



IBM SOA PoT

## C3050 Information as a Service



## Agenda of IaaS (Information as a Service)

- **Overview Information as a Service – IaaS (Concepts, Use Cases)**
- **Fitting into SOA**
- **Usage Scenarios for Information Services**
- **SOA Information Architecture Considerations**
- **IBM Products**
- **Lab Intro**

**Overview**  
**laaS – Information as a Service**

## The Information Challenge

### Business Challenges

Globalization

M&As

Supply Chain

Risk & Compliance

Customer Loyalty

Operational Costs...

**Information  
Must Become a  
Strategic Asset**

### Information is in Silos

Multiple Versions

Inaccurate

Incomplete

Inaccessible

Untimely

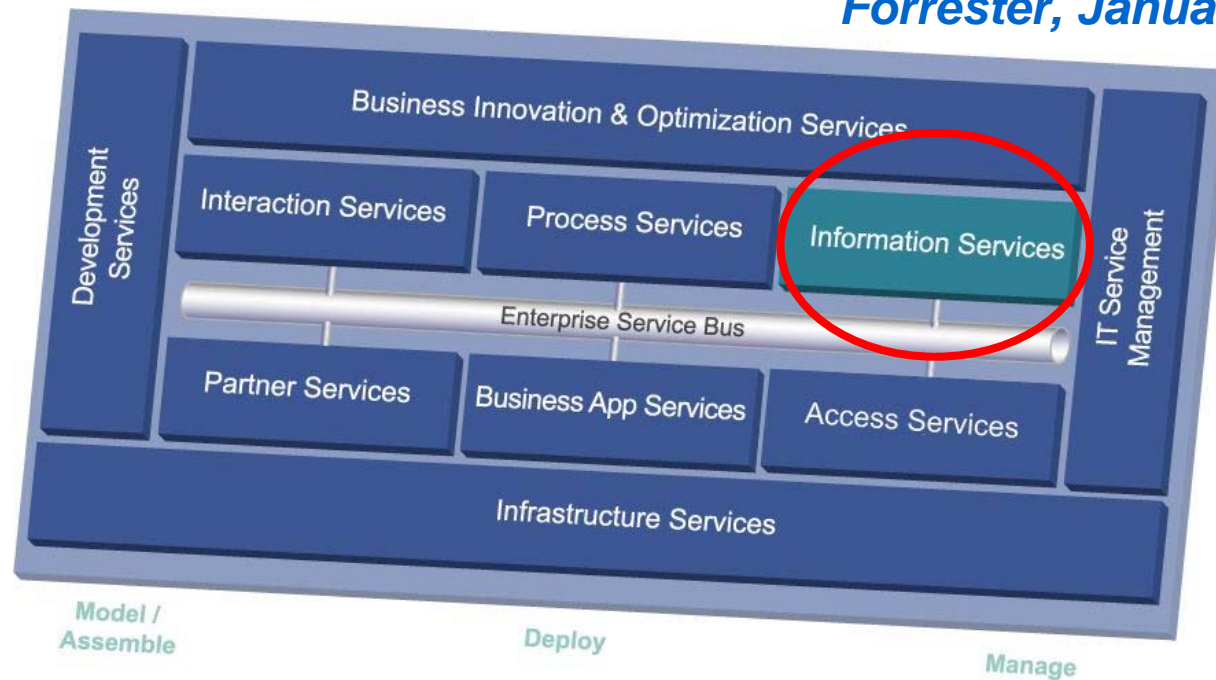
Out of Context...

*60%+ of CEOs:  
Need to do a better job  
leveraging information*

*People can spend  
up to 70% of their time  
looking for information*

## The Need for Information as a Service

*Getting the right data quickly and consistently for all applications continues to be a key challenge for many enterprises.*  
**Forrester, January 2006**



*You will waste your investment in SOA unless you have enterprise information that SOA can exploit.*  
**Gartner, March 2005**

## When Good Information Goes Bad

### *Why does this happen?*

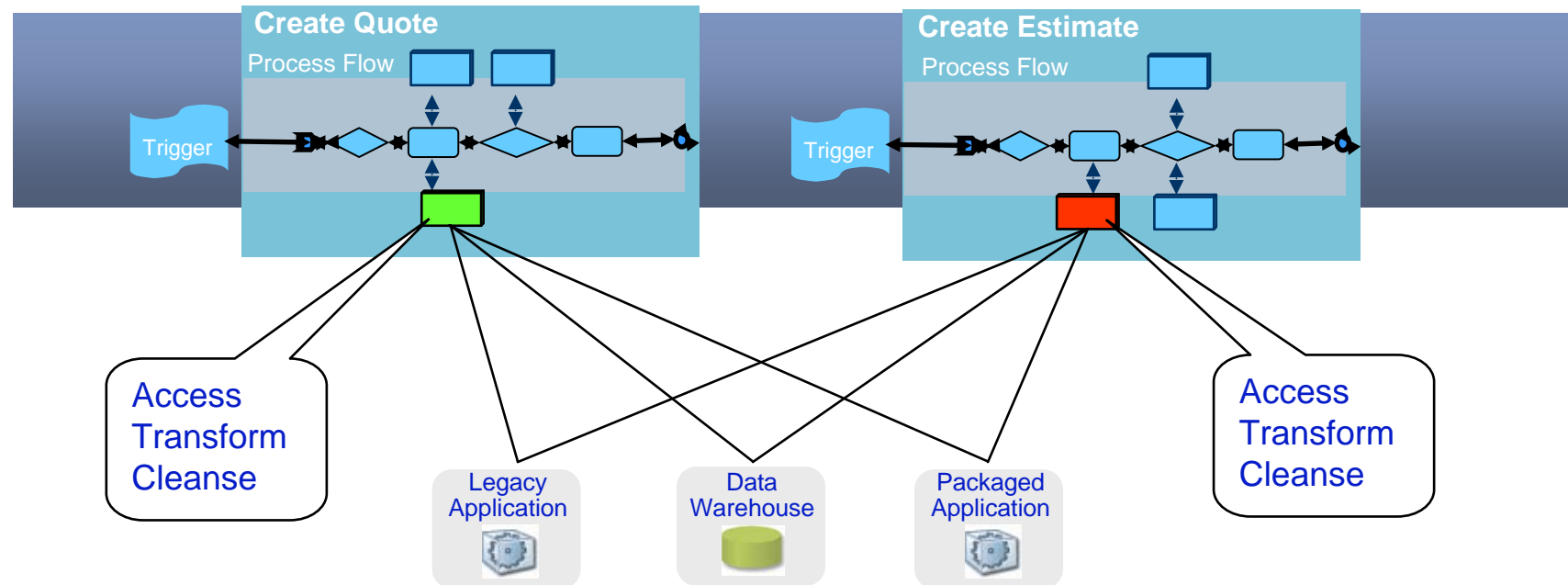
We do not have one consolidated database, and we can't, even if we might like to.

- Data is often trapped in silos which were designed for control, not sharing.
- Data can live in separate databases, private and legacy files, third-party apps (e.g. SAP)
- We can also have unstructured data, and content in new formats
- Data can be provided to us by business partners, and they may manage it differently
- Data is hard to keep current in one database, but distributed data is very difficult to keep consistent across all sources
- Customer names, addresses, dates, etc, vary across sources, making it hard to match content.



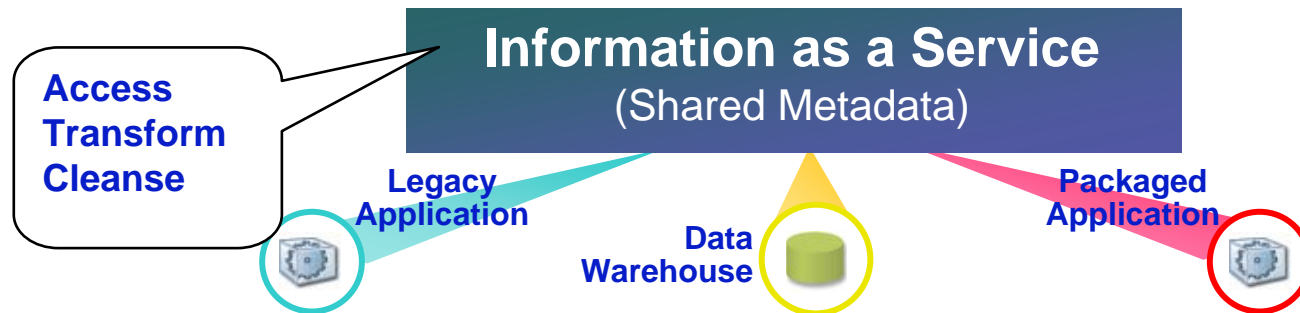
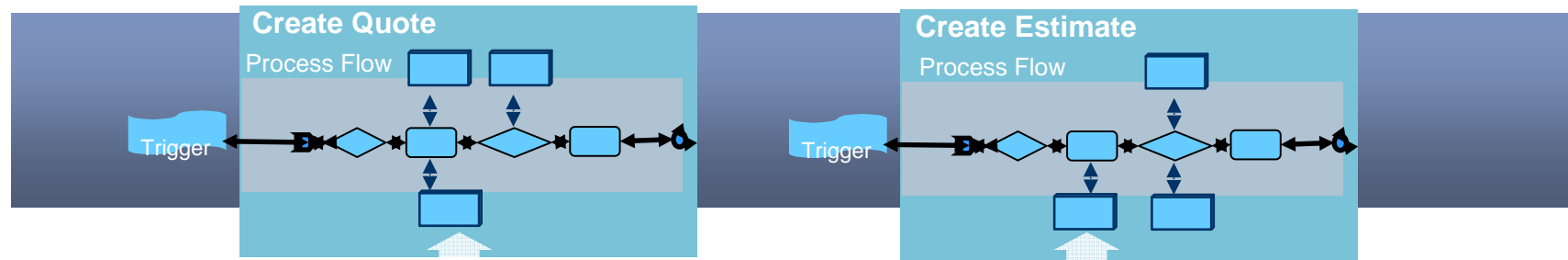
**Data trapped in silos is a major part of the problem.**

## Why tight coupling of data causes inconsistent results



- Inconsistent “view” of the data
- Inconsistency in sources and how data is derived
- Inconsistent rules applied to data
- Multiple points of maintenance
- No flexibility to change information sources and formats

## The Solution: Information as a Service



- Consistent packaging of data
- Leverages understanding of metadata relationships
- Applies consistent rules to data
- Centralized control and maintenance
- Flexibility to add and change information sources and formats



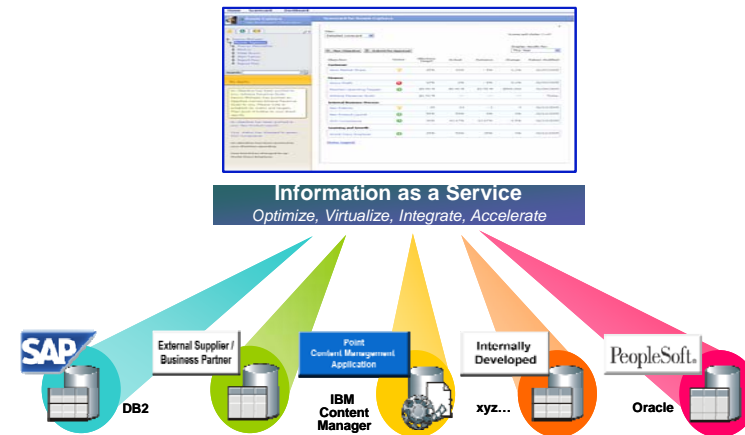
# SOA makes it easier to access and use consistent information

*Delivers trusted information as a service*

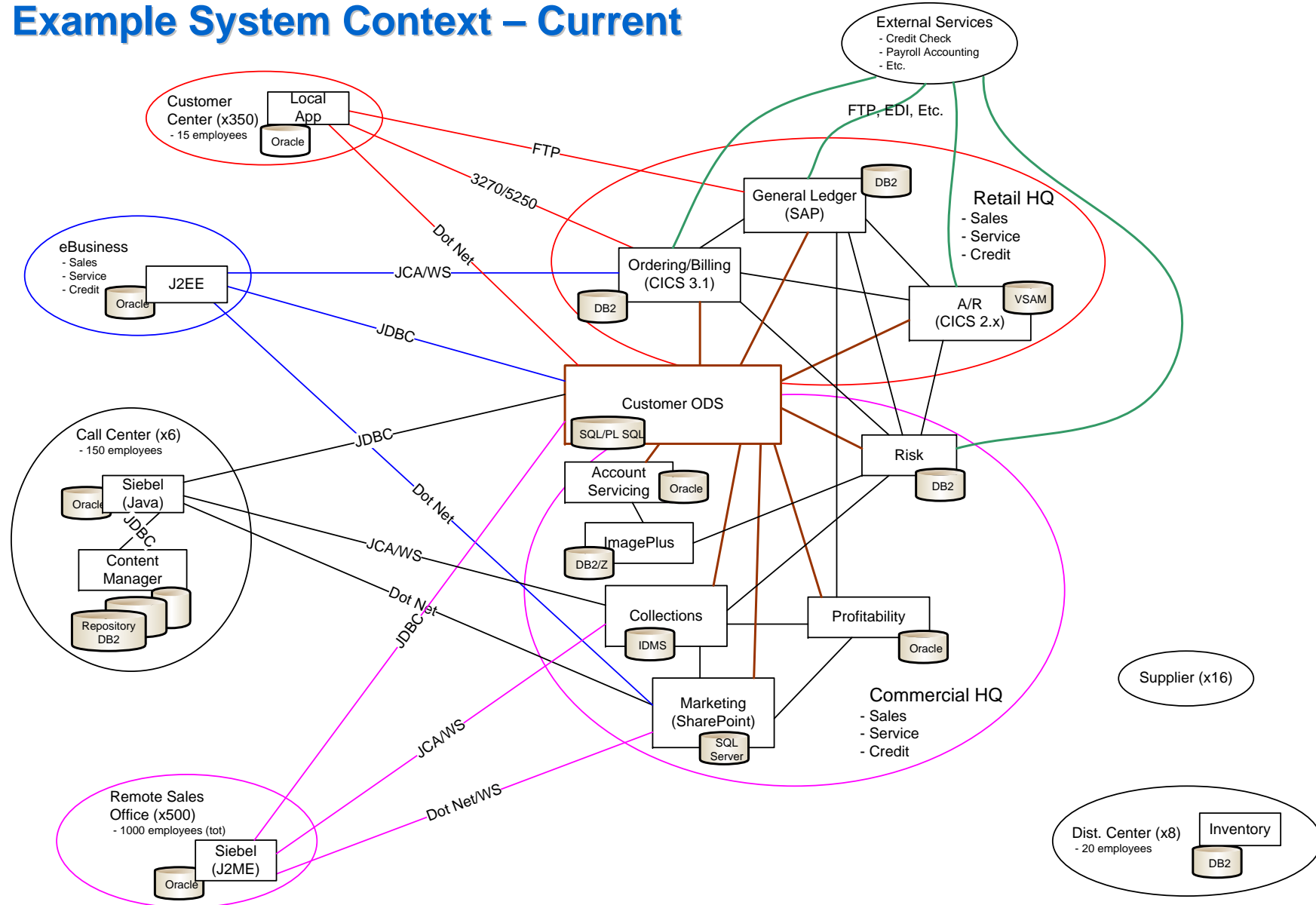
**Without SOA, information remains locked in its silos**



