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S34 – IBM i Architecture: Overview & Evolution

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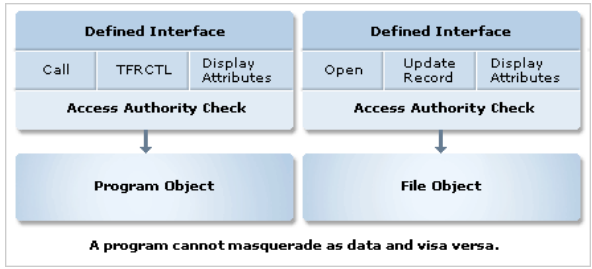
IBM i Architecture

DB2 for i & Single Level Storage

Security & Integrity - Object Based



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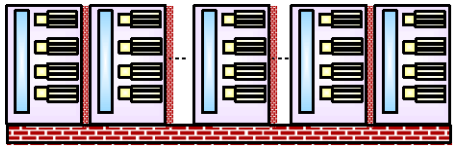

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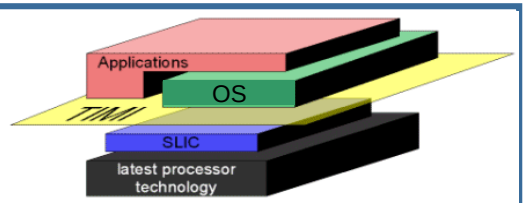

A system designed for business

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2008

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System/38 (1978)
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ARCHITECTURE

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Automate & optimize storage management

Object Based Architecture

Enables integrity, security, virus-resistance

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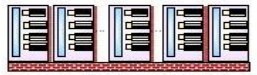
Integrates business components, e.g. DB2 database

Virtualized Work Management



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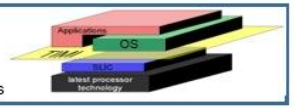

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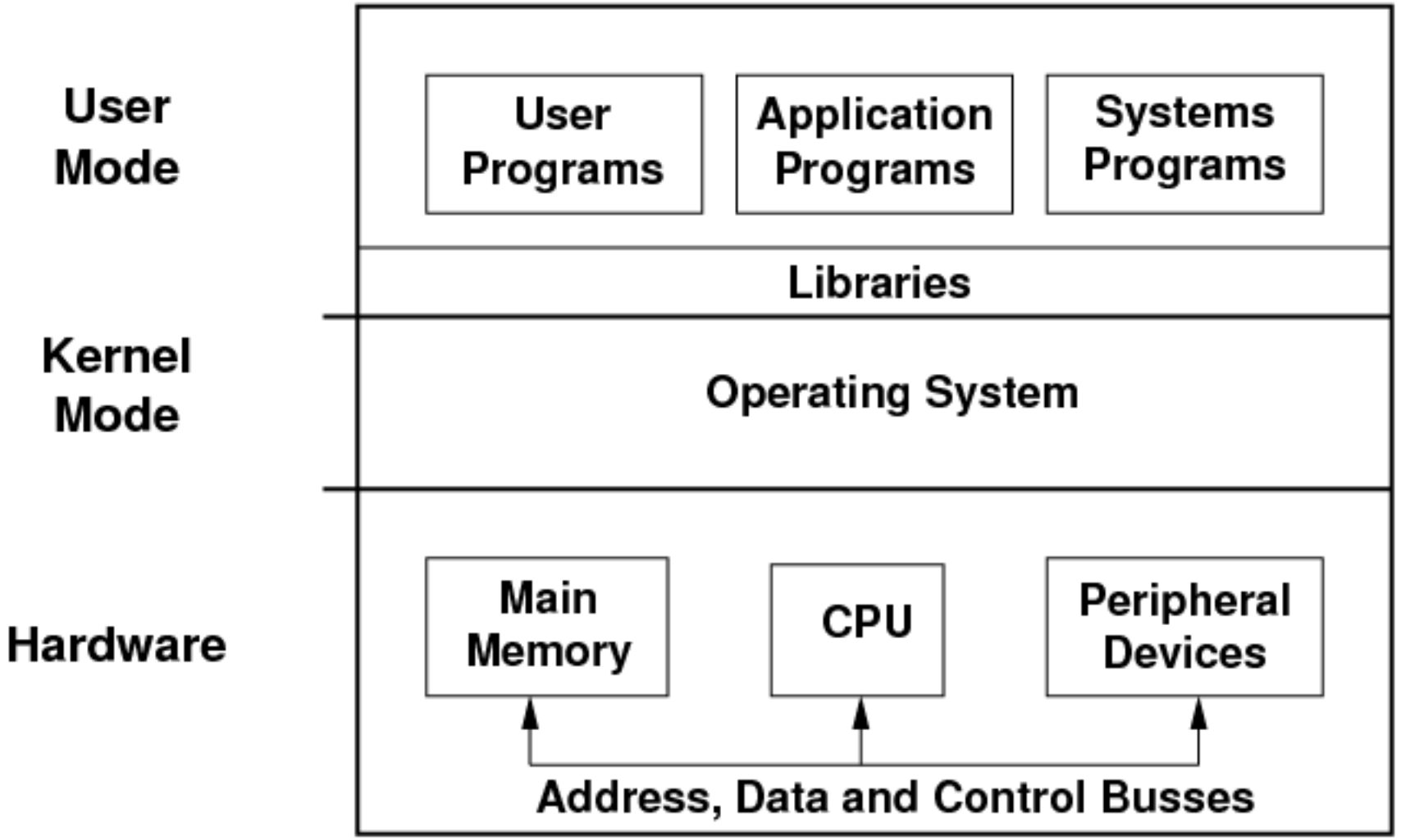
Academic View of an OS Architecture – a Kernel



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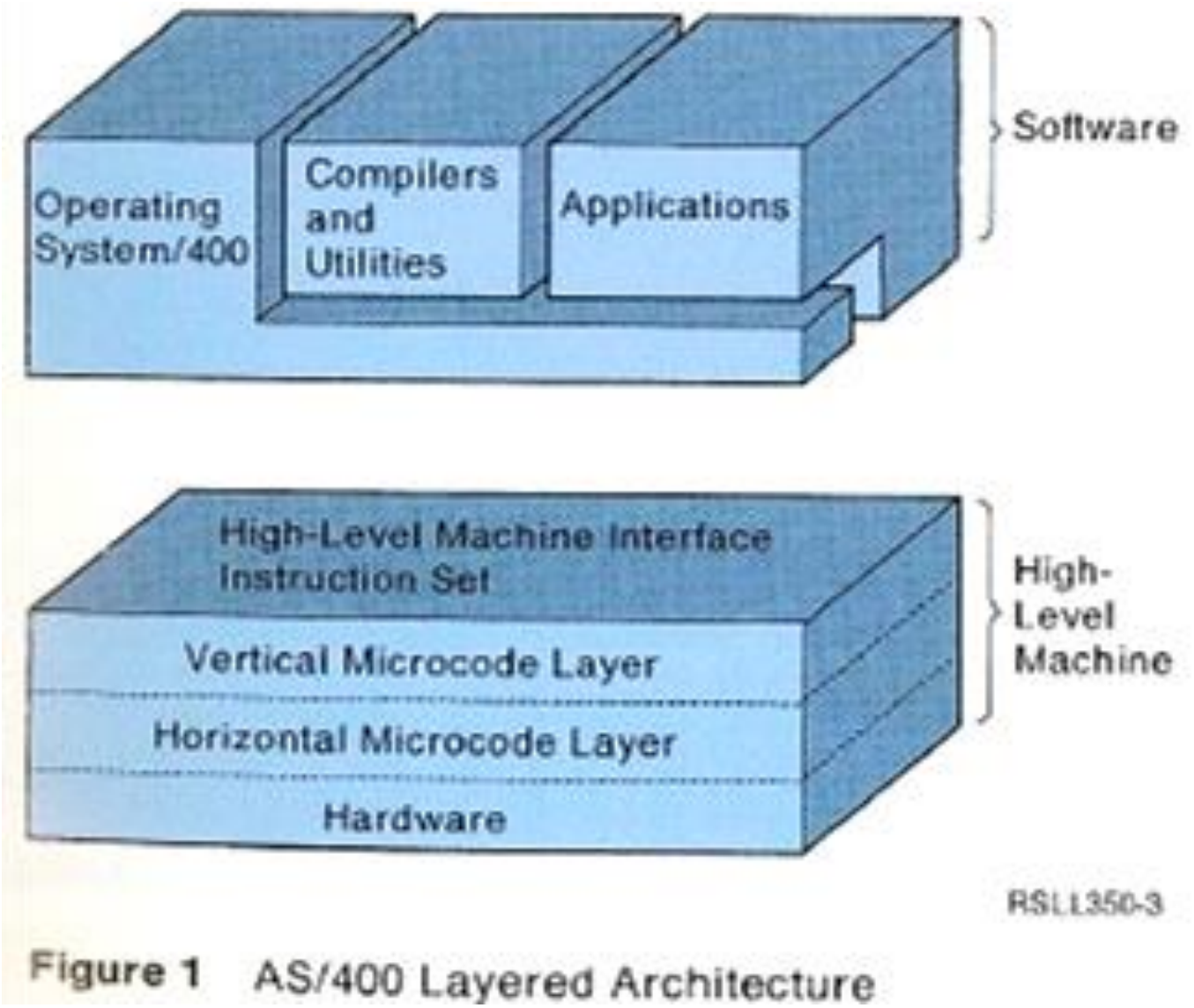

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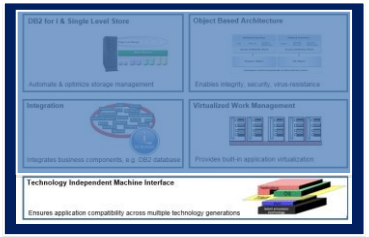

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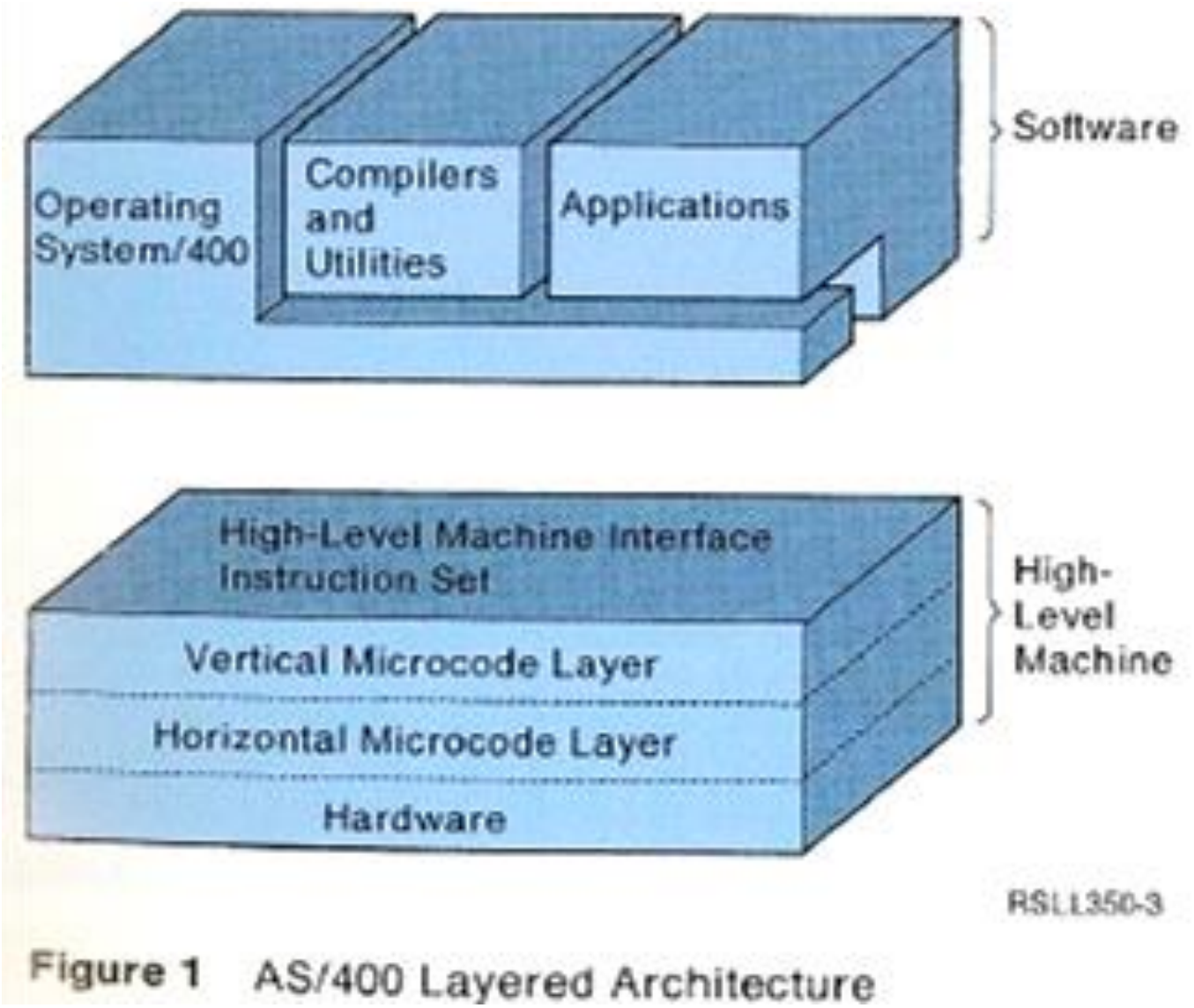

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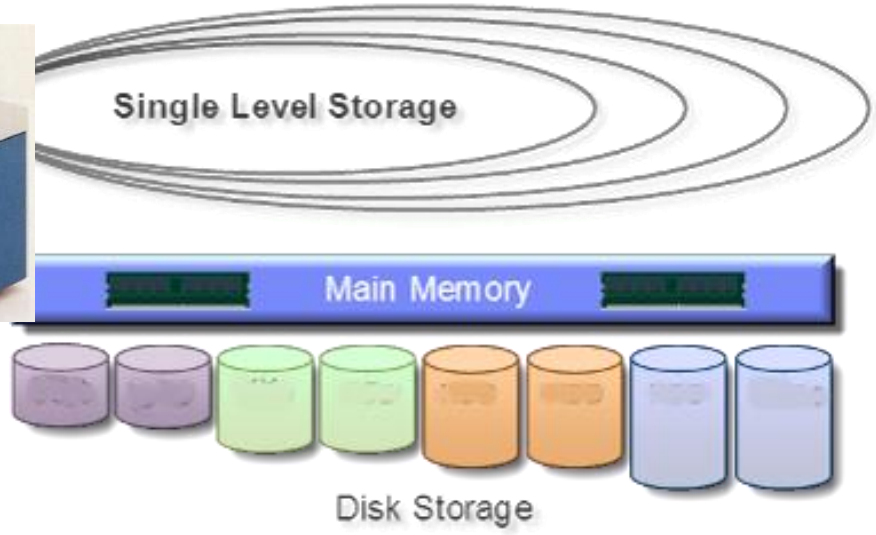

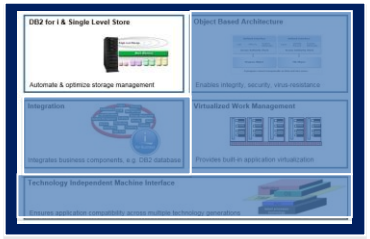

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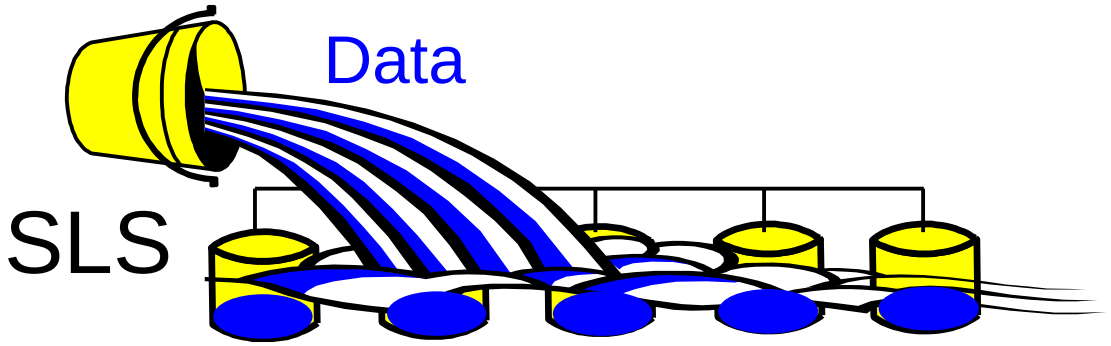

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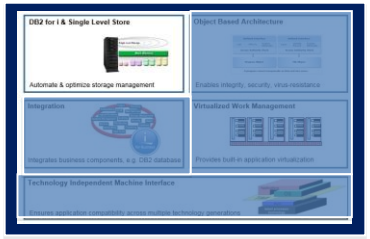

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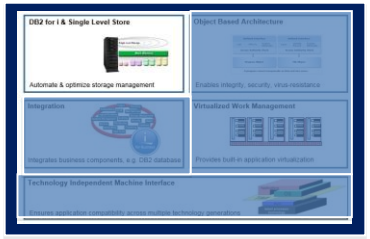

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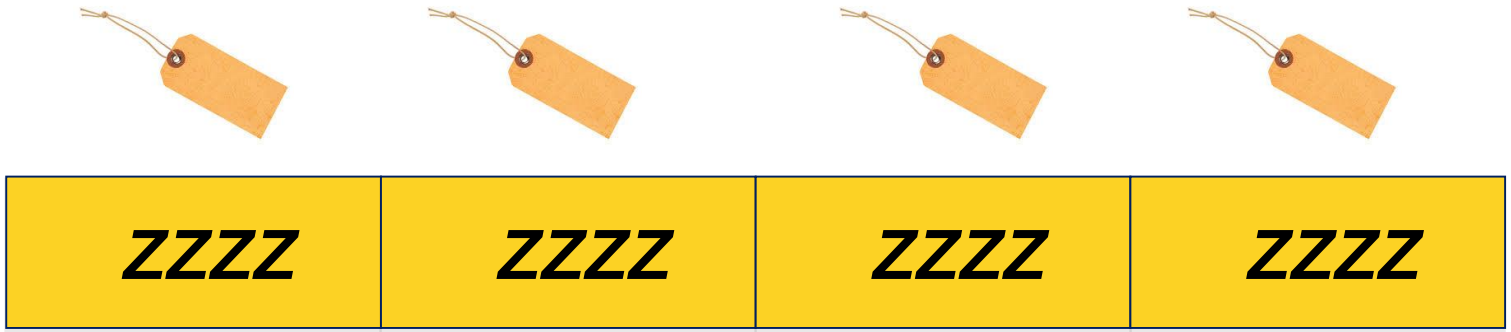

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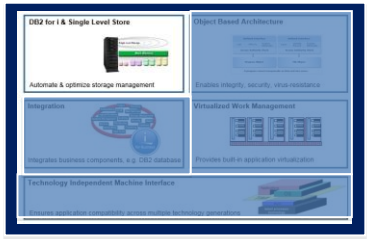

