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Preface

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Related Documents

For more information, see the following related documents:

- Oracle Fusion Middleware Understanding Oracle Application Development Framework
- Developing Applications with Oracle JDeveloper
- Oracle Fusion Middleware Developing Fusion Web Applications with Oracle Application Development Framework
- Oracle Fusion Middleware Developing Web User Interfaces with Oracle ADF Faces
- Oracle Fusion Middleware Administering Oracle ADF Applications
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- Oracle JDeveloper online help

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Convention	Meaning
boldface	Boldface type indicates graphical user interface elements associated with an action, or terms defined in text or the glossary.
italic	Italic type indicates book titles, emphasis, or placeholder variables for which you supply particular values.
monospace	Monospace type indicates commands within a paragraph, URLs, code in examples, text that appears on the screen, or text that you enter.

1

Overview of Oracle ADF Mobile Browser

This chapter provides an overview of Oracle Application Development Framework Mobile (ADF Mobile) browser.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Section 1.1, "About ADF Mobile Browser"
- Section 1.2, "Supported Mobile Browser Features"

1.1 About ADF Mobile Browser

Oracle Application Development Framework Mobile (ADF Mobile) browser enables you to create browser-based, enterprise mobile applications that adapt to the requirements of the mobile browsers used on different types of smartphones and feature phones. Using ADF Mobile's standards-based framework, you can, for example, create web applications that enable users to approve expense reports, or search corporate contact information using a smartphone. Because ADF Mobile browser provides automatic detection and delivery of content based on both the form factor of the mobile phone itself and the capabilities of its mobile browser, you need only build the applications are compatible with many mobile browsers, you do not have to focus on the limitations of any particular mobile browser.

Note: To learn more about ADF Mobile browser and Oracle's mobile strategy, see the Oracle ADF Mobile browser page on Oracle Technology Network (http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/index.html).

The ADF Mobile browser renderer ensures that contents can be consumed correctly by the target browser. It not only handles variations in browser-specific implementations of HTML, JavaScript, CSS (Cascading Style Sheets), DOM (Document Object Model), and the XMLHttpRequest (XHR) API, but variations in system performance as well. If, for example, a browser does not support the XMLHttpRequest interface and is incapable of posting a partial-page request to a server, ADF Mobile browser enables the application to revert automatically to a full-page submit so that the page functions properly.

1.1.1 How ADF Mobile Browser Improves Application Performance

The ADF Mobile browser renderer is optimized to improve performance by minimizing the payload of the web page that is sent over the wireless network to the mobile phone. In mobile environments with high-latency and low-bandwidth wireless networks, Partial Page Rendering (PPR) is essential in providing an optimal end user experience. For mobile browsers that support AJAX (Asynchronous JavaScript and XML), ADF Mobile browser supports PPR for certain components, which minimizes the amount of data requested from the server and improves application responsiveness. See also Section 3.1.2, "Partial Page Rendering."

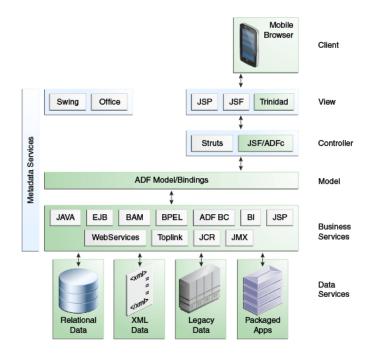
Note: Although ADF Mobile leverages AJAX features in smartphone browsers, it also degrades gracefully to support plain HTML browsers.

1.1.2 About Java Server Faces and the Application Development Framework

Java Server Faces (JSF) is a standard specified by JSR-127 that enables you to create applications using pre-built components that define functionality and behavior. As illustrated in Figure 1–1, JSF provides a Model-View-Controller (MVC) mechanism that simplifies the development of web applications. Its renderkit converts components both to, and from, a specific markup language. The kit's renderers generate markup that represents components and how they interpret browser requests.

JSF development focuses on components, not markup. Using JSF, you create a JSP page containing JSF component tags. When a user visits this page (through the FacesServlet), JSF uses the renderkit specified by the user's device to encode the markup to the appropriate output. For example, if the user's device specifies HTML for a desktop browser, then the renderkit's markup encoding results in an HTML page. In addition to rendering appropriate content, JSF supports user interaction.





Application Development Framework (ADF) is built on the standard JSF technology and provides the following:

• A large component set (because JSF provides only basic components).

- Renderers that support these components in HTML browsers, including a rich renderkit for applications using AJAX technologies.
- Converters, validators, and events.

1.1.3 Developing Mobile Applications Using ADF Mobile Browser

Because ADF Mobile browser is built upon the component model of Java Server Faces (JSF), you can quickly develop applications for mobile browsers. Its mobile-specific extensions to JSF enable you to develop mobile applications using the same methodologies for developing JSF applications for the desktop (or tablet), as described in *Oracle Fusion Middleware Developing Web User Interfaces with Oracle ADF Faces*.

Note: ADF Mobile browser applications are intended to run on the mobile browsers used by smartphones or feature phones. They are not intended to run on desktop browsers.

ADF Mobile browser application development is almost identical to ADF web application development, except that you construct the application's JSF pages from Apache MyFaces Trinidad components¹. ADF Mobile provides a rich component set by supporting more than 60 Apache MyFaces Trinidad components.

Note: You cannot use ADF Faces Rich Client components to develop an ADF Mobile browser application. You must use Apache MyFaces Trinidad components.

The mobile-optimized style sheets that are automatically included in the ADF Mobile browser project ensure that each of the components render appropriately to the device's browser. You can extend a desktop browser application to run on a smartphone or feature phone by reusing its model and controller layers and assembling a new view layer using the Apache MyFaces Trinidad counterparts to the ADF Faces components. For more information, see Section 2.2, "Configuring the ADF Mobile Browser Development Environment" and Section 4.2, "Implementing ADF Mobile Browser Skinning."

Note: You can use ADF Faces components to create applications that run in the browsers of recently released smartphones. For browser-based applications that are targeted to older devices and feature phones, use ADF Mobile browser. This guide describes how to build JavaServer pages with Apache Trinidad components. For information on ADF Faces components, see *Oracle Fusion Middleware Developing Web User Interfaces with Oracle ADF Faces*. For information about supported mobile browsers, see "Certification Information" at http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/developer-tools/jdev/docum entation/index.html.

¹ The Apache MyFaces Trinidad component set is the first-generation set of ADF Faces components that were donated to the Apache Software Foundation.

1.2 Supported Mobile Browser Features

ADF Mobile supports different types of touch-screen user interfaces, such as those used on Android- and iOS-powered smartphones. For the latter, ADF Mobile's support of Apple standards provides a native iOS user experience. Table 1–1 lists the mobile browsers and features that ADF Mobile supports.

Note: ADF Mobile browser requires HTML and JavaScript support. See Chapter 5, "Supporting Basic HTML Mobile Browsers."

Table 1 1 Supported Drowsers and Supported mobile reduces			
Browser	JavaScript Support	CSS Support	PPR Support
Android Webkit	Yes	Yes	Yes
Apple iPhone Safari	Yes	Yes	Yes
Blackberry versions 4.2 through 4.5	No	Yes	No
BlackBerry version 4.6 and later	Yes	Yes	Yes
Microsoft Windows Mobile 5	Yes	Yes	Yes (with nuances)
Microsoft Windows Mobile 6	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nokia s60 series	Yes	Yes	No
Plain HTML (such as Opera Mini, Opera Mobile and Skyfire)	No	Yes	No

Table 1–1 Supported Browsers and Supported Mobile Features

Configuring the ADF Mobile Browser Environment

This chapter describes how to configure the ADF Mobile browser development environment, how to create ADF Mobile browser views, and how to build and test applications.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Section 2.1, "About ADF Mobile Browser Application Development"
- Section 2.2, "Configuring the ADF Mobile Browser Development Environment"
- Section 2.3, "Developing an ADF Mobile Browser Application"
- Section 2.4, "Testing an ADF Mobile Browser Application"

2.1 About ADF Mobile Browser Application Development

An ADF Mobile browser application is an ADF Faces application that is optimized for mobile devices. As such, a mobile browser application can use the model project created for a standard ADF Faces application. Alternatively, you can add the ADF Mobile browser view controller project to an existing ADF faces application. After you create the ADF Mobile browser view controller project, you can construct the mobile browser application from JSF pages built from Apache MyFaces Trinidad components.

To create an ADF Mobile browser application:

• Configure the environment by creating an application and model project.

Tip: You can use the business logic components from an existing ADF application.

- Add an ADF Mobile browser view controller project.
- Create an ADF task flow or ADF page flow.

Note: ADF task flows used in ADF Mobile browser applications only support whole pages. They do not support page fragments, pop-ups in dialogs, or regions. ADF Mobile browser applications that use the ADF page flow only support the trinidad-simple skin family.

- Add the JSF pages populated with Apache MyFaces Trinidad components.
- Optimize the page layout with ADF Mobile browser skinning.

• Test the application on a smartphone or smartphone simulator.

2.2 Configuring the ADF Mobile Browser Development Environment

ADF Mobile browser application development requires a mobile-optimized view controller project.

2.2.1 How to Create a Mobile Application and Project

To configure the environment, first create an ADF Mobile browser application that includes a project with the ADF Mobile browser technology. Note that the project must include the Apache MyFaces Trinidad components that you add explicitly to the project by selecting **Trinidad** from the list of available technologies presented in the Create Custom Project wizard.

Before you begin:

If needed, create an ADF model project. Otherwise, the ADF Mobile browser application can share a model project with an existing ADF application.

To create the ADF Mobile browser application and the ADF Mobile browser project:

1. Choose File, then New, and then Application.

New Gallery	×
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Categories:	Items: Show All Descriptions
📮 General	🔁 Java Desktop Application
Ant	
Applications	🔁 ADF Fusion Web Application
Connections	Creates a databound ADF web application. The application consists of one project for
Deployment Descriptors	the view and controller components (ADF Faces and ADF Task Flows), and another project for the data model (ADF Business Components).
Deployment Profiles Diagrams	_
Diagrams	🔁 ADF Java Desktop Application
Maven	Application from EAR File
Projects	
UML	C Application Template
XML	🔁 Custom Application
Business Tier	
ADF Business Components	🔁 Database Application
Contexts and Dependency Injectic	🔁 Extension Application
Data Controls	
ЕЈВ	🔁 Java EE Web Application
Security	🔁 UML Application
TopLink/JPA	
Web Services	
Client Tier	
Help	OK Cancel

Figure 2–1 The New Gallery

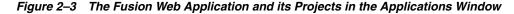
- **2.** In the New Gallery, select **Applications** and then choose **ADF Fusion Web Application**. Click **OK**.
- **3.** In the Name your application page of the Create ADF Fusion Web Application wizard, enter a name and, if needed, a location for the application in the Directory field, as shown in Figure 2–2.

