▷ Virtualization of 3D graphics is taking off

POWERFUL AND WIDE RANGE OF BUSINESS DRIVERS

▹ Global workforce

▹ Security of intellectual property

▹ Time-to-market

▹ Work from anywhere

▹ Disaster recovery

▹ Cost efficiencies

GLOBAL PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TEAMS – REAL EXAMPLE

Germany

United States

China

Korea

India

Brazil

Australia

GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT EFFORT - REAL EXAMPLE

30,000 CAD files or 70 GB of data to be synchronized every day

Across 26 design centers (30,000+ users)

Across 16 countries

It took 2 weekends to sync all code updates!

More challenging for 4,000+ suppliers and partners

ENHANCED IP CONTROL, COLLABORATION AND GLOBAL AGILITY

R & D

QA

R & D

Sales & Marketing

Supplier

Support

Manufacturing & Logistics

Data stays in data center
Access via LAN or WAN

CITRIX CUSTOMERS USING GPU ACCELERATION

VIRTUALIZE GRAPHICS WORKSTATIONS IN THE CLOUD

HDX 3D Pro Clients

XenApp

Windows app virtualization

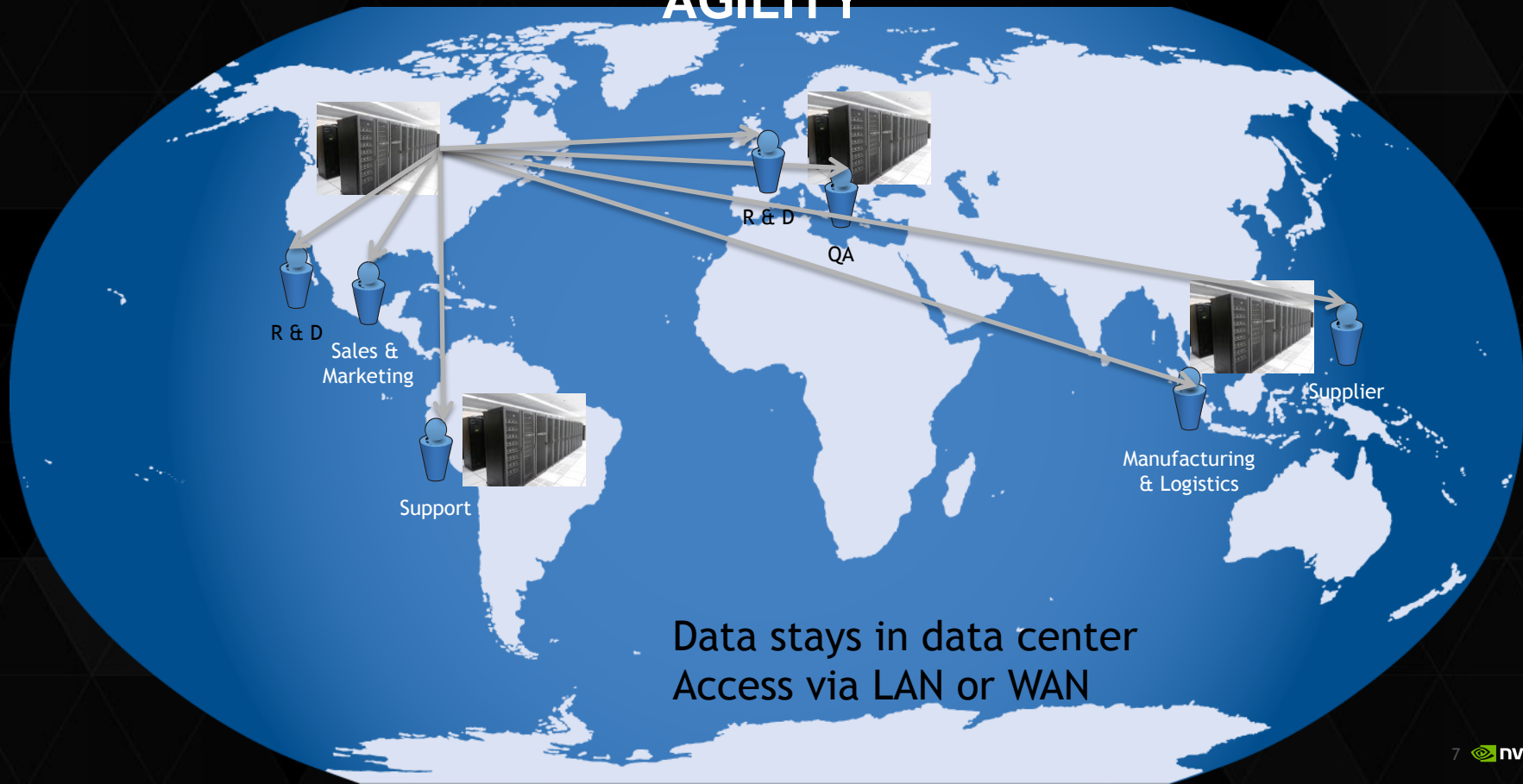Mobilize Windows apps for maximum security, control and performance

