



# Defining and Packaging ABL services for PASOE

Beyond The Code Series

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# Application Architectures

## Service Interfaces

## Deployment Levels

## Deployment packages

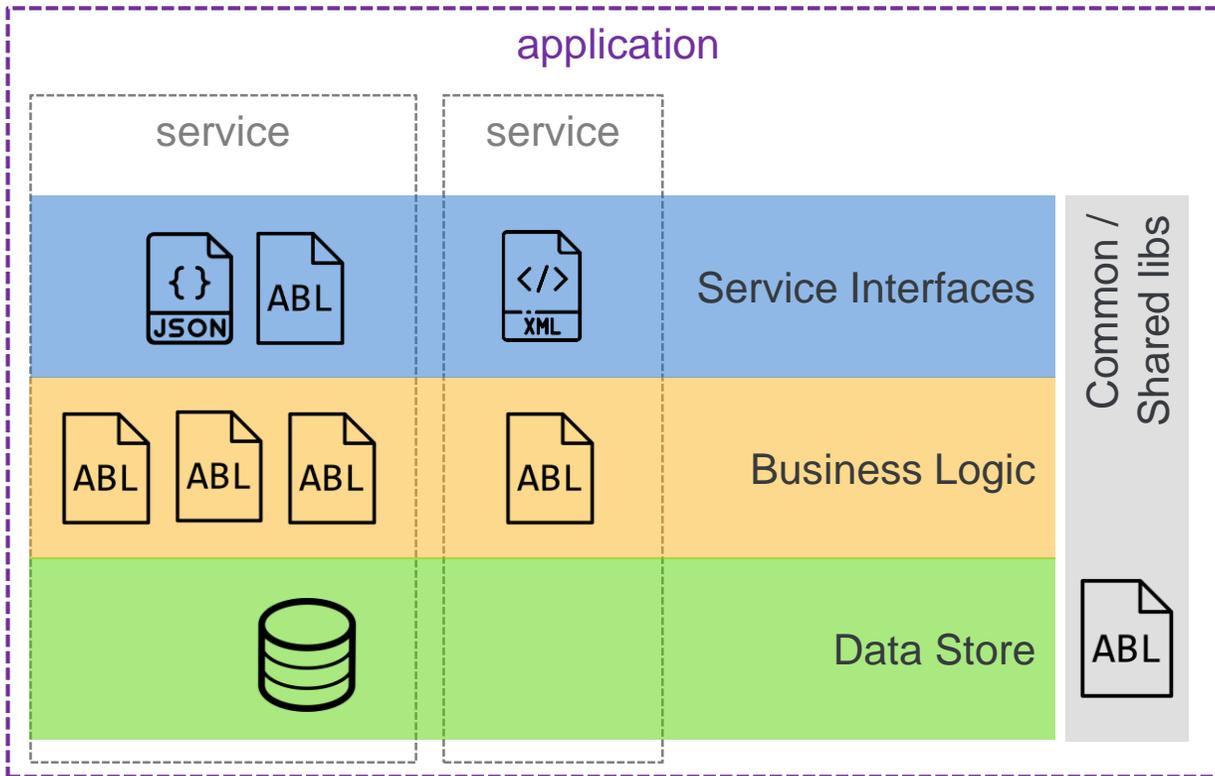
This is NOT how-to

- Write applications
- Secure applications
- Monitor/administer instances

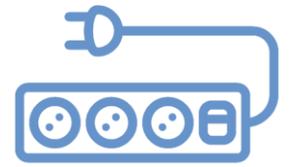


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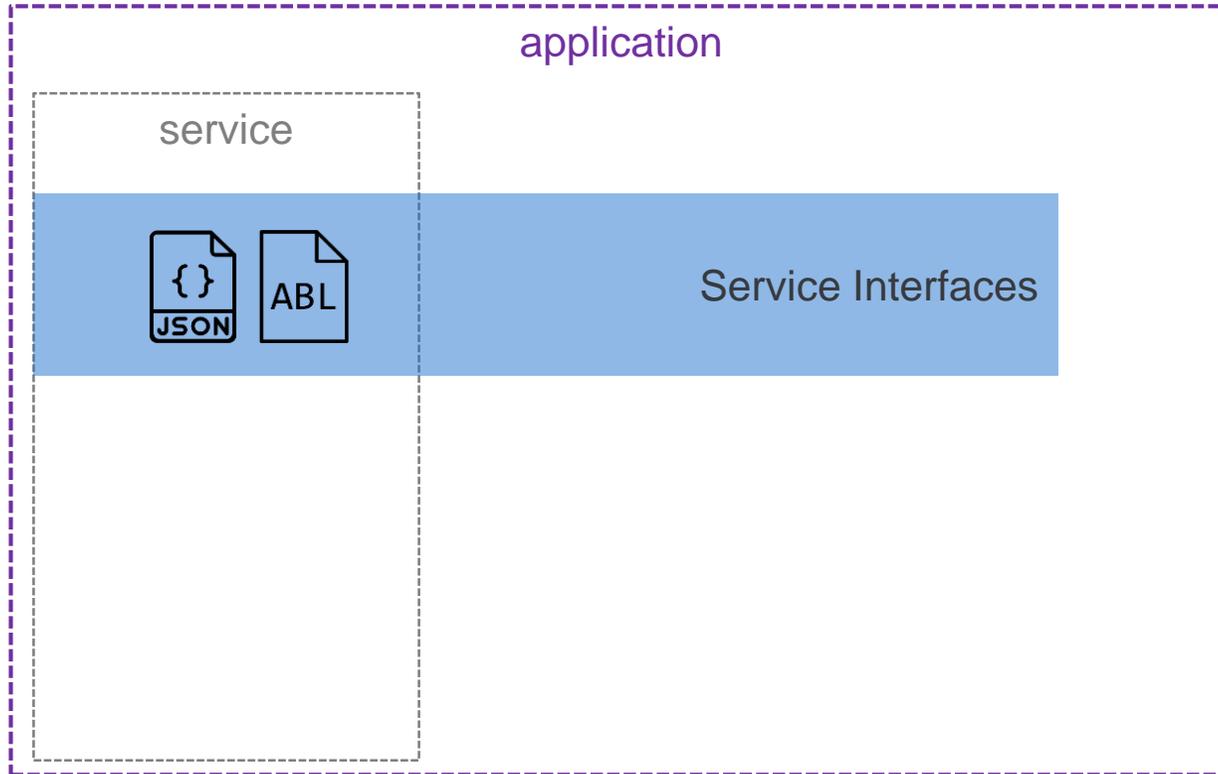
# Business Application Architecture



- An application consists of at least this set of logical components
  - Service Interfaces
  - Business Logic
  - Data Store(s)
  - Common libraries, incl \$DLC
- Deployable artifacts are
  - ABL code, loose or in PLs
  - Service descriptors
  - Databases and/or schema (.DF) & data (.D)
  - Security configuration
  - Other configuration files
  - Scripts to tailor, set env vars



# Business Application Architecture



A service consists of a client-specific API and a Service Interface

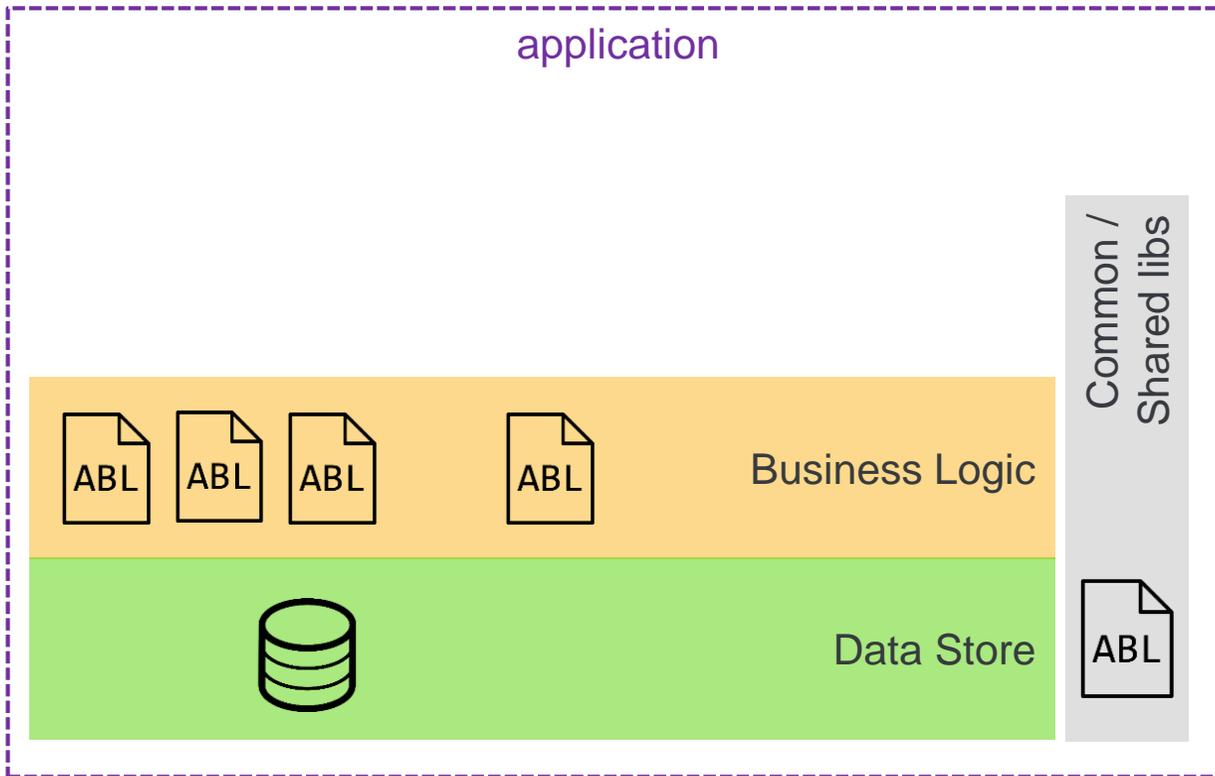
- WebApp provides the API
- ABL Service provides the Service Interfaces

The API is a set of endpoints (URIs), methods, schemas, protocols that specific clients know how to talk.

