



CICS Transaction Server V3.1

CICS Modernization & Integration

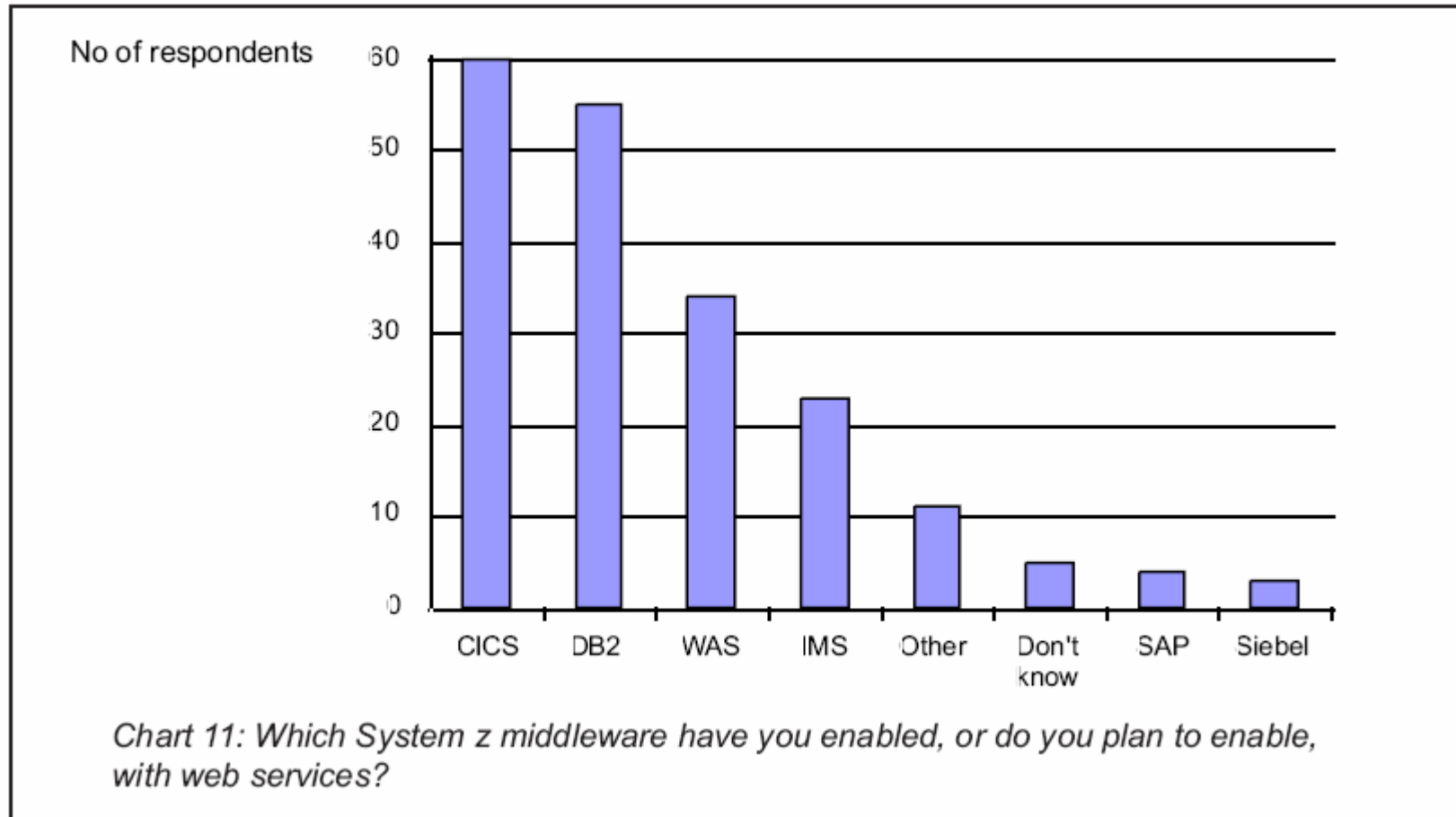
Modernization – easier than thought

“The irony is that *host applications are probably better suited for exposure as part of an SOA than many applications based on more modern 4GL object-oriented languages*

When folks wrote screen-based transactions many months ago, they wrote it at a **business function viewpoint: I add a customer, I add an order for that customer, I check backlogs for that customer, etc. So in many respects, those CICS screens of 15 years ago are **better suited to service orientation** than a lot of the newer, distributed code that’s been written over the last several years, because of their affinity with a business function, what did the **object-oriented guys** do? They **took those screens and they broke them down into a thousand different objects.**”**

Phil Murphy, Forrester Research

CICS and SOA is big !

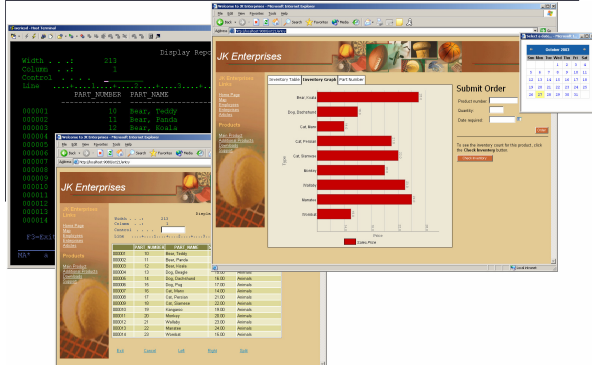


Source: Arcati Limited - The Arcati Mainframe Yearbook 2007

Three Styles of Application Transformation

1 Transform User Experience

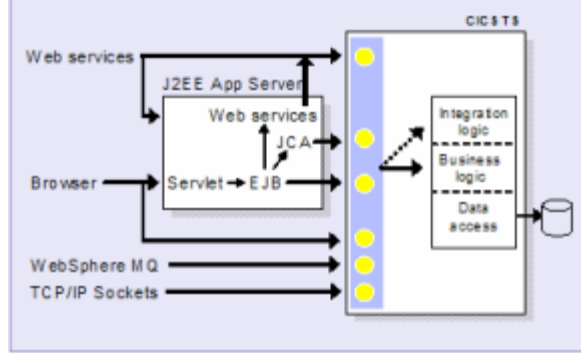
Enhance user interface and workflow for quick return on investment
→ gui-fication



