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#### **ABSTRACT**

Summaries of the welcoming and opening remarks for a symposium on the standards issues that will affect the federal government's planning, acquisition, and use of integrated computer and telecommunications systems over the next five years set the stage for the keynote address by Joseph Timko of IBM entitled "Standards--Perspectives and Evolution." Notes, outlines, and/or viewgraphs used by individual presenters in the two sessions of the symposium are then provided. Six presentations and a panel discussion in the first session examined issues related to the interconnection of large systems, including discussions of the open system interconnection, the government open systems interconnection profile (GOSIP), the integrated systems digital network (ISDN), local area networks, computer aided logistics support (CALS), and electronic data exchange. The six presentations and panel discussion in the second session focused on issues related to making incompatible applications communicate, or software portability. Individual presentat ons examined office document architecture and interchange, the distributed office applications model, operating systems standards, database management systems, standards for the evaluation and selection of distributed database applications, and a user's perspective of the standards process. A summary of the closing remarks and a list of attendess conclude the report. (EW)

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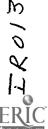
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To: Attendees at the "Systems Communicating with Systems" Symposium

Attached are copies of the slides and viewgraphs that were presented at the December 3, 1987 symposium, "Systems Communicating with Systems."

We appreciate the participation of the speakers and the attendees who contributed significantly to the success of our program. Our goal was to exchange information on the major standards issues that will affect the Federal government's planning, acquisition and use of integrated computer and telecommunications systems over the next five years. We welcome your ideas on issues that should be discussed in future exchanges.

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#### **AGENDA**

### GSA/NBS SYMPOSIUM INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT: SYSTEMS COMMUNICATING WITH SYSTEMS

A session especially designed by senior managers for senior management officials

### December 3, 1987 National Bureau of Standards Gaithersburg, MD

8:30 am	REGISTRATION AND COFFEE
9:00 am	WELCOME
	James Burrows Director, Institute for Computer Sciences and Technology National Bureau of Standards
9:10 am	OPENING REMARKS
	Frank Carr Commissioner Information Resources Management Service General Services Administration
9:20 am	KEYNOTE ADDRESS
	Joseph Timko Vice President, AT&T Architecture Bell Laboratories
9:50 am	PROGRAM INTRODUCTION
	Shirley Radack Institute for Computer Sciences and Technology National Bureau of Standards
	William Rinehuls Information Resources Management Service General Services Administration



The major technology advancements which will aid you to plan the integration of incompatible telecommunications, network technology, and ADP equipment.

#### A - CURRENT SYSTEM ISSUES

OSI", "ISDN" and "GOSIP" are the current brizzwords in networking technology. What are they? What problems are they solving? How can they help you?

Session Chairman: Kevin Mills

Chief, Systems and Network Architecture Division

**NBS** 

#### 10:00 am Open Systems Interconnection

The Open Systems Interconnection approach has been widely acknowledged as the key to improved connectivity of systems and networks. What is it? What does it do for you?

Joseph S. De Blasi

Director of Standards

**IBM** Corporation

#### Government Open Systems Interconnection Profile (GOSIP)

Using the OSI approach, what has the Government done to develop a specification for Government OSI procurements?

Kevin Mills

**NBS** 

#### Integrated Systems Digital Network (ISDN)

Widely heralded as the real long-range solution to the problems of voice, data and video interchange, what is it? When will it be here?

John Robertson

Head, Network Architecture Planning Department

AT&T Bell Laboratories

#### 11:00 am COFFEE

#### 11:20 B - EMERGING NETWORK ISSUES

What are emerging network issues? How is that technology being put into to practical use today by senior systems managers?

#### Local Area Networks

What is happening in local area network technology and standardization to help you plan for future network acquisitions?

Gary Robinson

Manager, Corporate Standards

Digital Equipment Corporation

#### Computer Aided Logistics Support (CALS)

One integrated approach, using a variety of standards, to support a complex Government logistics function. How can this approach benefit you in your organization?

Bruce Lepisto

Office of Secretary of Defense

#### **Electronic Data Interchange**

What is this technology and how can it help you solve ADP and telecommunications data interchange problems?

Ben Milbrant

**EDI** Manager

Navistar Corporation

#### 12:20 pm PANEL DISCUSSION

Speakers from Sessions IA and IB with audience interaction

1:00 pm LUNCH (NBS Cafeteria)



## SESSION 2 - MAKING INCOMPATIBLE APPLICATIONS COMMUNICATE - SOFTWARE PORTABILITY

The major system advances that are enhancing software portability as an aid to making applications communicate. What are recent advances in office applications and how are they being put to use in the Government today?

Session Chairman: Lawrence Welsch Office Systems Engineering Group

NBS

#### 2:00 pm Office Document Architecture and Interchange

What are the real problems in document transfer?

What are the possible solutions?

Lawrence Welsch

**NBS** 

**Distributed Office Application Model** 

What is it? How will it help solve the problems of office computer incompatibility and allow different manufacturers products to run in the same system?

Robert Christie

Manager, Technology and Publications Products

Control Data Corporation

Operating Systems Standards

Is POSIX the final solution to having an standard operating system environment? What exactly is POSIX? a new operating system? an operating system "interface"? What does that mean?

Roger Martin

Software Engineering Group Leader

**NBS** 

Data Base Management Systems

First there were no DBMS standards and every Agency had its own; now there are two with more on the way. Why do we need so many? Are some better than others?

Donald Deutsch

Manager, Technology Development

**GE Information Systems** 

#### 3:20 pm COFFEE BREAK

#### 3:35 pm Distributed Data Base Applications

What standards should be considered in evaluating and selecting products for distributed data base applications?

Chris Reedy

Computer Corporation of America

A User's Perspective of the Standards Process

What does the user really need? Does the process respond to user requirements.

Joanna Vanderwilt

Boeing Commercial Airplane Company

#### 4:15 pm PANEL DISCUSSION

Speakers from Session II with audience interaction

5:00 pm CLOSING REMARKS

Frank Carr

5:15 pm ADJOURN



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Conformance Test Suite to test conformance of
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He served as Director of the Station Systems and Business Terminal Laboratory. He became Executive Director of the Residence Communications and Customer Services Division responsible for the design and development of all consumer telephone and terminal products. He then served as Executive Director of the Business Systems Division, responsible for Product Family System Architecture, Product Management and Application Software Systems.

In 1986, he assumed responsibilities as Vice President of the AT&T Architecture organization. The mission of the organization is to ensure that the products and services provided by AT&T are compatible and unified through an AT&T Architecture.

He currently also serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Corporation for Open Systems.



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### Welcome

James Burrows
National Bureau of Standards



#### Summary of Opening Remarks

#### James Burrows

I am pleased to be here to welcome you to the National Bureau of Standards, and to this conference on Systems Communicating with Systems. I also would like to thank Frank Carr and his staff at the GSA for working with us in organizing this conference.

This is truly the era of the computer system; not the mainframe, but the system. Large systems enable us to do things we couldn't do previously, and these systems give power and flexibility to the user. Users may not be able to solve all the problems working alone at PCs, despite their enthusiasm of the last several years about PCs. It's clear we're going to need distributed systems within the enterprises of the government and interconnections with cooperating systems for productive information handling.

The development of systems is a challenge both to the planner and the technician. Systems are complex; they don't stand alone. They're tied into other things. Interfaces change. Systems are composed of subsystems that must work together and with other systems. The systems must be built in such a way that they can be upgraded in part or in whole without complete replacement of all the hardware and all the procedures.

The next ten years, I think, will be critical throughout government and industry in developing and implementing the needed standards for computer systems and the needed implementations within the products. We need a coherent set of standards to exchange data, pictures, text as digital information, to achieve open architecture, multi-vendor systems and networks, and to develop and operate systems that are secure and reliable. Some of the standards that will be essential include the application profiles such as MAP, TOP and GOSIP to achieve interoperability of open systems. MAP, TOP, and GOSIP are just the beginning of what's needed. We have to go beyond the electronic messaging and file transfer applications to include graphics data exchange, office document interchange, and other applications.

The government and industry have been working together to develop consistent profiles that support distributed activity. The Department of Defense has taken an early leadership in both demonstrating prototype standards and committing to the OSI standards which are coming.



Data element standards such as the X12 standards for electronic data interchange have been around for many years. Now, it's becoming clear both to the manufacturers and to the buyers that a common system is needed, and that it's time for the government to get on board using the X12 standards.

We're going to need standards for intersystem queries and format standards for preparing messages. We're going to need data dictionary and directory standards to assist the user in finding where information is located and what it means. We'll need security standards for distributed systems. You must have ways to purge false messages, recover from outages, and restart. These are all difficult problems and we need standard ways to solve them. I think we have a full ten years ahead if we are to develop the standards that are needed.

Standards such as those I mentioned and those being discussed here today are essential if we are to make progress in our use of computer technology. The technology continues to evolve and we must work together to get the standards in place that will let us exploit the technology in our organizations. I hope you'll learn a lot here today, and I hope you'll be able to work with all of us in getting you and your organization on board for the 1990s. Thank you very much.



# **Opening Remarks**

Frank Carr

General Services Administration



#### Summary of Opening Remarks

#### Frank Carr

What I'd like to do in the next few minutes, is to give you a perspective that will tend to be a little bit more of the perspective of managers as they look at the issue of standards.

I think it's interesting that we have such a diverse group meeting here today and that within the past thirty days we've had publications as diverse as <u>Datamation</u> and <u>Business Week</u> featuring the current problems that we have in the Federal government regarding standards and procurement of computer products. As I think about the subject I'm reminded of something that Will Rogers said, "It's not what you know that gets you into trouble, it's what you know that ain't so". In recent weeks in getting involved a little bit more in the standards area, particularly as related to procurement, I keep running across different perceptions that people have that are incorrect. What I would like to do is to just run through a list of things to illustrate some of these things that one has to understand about standards and where they're going.

The first one is that when you ask most people what a standard is, they respond that it's something that comes out of a voluntary standards making group. But, when you get right down to it, a standard is a set of specifications that are needed to be able buy a product. Then you have to get into the issue of how do you validate that you got what you specified. That is a procurement outlook as far as specifications are concerned. The early purpose of specifications was to achieve interchangeability of parts within a single product.

Standards have a role in creating markets. When electric shavers first came on the marketplace, there were only two suppliers. They did't go into competition with each other. What they did was to get together jointly to create a market for electric shavers. Then what you had was competition between electric shavers and the blade. We have something similar going on in our area. We have the issue of competition between a standard product and proprietary products. Or, as some would say, between commodities and products that have additional value associated with them.

The Brooks Act assigned to NBS the role of establishing government standards. But what is sometimes forgotten is that the purpose of that was to achieve volume procurement. The early standards regarding higher level language compilers were not for the purpose of achieving interchangeability. The purpose was to require the government to buy standard computers. We have



an executive order that says to use voluntary standards. The purpose of that particular executive order was that the government should not be buying products that have unique specifications. We should be buying commercial products.

Currently we find ourselves very much in a state of flux. We find that instead of standards being set in order to achieve uniformity within existing products that are being offered, we find standards are really specifications for future products. Then we get into the problem of the timeliness of those standards.

The standards are moving away from individual components and becoming systems oriented. Standards are becoming more of a design tool rather than strictly procurement. There are a lot of things that are changing in this area, and I think one of them is what the role of the user is in the standards making process as opposed to the role of the vendors, and the intent on the part at least of the government is for the users in government to play a larger role in establishing what standards the government will use.

There is also the issue of mandatory standards versus discretionary standards. Under the current way in which we establish standards, the standards are mandatory. Agencies must get a waiver in order to deviate from those standards. If they simply specify the standards, that satisfies the procurement regulations. However, we can establish standards which agencies may choose to use. Then if they choose to use them, there is a requirement that they justify the use of those standards. In those two cases we have on the one hand the Brooks Act as the basis for the statutory authority to do something, and in the other case we have the Competition and Contracting Act as the authority.

These are just a set of choughts regarding standards in the changing environment that we have right now. I have the unique position in today's agenda to both start with some opening remarks, and to have some closing ones. So, at the close of today I may correct some of the things that I have said here. Thank you very much.



## **Keynote Address**

Joseph Timko
AT&T Architecture, Bell Laboratories



# Joseph Timko, Vice President AT&T Architecture, Bell Laboratories STANDARDS - PERSPECTIVES AND EVOLUTION

Historically, when one goes back as little as 10-15 years, the standards bodies were more a forum for semi-academic exercises. Typically, the participants in the standards bodies did not play leading roles in shaping their companies or governments information processing capability. There were some major players that effectively determined de facto standards for information networking. However, much has happened over the last decade. Information technology has exploded for both computing and telecommunications. Users have become a voracious consumer of information technology to realize operational efficiencies and to meet the demands of the marketplace. The divestiture of AT&T has replaced a powerful unifying force with multiple competing views on telecommunications directions. During this period data networking, transaction processing and information services have come of age. Today, standards are a strategic force for users, vendors and governments. Participants in the standards bodies represent their organization's strategic business directions in the standards process. Users demand standards-based, multi-vendor inter-operable systems for applications networking.

