



Flash Memory Summit 18

Integrating Scale-out Flash into Production Workflows.

Optimizing flash to speed up random read, random write, shared file, high concurrency and streaming workloads

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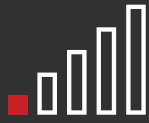


THE RISE OF
DATA:

Diversified workloads, more complexity, deeper workflows.



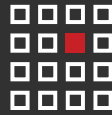
Machine Learning



Big Data



Multi-Physics



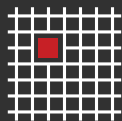
Supercomputing



NoSQL Analytics



Workflows

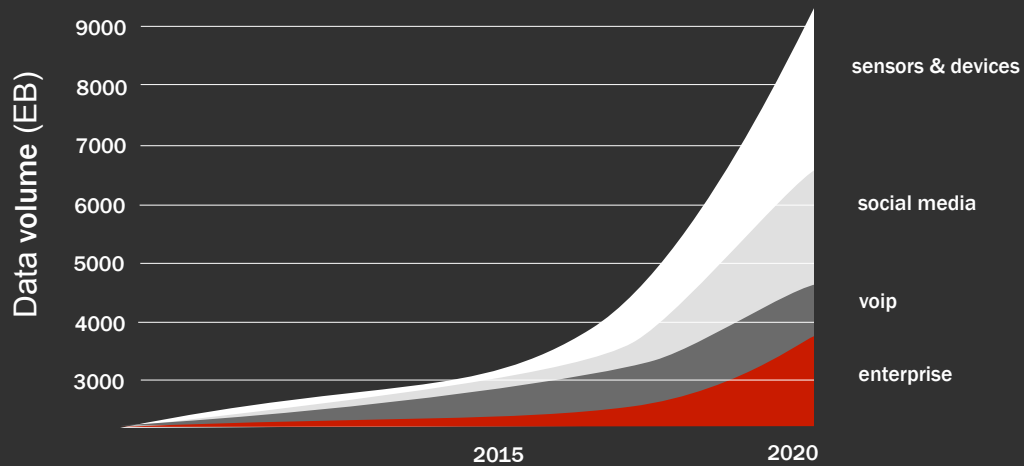


Adaptive Mesh Refinement



Checkpointing

Deep sophistication
in data platforms
reduces complexity
for the business



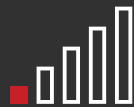
Active data Volumes & increasing application sophistication demanding new levels of **performance, scale** and **economy** from data platforms.

Despite the new emergence of all-flash, modern enterprise storage approaches are failing to address the challenges at scale.

Modern workloads, introduce tougher IO = Pain for filesystems, even parallel filesystems.



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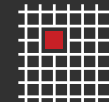
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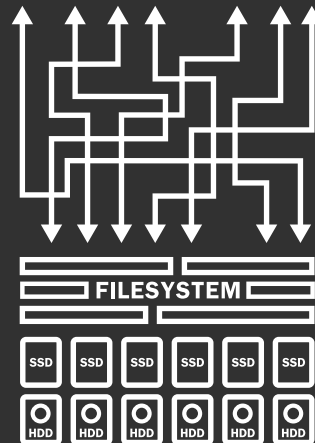


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Modern Workload IO patterns are increasingly mixed and tough: reads and writes, random and sequential, high thread counts, shared file access



Traditional Thick File system SW layers and fixed data layout severely restrict performance for tough workloads – even with SSDs

Expansion in active data volumes requires a new economics for fast data at scale.



Filesystem Limitations

ALL-FLASH BLOCK
doesn't solve the problem.
Block IOPs \neq File IOPs



NFs Limitations

ALL-FLASH NFS
too slow & too expensive for
real, at-scale data problems



Controller Limitations

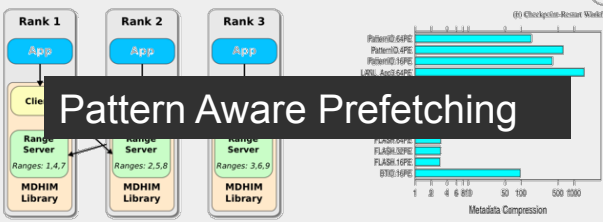
**TRADITIONAL
HYBRID APPROACH**
doesn't enable flash at scale –
still limited by the storage
controller



Flash Potential is Hard to Extract. It Requires Productized Innovations

I/O Acceleration with Pattern Detection

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Pattern Aware Prefetching

MDHIM: A Parallel Key/Value Framework for HPC

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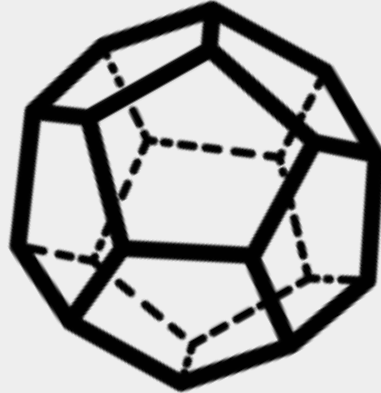


Write-Anywhere Layout

BAD-Check³: Bulk Asynchronous Distributed Checkpointing



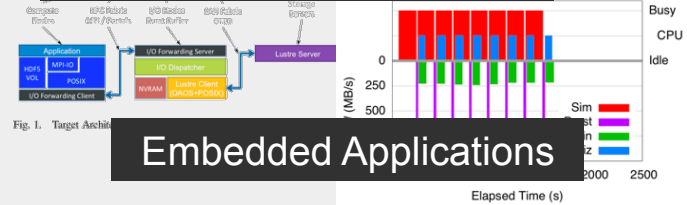
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On the Non-Suitability of Non-Volatility

