

# Creating Platforms Using Eclipse Equinox

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## Modern application development and deployment

### Current Issues

**Component models vary across tiers and platforms**

**New type of applications**

**Business Agility Demands IT Agility**

**Improve integration of 3<sup>rd</sup> party software**

### Reason

- MS .Net == MS platforms
- Java ME, SE and Java EE imply different component models on embedded devices, desktops and server
- SaaS, web 2.0, mashups and social networks require new approaches
- One size does not fit all
- Different technology platforms make it difficult to integrate with customers and partners

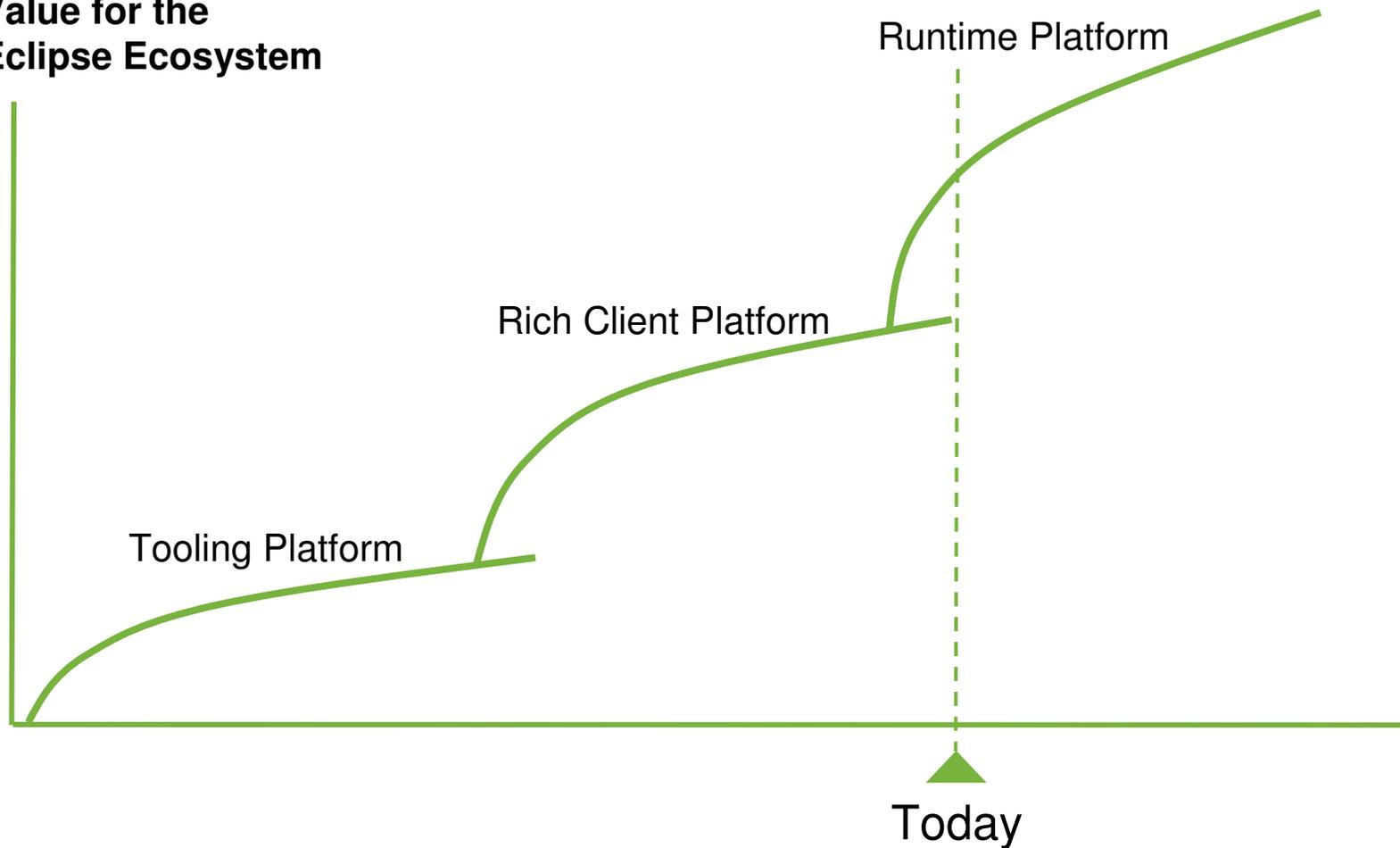
# Platforms

## Enabling the Unexpected

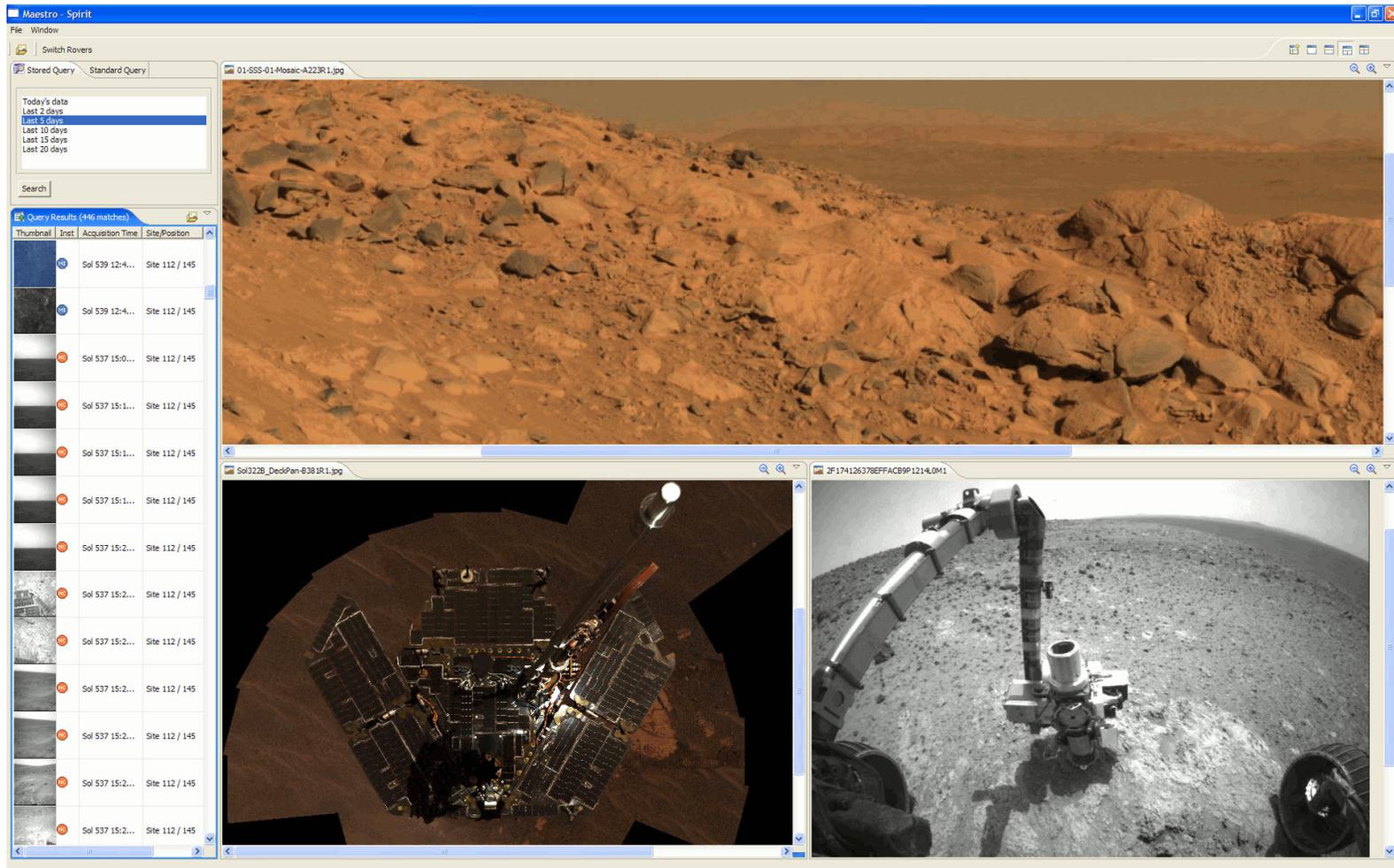


## The Evolution of Eclipse Platforms

Value for the  
Eclipse Ecosystem



# NASA Maestro/Ensemble



## On the power of adopting a platform

“Since adopting the [platform], our team has been able to retire thousands of lines of code from our old program in favor of features provided by the [platform].”

