

Lesson 11 – Programming language

Service Oriented Architectures Security

Module 1 - Basic technologies

Unit 5 – BPEL

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Variables

- Used to store, reformat and transform messages
- Required to send and receive messages
- Each variable has a Type

Example:

```
<variables>
    <variable name="loanApplication"
        messageType="ns2:LoanServiceRequestMess
        age"/>
</variables>
```

Activities (1)

Primitive Activities

- <invoke>
- <receive>
- <assign>
- <reply>
- <throw>
- <terminate>
- <wait>

Structured Activities

- <sequence>
- <switch>
- <pick>
- <flow>
- <link>
- <while>
- <scope>

Activities (2)

- <invoke>
 - Invoke a service synchronously
 - Ex.: Invoke Credit Service
- <receive>
 - Waits for the incoming message, either to start the process or for a callback
 - Ex.: Wait for a message from United Loan
- <reply>
 - Return response for synchronous process, relate to initial <receive>
- <assign>
 - Copy data between variables, expressions and endpoint references
 - Used with XPath expressions and XSLT engine
 - Ex.: Copy Load Application from input payload to United Loan input

- Scopes can be used to divide the business process into organized parts
- A `<scope>` is an execution context for the contained activities, and a process is, itself, a `<scope>`
- A `<scope>` defines local variables and can catch and handle either specific faults or all faults that occur with it
 - Ex: GetCreditRating Scope – Invoke Credit Service and catch exceptions

Control flow (1)

- BPEL provides the usual branching and looping control flow constructs
- A `<sequence>` executes activities in serial order
- A `<switch>` executes at most one alternative based on expressions specified on child `<case>` elements with an optional `<otherwise>`
 - Ex: choose between United and Star Loan offers based on lower APR
- A `<while>` loops through activities while a variable's value is true

Control flow (2)

- BPEL provides a parallel control construct through the `<flow>` activity
 - Ex: Invoke United and Star Loan services in parallel
- More complex synchronization is achieved through "join" expressions composed of link statuses and boolean operations (`&&` and `||`)

Partner Links

- Links to all parties that process interacts
- Links can be to Web Services
 - Ex: CreditService, UnitedLoanService, StarLoanService
- Links can be to other BPEL processes as well
- PartnerLinkTypes
 - Declares how parties interact and what each party offers

Fault handling

- Handle faults to enable completion of process using `<faultHandlers>`
- Use `<catch>` activity to handle specific faults
 - Ex: catch bad credit exception and terminate the process
- Use `<catchAll>` to handle all other faults

Event handling

- Message events
 - Useful to address wait for several messages
- Alarm events
 - Make process wait for a callback for a certain period of time
- <pick> activity
 - Process should wait the occurrence of one event in a set of events
 - Ex: Loan Flow could be changed to use <pick> activity that waits only 30 minutes for a Loan request

