

Optimize Your IT System Operation with NEC MasterScope Product Suite - Introduction to Fault Monitoring -

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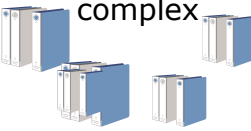


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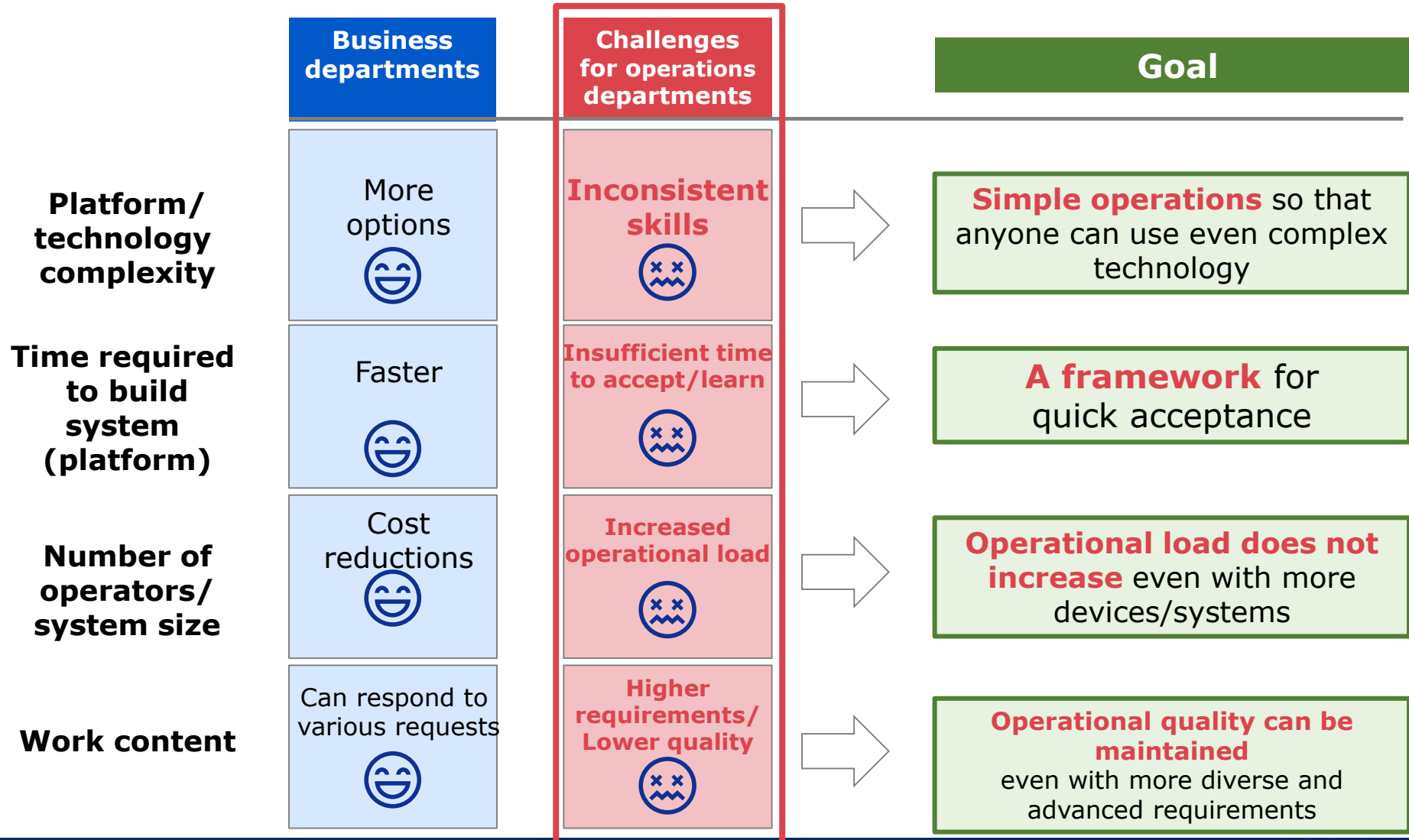
1. Operational challenges brought about by changing systems

System changes and the operational challenges they bring

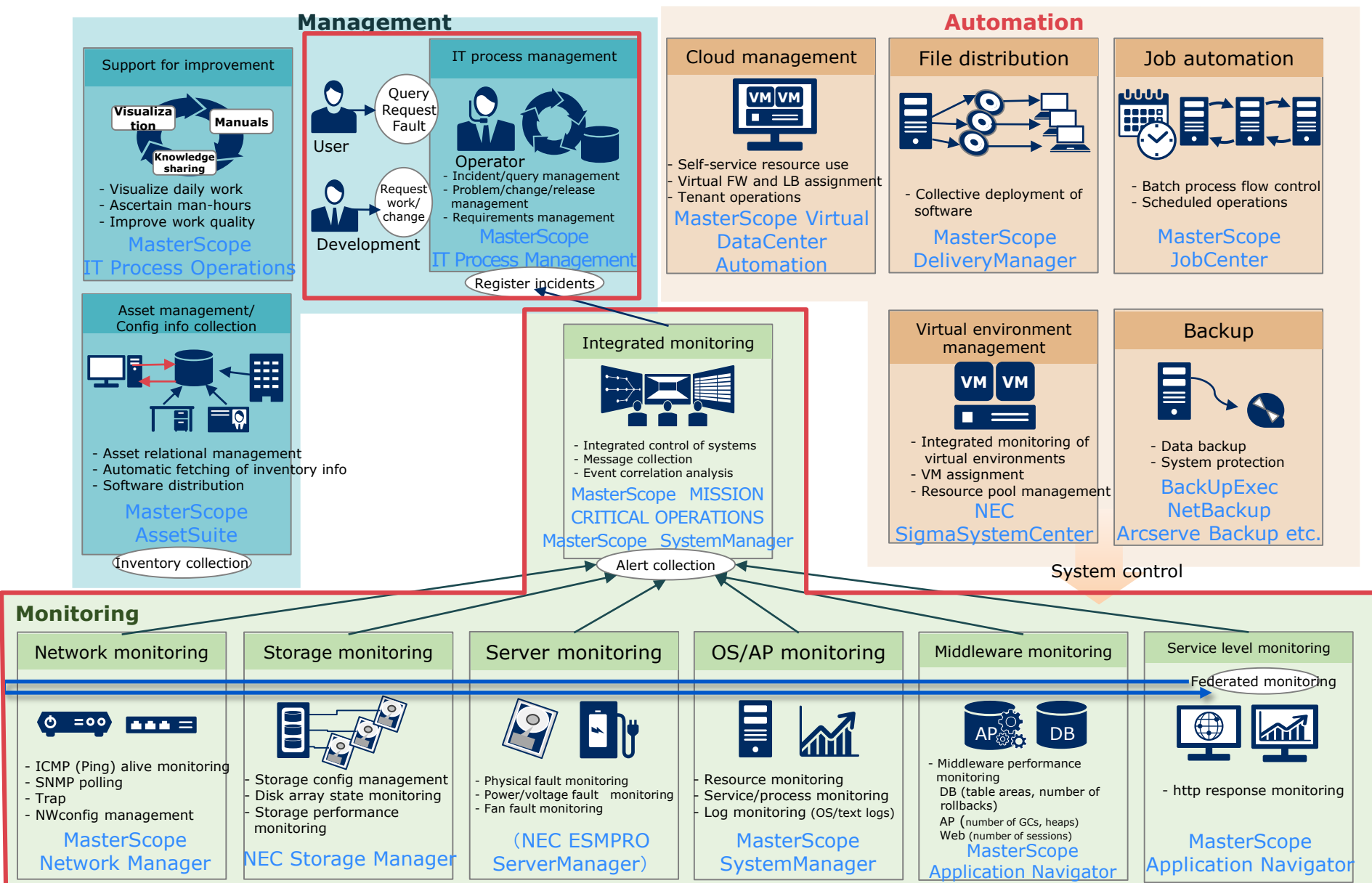
	Changes				Benefits for business departments	Challenges for operations departments
Platform/technology complexity	<p>Main frame</p> <p>Single vendor</p>	<p>Physical servers</p> <p>Unix Windows Linux</p>	<p>Virtualization</p> <p>VMware Hyper-V</p>	<p>Cloud</p> <p>AWS Azure NECCI etc.</p>	<p>More options</p> 	<p>Dependent on worker skills</p> 
Time required to build system (platform)	<p>Years   Days </p>				<p>Faster</p> 	<p>Insufficient time to accept/learn</p> 
Number of operators/system size	<p>      </p>				<p>Cost reductions</p> 	<p>Increased operational load</p> 
Work content	<p>Limited and simple  Varied and complex </p>				<p>Can respond to various requests</p> 	<p>Higher requirements/Lower quality</p> 

Goals of operations departments

A framework enabling continuous improvement is crucial for high-speed, high-quality, and efficient business operations.



Operational management solution map made possible with MasterScope



2. System fault monitoring basics

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- Types of fault monitoring
- Case study for troubleshooting
- Implementation of system fault monitoring

What is system fault monitoring?