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Software Defined Erasure



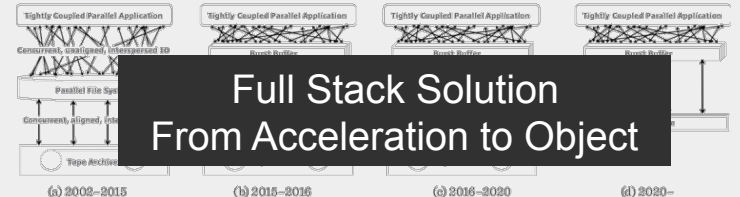
Embedded Applications

Jitter-Free Co-Processing on a Prototype Exascale Storage Stack

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Serving Data to the Lunatic Fringe The Evolution of HPC Storage

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Full Stack Solution From Acceleration to Object

Figure 2: From 2 to 4 and back again. Static for over a decade, the HPC storage stack has now entered a period of rapid change.



INTRODUCING

Scale-Out Flash

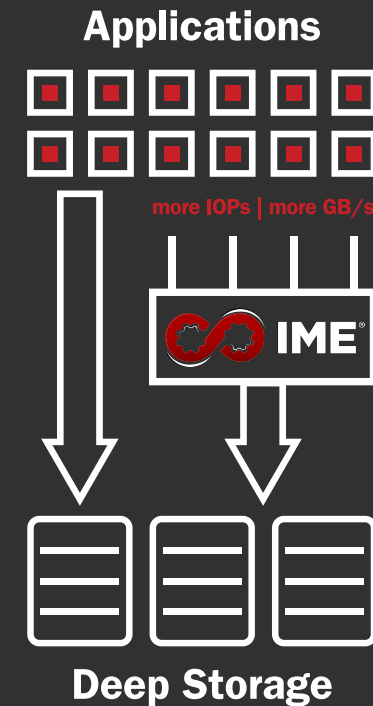
- Truly Software-Defined
- Commodity Hardware
- Highly Available
- Forever Scalable
- Low Power, High Density
- Removes Filesystem Bottlenecks
- 100% Flash Native



IME

Scale-Out NVMe Flash.

- IME forms a transparent, scalable cache which delivers unprecedented performance to applications
- Zero Application modifications are needed for IME to unleash the power of your next generation workloads
- IME dramatically accelerates random read, random write, shared file, high concurrency and streaming workloads



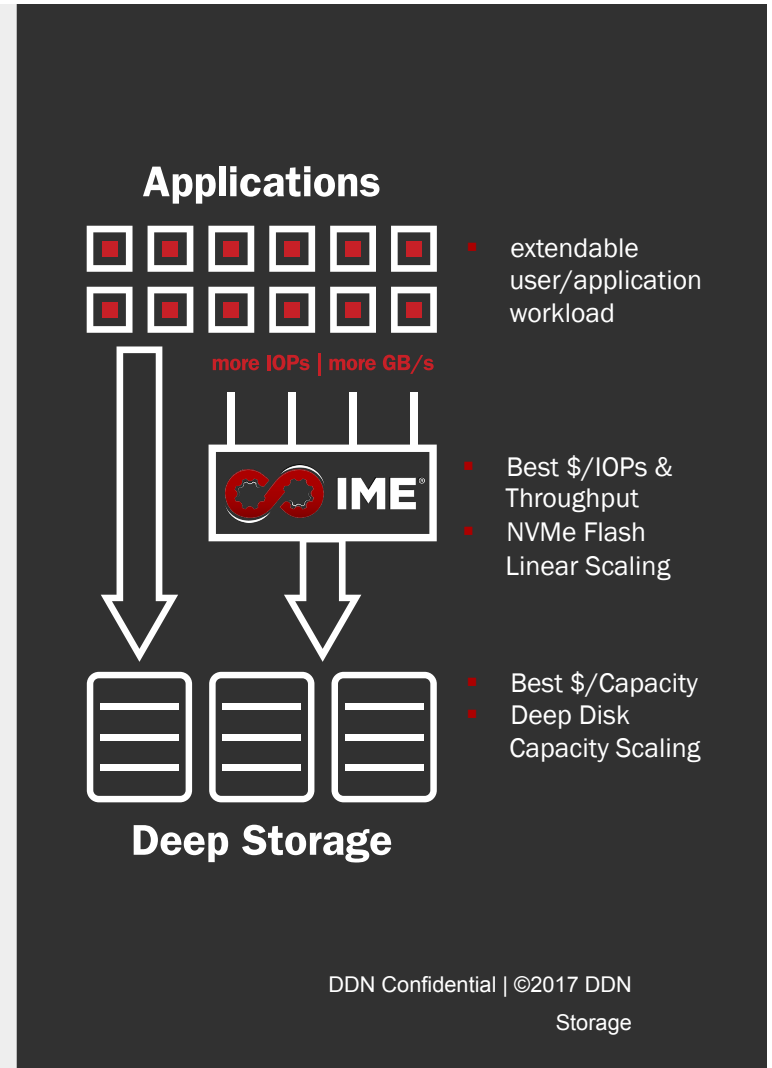
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Storage

IME

Scale-Out NVMe Flash.

