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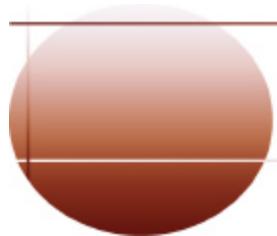
Modernize MFS Transactions with XML and Web Services

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Agenda

- **What is MFS and traditional MFS online processing**
- **Business Challenge**
- **Modernize MFS Transactions**
- **MFS Web Services**
- **MFS Future Requirements**

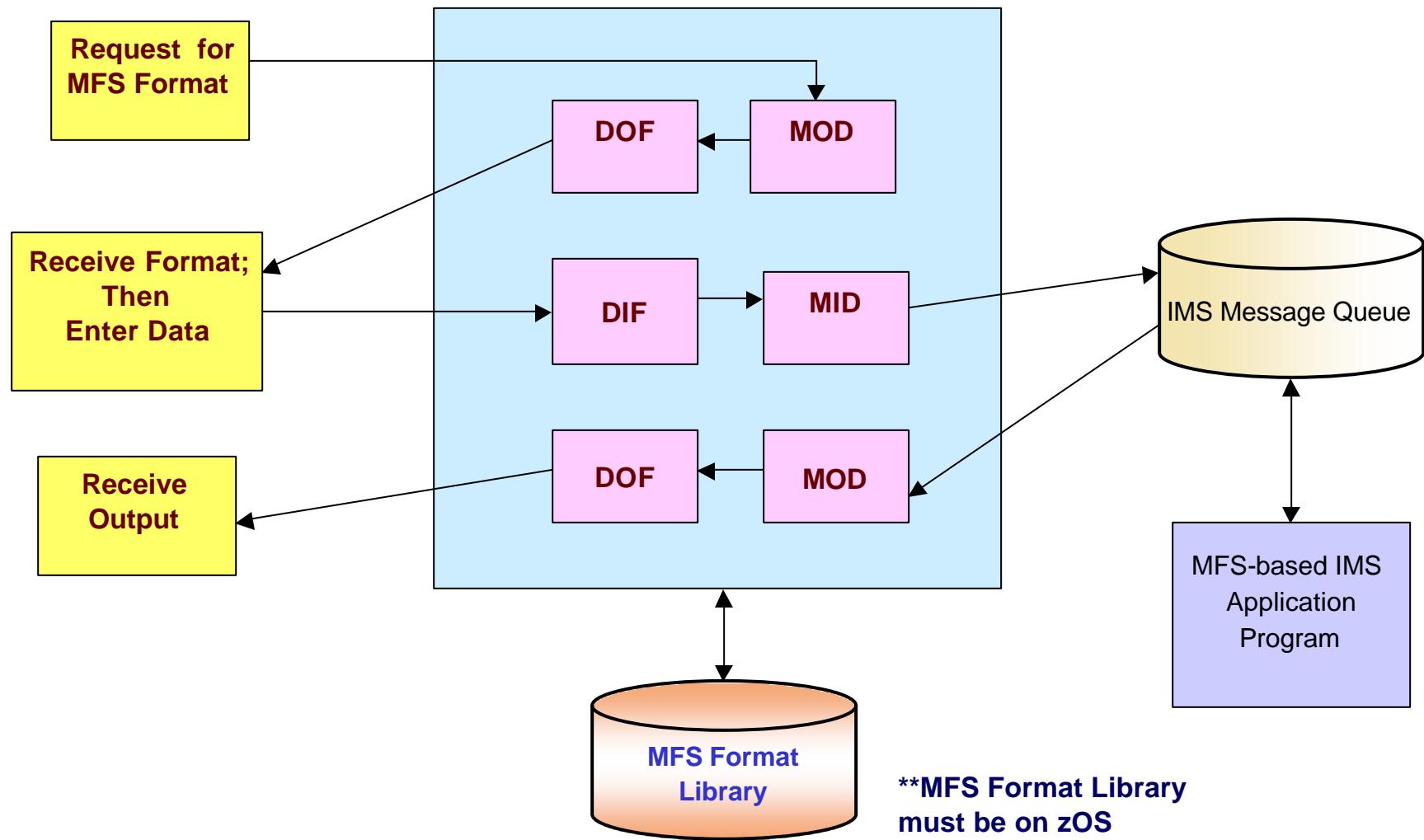


MFS (Message Format Services)

- MFS formats messages to and from terminal devices
- MFS language utility compiles MFS source and generates MFS control blocks, known as MID/MOD and DIF/DOF, and places them in an **IMS Format Library**
- IMS application program I/O data structures do not fully describe the end user interaction with existing MFS-based IMS application. Information buried within various MFS statements are processed by the **MFS online processor**
 - 3270 screen attribute bytes
 - PF Key input data
 - And etc.



Tradition MFS online processing



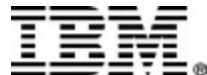
Business Challenge

- As business processes are updated to exploit new B2B technologies, there is a need to support B2B interchange
 - A nonproprietary industry-wide standard method is needed to represent existing MFS control blocks
 - XML is growing in acceptance as the universal data format which can be the input and output for any application
 - Represent traditional MFS control blocks in XML
- Retarget MFS-based IMS transactions to support B2B XML communication and Web services without changing existing IMS applications



Modernize MFS Transactions

- MFS metamodel
 - Preserve existing IMS applications by modeling MFS source
- MFS importer
 - Parse and convert MFS statements into XMI (XML metadata interchange)
- MFS transformer
 - Translate XMI back into an equivalent MFS online processing; and vice versa



MFS Metamodel

- Preserve existing IMS applications by modeling MFS sources into **metamodel**
 - A nonproprietary industry-wide standard way to represent MFS source information
 - One of the CAM (Common Application Metamodel) models
 - OMG EAI (Enterprise Application Integration) marketplace standards
 - Non-normative metamodel
 - Use **IMS MFS Reversal Utility** to re-create MFS source from MFS Format Library, if MFS sources are not available
 - Support certain services/functions provided by MFS
 - PF keys
 - Logical pages
 - Predefined literals
 - Attribute bytes
 - Do not describe 3270 data streams
 - Capability of 3270 data streams is supported by HOD (Host On Demand) and WebSphere HATS (Host Access Transformation Server)



