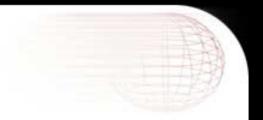
## E-dimension of Customer Service

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## Agenda



> 1) Introduction
> 2) Defining CRM
> 3) Research Findings
> 4) Trends and Predictions

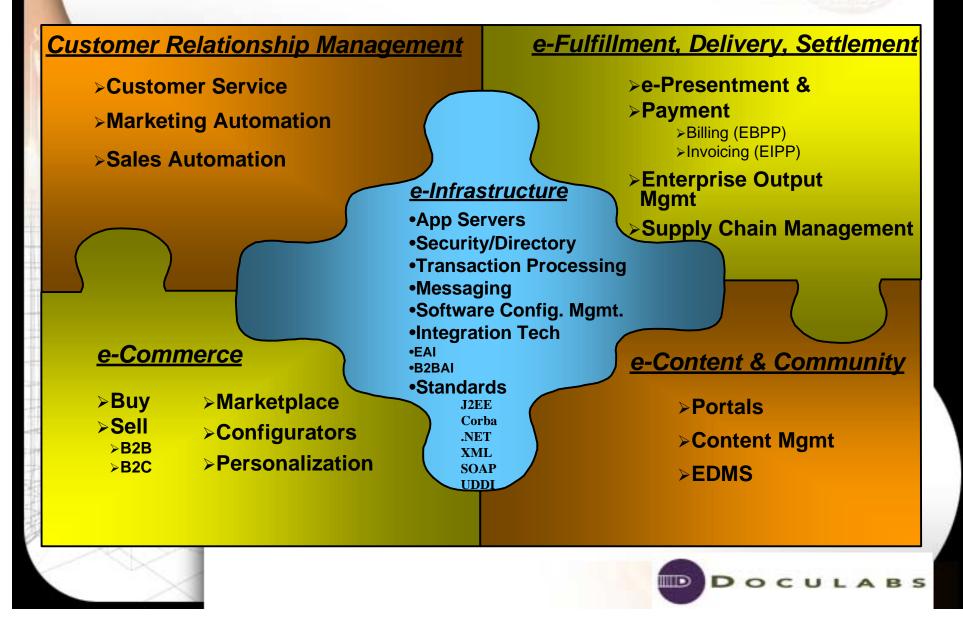


## **Corporate Introduction**

- Independent Research and Consulting Firm
- •Founded in 1993, based in Chicago
- Tightly Focused Emerging Technologies Practice
- •Commerce, Content, Fulfillment, Infrastructure
- •The "Consumer Reports" of eBusiness
- •Hands-on Solution Benchmarking

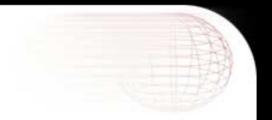
•Our research is distributed through InformationWeek, Forrester Research, and 22 different sites, journals and trade associations

