



# **Architecting for Data Center Agility**

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## **About Nemertes**

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- Quantifies the business impact of emerging technologies
- Conducts in-depth interviews with IT professionals



- Advises businesses on critical issues such as:
  - Unified Communications
  - Social Computing
  - Data Centers & Cloud Computing
  - Security
  - Next-generation WANs



Cost models, RFPs, Architectures, Strategies

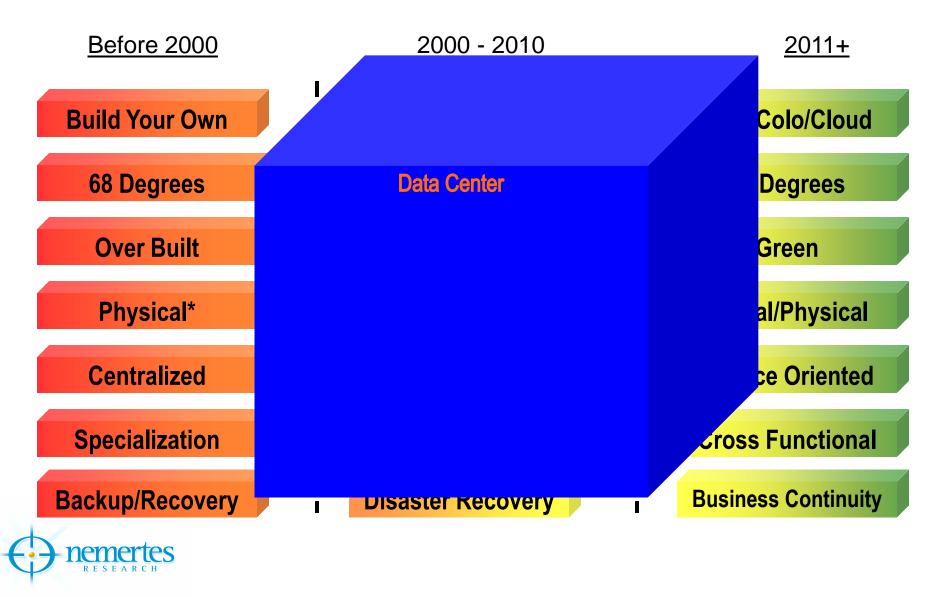


# **Data Center Agility?**



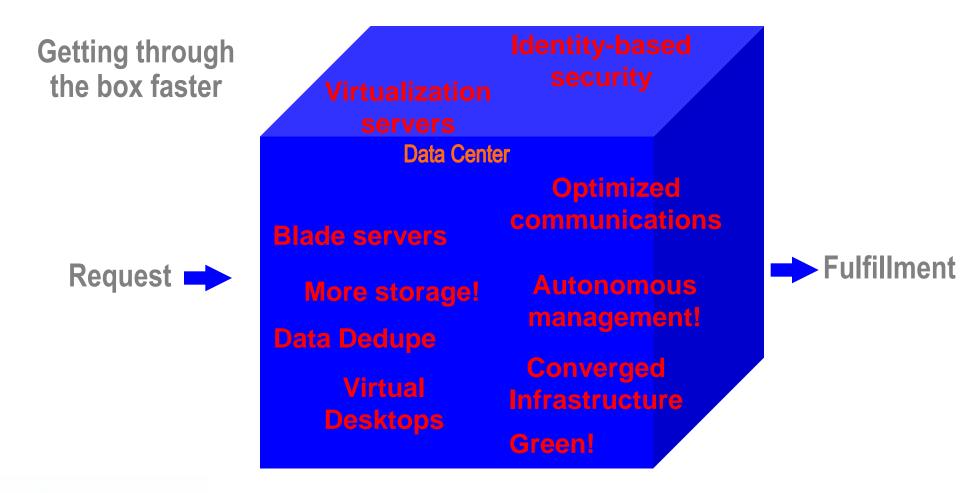
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# **Adoption Trends**





