

An Approach to Selling EAI

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Agenda

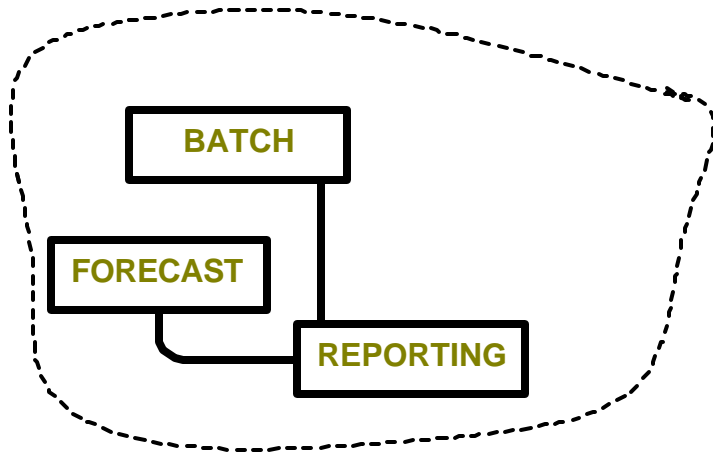
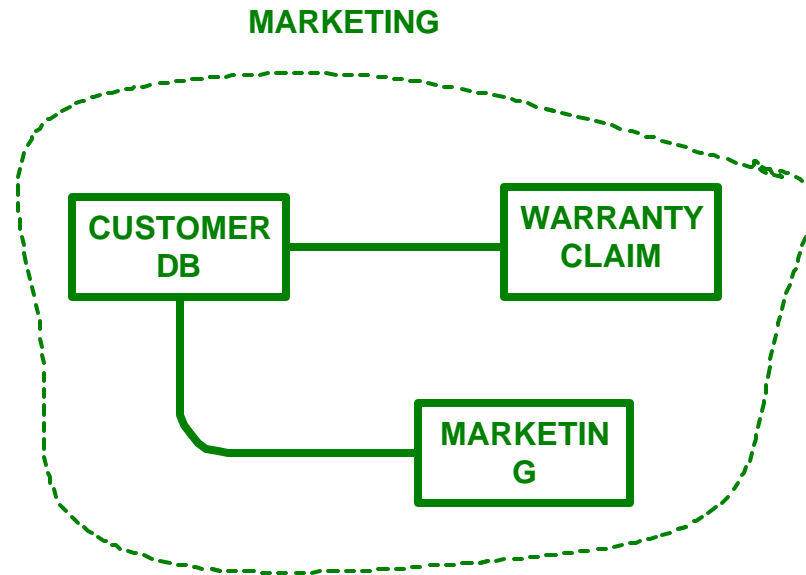
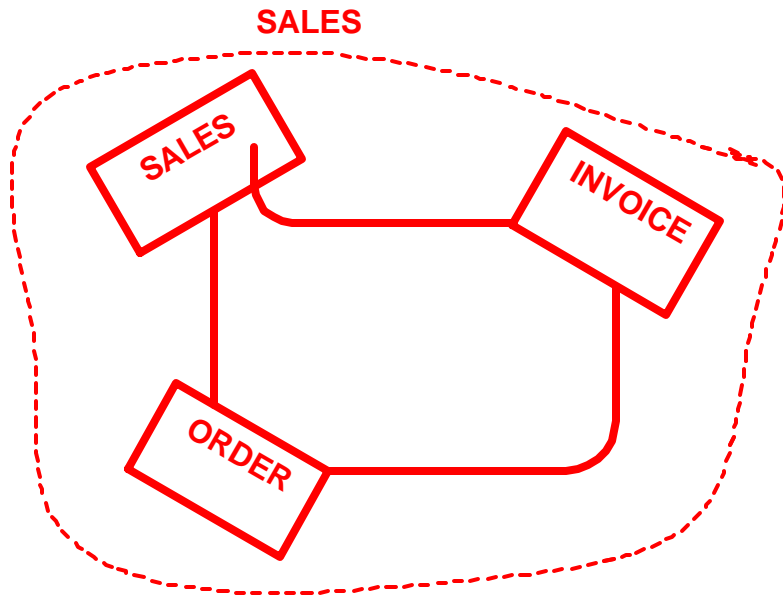
- Business drivers
- Vision
- Divide and conquer: Separation of concerns
- Keys to sales success
- Next steps

