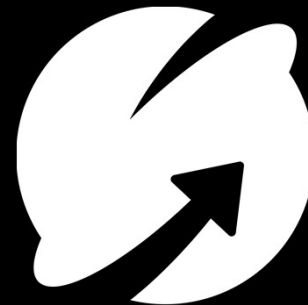


IBM IMS Connect Extensions for z/OS

Product Overview



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Mission statement:

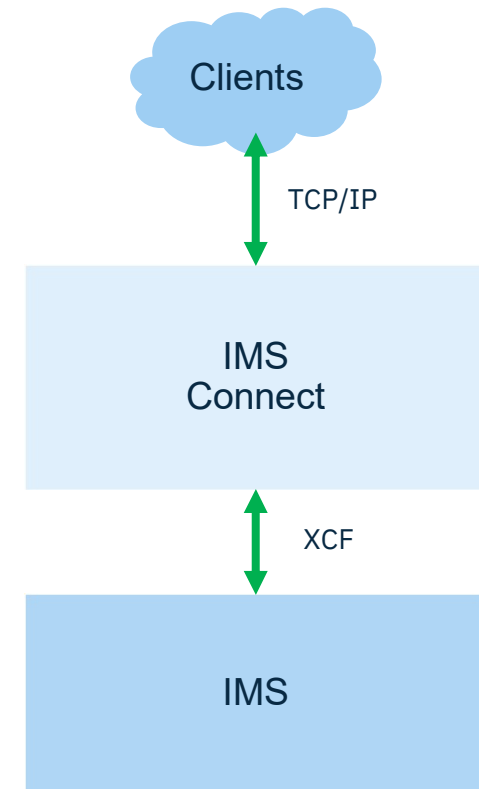
“For **IMS administrators** who need to maintain **availability, maintainability, flexibility, and costs** in the face of large, growing, or complex IMS Connect topologies and workloads, **IBM IMS Connect Extensions for z/OS** provides a **single point of control** for IMS Connect monitoring, OTMA and ODBM **workload balancing and shaping**, IMS **fallback routing** for flood conditions and maintenance scheduling, **access control and IP address rules**, and transaction **performance metrics** which cannot be obtained from IMS Connect alone.”

“For **IMS application developers** tasked with resolving **application issues**, IMS Connect Extensions provides **tracing** features better than the IMS Connect recorder trace and advanced analysis options via **off-host analytics platforms**.”

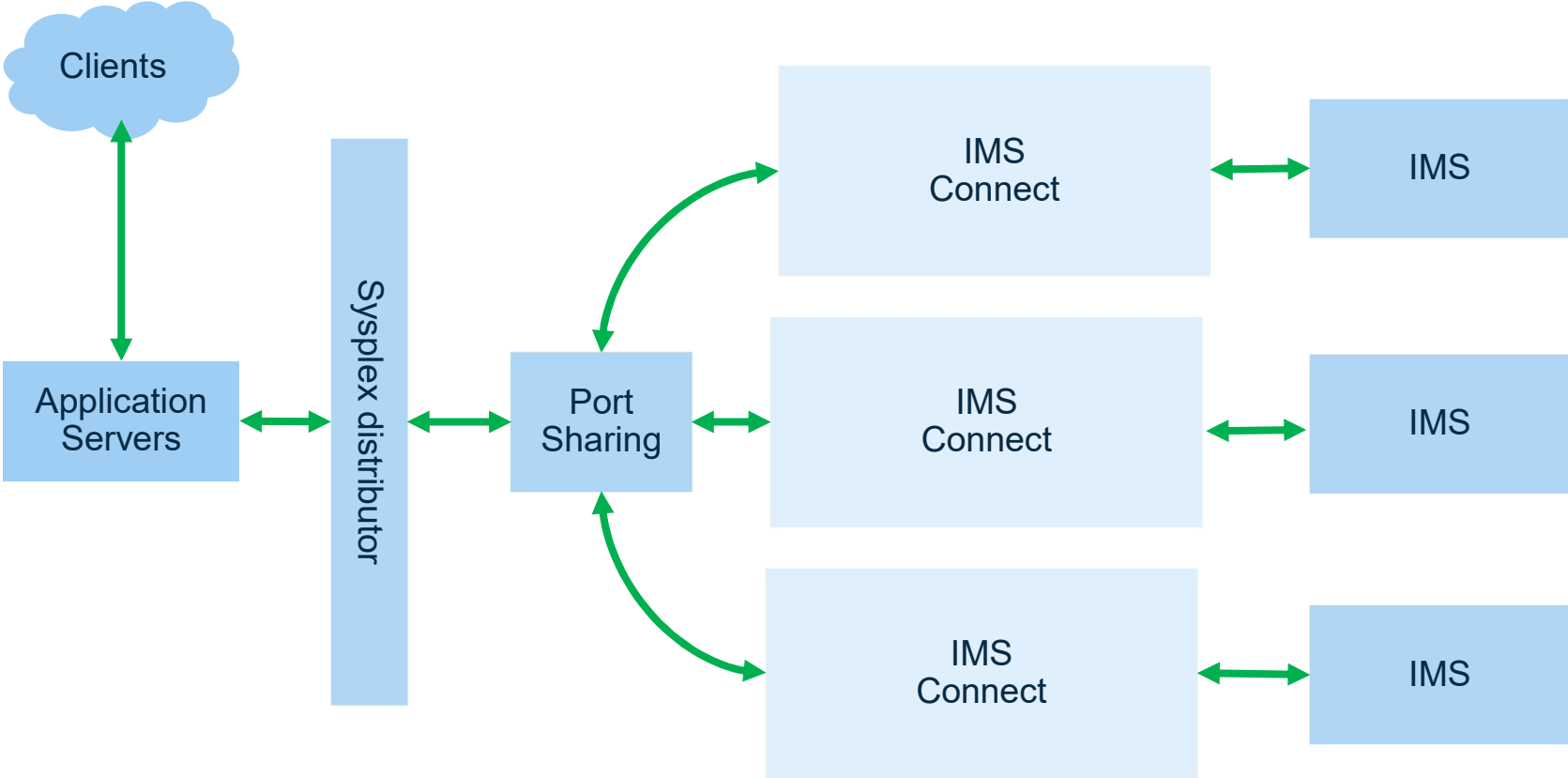
IMS Connect: A bridge between TCP/IP clients and IMS

High-performance TCP/IP communication between one or more IMS Connect clients and one or more IMS systems.

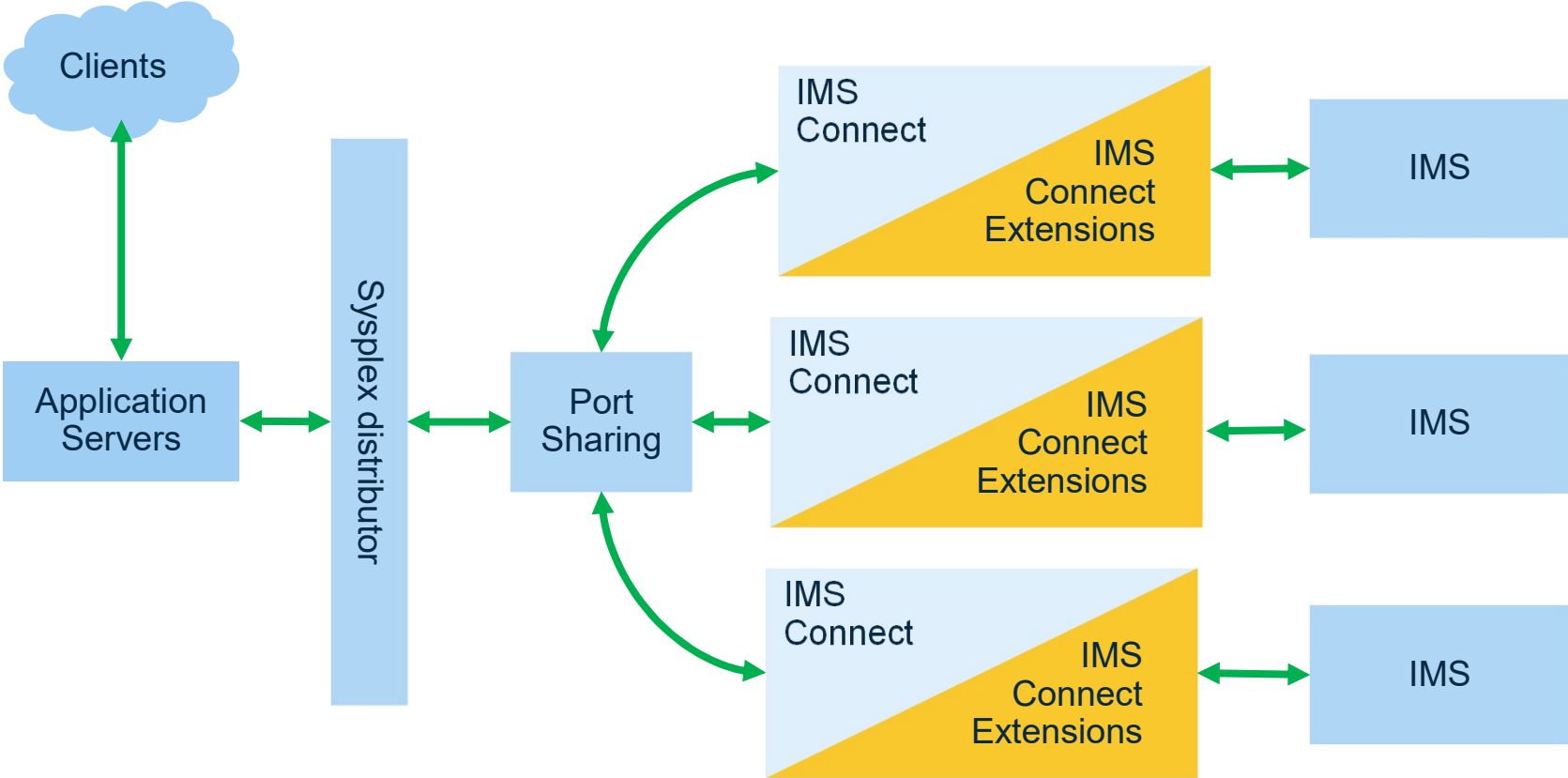
- IMS Connect provides access to:
 - IMS TM for transaction processing support through OTMA (XCF)
 - IMS DB through ODBM (Common Services Layer)
- Clients can include:
 - IMS TM Resource Adapter (TMRA):
 - z/OS Connect
 - Websphere
 - Other
 - IMS Universal Database resource adapter (Open Database/DRDA)
 - z/OS Connect
 - Websphere
 - Other
 - IMS Administration (IMS Explorer)
 - Intersystem Communication (ISC) and Multiple Systems Coupling (MSC)
 - SOAP gateway
 - Custom (roll your own)
 - Java / C API



Configuring for high availability/growing workloads/growing topologies



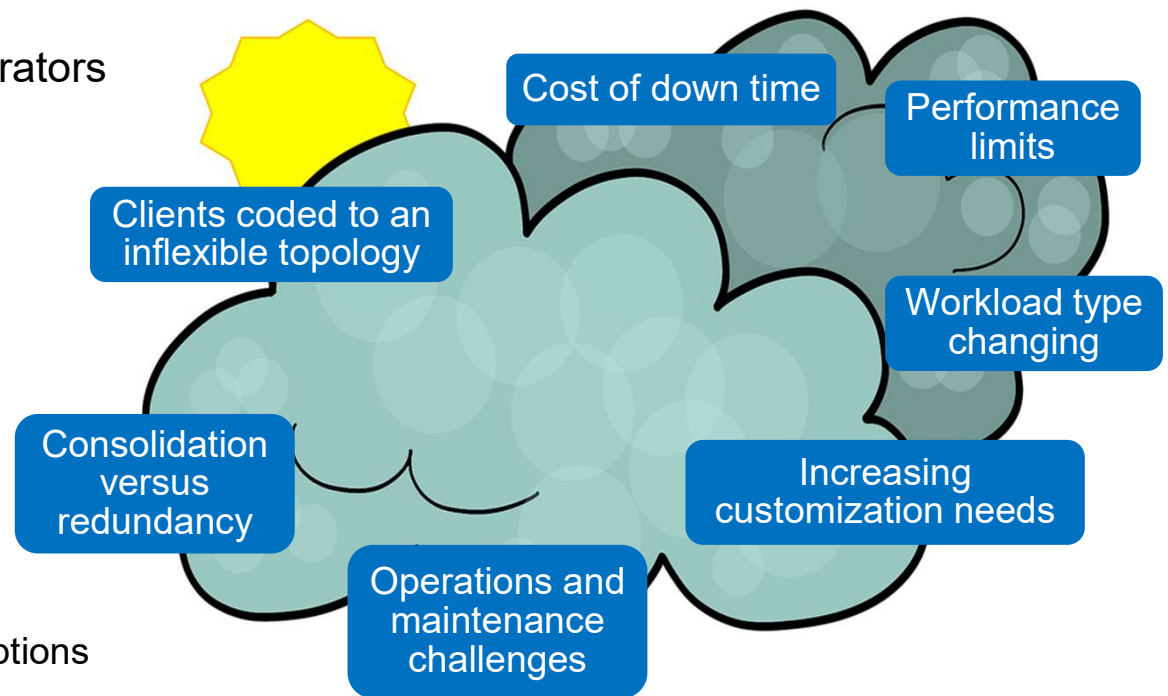
IMS Connect Extensions works in combination with IMS Connect



Challenges addressed by IMS Connect Extensions

As IMS Connect becomes more important and workload through IMS Connect continues to grow, systems administrators begin to seek...

- Higher IMS availability
- Greater/faster/easier scalability
- Systems that are workload-flexible
- Cost containment via:
 - Reduced bespoke customizations (e.g. via custom exits)
 - Greater implementation consistency across the enterprise
 - Easy reconfiguration and maintenance
 - Reduced troubleshooting effort/time
- Finer-grained access control/security options



Requirements must be met **while minimizing the disruption to existing client code and existing client instances**

IMS Connect Extensions feature summary

- **IMS Connect workload management**
 - Balance OTMA/ODBM workload across multiple IMS systems
 - Configure a primary/fallback IMS
 - Create custom routing rules/routing plans
 - Set up automatic session rebalancing
 - Security: access control + IP address rules
- **IMS Connect event collection**
 - Events, IRM and OTMA tracing (with IMS Problem Investigator or IBM Transaction Analysis Workbench)
 - Performance reporting, port usage, exception reporting, gap analysis, trace reporting, and OTMA routing behavior reporting (with IMS Performance Analyzer)
 - Event forwarding and analysis (with off-host data analytics platforms i.e. Splunk)
- **IMS Connect operations**
 - Single point of control (SPOC) for all your IMS Connect systems
 - ISPF dialog, Operations Console for z/OS Explorer, or develop your own workflows with REXX:
 - Status monitoring and usage statistics: IMS Connect, TCP/IP ports, DATASTORE connections to IMS, ODBMs, active sessions...
 - Operations: start/stop/drain a DATASTORE connection to IMS, stop an IMS Connect system, stop/drain an active session, start/stop IMS Connect Extensions trace, change routing plans, dynamically reshape workloads...

What are some of the things that IMS Connect Extensions adds to IMS Connect?

