

IBM IMS

IMS 11 Open Database Modernizing IMS Database Access

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IMS SOA Strategy



- Protect customer investments by making it easy, flexible and cost efficient to reuse and modernize IMS applications and data
- Fully integrate with WebSphere/Rational servers and tooling in a service-oriented architecture (SOA) environment
- Encourage new application development by supporting standards – e.g. XML, SOAP, Java, JDBC, etc.
- Partner with ISVs to facilitate IMS-SOA exploitation

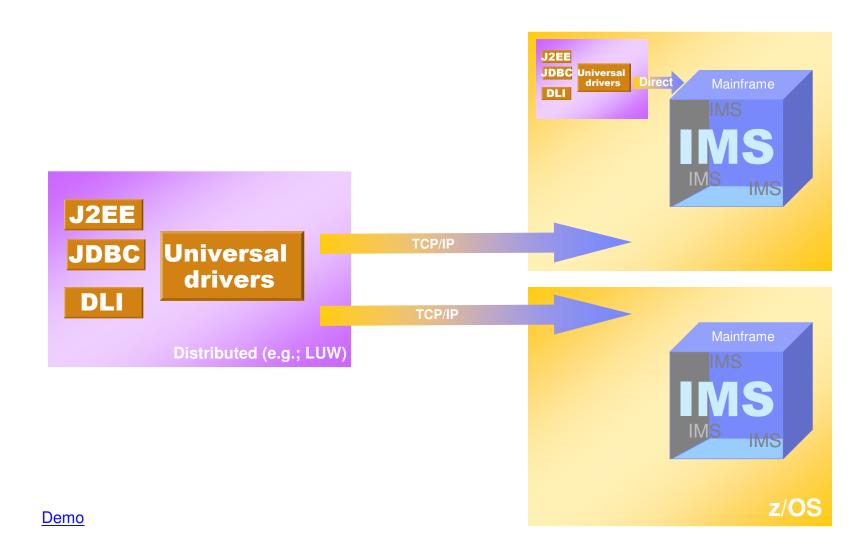


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- Solution Statement
 - Open new avenues to IMS
 - Offer scalable, distributed, and high-speed local access to IMS database resources
- Value
 - Business growth
 - Allow more flexibility in accessing IMS data to meet growth challenges
 - Market positioning
 - Allow IMS databases to be processed as a standards-based data server
- Key differentiators
 - Standards-based approach (Java Connector Architecture, JDBC, SQL, DRDA)
 - Solution packaged with IMS
- Enables new application design frameworks and patterns
 - JCA 1.5 (Java EE)
 - JDBC



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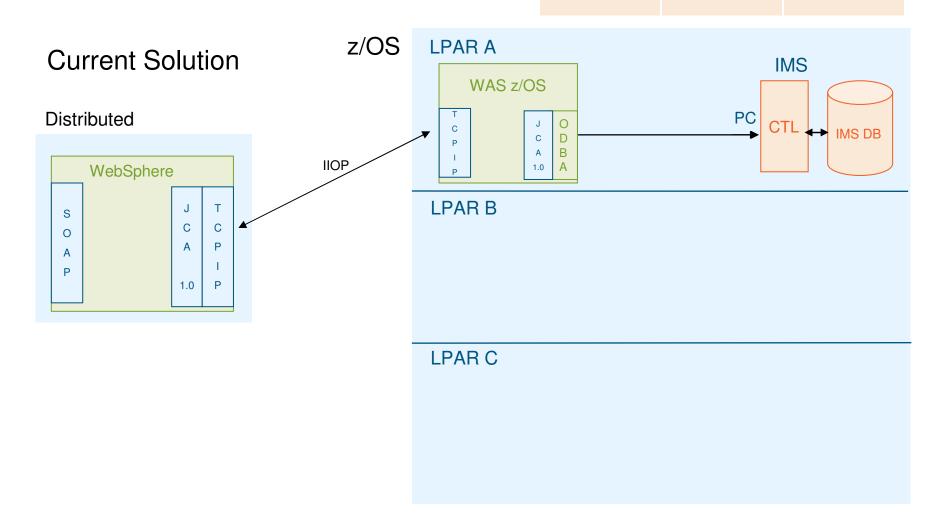