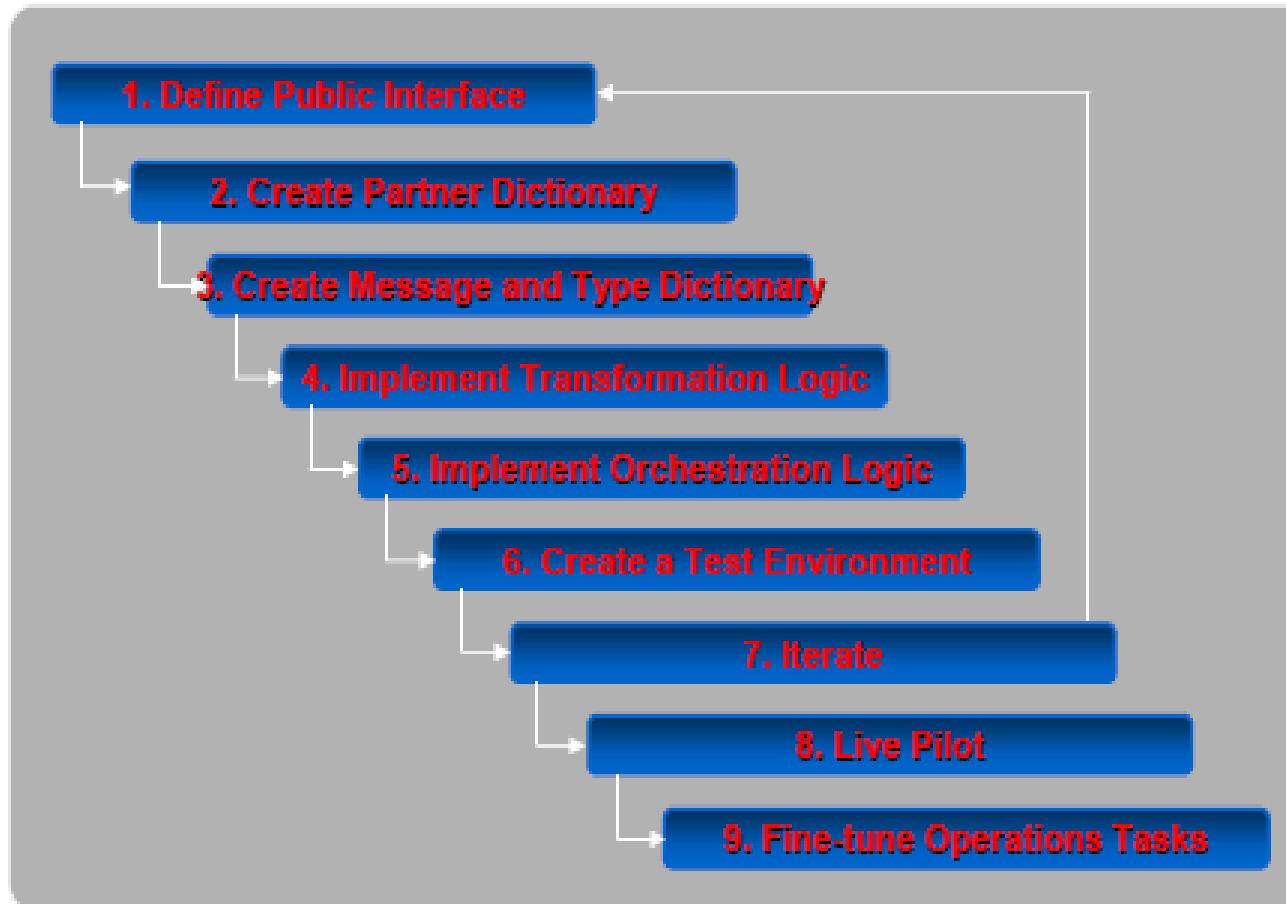
Correlation (1)

- BPEL correlates messages based on properties referenced in a <correlationSet>
- Multiple properties can be combined into a composite correlation key
- Properties are typed by XML Schema simple types and bound ("aliased") via Xpath expressions to locations in message parts

Correlation (2)

- Non-determinism
- A <pick> activity waits: for a message specified by an <onMessage> child element, where correlation allows a specific process instance to be addressed for an amount of time or until a time, specified with an <onAlarm> child element

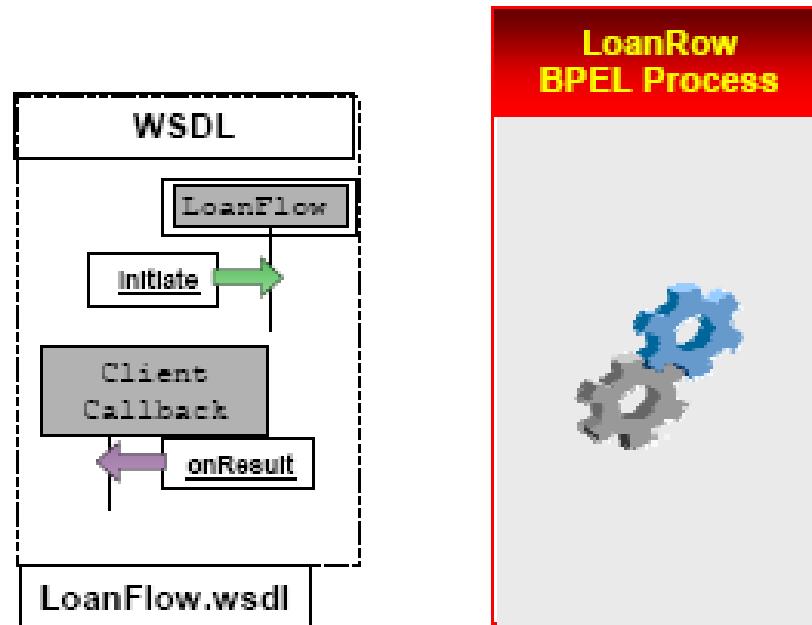
Steps to build business process



Step 1: define public interface

- Deliverables:

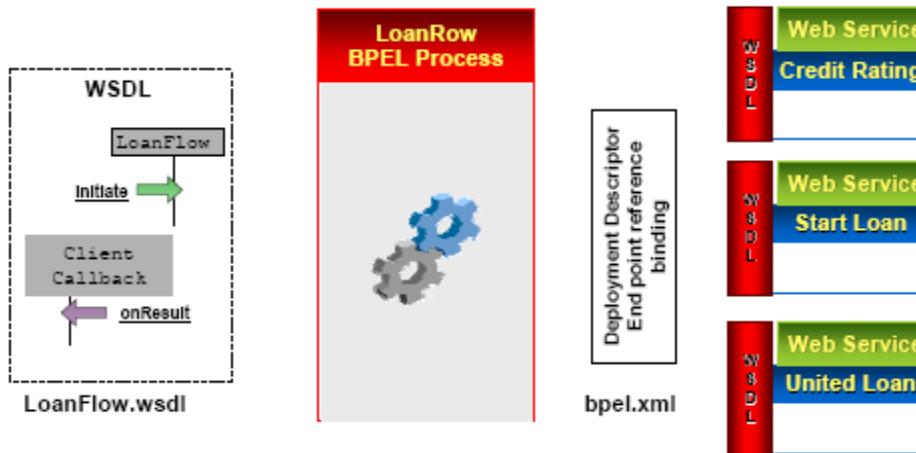
- WSDL description of the interface of the implemented BPEL process



Step 2: create partner dictionary

- **Deliverables:**

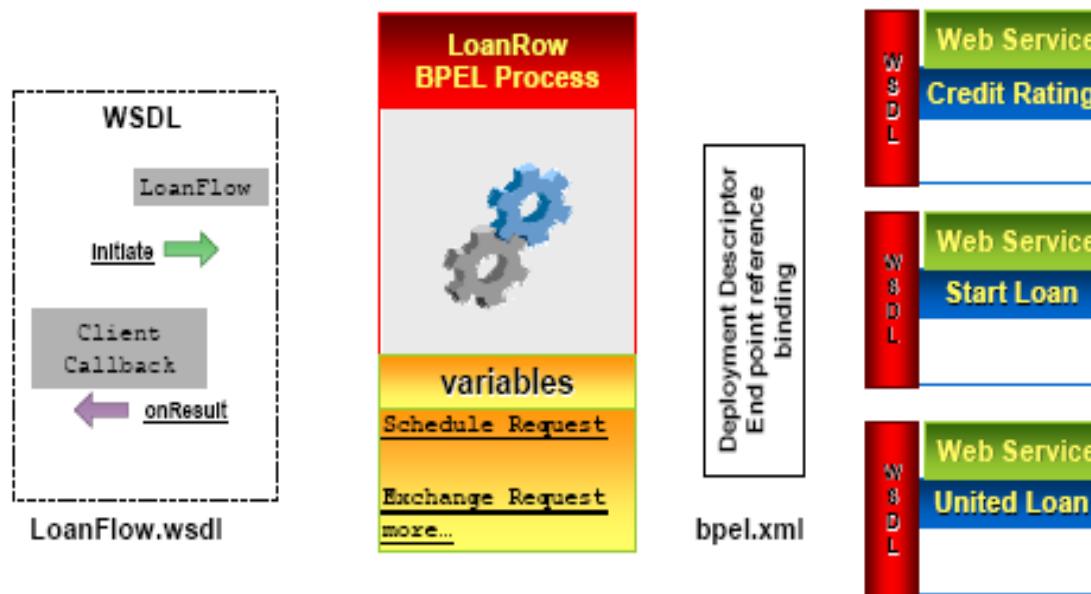
- List of the WSDL of the services that will be invoked as part of the BPEL Process
- For each partner, document the order in which operations will be invoked (choreography)
- Make sure that each use case describes both positive and negative use cases