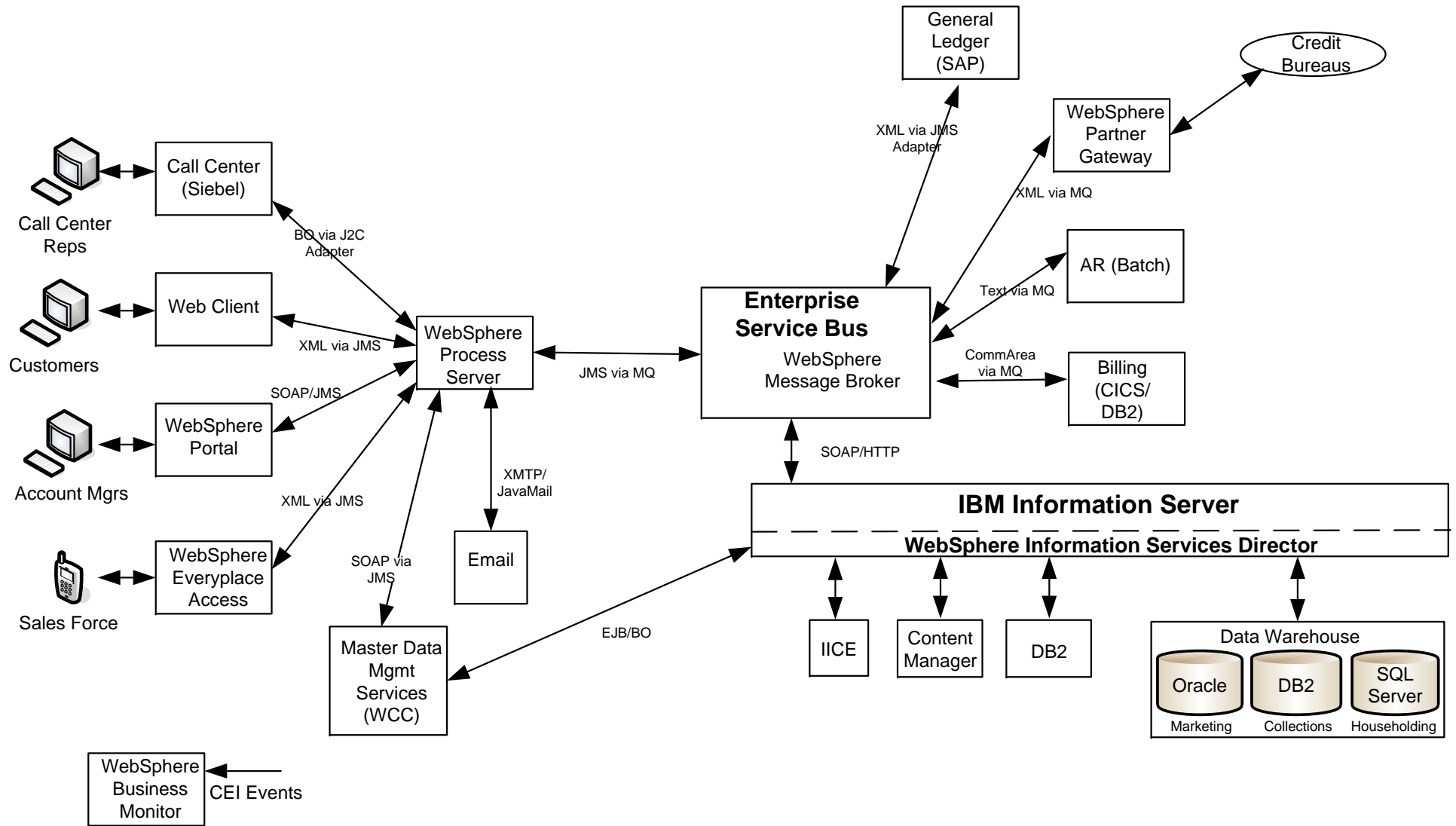
**With SOA, information is consolidated from multiple sources**



# Example System Context – Current



# Example System Context – Proposed

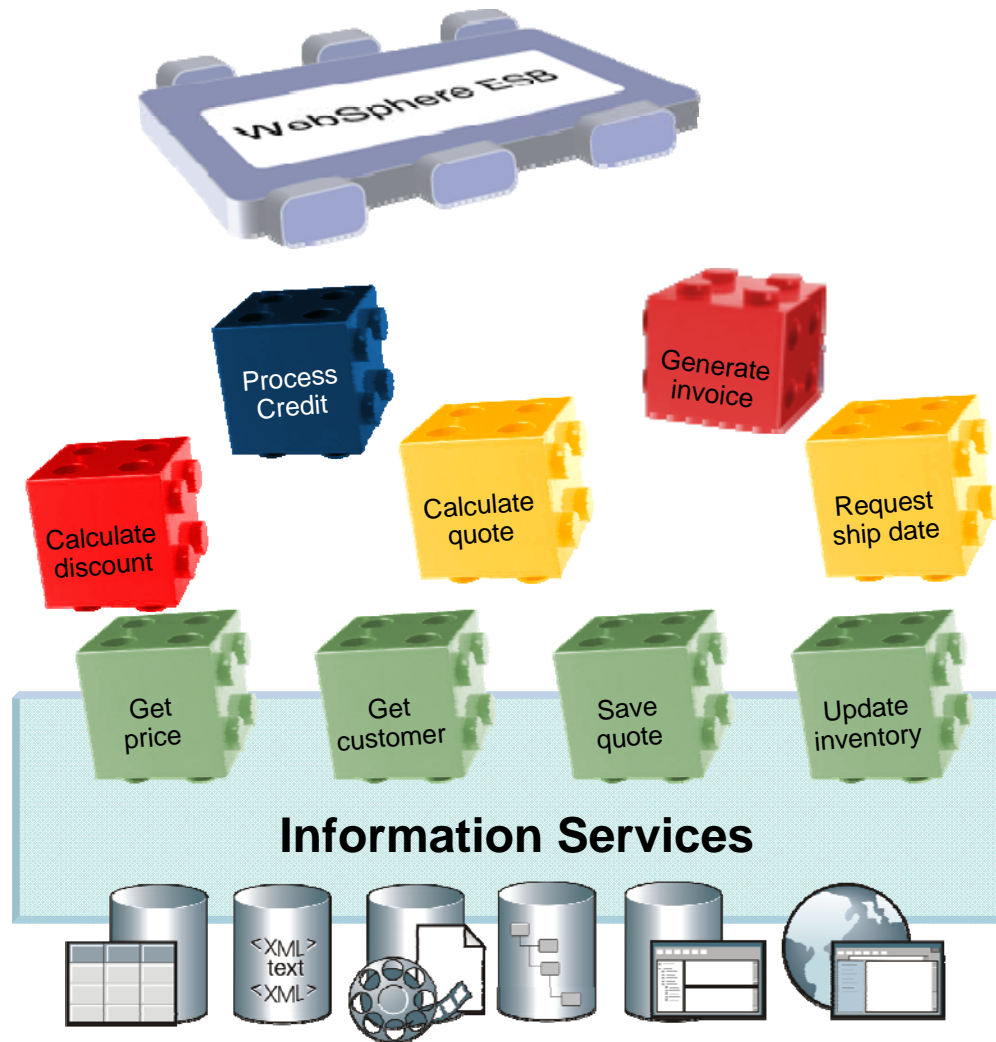


## Main Topics of IaaS (Information as a Service)

- **One Database**
  - Various types of databases (IMS, Relational, XML structures)
  - Storage and representation not inline with data structure of usage
- **Multiple Databases**
  - Same information stored multiple times
  - Inconsistencies
- **Manage Master Data**
  - Core company information like customers, products managed inconsistently
  - No leading master
- **Manage Unstructured Data**
  - A lot of information – difficult to access
  - Combination of information almost impossible

## IaaS – Fitting into SOA

## How Does Information Fit into an SOA?



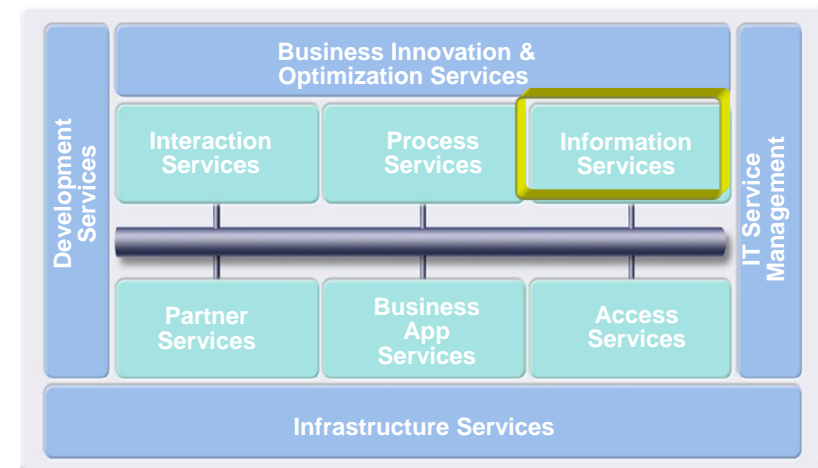
*Information as a service makes information more accessible, consistent, and flexible*

*Publishing consistent, reusable services for information that make it easier for processes to get the information they need from across a heterogeneous landscape.*

- **Select data from source 1**
- **Select data from source 2**
- **Match and link records**
- **Transform data to target**

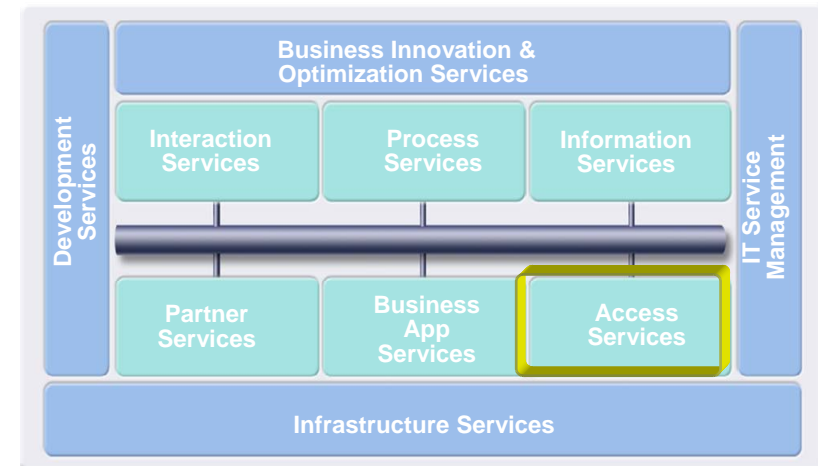
## Information Services versus Others: Access Services, Business Application Services, and Process Services

- **Information Services allow managing data and content in a unified manner**
- **Information Services provide:**
  - **Layer of abstraction between processes/applications and information**
  - **Capabilities required to retrieve, combine, and modify data from varied data sources**
- **Information Services allow expressing information according to the needs of business applications instead of the data source.**
- **Services deployed in this category are used by services in this category and others (e.g. Information Services, Business App Services, Process Services, etc.)**



