



AN/UYQ-70 IT-21/SPAWAR Cooperation



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- Q-70 IT-21 Services and Model
- Middleware
 - DCOM, CORBA, Java
 - JTA/DII COE
- Multiservice Information Distribution
 - Voice, Data, Sensor, Audio/Video, Collaboration



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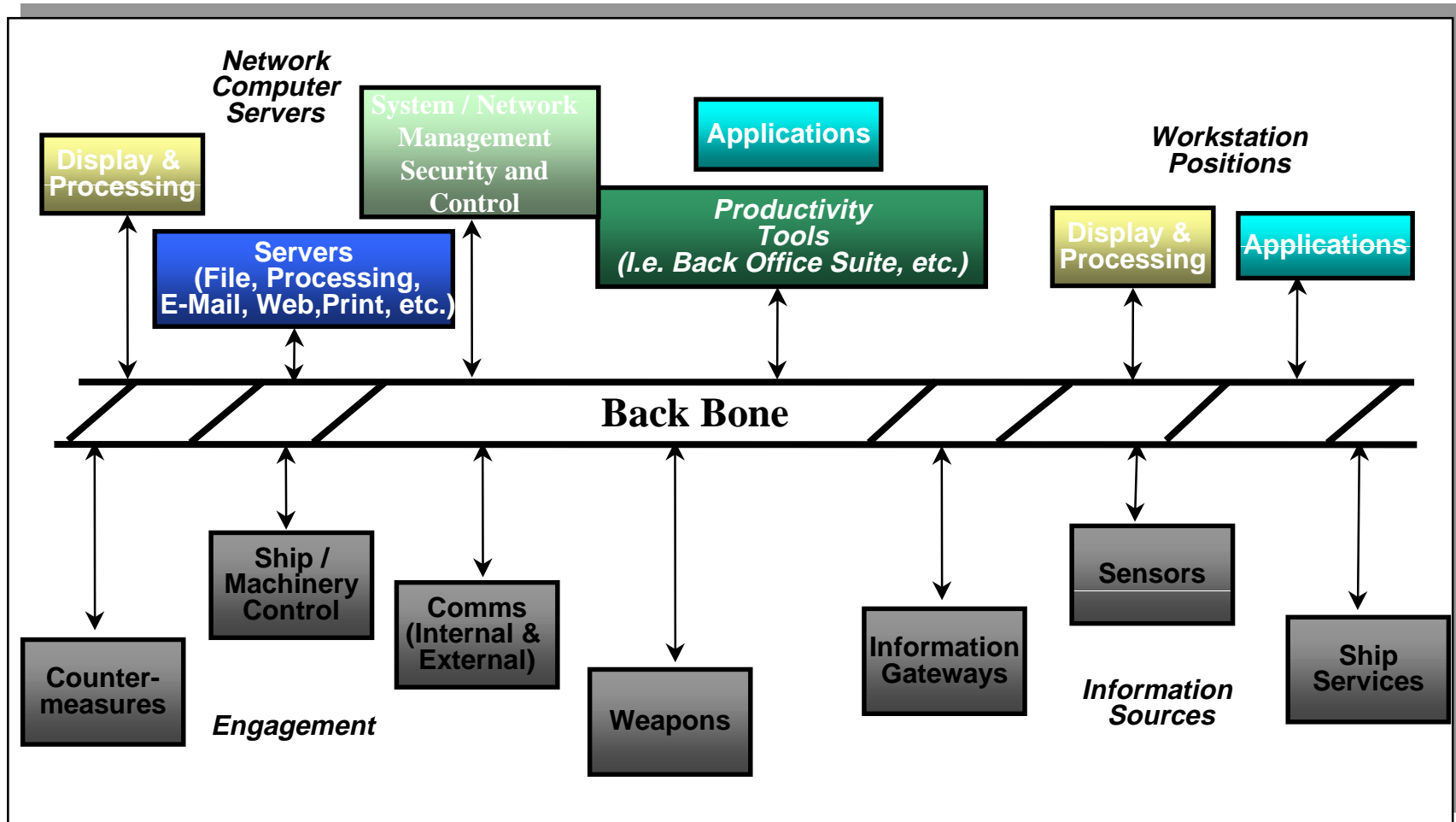


