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## Rapidly deploy existing CICS applications into a J2EE-based Service Oriented Architecture

global transactional integrity with CICS Transaction Gateway V6.1

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*SOA on your terms and our expertise*



# Today's Agenda - SOA

*The main topics for consideration over the next 50 minutes*

- **What is Service Orientation and SOA? and how does it relate to my zSeries enterprise assets?**
- **What is the CICS Transaction Gateway? And how does it help me achieve a SOA?**
- **What is 'two-phase commit'? Why do I need it? How does it work?**
- **Where does all this fit in to the 'Big Picture'?**
- **Any questions?**



# What is SOA?

*(A familiar concept for CICS system programmers)*

## ... a service?

A **repeatable business task** – e.g.,  
check customer credit;  
open new account

## ... service orientation?

A way of integrating your  
**business as linked services**  
and the outcomes that  
they bring

## ... service oriented architecture (SOA)?

An IT **architectural style** that supports  
service orientation

## ... a composite application?

A set of **related & integrated** services that  
support a business  
process built on an SOA



# SOA is not just for new development

*Bank of Montreal assembles mainframe-based assets*



## *What is the business challenge?*

Revitalize customer relationship management across multiple banking channels

### *Benefits*

- Unified view of customer for personal banking line of business
- Existing investments preserved and re-used

### *Action taken*

- Re-used and assembled CICS assets with new Web services interfaces into new CRM business process
- Used CICS Transaction Server, CICS Transaction Gateway and IBM Application Development tooling
- Web service interfaces deployed on WebSphere Application Server on zSeries to access CICS assets

# The Value of the IBM SOA Foundation

*Provides What You Need to Get Started with SOA*

*IBM SOA Foundation: Integrated, open set of software, best practice, and patterns*

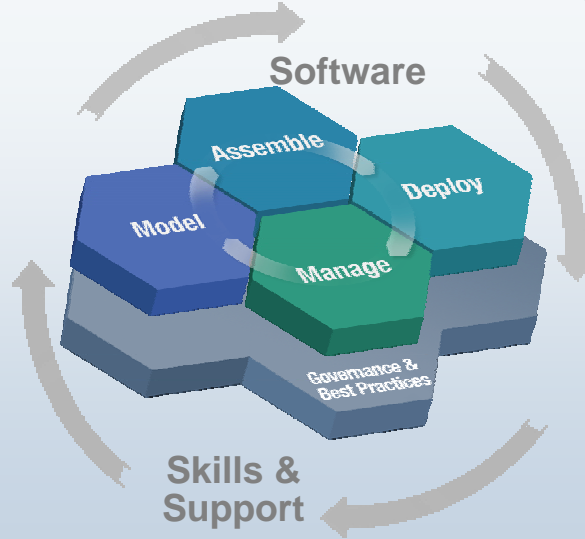
Supports complete lifecycle with a **modular** approach

**Extends value** of your existing investments, regardless of vendor

**Scalable**; start small and grow as fast as the business requires

Extensive business and IT standards support; facilitating greater **interoperability & portability**

