

Programming__WebObjects

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WebObjects is a an integrated suite of freely available Java frameworks and tools that helps a developer to develop scalable, sophisticated applications for the Internet on most computers with Java support.

It is the most mature platform available for enterprise level web server development, providing object oriented framework support for relational database object persistence (in any JDBC compliant database), Ajax, Web Services, streaming media, Java Client, Rapid Application Development, file upload /download and many other popular web technologies.

Originally developed by and for NeXT computers in the mid 1990's, it was ported by Apple to Mac OS X and Mac OS X Server under Objective C and then completely translated to Java. It is the technology on which Apple's own iTunes Music Store was developed.

It has a very active and helpful developer community with mailing list support at the [WO Developer Mailing List](#).

Introduction

- [What is WebObjects?](#)
- [Naming Conventions](#)
 - The naming convention for objects in WebObjects is that names are written in what is called "camel case".
 - The various prefixes are not hard to explain. "NS" stands for "NextStep", "EO" for "EnterpriseObject", "WO" for WebObjects.
- [Foundation](#)
- [Objective-C to Java Transition](#)
- [Recent Changes](#)

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Foundation

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- [Key Value Coding](#)

Enterprise Object Framework (EOF)

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 - [Common Pitfalls and Troubleshooting](#)
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- Custom Attributes
- Examples

Using EOF

- [Overview](#)
- **Required Reading**
 - [The EOF Commandments](#)
 - [EO Editing Context](#)
 - [Context and Database Locking](#)
 - [Faulting](#)
 - [Fetching](#)
 - [Deleting](#)
 - [Caching and Freshness](#)
 - [Optimistic Locking](#)
 - [Memory Management](#)
 - [EOF Best Practices](#)
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 - [Common Pitfalls and Troubleshooting](#)
- **Advanced**
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 - [Logging](#)
 - [EOF Performance Tuning](#)
 - [Primary Keys](#)
 - [Compound Primary Keys](#)
 - [Concurrency](#)
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 - [Database Adaptors and Plugins](#)
 - [Undo and Redo](#)
 - [EOSharedEditingContext](#)
 - [Raw Rows](#)
 - [Batch Fetching](#)
 - [Fetch Limits](#)
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 - [Delegates and Notifications](#)
 - [Multiple Stacks or Instances](#)
 - [Custom Qualifiers](#)
 - [Localization and Internationalization](#)
 - [Default Values](#)
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- [Help!_EOF_is_Doing_Strange_Things!](#)

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 - [WO Adaptor](#)
 - [WO Session](#)
 - [WO Component](#)
 - [Binding Synchronization](#)
 - [Code, Templates, and WODs](#)
 - [Component Actions](#)
 - [Direct Actions](#)
 - [Authentication and Security](#)
 - [General Best Practices](#)
 - [WOForm Best Practices](#)
 - [Direct Connect](#)
 - [Frameworks](#)
 - [Ajax](#)
 - [CSS](#)
 - [Sending Emails](#)
 - [Common Pitfalls and Troubleshooting](#)
- **Advanced**
 - [Audit Trails](#)
 - [Image Thumbnailing](#)

- Database vs Filesystem (aka Images in the Database?)
- Stateless Components
- WOEvents and Logging
- PDF Generation
- Excel Generation
- SSL
- Localization and Internationalization
- Testing and JUnit
- Custom Error Handling
- Custom Templates
- Calling Commandline Applications
- Profiling WO Apps
- J2EE Integration
- WebObjects and Subversion
- Third Party Jars
- Generating Static Pages
- Cocoa EO Applications
- Custom Resource Manager
- Persistent Sessions
- How Forms Work
- Development on Windows
- Tips and Tricks
- Examples
 - Page Layout
 - List Components
 - Calendar Component
 - Path Inspector
 - Alphabetic List
 - Login
 - Anchors
 - Open Link in New Window
 - Return a File

Deployment

- [Overview](#)
- Required Reading
 - [Apache](#)
 - [Standard Deployment](#)
 - [Logging](#)
 - [Split Install](#)
 - [Common Pitfalls and Troubleshooting](#)
- Advanced
 - [WOStats](#)
 - [Additional Monitoring](#)
 - [Scheduled Restart](#)
 - [Tomcat Deployment](#)
 - [Killing WOA Processes](#)
 - [Debugging Frozen Deployed Instances](#)
- Platform Specifics
 - [Mac OS X Server](#)
 - [Solaris](#)
- Helpful Tools & Shellscripts

Web Services

- [Overview](#)
- Required Reading
 - [WO as a Web Service Provider](#)
 - [WO as a Web Service Consumer](#)
 - [Common Pitfalls and Troubleshooting](#)
- General Info
 - [Instructions for .NET consuming Direct to WebServices](#)
 - [Testing Services with Terminal](#)
- Advanced
 - [Sending Large Data](#)
 - [How to Trust Any SSL Certificate](#)
 - [Problems](#)
 - [Controlling Enterprise Object Serialisation](#)
 - [Controlling WSDL Service Location](#)
 - [Integration with WebServicesCore on MacOS-X](#)
 - [Working With Temporary GlobalIDs](#)

Complementary Frameworks

Project WONDER

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- Required Reading
 - [Installing](#)
 - [Quickstart](#)
 - [History](#)
 - [Frameworks](#)
 - [Ajax](#)
 - [ERCalendar](#)
 - [ERChangeNotificationJMS](#)
 - [ERExtensions](#)
 - [ERJavaMail](#)
 - [ERPlot](#)
 - [ERSelenium](#)
 - [ExcelGeneration](#)
 - [PostgresqlPlugin](#)
 - [Validity](#)
 - [WOOgnl](#)
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WireHose

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- Basic Concepts
 - [Content Management](#)
 - [Access Control](#)
 - [Dynamic Layouts](#)
 - [Rapid Development](#)
- Reference
 - [Online Reference Library](#)
 - [Developer Overview](#)
 - [Java API Reference](#)
 - [Properties Reference](#)
 - [Database setup](#)
 - [Regular Expressions](#)
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LEWOSTuff

- [Overview](#)

GVC Frameworks and GVC.SiteMaker

- [Overview](#)

Development Tools

- [Eclipse and WOlips](#)
- [EOModeler](#)
- [Running Though Apache](#)

Direct-To

- Required Reading
 - [Web](#)
- [Advanced](#)
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Java Client

- [Overview](#)

Testing

- [Load Testing WO Apps with JMeter](#)
- [WJUnitTest](#)

Database Compatibility / Comparisons

- [FrontBase](#)
- [OpenBase](#)
- [MySQL](#)
- [Postgresql](#)
- [Oracle](#)
- [Data Migration](#)
- [Informix](#)

Alternative Technologies Pros / Cons

- [Cayenne](#)
- [Ruby on Rails](#)

Additional Resources

- [Websites](#)
- [Books](#)
- [Training](#)