Live Migration Demonstration: Turbolmage to RDBMS

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Agenda

- Subject overview
- DB migrations 101:
 - Planning and implementation
- Live demo
- Questions



Database Migration

Overview



Database migration

- HP e3000 Databases
 - Turbolmage
 - Omnidex, Superdex, TPI, others
 - Allbase
 - KSAM
 - Flat (circular, msg, RIO, etc.)



Overview

- Most popular databases used on HP e3000 do not exist on Unix or Windows
- Migration really means conversion
- Years of experience to learn from



Turbolmage overview

- History
- Strengths
- Weaknesses
- Unique features
 - Datasets and Items
 - Master/Detail
 - Keys
 - Chain read
 - Migrating secondaries, etc.
- 3rd party Indexing

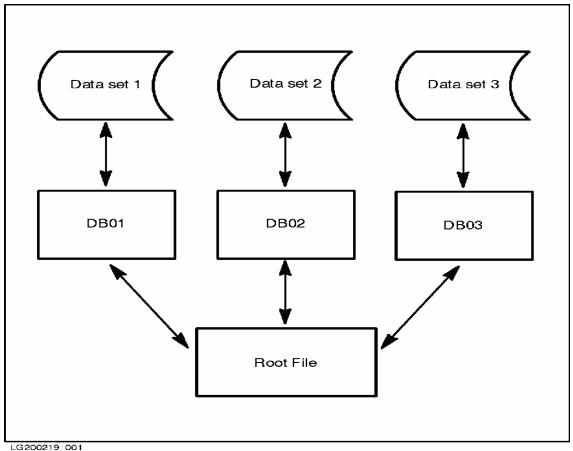


Specific concepts

- Network topology
- DBSCHEMA
- DBUTIL
- Free
- Stable, Efficient, trustworthy

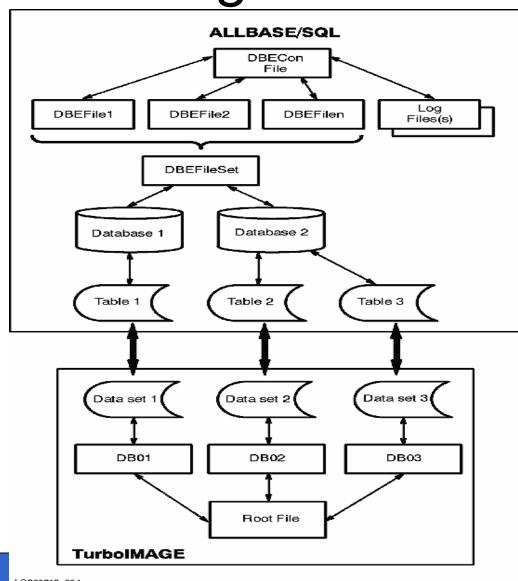


Turbolmage concept





Image/SQL concept





RDBMS selection

- What DB can support my existing db access needs
- Factors to consider
 - Price
 - Market share and popularity
 - Manufacturer credibility
 - Support track record
 - User license cost
 - Support and upgrade cost



Choices

- Oracle (Unix/PC)
- SQL Server (PC)
- Sybase (Unix)
- Informix (Unix/PC)
- DB2 (Unix/PC)
- HP Eloquence (Unix/PC)
- PostgreSQL/MySQL (Unix/PC)
- C-ISAM/D-ISAM (Unix/PC)
- Access and others (PC)
- Flat (Unix/PC)



Survey results

• Oracle : 10

• DB2 : 3

• SQL Server : 6

• Sybase : 2

• Informix : 0

• HP Eloquence : 10

OpenSource DBs : 1

• Other : 2

(PERVASIVE SQL / Universal DB2)

Sample from 22 people surveyed at e3000 symposium (DBs most appealing)

Conference & Expo

HP Eloquence

- Clone of Image database
- 95% of Image functionality
 - Missing some of the newer features
- Interesting to mainly small to mid-sized customers and ISVs
- Speedware will be supporting HP Eloquence in upcoming releases of our development tools
- Possible support for Omnidex
- 2000-5000 customers worldwide
 - Only ~200 using Image intrinsic interface
- \$7,000 per server

