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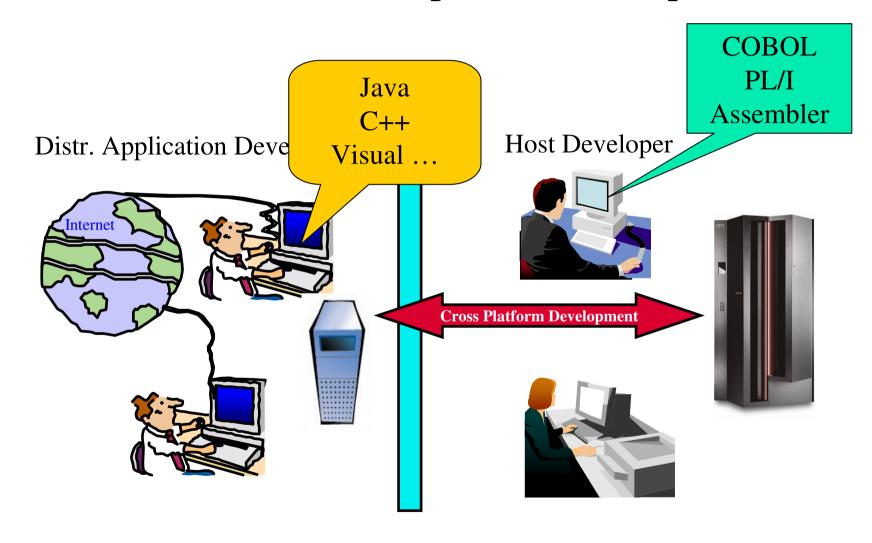


Development objectives !!!

- Tools for managing existing z/VSE source code and changes
 - COBOL, ASM, PL/I, C
 - increased productivity for changes and new development
 - flexibility in versioning
 - effective group development control
- Develop for multiple platforms
 - common framework for the enterprise instead of multiple unique platform dependent tools
 - same basic tool set for open systems and mainframe
- Open source based technology
 - tools that students know from school and university communities
 - help new developers adapt to the mainframe

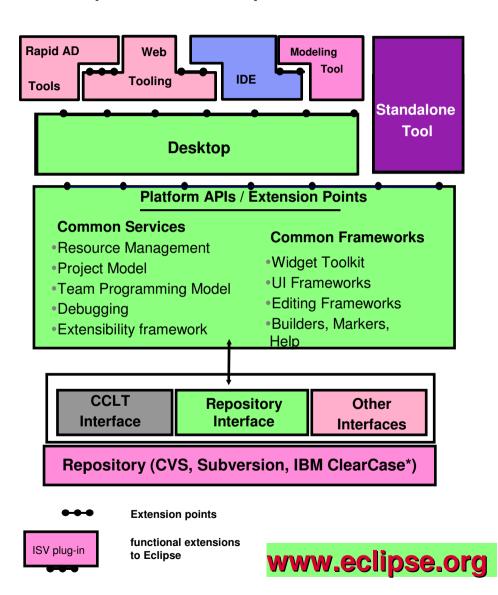


'Distributed' Development Landscape...





Eclipse – the open Standard for application development

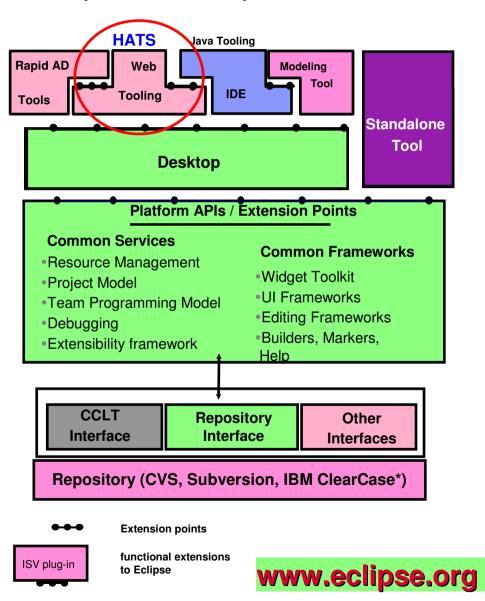


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 - with modern Editors
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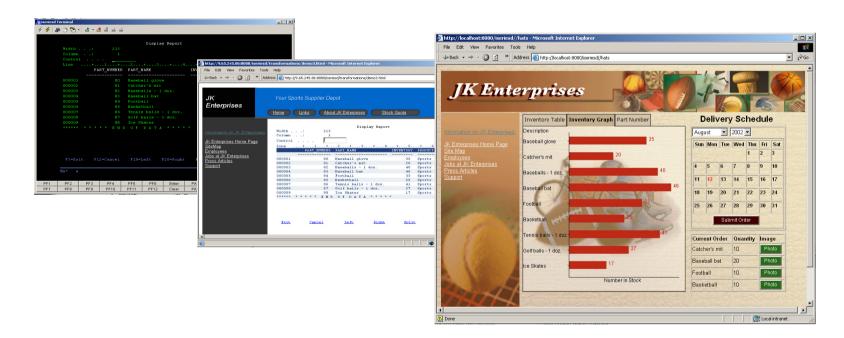
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Host Access Transformation Server (HATS)

