

SOA versus Traditional Architectures

The monolithic mainframe application architecture

- ♣ Separate, single-function applications, such as order-entry or billing
- ♣ Applications cannot share data or other resources
- ♣ Developers must create multiple instances of the same functionality (service).
- ♣ Proprietary (user) interfaces

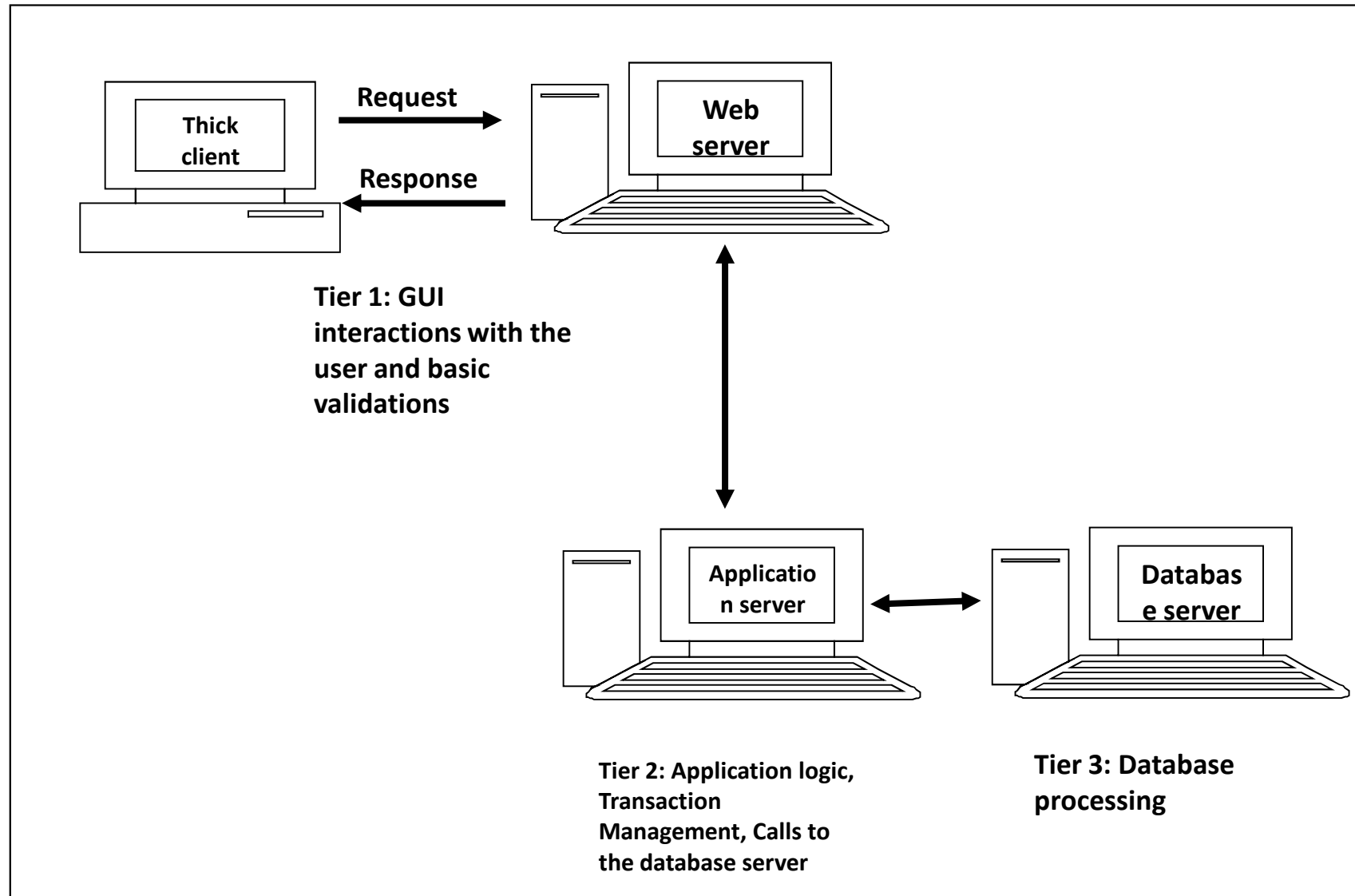
The distributed application architecture

- ♣ Integrated applications
- ♣ Applications can share resources
- ♣ A single instance of functionality (service) can be reused.
- ♣ Common user interfaces
- ♣ Bottom-up approach
- ♣ Real world scenario