Low Risk – no change to app
Quick return on investment
Affected by change

2 Transform App Connectivity

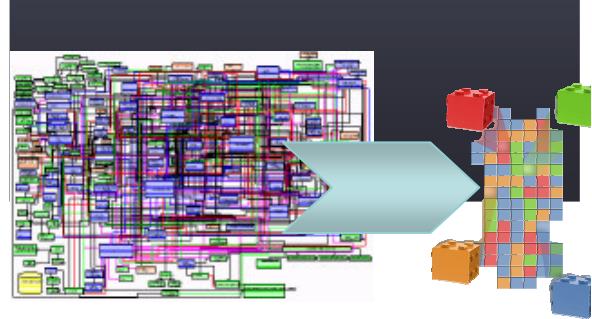
Supply new interfaces to existing application based on open standards like JCA, JMS, J2EE or Web Services



Low Risk – little or no change
Medium Return on investment
Medium affected by change

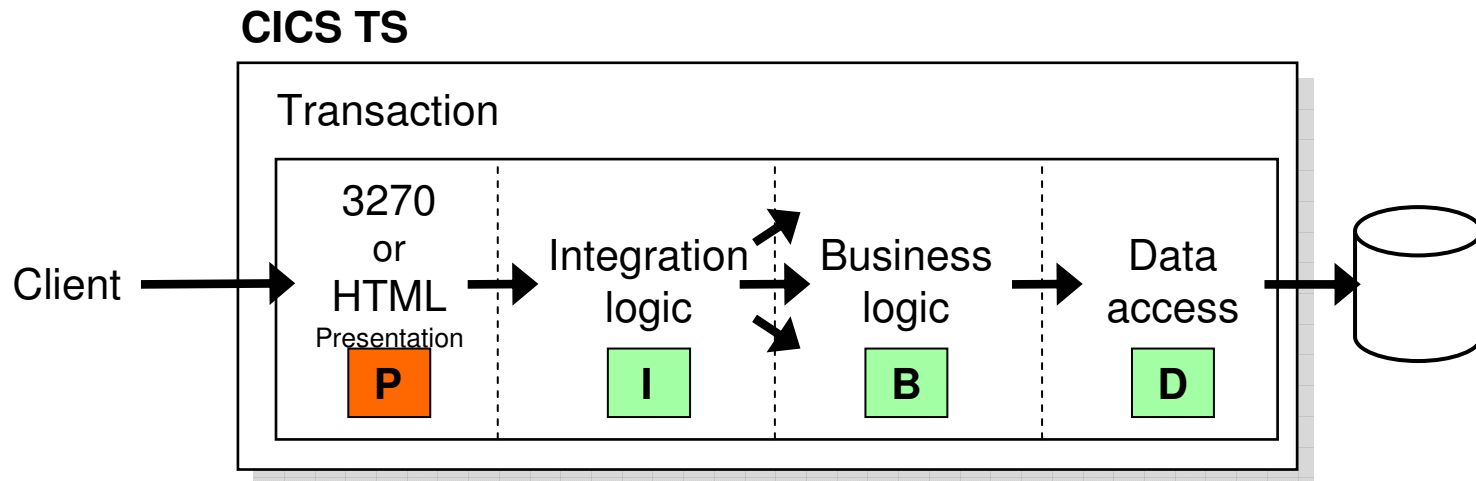
3 Transform App Architecture

Break off monolithic applications and create flexible, reusable modules
→ componentization



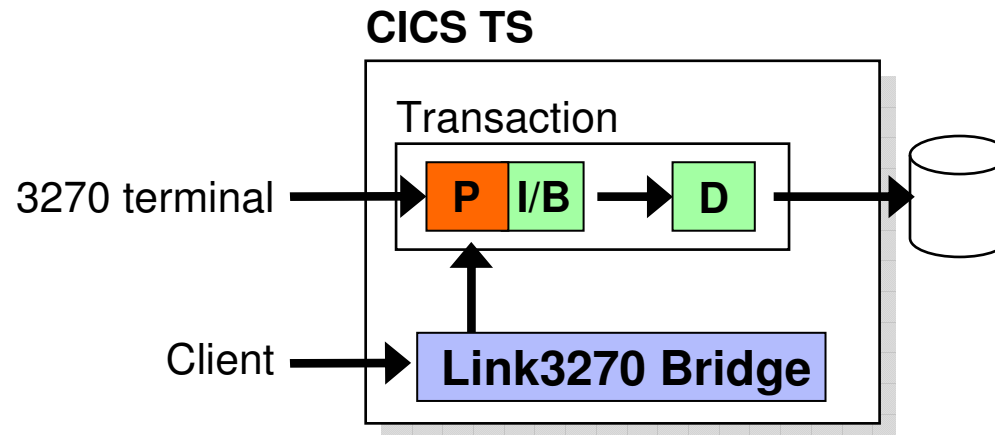
High risk → modification
High Return on investment
Reduces maintenance cost
Increases application flexibility

