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Reducing Acquisition Costs Through Incremental Migration to SOA

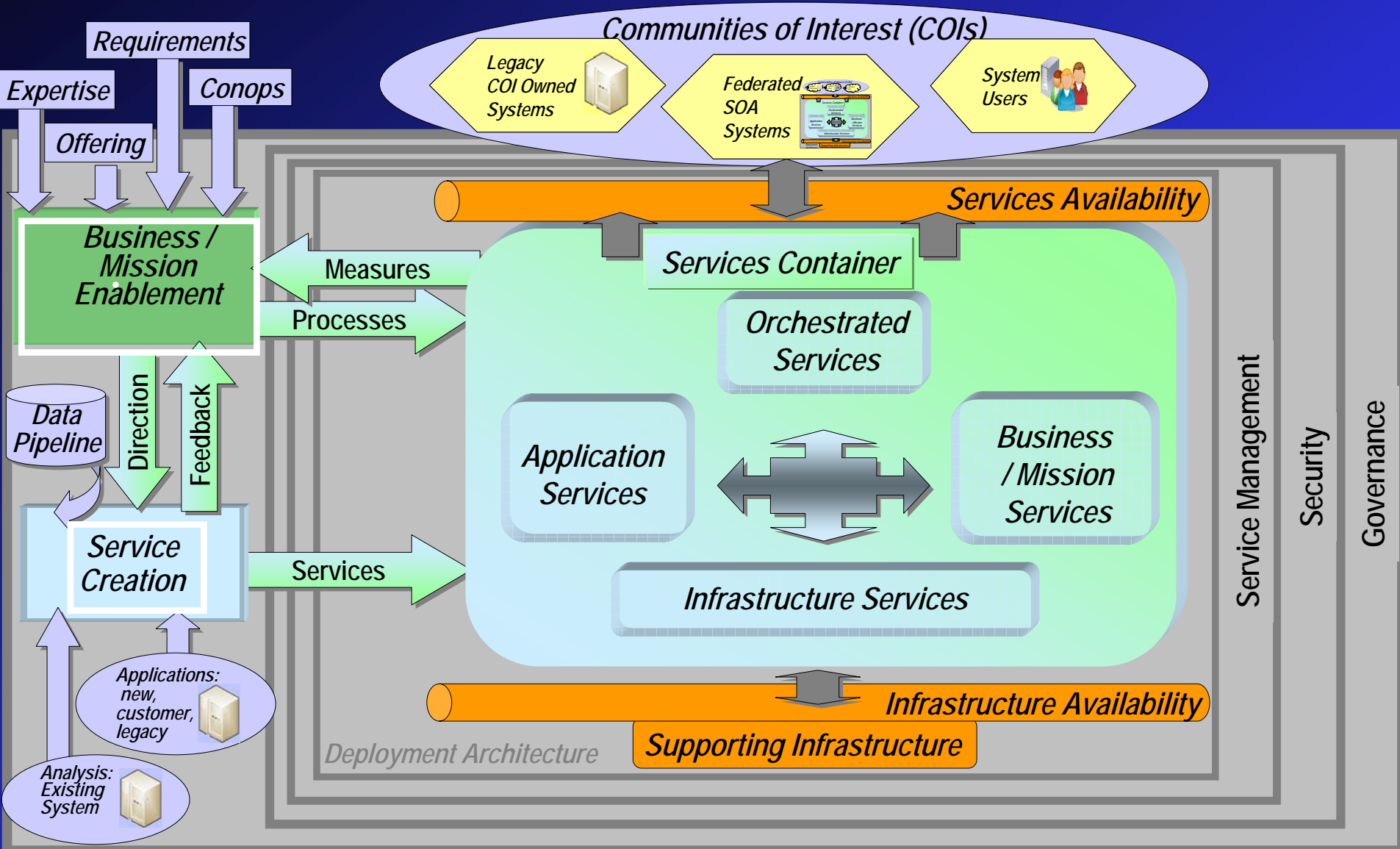
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- Overview of Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)
 - Common Reference Architecture
- Methods of migrating from System of Systems PORs to SOA
- Program acquisition costs for migration of POR's to SOA
- Mitigation of acquisition costs
- Program Examples
 - Global Combat Support System – Air Force (GCSS-AF)
 - An Army Program



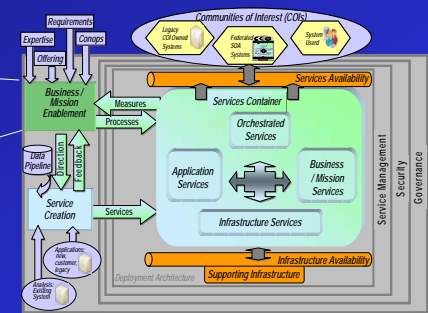
Common Reference Architecture





Business / Mission Enablement

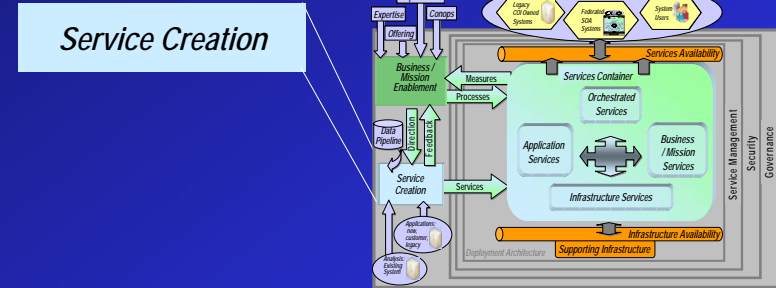
Business / Mission Enablement



- Business or Mission Enablement Element – Supports the definition, modeling, and analysis of services and service-oriented architectures that meet the business / mission needs
- This element of the architecture will be updated as the SOA is in use to optimize the performance of the services for accomplishment of a desired mission
- As new services come online the system will continuously be redesigned to take advantage of the latest technologies being employed.



