Troubleshooting the JMS Service

When you start GlassFish Server, the JMS service is started for Local and Remote JMS hosts, but is not started for Embedded JMS hosts until it is needed (for example, when you create a JMS resource). Use the jms-ping(1) subcommand to force the JMS service for an Embedded host to start. If the jms-ping subcommand is unable to contact the JMS service, an error message is displayed.

If you encounter problems, consider the following:

- View the GlassFish Server log file, typically located at domain-dir/logs/server.log.
 If a the log file indicates that a Message Queue broker acting as a Remote JMS host did not respond to a message, stop the broker and then restart it.
- View the broker log, typically available at domain-dir/imq/instances/imqbroker/log/log.txt.
- For Remote type JMS hosts, be sure to start Message Queue brokers first, then GlassFish Server instances.
- If all Message Queue brokers are down, it can take up to 30 minutes for GlassFish Server to go down or up when you are using the default values in JMS. You can change the default values for this timeout. For example:

asadmin set domain1.jms-service.reconnect-interval-in-seconds=5

Using the Generic Resource Adapter for JMS to Integrate Supported External JMS Providers

GlassFish Server supports the integration and use of Oracle WebLogic JMS and IBM WebSphere MQ JMS providers through the use of the Generic Resource Adapter for JMS (GenericJMSRA), which is available as an Add-On in the Administration Console's Update Tool. This Java EE connector 1.5 resource adapter can wrap the JMS client library of Oracle WebLogic JMS and IBM WebSphere MQ and make it available for use by GlassFish. The adapter is a . rar archive that can be deployed and configured using GlassFish Server administration tools.

The following topics are addressed here:

- "Configuring GenericJMSRA for Supported External JMS Providers" on page 304
- "Using GenericJMSRA with WebLogic JMS" on page 311
- "Using GenericJMSRA with IBM WebSphere MQ" on page 324

Configuring GenericJMSRA for Supported External JMS Providers

GenericJMSRA has three main properties that need to be configured: SupportXA, DeliveryType, and ProviderIntegrationMode. The values that need to be set for them depends on the capabilities of the JMS provider being used, as follows:

- SupportXA indicates whether the JMS provider supports XA or not.
- DeliveryType indicates whether an MDB should use a ConnectionConsumer or Consumer.receive() when consuming messages.
- ProviderIntegrationMode indicates what mode of integration is required. The available integration modes are *jndi* and *javabean*. Some JMS providers support only one integration mode while others may offer the choice of both
 - If *jndi* is specified, then the resource adapter will obtain JMS connection factories and destinations from the JMS provider's JNDI repository.
 - If *javabean* is specified then the resource adapter will obtain JMS connection factories and destinations by instantiating the appropriate classes directly.

Which option is specified determines which other properties need to be set.

▼ To Deploy and Configure GenericJMSRA

Before deploying GenericJMSRA, JMS client libraries must be made available to GlassFish Server. For some JMS providers, client libraries might also include native libraries. In such cases, these native libraries must be made available to any GlassFish Server JVMs.

- 1 Download the genericra.rar archive as an Add-On in the Administration Console's Update Tool.
- 2 Deploy GenericJMSRA the same way you would deploy a connector module.

See "Deploying a Connector Module" in *GlassFish Server Open Source Edition 3.1 Application Deployment Guide*

3 Configure the resource adapter's properties.

See "GenericJMSRA Configuration Properties" on page 305.

4 Create a connector connection pool.

See "To Create a Connector Connection Pool" on page 245.

5 Create a connector resource.

See "To Create a Connector Resource" on page 248.

6 Create an administered object resource.

See "To Create an Administered Object" on page 260.

GenericJMSRA Configuration Properties

The following table describes the properties that can be set to when configuring the resource adapter.

Property Name	Valid Values	Default Value	Description
SupportsXA	true/false	false	Specifies whether the JMS client supports XA transactions.
DeliveryType	Synchronous/Asynchronous	Asynchronous	Specifies whether an MDB should use a ConnectionConsumer (Asynchronous) or consumer.receive() (Synchronous) when consuming messages.
QueueConnection FactoryClassName	A valid class name	None	Class name of javax.jms.QueueConnectionFactory implementation of the JMS client. This class must be made available on the application server classpath. Used if ProviderIntegrationMode is javabean.
TopicConnection FactoryClassName	A valid class name	None	Class name of javax.jms.TopicConnectionFactory implementation of the JMS client. This class must be made available on the application server classpath. Used if ProviderIntegrationMode is specified as javabean.
XAConnectionFactory ClassName	A valid class name	None	Class name of javax.jms.ConnectionFactory implementation of the JMS client. This class must be made available on the application server classpath. Used if ProviderIntegrationMode is specified as javabean.

