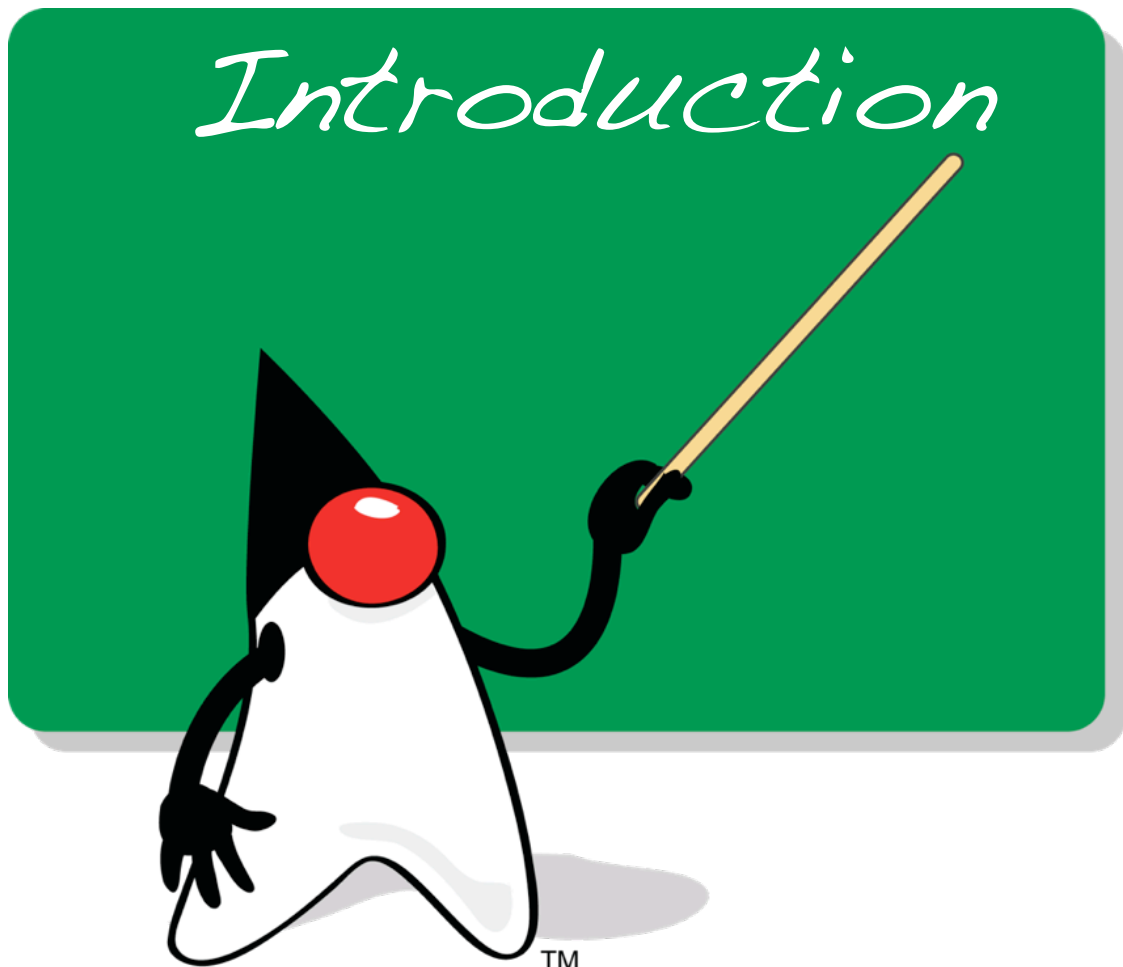


JavaServer Faces

Introduction



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JavaServer Faces

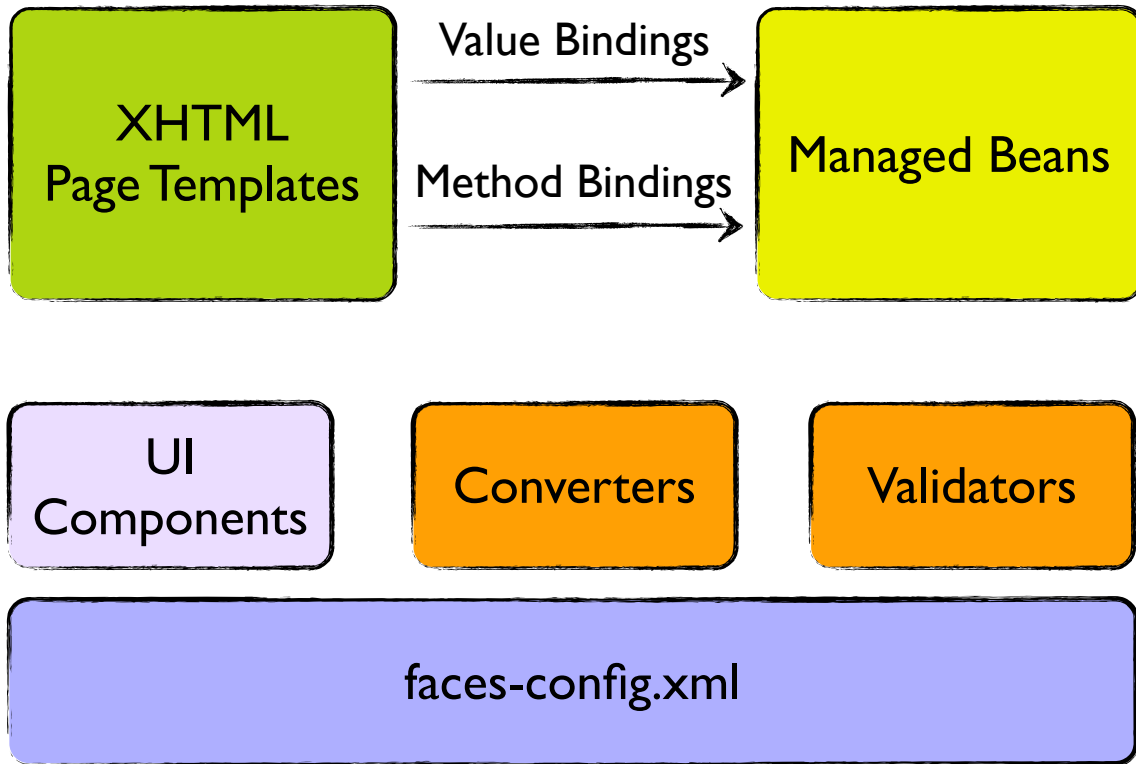
- ❑ Component based web framework
 - Build the UI from standard components
- ❑ Abstraction on the HTTP programming model
 - Event based, Swing like programming model
- ❑ Included in JEE
 - 1.2 -> JEE 5
 - 2.0 -> JEE 6

Architecture

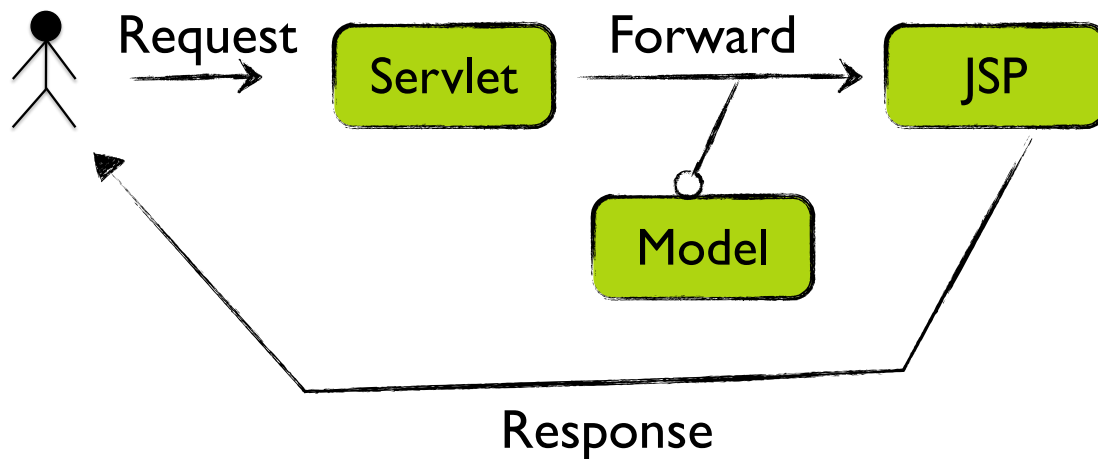
Value Bindings
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Method Bindings
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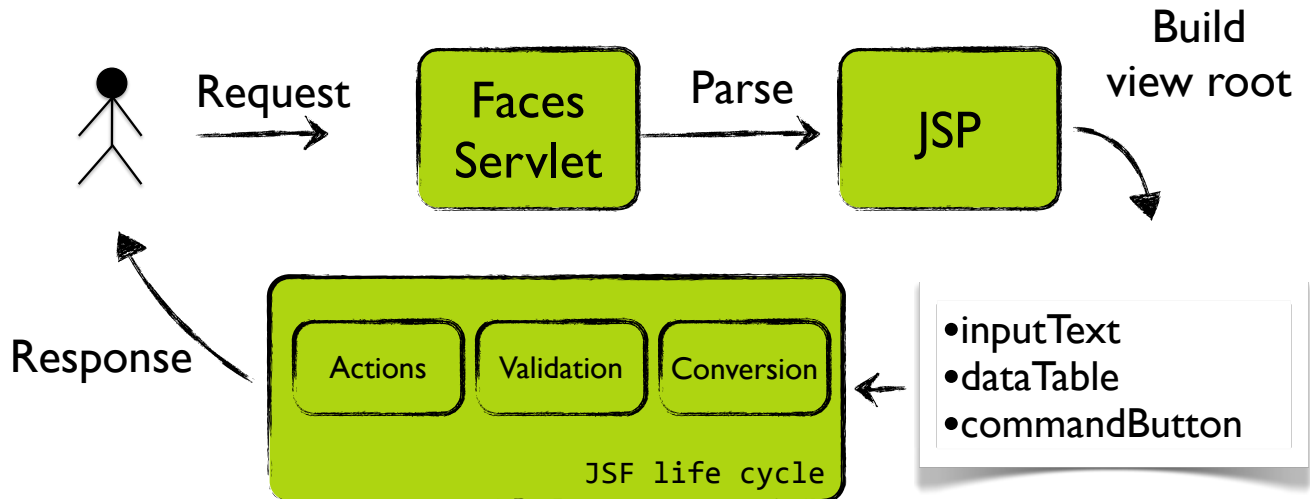
Architecture



