

Welcome to today's BRMS for Smart SOA Webinar

Drive Down Costs While Delivering a Smart Multi-Channel Strategy With BRMS

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Today's Program



- Presentation (45 minutes)
- Q&A
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SOA Use Case - Multi-channel Banking



The multi-channel issue at "Bank X":

- Complex mix of technologies, applications and platforms across the bank's different channels/systems
 - Branches and ATMs
 - Call Center
 - Automated voice-response (telephone)
 - Online (traditional web + mobile device)
 - Back office
- SOA focus was on integration
- Despite progress, business units not satisfied due to difficulty in aligning their objectives with those of IT



SOA Infancy – the Problem of Conflicting Needs



Teams need the

freedom to meet

requirements as

needed.

I need to position us for the future with minimal cost and impact

CTO

Making SOA investments.

Looking for reuse.

Looking for value and delivery.

Architect

Independent service life-cycle.
Independent contracts.
Independent teams.

Marketing

Coherent campaigns Sensitivity to channel Timing We need to touch our customers in meaningful ways that does not disrupt the channel

SOA Gaps – Service Life-cycle Governance





- 1. What network topology, security, servers, service end-points and legacy COBOL applications support the on-line banking system?
- 2. What are the release dates for each set of services managed by a team?
- 3. How are SLA's enforced and monitored?
- 4. Which service end-points support simultaneous versions?
- 5. How are the business stakeholders going to validate release content going forward?
- 6. Who will train data-center staff on the new service deployment processes?
- 7. How will business stakeholders communicate with the teams involved and validate requirements?

SOA Gaps - Velocity and Agility





- 1. All business requirement changes tied to the software development life-cycle (SDLC) across multiple teams.
 - Changes taking up to six months and missing features take more than a year to implement.
- 2. The marketing team simply does not have the staffing to interface with all of the teams involved.
 - Overwhelmed by the complexity and moving parts.
 - Mktg simply wants to manage their campaigns and business content without being exposed to the implementation details.
- 3. Changes to campaign and business content need to be defined and put into production in weeks—not twice a year.

SOA Gaps - Service Proliferation





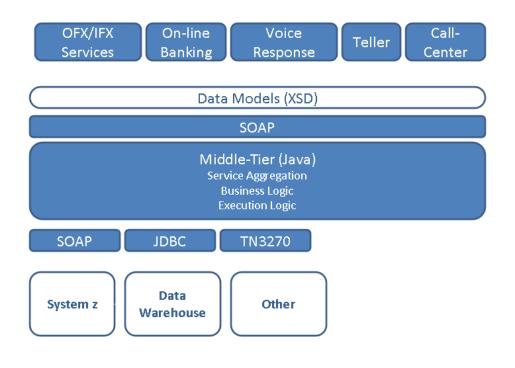
Services are duplicating a lot of common features:

- Data validation for the service.
- 2. Eligibility for a specific transaction.
- 3. Data transformation for downstream services and service responses.
- 4. Business logic for event processing.
- 5. Flow logic that determines the execution path of the service based on data that is presented.
- 6. Exception processing