Property Name	Valid Values	Default Value	Description
XAQueueConnection FactoryClassName	A valid class name	None	Class name of javax.jms. XAQueueConnectionFactory implementation of the JMS client. This class must be made available on the application server classpath. Used if ProviderIntegrationMode is specified as javabean.
XATopicConnection FactoryClassName	A valid class name	None	Class name of javax.jms. XATopicConnectionFactory implementation of the JMS client. This class must be made available on the application server classpath. Used if ProviderIntegrationMode is javabean.
TopicClassName	A valid class name	None	Class Name of javax.jms.Topic implementation of the JMS client. This class must be made available on the application server classpath. Used if ProviderIntegrationMode is javabean.
QueueClassName	A valid class name	None	Class Name of javax.jms.Queue implementation of the JMS client. This class must be made available on the application server classpath. Used if ProviderIntegrationMode is specified as a javabean.
ConnectionFactory Properties	Name value pairs separated by comma	None	Specifies the javabean property names and values of the ConnectionFactory of the JMS client. Required only if ProviderIntegrationMode is javabean.
JndiProperties	Name value pairs separated by comma	None	Specifies the JNDI provider properties to be used for connecting to the JMS provider's JNDI. Used only if ProviderIntegrationMode is jndi.

Property Name	Valid Values	Default Value	Description
CommonSetter MethodName	Method name	None	Specifies the common setter method name that some JMS vendors use to set the properties on their administered objects. Used only if ProviderIntegrationMode is javabean. For example, in the case of Message Queue, this would be setProperty.
UserName	Name of the JMS user	None	User name to connect to the JMS Provider.
Password	Password for the JMS user	None	Password to connect to the JMS provider.
RMPolicy	ProviderManaged or OnePerPhysicalConnection	Provider	The isSameRM method on an XAResource is used by the Transaction Manager to determine if the Resource Manager instance represented by two XAResources are the same. When RMPolicy is set to ProviderManaged (the default value), the JMS provider is responsible for determining the RMPolicy and the XAResource wrappers in GenericJMSRA merely delegate the isSameRM call to the JMS provider's XA resource implementations. This should ideally work for most JMS providers. Some XAResource implementations such as WebSphere MQ rely on a resource manager per physical connection and this causes issues when there is inbound and outbound communication to the same queue manager in a single transaction (for example, when an MDB sends a response to a destination). When RMPolicy is set to OnePerPhysicalConnection, the XAResource wrapper implementation's isSameRM in GenericJMSRA would check if both the XAResources use the same physical connection, before delegating to the wrapped objects.

Connection Factory Properties

ManagedConnectionFactory properties are specified when a connector-connection-pool is created. All the properties specified while creating the resource adapter can be overridden in a ManagedConnectionFactory. Additional properties available only in ManagedConnectionFactory are given below.

Property Name	Valid Value	Default Value	Description
ClientId	A valid client ID	None	ClientID as specified by JMS 1.1 specification.
ConnectionFactory JndiName	JNDI Name	None	JNDI name of the connection factory bound in the JNDI tree of the JMS provider. The administrator should provide all connection factory properties (except clientID) in the JMS provider itself. This property name will be used only if ProviderIntegratinMode is jndi.
ConnectionValidation Enabled	true/false	false	If set to true, the resource adapter will use an exception listener to catch any connection exception and will send a CONNECTION_ERROR_OCCURED event to application server.

Destination Properties

Properties in this section are specified when a destination (queue or topic) is created. All the resource adapter properties can be overridden in a destination. Additional properties available only in the destination are given below.

Property Name	Valid Value	Default Value	Description
DestinationJndiName	JNDI Name	None	JNDI name of the destination bound in the JNDI tree of the JMS provider. The Administrator should provide all properties in the JMS provider itself. This property name will be used only if ProviderIntegrationMode is jndi.
DestinationProperties	Name value pairs separated by a comma	None	Specifies the javabean property names and values of the destination of the JMS client. Required only if ProviderIntegrationMode is javabean.

Activation Spec Properties

Properties in this section are specified in the GlassFish Server glassfish-ejb-jar.xml deployment descriptor of an MDB as activation-config-properties. All the resource adapter properties can be overridden in an Activation Spec. Additional properties available only in ActivationSpec are given below.