Service Creation

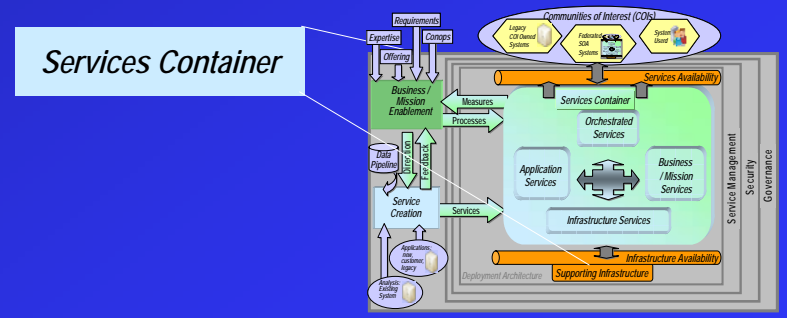


- Service Creation Element - Service creation encompasses the engineering tasks required to develop a new service, incorporate an existing service, or to convert a legacy application into a service



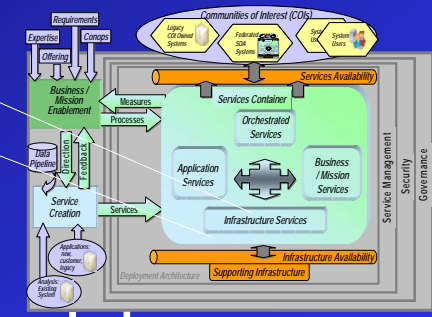
Services Container

Services Container Element - Assembly of services based on business / mission enablement processes and supported by an infrastructure framework. Various combinations of services, business logic, and workflow are combined to provide service availability to the COIs





Infrastructure Services



• Infrastructure Services - The basic, underlying services that enable the accessibility, interactions, communications, and runtime operations of a SOA

- Security
- Mediation
- Service Management
- Information Delivery
- Discovery
- Data Management

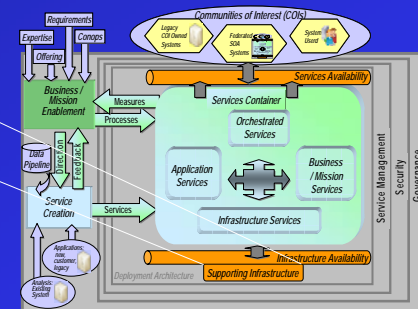


Supporting Infrastructure

- Supporting Infrastructure - Products and technologies used in the storing, transmitting and utilizing of information that supports the runtime operations of a SOA

- Service Bus
- Registry
- Repository
- System Management
- BPEL Engine
- Collaboration
- Application Services
- Web Support
- Transport
- Storage

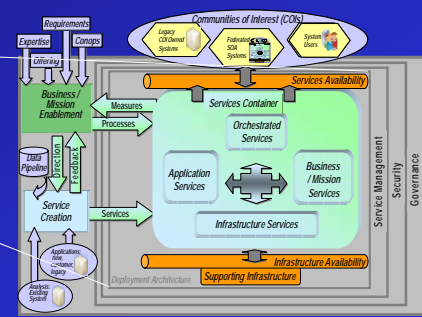
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Service Management

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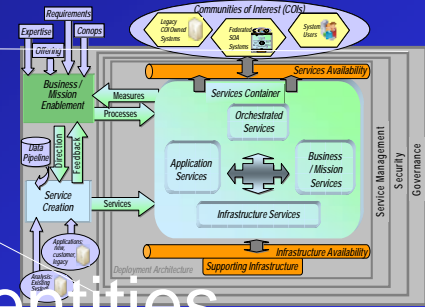


- Service Management - Configuring, monitoring, maintaining and managing of services and the service infrastructure
 - Business Activity & Event Monitoring
 - Fault Management
 - Configuration Management
 - Service Level Agreement Management
 - Performance Management



