

**Title:**           **Practical Points on  
Simultaneously Leveraging  
and Migrating Image Applications**

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# What We'll Cover Today

- Introduction
- EasyStep Approach
- N-Tier Architecture Design
- Data Access Approach
- Transactionalizing Entity Data
- Case Study
- Questions

# Migration vs. Re-engineering

- Migration – the translation and rehosting of source code and data to run on Unix or other platforms
- Re-engineering – “modernizing” of applications using current technology, including the client-server model, graphical user interface (GUI), web-based, and relational databases

# Migration vs. Re-engineering

Migration:

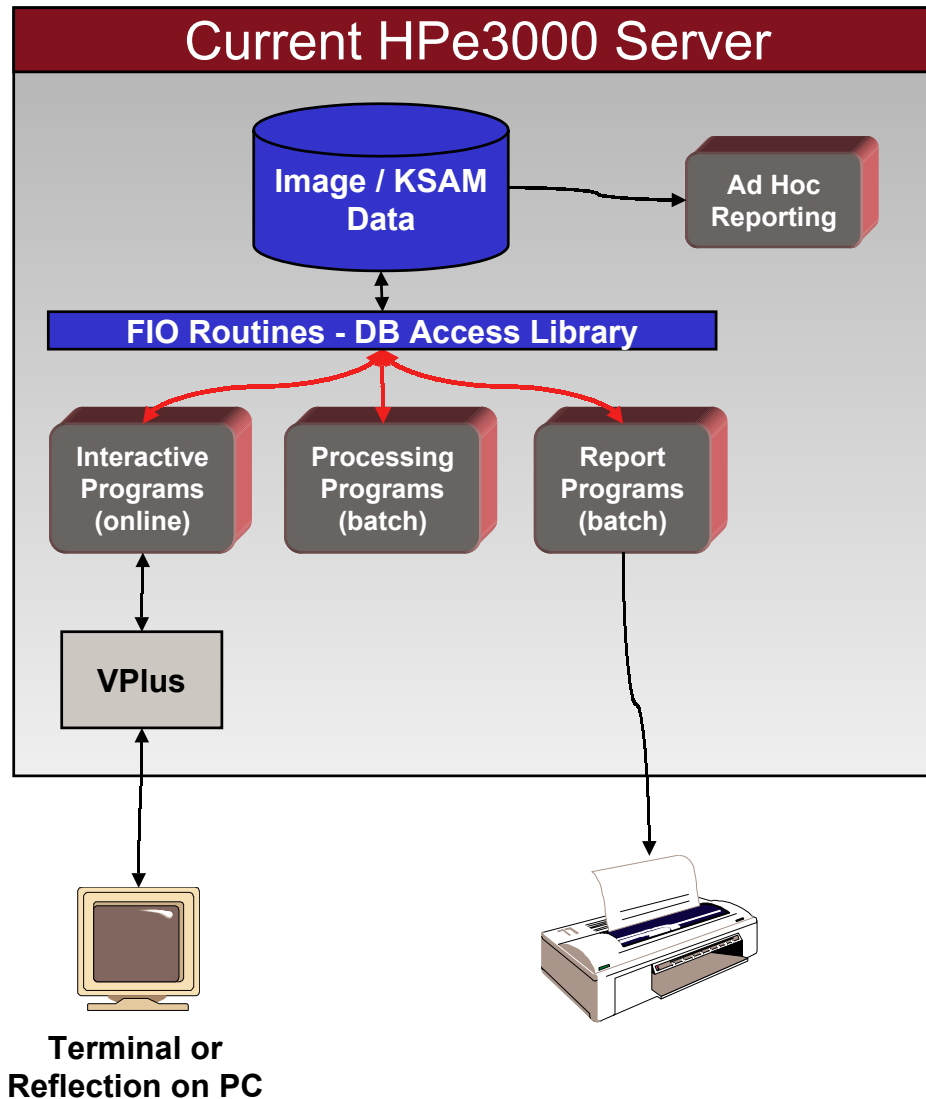
- COBOL reports and batch processes
- Image data

Re-engineering:

- VPLUS screens/applications

# EasyStep Approach – Step 1

## Current Environment

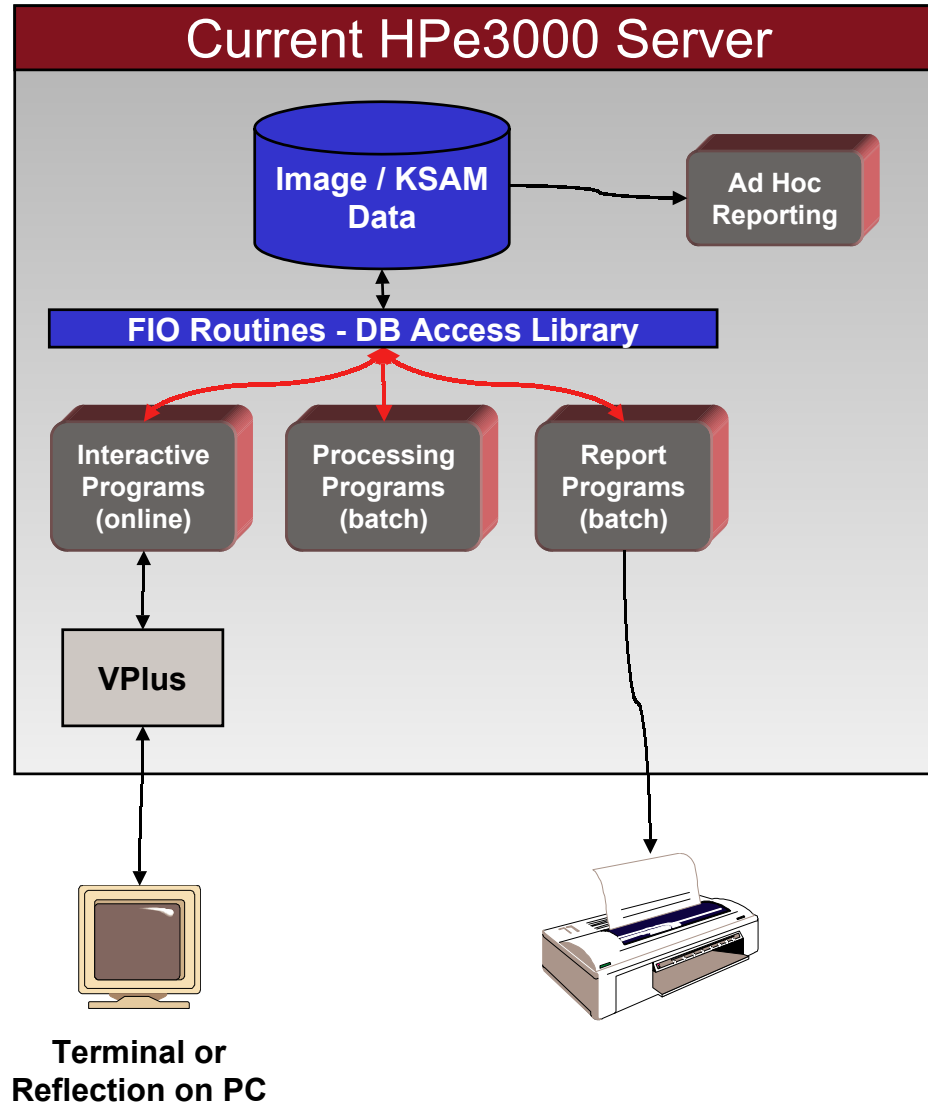


### May Consists of:

- Interactive programs
- Background processes
- Report programs
- Image databases
- KSAM files
- VPLUS screens
- COBOL programs.

# EasyStep Approach – Step 2

## Develop Relational Model

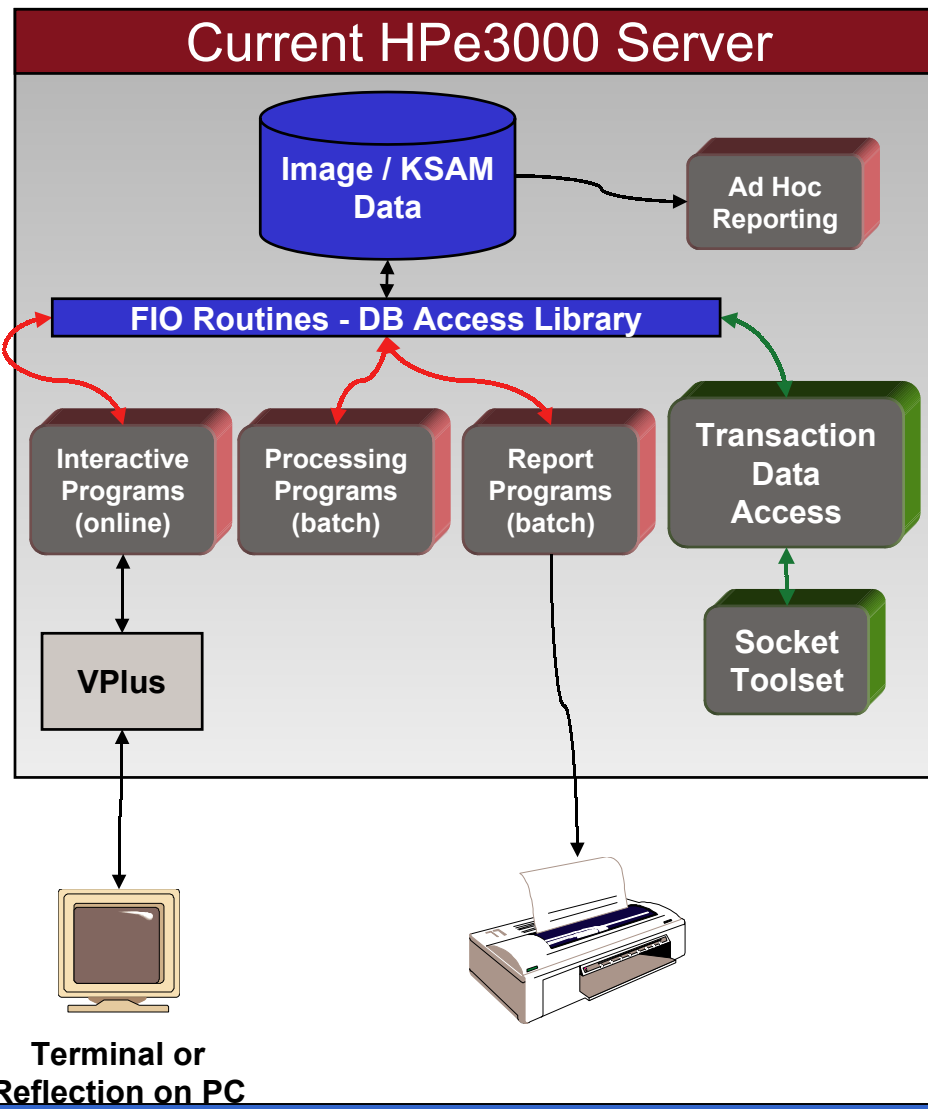


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# EasyStep Approach – Step 3

