

Improving availability with virtualization technology

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Why focus on business continuity

- In the previous years backup & recovery was best effort
- Today the standards are different
 - More reliability is expected
 - Faster pace of business generates more critical change
 - Intense competitive environment requires high service levels
- There are many visible dangers
 - Terrorism
 - Natural disaster
 - Viruses and worms
 - Hackers and industrial espionage
 - Subcontractors going out of business
 - Human error



Business at Risk

- One out of 500 Data Centers will have a severe disaster every year*
- 81% of CEOs indicated their company plans would not be able to cope with a catastrophic event**
- 43 percent of companies experiencing disasters never re-open, and 29 percent close within two years*

Disaster Recovery is a focus of the executive management

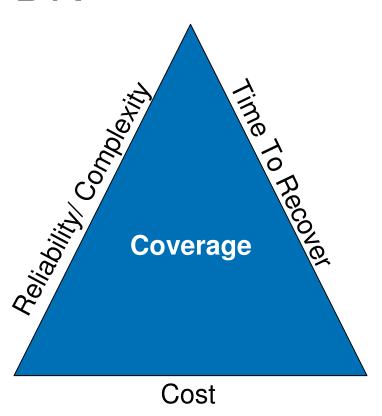
*McGladrey and Pullen

•**INFOCON Magazine, October 2003



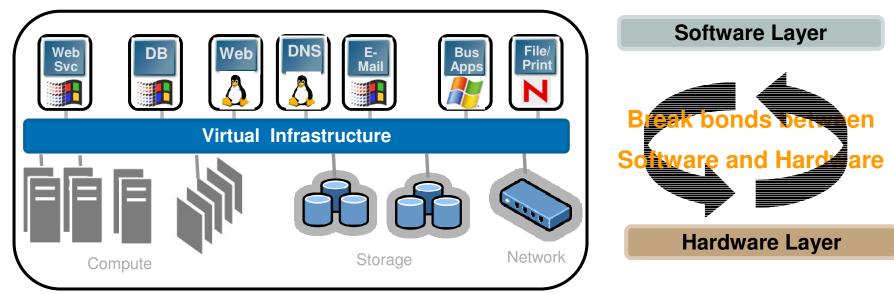
Pain Point in Traditional DR

- Restoration to different platforms
 - Unreliable / manual
 - Takes a long time / does not meet TTR objectives
- Lock-step upgrades of primary and secondary data center result in short TTR but are too expensive
- Too many different tools and procedures
 - Systems, applications, and data DR involves different procedures
 - Systems, applications, and data reassembly is a manual, error/prone process
 - Backup / recovery testing is labor intensive
 - Live system backup is application specific => learning curve





Virtual Infrastructure Transforms IT



Virtual Infrastructure

- Separates hardware management from software management
- Simplifies IT so companies leverage their storage, network, and computing resources to control costs and respond faster
- Standard services across multiple generations of Windows, Linux, Netware
- Virtual hardware standardizes multiple generations of multi-vendor hardware



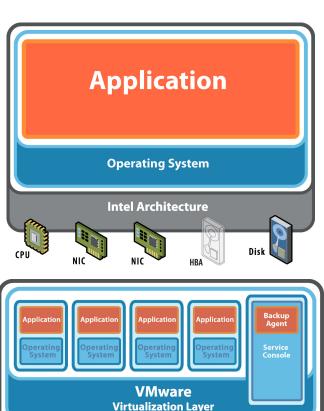
Virtualization Overview

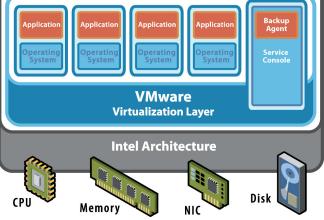
Traditional x86 Architecture

- Each server runs single OS
- Typical "one server, one app" model
- Can contribute to low CPU utilization and server sprawl

With Virtualization

- Aimed at delivering
 - Higher CPU utilization
 - Reduction in server sprawl
 - Strong fault and security isolation, VM encapsulation
- Allows for up to 2-CPU VMs