- Protects data against device and node failures and intelligently and transparently manages data movement
- Wirespeed-fast on RDMA and TCP networks for Reads and Writes
- Filesystem IOPS scales infinitely with zero penalty for file sharing

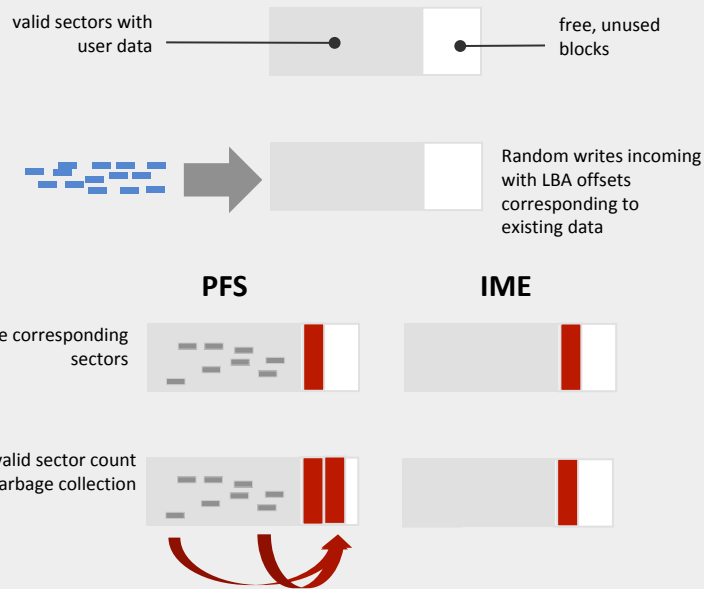


Maximize Flash Endurance

Traditional file systems overwrite the same blocks.

Incur costly garbage collection.

Hurts performance and NVME lifetime



IME never overwrites physical blocks.

IME manages NVMe to reduce garbage collection.

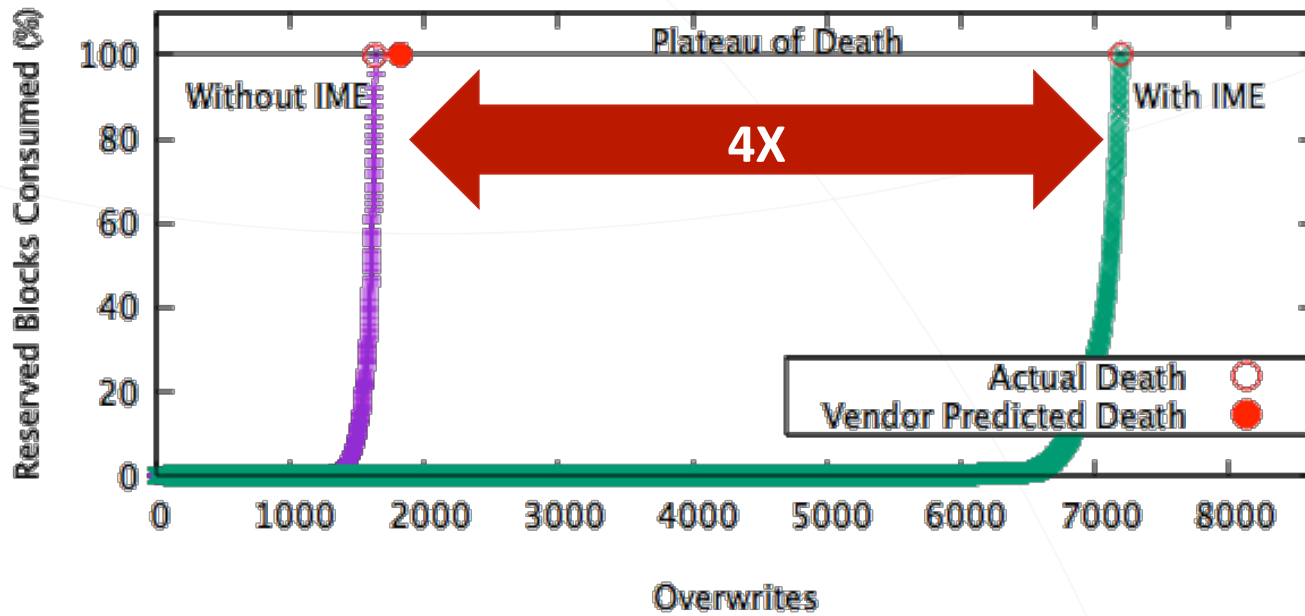
IME transforms small random into large sequential.

Improves performance and lifetime.

