

## Prototype of a DDS-Based High-Level Accelerator Application Environment

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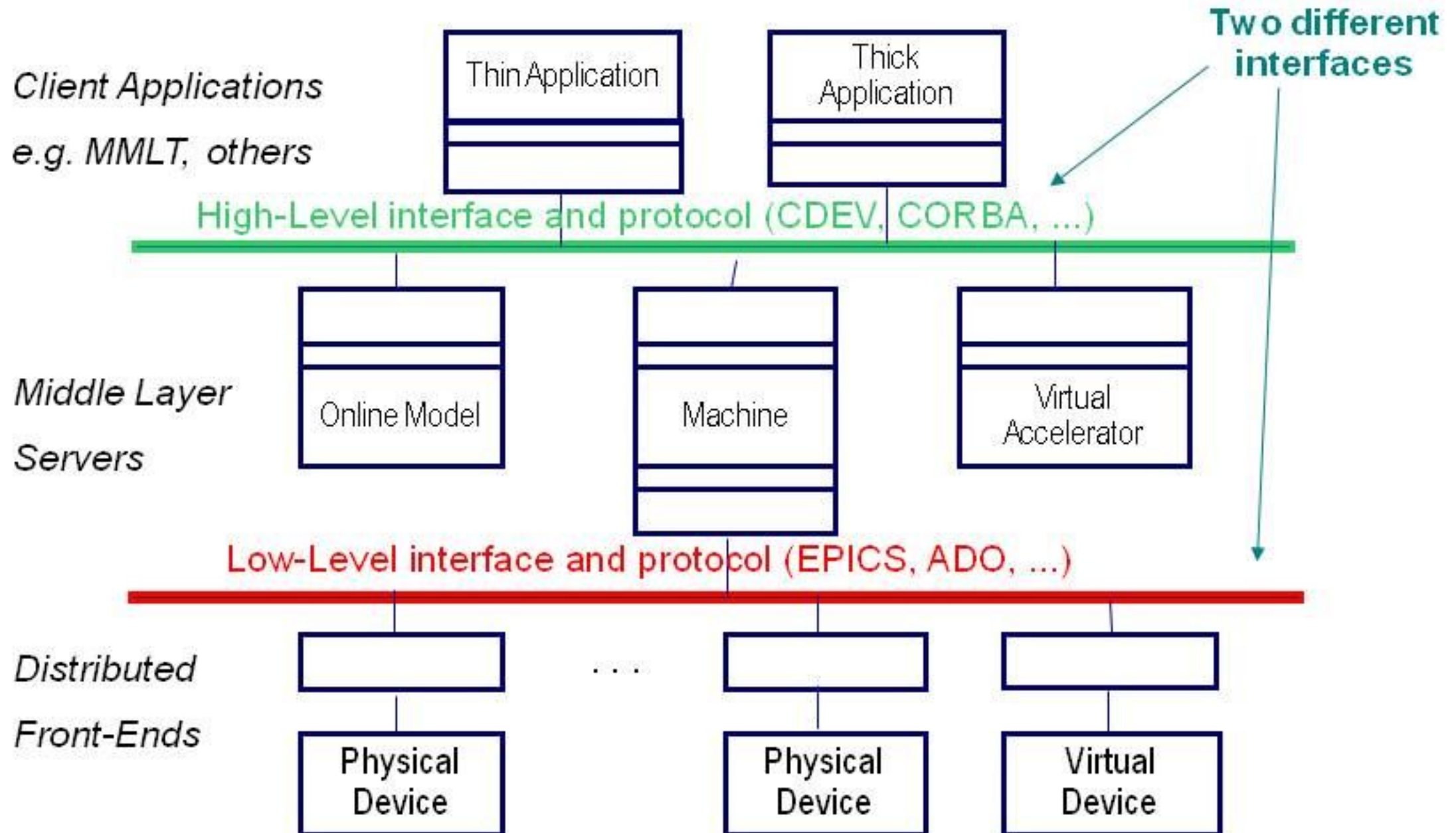
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# Outline

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# Typical three-tier high level application environment





