



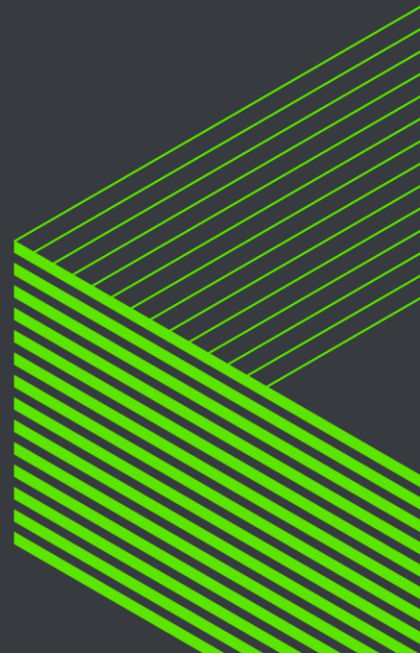
PAS for OpenEdge Web Handlers: A Deep Dive

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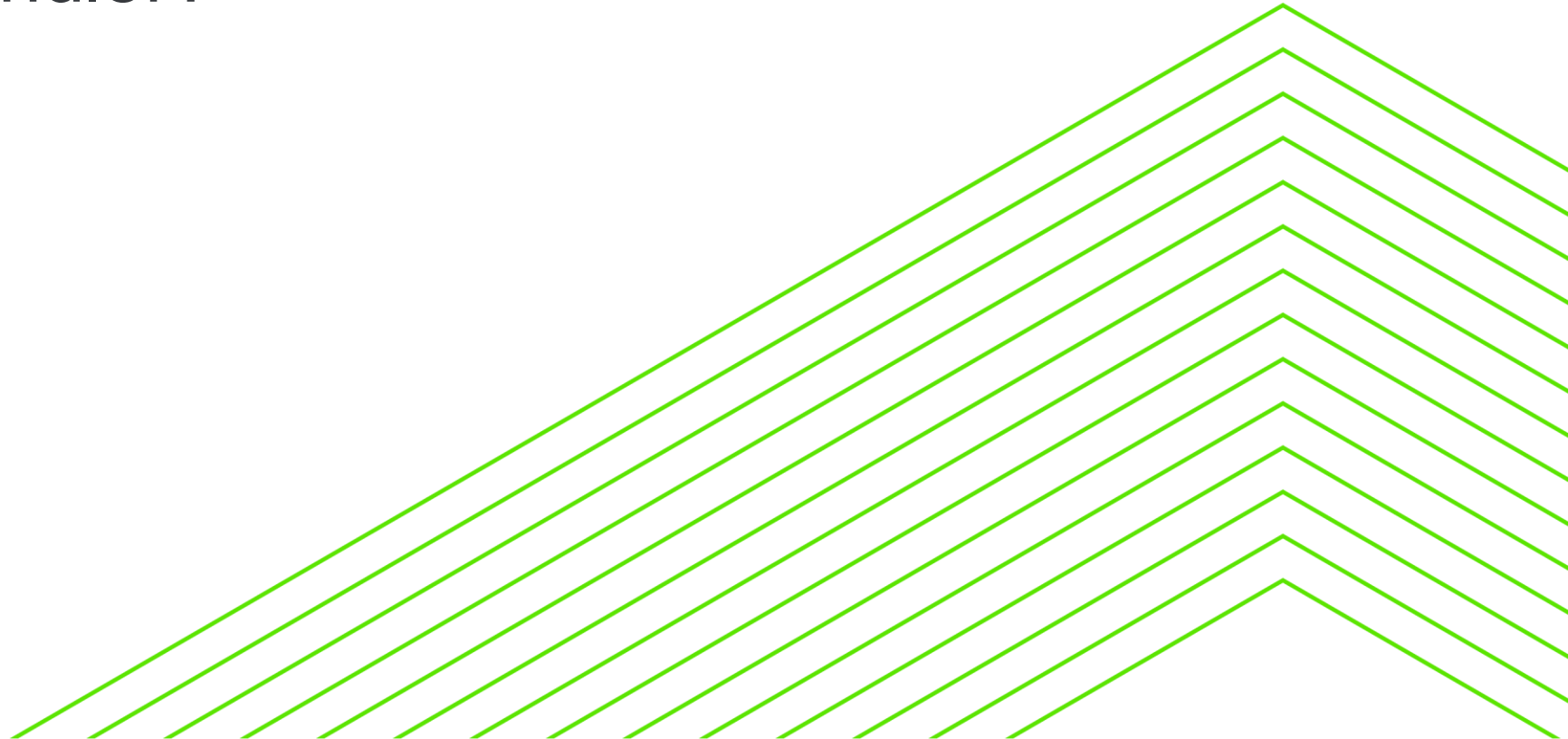
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Overview

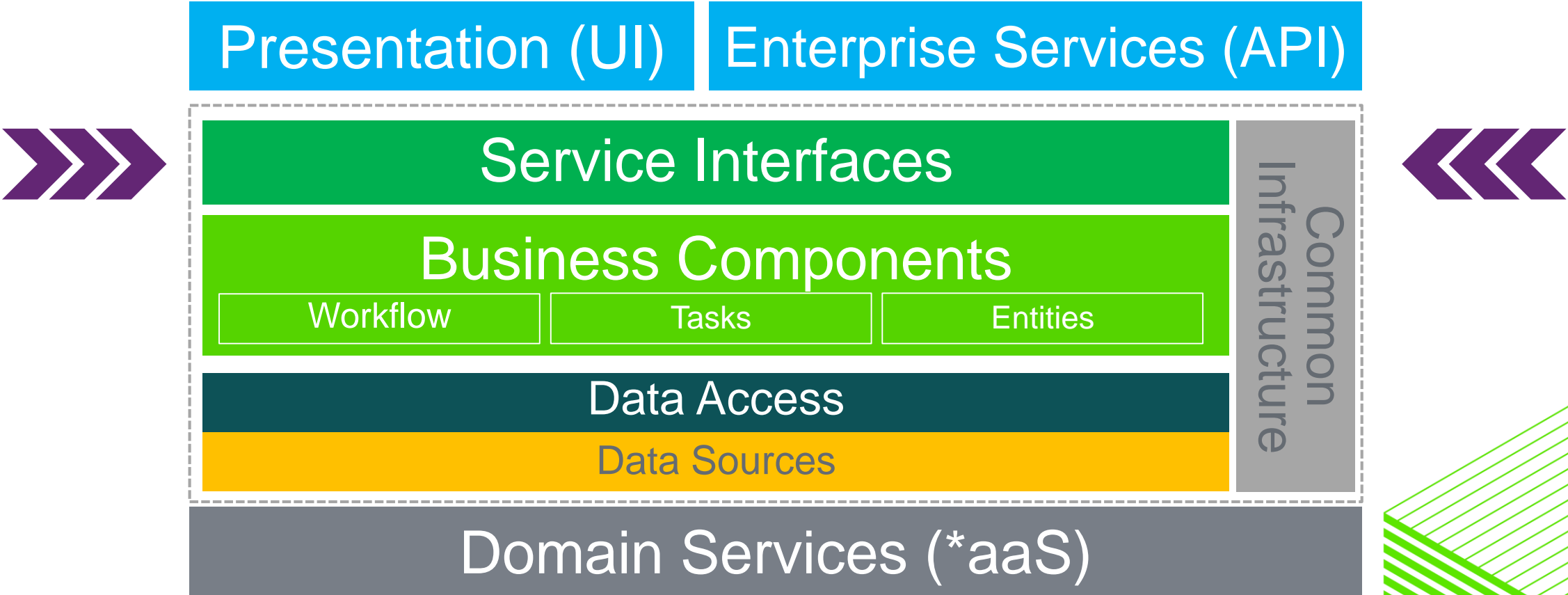
- What is a web handler
- What can you do with it
- Where should you use it



What is a Web Handler?



OpenEdge Reference Architecture (OERA)



Service Interfaces

- Service interfaces provide the translation layer between a request and the underlying business services
 - Route requests
 - Compose responses
 - Error handling
- Provide authentication and authorization
- Translate input / output formats to and from domain model
 - JSON/XML/text into ProDataSet/Temp-Table/objects
 - Data validation
- Service interfaces are NOT business domain services or logic (like tax calculations, master data maintenance, order entry, etc.)

Service Interface Approaches - REST

WebHandler

REST (Mapped RPC)

Data Object (REST)

- Formerly REST Services
- Use GUI tool to map HTTP elements to program input/outputs
- Flexible in URI paths

- Formerly Mobile Services
- Annotate certain methods (w/ particular signatures)
- Very prescriptive
 - Programming model
 - URI paths
- Creates Data Service Catalog as public API

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Service Interface Approaches – WEB

WebHandler

REST (Mapped RPC)

Data Object (REST)

- Associate an OOABL WebHandler class with a URI pattern
- Very flexible
- Do whatever you want in ABL code
- URI is all yours too
- Create your own or use one of the in-the-box WebHandlers
 - Extend and/or replace existing behaviour

