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# InfiniBand based storage target

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**Founded in Feb. 2000 by Veterans of Cheyenne Software which was acquired by CA for \$1.2B in 1996**

**Headquartered in Melville, New York**

- ▶ 300 (US/Asia/Europe) professionals and growing
- ▶ Global Sales and Support Infrastructure (15 in-country offices)

**Providing Network Storage Software to Optimize the **Availability (Data Protection)** of Business-Critical Data**

**Targeting Enterprise and SMB market**

- ▶ Proven Solution Deployed by over 2,000 Active Customers
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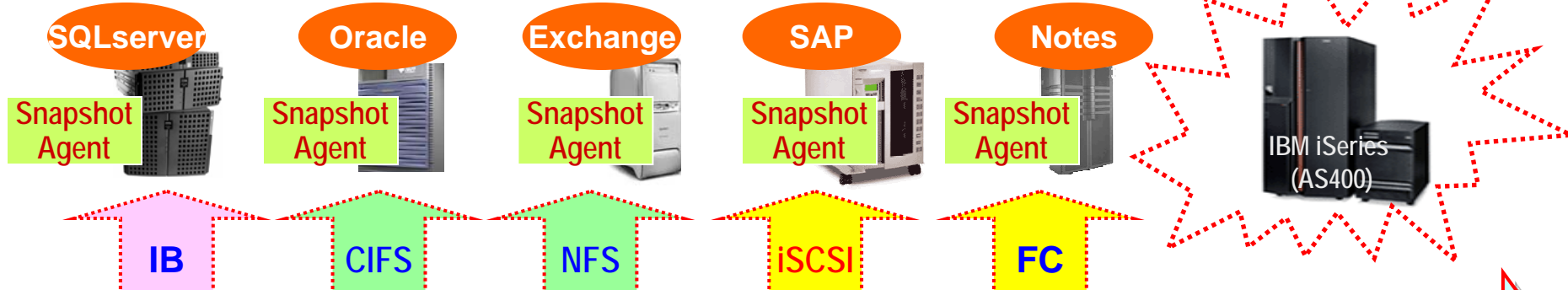
**Innovative Technology OEMed by Major Industry Players**