### **Doculabs Research Areas- 2001**



# Defining CRM

## **Defining CRM**



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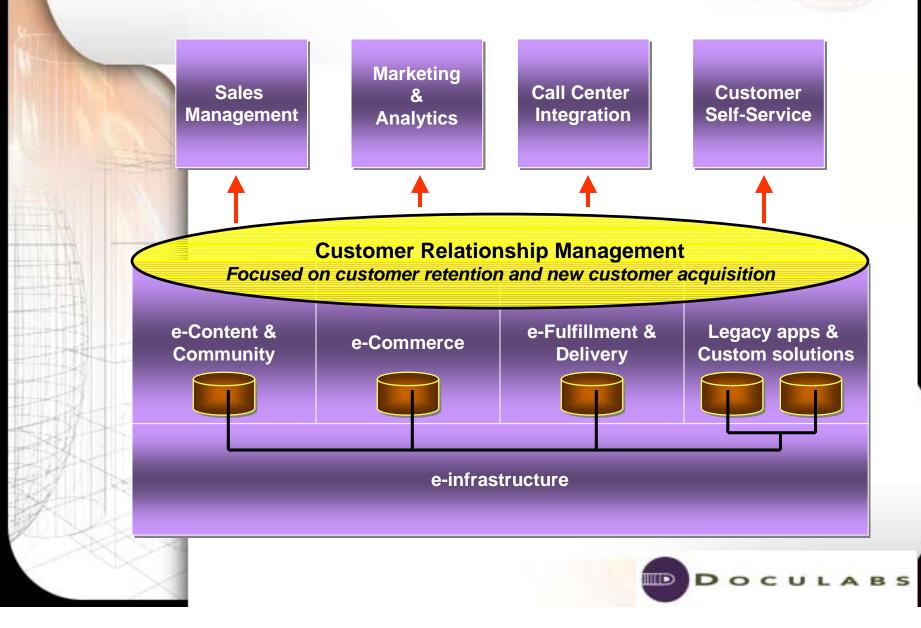
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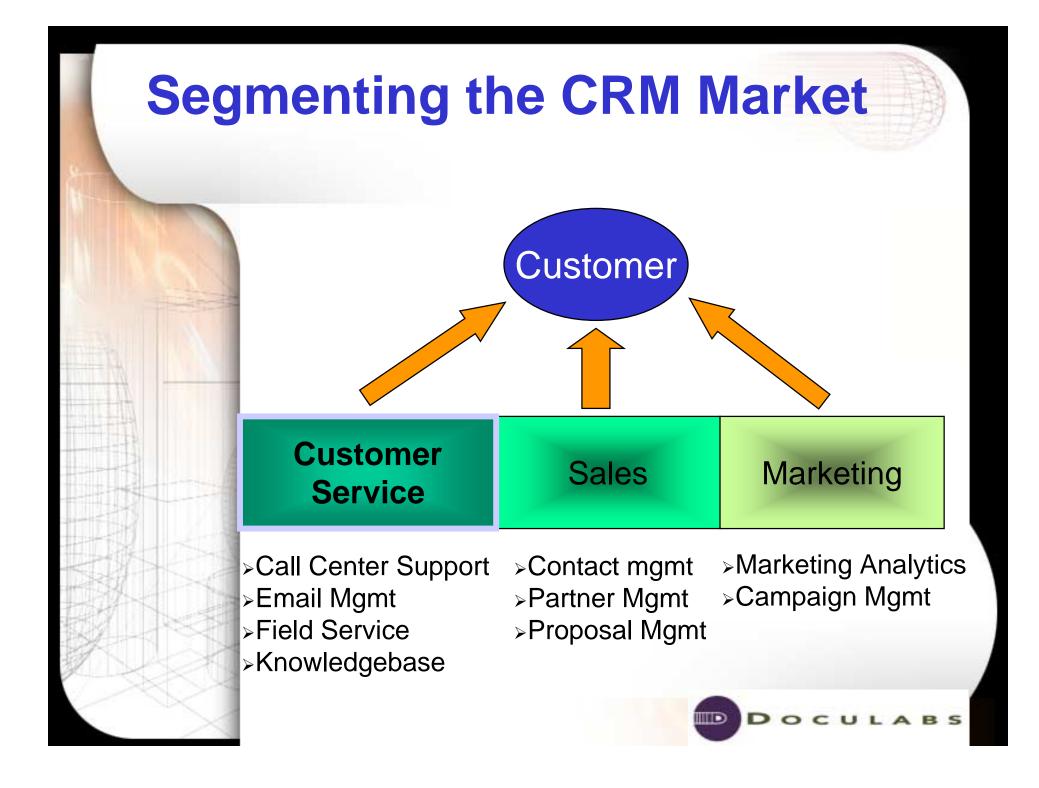
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of every area of the business that touches the customer – customer service, sales, and marketing

