

## Data Center Architecture Overview



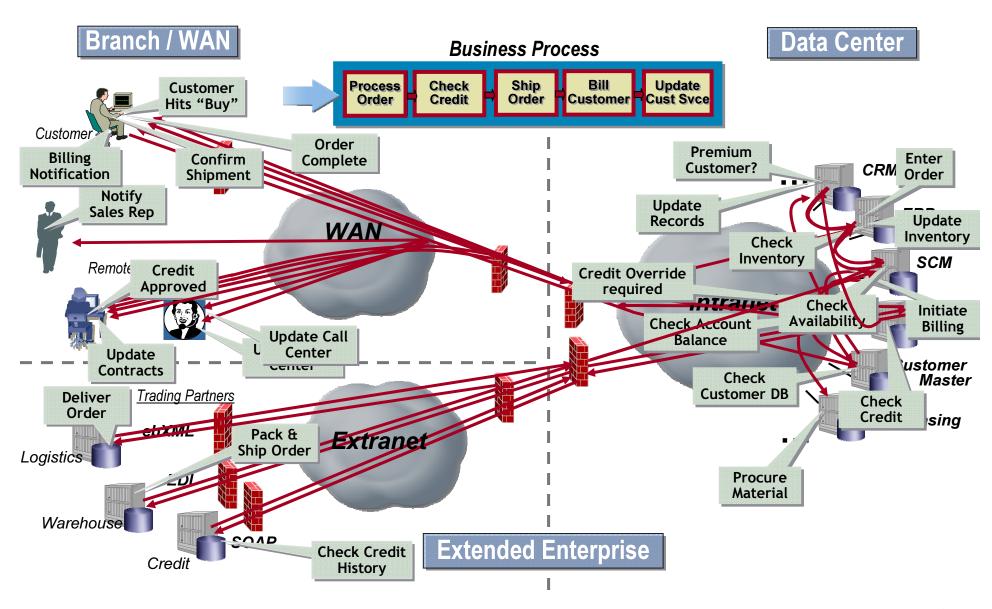
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# **Any City....Any Data Center?**



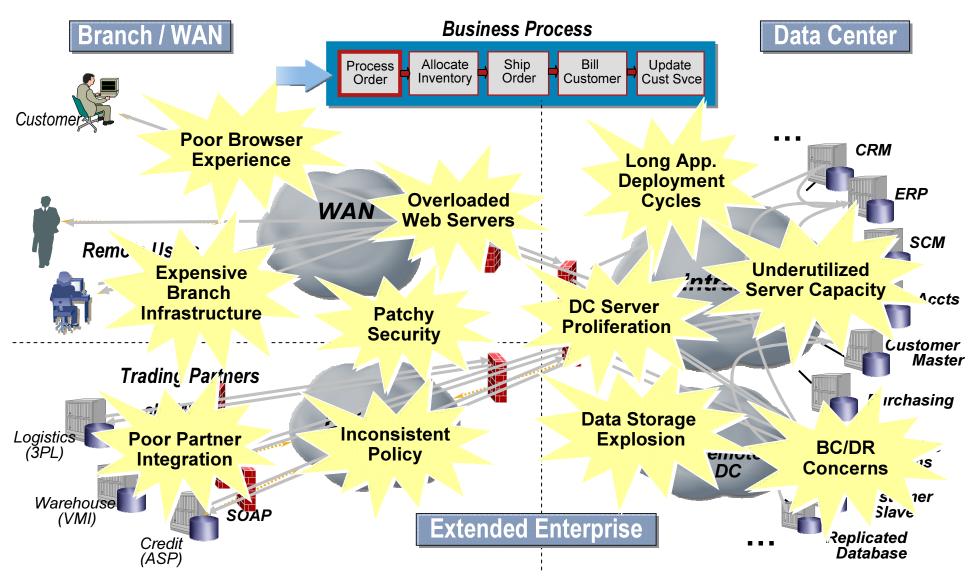
- Old & new
- Organic growth
- Different cultures
- Shared utilities
- A Human Network