## Transactionalize HPe3000 Data

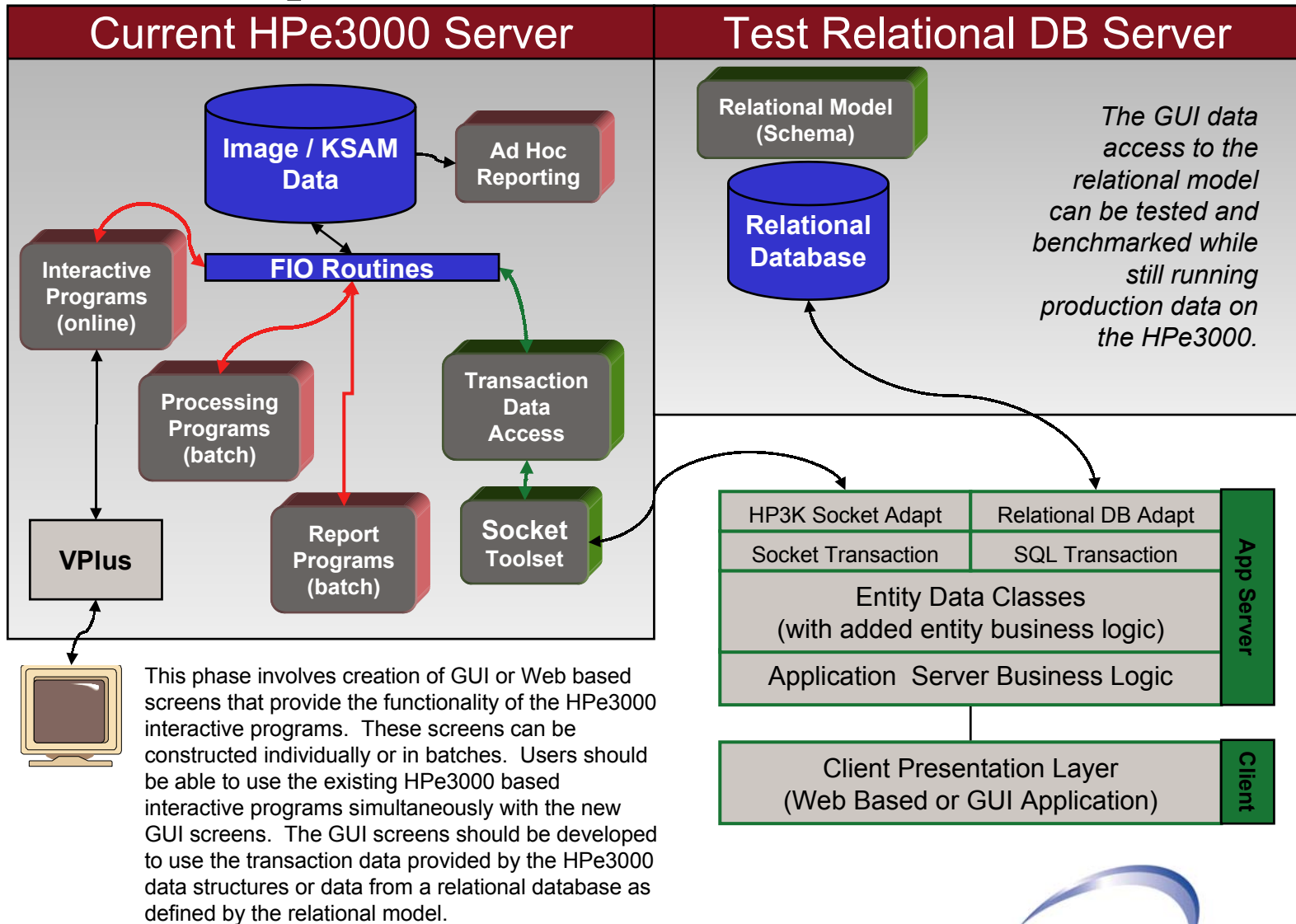


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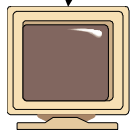
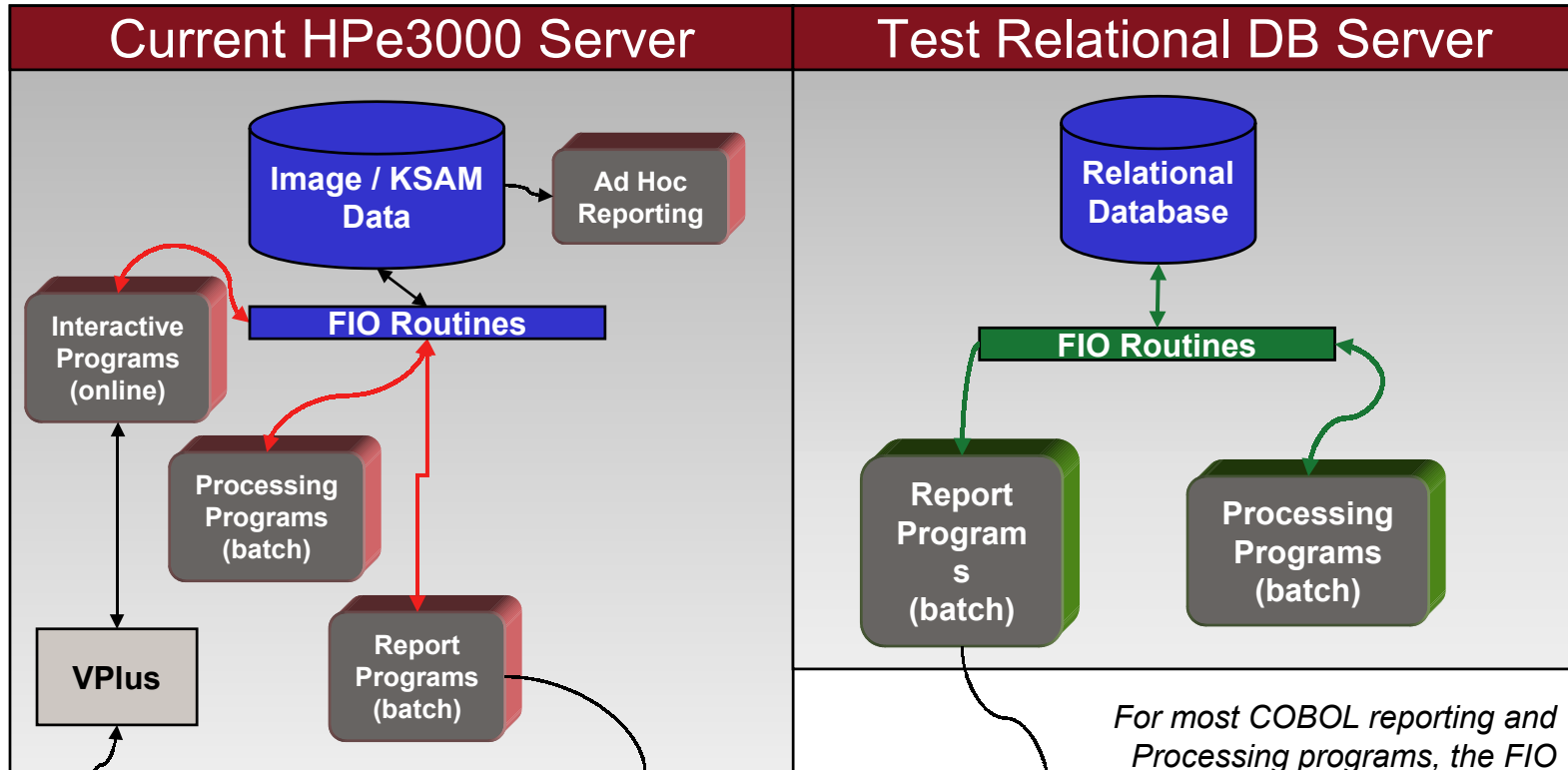
## GUI Development





