CICS in an API World

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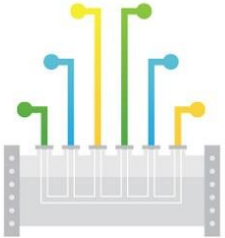

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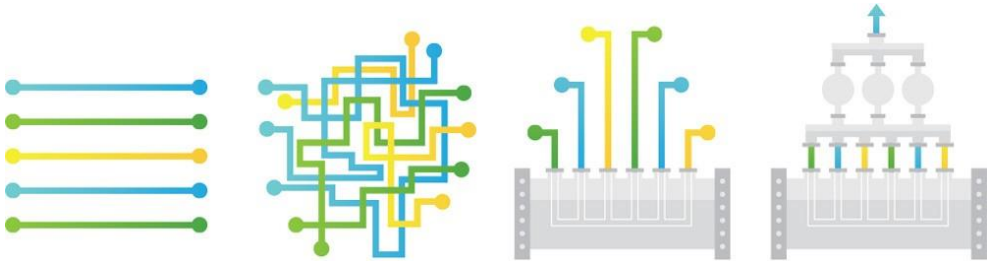

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API Economy

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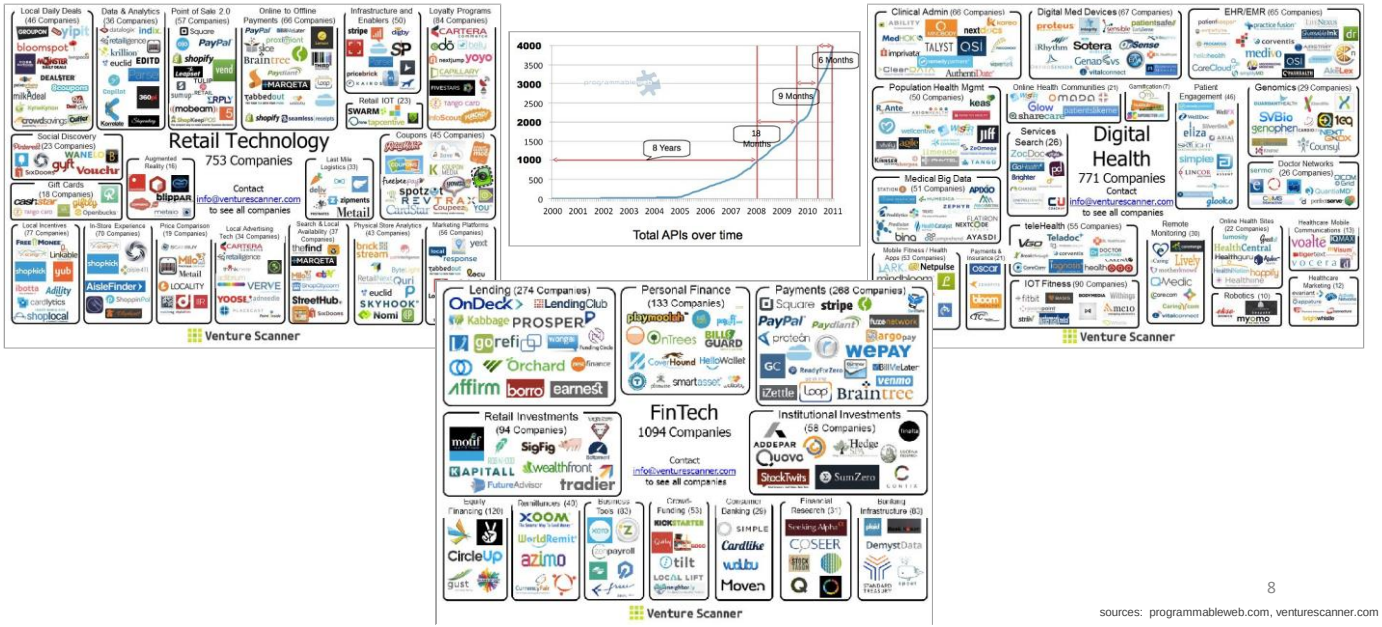
We are living through an API revolution



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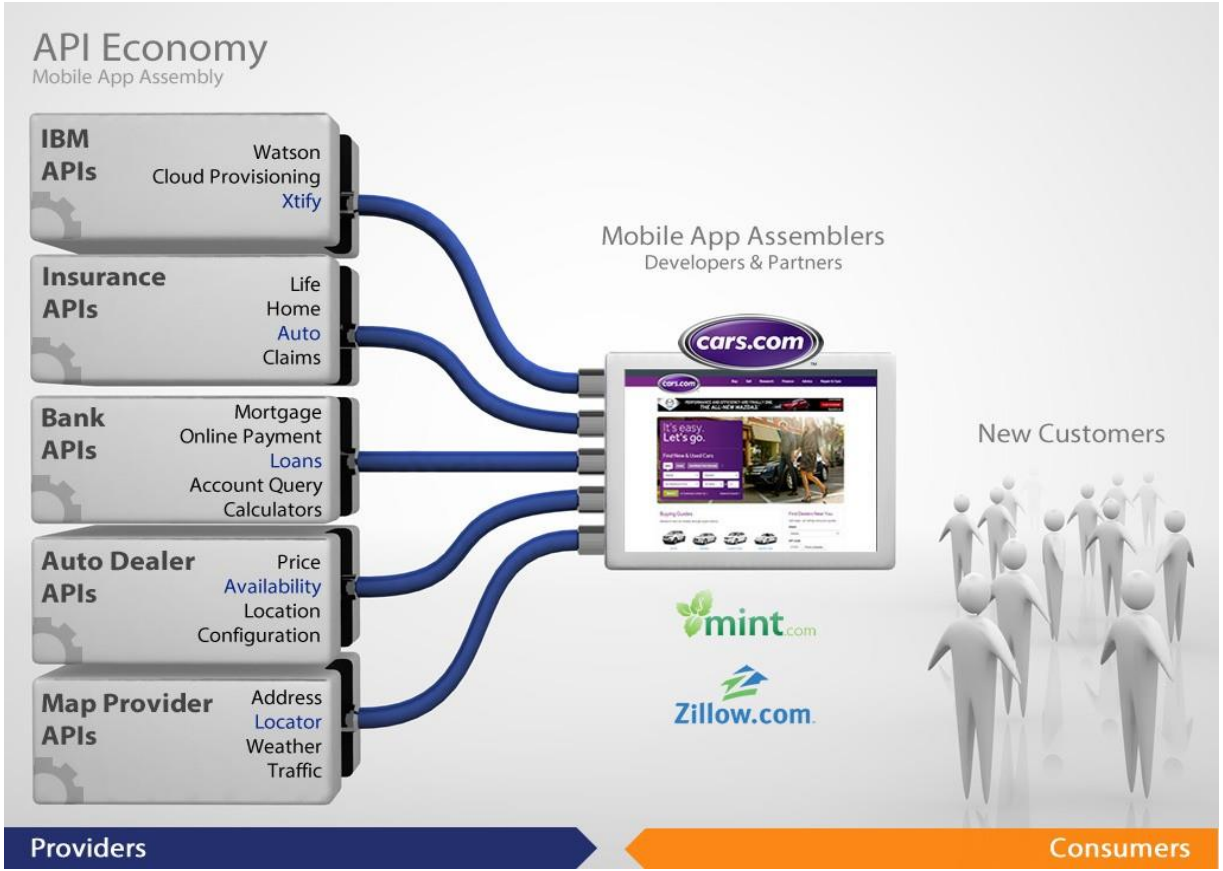
The Emerging API Economy for Digital Enterprises



