



DDS TUTORIAL

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Data-centric Foundation

- ✓ Into the mood
- ✓ Net-centric Future: 'the data is the network'
- ✓ The 'information-centric approach'

Driving the Standard

- ✓ Naval Combat Systems (CMS) example
- ✓ The OMG DDS specification

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DDS 'By Example'

- ✓ DDS profiles
- ✓ Corba Integration

Concept Demo

✓ DDS Chatroom 'concept' demo







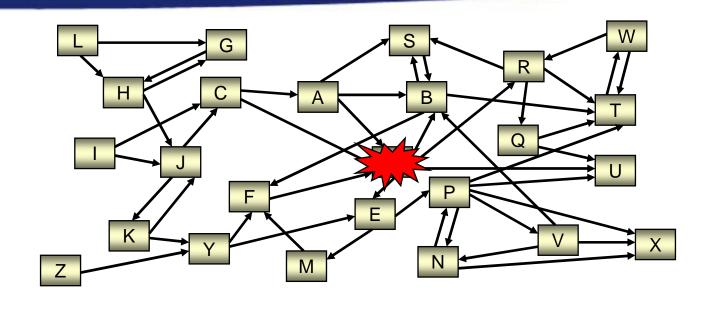


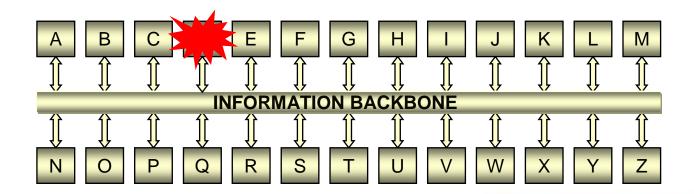




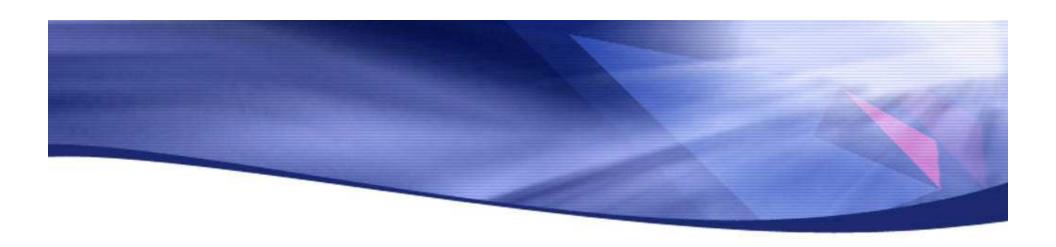


Into the mood (4): '...Client/server vs. Pub-sub: A mind-shift...











Net-centric Future: 'The Data is the Network'



© ARMS (Doug Schmidt): R&D Challenge





The "soft underbelly" of commercial, military, & infrastructure DRE systems depend increasingly on information technology, making attacks both attractive & lethally effective

Information

Appliances

Information Grids Clusters Servers Clients **R&D Challenges:** Create •efficient, •scalable, •reliable, •secure, • & predictable DRE system technologies from nano- to tera-scale

Global

MFMS BioMonitoring





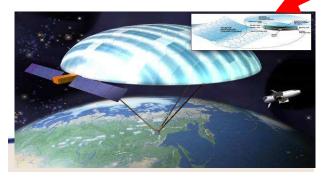
© ARMS (Doug Schmidt): R&D Challenge: Current challenges and limitations = "Scalability"!

Emerging Trends

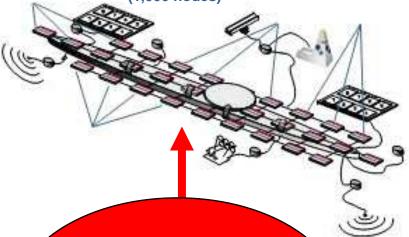
- Large-scale DRE system requirements are increasingly more
 - Dynamic
 - Diverse
 - Demanding



Distributed Network of embedded sensor motes for environment monitoring, tracking, & surveillance (10,000 nodes)

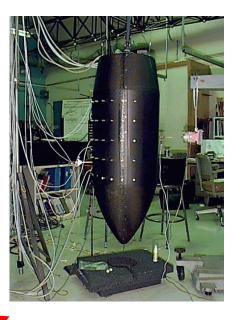


Total Ship Computing Environments: Global dynamic resource management (1,000 nodes)



1000 – 1,000,000 node fusion of physical & information systems

Gossamer Space Antenna (1,000,000 nodes)



Distributed Active Control: Vibration Damping on Delta-4 Rocket Payload Fairing (1,000 nodes)



Net-centricity: The Data Is The Network™ - I



Leverage the Power of Information

NET-CENTRICITY:

People, processes, and technology working together to enable timely and trusted:

- ACCESS to information
- SHARING of information
- COLLABORATION among those who need it

Can Only Be Done on The Net!

Connecting People With Information





The Move to Net-Centricity

Current

Net-Centric

Information stovepipes — Shared information

"Welded" interfaces ———— Unconstrained

Predetermined needs — Unanticipated users

Fixed display formats — User-defined info and formats

Need to know Need to share; right to know

Rigid

Agile

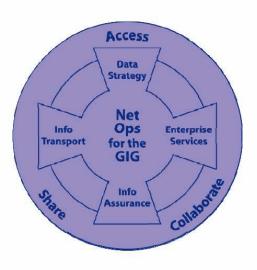
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Net-Centric Framework





- Data Strategy:
 - How to "share" the data
- Enterprise Services:
 - How to "access" the data
- Information Transport:
 - How to "move" the data
- Network Operations:
 - How to "operate and defend" the GIG
- Information Assurance:
 - How to keep it all "dependable"

Data: Discoverable, Accessible, Understandable

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The Information-centric Approach



TRENDS (© SUN) 14

	Client-Server	3/N-Tier	Net Apps	Net Services	Next	After that
Catch Phrase	The Network is the computer	Objects	Legacy to the Web	The Computer is the Network	Network of embedded things	Network of Things
System Collections Components						
Scale	1905	1000s	10000008	100000005	1000000008	10000000000
When/Peak	1984/1987	1990/1993	1996/1999	2001/2002	4008/2004	2004/2007
Leaf Protocol(s)	×	X	+HTTP (+IVM)	"Information - Backbone" (DDS)		Unknown
Directory(s)	NIS, NIS+	+ CDS	+ LDAP (*)	+60001	+,µmi	+?
Session	RPC, XDR	+CORBA	+CORBA, RMI	+ SOAP, XML	+ RML/Jini	e?
Schematic						
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Catch Phrase

System **Collections** Components

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Directory(s)

Session

Schematic.

Dr. Richard Soley (OMG Chairman & CEO):

"The DCPS publish/subscribe model stands as a natural complement, to the object-centric client/server model provided by CORBA"

(Consumer Electronics, September 13, 2004)

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1984/

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Doc Allen (OMG Co-Chair & Mitre):

"DDS clearly has the potential to become 'THE' dominant (real-time) standard in the Net-centric environment"

(OMG-RTESS plenary meeting June'04)

2004/2007

Unknown

Dave Sharp (Boeing FCS chief-architect):

"The (Army) SOSCOE environment will be based on MDA/UML and OMG-DDS"

(OMG sponsor-presentation, June'04)

Java

Information Grids

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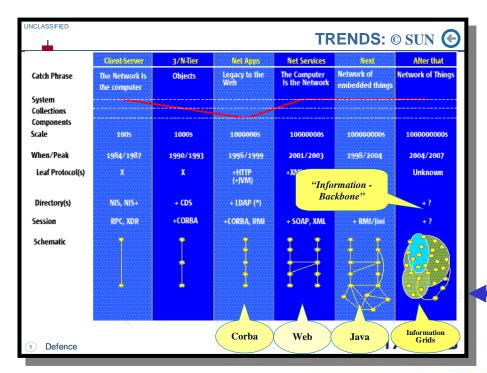
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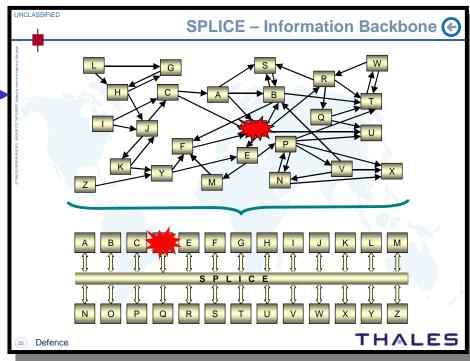
Network of Things

BACKGROUND & TRENDS

The Idea: Reduced complexity

- pub/sub already patented in 1987
- information backbone
- "Right info, Right place, Right time





Towards an 'information-centric' world

- Loosely coupled components
- Dynamic systems
- Traditional architectures don't suffice



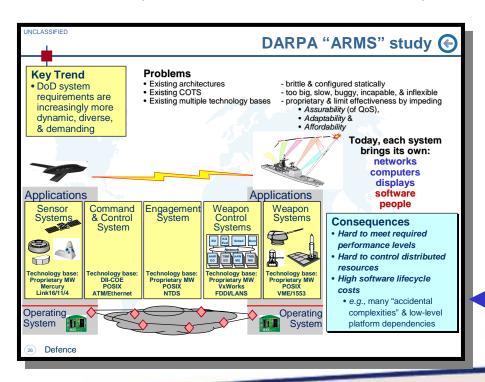
in Line with the Network Centric Warfare Paradigm

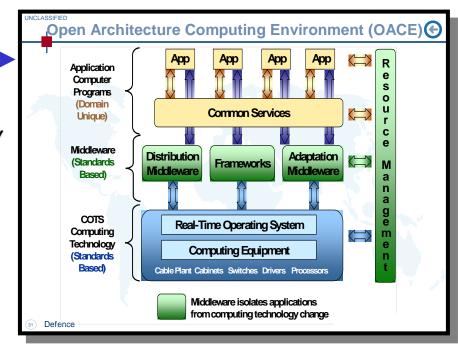
DDS mandated for US - OACE

- DDS is key for success in NAVY OA
- Evaluated since 2004

"NDDS/SPLICE provide good performance and scalability as a publish-subscribe middleware for combat system applications"

(NSWC-DD, OA Technical assessment 07/2004)





"The finalization and availability of the DDS specification really is a tremendous achievement that addresses a significant need in both government and civilian sectors"

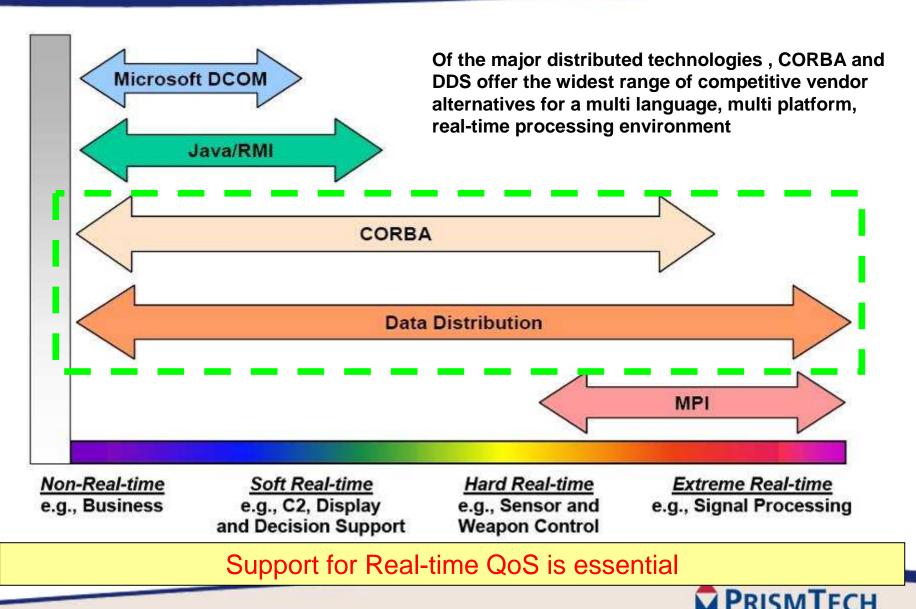
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Recognized potential