# **Today's Business Processes are Complex**



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# IT Inefficiency Affects both the Customer Experience and the Business



# The Issue is Complexity of IT Infrastructure







































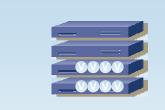








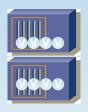




Web/Application Server Farm



IBM Mainframe With OSA



Blade Servers



Departmental Servers



Email, File & Print



Storage & Backup



Point Appliances

- Siloed Applications, Departments, Information, Devices don't collaborate
- Complex, Heterogeneous Infrastructure driving Cost, Efficiency, Agility
- New developments driving additional demands on Infrastructure

# **Data Center Challenges Are Everywhere**



- "IT Runs the Business Downtime is Not an Option"
  "I Want to See More Business Value out of IT"
- "Our Applications are the 'Face' of our Business" "It's all About Keeping the Application Available"
  - "As Long as My Servers Are Up I'm OK"
  - "We Have Too Many Underutilized Servers"
- "Our Information is our Business. We Need to Protect our Data Everywhere in transit and at rest"
- "I Can't Keep Up with The Amount of Storage that Needs to be Backed Up, Replicated and Archived"
- "I Need to Provide Lots of Bandwidth between Data Centers, and Make Sure Users Can Get to the Apps"

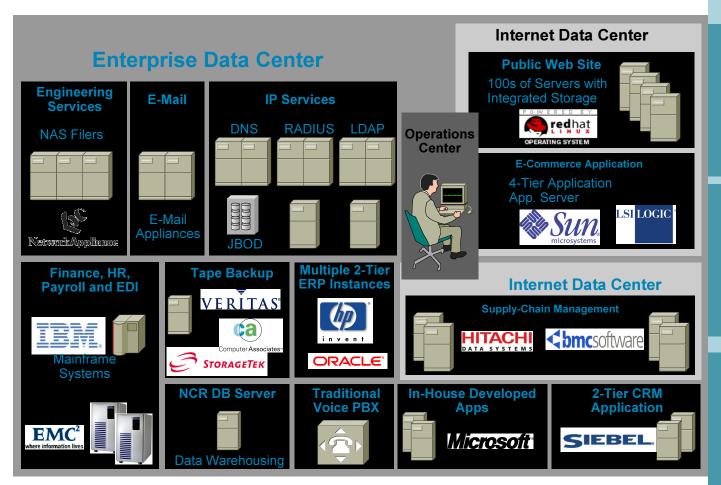
# Tackling Business Challenges Where to Invest?

70% of the IT Budget for *Maintenance* 30% Available for *Assets and Innovation*\*



