
Service Delivery Platforms: Upstarts Versus the Traditionalists

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NSM – State of the State

- **Systems and applications are key and internet infrastructure is necessary plumbing**
- **Framework monitoring systems are not being implemented successfully – goals are nearly unachievable**
- **Too many vendors needed to solve NSM problems**
- **IT departments are under attack – staffing, money, justification are all keys targets**
- **High cost of deployment for traditional tools**
 - **Average of \$3.50 in deployment for every \$1 in software**
- **Even in today's market IT personnel & skills still an issue**
- **External options for IT is a necessity?**
- **But how much external help do I need??**

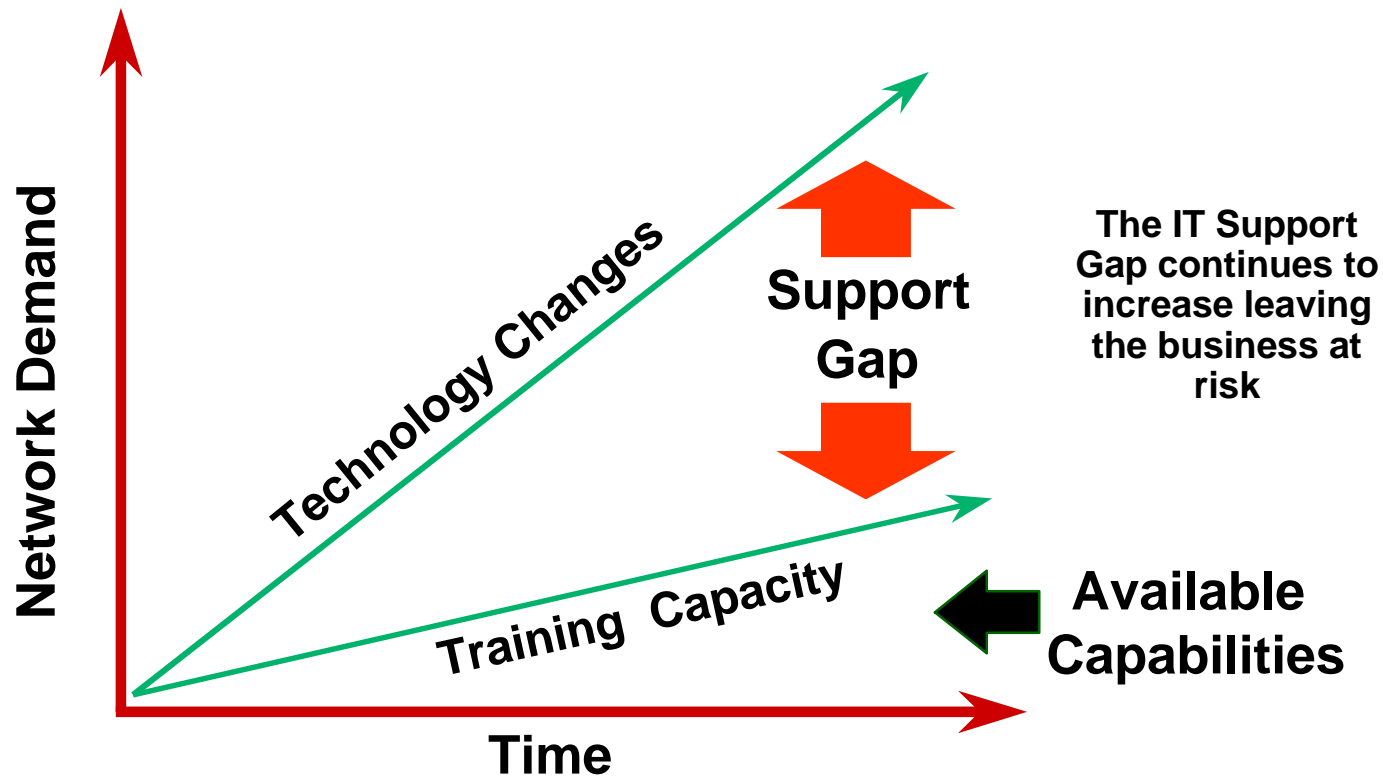
End-User NSM Challenges

The Challenge

Keep pace with technology changes while networks become increasingly complex and more critical to the bottom line

