

# CICS Workload Management:: A best practice approach

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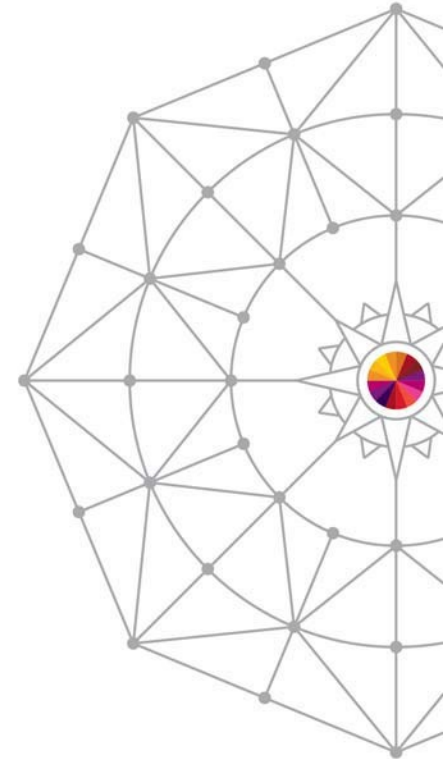
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## Agenda



- CICSplex SM: Start here
- CICSplex SM and CICS Explorer: Enabling Single System Image
- CICSplex SM: Workload Management
- CICSplex SM: Foundation for CICS Platform and Application Deployment



# Agenda



- CICSplex SM: Start here
  - Foundation Concepts
    - Capabilities and Topologies
  - Getting Started
    - What you need to decide
    - Using CICS Deployment Assistant
    - Using CICS Configuration Manager
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CPSM-ite?



From <http://www.unilever.co.uk/brands-in-action/detail/Marmite/293688/>



Marmite was conceived in 1902 and the Marmite Food Company opened a small factory in Burton-on-Trent where it still resides today. It took a couple of years to perfect the recipe and for the British public to warm to the spread's distinctive taste.

Before Louis Pasteur realised that the cells in yeast were in fact living plants, people simply discarded this by-product of the brewing process. German scientist Liebig then went on to make yeast into a concentrated food product - one that resembled meat extract but was in fact vegetarian.

Today Marmite is a nutritious, black, tasty, savoury spread enjoyable on toast or bread or even as a cooking ingredient. It is made from spent brewer's yeast and comes in a distinctive black jar with a yellow lid.

Following the discovery of vitamins in 1912, yeast was found to be a great source of five important 'B' vitamins. As a result Marmite was included in soldiers' ration packs during World War I. It became a dietary supplement in prisoner-of-war camps in World War II and was sent to British peacekeeping forces in Kosovo to boost morale in 1999.

Limited edition Guinness Marmite was launched in 2007, followed by Marmite champagne, especially for Valentine's Day in 2008 and 2009 saw a cricket-themed Marsden's Marmite. Extra strength Marmite XO was developed in 2010 and to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in June 2012, Marmite decided to pay a fitting tribute by launching another limited edition, aptly named 'Ma'amite'.

Marmite has had a number of heart-warming advertising campaigns over the years from 'My Mate Marmite' to Paddington Bear. The most popular 'Love it or Hate it' campaign was born out of talking to people and discovering that most of them really either love or hate Marmite! A bold move for the brand which has coined a well-used phrase today.



## CICSplex SM Features

- **A real-time, single-system image (SSI)**
- **A single point of control**
- Management of your business applications
- **Operations for the entire CICSplex**
- **Management of your workloads**
- Automated exception reporting for CICS resources
- Monitoring functions for the collection of statistical data for CICS resources
- An application programming interface (API)
- Management of the CICSplex SM environment
- Management of time-dependent activity



Read my lips...

“CICSplex SM is the foundation for enhancing the User Experience, Productivity, and Agility of running every type, size and complexity of CICS system, period.”

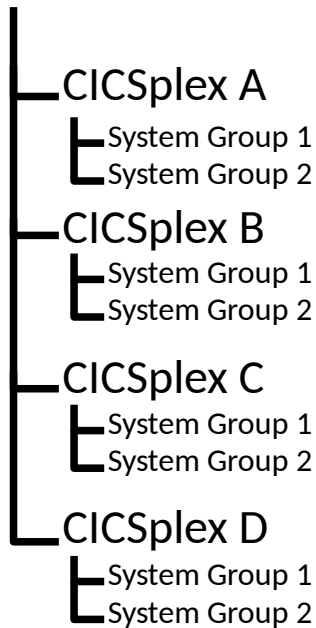


# CICSplex SM – Getting Started

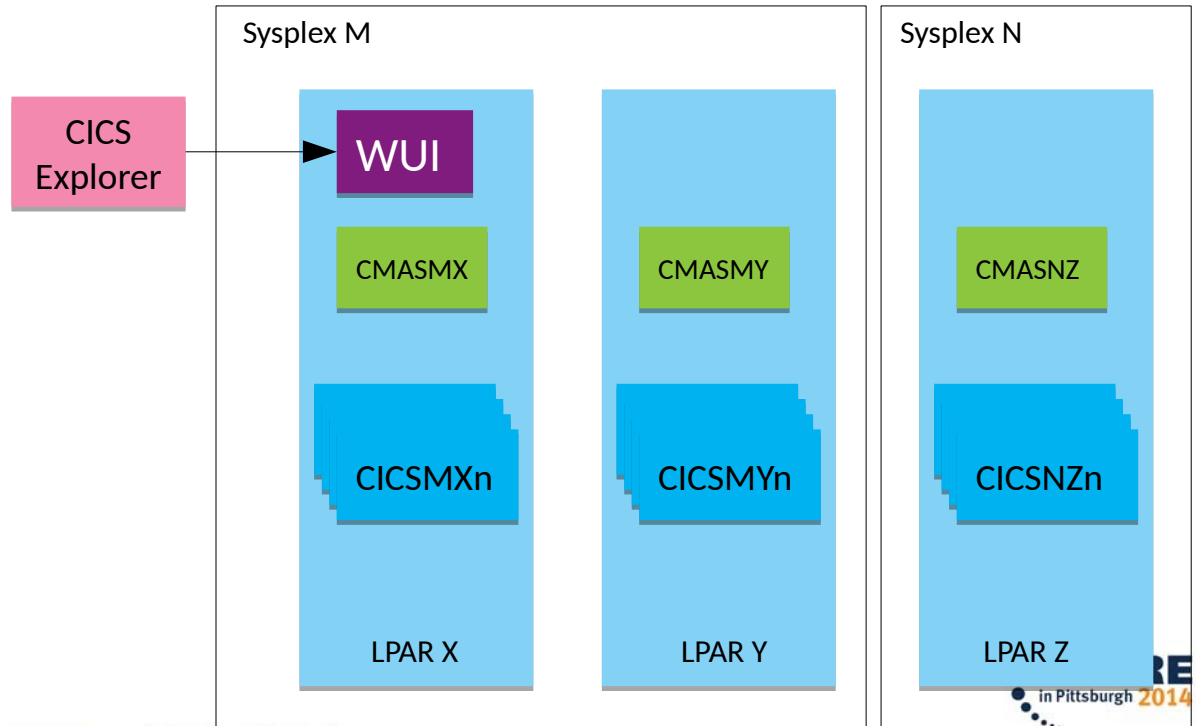
- Read the Concepts and Planning documentation
- Some basics...

## Logical Structure

### CICSplex SM



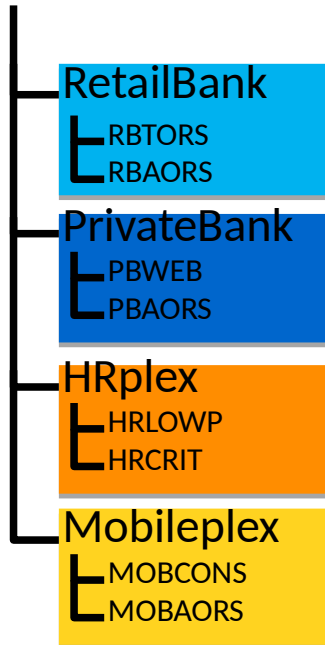
## Infrastructure Topology



# CICSplex SM – Provisioning Management Resources

## Logical Structure

### CICSplex SM

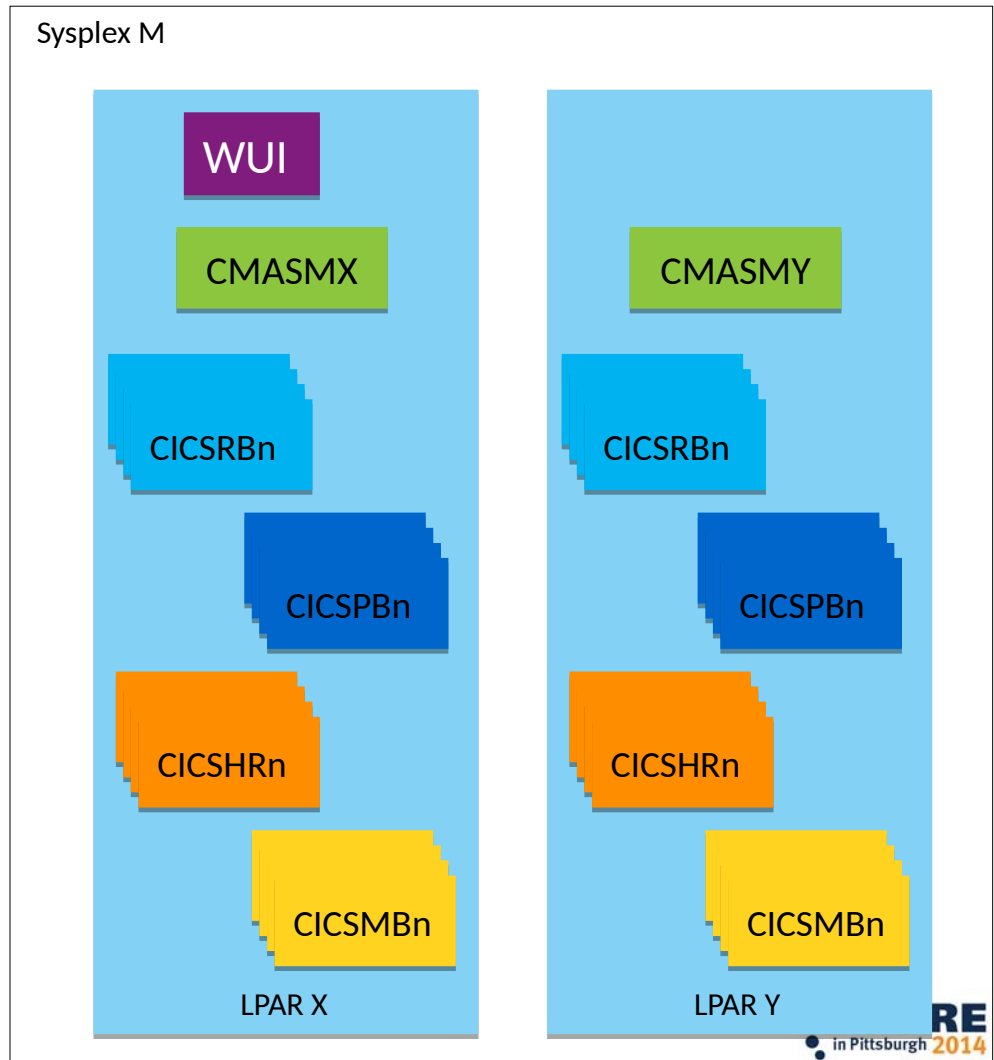


One CMAS per LPAR, regardless of the number of CICSplexes.

CICS regions cannot be in more than one CICSplex.

