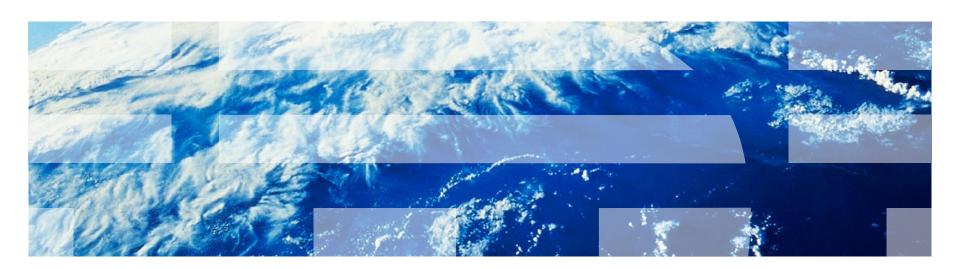


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Adapter framework overview





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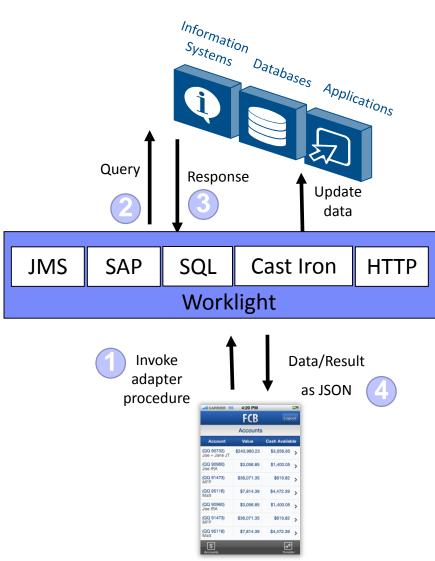
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Adapters overview

- An adapter is a transport layer that is used by IBM Worklight® Foundation to connect to various backend systems.
- Adapters are used to:
 - Retrieve information
 - Perform actions
- Adapters that are provided with the product:
 - SQL adapter
 - HTTP adapter (supports both REST and SOAP)
 - Cast Iron® adapter
 - JMS adapter
 - SAP Netweaver Gateway adapter





Adapters overview - Benefits

Universality

Supports multiple integration technologies and backend information systems

Read-only and transactional capabilities

Adapters support read-only and transactional access modes to backend systems

Fast development

Use simple XML syntax and easily configured with JavaScript™ API

Security

- Use of flexible authentication facilities to create connections with backend systems
- Adapters offer control over the identity of the connected user

Scalability

 Adapters reduce the number of transactions on backend systems by using cache to store retrieved backend data

Transparency

 Data that is retrieved from backend applications is exposed in a uniform manner regardless of the adapter type



Adapters overview - Anatomy

- Each Worklight adapter consists of:
 - An XML file, describing the connectivity options and listing the procedures that are exposed to the application or other adapters.
 - A JavaScript file, containing the implementation of procedures that are declared in the XML file.
 - Zero or more XSL files, containing a transformation scheme for retrieved raw XML data.
- Data that is retrieved by an adapter can be returned raw or preprocessed by the adapter itself. In both cases, it is presented to the application as a JSON object.



Adapters overview - Anatomy - procedures

- Procedures provide adapter functions to the application.
- Procedures call backend services to retrieve data or to perform actions.
- Procedures are declared in XML and are implemented with server-side JavaScript.
- Using server-side JavaScript, a procedure can process the data before or after it calls the service.
- More filtering can be applied to retrieved data with simple XSLT.
- Usually, adapter procedures are implemented in JavaScript, but since an adapter is a server-side entity, it is possible to use Java snippets in the adapter code.



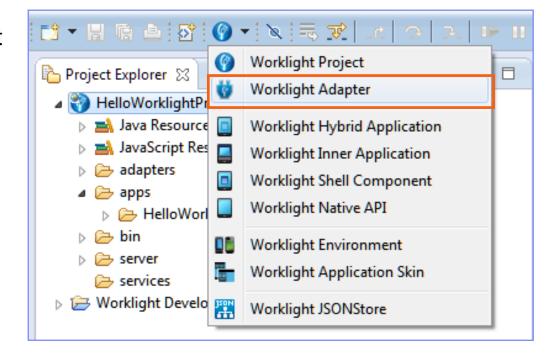
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Adapter creation

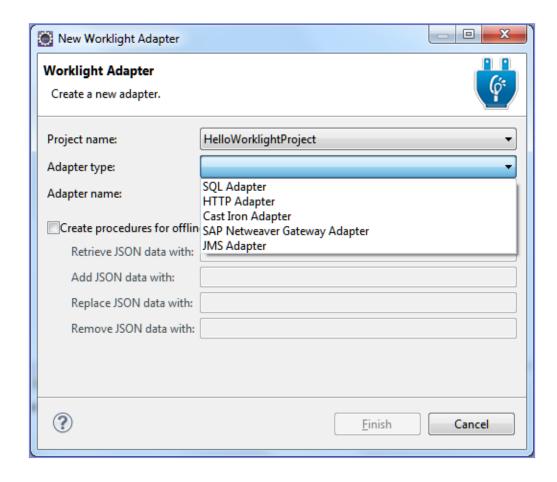
- In Eclipse, click the Worklight icon that is located in the toolbar
- Select Worklight Adapter