Security

Security

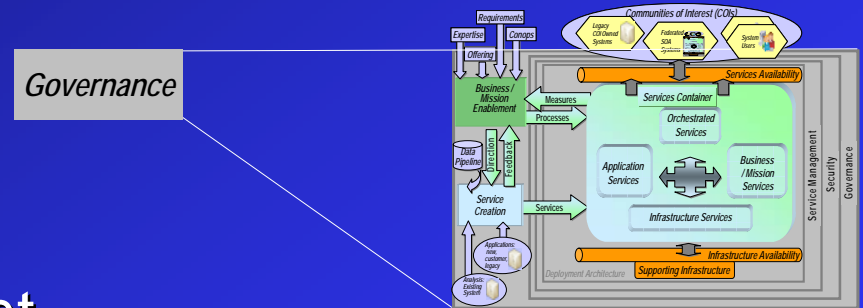


- Security – Mechanisms which protect entities within the SOA environment, including consumer, provider, services and information; and, additionally provide interface between security services from different enterprises
 - Policy Management
 - Assured Information Sharing
 - Availability
 - Network Defense



Governance

- Governance - Collection and enforcement of policies which the enterprise, services, and data owners must abide by to guarantee success at all tiers of the SOA
 - Design and development practices
 - Technology selection
 - Policy management
 - Contract management
 - Configuration management
 - Release management
 - Runtime management
 - Problem management
 - Change management

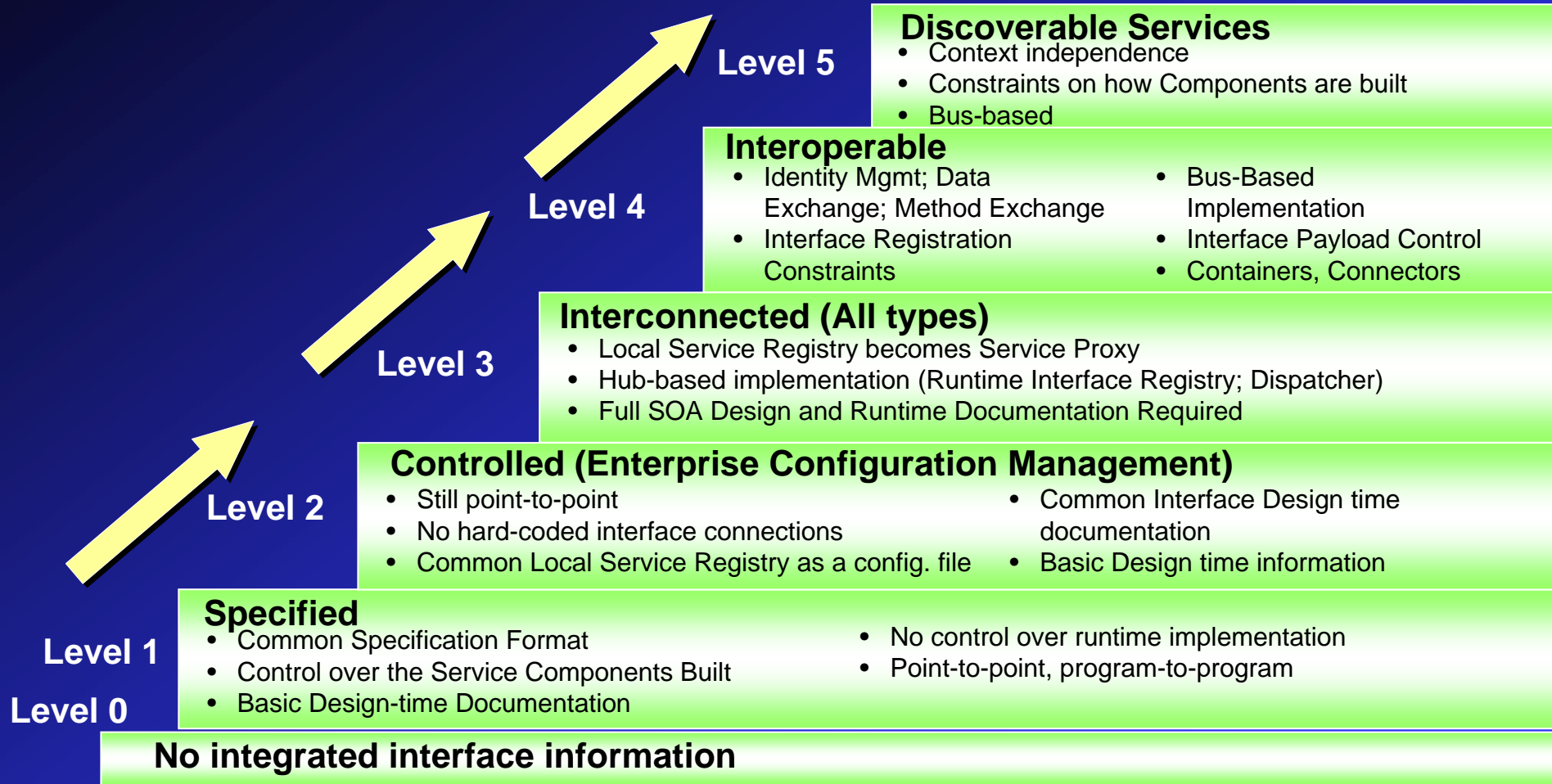




- Build Infrastructure – Leave POR in Place
- Build some infrastructure for new services – wrappers on non-SOA components
- Build services for certain components – add infrastructure later
- Wait until infrastructure is in place – build services that work