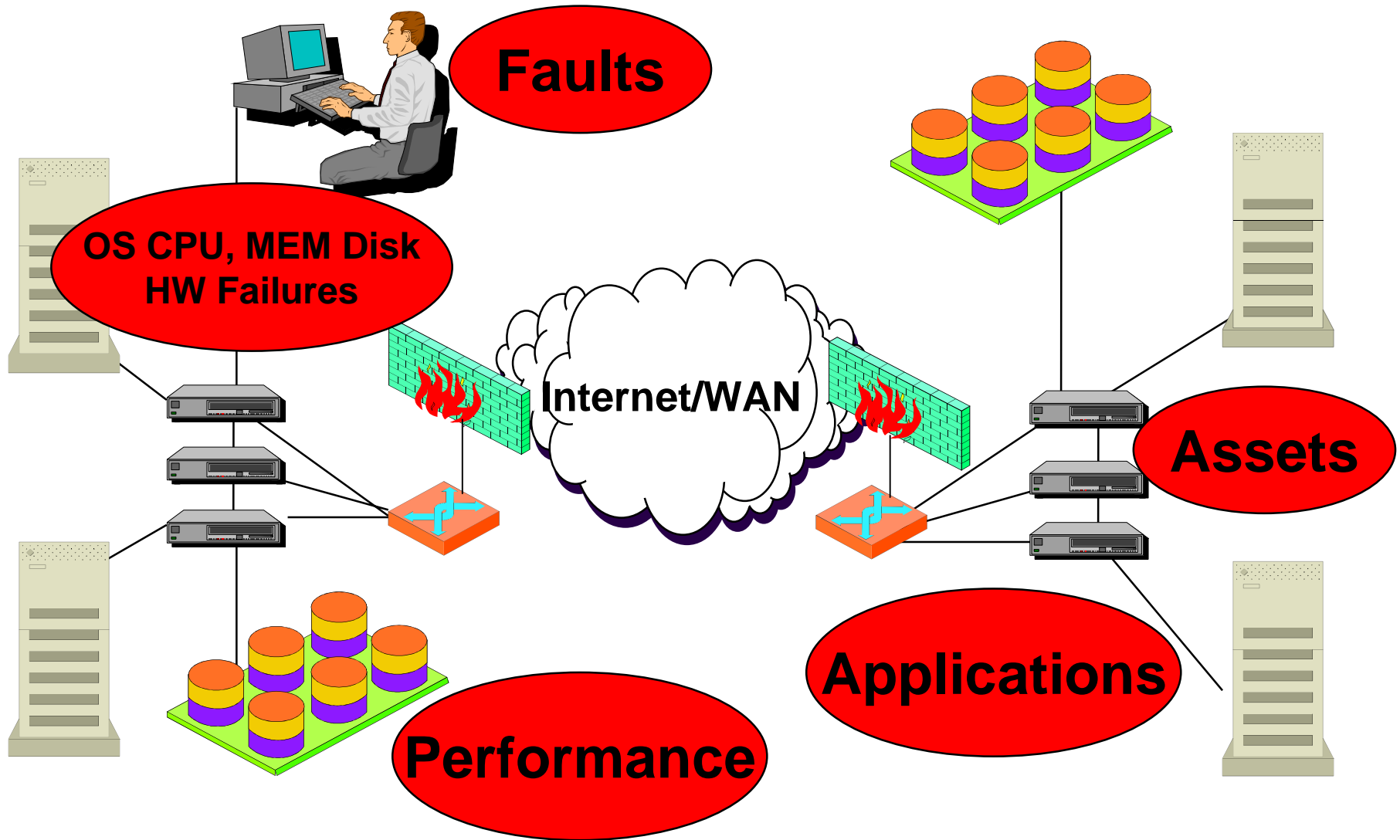
The Widening Support Gap

Hire, train, retain and manage qualified IT people to keep pace with network demands