## IBM SOA Foundation



### Leveraging existing IT Infrastructure



CICS



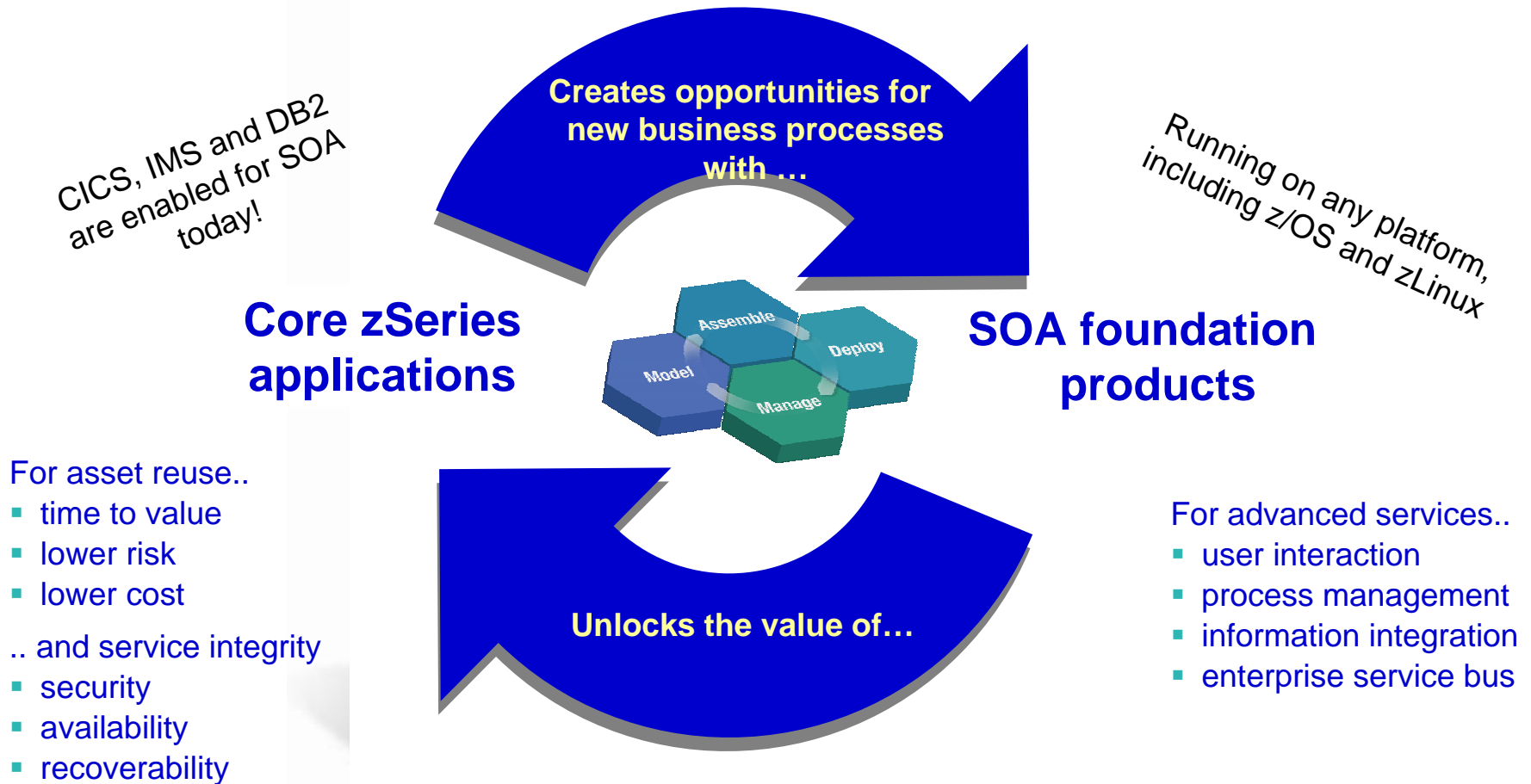
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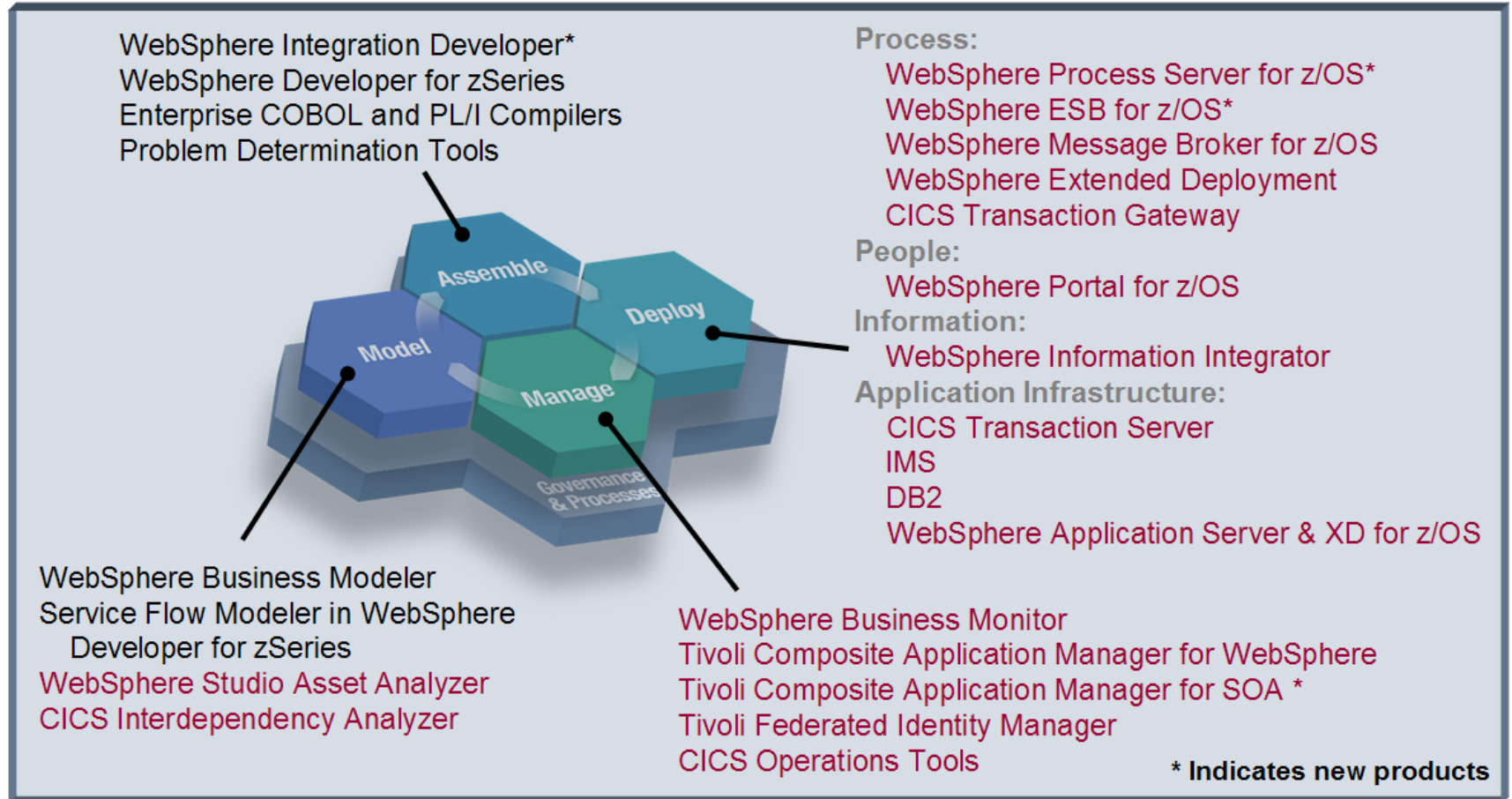
# SOA on zSeries – Modernizing your most valuable assets!