SOA Gaps - Architecture



Early decisions that bite

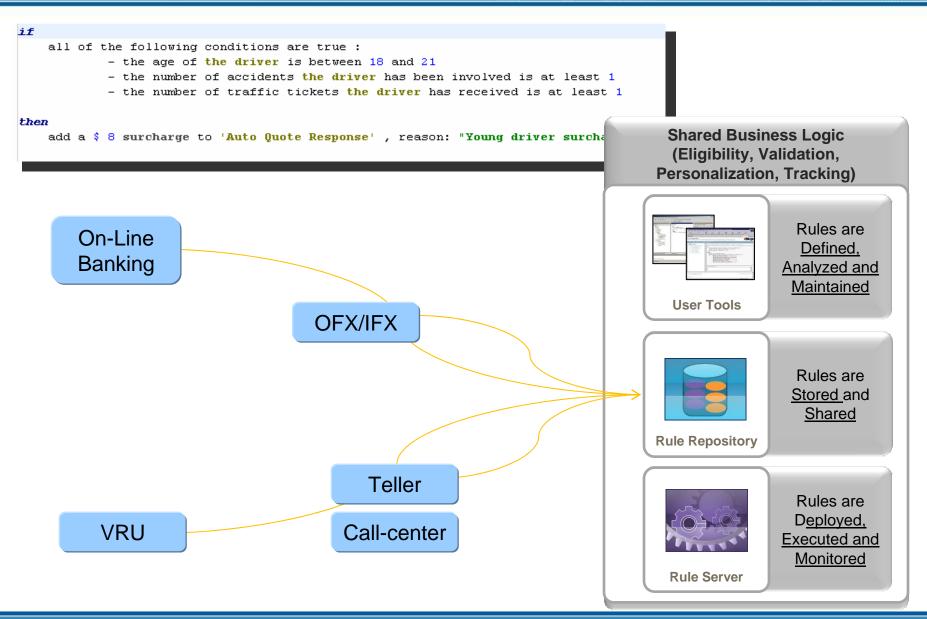


Pressure points

- Multiple platforms
- Middleware
- Multi end-point aggregation
- Multiple protocols
- No clear patterns of reuse
- Lack of consistency, transparency and governance

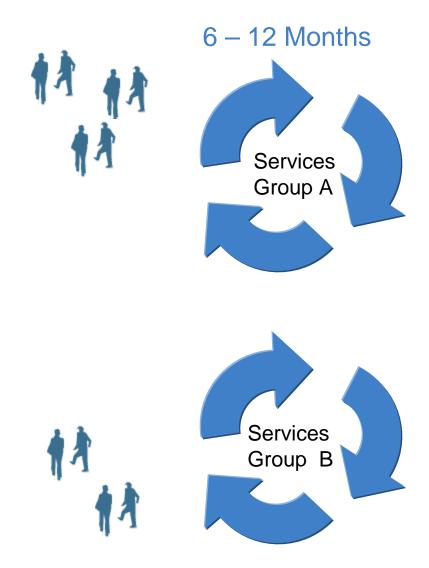
Solution – Better SOA with BRMS

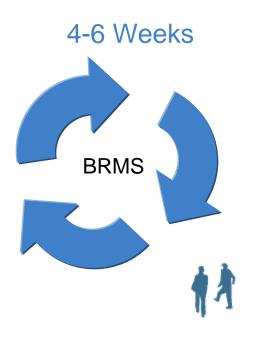




Solution – Separate Life-cycles

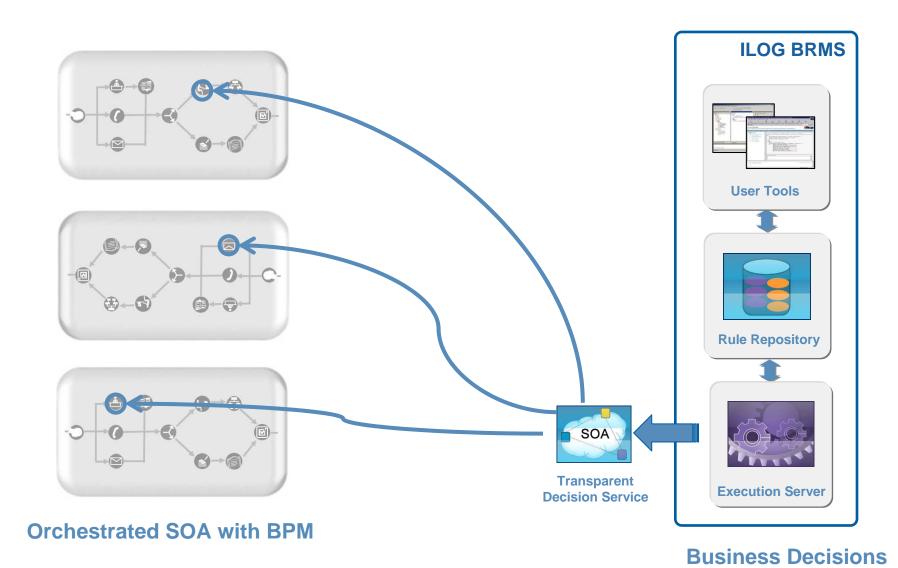






Growth Model into Orchestrated SOA





Compare the Architectures



Before

OFX/IFX Services

Middle-Tier (Java)