# Standard Publish/Subscribe Specifications

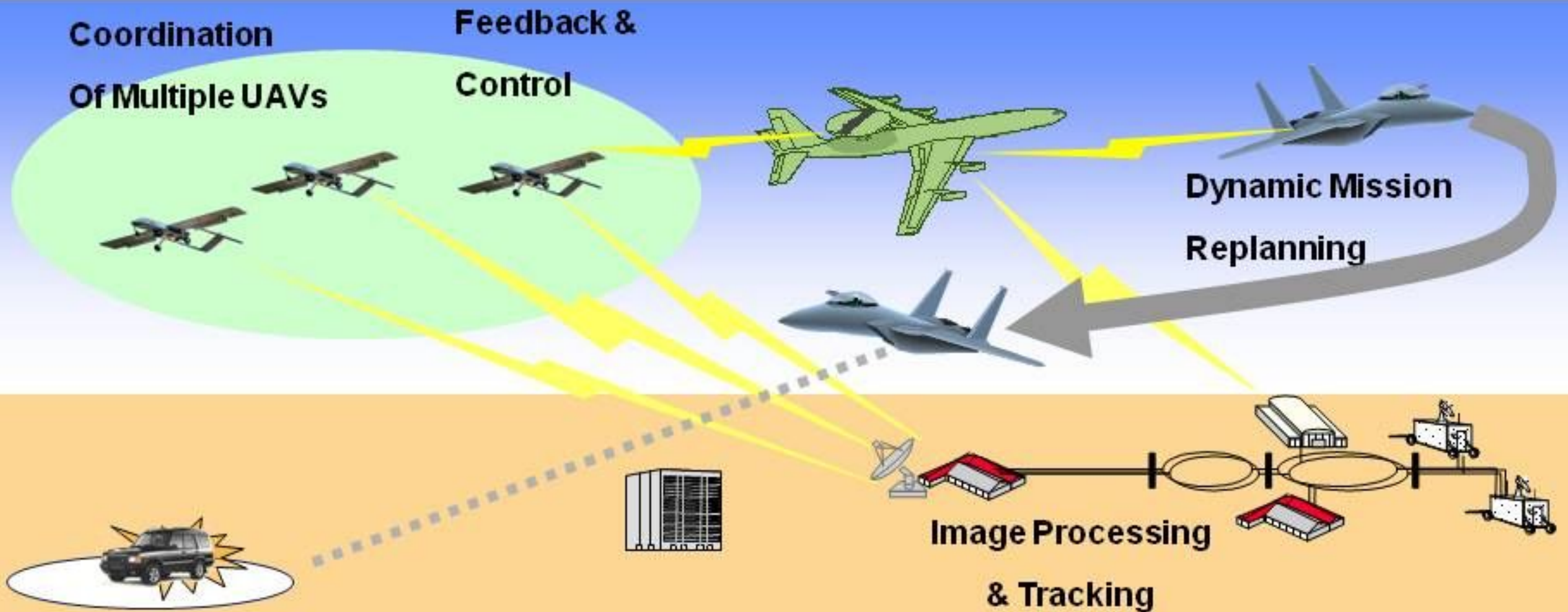
as candidates for high-level interface, [Summer 2008]

Middleware	Language	Data Type	Data Content Filtering	QoS	Complexity	Year
CORBA Event Service	C++, Java, ...	Generic and typed events	no	no	hard	1997
CORBA Notification Service	C++, Java, ...	Structured events	yes	yes	hard	~2000
Java Messaging Service (JMS)	Java	five types: text, map, bytes, stream, object messages	filters are message properties	no	easy	~2000
High Level Application (HLA)	C++, Java, ...	Sequence of octets	no	yes	TBD	~2000
<b>Data Distribution Service (DDS)</b>	<b>C++, Java, ...</b>	<b>User-specific data types</b>	<b>yes</b>	<b>yes</b>	<b>easy</b>	<b>2004</b>

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# Case Study: QoS-enabled Publish/Subscribe Technologies for Tactical Information Management

