

#### SWEN30006 Software Modelling and Design

#### CASE STUDY: CHAUFFEURED CARS

I've yet to see any problem, however complicated, which when you looked at it the right way didn't become still more complicated.

—Poul Anderson



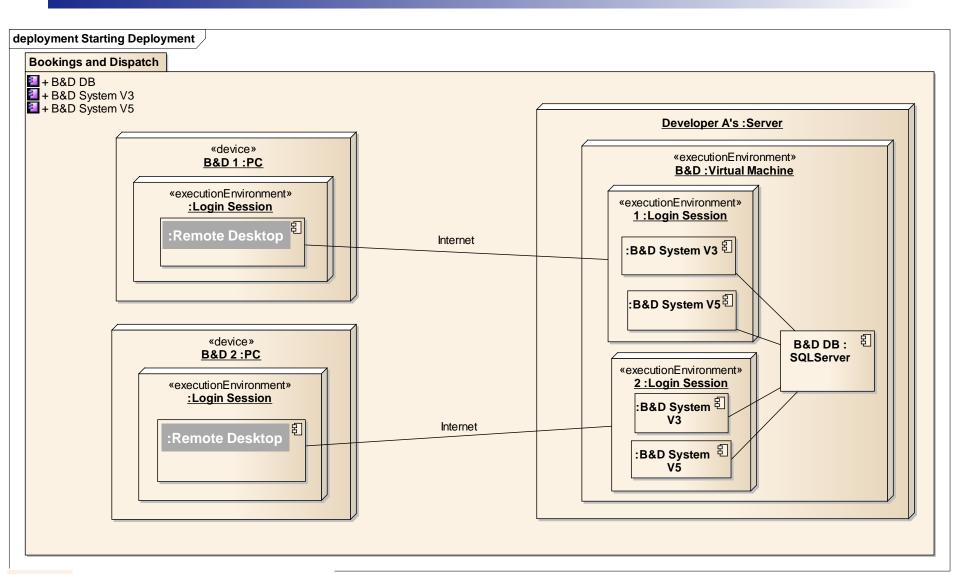
### Client Problem Perspective

Chauffeured Car Company (~30 drivers):

- Bookings and Dispatch System
- Business Critical
- Issues
  - Responsiveness, esp. with client on the phone
  - Reliability: periods of unavailability (paper/pen)
  - Functionality, e.g.
    - Invoicing and reporting
    - Client Portal



## Initial System Setup





### Investigation of Issues

- Responsiveness
  - Remote Desktop over internet to remote server
  - Sharing of limited bandwidth: UI freezes
- Reliability
  - Connection down → no system → paper/pen
- □ Functionality (→ Modifiability)
  - Two versions of system: old and current tech.
  - Both needed, e.g. old → bookings; new → clients
  - System not accessible in current form



### **Options**

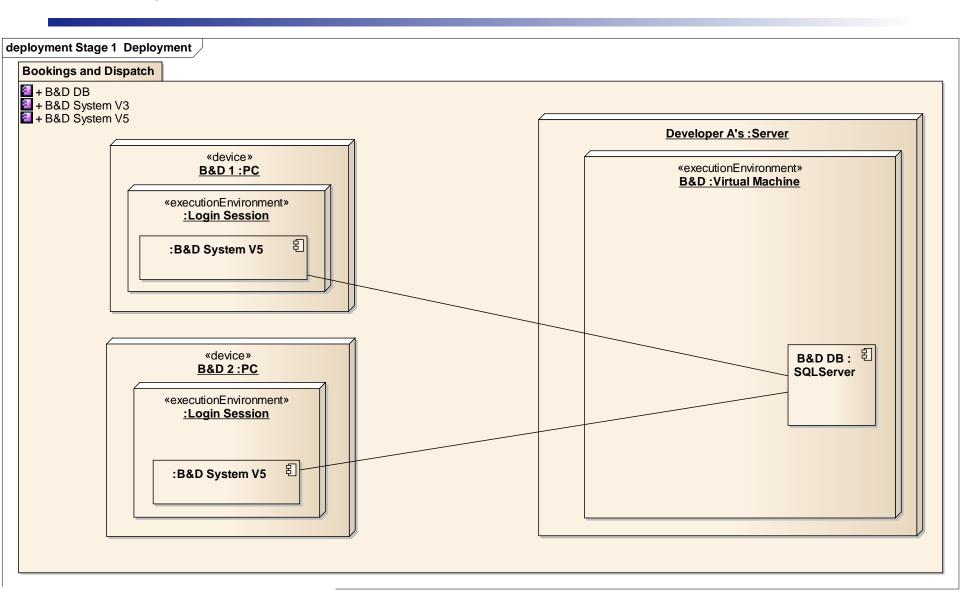
- Commercial Off-The-Shelf (COTS)
  - + s/w up/running quickly; low (starting) cost
  - business differences; control of s/w
- Rebuild
  - + built-for-purpose to meet current needs
  - high cost; long delay until available
- Modify Existing
  - + business transition easier; control of s/w
  - finding willing developer; cost?; delay?



