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# **DB2 REST API and z/OS Connect – SQL/Stored Procedures Play a Role in Mobile and API Economics**

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# Agenda

- The bigger picture - emerging business model “API Economy” is leveraging APIs to generate new business
- z/OS Connect provides a consistent REST(JSON) interface into z/OS- based business functions
- DB2 11 native RESTful service support provides a new interface into DB2 for z/OS

# APIs are giving rise to a new value chain



Big Data



Assets

Big data sources provide insights that are shared and monetized through APIs

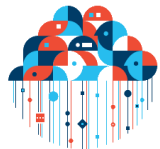


Social



Users

Social APIs fuel personalized experiences for users and new business models



Cloud



Web Apps

Cloud services are exposed through Web APIs enabling rapid composition environments

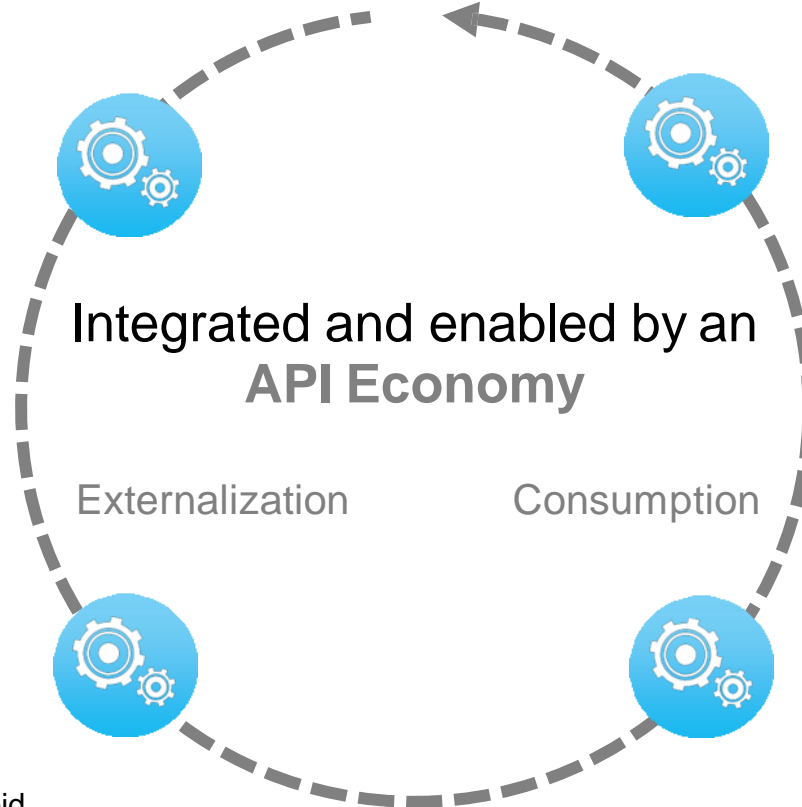


Mobile



Apps

Mobile applications make calls to back end services through Web APIs



Business models are evolving



stores



(800) ###s



web sites



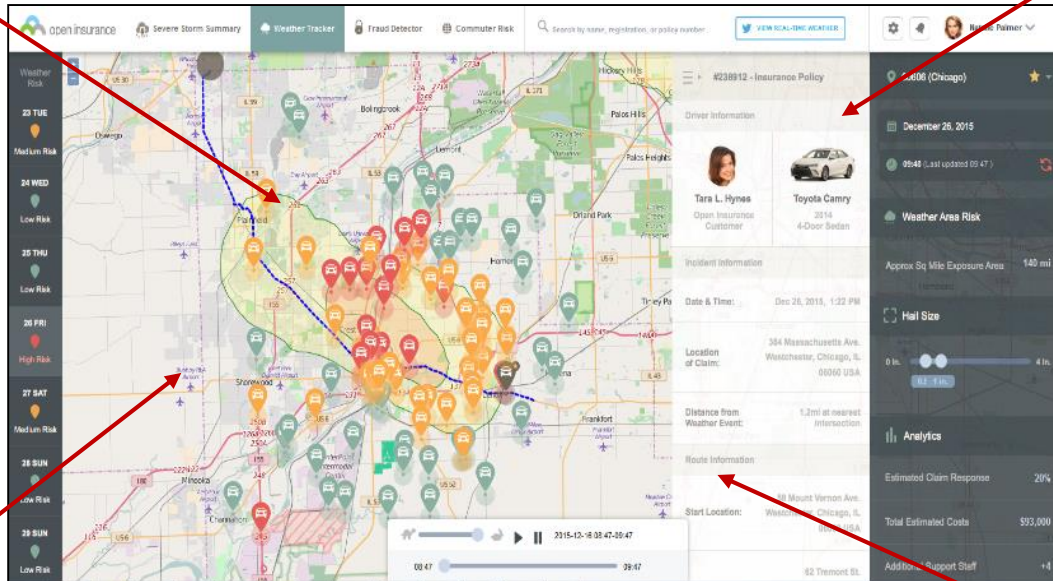
web APIs

APIs represent a new, fast-growing channel opportunity

# Weather Tracker Example



Public cloud  
geospatial-  
temporal  
data



SoR  
Driver/ Risk Data  
API enabled



Public cloud  
Weather data  
service



Public cloud /OnPrem  
device data  
service



# Introduction to REST

- **REST** - “Representational State Transfer” ... which uses HTTP/HTTPS and HTTP/HTTPS verbs to allow a client to interact with a server over the TCP/IP network.
- **JSON** - “JavaScript Object Notation” ... a name/value pair representation of data that is relatively lightweight and generally simpler to handle and parse than XML.
- An architectural style for **accessing** and **updating** data
- Simple and intuitive for the end consumer (the developer)