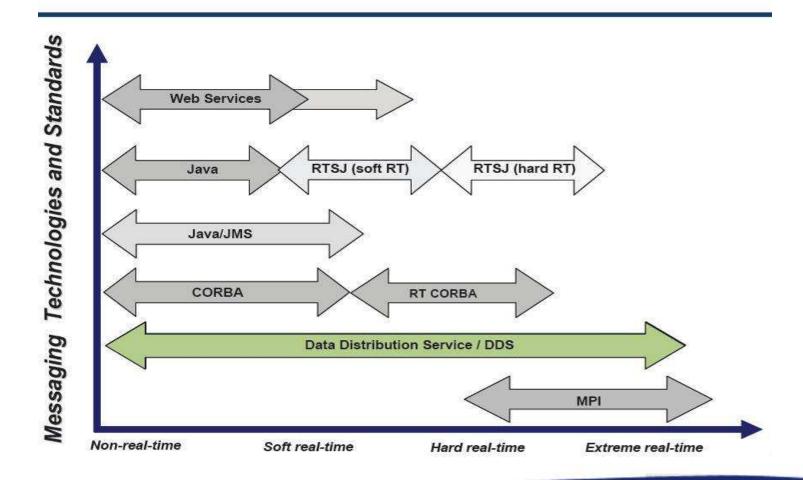
- DARPA recognizes DDS importance
- Dynamic Resource Management potential



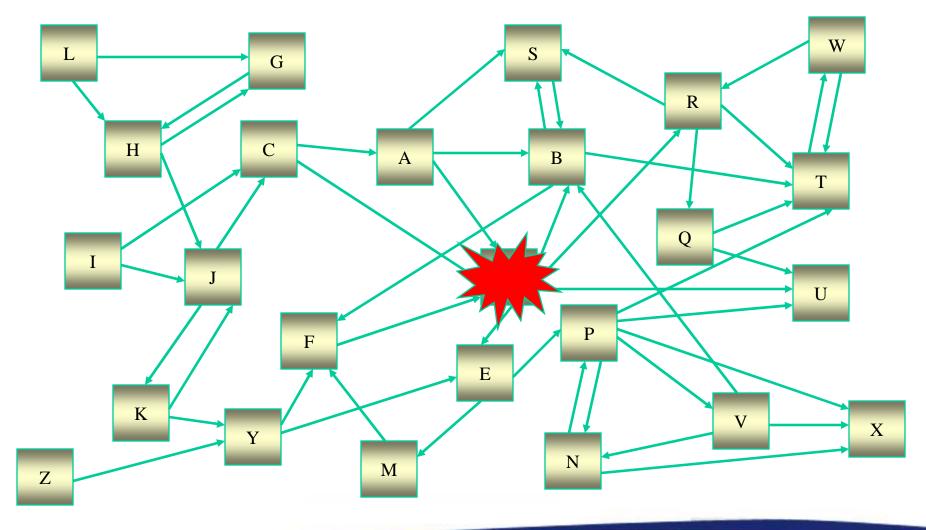
Productivity Tools & Middleware



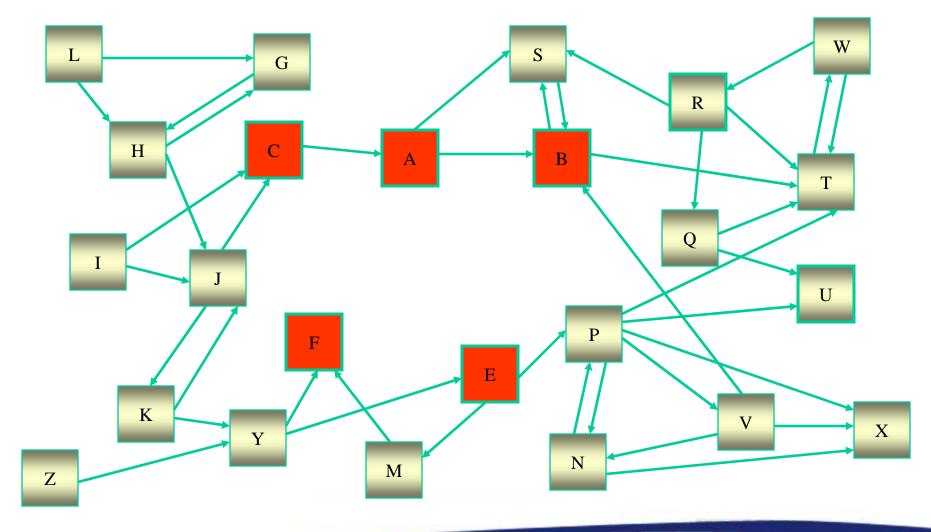
Data-Distribution and Real-Time





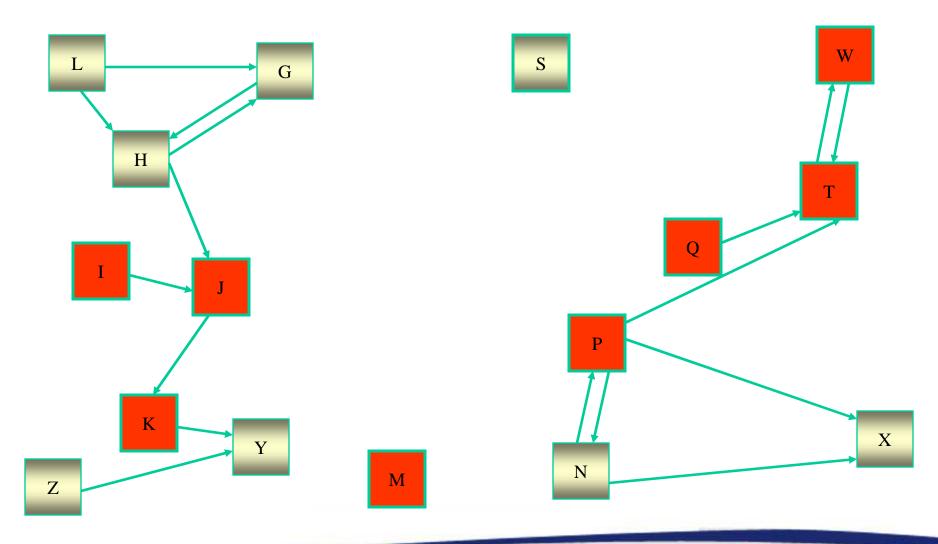




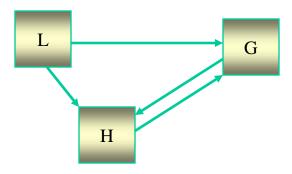








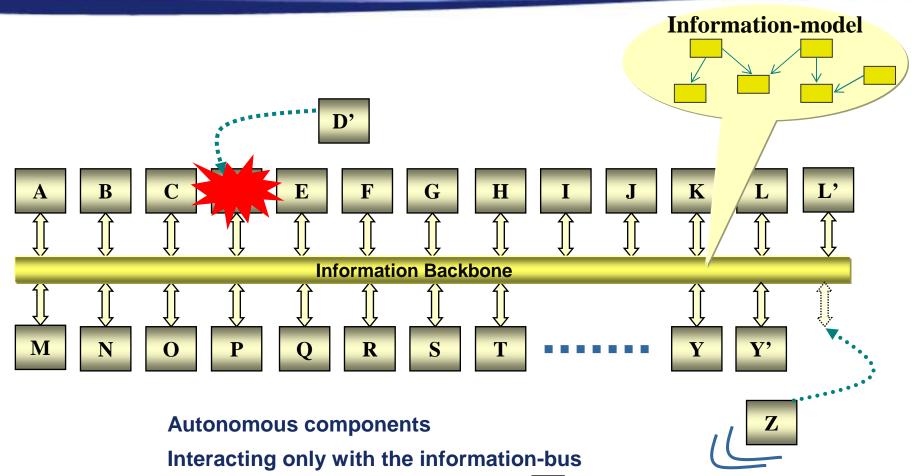








DDS: AN INFORMATION-CENTRIC ARCHITECTURE



Spontaneous: **Z**, Self-healing:

D'

Redundant & Replicated:

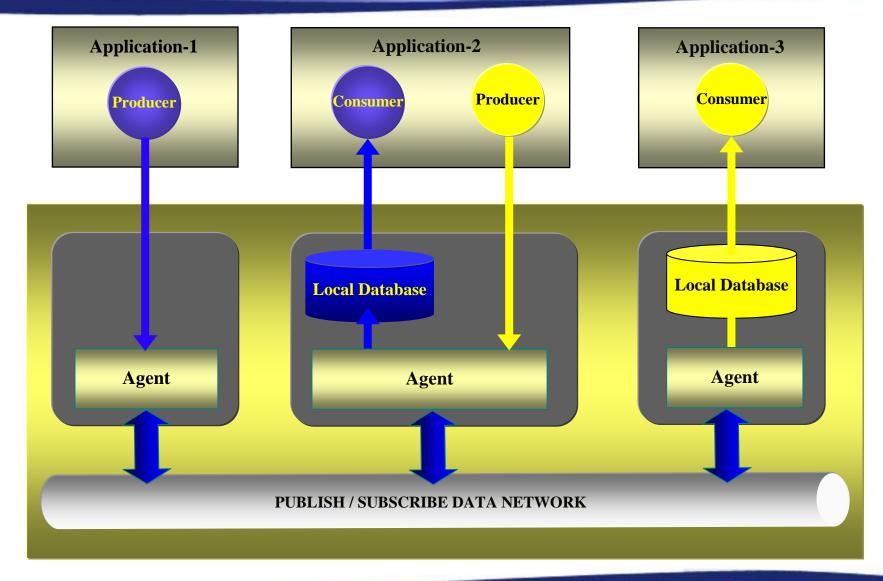
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QOS-driven Data Distribution Service (reliability, urgency, importance):

importance): DDS

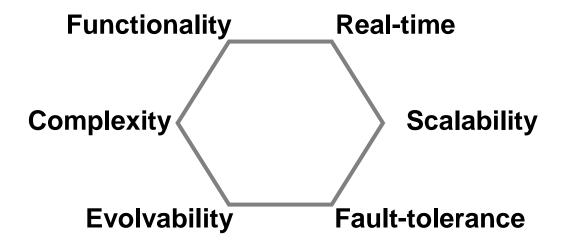


INFORMATION BACKBONE: "Under the hood"









Many different types of requirements



Design principles:

- Minimize dependencies between components
- Share stable properties

Focus on:

- Autonomous component behavior
- Common information model

Middleware delivers:

The right information at the right place at the right time"