# EasyStep Approach – Step 5

## Batch Program Development



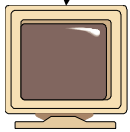
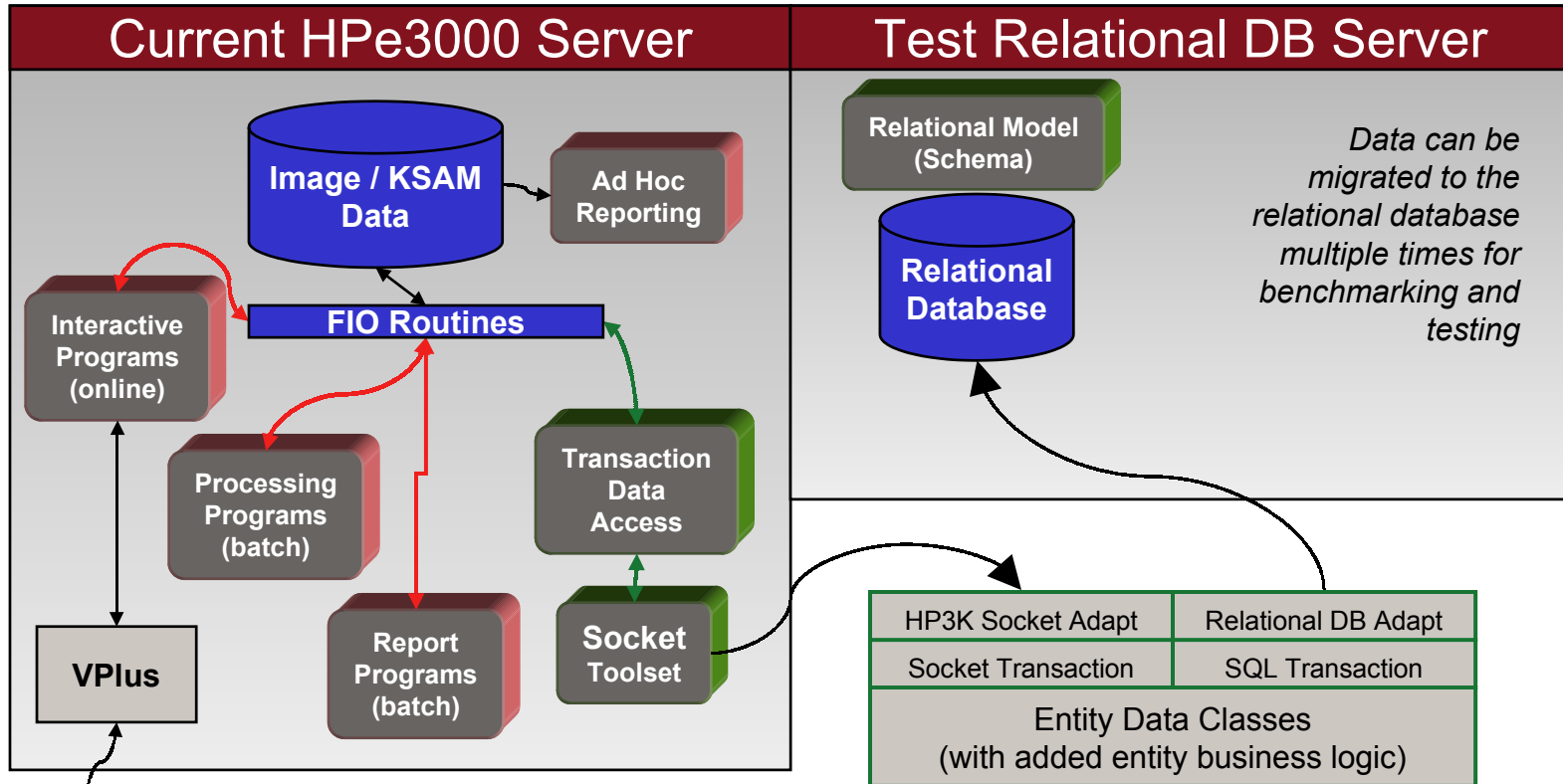
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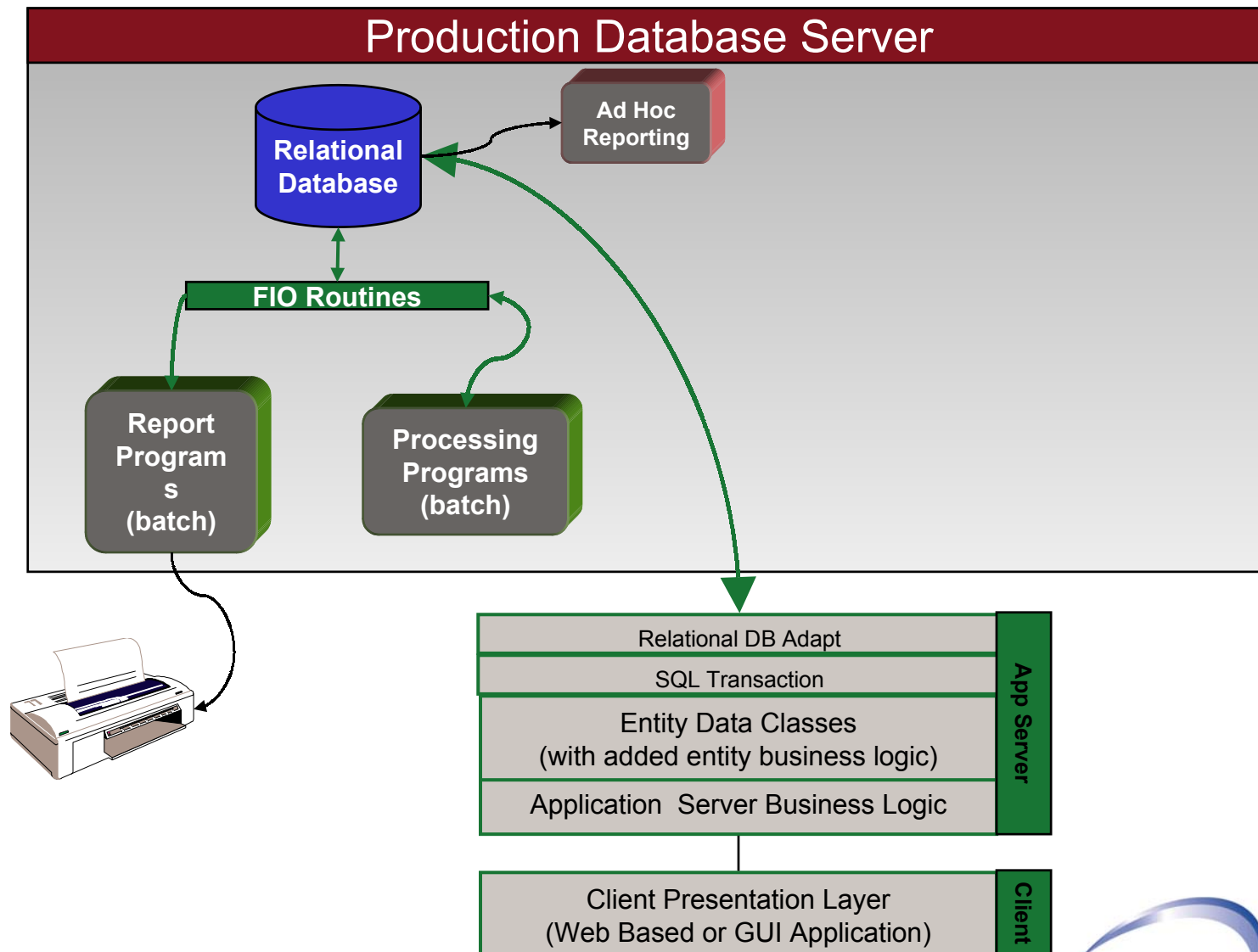
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# EasyStep Approach – Step 7

## Final Solution



# Benefits and Advantages with EasyStep Approach

- Gradual approach is possible
- New GUI screens can be used with current HP e3000 data
- Same screens can access Image data on HP e3000 and new platform (e.g., Oracle data on HP 9000)
- Parallel testing can take place

# N-tier Architecture Design

- “n” represents any number of physical or logical layers
- Each layer is made up of software components that interact with other components within and across layers
- Consists of at least three layers: presentation, business, and data

# N-tier Architecture Design (Cont.)

- Presentation Layer: provides software interface that end user sees
- Business Layer: provides the foundation for components that provide the processing, business rules, validation, data manipulation, data retrieval, error handling, and other core logic that makes the system “smart”
- Data Layer: Provide the storage platform

# Benefits and Advantages with N-tier Architecture

- Scalability – Each component can reside on a separate machine to increase performance
- Flexibility – Components are interchangeable

# Data Access Approach



# Types of Data Processing

## Online Transaction Processing (OLTP)

- High transaction throughput
- Add/change/delete data
- Predefined transactions
- Response times critical

# Types of Data Processing (Cont.)

## Information on Demand - Ad Hoc Reporting

- Inquire and Report data only
- Undefined transactions - different each time
- Response times not as critical

# ODBC Defined

- Open Database Connectivity (ODBC)
- Used for standard access to multiple types of databases (Image, Oracle, etc)
- Allows PC access from applications like Excel to HP e3000 TurboImage data
- Converts SQL/ODBC calls to TurboImage calls
- Good for Ad Hoc Reporting and extracting data to other applications

# Sockets Defined

- Sockets are a method of establishing a connection between different machines and/or operating systems
- Socket ports are similar to phone numbers for a machine
- Uses low level TurboImage native database access routines that are already developed
- Good for high volume OnLine Transaction Processing (OLTP) performance

# ODBC Benchmarks

- Higher HP e3000 CPU usage
- Low concurrency of users, slower response times under load
- Database locking problems with other applications, not controlled by the application

# Socket Technology Benchmarks

- Low HP e3000 CPU usage (similar to current native HP e3000 applications)
- High concurrency of users
- Database locking controlled by the server program on the HP e3000

# Socket Technology Application Goals

- Fastest response on HP3000-based data
- Read and Update ability from the PC application to the HP e3000
- No performance hit to the production HP e3000 environment

# Transactionalize HP e3000 Data



# Socket Communications

- Socket communications are a way to connect different machines without understanding the different network protocols
- All connectivity between machines uses sockets at the low level
- Berkley Software Distribution Interprocess Communications (BSD IPC) is a standard available on almost all machines

# Socket Communications (Cont.)

- Network Interprocess Communications (NetIPC) is similar and compatible to BSD IPC, but has additional functionality on the HP e3000
- Perform system calls to establish connections and transfer data between machines

# Socket Communications (Cont.)

Processes required for socket connections:

- Listener Process (Waits for new connection requests)
- Server Process (Handles requests once connected)
- Client Process (Asks for connection, sends requests, accepts returned data)

# Listener Process

- A background job on the HP e3000 waits for “calls” on a specified port from clients
- Define the port in the services.net.sys file with a port over 20,000
- Once a request is received, create a separate socket connection for the client to use when sending and receiving information across the socket and start an individual server process

# Listener Process Example

MAIN.

PERFORM OPEN-LISTENER.

PERFORM LISTEN-FOR-CONNECTION UNTIL DONE.

OPEN-LISTENER.

CALL INTRINSIC "IPCCREATE" USING SOCKETKIND,  
PROTOCOL, FLAGS, OPT, CALLEDSC, RESULT.

LISTEN-FOR-CONNECTION.

CALL INTRINSIC "IPCRCVCN" USING CALLEDSC,  
VCDESC, FLAGS, \, RESULT.

<<Create and Activate Server Process>>

CALL INTRINSIC "IPCGIVE" USING VCDESC,  
SOCKETNAME, NLEN, FLAGS, RESULT.

# Server Process – HP e3000 Data Layer

- A unique child process is started for each client connection
- All socket communications are handled by the server process
- The server process handles transaction requests and enforces business rules
- Calls sub-routines to handle individual transaction requests

# Server Process Example

MAIN.

```
CALL INTRINSIC "IPCRCV" USING  
IPC-VCDESC, WS-SOCKET-IN,  
IPC-DLEN, IPC-FLAGS, \\  
IPC-RESULT.
```

```
IF TRAN-IN OF WS-SOCKET-IN = "CUSTI"  
CALL "CUSTOMER".
```

```
CALL INTRINSIC "IPCSEND" USING  
IPC-VCDESC, WS-SOCKET-OUT,  
IPC-DLEN, IPC-FLAGS, \\  
IPC-RESULT.
```

# Customer Transaction Example

CUSTOMER.