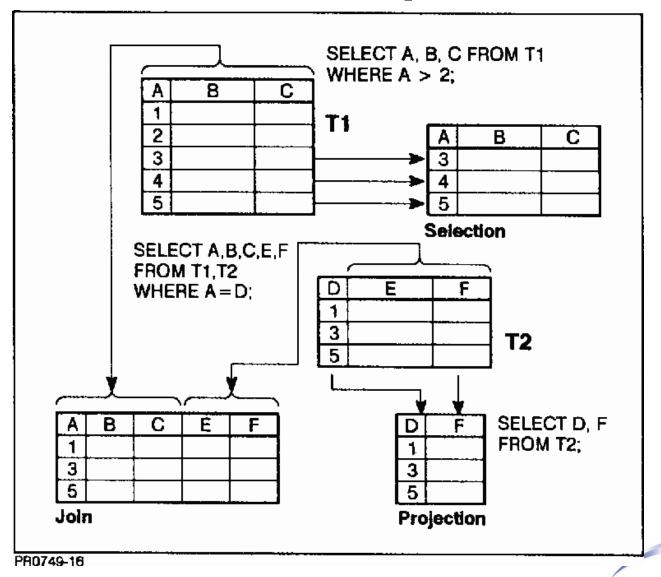


Technical considerations

- Efficiency/Performance
- Maintenance ability
- Supporting tools
- Flexibility
- Stability
- Scalability
- Administration
- Stored procedures
- Triggers
- Locking



SQL concept



HPWORLD 2002
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RDBMS

- Particularities
 - Tables not Datasets
 - Columns not Items, Rows not records
 - Indexes
 - Views and table joins
 - Column Item types
 - No arrays
 - Nulls
 - Triggers
 - Rollbacks
 - Data page and log file caching
 - Administration tools
- Unique features, SQL extensions
- Need a DataBase Administrator



Database Migration 101

Planning



- Assess current environment
- Timeframe, effort, milestones
 - When can you start?
 - Test machine
 - Completion expectance
 - Prior end of 2006 or passed?



Analyze current system

- CPUs, users, connections, databases, disk space
- Applications (critical, non-critical, purchased)
- 3rd party vendors for all apps and tools
- Types of languages
- User interface
- Data entry screen tools
- Development tools
- Operational tools
- Critical state preservation



Analyze current DB

- Architecture of Datasets
- Security
- Types of items
- Date items
- Buffer items and redefinitions
- Dirty data
- Arrays
- Data transaction volume and performance (throughput)



- New database structure
 - Identical copy (Phase 1)
 - Quicker method
 - May have performance issues
 - Not taking advantage of SQL
 - Note: Even a DB replication may require some code adaptation
 - Optimization / Improvements (Phase 2)
 - More effort
 - More efficient
 - SQL features, extensions, etc.



- Automatic masters disappear
- Manual masters become tables
- Detail datasets of Manual masters become table with a foreign key constraint
- Image SORT items become clustered Indexes
- Indexed keys become Indexes and queried with LIKE operator, unless TPI continues to be used



- Nulls
 - Used with SQL extensions
 - Define columns as NOT NULL
 - Least impact on code
 - Cannot take advantage of NULLs
 - Define some columns as NULL
 - May impact the code
 - Can take advantage of NULLs



- Arrays
 - Method 1: One big column
 - Some code changes may be required
 - Not recommended for Integer or Pack
 - Method 2: 1 column per occurrence
 - Some code changes required
 - Recommended for Integer or Pack
 - Method 3: New table, one row per occurrence
 - Significant code changes required
 - More flexible



- Dates
 - CHAR 8
 - Keep as is
 - Does not impact code
 - Change to Datetime/Timestamp
 - Consider if time logging is needed
 - Consider to take advantage of Datetime features
 - Some code changes may be required
 - CHAR 6
 - Similar to CHAR 8
 - Potential problems with new external tools if using HPDATE
 - Julian
 - Keep or Change concept



- Integers
 - RISC: Keep same format
 - CISC: Little/Big endien issue



DB access application code

- Can you keep the code as is?
 - Tools can translate DB access intrinsics to native or general access functions
 - Keep the intrinsics and use a mapper API, which will make the appropriate native translation
- Define access method
 - Native to DB
 - API mappers
 - ODBC/ADO/JDBC/etc.



Data replication & consolidation

- Export/Import
- DB migration tools
- Write your own transfer programs



Tests and refinement

- Migration tests
 - Data integrity tests
 - Data transformation tests
 - Application data access tests



Migration methods

- Data Migration Options
 - Big Bang / Magic Weekend
 - Running systems in parallel
 - Incremental loading
 - Parallel processing
- Speedware development tools have built in database porting features
 - Data can also be moved via the tools