Extend and enrich core CICS, IMS and WebSphere applications



# Announcing New and Enhanced Products

## Strengthening the IBM SOA Foundation



Indicates products currently running – or with stated plans to run – natively on System z9 and zSeries.

Indicates Eclipse-based products running on distributed platforms/workstations, and can deploy composite applications on System z9 and zSeries.



# Introducing the CICS Transaction Gateway

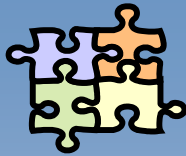
*Rapidly deploy existing CICS applications in a SOA*



## Plumbing

*Primary connector into CICS*

- High performing and scalable inbound connector to CICS applications
- Provides connectors to COMMAREA and 3270-based CICS applications



## Interfaces

*Java and non-Java API's*

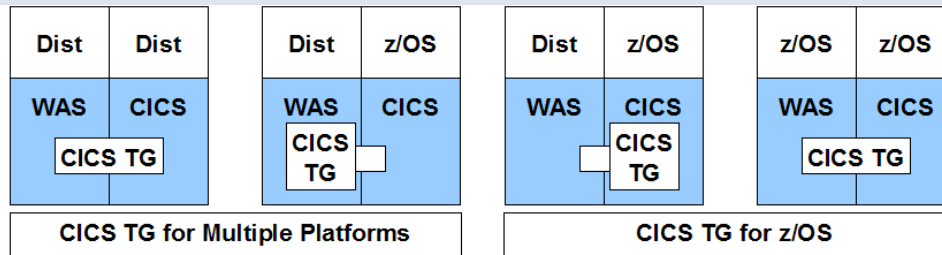
- Standard JCA interface is strategic and provides best Quality of Service
- Base Java, C, C++, COBOL and COM interfaces are supported but stabilized



## Integration

*WebSphere, CICS and others*

- Every in support CICS server on every platform to WebSphere SOA foundation servers
- 5 SNA servers (AIX, Windows, Linux on zSeries)



Good ← Qualities of Service → Best

## Supported Platforms

- IBM's flagship z/OS
- Linux on Intel, POWER, & zSeries
- AIX, HP-UX and Solaris
- Windows