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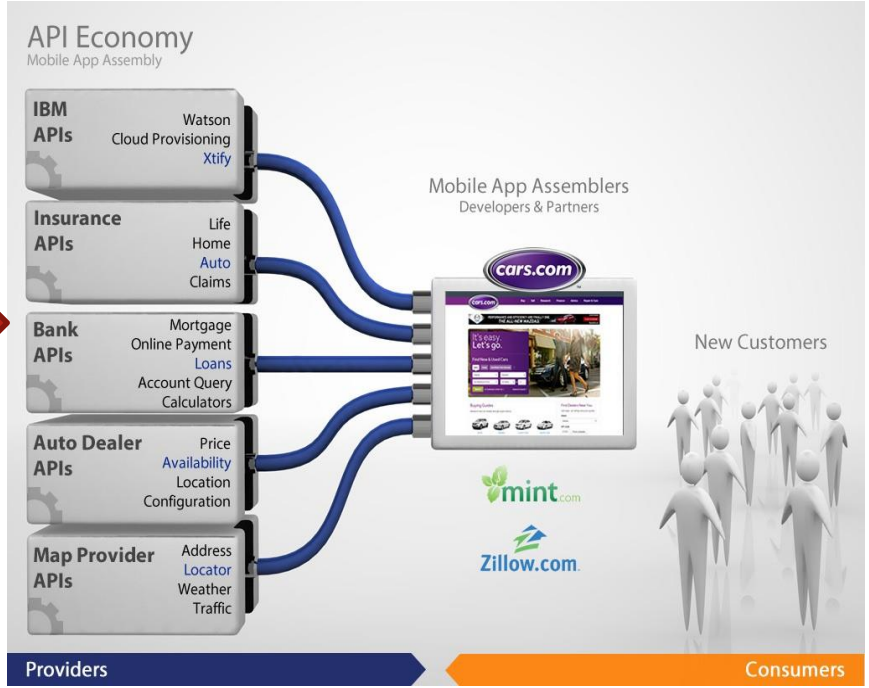

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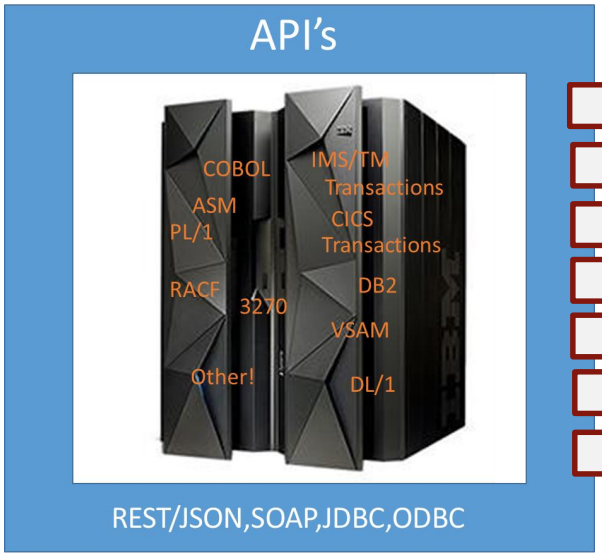

Mainframe Connectors ⟷ Business Services

- z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition
- CICS Transaction Gateway (CTG)
- CICS Web Services (CWS)
- HOSTBRIDGE
- IMS CONNECT
- TN3270
- SQL to Data

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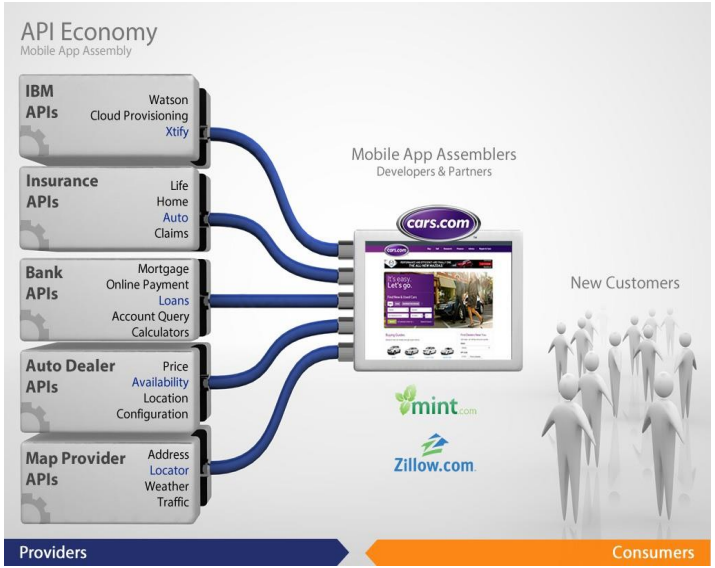