HDX 3D Pro

Deliver desktops and apps with best performance using GPU acceleration

XenDesktop

Windows app and desktop virtualization

Deliver virtual Windows desktops with the best cost, performance and security for every business need

XenServer

Open source platform for cost-effective cloud, server, and desktop virtualization infrastructures

COMPONENTS FOR HDX 3D PRO

▷ Shared GPU for Desktops

- ▹ XenDesktop 7.5
- ▹ XenServer 6.2 Service Pack 1
- ▹ NVIDIA GRID K1 and K2 boards
- ▹ Latest NVIDIA GRID vGPU **Drivers**
- ▹ GRID & XenServer Compatible Servers

▷ Shared GPU for Apps

- ▹ XenApp 6.5 or XenApp 7.5
- ▹ Bare Metal; vSphere; XenServer
- ▹ NVIDIA graphics cards
- ▹ Latest NVIDIA GRID vGPU **Drivers**
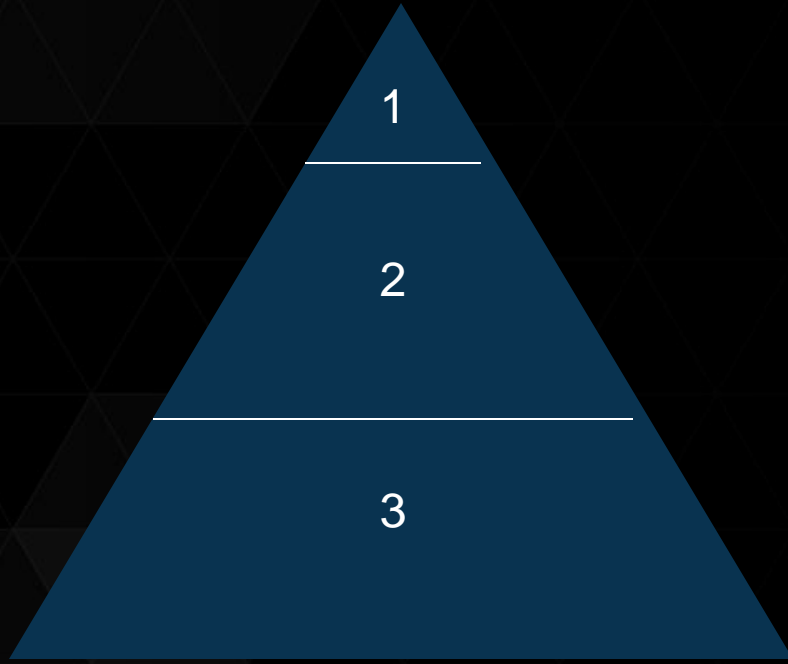- ▹ XenServer Compatible Servers

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COMMON QUESTIONS

▷ XenDesktop VDI or RDS (XenApp)?

▷ Which NVIDIA card?

▷ If XenApp, bare metal or hypervisor?

▷ What server hardware?

▷ How many VMs per host? How many users per GPU?