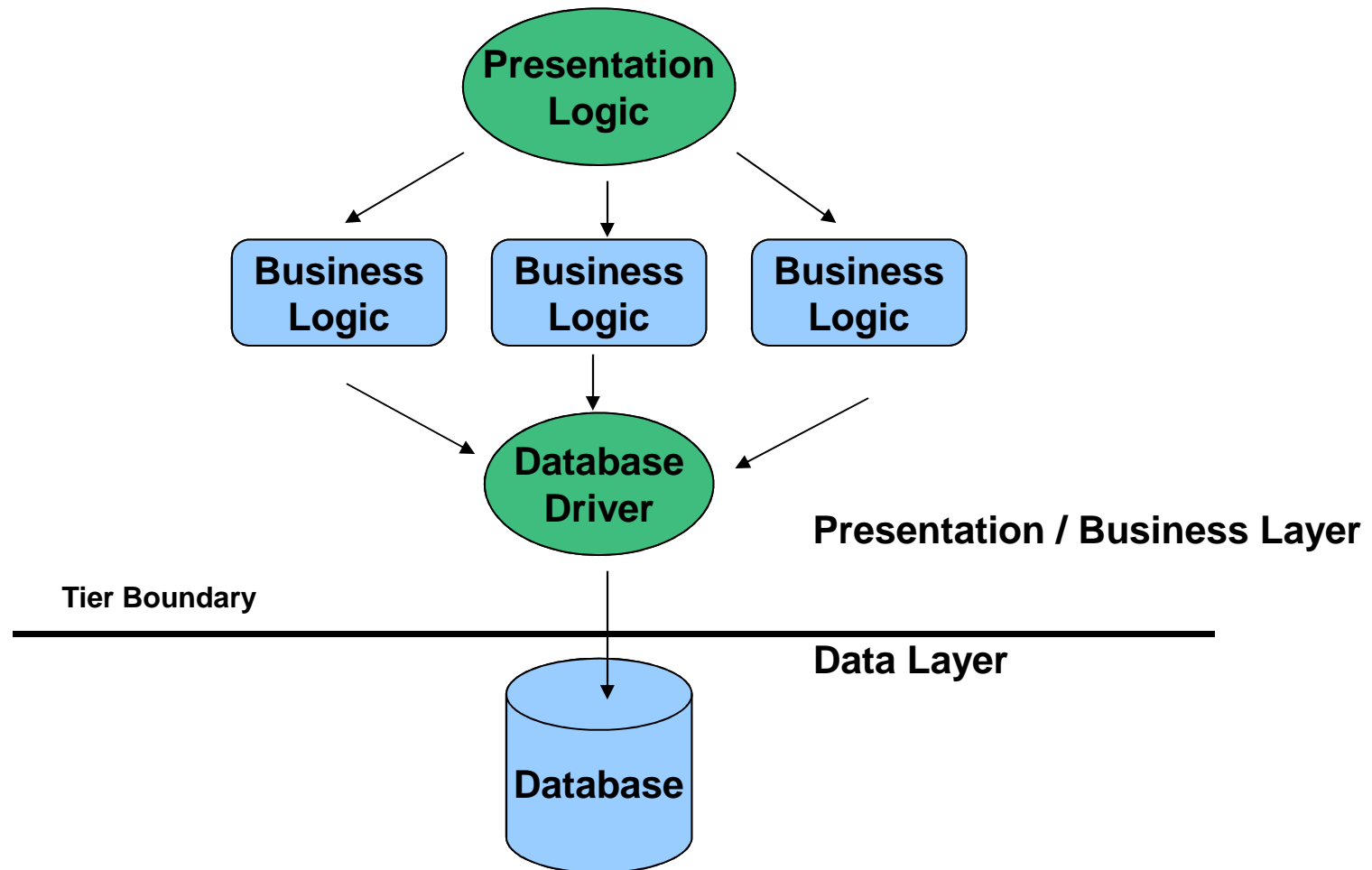
Web based systems ...

- ♣ Client-server model
- ♣ Client side technologies
- ♣ Server side technologies
- ♣ Web client, Web servers
- ♣ Application servers

