

Key Considerations for Mainframe Data Integration



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PART I: Information on demand and data delivery

- Delivering Information
 - Data-centric Integration Patterns
 - Sample Implementations
 - The Role of Replication
- Information in a Service Oriented Application (SOA) Environment
- Next Generation Data Warehousing

PART II: The IBM Information Server

- The demand for Information Integration
- A platform approach
- Technology
- Information Server for System z
- Wrap-Up: Where do you go from here?



Data Delivery & Integration Landscape

- Process &/or Information
 - EAI "primarily" focuses on application assets
 ...secondarily on data assets
 - ETL differentiates on transformation
 - Replication focuses on synchronization
 - Federation is standardized data access
 - Changed-data-capture is an enabler
- Emphasis is on complementary uses
 - Incremental, real-time data warehousing
 - ETL fed by changed-data-capture
 - Empower information reuse, flexibility
 - SOA-based data access
 - Information-driven enterprise integration
 - Published "data events" drive EAI
 - Guaranteed high volume deliver
 - Replication to synchronize copies





Mission Critical "z" Data Can Be Difficult Over 60% of operational data is sourced from System z



Why is system z data delivery an issue?

- Proprietary databases multiple, complex APIs
- Billions of lines of mainframe code must leverage
- Integration with data warehousing and SOA not "native"

What are you doing to meet these challenges?

- Hand-coding COBOL/PLI programs for every data need
 - Bottleneck for new initiatives ... slows everything down
 - Dependence on unique skills ... proprietary API experts
- The One-Size-Fits-All Approaches:
 - Integrate the transactions ... this can be:
 - overly complex
 - maintenance intensive due to hard wired integration
 - ill suited to the functional demands of new workloads
 - A unique "copy" for every requirement... this can lead to:
 - Latency errors
 - Synchronization challenges
 - Quality issues



The Information-Centric Delivery Patterns

Virtualize



Seamlessly integrate with:

- e-commerce
- Self service
- SOA

Move



Proactively deliver data to:

- Drive integration
- Enable change only updating to:
 - Reduce batch window dependencies
 - Reduce data latency



- Data Warehousing

- Operational Data Stores

for:

- MDM

- CDI

Synchronize



Repackage & repurpose Create & synchronize copies I for:

- Distributed operations
- High availability data
- Local high performance copies
- DBMS migrations



Choosing an Integration Pattern A multi-dimensional self service environment

Insurance carrier wants to reduce costs and improve customer and agent satisfaction by implementing self-service environments...BOTH Interactive-voice-response and Web sites

- Initial Environment
 - Call center representatives take calls from agents who interface with clients
 - Mainframe systems consisting of over 1,000 transactions handle:
 - Accounting, Policy management, Claims and more
 - Technology is
 - IMS transactions
 - IMS, VSAM and DB2 data
 - Very complex after decades of application evolution
- Requirements
 - Minimal disruption on existing call-center
 - Staged implementations showing value every 3 6 months
 - Performance and accuracy are essential to credibility
 - Unskilled users (agents and customers) mandate an easy-to-use interface





A Multi-Dimensional Self-Service Environment EAI and ETL are traditional choices

Complexity and volume made them too costly and too time consuming

Copy the data to Oracle

Connect through transactions....

\$2M for hardware and software 10,000 man hours per system with little reusability

Doctor

Solaris z/OS Self Service Policy Claims Web Management Sites Agent Billing COBOL DB2 Extract IVR **Applications** IMS



A Multi-Dimensional Self-Service Environment Federation delivered in a fraction of the time and cost

Provide up-to-the-minute policy, claims and accounting information

- Connect interactive voice response (IVR) system to IMS, VSAM & DB2...
 - \$250K versus \$2M
- Connect operational data with self-service Web sites...
 - 200 man-hours versus 10,000
- No disruption to operational systems with minimal overhead in OLTP environment



Choosing an Integration Pattern You may need more than one

Catalog retailer is building an e-commerce site

- Initial Environment
 - Call center representatives take orders
 - Mainframe order-processing system used by call center reps
 - CICS transactions
 - CA-IDMS data
 - Highly-optimized for use by skilled employees
- Requirements
 - Minimal disruption on existing call-center order processing
 - Must support "shopping", not just order taking
 - E-commerce site must be optimized for unskilled customer usage
 - Performance and accuracy are essential to business continuity and reputation