- ▶ EMC, HP, IBM, Intel, McData, Sun/StorageTek, Huawei-3Com, HIT

**Public Company (NASDAQ:FALC) with \$37M cash, no debt**

- ▶ Continuing Profitability & Positive Cash Flow since Q4-2004

# FalconStor's Unified Storage Architecture



**“Protocol-Independent” Host Connectivity Layer**

**Comprehensive Storage Services**  
Snapshot  
Mirroring  
TimeMark  
Replication  
Zero-Impact-Backup

WORM Disk    NAS Disk    iSCSI Disk    FC Disk    DLT    LTO

**“Hardware-Agnostic” Storage (Disk, Tape) Abstraction Layer**  
I/O Load Balancing, Controller/Path Fail-Over/Fail-Back

100% modular

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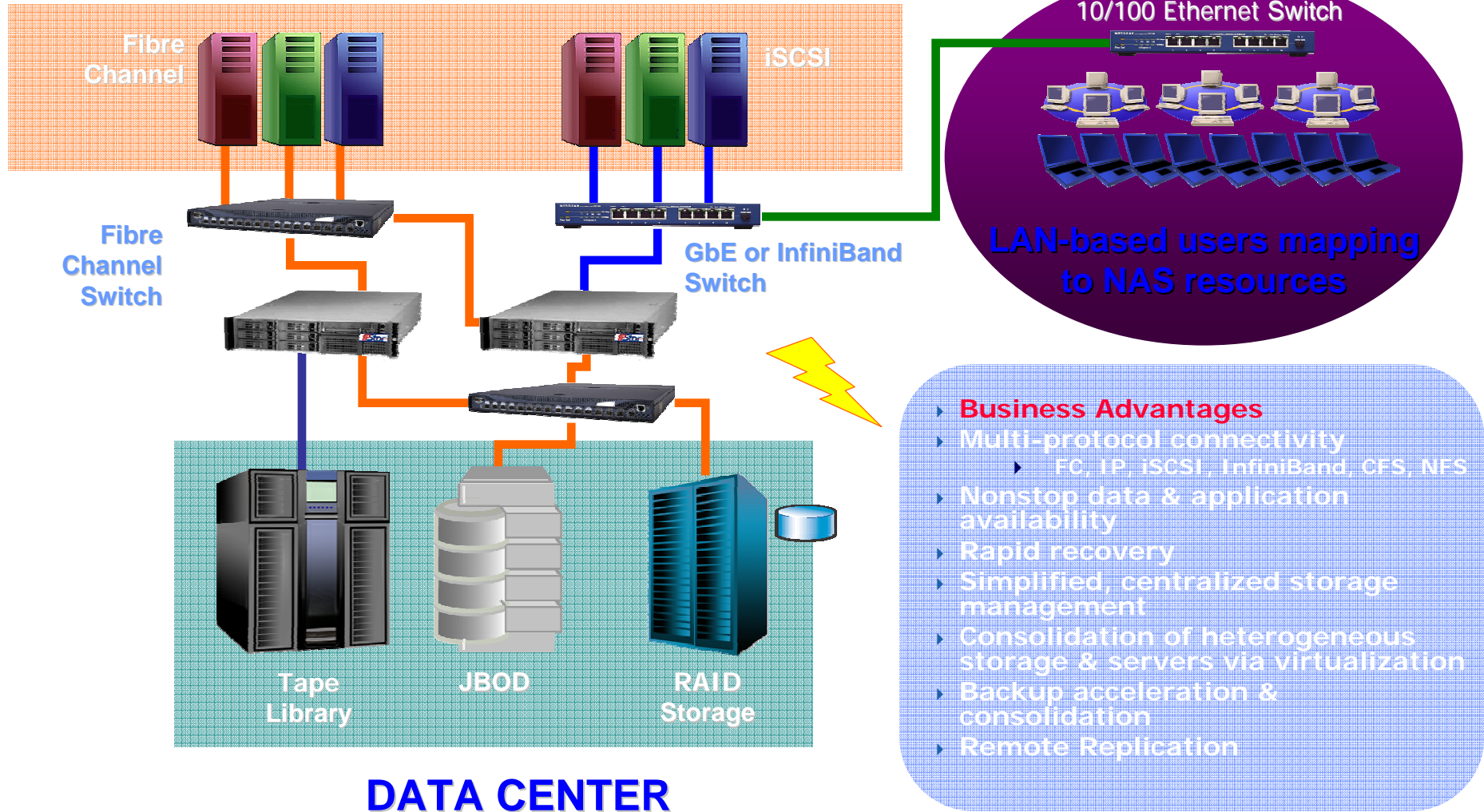


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## APPLICATION SERVERS

(Email, Web, Database, etc.)

Windows, Unix, Linux, NetWare, Macintosh, etc.



- ▶ **Business Advantages**
- ▶ Multi-protocol connectivity
  - ▶ FC, IP, iSCSI, InfiniBand, CFS, NFS
- ▶ Nonstop data & application availability
- ▶ Rapid recovery
- ▶ Simplified, centralized storage management
- ▶ Consolidation of heterogeneous storage & servers via virtualization
- ▶ Backup acceleration & consolidation
- ▶ Remote Replication