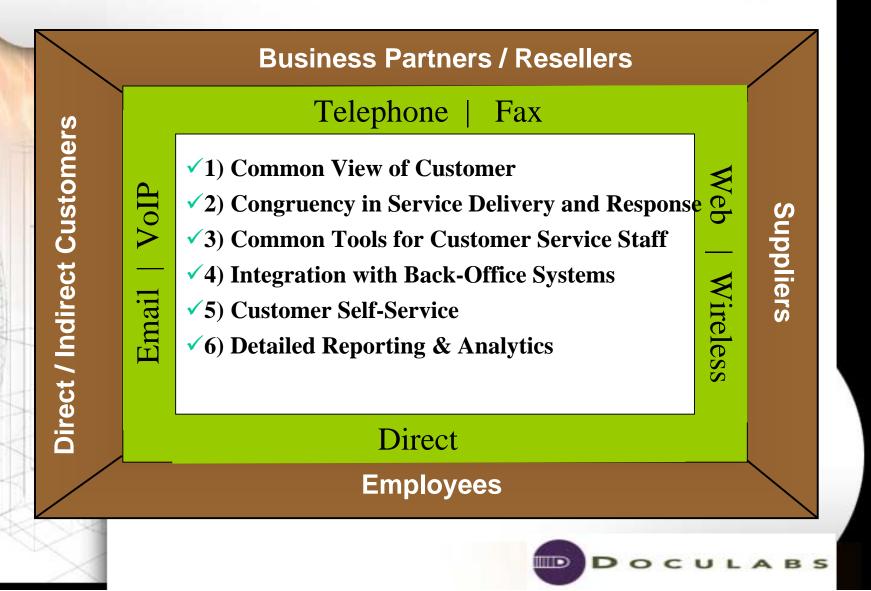


### **eBusiness Building Blocks**

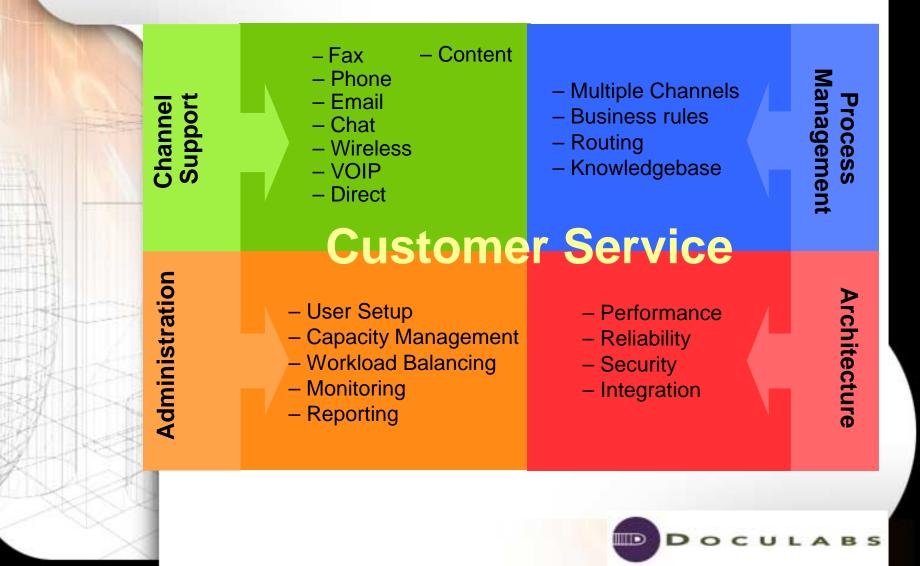




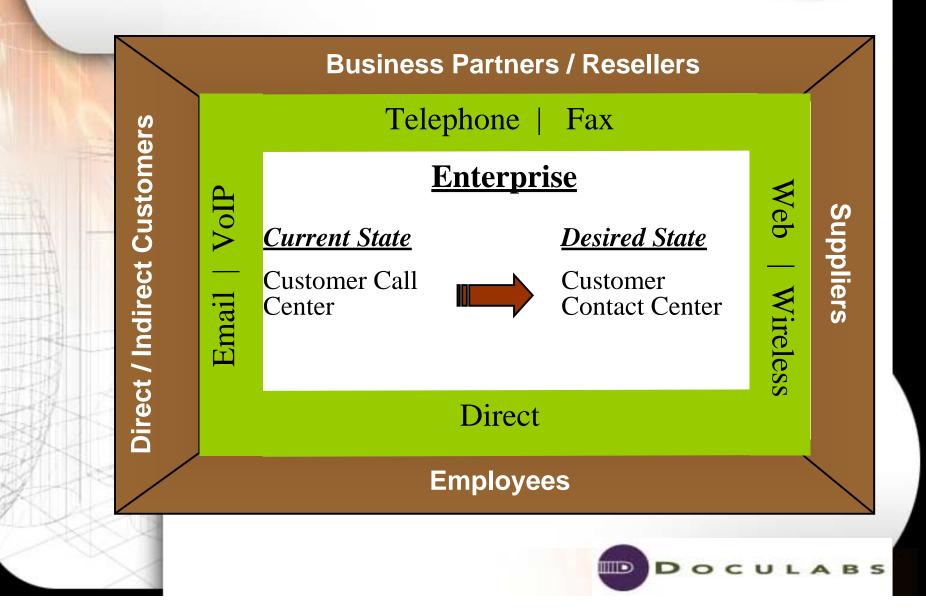
## Market Requirements for CRM



## **Key Application Components**



## **Reality-Based Business Scenario**



## **Research Findings**

## **Major Findings**



- 1) Progress in support of non-traditional channels
- 2) Focused on the transaction side of customer service
- 3) Limited extended enterprise support
- 4) Slow pace of open standards support



## **Doculabs' CRM Radar-Screen**

- Applix
- Aspect
- Avaya
- Broadbase >
- Cisco
- Delano
- eGain

- > E.piphany
- Harte-Hanks
- Kana
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    - > Oracle
    - > PeopleSoft

Current Study Participant

- Pivotal
- Quintus
- Remedy
- Servicesoft
- Siebel
- > Talsima