IMS Connect alone...	...with IMS Connect Extensions
<p>Routing to IMS determined by TCP/IP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client applications are locked to your IMS topology – they must know about your DATASTORE and ODACCESS statements. One TCP/IP request -> one DATASTORE or ODBM target. 	<p>Routing rules create a layer that decouples your client applications from your IMS topology. Use virtual IMS targets and let the routing rule perform the translation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use routing rules to create abstractions (virtual targets) that improve scalability and allow for system consolidation. One TCP/IP request -> any DATASTORE or ODBM target based on centrally controlled rules. Dynamically change rules to reshape workload distribution. Improve parallelism (multiple DATASTOREs) and add redundancy (fallback IMS).
<p>Status of each IMS Connect obtained from IMS Connect command output (e.g. VIEWHWS) in job logs. IMS Connect assets managed by commands on individual systems.</p>	<p>Centralized operations management and monitoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operations Console for z/OS Explorer and ISPF dialog (multi-system view of all IMS Connect assets and client sessions with context-driven management options) REXX (enabling IMS Connect automation) Event feed (to analytics platforms such as Splunk)
<p>Need to customize exit to get instrumentation (HWSTECL). IRM and OTMA trace information with IMS Connect Recorder Trace Facility.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write IMS Connect event records (with the option to conditionally include IRM and OTMA trace information) to the IMS Connect Extensions journal: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Browse the events in the journal with IMS Problem Investigator or IBM Transaction Analysis Workbench. Process and report with IMS Performance Analyzer (performance, exceptions, port usage, transaction summary...) Forward transaction summary to analytics platforms (e.g. Splunk) for performance analysis and monitoring
<p>Security: access control with ACEE caching. Additional features require exit customization.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Validation based on IMS Connect system name, client IP address, and target port. IP address rules to centrally manage the OTMA trusted user flag Set user ID from IP address rules and/or AT-TLS client certificates Audit of activity in journal (including network security credentials)

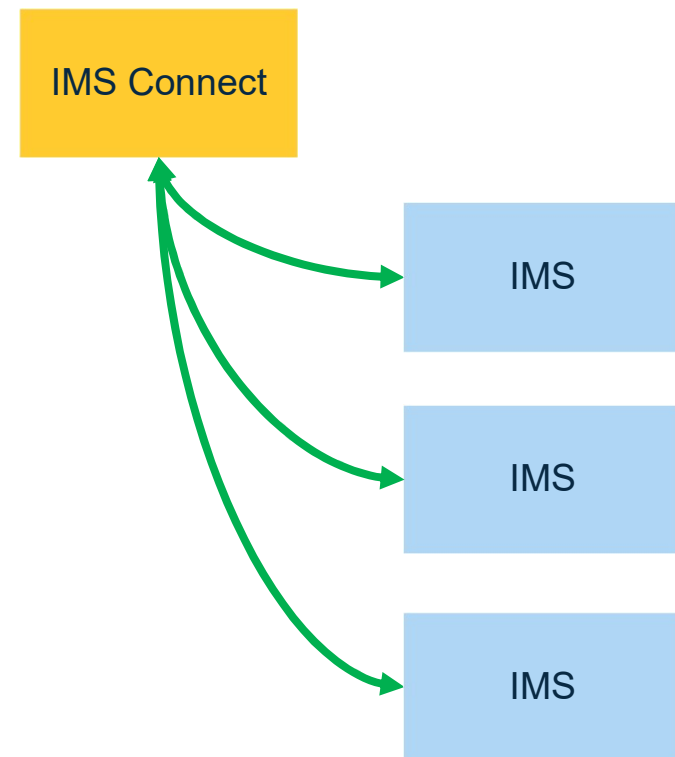
IMS Connect workload management

**Implementing and monitoring
OTMA and ODBM rules-based routing
with IMS Connect Extensions**

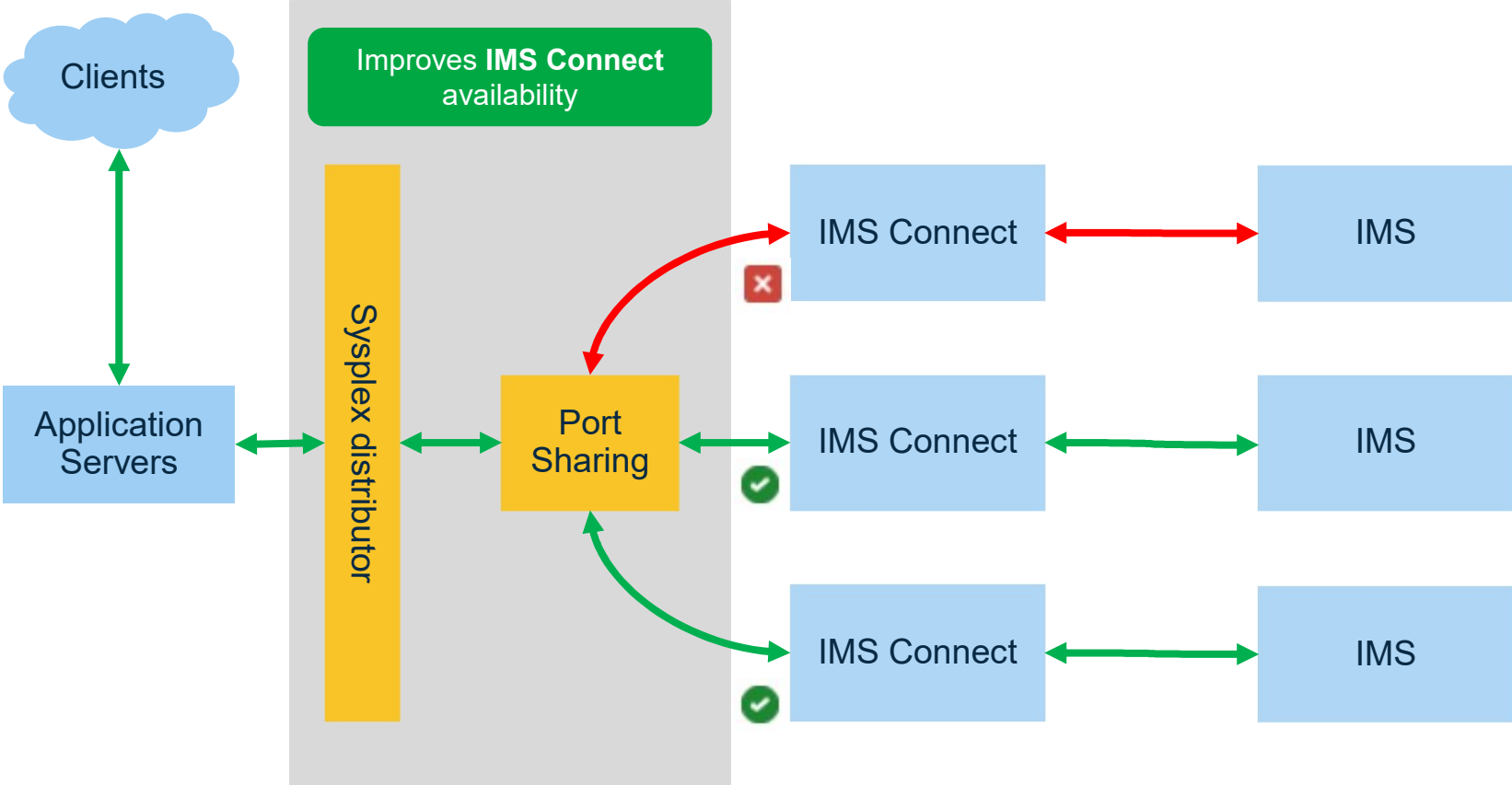
IMS Connect workload management

What's involved?

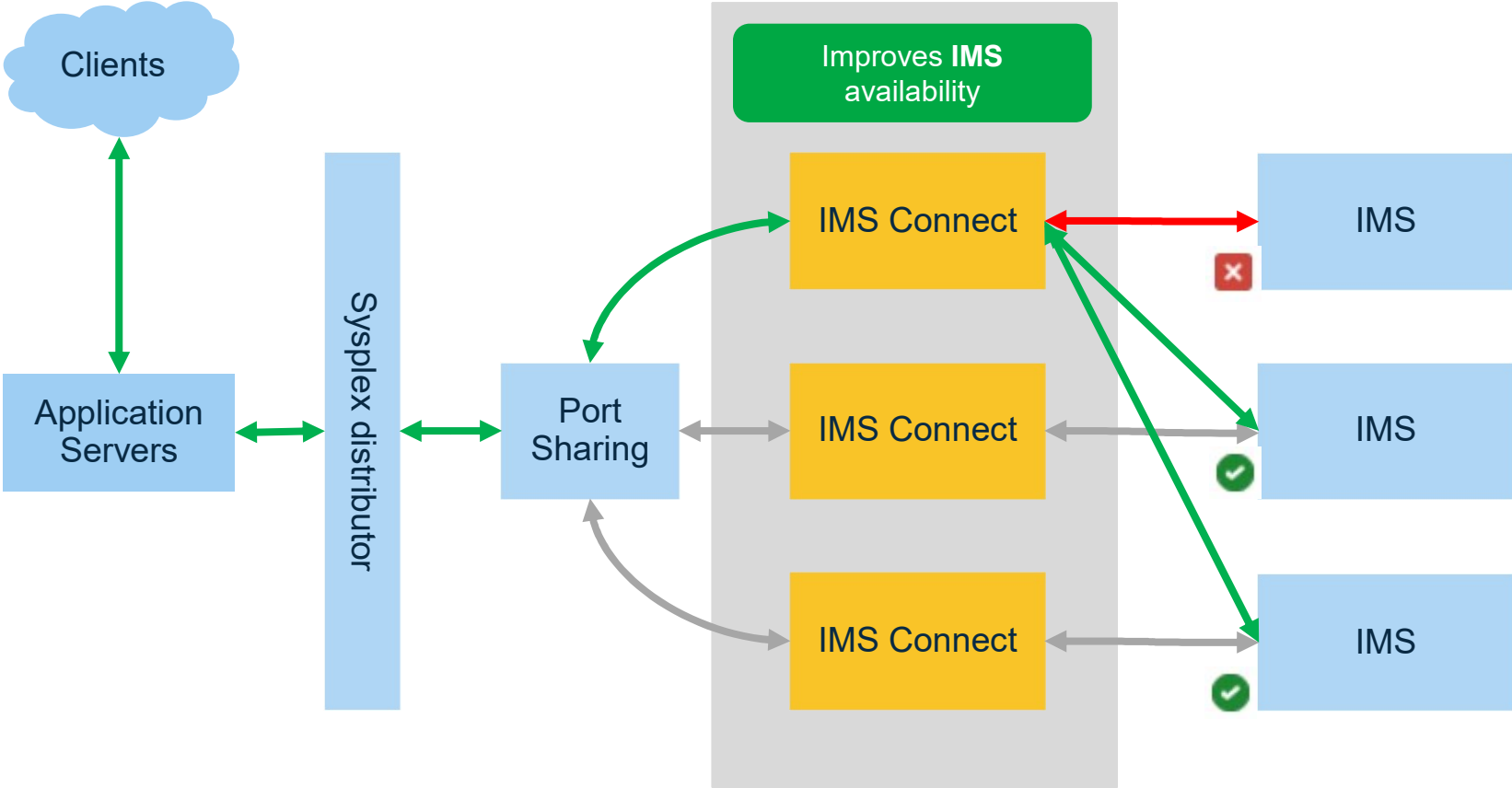
- **IMS** and **IMS Connect**
- Multiple **DATASTORE** and **ODBM-based connections** to IMS systems from IMS Connect
- **IMS Connect Extensions** routing rules to:
 - Balance workload across several IMS systems to avoid stress on a single system
 - Route workload to other IMS destinations when an IMS experiences a flood warning/flood condition or otherwise unavailable (scheduled maintenance or outage)
 - Dynamically reshape workload distribution
 - Decouple client applications from the underlying IMS topology
- Performance monitoring and making adjustments