Use HTTP verbs for Create, Read, Update, Delete (CRUD) operations

GET  
POST  
PUT  
DELETE

http://<host>:<port>/path/parameter?name=value&name=value

URIs represent things (or lists of things)

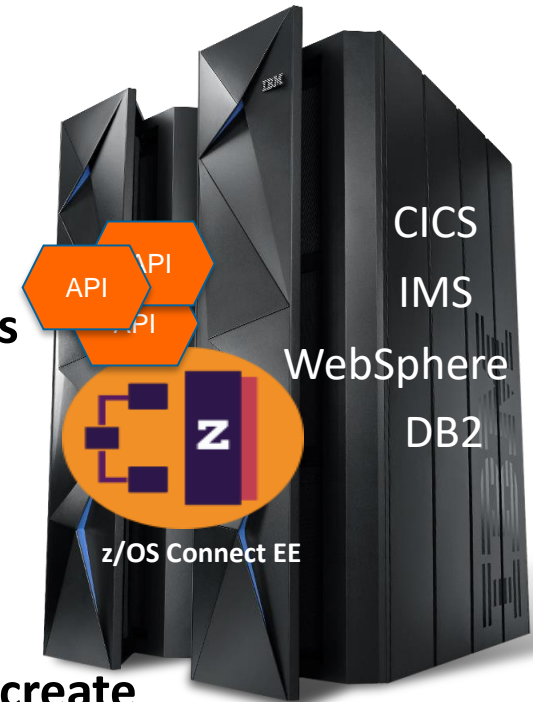
Query Parameters are used for refinement of the request

Request/Response Body is used to represent the data object

```
GET
http://www.dbs.com.sg:9080/API/Department?Location=tampines
RESPONSE: HTTP 200 OK
BODY { { "DEPTNAME" : "IT Operation SERVICE DIV"
        },
        { "DEPTNAME" : "DBMS SERVICE DIV"
        }
}
```

# z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition

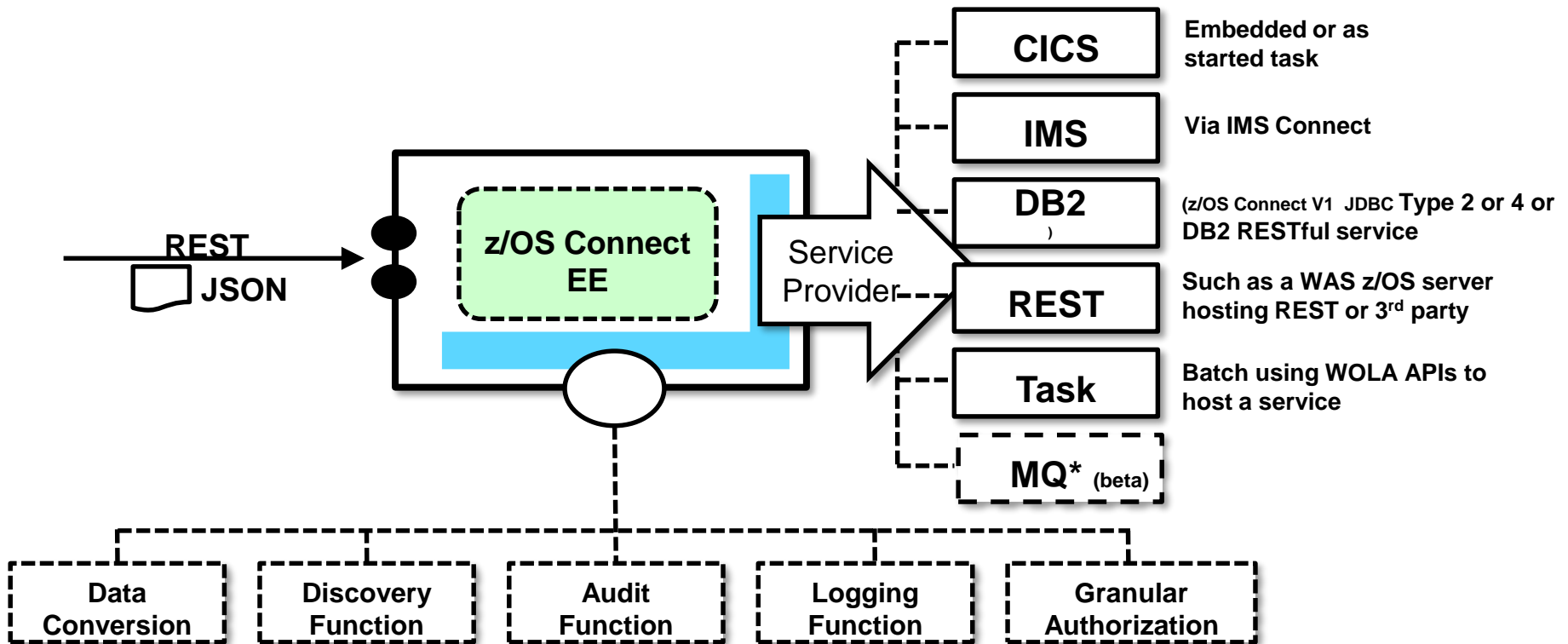
- **Provides single service channel for z/OS subsystem applications**
  - Industry Standard Interface (OpenAPI Initiative compliant)
  - Reduced interface layering, reduced complexity and costs
  - Scalable, highly available API
  - Secure, EAL5+
- **Delivers RESTful APIs as a discoverable, first-class resource with OpenAPI Spec (Swagger 2.0) descriptions**
  - Ready for consumption by today's enterprise application developers and integration with API management solutions
  - [Swagger specification](#)
- **Comprehensive tooling that enables API developers to create RESTful APIs from z/OS-based assets**
  - [API Editor download](#)
- **Supports standard JSON message format and conversion to z/OS subsystem backend format requirements**