Service interfaces provide the translation layer between a request and the underlying business services

- Provide authentication and authorization and error handling
- Translate input / output formats to and from business logic

# Business Application Architecture



Business domain logic like tax calculations, master data maintenance, order entry, MRP ...

Systems-of-record data in one or more OE databases

Common or shared libraries typically contain generic code that is needed for an application but provides no direct business value

# Service Interface Approaches

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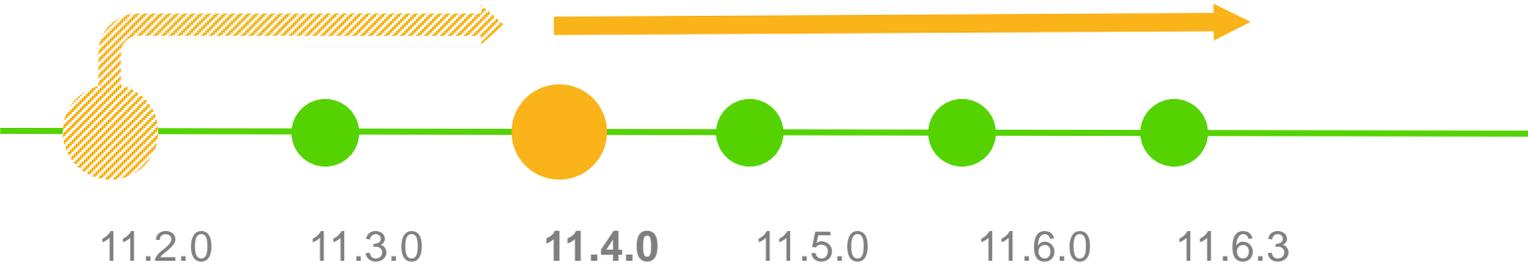
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REST (Mapped RPC)

WebHandler

DataObjectHandler

- Formerly Mobile Services
- Annotate certain methods (w/ particular signatures)
- Very prescriptive
  - Programming model
  - URI paths
  - Content types (JSON)
- Uses REST transport
- Creates Data Service Catalog as public API
- Service descriptors in java



# Service Interface Approaches



- WEB-transport variant
- Annotate certain methods (w/ particular signatures)
- Still very prescriptive
- More flexibility in mapping
- Creates Data Service Catalog as public API
- Service descriptors in ABL



# Service Interface Approaches

Data Object (REST)

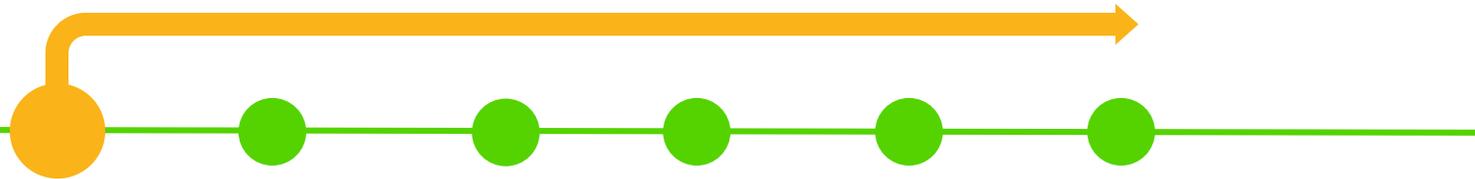
Data Object (WebHandler)

**REST (Mapped RPC)**

WebHandler

DataObjectHandler

- Formerly REST Services
- Graphical mapping tool
- Uses REST transport
- Flexible in URI paths
- Limited content types (JSON)
- Service descriptors in java



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11.6.3

# Service Interface Approaches

Data Object (REST)

Data Object (WebHandler)

REST (Mapped RPC)

**WebHandler**

DataObjectHandler

- Associate an OOABL WebHandler class with a URI pattern
- Uses WEB transport
- VERY flexible, URI is all yours
- Do whatever you want in code/ABL
- Service descriptors in ABL
- In-the-box versions
  - `OpenEdge.Web.WebHandler`
  - `OpenEdge.Web.CompatibilityHandler`
  - `OpenEdge.Web.DefaultHandler`
  - `OpenEdge.Web.PingWebHandler`



# Service Interface Approaches

Data Object (REST)

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WebHandler

**DataObjectHandler**

- Pre-built generic WebHandler
- Effectively a WebHandler-based version of Mapped RPC
- Mapping defined in JSON file
- Very flexible
  - Programming model
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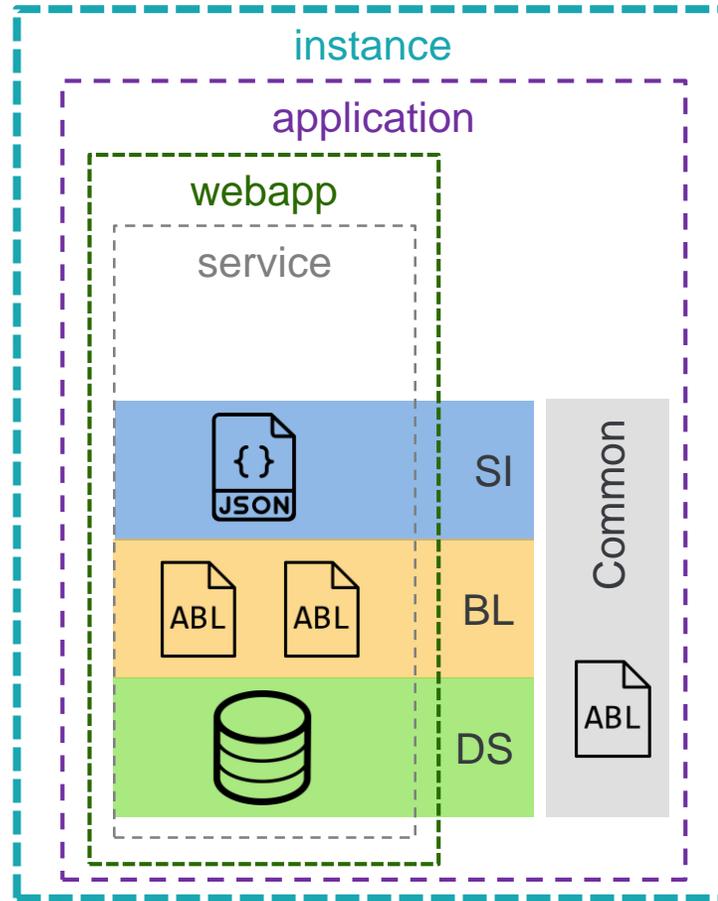
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# Instance application configuration

# Basic 1+1+1

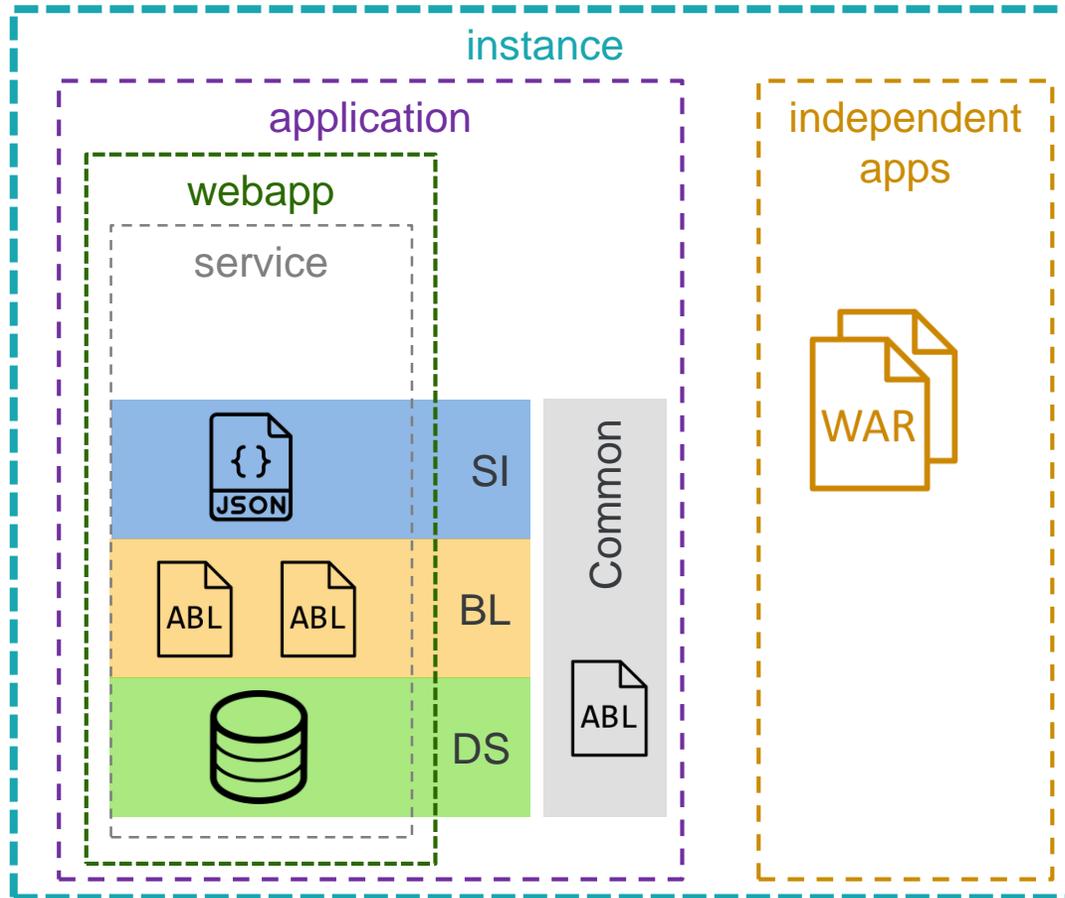


The simplest runnable PASOE configuration

- 1 instance
  - 1 application
  - 1 webapp and 1+ services
- What you get when you create an instance using `tcman create`