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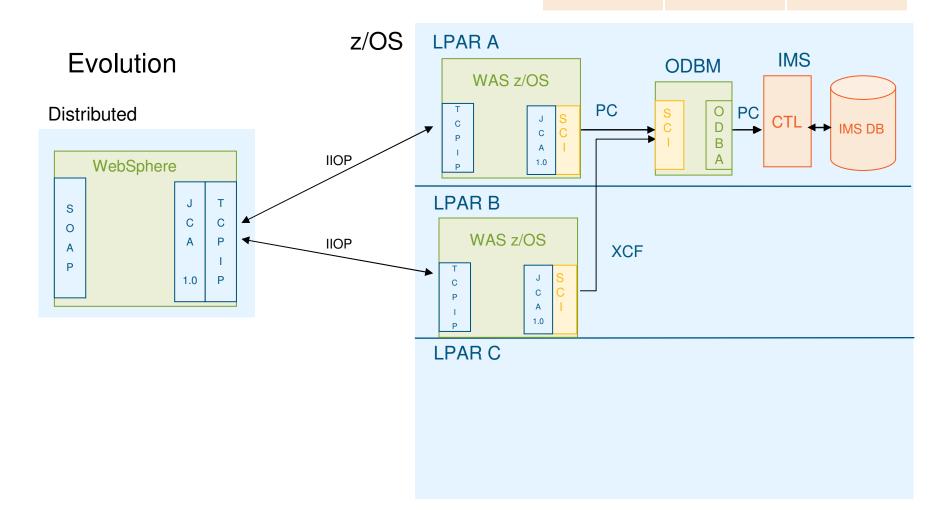


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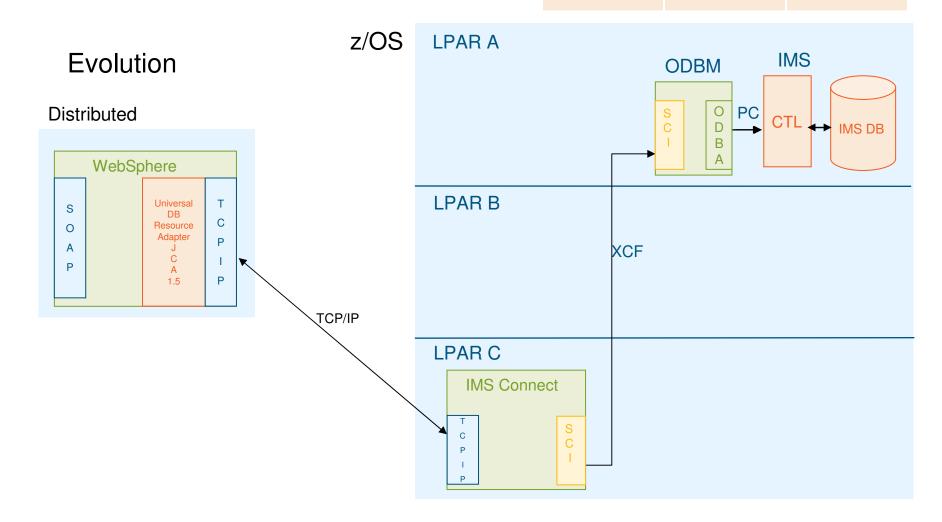


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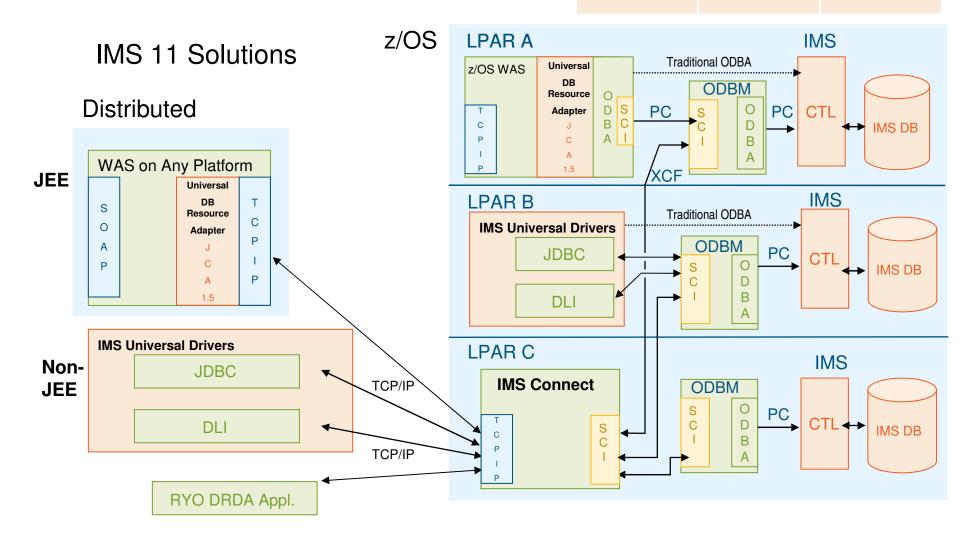


