Blade Servers & Virtualization State of the Industry

Industry Address

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(1) Scales poorly (2) Difficult to manage (3) Reliability is questionable (4) Management costs out of control



DC Infrastructure Nightmares Driving Closure

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Blade Infrastructure:Local Area Grid (LAGC)















Blade Servers: Vendor Positioning Indexted

(As of Oct 2006 - See IMEX Blade Servers Industry Report 2007 for latest data)



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Delivery (Execution)



Blades - TCO Savings & ROI

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3 Year TCO Savings Rack vs. Blade Servers





Power/Cooling Spending to rise dramatically to 40%

Power & Cooling Spending to rise to 40% of Total DC Spending by 2010







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Where does the power go in Data Centers ? Electricity Lighting, etc. Transformer/ 3% UPS 10% Air Movement-12% **IT Equipment** 50% Source: AP Cooling 25% Source: Emerson Liebert Hot air Temp F Speed fpm 17.41 1 87.785 11155 Cold Cold aisle aisle AC AC fot aisk aisle Cool air Computer Simulation using widely available software Many techniques, methodologies and equipments (e.g. Fluent Airpack Ansys CFD ...) to verify from air cooling to liquid assisted cooling available

form a variety of vendors and Consultants (Email imex@imexresearch.com for more info and Assessment of competitive vendor products, consultants Source: IBM 2005

I data center power & cooling integrators)

Cooling Designed is the most cost effective before commiting to final implementation.









HPC Interconnect – Leaders





Market Segments by Application Sying Prohibited © 2007 IMEX Research



HPC – From Academia to Wall St to Hollywood

High Performance Computing

Commercial Visualization

Bioinformatics Decision-Support En Systems

Entertainment Audio/Video OnDemand

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100+ Teraflops



Rendering (Texture & Polygons)

> Throughput = 1.2 GB/s





Data rate & capacity



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Genesis of Virtualization & Grid Computing

CFO vs. CIO - Shocking Observations

- IT Infrastructure Investments yet to achieve TCO/ROI Financial Objectives
- Expected Boost in Corporate Productivity not Visible
- Post 2000 Dictum: Do More with Less

Reason – IT Spiral

- Web Growth > New Apps Mushroom
 > Lo Cost Windows Servers Sprawl (Tier-1)
- Business Growth > More Computing Power > Applications/DB Servers Sprawl (Tier-2,3)



- More Servers > 1 Storage >1DC Facilities >1 IT Support > 1IT Staff
- More Low Cost Servers > 5% Utilization >Scale Out Infrastructure
- IT Costs ≠ Business Growth



Next-Gen Data Center - Observations Prohibited

- WW, there are 5.1 million data centers (you are not alone)
- Now costs \$100-175M to build a large data center
 - ~\$1005/Sqft, \$40,000/Rack, \$2,500/Server, 2.5U
 - 82% of installed equipment (Srvr,Stg,Ntwk) has only10% utilizn.
 - For every \$1 invested in new IT infrastructure, \$7 spent to maintain
 - For every \$1 in new Server spending, 50c spent on Power & Cooling /2006
 - Virtual Servers growth will outstrip growth of Physical servers by 50% with an associated rise in managing virtual servers
 - Blades increasing Power/Rack by 10x Need Power/Cooling, Weight, Solutions to pursue



Implementing Virtualization

Client Workstations LAN Ethernet Switches Application & DB Servers SAN GbE or FC Switches Storage Arrays At Various Levels Microprocessor – Intel VT, AMD-Pacifica OS

- zOS, pOS, UNIX, Windows, Linux
- IBM, HP, Sun, VMWare, Xen, SWSoft

File System

- DFS

Networking

- Multiport

Storage

- Host, SAN, Controller
- In-Band, Out-of-Band Management





Hypervisor model



O/S Virtualization



- Each application is contained by its own Operating System instance
- The Virtualization layer is tasked with spoofing each OS into believing its is the only OS on the system
- Users can mix and match guest OS's with various versions of Windows or Linux.
- Major Players: VMWare, Microsoft, Xen
- A single OS hosts multiple applications.
- The Virtualization layer handles resource allocation between applications
- The VZ layer also provides protection to the host OS so that a misbehaving application does not cause problems for the system as a whole
 Major Players: SWSoft, Sun/Containers





Workloads Consolidation using VZ



• A single server 1.5x larger than standard 2-way server will handle consolidated load of 6 servers.

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- VZ manages the workloads + important apps get the compute resources they need automatically w/o operator intervention.
- Physical consolidation of 15-20:1 is easily possible
- Reasonable goal for VZ x86 servers - 40-50% utilization on large systems (>4way), rising as dual/quad core processors becomes available
- Savings result in Real Estate, Power & Cooling, High Availability, Hardware, Management



Data: Dan Olds, Gabriel Consulting

TCO Savings with Virtualization

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Virtualization Players by Category Copying Pr

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App VZ	OS	Processor	PC	Servers	Storage	Tools	
Appistry	Fedora	AMD	Altiris	Akimbi Syste	Cloverleaf	Acronis	Sun
Data Synapse	Novell	Intel	AppStream	AppStream	Compellent*	Altiris	Surgient
	OpenVZ		Ardence	Ardence	Datacore	BladeLogic	VizionCore
	Red Hat		Checkpoint	Egenera	EM C*	BMC SW	VMware
	Sun		Citrix	HP	FalconStor	CA	vThere
			Fujitsu	IBM	Fujitsu*	Cassatt	
			Fujitsu-Sieme	Microsoft	HDS*	Cirba	
			Hitachi	Parallels	HP*	Dunes	
			HP	Sun	IBM Tivoli	Ecora	
			IBM	SWsoft	IBM*	IBM	
			LeoStream	Virtual Iron	NetApp*	Microsoft	
			NEC	VMware	Netreon	Opsware	
			Parallels	Xen	SANRAD	Parallels	
			Platform		Storage Age	PHD	
			Microsoft		Sun/STK*	Plate Spin	
			Sun		Symantec	Platform	
			Wyse		Vicom	Scalent	





- Server Virtualization (VZ) now a mainstream technology
- VZ is turning Data Center strategies & core infrastructure upside down
- DC Professionals very happy with its future use
- VZ means "Doing More for Less" (finally making CFOs get off your back)
- Issues to be Resolved
 - VMs exploding Managing them a nightmare: needs more tools
 - Database Performance (one reason HP bought Polyserve)
- Follow SIVA[®] in executing your DC strategy
 - <u>Standardize</u> (Windows/Linux, GbE, IP Storage/iSCSI,SATA..)
 - Integrate (Blades, Management Tools..)
 - <u>Virtualize</u> (Infrastructure-uP,Servers, Storage, Networks,Clients w P2V tools)
 - <u>Automate</u> (Provide important Apps required resources automatically w/o intervention to TOPEX costs)
- Create VZ Justification: TCO Reduction of 60-70% over 3 years, ROI >58%
- Follow VZ in 3 phases
 - Ocnsolidation & Resource Sharing Oct HA/BC/DR, WkLd Balancing Oct Automation
 - Consolidate through VZ and Workload Management,
 - Reduce # systems Footprints & OS instances (↓OS Lic Costs, ↓ Mgmt Admin Costs)
 - Create Workload Mgmt based on Business Policies (Mission Critical, & DB Wklds)



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