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//EYUPARM DD *
CICSplex (MOBCONS)
/*
```

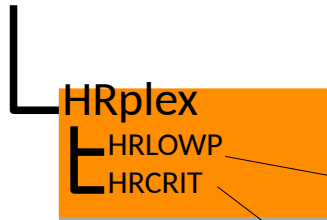
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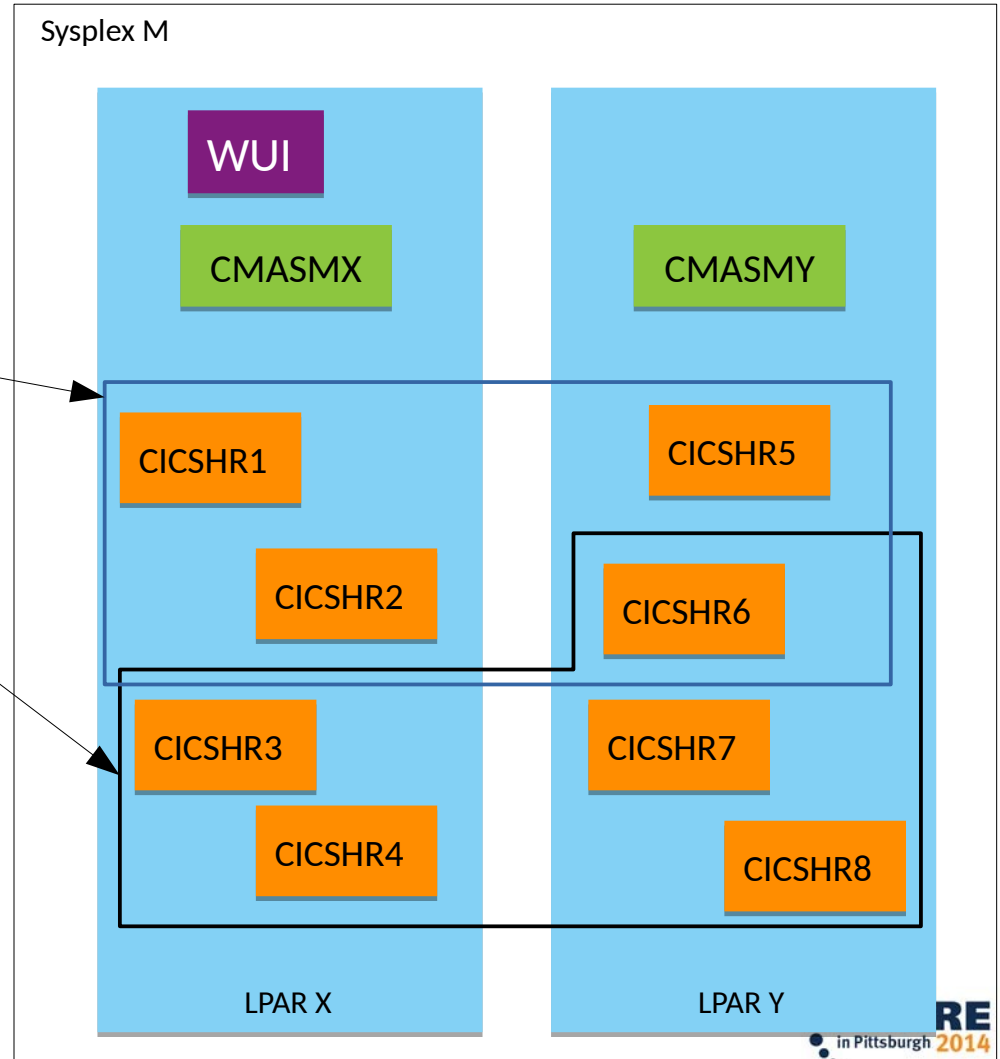
# CICSplex SM – System Groups Logical Structure

# Topology

CICSplex SM



CICS regions can be in more than one System Group.  
(eg CICS HR6)

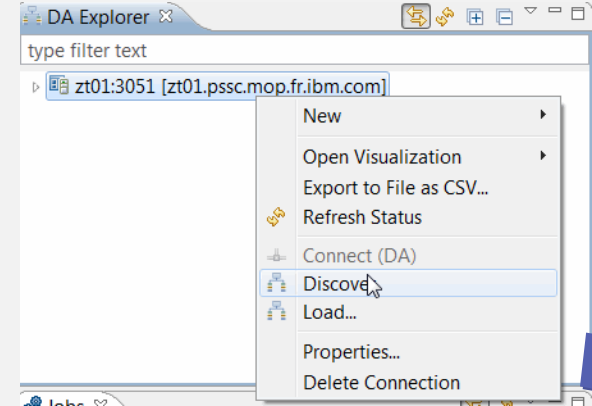


# Short-cut to CICSplex... CICS Deployment Assistant

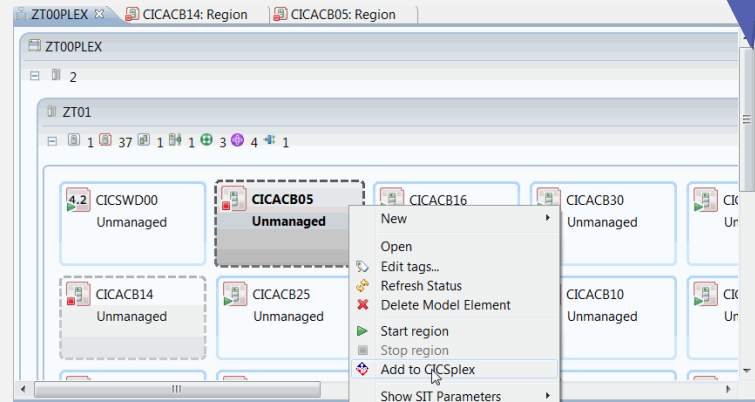
## Benefits

- 3 steps to a managed region
- Manage your region from the CICS SM Explorer perspective

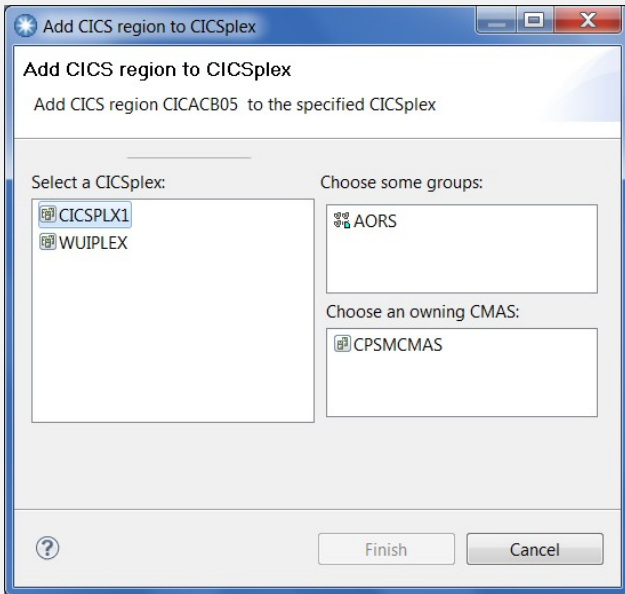
Discover



Visualize  
Unmanaged regions



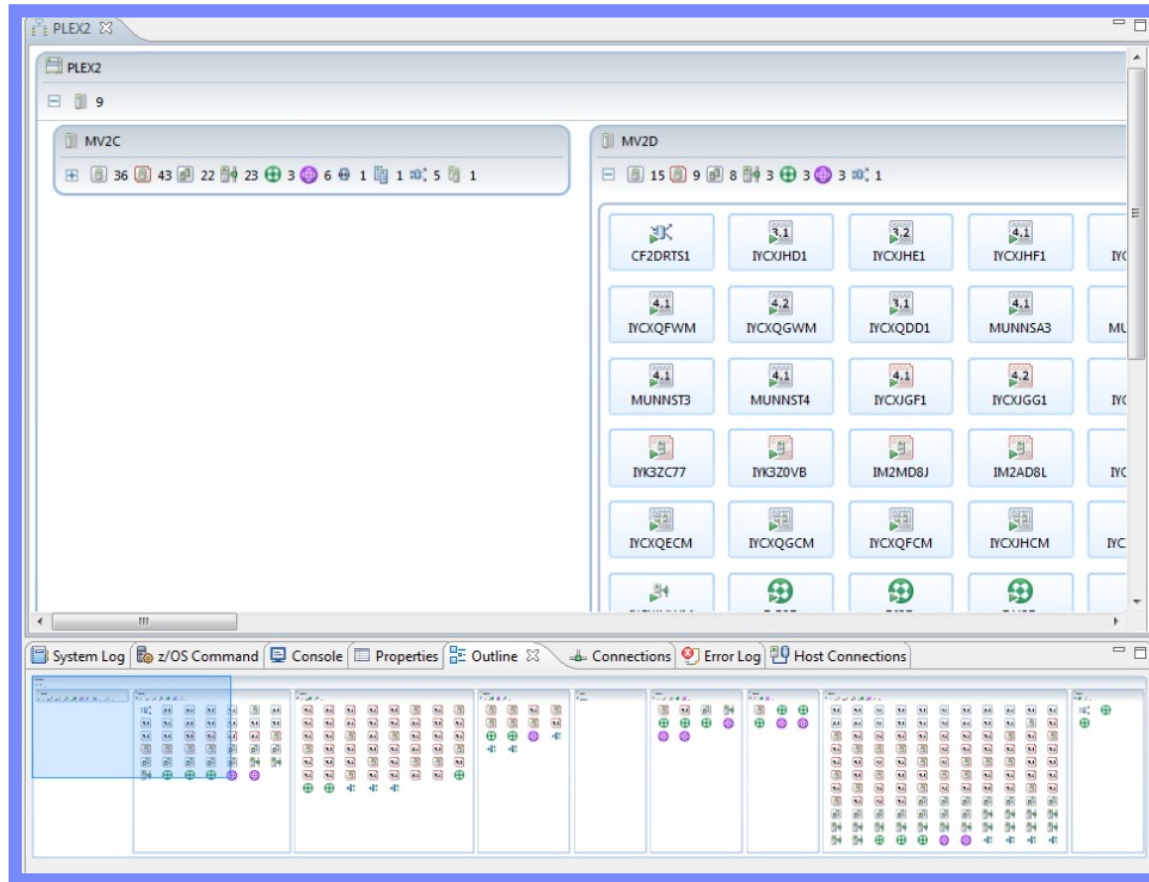
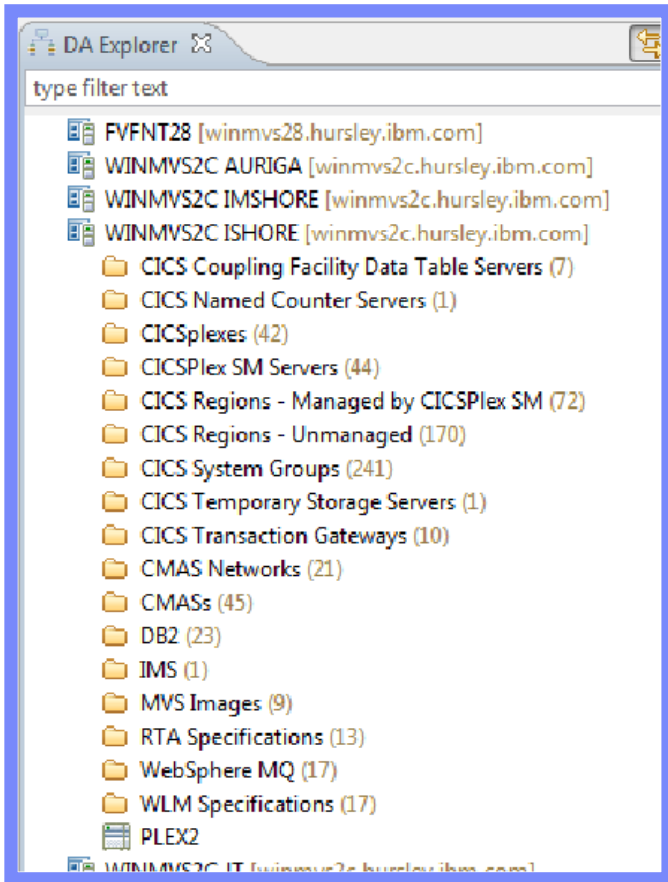
Manage



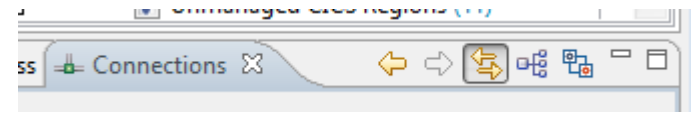
# CICS DA – Discover and Visualize

## Graphical Visualisation: Sysplex view & Overview

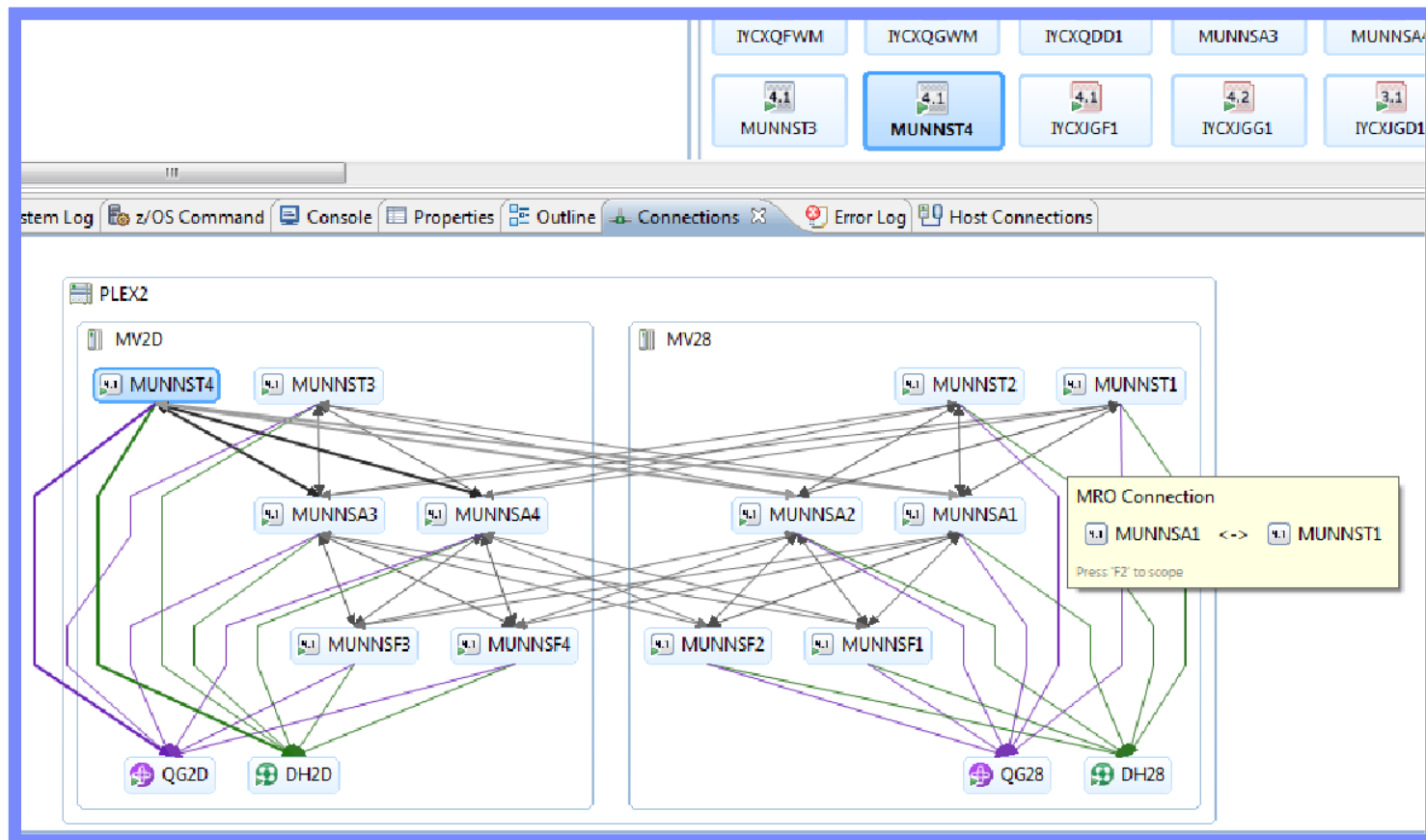
### Tree View



# CICS DA – Discover and Visualize

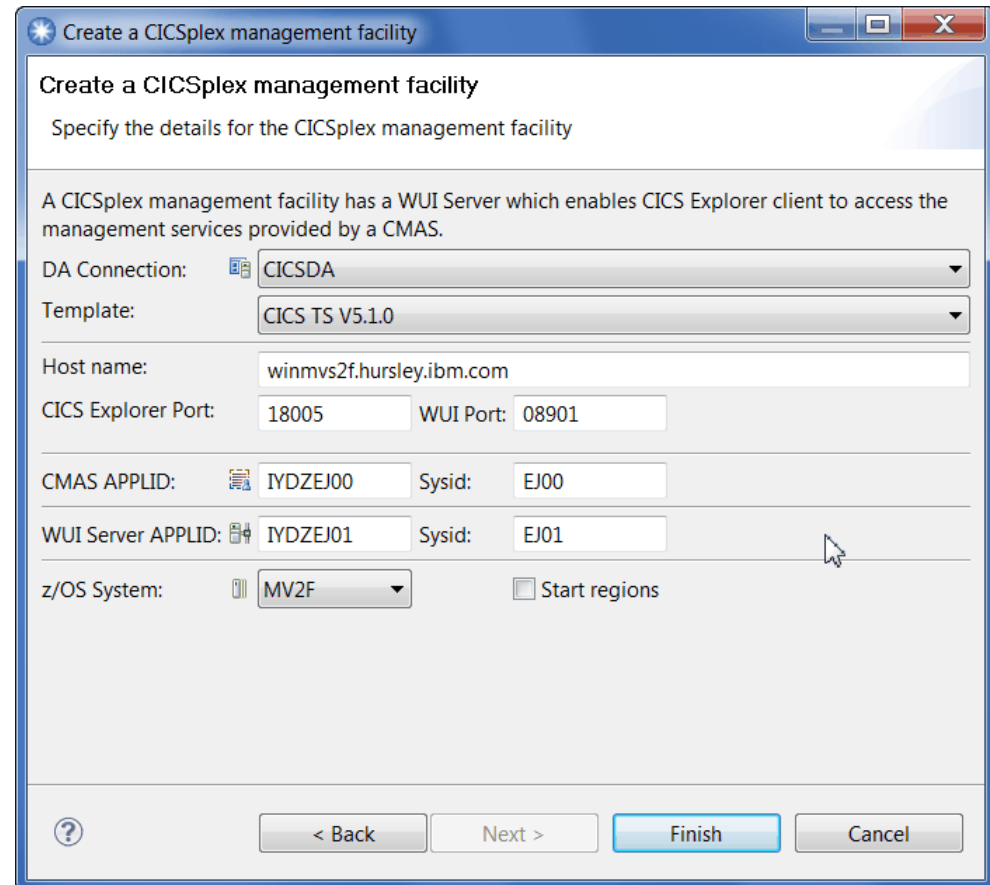
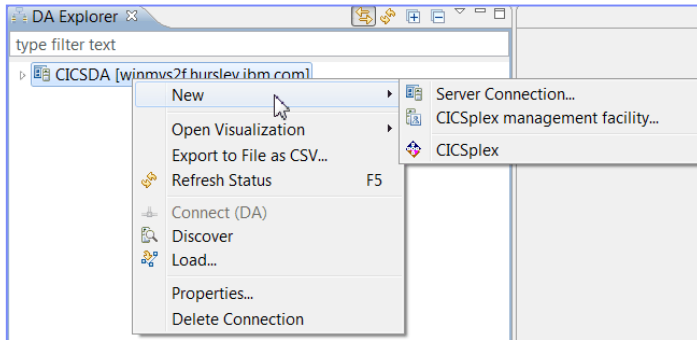


## Scoped connections view – in a physical layout



# CICS DA - Plexify

Select *New->CICSplex management facility*





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- CICSplex SM and CICS Explorer: Enabling Single System Image
  - CICS Explorer – the modern face of CICS
  - Operations
  - Definitions
- CICSplex SM: Workload Management
- CICSplex SM: Foundation for CICS Platform and Application Deployment



IBM CICS Explorer BETA - /home/stewart/.cicsexplorer\_beta

Resource CICS IA z/OS CICS SM

CICSplex CICSplex Server: EHCM

Regions Tasks ISC/MRO Connections Terminals Files Transactions

CN02111 Context: CICSEXP3. Resource: TASK. 23 records collected at 28-Sep-2012 02:08:56

Task ID:

Task ID	Transaction	Run Status	User ID	Principal Fa	LU Name	Priority	Class Name	Suspend Tim
0000022	CONL	▶ RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000036	COIO	▢ SUSPEND	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000037	COIE	▢ SUSPEND	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:13
0000027	CONL	▶ RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000044	COIO	▢ SUSPEND	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000045	COIE	▢ SUSPEND	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:01
0000028	CONL	▶ RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000045	COIO	▢ SUSPEND	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000046	COIE	▢ SUSPEND	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:04
0000028	CONL	▶ RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000043	COIO	▢ SUSPEND	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000046	COIE	▢ SUSPEND	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:01
0000029	CONL	▶ RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000030	COIO	▢ SUSPEND	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00

Properties Error Log

Property	Value
Basic	
Access Type	LOCAL
Botrsupd	1
CMAS Name	IYCWEHCM
CMAS Status	ACTIVE
CMAS System ID	EHCM
MP Status	YES

IZE0100I Connected user STEWF to ...ost.hursley.ibm.com on port 27055 Fetching children of ...F Status:ALL cicsexp3host:27055

- Browse

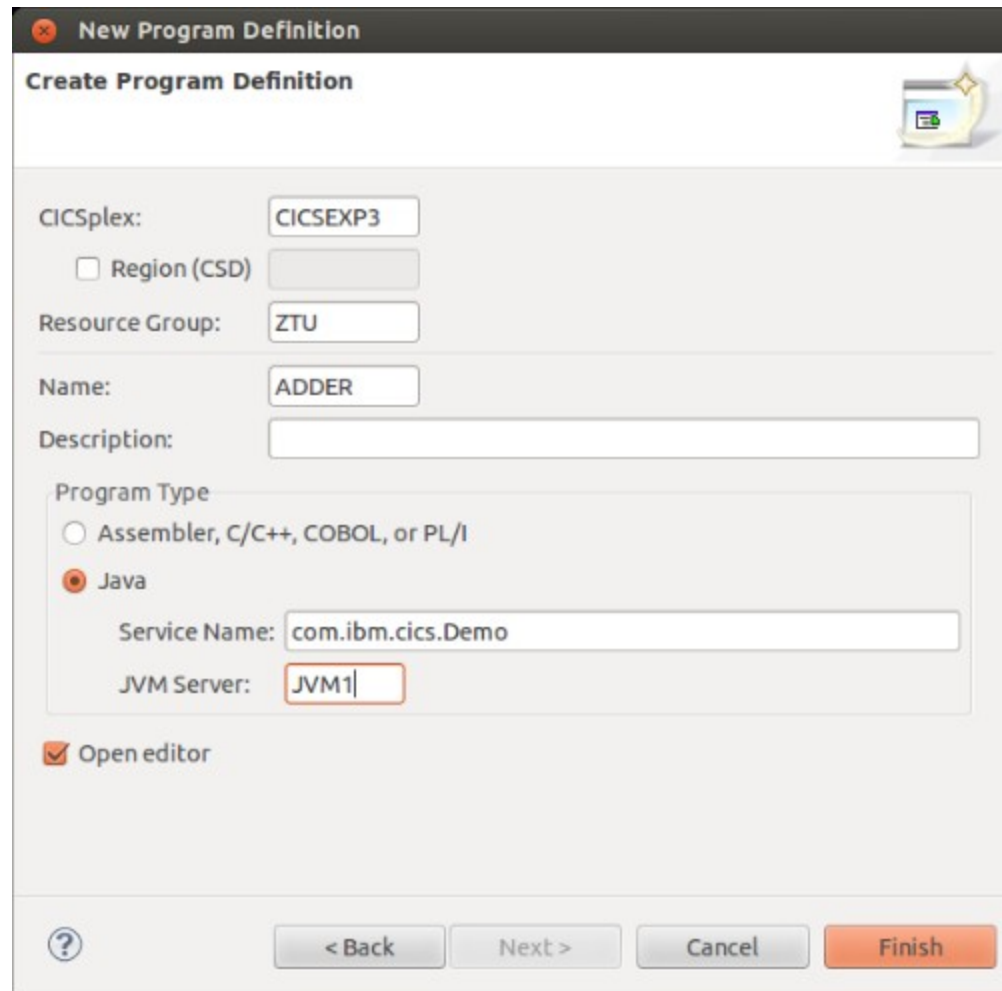
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CNX0211I Context: CICSEXP3. Resource: TASK. 22 records collected at 28-Sep-2012 02:30:53

Task ID:  Transaction ID:

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0000047	COVG	SUSPENDED	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:12
0000045	COVG	SUSPENDED	CICSUSER			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:02
0001941	COVA	SUSPENDED	CICSUSER			150	DFHTCL00	0000:00:08
0001944	COVA	SUSPENDED	CICSUSER			150	DFHTCL00	0000:00:08