OFX/IFX Bill Pay (XSD)

SOAP

OFXIFXBillPayService {
 OFXIFXValidateData (...);
 eligibilityForTransaction(...);
 //No offers implemented
 If (OK)
 {
 SimpleScreenScrape(...);
 ExtraDataScrape(...)
 }
 return buildResponse(...);
}

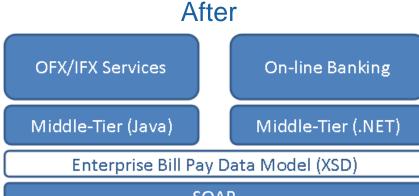
On-line Banking

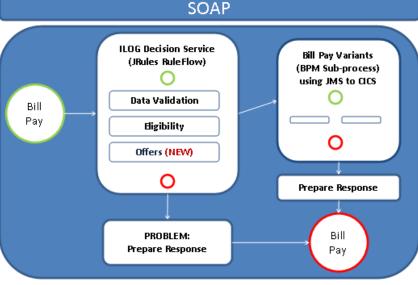
Middle-Tier (.NET)

Banking Bill Pay (XSD)

SOAP

InternetBillPayService {
 validateData (...);
 eligibilityForTransaction(...);
 //No offers implemented
 If (OK)
 {
 SimpleScreenScrape(...);
 VendorDataScrape(...)
 }
 return buildResponse(...);
}



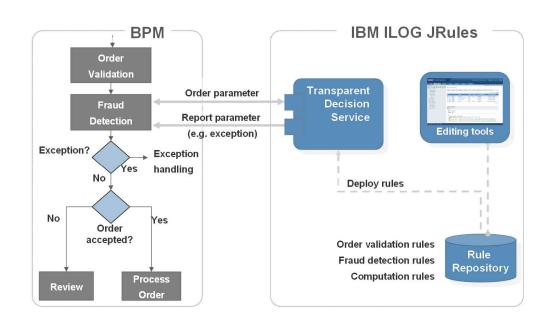


BPM & BRMS Interoperability Overview



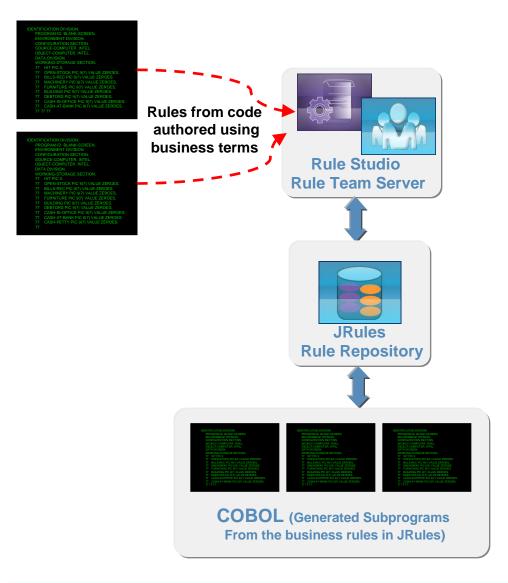
Smart SOA

- Greater reuse within service implementations
- Greater reuse for service variants as in the case of WebSphere Fabric
- Easy path to SOA maturity by building on top of an existing BRMS investment
 - N-Tier, Service frameworks and BRMS easily migrate into use of ESB and BPM
 - BRMS remains a consistent aspect of a maturing SOA architecture
- Out-of-the-box service implementation



Extending Rule Mgmt to Legacy Apps.