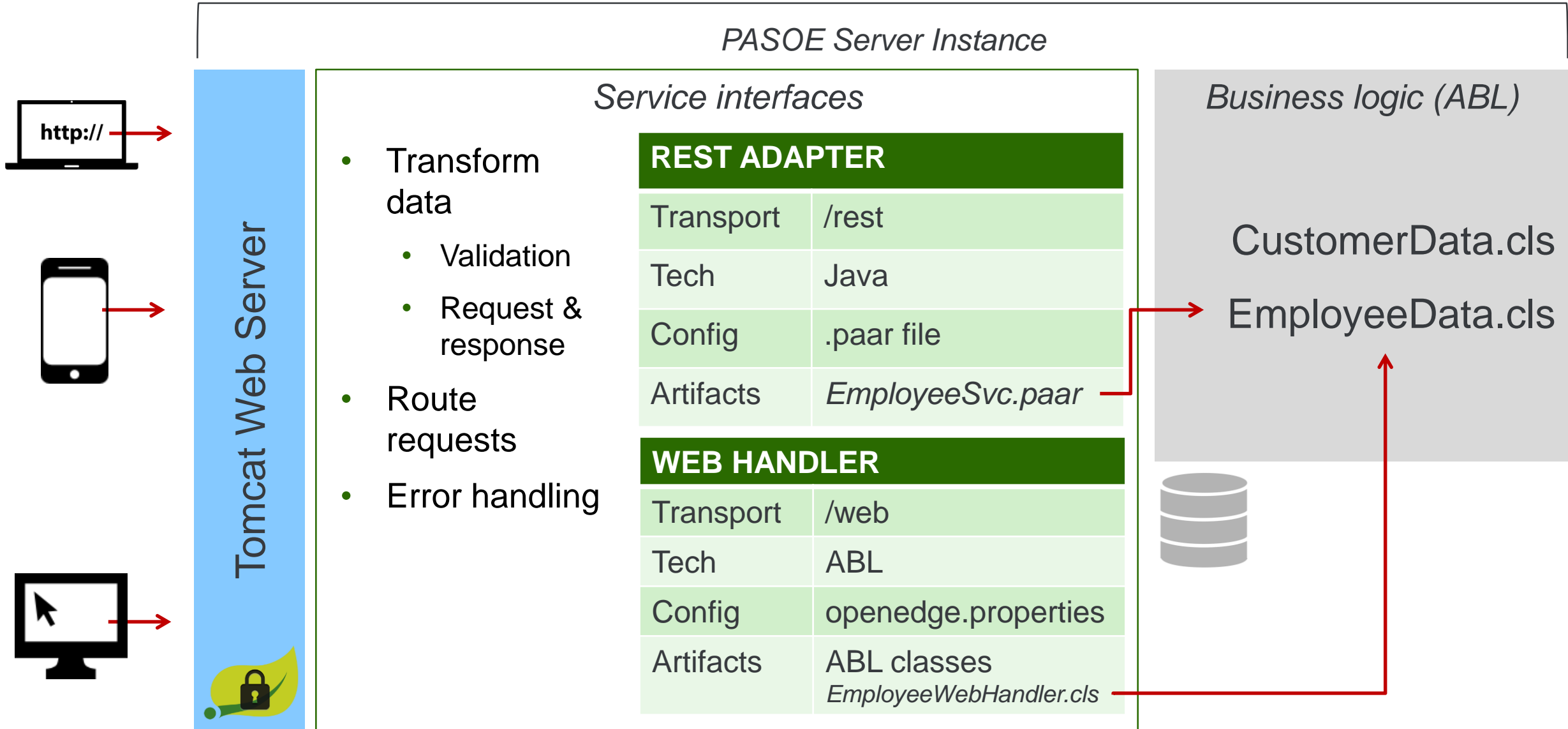
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What is a web handler?

- Tasks
 - Routing: what program & function should be run
 - Parameter mapping: convert HTTP into ABL and back
- OOABL implementation of Progress .Web .IWebRequest ← for advanced use only
 - OpenEdge.Web.WebHandler ← use this for new code
 - OpenEdge.Web.CompatibilityHandler ← 'classic' WebSpeed
 - OpenEdge.Web.DefaultWebHandler ← locked-out version
 - OpenEdge.Web.DataObject.DataObjectHandler ← general purpose w/JSON config
- OpenEdge.Web & OpenEdge.Net packages in \$DLC/tty/netlib/OpenEdge.Net.pl
- API doc at <https://documentation.progress.com/output/oehttpclient/oe117>

Routing requests



HTML

```
GET /schedule HTTP/1.1
Host: pugchallenge.org
Accept: application/json
```

```
DELETE /schedule HTTP/1.1
Host: pugchallenge.org
Accept: application/json
```

```
POST /register HTTP/1.1
Host: pugchallenge.org
Content-Type: application/json
```

```
POST /feedback/session HTTP/1.1
Host: pugchallenge.org
Content-Type: application/json
```

ABL

Web.ScheduleHandler

provide_feedback.p

manage_sessions.p

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Web.FeedbackHandler

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Web.FeedbackHandler

Which handler is used?

handler N =ooabl.type.name : <relative-uri>

- <relative-uri> `1* ["/" [token|text]]`
 - Relative to **/web** ← the transport path
 - MUST have leading /
 - Either Text `Customers`
 - Or Tokens `{CustomerName}` or `{pathparam: regex}`
- Matched in (numeric) order and then by best match
 - Handlers may be reused for differing paths
- Each webapp has a default for no-match-found
 - In-the-box uses `OpenEdge.Web.DefaultWebHandler` or `CompatibilityHandler`

Which handler is used?

Client

http://localhost:8810/SportsApp/web/[PayrollSvc/catalog/](#)

1

http://localhost:8810/SportsApp/web/[PayrollSvc/data/Employee](#)

2

http://localhost:8810/SportsApp/web/[PayrollSvc/ui](#)

default

Config

[mediaresource.SportsApp.WEB]

defaultHandler = [OpenEdge.Web.DefaultWebHandler](#)

handler1 = [Sports.SchemaHandler](#) : [/{resources}/catalog](#)

handler2 = [Sports.DataHandler](#) : [/{resources}/data/{service}](#)

handler3 = [Sports.DataHandler](#) : [/{resources}/data/](#)

handler4 = [App.DocumentHandler](#) : [/forms/{form-name}](#)

handler5 = [Sports.SportsHandler](#) : [/CustomerSvc/catalog](#)

Where does my WebHandler live?

- We consider it a Service Interface
 - Should be in the webapp WEB-INF/openedge **B**
- But it's Just ABL so can be anywhere on PROPATH

```
[AppServer.Agent.mediaresource]
```

```
PROPATH=
```

```
B ${CATALINA_BASE}/webapps/ROOT/WEB-INF/openedge,
```

```
A ${CATALINA_BASE}/openedge,
```

```
/application/path,
```

```
${DLC}/tty,
```

```
${DLC}/tty/netlib/OpenEdge.Net.pl
```

```

${CATALINA_BASE}
+---bin
+---common
+---conf
      openedge.properties
+---logs
+---openedge A
|   \---sports
|           EmployeeBE.cls
+---temp
+---webapps B
|   +---ROOT
|   |   +---META-INF
|   |   +---static
|   |   |   +---auth
|   |   |   +---error
|   |   |   +---images
|   |   \---WEB-INF B
|   |           +---openedge
|   |           |   \---sports
|   |           |           ImageWebHandler.cls
|   |           \---tlr
\---workA
```

Coding a web handler (recommended approach)

1. Create a new class that inherits from `OpenEdge.Web.WebHandler`
2. You must implement 3 methods ...
 - i. `HandleGet`
 - ii. `HandleMethodNotImplemented`
 - iii. `HandleNotAllowed`
3. ... and you'll want to implement more
 - iv. `Handle<http-method>` (eg. `HandlePost`)
 - v. `HandleException`

Coding a web handler (generated code)

```
METHOD OVERRIDE PROTECTED INTEGER HandleGet(INPUT poRequest AS OpenEdge.Web.IWebRequest ):
DEFINE VARIABLE oResponse AS OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.IHttpResponse NO-UNDO.
DEFINE VARIABLE oWriter AS OpenEdge.Web.WebResponseWriter NO-UNDO.
DEFINE VARIABLE oBody AS OpenEdge.Core.String NO-UNDO.

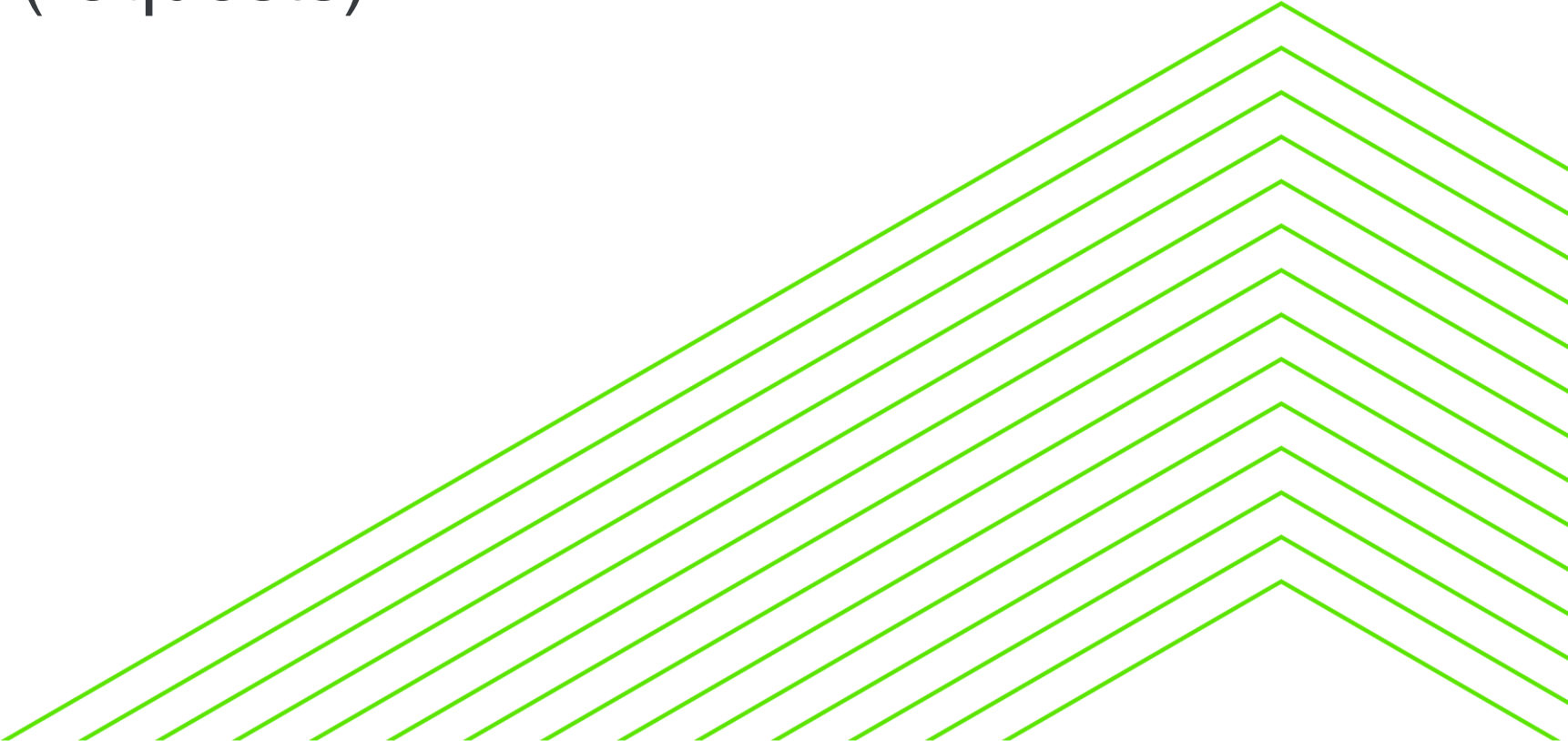
/* The WebResponse body is a wrapper around an entire HTTP response message. It contains a status code and
reason; headers; cookies and a message body. API-level doc for the WebResponse class is located at
https://documentation.progress.com/output/oehttpclient/ */
ASSIGN oResponse = NEW OpenEdge.Web.WebResponse()
oResponse:StatusCode = INTEGER(StatusCodeEnum:OK)
/* This body object can be a string or something else
oBody = NEW OpenEdge.Core.String('Hello Truman')
oResponse:Entity = oBody
oResponse:ContentType = 'text/plain':u /* HTTP messages require a content type
oResponse:ContentLength = oBody:Size /* ContentLength is given in bytes
/* The WebResponseWriter ensures that the status line and all headers are written to the
body/entity. */
ASSIGN oWriter = NEW WebResponseWriter(oResponse).
oWriter:Open().
/* The Progress.IO.OutputStream Write() methods take multiple overloads, for a variety of data types. See
the doc for more information. */
oWriter:Write(oBody:Value).
/* Finish writing the response message */
oWriter:Close().
/* A response of 0 means that this handler will build the entire response; a non-zero value is mapped to a
static handler in the webapp's /static/error folder. The mappings are maintained in the webapps's
WEB-INF/web.xml
A predefined set of HTTP status codes is provided in the OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.StatusCodeEnum enumeration */
RETURN 0.
END METHOD.
```

