

Changing the economics and experience of IT



# ABT Online – a PureSystems Case Study

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- The Journey
- The Decision
- The Outcome
- The Future





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- Challenges:
  - Mission-critical, enterprise-wide business applications
  - Fruit-salad environment 15 servers, running 30+ clients, across 2 locations...
  - Painful management of the environments, devices
  - Power usage/consumption...
  - Multi tenanting, usage metering, licence mgt, upgrade independence, multiple O/S's
  - Can't use Pre-configured environments...!



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- 2x5 decision Completely Outsourced V ABT-MSP...
  - Comparison of 2 outsourced suppliers (X & Y) and 3 vendors





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- Presented to The Board:
  - Outsourced +/-20 VM's...
  - Quantified the Delta between the solutions from vendors





Why IBM PureSystems "FlexSystem"?

It was the vibe, it was Mabo...





- Compelling (C-level) Reasons:
  - IBM technology stack Tin/OS/DB/BI, IBM Labs POC...
  - FlexSystems built from components...
  - IBM Integration by design no inter-operability questions/issues...
  - IBM Finance TCO ...
  - Outright cost to purchase v cost to manage IBM cheaper

- Over to Tristan...



## The Decision (TP)



- What we bought and Why (Detail):
- 2x v7000 SAN (Production data)
- 2x v3700 SAN (TSM Store)
- 2x TSM servers with node replication to remote site
- 2x PureFlex Chassis (Fibre with a mix of iSCSI)
- 2x 3310 Tape Libraries (long term storage, cost, archiving)



#### **ABT Online Diagram**

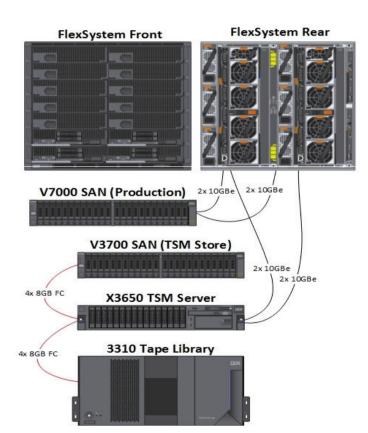


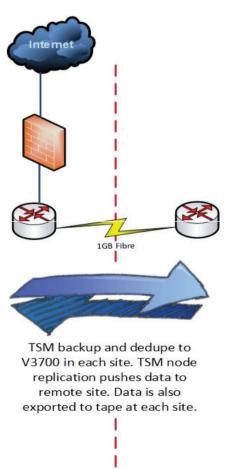
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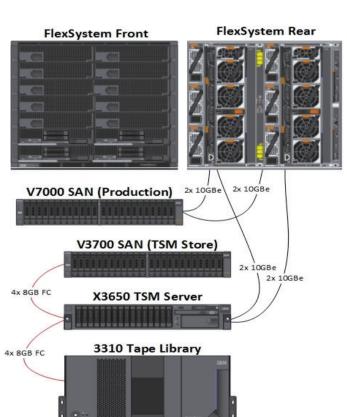




#### **ABT Online Data Centre Site**







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- What we bought and Why (Detail):
  - PureFlexChasis xSeries AND pSeries ComputeNodes (blades)
  - Velocity of deployment/expansion "Package Deployment" per build
  - FlexSystem manager (FSM) Systems Integration Single pane of glass control their world, no need to reinvent each install (consistency), releases us to innovate
  - Mobile Systems Management (FlexSystems Manager)
  - IBM Switches within PureFlex Chassis are "Virtualization-aware" selection and redundant.

#### The Outcome



- "Boutique" Private Cloud Solution
- Make it easy to do business with us, but sticky
- Delivered:
  - 160% more processing power,
  - 600% more memory,
  - 30% less power consumption,
  - 500% growth capacity without buying another Chassis (unlimited beyond).

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- Granular outcomes:
  - Full Quantifiable benefits not fully realized yet...
  - Redundancy, high availability...
  - Rapid repeatable setup/tear down of deployments...
  - Maintenance patch deployments, no more tape changes.



### The Outcome



- Surprise outcomes:
  - if you build it, they will come
  - SaaS AND laaS (not PaaS)
  - IBM MSP relationship leveraging value credibility, resources, expectations.



## The Future



- Threats:
  - -Power ...
  - -Security ...
  - Politics ...



#### The Future



- Expand core deliverables for our ERP, CRM, eCommerce and Mobility solutions
- Offer Broader offerings hot-site replication, client-specific "unique" laaS solutions, Hosted DR/BCP, Cloud-backup of on-premise systems (MS Office), recalcitrant-backups
- Leveraging IBM's stack (incl. Cognos)...
- Deploy more IBM PureSystems Components: FlexSystems, PureFlex, PureApplications.







- Thank you
- •Questions?