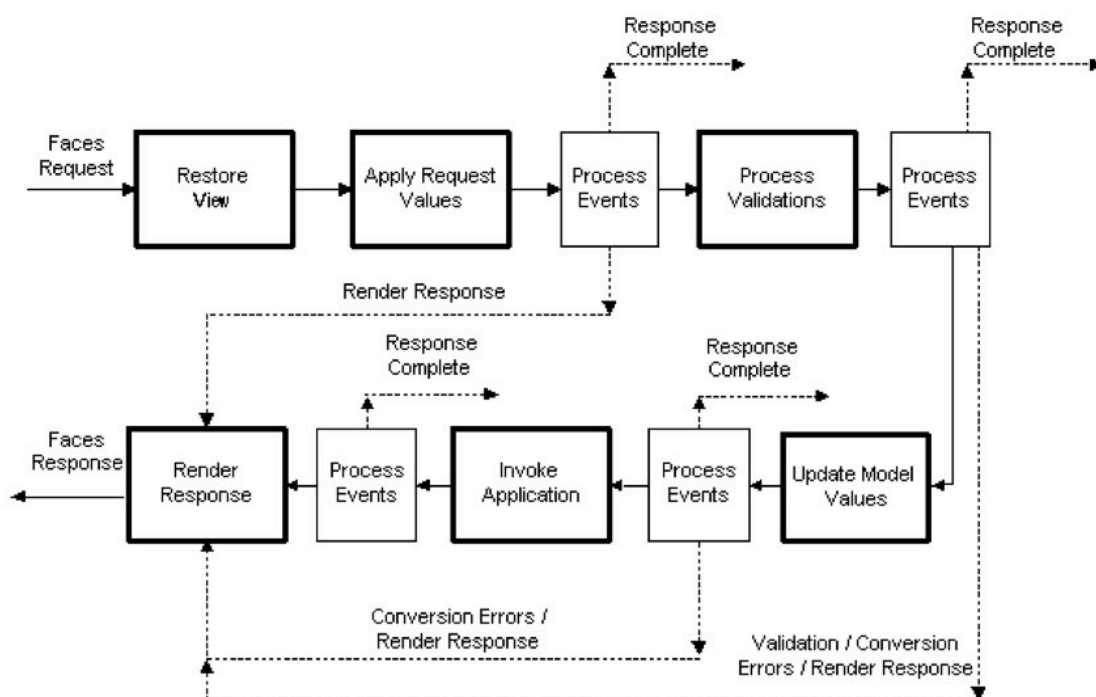
Basic Model 2



JSF



The life cycle



JSF views

- ❑ Definition of the view root
 - JSF will create an in-memory representation
- ❑ Build by JSF components using tags
- ❑ Combine with HTML for layout

JSF view example

```
<f:view>
  <h:form>
    Name: <h:inputText
      value="#{helloBean.name}"/>
    <h:commandButton
      value="Say Hello"
      action="#{helloBean.doSomething}"/>
  </h:form>
</f:view>
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JSF view example

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Necessary to send values back, and to execute commands

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Method
Binding

Managed Beans

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public class HelloBean {
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    public void setName(String name) {
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Managed Beans

Exposes bean
to EL

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Managed Beans

No implements
or extends



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Managed Beans

Needed to
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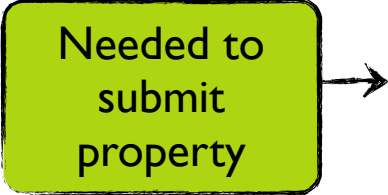
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Managed Beans

Action: must return String or Enum for navigation

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}
```

Managed Bean

- Use @Named in CDI (preferred!)

```
@Named("hello")
public class HelloBean {
```

- Register in faces-config.xml

```
<managed-bean>
  <managed-bean-name>helloBean</managed-bean-name>
  <managed-bean-class>demo.HelloBean</managed-bean-class>
  <managed-bean-scope>request</managed-bean-scope>
</managed-bean>
```

- Use @ManagedBean

```
@ManagedBean(name = "hello")
public class Hello {
```

Action methods

- Used with method binding
 - `action="#{mybean.myAction}"`
 - `action="#{mybean.myAction('arg1')}"`
- Executed after the model is updated
 - See JSF life-cycle
- Must return String or Enum for navigation
 - Null to stay on same page

Value bindings

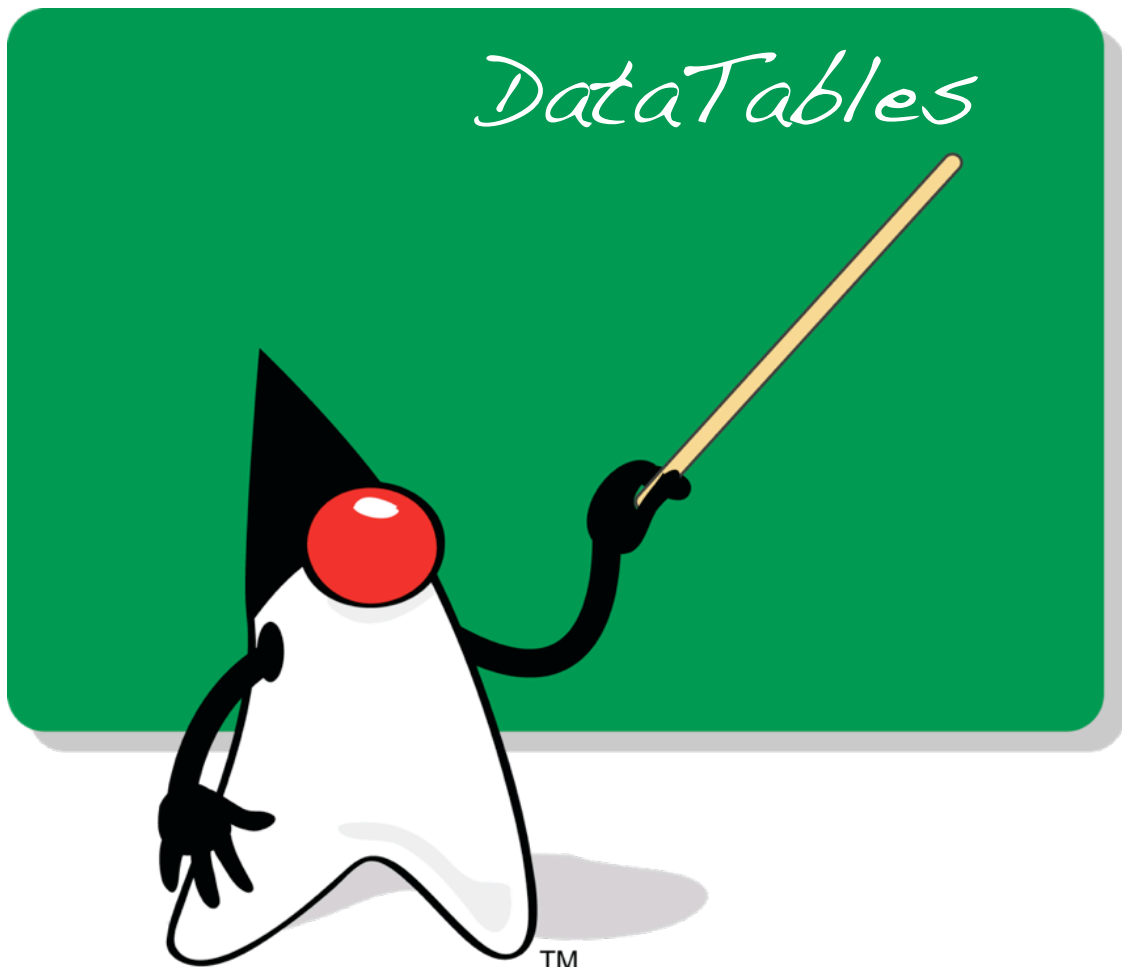
- Bind a field's value to a property
 - use getter and setter
 - setter only required for input components
- `value="#{mybean.myvalue}"`
 - binds to `getValue()` and `setValue(value)`
- `value="#{mybean.myvalue()}"`
 - binds to `myValue()`
 - e.g. `#{bean.name.length()}`

States & Contexts

□ CDI provides the following scopes

- RequestScope
- ConversationScope
- SessionScope
- ApplicationScope

```
@Named("hello")  
@SessionScoped  
public class HelloBean {
```



h:dataTable

- JSF has a simple dataTable component
 - renders to a HTML table
 - renders from different kind of data sets
- No out-of-the-box support for advanced features
 - no paging, sorting, filtering etc.

h:dataTable types

- Array
- java.util.List
- java.sql.ResultSet
- javax.servlet.jsp.jstl.sql.Result
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Don't use JDBC
in the view....

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    <h:outputText value="#{contact.name}"/>
  </h:column>

  <h:column>
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The list to iterate over

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  <h:column> ← for each column
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    <h:outputText value="#{contact.name}"/>
  </h:column>

  <h:column>
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column
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header must be
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Styling tables

- Specify style at different levels
 - whole table (styleClass)
 - headers and footers (headerClass, footerclass)
 - columns (columnClasses)
 - rows (rowClasses)

Styling tables

```
<h:dataTable value="#{contactBean.contacts}" var="contact"
  rowClasses="oddRow,evenRow" headerClass="header">
```

```
<style type="text/css">
  .oddRow {
    background-color: gray;
    color: white;
  }

  .evenRow {

  }

  .header {
    background-color:black;
    color: white;
  }
</style>
```

Name	Email	Phone
Paul Bakker	paulb@infosupport.com	0612345678
Jan Janssen	janj@somedomain.nl	06123455678
Mike de Jong	mjong@somedomain.nl	06123455678
Klaas Versteeg	klaas@somedomain.nl	06123455678
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Column width

□ Specify style for each column

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```
.emailColumn {
  width: 250px;
}

.nameColumn {
  width: 350px;
}

.phoneColumn {
  width: 200px;
  text-align: center;
}
```

```
<h:dataTable value="#{contactBean.contacts}" var="contact"
  styleClass="table"
  columnClasses="nameColumn,emailColumn,phoneColumn"
  rowClasses="oddRow,evenRow"
  headerClass="header">
```


Selecting rows

- Wrap the data in a DataModel
 - Provides access to the selected row
- Handle selection in action method

```
<h:column>  
  <h:commandLink value="#{contact.name}"  
                 action="#{contactBean.select}"/>  
</h:column>
```

Selecting rows

```
private DataModel model = new ListDataModel(contacts);  
  
public DataModel getContacts() {  
    return model;  
}  
  
public String select() {  
    Contact c = (Contact)model.getRowData();  
    System.out.println("Selected: " + c.getName());  
    return null;  
}
```

Paging

```
<h:dataTable value="#{contactBean.contacts}" var="contact"
             first="#{contactBean.first}" rows="2">
```

