High Availability Solutions for MPE

System Clustering, Replication and Disaster Recovery for 24 x 7 Data Accessibility



Quest's Mission

To enable business applications to run nonstop, especially when under unusually high loads and even higher end-user expectations



Quest MPE Solutions





Market Reality

- 80% of application failures are due to software problems and human error; only 20% are hardware or network-related (GartnerGroup)
- Application downtime is extremely costly and can often mar an organization's reputation
- There is a shortage of qualified people to manage today's complex infrastructures



MPE/iX Environment Needs

- High Availability & Clustering
 - Outgrowing and upgrading systems; developing Disaster Recovery plan
- Middleware & Data Warehousing
 - Developing data warehouse or Web server; deploying client/server apps to access legacy data with open systems
- Output Management
 - Build report warehouse for archiving; instant access to reports

Solutions for the HP e3000

- High Availability Solutions
 - Real-time access to mission-critical data
 - replication, clustering and disaster recovery
- Middleware Solutions
 - Define a common gateway to open systems environments that's flexible and easy to use
- Output Management Solutions
 - Instant access to reports for viewing and printing users print only the information they need

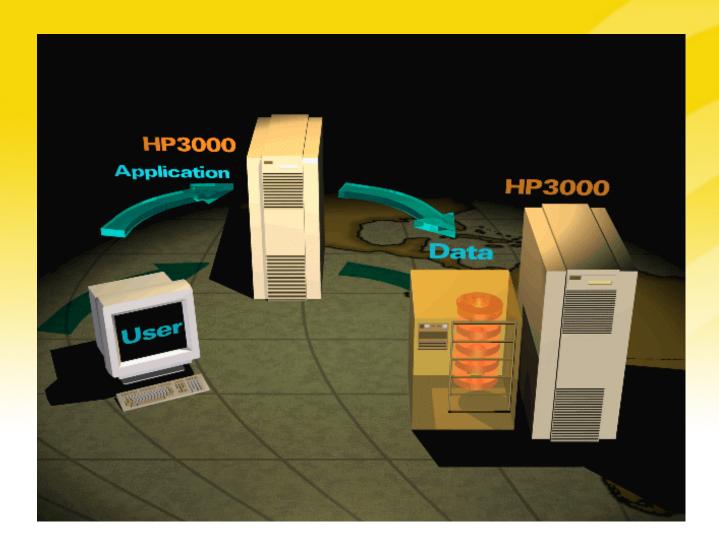


High Availability Solutions

- Continuous data availability for local or remote systems to achieve seamless data sharing
- Products:
 - NetBase[®] Network File Access (NFA)
 - NetBase[®] Shadowing
 - NetBase[®] Statistics
 - AutoRPM[™]
 - NBCopyTM
 - Quark+TM



NetBase NFA

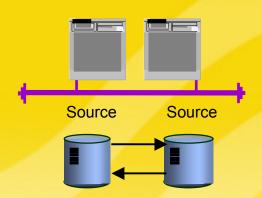




NetBase NFA Strategies

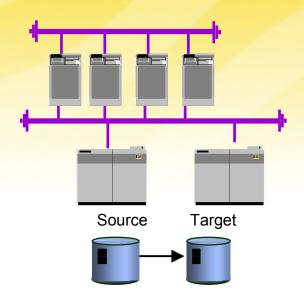
Application Server

Each primary database resides on its own machine with the associated application. NFA can provide access to other system's data, when required, with directory entries.



Database Engine

One or more application servers simultaneously access a single primary database for reads and updates. Typical configurations include a shadowed system for high availability.