0000029	CONL	RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000029	CONL	RUNNING	CICSUSER			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000028	CONL	RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000022	CONL	RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000027	CONL	RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000028	CONL	RUNNING	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000045	COI0	SUSPENDED	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000030	COI0	SUSPENDED	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000043	COI0	SUSPENDED	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00
0000044	COI0	SUSPENDED	MQTEST			255	DFHTCL00	0000:00:00

# Create



**New Program Definition**

**Create Program Definition**

CICSplex:

Region (CSD)

Resource Group:

Name:

Description:

Program Type

Assembler, C/C++, COBOL, or PL/I

Java

Service Name:

JVM Server:

Open editor



# Edit

Program Definition (ZTU) ZTU

**Overview**

CICSEXP3 ▸ ZTU ▾

**Basic**

Name: ZTU Description: ZTU

Version: 1 Created: 28-Sep-2012 02:15:31

Enabled Changed: 28-Sep-2012 02:15:31

**Details**

Language: N/A

Display Execution Diagnostic Facility (EDF) screens

**Open Transaction Environment**

Programs that are coded to threadsafe standards can exploit the CICS open transaction environment (OTE). OTE provides the opportunity for performance improvements and toleration of APIs that are not normally permitted in a CICS application program.

- This Program is threadsafe
- This Program is CPU intensive, which might include threadsafe CICS commands, and issues few non-threadsafe CICS commands, or uses APIs that are not normally permitted by CICS
- This Program
  - \* is only run on versions of CICS later than v4.1
  - \* issues many external resource manager calls
  - \* only uses APIs that are always permitted by CICS

**Storage**

Can handle 31 bit addresses (above the 16MB line)

Overview Remote Java™ Attributes

Program Definition (ZTU) ZTU

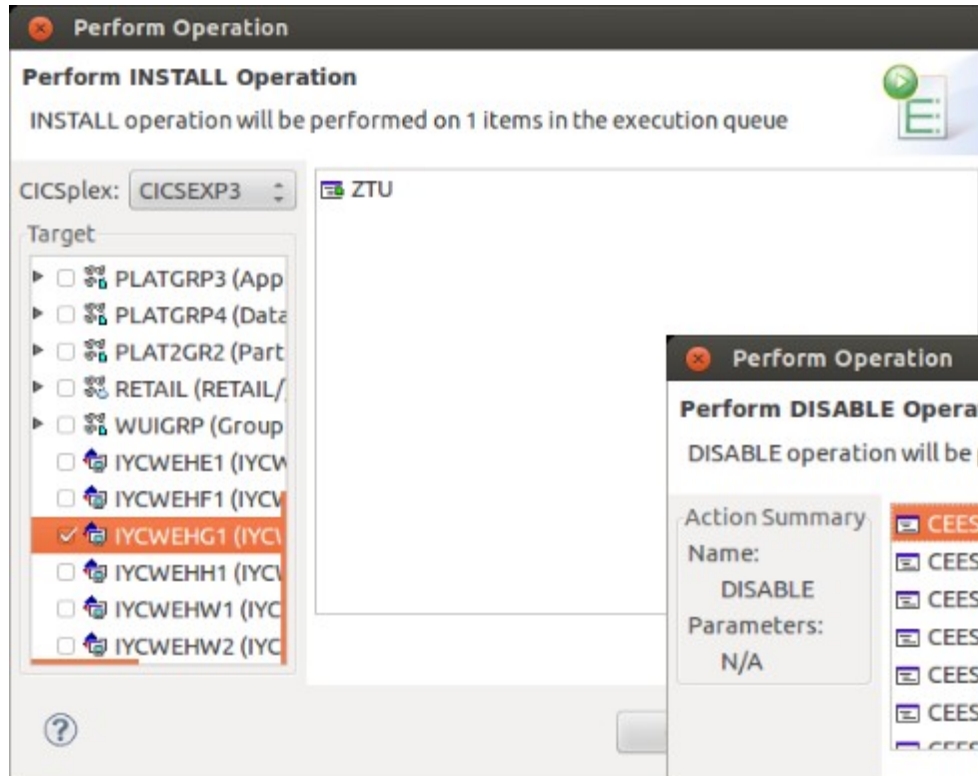
**Attributes**

CICSEXP3 ▸ ZTU ▾

Property	Value
Basic	
CSDGroup	
Description	ZTU
Name	ZTU
Version	1
Definition Signature	
Change Agent	DREPAPI
Change Release	0680
Change Time	28-Sep-2012 02:15:31
Change User ID	CICSUSER
Create Time	28-Sep-2012 02:15:31
Details	
Api	CICSAPI
Cedf	YES
Concurrency	REQUIRED
Datalocation	BELOW
Execkey	CICS
Language	N_A
Reload	NO
Resident	NO
Status	ENABLED

Overview Remote Java™ Attributes

# Lifecycle



**Perform Operation**

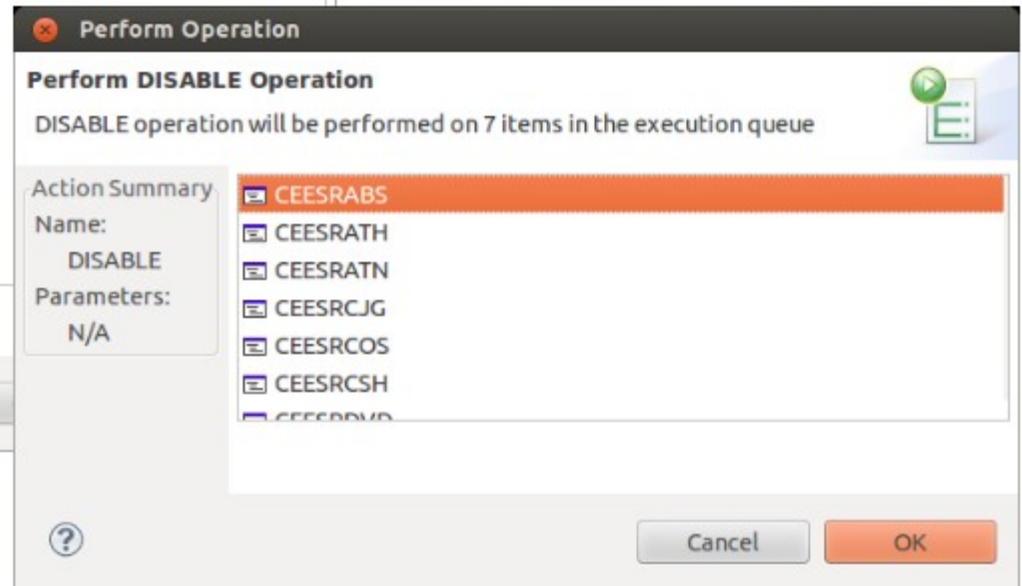
**Perform INSTALL Operation**

INSTALL operation will be performed on 1 items in the execution queue

CICSplex: **CICSEXP3**    ZTU

Target

- PLATGRP3 (App
- PLATGRP4 (Date
- PLAT2GR2 (Part
- RETAIL (RETAIL/
- WUIGRP (Group
- IYWEHE1 (IYCW
- IYWEHF1 (IYCV
- IYWEHG1 (IYCV
- IYWEHH1 (IYCV
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- IYWEHW2 (IYCV



**Perform Operation**

**Perform DISABLE Operation**

DISABLE operation will be performed on 7 items in the execution queue

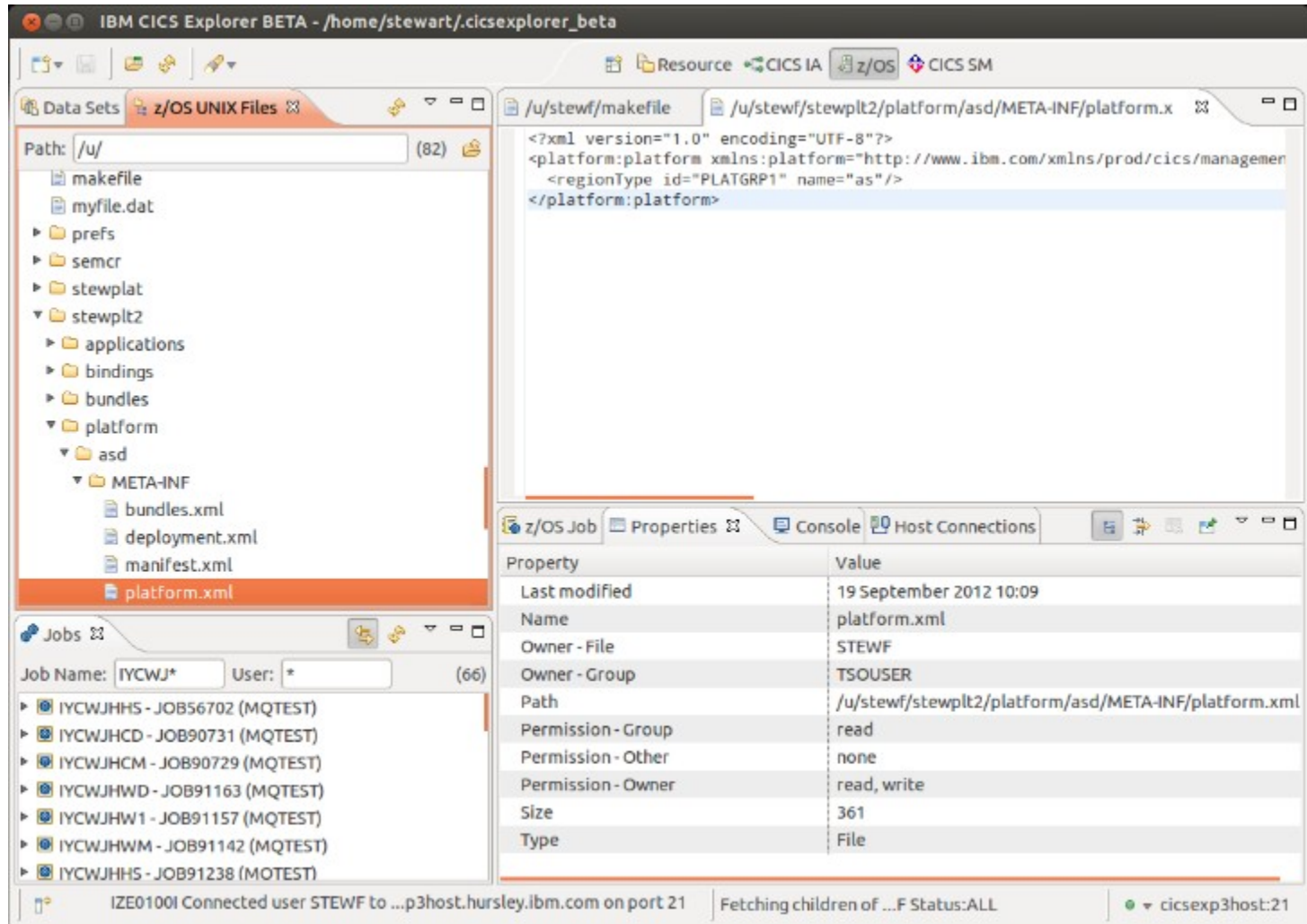
Action Summary

Name: DISABLE  
Parameters: N/A

- CEESRABS
- CEESRATH
- CEESRATN
- CEESRCJG
- CEESRCOS
- CEESRCSH
- CEESRDMB

Cancel    OK

# z/OS Perspective



The screenshot shows the IBM CICS Explorer BETA interface. The top toolbar includes icons for Data Sets, z/OS UNIX Files, Resource, CICS IA, z/OS, and CICS SM. The main window is divided into several panes:

- Data Sets / z/OS UNIX Files:** A tree view showing the file structure under the path `/u/`. The `platform.xml` file is selected under `platform/asd/META-INF`.
- XML Content:** The content of `platform.xml` is displayed:
 

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<platform:platform xmlns:platform="http://www.ibm.com/xmlns/prod/cics/management"
  <regionType id="PLATGRP1" name="as"/>
</platform:platform>
```
- Jobs:** A list of jobs is shown, including `IYCWJHHS - JOB56702 (MQTEST)` and others.
- Properties:** A table showing the properties of the selected `platform.xml` file:
 