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Solution highlights – Universal drivers

Three Universal drivers

- Universal DB resource adapter
 - JCA 1.5
 - XA transaction support, Local transaction support
 - Connection pooling
 - Connection sharing
 - Multiple programming models available
 - > JDBC
 - > CCI with SQL interactions
 - > CCI with DLI interactions
- Universal JDBC driver
- Universal DLI driver

Distributed access

- All Universal drivers support type 4 connectivity to IMS databases from TCP/IP enabled platforms and runtimes
 - Windows
 - zLinux
 - z/OS
 - WebSphere Application Server
 - Standalone Java SE
- Resource Recovery Services (RRS) is NOT required if applications do not require distributed two phase commit



Solution highlights – local connectivity

- Local connectivity
 - Universal drivers will support type 2 connectivity to IMS databases from z/OS runtimes
 - WebSphere Application Server for z/OS
 - IMS Java dependent regions
 - CICS

- DB2 z/OS stored procedures
- All environments zAAP eligible



Solution highlights - JDBC

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- The two Universal drivers for JDBC IMS Universal DB Resource Adapter and IMS Universal JDBC Driver - offer a greatly enhanced JDBC implementation
 - JDBC 3.0

- Local commit/rollback support
- Standard SQL implementation for the SQL subset supported
 - Keys of parent segments are included in table as foreign keys
 - Allows Standard SQL implementation
- Updatable result sets
- Metadata discovery API implementation
 - Uses metadata generated by DLIModel Utility as "catalog data"
 - Enables JDBC tooling to work with IMS DBs just as they do with DB2 DBs



Java DL/I Access

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- The IMS Universal DL/I Driver provides a DL/I Call interface for Java applications in a Java SE environment
 - Completely re-architected and rewritten
 - Rich in function

- Usable in distributed or z/OS environments
- The IMS Universal DB Resource Adapter not only supports JDBC, but also fully supports the JCA 1.5 CCI interaction specification
 - SQLInteractionSpec class provides SQL call interaction
 - DLIInteractionSpec class provides simple DL/I call interaction
 - RETRIEVE, CREATE, UPDATE, DELETE functions



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Comparison of programming approaches for accessing IMS:

Approach	Scenario
Use the JCA 1.5-compliant IMS distributed DB resource adapter	Accessing IMS data through TCP/IP from a J2EE application that resides on a distributed non-z/OS platform or a z/OS platform that is on a different LPAR from the IMS subsystem.
Use the type-4 JDBC driver or the DL/I for Java API	Accessing IMS data through TCP/IP from a Java application (non-J2EE) that resides on a distributed non-z/OS platform or a z/OS platform that is on a different LPAR from the IMS subsystem.
Use the type-2 JDBC driver or the DL/I for Java API	Accessing IMS data from a local z/OS runtime such as IMS Java Dependent regions, WebSphere Application Server for z/OS, DB2 z/OS Java stored procedures, or CICS Java transactions. All runtimes are on the same LPAR as the IMS subsystem.



