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# **Applications Management:** *What's Out There for the Linux Industry?*

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# Dirig At-a-Glance

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## *Product Focus: Application Management for eBusiness*

- Located in Nashua, New Hampshire
- Founded Fall 1997
- Product Released Fall 1999; Current Release: 3.0
- 55 employees, 2 locations
- 20 customers; 30 sites
- First, complete eBusiness management solution capable of managing application server components
- Target markets – vertical enterprise markets (financial, health care, legal) large service providers/telcos, online businesses
- MSP Association Executive member
- Developer of Hewlett-Packard's Linux/Apache Smart Plug-In for HP OpenView





Linux developers are asking for additional management

# THE STATE OF '01 LINUX LIVE FREE OR DIE?

## With Release 2.4, Linux reaches the enterprise but still must prove itself as platform for all apps

By Peter Galli

**J**OHN ALBERG, VICE PRESIDENT of engineering at Employee Inc., is typical of many IT managers nursing budding relationships with the Linux operating system: He loves it; he loves it not.

Alberg loves it as a relatively stable platform for running selected enterprise applications. About a year ago, the Atlanta-based human resources application service provider switched from Windows NT to Linux on its application server layer, where it has some 25 dual- and quad-processor Dell Computer Corp. PowerEdge application servers. "This is basically the workhorse of our



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network, and we switched primarily due to stability issues," Alberg said. "Our system is about 100 times more stable now than it was with NT."

That was a big step. But Alberg isn't ready to consider making Linux the platform for all his enterprise applications. First, he wants to see better security and proven SMP (symmetric multiprocessing) scalability.

"Linux does not yet have the extensive security features of some of its Unix competitors, like Sun's Solaris," Alberg said. "We use Solaris on the external proxy layer that is exposed to the Internet. I want wholehearted vendor endorsement and a couple... (continued on Page 24)



# What application management is not...

- It is not Network Management
  - Infrastructure, connectivity, etc.
  - HP OpenView, Aprisma, Micromuse, CA, Tivoli, Entuity, BB4, Atipa, etc.
- It is not Network Monitoring
  - Historical reporting on network infrastructure
  - Infovista, Trinagy, Quallaby, Concord, Opticom
- It is not just Systems Management
  - CPU, memory, disk, etc.
  - Tivoli, Caldera, CA, Enlighten, BMC, Concord

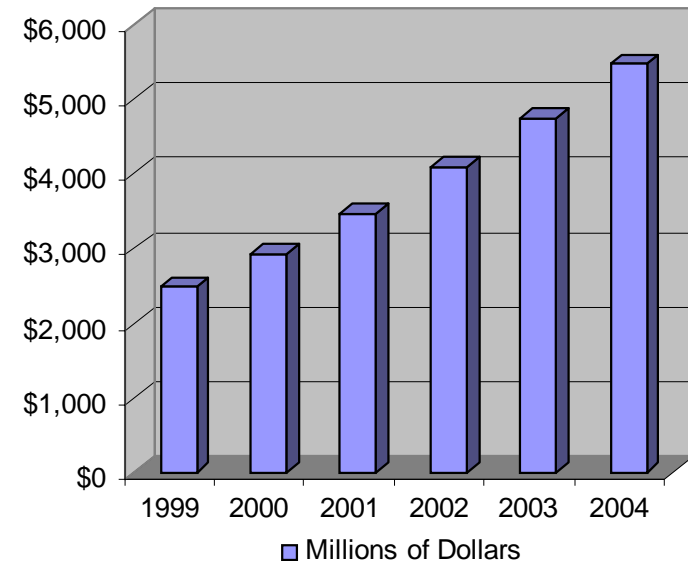
# Application Management is...

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- Monitor, meter and manage applications and their systems
- Ensuring availability and improving performance
- Proactively predict and prevent application problems
- Identify root cause to correct and prevent downtime
- Acting on extracted data from within an application

**Availability & Performance Management Growth**

*Source: Gartner*



# We've heard the numbers...

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- 42 percent of Linux systems are running as Web servers;
- 24 percent of Linux systems are running as web infrastructure (messaging, file & print, caching and proxy servers)

## SERVER MARKET SHARE

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2003</u>
Windows	23.8%	36.8%	44.5%
Linux	6.0%	23.8%	36.7%
Netware	29.9 %	18.0 %	9.5 %
Unix	18.6 %	14.8 %	8.9 %

Source: IDC, 2000

# The OS of choice for the Internet

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Netcraft, Inc. ([www.netcraft.com](http://www.netcraft.com)), states that as of May 2000, 30 percent of all public Web sites run on Linux-based operating systems, making Linux the most popular choice for deploying public Web sites.