CICS Application Architecture



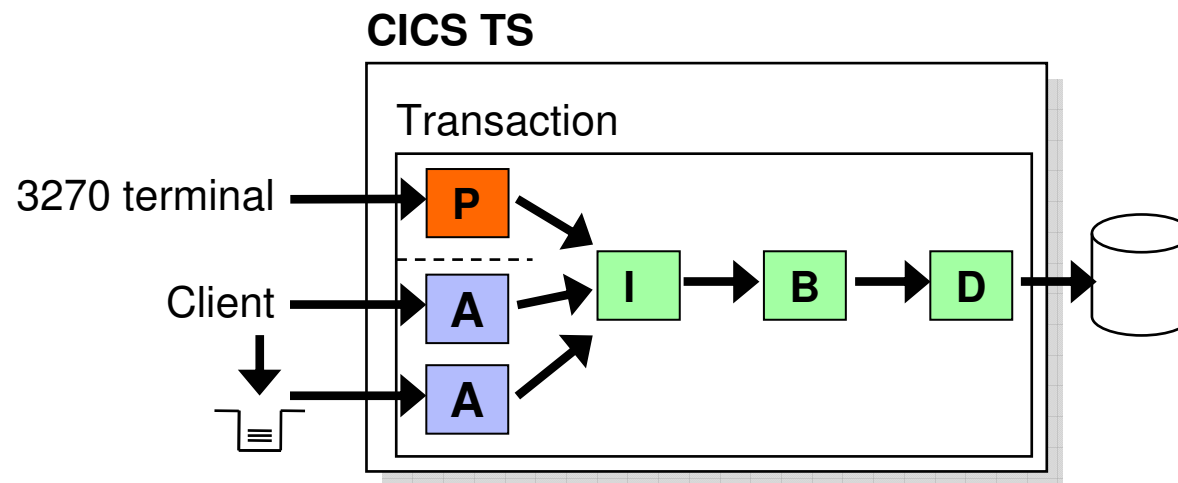
- **Best practice in CICS application design is to separate key elements of the application, in particular:**
 - Presentation logic eg. - 3270, HTML, XML
 - Integration or aggregation logic - Menu, router, tooling
 - Business logic - Reusable component
 - Data access logic - VSAM, DB2, IMS, ...
- **Provides a framework for reuse and facilitates separation of concerns, clear interfaces, ownership, and optimization**
- **Allows callable business logic – parameters passed via COMMAREA**

3270 Based Program Reuse



- Some programs combine presentation, integration, and business logic
- Service Flow Modeler (SFM) and Link3270 Bridge provide a callable, COMMAREA interface to many BMS and terminal-oriented programs
 - Information in the COMMAREA is passed to the BMS application
 - Does not use VTAM or screen scraping
 - No changes required to existing BMS application

Connectivity to CICS



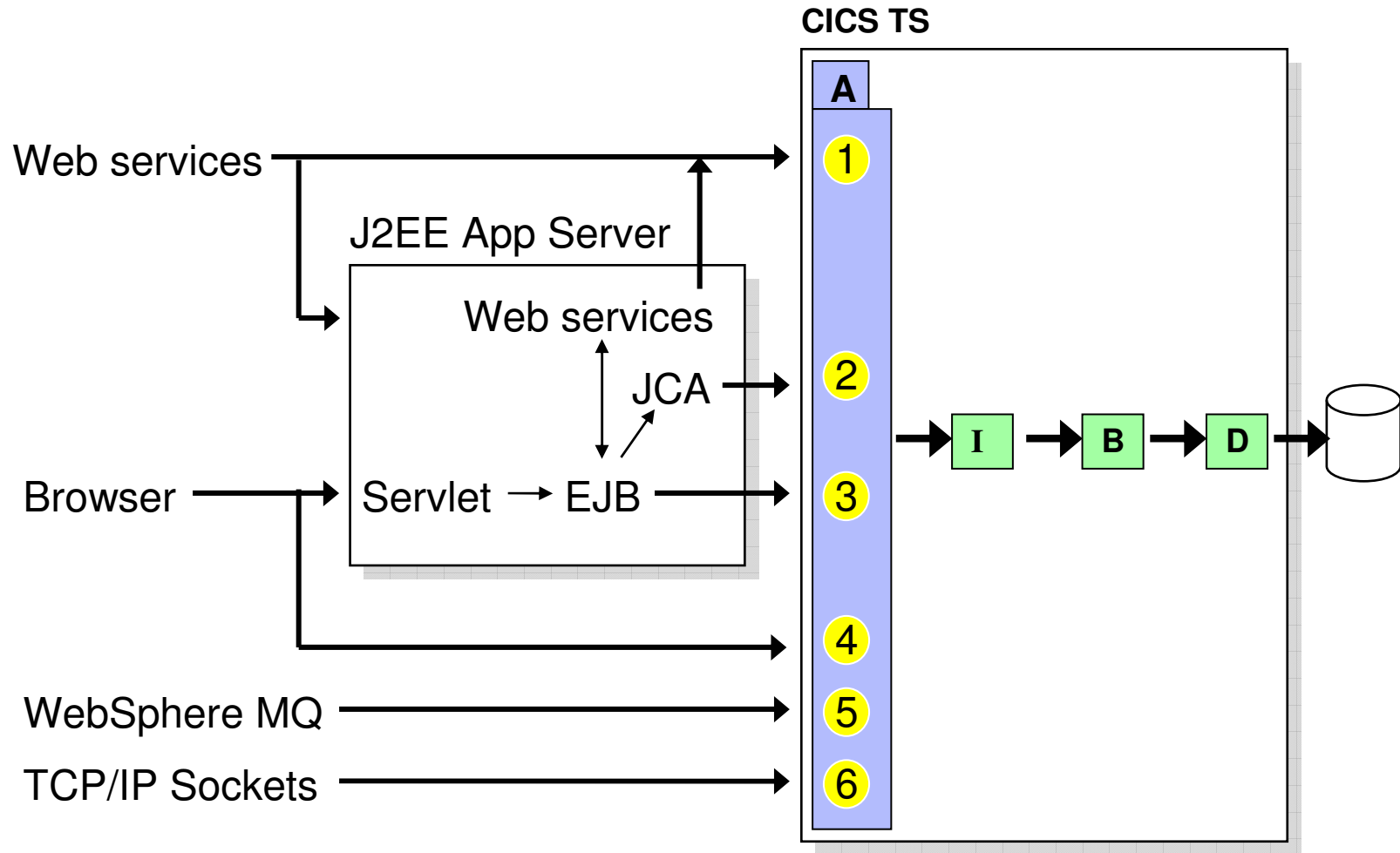
▪ Typical clients...