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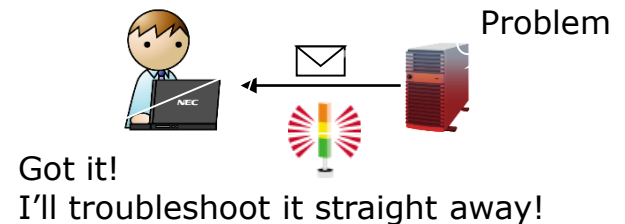
An issue that causes the services provided by IT systems to be suspended, thus making the services unavailable to users.



What is system fault monitoring?

A monitoring process whereby a monitoring tool detects the suspension of services and notifies the administrator of the issue using a pre-determined method.

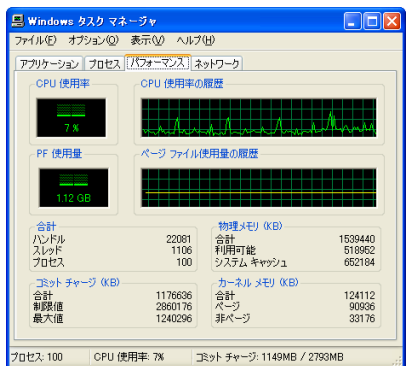
Monitoring tools provide a suite of functions to enable this process.



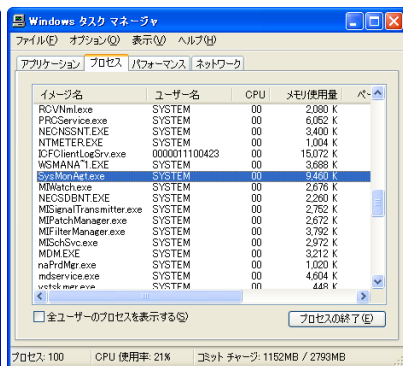
What is involved in manual fault monitoring?

There are many steps involved in motoring faults manually and a lot of information has to be checked, which takes a long time and slows down fault detection.

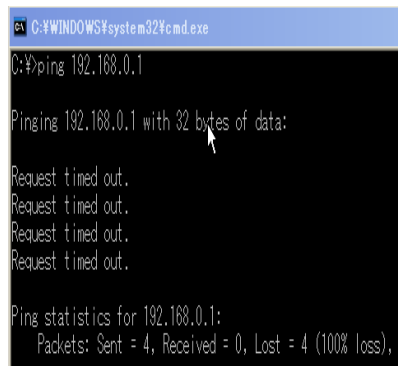
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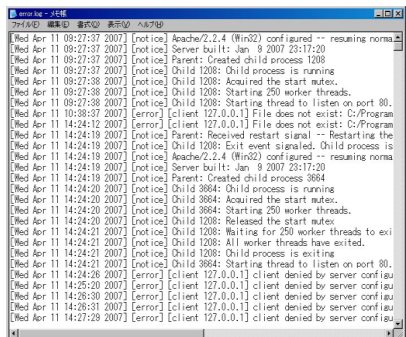
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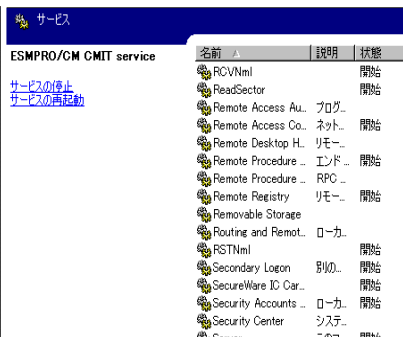
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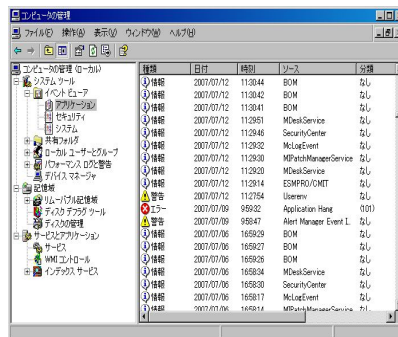
Check application logs



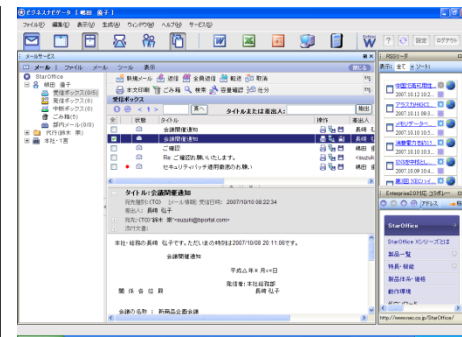
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Check event logs



Run and check each application

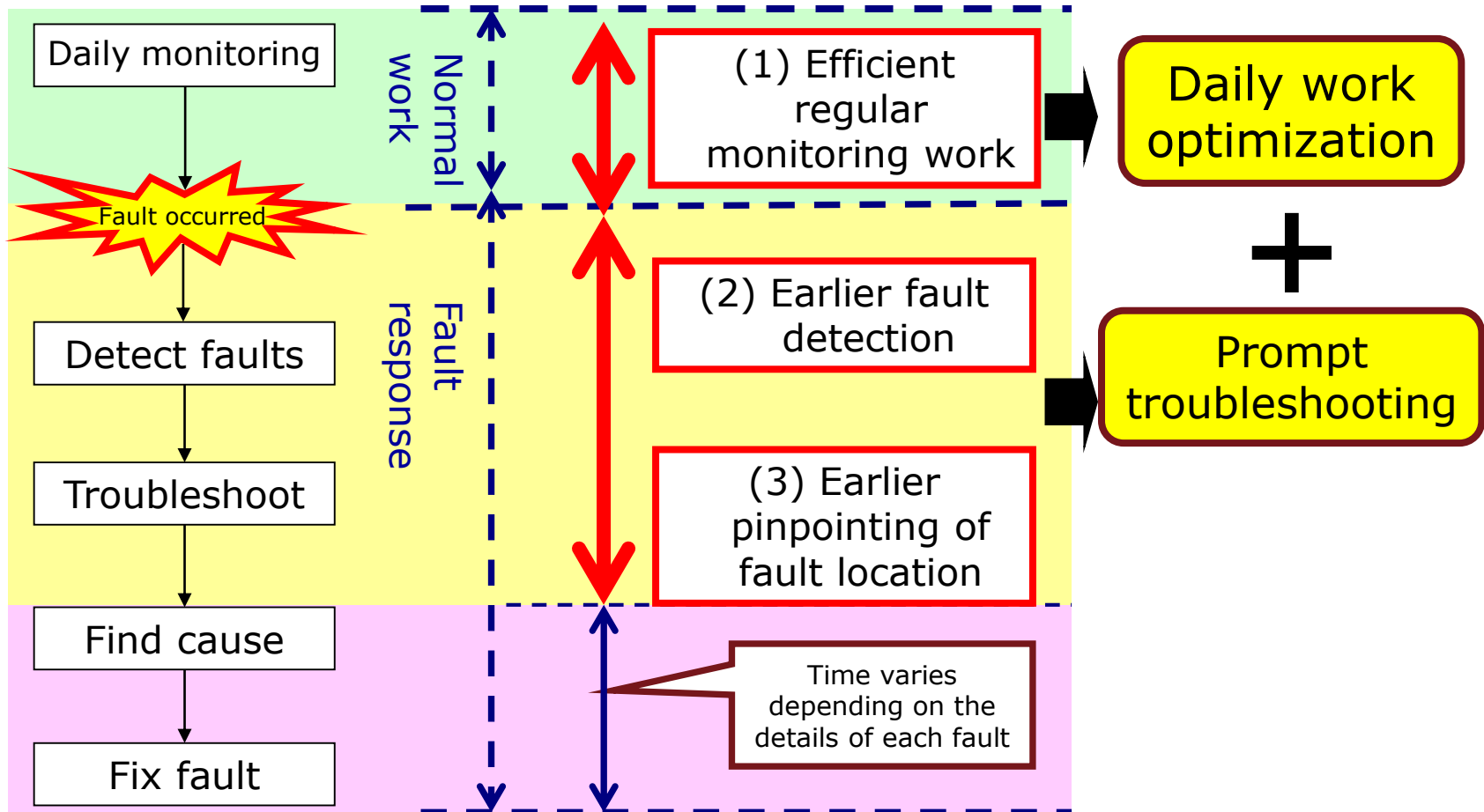


Benefits of using fault monitoring tools

Fault monitoring tools streamline daily monitoring work and enable immediate fault detection and troubleshooting.

General flow

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Fault monitoring types and system monitoring levels

Fault monitoring suited to the features of each system is required to raise the system monitoring level.

