

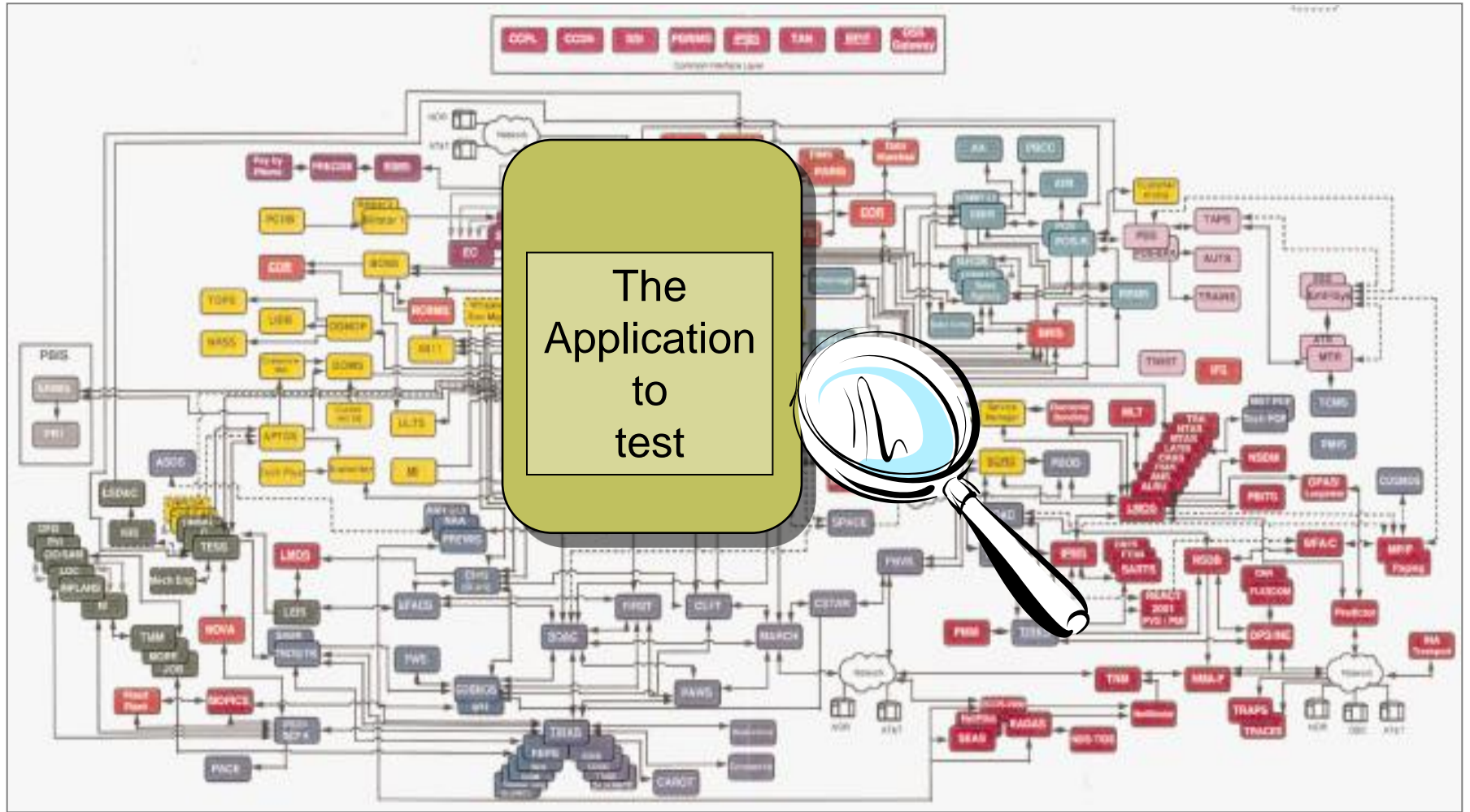
# **Application Virtualization testing complex distributed application architectures - A Business Case**

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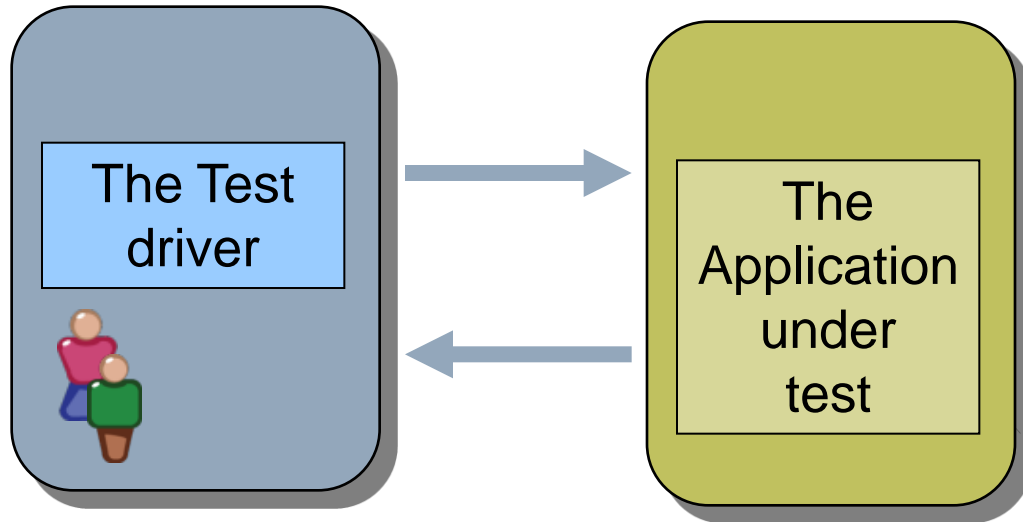
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# How to test an application