Basic idea of Tiers



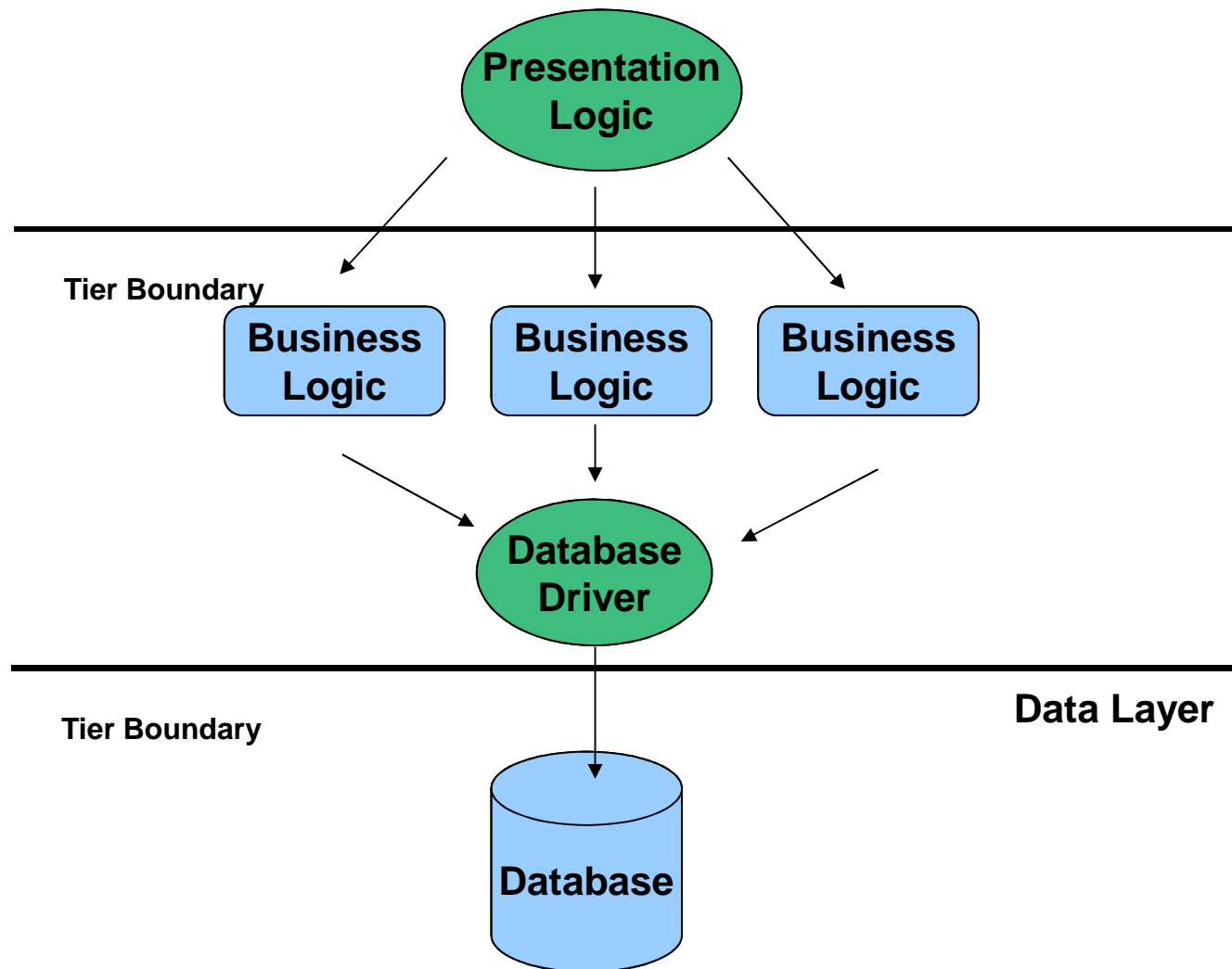
2-tier architecture



Two tier architecture

- **Deployment costs are high**
- **Database driver switching costs are high**
- **Business logic migration costs are high**
- **The client has to recompile if the BL is changed**
- **Network performance suffers**

N-Tier architecture



N-Tier architecture

- **Deployment costs are low**
- **Database switching costs are low**
- **Business migration costs are low**
- **Each tier can vary independently**
- **Communication performance suffers**
- **Maintenance costs are high**

Presentation tier technologies

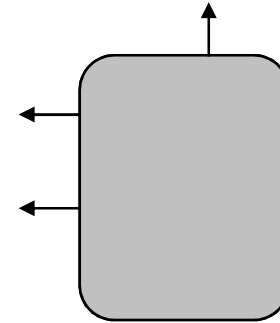
At client or server?	Property	Microsoft Technology	Sun Technology
Client	HTTP (Web) based	HTML browser (Internet Explorer)	HTML browser (Netscape Navigator)
		ActiveX Controls	Java Applets
	Non-HTTP based	COM clients	CORBA clients
	Communication Protocol between client and server	DCOM	RMI, IIOP
Server	For creating dynamic Web pages	ISAPI, ASP	NSAPI, Servlets, JSP
	Other pages	HTML, XML	HTML, XML

