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There were three key areas of focused development

- Jointly architect a solution for meeting a specific customer business need (save time and \$)!
- Integrate new methodologies, process and quality improvements into HPs standard release processes
- Develop a HP-UX environment for EDA customers
- Quality improvement methodologies







Global organisation

Laboratories in The Netherlands, England, France, Germany, China-Taiwan and United States

Mission Statement

Create value for Royal Philips Electronics through technologybased innovations which improve its global competitive position in current markets or that lead to the development of new businesses.

Philips Research Labs Eindhoven (PRLE)

- Located at Philips High Tech Campus
- wide range of disciplines:
 - physics, chemistry, mathematics, mechanics, Information Technology & software, storage, electronic engineering/EDA
- one IT department to support IT requirements (technical and office automation) of the diverse range of Research activities plus various Philips R&D related activities on-site

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- more than 3000 employees supported on site



"One of the best implemented client-server environments in the world" Robert Lucke "Design & Implementing Computer Workgroups", Prentice-Hall 1999, ISBN- 0-13-082709-6

Philips Research Laboratories in Eindhoven is also known as the Natuurkundig (Physics) Lab or Nat.Lab. The architecture described here is known as NXA, which stands for Natlab X Architecture. Key to the infrastructure is high speed, broadband network to which central servers are coupled with dedicated tasks such as login servers, file servers en batch & compute servers.

On the enduser's desktop we place a PC or X-station, and in rare cases a workstation, which gives the user access to the servers on the network.

An important aspect of the concept is 'load balancing', a piece of software which ensures that the workload is spread evenly and efficiently over the available systems. The 'login' load-balancing software is an in-house product. For the compute and batch systems we use LSF (Load Sharing Facility) from Platform Computing.

Redundancy is another important aspect. In each category (login, compute, batch, admin/license) there are multiple servers all capable of performing every task required of their categorygroup. So loss of one or more servers does not lead to loss of functionality, at worst it leads to reduced capacity. Floating and not node-locked licenses are essential here. The only single points of dependency are the file servers, as data is protected by RAID-5 only and is not mirrored.

The environment is CPU intensive where the latest vendor CPUs are added on an annual basis. The average lifetime of a CPU in the compute or batch category is 18 months. To ensure maximum return on investment, we employ a 'food-chain' principle whereby systems which start off life as a compute or batch server either get a CPU upgrade or move down the 'food-chain', to finish as login or admin/licenses servers. All systems are replaced on a 3 or 4 year cycle.

NXA at Research: Facts & Figures 150 HP systems configured as central servers 75% of all Compute Capacity is HP-UX based - remainder Solaris, Linux, SGI – 250 CPUs - 4 million jobs submitted to LSF queues per year using 300,000+ hours CPU time - 80% of compute resources consumed by EDA/IC-CAD • Single HP-UX image for all systems - all systems run at the same patch level • 1200 Unix users per month, 700 concurrent users daily 350 Unix applications and 150 libraries - 1900+ versions • 5TB data (doubles every 2 years) • All data access via NFS - Up to 150 million NFS calls per file server per day • Unix IT support staff: 15 HP WORLD 2002

Compute Servers

- mix of workstation and servers class systems, 2way or 4way systems

- e.g. HP J6700, J6000, L1000-55, L3000-75

- medium memory: 4GB to 12GB per system
- supports between 2 and 40 users per system

Batch servers

- 4way or 8way systems
- server class only, N4000-75, L3000-75, RP7410-87
- large memory: 16GB to 32GB per system
- supports between 1 and 8 users per system

Login Servers

- mix of workstations and servers

- e.g. older models D380, L1000-44. J5000

- low memory: 1GB or 2GB per system
- supports between 15 and 35 concurrent users

HP-UX image

- The same HP-UX image runs on all systems

High admin overhead to build each new image

- All systems run at the same patch level

High admin overhead to maintain this on 130+ systems

- Ensures predictable response across all systems



- Way too much information !.....
- ...but it gives an idea of the scale of a real-life NXA environment







- Peak in July 1999 due to NFS-PV3 related system crashes and/or forced reboots
 - Large number of file server crashes "worst case scenario"

• Improvement in August as we learned how to avoid system hangs and crashes and denied access to some functionality that was causing problems.

•Stabilisation in October/December as HP escalation plan came into effect







This is the 10X part of the program. Customer found defects of a product are reduced by a factor of 10 over the 5 years. (or approximately 2X every 18 months)

2nd goal addresses the initial customer experience with HP-UX. First we want to make installing a high confidence experience. Our internal goals are to reduce the time to upgrade to 2 weeks and to install a patch bundle to 1 day. Currently the largest inhibitor to the 2 week goal is the availability of HP's layered software when a release is available.

The single system reliability goal is 99.92% availability for a high availability configuration without clustering. We need to reduce the rate of panics, hangs, and data corruption by a factor 2.5 to reach this goal.

Our 10X goal over time says:

- 2.0X 9/99 3.2X - 9/00 5.0X - 9/01 8.0X - 9/02
- 10.0X 3/03

In actuality, these are more like 2X at 11.11, 3.2X at 11.21 or 6 months after the timeline noted above.





HPs Reaction Escalation team drawn from Mngt, local expert centers, WTEC and HP Labs Site visit by NFS experts form HP Labs 21 major problems in HP NFS-PV3 identified Plan of action in 3 phases fight the fires: get the site under control again quick fixes, site specific patches, turn off some functionality Long term fixes in GR patches What is different about this site and this customer? what was missing in HP's test procedures?



- Stabilisation from Q3 1999 continues into 2000
- Peaks in 2000 as some patches introduce new problems
- Very much hands on effort to manage NFS but this improves as GP patches replace site specific patches and quick fixes



After some immediate actions to unblock customers, HP start a long term plan to improve HP-UX EDA environment:

-Build a very tight relationship with Philips through dedicated contact points at Philips and HP.

