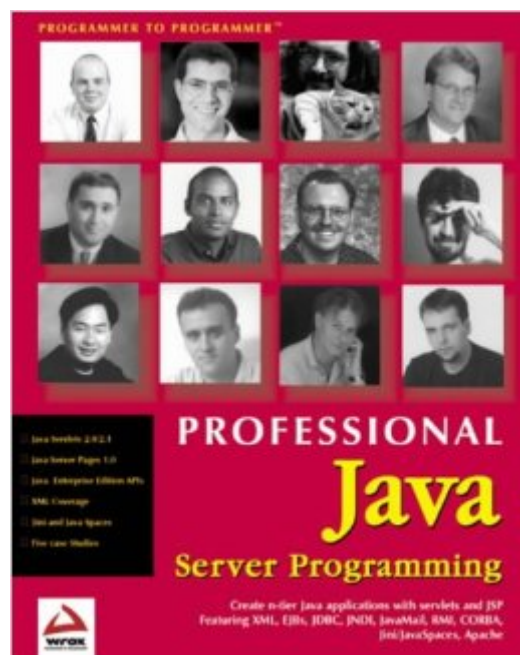


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# Professional Java Server Programming: With Servlets, JavaServer Pages (JSP), XML, Enterprise JavaBeans (EJB), JNDI, CORBA, Jini And Javaspaces



## Synopsis

An overview of the new server-side Java platform - Java 2 Enterprise Edition - as it relates to building n-tier web applications. It covers the building blocks (Servlets, JSP, EJB, JDBC, RMI, JNDI, CORBA) then goes into special design considerations for server side programming, (including resource pooling and component based design) before finally discussing future possibilities opened up by Jini and JavaSpaces technology. In a world where, increasingly, corporate IT development is Web application development - ASP, PHP, CGI and ISAPI are all viable options. Now, so is the Java 2 Platform Enterprise Edition, and that's good news because server-side Java is portable across Windows, Linux, UNIX and MacOS and compatible with a wide range of Web Servers (IIS, Apache, Netscape Enterprise Server) and Application Servers from Sun, IBM and others. What does all this mean for you? Java provides technologies to allow for server side processing, dynamic page content generation and dynamic presentation. With these comprehensive, platform independent Java class libraries you can join together the disparate pieces of your business - data, applications and platforms - to form a coherent whole. Java 2 Enterprise Edition - announced by Sun in June 1999 - makes Java an entire platform, not just another language and this is the first book that seriously covers it.

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## Customer Reviews

An excellent resource for conceptualizing internet development resources. Lot's of excellent

diagrams for visual learners. Lot's of examples for hands-on practice. The best thing I liked about this book is that it assumes you know nothing, but at the same time does not "dummy down" the material. Each chapter has a high-level overview of the topic including industry or historical information. Then there is more detail with an example and the example is broken down step by step. Although written by many people it flows quite well.

I am new to server side programming, and relatively new to Java. This book is packed with great information, even for me. Three chapters into the book I couldn't wait to get started, and I was already equipped with enough information to write basic server side programs. Some of the things that I found most valuable: Information on how to configure some of the more popular web servers to run Java Servlets; An explanation of HTTP; The pros and cons of CGI, JavaServer Pages, Active Server Pages, and Java Servlets; Detailed information about the Java Servlet API. It does not contain a lot of information about Java programming in general (syntax, general API info, etc., ) so if you are new to Java you will need a Java API book to supplement.

Pro:\*) Covers a lot of ground on up to date (01/2000) server side tech, Servlets, JSP, RMI, XML, EJB, JINI, CORBA, JNDI, LDAP, JDBC, Mime, cookies, Internationalization.\*) Lots of hands-on details with many examples.\*) Very fluent and usually clear.Con:\*) Very little on theory, concepts, server architecture using these technologies or trends, goes straight to the details.\*) Many exercises don't work without some hacking (they could still fix it, the code is on their site).\*) So much is about Java Servlets you would think Sun published it.\*) Not all the chapters are in the same level, you can feel many people wrote the book.

I bought this book for one reason only: the chapter on JSP Programming. Unlike the light examples mostly available on the web, the chapter explores a lot of the features of JSP, including declaratives, error pages, java beans (very important), connecting to databases, a summary of the implicit objects available to the environment, and more. The author took the time to understand the underlying architecture and explain it. I found it to be tremendously helpful. Mark

This book is outstanding! It covers the new features of JSDK2.1 wonderfully. It introduces JSP and other J2EE features. I recommend this book to all current Java Server programmers and to all who want to learn about Java Server Programming. The depth is wonderful and the examples are very good. The only knock is that it is expensive and you don't get a CD. However, there is a web site to

download the source code, nice touch Wrox Press! Even though the book is expensive it is well worth the money! Knowing what I know now, I still would buy it again. But this time I would buy it through so I get a discount. :-) Note, I paid full price and still think I got a great deal.

I originally bought this book for its information on Javasever Pages, but this book contains much much more. It covered areas like Database connections and connection pooling, EJBs, etc. that normally you need seperate books for each topic. The examples are small (a good thing) and clearly demonstrate the topics presented. If you want to do javasever programming, this is the book!

Everything you need to get started with server-side Java programming is in this book. It starts off with several chapters covering Servlets, then a solid chapter on JSP, followed by coverage of JDBC, and a chapter on database connection pools. This would have been enough for a complete book, but it doesn't stop there. There is also good coverage of XML, RMI, JNDI, EJB, and more. To me, this book is an essential reference for anyone doing server-side Java programming. It has been an invaluable resource on my current programming project. I continually recommend it to my co-workers. The book has a good balance of example code and explanations, and the authors generally have very good writing styles which make the technical material relatively easy to understand. However, at times you can tell that the book has many authors because not all of the chapters are of the same quality. In particular, I thought chapters 5 and 6 were not as well written as most of the others. One minor criticism of the book is that even though it is over 1,000 pages it is printed in a rather small font which made it a little hard to read. I would have preferred that one or two of the less important chapters be excluded so that a normal font size could have been used. This book is also a great value for the price. Many technical books don't cover half as much material for the same price. I highly recommend it.

I had never seen this book before but I decided to buy it since there are a lot of good comments on it. However, once I got the book, I immediately realized that I had made a big mistake. This book is full of the information that you can find anywhere on the Internet for free. So why do you have to pay for it? Reading this book gives me the feeling of reading a thousand-page magazine. The publisher puts into the book so many topics that you don't find anything comprehensible enough for a practical use. If you want to program servlets, go for Java Servlet Programming from O'Reilly. If you want to program JSP pages, download the JSP spec from [java.sun.com](http://java.sun.com). If you want to do something else,

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