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Speeds in Data Centers

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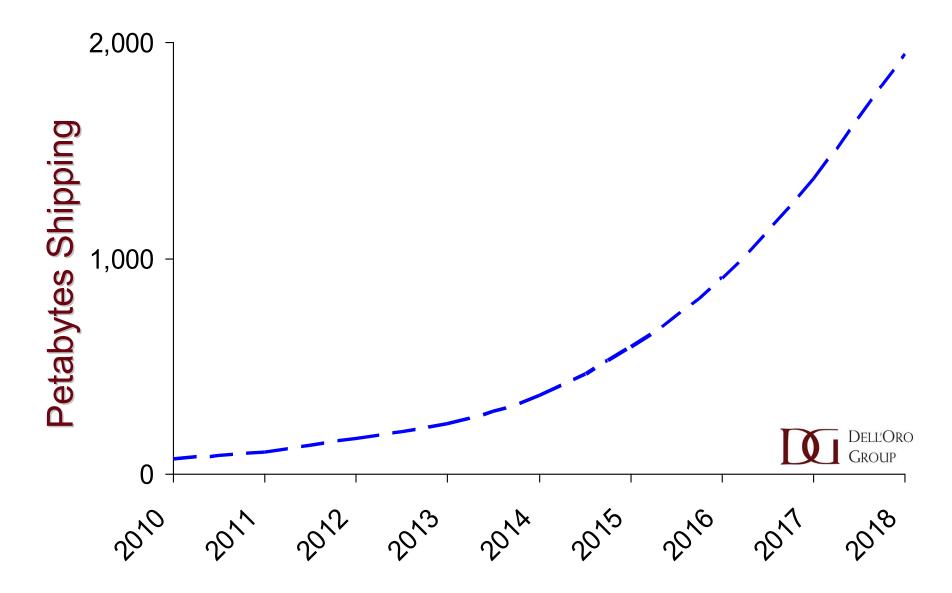


Introduction

- Increasing amount of speeds and form factors needed to support the data center
 - Cloud vs. Enterprise vs. SMB
 - Rack vs. Blade vs. High-density servers
 - North/South vs. East/West traffic
 - Vendor offerings vs. White Box
- Enterprise market for networking and servers will stop growing after 2015
- It's no longer simply about speeds and feeds