Managing TCP/IP workload coming into IMS Connect

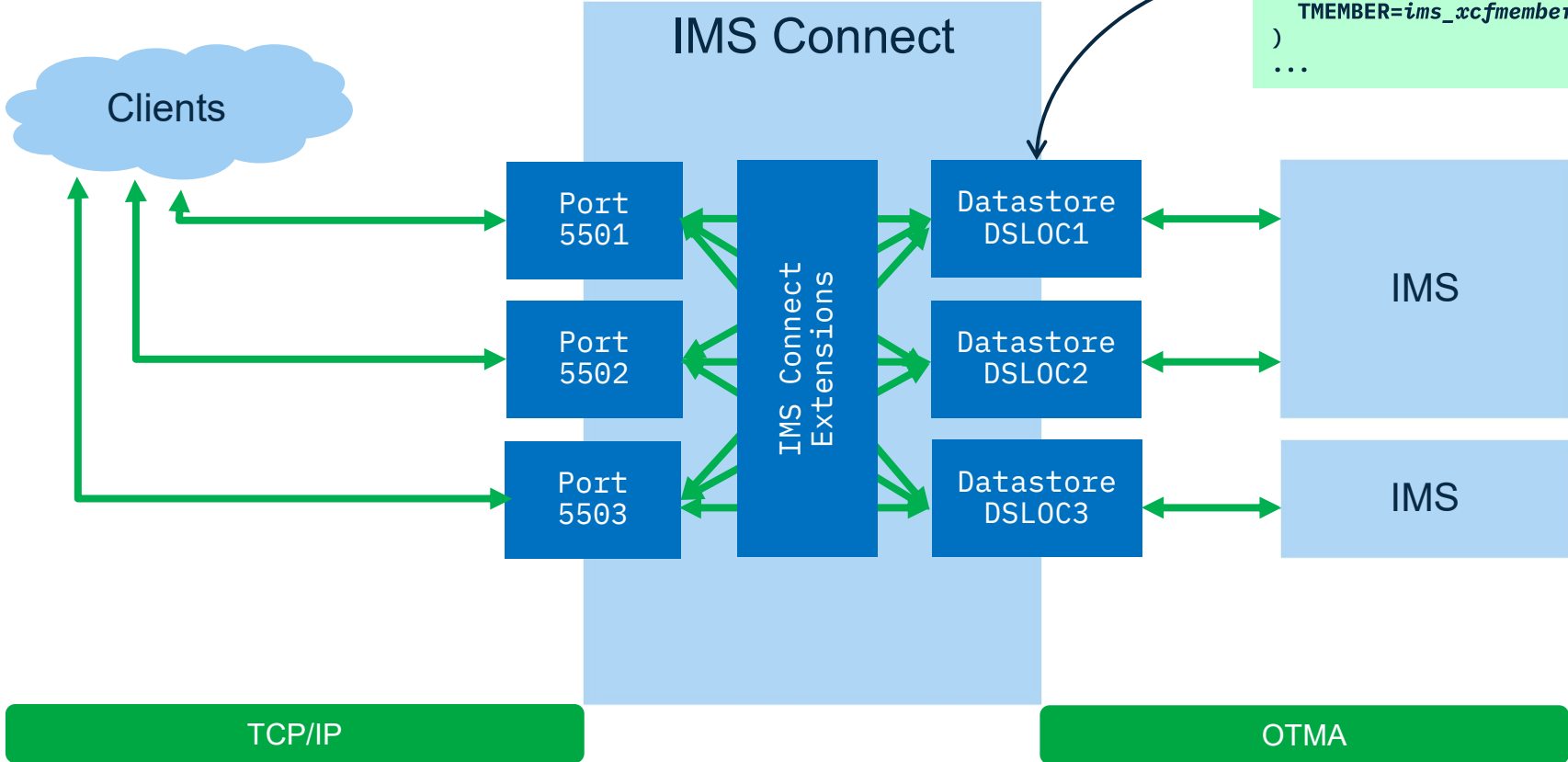


Managing OTMA workload coming in to IMS

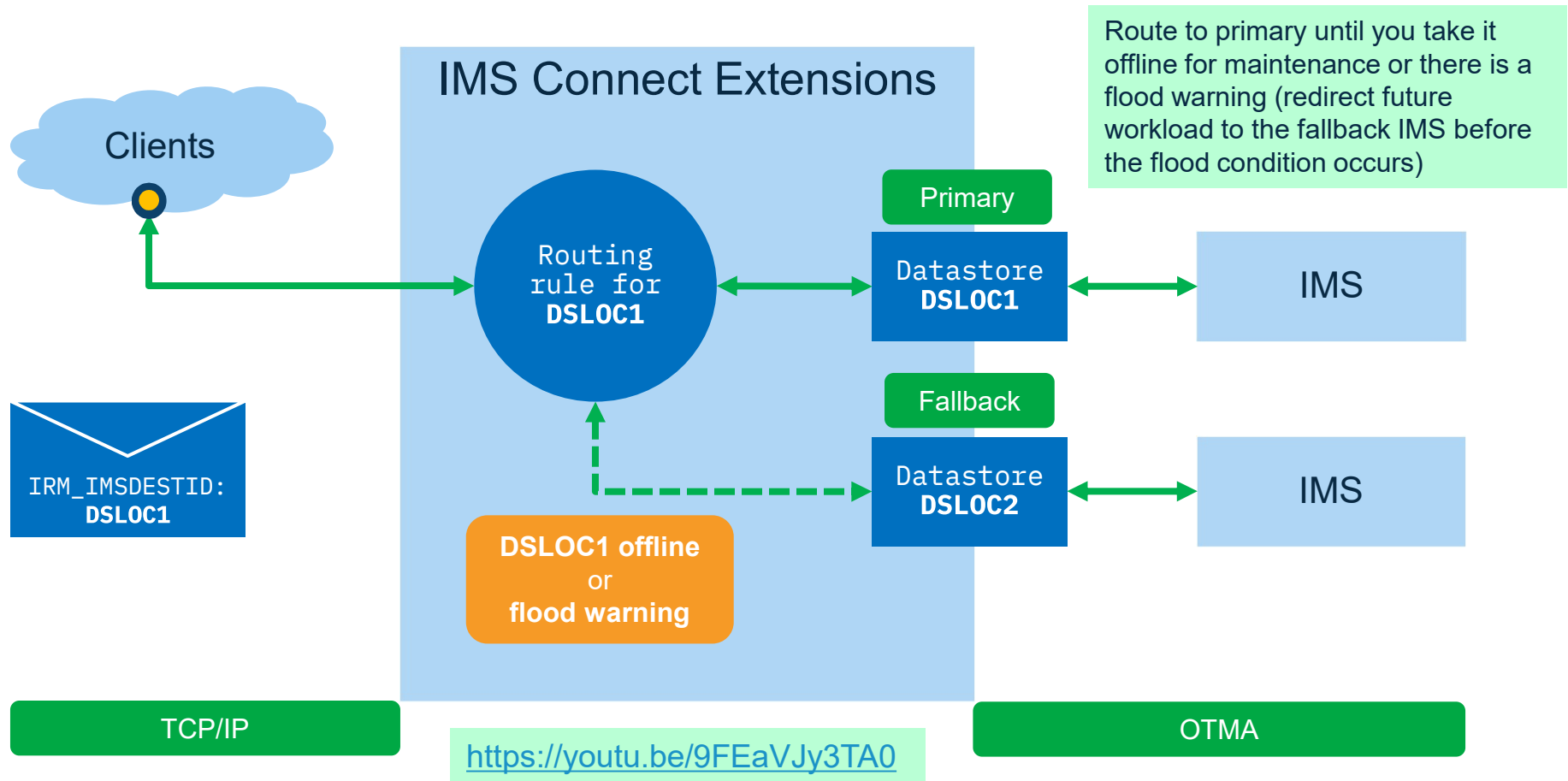


Distributing OTMA workload with IMS Connect Extensions

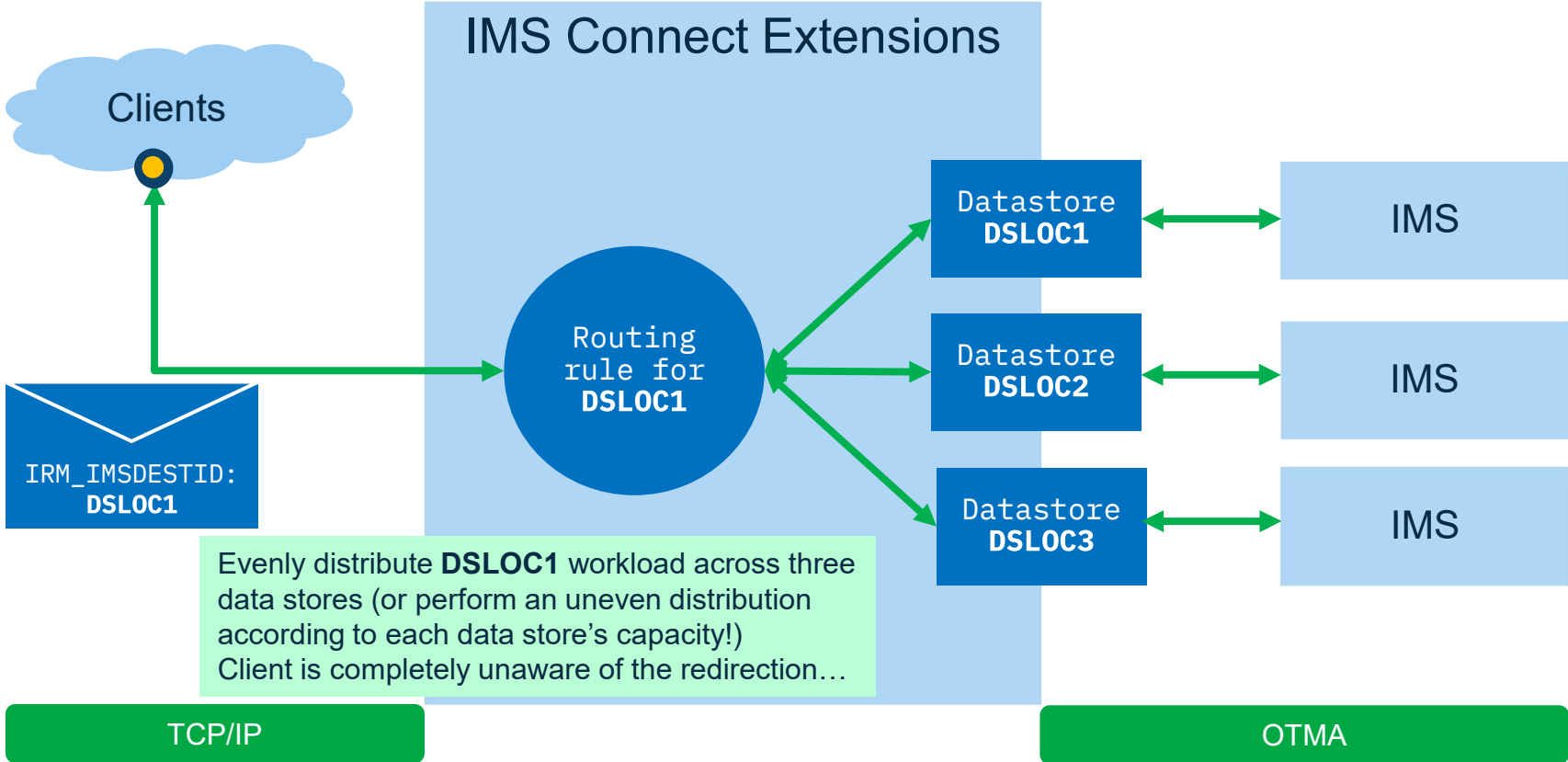
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HWSCFGxx
...
DATASTORE(
  GROUP=xcfgroupname,
  ID=data_storename,
  MEMBER=connect_xcfmembername,
  TMEMBER=ims_xcfmembername
)
...
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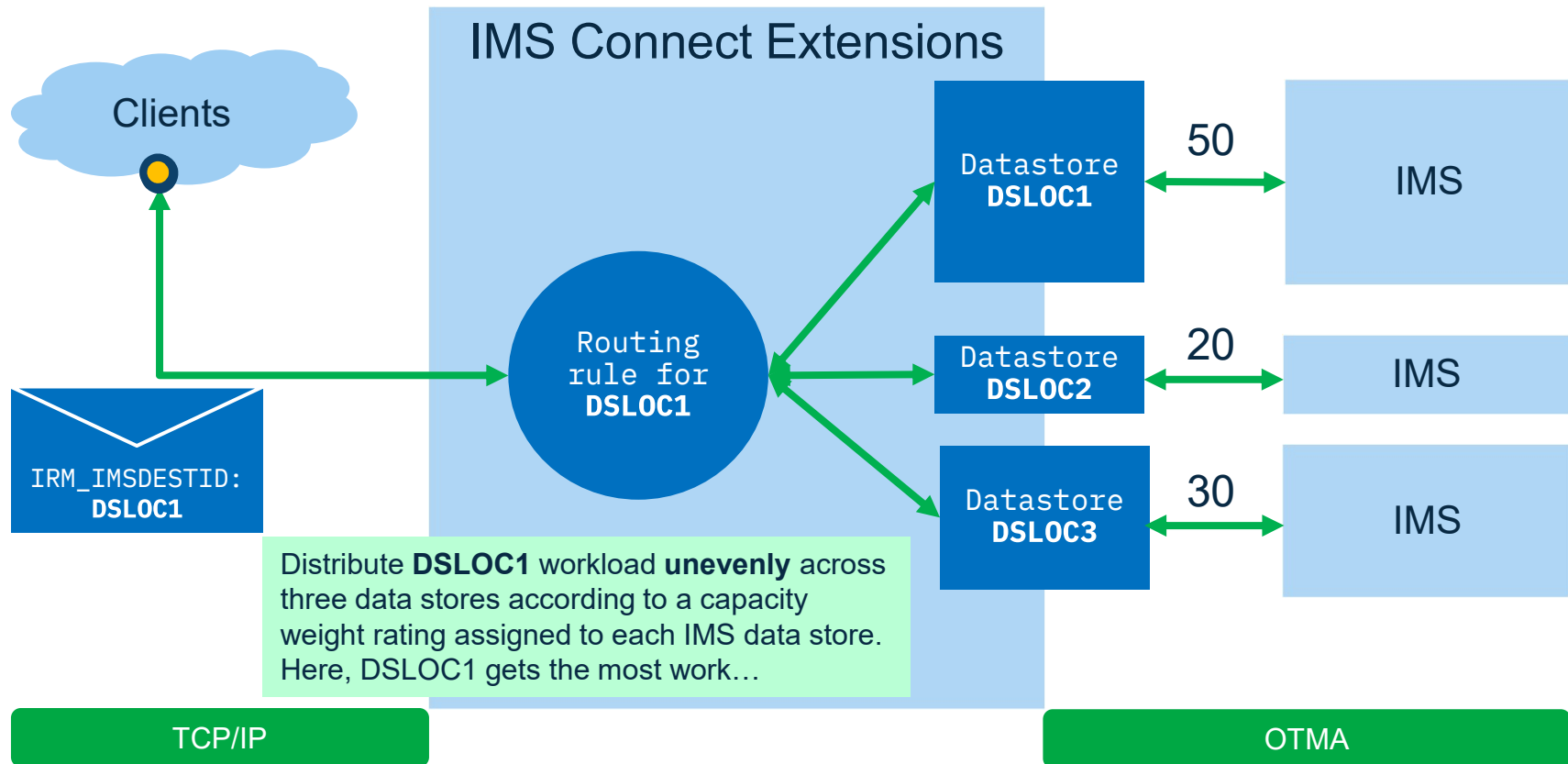
Routing techniques: primary and fallback



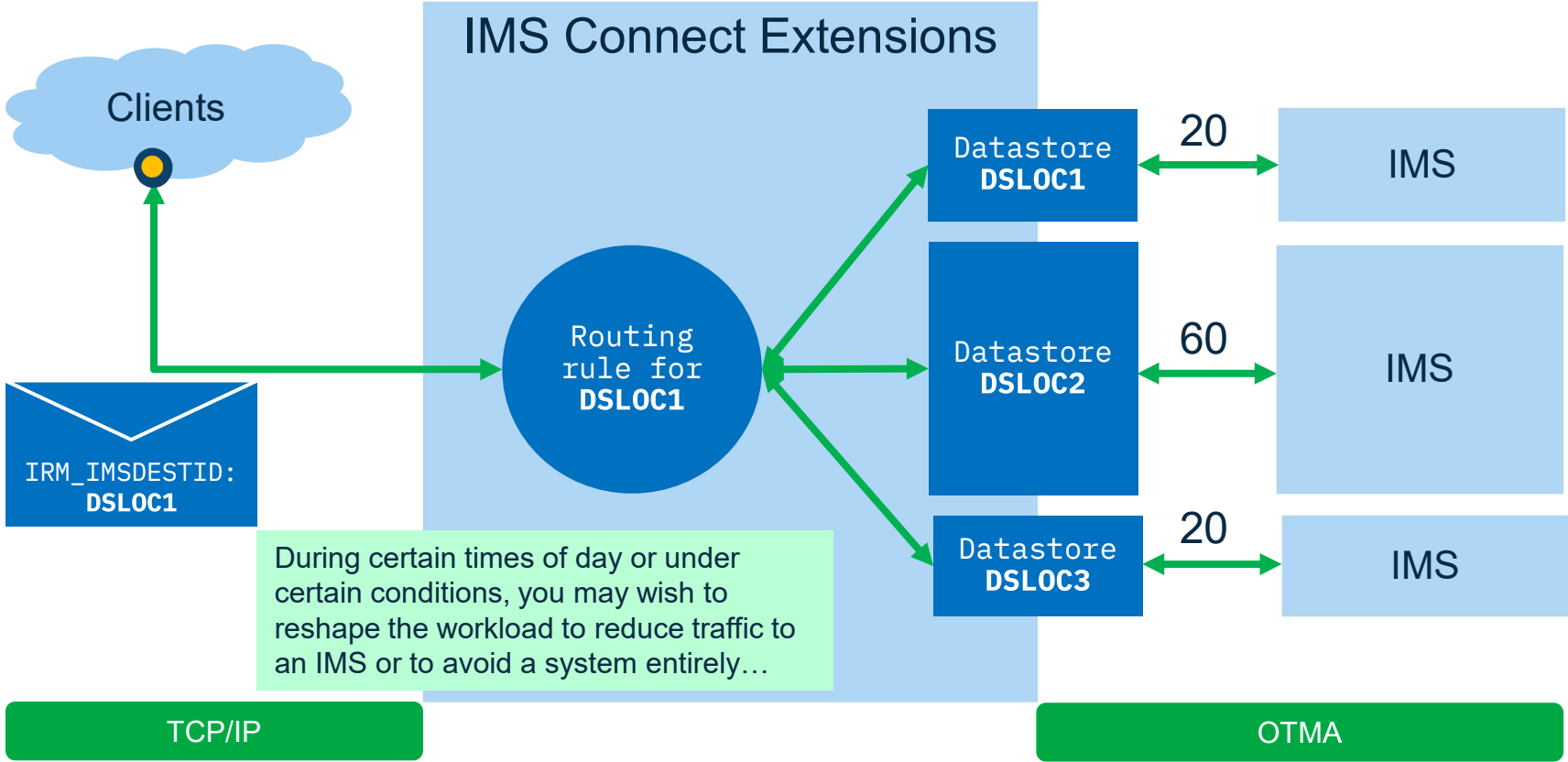
Routing techniques: workload balancing



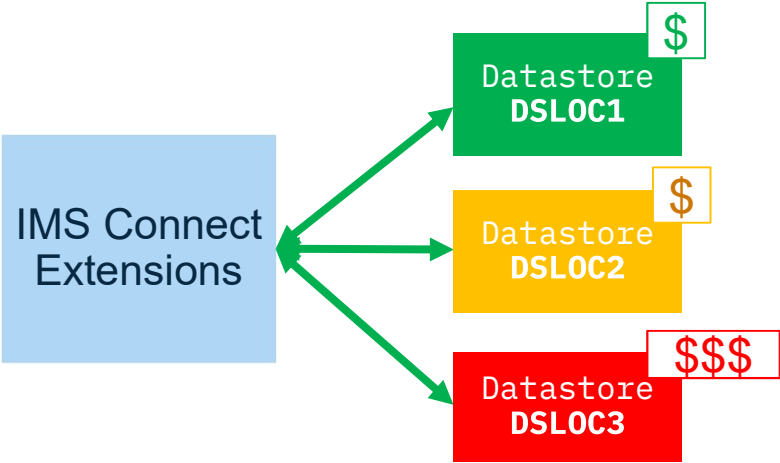
Routing techniques: workload w/capacity rating



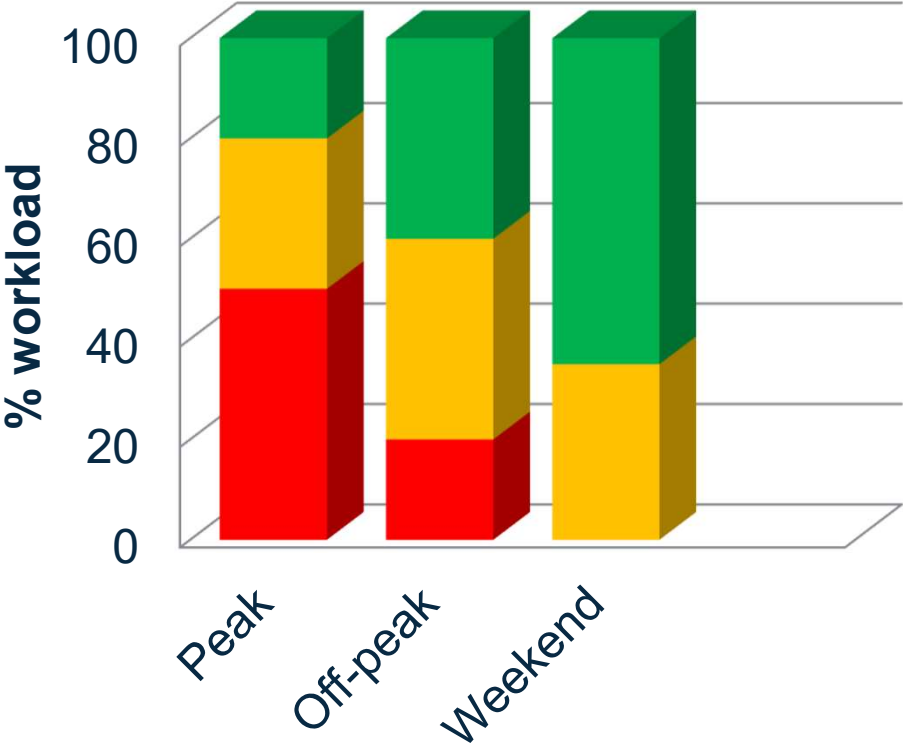
Routing techniques: dynamically change capacity