Property Name	Valid Value	Default Value	Description
MaxPoolSize	An integer	8	Maximum size of server session pool internally created by the resource adapter for achieving concurrent message delivery. This should be equal to the maximum pool size of MDB objects.
MaxWaitTime	An integer	3	The resource adapter will wait for the time in seconds specified by this property to obtain a server session from its internal pool. If this limit is exceeded, message delivery will fail.
Subscription Durability	Durable or Non-Durable	Non-Durable	SubscriptionDurability as specified by JMS 1.1 specification.
SubscriptionName		None	SubscriptionName as specified by JMS 1.1 specification.
MessageSelector	A valid message selector	None	MessageSelector as specified by JMS 1.1 specification.
ClientID	A valid client ID	None	ClientID as specified by JMS 1.1 specification.
ConnectionFactory JndiName	A valid JNDI Name	None	JNDI name of connection factory created in JMS provider. This connection factory will be used by resource adapter to create a connection to receive messages. Used only if ProviderIntegrationMode is configured as jndi.
DestinationJndiName	A valid JNDI Name	None	JNDI name of destination created in JMS provider. This destination will be used by resource adapter to create a connection to receive messages from. Used only if ProviderIntegrationMode is configured as jndi.

Property Name	Valid Value	Default Value	Description
DestinationType	<pre>javax.jms.Queue or javax.jms.Topic</pre>	Null	Type of the destination the MDB will listen to.
Destination Properties	Name-value pairs separated by comma	None	Specifies the javabean property names and values of the destination of the JMS client. Required only if ProviderIntegrationMode is javabean.
RedeliveryAttempts	integer		Number of times a message will be delivered if a message causes a runtime exception in the MDB.
RedeliveryInterval	time in seconds		Interval between repeated deliveries, if a message causes a runtime exception in the MDB.
SendBadMessages ToDMD	true/false	False	Indicates whether the resource adapter should send the messages to a dead message destination, if the number of delivery attempts is exceeded.
DeadMessage Destination JndiName	a valid JNDI name.	None	JNDI name of the destination created in the JMS provider. This is the target destination for dead messages. This is used only if ProviderIntegrationMode is jndi.
DeadMessage Destination ClassName	class name of destination object.	None	Used if ProviderIntegrationMode is javabean.
DeadMessage Destination Properties	Name Value Pairs separated by comma	None	Specifies the javabean property names and values of the destination of the JMS client. This is required only if ProviderIntegrationMode is javabean.
DeadMessageConnection FactoryJndiName	a valid JNDI name	None	JNDI name of the connection factory created in the JMS provider. This is the target connection factory for dead messages. This is used only if ProviderIntegrationMode is jndi.
DeadMessage DestinationType	queue or topic destination	None	The destination type for dead messages.

Property Name	Valid Value	Default Value	Description
ReconnectAttempts	integer	0	Number of times a reconnect will be attempted in case exception listener catches an error on connection.
ReconnectInterval	time in seconds	0	Interval between reconnects.

Using GenericJMSRA with WebLogic JMS

You can configure GenericJMSRA to enable applications running in GlassFish Server to send messages to, and receive messages from, Oracle WebLogic JMS.

Due to the nature of the WebLogic Server Thin T3 Client that is supported for this purpose, messages exchanged between GlassFish Server and WebLogic Server cannot contain XA transactions, nor can they be consumed asynchronously, as described in detail in "Limitations When Using GenericJMSRA with WebLogic JMS" on page 318.

The following topics are addressed here:

- "Deploy the WebLogic Thin T3 Client JAR in GlassFish Server" on page 311
- "Configure WebLogic JMS Resources for Integration" on page 312
- "Create a Resource Adapter Configuration for GenericJMSRA to Work With WebLogic JMS" on page 312
- "Deploy the GenericJMSRA Resource Archive" on page 313
- "Configuring an MDB to Receive Messages from WebLogic JMS" on page 314
- "Accessing Connections and Destinations Directly" on page 315
- "Limitations When Using GenericJMSRA with WebLogic JMS" on page 318
- "Configuration Reference of GenericJMSRA Properties for WebLogic JMS" on page 320

Deploy the WebLogic Thin T3 Client JAR in GlassFish Server

WebLogic Server provides several different clients for use by stand-alone applications that run outside of WebLogic Server. These client are summarized in Overview of Stand-alone Clients in *Programming Stand-alone Clients for Oracle WebLogic Server*. When connecting from GlassFish Server to WebLogic JMS resources you must use the WebLogic Thin T3 client, wlthint3client.jar.

