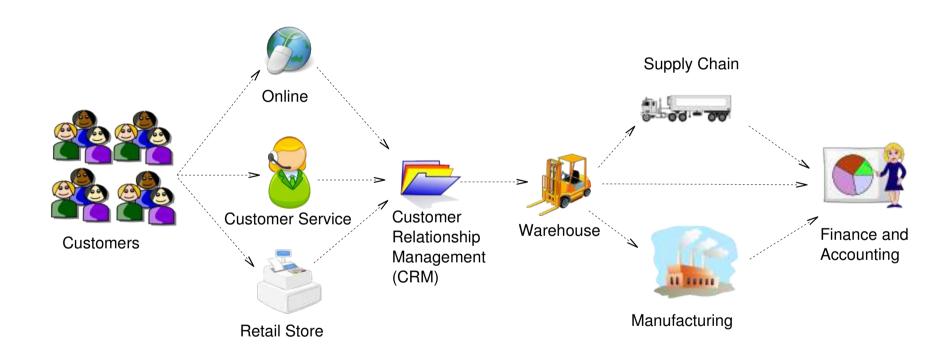
## Opening Up Enterprise Software

Opportunities for open source enterprise applications

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## Why We Are Here

### What are Enterprise Applications?



Control and Visibility across the entire Enterprise

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## Enterprise Software is Big Business

- Enterprise Resource Planning: \$25+ billion
- Customer Relationship Management: \$6+ billion
- Implementations of \$250,000 and higher
- 75% of revenues from services and support



## Enterprise Software Industry is in Transition

- Vendor Consolidation
- Services Oriented Architecture (SOA)
- Software on Demand/Software as a Service



Opportunities for Open Source



### The Case for Open Source ERP

- Loss of choice in commercial ERP software
- Increased concerns about vendor viability
- Opportunity to move in from edge with SOA transition
- Software-on-Demand requires new solutions
- Services and Support Revenues for Open Source



### The Open Source Value Proposition

#### Commercial

Lots of Features

Expensive

Inflexible

Vendor lock-in

#### Custom

No Features

Very Expensive

Highly Flexible

Support It Yourself

### Open Source

**Many Features** 

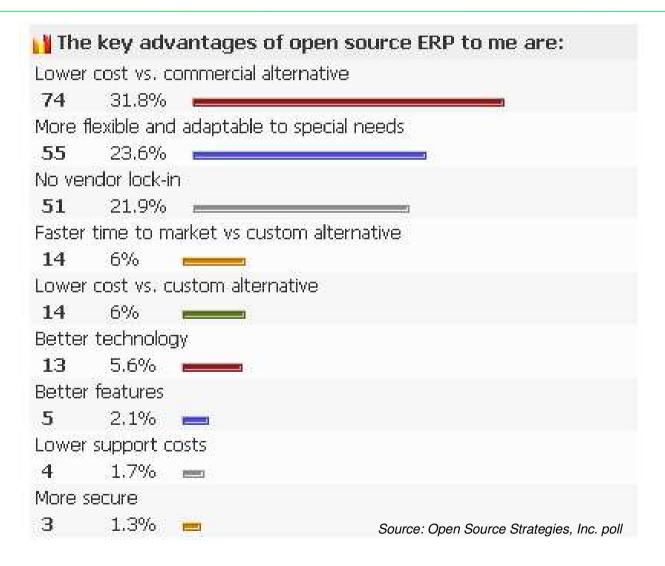
**Inexpensive** 

**Highly Flexible** 

**Many Support Options** 



### Why Open Source ERP Makes Sense





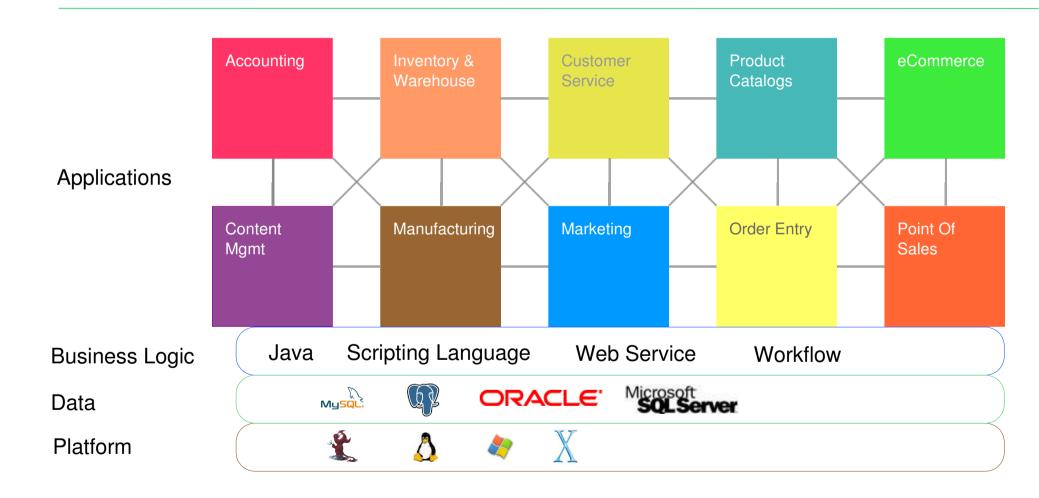
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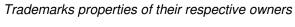


- Founded in 2001, MIT/Apache License
- Active development by global professional community
- Tier 1 Application Features
- Large-scale eCommerce, Manufacturing, Warehouse, Document Management



### At a Glance





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## Highlights

#### Unified data model

- + Compatible with all major databases
- + Service Oriented Architecture
- + Modular plug-in components
- = Flexible enterprise-wide solution



### Under the Hood

#### Presentation

Model-View-Controller Decorator pattern Templates vs actions Meta-programming

> Tomcat, Jetty Freemarker, FOP JasperReports JavaPOS, XUI beanshell

#### **Business Logic**

Service Oriented Architecture Web Services (SOAP/XML) Scripting languages Meta-programming

> Axis BSF beanshell

#### Data

XML Data Modeling
Persistence
Database Independence
Meta-programming

JOTM XAPool Minerva Derby JDBC

#### Framework

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# The Opportunities Ahead

### The Opportunity . . .

- Huge Market Potential
- Commercial Vendors have Left a Void
- Users Need an Alternative
- New On-Demand Delivery
- Open Source = Paradigm Shift which Delivers



### ... for Users

- Free to Acquire
- No Hidden Risks
- Customize to Fit Your Needs
- Many Support Choices



### . . . for Service Providers

- Low Cost, Flexible Solution with Out of Box Features
- Tier 1 Features which meet Enterprise Needs
- Extend it to fit Industry / Region / Customer
- No Vendor Risk



### ... for On-Demand Vendors

### Common Challenges

Old Technology

Commoditized Offering

High Infrastructure Costs

### The Solution

Web-Centric Services Architecture

Flexible and Extensible

Complete Open Source Stack



### ... for Developers

- Open Community Easy to Get Involved
- Work on Challenging Problems
- Interact with Global Community
- Recognition and Career Advancement
- See for Yourself: http://www.opensourcestrategies.com/ofbiz/tutorials.php





- www.opentaps.org
- Regularly released open source packages of OFBiz
- Best Practices and Professional Support
- Complementary Financials and CRM Modules
- Certified Partners and Collaborative Marketing

Partnership For Success



## Conclusions

### Conclusion

- Enterprise Software is a Huge Market
- Open Source is an Ideal Solution
- Opportunities for Users, Developers, Service Providers, On-Demand Vendors, and Investors
- www.opentaps.org It's Free!



This is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning.

- Winston Churchill