Property	Value
Last modified	19 September 2012 10:09
Name	platform.xml
Owner - File	STEWF
Owner - Group	TSOUSER
Path	/u/stewf/stewplt2/platform/asd/META-INF/platform.xml
Permission - Group	read
Permission - Other	none
Permission - Owner	read, write
Size	361
Type	File

The status bar at the bottom indicates the user is `STEWF` connected to `p3host.hursley.ibm.com` on port 21, and the host is `cicsexp3host:21`.



# Agenda



- CICSplex SM: Start here
- CICSplex SM and CICS Explorer: Enabling Single System Image
- CICSplex SM: Workload Management
  - Principles of WLM
  - Simplified WLM definition with CICS Explorer v5.2
- CICSplex SM: Foundation for CICS Platform and Application Deployment



What's the problem?

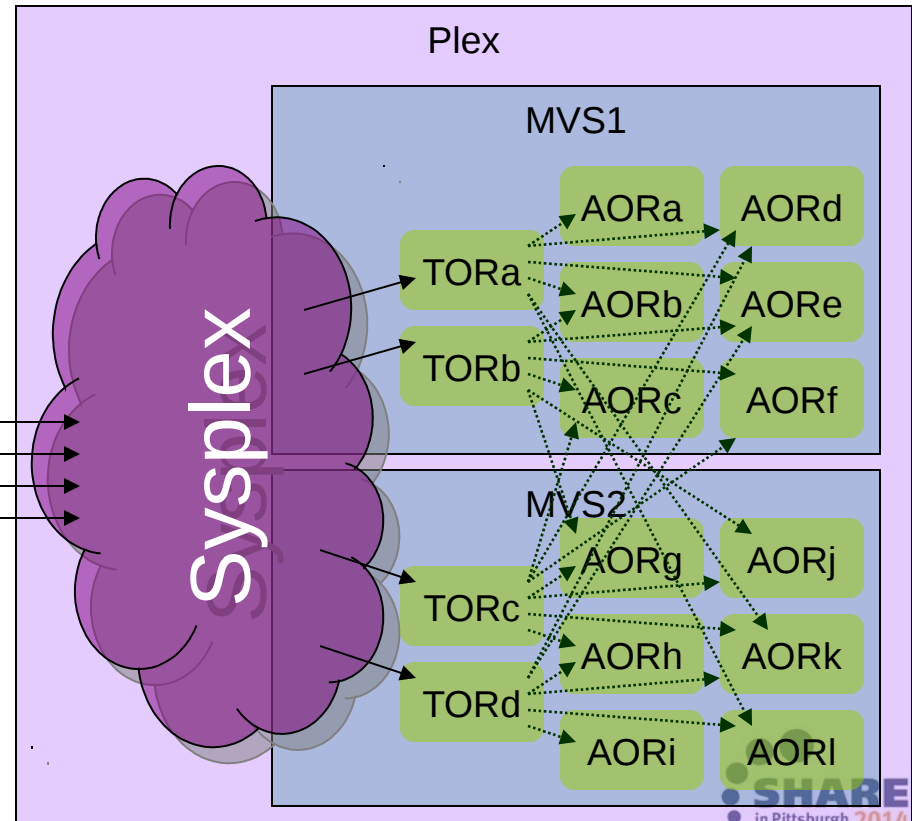
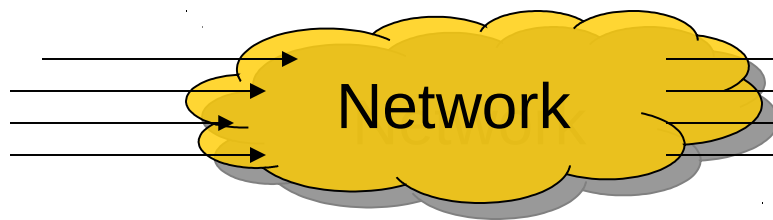
...it all becomes more complicated to manage.