Networking standards have increased tremendously in complexity with the addition of data networking and applications networking. In comparison, the protocol architecture for voice networking is relatively simple because communicating humans can flexibly perform the functions of the OSI upper layers. Today, there are a large number of sub-network alternatives for transporting voice and data (i.e., private line, DDD, LANs, X.25 and ISDN). There is also a rich array of options and capabilities associated with the OSI upper layers, notably at the application layer, where capabilities exist for message handling, file transfer, network management, transaction processing, virtual terminals, EDI, etc.

As a result of the exploding networking complexity driver by technology and user needs, there has been a corresponding explosion in the standards world. The number of standards bodies has expanded significantly; existing major standards bodies like CCITT and ISO have significantly expanded both the scope and depth of their standards work; and the number of participants (i.e., users, vendors and governments) has also increased in dramatic fashion.

The most important perspective on the standards process is to recognize that it is the largest joint development ever undertaken. In working task groups or sub-committees of the standards bodies, design engineers from competing companies work side by side in a cooperative effort to generate development specifications for hardware and software system modules. The OSI protocol layers are development specifications that must be implemented by vendors in their various products in exactly the same way in order to achieve inter-operability. The efficiency and output of the joint



development process in the standards bodies is necessarily subject to company, national, and regional competitive and political forces. These natural counter-productive forces do slow down the standards process. However, there are powerful foces that accelerate the standards process, including user and vendor consortia of various kinds like MAP/TOP, COS, SPAG, POSI and others. Of course, the major overriding objective of all participants is to work towards a global networking architecture to minimize wasted and duplicative efforts and to achieve inter-operability. Thus, there are powerful movements towards generating "harmonized" functional profiles.

The evolution of standards is driven fundamentally by market needs and user demands but the implementation is shaped by evolving information technologies. These technologies not only include basic technologies like integrated cricuits, pactonics and software but also system technologies like signal processing, packet switching, computer architectures, human/machine interfaces, etc. The standards process has grown tremendously not only in the scope and depth of the work undertaken but also in terms of the strategic importance of the output to users and vendors. one can focus on some of the shortcomings of the efforts in the standards bodies, I would rather focus on its achievements. example, ISDN--which has been a decade in the making--is a reality and, with its evolution to broadband networking, will fulfill the vision of what we in AT&T have called Universal Information The international standards movement will be the basis for the emerging information age.



# HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE STANDARDS EVOLUTION

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**DE-FACTO STANDARDS** 

**USER IGNORANCE** 

**TECHNOLOGY** 

**DATA NETWORKS** 

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**DIVESTITURE** 

MARKET NEED

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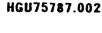


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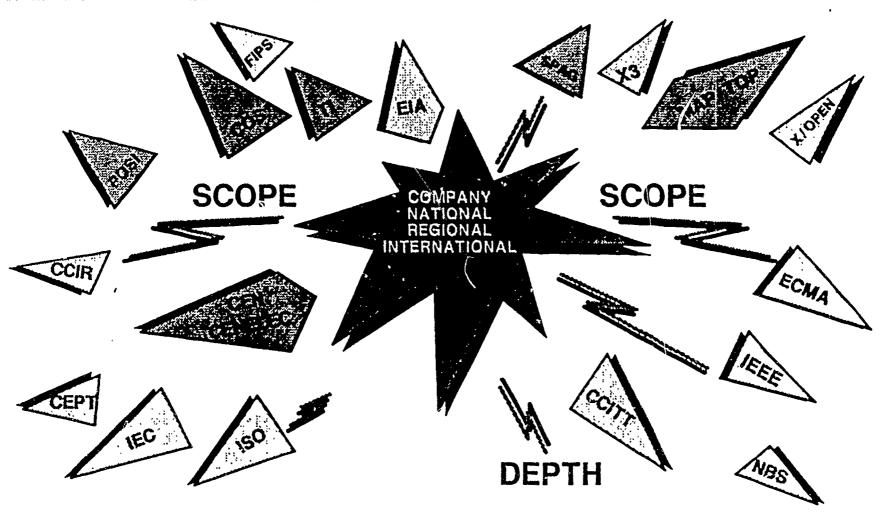
# NETWORKING STANDARDS

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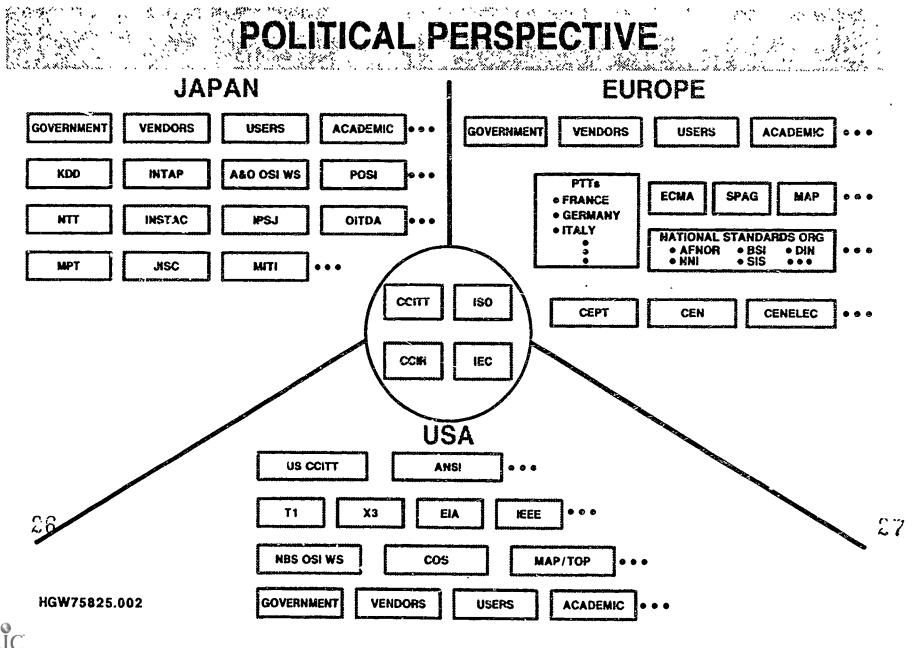
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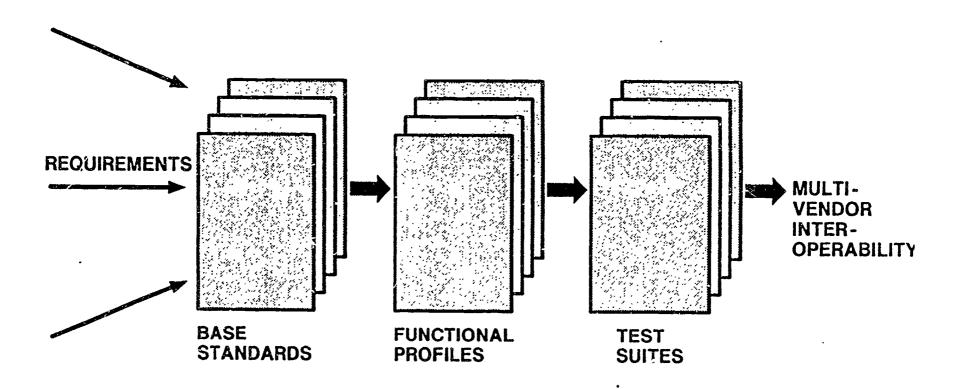
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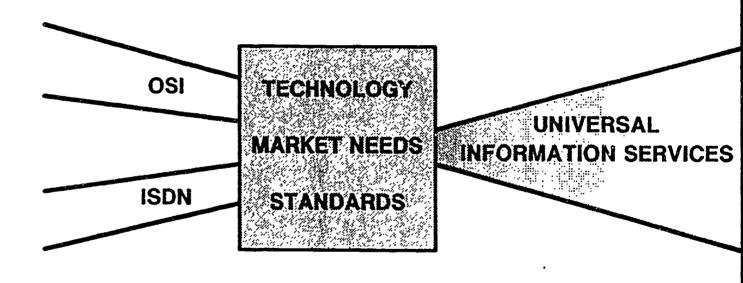
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## **ACHIEVING INTEROPERABILITY**









## **Session 1 - Interconnecting Large Systems**

A - Current System Issues

**Open Systems Interconnection** 

Joseph S. DeBlasi IBM Corporation



#### GSA/NBS SYMPOSIUM

#### SYSTEMS COMMUNICATING WITH SYSTEMS

It is a pleasure to be with you this morning and I thank you for inviting me to discuss some of our thoughts regarding the implementation of OSI.

- O IN IBM WE SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDS THAT MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA AND BASED ON THIS CRITERIA WE HAVE SUPPORTED AND PARTICIPATED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF OSI
  - Standards address real user requirements
  - Standards do not restrict innovation (concepts, applications, technologies)
  - Standards are functionally sufficient and economically sound
  - Standards are recognized worldwide (International Standards)

In discussing OSI it is important to understand its definition, its objectives, and also what it is not meant to be.

#### WHAT IS OSI

- OSI is a set of international standards for systems interconnection, transport, and communications services.
- OSI provides a common basis for the coordination of standards development for the purpose of systems interconnection.

#### WHAT IS THE OBJECTIVE OF OSI

- The objective of OSI is to define a set of open (public) standards to enable real systems to cooperate.



OSI provides the framework for the interconnection of systems and the exchange of information between those systems and consists of a reference model, service specifications and protocol specifications.

#### o WHAT OSI IS NOT

- Not the internal functioning of each individual system.
- Implementation of the standards is left to the discretion of the individual system entity.
- All other aspects of systems which are not related to interconnection are outside the scope of OSI.

IBM has demonstrated its support for OSI for the following reasons, and we have established and been involved in a number of activities worldwide to further the development and implementation of OSI.

#### IBM SUPPORTS OSI

- IBM supports OSI because we believe it is addressing a true user requirement for systems interconnection between systems of different architecture.
- It does not restrict innovation in that it does not limit the further development of the individual architectures and systems approaches.
- With the advent of a transaction processing capability which is now under development, OSI will be functionally sufficient for its primary purpose of systems-to-systems interconnection.
- It certainly is recognized worldwide and is based on international standards.



#### IBM OSI ACTIVITIES

- Established the European Networking Center in Heidelberg, Germany, to research the higher layers of OSI and to exchange information among users, researchers and computer manufacturers.
- Established an OSI verification service in La Gaude, France, to provide a convenient and effective means of verifying that systems supporting OSI protocols operate properly with IBM systems offering equivalent functions.
- Established the Zurich Research Center whose primary mission is to perform communications research which includes LANS and OSI.
- Created new telecommunications development centers in Rome, Italy, and Palo Alto, California, to develop worldwide strategic OSI products.
- Joined OSINET sponsored by the National Bureau of Standards (NBS). The goal of OSINET is to provide a common set of OSI protocols by which all participants can communicate with each other to do development and research.
- Joined EUROSINET which was formed by a group of European suppliers of telecommunications products and services. Its mission is similar in scope to OSINET.
- Joined the Corporation for Open Systems whose goals are to accelerate OSI standards development, select a subset of standards to be implemented and provide a conformance testing capability that is recognized on a worldwide basis.
- Joined SPAG (Standards Promotion and Application Group).



However, the implementation of OSI is not as simple as the general concepts and is the reason for a number of activities which have developed worldwide.

#### IMPLEMENTATION OF OSI

In particular, I would like to discuss the following:

- The development and orientation of such areas as:

Base standards
Functional profiles
Systems profiles
Application implementation

Testing/conformance Certification/marks

- Of course, it would be difficult to discuss these areas without also discussing the primary organizations involved in these activities. These, of course, include:

ISO/IEC, JTC1 COS, SPAG, POSI MAP/TOP NBS WORKSHOP, EWOS, ITAP

#### o STANDARDS AREA

- Organization of JTC1
- SC21-OSI activities
- SSI/ODP (Systems Software Interface/Open Distributed Processing)
- Handling of corrections and changes



We must take an integrated view of standards, functional profiles, systems profiles and application implementation

# o SPECIAL WORKING GROUP-FUNCTIONAL STANDARDS (ISPs International Standardized Profiles)

- The purpose of the Special Working Group
- Development of functional profiles
  - -- International workshops NBS, EWOS, ITAP (COS, SPAG)
  - -- GOSIP documents (procurement)
- U.S. participation/European leadership
- Role of COS, MAP/TOP National or International

It is also very important at this time to discuss the question of conformance which is a necessary part of the process, however, we do not believe there is a need for certification and marks which will only increase costs and provides no real additional assurance to the user.

#### VIEWS ON THE NEED FOR AGREED TO TESTS

- For assurance to meet the standards
- Development of criteria standards
- Cooperative effort for development of tests and test tools
- Must be integrated in the development and manufacturing process
- Cannot assure interoperability

#### VIEWS ON CERTIFICATION AND MARKS

- Not necessary and not practical
- Increased costs



In summary, I would like to stress the following major points:

#### o SUMMARY

- Established need for OSI
- Established need for agreed to test and test tools to test conformity to the standards
- No established need for certification and marks
- Profiles are important and can add to the proper implementation of OSI
- Organizations must get their act together
- U.S. must maintain a leadership role

Again, I would like to thank you for your invitation. It was a pleasure and privilege to participate in this symposium.