## DATA CENTER

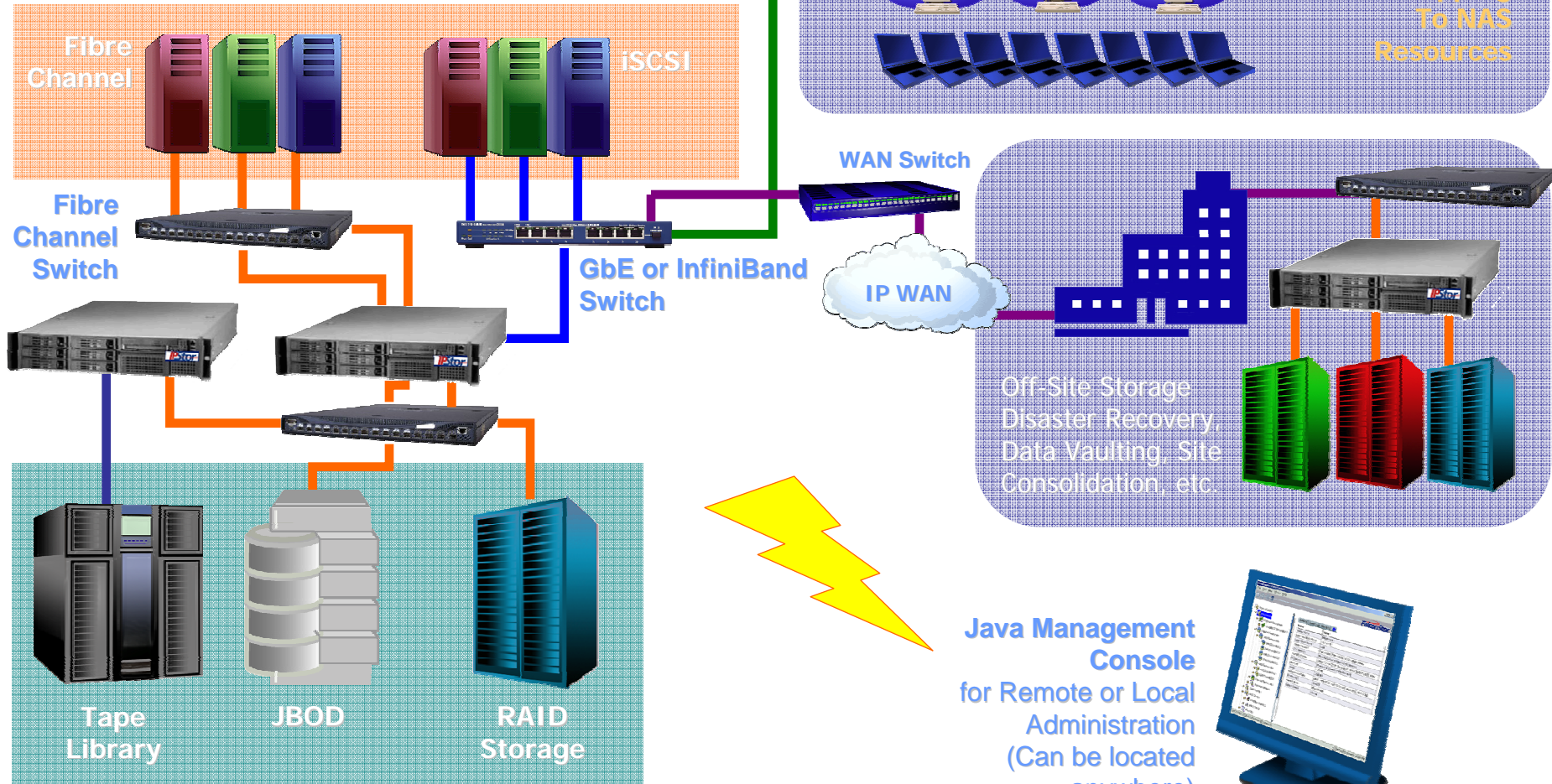
# Introduction to IPStor Topology



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The logo for FalconStor Software, featuring the company name in a stylized font with a circular graphic element above the 'o' in 'Stor'.

FalconStor  
Software

# iSCSI over InfiniBand

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- ▶ **Add InfiniBand support to existing iSCSI based product lines**
- ▶ **Leverage InfiniBand's high Performance**
- ▶ **Leverage iSCSI management tools**

- ▶ **Data Path – Over InfiniBand Verbs/CMA**
  - ▶ High Bandwidth, Low Latency, RDMA
  
- ▶ **Control Path – Using iSCSI headers**
  - ▶ Discovery, naming, security, error-recovery, booting, etc.
  
