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Reengineering Desktop Thick Workgroups into Web Rich Enterprise Clients

Outline

- The Basic Requirements
- How? - What doesn't work
- Our solution
- Putting Oracle and FOSS to work
- Architecture
- Short Demo
- Q&A Period

The Basic Requirements...



Something like (μStn and ArcGIS) but make it:

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From an engineering standpoint...



How?



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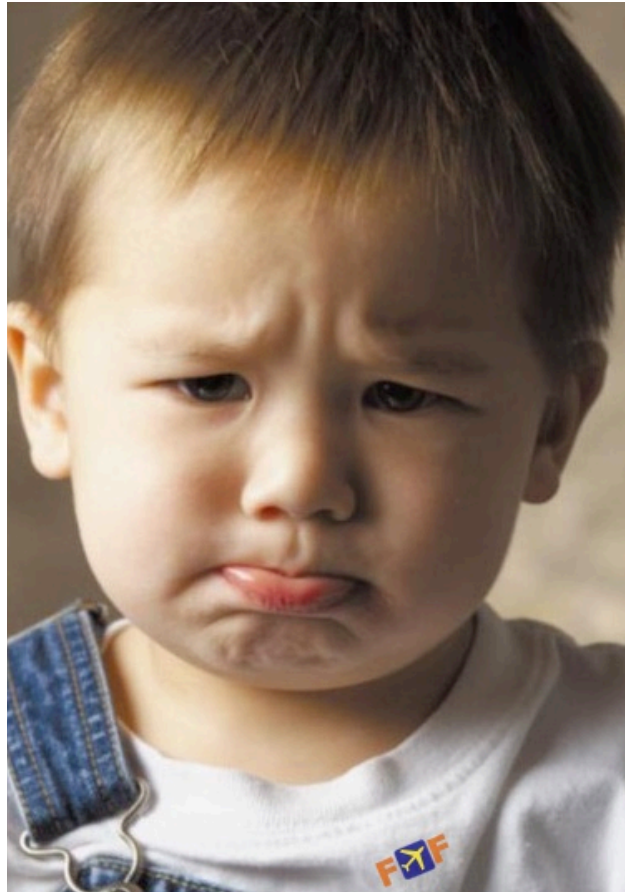
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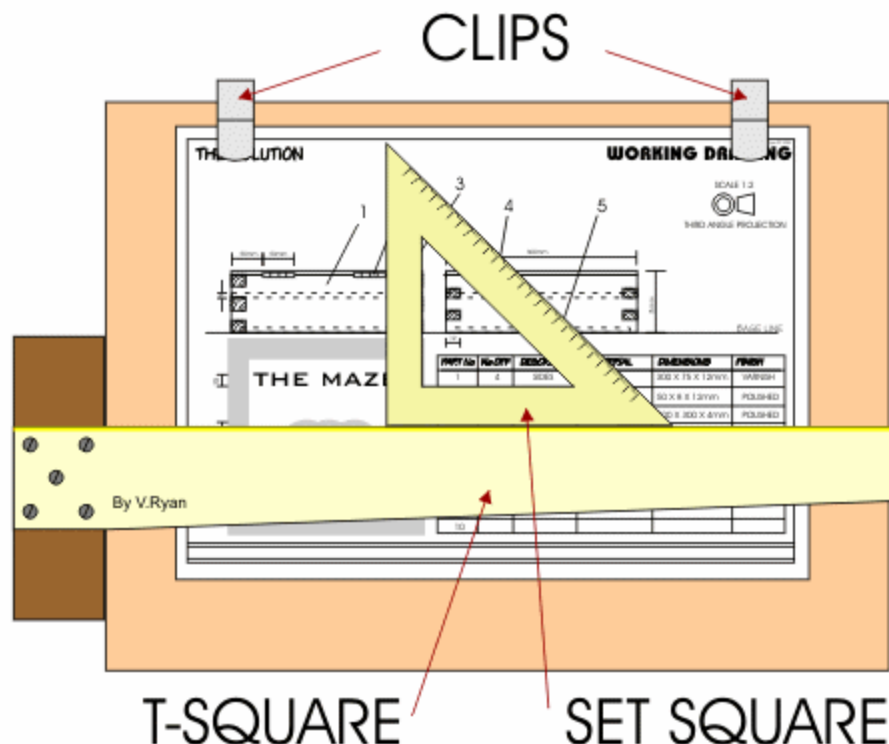
Strike Two!



Back to the drawing board...

It needs to:

- Run as a desktop
- Persist data like a desktop
- Refresh the screen like a desktop
- But cannot be installed - like a desktop



Eureka Moment

- How about using Java Web Start technology and that Oracle Berkeley Java DB together with Oracle Spatial and Workspace Manager?



One year later with 4 developers...