MOVE CUST-KEY-IN OF WS-SOCKET-IN  
TO SEARCH-KEY.

PERFORM READ-CUSTOMER.

IF NOT CUSTOMER-FOUND

PERFORM SET-READ-ERROR

ELSE

PERFORM LOAD-WS-SOCKET-OUT.



# Presentation Layer

- Microsoft Excel & Visual Basic
- Microsoft Visual FoxPro
- Web Access

# Client Process

- Use BSD IPC to connect to the HP e3000 on the predefined socket port
- Client initiates connection, then is moved to a separate unique socket connection for further transactions
- Each window on a client can have a unique socket connection or share one for the machine

# Microsoft Visual FoxPro

- True Object Oriented Programming
- Using F1 Technologies' Visual Fox Express framework
- Uses C++ DLL for low level socket control

# Visual FoxPro Example

The screenshot shows the 'Socket Cursor Class' dialog box in Visual FoxPro, specifically the '4 - Define Cursor Behavior' step. The dialog is titled 'Socket Cursor Class' and has a close button in the top right corner. The 'Step' dropdown menu is set to '4 - Define Cursor Behavior'. The 'Default Alias' field contains the text 'Customer'. The 'Buffer Mode Override' dropdown menu is set to '3 - Optimistic Row Buffering'. There are two columns of text input fields for transaction codes. The first column includes 'Trans Code Length' (8), 'Add Trans. Code' (CUSTA), 'Delete Trans. Code' (CUSTD), and 'Inquire Trans. Code' (CUSTI). The second column includes 'Update Trans. Code' (CUSTU), 'List Trans. Code' (CUSTL), 'List Next Trans. Code' (CUSTN), and 'Previous Trans. Code' (CUSTP). At the bottom, there are four navigation buttons (back, forward, home, end) and two main action buttons: 'Finish...' and 'Cancel'.

Field	Value
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# Visual FoxPro Example (Cont.)

**Customer Maintenance**

Customer No. 100

Name Sunnyside Furniture

Address1 10736 Solar Blvd.

Address2 po box 123

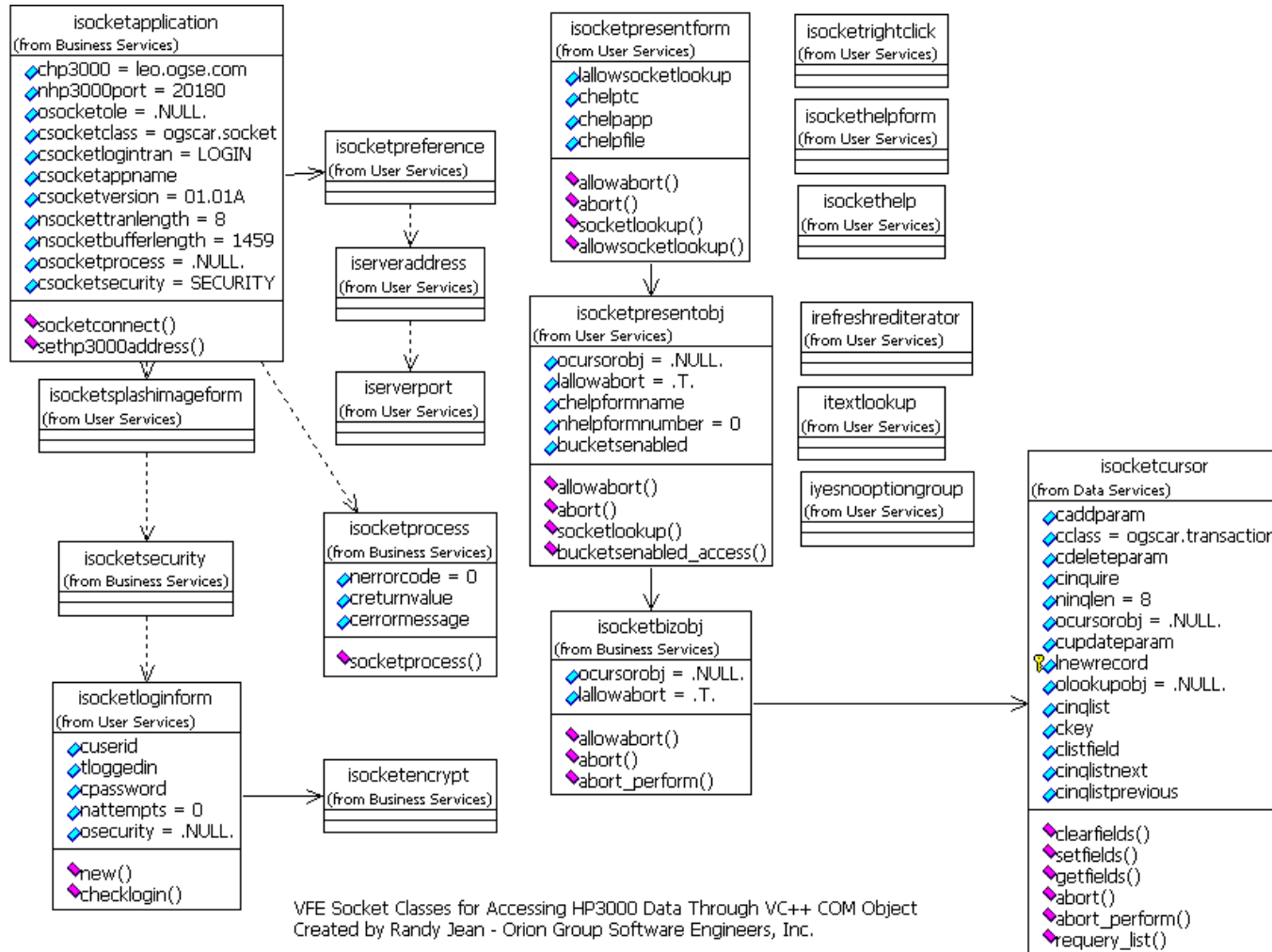
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Country U.S.A.

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Territory	XX	Ship Via	F Federal Express
Frt Pmt Cd	Prepaid	Tax Code	NY NEW YORK STATE SALES TAX
Partial Ship?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Sales Rep No	500 Norm Z. Goldstein
Finance Chg?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	A/R Account	FURNITUR-00100060-01000000 Accounts Receivable - West
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# Visual FoxPro Example (Cont.)

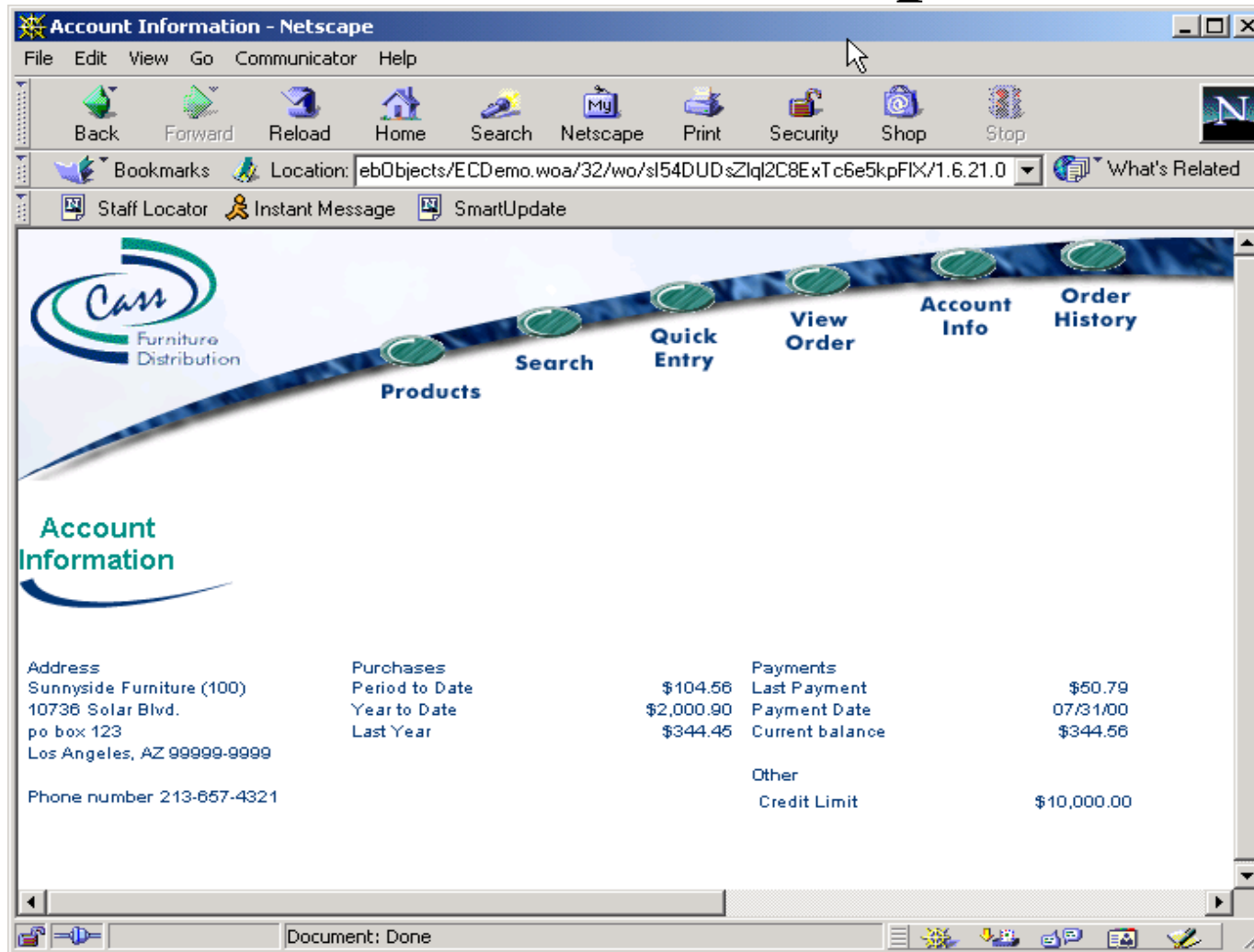


VFE Socket Classes for Accessing HP3000 Data Through VC++ COM Object  
Created by Randy Jean - Orion Group Software Engineers, Inc.