# Extras (all configs)



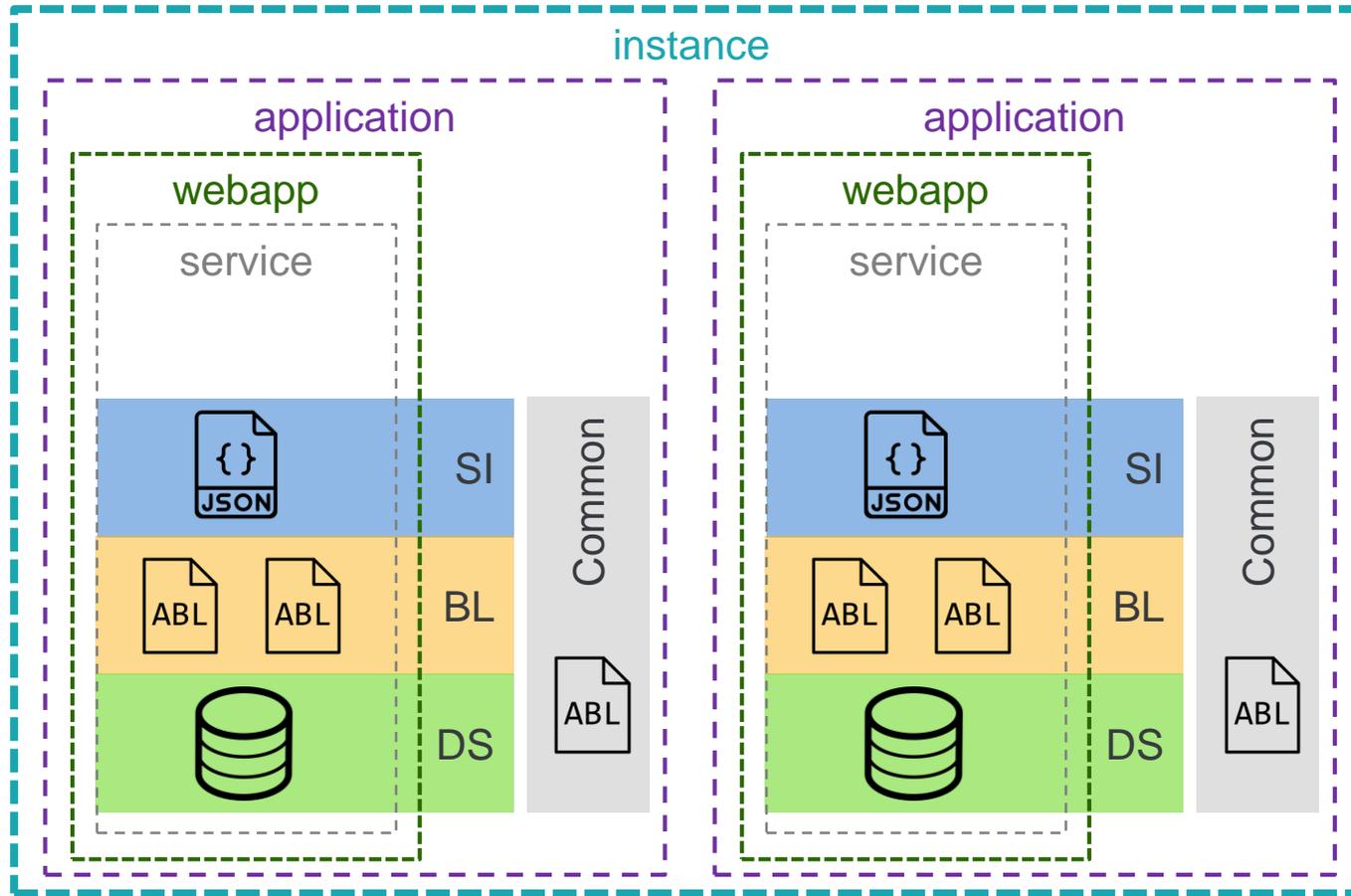
Extend functionality using independent\* apps

- oemanager
- oehealth
- oedbg
- (Tomcat) manager
- Corticon
- Web UI

\* don't run ABL business logic

Some are shipped in [\\$DLC/servers/pasoe/extras](#)

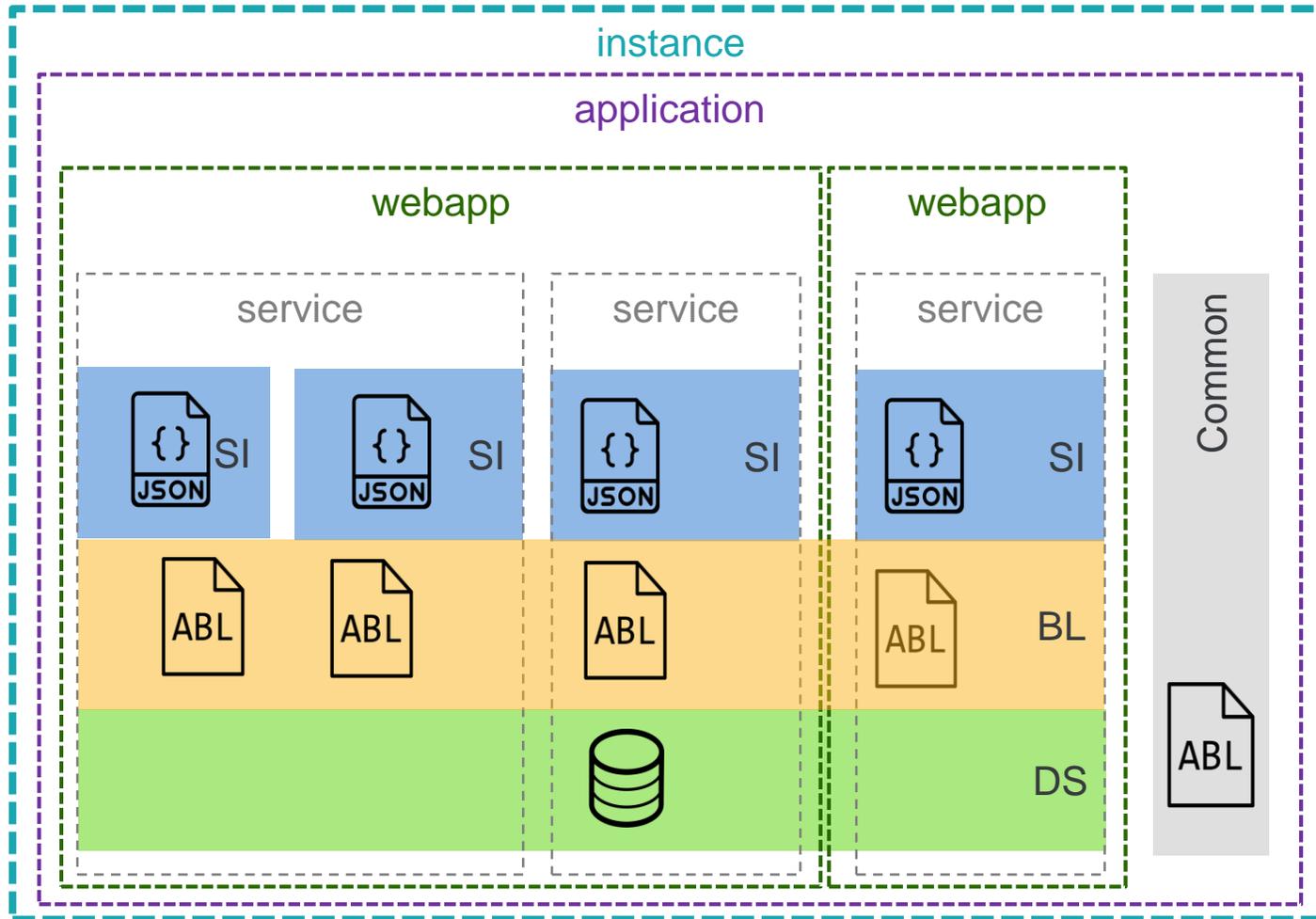
# $n$ Apps



An instance can support many applications, where  $n$  is bound by CPU & memory

- 1 app per instance
  - Max scalability, flexibility, simplicity
- Many apps per instance
  - "Family" of apps vendor
  - Developer environment
  - Small deployments (limited resources: physical & people)