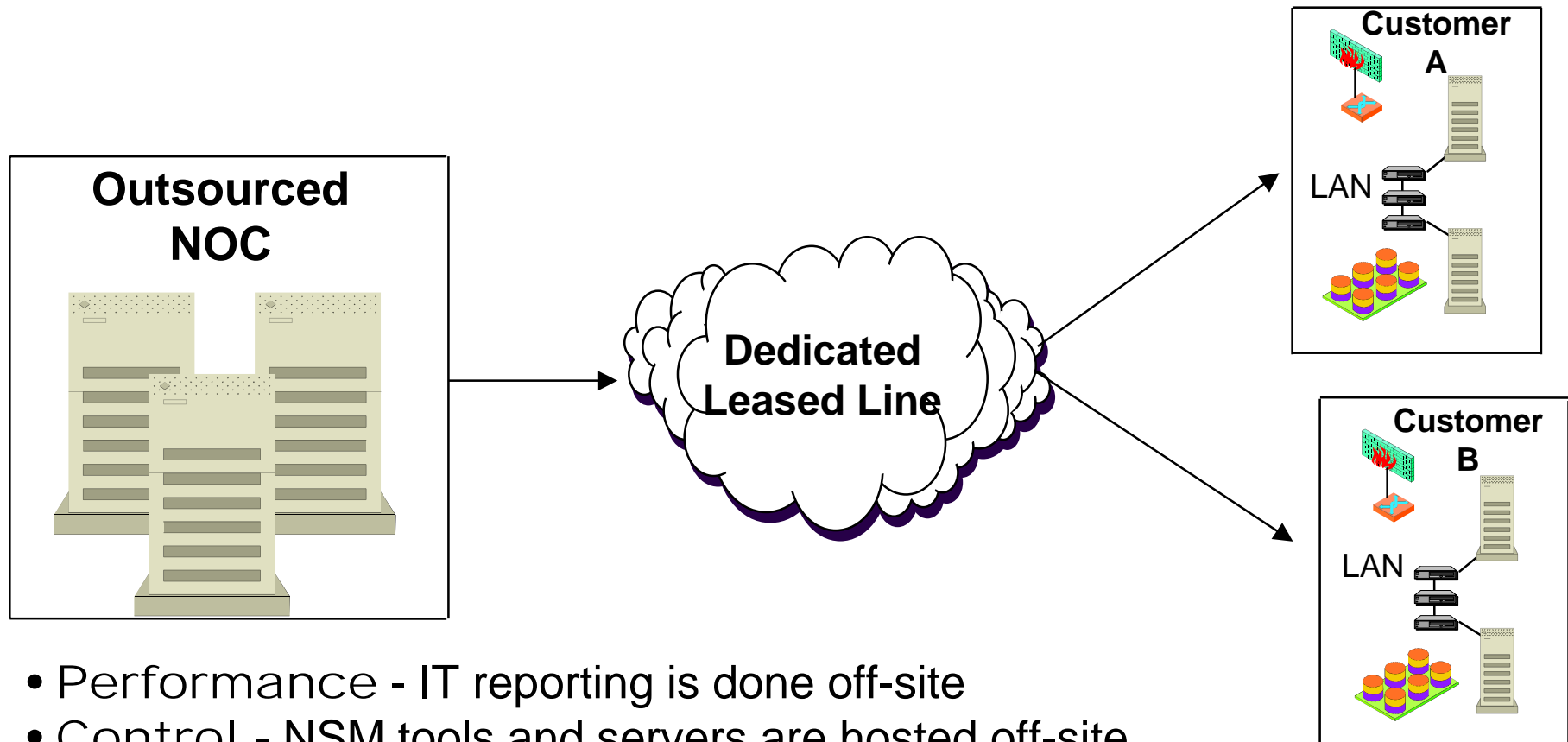


Source:
Gartner Group

Where's the Pain?