- Network Infrastructure & Resource Management
 - QoS, Remote Management, ASVADS, MTT
 - Switches, Gateways, Routers and Bridges
 - Internet/Intranet
- Security
- Challenges/Strategy
- Summary of Recommendations

Note that other issues like the VME Migration and Mission-Essential Variant (low-cost) enclosure are not discussed here!



Notional Network Centric Q-70 System Model





Typical Q-70 IT-21 Network Services To Be Provided



- LAN Interconnection
- TCP/IP Support including Routing and Quality Of Service (QOS)
- Network Management Services
- Share combat system and weapons data between workstations
- Issue weapons firing and other battle orders
- Multiservice Information Distribution
- Electronic Dialog/Collaboration
- File Transfer Services
- Remote Access Services
- Domain Name Service (DNS)
- Electronic Mail including Attachments
- External Gateway Services
 - WWW, SIPR, NIPR
 - Electronic News
- Network Time Services
- Multi-level network security



Q-70/IT-21 Road to Success



Multi-faceted approach required to augment legacy Q-70 architecture to support IT-21 Architecture.

- Broken into Four Major Thrusts
 - Middleware
 - Multiservice Information Distribution
 - Network Infrastructure
 - Security Architecture
- Requires Multi-Faceted collaboration between Navy Labs and Industry