\*Source: Gartner - IT Infrastructure, And The Shift To "Real-Time" Feb, 2005

# The Typical Enterprise Data Center



# Current Infrastructure

#### TCO

**Under-utilized Resources** 

Operational Complexity and Inefficiency

#### **RESILIENCE**

Inconsistent Security

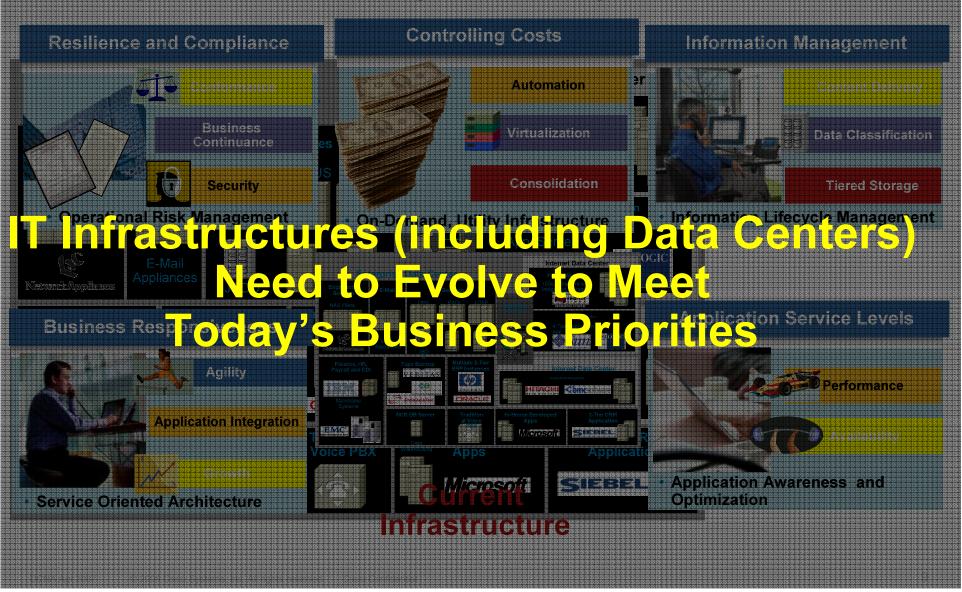
**Inconsistent DR** 

#### **AGILITY**

**Isolated Application Silos** 

**Rigid Infrastructure Silos** 

Major IT Challenges Today



# **Key Data Center Infrastructure Challenges and Trends**

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Business Challenges

Controlling Costs

**Application Service Levels** 

Business Responsiveness

Compliance and Resilience

Information Management

# New Infrastructure

#### TCO

Highly-utilized Pooled Resources Standard Operating Environment Dynamic Provisioning

#### **RESILIENCE**

Integrated, Multi-layer Security

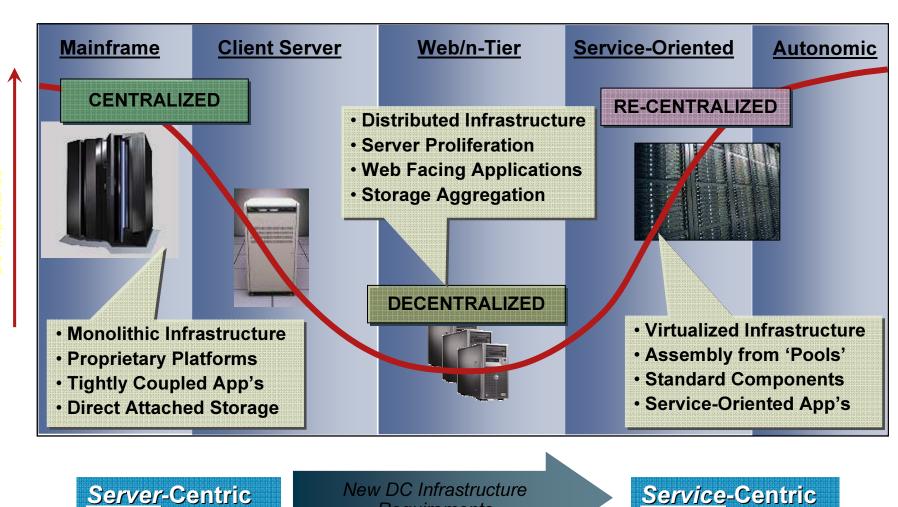
Tiered Storage and Business Continuance

#### **AGILITY**

Service Oriented Architecture and Infrastructure

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# The Data Center is Evolving (again)



New DC Infrastructure Requirements

Service-Centric

# **Data Center Strategic Initiatives**



#### **Extend the Value of the Current Operational Model**

- Lower Operating Costs
- Infrastructure Resilience
- Power and Cooling

- Application Delivery
- Holistic Security
- Compliance

**Enabled by: Consolidation, Virtualization** 



#### Improve IT Effectiveness in the New Environment

- Event- and Policy-Driven Real-Time Infrastructure
- Unification of Components, Networks, Communications
- Streamlined Business Processes, IT as a Service

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# Where the Network is Going Today