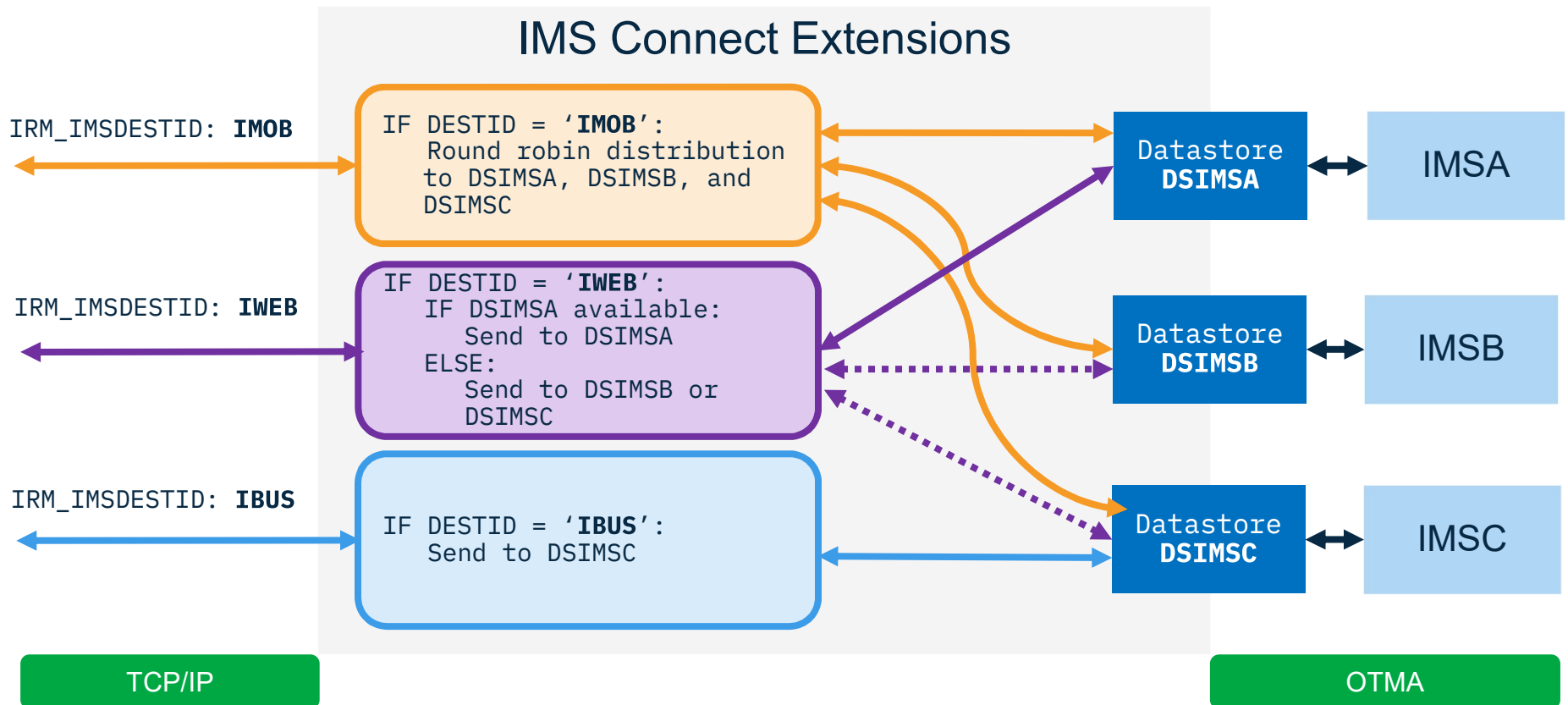
User Story: Dynamically change the workload balance by schedule/demand



Because capacity weight ratings allow you to favour certain DATASTORE connections over others, you can set up REXX-based automation to dynamically change the weightings according to the day of the week, time of day, or manually via z/OS Explorer/ISPF during maintenance, etc....



Routing techniques: a plan with multiple rules



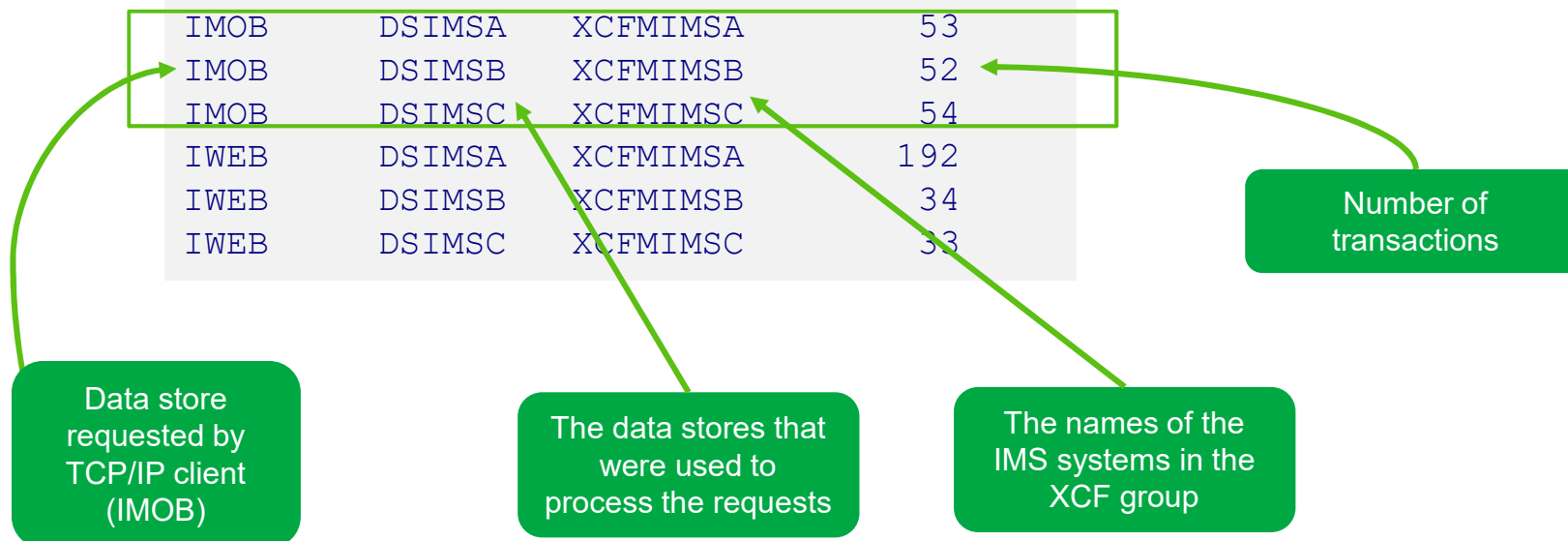
Routing techniques: monitor and review

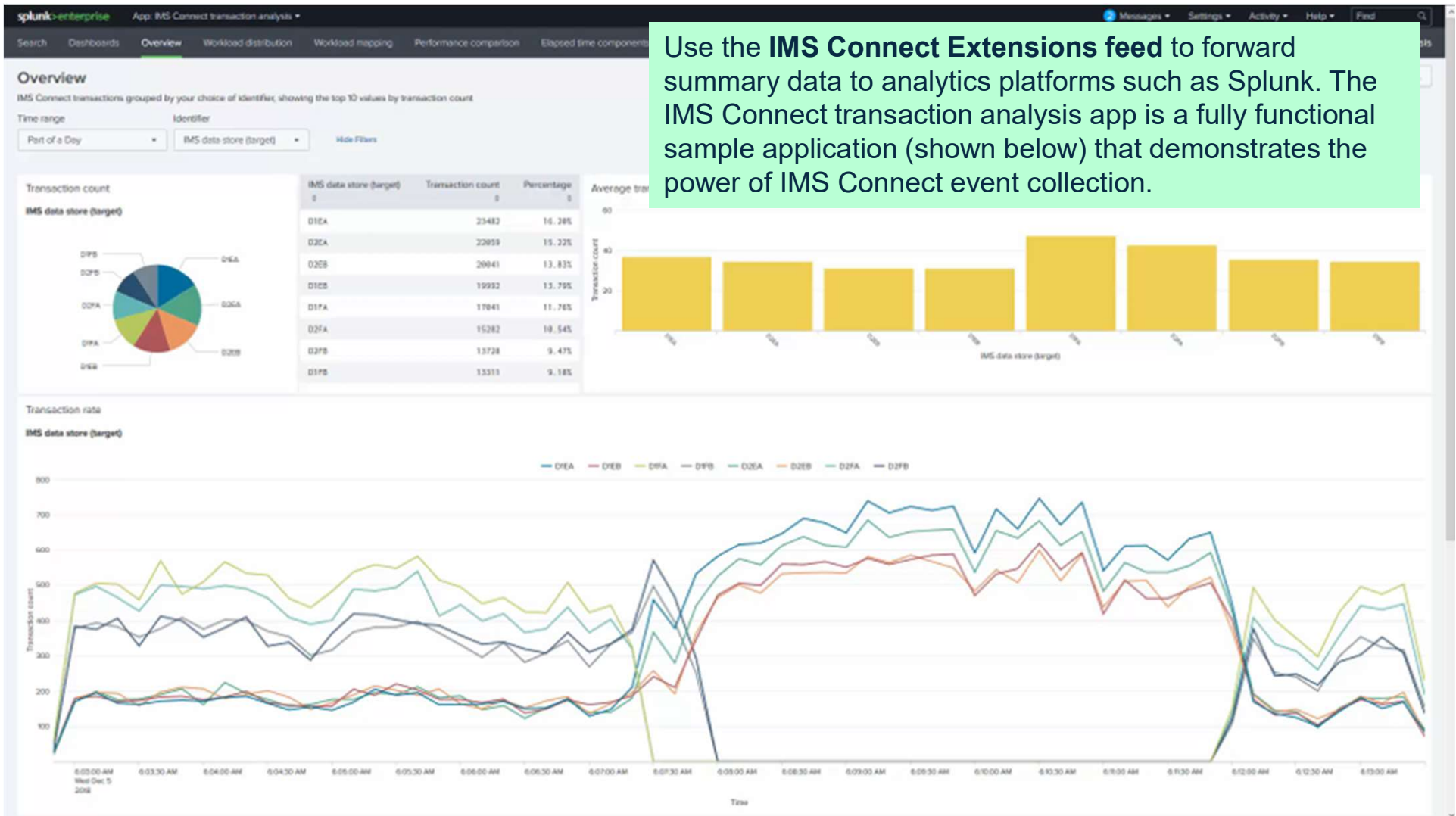
IMS Performance Analyzer ICON WORKLOAD DISTRIBUTION

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Original	Target	Dest	Tran
Datastor	Datastor	Tmember	Count
IBUS	DSIMSC	XCFMIMSC	212
IMOB	DSIMSA	XCFMIMSA	53
IMOB	DSIMSB	XCFMIMSB	52
IMOB	DSIMSC	XCFMIMSC	54
IWEB	DSIMSA	XCFMIMSA	192
IWEB	DSIMSB	XCFMIMSB	34
IWEB	DSIMSC	XCFMIMSC	33

The **IMS Connect Extensions journal** records routing decisions made by its rules based routing feature. Use the journal in combination with **IMS Performance Analyzer** to see how your workload is being distributed...



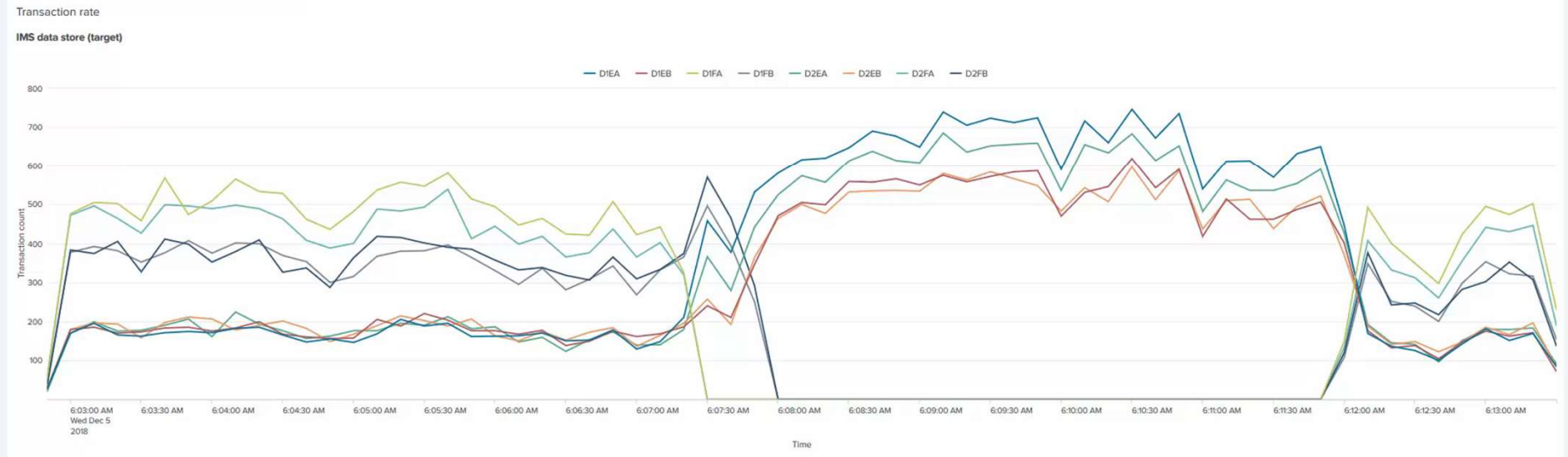
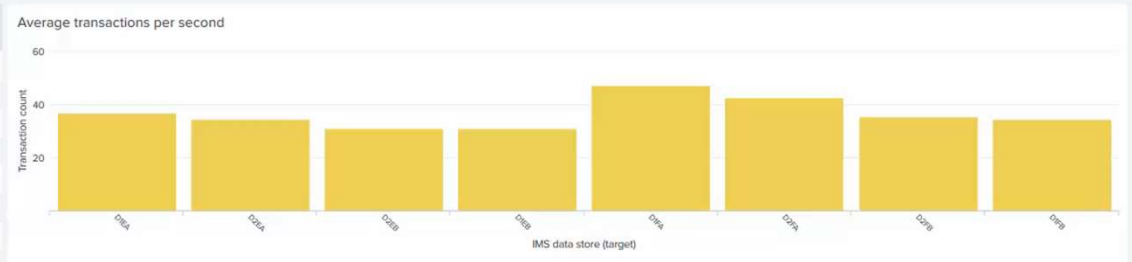


Use the **IMS Connect Extensions feed** to forward summary data to analytics platforms such as Splunk. The IMS Connect transaction analysis app is a fully functional sample application (shown below) that demonstrates the power of IMS Connect event collection.