# Key characteristics of IBM CICS Transaction Gateway

*IBM's most popular connector from WebSphere to CICS*

- Popular with the business community because:
  - **High performing**
    - Can support thousands of Transactions Per Second (TPS) with optimised data handling
  - **Secure**
    - Industry standard Secure Socket Layer (SSL) implementation and good integration with CICS and z/OS
  - **Scalable**
    - Multi-Threaded technology and load balancing capabilities maximise scalability and availability
- Popular with the technical community because:
  - **Ease of System Administration**
    - Minimal changes to CICS and usually no changes to CICS applications
    - Simple, familiar mechanisms to configure and manage your gateway
  - **Ease of Application Development**
    - Implements the industry standard J2EE Connector Architecture (JCA) interface
    - Transactional scope, connection pooling and security context all managed outside of the application for easier development

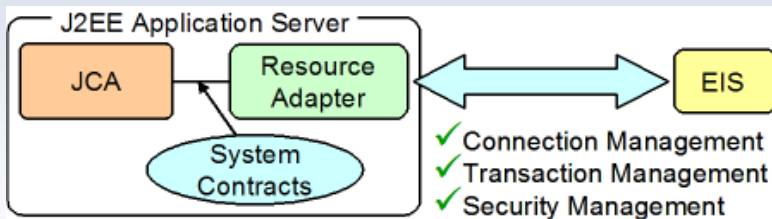
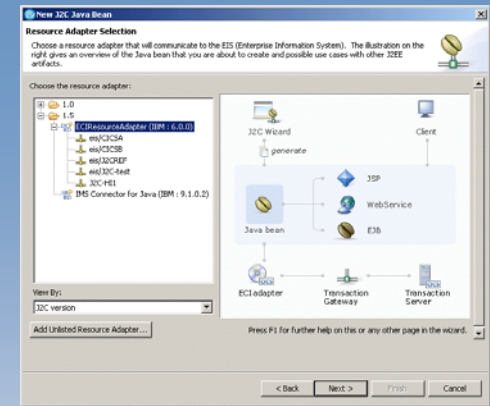
## In summary, IBM CICS Transaction Gateway delivers:

- High-performing, security-rich and scalable J2EE standards-based access to CICS applications
- Requiring minimal changes to CICS systems and usually no changes to existing CICS programs

# The J2EE Connector Architecture (JCA)

*J2EE standards based access to Enterprise Information Systems*

- A component of the Java™ 2 Platform Enterprise Edition specification, alongside other standard services, such as JMS, JDBC and JNDI
- Standard programming interface to all Enterprise Information Systems (EIS), such as CICS, IMS and SAP
- Widely supported in education materials and software tooling from IBM and non IBM vendors
- Delegated management of Connections, Transactions and Security for better, faster application development



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## In summary, the J2EE Connector Architecture (JCA):

- Enables better applications to be developed faster

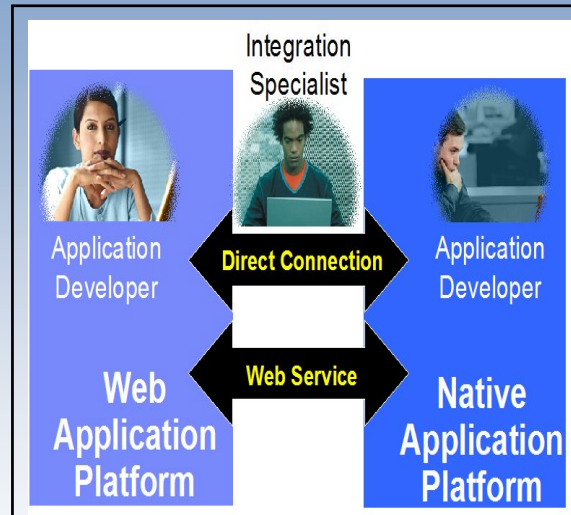
# Direct Connection or Web Service into CICS?

## *Comparing and contrasting two complimentary SOA technologies*

- The difference between a 'direct connection' and a 'Web service' depends on whether or not the presentation applications are directly bound to the business logic.
- 'Tightly coupled' direct connections and 'loosely coupled' Web services coexist to fully exploit the agility of an on demand environment

### Direct Connection

- High QoS Today
- Mature technologies
- Existing application interfaces
- Few application/system level changes required
- Good where application has fewer reusable purposes



### Web Services

- QoS improving via standards
- Emerging technologies
- Web Services interface
- Some application/system level changes required
- Good where application has many reusable purposes

### **In summary, IBM provides different CICS integration technologies to:**

- Exploit an appropriate set of complimentary technologies needed for different business problems
- Integrate all your CICS assets in an enterprise class Service Oriented Architecture