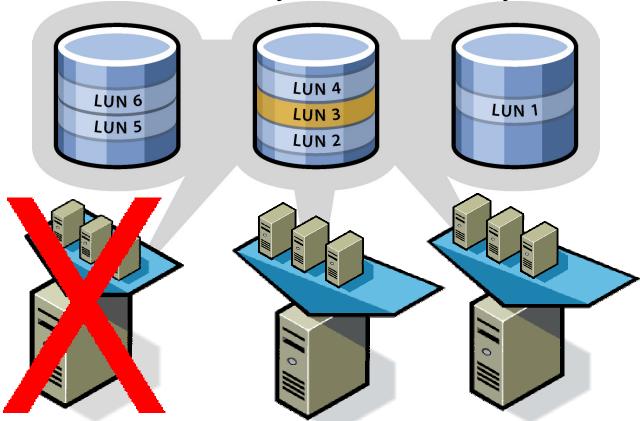


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 The only downtime is time required for VM booting



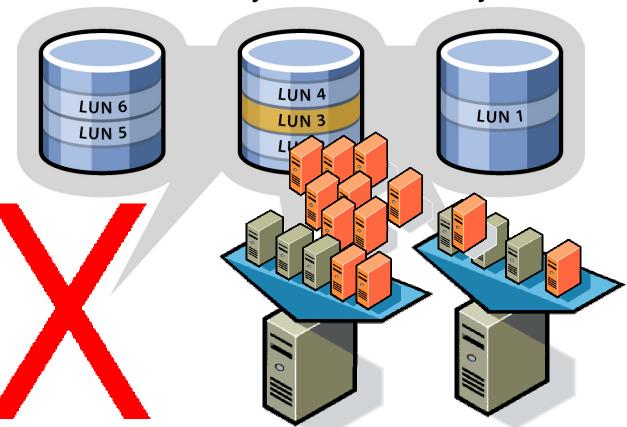


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VMware Virtual Infrastructure Support

Virtual Infrastructure Management Options























Virtual Infrastructure improves all aspects of Business Continuity

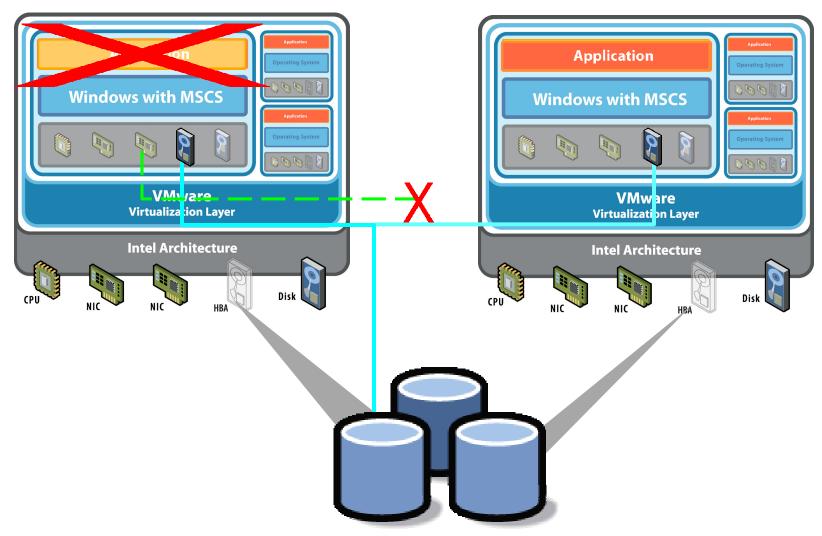
- Redundancy Supports clustering and HBA path failover
- Disaster Recovery
 - Eliminates hardware dependency for recovery
 - Multiplexes hardware
 - Improves time to recovery
 - Eliminates manual processes and Windows Registry updates
 - Conducive to automation
- Monitoring Provides centralized monitoring and hot migration capabilities