# Web Access

- The transactions created on the HP e3000 can also be used to create web applications
- Works with HTML, Active Server Pages, Web Objects, etc.
- Orion Group has created socket frameworks in Java and C++ to aide in application development

# Web Access Example





# Case Study

# Proof-Of-Concept Project

Scope:

- Migrate a subset of Image datasets to Oracle tables
- Migrate one COBOL batch program
- Re-engineer one screen [create a GUI and a Web application]

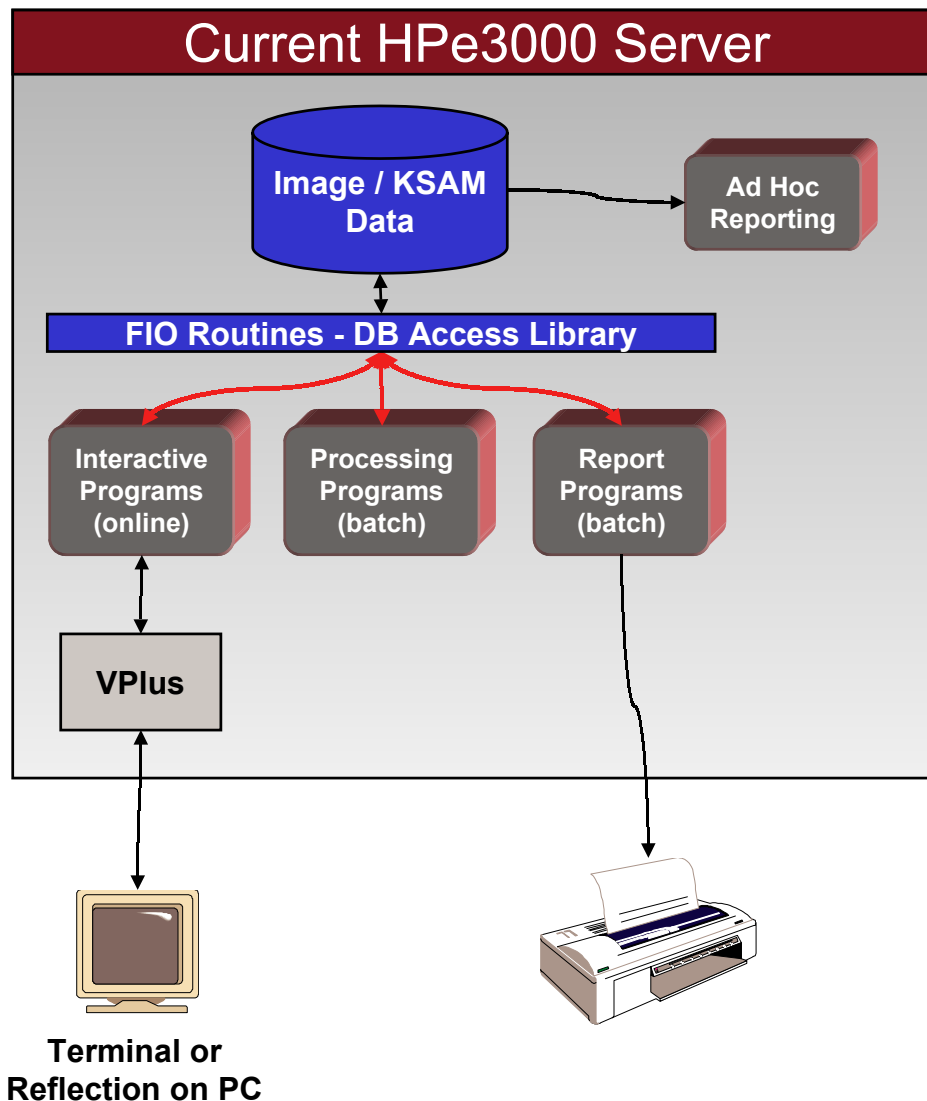
# Proof-Of-Concept Project

Purpose:

- Determine technical issues related to migration of data and COBOL programs
- Help client determine online development tool (Visual FoxPro or WebObjects)
- Develop “framework” for migration projects to increase efficiency and productivity while decreasing cost

# EasyStep Approach – Step 1

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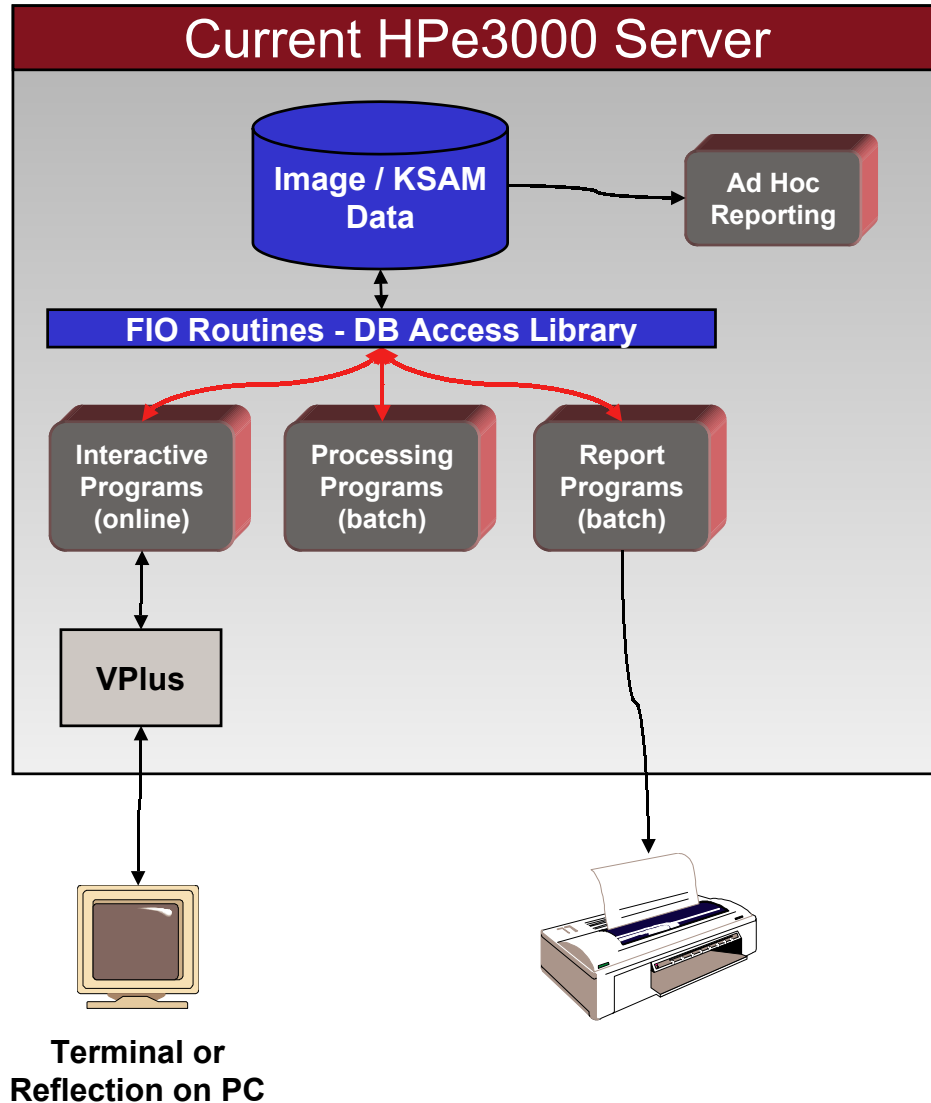
# EasyStep Approach – Step 1

## Current Environment

- Interactive programs developed in Pascal and COBOL
- Background processes developed in COBOL
- Report programs developed in COBOL
- FIO routines developed in Pascal
- Multiple Image Databases
- Vplus User Interface

# EasyStep Approach – Step 2

## Develop Relational Model



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# Data Mapping Issues:

- Data buffer should be all ascii data
- Where appropriate, format data in data buffer (e.g., 23.99, 01/05/2002, (574)233-3401, etc.)
- Where possible, keep HP e3000 socket data buffers and relational database tables consistent
- Where necessary, include unique key [to make relational database tables more efficient]

# EasyStep Approach – Step 2

## Develop Relational Model

Image (Patient, Manual Master)   Oracle (Patient table)

PATIENT-ID, I2  
PATIENT-NO, X10  
DOCTOR-ID, I2  
GUARANTOR-ID, I2  
HICDA-ID, I2  
BED, X2  
BIRTHD, I2  
CLRKID, X8  
COMENT, X60  
DOCTR2 ,I2  
DOCTR3, I2  
DOCTR4, I2  
LMPDATE, J2  
ENTER-DATE, J2  
FLAGS, X10

HICDA1-ID, I2  
AUTHORIZATION-NO, X10  
DATE-LAST-ACTIVE, J2  
DATE-LAST-MERGED, J2  
NAME1, X30  
PDOA, J2  
PDOD, J2  
ROOM, X4  
SERIES, I1  
SOFDATE, J2  
HNA-LOCTN, X4  
ADRES1, X34  
ADRES2, X34  
CTYST, X34  
PHONE, P12  
ZIP, X10  
INS-MEMBER-NO, X6  
HICDA2-ID, I2  
HICDA3-ID, I2

PATIENTID, Number (9)  
PATIENTNO, Char (10)  
DOCTORID, Number (9)  
GUARANTORID, Number (9)  
HICDAID, Number (9)  
BED, Char (2)  
BIRTHD, Date  
CLRKID, Char (8)  
COMENT, Char (60)  
DOCTR2 , Number (9)  
DOCTR3, Number (9)  
DOCTR4, Number (9)  
LMPDATE, Date  
ENTERDATE, Date  
EMPLSTATUS, ISOLATION, MARITALSTATUS, PSEX, PTYPE,  
RACE, REL, SOFCR, STUDENTSTATUS, FREE Char (1) each  
HICDA1ID, Number (9)  
AUTHORIZATIONNO, Char (10)  
DATELASTACTIVE, Date  
DATELASTMERGED, Date  
NAME1, Char (30)  
PDOA, Date  
PDOD, Date  
ROOM, Char (4)  
SERIES, Number (4)  
SOFDATE, Date  
HNALOCTN, Char (4)  
ADRES1, Char (34)  
ADRES2, Char (34)  
CTYST, Char (34)  
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HICDA2ID, Number (9)  
HICDA3ID, Number (9)