# Government Open Systems Interconnection Profile (GOSIP)

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### **SCOPE**

TO ALLOW COMMUNICATION AND INTEROPERATION AMONG END SYSTEMS AND INTERMEDIATE SYSTEMS ON DIFFERENT SUBNETWORKS.

### **PURPOSE**

TO CO-ORDINATE THE ACQUISITION AND OPERATION OF OSI PRODUCTS BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT



### **APPLICABILITY**

- O TO BE USED BY ALL FEDERAL
  GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WHEN ACQUIRING
  PRODUCTS AND SERVICES WHICH PROVIDE
  THE GENERAL FUNCTIONAL EQUIVALENCE
  OF THE PROTOCOLS CONTAINED IN GOSIP
- o FOR TWO YEARS AGENCIES ARE PERMITTED TO PURCHASE ALTERNATIVE PROTOCOLS
- o WAIVERS SHOULD BE REQUESTED FOR SPECIAL PURPOSE NETWORKS OR PRODUCTS SUPPORTING NETWORK RESEARCH



# INITIAL NETWORK TECHNOLOGIES REFERENCED BY GOSIP

- o X.25
- 0 802.3
- o 802.4
- 0 802.5

# INITIAL APPLICATIONS REFERENCED BY GOSIP

- o FILE TRANSFER, ACCESS, AND MANAGEMENT
- o MESSAGE HANDLING SYSTEMS (X.400)



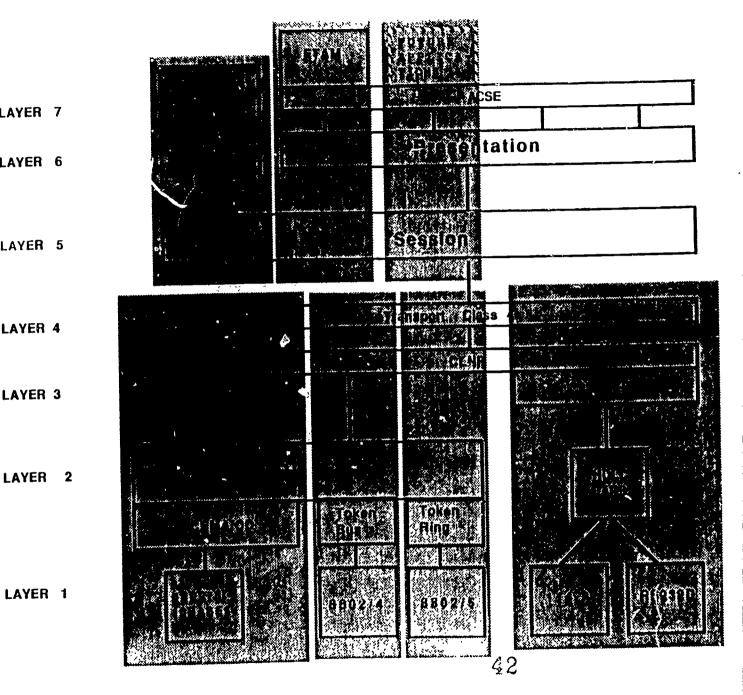


FIGURE 3.1 GOVERNMENT OSI ARCHITECTURE



LAYER 7

LAYER 6

LAYER 5

LAYER 4

LAYER 3

LAYER 1

- o GOSIP IS BASED ON AGREEMENTS REACHED IT THE NBS/OSI IMPLEMENTORS WORKSHOP
- O GOSIP IS FUNCTIONALLY COMPATIBLE WITH THE MAP AND TOP SPECIFICATIONS
- OR SOON WILL BE ON THE MARKETPLACE

#### TESTING OF GOSIP PROTOCOLS

- o CONFORMANCE TESTING
- o INTEROPERABILITY TESTING
- o PERFORMANCE TESTING



- O GOSIP CREATED AND REVISED BY GOSIP INITIAL SPECIFICATION GROUP
- o COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM 24
  GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, 18 VENDORS/
  USERS



#### CHANGE PROCEDURES

- o REVISIONS
- o ADDENDA
- o ERRATA



# ORGANIZATIONS CONTRIBUTING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF GOSIP

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

NASA

NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET



# GOVERNMENT AGENCIES RESPONDING TO GOSIP DOCUMENT

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

DEPARTMENT OF NAVY

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY** 

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

FEDERAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

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NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

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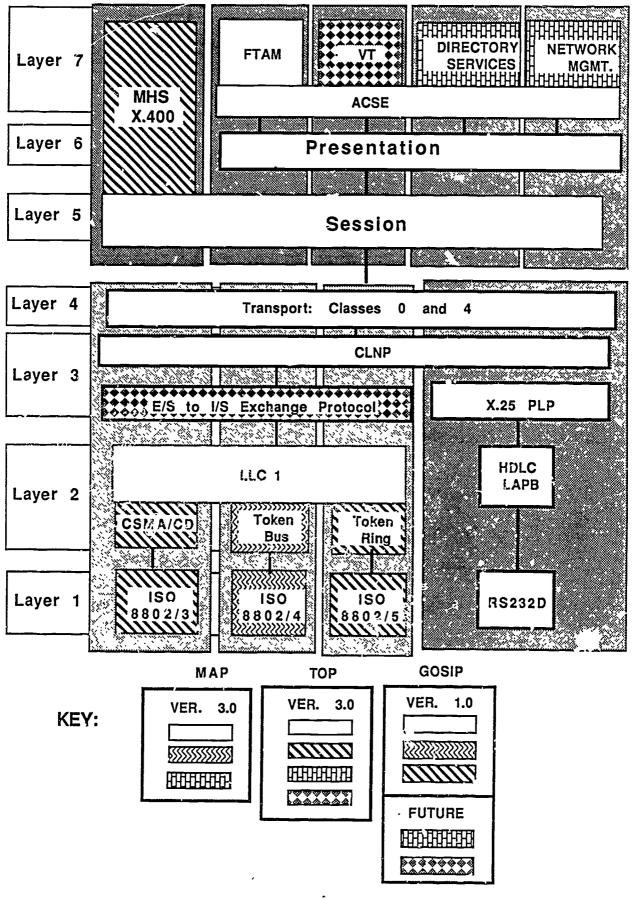
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#### YENDORS/USERS RESPONDING TO GOSIP DOCUMENT

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#### WHAT'S NEXT?

- o GOSIP WILL BE PUBLISHED AS A FEDERAL INFORMATION PROCESSING STANDARD
- O GOSIP ADVANCED REQUIREMENTS GROUP
- o GOSIP USER'S GUIDE



#### GOSIP PROTOCOLS & POSIX

- O IMPLEMENT GOSIP PROTOGOLS IN OPENLY AVAILABLE FORM
- o POSIX-CONFORMANT BERKELEY UNIX
- o PROTOCOLS IN BSD KERNEL
  - TRANSPORT CLASS 4
  - CLNP
  - ES-IS
  - 802.3 AND X.25
- o PROTOCOLS IN ISODE
  - SESSION, PRESENTATION, ROS, ACSE
  - FTAM, X.400, VTP
  - DIRECTORY SERVICES
  - FTAM/FTP AND X.400/SMTP GATEWAYS





#### ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF DIRECTORS, DEFENSE AGENCIES

SUBJECT: Open Systems Interconnection Protocols

There has been recent rapid progress in the specification and implementation of computer protocols based on the International Organization for Standardization model for Open Systems Interconnection (OSI). The Government OSI Profile (GOSIP), dated 22 April 1987, contains sufficient information to specify adequately and acquire interoperable vendor implementations of OSI message handling and file transfer capabilities. Therefore, the policy on standardization of host-to-host protocols for data communications, promulgated by USDR&E memo of 23 March 1982, is modified as follows. The OSI message handling and file transfer protocols, together with their underlying protocols as defined in GOSIP, are adopted as experimental co-standards to the DoD protocols which provide similar services (MIL-STDs 1777, 1778, 1780, and 1781). These OSI protocols may be specified in addition to, in lieu of, or as an optional alternative to DoD protocols, in cases where the current DoD protocol applicability statements apply. They are designated as experimental because of the limited operational experience currently available with the OSI protocols and the limited operational, testing, and security environment currently defined in GOSIP. Services and agencies choosing to implement OSI protocols at this time should carefully evaluate these factors and be prepared to deal with the complications which may accompany the introduction of new technology.

It is intended to adopt the OSI protocols as a full costandard with the DoD protocols when GOSIP is formally approved as a Federal Information Processing Standard. Two years thereafter, the OSI protocols would become the sole mandatory interoperable protocol suite; however, a capability for interoperation with DoD protocols would be provided for the expected life of systems supporting the DoD protocols.



In order to extend the OSI protocol capabilities and provide interoperability between the DoD and OSI protocols as rapidly as possible, the following actions are requested:

- a. The Director, Defense Communications Agency, as the DoD Executive Agent for Data Communications Protocol Standards, should:
- o Publish by November 1987 the DoD-OSI Interoperability and Transition Plan. The plan should provide for interoperation of the DoD and OSI protocols at the application level. A capability for experimental interoperability of DoD and OSI message handling and file transfer capabilities should be provided by March 1988, and a limited operational capability by January 1989.
- o Join the Corporation for Open Systems (COS) as the Department of Defense representative. COS is a non-profit consortium formed to deal with testing and other operational issues relating to OSI protocols. At the request of the Office of Management and Budget, the Services and other defense agencies should not join COS directly, but may participate as the agents of DCA on appropriate COS committees.
- o Coordinate Service and agency participation, in accordance with existing directives, in groups dev&loping OSI standards, specifications, and oper-ating and management procedures. These groups include the Government OSI User's Group, the National Bureau of Standards OSI Implementor's Workshops, the Corporation for Open Systems, the Manufacturing and Automation Protocol (MAP) and Technical and Office Protocol (TOP) user's groups, the American National Standards Institute X3S3 and X3T5 committees, and the NATO Tri-Service Group on Communications and Electronic Equipment, Sub-Group 9 (Data Processing and Distribution).
- b. The Director, National Security Agency should assure that the efforts of the ongoing Secure Data Network Systems program can be used to provide the security extensions defined as future work items in GOSIP.
- c. The Services and defense agenties should share the results and experience of early implementate ander the experimental coexistence policy by actively particles atting in the groups indicated above, under DCA coordination. This experience should be particularly valuable in assuring that military regiments can be satisfied by the developing OSI standards, specifications, and procedures.



This guidance provides for the interim steps necessary to continue progress toward implementation of OSI standards. As the technology matures and DoD gains additional experience, the final implementation details will be provided in a DoD Directive.

Donald C. Latham

# Integrated Systems Digital Network (ISDN)

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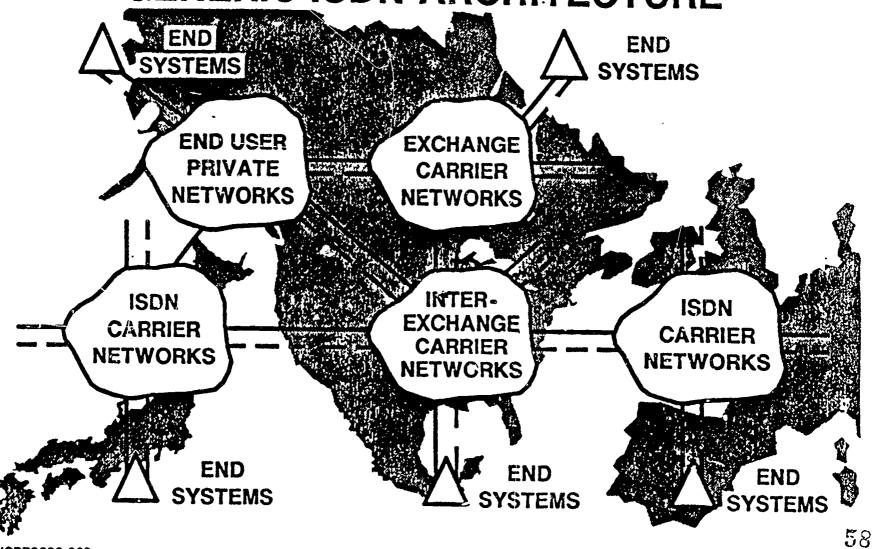


# INTEGRATED SERVICES DIGITAL NETWORK

- AN INTERNATIONAL NETWORK AND SERVICE STANDARD
- DIGITALIZATION OF ACCESS
- MULTIPLEXING OF VOICE/DATA ON LOOPS AND TRUNKS
- MESSAGE-BASED SIGNALLING AND CONTROL
- BROADBAND INTERFACE (LONG TERM) FOR INTEGRATED VOICE/DATA/IMAGE/VIDEO

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# GENERIC ISDN ARCHITECTURE



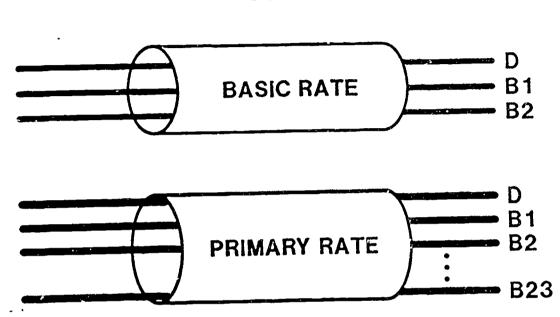
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#### ISDN