Transformation Use Case: Life-Cycle Levels of Integration (LLI) Continuum



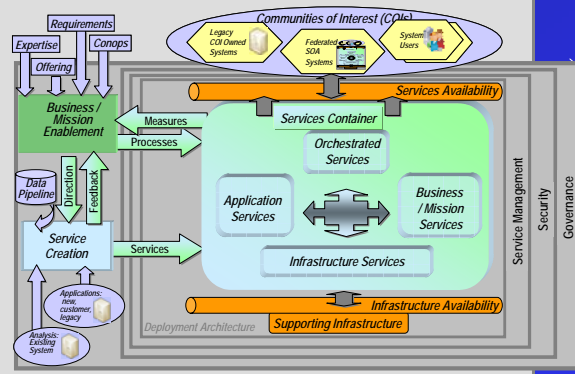
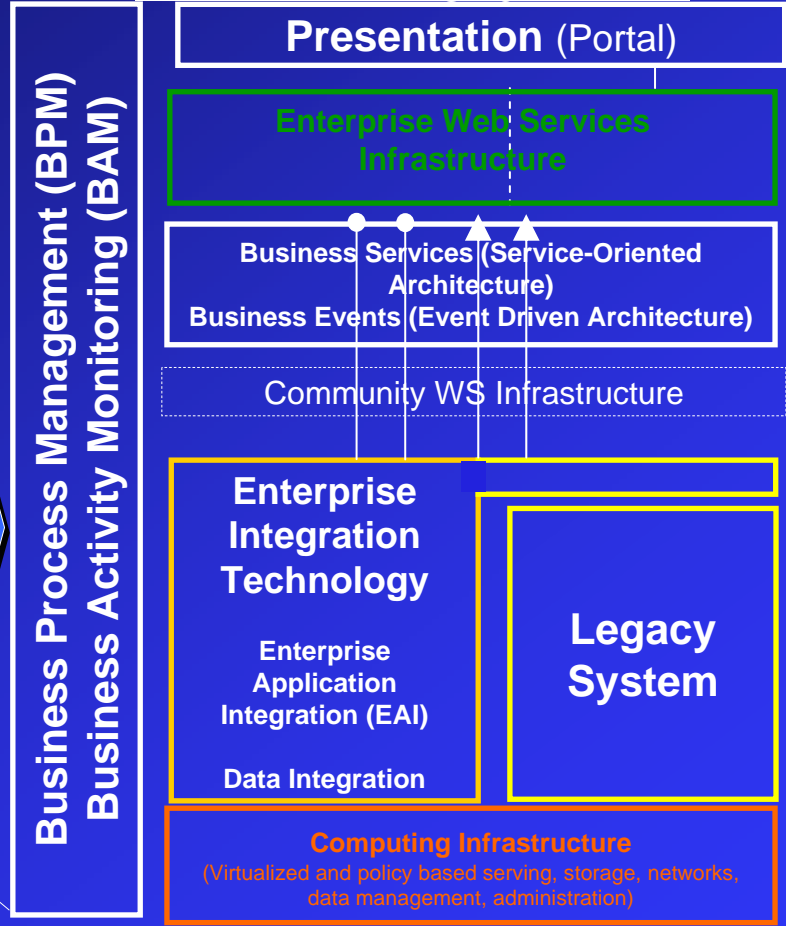
- *Integration is a set of enterprise characteristics*
- *These characteristics are additive: Level 5 integration contains Level 4; Level 4 contains Level 3; ...*

Transformation Use Case: Legacy System Enterprise Application Integration

- How does one integrate legacy applications and data?
 - For purposes of this use case assume the following:
 - Current Enterprise State that is at Level 2 or below on the LLI Continuum
 - Program centric Domain expertise & huge legacy portfolio (S/W development)
 - Multiple SOA systems; not stovepipe -> reuse opportunity, maturity models, guidelines
 - Apply integration strategies to system components that meet the criteria

