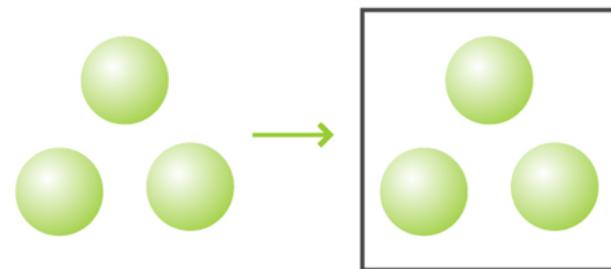




# **db4objects**

## Creator of db4o – the Open Source Object Database

Presentation for EclipseME Team  
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Christof Wittig, CEO db4objects  
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- | db4o is the world's most popular object database
- | Focus on embedded, zero-admin use
- | Open source / dual license business model
- | 20,000 registered developers (Java and .NET)
- | 100 commercial customers (Boeing, Ricoh, Seagate)

*"I stumbled into db4o's highly addictive ease of use and power [...] The savings are substantial even when you factor-in the cost associated with acquiring a commercial license*

## Introduction | db4o | The Product



### db4o is an embeddable, zero-admin database

- | Native to Java and .NET applications
- | Enables developers to store their application objects with only one line of code
- | Replaces traditional dual schema or O/R mapping approaches
- | Requires no DBA

### Saves significant time and corresponding cost; enables new types of distributed applications and makes software easier to maintain, refactor, and reuse

### db4o has a unique architecture which takes full advantage of Java and .NET's object-oriented programming paradigms

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## db4objects, Inc. | Company Key Facts

- | Founded in 2004
- | Headquarters in San Mateo, California (USA)
- | Global workforce in 5 continents
- | 20,000 community members, 100 contributors, 25 staff
- | Spun out of Stanford University
  - | CEO Christof Wittig
  - | CTO Carl Rosenberger
- | High profile backers
  - | Mark Leslie (Veritas)
  - | Vinod Khosla (Sun)
  - | Jerry Fiddler (Wind River)
  - | and others

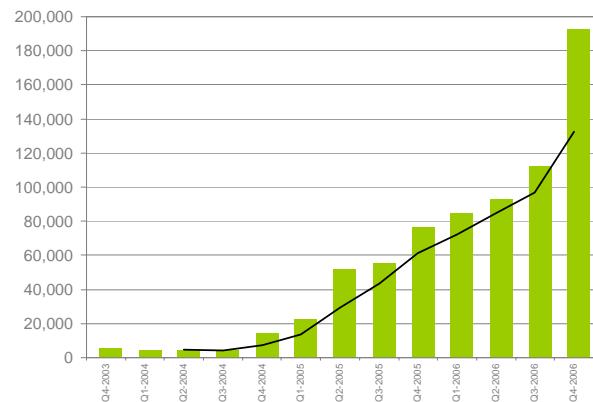


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## The Open Source Dual License Model



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**20,000 registered users**

**1,000 commercial leads**

**100 dDN subscriptions**

**30 runtime shipments**

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## Renown Customers



**RICOH**



**Indra**



**BOSCH**



**Hertz**



**SIEMENS**



**intel**<sup>®</sup>



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*"If you are sick of programming oo using a relational database or moreover an object-relational mapper then you have to try [...] db4o [...]. Check this out and enjoy! Once you have tried it out you do not want to use a relational database anymore."*

## Emerging Partner Network

### Commercial



# Novell.



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Spring Modules



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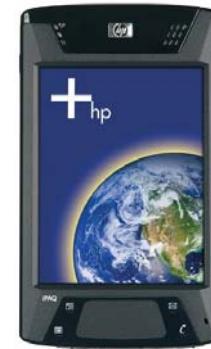
*"db4o a great, open source, OODB that can beat SQL Server anytime when it comes to persisting native objects.*

*No mapping, no nothing, store your object model, not a flat, relational model. It supports native queries (query in native C#).*

*Anyways, MS is still too hung up on the old RDBMS product and it shows. So 80's. :-)"*

## db4objects at Heart of “Triple Convergence”

Fast growth of  
embedded and smart  
device software



Open Source  
business models  
are validated

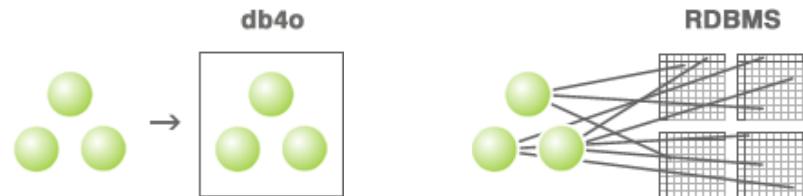


Java and .NET  
make OO  
mainstream



*"After experimenting with db4o I realized that object oriented databases have really the potential to boost up productivity by relieving the programmer of the burden of having to convert all the data between the relational and the object oriented world."*

