

# 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

# Scope

- 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

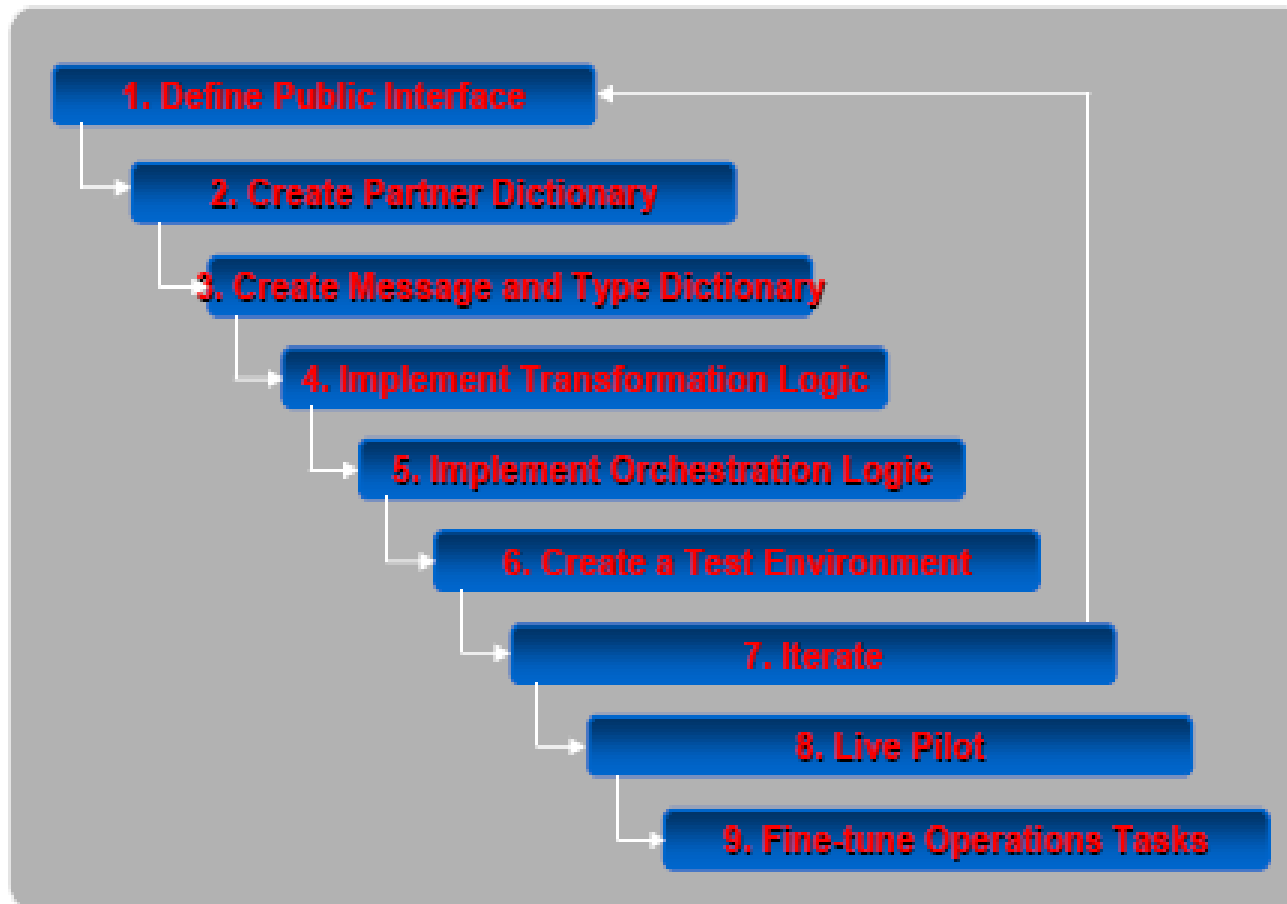
# Correlation (1)

- 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)