IDC research shows 40 percent of all spending on Linux servers is for Internet related applications, firmly entrenching Linux servers in the Internet infrastructure.

*65 IBM Netfinity 4000R Servers  
running Apache on Linux*



[www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com)



# Demand from the Enterprise

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"Enterprise customers of Dell and IBM are asking for Linux capability. Those customers are beginning to recognize the value in implementing it (Linux) and you can bet the hardware vendors plan to comply."

Eric Klein, senior analyst,  
Yankee Group

By Howard Millman  
CNET Enterprise  
10/24/00





# Michael Dell – CEO Dell Computer

Dell Computer predicts that by 2003, 27% of the servers Dell sells will have Linux preinstalled. In the second quarter of 2000, 10% of Dell's server sales were Linux systems, up from 4% a year ago.



Source: Information Week

# Enterprise Acceptance

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## **IBM announces rollout of 15,000 Linux servers; More to come**

On November 2, IBM announced a deal with Japanese retailer Lawson to install and help maintain approximately 15,000 servers preloaded with Linux...

"Over the next six months, [IBM] will have a series of announcements in which large customers will be making significant commitments to Linux. We think the time is now for enterprise customers to make these commitments." Steve Solazzo, IBM's VP for Linux strategy and marketing. "This deal far exceeds the scope of any previous Linux use in the enterprise."

LinuxWorld: Nov 4, 2000



# The Growth is in Servers...

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IDC projects revenue for Linux-based servers to compound annually at a rate of 30 percent, making it the fastest-growing segment of that market.

Enterprise Linux Magazine – 9/2000

# Mission Critical Applications

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## **NetLedger Launches Powerful, Consolidated Data Center; Industry's Largest Deployment of Oracle on Linux**

NetLedger, Inc. announced the launch of a new, consolidated Data Center with increased capacity, more power, enhanced scalability and superior reliability. The new Data Center establishes NetLedger as the largest Linux installation of Oracle worldwide. The Data Center's platform is built on three breakthrough technologies: VA Linux Systems, Network Appliance, Inc., and Rainbow Technologies.

LinuxPR  
Mar 29, 2000



## ...and Applications

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- Apache Web Server – 60% market share
- IBM Websphere – Apache web server built-in
- MySQL
- SendMail – used by 80% of ISPs (Netcraft)
- BEA Weblogic
- Oracle 8i, Internet Application Server
- Lotus Domino
- iPlanet
- Zeus Web Server
- Allaire Cold Fusion

