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Machines running a Backup Agent

These servers and/or workstations are the machines that the backup application is backing up. The backup agent that resides on each of these machines sends the desired data and supplemental information over to a backup node.

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Backup Node / Vertices Agent

A backup node is where all backed up data is processed and written to storage media (usually tape). Information concerning what data was logged on which tape is recorded in the resident database and log files of the backup application. An enterprise may contain more than one backup node.

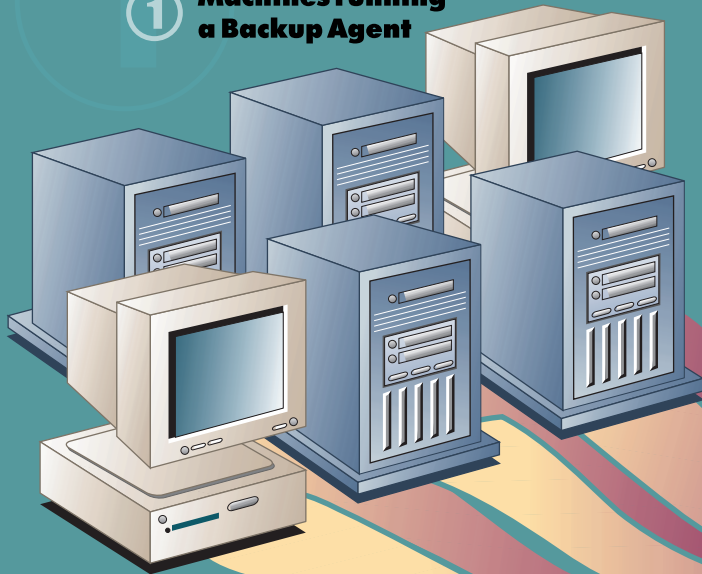
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Vertices Server

The server receives the information relayed by each automation agent and immediately inserts that information into the Vertices database. Using this information, Vertices then tracks, controls, and protects all the media within the enterprise.

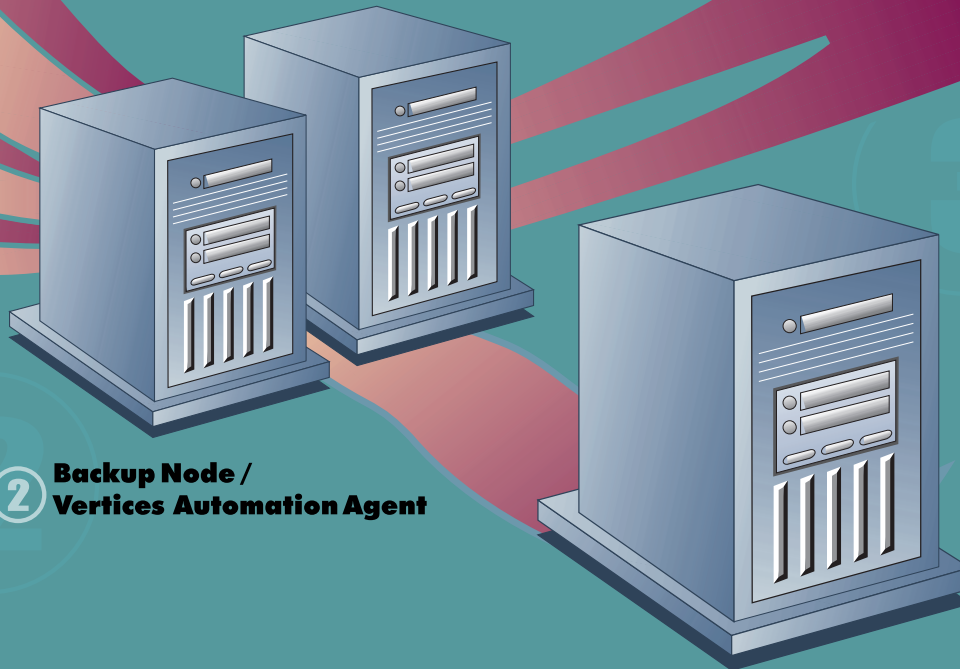
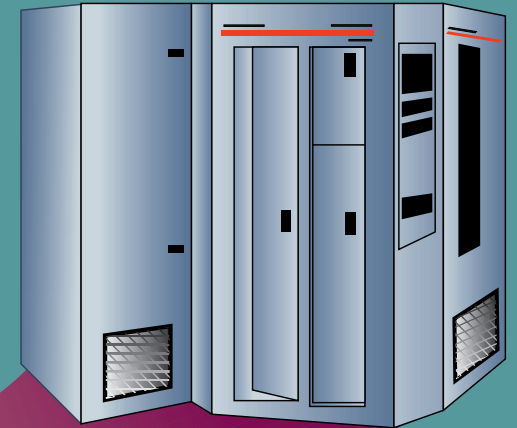
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Each backup node in the enterprise also acts as a Vertices client by running Vertices automation agent software. Residing on the same machine as the database and log files of the backup application, the Vertices automation agent extracts the relevant tape information and communicates it to the Vertices server.

Vertices™ Automation Agent Flow



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Vertices Server



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