#### Planned Approach: "Take Control"

- Modify existing: developer identified
- Responsiveness: eliminate use of Remote Desktop
- Reliability: update networking setup
- Modifiability
  - Make V5 accessible for updates
  - Eliminate V3 by implementing V3\V5 in V5
- Functionality
  - Add high priority low complexity functionality
  - E.g. invoicing and reporting







## Stage 1 Summary

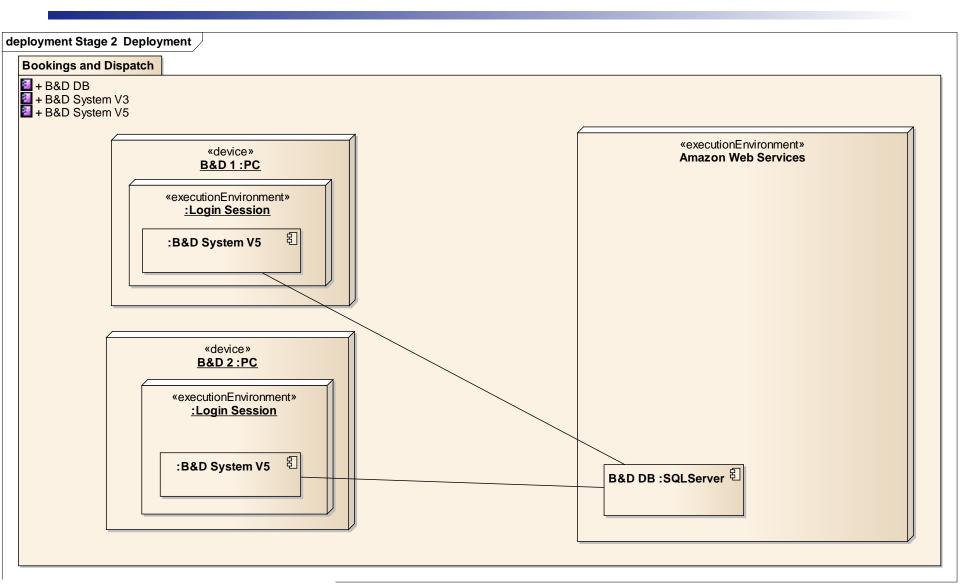
#### Stage 1:

- Add functionality only in V3 to V5
- Modify the local environment to support running the V5
  Thick Client

#### Benefits:

- No more Visual Basic
- No more running two apps
- Running locally eliminates Client lag