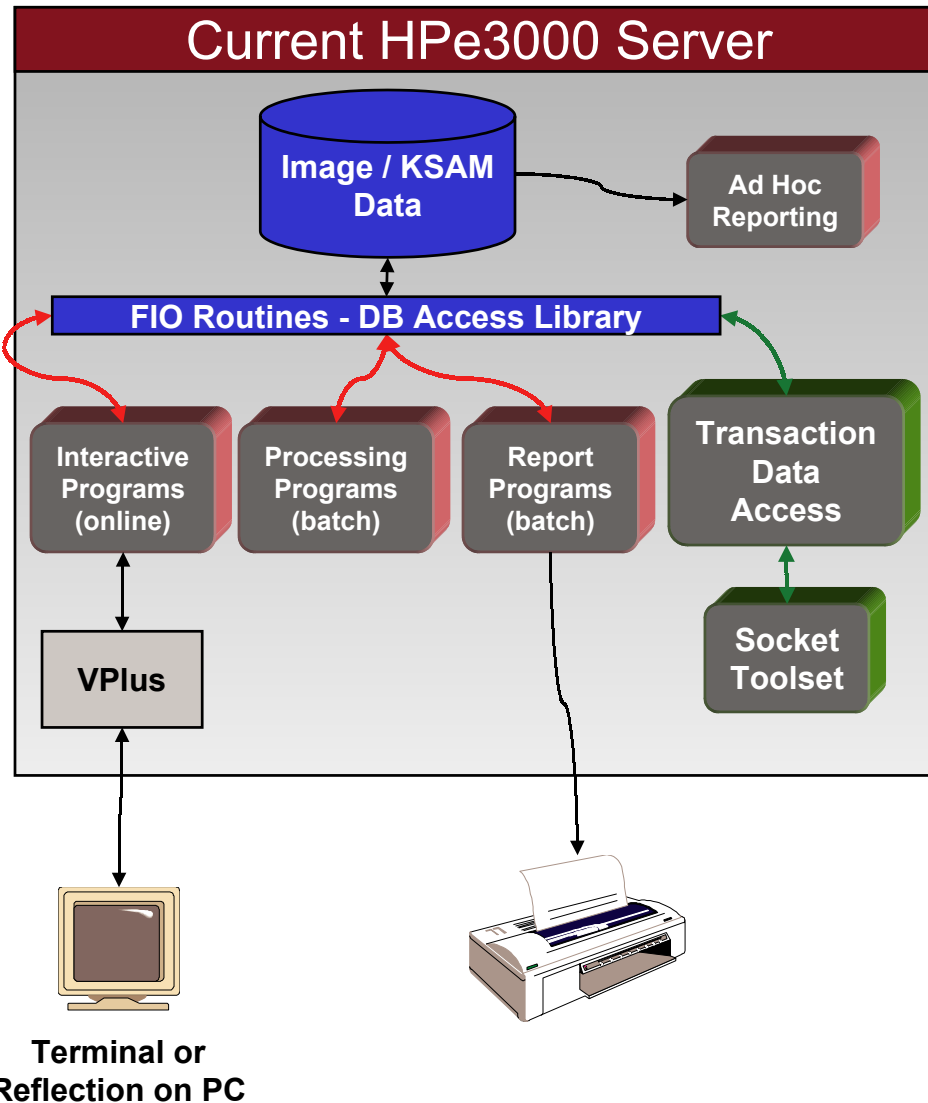


# Patient Data Buffer:

PATIENTID	X9	INSMEMBERNO	X6
PATIENTNO	X10	HICDA2ID	X9
DOCTORID	X9	HICDA3ID	X9
GUARANTORID	X9		
HICDAID	X9		
BED	X2		
BIRTHD	XX/XX/XXXX		
CLRKID	X8		
COMENT	X60		
DOCTR2	X9		
DOCTR3	X9		
DOCTR4	X9		
LMPDATE	XX/XX/XXXX		
ENTERDATE	XX/XX/XXXX		
EMPLSTATUS	X1		
ISOLATION	X1		
MARITALSTATUS	X1		
PSEX	X1		
PTYPE	X1		
RACE	X1		
REL	X1		
SOFCR	X1		
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# EasyStep Approach – Step 3

## Transactionalize HPe3000 Data



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## Transactionalize HPe3000 Data –Patient Transaction

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TO SEARCH-KEY.

PERFORM READ-PATIENT.

IF NOT PATIENT-FOUND

PERFORM SET-READ-ERROR

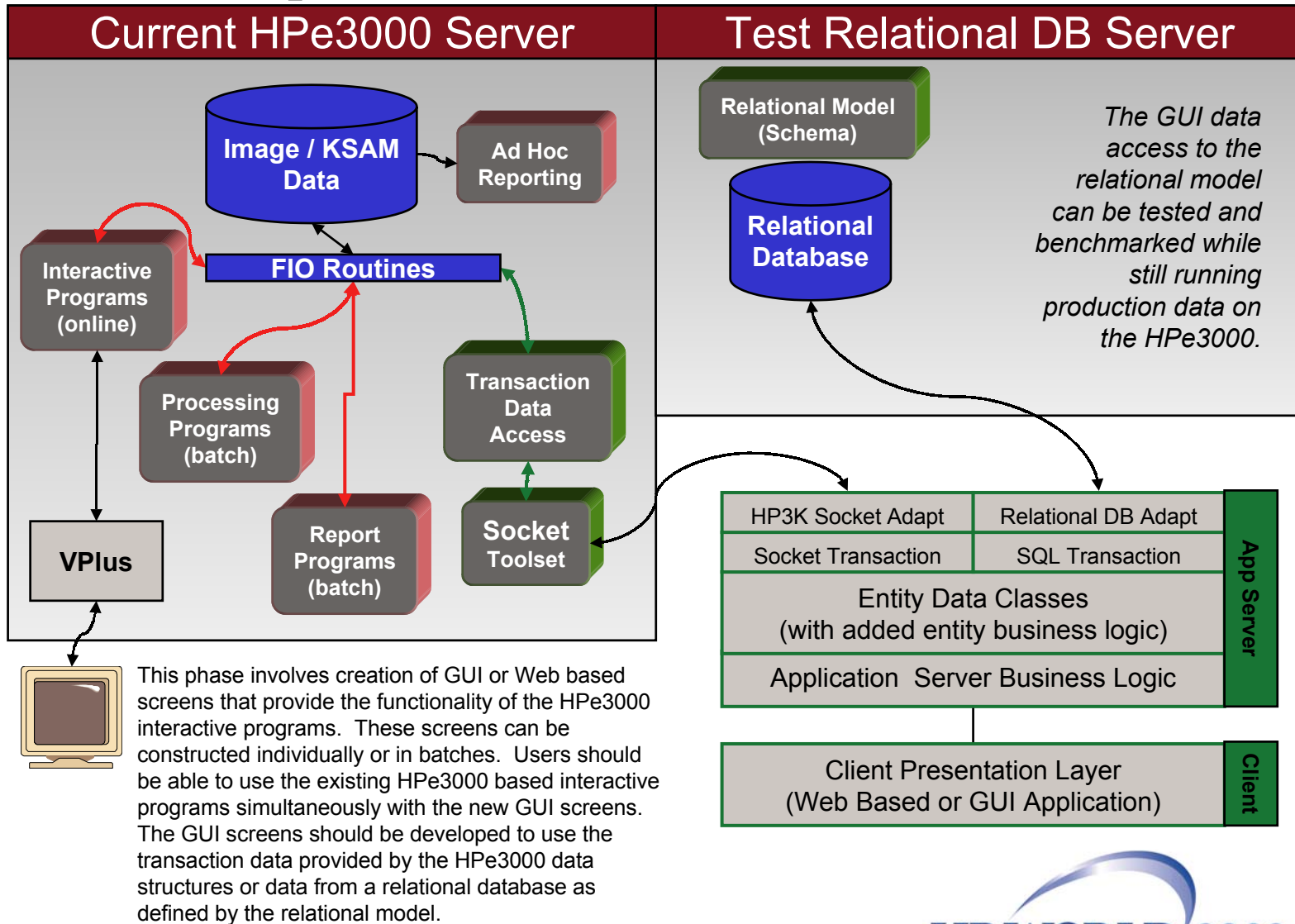
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PERFORM LOAD-WS-SOCKET-OUT.

\*WS-SOCKET-OUT matches Patient Data Buffer

# EasyStep Approach – Step 4

## GUI Development



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## GUI Development – Visual FoxPro

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Buffer Mode Override:

Trans Code Length:

Add Trans. Code:

Delete Trans. Code:

Inquire Trans. Code:

Update Trans. Code:

List Trans. Code:

List Next Trans. Code:

Previous Trans. Code:


Navigation buttons:


Finish...

# EasyStep Approach – Step 4

## GUI Development – Visual FoxPro (Continued)

**Patient Profile**

Patient#   OTHER/UNK

Name  Sex  Race   DOB  Age

Authorz#  Status: Marital  Student  Employment  Entered

Address  Rm-Bd

City, St

Zip  Phone

L	Active	<input type="text" value="05/16/2001"/>
A	Series	<input type="text" value="2"/>
S	Mod By	<input type="text" value="MGR"/>
T	Merged	<input type="text" value="//"/>

Inpatient Services: Admission Date  Discharge

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Billing Information

Guarantor#  PA's Relationship to GU

Name  PA SOF?   GU SOF?