## On the power of building your own platform

“[The platform] has also become the centerpiece for a new consortium of operations software development teams”

“...we will see more [platforms] built around the [our platform] in the future as other organizations decide to pool their resources and share the responsibility for things that their programs have in common.”

## Even in Banking!

“...they needed to produce a generalized platform in which this and other new applications could be extended, reused and shared”

“The result was [JPMorgan’s] One Bench, a platform for developing and delivering custom banking applications”

# Components

## On the power of componentization

“... now we can safely pick and choose only those plug-ins that a particular customer needs rather than forcing everyone to use a monolithic “one size fits all” program”

“Death of the Stack”

“[Birth of] Stackless Stacks”

## Equinox powers Componentization

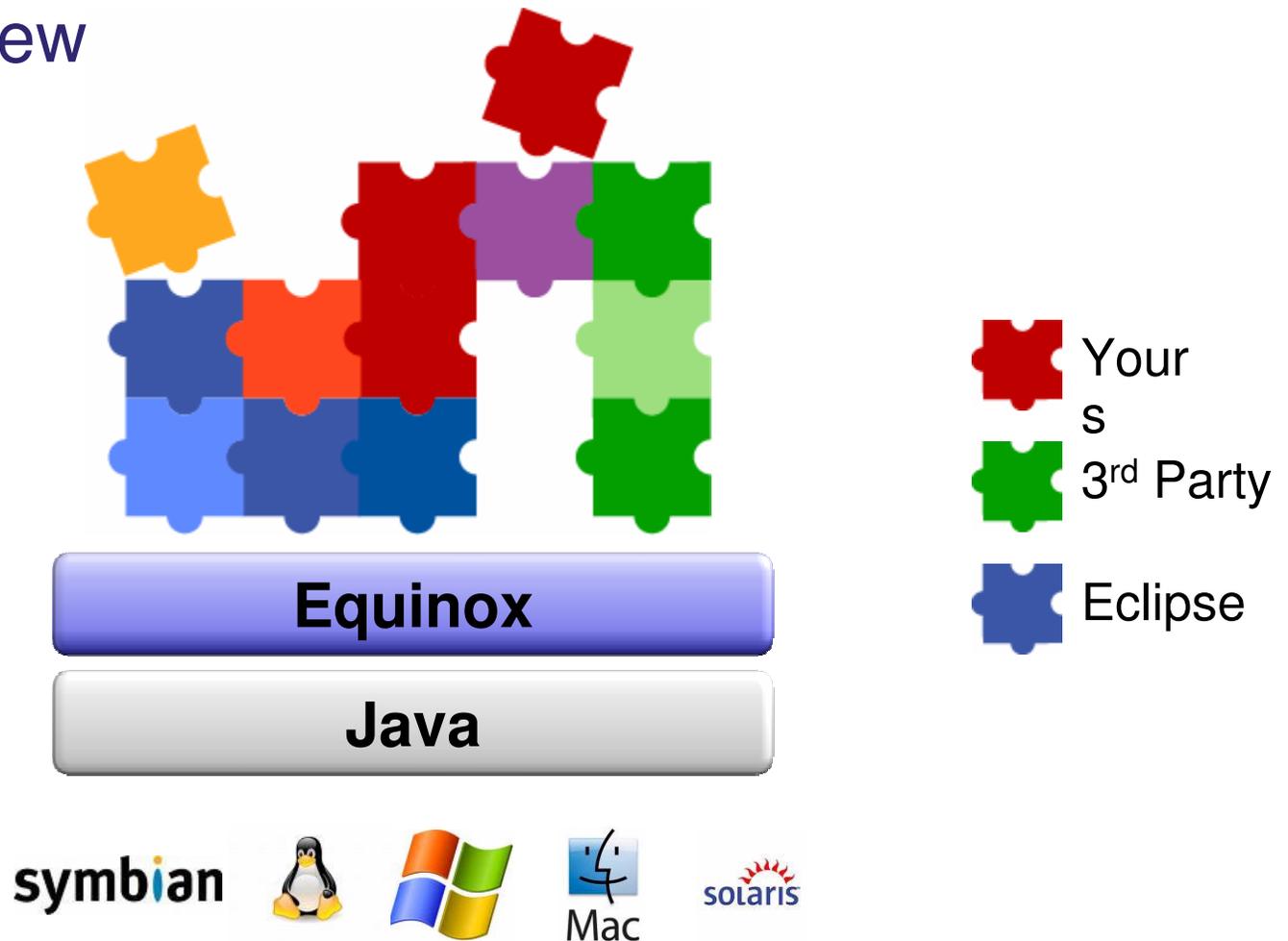
- Equinox powers Eclipse
- Small, performant OSGi framework implementation
- Collection of service implementations
  - ◆ Standard OSGi services
  - ◆ Eclipse services (e.g., Extension Registry)
- Server side infrastructure
- Provisioning infrastructure
- Security infrastructure