- ▶ **Leverages on the wide adoption of iSCSI**
  - ▶ OS code and storage products
  - ▶ Management tools and standard interfaces
  - ▶ Standardization, Testing and protocol maturity
  - ▶ End-user training



**InfiniBand solutions leverage the iSER (iSCSI RDMA) protocol, and FalconStor's IPStor software has been optimized for iSER to harness its advanced capabilities.**

**iSER brings significantly greater performance to iSCSI and leverages the protocol's existing comprehensive management capabilities, allowing heterogeneous storage environments to utilize a single protocol and management infrastructure.**

**iSER over 10 Gbps (SDR) and 20 Gbps (DDR) InfiniBand delivers markedly better performance than Fibre Channel at significantly lower costs.**

# Storage management is critical



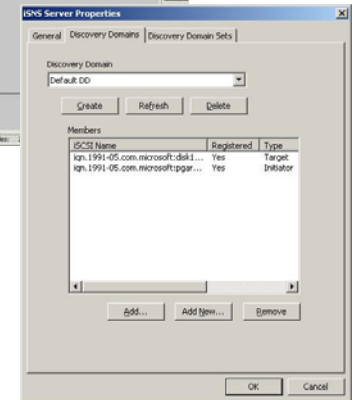
***"95% of the Global 3,500 firms surveyed complained that their main problem with storage was that it was hard to manage. A further illustration of the management problem came from the 45% which said it was their biggest storage expense."***

***Forrester Research***

Tivoli



Microsoft



Transparent  
integration  
examples

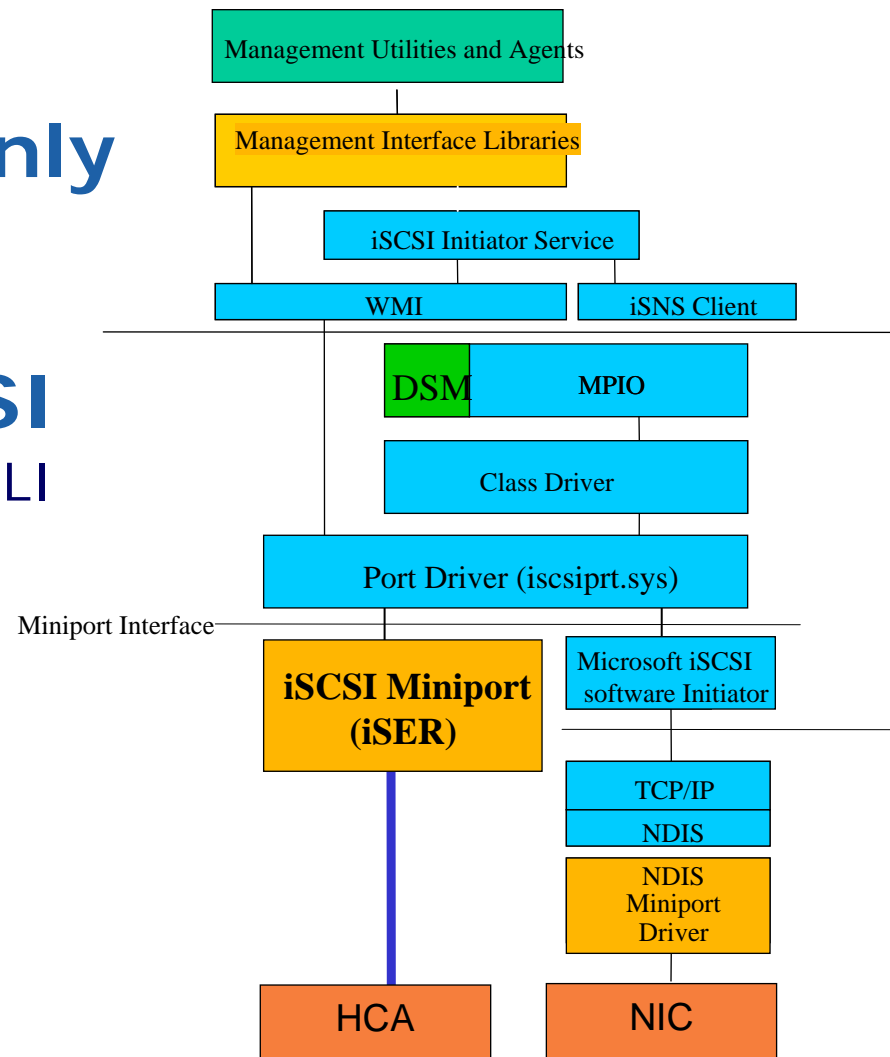
## Use iSER with existing storage management tools