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BEFORE YOU BEGIN... ASK QUALIFYING QUESTIONS

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UNDERSTAND AND SEGMENT THE USER POPULATION

Tier 1: Professional users
(e.g. design engineers, radiologists)
• Top rendering performance
• 3D mouse support

Tier 2: Power users
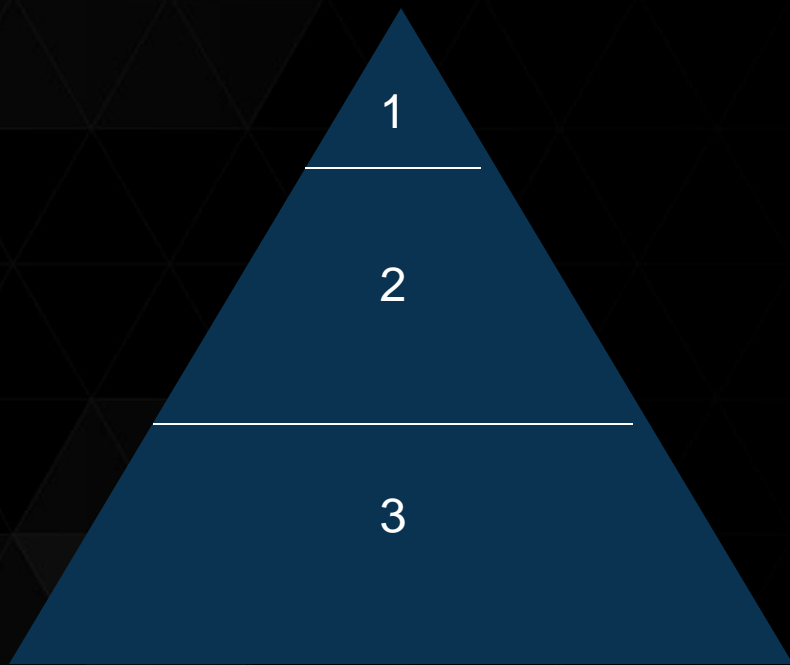• Viewing of large 3D models, basic editing

Tier 3: Knowledge workers
• Limited use of 3D graphics today
• 2D apps, Aero effects of Windows, HD videos, PowerPoint slide transitions, etc.

USER SEGMENT DETERMINES BASIC APPROACH

1

2

3

Tier 1: Professional users
(e.g. design engineers, radiologists)
• **VDI workload** for best user experience
• Dedicated GPU or high-end vGPU profile

Tier 2: Power users
• **GPU sharing** for reasonable cost per user
• Choice of **VDI or RDS** workloads

Tier 3: Knowledge workers
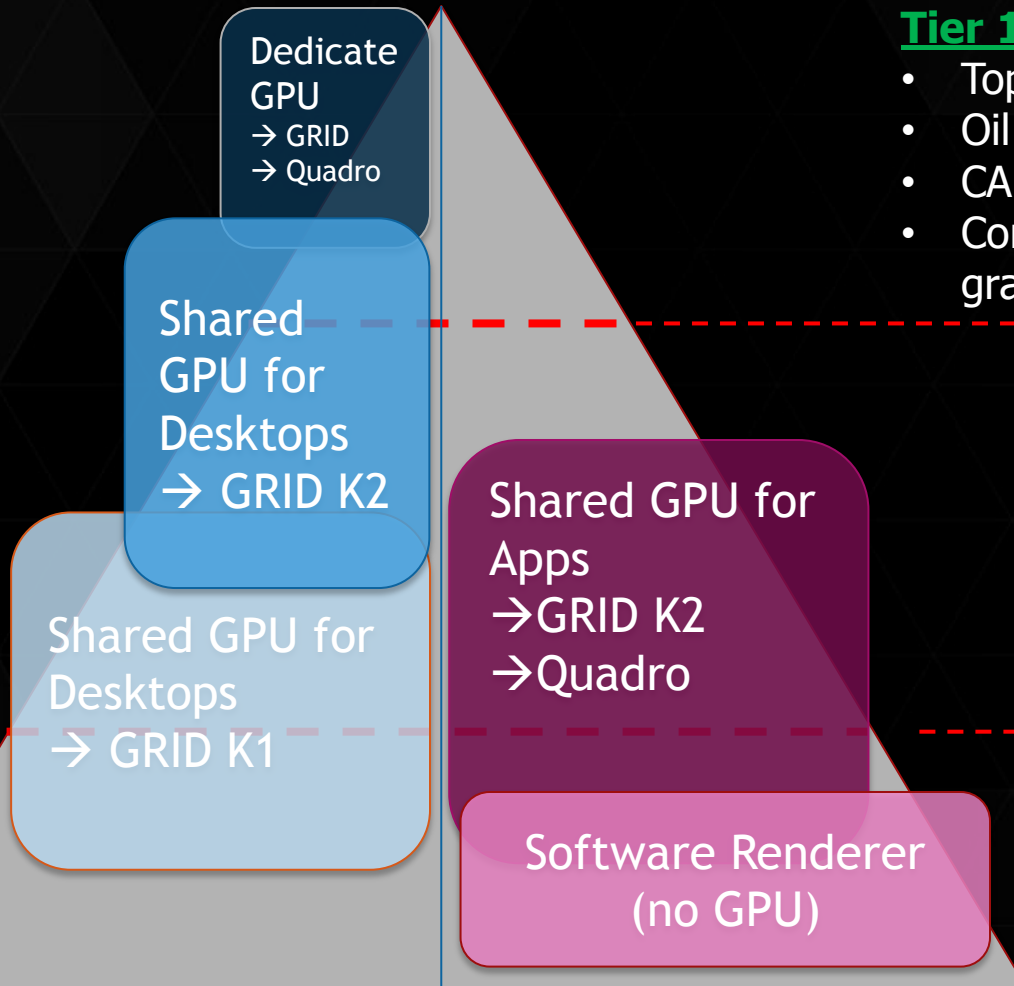• Software rasterizer or highly shared GPU