IMS MFS Reversal Utility – sample JCL

The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "Session C - [32 x 80]". The window has a menu bar with "File", "Edit", "View", "Communication", "Actions", "Window", and "Help". Below the menu is a toolbar with various icons. The main area displays a JCL script named "JENNYH.MFSR.JCL". The script starts with a command line and includes several job steps (//STEPNAME) defining data sets (DD), execution programs (EXEC), and system parameters (//). The JCL is color-coded for readability. A status bar at the bottom indicates a connection to a remote server.

```
VIEW JENNYH.MFSR.JCL
Command ==> -----
000001 //MFSR      JOB USER=&SYSUID,NOTIFY=&SYSUID,
000002                               MSGCLASS=H,CLASS=A,REGION=0M,TIME=03
000003 //ROUTE PRINT STLVM3/IMSDVLM91
000004 //DELETE EXEC PGM=IEFBRA14
000005 //DD1      DD DSN=MFSR.SOURCE,DISP=(MOD,DELETE),UNIT=SYSDA,
000006           * SPACE=(CYL,(1,1,10)) VOL=SER=222222
000007 //DD2      DD DSN=MFSR.SYSPRINT,DISP=(MOD,DELETE),UNIT=SYSDA,
000008           * SPACE=(TRK,(1,1)) VOL=SER=222222
000009 MFSR      EXEC PGM=FABVAVRS
000010 STEPLIB   DD DSN=IMSBLD.I71RTS2A.CRESLIB,DISP=SHR
000011 DD DSN=IMSTOOL.MFSR.FAB.SFABVLM0,DISP=SHR
000012 MFSSRCE   DD DSN=JENNYH.MFSR.SOURCE,DISP=SHR
000013 *
000014 *
000015     UNIT=SYSDA
000016     DISP=(NEW,CATLG),
000017     DCB=(RECFM=U,DSORG=PO,BLKSIZE=18432,LRECL=80),
000018           SPACE=(CYL,(1,1,10))
000019 SYSPRINT  DD SYSOUT=*,DCB=BLKSIZE=133
000020 *YSPRINT  DD DSN=JENNYH.MFSR.SYSPRINT,DISP=SHR
000021 *
000022     UNIT=SYSDA
000023     DISP=(NEW,CATLG),
000024     DCB=(RECFM=F,BLKSIZE=133),
000025           SPACE=(TRK,(1,1))
000026 SYSOUT    DD SYSOUT=*,DCB=BLKSIZE=133
000027 FORMAT    DD DSN=JENNYH.MFS.FORMATA,DISP=SHR
000028 SYSIN     DD *SELECT OE4CORI1,OE4COR01
000029 */
000030 /*
```

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IMS MFS Reversal Utility – generated source file

Session C - [32 x 80]

File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help

File Edit Edit_Settings Menu Utilities Compilers Test Help

VIEW JENNYH.MFSR.SOURCE(OE4COR) - 01.00 Columns 00001 00072
Command ==> ***** **** Top of Data *****

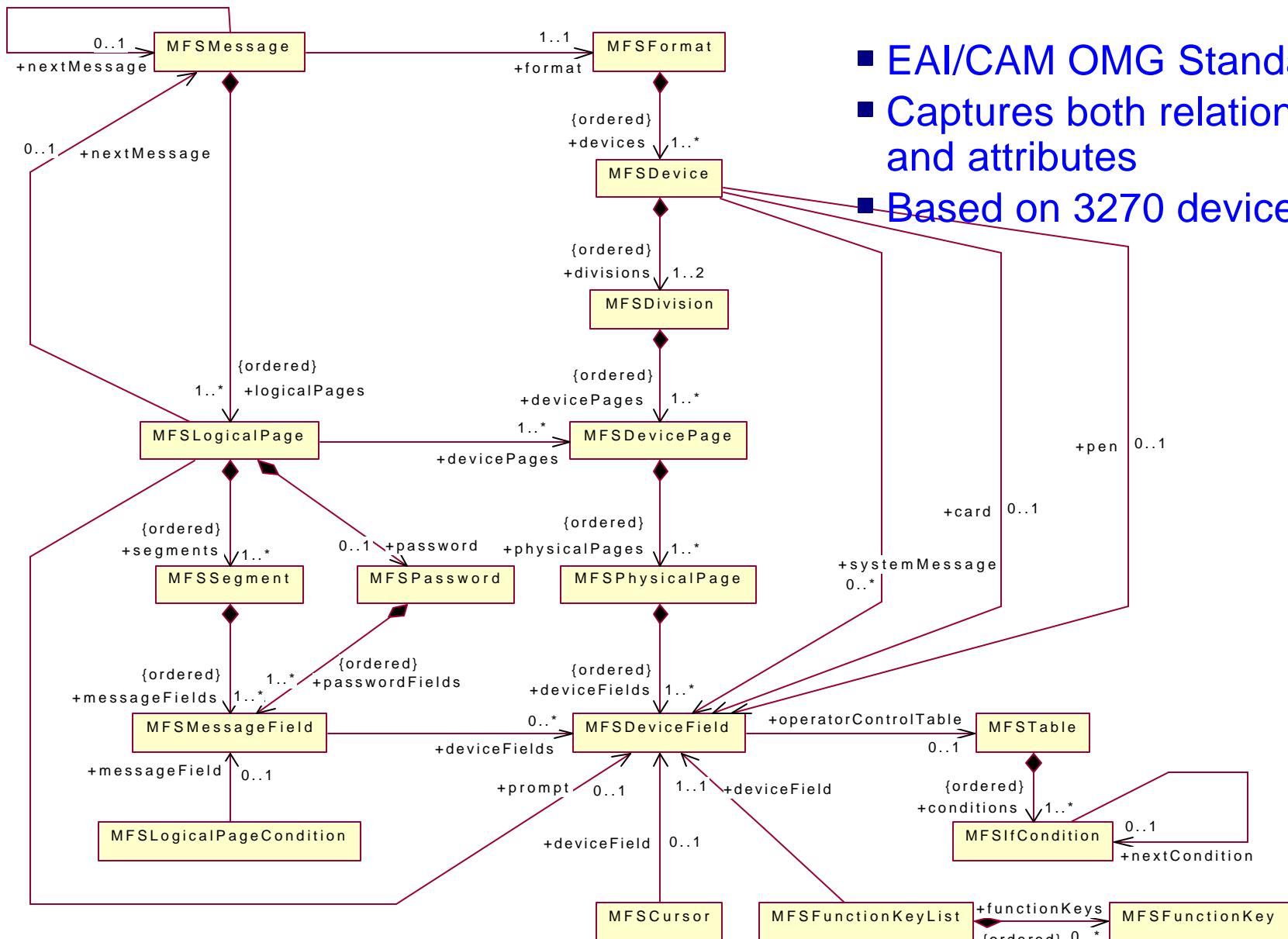
000001 OE4COR FMT
000002 DEV027F DEV TYPE=(3270,2),FEAT=IGNORE,DSCA=X'0220',SYSMSG=DL000100
000003 DIVINOUT DIV TYPE=INOUT
000004 DPA00001 DPAGE FILL=PT_CURSOR=((23,12,CS000102))
000005 DFLD '*** IMS/VS PRIMER:,POS=(1,20),ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000006 DL000080 DFLD POS=(1,39),LTH=3,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000007 DFLD 'CUSTOMER ORDER ***',POS=(1,43),ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000008 DFLD 'CUST. ID',POS=(3,2),ATTR=(PROT,NUM)
000009 DL000008 DFLD POS=(3,12),LTH=27,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000010 DFLD ' ORDER STATUS:',POS=(3,40),ATTR=(PROT,NUM)
000011 DL000094 DFLD POS=(3,56),LTH=15,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000012 DFLD 'ORDER ID:',POS=(4,2),ATTR=(PROT,NUM)
000013 DL000000 DFLD POS=(4,12),LTH=27,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000014 DFLD ' STATUS CODE:',POS=(4,40),ATTR=(PROT,NUM)
000015 DL000072 DFLD POS=(4,55),LTH=2,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000016 DFLD 'RECEIVED:',POS=(5,2),ATTR=(PROT,NUM)
000017 DL000004 DFLD POS=(5,12),LTH=34,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000018 DFLD 'PART ID QTY TAX LN UNIT PRICE U/M DESCRIPTION X
000019 STATUS,POS=(7,2),ATTR=(PROT,NUM)
000020 DL000034 DFLD POS=(8,2),LTH=8,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000021 DL0000046 DFLD POS=(8,11),LTH=6,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000022 DL0000058 DFLD POS=(8,18),LTH=1,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000023 DL000022 DFLD POS=(8,20),LTH=3,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000024 DL0000010 DFLD POS=(8,24),LTH=55,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000025 DL0000036 DFLD POS=(9,2),LTH=8,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000026 DL0000048 DFLD POS=(9,11),LTH=6,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)
000027 DL0000060 DFLD POS=(9,18),LTH=1,ATTR=(PROT,NUM,HI)