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 - ✓ Mini-Windows, Multi-Screen Interface



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Client

- Oracle Berkeley Java Database for persistent cache
- GeoTools for Shapefile and WFS support
- iText for PDF export



Mid-Tier

- OC4J/OAS
- FME for exports to shapefile, PGDB, AutoCAD, μ Stn
- GeoServer reading from Oracle for LIVE WFS feeds
- JDBC Java geometry to SDO geometry conversion



FEATURE MANIPULATION ENGINE



The details... Putting Oracle and FOSS products to work

Database

- Workspace Manager - allows all workers to make changes independently, in the same tables
- Spatial Geometric operations support complex object creation, movement, and rotation in the database
- Spatial LRS supports segment offset and “cable break location” operations
- GeoRaster used to create a master ortho catalog to enable tile creation for local distribution
- On the fly projection to UTM for exported data

Current System Snapshot

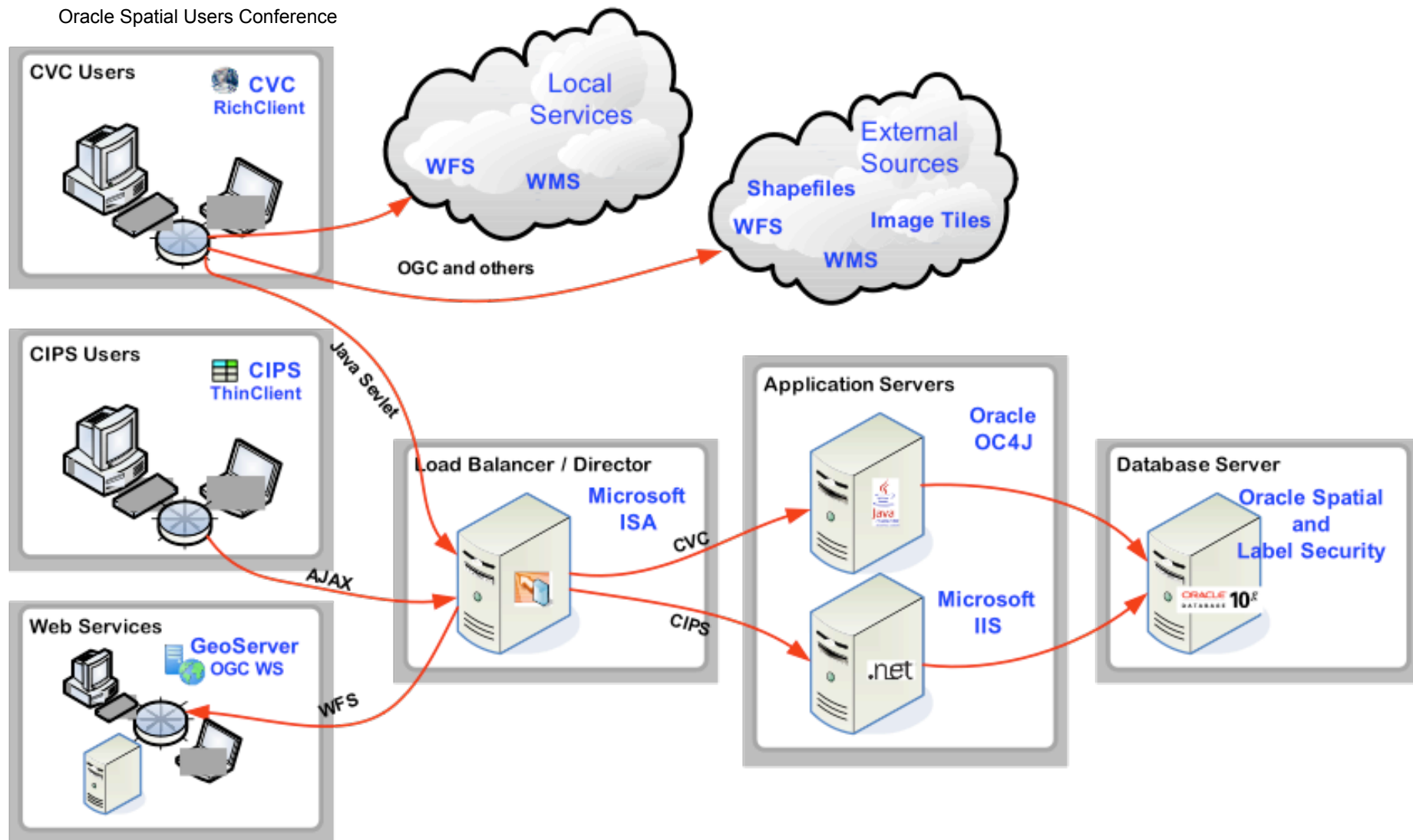
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- About 2,000 total users
- About 60 Active users at any one time
- 243 Sites Supported
- 330 Active workspaces
- 600,000 Duct nodes
- 200,000 Communication ducts
- 18,000 Manholes
- 1 Table per item (manhole, duct) shared by all users
- 1 Application service on a 2 core server
- 1 Database instance on a 4 core server



High-level Architecture



The Demonstration...

CIPS / CVC Tool Shown using:

- Oracle 10gR2
- Oracle OC4J Server
- Java Web Start Client



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