Attn  Mbr#  Insur:

Additional Info  Autho

# EasyStep Approach – Step 4

## GUI Development – Visual FoxPro (Continued)

### Image data access:

- Uses VFP tables to parse data buffers
- Application, cursor, business, presentation, and form classes based on custom “iSocket” classes

### Oracle data access:

- Uses remote SQL views
- Application, cursor, business, presentation, and form classes based on standard Visual FoxPro classes

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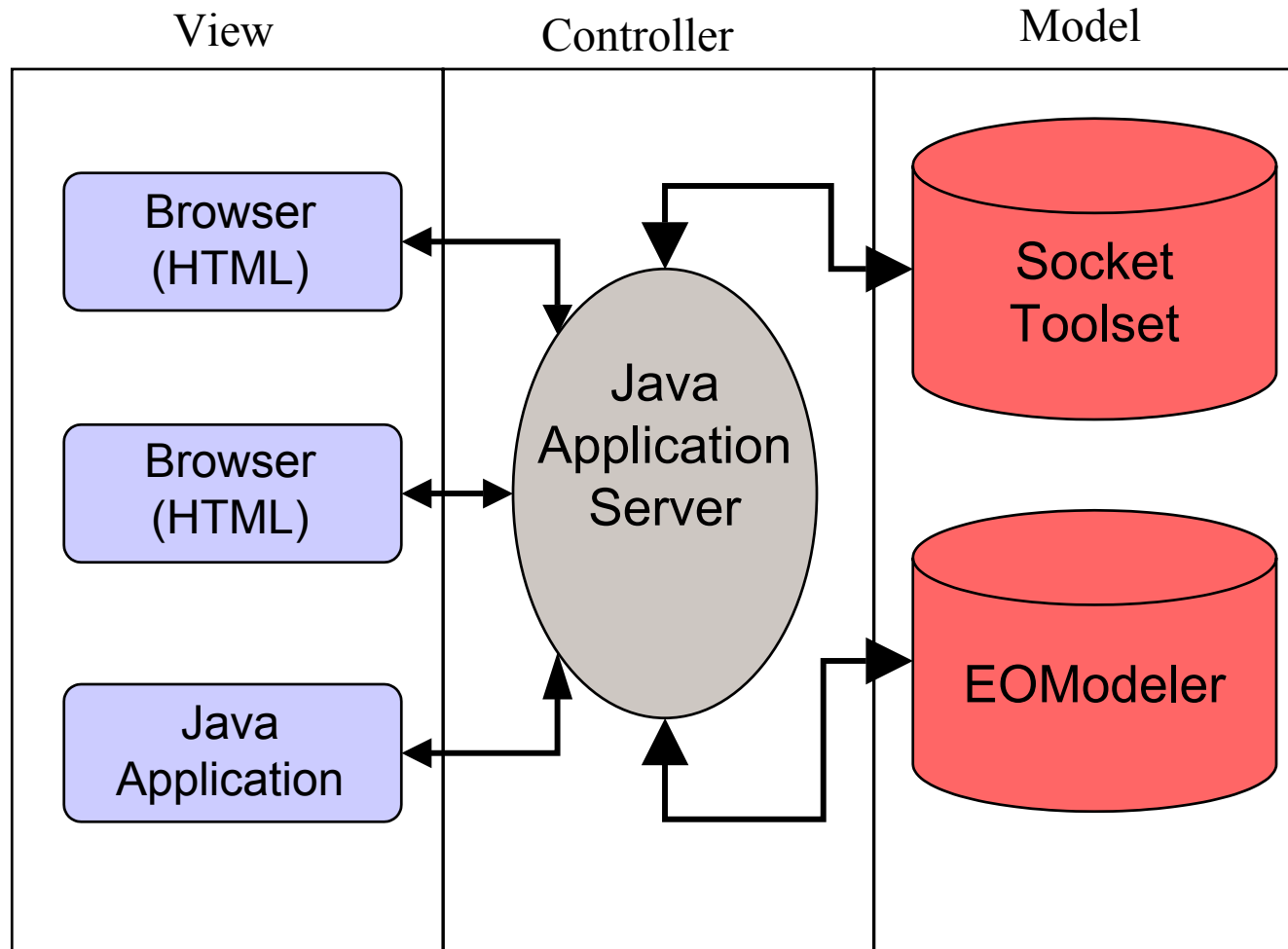
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### WebObjects Demo



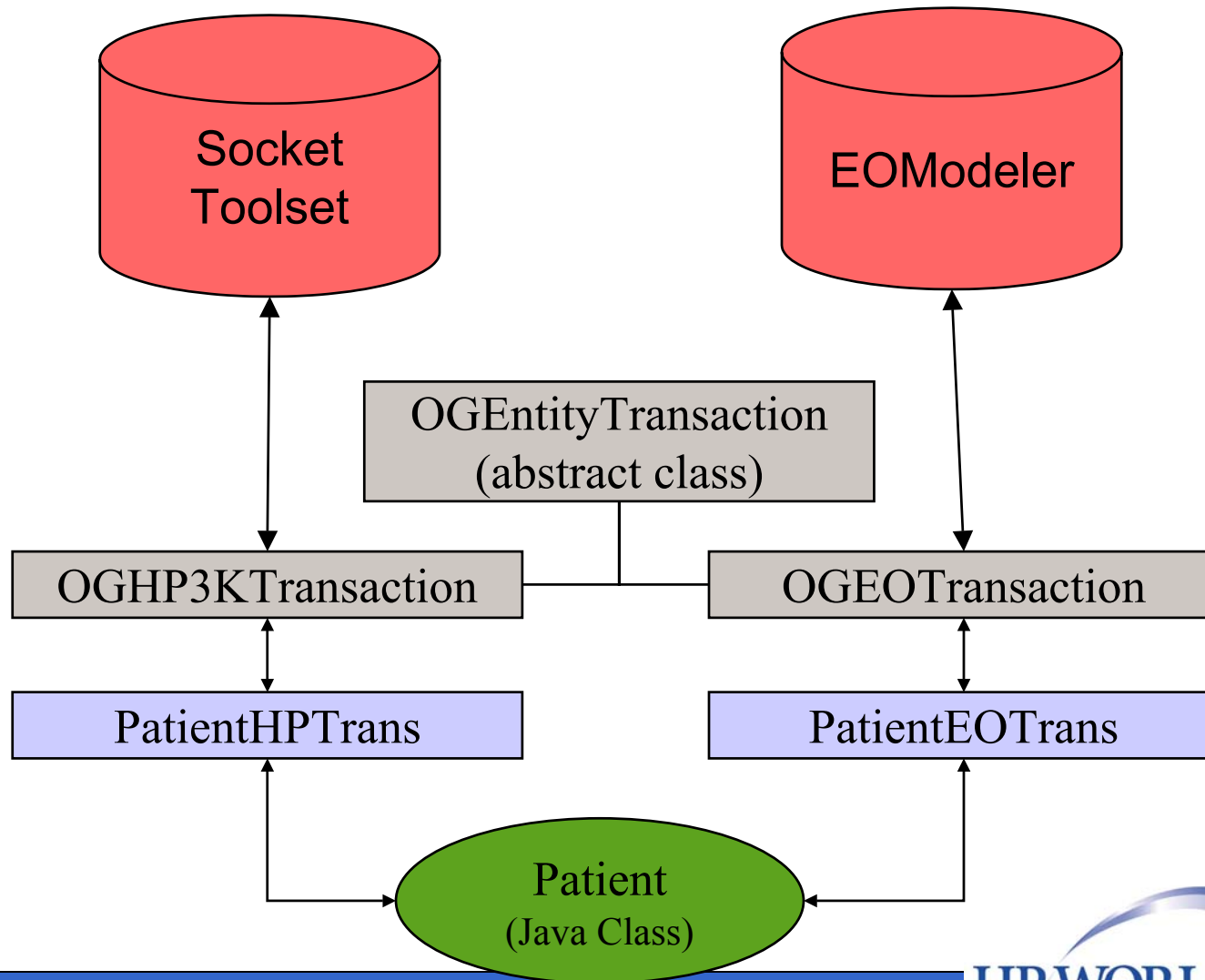
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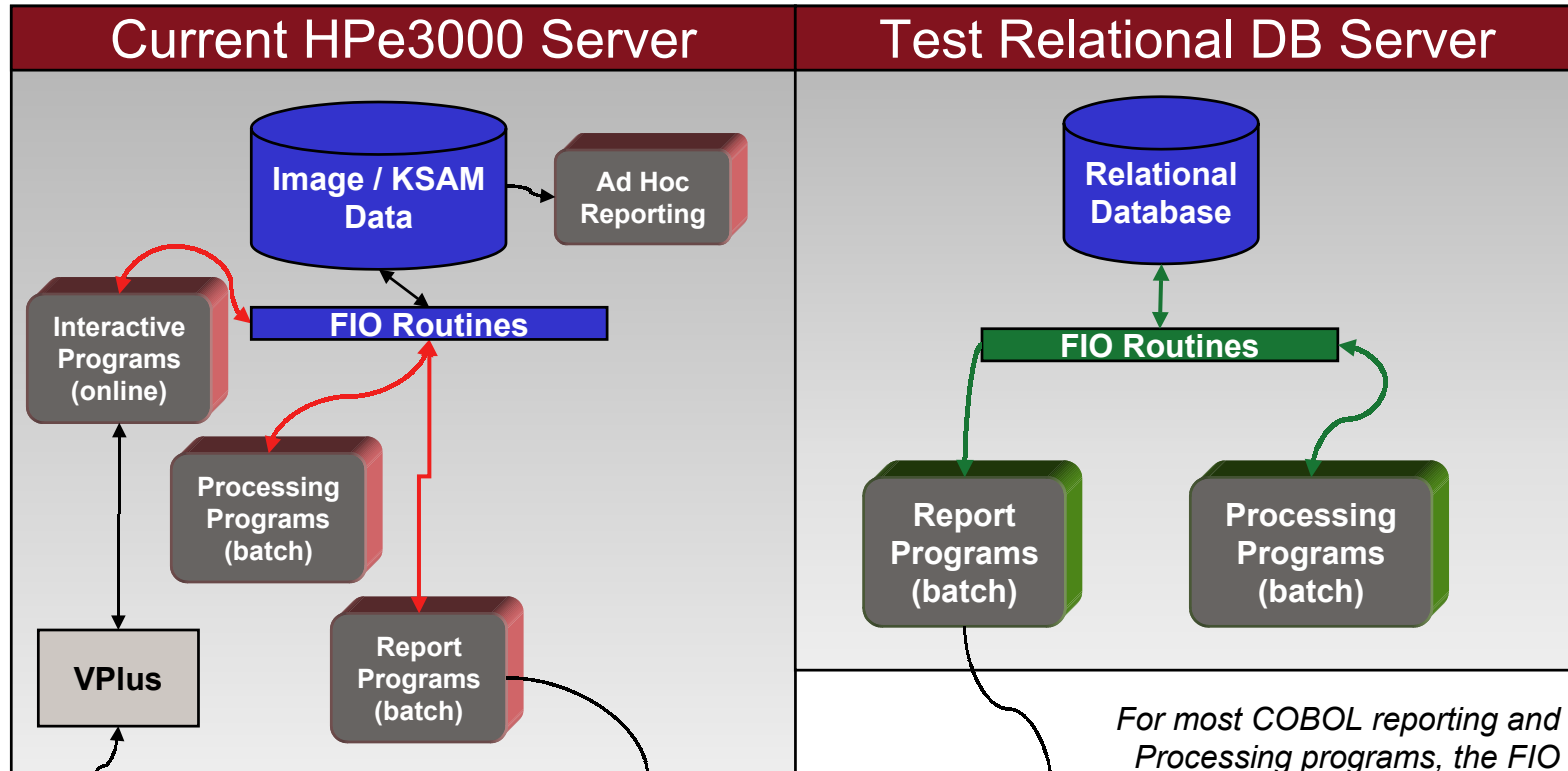
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## Batch Program Development - Options