Middleware

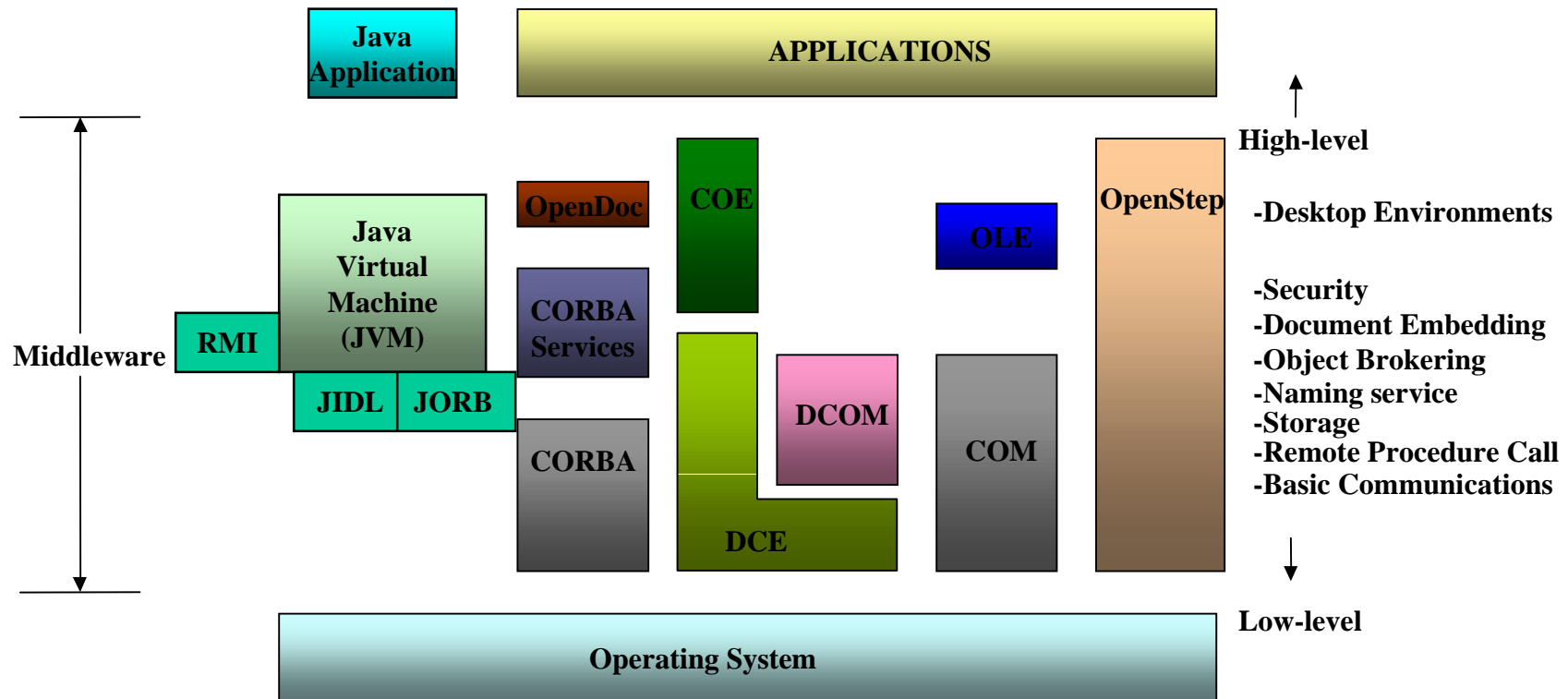


Define Middleware solutions that protect the Navy's investment in applications software

- Enable Navy to take advantage of changes in commercial technology with minimal impact to application software.
- JTA and DII COE activities include initial implementations of middleware aimed at warfighters.
- DCOM /Active-X, CORBA, and Java/JINI are commercial technologies that provide additional solutions for emerging Navy application requirements.
- Maintain and migrate Q-70 Unique middleware (BRM, Print Mgr, etc.) as well as consider additional middleware for RDSC, NTDS I/O, and others.



Middleware Model



JVM: Java Virtual Machine
 JORB: Java ORB
 JIDL: Java Interface Definition Language
 RMI: Remote Method Invocation

ORB: Object Request Broker
 CORBA: Common Object Request Broker Architecture
 COE: Common Operating Environment
 DCE: Distributed Computing Environment
 OLE: Object Linking and Embedding
 DCOM: Distributed Component Object Model





Middleware



Technologies Being Investigated for Applicability to Q-70 Family:

DCOM/ActiveX - Microsoft Remote Procedure Call (RPC) Based Object Model; future uncertain; MFC Developer Kit includes toolset

ORB/CORBA - IEEE and COE standard, portable on POSIX compliant platforms; “Real-Time” ORBs under development, wide market acceptance and variety of toolsets available

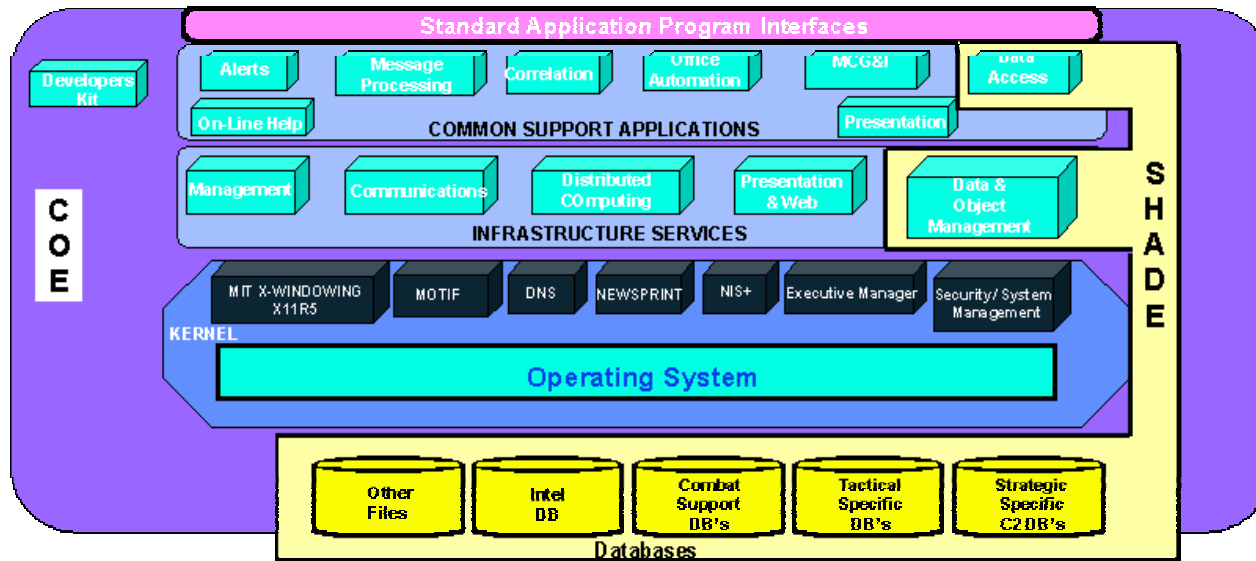
Distributed Java/JINI - Language for platform independent applications, Java gaining wide commercial market acceptance; DOD evaluating for military applications; JINI is promising as a distributed object model for Java objects; wide variety of toolsets available