D. Schmidt. Tutorial on DDS



DARPA PCES Capstone demo, 4/14/05, White Sands Missile Range

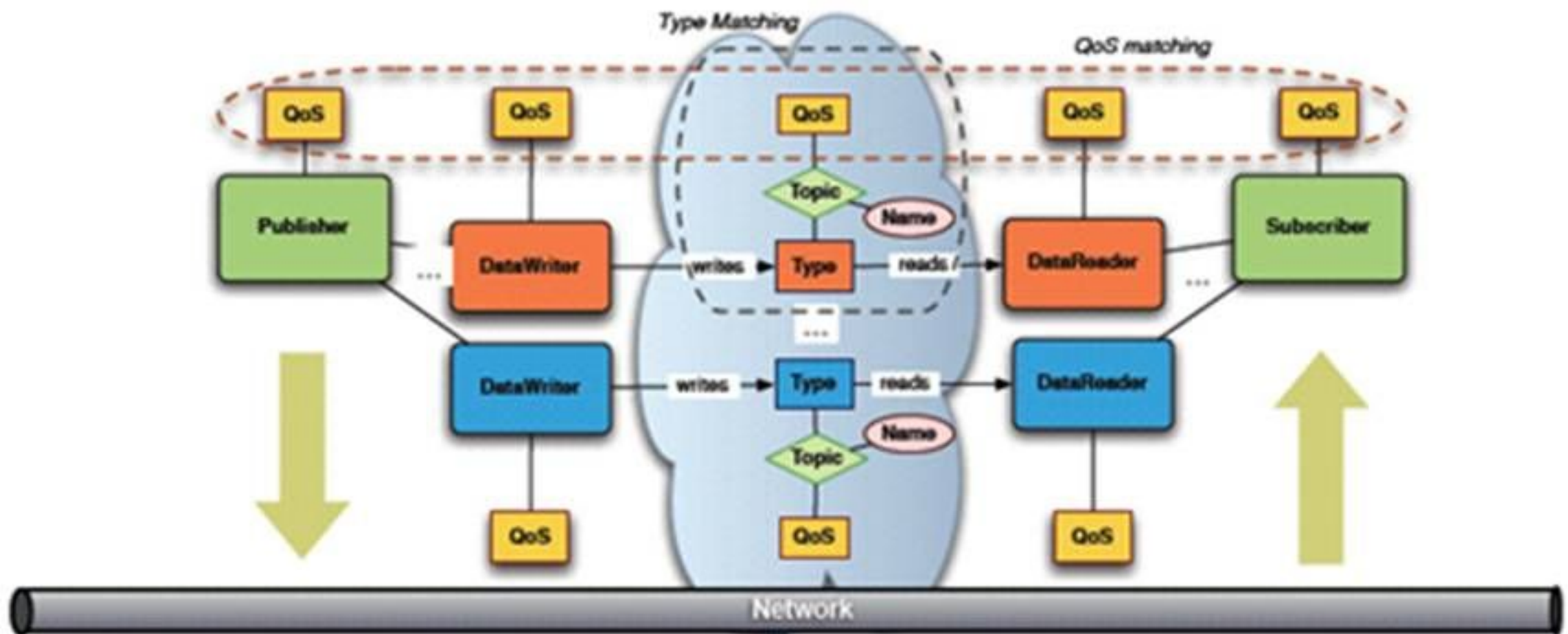


# DDS Data-Centric Publish Subscribe Model

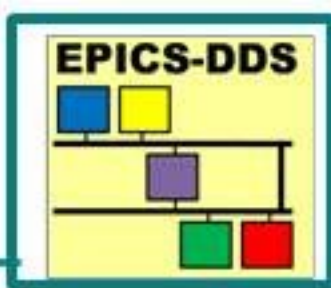
**Topics of Typed Global Data Space:** a logical data space in which applications read and write data asynchronously, decoupled in space and time

