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Who is Bob?

- JBoss Fellow
- Chief Architect of Middleware Cloud Computing
- Founder of...
 - The Codehaus
 - Drools
 - TorqueBox

Basic Premise

- You can run Ruby in the JVM
 - Compliant
 - Fast
- You can wire existing enterprise Java features into Ruby

Why?

- Ruby has a lot of varied point solutions.
- Traditionally web-centric frameworks.
- Performance issues.



What exactly is **TorqueBox?**



JBoss AS6	TorqueBox Deployers	JRuby
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JBoss AS6++

Just as good as regular **JBoss AS6**,
plus the goodness of a **Ruby platform**.

Ruby Platform

- Ruby Rack (1.1.0)
- JNDI
- JMS (HornetQ)
- Quartz
- VFS

Rack for Web

All Rack applications are supported.

Rails, Sinatra, bare Rack apps.

Rack for Web

Applications can be deployed from where-ever they sit on disk.

No bundling/jarring is required.

Rack for Web

Using Rack reloading extensions, or Rails' own development mode, applications can be modified while running.

Without redeploying.

Deploying Rails apps

`$JBOSS_HOME/server/default/deploy/myapp-rails.yml`

```
---  
application:  
  RAILS_ROOT: /Users/bob/applications/my_app  
  RAILS_ENV: development  
web:  
  context: /
```


(But you can bundle)

```
jar cvf myapp.rails -C myapp/ .
```


Everything else

Due to lack of specs/standards, we've invented our own APIs for bindings to JNDI, JMS, Quartz, etc.

Messaging

queues.yml

```
/queues/foo:  
  durable: true  
  
/queues/bar:  
  durable: false
```


Messaging

messaging.tq

```
subscribe MyConsumer,  
          '/queues/foo', :filter=>'...',  
          :config=>{  
            :answer=>42  
          }
```


In a Rails app...

```
app/  
  processors/  
    my_consumer.rb  
config/  
  messaging.tq  
  queues.yml  
  topics.yml  
deploy/  
  queues.yml  
  topics.yml
```

Either

MyConsumer

my_consumer.rb

```
class MyConsumer < TorqueBox::Message::MessageProcessor

  def on_message(body)
    puts "Processing #{body}"
  end

end
```


MyConsumer #2

my_consumer.rb

```
class MyConsumer

  def process!(jms_message)
    puts "Processing #{jms_message.body}"
  end

end
```


MyConsumer #3

my_consumer.rb

```
class MyConsumer < TorqueBox::Message::MessageProcessor

  def on_message(body)
    puts "Processing #{body} of #{message}"
  end

end
```


A client

my_client.rb

```
#!/usr/bin/env jruby

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  producer  = session.createProducer( queue )
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What if I **just want a farm of processors**, not lots of full AS instances?



JBossMC + VDF	TorqueBox Deployers	JRuby
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Messaging outside of AS

trq-message-broker

- Ruby API for firing up HornetQ

trq-message-processor-host

- Container for processors.

trq-message-broker

```
$ trq-message-broker -s \  
--deploy queues.yml
```


`trq-message-processor-host`

```
$ trq-message-processor-host \  
  -N naming.foocorp.com \  
  --deploy messaging.tq
```


A faded, light-colored background image featuring a microscope on the left and a fly on the right, both rendered in a semi-transparent style. The microscope is positioned vertically, and the fly is positioned horizontally, overlapping the microscope's body.

What's going on?

JBossMC and Ruby

- Andrew Lee Rubinger's **bootstrap-vdf-minimal**
- Large-grained “enablers”
- All from Ruby

Foundation

```
require 'torquebox/container/foundation'  
container = TorqueBox::Container::Foundation.new  
container.start
```


Foundation jboss-beans

```
<deployment xmlns="urn:jboss:bean-deployer:2.0">

  <bean name="Ruby" class="org.jruby.Ruby">
    <constructor factoryClass="org.jruby.Ruby" factoryMethod="getGlobalRuntime"/>
  </bean>

  <bean name="JRubyClassLoader">
    <constructor factoryMethod="getJRubyClassLoader">
      <factory bean="Ruby"/>
    </constructor>
  </bean>

  <bean name="RubyRuntimeFactory" class="org.torquebox.interp.core.SingletonRubyRuntimeFactory">
    <property name="ruby">
      <inject bean="Ruby"/>
    </property>
  </bean>