Runtime Community at Eclipse.org

## A brief history of Equinox

- Introduced in Eclipse 3.0 (2003) as OSGi-based runtime for Eclipse
- Seeded with IBM “SMF” code-base
- Team co-developed OSGi R4 spec
  - ◆ Facilitate Eclipse use
  - ◆ Reference implementation for OSGi R4.x + JSR 291
- Widespread adoption as the complete, supported, industrial strength framework implementation

## System View



## Write Once, Run Anywhere?

- Perhaps true across machines
- Ironically not true across Java™ “editions”
- Java ME, SE and EE have different programming models
  - ◆ Midlets, Applets, Servlets, EJBs, ...
- The same program does not have a hope of running everywhere

## The OSGi Component Model

- Bundles are typically JAR files
  - ◆ Java classes, Resources, Files, Metadata
- Bundle metadata declaratively defines
  - ◆ Java packages exported
  - ◆ Dependencies on bundles and Java packages
  - ◆ Bundle classpath
  - ◆ Bundle lifecycle
- Framework manages dependencies and lifecycle
  - ◆ Explicitly supports dynamic scenarios

## Example Bundle Metadata

Bundle-SymbolicName: org.eclipse.equinox.registry  
Bundle-Version: 3.2.100.v20060918  
Bundle-Name: Eclipse Extension Registry  
Bundle-Vendor: Eclipse.org

**Identification**

Bundle-ClassPath: .

**Execution**

Bundle-Activator: org.eclipse.core.internal.registry.osgi.Activator

**Lifecycle**

Import-Package: javax.xml.parsers,  
org.xml.sax,  
org.osgi.framework;version=1.3

Require-Bundle:

org.eclipse.equinox.common;bundle-version="[3.2.0,4.0.0)"

Bundle-RequiredExecutionEnvironment: J2SE-1.3

**Prerequisites**

Export-Package: org.eclipse.equinox.registry

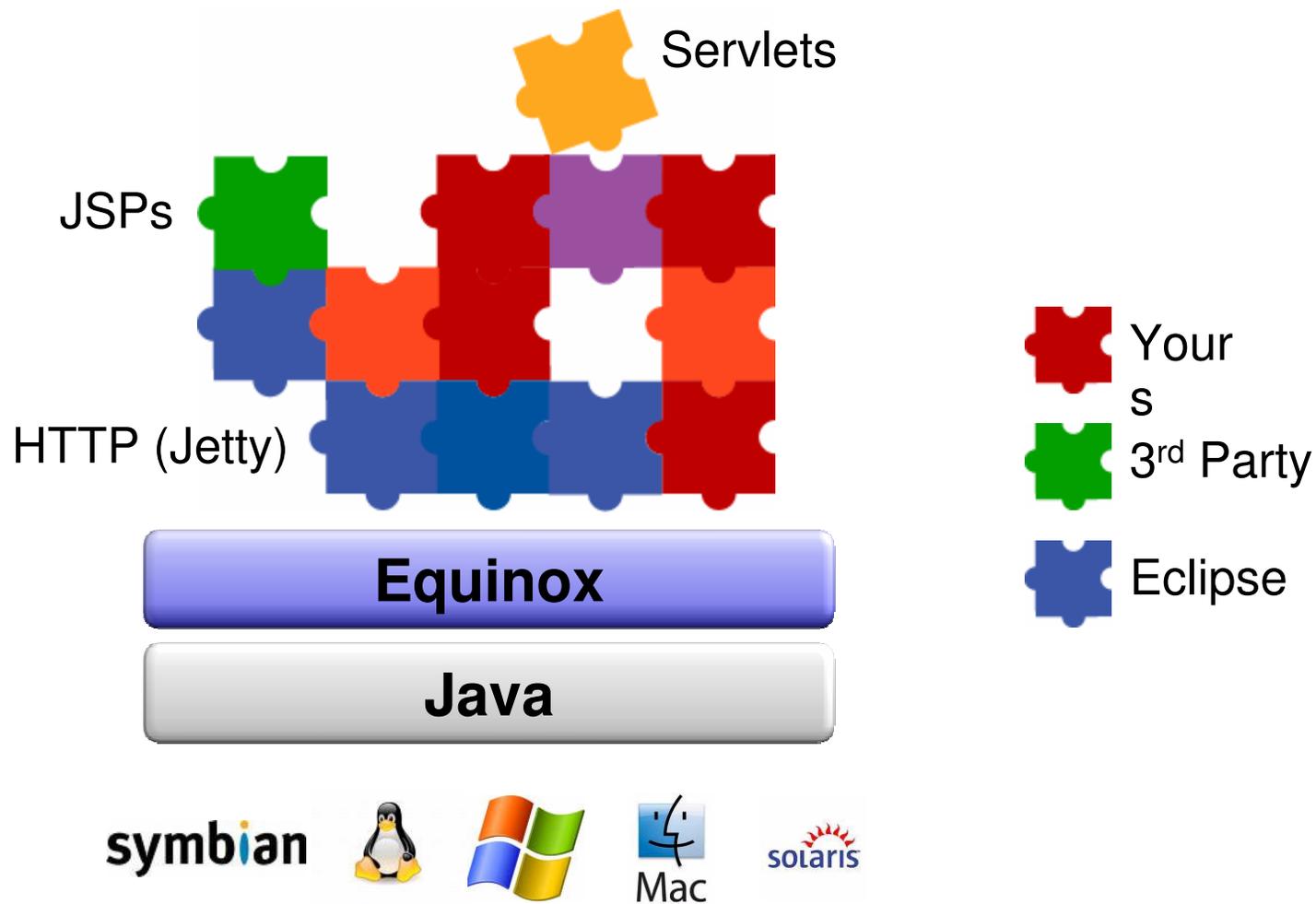
**Capabilities**

## Enterprise Java Dominance



Ref: [http://www.osgi.org/wiki/uploads/News/2008\\_09\\_16\\_worldwide\\_market.pdf](http://www.osgi.org/wiki/uploads/News/2008_09_16_worldwide_market.pdf)

