



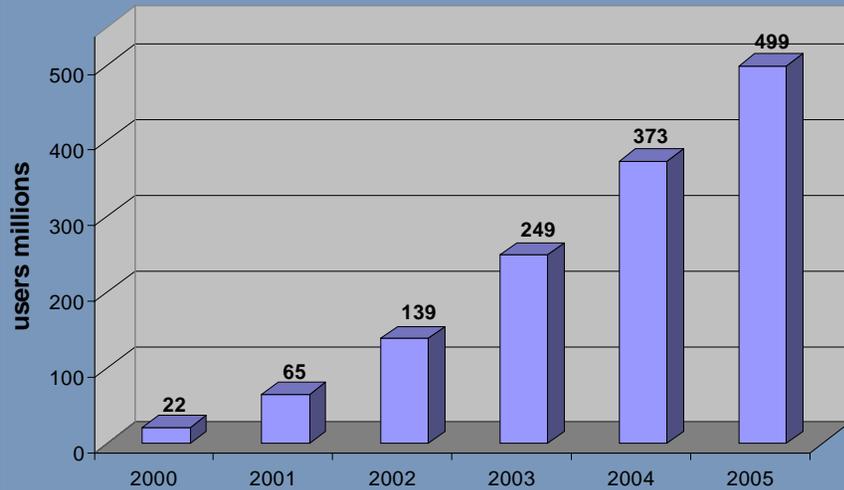
# Protecting your Mobile Infrastructure

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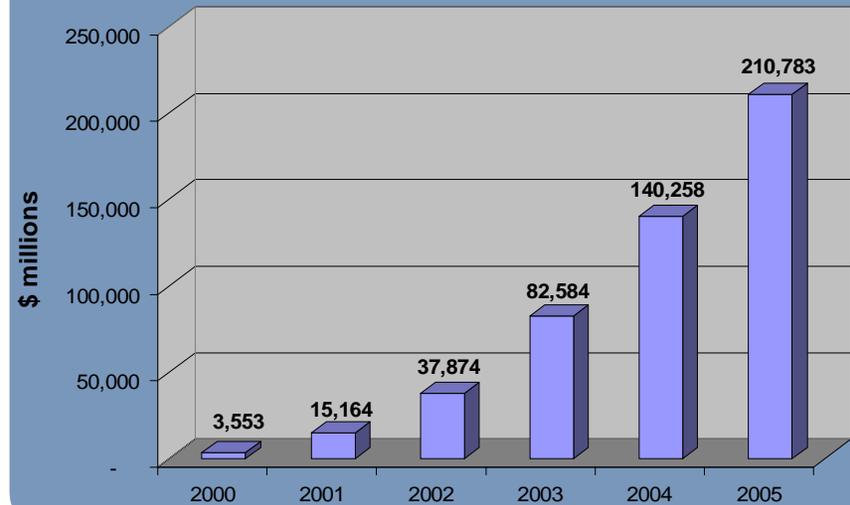
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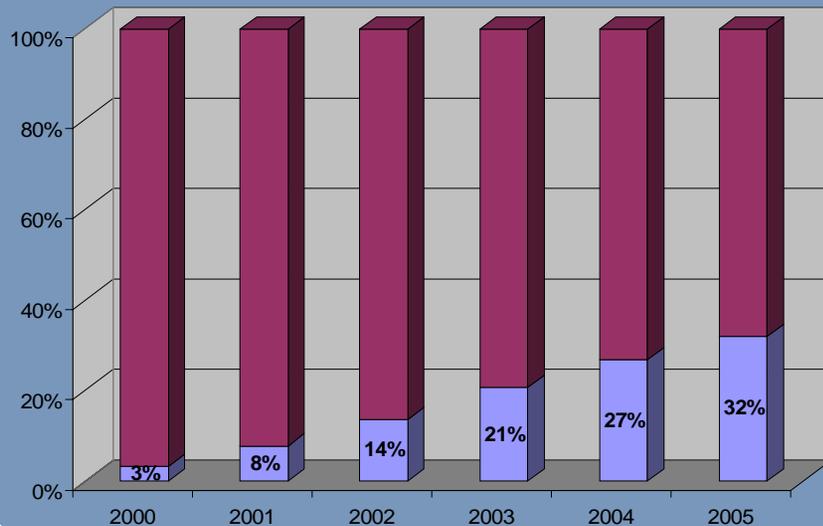
**worldwide m-commerce users**



**worldwide m-commerce revenue**



**m-commerce users as % of total mobile subscribers**

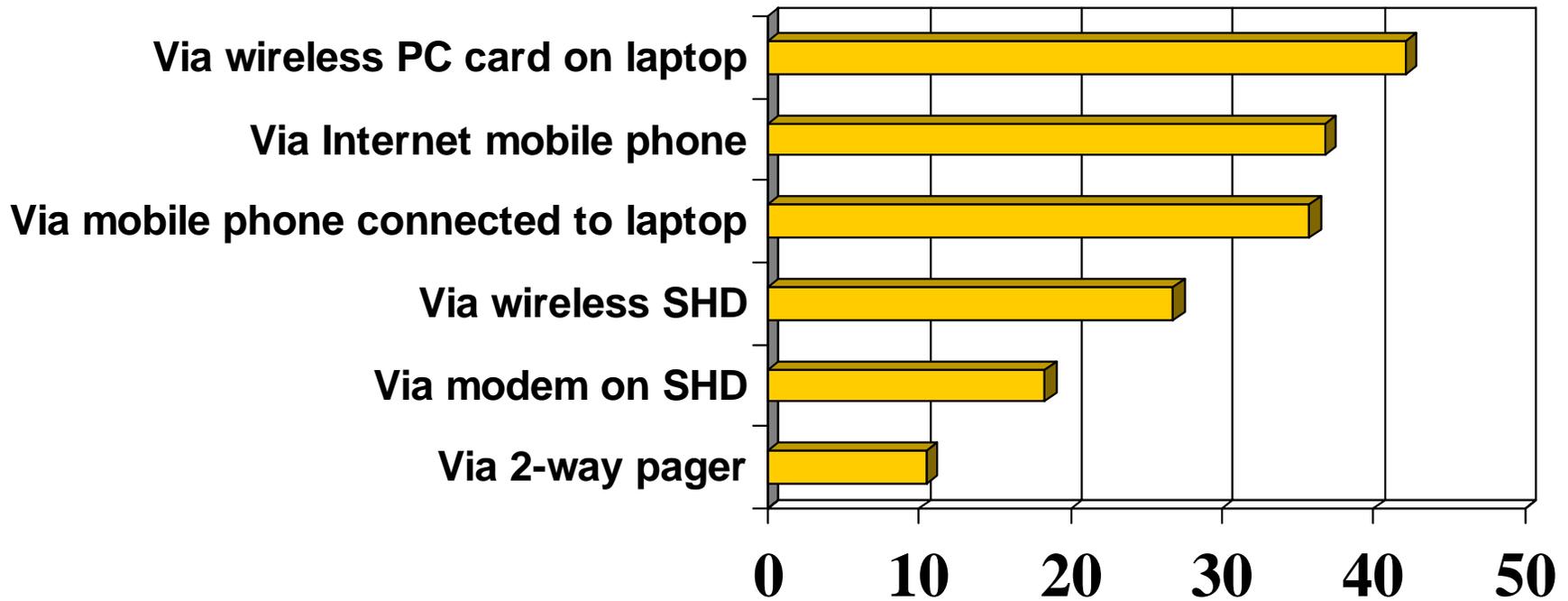


by the year 2003 there will be 250 million m-commerce users, accounting for 21% of the total worldwide mobile subscribers, generating \$83 billion in m-commerce revenues



# Mobile Market Trends

How do users access the mobile Internet?