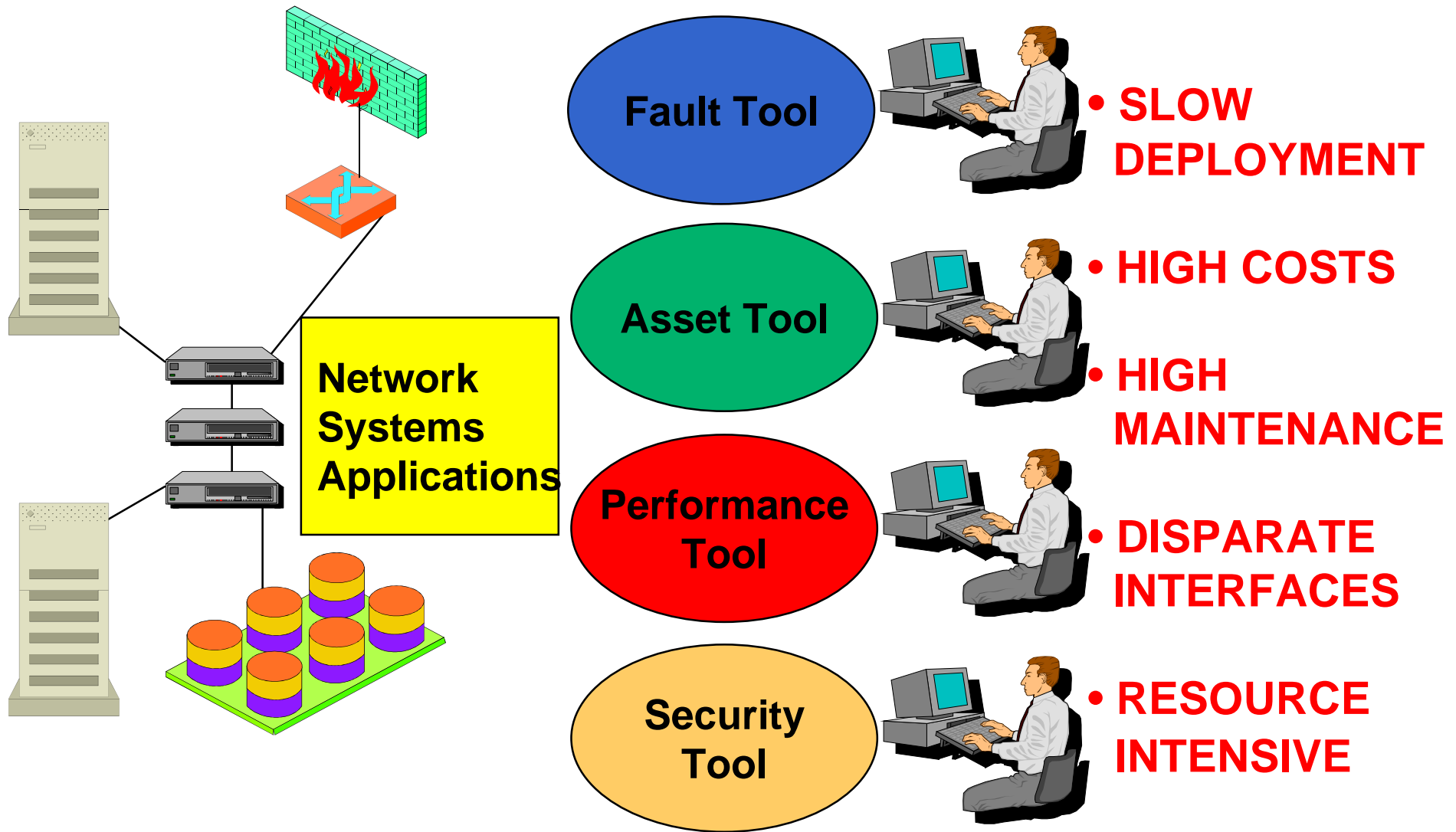


Outsourced NSM Approach



- Performance - IT reporting is done off-site
- Control - NSM tools and servers are hosted off-site
- Job security - increased reliance on external resources
- Single point of failure - customer is reliant on WAN for NSM data
- \$\$\$ - dedicated WAN drives cost
- \$\$\$\$ - subscriptions can exceed \$20,000 per month

Built in-house NSM Approach



Is There A Better Approach?

Time to Value

- **IMPLEMENTATION**
 - Appliance
 - Distribution / Deployment
 - Integrated Software
- **SOFTWARE UPGRADES**
- **LEARNING CURVE**