- Web service requester
- Java servlet or EJB running in a J2EE app server
- C# application running in a Microsoft .NET VM
- Web browser
- Messaging middleware

▪ Transforming technologies...

- External connectors
- A** Internal adapters (user written or generated by tools)
- Standard IP-based protocol

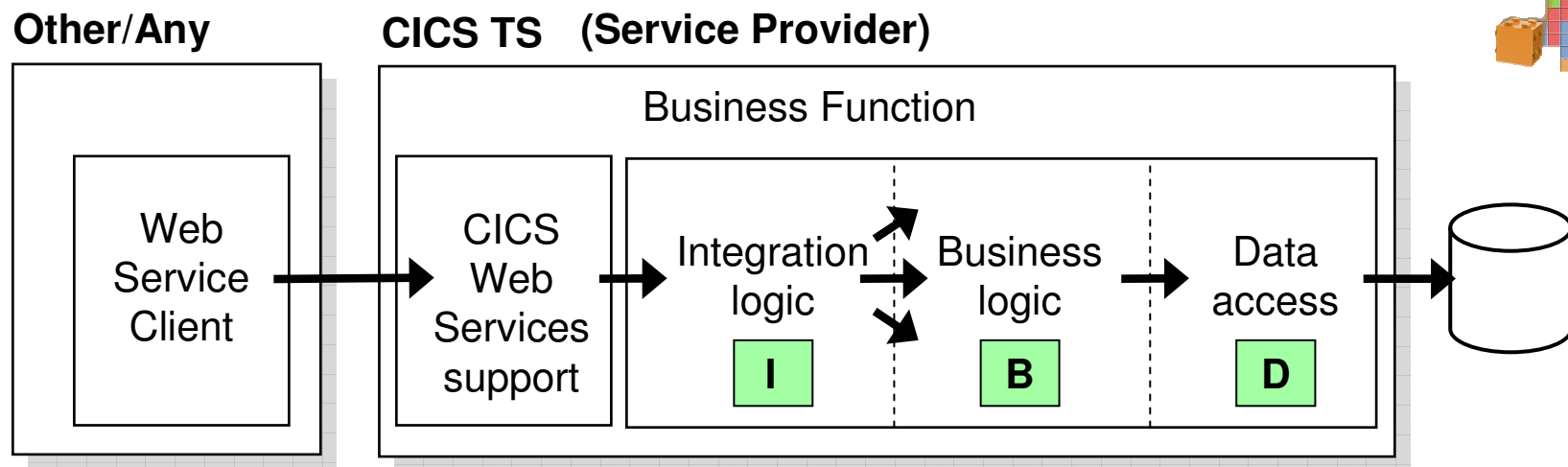
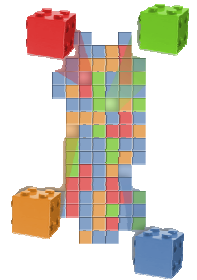
Host Integration – CICS Strategies