Step 3: create message and type dictionary

- **Deliverables:**

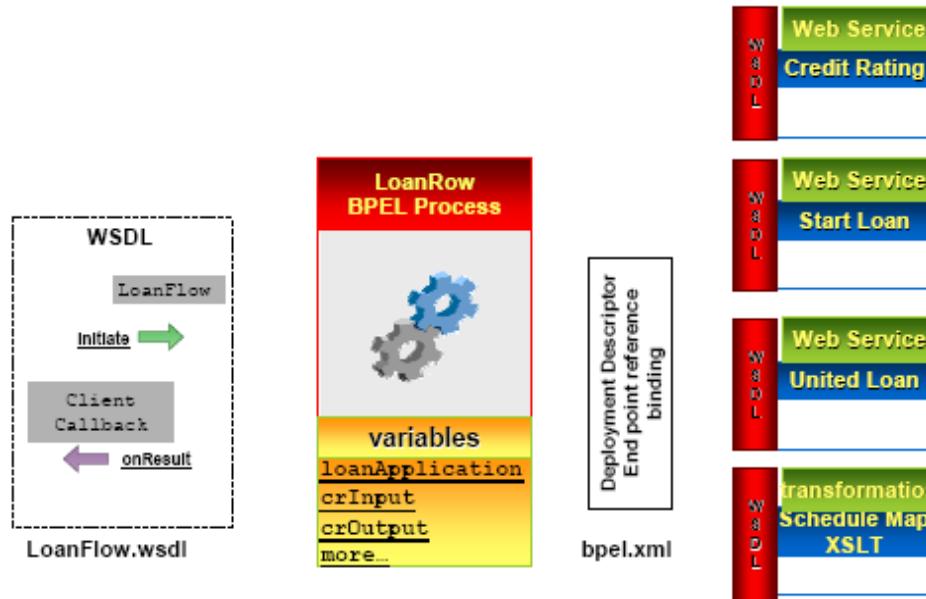
- A set of XML Schema files that describe the type of the messages and XML documents used as part of the BPEL process



Step 4: transformation logic

- **Deliverables:**

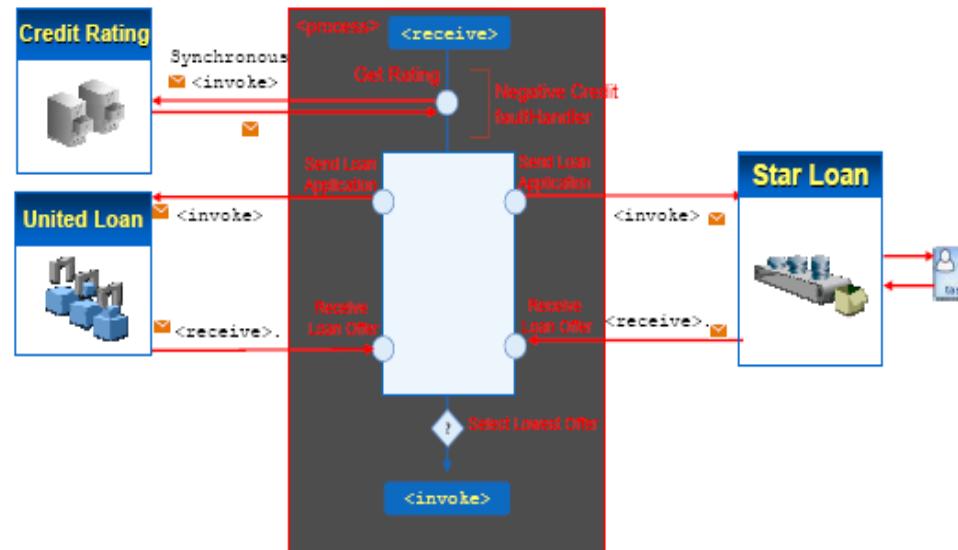
- A set of XSLT and XQuery files that encapsulate mapping information across the various types used in the BPEL process