```
<f:facet name="footer">
  <h:panelGroup>
    <h:commandButton action="#{contactBean.prev}"
                    value="previous"
                    disabled="#{contactBean.first - 2 < 0}"/>
    <h:commandButton action="#{contactBean.next}"
                    value="next"
                    disabled="#{contactBean.first + 2 > contactBean.rows}"/>
  </h:panelGroup>
</f:facet>
```

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previous next

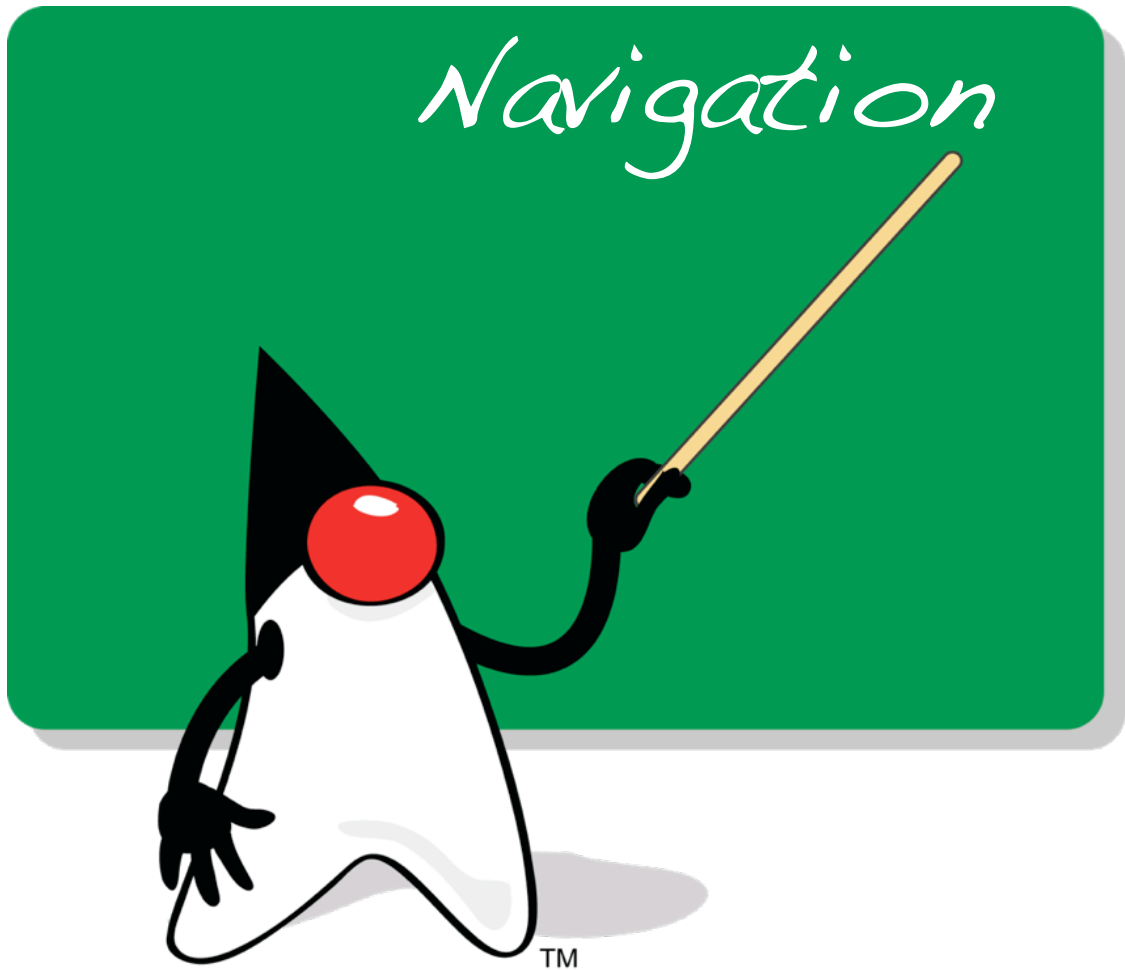
Paging

```
public String prev() {
    first -= 2;

    return null;
}

public String next() {

    first += 2;
    System.out.println("first: " + first);
    return null;
}
```



Navigation

- Action methods trigger navigation
- Implicit navigation
 - use the page name to navigate
- Explicit navigation
 - faces-config.xml navigation rules

Explicit Navigation

- View-to-view navigation as the result of actions
- Configured in faces-config.xml
- Server side forward by default
 - Request scoped state still available on new page
 - Not bookmarkable

Navigation example

- Guess a number example
 - when guessed right: navigate to success.jsp
 - Stay on the same page otherwise

```
public String guess() {  
    //other code  
    if (guessedNr == nr) {  
        return "success";  
    } else {  
        //add FacesMessage  
        return null;  
    }  
}
```

```
public String restart() {  
    //other code  
    return "start";  
}
```

Navigation rules

```
<navigation-rule>
  <from-view-id>*/</from-view-id>
  <navigation-case>
    <from-outcome>success</from-outcome>
    <to-view-id>/numberguess/success.jsp</to-view-id>
  </navigation-case>
  <navigation-case>
    <from-outcome>start</from-outcome>
    <to-view-id>/numberguess/guess.jsp</to-view-id>
  </navigation-case>
</navigation-rule>
```

Implicit navigation

- Return the view-id directly

```
public String doSomething() {
    return "page2";
}
```

- Optionally use a redirect

```
public String doSomething() {
    return "page2?faces-redirect=true";
}
```

Deep linking

- Linking to a page with specific state
 - e.g. `productdetails.jsp?pid=10` shows the detail page of product with `pid=10`
 - very common web functionality
 - enables deep bookmarking

Pulling data before rendering

```
<f:metadata>  
  <f:viewParam name="productId"  
              value="#{productBean.productId}"  
              required="true"/>  
  <f:event type="preRenderComponent"  
          listener="#{productBean.loadProduct}"/>  
</f:metadata>
```

```
<body>  
  #{productBean.product.name}  
</body>
```

Pre-loading data

```
@Model
public class ProductBean {
    private long productId;
    private Product p;

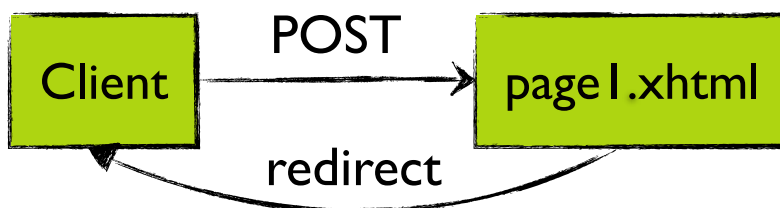
    public void loadProduct() {
        //Retrieve product from DB
        p = new Product();
        p.setName("Product for id: " + productId);
    }

    public long getProductId() {...}

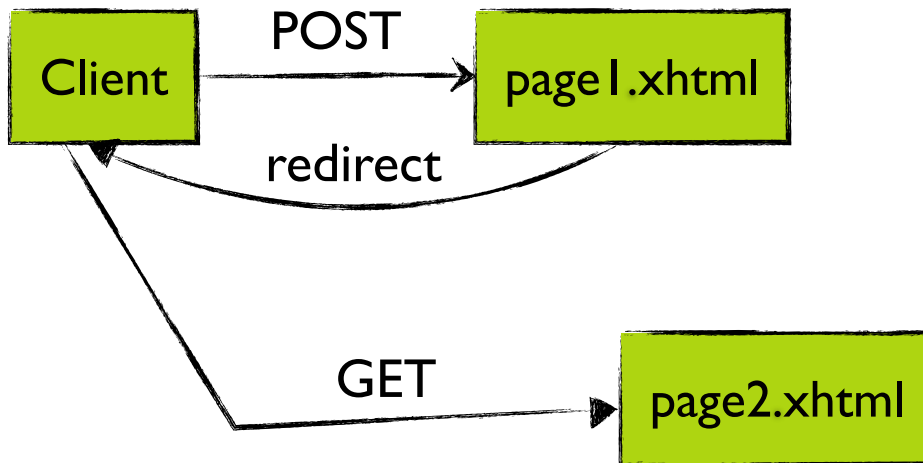
    public void setProductId(long productId) {...}

    public Product getProduct() {...}
}
```

Post-Redirect-Get



Post-Redirect-Get



Post-Redirect-Get

□ State should be passed in the url of the second page

○ e.g. `page2.xhtml?name=Paul`

```
public String doSomething() {  
    return "page2?faces-redirect=true&includeViewParams=true";  
}
```

page2.xhtml

```
<f:metadata>  
    <f:viewParam name="name" value="#{hello.name}"/>  
</f:metadata>  
<body>  
    #{hello.name}
```


Conversion & Validation



Conversion

- Everything in a request is a String
- Convert request params to specific type
- Create String from specific type for rendering

15.4

Request

"15.4"

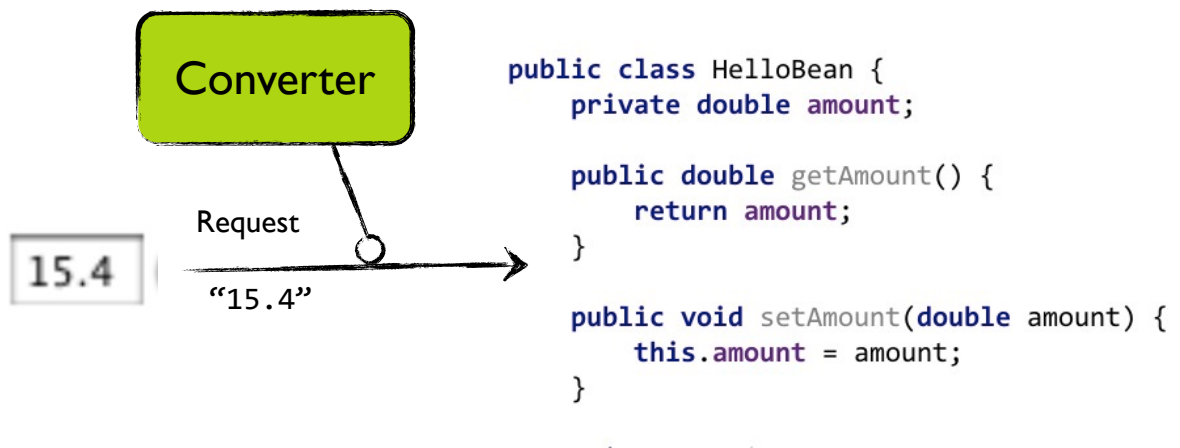
```
public class HelloBean {
    private double amount;

    public double getAmount() {
        return amount;
    }

    public void setAmount(double amount) {
        this.amount = amount;
    }
}
```

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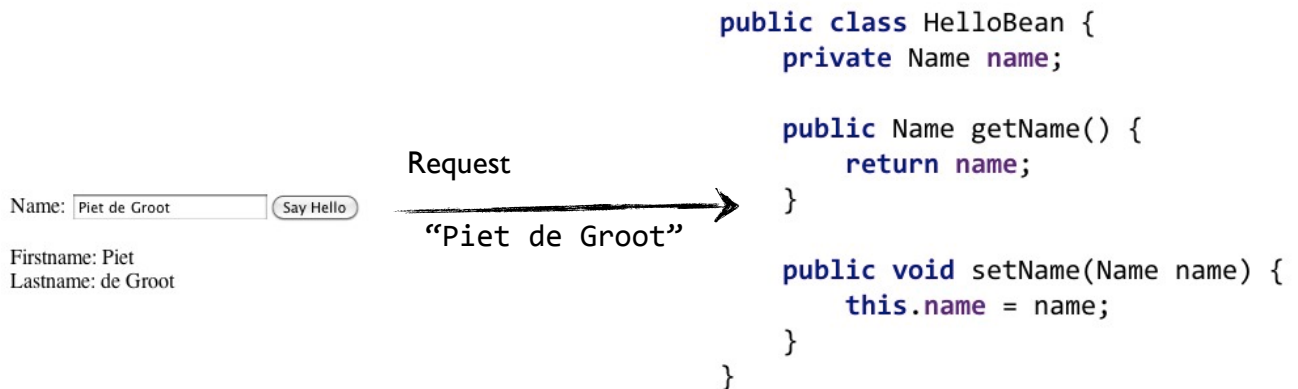
Default converters

- No explicit converter configuration needed for standard types

<code>javax.faces.convert.BigDecimalConverter</code>
<code>javax.faces.convert.BigIntegerConverter</code>
<code>javax.faces.convert.BooleanConverter</code>
<code>javax.faces.convert.ByteConverter</code>
<code>javax.faces.convert.CharacterConverter</code>
<code>javax.faces.convert.DateTimeConverter</code>
<code>javax.faces.convert.DoubleConverter</code>
<code>javax.faces.convert.FloatConverter</code>

Custom Converters

- Use custom types on managed bean



Custom Converters (2)

The complex type "Name"