Do something useful here

- Run a .P
- Read a file from disk
- Call your mother

Mapping gazinters (requests)

gazinters: goes-inters,
goes into's,
inputs



Making sense of HTTP requests: raw HTTP

```
POST /Twe/api/rest/calcTax/doc HTTP/1.1
User-Agent: OpenEdge-HttpClient/0.3.0 (WIN32/64) OpenEdge/11.6.1.0.1293 Lib-ABLSockets/0.3.0
Host: sstwsuat.taxware.net
Date: 2016-03-04T12:43:18.547-05:00
Content-Type: application/json
Content-Length: 1805
Authorization: TAX restuat@IGS:NXDFGebsgtu14M6qn2xSrgEXXTo=
Accept: application/json; charset=utf-8
```

```
{ "rsltLvl": "1",
  "isAudit": false,
  "currn": "USD",
  "txCalcTp": 1,
  "trnDocNum": "277-0",
  "docDt": "2016-02-29T11:58:00",
  "lines": [
    { "debCredIndr": 1,
      "grossAmt": 858.8,
      "custAttrbs": {
        "COMPANY": "578",
        "CUSTOMER-NUMBER": "101",
        "DIVISION": "1",
        "PRODUCT": "1-101",
        "PRODUCT-CATEGORY": "4",
        "WAREHOUSE": "main"
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Making sense of HTTP requests: request line

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```

```
method override protected int HandlePost(
    poRequest as IWebRequest):
```

```
message oRequest:Method
```

```
    /* POST */
```

```
oRequest:Version.
```

```
    /* HTTP/1.1 */
```

Making sense of HTTP requests: URI

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```

```
method override protected int HandlePost(
    poRequest as IWebRequest):
```

```
message poRequest:URI:Host
/* sstwsuat.taxware.net */
poRequest:URI:Port
/* 80 */
poRequest:URI:Path
/* Twe/api/rest/calcTax/doc */
poRequest:URI:GetQueryNames()
/* ['filter'] */
poRequest:URI
:GetQueryValue('filter')
/* {ablFilter:""} */
```

Making sense of HTTP requests: headers

```
POST /Twe/api/rest/calcTax/doc HTTP/1.1
User-Agent: OpenEdge-HttpClient/0.3.0 (w
Host: sstwsuat.taxware.net
Date: 2016-03-04T12:43:18.547-05:00
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Accept: application/json; charset=utf-8
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        "WAREHOUSE": "main"
```

```
method override protected int HandlePost(
    poRequest as IWebRequest):
```

```
def var oAcceptHdr as HttpHeaders.
```

```
oAcceptHdr = poRequest
               :GetHeader( 'Accept' ).
```

```
message
```

```
oAcceptHdr:Name
```

```
/* Accept */
```

```
oAcceptHdr :Value
```

```
/* application/json */
```

```
oAcceptHdr
```

```
:GetParameterValue( 'charset' )
```

```
/* utf-8 */
```

Making sense of HTTP requests: content

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Host: sstwsuat.taxware.net
Date: 2016-03-04T12:43:18.547-05:00
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Content-Type: application/json
```

```
Content-Length: 1805
```

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Authorization: TAX restuat@IGS:NXDFGebsg
Accept: application/json; charset=utf-8
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      }
    }
  ]
}
```

```
method override protected int HandlePost(
    poRequest as IWebRequest):
```

```
def var oData as JsonObject.
```

```
message poRequest:ContentType
    /* application/json */
poRequest:ContentLength
    /* 1805 */
```

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}
```

```
method override protected int HandlePost(
    poRequest as IWebRequest):
def var oData as JsonObject.
def var oWriter as MessageWriter no-undo.

oWriter = EntityWriterBuilder:Build(poRequest)
    :Writer.

oWriter:Open().
oWriter:Write(poRequest:Entity).
oWriter:Close().

if type-of(oWriter:Entity, JsonObject) then
    oData = cast(oWriter:Entity, JsonObject).

message oData:GetLogical('isAudit')
    /* false */
```


Entity Writers - `OE.Net.HTTP.Filter.Writer.EntityWriterRegistry`

Name	Writer type	Content types
JSON	<code>JsonEntityWriter</code>	<code>application/json</code> ; <code>application/vnd.progress+json</code>
XML	<code>XmlEntityWriter</code>	<code>text/xml</code> ; <code>application/xml</code> ; <code>text/xml-external-parsed-entity</code> ; <code>application/xml-external-parsed-entity</code> ; <code>application/xml-dtd</code>
Text	<code>StringEntityWriter</code>	<code>text/*</code>
Binary	<code>BinaryEntityWriter</code>	<code>application/octet-stream</code> ; <code>application/pdf</code> ; <code>application/zip</code> ; <code>application/gzip</code> ; <code>audio/*</code> ; <code>image/*</code> ; <code>video/*</code>
Multipart data	<code>MultipartEntityWriter</code>	<code>multipart/*</code>

Default writers in
`OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.Filter.Payload.*`

Inherit from `MessageWriter`

Making sense of HTTP requests: calling business logic

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```

```
method override protected int HandlePost(
    poRequest as IWebRequest):
```

```
def var oData as JsonObject.
def var hCalcData as handle.
```

```
case poRequest:ContentType:
  when 'application/json' then
    hCalcData:read-json(
      'JsonObject', oData).
end case.
```

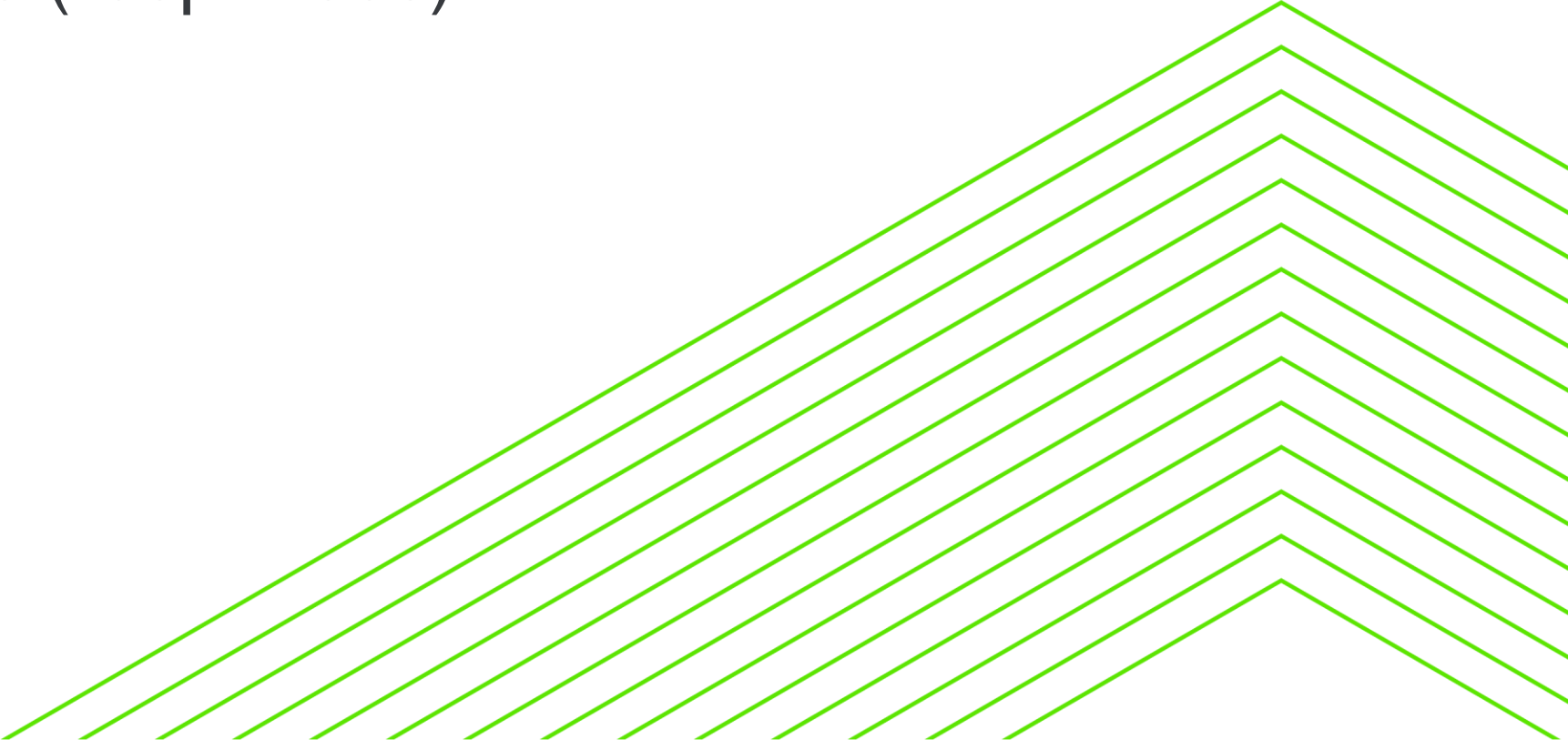
```
run Do_Tax_Calc in hTaxPProc (
  input-output dataset-handle hCalcData).
```