Business Drivers

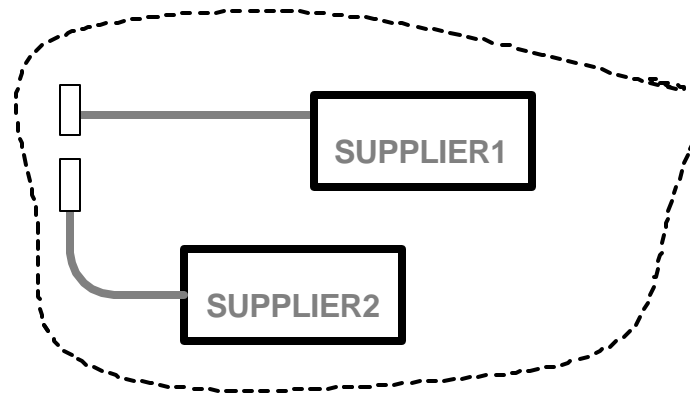
- "Business agility"
 - ▶ Requires ability to change application interconnectivity very quickly
- Integration of business units
 - ▶ Integration of existing and future business apps
- Cost reduction
 - ▶ Maximize reuse of application function
 - ▶ Consolidation of overlapping infrastructure
 - ▶ Consolidation of overlapping applications
 - ▶ Reduce cost of implementation and maintenance
 - Maximize use of "best practice"

The EAI Challenge (Example)

EAI challenge: isolated groups of applications with localised message formats



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Vision

- A single, pervasive EAI infrastructure
 - ▶ Supporting most or all application integration requirements
 - ▶ Consolidating or interoperating with all existing buses, hubs, or other EAI systems
 - ▶ Millions of messages/day, hundreds of apps
 - ▶ Tens of business units, several locations
- A single, pervasive approach:
 - ▶ A set of processes and standards that enforce best practice
 - ▶ Optionally, accomodating local diversity and autonomy

Separation of Concerns

- Transport and topology
- Formatting and transformation
- Common functions
- Security
- Non-functional requirements
- Standards

Transport and Topology

- Requirements
 - ▶ Establish connectivity between servers
 - Scaling to required #servers, #messages
 - ▶ Provide message routing