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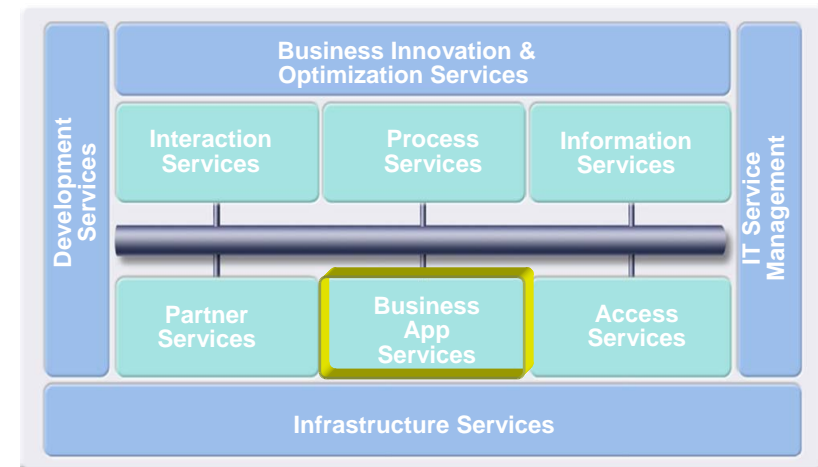
- **Access Services allow interaction with legacy and prepackaged applications (e.g. ERP, CRM, etc.)**
- **Access Services provide:**
  - **Layer of abstraction between processes/portals/applications and legacy/prepackaged applications.**
  - **Capabilities required to access legacy and prepackaged applications (e.g. via adapters)**
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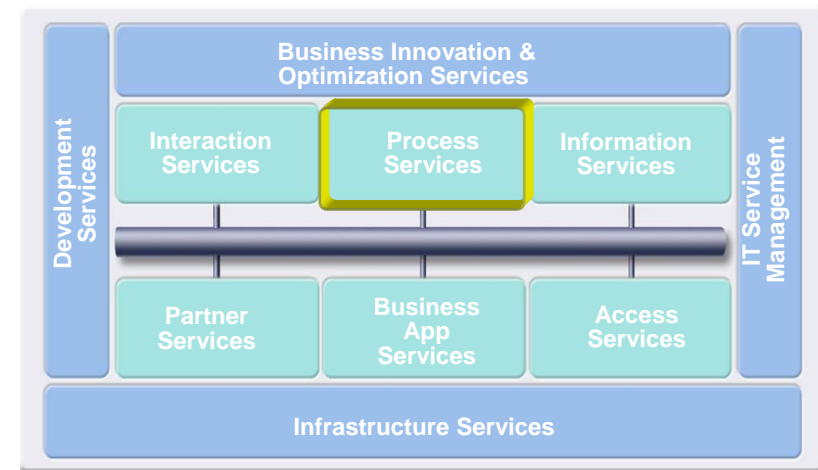
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- **Business Application Services provide:**
  - Runtime services required for new or existing application components (i.e. business logic) to be included in the integrated system
- **Services created in this category:**
  - Implement the core business logic,
  - Provided by existing applications or newly implemented components.
  - Use services created in this category or others (e.g. Information Services, Access Services, etc.)



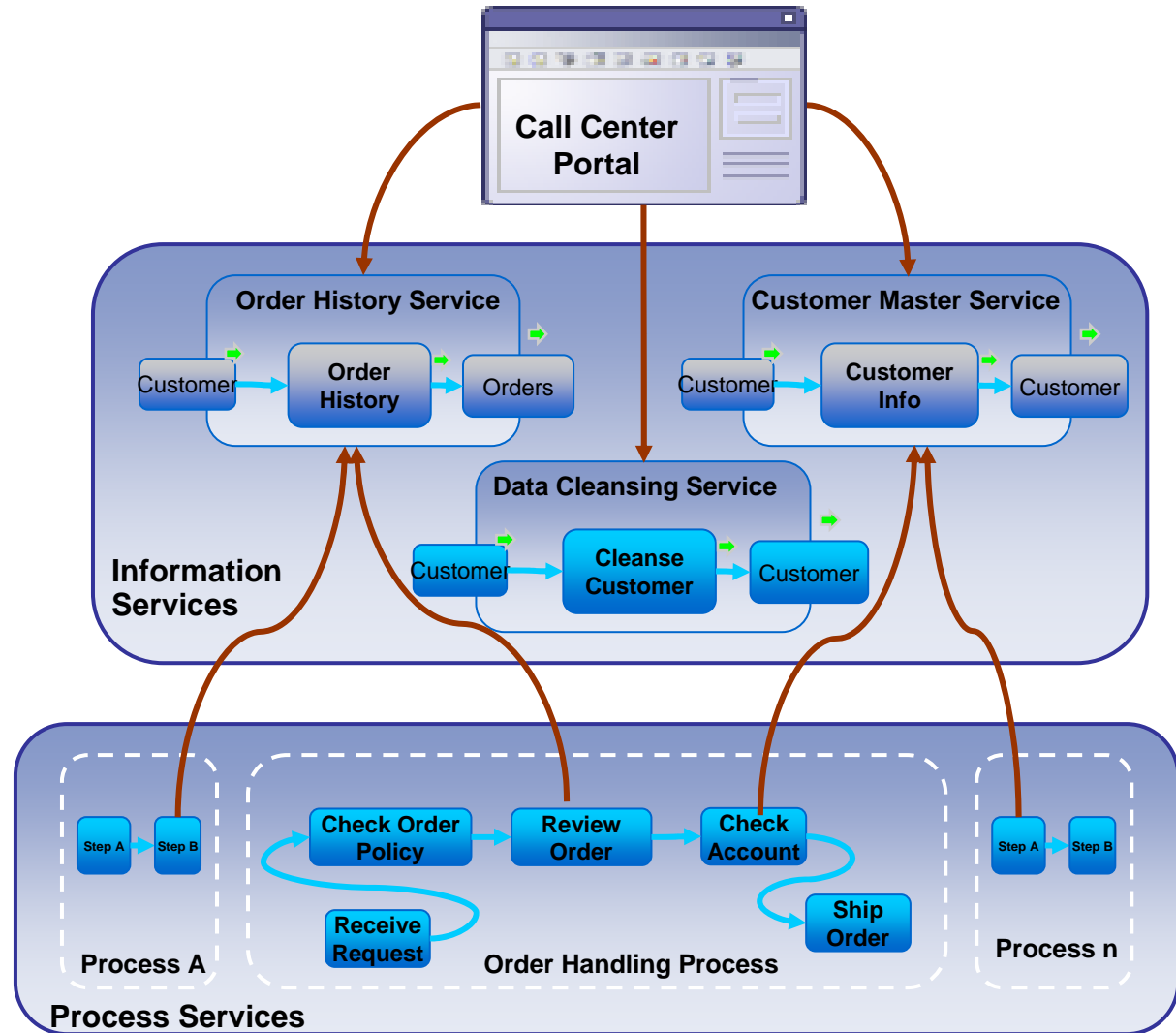
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- **Process Services provide**
  - **Control services required to manage the flow and interactions of multiple services to implement business processes.**
- **Services created in this category use services created in this category as well as others (e.g. services in Business App Services, Information Services, etc.)**



# Information Services Feed Processes with Actionable Information

- Information Services provide:
- Layer of abstraction between Information and Applications/Processes.
- Actionable and consistent information.
- Reusable assets.

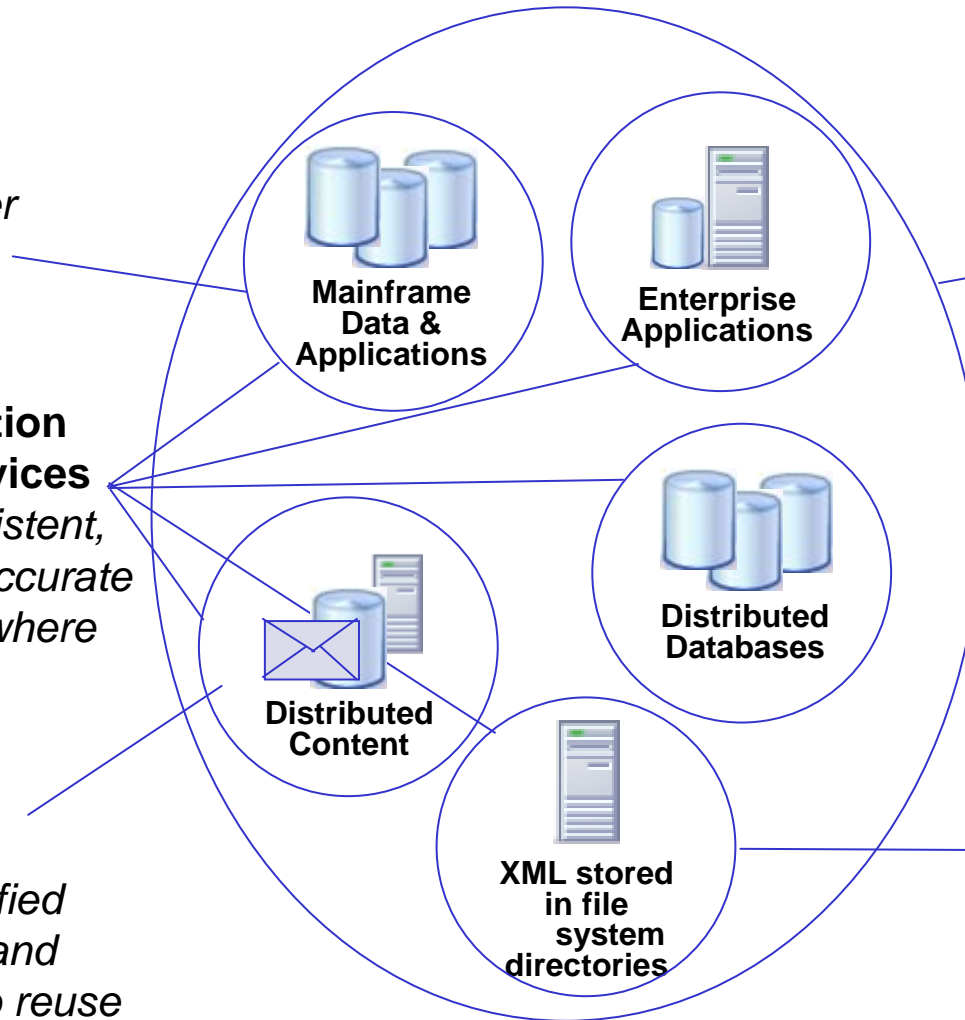


# Information as a Service Entry Points

**1**  
**Service-enable Mainframe data**  
*To make it easier to access*

**2**  
**Create information Integration services**  
*To provide consistent, complete, and accurate information anywhere*

**3**  
**Create content services**  
*To provide a unified view of content and make it easier to reuse*



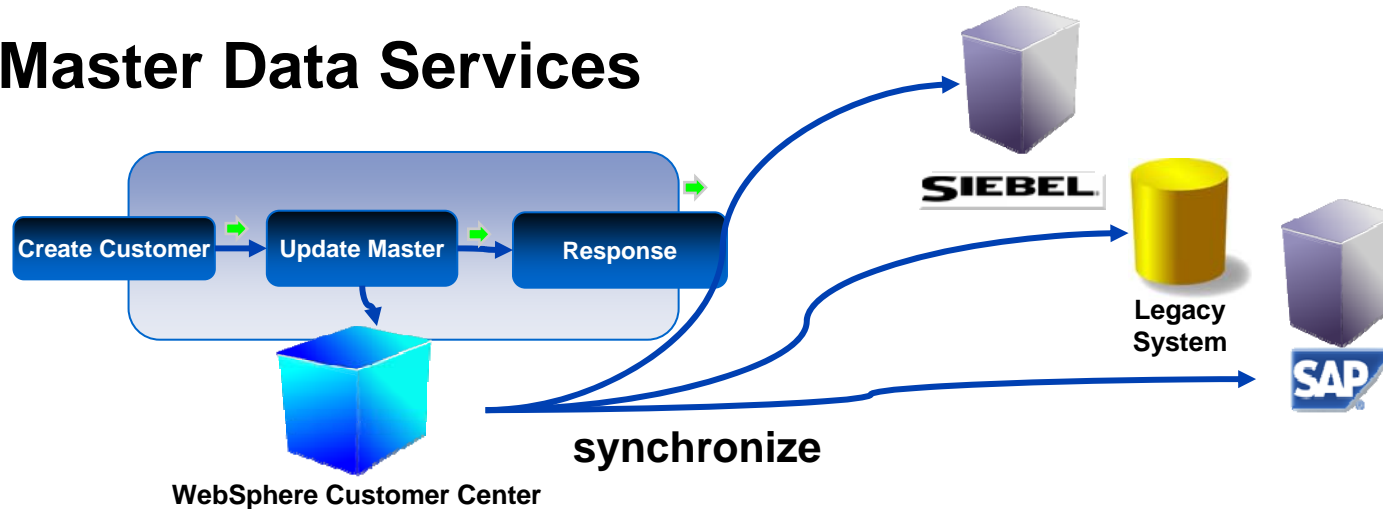
**4**  
**Create master data services**  
*To provide unified management of master data across systems*

**5**  
**Manage XML data centrally**  
*To enable better control over it*

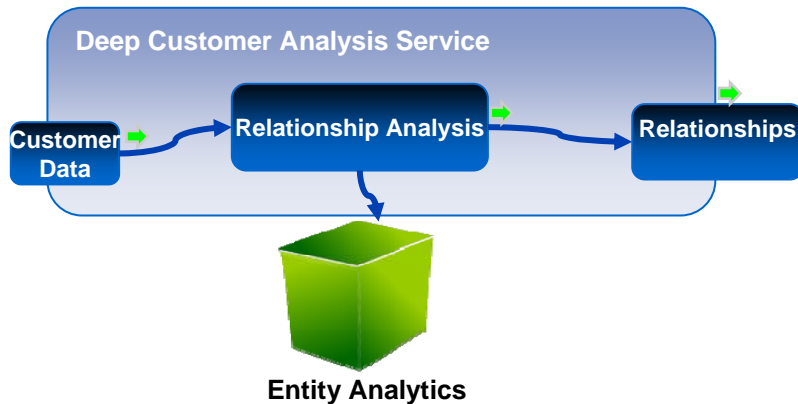
## Usage Scenarios for Information Services