- A Web-to-host integrator, HTML emulator ...
- rules-based transformation engine, application integration ...
- converts green screens to graphical user interfaces in web applications
- improves ease-of-use of host applications.

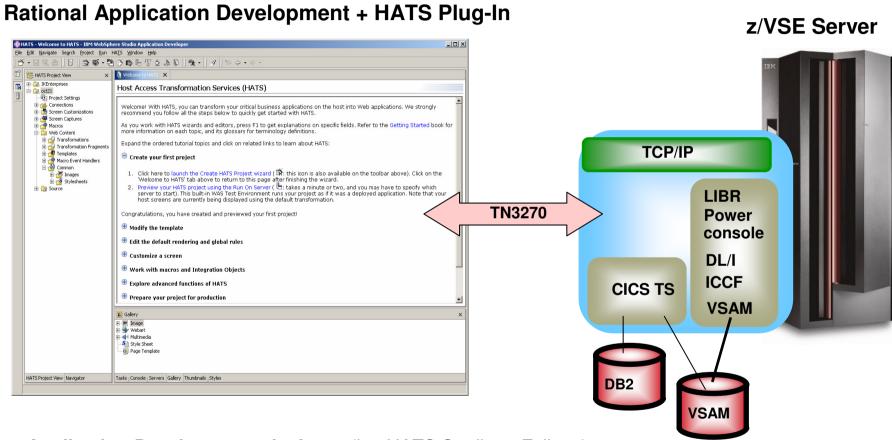


Benefit: Easily extend existing applications to the web



Modernize Existing Applications with HATS

(2) Integrate existing applications in Web applications – in Java



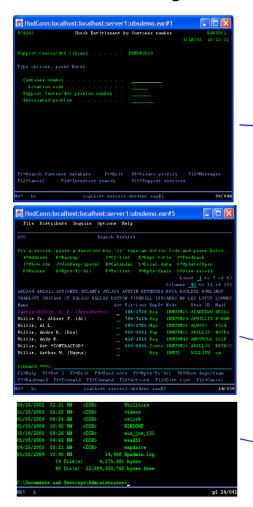
- Application-Development in Java (i.e. HATS Studio or Eclipse)
- The new application accesses unchanged VSE application and data
- the new application is a web application using internet technologies