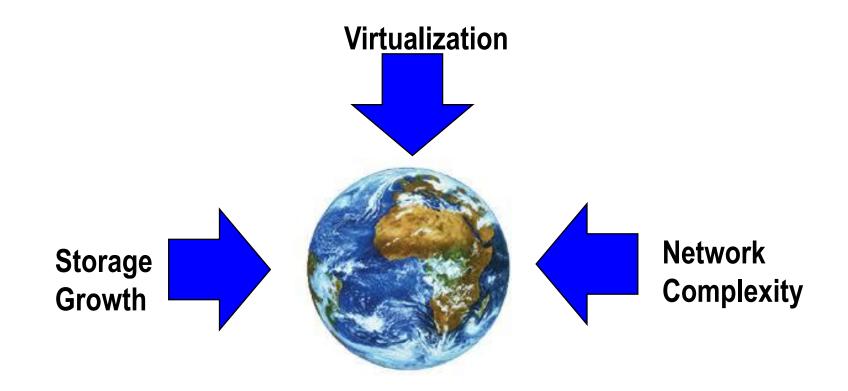
- Virtualization is transforming the data center
  - Affecting every aspect of operations: Server, services, facilities, power and storage management
- Complexity is driving new network architectures
  - Storage and data center networking evolving slowly
- Storage growing unabated
- The march to the cloud is beginning
  - Private cloud starting
  - Public cloud starting, slowly