# Types of Information Services - Business Information Services

## • Master Data Services



## • Data Analysis Services



**Obvious Relationship:**  
*"Kate has just applied for a systems job at your bank"*

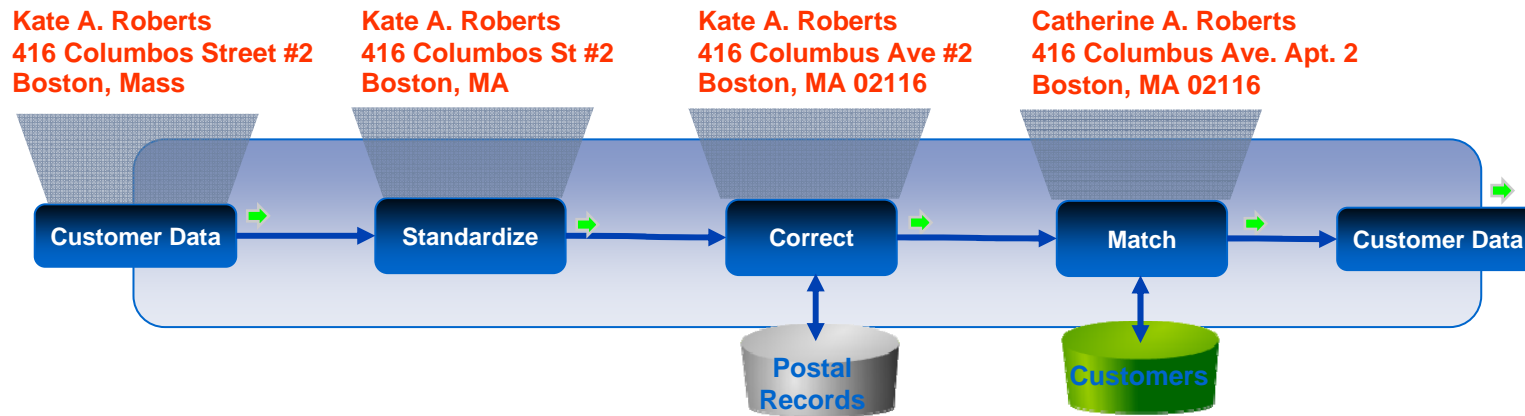
**Non-Obvious Relationship:**  
*"Kate has Tom listed as her emergency contact on her job application"*

**Non-Obvious Relationship:**  
*"Tom used his former account at your bank to transfer funds to Mr. Kim"*

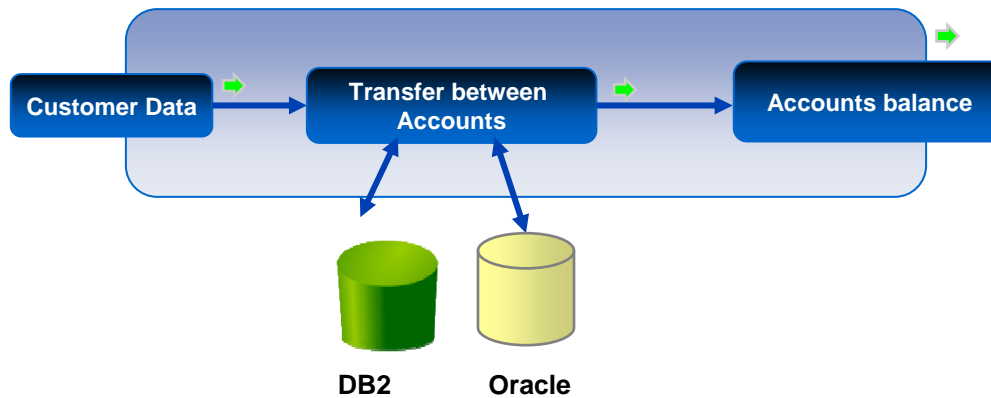
**Non-Obvious Relationship:**  
*"Mr. Kim and Mr. Wallis co-own an import/export company in Indonesia"*

## Types of Information Services - Information Integration Services

- Data Quality Services**

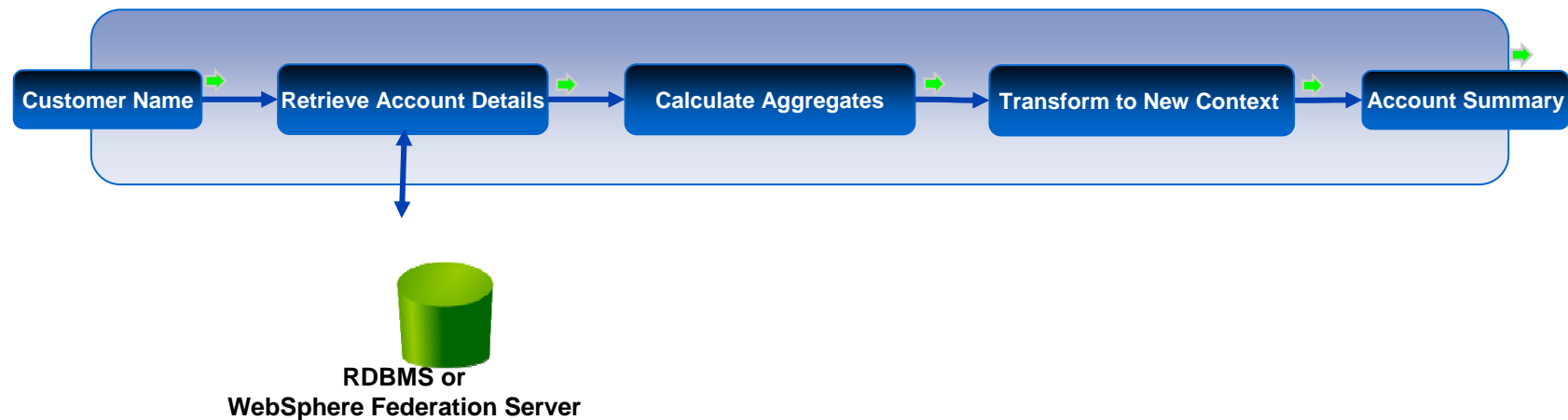


- Data Federation Services**



## Types of Information Services - Information Integration Services - Cont.

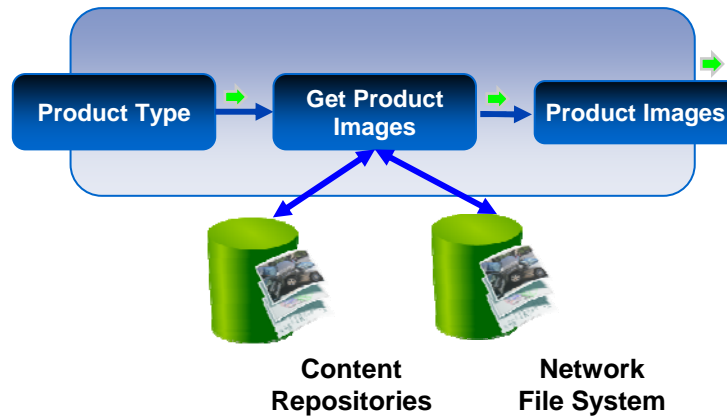
- **Data Transformation Services**



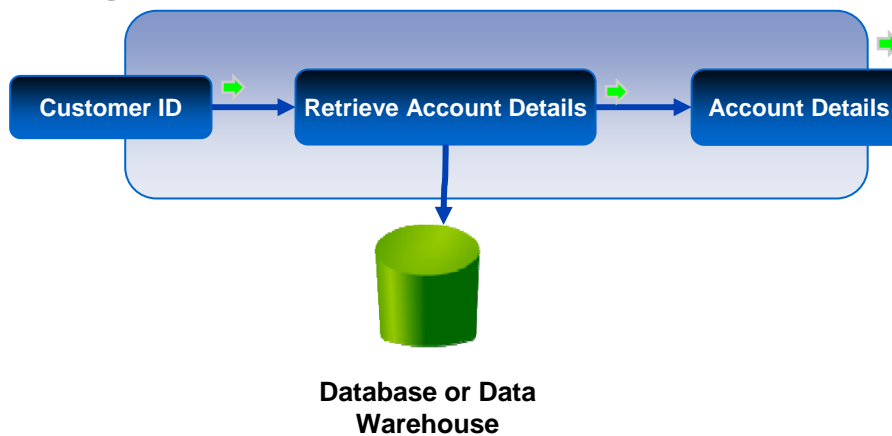


## Types of Information Services - Content Services and Data Services

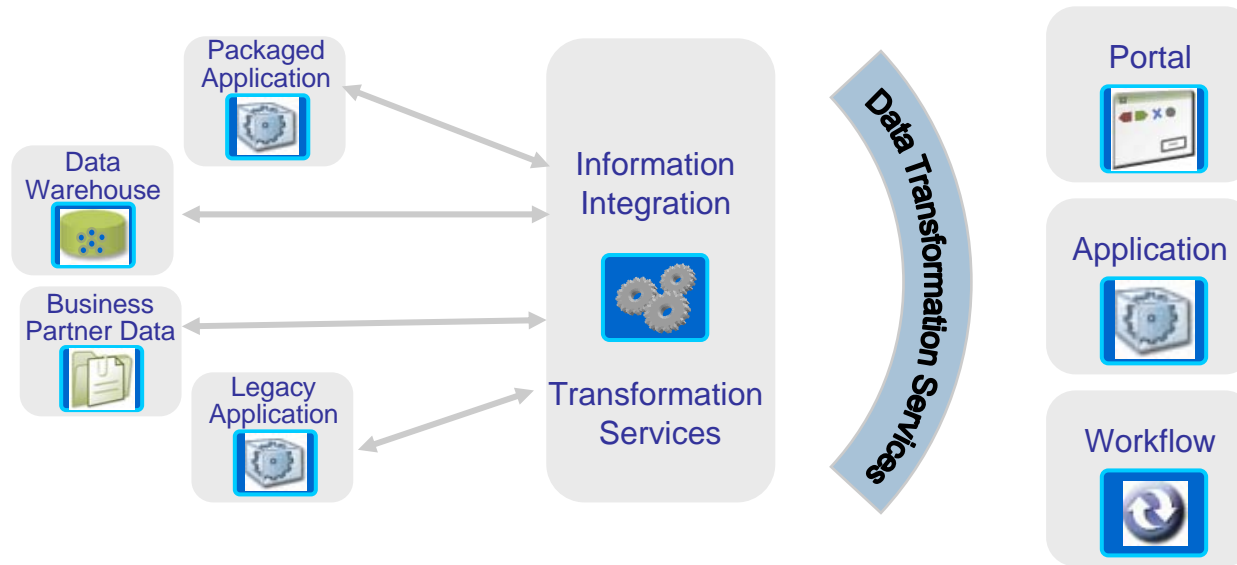
- **Content Integration Services**



- **Data Services**



## Customer Scenario – Data Transformation Services



### Customer Pain Points

- Every development project reproduces the same data transformation logic, with little reuse
- Writing data transformation logic from scratch is very time-consuming and expensive
- Different development projects use different logic for transforming data

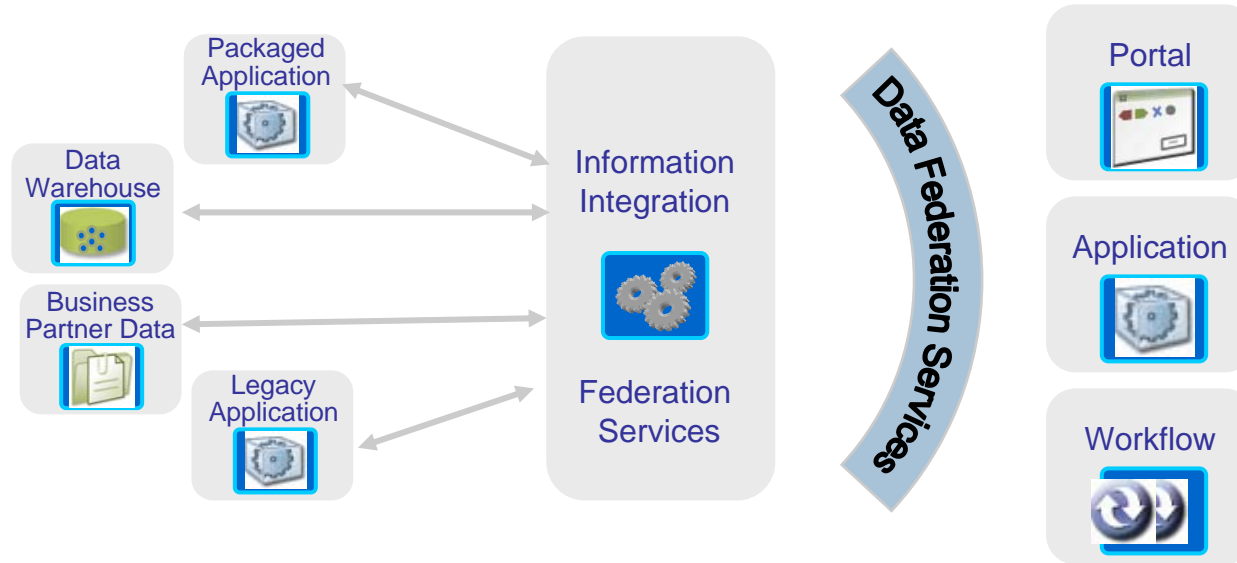
### IBM Value

- Allows consistent data integration to be leveraged in any type of project across batch and real-time requirements
- Allows data integration tasks to be specialized within the technology and organization that performs them best
- Enables an intuitive, complementary fit for data integration with EAI technology

### Customer Example

- Eli Lilly
- McDonald's
- Pfizer

## Customer Scenario – Data Federation Services



### Customer Pain Points

- Every development project reproduces the same data access logic, with little reuse
- Assumes the developer understands the data semantics
- Code is hard-wired to data source so any changes to data source break the applications using them