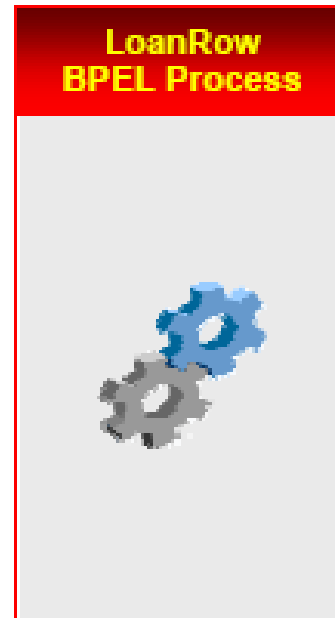
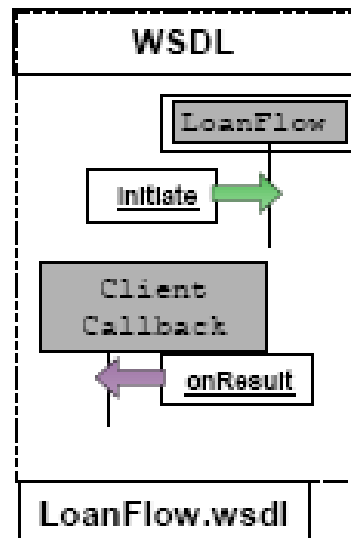
- Non-determinism
- A <pick> activity waits: for a message specified by an <onMessage> child element, where correlation allows a specific process instance to be addressed for an amount of time or until a time, specified with an <onAlarm> child element

# Steps to build business process



# Step 1: define public interface

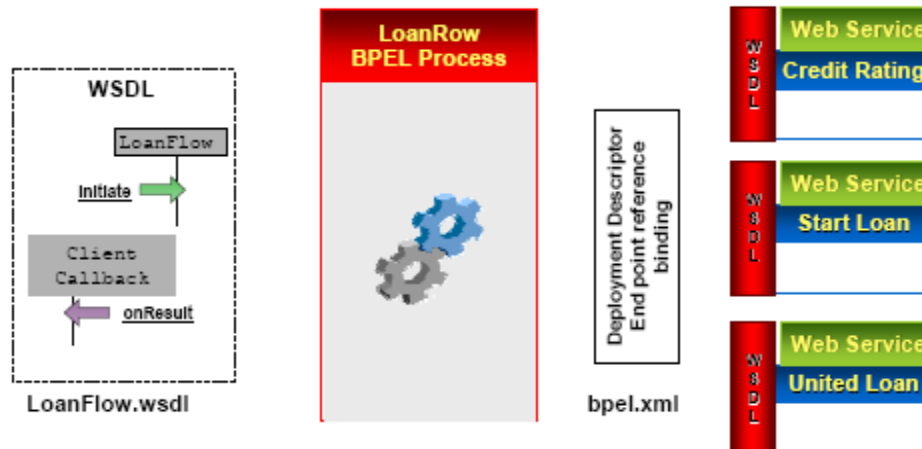
- Deliverables:
  - WSDL description of the interface of the implemented BPEL process