  <bean name="RuntimePoolDeployer" class="org.torquebox.interp.deployers.RuntimePoolDeployer"/>

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Message-Processor Host

```
require 'torquebox/container/foundation'  
container = TorqueBox::Container::Foundation.new  
container.enable( TorqueBox::Messaging::MessageProcessorHost )  
container.start
```


MPH jboss-beans.xml

```
<deployment xmlns="urn:jboss:bean-deployer:2.0">
  <classloader><inject bean="JRubyClassLoader"/></classloader>
  <bean name="MessageProcessorDeployer"
        class="org.torquebox.messaging.deployers.MessageProcessorDeployer"/>
  <bean name="MessagingRuntimePoolDeployer"
        class="org.torquebox.messaging.deployers.MessagingRuntimePoolDeployer">
    <property name="instanceFactoryName">RubyRuntimeFactory</property>
  </bean>
</deployment>
```

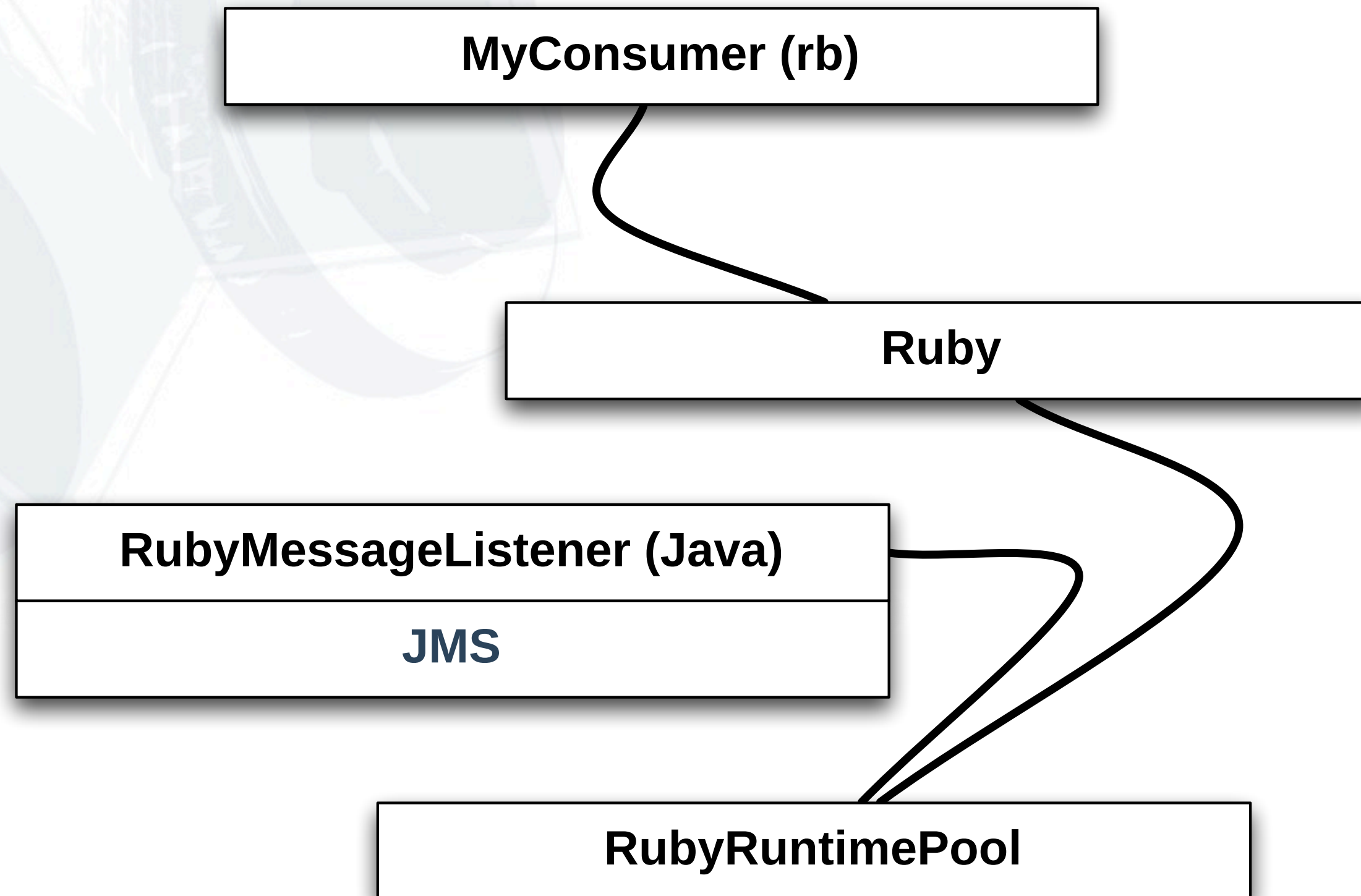

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    class="org.torquebox.messaging.deployers.MessageProcessorDeployer"/>  
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Pathway



Naming

A lot of things require JNDI.

Naming

In addition to enabling components, configuration can be included.

Local Naming

```
container.enable( TorqueBox::Naming::NamingService ) do |config|  
  config.export = false  
end
```


Local Naming

```
<deployment xmlns="urn:jboss:bean-deployer:2.0">
  <bean name="LookupExecutor" class="java.util.concurrent.ThreadPoolExecutor">
    <constructor factoryMethod="newFixedThreadPool"
      factoryClass="java.util.concurrent.Executors">
      <parameter>2</parameter>
    </constructor>
    <stop method="shutdown"/>
  </bean>

  <bean name="Naming" class="org.jnp.server.NamingBeanImpl"/>
</deployment>
```


Exported Naming

```
container.enable( TorqueBox::Naming::NamingService ) do |config|  
  config.host = "my-other-host.foocorp.com"  
  config.port = 10990  
end
```


Exported Naming

```
<deployment xmlns="urn:jboss:bean-deployer:2.0">

  <bean name="JNDIServer" class="org.jnp.server.Main">
    <property name="namingInfo">
      <inject bean="Naming"/>
    </property>
    <property name="port">${jnp.port:1099}</property>
    <property name="bindAddress">${jnp.host:localhost}</property>