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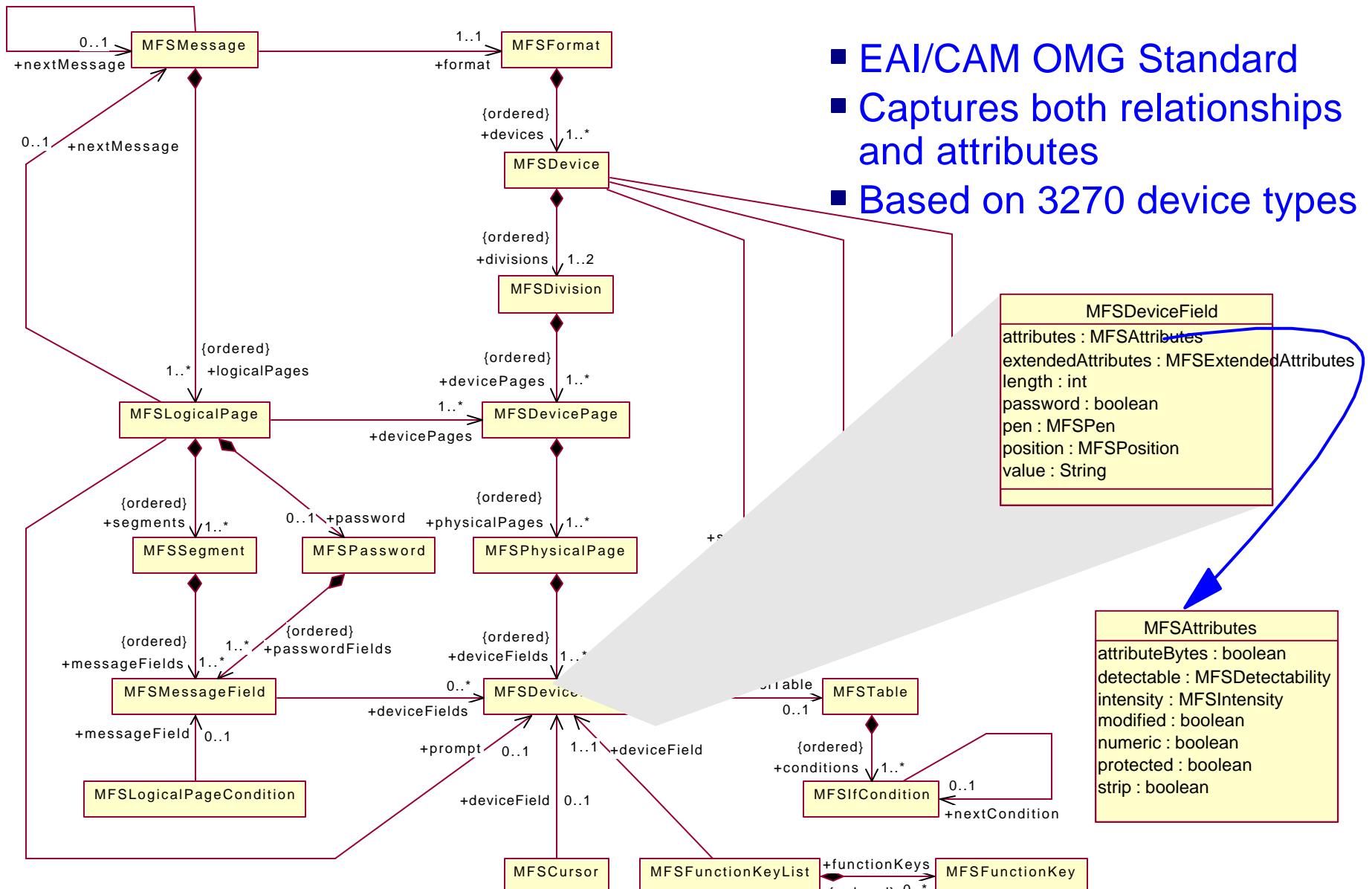


MFS Metamodel



- EAI/CAM OMG Standard
- Captures both relationships and attributes
- Based on 3270 device types

MFS Metamodel



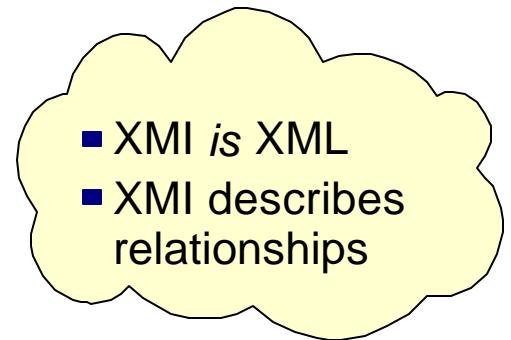
MFS Importer

- An **MFS Importer** is built using the MFS metamodel
 - One of the many importers created by IBM to parse and generate XMI instance files based on the CAM metamodels
 - MFS importer reads and parses MFS source files for a particular IMS application to generate XMI files
 - XMI files represent all the application interface information encapsulated by the MFS source including the input and output messages, display information, MFS flow control, device characteristics and operation semantics
 - Two kinds of XMI files are generated
 - Group MID and DIF together; named after the MID name
 - Group MOD and DOF together; named after the MOD name
 - Or, a MFS table
 - XMI metadata can be stored in an XML repository



MFS XMI (XML Metadata Interchange)