Incoming data – OpenEdge.Web.IWebRequest

Message element	oRequest = new WebRequest()	
HTTP method ("verb")	:Method	"POST"
URL	:URI	http://localhost:8810/SportsSvc/web/Customer/catalog?filter={"abiWhere"...}
Query parameters	:URI:GetQueryNames() :URI:GetQueryValue	["filter"] Filter => " {'abiWhere':'custnum eq 42'} "
Headers	:GetHeaders() :GetHeader(<name>):Value	[HttpHeader, HttpHeader, HttpHeader] Accept => "application/json"
Cookies	:GetCookie(<name>)	
Path parameters	* URITemplate * PathParameterNames * GetPathParameter(<name>)	{resources}/catalog/{service} "resources,service" "Customer"
Entity / message body	ContentType / ContentLength Entity	application/json
Path information	* TransportPath * PathInfo * WebAppPath	/web /Customer/catalog /SportsSvc

Mapping gazouters (responses)

gazouters: goes-outers,
goes out of's,
outputs



Returning data (good or bad)

- `OpenEdge.Web.WebResponseWriter` a built-in class
- Writes the HTTP 'preamble' nicely
 - Status line `HTTP/1.1 200 OK`
 - Headers
 - Cookies
- You choose how the body is written

Single `Write(<data>)` call

Gather entire body before sending

Choose your error-page strategy

Set all the meta-data before you need writing

Multiple `Write(<data>)` calls

Enables HTTP chunking

Cannot use PASOE static error pages

Preamble written on first subsequent `Write()`

- Very similar in many senses to `{&OUT}` approach for 'cgi-wrapper' WebSpeed

Building HTTP Responses – status line

```
method override protected int HandlePost(  
    poRequest as IWebRequest):  
  
def var oHdr as HttpHeaders.  
def var oResponse as IHttpWebResponse.  
def var hCalcData as handle.  
  
oResponse = new WebResponse().  
run Do_Tax_Calc in hTaxPProc (  
    input-output dataset-handle hCalcData).  
  
/* default is 200/ OK */  
oResponse:StatusCode = 201. //Created  
  
/* these are the same */  
oResponse:StatusCode =  
    integer(StatusCodeEnum:Created).
```

Building HTTP Responses – headers & cookies

```
method override protected int HandlePost(  
    poRequest as IWebRequest):  
  
def var oAcceptHdr as HttpHeader.  
def var oResponse as IHttpResponse.  
  
oResponse:SetHeader( 'Location',  
    'http://www.example.com/resource' ).  
  
oResponse:SetCookie(  
    new OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.Cookie(  
        'GeoIP' ,  
        '.example.com' ,  
        '/' ,  
        'US:MA:Bedford:42.49:-71.28:v4'    ))).
```

Building HTTP Responses – content

```
method override protected int HandlePost(
    poRequest as IWebRequest):

def var oAcceptHdr as HttpHeader.
def var oResponse as IHttpResponse.
def var hCalcData as handle.

/* Decide what format to send the response */
assign oAcceptHdr = poRequest:GetHeader('Accept').
case oAcceptHdr:Value:
    when 'application/json' then
        assign oResponse:ContentType = 'application/json'.

    when 'text/xml' then
        assign oResponse:ContentType = 'text/xml'

end case.

oResponse:Entity = new OpenEdge.Core.WidgetHandle(hCalcData).
```


Building HTTP Responses – writing the response

```
method override protected int HandlePost(  
    poRequest as IWebRequest):
```

```
def var oWriter as OpenEdge.Web.WebResponseWriter.  
def var oResponse as IHttpResponse.
```

```
/* This Writer does the right thing */  
oWriter = new WebResponseWriter(oResponse).
```

```
oWriter:Open().
```

```
//oWriter:Write([LONGCHAR|MEMPTR]).
```

```
oWriter:Close().
```

```
return 0. // Signal to PASOE that we've taken care of it
```

Building HTTP Responses – OE.Web.WebResponseWriter

```
/* Dumps a complete response to the output stream. */
method protected void WriteBody():
  define variable oCtWriter as MessageWriter no-undo.
  define variable oBytes as ByteBucket no-undo.
  define variable mEntity as memptr no-undo.
  /* Convert from an body to bytes */
  if valid-object(this-object:Response:Entity) then
  do on error undo, throw:
    if this-object:preamble_written = false then WriteHttpPreamble().
    /* turn the 'real' data into bytes */
    assign oCtWriter = BodyWriterBuilder:Build(this-object:Response)
      :Writer.

    oCtWriter:Open().
    oCtWriter:Write(this-object:Response:Entity).
    oCtWriter:Close().
    /* write the bytes to the stream */
    assign oBytes = cast(oCtWriter:Entity, ByteBucket)
      mEntity = oBytes:GetBytes():Value
      /* may not be written to the stream */
      this-object:Response:ContentLength = get-size(mEntity).
    // write the bytes out
    export stream-handle WebStream mEntity.
end.
```

Content Type Writers - `OE.Net.HTTP.Filter.Writer.BodyWriterRegistry`

Name	Writer type	Content types
JSON	<code>JsonBodyWriter</code>	<code>application/json ; application/vnd.progress+json</code>
XML	<code>XmlBodyWriter</code>	<code>text/xml ; application/xml ; text/xml-external-parsed-entity ; application/xml-external-parsed-entity ; application/xml-dtd</code>
HTML	<code>HtmlBodyWriter</code>	<code>text/html</code>
Text	<code>StringBodyWriter</code>	<code>text/*</code>
Binary	<code>BinaryBodyWriter</code>	<code>application/octet-stream ; application/pdf ; application/zip ; application/gzip ; audio/* ; image/* ; video/*</code>
Multipart data	<code>MultipartBodyWriter</code>	<code>multipart/*</code>
Form data	<code>FormDataBodyWriter</code>	<code>application/x-www-form-urlencoded</code>

Default writers in
`OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.Filter.Payload.*`
 Inherit from `MessageWriter`

The search algorithm is

1. Exact match - type / sub-type
2. Vendor types - type / vendor-prefix-removed-sub-type
3. General type - type / *
4. Fallback to HTTP default - `application/octet-stream`

Building HTTP Responses – success

```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Content-Type: application/json
Content-Length: 217
Location: http://www.example.com
           /resource

Server: example.com
Set-cookie: GeoIP=
            US:MA:Bedford:42.49:-71.28:v4;
            domain=.example.com; path=/
```

```
{ "dsCalcData": {
  "ttData": [
    {"field1": 0},
    {"field1": 1}
  ]
} }
```

```
method override protected int HandlePost(
    poRequest as IWebRequest):

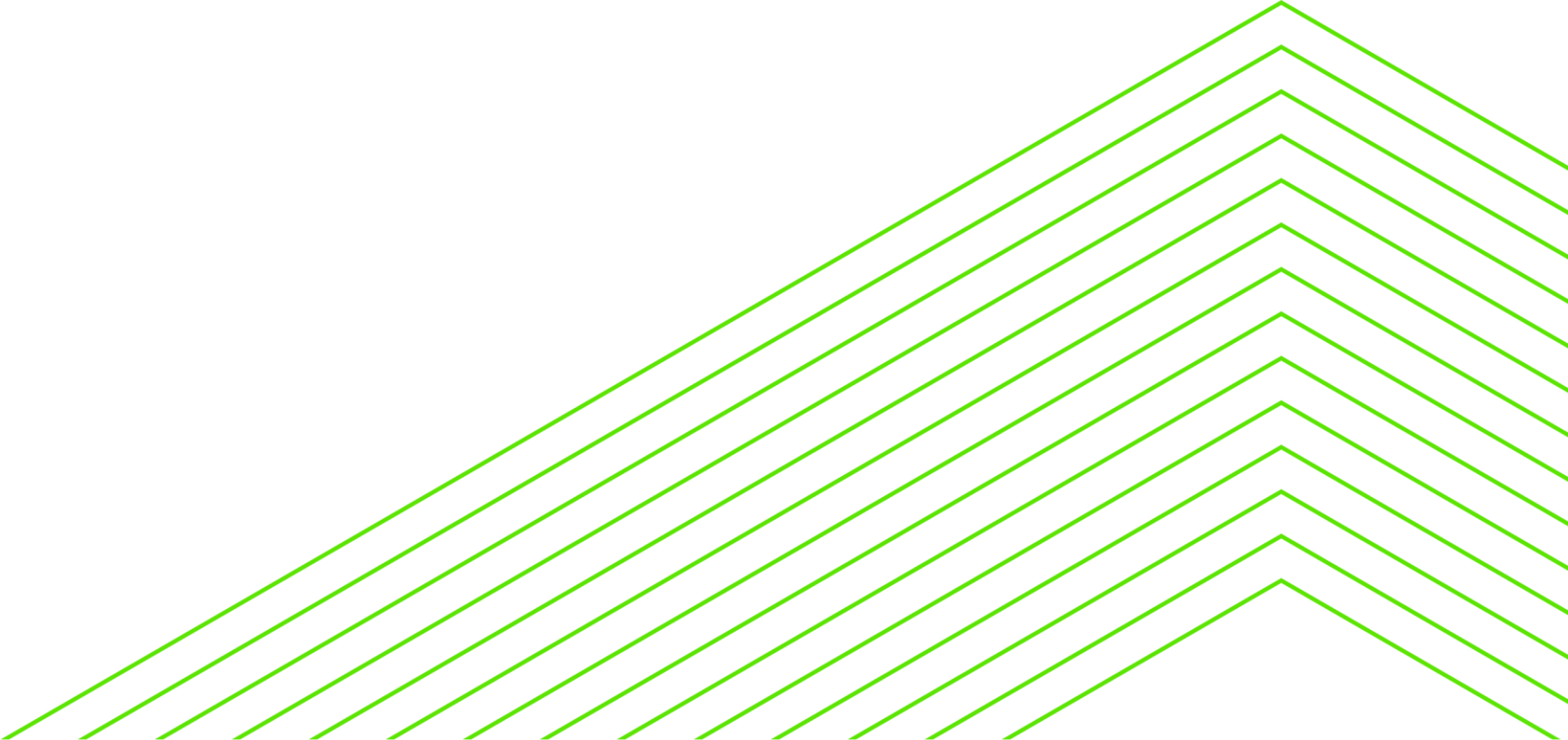
oResponse:StatusCode = int(StatusCodeEnum:Created)

oResponse:SetHeader('Location',
'http://www.example.com/resource')

oResponse:SetCookie(new OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.Cookie(
    'GeoIP' ,
    '.example.com' ,
    '/' ,
    'US:MA:Bedford:42.49:-71.28:v4' ))

oResponse:ContentType = 'application/json'
oResponse:ContentLength = get-size(mEntity)
oResponse:Entity =
    new OpenEdge.Core.WidgetHandle(hCalcData)
```