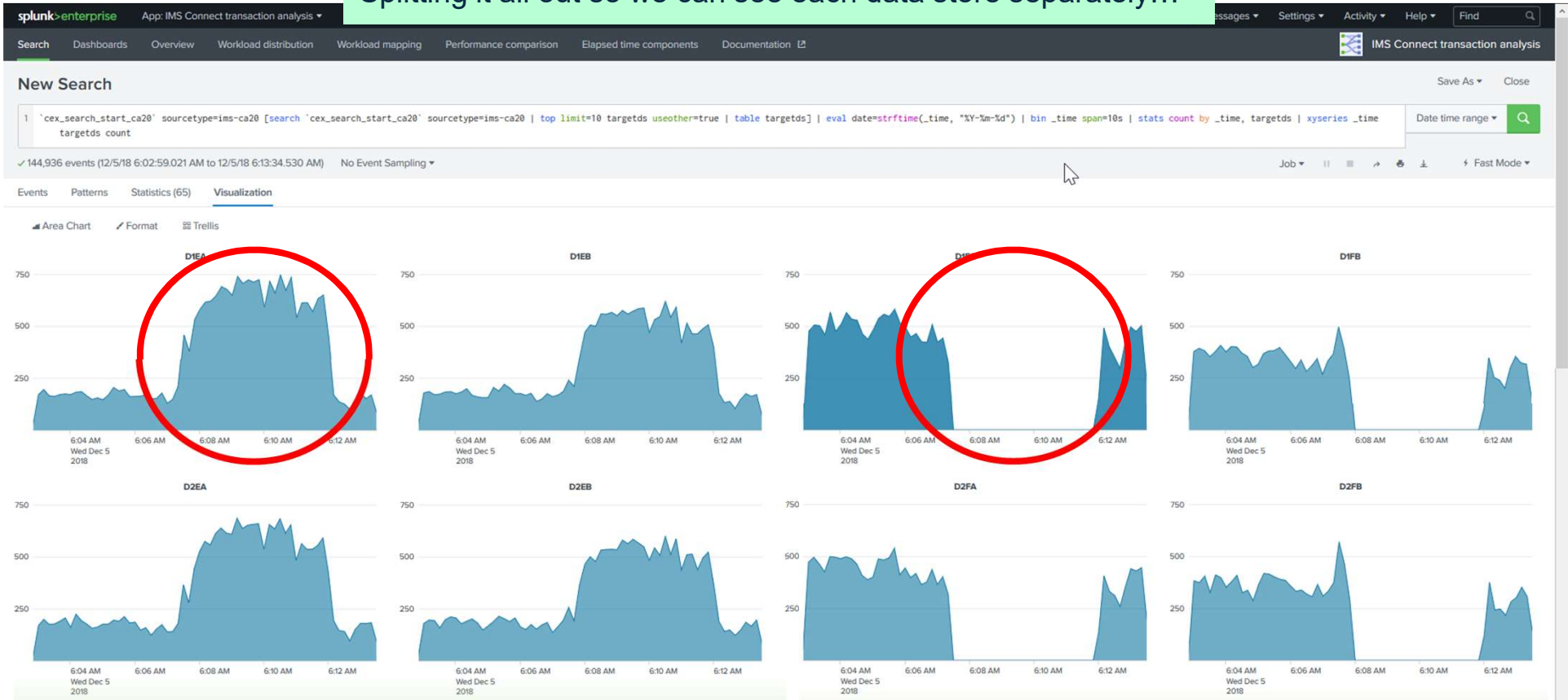
Overview

IMS Connect transactions grouped by your choice of identifier, showing the top 10 values by transaction count

Time range: Part of a Day Identifier: IMS data store (target) Hide Filters



Splitting it all out so we can see each data store separately...



These four data stores show periods of increased workload

These four were "at rest" during the same period

Workload distribution

IMS Connect transactions grouped by your choice of identifier

Time range

All time

Identifier

IMS data store (orig... X

IMS data store (original)

Select All X

Edit

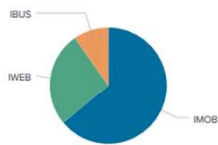
Export

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Incoming workload, by its very nature, is coming in at different rates
(Most requests for data store IMOB, then IWEB, then IBUS)

Top 10 by transaction count

IMS data store (original)



Transaction rate: top 10 by transaction count

IMS data store (original)



IMS data store (original)	Average elapsed time (seconds)
IMOB	0.037159
IWEB	0.072525
IBUS	0.129225

Routing rules carve up the workload in the quest for an even distribution across IMS systems

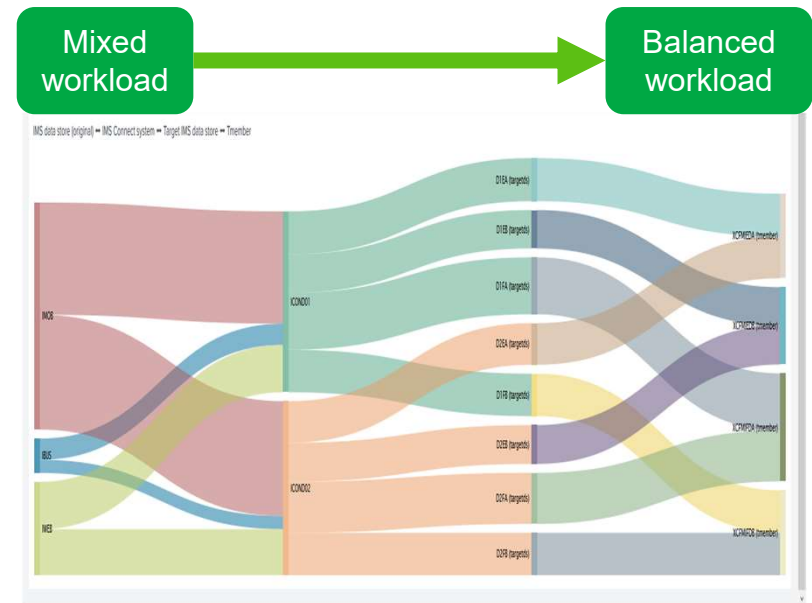
IMS data store (original) → IMS Connect system → Target IMS data store → Tmember



Why is this a good thing?

A balanced workload means:

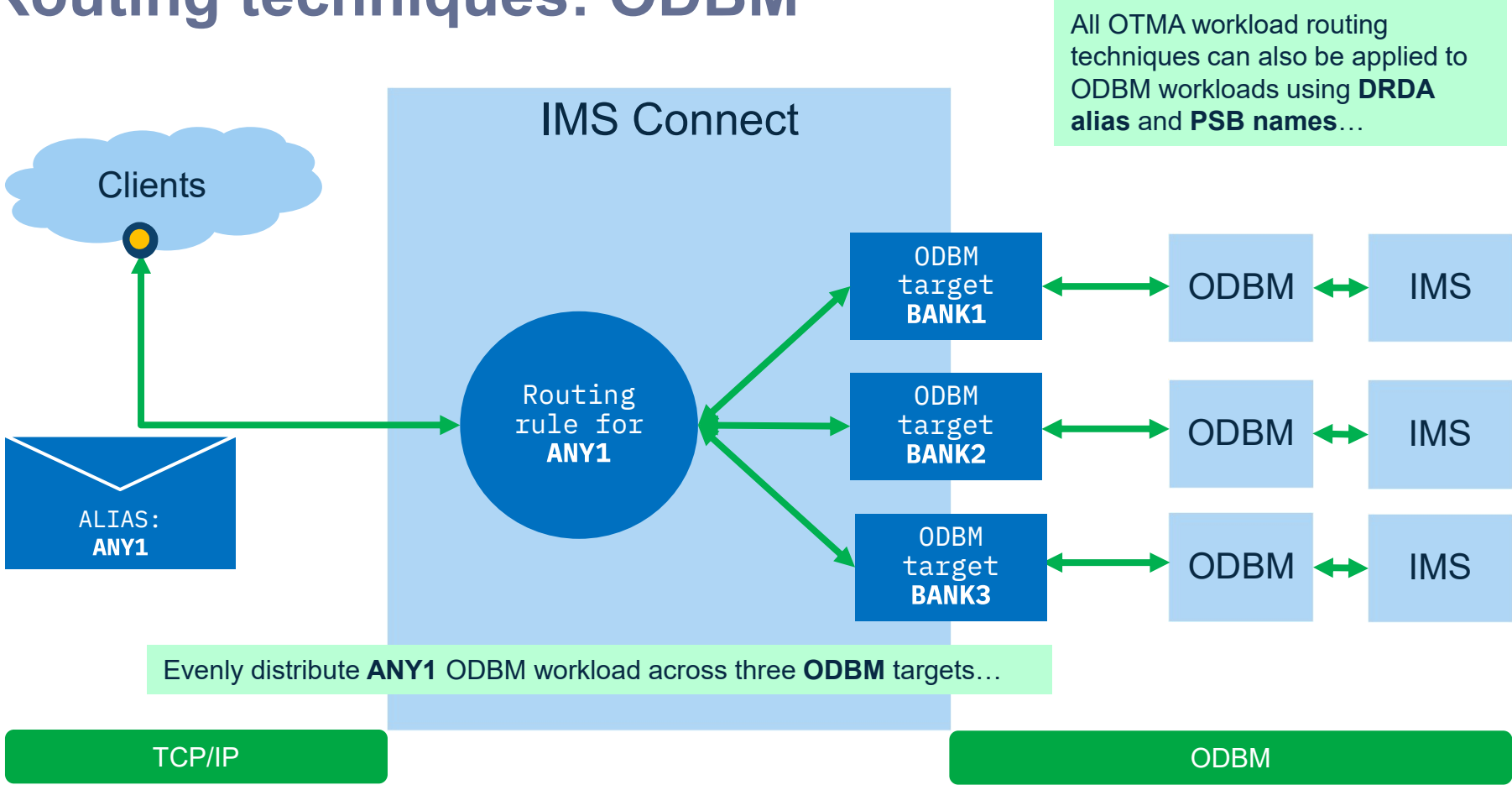
- Reduced chance of flooding a single IMS system (and causing an outage)
- Potential for better general performance via improved throughput and reduced chance of bottlenecks



Using fallback IMS systems and creating additional connections to those system (IMS data stores) help:

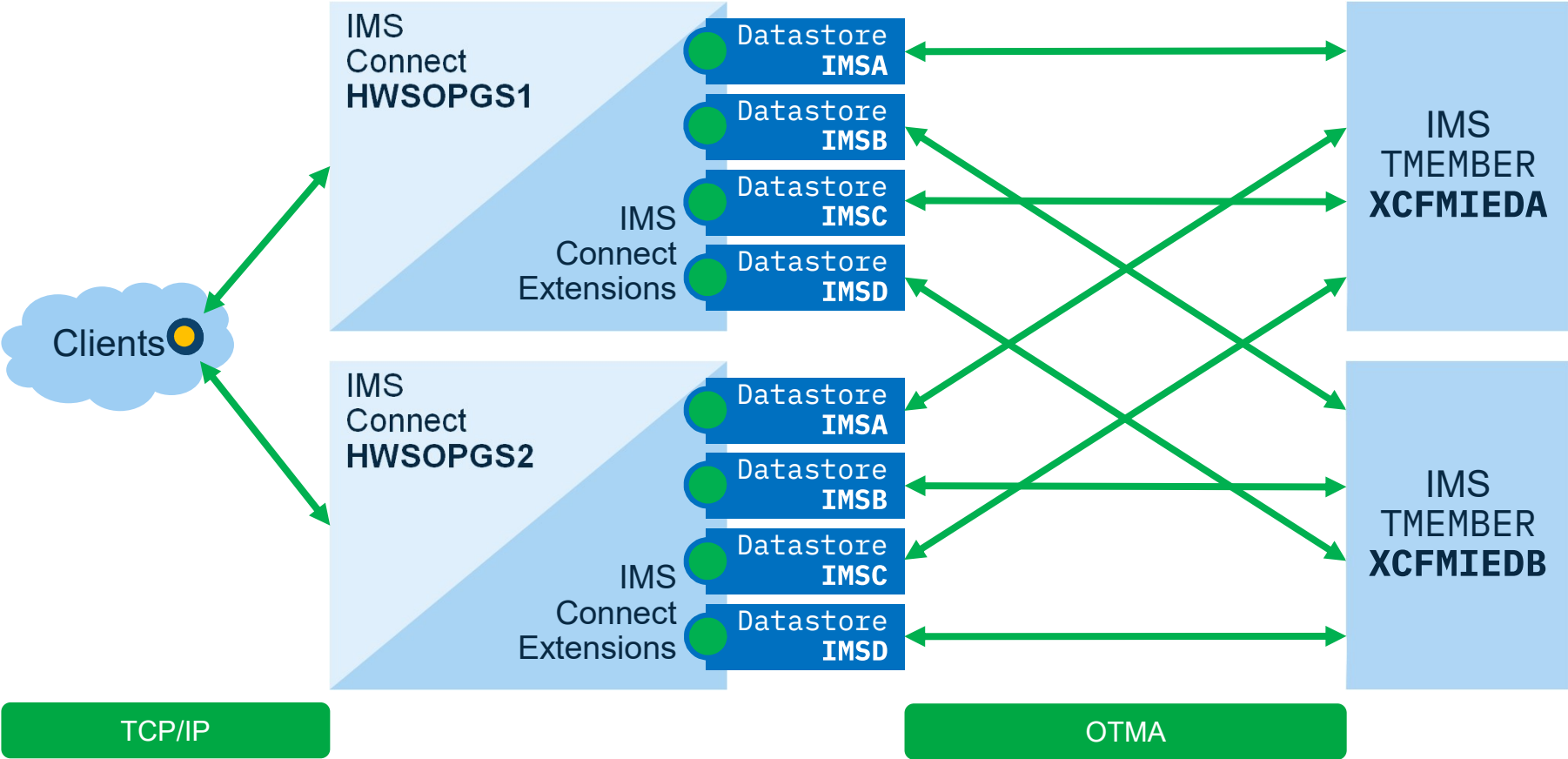
- Maintain overall IMS Connect availability during both planned and unplanned outages.
- Avoid flood conditions by quickly diverting workload when the first flood warning occurs.

Routing techniques: ODBM

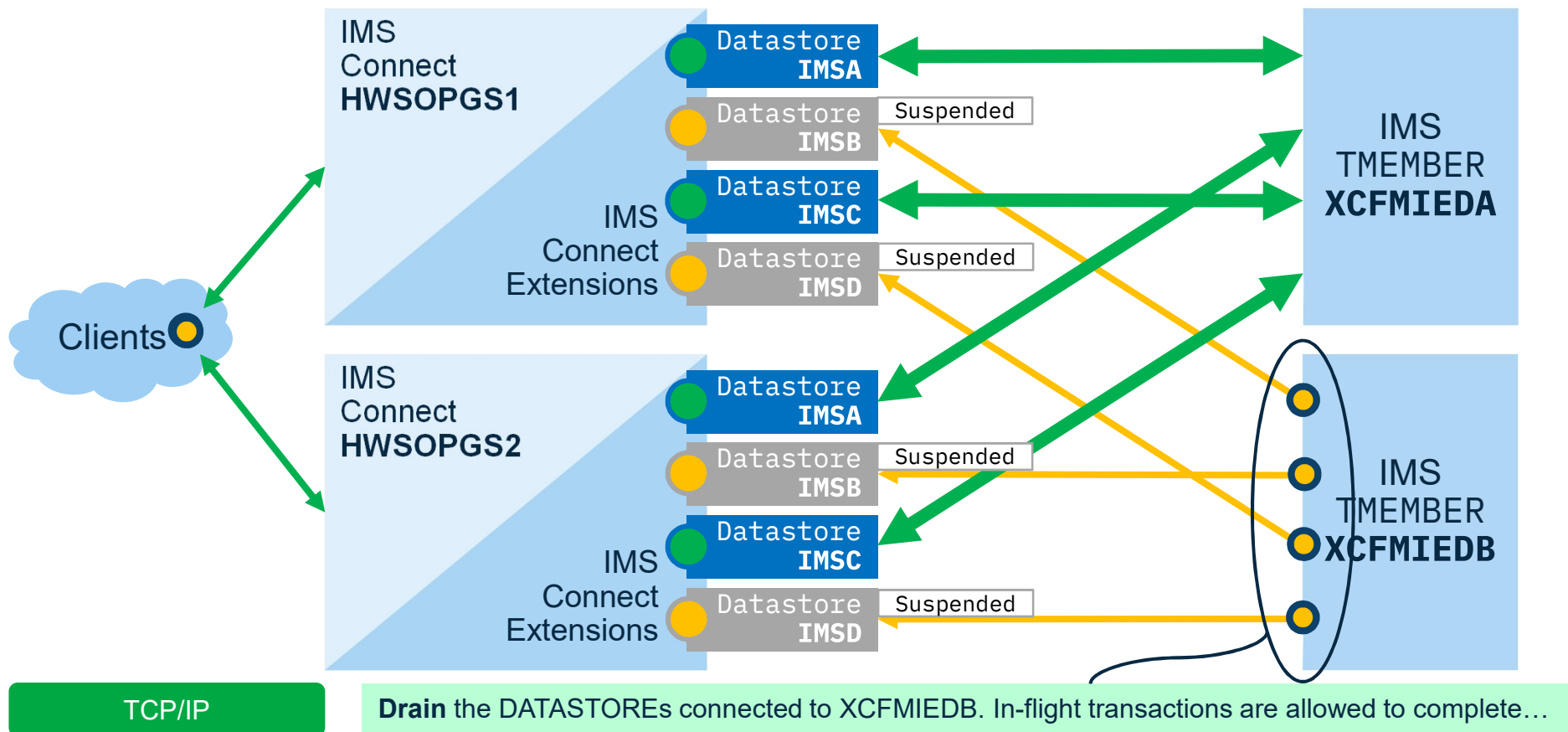


Draining DATASTORE connections to IMS
an IMS shutdown process that won't interrupt in-flight work