O Create ADF Fusion W	eb Application - Step 1 of 6	
Name your applicatio	n 0101010	
Application Name	Application Name: adfm	
Project 1 Name Project 1 Java Settings	Directory: [C:\JDeveloper\mywork\adfm	Browse
Project 2 Name Project 2 Java Settings	Application Backage Prefix:	D[nwse
O Build Tool		
Help	< <u>B</u> ack Next >	Einish Cancel

Figure 2–2 Naming the ADF Mobile Browser Application

4. Click Finish.

Selecting **ADF Fusion Web Application** creates the model project used by the mobile view project. Figure 2–3 shows the application's model and its generated view controller projects that appear in the Applications window.



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Note: Do not use the generated view controller project to design the business logic in the model project. Instead, create a mobile view controller project as described in the following steps.

- **5.** Create the mobile view controller project as follows:
 - a. Choose File, then New, and then Project.
 - **b.** Select **Custom Project** and then click **OK**.
 - **c.** In the Create Custom Project wizard, complete the wizard by first entering a name for the project, as shown in Figure 2–4. For example, enter *mvc* (a short name for mobile view controller).

Tip: To create a short URL string that is more easily accommodated by the browsers on mobile devices, use lower-case characters and short names for ADF Mobile browser projects and their .jspx pages. See also Section 2.4, "Testing an ADF Mobile Browser Application."

d. Select the ADF Mobile browser feature for the project by moving **ADF Mobile Browser** from the **Available** list to the **Selected** list.

Figure 2–4 Selecting the ADF Mobile Browser Technology for an ADF Mobile Browser Project

👩 Create Custom Proje	ct - Step 1 of 1	X
Name your project	01	
Roject Name	Project Name: mvc Directory: C:\JDeveloper\mywork\adfm\mvc Project Features Generated Components Associated Libraries Available: Selected: ADF Business Component Modeling Selected: ADF Business Components ADF Desktop Integration ADF Faces ADF Model ADF Model ADF Swing Ant ADF Mobile Browser Feature Description: ADF Mobile Browser supports the development of JavaServer Faces (JSF) pag are optimized for rendering on mobile device browsers.	Browse
Help	< Back Next > Einish	Cancel

Figure 2–4 shows the ADF Mobile Browser feature in the **Available** window. After you move the **ADF Mobile Browser** feature to the **Selected** window, the Java, JSF (JavaServer Faces), JSP and Servlets, and XML technologies are made available to the project and also appear in the **Selected** window, as shown in Figure 2–5.

Figure 2–5 ADF Mobile Browser and Supporting Features Selected for an ADF Mobile Browser Project

👩 Create Custom Proje	ct - Step 1 of 2	X
Name your project	01	
Project Name Project Java Settings	Project Name: mvc Dirgctory: C:\JDeveloper\mywork\adfm\mvc Project Features Generated Components Associated Libraries Available: Selected: ADF Business Component Modeling Java ADF Desktop Integration Java ADF Model JsP and Servlets XML XML ADF Model Business Editor ADF Swing Ant CDI ADF Mobile Browser Feature Description: ADF Mobile Browser Feature Description: ADF Mobile Browser supports the development of JavaServer Faces (JSF) pare optimized for rendering on mobile device browsers.	Browse
Help	< Back Next > Finish	Cancel

e. Select the Apache MyFaces Trinidad components for the project by moving **Trinidad** from the **Available** list, as shown in Figure 2–6, to the **Selected** list.

Figure 2–6 Adding Apache MyFaces Trinidad Components to the ADF Mobile Browser Project

👩 Create Custom Project -	Step 1 of 2		×
Name your project			
Project Name Project Java Settings	Project Name: Dir <u>e</u> ctory:		Developer\mywork\adfm\mvc Bro <u>w</u> se
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Help			< Back Next > Einish Cancel

f. If the application uses an ADF task flow, add the **ADF Page Flow** feature to the **Selected** window. As shown in Figure 2–7, the ADF Page Flow feature adds other technologies, including ADF Faces and ADF Page Flow.

👩 Create Custom Proje	ct - Step 1 of 2	X
Name your project	01010101010101010101010	
Project Name Project Java Settings	Project Name: mvc Directory: C:\JDeveloper\mywork\adfm\mvc Project Features Generated Components Associated Libraries Available: Associated Libraries Selected: ADF Business Component Modeling ADF Faces ADF Power ADF Desktop Integration ADF Page Flow Java ADF Model JavaServer Faces (JSF) JSP and Servlets Ant CDI Database Modeling Trinidad XML Ant Feature Description: Apache Ant is an XML-based build utility. Ant is similar in functionality to Make, to supports cross-platform builds and is easily extensible.	Browse
Help	<back next=""> Einish</back>	Cancel

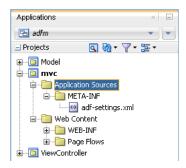
Figure 2–7 Adding ADF Page Flow Feature to the ADF Mobile Browser Project

6. Click **Next** to navigate through the Configure Java settings page and then click **Finish**.

2.2.2 What Happens When You Create a Mobile Application and Project

As shown in Figure 2–8, the mobile view controller project (*mvc*) appears in the Applications window within the Fusion web application (*adfm*).

Figure 2–8 The Mobile ADF Mobile Browser View Controller Project in the Applications Window



The creation of the view controller project also results in the creation of the mobile application's page-flow definition file, faces-config.xml. For information on creating a page flow, see "Defining Page Flows" in *Oracle Fusion Middleware Developing Web User Interfaces with Oracle ADF Faces*.

Adding the ADF Mobile Browser and ADF Page Flow technologies to the ADF Mobile custom view project results in the creation of the following ADF skin-related configuration files and style sheets, which ensure that the components render appropriately to the target mobile browser. Table 2–1 describes these files, which are located in the ADF Mobile browser view controller project's Web Content folder.

Skinning File	Location	Description
mobile.css	Styles node of the mobile view controller project	Used for basic HTML browsers and browsers used in older versions of smartphones. See also Section 4.2, "Implementing ADF Mobile Browser Skinning."
richmobile.css	Styles node of the mobile view controller project	Used for smartphones, such as those powered by iOS or BlackBerry. See also Section 4.2, "Implementing ADF Mobile Browser Skinning."

 Table 2–1
 Skinning-Related Artifacts

2.3 Developing an ADF Mobile Browser Application

For mobile browser applications, you develop an application by creating web pages within the web project. Typically, you create a web project within the application to implement a user interface and the ADF Business Components, or an Oracle EclipseLink project, to implement a business layer.

2.3.1 How to Develop a Mobile JSF Page

You develop ADF Mobile browser application pages by first creating a JSF page and then by populating it with the Apache My Faces Trinidad components. Typically, you first create the navigation rules using the faces-config.xml file before creating the JSF page for the mobile application.

To create a mobile JSF page:

- 1. Select the mobile view controller project in the Applications window, then select **New** and then **Page**.
- Enter a name for the JSF page in the Create JSF Page dialog, as shown in Figure 2–9. If needed, enter a directory location for the page. You can select either Facelets or JSP XML.

Figure 2–9 The Create JSF Page Dialog

nter the name a	nd directory, and choose a type for the JSF Page. It can be implemented as a Facelets or JSP XML document	3
jle Name:	page1.jsf	
irectory:	C:\JDeveloper\mywork\adfm\mvc\public_html	 0
ocument Type:	Fagelets JSP XML	
Page Layout	Managed Bean	
	Reference an ADF Page Template to inherit page content from a shared template (changes to the template are reflected in all referencing pages), or copy the components from a Quick Start Layout into your fragment to get started with your own layout.	

Figure 2–10 shows the designer for a mobile JSF page called *page1.jsf*.

3. From the Components window, select **Trinidad**, as shown in Figure 2–10, and then create the page using the Apache MyFaces Trinidad components. To optimize the display of these components, refer to the styles and patterns described in Chapter 4, "Skinning ADF Mobile Browser Applications." Figure 2–10 illustrates applying the af_m_toolbar style class to the tr:panelHeader component, which renders the page header as a toolbar-like element on smartphones.

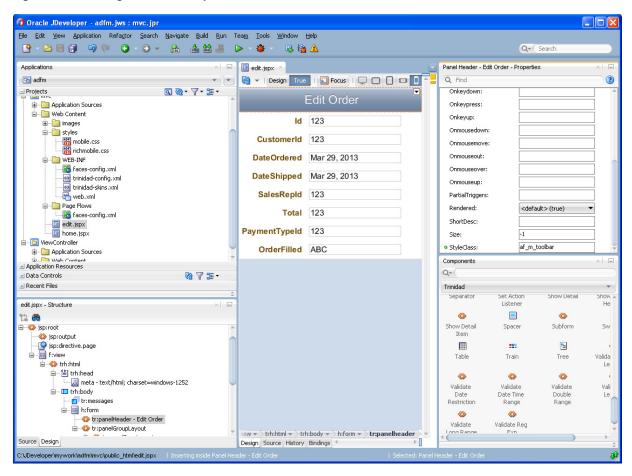


Figure 2–10 Using Trinidad Components

2.4 Testing an ADF Mobile Browser Application

You can test an ADF Mobile browser application on a smartphone, a smartphone simulator, or a desktop browser. Testing on an actual smartphone or simulator provides more accurate results than does testing on a desktop browser.

