VistA Open Source Introduction

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Agenda

Why do we need to do anything different?

Why open source?

How would this work?

Where are we in the process?
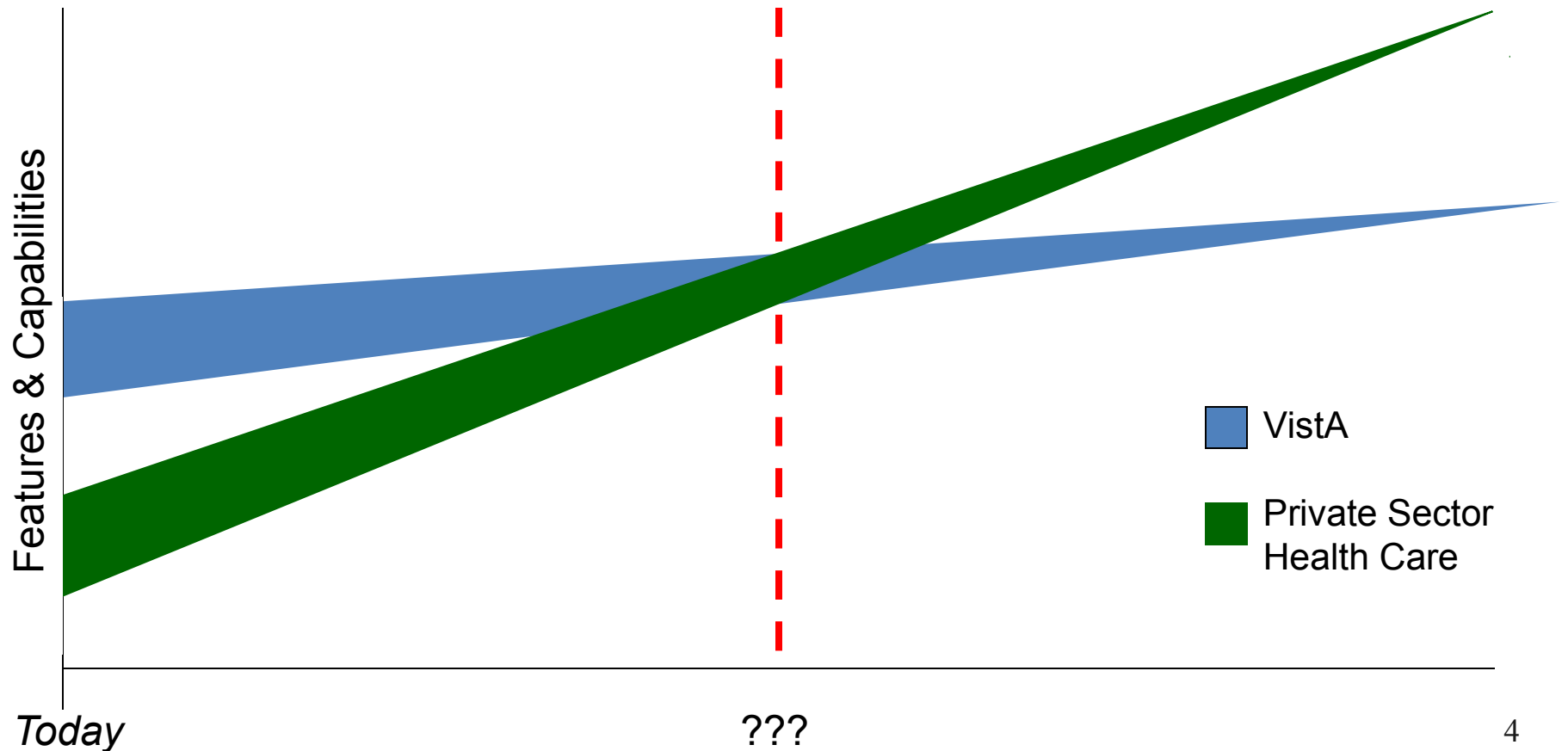
Rate of Innovation

