

Building Secure OSGi Applications

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Preparation...

- Copy from the memory stick:
 - the ZIP file if you want to use VMware;
 - the folder with the project files if not.
- Alternatively, you can download the folder from:
<https://opensource.luminis.net/confluence/x/AYAq>
(13 MB)

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OSGi today

OSGi technology is the dynamic module system for Java™

OSGi technology is Universal Middleware.

OSGi technology provides a service-oriented, component-based environment for developers and offers standardized ways to manage the software lifecycle. These capabilities greatly increase the value of a wide range of computers and devices that use the Java™ platform.

OSGi Specification

OSGi Service Platform Core Specification

The OSGi Alliance

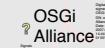
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OSGi Framework Layering

SERVICE MODEL

L3 - Provides a publish/find/bind service model to decouple bundles

LIFECYCLE

L2 - Manages the life cycle of a bundle in a framework without requiring the vm to be restarted

MODULE

L1 - Creates the concept of a module (aka. bundles) that use classes from each other in a controlled way according to system and bundle constraints

**Execution
Environment**

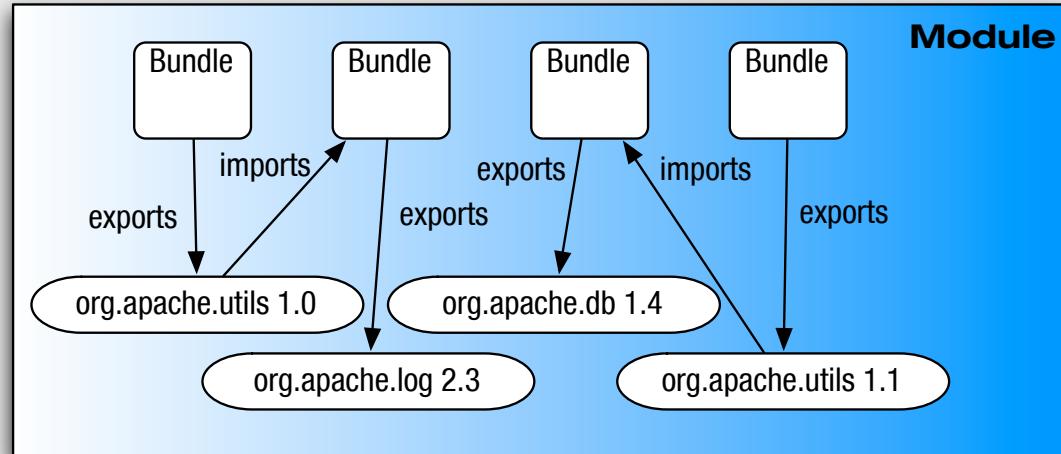
L0 -
OSGi Minimum Execution Environment
CDC/Foundation
JavaSE

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Module Layer (2/3)

- Multi-version support
 - i.e., side-by-side versions
- Explicit code boundaries and dependencies
 - i.e., package imports and exports
- Support for various sharing policies
 - i.e., arbitrary version range support
- Arbitrary export/import attributes
 - Influence package selection

Module

Module Layer (3/3)

- Sophisticated class space consistency model
 - Ensures code constraints are not violated
- Package filtering for fine-grained class visibility
 - Exporters may include/exclude specific classes from exported package
- Bundle fragments
 - A single logical module in multiple physical bundles
- Bundle dependencies
 - Allows for tight coupling when required