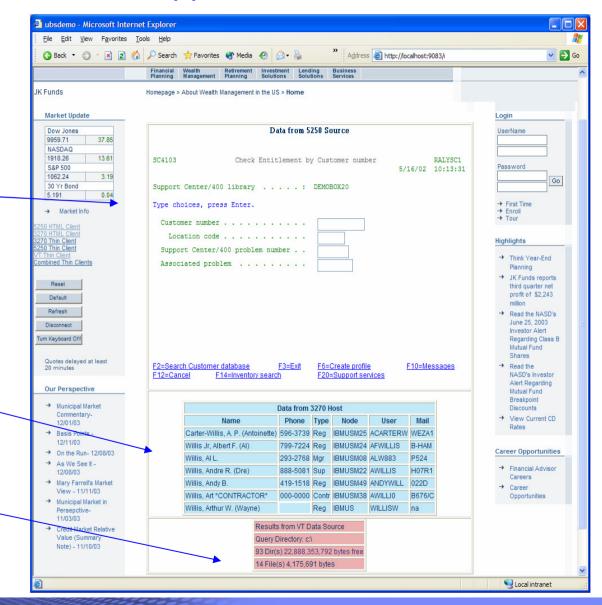


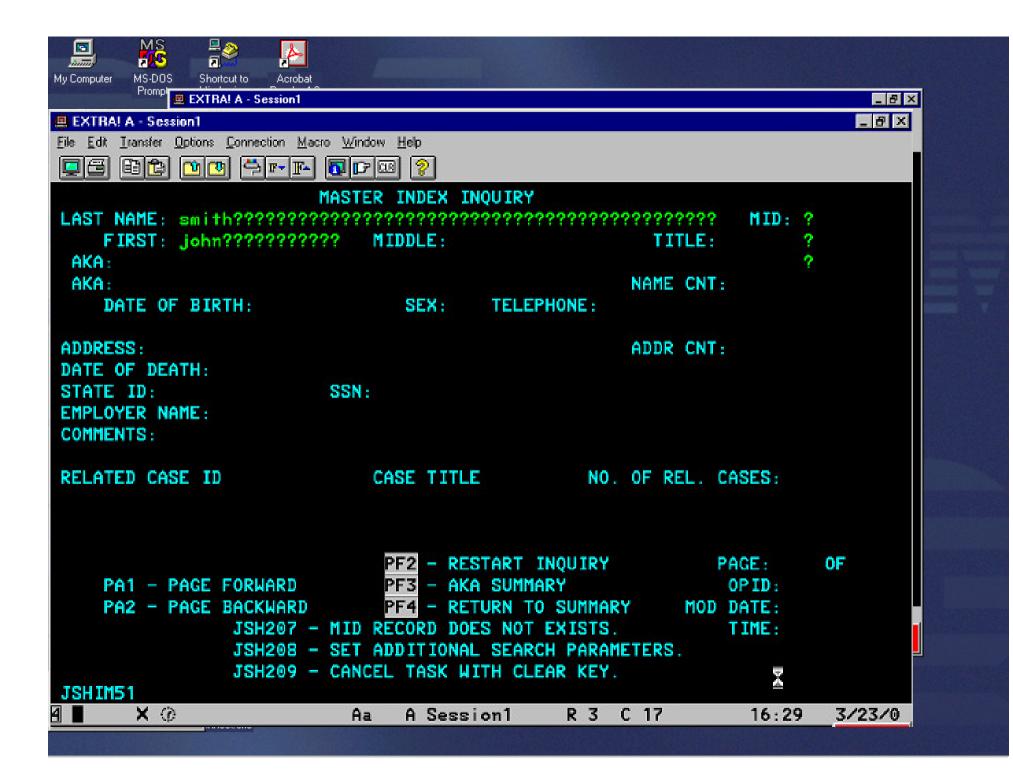
Web application for z/VSE applications with 3270 interface

HATS Advantages:

■Combine / Integrate

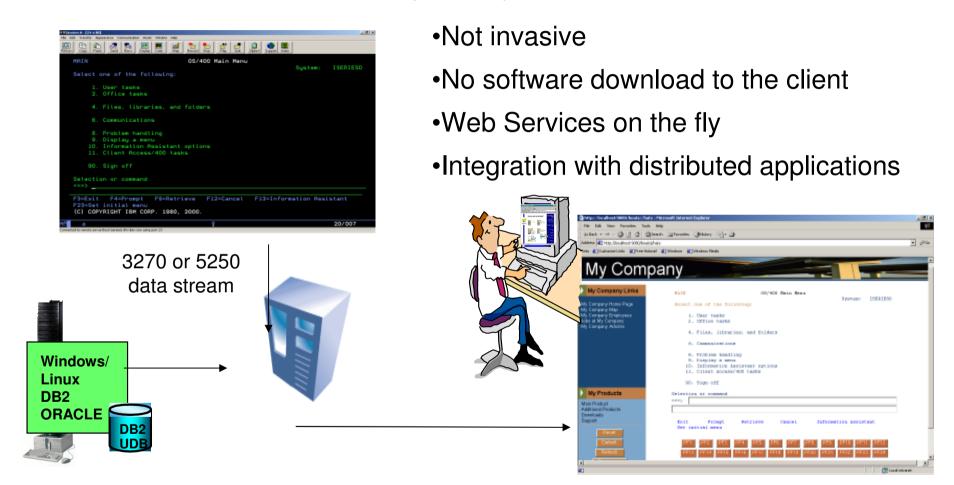








Application Integration with Host Access Transformation Services (HATS)

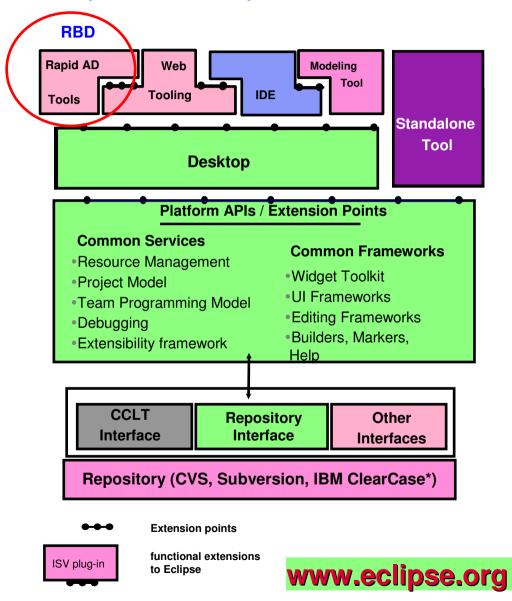


Screen transformation rules running on WebSphere Application Server

HTML in a Browser



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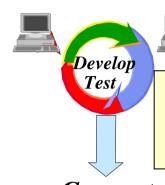
(2) Cross Platform Solution development **Approach with 4GL Language (EGL)**