```
public class Name {  
    private String firstname;  
    private String lastname;  
  
    //Getters  
    //Setters
```

Custom Converters (3)

Input

```
Name: <h:inputText  
  value="#{helloConverterBean.name}">  
  <f:converter converterId="nameConverter"/>  
</h:inputText>
```

Output

```
<h:outputText  
  value="Firstname: #{helloConverterBean.name.firstname}"  
  rendered="#{not empty helloConverterBean.name}"/> <br/>  
<h:outputText  
  value="Lastname: #{helloConverterBean.name.lastname}"  
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Custom
Converter



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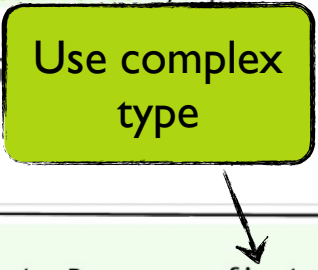
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Use complex
type



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Writing a converter

- Implement the `javax.faces.Converter` interface
 - `getAsObject` (from String to object)
 - `getAsString` (from object to String)
- Annotate `@FacesConverter`
- Throw `ConverterException` if conversion fails

NameConverter

```
@FacesConverter("nameConverter")
public class NameConverter implements Converter{

    public Object getAsObject(FacesContext facesContext,
                             UIComponent uiComponent, String s) {
        Pattern p = Pattern.compile("(\\S+) (.*)");
        Matcher m = p.matcher(s);
        if(!m.matches()) {
            throw new ConverterException(new FacesMessage("Not a valid name"));
        }

        Name name = new Name(m.group(1), m.group(2));
        return name;
    }

    public String getAsString(FacesContext facesContext,
                              UIComponent uiComponent, Object o) {
        Name name = (Name)o;

        return name.getFirstname() + " " + name.getLastname();
    }
}
```

Validation

- Validate if an input value is acceptable
 - e.g. minimum of 3 characters
 - between 18 and 65
- Validation happens after conversion
- JSF integrates with Bean Validation

Specifying constraints

```
public class Person {  
    @NotNull  
    @Size(min = 2, message = "{demo.person.name.Size}")  
    private String firstname;  
  
    @NotNull  
    private String lastname;
```

ValidationMessages.properties

```
demo.person.name.Size=A name should at least be {min} characters
```

Validating fields

- No explicit required="true" required to validate empty fields
- Validation triggered automatically
- Only fields that are on the page are validated

```
<h:inputText value="#{helloBean.person.firstname}">  
    <f:validateBean/>  
</h:inputText>
```


Validation Groups

- ❑ Sometimes only part of the constraints should be checked
 - e.g. in a wizard
- ❑ Can be achieved using Validation Groups
- ❑ Not often necessary in JSF
 - only fields on a page are validated

Validation Groups

```
@NotEmpty(groups = {Default.class, FullCheck.class})  
private String firstname;  
  
@NotEmpty(groups = {Default.class, FullCheck.class})  
private String lastname;  
  
@Email(groups = FullCheck.class) @NotEmpty(groups = FullCheck.class)  
private String email;
```

```
public interface FullCheck {  
}
```

```
<f:validateBean validationGroups="demo.validation.FullCheck">
```

Custom validators

```
@NoIllegalCharacters(  
    characters = "Q",  
    message = "Q is not allowed")  
private String firstname;
```

```
@Constraint(validatedBy = NoIllegalCharactersValidator.class)  
public @interface NoIllegalCharacters {  
    String message() default "Illegal characters found";  
    Class<?>[] groups() default {};  
    Class<? extends Payload>[] payload() default {};  
    String[] characters() default {};  
}
```

Validator implementation

```
public class NoIllegalCharactersValidator  
    implements ConstraintValidator<NoIllegalCharacters, String> {  
    private String[] chars;  
  
    public void initialize(NoIllegalCharacters noIllegalCharacts) {  
        chars = noIllegalCharacts.characters();  
    }  
  
    public boolean isValid(String s,  
        ConstraintValidatorContext constraintValidatorContext) {  
        for(String c : chars) {  
            if(s.contains(c)) {  
                return false;  
            }  
        }  
        return true;  
    }  
}
```

Programmatic validation

```
ValidatorFactory factory = Validation.buildDefaultValidatorFactory();
Validator validator = factory.getValidator();
Set<ConstraintViolation<Contact>> violations = validator.validate(contact);
FacesContext ctx = FacesContext.getCurrentInstance();

if(violations.size() > 0) {
    for(ConstraintViolation<Contact> violation : violations) {
        ctx.addMessage(null,
            new FacesMessage(
                violation.getPropertyPath() + ": " + violation.getMessage()));
    }
}
```

Multi-field validation

- JSF validation is always about a single component
- Sometimes you need validation over multiple fields
 - e.g. repeat password

Multi-field validation (2)

- Multiple solutions
 - Use local values in validator mechanism (values are not set)
 - validate in action method (values are set)
not recommended

Using a validator method

- No lookup required

```
public class Registration {
    private String password;
    private UIInput passwordInput;

    public void validatePasswords(...) {
        if (!passwordInput.getLocalValue().equals(o)) {
            throw new ValidatorException(
                new FacesMessage("Passwords don't match"));
        }
    }
}
```

Using a validator method (2)

- Need to set the binding property

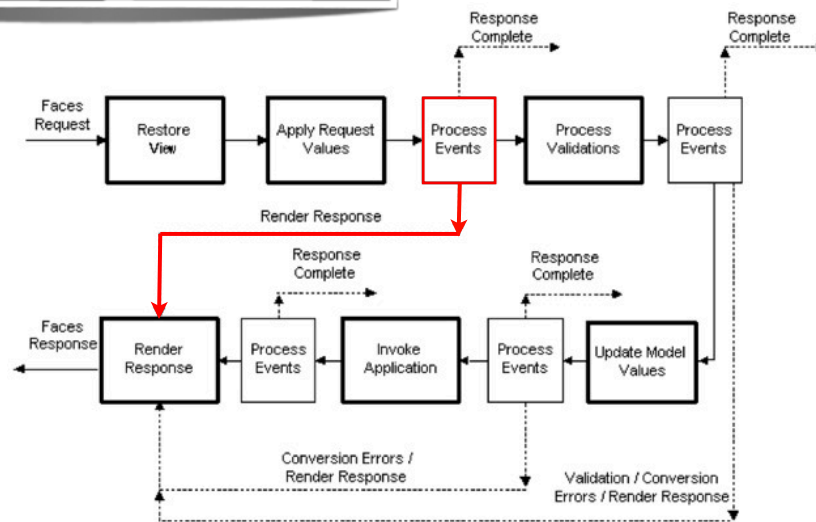
```
Password: <h:inputSecret id="password"
           value="#{registration.password}"
           binding="#{registration.passwordInput}"/><br/>
Repeat: <h:inputSecret
        required="true"
        validator="#{registration.validatePasswords}">
</h:inputSecret><br/>
```

Immediate

- Sometimes conversion and validation should be skipped to execute an action
 - e.g. a cancel button
- Use the immediate property
 - executes action after Apply Request Values phase
 - calls Render Response phase

Immediate example

```
<h:commandButton value="Cancel"  
  action="cancel"  
  immediate="true"/>
```



SelectOne &
SelectMany



Select, radio and check boxes

- Different ways to render choices
 - either single or multiple selection possible
- Items rendered from SelectItem
 - can be created from a Map
- Value is the selected item(s)

h:selectOneListbox

```
<h:selectOneMenu value="#{selectBean.language}" onchange="submit()">  
  <f:selectItems value="#{selectBean.items}"/>  
</h:selectOneMenu>
```

Selected value: <h:outputText value="#{selectBean.language}"/>



h:selectOneListbox

Selected item

Type must be the Map's value type

```
private String language;  
  
public String getLanguage() {  
    return language;  
}  
  
public void setLanguage(String language) {  
    this.language = language;  
}
```

Items from map

```
public Map<String, Object> getItems() {  
    Map<String, Object> items = new HashMap<String, Object>();  
    items.put("Java", "Java");  
    items.put("Perl", "Perl");  
    return items;  
}
```