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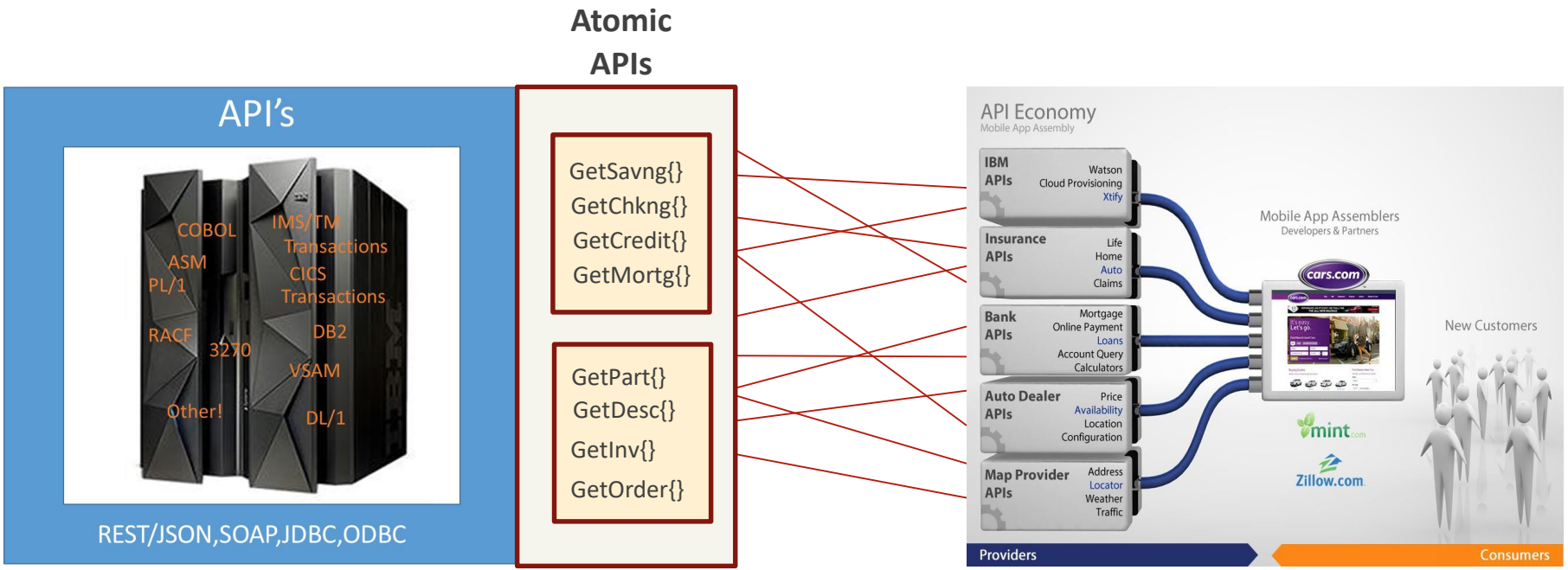

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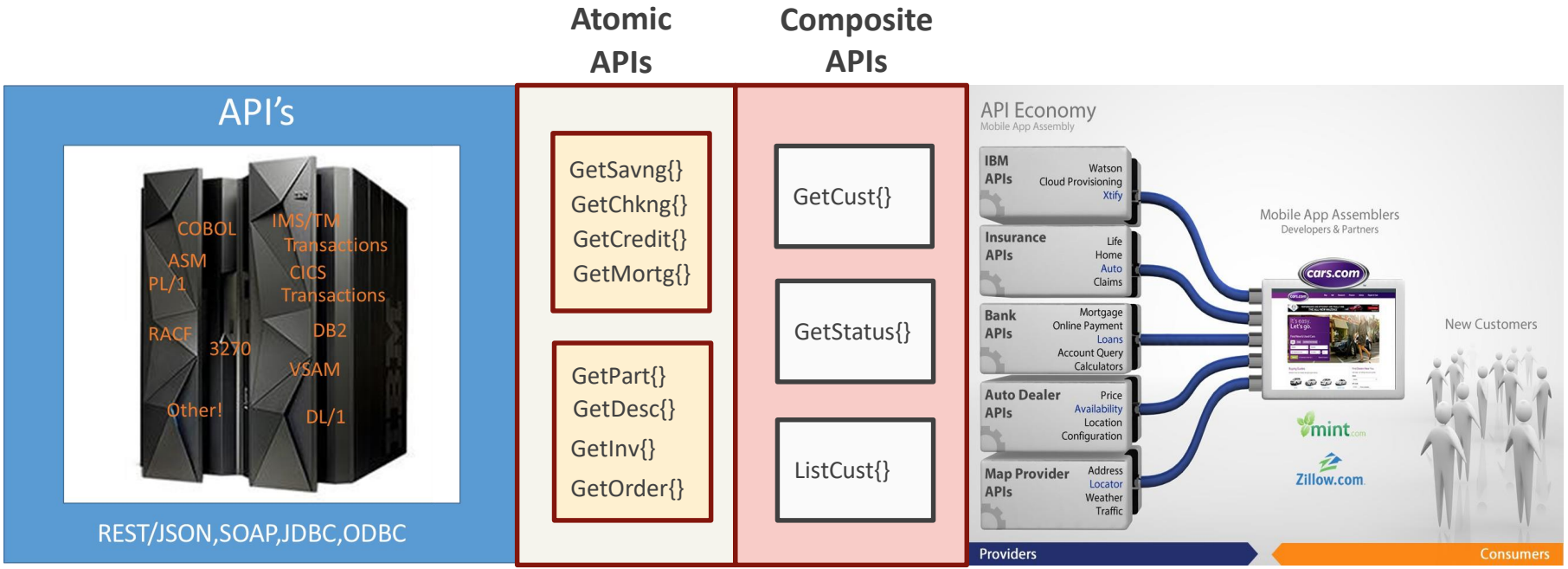