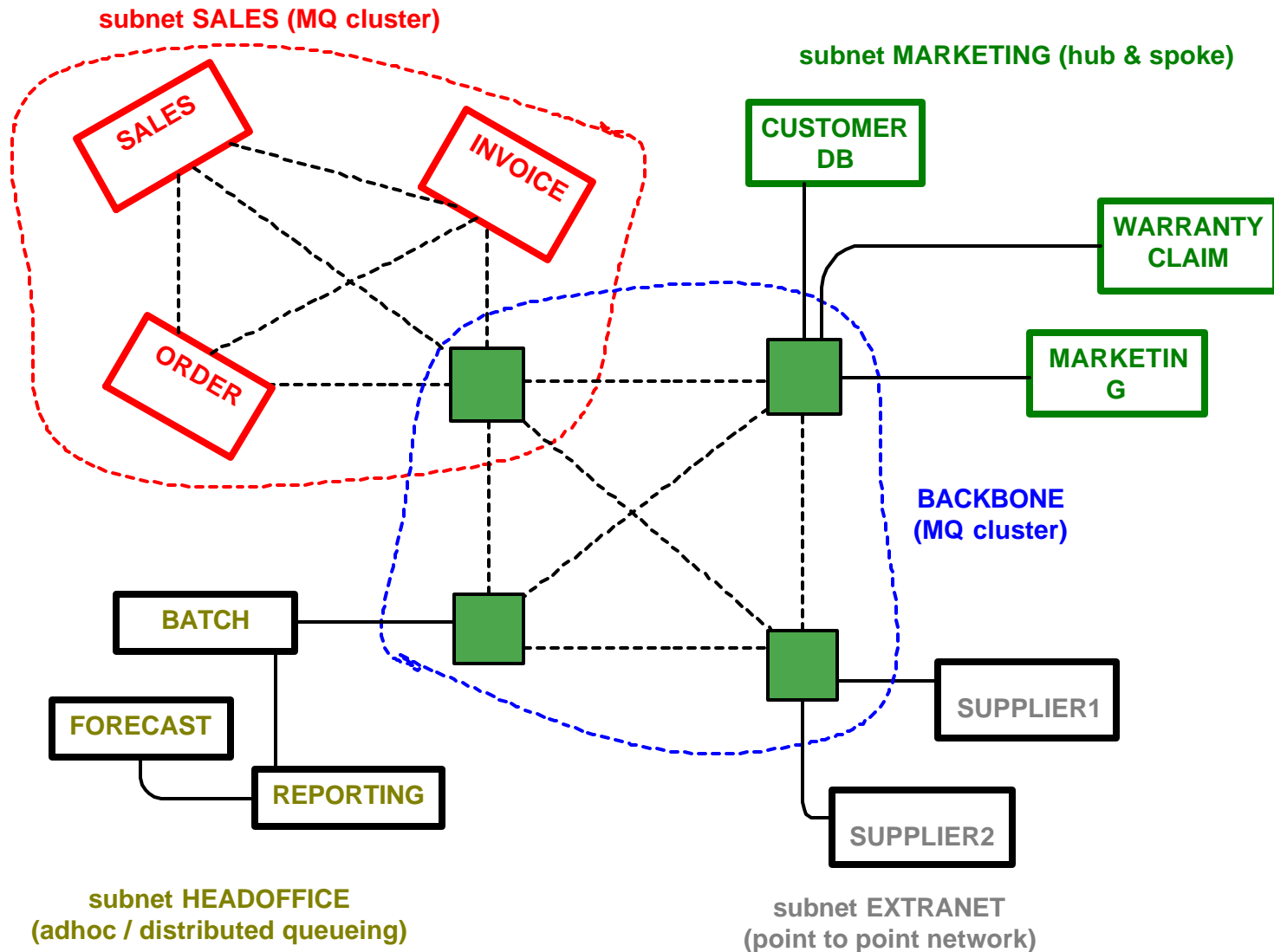
- Technologies
 - ▶ MQSeries Distributed Queueing
 - Queue Manager Clustering
 - Sharing Queues
 - ▶ MQSeries Integrator
 - ▶ Publish/subscribe
 - ▶ HA Clustering

Transport and Topology (2)

- Recommendations
 - ▶ Consider sub-networks and backbone for
 - Very high scalability
 - Support for local diversity and management

Transport and Topology: Example

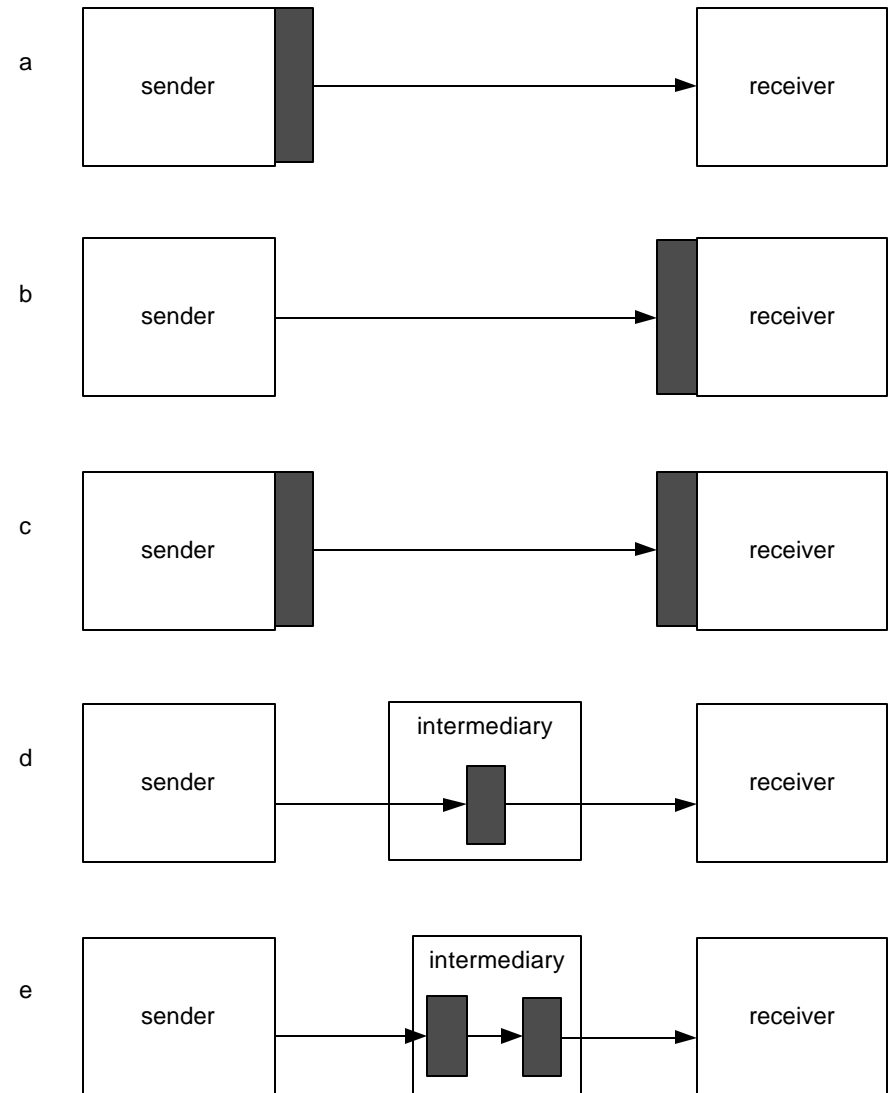
Topology: routing messages in a subnetted topology