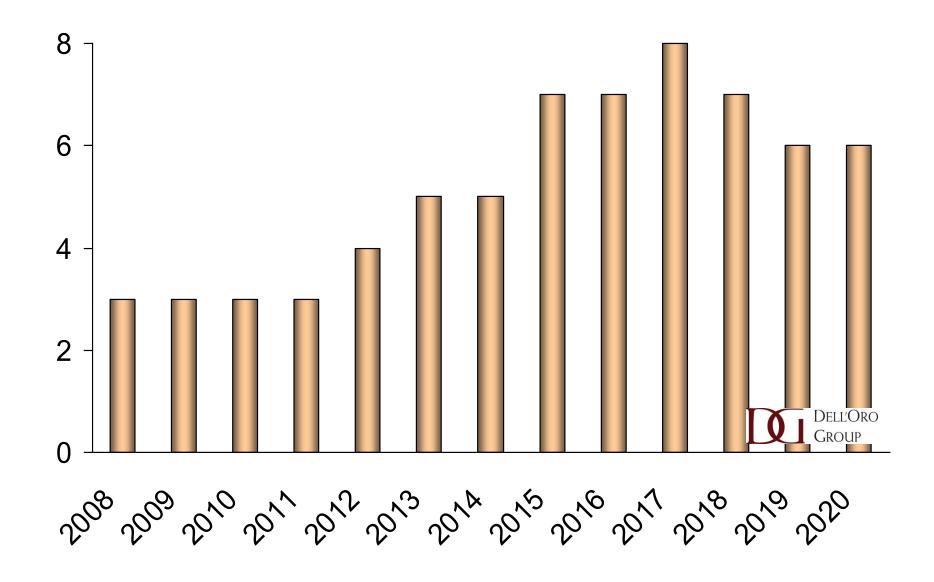
Ethernet Switch - Data Center Bandwitdh





Number of Different Port Speeds Shipping in the Data Center

Number of Port Speeds



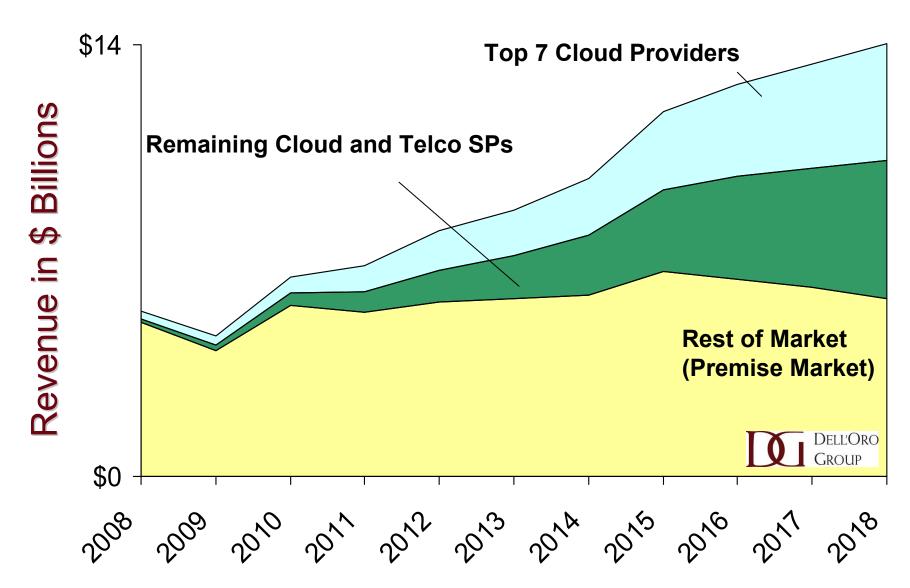


Cloud vs. Enterprise vs. SMB

- Big Data is now the number one application in the enterprise
- Enterprise and SMB solutions are becoming more converged systems instead of stand-alone equipment
- Cloud and Enterprises are upgrading to higher speeds for server access at different rates

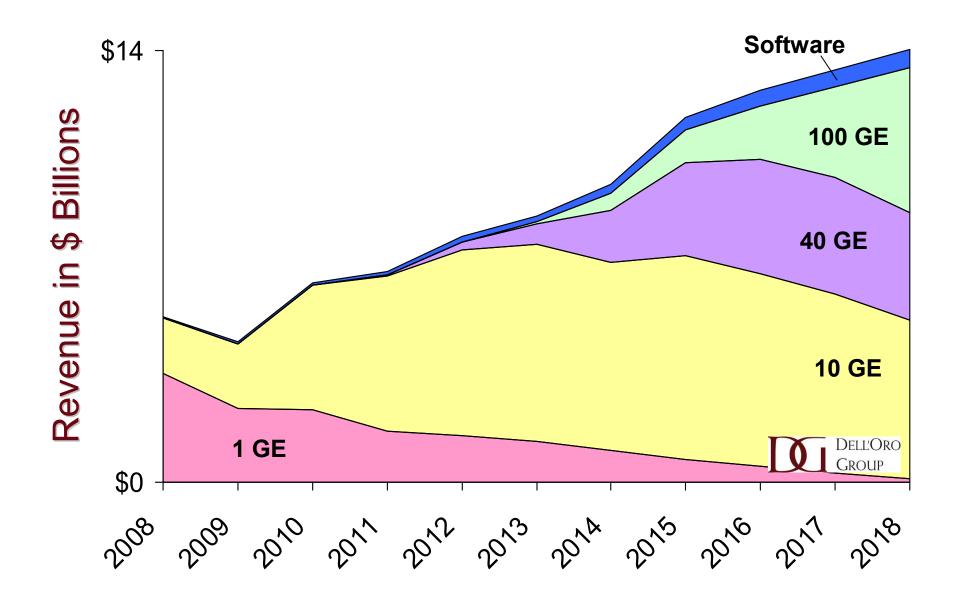


Ethernet Switch - Data Center Revenue





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Ethernet Switch Architecture Transformation Top-of-Rack Switch