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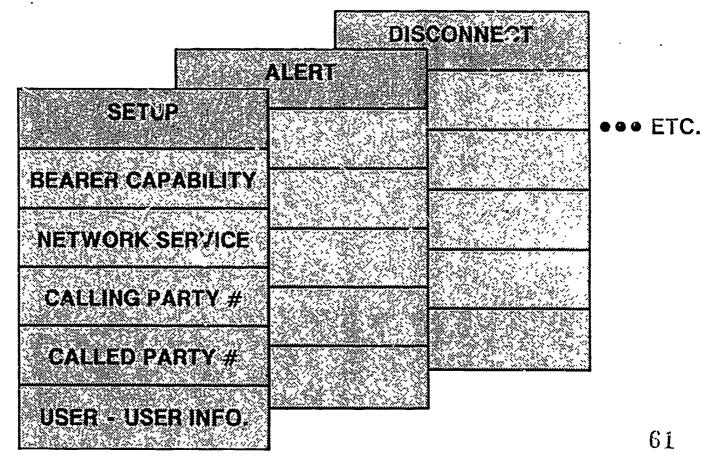


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# ISDN MESSAGE ORIENTED SIGNALING (Q.931 PROTOCOL)

FUNCTIONAL MESSAGES

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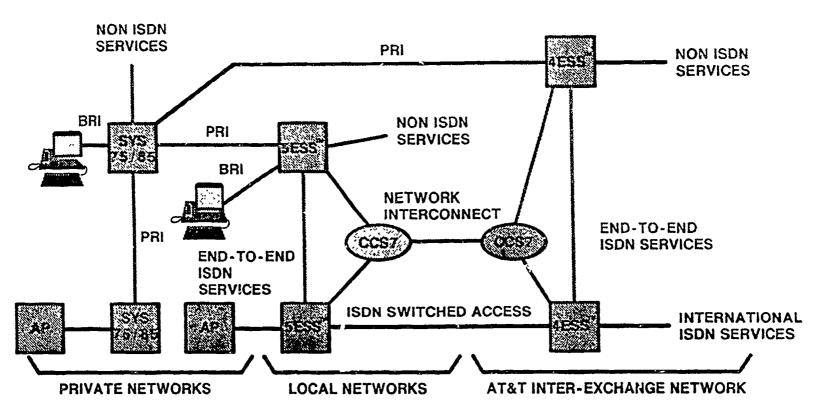
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#### AT&T ISDN SUMMARY

#### Inter-Network Connectivity\*



\*ANALOG AND PRE-ISDN CONNECTIVITY NOT SHOWN

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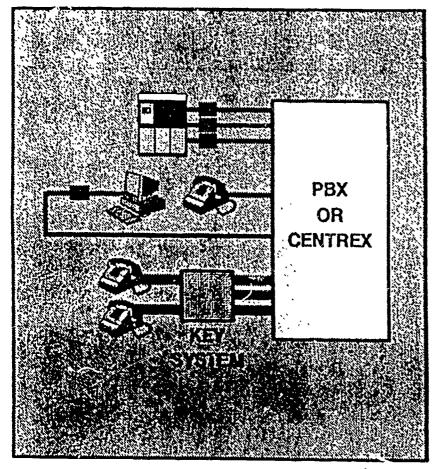


# ISDN APPLICATIONS/SERVICES

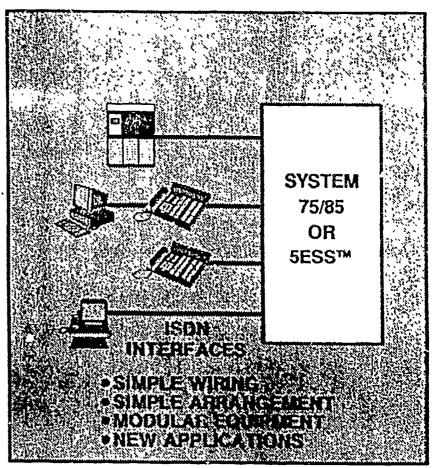
- ISDN BUSINESS CAPABILITIES
- TELEMARKETING
- DATA NETWORKING
- NETWORK MANAGEMENT

## INTEGRATED VOICE/DATA CONNECTIVITY

#### **BEFORE ISDN**



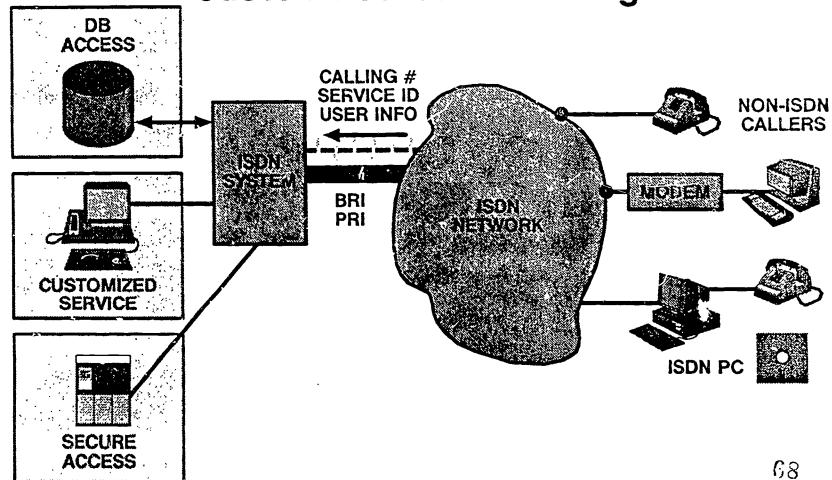
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## INTEGRATED VOICE/DATA APPLICATIONS **Customized Call Handling**

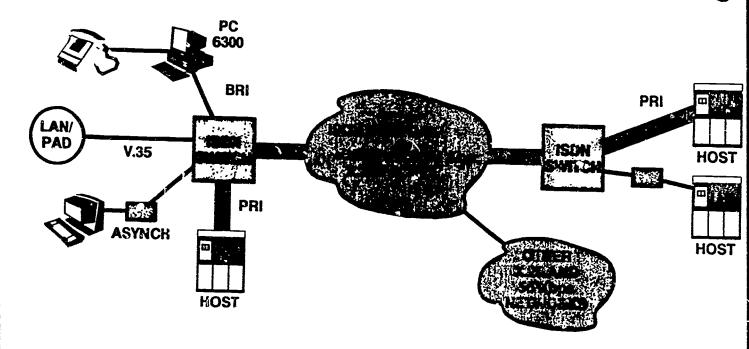


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## ISDN DATA TRANSPORT Switched 64Kbps & X.25 Packet Networking



- ↑ LOCAL AND WIDE AREA NETWORKING
- CRISIS RECOVERY
- HOST TO HOST FILE TRANSFER

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# ISDN NETWORK MANAGEMENT Initial Capabilities

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

- USER CONTROLLED SERVICE ACCESS PRICRITIES

- D-CHANNEL DIAGNOSTICS

• FAULT MANAGEMENT

- OUT OF SERVICE STATUS & CONTROL

- TEST CALLS

SECURITY MANAGEMENT

- CALLING NUMBER IDENTITY

- OUT OF BAND USER-USER INFORMATION

NETWORK PLANNING

- INCOMING CALL DEMOGRAPHICS

- PEAK SERVICE DEMANDS

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ACCOUNTING MANAGEMENT

- ANSWER SUPERVISION FOR BILLBACK

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### **Session 1 - Interconnecting Large Systems**

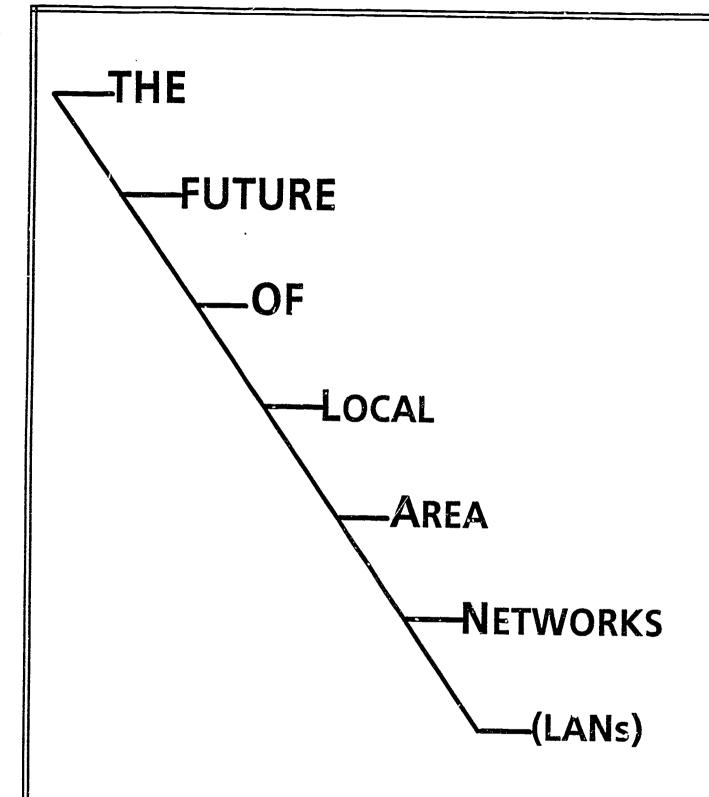
**B - Emerging Network Issues** 

#### **Local Area Networks**

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# -BACKGROUND-

- IEEE 802 family of LANs were the first significant interconnect/interface schemes <u>developed</u> in a standards committee.
- Work on the standards pre-dated the market acceptance of LANs.
  - LANs were not in general production
  - Market for LANs was not established.
- The standards process helped to develop the market for the ideas and products as the standard was developed

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# -BACKGROUND-

- When IEEE 802 began work, over 35 LAN schemes existed.
- There are now less than 5 major designs which have different user/provider models and functions.
- The users and the providers both benefit:
  - Greater demand for similar products;
  - Greater supply of similar products;
  - Interoperability of LAN designs;
  - Higher volume of LANs and LAN components has driven price of LANs down.

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# -IMPLICATIONS OF DESIGN-

#### INTEROPERABILITY

- CSMA/CD, Token Ring, Token Bus are now interoperable.
- Design goal in standards committees was to achieve and maintain this interoperability
- Allows LAN to LAN communication

#### **TRENDS**

- Expansion of the LAN base
  - Lower cost, simpler to install/operate
  - Flexible designs
  - Backward compatible
  - Interoperable
  - Simplicity of use stressed
  - User installable and operable

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## <u>FUTURE</u>

#### **UP AND DOWN 802**

- Low end LANs Twisted pair (less expensive and easier to install)
- Broad Band (larger variety of uces and users)
- Fiber Optic (distance increase and EM! solution)

#### **DESIGN GOALS**

Interoperability and backwards compatibility

#### **BRIDGE NETWORKS**

- Heterogeneous LAN networks
- Tied together
  - LANS
  - Wide Area Networks (WANs)
  - Metropolitan Area Networks (MANs)

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# STANDARDS AND LANS

- LANs designed in open committee
- Emphasize compatibility and interoperability
- Standards effort leads market developmentand the commercialization of the product
- No single provider or user dominated the process
  - Proprietary solutions are no longer acceptable
  - System interconnects are designed by standards committees
- Ultimately serve a business purpose allows better use of both computer and human resources
- The user has benefited from the process which is the goal of standardization

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# Computer Aided Logistics Support (CALS)

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# DoD Initiatives in Computer-Aided Acquisition and Logistic Support CALS

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#### WHAT IS CALS?