# m Webapps



Services form part of URL space

- Service boundaries are authentication boundaries, enforced by webapp
- Webapps contain many ABL services

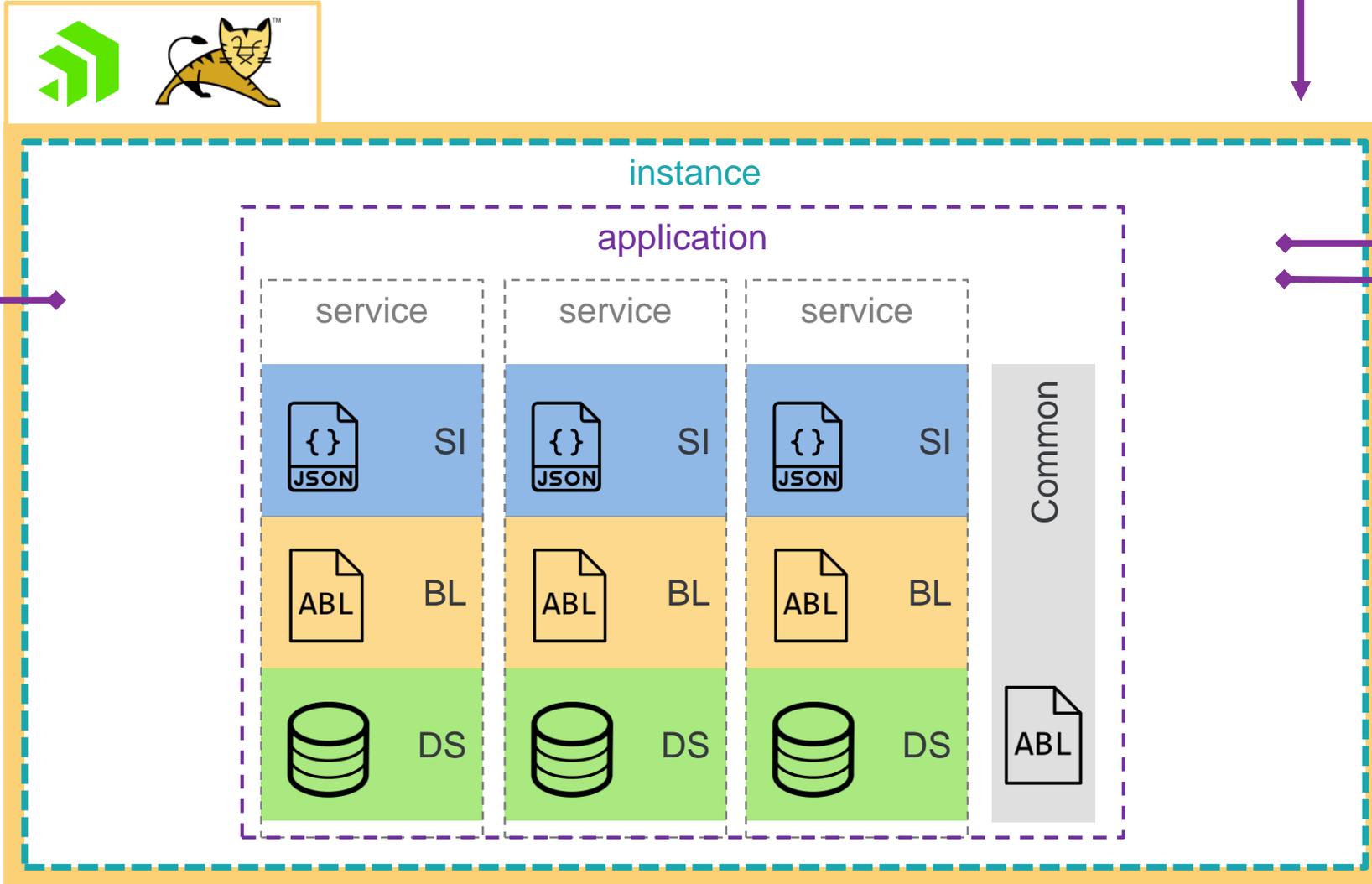
Apps may also have many services for separation-of-concerns