-Collect information of Philips system environment to initiate EDA test ring effort with Philips like configuration.

-Design test based on EDA/Philips system usage information and known defects

-Establish regular direct communications (emails between engineers from both companies and phone conference)



SEI (Software Engineering Institution) /CMM (Capability Maturity Model) is a framework that describes the key elements of an effective software process. The CMM describes an evolutionary improvement path from an ad hoc, immature process to a mature, disciplined process. The CMM covers practices for planning, engineering, and managing software development and maintenance. When followed, these key practices improve the ability of organizations to meet goals for cost, schedule, functionality, and product quality.



Plus Parts are coming from 2 aspects:

- Continue doing what we are doing well (Peer review) or what we feel necessarily (metrics, training, some aspects of defect prevention) and not contradict to what we are trying under CMM framework.
- Due to the nature of our business (HP-UX development in multiple locations), it is almost inevitable and implicitly required to look at some of the KPA's(Key Process Area) that address organizational aspects.
 - Org Process Definition: To develop and maintain a usable set of process across the org (which we are trying to do with the cmm committee)
- Intergroup Coordination : to establish a means for the engineering groups to work effectively with one another
- Training and Metrics has light pattern. That is because we are not implementing as full activities in terms of CMM KPA in each level. In the same context, Peer Review has been and will be implemented fully.
- Defect prevention as a KPA in level 5 involves a lot more activities and maturity of the organization. We, however, feel that not injecting defects is just as important as finding defects at earlier phases of life cycle (that is addressed in Level 2 activities). We showed it on the list as HTRP thinks the "concept" is important and SISL is, in fact, adding the KPA into their Plus part voluntarily.









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This is the first phase Philips test configuration.

•Cisco 6509 is utilized for simulating 2 subnets.

•There is a L3000 client system which is as powerful as server, it serves as both server and client.

•Most systems in the ring have HPUX11i, but there are also 3 systems with HPUX11.0 Philips image and one system with HPUX10.20.

•Network connections for all servers (Marked in blue) are all 1000BT lans, network connections for all clients are 100BT lans, some have APA configuration.















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Info Philips had on OEs

- There are five Operating Environments;
 - 3 Commercial (MC; Enterprise; Base)
 - 2 Technical (TC; Minimal TC)
- Each OE is a superset of the previous one.
- Products contained on the OE media do not need to be ordered separately
- No code words required for products on the OE media.
- Commercial Server OEs are not supported on Technical Systems (i.e. s800 only)
- Technical Computing OE is supported on ALL systems.
- Minimal Technical OE is only supported on workstations (i.e. s700 only)
- An OE must be ordered with every HP-UX 11i system

How Philips reacted:

• We both use commercial servers (s800) and technical systems (s700) in the same category groups, which OE do we choose?

• We looked for an OE that would run on both s800 & s700 and contained the HP applications we used like Glance, Mirror/UX, OnLine-JFS, EMS



h	p-ux 11i operating environments benefits.
	greatly sim plified software deploym ent
	 Only one rebootneeded to install the Operating Environment (OE) of your choice No codewords are necessary to access any of the functionality/application products resident on the OE media Com prehensive offering of Network, Mass Storage, and IO Drivers available during install process Online D ingnostics baded during cold install
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	included HP applications
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All these benefits apply to all 5 standard OEs.



Before working on 11.11 solutions for EDA customers like Philips, the test ring has Philips 11.0 HPUX software stack and 11.11 Enterprise OE and 11.11 Technical Computing OE. But 2 images of 11.11 doesn't fit Philips' requirements.



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 - C.03.55.00 HP GlancePlus/UX Pak
 - B.11.11 HP OnLineJFS
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 - B.02.00 LDAP-UX Integration
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 - Patches planned for June 2002 HWE
 - Patches planned for June 2002 GQPK
 - Patches recommended to Philips by ISVs but not already included

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Test design centers are concepts for describing the activities performed at higher levels of integration and the effect those activities have on customer experience; i.e., integrating at higher levels allows more opportunity to positively affect customer experience







• This is how it should always look !





• We started in 1999 as highly irate customers screaming at HP

• The process start off fixing NFS issues and this has evolved into large joint projects, which today work and feel more like a partnership and less like strict vendor-customer relationship.

•The whole process, from the NFS escalation in 1999 through to the EDA test ring and leading into ETSE, has worked because we were prepared to work together for common gains.



HP understands that the computing environment is only a piece of the EDA solution puzzle. We know that it takes a close partnership with the EDA vendors to make their applications work for you. So we have a team of managers and technical consultants who work with the EDA vendors to coordinate operating system and application software releases – and to ensure the applications are tuned for maximum performance on HP systems. HP's engineers and the EDA vendors put their heads together to research new and innovative solutions – we leverage our own design efforts to make sure when you get to the same problems, the solutions are already there.



We live EDA. We breathe EDA. We stake our reputation on EDA. Unlike some vendors who claim to be the "dot in dot.com" – HP is committed to being the "A in EDA". We leverage our own design expertise to develop innovative ways – new ways – to design in EDA.

We understand your need for physical memory – we understand the issue of complexity – and we make it affordable. HP delivers server memory capacity at workstation prices. You probably don't realize how much more memory you can afford with HP systems. Check it out for yourself – don't limit your engineer's productivity.

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We understand how to squeeze every drop of efficiency from technical computing environments. We are pioneering a new way to design with network-centric computing. Computing that puts all the power your engineers need to get their job done as close as the Internet. Always on. Always available. Why not get more for your money? Why not get more utilization out of your EDA applications. HP can show you how – and we'll make it work for you.

That's our promise. We'll make it work for you.

