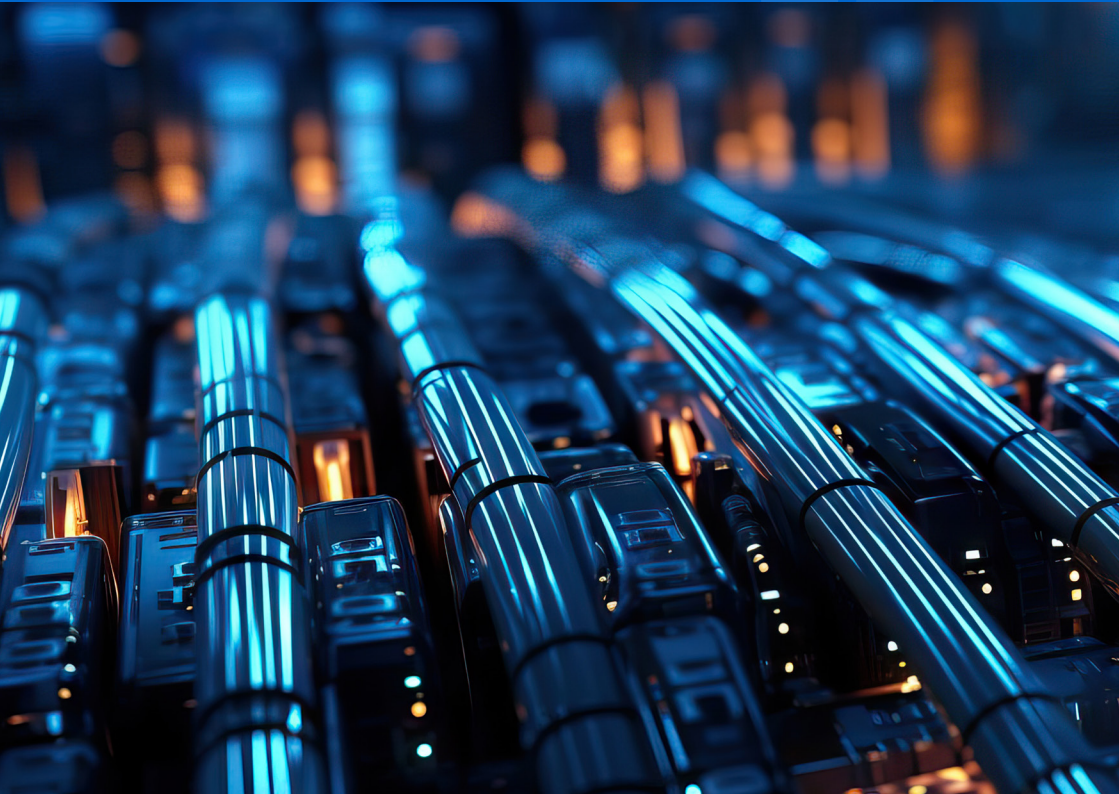


Broadband Service Assurance Platform

AI-powered proactive maintenance and monitoring of access network devices



Introduction

The ever-changing landscape of the telecommunications industry is facing rapid developments almost every day. As a result, telecoms nowadays manage complex networks that involve many vendors, new and legacy technologies and device types. Yet frequently they lack the means to ensure a unified view of such heterogeneous network infrastructure. This creates a number of issues that become the most visible

when a failure occurs. Without a bird's-eye view of the network in one place, fault detection becomes time-consuming at best and near-impossible at worst.

Our solution

AVSystem's Broadband Service Assurance Platform (BSAP) is a system that monitors the conditions of DSL, HFC, and FTTH services based on the input from a variety of access network devices (OLT/CMTS/DSLAM/MSAN/eNodeB) via any protocol (SNMP, Telnet, TR-069, SSH, TL1).

BSAP aggregates data from different network devices and integrates it with external OSS and BSS to provide a comprehensive source of information needed for service assurance in customer care and network operation centers. This makes it easier to take full control of the network and quickly find root causes of even the most complex issues.

Challenges

- ☑ Data scattered across different sources
- ☑ No means of visualizing and grouping of the data
- ☑ Missing tools for preventive maintenance