# z/OS Connect EE Structure

- Provides common infrastructure for discovery, authorization, auditing, logging
- Data conversion to service provider subsystem



\* <http://www.slideshare.net/MattLeming/hhm3481-ibm-mq-for-zos-enhancing-application-and-messaging-connectivity-in-a-hybrid-world>

# Why use Swagger?

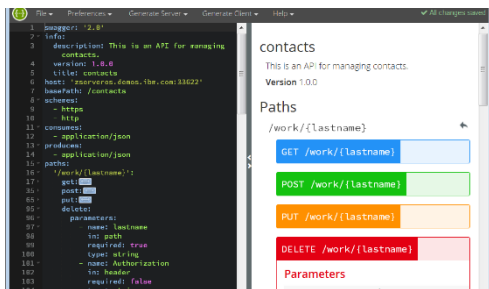


More than just an API description framework...

There are number of Open Source tools available to aid consumption:

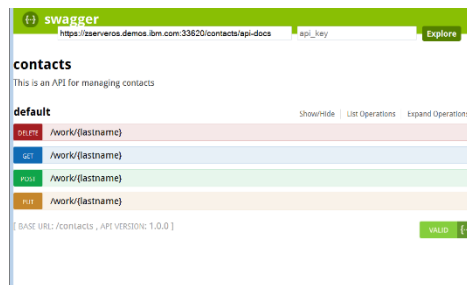
## Write Swagger

Swagger Editor allows API developers to design their Swagger documents.



## Read Swagger

Swagger UI allows API consumers to easily browse and try APIs based on Swagger Doc.



## Consume Swagger

Swagger Codegen creates stub code to consume APIs from various languages.



# Db2 RESTful Service Support

DB2 native RESTful service functionality **maintaining z/OS Connect externals** as applicable and

- Added by PI66828, PI70477 (Db2 11) or PI70652 (Db2 12)
- Is ready for use out of the box
- Reuses DDF functionality that provides a highly available, highly scalable and highly serviceable network interface
- DDF provides security, auditing, and data transformation as being provided using z/OS Connect
  - PERMIT DSN.REST CLASS(DSNR) ID(DB2USER) ACCESS(READ)
- Support of clientInfo fields
- Allows a database administrator to manage services
  - New catalog table SYSIBM.DSNSERVICE
  - Static execution pattern – auth checking, object dependency tracking

# Db2 RESTful Service Support

## HTTP Request

```
POST http://mybank.com:4711/services/ACCOUNTS/getBalance  
Body: { "ID": 123456789 }
```



REST client



HTTP + JSON

DDF

Discover  
Manage  
Invoke

HTTP and  
JSON parsing

Security Checks

Thread Creation

Db2

SQL  
execution

```
Body: { "BALANCE": 1982.42 }
```

HTTP Response

```
SELECT BALANCE  
FROM BANK.ACCOUNTS  
WHERE ID=123456789
```

SQL statement

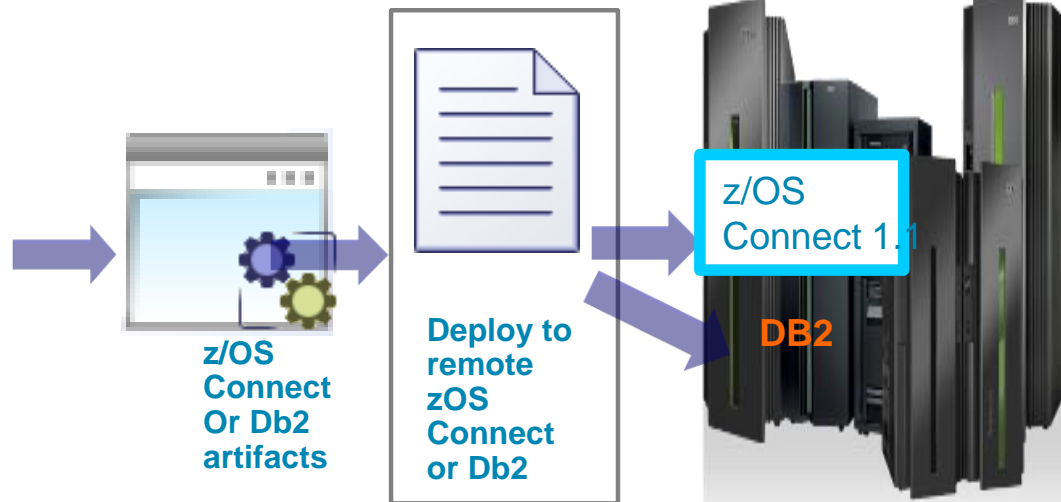
# Data Studio Tooling for z/OS Connect – End to End Development

```
SELECT *  
FROM EMPLOYEE  
WHERE EMPNO = :EMPNO
```

```
UPDATE EMPLOYEE  
SET FIRSTNAME = :FIRSTNAME  
WHERE EMPNO = :EMPNO
```

```
CALL BONUS_INCREASE(:factor,  
                    :maxSumForDept,  
                    :deptsWithoutNewBonuses,  
                    :countDeptsViewed:,  
                    :countDeptsBonusChanged,  
                    :errorMsg)
```