Rapid Development

Generation

Execution

- Multiple platforms
- Client /Server Applications
- Java applets/servlets or standalone
- Multiple database/file support apps



IBM 4GL history:

CSP (~1981) -> VAGen (~ 1994) -> EGL (~2003) Migration-Options available ...

Generate



GUI, Java, HTML, C++, COBOL, PL/I

z/VSE(CICS, Batch)



HP/UX Solaris





z/OS, (CICS, IMS, Batch)



Linux

DB2 UDB VSAM ODBC Oracle DLI, IMS/DB

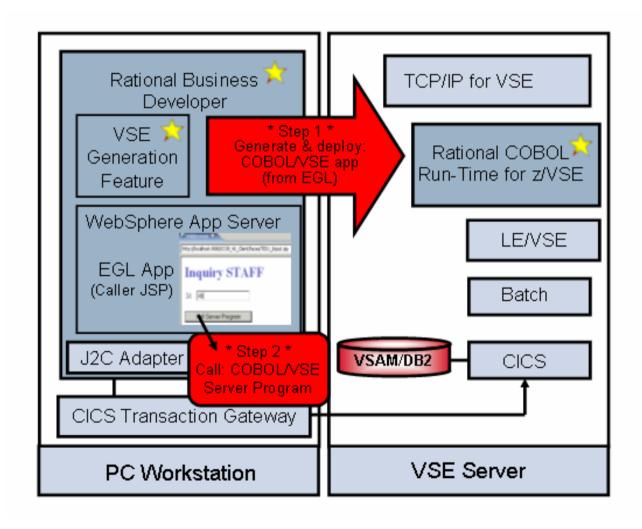


Modern development environment with RBD

- IBM Rational Business Developer
- Since December 2008, continued 4GL support for z/VSE is available:
- z/VSE host component IBM Rational COBOL Runtime for z/VSE (V7.5) (replaces the Visual Age Generator Server for VSE)
- 2. PC tool for development: IBM Rational Business Developer (RBD V7.5.1) and the associated components
 - IBM Rational Business Developer Extension for VSE V7.5.1
 - COBOL Code generation for z/VSE
 - Generation for System z (z/OS)
- J2C-Tools (Java EE Connector)
- IBM CICS Transaction Gateway (optional for CICS access only)



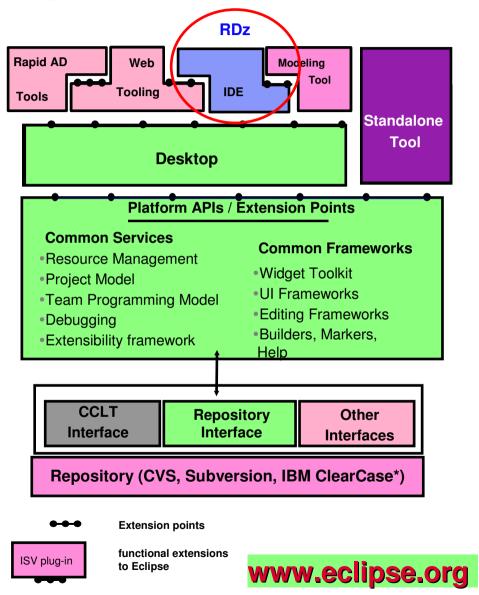
RBD – functional view (Generate COBOL applications on z/VSE using EGL)