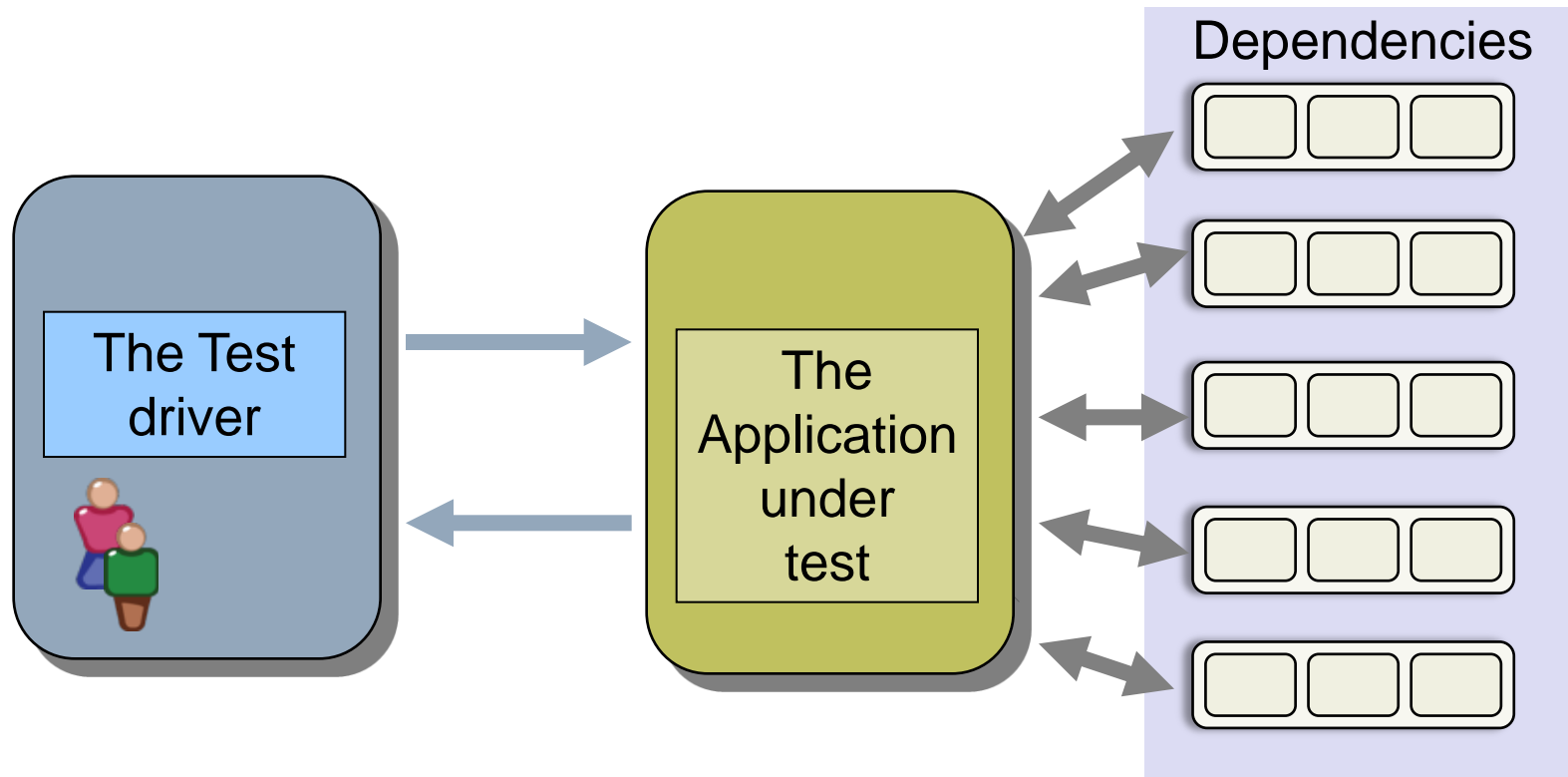


# Testing requires isolation of the application

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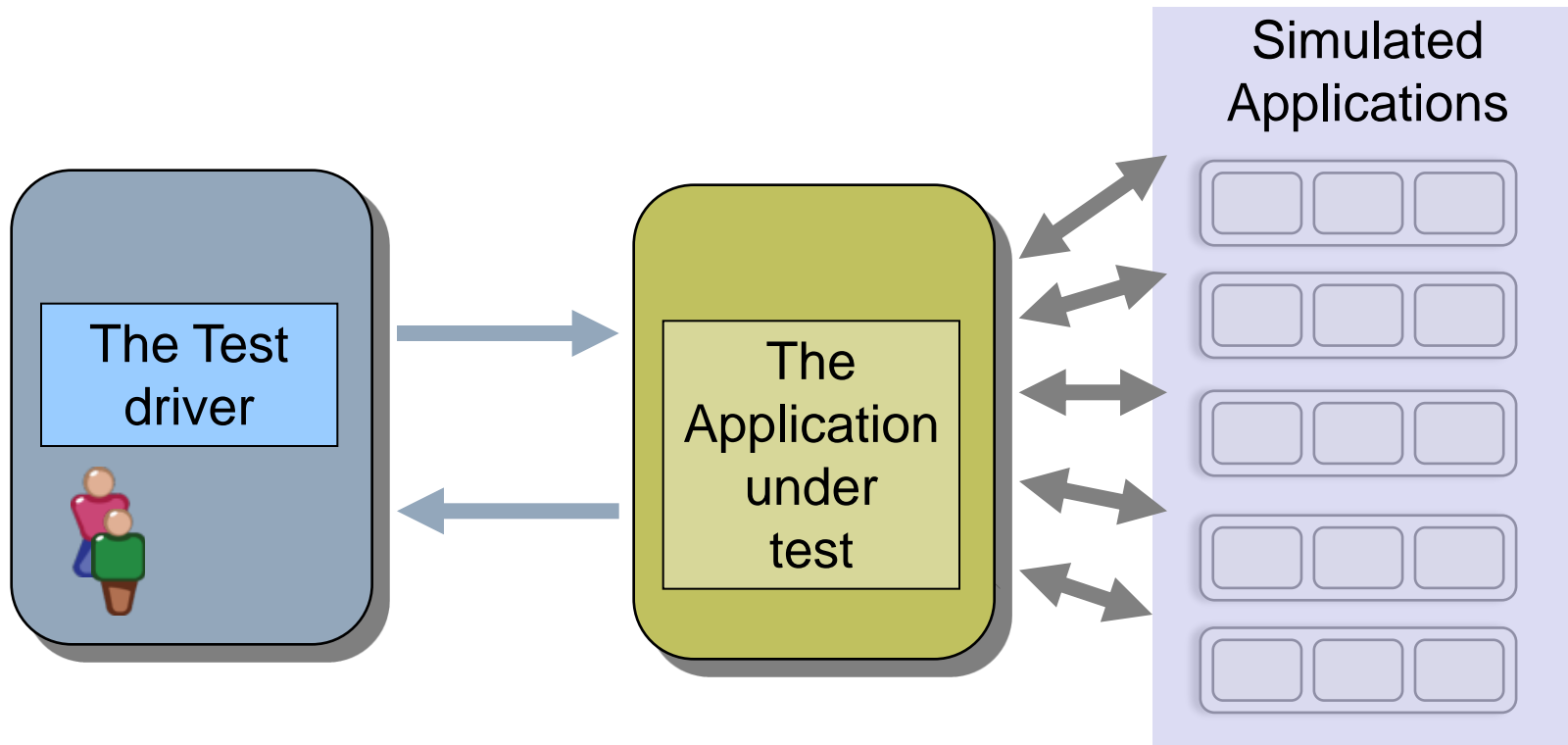