TIER 2 USERS: VDI OR RDS?

▷ Both approaches support:

  ▸ GPU sharing with direct access to the graphics driver and hardware (no API intercept)

  ▸ DirectX and OpenGL graphics acceleration

  ▸ Adaptive H.264-based Deep Compression or pixel-perfect Lossless Compression

  ▸ Delivery of full virtual desktop or seamless apps to multiple monitors

▷ Differences:

VDI – *Performance & Compatibility*	RDS – *Lowest Cost Per User*
3D mouse support	Lowest cost (e.g. Microsoft licenses)
Broadest app compatibility	Apps must be RDS compatible
CUDA and OpenCL support on bare metal but not yet supported by GRID vGPU	CUDA and OpenCL support is currently "experimental" pending field validation

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RDS-COMPATIBLE PROFESSIONAL GRAPHICS APPS

▷ Some *examples* from autodeskandcitrix.com, Citrix Ready site, etc.
(Note: AppDNA makes it easy to check XenApp compatibility)

▸ Lots of Autodesk apps, including:

  ▸ AutoCAD

  ▸ Inventor

  ▸ Revit

  ▸ Navisworks

▸ Bentley MicroStation

▸ Ansys Workbench and Fluent

- Dassault CATIA and 3D VIA Composer Player
- ESRI ArcGIS
- Intergraph SmartPlant 3D
- Adobe Photoshop (Creative Suite)
- SAP Right Hemisphere 3D
- Siemens Solid Edge and Teamcenter

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NVIDIA GRID K1   # NVIDIA GRID K2

	NVIDIA GRID K1	NVIDIA GRID K2
GPU	4 Kepler GPUs	2 High End Kepler GPUs
CUDA cores	768 (192 per GPU)	3072 (1,536 per GPU)
Memory Size	16GB DDR3 (4GB per GPU)	8GB GDDR5 (4GB per GPU)
OpenGL	up to 4.3	up to 4.3
DirectX	up to 11	up to 11
GRID vGPU support	XenServer 6.2 SP1	XenServer 6.2 SP1
User Density	up to 32 (64-96 per server)	up to 16 (32-48 per server)