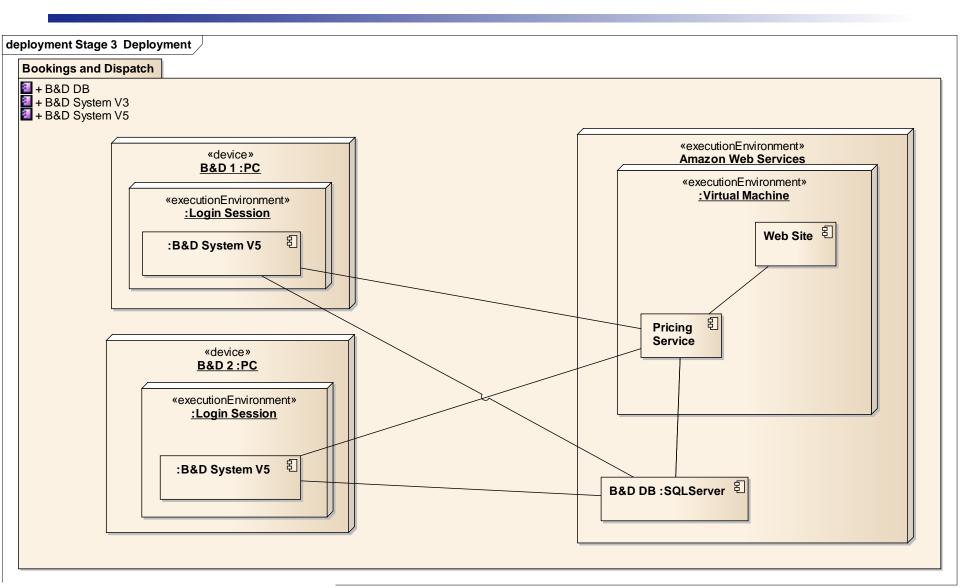


### Stage 2 Summary

#### Stage 2:

- Migrate SQL Server from Developer A's server to Amazon Benefits:
- No further dependence on Developer A
- Increased reliability
- Easy options for increasing backend performance
- Options for increasing redundancy
- Reduced cost







### Stage 3 Summary

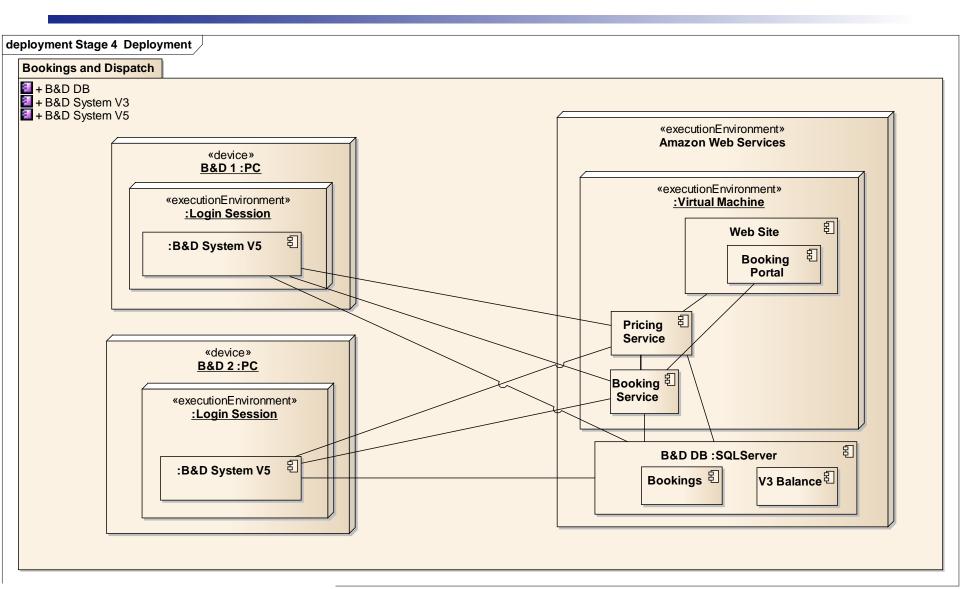
#### Stage 3:

- Introduce pricing service
- Replace pricing in existing system with service
- Make pricing available to customers via web site

#### Benefits:

- Introduction of a service-based architecture
- Shared single location for services
- Improved transparency for customers
- Opportunities for server optimisation







### Stage 4 Summary

#### Stage 4:

- Introduce booking service
- Replace booking in existing system with service
- Make booking portal available to customers via web site
- Partition database to separate out bookings

#### Benefits:

- Customers can now make their own bookings (critical)
- Further develop service based architecture
- Start migration from V3 DB schema and configuration