#### **Data Center Vice-Grip**







# **Opposing Forces**

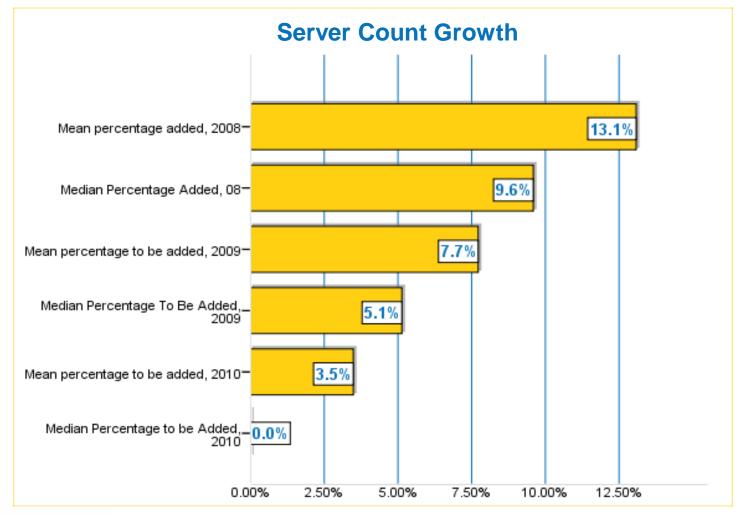






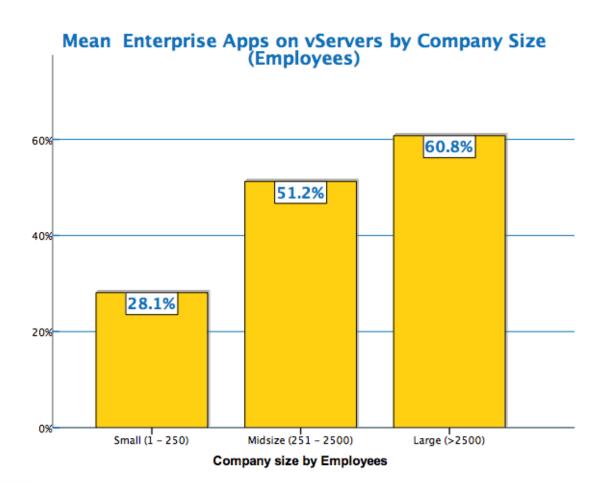
#### **Growth in Servers Slowing**













#### **Server Virtualization Rollout**



# 6.7% 1 Year 8.9% > 5 Years 33.3% 4 to 5 Years 51.1% 2 to 3 Years

#### **Estimated Time for Server Virtualization Rollout**



#### Data Center Forces: Storage Growth



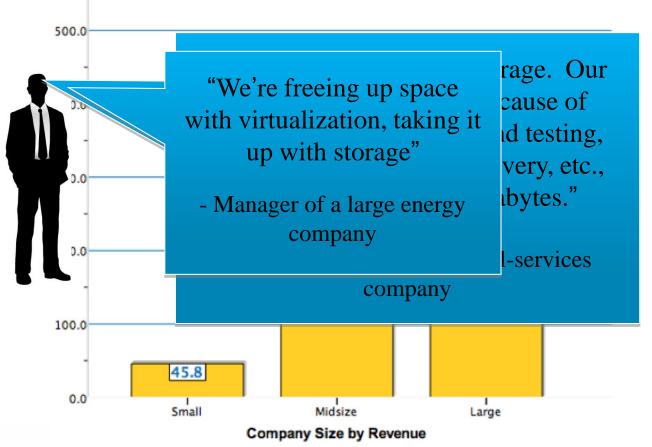




#### SAN by Company Size



#### Average SAN Storage by Company Size (Revenue)

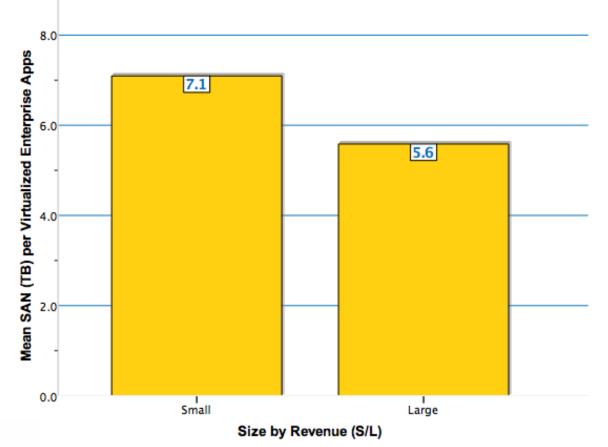




#### **SAN per Virtualized Application**



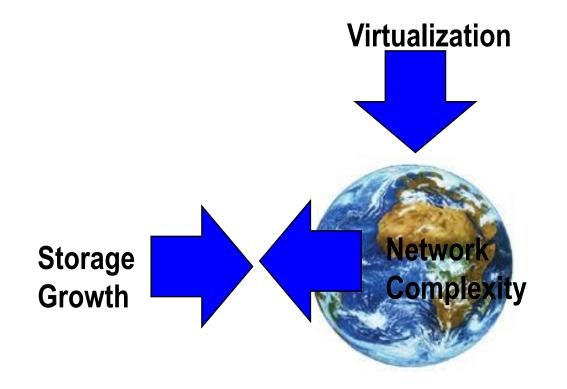
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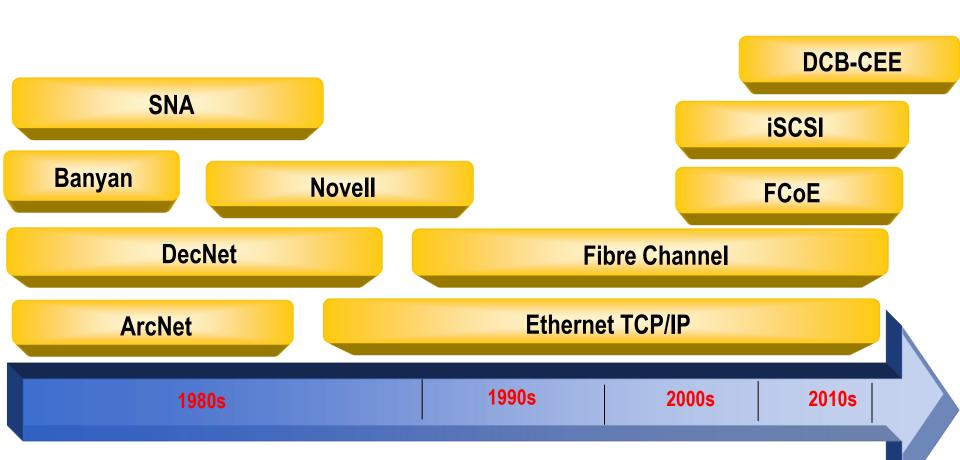