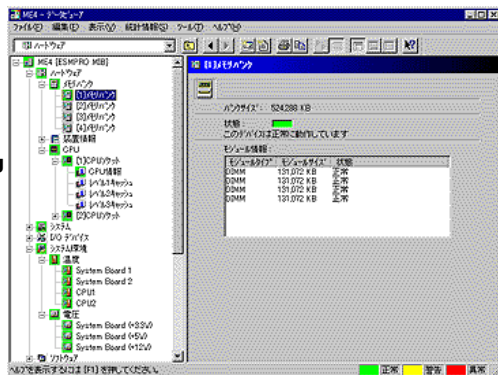
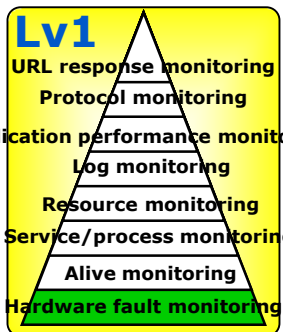
Monitoring layer	Monitoring level and details	Examples of monitoring	Applicable MasterScope product
Service	Monitoring level 3 - Service response monitoring - App-specific performance monitoring - Middleware performance monitoring	- Monitoring of Web page response time - Monitoring of Oracle table area thresholds	MasterScope Application Navigator
App/middle			
OS	Monitoring level 2 - Application log monitoring - OS system log monitoring - Service/process monitoring - Resource monitoring	- Monitoring of virtual platform (VMware vSphere) resources - Alive monitoring for Oracle/business application processes - Application log monitoring - OS resource (CPU, memory, etc.) monitoring	MasterScope SystemManager
Virtual platform			
Server	Monitoring level 1 - Device fault monitoring - Alive monitoring	- HDD fault monitoring - Temperature monitoring - RAID monitoring - Monitoring of controllers, etc.	Hardware monitoring by each vendor (linked with software)
Storage			
Network			

Overview of fault monitoring (1/5)

Monitoring layer

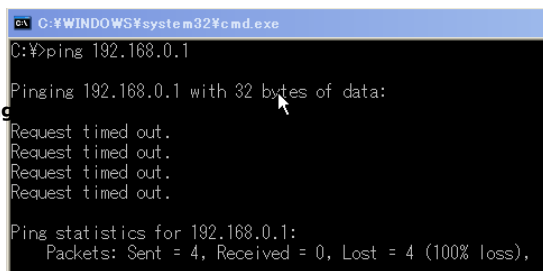
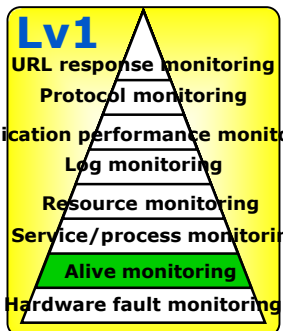
Image of monitoring

Description



Hardware faults (disk, fans, etc.) are monitored by tools provided by hardware vendors.

Express Servers are monitored by NEC ESMPRO/ServerManager and ServerAgentService.



Ping (ICMP) is used to confirm network communication between monitored servers and network devices.

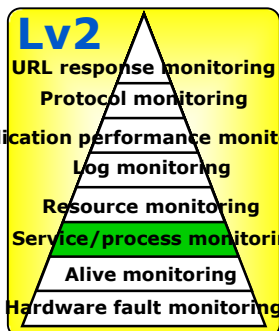
Overview of fault monitoring (2/5)

Monitoring layer

Image of monitoring

Description

Process monitoring



イメージ名	ユーザー名	CPU	メモリ使用量	ペ...
RCVNmI.exe	SYSTEM	00	2,080 K	
PRCSvc.exe	SYSTEM	00	6,052 K	
NECSSNT.EXE	SYSTEM	00	3,400 K	
NTMETER.EXE	SYSTEM	00	1,004 K	
IOFClietLogSrv.exe	0000011100423	00	15,072 K	
WSMANA11.EXE	SYSTEM	00	3,688 K	
SysMonArt.exe	SYSTEM	00	9,460 K	
MBWatch.exe	SYSTEM	00	2,676 K	
NECSSBNT.EXE	SYSTEM	00	2,260 K	
MISignalTransmitter.exe	SYSTEM	00	2,752 K	
MIPatchManager.exe	SYSTEM	00	2,672 K	
MIFilterManager.exe	SYSTEM	00	3,792 K	
MISchSvc.exe	SYSTEM	00	2,972 K	
MDM.EXE	SYSTEM	00	3,212 K	
naPrdMtr.exe	SYSTEM	00	1,020 K	
mdservice.exe	SYSTEM	00	4,604 K	
watch_mer.exe	SYSTEM	00	448 K	

All the program processes required for service provision are monitored. This monitoring is very important because a process going down could directly cause operations to stop.

Key point

Processes of applications that need to be always running are monitored.

Windows service monitoring

名前	説明	状態
RCVNmI		開始
ReadSector		開始
Remote Access Au...	プロダ...	
Remote Access Co...	ネット...	開始
Remote Desktop H...	リモー...	
Remote Procedure ...	エンド...	開始
Remote Procedure ...	RPC...	
Remote Registry	リモー...	開始
Removable Storage		
Routing and Remot...	ローカ...	
RSTNmI		開始
Secondary Logon	別の...	開始
SecureWare IC Car...		開始
Security Accounts ...	ローカ...	開始
Security Center	シスチ...	
Server	この...	開始

Statuses of services to be provided are monitored. This monitoring is very important because the stoppage of services could directly cause operations to stop.

Key point

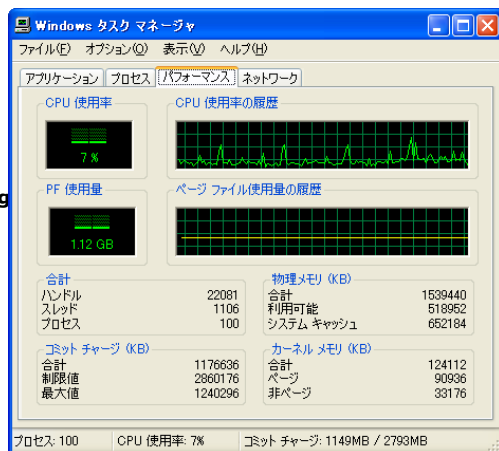
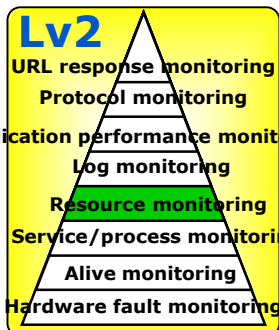
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Overview of fault monitoring (3/5)

Monitoring layer

Image of monitoring

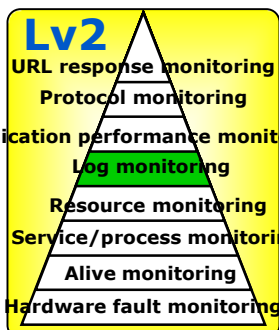
Description



Threshold values for CPU load and memory/disk free space are used for monitoring. Resource faults need to be monitored regularly because they may degrade performance and cause operations to stop.

Key point

The threshold may be exceeded for an instant, which should not be regarded as fault. Therefore monitoring should be configured so that a fault is determined only if the threshold is exceeded several times in a row.



Event logs

A screenshot of the Windows Event Viewer showing a list of event logs. The logs are filtered by source and type. The table below shows the details of the event logs.

名前	種類	日付	時刻	ソース	分類
システム	情報	2007/07/12	11:3044	BOM	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/12	11:3042	BOM	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/12	11:3041	BOM	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/12	11:2951	MDealService	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/12	11:2946	SecurityCenter	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/12	11:2932	McLogEvent	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/12	11:2930	MPatchManagerService	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/12	11:2920	MDealService	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/12	11:2914	ESMPRO/CMIT	なし
システム	警告	2007/07/12	11:2754	Userenv	なし
システム	エラー	2007/07/09	9:59:32	Application Hang	(01)
システム	警告	2007/07/09	9:58:47	Alert Manager Event L	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/06	16:59:29	BOM	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/06	16:59:27	BOM	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/06	16:59:26	BOM	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/06	16:59:34	MDealService	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/06	16:59:30	SecurityCenter	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/06	16:59:17	McLogEvent	なし
システム	情報	2007/07/06	16:59:14	MPatchManagerService	なし

Windows OS logs are used as event logs. Logs to be monitored can be filtered based on attributes such as the event type (error, warning, etc.), source name, and event ID.

Key point

- It is important to clarify which logs need to be monitored since various application logs are output as event logs.
- Note that if all the logs are monitored, operator workloads will increase due to the large number of messages.