Database operations

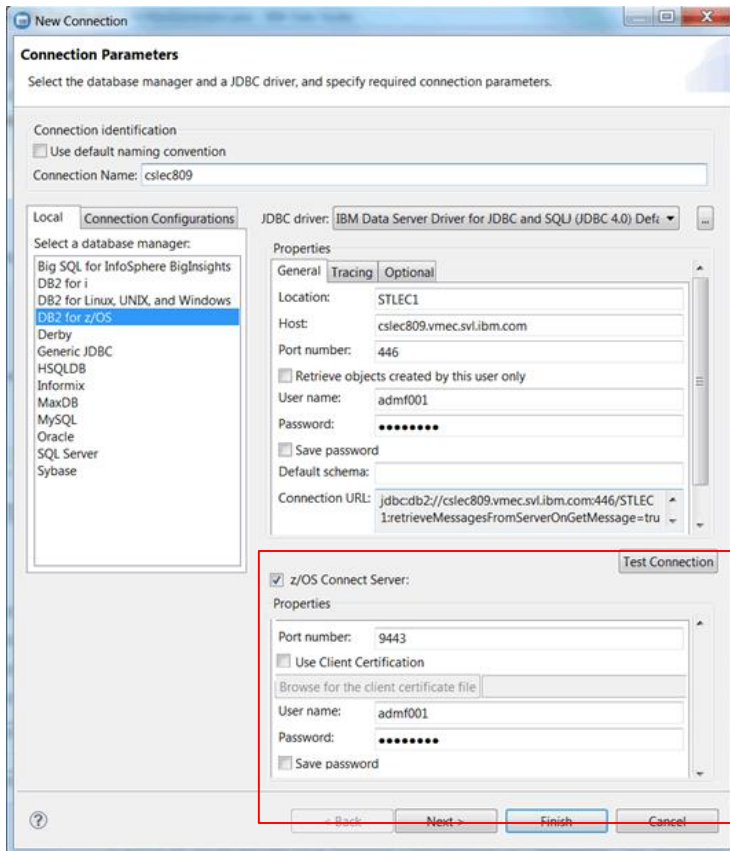


Data Web Services  
of Data Studio

z/OS Connect on LPAR

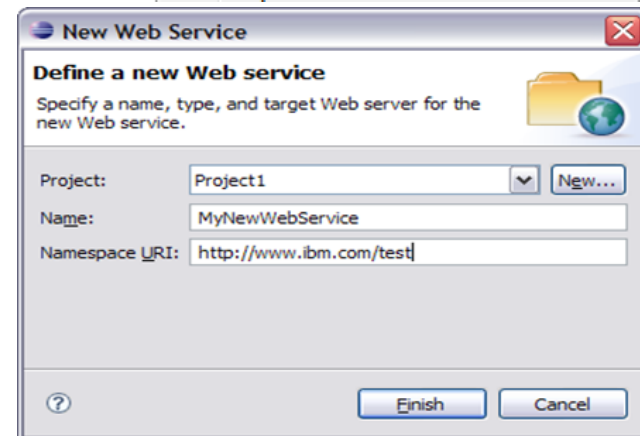
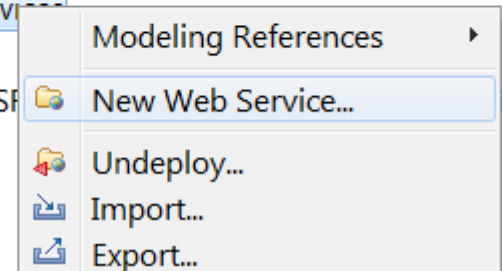
# User Interface

## 1. Define z/OS Connect together with Database connection



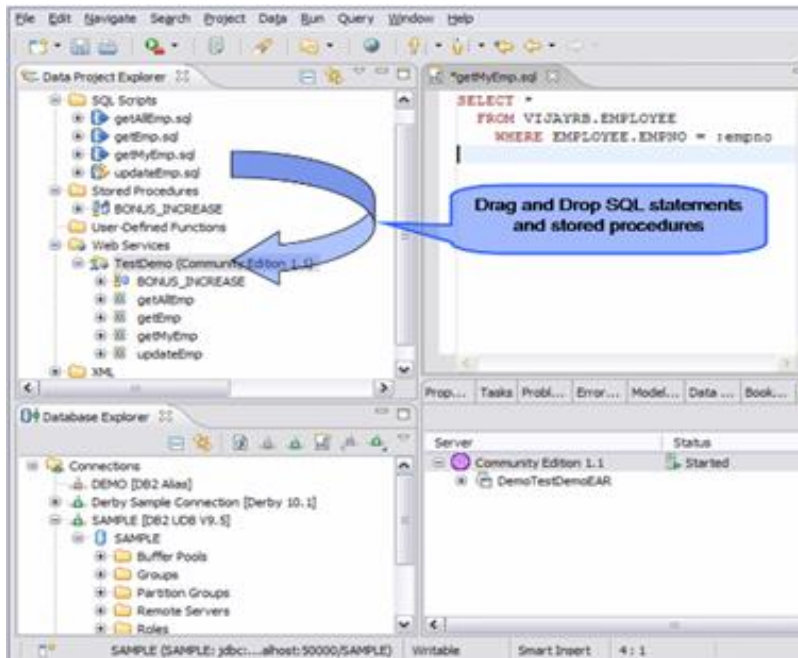
## 2. Define a new service by right click on Web Services folder