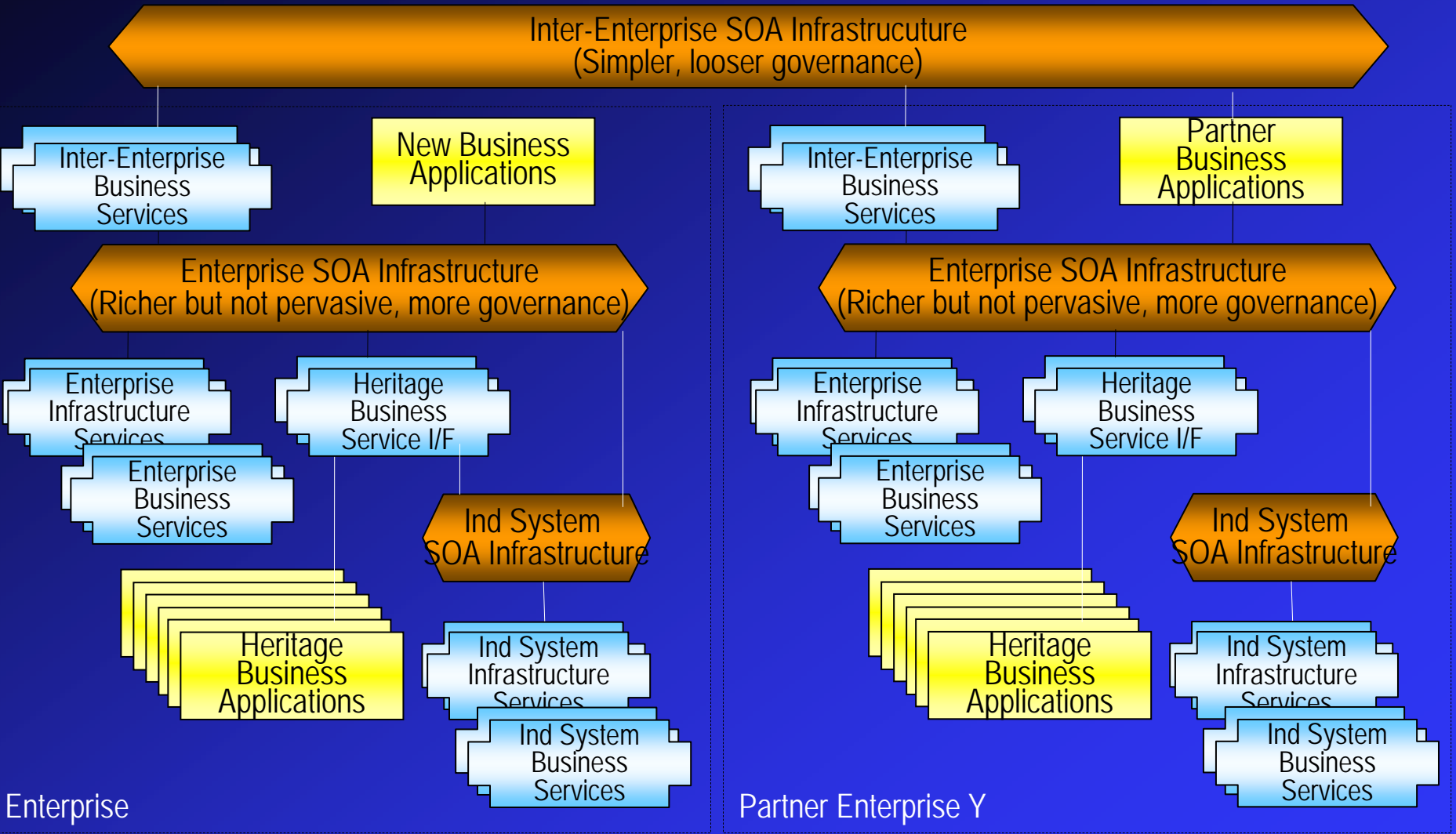


SOA End State (Legacy-Focused)





SOA implemented at multiple tiers



Multiple Tiers allow incremental SOA advancement



Software Cost Drivers for Legacy System Migration

- Operating Systems – upgrades, licensing fees
- COTS Products – licensing fees, maintenance contracts
- DBMS – licensing fees, maintenance contracts
- GOTS Products – upgrade schedule – POM Cycle
- New Development – POM Cycle, JCIDS
- SOA Infrastructure Development



Mitigation of Software Costs

- **Operating Systems – Upgrades, Licensing Fees**
 - Consolidation on fewer OS's
- **COTS Products – Licensing Fees, Maintenance Contracts**
 - Enterprise licensing
- **DBMS – Licensing Fees, Maintenance Contracts**
 - Data Access Service => Reduce DBMS's
- **GOTS Products – Upgrade Schedule – POM Cycle**
 - Wrappers Standardize Interfaces
- **New Development – New Requirements, JCIDS Process**
 - New WS reduce deployment cycle time – Portal may address reqmnts
- **SOA Infrastructure Development**
 - Tiered architecture reduces initial investment



Program Examples

- The following examples show the degree to which the principles discussed thus far have been implemented and how effective these efforts have been to date
 - Global Combat Support System – Air Force (GCSS-AF) – SOA migration project was initiated in 2003
 - An Army Program – Migrating to SOA and scheduled to deploy to Iraq in 2009.



GCSS-AF

<https://www.gcss-af.com/cfs/outreach/index.cfm>



GCSS-AF SOA Journey

Stage Name	Business Silos	Standardized Technology	Optimized Core	Business Modularity
IT Capability	Local IT Applications	Shared Technical Platforms	Enterprise-wide Hardwired Processes and Data	Plug and Play Business Process Modules
Business Objectives	ROI of Local Business Objectives	Reduced IT Costs	Cost and Quality of Business Operations	Speed to Market and Strategic Agility
Funding	Individual Applications	Shared Infrastructure Services	Enterprise Applications and Data Stores	Reusable Business Process Components
Key Management Capability	Technology-Enabled Change Management	Design and Update of Standards; Funding Shared Services	Core Enterprise Process Definition and Measurement	Management of Reusable Business Processes
Who Defines Applications	Local Business Leaders	IT and Business Unit Leaders	Senior Management and Process Leaders	IT, Business and Industry Leaders
Key IT Governance Issues	Measure and Communicate Value	Global Responsibilities	Align Project Priorities with Architecture Objectives	Define, Source and Fund Business Modules

Source: *Architecture as Strategy* by Ross, Weill, Robertson, HBS Press, June 2006