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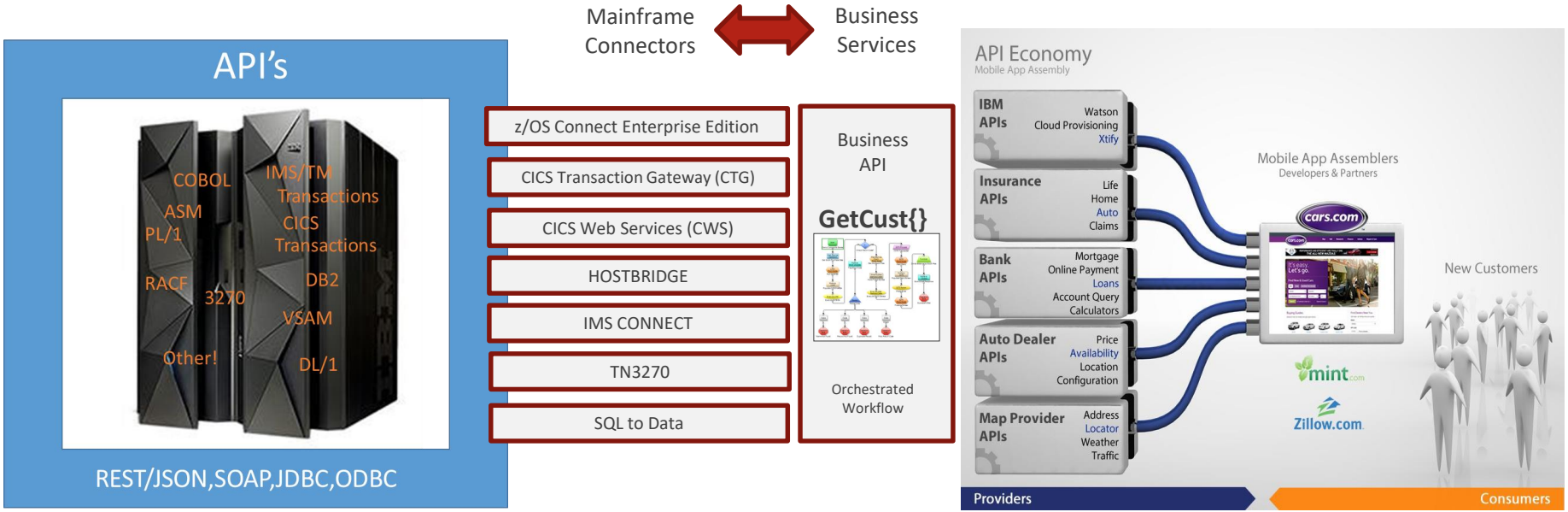

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API's

REST/JSON,SOAP,JDBC,ODBC

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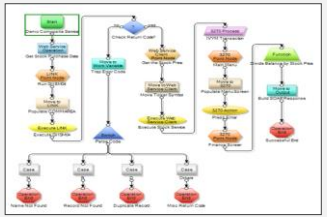
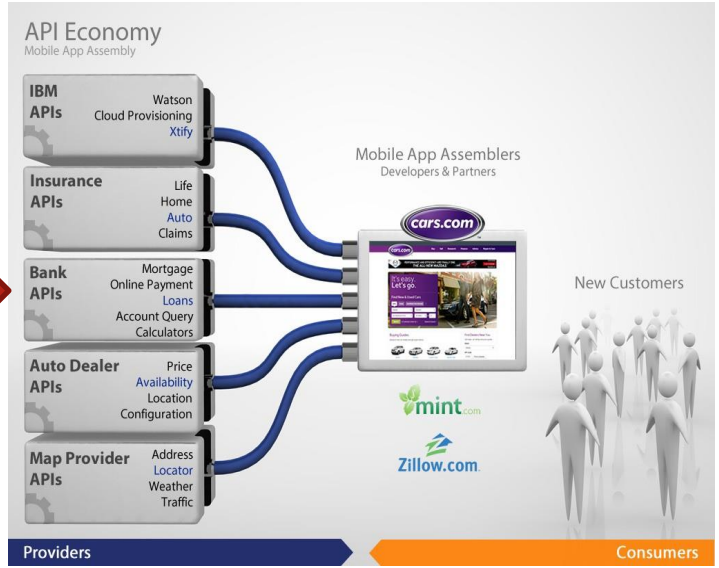
Business API