- Project1 (Z10;jdbc:db2://cslec808.vmec.svl.ibm.com:4
  - Jars
  - SQL Scripts
  - Stored Procedures
  - Tests
  - User-Defined Functions
  - Web Services
  - XML
- Project2 (CSF)

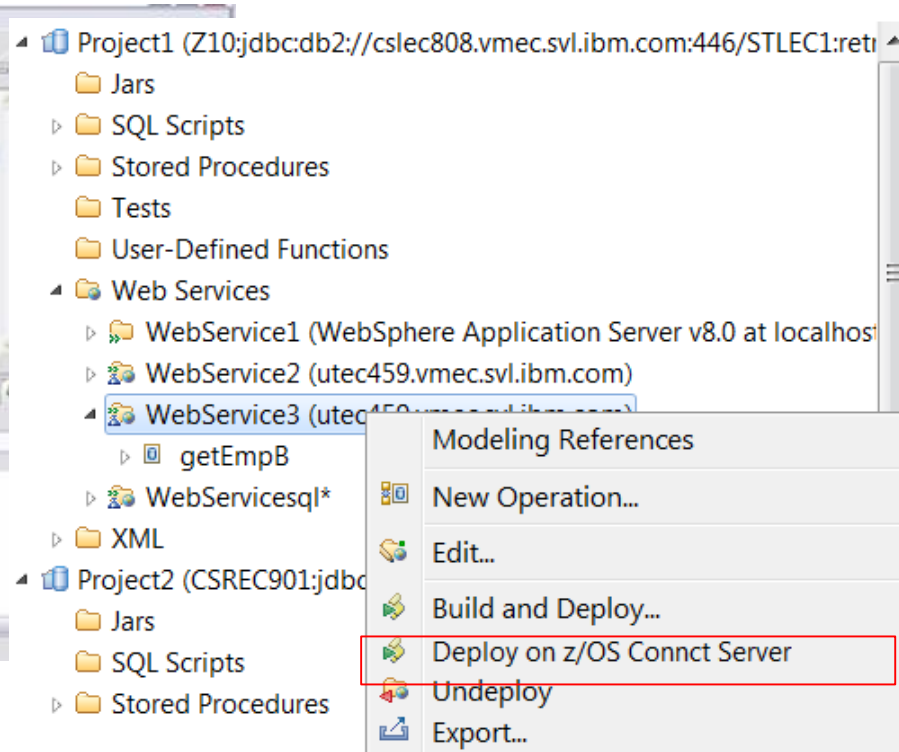


# User Interface...

3. Drag 'n drop



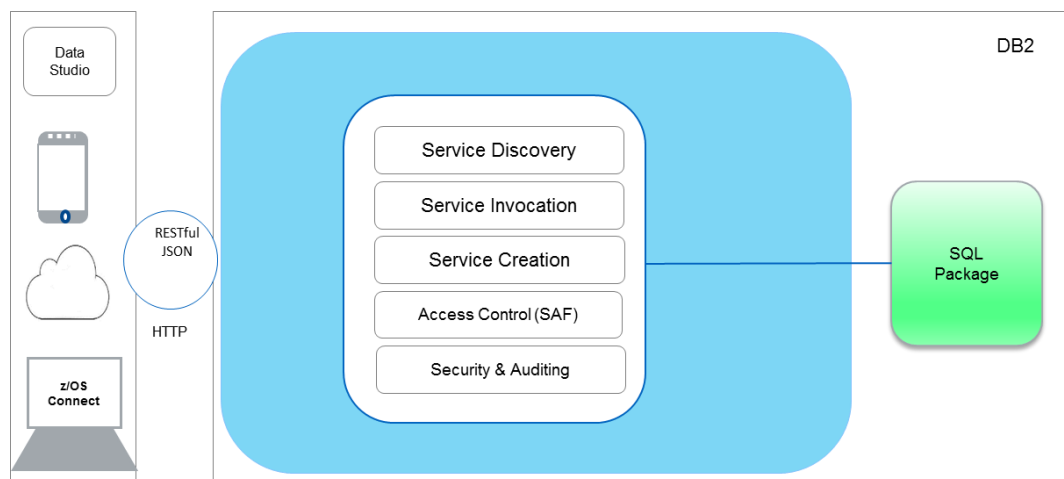
4. Right click to Deploy in z/OS Connect



Service definitions are deployed in z/OS Connect – ready to use

# DB2 Native RESTful Service Support ...

- Create|DROP|START|STOP Service using either Data Studio support, or direct DB2 RESTful service call  
POST https://<host>:<port>/services/DB2ServiceManager  
{ "requestType": "createService«....}"
- Discover all services and discover details for a specific service using direct DB2 RESTful service call  
POST https://<host>:<port>/services/DB2ServiceDiscover  
{ ["collectionID": "<collectionID>"]
- DB2 RESTful service invocation.
  - DB2 Adapter for z/OS Connect V1 invocation API syntax
  - New DB2 native REST invoke API.