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Life-cycle Layer

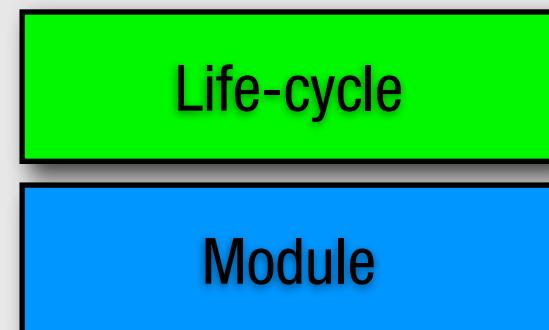
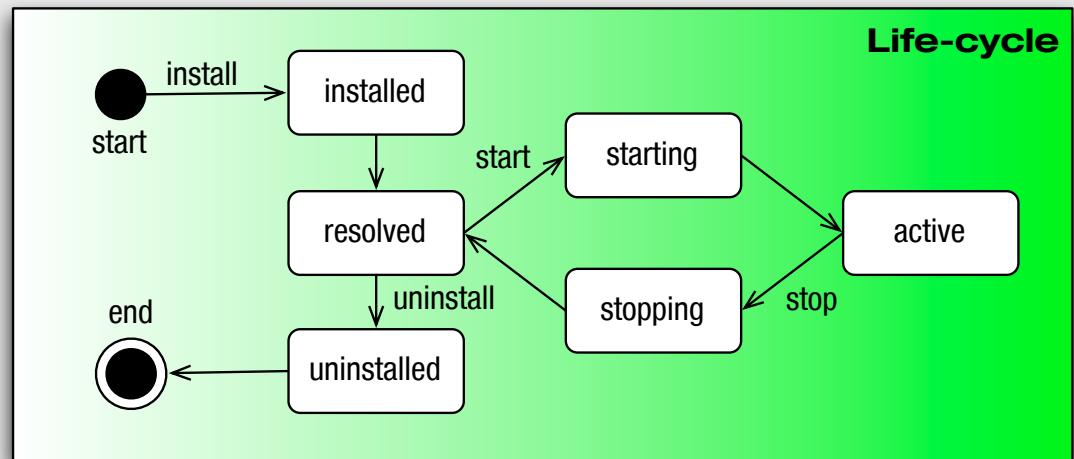
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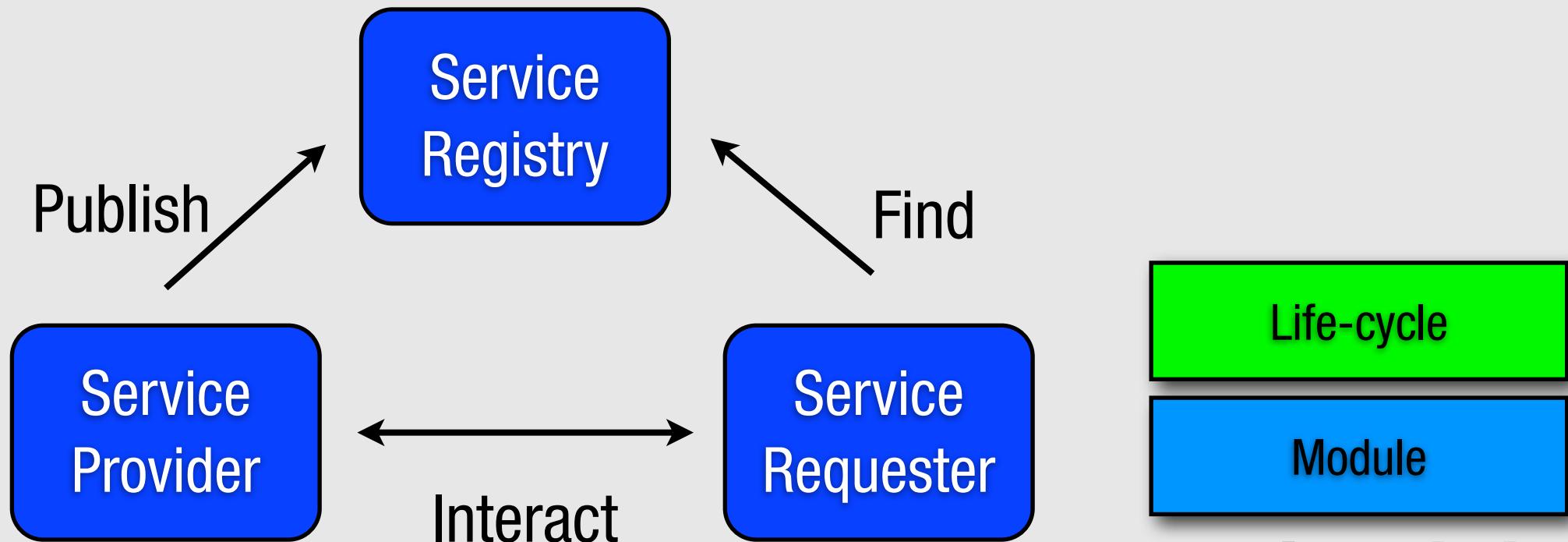
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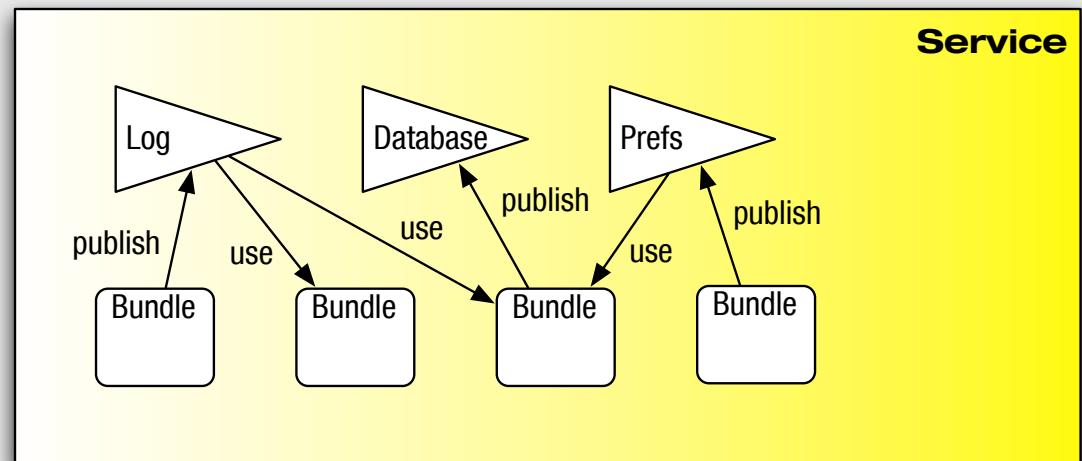
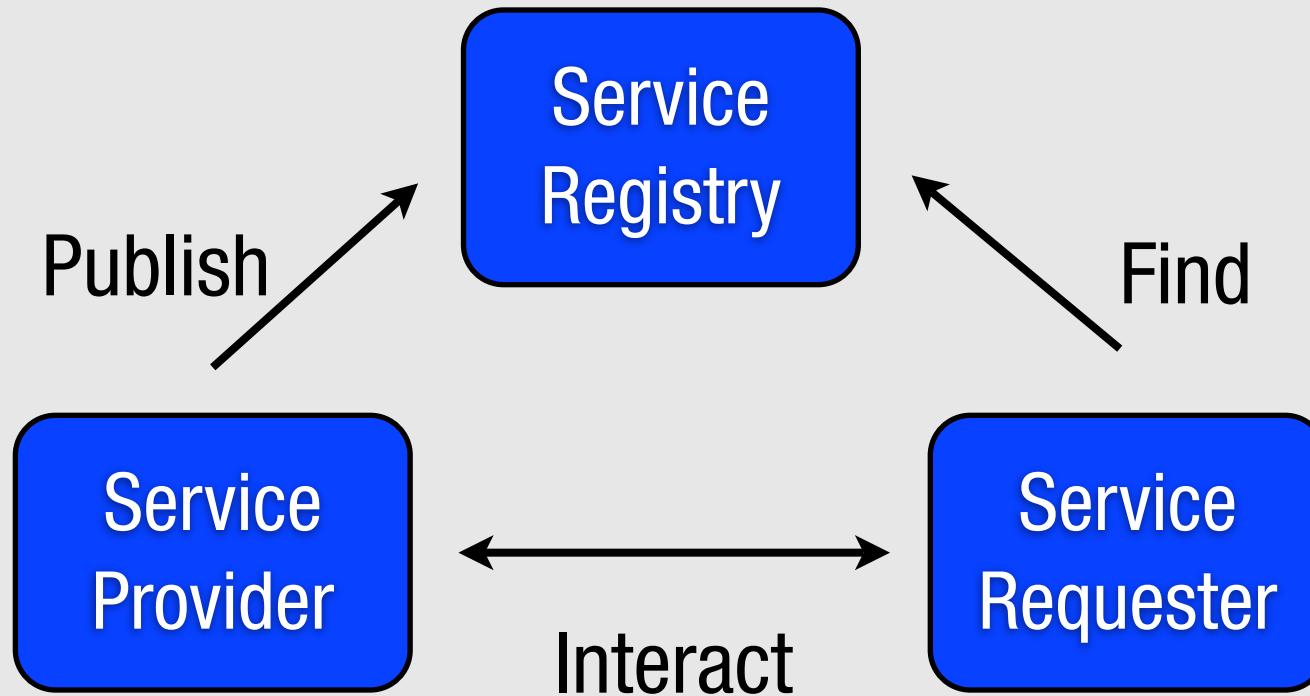
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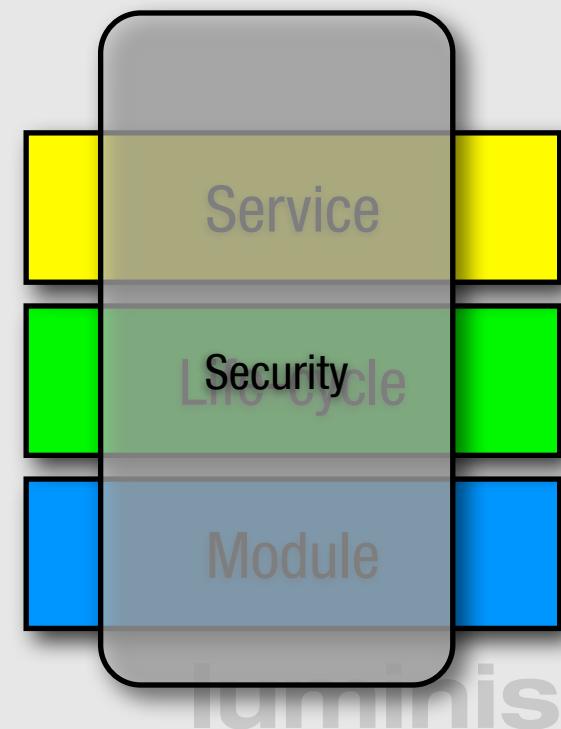
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Security