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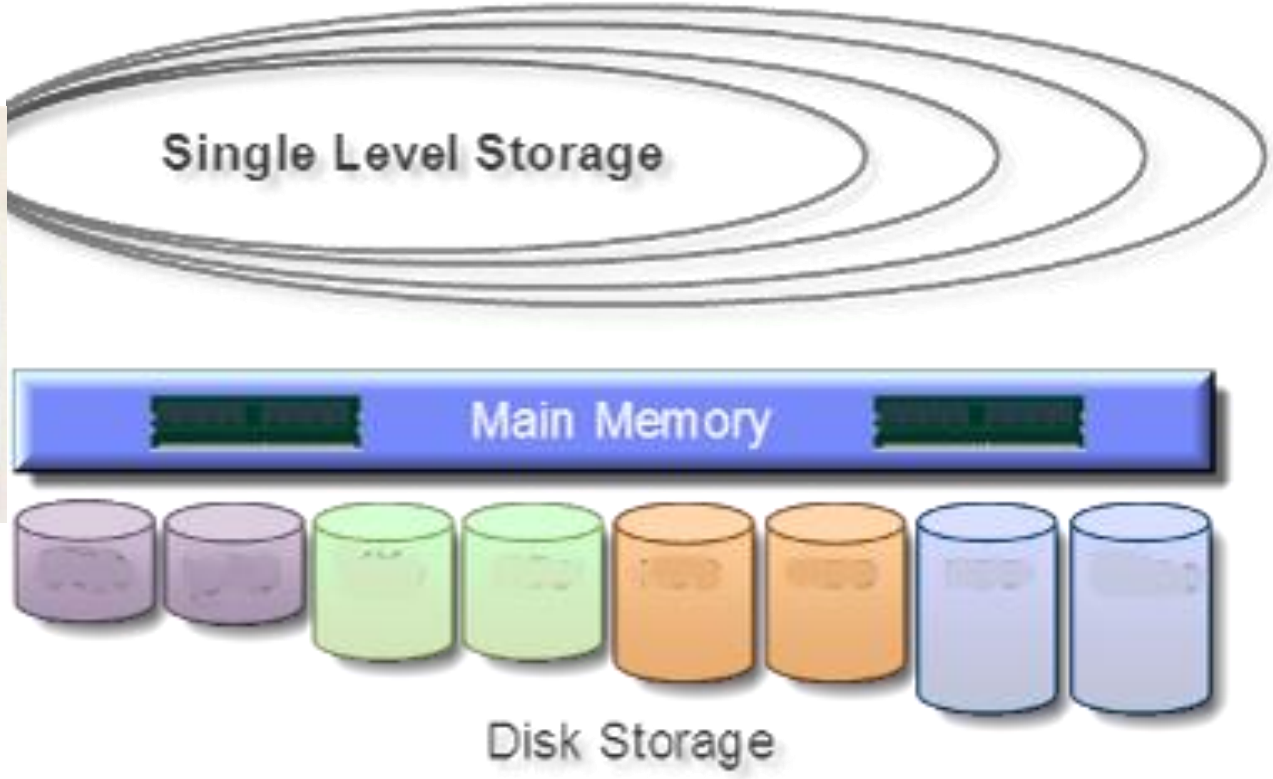

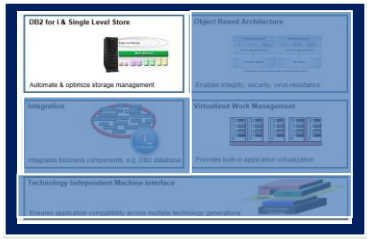

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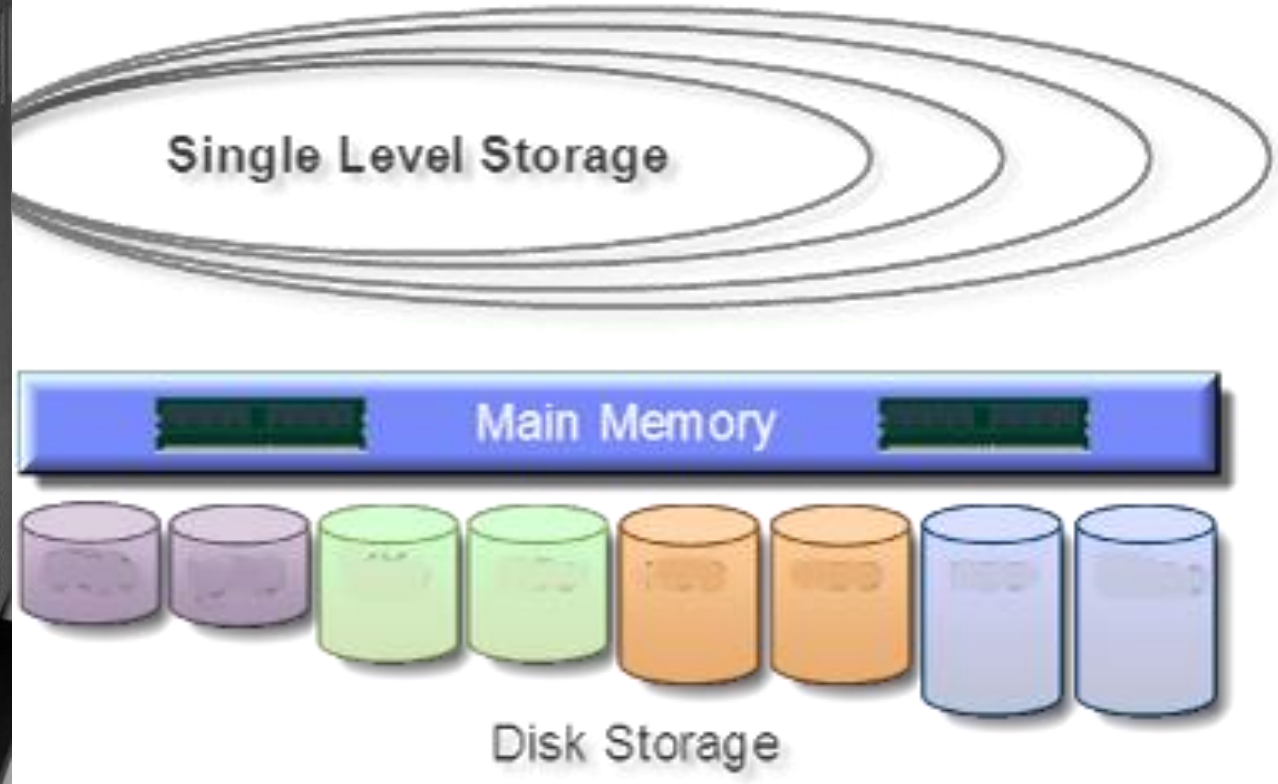

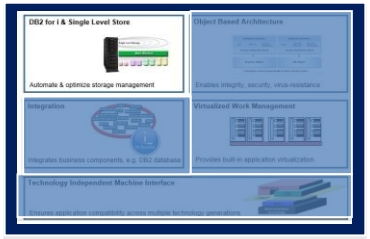

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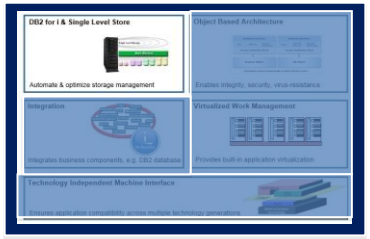

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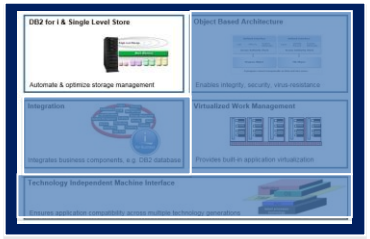

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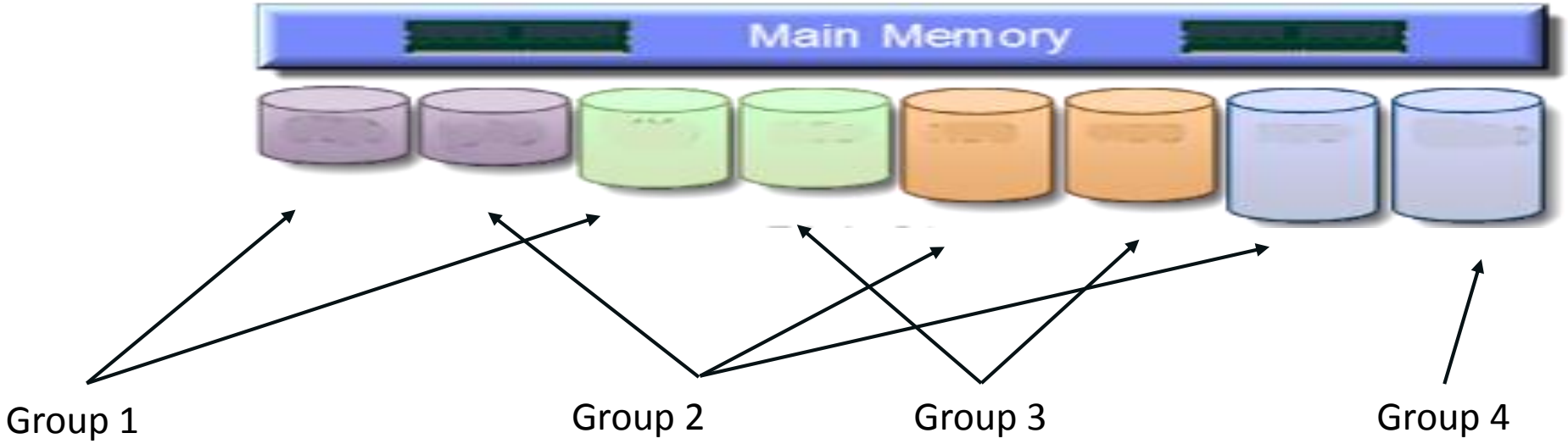

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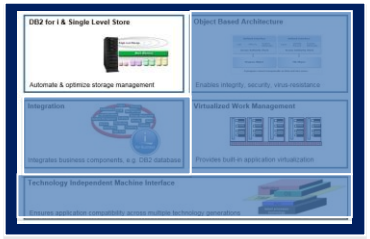

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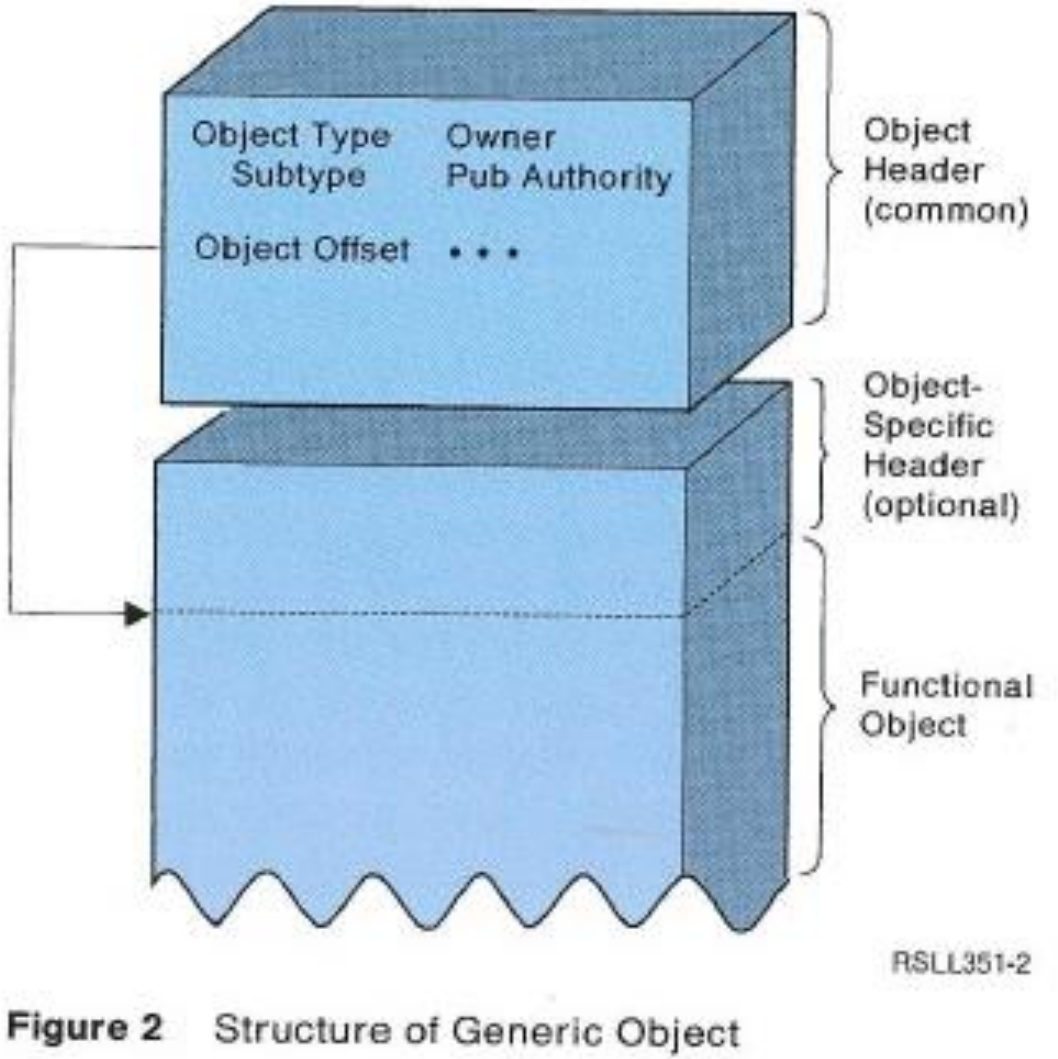
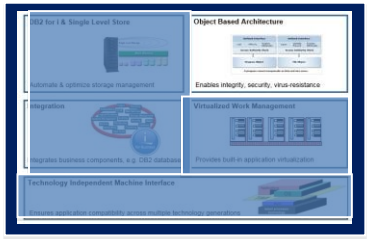


Figure 2 Structure of Generic Object

Objects protect the integrity of the system and customer data, while also allowing a strict object-based security architecture.



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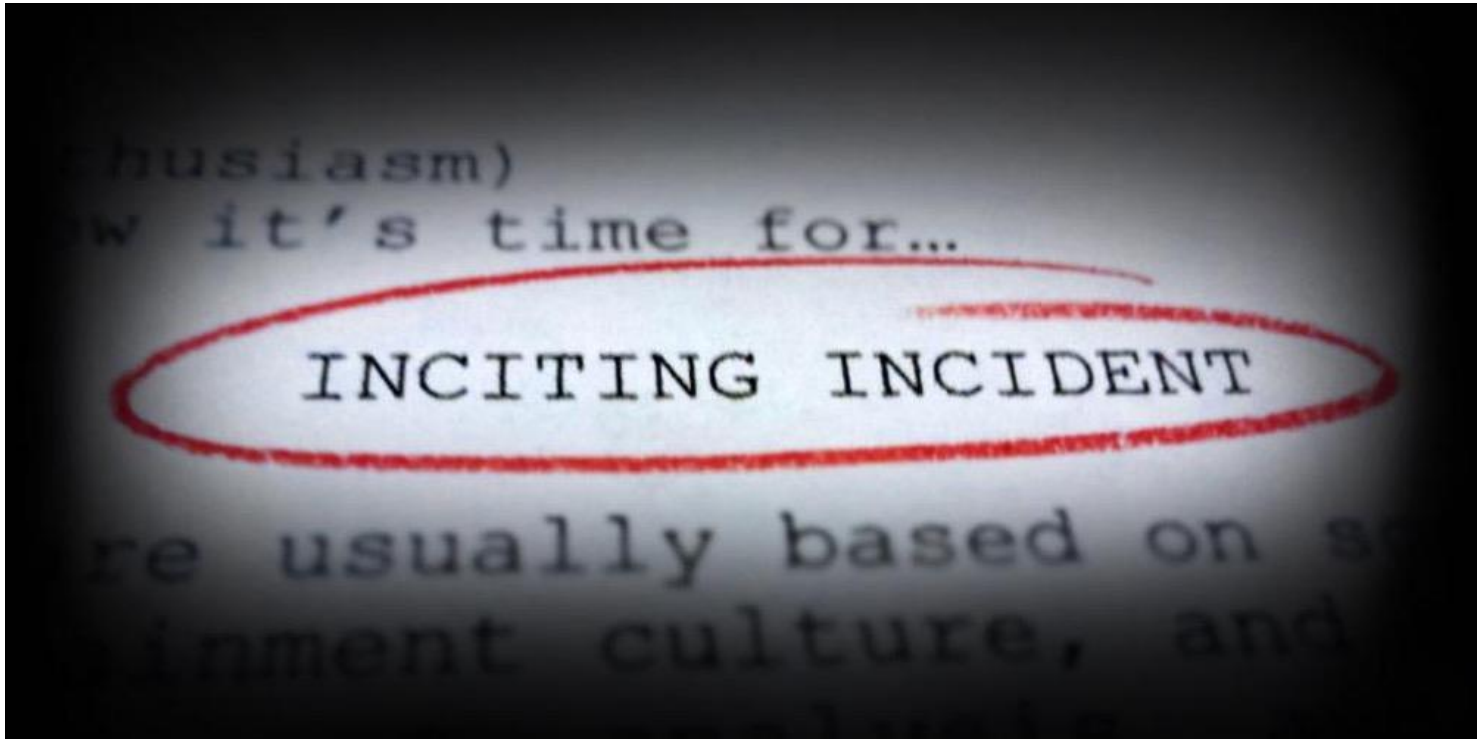

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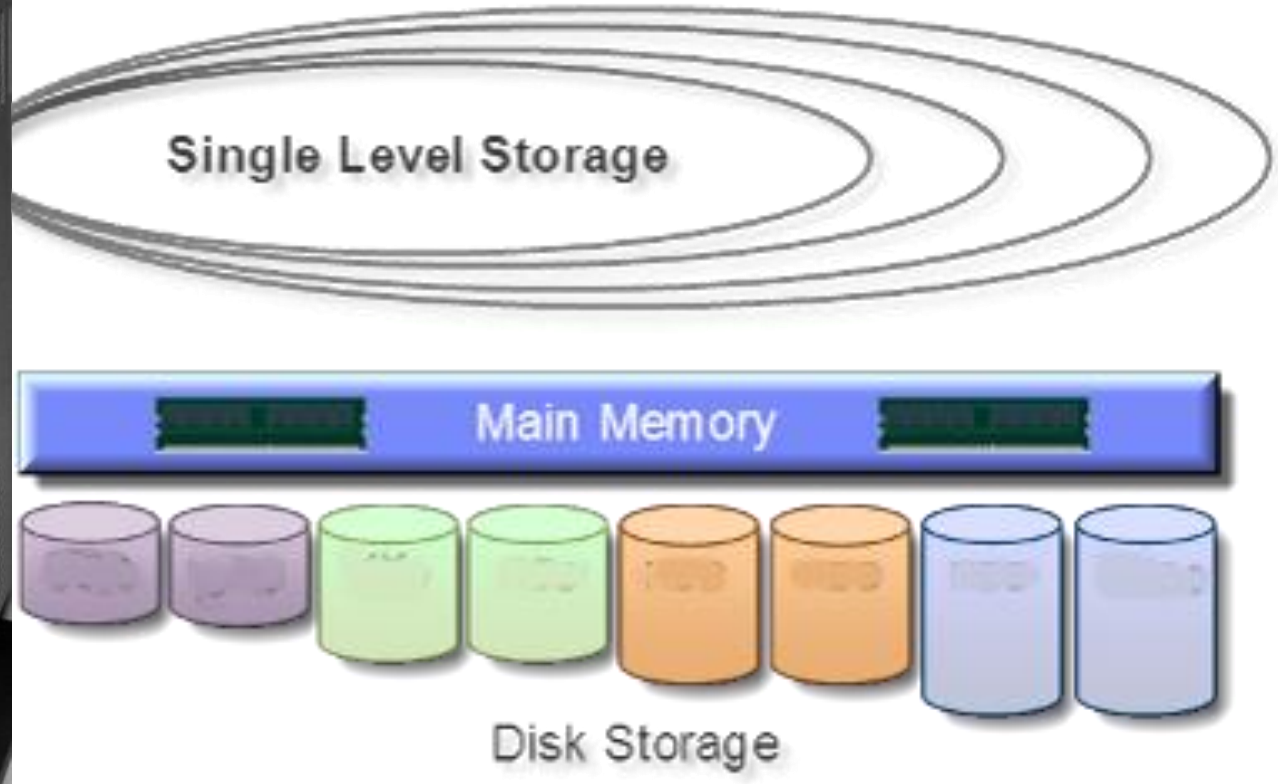