# The need is there...

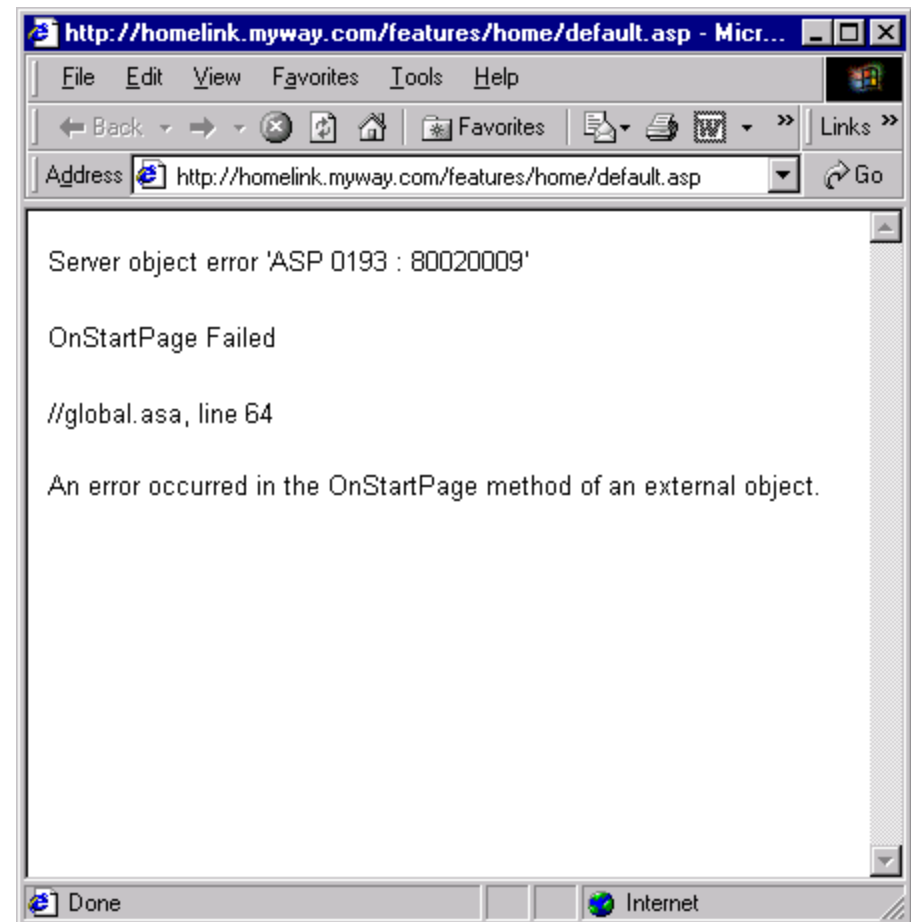
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*Linux still lacks the infrastructure necessary to make CIOs comfortable using it. – Dan Kusnetzsky, IDC*

- The network could still be operational...
- The Server could still be operational...
- The Application could still be operational...

***But...***

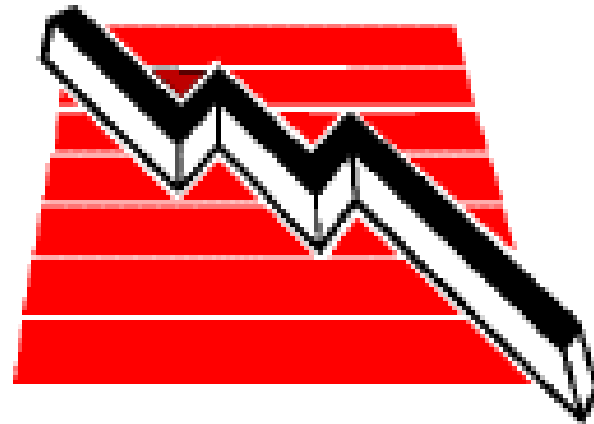
- Performance has degraded
- Connections dropped due to poor website response time
- Back-end database is offline



# Understanding the volatility of your business

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- Downtime
- Response Time
- IT Staff
  - Proactively manage an environment
  - Solve a problem before it exists
  - Present only the data needed to correct the abnormality
- Tie degradation of systems to revenue and or costs



