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Introduction to Data Grids & Oracle Coherence

Lesson 1

Objectives

After completing this lesson, you should be able to:

- Describe Data Grid drivers
- Describe Oracle Coherence
- Explain how Coherence works
- Describe where to use Coherence
- Understand the Lab environment

Re-Thinking Application Infrastructure

Software Framework Pressures

- Service Oriented Architecture
- Web 2.0
- Event Driven Architecture
- Extreme Transaction Volumes

Hardware Capacity Impact

- Compute Power: SMP/Multicore
- Memory Arrives: "In Memory Option"
- Network Speed: Gbe/10G/IB
- Storage: Flexibility

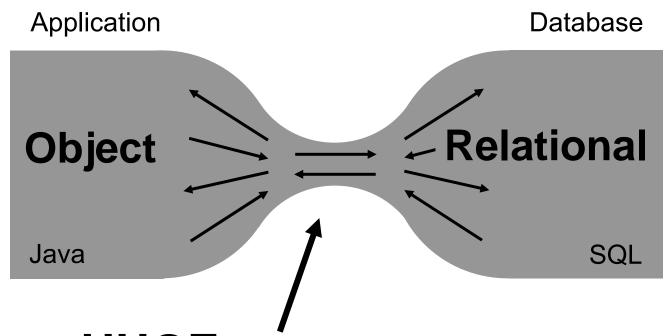
Enterprise Manageability Requirements

- Grid Automation
- Service Level Management
- Application Performance Mgmt
- Provisioning

Enterprise Infrastructure Requirements

- Scalability Capacity on Demand
- Performance Zero Latency
- Reliability Transactional Integrity
- Availability Continuous

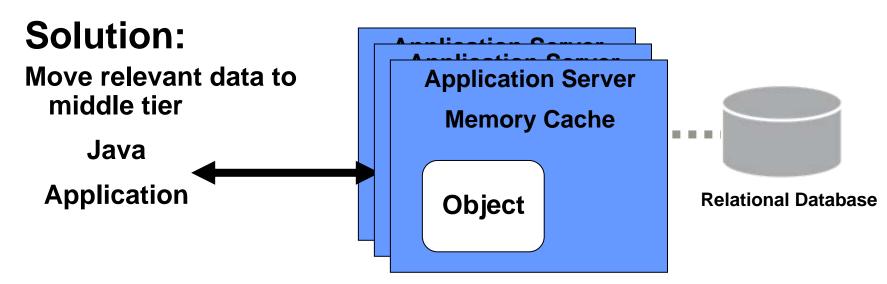
Why Go Outside the Database to Scale Java Applications?



A HUGE performance bottleneck:

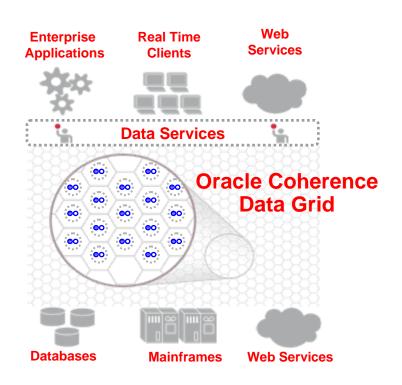
Volume / Complexity / Frequency of Data Access

Performance Bottleneck Between Tiers



- The Solution is to keep the object data in object form in high-speed distributed memory cache
- Database remains the system of record (persistence)

Oracle Coherence Data Grid



- Provides a reliable data tier with a single, consistent view of data
- Enables dynamic data capacity including fault tolerance and load balancing
- Ensures that data capacity scales with processing capacity

What is Oracle Coherence?

Cluster-based Data Management Solution for Applications

What is Oracle Coherence?

Or... Distributed Memory Data Management Solution (aka: Data Grid)

What is Oracle Coherence? It's Clustering!

Oracle Coherence Clustering is special... It means...

- Collection of processes (members) that work together
- All members have equal responsibility*
 - for the health of the cluster
- No static/tight coupling of responsibilities to hardware
- No masters and workers/slaves
- No centralized registries of data or services
- No single points of failure
- No single points of bottleneck

^{*}members may be asked to perform individual tasks... eg: Grid Agents

What is Oracle Coherence? Data

Data in Oracle Coherence...