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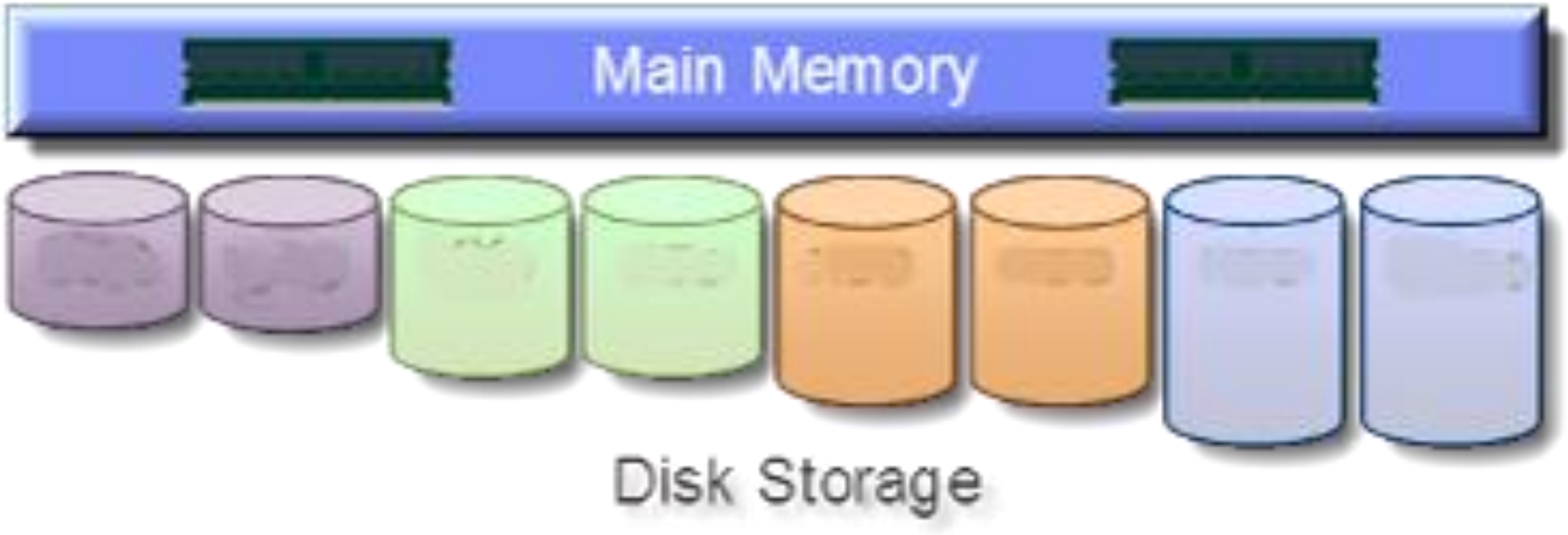

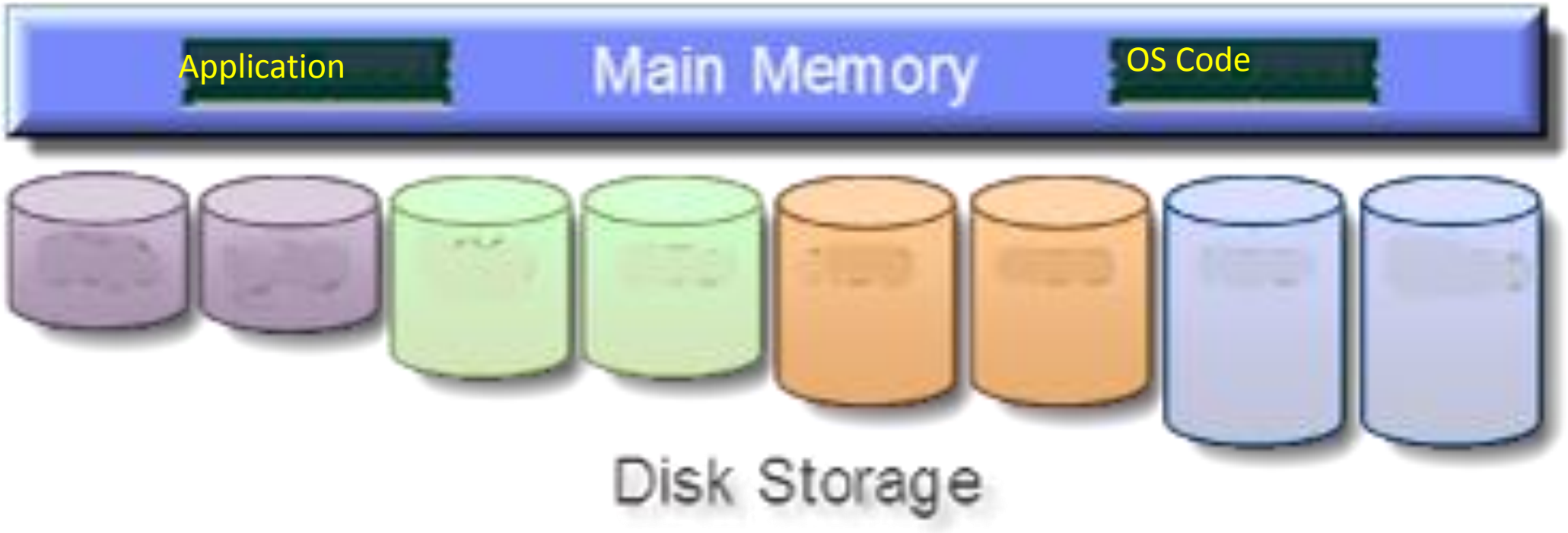

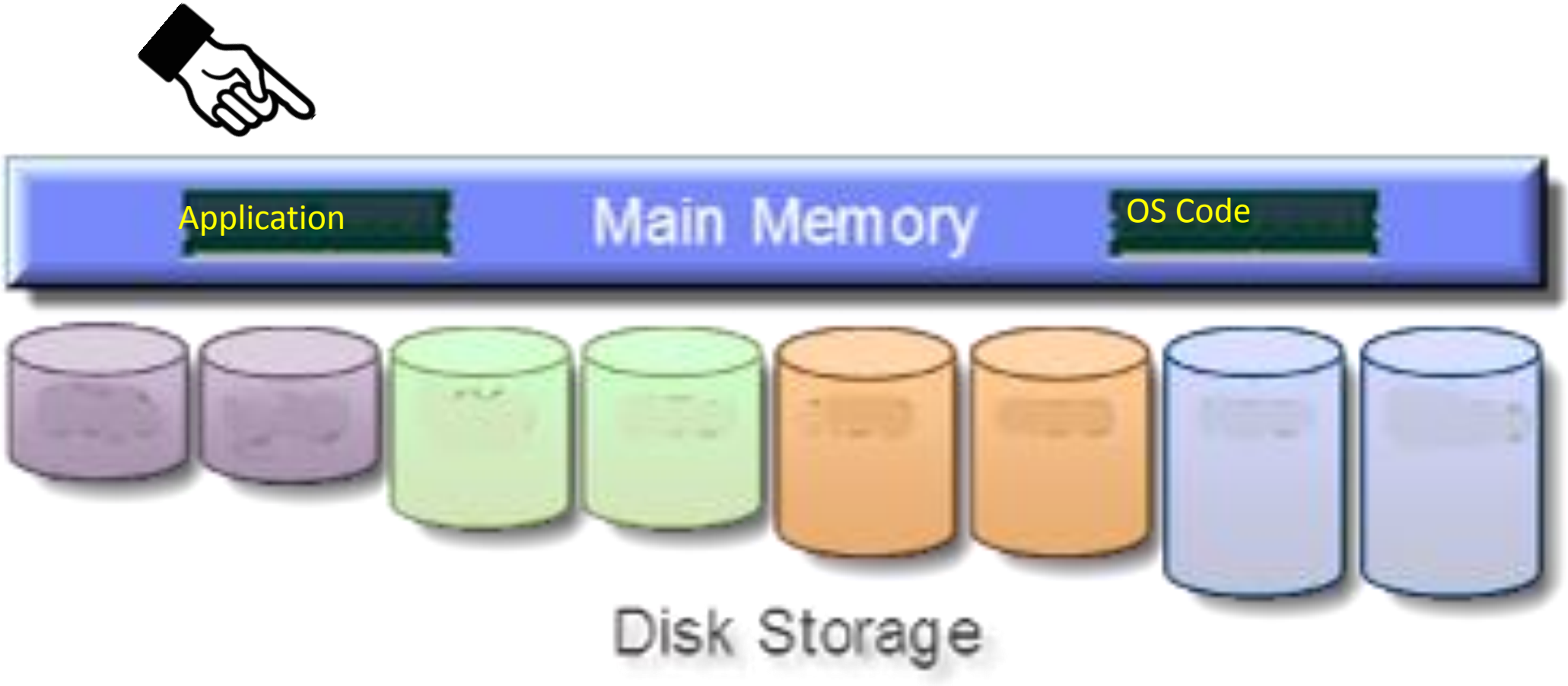

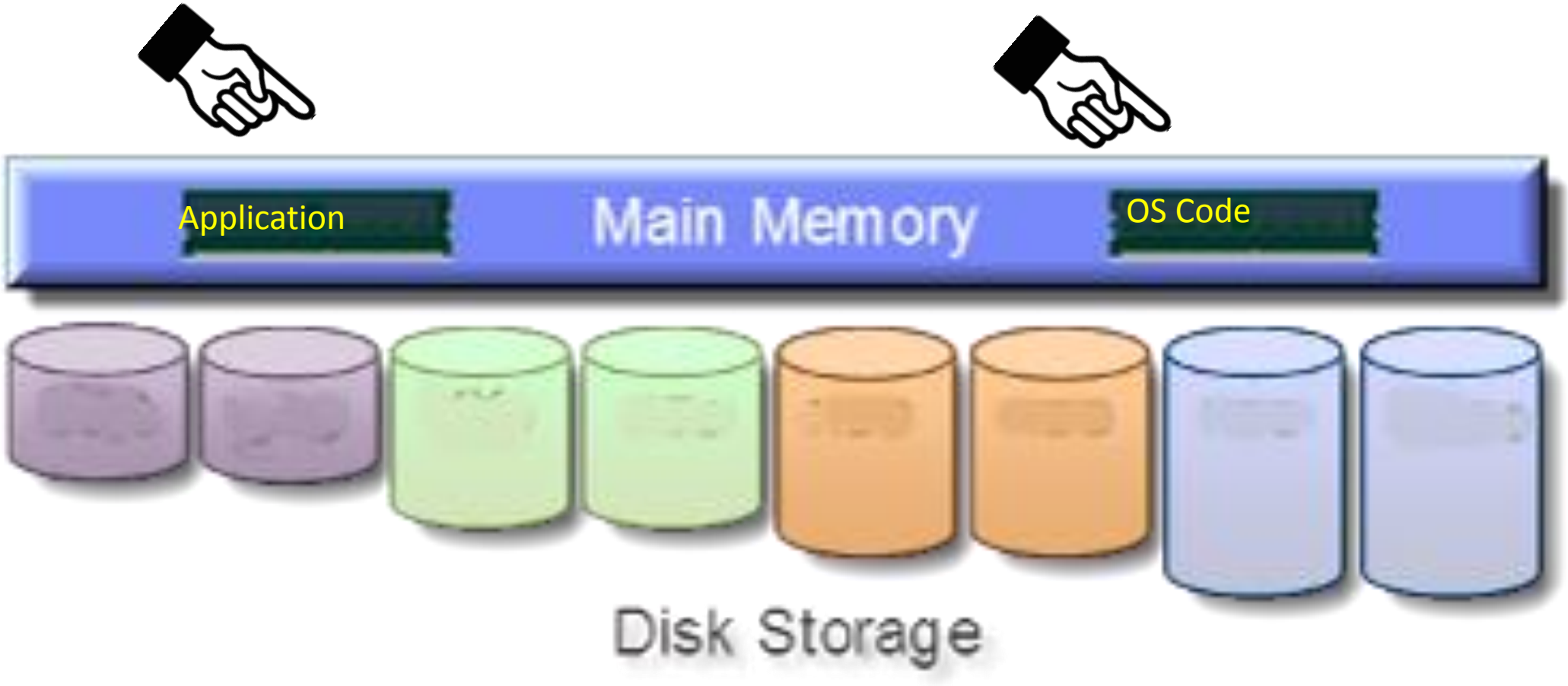

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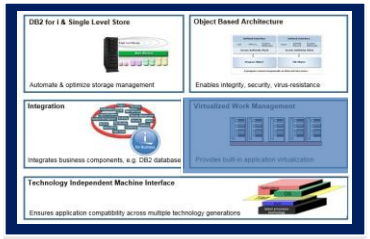

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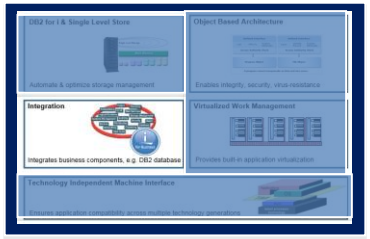

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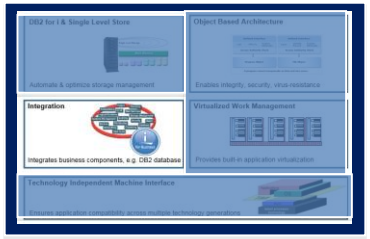

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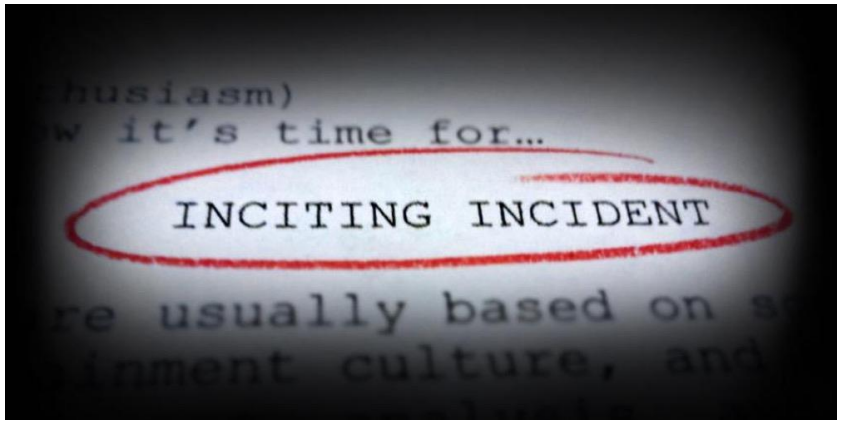

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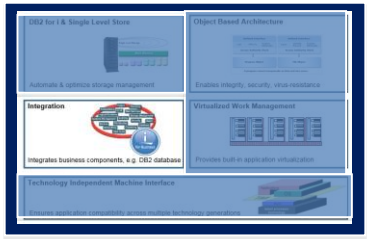
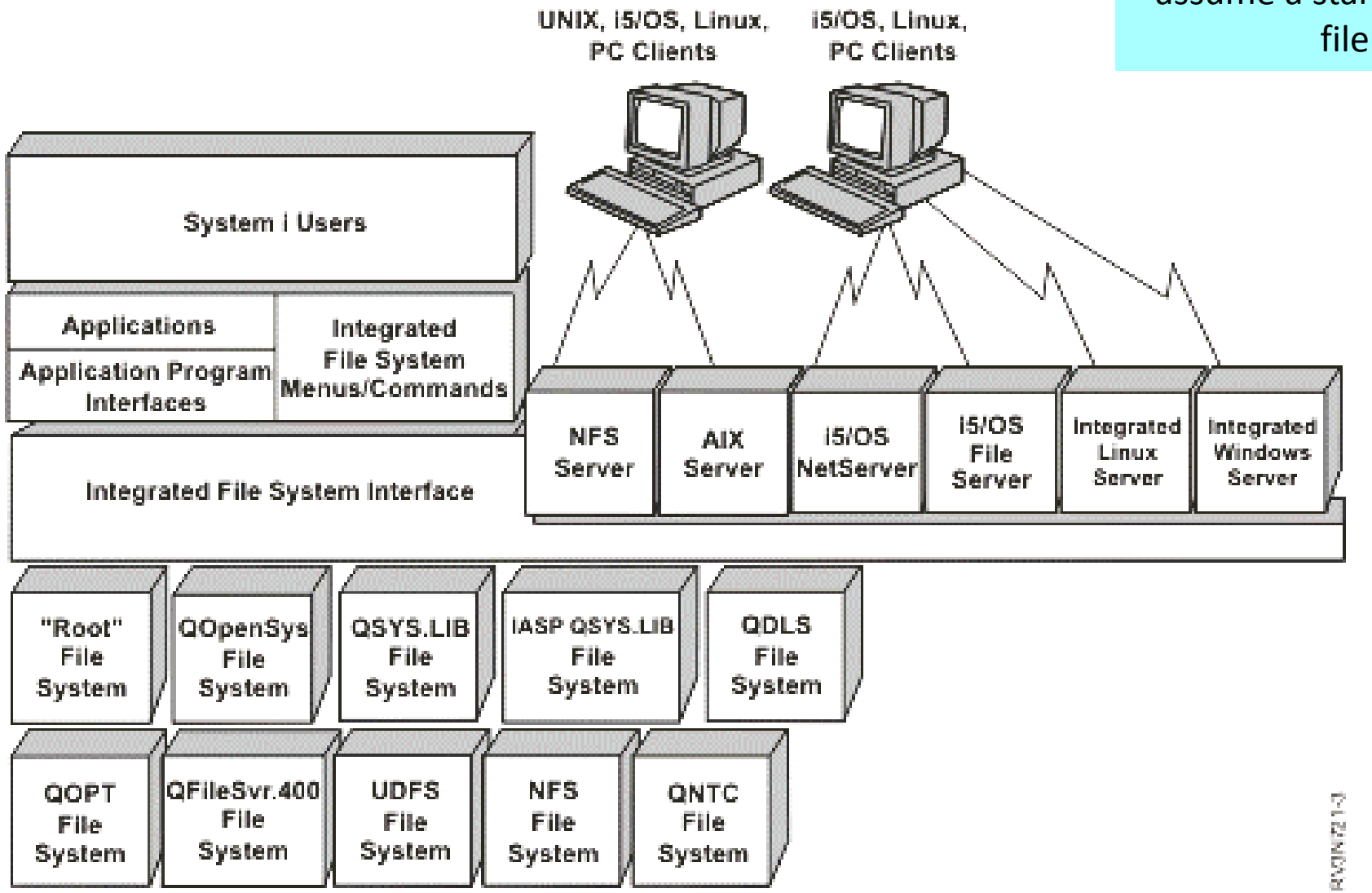
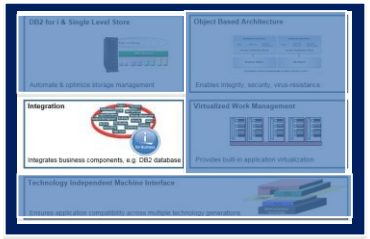


Integrated File System - IFS

Today's modern applications assume a standard, hierarchical file system





Once Upon a Time

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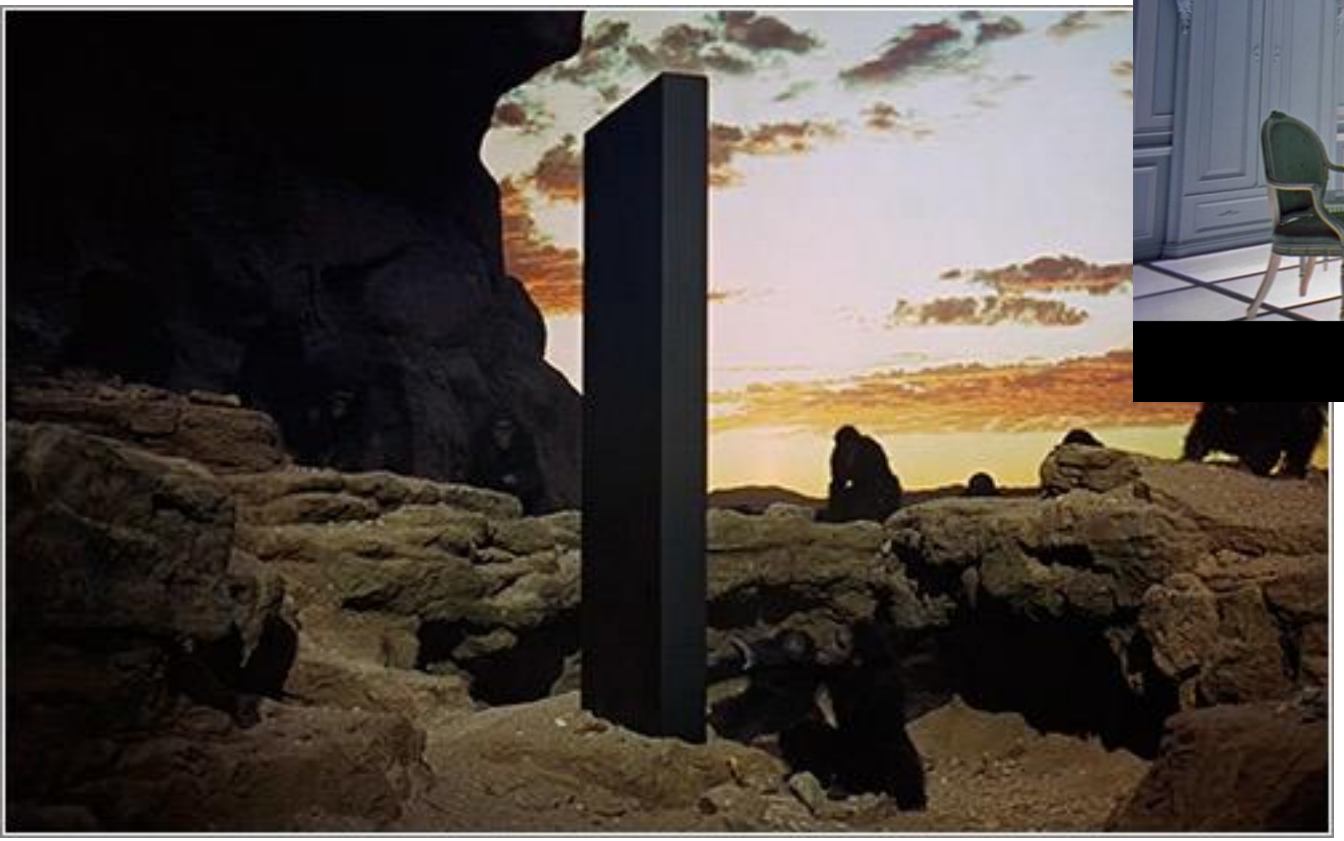