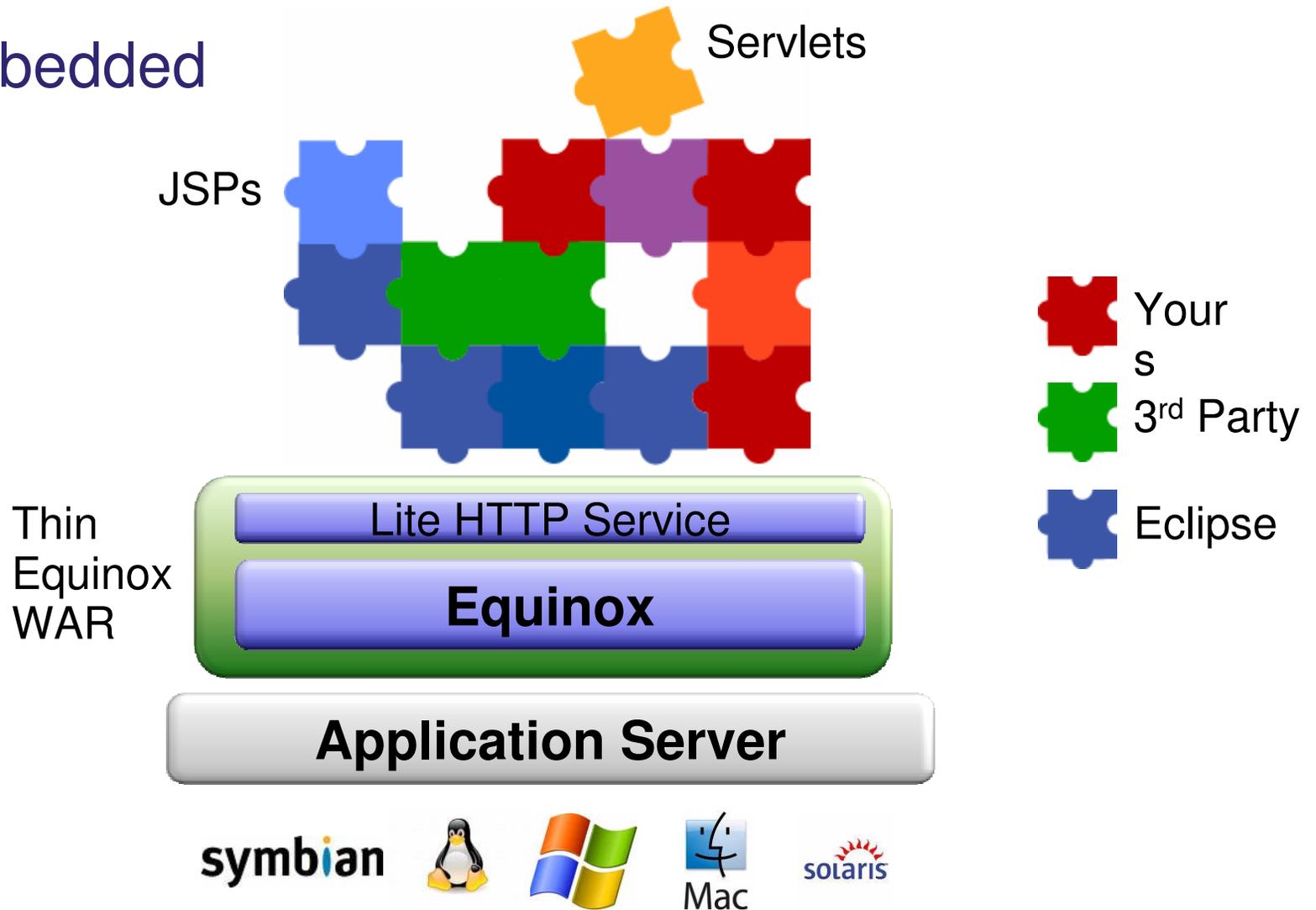
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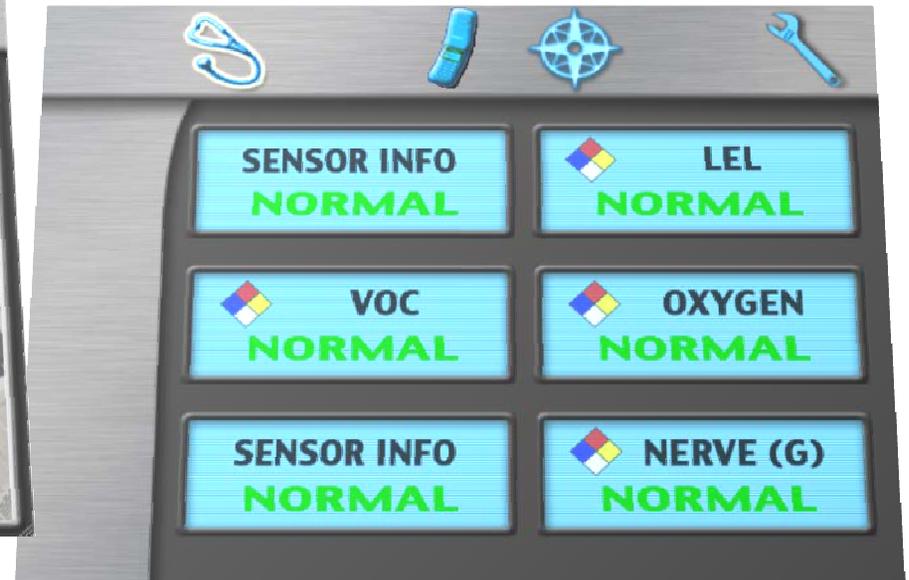
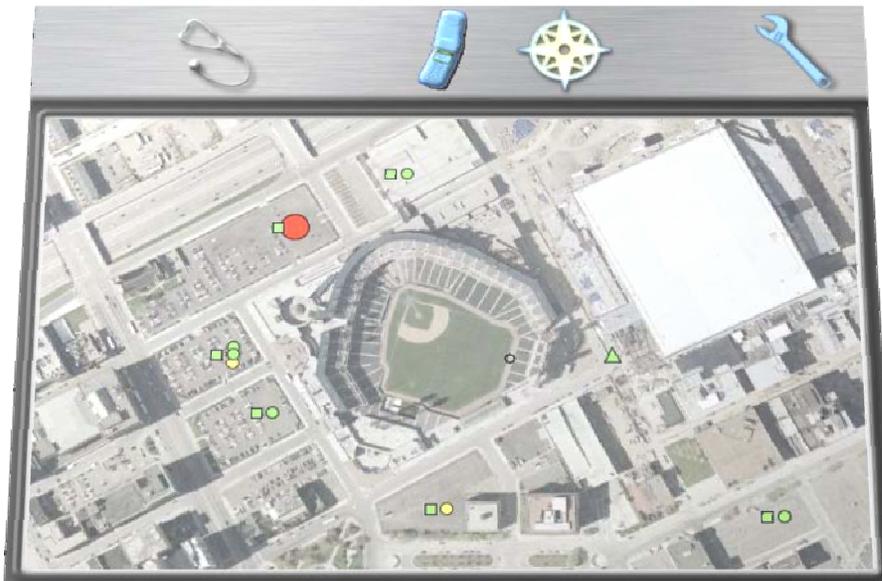
Servlets