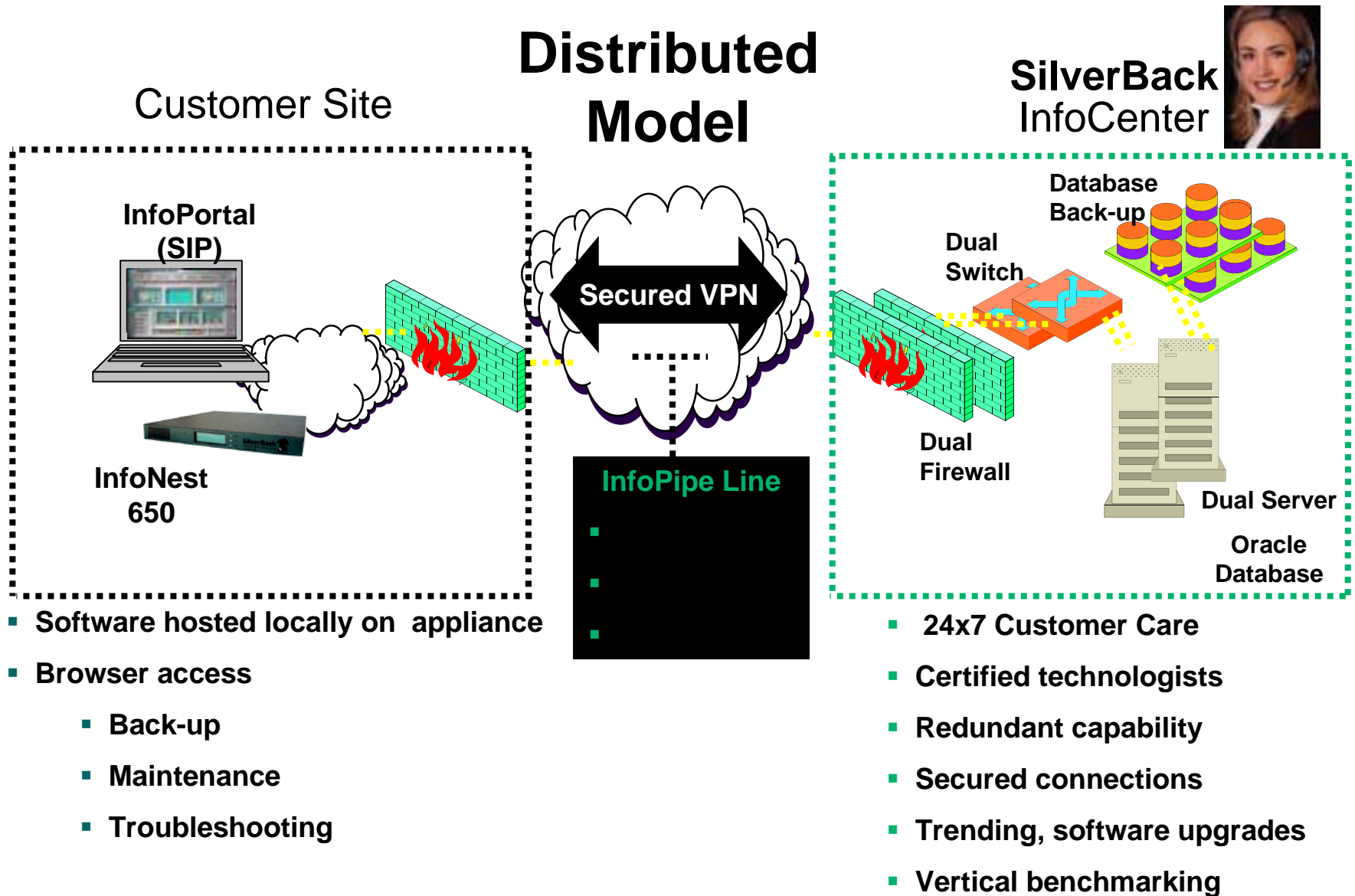
Ease of Use

- **UNIFIED CONSOLE**
- **BREADTH OF COVERAGE**
- **PORTABILITY**

Price

- **INITIAL PURCHASE**
- **MAINTENANCE**
- **LABOR**

Software as a Solution



IT Monitoring in a Box

With Benefits!



“InfoNest 650”

- Software tools are hosted on the InfoNest 650
- IT monitoring software resides on the customer’s site
- IT polling and local storage takes place on the InfoNest 650
- InfoNest 650 software is maintained electronically by SilverBack