# Creating a Db2 RESTful service using BIND

```
BIND SERVICE(collection-id) NAME(service-name)  
[SQLDDNAME(ddname)]
```

- SQLDDNAME specifies the JCL DD containing the SQL
  - Can be inline, sequential data set, library member, zFS or UNIX file
- Supports long list of common BIND parameters
- Service can be deleted using FREE SERVICE command

```
FREE SERVICE(collection-id.service-name)
```

- Added by PI86867 (Db2 11) and PI86868 (Db2 12)

# Example Create using DSN BIND SERVICE

```
//CR8SRVC EXEC PGM=IKJEFT01,DYNAMNBR=20
//STEPLIB DD DSN=DB2A.SDSNEXIT,DISP=SHR
// DD DSN=DB2A.SDSNLOAD,DISP=SHR
//SYSTSPRT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSUDUMP DD SYSOUT=*
//DSNSTMT DD DSN=SYSADM.SERVICE.SQL(SELECT1),
// DISP=SHR
//SYSTSIN DD *
DSN SYSTEM(DB2A)
```

```
BIND SERVICE(SYSIBMSERVICE) -
NAME("simpleSelect1") -
SQLENCODING(1047) -
DESCRIPTION('return a list of deptname-
based on input location')
```

```
/*
```

# Display of DB2 Native REST service locations and threads

You can issue the `-DISPLAY THREAD` command to identify and display threads that actively execute DB2® REST services. The correlation ID for a thread that processes a service is set to "DB2\_REST" while the application name is the name of the service that is invoked.

The following is a sample output of the `-DISPLAY THREAD` command which identifies "DB2A" as the active thread and "simpleSelect1" as the application.

```
00- 17.39.04      -DB2ADIS THREAD(*) DET
- 17.39.04 STC00179 DSNV401I -DB2A DISPLAY THREAD REPORT FOLLOWS -
- 17.39.04 STC00179 DSNV402I -DB2A ACTIVE THREADS -
- NAME      ST A  REQ ID          AUTHID  PLAN    ASID TOKEN
- DB2A      RA *   0 028.DBAA  02 SYSOPR          0071    7
- V437-WORKSTATION=Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64; rv:45.0) Gecko/2
-   0100101 Firefox/45.0
-   USERID=user001
-   APPLICATION NAME=simpleSelect1
- V441-ACCOUNTING=POST SYSIBMSERVICE.simpleSelect1
- V442-CRTKN=::FFFF:<host>.<port>.D149FF032587
- V445-G934E317.FC7D.D149FF032587=7 ACCESSING DATA FOR
-   ( 1)::FFFF:<host>
- V447--INDEX SESSID          A ST TIME
- V448--( 1) <port>          R2 1624617373942
- DISCONN DA *   0 NONE          NONE    DISTSERV 0071    9
- V471-USIBMSY.SYEC1DB2.D149FF2F06EA=9
- DISPLAY ACTIVE REPORT COMPLETE
- 17.39.04 STC00179 DSN9022I -DB2A DSNVDT '-DIS THREAD' NORMAL COMPLETION
```

# DB2 Native RESTful Service Support

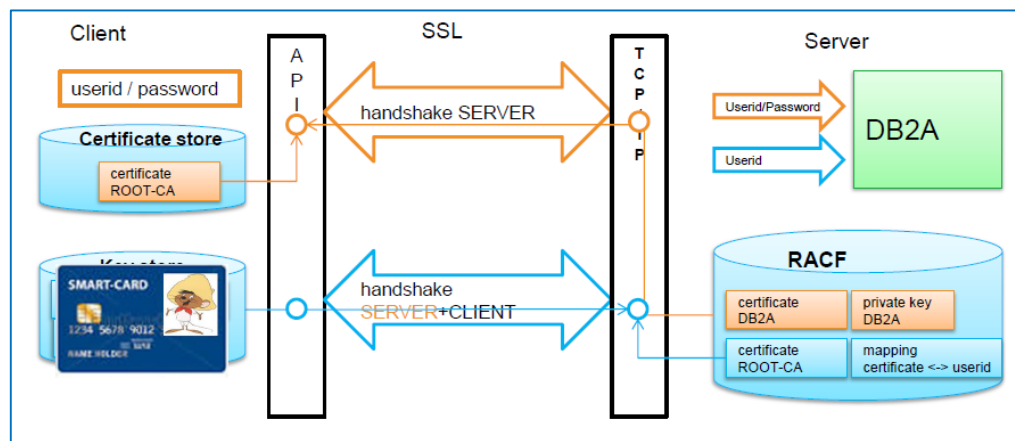
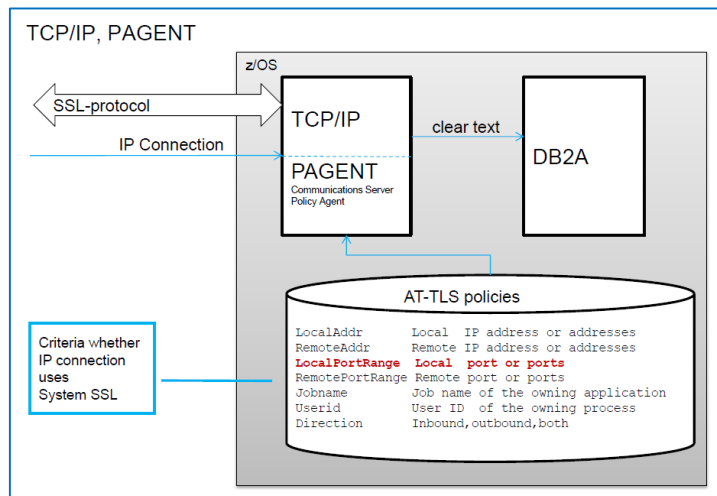
- Uses cloud and mobile application programming HTTP and HTTPS protocols
  - Needs to be HTTPS for connectivity from DataStudio
- zIIP eligibility of distributed workload
- All DB2 Native REST APIs uses static SQL packages
  - Dynamic SQL with SQL as parameter to SQL PL SP
- DB2 Native RESTful service integrates with z/OS Connect EE
  - Coming: Tooling to simplify service definition in z/OS Connect
  