- Third-party conversion/translator tools
- Migrate using compiler on target platform

# **EasyStep Approach – Step 5**

**Batch Program Development –**

**Using RMCOBOL & ODBC access to Oracle**

Replace FIO routines calls with calls to COBOL subroutines containing SQL calls to access Oracle data on HP9000

# EasyStep Approach – Step 5

## Batch Program Development – FIO high level

[At high level keep same parameter list to minimize changes]

Image:

```
CALL "PATIENT_READ" USING ARDB-LINK, @SEARCH-  
KEY-FIELD, @SEARCH-STRING, @READ-METHOD,  
@LOCK-METHOD, @RECORD-BUF GIVING  
FIO-STATUS.
```

SQL:

```
CALL "PATIENTR" USING ARDB-LINK, SEARCH-KEY-  
FIELD, SEARCH-STRING, READ-METHOD, LOCK-  
METHOD, RECORD-BUF GIVING FIO-STATUS.
```

# EasyStep Approach – Step 5

## Batch Program Development – FIO low level

Image:

DBGET (base, dataset, mode, status, list, databuffer,  
argument)

SQL:

SQL PREPARE QUERY sql-QueryHandle,  
sql-ConnectionHandle, sql-QrySQL

SQL START QUERY sql-QueryHandle

SQL FETCH ROW sql-QueryHandle

SQL GET DATA sql-QueryHandle, <<field parm list>>

\* sql-QrySQL contains select command (e.g., select \* from PATIENT  
where PATIENTNO = search-string)

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Batch Program Development –

Using ProCOBOL & native Oracle access

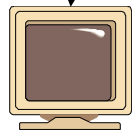
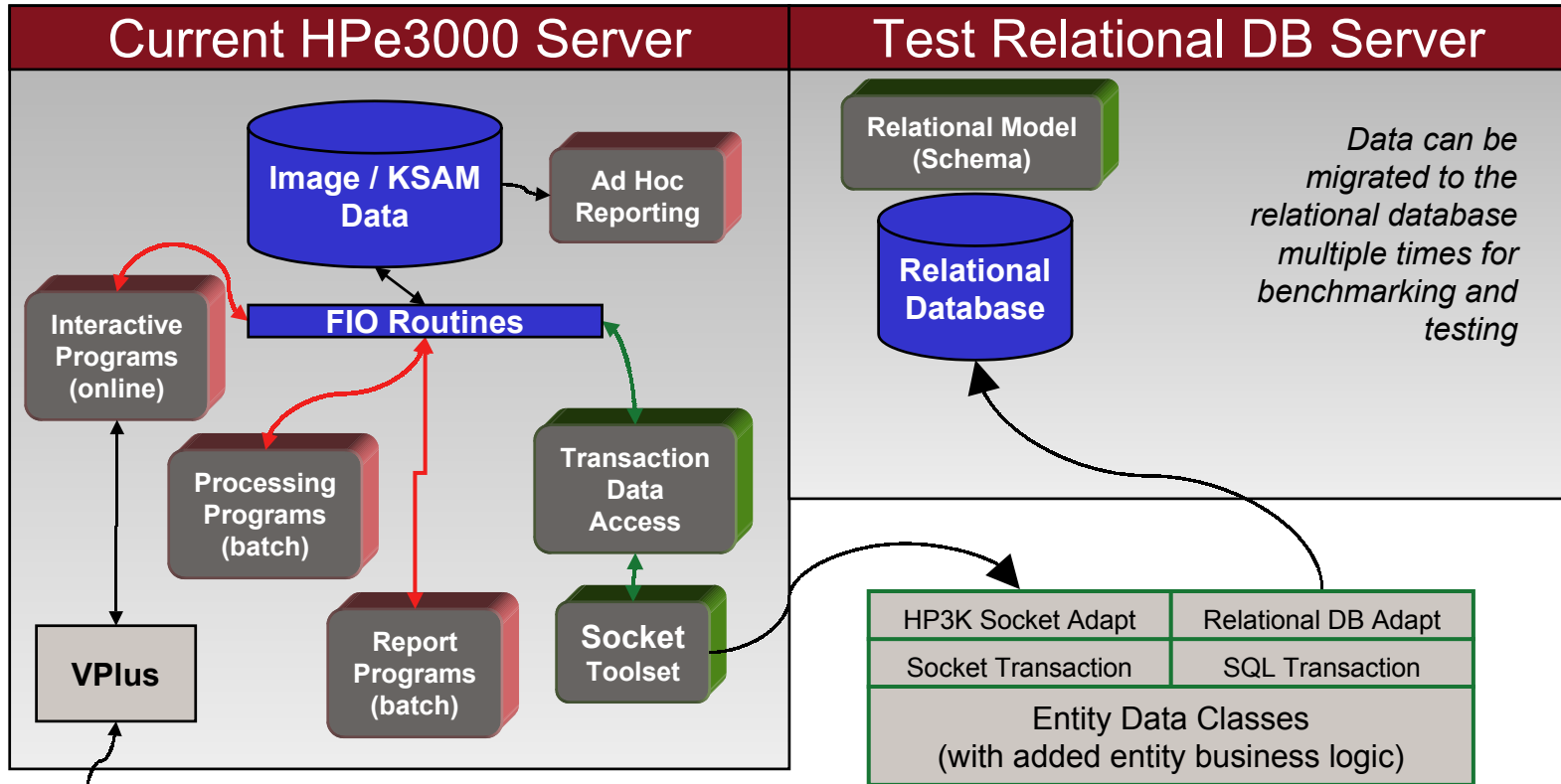
ORACLE's precompiler for COBOL –

- Accepts source program as input
- Translates the embedded SQL statements into standard Oracle runtime library calls
- Generates a modified source program that can be compiled, linked, and executed in the usual way.



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## Data Migration (Conversion)



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## Data Migration (Conversion)

- Use RDBMS tool(s) to create relational database
- Use data access transactions developed in steps 3 and 4 to transfer data from Image to relational database

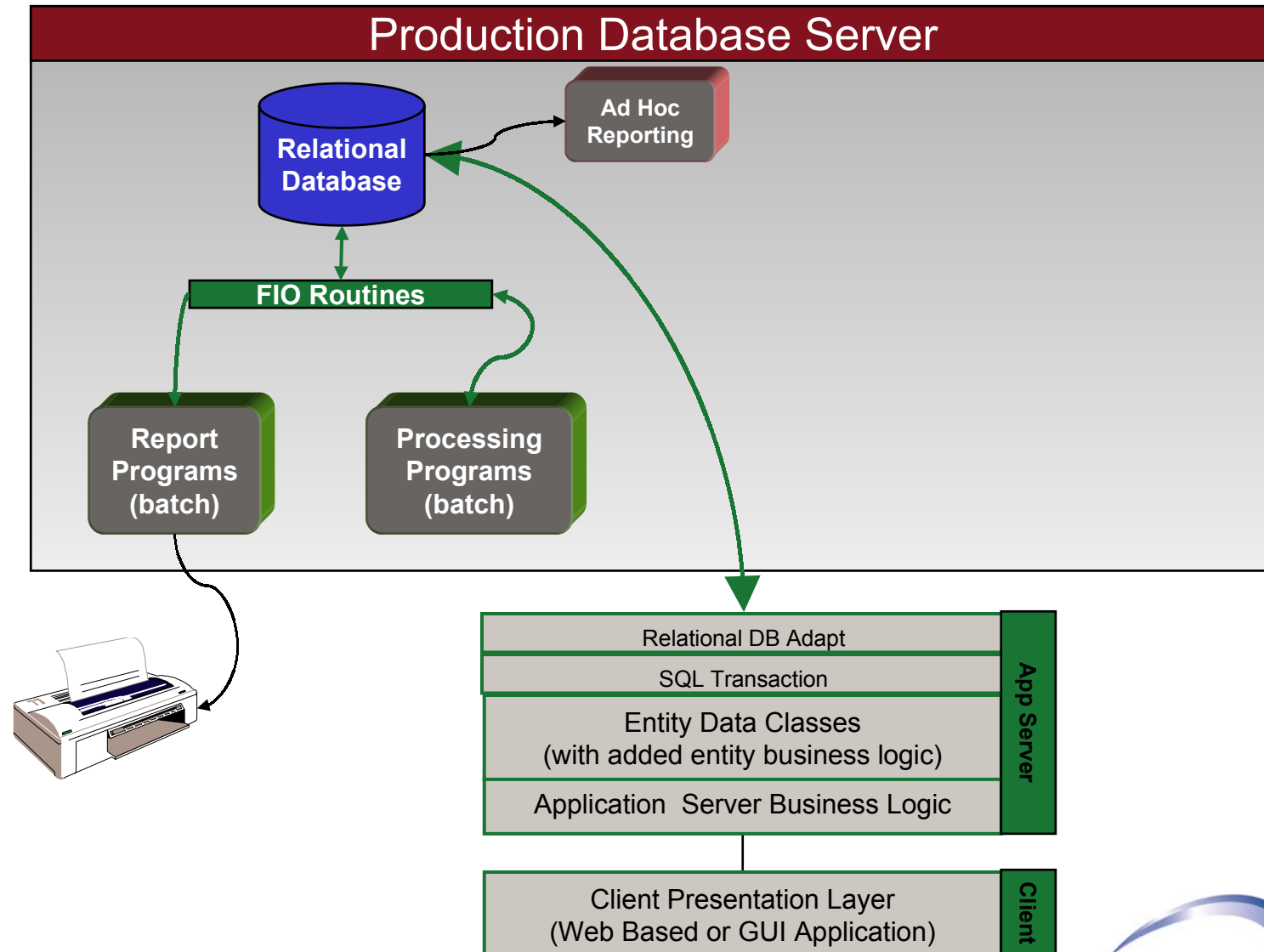
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## Data Migration (Conversion)

- WebObjects EOModeler (Enterprise Object Modeler) to create Oracle table structures based on the relational data model
- Visual FoxPro to transfer data to Oracle [“loop” to read Image data on HP e3000 and write to Oracle database on HP9000 until all entries are read]

# EasyStep Approach – Step 7

## Final Solution



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## Final Solution

- Interactive programs developed in Visual FoxPro and/or WebObjects
- Batch processes developed in COBOL
- Multiple Oracle Tables
- GUI User Interface

**Questions?**

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