Step 5: orchestration logic

- Deliverables:

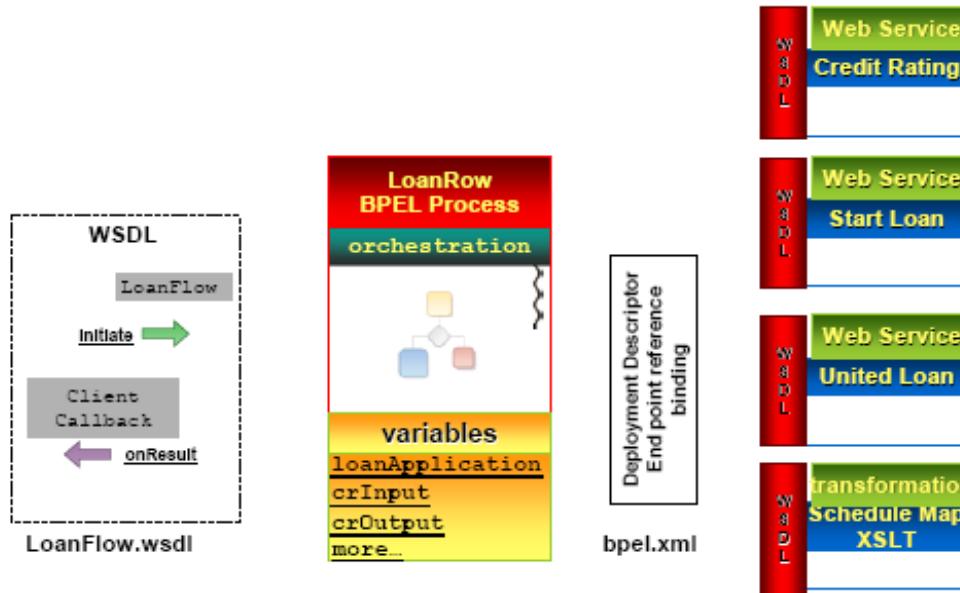
- Implement the workflow that ties the interactions across partners into an end-to-end business process
- Make sure that all exceptions and timeouts are managed properly



Step 6: iterate

- Deliverables:

- Add incrementally new partners
- Keep on improving exception management
- Create automated test and regression framework

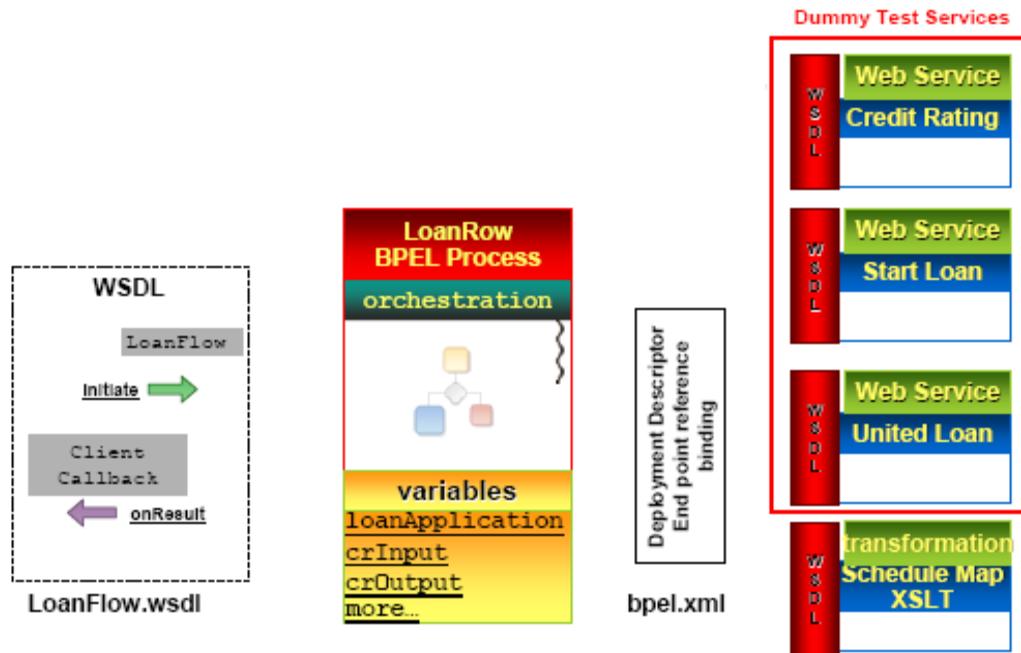


Step 7: create test environment (1)