- INTEGRATION PROGRAM
- BRIDGE "ISLANDS OF AUTOMATION" IN DoD AND INDUSTRY DESIGN AND LUGISTICS PROCESSES
- GAIN BENEFITS OF A HIGHLY AUTOMATED AND INTEGRATED SYSTEM
  - REDUCE PAPER
  - IMPROVE TIMELINESS AND ACCURACY OF INFORMATION
  - DESIGN MORE SUPPORTABLE WEAPON SYSTEMS
  - REDUCE COSTS



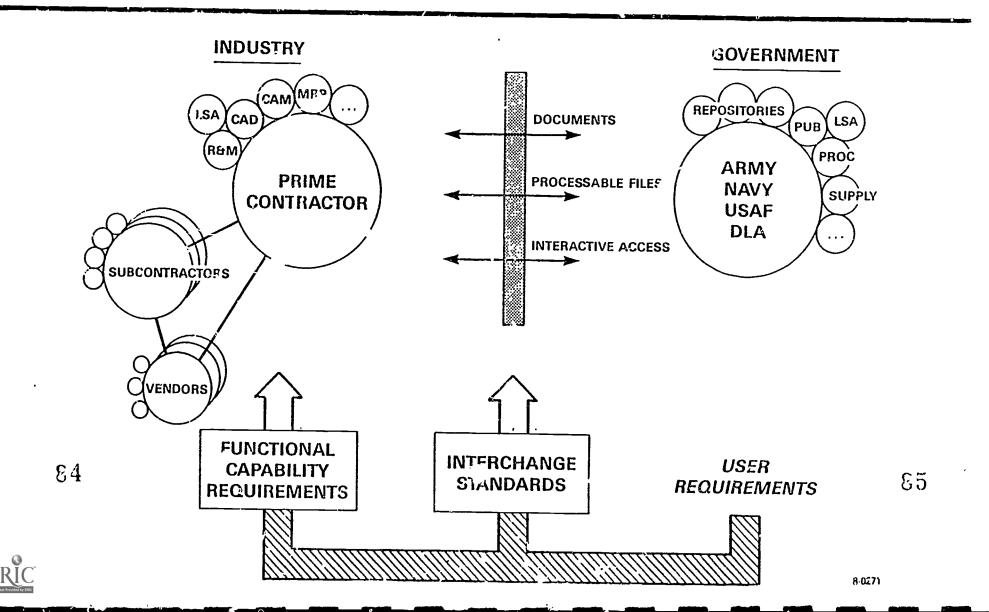
# CALS POLICY INITIATIVE (DEPSECDEF MEMORANDUM)

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- ACCELERATE INTEGRATION OF R&M DESIGN TOOLS INTO CONTRACTOR CAD/CAE SYSTEMS
- AUTOMATE CONTRACTOR PROCESSES FOR GENERATING LOGISTIC TECHNICAL INFORMATION
- RAPIDLY INCREASE DOD CAPABILITY TO RECEIVE, DISTRIBUTE AND USE TECH INFO IN DIGITAL FORM
  - BY 1990, NEW MAJOR WEAPON SYSTEMS WILL ACQUIRE TECHNICAL INFORMATION IN DIGITAL FORM



## DIGITAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE



# WEAPON SYSTEM CONTRACT - 1990's

## SPECIFIED FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- INTEGRATED DESIGN, MANUFACTURING, LOGISTICS DATA BASE
  - NEAR REAL TIME CONFIGURATION UPDATES
  - SPECIFIED GOVERNMENT ACCESS
  - DATA BASE TRANSPORTABILITY
- ONLINE R&M DESIGN TOOLS IN CAD/CAE ENVIRONMENT
- AUTOMATED GENERATION OF LOGISTIC DATA PRODUCTS
  - NO UNNECESSARY DUPLICATION OF PREPARATION EFFORT
  - PAPERLESS DELIVERY CAPABIL'TY

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# WEAPON SYSTEM CONTRACT - 1990's

### **DELIVERABLES**

- PRODUCT DEFINITION DATA (ELECTRONIC FORMAT)
  - ENGINEERING DRAWINGS
  - 3-D PRODUCT MODELS
- TECHNICAL MANUALS
  - DIGITAL TO PAPER (AUTOMATED PUBLISHING)
  - DIGITAL TO DIGITAL (EG, INTERACTIVE MAINTENANCE AIDS)
- LOGISTIC SUPPORT ANALYSIS RECORD DATA
- TRAINING MATERIALS 88
- ILS MANAGEMENT DATA

## **EVOLVING CALS TECHNOLOGIES**

	CURRENT	NEAR TERM	LONGER TERM
• TECH MANUALS	• PAPER	<ul> <li>PRINT ON DEMAND</li> <li>ELECTRONIC PAGE TURNERS</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>INTELLIGENT INTERACTIVE MAINT AIDS</li> </ul>
• ENGINEERING DWGS	• APERTURE CARDS	<ul><li>RASTER SCAN</li><li>LIMITED VECTOR TRANSFER</li></ul>	<ul> <li>COMPLETE D!GITAL PRODUCT MODEL</li> </ul>
• LOGISTIC SUPPORT ANALYSIS	• 1388 LSAR TAPE	• CONTRACTOR-SPECIFIC ONLINE ACCESS	• NEUTRAL QUERY OF HETERO- GENEOUS SYSTEMS



# CALS CORE REQUIREMENTS PACKAGES

### PHASE I

- FOCUS ON
  - A FEW MAJOR LOGISTICS APPLICATIONS
  - AVAILABLE TECHNOLOGY, STANDARDS
  - PRIMARILY "RECORDS TRANSFER" ENVIRONMENT

### PHASE II

- FOCUS ON
  - WIDER RANGE OF DESIGN, MFG, LOGISTICS APPLICATIONS
  - MORE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY, STANDARDS
  - CENTROID IS ADVANCED PRODUCT DATA MODELS
  - PRIMARILY "ONLINE ACCESS" ENVIRONMENT



### **FY-87 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- STRATEGY FOR CALS IMPLEMENTATION FORMULATED
  - INDUSTRY TASK FORCE ACTIVATED
- DRAFT PHASE I.O CORE REQUIREMENTS RELEASED
  - STANDARDS FOR ENGINEERING DRAWINGS, TECHNICAL MANUALS, LSAP.
  - EXCEPTIONAL INDUSTRY INVOLVEMENT AND SUPPORT
- LEAD WEAPON SYSTEMS DESIGNATED
  - SSN-21, V-22, ATA, ATF, LHX
  - JLC SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT
- SERVICE TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS FUNDED
  - INITIAL ELEMENTS OF CALS DISTRIBUTED TEST BED
- INCLUSION OF CALS IN DOD INFRASTRUCTURE MODERNIZATION
  - ARMY CALS, NAVY CAD, DSREDS/EDCARS, EDMICS



# CALS CORE REQUIREMENTS TECHNICAL STANDARDS

- CALS PHASE I.0
  - MIL-STD-1840A—AUTOMATED INTERCHANGE OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION
  - DOD-D-28000—DIGITAL REPRESENTATION FOR COMMUNICATION OF PRODUCT DATA: APPLICATION SUBSETS
    - DOD-D-IGES
  - DOD-M-28001—MARKUP REQUIREMENTS AND GENERIC STYLE SPECIFICATION FOR ELECTRONIC PRINTED OUTPUT AND EXCHANGE OF TEXT
    - -- DOD-M-SGML
- CALS PHASE I.1 AND BEYOND
  - RASTER GRAPHICS, CGM, ODA/ODIF, PDL, ETC.

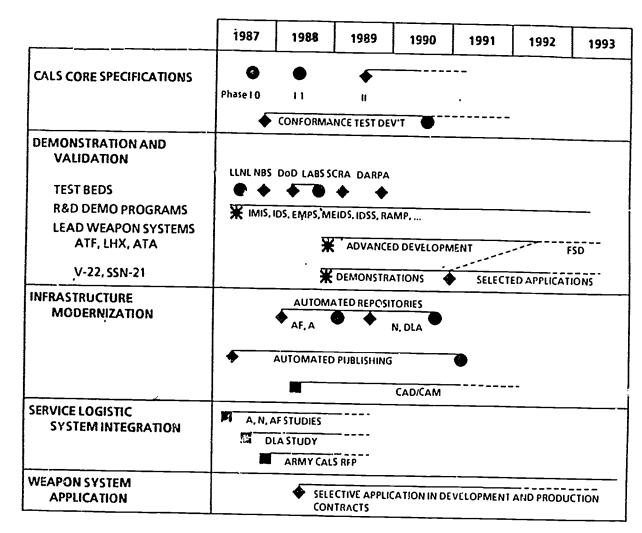


### **MAJOR THRUSTS FOR FY-88**

- TESTING OF PHASE I STANDARDS
- TRIAL CONTRACTUAL IMPLEMENTATIONS
- EXPANSION OF PHASE I CORE
  - FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS (R&M INTEGRATION, ...)
  - TECHNICAL STANDARDS (CGM, ODA/ODIF, ...)
  - APPLICATION AREAS (TRAINING, TECH DATA PACKAGES, ...)
- GROUNDWORK FOR PHASE II CORE
  - INDUSTRY CO-OP FOR PHASE I DEVELOPMENT
  - GOVERMENT COORDINATION GROUP
- DEVELOPMENT OF INTEGRATING ARCHITECTURE
- CONTINUED WORK WITH INDUSTRY TASK FORCE ON CALS IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES



### CALS SCHEDULE OBJECTIVES



**★** DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

**PROGRAM INITIATION** 

◆ INITIAL OPERATING CAPABILITY

SURSTANTIAL OPERATING CAPABILITY



### **CALS PAYOFFS**

- DESIGNED-IN RELIABILITY & MAINTAINABILITY IMPROVEMENTS
- ACCURATE, TIMELY TECHNICAL DATA
- BETTER CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT
- IMPROVEMENTS IN LOGISTICS PLANNING LEAD TIME
- REDUCED COSTS FOR WEAPON SYSTEM ACQUISITION AND SUPPORT
- ENHANCE U.S. COMPETITIVE EDGE



## **Electronic Data Interchange**

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### Electronic Data Interchange

#### Ben Milbrant

Electronic data interchange is basically exchanging of documents. It's a way to tie in your application systems to talk to my application systems. In fact, NAVISTAR, formerly International Harvester, would not be operating today if we had not been able to implement electronic data interchange seven years ago. Seven years ago, just like all the other automotive industry, we were losing money at a record pace. In fact, in the first eighteen months of implementing electronic data interchange, we were able to reduce our inventory by \$167,000,000, and therefore pherate the cash we needed to survive as a corporation. This story is being repreated all across the United States. Because we're giving a better exchange of information, our suppliers are better able to reduce their inventories, to control their costs, and to compete with offshore competition.

When the automotive industry started to use electronic data interchange methods, each company had its own proprietary format. It was very expensive for suppliers to support all of those formats. The automotive industry started to develop its own standard formats, but instead adopted standard formats being developed on a broader basis by the American National Standards Committee X12. Now those standards are endorsed by almost every industry in the U.S.

The benefits of using electronic data interchange standards are:

Increased Record Accuracy If I can get information from my computer into your computer without either one of us having to manually key enter that information, then we reduce errors. In information that is handled manually, we have about a one percent error rate, and that can be costly.

Reduced Data Entry Costs If someone doesn't have to enter information into the computers, if computers can talk to each other, there are no data entry costs.

Reduced Mailing Costs It costs anywhere from twenty-two cents to several dollars to get a document from one place to another. The cost of the postage is a small amount. The data entry cost, the handling, somebody getting it to the right department, somebody making sure that it's in the right application area, somebody actually being able to make sure that the information was received, costs a tremendous amount.

Reduced Paper Work Electronic data interchange can save money by reducing the mundane, routine process of handling information.



Increased Customer Satisfaction With our electronic data interchange system that we have tied in with our dealer network, if there's a stock outage at a particular location, today that order is in the hand of our supplier within an hour, and many times shipped within four hours. It's received the next day, or many times, the same day. That means customer satisfaction and more sales.

Reduced Inventory We had to reduce our inventory and had to document it. We knew because the banks were locking very closely over our shoulder. Within the Springfield Truck Division (I was Material Manager at the time) we needed \$200,000,000 to survive. We came up with \$167,000,000; the other divisions came up with the rest.

Reduced Inventories for Our Suppliers Our suppliers have said that electronic data interchange reduces their inventory by 80 percent as well. That increased exchange of information allows us all to give better information in a more timely fashion. The system has been so successful at NAVISTAR that all of the truck manufacturers within the United States are working now within the Automotive Industry Action Group, remodeling their systems after our systems. We found that exchange of information not only among our suppliers, but also among our competitors, makes us all more efficient.

Better Cash Management Electronic Data Interexchange means that companies can carry less cash in the bank. They know exactly how much money they need to cover checks written. When funds are exchanged electronically, the exchange of funds is negotiated with the supplier. We have reduced our inventory and reduced our costs to the tune of \$65,000,000. Now, that's not much when you compare some of the budgets that you look at today, but in fact, this year we'll make about \$130,000,000, finally, after a number of years of struggling with losses. Now, there were many many things that we changed, but we can directly attribute \$65,000,000 worth of our costs, \$65,000,000 worth of our profits this year to electronic data interchange. It's making us much more efficient. It's making all of the industries in America much more efficient. It gives us standards to work with so that in fact, the same standards that I communicate with can work for everybody else in the audience. They absolutely are working today.



# Session 2 - Making Incompatible Applications Communicate-Software Portability

### Office Document Architecture and Interchange

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## Office Document Interchange

**Real Problems?** 

**Possible Solutions?** 



# Office Document Interchange Problems

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## Office Document Interchange

Documents = Content + Form



## Office Document Interchange

# Where did the problems come from?

Different computer hardware

Different computer software

Lack of understanding that form is important

Decrease in price of technology

Increase in capability of technology



# Office Document Interchange What are the Solutions?

We all use brand X

A document is a program

Content is all that is important

Brand X to brand Y translator

Interchange format



## Distributed Office Application Model

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### Distributed Office Applications Model

### What is it?

- A common architecture to support integrated office services in a multi-vendor distributed office environment.
- Based on ISO DIS 9072 (Remote Operations Service Element) the standard provides guidelines for design of protocols which allow access to various applications and interactions between the applications.
- These applications may be distributed over local "closely-coupled" office systems or wide area networks of significant physical distances.
- This standard provides unifying principles for structuring distributed office
  applications and gives the basic concepts of <u>Service Access Protocols</u> for users of
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  Distributed Office Applications service.