- Trilogy

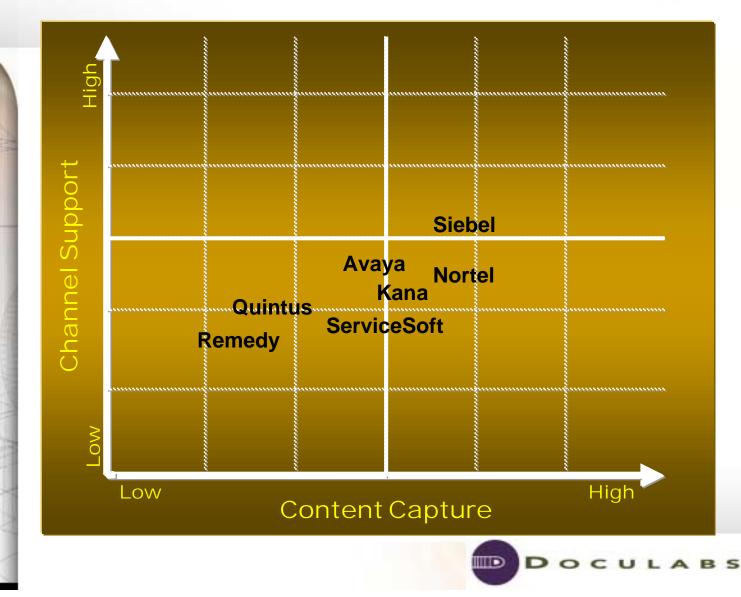


#### Considerations for Channel Support & Content Capture

- > 1) What channels does your organization currently use to provide customer service? In 6 months?
- 2) What level of support do agents require if additional channels are introduced?
  - 3) To what degree, has your organization consolidated customer information (e.g. billing, account)?

4) What level of support and access to customer information does your customer service operations require?

#### Research Findings: Channel Support & Content Capture



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- > 1) Progress in supporting non-traditional channels
- 2) Limited support for capturing and incorporating information outside service applications
- > 3) Integration with bulk data mapping and transformation tools