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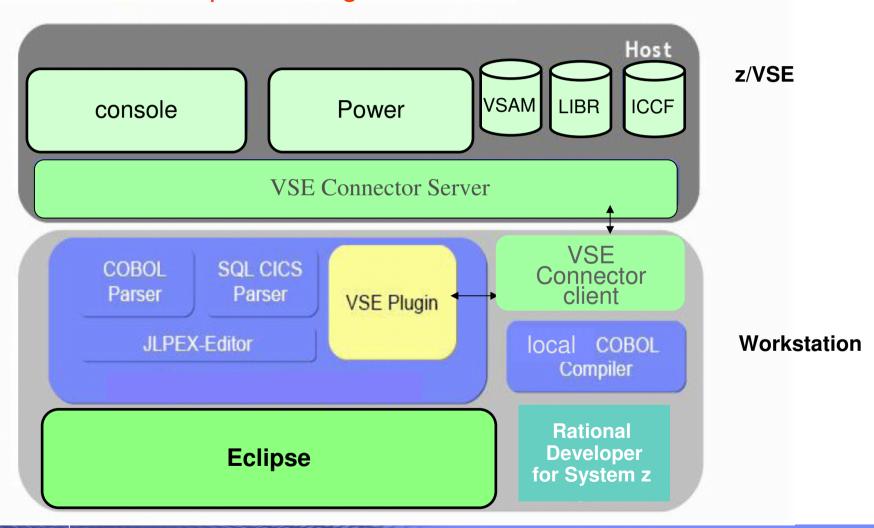
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The IBM Development environment for the enterprise

Rational Developer for System z (RDz 7.5) with z/VSE Development Plug-in for RDz 7.5



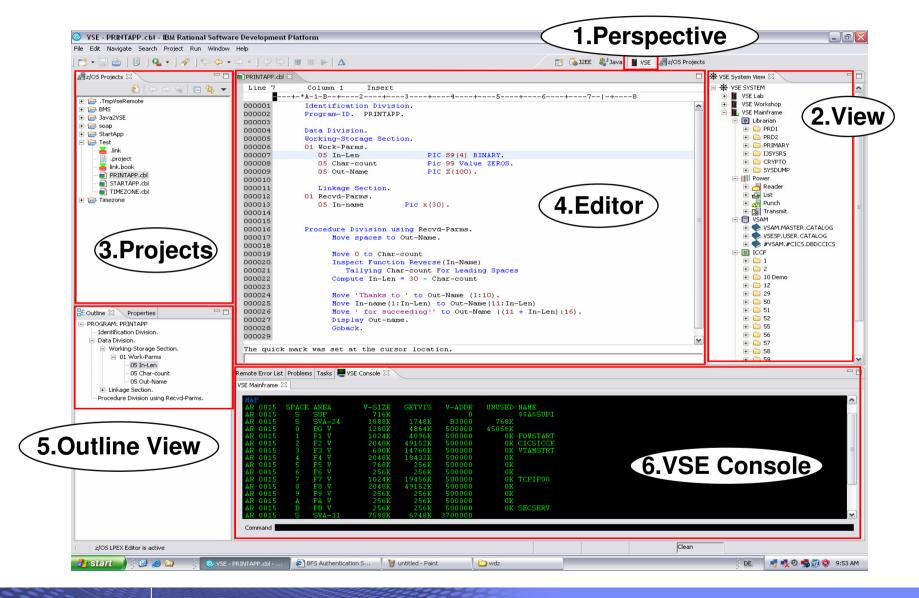


RDz functions for z/VSE and z/OS development

- Enhanced Eclipse tools with mainframe development functions
 - special editor functions for mainframe languages
 - local COBOL compiler
 - support for COBOL, ASM, PL/I, C
 - editor for CICS BMS maps
 - support for SQL generation
 - functions for remote processing and mainframe deployment
- Integrated test environment
 - full functional test within the development environment
 - debug possibility via z/VSE emulation window