# Step 2: create partner dictionary

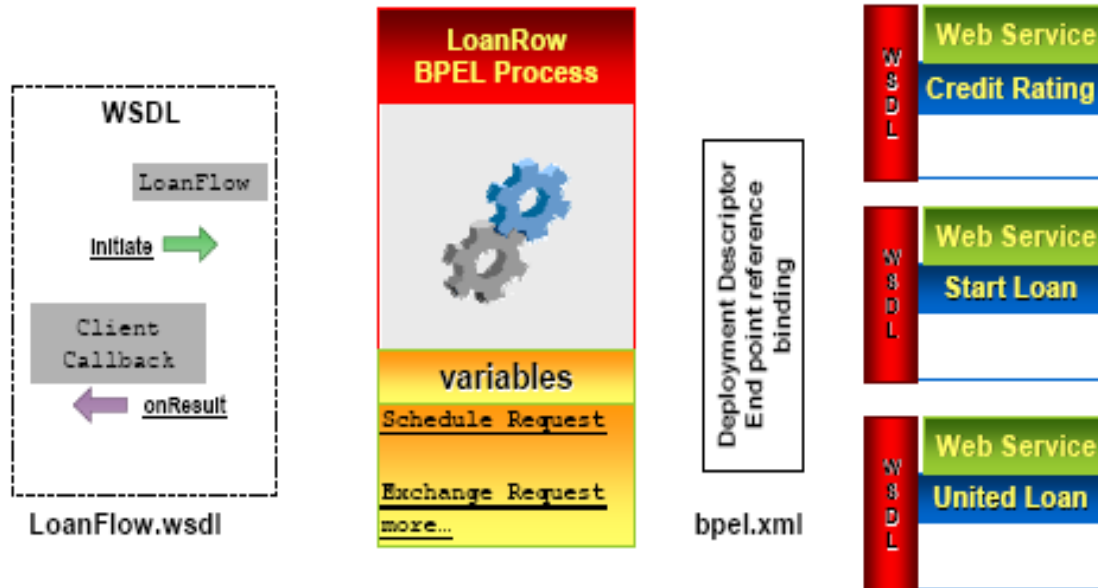
- Deliverables:

- 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

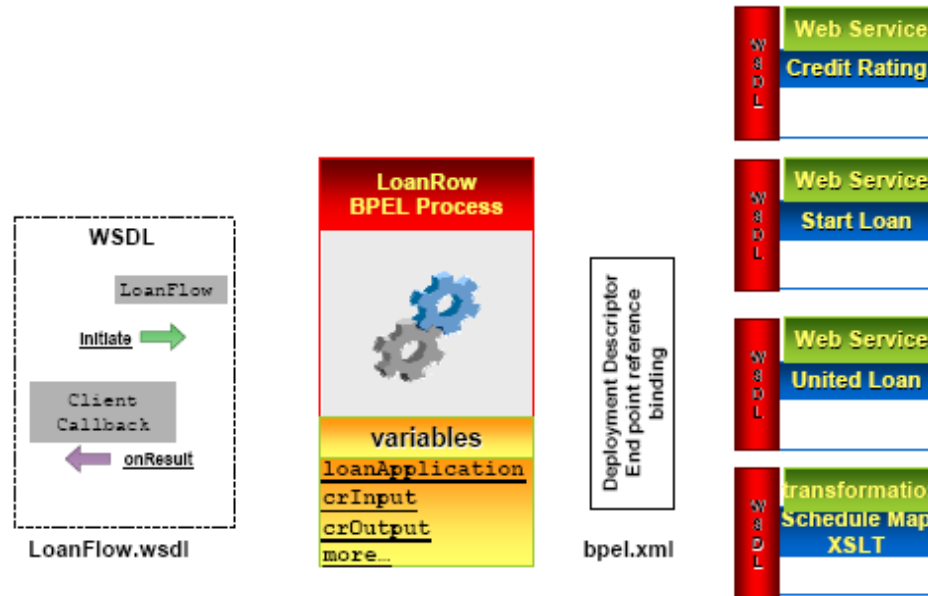




# Step 4: transformation logic

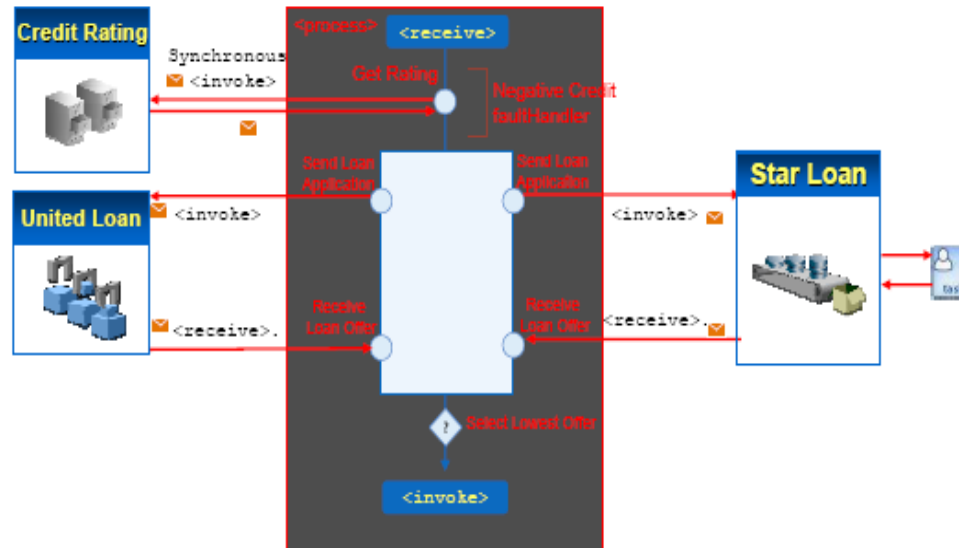
- Deliverables:

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



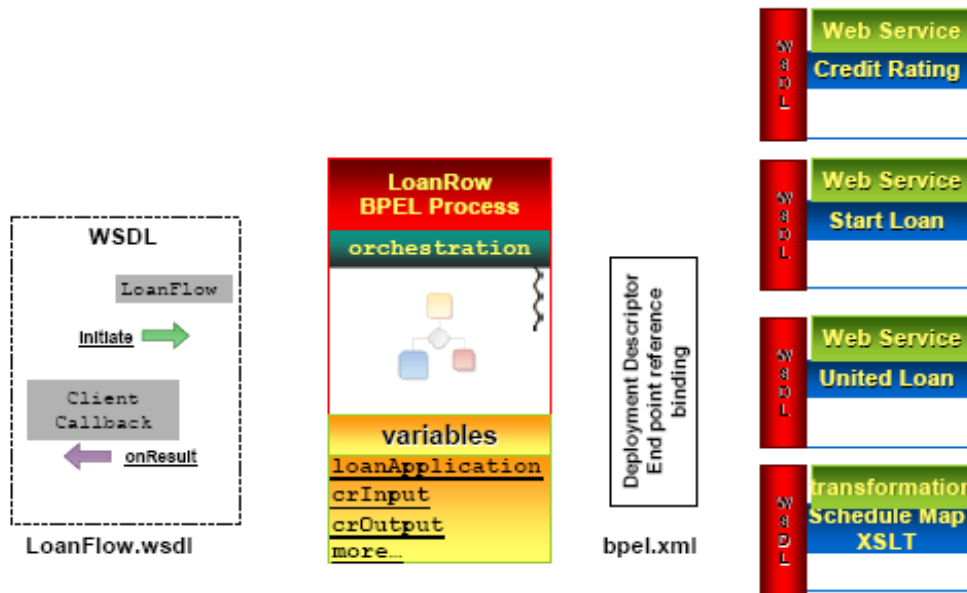
# Step 5: orchestration logic

- 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



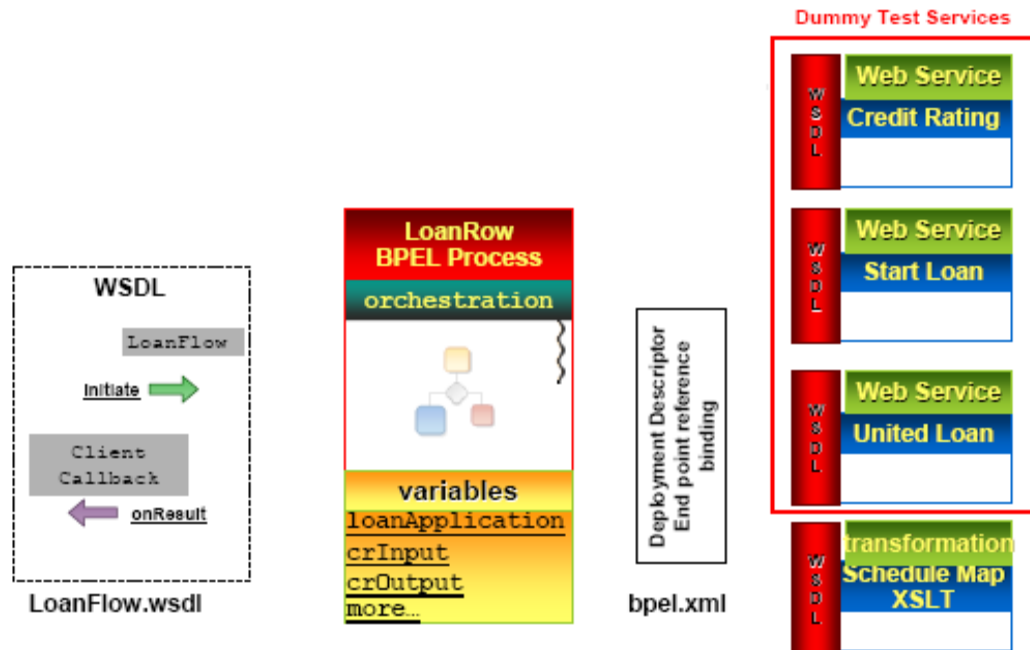
# Step 7: create test environment (1)

- 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

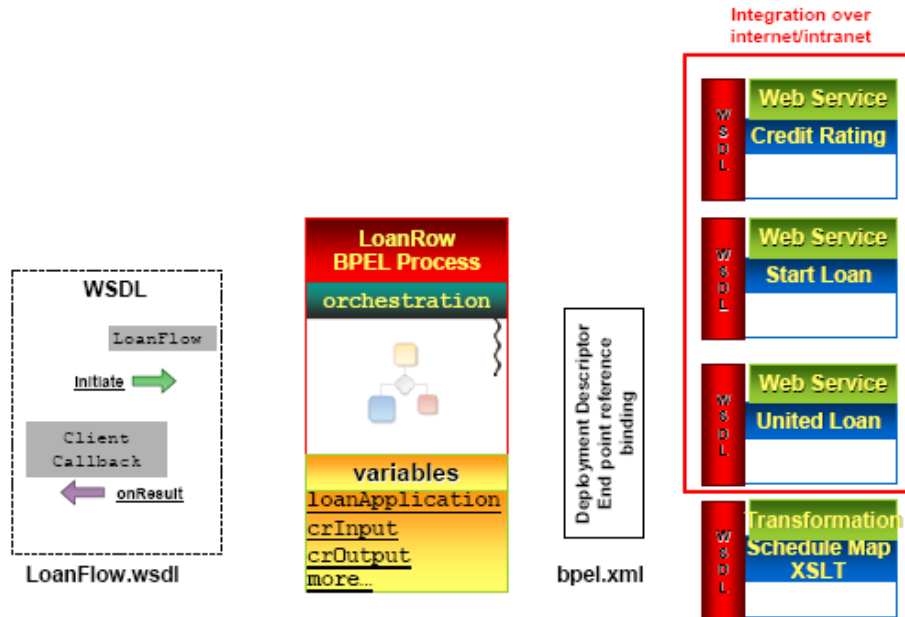
# Step 7: create test environment (2)