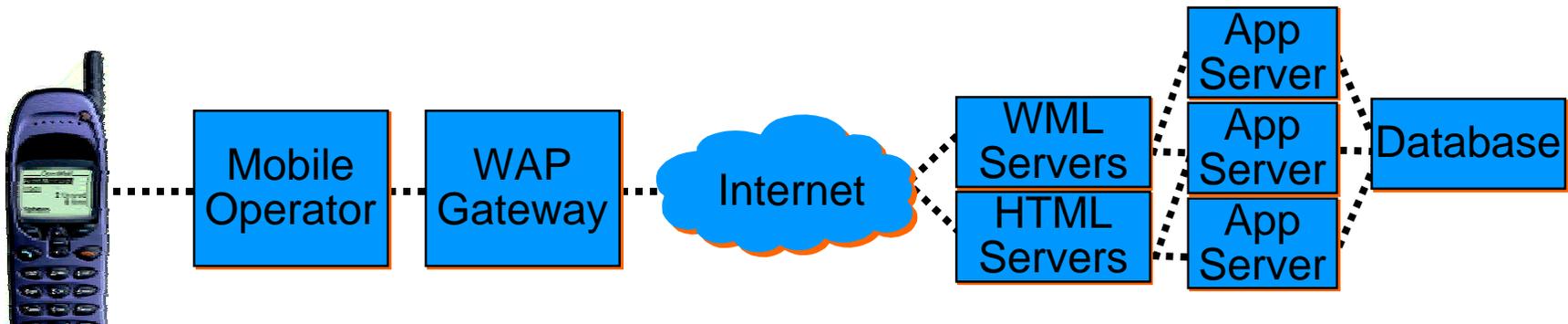


## Security Issues With WAP

- Encryption/Data protection
  - Transactions are in clear text on WAP gateway
- Authentication
  - Phones are easy to lose/steal
  - Input difficult for complex names and passwords
  - Difficult interface for multi-form authentication



# Wireless Application Protocol



- **WAP is an end-to-end application protocol that:**
  - Allows mobile terminals to communicate with server applications
  - Guarantees interoperability among different terminals and servers
  - Implements end-to-end security between WAP client and WAP gateway



# WAP Application Environment

- WAP Gateway allows a WAE useragent (eg. a browser) navigate internet/intranet content
- Acts as a proxy to an origin server
- Runs WAP over wireless bearers, both connection-mode (e.g. CSD)

- Origin servers provide application services and content
- Content can be static or dynamic:
  - HTTP servers can act as origin servers
  - Applications can generate and serve content directly

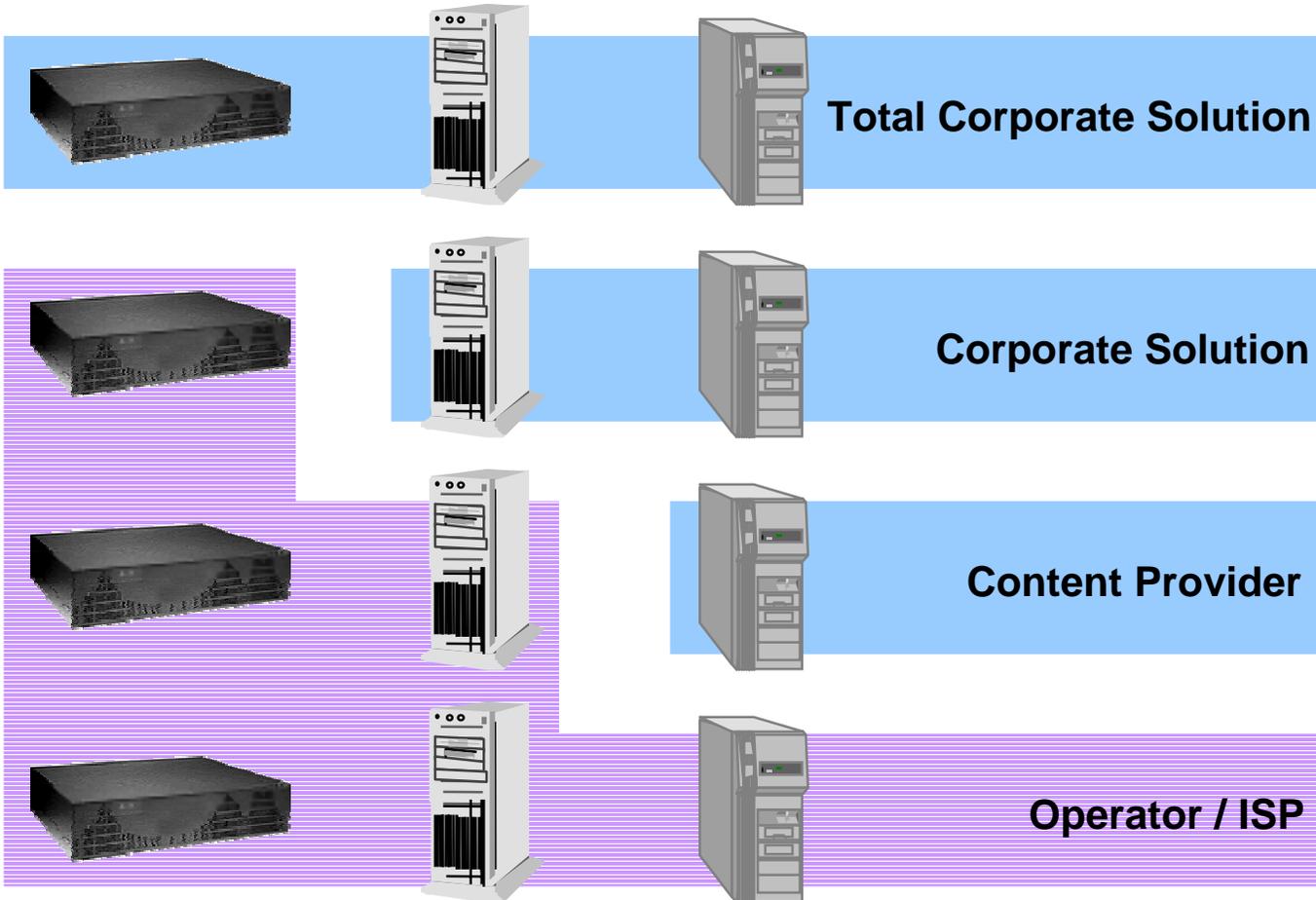
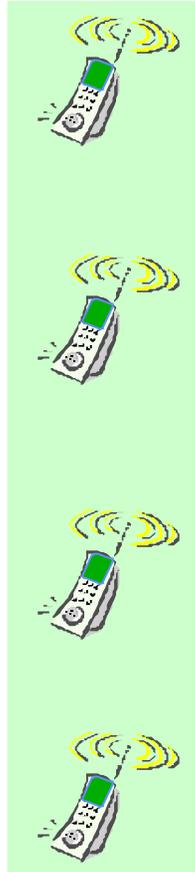
translation from