Hardware Redundancy

- Share redundant hardware elements across multiple workloads consolidated on top of virtual infrastructure
 - Share RAID drives
 - Share redundant power supplies
 - Share redundant network cards including advanced features
 - NIC teaming
 - HBA path failover
- Support N+1 clustering
 - Standard clustering software
 - Virtual to Virtual, Physical to Virtual and ESX to ESX clustering

N+1 Clustering





Disaster recovery at lower cost

- Hardware / System/ Application independence
 - NO NEED to worry about THE EXACT hardware configuration
 - Flexibility to restore to any hardware
 - Application independent capture and recovery processes
- Less hardware required at "hot" failover site
- Single-step simplified capture and recovery
 - One step system and application recovery
 - No Windows registry issues
 - Easy-to-automate recovery
- Support for all capture / replication technologies
 - Tape / Media
 - Disk-based Back up
 - Synchronous or Asynchronous Data Replication



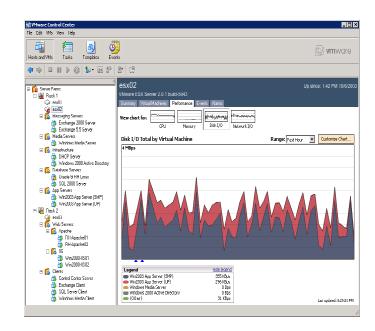
Improving Time to Recovery

- Restore system and application data in one step
- Application / OS/ hardware independent (crash consistent) backup and recovery processes
- No need for 3rd party 'bare metal' restore tools
 - Reduce learning and ramp-up
 - Reduce software licensing expense
- Use the same methodology through application lifecycle
 - Staging
 - Deployment
 - DR
- Test once recover anything
 - Application independent recovery => simplified testing



Monitoring

- Monitor system availability and performance
 - Automated notifications and email alerting
 - •SDK to **integrate** with existing management tools
 - •Secure the environment with robust access control integrated with Windows Active Directory
- Migrate the workload to different platform in case of threat of disaster using VMotion

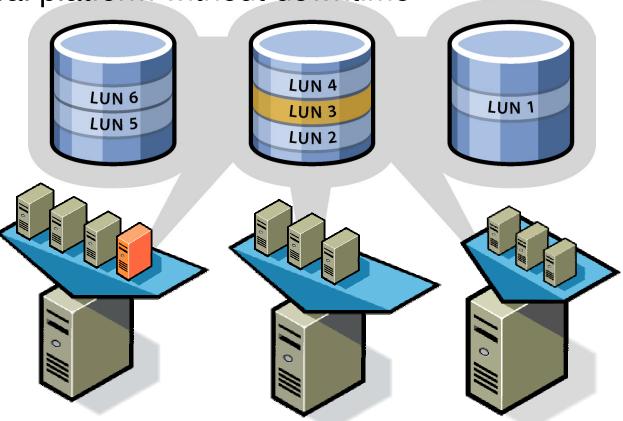




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- Dynamically rebalance workloads to servers with more computing bandwidth
- Temporarily free servers for hardware maintenance

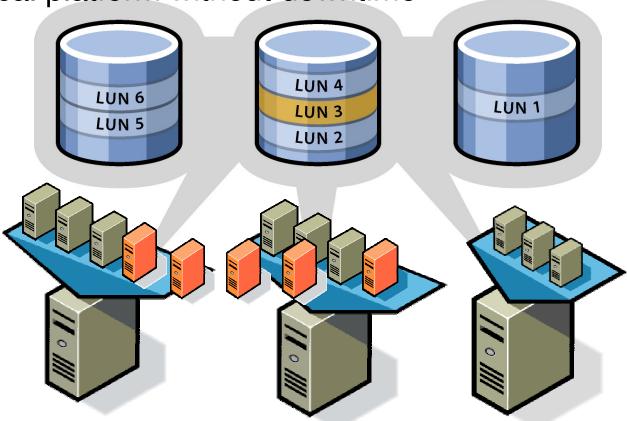




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VirtualCenter Demo

- Demo VMotion
- Migrating a live virtual machine installed with MS SQL Database and exercised by Microsoft Database Hammer testing tool