JSPs



# Demo

But I thought it was for cars?



## A Look Under the Covers

## Separation of Concerns

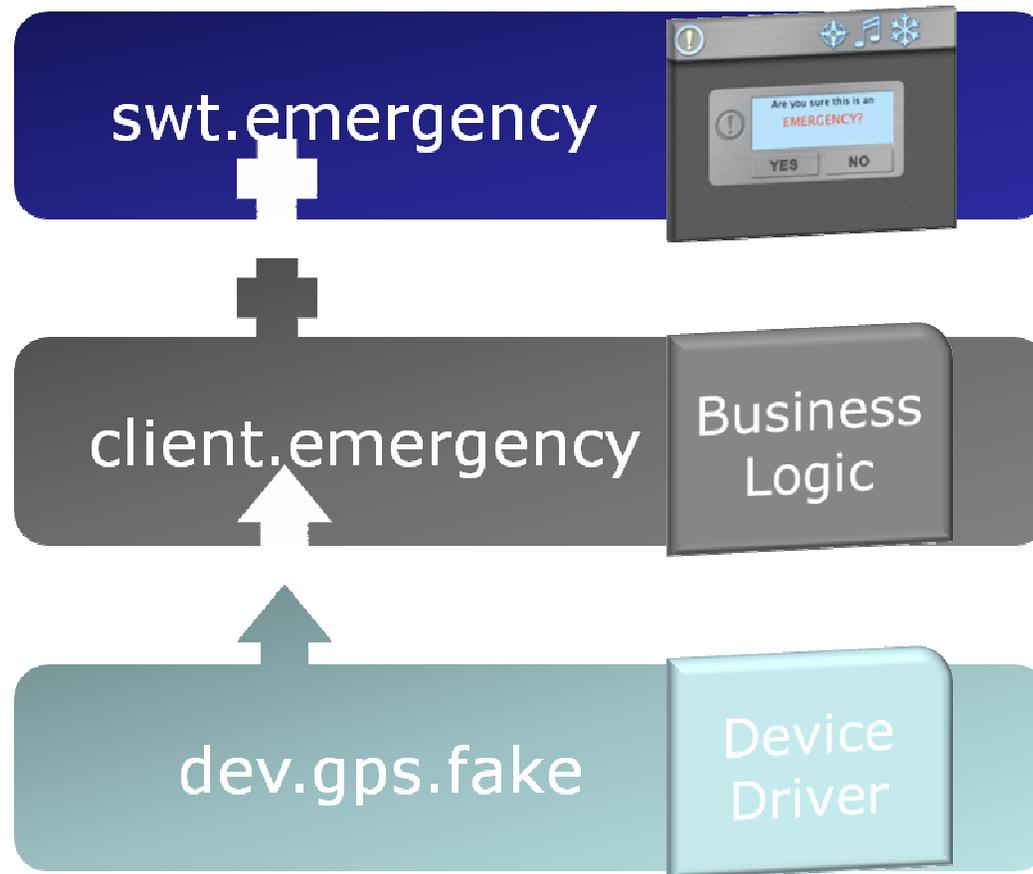
### **Component.java**

```
protected void activate(ComponentContext context) {
    this.context = context;
    HttpService http = (HttpService) context.locateService("http");
    IControlCenter center = (IControlCenter) context.locateService("controlCenter");
    HttpServlet servlet = new EmergencyServlet(center);
    http.registerServlet(getAlias(), servlet, null, httpContext);
}
protected void deactivate(ComponentContext context) {
    HttpService http = (HttpService) context.locateService("http");
    http.unregister(getAlias());
}
```

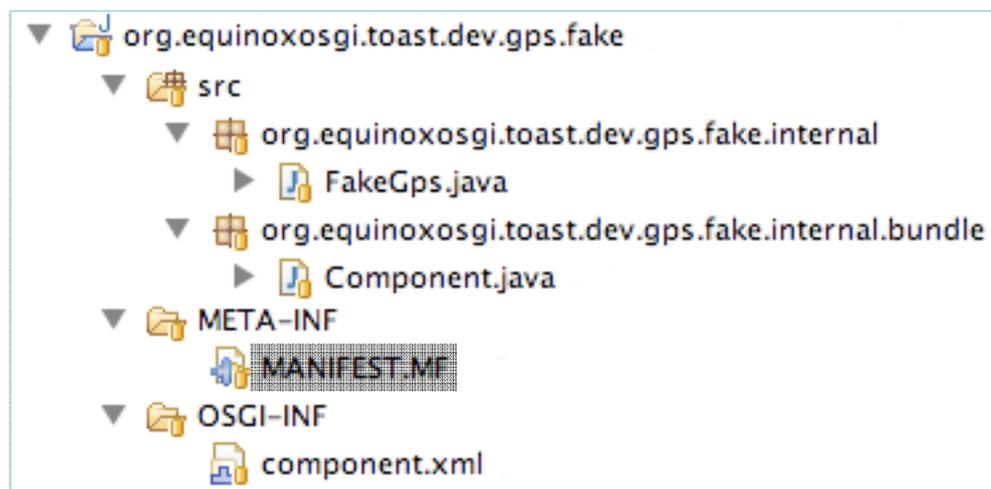
### **EmergencyServlet.java**

```
public EmergencyServlet(IControlCenter center) {
    this.center = center;
}
< ... Business Logic ...>
```