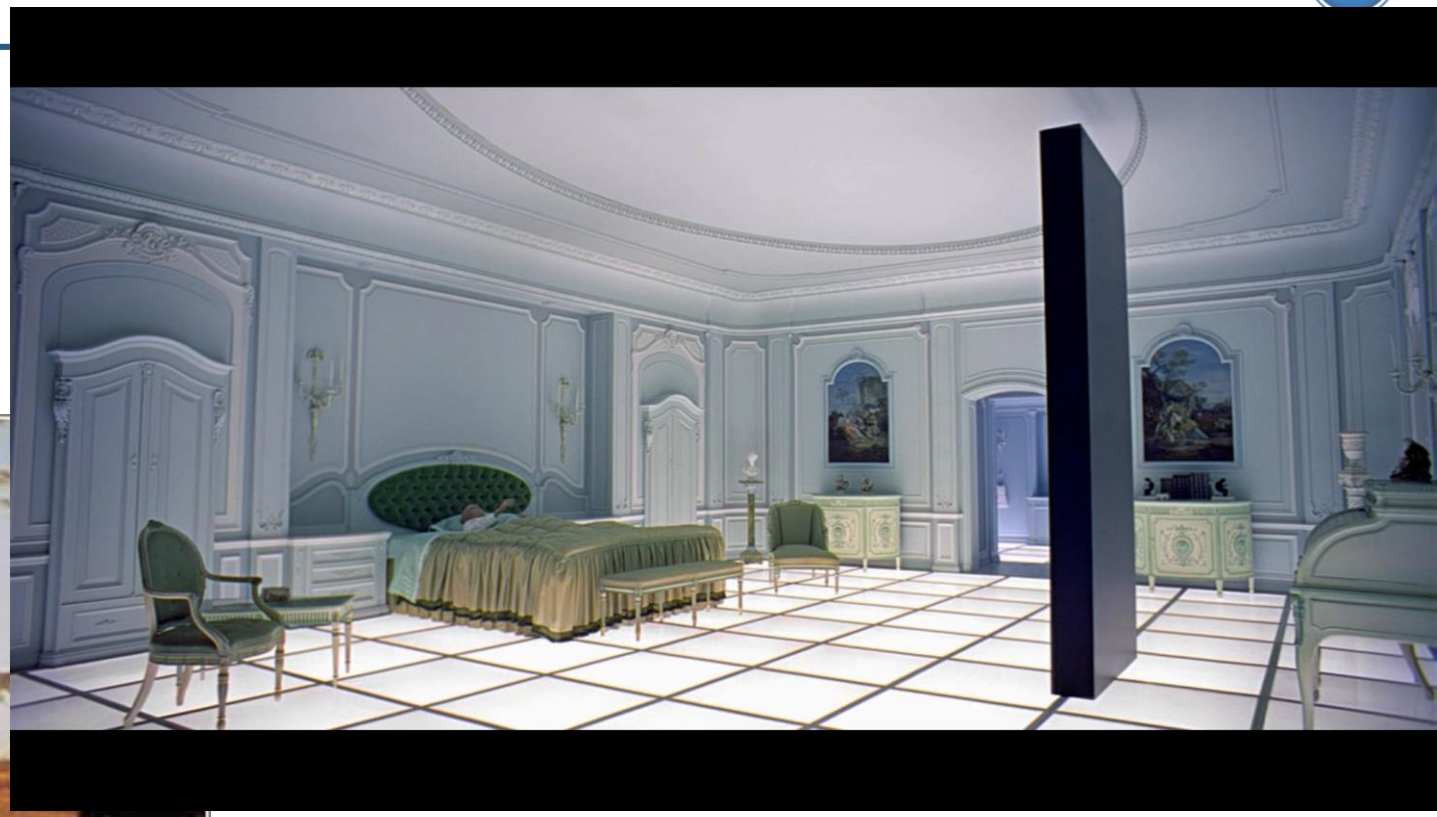

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ILE

The Integrated Language Environment: aka ILE, aka New Program Model

The creation of ILE required the creation of the **Activation Engine**

- A new architectural component
- Controls the birth, life, and death of the process and its **activation groups**

ILE Benefits

- Binding
- Modularity
- Reusable Components
- Common Runtime Services through bindable APIs
- Source Debugger
- Better Control Over Resources

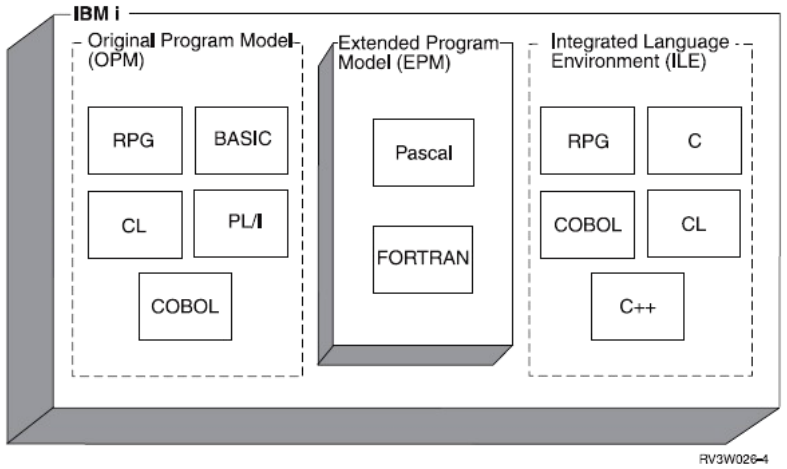
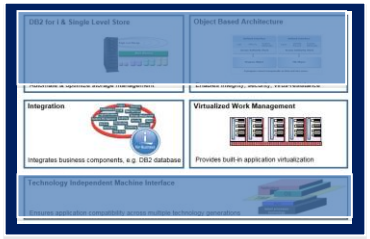


Figure 2-5. Relationship of OPM, EPM, and ILE to IBM i



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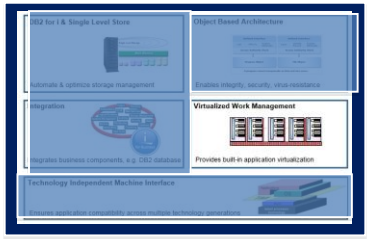

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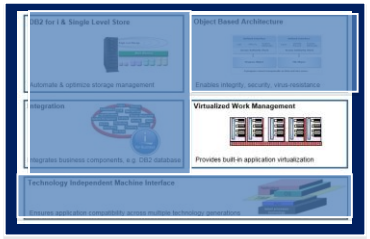

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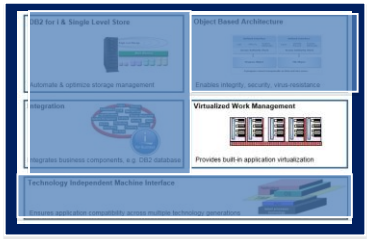

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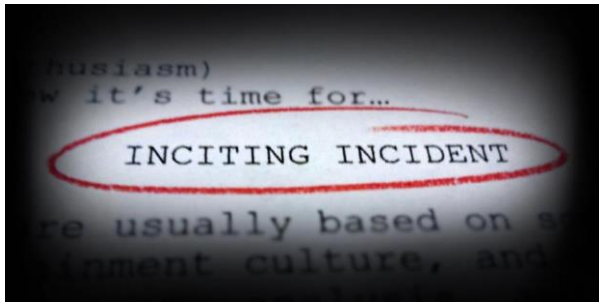

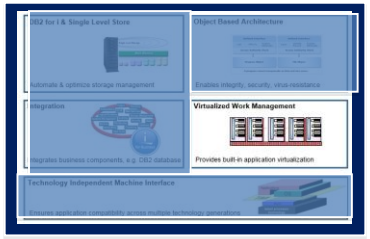

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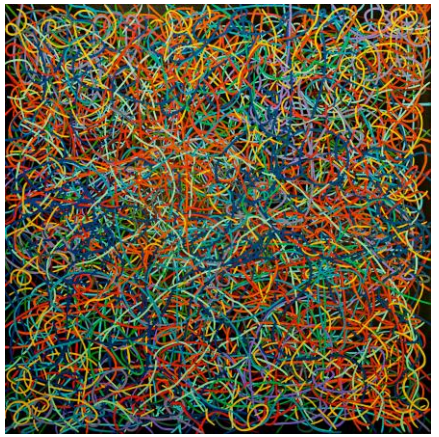

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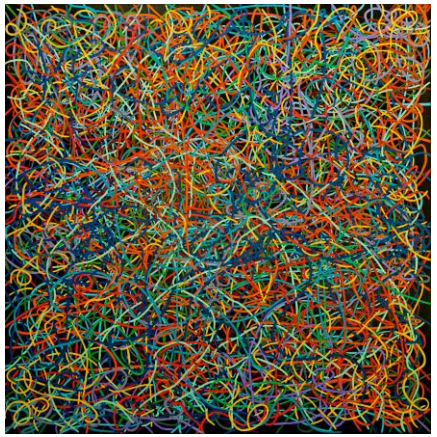

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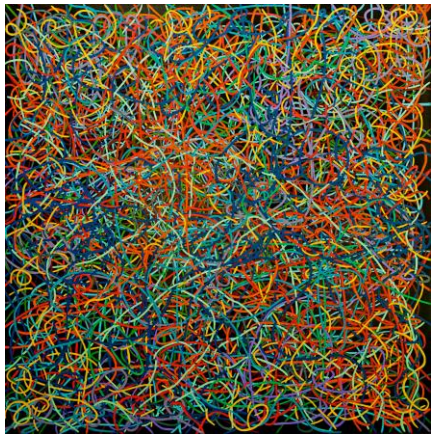

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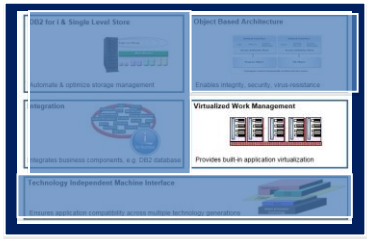

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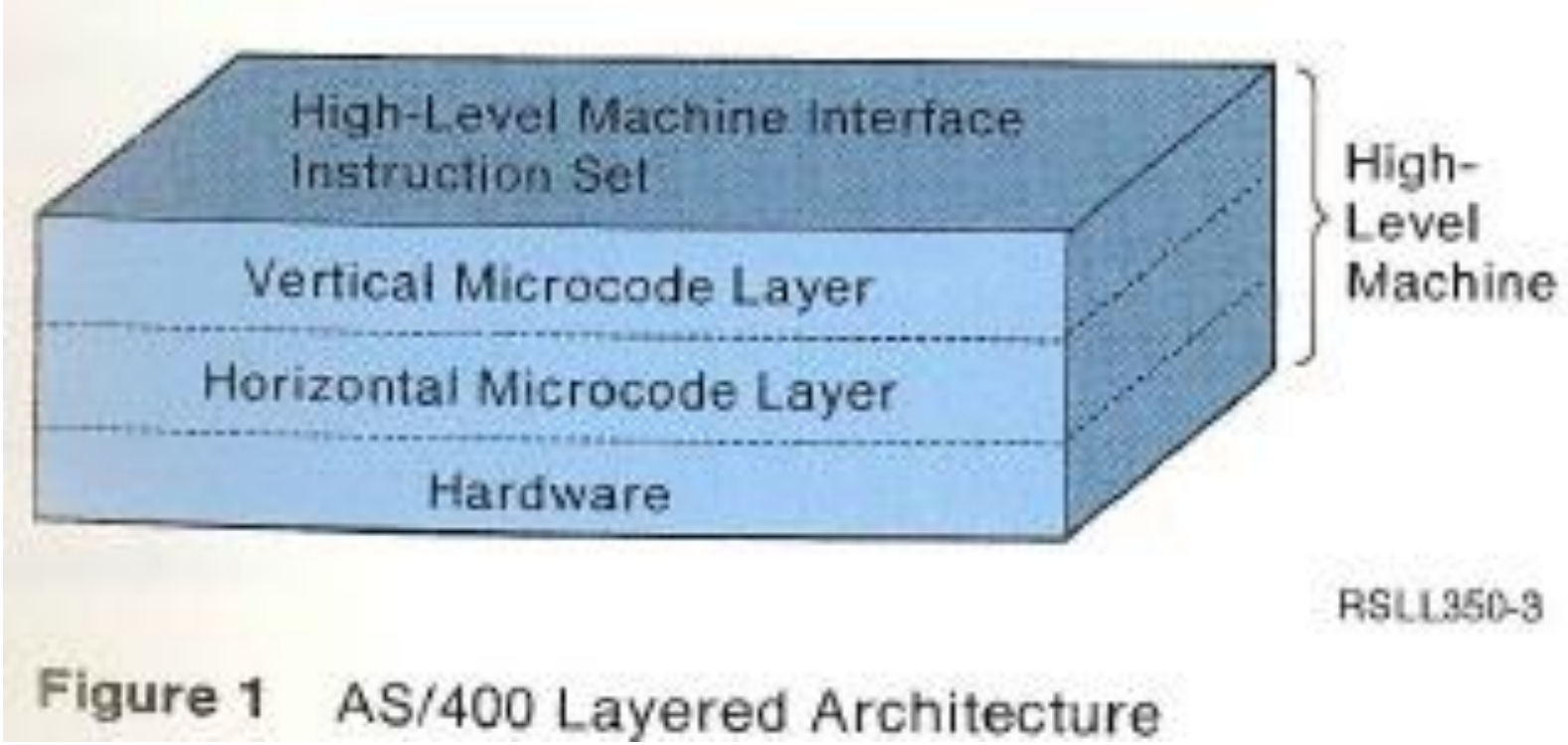

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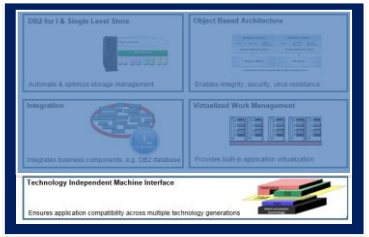

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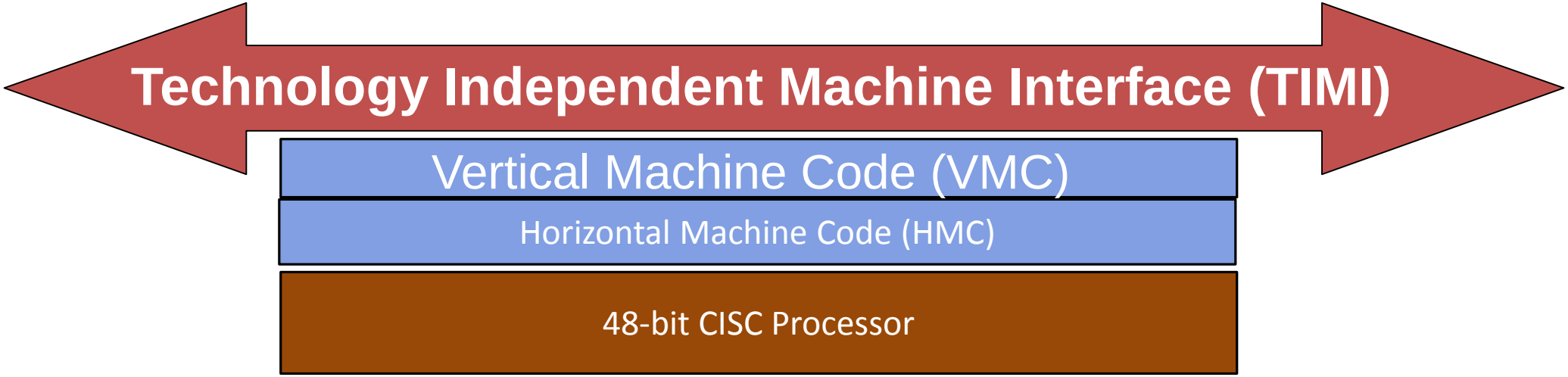

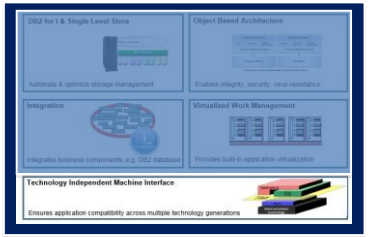

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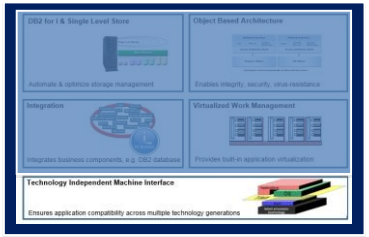

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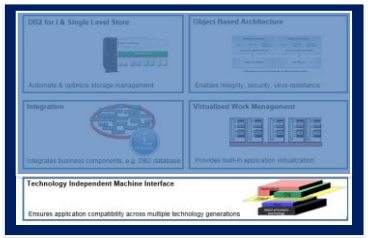

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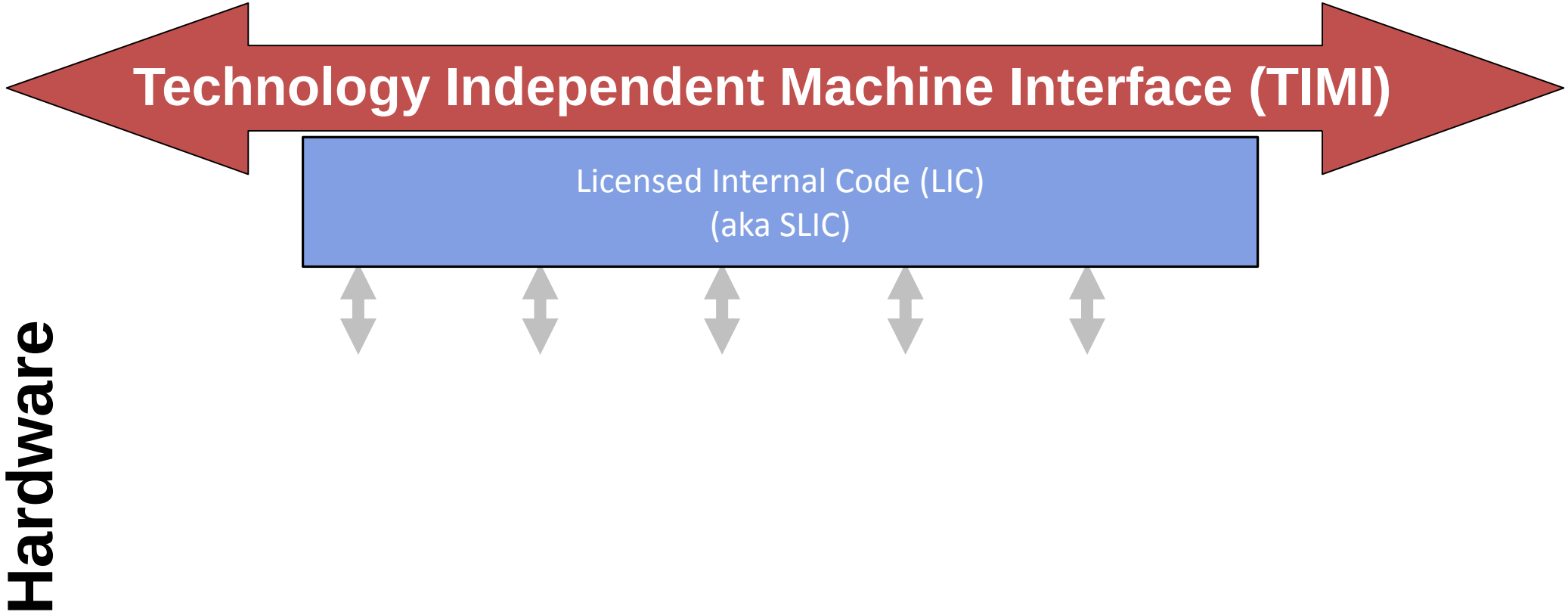