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Distributed Office Applications are used by an integrated distributed office system
consisting of user nodes and server nodes linked by a network. The user nodes access
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In such an environment, data processing applications, that within a single host system act as a single piece, have been split among the different intelligent components of the system. This splitting has led to the need for standardization of interrelationships between the different parts of an application.



### Distributed-Office-Applications Objectives

- <u>Allow easier implementation</u> of application processes developed for distributed environment based micro-processors and large and medium sized mainframes which are interconnected through LAN or WAN.
- Reduce the processing delay time for document related activities such as document
  filing and retrieval, document distribution, printing, etc., and group communications
  related activities such as interpersonal messaging, user directory and authentication
  processes, etc.
- <u>Allow conconcurrent processing</u> of different tasks within the distributed office system.
- Reduce overall size of an office system, and
- Facilitate modular extension of an office system.



## Distributed Office Applications Model

### A multi-part Standard

- Part 1 General Model
- Part 2 Referenced Data Transfer
- Part 3 Security Framework
- Part 4 Management



## Part 1 General Model ISO/TC97/SC-18/WG-4 Tokyo 58, September 1987

- <u>Introductory Material</u> Clauses 1.0 through 6.0. References, definitions, and abbreviations.
- Statement of Requirements to be satisfied by the model framework, clause 7.0.
- <u>Fundamental Concepts</u> associated with distributed office applications, including the <u>basic concepts</u> needed to define the relationships between generic communicating elements, clause 8.0.
- Naming Concepts Clause 9.0. Needed for distributed office applications.
- Operation of Supportive Applications Clause 10.0. Time base, supportive security applications, directory, third party transfer.
- Operation of Productive Applications Clause 11.0. Message transfer, mailbox, document filing and retrieval, printing.
- <u>Guidelines for the Design of Access Protocols</u> Clause 12.0. Concepts, notation, application rules.
  - Annex A Future applications
  - Annex B Abstract service definition of DOAM
  - Annex C Examples of interactions between users and applications performing productive and supportive functions
  - Annex D Comparison of abstract operations defined in some distributed applications



### DOAM Supportive Services

- Time Base
- Directory Services
- Reference Data Transfer Services
- Security Services
  - Authentication
  - Authorization
- Management Services

### **DOAM Productive Services**

- Message Transfer Service
- Mailbox Service
- Document Filing and Retrieval Service
- Print Services
- Interpersonal Communications
- Electronic Business Data Interchange
- Change/Transfer Processing?
- Possible Data Base Management?



# Part 2 Referenced Data Transfer ISO/TC97/SC-18/WG-4 Tokyo 59, September 1987

- <u>Introductory Material</u> Clauses 1.0 through 6.0. References, definitions, and abbreviations.
- Referenced Data Transfer Facility Functional model, architectural model, generic operations, specific operations, reference logical structures, clause 7.0.
- Reference Abstract syntax, impact on access protocols, clause 8.0.
- <u>Service Elements</u> Service element description, abstract syntax, clause 9.0.
- <u>RDT Context</u> Overview, definition of context, bind operations, remote operation priorities, conformance, clause 10.0.
  - Annex A RDT Macro (to be supplied for backward compatibility with ECMA 112).



# Part 3 Security Framework ISO/TC97/SC-18/WG-4 Tokyo 60, September 1987

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- Security Requirements for Distributed Office Applications Clause 7.0.
- <u>Secure Systems Model</u> Clause 8.0 (to be supplied).

A working document of 10 pages from ISO/TC97/SC-18/WG-1 and NATO, ECMA documents.



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- Management Functions Clause 9.0.
- Domains Clause 10.0.
  - Annex A Users of Management

A working document based on "Distributed Systems Management" -- Distributed Systems Management Study Group, U.K., Chair - Dr. Alwyn Langsford (UKAEA).



### Relationship of DOA and ODP Models

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ODPM is defined as identifying and interrelating to several types of interface in a distributed system.

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Thus DOAM is an interconnection model of office systems components and only needs to address a subset of elements of the general ODP Model.

This will require close liaison between ISO/TC97/SC-18 and ISO/TC97/SC-21.



### I Have a Dream! I Have a Dream!

Most of you can remember this from Dr. Martin Luther King in 1963. My dream is also about segregation and integration but not of people themselves, but their communications.

We must support OPEN Systems Interconnect in the late 1980's and 1990's. We must work for GLOBAL communications and distributed applications to help mankind worldwide.

How can you help?

- Find and support qualified representatives to ANSI Standards groups and ISO Standards groups.
- Support committee on open systems, NBS Sig groups, and other Standards activities.
- Yes, times are tight, the Dow Jones is down, and we are worried about recessions, but
  we must still find the time and funds to support Standards.

Thank you.

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- Annexes



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- RDT Context
  - -Annex A



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## **Operating Systems Standards**

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## POSIX FIPS

## THE CORNERSTORE OF APPLICATIONS PORTABILITY

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National Bureau of Standards

December 3, 1987

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## **OBJECTIVES**

- Provide <u>vendor independent</u> way for federal agencies to specify Unix system Requirements

- Promote application portability among federal Unix based systems.



## **NBS PLANS**

- -- Adopt POSIX as a Federal Information Processing Standard
- -- Develop tests to measure conformance to the standard
- -- Support adoption of POSIX as an international standard



## **Current Standards Activities**

IEEE - POSIX 1003.1 POSIX Standard

1003.2 Shell and Tools

1003.3 Test Method Specifications

1003.4 Real Time

AT&T SVID System V Interface Definition

SVVS System V Verification Suite

X/OPEN Portability Guide

**VSX** Validation Suite

NBS PCTS Posix Conformance Test Suite to test conformance to the POSIX FIPS

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/usr/group Working groups on related POSIX issues



## **NBS PRODUCTS**

- Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS)
- POSIX Conformance Test Suite



## POSIX / FIPS

- Based on P1003.1 Draft #12
- Some changes to resolve issues
- Specify which options will be included



#### **NBS PCTS**

- Support from IEEE P1003.3, AT&T, Hewlett Packard, X/OPEN, DEC, Perennial
- Based on AT&T SVVS Subset
- Tests conformance to the POSIX FIPS
- Place source code in public domain
- Encourage 3rd party testing services
- Maintain and update test suite as standard evolves



## Schedule

- P1003.1 POSIX Ballot Nov. '88
  Approved March '88
- P1003.2 Shell & Tools
  Ballot late '88 / early '87
- P1003.3 Test Method Specifications
  Final Draft April '88
  Ballot May '88
  Approved Sept. '88
- P1003.4 Real Time (schedule being established)
- NBS PCTS NBS Conformance Test Suite for POSIX FIPS
  Initial Version Jan 1988
  Update 1988
- X3J11 "C" Language Standard 143
  ANSI Std late '88 or early '89



## **NBS** Goals

Promote applications portability through the use of open systems architecture and non-proprietary standards.

Promote acceptance of NBS PCTS as the basis for both national and international validation services for POSIX.



### APPLICATION PORTABILITY ISSUES

- IDENTIFICATION OF THE FUNCTIONAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ARCHITECTURE
- NON-PROPRIETARY SPECIFICATIONS
- DEVELOPING APPROPRIATE BINDINGS
- VENDOR COMMITMENT TO USE SPECIFICATIONS IN BUILDING PRODUCTS
- USER COMMITMENT TO USE SPECIFICATIONS IN PROCUREMENTS
- CONFORMANCE TESTING



### AN EMERGING APPLICATIONS ARCHITECTURE

#### **Function**

**Operating System** 

**Data Base Management** 

#### **Data Interchange**

- Business Graphics
- Engineering Graphics
- Document Processing

#### **Network Services**

- Data Communications
- File Management
- Interprocess Comunications

**User Interface** 

Languages



## AN EMERGING APPLICATIONS ARCHITECTURE

Function		Element
Operating System		POSIX
Data Base Management		SQL
Data Interchange		IRDS
- Business Graphics		GKS & CGM
- Engineering Graphics		IGES
- Document Processing		SGML
Notwork G		CDA/ODIF
Network Services		
- Data Communications		OSI
- File Management		NFS
- Interprocess Comunications		OSI
User Interface		XWindows
Languages		
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		COBOL
		FORTRAN
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## APPLICATIONS PORTABILITY ARCHITECTURE

		Interface				
Function	Element	Specification				
<b>Operating System</b>	Extended POSIX	IEEE P1003.1 + Extensions				
Data Base Management	SQL IRDS	FIPS 127				
Data Interchange						
- Business Graphics	GKS & CGM	FIPS 120, 128				
- Engineering Graphics	IGES	NBSIR 86-3359				
- Document Processing	SGML	ISO 8879-1986				
-	ODA/ODIF	ISO/DIS 8613				
Network Services		·				
- Data Communications	OSI	GOSIP				
- File Management	NFS					
- Interprocess Comunications	OSI	GOSIP				
User Interface	XWindows	Xlib-C language XInterface				
		Protocol Version 11				
Languages						
	$oldsymbol{C}$	X3J11				
	COBOL	FIPS 021-2				
	FORTRAN	FIPS 069-1				
	ADA	FIPS 119				
	PASCAL	FIPS 109				



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## **Data Base Management Systems**

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#### DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM STANDARDS

## REPORT OF PAST PROGRESS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

TO

## SYSTEMS COMMUNICATING WITH SYSTEMS GSA/NBS INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT SYMPOSIUM

**3 DECEMBER 1987** 

DONALD R. DEUTSCH

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#### **AGENDA**

**DBMS STANDARDIZATION STATUS** 

FRAMEWORK FOR DBMS STANDARDIZATION

ROOTS OF DBMS PRODUCTS SOURCES OF STANDARDS

ANSI/X3 DBMS STANDARDIZATION

RECAP
X3H2 DATABASE COMMITTEE

NDL AND SQL STANDARDS

OVERVIEW
DATABASE LANGUAGE NDL VS CODASYL PRODUCTS
DATABASE LANGUAGE SQL VS SQL PRODUCTS

DBMS STATE-OF-THE-ART
FUTURE DBMS DIRECTIONS

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#### **DBMS STANDARDIZATION STATUS**

BEFORE, THERE WERE NO DOMESTIC U.S. OR INTERNATIONAL DATABASE

MANAGEMENT SYSTEM STANDARDS.

TODAY, THERE ARE TWO APPROVED BY:

ANSI (AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE)

ISO (INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS ORGANIZATION)

FIPS (FEDERAL INFORMATION PROCESSING STANDARD)

SOON, THERE WILL BE MORE!



#### ROOTS OF DBMS PRODUCTS

#### COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

#### HARDWARE VENDORS

GE/HIS - IDS

- IMS AND DB2 IBM SPERRY - DMS 1100

#### PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE VENDORS

SOFTWARE AG - ADABAS

CULLINET - IDMS AND IDMS/R ASHTON TATE - DBASE III

#### UNIVERSITY/GOVERNMENT LABORATORIES

SDC/U. OF TEXAS - SYSTEM 2K U. OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY - INGRES

16î VOLUNTARY SPECIFICATION SHARING

> UNILATERAL, E.G., IBM SYSTEM R => ORACLE DEVELOPMENT BODIES, E.G., CODASYL => IDMS, DBMS 10, DMS 1100 NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS



#### **SOURCES OF STANDARDS**

STANDARDS SETTING ORGANIZATIONS (ISO)

INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS ORGANIZATION (ISO)

NATIONAL STANDARDS BODIES, E.G., ANSI

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT STANDARDS - FIPS, DOD

OTHER, E.G., IEEE

DEVELOPMENT BODIES

CODASYL

OTHER

OTHER BODIES
.
ECMA

DEFACTO MARKETPLACE STANDARDS, E.G., SQL, MSDOS



#### ANSI/X3 DBMS STANDARDIZATION RECAP

- 1978 X3 INITIATED THREE DBMS STANDARDS EFFORTS (BASED ON 1978 CODASYL SPECIFICATIONS)
  - o DATA DEFINITION LANGUAGE (DDL) X3H2
  - o COBOL DATA !ANIPULATION LANGUAGE (DML) X3J4
  - o FORTRAN DML X3J3
- 1980 X3J4 DECIDED TO OMIT THE DML FROM COBOL 198X
- 1981 X3H2 COMPLETED DDL WORK, BUT LACK OF A DML PRECLUDED ITS BEING FORWARDED TO X3 FOR APPROVAL AS AN AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARD (ANS). NEEDED DATA MODEL FOCUS.

X3H2 REQUESTED X3 APPROVAL TO PRODUCE A STANDARD COVERING DDL AND DML; X3 AGREED AND RENAMED X3H2 THE DATABASE COMMITTEE.

- 1982 X3 INITIATED RELATIONAL DBMS STANDARDS EFFORT
  - o RESPONSE TO SPARC/DBSSG
  - o PROJECT ASSIGNED TO X3H2
  - o SQL SELECTED AS BASE
- 1985 BOTH NDL AND SQL FORWARDED TO X3 FOR APPROVAL.
- 1986 NDL AND SQL APPROVED AS AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS, THIRD AND FOURTH QUARTERS RESPECTIVELY.
- 1987 FIRST QUARTER APPROVAL OF NDL AND SQL BY BOTH ISO AND FIPS. 163

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FIRST ADDENDUM TO SQL FOR REFERENTIAL INTEGRITY RELEASED FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT BY BOTH ISO AND ANSI.