#### **Data Center Forces: Network Complexity**







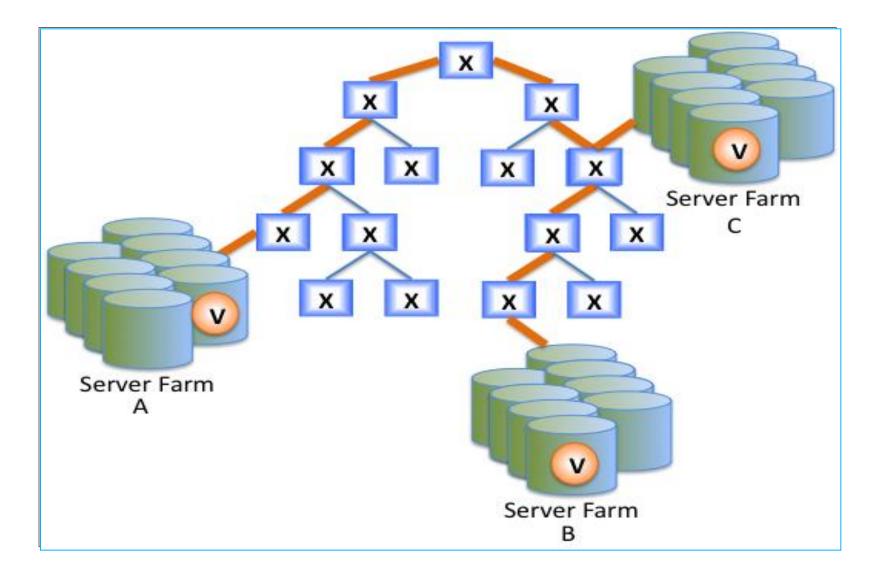


**IT**Roadmap



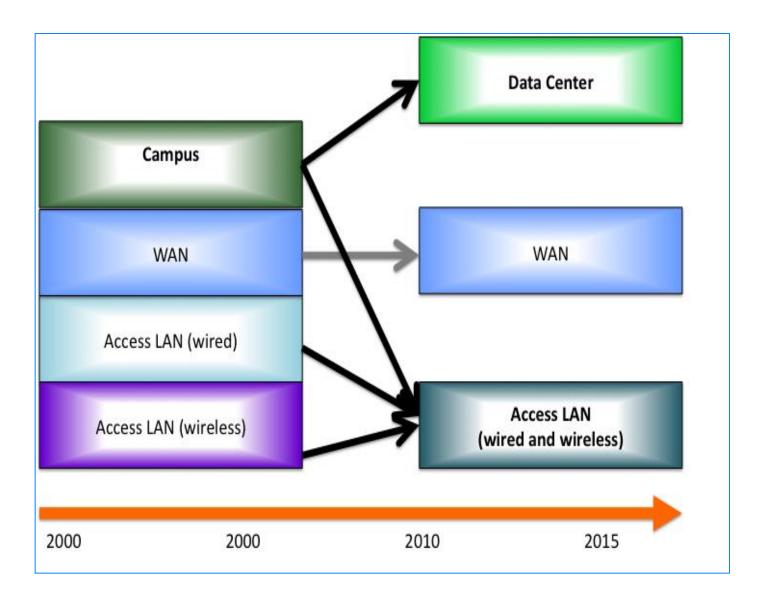
### Data Center Complexity Driving Network Simplicity