There are a couple of methods to deploy the WebLogic Thin T3 client in GlassFish Server and make it available to GenericJMSRA:

■ To make the Thin T3 client available to all applications, copy the wlthint3client.jar to the *as-install*/lib directory under your GlassFish Server installation. The Thin T3 client can be found in a WebLogic Server installation in a directory similar to *MW_HOME*/server/lib.

It is also possible to deploy the Thin T3 client in a less global manner, so that it is specific to an individual application. For information on how to do this, see "Application-Specific Class Loading" in GlassFish Server Open Source Edition 3.1 Application Development Guide.

Configure WebLogic JMS Resources for Integration

If you need to configure the necessary WebLogic JMS resources on the WebLogic Server from which you want to access messages using GlassFish Server, then follow the instructions in the WebLogic Server documentation for configuring the necessary resources, such as destinations, and connection factories.

- JMS System Module Configuration
- Queue and Topic Destination Configuration
- Connection Factory Configuration

The example code snippets in this section refer to a WebLogic JMS connection factory named WLoutboundQueueFactory and queue destination named WLoutboundQueue. For conceptual overviews on configuring WebLogic JMS resources, refer to Understanding JMS Resource Configuration in Configuring and Managing JMS for Oracle WebLogic Server. For detailed instructions on configuring WebLogic JMS resources, refer to Configure JMS system modules and add JMS resources in the WebLogic Administration Console Online Help.

Create a Resource Adapter Configuration for GenericJMSRA to Work With WebLogic JMS

When you deploy GenericJMSRA, you also need to create a resource adapter configuration in GlassFish Server. You can do this using either the Administration Console or the asadmin command. If you use the Administration Console then you need deploy the GenericJMSRA resource archive first. Here's an example using asadmin:

```
asadmin create-resource-adapter-config --host localhost --port 4848
--property SupportsXA=false:DeliveryType=Synchronous:ProviderIntegrationMode
=jndi:JndiProperties=java.naming.factory.initial\
=weblogic.jndi.WLInitialContextFactory,java.naming.provider.url\
=t3\://localhost\:7001,java.naming.factory.url.pkgs\
=weblogic.corba.client.naming genericra
```

This creates a resource adapter configuration with the name genericra, and Oracle recommends not changing the default name. The resource adapter configuration is configured with the properties specified using the --properties argument; multiple properties are configured as a colon-separated list of name-value pairs that are entered as a single line. You will also need to change the host and port that WebLogic Server is running on to suit your installation.

In this example, the following properties are configured:

Property	Value
SupportsXA	false
DeliveryType	Synchronous
ProviderIntegration Mode	jndi
JndiProperties	<pre>java.naming.factory.initial =weblogic.jndi.WLInitialContextFactory,java.naming.provider.url =t3://localhost:7001,java.naming.factory.url.pkgs =weblogic.corba.client.naming (replace "localhost:7001" with the host:port of WebLogic Server)</pre>

You must use the same values for SupportsXA, DeliveryType and ProviderIntegrationMode as the required values that are used in this table. The JndiProperties value must be set to a list of JNDI properties needed for connecting to WebLogic JNDI.

Note – When using asadmin you need to escape each = and any : characters by prepending a backward slash \. The escape sequence is not necessary if the configuration is performed through the Administration Console.

For a description of all the resource adapter properties that are relevant for WebLogic JMS, see the "Configuration Reference of Generic JMSRA Properties for WebLogic JMS" on page 320.

Deploy the GenericJMSRA Resource Archive

The supported version of the GenericJMSRA resource archive is available as an Add-On in the Administration Console's Update Tool.

- 1 Download the GenericJMSRA resource archive (genericra.rar) using the Administration Console's Update Tool.
- 2 Deploy the resource adapter. You can do this using either the Administration Console or the asadmin deploy command. Here's an example using the asadmin deploy command:

If you deploy the resource adapter using the Administration Console, then after deployment you need to create a resource adapter configuration as described in "Create a Resource Adapter Configuration for GenericJMSRA to Work With WebLogic JMS" on page 312.