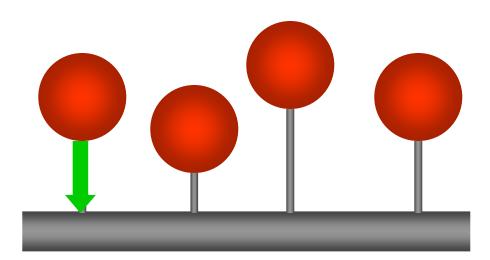


Architectural Requirements: Lifecycle focus



- System design
 - provide a stable basis to operate upon by applications
 - enhance component autonomy
 - allow transparent and global QoS assurance
- System development
 - > reduce complexity and enhance re-usability
 - provide shared/guaranteed properties
 - small learning effort and flat learning curve
- System integration
 - support effortless component integration
 - provide easy monitor & control
 - shift ratio between design and integration effort
- System deployment
 - guaranty QoS for reliability, latency and persistency
 - allow runtime migration of applications
 - allow applications to join the system at any time
- System maintenance & evolution
 - allow runtime replacement and evolutionary upgrading
 - support for logging & replay of information
 - provide future-proof, re-usable, robust and scalable system

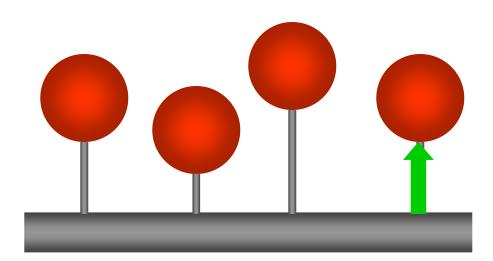




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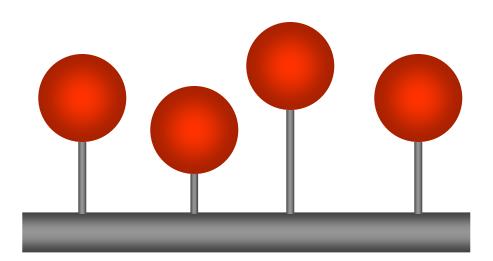




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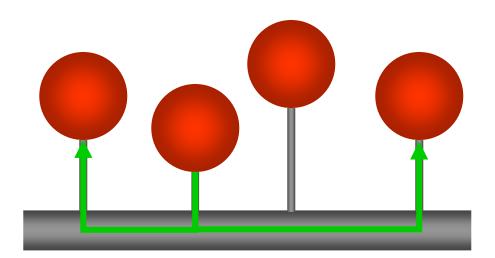




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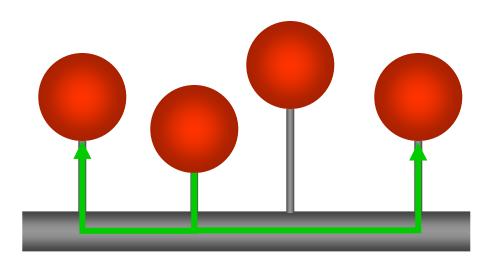
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Data Definition

- Applications subscribe to TOPICS
- Each **TOPIC** has an associated **name** and data **type**:
 - Data (type) definition in IDL
 - 'key' fields for unique identification
 - more recent instances overwrite existing instances with same key value (keeping into account the 'history-depth' QoS setting of a subscriber)
- Example (IDL types):

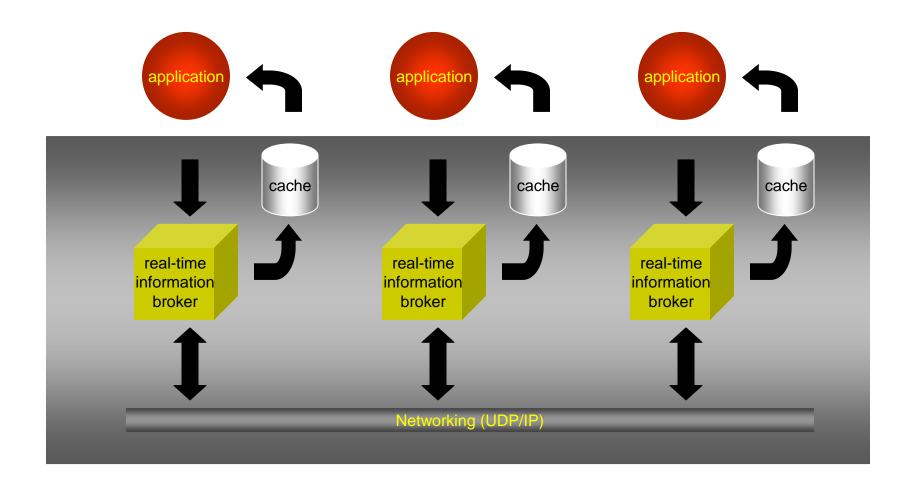


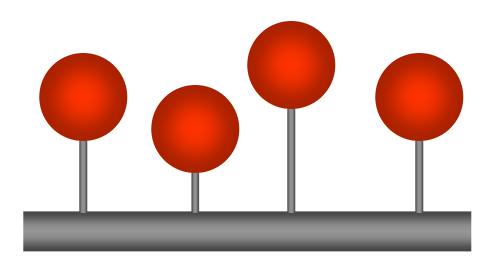


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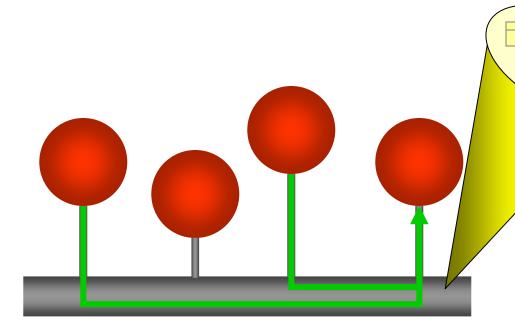






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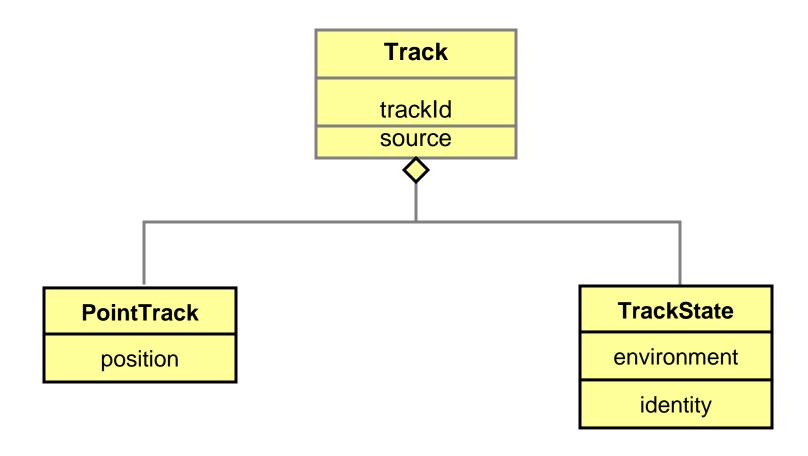




Content-based subscription through relational views

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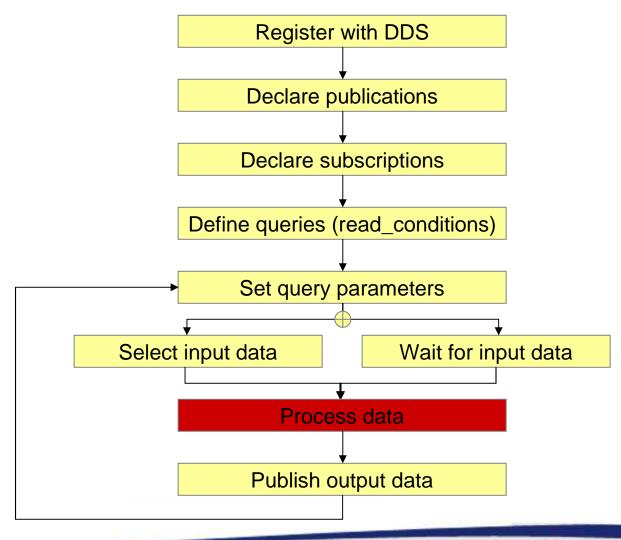


Data filtering in DDS, e.g. using SQL:

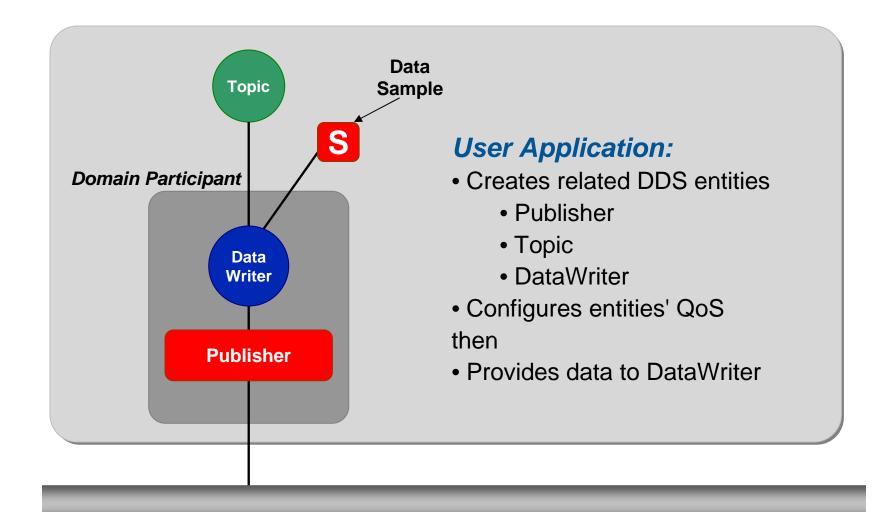
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select * from TrackPosition
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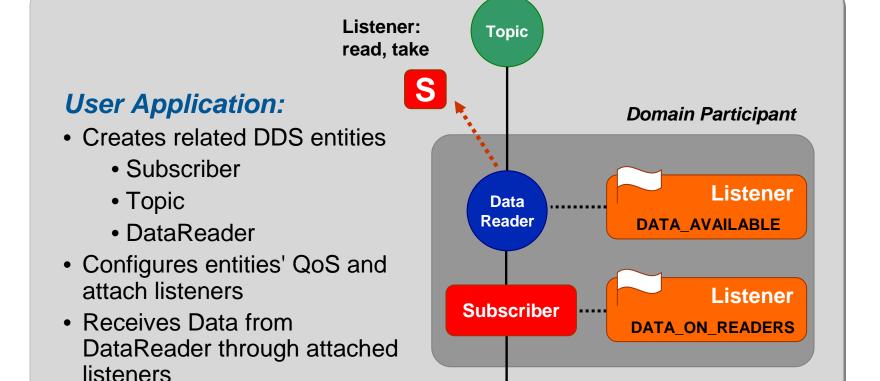
Aggregation and projection in DDS, e.g. using SQL:







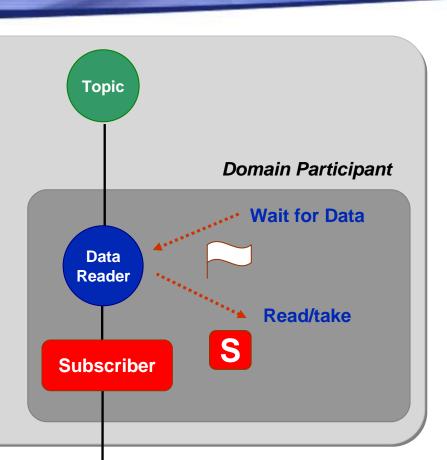




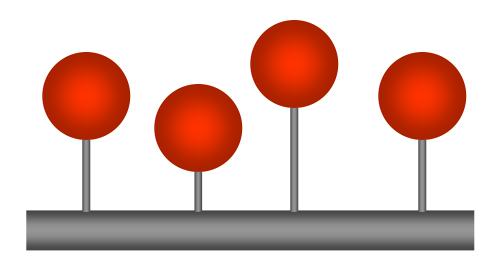


User Application:

- Creates related DDS entities
 - Subscriber
 - Topic
 - DataReader
- Configures entities' QoS
- Creates a Condition and attaches it to a WaitSet
- Waits on the WaitSet until data arrive, then picks it on the DataReader



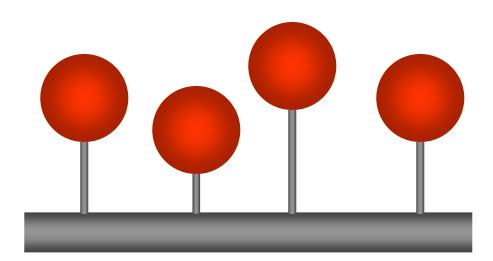




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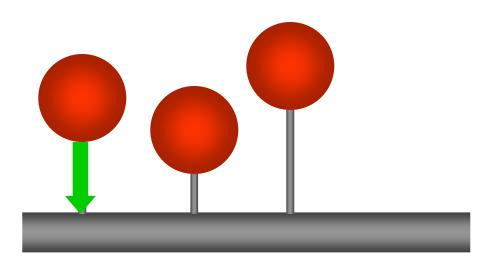


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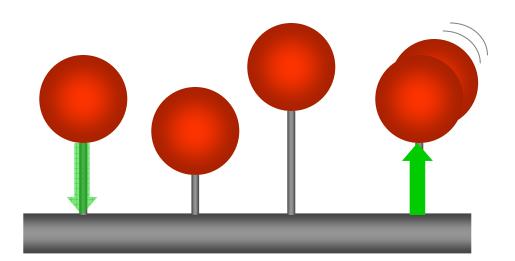




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Data Persistency



Volatile data:

- no copies outside process space
- typically *measurement* related data

Transient data:

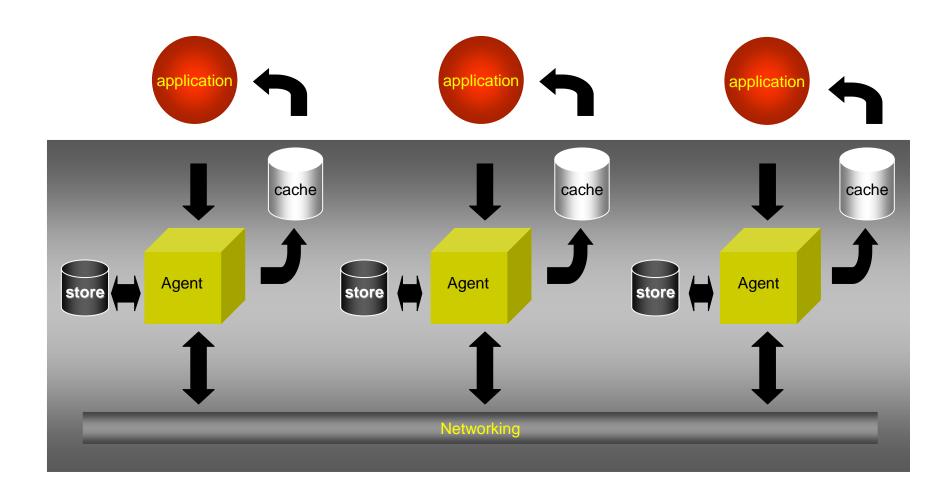
- opies are kept on more than one host
- outlives process
- > typically state related data

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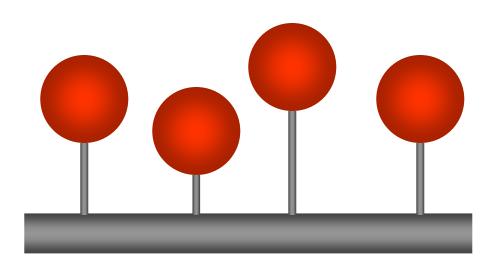
- same as transient data, but additionally stored on disk
- outlives system
- typically *configuration* data



Self-Healing: Fault-tolerant persistence



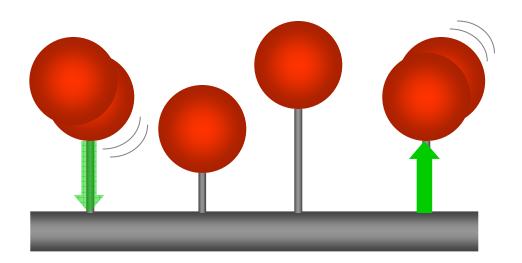




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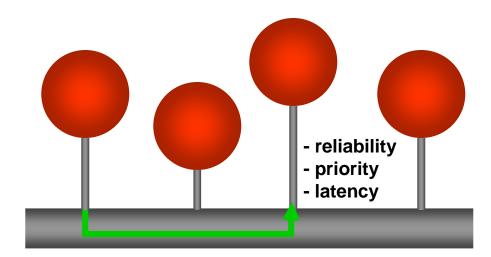




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QoS is attributed to data (statically or dynamically)

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Data Delivery



Reliability:

- "Best effort"
 - No Guaranteed delivery i.e. no retransmissions when data 'gets lost'
 - Typical for periodic measurement related data
- "Reliable"
 - Suaranteed delivery by automatic re-transmissions of lost data
 - > Typical for non-periodic and important published information

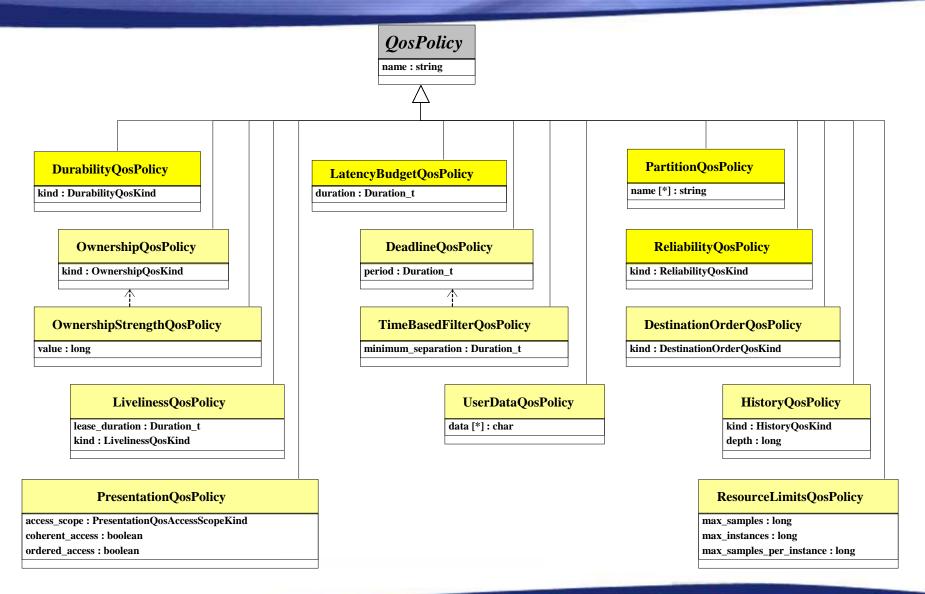
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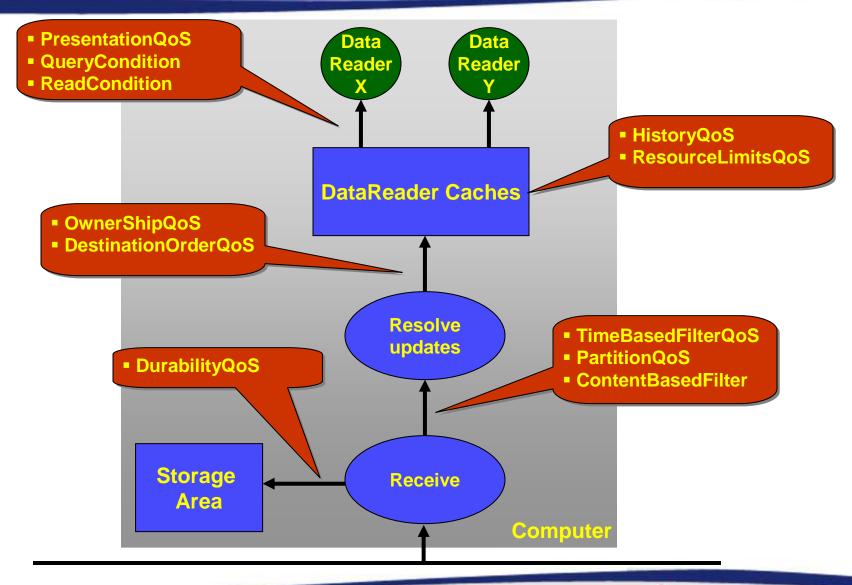
- "Latency Budget"
 - Specifies 'how fast' data should be delivered i.e. its 'urgency'
 - Allows middleware to balance between high-volume & low-latency

Priority:

- "Transport_Priority"
 - Specifies the priority of the published information i.e. its 'importance'
 - Allows middleware to pre-empt low-priority data with high-priority data







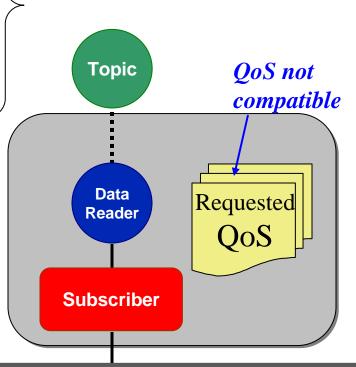
QoS:Durability
QoS:Presentation
QoS:Deadline
QoS:Latency_Budget
QoS:Ownership

QoS Request / Offered: Ensure that compatible QoS parameters are set.