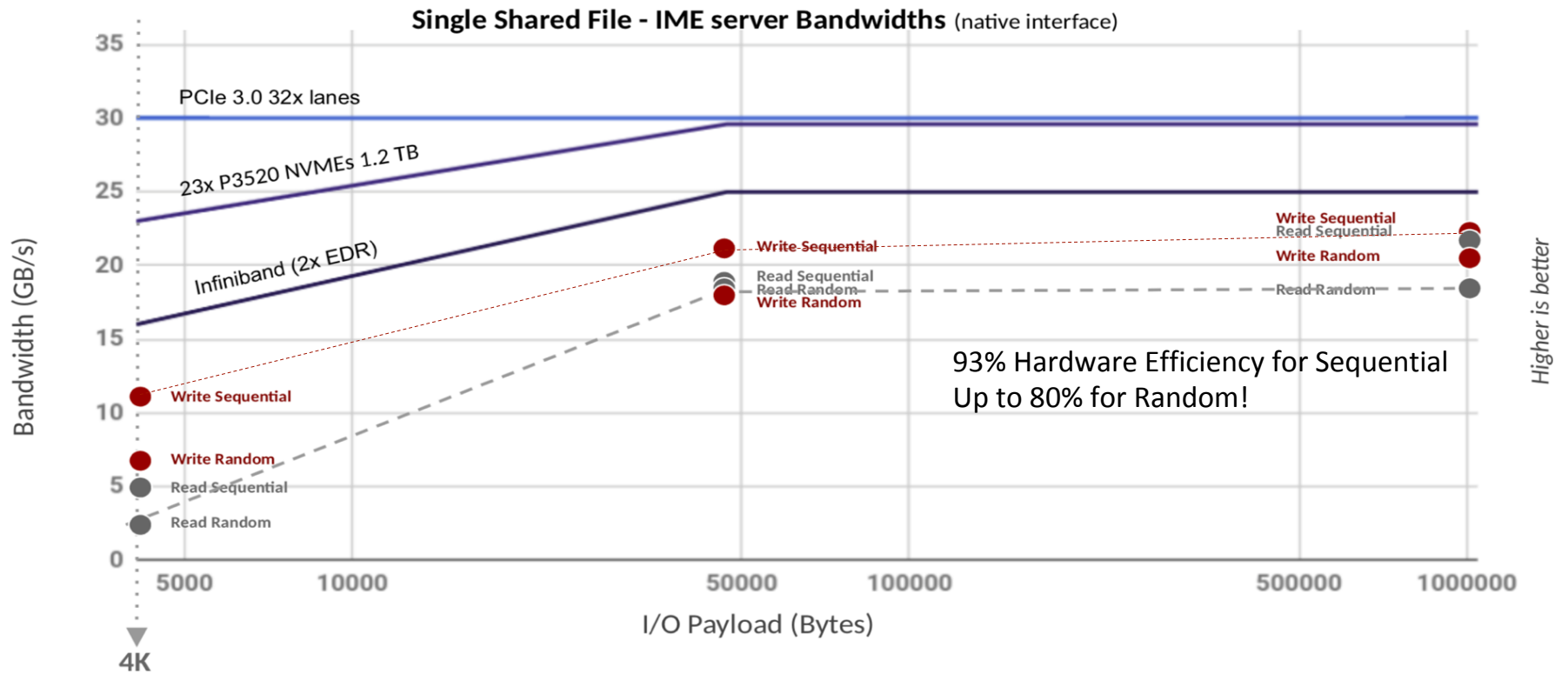


LONG-LASTING FULL FLASH POTENTIAL FOR YOUR WORKFLOWS

MAXIMIZE FLASH ENDURANCE



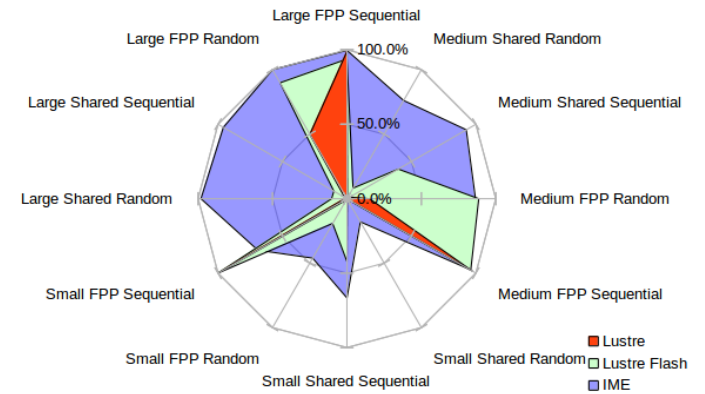
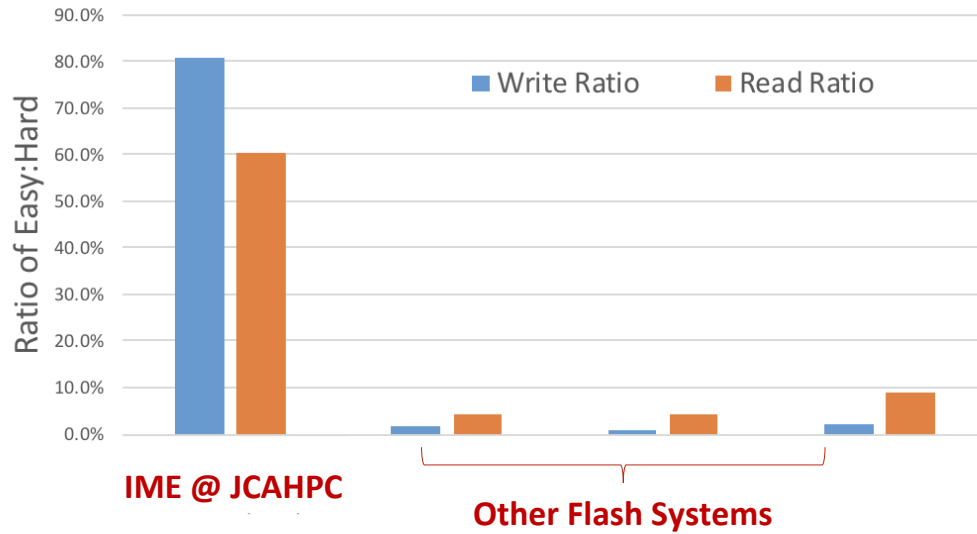
MAXIMIZE FLASH PERFORMANCE



MAXIMIZE FLASH USABILITY

IO500 Results

Ratio of Easy:Hard (systems with 100 clients or more)



HOW DOES IME HELP?

Analytics, Big Data & Machine Learning

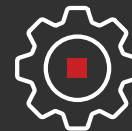
- Analytical workloads are characterized by read-intensive, random IO over very large datasets
- Normal caching techniques are not scalable enough to cope with 10's or 100's of TBs of data
- IME Scale-out cache allows you to maintain even PB's of hot data in flash cache.
- Random Reads served at 600K IOPs in 2U



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**Efficient random read
direct to scale-out flash**



**Move large datasets into
scale-out flash cache**



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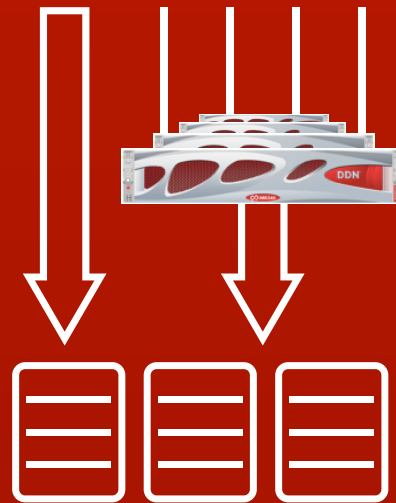
IME

Machine Learning, at Scale.