VistA is the cornerstone of the care and benefits we deliver to Veterans

Rapidly evolving models of care drive EHR changes

At a time when a higher *rate of innovation* is required, we can't keep up

Accelerating Investment in EHRs

Keeping VistA Open
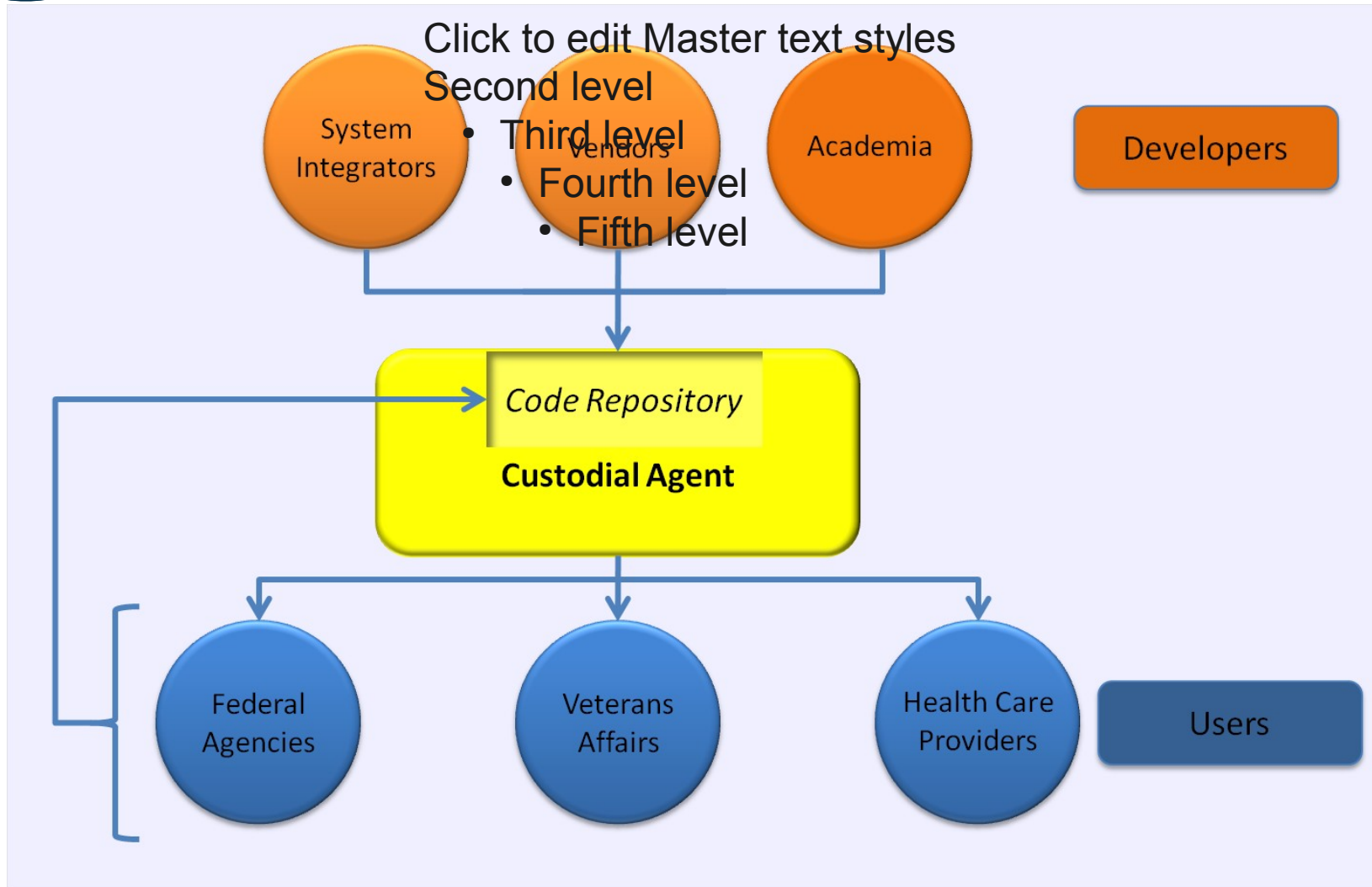
VistA has always been in the public domain