Solution highlights - virtual foreign keys

Foreign keys

- Referential constraint between two tables
 - Used to link information together and have linkage managed by the DBMS
- Identifies a column (or set of columns) in one referencing table that refers to a column (or set of columns) in another referenced table
- Columns in referencing table must be the primary key in the referenced table
- Row in the referencing table cannot contain values that don't exist in the referenced table
- Cannot insert a row in a referencing table unless the column identified as the foreign key exists in the referenced table
 - Establishes a hierarchy in a relational database
- Think IMS...cannot insert a dependent segment unless the parent segment exists
 - Virtually represent foreign keys in each segment which are comprised of keys of each parent segment
 - Fully integrate this into the metadata exposed via JDBC for tooling to consume
 - These fields actually do exist in the key feedback area



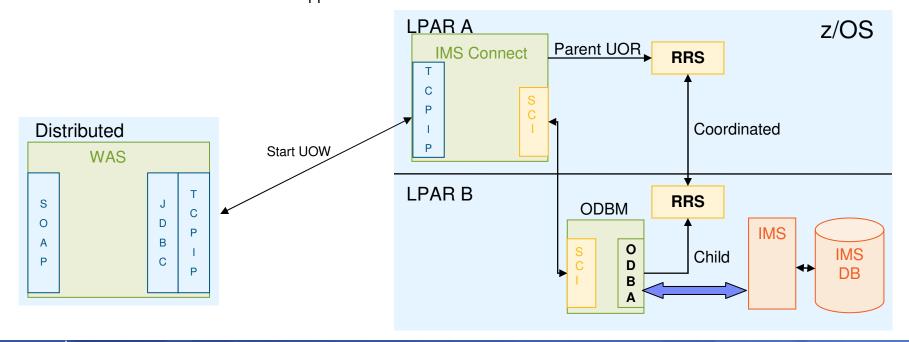
Solution highlights - XA

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- Distributed Syncpoint (global transaction) requires RRS on z/OS
- Use of RRS with ODBM is optional
 - RRS=Y|N parm for ODBM start-up
 - If RRS=Y (also the default), ODBM will use the ODBA interface (i.e. AERTDLI)
 - If RRS=N, ODBM will use the DRA interface like CICS
 - Global transactions are not supported if RRS=N





Solution highlights – SQL query governance

Value

- Offer a rules engine such that queries are as efficiently processed by IMS as possible
 - Offer customizable rules

Existing query governance

- Cannot execute SQL queries that filter (search) results based on fields not defined in a DBD
- Cannot execute SQL queries that join IMS segments that are not in the same hierarchic path

Additional SQL query governance candidates

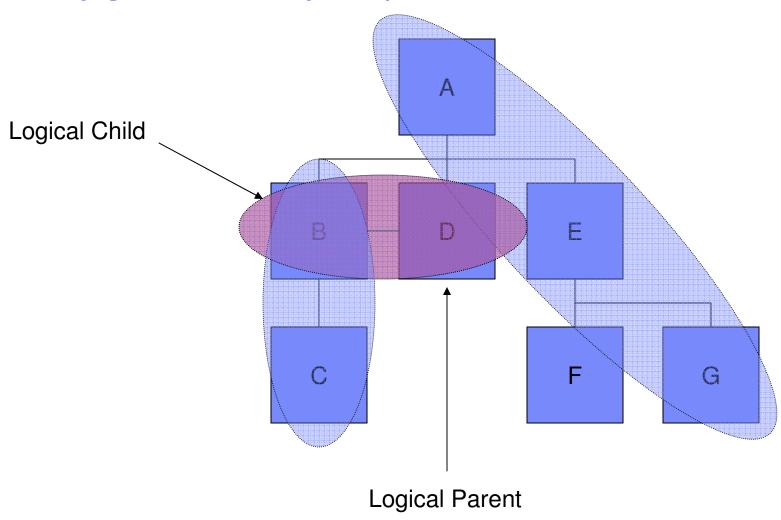
- Force key field usage at root levels
 - Customizable
- Periodic commit processing (internal) during long running update processing
 - Customizable
- Query explain

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Given a query, indicate DLI call processing that will take place

