# TeleRenaissance<sup>™</sup>: target→ Autonomic Communications



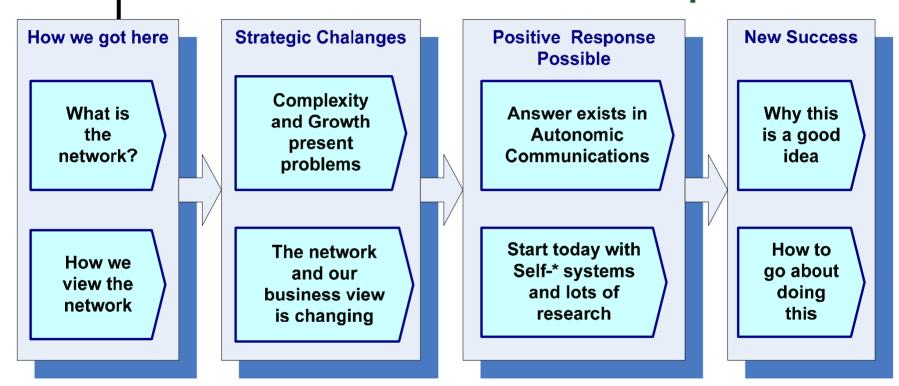
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In mathematics you don't understand things.
You just get used to them.
- Johann von Neumann



### **Presentation Roadmap**



#### o This is all discussed in detail with our papers

- The New Telecom Ecosystem parts 1 & 2
- Autonomic Networks Autonomic Communication
- Self-\* Networks: Helping Networks Help Themselves
- Architects Anonymous: Rehab for Telecom

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### What is the network?

From millions to billions of connections and growing →

- o Yesterday (1993) the mainstream view was:
  - devices and connections
- o Then it grew ...over 15 years ...to include:

Routing

**Users** 

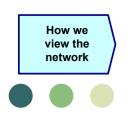
Processes and databases

Management software

**Devices** 

Web of information

Peering networks





### **Boundaries Expanding**

soon to add a billion connections a year →

- The system becomes much more complex
  - From the connection to the information flowing over the connection
- Provider corporate boundaries are expanding
  - New end-to-end partner supply chain
  - New information revolution
- Definition of Provider is expanding to OTT SPs
- o Yet:
  - Forced to free the customer from ownership!
  - Relationship management now our goal.







And does it even work today?

#### From the mouths of Operators...

- Number of connections and bandwidth is doubling now at yearly rates
   and it keeps getting faster
- Facility costs just keep increasing and we are on the edge of our capability to build them in time ...and more and more keep coming.
- No one can lab test their software to scale. Are we deploying land minds?
- Our models of testing are based on our knowledge of past failures so what happens when the unexpected disaster occurs: the Katrina of networks.
- Peering does not bring in any revenue
- We are not going to solve our problems with better metrics
- Chip industry requires generational improvements every 7 years, but telecom is so big, we have no idea how to do this?
- o Annual 5-15% business case improvements will not cut it anymore
- "My god, the train is in the tunnel" is not an effective business case.







#### The broad view

People, Presence, Location, Group
Plethora of Active Devices
Globally linked networks
Grids
Augmented Web
Supplier Ecosystems

It's no longer about hardware.

Now it's about all the software

"One great big ball of software" ™

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## What runs the show?

Viewpoints on network design & control intelligence

External → Pragmatic → Internal → Emergence

Clockwork

 $\downarrow$ 

Efficiency Systems



Control Systems



Life-like

- External: Create a perfect network design run by a perfect, responsive operator
- Pragmatic: Create good processes and clean data that describe network & customers
- Internal: Embed policy controlling reactions inside the devices and management services
- Emergent: Stable behavior arising from the interactions of services and agents



### Nature as the model

#### Biology as a source of inspiration →

- Best practice today = NGOSS
  - Integrated
  - Framework Architecture.
  - But our networks are not nicely ordered
  - Heterogeneity, dynamism and unpredictability are problems

- Nature presents much the same view day after day.
  - Nature is messy but attractive
  - This high-level constancy, in the midst of constant low-level changes
  - The result of evolution over eons, bit of a sticky wicket



## • • Why care now?

#### Major unacceptable risk:

Global network destabilization

Uncertain future for traditional networks

#### **Direction for Success:**

Autonomic Communications is essential to...

#### **Thrive**

Be profitable

Grow revenues, profits, & wealth faster with less effort

Autonomic Communications



## • • • Autonomic Communication

Merging NGOSS and Biological inspiration →

- Evolution towards functional adaptability, extensibility and resilience.
- Many peer units receiving stimuli and responding with controlled reactions
- Exhibit Self-\* (self-star) properties:
   systems are self-organizing and self-managing.
- Structurally self similar





### Compelling Self-\* Principles

Think, if you did only this, what possibilities →

- Self-configuration
- Self optimization
- Self-healing
  - self-monitoring
  - self-diagnostics
  - self-restoration

Technology exists

Can be built with today's knowledge and skills

Needs the will to act



## Achievable Vision will make you more efficient and open massive new markets

Hardware & Software which:

senses need,

deploys itself,

creates its own network QoS connections,

manages its operational quality,

re-deploying as necessary for efficiency and cleans up when done.

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### The Grail



- o Discovery
- Self-similarity
- Self-protection
- o Situational Awareness
- Self-defining





Vendors must agree

Universities and Consortium at work



### Ten step program

- 1. No fear
- 2. No limitations
- 3. Start with a Vision
- Gather Informed,
   Collaborative Teams
- Leverage the Discontented

- 6. Reorganize
- 7. Leverage Processes
- 8. Start with NGOSS & Service Delivery Frameworks
- Create Self-\* Systems
- 10. Demand Smart Devices



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## Extra material





## Complex Adaptive Systems Biology as a source of inspiration?

- Ecosystems have no team with the job of network designer creating the pretty schematic...
- o To design purposeful, complex systems:
  - (1) Design stimuli, responses, and controls;
  - (2) Deploy & watch how these affect the complex system; and then
  - (3) Reproduce & disseminate the patterns which work.



## • • Agents & Stigmergy

- A method of indirect communication in a selforganizing emergent system where its individual parts communicate with one another by modifying their local environment.
- Active = intelligent "agent" alters its environment so as to affect the sensory input of another agent
- Passive = an agent's action alters its environment such that the environmental changes made by a different agent are also modified.



### • • Infrastructure

- Software Components
  - Service or Agent
  - Container
  - Registry
  - Launcher
  - Discovery
  - Monitor
- Controls & Behavior
  - Models
  - Patterns
  - Policy

- Platforms
  - Ubiquitous Networks
  - Grids
  - Cloud computing
  - Self-assembling sensor networks
  - Pervasive Computing
  - Meshed social networks



## • • Where to participate

- Autonomic Communication Forum (<u>ACForum</u>)
- BIONETS (BIOlogically inspired NETwork and Services)
- Open Grid Forum / Global Grid Forum
- The Task Force on Autonomous and Autonomic Systems (<u>TFAAS</u>)
- Autonomic Network Architecture (ANA)
- CASCADAS: (Component-ware for Autonomic Situation-aware Communications, and Dynamically Adaptable Services)
- Serenity
- HAGGLE An innovative Paradigm for Autonomic Opportunistic Communication