2008

2011

2014

Operating System

Cisco, Foundry, Force10

Silicon

Cisco, Foundry, Force10

Switch

Cisco, Foundry, Force10

Operating System

Cisco, Arista, Dell

Silicon

Cisco, Broadcom, Intel

Switch

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Operating System

Cisco, BigSwitch, Cumulus

Silicon

Cisco, Broadcom, Intel

Network Processor Cavium, Broadcom, Intel

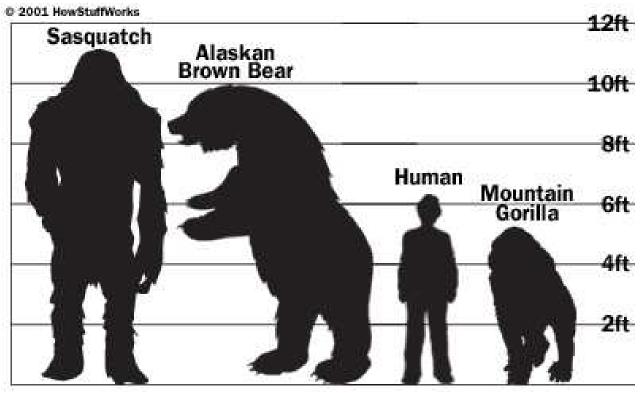
Switch

Cisco, Accton, Quanta





There is something bigger than an 800lb gorilla driving data center networking







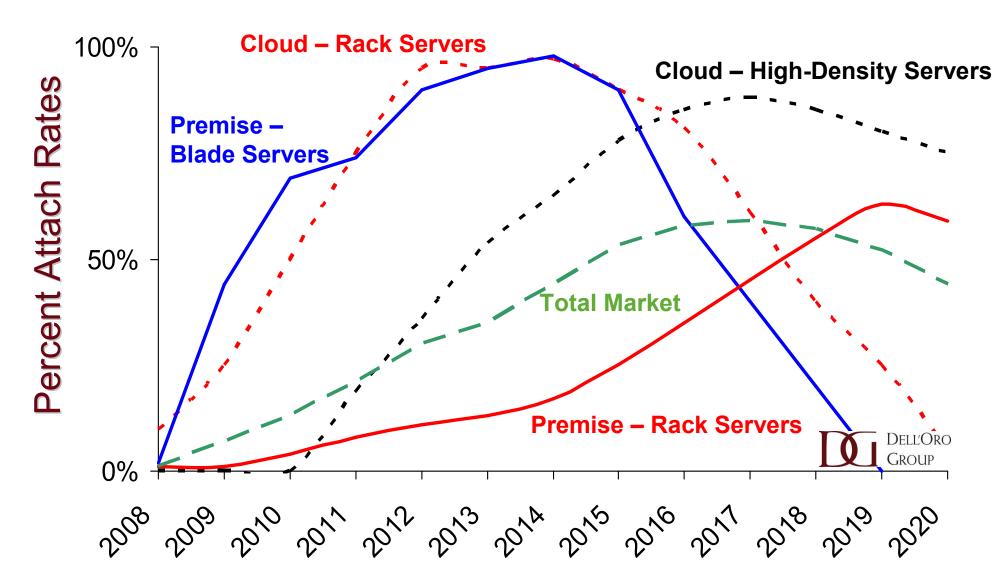


Rack vs. Blade vs. High-density servers

- Blade server growth is slowing
- Early stage of High-density servers
- Workload optimized servers are becoming commonplace
- Each class of server is migrating to higher speeds for server access at a different rate