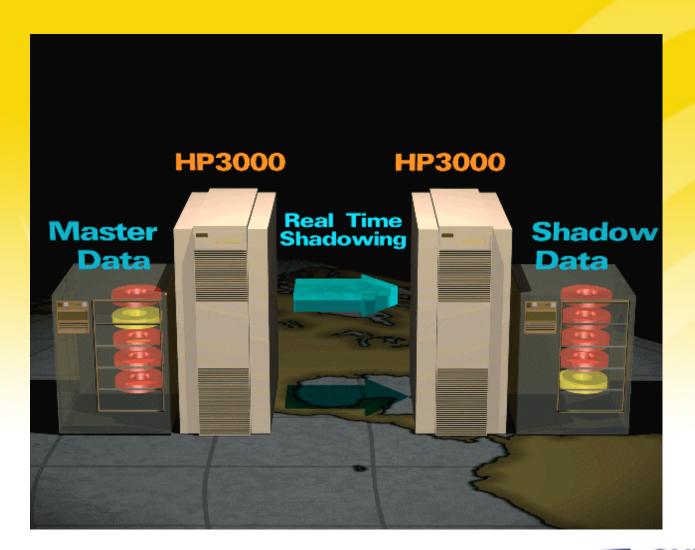


NetBase NFA Benefits

- Extremely scalable: thousands of users via multiple application servers
 - Horizontal growth extends HP e3000's high end
 - Distribute users to low-cost front-end engines; minimize application tier costs
- Minimize downtime by adding new servers
- Reduce costs for workgroups, reduce disk costs
- Increase functionality of environment and information availability



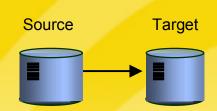
NetBase Shadowing



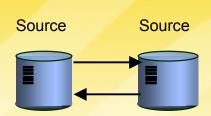


NetBase Shadowing Strategies

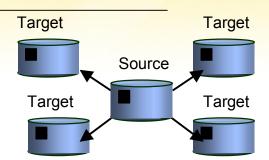
Peer-to-Peer Replication
 Source data acts as "master" or primary source database by replicating data to a "slave" or target database. Selective data can be replicated.



Bi-directional Replication
 Either source or target can replicate different databases and act as a backups for each other.



Broadcast Replication
 Single source, data broadcast to multiple target databases.





NetBase Shadowing Features

- Real-time, wide-availability data protection
 - Target data always available; zero data recovery after failure; offload queries to secondary machines
 - Eliminate need for tape vaulting and controlling Disaster Recovery Plan with remote replication
 - Online-backup capability on secondary systems, anytime, during production
- Minimal system footprint (compared to log-based solutions)
- Do system maintenance during regular business hours

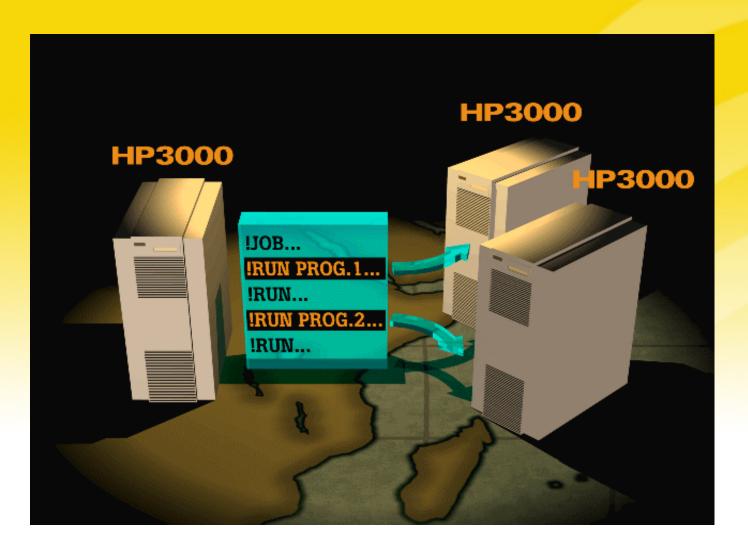


NetBase Statistics Features

- Impact Analysis: scenario generator allows a "whatif" approach prior to making changes
- Peak system performance: intelligence on NFA file placement
 - Capture statistics on file access, network overhead, fileaccess response time and system location
 - Trace facility utility enables developers to trace in detail all file system intrinsic calls
 - Essential for large shops with application calls that are unknown or applications with 4th GL generated code



AutoRPM





AutoRPM - Features

- Save money on software licensing
 - Interface built into central directory of HP's Remote Process Management (RPM) facility
 - System administrators can create stubs on one system for software licenses to be executed on another
 - Automatically forwards program executions to another system with software license; executes the program and passes the results back to the user
 - Can setup target application servers to execute against local or remote NFA data