- Any serializable* Object
- No proprietary classes to extend**
- Fully native Java & .NET interoperability (soon C++)
- No byte-code instruction or multi-layer facades
- Not forced to use Relational Models, Object-Relational-Mapping, SQL etc
- Just <u>real</u> POJOs and PONOs (soon POCOs)
 - Domain objects are fine!

^{*}serialization = writing to binary form

^{**} implementing specialized interfaces improves performance!

What is Oracle Coherence? Data

Data in Oracle Coherence...

- Different topologies for your Data
- Simple API for all Data, regardless of Topology
- Things you can do…
 - Distributed Objects, Maps & Caching
 - Real-Time Events, Listeners
 - Parallel Queries & Indexing
 - Data Processing and Service Agents (Grid features)
 - Continuous Views
 - Aggregation
 - Persistence, Sessions...

What is Oracle Coherence? Management Solution

Management Solution...

- Responsible for Clustering, Data and Service management, including partitioning
- Ideally engineers should not have to...
 - design, specify and code how partitioning occurs in a solution
 - handle Remote Exceptions
 - manage the Cluster, either manually or in code
 - shutdown the system to add new resources or repartition
 - use "consoles" to recover or scale a system.
- These are impediments to scaling cost effectively
- As #members → ∞, management cost should be C
 - Ideally log(#members)
- Clustering technology should be invisible in your solution!

What is Oracle Coherence? For Applications

It's for Applications!

- Oracle Coherence <u>doesn't</u> require a container / server
- A single library*
- No external / open source dependencies!
- Won't cause JAR / classloader hell (cf: DLL hell)
- Can be embedded or run standalone
- Runs where Java SE / EE, .NET runs
- Won't impose architectural patterns**

^{*} May require additional libraries depending on features required. EG: spring, web, hibernate, jta integration are bundled as separate libraries.

^{**} Though we do make some suggestions ©

Coherence & Other Oracle Products

RAC, Times Ten, Coherence, Web Cache



Application Tier

Database Tier





Cache



Servers

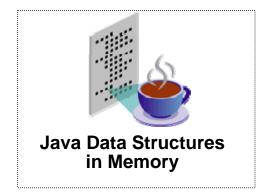












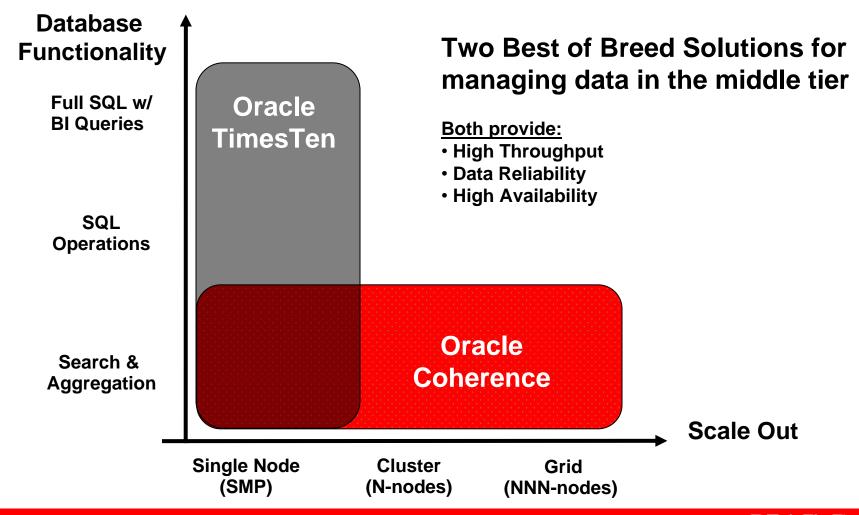
Coherence caches Java Structures in **Memory**; Very Fast Access to Java Data in Memory across Mid-**Tier Grid**



SQL Data Structures in Memory

Times Ten & RAC provide Scalability to **Database Data** improving Query & **Transaction Write Performance**