QoS:Ownership
QoS:Liveliness
QoS:Reliability

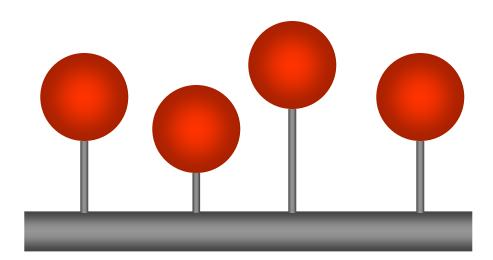
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Communication not established if offered QoS < requested QoS

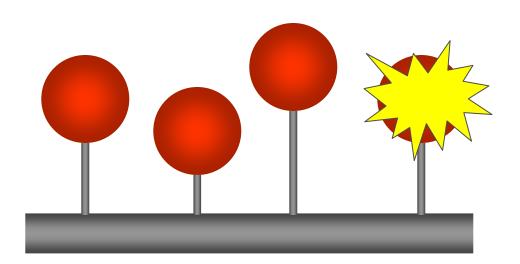




Self-healing software architecture

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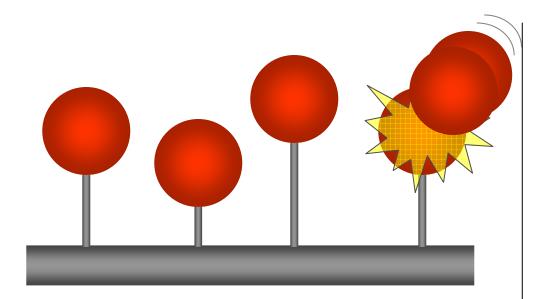




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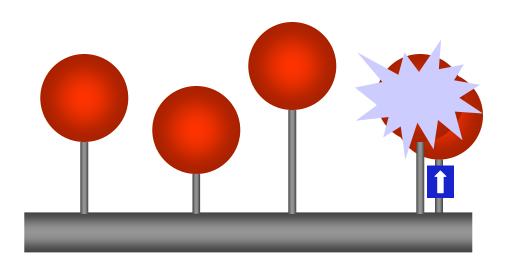




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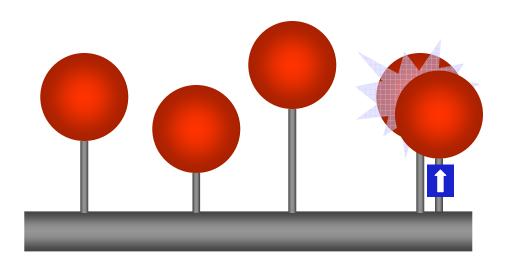


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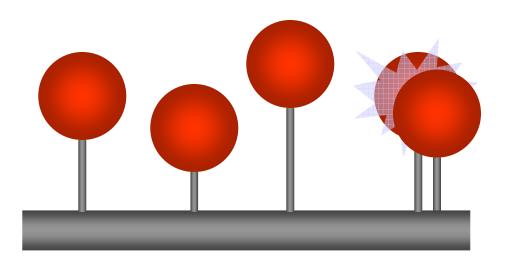




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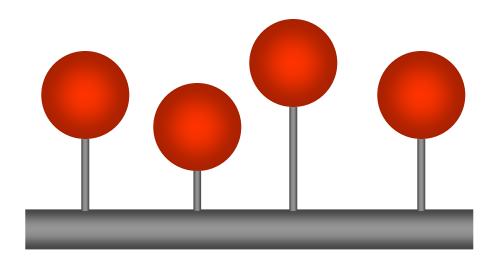


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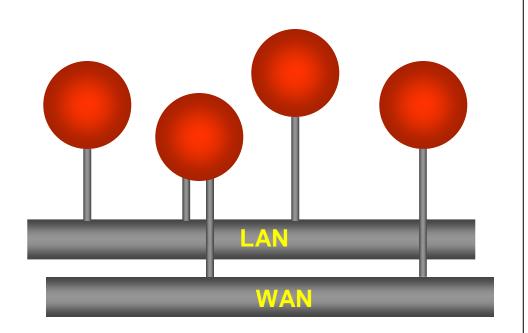






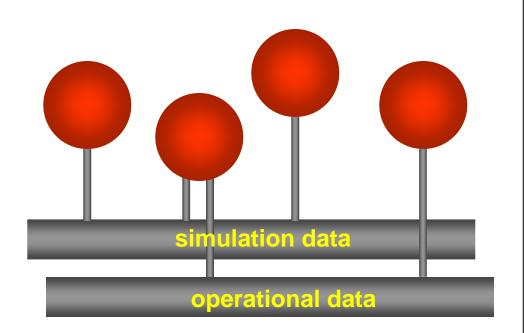
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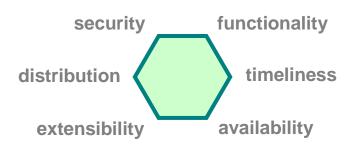
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Summary: The Problem



- Problem: engineering (-cost) of distributed systems
 - too complex
 - not reactive
 - not future-proof
 - not fault tolerant



- Because 'multi-dimensional engineering' is needed:
- What about the current 'state-of-the-art'?
 - architectures: client/server, message-passing, DBMS
 - most efforts fall short in a number of dimensions:
 - typically:
 - limited RT performance

(high-volume & low-latency balance)

exploding complexity

(dependencies in many dimensions)

costly evolution

(impact of changes & extensions)



Summary: An Information-Centric Approach



Towards a solution:

- make development effort more simple
- develop less
- develop solutions only once

Now:

minimize component dependencies ('simple')

maximize component autonomy ('re-use')

normalize component interactions ('only once')

The clue:

- share the stable properties, localize the unstable ones
- information is what matters most, not how it is processed
- properly modeled data is **stable**, processing often is not
- so focus on data first and then on the processing of it



Data-centric architecture:

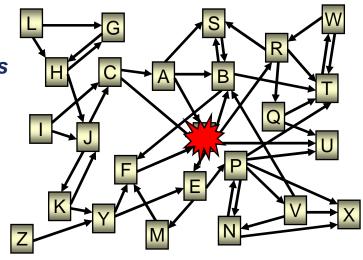
- autonomous components with minimal dependencies
- separation of function and interaction
- architecture that focuses on data

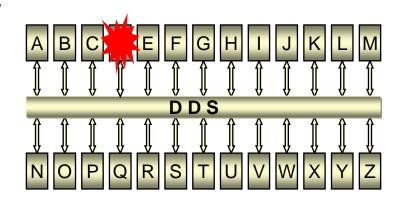
DDS realization:

- middleware that offers a normalized environment
- designed once, *guarantees* system properties
- delivers 'the right data at the right place at the right time'

What about the processing?

- standard operating platform (HW, OS)
- standard communication facilities
- standard programming languages
- **standard** development tools







SUMMARY: Requirements & Realization

Requirement:

Realized by:

- System design
 - provide a stable basis to operate upon by applications
 - enhance component autonomy
 - allow transparent and global QoS assurance

- shared Information Model
- state-based information-centric system
- Information classification (QoS topic-defaults)

- System development
 - reduce complexity and enhance re-usability
 - provide shared/guaranteed properties
 - small learning effort and flat learning curve

- minimized component dependencies
- standardized (DDS-) interaction-environment
- intuitive concept, simple/powerful features

- System integration
 - support effortless component integration
 - provide easy monitor & control
 - shift ratio between design and integration effort

- maximized component autonomy
- globally accessible information (data+metadata)
- focus on info-model & decoupled applications

- **System deployment**
 - guaranty QoS for reliability, latency and persistency
 - allow runtime migration of applications
 - allow applications to join the system at any time

- realtime "DDS" information backbone
- global & FT availability of transient state data
- dynamic discovery and data persistence

- **System maintenance & evolution**
 - allow runtime replacement and evolutionary upgrading
 - support for logging & replay of information
 - provide future-proof, re-usable, robust and scalable system highly adaptive associative data-model
- de-coupled & autonomous components
- global availability of all (time-stamped) data

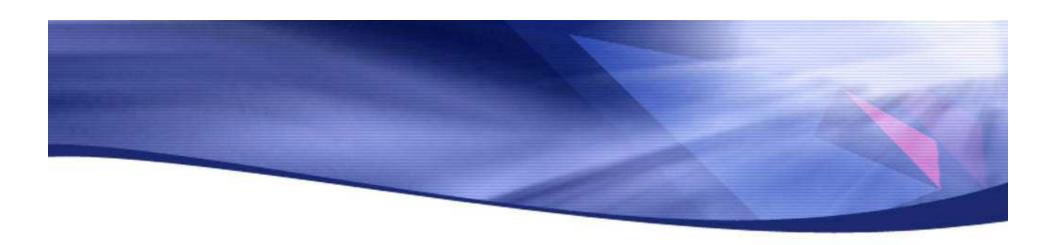






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Combat Systems Example...

... A requirements-driving domain



DDS usage in Naval Combat Systems

CHARACTERISTICS

Many different customers:

Many different ships/missions:

Large-scale & mission-critical:

Real-time and Fault-tolerant:

>15 Navies world-wide use DDS pub/sub

> 22 Ships classes (from FPB's up to Destroyers)

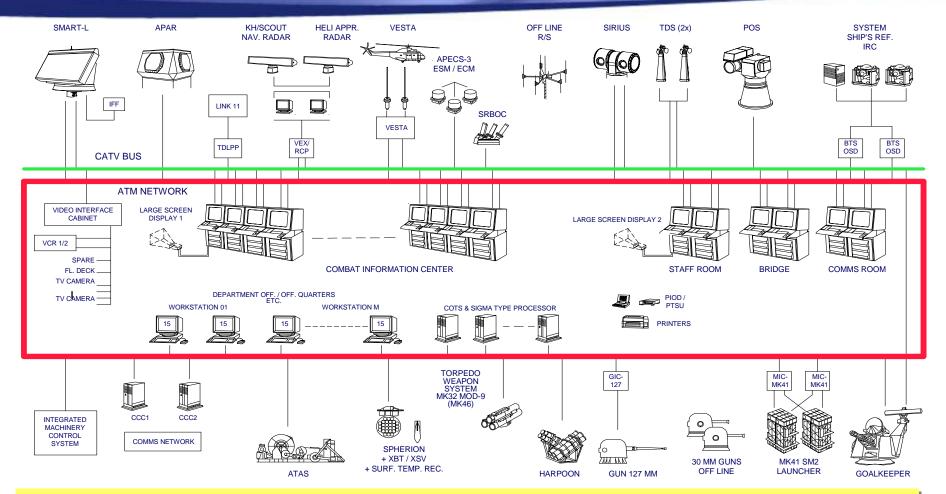
>150 CPU's, >2200 applications, >4.000 tracks/sec

Battle-damage resistant, deterministic, reliable





Example: Frigate-size environment

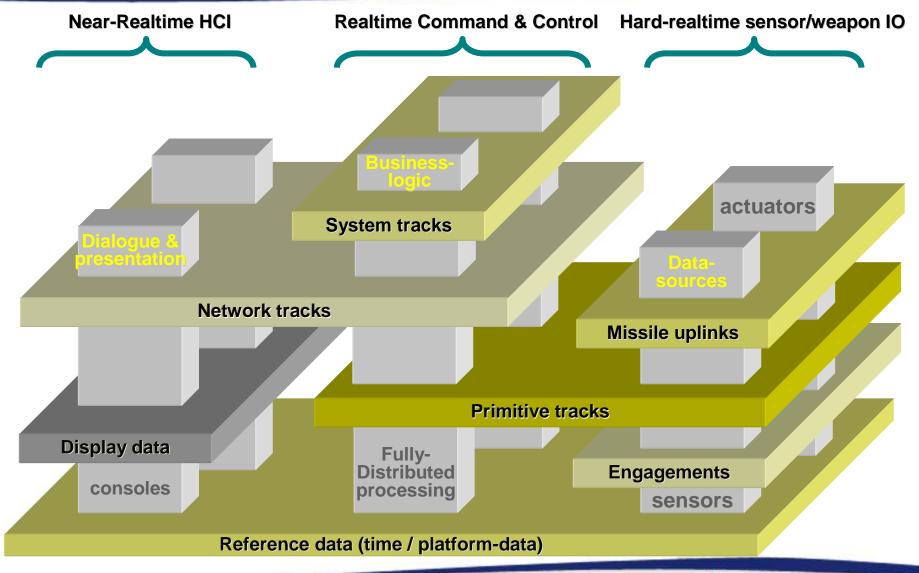


Data-traffic: >4.000 publications per second over the system-data bus

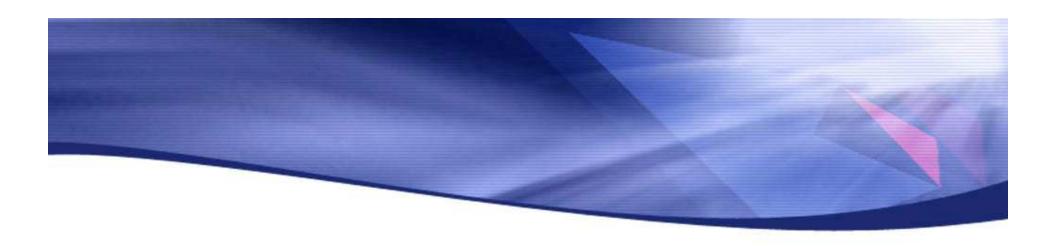
Programs: 2.200 programs allocated over 150 processors

Data flows: urgent & non-urgent data (latency), important & less-important data (priority)











the OMG DDS Specificiation





The DDS Specification

- Data Distribution Service for Real-Time Systems
 - Adopted in June 2003, Finalized in April 2004
 - Joint submission www.omg.org/technology/documents/formal/data_distribution.htm
 - Specifies the API required for a Data-Centric Publish-Subscribe communication environment for real-time distributed systems

Dr. Richard Soley, OMG Chairman and CEO:

"The DCPS publish/subscribe model stands as a natural complement to the object-centric client-server model provided by CORBA."