#### **ANSI X3H2 DATABASE COMMITTEE**

FOCUS OF WORLD-WIDE DEMS STANDARDIZATION EFFORT OVER PAST NINE YEARS

EVOLUTIONARY CHANGES IN APPROACH AND SCOPE OF EFFORT

PARTICIPATION CHANGING BUT STILL BIASED TOWARDS IMPLEMENTORS:

INITIALLY DOMINATED BY HARDWARE MANUFACTURERS

INCREASING INFLUENCE OF PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE VENDORS

NDL PRECURSOR BENEFITTED SQL EFFORT

DATA MODEL FOCUS: SINGLE SPECIFICATION FOR DML SEMANTICS AS WELL AS DDL SYNTAX AND SEMANTICS

FORMAL SPECIFICATION FORMAT AND STYLE

FOCUSING NOW ON:

SQL EXTENSIONS
DISTRIBUTED DATABASE PROCESSING



## Analysis of Participants by Organizational Affiliation ANSI X3H2, Database 10/22/87

Participation Status

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ABA	-American Bankers Assoc	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	5
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ARMY	-U.S. Army	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
AT&T	-AT&T	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
BELLCORE	-Bell Comm Research	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
CCA	-Computer Corp of America	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
CCC	-Concurrent Computer Corp	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
CDC	-Control Data Corporation	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
CSDT	-CompuServe Data Tech	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
CUBE	-Coop Users of Burroughs Eqp	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
CULL INET	-Cullinet Software, Inc.	1	0	0	1	. 0	0	0	2
DEC	-Digital Equipment Corp	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
pg	-Data General Corporation	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
DLC	-Data Language Corporation	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
EXTSYS	-Extended Systems	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
GE	-General Electric	1	0	0	2	0	٥	0	3
GM	-General Motors	0	0	0	1	0	O	0	1
HB	-Honeywell Bull	1	0	0	1	0	0	٥	2
HP	-Hewlett-Packard Company	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	3
IBM	-Intl Business Machines	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
ICL	-Intl. Computers Limited	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
IDA	-Institute for Defense Analy	0	O	0	1	0	0	0	1
INFORMIX	-Informix Software, Inc.	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
MDBS	-Micro Data Base Systems	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
MDC	-McDonnell Douglas Corp.	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
MMES	-Martin Marietta E S, Inc.	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
MSI	-Must Software Intl	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
NAVY	-US Navy	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
NBS	-US Natl Bureau of Stds	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	4
NCR	-NCR Corporation	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
NSA NU	-US Natl Security Agency	1	0	Ω	i	0	0	0	2
ORACLE	-Northrop University -DRACLE Corp	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
P&G	-Procter & Gamble	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
PACCAR	-PACCAR, Inc.	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
PAS	-City of Pasadena	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
PLEXUS	-Plexus Computers	0	0	0	1	0	9	0	1
PMM	-Peat Marwick Main & Co.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
PSI	-Pansophic Systems Inc.	-	-	0	1	0	0	0	1
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	-VGS, Inc.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
WANG	-WANG Laboratories Inc.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
WIS	-Whitemarsh Info Systems	0	0	9	1	0	0	0	1
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#### NDL AND SQL OVERVIEW

NDL

SQL

REFERENCES:

NAME DATABASE LANGUAGE NDL

DATABASE LANGUAGE SQL

ANSI X3.133-1986

X3.135-1986

ISO IS 8907

IS 9075

FIPS NBS FIPS 126

NBS FIPS 127

**CHARACTERISTICS:** 

TIMELINESS

TRAILS TECHNOLOGY AND MARKET

TRYING TO "LEAD THE PARADE"

FUNCTION

SOME 'TRUTH AND BEAUTY":

FIXED CODASYL BUMPS

AND FILLED HOLES

PRAGMATIC SUBSET OF EXTANT PRODUCTS; ABORTED 18 MONTH EFFORT TO DEFINE "TRUTH AND

BEAUTY"



## DATABASE LANGUAGE NDL VS CODASYL PRODUCTS

SINGLE NDL COMPARED TO PARTIAL IMPLEMENTATIONS OF A SERIES OF CODASYL SPECIFICATIONS

NO STORAGE ORIENTED FEATURES: CALC, AREA, . . .

LANGUAGE INDEPENDENT DOL SYNTAX; I.E., REMOVED COBOLISMS

ADDITIONAL DATA TYPES TO MATCH STANDARD PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

MINIMAL ACCESS CONTROL (SECURITY)

ANSI CHARTERED TO DEFINE LANGUAGE BINDINGS FOR NDL;

NO OTHER EXTENSIONS IN PROCESS



## DATABASE LANGUAGE SQL VS SQL PRODUCTS

NO STORAGE-ORIENTED FEATURES: SEGMENTS, TABLE SPACE, . . .

NO "DYNAMIC SQL": PREPARE, EXECUTE

### NO CREATE INDEX

- INDEXES WILL BE IMPLEMENTOR DEFINED
- O UNIQUE SPECIFICATION FOR COLUMNS IS PART OF THE TABLE DECLARATION

## ADDITIONAL DATA TYPES TO MATCH STANDARD PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

DYNAMIC CREATE, ALTER, GRANT AND REVOKE STATEMENTS ARE IMPLEMENTOR DEFINED

- STANDARD DEFINES TABLES, VIEWS AND PRIVILEGES WITH STATIC DATA DESCRIPTIONS
- IMPLEMENTORS CAN USE A UTILITY PROGRAM TO PROCESS TABLE, YIEW AND PRIVILEGE DEJINITIONS

ANSI/33H2 AND ISO WORKING OH SQL EXTENSIONS AND FORMALIZING/DEFINING LANGUAGE BINDINGS



## **DBMS STATE-OF-THE-ART**

DATA MODEL FOCUS

STANDARDS AND MOST PRODUCTS LIMITED TO

CENTRALIZED DATABASE

SINGLE PROCESSOR DBMS

ANSI/ISO/FIPS STANDARDS

ALLOW "PORTABLE" DBMS APPLICATIONS (FINALLY!)

NECESSARY FOUNDATION FOR DISTRIBUTED DATABASE TECHNOLOGY

EMERGENCE OF SQL AS DBMS "LINGUA FRANCA"

PROLIFERATION OF SQL PRODUCTS

VIRTUALLY ALL NEW (AND MANY EXISTING) PRODUCTS HAVE AN SQL INTERFACE REGARDLESS OF UNDERLYING DATA MODEL

MANY BUSINESS/AGENCIES FORMULATING MIXED STRATEGY:

PRESERVE INVESTMENT IN EXISTING (HON-SQL) APPLICATIONS

BIAS TOWARD SQL FOR NEW APPLICATIONS AND EXTENSIONS TO EXISTING APPLICATIONS



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### **FUTURE DBMS DIRECTIONS**

PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENTS FOR SQL PRODUCTS

NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN MOMENTUM

HARDWARE MICROCODE FOR SQL FUNCTIONS

ADD FUNCTIONALITY TO ANSI/ISO SQL STANDARDS
REFERENCTIAL INTEGRITY (1988)
ADDITIONAL FEATURES (1989-90)

FOCUS ON DISTRIBUTED DATABASE MANAGEMENT

SQL STANDARD PROVIDES ESSENTIAL BUILDING BLOCK

NEW PRODUCT ANNOUNCEMENTS: SINGLE VENDOR SOLUTION

REMOTE DATABASE ACCESS EFFORT WITHIN ISO AND ANSI

MULTI-VENDOR HARDWARE/SOFTWARE DISTRIBUTED DATABASE APPLICATIONS IS REASONABLE GOAL



# Distributed Data Base Applications

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## Database Management consists of:

- o Manipulation of Data
- o Data Dictionary
- o Concurrency, Integrity and Recovery

No model for Database Management corresponding to OSI model for communications



# Data Dictionary Standards and others

E/R Model and IRDS

Relational Models

Object Models

No "standards" for distributed data administration



# Entity/Relation ) (E/R) Model

ວ De Facto Standard for Data Modeling

# Information Resource Dictionary System (IRDS)

o Dictionary Standard based on E/R Model

## Issues:

- o IRDS primarily for human users
- o No DBMSs use E/R model



## Relational Model

o Relational DBMS products exist

Issues:

c Not as richly expressive as E/R Model





## Object Models

- o Highly expressive for data semantics
- o Flexible and Extensible
- o Some products appearing

Standards unlikely in near-term



## Data Manipulation Standards

## SQL

- o Basis of Remote Data Access Protocol (RDAP)
- o Manipulates Data by Value
- o Can Manipulate Sets of Records

## Issues:

- o Weak in Data Dictionary Area
- o Many Extensions among SQL Products
- o Standard will be extended



# Concurrency, Integrity and Recovery

## Problems:

- o Reliable Distributed Update
- o No standards for Centralized DBMSs
- o No standard form of Two-Phase Commit (Commercial Products coming)

CCR Communications Standand Exists

Near-Term Solutions: Ad Hoc



# A User's Perspective of the Standards Process

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INFORM THE DATA USING PUBLIC OF STANDARDS TO INCREASE SUPPOFT AND PARTICIPATION

PROVIDE OPEN PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS AND RAPID INFORMATION EXCHANGE . . COORDINATE AND INTEGRATE THE WHOLE DATA STANDARDS PROCESS



"NO LONGER THE EXCLUSIVE TOOLS OF SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS, COMPUTERS ARE NOW COMMON IN OUR OFFICES, FACTORIES, AND SCHOOLS."

- NBS

NO LONGER THE EXCLUSIVE PREOCCUPATION OF SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS, THE STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT PROCESS NOW AFFECTS ORDINARY DATA USERS IN OUR OFFICES, FACTORIES, AND SCHOOLS; AND THEY DESERVE TO BE INFORMED OF BOTH THEIR RIGHTS AND THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES.



### TYPICAL INDUSTRIAL ENVIRONMENT FOR DATA USERS

- CANNOT ACCESS LONG DISTANCE LINES
- CANNOT WRITE COMPANY CORRESPONDENCE
- HAS NO PETTY CASH ONLY AUTHORIZED PURCHASES
- USES LOCAL AND INDUSTRIAL STANDARDS
- ASSUMES NBS MAKES NATIONAL STANDARDS (DO THEY?)
- OCCASIONALLY SEES TERMS "ISO" AND "ANSI" IN NEWS BRIEFS
- TOTALLY UNAWARE OF INFORMATION SYSTEM STANDARDS

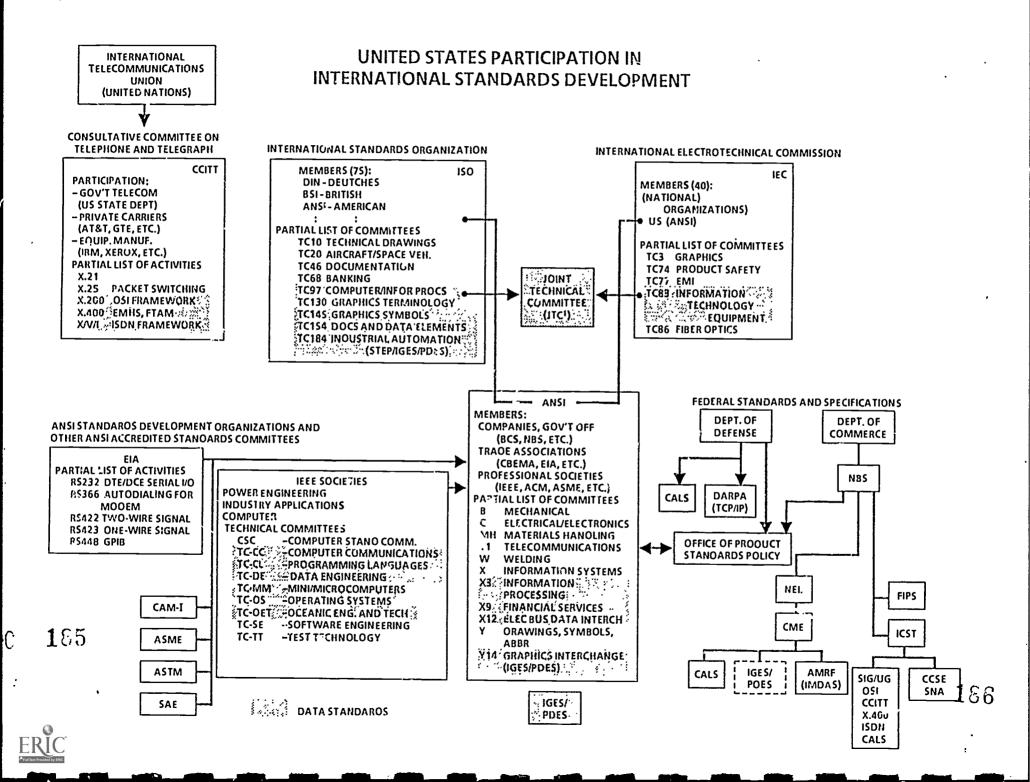
### ANSI REQUIRES

"THE CONSENSUS OF MORE THAN JUST A SIMPLE MAJORITY OF THOSE DIRECTLY AND MATERIALLY AFFECTED."