- Service definitions are responsibility of developers and devops / admins

# Running instance



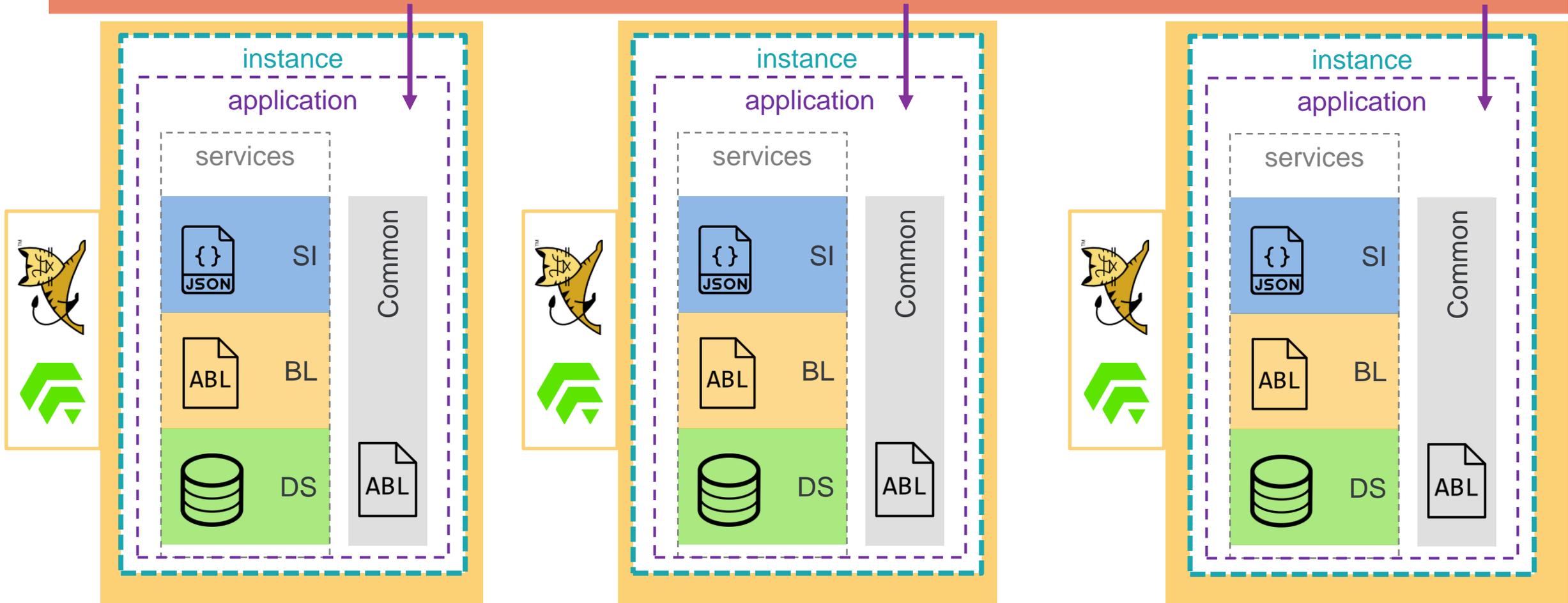
External systems



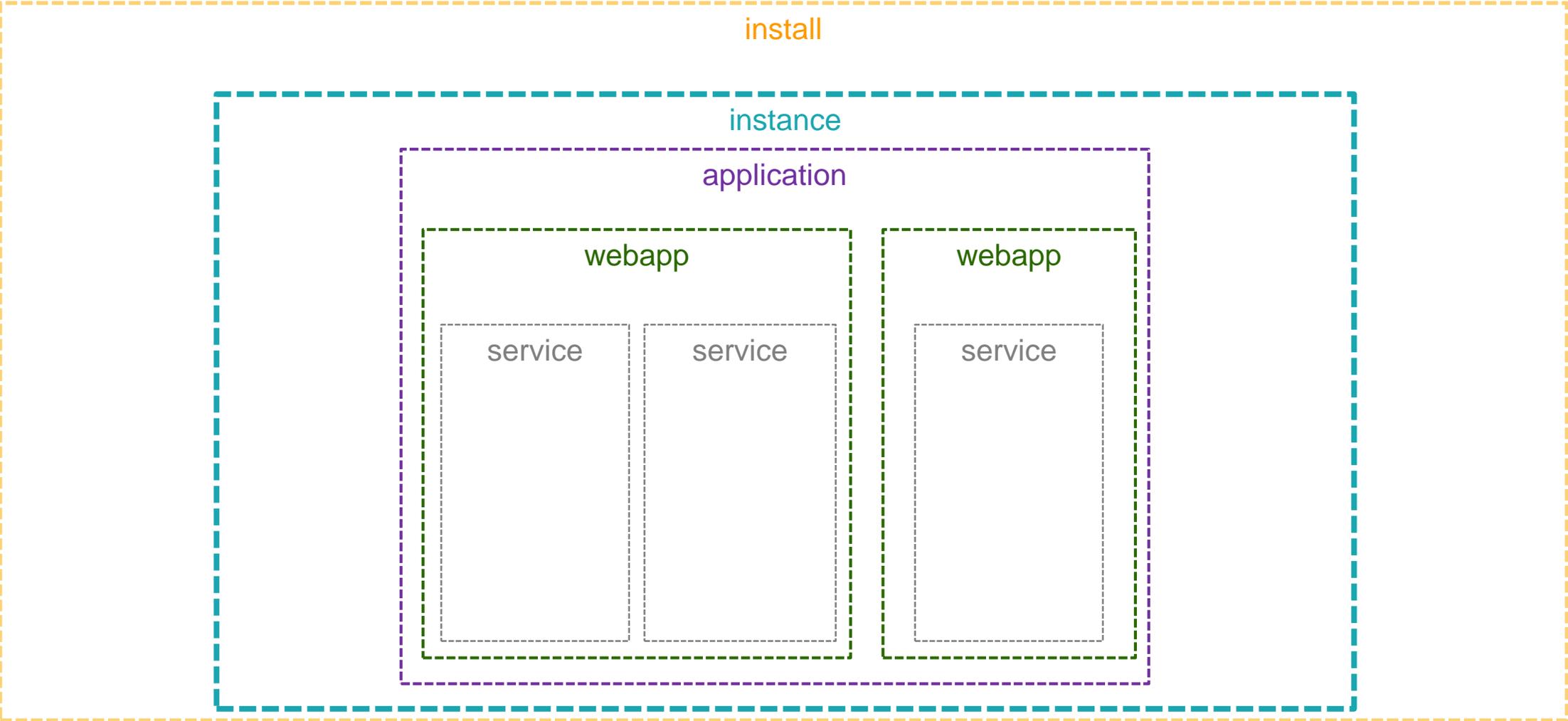
# Load-balanced



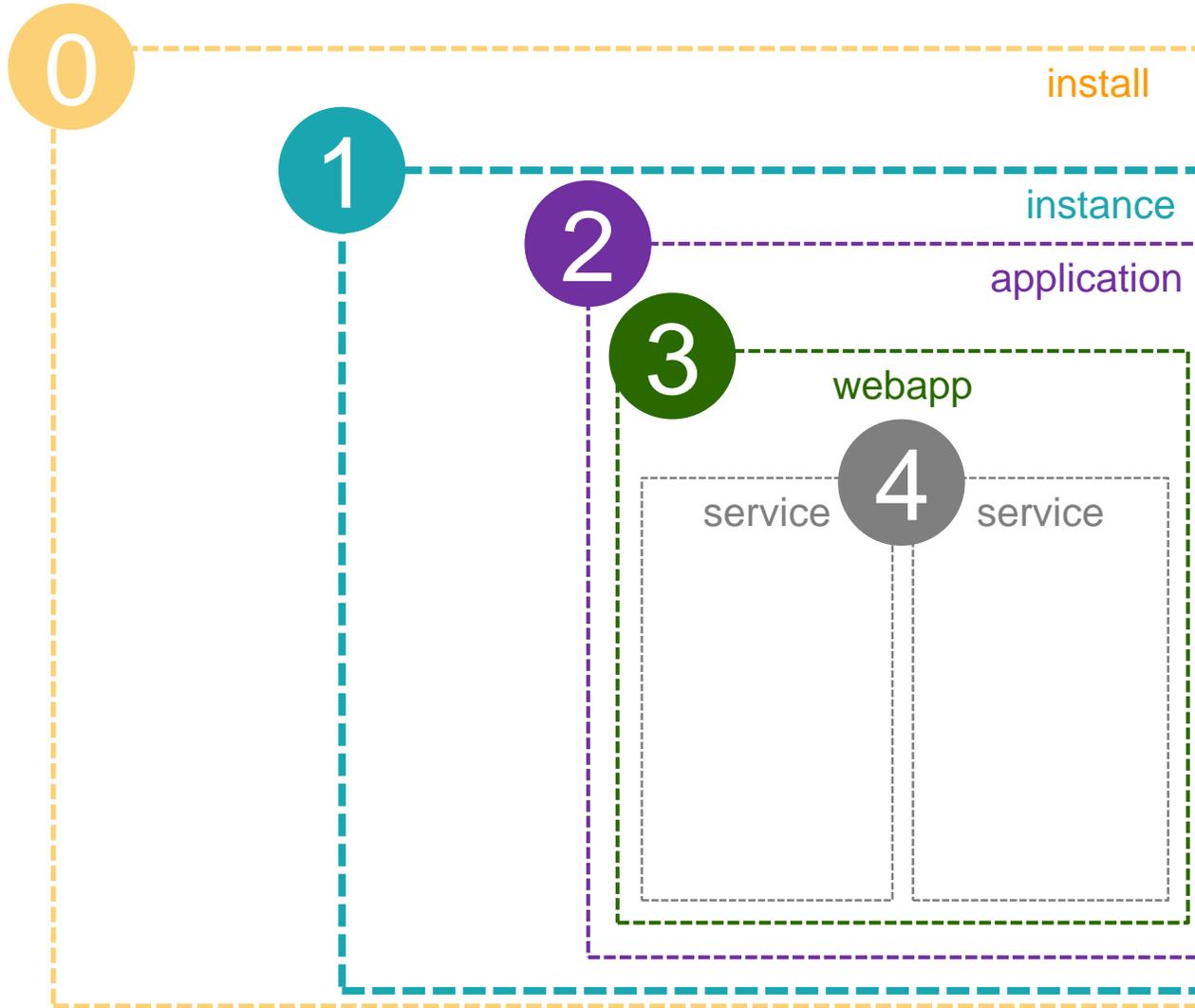
Load balancer / API Gateway / Reverse proxy



# Deployment levels



# Deployment levels



## 0 Install

Affects all of the instances on a machine/container.  
\$DLC, you all know and love it; runs ABL and the DB.  
\$CATALINA\_HOME contains the Tomcat exe's

## 1 Instance

An instance runs one or more business applications. It may also run other Tomcat webapps and controls load balancing & failover.

## 2 ABL Application

A business application, as defined by a PROPATH, database connection(s), agent configuration(s) and their executable AVM sessions. It contains one or more ABL webapps

## 3 ABL Webapp

A secured set of services that provide access into the ABL application. A webapp provides a name and (primarily) authentication services, and contains one or more ABL services

## 4 ABL Service

A service interface (often ABL code) into the ABL Application's business logic; also provides authorization in the webapp and ABL

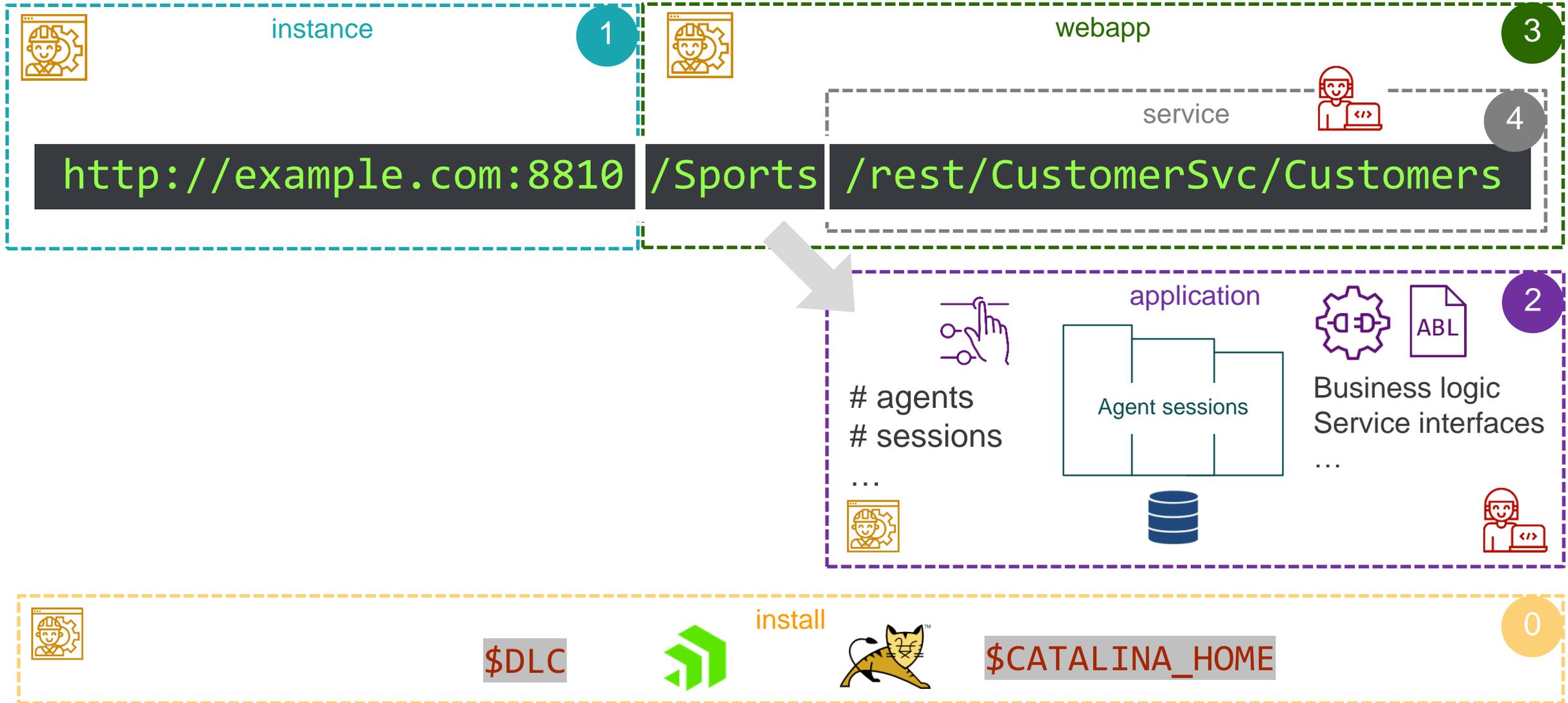
# Why so many levels?