# But what about the dependent Applications ?



- Need hardware/software/licenses/setup
- Not available 24/7 because of other projects
- Some applications are not developed yet
- Are not stable, other testers can influence tests

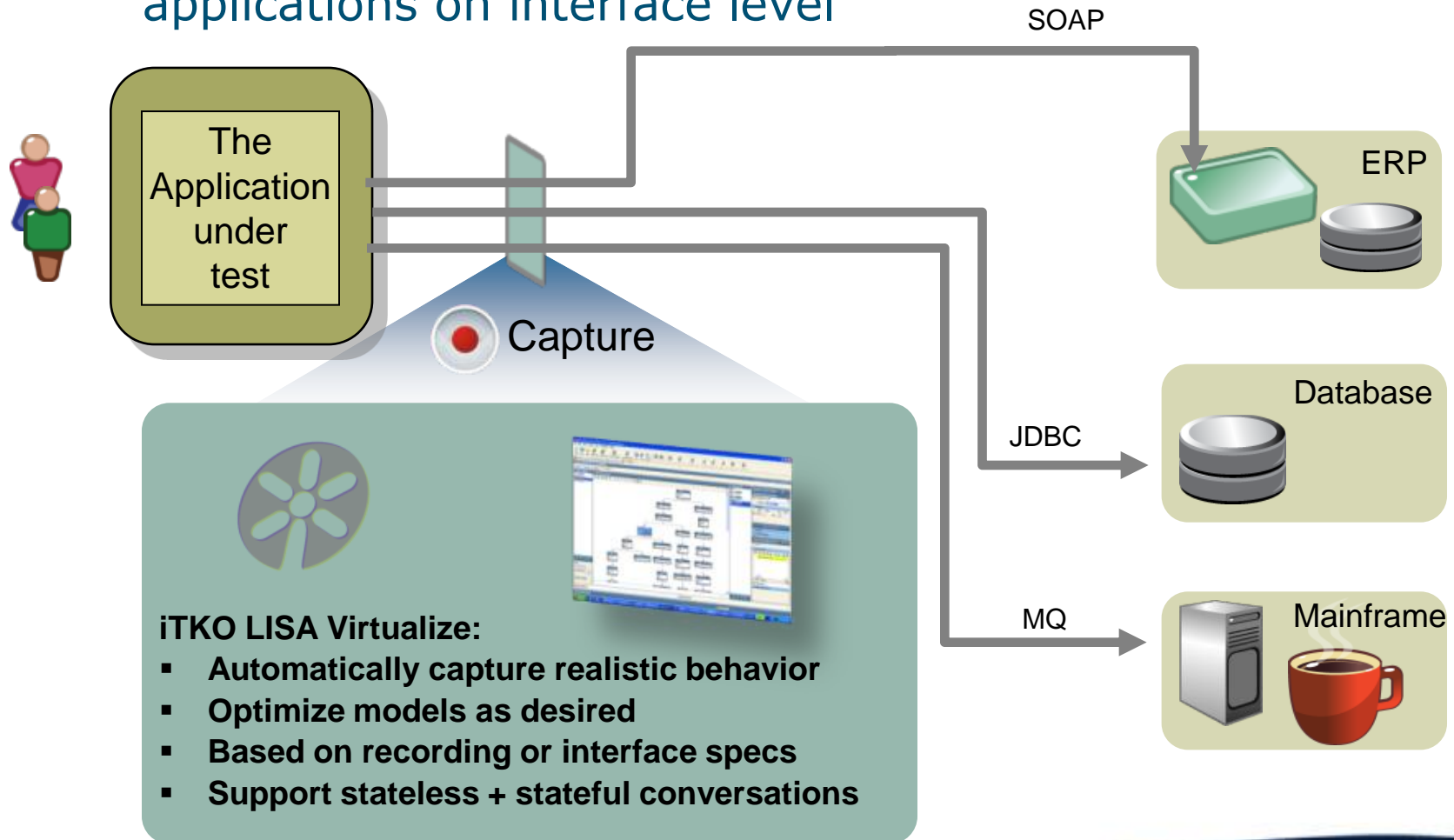
# Solution: Isolate Applications using Simulation



- Simulate the behavior of applications based on interfaces
- Available 24/7 for your project
- Simulate applications that need to be developed
- Are stable, no one can influence your test

# How to create Simulated applications

Simulate the behavior of applications on interface level



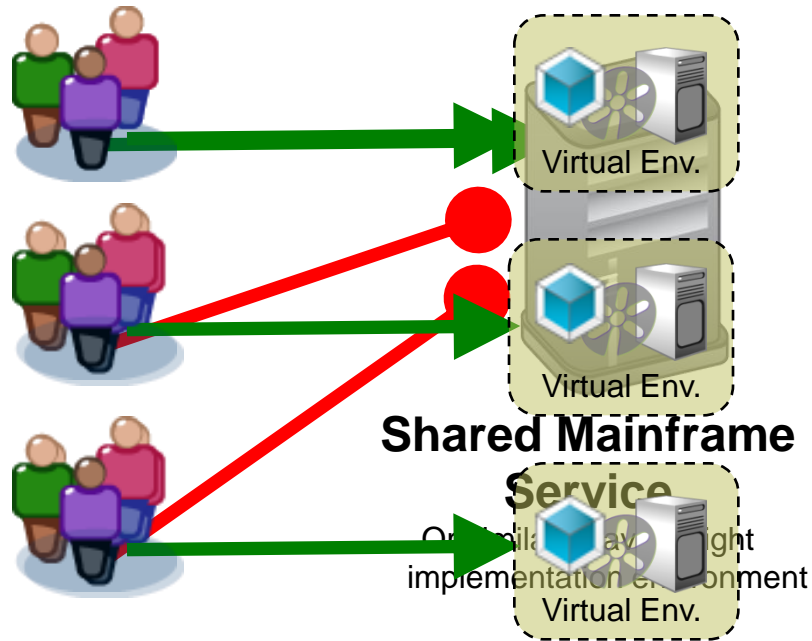
# Real Applications – versus - Virtual applications

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Comparing real applications with Simulated or Virtual applications on the following aspects:

- Availability
- Test Completeness
- Behavior
- Test Data Management
- Cost

# Availability: Real versus Virtualized

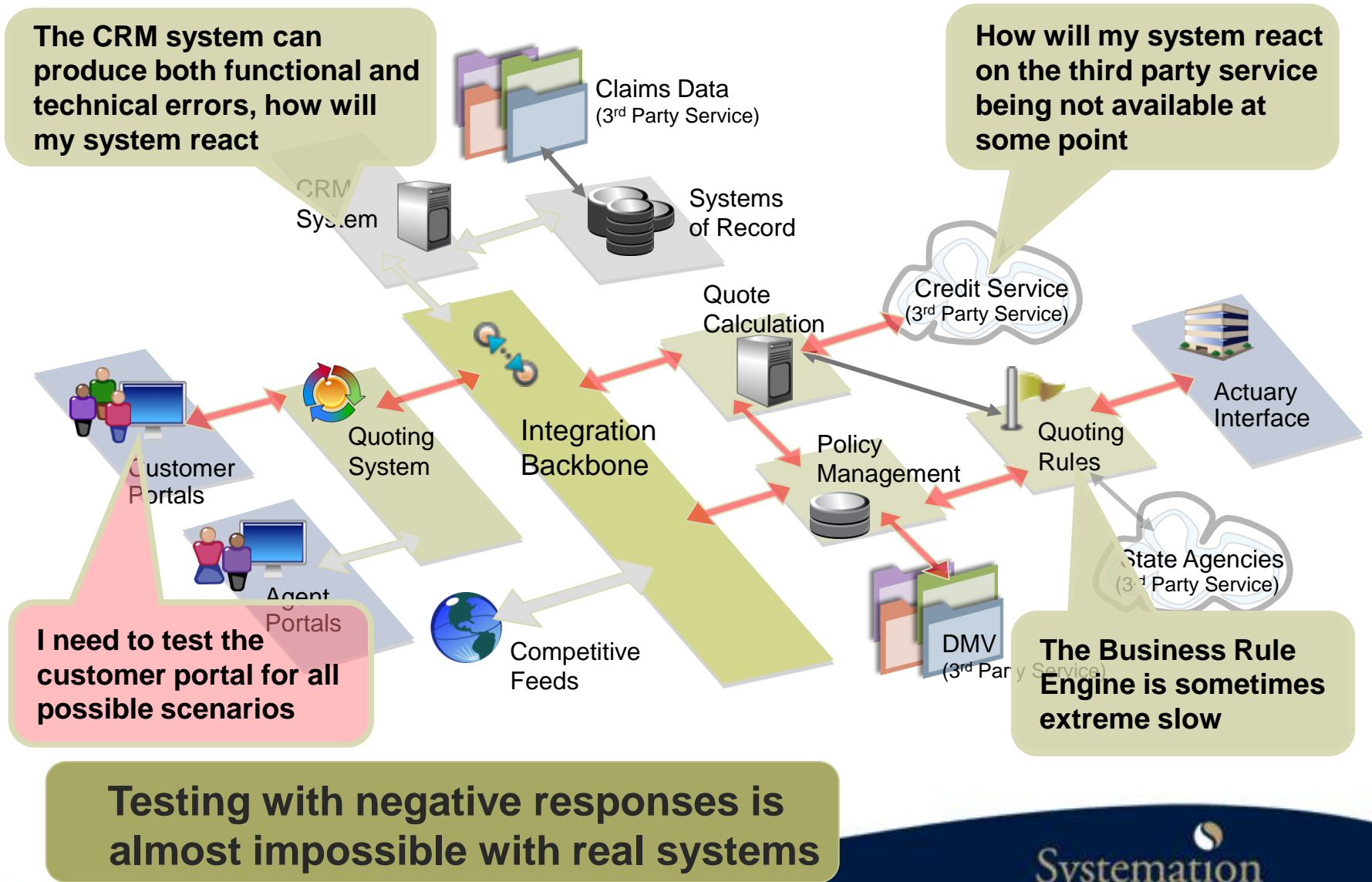


- 3 projects depend on a central mainframe in a test
- Multiple versions of this hardware is too expensive
- The test environment is only available 1 week a month for my project

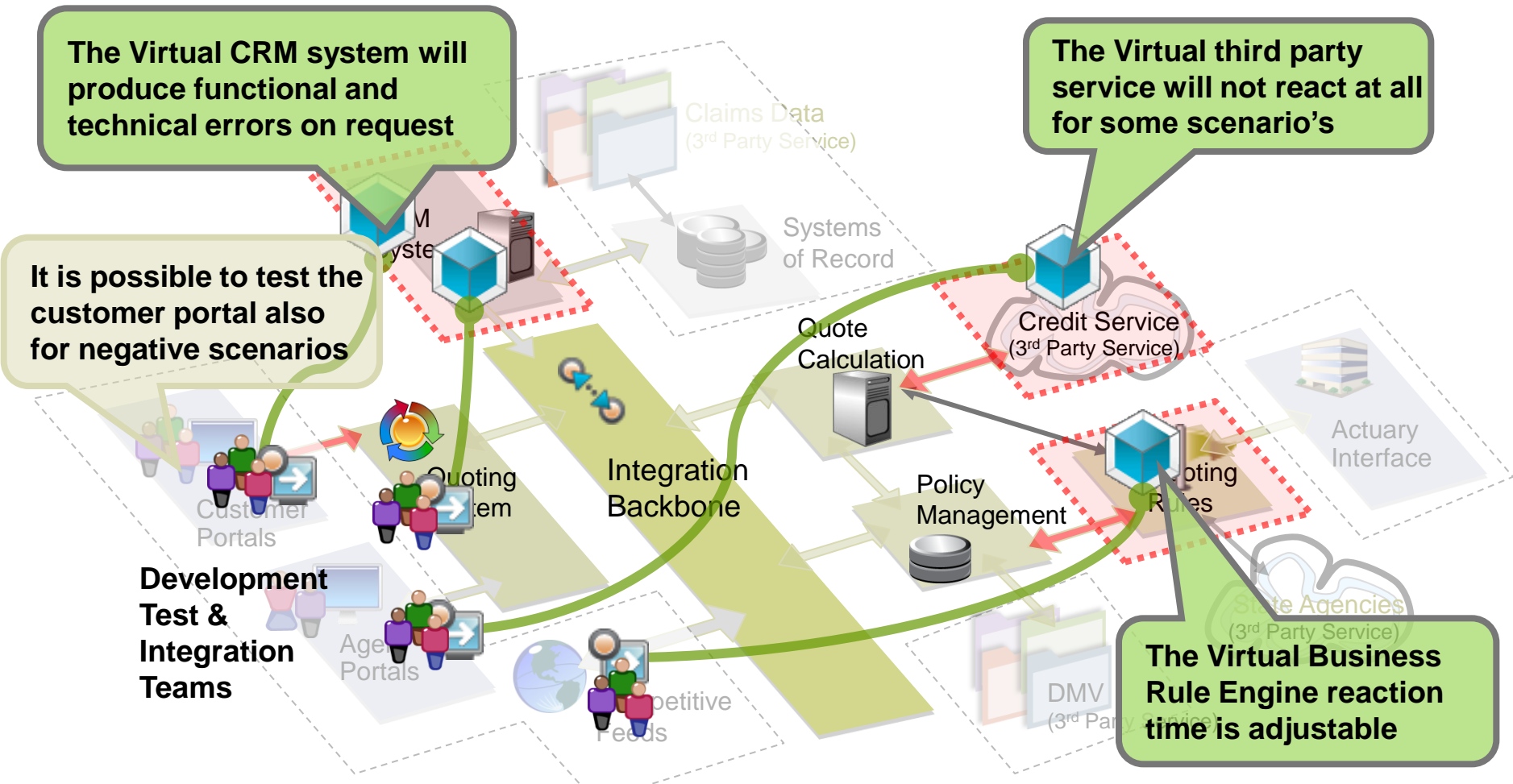
Projects use timesharing while testing environment availability