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xmi:XMI xmi:version="2.0" xmlns:xmi="http://www.omg.org/XMI" xmlns:MFS="MFS.xmi">
  <MFS:MFSMessage xmi:id="MFSMessage_1" label="IVTNOMI1" type="input" format="MFSFormat_1">
    <nextMessage href="IVTNO.xmi#MFSMessage_1"/>
    <logicalPages xmi:id="MFSLogicalPage_1" devicePages="MFSDevicePage_1">
      <segments xmi:id="MFSSegment_1">
        <messageFields xmi:id="MFSMessageField_1" length="10" literal="IVTNO "/>
        <messageFields xmi:id="MFSMessageField_2" length="8" deviceFields="MFSDeviceField_1"/>
      </segments>
    </logicalPages>
  </MFS:MFSMessage>
  <MFS:MFSFormat xmi:id="MFSFormat_1" label="IVTNOF">
    <devices xmi:id="MFSDevice_1" type="3270-A02">
      <divisions xmi:id="MFSDivision_1" type="inout">
        <devicePages xmi:id="MFSDevicePage_1">
          <physicalPages xmi:id="MFSPPhysicalPage_1">
            <deviceFields xmi:id="MFSDeviceField_1" label="CMD" length="8">
              <attributes xmi:id="MFSAttributes_8" intensity="high" modified="true"/>
              <position xmi:id="MFSPPosition_9" row="10" column="34"/>
            </deviceFields>
            <deviceFields xmi:id="MFSDeviceField_2" length="21" value="PROCESS CODE (*1) :>">
              <attributes xmi:id="MFSAttributes_7" protected="true"/>
              <position xmi:id="MFSPPosition_8" row="10" column="10"/>
            </deviceFields>
          </physicalPages>
        </devicePages>
      </divisions>
    </devices>
  </MFS:MFSFormat>