Configuring an MDB to Receive Messages from WebLogic JMS

In this example, all configuration information is defined in two deployment descriptor files: ejb-jar.xml and the GlassFish Server glassfish-ejb-jar.xml file. To configure a MDB to receive messages from WebLogic JMS, you would configure these deployment descriptor files as follows:

1 Configure the ejb-jar.xml deployment descriptor:

```
<eib-iar>
  <enterprise-beans>
   <message-driven>
      <ejb-name>SimpleMessageEJB</ejb-name>
      <ejb-class>test.simple.queue.ejb.SimpleMessageBean</ejb-class>
      <transaction-type>Container</transaction-type>
    </message-driven>
  </enterprise-beans>
  <assembly-descriptor>
    <container-transaction>
        <ejb-name>SimpleMessageEJB</ejb-name>
        <method-name>onMessage</method-name>
        <method-params>
          <method-param>javax.jms.Message</method-param>
        </method-params>
      </method>
      <trans-attribute>NotSupported/trans-attribute>
    </container-transaction>
  </assembly-descriptor>
</ejb-jar>
```

Note – If container-managed transactions are configured, then the transactional attribute must be set to NotSupported. For more information, see "Limitations When Using GenericJMSRA with WebLogic JMS" on page 318.

2 Configure the glassfish-ejb-jar.xml deployment descriptor:

```
<sun-ejb-jar>
  <enterprise-beans>
    <eib>
      <ejb-name>SimpleMessageEJB</ejb-name>
      <mdb-resource-adapter>
        <resource-adapter-mid>genericra</resource-adapter-mid>
        <activation-config>
          <activation-config-property>
            <activation-config-property-name>
              ConnectionFactoryJndiName
            </activation-config-property-name>
            <activation-config-property-value>
              jms/WLInboundQueueFactory
            </activation-config-property-value>
          </activation-config-property>
          <activation-config-property>
            <activation-config-property-name>
              DestinationJndiName
```

The <resource-adapter-mid>genericra</resource-adapter-mid> element is used to specify the resource adapter and resource adapter configurations that was deployed in the "Create a Resource Adapter Configuration for GenericJMSRA to Work With WebLogic JMS" on page 312 instructions. It is recommended you stick to genericra as is used here.

The activation-config element in glassfish-ejb-jar.xml is the one which defines how and where the MDB receives messages, as follows:

- The ConnectionFactoryJndiName property must be set to the JNDI name of the connection factory in the WebLogic JNDI store that will be used to receive messages. Therefore, replace jms/WLInboundQueueFactory in the example above with the JNDI name used in your environment.
- The DestinationJndiName property must be set to the JNDI name of the destination (the queue or topic from which messages will be consumed) in the WebLogic JNDI store.
 Therefore, replace jms/WLInboundQueue in the example above with the JNDI name used in your environment.

For a description of all the ActivationSpec properties that are relevant for WebLogic JMS, see the "Configuration Reference of GenericJMSRA Properties for WebLogic JMS" on page 320.

Make sure to use the appropriate WebLogic administration tools, such as the WebLogic Administration Console or the WebLogic Scripting Tool (WLST). For more information, see Configure Messaging in the WebLogic Server Administration Console Online Help and the WebLogic Server WLST Online and Offline Command Reference.

Accessing Connections and Destinations Directly

When configuring a MDB to consume messages from WebLogic JMS your code does not need to access the WebLogic JMS connection factory and destination directly. You simply define them in the activation configuration, as shown in "Configuring an MDB to Receive Messages from WebLogic JMS" on page 314. However when configuring an MDB to send messages, or when configuring a EJB, Servlet, or application client to either send or receive messages, your code needs to obtain these objects using a JNDI lookup.

Note – If you want configure connections and destination resources using the Administration Console, this is explained in the Administration Console online help. When using Administration Console, follow the instructions for creating a new Connector Connection Pool and Admin Object Resources, and not the instructions for creating a JMS Connection Pool and Destination Resources. For more information about using asadmin to create these resources, see "To Create a Connector Connection Pool" on page 245 and "To Create a Connector Resource" on page 248.

1 Looking up the connection factory and destination

The following code looks up a connection factory with the JNDI name jms/QCFactory and a queue with the namejms/outboundQueue from the GlassFish Server JNDI store:

```
Context initialContect = new InitialContext();
QueueConnectionFactory queueConnectionFactory = (QueueConnectionFactory)
     jndiContext.lookup("java:comp/env/jms/MyQCFactory");
Queue queue = (Queue) jndiContext.lookup("java:comp/env/jms/outboundQueue");
```

Note that the resources used are GlassFish Server resources, not WebLogic JMS resources. For every connection factory or destination that you want to use in the WebLogic JMS JNDI store, you need to create a corresponding connection factory or destination in the GlassFish Server JNDI store and configure the GlassFish Server object to point to the corresponding WebLogic JMS object.