Intelligent Orchestrated Workflow



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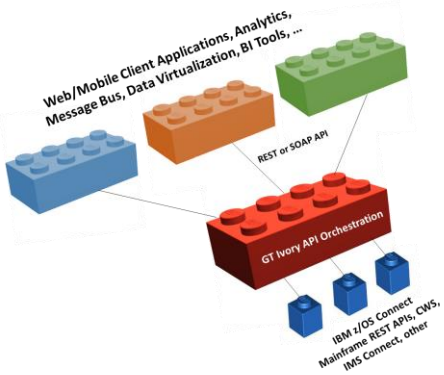
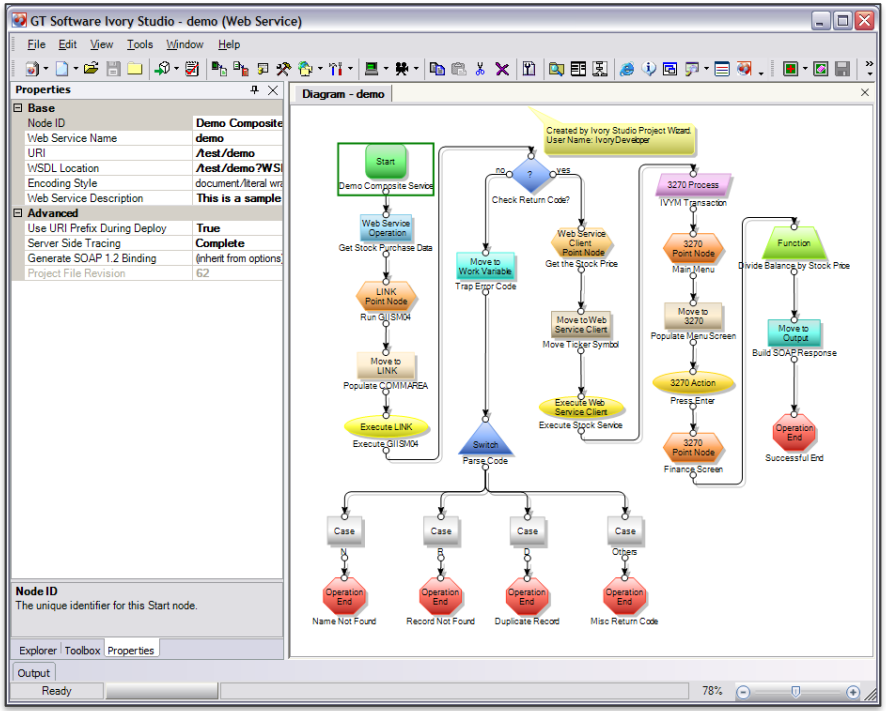


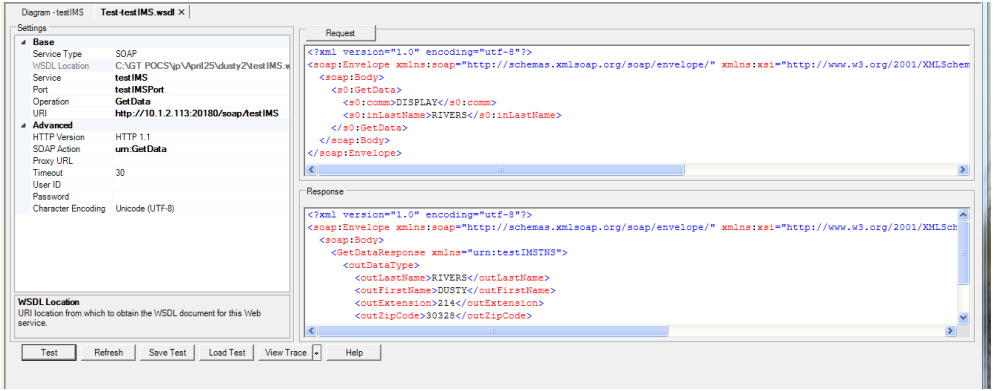


Intelligent Composite API:

- Multiple transactions
- Multiple data sources
- External web services and APIs
- Conditional Logic
- Error handling
- Governance and security
- Drag-and-drop (no coding) SDK
- Shared ‘business’ APIs across consumers
- No ‘low level’ coding and management of mainframe connectors
- Easy, fast, and agile development

GT Ivory Generated SOAP and REST APIs

SOAP Service Example



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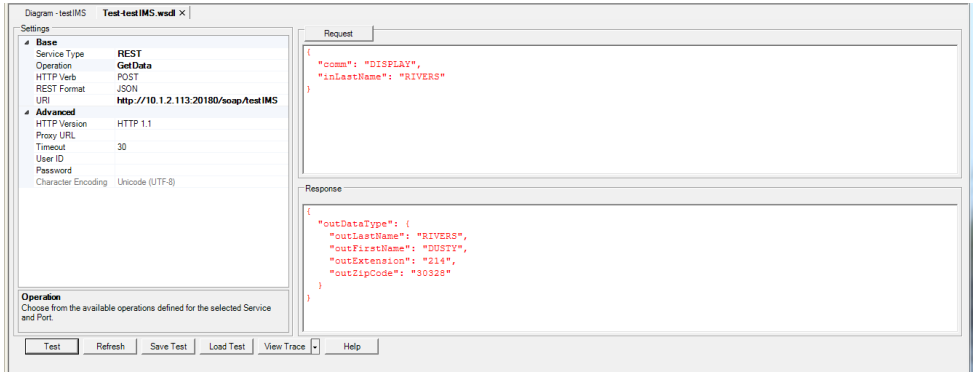
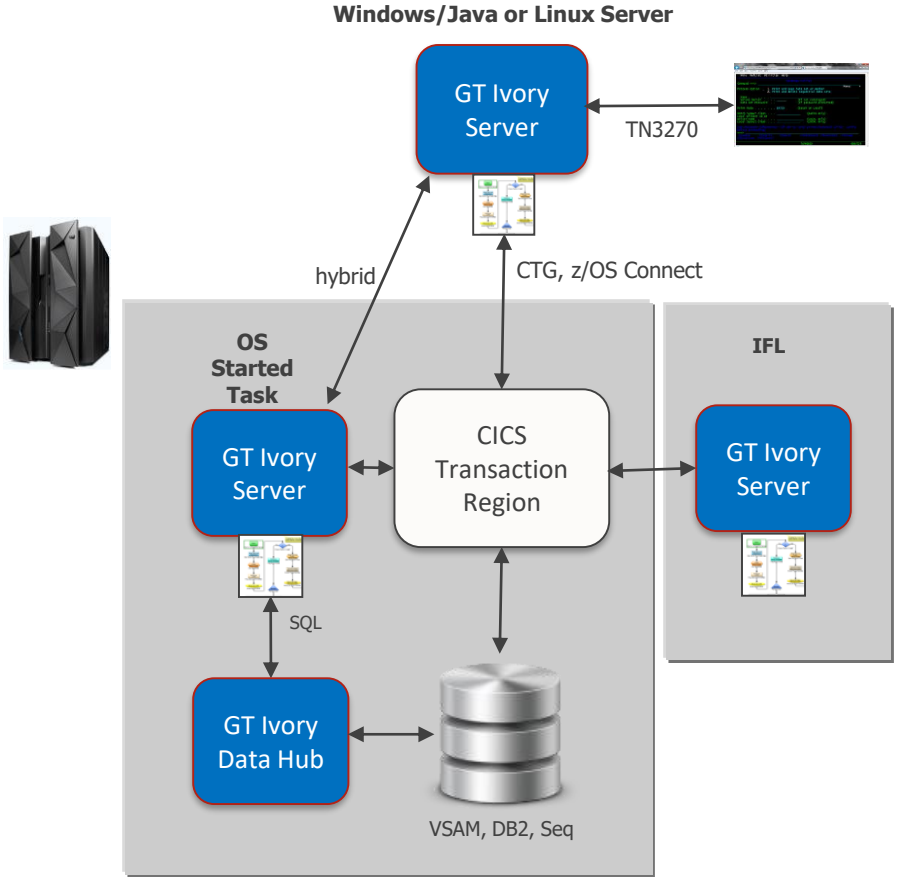