- **References**

[The easiest way on the planet to create RESTful Web Services!](#)

# Security of DB2 Native REST service connections

DB2® supports HTTPS REST service requests by using the z/OS® Communications Server IP Application Transparent Transport Layer Security (AT-TLS) capability. The policy-driven AT-TLS support is configured in the TCP/IP stack and performs the TLS check on behalf of DB2 by invoking the z/OS system SSL feature in the TCP layer.

To support HTTPS requests, you must use a secure port for SSL connections. Make sure that the DDF TCP/IP SQL Listener service is capable of listening to a secondary secure port for inbound SSL connections. DDF verifies that all connections to DB2 through the secure port are protected by AT-TLS policies.



## Setup SSL and client cert authentication

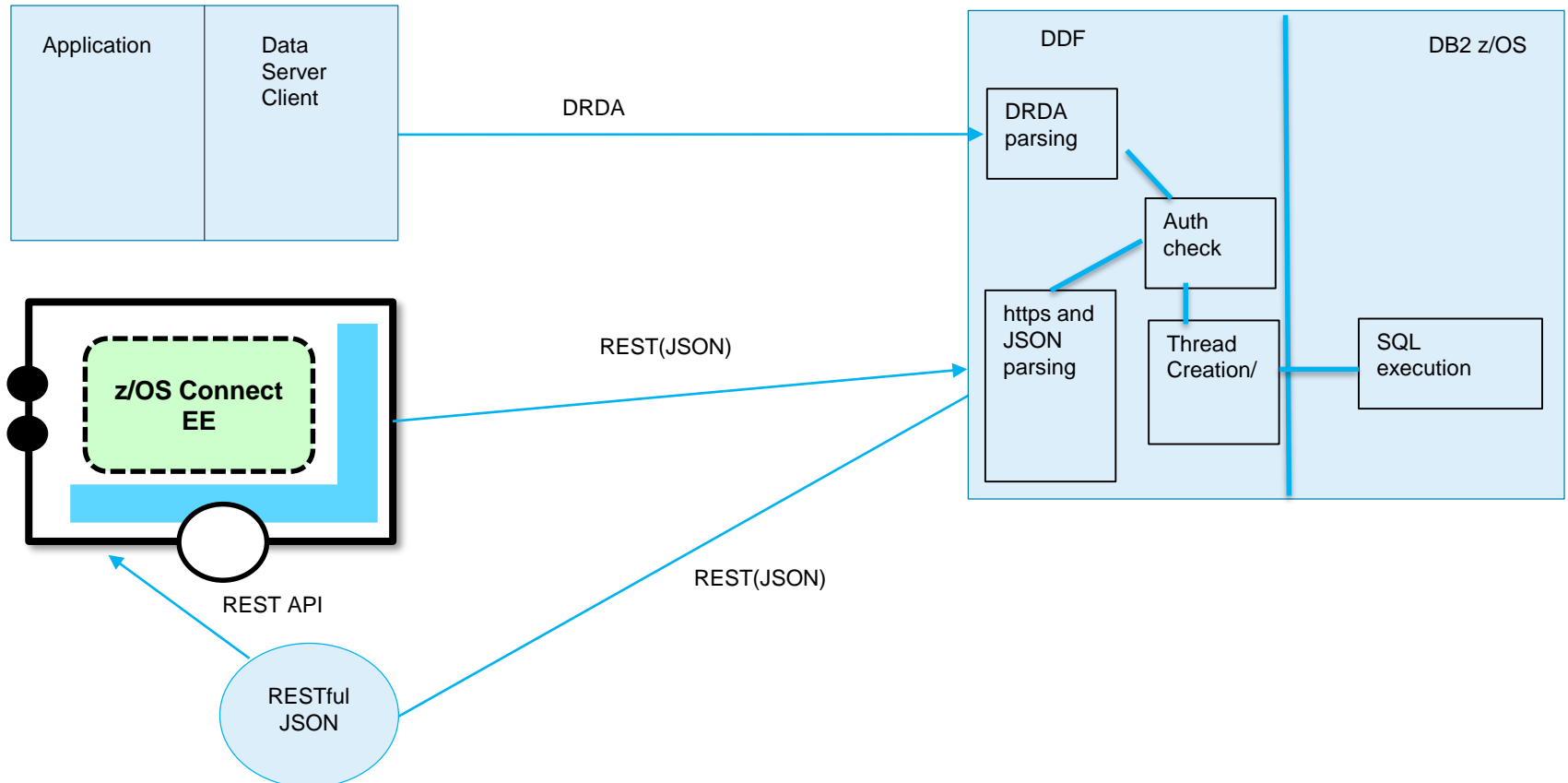
<http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/redpapers/pdfs/redp4799.pdf>

<http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/redbooks/pdfs/sg248099.pdf> (chapter 12)

# DB2 Native RESTful Service Support ...

Alternative distributed connectivity to DB2,

- No need for DB2 drivers, DB2 Connect gateway or DB2 Connect license
- Service call direct or via z/OS Connect