**Everything over IP** 

All Services Virtualized



**Everything on Ethernet** All Devices Networked

# **Data Center Network Strategy and Evolution**



Scale

**Performance** 

**Density** 

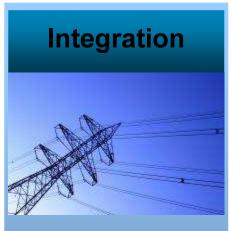
**Availability** 

Operational Manageability

**Investment** Protection



- ImmediatePower Savings
- Service Velocity
- Opex Alignment
- Capital Asset Utilization Improvement



- Single Unified Network Fabric
- Real-Time Provisioning Capabilities
- Data CenterClass Platforms
- Integrated
   Services





- Net-Centric
   Server Evolution
- Virtual Machine Integration
- Inline Data Protection
- Separation of Policy and Forwarding

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# **How Can the Network Help?**

#### Consolidation





Server





Highly Available and Modular Switching Platforms



Storage





Director and Fabric-Class FibreChannel Switches with Intelligent Fabric Services



Data Center Facilities





Optical and WAN Networking to extend distance and link facilities

# **Enterprises are Already Seeing Results**

#### **Network Enabler**



Highly Available and High Density Switching Platforms

#### Results...



AIG Reduced the number of servers while driving utilization to >80%

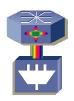


Director and Fabric-Class FibreChannel Switches with Intelligent Fabric Services



Over a petabyte of online storage added in FY2005 while reducing the storage budget by \$10M

TCO per GB of Storage improved by 70%



Optical and WAN Networking to extend distance and link facilities



HP announced DC Consolidation of 85 Facilities to 6. Projected over \$1B in savings.

Stock Valuation rose 4% on the news.

# The Network is Ready for the Journey

#### **Consolidation**

# Virtualization, Integration, Automation



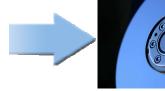
Server



Virtual Machines



Storage



Virtual SANs
Storage Volume Virtualization
Virtualized Fabric Services



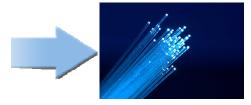
Data Center Facilities



Active-Active Online Facilities Service Transparency



Network



DC-Class Systems

Unified Network Fabric – Core/Edge

Dynamic Network Server/Service Provisioning

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# Migration into the Network is not New