¹ Number of users depends on software solution, workload, and screen resolution

CHOOSING THE SERVER HARDWARE

Cisco UCS C240 M3

Dell PowerEdge R720

Fujitsu Celsius C620
Fujitsu Celsius R930
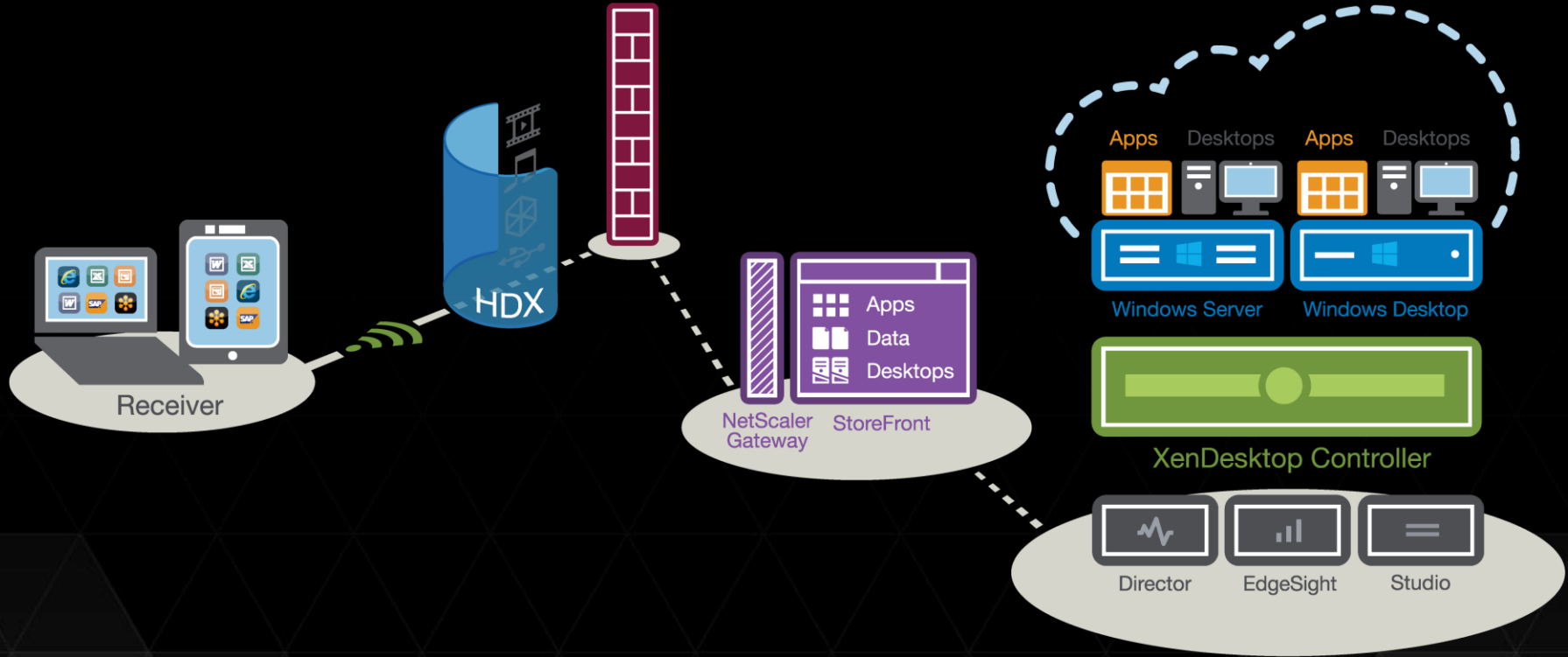
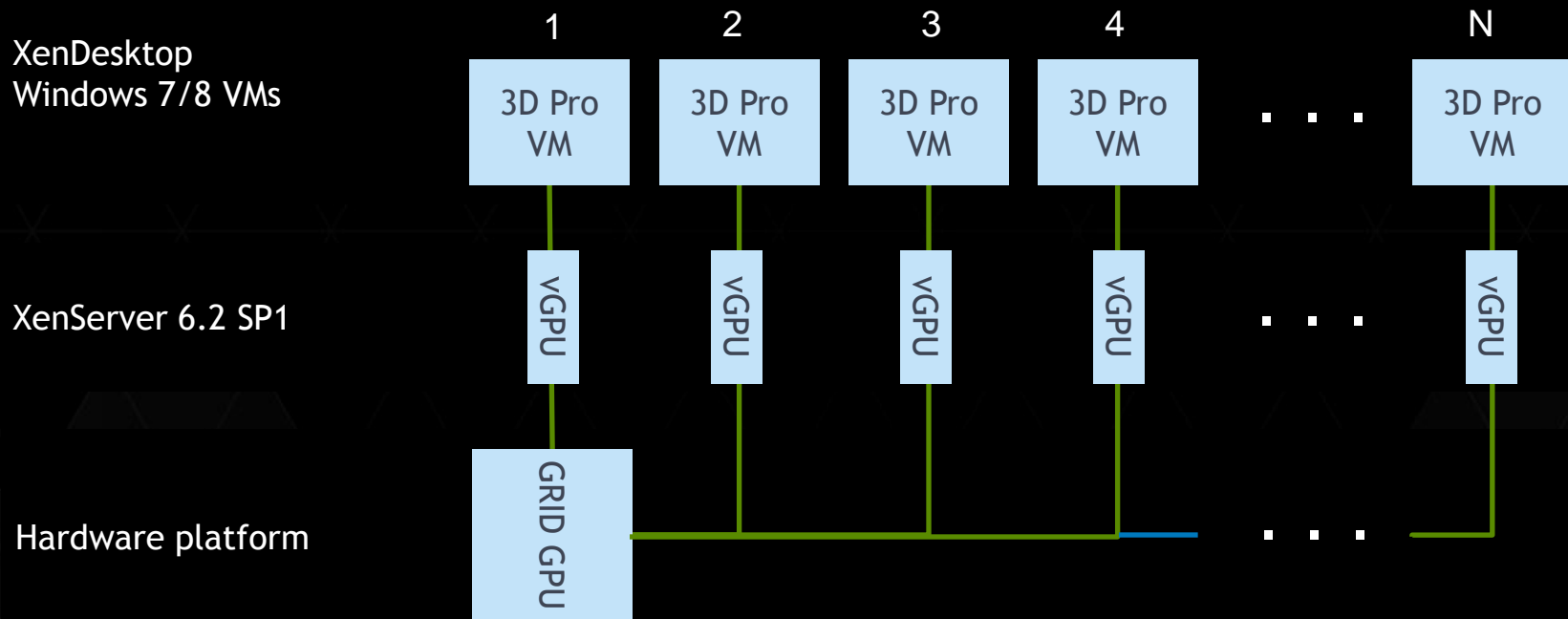HP ProLiant WS460c Gen8
HP ProLiant SL250s Gen8