## Object Persistence Options



### Serialization

- Requires loading full object graph into memory
- Cannot be partially retrieved/queried
- Breaks if the class model changes

### db4o

- Objects stored and retrieved as needed
- Full index and query capabilities
- Small footprint
- Zero admin.
- Native implementation (Java/.NET)

### RDBMS

- Mapping layer required to store/retrieve objects
- Resource intensive (memory/cpu)
- Slower performance
- Object class modifications require costly schema changes

*"I'm tossing and turning at night out of sheer excitement of the fact that I can store \_real\_ objects in a database, without OR mapping!"*

## db4o's Success Relies on 3 Key Benefits

- | **Slashes 90% of cost** to develop persistence
- | **10% faster to market** with your application
- | **Runs up to 55x faster** than conventional systems
  
- | Better memory management
- | More robust and economical than RYO solutions
- | Brings DBMS grade robustness to small devices
  
- | Deployable in large volumes without local administration
- | Build lean and truly object-oriented software
- | Build distributed, fully synchronized data architectures
- | Fewer errors, better refactorability and software longevity

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## db4o Key Features: The One-Line-of-Code-Database

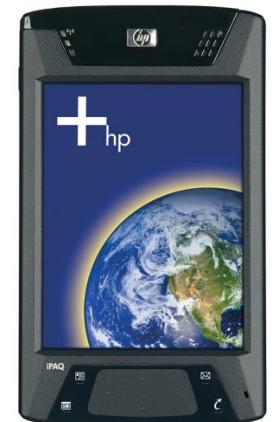
- | One line of code stores any object
- | Class model = object schema
- | Smooth production process

```
public void store(Car car) {  
    ObjectContainer db =  
        Db4o.openFile("car.yap");  
    db.set(car);  
    db.commit();  
    db.close();  
}
```

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## db4o Key Features: Embeddable

- | Easy deployment
  - | Simple deployment as a library/jar
  - | No separate database installation
- | Zero administration
  - | Hot backup
  - | Defragment
  - | Application-managed authorization
- | Automatic object schema versioning
  - | Database upgrades objects automatically to match current class definitions
- | Small memory footprint
  - | 350k JAR file size (expected to drop to 250k)



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## db4o Key Features: Multiple platform support

- | Runs natively in .NET and Java (**dll/jar**)
  - | .NET 1.1, 2.0
    - | Compact Framework 1.1, 2.0
    - | Mono
  - | Java 1.1.x through 5.0
    - | J2ME, CDC (Future support for CLDC/MIDP)
  - | Requires no IDE plug-ins or specialized compilers
    - | Visual Studio 2003, 2005
    - | Eclipse
    - | IDEA
  - | Easily leverage IDE code refactoring to maintain database queries and object code simultaneously
- | Mobile, PCs and servers
- | Runs cross-platform



*"I chose db4o as database-technology and this was the best choice ... I could have made for this project regarding the performance: my database-queries return in a few milliseconds, so updates of the GUI are almost instantly. ... no-one has to wait for anything anymore... thanks to db4o*