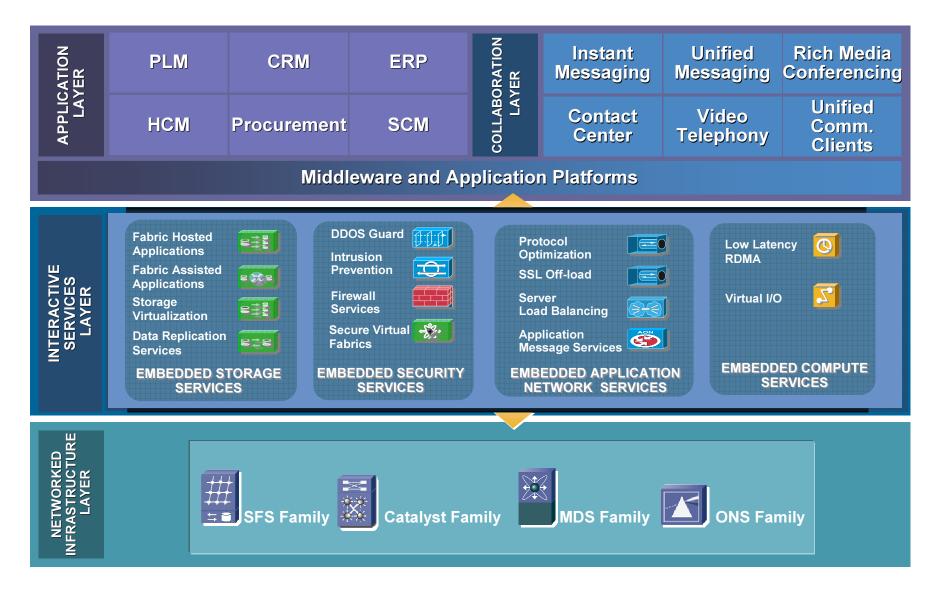


# Taking a Solutions Approach



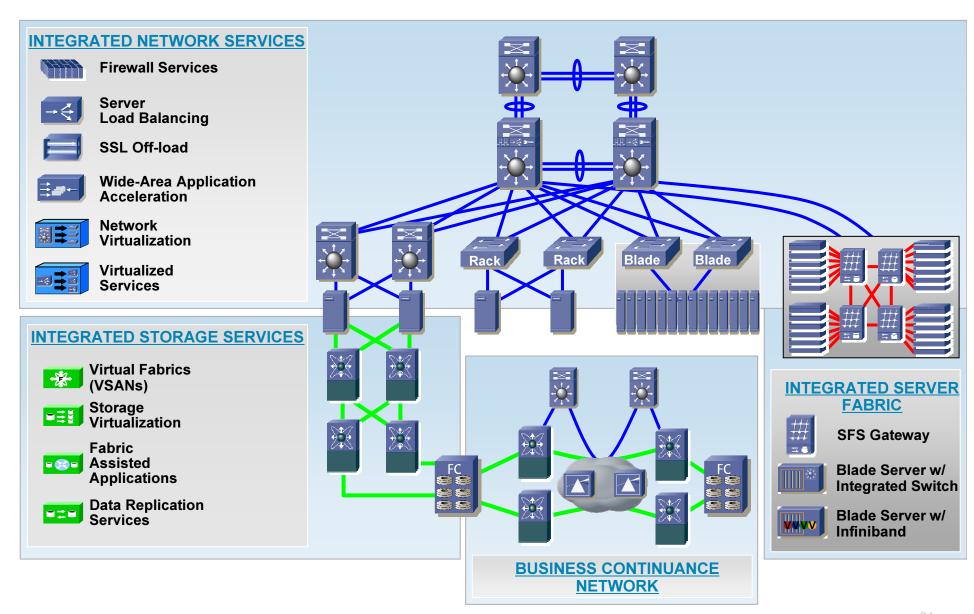
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#### The Data Center is a Proof Point for SONA



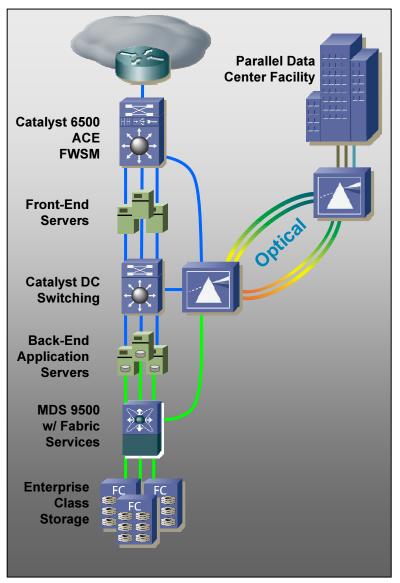
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## **End to End Data Center Systems/Solutions**



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### **End-to-End Business Continuance Solution**



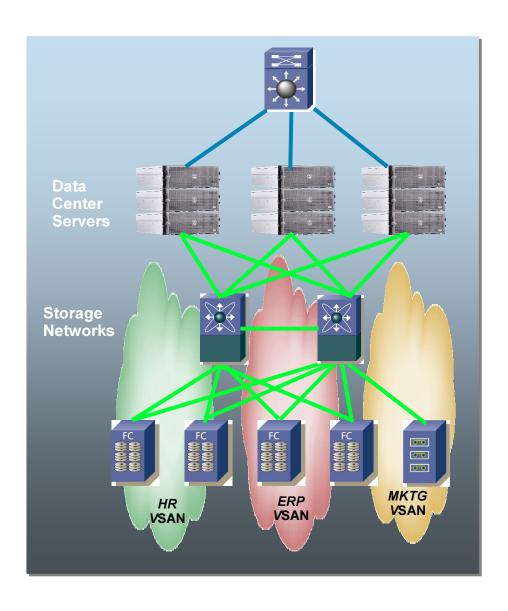


Customers Are Moving to an Active-Active Architecture
Wherever Practical

- Any to Any Recovery
- Scales Across Segments and Customer Types
- Certified Low Risk Approach