- 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

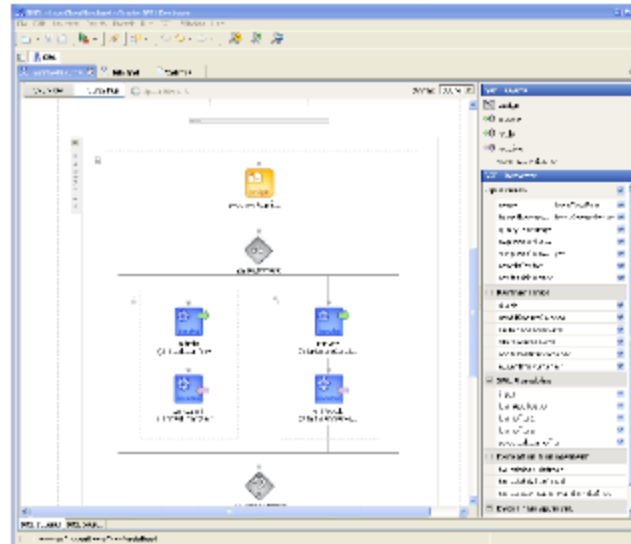
## Operating Systems

- 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

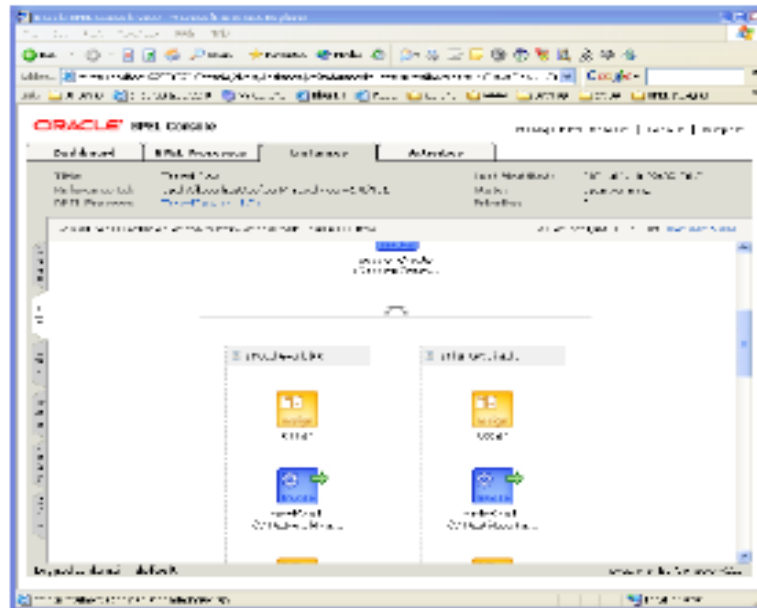


# BPEL Console (1)

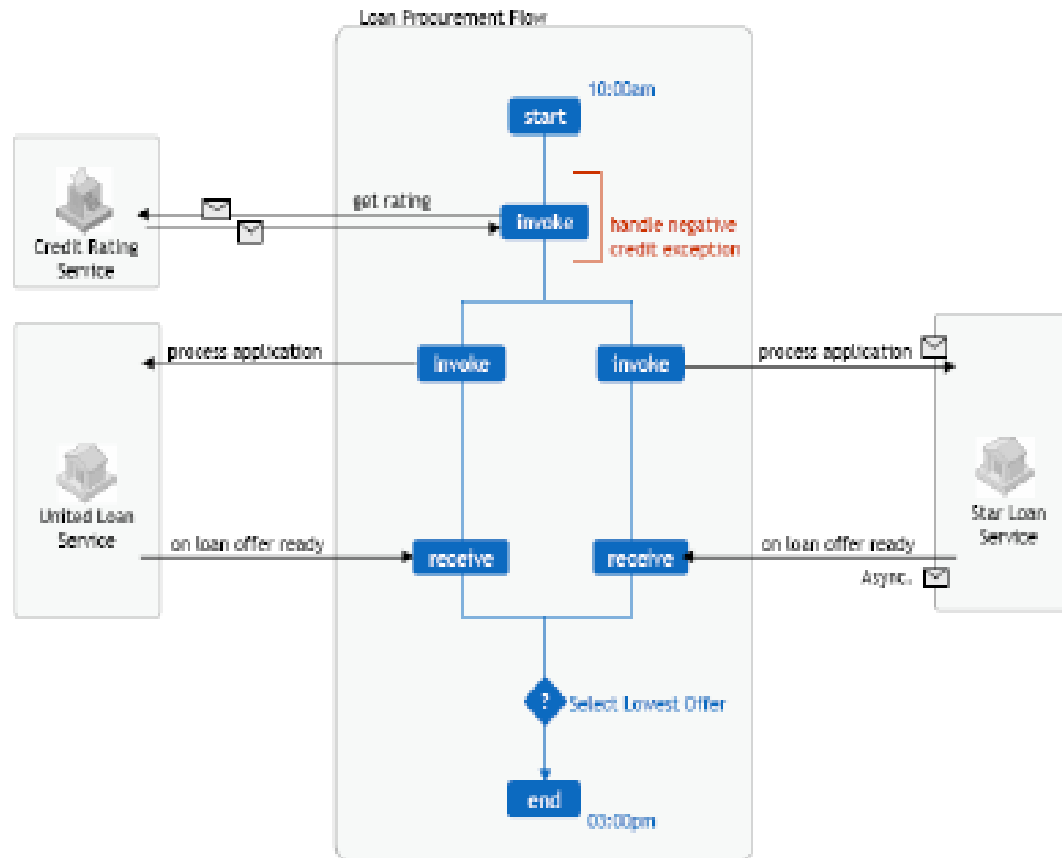
- Key features
  - Visual Monitoring
  - Auditing
  - BPEL Debugging
  - In-flight Instance