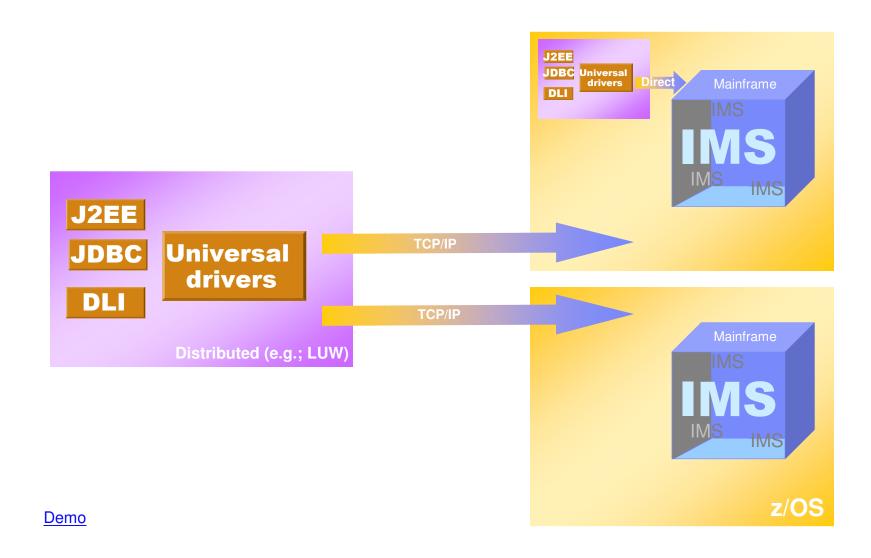


Query governance – join operations





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Solution highlights – IMS Connect and ODBM

- IMS Connect
 - TCP/IP endpoint for type 4 connectivity
 - Authentication engine for type 4 connectivity
 - Focal point for two phase commit for type 4 connectivity
 - Proxies one phase commit requests to ODBM
- Open Database Manager (ODBM)
 - Processes type 4 database requests
 - Processes type 4 one phase commit requests
 - Authorization engine (via ODBA) for database access
 - Processes type 2 database requests when using ODBM compatibility for ODBA
 - Compatibility mode will allow ODBA to proxy requests to an ODBM address space on the same LPAR



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- IMS Connect has the following enhancements in support of IMS Open Database:
 - IMS Connect Configuration member HWSCFGxx
 - New ODACCESS statement
 - DRDA ports, timeout value, IMSplex name etc.
 - Changes to existing commands
 - VIEWHWS, VIEWDS, VIEWPORT
 - New Commands
 - STARTOD, STOPOD, STARTIA, STOPIA, VIEWIA, SETOAUTO
 - New User Exits

- HWSROUT0 Routing Exit for ODBM
 - can override the IMS alias and/or select the ODBM target
- HWSAUTH0 Security Exit for ODBM
 - can perform the authentication of the userid



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- IMS Connect Workload Distribution
 - Clients can specify an IMS datastore ("alias") to connect to (e.g.; part of JDBC connection URL)
 - Alias represents the IMS datastore that the client wants to send all requests to
 - Multiple Alias names for an IMS datastore can be defined in the ODBM configuration member
 - If the client sends a message with a blank alias, IMS Connect will route the message to an ODBM using a round robin algorithm
 - If an alias points to multiple ODBMs, IMS Connect will route the message to one of those ODBMs using a round robin algorithm



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- Open Database Manager (ODBM) is a new Common Service Layer component
 - Receives database connection requests from IMS Connect
 - Translates incoming database requests from the DDM protocol into DLI calls expected by IMS
 - Translates responses to the client into the DDM protocol
 - Manages connections to ODBA
- ODBM Configuration
 - PROCLIB members
 - ODBM BPE Configuration, ODBM BPE exit list, ODBM Initialization member CSLDIxxx, ODBM Configuration member – CSLDCxxx
 - CSLODBM procedure
 - ODBM execution parameters
- New type-2 commands
 - QUERY ODBM TYPE(option), UPDATE ODBM START|STOP(TRACE), UPDATE ODBM START|STOP(CONNECTION), UPDATE ODBM TYPE(CONFIG)
- Four new ODBM Exit Routines

IMS Connect and
ODBM together act as
the DRDA target
server



Leveraging Open Database



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What is Web 2.0?