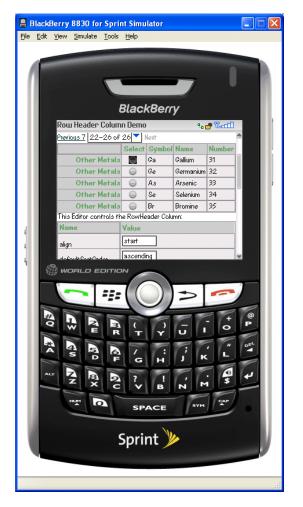
Testing an ADF Mobile browser application with a desktop browser produces only approximate results because it provides a fairly uniform testing environment; in desktop browsers, web pages appear and behave similarly and business logic executes identically. Testing an application on an actual smartphone, however, produces more accurate results, because the capabilities of mobile browsers may cause controls to behave differently than they do on a desktop browser. Mobile browsers, which are usually smaller than desktop browsers, render pages differently because web servers optimize the look and feel by generating mobile browser-specific pages.

Testing ADF Mobile browser applications directly on smartphones has limitations as well, in that you may not have access to all of the devices that you must test. Furthermore, firewalls can complicate testing, as many mobile devices can access only the internet and cannot reach development environments behind firewalls. In such cases, smartphone simulators provide an alternative testing method. For example, to test applications on BlackBerry smartphone simulators or Windows Mobile device emulators (shown in Figure 2–11 and Figure 2–13, respectively), download smartphone simulators from the RIM developer site (http://us.blackberry.com) and device emulators from the Microsoft developer site (http://www.microsoft.com). You must then configure them and connect them to the web server. For information on

downloading and configuring simulators and emulators for ADF Mobile browser, refer to *Running Mobile Device Simulators with ADF Mobile and JDeveloper*, available through the *Mobile Application Development with Oracle ADF Mobile* page of the Oracle Technology Network. You can access this page by selecting **Oracle ADF Mobile** from the Oracle Technology Network's Oracle Application Development Framework overview page

(http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/developer-tools/adf/overview/index.html)

Figure 2–11 Testing an ADF Mobile Browser Application on a BlackBerry Smartphone Simulator



2.4.1 How to Test ADF Mobile Browser Applications on Simulators

After you test an application on a desktop browser, you can then test it on a simulator. You can use the URL displayed in the desktop browser, but if it uses the localhost IP address (127.0.0.1), you must change it to the network IP address of your computer.

Tip: To obtain the network IP address, use the ipconfig command interface on Windows systems and the ifconfig command on Linux/UNIX systems.

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Figure 2–12 Testing an ADF Mobile Browser Application on a Desktop Browser

For example, to test an application using a Windows Mobile 6 emulator, change the address from the desktop's localhost IP address (*127.0.0.1*, shown in Figure 2–12) to that of the computer's network IP address (*192.0.2.253*, shown in Figure 2–13).

Figure 2–13 Testing an ADF Mobile Browser Application on a Windows Mobile Device Emulator

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In addition, you must remove the session specification that follows the page name. The page name is typically appended with either .jspx or .jsp. In Figure 2–12, the page name, *home*, is appended with .jspx.

In general, you debug an application by repeating cycles of code and then by testing the application. When you test an application that has been modified, you must do one or both of the following:

- Refresh the page.
- Clear the browser's cache.

Tip: Because the URL does not change if you develop the same application, you are not required to enter it again.

2.4.2 What You May Need to Know About Browser Settings

Viewing ADF Mobile browser applications properly requires adjustments to the browser settings for Windows Mobile and BlackBerry browsers.

Microsoft Windows Mobile 5 and 6, Microsoft Pocket Internet Explorer

For optimal viewing, select the *Fit to Screen* view (accessed by selecting **Menu**, **View** and then **Fit to Screen**).

Note: Selecting the *One Column* view option results in layout problems. Do not select this option.

BlackBerry Browser 4.n

ADF Mobile browser only works if JavaScript support is enabled. To ensure that JavaScript support is enabled:

- 1. Select **Options** and then **Browser Configuration**.
- **2.** Ensure that the following tables are selected:
 - Support JavaScript
 - Allow JavaScript Popup
 - Support HTML Tables

Component Support

This chapter describes the Apache MyFaces Trinidad components that are supported by ADF Mobile browser.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Section 3.1, "About Apache My Faces Trinidad Components"
- Section 3.2, "Input Components"
- Section 3.3, "Output Components"
- Section 3.4, "Layout Components"
- Section 3.5, "Navigation Components"
- Section 3.6, "Data Visualization (Graphs and Gauges)"
- Section 3.7, "Tables and Trees"
- Section 3.8, "Generating HTML <meta> Tags"
- Section 3.9, "Unsupported Components and Attributes"

3.1 About Apache My Faces Trinidad Components

ADF Mobile browser supports more than 60 of the Apache MyFaces Trinidad components, enabling you to build applications with a rich component set that renders appropriately to the screens of mobile devices. For more information, refer to the Apache MyFaces Trinidad site (http://myfaces.apache.org/trinidad/).

3.1.1 Supported Features

ADF Mobile browser supports the following renderer-specific features:

- Partial Page Rendering
- Dialogs

3.1.2 Partial Page Rendering

The high-latency and low-bandwidth of networks in mobile environments decrease application responsiveness for mobile users. Screens refresh slowly, diminishing the mobile user experience. ADF Mobile browser's support of Partial Page Rendering (PPR) compensates for the negative impact that slow connections have on screen updates by minimizing the amount of data requested from the server; using PPR, mobile device screen updates do not require a full refresh. Browsers that do not support AJAX (Asynchronous JavaScript and XML) use full-page rendering instead of PPR. For example, a page submission on basic HTML browsers (which do not support JavaScript) results in the refresh of a full page.

Note: Browsers for BlackBerry 4.5 (and earlier versions) do not support PPR. Specifying the autosubmit attribute on certain form-related components results in the submission of the page after the user exits the field. A full, not partial, refresh of the page then follows.

3.1.3 Dialogs

ADF Mobile browser supports dialogs, pages used by applications to obtain user input. Because mobile browsers cannot open a new window that contains a dialog (a pop-up window), they present dialogs as new pages within the main browser window after they automatically preserve the state of the current page.

3.1.4 Rendering Specific to the BlackBerry Browser 4.5 and Earlier Versions

On browsers for BlackBerry 4.5 and earlier versions, the bullets in a list sublevel (such as those in a tr:panelList component) appear large and are not indented. BlackBerry's table handling may affect complex layouts, as its browser does not allow horizontal scrolling. Instead, it wraps a table row onto multiple display lines which may disturb the layout. For more information, see Chapter 6, "Design Guidelines for BlackBerry 4.2 to 4.5."

3.2 Input Components

ADF Mobile browser supports input text fields and lists, core components that support user input.

3.2.1 Creating Input Text Fields

You can create input fields using the following components:

tr:inputColor

Note: Mobile browsers do not support an inline chooseColor or a color dialog for the tr:inputColor component.

- tr:inputDate
- tr:inputHidden
- tr:inputText

Note: Basic HTML browsers do not support the autosubmit attribute of the tr:inputText component.

Note: Trinidad optimizes the tr:inputText component for narrow-screen devices (that is, devices with screen width measuring less than 240 pixels). For more information see Chapter 7, "Narrow Screen Support and User Agent Details Support."

3.2.2 Creating Lists

You can create lists using the following components:

- tr:panelChoice
- tr:panelList
- tr:selectBooleanCheckBox
- tr:selectBooleanRadio
- tr:selectItem

Note: Mobile browsers do not support the disabled attribute for the tr:selectItem component.

- tr:selectManyCheckBox
- tr:selectManyListBox
- tr:selectOneChoice
- tr:selectOneListBox
- tr:selectOneRadio
- tr:resetButton

Note: Basic HTML browsers do not support the autosubmit attribute for the tr:resetButton component.

3.3 Output Components

ADF Mobile browser uses the Apache MyFacesTrinidad core components that support output on mobile device applications. These components include those for displaying text and images and also components for displaying, or hiding, text.

3.3.1 Displaying Text

The following components enable you to display text:

- tr:iterator
- tr:message
- tr:messages

Note: Component-specific messages do not display on a mobile browser in the same manner as they do in a desktop browser. Instead, they display in the region where the message component (tr:message or tr:messages) is placed on the web page.

- tr:outputDocument
- tr:outputForwarded
- tr:outputLabel
- tr:outputText

3.3.2 Displaying Images

The following components enable you to display images:

- tr:icon
- tr:image
- tr:panelTip

3.3.3 Showing (or Hiding) Components

The following components enable showing or hiding items:

tr:panelAccordion

Note: Mobile browsers only support a full-page update; they do not support the partialTriggers attribute of the tr:panelAccordion component.

tr:panelTabbed

Note: To conserve space within mobile browsers, the renderer intentionally prevents the display of tab bars on both the top and bottom of the tr:panelTabbed component. Valid values for the attribute positions are top and bottom. If both is specified, then the renderer displays the tabs on top.

tr:showDetail

Note: For the tr:showDetail component, the disclosure arrow does not display; the [+] and [-] symbols display instead.

tr:showDetailHeader

Note: For the tr:showDetailHeader component, the disclosure arrow does not appear on mobile browsers.

tr:showDetailItem

Note: For the tr:showDetailItem component, the disclosure arrow does not appear on mobile browsers its flex attribute is not supported.

3.4 Layout Components

The layout components supported by ADF Mobile browser include those for managing the page itself (such as tr:document and tr:form) as well as components for laying out the sections of a page, such as tr:group, tr:panelFormLayout, and tr:panelGroupLayout.

3.4.1 Managing the Page

The following components enable you to manage the page:

- tr:document
- tr:form

Note: ADF Mobile browser does not support the defaultCommand attribute of the tr:form component.

tr:page

Note: ADF Mobile browser does not support the tr:page facet of the tr:page component.

3.4.2 Laying Out Sections of the Page

The following ADF Faces core tags support page layout for mobile device applications:

- tr:group
- tr:panelBorderLayout

Note: Only the top and bottom facets are supported for the tr:panelBorderLayout component. ADF Mobile browser does not support the following facets:

- left
- right
- start
- end
- innerLeft
- innerRight
- innerStart
- innerEnd

The tr:panelBorderLayout component does not render if you use any of these unsupported facets.

- tr:panelBox
- tr:panelFormLayout
- tr:panelGroupLayout
- tr:panelHeader
- tr:panelHorizontalLayout

Note: ADF Mobile browser does not support the halign=end attribute definition for the tr:panelHorizontalLayout component.

tr:panelLabelAndMessage

Note: Trinidad optimizes the tr:panelLabelAndMessage component for narrow-screen devices (that is, devices with a screen width measuring less than 240 pixels). For more information see Section 7.1, "Determining Narrow Screen Support."