- ▶ Coexists with FC tools through transparency and standard mappings
- ▶ Leverage on OS built in iSCSI Management support for Initiators
- ▶ Interoperable with iSCSI and iSNS management and provisioning tools

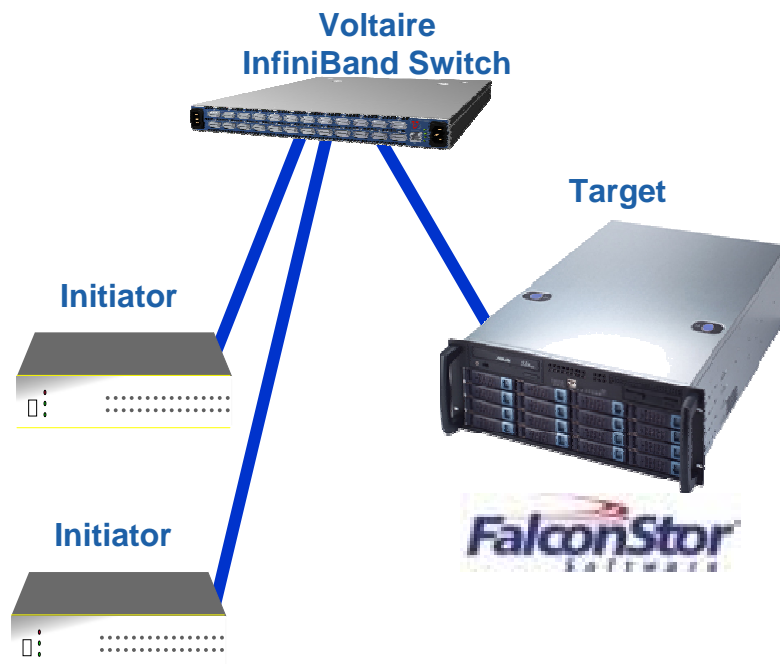
## iSER miniport driver only deals with transport

### Leveraging on MS iSCSI

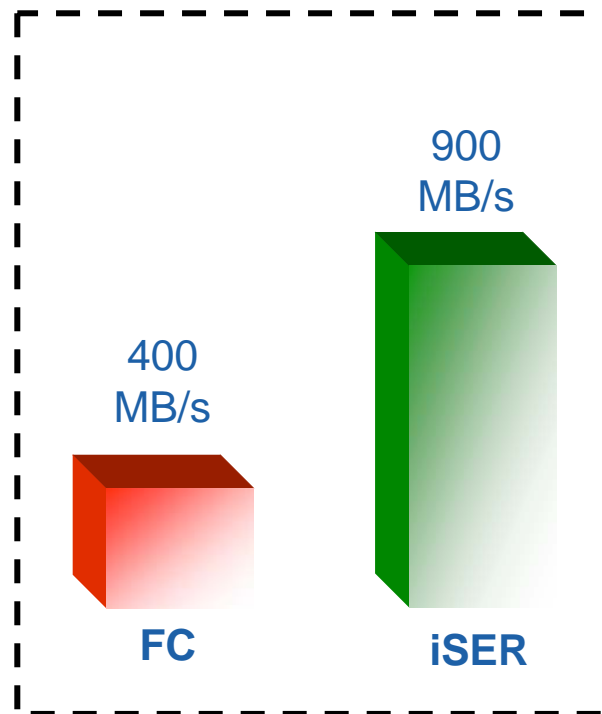
- ▶ Management with common CLI and GUI, storage explorer
- ▶ iSNS services for discovery, security, and notifications
- ▶ Active Directory
- ▶ Session management
- ▶ MPIO



