



Demonstrating the Real Value of SOA

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Service Oriented Architecture Demystified

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Simplify your Enterprise SOA without Compromise

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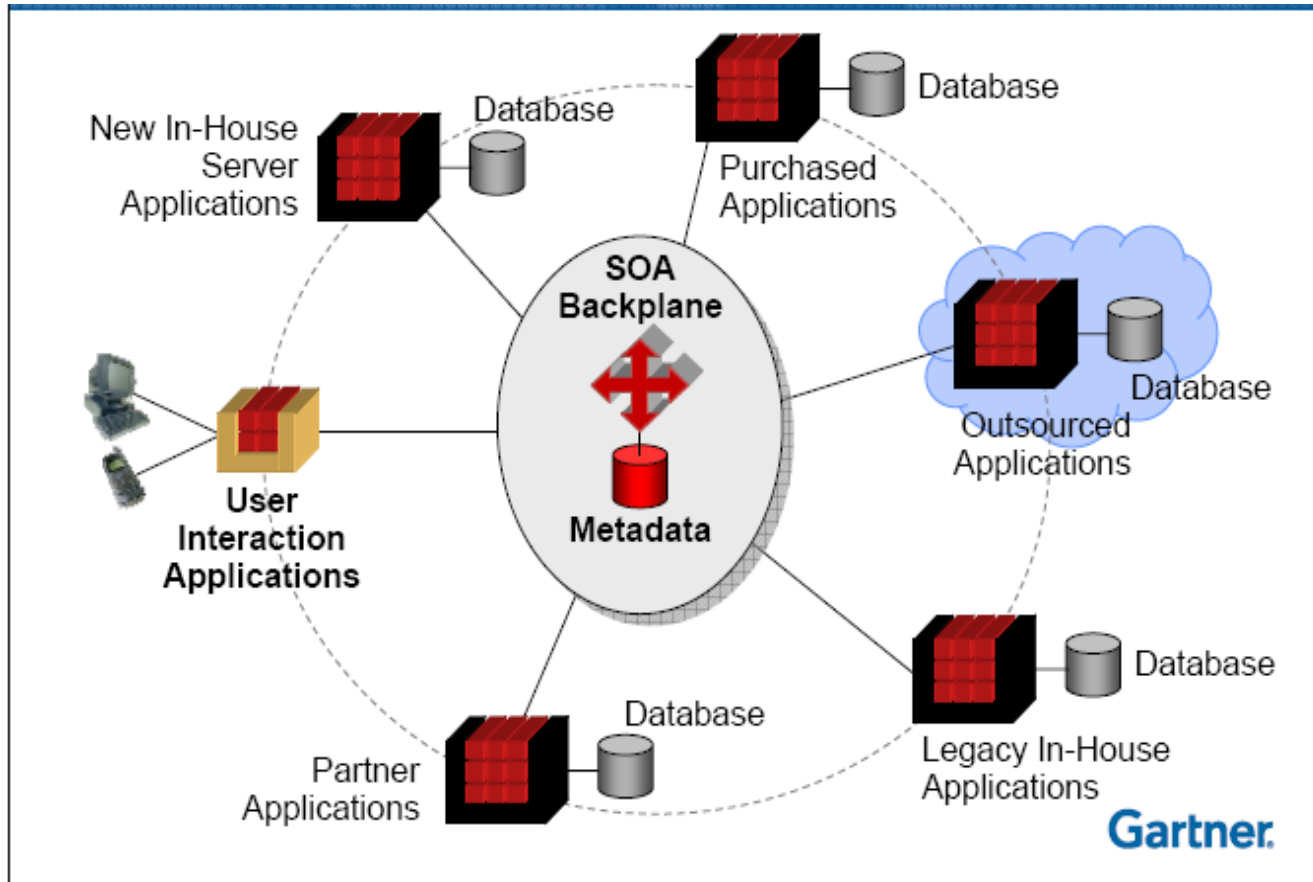
Today's Discussion