- tr:panelPage
- tr:panelPageHeader

Note: ADF Mobile browser only supports the following facets of the tr:panelPageHeader component:

- branding
- brandingApp
- navigation1
- navigation2
- tr:panelRadio

Note: Trinidad optimizes the tr:panelRadio component for narrow-screen devices (that is, devices with a screen width measuring less than 240 pixels). For more information see Section 7.1, "Determining Narrow Screen Support."

tr:panelCaptionGroup

3.4.3 Inserting Spaces

The following components control the space allocation on pages:

- tr:separator
- tr:spacer
- tr:subform

3.5 Navigation Components

ADF Mobile browser supports such components as buttons, links, and breadcrumbs that enable users to navigate to other pages of the application, or to external locations.

3.5.1 Creating Buttons

ADF Mobile browser supports the following button types:

tr:commandButton

Note: Because the text attribute cannot display if the icon attribute has been set, you can define buttons as text or as an image, but not both. If you set the disabled attribute to true, then a tr:commandButton component with an icon attribute renders as a static image with no links.

tr:goButton

See Chapter 8, "Extending ADF Mobile Browser Applications" for information on how to use the tr:goButton component to integrate e-mail, telephony, and Google maps into an application.

3.5.2 Creating Links

ADF Mobile browser supports the following components for creating hyper-links:

tr:commandLink

Note: Because the tr:commandLink component renders as an input element in basic mobile HTML browsers, its child components cannot render. For more information on input elements in basic mobile HTML browsers, see Section 5.2, "Developing Applications for Basic HTML Mobile Browsers."

tr:goLink

See Chapter 8, "Extending ADF Mobile Browser Applications" for information on how to use the tr:goLink component to integrate e-mail, telephony, and Google maps into an application.

3.5.3 Navigation Components

ADF Mobile browser supports the following navigation components:

tr:breadcrumbs

Note: Trinidad optimizes the tr:breadcrumbs component for narrow-screen devices (that is, devices with a screen width measuring less than 240 pixels). For more information see Chapter 7.1, "Determining Narrow Screen Support."

tr:commandNavigationItem

Note: tr:commandNavigationItem does not render when you set the disabled attribute to true for the following:

- tr:selectOneListBox
- tr:selectOneChoice
- tr:processChoiceBar
- tr:navigationPane with hint, "choice"
- tr:selectRangeChoiceBar

tr:navigationPane

Note: tr:navigationPane hint = "choice" with a destination value is not supported for basic HTML browsers.

Note: Trinidad optimizes the tr:navigationPane component for narrow-screen devices (that is, devices with a screen width measuring less than 240 pixels). For more information see Chapter 7.1, "Determining Narrow Screen Support."

tr:train

Note: The tr:train component appears as x of y instead of listing each item. This is a display-only component for ADF Mobile browser; users cannot navigate through the application by clicking the x of y component. To enable navigation, you must add a separate link or button.

tr:processChoiceBar

Note: Trinidad optimizes the tr:processChoiceBar component for narrow-screen devices (that is, devices with a screen width measuring less than 240 pixels). For more information see Section 7.1, "Determining Narrow Screen Support."

tr:selectRangeChoiceBar

Note: Trinidad optimizes the tr:selectRangeChoiceBar component for narrow-screen devices (that is, devices with a screen width measuring less than 240 pixels). For more information see Chapter 7.1, "Determining Narrow Screen Support."

3.6 Data Visualization (Graphs and Gauges)

ADF Mobile browser supports data visualization tools (DVTs), described in the "Creating Databound ADF Data Visualization Components" section in *Oracle Fusion Middleware Developing Fusion Web Applications with Oracle Application Development Framework*.

ADF Mobile browser supports the following types of graphs:

- area
- ∎ bar
- bar (horizontal)
- bubble
- combination (horizontal bar and line)
- funnel

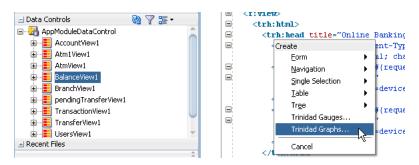
- line
- pareto
- pie
- radar
- scattar/polar
- spark
- stock

ADF Mobile browser supports the following types of gauges:

- dial
- status meter
- status meter (vertical)
- LED

Because Oracle JDeveloper incorporates DVTs, you can quickly add graphs and gauges. To add these components to an application, first move a data control into the editor window using a drag-and-drop operation and then select **Trinidad Gauges** or **Trinidad Graphs** from the context menu. For example, Figure 3–1 illustrates the context menu that appears when you drag a collection into the editor.

Figure 3–1 Creating a DVT by Dragging and Dropping a Data Control



After you select either the **Trinidad Graphs** or **Trinidad Gauges** options, the DVT wizard appears and opens to the Component Gallery page, shown in Figure 3–2. You select the DVT type from this page.

Note: ADF Mobile browser supports only static graphs and gauges, which are rendered as PNG images. Any mobile device that supports this image format can display graphs and gauges.

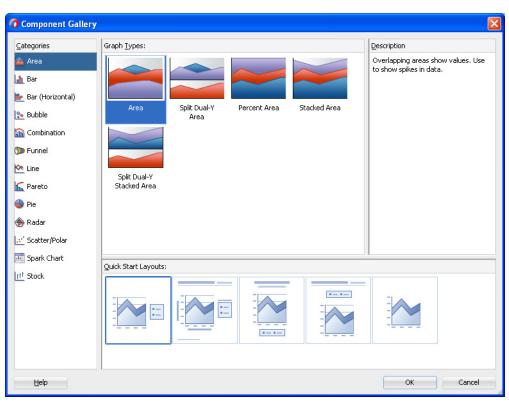


Figure 3–2 The Component Gallery for the DVT Wizard

3.7 Tables and Trees

ADF Mobile browser applications can display structured data in the rows and columns of a table or hierarchically in and trees.

3.7.1 Creating Tables

ADF Mobile browser supports tables comprised of the following components:

tr:table

Note: ADF Mobile browser does not support the allDetailsEnabled attribute for the tr:table component; this attribute is always set to false.

tr:column

Note: When you nest tr:column tags to create column groups, the header facets do not render for the column groups.

Creating a single-column table optimizes how tables display on mobile devices.

3.7.2 Creating Trees

ADF Mobile browser supports the tr:tree component.

```
Note: tr:tree may not render on basic HTML browsers.
```

3.8 Generating HTML <meta> Tags

The <meta> tag designates how pages display within a browser. Example 3–1 illustrates examples of <meta> tag usage that include setting an application to display in full-screen mode and setting the viewport width for such devices as the Apple iPhone and iPad. This example also includes a <meta> tag used to designate how a page reloads after a given number of sections.

Example 3–1 Using the <meta> Tag to Set Page Behavior

```
<meta name="viewport"
content="width=device-width, user-scalable=no">
<meta name="apple-mobile-web-app-capable"
content="yes">
<meta http-equiv="refresh"
content="2;url=./test/index.jspx">
```

For more information on the use of the <meta> tag in applications running on Apple devices, see the descriptions of the Apple-specific meta tag keys in the "Supported Meta Tags" section of *Safari HTML Reference*, which is available through the iOS Developer Library (http://developer.apple.com/library/ios/navigation/).

3.8.1 Using <trh:meta> to Generate HTML <meta> Tags

The <trh:meta> component tag generates an HTML <meta> tag. Example 3–2 shows using this component to:

- Configure the viewport dimensions on mobile devices.
- Disable user resizing of the viewport on mobile devices.
- Enable the home screen bookmark of the web page to launch it in its own process rather than in Safari on iOS devices.
- Configure the page to navigate to another page after two seconds.

Example 3–2 Using <trh:meta> to Generate Several HTML <meta> Tags

```
<af:document ...>
<f:facet name="metaContainer">
<af:group id="metaContainer">
<af:group id="metaContainer"</a>
```

3.8.1.1 About Default Viewport Size on Mobile Devices

Web pages commonly have a hard-coded width that leaves white space on both sides of the page. While this does not interfere with pages displaying on desktop browsers, it can make the same pages appear too small on mobile devices. In addition, the display of the page controls can be too small for a user's finger tips as well, forcing the users to zoom in to interact with the page. Operating systems for Apple (iOS), Google (Android), and Micosoft (Windows Phone 7) assume a standard viewport width and render the page to fit the smaller screens, thereby causing this scaling to occur when web pages display on mobile devices .

To enable a page to display properly at the native resolution of a mobile device, you can specify the viewport dimension using the viewport meta key within the trh:meta> tag, as illustrated in Example 3–3.

Example 3–3 Setting the Viewport Dimensions

```
<af:document ...>
<f:facet name="metaContainer">
<trh:meta name="viewport"
content="width=device-width"/>
</f:facet>
...
</af:document>
```

You can set a specific numeric value for pixels for the width property of the viewport meta key or you can use the device-width constant as shown in Example 3–3. On Apple (iOS) systems, the value set for the page's width in both the portrait and landscape orientations is the same (that is, for the landscape width, the Safari browser uses the value set for the portrait width).

Note: The pixels on high-resolution displays, such as Retina on iPhone 4, do not have a one-to-one match to pixels on a lower-resolution devices such as iPhone 3GS. Despite this, the number of pixels defined for the width property for an iPhone 3GS equates to the same physical length on the iPhone 4, even though the iPhone 4 has more display pixels.

3.9 Unsupported Components and Attributes

ADF Mobile browser does not support some Apache MyFaces Trinidad components or certain component attributes.

3.9.1 Unsupported Components

ADF Mobile browser does not support the following components:

- tr:chart
- tr:chooseColor
- tr:chooseDate
- tr:inputFile
- tr:inputListOFVariables
- tr:inputNumberSpinbox
- tr:legend
- tr:media
- tr:navigationTree

- tr:panelButtonBar
- tr:panelPopup
- tr:panelSideBar
- tr:poll
- tr:progressIndicator
- tr:selectManyShuttle
- tr:selectOrderShuttle
- tr:singleStepButtonBar
- tr:statusIndicator
- tr:switcher
- tr:treeTable

3.9.2 Unsupported Attributes

ADF Mobile browser does not support the following attributes on any Apache MyFaces Trinidad component.