Application Environment (WAE)  
of domain-specific user  
architectures and

environments



# W AP deployment scenarios





## WAP vs. Web

- Technologically WAP is a sibling to WWW
- Both environments are based on browsing concept, i.e. the client requests and loads documents from server
- Similar features are presented in the following table:

<b>Application</b>	WML	WMLS	WTA	HTML	JavaScript
<b>Session</b>	WSP			HTTP	
<b>Transaction</b>	WTP				
<b>Security</b>	WTLS			SSL	
<b>Transport</b>	Bearers			TCP/IP	

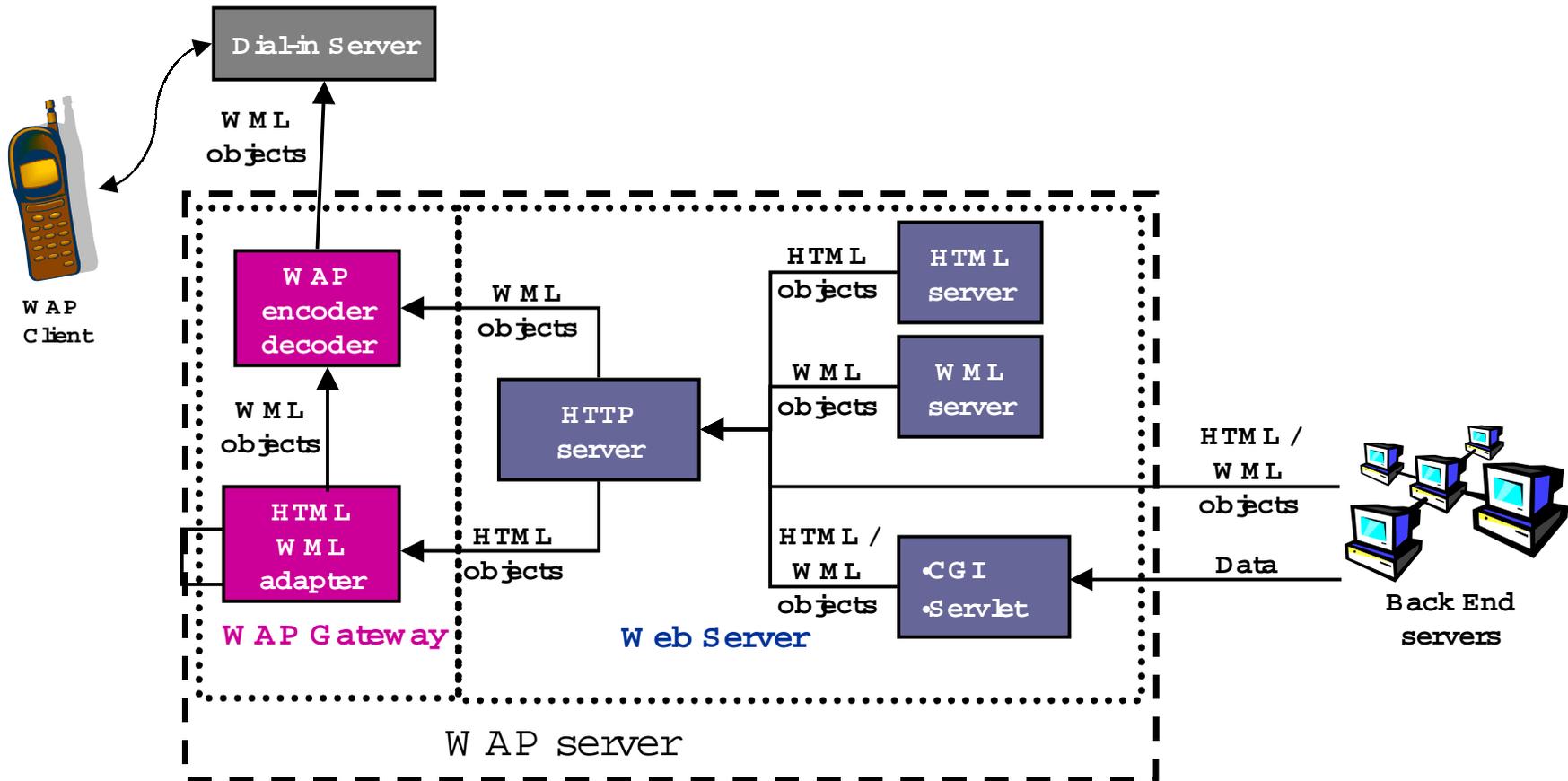


## Wireless Transport Layer Security (W TLS )

- Provides connection security between two applications
- Security services:
  - Confidentiality (encryption)
  - Data integrity (hash, HMAC)
  - Authentication (symmetric and public-key)
- Supports both server and client certificates



# WAP server architecture



- When the WAP gateway and Web server functions are consolidated in one system, it is called WAP server.