Adapter creation – continued

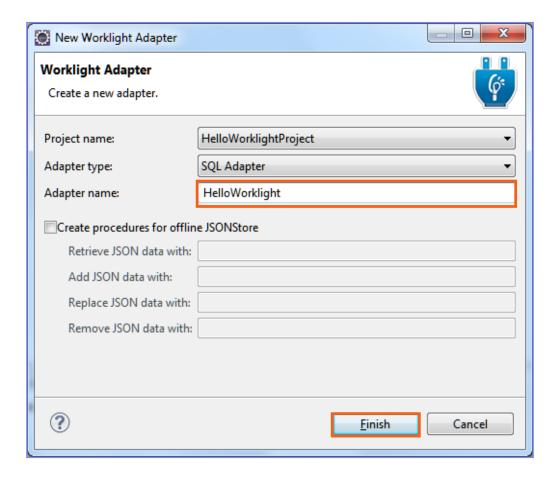
- Select a Worklight project.
- Select an Adapter type.





Adapter creation – continued

- Select an Adapter type.
- Type an Adapter name.
 - Applications access the adapter with this name.
- Click Finish.

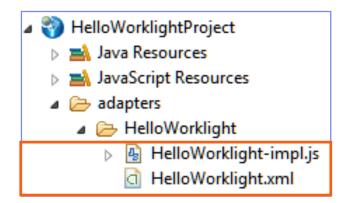




Adapter creation – continued

The result:

- XML files, which declare procedures and connection properties.
- A JavaScript file, which defines procedures and the adapter logic.





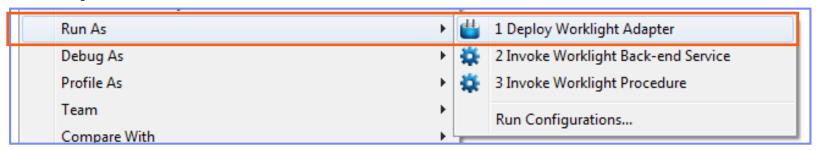
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Adapter deployment

- Select an adapter to deploy.
- Right-click the adapter and select Run As > Deploy Worklight Adapter.



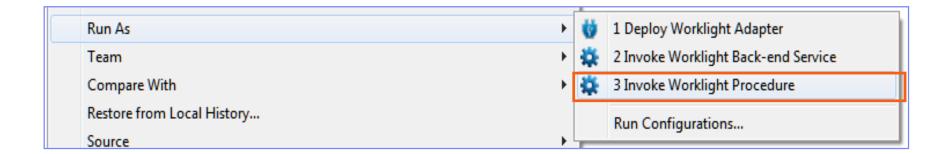
- Worklight Studio archives the adapter code and deploys it to the Worklight Server.
- You can see the deployed adapter in Worklight Console:





Adapter deployment – testing adapter procedures

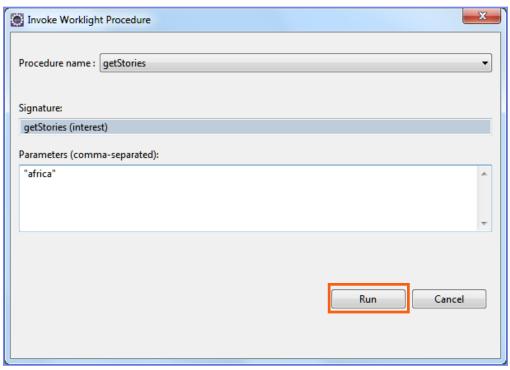
- Use Worklight Studio to test the adapter procedures.
- To run a procedure test, choose Invoke Worklight Procedure from the Run As menu.





Adapter deployment – testing adapter procedures - continued

- Select the procedure that you want to test.
- Enter comma-separated procedure parameters.
- Click Run.





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Adapter structure - XML

```
<wl:adapter name="HelloWorklight">
 <displayName />
 <description />
 <connectivity>
      <connectionPolicy>
      <loadConstraints>
 </connectivity>
 continue />
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```

The adapter name is a required attribute.



Adapter structure - XML - continued

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Optional: The name that is displayed in Worklight Console



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Optional: Additional information that is displayed in Worklight Console



Adapter structure – XML - continued

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Connectivity

- Defines the connection properties and load constraints of the back-end system
- When the back-end system requires user authentication, this element defines how user credentials are obtained

</wl:adapter>



Adapter structure - XML - continued

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Procedures

Declare a service for accessing a back-end application. One entry for each adapter procedure.



Adapter structure - JavaScript

- Each procedure declared in the adapter XML file must have a corresponding function in the JavaScript file.
- WL.Server API defines a procedure logic in JavaScript.

```
var procedure1Statement = WL.Server.createSQLStatement("select COLUMN1,
COLUMN2 from TABLE1 where COLUMN3 = ?");
function procedure1(param)
                                              JavaScript File
   return WL.Server.invokeSQLStatement({
      preparedStatement: procedure1Statement,
      parameters : [param]
});
```



Quiz

Test your knowledge. Answers are in the following slide.

- A Worklight adapter is used to:
 - Adapt the application to various environments such as iOS or Android.
 - Connect to various back-end systems.
 - Make sure that client application works directly with a corporate back-end system.
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