Formatting & Transformation

- Requirements
 - ▶ Formatting = mapping between wire format and data structure
 - ▶ Transformation = mapping between wire format and wire format

Transformation Logic Placement Options



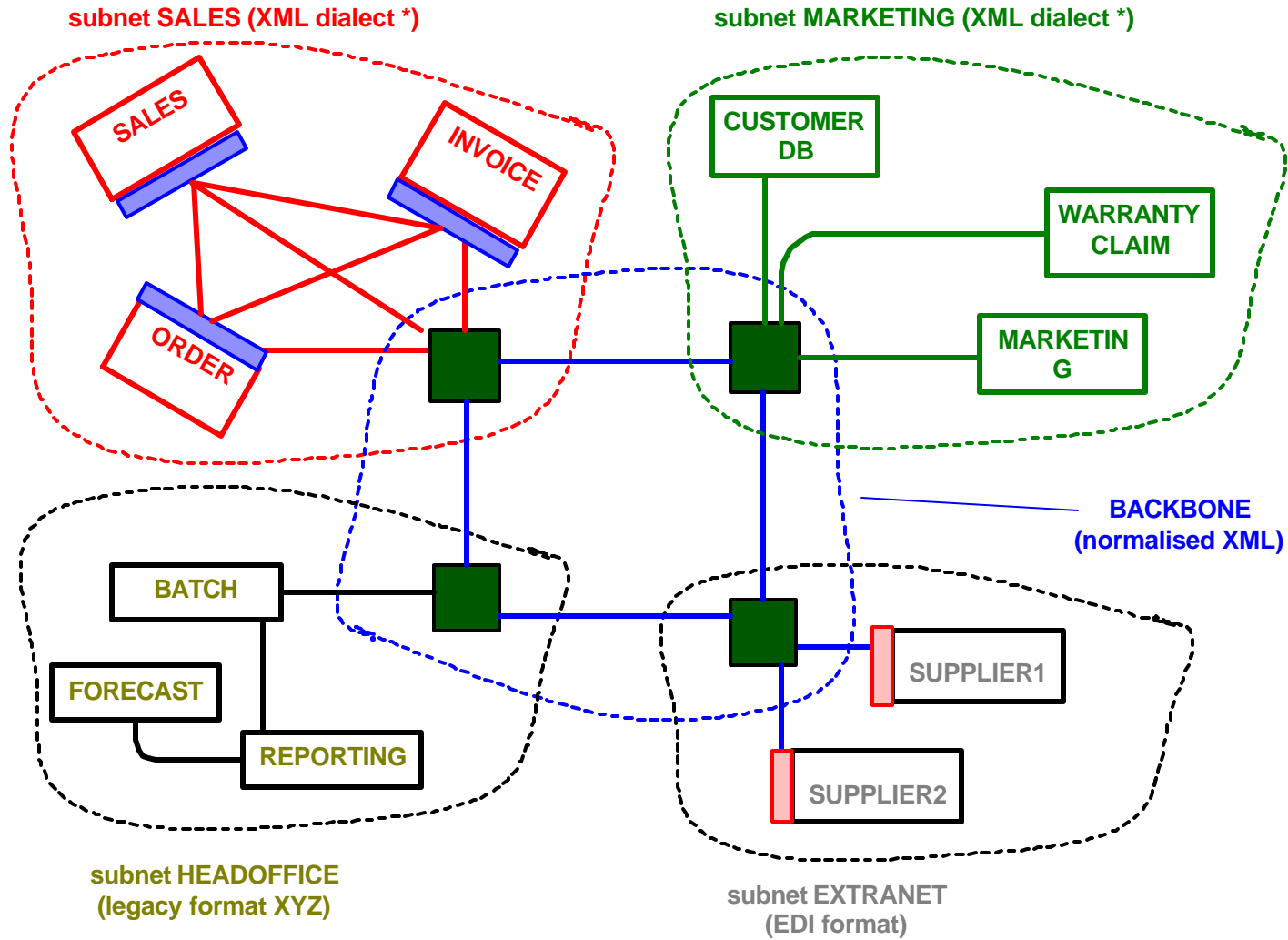
Formatting & Transformation (2)