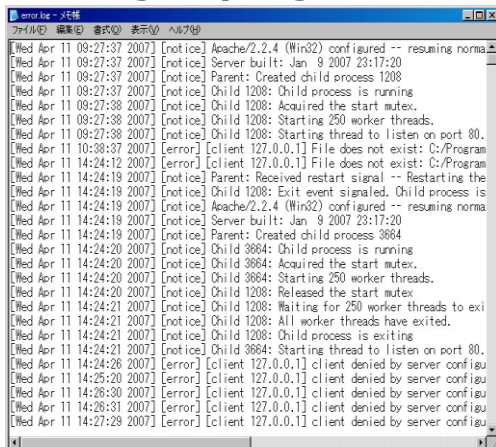
Overview of fault monitoring (4/5)

Monitoring layer

Image of monitoring

Description

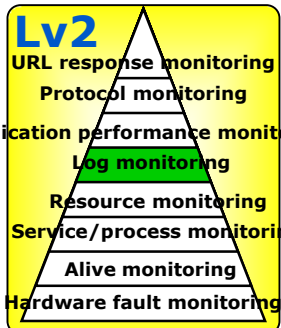
Text log / syslog



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errorlog - 実行様
ファイル名 編集 書式 表示 ヘルプ
[Wed Apr 11 09:27:37 2007] [notice] Apache/2.2.4 (Win32) configured -- resuming norma
[Wed Apr 11 09:27:37 2007] [notice] Server built: Jan 9 2007 23:17:20
[Wed Apr 11 09:27:37 2007] [notice] Parent: Created child process 1208
[Wed Apr 11 09:27:37 2007] [notice] Child 1208: Child process is running
[Wed Apr 11 09:27:38 2007] [notice] Child 1208: Acquired the start mutex.
[Wed Apr 11 09:27:38 2007] [notice] Child 1208: Starting 250 worker threads.
[Wed Apr 11 09:27:38 2007] [notice] Child 1208: Starting thread to listen on port 80.
[Wed Apr 11 10:38:37 2007] [error] [client 127.0.0.1] File does not exist: C:/Program
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:12 2007] [error] [client 127.0.0.1] File does not exist: C:/Program
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:19 2007] [notice] Parent: Received restart signal -- Restarting the
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:19 2007] [notice] Child 1208: Exit event signaled. Child process is
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:19 2007] [notice] Apache/2.2.4 (Win32) configured -- resuming norma
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[Wed Apr 11 14:24:20 2007] [notice] Child 3664: Child process is running
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:20 2007] [notice] Child 3664: Acquired the start mutex.
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:20 2007] [notice] Child 3664: Starting 250 worker threads.
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:20 2007] [notice] Child 1208: Released the start mutex.
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:21 2007] [notice] Child 1208: Waiting for 250 worker threads to exit
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:21 2007] [notice] Child 1208: All worker threads have exited.
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:21 2007] [notice] Child 1208: Child process is exiting
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:21 2007] [notice] Child 3664: Starting thread to listen on port 80.
[Wed Apr 11 14:24:26 2007] [error] [client 127.0.0.1] client denied by server configu
[Wed Apr 11 14:25:20 2007] [error] [client 127.0.0.1] client denied by server configu
[Wed Apr 11 14:28:30 2007] [error] [client 127.0.0.1] client denied by server configu
[Wed Apr 11 14:28:31 2007] [error] [client 127.0.0.1] client denied by server configu
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Logs can be viewed in text format.
Log contents matching keywords are monitored.

Key point
For monitoring using keyword matching, it is important to clarify the keywords to be monitored.



Example of Oracle performance screen

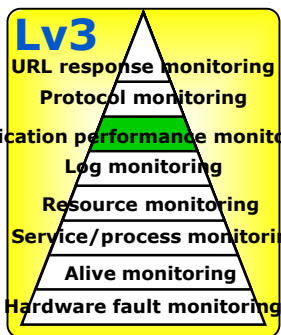


インスタンス名	タイプ	プラットフォーム	ステータス	セッション数	メモリ使用量	その他	
EXAMPLE	PERMANENT	LOCAL	AUTO	ONLINE	110,000	51,610	65.6
SYSDATABASE	PERMANENT	LOCAL	AUTO	ONLINE	440,000	431,938	81.1
SYSTEM	PERMANENT	LOCAL	MARGINAL	ONLINE	400,000	440,120	85.0
TEMP	TEMPORARY	LOCAL	MARGINAL	ONLINE	40,000	40,000	10.0
SYSDATABASE2	TEMP	LOCAL	MARGINAL	ONLINE	30,000	14,000	21.1
SYSTEM2	PERMANENT	LOCAL	AUTO	ONLINE	37,500	36,311	82.0

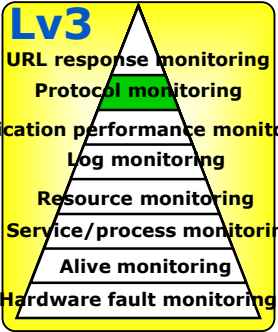
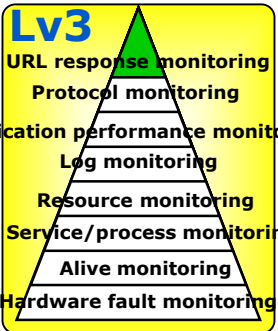
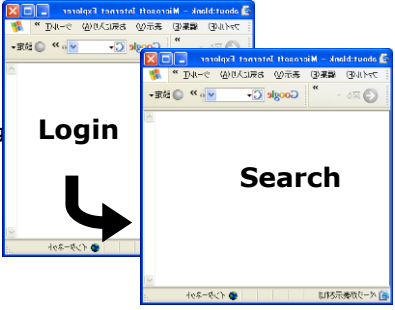
For database servers, the instance startup status, table area free space, number of sessions, and other DB-specific performance items are monitored based on threshold values.

For application servers, the heap memory capacity, number of garbage collections, and other performance items are monitored based on threshold values.

Key point
Monitoring must be configured per each application because performance items to be monitored vary.



Overview of fault monitoring (5/5)

Monitoring layer	Image of monitoring	Description								
 <p>Lv3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> URL response monitoring Protocol monitoring Application performance monitoring Log monitoring Resource monitoring Service/process monitoring Alive monitoring Hardware fault monitoring 	<p>Example of monitoring</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="392 511 942 668"> <tr> <td>Http/Https</td> <td>Check connectivity via http</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Email</td> <td>Check SMTP/POP requests</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FTP</td> <td>Get files from FTP servers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Port</td> <td>Check port connectivity</td> </tr> </table>	Http/Https	Check connectivity via http	Email	Check SMTP/POP requests	FTP	Get files from FTP servers	Port	Check port connectivity	<p>Check whether services are available using specific protocols.</p> <p>Key point Service level availability can be confirmed but additional monitoring methods are needed to find root causes.</p>
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 <p>Lv3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> URL response monitoring Protocol monitoring Application performance monitoring Log monitoring Resource monitoring Service/process monitoring Alive monitoring Hardware fault monitoring 	 <p>How many seconds?</p>	<p>Response times of Web systems are monitored based on threshold values. Response can be measured from an end user perspective.</p> <p>Key point Response varies depending on the location of the monitoring server. Equivalent conditions should be applied to monitoring servers to measure response from an end user perspective.</p>								

Fault detection methods generally used for systems

Monitoring	Outline	Manual procedure	MasterScope product
Alive monitoring	PING (ICMP) polling	Check by running a Ping command	MasterScope Network Manager
Monitoring via SNMP	Trap reception and MIB polling via SNMP	-	
Protocol monitoring	Monitor the response of specific protocols (http, SMTP, FTP, etc.)	Use an actual service to check response (e.g. send an email)	MasterScope Application Navigator
Service level monitoring (URL response monitoring)	Monitor the response speed in a process flow of a specific Web application	Use an actual service to check response (e.g. log in to a Web application and run a test process)	
Application performance	Monitor API performance thresholds of specific middleware (App server heap area, DB table space, etc.)	Run the management tool or special commands of the middleware	
Service alive	Monitor start/stop of Windows services	Use OS management tools	MasterScope SystemManager
Process alive	Monitor the number of processes using a threshold	Use Task Manager and PS commands	
Resources	Monitor the CPU, disk, and memory based on thresholds	For UNIX systems, use the Top command, etc. For Windows systems, use Task Manager, etc.	
Logs	Monitor event logs, syslogs, and text logs based on specific keywords	Use Event Viewer or open a log file	
Hardware monitoring	Monitor hardware-specific faults on servers and storage devices	Check indicators of servers onsite	Various hardware vendor tools (for Express Server : NEC ESMPRO/ServerManager and ServerAgentService)

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What should we do if a system fault occurs?

When a system fault occurs, first we need to detect it, and then troubleshoot to find the location.

■ Example of initial troubleshooting

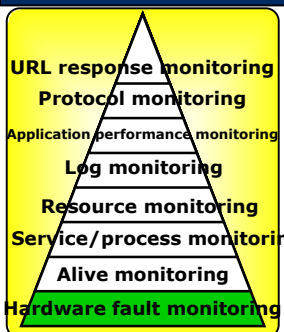

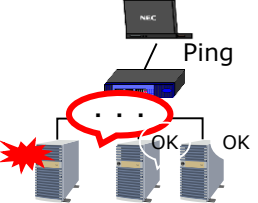
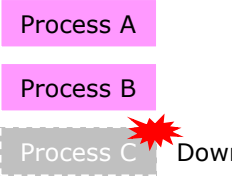
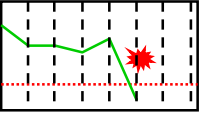

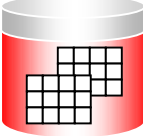


- ❑ Which system (IT service) is not available?
 - ❑ Is the network available? How far is it available?
 - ❑ Is there a problem with the hardware?
 - ❑ Is the resource status normal?
 - ❑ Is any service or process stopped (application abend)?
 - ❑ Is any fault indicated in the logs?
 - ❑ Is there a problem with the DB or middleware performance?
- etc.

 Based on this information, find out which layer (hardware, OS, network, middleware, or application) has a problem, find the root cause, and analyze the problem in detail.

