily through Data Binding.

Set up the data bindings between the UI element properties and the respective context model attributes.



Implementing Web Dynpro Application

After you have successfully executed all the required declarative development steps, you now need to add some individual lines of Java code for the view controller.

Within each controller, there are some predefined places where you can add source code. These include, in particular, the standard methods wdDoInit() and wdDoExit(), and also the Action Event-Handler in the view controllers.

wdDoInit() is always controlled if the controller is instanced. For this reason, you must remember that at this point there is an object that – at runtime – represents the entire input, including all the input parameters for calling the command bean business method.

In the action event handler onActionSubmit(), the actual Command Bean call must be implemented, based on the data entered by the user and stored in the context concerned.

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In the action event handler onActionReset(), the clearing of the fields in the UI has to be defined, calling setter methods.

Prerequisites

- You have created the JavaBean import model.
- You have mapped the view context onto the Component Controller context.

Procedure

Implementing the Component Controller

Here you define an object that – at runtime – represents the input page of the command bean method. This object must also be bound to the model node DestinationBean, which was declared at design time.

- Choose the Implementation tab for the component controller DestinationComp.
 After the generation routines have been run once again, the updated source code of the view controller implementation is displayed.
- Between //@ @begin wdDoInit() and //@ @end of the method wdDoInit(), enter the following Java code:

```
public void wdDoInit()
{
    //@@begin wdDoInit()
    try {

    DestinationBean bean = new DestinationBean();
    wdContext.nodeDestinationBean().bind(bean);
    }catch(Exception e) {
        IWDMessageManager msgMgr = wdComponentAPI.getMessageManager();
        msgMgr.reportException(e.getLocalizedMessage(), true);
    }

    //@@end
}
```

In the context menu of the source code editor, choose the function Source→Organize Imports in
order to add the missing import line. The MessageManager class is imported into the view controller
and you can use the generic UI service to display message texts in the user interface.

Implementing the Action Event Handler of the View Controller

The actual command bean is now called through the executeCreateDestination() method call of the model object currently stored in the context model node. This already contains the destination code and destination name data entered by the user – through data binding and context mapping.

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- Choose the Implementation tab for the view controller DestinationCompView.
- In the onActionCreateDestination () method, add the following source code:

```
public void onActionCreateDestination(com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDCustomEvent wdEvent )
{
    //@@begin onActionCreateDestination(ServerEvent)
    wdContext.currentDestinationBeanElement().modelObject().executeCreateDestination();
    //@@end
}
```

• In the onActionReset() method, add the following source code:

```
public void onActionReset(com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDCustomEvent wdEvent )
{
    //@@begin onActionReset(ServerEvent)
    wdContext.currentDestinationBeanElement().modelObject().setDestinationCode("");
    wdContext.currentDestinationBeanElement().modelObject().setDestinationName("");
    //@@end
```

Result

The Developer Studio updates and compiles the Java classes belonging to your project. (Note: Compilation only occurs if you are using the Workbench standard settings.) After you have done this, no more error messages should appear in your tasks view.

Acronyms Used

MVC - Model View Controller

SQL - Standard Query Language

RDBMS - Relational Database Management System

JDBC - Java Database Connectivity

UI - User Interface

DC - Development Component

API - Application Programmer's Interface

EJB - Enterprise Java Bean

DAO - Data Access Object

DTO - Data Transfer Object

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