Factors Influencing your Integration Choices

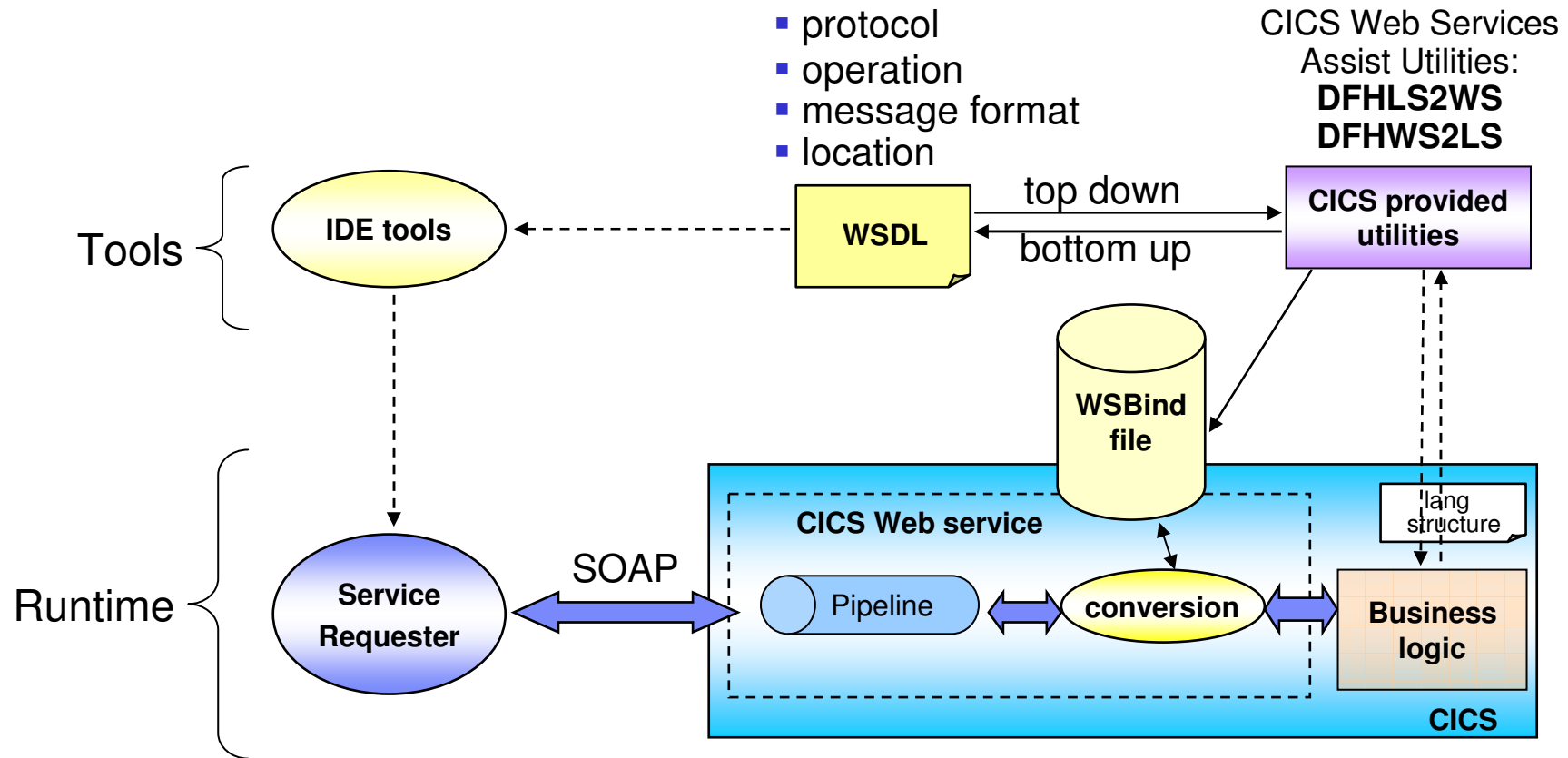
- **Business factors**
 - Agreed company standard or reference frameworks
 - Preferred application development environment and tools
 - Availability of skills
- **Technical factors**
 - Security
 - Transactional scope (1pc, 2pc)
 - Performance
 - Granularity
 - Reliability, availability and scalability (RAS)
 - Synchronous or asynchronous invocation
 - Inbound and outbound capability
 - Client/server coupling
 - Data conversion
 - State management
- **Applications today are typically delivered across several e-business clients**

CICS Web Services Support



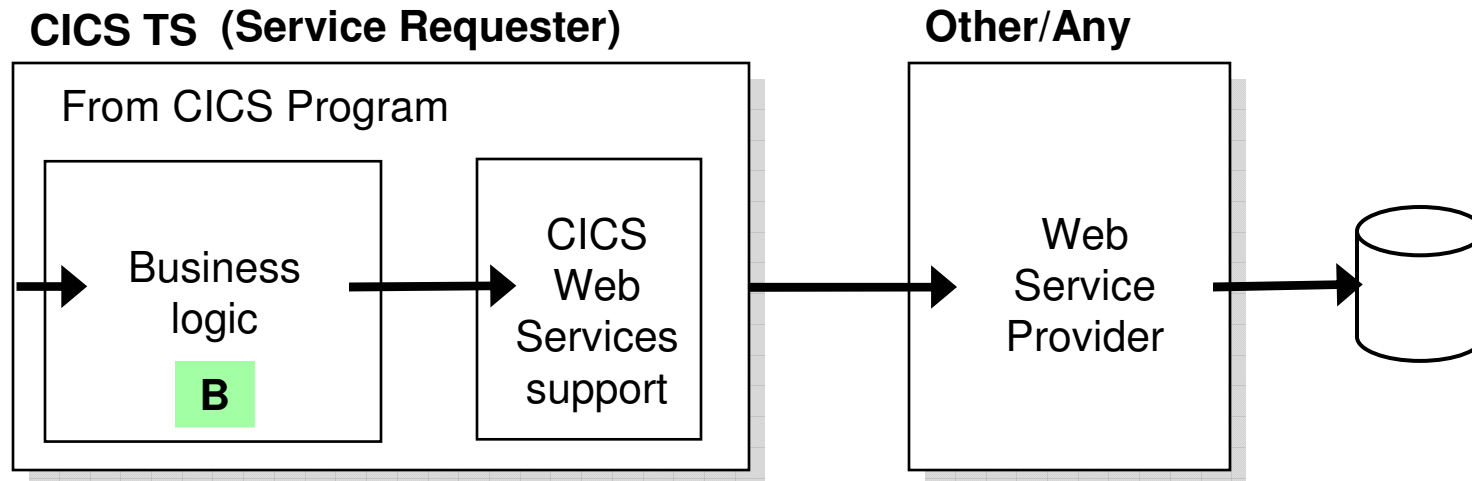
- **Web Services Clients (examples):**
 - Another program in CICS (invoke web service)
 - BPEL process (Process Choreography – WPS/WID)
 - WebSphere Web Services Gateway
 - .NET assembly
 - WebSphere MQ client
 - Anything that can invoke a Web Service