- **Deliverables:**
 - Implement dummy test services for each end point (could be BPEL or your favorite Web services publishing technology)
 - Create test scenario for each positive and negative use cases

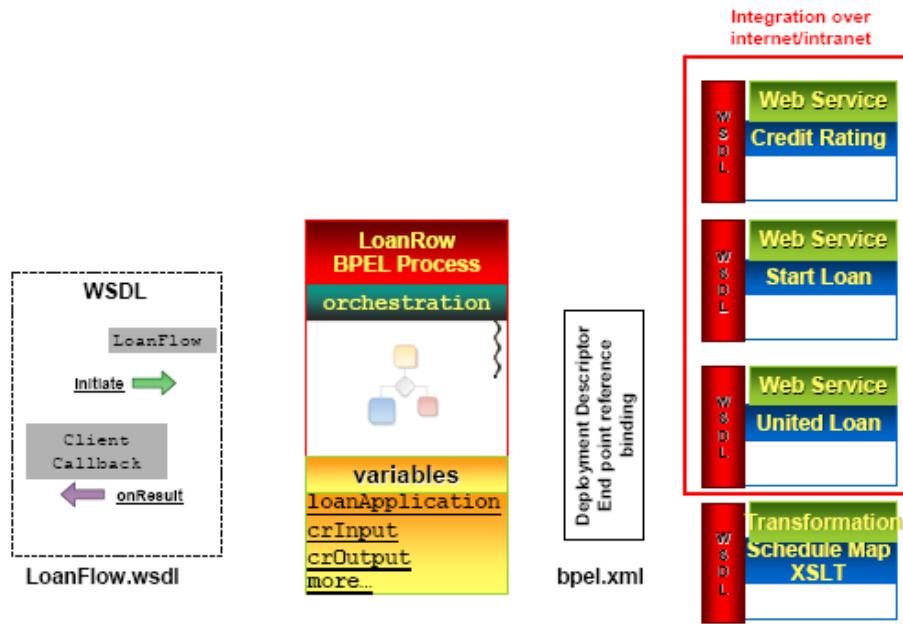
Step 7: create test environment (2)

- Crash test, longevity test (integrity/reliability)
- Performance test, stress test



Step 8: live pilot

- Deliverables:
 - Wire BPEL process to real end points
 - Run regression tests



Step 9: fine-tune operation tasks

- **Deliverables:**
 - Exception Management
 - Integration with Web Service Management Framework
 - Security
 - Archiving

Cross platform

Application Server

- Oracle Application Server
- WebLogic Server
- WebSphere
- JBoss

Database

- Oracle Database
- SQL Server
- Oracle Lite
- Sybase
- Pointbase

IDE

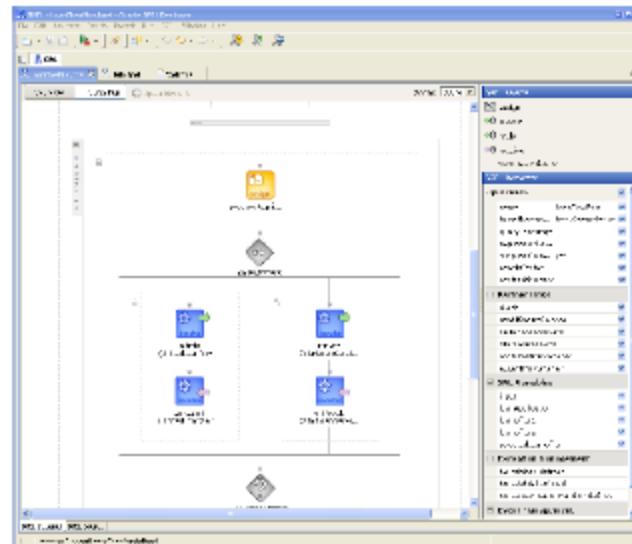
- JDeveloper
- Eclipse

Operating Systems

- Linux
- Window XP/2003
- Solaris
- HP UX
- zOS

BPEL Designer

- Native BPEL Support
- Drag-and-drop process modeler
- UDDI and WSIL service browser
- Visual XPATH editor
- One-click build and deploy