2 Declaring the connection factory and destination

In accordance with standard Java EE requirements, these resources need to be declared in the deployment descriptor for the MDB, EJB or other component. For example, for a session bean, configure the ejb-jar.xml with <resource-env-ref> elements, as follows:

3 Create a Connector Connection Pool and Connector Resource by entering the following asadmin commands, both all in one line:

In order to configure a JMS Connection Factory using GenericJMSRA, a Connector connection pool and resource need to be created in GlassFish Server using names that map to the corresponding connection factory in the WebLogic JNDI store.

```
asadmin create-connector-connection-pool --host localhost --port 4848
--raname genericra --connectiondefinition javax.jms.QueueConnectionFactory
--target server --transactionsupport LocalTransaction
```

--property ConnectionFactoryJndiName=jms/WLOutboundQueueFactory
 qcpool

```
asadmin create-connector-resource --host localhost --port 4848 --poolname qcpool --target server jms/QCFactory
```

These asadmin commands together creates a connection factory in GlassFish Server and its corresponding connection pool.

- The connection pool has the JNDI name jms/WLoutboundQueueFactory and obtains connections from a connection pool named qcpool.
- The connection pool qcpool uses the resource adapter generic and contains objects of type javax.jms.QueueConnectionFactory.
- The transactionsupport argument is set to LocalTransaction, which specifies that the connection will be used in local transactions only. You can also specify NoTransaction. However, the default setting of XATransaction cannot be used. For more information, see "Limitations When Using GenericJMSRA with WebLogic JMS" on page 318.
- The connection pool is configured with the properties specified using the properties argument; multiple properties are configured as a colon-separated list of name-value pairs. Only one property is configured in this example, as follows:

```
ConnectionFactoryJndiName=jms/WLOutboundQueueFactory
```

The ConnectionFactoryJndiName property *must* be set to the JNDI name of the corresponding connection factory in the WebLogic JMS JNDI store. Therefore, replace jms/WLOutboundQueueFactory in the example above with the JNDI name used in your environment.

- For a description of the ManagedConnectionFactory properties that are relevant for WebLogic JMS, see the "Configuration Reference of GenericJMSRA Properties for WebLogic JMS" on page 320.
- 4 Create a destination object that refers to a corresponding WebLogic JMS destination by entering the following asadmin command, all in one line:

```
asadmin create-admin-object --host localhost --port 4848 --target server --restype javax.jms.Queue --property DestinationJndiName=jms/WLOutboundQueue --raname genericra jms/outboundQueue
```

This asadmin command creates a destination in GlassFish Server.

- The destination has the JNDI name jms/outboundQueue, uses the resource adapter genericra, and is of type javax.jms.Queue.
- The destination is configured with the properties specified using the properties argument; multiple properties are configured as a colon-separated list of name-value pairs. Only one property is configured in this example, as follows:

DestinationJndiName=jms/WLOutboundQueue

The Destination IndiName property *must* be set to the JNDI name of the corresponding destination in the WebLogic JMS JNDI store. Therefore, replace jms/WLOutboundQueue in the example above with the JNDI name used in your environment.

• For a description of the destination properties that are relevant for WebLogic JMS, see the "Configuration Reference of Generic JMSRA Properties for WebLogic JMS" on page 320.

Limitations When Using GenericJMSRA with WebLogic JMS

Due to the nature of the WebLogic T3 Thin Client there are a number of limitations in the way in which it can be used with Generic JMSRA.

No Support for XA Transactions

WebLogic JMS does not support the optional JMS "Chapter 8" interfaces for XA transactions in a form suitable for use outside of WebLogic Server. Therefore, the Generic JMSRA configuration must have the Supports XA property set to -false. This has a number of implications for the way in which applications may be used, as described in this section.

Using a MDB to Receive Messages: Container-managed Transactions (CMT)

- If container-managed transactions are used, the transactional attribute of a MDB should be set to NotSupported. No transaction will be started. Messages will be received in a non-transacted session with an acknowledgeMode of AUTO ACKNOWLEDGE.
- A transactional Required attribute should not be used; otherwise, MDB activation will fail with an exception: javax.resource.ResourceException: MDB is configured to use container managed transaction. But SupportsXA is configured to false in the resource adapter.