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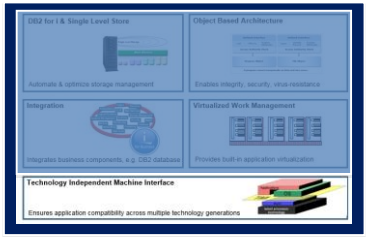

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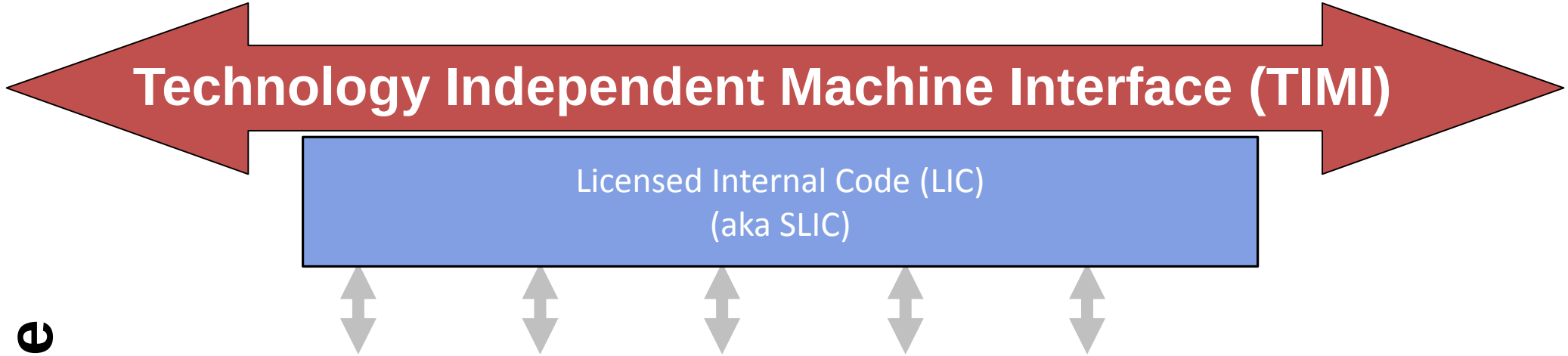

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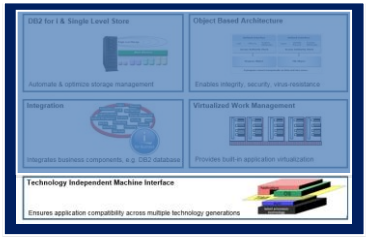

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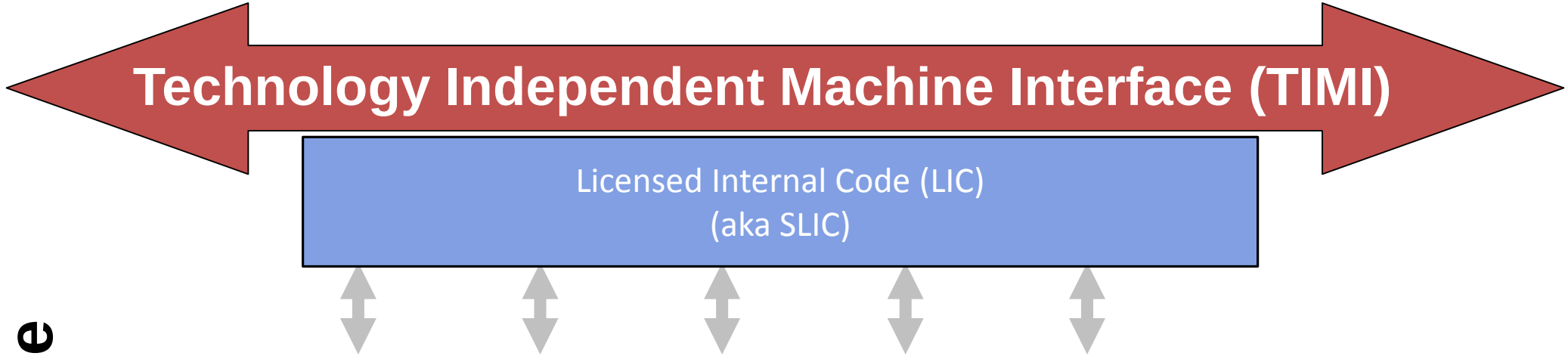

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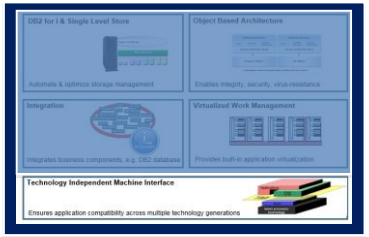

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Processor technology: 48-bit CISC to 64-bit RISC
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Memory and Disk: Increases in capacity and density
I/O adapters: SPD to PCI to PCI-X to PCIe

Future Technology

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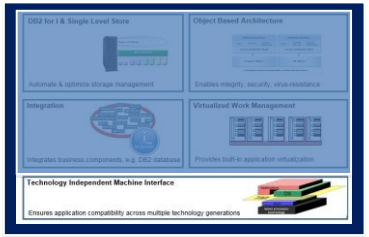

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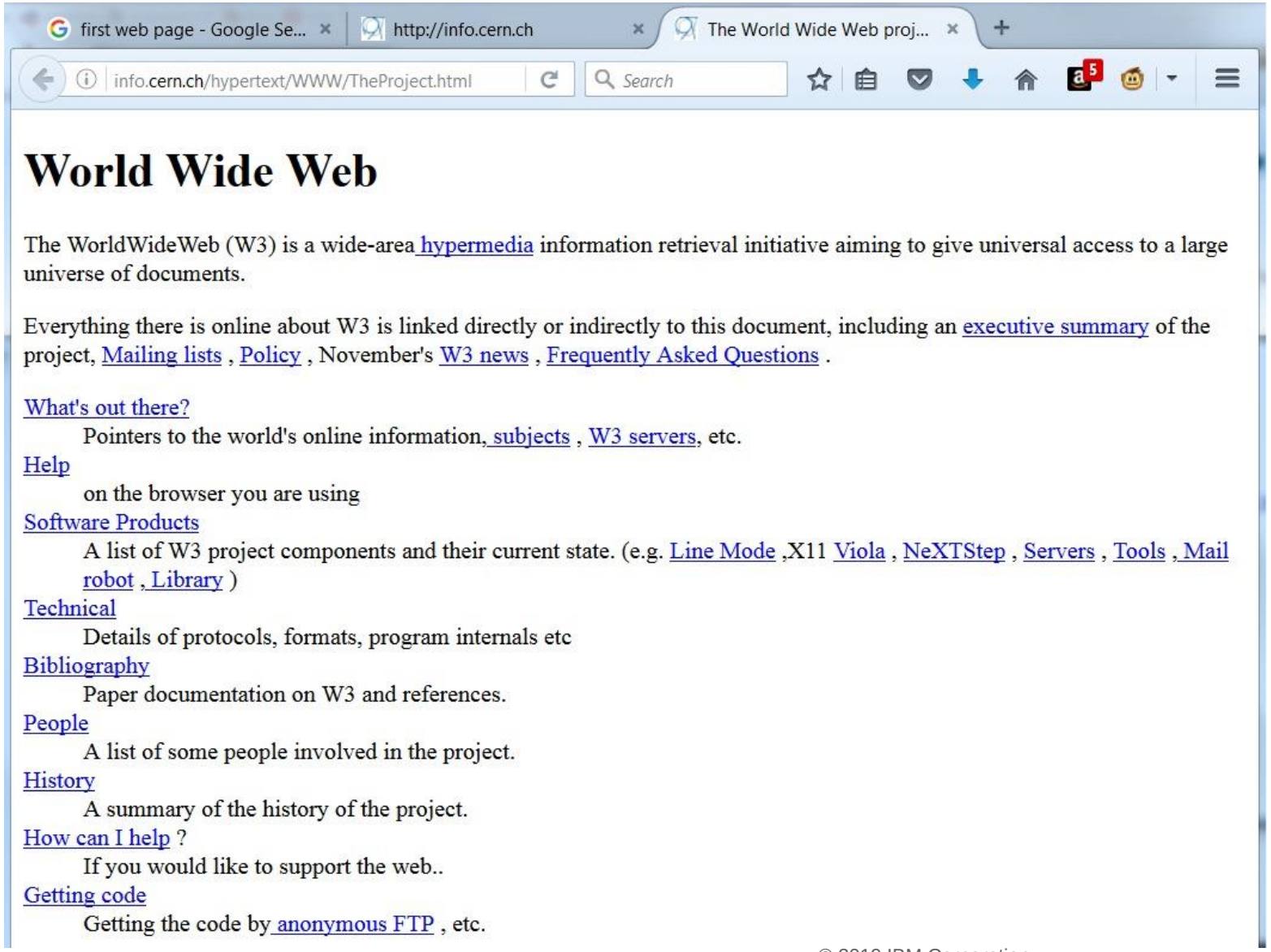

World Wide Web

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Everything there is online about W3 is linked directly or indirectly to this document, including an executive summary of the project, Mailing lists , Policy , November's W3 news , Frequently Asked Questions .

What's out there?
Pointers to the world's online information, subjects , W3 servers, etc.
Help
on the browser you are using
Software Products
A list of W3 project components and their current state. (e.g. Line Mode ,X11 Viola , NeXTStep , Servers , Tools , Mail robot , Library)
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History
A summary of the history of the project.
How can I help ?
If you would like to support the web..
Getting code
Getting the code by anonymous FTP , etc.

Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP)

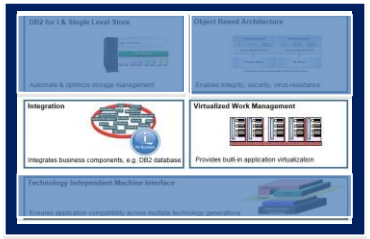
The first web page ever!

Web Serving Drove Changes

- HTTP was gaining strength as a presentation protocol
  - With imbedded data retrieval from a web server
- V3R7 – CERN-based web server
  - Single instance only; V4R1 – Multiple servers allowed
- V4R5 – Apache-based web server

- Benefited from Multi-threading

- Drove requirements for
  - Digital Certificates
  - Server Architecture
  - Teraspace



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The Classic Query Engine - CQE

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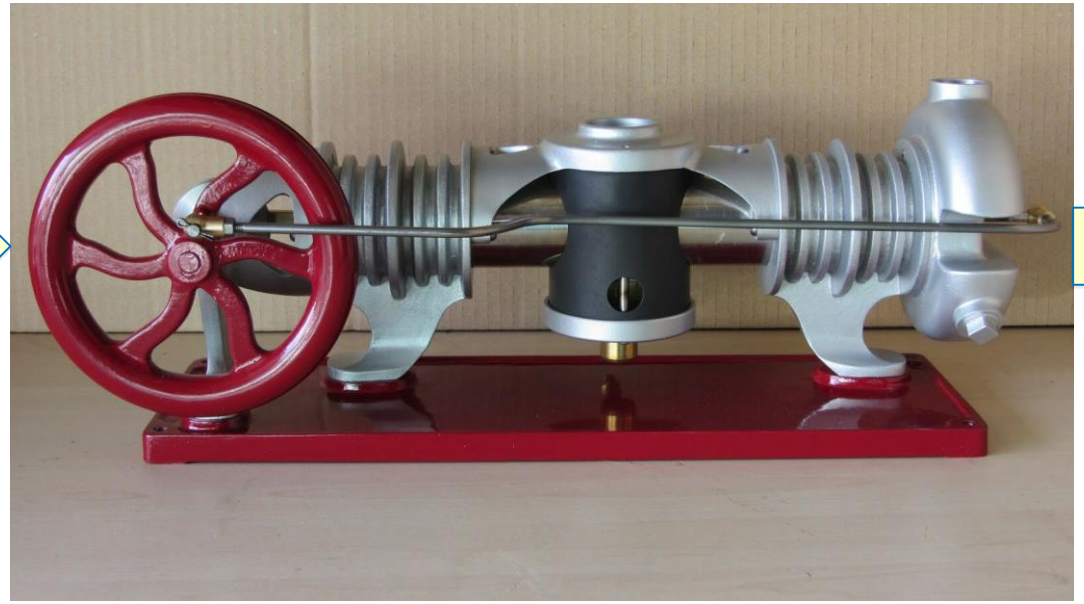

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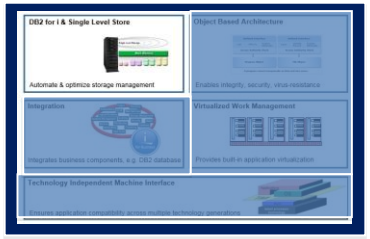

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SQL

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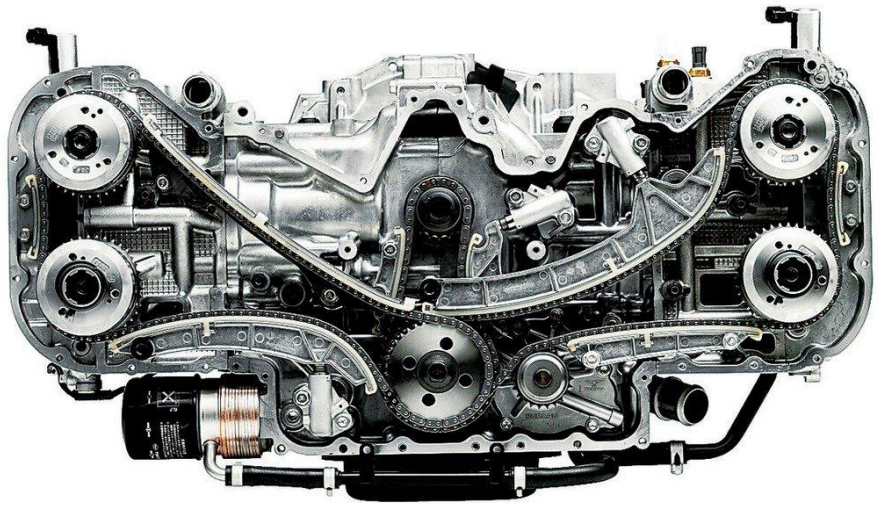

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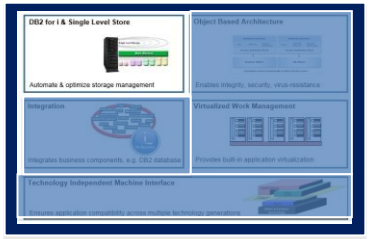

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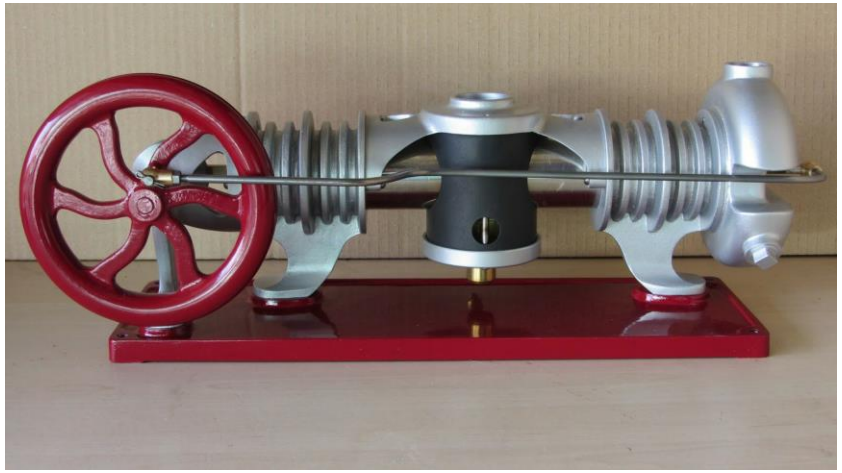

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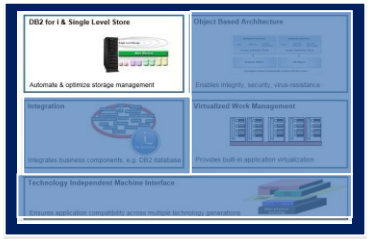

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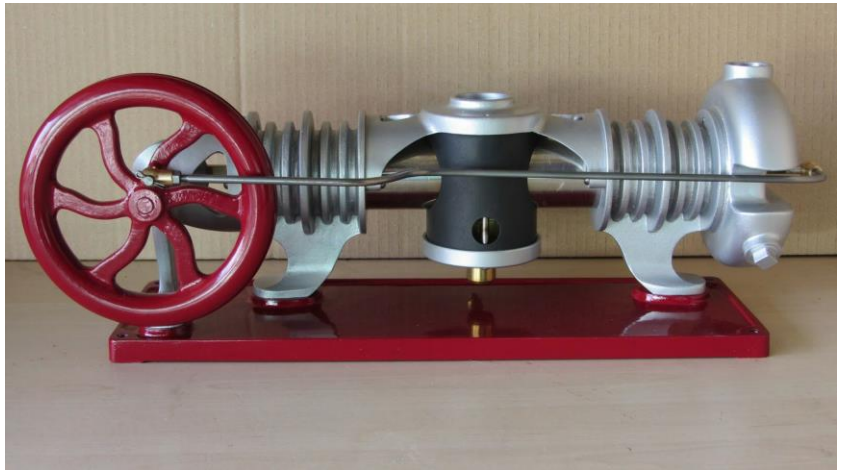

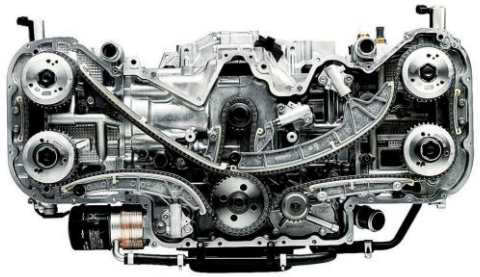

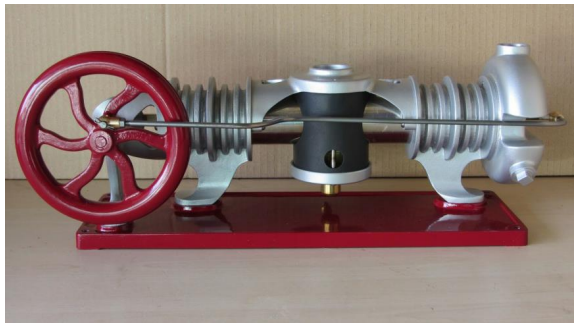

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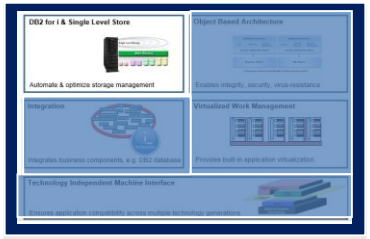

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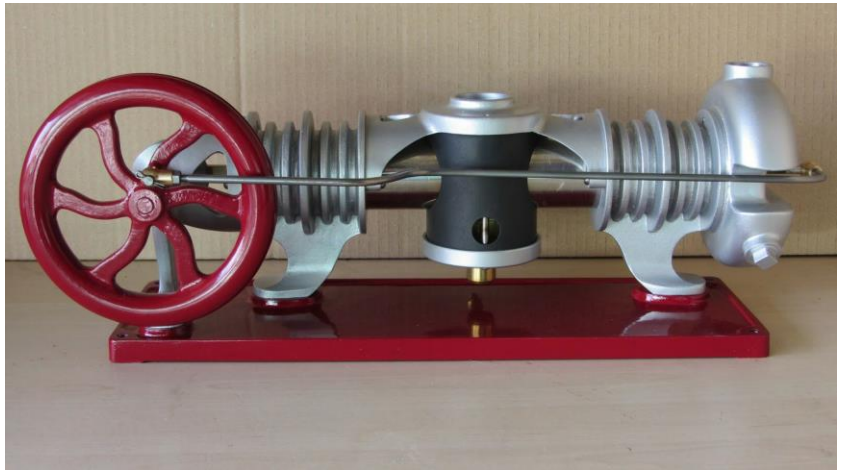

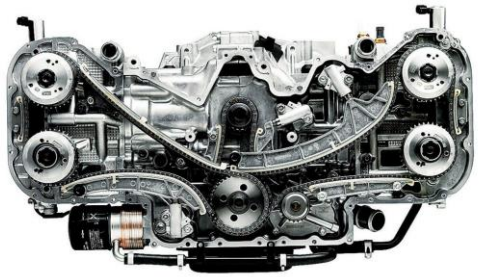

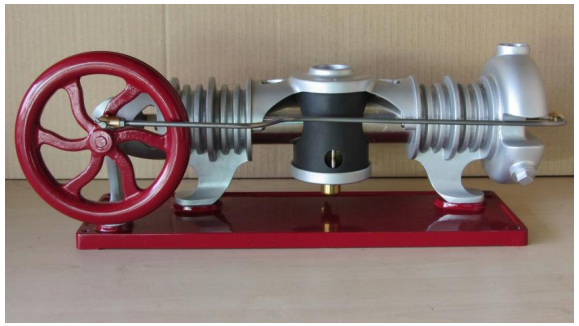

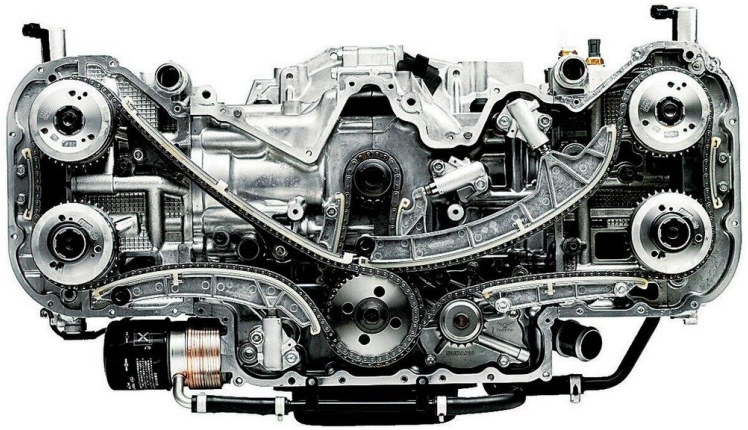

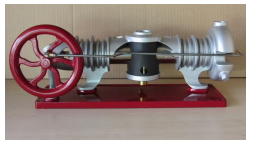

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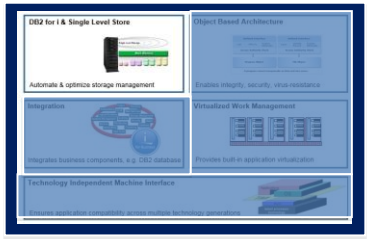
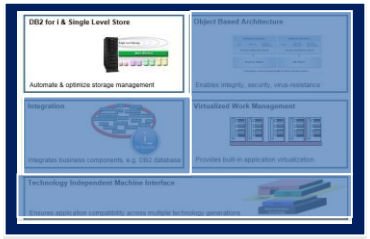


Teraspace: Storage Revolution

- 1 Terabyte (= 2^{40} bytes)
  - flat (non-segmented), process-local storage
  - Temporary
- Lightweight 8-byte pointers available
  - high performance, untagged
- And definitely NOT Single-Level Store!