Business tier technologies

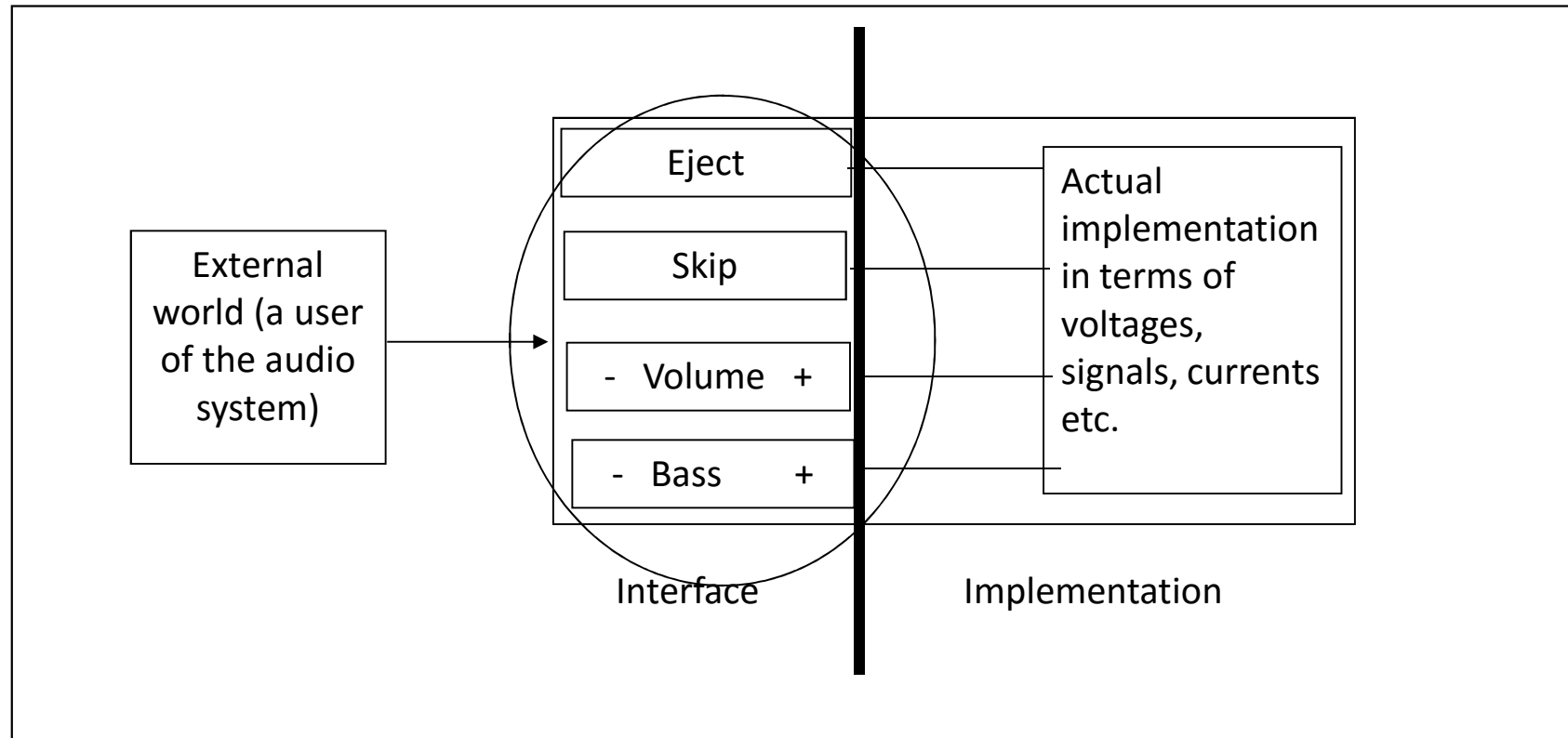
Purpose	Microsoft Technology	Sun Technology
Transaction handing, Business Objects	COM, MTS	EJB (Session Beans)
Queuing and Messaging	MSMQ	IBM's MQSeries, Java Messaging Service (JMS)
Database access	ADO, OLE, ODBC	JDBC, J/SQL (via Entity Beans)

Component World ...