- Definitions managed & maintained locally
- Applications are statically routed
- Which leads to...
  - Availability problems
  - Lower probability of meeting response time goals

# What is the solution?

- Workload Management ...

- In the Network
  - VTAM Generic Resource
  - TCP/IP load balancing
- In the Sysplex
  - z/OS Workload Manager
- In CICS sub-system
  - CICSplex SM Workload Management

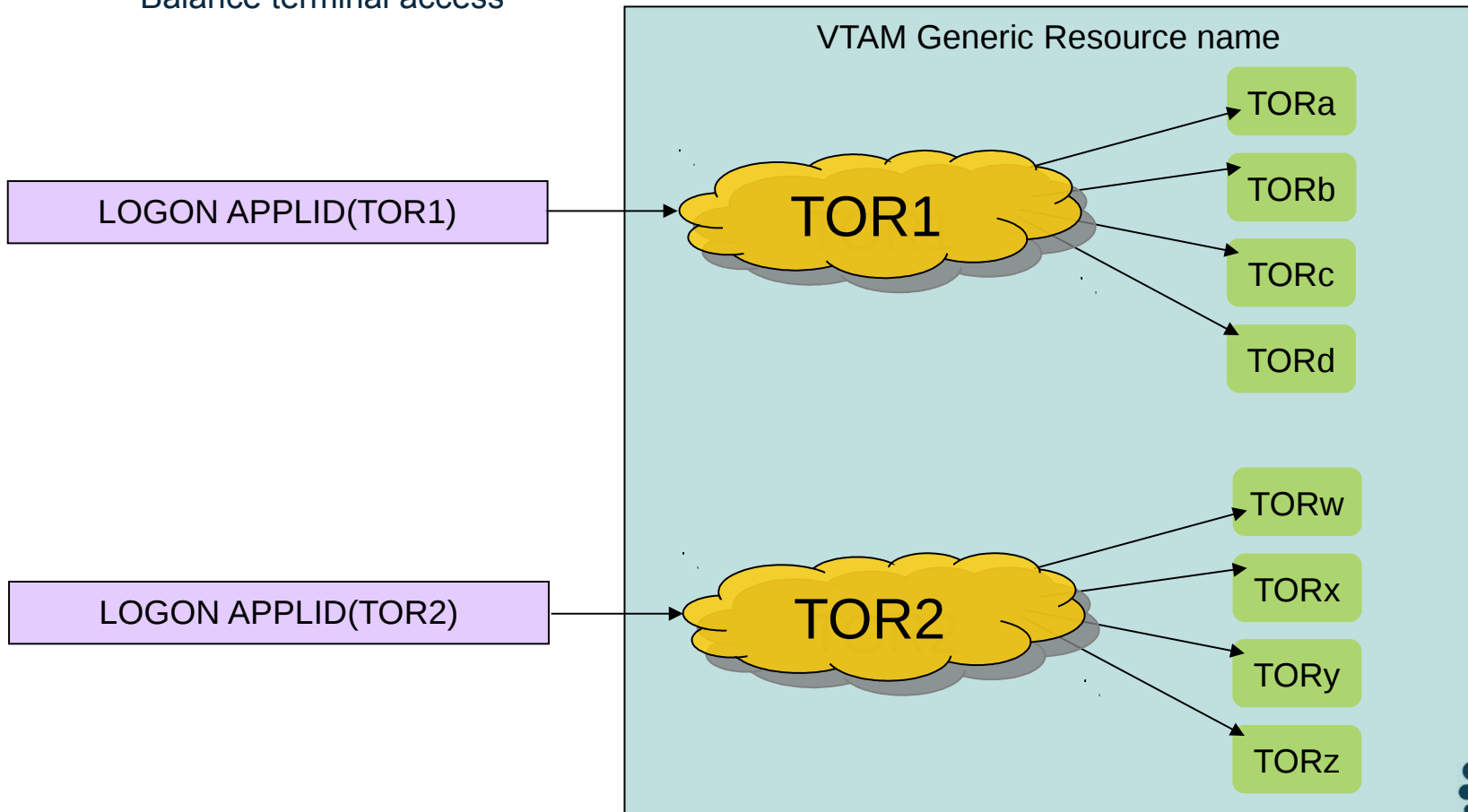


## Workload management in the network

- TCP/IP balancing (balance web-services and CICS WEB clients)
  - Sysplex Distributor
    - Sysplex Distributor provides balancing of IP packets across multiple IP stacks.
  - Virtual IP Addressing (VIPA)
    - Dynamic VIPA provides non-disruptive rerouting around a failing network adapter.
  - DNS approach
    - DNS connection optimization, balances IP connections in a z/OS Sysplex IP domain. This is based on feedback from MVS™ WLM about the health of the registered applications. It is still supported for CICS use.
  - Port Sharing
    - TCP/IP port sharing provides a simple way of spreading HTTP requests over a group of CICS router regions running in the same z/OS image.

## Workload management in the network

- VTAM Generic Resource
  - Balance terminal access



## Workload management in the Sysplex z/OS WLM overview 1

- Works with z/OS System Resource Manager (SRM)
- Dynamically allocates resources
  - Processor Storage, IO Priority
- Service Definition
  - Contains 1 or more Service Policies
- Policy defined in terms of “Goals”, not resources
  - Service Policy
    - One per Sysplex
      - Can switch Policy when required
  - Service Class
    - Describes performance objectives for part of workload
- Report Class

## Workload management in the Sysplex z/OS WLM overview 2

- Goals
  - Response time – How quick to run work
    - Average Response Time
      - E.g. Average transaction response should be 2 seconds
    - Percentile Response Time
      - E.g. 95% of transactions should complete in 3 seconds
  - Velocity
    - How fast work should run as a % of the time it's ready
      - High Value – When work is ready, run it quickly
      - Low Value – When work is ready, can wait to run
    - Used to get CICS active
  - Discretionary – Work with no goals



## Workload management in the Sysplex z/OS WLM overview 3

- Report Class
- Classification Rules
  - How work get classified to Service Class
  - Some Classification Rules available for CICS:
    - SI – SubSystem (Applid)
    - UI – Userid
    - TN –Transaction Name
    - LU – LUName

## Workload management in the Sysplex z/OS WLM overview 4

- Goal Importance
  - Associated with Service Class
  - 1-5 : 1 = Very important, 5 = Not important
- Performance Index (PI)
  - Used to compare Goals
  - How well is work meeting it's Goal
    - $PI = 1$  : Meeting the Goal
    - $PI < 1$  : Over-achiever (beating the goal)
    - $PI > 1$  : Under-achiever (Not meeting the goal)

## z/OS WLM and CICS : 1

- When CICS starts, as job or Started Task,
  - uses JES or STC classifications
  
- Once CICS is active,
  - CICS connects to z/WLM
  - CICS Sub-System related Service Classes are used
  
- At CICS startup, CICS will allocate a Pool of Performance blocks based on MAXTASKS
  - Sampled at regular intervals, e.g. every 250ms
  - Communicates transaction state to z/OS WLM

## z/OS WLM and CICS : 2

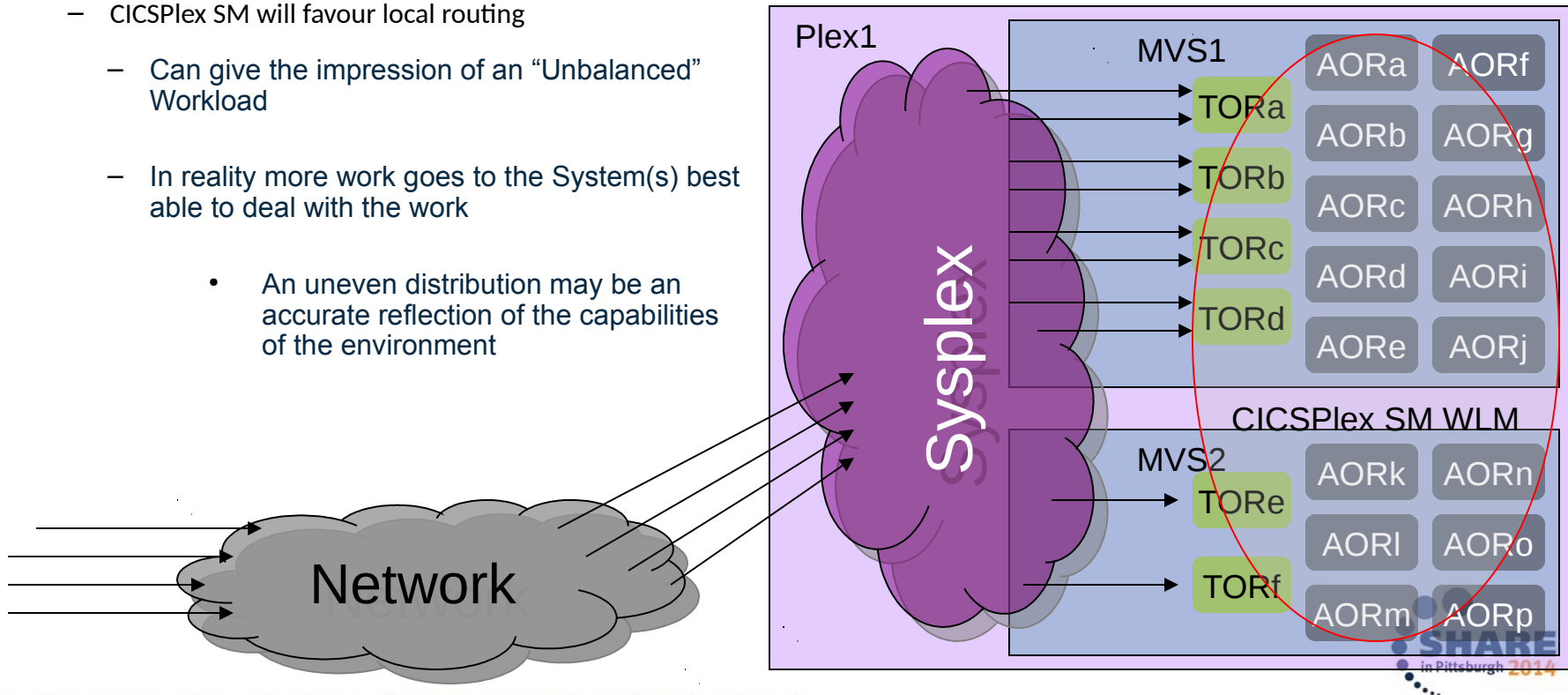
- When a Task starts:
  - Performance block associated with Transaction
  - Transaction Classified (New, or passed via MRO)
  - Set-up Performance Block
- A Task executes
  - Dispatcher updates Performance Block
- Task ends:
  - Report transaction Complete or ...
  - Notify of partial transaction complete (e.g. in AOR via MRO)

## z/OS WLM and CICS : 3

- Using z/OS WLM and CICS
  - Work distributed to the CICS System ‘best’ able to perform the work within the Sysplex
    - Based on z/OS WLM goals
  - z/OS WLM controls which Requesting/Routing (TOR) CICS Regions receive the work to be routed under CICSplex SM criteria
    - Regions in bigger/more powerful LPARs may be favoured
    - CICSplex SM will favour local routing

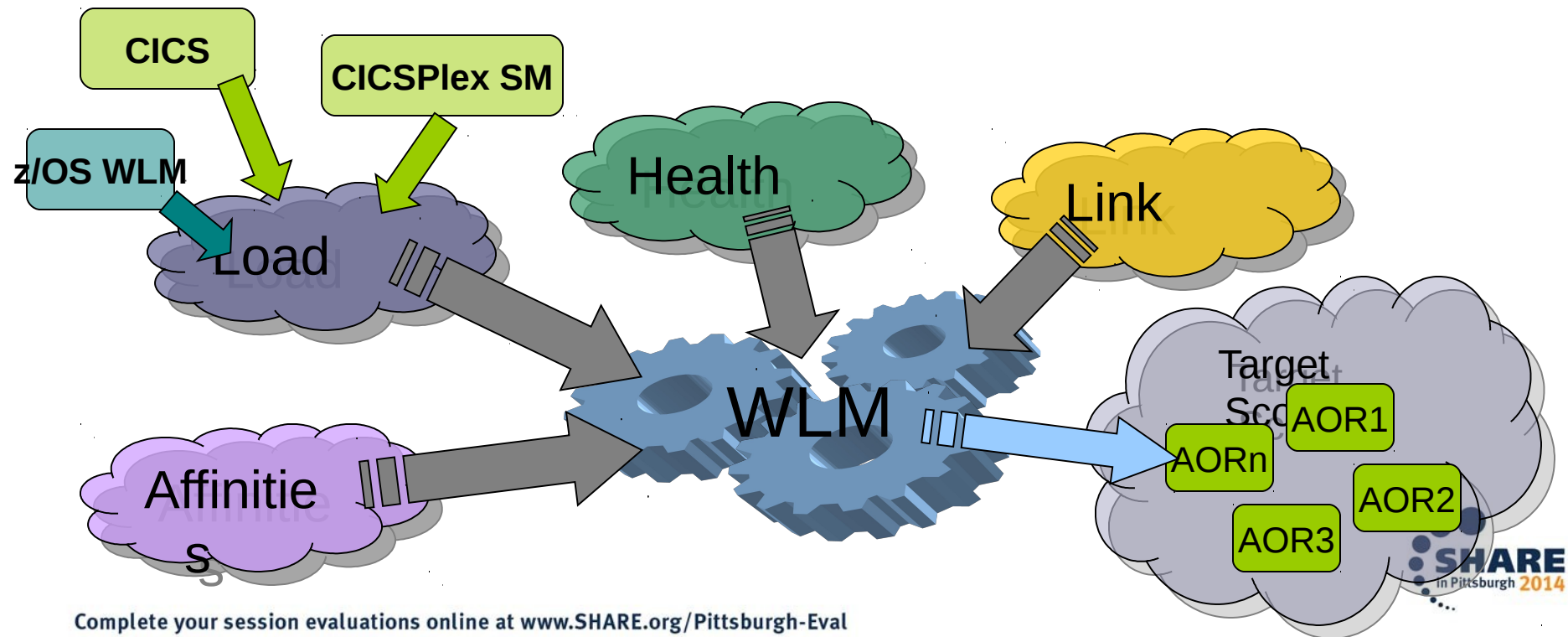
# z/OS WLM: Deciding how the work reaches CICS