- Key Challenges in scaling SOA deployments
- Best Practices for Successful SOA Implementation
- Introduction to a SOA “Soft Appliance”
- Usages of a SOA “Soft Appliance”



**Today's Emphasis is Architecture
& Best Practices**

Context of a Service Oriented Architecture



Vision of SOA:

- Reuse across platforms and technology generations
- Common delivery of functions and data
- Flexible separation of rules
- Location independent and re-configurable interactions
- Agile alignment of IT assets to business process change

Source: Yefim Natis, Gartner
Patterns and Guidelines for Starting with SOA and Moving to Advanced SOA, 06/08

Key Challenges in an SOA Deployment

- **Crowded and confused SOA market** of complex non-interoperable products
- **Increased development time** spent learning new products and often coding adaptors to in place systems
- **Poor Performance** for mission critical applications due to poor XML performance
- **Increased capital costs** from incremental server farms of application servers
- **Increased complexity and marginal ROI**, the ideal SOA architecture isn't always translating into increased business value

SOA: Realities & Best Practices

- **Realities of SOA:**

- Reuse and Agility are the key objectives
- Getting these benefits at scale is hard
- Can't rip and replace legacy
- Current versions of major vendor suites are SOA
- One implementation of SOA at scale is not practical



- **Best Practices to move from SOA Vision to Reality**

- **Get the Foundation Right**

- Plan for Success ... Set the Long-Range goals for data, organization and shared infrastructure

- **Pilot, Iterate and Evolve**

- Think big, but start small ... Focus on Core rather than Context Processes

- **Implement the Big Bus and the Little Bus (Federated SOA)**

- Decouple Global and Local concerns ... process and technology

- **Keep an Eye on the Future**

- Use standards and leverage **SOA intermediaries** to evolve your computing infrastructure




SOA Appliance – Definition & Benefits

- **Definition:** An embedded system device that provides a narrow range of functions, and generally uses a dedicated hardware platform*

- **Traditional Benefits:**
 - Purpose built, high performance
 - Easy to manage and configure
 - Perceived as “more secure”

From Wikipedia (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Computer_appliance)