## db4o Key Features: Brings more OO to the database

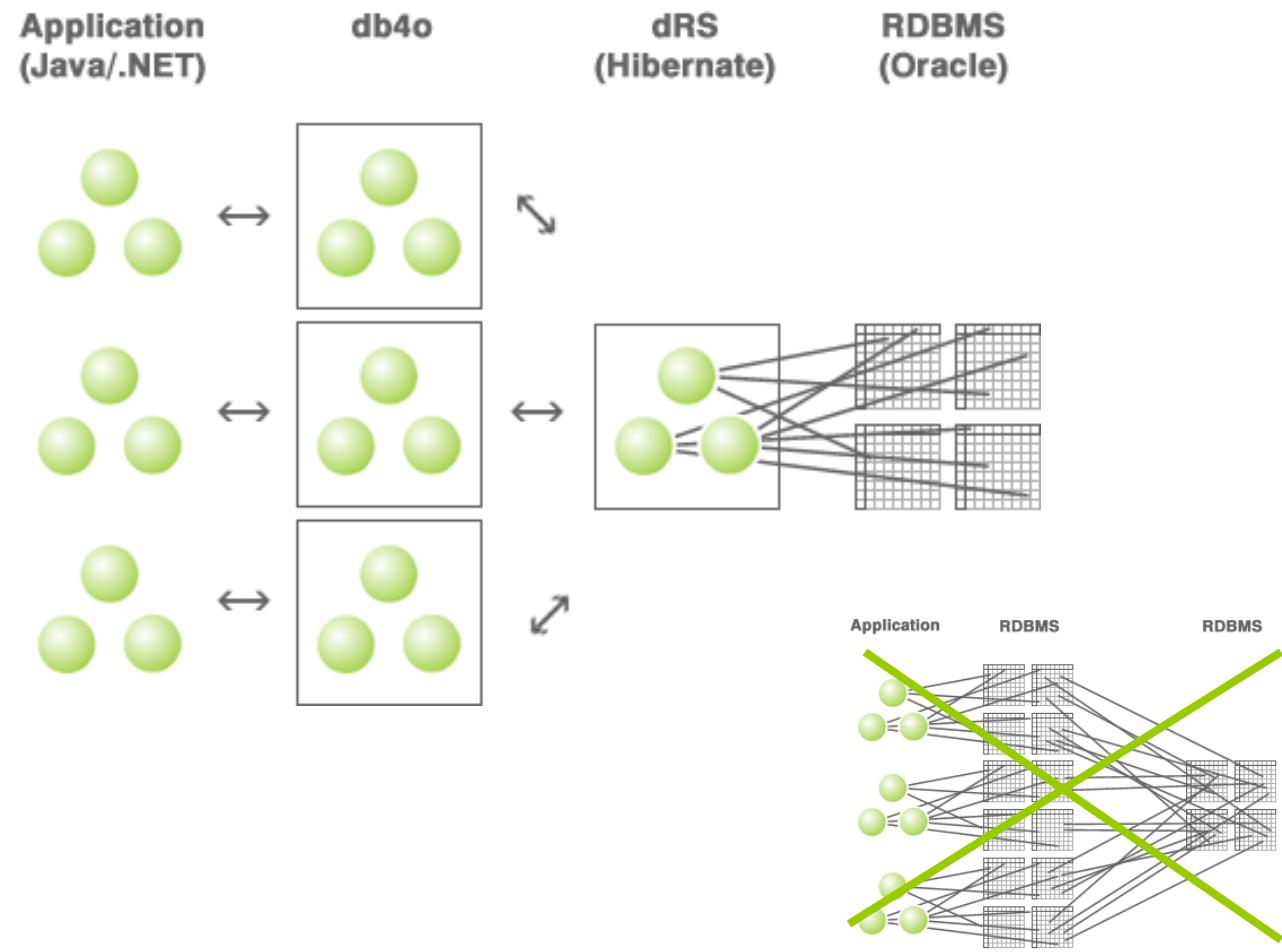
- | Object-oriented replication (dRS)
- | Object-oriented queries (Native Queries)
- | ObjectManager browser

```
List <Student> students = database.query <Student> ( new Predicate <Student> () { public boolean match(Student student){ return student.getAge() < 20 && student.getName().contains( "f" ); } } );
```

```
IList <Student> students = database.Query <Student> ( delegate(Student student){ return student.Age < 20 && student.Name.Contains( "f" ); } );
```

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## Object-oriented Replication



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## db4o Key Benefits: Performance! Performance!

- | 100% native implementation ensures fastest performance
- | Running the db4o engine in-process eliminates needless data transportation
- | Elimination of O/R Mapping logic allows db4o to run up to 44 times faster
- | Smart object caching gives huge boosts in performance when re-querying the same data
- | Integration with native garbage collection saves memory and reduces footprint when needed

## db4o Key Benefits: Reliability

- | Full ACID transaction model  
(Atomic, Consistent, Isolated, Durable)
- | Data transaction journaling ensures zero data loss  
in case of system failure
  - | Automatic data recovery after system failure
- | db4o core is thread-safe for simultaneous operations

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*"db4o... wow this is something else! the best bit of software I have seen since google earth [...]"*

*I now have my application working great, it's faster, easier and handles even bigger tables... and currently all in under 3 meg. [...]"*

*There is no going back!"*

## Target Market: Embeddable Java/.NET Databases

		Application	
		Data in DBA domain <b>"exposed DBMS"</b>	... in developer domain   zero-admin <b>"embedded DBMS"</b>
Programming language	Java and .NET	Oracle, MSFT, IBM  Direct Access or ORMs (Hibernate, Toplink)	 Oracle, MSFT, IBM BerkeleyDB, HSQL, Derby, Firebird
	C, C++, P*, others	Oracle, MSFT, IBM MySQL  Direct Access or ORMs	Oracle, MSFT, IBM BerkeleyDB, Encirq HSQL, Firebird, MySQL  Direct Access

"db4o rocks, db4o is just plain good technology [...]