- z/OS WLM controls which Requesting (TOR) CICS Regions receive the work
- z/OS WLM can also affect which AOR is chosen when using CICSplex SM
- Once in CICS routed under CICSplex SM criteria
  - Regions in bigger/more powerful LPARs may be favoured
  - CICSplex SM will favour local routing
  - Can give the impression of an “Unbalanced” Workload
  - In reality more work goes to the System(s) best able to deal with the work
    - An uneven distribution may be an accurate reflection of the capabilities of the environment



# zWLM & CICSplex SM Workload Management

- Uses z/OS WLM 'Average Transaction Response Times' to influence the 'LOAD'





What can CICS do?: Dynamic

- Dynamic Routing
  - Transactions associated with a terminal
    - Physically ‘entered’ at a terminal
    - Via an EXEC CICS START TERMID command
  - Dynamic Program Link (DPL)
    - EXEC CICS LINK PROGRAM command

What can CICS do?: Distributed

- Distributed Routing
  - Non-Terminal initiated STARTs (NTIS)
    - i.e. EXEC CICS START with no TERMID
  - CICS BTS
  - Enterprise Java Beans (EJBs) & IIOP
  - Inbound WebServices
    - if modified to make them routable

## How does CICS do this?

- CICS uses ‘user replaceable’ programs
  - One for Dynamic Routing
  - One for Distributed Routing
  - CICS ...
    - ... calls the appropriate program to decide where to route to
    - ... passes the program the DFHDYPDS commarea

# When is the Dynamic Routing Program called?

- Program
  - If defined:
    - DYNAMIC(YES)
  - If not defined:
    - Program not defined and the program is not autoinstalled
  
- Transaction
  - If defined:
    - DYNAMIC(YES)
  - If not defined:
    - SIT - DTRTRAN={CRTX|name}

# When is Distributed Routing Program called?

- Transaction Starts (Non-Terminal Initiated)
  - TRANSACTION defined ROUTABLE(YES)
- CICS BTS
  - PROCESS or ACTIVITY started by RUN ASYNCHRONOUS
  - TRANSACTION associated with PROCESS or ACTIVITY has DYNAMIC(YES) and REMOTESYSTEM is blank
- Inbound WebServices
  - Target program defined DYNAMIC(YES)
  - A program in the PIPELINE changes contents of
    - Container DFHWS-USERID
    - Container DFHWS-TRANID & referenced TRANID defined DYNAMIC(YES)

So what part does CICSplex SM play?

- It supplies a program to act as both...
  - ... the Dynamic Routing Program
    - SIT - DTRPGM
    - SPI - SET SYSTEM DTRPROGRAM
  - ... the Distributed Routing Program
    - In SIT - DSRTPGM
    - SPI - SET SYSTEM DSRTPROGRAM
- ***EYU9XLOP***

# What does CICSplex SM do when it's called ?

- Once called...
  - CICSplex SM Workload Management facilities create a list of suitable, candidate, target CICS Regions, based on:
    - the transaction
    - the terminal id, luname, user id, or process type.
  - Note:
    - CICSplex SM does not do the routing,
    - CICS does
  - The list of candidate Target Regions is based upon the Workload to which the Requesting/Routing Region belongs.

What model does it use?

- The CICSplex SM Workload Management model can be divided into 2 parts:
  - Workload Balancing
    - The process which decides which of the Target Regions is considered to be the most suitable, the ‘best’, candidate to route to, assuming:
      - Work ‘could’ be sent to any of the Target Regions
      - Work does not have an ‘affinity’ with a specific Region
  - Workload Separation
    - How CICSplex SM Workload Management allocates specific work
      - to specific set(s) of Target Regions
      - for specific reasons

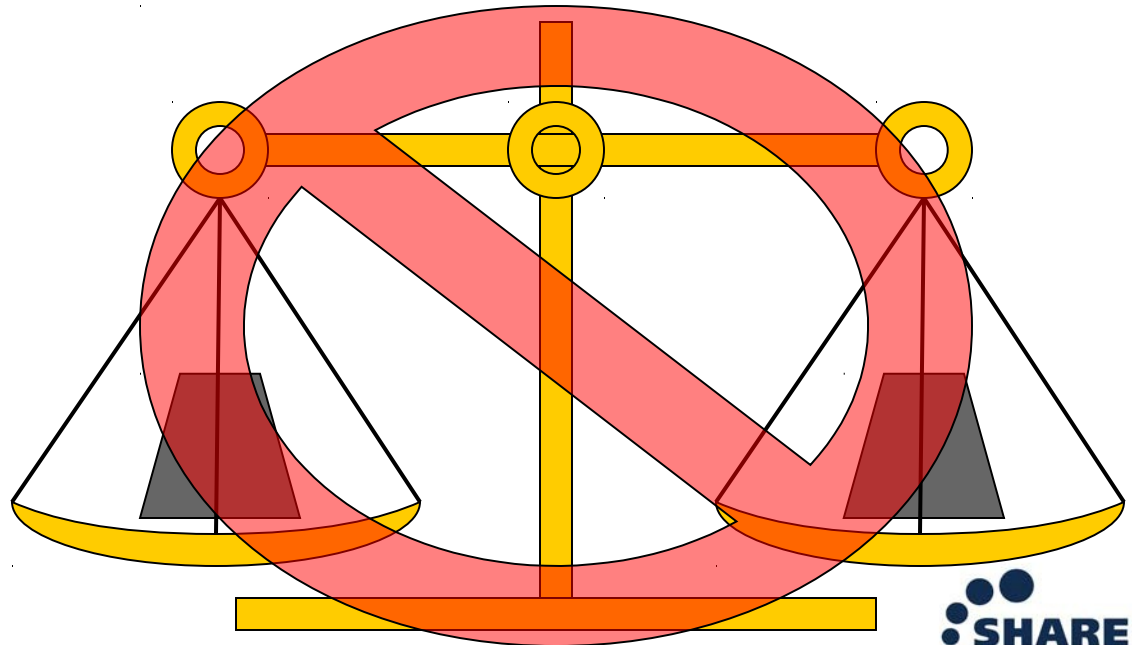


## Workload Balancing 1

- What Workload Balancing is NOT!
  - It is NOT a means of EVENLY distributing work
  - It is NOT a way to CONSISTENTLY distribute work

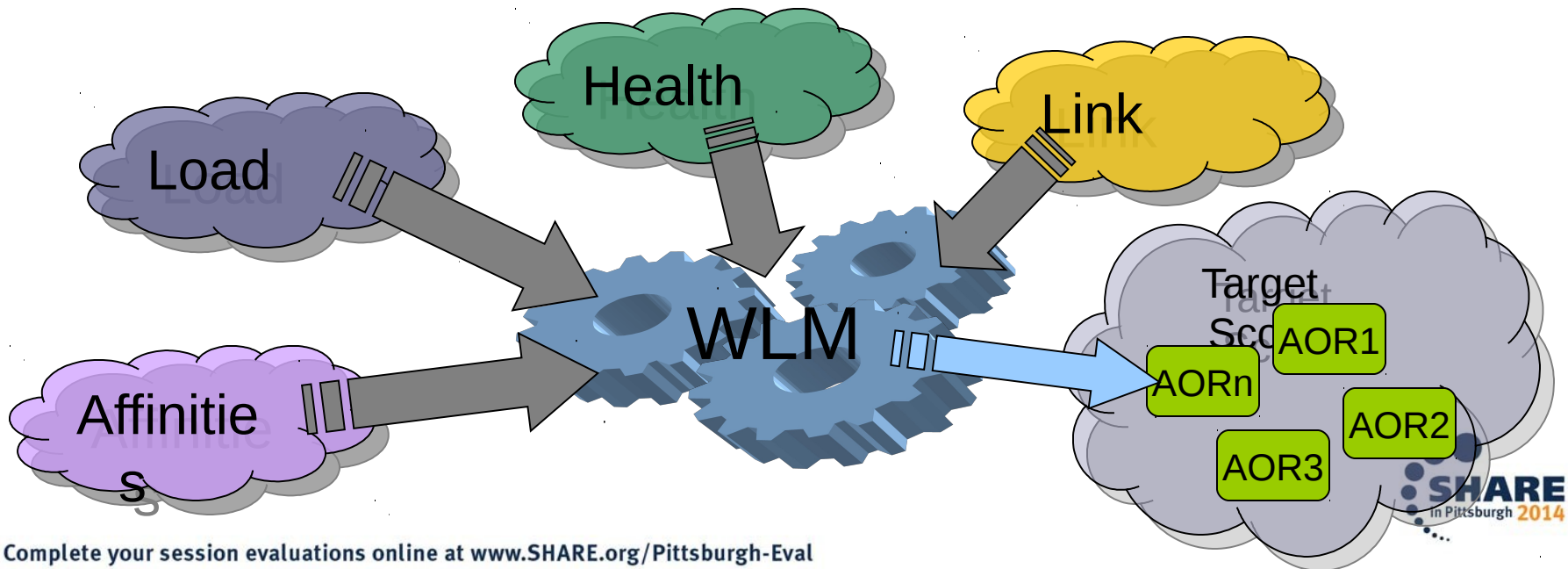
“Balancing” is a misnomer

... so what is it ?

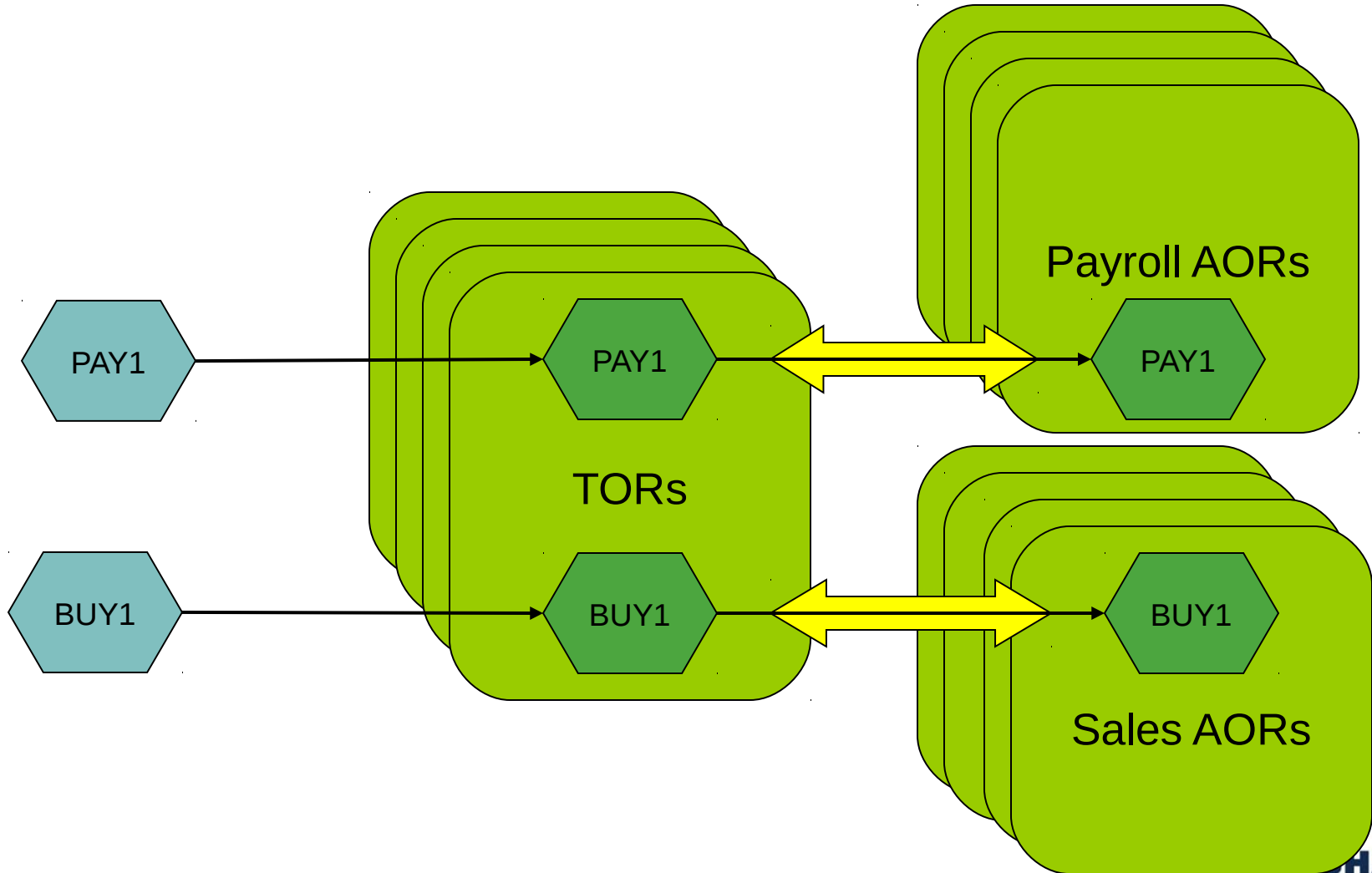


## Workload Balancing 2

- Workload Balancing is ...
  - Providing CICS with the ‘best’ Target Region, at the moment the request was made, from all of the possible candidates.
- How does it know which the ‘best’ is ?