- Optional Security Layer based on Java permissions
- Infrastructure to define, deploy, and manage fine-grained application permissions
- Well defined API to manage permissions
- Code authenticated by location or signer



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Security Concepts Overview

- OSGi uses codebased security following the Java Security Model
 - Makes use of Protection Domain
 - The stack walk based Permission Check
 - Signed bundles
- User based security is supported by the UserAdmin service but not integrated in the standard permission check as with JAAS
- Additionally, PermissionAdmin and ConditionalPermissionAdmin provide sophisticated management infrastructure

Protection Domain

- Encapsulates characteristics of a domain
 - One protection domain per bundle
- Encloses a set of classes whose instances are granted a set of permissions
 - Set of permissions associated with each bundle
- Permission check consults all protection domains on the stack

Permission Check

- Invoked either by call to `SecurityManager.check*` or `AccessController.checkPermission`
 - `SecurityManager` is old way to do it
 - OSGi requires usage of the `SecurityManager` for full functionality
- Privileged calls used to cut off stack walk
 - Disregard code on the stack earlier than the latest privileged call.
- Merges context of parent thread as well

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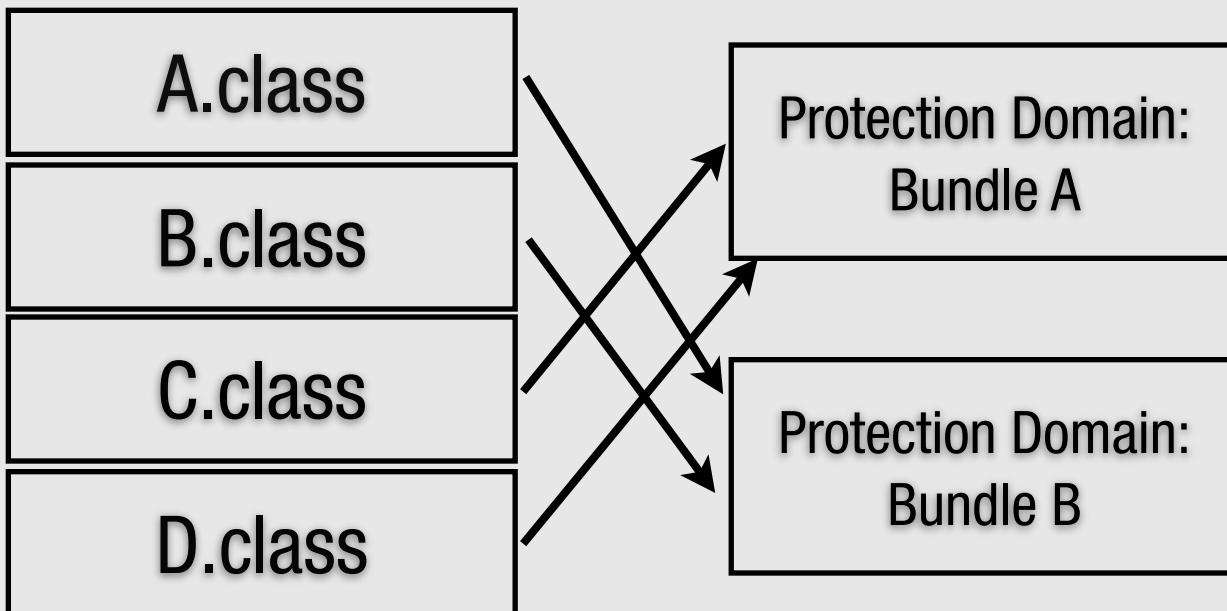
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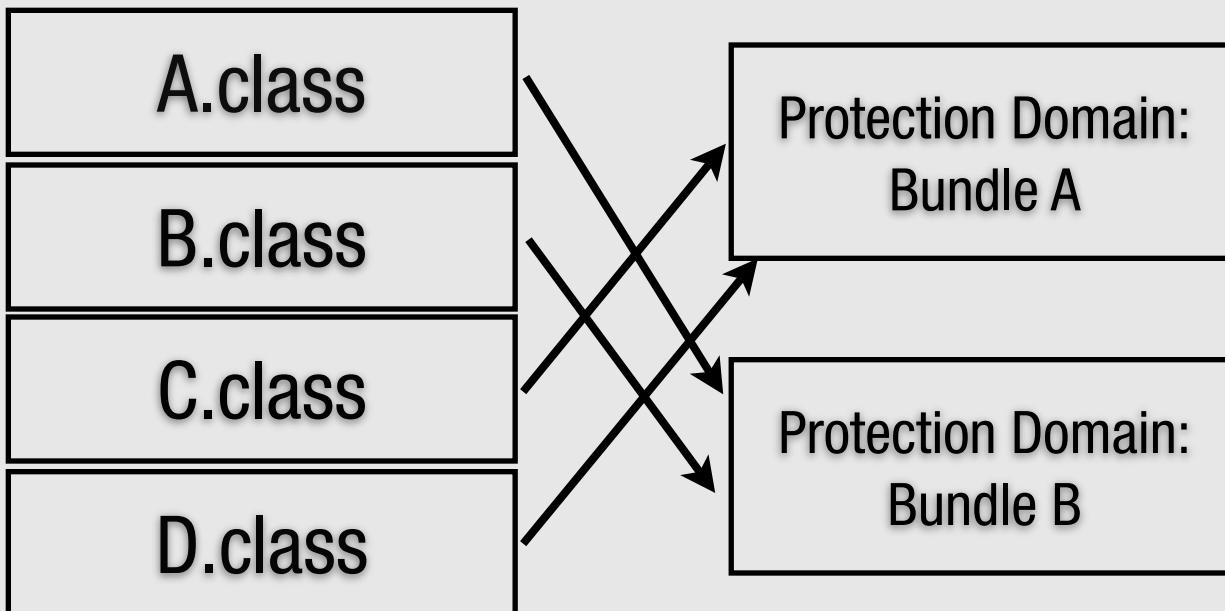


