## Delivering the Network Centric Capability to the Warfighter Today



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## **Executive Summary**

- Ultra-Thin-Rich-Client User Interface (UTRC-UI) Technology can deliver net-centric applications today overcoming the limitations of
  - Network bandwidth and connectivity
  - HTML-based Web application development
- Many success cases illustrate the value creation potential of this new innovation as applied to network centric warfare:
  - Timeliness
  - Relevancy
  - Accuracy
  - Security
- Compelling value proposition is that the potential scope of application areas is quite diverse, enabling the warfighters to realize the transformational NCW vision today



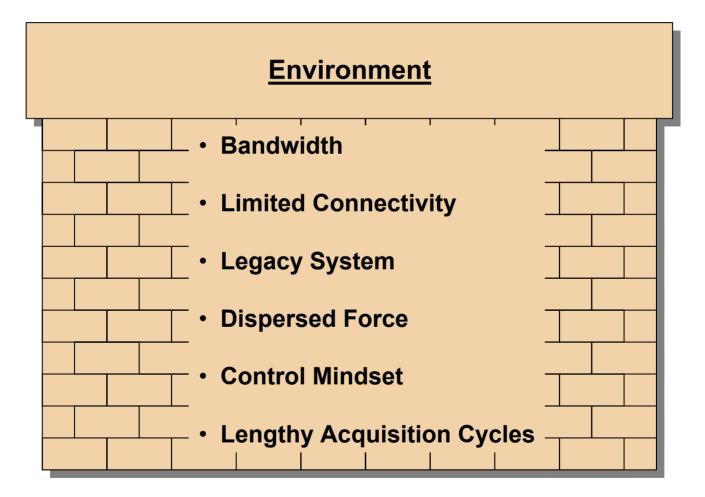
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Source: Network Centric Innovation Center



## Challenges with Current Web Approach

### **End-User Experience Issues**

- Page-based navigation
- No desktop look and feel
- No real-time data
- Slow application response

**Development Issues** 

- Multiple development and testing environments
- Limitations in GUI design
- Security concerns
- Limited options for application performance and functionality



## **UTRC-UI** Solution

- Rich software functionality yet thin client - zero footprint
- On average 10x faster than HTML
- Event-driven Alerts
- Real-time data
- Secure
- Own channel outside browser
- Branded desktop icon no navigation
- Easy distribution via e-mail or browser
- Standards: Java, C++, SSL; J2EE, XML





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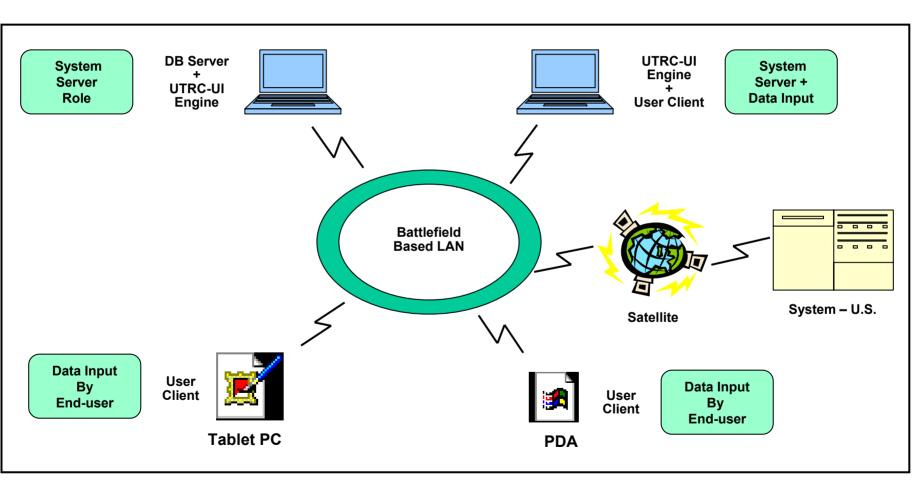


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### *Mini-Case 1:* **Real-time Deployment of CSS**

### Combat Support System Deployment Configuration



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#### **Original CSS Screens**