- ♣ Justification for component
- ♣ Interface
- ♣ Implementation
- ♣ Reusability
- ♣ standards



Interface and Implementation



Technologies for implementing components

- ♣ RMI / EJB
- ♣ CORBA
- ♣ COM, DCOM, COM+
- ♣ Limitations
- ♣ Web services (XML based standards)

Limitations of Components

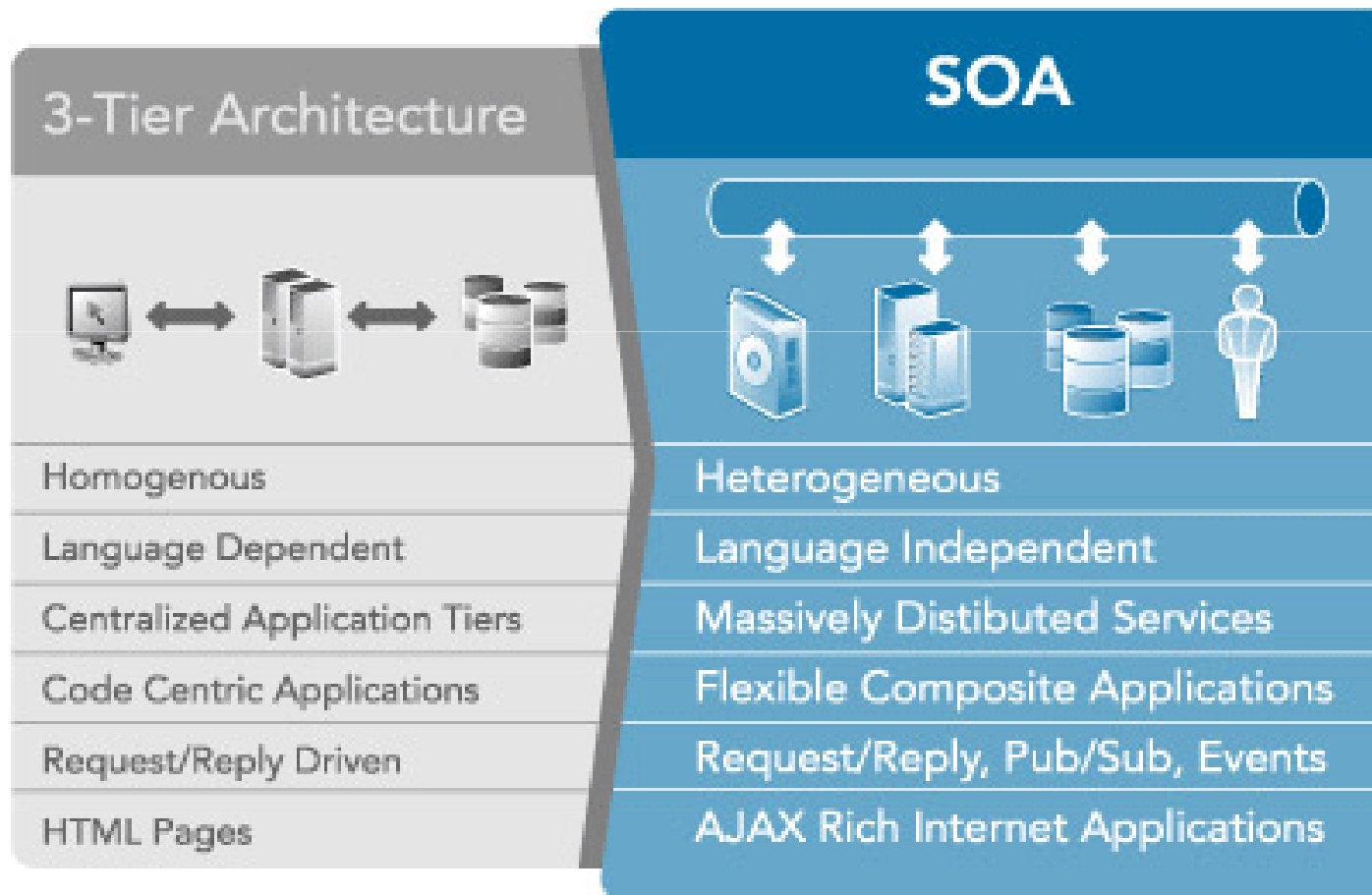
- ♣ Tightly coupled
- ♣ Cross language/ platform issues
- ♣ Interoperability issues
- ♣ Maintenance and management
- ♣ Security issues

Why SOA?

- ♣ Heterogeneous cross-platform
- ♣ Reusability at the macro (service) level rather than micro(object) level
- ♣ Interconnection to - and usage of - existing IT (legacy) assets
- ♣ Granularity, modularity, composability, componentization
- ♣ Compliance with industry standards