## Services Examples



## Providing a Service



### **MANIFEST.MF**

Bundle-Name: Toast Fake Gps Plug-in

Bundle-SymbolicName: org.equinosexgi.toast.dev.gps.fake

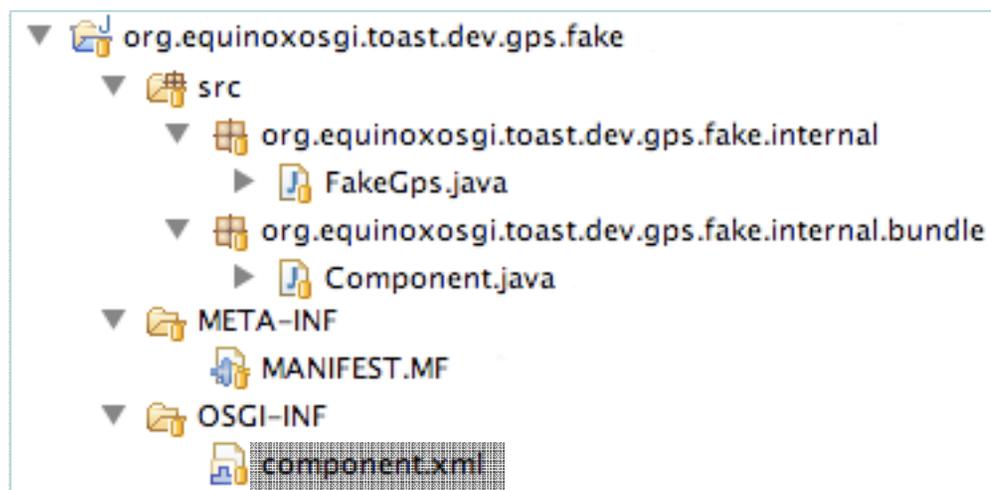
Bundle-Version: 1.0.0

Service-Component: OSGI-INF/component.xml

*Import-Package: org.equinosexgi.toast.dev.gps*

  
dev.gps.fake

## Providing a Service



### component.xml

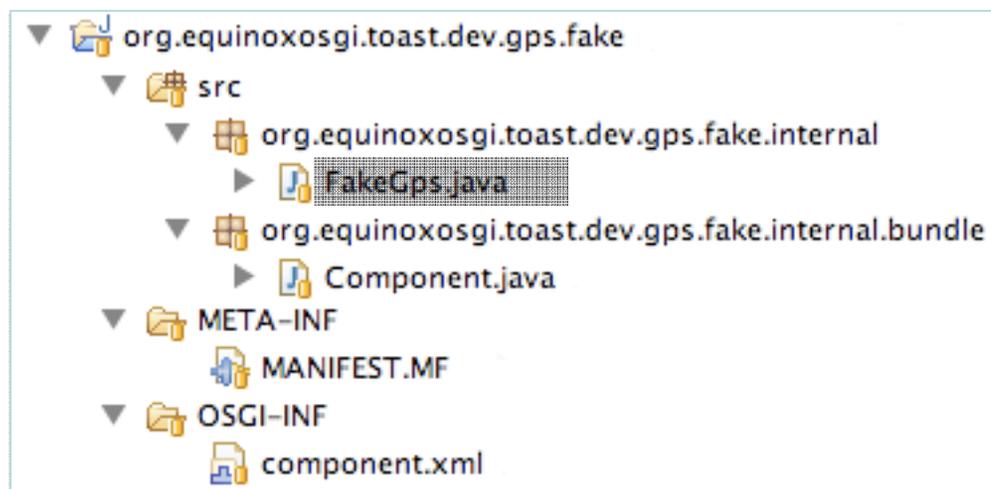
```
<component name="org.equininoxsgi.toast.dev.gps.fake">
  <implementation class=
    "org.equininoxsgi.toast.dev.gps.fake.internal.FakeGps"/>
  <service>
    <provide interface="org.equininoxsgi.toast.dev.gps.IGps"/>
  </service>
</component>
```

  
dev.gps.fake

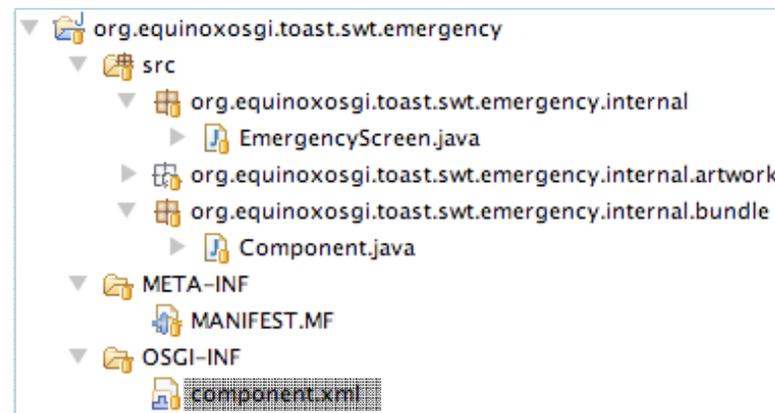
## Providing a Service

### FakeGps.java

```
public class FakeGps implements IGps {  
    public int getLatitude() {  
        return 3888746;  
    }  
  
    public int getLongitude() {  
        return -7702192;  
    }  
}
```



## Requiring a Service



### **component.xml**

```
<component name="org.equinoxosgi.toast.swt.emergency">
  <implementation class="org.equinoxosgi.toast.swt.emergency.internal.bundle.Component"/>
  <reference
    name="emergency"
    interface="org.equinoxosgi.toast.client.emergency.IEmergencyMonitor"/>
  <reference
    name="shell"
    interface="org.equinoxosgi.crust.shell.ICrustShell"/>
</component>
```