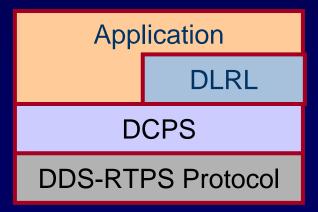
"The finalization and availability of the DDS specification really is a tremendous achievement that addresses a significant need in both government and civilian sectors."

-- in Consumer Electronics, September 13, 2004



DDS Structure

- DCPS: Data Centric Publish/Subscribe
 - Purpose: QoS-Driven Distributed Data Management
- DLRL: Data Local Reconstruction Layer (optional)
 - Purpose: An OO Model to access data as local objects
- Related Specification: DDS-RTPS
 - Purpose: provide (network-)interoperability between multiple DDS vendors





DDS Features

DLRL Object-Model

Persistence

Content-Subscription

Ownership

Minimum-Profile Object Oriented information view

- Local object model extending the distributed DCPS data model
- Manages relationships and supports native language constructs

Distributed QoS-driven information management

- Fault tolerance and global persistence of selected data
- Guaranteed data availability supports application fault-tolerance
- Content-aware filtering and dynamic queries:
 - reduces application complexity
 - improves system performance

Real-time publish/subscribe messaging:

- Asynchronous 'one-to-many' real-time data communication
- Dynamic data flow based on 'current interest' (pub/sub)
- Platform independent data model (IDL)
- Strongly typed interfaces for multiple languages
- Information Ownership management for replicated publishers

DCPS

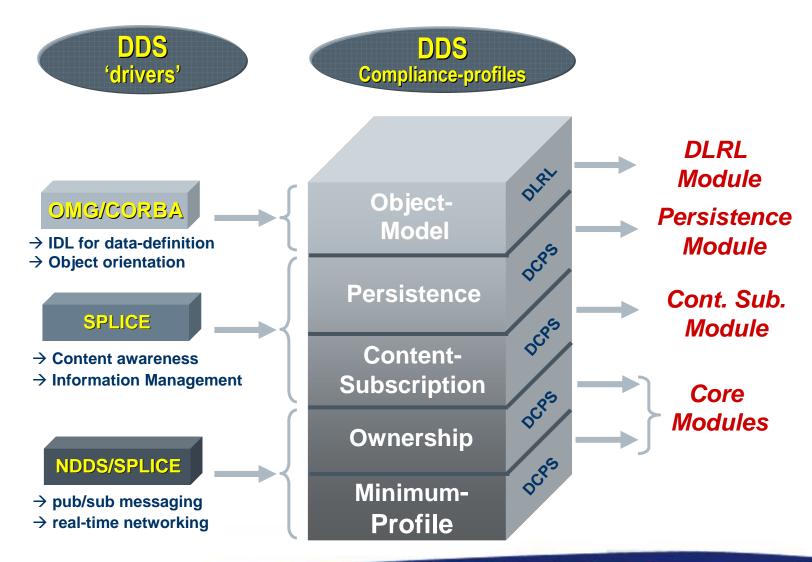
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DCPS

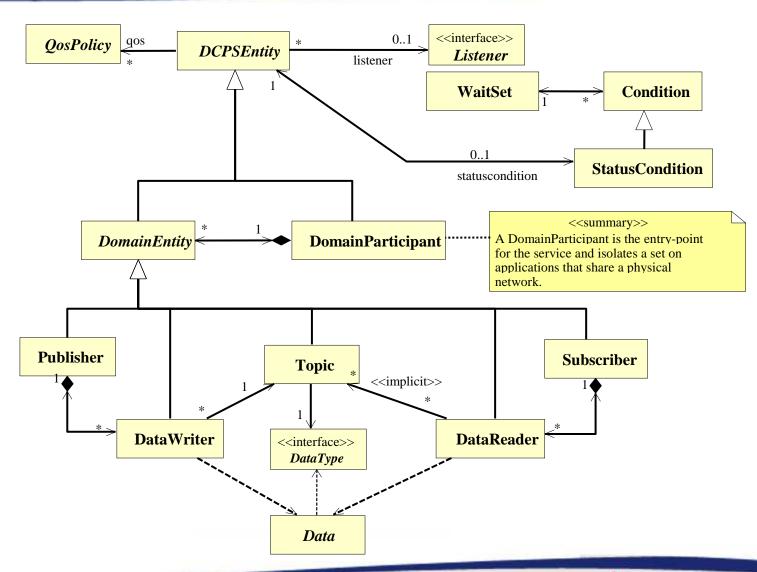
Contributions to the OMG-DDS specification







Overall DCPS Model

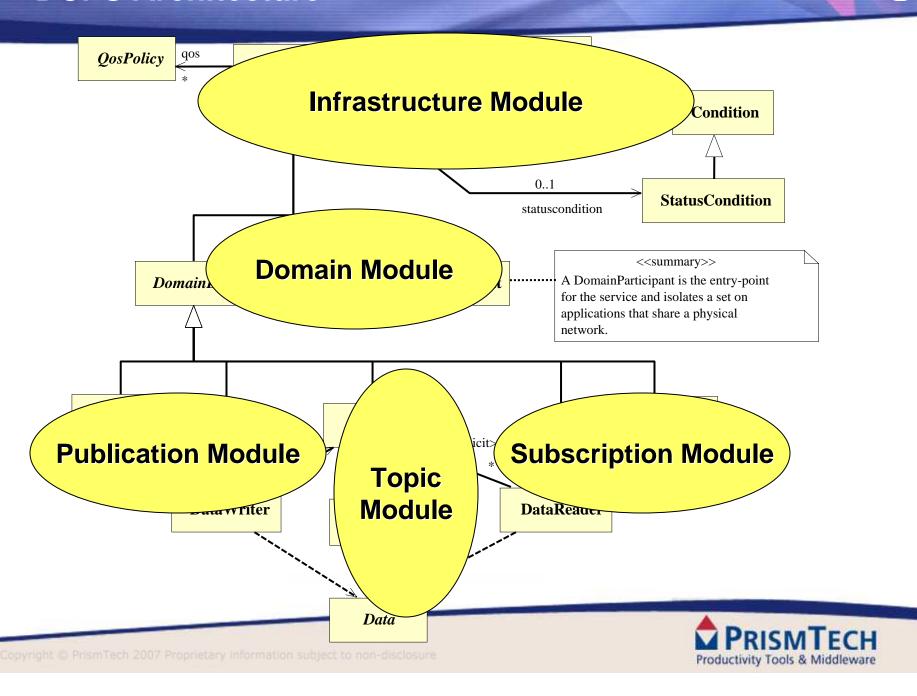




DCPS Entity	Description
Publisher	Responsible for data distribution taking into account the applicable QoS-policies
DataWriter	Holds the data and enables modifications
Subscriber	Responsible for receiving data taking into account the applicable QoS policies
DataReader	Holds the data and provides access to the data
Topic	Associates a name with a data type
Content filtered topic	Expresses interest in content-filtered data
MultiTopic	Expresses interest in aggregated (& filtered) data

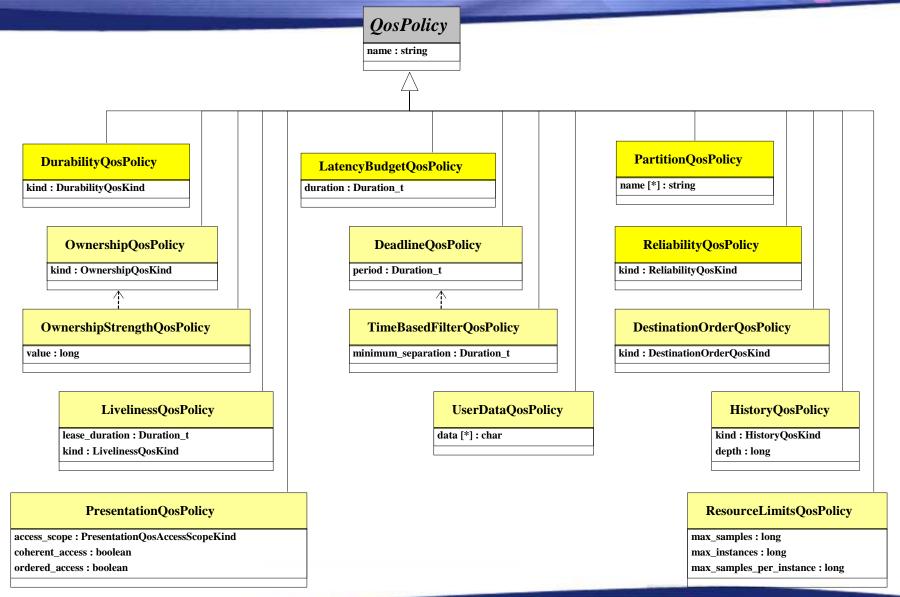


DCPS Architecture

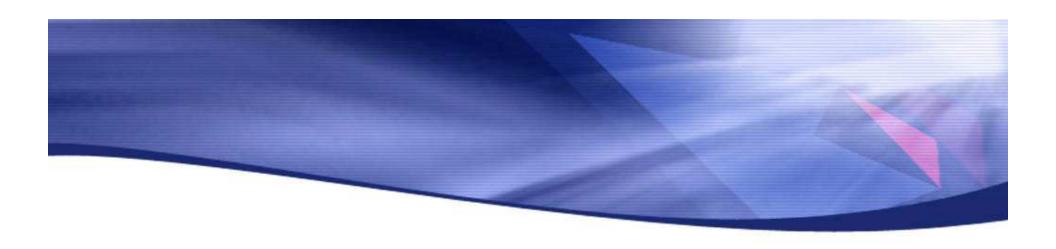


QoS Policies











DDS by Example



DDS™ by Example: "building a mini CMS, ..."