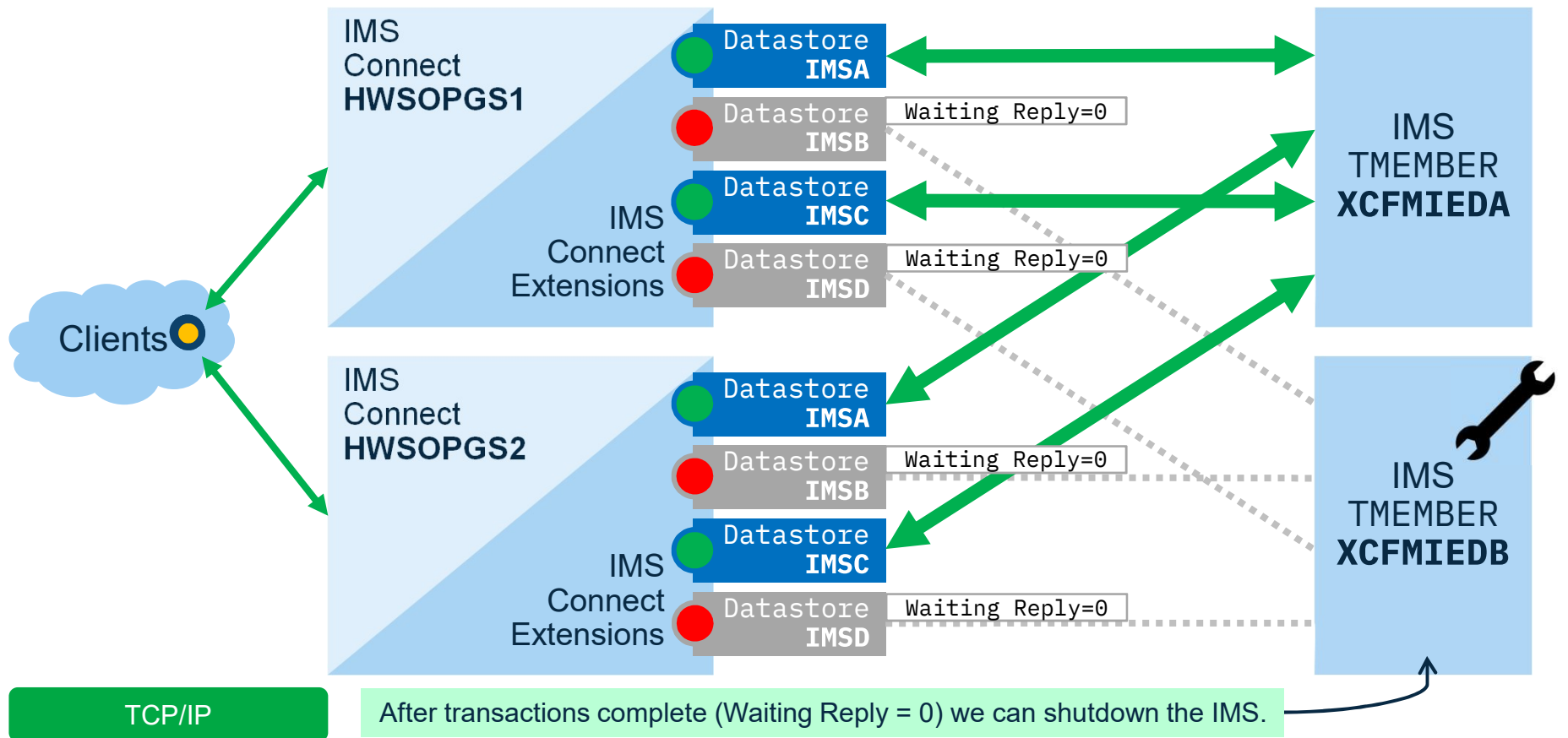
Question: How can we shutdown one IMS without interrupting in-flight work?



Answer: Suspend routing to all DATASTORE connections to the IMS and let the other IMS take over whilst it undergoes an upgrade...



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Draining DATASTORE connections to an IMS with the Operations Console for z/OS Explorer

Ports Interval: 20 seconds Other Interval: 20 seconds Show Confirmation? Auto Off

IMS Connects Ports Exits Datastores Datastore Groups ODBMs Aliases MSCs Remote Connects

Status	System	Name	Connect Status	IMS Status	Routing Status	Waiting Reply	Accepted Count	CWR	Member	TMember	XCF Group	Super Member	ACK Count	DEAL
●	HWSOPGS2	IMSA	Active	Normal	NormalWLB	0	0	80	DM2IMSA	XCFMIEDA	XCFGDEVT	MEM2	0	
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Route Drain
Route Drain with AUTORESUME
Route Resume
Stop
Update Capacity Weight...
Hide all-Zero Value Columns
Manage list layout
Reset List to Default Layout
Show all Columns
Summarize/Group...
Manage/Define List Filters
Find the Value After Current Position
Find the Value Before Current Position

Status Monitor Sessions

Console Progress Properties

Property

Misc.

Connect Status	Active
CWR	65
IMS Status	Normal
Member	DM2IMSB
Name	IMSB
Routing Status	NormalWLB
Status	ACTIVE

Select all the DATASTORE connections for the IMS you wish to isolate and then "drain" them (suspend routing). Once the "Waiting reply" count falls to zero on these datastores, the IMS can be taken offline without interrupting in-flight work.

IMS Connect Extensions

operations management

VIEWHWS vs IMS Connect Extensions

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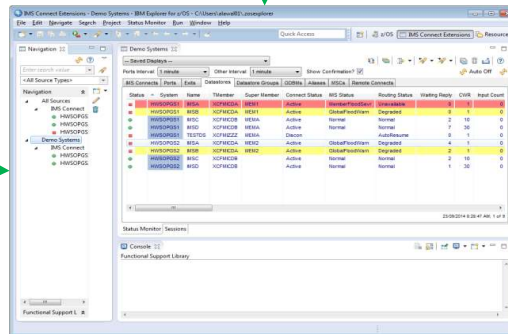
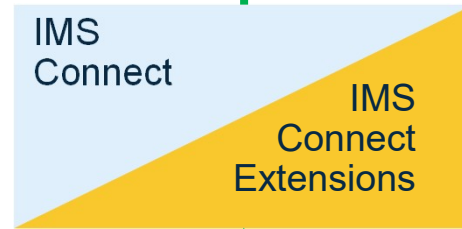
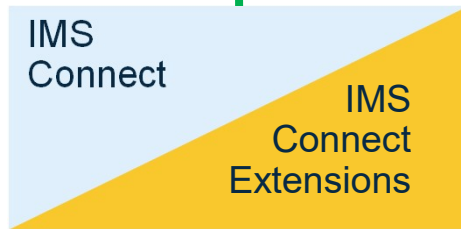
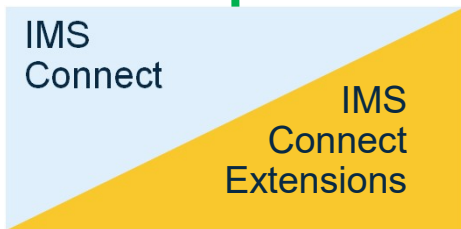
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Centralized operations management with IMS Connect Extensions

z/OS Explorer

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REXX

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/* REXX */
address LINK "CEXRENV INIT"
address CEX
"CONNECT HOST=SYS1,"||","PORT=13883,
HWSID=HWS1,
"SWITCH TYPE=JOURNAL"
address LINK "CEXRENV TERM"
    
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File Menu Help

Operations - Systems View Row 1 from 1

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View . . . 2 1. Groups 2. Systems

Filter . . Exclude inactive systems . . 1 1. Yes 2. No

	System	Status	Events	Coll. Level	- Journal - Active	Sockets Used	OTMA Used	Plan	ODBM Plan
—	IMSCON1	ACTIVE	ON	4 P01	37%	6%			
—	IMSCON2	ACTIVE	ON	4 P02	11%	22%			
AS	IMSCON3	ACTIVE	ON	4 P01	88%	87%			
—	IMSCON4	ACTIVE	ON	4 P03	37%	41%			

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ISPF dialog

Growing workloads and growing topologies mean more IMS Connect instances to monitor and control – an impossible task for VIEWHWS

The screenshot shows the 'IMS Connect Extensions Status Monitor' application. The main window displays a table with columns for Status, System, Name, TMember, Super Member, Connect Status, IMS Status, Routing Status, Waiting Reply, CWR, Input Count, and Ac. The table lists various IMS Connect systems and their associated data stores and members. A context menu is open over the first row, showing options like 'Route Drain', 'Route Drain with AUTORESUME', 'Route Resume', and 'Start'.

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Active	HWSOPGS1	IMSC	XCFMICDB	MEMA	Active	Normal	Normal	0	0	0	
Active	HWSOPGS1	IMSD	XCFMICDB	MEMA	Active	Normal	Normal	0	30	0	
Discon	HWSOPGS1	TESTDS	XCFMIZZZ	MEMA	Discon		AutoResume	0	1	0	
Active	HWSOPGS2	IMSA	XCFMICDA	MEM2	Active	GlobalFloodWarn	Degraded	0	1	7	
Active	HWSOPGS2	IMSB	XCFMICDA	MEM2	Active	GlobalFloodWarn	Degraded				
Active	HWSOPGS2	IMSC	XCFMICDB		Active	Normal	Normal				
Active	HWSOPGS2	IMSD	XCFMICDB		Active	Normal	Normal				

IMS Connect Extensions Status Monitor:

- Status of IMS Connects, TCP/IP ports, exits, DATASTORE connections (routing status) and IMS (flood warnings), ODBMs
- Topological information (IMS Connect system name, its DATASTORES and IMS TMEMBERS)
- Statistics (Socket usage, Waiting Reply, Input Count, Accept Count...)
- Right-click to perform actions (start, stop, drain, set capacity...)
- Sort, search, filter, and highlight
- Summarise, save, and export to CSV file

The screenshot displays the IBM Explorer for z/OS interface. The main window shows a list of active sessions for IMS Connect Extensions. A specific session is highlighted, and its properties are shown in a separate window on the right.

IMS Connect Extensions Active Sessions:

- List of active sessions
- Useful to identify problem sessions
- Right-click for action (Cancel a session, see full information in Properties window (shown))
- Sort, search, filter, and highlight
- Summarise, save, and export to CSV

Properties Window:

Property	Value
Client	
Client Family	IPv4
Client IP	172.17.69.32
Client Port	4484
Event record trace	
Trace Back Events	41 Message sent to OTMA3E Message E...
IMS Connect	
Client Id	DUDCLI01
Event Key	CDCC1FE58BA38404
Exit Defined	Yes
IRM Timer	81
Last Trace Time	2014-09-23 09.44.34.557877
Port	4101
Session Type	OTMA
Socket	6
Start Time	2014-09-23 09.44.34.554424
Trigger Type	
User Id	CEX001
Wait Time	0-00.00.38.415112
Misc	
AltTxnCode	
AltTxnLength	
AltTxnOffset	
AltTxnUsed	No
Commit Mode	0
In Ims Conversation	No
Predicted Session Status	P002 - Waiting for reply from datastore...
Res. TPIPE	Active
Socket Type	Transaction
Synch Level	Confirm

Keeping an eye on socket use (IMS Connect Extensions ISPF dialog)...

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File  Menu  Help
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Command ==> Operations - Systems View Row 1 from 1
Scroll ==> PAGE
View . . . 2 1. Groups 2. Systems
Filter . . Exclude inactive systems . . 1 1. Yes 2. No

/ System      Status  Events  Coll. - Journal - Sockets OTMA      ODBM
--- IMSCON1    ACTIVE  ON      4 P01    37%    6%      Plan
--- IMSCON2    ACTIVE  ON      4 P02    11%    22%     Plan
AS  IMSCON3    ACTIVE  ON      4 P01    88%    87%
--- IMSCON4    ACTIVE  ON      4 P03    37%    41%
***** Bottom of data *****
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View active sessions (and optionally drain/stop them)

IMS Connect IMSCON3 at
87% of MAXSOC

Operations management from the ISPF dialog

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Command ==>                               Operations - Systems View                               Row 1 from 6
                                                                                               Scroll ==> PAGE

View . . . 2  1. Groups  2. Systems

Filter . . .          Exclude inactive systems . . 2  1. Yes  2. No

/  System  Status  Events  Coll.  - Journal -  Sockets  OTMA  ODBM
   HWSDVP4  INACT  OFF     Level  Active Used  Used     Plan   Plan
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Line Actions

Select by number or action code then press Enter.
— 1. Display status monitor... (SM)
   2. Display active sessions... (AS)
   3. View Datastore Monitor... (DS)
   4. Issue IMS Connect Extensions commands... (CX)
   5. View message log... (L)
   6. Issue IMS Connect/IMS Type-1 commands... (SH)
   7. Manage Publisher clients... (PU)
   8. Set tracing by resource... (TR)
   9. Start recorder trace (RS)
  10. Stop recorder trace (RP)
  11. Switch Journal (J)
  12. Stop system (P)
  13. Stop system (with Force) (F)
  14. Exclude system (X)
  15. Display ACEE Cache Statistics (AC)

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IMS Connect systems

Control of IMS Connect systems through line actions.

IMS Connect Extensions REXX automation samples

- Drain (suspend) routing to DATASTORE connections
 - Suspend routing to a list of DATASTOREs (connections to IMS) and then automatically issue IMS shutdown
- Workload balancing
 - Adjust DATASTORE capacity in fixed increments up or down (dynamic workload shaping in response to changing conditions)
- Activating OTMA and ODBM routing plans (rule sets)
- IMS Connect status queries
 - Status Monitor statistics
 - Active Sessions statistics
 - Socket utilization metrics
 - Journal utilization metrics
- IMS Connect Extensions trace
- IMS Connect Extensions journal switching
- And more...