YET PROVIDES NO FUBLICITY TO INFORM DATA USERS OF THE EXISTENCE OF ANSI

AND THE DATA STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT PROCESS.





# DATA STANDARDS COOR JINATION PROPOSED DEFINITION FOR "DATA STANDARDS"

Data ISO The representation forms of information dealt with by information systems and users thereof. (doc)

- ANS 1. A representation of facts, concepts, or instructions in a formalized manner suitable for communication, interpretation, or processing by humans or by automatic means. (ISO definition)
  - 2. Any representations such as characters or analog quantities to which meaning is or might be assigned.

Data Standards Those standards affecting the integrity of the content and semantics of data elements in all their system (not application) and network forms: archiving, storage, shared data bases, processing, conversion, translation, and both internal and external exchange.

Information ANS The meaning that a human assigns to data by means of known conventions used in their representation. (ISO definition)

Product Data The elements defined for product definition data as well as such details as assembly instructions, process specifications, financial data, customer services information quality assurance data and testing results. This is not an inclusive list. (TOP 3.0)

Product Definition Data A subset of product data that includes only those data elements necessary for the analysis, design, manufacture and test of a product.



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#### C 97 Study Committees (SC)

- 1. Vocabulary
- 2. Character Sets & Info. Coding
- J. APT
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- 6. Data Communications
- 7. Design & Doc of Info Sys
- 8. Numerical Control
- 9. PL/Numerical Control
- 10. Magnetic Disks
- 11. Flexible Magnetic Media
- 12. Instrumentation Tape

- 13. · Interconnection of Equipment
- 14. Representation of Inta Elements
- 15. Labelling & File St ucture
- 16. Open Systems
- 17. ID/Credit Cards
- 18. Text Prepration & Interchange
- 19. Office Equip & Supplies
- 20. Data Encryption
- 21. OSI Support Services, IRDS
- 22. Programming Languages
- 23. Optical Digital Data Disks

The following list identifies national data standards development committees for information processing:

- T1 TELECOMMUNICATIONS (FORMERLY FCC)
- X3 ... FORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEMS
  - X3H2 DATARASE
  - X3H3 GRAPHICS (DISPLAY) .
  - X3H4 IRDS (DATA DICTIONARY SYSTEM)
  - X3K5 ANDIPS (DICIONARY OF TERMS)
    - X3L2 CODES AND CHARACTERS
    - X3L8 DATA REPRESENTATION
    - X3S3 DATA COMMUNICATIONS
    - X3T1 DATA ENCRYPTION
    - X3T2 DATA INTERCHANGE
    - X3T5 OPEN SYSTEMS INTERCONNECTION
    - X3V1 TEXT: PUBLICATION SYSTEMS
- X9 FINANCIAL DATA INTERCHANGE
- X12 BUSINESS DATA INTERCHANGE
  - X12A NEW TRANSACTIONS
  - X12CCOMMUNICATIONS (X.400)
    - PROJECT TEAMS
- Y14.26 DIGITAL PRODUCT DATA REP\_(IGES/PDES)



Figures 10 and 11 chart these time intervals for two cases

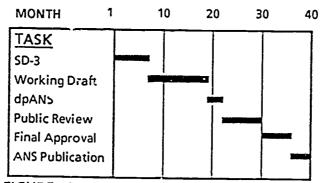


FIGURE 10 ANSI PROCESS (Optimistic Times)

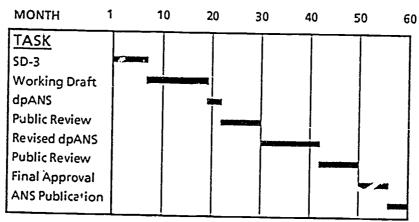
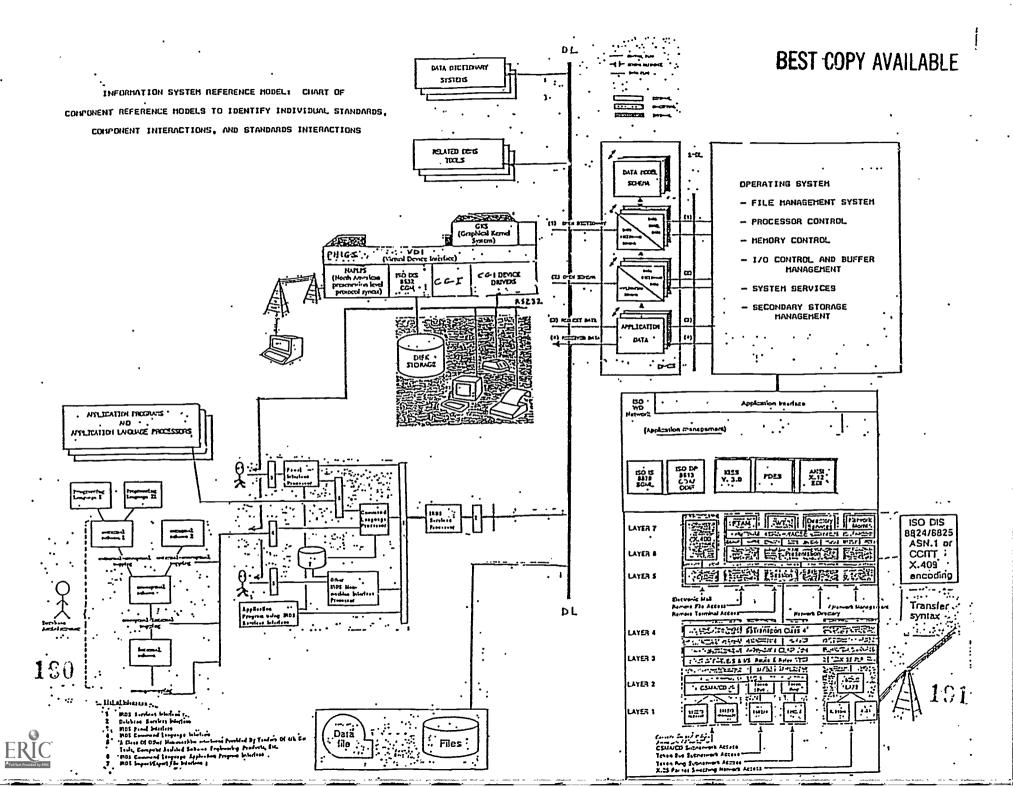


FIGURE 11 ANSI PROCESS (More Typical Times)



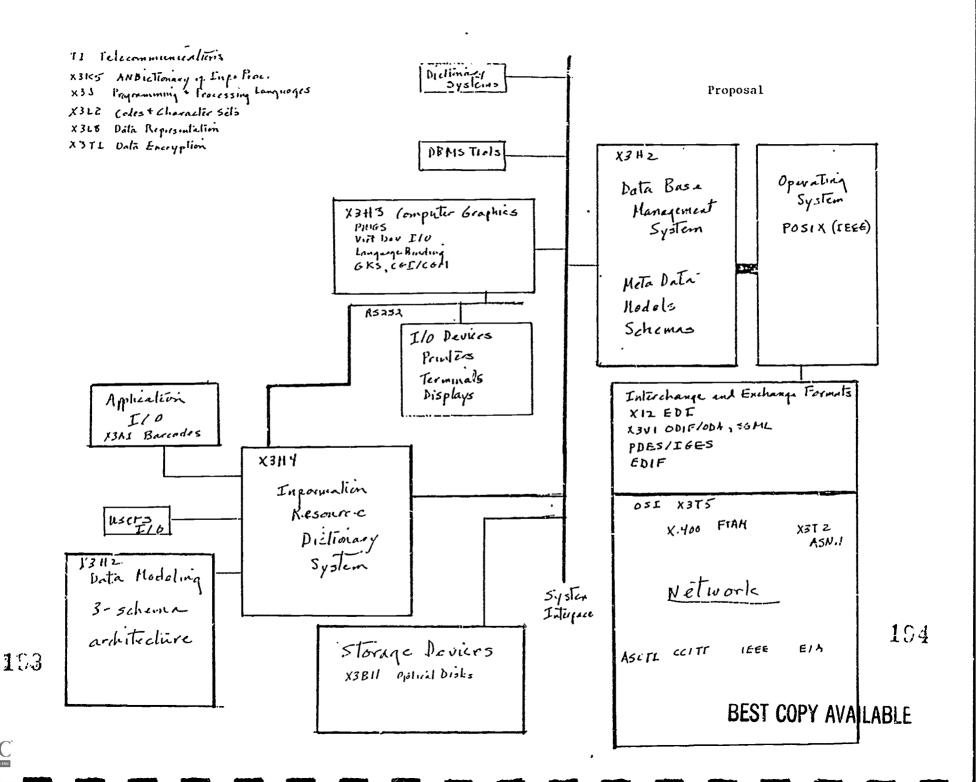


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6.	FINE-TUNE SYSTEM AND DATA INTEGRATION, DECISION SUPPORT, FORCASTING, AND PLANNING	•	RODUCT DATA BASES OBHS, DICTIONARY, AND TOGLS	BUSINESS MODELS AND DATA MODELS		GOVERNMENT FRODUCT DATA WORLD-WIDE
5.	PLAN SPECIFIC COMPONENT INSTALLATION FOR MINIMUM : IMPACT AND MAXIMUM BENEFIT	C	OMPUTER SYSTEMS AND NETWORKS	INTERFACES AND DATA HANAGEMENT TOOLS		
4.	APPROVE PROCEDURES FOR PLANNING SYSTEM INSTALLATIONS THROUGH MIGRATION AND 'EVOLUTION TOWARD INTEGRATION		DATA AND SYSTEM TIME CONTRAINTS, IMPACIS, AND BENEFITS	DATA MANAGEMENT FEASIBILITY, IMPACTS AND BENEFITS	CONTRACT	GOVERNMENT CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS
110	AUTHORIZE IMPLEMENTATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR COMPONENT PROFILES; IMPOSE CONFIGURATION CONTROL		INFORHATION SYSTEM COMPONENTS	DATA BASE AND DATA MANAGEHENT COMPONENTS	CONFORMANCE	GOVERNHENT IMPLEMENTATION PROFILES
	(ENTERPRISE DATA STANDARDS INSTALLATION)					
221	(ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION IN STANDARDS DEVELOPHENT)					
2.	DEFINE, TEST, EVALUATE, AND VALIDATE SYSTEM COMPONENT PROFILES	SPECIFICATIONS FOR SYSTEM CONFONENT PROFILES OF DATA STANDARDS	VALIDATION OF SYSTEM COMPONENT PROFILES	SPECIFICATIONS FOR DATA HUDELING COMPONENT PROFILES	DATA ELEMENT APPROVAL AND DATABASE DESIGN	GOVERNMENT Test Projects
1.	INDIVIDUAL DATA	ANALYSIS AND TECHNOLOGY EXCHANGE FOR INTERACTIVE INTEGRITY UF DATA STANDARDS		OPEN INFORMATION NETWORK FOR EVALUTATION, FORUMS, TECHNOLOGY EXCHANGE, CALENDAR, AND OTHER STANDARDS COMMUNICATIONS		
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	BUILDING BLOCKS STEPS					



BUILDING PRODUCT DATA INTEGRATION BASED ON ISO/ANSI STANDARDS



# **Closing Remarks**

Frank Carr
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#### Summary of Closing Remarks

#### Frank Carr

I'm just going to take a few minutes to give you a few additional thought reactions to today's session. I think, first of all that we owe a lot to the speakers. They've done an excellent job in covering the subject. I think that we've accomplished the main purposes of the session.

Sitting here I kept thinking about the missing person in the audience, and I'll call that person the manager-user and what the manager-user reaction might be. The end user computing, the micros that have been introduced into the Federal government have made manager-users much more aware of what the possibilities are. The manager-user has a great interest in what I'll call the high growth area of information technology, namely the PCs, the work stations, and is particularly interested in multi-user systems and being able to link systems to each other. The manager-user has one picture in his mind of standards, and that is that standards are lagging the users needs. I think the chart that showed a four-year to five-year standards development time and many of the examples covered today illustrate what the problem There was one speaker who used a phrase which to my mind epitomizes a view of the standards-making process, which is "the check is in the mail." That's great if you don't have to go out and buy bread and butter and milk. I have used another phrase which has been "too little, too late." I'm going to switch to "the check is in the mail" because I think it's a little more diplomatic.

What can the user do? I think what we're going to see is a lot of emphasis on what are the strategies that users will have to adopt in the absence of standards, or while waiting for those standards to arrive?

The Federal government spends something over \$30,000,000,000 annually in ADP and telecommunications. They are going to spend that money whether standards are here or are not here. The real issue that standards makers have to face is "are they going to be relevant to those procurements?" Just as users are going to have to address the issue of "what strategies do we follow in the absence of standards?" The standards makers maybe ought to get themselves together and begin to ask themselves what are the strategies that they're using in the standards development process, and should their strategies change? There is more than one way of approaching the standards making, and that might, in fact, be an expedited process.

With that, I've already indicated my appreciation to the speakers for the job they've done, and I thank everybody in the audience for being here.



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