Coherence & TimesTen – Where Both Are Best Used



Oracle Coherence: Linear Scalability to Hundreds of Servers

Double the Servers –

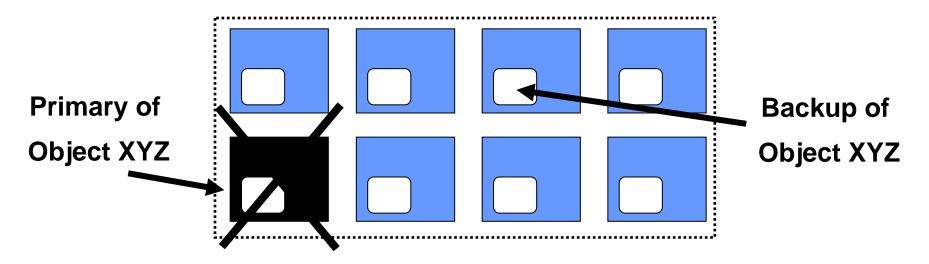
Double the Performance

Triple the Servers –

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Quadruple the Servers – Quadruple the Performance

Coherence: High Availability



Data is Never Lost, The Data Grid is Never Down, Administration is Not Required – Even When:

- Servers go down
- Network sections go down
- Servers are brought down and up for maintenance or upgrades
- Servers are dynamically added for scaling out

What Oracle Coherence isn't!

- It's not an in-memory-database
 - Though it's often used for transactional state and as a transient system-of-record
 - Used for eXtreme Transaction Processing
- You can however:
 - Do queries in a parallel but not restricted to relationalstyle (it's not a RDBMS)
 - Use SQL-like queries
 - Perform indexing (like a DB)
 - Do things like Stored Procedures
 - Establish real-time views (like Materialized Views)

What Oracle Coherence isn't!

- It's not a messaging system
 - You can use Events and Listeners for data inserts, updates, deletes
 - You can use Agents to handle data changes
 - You can use Filters to filter events
- It's not "just" a Cache!
 - Caches expire data!
 - Customers actually turn expiry off!
 - Why do they take that risk? Why do we let them?
 - Data management is based on reliable clustering technology. It's stable, reliable and highly available

What is Oracle Coherence?

Dependable, resilient, scalable cluster technology

that

enables developers to effortlessly cluster stateful applications

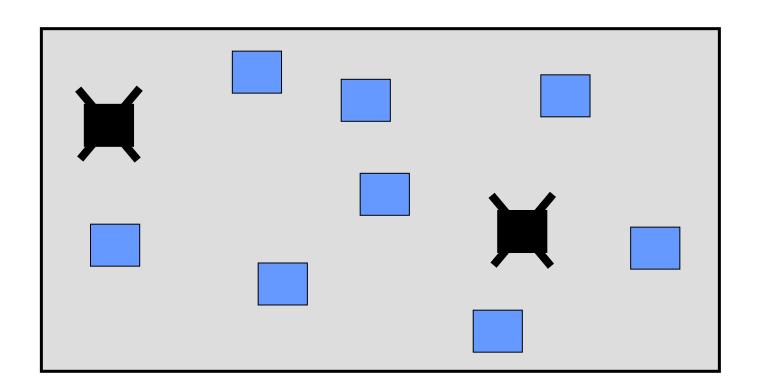
so they can

dynamically and reliably share data, provide services and respond to events

to

scale-out solutions to meet business demand.

How Coherence Works Consensus: All members know who is on the grid at all times



Clustering is about Consensus!

Oracle Coherence Clustering is very different!

<u>Goal:</u>

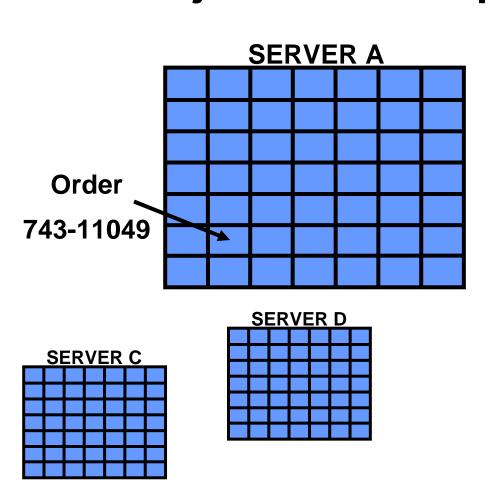
- Maintain Cluster Membership Consensus all times
- Do it as fast as physically possible
- Do it without a single point of failure or registry of members
- Ensure all members have the same responsibility and work together to maintain consensus
- Ensure that <u>no voting</u> occurs to determine membership