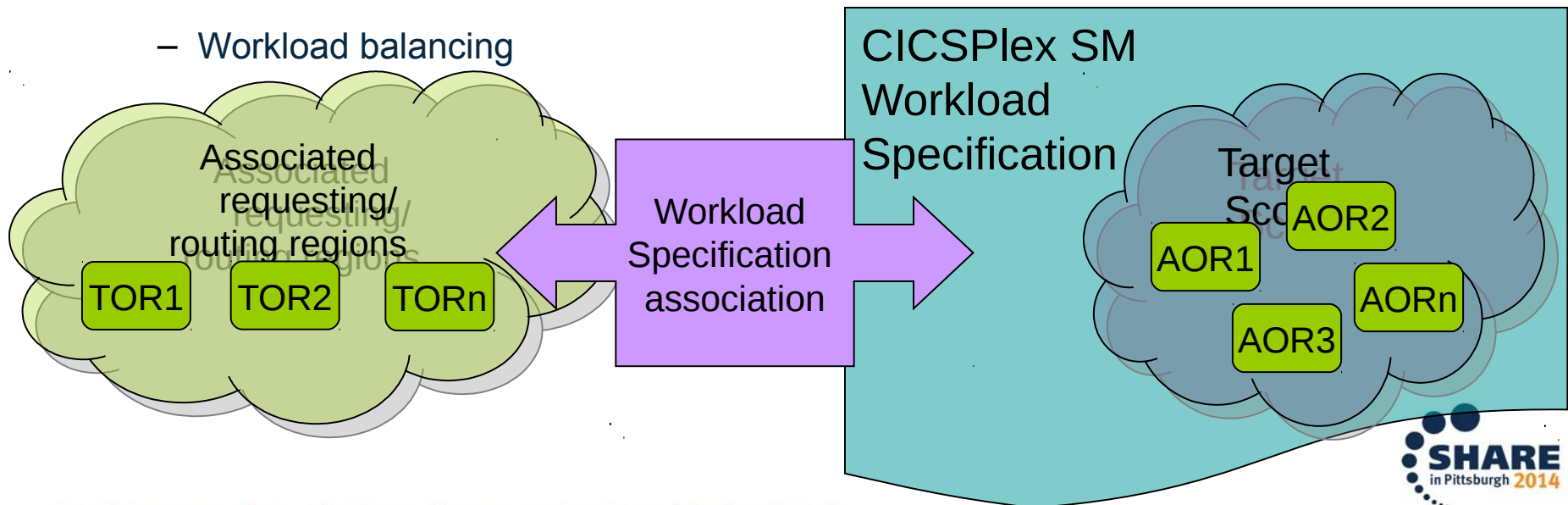


# Workload Separation

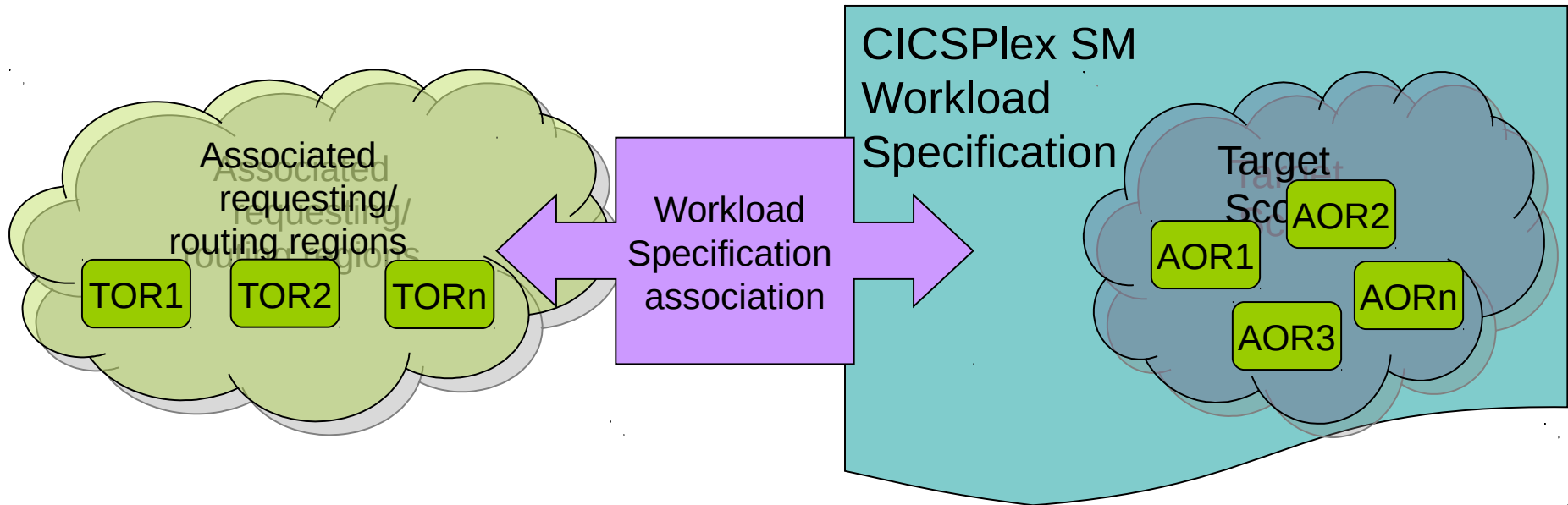


## What is a CICSplex SM Workload?

- At its most basic
  - One or more Requesting/Routing Regions
  - One or more Target Regions
  - One Workload Specification
  - Workload balancing

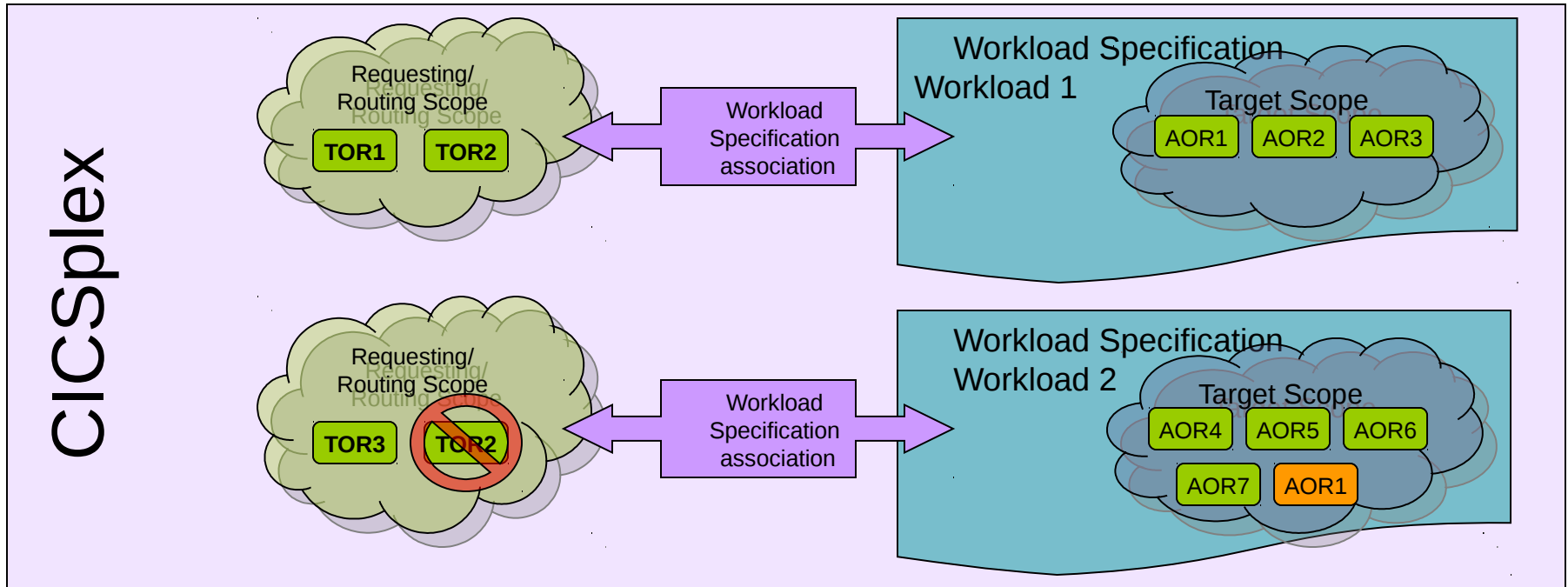


## Workload Balancing – Workload Specification 1



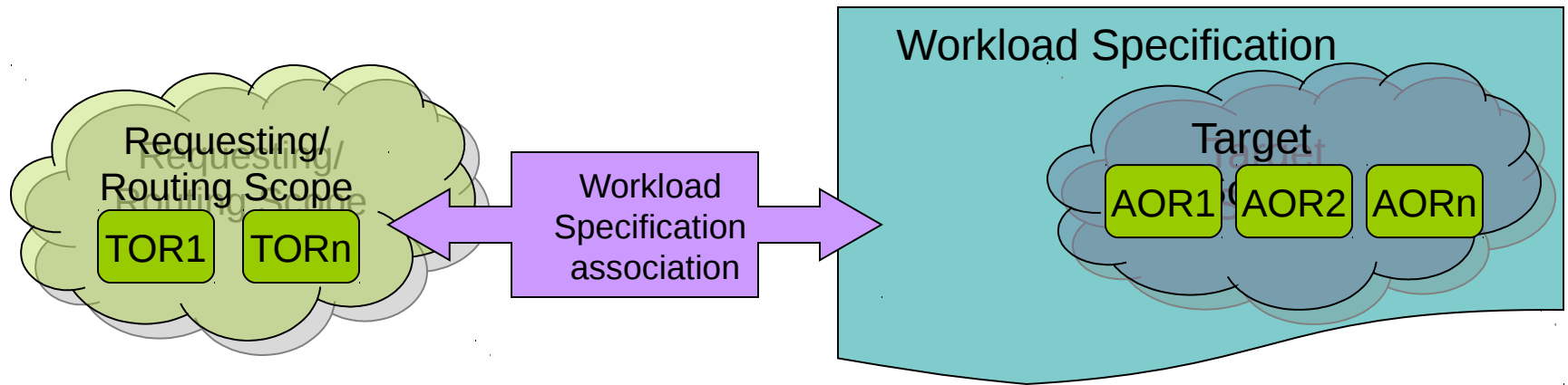
- Workload Specification resource (WLMSPEC) ...
  - Defines a Workload
    - The Workload must be “associated” with ...
      - ... Requesting/Routing Region(s) (Dynamic & Distributed)
      - ... Target Region(s) (Distributed only)