# Evolution of IT Management

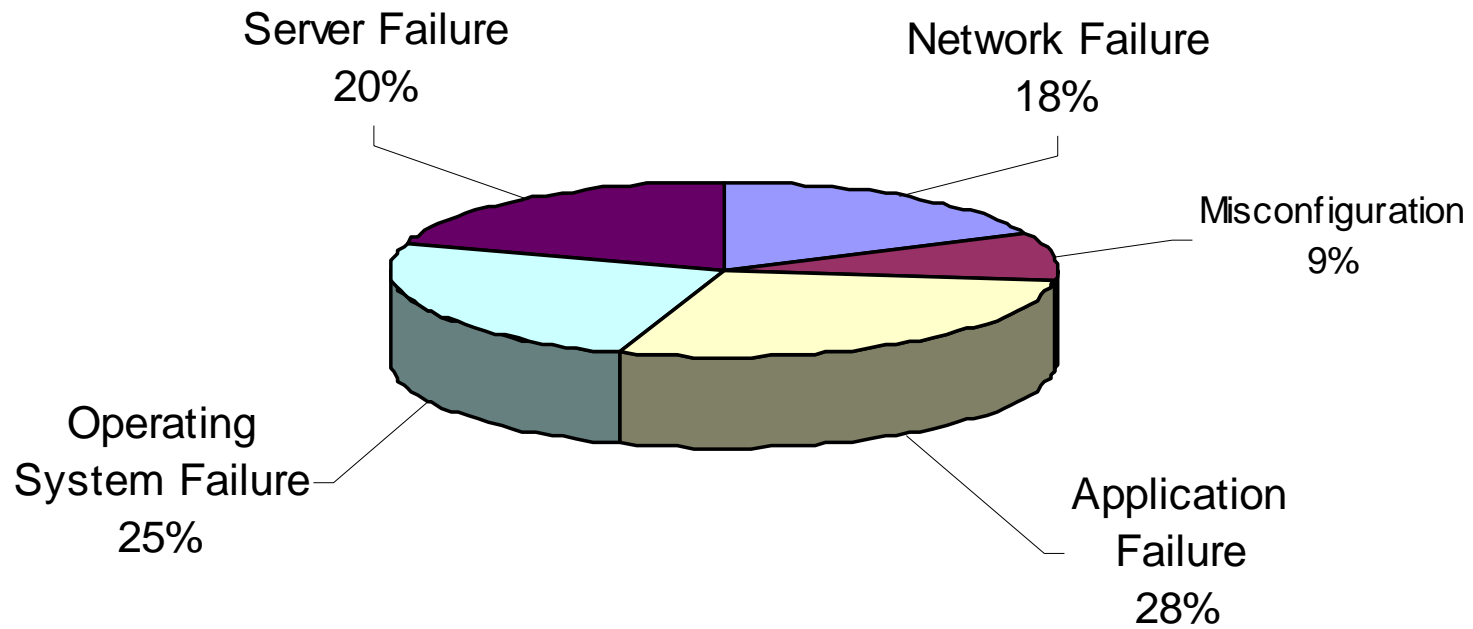
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- Network Management
  - Routers, hubs, switches, servers & desktops
- Application Management
  - Statistics from applications, outages, end-to-end response time
- Future...Component Management
  - Software objects that operate within an application server, each responsible for explicit tasks (i.e. credit card transaction verification)



# What's causing poor performance?

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Source: *Virtual Bricks II*, by Richard A. Juarez. a report by Robertson Stevens; joint report with IDC

# Unplanned Downtime Costs Millions

A recent IDC survey:

- Cost of downtime is more than \$4 million per year
- IT organizations experience 18 application failures per year
- Failures cost upwards of \$220,00 each

“New deployments on operating systems such as Linux predictably stress time to market over stability, performance and scalability, adding to the risk.”

Enterprise Linux Magazine – 9/2000



# What does app management get you?

## Greater control over your applications

- Automated corrective actions
- Provides rules, policies and/or actions for proactively managing a specific application
- Examples:
  - Start and restart services and/or processes
  - Monitor processes and restart if fails
  - Monitor and measure response times
  - Track performance counters
  - Monitor log files for patterns
  - Produce on-demand html reports
  - Throughput monitoring

# What's out there for Linux?

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- Search on Application Management
  - Linux Magazine online = 0 matches found
  - Linux Journal online = 0 matches found
- Linuxcare's website
  - 91 links for System Monitoring tools.  
Not one for Application Management
- LinuxToday.com
  - Dirig Announces Apache-Linux Applications and System Management Solution...

# Manage IT, and they will come...

“Growth/acceptance of Linux will introduce management imperatives for this OS platform on servers... Major network and systems management platform vendors (HP, CA, et al.) are announcing support for Linux, but this is the tip of the iceberg. Linux-specific management applications will emerge, with subsequent integration into higher-level management tools.”




Infrastructure Management Predictions: Part 1.  
Meta Group; September 2000




# Change is coming...


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 **CALDERA** systems - adds Volution system management application

 **redhat** - acquires Bluecurve for performance mgmt

 **atipa** - acquires OpenNMS for "Bluebird" network management

 **SUSE** - bundles Enlighten system monitoring solution

 **APRiSMA** MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGIES - integrates Dirig's Proctor technology to add application management into SPECTRUM

 **HP WORLD 2001**  
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# Cass Information Systems

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*Cass Information Systems – the nation's leading provider of payment & information services for Financial, Accounts Payable, Transportation, Logistics, and Utility needs.*

- Like many small to mid-sized enterprise companies, Cass Info Systems needed support for ManageX beyond the NT operating system.
- Cass worked with Dell Computer, a premier ManageX reseller and system integrator, who contacted Dirig for the Linux SPI solution to manage Cass's Apache web server.
- SPI installed at Cass, and within hours, they're able to successfully manage and monitor applications running on the Apache web server.

