



Software Product Description

PRODUCT NAME: Digital Distributed Computing Solution for Open Systems, Version V1.1 SPD 56.53.00

DESCRIPTION

Abstract

Digital Distributed Computing Solution for Open Systems (DCSO) V1.1 is a complete solution that helps to develop and deploy Client/Server **OSF™/DCE®** based applications at low cost.

The main characteristics of **Digital Distributed Computing Solution for Open Systems** are:

- Simplifies development of **OSF/DCE** Clients and Servers using a simple, powerful, flexible and reliable **API**.
- Simplifies deployment and management of **OSF/DCE** Servers in a **OSF/DCE** environment.
- Management is fully distributed and available as a reliable tool and **API**. Available over a simple to use **GUI** on Windows Platforms.
- **OSF/DCE** security is used in both the development **API** and management.

Highlight

- **Digital Distributed Computing Solution for Open Systems** is a complete environment for distributed applications.
- Easy and rapid client server application development drastically improves team productivity and saves money.
- It separates the underlying communication mechanism from the application providing independence from a particular technical choice.

- Based on the **OSF/DCE** standard.
- Preserves **DCE** functionality and flexibility.
- Provides high availability for mission critical applications.
- Provides application deployment and control utilities.
- Management is fully distributed.
- Activity monitor: a single machine can monitor the activity of distributed applications.
- Can distribute and secure legacy applications very quickly.

Features

- Integrated development and deployment environments.

Available for :

- **Digital UNIX AXP Server, Client, and Administrator.**
- **Windows NT INTEL/AXP Client, and Administrator.**
- **Windows 95 Client and Administrator.**
- Header files provided for **C & C++** Applications.
- Makes **DCE-RPC** very simple and preserves its power by the use of:
 1. Simple Server **API** :
 - One unique call to initialize a server.
 - One unique call to check the client authentication (security).

2. Simple Client **API** :

One unique macro to get server bindings and call RPC Routines.

This macro handles the failover/failback mechanism.

- Extended **RPC** functionality for mission critical applications.
Load balancing, failover, failback, security.
- Server resolution includes load balancing.
- Multi-threaded servers.
The maximum number of threads for servers is a configurable server attribute.
- Multi-process servers for non-thread safe applications (database applications,...).
- Distributed management including an activity monitor, a simple command line interface and **API** .

Technical Information

- **DCSO** is implemented on top of **OSF/DCE API** and **POSIX** system calls.
- **DCSO** consists of the following components:
 - Local supervisor:Daemon process started on each node running a **DCSO** server.
 - Supervisor:Daemon process that manages a pool of servers started on one given node.
 - Management utility, **GUI** and **API** .
 - Server **API** .
 - Client **API** .
 - **Setup** Utility (Digital UNIX platforms).
 - **SetId** kit installable process.
 - Monitoring is done over GUI on Windows NT and Windows 95 **DCSO ADMIN** utility.
- Failover/failback mechanism implemented with **CDS** profiles.
- Load balancing feature implemented with **CDS** groups.
- Persistent management data stored in a configuration file.
- Environment variables can be set at supervisor level using an environment file.

These environment variables are inherited by the servers managed by the supervisor.

DOCUMENTATION

Digital Distributed Computing Solution for Open Systems includes the following documentation:

- Installation Guide.
- Application Development Reference Manual.
- Administration Guide.

HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS**Processor Supported:**

Digital **DCSO** for Digital UNIX V1.1 is supported on all hardware configurations that support Digital UNIX Version V3.2 and V4.0. Reference can be made to the configuration charts listed in the Digital UNIX Operating Systems Software Product Description (SPD 41.61.xx).

Alpha Processor Supported:

Digital **DCSO** for Windows NT is supported by the Microsoft Windows NT V3.51 and V4.0 Operating Systems or higher. Refer to the Microsoft Windows NT Hardware Compatibility List for complete information on the Alpha processors and hardware options supported by Windows NT.