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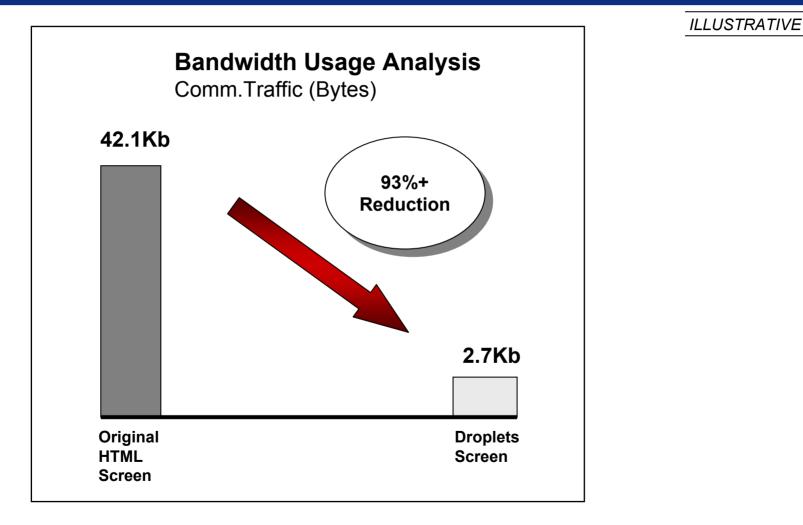
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UTRC-UI Collapsed Multiple CSS Page Screens Into a Single Interactive Screen.



### High Performance through Low Bandwidth Consumption

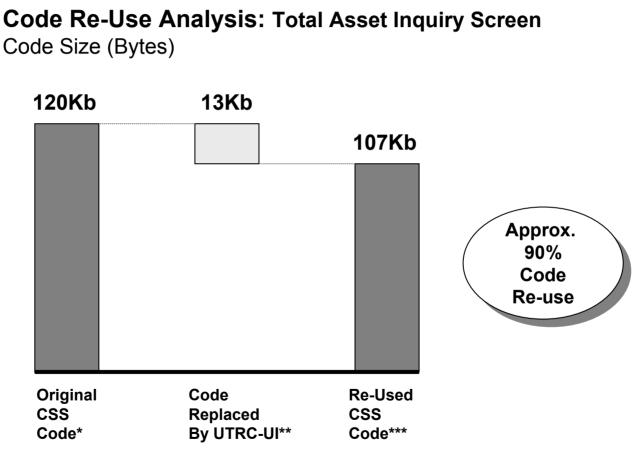


Source: Droplets Analysis – Screen 517



### Investment Protected through 90% Re-use of Existing Code

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\*\* JSP and JavaScript

\*\*\* Servlets

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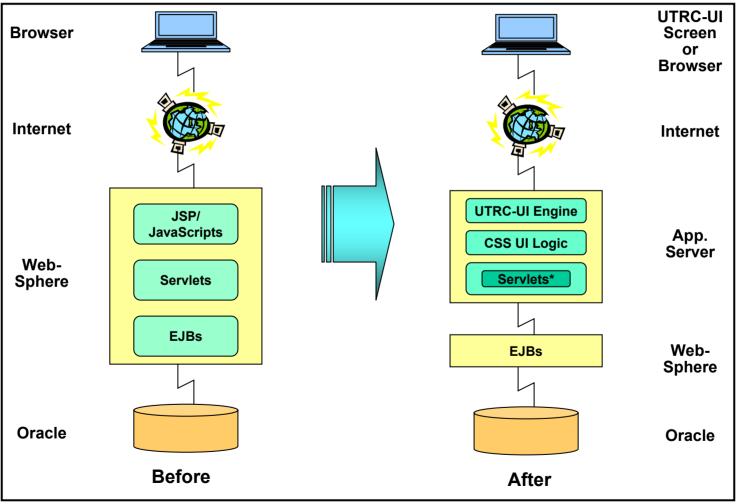
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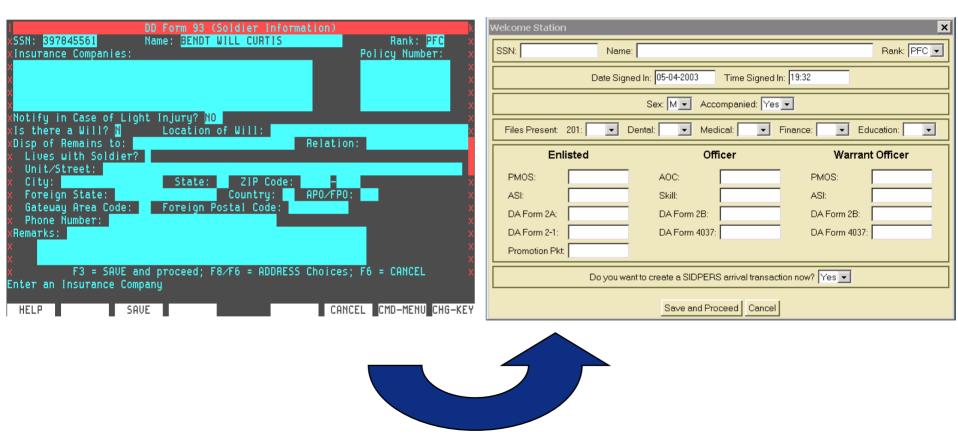
### **Multi-tiered CSS Architecture**