SENSOR PROCESS

- Optical sensor
- Scans the environment
- Produces 'Tracks'
- Position of 'objects'
- Reports 'pointTrack'



CLASSIFICATION PROCESS

- Classifies tracks
- Determines their identity
- Analyses the trajectories
- Determines hostility
- Reports 'trackState'



DISPLAY PROCESS

- Displays track info
- Both position & identity
- Raises alerts
- Requires 'pointTrack'
- Requires 'trackState'



TrackState

identity

- ▶ Information modeled as "TOPICS"
- ▶ Each **TOPIC** has an associated name and data type
 - Data-definition in IDL
 - 'Key' fields for unique identification
 - Relational Data Model (keys)



Topic "PointTrack"

Topic "TrackState"

PointTrack

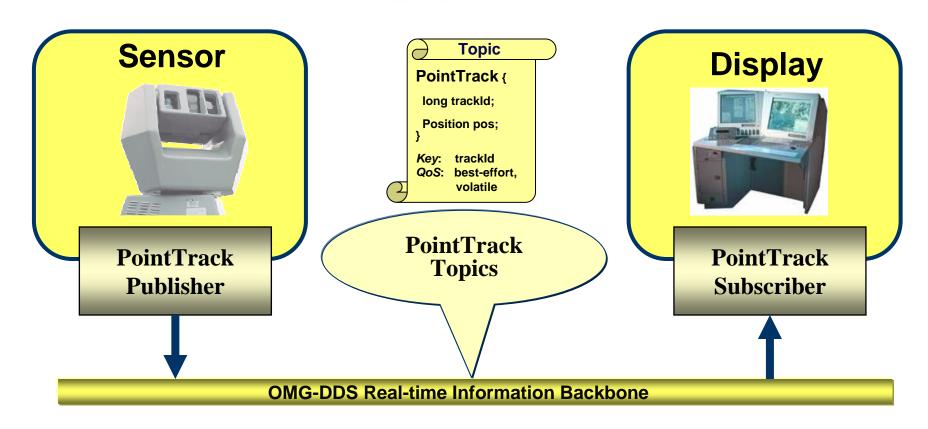
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Track

trackId



DDS™ by Example: "the Minimum Profile ..."



Characteristics

- Basic publish/subscribe data distribution
- Topics (types) specified in IDL
- QoS regarding: reliability, urgency, priority, etc.

- Autonomous & loosely coupled applications
- Pub/Sub & QoS driven communication
- Strong-typed interfaces
- Smart networking based on priority & latency budget



DDS™ by Example: "The Ownership Profile ..."

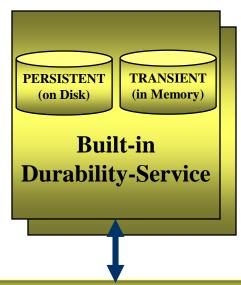


Characteristics

- Replicated publishers of data (with own 'strength)
- Only highest-strength will be received
- On failure, next highest-strength will 'take-over'

- Fault-tolerance by replication
- Notes:
 - Requires a lot of resources
 - Quality must be expressible as an 'integer'





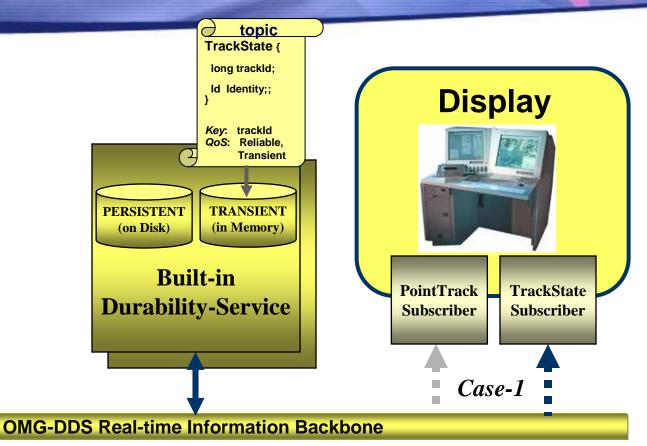
OMG-DDS Real-time Information Backbone

Characteristics

- Built-in persistence for non-volatile data
 - State preservation for transient publishers
 - Settings persistence surviving system downtime
- Replicated durability service for maximal fault-tolerance



DDS™ by Example: "The Persistence Profile ..."



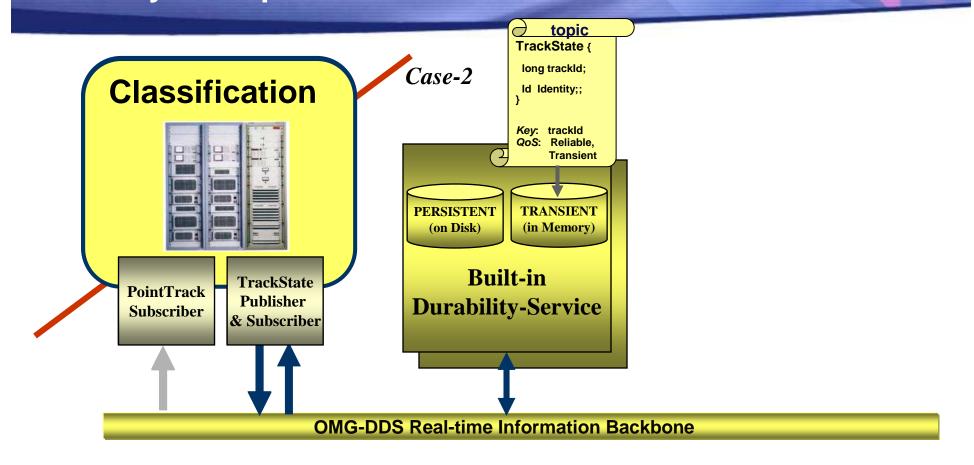
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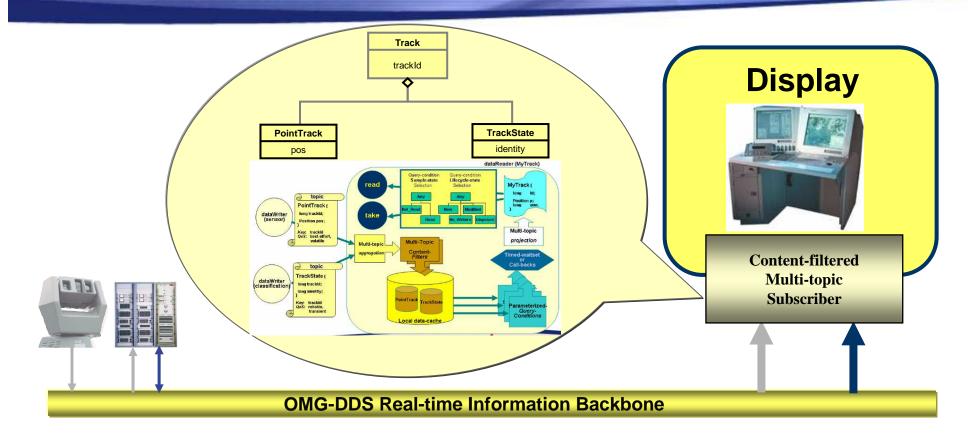
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DDSTM by Example: "The Content Subscription Profile ..."



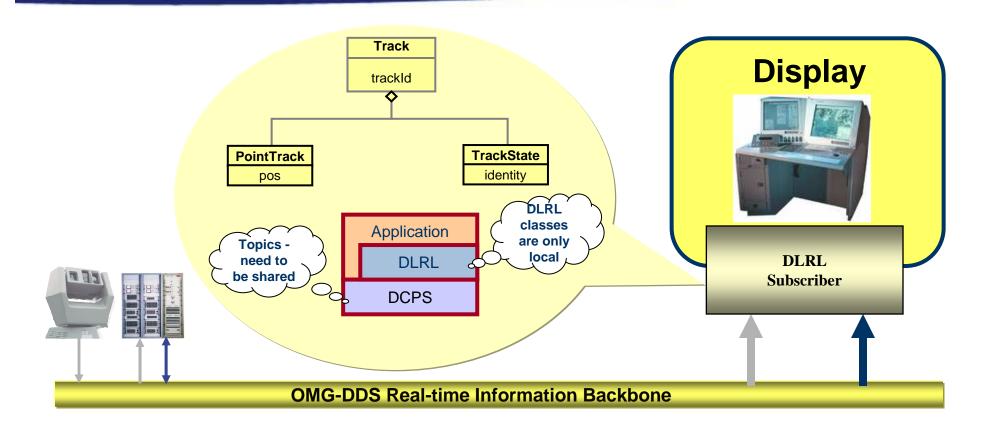
Characteristics

- Adds 'content awareness'
 - Content-filtered Topics & query-conditions
- Supports 'compound interest'
 - Multi-topics (combine/filter/re-arrange topics)

- Reduced application complexity
 - SQL-like querying and reconstitution of related data
- Improved system performance
 - Only receive/process what is of interest



DDS™ by Example: "The DLRL Profile ..."

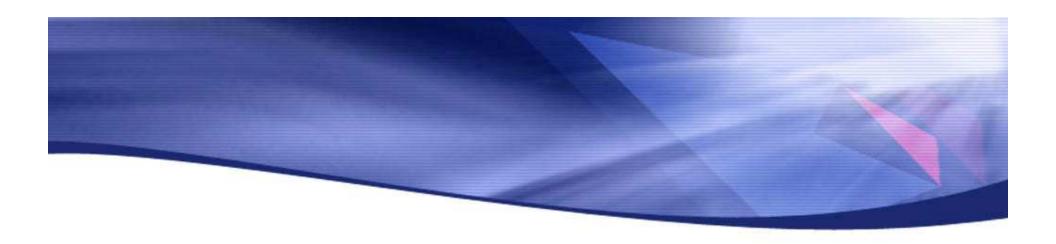


Characteristics

- Local Object Oriented Data-Access Layer
- Supports 'OO' features:
 - Inheritance, aggregation, composition
- Uses DCPS to distribute state by 'mapped topics'

- Ease of Management of (related) data
 - Object oriented 'graphs of objects' (value-types)
- Supports 'native language constructs' (I.e. navigation)
 - Automatic 'change-management' of objects







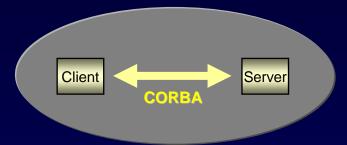
CORBA & DDS integration





CORBA & DDS

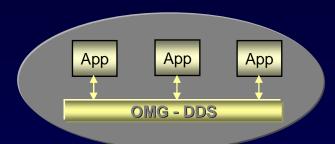
Server Behavior



CORBA

- Distributed *objects*
 - Model: Client/Server
 - Remote Method Invocation
 - Reliable Communication
- Purpose:
 - Distributed Processing
 - Synchronous Transactions

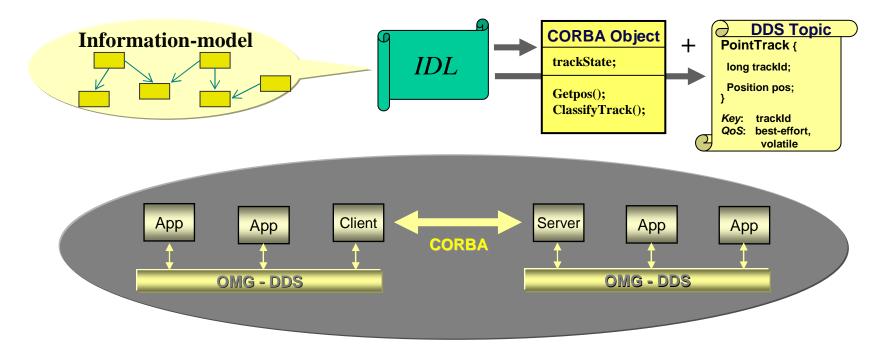
Data Availability



DDS

- Distributed data
 - Model: Publish/Subscribe
 - Distributed Information Access
 - Fine-grained QoS
- Purpose:
 - Real-time data distribution
 - Fault tolerant Info Management