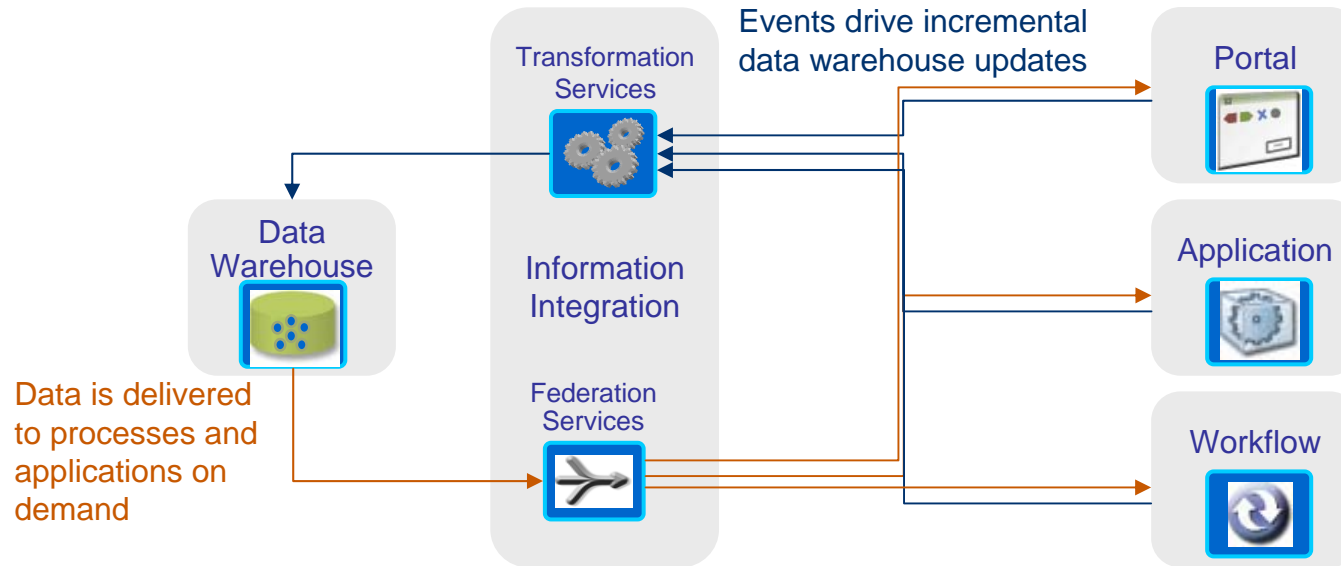
### IBM Value

- Single point of control of data governance
- Applications are resilient to change
- Creates a virtual layer which has broad reach within a single programming model  
50% increase in programmer productivity.

### Customer Example

- Taikang Life
- BMW
- Banque Populaire

## Customer Scenario - On Demand Data Warehousing



### Customer Pain Points

- Data latency not supporting management reporting and analysis requirements
- Inability to use analytical information within operational applications and processes
- Proliferation of data marts across departments

### IBM Value

- Allows operational processes to be optimized with richer analytical data
- Increases the value of analytical data by reducing latency
- Reduces the need to proliferate data marts by providing access services
- Alleviates pressure on batch windows by allowing “trickle-feed” intraday

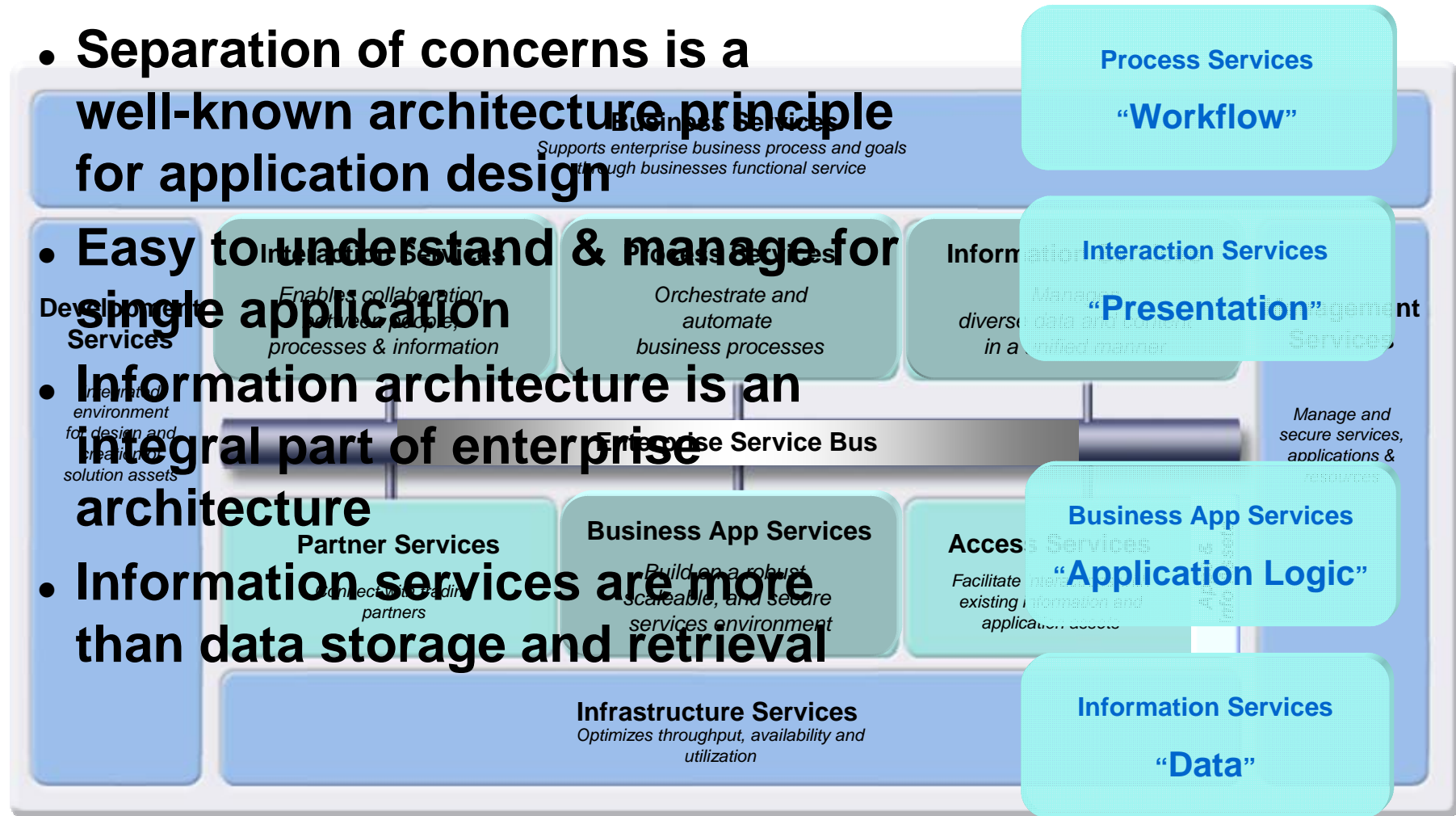
### Customer Example

- XM Satellite Radio
- Pfizer
- Scotts
- Harley Davidson

**SOA Information  
Architecture Considerations**

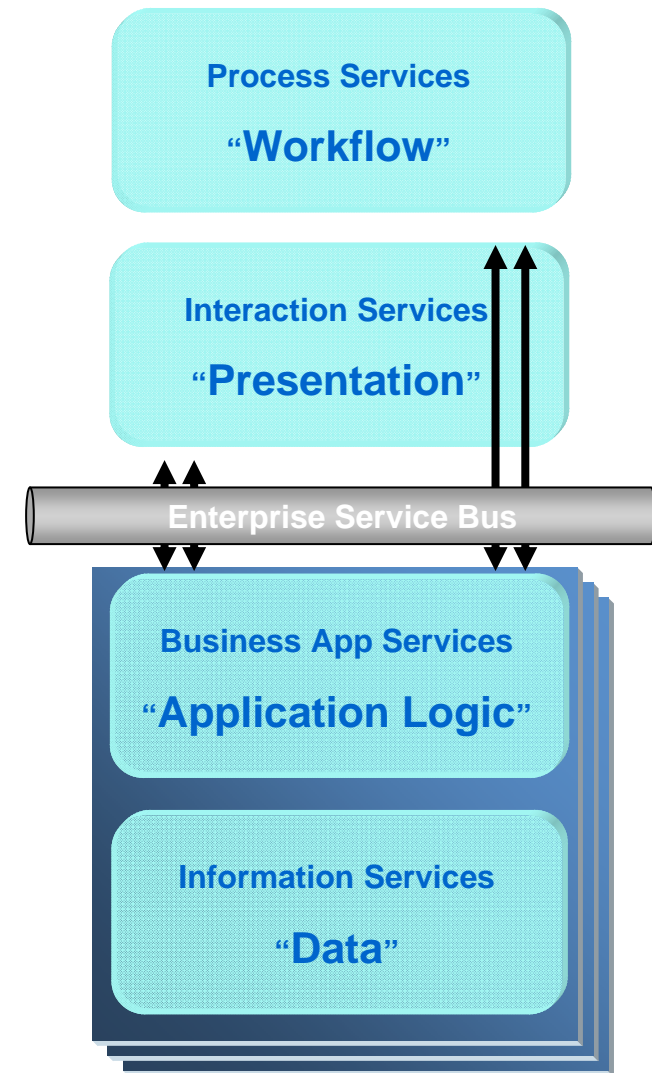
# Separation of Concerns Even Before SOA...

- Separation of concerns is a well-known architecture principle for application design
- Easy to understand & manage for single application
- Information architecture is an integral part of enterprise architecture
- Information services are more than data storage and retrieval



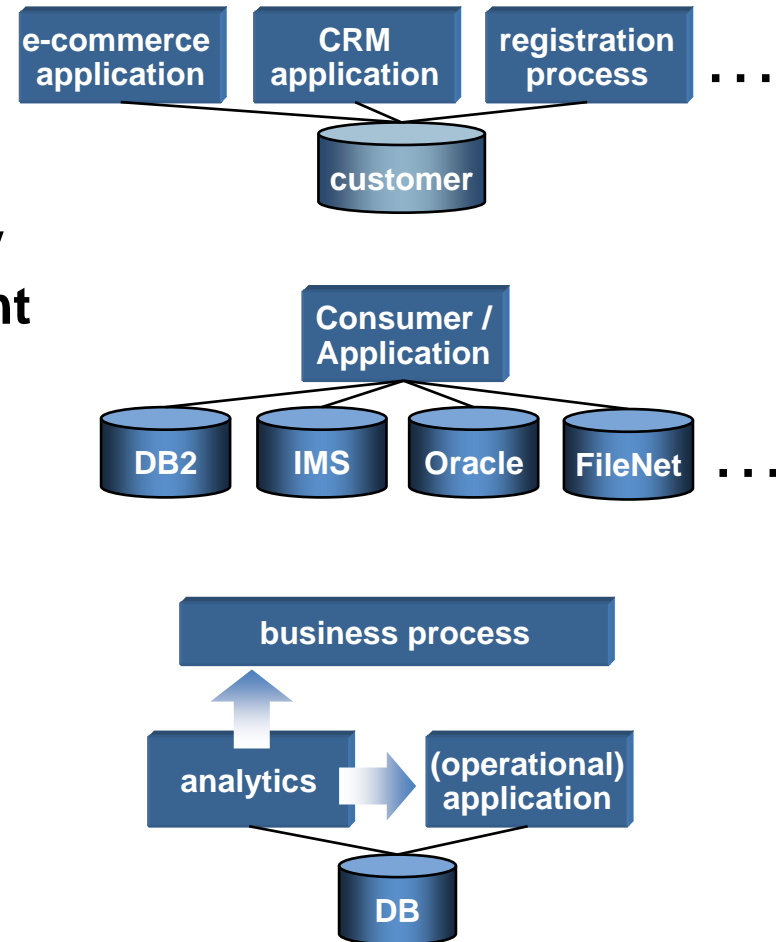
## Separations of Concerns in Enterprise Architecture Typically Focused on Exposing Application Services

- Exposing application logic as services is straight-forward and enabled by tooling
- The integration of services focuses on mediation (brokering) and orchestration (workflow) of application logic
- As a result, data is tightly coupled with the corresponding application logic



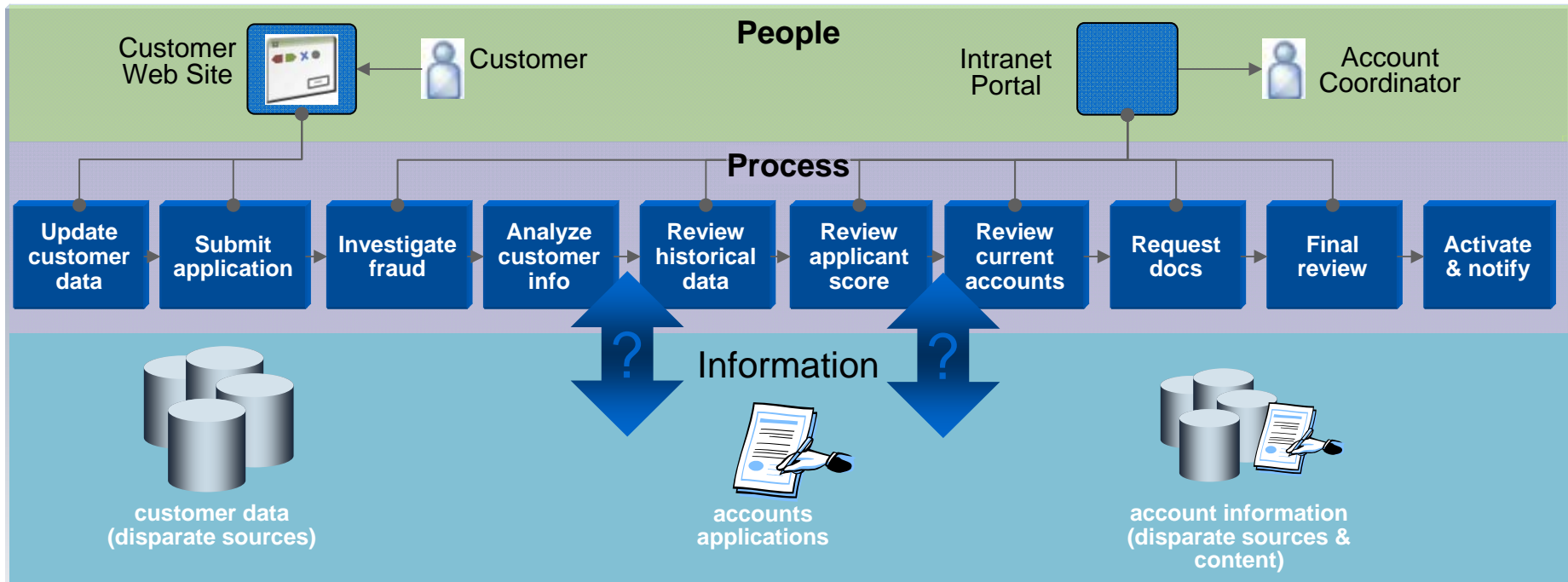
## Information, Applications and Processes Providing Separation of Concerns