"Best" solution may leverage multiple patterns ETL, Federation and EAI

- **ETL**: merge operational product data with image content

- Product information is copied to "local" RDBMS for performance
- · Changes are infrequent and can be scheduled
- Value-add image data added as part of the data transformation
- Federation: critical "real time" data is dynamically accessed
 - There can only be one version of the "truth" for inventory
- EAI: critical processes are shared
 - Leverage the CICS transactions for pricing, ship-to-date, etc



Choosing an Integration Pattern

Federation & Event Publishing as enabling technologies

Global distributor wants to implement a Web e-commerce environment, reduce inventory costs and improve decision making

- Initial Environment
 - Two mainframe-centric transaction processing centers
 - Ensures 24 by 7 operations for their Global business
 - Technology environments
 - Mainframe CICS environment servicing ~50 million transactions/week
 - IMS databases hold most of their data
- Requirements
 - Implement their Next-Gen transaction platform on WebSphere
 - Staying with z/OS & IMS data for performance, reliability and security
 - Improve interfaces with their suppliers
 - · Implement "real time" interfaces for a just-in-time inventory environment
 - Leverage reduced cost of an "off shore" data center for non-transactional workloads
 - Implement an ODS to support business reporting and decision processing



Federation & Event Publishing Behind ... Transaction processing, ETL and EAI

- Federation enables Web-based applications
 - Java-based access to IMS data with transactional performance
 - Changes delivered to India data center's ODS via ETL
 - Continuous, 24 by 7 delivery:
 - Ensure up-to-the-second data is available
 - Eliminate dependence on batch cycle
 - Steady, predictable usage of communication resources
- Changes delivered to Partner Gateway (EAI)
 - Enables Just-in-Time inventory management



Choosing a Data Movement Solution Replication or ETL?

Financial Services firm requires 24 by 7 operational environment for financial trading applications

- Starting Environment
 - Two mainframe-centric data centers approximately 1,500 miles apart
 - HADR environment close to primary data center
 - Technology environments
 - Mainframe CICS environment servicing 1,000s of transactions per second
 - DB2 databases hold most of their data
- Requirements
 - Provide secondary operational platform for rapid switch-over
 - Improve TCO profile by leveraging secondary platform for "real" work

Replication is "best" because:

- Low latency is critical
- No transformations are required
- Easy to switch source & target during a failure





On-line Trading Environment High Availability Replication



- Replication synchronizes data between the primary & secondary platforms
 - 5-10 million transactions daily replicated to 2ndary platform w/ <1 second delay
 - All query processing routed to 2ndary platform to improve primary throughput
- On primary system failure:
 - Secondary system becomes primary
- On primary recovery:
 - Secondary system replicates to primary until "caught up"
 - Trading users redirected back to primary



Choosing a Data Movement Solution Replication or ETL?

Rapidly expanding retailer wants to push price changes from central system to hundreds of stores to improve accuracy and competitive position

- Starting Environment
 - Headquarters mainframe data center with DB2 pricing data
 - Store inventories and departments vary ... not all prices apply to every store
 - Communications bandwidth varies from 256k to 1Meg
- Requirements
 - Push price changes out as needed to rapidly react to changing demand
 - Ensure independence of each store's updates
 - Anticipate need to return some data back to HQ

Replication is "best" because:

- Automatic recovery with guaranteed delivery
- Minimal transformations are required
- Bidirectional capabilities inherent in Replication



Rapid, Reliable Data Distribution Leveraging Multi-faceted Replication



- Customer Pain points
 - Hundreds of thousands of products, with variations from store to store demands automation
 - Guaranteed delivery is essential ... customer satisfaction requires consistency
 - Adding hundreds more stores in next few years
- Value Proposition
 - Capture & guaranteed delivery of "pricing updates"
 - Each store: (1) receives only what it needs (2) is fully recoverable (3) is independently updated
 - Flexible targeting enables changes
 - Enables store-to-HQ replication as needed



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Information On Demand and SOA Two sides of the same coin...