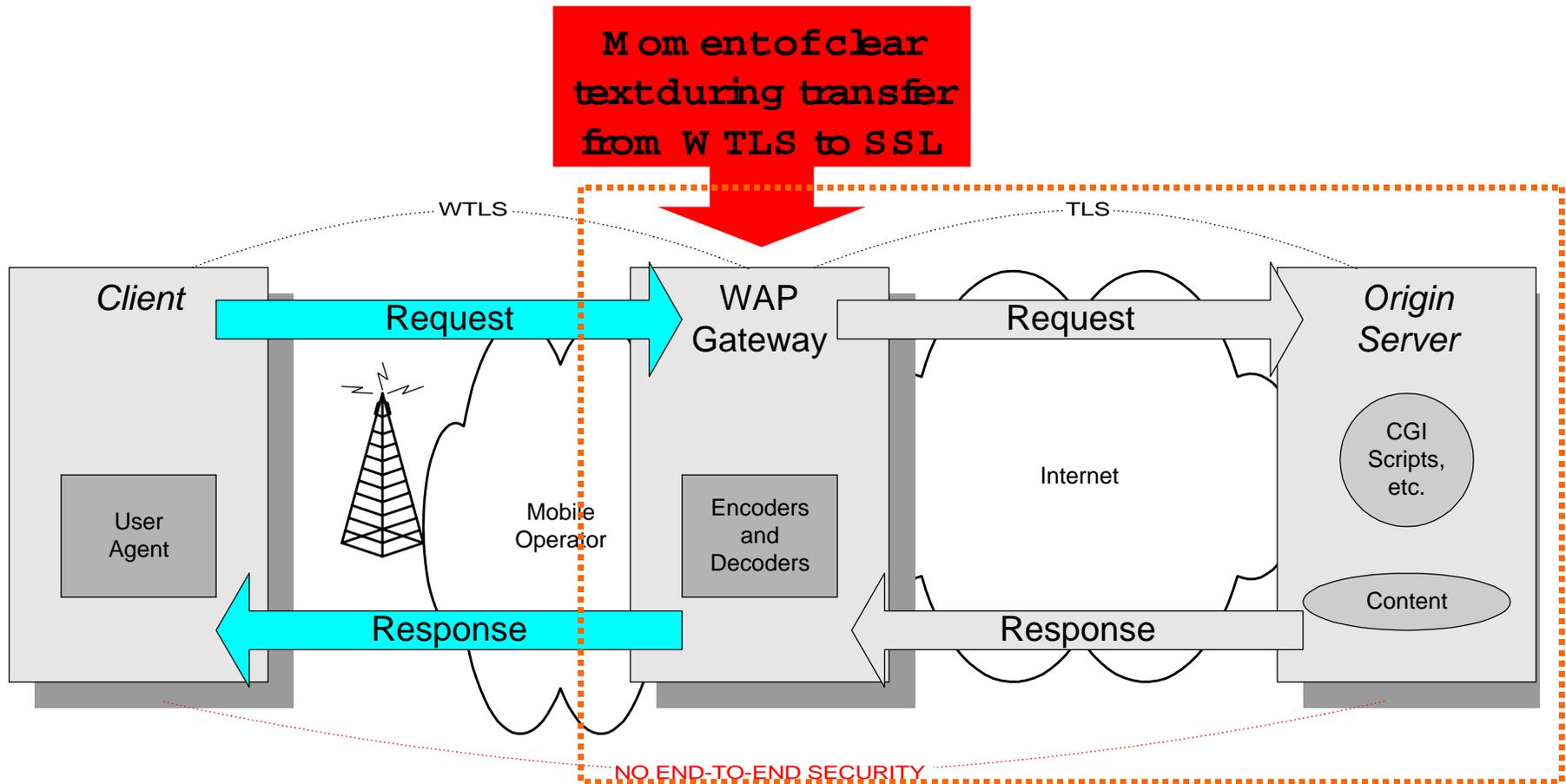


- The WAP server needs to be resistant to attacks.



# Problems with WAP

## End-to-End Security



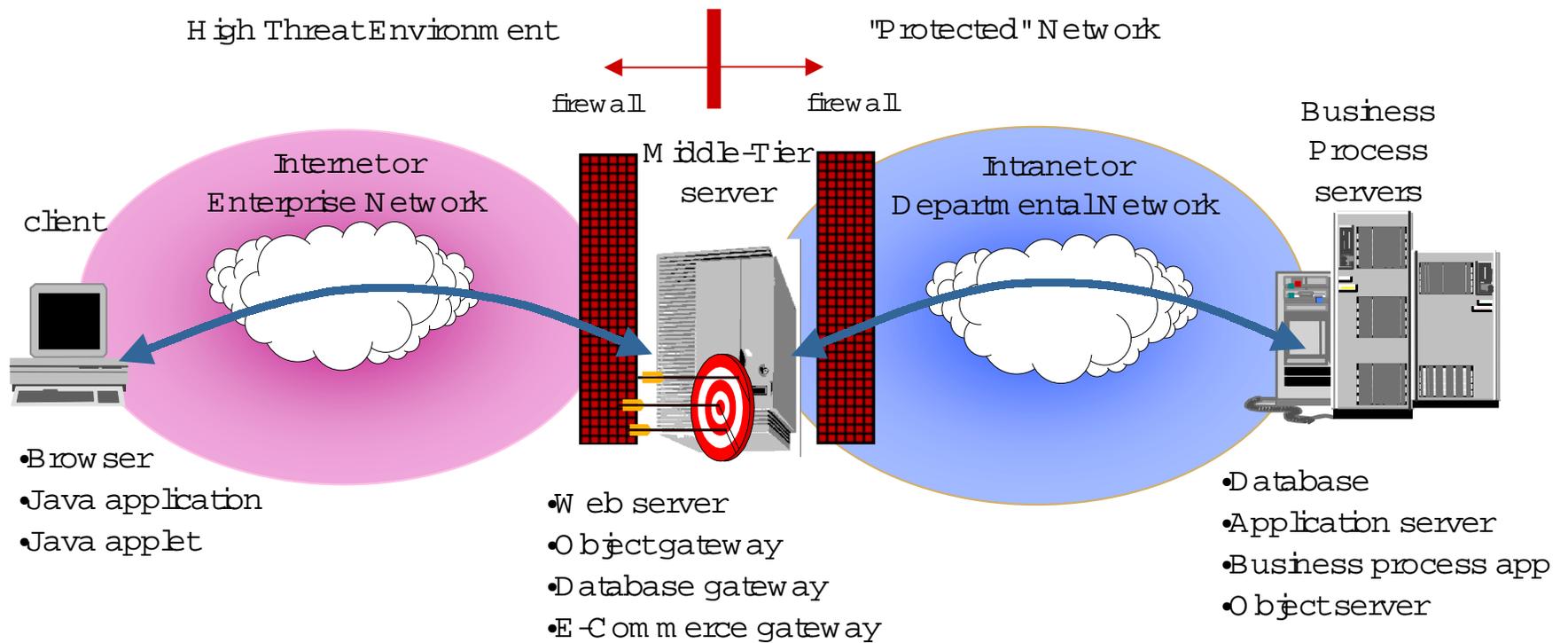


## Are firewalls good enough defense?

- A firewall is designed to regulate information flow, not to run applications
- The entire software base on the firewall is trusted:  
A firewall is a hardened OS and proxy/filter/scanning code
- Putting application code on the firewall violates its design philosophy (small, verifiable)
- A Trusted Run-time Application Gateway complements firewalls that the organization already has in place