DOD Related Activities Applicable to Q-70 Middleware Development



DII COE; A collection of reusable software components and a software infrastructure for supporting mission-area applications, guidelines, standards, and specifications.



- DII-COE; Defense Information Infrastructure Common Operating Environment
- SHADE; Shared Data Environment

SHADE: Provides an integration approach for data and databases (IAW Joint Tactical Architecture (JTA) necessary AND sufficient for interoperability.





Multiservice Information Distribution



Multiservice Information Distribution includes sensor data, live video and voice information

- Current Navy solutions for data distribution include point-to-point or potentially obsolete network interfaces
- Q-70 needs to investigate methods to incorporate additional commercial technologies to meet evolving Navy requirements
- Methods need to be developed that utilize Multiservice Networking Technologies to reduce/eliminate multiple point-to-point interfaces while providing long term support



Sensor Data Distribution



Sharing Combat System Sensor Information requires highly reliable data delivery

- Data delivery system must include low latency, deterministic, fault-tolerant and secure transport mechanisms
- Radar/Video Data Distribution requires high-bandwidth as well as the above transport mechanisms
- Promising advances in sensor processing algorithms and networking technology such as compression technology and increased bandwidth capabilities make this feasible
- A Next Generation Radar Scan Converter that bridges the gap from point-to-point to network based distribution is required



Potential Q-70 Solutions for Multimedia Data Distribution



- Multimedia (voice, video, telephony)
 - Widely accepted and standards based solutions are commercially available, designed to run on variable QOS links
 - Numerous commercial multimedia conferencing applications available
- Shared Applications
 - Enables collaborative decision making, widely accepted and standards based solutions are commercially available
 - Most conferencing applications also include collaboration features
- Predominant Standards currently include ITU H.323, T.120 and IETF RTP/RTCP



Q-70 Network Infrastructure



Q-70 product offerings will be enhanced to provide common networking infrastructure.

- A fundamental component of IT-21 and current combat systems is an underlying network architecture to share data between users.
- Sharing data requires more than network interface cards; a network consists of switches, routers, bridges and network interface cards, as well as the software and tools to manage the network resources.
- The Q-70 product offerings will be enhanced to provide a common networking infrastructure which includes hardware (switches, routers and bridges) and software (SNMP agents/MIBS, ASVADS clients/servers).