IBM iDataPlex dx360 M4
IBM Flex System

▹ Obviously, choose a server that supports your graphics card selection

▹ Check hypervisor compatibility!

  ▹ XenServer: http://hcl.xensource.com/GPUPass-throughDeviceList.aspx

▹ Check eDocs for HDX 3D Pro minimum server requirements

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XENDESKTOP ARCHITECTURE
WINDOWS APPS AND DESKTOPS AS MOBILE SERVICES

GPU SHARING WITH XENAPP

Session 1 | Session 2 | Session 3 | Session 4 | Session 5 | ... | Session N-1 | Session N

XenApp Windows Server VMs

XenApp VM | . . . . | XenApp VM | XenApp VM | XenApp VM

XenServer _or_ vSphere _or_ Bare Metal

Hardware platform

GPU | . . . | GPU | GPU | GPU

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS VARY EVEN WITH THE SAME APPLICATION ..
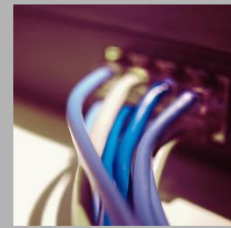
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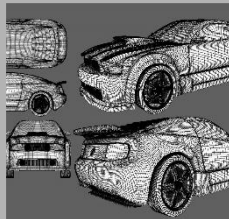Utilization