# Secure Multitier Application Strategy



- The gateway that provides access to critical business resources is the weak link in the security chain
- Immature software is being rushed to market without adequate testing or security review

## Challenges to firewalls Web-enabling applications

- Firewall protects against:
  - packet modification
  - packet insertion
  - packet disclosure
  - IP spoofing
  - attack "inside" machines

- Firewall challenges:
  - getting "root"
  - trojan horses
  - user spoofing
  - access to services/data

- Immature application technologies rushing to the market
  - Developed in "Internet Time"
  - Inadequate security analysis
  - Inadequate penetration testing
  - Security/functionality flaws discovered "live"

## HP's Implementation of a Secure Mobile Infrastructure

### Secure from the client:

- Wireless PKI
- Soft-tokens (for PDAs)

### Secure the boundary

- Secure WAP servers
- Hardened WAP servers
- Secure server for SP environment

### Secure the content:

- Authorization and access control
- Secure application server



# Secure Web Front-ends

## Web front-ends on trusted OS

- Provides security framework for middle-tier
- Reduces security risk of front-end
- Transparent to applications
- Provides additional layers of security
  - No all powerful user account
  - Applications, files, network interfaces separated
  - Ability to record system events
- Removes/disables unused services (e.g., Mailserver daemon)



## Web front-ends on Off-the-shelf operating systems

- Off the shelf Unix & NT do not provide sufficient risk reduction for Web Front-Ends
  - Difficult to configure securely
  - Potentially dangerous services available/enabled by default
  - Insufficient security protection for applications
  - Configuration errors may expose application data
  - Attacks against services running as "root"



# Application platform architecture

- Secure boundary system concept
- Protects intranet from Internet
- Forbids traditional Unix "root" attacks
- Uses secure OS features to separate applications
  - Protected network interfaces
  - Process and file separation
- Intranet access mediated by cross-boundary IPC
- "root" capability removed from OS
- Provides comprehensive auditing capabilities
- Includes system integrity checking mechanisms
- Provides status feedback for load balancing

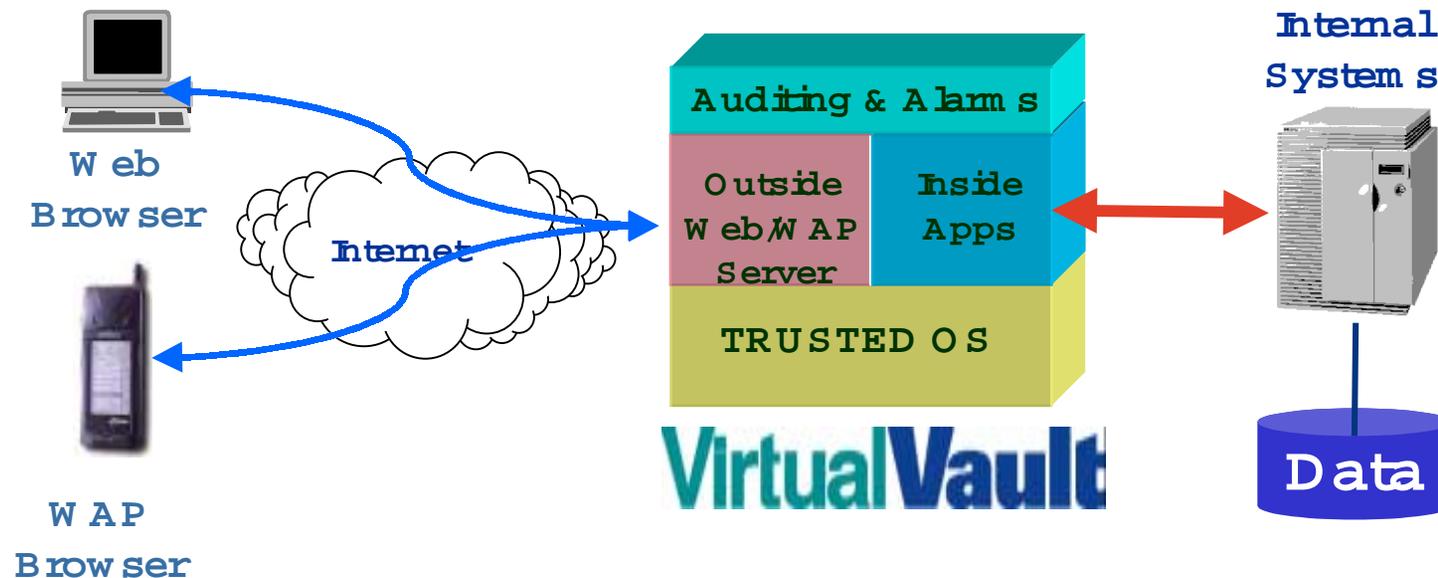
# Præsidium Virtual Vault

Application protection

The highest level of  
boundary security  
available today

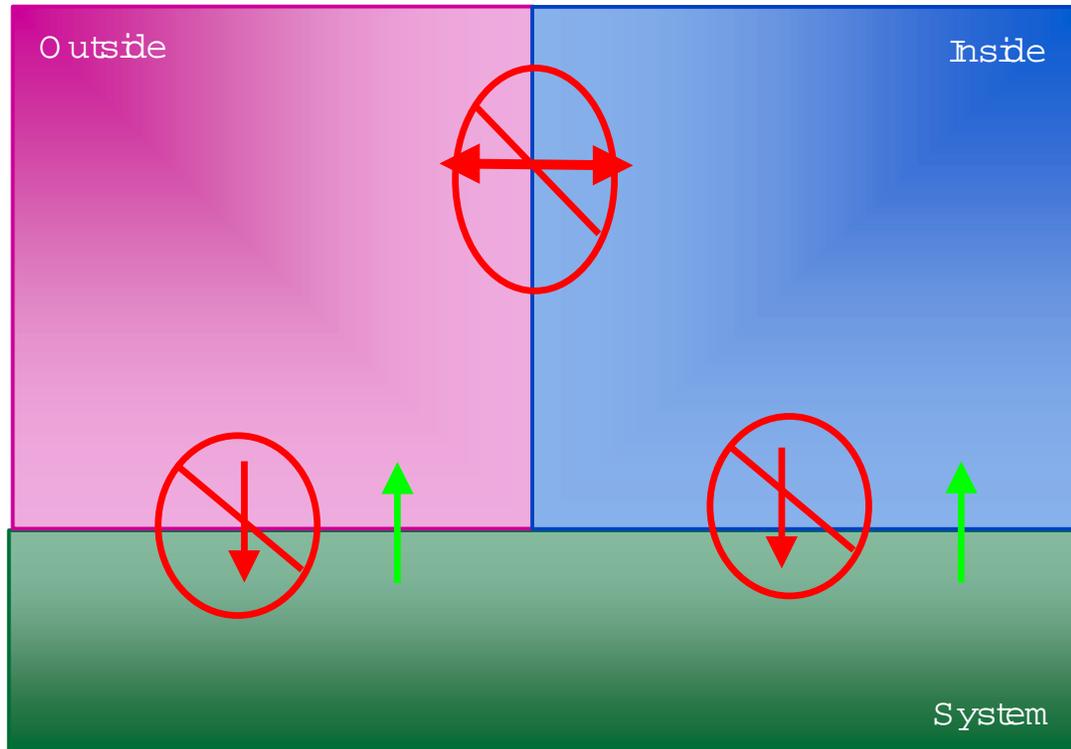
Ensures applications and  
customer data are not open for  
attacks over the Internet...