Rules now:

- Managed in ILOG BRMS
 - Expressed and documented in business terms
 - Versioned
 - Able to change when the business needs it
 - Can be managed with collaborative web tools
- Can be reused across applications
- Yet, run natively in the COBOL code

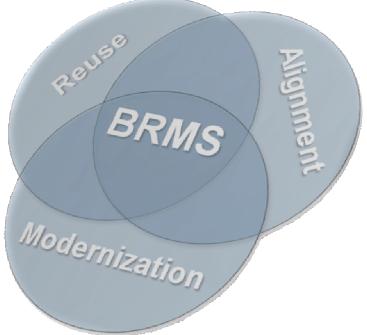
Enabling Smart SOA with ILOG BRMS



IBM WebSphere ILOG BRMS – the premier technology for creating, maintaining and implementing smart decision services...

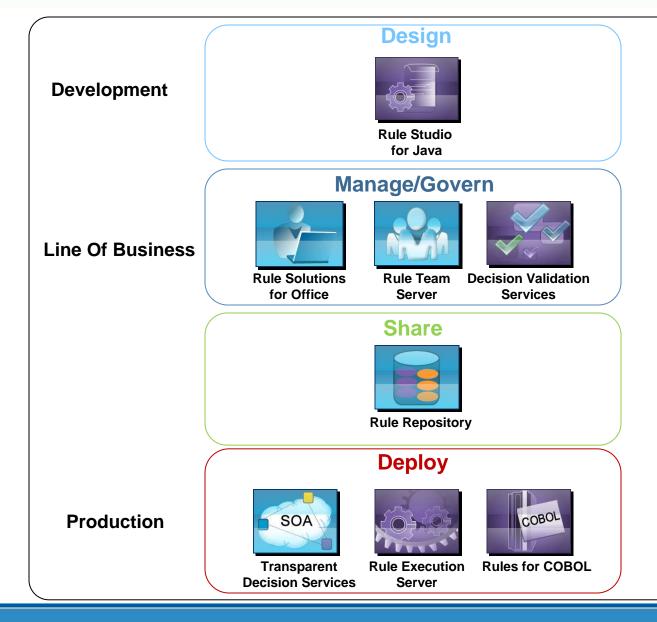
- Provides a convenient communication channel between IT and business teams
- Allows for easy implementation and reuse of business rules across the enterprise
- Offers flexible options for progressive IT modernization





JRules 7.0 BRMS – Comprehensive Capabilities





Rule Mgmt/Governance

- Focus of new capabilities for v7.0
- Better information and control for business users
- Improved business-IT alignment
- Reduced time, effort and cost to implement smart decision services

Rule Management for Business Users



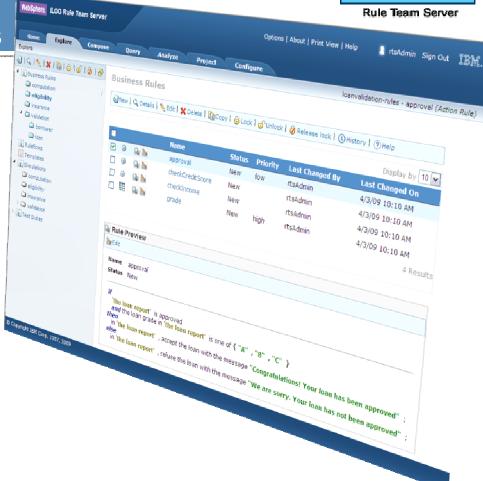
- Web-based collaborative environment
- Easy-to-Use, Easy-To-Learn
- Powerful Governance Capabilities



Rule Team Server

New in Version 7.0

- Integrated rule testing and simulation (Decision Validation Services)
- **Integration with Microsoft Office Word** and Excel for guided, offline rule editing (Rule Solutions for Office)
- Ability to manage rule projects for both JRules and Rules for .NET
- Improved rule analysis and reporting