SDK enables automation

- Web Services interface that uses the SOAP and WSDL standards
- SDK Capabilities
 - Monitoring performance data for the virtual machine hosts
 - CPU, memory, disk I/O, and network utilization.
 - Operations with virtual machines including
 - Create, Delete and Copy
 - Configuring virtual machines
 - virtual CPU, memory, disk, network and hardware
 - Creation and definition virtual machine templates
 - Initiate VMotion™
- Partners who announced support
 - BMC Software, Computer Associates eTrust, Computer Associates Unicenter, Enigmatec Corporation, HP OpenView, IBM Director, IBM Tivoli Software, MetiLinx, PlateSpin, Platform Computing, Surgient and Altiris, Fujitsu-Siemens, Evident, Novadigm, NetIQ, nWorks, Citrix and Veritas

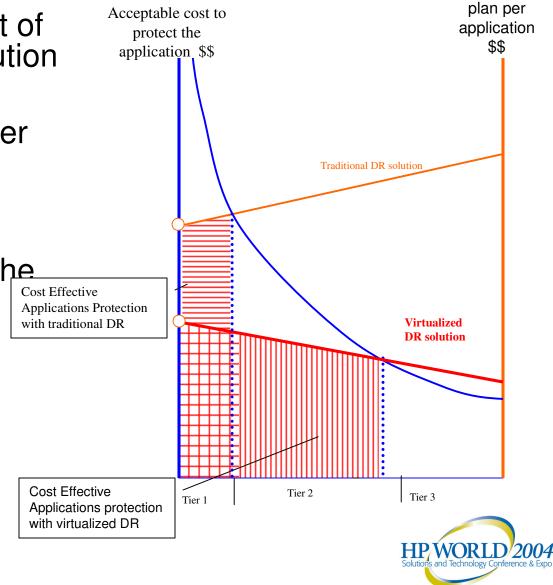


Virtualization extends DR feasibility

- Threshold / fixed cost of disaster recovery solution is reduced
- Per application disaster recovery cost is minimized
- Procedures are standardized across the applications



Make Disaster Recovery
Commercially Feasible for
more applications and more
Data Centers



Cost of DR

BB&K Background

- One hundred year old law firm recognized as one of the top 50 law firms in CA headquartered in Riverside, CA
- 150 lawyers and over 300 other employees
- 14 locations across the country
- Expects to grow 100% over the next 3 years

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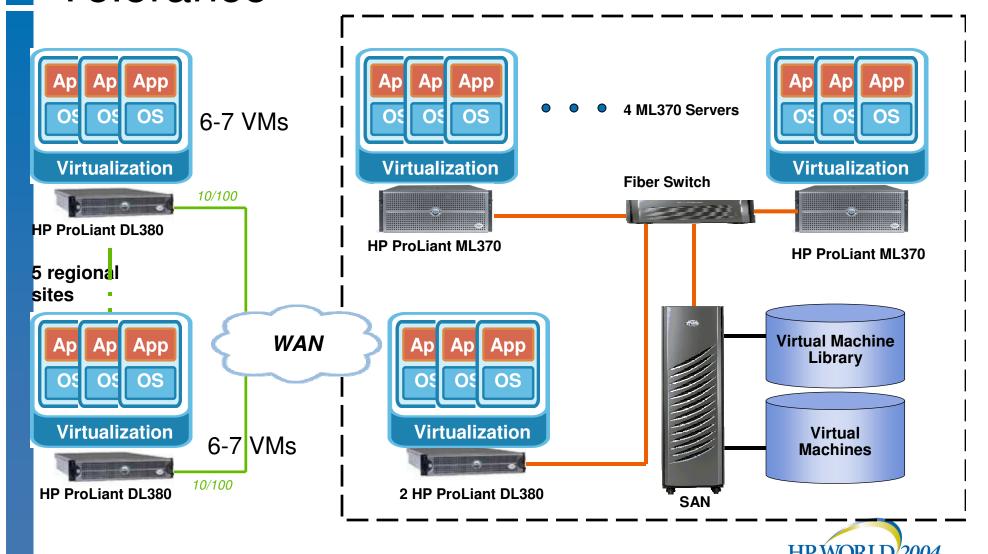