</xmi:XMI>
```

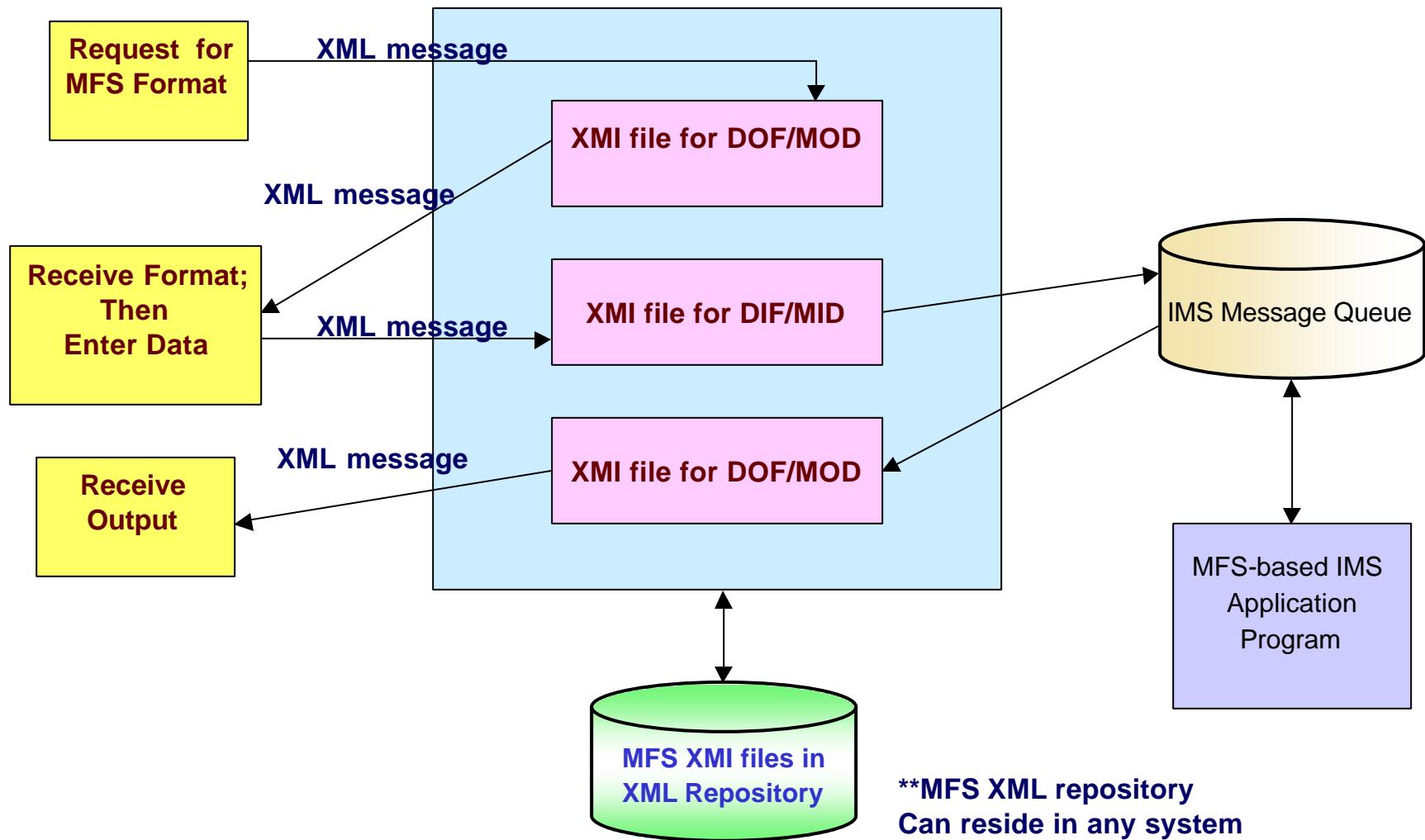


MFS Transformer

- An **MFS Transformer** is needed to translate XMI back into an equivalent MFS online processing; and vice versa
 - Replace MFS online processor
 - Can reside in any system in a network
 - No long need VTAM and 3270 emulator
- Retarget MFS-based IMS transactions to support B2B XML communication or Web services without changing existing IMS applications
 - Enable MFS based IMS transactions as Web Services
 - Facilitate operation of MFS based IMS transactions on any displayable devices, including browser



MFS XML Processing



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IMS MFS and Web Services

▲ Enable users to create a service definition from MFS sources, publish the service, and then deploy it to WAS, and make it available as an EJB or SOAP service

▲ Enable IMS customers to publish existing MFS-based IMS applications on the Internet as Web services

▲ **MFS Importer and Web services wizards**

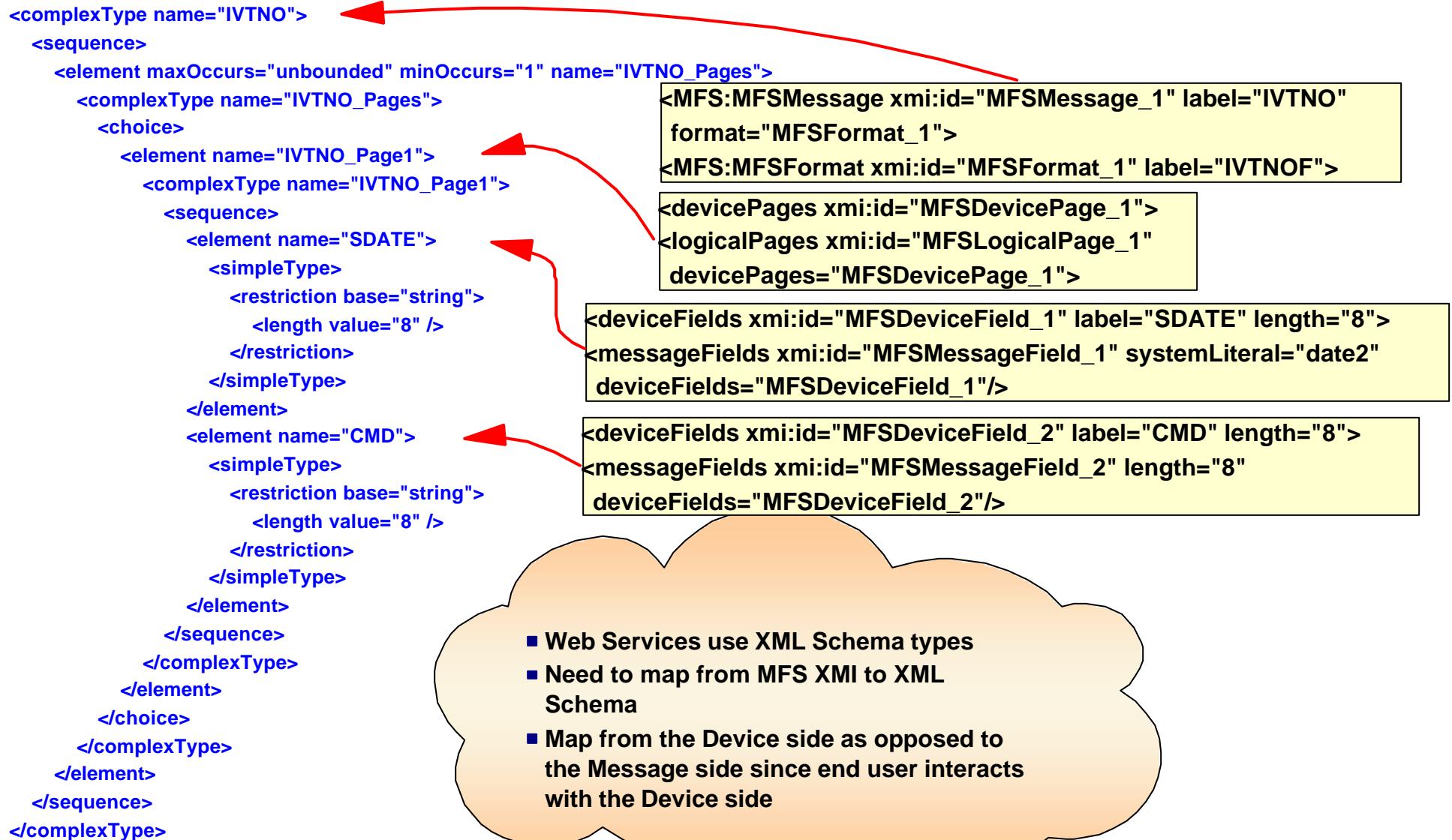
- Integrated with WSAD-IE 5.0 Enterprise Services Toolkit
- Parse MFS source files to generate **EAR** (Enterprise Application Resource)
 - XMI files
 - 3 service definition files (i.e. WSDLs)
 - input and output beans
 - Java, EJB and SOAP proxies

▲ **MFS Adapter & Generator**

- generate format handlers to be included as part of **EAR** for data marshalling



MFS as a Web Services



MFS Functions supported by MFS Web Services

- Support for MFS statements