CICS Web services support (overview)

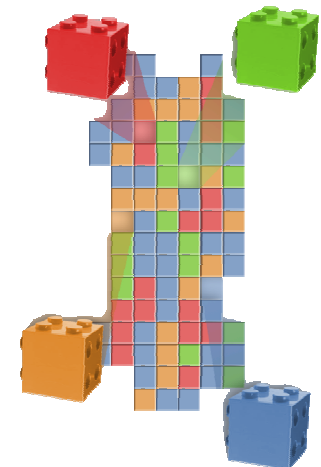


- The pipeline is a set of message handlers that are executed in sequence
- Message handlers perform 'infrastructure' processing on request and response messages and can be used for security, auditing, monitoring etc.

CICS Web Services Support (Requester)

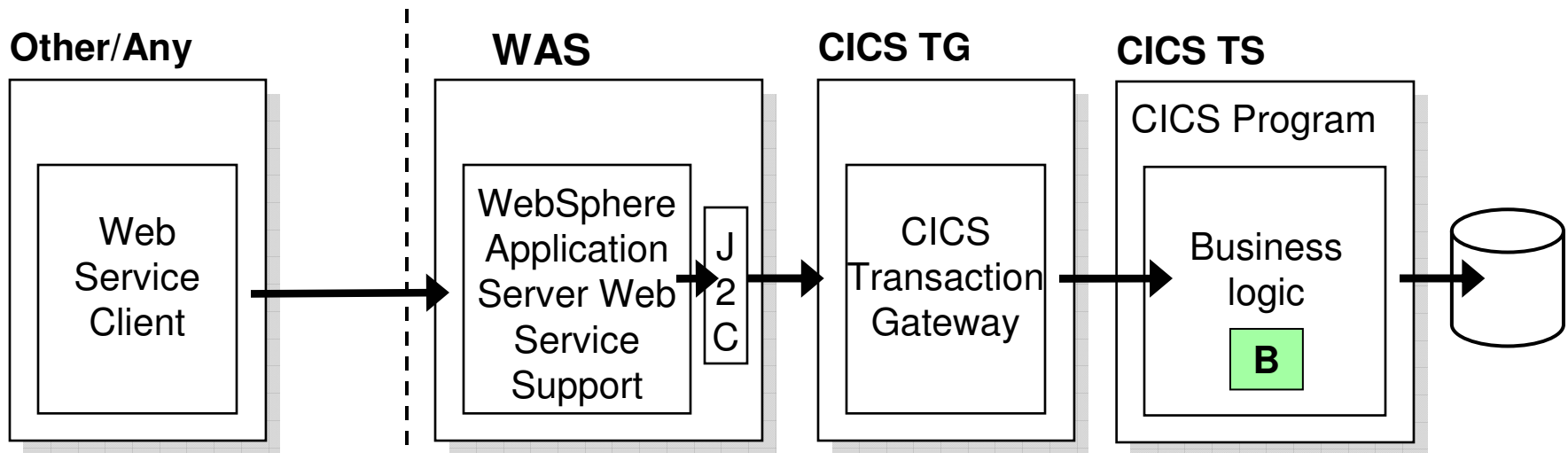
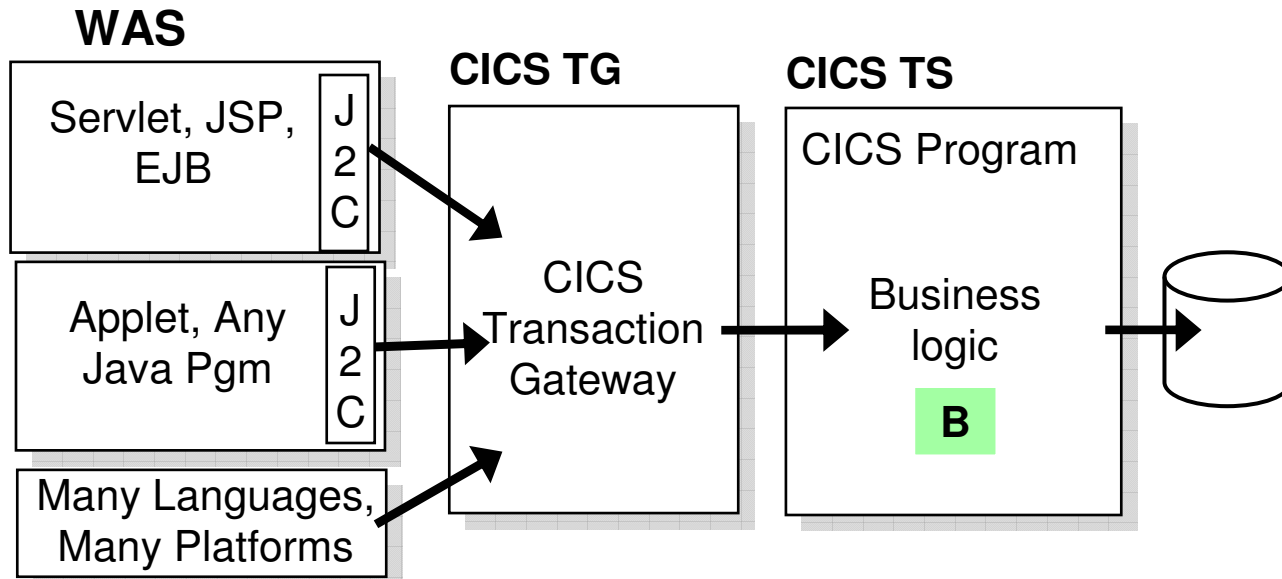