<https://www.gcss-af.com/noosphere/space/SOA+Journey>

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ROI of Local Business Objectives:

- ROI is sub-optimized to within program, unit, lifecycle boundaries. Interfaces optimized to specific method needs reducing by bytes size of message while proliferating protocols leading to hundreds of different interfaces on dozens of protocols burdening source systems interface code that is over 70% of their function, causing exceedingly high operations cost and setting up a closely coupled brittle structure that is exceeding expensive to move forward. Each phase of the lifecycle optimizes for itself. Shorter delivery schedules or cheaper product costs are not considered in relation downstream impacts



Reduced IT Costs:

- Commoditization of IT Infrastructure Enterprise licenses for software and hardware. Reduced O&S cost through common infrastructure. Reduced assembly cost through eliminating '*botique engineering*'



Cost & Quality of Business Operations:

- BEA (DoD Business Enterprise Architecture) eLog21 and other like minded functional initiatives focused on mission processes, people and information and measured success not in lines of code, deliveries or response time but rather in mission effectiveness and asset status, particularly aircraft.



Strategic Agility:

- Velocity, Velocity, Velocity was our mantra. It allowed us to make and correct mistakes faster and with the built in feedback we had we consistently moved forward. Have not reached the Chief's vision of changing information flows in hours and days but it is on the horizon.



Individual Applications:

- We were going to modernize all applications and every modernization was a separate program. 'Silver bullet' approaches program by program. Specific examples were:
 - 1. GOLD for IMDS and SBSS
 - 2. Teradata for FIRST
 - 3. AF Portal for OLVIMS
 - 4. J2EE for CAS
 - 5. Homegrown Portal



Shared Infrastructure Services:

- Key here is consistency and communication. Industry and the customer will evolve toward a common definition of the services you provide. You need to have a communication plan that is adaptive enough to adjust but managed enough that there is agreement as to context, content and use of the services you provide. Agreement is way more important than having the right definition. It is way too easy to fall into '*analysis paralysis*' trying to define the essential services. It is way better to evolve a service oriented organization that is always providing better services.



Enterprise Applications & Data Stores:

- Major portfolios aligned and individual initiatives were terminated. Whole communities like A4/7 (Old Installations and Logistics) went on bare bones sustainment of legacy systems to free funds for Expeditionary Combat Support Systems. Rigorous funding tied to effect producing capabilities is managed through a hierarchical portfolio process culminating in the Senior Working Group (SWG) which meets once a month with the SecAF and reports status.



Another DoD Program Migrating to SOA

A circular logo featuring a globe with a stylized eagle or bird-like figure in the center, set against a dark background.

SOA Goals

- **Integrated Portal**
 - Create an integrated Portal available to both internal and external users
 - Portal presents both domain-specific and multi-domain JSR 168 compliant portlets
 - JSR 168 promotes capability of using portlets in different Portal frameworks
- **Integrated Data Access**
 - Develop single multi-domain search interface compliant with NCES Content Discovery and DDMS
 - Establishes architecture for integration of NCES compliant data sources and integration of DCGS-A nodes into larger enterprise searches
- **Introduction of SOA Infrastructure Toolset**
 - Commercial Enterprise Service Bus (ESB) used to realize Multi-INT objectives through content-based routing and orchestration of domain services using BPEL 1.1 compliant workflow
 - BPEL compliance promotes capability of porting workflow to different workflow engines
 - Use of UDDI compliant service repository
 - UDDI Repository wrapped in NCES defined services to abstract complexities of UDDI and promote portability to different repository implementations
- **Establishment of SOA Governance Procedures**
 - Government and industry jointly own process for specification and validation of service interface standards
- **Implementation of a Layered DIB Compliant Architecture**
 - User Facing Layer – Portal and Desktop Visualization Framework (MFWS/VIPER)
 - Processing Layer – Service Orchestration
 - Data Layer – Publication of Metadata to DIB MDC for inter-service DCGS interoperability
 - Core Layer – SOA security model based on NCES Security Services