Problem Statement

- Three years growth with no IT upgrades
- Double the number of users with no IT upgrades
- Independent operations in each remote office
 - Sustain WAN outage
 - Have autonomic systems
 - E-mail
 - file services,
 - PC DOCS databases
- Designed for easy administration
 - Backup, restore, and remote administration is easy to set up
- Fault tolerance for all critical services



Server Consolidation and Fault Tolerance



Deployed Architecture

- Physical Platforms
 - Headquarters
 - SAN with two HP ProLiant DL380s and four HP ProLiant ML370s;
 - Branch offices (5)
 - two HP ProLiant DL380s and direct-attached storage each
 - Network backbone
 - Cisco Catalyst 4500 in each location
- ESX Server 1.5.2
- Guest operating systems:
 - Windows 2000 Server, Windows Server 2003
- Applications you run in virtual machines:
 - Altera, Informative Graphics, PC DOCS, RES PowerFuse, specialty applications and utilities



Deployment Experiences

- Familiar with VMware technology workstation user
- Engaged VMware authorized partner for initial ESX Server installation
 - Installed 4 servers with 20 virtual machines in headquarters
 - Used P2V to image production environment into VMs
 - Conducted tests for 4 months using Winbench benchmarks / workloads
- Moved virtual machines into production
- Partner trained BB&K VMware administrator
- Deployed ESX Servers in regional offices
- During 20 month in operation, did not have any problems



Fault Tolerance



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The Challenge

The fast-growing California law firm needed to build a reliable IT infrastructure that would keep up with its rapid growth

The VMware Solution

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- Boosted infrastructure reliability dramatically by cutting server recovery period from hours to seconds
- Streamlined IT administration and increased employee productivity
- Eliminated risk of remote office downtime caused by WAN outage
- Reduced server provisioning time frame from days to minutes

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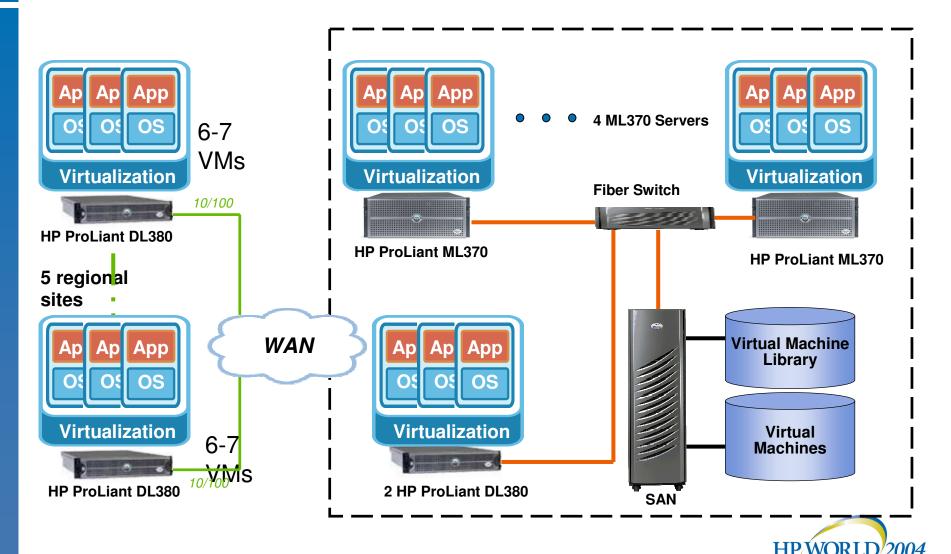


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Deployment Experiences

- Familiar with VMware technology workstation user
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 - Installed 2 servers with 14 virtual machines in headquarters
 - Conducted compatibility testing for 2 months
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