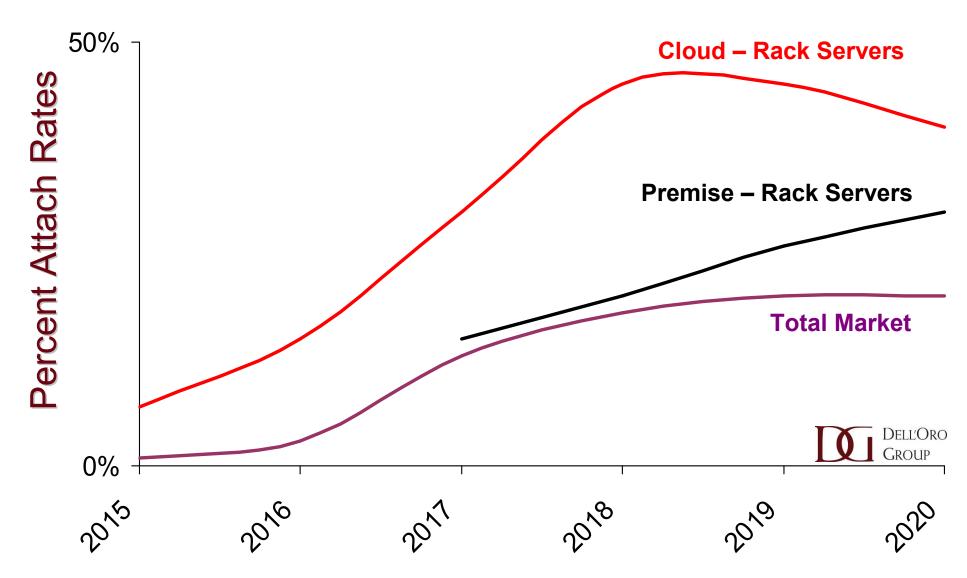


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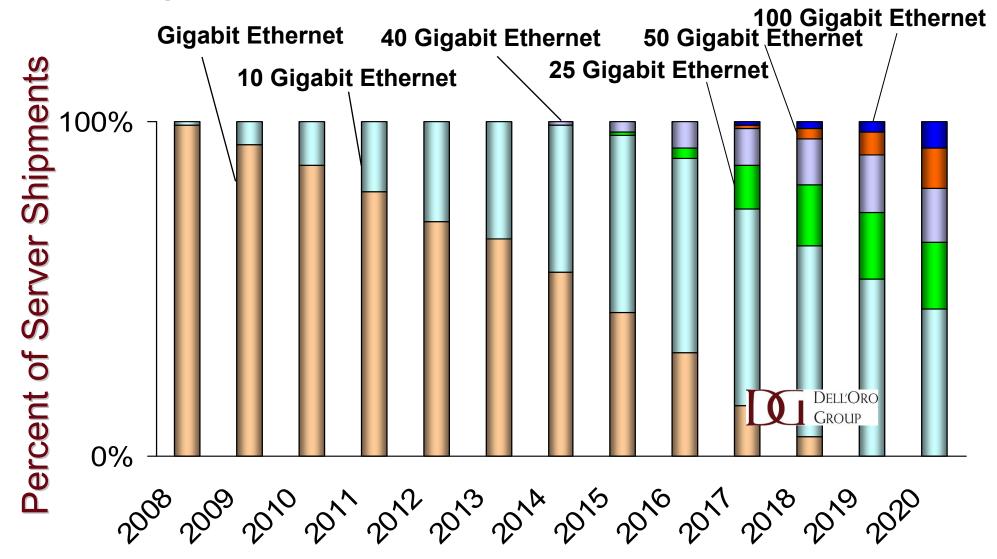


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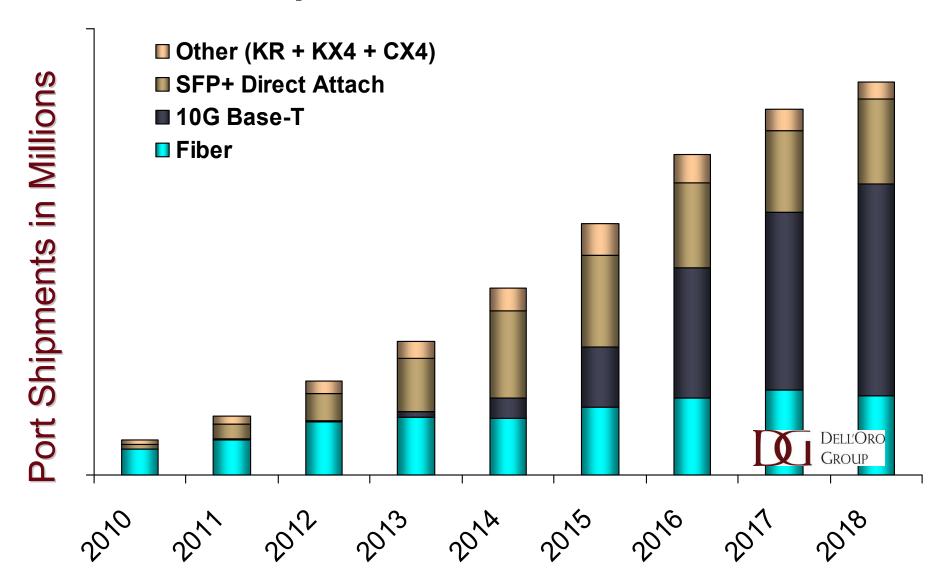


Speed Migration on Servers — Total Market





10 GE Port Shipments





Vendor Positioning (with White Box) Fixed 10 GE Purpose Built Port Shipments

Port Shipments in Millions Cisco **Rest of Market White Box** Dell'Oro



Conclusion

- Enterprises will be 1-2 speed cycles behind the Cloud
 - Rate of disparity is increasing with time
- Market is shifting from one that is Enterprise based to One that is Cloud based
- Data Center vendors must innovate or die





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Thank You

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