- accessKey
- shortDesc (tooltip)

Skinning ADF Mobile Browser Applications

This chapter describes skinning for ADF Mobile browser applications.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Section 4.1, "About ADF Mobile Browser Skinning"
- Section 4.2, "Implementing ADF Mobile Browser Skinning"
- Section 4.3, "Applying ADF Mobile Browser Skinning"

4.1 About ADF Mobile Browser Skinning

Skinning enables a page to display consistently on a variety of devices through the automatic delivery of device-dependent style sheets. These style sheets enable the optimal display of pages that share the same page definitions on various mobile browsers. Within these style sheets, which enable you to set the look and feel of an application, you not only tailor a component to a specific browser by setting its size, location, and appearance, but you also specify the types of browsers in which components can be displayed or hidden.

Note: Browsers must support the Cascading Style Sheet (CSS) syntax.

4.2 Implementing ADF Mobile Browser Skinning

As noted in Section 2.2.2, "What Happens When You Create a Mobile Application and Project," JDeveloper creates two mobile-specific sytlesheets, mobile.css and richmobile.css within the ADF Mobile browser-specific view controller project, as shown in Figure 4–1.

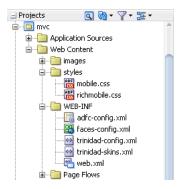


Figure 4–1 CSS Files in the ADF Mobile Browser Project

Table 4–1 lists the skinning files provided	l to ADF Mobile pages.
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Table 4–1 The ADF Mobile Browser Skins

CSS File	Skin Family	Use
mobile.css	mobile	Used for basic HTML browsers. This family is used for rendering on Windows Mobile and BlackBerry, Version 4.6 and higher. See Chapter 5, "Supporting Basic HTML Mobile Browsers."
richmobile.css	richmobile	Used for smartphone browsers that use the Webkit rendering engine. The Nokia S60 and also iOS- and Android-powered devices use these browsers.

Creating an ADF Mobile browser view controller project populates the <skin-family> element of the trinidad-config.xml file with the following EL expression that selects the renderkit appropriate to the browser's user agent.

#{requestContext.agent.type == 'desktop'?'richmobile': 'mobile'}

The ADF Mobile browser framework then applies the style defined for the renderkit. This expression, which is shown in Example 4–1, must be added to the trinidad-config.xml file to enable ADF Mobile browser applications to use the mobile and richmobile skin families.

Note: Ensure that the trinidad-config.xml file includes this statement.

Example 4–1 The Skin Family Selection Logic within Trinidad-config.xml

The trinidad-skins.xml file, shown in Example 4–2, defines the default skin families that are applied using the EL expression.

Example 4–2 trinidad-skins.xml Populated with ADF Mobile browser <skin> Definitions

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="windows-1252"?>
```

```
<skins xmlns="http://myfaces.apache.org/trinidad/skin">
  <skin>
    <id>richmobile</id>
    <family>richmobile</family>
    <render-kit-id>org.apache.myfaces.trinidad.desktop</render-kit-id>
    <style-sheet-name>styles/richmobile.css</style-sheet-name>
    <extends>trinidad-simple.desktop</extends>
  </skin>
  <skin>
    <id>mobile</id>
    <family>mobile</family>
    <render-kit-id>org.apache.myfaces.trinidad.pda</render-kit-id>
    <style-sheet-name>styles/mobile.css</style-sheet-name>
    <extends>trinidad-simple.pda</extends>
  </skin>
</skins>
```

4.2.1 Extending the ADF Mobile Skins

You can configure the trinidad-config.xml file and the trinidad-skins.xml file to call CSS files other than richmobile.css and mobile.css. You can also modify the richmobile.css and mobile.css files to render to a specific mobile device or platform using at-rules.

To add mobile features to a non-mobile project:

- 1. Create a skin. This includes creating the trinidad-skins.xml file within the WEB-INF node of the ADF Mobile browser view project.
- **2.** Create a style sheet.
- **3.** Set the skin family in the trinidad-config.xml file (located in the WEB-INF node).

For more information, see "Create a Skin—An Overview" in *Development Guidelines* for Apache MyFaces Trinidad

(http://myfaces.apache.org/trinidad/devguide/skinning.html).

Skin families in Apache MyFaces Trinidad are associated with a renderkit and a unique CSS file. Because Trinidad uses the desktop renderkit for Webkit-based mobile browsers and the PDA renderkit for all other mobile browsers, you can support all mobile browsers by creating two skin families, both of which reference one of these renderkits and a CSS file. Use the @agent and @platform selector rules to enable rendering based on the browser's name, version, or platform. For more information, see "Skinning CSS Features" in *Development Guidelines for Apache MyFaces Trinidad* (http://myfaces.apache.org/trinidad/devguide/skinning.html).

4.3 Applying ADF Mobile Browser Skinning

Although CSS styles are applied automatically for many components, you can optimize the rendering of a component by defining its styleClass attribute.

4.3.1 Headers

Augmenting the <tr:panelHeader> component with the styleClass attribute enables the application to display title-only headers, as well as headers with both a title and links.

4.3.1.1 Creating a Title-Only Header

To create a title-only header, add styleClass="af_m_toolbar" to the <tr:panelHeader> component, as illustrated in Example 4–3.

Example 4–3 Adding Attributes to Create a Title-Only Header

```
<tr:panelHeader styleClass="af_m_toolbar" text="Welcome"/>
```

Figure 4–2 shows how this ADF Mobile browser attribute creates a title-only header on an Apple iPhone.

Figure 4–2 A Title-Only Header on the Apple iPhone

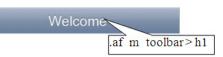


Table 4–2 lists examples of how title-only headers display on Windows Mobile devices, BlackBerry smartphones, and the Nokia Webkit.

Table 4–2 Title-Only Header Displays on Various Platforms

Platform	Example
BlackBerry 4.6	Welcome
Windows Mobile	Welcome
Nokia Webkit	Welcome
BlackBerry 4.2	Welcome

4.3.1.2 Creating Headers with Titles and Links

As illustrated in Figure 4–3, you can add links and a title within a header. Figure 4–3 shows such a header as it displays in on the Apple iPhone.

Figure 4–3 Title and Links Within a Header on Apple iPhone



As described in Section 4.3.1.1, "Creating a Title-Only Header," you define the title for the header (in Figure 4–3, a title called *Transfer*) by adding styleClass="af_m_ toolbar" within the <tr:panelHeader> element. The links are defined as buttons (styleClass="af_m_backButton" and styleClass="af_m_button", respectively) within the child <tr:commandLink> element as illustrated in Example 4–4. In Example 4–4, the <tr:panelHeader> element includes these attributes (in bold).

Example 4–4 Adding Titles and Links to Headers

Table 4–3 lists examples of how the <tr:panelHeader> that includes a title and links display on Windows Mobile devices, BlackBerry smartphones, and the Nokia Webkit.

Platform	Example
BlackBerry 4.6	Back Transfer Sign Off
Windows Mobile	Transfer Back Sign Off
Nokia Webkit	Back Transfer Sign Off
BlackBerry 4.2	Transfer Back Sign Off

 Table 4–3
 Title and Link Headers on Various Platforms

4.3.2 Table Components

Using the styleClass attribute enables table components within ADF Mobile browser application to render appropriately on various browsers.

4.3.2.1 Multi-Column Tables

Unlike panel headers, which require that you include the styleClass attribute to apply the style appropriately on the target platform, the table column headers do not require any attributes. Instead, you use the <tr:columns> component described in Section 3.7.1, "Creating Tables." Figure 4–4 illustrates how column headers render on the Apple iPhone.

Figure 4–4 Column Headers and Cells on Apple iPhone

			af table::content tr t
FirstName	LastName	Phone -	
Nathan	Chan	650-555-013	4
Frank	Davis	650-555-018	6
Alok	Gupta	650-555-018	8 3
Louis	Robert	650-555-014	5
	afcolun	nn::cell-te	xt

Example 4–5 illustrates how to define the <tr:columns> element (in bold).

Example 4–5 Creating Column Headers

```
<tr:table var="row" .../>
<tr:table var="row" .../>
<tr:column headerText="LastName">
<tr:outputText value="#{row.bindings.LastName.inputValue}"/>
</tr:column>
<tr:column headerText="FirstName">
<tr:column>
</tr:column>
```

Table 4–4 shows examples of how column headers display on Windows Mobile devices, the Nokia Webkit, and BlackBerry smartphones.

Table 4–4 Column Headers on Various Platforms

Platform	Example		
BlackBerry 4.6	FirstName	LastName	Phone
	Nathan	Chan	650-555-0134
	Frank	Davis	650-555-0186
	Alok	Gupta	650-555-0188
	Louis	Robert	650-555-0145

650-555-0188

650-555-0145

Windows Mobile				
windows woolle	FirstName	LastNan	ne Phone	
	Nathan	Chan	650-555- 0134	
	Frank	Davis	650-555- 0186	
	Alok	Gupta	650-555- 0188	
	Robert	Louis	650-555- 0145	
Nokia Webkit	FirstName	LastName	Phone	
	Nathan	Chan	650-555-0134	
	Frank	Davis	650-555-0186	

Gupta

Robert

Alok

Louis

Platform	Example		
BlackBerry 4.2	FirstName	LastName	Phone
	Nathan	Chan	650- 555- 0134
	Frank	Davis	650- 555- 0186
	Alok	Gupta	650- 555- 0188
	Louis	Robert	650- 555- 0145

 Table 4–4 (Cont.) Column Headers on Various Platforms

4.3.2.2 Adding Images and Primary Details with Links

Figure 4–5 demonstrates creating the links and details within a table using the styleClass values af_m_listingLink and af_m_listingDetails.





As illustrated in Example 4–6, you create these features by adding a <tr:panelGroupLayout> component as a child of a <tr:column> component. You then add the styleClass="af_m_listingLink" and styleClass="af_m_listingDetails" attributes to the panelGroupLayout's <tr:commandLink> and <tr:outputText> subcomponents. See Chapter 3, "Component Support" for information on the tr:panelGroupLayout, tr:commandLink, and tr:outputText.

Example 4–6 Adding Links with Details