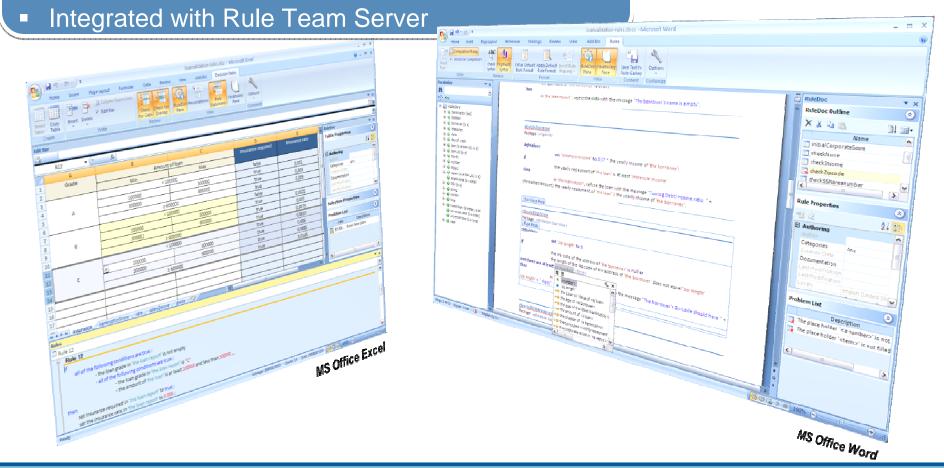
Guided Rule Editing in Microsoft Office



- Extends rule maintenance across the organization
- "Ruledocs" have full understanding of object model and rule syntax



Rule Solutions for Office



Business User Testing and Simulation



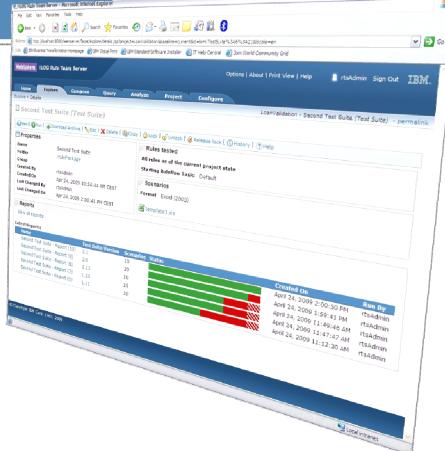
- Meets the needs of business and IT
- Test rules before deploying
- Assess business impact of changes



Decision Validation Services

New in Version 7.0 (JRules)

- Work directly within Rule Team Server
- Ability to use Microsoft Excel for data input
- Configuration/customization wizards and editors in Rule Studio reduce development time and effort



ILOG BRMS SOA References



| Customer | Application | Pains | SOA Solution | Results |
|---|--|--|---|---|
| TRAVELERS | Underwriting + pricing | Policy based on underwriter judgment Regulatory and compliance complexity Dispersed policies | Underwriting and pricing decision service | 75% of submissions handled with Straight Through Processing Fast and regular deployment cycles |
| GROUP RCI VACATION EXCHANGE • VACATION RINTALS | Enhanced Search – online system for timeshare property customers | High cost for servicing customer exchange requests Customer demand for online exchange system | Rules-driven online system, with ability to handle multi- dimensional exchange parameters | Changes can be implemented in the online system within days vs. months in legacy call center application Dramatic reduction in mainframe utilization through web-channel shift |
| № Santander | Credit decisioning | Several banking platform across all banks of the group | Integration of ILOG JRules in their SOA infrastructure | Adaptability of platform across all banks to changes in regulations and market conditions Reusability of rule-based decision services |

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ILOG BRMS Benefits





 Implementing change in a way that is easy, safe and predictable



 Reducing the time and cost required to develop and maintain operational systems that are affected by change



 Providing a way for IT and Business functions to work collaboratively on defining, managing and reusing the decision logic that drives operational systems



 Increasing the visibility of how systems use and are affected by decision logic



Question and Answer

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