We don't know how you are planning to deploy your app(s). Nor do we want to force you into a specific model.

How to decide?

- Do you have more than one Classic AppServer and/or WebSpeed Server today as part of the application?
- How are these defined?
  - Business function
  - Technology / client type
  - "Reasons" / history

# Deployment levels & URL space





# (what goes into the) Packages

# What do we want from a package?

- Smallest logical/common-sense unit
  - Separation of concerns ... each level has own package
  - Composable into one or more business application
  - Independently built & versioned
- Packages should not be tightly-coupled to OE versions
  - Should only contain your-application-specific stuff
- Consumable in, producible from a CI/CD pipeline
  - Check-in and –out all artifacts (aka Infrastructure-as-Code)

# Instance

## Package

1. Zip up (working) instance's entire folder structure

- 
1. Manifest (version, name, etc)
  2. `openedge.properties`
  3. `catalina.properties`
  4. Logging & other properties
  5. Instance-common ABL
  6. ABL applications packages
  7. Standard webapps
  8. Scripts for events, tailoring

## Deploy

```
tcman register
```

Run tailoring

A

```
tcman create
```

```
oeprop -f <merge-file>
```

```
tcman config
```

Copy ABL code to `/openedge`

Copy files to `/webapps`, `/bin`

Deploy ABL applications

Run tailoring

B

# Instance zip vs. overlay package

**A**

## Complete package

- ✓ Fast, easy, works
- ✓ Runnable
- Tied to a specific OpenEdge version
  - Eg Logging config, Spring config

**B**

## Overlay package

- ✓ Version portable
- ✓ Smaller (fewer files)
- ✓ Composed of deployable sub-packages
- More work (creation, testing)

**Why not use both?**



Create an overlay package, check it in, and use it to create a deployable zip

# ABL Application

## Package

1. Manifest (version, name, etc)
2. `openedge.properties`
3. `oeablSecurity.properties`
4. Business logic
5. ABL webapps packages
6. Scripts for events, tailoring

```
<abl-app-name>_startup.{bat|sh}
```

```
<abl-app-name>_started.{bat|sh}
```

```
<abl-app-name>_stopping.{bat|sh}
```

```
<abl-app-name>_shutdown.{bat|sh}
```

## Deploy

Use an existing instance

```
tcman deploy \  
-a <webapp-name> $dlc/.../oeabl.war\  
<abl-app-name>
```

```
oeprop -f <merge-file>
```

```
secprop -f <merge-file>
```

Deploy ABL webapps

Copy scripts to `/bin`

Copy ABL code to

```
/ablapps/<abl-app-name>/openedge
```

Run tailoring & restart

# ABL WebApp

## Package

1. Export PDSOE project as ABL webapp (.WAR)

- 
1. Manifest (version, name, etc)
  2. `openedge.properties`
  3. `oeablSecurity.properties`
  4. Static files
  5. ABL Services packages
  6. Scripts for tailoring

## Deploy

```
tcman deploy
```

Run tailoring



A

```
tcman deploy -a <webapp-name>
$dlc/.../oeabl.war
```

```
oeprop -f <merge-file>
```

```
secprop -f <merge-file>
```

Copy static files to `/static`, /

Deploy ABL services

Run tailoring

B

# ABL Service

## Package

1. Manifest (version, name, etc)
2. Transport-specific service descriptor (PAAR / GEN / WSM / handlers / JSON)
3. `openedge.properties`
4. `oeablSecurity.csv`
5. Service-interface ABL code
6. Static files
7. Scripts for events, tailoring

## Deploy

```
deploySvc -a <webapp-name>  
<descriptor>
```

```
oeprop -f <merge-file>
```

```
secprop -f <merge-file>
```

Copy static files to `/static`

Copy ABL code to static files to `/WEB-INF/openedge`

Run tailoring



# Where does it come from ... Package sources

# PDSOE

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Project Explorer

NEXT

- Procedure Libraries
  - AppServer
    - Conference
    - logic
      - shared
      - speaker
      - talk
        - talk\_schedule.p
        - talk.p
        - talks.p
        - talk.p

- PASOECContent
- META-INF
- static
- WEB-INF
  - adapters
  - backup
  - classes
  - home
  - jsp
  - metadata
  - openedge
    - Conference
      - SI
        - Speakers.cls
        - Talks.cls
      - ConfSvc.gen
      - ReadMe.txt
    - spring
    - tlr
    - logging.xml
    - mvc-dispatch-context.xml
    - oauth2ResSvcClients.cfg
    - oeablSecurity.csv
    - oeablSecurity.properties
    - oeablSecurity.properties.README
    - oeablSecurity.xml
    - oeablSecurityJWT.csv
    - security.tld
    - users.properties
    - web.xml
  - favicon.ico
  - index.jsp
- Defined Services
- ConfSvc

conf\_api in nbbedpjudge5.conf\_api (Progress Application Server for OpenEdge 12.2ALPHA) x

### Overview

**General Information**  
Specify the host name and other common settings.

Server name: conf\_api in nbbedpjudge5.conf\_api (Progress Application Server for OpenEdge 12.2ALPHA)

Host name: localhost

Runtime Environment: Progress Application Server for OpenEdge 11.7

[Open launch configuration](#)

**Connection**  
Specify the information for connection to the OpenEdge Explorer.

OpenEdge Explorer connection: Explorer 1

Progress Application Server for OpenEdge: nbbedpjudge5.conf\_api - nbbedpjudge5

Application: conf\_api

Overview

Console

Tasks

Servers

Progress OpenEdge Server Monitor

conf\_api in nbbedpjudge5.conf\_api (Progress Application Server for OpenEdge 12.2ALPHA)

NEXT [Progress Application Server for OpenEdge is not started]

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no"?>
<server
broker-deployment-path="/path/to/conf_api/openedge"
broker-name="nbbedpjudge5.conf_api - nbbedpjudge5"
default.pasoe.able.application="conf_api"
hostname="localhost"
id="conf_api in nbbedpjudge5.conf_api (Progress Application
Server for OpenEdge 12.1)"
name="conf_api in nbbedpjudge5.conf_api (Progress Application
Server for OpenEdge 12.1)"
oeexplorer-connection-profile-identifier="Explorer_1"
runtime-id="Progress Application Server for OpenEdge 12.1"
server-type="com.progress.openedge.pdt.pasoe.servertype"
server-type-id="com.progress.openedge.pdt.pasoe.servertype"
start-timeout="120" stop-timeout="30" timestamp="2"
>
<list key="modules"
value0="NEXT::com.openedge.pdt.server.pasoe.deployable.component:
c7820da0-6fad-46ed-b76a-6f16b27836d0::pasoe.appserver::11.6" />
</server>
```

# PDSOE

abl-app-name.zip

1. Business logic ABL

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- PDSOE projects will only publish ABL code
- ABL Service-faceted projects have an AppServer folder (default name) for ABL

# PDSOE

## NEXT.war

1. PASOEContent/\*\*
2. Defined Services

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- Includes selected ABL Services
- Deploy WAR to instance (dev mode)

## NEXT.zip

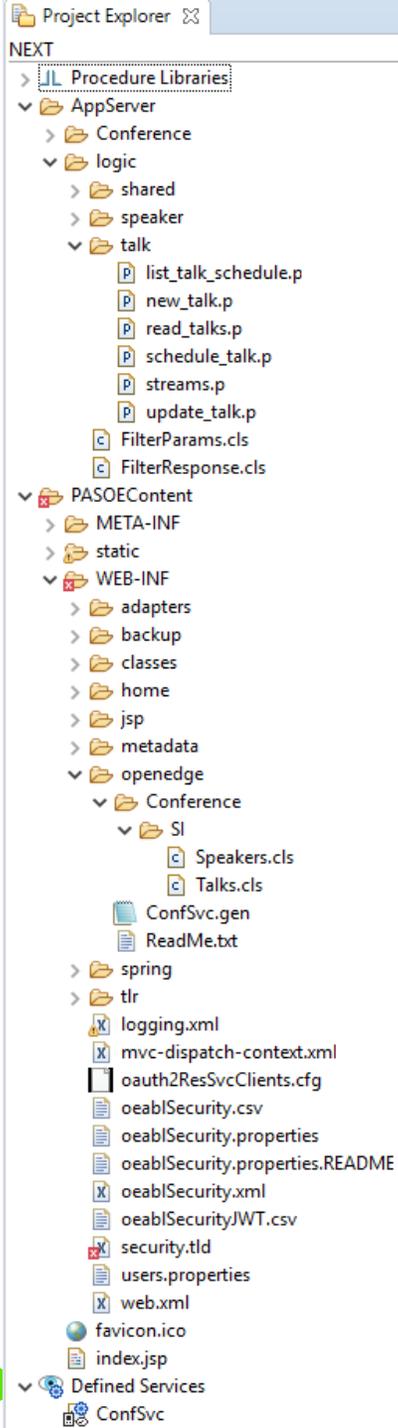
1. WEB-INF/openedge
2. WEB-INF/tlr
3. Static files

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# PDSOE

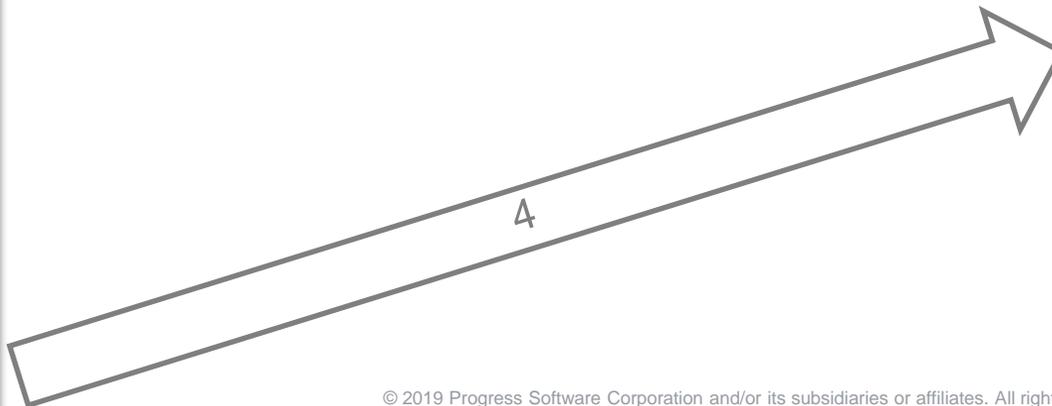
- Can export REST services incrementally as a PAAR file from the PaarGeneration task

<https://docs.progress.com/bundle/developer-studio-olh/page/Packaging-REST-services.html>



ConfSvc.paar

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**Where does it go?**  
**Instance (physical) targets**

# Install

