





#### Discussion Agenda



Store Trends

The Reality Of Retailing



IBM MerchantReach For Kiosk

**Delivering Business Value** 

#### Technology Trends In Self Service

- Is there a Kiosk in your pocket?
- **→** The Customer Self Service Architecture



### The Reality of Retailing

Consumers shop for exactly what they want, whenever and wherever they want.

In-store

Online

Catalog

Kiosk

Phone, Fax, e-mail



They expect Personalization, Consistency and Convenience across all channels.





### At the same time, the business environment continues to challenge retailers....

Slow-growth environment

Intense competition

Customer service is a key differentiator

Labor market remains difficult

Need to capitalize on multi-channel customers as the most profitable





### ...to leverage every available resource to deliver customer value....

POS

Reaching new levels of service

Merchandise

Reaching out of the store

Staff

Reaching them effectively

Consumers

Reaching them anywhere





#### ...and deliver ever greater levels of service.

#### Convenience

"At every location in the store, let me do all the business I need to do."

#### Efficiency

"Save me time when I know exactly what I want to do."

#### Consistency

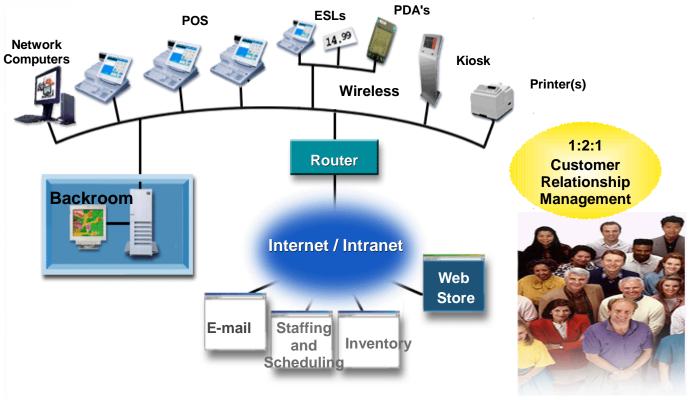
"Give me the same experience regardless of location, personnel, time of visit."

#### Satisfaction

"I want you to treat me as a valued customer, leaving me feeling good about my overall shopping experience."



# Retailers are responding by deploying kiosks as part of an integrated multi-channel retailing strategy such as MerchantReach



Multi-Channel Infrastructure





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IBM Kiosk Solution Experience Is Broad





#### Faster Transaction:

- ✓ Amtrak Ticketing
- ✓ British Air Coupons
- √ Alitalia Coupons
- ✓ Air Canada
- ✓ Hilton



#### Convenience:

- ✓ Trump, Harrahs, others
- ✓ Blue Cross

### Improve Sales Experience:

- √ Chrysler
- ✓ Music Listening



#### Expand Offerings, Mass Customize

- ✓ Target, Venator
- ✓ Lawson
- ✓ Fuji Photo Film
- ✓ Florsheim





#### Reaching and retaining the customer

#### Offer Self Service

#### Self Service Capabilities

Advertising Circular
In-store product locator
Self check out
Deli/Bakery order entry
Film development order entry

Instant Credit
Layaway payments

Rainchecks

Gift registry

Check on order status

Customer pick up

Product comparison and

selection

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Special Orders



### Customer loyalty station

Dispense loyalty cards
Offer targeted promotions
Deliver coupons or shopping lists
Provide information on
points/offer attainment
Club program updates
Suggestive Selling
Registration for sweepstakes

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#### Extending the product line Provide More or Different Products Access to web site and ordering

Special orders

Offer goods from complementary

partners

Merchandise too large for selling

space

Featured products and promotions

#### Delivering more value Kiosk as Delivery Mechanism

Real time access to "experts"

**Tickets** 

Gift and phone cards

Product on demand (music, image,

print)

Product information and buying guides

Assembly instructions

Recipes and nutritional information

Customer education





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#### Managing Store Operations

Store Management Support

E-mail

**Employment applications** 

Forms automation

Access to store manuals and procedures

Headquarters/Store video communications

#### Store Associate Support

Access to client history and information

**Product information** 

**Product location across chain** 

Associate training and testing

Labor tracking

Personal HR data access









# The market has proven the business value of a number of retail self service applications.

Established value propositions

Gift registry
Applicant screening
Photo finishing services
Digital product delivery (games)









## Others are now being deployed and proven...

#### Experiments

Gift cards

e-commerce (line extensions or partnerships)

Instant credit

**Product locator / store directory** 

Advertising subsidized models

**Customer service transactions** 

Gift receipts, pick-up, club memberships

#### **Product information**

- Category killers (wine, health)
- Remote product consultation (video/audio enhanced)

#### **Grocery sub-segment**

- Loyalty relationship management
- Personalized e-couponing
- Deli, bakery pre-ordering
- Out-of-store scanning / ordering

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...and new and exciting applications are expected to mature in the future based on emerging technology.