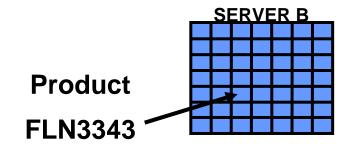
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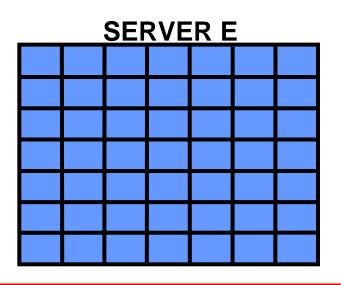
Why: If all members are always known...

- We can partition / load balance Data & Services
- We don't need to hold TCP/IP connections open (resource intensive)
- Any member can "talk" directly with any other member (peer-to-peer)
- The cluster can dynamically (while running) scale to any size

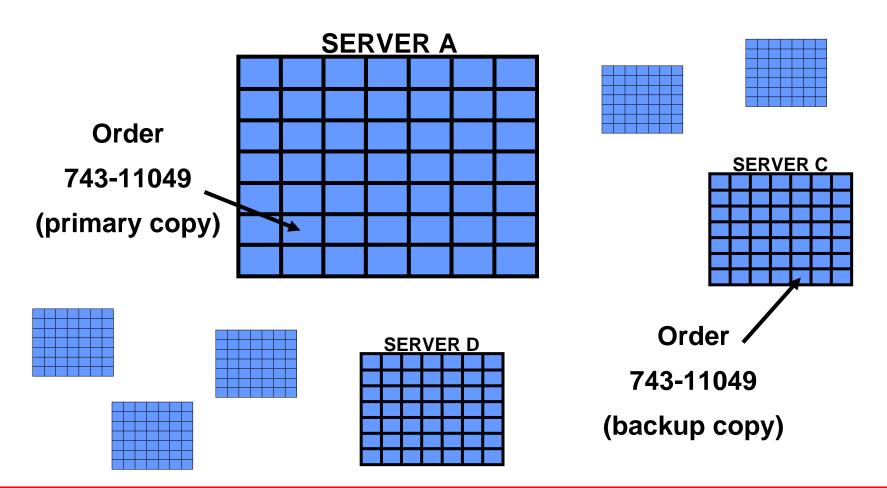
How Coherence Works Object Cache Maps







How Coherence Works Redundancy for High Availability



Clustered Hello World...

```
public void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
   NamedCache nc = CacheFactory.getCache("test");
   nc.put("key", "Hello World");
   System.out.println(nc.get("key"));

   System.in.read(); //may throw exception
}
```

- Joins / Establishes a cluster
- Places an Entry (key, value) into the Cache "test" (notice no configuration)
- Retrieves the Entry from the Cache.
- Displays it.
- "read" at the end to keep the application (and Cluster) from terminating

Clustered Hello World...

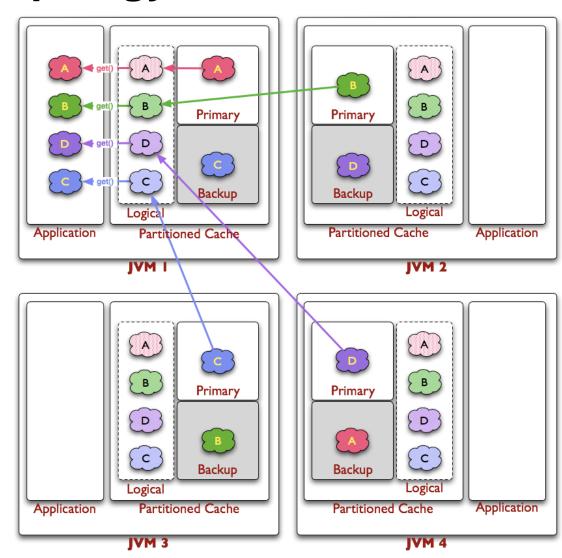
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- Retrieves the Entry from the Cache.
- Displays it
- Start as many applications as you like... they all cluster the are able to share the values in the cache