# CICS Transaction Gateway Version 6.0

*Delivers major enhancements in four key value areas*

## Qualities of Service

- Performance enhancements and product optimizations via exploitation of the latest J2EE and Linux standards
- Considerable availability and scalability enhancement on our flagship z/OS platform

## Systems Management

- Improved administration of the connector through a more functional interface, better aligned with the native operating environment
- Problem determination and management has been enhanced through better recording and control of system information

## Security

- Enhanced support for the Industry leading SSL protocol enables fine tuned control of your network security
- Exploitation of the advanced z/OS security features provides a faster and more comprehensive security solution

## Ease of Use

- New, industry standard installations vastly simplify the process of installing, migrating and applying maintenance
- Redesigned and searchable Eclipse-based information center provides a greatly improved interface for online documentation

IBM CICS Transaction Gateway for Multiplatforms V6.0

IBM CICS Transaction Gateway for z/OS V6.0

IBM CICS Transaction Gateway for Multiplatforms V6.01

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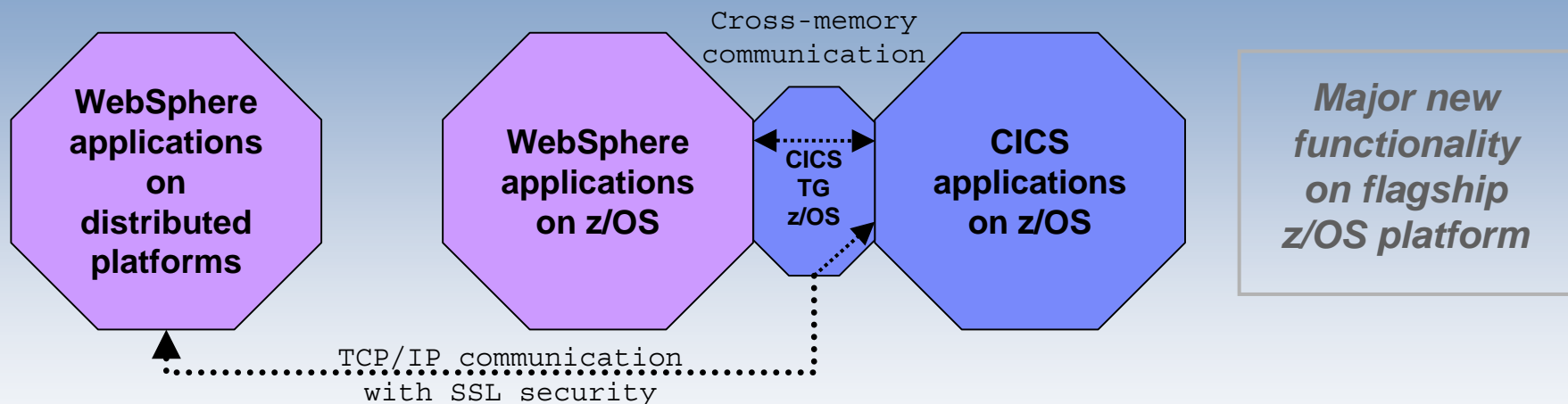
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# CICS Transaction Gateway for z/OS Version 6.1

*Delivers major enhancements in two key value areas*

## Maximum Transactional Integrity

- Provides global transactional integrity through support for the XA transaction standard
- Adds two-phase commit transactional integration between distributed WebSphere applications and CICS applications running on z/OS