# Test Completeness: Real versus Virtualized

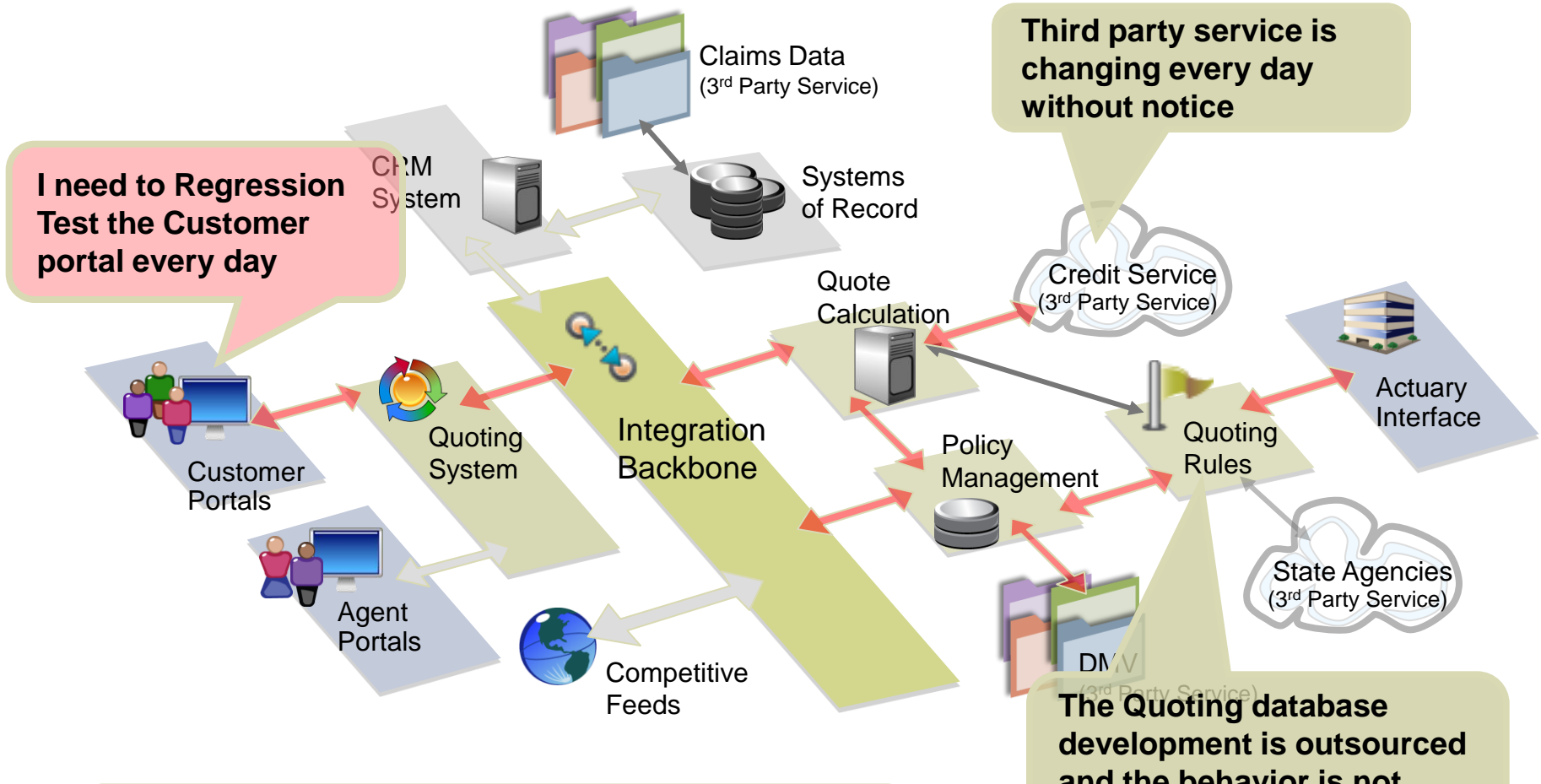


# Test Completeness: Real versus Virtualized



**Virtualization makes negative tests possible**

# Behavior: Real versus Virtualized



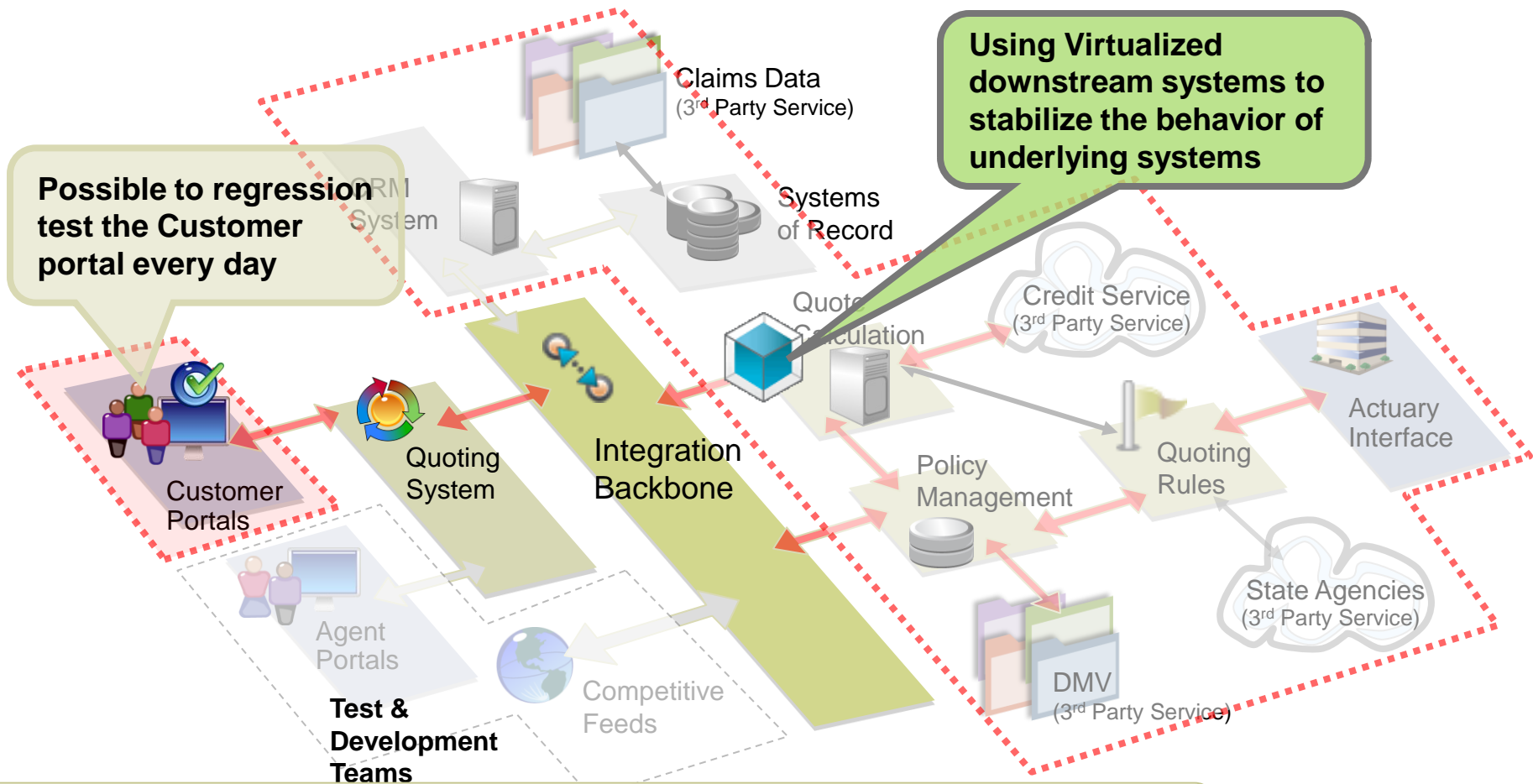