Multi-Tier Architecture



**EXTERNAL
USERS**



**EXTERNAL
SOURCES**



**EXTERNAL
SYSTEMS**

USER FACING

PORTAL FRAMEWORK

CLIENT FRAMEWORK

STAND ALONE CLIENTS

DOMAIN COMPONENTS

DOMAIN ORCHESTRATION

DOMAIN WEB SERVICES

LEGACY APPS

CROSS DOMAIN COMPONENTS

CROSS DOMAIN ORCHESTRATION

CROSS DOMAIN WEB SERVICES

DATA ACCESS COMPONENTS

METADATA FRAMEWORK

DATA ACCESS WEB SERVICES

LEGACY DATA ACCESS COMPONENTS

DATA BASES & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

SECURITY

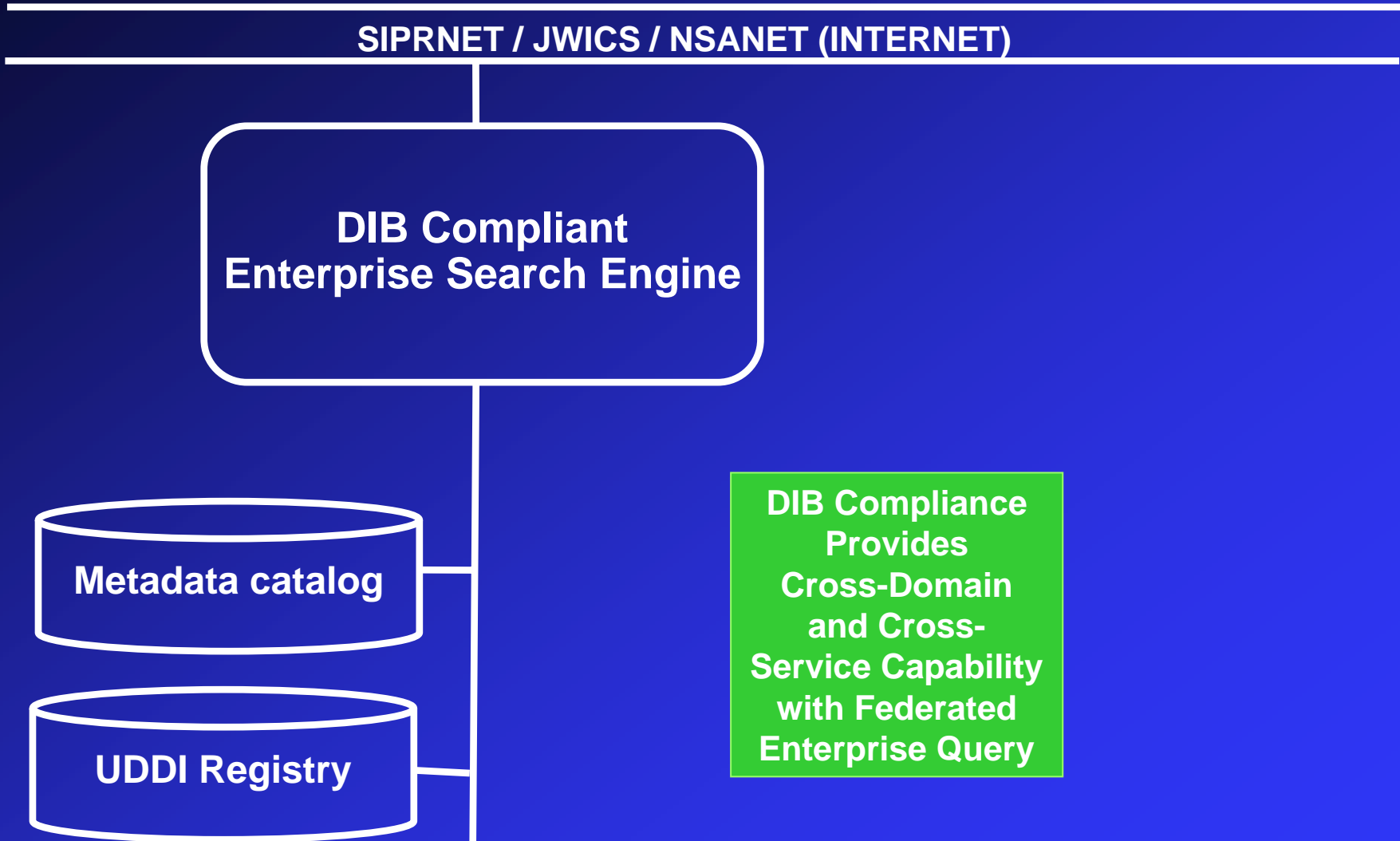
DATA MANAGEMENT & INFO EXCHANGE

SERVICE AND SYSTEM MANAGEMENT

ENTERPRISE SERVICE BUS



Enterprise Search Capability



New Software Components Utilize Common Infrastructure

- **Visualization**

- Overlay Manager
- Symbol Manager
- NRT Viz Stream
- Intel Folders

- **Information Exchange**

- Information Gateway
- Report Manager
- Message Logger
- Message Pub/Sub
- Address Book
- Message Transform

- **Data Management**

- Metadata Pub/Sub
- Metadata Discovery
- User Alert Management
- Alert Services
- ISR Data Services

- **Service Management**

- Service Publish
- Service Inquiry

SECURITY

ESB



Portal Framework

- Portal Provides Standard Visualization for Each Domain
- Customizable to the User Profile
- Accessible from Any Workstation on the Network (Including Laptops)
- No Need to Deploy Client Applications
 - New Capabilities Added Quickly
- Maintains Version Control
- Can Realize Some Level of Data Fusion at the Visualization Layer



Portal Pages

Web Portal - Microsoft Internet Explorer

Address: http://localhost:7011/

UNCLASSIFIED

Welcome, tgreer [Logout](#)

Communities | [Customize](#)

Home Data Discovery Administration Analyst **Operations** Targeting IAO Toolbox Alerting Communication Online Help

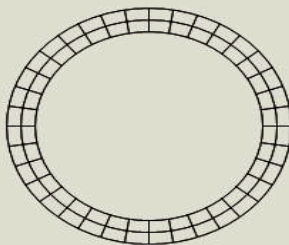
Geospatial Geospatial Management Tasks **Weather**

Forecasts **Local Weather** Weather Warnings Forecast Products Weather Effects

Local Weather Observations (Advanced)