It is purposeful, cool, fun, impressive, well coded - all sorts of good."

## Customers : Ricoh

# RICOH



- | Market leader in digital office solutions with \$17B of sales
- | Important Sun partner – here at JavaOne 2006
- | Project at headquarters in Tokyo, Japan
- | New product platform includes db4o

### Tatsuo Ito, new multi-functional platform team lead

*"db4o provides a persistence solution for our broad range of technical challenges and for our stringent quality standards. After a long period of evaluation, we found that db4o has the flexibility to fit our cutting-edge architectures, which aim to achieve better productivity in our object-oriented software development."*

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*"In combination with db4o I can't imagine a faster way to get a web 2.0 app up and running. [...] I promise you you'll fall out of your chair the first time you just call db.set(myReallyComplexObj) and everything works like a charm."*

## Customers : Intel



- | World's largest silicon company
- | Optimization of production planning and wafer forecasts in three Intel plants
- | Agility is key for Intel Project in Chandler, AZ

### Sean DeMartino, software engineer and XP coach

*"db4o will make application development much easier for our group. The OR mapper/SQL database alternative really did not allow us to do everything we needed and forced us to contort our application designs. By comparison, implementing with db4o was seamless and worked within our existing architecture."*

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*"If you think of a database system that can process thousands of updates in a few seconds. What hardware requirements do you think you need? No, that's not it...think smaller, think much more smaller. Maybe even more. Hello DB4O! This object database can run on your smart phone and still have the processing power that makes even a big Oracle database jealous."*

## Customers : Seagate



Storage solutions for the world

- | Leading storage company
- | Consumer electronic backup device for private individuals and SMBs
- | Retail product

### Robert Osaki, director of Mirra customer support

*"With db4o running seamlessly on the back end, supporting vast scalability and top-notch performance, the company's customer support caseload has been reduced by more than 10%"*

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## Customers : Boeing



| Leading aircraft manufacturer and defense company  
| MMA for U.S. Navy  
| db4o used on-board

| Boeing uses db4o for the P-8A Multi-Mission Maritime Aircraft, because the native object database required significantly lower database administration and improved developer productivity over conventional, non-native database solutions.

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## Customers : Bosch

# BOSCH



- | World market leader for H.P. packaging robots with \$600M in sales
- | db4o used for system control and configuration
- | First pilot rolled out in Tulsa, OK, to package 180 McDonald apple pies per minute!

### Sebastian Hubrich, XR31 project lead

*"Our biggest concern is shortening our commissioning time. The use of db4o on the data-backend has helped us to achieve a time-saving effect of at least 10% on each project."*

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*"In my eyes the developers of DB4O really got it. Have very low minimal hardware requirements, test the user experience against that and make the performance a big priority."*

## Customers : INDRA Sistemas



| After merger, now Europe's #3 IT shop with 18,000 employees and \$2B in sales

| Pilot user since 2002

| db4o used to run high speed train network in Spain (and soon more countries)

### José Miguel Rubio Sánchez, director railway systems

| *"Possibly the most important benefit is the ability to query with objects, enabling us to have a very complex Java OOD without requiring data transformation. Another key benefit is the zero maintenance environment, a must when designing real-time systems."*

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## Our Mission

**Make the life of software developers easier  
by providing a database,  
which simply matches the object world,  
and thus saves time and costs**



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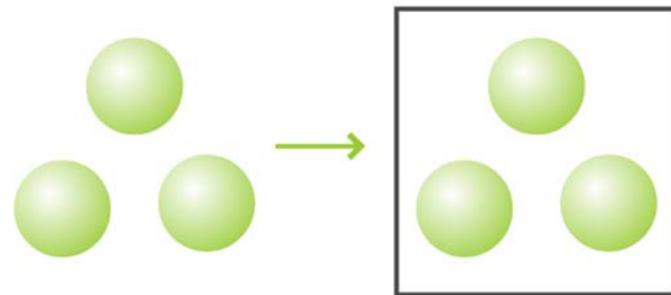
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**The leader in zero-admin databases for Java and .NET**

## More Information



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