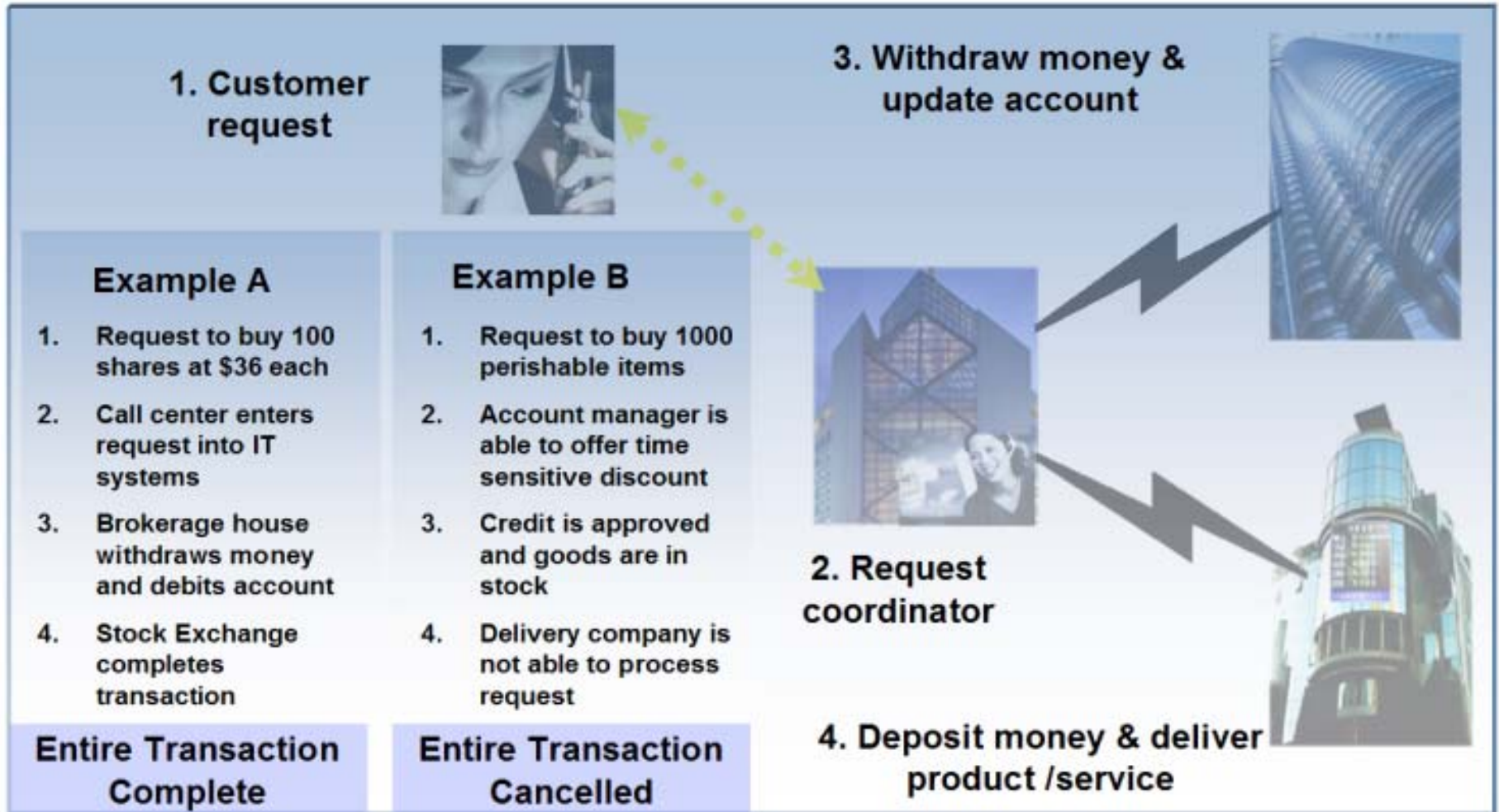
## Enhanced Communications

- Delivers four major enhancements to the reliability, availability and serviceability (RAS) of TCP/IP network communications