- **Reuse:** leverage same information for multiple consumers, not just within one (silo) application
- **Accessibility, distribution:** understand, cleanse and effectively transform & integrate data & content
- **Single version of the truth:** build trusted source of information
- **Access to analytical data:** deliver real-time access to various consumers or as part of a business process





# SOA Information Architecture Scenario



*Many organizations face this situation...*

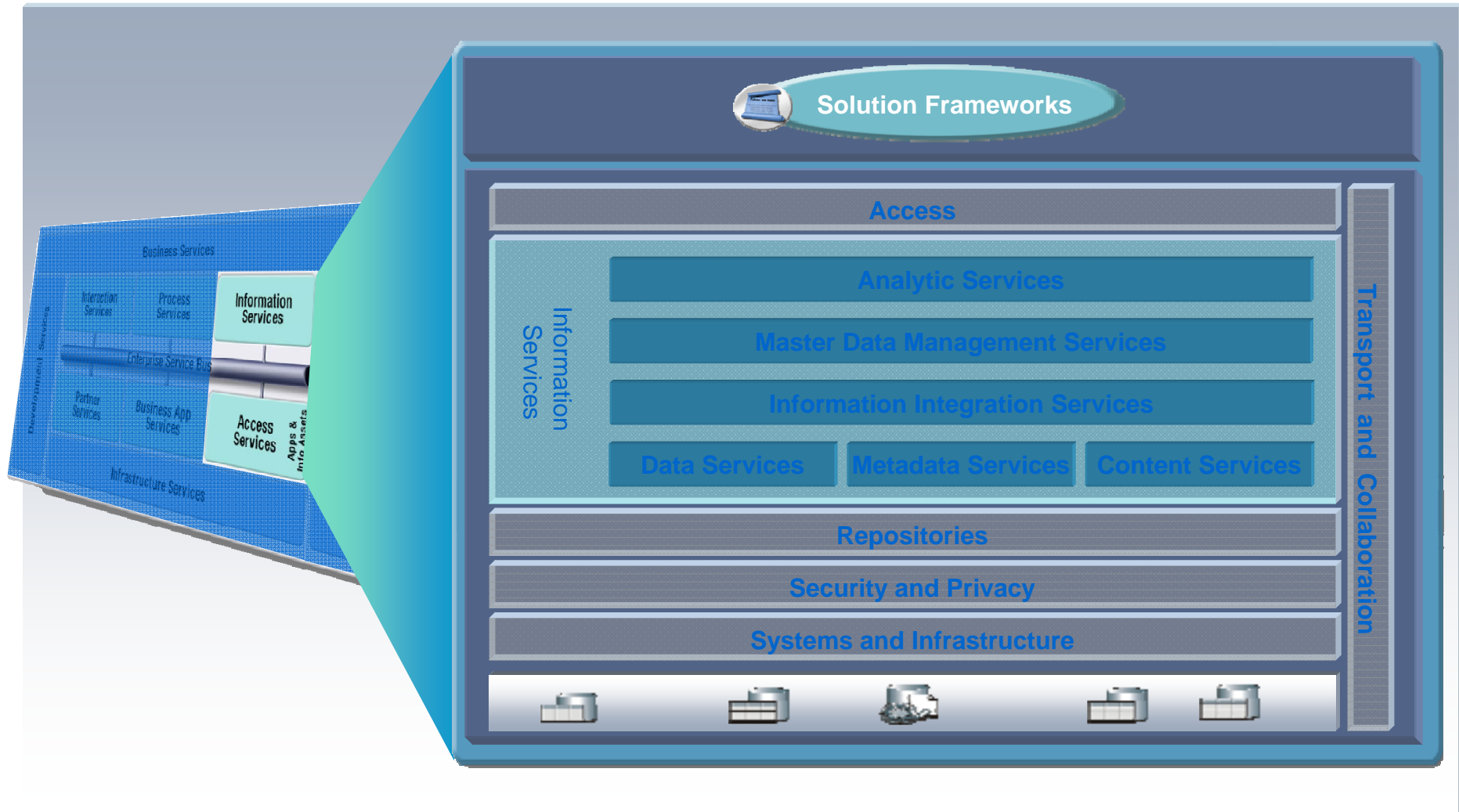
Goal: **services that provide accurate, consistent, integrated information to business processes and people**

Starting point: **your existing legacy, inconsistent & diverse data**

Approach: **Information as a Service**

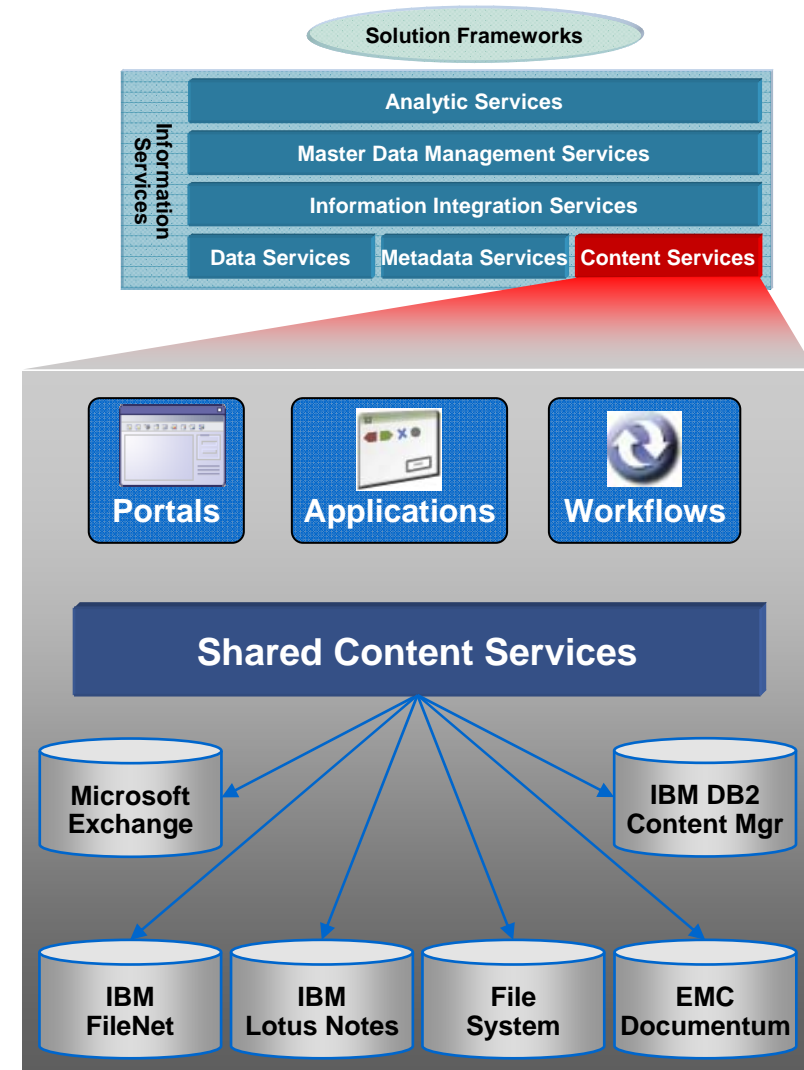
# Components of Information as a Service

## Information Services from Information on Demand



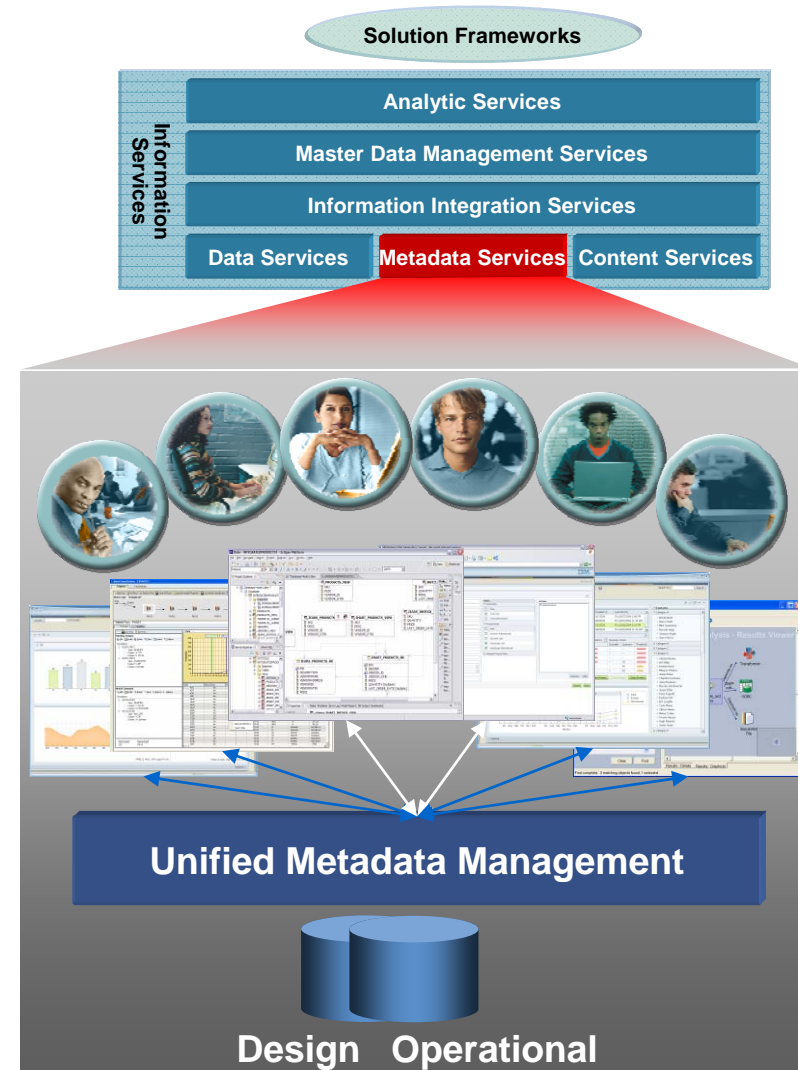
## Integrate Unstructured Information Into SOA & Process Flow

- **Business Challenge**
  - Wasted time searching for information
  - Lack of automation to process unstructured information (paper-based, manual)
- **Key Capabilities**
  - Content-centric workflow to embed unstructured information into processes
  - Decouple content consumer from a variety of content repositories
- **Business Benefit**
  - Improved customer satisfaction along with increase in request to documents
  - Significant savings for initial rollout
  - Significant savings for each new business unit



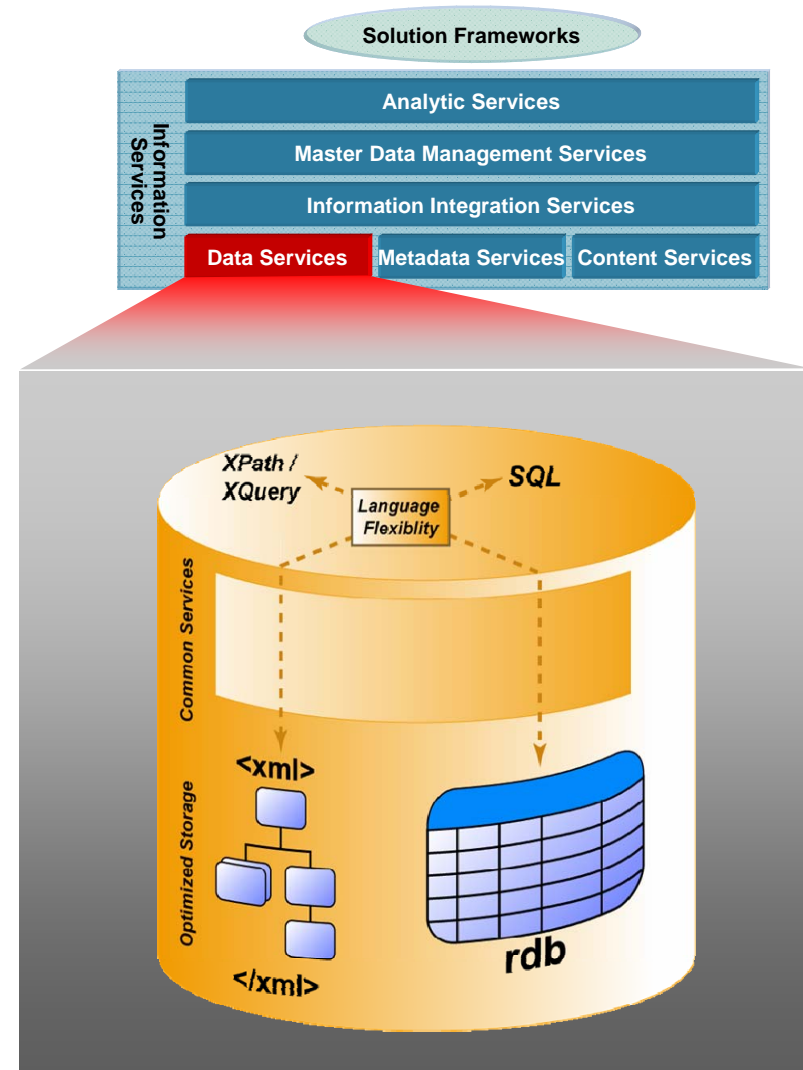
## Shared Metadata Across Domains and Tools