- Secure Web-Server platform
- Users stay on the outside, applications are secure on the inside
- Safe combination of Web, WAP, and Middleware are on one box





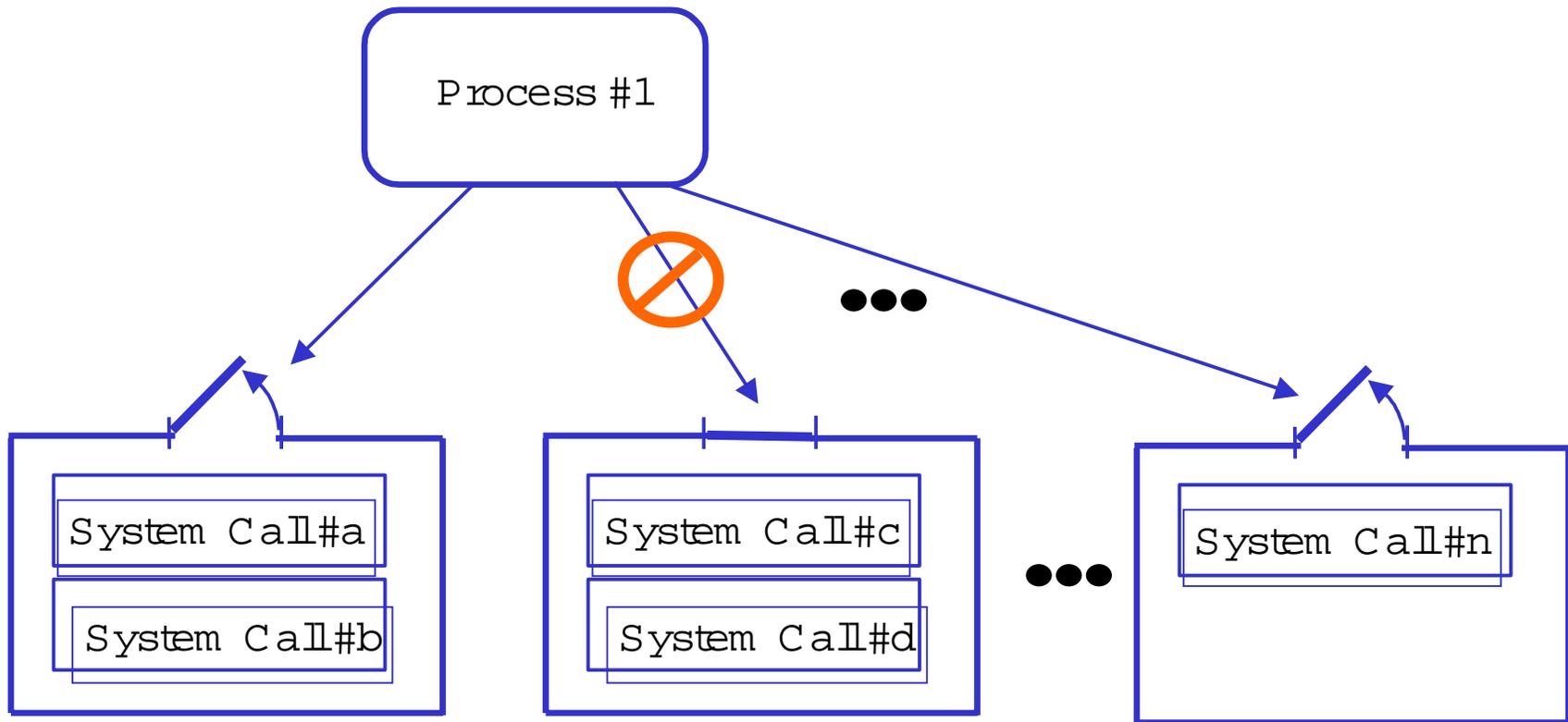
# Separation of information



No information flows between Inside and Outside  
Both Inside and Outside can read information at System, but can not write it.