SOA provides business flexibility

IOD provides the trusted information needed by your services



"You will waste your investment in SOA unless you have enterprise information that SOA can exploit."

– Gartner Research



SOA – Data Service Providers





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Service-Enabling Mainframe Data Case Study – Finance, Regulatory Compliance

Challenges:

- Improve risk management across all member institutions
- Meet Basel II compliance deadline
- Access information:
 - in 23 different retail systems
 - from over 2500 branch offices

Solution:

WebSphere Information Integration Platform providing single point access and control of risk-bearing information across many different mainframe systems in different technologies and formats.

Result:

- Enhanced risk management and increased efficiency of data collection for Base II required data
- Ability to view data in operational systems spread across the enterprise including third party information without disrupting retail system



Service-Enabling Heterogeneous Data Finance: Regulatory Compliance

Risk measurement application

Web Service



Solution – Basel II Exception Monitoring

- ETL packaged as a service provides a single point for access and control of risk-bearing information
- Spans many different mainframe systems
- Federation combines data stored in different technologies & formats



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SOA – Advanced Service Providers





Service-Enabling Mainframe Data

Case Study – US Manufacturer of Recreational Equipment

Challenges:

- Complex inventory environment is dependent on Japanese parent for parts
 on-the-boat, in-port, held-in-port, in-US-warehouse, ...
- Manual review of reports needed to provide single view of inventory to Finance, Manufacturing, Sales, etc. --- can take up to 3 weeks!
- Maintaining excessive inventory (high cost)
- Missing product delivery dates (lost revenue)

Solution:

- 1. Surface inventory "delays" as services
- 2. Inventory services feed downstream systems (Finance, SCM, ...)
- 3. Monitoring applications leverage services

Result:

- Reduced inventory overhead
- More efficient use of inventory, accelerating delivery of customer orders
- Consistent, accurate, up-to-date view of inventory for Finance
- Eliminated manual reconciliation reduced manpower





Service-Enabling Mainframe Data

Case Study – Insurance

Challenges:

- Chronic shortfalls in productivity and customer satisfaction targets
 - Difficult, if not impossible to get correct customer-level information
 - Detailed information available at contract level only
 - Frequent conflicting information at group level
 - Major cause of billing errors and disputes

Solution:

- 1. Best-of-breed data attributes identified and surfaced via Services
- 2. Information silos communicate with new "enterprise" applications
- 3. Complexity of IT environment is "hidden" from business users

Result:

- Enterprise service applications quickly delivered without disrupting existing functional "silo" environments
- Up-to-date information reducing errors, disputes and improving service levels
- Productivity and customer satisfaction steadily improving





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Managing the Dynamic Data Warehouse Content ETL Solution Accelerates with Automation & Reuse



ETL is done using an ETL Accelerator like WebSphere DataStage.

- *E* the data is extracted from the OLTP information sources
- T-100s of embedded transforms & custom built transforms are applied
- L Aggregated and transformed data is loaded into the warehouse tables



Managing the Dynamic Data Warehouse Content Native Access and Federation for Universal Data Inclusion







Maintenance of the Dynamic Data Warehouse Incremental Updating is Essential



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IBM Information on Demand

Delivering trusted information in context to optimize business processes, applications and productivity in real time

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Benefiting from "z" Information on Demand

Addressing Key

Customer Requirements

- Workload consolidation
- Integrating data via SOA
- Reduce total cost of ownership
- Next generation warehousing



Information On Demand



Dynamic Data Warehousing



- Co-located OLTP & DW
- Move to System z decreased reporting times 80%

Master Data Management



consolidated customer profile to enable customer centric processing for sales and service

SOA Data Serving



- Exposed legacy IMS through Web services
- Guaranteed integrity on over 4 billion IMS transactions per month

SAP Information Infrastructure



Significant IT savings Improved customer service Business growth

Data Governance & Accountability



Automated archiving to manage continuous data growth



The IBM Information Server

- Where is my information?
- What does it mean?
- Can I trust it?
- How do I control it?
- How do I get it ...
 - where I need it?
 - when I need it?
 - in the form that I need?