#### Media Sales Assist

**Books** 

Music

Video

Games

#### Digital Media Delivery

**Digital Music** 

- Custom CDs
- Portable digital players

e-Books

Video

Games (new formats)





### Market factors are driving the growth of kiosks....

#### **Business drivers**

Consumers are more comfortable with technology

Consumers demand more choice and information to help their decision making

Businesses want to provide more choice while minimizing the cost of inventory

Skilled employees are increasingly difficult to attract and retain

#### Technology advances

Hardware costs continue to decrease

Components and therefore kiosks continue to become smaller Many businesses have installed Internet access and wide area networks to consumers

Web and shop-floor experience can be integrated using kiosk







#### ...But success and growth could easily be stymied by the dark force in kiosk - Low **Availability**

- Fool Me Once
- A user might accept a non-working kiosk one time but if it doesn't work the second time they are not likely to return.
- Impact The Brand
- Customers value self service & will resent a non-responsive kiosk as much as non-responsive employee
- Delivering Return On Investment
- A non-working kiosk can't deliver value to your customers or to your customers' customers

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## We have the tools to neutralized the dark force and ensure High Availability

#### Ensuring High Availability

- Maintenance
- **24x7**
- Responsiveness
- Access to spare parts
- Problem detection
- Maintenance
- Consumables, Cleaning
- Help Desk
- Remote Monitoring & Management.....



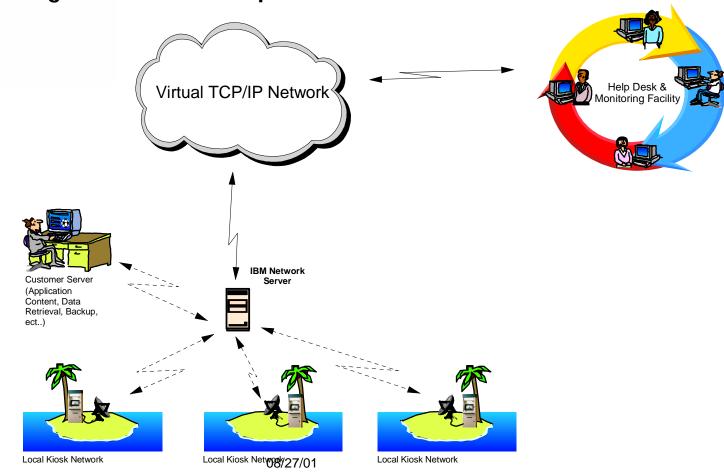


#### Remote Kiosk Monitoring & Management

**Proactively address problems** 

Remote monitoring of peripherals via network (Consumer Device Services)

Manage software, data updates - network downloads





### Kiosk Considerations

Rugged core technology

#### PC/Touchscreen

Retail Hardened

#### Common Features

Presence Detector

Stereo Speakers

Card Reader

Bar Code Scanner

Receipt Printer, Page Printer

**UPS** 

Keyboard/Trackball

**Enclosure** 

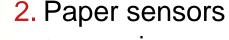




#### Effortless maintenance

1. Servicing drawer

kiosk contents slide in and out for easy servicing



- ▶ paper jam
- ► low paper
- ▶ weekend
- 3. 10in/250mm paper roll
  - ► minimizes paper changes

#### 4. Cable management

► internal cabling is stationary to prevent interference with kiosk servicing

#### 5. Cable retractor

for power and comms cables, releasing cable for the drawer to open and retracting it when closed





#### **Enclosure Considerations**

- 1. Splash-resistant louvers
  - angled to allow air to flow but liquids to be kept out



#### 2. Signage mounting capability

threaded mounting holes on rear of enclosure enable the kiosk to be customized with promotional signage and accessories

- 3. Durable enclosure
  - durable sheet metal with powder coated resin, for a tough but smooth design