```
/usr/bin/oe121
├── bin
├── servers
│   ├── pasoe
│   │   ├── bin
│   │   ├── common
│   │   ├── extras
│   │   └── lib
```

- `$DLC/bin` contains the agent executable `_mproapsv`
- The default `$CATALINA_HOME` is `$DLC/servers/pasoe`
  - Contains binaries used to run the instance
- `$DLC/servers/pasoe/extras` contains webapps (incl. baseline ABL webapp)
- See info about instances by running `tcman env`

# Instance structure

```
oepas1
├── ablapps
├── bin
├── common
├── conf
├── logs
├── openedge
├── temp
├── webapps
└── work
```

- The instance is the runtime *context* of applications
  - Scripts/binaries
  - Configuration
  - Logs
- Hooked up to \$DLC executables via `tcman register` command
- A container of applications and standard webapps
  - Some top-level folders contain stuff from the (grand)children
    - `/conf`, `/bin`, `/logs`, `/temp`

# ABL apps structure

```
ablapps/  
├── abl-app-1  
│   ├── conf  
│   ├── openedge  
│   └── temp  
└── abl-app-2
```

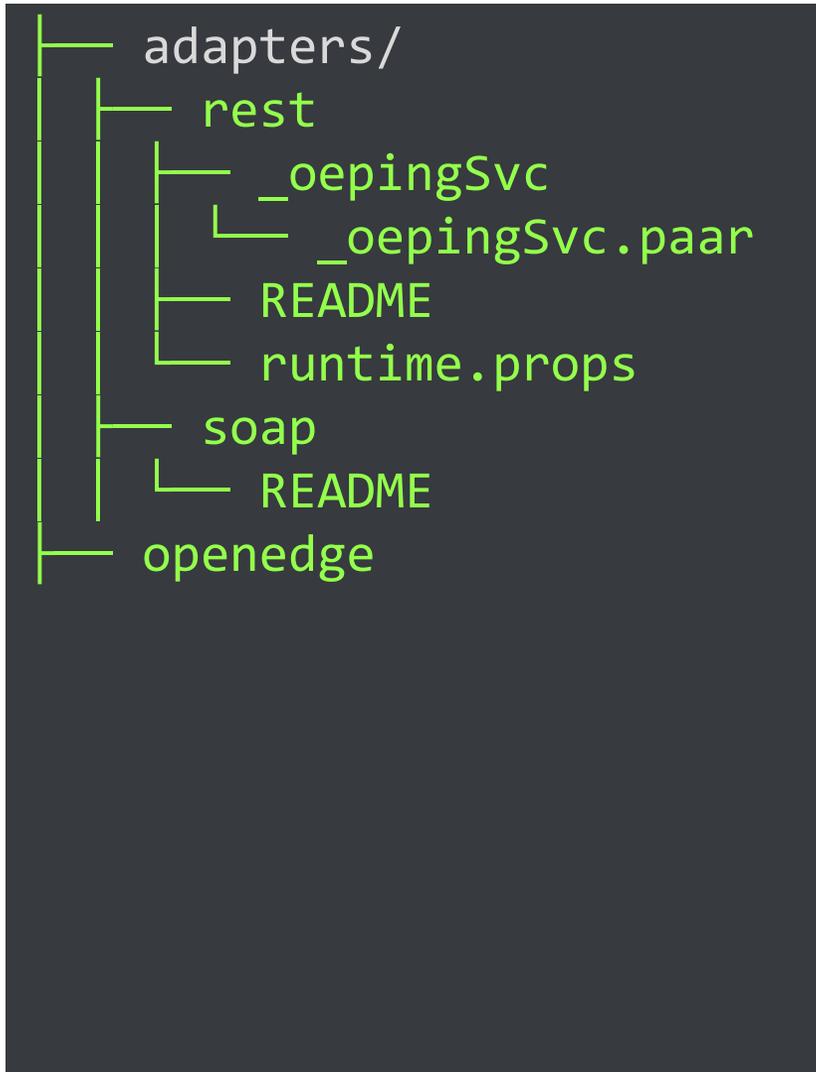
- The ABL application is the smallest deployment unit that can be run on its own
  - Runtime configuration - # agents, # sessions, PROPATH, db connections etc
  - Security configuration – default authentication model for all its contents
- Contributions to the instance
  - Scripts/binaries
  - **Configuration**
  - Logs
- A container of ABL webapps that are deployed into the instance's /webapps folder

# ABL webapps structure



- Exposes the application's business logic via URL **! the only way to call/run ABL**
- Provides (enforces) the service
  - Authentication
  - Authorization (provided by ABL service)
- Contributions to the instance
  - Configuration
- A container of ABL services, grouped by "transport"
  - /static is a special case

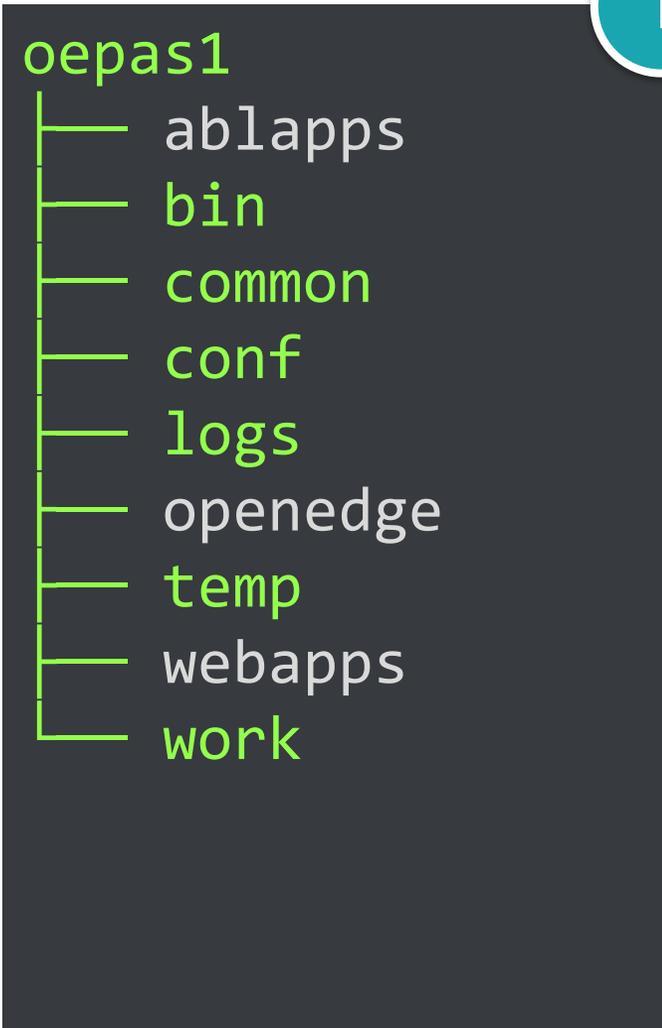
# ABL services structure



- ABL Service are the API that exposes service interfaces
  - Descriptor (.PAAR, .GEN, .WSM, .handlers)
  - Service interface code (ABL or other)
  - Authorization configuration
- Contributions to ABL webapp
  - ABL code `/WEB-INF/openedge/*`
  - Intercept-urls `/WEB-INF/oeablSecurity.csv`
- Contributions to instance
  - Configuration `adapterEnabled=1`
- Categorized by "transport"
  - **APSV, WEB, REST, SOAP, STATIC**

# Instance folder structure

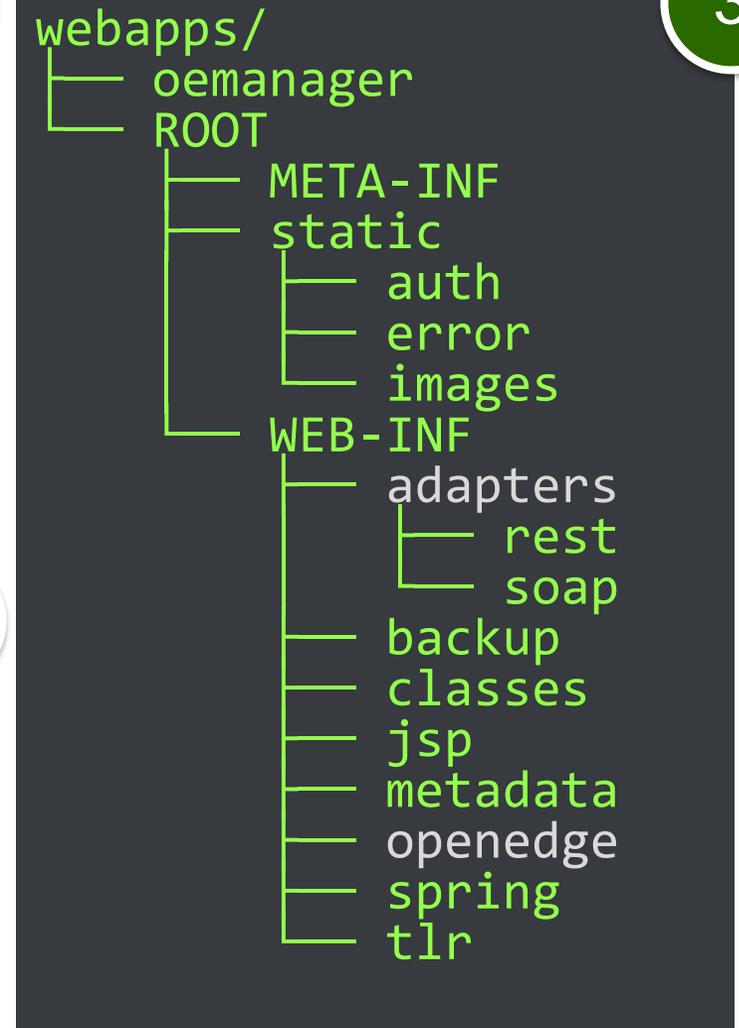
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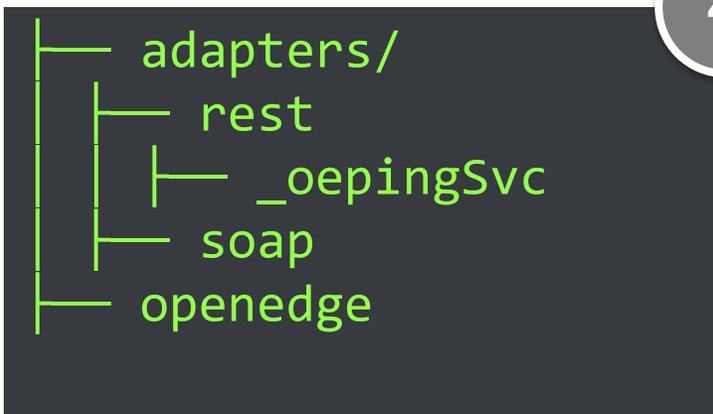
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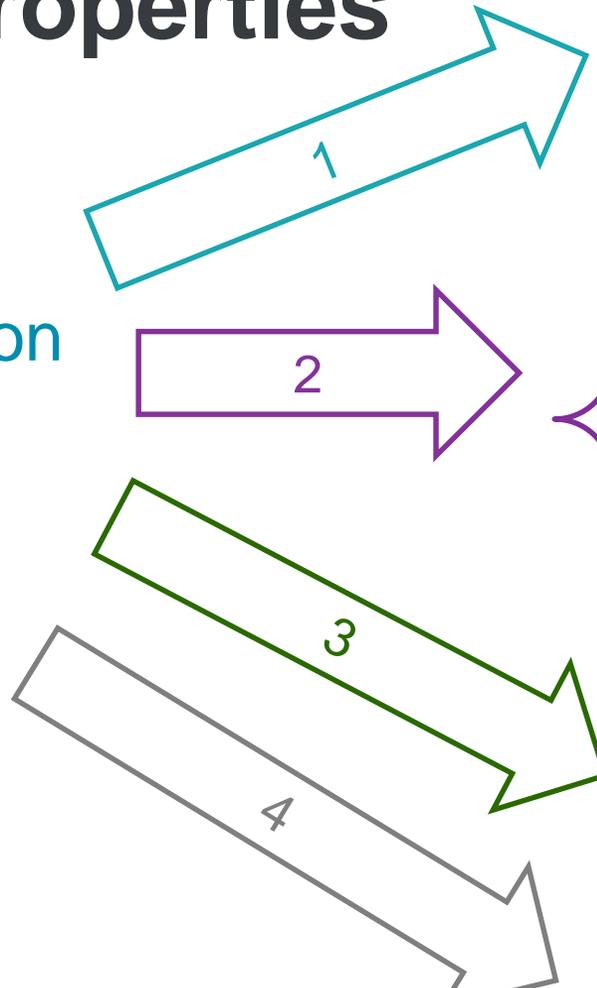


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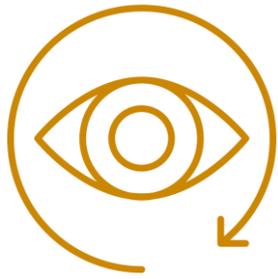
# Instance properties

- 0 Install
- 1 Instance
- 2 ABL Application
- 3 ABL Webapp
- 4 ABL Service



Parent-child relationships are in  
`$CATALINA_BASE/conf`  
`/openedge.properties`