- Wizard within Ivory Studio generates the service definition from the orchestration workflow
- A service can be created as SOAP/XML or REST/JSON
- Can have an orchestration exposed as both a SOAP and REST service
- Services can be tested real-time with multiple levels of tracing for debugging
- A test (input data) can be saved and repeated in support of iterative development

GT Ivory On and Off Mainframe Deployment Options



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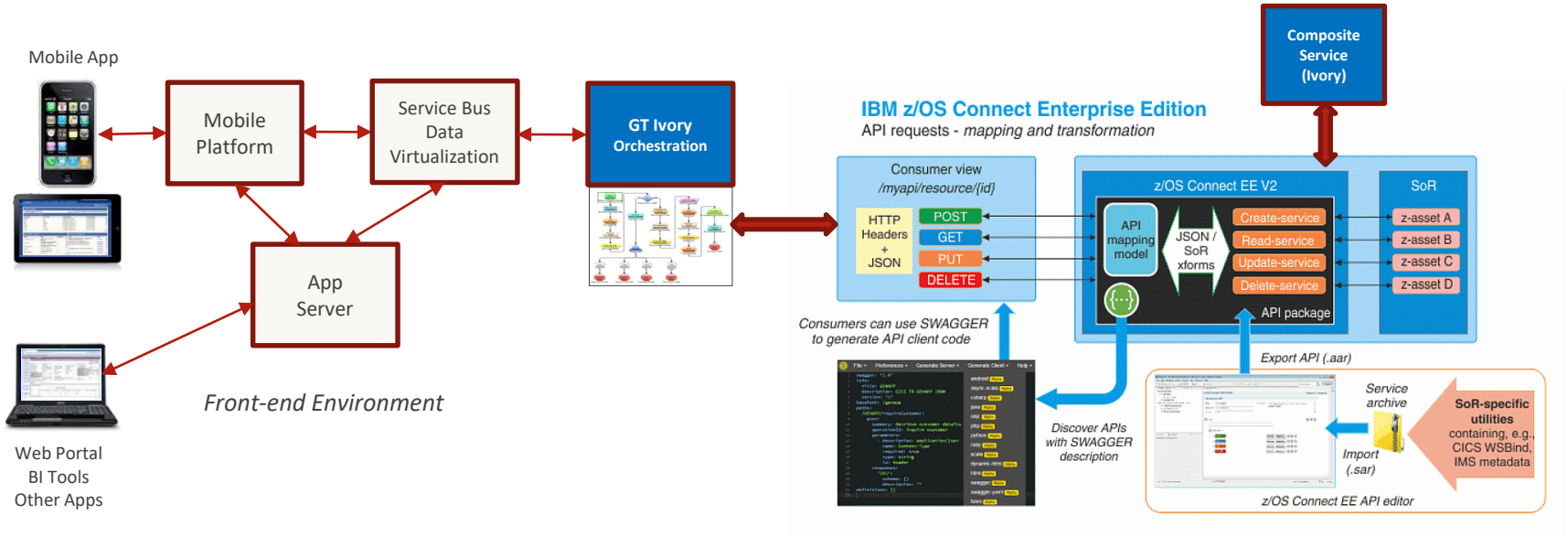

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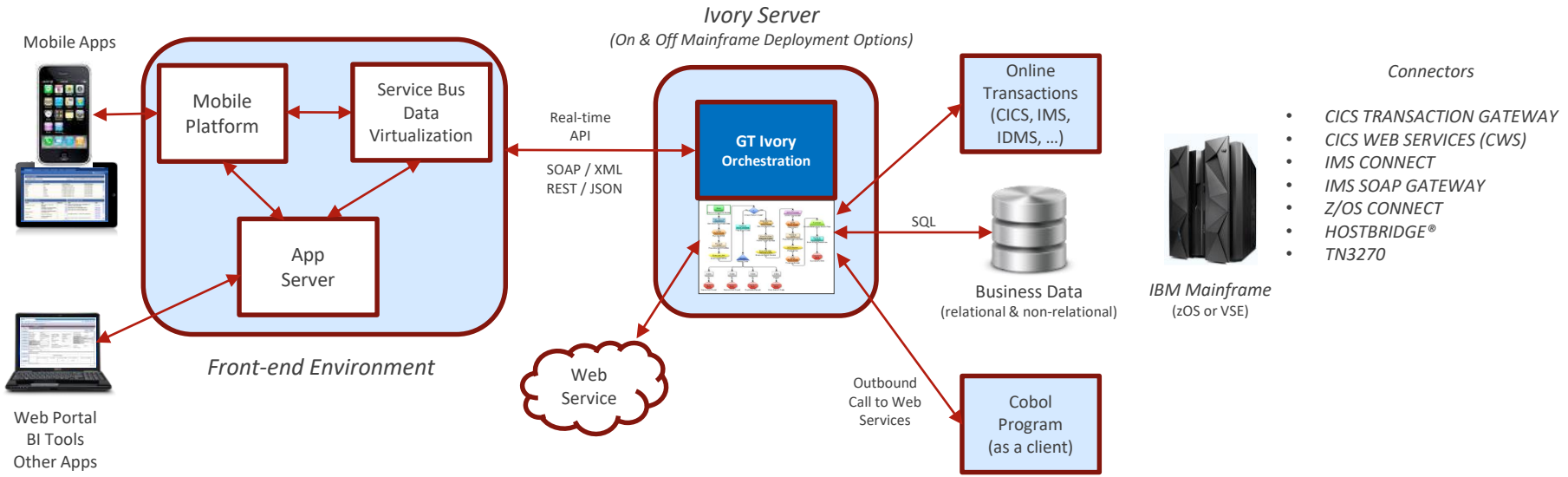