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### Business requirements drive a need for multiple applications or "suites"

#### Key architectural requirements

Applications must be available across multiple devices

■ Key variables: Screen sizes, employee vs. customer access

Applications must work across multiple network models

■ Isolate the application from transport issues

Applications must use common, non-proprietary, web-based standards

■ Integrate best-of-breed applications into common architecture





### Self-service technology platforms are evolving rapidly based on web technology

#### Kiosk

Fixed or mobile Wired or wireless

#### Point-of-sale

Customer-facing display Customer check-out

#### Portable Devices - "Personal kiosks"

Store supplied / employee enabled Customer carried - PDA, Cell phone, self-identifying





# Networking technologies are enabling different topologies in the store

Standard wired LAN
Symbol (and other) 802.11 wireless
Infrared for line-of-sight devices
Bluetooth for localized
communications

Connectivity to enterprise network remains a common hurdle





# Deployment and systems management are critical success factors

Key requirements for self-service solutions

Remote systems management

Remote software maintenance and distribution

System architecture with interchangeable building blocks

Scalable from pilot to deployment based on business success

Avoid labor-intensive changes to architecture as deployment proceeds





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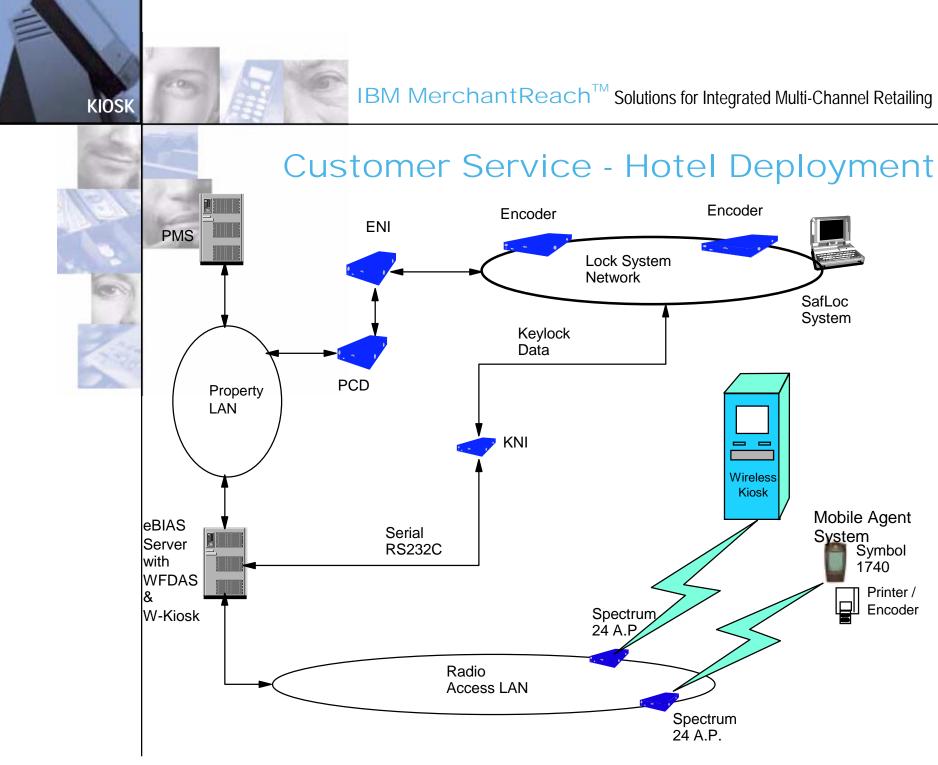
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### The Integrated Multi-Channel Kiosk Value Proposition:

Integration that enables you to truly know your customers so that you may serve them better and maximize your business results

Kiosk Selling: Integration to inventory and item databases
Product Locator: Integration to store perpetual inventories
Customer Loyalty: Integration to marketing systems
In-Store Item Locator: Integration to space management
Line Extension Selling: Integration to suppliers
Personal Shopping Services: Integration to sales history
Associate Information Access: Integration to HR systems



### Strategic Decisions

What applications fit my target customer?

**Critical component in Marketing Strategy** 

What is the right business model?

Self owned Product provider owned Advertising owned

Who are the right partners?

What to outsource? Marketing, application, kiosk, deployment, availability, content/technology refresh, financing



#### Kiosk Solutions In Retail

# Thank You