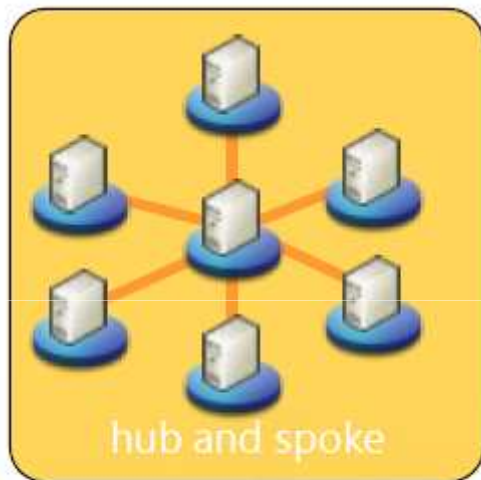
SOA is an evolutionary step

- for architecture



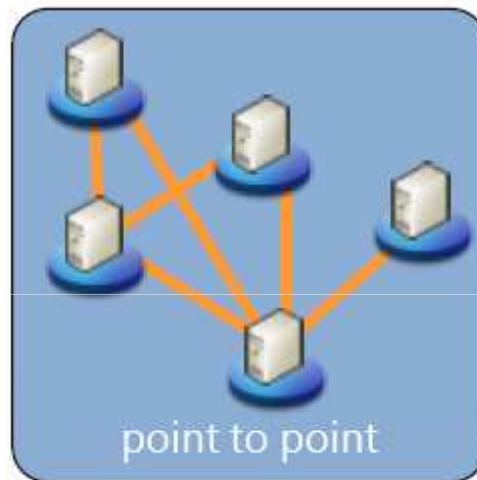
SOA is an evolutionary step

in distributed communications



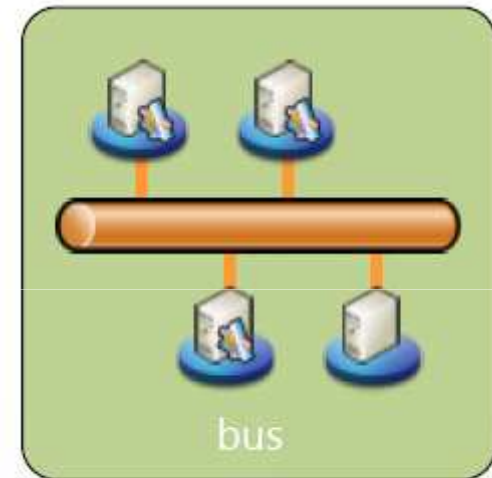
"too centralized"

EAI



"too decentralized"

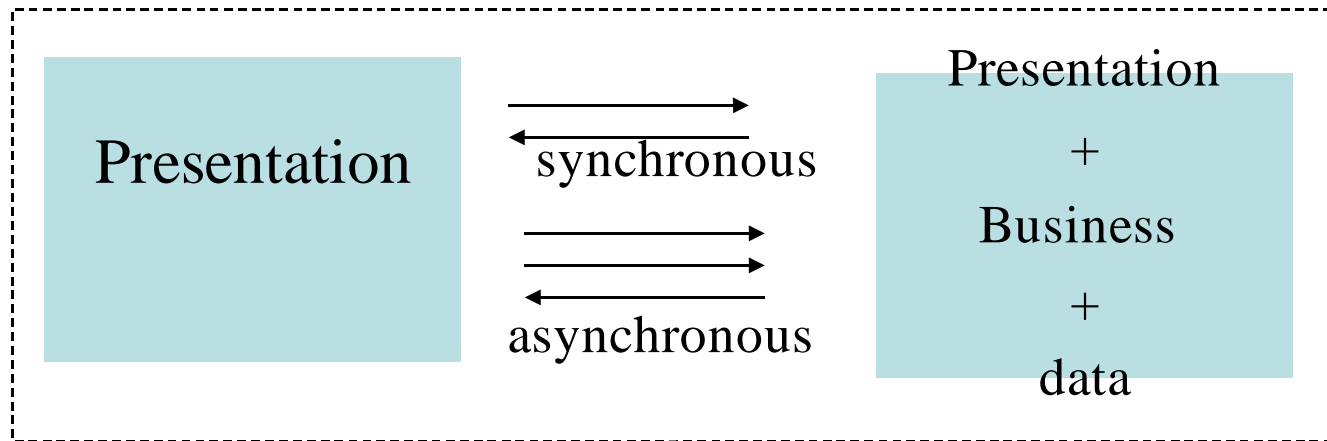
Project-ware



"just right"