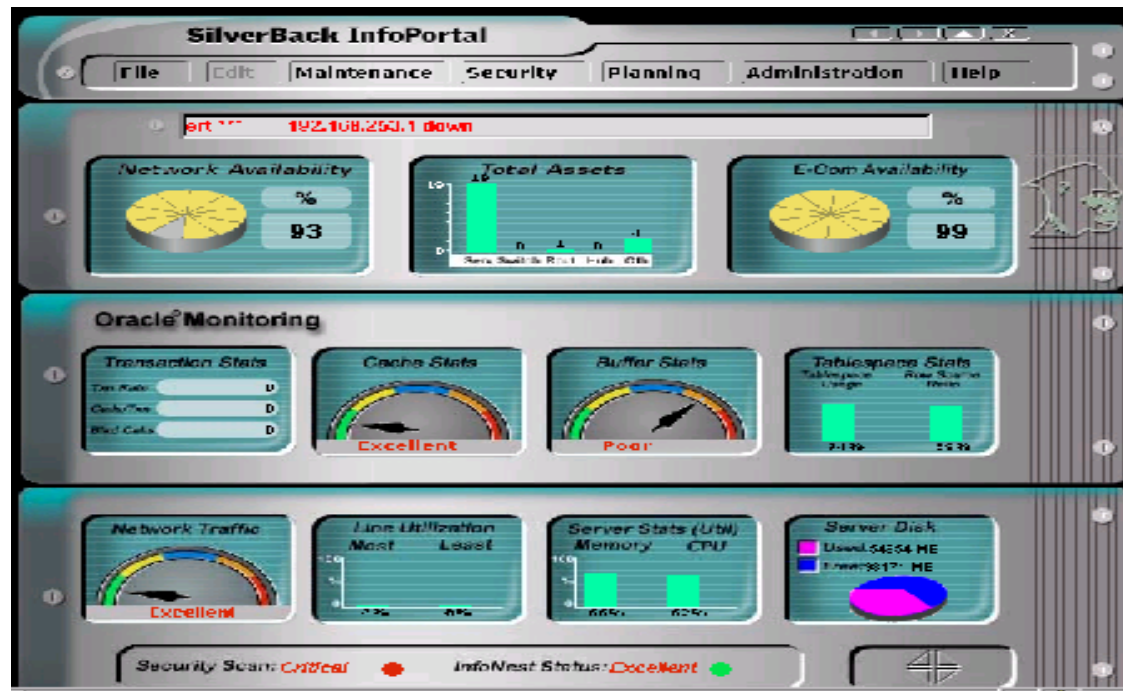
IT Through a Single Dashboard

Single, unified view:
many apps; one view

Attritionless management:
focus on strategic issues

Onsite
Hosting:
best of
both
worlds

Customer
control:
knowledge,
job is
retained



Service
breadth:
info in many
areas

SLA metrics:
are you
getting what
you paid for?

Risk reduction:
in both time and
implementation

Information, not data:
specific, timely &
actionable

Build vs. License

Own software, capital and operational costs **Software as a solution**

	<u>Own</u>	<u>License-Based</u>
NSM Software fault, asset, performance, security networks, systems, applications	\$44,900	☑
Maintenance	\$10,000	☑
Training	\$10,850	☑
Implementation	\$30,000	☑
Testing	\$25,000	☑
Development/Consulting	\$30,000	☑
2 Failed Implementations	\$21,600	☑
Monthly Updates	\$10,000	☑
Design	<u>\$18,000</u>	☑
Annual Costs	\$200,350	\$27,335 - \$54,335

Case Study - Atlanta-Based Utilities Company

NSM Requirements

- 450 managed devices
- IP-based networks
- NT & HP-UX servers

EXISTING SOLUTION

- Point tools to monitor networks, systems & applications
- Annual security audits (\$7,000)
- Separate maintenance contracts and upgrade processes

PAIN POINTS

- Too many tools
- Disparate interfaces
- Poor fault alerting capability
- No security scanning
- Can't keep up with patches and maintenance

CUSTOMER OPTION #1