    <property name="rmiPort">${jnp.rmiPort:1098}</property>
    <property name="rmiBindAddress">${jnp.host:localhost}</property>
    <property name="lookupExecutor">
      <inject bean="LookupExecutor"/>
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```


A faded, light blue background image of a TorqueBox bit, which is a specialized tool for drilling into metal. The bit is shown in a perspective view, highlighting its unique design with a central cutting edge and a wider, more aggressive cutting edge. The background has a subtle, textured appearance.

VDF bootstrap allows for
TorqueBox bits to be used
in other environments.



Allows us to boot up an
absolute minimal AS,
in 1 second.



The same code paths as **AS**.



JBoss **VFS**

FS v. VFS

Regular FS

VFS

home/
bob/
my.jar

mount

mount

home/
bob/
my.jar/
WEB-INF/
lib/
another.jar/
META-INF/
manifest.xml



Why do we like **VFS**?



Because there's more
than just the **filesystem**

The problem with Ruby

FILE

`/path/to/this/file.rb`

For Instance...

```
Dir [ "#{File.dirname(__FILE__)}/*.xml" ]
```


__FILE__

vfs: /path/to/the/current/file.rb

Making Ruby VFS-aware

Kernel

```
open( "vfs:/path/to/some.jar/some/content.txt" )
```

Dir

```
Dir[ "vfs:/path/to/some.jar/some/*.txt" ]
```

File

```
File.exist?( "vfs:/path/to/some.jar/some/content.txt" )  
File.read( "vfs:/path/to/some.jar/some/content.txt" )
```




Now Ruby doesn't care that
your filesystem is actually VFS.

Bundles

We want Ruby to be happy with VFS for when you deploy bundles and hope to farm.



But not warbling

Warbler builds a “normal” JavaEE .war.

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So, why bother?

Threading

Unlike C-Ruby, supports
real threading.

Management

RHQ/JON, stuff you're used to.

Integration

HornetQ, Quartz, etc, already available to your apps.

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Gotchas

Native gems

Native gems are not supported,
except **FFI**.

Threading

While **TorqueBox** gives you real threads, many existing Ruby libraries **suck**.



Thanks!



Q&A

Resources

<http://github.com/torquebox/>
<http://torquebox.org/>

Code

Project

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