Java Programming With Corba
The first wave of Java programs worked only on single desktop computers - they couldn’t talk or share information with other computers, which limited their usefulness for most serious business applications. This text, written in collaboration with the OMG (Object Management Group), covers Java programming with distributed objects. This generation of Java program will be able to talk with any computer - regardless of differences in the operating systems and computer languages they use. The book shows Java developers how to use the new industry standard for distributed objects, CORBA. After setting out the basic building blocks, the authors move on to demonstrate to developers how to use them to build real Java applications. The authors provide real-world business examples, and show how to build both simple and more complex programs using the Java ORB tools.

This is an excellent reference book for Java CORBA programming. It is concise and well-indexed. It is not a "how-to-program CORBA from Java" book. Although it does have a number of good examples and some tutorial sections, Orfali & Harkey’s "Client/Server Programming with Java and CORBA" is a better book for programming "how to" information. Similarly, if you are looking for more information about the underlying protocol, Henning & Vinoski’s "Advanced CORBA Programming with C++" has better low-level CORBA coverage.
This book is only useful if you have Borland's ORB. The examples DO NOT RUN without it. Go with SUN documentation if you want to write truly portable clients.

I am an instructor for Visigenic Software, Inc. (now Inprise), so I have extensive exposure to training materials and information in this subject area. I received a copy of this book several months ago, but only recently got the time to read it thoroughly. Wow. This book is terrific in many ways. Firstly, it covers the "behind the scenes" aspects of the OMG process and makes numerous references to the way things happen in the standards world. This is only lightly treated in other texts. Next, with most of the vendor-specific dependencies removed, I discovered a number of techniques for making an implementation more independent of the ORB. Thirdly, there is a terrific coverage of the POA -- the serious OA of the near future. Finally, the last several chapters are devoted to the issues in producing a "real" implementation. I found a treasure trove of information relevant to deployment and systems architecture. I have not seen a book as well-rounded and practical as this one. If you are concerned about actually "building" systems using CORBA and Java and not just getting a trivial example to work, then this is the one for you!

This is a excellent book for Java programmers with very little CORBA background like who know to use IDL object created in CORBA in their Java classes, and want to know more about IDL language - and want to independently write in IDL large scale etc. It's give the fundas of IDL as well as goes into it.

If you are competent in Java and have experience using CORBA in a C/C++ environment, this is THE book to read! Our company has a large number of developers who have been using CORBA in a C++ environment who are being thrust into the Java world very quickly, and this is the perfect book for them. Unlike any of Orfali's books (practically the only other author in the arena it seems), you won't find cartoon martians or management-level pep-talks, or discussions of OTHER distributed environments (i.e. DCOM) in this essential volume. On the flip side, if you are new to CORBA, or have no experience in Java, you will need more background to get the most of this book.

In the opening chapters, it is difficult to see what code is generated and what code needs to be written. After trying to use this book for a few hours, I turned to the Client/Server Programming with Java and CORBA book by Orfali and Harkey and quickly was up and running. The Vogel book just isn't as clear.
I found this book to be very useful. We teach a number of CORBA classes in Java and C++, and so far this is the best one I’ve seen for developers. Lots of code examples and good explanations.

This book is good for the expert or people who are familiar with the CORBA. Although the authors are the professional programmer, they need to practice how to teach the audience. If you go to the Java web site, they will describe you step by step. This book is not a good programming. It is only the theoretical book.

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