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Retranslation at 6.1

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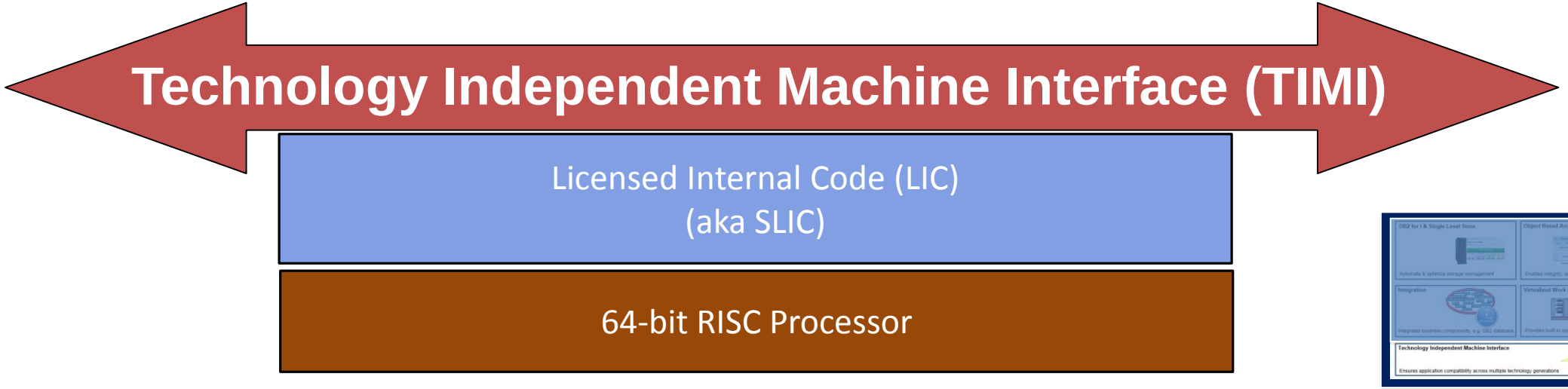
- Improving security & integrity
- Performance
- Removing limits



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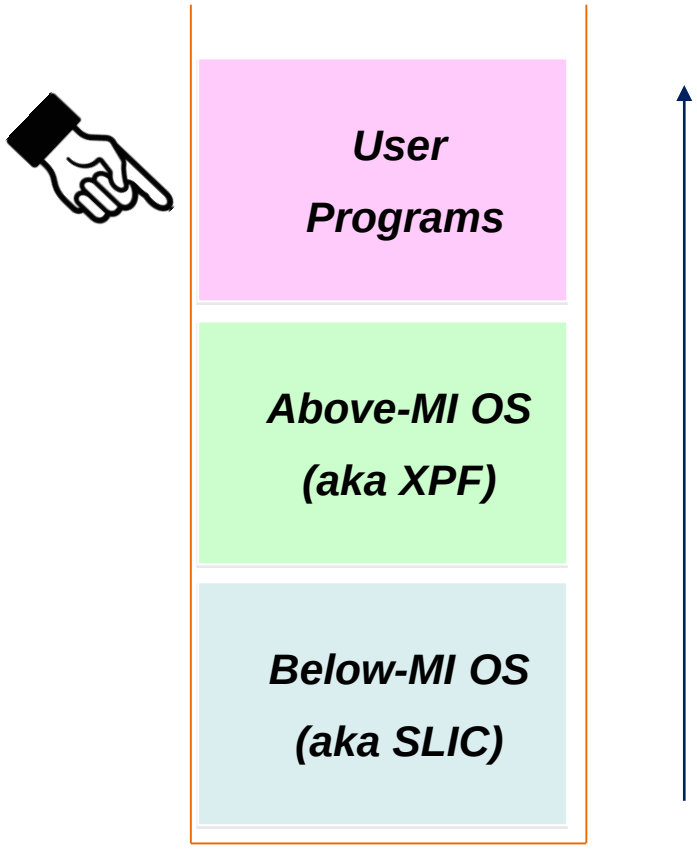

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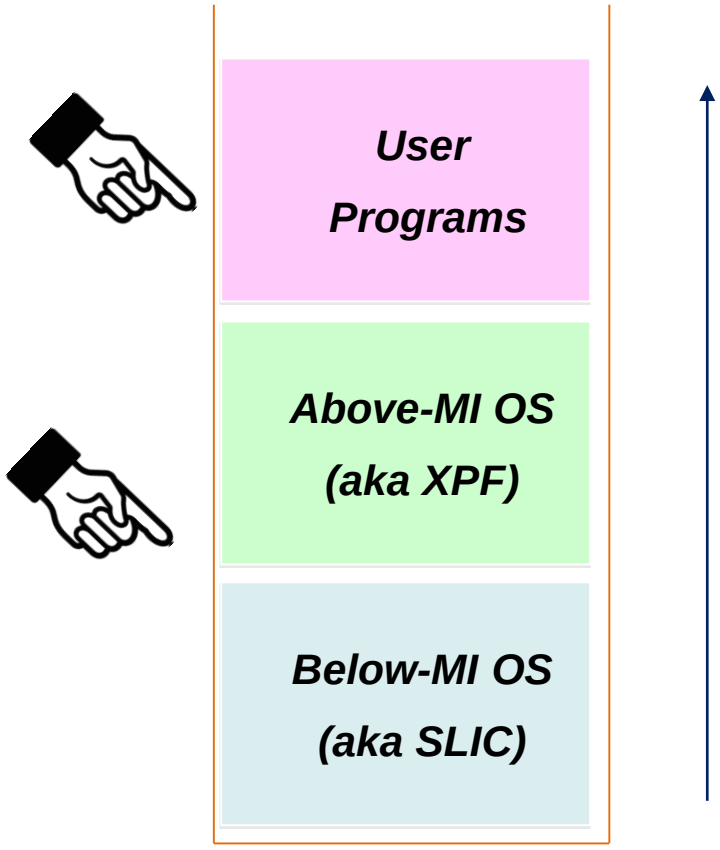

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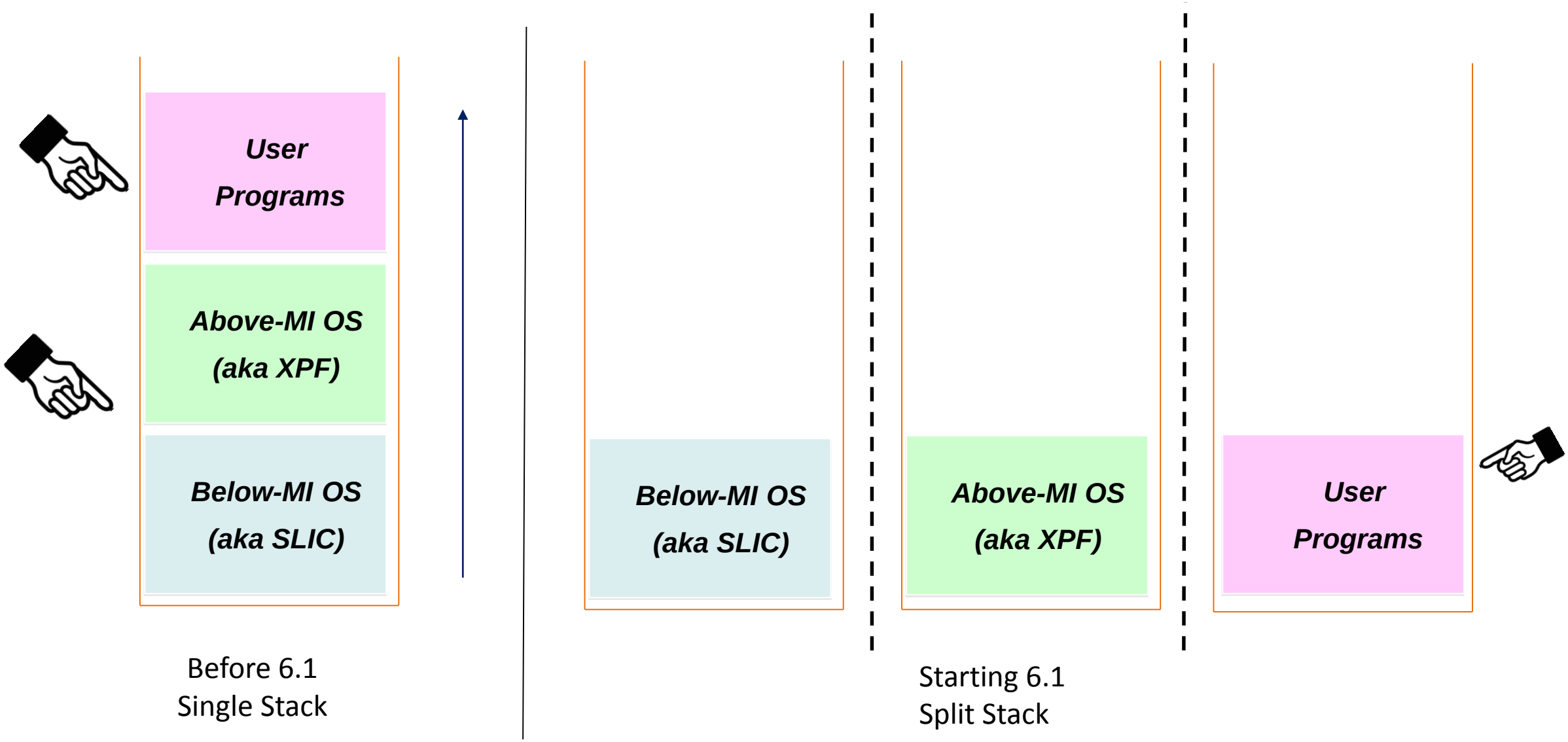
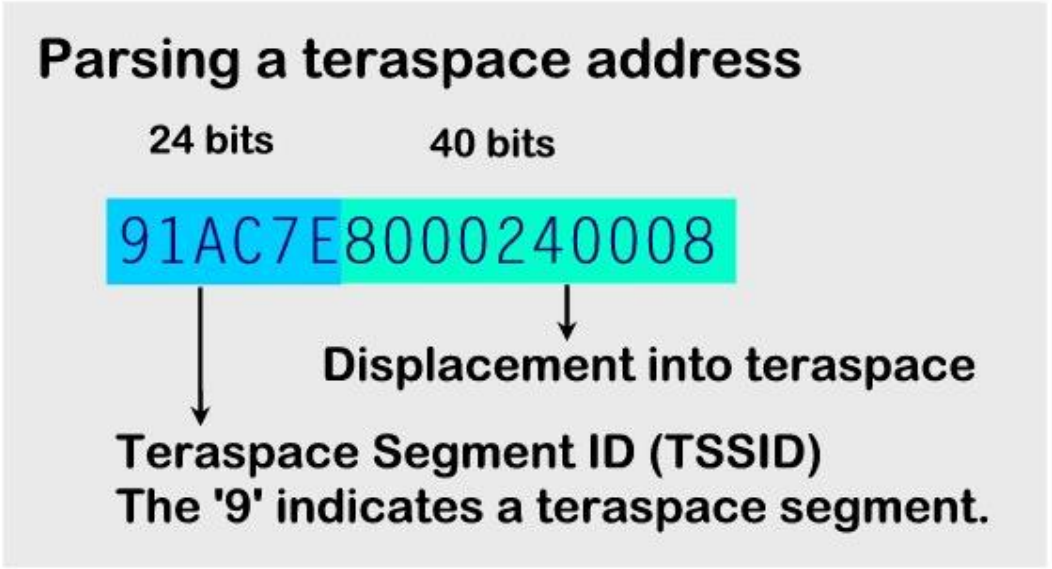
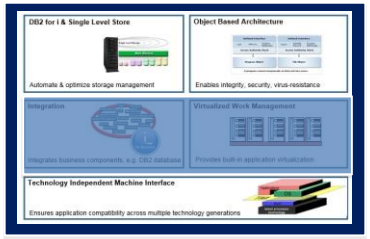


Retranslation Integrity & Performance Part 2: Teraspace

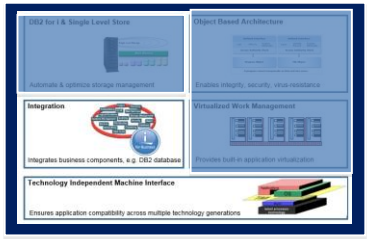
- Teraspace initially implemented in software – in SLIC
- Over time, processor support was added to improve use and integrity of addressing.
- By 6.1, all supported machine types had the necessary processor support to do teraspace “right.”
- Retranslation accomplished true “hardware protection” and use of teraspace.





PASE – Portable Application Solutions Environment

- By 2000, AIX and OS/400 were able to run on the same POWER processors.



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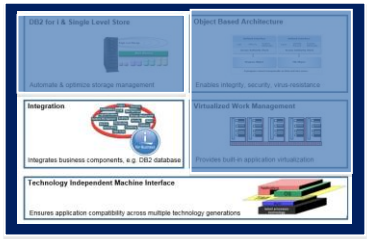

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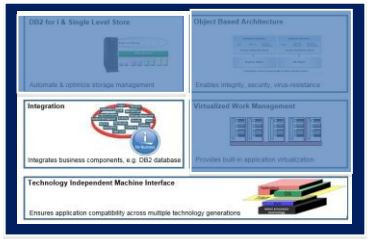
  - Fitted to talk to SLIC rather than directly to the AIX kernel.
- PASE gets the memory from same SLIC teraspace pools used by ILE
  - for program run stack, heap, and shared memory
  - PASE can ONLY see memory that PASE acquired through its own syscall APIs



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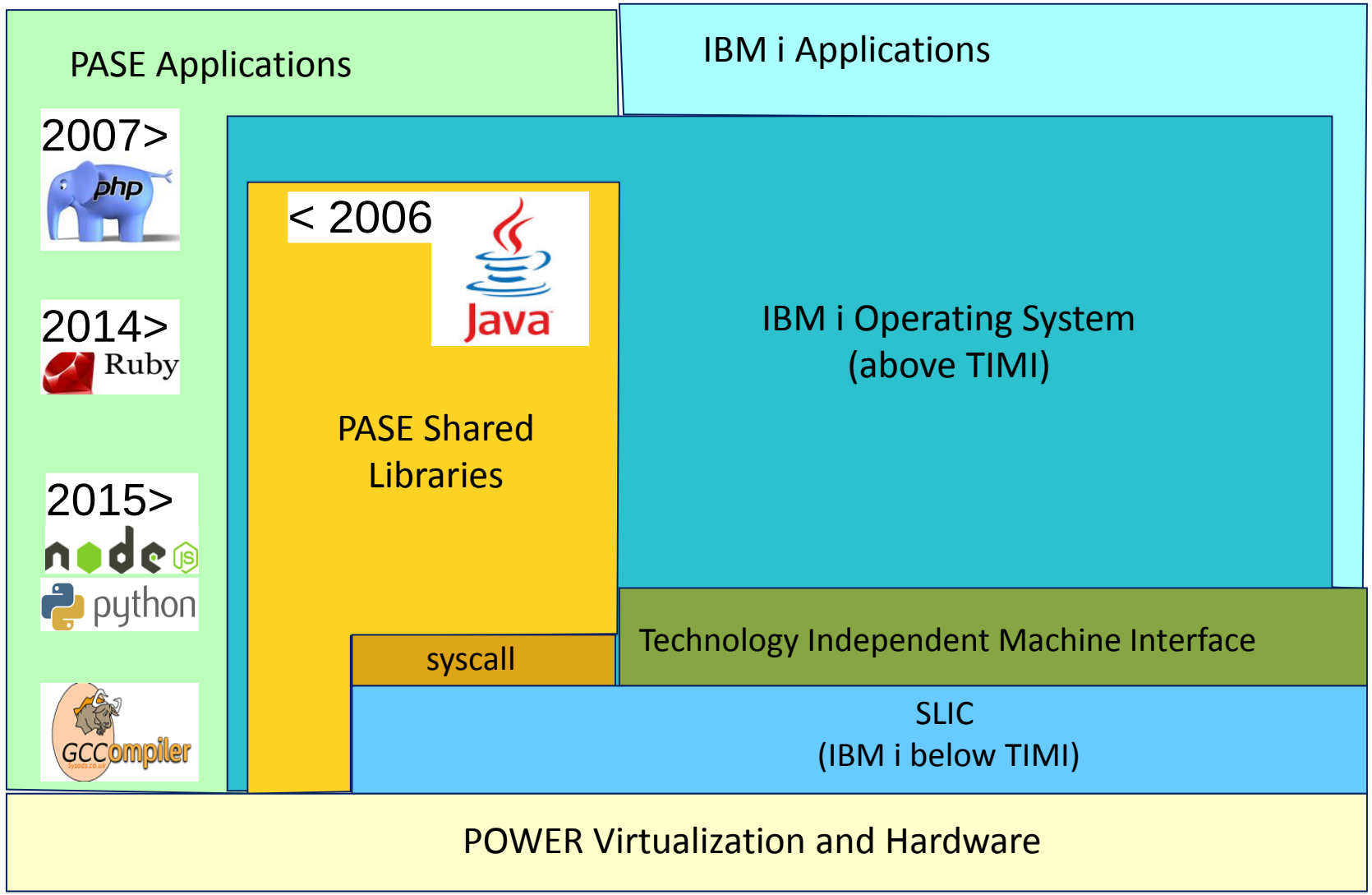
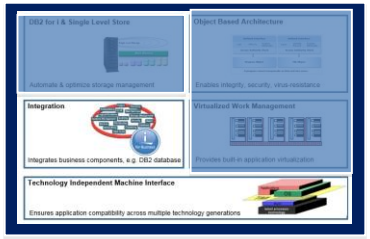


