

# **CALLING COBOL APPLICATIONS FROM DISTRIBUTED CLIENTS USING JAVA**

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## **ABSTRACT**

In the fast improving technological world, businesses still use Legacy applications as database management systems working on their mainframes and minicomputers. The reason could be influenced by a variety of factors other than functionality, such as economic reasons – the time of return on investment is too huge, vendor lock-in or the inherent challenges of change management. The need to modernize legacy applications could be achieved with one of the methodologies using JAVA direct connectivity to COBOL.

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