Partitioned Topology: Data Access

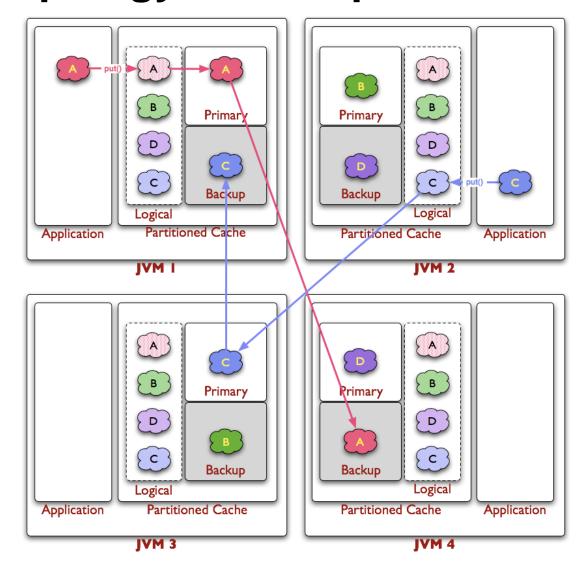
- Oracle Coherence provides many Topologies for Data Management
- Local, Near, Replicated, Overview, Disk, Off-Heap, Extend (WAN), Extend (Clients)

- Data spread and backed up across Members
- Transparent to developer
- Members have access to all Data
- All Data locations are known – no lookup & no registry!



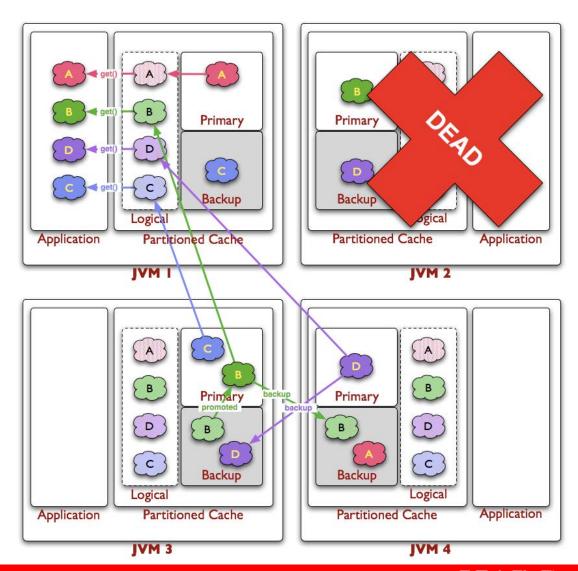
Partitioned Topology: Data Update

- Synchronous Update
- Avoids potential Data Loss & Corruption
- Predictable Performance
- Backup Partitions are partitioned away from Primaries for resilience
- No engineering requirement to setup Primaries or Backups
- Automatically and Dynamically Managed



Partitioned Topology: Recovery

- Membership changes (new members added or members leaving)
- Other members, <u>in</u> <u>parallel</u>, recover / repartition
- No in-flight operations lost
- Some latencies (due to higher priority of recovery)
- Reliability, Availability, Scalability, Performance are the priority
- Degrade performance of some requests



- Deterministic latencies for data access and update
- Linearly scalable by design
 - Including Capacity
- All operations point-to-point (without multi-cast)
- No TCP/IP connections to create / maintain
- No loss of in-flight operations while repartitioning
- No requirement to shutdown cluster to
 - recover from member failure
 - add new members
 - add named caches
- No network exceptions to catch during repartitioning
- Dynamic repartitioning means scale-out on demand

Features: Traditional

- Implements Map interface
 - Drop in replacement. Full concurrency control. Multithreaded. Scalable and resilient!

```
get, put, putAll, size, clear, lock, unlock...
```