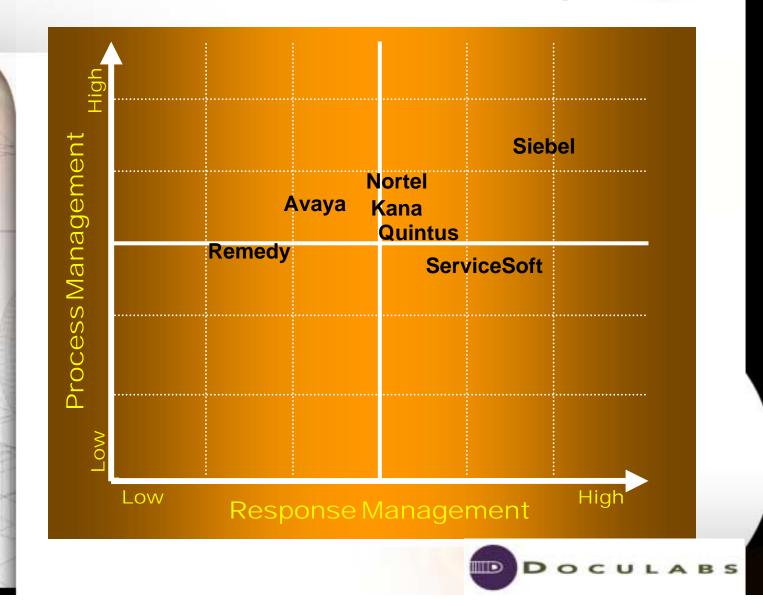


### **Considerations for**

### **Process & Response Management**

- > 1) Do my business partners, (e.g. distributors, resellers, suppliers) have a role in my customer service operations today? In 6 months?
- > 2) How is customer service knowledge managed and maintained within and across my organization?
- > 3) What are the critical self-service capabilities that provide the greatest benefit to my customers? Agents?

#### Research Findings: Process & Response Management



#### **Research Findings:**

### Process & Response Management

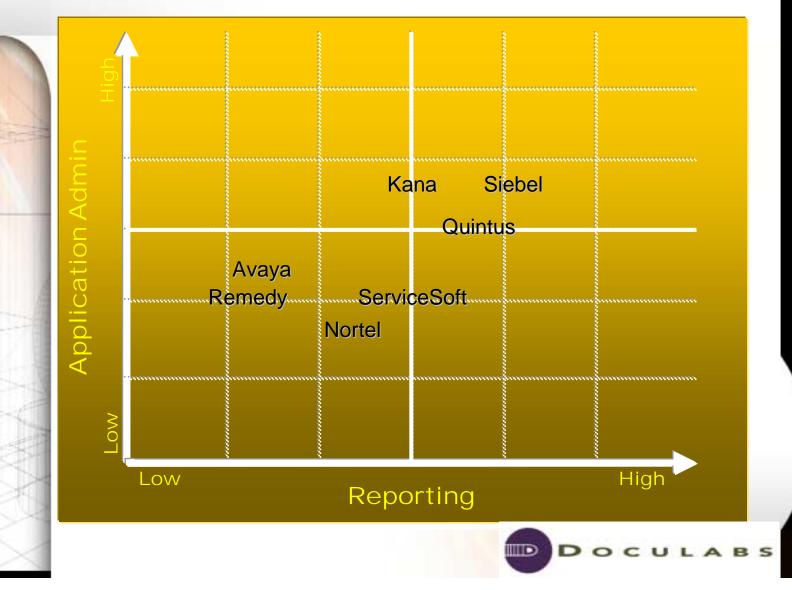
- > 1) Progress in supporting LOB personnel with graphically-based business design tools
- > 2) Limited support for/integration with knowledgebase vendors
- > 3) Limited application accessibility to extended enterprise



#### Considerations for Application Admin. & Reporting

- > 1) What level of involvement is required today from LOB personnel to manage workloads, service workflows? In 6 months?
- 2) What are the critical measures my organization has identified for evaluating service center performance? Agent performance?