- **Invoke Web Services from CICS programs**
 - Any Language (COBOL, Assembler, PL/I, C, C++, Java)
 - EXEC CICS INVOKE WEB SERVICE ...
- **Web Service Could be (examples):**
 - A CICS based Web Service
 - BPEL process (Process Choreography – WPS/WID)
 - WebSphere Web Services Gateway
 - .NET assembly
 - Any Web Service (SOAP over HTTP or MQ)

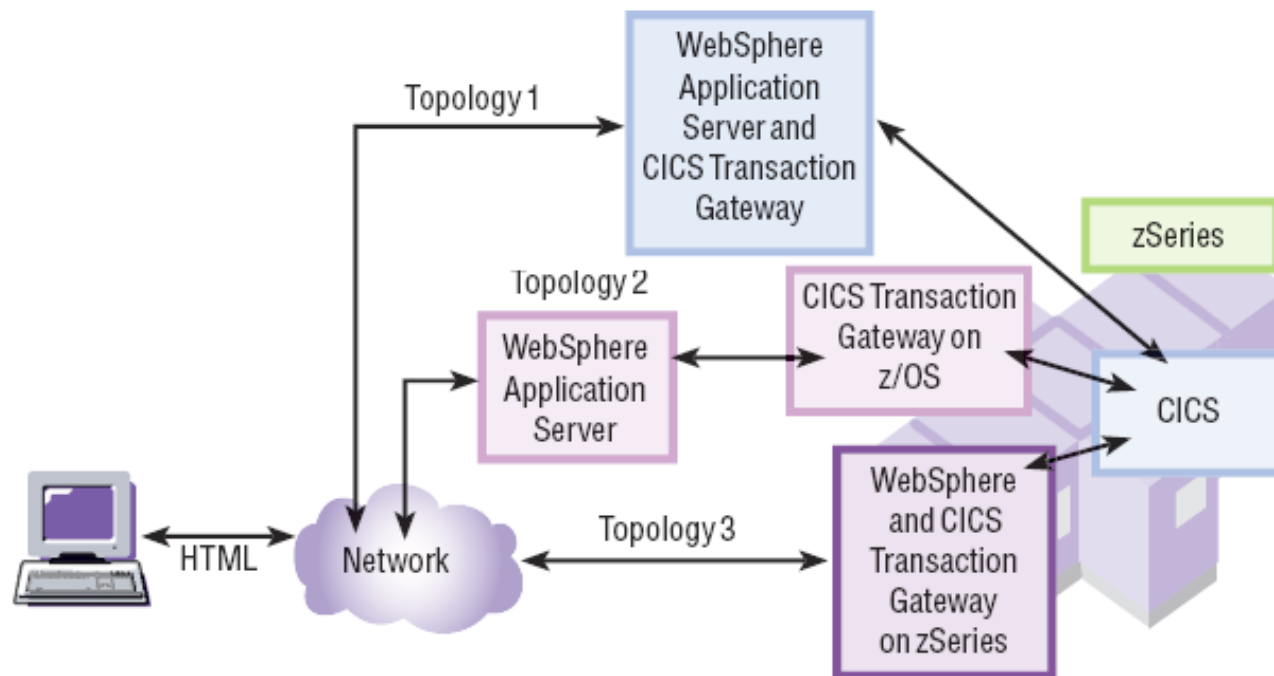


WAS=WebSphere Application Server

CICS Transaction Gateway



CTG Topologies



Topology 1.

Application Server and the CICS Transaction Gateway are both deployed on a distributed (non-zSeries) platform.

Topology 2.