- Use Case** Large Scale, multiple DGX (or Apollo6500 HP or Supermicro...)
- Customer Pain Points** Coping with hot vs cool datasets managing economics at massive scale. Ensuring consistent scalable performance. Managing data movements
- DDN Solution** IME with ES/GS14KX HDD
- DDN differentiation** Ideal match of topology to requirement. Strong, Fast Native data management features across tiers. Super scalable performance flash tier and capacity tier
- Actual Win** T.B.D. Life Sciences
- Actions for Sales** Write up/share references, partner with your local NVidia Sales, know the high level pitch for ES DGX Solution, Talk to Nvidia Rental Partners (SCAN)



CPU/GPU Scale-Out Nodes



Meet shared file demanding random IO workloads with scale out flash

Great APIs, parallel data movements, managed consistency

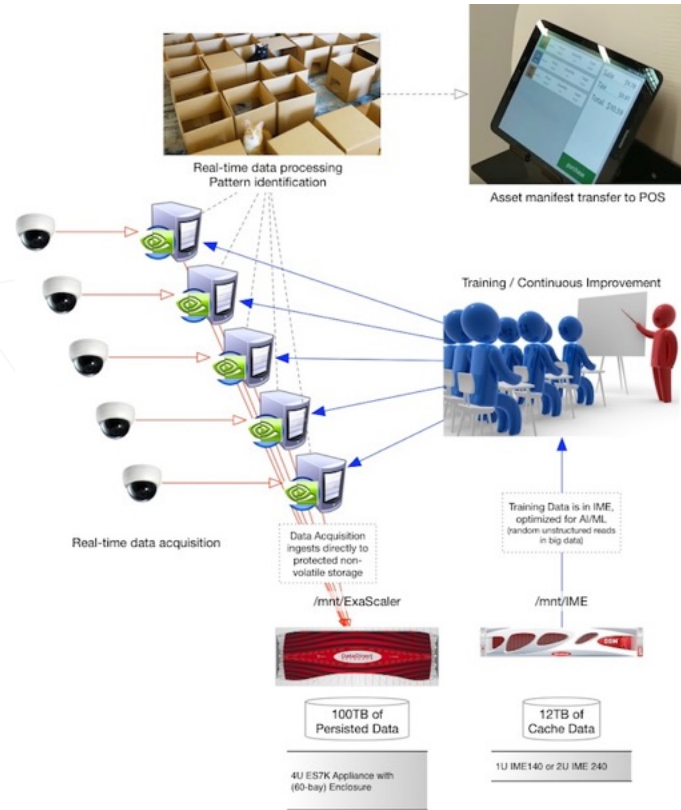
High Density ES14KX-based HDD provides a scalable cost optimized data lake

Large Capacity GS

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Storage

STANDARD COGNITION - REAL TIME CONSUMER DETECTION & BILLING



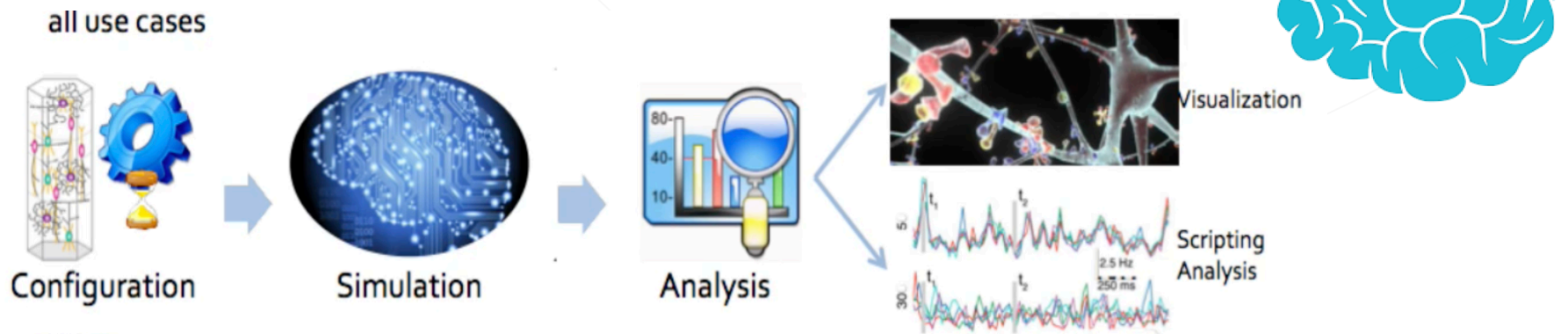
AUTOMATED CHECKOUT

Customer Needs

Cameras identify shoppers and bill them real time. Hosting on site.