Errors



Returning errors - application

- An error can be Just Another Response
 - Set the StatusCode to 5xx or 4xx and add an entity (or not)
 - RETURN 0
 - Not always suited for standardized responses

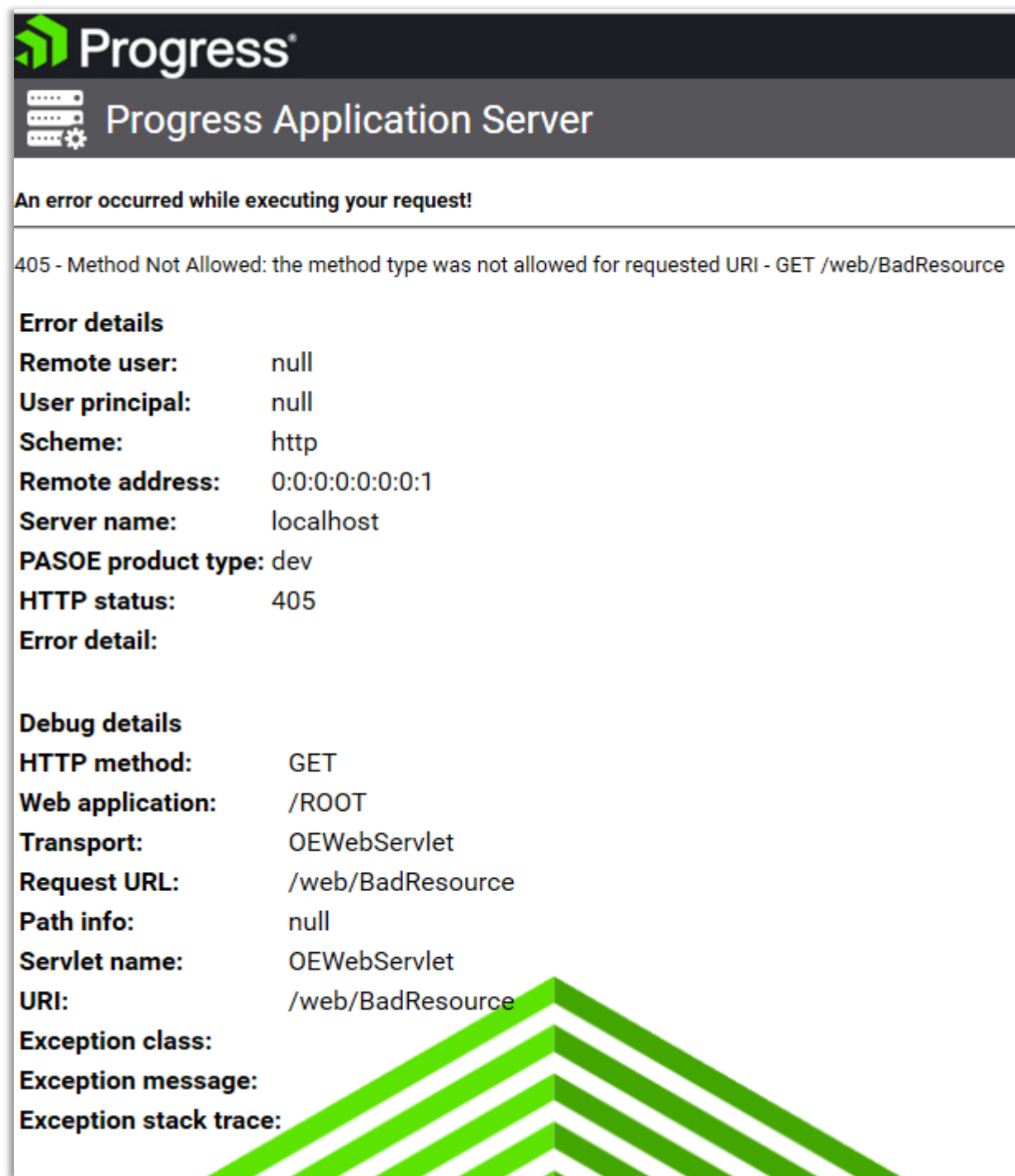
```
{ "_retVal": "",
  "_errors": [
    { "_errorMsg": "no param:FirstParam",
      "_errorNum": -1}
  ],
  "_type": "Progress.Lang.AppError",
  "_stack": [
    "GetPathParameter doh.WebRequestMock at line 101 ...",
    "GetInputValue OE...OperationHandler at line 185 ...",
    "Execute OE...ClassOperationHandler at line 1276 ...",
  ]
}
```

Returning errors - PASOE

- You can return a static error page
 - Handler returns INTEGER value
 - Set up in web.xml per webapp in WEB-INF/
 - Static page is returned by default in WEB-INF/jsp/

Accept: text/html

```
<error-page>  
  <location>/WEB-INF/jsp/errorPage.jsp</location>  
</error-page>
```



The screenshot shows the Progress Application Server interface. At the top, the Progress logo and 'Progress Application Server' are displayed. Below this, a message states 'An error occurred while executing your request!'. The error details are as follows:

405 - Method Not Allowed: the method type was not allowed for requested URI - GET /web/BadResource

Error details

Remote user:	null
User principal:	null
Scheme:	http
Remote address:	0:0:0:0:0:0:1
Server name:	localhost
PASOE product type:	dev
HTTP status:	405
Error detail:	

Debug details

HTTP method:	GET
Web application:	/ROOT
Transport:	OEWebServlet
Request URL:	/web/BadResource
Path info:	null
Servlet name:	OEWebServlet
URI:	/web/BadResource
Exception class:	
Exception message:	
Exception stack trace:	