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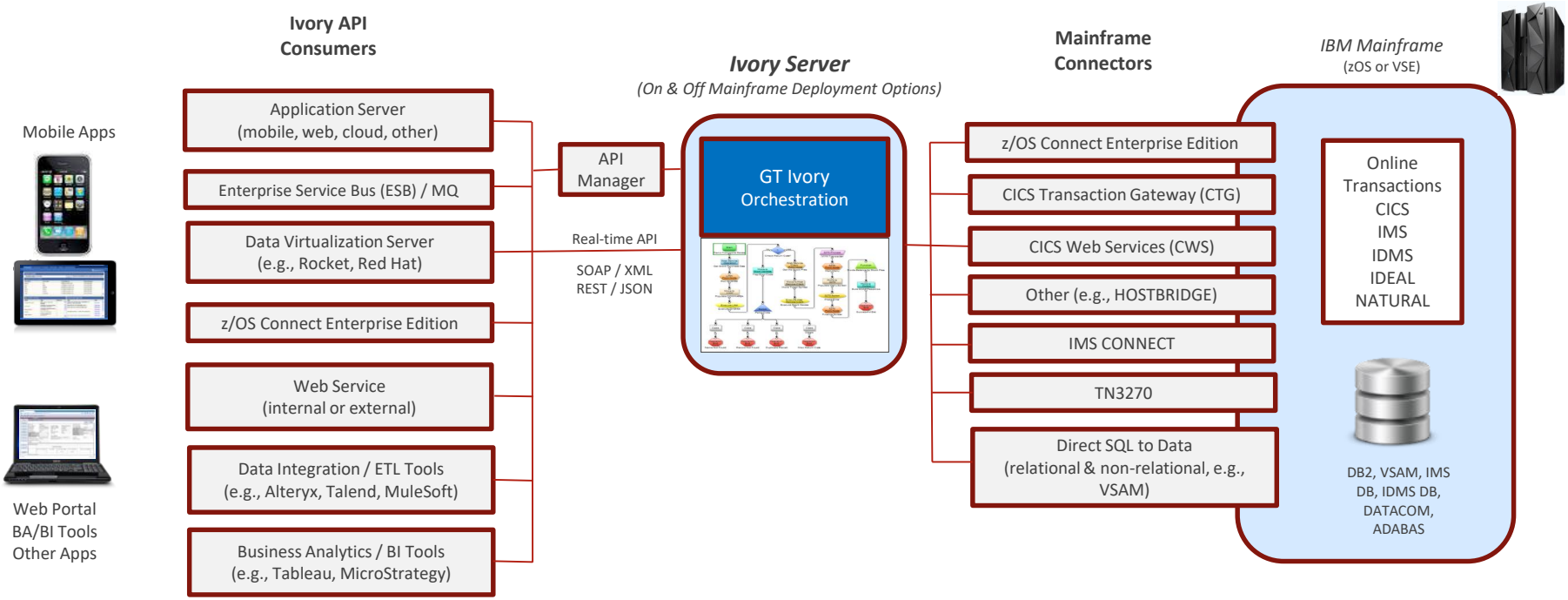

Leading Luxury Sports Car Manufacturer

- One of the world's best known brands in luxury, performance sports cars
- Strive for 'maximum output with minimum input'

Needs

- Replace and web enable 3270-based vehicle specification and configuration system
- A tool that could interact with the manufacturing and inventory systems
- Give prospects the ability to custom design and interact online with newest models

Challenge

- Wanted web-access to its mainframe-based specification and configuration system
- Current interface was based on IBM OS/2 operating system with 3270 'green-screens'

Results

No Additional MIPS Required For Processing

Less than 1 Day to Develop, Publish and Use Web Services

No Programming or Additional Personal Required

Secure Transfer of Information Readily Available

Multi-lines Mutual Insurance Company

- Operations in 49 States
- 2,200+ Employees
- $1.6 Billion in Premium

Needs

- Refocus on the business problem
- Expose and consume Web Services
- Reuse legacy when possible …or build new
- *Active* approach to mainframe SOA

Challenge

- Make legacy services available to new composite applications
- Developers spending 50%+ time on “plumbing”
- Slowing development efforts
- Reuse opportunities lost

Results

Strong ROI
Within 1 Year

Only 2 Hours of
Training Per User

Serving 10
Applications Across 7
Business Areas

Processes over 400K
Ivory-based Web
Service Requests / day

Leading Aptitude Testing Company

- U.S headquartered, non-profit assessment vendor
- Develop and administer 50 million aptitude tests annually
- 180 countries —9,000 locations

Needs

- Immediate credit approval
- Ability to process funds for payment
- Ability to track candidate's scheduling, testing, and scoring

Challenge

- Two large back-end online systems
- Both required "real-time" communication with third-party credit card processor
- Both were green screen systems and would use same interface
- Neither coded to support encryption, SSL security and WS security tokens — a requirement for credit card processing

Results

Created “common” interface

Met aggressive timeline

Added encryption, WS security (per PCI Compliance)

Strong ROI

80% Reuse

West Coast County Government

- Mainframe-based Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) developed in early 1980's
- Support for Sheriff, Police, Prosecutor, District Attorney, Courts, and other law enforcement
- Over 100,000 transactions per day