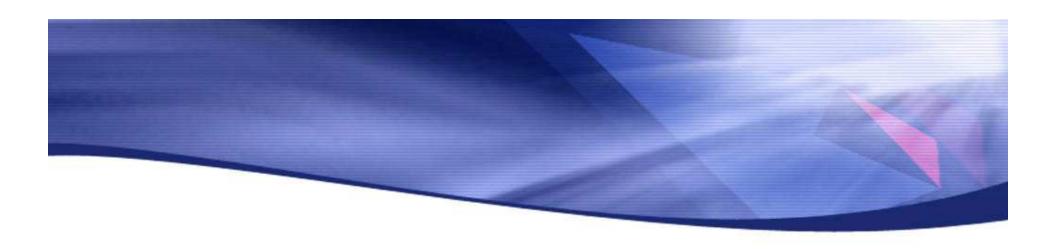
CORBA & DDS DDS: Combining Strength



Characteristics & Benefits

- Corba/DDS Common Definition language: IDL
 - Type definition for CORBA-interfaces & DDS topics
 - Code generation : Type-generation as well as generated (typed-)interfaces
- Potential seamless Runtime Cooperation
 - Shared types allow direct passing-on of RPC-obtained information into DDS-topics
 - Autonomous runtime-systems (ORB and DDS libraries)





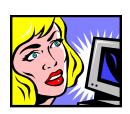


CHATROOM EXAMPLE



Exercise – Traditional Chat architecture





Chat-Client 1



Chat-Client 2





Chat-Client 3



Chat-Client 4



Exercise – DDS based Chat architecture







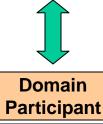
Chatter 1





Chatter 3

DDS-Chat Domain





Chatter 2



Domain Participant



Chatter 4



Chatroom example: Sequence of events



Typical sequence of events on a **traditional** Chat-application:

- Connect to the Chat-Server.
- **Transmit** your identity.
- Download the identities of the other chatters.
- Receive chat messages from other users.
 - These messages are forwarded to you by the server.
- Write your own chat-messages.
 - > These messages are **forwarded** by the server to all the other users.

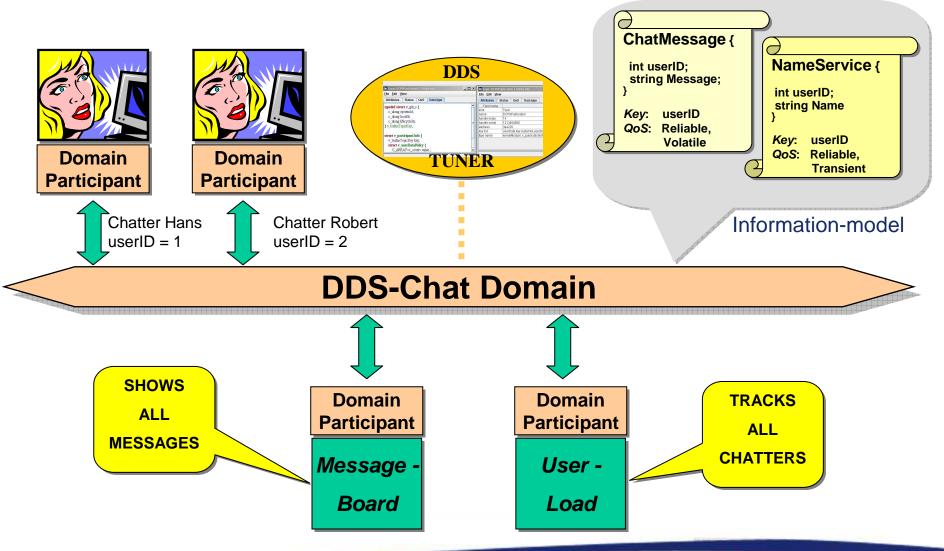
Typical sequence of events on a **DDS-based** Chat-application:

- Participate in the Chat-domain.
- **Publish** your identity.
- Subscribe yourself to the identities of all other chatters
- Subscribe yourself to all chatmessages in the Chat-domain.
 - All messages are delivered to you directly by their respective writers.
- Publish your own chat-messages.
 - Your messages are directly delivered to all the other interested users.



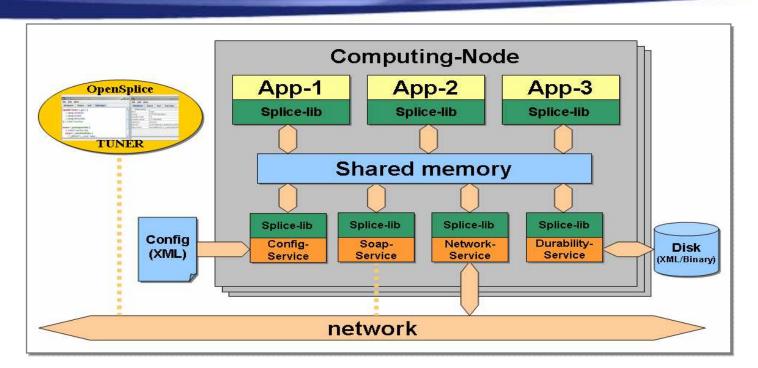
DEMO: DDS-based Chatroom







Demo DDS architecture: "OpenSplice" example



- Choices: Scalability & Efficiency
 - Single shared library for applications & services
 - Ring-fenced shared memory segment
 - Data urgency driven network-packing

(code-footprint)

(single copy regardless of nr. of applications)

(Latency_budget QOS drives packing per channel)

- Choices: Determinism & Safety
 - Pre-emptive network-scheduler (priority pre-emptive network-threads per priority-band with traffic-shaping)
 - Data importance based network-channel selection

(Transport_Priority QoS of actual data)

Partition based multicast-group selection

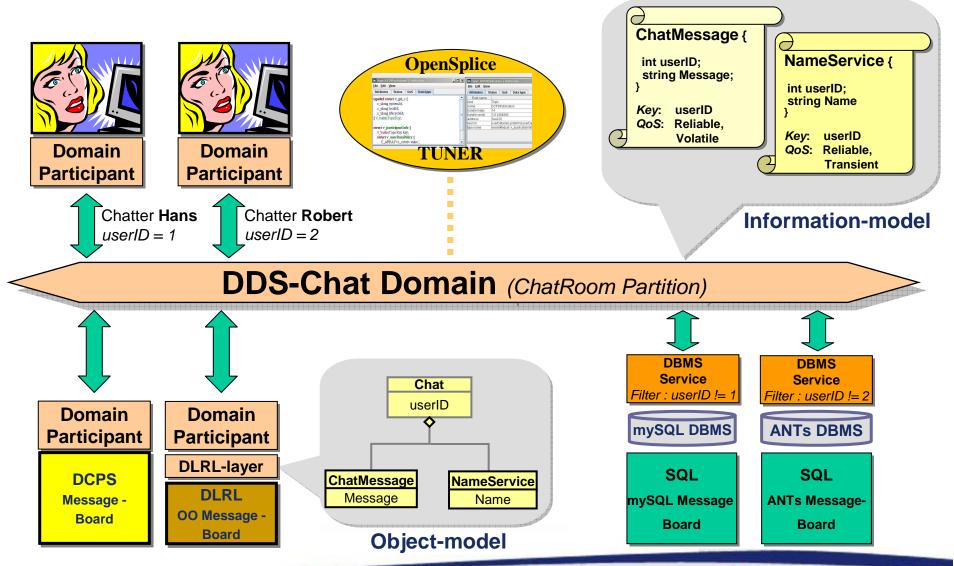
(dynamic mapping of logical DDS partitions)

Managed critical network-resource

(limited impact/damage of faulty-applications)

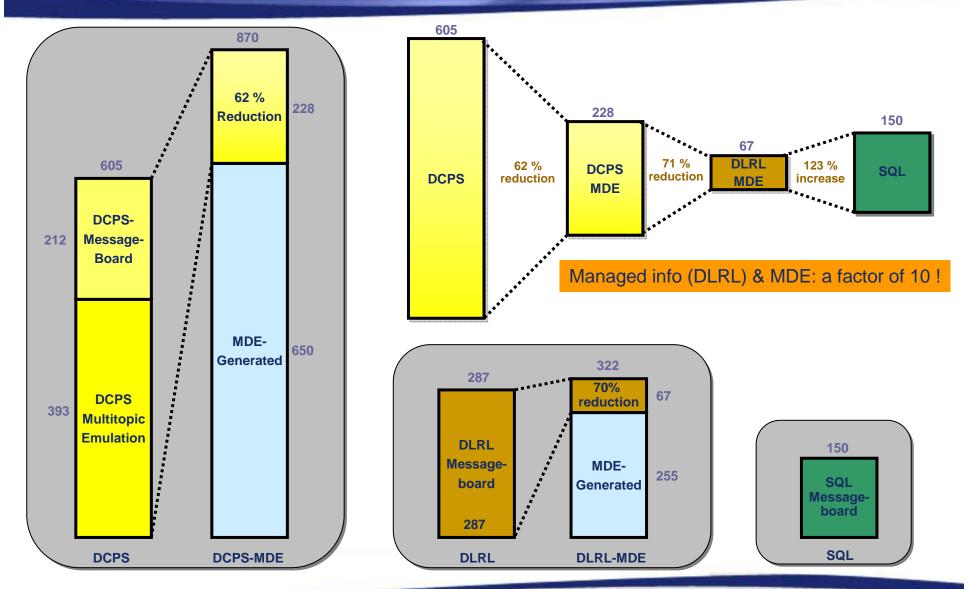


DEMO: DDS-based Chatroom: DCPS, DLRL .. and even SQL

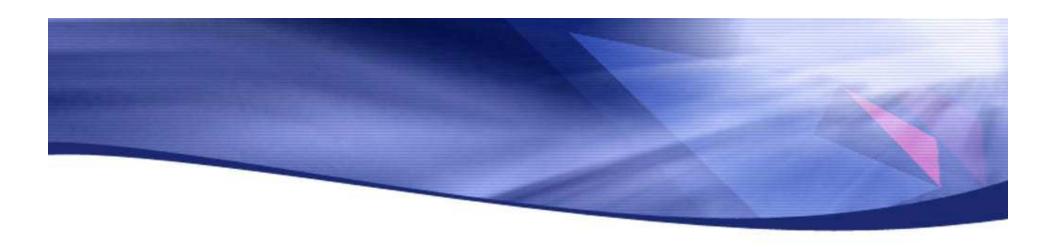


MDE and DLRL: "Messageboard example", Reducing Complexity!!





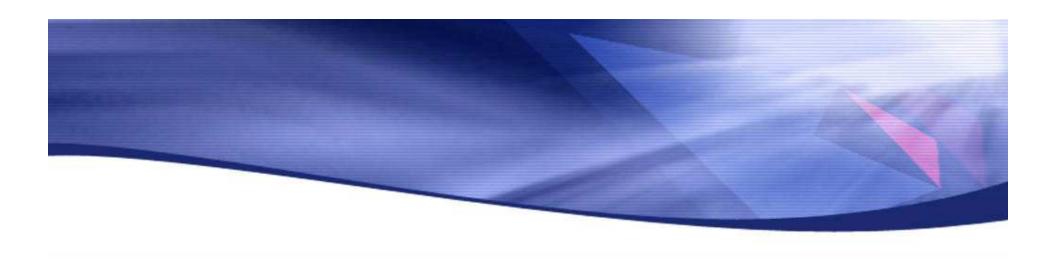






CHATROOM LIVE DEMO







Q&A