#### **New Network Topology**





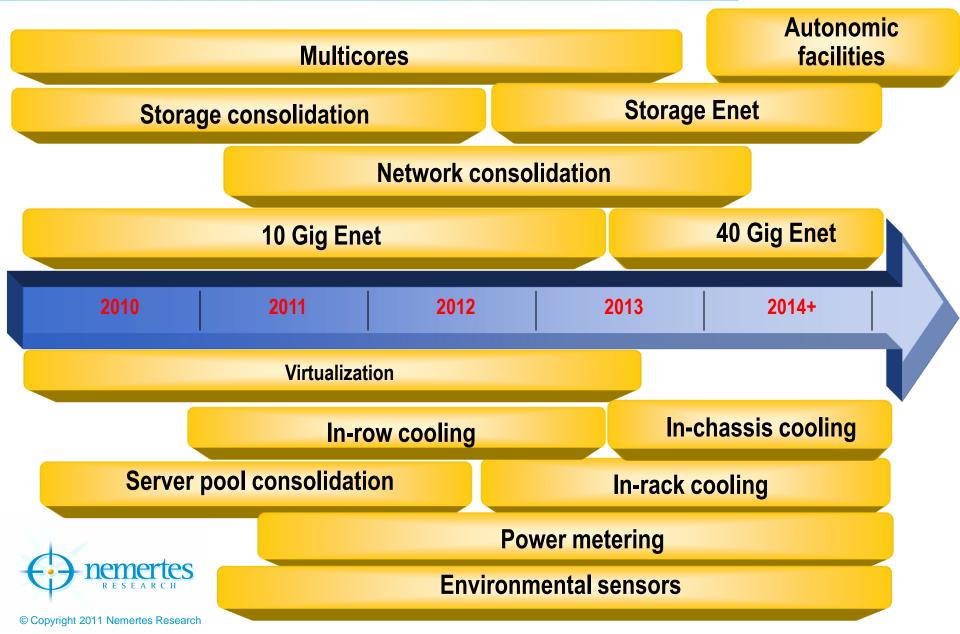


#### **Technology Trends**



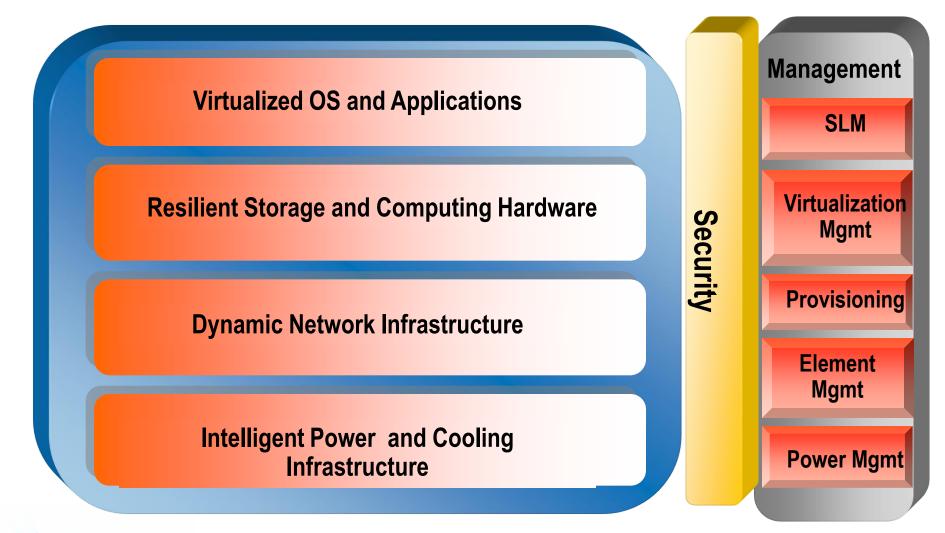
### **Technology Outlook**





### **Technology Architecture & Evolution**

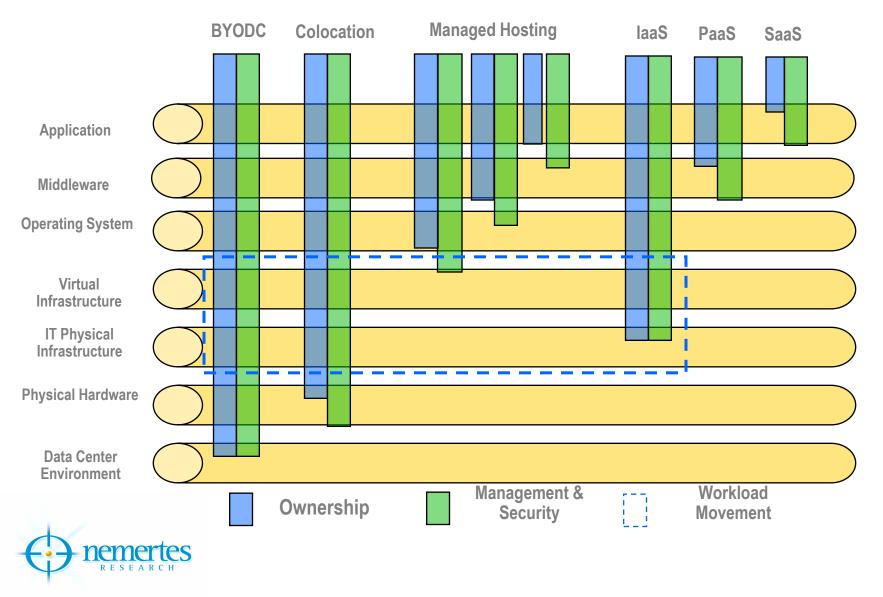






### The Outsourcing Spectrum





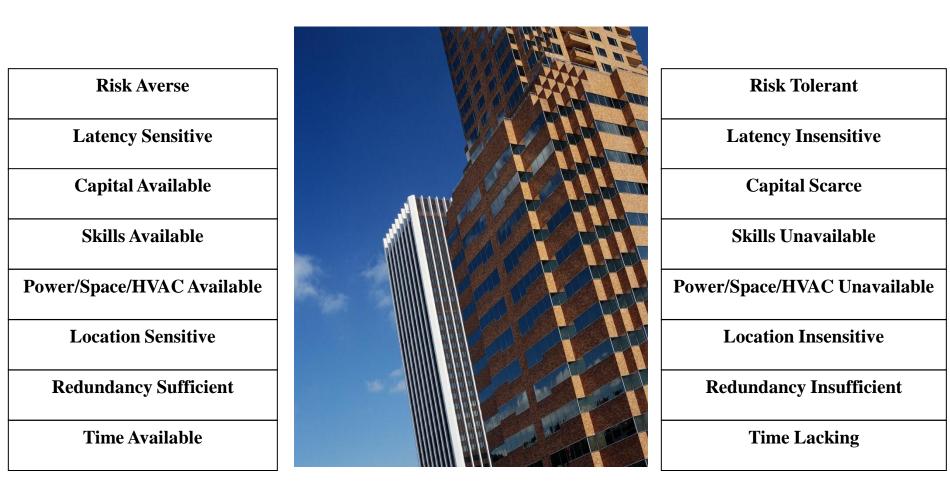


Data Center Outsourcing Adoption					
	Leasing	Colocation	Managed Hosting	SaaS	Cloud (PaaS & IaaS)
2009	12%	29%	23%	42%	~ 2%
2010		35%		52%	9%
2011	Stay Tuned				

- R E S E A R C H
- Greatest data center success correlates to owning data center and outsourcing
- Security and compliance concerns hold back cloud adoption