- Technologies
 - ▶ MQSeries Integrator
 - ▶ MQSeries Adaptor Offering
 - ▶ Common Message Interface
 - ▶ (Java Message Service)

- Recommendations
 - ▶ Factor out common message formats
 - ▶ Expect to need to support "legacy" formats

Formatting & Transformation: Example

Transformation: dealing with localised message formats in a subnetted topology



note *: XML "dialect" - a locally-understood set of DTDs or Schemas



Common Functions

■ Requirements

- ▶ Factor out integration function common between applications into the messaging layer, such as
 - Implementation of QoS policy
 - Audit logging
 - Naming and addressing logic

■ Technologies

- ▶ Application Messaging Interface
- ▶ MQSeries Integrator
- ▶ MQSeries Adapter Offering

Common Functions (2)

- Recommendations
 - ▶ Separate naming from routing
 - ▶ Design for maximum interoperability with existing MQ applications
 - ▶ Consider what "policy" parameters should be removed from application code

Security

- Requirements
 - ▶ Authentication
 - ▶ Authorization
 - ▶ Message integrity
 - ▶ Message privacy
 - ▶ Auditing
 - ▶ Policy-based administration

- Technology
 - ▶ Tivoli Policy Director for MQSeries

Security (2)

- Recommendations
 - ▶ Design for maximum interoperability with existing MQ applications
 - ▶ Design to support different reqs for different apps or business units

Non-functional Requirements

- Requirements
 - ▶ Availability
 - ▶ Scalability
 - ▶ Performance
 - ▶ Manageability

- Recommendations
 - ▶ In-depth analysis of messaging patterns
 - ▶ Design to support different requirements for different apps or business units
 - ▶ Re-validate all design decisions against output of analysis

Standards

- Requirement
 - ▶ A set of processes, guidelines, and role definitions, that encapsulate and/or enforce best practice in the use of the infrastructure

- Recommendation: Include
 - ▶ How to define and document message formats, and service interfaces
 - ▶ Processes for development, deployment, and migration between test/production environments
 - ▶ Approval procedures for accepting applications onto the infrastructure

Keys to Success

- Develop a roadmap that
 - ▶ Breaks down the development of the architecture into manageable phases
 - ▶ Factors in specific business-driven integration requirements and delivers "quick wins"
- Figure out how you will size opportunity
- Beware of architecture talking-shops without a business mandate
- Set expectation of services involvement
- Engage with services partners early

Next Steps

- Course for delivery in October (EMEA): look for AIM Flash shortly
- Pre-sales resources:
 - ▶ EMEA MQ SUPPORT/UK/IBM
 - ▶ WW MQ Support: Jerry St Marie/Hartford/IBM
- Services resources:
 - ▶ IGS (BIS, ITS), Business Partners
 - ▶ AIM Services
 - Hursley Architecture Technical Consultancy/UK/IBM
 - Hursley MQSeries Technical Consultancy/UK/IBM