Memory
Utilization

Storage
Capacity & I/O

Network

GPU Core
Utilization

GPU Memory
Utilization

Application
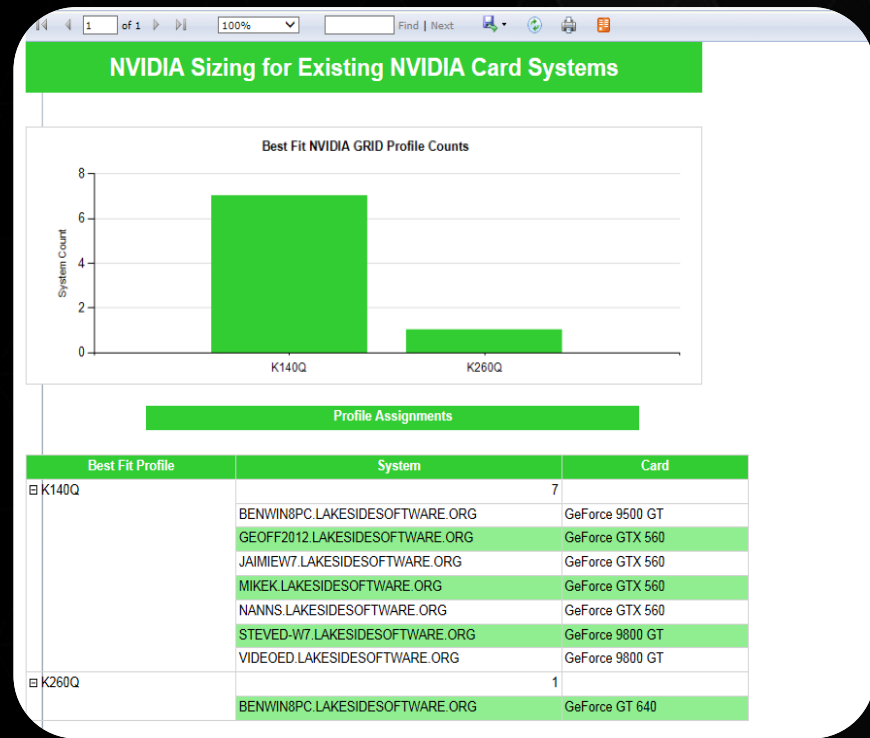Architecture

Usage
Concurrency

TOOLS NEEDED

▷ Citrix Director + Edgesight

▷ Citrix HDX Monitor (CTX135817)

▷ GPU-Z

▷ Task Manager

▷ Perfmon
  – CPU
  – Memory
  – Disk
  – Network

▷ Lakeside Software SysTrack
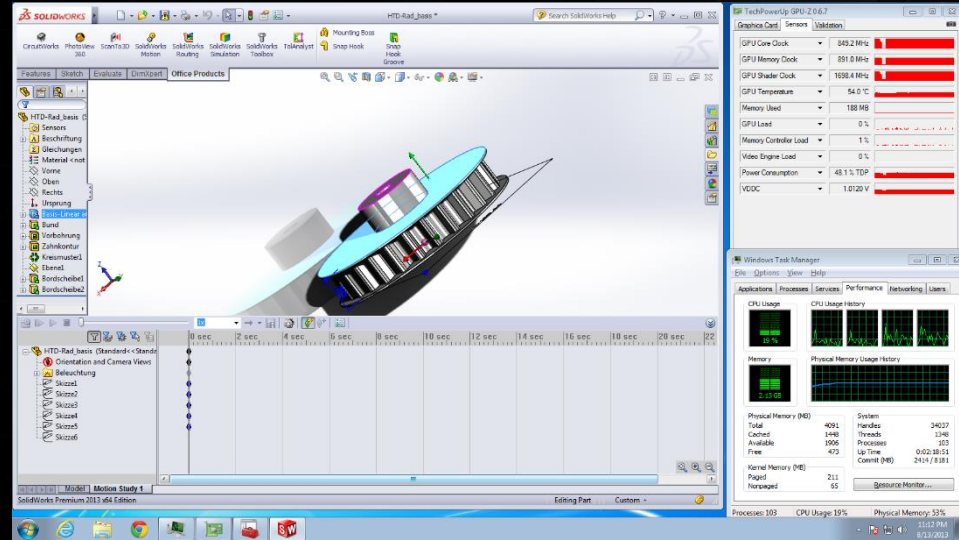

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SAMPLE APP: DASSAULT SOLIDWORKS