PASE allows IBM i to host

- Java
  - SAP
- PHP
- Ruby
- And many other open source options



Managing/Accessing the System

Java & Web +
Server Jobs

GUI
Emulated
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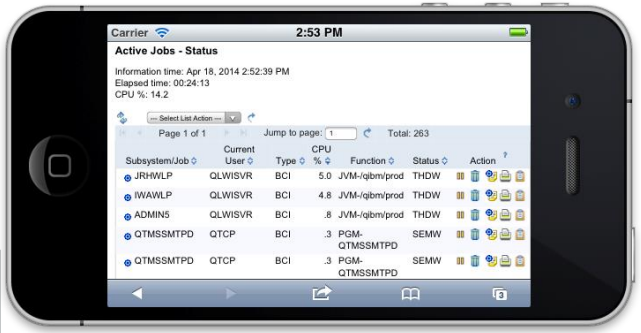
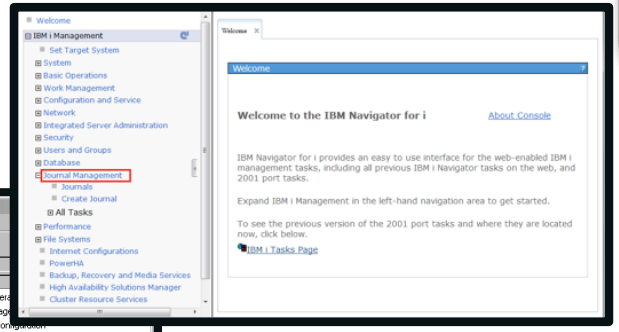
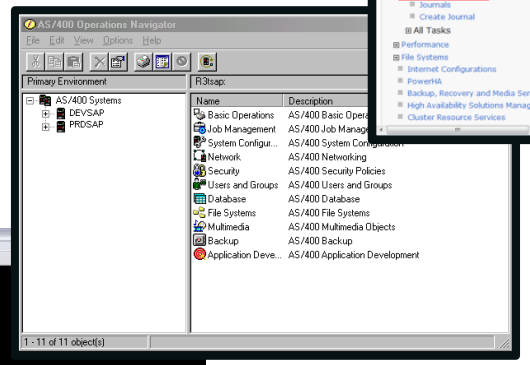
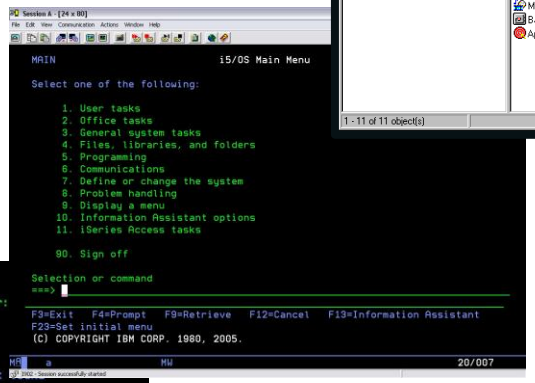
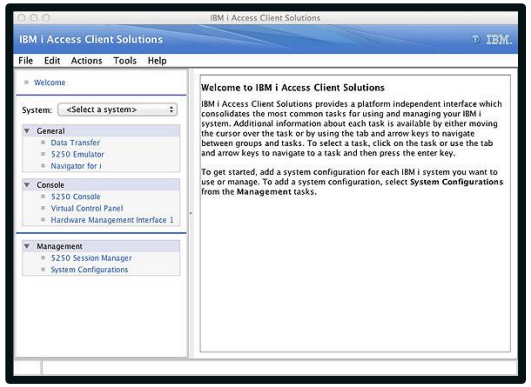
Java, Mobile, BYOD
SQL Services

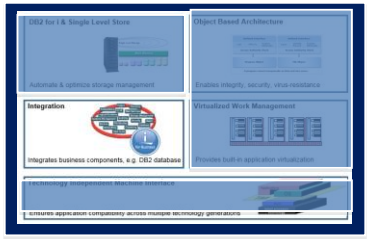








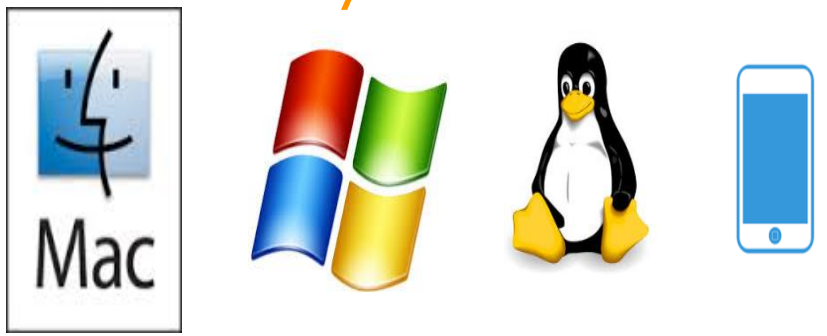


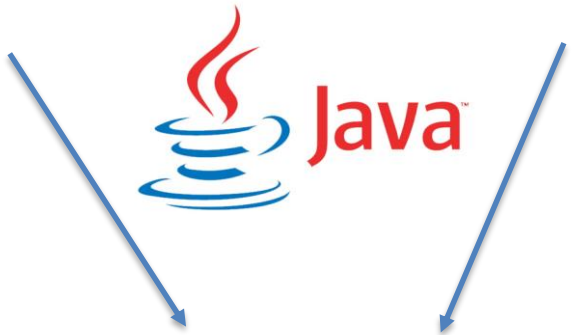


IBM i Access and Management

Limited to Windows Install

Any Device





Some things I'll just mention

- Development Tools
- National Language Support
- Display & Print
- LDAP
- Object Signing
- Enterprise Identity Mapping
- Scaling
- Nodal Affinity
- Independent ASPs
- Logical Partitioning
- N-2 Support
- Technology Refreshes
- Evolution to Waiting Servers
- Integration of Open Source

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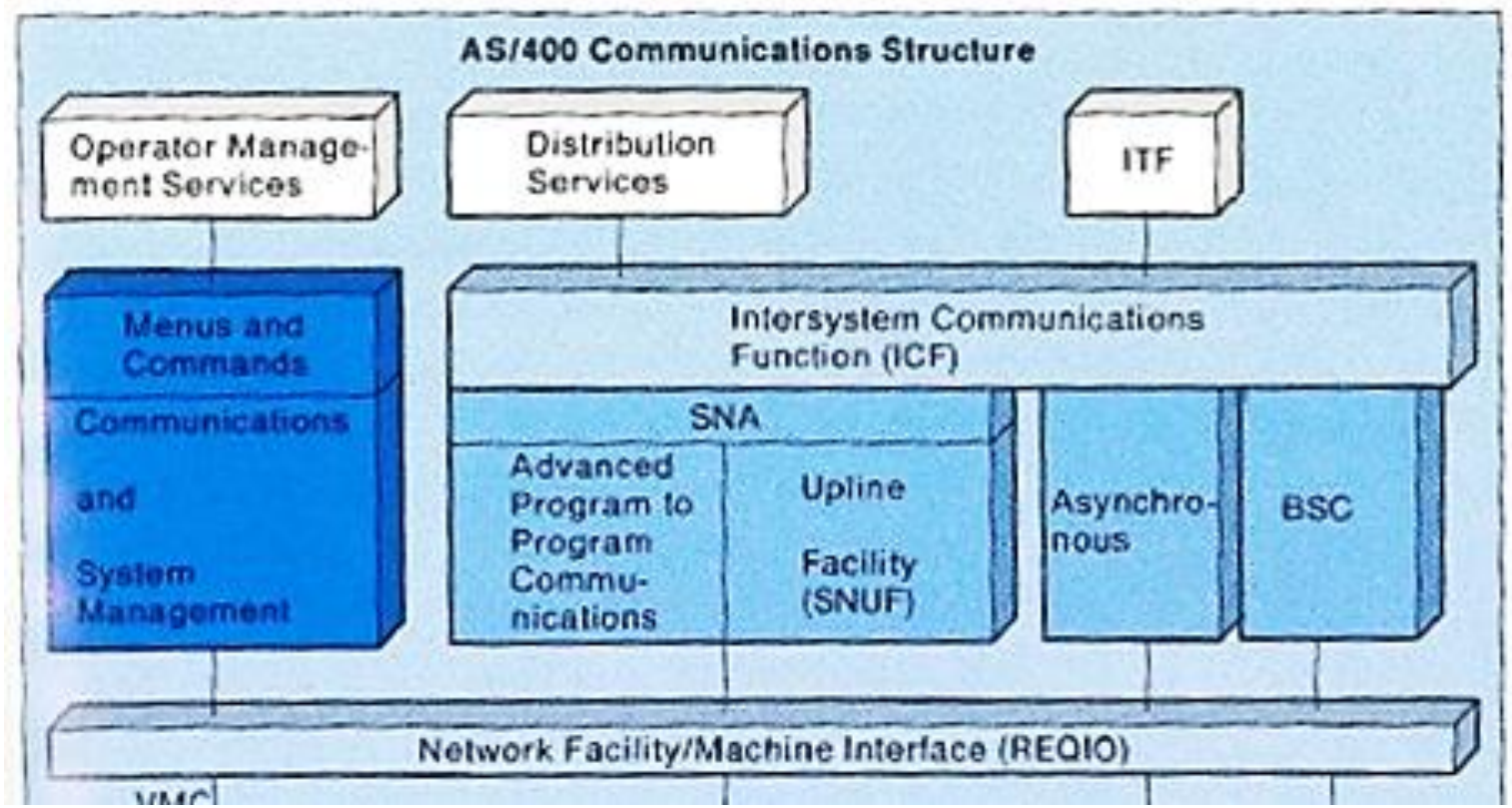
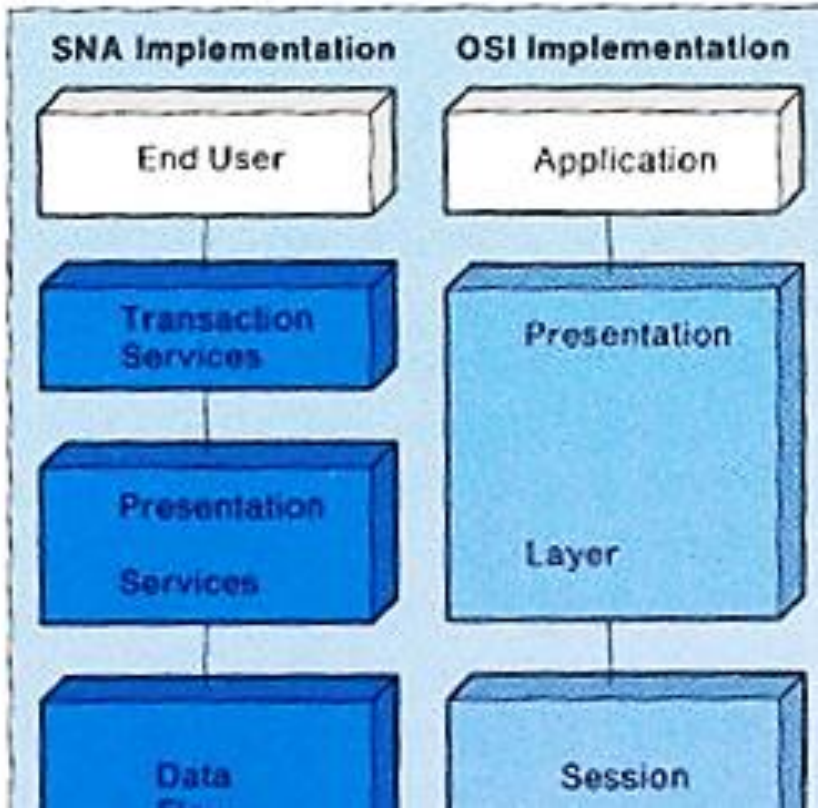
AS/400 Integrated Data Communications





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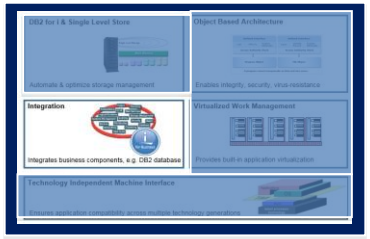

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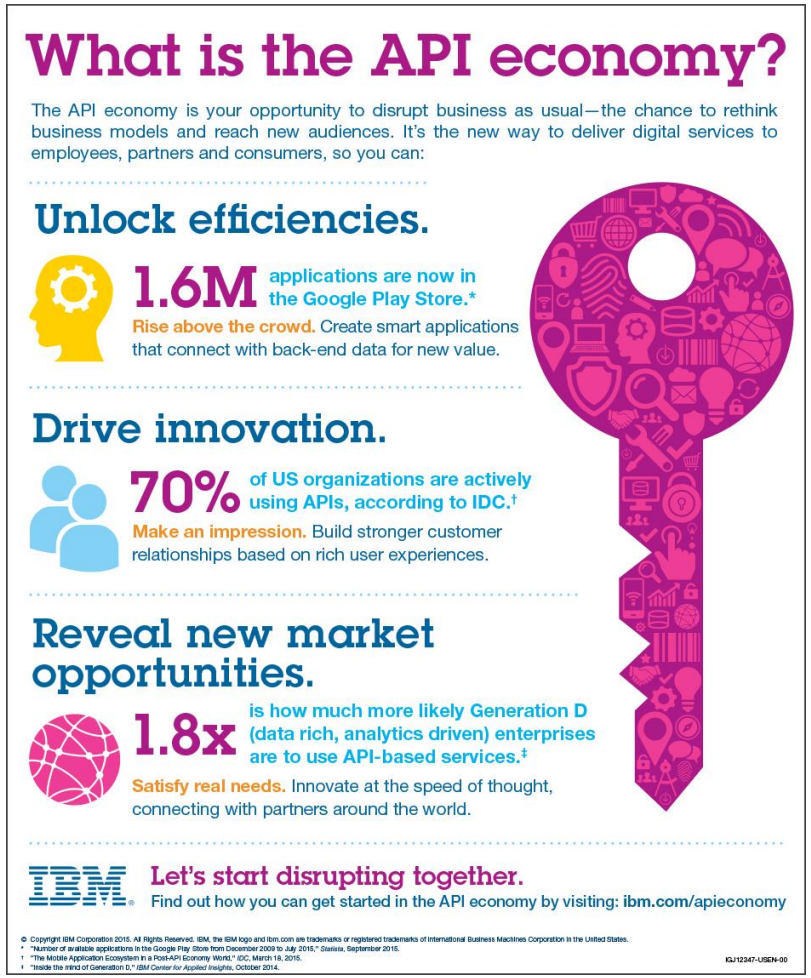
Gone or transformed to be nearly unrecognizable.

What now?

Continuous Availability



IBM Db2 Mirror for i

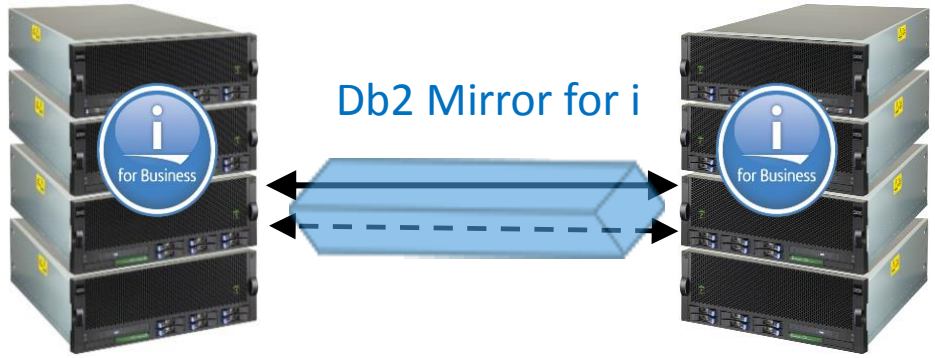
Operating System Synchronous Replication

Continuous Availability

24 x 7 Up Time

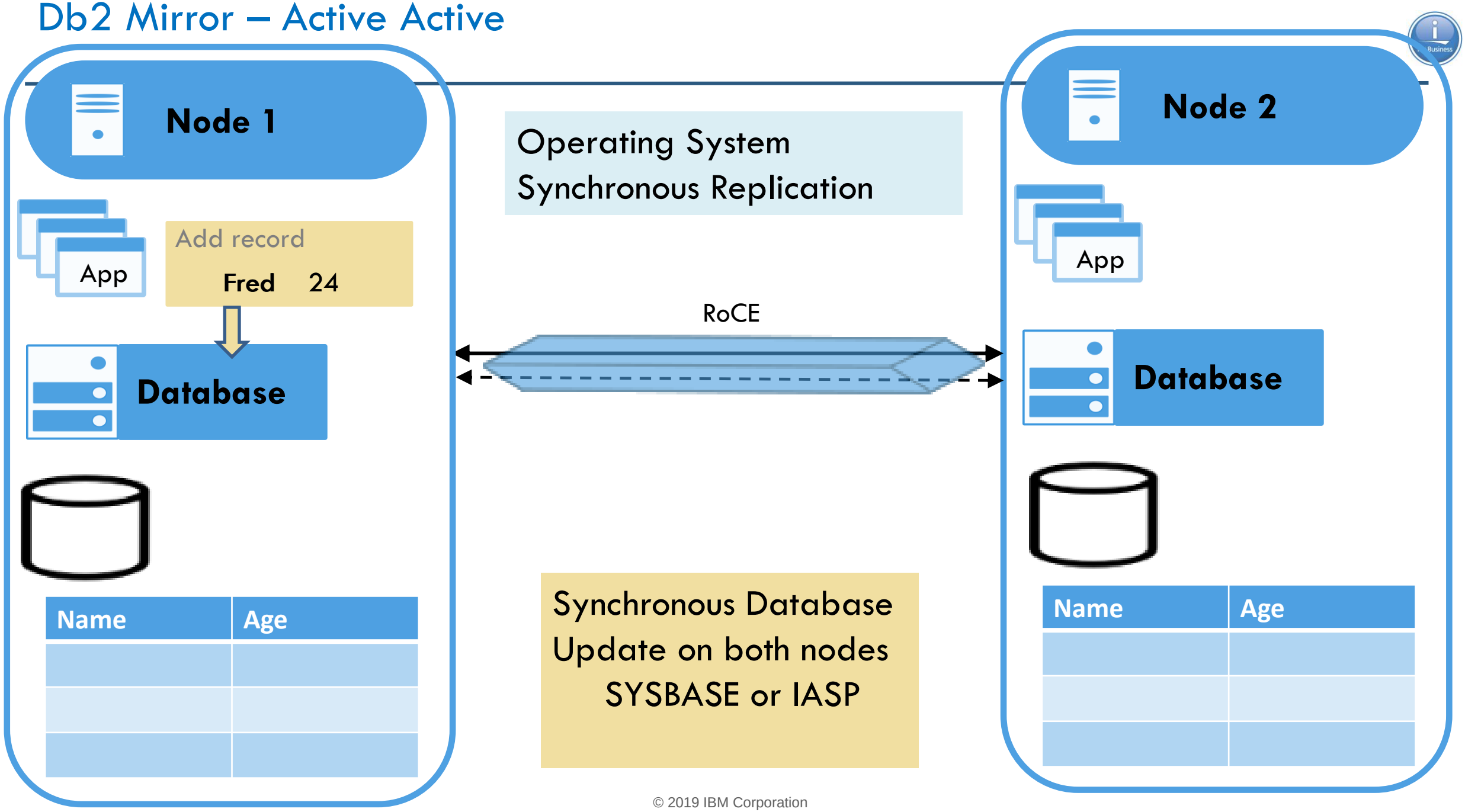
Rolling Upgrades

RTO/RPO Near Zero



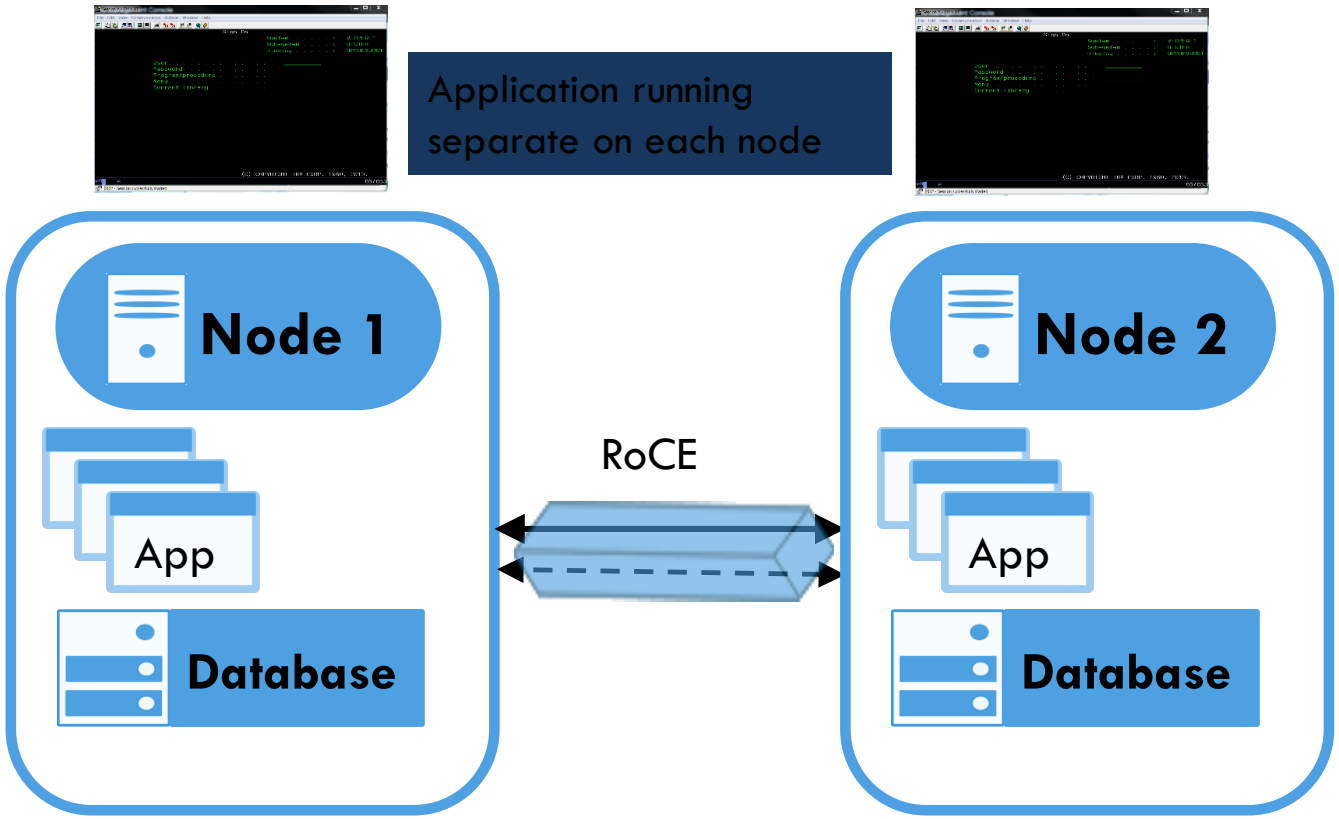
POWER8 or later & IBM i 7.4
+ External Storage

