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## 3 deep-dives you should really read

### [AI denial is becoming an enterprise risk: Why dismissing “slop” obscures real capability gains](#)

VentureBeat · AI · Topic: AI/Cloud/Quantum

- **What it is:** AI denial is a societal defense mechanism dismissing advanced AI capabilities as 'slop,' underestimating its rapid progress and significant transformative potential in enterprises.
- **Who:** Journalists, influencers, and casual users are currently dismissing advanced AI capabilities as 'slop,' while C-level executives risk underinvesting due to this misleading public sentiment.
- **What it does:** This widespread AI denial causes enterprises to overlook continuous capability gains, fostering underinvestment and preventing them from leveraging AI's profound transformative power and addressing its risks.
- **Why it matters:** Dismissing AI's true capabilities as 'slop' creates a significant enterprise risk, leading to missed opportunities for competitive advantage and potential exposure to unmanaged AI manipulation problems.
- **Strategic view:** C-level executives must overcome AI denial, strategically invest in understanding AI's accelerating capabilities beyond surface flaws, and prepare for its societal impact on cognitive supremacy and potential for manipulation.

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### [Cisco: Service provider market is 'recovering nicely'](#)

Fierce Telecom · Topic: AI/Cloud/Quantum

- **What it is:** Cisco reports a strong rebound in service provider market spending, indicating growing confidence and investment in network infrastructure.
- **Who:** Cisco, a leading network equipment provider, is observing capital expenditure trends among its global service provider customers.
- **What it does:** This recovery is directly fueling spending on critical network refreshes and expanding crucial AI and data center connectivity solutions.
- **Why it matters:** It signifies a renewed commitment to upgrading core network capabilities and building foundational infrastructure essential for future AI-driven services and data demands.
- **Strategic view:** This market recovery signals a strategic imperative for C-level executives to accelerate their own investment plans in network modernization and AI-ready infrastructure to capitalize on evolving demand.

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### [How Hybrid \(Converged\) Gateways Are Redefining Broadband Reliability](#)

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- **What it is:** Hybrid (converged) gateways are innovative network devices designed to maintain internet connectivity by utilizing backup alternatives when primary fiber connections fail.
- **Who:** These solutions primarily benefit homes and small businesses that critically depend on uninterrupted, high-speed internet access for their daily operations and leisure.
- **What it does:** They automatically switch to alternative network technologies, like cellular, during primary fiber outages caused by events such as storms, ensuring continuous internet service.
- **Why it matters:** This technology significantly enhances broadband reliability, mitigating service disruptions that could otherwise severely impact users' work, education, and entertainment activities.
- **Strategic view:** For TMT executives, deploying these gateways reduces customer churn, differentiates service offerings, and strengthens brand loyalty by guaranteeing essential connectivity during unforeseen outages.

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