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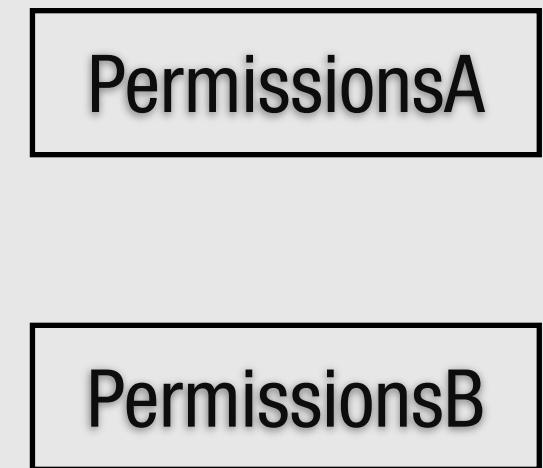
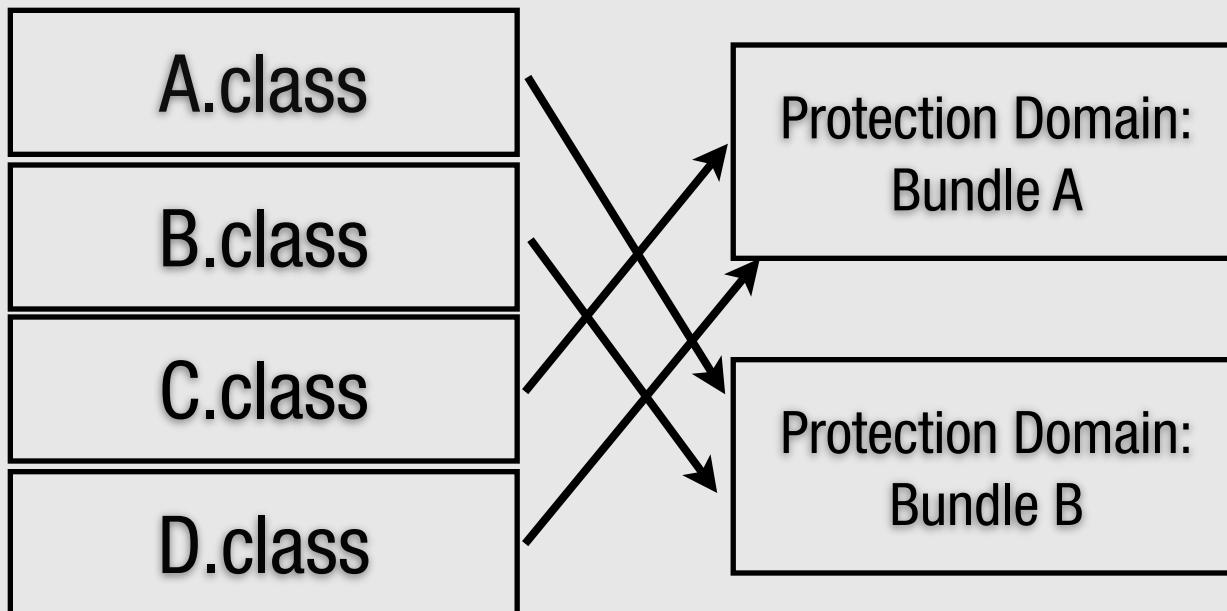
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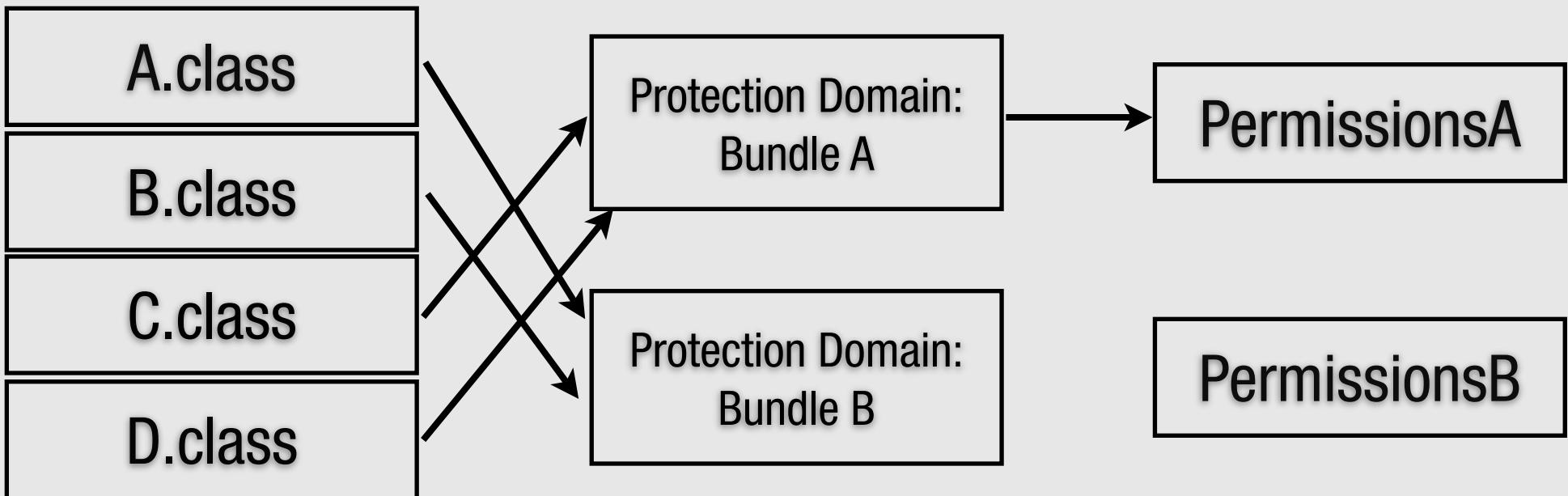