4-vCPU Windows 7 VM

GPU Passthrough

NVIDIA K1 (192 cores GPU)

▸ **Performance Profile (Average)**

▸ CPU Load: 18% (41% peak)

▸ GPU Load: 5% (25% peak)

▸ GPU Memory: 188 MB (net 64MB)

▸ Network Out: 752 Kbps (2.3 Mbps peak)

▸ Network In: 43 Kbps

▸ Disk Reads/Sec: <1

▸ Disk Writes/Sec: 4 (21 peak)

NUMA AFFINITY IMPROVES PERFORMANCE

Avoid the overhead of going through the CPU interconnect

▸ **Improves performance by up to 15% depending on the application and use case**

Courtesy of NVIDIA Corp.

STORAGE CONSIDERATIONS

▸ IOPS

  ▸ Initial data load – MBs to GBs of data, 10s to 100s IOPS

  ▸ Steady state – 10-200 IOPS (SolidWorks, AutoDesk Inventor, AutoDesk Revit, Right Hemisphere, GoogleEarth)

▸ Storage

  ▸ Local SSD

  ▸ SAN or NAS

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NETWORK CONSIDERATIONS – BANDWIDTH CONSUMPTION

▸ Bandwidth requirement is use-case specific

▸ Range is between average of 300 Kbps to 2 Mbps

▸ Case examples

  ▸ Custom imaging application - 300-500 Kbps

  ▸ GoogleEarth - ~1-1.5 Mbps

  ▸ Siemens NX for electronics use case - ~1Mbps
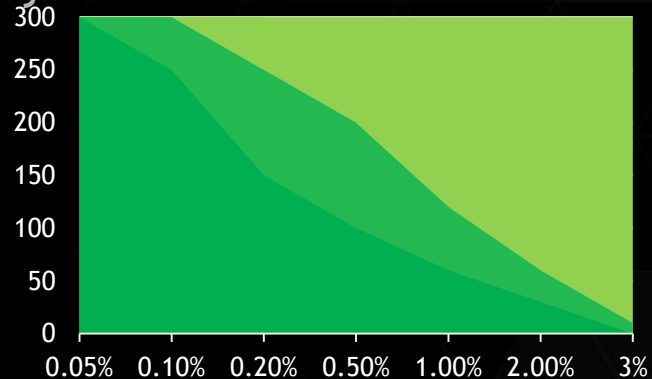
NETWORK CONSIDERATIONS – NETWORK LATENCY

Latency (ms)	Rating	Comments
<= 50	Best	Suitable for most demanding use cases; for example: animation or panning complex maps
51 to 100	Better	Suitable up to power user requirements; non-interactive and "viewing" workflows
101 to 150	Good	Provides very usable sessions but some use cases may find it sluggish.
151 to 300	Acceptable	Remote sites like India and China may find it acceptable.
>301	Use-case specific	Some use cases may still find it usable such as technical reviewers or writers working from remote locations.

LOOKING AHEAD... FRAMEHAWK INNOVATIONS

Enhancements to the HDX stack will benefit 3D graphics users on difficult network connections

▷ Human heuristic driven graphics display

▷ Image/pattern recognition

▷ Instantly interruptible graphics layer

▷ QoS signals amplifier

▷ Time-based heat map

Framehawk will extend HDX to support even more demanding network conditions

All tests are conducted at 250ms
and mobile scenarios varying from 5% to 50% loss

RECAP

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Getting Started with HDX 3D Pro

Reviewer's Guide for Remote 3D Graphics Apps

Part 3: XenServer GPU Virtualization (vGPU)

with XenDesktop 7 Apps,
NVIDIA GRID K1/K2 cards,
Dell R720 Server

http://blogs.citrix.com/2013/09/10/new-reviewers-guide-for-xendesktop-7-hdx-3d-pro-graphics-on-both-xenserver-and-vsphere/

http://blogs.citrix.com/2013/12/24/scripting-automating-the-testing-of-graphic-intensive-gpu-workloads/

Release Notes and Admin Guide, on
http://www.citrix.com/go/vGPU

Design Guide for Virtual Design Engineering

ADDITIONAL INFO ABOUT CITRIX HDX 3D PRO