# Cass Information Systems

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“Having the flexibility to deploy both Linux and NT servers and be able to manage them seamlessly is vital to our success. Dirig’s Linux SPI provides that flexibility and give us a solid management solution for our Internet services.”

Tom Zygmunt, Director of Marketing  
Cass Information Systems.



# Intellispace

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IntelliSpace, chose Dirig to monitor and manage systems within their regional datacenters and network operations centers (NOC) for multiple servers at each location, running a combination of Windows NT, 64-bit Sun Solaris, FreeBSD and BSDi. Provides expanded fault tolerance to IntelliSpace's:

- Network management systems
- Messaging systems.
- Primary DNS servers at each NOC

Managed Node -- Dirig Software, Inc. - MindSpring Internet Explorer

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# MANAGED NODE

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## Health Concerns

[Excessive System CPU Utilization](#)

### Apache Web Server



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CPU	Memory	Swap	File Systems	Processes	Alerts (1)
16%	35%	48%	C:\ 94.52 D:\ 95.36	ieexplore 60.00 lsass 1.00 dsAgent 1.00	Major: 0 Minor: 0 Info: 1

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

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- [MySQL Connections - ODBC \[76\]](#) 

CPU	Memory	Swap	File Systems	Processes	Alerts (5)
 10%	 56%	 33%	C:\ 93.14 D:\ 50.94 E:\ 19.95	iexplore 11.00 dsAgent 4.00 dsAgent 2.00	Major: 0 Minor: 5 Info: 0

Done Local intranet



# CPU DETAILED REPORT

### Key

- CPU #0 Wait
- CPU #0 User
- CPU #0 Kernel
- CPU #0 Idle

**Start Date:** Thu Apr 19 2001  
**End Date:** Thu Apr 19 2001

### Query

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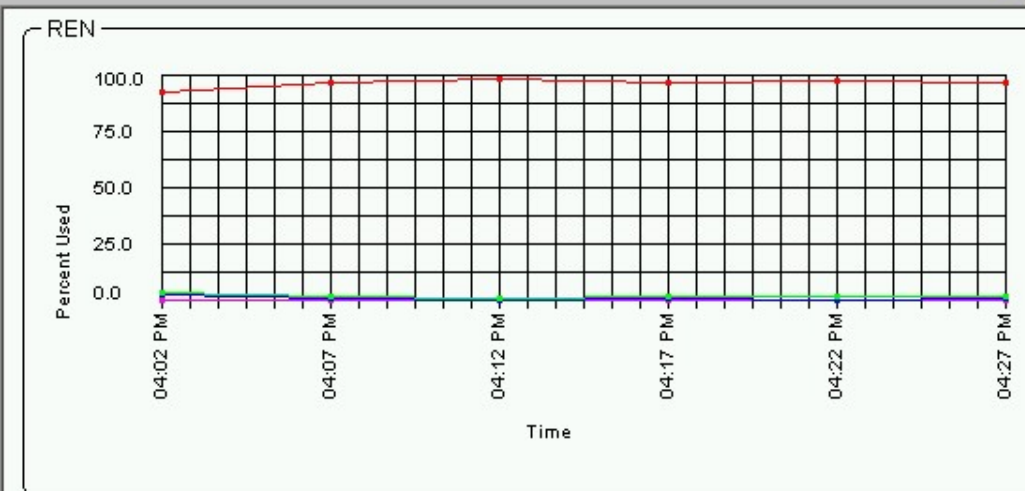
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April 2001

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Plot It!