Challenge

- Multiple law enforcement systems across County
- CJIS and Jail Management System, other systems off-mainframe
- Migration of CJIS to new COTS system

Needs

- Consistant exchange of information regarding bookings and other data across systems
- Pull data generated on 3270 screens from the legacy system

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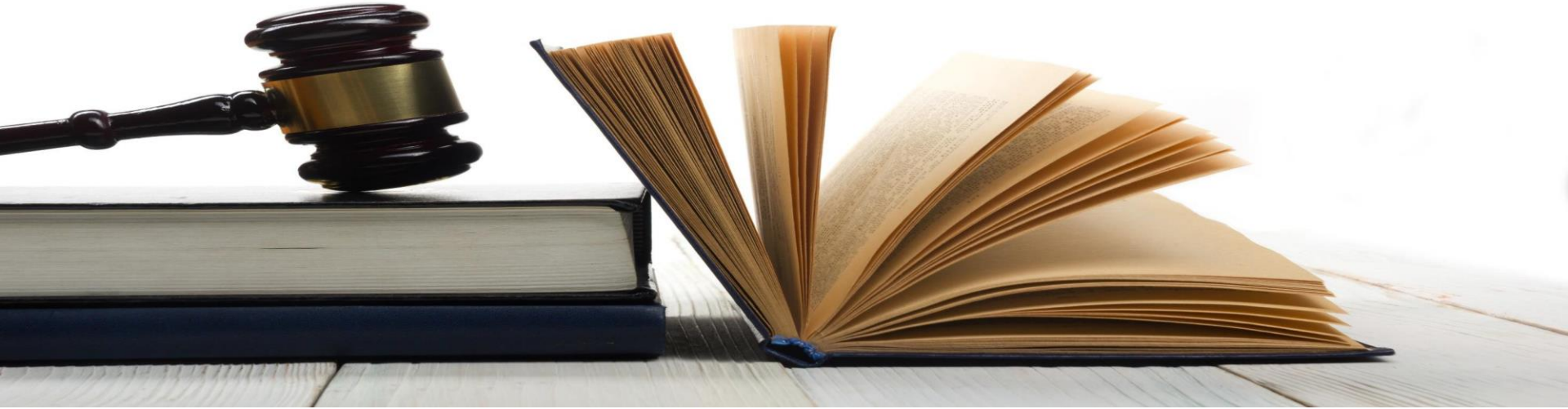

Seamless integration of systems

Access to data from CJIS transaction screens and directly from databases

Greater efficiency across law enforcement entities

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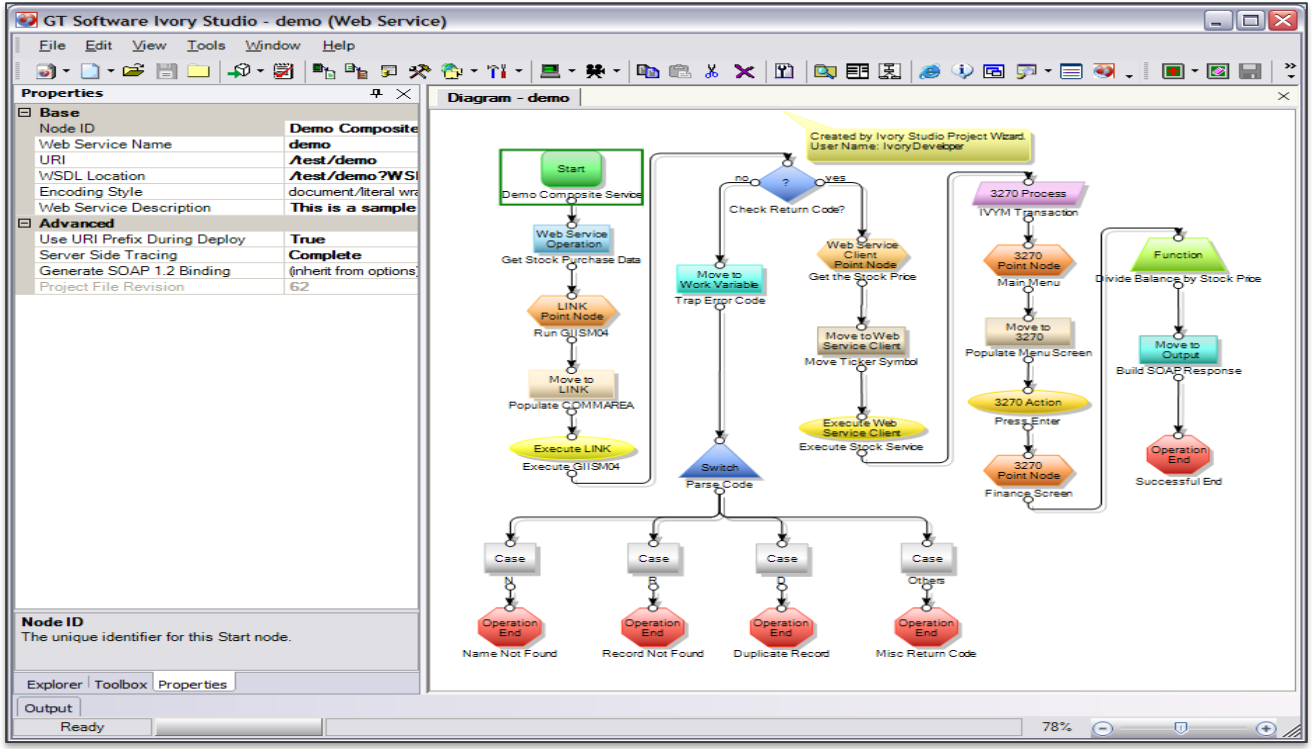

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- Founded in 1982 (HQ in Atlanta, GA)
- More than 30 years of market leadership
- Focused on real-time mainframe integration for strategic business initiatives
- Broad experience across all mainframe and distributed environments
- Worldwide cross-industry customers and strategic partnerships
- Website: www.gtsoftware.com

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