```
<tr:table horizontalGridVisible="false"
var="row"
width="100%">
<tr:column>
<tr:image source="#{row.bindings.TypeIconUrl.inputValue}"/>1
</tr:column>
<tr:column inlineStyle="width:100%;">
```

Table 4–5 shows examples of how images, links, and details display on Windows Mobile devices, the Nokia Webkit, and BlackBerry smartphones.

Platform Example BlackBerry 4.6 Saving > \$7458.88 Credit \$32667.32 > Mortgage \$1319.00 > Windows Mobile > Saving 23 \$7458.88 > Credit cu u 🗹 \$32667.32 > Mortgage \$1319.00 Nokia Webkit Saving > 21 \$7458.88 Credit > \$32667.32 Mortgage > \$1319.00 BlackBerry 4.2 Saving Д Ç \$7458.88 redit \$32667.32 Mortgage 1319.00

Table 4–5 Images, Links, and Details on Various Platforms

4.3.2.3 Creating Primary Details with Links

Figure 4–6 illustrates how to create primary details and links within a table.

Figure 4–6 Primary Details with Links as Rendered on Apple iPhone

.af_m_listingLink	
nchan Nathan Chan	>
fdavis Frank Davis	>
agupta Alok Gupta	>
.af_m_listingDetails	

Similar to adding the primary links and details with images described in Section 4.3.2.2, "Adding Images and Primary Details with Links," you create these features by adding a <tr:panelGroupLayout> component as a child of a <tr:column> component. As illustrated in Example 4–7, you then add the styleClass="af_m_ listingLink" and styleClass="af_m_listingDetails" attributes to the panelGroupLayout's <tr:commandLink> and <tr:outputText> subcomponents. See Chapter 3, "Component Support" for information on the tr:panelGroupLayout, tr:commandLink, and tr:outputText.

Example 4–7 Primary Details and Links

```
<tr:table horizontalGridVisible="false"
var="row"
width="100%">
<tr:column>
<tr:column>
<tr:commandLink text="#{row.bindings.Email.inputValue}"
styleClass=" af_m_listingLink">
</tr:commandLink text="#{row.bindings.Email.inputValue}"
styleClass=" af_m_listingDetails"/>
</tr:column>
</tr:column>
```

Table 4–6 shows examples of how links and details display on Windows Mobile devices, the Nokia Webkit, and BlackBerry smartphones.

Table 4–6 Images and Links on Various Platforms

Platform	Example		
BlackBerry 4.6	nchan Nathan Chan	>	
	fdavis Frank Davis	>	
	agupta Alok Gupta	>	

Platform	Example		
Windows Mobile	nchan	>	
	Nathan Chan		
	fdavis Frank Davis	>	
	agupta Alok Gupta	>	
Nokia Webkit		_	
	nchan Nathan Chan	>	
	fdavis Frank Davis	>	
	agupta Alok Gupta	>	
BlackBerry 4.2			
	nchan Nathan Chan		
	fdavis Frank Davis		
	agupta		

 Table 4–6 (Cont.) Images and Links on Various Platforms

4.3.2.4 Creating Primary Details Without Links

As illustrated in Figure 4–7, af_m_listingPrimaryDetails and af_m_listingDetails style classes enable you to create details that do not function as links; their behavior is different from the primary details described in Section 4.3.2.2, "Adding Images and Primary Details with Links."

.af_m_listingPrimaryDetai	ls
\$836.94 on 2008-12-09 From Mortgage To Credit	
\$663.39 on 2008-12-09 From Saving To Checking	
\$588.92 on 2008-12-09 From Credit To Savigg	

Figure 4–7 Primary Details without Links on Apple iPhone

As illustrated in Example 4–8, you create non-linking primary details by adding styleClass="af_m_listingPrimaryDetails" and styleClass="af_m_ listingDetails" to the <tr:outputText> element. This element is a child of the <tr:panelGroupLayout> element (which is itself a child of the <tr:column> element).

Example 4–8 Adding Non-Linking Primary Details

</tr:table>

Table 4–7 shows examples of how non-linking details display on Windows Mobile devices, the Nokia Webkit, and BlackBerry smartphones.

Platform	Example		
BlackBerry 4.6	\$586.6 on 2008-12-09 From Credit To Saving		
	\$53.9 on 2008-12-09 From Saving To Checking		
	\$263.31 on 2008-12-09 From Checking To Loc		
Windows Mobile	\$836.94 on 2008-12-09		
	From Mortgage To Credit		
	\$663.39 on 2008-12-09 From Saving To Checking		
	\$588.92 on 2008-12-09 From Credit To Saving		

Table 4–7 Non-Linking Details on Various Platforms

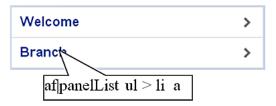
Platform	Example	
Nokia Webkit	\$765.55 on 2008-12-09	
	From Credit To Saving \$817.08 on 2008-12-09 From Credit To Saving	
	\$703.09 on 2008-12-09 From Credit To Saving	
BlackBerry 4.2	\$817.08 on 2008-12-09 From Credit To Saving	
	\$703.09 on 2008-12-09 From Credit To Saving	
	\$20.52 on 2008-12-09 From Checking To Loc	

Table 4–7 (Cont.) Non-Linking Details on Various Platforms

4.3.3 Panel List Components

Defining the value of the styleClass as af_m_panelBase within the <tr:panelGroupLayout> component applies padding to the <tr:panelList> components, as shown in Figure 4–8.

Figure 4–8 Rendering Padding on an Apple iPhone



As illustrated in Example 4–9, you do not have to include a styleClass attribute in the child <tr:panelList> component. For more information on using <tr:panelList> and <tr:panelGroupLayout>, see Section 3.2.2, "Creating Lists" and Section 3.4, "Layout Components," respectively.

Example 4–9 Adding Padding to panelList Components

```
<tr:panelGroupLayout styleClass="af_m_panelBase">
        <tr:panelList>
            <tr:commandLink text="Welcome" action="welcome"/>
            <tr:commandLink text="Branch" action="branch"/>
            </tr:panelList>
</tr:panelGroupLayout>
```

Table 4–8 shows examples of padding in the <tr:panelList> component on Windows Mobile devices, the Nokia Webkit, and BlackBerry smartphones.

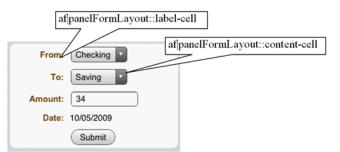
Platform	Example	
BlackBerry 4.6	Welcome	>
	Branch	>
Windows Mobile		
	Welcome	>
	Branch	>
Nokia Webkit		
	Welcome	>
	Branch	>
BlackBerry 4.2		
	Welcome	
	Branch	

Table 4–8 Padding Applied to <tr:panelList> on Various Platforms

4.3.4 PanelFormLayout

Defining the value of the styleClass attribute as af_m_panelBase within the <tr:panelGroupLayout> component applies padding to the child <tr:panelFormLayout> components, as shown in Figure 4–9.

Figure 4–9 Padding Rendered in panelFormLayout on Apple iPhone



As illustrated in Example 4–10, you do not need to add styleClass to the <tr:panelFormLayout> component.

Example 4–10 Applying Padding to the PanelFormLayout Component

```
<tr:selectOneChoice value="#{transferBean.transferToAccount}"
                              showRequired="false"
                              unselectedLabel="- select -"
                              label="To:">
                    <f:selectItems value="#{bindings.AccountView1.items}"/>
         </tr:selectOneChoice>
         <tr:inputText id="amount"
                       columns="#{requestContext.agent.capabilities.narrowScreen ? '8' : '12'}"
                       required="false" showRequired="false"
                       value="#{transferBean.transferAmount}"
                       label="Amount:">
                    <f:converter converterId="Bank10.amountConverter"/>
         </tr:inputText>
         <tr:panelLabelAndMessage label="Date: ">
              <tr:outputText value="#{transferBean.transferDate}"/>
         </tr:panelLabelAndMessage>
        <f:facet name="footer">
           <tr:panelGroupLayout>
                 <tr:spacer rendered="#{requestContext.agent.skinFamilyType eq
                                     'blackberryminimal'}"
                            height="5"
                            width="75"/>
                  <tr:commandButton text="Submit"
                                    action="#{transferBean.validateTransferRequest}"/>
            </tr:panelGroupLayout>
        </f:facet>
     </tr:panelFormLayout>
</tr:panelGroupLayout>
```

Table 4–9 shows examples of padding in the <tr:panelList> component on Windows Mobile devices, the Nokia Webkit, and BlackBerry smartphones.

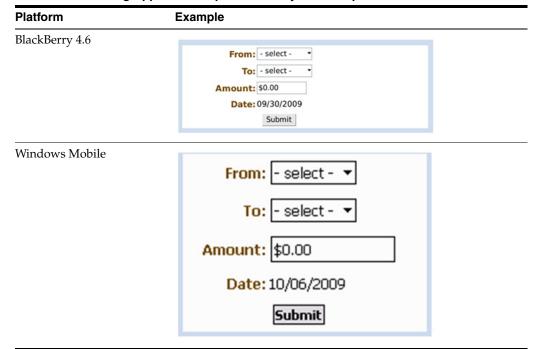


Table 4–9 Padding Applied to <tr:panelFormLayout> Component on Various Platforms

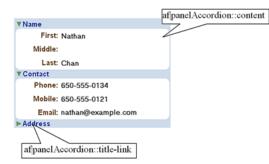
Platform	Example
Nokia Webkit	From: - select - To: - select - Amount: \$135 Date: 09/30/2009 Submit
BlackBerry 4.2	From: - select - To: - select - Amount: \$0.00 Date: 10/07/2009 Submit

Table 4–9 (Cont.) Padding Applied to <tr:panelFormLayout> Component on Various

4.3.5 Panel Accordion

Defining the value of the styleClass attribute as af_m_panelBase within the <tr:panelGroupLayout> component applies padding to its <tr:panelAccordion> component, as shown in Figure 4–10.





As illustrated in Example 4–11, you do not need to add the styleClass attribute to the <tr:panelAccordion> component.

Example 4–11 Applying Padding to the <tr:panelAccordion> Component