The remaining transactional attributes are normally considered inappropriate for use with a MDB. If used, the following behavior will occur:

- If the transactional attribute is RequiresNew, then MDB activation will fail with an exception: javax.resource.ResourceException: MDB is configured to use container managed transaction But SupportsXA is configured to false in the resource adapter.
- If the transactional attribute is Mandatory, the MDB can be activated but a TransactionRequiredException (or similar) will always be thrown by the server.
- If the transactional attribute is Supports, then no transaction will be started and the MDB will work as if NotSupported had been used.
- If the transactional attribute is Never, then no transaction will be started and the MDB will work as if NotSupported had been used.

Using a MDB to Receive Messages: Bean-managed Transactions (BMT)

 If bean-managed transactions are configured in accordance with the EJB specification any UserTransaction started by the bean will have no effect on the consumption of messages. Messages will be received in a non-transacted session with an acknowledgeMode of AUTO ACKNOWLEDGE.

Accessing Connections and Destinations Directly - Container-managed Transactions (CMT)

When accessing connections directly (such as when sending messages from a MDB or an EJB) and container-managed transactions are being used, the connection pool's transaction-support property should be set to either LocalTransaction or NoTransaction. If the default value of XATransaction is used, an exception will be thrown at runtime when createConnection() is called. This is the case irrespective of the transactional attribute of the MDB or EJB. Note that MDBs must have their transactional attribute set to NotSupported as specified above; whereas, an EJB can use any transactional attribute.

If there is no transaction in progress within the bean method (for example, notSupported is being used) then it does not make any difference whether the connection pool's transaction-support property is set to LocalTransaction or NoTransaction; the transactional behavior will be determined by the arguments to createSession(). If you want the outbound message to be sent without a transaction, call createSession(false, ...). If you want the outbound message to be sent in a local transaction call createSession(true, Session.SESSION_TRANSACTED), remembering to call session.commit() or session.rollback() after the message is sent.

If there is a transaction in progress within the bean method (which will only be possible for EJBs), then setting the connection pool's transaction-support property to LocalTransaction or NoTransaction gives different results:

- If it is set to NoTransaction then a non-transacted session will be used.
- If it is set to LocalTransaction then a (local, non-XA) transacted session will be used, which will be committed or rolled back when the UserTransaction is committed or rolled back. In this case, calling session.commit() or session.rollback() will cause an exception.

No Support for Redelivery Limits and Dead Message Queue

Due to the lack of XA support when using WebLogic JMS, there is no support for GenericJMSRA's dead message queue feature, in which a message that has been redelivered to a MDB a defined number of times is sent to a dead message queue.

Limited Support for Asynchronous Receipt of Messages In a MDB

WebLogic JMS does not support the optional JMS "Chapter 8" interfaces for "Concurrent Processing of a Subscription's Messages" (that is, ServerSession, ServerSessionPool and ConnectionConsumer) in a form suitable for use outside of WebLogic Server. Therefore, the generic JMSRA configuration must set the property DeliveryType to Synchronous.

This affects the way in which MDBs consume messages from a queue or topic as follows:

- When messages are being received from a queue, each MDB instance will have its own session and consumer, and it will consume messages by repeatedly calling receive(timeout). This allows the use of a pool of MDBs to process messages from the queue.
- When messages are being received from a topic, only one MDB instance will be used irrespective of the configured pool size. This means that a pool of multiple MDBs cannot be used to share the load of processing messages, which may reduce the rate at which messages can be received and processed.

This restriction is a consequence of the semantics of synchronously consuming messages from topics in JMS: In the case of non-durable topic subscriptions, each consumer receives a copy of all the messages on the topic, so using multiple consumers would result in multiple copies of each message being received rather than allowing the load to be shared among the multiple MDBs. In the case of durable topic subscriptions, only one active consumer is allowed to exist at a time.

Configuration Reference of GenericJMSRA Properties for WebLogic JMS

The tables in this section list the properties that need to be set to configure the resource adapter and any activation specs, managed connections, and other administered objects that are relevant only when using GenericJMSRA to communicate with WebLogic JMS. For a complete list of properties, see the comprehensive table in "GenericJMSRA Configuration Properties" on page 305

Resource Adapter Properties

These properties are used to configure the resource adapter itself when it is deployed, and can be specified using the create-resource-adapter-config command.