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Accept: application/json

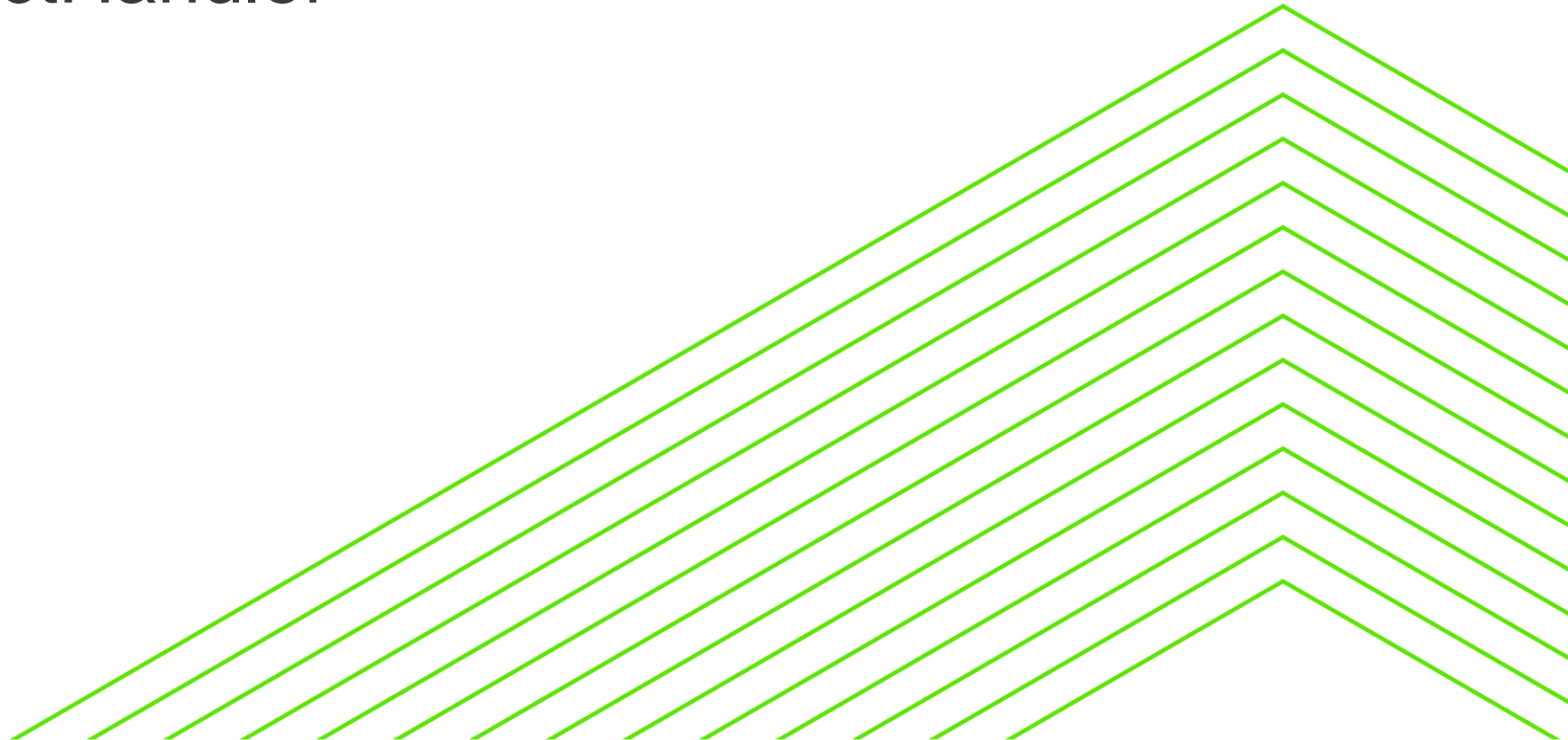
```
<error-page>
  <location>/WEB-INF/jsp/errorPage.jsp</location>
</error-page>
```

```
{
  "error_code": 405,
  "status_txt": "405 - Method Not Allowed: the method type was not
allowed for requested URI - GET /web/BadResource",
  "error_details": {
    "remote_user": "null",
    "user_principal": "null",
    "url_scheme": "http",
    "remote_addr": "0:0:0:0:0:0:0:1",
    "server_name": "localhost",
    "product_type": "dev",
    "http_status": 405,
    "error_detail": ""
  },
  "debug_details": {
    "http_method": "GET",
    "web_application": "/ROOT",
    "transport": "OEWebServlet",
    "request_url": "/web/BadResource",
    "path_info": "null",
    "servlet": "OEWebServlet",
    "uri": "/web/BadResource",
    "exception_class": "",
    "exception_message": "",
    "exception_stack_trace": ""
  }
}
```


Building HTTP Responses – errors

```
method override protected int HandlePost(  
    poRequest as IWebRequest):  
  
def var oAcceptHdr as HttpHeader.  
def var oResponse as IHttpResponse.  
  
/* Decide what format to send the response */  
catch oErr as Progress.Lang.Error:  
    if oAcceptHeader:Value eq 'application/json' then  
        assign  
            oResponse:StatusCode = 500  
            oResponse:ContentType = 'application/json'  
            oResponse:Entity = oErr.  
    else  
        return 500. // Internal Server Error  
end catch.
```

Built in: DataObjectHandler



DataObjectHandler

- ABL WebHandler - `OpenEdge.Web.DataObject.DataObjectHandler`
 - Initially for JSDO use-cases ...
... but “invoke” operations means it can do almost anything
 - Why an ABL web handler?
 - Promote and encourage the use of **/web** (aka dogfooding)
 - Add (customer-requested) flexibility to responses (headers, status codes, etc.)

So what?

1. You don't have to write any gazinter or gazouter code
... no need to understand HTTP semantics
2. Easily expose your AppServer code on the Web
3. Use the URI you'd like

One Handler To Rule Them All



HTML

GET /schedule HTTP/1.1
Host: pugchallenge.org
Accept: application/json

DELETE /schedule HTTP/1.1
Host: pugchallenge.org
Accept: application/json

POST /register HTTP/1.1
Host: pugchallenge.org
Content-Type: application/json

POST /feedback/session HTTP/1.1
Host: pugchallenge.org
Content-Type: application/json