NBCopy and Quark+ Features

NBCOPY

Copy files over network without NS/3000 services overhead

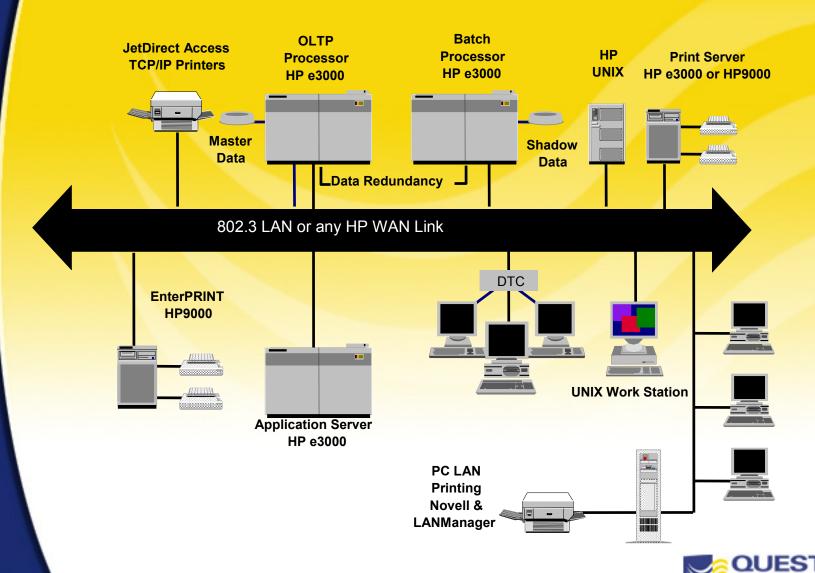
Quark+

- Compress multiple files into archive with directory and account structures intact (like PKZip®)
- Compression up to 20:1

NBCOPY and Quark+

- Distribute "Quarked" archives over network
- Automatically locate last file sent when DSCOPY stops
- Both aid in timely remote resynchronization of data on a shadowed system

MPE Environment



Example

Problem:

- Replace mainframe mail-order system
- Volume requirements:
 - -10,000 users
 - -100,000 calls/hour
- Redundancy & fault tolerance mandatory



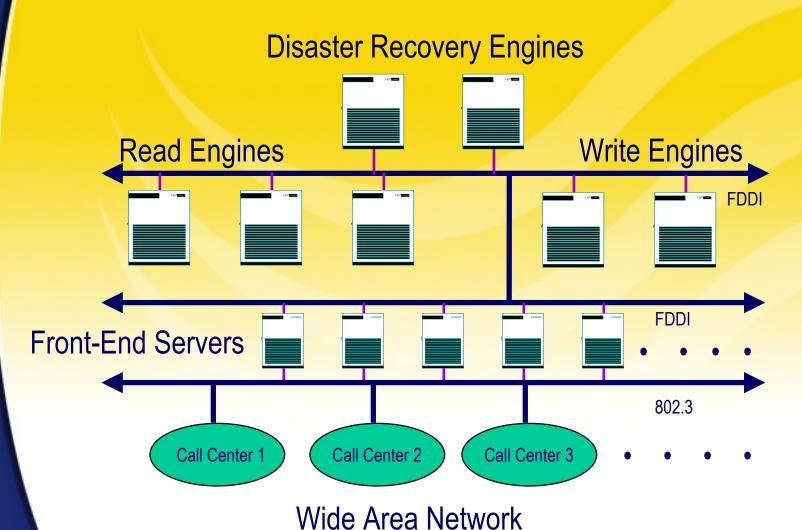
Solution

Custom Solution:

- Database Write Engine
- Multiple Read Engines
- COBOL Application
 - Multiplexing RPCs
 - Automatic retry of failed RPCs
- Hot Spare DRP Engines



Solution Mechanics





High Availability Clients

- Agilent Technologies
- American United Life
- Mercury Insurance
- MicroWarehouse
- PayUSA
- TTC

Partners

- McKesson HBOC AMISYS
- Smith Gardner & Associates



Quality Quest is Quality

- Easy to use and install
- World-class support
- Complete product families
- Quick ROI (hours/days)
- Technology expertise