# Commodity iSER Target



## Performance



Delivering unprecedented cost/performance,  
leveraging on industry standard components

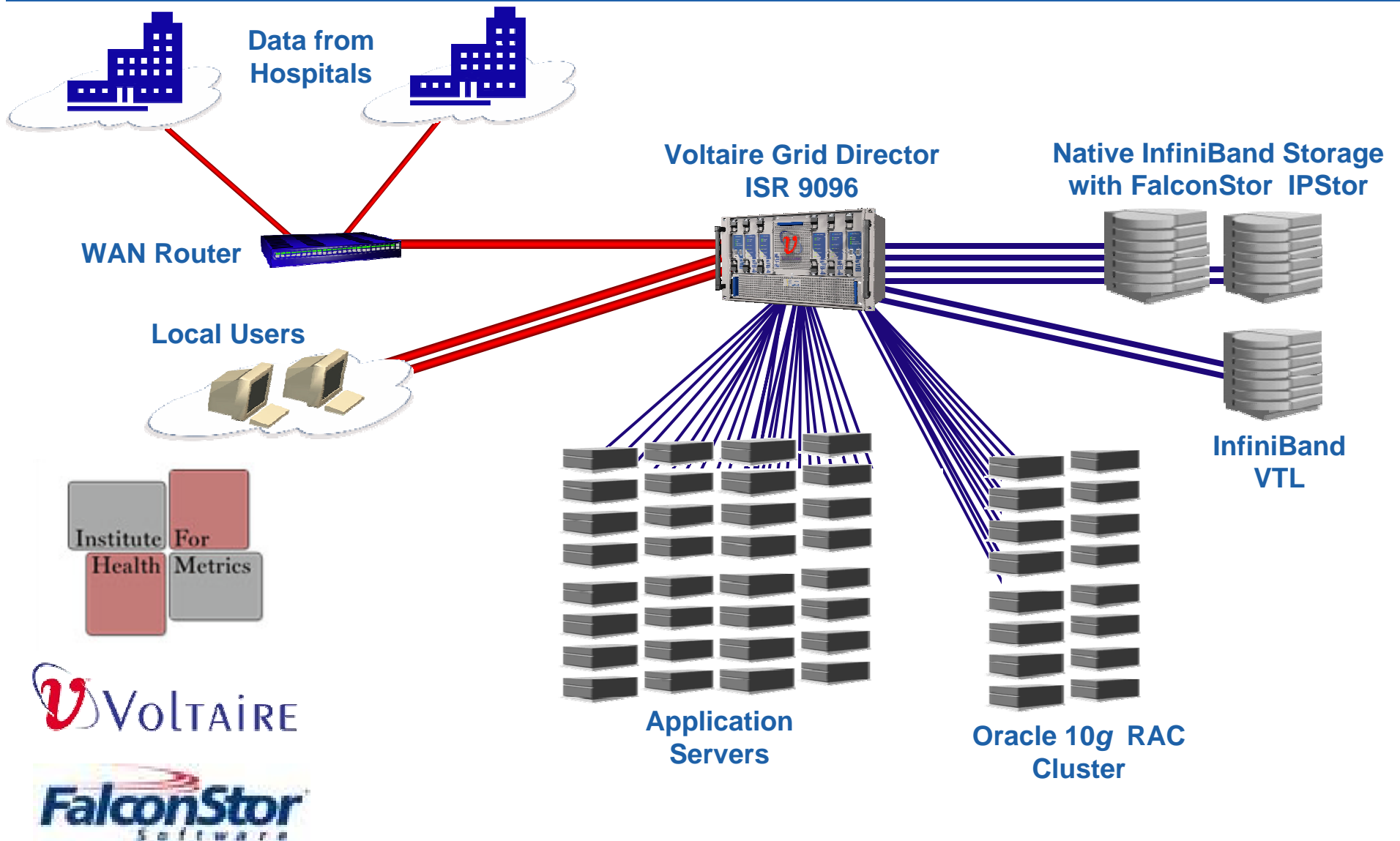
## Enterprise Customers

- ▶ Database configurations
  - Double storage performance
  - Reduce Storage costs by using off-the-shelf building blocks
- ▶ Backups and DRP systems