```
</tr:showDetailItem>
<tr:showDetailItem text="Contact" disclosed="true">
<tr:panelFormLayout fieldWidth="70%" labelWidth="30%">
...
</tr:panelFormLayout>
</tr:showDetailItem>
<tr:showDetailItem text="Address">
<tr:panelFormLayout>
</tr:panelFormLayout fieldWidth="70%" labelWidth="30%">
...
```

Example 4–10 shows examples of padding in the <tr:panelAccordion> component on Windows Mobile devices, the Nokia Webkit, and BlackBerry smartphones.

Platform Example BlackBerry 4.6 [-]Name First: Nathan Middle: Last: Chan [-]Contact Phone: 650-555-0134 Mobile: 650-555-0121 Email: nathan@example.com [+]Address Windows Mobile [-]Name First: Nathan Middle: Last: Chan [-]Contact Phone: 650-555-0134 Mobile: 650-555-0121 Email: nathan@example.com [+]Address

Table 4–10 <tr:panelAccordion> on Various Platforms

Platform	Example	
Nokia Webkit	[-]Name	
	First: Nathan	
	Middle:	
	Last: Chan	
	[-]Contact	
	Phone: 650-555-0134	
	Mobile: 650-555-0121	
	Email: nathan@example.com	
	[+]Address	
BlackBerry 4.2	-Name First: Nathan Middle: Last: Chan -Contact Phone: 555-555-0134 Mobile: 555-555-0121 Email: nathan@example.com +Address	

Table 4–10 (Cont.) <tr:panelAccordion> on Various Platforms

Supporting Basic HTML Mobile Browsers

This chapter describes ADF Mobile browser's support for basic HTML mobile browsers.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Section 5.1, "About Basic HTML Mobile Browser Support"
- Section 5.2, "Developing Applications for Basic HTML Mobile Browsers"
- Section 5.3, "Styling Basic HTML Mobile Browsers"

5.1 About Basic HTML Mobile Browser Support

Because basic HTML browsers for mobile devices do not support JavaScript, they are less robust than the other browsers supported by ADF Mobile browser, such as those for BlackBerry smartphones or the Apple iPhone. Aside from the browsers listed in Section 1.2, "Supported Mobile Browser Features," ADF Mobile browser considers most common browsers as basic HTML mobile browsers. (ADF Mobile browser may not recognize certain mobile browsers, however.)

5.1.1 Requirements for Basic HTML Mobile Browser Support

The minimum requirement for ADF Mobile browser's support is XHTML Basic, or the XHTML Mobile Profile that includes WAP2.*n* browsers.

Note: ADF Mobile browser does not support the WAP1.*n* browsers that do not support either XHTML Basic or the XHTML Mobile Profile.

5.2 Developing Applications for Basic HTML Mobile Browsers

Because the ADF Mobile browser serves pages to mobile browsers that are appropriate to a browser's capabilities or limitations, you do not have to create user interfaces that are specific to basic HTML mobile browsers. However, the absence of JavaScript support by these browsers limits the functionality of certain HTML elements.

- Basic HTML mobile browsers do not support the autosubmit attribute. Add a submit button to the form only if the form submission responds to a component's autosubmit feature. For composite components with built-in autosubmit features, ADF Mobile browser adds a submit button to enable users to submit the form.
- Basic HTML mobile browsers do not support form-submitting links. All submitting elements are rendered as buttons. Basic HTML mobile browsers do not

support the child components of such input elements. As a consequence, the child components of the tr:commandLink component cannot render in a basic HTML mobile browser. For more information on tr:commandLink, see Section 3.5.2, "Creating Links."

5.3 Styling Basic HTML Mobile Browsers

ADF Mobile browser provides basic CSS support for basic HTML mobile browsers. Although most of these browsers support CSS, ADF Mobile browser applications can even run on the browsers that do not support CSS. In these cases, however, the user interface may be difficult to use. As a precaution, you should test the ADF Mobile browser application on as many browsers as possible.

Design Guidelines for BlackBerry 4.2 to 4.5

This chapter describes how to accommodate the behavior of BlackBerry browsers 4.2 to 4.5.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Section 6.1, "About BlackBerry Browser Display Behavior"
- Section 6.2, "Formatting Tables to Prevent Wrapping"
- Section 6.3, "Formatting Label and Message Panels"
- Section 6.4, "Formatting Column Width"
- Section 6.5, "What You May Need to Know About Display Variations on BlackBerry Smartphones"

6.1 About BlackBerry Browser Display Behavior

The BlackBerry browser behaves differently than other browsers in that it does not display pages using horizontal scrolling. Instead, it fits a page to the width of the screen.

6.2 Formatting Tables to Prevent Wrapping

Because browsers wrap long words between fields, avoid long words on lines that contain multiple fields when formatting tables.

Note: Within this chapter, a word refers to a series of characters. In this context, a word does not include white space.

Because the default mode of the BlackBerry browser limits the browser width to that of the physical screen, any field that cannot fit within a line is displayed on the next line. If the intent of an application is to display multiple elements in one line, then you must ensure that the total width of the fields are within the width of the browser. Like other browsers, the BlackBerry browser wraps multiple lines when needed. The column width cannot be reduced beyond the size of the longest word in the field.

6.2.1 How to Prevent Fields from Wrapping in Tables

To prevent fields from wrapping, ensure that the total of the size attribute values in a table's row satisfies the following formula when all of the fields in a row are input fields.

 $3*\mbox{Number of columns}$ + the Sum of the size attributes in all columns <=X, when X=48

In general, field sizes in table columns should satisfy the following formula:

3 * Number of Columns + Sum of size attributes in all input field columns + Sum of number of characters in longest words in all output field columns <=X, when X=48

If the field still wraps, decrease the value of X until it fits.

6.3 Formatting Label and Message Panels

To preserve the intended programming flexibility, nowrap attributes are supported and inserted when they are explicitly programmed for the Trinidad component. You may encounter problems if you add nowrap to a component definition when you program pages.

6.4 Formatting Column Width

When formatting columns, set the percentage width specification for both the label and the field in the tr:panelFormLayout component so that the total width is 100%.

6.5 What You May Need to Know About Display Variations on BlackBerry Smartphones

The same application can display differently on different devices because of such factors as:

- Changing the Minimum Font Size
- Form Factor Variations

6.5.1 Changing the Minimum Font Size

Changing the minimum font size through user preferences affects the formatting ability of the ADF Mobile browser renderer. For example, input fields and their corresponding labels align properly when the font is set to its default size of 6 pt., as shown in Figure 6–1.

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BlackBerry	
	Cital
Save Cancel	*
* First. John	
× Last (Snith kirials (S)	
Title Vr	- I
Addresst 123 Anywhere Place	
Address 2	- 19 H.
/ City: Redwood City	
State CT	
Country: USA	*
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Figure 6–1 Application Display Using the Default Font Size of 6 pt.

Increasing the font size to 10 pt., however, disrupts the display by shifting the input fields beneath their corresponding labels. As a result, the page is difficult to read.

Figure 6–2 shows a page that is too large for the display screen.

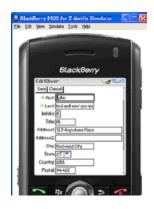


Figure 6–2 Increasing the Font Size

6.5.2 Form Factor Variations

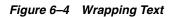
Differing screen sizes can affect display. Even if the font size is at the default of 6 pt. (illustrated in Figure 6–1), the same application appears differently on other devices. In Figure 6–3, the input fields barely fit the device's screen, even though they are easily accommodated on other devices running the same application, as shown in Figure 6–1.





In addition, input fields may display properly on the screen of one device, but may appear crowded on the screen of another type of device.

Figure 6–4 shows an application whose table cells are not wide enough to accommodate the text, causing it to wrap.



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		8	lackBer	ny 🛛	
10	Sear	chDive	rs	86 🗗 🕅 😽	0
	Fist.				1 18
	Last:				
	Go				- 10
	President	356-8	of 8 💌 168		
	Firal	Last	Phone	Hobile	
	Balk	Bilinga	925-555-3 456	925-555-4 567	
	Outis	Johnson	<u>650-555-6</u> 789	<u>650-555-2</u> 968	
	Teat	TEat1			
	New U	Xinar			

7

Narrow Screen Support and User Agent Details Support

This chapter describes how the Trinidad infrastructure determines narrow screen support and how it uses EL expressions to expose user agent details.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Section 7.1, "Determining Narrow Screen Support"
- Section 7.2, "Determining User Agent Capabilities Using EL Expressions"

7.1 Determining Narrow Screen Support

Mobile devices have a wide range of screen widths. As a result, the UI components of a web application may render properly on a device with a screen width measuring 240 pixels, but not align correctly when the application runs on a device that has a screen width of only 100 pixels. In such a situation, Trinidad optimizes its rendering for narrow-screen devices. Trinidad considers any device with a screen width of less than 240 pixels as a narrow screen and optimizes the rendering for the following components accordingly:

- tr:breadcrumbs
- tr:inputText
- tr:navigationPane
- tr:panelFormLayout
- tr:panelLabelAndMessage
- tr:panelRadio
- tr:processChoiceBar
- tr:selectRangeChoiceBar

7.1.1 How Trinidad Determines Narrow-Screen Optimization

Because Trinidad only considers a device with a screen width that measures less than 240 pixels as a narrow screen, it does not consider iPods (Safari browsers) or BlackBerry smartphones (BlackBerry browsers), which usually have screens that are greater than 240 pixels, as such. For a Windows Mobile browser, Trinidad determines the screen width from the UA-pixels request header and only applies narrow screen optimization if the screen-width is less than 240 pixels. For all other user agents, however, Trinidad optimizes its rendering for a narrow screen device.

7.2 Determining User Agent Capabilities Using EL Expressions

Trinidad exposes a requesting user agent's details using the EL expression, #{requestContext.agent}, which returns an agent object that describes the requesting user agent. By adding the detail name or capability name properties to this expression, you enable Trinidad to return details that include the user agent's name, version, platform, the version of the platform, the model (which is applicable only to BlackBerry), and the browser's support for JavaScript and PPR (Partial Page Rendering). For information on exposing user agent details, see Section 7.2.1, "How To Determine User Agent Details." For information on determining browser capabilities, see Section 7.2.2, "How to Determine Browser Capabilities."

7.2.1 How To Determine User Agent Details

When Trinidad receives a request, it parses user agent strings for a variety of user agent details (listed in Table 7–1) that include type, the name and version of the agent, and the agent's platform name and platform version. Trinidad uses the EL expression #{requestContext.agent.<detail-name>} to expose these details. For example, to retrieve the category appropriate to the user agent type (that is, desktop for a desktop browser, or PDA for mobile browsers), Trinidad uses the type detail in the EL expression as follows:

#{requestContext.agent.type}

Note: Trinidad may return a null value for such details as PlatformName and PlatformVersion if it cannot parse them from the user agent string.

Detail Name	Description
type	Identifies a user agent type. For desktop and mobile browsers, the values are <i>desktop</i> and <i>PDA</i> , respectively. Because Safari provides all desktop browser features when it runs in a mobile device, the agent object exposes this detail as a desktop type.
agentName	The name of the agent
agentVersion	The version of the agent
platformName	The platform on which the agent runs
platformVersion	The version of the platform on which the agent runs
hardwareMakeModel	The model of the mobile device

Table 7–1 Browser Details Exposed through EL Expressions

7.2.2 How to Determine Browser Capabilities

Trinidad sends its response to a user agent's request based on the capabilities it assigns to a user agent. These capabilities include a user agent's support for JavaScript and PPR. Some of these capabilities (listed in Table 7–2) are exposed through the EL expression #{requestContext.agent.capabilities}.

Use the EL expression #{requestContext.agent.capabilities.<capability-name>} to determine the specific capability assigned to a user agent by Trinidad. For example, to determine whether Trinidad assigns JavaScript capability to a user agent, use the following EL expression:

{requestContext.agent.capabilities.scriptingSpeed!='none'}

Capability Name	Detail
narrowScreen	Indicates whether Trinidad optimizes is rendering for a narrow-screen device. It returns true (a boolean type) if Trinidad optimizes its rendering for a narrow-screen device.
scriptingSpeed	Indicates JavaScript support for a user agent. Returns none (a String type) if the user agent does not support JavaScript.
partialRendering	Indicates PPR support for a user agent. Returns true (a boolean type) if the browser supports PPR.

 Table 7–2
 Browser Capabilities Exposed through EL Expressions

Extending ADF Mobile Browser Applications

This chapter describes how to add e-mail, telephony, and Google Maps functionality to ADF Mobile browser applications.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Section 8.1, "Introduction to Extending Applications for E-Mail, Telephony, and Google Maps"
- Section 8.2, "Integrating an E-Mail Client"
- Section 8.3, "Integrating Telephony"
- Section 8.4, "Integrating Google Maps"
- Section 8.5, "What You May Need to Know About Page Display Dimensions"

8.1 Introduction to Extending Applications for E-Mail, Telephony, and Google Maps

In addition to using the style sheets described in Chapter 4, "Skinning ADF Mobile Browser Applications", you can further tailor an ADF Mobile browser application to include support for e-mail, telephony, and Google Maps by defining the tr:goButton and tr:goLink components with EL (Expression Language) expressions.

8.2 Integrating an E-Mail Client

To invoke an e-mail application from a web application:

- 1. Use either the tr:goButton or the tr:goLink components.
- 2. Prepend the mailto: protocol in an HTML link.
- 3. Set the destination property to the HTML link (represented as the Expression Language statement #{sessionScope.empDetails.Email} in Example 8–1).

Example 8–1 Integrating the iPhone E-Mail Client Using the mailto: Protocol