## Workload Balancing – Workload Specification 2



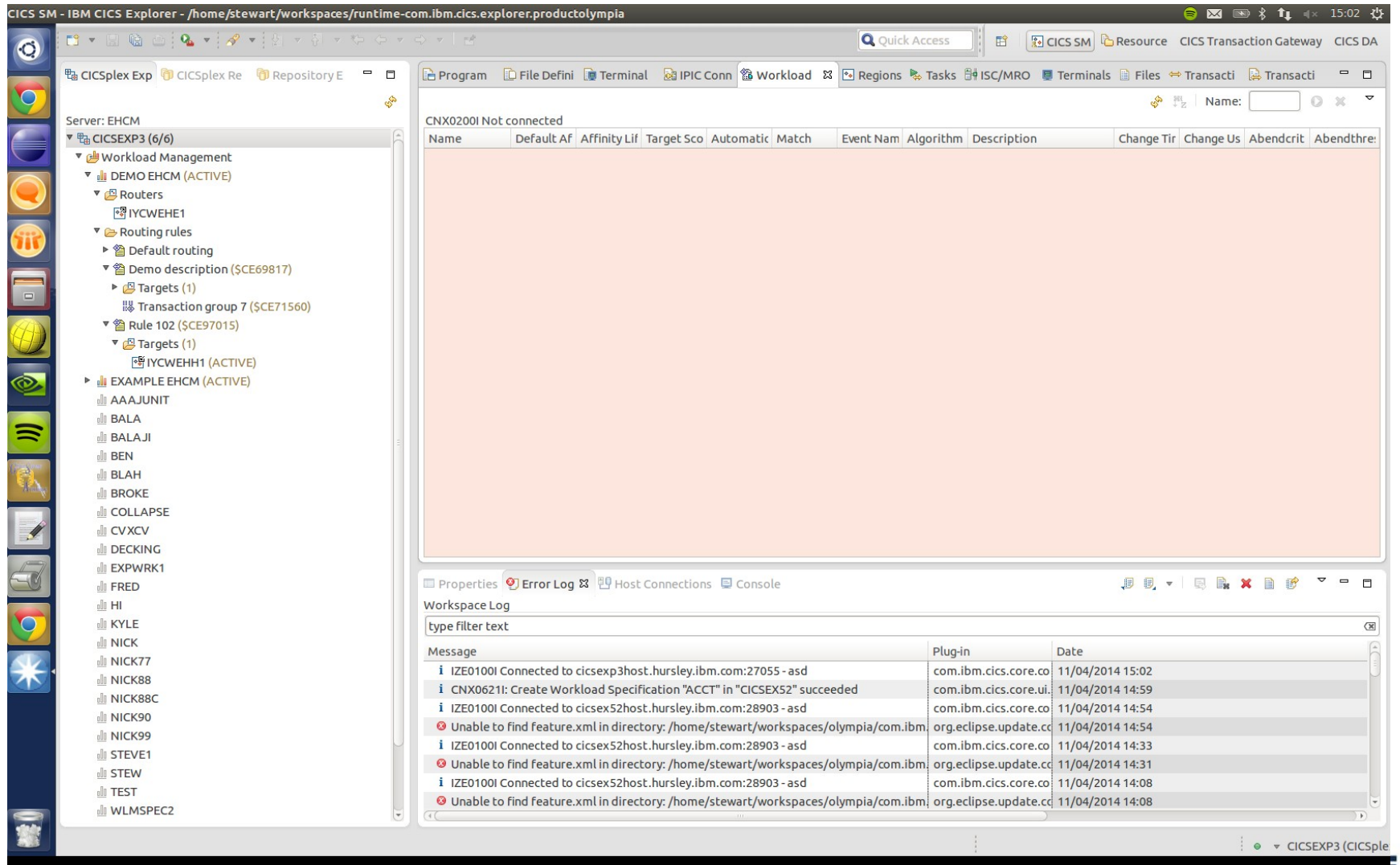
- There can be multiple Workloads within a CICSpIex
- A Region can be a Target for multiple Workloads
- A Region can be BOTH a Requesting and a Target Region
- But... Requesting/Routing Region can ONLY be associated with 1 Workload
- While you might not be using distributed today, don't have your target regions as target scopes in more than one workload

## Workload Balancing – Workload Specification 3



- Associated with your requesting/routing regions
  - systems (CSYSDEF) and system groups (CSYSGRP)
- Specifies default target scope
  - a CICS Region (CSYSDEF)
  - a Group of CICS Regions (CSYSGRP)
- Specifies the algorithm type
  - QUEUE or GOAL

# New Face of WLM



The screenshot displays the IBM CICS Explorer application window. The left-hand pane shows a tree view of the configuration for server EHCM, specifically for the workload management (WLM) section. The right-hand pane shows a table with columns: Name, Default Af, Affinity Lif, Target Sco, Automatic, Match, Event Nam, Algorithm, Description, Change Tir, Change Us, Abendcrit, and Abendthre. Below this table is a Properties window with tabs for Error Log, Host Connections, and Console. The Error Log tab is active, showing a list of messages with columns for Message, Plug-in, and Date.

Message	Plug-in	Date
i IZE0100I Connected to cicsexp3host.hursley.ibm.com:27055 - asd	com.ibm.cics.core.co	11/04/2014 15:02
i CNX0621I: Create Workload Specification "ACCT" in "CICSEX52" succeeded	com.ibm.cics.core.ui	11/04/2014 14:59
i IZE0100I Connected to cicsex52host.hursley.ibm.com:28903 - asd	com.ibm.cics.core.co	11/04/2014 14:54
⊗ Unable to find feature.xml in directory: /home/stewart/workspaces/olympia/com.ibm	org.eclipse.update.cc	11/04/2014 14:54
i IZE0100I Connected to cicsex52host.hursley.ibm.com:28903 - asd	com.ibm.cics.core.co	11/04/2014 14:33
⊗ Unable to find feature.xml in directory: /home/stewart/workspaces/olympia/com.ibm	org.eclipse.update.cc	11/04/2014 14:31
i IZE0100I Connected to cicsex52host.hursley.ibm.com:28903 - asd	com.ibm.cics.core.co	11/04/2014 14:08
⊗ Unable to find feature.xml in directory: /home/stewart/workspaces/olympia/com.ibm	org.eclipse.update.cc	11/04/2014 14:08



## New Face of WI M

**New Workload Specification**

**Create Workload Specification**  
Create a workload specification.

CICSplex:\*

Name:\*

Description:

Target Scope:\*

Primary Criterion:\*

Algorithm:\*

Open editor

**\*Workload Specification (ACCT)**

**ACCT**  
Description: ACCT

**Routers**

- IYCWEIE1
- IYCWEIF1

**Rules**

- Default rule
- > DB2 Custom Routing
- > Rule 2

**Targets**

**Targets:\*** EXPAGRP1 Browse...

Terminal LU name: \*

User ID: \*

BTS process type: \*

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**Transactions** ✕ ?

Name:

Description: DB2 Transactions

Transactions:

Type name to add	<span>Add</span>
\$ > DB2A (START)	<span>Browse...</span>
\$ > DB2B	<span>Remove</span>
\$ > DB2C (END)	

Algorithm: INHERIT ▼

Primary criterion: LUNAME ▼

Status: ACTIVE ▼

Event:

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**Affinities** ?

These transactions establish affinities

Relationship: LUNAME ▼

Overview

Routing Rule: Demo description (\$CE69817) [Close]

### Transactions [Help]

CICSEXP3 ▸ DEMO ▸ \$CE69817 ▾

**Details**

Transaction group status: ACTIVE ▾ Acceptable target region load level: 98  
 Default algorithm: INHERIT ▾ Acceptable abend level: 99  
 Active transaction count: 3 Default affinity relation: LUNAME  
 Primary search criterion: LUNAME Default affinity lifetime: PCONV  
 Automatic affinity creation: NO

**Transactions**

Transaction ID:  [Refresh] [Filter] [Close] ▾

CNX0211I Context: CICSEXP3. Resource: WLMATRAN. 3 records collected at 11-Apr-2014 15:02:40

Transaction ID	Pseudoconversational Mode
AN01	N_A
BNE	N_A
KYLE	N_A

Targets Transactions Affinities Attributes

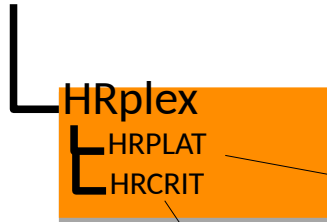
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  - Creating and deploying CICS Platforms
  - Deploying CICS Applications

# CICSplex SM – System Groups Platforms & Region Types

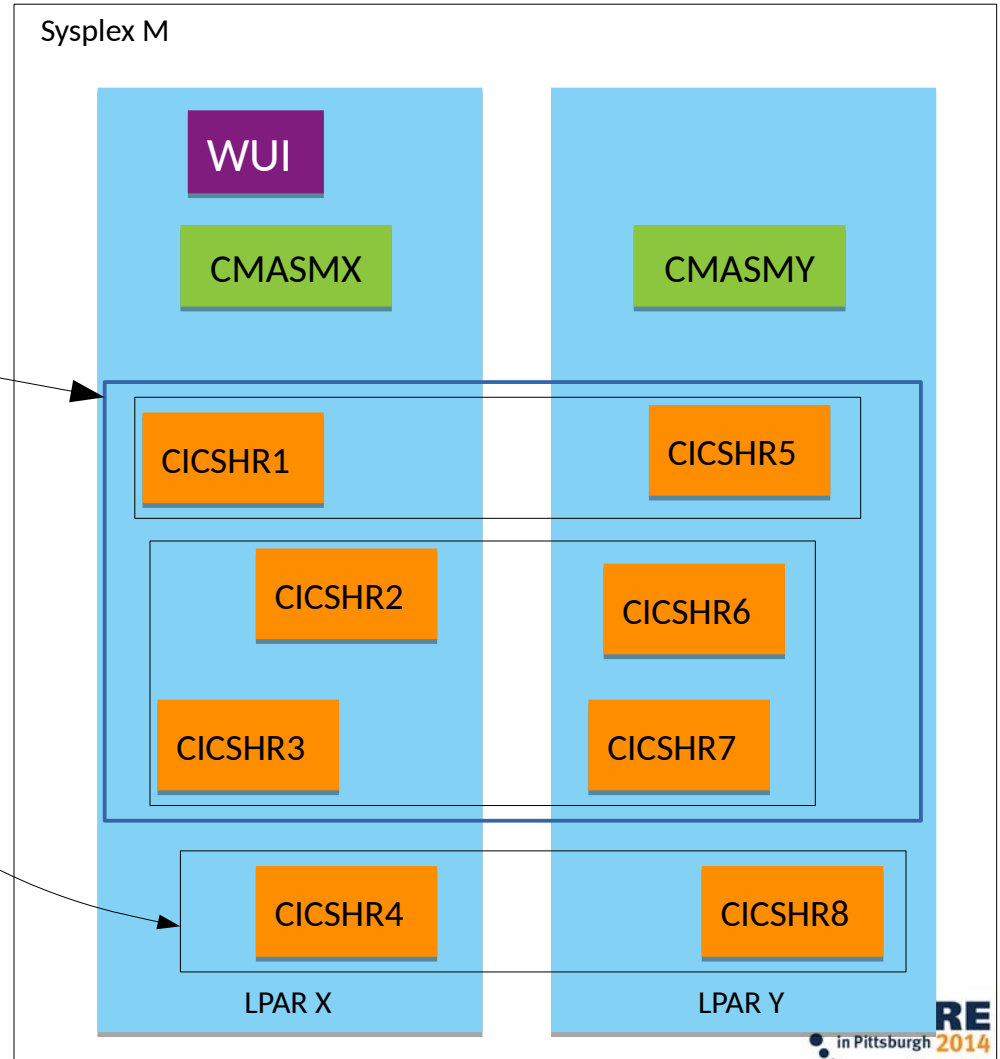
Logical Structure Topology

CICSplex SM



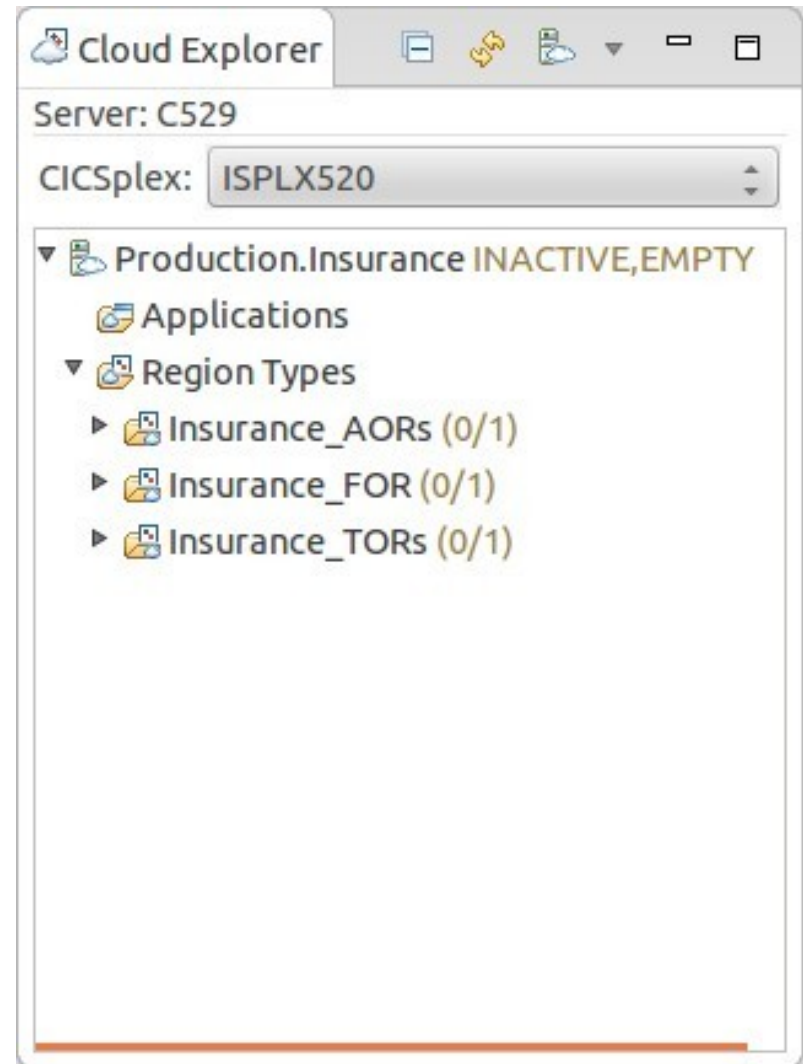
A deployed Platform is implemented as a set of System Groups.

One for all the regions in the Platform, and one for each of the Region Types



# Platforms & Region Type – CICS Explorer Cloud Perspective

A dedicated perspective for Platforms in the CICS Explorer shows both Applications and Region Types which comprise a Platform.



## Summary

- CICSplex SM: Start here
  - ***What are you waiting for?***
- CICSplex SM and CICS Explorer: Enabling Single System Image
  - ***Quick and easy administration and operations***
- CICSplex SM: Workload Management
  - ***Efficient and resilient***
- CICSplex SM: Foundation for CICS Platform and Application Deployment
  - ***Confident, repeatable, agile***