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    return items;  
}
```

```
private String language;  
  
public String getLanguage() {  
    return language;  
}  
  
public void setLanguage(String language) {  
    this.language = language;  
}
```

value

label

items

return

items

language

value

language

items

return

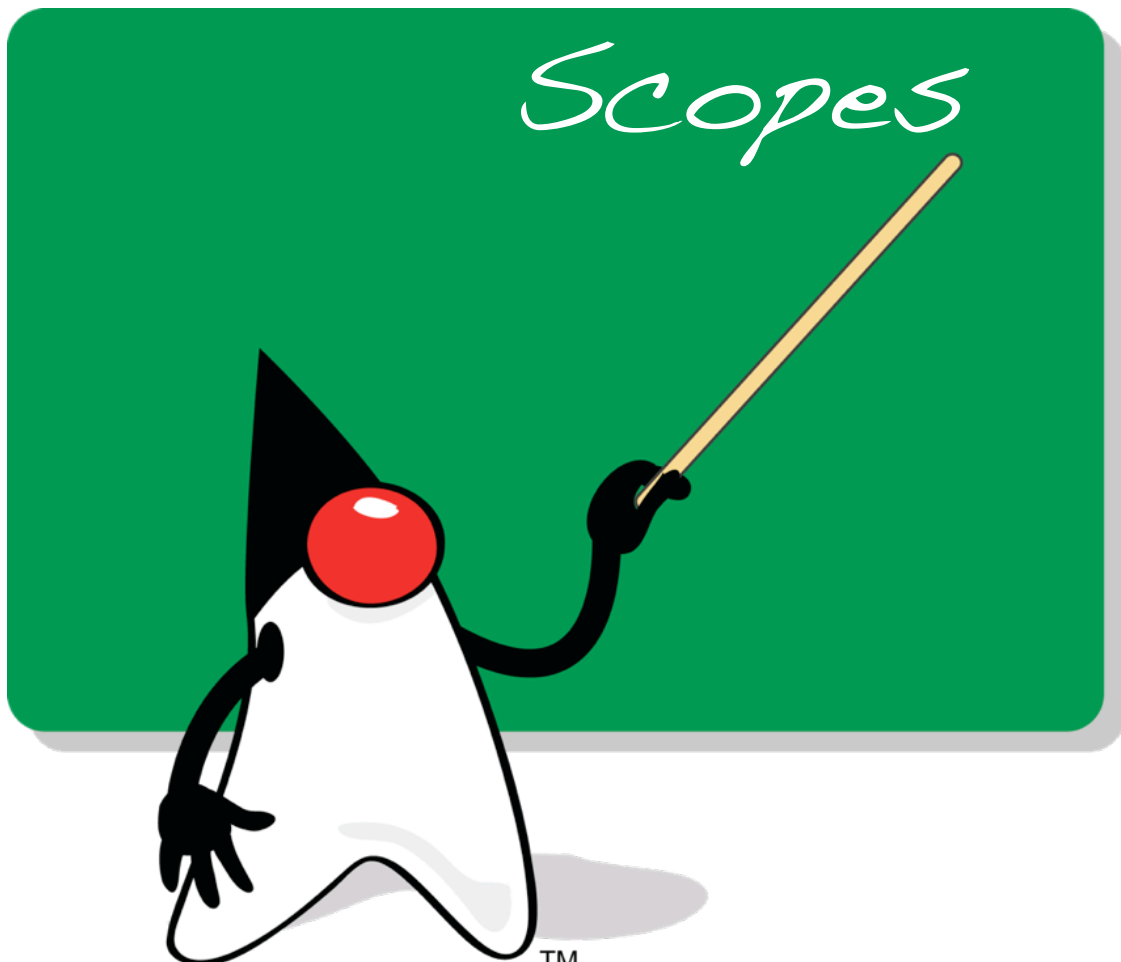
items

h:selectManyCheckbox

```
public SelectItem[] getFrameworks() {  
    SelectItem[] items = new SelectItem[5];  
    items[0] = new SelectItem(0, "JSF");  
    items[1] = new SelectItem(1, "Wicket");  
    ...  
    return items;  
}
```

JSF Wicket Spring MVC Struts Tapestry

```
private int[] multiframeworks;
```



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State

- A managed bean has a scope
 - request, session or application
- Prefer request scope
 - Not possible for multi request/page scenarios
 - Not possible after redirect
- Don't forget to clean-up session scope

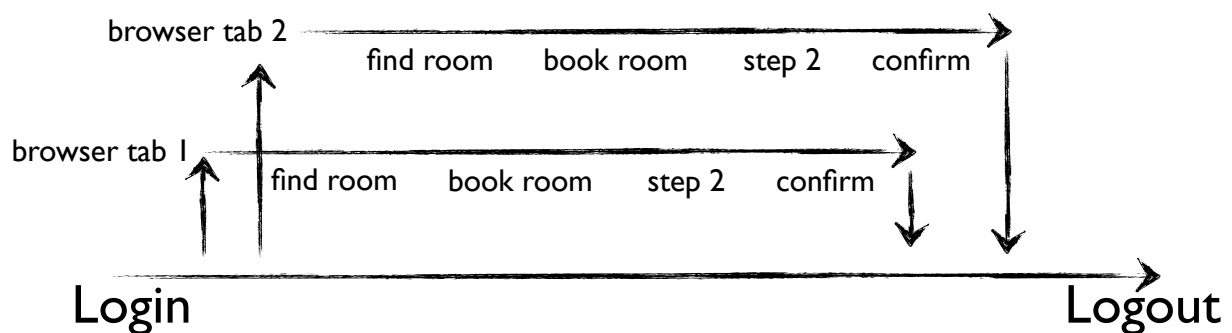
Remove bean from session

- Session scoped beans stay in the session until the session is destroyed
 - Potential high memory footprint
- Remove beans from sessions when possible

```
FacesContext.getCurrentInstance().  
    getExternalContext().  
    getSessionMap().  
    remove("nameofbean");
```

Conversation scope

- Multi-request scope *within* a session
- Isolated from other conversations
- Defined begin and end point



Conversations

- Each JSF request has an active conversation
 - transient by default - destroyed at the end of the request
- Can be upgraded to long-running

Long running conversation

Conversational bean

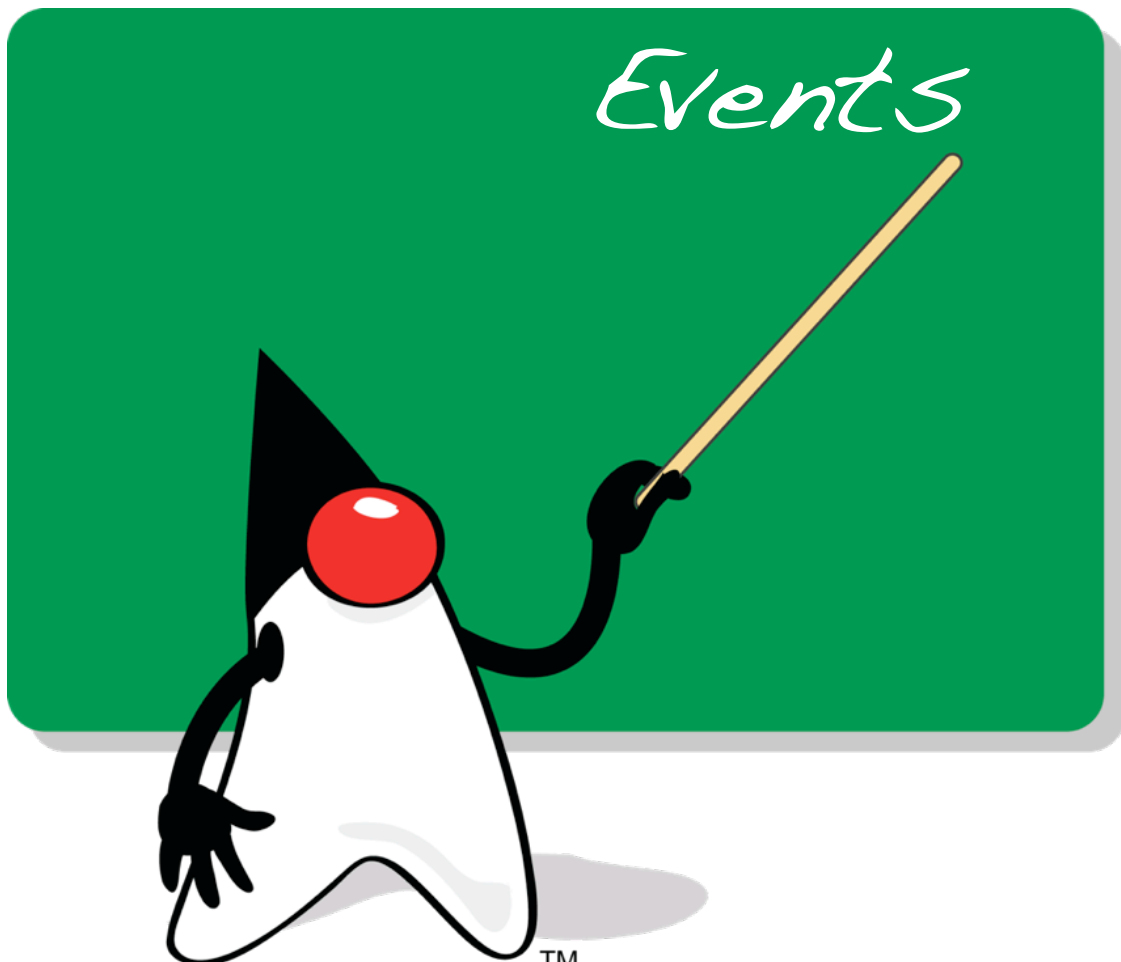
```
@ConversationScoped  
public class Basket implements Serializable {  
  
    @Inject  
    Conversation conversation;  
}
```

Upgrade to long-running

```
if (conversation.isTransient()) {  
    conversation.begin();  
}
```

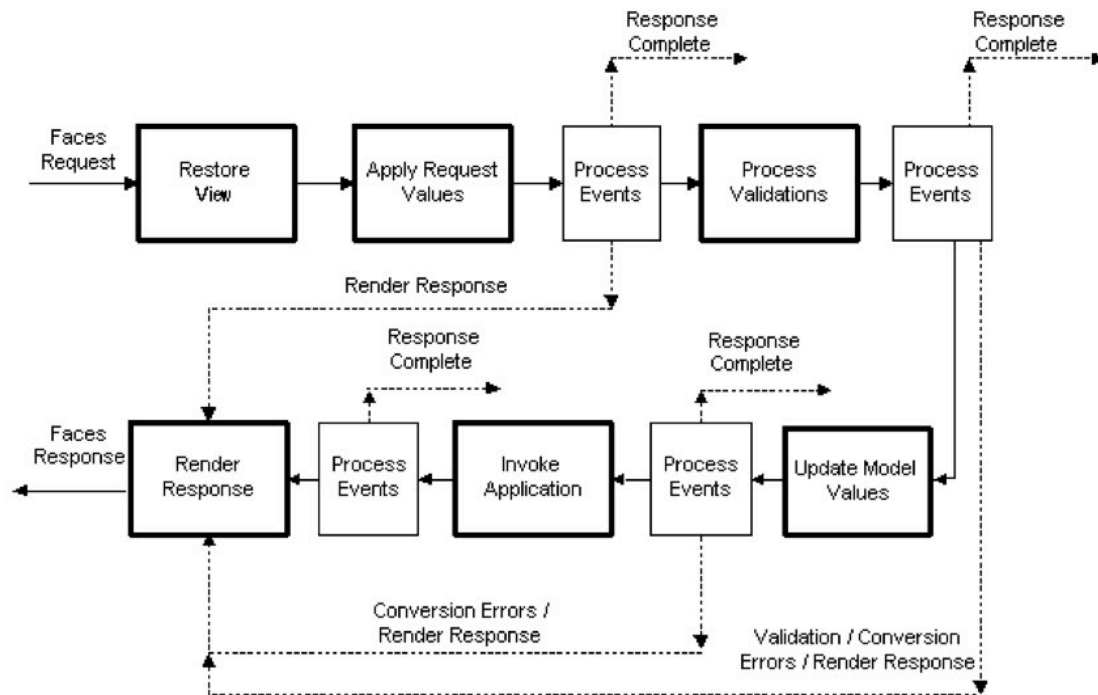
Schedule end of conversation at end of request