I need to Regression Test the Customer portal every day

Third party service is changing every day without notice

The Quoting database development is outsourced and the behavior is not stable yet

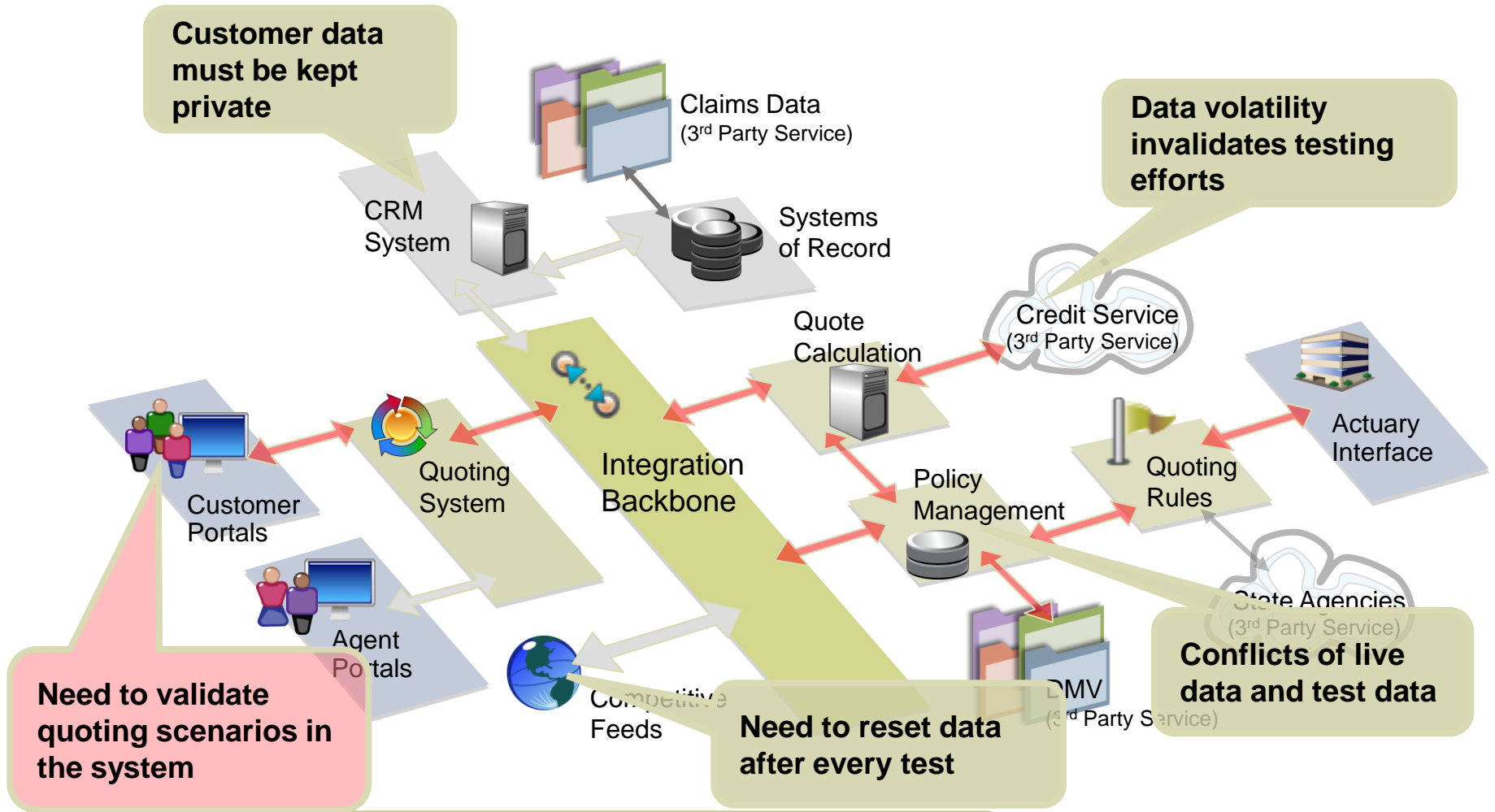
Without a stable environment regression testing is impossible