- Implements JCache interface
 - Extensive support for a multitude of expiration policies, including <u>none!</u>
- More than "just a Cache". More than "just a Map"

Features: Observable Interface

- Real-time filterable (bean) events for entry insert, update, delete
- Filters applied in parallel (in the Grid)
- Filters completely extensible
- A large range of filters out-of-the-box:

```
All, Always, And, Any, Array, Between, Class, Comparison, ContainsAll, ContainsAny, Contains, Equals, GreaterEquals, Greater, In, InKeySet, IsNotNull, IsNull, LessEquals, Less, Like, Limit, Never, NotEquals, Not, Or, Present, Xor...
```

Events may be synchronous*

```
trades.addMapListener(
  new StockEventFilter("ORCL"),
  new MyMapListener(...);
```

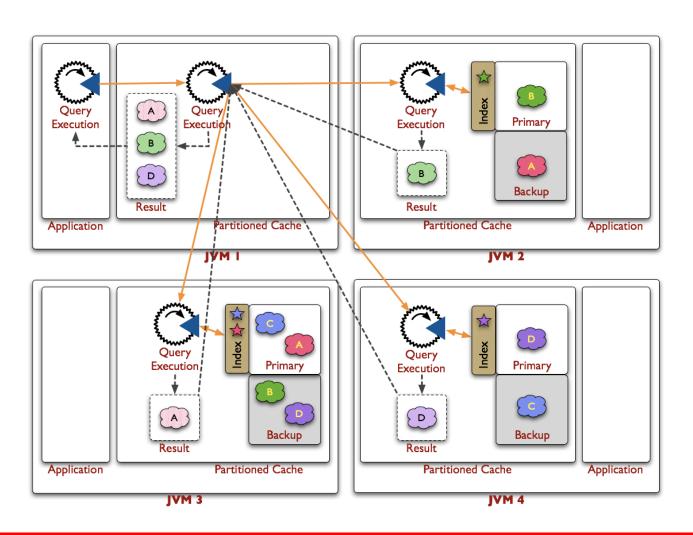
Features: QueryMap Interface

Find Keys or Values that satisfy a Filter.

```
entrySet(...), keySet(...)
```

- Define indexes (on-the-fly) to extract and index any part of an Entry
- Executed in Parallel
- Create Continuous View of entries based on a Filter with real-time events dispatch
 - Perfect for client applications "watching" data

Features: QueryMap Interface



Features: InvocableMap Interface

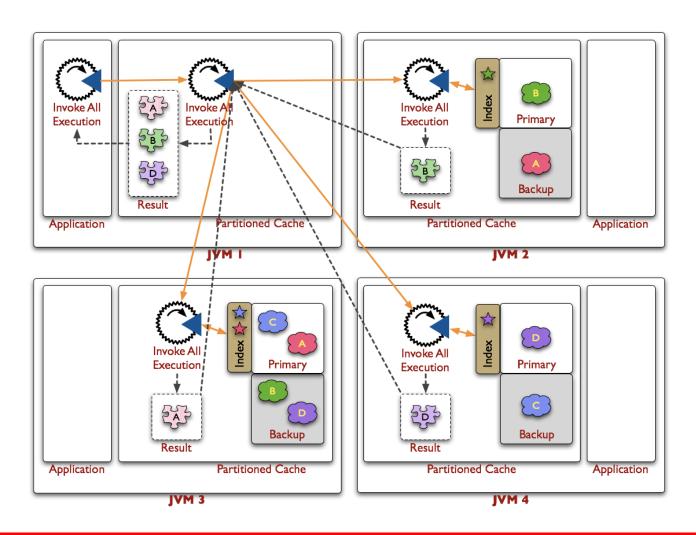
- Execute processors against an Entry, a Collection or a Filter
- Executions occur in parallel (aka: Grid-style)
- No "workers" to manage!
- Processors may return any value

```
trades.invoke(
    new EqualsFilter("getSecurity","ORCL"),
    new StockSplit(2.0));
```

Aggregate Entries based on a Filter

```
positions.aggregate(
    new EqualsFilter("getSecurity","ORCL"),
    new SumFilter("amount"));
```