```
conversation.end();
```



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The life cycle



PhaseListener

- Execute code before/after a certain phase
- Very useful for debugging and understanding the life-cycle

Register in faces-config.xml

```
<lifecycle>  
  <phase-listener>demo.PhasePrinter</phase-listener>  
</lifecycle>
```

PhaseListener example

```
public class PhasePrinter implements PhaseListener{
    public void afterPhase(PhaseEvent phaseEvent) {
        System.out.println("END OF PHASE " + phaseEvent.getPhaseId());
    }

    public void beforePhase(PhaseEvent phaseEvent) {
        System.out.println("BEGINNING PHASE " + phaseEvent.getPhaseId());
    }

    public PhaseId getPhaseId() {
        return PhaseId.ANY_PHASE;
    }
}
```

Value change events

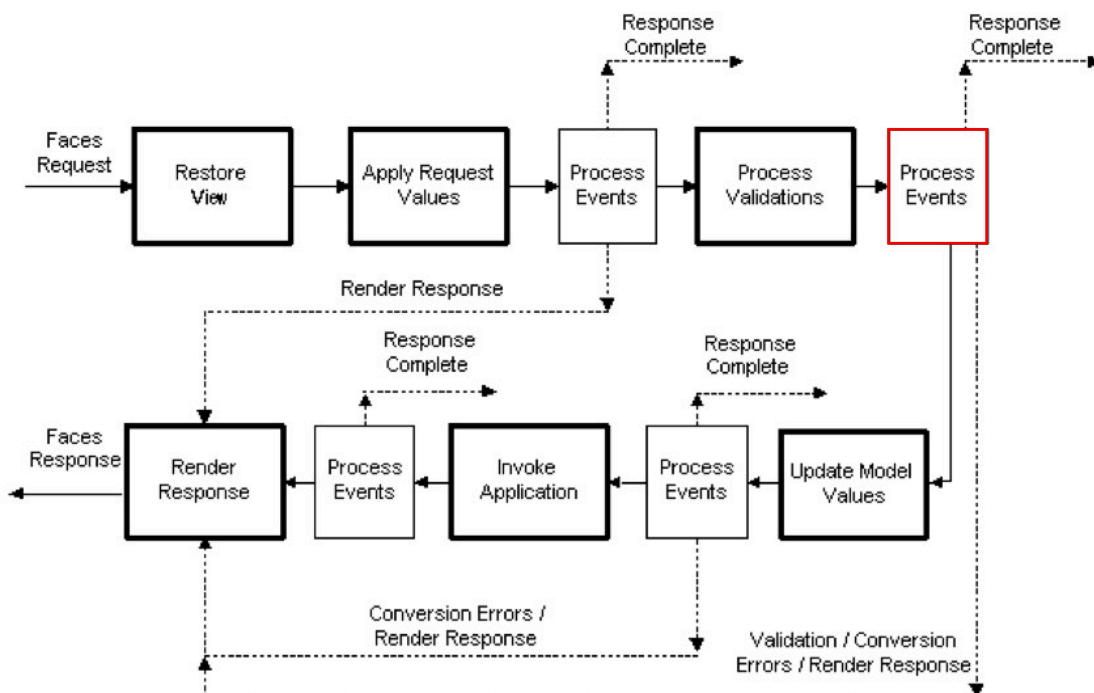
- Possible on UIInput components
- Do not trigger a submit automatically
 - Use JavaScript onchange event
- Access to the new and old value
- Executed after *Process Validations* but before *Update Model*

Value change example

```
public void languageChosen(ValueChangeEvent evt) {  
    System.out.println("Old value: " + evt.getOldValue());  
    System.out.println("New value: " + evt.getNewValue());  
}
```

```
<h:selectOneMenu  
    valueChangeListener="#{valueChangeBean.languageChosen}"  
    onchange="submit()">  
    <f:selectItems value="#{valueChangeBean.items}"/>  
</h:selectOneMenu>
```

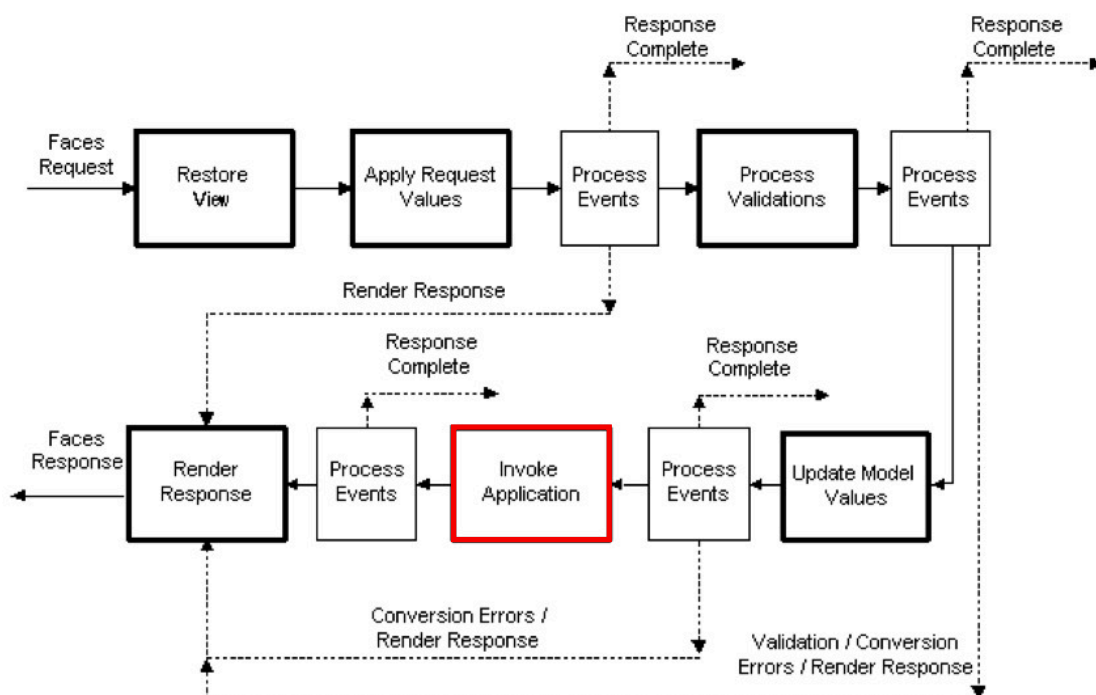
Value changed events



Action events

- ❑ Executed during *Invoke Application*
 - Before actions
- ❑ Distinguish actions and action events
 - actions -> business logic and navigation
 - action events -> UI related
 - action events know about the component that invoked the event

Action events



Event Listener Classes

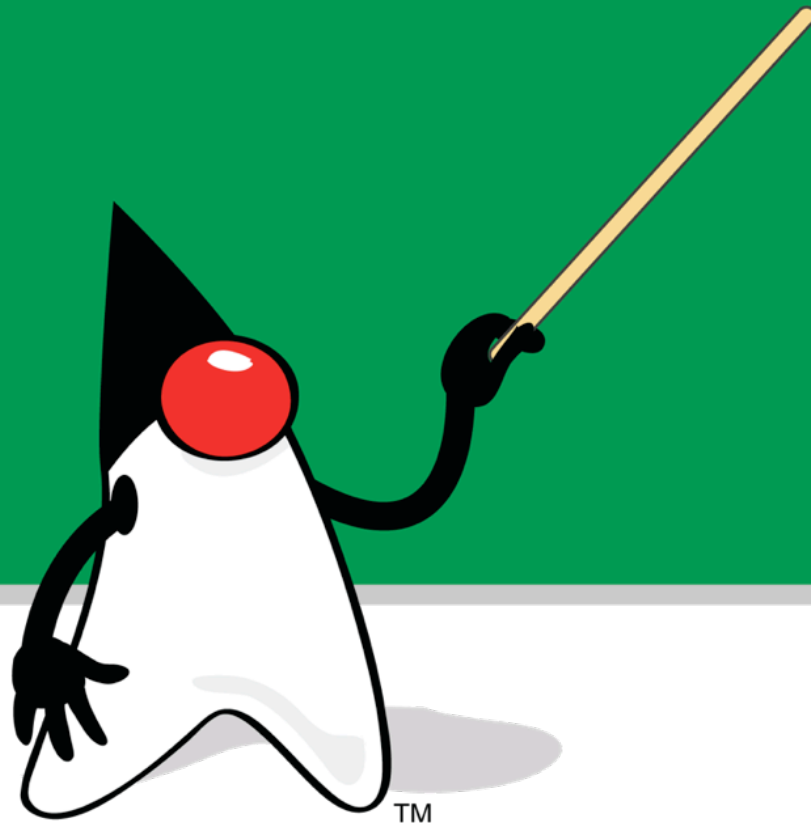
- ❑ Class that implements `ValueChangeListener` or `ActionEventListener`
- ❑ Use `f:valueChangeListener` and `f:actionListener` tags
- Allows multiple listeners

```
<h:commandButton value="Fire event">  
  <f:actionListener type="demo.eventclass.EventListenerExample"/>  
</h:commandButton>
```

Event Listener Classes

```
public class EventListenerExample implements ActionListener{  
  public void processAction(ActionEvent actionEvent)  
    throws AbortProcessingException {  
    System.out.println("Triggered by: " + actionEvent.getSource());  
  }  
}
```

Internationalization



Internationalization

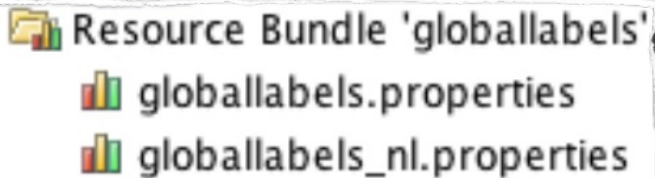
- Easy to load Strings from a message bundle
- A bundle is a properties file
- Support for localization
- Load bundle
 - in faces-config.xml
 - or import on page

Internationalization