- Continuous Data Acquisition
- Ease of deployment/Integration
- Low-latency On-Prem Flash Tier

EPFL HUMAN BRAIN PROJECT



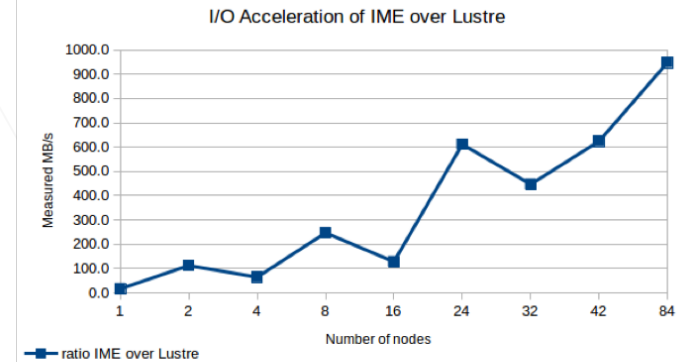
SIMULATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THE HUMAN BRAIN

Three Core Focuses

- Neuroscience, Medicine, Computing

Four IME nodes at EPFL

- Simpler, faster, more efficient science
 - Storage redendered transparent
- Scientists focus on science
- NeuroMap application 1000 X Speedup



JCAHPC

DATA AT SCALE FOR JAPAN'S LARGEST SUPERCOMPUTER

IME on Oakforest-PACS

**#5 Supercomputer on Top 500
#1 Storage System on IO 500**

Diverse University Applications

- Lattice Quantum Chromodynamics
- Ab-initio Real-Time Electron Dynamics Simulator (ARTED)
- Atmosphere and ocean coupling
- Earthquake simulations using GAMERA/GOJIRA
- First-order optical material science simulations



Diverse applications require storage that doesn't need tuning

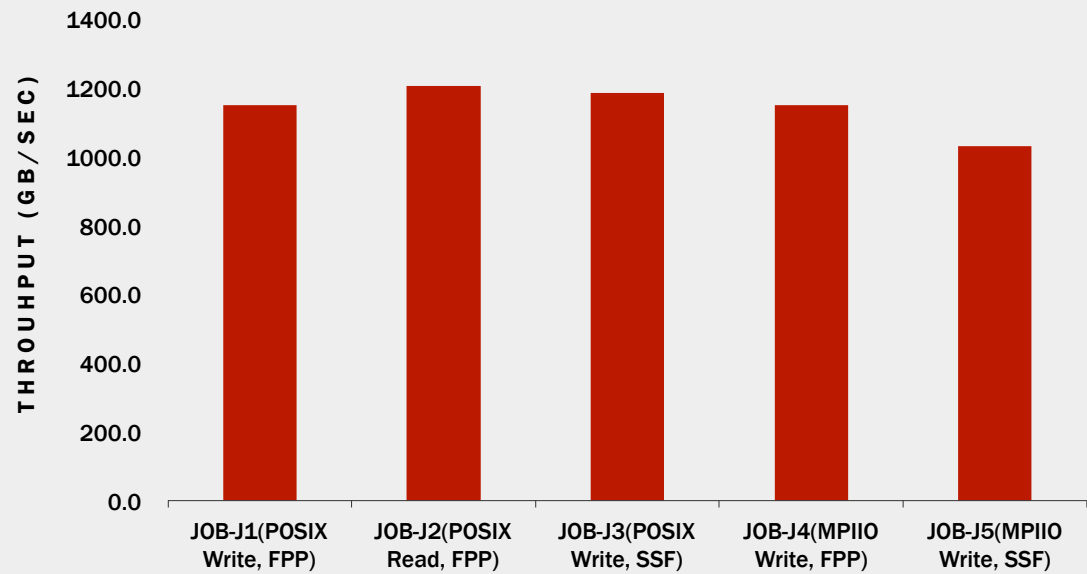
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IME at Scale

- Real world implementation of around 2 racks of IME
- ~1PB Flash
- Lustre Backing Filesystem
- Measured 1.2 TB/s
- Both File per Process AND
- Single Shared File

IME PERFORMANCE WITH IOR



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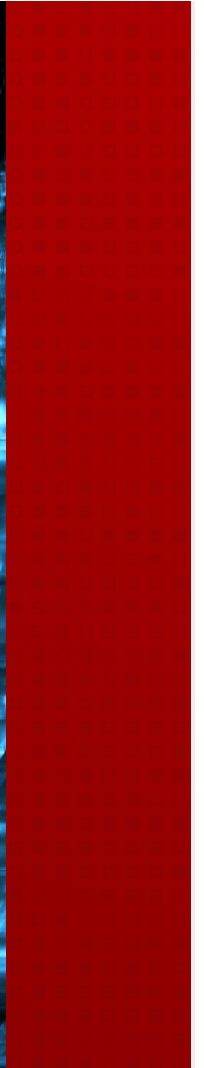
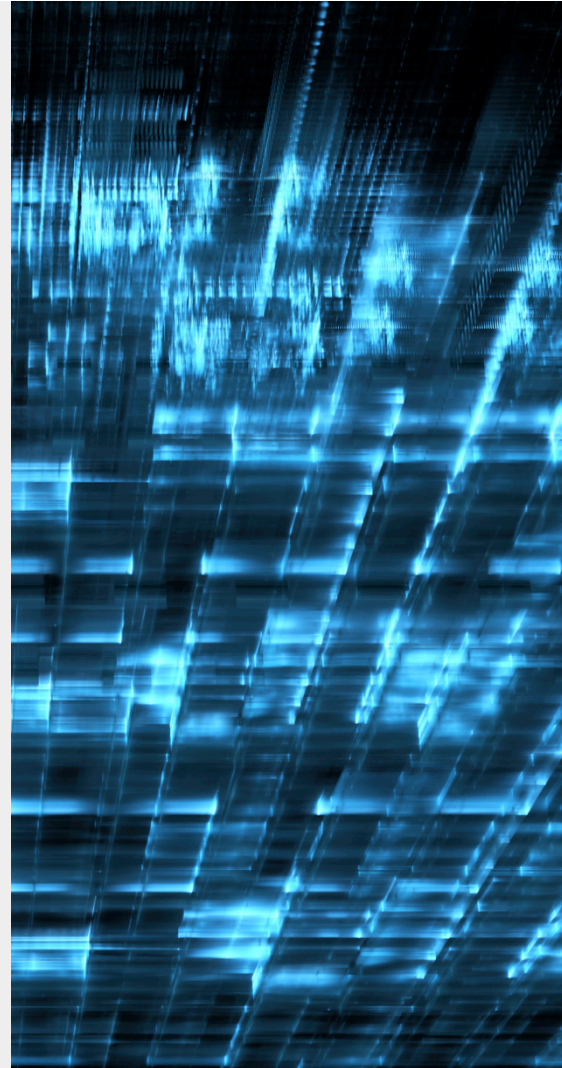