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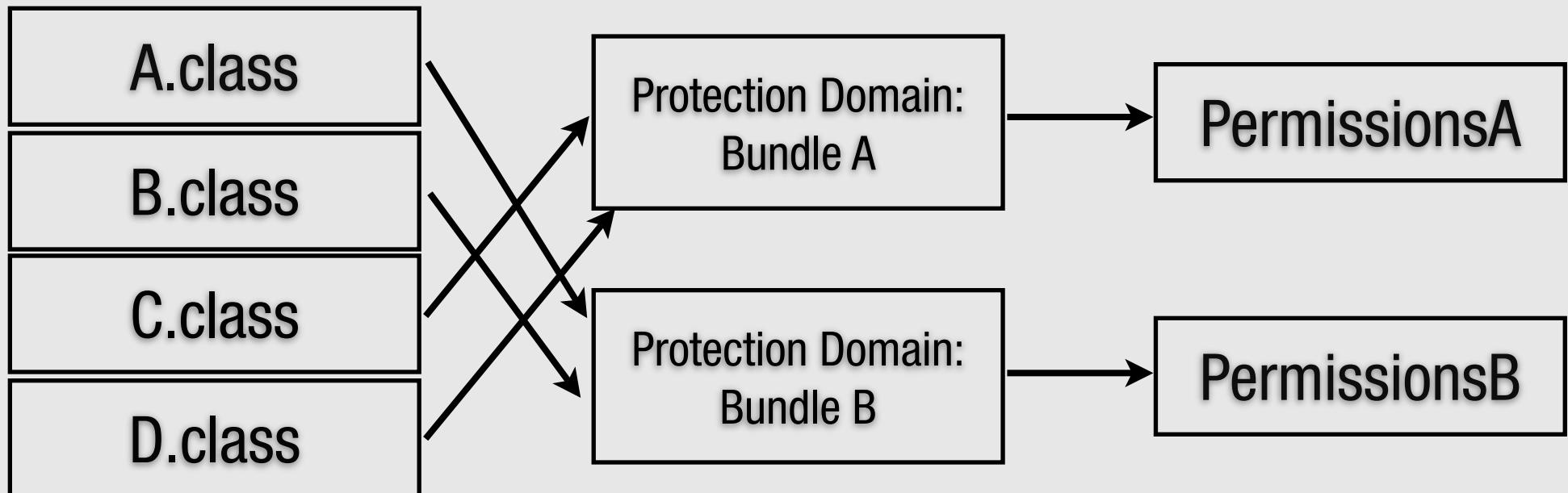


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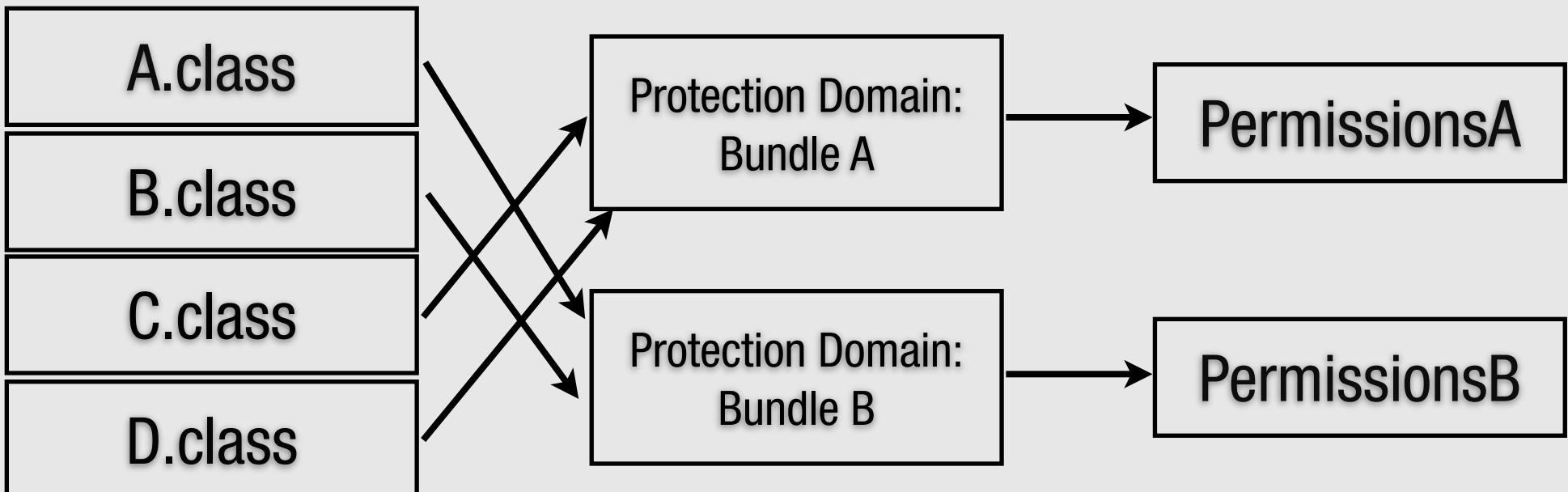


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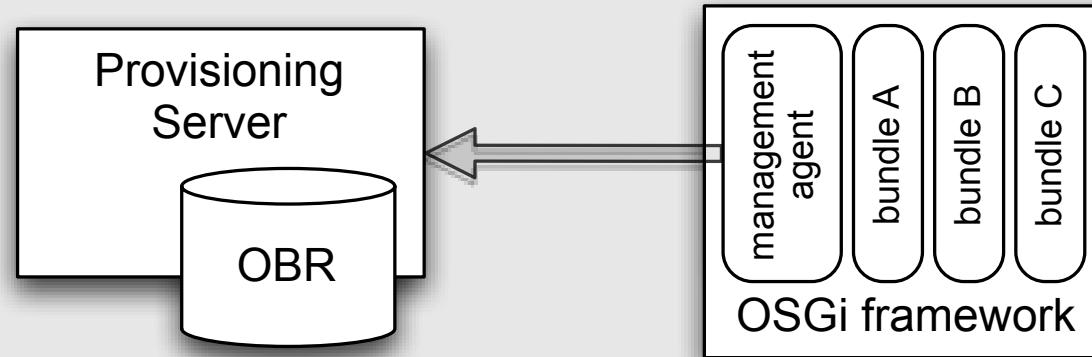
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Privileged Call

```
if (!(PermissionsA.implies(p) &&  
      PermissionsB.implies(p))  
{  
    throw new SecurityException();  
}
```