Five fault detection and troubleshooting case studies are described on the following pages.

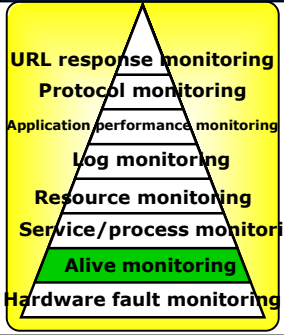

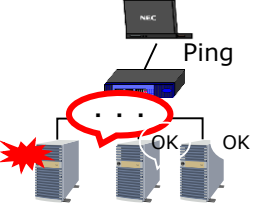
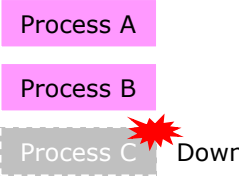
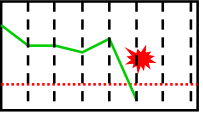



Case 1. Hardware fault monitoring

If only the server monitoring tool bundled with the hardware is used, generally only hardware faults can be detected.

Monitoring level	Fault details					
	<p>Disk fault (Hardware fault)</p> 	<p>Network disconnection</p> 	<p>Process down (Service down)</p> <p>Process A</p> <p>Process B</p> <p>Process C Down</p> 	<p>Resource fault</p> 	<p>Error log</p>  <p>Log file</p>	<p>Application performance (e.g. database)</p> 
<p>Detection/ Troubleshooting</p>		<p>-</p>	<p>-</p>		<p>-</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>Key points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Easy to get started. (Generally, the monitoring software bundled with the hardware can be used.) √/- Generally, only hardware faults can be detected. √/- Different monitoring tools need to be used if servers are provided by multiple vendors, which could delay initial response and increase operator workloads. <p>-> An integrated monitoring tool is needed for central monitoring.</p>					

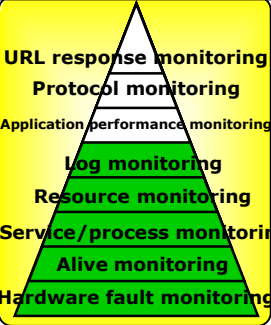

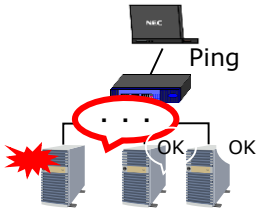
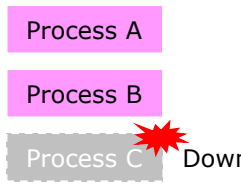
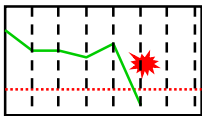
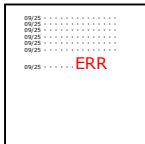
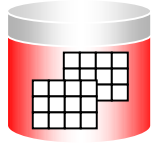





Case 2. Alive monitoring by ping

Alive monitoring by means of ping can only monitor network connectivity.

Monitoring level	Fault details					
	<p>Disk fault (Hardware fault)</p> 	<p>Network disconnection</p> 	<p>Process down (Service down)</p> <p>Process A</p> <p>Process B</p> <p>Process C Down</p> 	<p>Resource fault</p> 	<p>Error log</p>  <p>Log file</p>	<p>Application performance (e.g. database)</p> 
<p>Detection/ Troubleshooting</p>	<p>-</p>		<p>-</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>Key points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Easy to get started. (Monitoring is possible if ping is successful. No agent is required.) ✓ No dependency on hardware and OS. ✓/- Only network connectivity can be monitored. 					

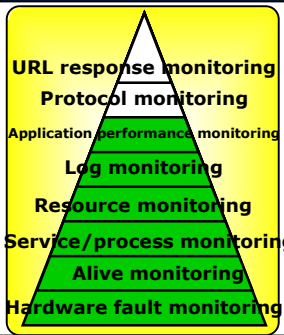

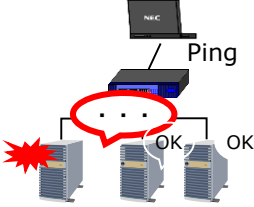
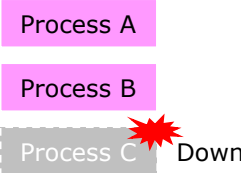
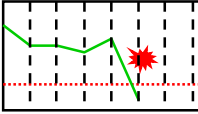








Case 3. Including server monitoring

Faults of applications running on servers can also be monitored. This configuration is normally used for system fault monitoring.

Monitoring level	Fault details					
	<p>Disk fault (Hardware fault)</p> 	<p>Network disconnection</p> 	<p>Process down (Service down)</p> <p>Process A</p> <p>Process B</p> <p>Process C Down</p> 	<p>Resource fault</p> 	<p>Error log</p>  <p>Log file</p>	<p>Application performance (e.g. database)</p> 
<p>Detection/ Troubleshooting</p>						<p>-</p>
<p>Key points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Faults of applications running on servers can also be monitored. ✓ Can monitor hardware faults and other faults in a central manner by linking with various hardware monitoring tools. √/- Middleware details such as Oracle table area capacity cannot be monitored. 					

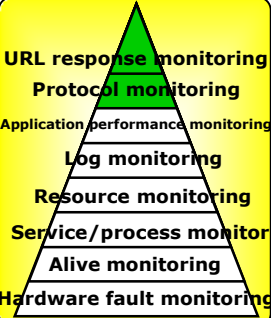

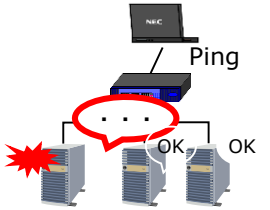
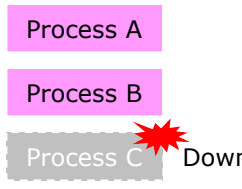
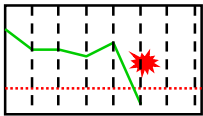
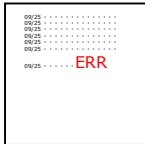

Case 4. Including application (middleware) performance monitoring

This configuration is normally used for advanced monitoring including monitoring of middleware performance (databases, application servers, and Web servers).

Monitoring level	Fault details					
	<p>Disk fault (Hardware fault)</p> 	<p>Network disconnection</p> 	<p>Process down (Service down)</p> <p>Process A</p> <p>Process B</p> <p>Process C Down</p> 	<p>Resource fault</p> 	<p>Error log</p>  <p>Log file</p>	<p>Application performance (e.g. database)</p> 
<p>Detection/ Troubleshooting</p>						
<p>Key points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Application (middleware) performance can also be monitored. ✓ More detailed troubleshooting is possible compared with server monitoring. 					

Case 5. Service level monitoring

The entire system is monitored in a cross functional manner to monitor operational status and response from a user perspective.

Monitoring level	Fault details					
	<p>Disk fault (Hardware fault)</p> 	<p>Network disconnection</p> 	<p>Process down (Service down)</p> <p>Process A</p> <p>Process B</p> <p>Process C Down</p> 	<p>Resource fault</p> 	<p>Error log</p>  <p>Log file</p>	<p>Application performance (e.g. database)</p> 
<p>Detection/ Troubleshooting</p>	<h2>Service level fault detection is possible</h2>					
<p>Notes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Monitoring is possible without installing an agent on the server. √/- System faults and slow responses can be detected but troubleshooting is difficult. √/- Not all systems can be monitored (systems that do not support relevant protocols cannot be monitored). 					

2. System fault monitoring basics

- Necessity of system fault monitoring
- Types of fault monitoring
- Case study for troubleshooting
- **Implementing system fault monitoring**

Considerations before implementing system fault monitoring

◆ The following points need to be considered before implementing system fault monitoring

(1) Identify the systems to be monitored

Understand the customer's system configuration and identify systems that need to be monitored.

- Number of servers
- Appliance servers
- Storage
- Number of network devices

(2) Identify what will be monitored

Identify what needs to be monitored in each system.

- Alive monitoring
- Log monitoring
- Process monitoring
- Service level monitoring, etc.

(3) Check notification methods/recipients

Clarify who is notified of fault detections and how they are notified.

- Email notification
- Warning indicator
- Console, etc.
- Who should be notified?

(4) Understand the operation schedule

Organize the operational schedule in a timetable format.

- Monitoring time
- Restart
- Specific processing

(5) Check other requirements

Check any customer specific requirements.

(1) Identify the systems to be monitored

Check the quantities and types of servers, network devices, and storage devices to be monitored.