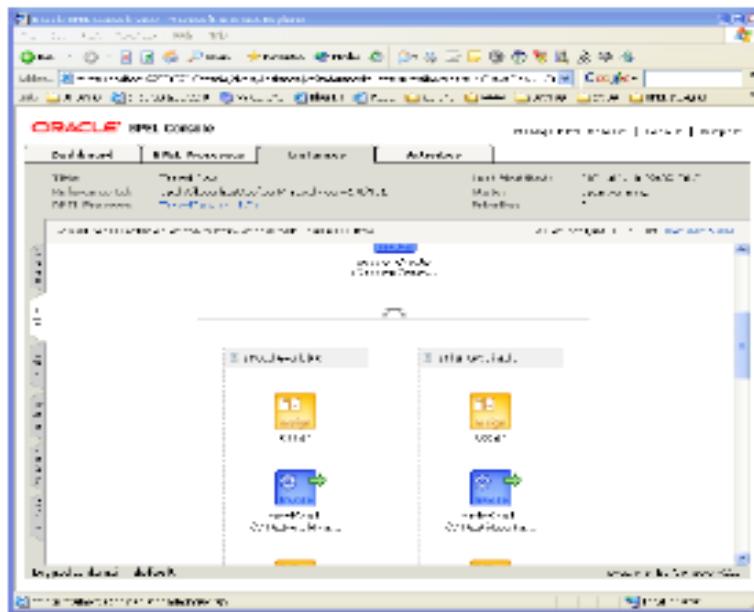


BPEL Console (1)

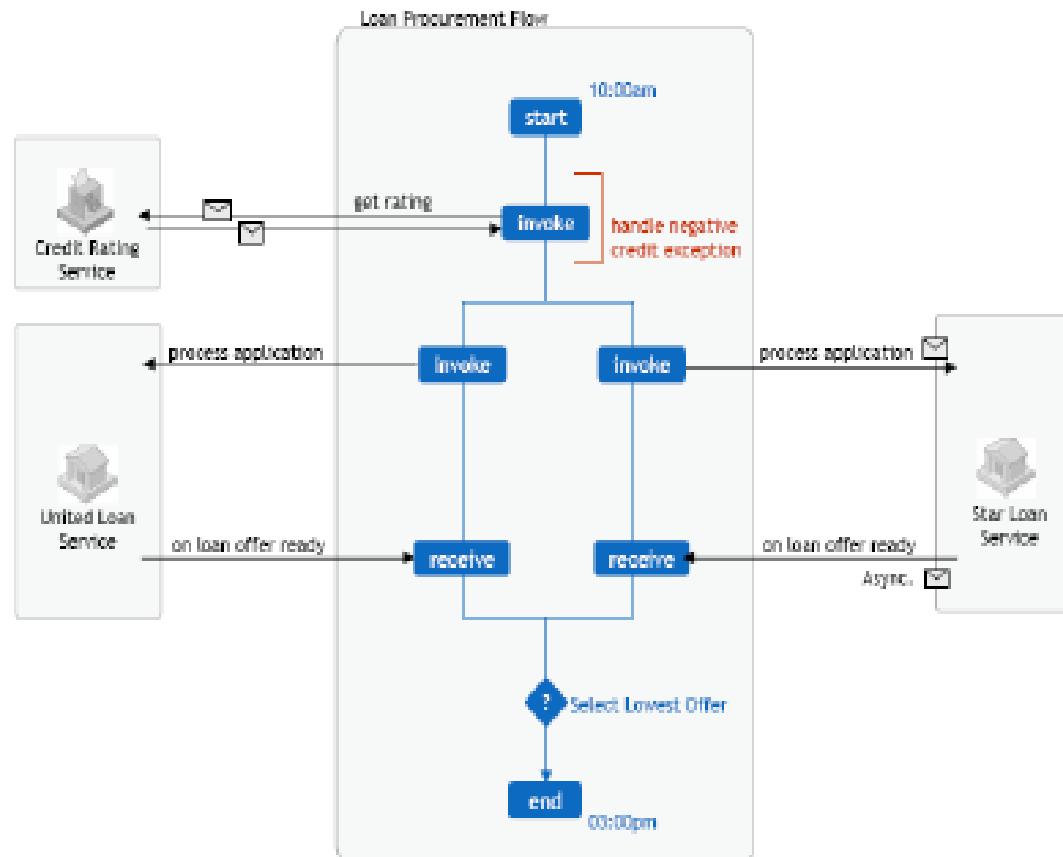
- Key features
 - Visual Monitoring
 - Auditing
 - BPEL Debugging
 - In-flight Instance