**Publisher/Subscriber:** produce/consume information into/from Global Data Space

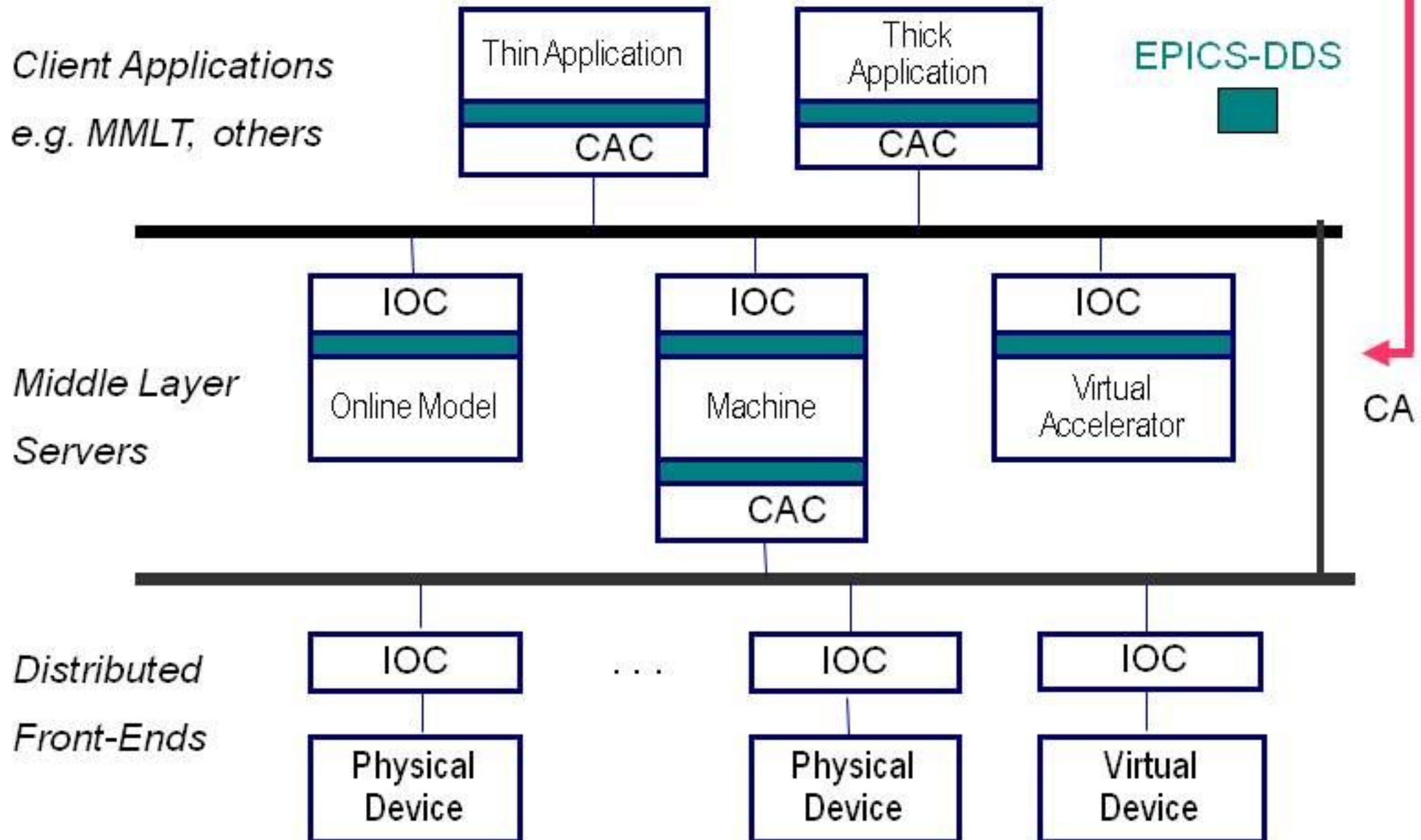
**QoS:** reliability, predictability, availability, timeliness, etc.



# DDS-Based Conceptual Design



**Main Idea:** Start the implementation of the DDS specification in the form of the EPICS extension based on the Channel Access protocol





# Benefits Brought by DDS to EPICS

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The integration of these two technologies addresses five major tasks:

- **First**, DDS brings an industrial standard interface to the accelerator online environment allowing to decouple a variety of high-level applications and toolkits from the underlying low-level control systems, such as EPICS, TINE, TANGO, and others.
- **Second**, the DDS topic-oriented approach elevates the EPICS Channel Access protocol to the high-level applications replacing the additional RPC-like communication interfaces.
- **Third**, DDS creates a basis of Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA) promoting decoupling of the service interfaces from their project-oriented implementations [Nanbor Wang, Tech-X Corp.]
- **Fourth**, the DDS specification introduces some guidance for extending the EPICS infrastructure with the relevant set of quality of service.
- **Finally**, the DDS technology extends the EPICS run-time environment with the relational model creating a platform for adding relational queries and integration of full-scale Data Stream Management Systems (DSMS) for data stream processing and archiving.