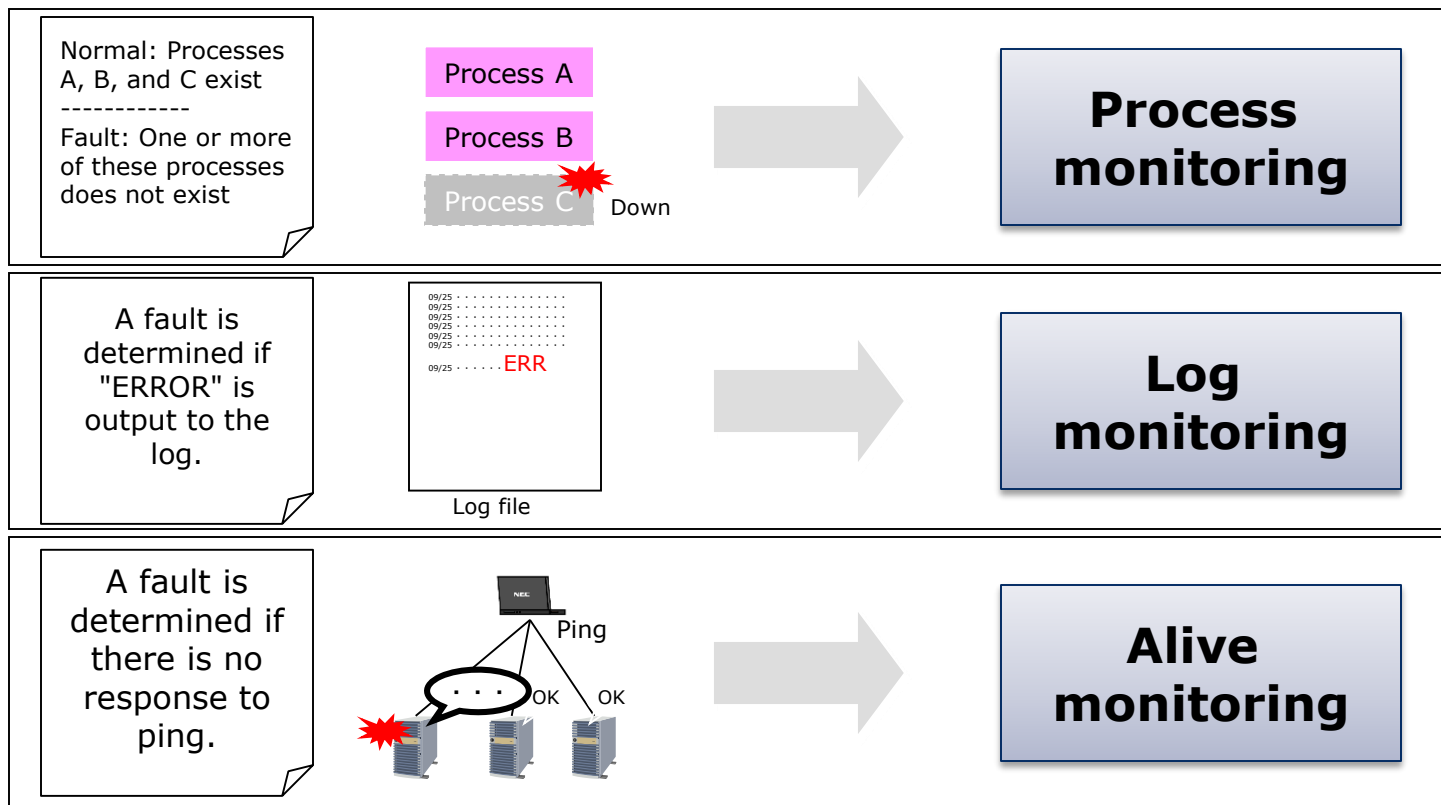
System name	Host name	Model	OS	...
DB	SV1	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	
Email	SV2	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	
Report	SV3	Express5800/110Ri-2	Windows 2012 R2	
Batch	SV4	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	
EDI	SV5	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	
ERP	SV6	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	
Operational management	SV7	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	
Other	SV8	Express5800/1**	Windows 2008 R2	
Other	SV9	Express5800/1**	Windows 2008 R2	
Other	SV10	Express5800/1**	Windows 2008 R2	

(2) Identify what should be monitored (1/2)

It is important to define what is the "normal" state and what phenomena are regarded as faults for each system (server).

Example of judging normal/fault states

Monitored items



(2) Identify what should be monitored (2/2)











Organize current and future monitoring targets for each system.

System name	Model	OS	Ping alive	Service monitoring	Process monitoring	Resource monitoring	Event log Syslog monitoring	Other (currently performed)
Current method			Tool	Not performed	Not performed	Checked on monitor	Checked on monitor	
DB	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	●	◎	—	◎	◎	
Email	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	●	◎	—	◎	◎	Check by sending email
Report	Express5800/110Ri-2	Windows 2012 R2	●	◎	◎	◎	◎	
EIP	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	●	◎	—	◎	◎	Connect and check each device
EDI	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	●	—	◎	◎	◎	
ERP	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	●	◎	—	◎	◎	Check the response speed
Operational management	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	●	◎	◎	◎	◎	
Other	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2008 R2						
Other	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2008 R2						
Other	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2008 R2						

◎: Should be monitored in the future, ●: Currently monitored,
 - : No need to be monitored, △: Should be improved or discontinued

(3) Check notification methods/recipients(1/2)

Consider who is notified and how to notify when a fault is detected.

Notification method	Notification scope	Awareness of notification	Considerations
Email	 Several users (including remote users)	 Emails may be checked later.	A mail server (SMTP) is required on the network.
Warning indicator	 Users near warning indicators	 Light and sound catches users' attention.	Check supported models. Command creation may be required.
Monitoring screen	 Only users viewing the monitoring screen	 Must check the screen all the time to detect a fault as it happens.	The screen must always be open.
Popup	 Users viewing the PC screen	 Must check the screen all the time.	May need to create a popup script.
Beep	 Users near the device that beeps	 Beeps are easy for users to hear.	Need to find where the beep is coming from (Admin terminal, server, etc.).

(3) Check notification methods/recipients (2/2)

■ Changing the notification method according to the severity

When a fault event is issued

- Send an email to Administrators A and B (PC and mobile).
- Sound the alarm.

When a warning event is issued

- Send an email only to Administrator B (PC only).

■ Changing the recipient according to who handles the system

System name	Model	OS	Recipient
DB	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	Administrator A
Email	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	Administrator B
Report	Express5800/110Ri-2	Windows 2012 R2	Administrator A
EIP	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2012 R2	Administrator A
EDI	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2008 R2	Administrator A
ERP	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2008 R2	Administrator A
Operational management	Express5800/120Rj-2	Windows 2008 R2	Administrator B

(4) Understand the operation schedule

Check the operation schedule to know when monitoring will stop due to system stoppage/restart.

Daily schedule

	Time restart	6:00	7	8	9	10	11	12:00	13	14	15	16	17	18:00	18	19	20	21	22	23	24:00	0	1	2	3	4	5		
DB	✓		- Check job execution results																				Job	Re					
Email	—		- Check backup results																										
Report	—		- Check application status																										
			- Check performance status																										
Job	—																												
EDI	✓																						Job	Re					
ERP	✓																						Job	Re					
Operation / management	—																												
Other	—																												
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Time when system is monitored manually
 Specific processing is executed
 System stop (restart) time

(5) Check other requirements

Identify current operational tasks and relevant issues, and consider whether they can be improved by using tools.

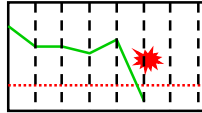
Example of operations

- If a specific log file had been updated, an error may have occurred, so check whether any files have been updated.
- If a new file was created, it means that a specific application was stopped, so check for any new files.
- Run specific commands to resolve faults that have occurred.
- Because the monitoring tools differ depending on the system, several monitoring screens need to be checked.

Key points for monitoring

Policies for stable system operations

Monitoring policy



Consideration 1

What is monitored and how? (Combination)

Detect system faults/ failure signs

- Service level monitoring
- Application performance monitoring
- Log monitoring
- Service/process monitoring
- Resource monitoring
- Network monitoring
- Hardware monitoring
- Storage monitoring etc.

Accumulated statistics

Performance history

Fault messages

Recognition/ notification of faults

- Send emails
- Patlite control
- Voice sound

etc.

Notification policy

Consideration 2

How does the user (administrator) receive the notification? (System for administrators)

Image of stable system operation

Identify the cause and extent of impact. Understand the operation status

- Location management (physical topology)
- Message management (categorization) etc.

Analysis/determination policy

Consideration 3
What happened? (Visualization)

System recovery

- Troubleshooting support etc.