# Behavior: Real versus Virtualized



**Virtualization provides isolated, never changing test environments**

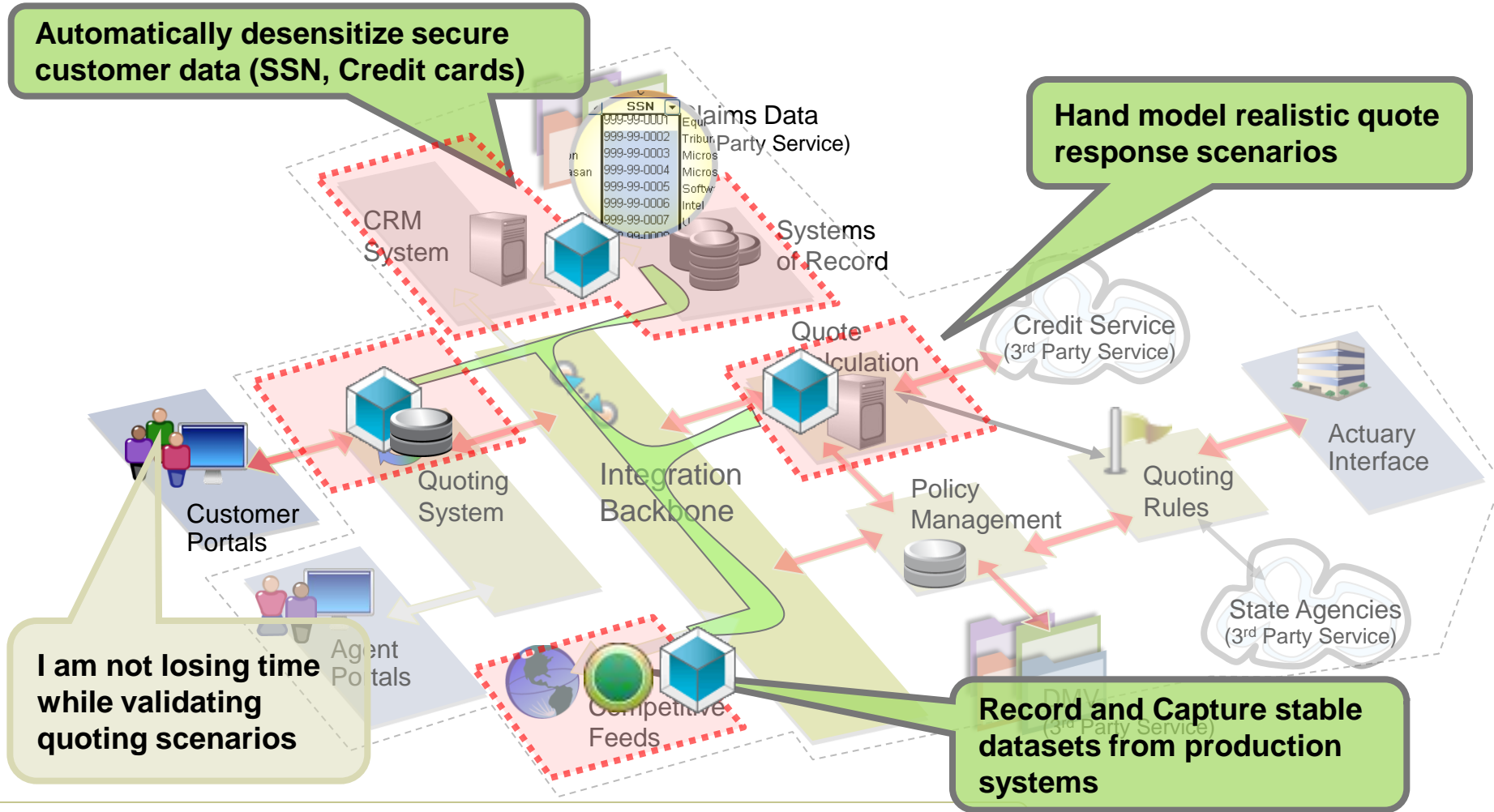
# Test Data Management: Real versus Virtualized