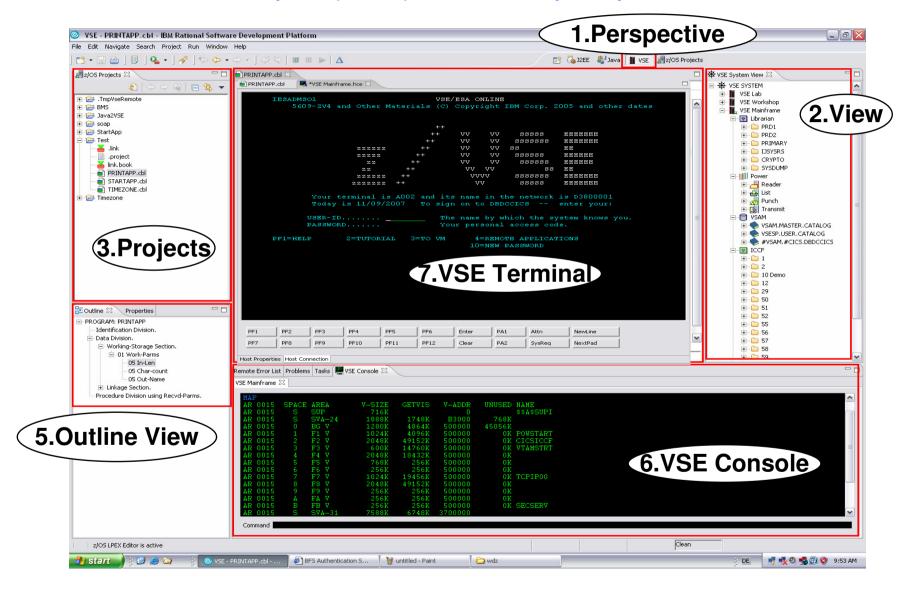


Rational Developer (RDz) in z/VSE perspective



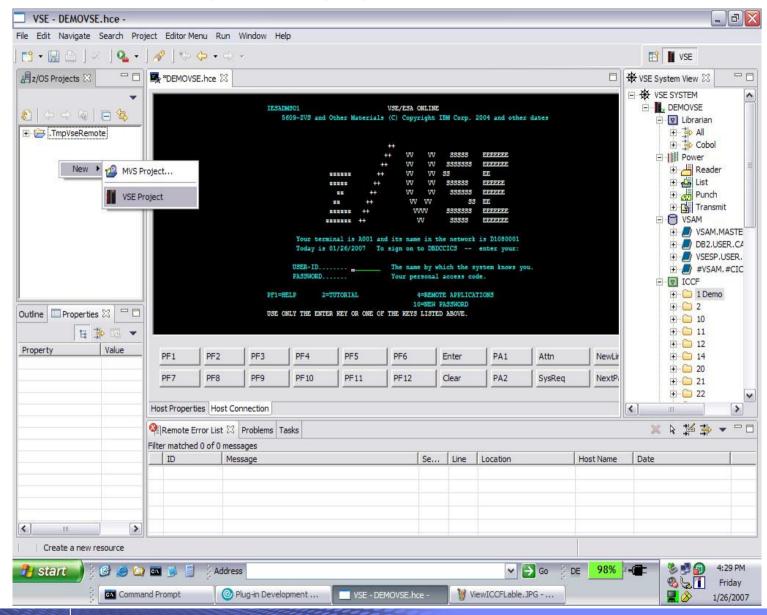


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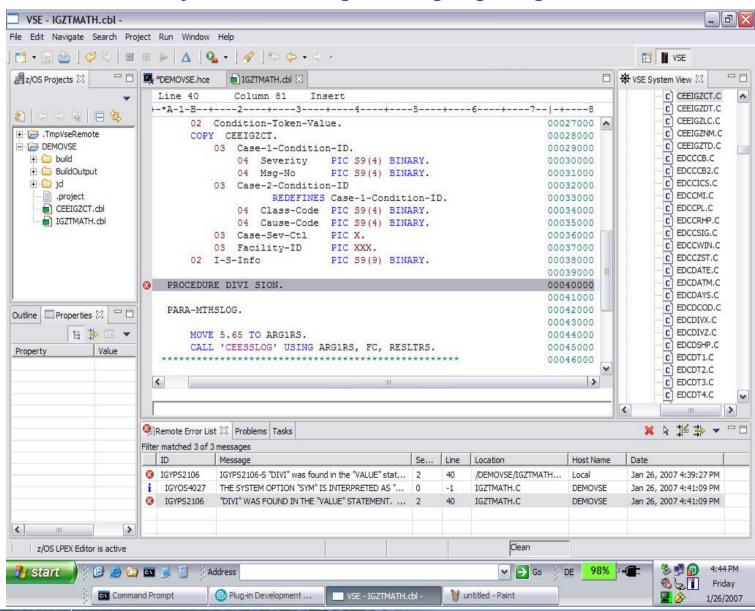