Winds Visibility Pressure Temperature Precipitation Lightning

Sensor METAR Raw Data Graphs



Current Winds
 Direction (from) [---] deg
 Speed [---] kts [---] mph
 Gust [---] kts [---] mph

Peak Winds
 Direction from [---] deg
 Speed [---] kts [---] mph
 Time (zulu) [---]

BasicSensorDisplayPortlet_1

Weather Sensor Service Unavailable

Humidity — Winds —

Pressure —

Visibility —

Weather Sensor: — (Not Collecting)

AdvancedSensorDisplayPortlet_1

Winds Visibility Pressure Temperature Precipitation Lightning

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Current Winds
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Peak Winds
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 Speed [---] kts [---] mph

SmPortlet_1

Sensor Type Communication Setup Location Setup Advanced

Sensor Type

Sensor: UNKNOWN

Operating Mode

Live

Demo Mode

Done Local intranet



- ESB used to implement common service orchestration patterns
 - Content-Based Routing
 - Composite Application
- Service Orchestrations implemented to maximize portability
 - BPEL 1.1 used to specify orchestrations (business processes)
 - Use of vendor extensions strictly controlled and documented
 - Transformations into Program Specific Data Model done at Gateway and Data Manager components to minimize dependencies on transformation engines unique to COTS ESB variant
- Caching of UDDI service binding information used to improve performance
 - Implement using Web Service caching technology
 - IBM "*dynacache*" used to cache NCES UDDI Abstraction Services
 - *Redundant UDDI queries returned from cache as opposed to hitting the registry for every query*

Actions taken to alleviate SOA performance and portability concerns include pushing transformations down into services and implementing web service caching of UDDI interfaces



Virtual Machine Ware Reduces HW

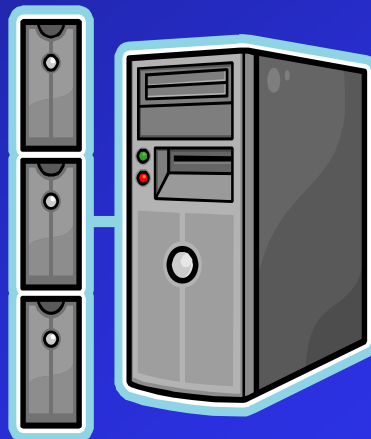
- **WebLogic Portal Server**

- 84 Portlets
- Log4J
- Windows 2003
- 2 Cores
- 8 GB



- **WebLogic Application Server**

- Six Web Apps
- 24+ Web Services
- Log4J
- Windows 2003
- 2 Cores
- 8 GB



- **JBOSS App Server**

- 23 Web Apps
- Sensor Platform Model
- Sensor Platform Model UI
- Logger
- Saba
- AAR
- Windows 2003





More Capability – Fewer Vehicles

Mobile Unit Transport Requirements

CURRENT

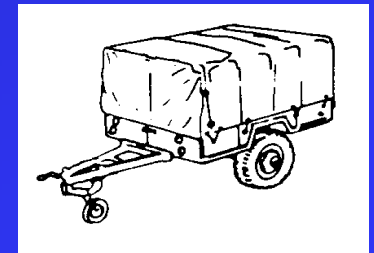
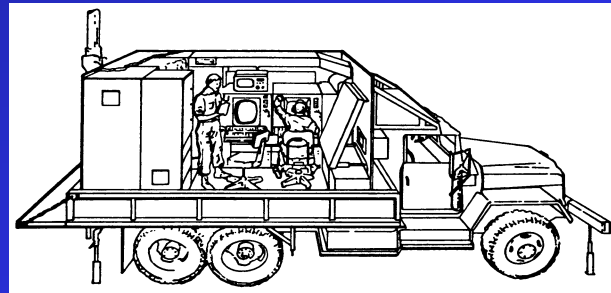
- 14 Vehicles
- 12 Pull Behinds
 - 4 Trailers
 - 7 Power Generators
 - 1 Comms Unit

TOTAL = 26 UNITS

MIGRATED CAPABILITY

- 7 Vehicles
- 8 Pull Behinds
 - 2 Trailers
 - 5 Power Generators
 - 1 Comms Unit

TOTAL = 15 UNITS





Integration and Test Improvements

- Standards Compliance reduces integration time
 - Automated Test Tools Used to evaluate Web Services for OASIS Standards Compliance
 - Automated Test Tools Used to evaluate Portlets for JSR 168 Compliance
- Web Services reduces integration time by encapsulating the changes to allow late introduction of a capability or removing of a planned capability without incurring compile time errors.
- Reduced regression testing when updates are made to services that do not affect other services
- The focus of the evaluation for accreditation is data centric instead of system centric.



CONCLUSION

- The initial investment in SOA infrastructure can be reduced through a combination of mitigation techniques
- Migration to SOA can increase capabilities without increasing the overall system footprint
- Initial investment in infrastructure may realize immediate operational benefits
- The anticipated long term beneficial effects of SOA migration are proving to be realized in programs that have made the investment
- Multi-Tier SOA architecture can limit the initial investment and position a program for long term combinatory explosion of capabilities as other programs come online