This open source approach helps promote larger community involvement in addition to VA resources

The goal is to expand the code and to enhance the current functionality

May help expand the user base

Open Source Community

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Second level
- Third level
  - Fourth level
    - Fifth level

System Integrators

Vendors

Academia

Developers

Code Repository

Custodial Agent

Federal Agencies

Veterans Affairs

Health Care Providers

Users

Managing the Ecosystem

Ecosystem

Custodial Agent

Governance

·Board   ·Membershi   ·Certification
·Committees p

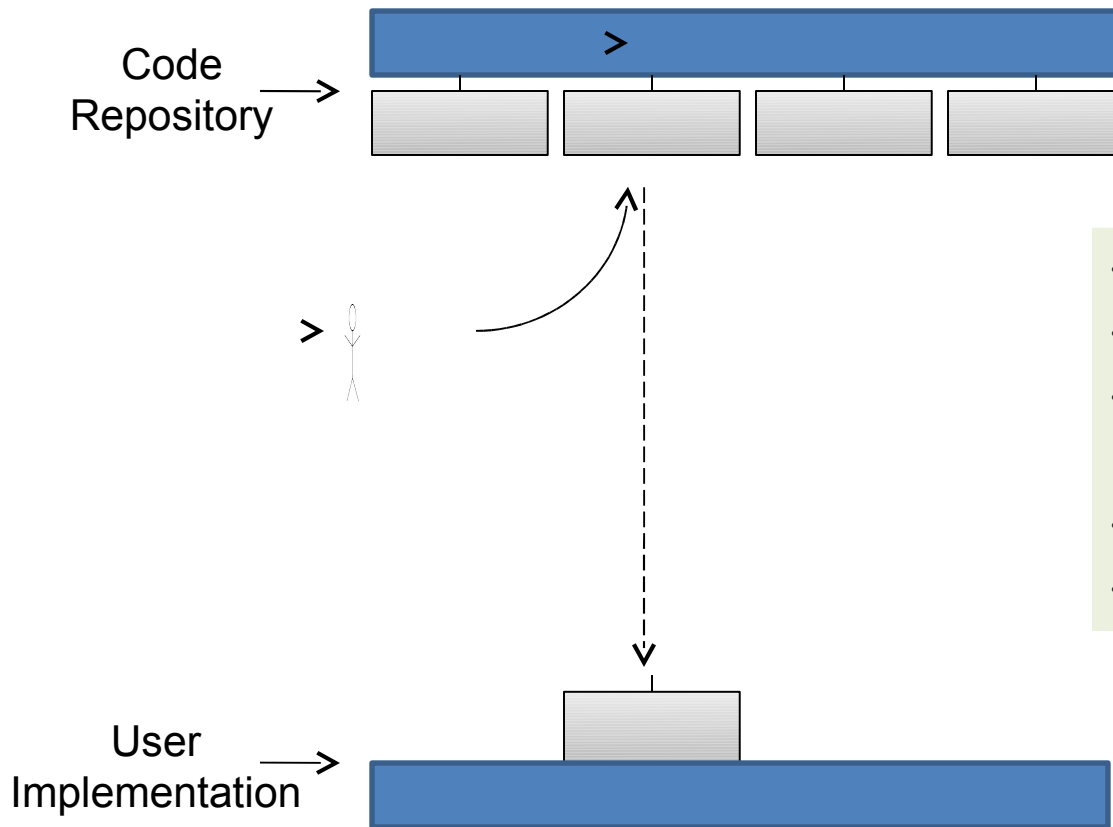·Licensing

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Code Repository

Technical Activity
·Architecture
·Product Definition
·Documentation

Community Enablement
·Communication
·Education
·Tools

Use Case #1: adopt an open source module

Code Repository

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User Implementation
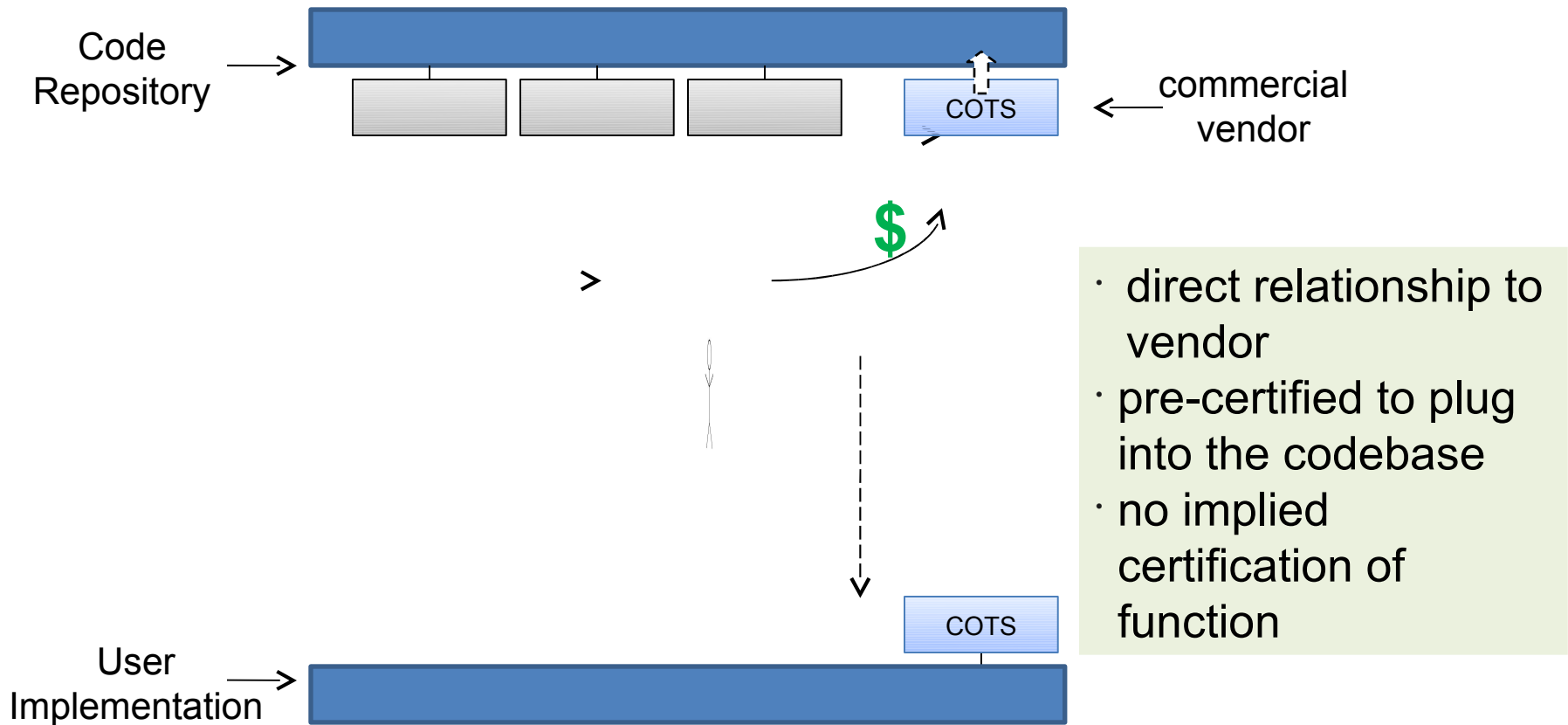
- copy of current version
- perpetual license
- certification of interoperability
- certification of function
- documentation