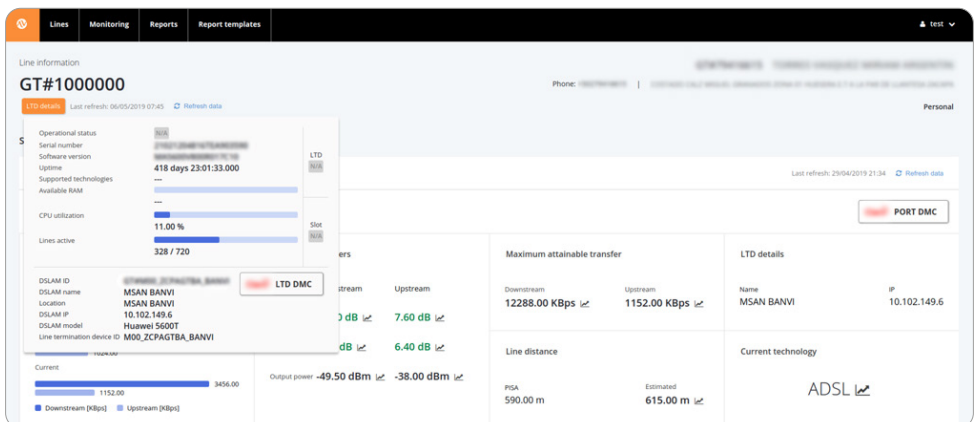
BSAP also comes equipped with a powerful AI-driven algorithm for fault prediction. Using machine learning, the algorithm can identify underlying problems that might have gone unnoticed and alert operators, so that they can respond before any serious breakdown occurs.

Our platform combines data from different sources and comes with a flexible reporting engine, which gives telcos a unique tool to detect inconsistencies in external BSS/OSS databases, analyze different customer propositions they have to offer, find opportunities for upselling, and more.

Features

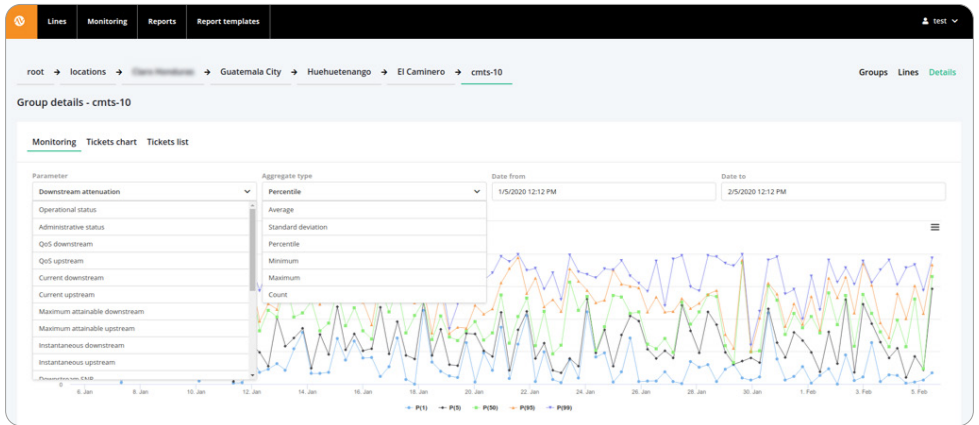
☑ Data visualization

Predefined and customized dashboards visualize integrated data from different access network devices and BSS/OSS.



Data grouping

Powerful grouping mechanisms enable flexible categorization based on different criteria, as well as group monitoring and analysis, or SLA performance assessment.



Preventive diagnostics

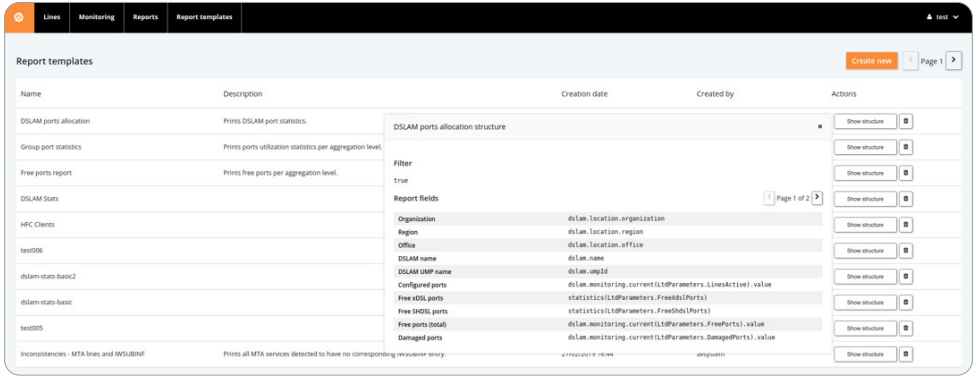
The system runs preemptive and scheduled maintenance, identifies root causes of network problems and misconfiguration issues.