ABL

DataObjectHandler

WH

provide_feedback.p

manage_sessions.p

register_attendee.p



What can I map?

```

"/invoke/1": {
  "PUT": {
    "contentType": "application/json",
    "statusCode": 202,
    "options": {
      "requestEnvelope": true,
      "responseEnvelope": true
    },
    "entity": {
      "name": "doh.FieldInvokeEntity",
      "function": "in_1",
      "arg": [ {
        "ablName": "",
        "ioMode": "RETURN",
        "ablType": "character extent",
        "msgElem": { "type": "body", "name": null }
      }, {
        "ablName": "pcChar",
        "ioMode": "input",
        "ablType": "character",
        "msgElem": { "type": "field", "name": "pcChar" }
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

URI mapping
 /invoke/1
 /{service}/data/{resource}
 /{collection}/{coll-id}

Status codes
 202 / Accepted
 418 / I'm a teapot

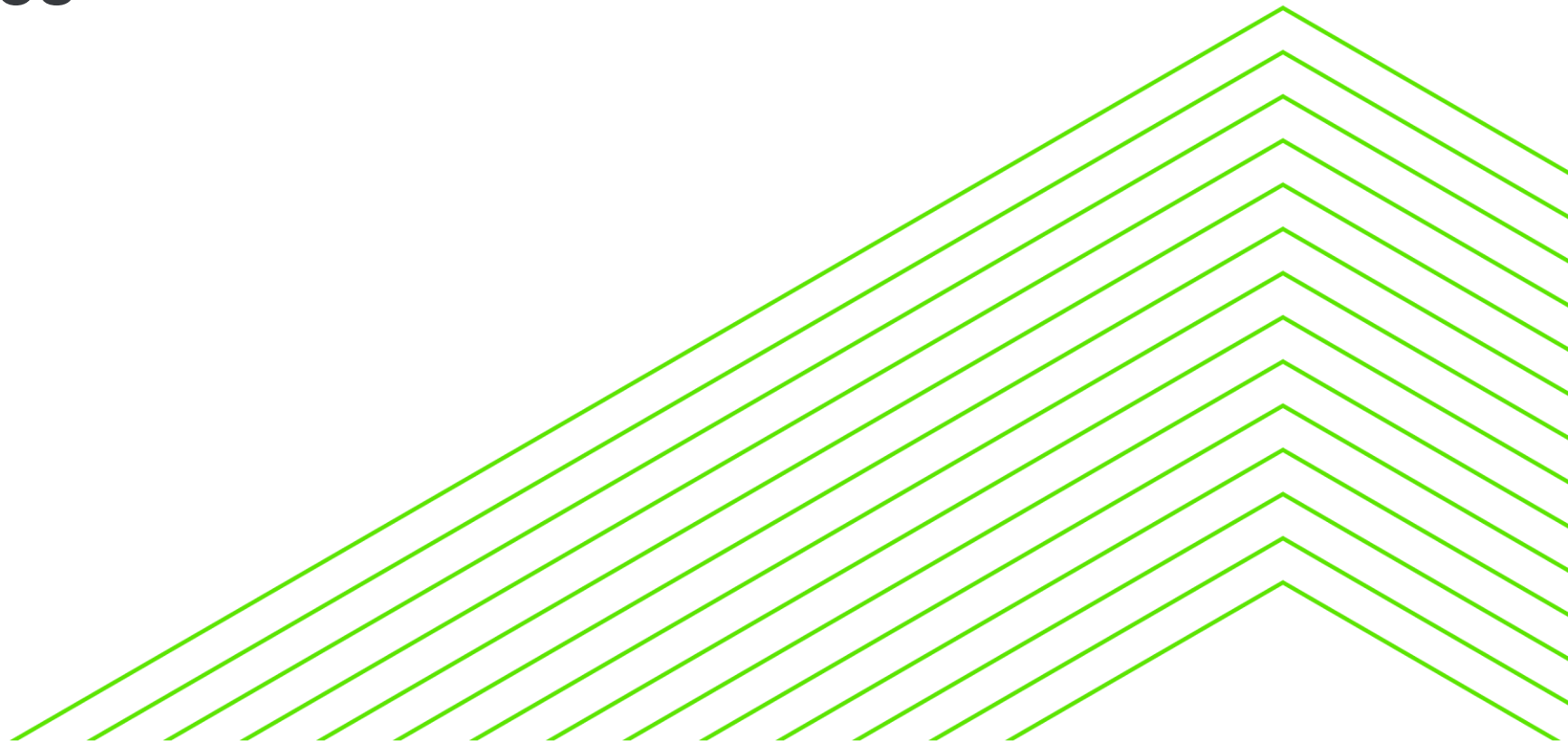
Envelopes
 requestEnvelope : "input"
 errorEnvelope : "oops"

IO Modes
 "input" "output" "input-output" "return"

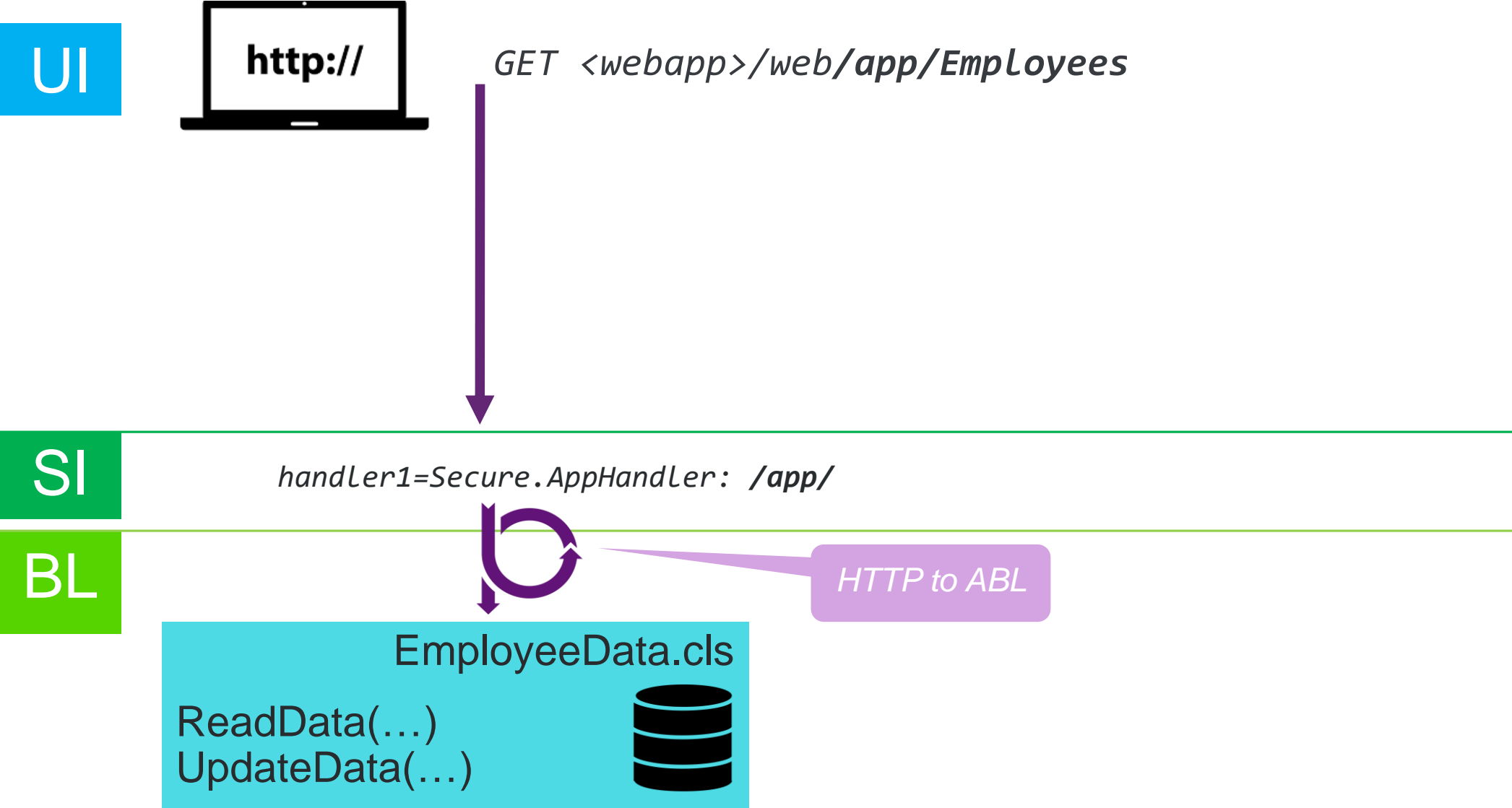