SOA Hardware Appliance Usage Progression

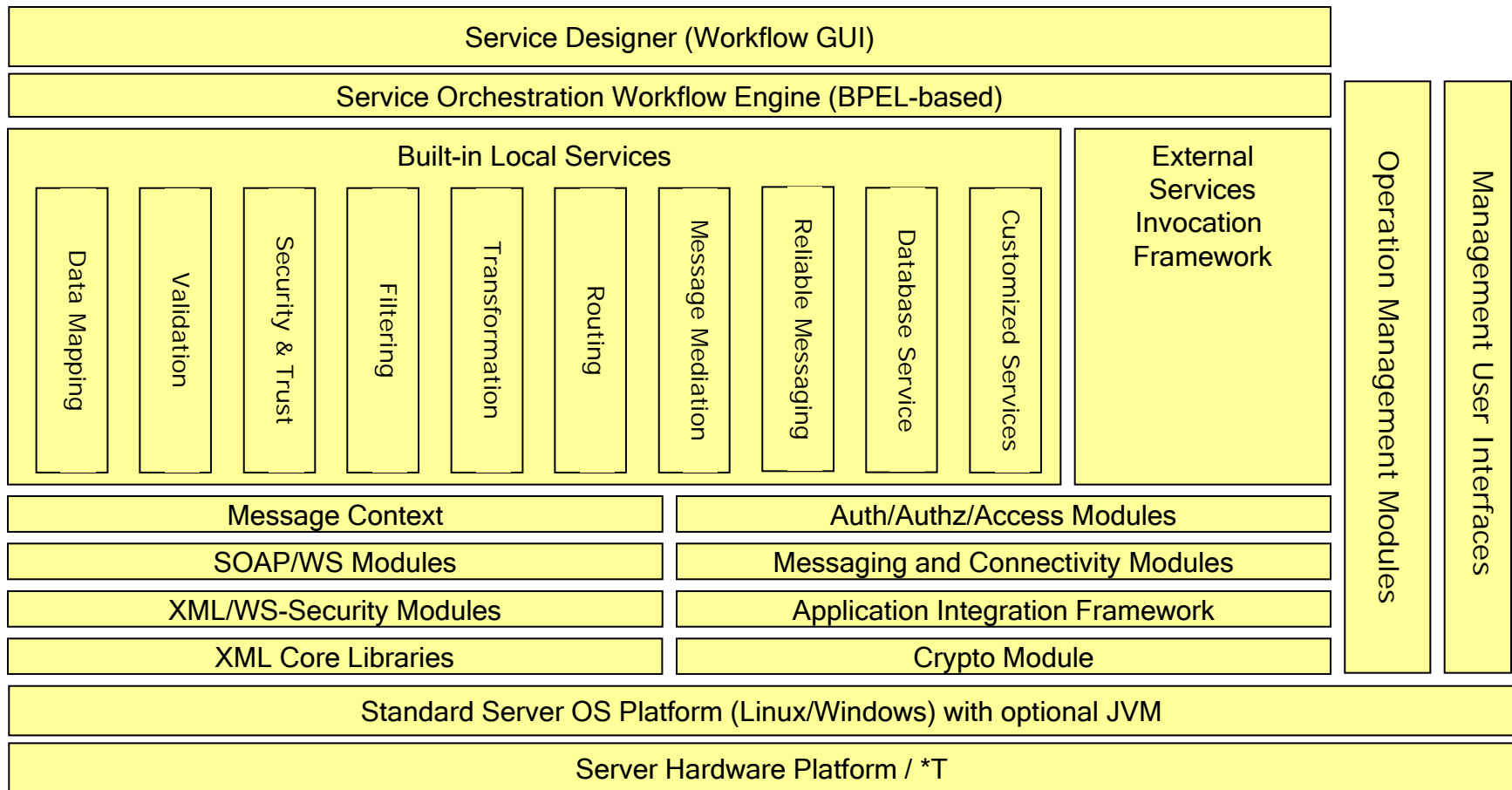
Date	Paradigm	Problem	Solution
2000	<div data-bbox="426 423 999 688" style="border: 2px solid black; border-radius: 15px; background-color: #e0f2f1; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Static XML</p> </div>	<p>"XML parsing and transformation is too slow to be useful for web sites; I need to process XML at wire speed."</p>	<p>Acceleration Appliance</p> 
2002-06	<div data-bbox="426 716 999 980" style="border: 2px solid black; border-radius: 15px; background-color: #e0f2f1; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>XML Web Services</p> </div>	<p>"I need to provide scalable XML security for my Web Services as well as central security policy enforcement."</p>	<p>Security Appliance</p> 
2007+	<div data-bbox="426 1002 999 1266" style="border: 2px solid black; border-radius: 15px; background-color: #e0f2f1; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>SOA Enablement</p> </div>	<p>"I need to service-enable legacy applications across disparate protocols and message formats"</p>	<p>Integration Appliance</p> 

Drawbacks of SOA Hardware Appliances

SOA Appliances seem like a good fit, but fall short. Why?

- **Initial Ease of Use comes at a Cost**
 - Ease of use and management are not necessarily intrinsic to hardware – the same features can be implemented in software
- **Limited Extensibility/Flexibility**
 - New features in the form of custom steps often wait a full release cycle for inclusion
 - Addition of NIC cards (ports) is impossible without a new appliance model
 - Addition of expansion boards is impossible (such as Crypto accelerators)
 - The reality of uniform security policy requirements means that appliances may be required to include on-board IDS software or be rejected for use
 - Appliances can't be extended to meet new security features and standards over time and require a costly refresh
- **Deployment Limits**
 - Purpose built appliances are 6-12 months behind the latest CPU technology
 - Ownership problems in the datacenter can leave the appliance in a state of limbo (“We don't know where this fits!”). For example – is it owned by the networking group or application group or both?
- **Incremental Costs**
 - Distributed development teams require additional appliances just for development purposes – appliances can't be virtualized like software. Inefficient use of costly data center real estate.
 - Old appliances must be discarded or returned when upgraded, unlike general purposes servers which can be reused
 - Higher TPS/Watt usage over general purpose servers.