# BPEL Console (2)

- Administration
- Performance Tuning
- Partitioning/Domains

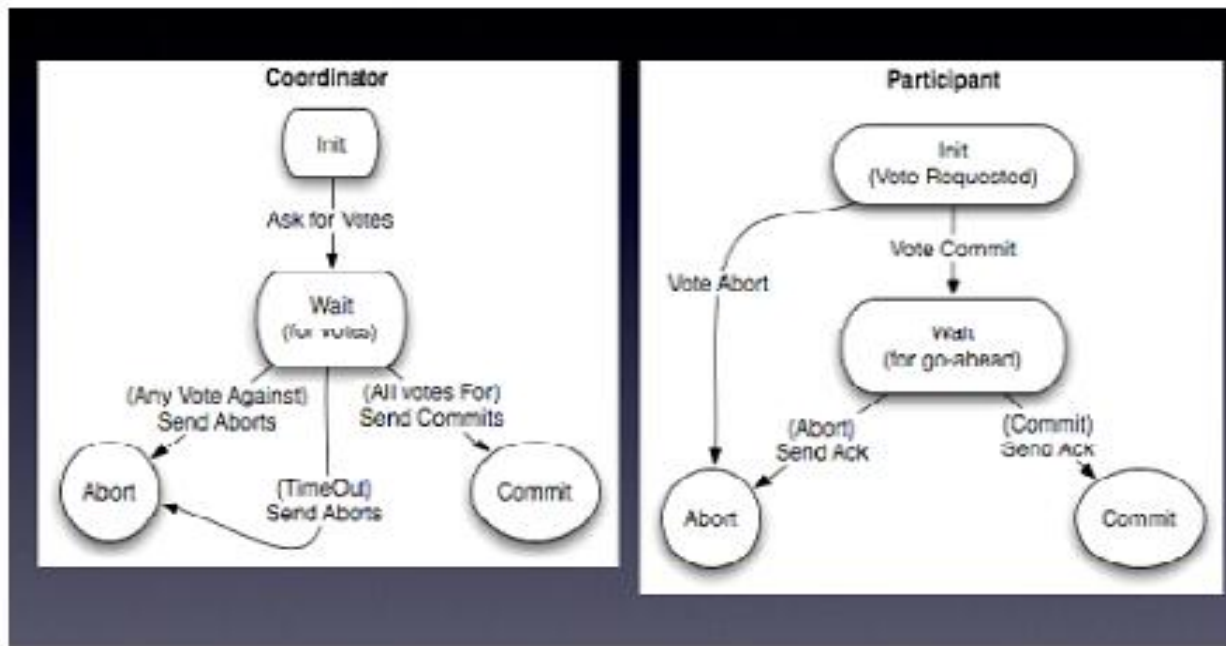


# Example: loan service



- 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