ABL data types (plus array variants)
 "character", "longchar", "integer", "int64", "decimal",
 "logical", "rowid", "recid", "date", "datetime", "datetime-tz",
 "raw", "memptr", "dataset", "temp-table",
 "class <ooabl.type.name>"

HTTP Message elements
 Request-only "path", "query", "httpMethod", "request",
 "constant"
 Response-only "none", "statusCode", "statusReason"
 Both "cookie", "header", "field", "body"

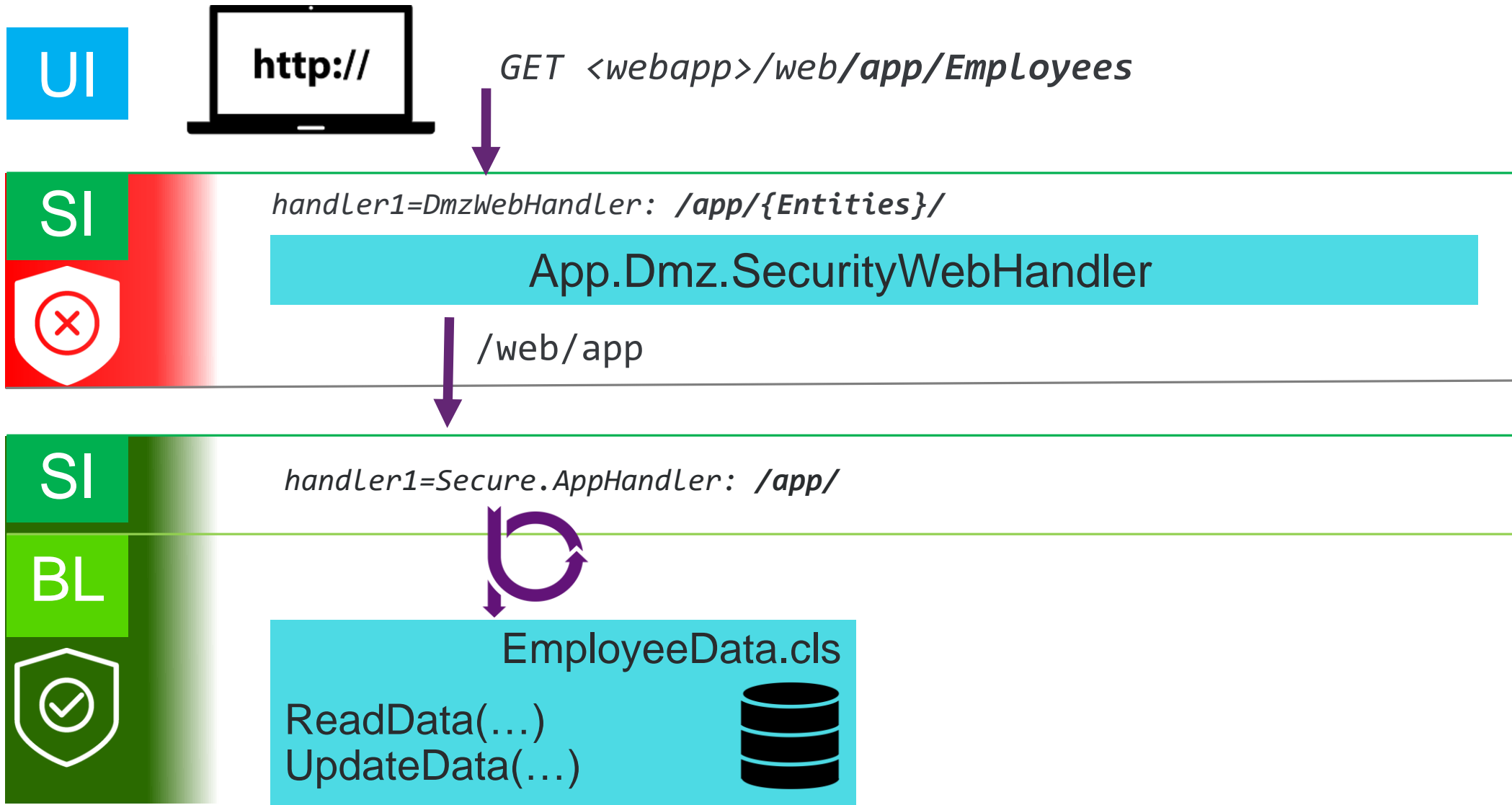
Server Architectures



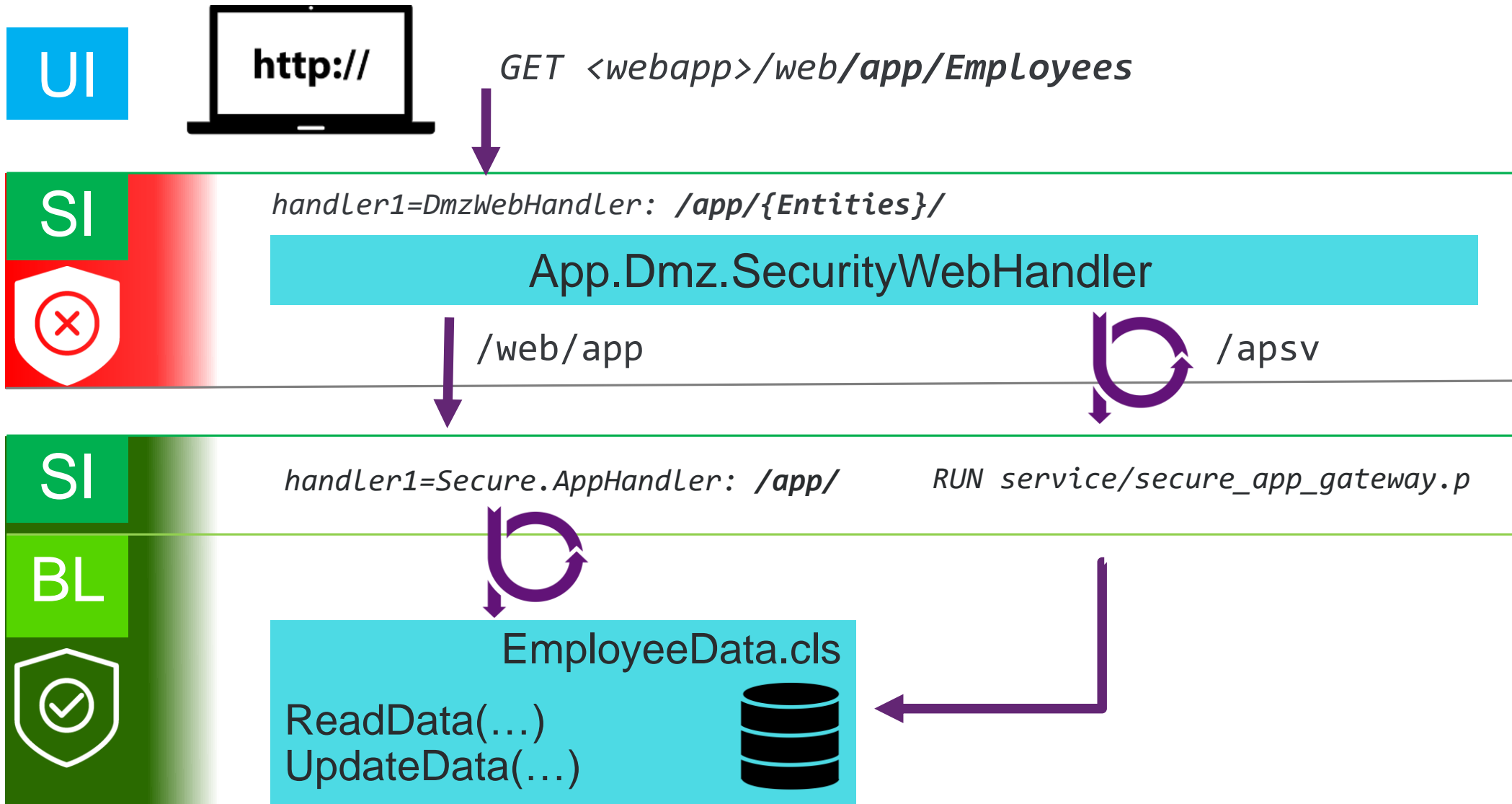
Single-tier architectures



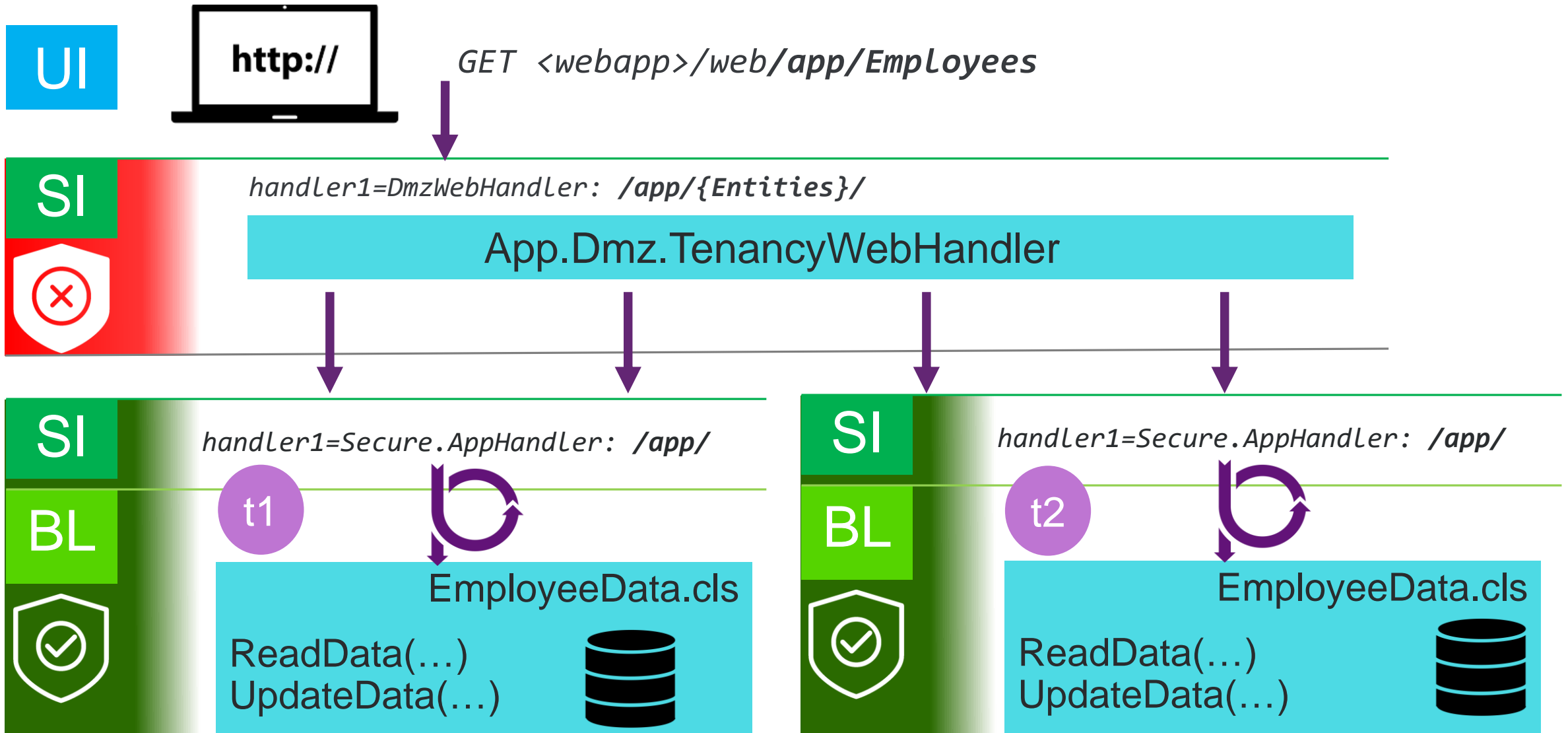
Multi-tier architectures



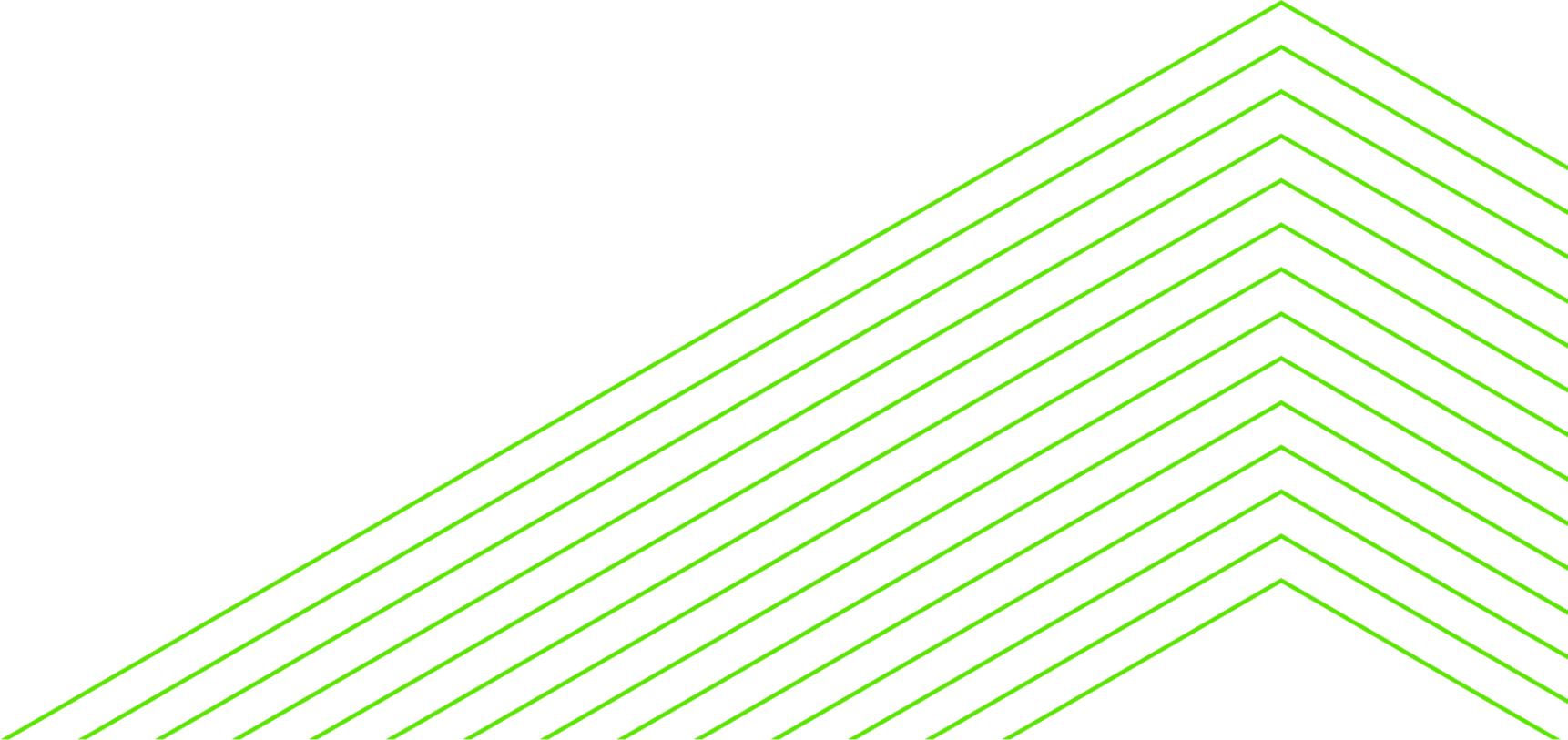
Multi-tier architectures



Multi-tier, multi-tenant architectures



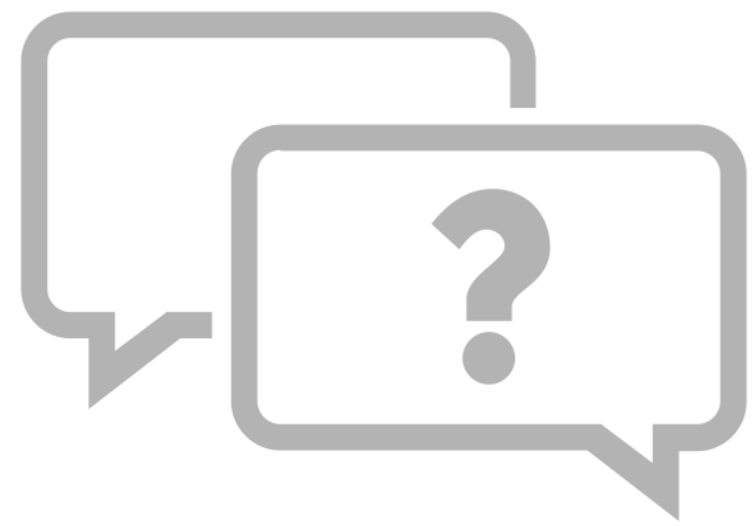
Demo



Conclusion

- Overview of WebHandlers
- How and where to use them
- DataObjectHandler

- Demo code is available at https://github.com/PeterJudge-PSC/http_samples/tree/master/web_handler/img_handler
 - Check out README.md for instructions



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