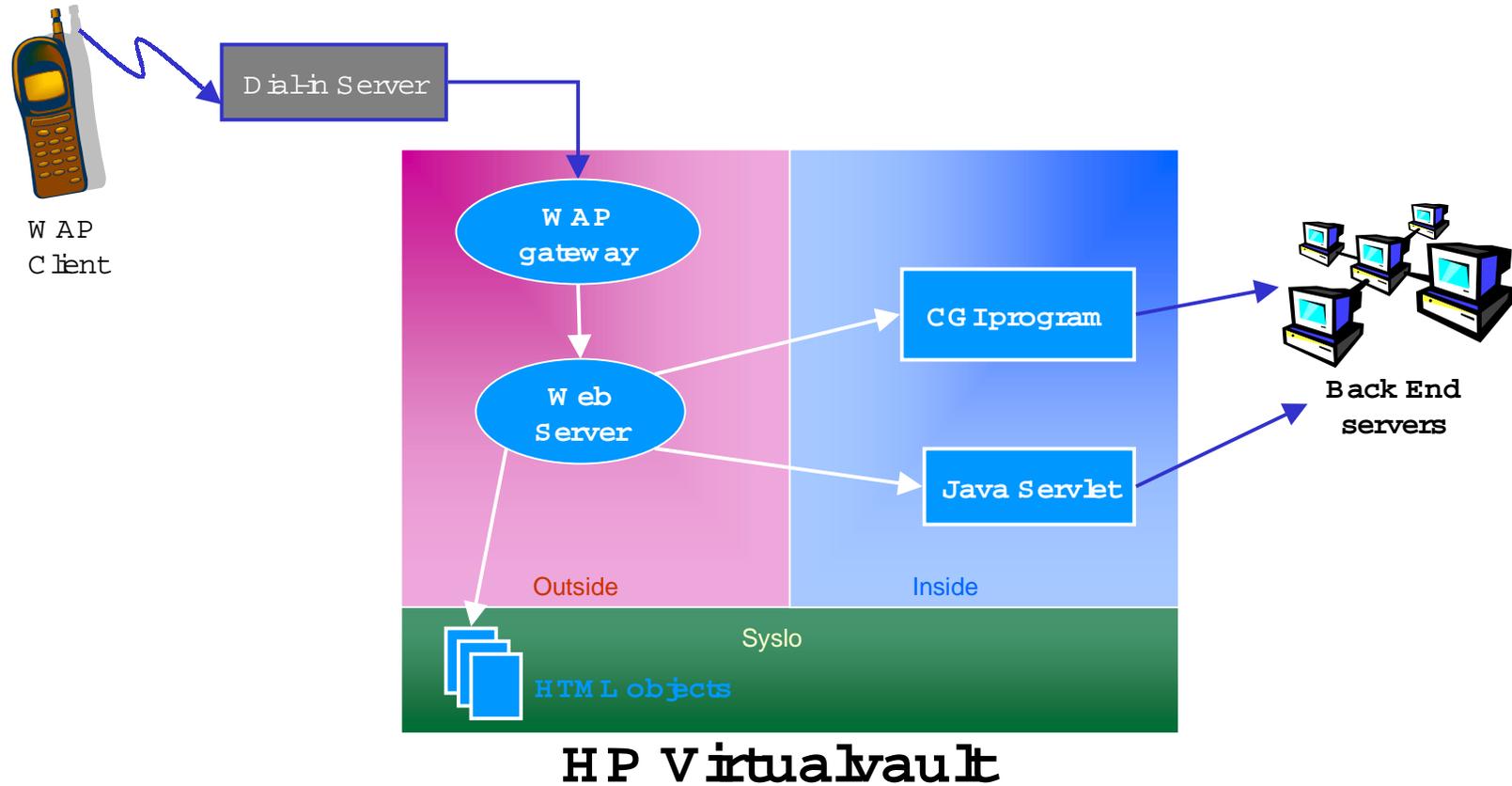
# System call restriction



Access from each process to each system call is mediated by system call privileges