# z/OS Connect EE Configuration Options with DB2 V11

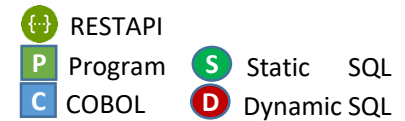


Diagram	Hop #	Pay load	Network Protocol	SQL Statement	zIIP Offload	Dev. Skill
	3	DB2 native data	TCPIP/ Sync Inbound	Coded in Client App. Dynamic SQL	DDF connection part only	Easy
	4	DB2 native data	TCPIP/ Sync Inbound	Coded in Client App. Dynamic SQL	DDF connection part only	Easy+
	4	CTG native data	TCPIP/ Sync Inbound	Coded in CICS App. Static SQL	Some CTG portion	Mode rate
	5	MQ MSG	TCPIP/ Asyn In & Out bound	Coded in CICS App. Static SQL	All GCP	Mode rate+
	3	REST/JSON	HTTP/ Sync Inbound*	Defined in DB2 z/OS. Static SQL	DDF connection partly. 90%+ on z/OSCEE	Super Easy
	4	REST/JSON	HTTP/ Sync Inbound*	Coded in CICS App. Static SQL	90%+ on z/OSCEE	Easy

Note\* : zOSCEE is planning to support outbound. (But, subject to be changed)

# DB2 11 for z/OS Knowledge Center – RESTful Services

IBM Knowledge Center

DB2 for z/OS

DB2 for z/OS 11.0.0

- + Data sharing
- + International data
- **DB2 REST services**
  - Authorization of REST service users
  - Authentication of REST service requests
  - Security of REST service connections
  - Management of REST service client information
  - Classification of REST services
  - Monitoring of REST service connections and threads
  - Display of REST service locations and threads
- + Creating database objects required by REST services
  - Creating a DB2 REST service
  - Invoking a DB2 REST service
  - Dropping a DB2 REST service
  - Discovering all DB2 REST services
  - Discovering details of a DB2 REST service
- + DB2 Adapter for z/OS Connect
- + IBM Text Search for DB2 for z/OS
- + IBM Spatial Support for DB2 for z/OS
- + Programming for DB2

» **DB2 REST services** Version 11.0.0

As a REST (Representational State Transfer) service provider, DB2® enables your web, mobile, and cloud applications to interact with DB2 data through a set of scalable RESTful APIs. These APIs are fully integrated in the DB2 distributed data facility (DDF). You can use the APIs to create, discover, execute, and manage user-defined services in DB2.

DB2 defines a REST service as a package. Each package contains a single static SQL statement and is stored in a user-defined SYSIBM.DSNSERVICE catalog table. When a service is created, a new row is added to the table that associates the service with its corresponding package. After the package is bound, it can be executed only as a service.

An authorized user can discover and invoke the service through a REST HTTP client, including IBM z™/OS Connect Enterprise Edition (EE) or an IBM® Cloud API management solution. DB2 accepts the HTTP request, processes the request body in JSON (JavaScript Object Notation), executes the bound SQL statement, and returns any output in JSON.

All DB2 REST services are managed as native services. This DB2 native REST service solution leverages the existing DDF capabilities for authorization, authentication, client information management, service classification, system profiling, and service monitoring and display.

[Authorization of REST service users](#)  
You can use a DB2 REST profile in the RACF DSNR resource class to manage a user's access to the DB2 distributed data facility (DDF) REST APIs.

[Authentication of REST service requests](#)  
DB2 uses the IBM System Authorization Facility (SAF) to authenticate all HTTP REST service connection requests. The TCPALVER subsystem parameter specifies the minimum set of user credentials required for DB2 DDF to accept and invoke a REST service.

[Security of REST service connections](#)  
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[Management of REST service client information](#)  
DB2 DDF implicitly defines special registers and a global variable to store client information about a valid HTTP REST service request. The client information is externalized in accounting records and the output of the -DISPLAY command.

[Classification of REST services](#)  
You can use the z/OS Workload Manager (WLM) support to define performance objectives for a DB2 REST service and classify the service by the authorization ID or any other classification attribute.

[Monitoring of REST service connections and threads](#)  
You can monitor the connections and threads of HTTP REST service requests by setting special registers and global variables in the profiles.

II14827 – Db2 DDF native REST Info APAR, documents known restrictions, limitations, etc.



# Demo video resources

- Db2 11 and 12 for z/OS Native REST Services – Part #1  
Demonstrates how to create and invoke Db2 native REST services using SQL and stored procedures  
<https://youtu.be/6XkiEysnsCg>
- Db2 11 and 12 for z/OS Native REST Services and z/OS Connect EE 2.0 – Part #2:  
The video shows how to enhance Db2 REST services using z/OS Connect EE 2.0 and transform them into REST APIs.  
<https://youtu.be/91ji0w01E3A>

# Summary

- Emerging business model “API Economy” - leveraging APIs to generate new business
  - Companies are now exposing some of their key application assets as services to other users/application developers or external businesses
- DB2 Adapter for z/OS Connect is available for DB2 10 and DB2 11
  - Exploits z/OS Connect to REST(JSON)-enable SQL and Stored Procedures
  - It is a good start to get familiar with functionality when still on DB2 10
- DB2 11 RESTful service support provides a new native interface into DB2 for z/OS
  - Recommended functionality for DB2 11 NFM or later
- Integrates with z/OS Connect to provide a consistent REST(JSON) interface into z/OS- based business functions and development tooling support