**Managing test data consumes as much as 60% of the test lifecycle!**



# Test Data Management: Real versus Virtualized

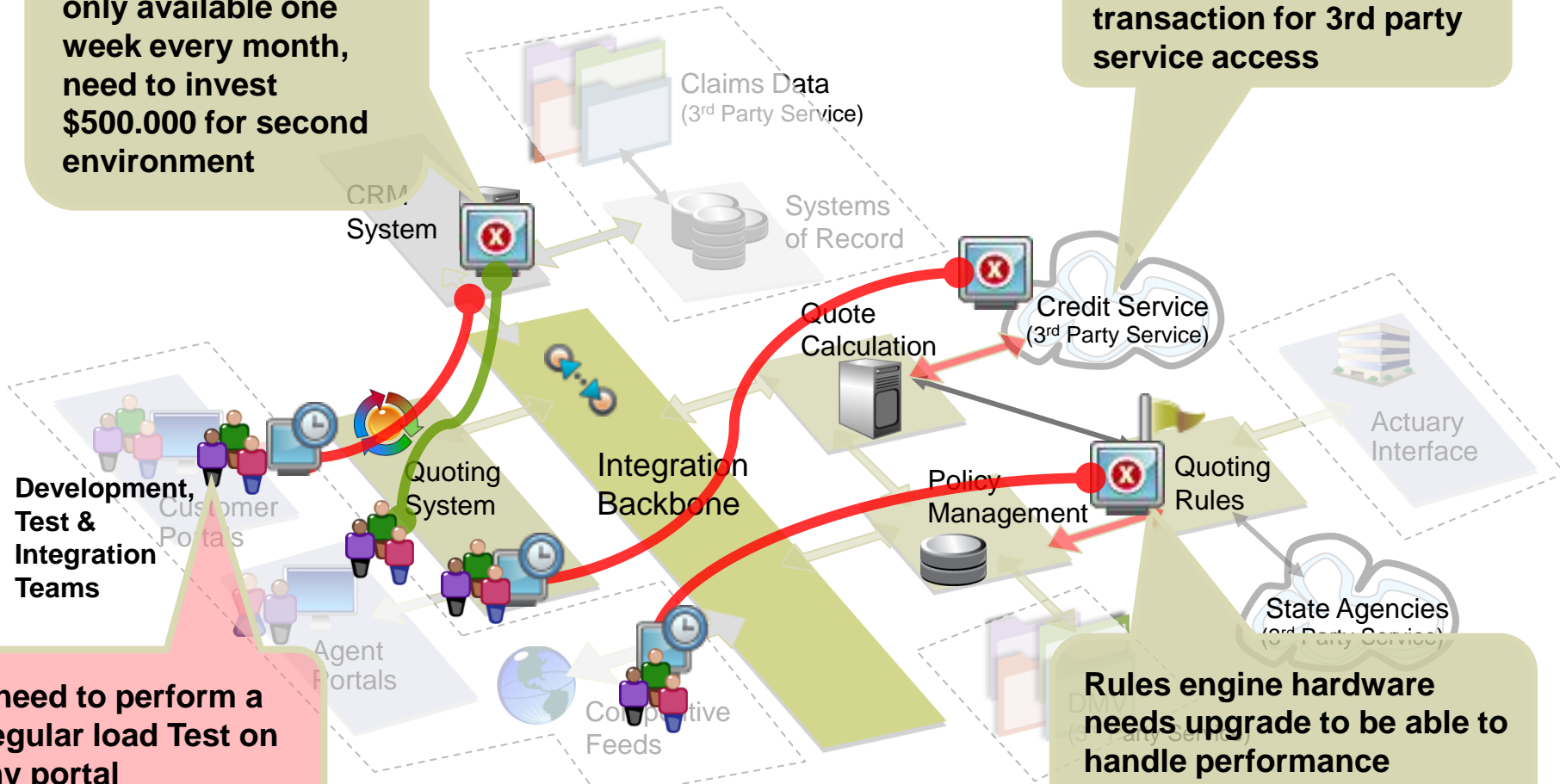


Virtualization makes test data management easier

# Cost: Real versus Virtualized

The CRM system is only available one week every month, need to invest \$500,000 for second environment

Have to pay \$0,50 per-transaction for 3rd party service access

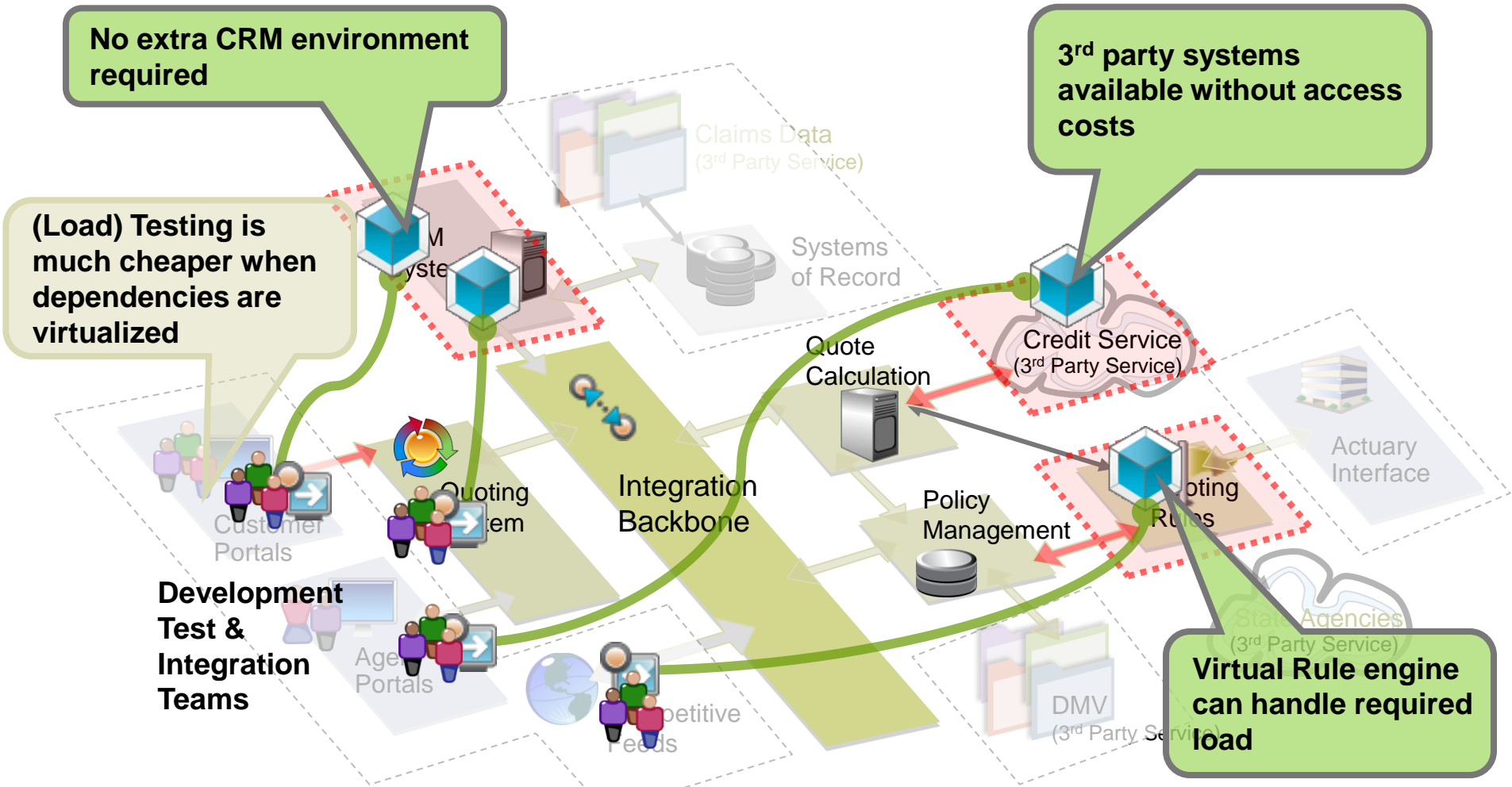


I need to perform a regular load Test on my portal

Rules engine hardware needs upgrade to be able to handle performance requirements

Load testing in integrated environments is expensive

# Cost: Real versus Virtualized



**Virtualization makes load testing cheaper**



# Recap: Real versus Virtualized/Simulated

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- Availability
  - Virtual test environments are available 24/7
- Test Completeness
  - Both positive and negative testing are possible
- Behavior
  - Virtualization offers stable and isolated test environments
- Test data management
  - Virtualization simplifies test data management
- Costs
  - Saves costs on transaction fees and hardware/software for load tests

**Thank you for your attention**

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