- **Business Challenge**
  - IT staff spends too much time searching for artifacts related to their tasks
  
- **Key Capabilities**
  - Common metadata foundation to access and share artifacts
  - Role-based views and functionality
  
- **Business Benefit**
  - Improve common understanding
  - Improve collaboration
  - Increase in worker productivity



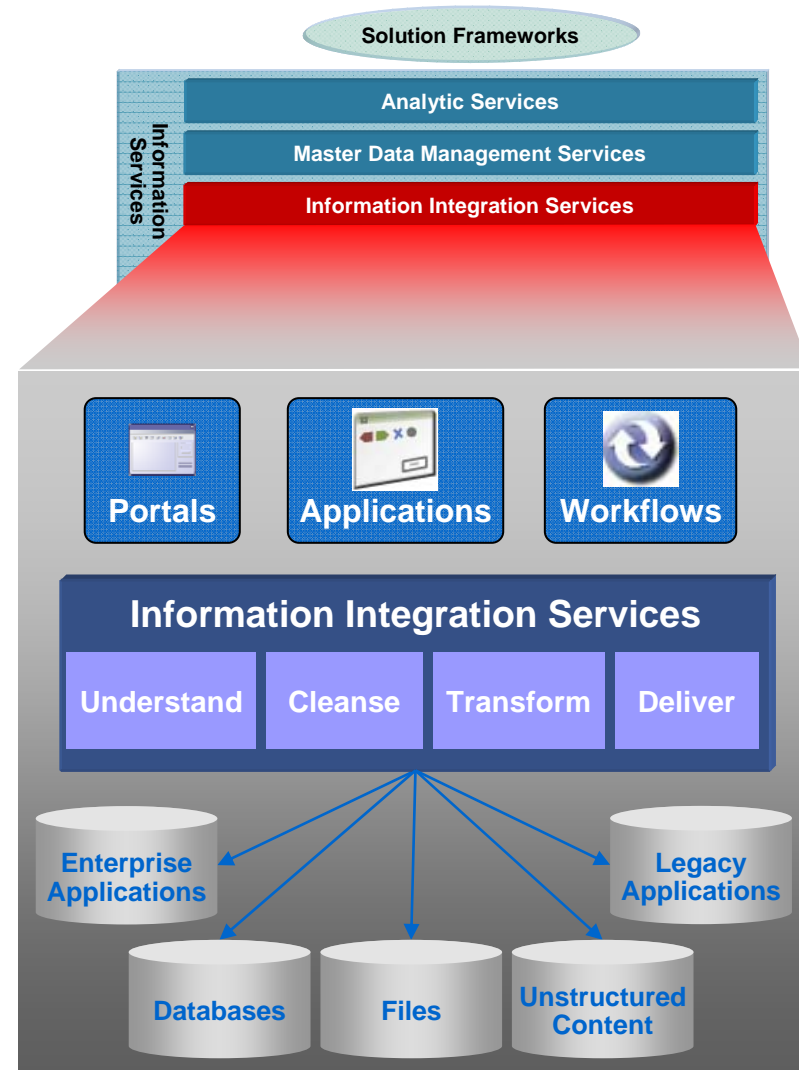
## Unified Access to & Mgmt of XML & Enterprise Data

- **Business Challenge**
  - Lack of holistic view of enterprise information, specifically around XML and relational data
- **Key Capabilities**
  - Performance, integrity, protection, and scale combined with flexibility of XML
  - Manage XML and relational data holistically – in the same database
- **Business Benefit**
  - Significant reduction in development time and in iterative deployment
  - Significantly fewer lines of code
  - Significantly higher performance



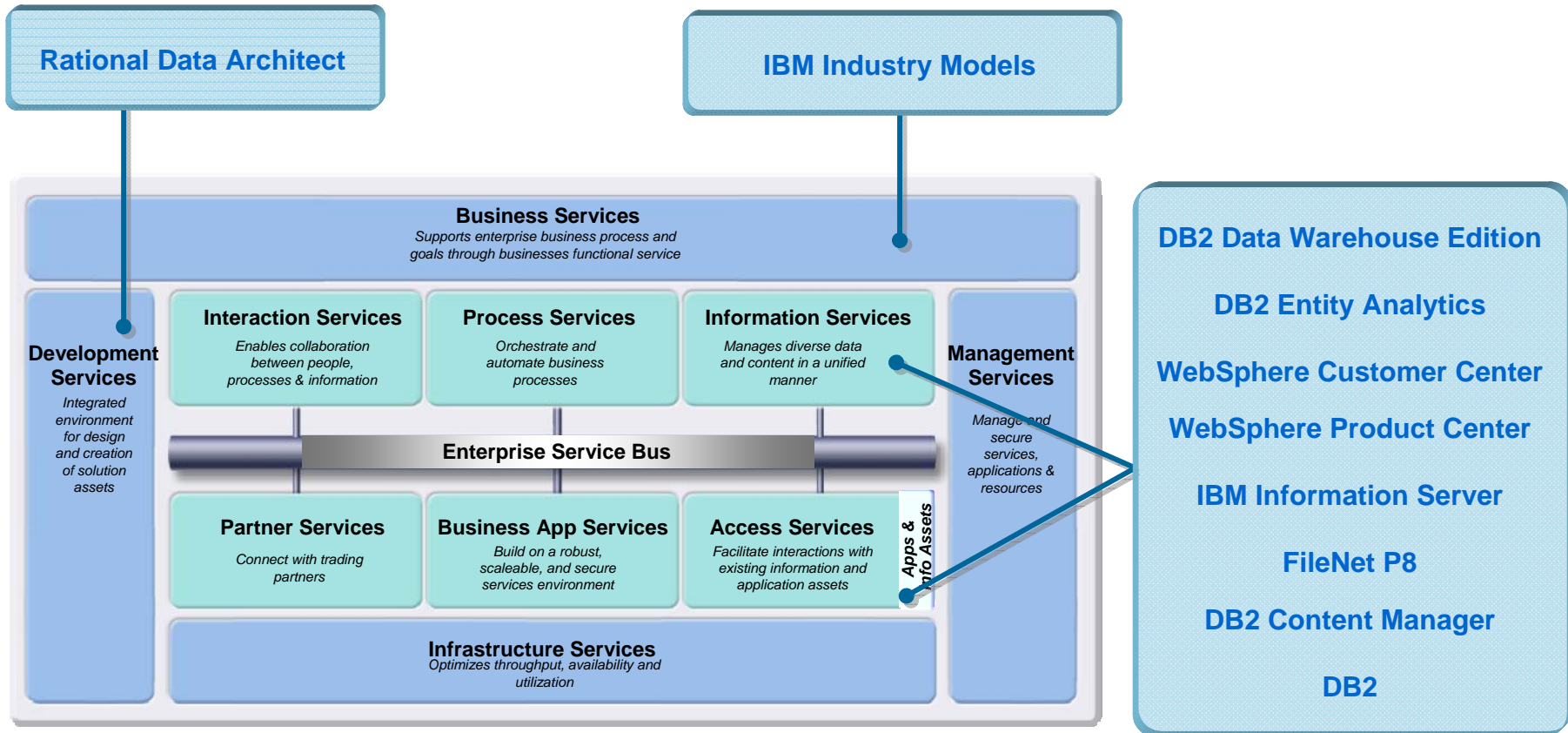
## Single Interface to Disparate Data Sources

- Business Challenge
  - Lack of business insight and poor decisions due to inaccurate, inconsistent and partial information
  - Significant overhead to provide correct data
- Key Capabilities
  - Profile & understand your service data
  - Enterprise-wide consistent cleansing rules for applications and data
  - Integrate and transform data from various sources (federate, consolidate)
- Business Benefit
  - Increased worker productivity: Information accessible to every user when and how they need it



## IBM Offerings

# Mapping to the IBM Products





## Information as a Service – Capabilities & Products

### Information Service Enablement

#### Information Server

WebSphere Information Services Director

#### WebSphere Classic Federation Server

IMS SOAP (Web Service gateway for IMS)