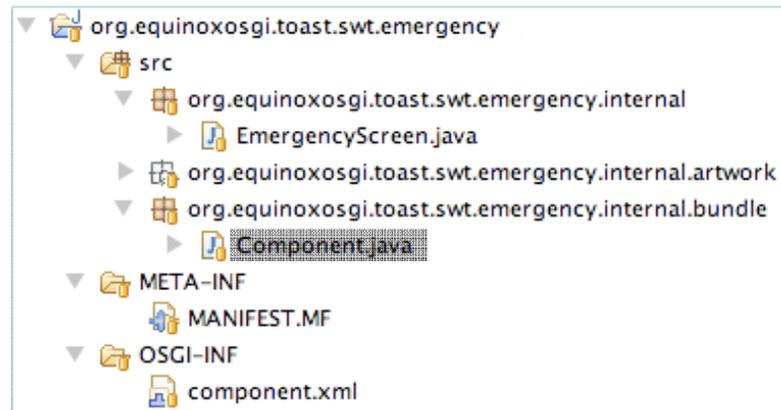
## Requiring a Service

### Component.java

```
public class Component {
    private EmergencyScreen screen;

    protected void activate(ComponentContext context) {
        ICrustShell crustShell =
            (ICrustShell) context.locateService("shell");
        IEmergencyMonitor monitor =
            (IEmergencyMonitor) context.locateService("emergency");
        screen = new EmergencyScreen();
        screen.bind(crustShell, monitor);
    }

    protected void deactivate(ComponentContext context) {
        screen.unbind();
        screen = null;
    }
}
```



## Requiring a Service

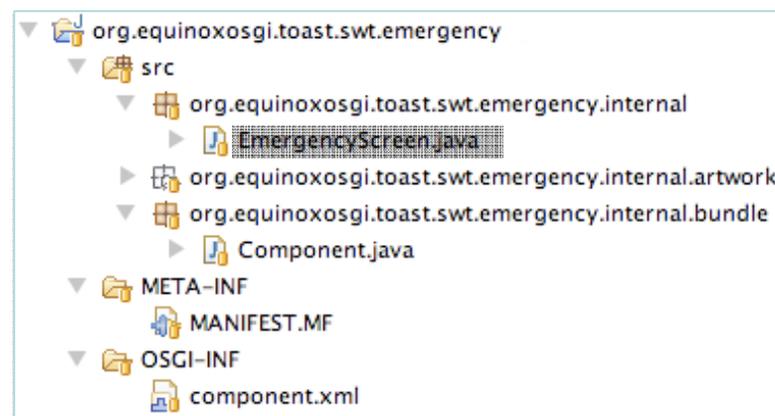
### EmergencyScreen.java

```
public class EmergencyScreen {  
    private IEmergencyMonitor monitor;  
    private ICrustShell crustShell;
```

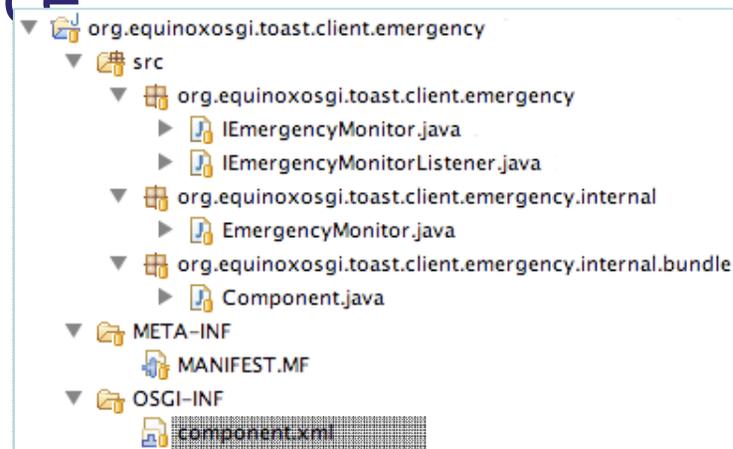
```
    public void bind(ICrustShell crustShell, IEmergencyMonitor monitor) {  
        this.crustShell = crustShell;  
        this.monitor = monitor;  
        crustShell.installScreen(...);  
        monitor.addListener(this);  
    }
```

```
    public void unbind() {  
        monitor.removeListener(this);  
        crustShell.uninstallScreen(...);  
    }
```

```
< ... Business logic ... >
```



## Requiring & Providing a Service



### component.xml

```
<component name=  
  "org.equininoxsgi.toast.client.emergency">  
  <implementation class= "org.equininoxsgi.toast.client.emergency.internal.bundle.Component"/>  
  <service>  
    <provide interface="org.equininoxsgi.toast.client.emergency.IEmergencyMonitor"/>  
  </service>  
  <reference  
    name="gps"  
    interface="org.equininoxsgi.toast.dev.gps.IGps"/>  
  <reference  
    name="airbag"  
    interface="org.equininoxsgi.toast.dev.airbag.IAirbag"/>  
</component>
```

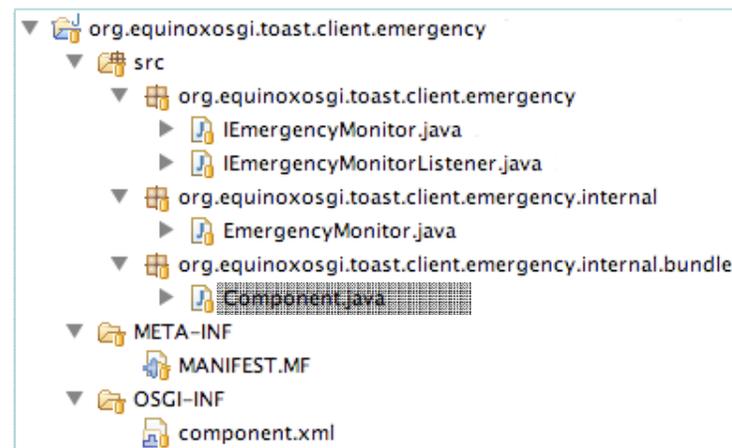


client.emergency

## Requiring & Providing a Service

### Component.java

```
public class Component implements IEmergencyMonitor {
    private EmergencyMonitor monitor;
    protected void activate(ComponentContext context) {
        IGps gps = (IGps) context.locateService("gps");
        IAirbag airbag = (IAirbag) context.locateService("airbag");
        monitor = new EmergencyMonitor();
        monitor.bind(gps, airbag);
    }
    protected void deactivate(ComponentContext context) {
        monitor.unbind();
    }
    public void emergency() {
        monitor.emergency();
    }
    public void addListener(IEmergencyMonitorListener listener) {
        monitor.addListener(listener);
    }
    public void removeListener(IEmergencyMonitorListener listener) {
        monitor.removeListener(listener);
    }
}
```