Implemented as a REXX environment:

- Interoperable with other REXX environments (e.g. MVS console, SDSF, TSO, IMS type-2, etc.)
- Allows you to extend your existing automation into IMS Connect

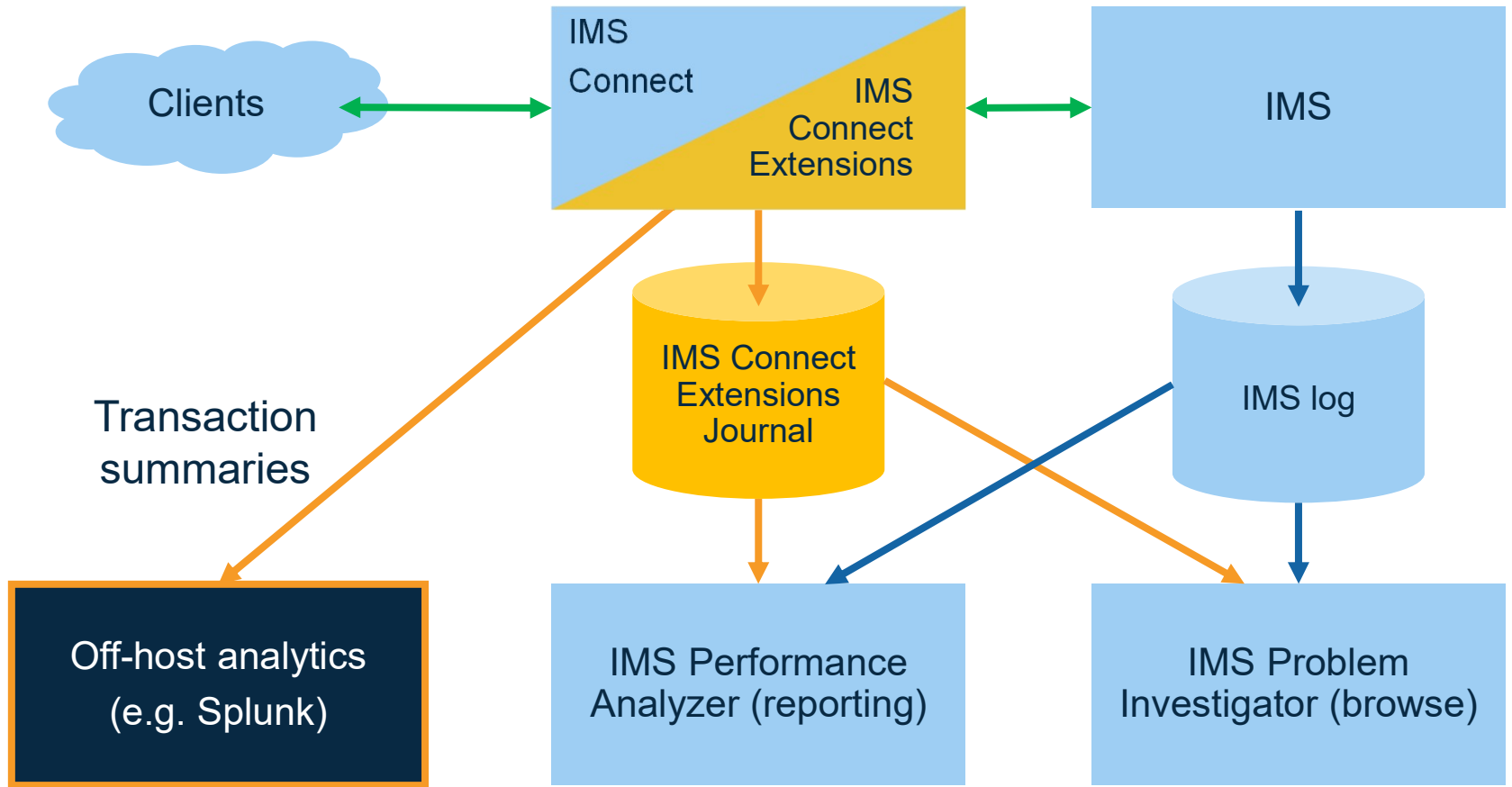
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IMS Connect Extensions

making use of the journal and the feed

Event logging and analytics environment

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IMS Performance Analyzer

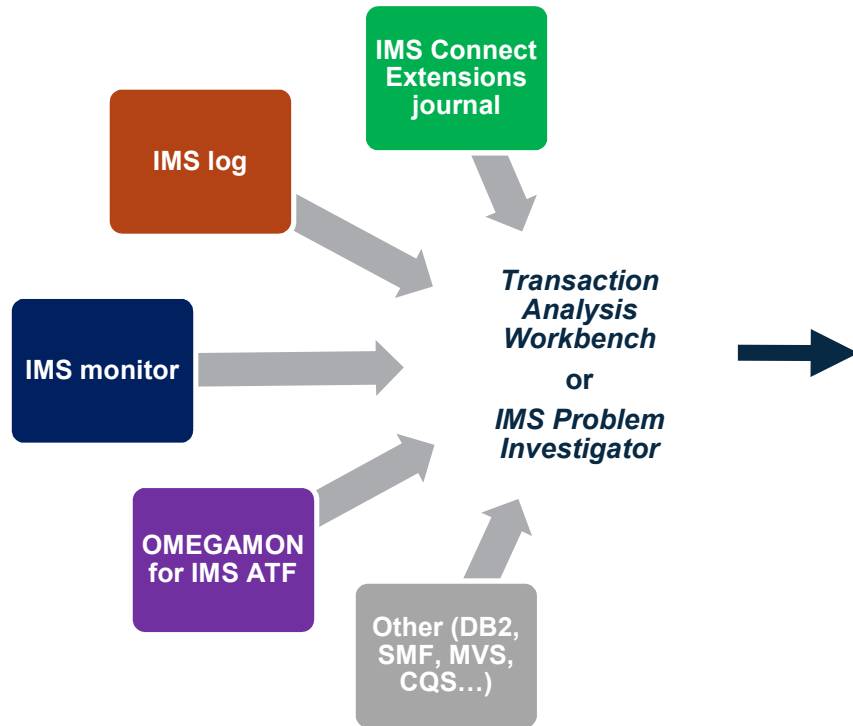
IMS Connect Transit Log – constructed from the IMS Connect Extensions journal by [IMS Performance Analyzer](#). Many other types of reports to choose from.

IMS Performance Analyzer
 IMS Connect Transit Log - DVPCFGDA
 Log from 15Apr2019 10.48.46.40

Start Time HH.MM.SS.THmiju	Transact Code	Target DataStor	Port Number	Response Time	----- Pre-OTMA	Input READ Sock	----- READ Ex	SAF	-Process- OTMA	----- Confirm	Output Post-OTMA	----- XMIT Ex	E
10.48.46.407703	DVPTRAN5	IMD3	8801	631.340	1.198	0.507	0.243	0.000	60.516	569.538	0.087	0.105	-
10.48.47.455008	DVPTRAN5	IMD3	8801	641.975	0.839	0.388	0.161	0.000	43.400	597.644	0.090	0.117	
10.48.48.403977	DVPTRAN5	IMD3	8801	638.017	0.725	0.357	0.232	0.000	15.356	620.419	1.516	0.228	
10.49.06.240175	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	294.089	0.743	0.249	0.199	0.000	75.222	218.048	0.075	0.116	
10.49.06.837155	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	712.028	0.745	0.392	0.235	0.000	101.217	610.034	0.030	0.122	
10.49.07.549765	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	2.668	0.523	0.234	0.088	0.000	0.749	0.000	1.394	0.045	N
10.49.20.627624	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	553.921	238.108	237.703	0.292	0.000	21.185	294.595	0.033	0.112	
10.49.21.486274	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	610.756	0.835	0.435	0.229	0.000	10.200	599.644	0.075	0.058	
10.49.22.401900	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	623.785	0.644	0.296	0.215	0.000	9.954	613.111	0.075	0.052	
10.49.23.026219	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	2.618	0.599	0.251	0.044	0.000	0.736	0.000	1.282	0.104	N
10.49.46.989823	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	467.398	0.729	0.250	0.292	0.000	199.231	267.405	0.032	0.117	
10.49.47.762563	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	693.966	0.743	0.298	0.221	0.000	23.973	669.201	0.047	0.113	
10.49.48.457862	IVTCV	IMD3	8801	3.024	0.914	0.485	0.216	0.000	0.712	0.000	1.397	0.045	N
10.50.17.644034	DVPTRAN5	IMD3	8801	2.696.652	302.567	302.003	0.344	0.000	86.355	2.307.654	0.075	0.110	
10.50.21.110778	DVPTRAN5	IMD3	8801	4.877.428	301.982	301.597	0.236	0.000	13.110	4.562.304	0.031	0.053	
10.50.32.297230	DVPTRAN5	IMD3	8801	1.417.832	0.756	0.370	0.231	0.000	15.107	1.401.937	0.030	0.115	
10.50.34.118110	DVPTRAN5	IMD3	8801	1.232.251	298.323	297.938	0.237	0.000	118.086	815.810	0.030	0.114	
10.50.35.648306	DVPTRAN5	IMD3	8801	1.096.759	290.238	289.867	0.237	0.000	15.997	789.034	1.488	0.222	
10.51.07.119390	IVTCV	IMD4	8801	0:43	0.728	0.256	0.325	0.000	23.758	0:43	0.031	0.116	
10.51.50.571677	IVTCV	IMD4	8801	3.716.608	263.082	262.695	0.237	0.000	35.675	3.417.819	0.031	0.116	
10.51.56.334200	IVTCV	IMD4	8801	3.909.816	274.131	273.661	0.236	0.000	9.148	3.626.459	0.076	0.113	
10.52.20.858335	IVTCV	IMD4	8801	0:39	1.394	0.875	0.170	0.000	53.750	0:39	0.114	0.117	
10.52.59.441817	IVTCV	IMD4	8801	2.775	0.614	0.349	0.091	0.000	0.639	0.000	1.521	0.125	N

IMS Problem Investigator

End-to-end DRDA request using multiple data sources
(including IMS Connect Extensions)



<https://www.ibm.com/downloads/cas/DYA6PNBY>

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— 003C Prepare READ Socket 13.16.53.026908
— 0049 READ Socket +0.000118
— 005B DRDA 1041 EXCSAT-Exchange Server Attributes +0.000125
— 0049 READ Socket +0.000151
— 005B DRDA 106D ACCSEC-Access Security +0.000182
— 005C DRDA 1443 EXCSATRD-Server Attributes Reply Data +0.000204
— 004A WRITE Socket +0.000310
— 0049 READ Socket +0.854012
— 005B DRDA 106E SECCHK-Security Check +0.854020
— 0063 ODBM Security Exit called +0.854053
— 0064 ODBM Security Exit returned +0.854126
— 005C DRDA 1219 SECCHKRM-Security Check Reply Message +0.854142
— 004A WRITE Socket +0.854230
— 0049 READ Socket +1.022542
— 005B DRDA 2001 ACCRDB-Access RDB +1.022551
— 005D ODBM begin Allocate PSB (APSB) Program=AUTPSB11 +1.022572
— 0061 ODBM Routing Exit called +1.022582
— 0062 ODBM Routing Exit returned +1.022740
— 00AA ODBM Trace: Message sent to ODBM +1.022880
— 0069 Message sent to ODBM +1.022887
— 06 BMP Scheduling start TranCode=ODBA02CD Region=0004 +1.024870
— 4E02 BMP Scheduling start Region=0004 +1.024873
— 08 Application Start Program=AUTPSB11 Region=0004 +1.025814
— 5067 Start of UOR Program=AUTPSB11 Region=0004 +1.025815
— 5616 Start of protected UOW Region=0004 +1.026013
— 4E03 BMP Scheduling end TranCode=ODBA02CD Region=0004 +1.026018
— 00AA ODBM Trace: Message received from ODBM +1.028028
— 006A Message received from ODBM +1.028043
— 005E ODBM end Allocate PSB (APSB) Program=AUTPSB11 +1.029573
— 005C DRDA 2201 ACCRDBRM-Access RDB Reply Message +1.029600
— 004A WRITE Socket +1.031028
— 0048 Trigger Event for ODBMMSG +1.031063
— 003C Prepare READ Socket +1.051454
— 0049 READ Socket +1.051540
— 005B DRDA 200C OPNQRY-Open Query +1.051546
— 0049 READ Socket +1.051605
— 005B DRDA CC05 DLIFUNC-DL/I function +1.051635
— 0049 READ Socket +1.051658
— 005B DRDA CC01 INAI B-AIB data +1.051689
— 0049 READ Socket +1.051712
— 005B DRDA CC04 RTRVFLD-Field client wants to retrieve data +1.051742
— 0049 READ Socket +1.051787
— 005B DRDA CC06 SSALIST-List of segment search argument +1.051795
— 00AA ODBM Trace: Message sent to ODBM +1.052210
— 0069 Message sent to ODBM +1.052221
— 01 DLI GHU Database=AUTOLDB SC=' ' Elapse=0.000364 +1.052811
— 4E60 DLI Call start Region=0004 +1.052816
— 4E62 DLA00 start Database=AUTOLDB Region=0004 Func=GU +1.052873
— 4E63 DLA00 end Region=0004 Seg=DEALER SC=' ' +1.053029
— 4E61 DLI Call end Region=0004 +1.053165
— 00AA ODBM Trace: Message received from ODBM +1.053760
— 006A Message received from ODBM +1.053771
— 005C DRDA 2205 OPNQRYRM-Open Query Complete +1.053915
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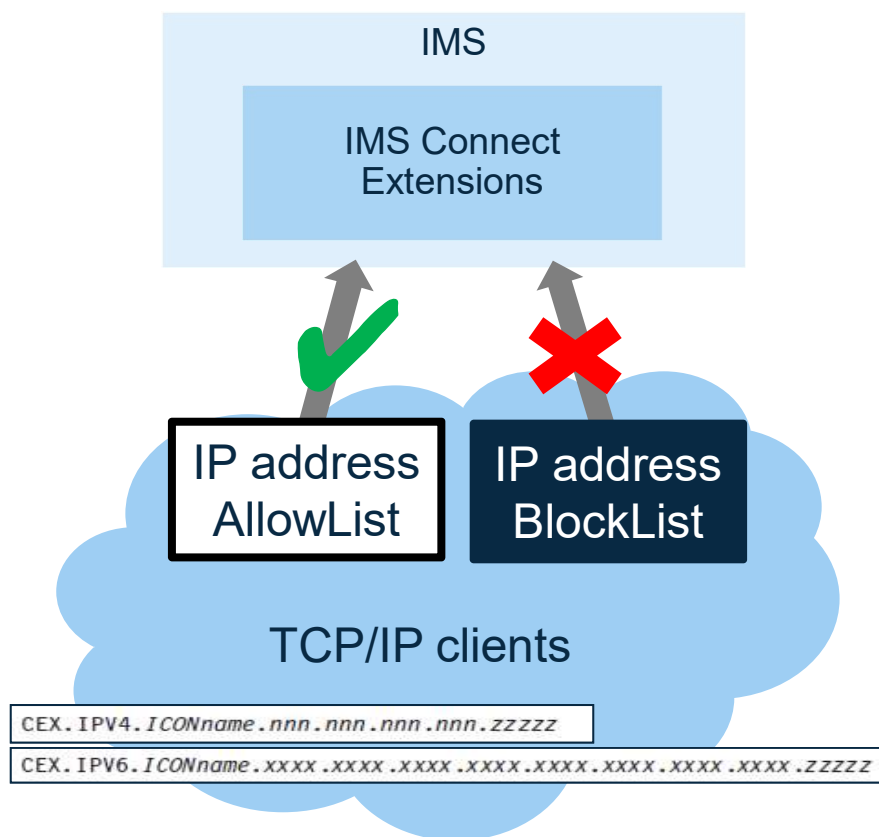
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IMS Connect Extensions