Develop a z/VSE project



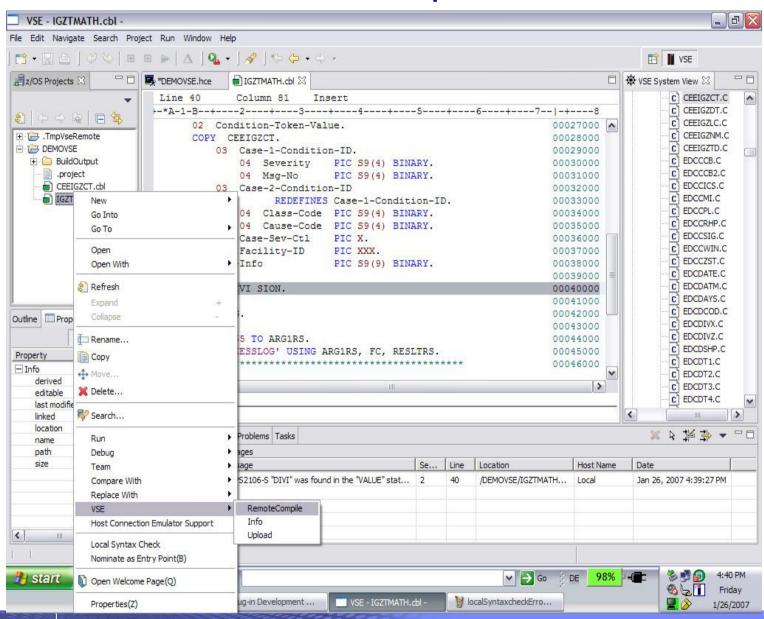


COBOL Syntax checking and highlighting

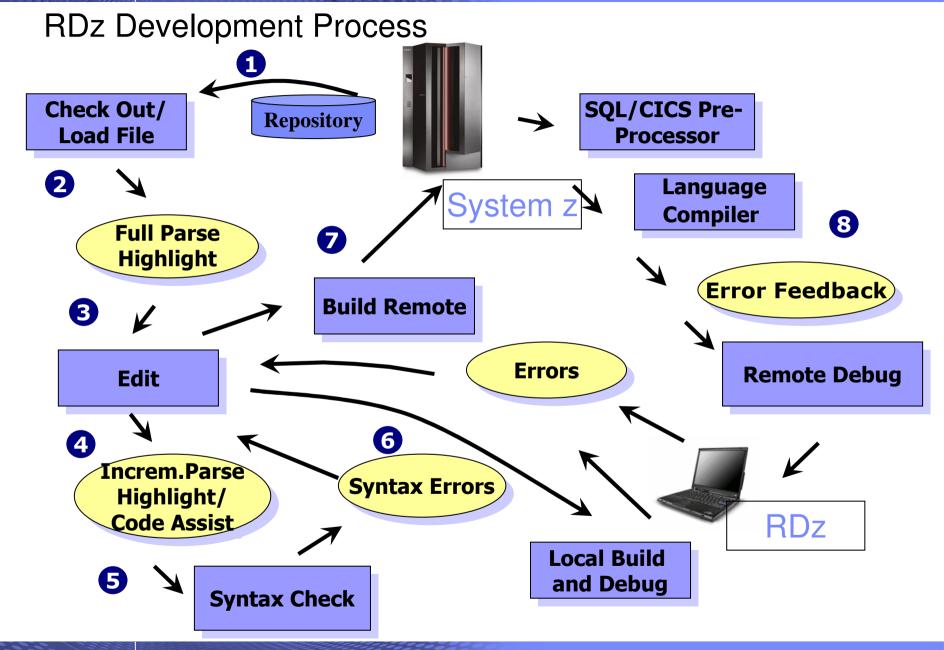




z/VSE local and remote Compile

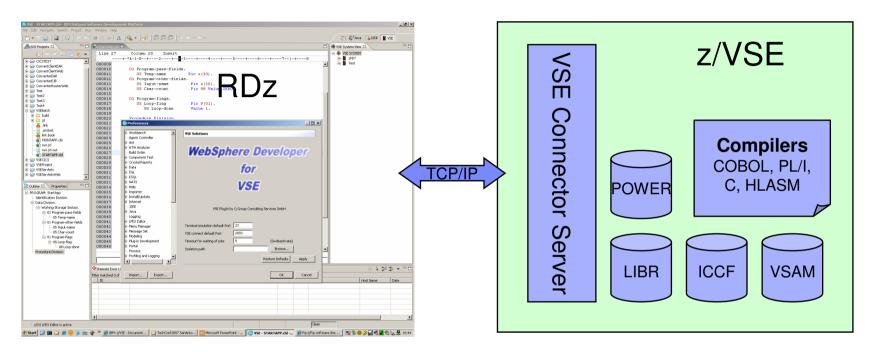








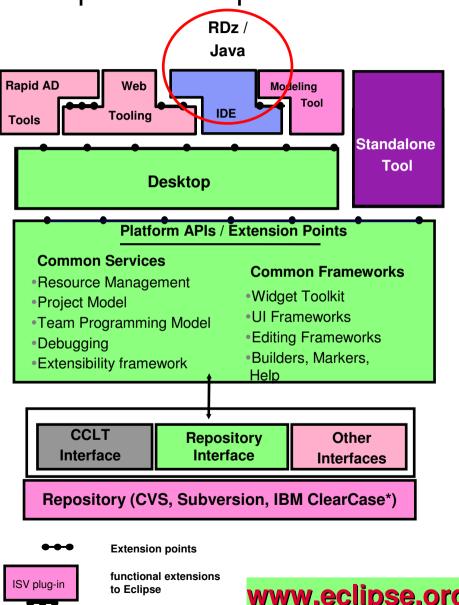
(1) Development of COBOL applications in RDz