IBM Information Server for System z					
Unified SOA Deployment					
Understand	Cleanse	Transform	Deliver		
Discover, model, and govern information structure and content	Standardize, merge, and correct information	Combine and restructure information for new uses	Synchronize, virtualize and move information for in-line delivery		
Unified Metadata Management					
Parallel Processing Rich Connectivity to Applications, Data, and Content					

















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The power of a platform ... not just a collection of tools





IBM Information Server A Platform and a set of Products

- IBM Information Server is a *platform*
 - Multiple modules that share a consistent foundation of shared platform services
 - The platform approach increases reusability and creates synergy between and across functional modules
- Companies can purchase one or more of the modules
 - Each module inherently includes the platform services
 - Each module addresses a requirement and provides value on its own
- The modules work together seamlessly, providing increased project leverage
 - As new modules are added, they "snap-in" to the shared platform services, providing immediately leverage
 - Organizations have a flexible entry point ...
 Think Strategically, Implement for Immediate Impact



IBM Information Server Architecture



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Roles-based GUI Design Tools work the way "you" do





- Common reusable services framework leverages the power of a SOA environment
- Meta data repository promotes:
 - reuse
 - compliance to standards
 - visual lineage
 - impact analysis





New Linux for z deployment option

- Robust, parallel processing
- Hipersocket connectivity to z data
- Full Information Server suite: QualityStage, Information Analyzer...
- Minimal impact on z/OS costs: Leverages IFLs and zIIPs









Benefits of a hybrid architecture that leverages zLinux

- Significant cost savings:
 - MIPs charged at IFL rate ... NOT z/OS rate
 - Minimizes impact on z/OS MIPs
 - All Job Processing is on zLinux, except the z/OS data access
 - DB2 access qualifies for zIIP specialty engine
 - Minimizes impact on other z/OS software costs
- High performance z data connectivity:
 - Batch Pipes for DB2 load, DRDA to DB2 over hipersockets
 - SQL to Classic over hipersockets
 - Integration with Data Event Publishers for changed-data-capture
- Seamless integration with other Information Server platforms
 - Same operational architecture and meta data Repository
 - Eliminates deployment issues
 - Maintains value of DataStage for z/OS investments



The Bottom Line

IBM provides a platform for . . .

- Gaining access to data at any time, wherever it resides
- Making sure it is complete, correct and up to date, and
- Moving it from any file, database or application to any other destination:
 - Another database
 - Another application
 - Another platform

Implications for System z ...

- System z data must be an equal participant
 ~60% of enterprise operational data is mainframe based
- System z is a robust, reliable, secure implementation platform for this workload Especially for DB2 on z users who will resist taking mainframe data off platform
- TCO for this *new workload* on z is very attractive ... especially for large IT installations
 - Specialty engines on z (IFLs, zIIPs, zAAPs) provide lower cost MIPs
 - Green messages apply
 - Server consolidation messages apply





Summary

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IBM can help with an

Information Integration Assessment

On-site workshop for your team providing:

- Information Integration needs assessment
- Report and recommendations

What is it?

An interactive session led by an IBM Information Integration Solutions specialist, to help you take advantage of emerging technologies, standards, and current trends in information integration

What will you get as a result?

- Outline of your current information integration environment
- Identification of key projects where information integration could improve IT productivity and speed development
- Exploration of alternative approaches
- Recommendations for architecture enhancements



Workshop Basics

Typical Agenda

- Part One: Information gathering and sharing
 - Information Integration Overview
 - Discovery –
 Extensive interviews and data collection
- Part Two: Analysis, summary, recommendations
 - Summary of information collected
 - Review of:
 - challenges, issues, problems, needs
 - Approaches considered
 - Tradeoffs
 - Recommendations

Typical Workshop Participants

- Up to 15 team members: for example:
 - Architects
 - Data architects, information architects
 - Enterprise architects
 - Data architects or information architects
 - LOB managers in areas like
 - Compliance (financial services and other industries)
 - Supply chain management (CPG)
 - Clinical intelligence (healthcare)
 - Application owners
 - Middleware managers
 - Data warehouse managers and developers