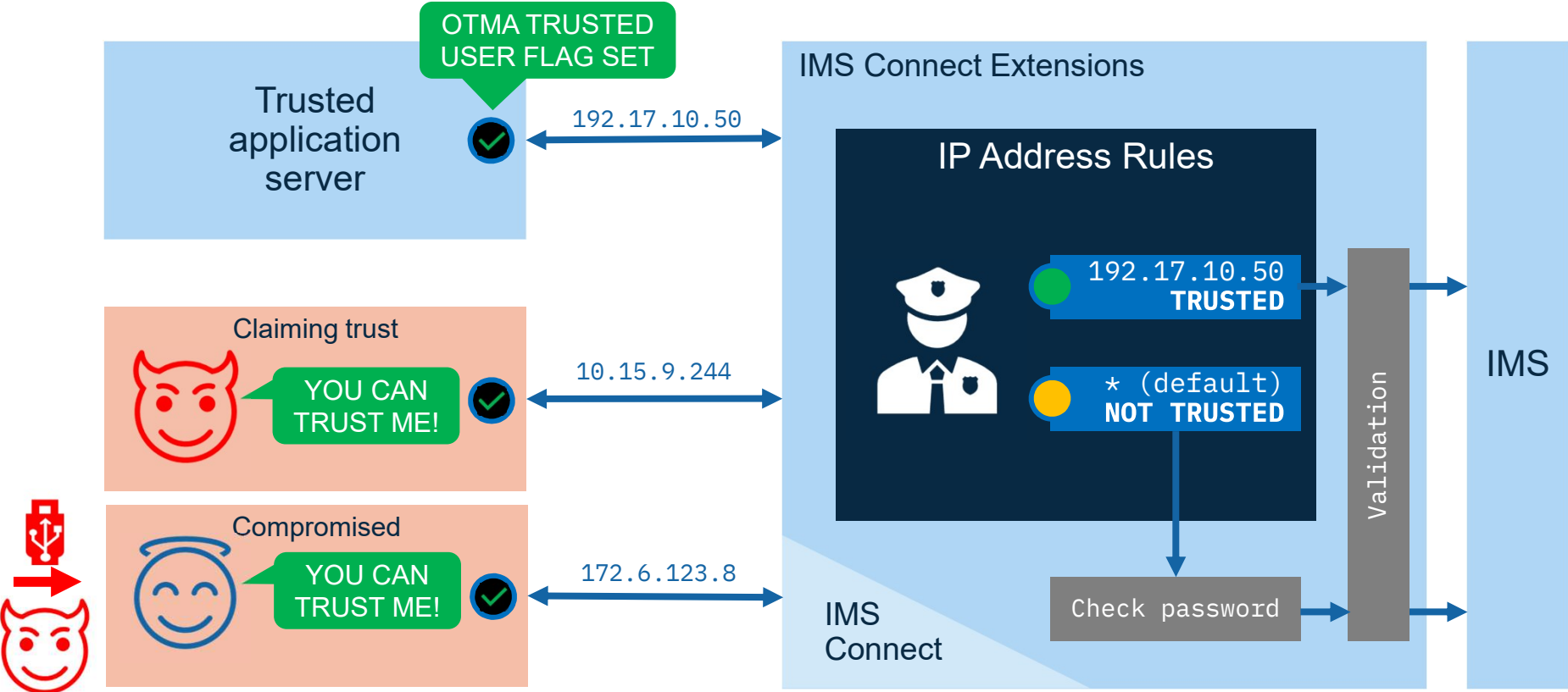
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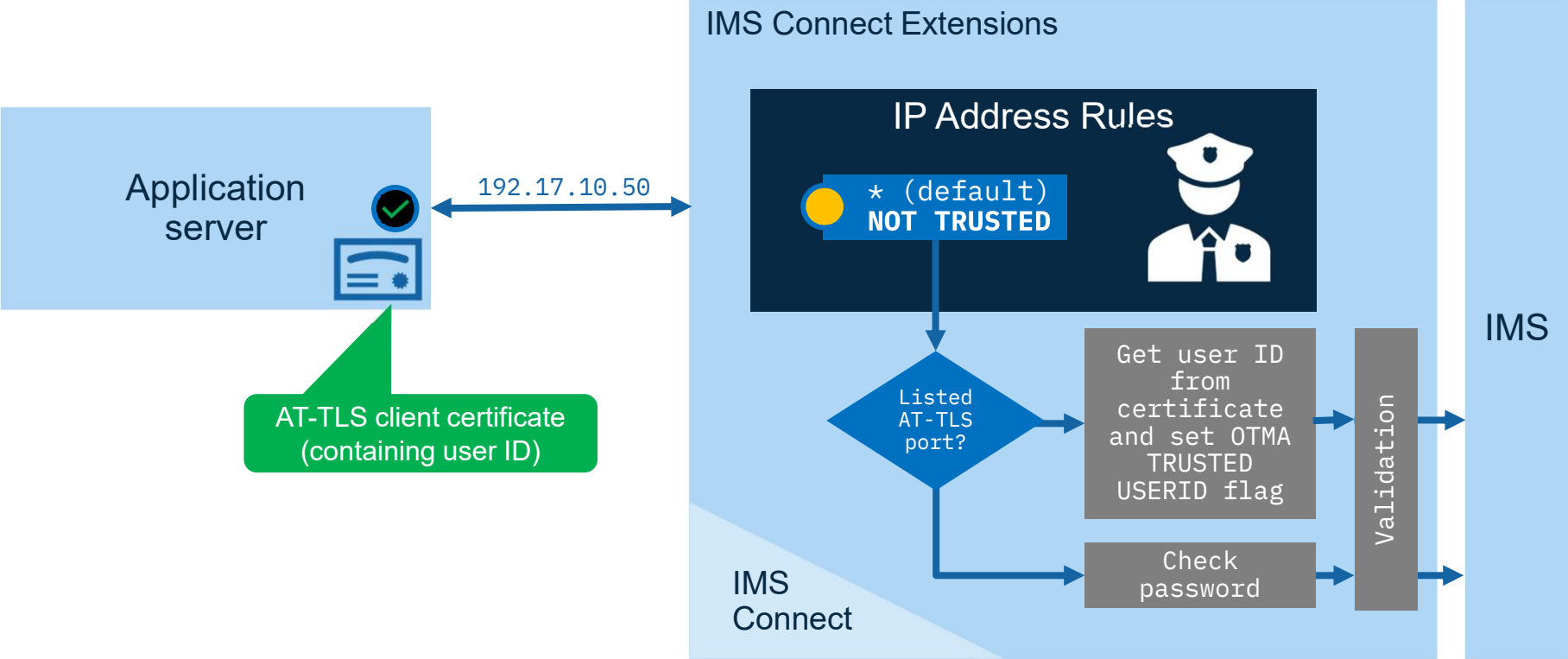


- Manage access to IMS Connect systems based on the **IMS Connect system** a client is connecting through and the **IP address** they are connecting from
- Security rules (RACF or other) can be used to produce **AllowLists**
- Rules can be formed to produce **BlockLists** that reject access from certain IP addresses or address ranges
- Access can be restricted further based on the **IMS Connect port** being used by the client

Centralized management of trust based on IP address



Take the user ID from the client's digital certificate (AT-TLS)



IMS Connect Extensions feature summary

- **IMS Connect workload management**

- Balance OTMA/ODBM workload across multiple IMS systems
- Configure a primary/fallback IMS
- Create custom routing rules/routing plans
- Set up automatic session rebalancing
- Security: access control + IP address rules

- **IMS Connect event collection**

- Events, IRM and OTMA tracing (with IMS Problem Investigator or IBM Transaction Analysis Workbench)
- Performance reporting, port usage, exception reporting, gap analysis, trace reporting, and OTMA routing behavior reporting (with IMS Performance Analyzer)
- Event forwarding and analysis (with off-host data analytics platforms i.e. Splunk)

- **IMS Connect operations**

- Single point of control (SPOC) for all your IMS Connect systems
- ISPF dialog, Operations Console for z/OS Explorer, or develop your own workflows with REXX:
 - Status monitoring and usage statistics: IMS Connect, TCP/IP ports, DATASTORE connections to IMS, ODBMs, active sessions...
 - Operations: start/stop/drain a DATASTORE connection to IMS, stop an IMS Connect system, stop/drain an active session, start/stop IMS Connect Extensions trace, change routing plans, dynamically reshape workloads...

<https://www.ibm.com/us-en/marketplace/ims-connect-extensions-for-zos/resources>

For more information

- IMS Tools website
www.ibm.com/it-infrastructure/z/ims/tools
- IMS Tools new functions
www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg22015506
- IMS Tools Product Documentation
www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg27020942
- IMS Tools YouTube Playlist
www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLezLS0Tuqb-5DSdF1Locnq5IhTgcX02vf
- IMS new functions
www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSEPH2_15.1.0/com.ibm.ims15.doc.rpg/ims_cd_functions.htm
- IBM zITSM newsletter (email every 2 months with summary articles and links to more information)
<http://ibm.biz/zITSMNewsletterSubscribe>
- IMS Tools support for IMS V15
www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg22009341
- IMS Tools support for Managed ACBs
www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=ibm10731745
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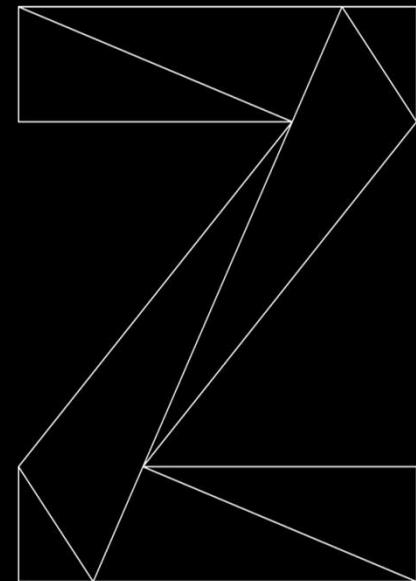
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Additional topics for IMS Connect Extensions

Keeping persistent sessions balanced
across your IMS Connect systems
with IMS Connect Extensions

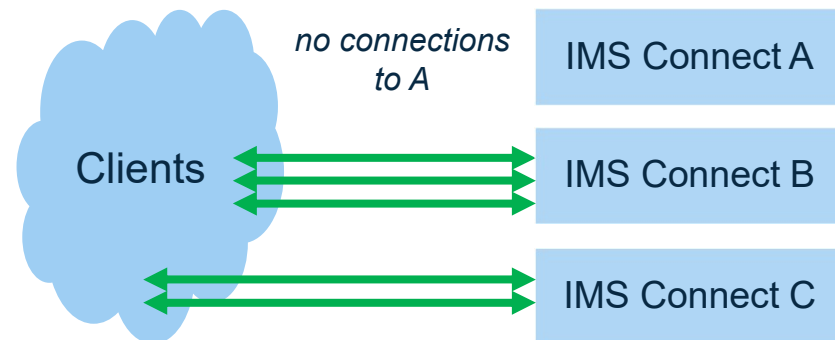
Concept: Balancing persistent sessions

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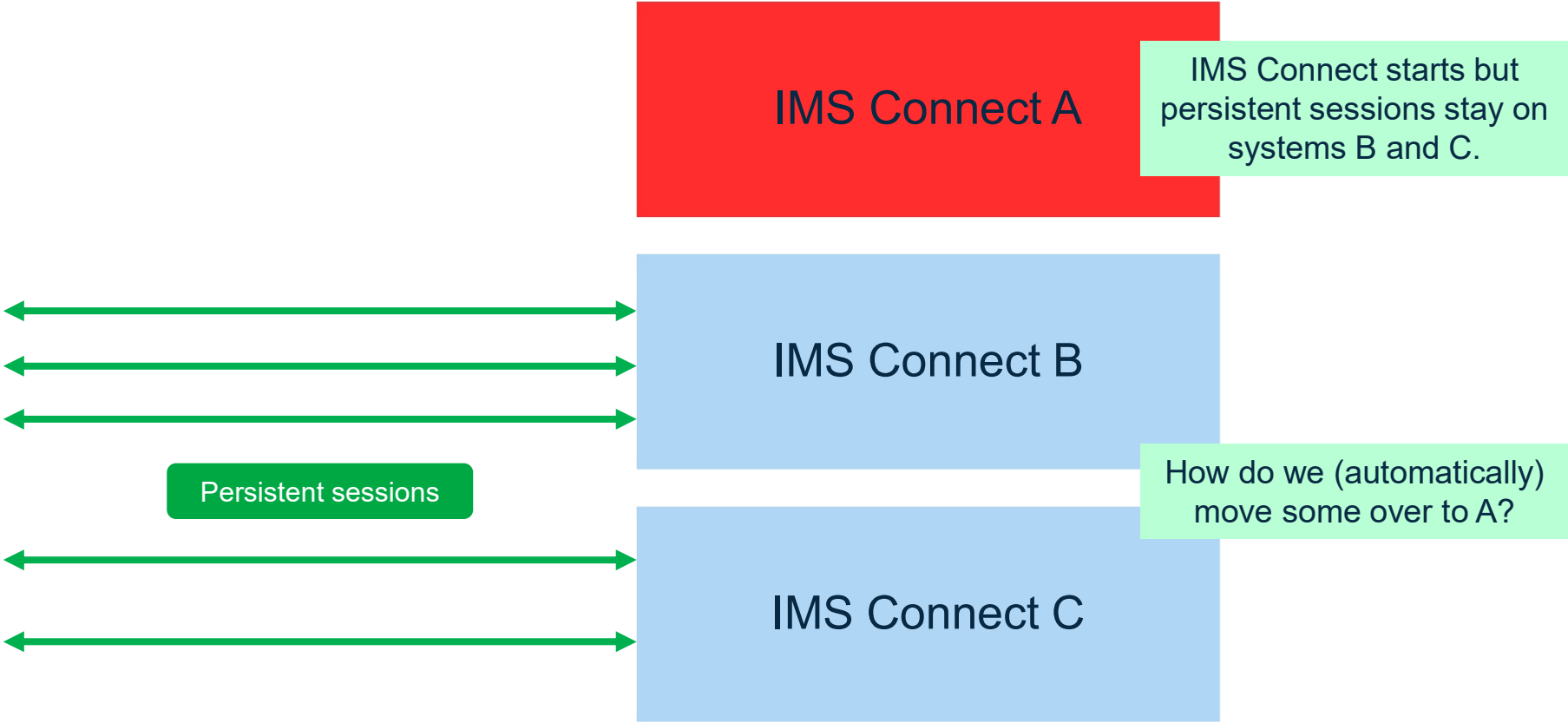
- Persistent sessions are unbalanced across IMS Connect systems.
- Can occur when an IMS Connect is taken out of service. Bringing the IMS Connect back online does not resolve the problem.

What's involved?

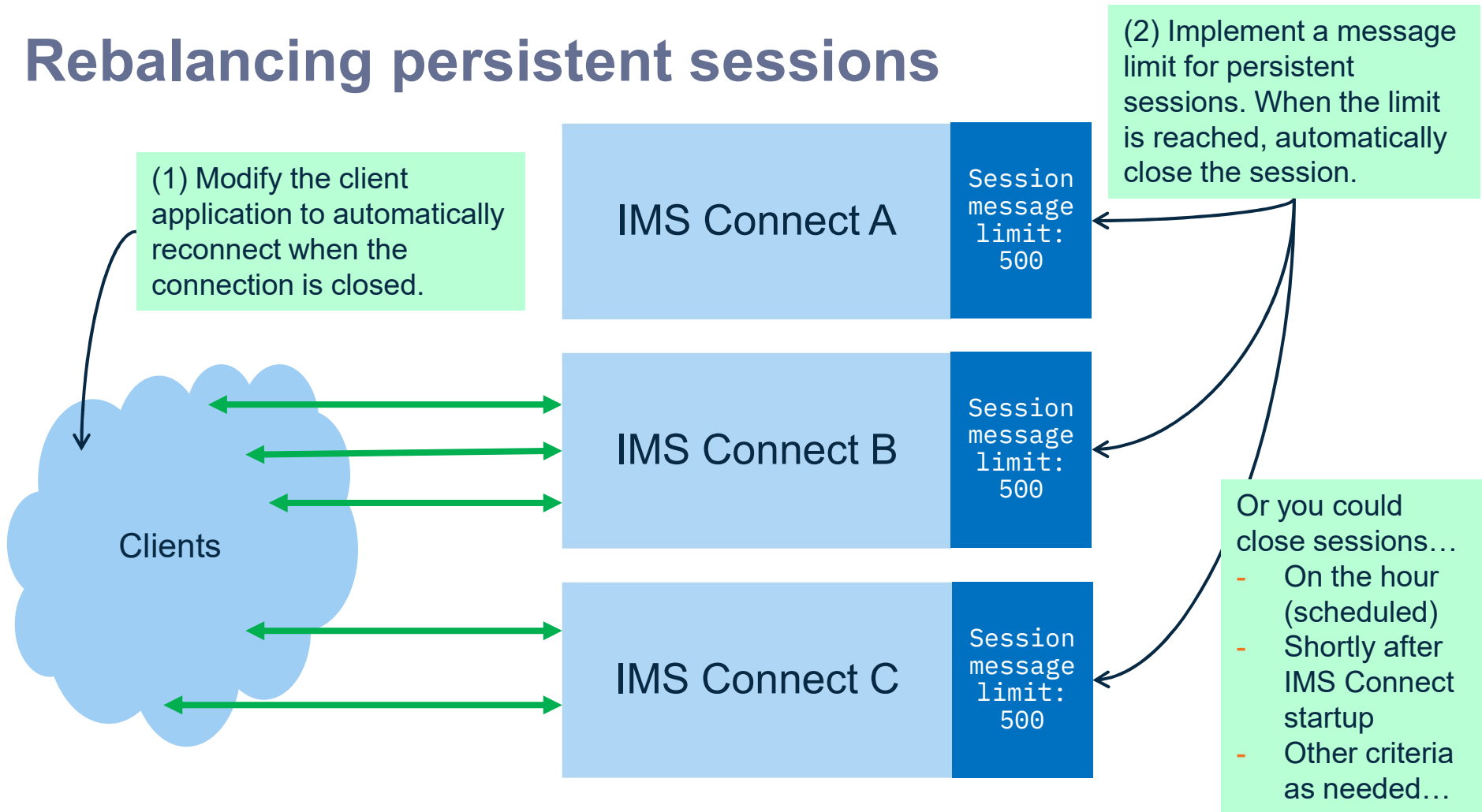
- [IMS Connect Extensions session message limits](#)
- Client application changes
- Sysplex distributor and WLM



Unbalanced persistent sessions



Rebalancing persistent sessions



Rebalancing in action

When a session hits the limit, the client is forced to re-establish the connection. The new connection is then distributed according to the Workload Manager (WLM) recommendation.

