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AD/Method

Business applications are becoming more and more complex. Incompatible platforms, different configurations, complicated network topologies and new technologies continue to emerge as the latest answer to all problems. Systems development bogs down in analysis and design which is just the beginning of an often overwhelming task requiring construction, testing and implementation. The complexity of the process makes it difficult to estimate development effort and costs, to provide consistently high quality results and to accelerate the development process.

There seems to be no clear direction, no one answer to the complexity of systems development.

AD/Method® helps simplify today's complex issues and define a clear path to success in the systems development process. AD/Method is a fully automated, accelerated development methodology. It is extremely versatile, offering a variety of different routes through the methodology. AD/Method enables the development process by providing a sound direction and a structured approach to developing world-class business systems.

The methodology brings discipline and structure to the systems development process. Yet, AD/Method is unique. While using an engineering approach, the methodology offers a great deal of flexibility in an automated platform. More importantly, it allows for full customization to meet the unique requirements of each development project.

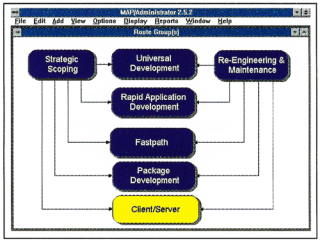
MULTI-PATHING FLEXIBILITY

Since no two projects are the same, AD/Method offers flexibility for a variety of projects and constraints by providing many different routes through the methodology. In addition to Strategic Scoping, the versatility of these routes include:

Client/Server is a premier, full life-cycle route for developing small-scale to enterprise-wide client/server applications requiring distribution models to meet system requirements. This route should be used when high risk, high quality multi-platform systems are involved and a non-waterfall or spiral approach is essential.

Full life-cycle is used for developing small-scale to enterprise-wide applications that do not require distribution models to meet system requirements. This route is used when developing high risk, high quality single platform systems.

Fastpath provides a systems development strategy where the absolute minimum set of activities are required.



AD/Method offers the flexibility to start development projects throughout the methodology. Route groups include several routes to offer more multi-pathing flexibility.

Rapid Application Development (RAD) is used when rapid requirements gathering and development are necessary and the immediate use of prototyping and simulation techniques will be useful. Joint Requirements Planning (JRP) and Joint Application Design (JAD) techniques are employed throughout this life-cycle.

Package Selection and Integration incorporates the steps necessary to evaluate, select, integrate and test software packages. This route should be used when integrating custom-built software or databases with a commercial package.

Reengineering and Maintenance routes define strategies for systems originally developed using AD/Method life-cycles. Two of the activities, Reengineer