Achieve Growth, Efficiency, and Collaboration with Web 2.0

- Enabling employees to be more productive, more knowledgeable, faster
- Situational applications
 - Leveraging enterprise data without necessarily having the full technical knowledge
- The web becomes a platform for delivery
- From a technology perspective, Web 2.0 uses AJAX, mashups, and feeds predominantly
- Mashups rated by Gartner as Top 10 Strategic Technology for 2008
 - Projected dominant model in 2010
 - http://www.gartner.com/it/page.jsp?id=530109
- Collaboration: Social networking (Facebook, LinkedIn)
- Simplification: Mashups, RIAs, Web services

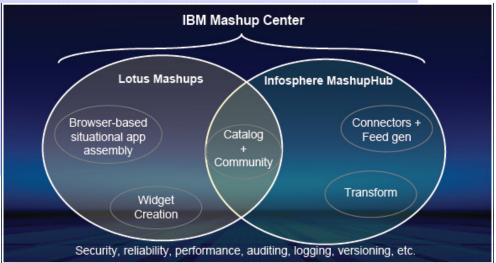




IBM Mashup Center Lotus Mashups + InfoSphere MashupHub

- Unleash business users from the limitations of fixed application landscapes
- Unlock information buried in information silos: enterprise, departmental,
 Web, and personal data
- Utilize visual tools for transforming and re-mixing Web 2.0-style feeds
- Quickly uncover new business insights
 - by easily assembling information from multiple sources in a browser – when it is needed
- Fuel Innovation while applying the appropriate levels of IT control

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http://www.ibm.com/software/info/mashup-center/



IBM InfoSphere MashupHub

A visual tool for creating, storing, transforming, and remixing feeds to be utilized in mashup, and a central catalog for users to tag, rate, and share mashable assets.



Transform and Mix:

Excel or CSV

Feed Registration

XML Document

- Importing Feeds
- Filtering Feeds
- Annotate Feeds
- Merge Feed
- Publish Feeds

Catalog

Sharing & discovery of mashable assets.



Create Feed from:

- Domino
- IBM Information Server
- IMS Transaction
- LDAP
- pureXML Document
- SAP
- Relational
- TDI
- Web Service



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IBM Lotus Mashups

Quickly Assemble and Share New Mashups

Browser-based tool supports quickly and easily on-the-glass assembly of situational applications by non-technical users.

- Easily Mix and Mash content without coding!
- Rapidly creation to address an immediate need of an individual or community
- Just-in-time solution
- Intuitive, on-the-glass wiring of widgets & feeds
- Increase agility by fostering reuse and rapid remix of content into new, compelling Web applications
- Support innovation and new business opportunities Reference: ftp://ftp.software.ibm.com/software/lotus/lotusweb/portal/why_mashups_matter.pdf



- •Share —public or by user/group.
- Automatic wiring
- Embed
- Save new assemblies as widgets
- Edit Source



IMS Web 2.0 support

- Solution Statement
 - Offer capability to expose IMS transaction assets as RESTful services for use in Web 2.0 mashups and Rich Internet Applications
- Value

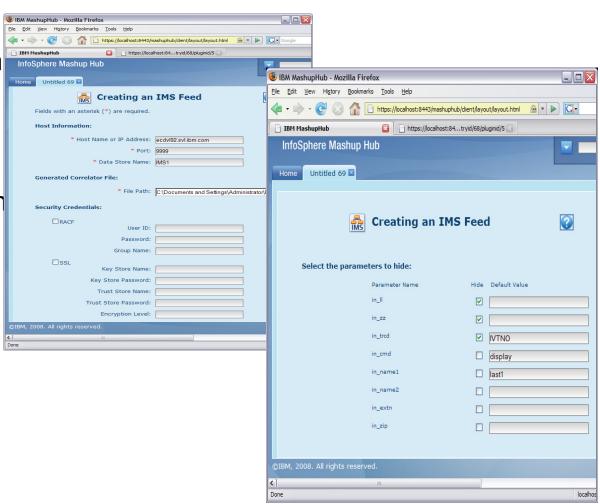
- Business growth
 - Allow more flexibility in accessing IMS to meet growth challenges
- Standards-based approach
 - Transaction feed creation leverages XML
- Key differentiators
 - Transaction feed creation panels customized specifically for IMS



Web 2.0 support for IMS Transactions (Mashup Center)

- IMS Transaction Editor
 - 1. Specify Connection Properties
 - Optional Security Settings
 - 2. Specify Transaction
 Parameter Properties
 - Default Values

