



3 keys to effective service availability management

Visibility.

Proactivity.

Collaboration.

Visibility

Managing service availability without visibility into downtime and data loss risks is like flying at night without instruments.

Given the complexity and dynamic nature of enterprise IT environments, the only practical way to gain visibility into such risks is through **automated risk discovery** that constantly scans the entire IT landscape for downtime and data-loss threats.

To monitor these risks, you need a service availability dashboard that not only shows the underlying issues, but also clearly points out the potential business impact.

With this information at hand, relevant IT teams have an **up-to-date view of the organization's readiness state**. They can pinpoint areas of risk and focus their attention and resources on fixing these issues *before* they impair business operation.

"We are able to identify the possible risks in our current DR/HA strategy, making it easier for us to anticipate them and establish proactive measures prior to contingency tests and simulations."

Antonio Castillo, Manager, DR/HA Europe, BBVA



The screenshot shows a 'Scan Summary' dashboard with a table of business entities and their risk levels. The table has five columns: Business Entity, Data Risk, Availability Risk, Optimization, and SLA. Each cell contains a colored circle indicating the risk level: red for high risk, yellow for medium risk, and green for low risk.

Business Entity	Data Risk	Availability Risk	Optimization	SLA
Billing	Yellow	Red	Green	Green
ERP	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Red
QA	Green	Green	Green	Green
Web	Red	Red	Yellow	Green
LAB	Green	Green	Green	Green
DWH	Yellow	Green	Green	Green
CRM	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green
C&W	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green
DWH	Yellow	Green	Green	Green

Service Availability Dashboard showing risk levels for each business entity

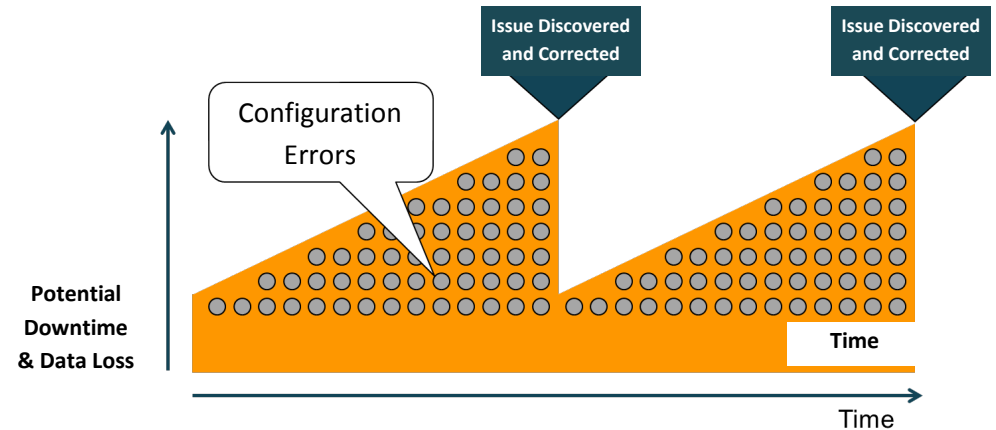
Proactivity

In a highly complex and dynamic IT environment, configuration errors are inevitable.

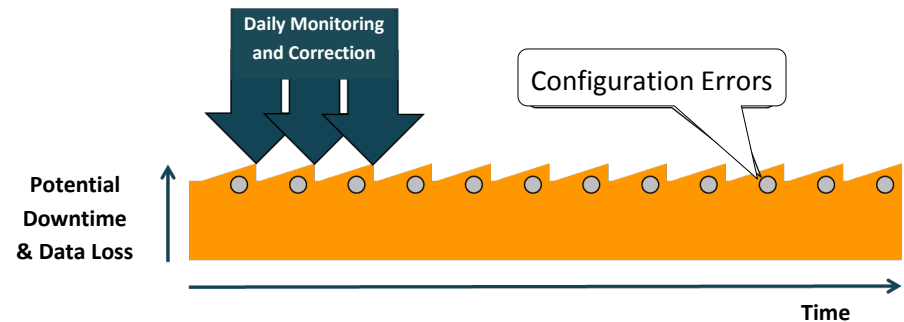
The real question is how quickly you can identify hidden errors and correct them.