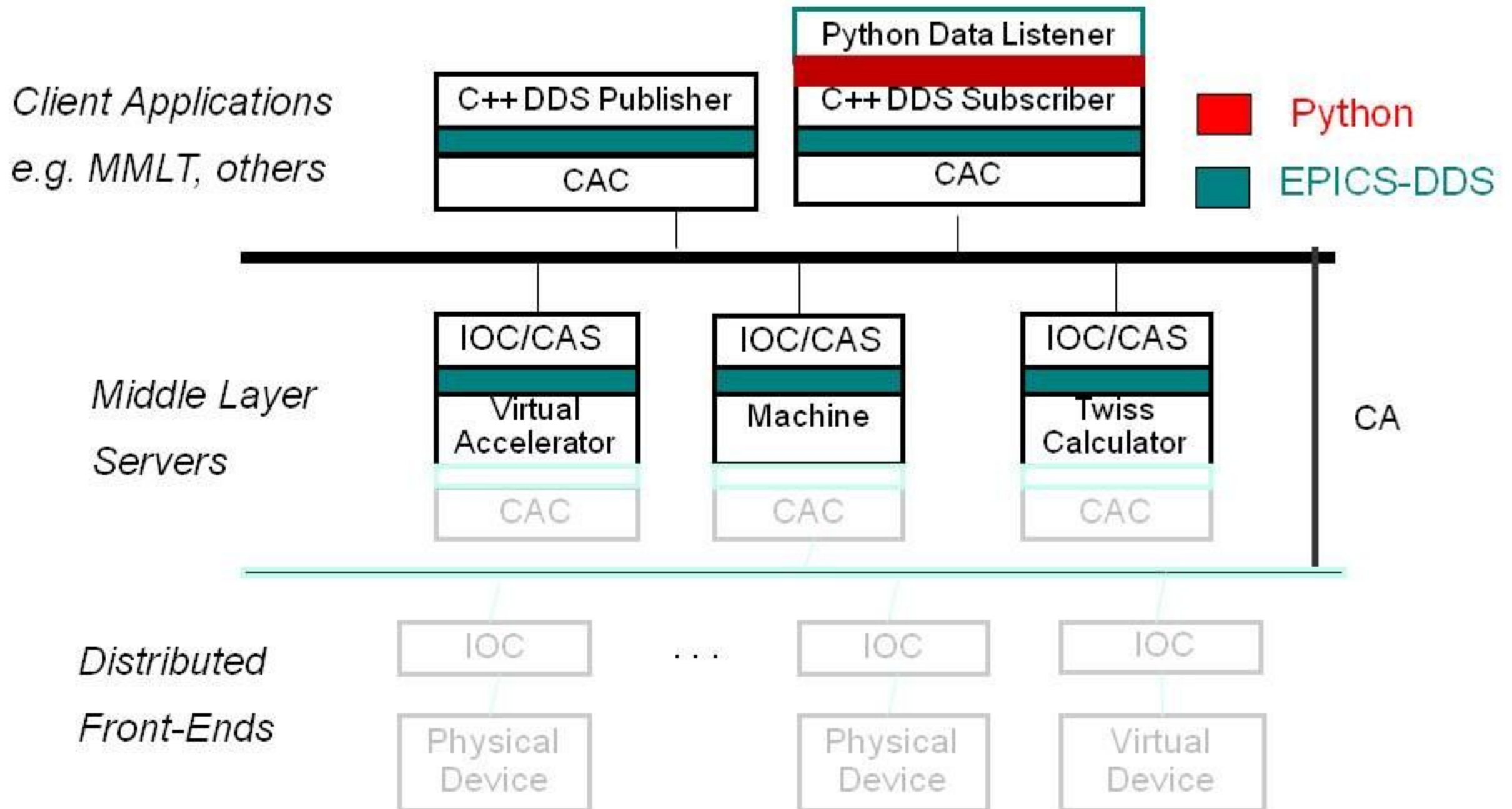
# EPICS-DDS Package

<http://sourceforge.net/projects/epics-dds/>

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- **EPICS-DDS Middleware**: implementation of the OMG Data Distribution Service (DDS) interface based on the EPICS Channel Access (CA) protocol
- **PV Data**: generic hierarchical collection of FieldType's and PVField's including the PV Structure suggested by the Java IOC project
- **Accelerator Model Interfaces (AMI)**: collection of the accelerator-specific interfaces and data containers based on the PV Structure
- **Accelerator Model Servers (AMS)**: accelerator-specific middle layer based on the EPICS Portable CA Server (PCAS)
- **UI**: EPICS-DDS script bindings including Python

# Composite Example





# Benefits Brought by EPICS to DDS:

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- **First**, EPICS represents *de facto* standard open-source software with a multi-year history of numerous successful projects. As a result, it creates a solid basis for developing the open source implementation of the DDS specification.
- **Moreover**, the special features of the Channel Access approach provide the advantageous means for solving the complex DDS issues, for example **server-based event filtering**. The new **PVData concept** from the coming EPICS 4 version introduces another important idea addressing the recent OMG RFP: Extensible and Dynamic Topic Types for DDS.

# New Tasks (life after ICALEPCS'09 .... )