SOA “Soft” Appliance – Software Components



Simplified SOA without Compromise:

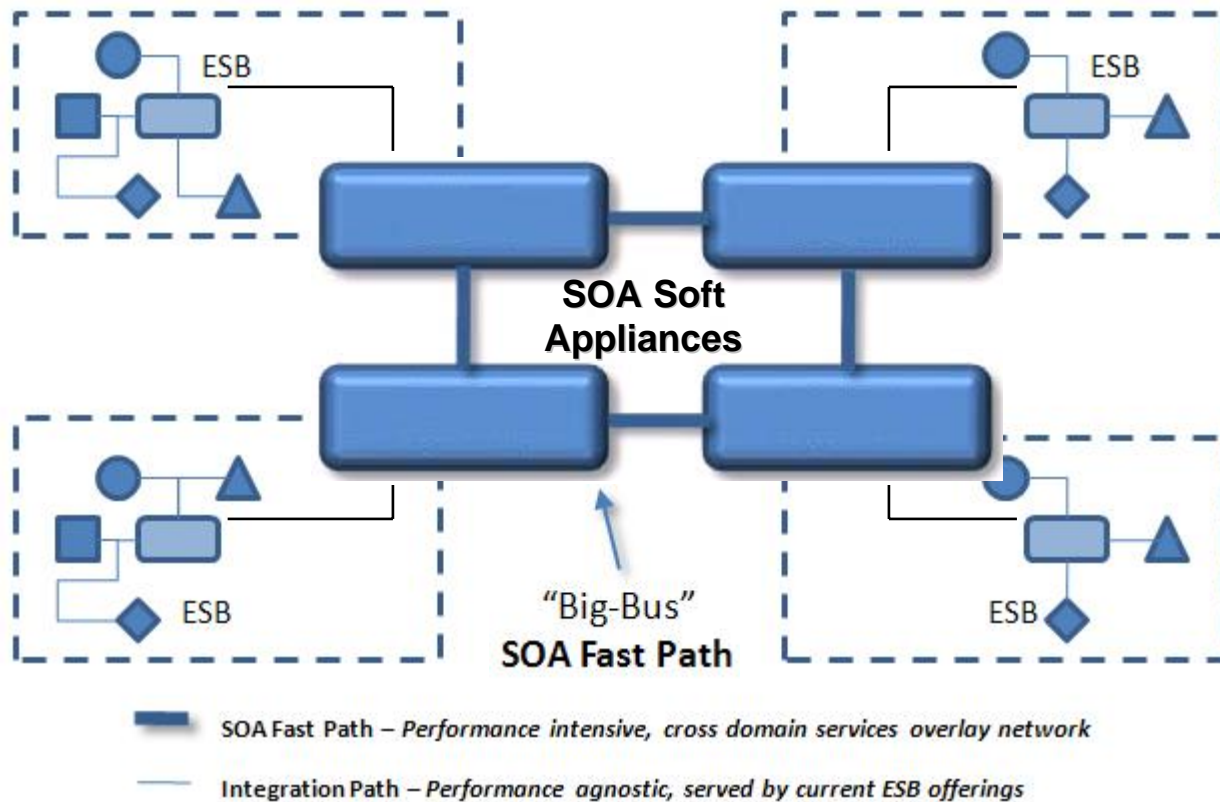
Simplicity and Performance of an Appliance + Flexibility of Software

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SOA “Soft” Appliance – Network Edge Deployment