- MSG
- MSGEND
- LPAGE
- PASSWORD
- SEG
- MFLD
- FMT
- FMTEND
- DEV
- DIV
- DPAGE
- DFLD
- TABLE
- IF
- ALPHA
- COPY
- DO
- END
- ENDDO
- EQU
- RESCAN
- STACK
- TABLEEND
- UNSTACK



MFS Functions supported by MFS Web Services

- **Support for device types**

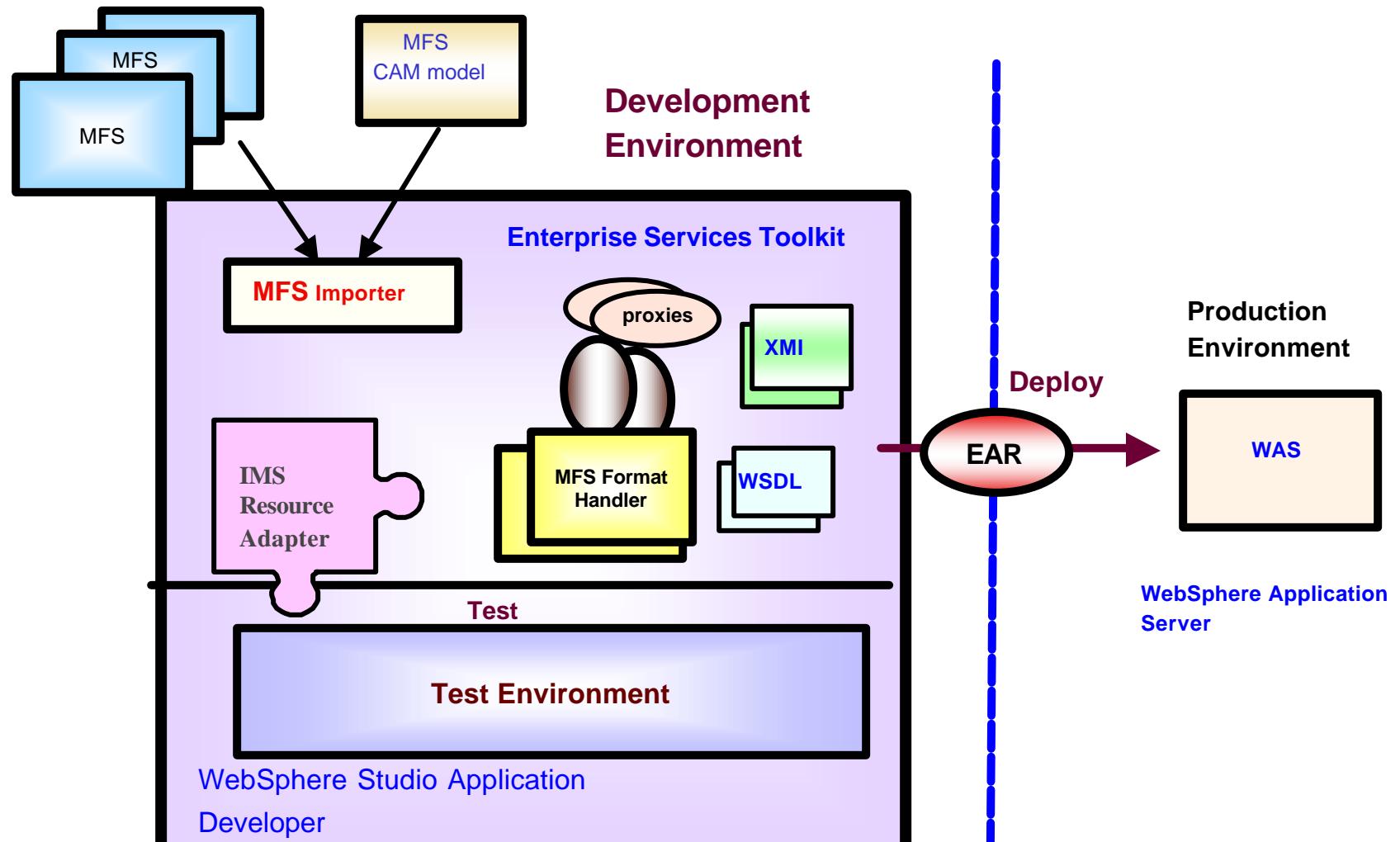
- 3270
- 3270,1
- 3270,2
- 3270P
- 3270-AN
- Other devices not supported but tolerated for syntax check

- **Support for MFS features**

- Application Output with MODNAME
- DBCS
- Logical paging
- Message option 1 and 2 for input
- Message option 1 and 2 for output
- Physical pages
- System literals for date, time, and LPAGENO



MFS Web Services & WSAD-IE 5.0.1

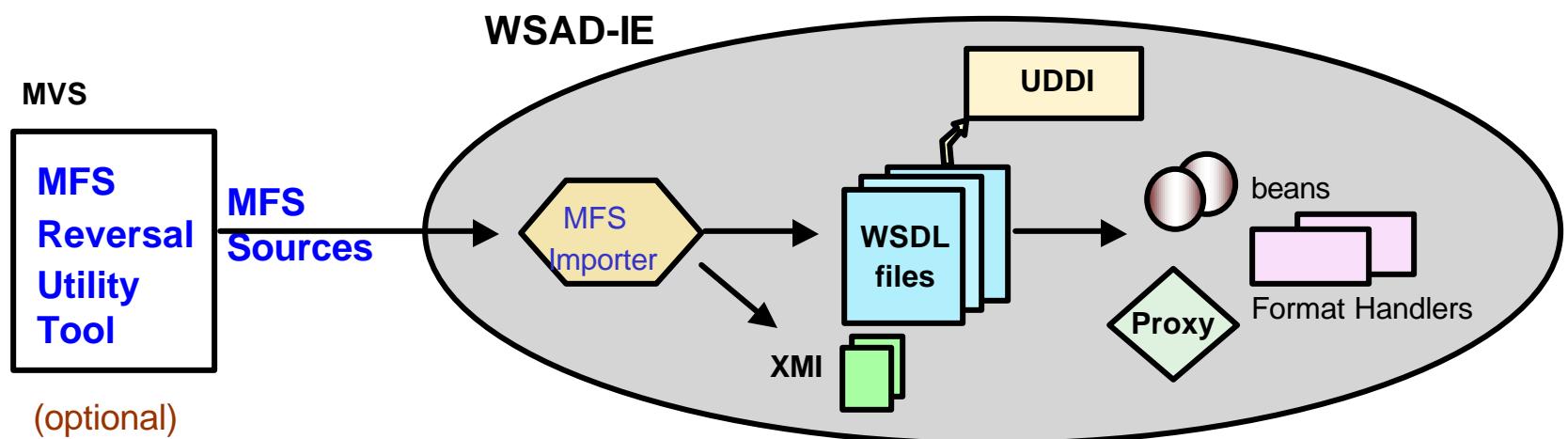


IMS MFS Web Services - Tooling Support

Importing Step 1 out of 4

- No source? No problem!

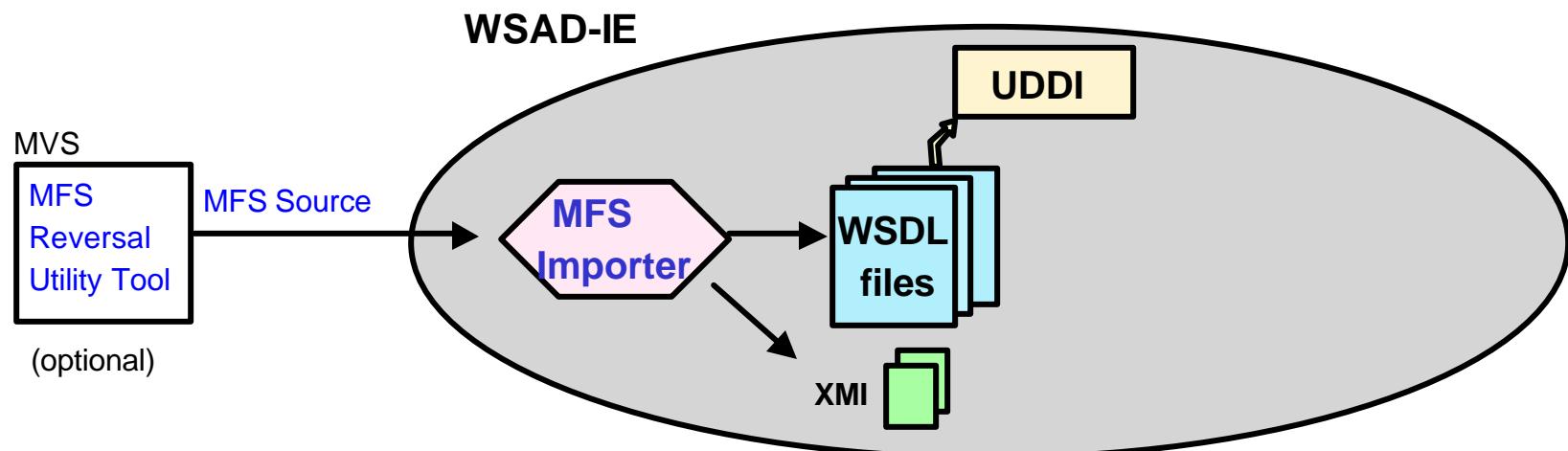
- MFS Reversal Utility Tool
 - MFS Format Library ➤ MFS source files



IMS MFS Web Services - Tooling Support ...

Importing Step 2 out of 4

- MFS Importer
 - DBCS, Code page
 - Parse results stored in log file
 - Generate XMI files
 - Filter on device type and feature
 - Generate WSDL (Web Service Description Language) files
 - Binding, Service, and Interface WSDL files
 - Publish to UDDI



MFS WSDL Files

- **Interface WSDL file:**

- **Input and Output XML Schema types**
- **Multiple outputs support**
- **Input logical paging support (future item)**

- **Binding WSDL file:**

- **Operation properties**
- **Format Handler mapping**