Features: InvocableMap Interface



Data Source Integration (customizable per cache)

Read Through: Read from CacheLoader when data not in grid

Write Through: Write to CacheStore when data inserted, updated, removed in grid

Write Behind: Asynchronous and coalesced updates to CacheStore when data inserted, updated, deleted in grid

Session Management

Oracle Coherence Web = drop-in replacement to reliably cluster and scale out session management (Java and .NET) across a grid

Direct Data Integration:

- **Oracle Coherence Behind:** Use Oracle Coherence as L2 cache for OR/M (Hibernate)
- **Oracle Coherence To-The-Side:** Application manages Data CRUD in Oracle Coherence next to OR/M
- Oracle Coherence On-Top: Oracle Coherence is System of Record.

 Use CacheLoaders and CacheStores to integrate with Data Sources

Service Integration:

- **Oracle Coherence WorkManager:** Use Oracle Coherence to resiliently manage and execute "tasks" across the members.
- **Invocation Service:** Directly use Oracle Coherence Invocation Service to execute tasks on individual, sets or all members (sync or async)

Spring Integration:

Data Grid For Spring:

Data Grid Spring Beans managed by Oracle Coherence. Beans become shared singletons and offer both Data and Services to Spring Applications

Spring Applications naturally become clustered, including cluster events to determine cluster membership changes

Expose Oracle Coherence Caches as Beans in Spring Configuration

Provide:

Push / Pull data model based on subscription and event notification

Client / Data Grid model where clients connect to Oracle Coherence for data and services

- Scale-out stateful applications
- "If you need business agility!"
- Save resources!
 - Avoid managing clusters
 - Avoid designing systems around specialized "cluster masters"
 - Avoid manually "coding in" data and service partitions
- If you want to share a collection of Data and Services
 - Oracle Coherence does more than just Caching!
 - Oracle Coherence manages clusters
 - Oracle Coherence can manage a Grid
 - Oracle Coherence can manage your data in a Grid
 - Oracle Coherence can provide your services within a Grid to clients
- If you want truly native language support! No wrappers or embedded third-party libraries

- If you want predictable scale-out costs, without recoding or reconfiguring!
- If you want the most trusted and recognized best-ofbreed clustering and Data Management platform <u>inside</u> your solutions.
- If you want a platform on which to reliably perform eXtreme Transaction processing



Caching

Applications request data from the Data Grid rather than backend data sources



Analytics

Applications ask the Data Grid questions from simple queries to advanced scenario modeling



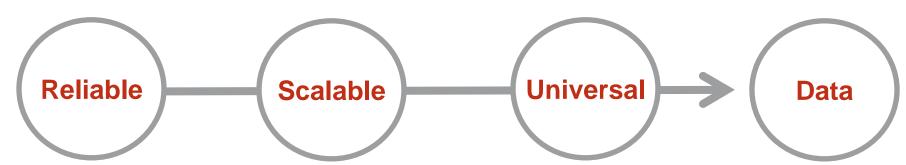
Transactions

Data Grid acts as a transactional System of Record, hosting data and business logic



Events

Automated processing based on event



- Built for continuous operation
- Data Fault Tolerance
- Self-Diagnosis and Healing
- "Once and Only Once" Processing

- Dynamically Expandable
- No data loss at any volume
- No interruption of service
- Leverage Commodity Hardware
- Cost Effective

- Single view of data
- Single management view
- Simple programming model
- Any Application
- Any Data Source

- Data Caching
- Analytics
- Transaction Processing
- Event Processing

Lab Environment

- Software requirements
 - Oracle Coherence
 - JDeveloper 11g (or Eclipse if you prefer)
 - Lab workbook
 - OracleXE (only required for additional labs)
- We will build various examples which will help you to understand the many potential applications of Oracle Coherence

Summary

In this lesson, you should have learned how to:

- Describe Data Grid drivers
- Describe Oracle Coherence
- Explain how Coherence works
- Describe where to use Coherence
- Understand the Lab environment

Labs 1 & 2

- Lab 1
 - Install Oracle Coherence and configure JDeveloper 11g for the course labs
- Lab 2
 - Run the sample Coherence application

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