Average:  Daily  Hourly  15 Min  All



### Configuration

#### Nodes

REN

#### Names

CPU #0 Wait  
 CPU #0 User  
 CPU #0 Kernel  
 CPU #0 Idle

#### Layout

- By Node
- By Name

# Ensuring success through Application Management

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- Make sure your IT infrastructure is architected for the web
- Multi-platform support
- Use specific application management to maximize performance, not just up time & availability
- Incorporate tools and infrastructure that are agile enough to move as fast as your business
- Detection of normal operating levels w/o tying up valuable resources
- Integrated, best-of-breed products can provide more robust management than traditional frameworks

# Things To Look For cont...

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- Data sampling Technology
  - Manage ANY application right out of the box
- Fully integrated system & app management w/ a single console
- Web-based UI
  - Dynamic HTML for real-time monitoring
  - Remote management
  - Customizable Interface
- Automated corrective actions
- Partitioned Server Support
- Determines normal operating levels and variances from the norm
- Subscriber View for service Providers
  - Real-time view into SLA for piece of mind
- Role based view for administrators
  - View only what you are responsible for
- Response Times
- Integrates into other applications for a best-of-breed solution

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# The Future of Management Needs: Application Component Management



# Transformation of Infrastructure Management

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# The Need for Component Mgmt

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"We see next-generation application management tools attacking the application component level, exposing a new level of valuable detail (e.g., what each object is doing, what/how objects are interfacing) specifically targeting web application servers. A management solution that addresses the entire ebusiness infrastructure regardless of platform or application server will clearly have an advantage over specific point products that speak to similar needs."

*Meta Group analyst Corey Ferengul, Program Director of Service Management Strategies.*

# "Fenway"

## The 1st Complete Management Solution

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- All aspects of Application Server will be monitored and managed
  - From the transaction engine through the components
- The **ONLY** product that supports **both** EJB (Enterprise Java Beans) *and* Microsoft COM+
- Enhanced Managed Node and Console
  - New Subagent
  - Management servlet for Java-based platforms
- Leading application servers supported thru new SAMs
  - BEA, IBM, Allaire, ATG, iPlanet

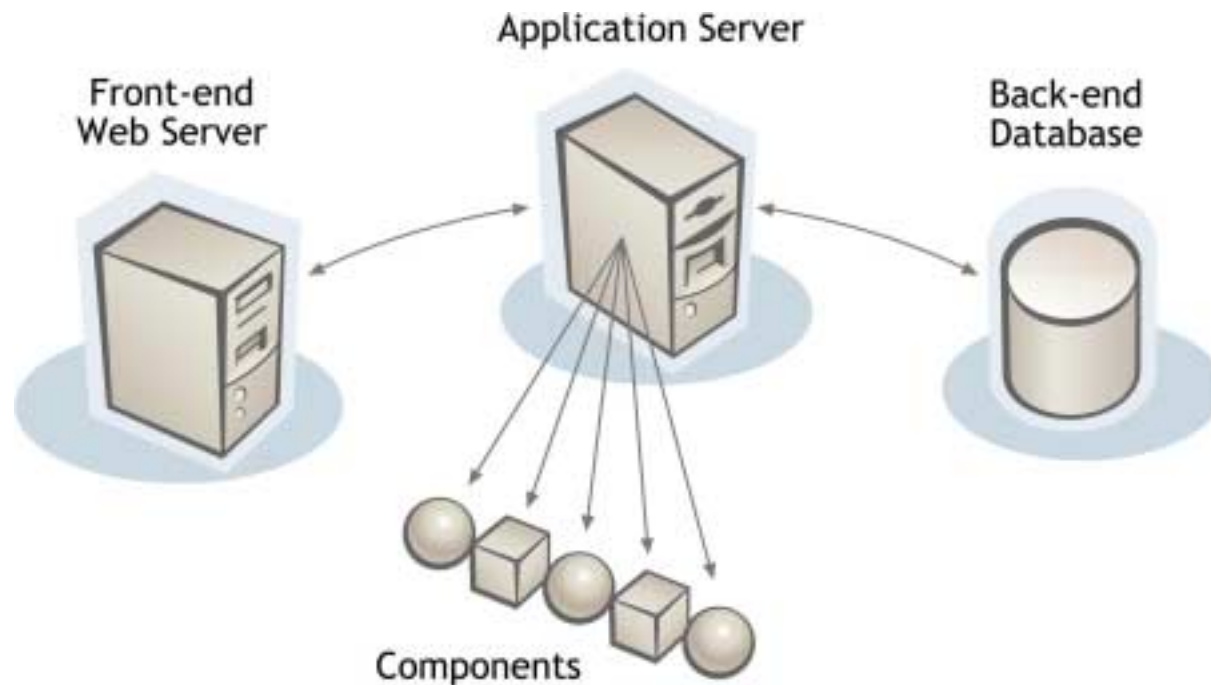
# The Future of Application Management

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*Everything is up and running  
but you still can't buy that book...why?*