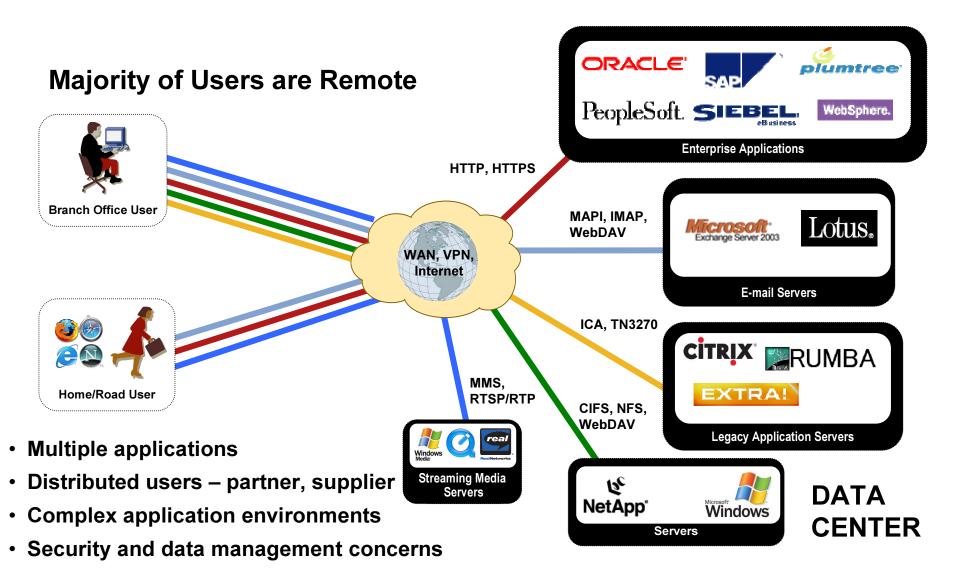
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## SAN Storage Consolidation & Virtualization

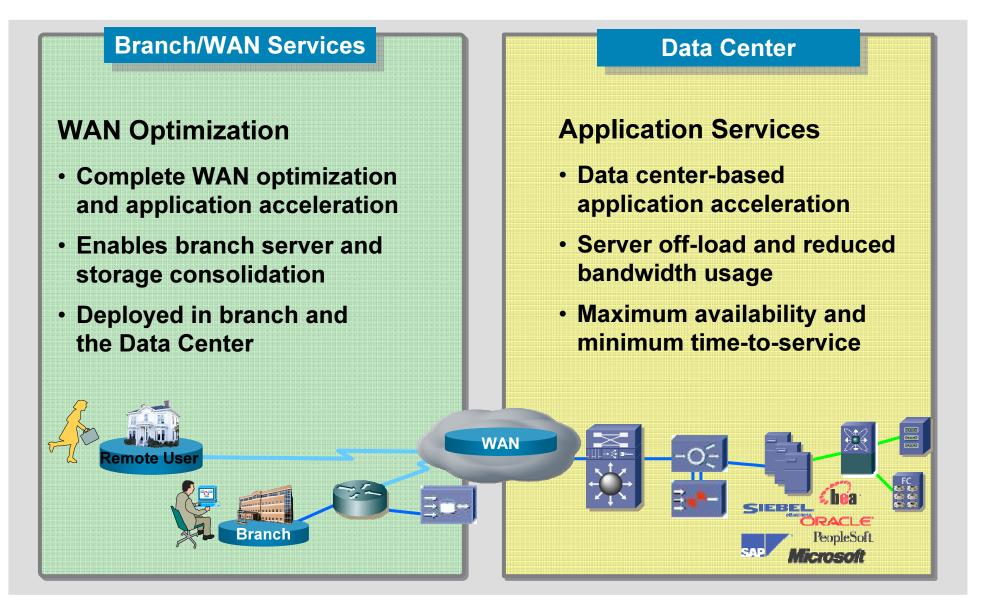


- Storage Networks allow sharing and Consolidation of Disc & Tape across multiple servers
- Utilization increased to ~50%
- Leads to SAN Proliferation and 'Islands' based on capacity
- Virtual SANs (VSANs) allow the further consolidation and virtualization of SAN islands into a large common resource pool
- Utilization increases to ~70%