```
<h:commandButton value="#{labels.save}"/>
```

Available on every page

```
<application>  
  <resource-bundle>  
    <base-name>globallabels</base-name>  
    <var>labels</var>  
  </resource-bundle>  
</application>
```



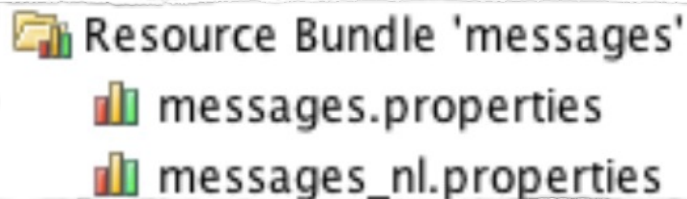
Resource Bundle 'globallabels'

- globallabels.properties
- globallabels_nl.properties

Internationalization

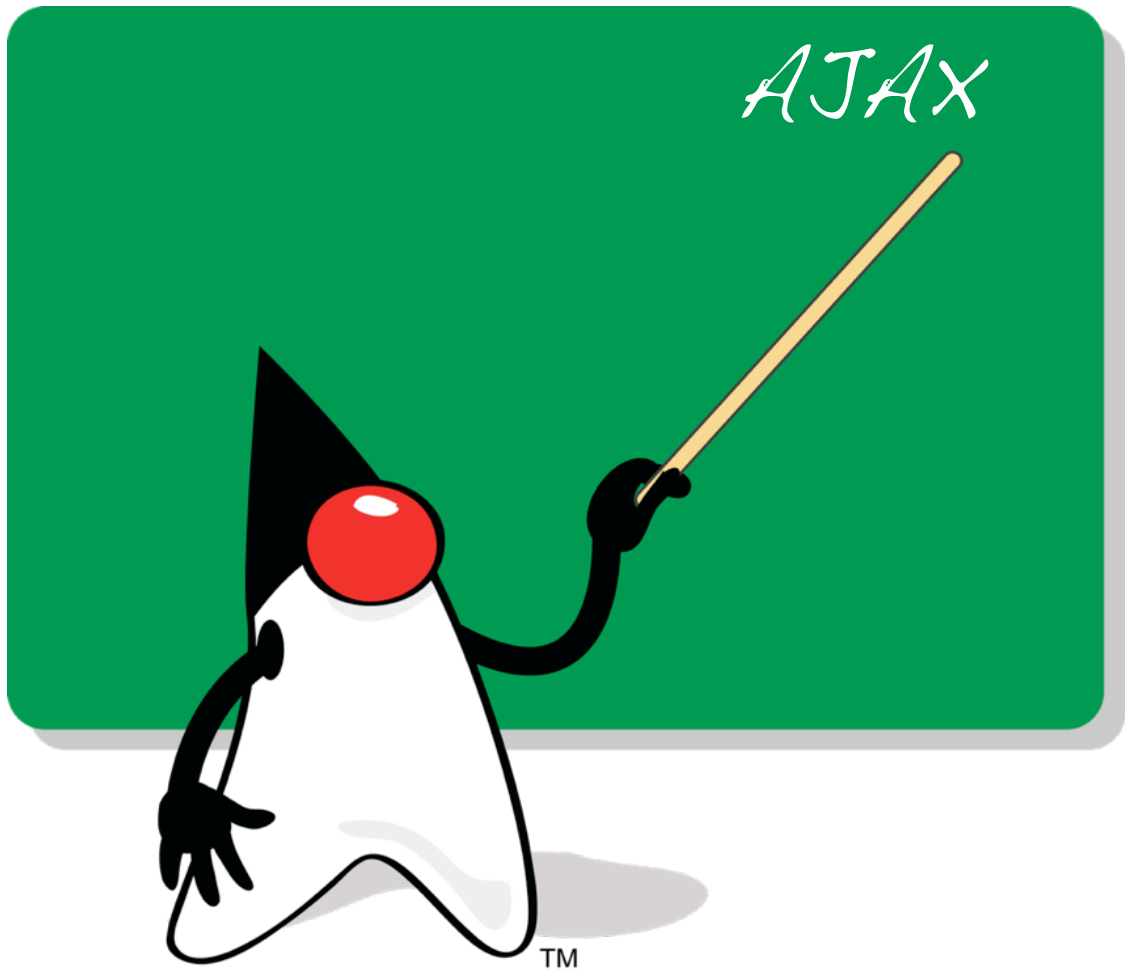
Load for a specific page

```
<f:loadBundle var="msg" basename="messages"/>  
<h:outputText value="#{msg.greeting}"/>
```



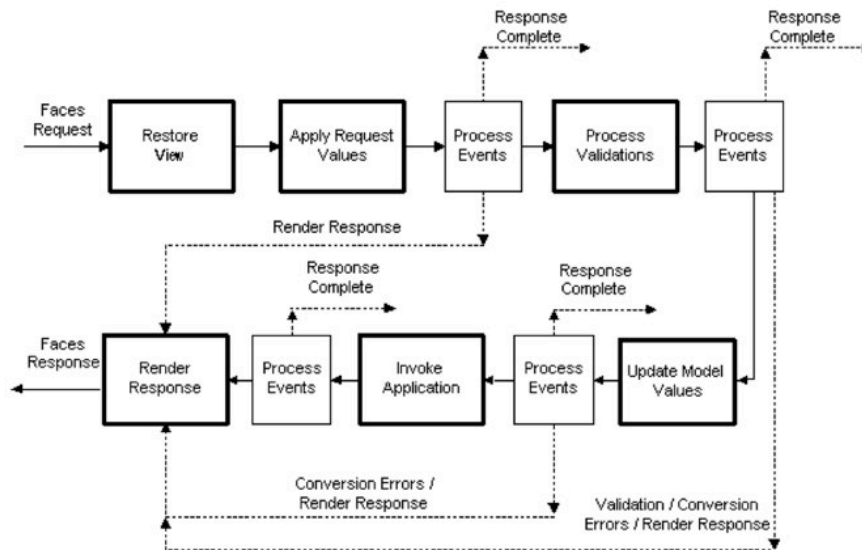
Resource Bundle 'messages'

- messages.properties
- messages_nl.properties



Ajax

- Partial page loading made easy
 - submit part of a page
 - re-render part of a page
- Wrap `f:ajax` in an existing component
 - specify event and render

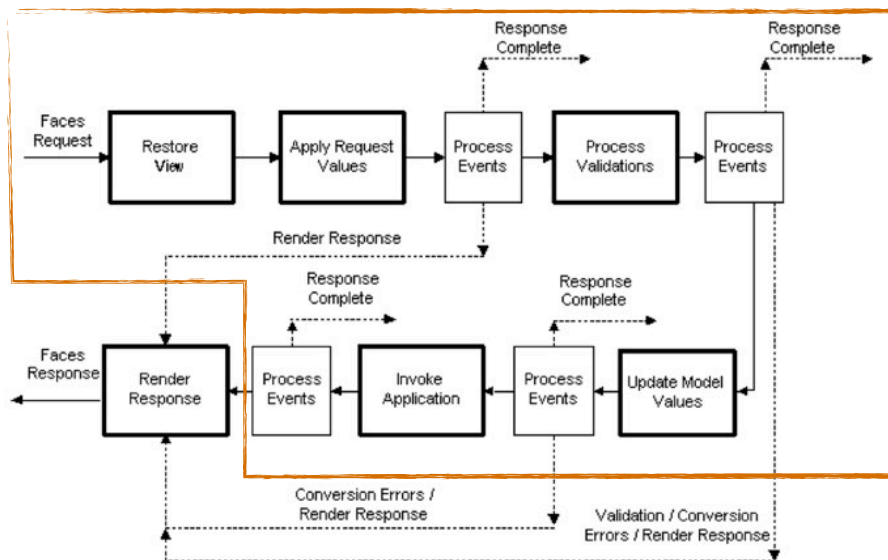


```

<h:inputText value="#{addressBook.filter}" id="filter">
  <f:ajax event="keyup" execute="filter" render="table"/>
</h:inputText>

<h:dataTable id="table" value="#{addressBook.names}" var="name">
  <h:column>#{name}</h:column>
</h:dataTable>

```

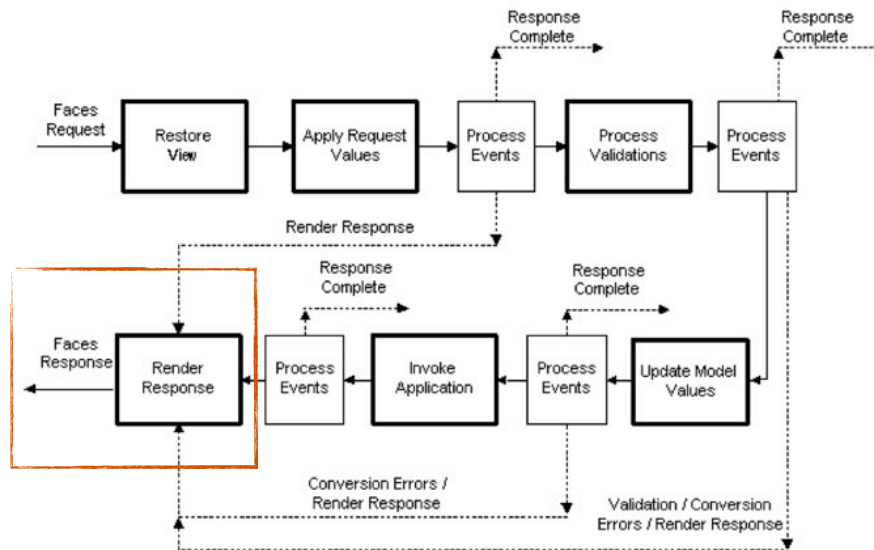


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```

Managed bean

Nothing Ajax related in the managed bean

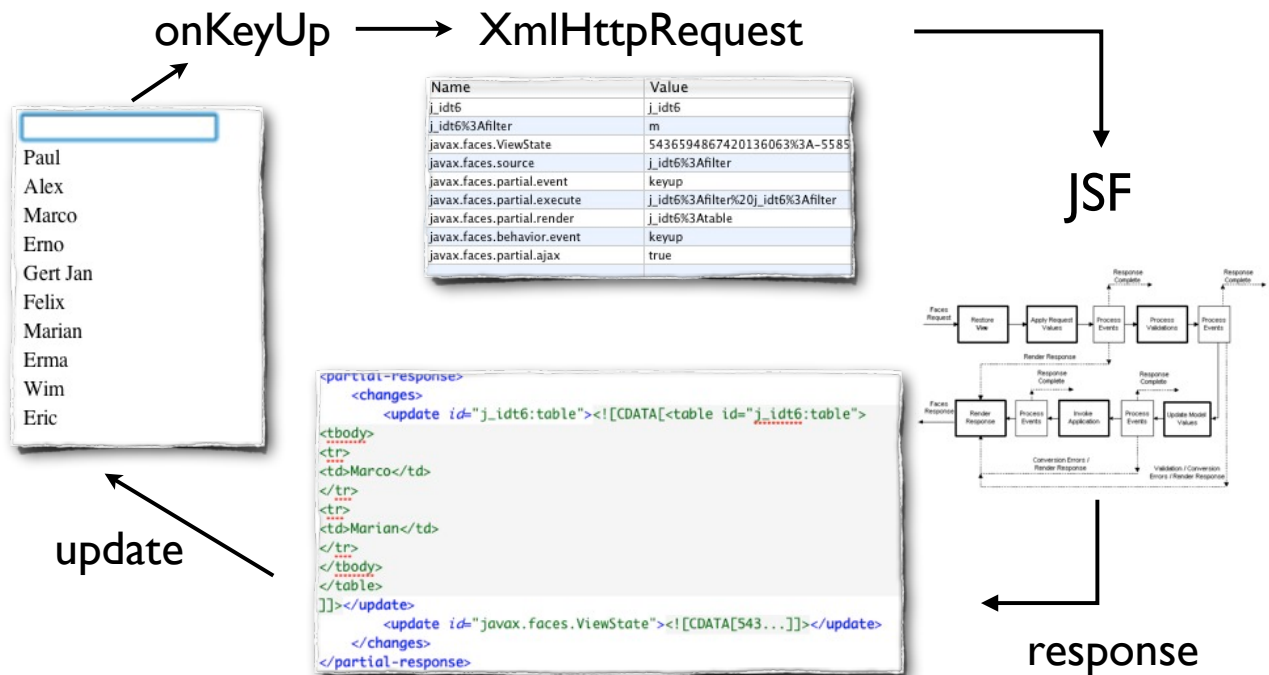
```

public void setFilter(String filter) {...}

public List<String> getNames() {
    if (filter != null) {
        List<String> filteredNames = new ArrayList<String>();
        for (String name : names) {
            if (name.toLowerCase().startsWith(filter)) {
                filteredNames.add(name);
            }
        }
        return filteredNames;
    } else {
        return names;
    }
}