#### Research Results: Application Admin. & Reporting



#### Research Findings: Application Admin. & Reporting

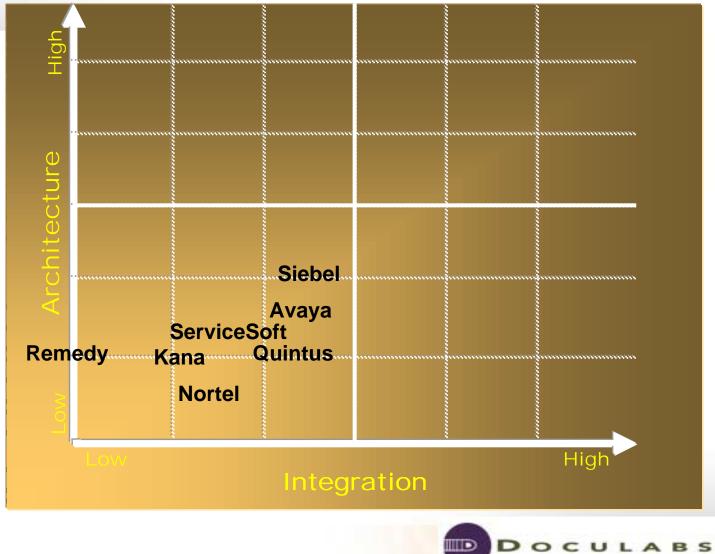
- > 1) Progress in moving away from scriptbased administration to graphical based
- > 2) Limited support for multiple methods of workload balancing
- > 3) Lack of web browser-based client interfaces for administration



### Considerations for Architecture & Integration

- > 1) What level of development support/skills exist within my organization for customizing and extending the service application?
- > 2) What critical systems and interface points are required for customer service?
- > 3) What integration approach(s) has my organization adopted?

#### **Research Findings: Architecture & Integration**



#### **Research Findings: Architecture & Integration**

- > 1) Slow migration from client-server to open-standards and object based architectures
- > 2) Limited B2B enterprise application integration capability and support
- > 3) Limited productized integration with other systems

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### **Competitive Landscape**

	Channel Support	Content Capture	Process Mgmt.	Response Mgmt.	App. Admin	Reporting
Avaya	÷	+	0	a l	+	1
Kana	+	+	0	+	0	+
Nortel	÷	+	0	+	ı	ı
Quintus	+	+	+	+	+	+
Remedy	÷	+	+	1	+	+
ServiceSoft	1	+	+	+	+	+
Siebel	٥	0	0	0	0	0



## Trends & Predictions

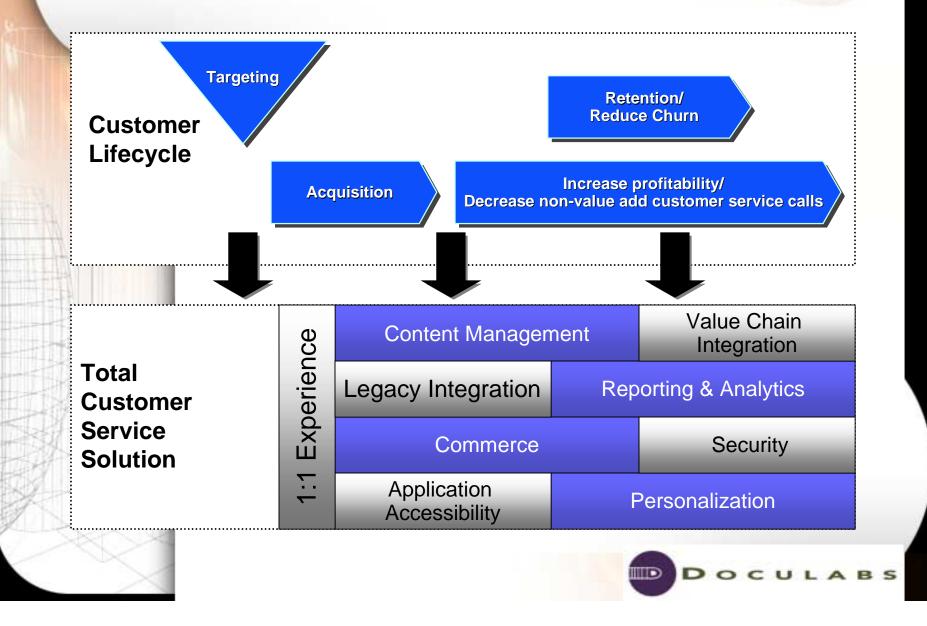
#### **Trends & Predictions**



- 1) Continued Evolution to Virtual Contact Centers
- 2) Strategic relationships with EAI and B2B application vendors
- 3) Key consolidations in customer service & marketing
- 4) Significant differentiator content management



## What your strategy should consider



#### For more information...

Doculabs analyst team is available for planning, selection, or exploiting CRM initiatives
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