#### Is Outsourcing the Answer?







## **Business Case: Data Center Consolidation**



"Best thing we ever did! It met all our needs: capacity, reliability, flexibility. It really set us up to take advantage of the technologies now available." – Senior VP for IT

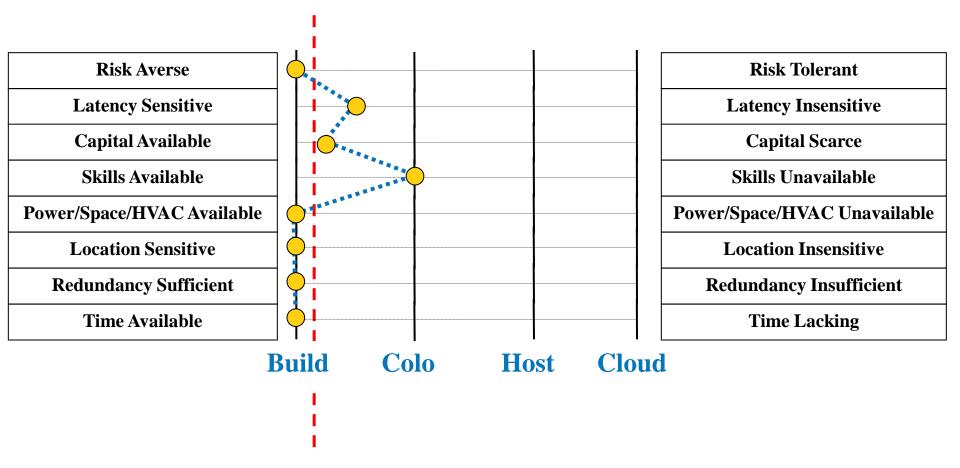


- So, built 3 new DCs(US, EMEA, APAC)
- Virtualized servers, centralized storage, used WAN optimization
- Hot zones with targeted cooling
- Power designed to 75W/ft<sup>2</sup> (using less than 50); cooling designed to 150W/ft<sup>2</sup>
- Now measure power at wall, PDU, power strip, track PUE now 1.63
- Down to 14 DCs with room to grow