```
<binding name="IMSBinding" type="tns:x">
    <ims:binding></ims:binding>
    +<format:typeMapping encoding="ibmmfs">
    +<operation name="runOperation">
</binding>
...

```

Binding. WSDL

```
- <complexType name="MID_Page1">
    <sequence>
        + <element name="Field1">
            ...
        </sequence>
    </complexType>
- <complexType name="ResponseType">
    <choice>
        <element name="MOD1" type="xsd1:MOD1"/>
        <element name="MOD2" type="xsd1:MOD2"/>
        <element name="MOD3" type="xsd1:MOD3"/>
    </choice>
</complexType>
+ <complexType name="MOD1">
+ <complexType name="MOD2">
+ <complexType name="MOD3">
...

```

Interface.WSDL

- **Service WSDL file:**

- **IMS host connection properties**

```
<service name="IMSService">
    <port binding="tns:IMSBinding" name="IMSPort">
        <ims:address dataStoreName="SOCKEYE"
                      hostName="ecxxx" portNumber="9999"/>
    </port>
</service>
...

```

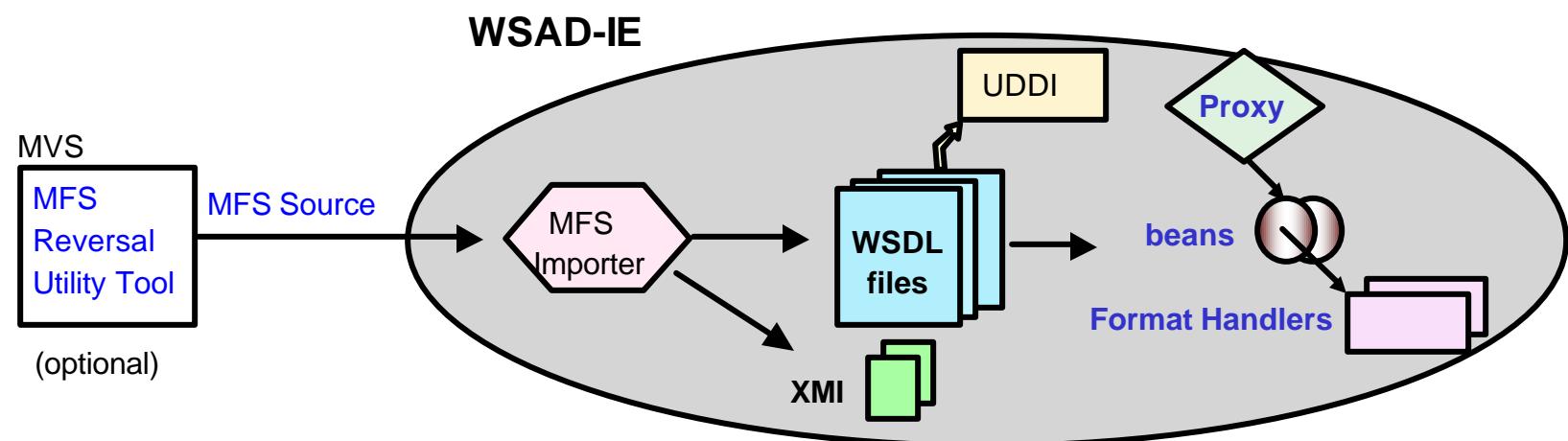
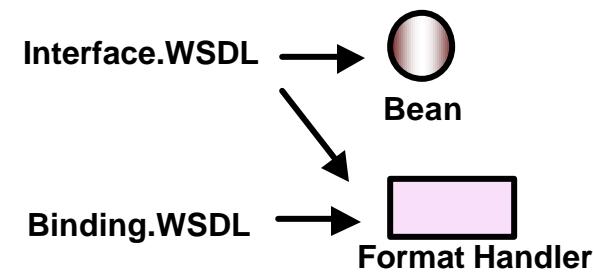
Service. WSDL



IMS MFS Web Services - Tooling Support ...

Importing Step 3 out of 4

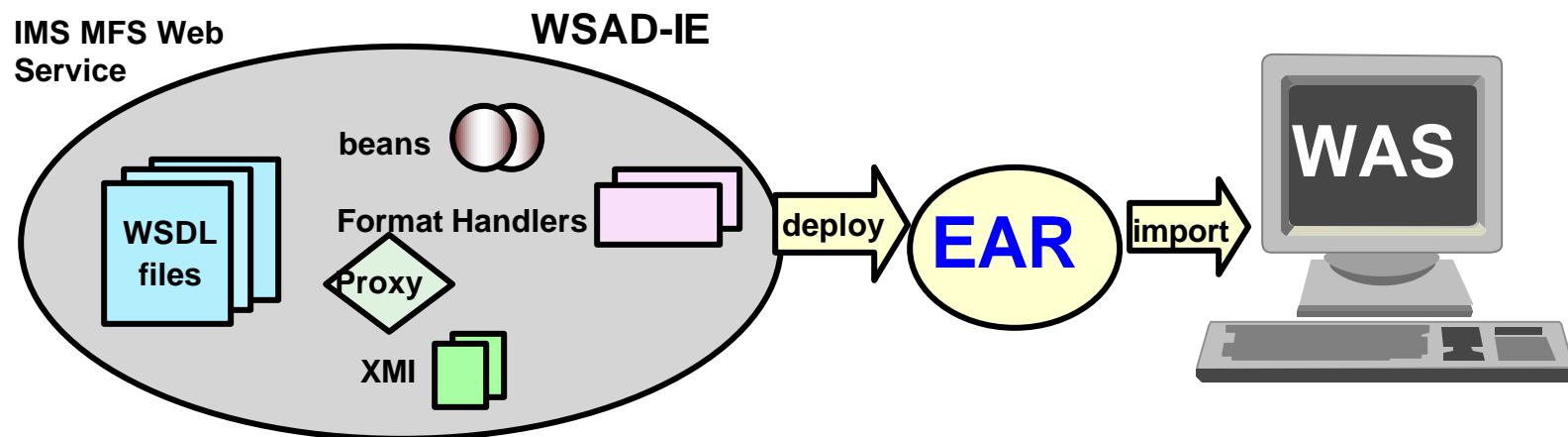
- Code generators