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IBM Mashup Center

- IBM Mashup Center currently
 - Supports feed generation from several databases that offer JDBC implementations
 - DB2, IDS, Derby, Oracle, etc
 - Supports SQL query generation as part of feed creation
 - GUI panels to facilitate
- IMS V11

- Universal drivers offer a rich JDBC implementation
- Statement of direction
 - Support creation of RESTful services and feed generation using IMS databases as the feed source
 - Leverage Universal drivers for JDBC connectivity to IMS



Future Considerations

Universal drivers

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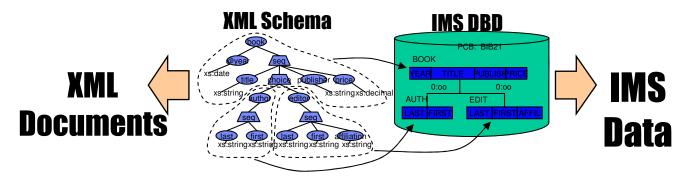
- XML-DB/XQuery support
- IMS simplification agenda
- Explore integration opportunities with other IBM offerings



IMS and XML data

- XML Database (IMS V9)
 - Introduces a way to view/map native IMS hierarchical data to XML documents
 - Aligns IMS Database (DBD) with XML Schema
 - Allows the retrieval and storage of IMS Records as XML documents with no change to existing IMS databases
- XQuery (IMS V10)

- Further aligns IMS with industry direction
 - XML, SOA, Web Services, etc.
- More natural fit for hierarchical data query
- Enables customers to leverage emerging standard skill set
- Enhanced product and tooling integration
- Immediately usable with *no change* to existing IMS databases





IMS Simplification Agenda



Current landscape

- re-THINK IMS campaign is gaining traction
 - Growing trend in customer base to modernize IMS applications
 - Enabling existing IMS transactions to be shared across the enterprise
 - Injecting Java workload into existing frameworks using Java technology built by IMS
 - New IMS workload growing
 - Java is more than ever a viable solution for new IMS transactions.
 - IMS database assets now more accessible than ever
 - Open Database and the Universal driver framework already showing signs of making a tremendous impact
 - Standards, standards
 - IMS is again a strategic DB of choice
- As good as the new technologies and IMS solutions are...
 - There are stumbling blocks that need to be addressed
 - We feel it is imperative that we remove them in order to continue the momentum



Issues

- Perception
 - IMS is 40+ years old...and therefore it and its surrounding technology are no longer state of the art
- Lack of knowledge regarding new IMS technology and solutions
 - Key decision makers are simply not aware of it
 - Reality is that IMS has not done a great job marketing itself the past decade
- Net result is that new application workload is targeted less for IMS than it should be
 - There are a lot of choices
 - Need to make sure IMS is in the list
 - Great new technology isn't enough...need more



Application development sticking points

- Resource creation
 - IMS wasn't built to be dynamic
 - Create new (and modify existing) databases
 - Create new transactions
- Application development support
 - The technology is there now...but
 - Opportunity to provide more assistance building new applications targeting IMS
- Application deployment and testing
 - Opportunity to provide more assistance deploying these applications and testing them



Application development needs

- Provide a collection of eclipse-based components to ease IMS application and resource development and deployment tasks
- IMS specific value-adds to IBM's strategic development environments
 - Provide code assistance to simplify development of IMS application
 - Provide graphical editors to simplify development of IMS resource definition
 - Leverage metadata repository
 - Provide interface for extensibility with IBM and vendor tools



Application development strategy

- Integration, not separation
 - Eclipse shell-sharing goes a long way towards integration with any Eclipse-based solution
 - -Similar approaches to similar logical functions so that the cross-over of learning is minimized
 - Panel integration where appropriate
- There will always be some aspects of similar tools that will be unique due to the differences in the underlying data technologies



IMS Simplification Strategy

- Simplify application development
 - Accelerate the development time for new IMS applications with an integrated development environment that supports a choice of programming languages, including COBOL, PL/I and Java
- Simplify IMS resource definition and management tasks
 - Provide a graphical toolkit to visualize IMS resource design, creation, and update
 - Automate deployment of changes without the requirements for a multi-step batch executive process
 - Resources include
 - Database
 - Application
 - Transaction

- Simplify IMS management
 - Focus on reducing skills required to configure, manage, operate, and monitor IMS resources, including IMS regions