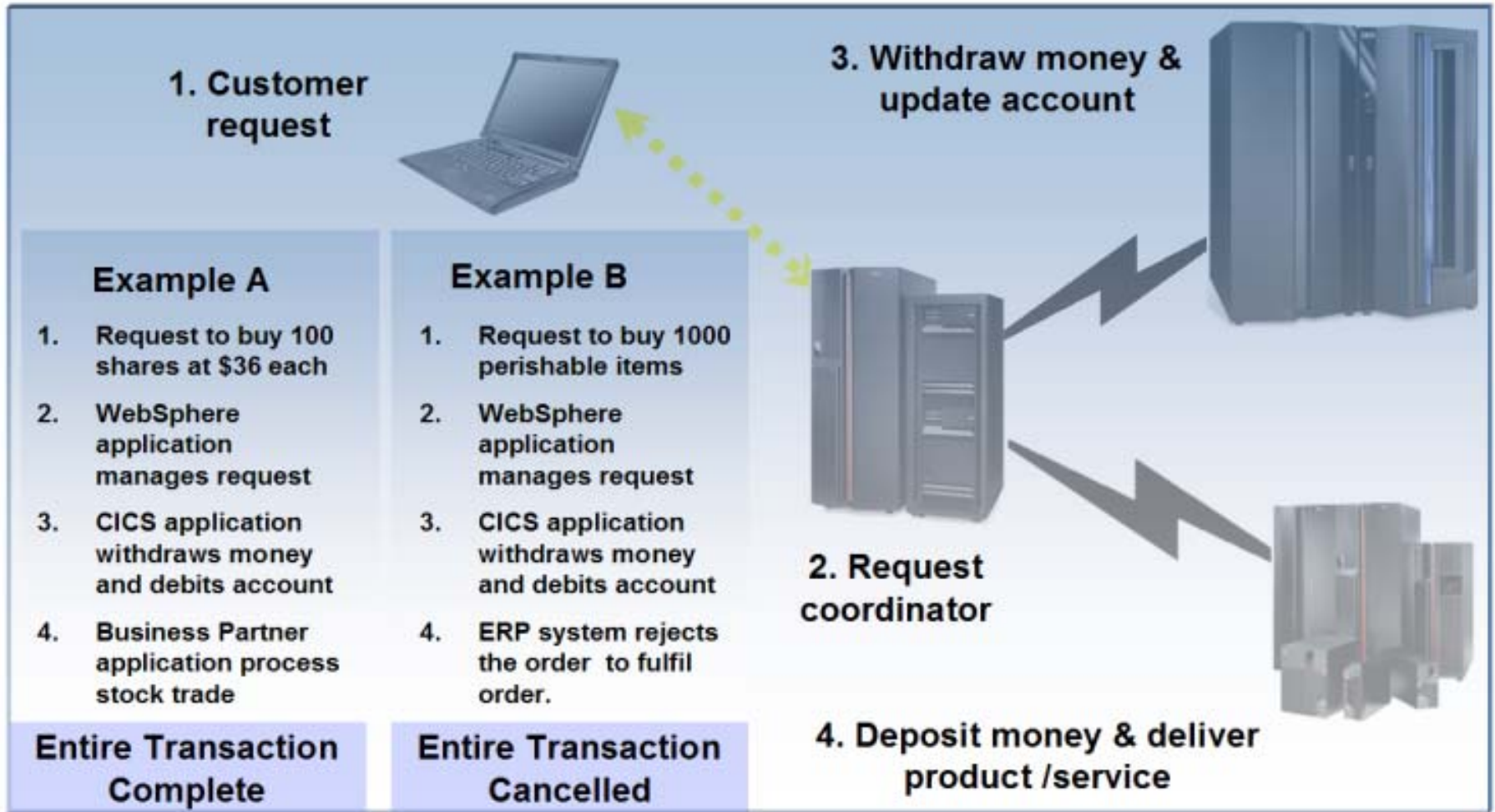
# The business value of coordinated transactions

*Updating multiple business systems whilst maintaining data integrity*



# The technical importance of transactional integrity

*Ensuring data integrity across distributed, heterogeneous systems*





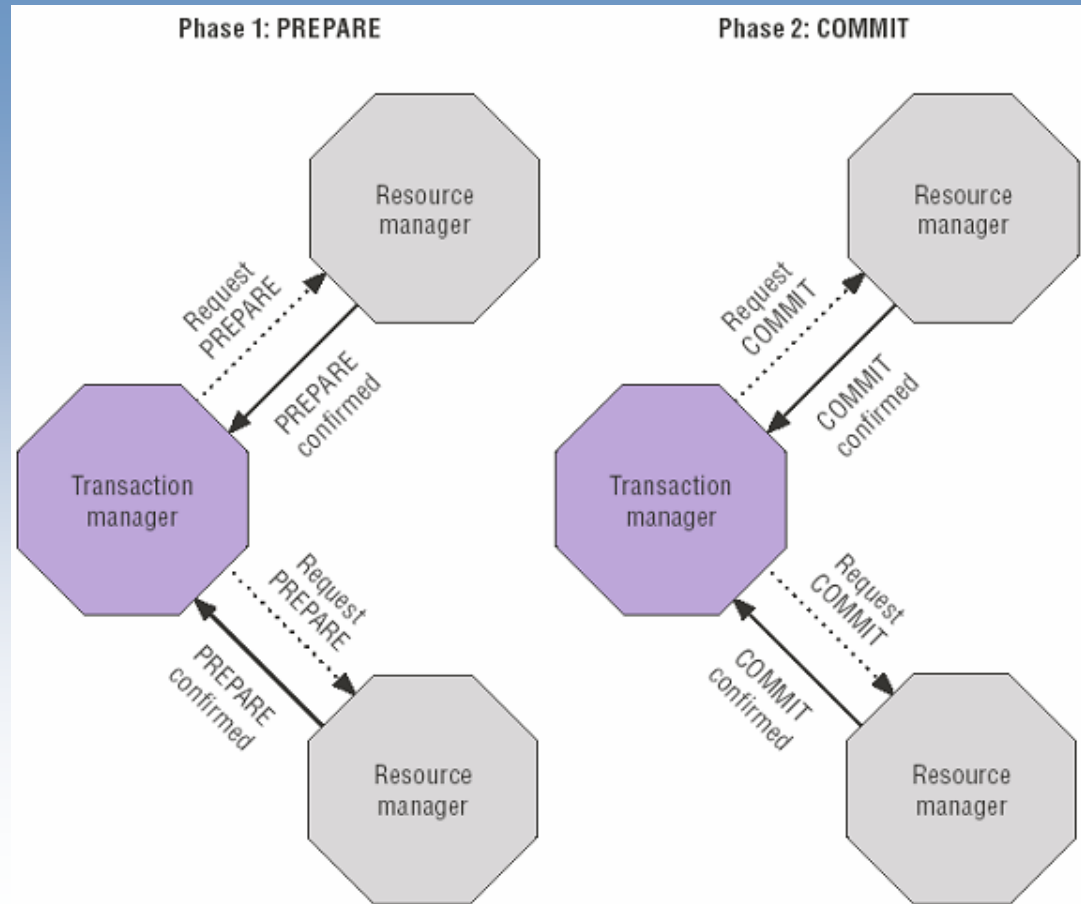
# Two-phase commit in the CICS Transaction Gateway