# **Application Delivery Cisco Application Optimization**

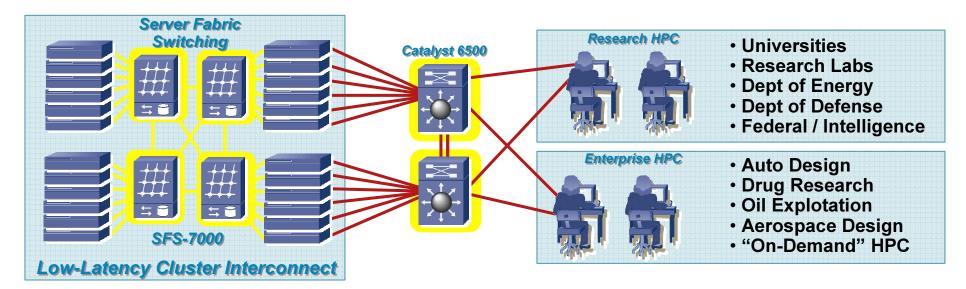


# Cisco Application Networking Services



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#### **Cost Effective High Performance Computing** Solution: Standards-based High Performance Computing



#### Lower Cost High Performance Computing

- High performance, low latency, low cost interconnect -Infiniband and/or Gigabit Ethernet
- Proven scalability to 4000 nodes
- Standards-based
- Servers transparently replaced for continuous operation
- Prove interoperability with major server vendors

# Getting the Journey Started



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# **Data Center Networking Action Plan**

Decide on the end-state data center:

What should the data center be in five years?

Identify main immediate challenges and initiatives:

Consolidation, business continuance, virtualization, on-demand, etc.

Develop data center networking strategy:

Data center and network stakeholders engage

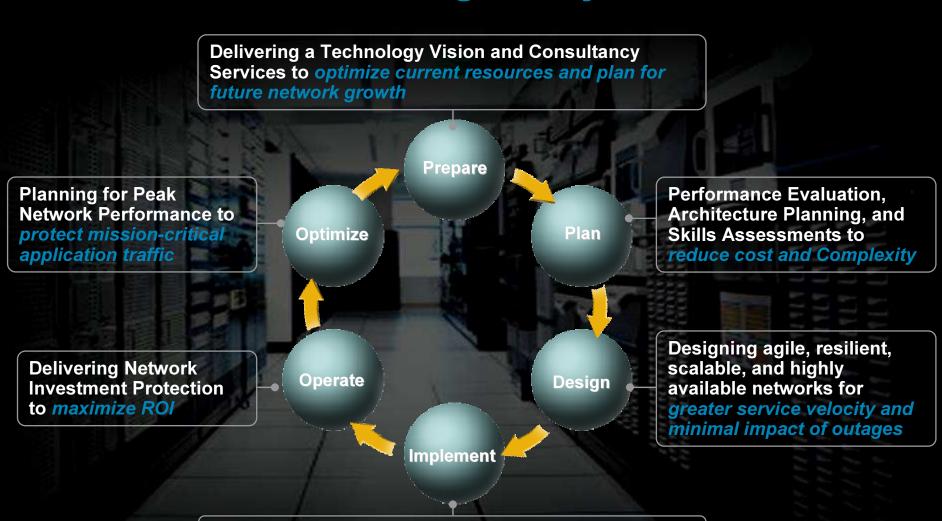
Supports data center short- to long-term goals and initiatives

Engage with Cisco and partners:

Plan, design, deploy, implement, operate and optimize



## **Data Center Networking Lifecycle Services**



Deploying best practice configurations for easier manageability of networks

## In closing Data Center Strategic Initiatives



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# **Questions?**



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