Deployment Topology



- Management Agent, responsible for:
 - life cycle management of the framework
 - security
 - Can use SynchronousBundleListener for on the fly configuration

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java -Djava.security.manager="" -Djava.security.policy=all.policy \
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-jar org.eclipse.equinox.launcher.jar -noExit
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java -Djava.security.manager -Djava.security.policy=all.policy  
-Dfelix.keystore=keystore.ks -Dfelix.keystore.pass=luminis -jar felix.jar
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Setting up your environment

- Memory stick contains VMware image and player
 - Linux account: jars/jars
- Alternatively memory stick contains separate project folder set-up for:
 - Java 5
 - Eclipse Classic 3.3.1.1
 - Ant 1.7

Environment

- Folder structure
 - offermans_pauls_security
 - Building_Secure_Applications.pdf
 - r4_core_book.pdf
 - build.xml - ant clean deploy -> bundles in deploy
 - bin - scripts to run OSGi frameworks with security enabled
 - clean_{equinox,felix}.sh
 - run_{equinox,felix}.sh
 - lib - contains equinox and felix specific resources
 - deploy - task and example bundles
 - workspace/project - contains the task stubs and examples

OSGi Environment

- The felix shell and obr is used
 - use help and obr help command to see commands
 - start bundles with obr start
- Examples and task bundles are created by package e.g.,
 - task1.Activator -> task1.jar = task1 in obr
 - example1.Activator -> example1.jar = example1 in obr
- invoke ant to rebuild, package, and make available via obr

Dry run

>ant

> sh bin/clean_equinox.sh

> sh bin/run_equinox.sh

-> obr start task1

> sh bin/clean_felix.sh

> sh bin/run_felix.sh

-> obr start task1

Task 1 - Running Secure

- Launch Felix & Equinox with security enabled
- Create a bundle (task1.Activator) that
 - Checks for a security manager;
 - Checks for AllPermissions.

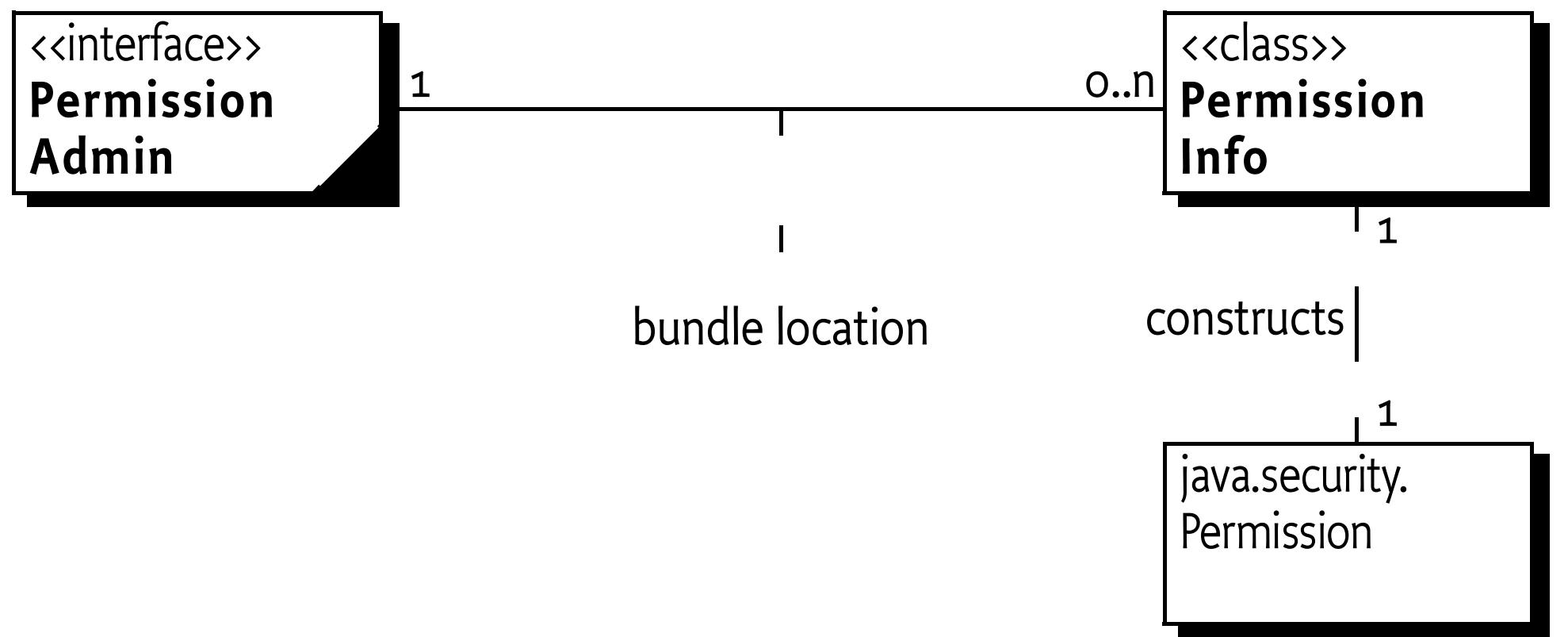
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Permission Admin (1/3)

- Old (pre 4.0) way of managing permissions
- Provides information about current permissions
- Allows a management agent to set permissions per bundle
- Permissions are based on bundle locations with a fallback to a set of default permissions

PermissionAdmin (2/3)



PermissionAdmin (3/3)

- Relative FilePermissions are assumed to be relative to the bundle storage area
- All permission changes need AllPermission
 - the first thing a management agent has to do is give itself AllPermission
- If ConditionalPermissionAdmin is present (as is the case in our environment) then default permissions are ignored unless the ConditionalPermissionAdmin has not been set-up with at least one entry

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```
new PermissionInfo(  
    AdminPermission.class.getName(), "(id=10)",  
    AdminPermission.EXECUTE);
```

Example

```
PermissionAdmin admin = getPermissionAdmin();

admin.setPermissions(
    context.getBundle().getLocation(),
    new PermissionInfo[]{
        new PermissionInfo(
            AllPermission.class.getName(), "", "")});

PermissionInfo[] previous = admin.getDefaultPermissions();

admin.setDefaultPermissions(new PermissionInfo[0]);