```
1 # ----- openedge.properties -----
2 # Property File for the Pacific Application Server for OpenEdge
3 # INSTANCE
4 [AppServer]
5     applications=conference
6     collectMetrics=1
7     statusEnabled=1
8 # ABL-APPLICATION
9 [conference]
10     webApps=ROOT,NEXT
11 [AppServer.SessMgr.conference]
12     agentLogEntryTypes=ASPlumbing,DB.Connects
13     agentLogFile=${catalina.base}/logs/conference.agent.{yyyy-mm-dd}.log
14     agentStartupParam=-T "${catalina.base}/ablapps/conference/temp" -db c:/WORKSHOP/db/conf.db
15     publishDir=${catalina.base}/ablapps/conference/openedge
16 [AppServer.Agent.conference]
17     numInitialSessions=2
18     PROPATH=${CATALINA_BASE}/webapps/NEXT/WEB-INF/openedge,
19             ${CATALINA_BASE}/webapps/ROOT/WEB-INF/openedge,
20             ${CATALINA_BASE}/ablapps/conference/openedge,
21             ${CATALINA_BASE}/openedge,
22             ${DLC}/tty,
23             ${DLC}/tty/netlib/OpenEdge.Net.pl
24     uuid=http://EC2AMAZ-1HC2QMP:8815/conference
25
26 # ABL-WEBAPP
27 [conference.NEXT]
28     statusEnabled=1
29 # ABL-SERVICE
30 [conference.NEXT.WEB]
31     adapterEnabled=1
32     defaultCookieDomain=
33     defaultCookiePath=
34     defaultHandler=OpenEdge.Web.CompatibilityHandler
35     handler1=OpenEdge.Web.DataObject.DataObjectHandler:/pdo/
36     srvrAppMode=development
37     srvrDebug=0
38     wsRoot=/NEXT/static/webspeed
39
```



# Looking forward ...

- Well-defined packages for each level
  - Manifests, tailoring, etc
- Creating CLI-based tooling
  - `export` flows to create packages with a defined structure
  - `deploy` (and `undeploy` and `patch` ) to apply those package contents to an instance
- Ant-based tailoring on each of these operations, for each level

`_export`

`_exported`

`_deploy`

`_deployed`

`_undeploy`

`_undeployed`

`_patch`

`_patched`

- We see the primary use-cases around automation (CI/CD)
  - ... but we also want this flow to work from IDEs and other developer tooling

# Better

2

1. Manifest (version, name, etc) 2
2. `openedge.properties`
3. `oeablSecurity.properties`
4. App-common ABL
5. Scripts for events, tailoring

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Project Explorer

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  - AppServer
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    - logic
      - shared
      - speaker
      - talk
        - list\_talk\_schedule.p
        - new\_talk.p
        - read\_talks.p
        - schedule\_talk.p
        - streams.p
        - update\_talk.p
      - FilterParams.cls
      - FilterResponse.cls
- PASOECContent
  - META-INF
  - static
  - WEB-INF
    - adapters
    - backup
    - classes
    - home
    - jsp
    - metadata
    - openedge
      - Conference
        - SI
          - Speakers.cls
          - Talks.cls
        - ConfSvc.gen
        - ReadMe.txt
    - spring
    - tlr
      - logging.xml
      - mvc-dispatch-context.xml
      - oauth2ResSvcClients.cfg
      - oeablSecurity.csv
      - oeablSecurity.properties
      - oeablSecurity.properties.README
      - oeablSecurity.xml
      - oeablSecurityJWT.csv
      - security.tld
      - users.properties
      - web.xml
  - favicon.ico
  - index.jsp
- Defined Services
  - ConfSvc

# Conclusion

- Described the component parts of an instance, at a logical level, for defining deployment packages
- Described what should be in a deployment package and how to apply them to an instance

# But wait, there's more!

## *WEDNESDAY*

385: Deploying Applications with the Docker Container for Progress Application Server for OpenEdge

09:45 Roy Ellis, PSC

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