SOA

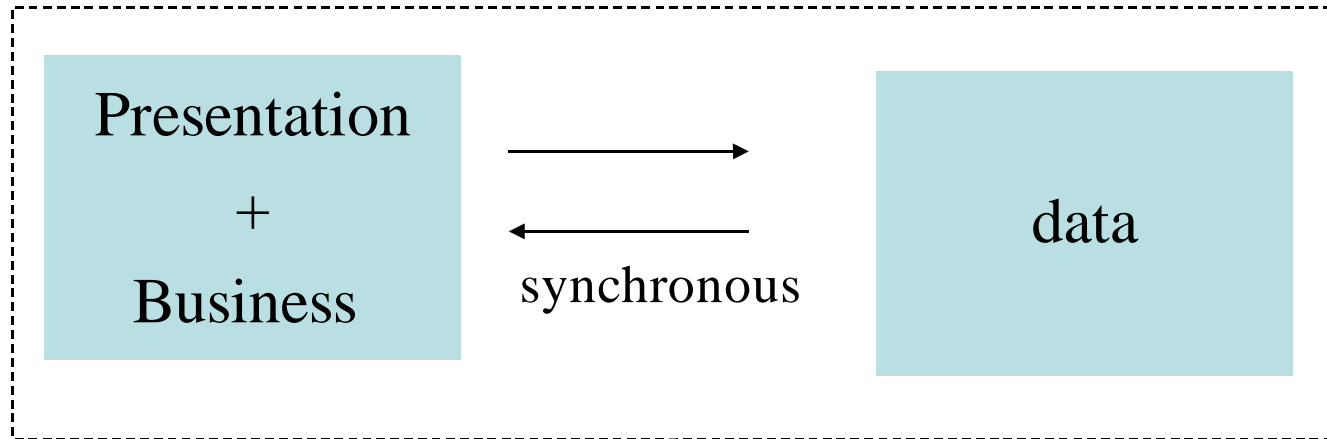
Single-tier client-server Architecture



Thin (dumb) client
No application
Logic
Minimal processing

Intelligent server
All application
logic
Bulk processing

Two-tier client-server Architecture



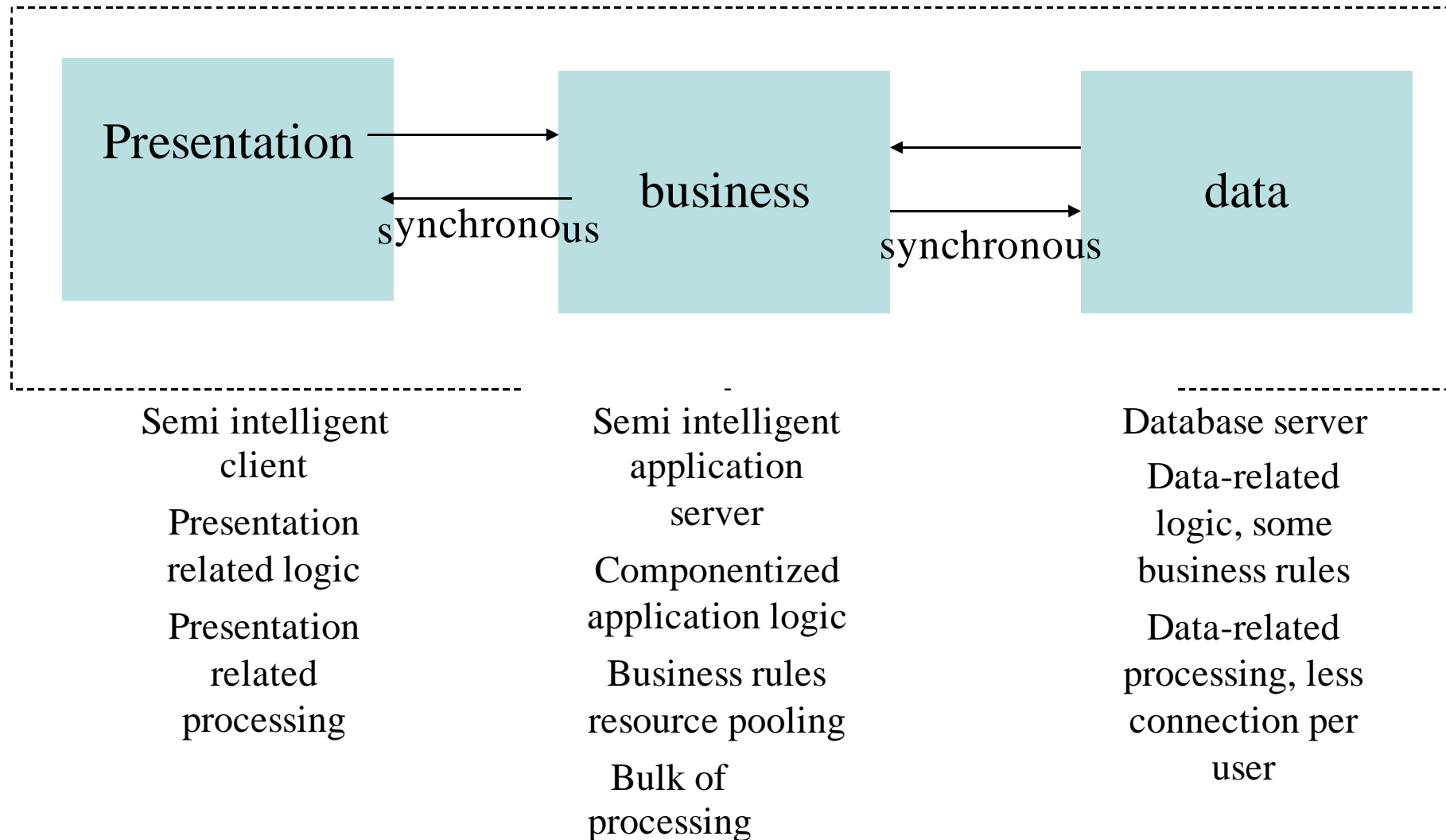
Fat (intelligent)
client
Bulk
application logic
Bulk of processing