Q-70 Network Infrastructure (Cont)



- AEGIS is using ASVADS and MTT to help manage their network; investigate this approach for non-AEGIS applications.
- The management, security and control of networks resources
 - Resource management and performance monitoring
 - Lessons learned from HiPer-D and ADCON-21
 - Quality of Service
 - Firewall and Gateway functionality

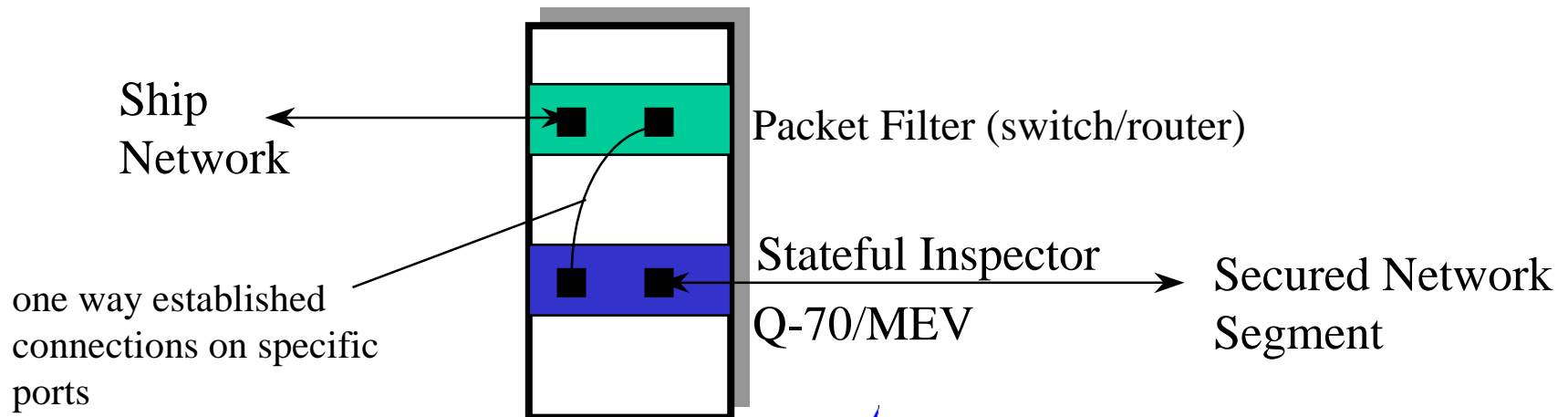


Q-70 Network Security Infrastructure



Network Centric computing/infrastructure will require “Stateful Inspectors” at numerous points on the networks

- Critical system objects must be protected from not only external attacks, but internal as well
- Combination of switch/router to perform first-level packet filter security (and reflexive access lists), followed by a Q-70/MEV “Stateful Inspector” box to form a two-level Firewall.





Challenges



The Challenge for the future is to bring the IT-21 network centric computing to mission critical applications

- Need solution for fast failover redundancy in existing mission critical systems (FDDI is obsolete)
- How Do Mission Critical and Mission Essential Systems Coexist
 - Can Mission Essential support mission critical requirements
 - Running Mission Essential applications in a mission critical environment
 - How do Mission Critical and Mission Essential systems coexist on a common network infrastructure
- How does IT-21 Thin Client-Server Model fit into Q-70