#### Global Financial Services Outsourcing Spectragram







### **Case Study – Healthcare Startup**



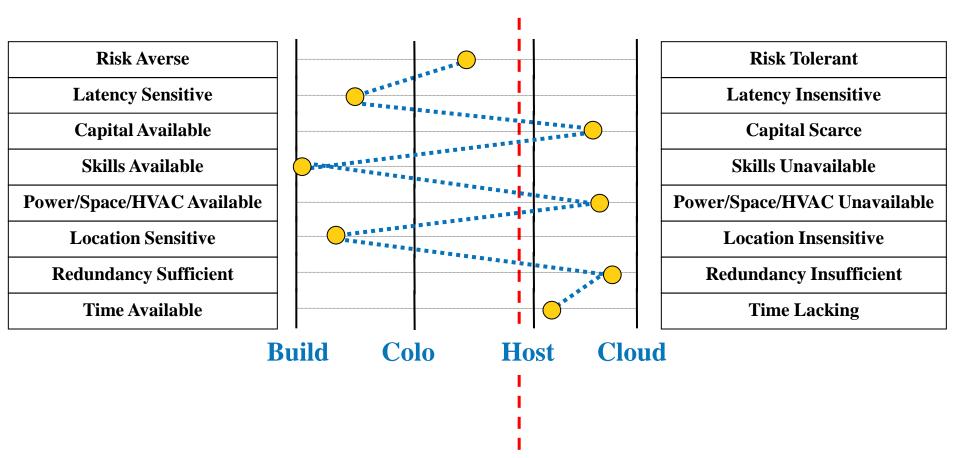


- Small startup where time to market is critical
  - Limited capital resources
  - Delivering healthcare IT services and electronic medical records
- Staff is mostly developers
- Limited power resources
- No redundancy in-house
- Privacy of data is a big issue



#### Healthcare Startup Outsourcing Spectragram

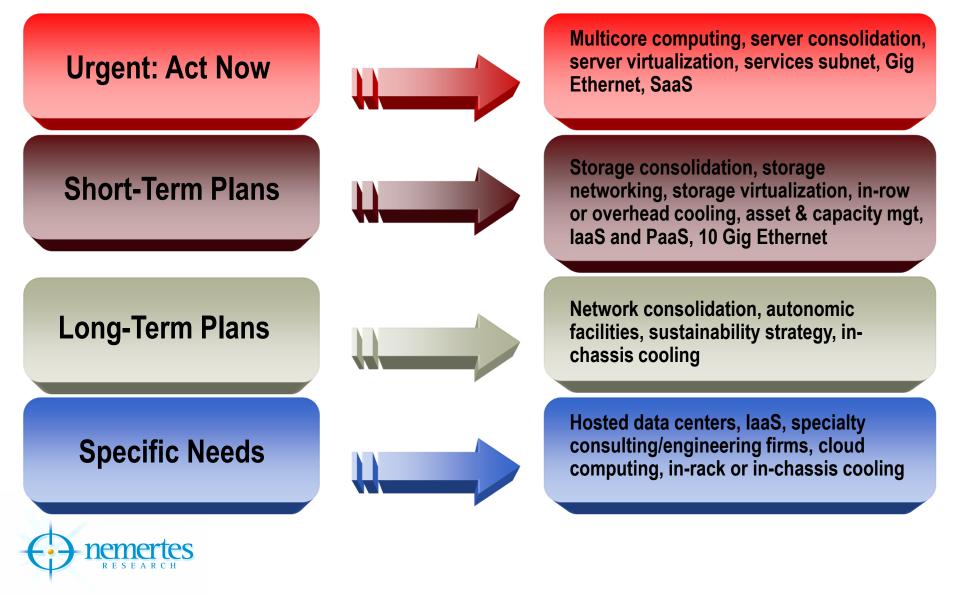






## What Should You Be Doing?









# **Thank You**

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