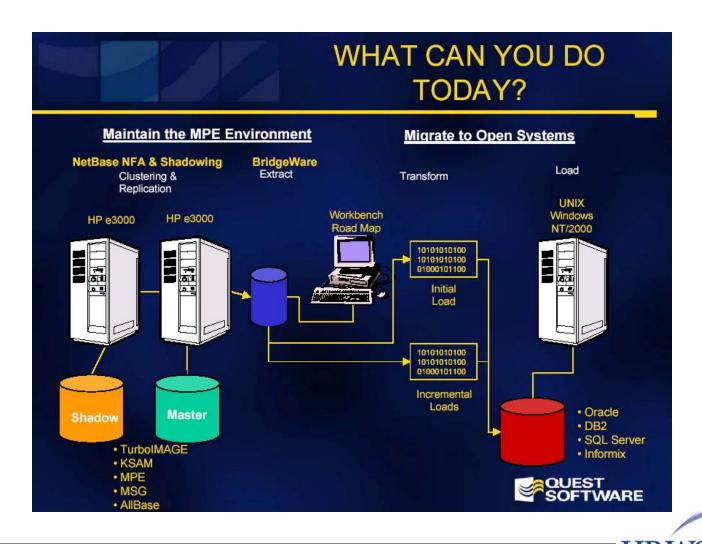
Migration methods

- Quest Software has some high-end database porting products
 - Bridgeware & DataBridger studio (co-developed with Taurus)
 - Supports dynamic data transformation and incremental loading
 - Netbase
 - Parallel processing across multiple systems and databases
 - Shadowing
 - Mirroring



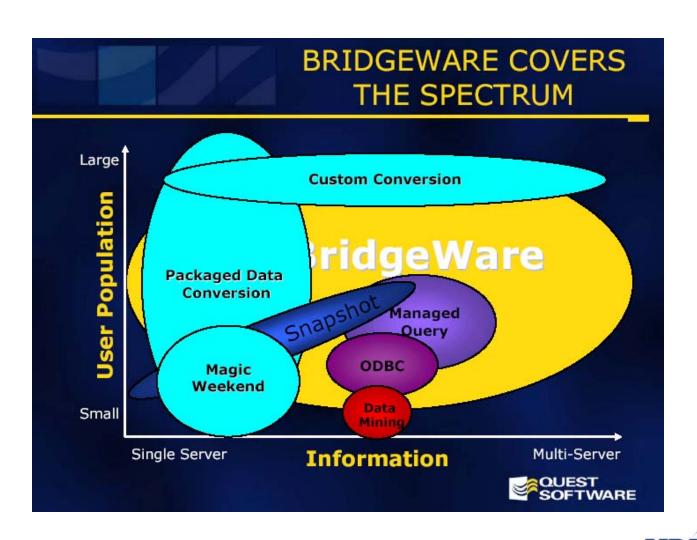
Quest BridgeWare

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Types of data transition

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- Features = changes
- Don't over do it
- Ensure that new db type and structure will be compatible with the existing apps



- Second phase improvements
 - Normalization
 - Views and table joins
 - Code optimization for direct SQL access
 - DateTime
 - Null items
 - Triggers



Database Migration 101

Implementation



Setup new RDBMS

- The DBA issue
 - Training, hiring
 - Remote access
- Install new db on new platform
- Make minimum access and configuration adjustments
- Create test database
- Link machines on network



Migration implementation

- Make copy of source database
- Create new db structure
 - Native RDBMS tools
 - Native Schema scripts
 - Automated tools
- Consolidate and Replicate the data
- Test the applications
- Data mirroring



Migration implementation

- Export/Import
 - Export data to flat files
 - Endian issue
 - Build import scripts
 - Column type conversions
 - Nulls
 - Dates
 - Arrays
 - Security
 - Import data from flat files through scripts



Migration implementation

- Database migration tools
 - GUI
 - Global changes
 - Column types conversions
 - Endien issue
 - Arrays
 - Nulls
 - Dates
 - Security
 - In-flight transformation
 - Mirroring features



Database migration tools

- Focused products for Turbolmage
 - Speedware
 - Taurus/Quest
 - GUI innovations
 - And other bridges (XenoBridge, Imaxsoft, Robelle, DISC, WRQ, VitalSoft, MB Foster, etc.)
- App migration tools that offer some level of DB migration
 - Sungard BI-Tech, Neartek, Denkart, Transoft



Live demo

Speedware database migrator



DB Migrator features

- Image/KSAM/Flat to Oracle/SQL Server
- Migration instances (save, open, copy)
- Powerful Search & Replace (global and itemized)
- Speedware logical attributes kept
- Treeview / gridview
- Data type mapping Warnings/Errors mechanism
- Data copy reporting grid, time estimation engine
- Limit of records copied (Data integrity kept)
- Ability to stop a copy process
- Detachable client
- Handles arrays, nulls, dates
- Merge DBs into one target DB
- Bulk creation of rows
- Assign tablespaces
- Repository update



Migration Implementation

- What about Omnidex and Superdex?
 - Relational Databases have strong data querying capabilities
 - However, most of the commonly-used Omnidex functionality doesn't exist. (keyword retrieval)
 - Omnidex has a migration path to Omni-Access
 - API compatibility libraries exist, reducing need to re-write queries.
 - Superdex best option is migration to Omni-Access.



Omnidex Migrations

- A migration tool should install Omni-Access on a migrated database
- Omni-Access is not as simple a product to implement as Omnidex



Application adaptation

- DB access method
 - Native
 - API mappers
 - ODBC/ADO/JDBC
- JCL/CI commands, etc.
- Test programs and refine code