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Reservoir Simulation Study

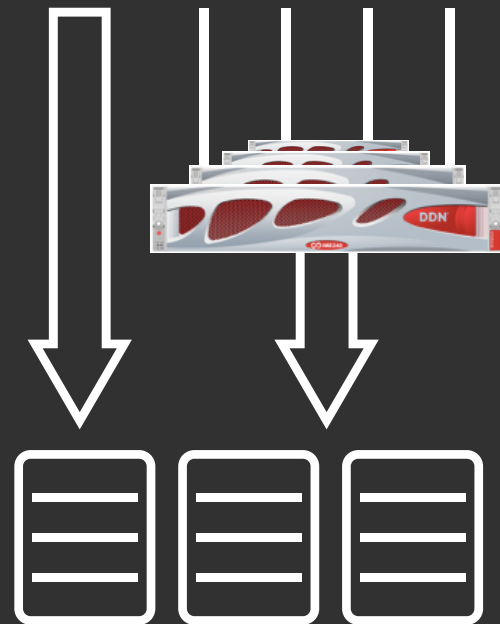
Real-world reservoir simulation study comparing large HDD-based GRIDScaler against a 4-node IME240 system

Varying job count (1,2), Model Size (50M, 100M, 200M), number of writers (50,100,200), etc across 50 compute nodes

4-5x IO time reductions with IME – speedup improves with concurrency



Reservoir Simulation



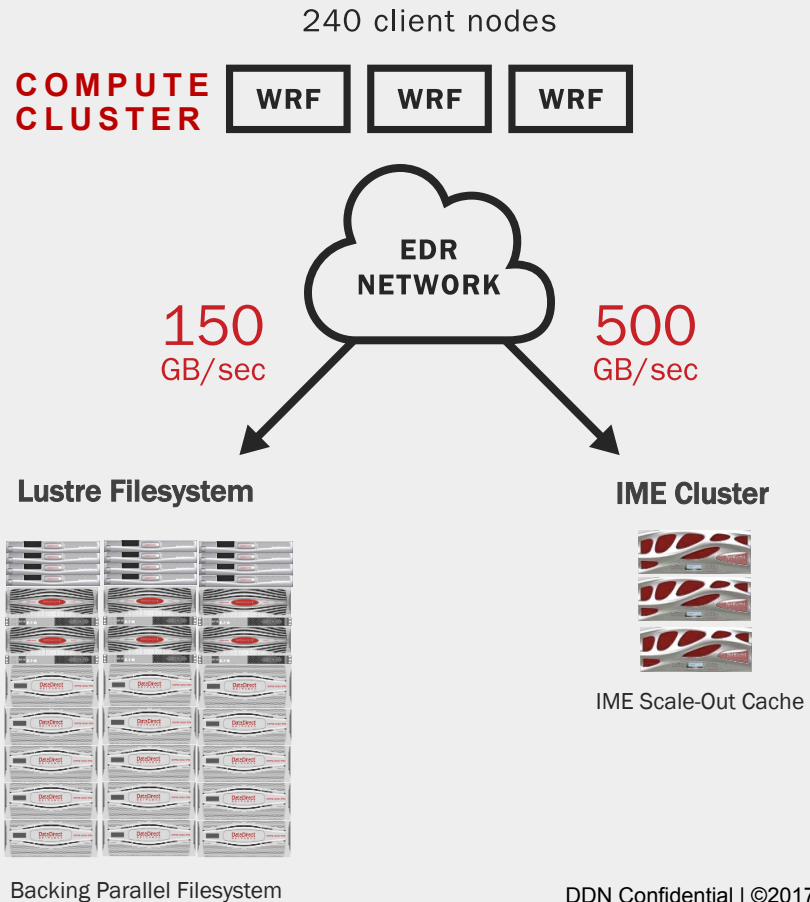
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WRF ON IME