- HP Openview = \$255,000
- Implementation = \$110,000 (6 mos.)

TOTAL COST = \$365,000

“QOS at Fraction of Cost”

CUSTOMER OPTION #2

- InfoCare = \$4,000 per month
- Implementation included (1 day)
- Regular software upgrades included

Case Study - Chicago-Based Financial Firm

NSM Requirements

- 250 NT servers
- 250 HP-UX servers
- 200 IP devices

EXISTING SOLUTION

- Partially implemented CA Unicenter
- Point Tools
- Annual security audits (\$15,000)
- Separate maintenance contracts and upgrade processes

PAIN POINTS

- No proactive management
- No ability to monitor CPU, memory & Disk
- No capacity planning capability
- No security scanning capability

CUSTOMER OPTION #1

- CA-Unicenter – \$1,000,000,000 +
- Implementation – NT/HP-UX agent deployment issues (6-9 mos.)

“Time to Value”

CUSTOMER OPTION #2

- InfoCare = \$177,000
- Implementation included (2 days)
- Software upgrades included
- TOTAL COST = \$48,000

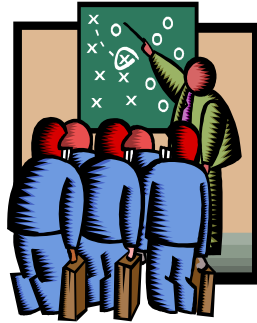
Cost-Efficient Time to Value

Consultants/
integrators



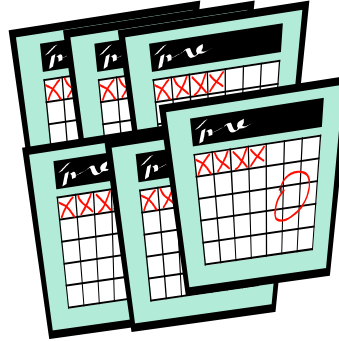
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Whole
team



+

6 to 12
months



+

Cap-ex/
big bill



SilverBack



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One person



+

One day



+

Pennies
a day



THANK YOU !!

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