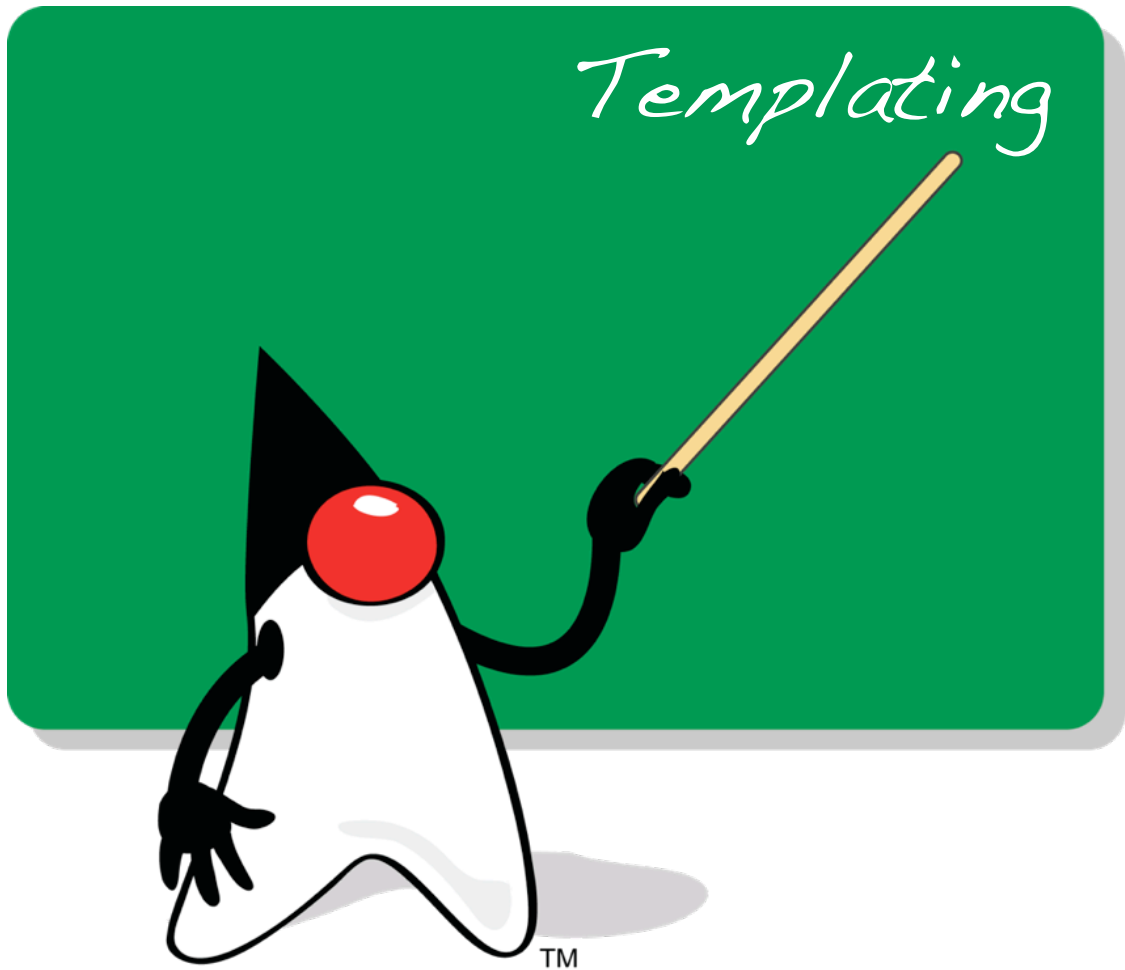
```

Ajax request



f:ajax properties

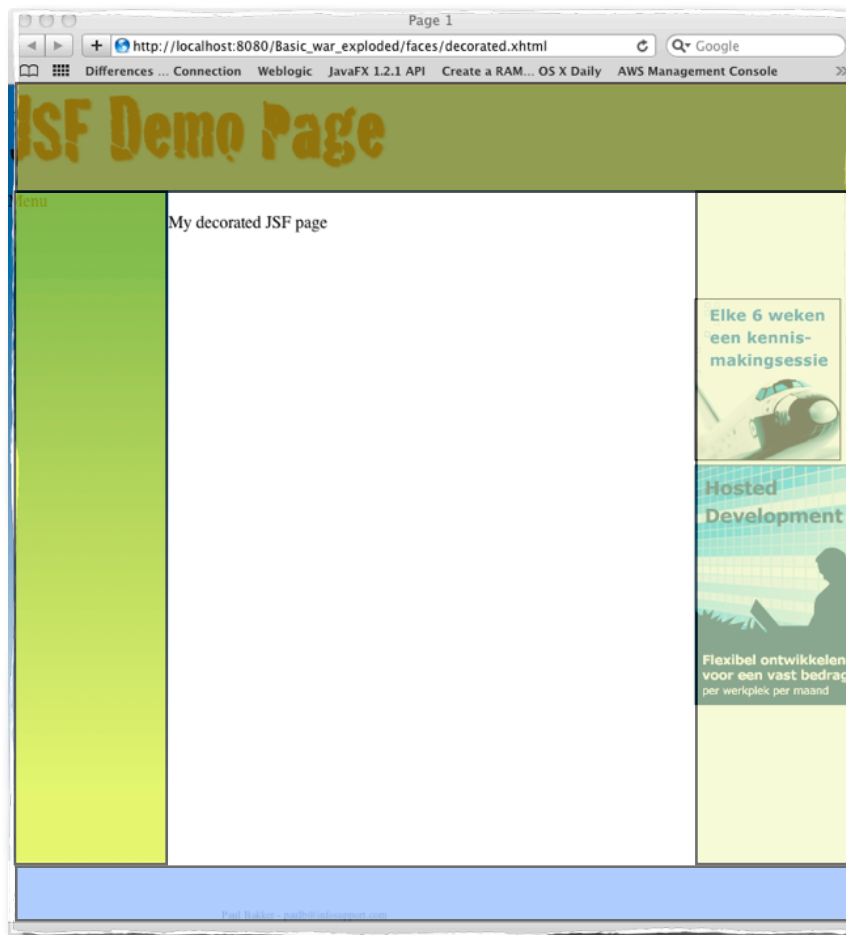
Property	Description
event	A String identifying the type of event the Ajax action will apply to.
execute	Identifiers of components that will participate in the "execute" portion of the Request Processing Lifecycle. Any of the keywords "@this", "@form", "@all", "@none" may be specified in the identifier list.
immediate	If "true" behavior events generated from this behavior are broadcast during Apply Request Values phase.
listener	Method expression referencing a method that will be called when an AjaxBehaviorEvent has been broadcast for the listener.
onevent	The name of the JavaScript function that will handle UI events.
oneerror	The name of the JavaScript function that will handle errors.
render	Evaluates to Collection. Identifiers of components that will participate in the "render" portion of the Request Processing Lifecycle. Any of the keywords "@this", "@form", "@all", "@none" may be specified in the identifier list.



Templating

- Create re-usable user interfaces
- A template decorates a page





decorated.xhtml

```
<body>
<ui:composition template="templates/main.xhtml">

  <ui:define name="title">Page 1</ui:define>

  <ui:define name="content">
    <h:form>
      My decorated JSF page
    </h:form>
  </ui:define>
</ui:composition>
</body>
```



decorated.xhtml

ignored

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```
<h:head>
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    <ui:insert name="title">My cool JSF app</ui:insert>
  </title>
  <h:outputStylesheet library="main" name="layout.css"/>
</h:head>

<h:body>
  <div id="header">
    JSF Demo Page
  </div>

  <div id="menu">
    Menu
  </div>

  <div id="rightcol">
    <h:graphicImage library="main/images" name="endeavour.gif"
      style="border: 1px black solid;"/><br/>
    <h:graphicImage library="main/images" name="hosted.gif"/>
  </div>

  <div id="content">
    <ui:insert name="content"/>
  </div>

  <div id="footer">Paul Bakker - paulb@infosupport.com</div>
</h:body>
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default title

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```

content placeholder

templates/main.xhtml

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```

layout.css

```
#header {
  width: 100%;
  height: 100px;
  text-shadow: 2px 2px 2px #000;
  font-family: 'Cracked';
  font-size: 60pt;
  background-color: rgba(28, 91, 155, 1.0);
}

#menu {
  float:left;
  width: 150px;
  height: 80%;
  background-color: rgba(28, 91, 155, 1.0);
}

#rightcol {
  margin-top: 100px;
  float:right;
  width: 150px;
  height: 50%;
}

#content {
  margin-top: 20px;
  background: #fff;
  height:80%;
  width:100%;
}

#footer {
  position: absolute;
  bottom: 0px;
  left: 200px;
  font-size: 10px;
  color: #a8acbe;
}
```

Custom Components



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Composite components

- UI only components
- Define component in:
 - resources/[component lib]/[component].xhtml
- component:interface
 - Define component attributes
- component:implementation
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Defining a component

resources/simplecomponents/header.xhtml

```
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml"
      xmlns:h="http://java.sun.com/jsf/html"
      xmlns:composite="http://java.sun.com/jsf/composite">
  <composite:interface>
    <composite:attribute name="value" required="true"/>
  </composite:interface>

  <composite:implementation>
    <span class="header">#{cc.attrs.value}</span>
  </composite:implementation>
</html>
```

Using a component

```
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml"
      xmlns:ui="http://java.sun.com/jsf/facelets"
      xmlns:h="http://java.sun.com/jsf/html"
      xmlns:f="http://java.sun.com/jsf/core"
      xmlns:demo="http://java.sun.com/jsf/composite/simplecomponents">
  <body>
    <demo:header value="This should be bold"/>
  </body>
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component directory