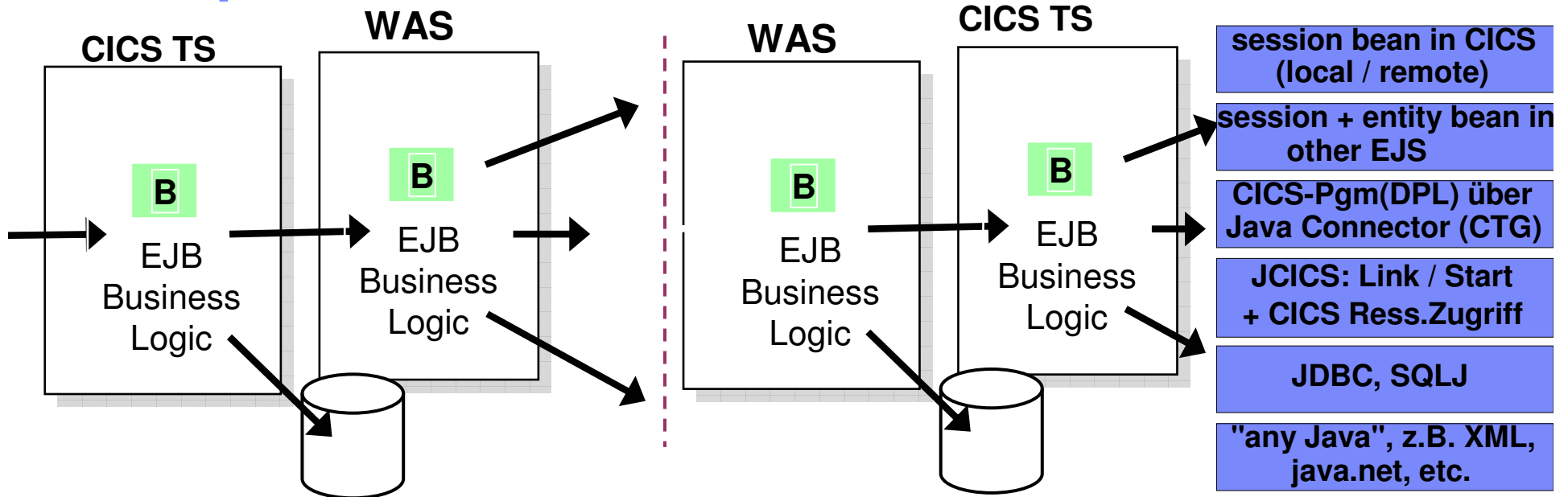
Application Server is deployed on a distributed platform and the CICS Transaction Gateway is deployed on z/OS.

Topology 3.

Both Application Server and the CICS Transaction Gateway are deployed on zSeries.

Enterprise JavaBeans

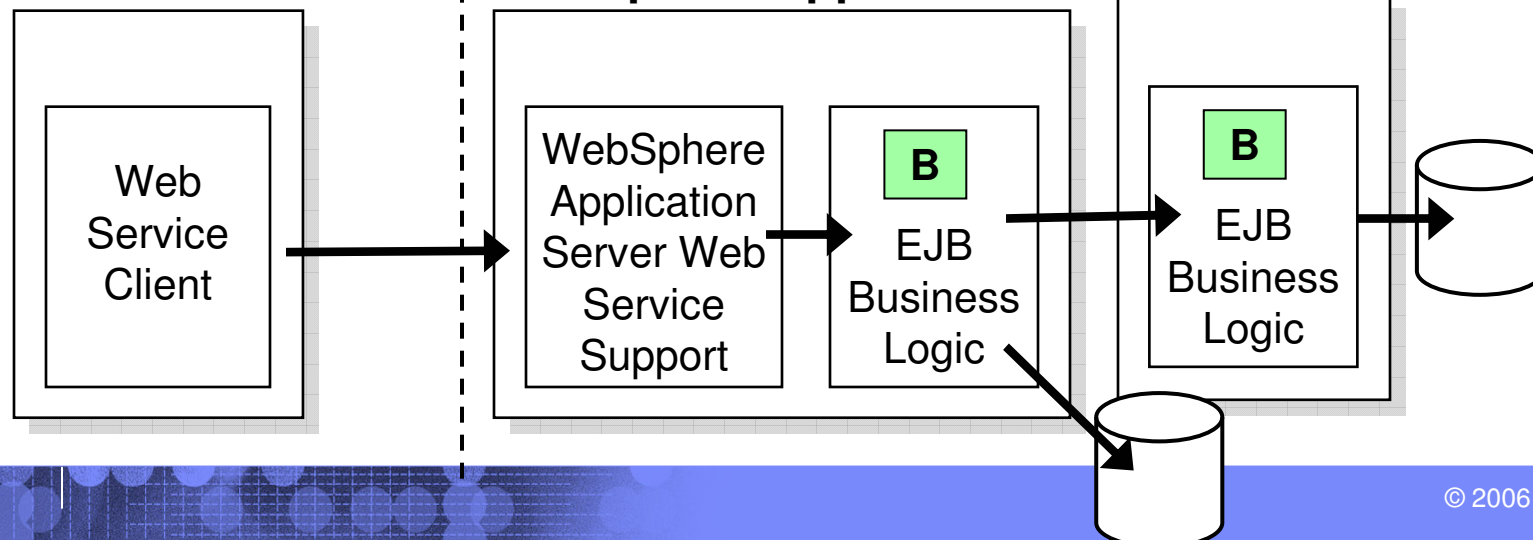
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Other/Any

WebSphere App Server

CICS TS



CICS Interoperability Summary

CICS Transaction Server

Standard architecture	Capabilities	Security to zSeries	Transactional scope	Interface	Coupling
1. Web Services	Synchronous (HTTP) Asynchronous (WebSphere MQ) Inbound and outbound	User ID + password SSL	Local CICS transaction Global transaction	CONTAINER COMMAREA XML	Loose
2. JCA	32KB max message size Inbound only Synchronous and Async	User ID + password Thread identity SSL	Local transaction Global transaction	COMMAREA	Medium
3. Enterprise JavaBeans	EJB state management Inbound and outbound Synchronous	EJB security roles SSL	CICS transaction Global transaction	Enterprise JavaBean session bean	Tight

Standard transport

4. WebSphere MQ	Inbound and outbound Asynchronous Assured delivery	User ID + password SSL	CICS transaction	WebSphere MQ API or COMMAREA	Medium
5. HTTP	Inbound and outbound Synchronous	User ID + password SSL	CICS transaction	CICS WEB API	Medium
6. TCP/IP sockets	Inbound and outbound Synchronous and Async	User ID + password	CICS transaction	CICS sockets API	Tight

Any more questions?



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