DB2 WORF

DB2 9 with pure XML

- Insulates applications from source changes

- Simple service enablement of mainframe data

- Native XML & relational hybrid DB

- Persists messages, preserves integrity

### Integrated Information Services

#### IBM Information Server

- WebSphere Federation Server

- WebSphere DataStage/QualityStage Server

WebSphere Classic Federation Server

- Complete Information Integration platform

- Analyzes, cleanses, transforms & federates

- Integrated, trusted information as a service

### Master Data Services

WebSphere Customer Center

WebSphere Product Center

DB2 Entity Analytics

- Master data management

- Manages & controls core business entities

- Elevates critical data to a business asset

### Content Services

WebSphere Information Integrator Content Edition

DB2 Content Manager

IBM FileNet P8 platform

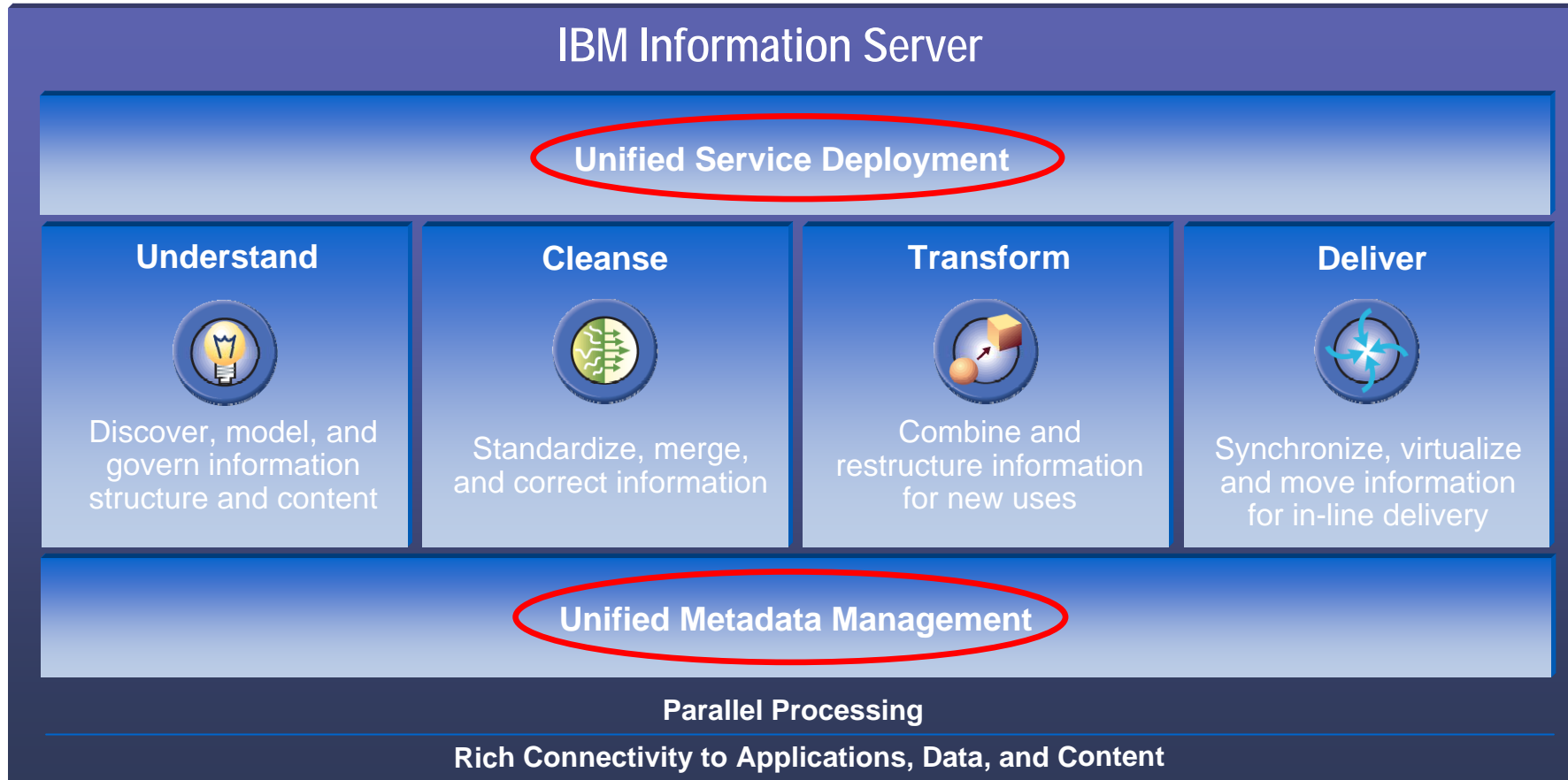
- Heterogeneous content federation

- Single service access to global content

- Easy service-oriented content access

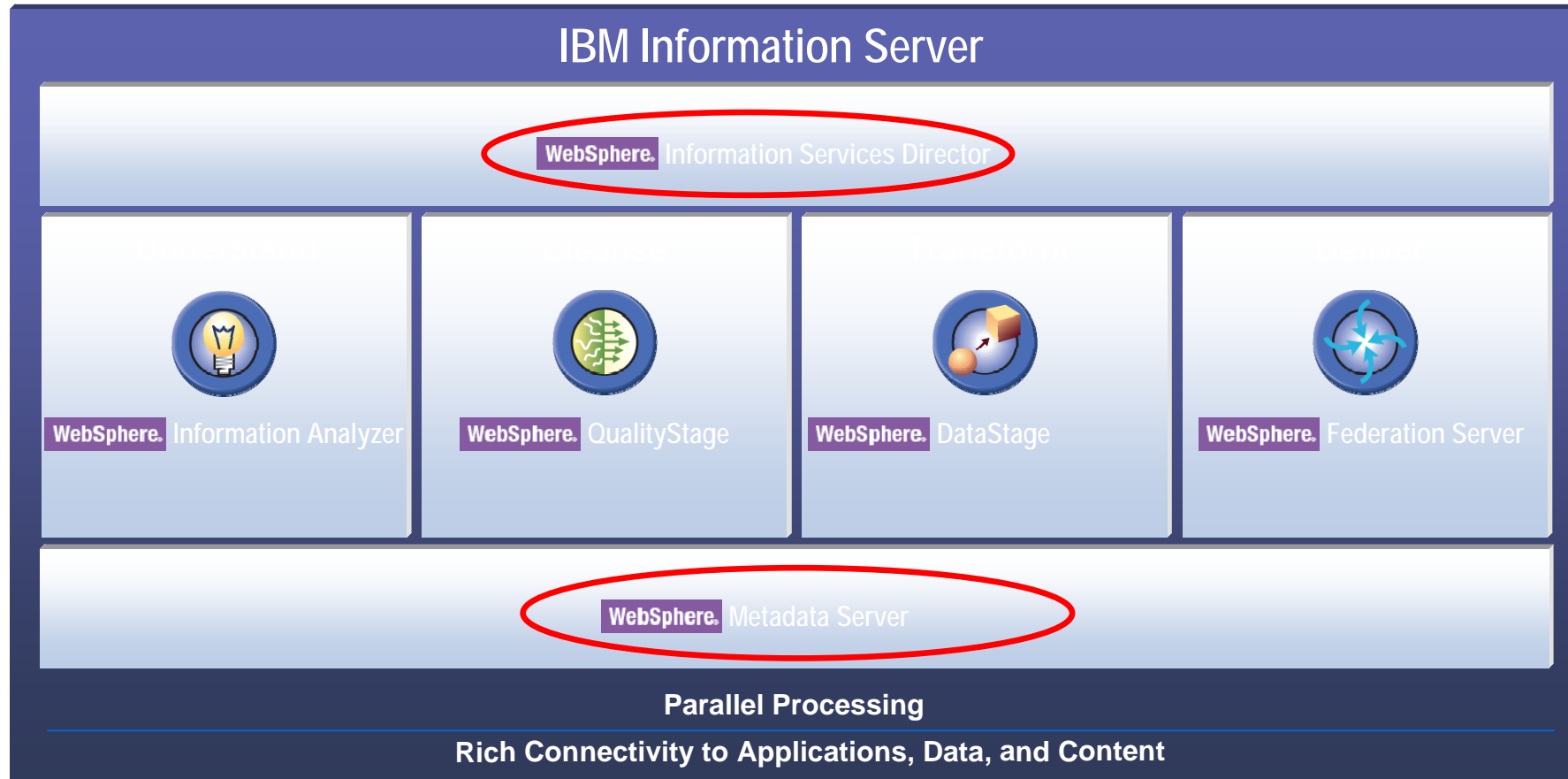
# IBM Information Server

## Delivering information you can trust



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**NEXT: Introducing the Lab**

## Information as a Service – Data Federation

- **2 Data bases**
- **Build federation**
- **Creating a view**
- **Test**

# Transform Your Data

## Create Trusted Information from Disparate Sources

- **As-Is Environment**

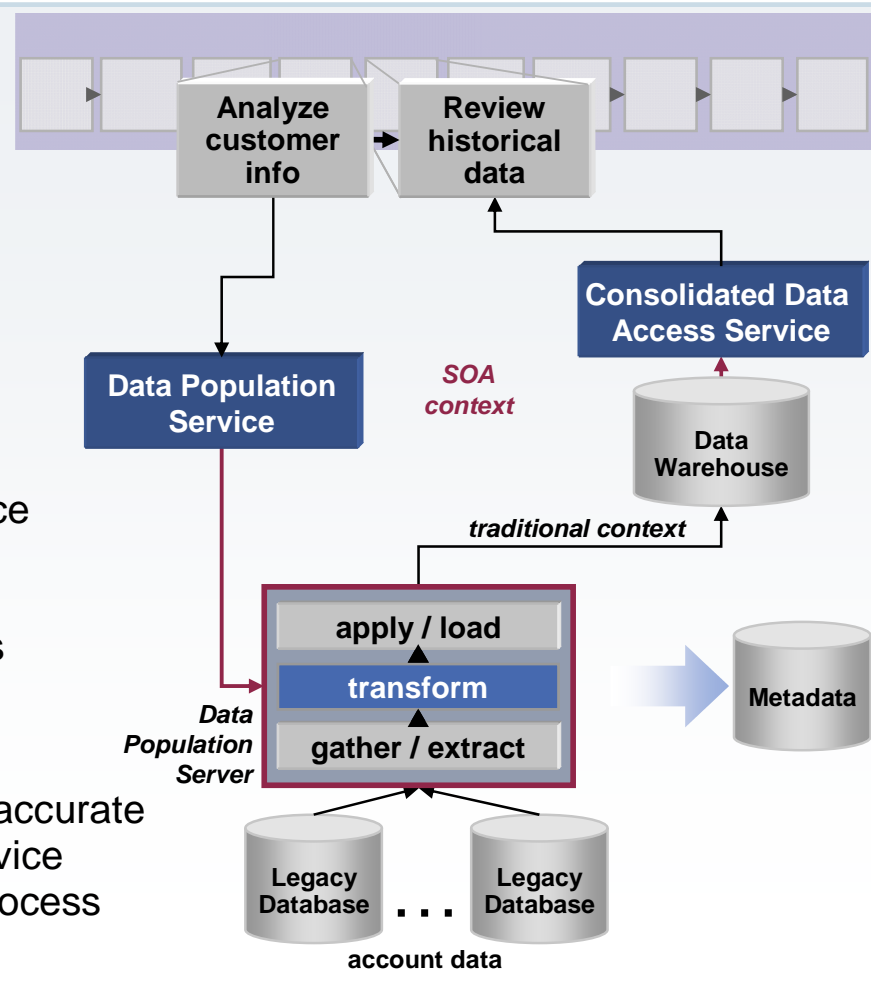
- Data resides in disparate sources
- Manual & redundant integration of data by multiple consumers results in high costs and inconsistent/inaccurate data
- Slow response time due to large data volume and complex transformations

- **Solution Characteristics**

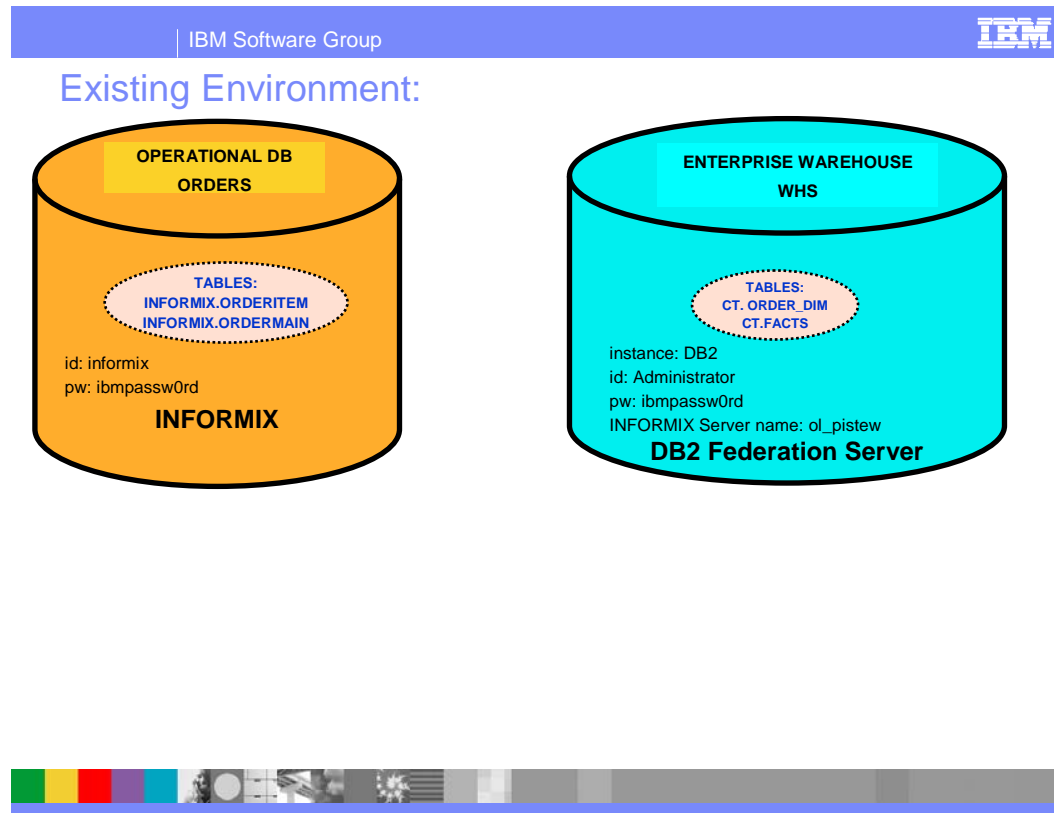
- Apply transformations on extracted source data; copy into consolidated target and expose consolidated data as services
- Invoke population from business process

- **Results**

- Multiple consumers can access trusted, accurate and integrated information through a service
- Data availability aligned with business process

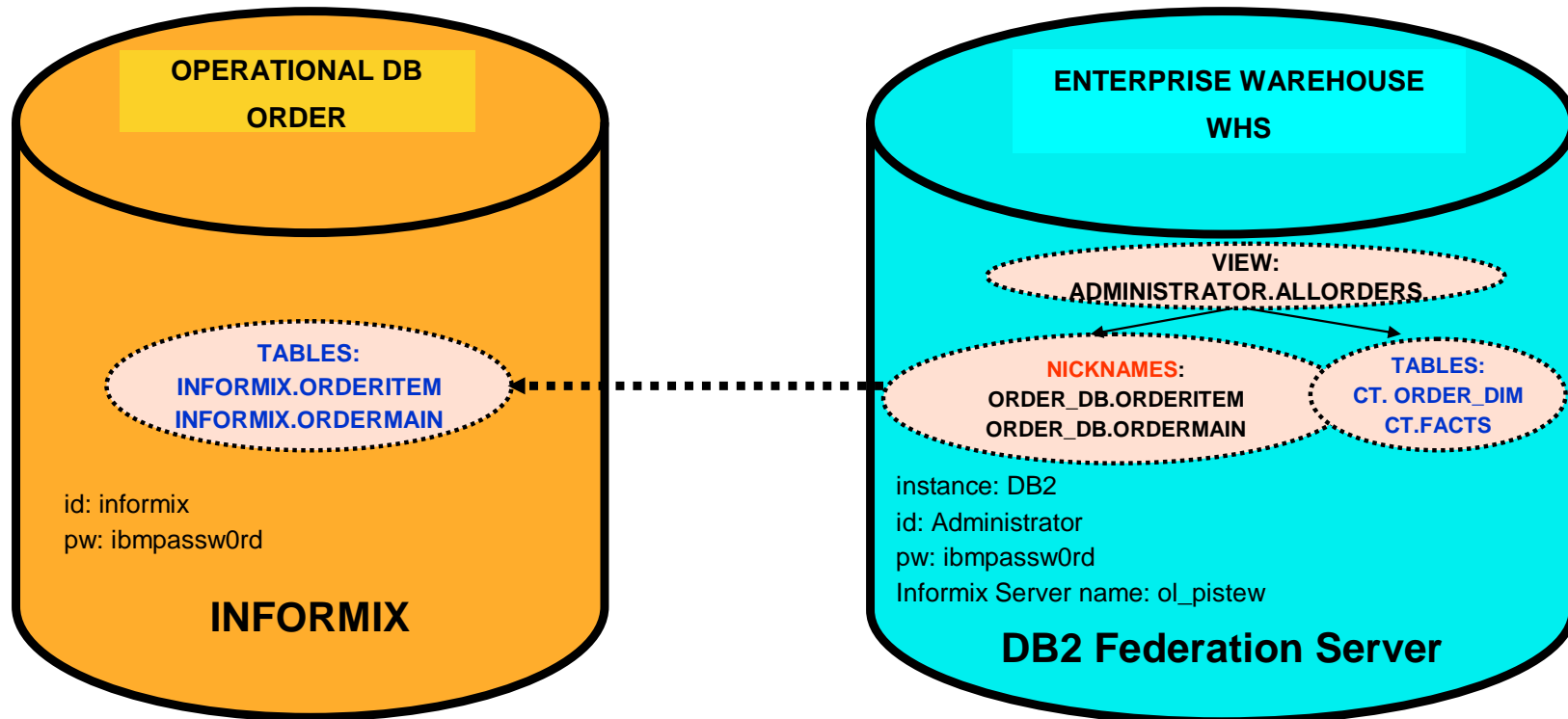


# Data Layout before Data Federation



# Data Layout after Data Federation

## Live Federated Data Access





# Lab IaaS 45 Minutes

# Enjoy the Lab