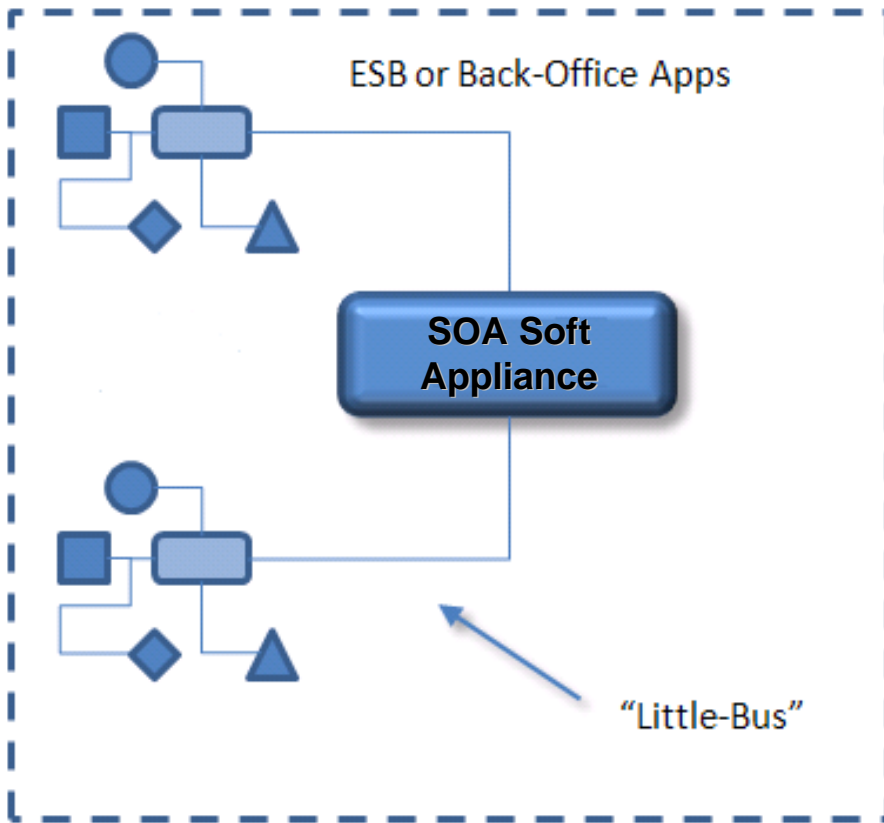
- *Beginning with disparate “Little Bus” domains...i.e. a Federated SOA deployment*



- **Deployment Characteristics**

- SOA Gateway, security & workflow
- Appliance reliability
- Software flexibility
- Cross domain, XML-rich application
- Scalable, High Performance

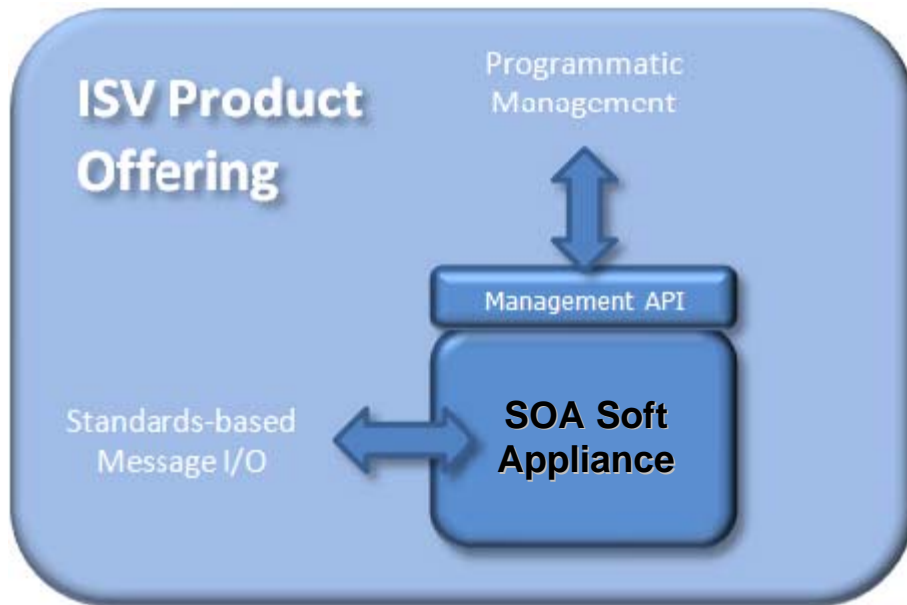
SOA “Soft” Appliance – Internal Network Deployment