// unset
admin.setDefaultPermissions(previous);
```

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OSGi specific permissions

- OSGi specifications define special permissions for framework and service related tasks
- The core framework specification defines:
 - AdminPermission - for all framework specific actions
 - PackagePermission - for package import and export
 - ServicePermission - for service providing and usage
 - BundlePermission - for extensions/fragments
- Custom permissions can be used if they have been exported by a bundle or the classpath

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    new PackagePermission("net.luminis.pub.foo", PackagePermission.IMPORT));  
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new PackagePermission("net.luminis.pub.*", PackagePermission.IMPORT);  
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```

BundlePermission

- A bundle's authority to require/provide/attach a bundle/fragment
- Name is the bundle symbolic name
 - Wildcards may be used
- Four Actions: PROVIDE, REQUIRE, HOST, and FRAGMENT
 - PROVIDE implies REQUIRE

AdminPermission (1/3)

- A bundle's authority to perform specific privileged administrative operations or get sensitive informations about a bundle.
- Name is a filter expression. The filter gives access to the following parameters:
 - signer - A DN chain of bundle signers
 - location - The location of a bundle
 - id - The bundle ID of the bundle
 - name - The symbolic name of a bundle

AdminPermission (2/3)

- There are eleven Actions:
 - class - load a class from a bundle
 - execute - start/stop bundle and set bundle startlevel
 - extensionLifecycle - manage extension bundle
 - lifecycle - manage bundle (update/uninstall/etc.)
 - listener - add/remove synchronous bundle listeners
 - metadata - get manifest and location
 - resolve - refresh and resolve a bundle
 - resource - get/find resources from a bundle
 - startlevel - set startlevel and initial bundle startlevel
 - context - get bundle context

AdminPermission (3/3)

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context.installBundle("file:bundle.jar").start();
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    "(&(signer=o=luminis)(name=net.luminis.*)(location=file://*)(id>=10))",  
    AdminPermission.LIFECYCLE + "," + AdminPermission.EXECUTE);
```

Task 2 - Configure Security

- Create a bundle (task2.Activator) that using PermissionAdmin gives:
 - itself AllPermissions;
 - shell, shell.tui, and obr the permissions they need.
 - PackagePermission.IMPORT to all bundles for all packages in the default permissions
- Create a bundle (task2.test.Activator) that:
 - successfully creates a file in its storage area
 - tries to create a file outside its storage area
 - tries to access a service (PermissionAdmin)

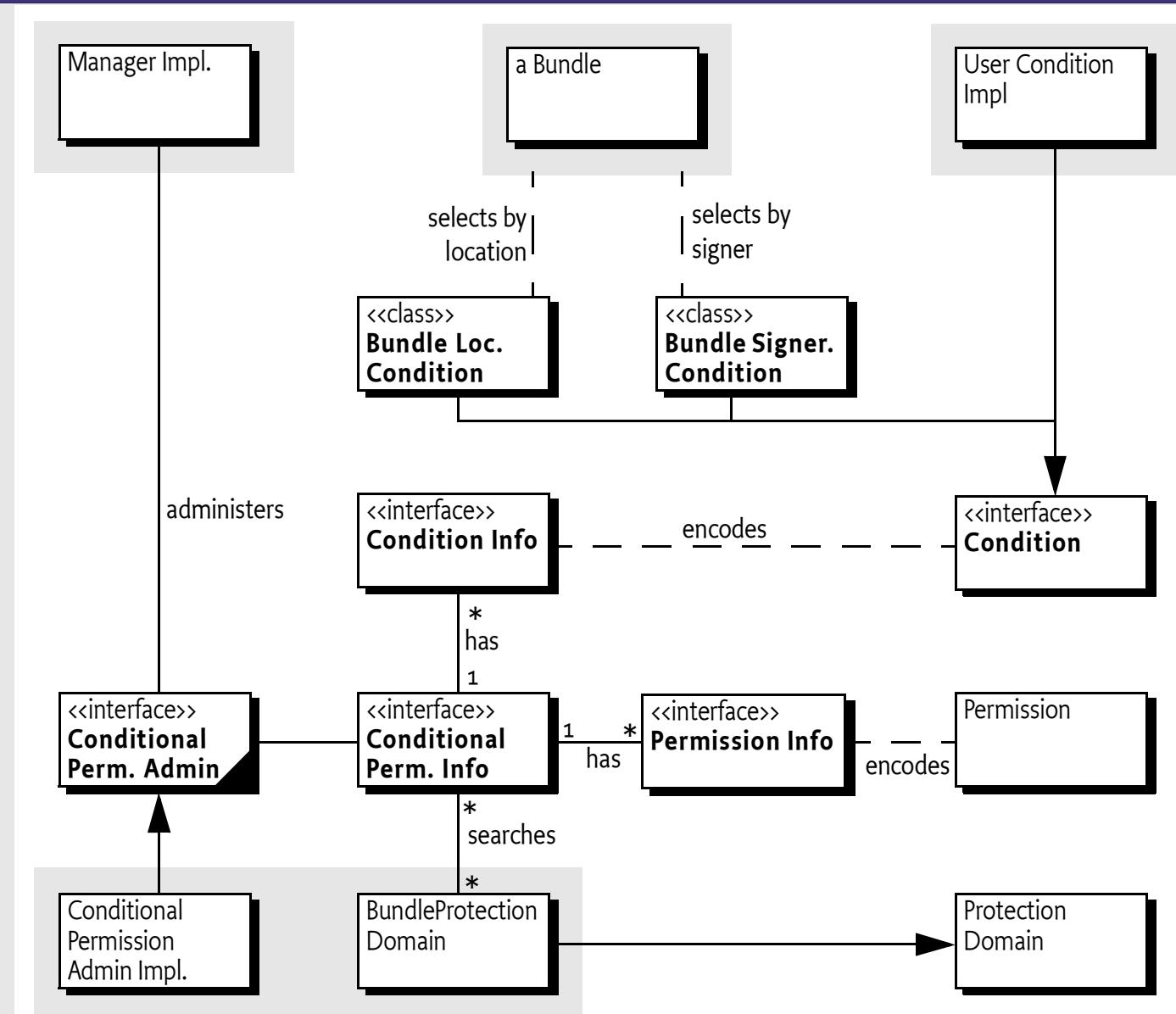
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Conditional Permission Admin

- New (4.0) way of doing permission management
 - use this exclusively for new implementations
 - interoperability when both PA and CPA are present
- IF all conditions of a set of conditions match THEN apply the supplied permissions
 - More flexible, extensible model
- Conditions evaluation is highly optimized