Db2 Mirror – Active Active



Db2 Mirror – Database Supported Objects

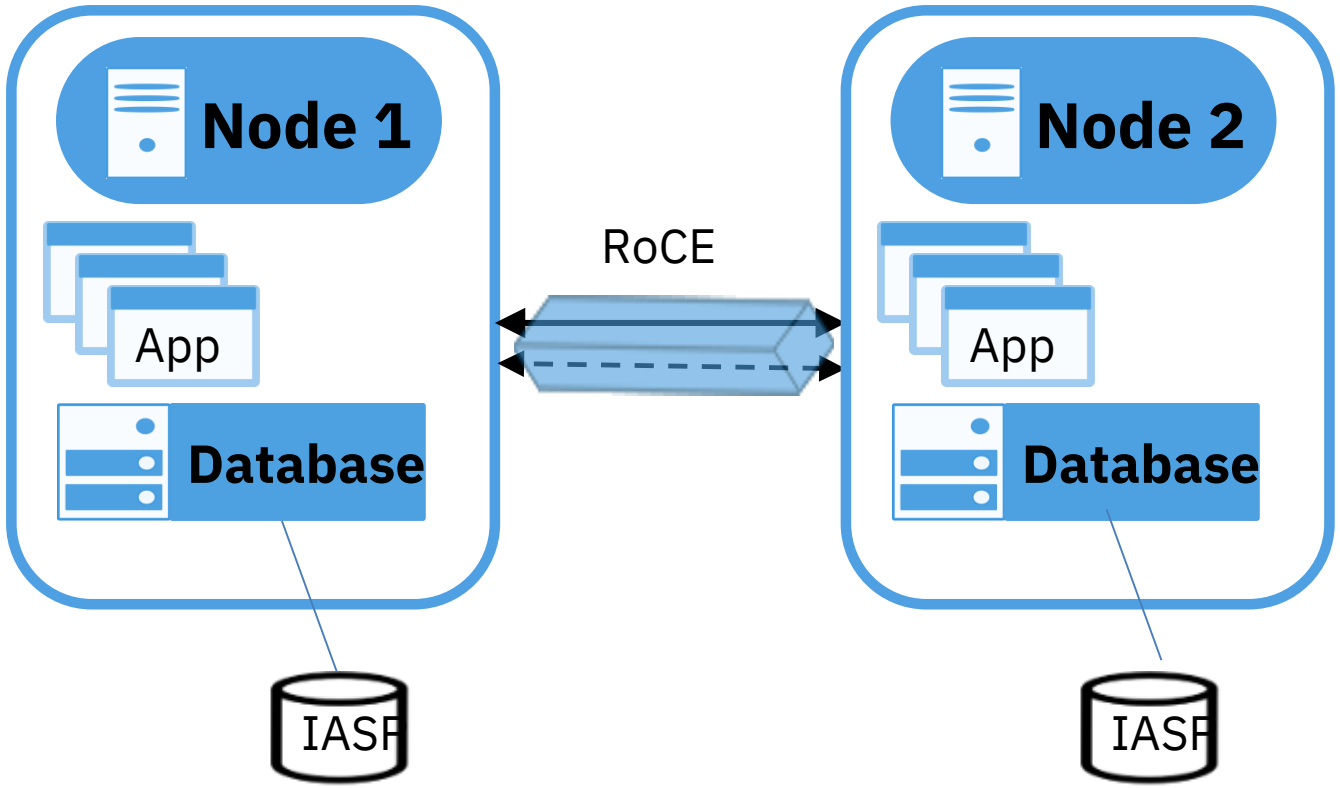
- Database replication eligible:
  - Native:
  - -- Database physicals & logical files
    SQL:
    -- Aliases
    -- Functions
    -- Indexes
    -- Permissions
    -- Procedures
    -- Schemas
    -- Sequences
    -- *SQLPKG (not extended dynamic SQL Packages)
    -- Tables
    -- Triggers
    -- Types
    -- Global Variables
    -- Views
    -- XSR Objects
- DDS / Record Level Access
- SQL / Set Based Access



Db2 Mirror – Other Supported Objects

- Other Objects
  - User profiles
  - Authority
  - Ownership
  - Security
  - PGM/SRVPGM
  - Data Areas
  - Data Queues (DDL Only)
  - SYSVALs
  - ENVARs
  - LIB
  - JOBD
  - Journals
  - Files (also has DDL Only option)
- Special Handling
  - OUTQ / Spool
  - Job Queue

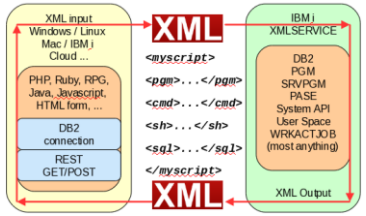
Objects can be in either **SYSBAS** or **IASP**s



Delivered with every new open source language/version

- FastCGI
  - Allows fast connection from HTTP server to backend PASE environment

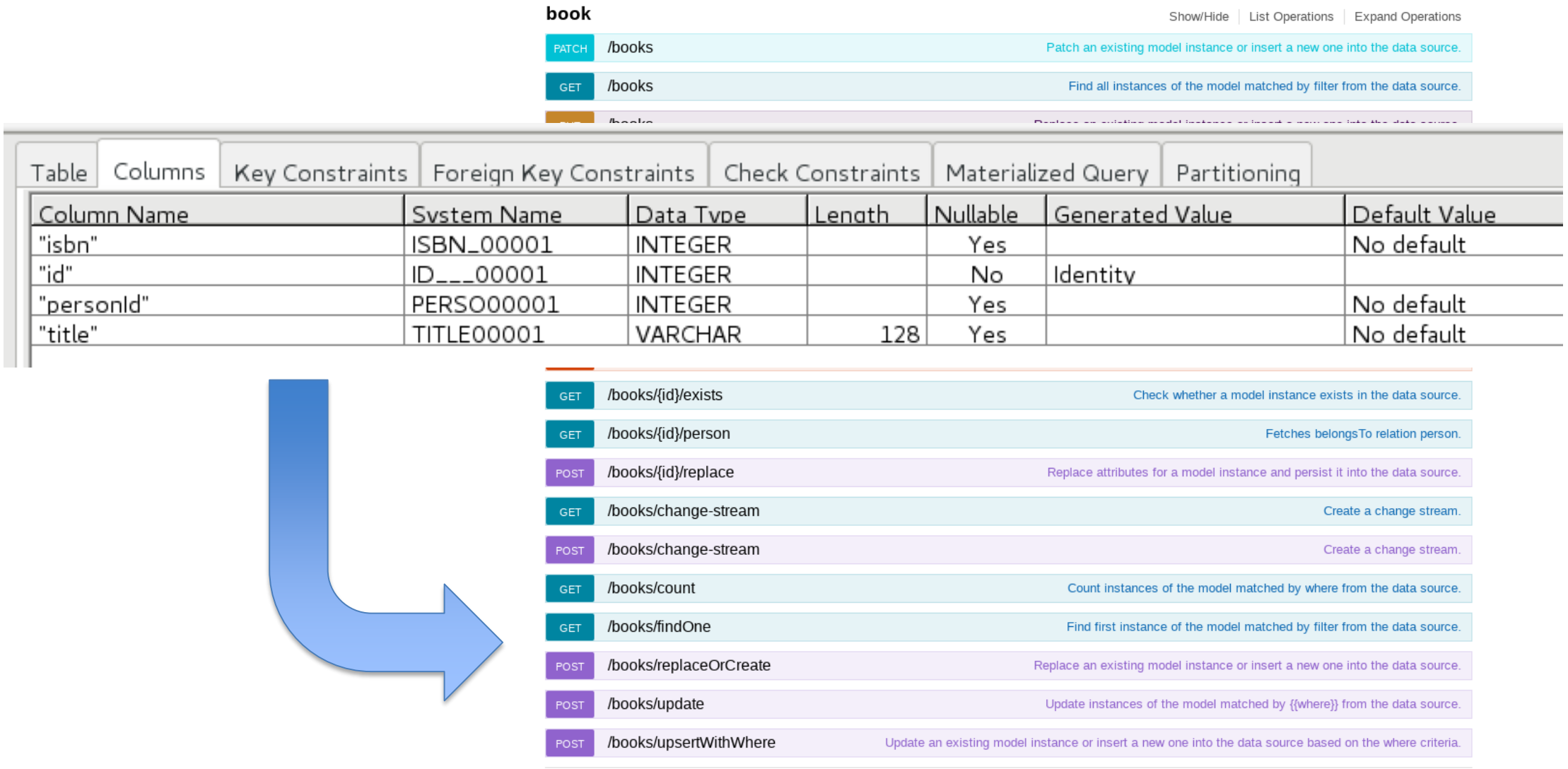
- ILE Object Toolkit
  - Toolkit for each environment to easily allow connections to ILE objects and information



- SQL Connector
  - Easy integrated (from the open source language) way to transfer data to and from DB2 for i leveraging SQL

Loopback support

- Easily create REST APIs with a popular Node.js framework



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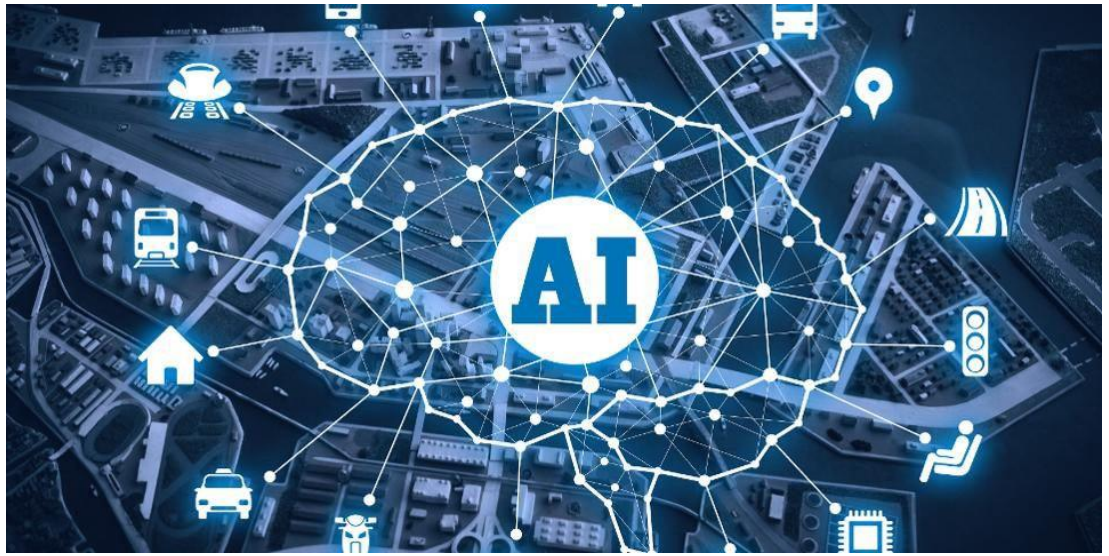
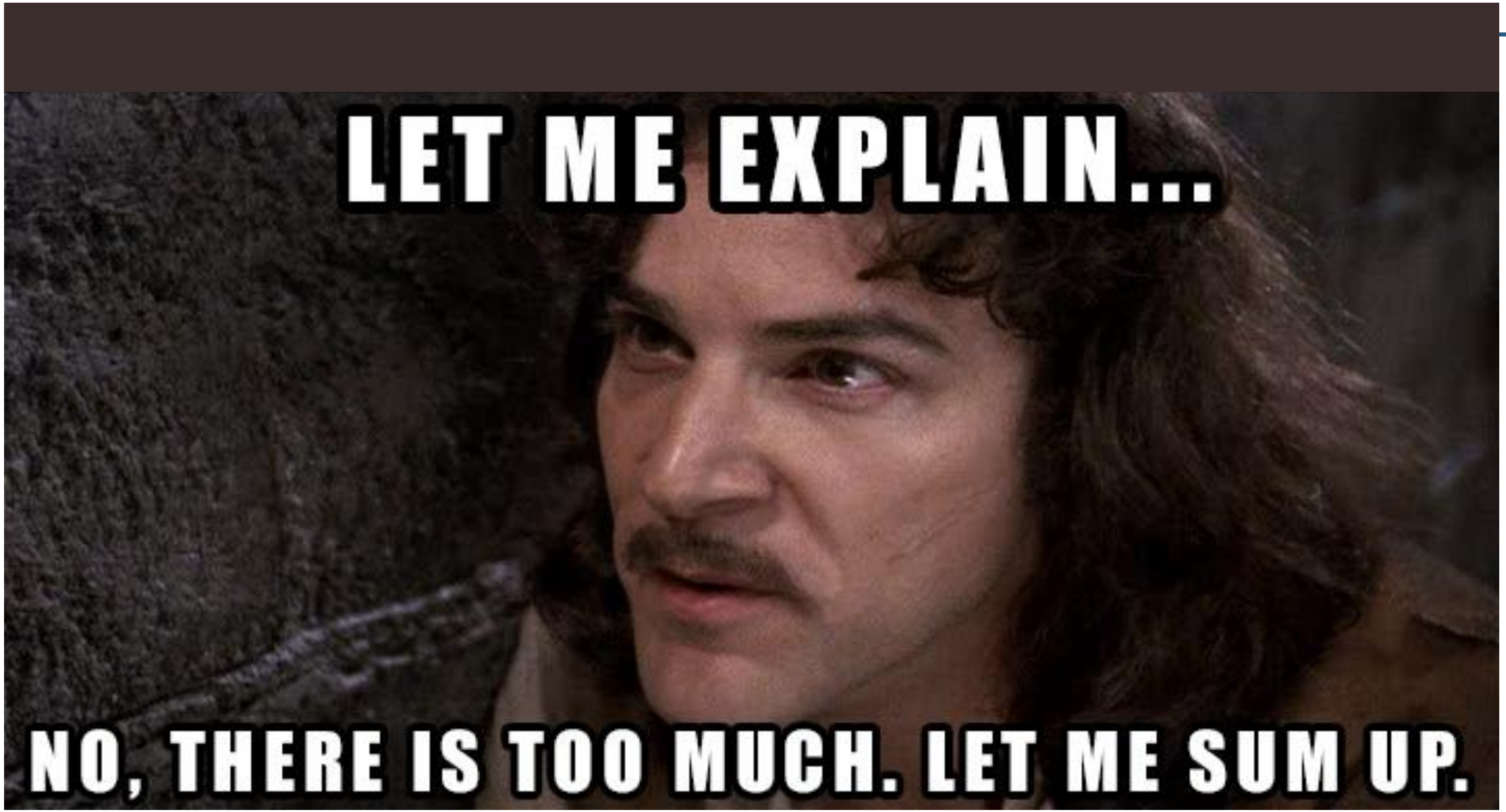




DB2 for i & Single Level Store

Automate & optimize storage management

Object Based Architecture

Enables integrity, security, virus-resistance

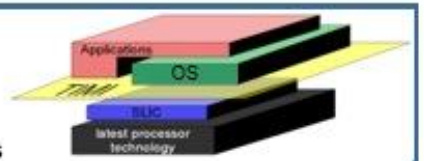
Integration

Integrates business components, e.g. DB2 database

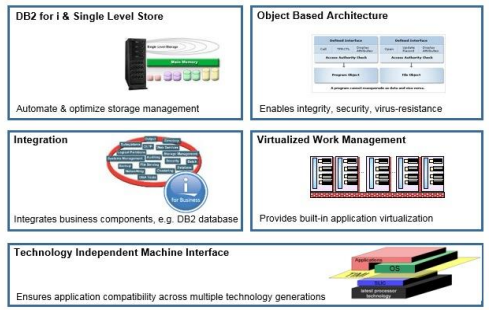
Virtualized Work Management

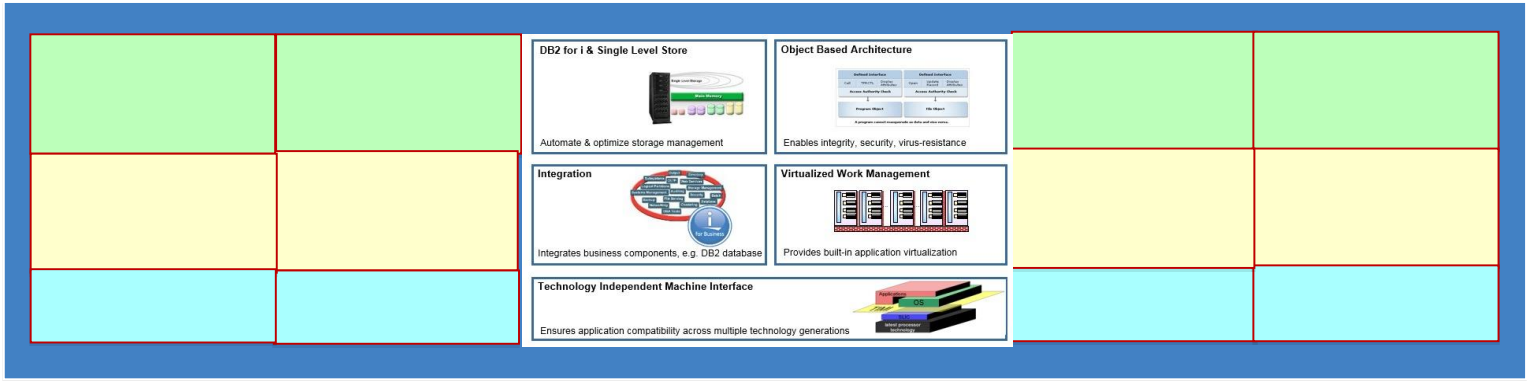
Provides built-in application virtualization

Technology Independent Machine Interface



Ensures application compatibility across multiple technology generations





IBM i - "Technology will change and IBM i is built to change with it"

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