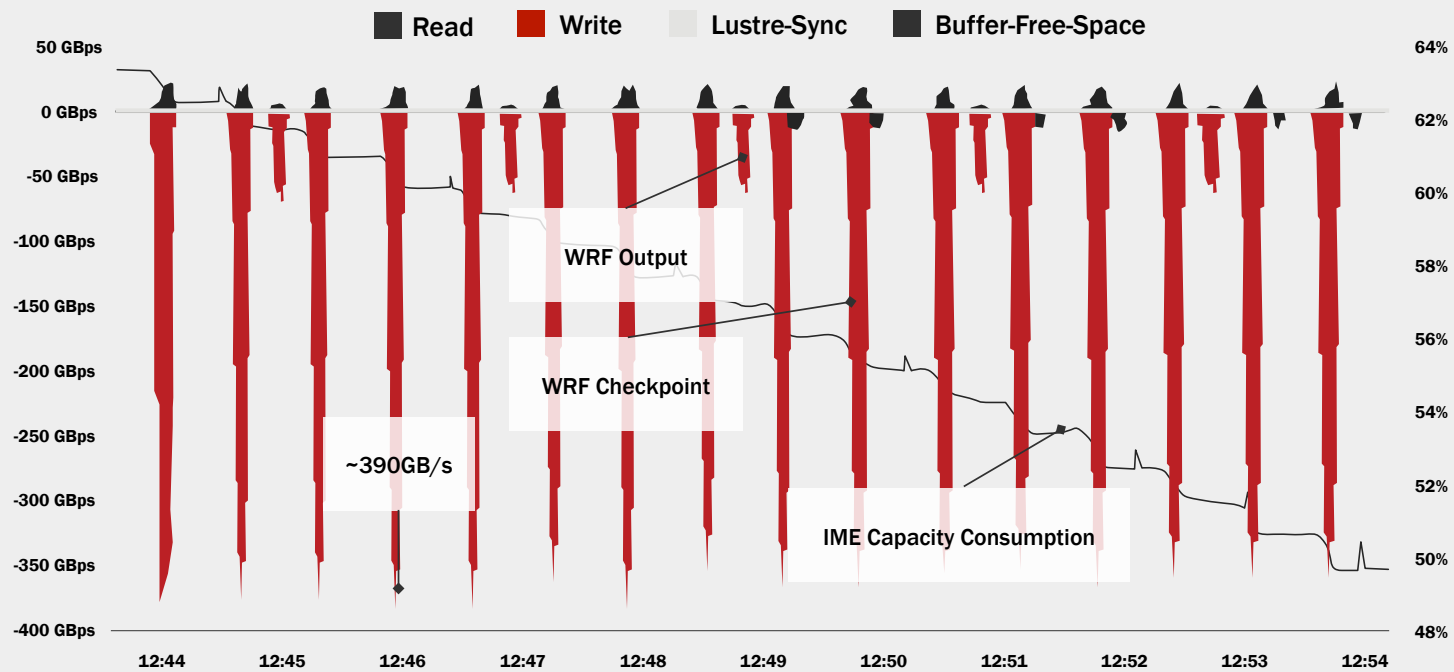
Weather Code Performance

Simulating Ensemble runs of WRF – multiple jobs executing concurrently

3.8x I/O Speedup versus Lustre Filesystem in 1/20th RU and 1/10th Power Envelope



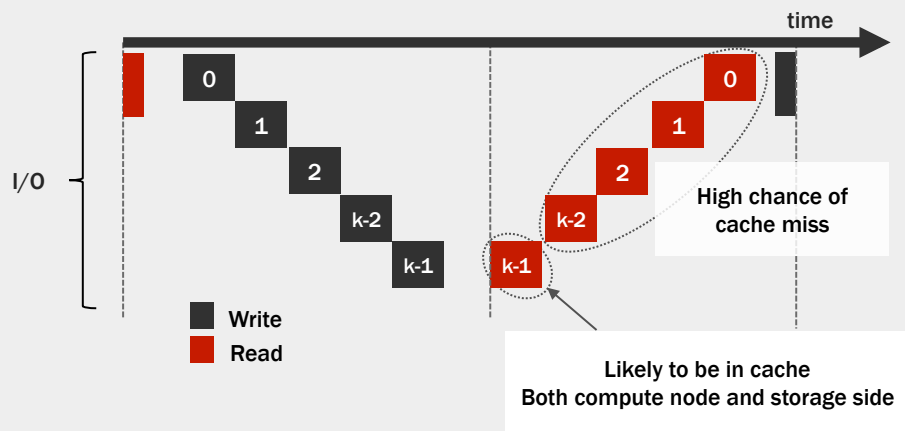
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Oil and Gas | Seismic

IME expands the cache volume from GBs to PBs and eliminates cache misses associated with Reverse Time Migration IO patterns



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TORTIA (Reverse Time Migration Code)

Seismic datasets are too large for RAM. IME delivers Reverse Time Migration speed ups 5-50x with IME over PFS

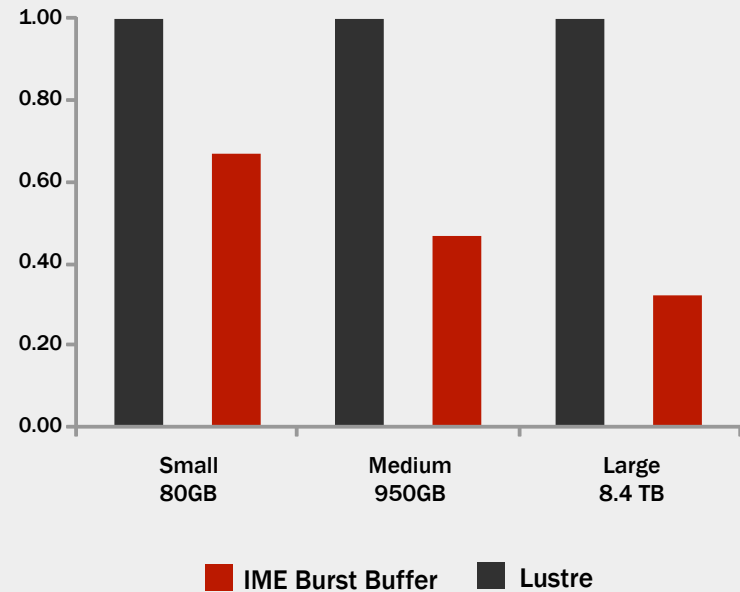
Other Novel solutions don't deliver the combination of performance, ease-of-use and capacity that and IME solution delivers

10x

Speedup in IO time

3x

Speedup in run time



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Performance Consistency

File systems, particularly with HDDs can exhibit extremely long tails for the completion of the last I/O. Typically an application only cares about completion of the last I/O

IME exhibits extremely consistent I/O times without the long tail effect that impacts applications.