```
<tr:goLink styleClass="messageText"
text="#{sessionScope.empDetails.Email}"
destination="mailto:#{sessionScope.empDetails.Email}"/>
```

8.2.1 Adding Mail Properties

The mailto: protocol enables you to add the mail properties that are listed in Table 8–1.

Property	Syntax		
Multiple Recipients	A comma (,) separating each e-mail address		
Message Subject	subject = <subject text=""></subject>		
cc Recipients	cc= <name@address.com></name@address.com>		
bcc Recipients	bcc= <name@address.com></name@address.com>		
Message Text	body= <message text=""></message>		

Table 8–1Mail Properties

To specify these properties, append the e-mail address with question mark (?) as illustrated by #{sessionScope.empDetails.Email}? in Example 8–2 and then add the properties, separating each with an ampersand (&).

Example 8–2 Adding E-Mail Properties

```
<tr:goLink styleClass="messageText"
text="#{sessionScope.empDetails.Email}"
destination="mailto:#{sessionScope.empDetails.Email}?subject=hello
&cc=myboss@oracle.com
&bcc=me@oracle.com
&body=good morning!"/>
```

8.3 Integrating Telephony

To invoke a call dialog box for a phone number:

- 1. Use either the tr:goButton or the tr:goLink component.
- **2.** Prepend the phone number with the tel: protocol.

Note: The phone number must support the portion of the RFC 2806 protocol (http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2806.txt) which enables you to add pauses or dial extensions after an end user dials the primary phone number. Because Apple does not specify which portions of RFC 2086 that it supports, you must test each portion.

3. Set the destination property to the telephone number (represented as the EL expression, #{sessionScope.empDetails.PhoneNumber} in Example 8–3).

Example 8–3 Enabling the Call Dialog Box

```
<tr:goLink styleClass="messageText"
text="#{sessionScope.empDetails.PhoneNumber}"
destination="tel:#{ sessionScope.empDetails.PhoneNumber}"/>
```

8.4 Integrating Google Maps

To create a link that displays a map that shows the data available in the application, specify the destination property of the tr:goLink component as follows:

1. Use either the tr:goButton or the tr:goLink component.

- Define destination= as the URL of Google Maps. (destination=http://maps.google.com/maps, as illustrated in Example 8-4.)
- **3.** To search for a location, append the Google Maps URL with ?q=.
- **4.** Define q= using the address string of the target location. This value can be a full street address, a city, landmark, or any item that Google Maps can search for and locate. If multiple items are found, Google Maps drops multiple pins automatically.

Note: The address described in the text string must be well-formatted and include commas between words. For the destination string, replace spaces with plus sign (+) characters.

Example 8–4 illustrates how to define the tr:goLink component to invoke a Google Maps application and then drop a pin on 200 Oracle Parkway.

Example 8–4 Specifying Locations in Google Maps

```
<tr:goLink styleClass="messageAddrText"
```

```
text="200 Oracle Parkway, Redwood City, CA, USA"
destination="http://maps.google.com/maps?q=200+Oracle+Parkway,+Redwood+City,+CA,+USA"/>
```

Example 8–5 illustrates specifying a location using an address represented by EL expressions.

Example 8–5 Specifying Locations in Google Maps Using EL Expressions

```
<tr:goLink styleClass="messageAddrText"
text="#{sessionScope.empDetails.StreetAddress},
#{sessionScope.empDetails.City},
#{sessionScope.empDetails.StateProvince},
#{sessionScope.empDetails.CountryName}"
destination=" http://maps.google.com/maps?q=#{sessionScope.empDetails.StreetAddress},
+#{sessionScope.empDetails.City},
+#{sessionScope.empDetails.StateProvince},
+#{sessionScope.empDetails.StateProvince},
+#{sessionScope.empDetails.CountryName}"/>
```

You must join each EL expression in the address string with a plus sign (+), as illustrated in Example 8–5. Do not include spaces between the EL expressions.

8.4.1 Programming Driving Directions

Google Maps also supports driving directions. Modify the string following the question mark (?) in the Google Maps URL with the starting and destination addresses (saddr=<starting address>&daddr=<destination address>). Using this format, the directions from Oracle headquarters at 200 Oracle Parkway in Redwood City, California, to 1 Telegraph Hill in San Francisco, California, are as follows:

```
http://maps.google.com/maps?
saddr=200+Oracle+Parkway,+Redwood+City,+CA,+USA
&daddr=1+Telegraph+Hill,+San+Francisco,+CA,+USA
```

Note: Apple and Google have not yet published other APIs.

8.4.2 Supporting Google Maps on iPhone

iPhone Safari supports both Google Maps and YouTube applications in that it automatically intercepts certain URL calls and invokes a native application rather than opening the URL for the target web site. For example, when a user clicks an HTML link to Google Maps (http://maps.google.com), Safari invokes a native Google Maps application rather than navigating to the Google Maps web site. Because the native Google maps application accepts URL parameters supported by maps.google.com, users can specify a location and drop a pin.

8.5 What You May Need to Know About Page Display Dimensions

To control the correct zoom ratio, add a viewport meta tag in the header of a page. The viewport is a device-specific meta tag used to ensure that a page displays at the correct scale. Example 8–6, illustrates setting the viewports for both iPhones and BlackBerry smartphones. For more information on the viewport, see *iOS Human Interface Guidelines*, available from the iOS Developer Library (http://developer.apple.com/library/ios/navigation/).

Example 8–6 Setting Viewports

```
<trh:head title="Online Banking Demo">
   <meta http-equiv="Content-Type"
               content="text/html; charset=windows-1252"/>
   <f:verbatim rendered="#{requestContext.agent.skinFamilyType eq 'blackberry'}">
   <meta name="viewport"
        content="width=device-width;
                 height=device-height;
                 initial-scale=1.0;
                 maximum-scale=1.0;
                 user-scalable=0;"/>
   </f:verbatim>
   <f:verbatim rendered="#{requestContext.agent.skinFamilyType eq 'iPhonewebkit'}">
   <meta name="viewport"
        content="width=device-width;
         initial-scale=1.0;
        maximum-scale=1.0;
        user-scalable=0;"/>
   </f:verbatim>
</trh:head>
```

Note: Versions 4.6 and later of BlackBerry support the HandheldFriendly meta tag which is similar to viewport. Include the following line in the header to enable the page to scale appropriately:

```
<meta name="HandheldFriendly" content="True">
```

8.5.1 Setting the Viewports for iPhone

While some mobile browser applications may display correctly on desktop Safari browsers, they may not scale not correctly for the smaller screen of the iPhone and may appear too large. As a result, the iPhone shrinks pages until they are too small to read. The following line from Example 8–6, illustrates how to set the iPhone viewport specifications in the <head> element to ensure that applications display properly on iPhones.

```
<f:verbatim rendered="#{requestContext.agent.skinFamilyType eq 'iPhonewebkit'}">
  <meta name="viewport"
    content="width=device-width;
    initial-scale=1.0;
    maximum-scale=1.0;
    user-scalable=0;"/>
```