Solutions

4th DIMENSION

4th DIMENSION (4D) is a client-server database system with an open architecture and an integrated application generator. 4D facilitates cooperative data management across multiple hardware host platforms. The 4D Connectivity Kitis ageneral purpose to olbuilt on Apple's Data Access Language that allows simultaneous connections to multiple hosts; connections to multiple DBMS systems on each host; connections to multiple databases for each DBMS system. Multiple asynchronous sessions can be opened simultaneously to any of the following DBMS systems: DB2, Sybase, Ingres, RDB, Oracle, and Informix. The 4DSQL Server, based on Sybase DBLibrary, extends the clients erver metaphor beyond data interchange to include database development. Applications can transparently access and update the Sybase SQL Server via TCP/IP or DEC netrunning on VAX, H-P, SUN, and other hardware. 4DSQL Server provides control over the Sybase development environment from within 4th DIMENSION, reducing the steps required to define and modify Sybase tables, triggers, stored procedures, and other functions.

HostDatabaseAccess

DataAccessLanguage:AConnectivityLanguage

DataAccessLanguage (formerly CL/1) is a standard connectivity language that links personal computer applications to host data. Based on the client/server architecture, DataAccess Language includes software components that run on both personal computer and host computer platforms, providing support for a wide range of operating systems, host database-management systems, and network connections.

DataAccessLanguagegivesMacintoshusersaccesstodatastoredinrelational databasesonVAXorlBMsystems.Macintoshapplicationscandirectlyaccessdata inIngres,Oracle,Informix/SQL,SYBASE,andDigital'sRdb/VMSdatabases,aswell asinDB2andSQL/DSdatabasesonIBMsystems.

DataAccessLanguageArchitecture

Differenttypesofpersonal computer applications, including spreadsheets, data-bases, and word processors, are becoming available with Data Access Language compatibility built into them. Users can transparently access host data without having to switch to a new interface, know where the data resides, or learn the intricacies of the underlying technologies involved in bringing remote data to the desktop.