INTEL Processor Supported:

Digital **DCSO** for Windows NT is supported by the Microsoft Windows NT V3.51 and V4.0 Operating Systems or higher. Refer to the Microsoft Windows NT Hardware Compatibility List for complete information on the INTEL processors and hardware options supported by Windows NT.

Digital **DCSO** for Windows 95 is supported by the Microsoft Windows 95 V1.0 Operating Systems. Refer to the Microsoft Windows 95 Hardware Compatibility List for complete information on the INTEL processors and hardware options supported by Windows 95.

Minimum memory size:

- 20 Mbytes for Windows NT.
- 16 Mbytes for Windows 95.

Disk-Space Requirements:

- Digital UNIX Disk Space Requirements: 10 Mbytes.
- Windows NT (NTFS) Disk Space Requirements: 10 Mbytes.
- Windows 95 (FAT) Disk Space Requirements: 4 Mbytes

SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

Warranty applies only if the following software is installed and configured as specified in the **DCSO** Installation and System Management Guide:

For ALPHA Platforms running Digital UNIX:

- Digital UNIX Operating System V3.2 or higher.
- Digital DCE Runtime Services for Digital UNIX V1.31.
- Digital DCE CDS Server for Digital UNIX V1.31.
- Digital DCE Security Server for Digital UNIX V1.31.
- Digital DCE ADK for Digital UNIX V1.31.

For ALPHA/INTEL Platform PC running Microsoft Windows NT:**Client Configuration:**

- Microsoft Windows NT V3.51
- Digital DCE Runtime Services for Windows NT V1.1b
- Digital DCE ADK for Windows NT V1.1b

For INTEL Platform PC running Microsoft Windows 95:**Client Configuration:**

- Microsoft Windows 95 V1.0
- Digital DCE Runtime Services for Windows 95 V1.0
- Digital DCE ADK for Windows 95 V1.0

GROWTH CONSIDERATIONS

The minimum hardware/software requirements for any future version of this product may be different from the requirements for the current version.

DISTRIBUTION MEDIA

The product **DCSO** is available on the following media:

- CD-ROM for Digital Unix ALPHA Platforms (SERVER /CLIENT/ADMIN)
- RX23 floppy for Windows NT ALPHA/INTEL Platforms (CLIENT/ADMIN)
- RX23 floppy for W95 Platforms (CLIENT/ADMIN)

ORDERING INFORMATION

For Digital UNIX AXP Platforms:

Software License **DCSO** Server: Q2-8AMA*-*A
 Software License **DCSO** Client: Q2-8AQA*-*A
 Software License **DSCO** Admin: Q2-8ATA*-*A

For Windows NT ALPHA/INTEL Platforms:

Software License **DCSO** Client Int/Alp: Q2-8ASA*-*
 Software License **DCSO** Admin Int/Alp: Q2-8AVA*-*

For Windows 95 Platforms:

Software License **DCSO** Client: Q2-8ARA*-*
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Temporary Software Licenses: Q2-***A9-O*

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Software Media & Documentation: Q2-***A*-H*

Note: The full Documentation set is included on the CDROM UNIX/ALPHA KIT only. There is no Documentation set on Windows NT and/or Windows 95 KITS.

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License Management Facility Support:

DCSO for Digital UNIX supports the Digital UNIX License Management Facility.

There is no LMF support provided for any Windows NT and Windows 95 Operating Systems.

However, for the Operating System Software mentioned above (i.e: Windows NT and Windows 95), a dedicated policy will be implemented (i.e: Shrink Wrap License use).

For more information on the License Management Facility, refer to the Digital UNIX Operating System Software Product Description.

SOFTWARE PRODUCT SERVICES

Software Orientation & Implementation Services for:

- **DCSO SERVER**
=> QS-8AMA9-A9
- **DCSO CLIENT**
=> QS-8AQA9-A9
- **DCSO ADMIN**
=> QS-8ATA9-A9

A variety of service options are available from Digital. For more information, contact your local Digital office.

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