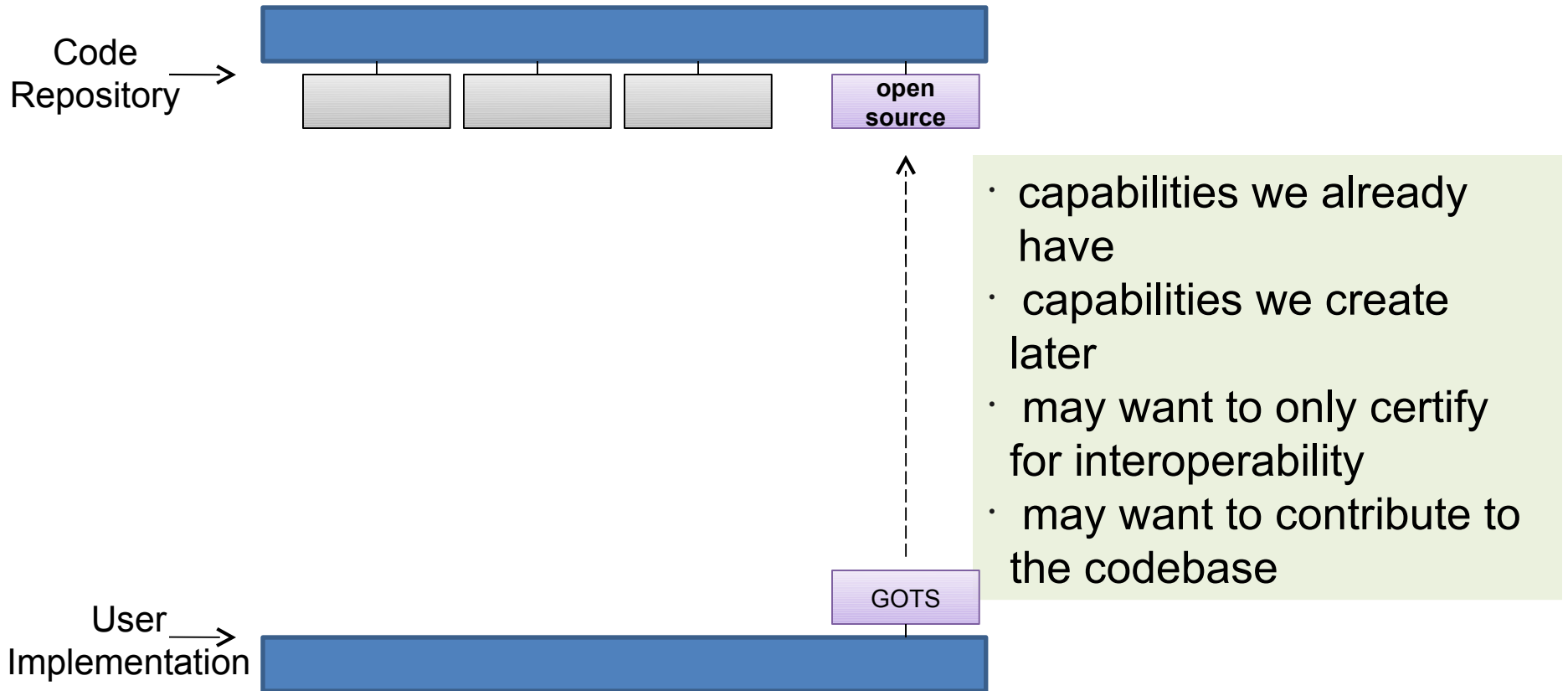# Use Case #2: adopt commercial code

Code Repository

COTS

commercial vendor

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COTS

- direct relationship to vendor
- pre-certified to plug into the codebase
- no implied certification of function

User Implementation

Use Case #3: contribute GOTS code

**open
source**

GOTS

· capabilities we already
have
· capabilities we create
later
· may want to only certify
for interoperability
· may want to contribute to
the codebase

User
Implementation →

Where Are We Today?

February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October
RFI	RFI Responses	RFP	RFP Responses	Award RFP		CA Starts		Code Repository & Certification

Questions?