CondPermAdmin (1/4)



Conditions

- Purpose is to decide if a permission set is applicable or not.
- Can be postponed or immutable
 - allows optimized evaluations
- Custom conditions can be used for more advanced use-cases

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```
new ConditionInfo(BundleLocationCondition.class.getName(),  
    new String[] {context.getBundle().getLocation()});  
new ConditionInfo(BundleLocationCondition.class.getName(),  
    new String[] {"*://www.luminis.nl/*"});
```

Example

```
ConditionalPermissionAdmin condPermAdmin =  
getConditionalPermissionAdmin();  
  
condPermAdmin.addConditionalPermissionInfo(  
    new ConditionInfo[] {  
        new ConditionInfo(  
            BundleLocationCondition.class.getName(),  
            new String[]{"*://www.luminis.nl/*"})  
    },  
    new PermissionInfo[] {  
        new PermissionInfo(  
            AdminPermission.class.getName(),  
            "!(" + id + context.getBundle().getBundleId() + ")",  
            "*")  
    });
```

Task 3 - Use Conditions

- Create a bundle (task3.Activator) that using ConditionalPermissionAdmin and BundleLocationConditions gives:
 - itself AllPermission
 - shell, shell.tui, and obr the permissions they need.
 - PackagePermission.IMPORT to all bundles for all packages
- Reuse the second bundle of task two (task2.test.Activator) for testing

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cn=marrs,o=iQ,c=NL;cn=hans,o=luminis,c=NL

cn=marrs,o=iQ

***;cn=*,o=luminis**

cn=marrs;-;cn=*,o=luminis

Signing bundles in Eclipse



Signing bundles manually

```
jarsigner -keystore file:lib/keystore.ks \
    -storepass luminis bundle.jar luminis
```

```
<macrodef name="sign-bundle">
    <attribute name="name" />
    <attribute name="location" default="deploy/@{name}.jar" />
    <sequential>
        <exec executable="jarsigner">
            <arg line="-keystore file:lib/keystore.ks" />
            <arg line="-storepass luminis" />
            <arg line="@{location}" />
            <arg line="luminis" />
        </exec>
    </sequential>
</macrodef>
```

Certificates and Keystores

```
keytool -genkey -keystore keystore.ks -alias marrs -storepass luminis \
-keypass luminis -dname "CN=Marcel, OU=iQ, O=luminis, L=Arnhem, C=NL"
```

```
keytool -selfcert -keystore keystore.ks -alias marrs -storepass luminis \
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```

```
keytool -export -v -keystore keystore.ks -alias marrs -file luminis.cert \
-storepass luminis -keypass luminis
```

```
keytool -import -v -keystore keystore.ks -alias luminis -file luminis.cert \
-storepass luminis -keypass luminis
```

```
keytool -list -keystore keystore.ks -storepass luminis
```

marrs, Mar 13, 2008, keyEntry,
luminis, Mar 13, 2008, trustedCertEntry

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Local Permissions

- Defined in a resource inside the bundle
- Defines a set of permissions that are enforced by the framework
- A bundle can get less than these permissions, but never more
- Defaults to All Permissions
- Good way for operators to “audit” the permissions of a bundle

LocalPermissions

- OSGI-INF/permissions.perm

```
# Friday, Feb 24 2005
# ACME, chess game
( ..ServicePermission "..log.LogService" "GET" )
( ..PackagePermission "..log" "IMPORT" )
( ..ServicePermission "..cm.ManagedService" "REGISTER" )
( ..PackagePermission "..cm" "IMPORT" )
( ..ServicePermission "..useradmin.UserAdmin" "GET" )
( ..PackagePermission "..cm" "SET" )
( ..PackagePermission "com.acme.chess" "IMPORT,EXPORT" )
( ..PackagePermission "com.acme.score" "IMPORT" )
```

Tip: local permissions tracing with Apache Felix

```
import java.security.Permission;

public class SecMan extends SecurityManager {
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        System.out.println(perm);
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java -Djava.security.manager=SecMan -Djava.security.policy=all.policy \
-cp .:felix.jar org.apache.felix.main.Main

Task 4 - Signed bundles

- Create an (automatically) signed bundle (task4.Activator) that uses the ConditionalPermissionAdmin and a BundleSignerCondition to give itself and other bundles signed by o=luminis AllPermission
 - use BundleLocationConditions to give the needed permissions to shell, shell.tui, and obr.
- Create an (automatically) signed bundle (task4.test.Activator) that limits itself to certain local permissions (task4/test/permissions.perm)
 - Use the SecurityManager to test that you have the local permissions and that you don't have others

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```
class BeforeDateCondition implements Condition {  
    private final long m_date;  
  
    public static Condition getCondition(Bundle bundle,  
                                         ConditionInfo info) {  
        return new BeforeDateCondition(bundle, info);  
    }  
  
    public BeforeDateCondition(Bundle bundle,  
                               ConditionInfo info) {  
        m_date = Long.parseLong(info.getArgs()[0]);  
    }  
  
    public boolean isMutable() {  
        return m_date > System.currentTimeMillis();  
    }  
  
    public boolean isPostponed() {  
        return false;  
    }  
  
    public boolean isSatisfied() {  
        return System.currentTimeMillis() < m_date;  
    }  
  
    public boolean isSatisfied(Condition[] conditions,  
                              Dictionary context) {  
        return false;  
    }  
}
```

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Fragment-Host: system.bundle; extension:=framework

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Postponed Conditions

- Optimize condition evaluation on multiple evaluations during the same permission check
 - context map can be used to pass settings during evaluation
- Use if evaluation is expensive

```
public boolean isPostponed() {  
    return true;  
}
```

```
public boolean isSatisfied(Condition[] conditions, Dictionary context) {  
    // do evaluation for all conditions involved  
}
```

task 5 - Custom Postponed

- Create an extension bundle providing a custom postponed condition
(task5.extension.AskUserCondition)
 - Should open a swing dialog to ask the user
- Create a bundle (task5.Activator) that gives
 - itself AllPermission using a BundleSignerCondition;
 - shell, shell.tui, and obr needed permission as before;
 - and AllPermission if the AskUserCondition is satisfied
- Reuse bundle from task 1 to test the condition
- Use Felix (equinox is not supported for task5 :-)

Discussion

- We've showed:
 - how security is integrated into OSGi
 - the relation between Java 2 Security and OSGi
 - how to use both Permission Admin and Conditional Permission admin
 - how to use signed bundles, local permissions, and add custom permissions and conditions at runtime