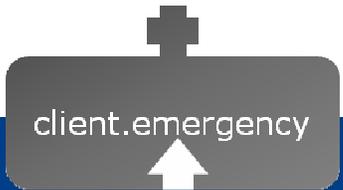
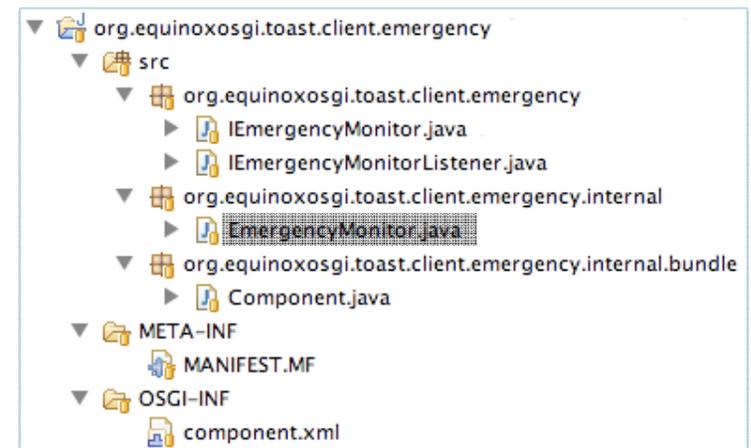
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## Requiring & Providing a Service

### EmergencyMonitor.java

```
public class EmergencyMonitor implements IAirbagListener, IEmergencyMonitor {
    private IGps gps;
    private IAirbag airbag;

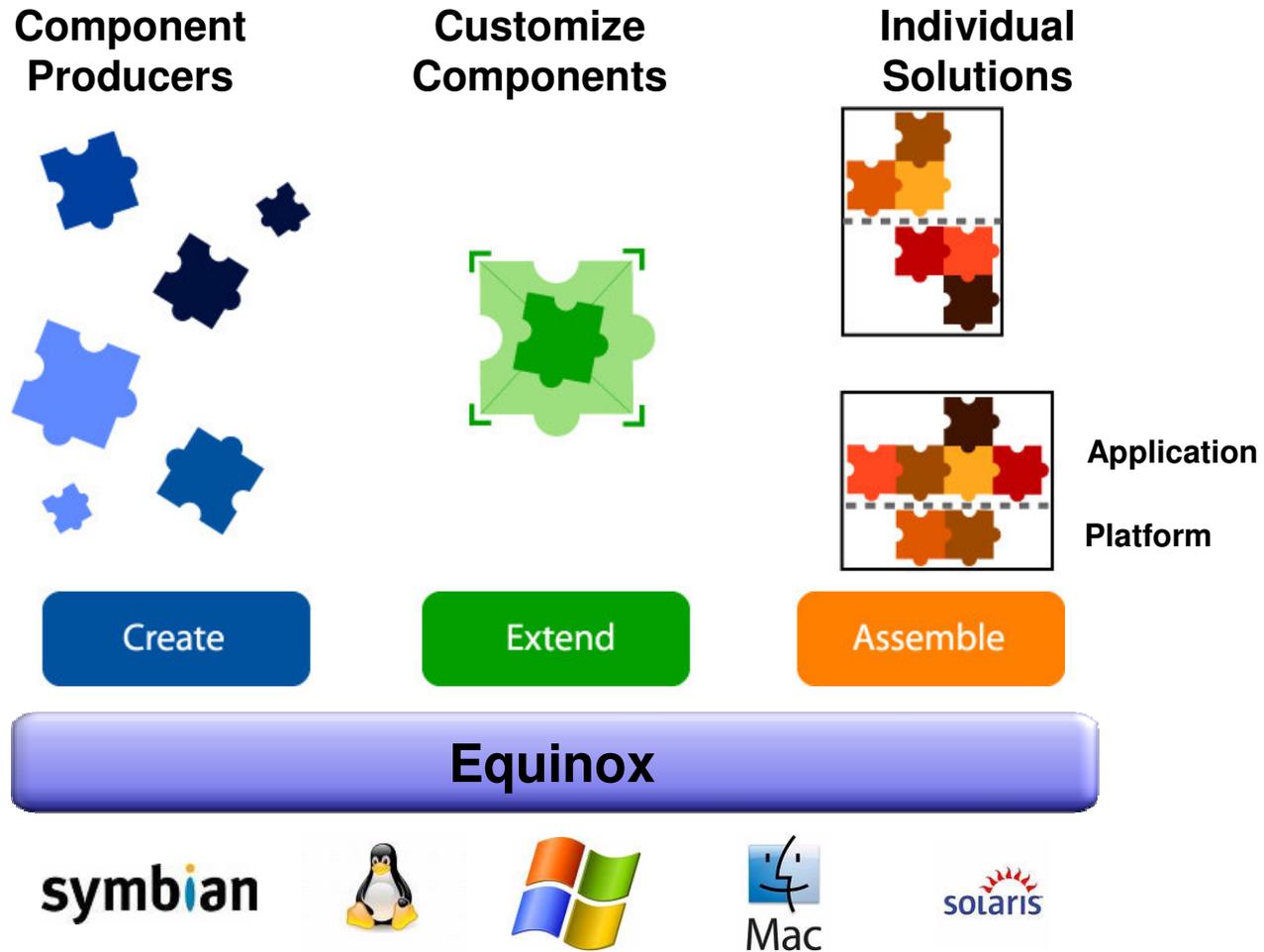
    public void setGps(IGps gps) {
        this.gps = gps;
    }
    public void setAirebag(IAirbag airbag) {
        this.airbag = airbag;
    }
    public void activate() {
        airbag.addListener(this);
    }
    public void deactivate() {
        airbag.removeListener(this);
    }
    < ... Business logic ... >
```



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## Broader Implications

# Component Oriented Development and Assembly



# EclipseSource



## Wrap-up

- Equinox is a platform for building platforms
- Platforms
  - ◆ Promote innovation that matters to you
  - ◆ Leave the “gorp” to others
- Equinox in the runtime space is real
  
- Stop coercing monolithic of-the-shelf stacks
- Start designing and assembling stacks just for you