• Deployment Characteristics

- SOA performance pain points
 - Service Enablement
 - Service Virtualization
 - High speed workflow execution
 - XML filtering, routing and validation
 - Non-XML data integration
 - Transformation or security offload

SOA “Soft” Appliance – Bundle / OEM Deployment



- **Deployment Characteristics**

- Embeddable SOA Workflow Engine
 - Private Labeling, Re-skinable User Interface
 - Programmatic Management API
 - JBI and Axis2 Web Service Support
 - Standard message-based I/O

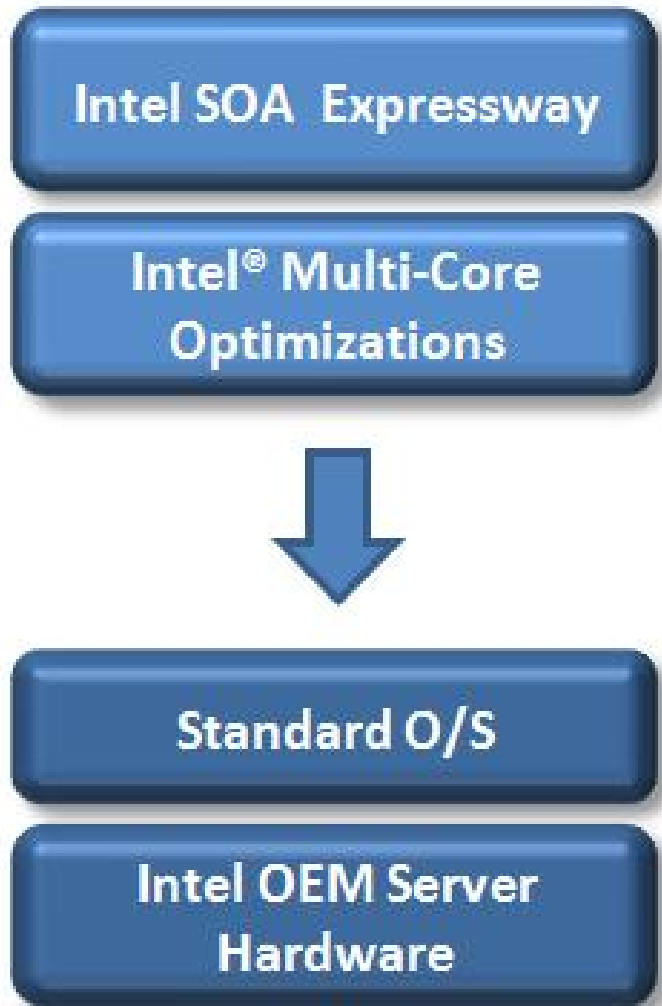
SOA “Soft” Appliance Usage Summary

- SOAP and XML Processing Accelerator
- Hardened Perimeter Security Gateway
- Enterprise Service Virtualization Platform
- Mainframe SOA Enabler
- Secure, High Speed B2B Gateway
- Near Real-time Service Pipeline to data marts
- Embedded Workflow and Service container for applications

Simplified SOA without Compromise:

Broad usage model support on a common, easy to deploy platform

SOA Expressway – SOA “Soft” Appliance



- **Feature Overview**

- **SOA Acceleration**

- Workflow and XML/WS-* acceleration
- Non-XML Data Format Conversion
- Built on Proven Sarvega, Inc. Technology

- **Codeless Orchestration Designer**

- **Appliance Ease of Deployment**

- Appliance manageability, Software flexibility
- Alarms, alerts and logging
- Cluster based, black-box management
- Multi O/S Support: Redhat, Suse, Windows
- VMM Support (Xen, VMWare, Microsoft)

- **Software Extensibility**

- Onboard Java Integration Framework
- Custom protocol support

- **Optimized for Intel Multi-Core**

- Scales with off-the-shelf servers
- Ties to future Xeon optimizations

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