- Development of COBOL
 - batch and CICS application
 - Source code editing/checking
 - Access to z/VSE within the tool (console and 3270 access)
 - Compile, Link and error feedback from z/VSE
- Additional supported languages: PL/I, ASM, C, BSM Maps



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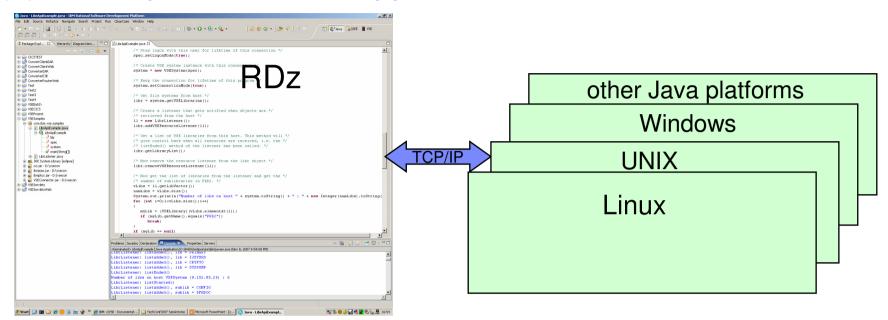


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(3) Development of Java applications in RDz



Development of native Java applications

- for systems like UNIX, Linux, Windows or other Java platforms
- Edit, compile and Build
- Test the Java application in the integrated WebSphere test environment and access z/VSE resources
- additional supported languages are C, C++, REXX

Development of Java applications to access z/VSE resources

- use of z/VSE Java-Based Connectors
- develop SOA components to access z/VSE services



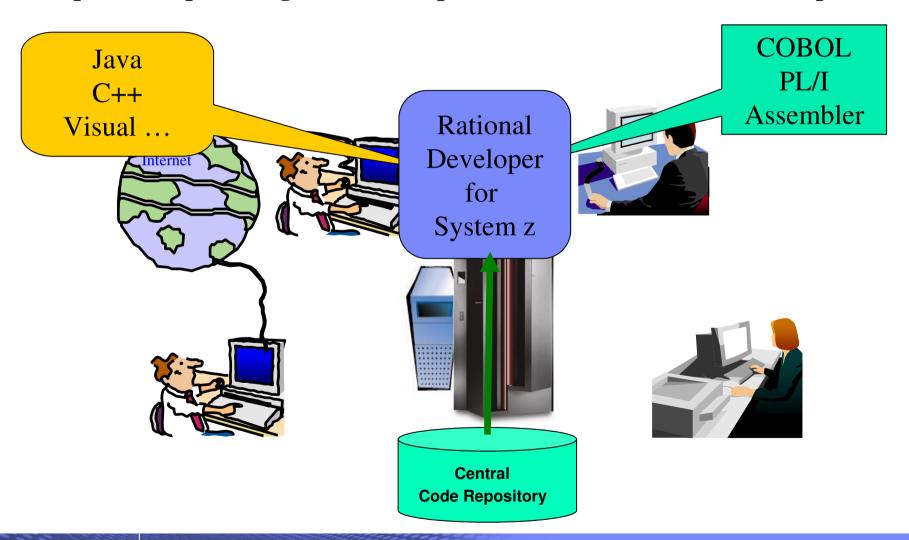
Conclusion: Development for all platforms with one tool set

- A modern tool set to support z/VSE development and maintenance
 - -modern editor for enhanced productivity
 - -tools to analyse and optimize existent applications and workflow
- Common framework for enterprise development
 - -standard for all developers
 - example: z/VSE with COBOL, Linux on System z with Java
 - –easy skill transfer
- Open source framework
 - -commonly thought in schools and universities
 - -smooth introduction of new developers to the mainframe



Summary

Eclipse – an open Integrated Development Environment for the enterprise





z/VSE Additional Information

- z/VSE Home Page
 - http://www.ibm.com/servers/eserver/zseries/zvse/
- z/VSE Solutions and Utilities
 http://www-1.ibm.com/servers/eserver/zseries/zvse/solutions/
- RDz
 - http://www-01.ibm.com/software/awdtools/rdz/
- RDz Plug-In for VSE http://www.qgrp.de/index.php?show=produkte&id=1&detail=wdz
- •Live Virtual Classes for RDz for VSE http://www-03.ibm.com/servers/eserver/zseries/zvse/education/index.html#completed



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