Database server
Data-related logic,
some business
rules
Data-related
processing, one
connection per
user

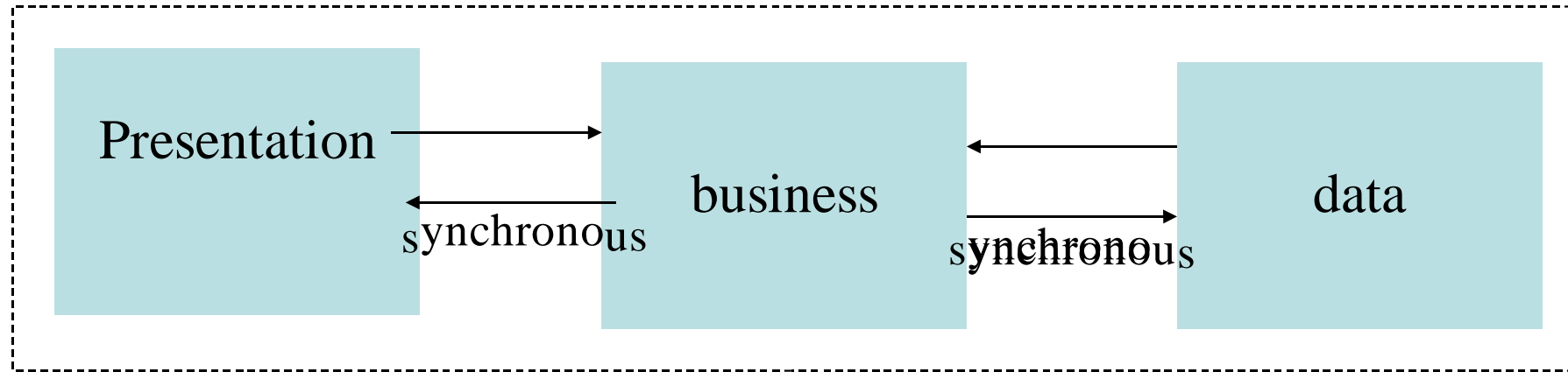
SOA vs Client-Server Architecture

	CS environments	SOA
Application logic	Exists in client	Presentation layer design is open and specific to solution's requirement
Application Processing	80%-20% exists in client and db server. Each client establish its own dB connection that is persistent and synchronous	Multiple servers each hosting sets of WS and supporting middleware. Many choices to position and deploy services. Communication can be synchronous or asynchronous promoting autonomous stateless services
Technology	4GL – VB in client Oracle, Sybase in server	Web technologies (HTML,HTTP) with XML data representation architecture and SOAP
Security	Sofisticated and simple	Complex WS-Security framework

Multi-tier client-server Architecture



Distributed internet Architecture



dumb client
(browser)

No installed
logic

Presentation
related
processing

intelligent
application and
web server

Presentation
logic, business
rules, connection
pooling

Componentized
application logic
Bulk
processing

Database server

Data-related
logic, some
business rules

Data-related
processing, less
connection per
user

SOA vs distributed internet Architecture

Design considerations

- How application logic should be partitioned
 - Where the partitioned units of processing logic should reside
 - How the units of processing logic should interact
- **Differences lie in the principles used to determine these three design considerations**

SOA vs distributed internet Architecture

	Distributed internet architecture	SOA
Application logic	Components of varying degrees of functional granularity reside in 1 or more application servers. Communication is via API or RPC. Tightly bound component network – not easily altered	Functionality is wrapped within a service and exposed via open standard interface. Services communicate via SOAP messages. Loosely coupled solution agnostic services promote reuse and cross application interoperability
Application Processing	Relies on proprietary communication protocols – efficient, reliable, support stateful and stateless components that interact with synchronous data exchanges	Communication – slower than RPC with processing overhead but it promotes creation of autonomous services that support wide range of message exchange patterns and optimizes processing by minimizing communication

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