BPEL Console (2)

- Administration
- Performance Tuning
- Partitioning/Domains

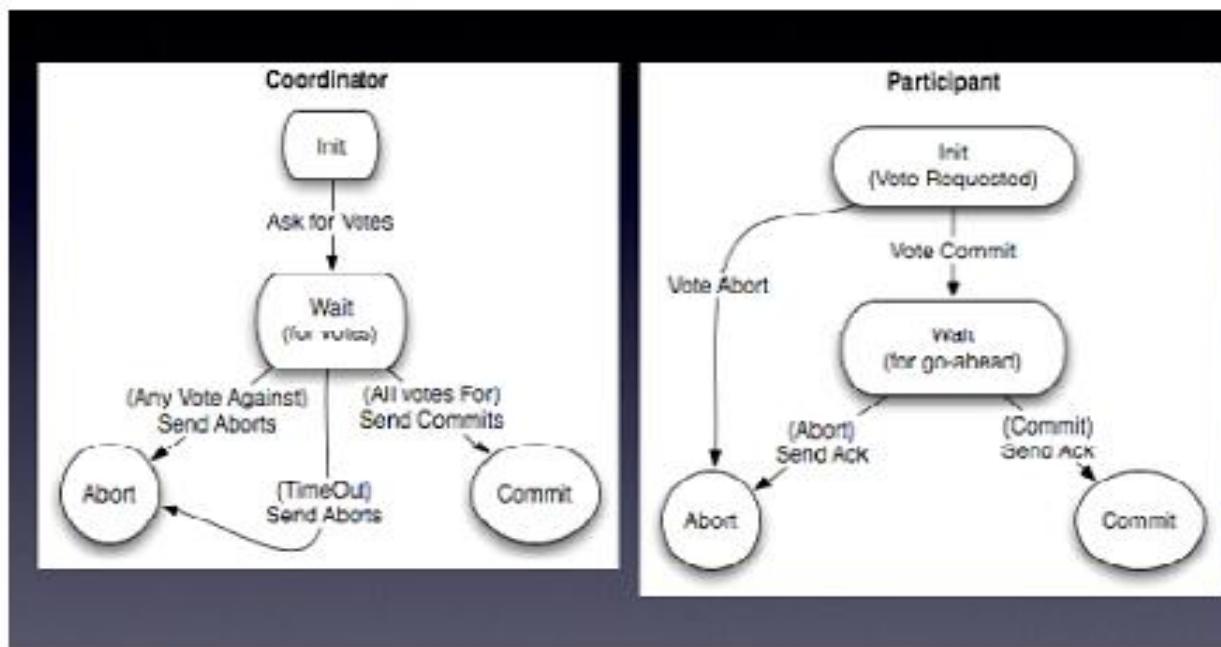


Example: loan service



- The problem
- e.g. in programming: $x = x+1$ and $x = x+y$ in sequence/in parallel
- Databases, Distributed networking
- ACID
 - Atomic
 - Consistent
 - Isolated
 - Durable
 - Traditional transactions

Two phase commit



Extended transactions

- Need for Extended Transactions in Web Services
- Rationale for Non-ACID requirements
 - Long duration, alternate failure handling, selected outcome inclusion, non-blocking across enterprises
- Web Services Protocols and Framework Standards
 - WS-Coordination
 - WS-Atomic Transaction
 - WS-Business Activity

Classic and basic transactions