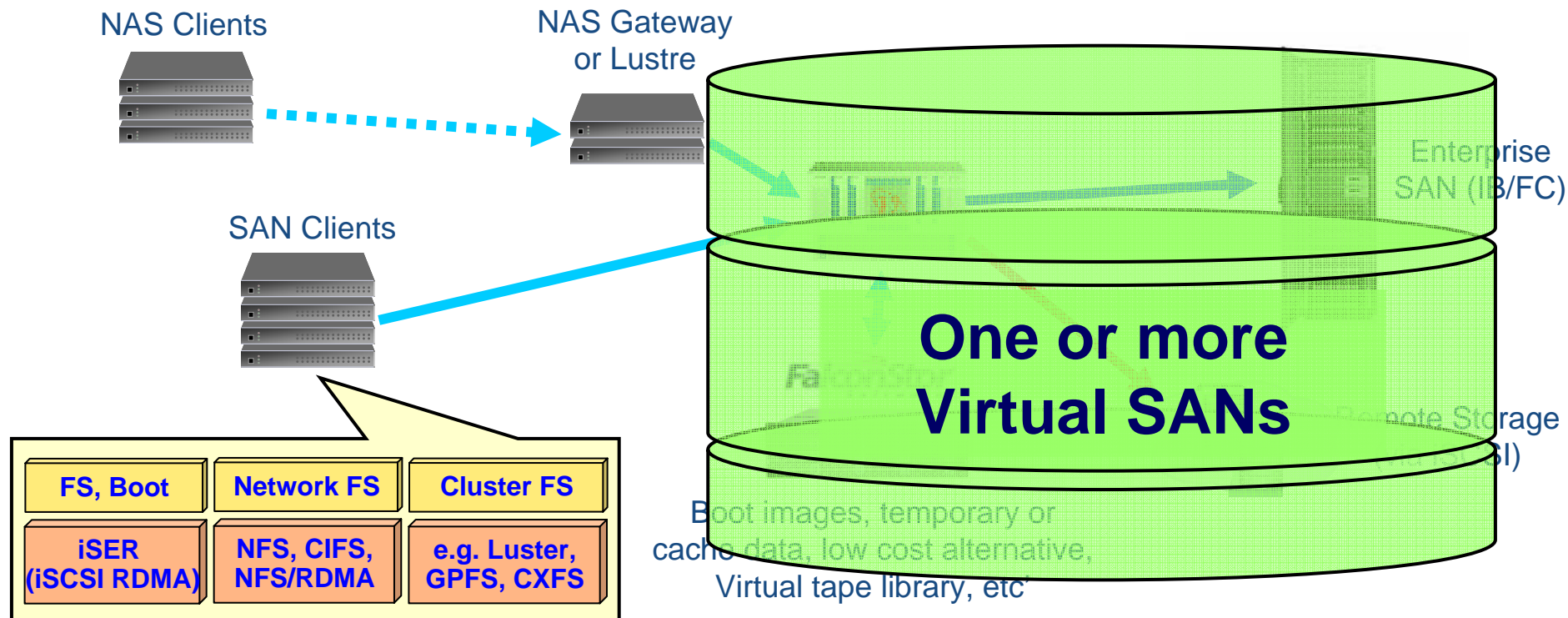
## HPC Customers

- ▶ Leverage your InfiniBand infrastructure for clustering and storage access
- ▶ Large scale grids and clusters will now have direct access to an InfiniBand SAN
- ▶ No need for expensive FC HBAs

# IHM Institute for Health Metrics: "FC Free" Data Center



# Typical Storage Configurations



Boot images and temporary/cached data served from a storage appliance, can be backed up in enterprise storage, improve storage access and reduce costs

Heterogeneous storage can be mapped to VSANs via iSCSI (iSNS)



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Management Solutions*

***iSCSI***



*High Performance Grid  
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**Thank You!**  
*Any Questions?*

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