The screenshot shows a 'Network operation center' dashboard. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Lines, Monitoring, Reports, Report templates, and Network operation center. The user 'Hi, Emilie Castro' is logged in. A search bar is present with 'Severity >= Warning' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar is a table of alerts. The table has columns: Severity, Status, Title, Category, Last activity, and Assigned user. The alerts are listed as follows:

Severity	Status	Title	Category	Last activity	Assigned user
ERROR	OPEN	BSS service connection lost	Hardware issues	11/06/2020	Pearl Cain
ERROR	OPEN	Critically low storage	Hardware issues	11/06/2020	Rachel Gordon
ERROR	OPEN	Rapid decrease in Kafka throughput	Hardware issues	09/06/2020	Georgia Payne
ERROR	OPEN	GT#1045478 Downstream Attenuation increase	Anomalies	04/06/2020	Catherine Richardson
ERROR	OPEN	GT#982753 Upstream SNR and Downstream SNR decrease	Anomalies	03/06/2020	Maud Webster
ERROR	REJECTED	MongoDB server disconnected from a cluster	Hardware issues	03/06/2020	Esther Price
ERROR	RESOLVED	Critically low storage	Hardware issues	03/06/2020	Sallie Leonard
ERROR	RESOLVED	BSS service connection lost	Hardware issues	30/05/2020	Carolyn Sanchez
ERROR	REJECTED	Rapid increase in MongoDB average wait time	Hardware issues	29/05/2020	Theresa Richardson
WARNING	OPEN	Less than 5% of RAM available	Hardware issues	10/06/2020	Margaret Crawford
WARNING	OPEN	FTP server timeout	Hardware issues	08/06/2020	Lenora Miller
WARNING	RESOLVED	GT#934872 DSLAM and current downstream rates mismatch	Misconfigurations	08/06/2020	Johanna Jenkins
WARNING	RESOLVED	GT#2819201 Downstream SNR value below a threshold	Anomalies	05/06/2020	Verna Snyder
WARNING	RESOLVED	GT#1827469 expected Upstream Attenuation seasonal peak not found	Anomalies	01/06/2020	Daisy Jackson
WARNING	REJECTED	Soft quota reached	Hardware issues	28/05/2020	Lola Nichols

Reporting

The reporting module with predefined templates allows for easy monitoring of inconsistencies and finding opportunities for optimization.



The screenshot displays the 'Report templates' interface. It features a table of templates with columns for Name, Description, Creation date, Created by, and Actions. A 'Filter' section is active, showing 'true'. A 'Report fields' section lists various data points such as Organization, Region, Office, DSLAM name, DSLAM MSP name, Configured ports, Free xDSL ports, Free SHDSL ports, Free ports (total), and Damaged ports. Each field has a corresponding 'Show structure' button. The interface also includes a 'Create new' button and a 'Page 1' indicator.

Benefits



Less downtime, reduced MTTR and smaller number of maintenance actions.



Improved quality of service driving higher customer satisfaction and lowering churn rate.



Cost savings on technical staff hiring, training, manual interventions and customer care/NOC operations.



Possibility of integrating with ACS to supervise both CPEs and access network devices, ensuring customer satisfaction.

Identify, analyze and prevent network issues

The ability to monitor the whole network and troubleshoot all issues has a direct impact on both operational costs and customer satisfaction. Having a full overview of the infrastructure allows you to act on issues more quickly or even prevent them altogether, thus reducing the downtime and mean time to repair. Managing the network becomes more intuitive to staff thanks to an understandable graphical user interface and customizable key performance indicators

integrated with all your systems, and so can lead to savings on onboarding and training. Additionally, comprehensive reporting that combines information from BSS and OSS with recent and historical monitoring data gives you one-of-a-kind insight into your company infrastructure, thus creating new opportunities for both technical and business improvements. It all results in a better quality of service that has a palpable impact on customer satisfaction and retention.

Go beyond service assurance!

Broadband Service Assurance Platform works in tandem with Unified Management Platform – AVSystem's powerful multiprotocol ACS that helps telecoms take care of CPE management. UMP provides top-class tools for device configuration and maintenance that make it easier to install and manage both residential and business CPEs, regardless of what access technology or protocol they use. It also offers premium features that cover a variety of use cases, depending on the

technological and business needs of your company. These include business router management, WiFi optimization, DOCSIS provisioning, customer care automation and more.

Together, BSAP and UMP deliver a comprehensive solution that allows telcos to supervise both customer premises equipment and access network devices to provide a seamless experience for end users and significantly improve their satisfaction.



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AVSystem was founded in 2006 with a focus on providing automation solutions for connected device ecosystems. Although the company started by serving the telecommunications industry, it has since expanded its services to various sectors in over 60 countries. Catering local internet service providers as well as multinational telco operators and enterprises, we develop top-notch solutions dedicated to telecommunications, WiFi VAS, and the rapidly growing Internet of Things. Our goal is to create flexible and dynamic technology based on open standards accessible to everyone. We not only follow the newest trends but also co-create them with other IT industry pioneers by actively participating in organizations such as the Broadband Forum.

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