Strategy

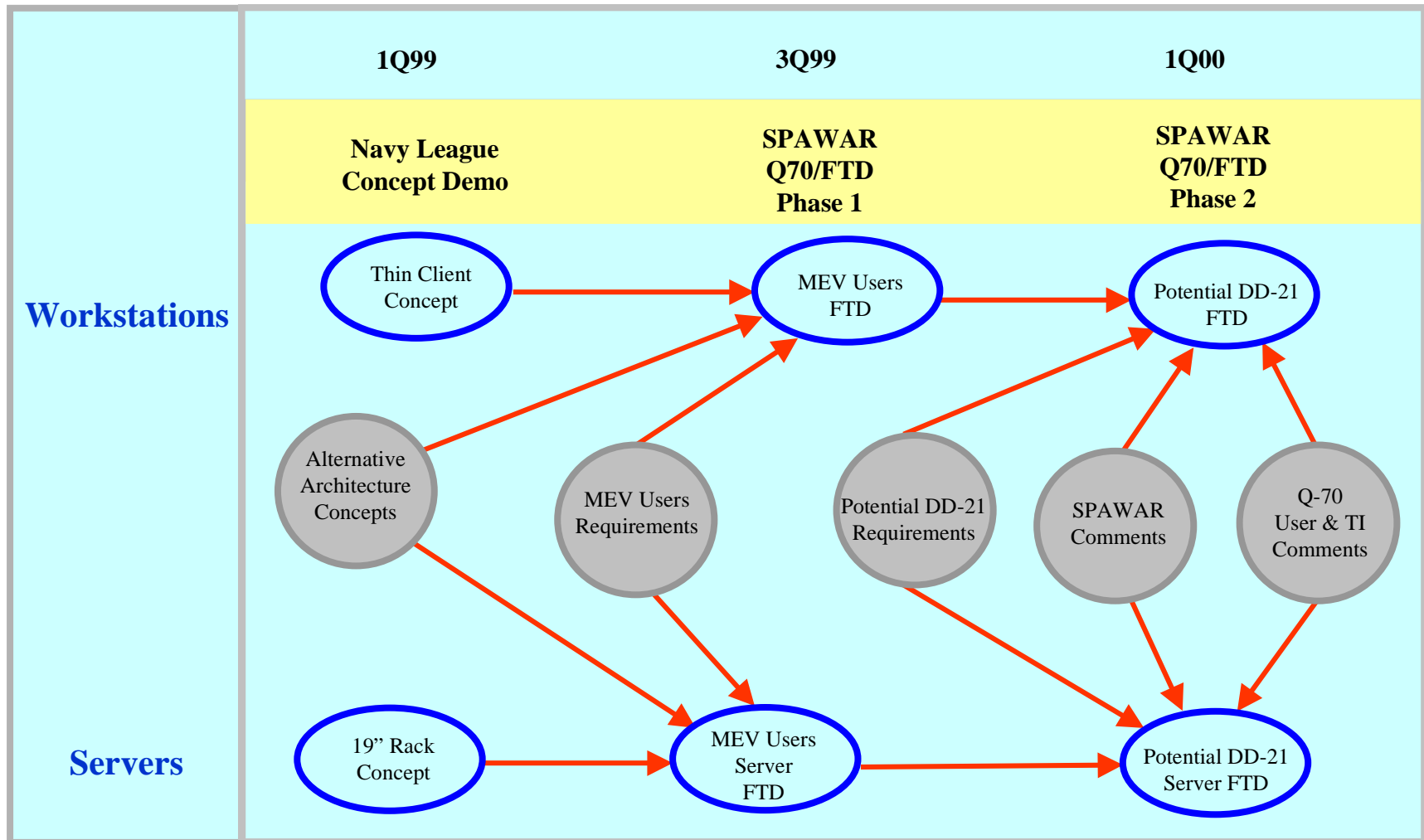


The Q-70 IT-21 partnership is focused on synergy, and capitalizes on investment made by both programs

- Establish Q-70 Test Suite for advanced system development, interoperability demonstration, and technical/operational evaluation.
- Establish a working relationship with SPAWAR to:
 - Develop/implement a Q-70 Mission Critical Equipment interface to NWI
 - Capitalize on SPAWAR networking expertise
 - Enhance Q-70 product offerings through interaction with SPAWAR, Q-70 Users, and support labs.



Q-70/SPAWAR Cooperation





Summary of IT-21 Recommendations



- Formalize NAVSEA / SPAWAR relationship (i.e. organizational roles, responsibilities, and commitments).
- Commence investigation of Q-70 / IT-21 technology “areas of interest”.
 - Middleware
 - DCOM, CORBA, Java, DII COE
 - Multiservice Information Distribution
 - Sensor Data
 - Multimedia (voice, video, telephony)
 - Network Infrastructure
 - Devices, Management Agents
 - Multi-level Security