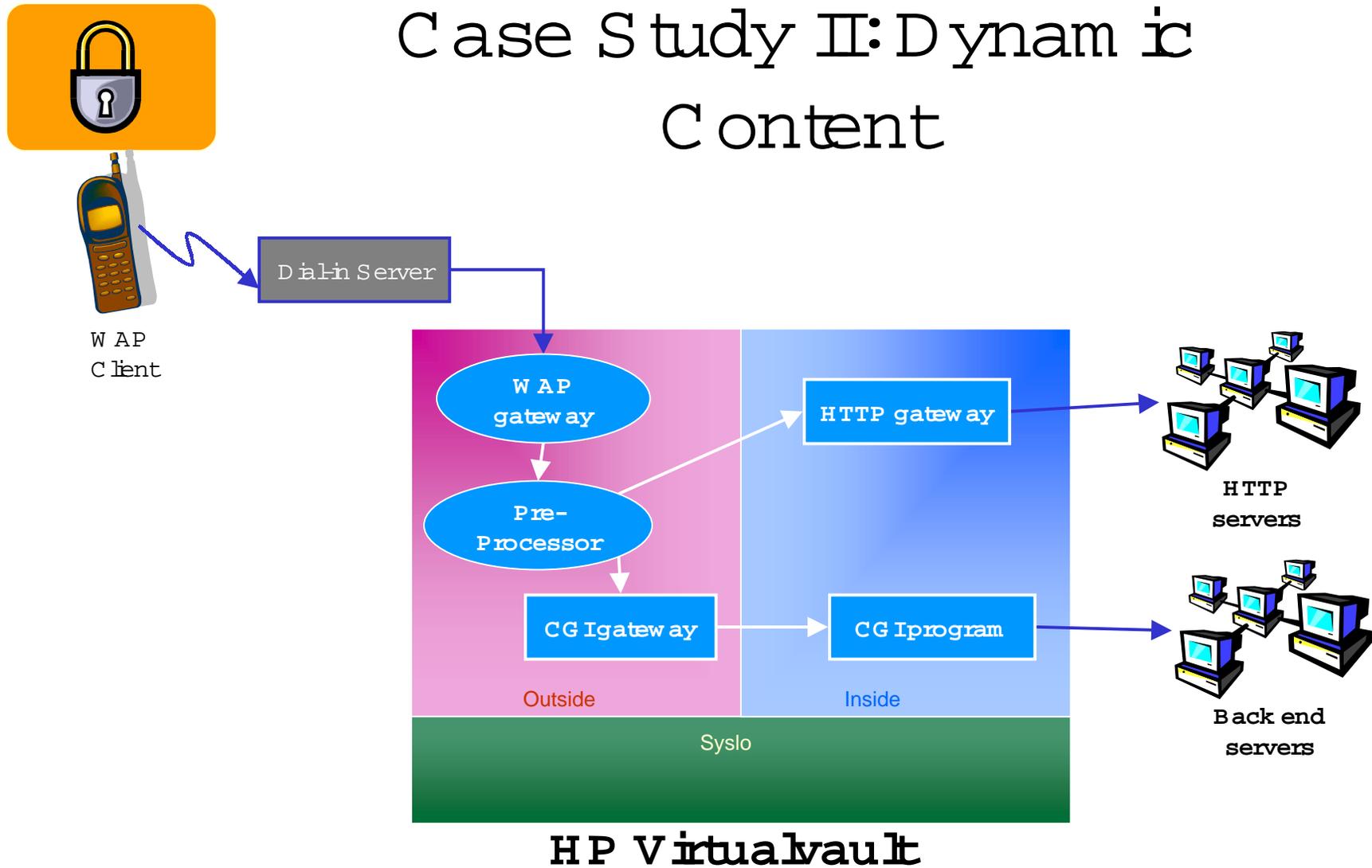


# Case study I: Secure Mobile Gateway



The WAP gateway provides access to an HTTP Web server

# Case Study II: Dynamic Content

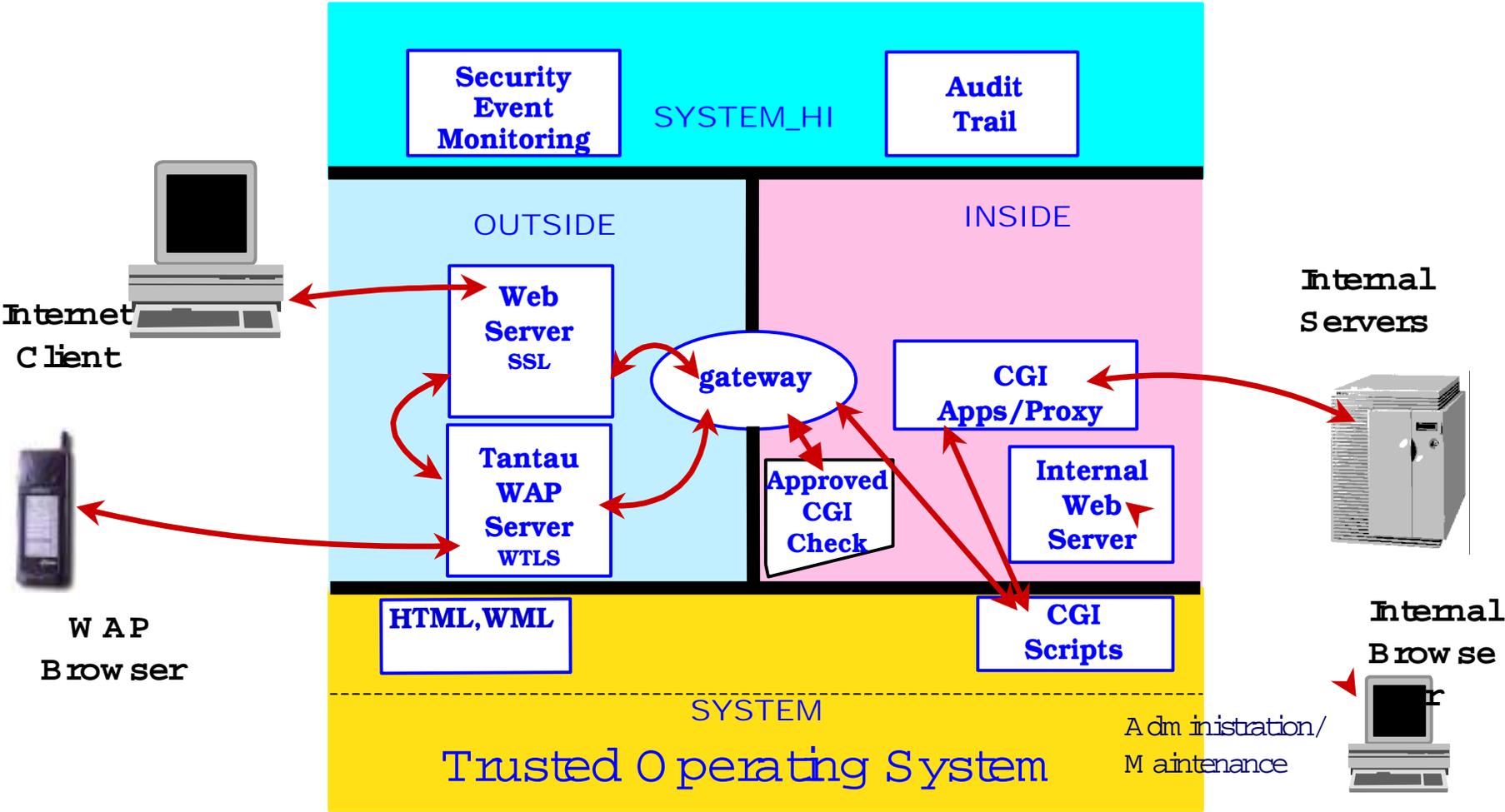


The WAP gateway requests documents via an HTTP proxy or dynamically generated content via CGI.





# Mobile Gateway on Virtual Vault





# European Bank

## Full-Service Internet and Mobile Banking

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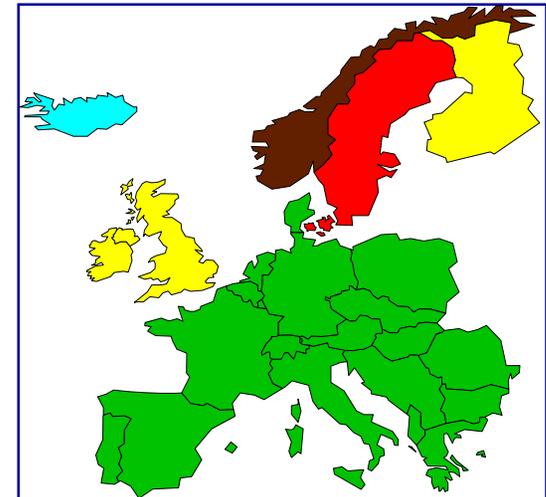
- High value , 24 x 7 banking services
- Strong security

### Solution

- VirtualVault protects Web and WAP server and Internet banking application
- Total integration with core banking systems

### Benefits

- Secure wireless access to banking application
- Safeguards more than 20 banking applications
- 500,000 customers/700,000 transaction per day
-  Cost reduction for customers and bank



"If HP had not been able to offer a secure Internet solution, S-E-Banken would not have even considered launching an Internet service like this at this time." -  
**Anders Lindqvist, Director Internet Service, S-E-Banken**



# New Zealand Stock Exchange

World-leading WAP trading system

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**“Technology is the key to enabling us to achieve this; we need to use leading edge technology to help create an environment that will enhance our brokers competitiveness in the world market.”**

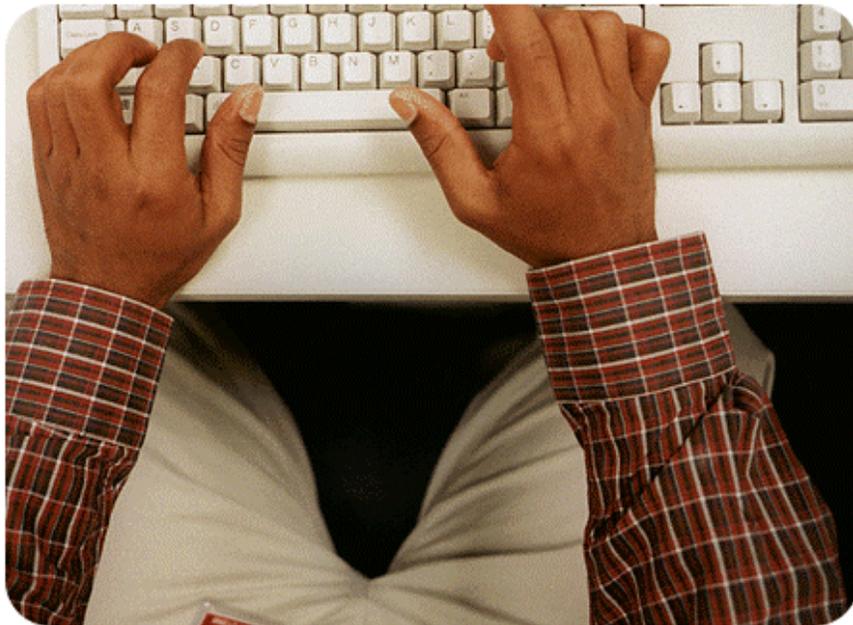
**Bill Foster, CEO**

**New Zealand Stock Exchange**

Hackers  
continue to  
openly share  
information



toward a secure  
infrastructure ...



- create an always-on infrastructure that correctly executes business strategy
- e-tool security policies for next generation interactions
- develop worldwide accepted standards and definitions
- share information across the industry



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