# Droplets<sup>TT</sup> Modernizing Legacy Applications

### **Original Green Screen**

### Improved Web Screen



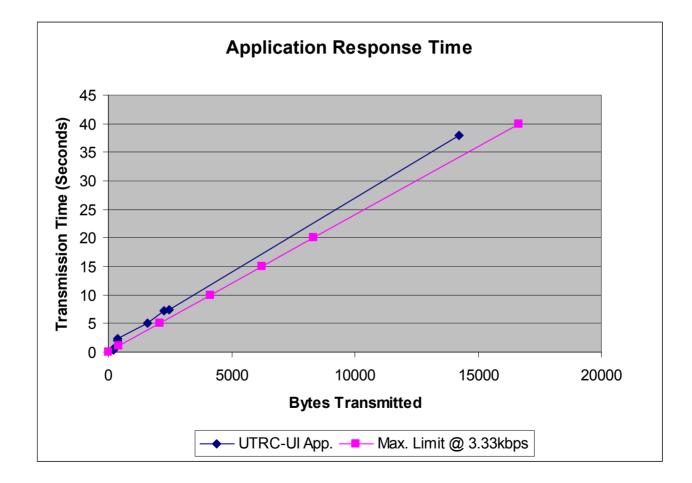


## Real-time Performance at 3300 Baud Rate

Interaction Type	Avg. App. Response Time (Seconds)	Avg. UTRC-UI Traffic Size (Bytes)	UTRC-UI Payload in Comm. Packet (Percent)
Data screen components (drop down fields)	0.5	218	17
Data entry (text and number entry)	2	371	21
Screen change (new screen loading)	6	2,014	70
App. start up (new session initiation)	38	14,223	7



## **Communications Over EPLRs and SINCGARs**





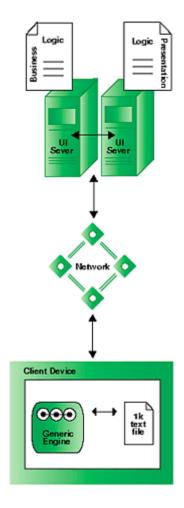
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### **Architecture Schematic**





### **Industry Standards**

- Standards: Java, C++, SSL, J2EE, XML
- Java Server Faces: Sitting Expert on Java Community Process
- **IBM Tested:** WebSphere, eServers and Linux (zSeries, iSeries, pSeries-WIP, xSeries)
- Sun Tested: Solaris, Sun Tone Certified
- Oracle Tested: 9i, JDeveloper
- Borland Supported: JBuilder 8
- Microsoft Tested: Windows 2000, Windows NT, Windows 95 or higher
- PDA Environment: Personal Java, Linux
- Portals: Oracle, Sun ONE, Plumtree, Websphere, any J2EE compliant portal



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## Value Proposition

### **Potential Business Impact**

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Key Issues	UTRC-UI Value to NCW	Solution Effective.*	Tech. Complex.**	Low Cost	
Productivity (End-User)	Unified system front-end		0		
Usability	Consolidation of multiple screens; Eliminate web pages		0		
Access Points	Web, Wireless, Desktop		$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	
Legacy Extension	Extend ROI; Web enable, Enhance usability		$\bigcirc$		
D,T, M, & S***	Central control (server-based)	$\bigcirc$	0	$\bigcirc$	
Reliability & Performance	High performance: 90%+ bandwidth reduction	$\bigcirc$	0	$\bigcirc$	
Security	Inherently secure: NorthCom, NAS		0		
* Solution Effectivenes ** Technology Complex *** Deployment, Training	ity	ort	High 🔶 Mea	d 🗌 Low	

 Lower development risk
Fast deployment
Improved system
Potential savings in the hundreds of millions \$\$\$



## Implications to Network Centric Warfare

- 1. Bandwidth reduction of 90%+ [\$\$\$ savings]
- 2. Real-time data [Information superiority]
- 3. High security [Dominant position]
- 4. Improved usability [Productivity increase]
- 5. Multi-platform deployment from single code base (web, desktop, wireless) [faster development, \$\$\$ savings]
- 6. Industry standards based [low risk, \$\$\$ savings]



## Vision Delivered Today