If you wait for issues to become evident, the risk of downtime and data loss keeps growing every day. By the time the issue is uncovered, it may be just too late.

With daily monitoring of your entire IT infrastructure configuration, you can proactively address issues before they cause downtime and data loss, minimizing the risk to your business.



Downtime and data loss risks accumulation over time



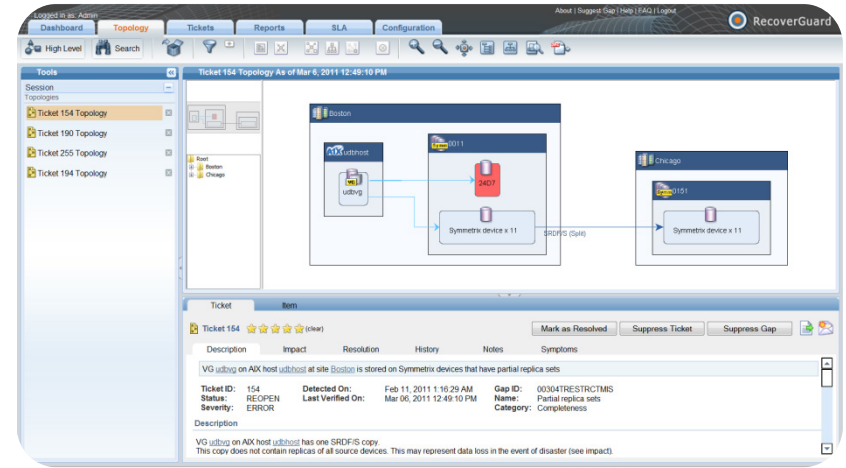
Downtime and data loss risks with daily monitoring

Collaboration

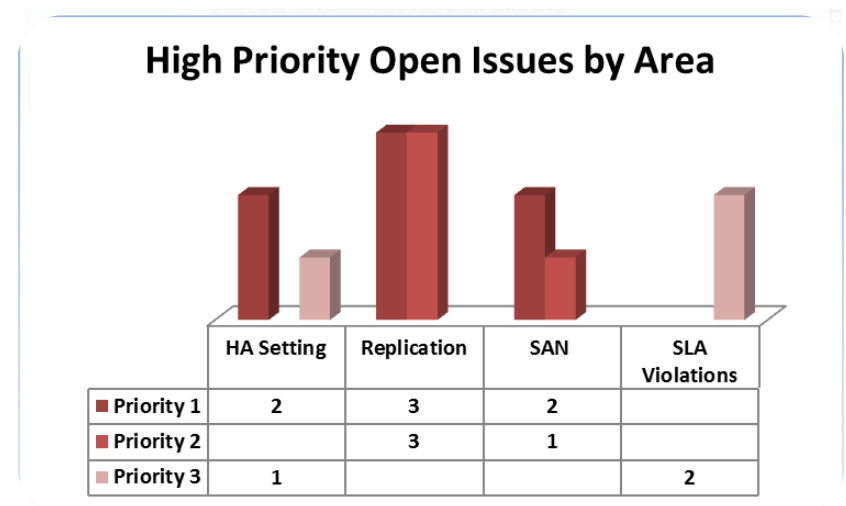
Consistent compliance with service availability goals requires tight collaboration and coordination among various IT teams. **Effective collaboration can only be achieved when all parties involved are able to share information** in real-time.

Cross-team access to up-to-date actionable information about risks—including the ability to drill down into the symptoms, root causes, and potential business impact—allows for much more effective collaboration. Integration with existing enterprise systems—email, portals, and incident management systems—further streamlines accessibility and collaboration.

Finally, a set of automated management reports that include the most current statistics and measurements allows business owners and stakeholders to keep track of the organization's state of readiness day in and day out.



Tickets generated for each risk detected enable tracking and collaboration



Management reports based on automated risk detection

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