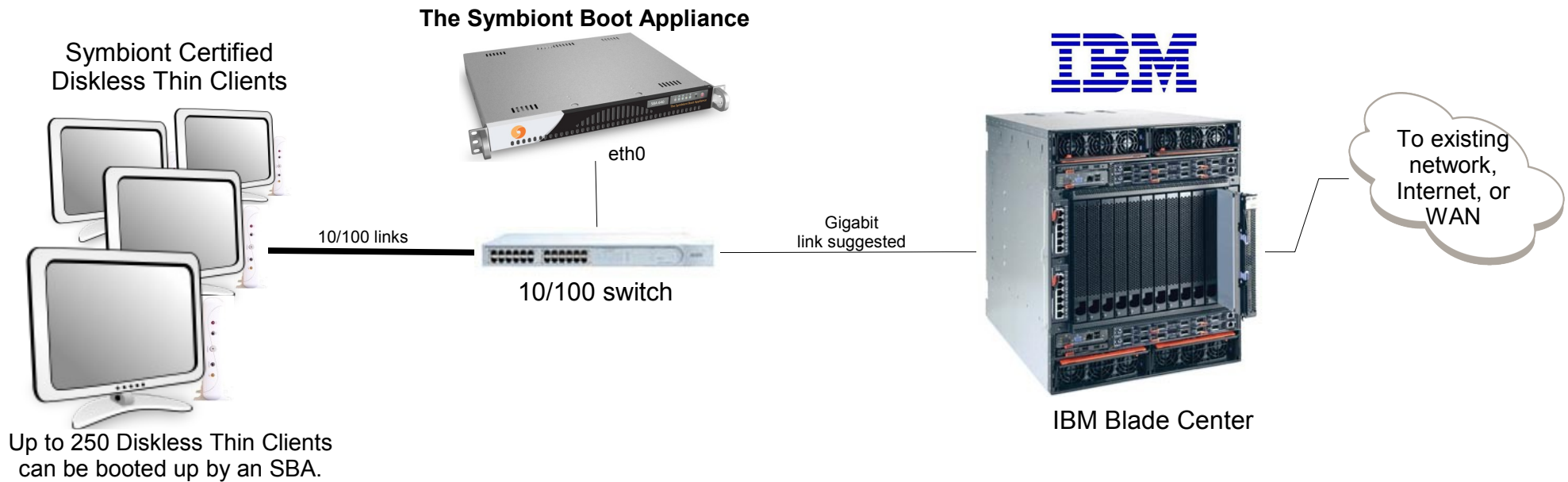


Using The Symbiont Boot Appliance™ to Connect to an IBM BladeCenter™



- The Symbiont Boot Appliance (SBA) boots up, then connects Diskless Thin Clients to the IBM BladeCenter running any terminal server operating system.
- No large OS image or software is pushed to the Diskless Thin Clients.
- The BladeCenter can run one or several different terminal server enabled operating systems. No 3rd party software needs to be installed on the BladeCenter to boot up the Diskless Thin Clients.
- The BladeCenter, SBA, and Diskless Thin Clients are on the same network subnet. (note: other configurations are possible)
- The BladeCenter has several NICs. One provides the desktop; the others connects to the existing network or the internet.
- A standard 10/100Mbps switch can be used, however gigabit links to the server are suggested.
- The BladeCenter is the only point of administration and management, significantly reducing network TCO.
- The SBA's second NIC (eth1) can be connected to the network for remote administration and for firmware updates.
- The SBA's eth0 NIC runs a DHCP server and responds to boot-up requests from the Diskless Thin Clients.
- The SBA's DHCP server can be used for the Diskless Thin Clients as well as other network attached devices.



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