Property Name	Required Value	Description
SupportsXA	false	Specifies whether the JMS client supports XA transactions. Set to false for WebLogic JMS.
DeliveryType	Synchronous	Specifies whether an MDB should use a ConnectionConsumer (Asynchronous) or consumer.receive() (Synchronous) when consuming messages. Set to Synchronous for WebLogic JMS.

Property Name	Required Value	Description
ProviderIntegration Mode	jndi	Specifies that connection factories and destinations in GlassFish's JNDI store are configured to refer to connection factories and destinations in WebLogic's JNDI store. Set to jndi for WebLogic JMS.
JndiProperties	<pre>java.naming.factory.initial =weblogic.jndi.WLInitialContextFactory, java.naming.provider.url =t3://localhost:7001,java.naming.factory.ur =weblogic.corba.client.naming (replace localhost:7001 with the host:port of WebLogic Server)</pre>	JNDI properties for connect to WebLogic JNDI, specified as comma-separated list of Inankas-value pairs without spaces.
UserName	Name of the WebLogic JMS user	User name to connect to WebLogic JMS. The user name can be overridden in ActivationSpec and ManagedConnection. If no user name is specified anonymous connections will be used, if permitted.
Password	Password for the WebLogic JMS user	Password to connect to WebLogic JMS. The password can be overridden in ActivationSpec and ManagedConnection.
LogLevel	Desired log level of JDK logger	Used to specify the level of logging.

Connection Factory Properties

ManagedConnectionFactory objects are created in the GlassFish Server JNDI store using the Administration Console or the asadmin connector-connection-pool command. All the properties that can be set on a resource adapter configuration can be overridden by setting them on a destination object. The properties specific to ManagedConnectionFactory objects are listed in the following table.

Property Name	Valid Value	Default Value	Description
ClientId	A valid client ID	None	ClientID as specified by JMS 1.1 specification.
ConnectionFactory JndiName	A valid JNDI Name	None	JNDI name of connection factory in the GlassFish Server JNDI store. This connection factory should be configured to refer to the physical connection factory in the WebLogic JNDI store.
ConnectionValidation Enabled	true or false	FALSE	If set to true, the resource adapter will use an exception listener to catch any connection exception and will send a CONNECTION_ERROR_OCCURED event to GlassFish Server.

Destination Properties

Destination (queue or topic) objects are created in the GlassFish Server JNDI store using the Administration Console or the asadmin connector-admin-object command. All the properties that can be set on a resource adapter configuration can be overridden by setting them on a destination object. The properties specific to destination objects are listed in the following table.

Property Name	Valid Value	Default Value	Description
DestinationJndiName	A valid JNDI name	None	JNDI name of the destination object in the GlassFish Server JNDI store. This destination object should be configured to refer to the corresponding physical destination in the WebLogic JNDI store.

ActivationSpec Properties

An ActivationSpec is a set of properties that configures a MDB. It is defined either in the MDB's GlassFish Server deployment descriptor glassfish-ejb-jar.xml using activation-config-property elements or in the MDB itself using annotation. All the resource adapter properties listed in the table above can be overridden in an ActivationSpec. Additional properties available only to a ActivationSpec are given below.

Property Name	Valid Value	Default Value	Description
MaxPoolSize	An integer	8	Maximum size of server session pool internally created by the resource adapter for achieving concurrent message delivery. This should be equal to the maximum pool size of MDB objects.
			Only used for queues; ignored for topics, when a value of 1 is always used.
Subscription Durability	Durable or Non-Durable	Non-Durable	Only used for topics. Specifies whether the subscription is durable or non-durable.
SubscriptionName		None	Only used for topics when SubscriptionDurability is Durable. Specifies the name of the durable subscription.
MessageSelector	A valid message selector	None	JMS message selector.
ClientID	A valid client ID	None	JMS ClientID.
ConnectionFactory JndiName	A valid JNDI Name	None	JNDI name of connection factory in the GlassFish Server JNDI store. This connection factory should be configured to refer to the physical connection factory in the WebLogic JNDI store.
DestinationJndiName	A valid JNDI Name	None	JNDI name of destination in the GlassFish Server JNDI store. This destination should be configured to refer to the physical destination in the WebLogic JNDI store.
DestinationType	javax.jms.Queue or javax.jms.Topic	Null	Specifies whether the configured DestinationJndiName refers to a queue or topic.
ReconnectAttempts	integer	0	Number of times a reconnect will be attempted in case exception listener catches an error on connection.
ReconnectInterval	time in seconds	0	Interval between reconnection attempts.