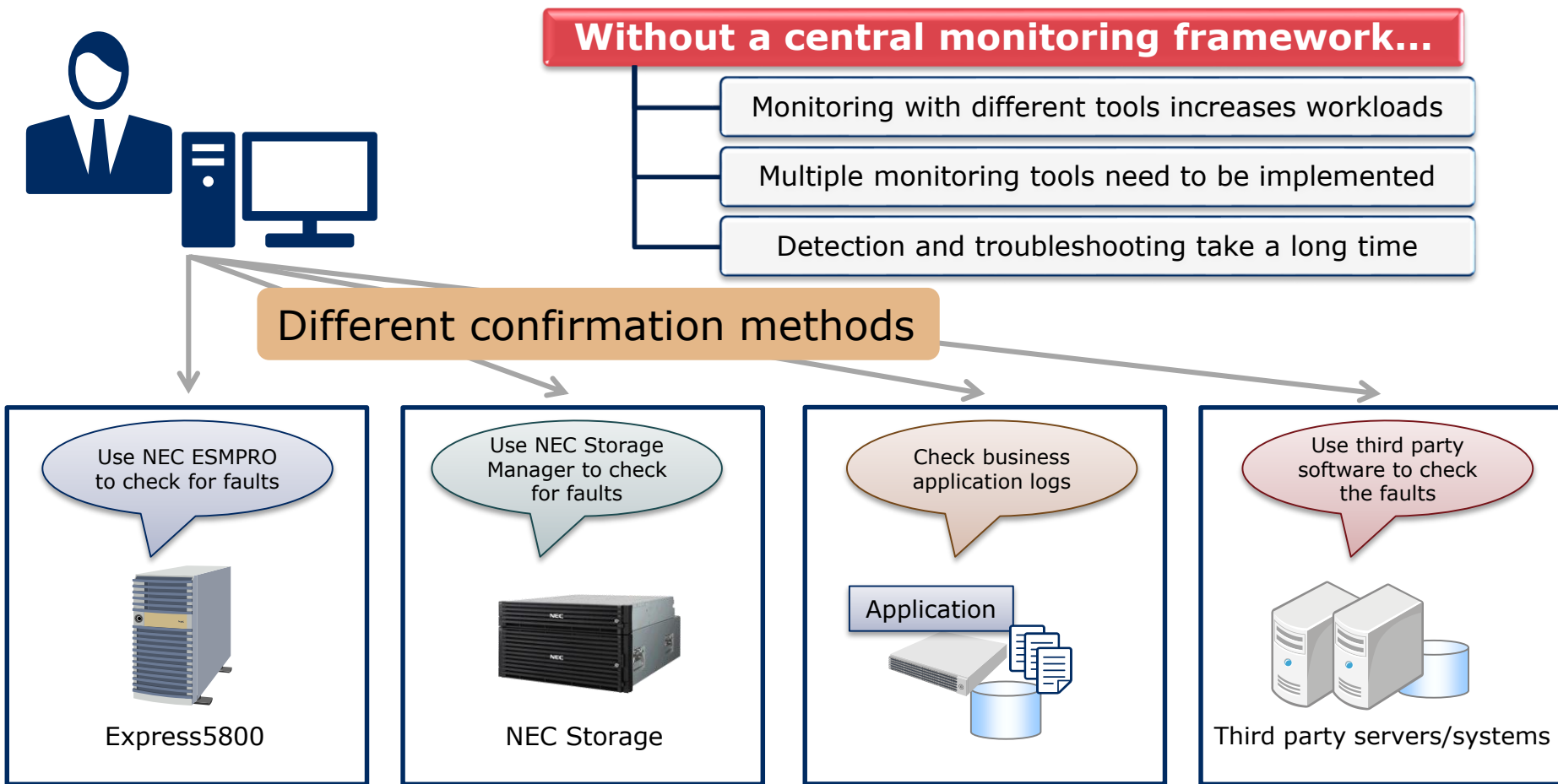
Handling policy

Consideration 4

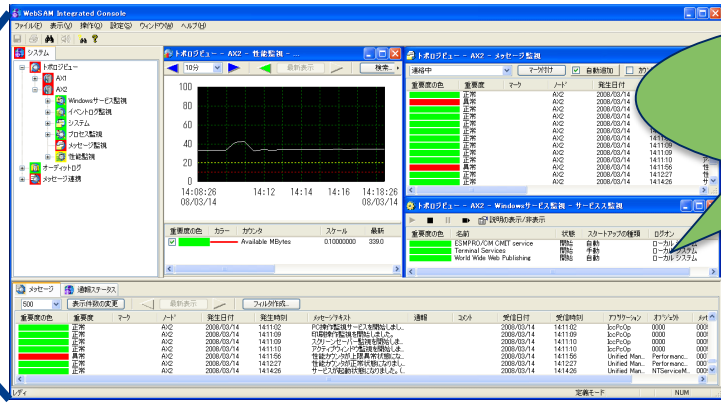
How can the system be recovered immediately?

3. Benefits of utilizing MasterScope central monitoring for users of NEC ESMPRO

System consists of various devices such as servers, networks, and storage, as well as elements such as middleware, applications, and performance. If these elements cannot be centrally monitored, various different tools and procedures will be needed, resulting in complex operations.

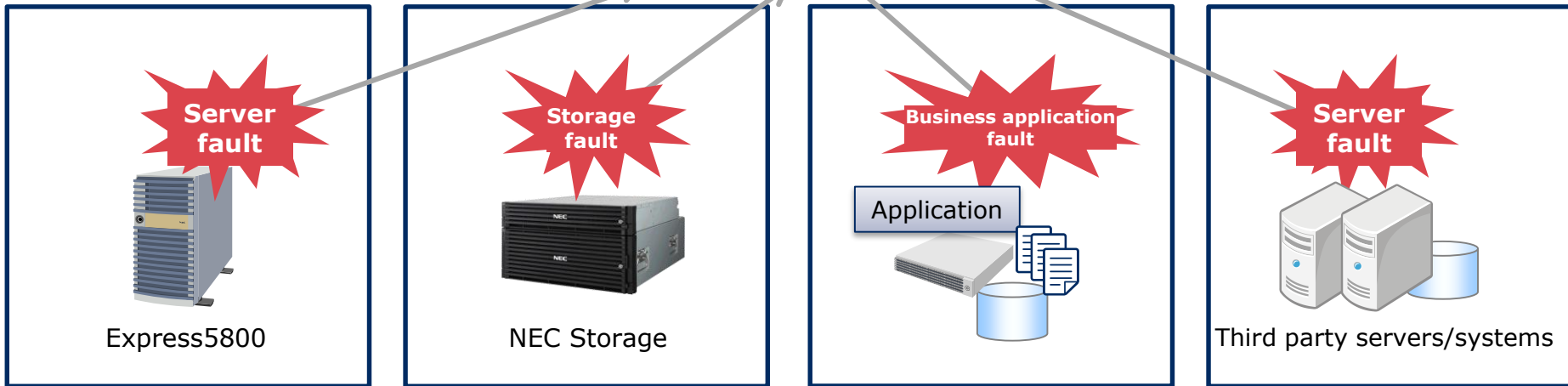


If a central monitoring framework is implemented, systems can be monitored from one location, which simplifies system monitoring operations and standardizes monitoring methods.



Central monitoring enables quick detection of system faults

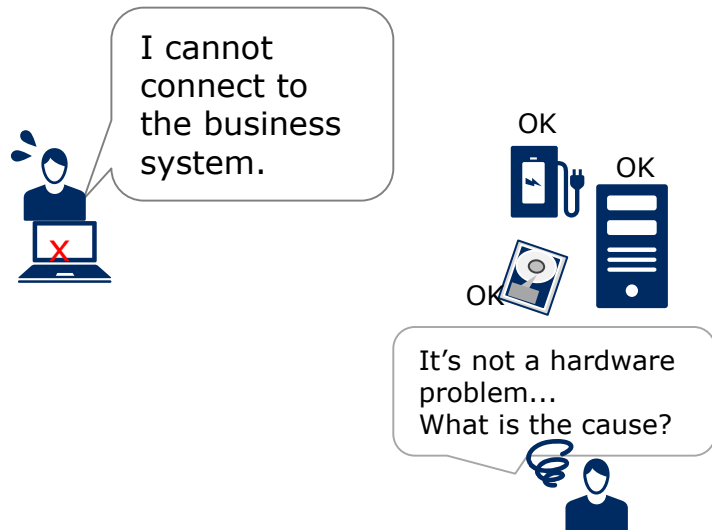
Example of using MasterScope SystemManager



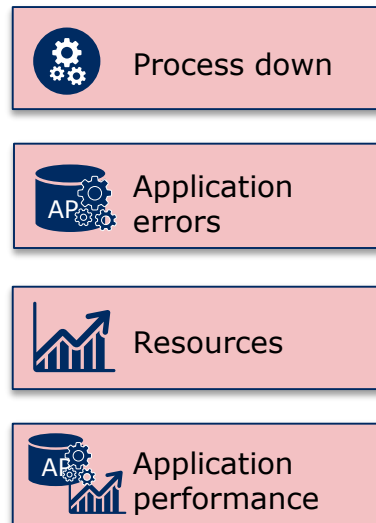
Example of faults that cannot be detected by NEC ESMPRO hardware monitoring alone

Monitoring by MasterScope is needed to detect not only hardware faults but also faults of the OS and applications running on servers.

If only hardware is monitored...



Points to confirm



MasterScope solutions

- 1 Process monitoring**
Alive monitoring for processes on servers is needed.
- 2 Text log monitoring**
Logs output by server applications need to be monitored.
- 3 Resource monitoring**
OS performance details need to be monitored.
- 4 Application performance monitoring**
Application performance needs to be monitored.

Requires skilled operators who can use their own knowledge to identify the cause...

Comparison between SystemManager and NEC ESMPRO (physical server monitoring)

A major difference is that MasterScope SystemManager offers advanced monitoring of operating systems and business applications (logs, processes/services, OS resources, etc.). Consider promoting MasterScope SystemManager for customers who require business application monitoring.