 - beans, format handlers, proxy



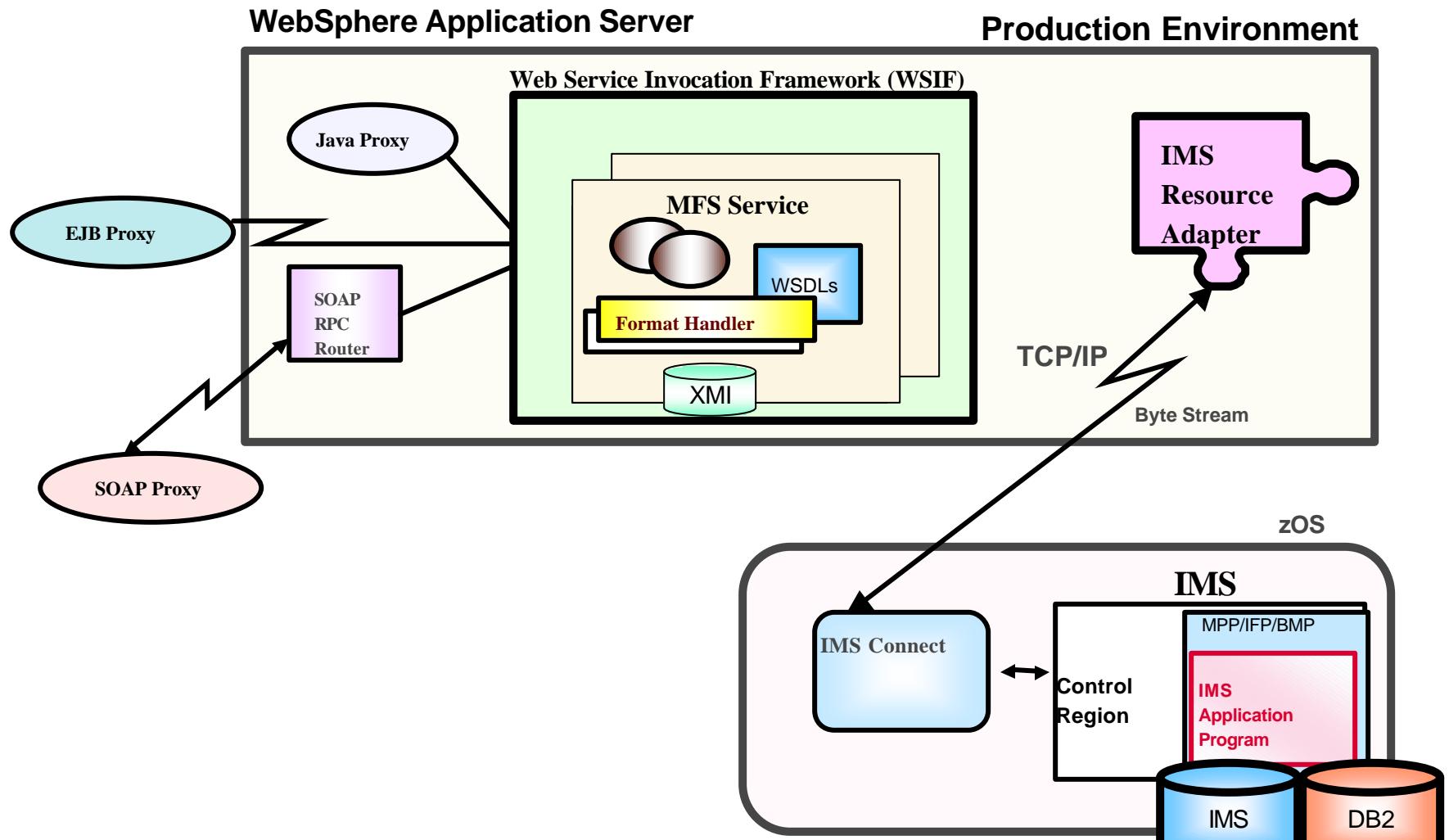
IMS MFS Web Services - Tooling Support ...

Importing Step 4 out of 4

- Deployment to server
 - Package EAR file
 - XMI repository
 - Local WAS (Websphere Unit Test Environment) vs. WASEE or zOS WAS



MFS Web Services & WebSphere Application Server



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Future Requirements

■ MFS Web Enablement

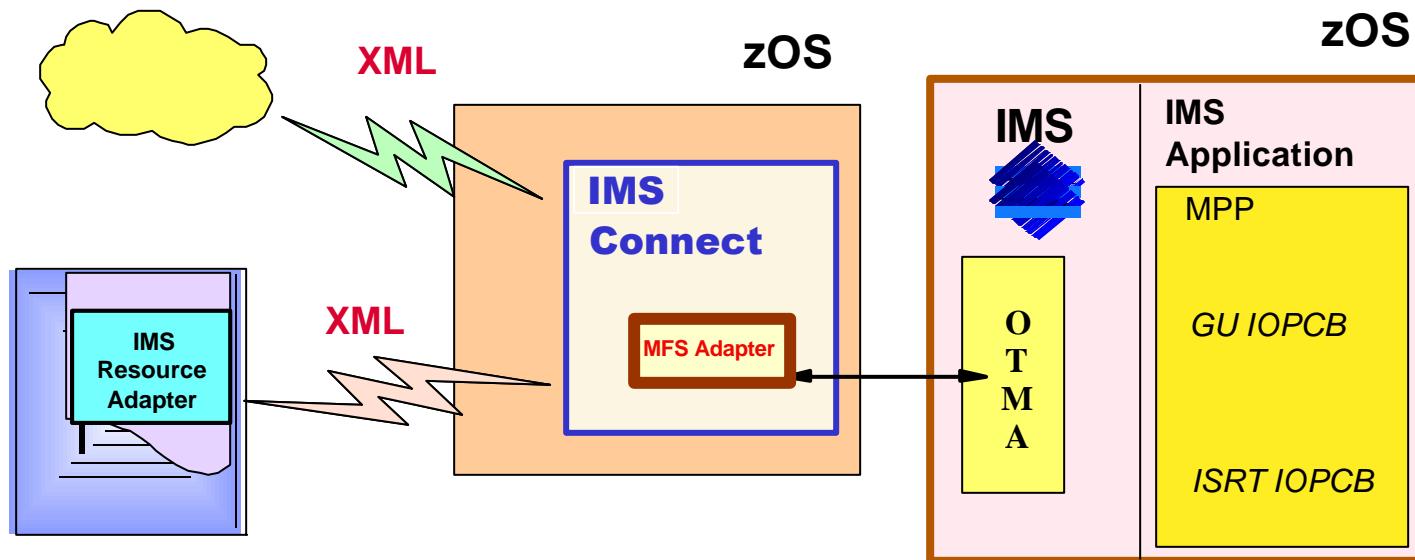
- ❖ Much of the MFS XMI metadata is unused in the Web Services paradigm
 - display information (e.g. Position, Color)
 - control functions (e.g. Next Logical Page)
 - dynamic output based on input
- ❖ MFS data transformation (MFS Adapter) can occur
 - Inside WebSphere Application Server, and/or
 - Inside IMS Connect
- ❖ This metadata could be used for rendering displays on new modern devices, extending the use of MFS without modifying existing applications
 - Web browser
 - cell phones
 - PDAs
- ❖ MFS command line utility



Future Requirements ...

▪ MFS Web Enablement

- data transformation inside IMS Connect



Future Requirements ...

- **MFS SOAP & Web Services**
 - IMS SOAP Gateway