- Management of application servers and the solutions developed with them
- Components (EJBs & COM+ objects), connection pools, web applications
- The inner workings of E-commerce
  - Transaction processing, inventory, etc.

# Application Server & Components



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### EJB List

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Name	CommittedTx	RollbackedTx	CacheSize
<a href="#">readMostly.StockWriterHome</a>	0	0	0
<a href="#">readMostly.StockHome</a>	0	0	0
<a href="#">beanManaged.AccountHome</a>	0	0	0
<a href="#">containerManaged.AccountHome</a>	0	0	0
<a href="#">statefulSession.TraderHome</a>	0	0	0
<a href="#">SubClass.ChildHome</a>	0	0	0
<a href="#">statelessSession.TraderHome</a>	0	0	0

**CPU**




1%

**Memory**



97%

**Swap**



79%

**File Systems**

C:\	93.96
D:\	76.96

**Processes**

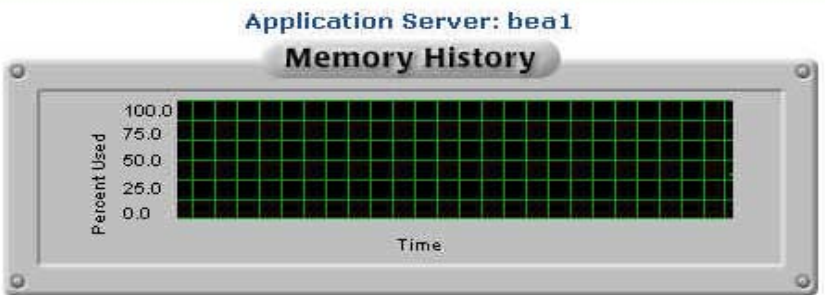
lsass	1.00
taskmgr	1.00
System	0.00

**Alerts (0)**

Major:	0
Minor:	0
Info:	0

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### Application Server Statistics

Queue Length: 0  
Queue Throughput: 1 /sec




### Heap Statistics

Total: 67108 K  
Free: 41065 K  
Used: 26043 K  
Percentage: 38 %

<b>CPU</b> 0%	<b>Memory</b> 97%	<b>Swap</b> 79%	<b>File Systems</b>	<b>Processes</b>	<b>Alerts (0)</b>
			C:\ 93.96 D:\ 76.96	lsass 1.00 dsProc 1.00 System 0.00	Major: 0 Minor: 0 Info: 0





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### Connection Pool List

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Name	PoolSize	NumWait	MaxWaitTime	Grants	Releases
<a href="#">demoPool</a>	1	0	0	16	16
<a href="#">oraclePool</a>	1	0	0	0	0

<b>CPU</b> 0%	<b>Memory</b> 97%	<b>Swap</b> 79%	<b>File Systems</b> C:\ 93.96 D:\ 76.96	<b>Processes</b> csrss 1.00 lsass 1.00 dsProc 1.00	<b>Alerts (0)</b> Major: 0 Minor: 0 Info: 0
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# Dirig is already there...

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- Specific application management for:
  - BEA Weblogic, ATG Dynamo, IBM Websphere, Allaire Cold Fusion & Jrun
- Connectivity between front end web server & backend database
- Validation of solution during development
- Maintaining performance, once hosted in production

**Ensuring the completion of every e-transaction!**



# Summary – Get the eBusiness advantage...

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- Failure prevention – proactive application and system management
- Hands-off management – manage critical applications without IT intervention
- Remote management – manage applications from any web enabled device
- Maximize availability and performance of all your critical ebusiness systems and applications



Save your  
**challenges**  
for the weekend

Thank you.