Coldfusion Abandoned in Favor of Client Side Tools (Film at 11:00)

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The Coldfusion Developers Journal (CFDJ) is being discontinued by sys-con. You can read about it here. If you look closely it appears that the tech-savvy editors of the former CFDJ have determined (no doubt through research and careful analysis) that Coldfusion developers are fleeing to Ajax, Flex and Silverlight. Quoting the erstwhile Engin Sezci, "We have seen a rapid trend and move from ColdFusion to other emerging rich web technologies such as AJAX, Flex, and Silverlight.".

I was surprised to learn that developers mostly concerned with server side technologies are trading in their work boots for tasseled loafers and moving to the client side. One wonders if the editors of the former CFDJ have ever even seen a live Coldfusion application. I suspect Mr. Sezci is an offshore outsource editor. Certainly if they are paying him more than 5.00 an hour they are getting ripped off. Coldfusion is from Mars and Ajax is from Venus (Flex is from sentari 5 - an advanced technological planet). If anything, with the tight integration of Flex and Ajax - CF is more entrenched than ever as the server side component.

Perhaps the best quote of the day came from the inestimable Dave Watts on the BACFUG mailing list. "In a similar vein," wrote Dave, "I've decided to abandon bicycles in favor of oranges."