Monitoring	MasterScope SystemManager	NEC ESMPRO
Hardware faults	— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instead of directly monitoring the hardware, faults are detected by monitoring the fault information in the logs output by other tools (such as NEC ESMPRO). 	○ Available
System logs (Event logs, syslogs)	◎ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitored servers can be configured in the View. Advanced monitoring settings are available such as keyword-based text filtering. 	○ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring settings are configured in NEC ESMPRO/SAS and SA on monitored servers. For Windows servers, monitoring is configured based on the source and event ID (keywords are available for Linux).
Text logs	○ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application logs in text format are filtered by keywords for monitoring. 	✕ Not available
Processes/services	○ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alive monitoring for application processes (for Windows services, startup is also monitored) 	✕ Not available
Resources	◎ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not only CPU and memory but also thresholds for various resources on the OS are monitored. Resource status can be viewed on a performance graph. Accumulated resource status information can be output as statistics in CSV format. 	○ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thresholds for CPU/memory usage* and disk space can be used for monitoring. Note: For SAS, memory usage monitoring is supported in version 1.2 or later.
(Note) Monitoring settings	— Collectively configured from the control device.	— Log in to the server to configure event log monitoring

◎: Advanced, ○: Normal, ✕: Not available, - : Out of scope

Comparison between SystemManager and NEC ESMPRO (virtual server monitoring)

Consider using MasterScope SystemManager to monitor not only hardware but also ESXi and guest OS's (business applications) for faults.

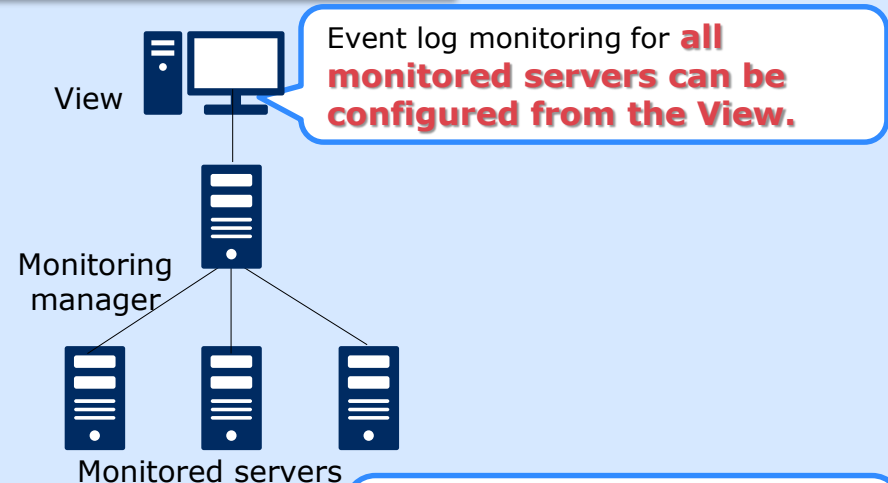
Monitoring		MasterScope SystemManager		NEC ESMPRO	
Hardware	Hardware faults	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instead of directly monitoring the hardware, faults are detected by monitoring the fault information in the logs output by other tools (such as NEC ESMPRO). 	○	Optional
	Resources	○	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use HypervisorMonitorOption. 	×	Not available
ESXi	Logs	○	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use HypervisorMonitorOption. 	△	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linked with NEC ESMPRO/ServerAgent for vMA.
	System logs (Event logs, syslogs)	◎	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitored servers can be configured in the View. Advanced monitoring settings are available such as keyword-based text filtering. 	△	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use NEC ESMPRO/ServerAgent for Guest OS (fee-based). For Windows servers, monitoring is configured based on the source and event ID (keywords are available for Linux).
Guest OS's	Text logs	○	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application logs in text format are filtered by keywords for monitoring. 	×	Not available
	Processes/services	○	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alive monitoring for application processes (for Windows services, startup is also monitored) 	×	Not available
	Resources	◎	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not only CPU and memory but also thresholds for various resources on the OS are monitored. Resource status can be viewed on a performance graph. Accumulated resource status information can be output as statistics in CSV format. 	△	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use NEC ESMPRO/ServerAgent for Guest OS (fee-based). Thresholds for CPU/memory usage and disk space can be used for monitoring.

◎: Advanced, ○: Normal, △: Partly available, ×: No feature, —: Out of scope

Comparison between MasterScope SystemManager and NEC ESMPRO (event log monitoring)

MasterScope SystemManager monitoring allows you to specify detailed conditions such as severity and content of event logs. It is especially helpful that the severity of each log message output by applications can be changed based on its content.

MasterScope SystemManager



In addition to the event source and ID, the **message text and severity** can be specified as fault detection conditions.

フィルタ定義 表示定義 オプション定義

メッセージ概要(D): エラーイベント

タイプ(T): 格納 削除

ノード(N): 否定

アプリケーション(A): 否定

オブジェクト(O): 否定

メッセージID(I): 否定

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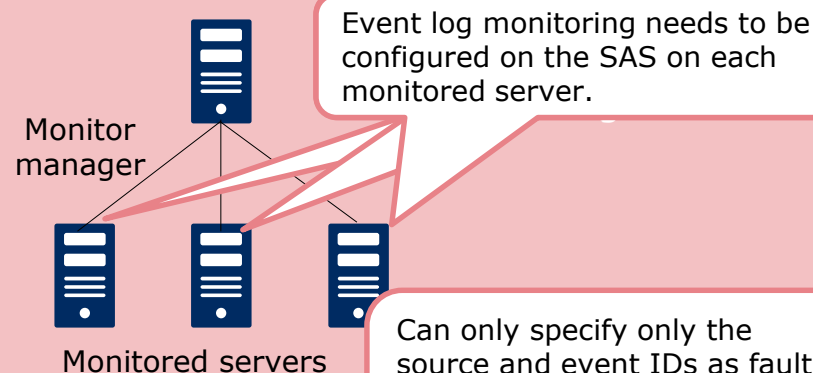
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重要度(S): 否定 エラー

NEC ESMPRO/SM, SAS



Can only specify only the source and event IDs as fault detection conditions.
* Message texts cannot be specified.

監視イベントの

ソース名(S): McLogEvent

イベントID(E): 5021 5022 5023 5030 5031 5033 5034 5035

監視イベントID(M): 5032

イベントメッセージ(V):
イベントID: 5032
NaiFiltr driver Start failed with error %1

Comparison between MasterScope SystemManager and NEC ESMPRO (resource monitoring)

MasterScope SystemManager can monitor various resources on the OS, and can output accumulated data as a graph or in CSV files, which can then be used for performance analysis and reporting.

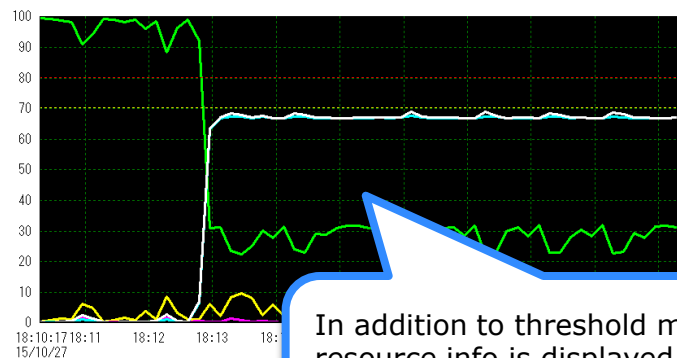
MasterScope SystemManager

Resource information that can be monitored

- CPU usage
- Memory usage (amount and ratio)
- Disk space
- CPU usage per process
- Processor queue
- Disk I/O
- NIC traffic etc.

Various resources on the OS can be monitored

(For Windows, performance monitoring or equivalent is possible.
For Linux, monitoring via sar and df is possible)



Performance.CSV

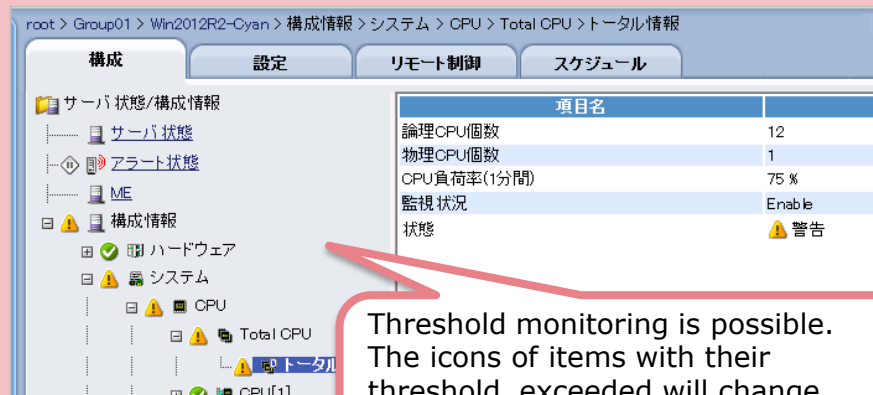
In addition to threshold monitoring, resource info is displayed on a graph.

Accumulated statistics can be output as CSV files.

NEC ESMPRO/SM, SAS

Resource information that can be monitored

- CPU usage
- Memory usage
- Disk space (As of November 2015)



Threshold monitoring is possible. The icons of items with their threshold exceeded will change.
* Statistical data cannot be accumulated.

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