*Maintaining data integrity across multiple resource managers*

CICS Transaction Gateway for z/OS V6.1 implements the XA Specification, two-phase commit (2PC) protocol.

2PC requires a PREPARE command to be confirmed by each resource manager, before a COMMIT command makes all transaction changes permanent.

Two-phase commit, XA transactional coordination is implemented as part of the JCA 1.5 specification.



# The BIG picture

## *Snapping together the building blocks of a Service Oriented Architecture*

- Lets look at what we have created:
  - **A Service..**
    - Reused multiple, separate and disparate business services
  - **A Service Orientation**
    - Discovered ways to connect separate business services together to form an innovative solution
  - **A Service Oriented Architecture**
    - Used J2EE standards based technologies to begin to form a part of your SOA Foundation
  - **A Composite Application**
    - Built a solution that encompasses many technologies in order to build new business value
    - And build an infrastructure for these applications that is flexible enough to respond to future requirements.

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- The CICS Transaction Gateway delivers high performing, security rich and scalable access to CICS
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# Summary – What we talked about

*Rapidly deploy existing CICS applications into a J2EE-based SOA*



- Service Oriented Architecture
  - ▶ What is a Service Oriented Architecture
  - ▶ Modernizing your most valuable assets
  - ▶ IBM SOA Foundation and zSeries
- IBM CICS Transaction Gateway
  - ▶ Key Characteristics of CICS Transaction Gateway
  - ▶ The J2EE Connector Architecture (JCA)
  - ▶ Direct Connection or Web Service into CICS?
  - ▶ Enhancements in Version 6.0 and Version 6.1
- Maximum Transactional Integrity
  - ▶ Business Importance of coordinated business systems
  - ▶ Technical value of global transactional integrity
  - ▶ Two-Phase commit in CICS Transaction Gateway V6.1

## Core takeaway:

- SOA is about moving to a more flexible infrastructure
- The most important thing to do - is to start that journey now!

# Questions and More Resources

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[www.ibm.com/cics/ctg](http://www.ibm.com/cics/ctg)

The screenshot shows the IBM CICS Transaction Gateway website. The main heading is 'CICS Transaction Gateway'. Below it, there's an 'Overview' section with text describing the gateway as a high-performing, security-rich connector. A diagram below the text shows four different architectures: 'CICS TG for Multiple Platforms' (Dist WAS, Dist CICS), 'CICS TG for z/OS' (Dist WAS, Host CICS), 'CICS TG for z/OS' (Host WAS, Host CICS), and 'CICS TG for z/OS' (Host WAS, Host CICS). A horizontal axis labeled 'Qualities of Service' ranges from 'Good' to 'Best'. The text below the diagram states: 'CICS Transaction Gateway V6 currently runs in eight different operating environments, each providing a high-performing, security-rich and scalable solution. The qualities of service of the CICS Transaction Gateway are highest when deploying on the z/OS platform. This configuration provides higher performance and better management of connections, security and...'

## ■ Any Questions?

### ■ Website is the best place for up to date information:

- ▶ Announcement Letters
- ▶ Datasheets/Brochures
- ▶ Redbooks
- ▶ Whitepapers
- ▶ Presentations
- ▶ Technical Library
- ▶ And more....

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