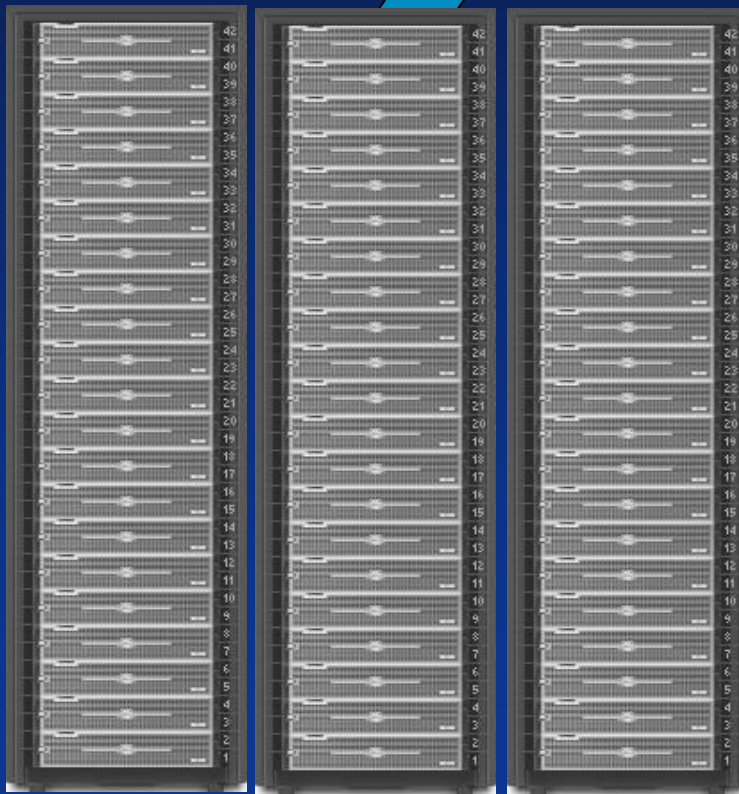


Preparing Enterprise Flash Drives (EFDs) for Prime Time

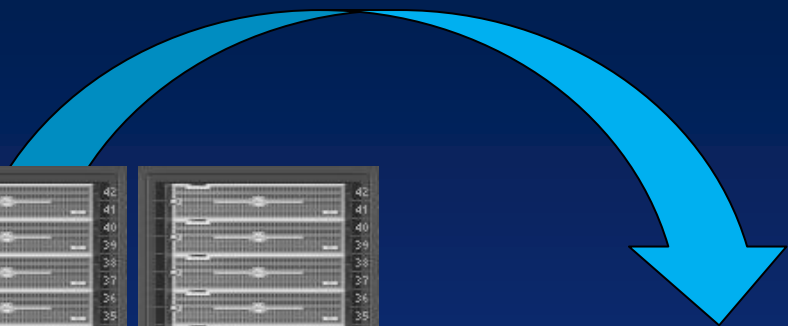
“Do More For Less”

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Simple Proposition: Do More For Less



Traditional: 1000s x HDDs



Efficient: Fewer HDD+EFD



Benefits:

- Better Performance
- Smaller Footprint
- 2X Lower Costs
- 9X Lower Power

Example: Order Entry System

TPC-C Benchmark:

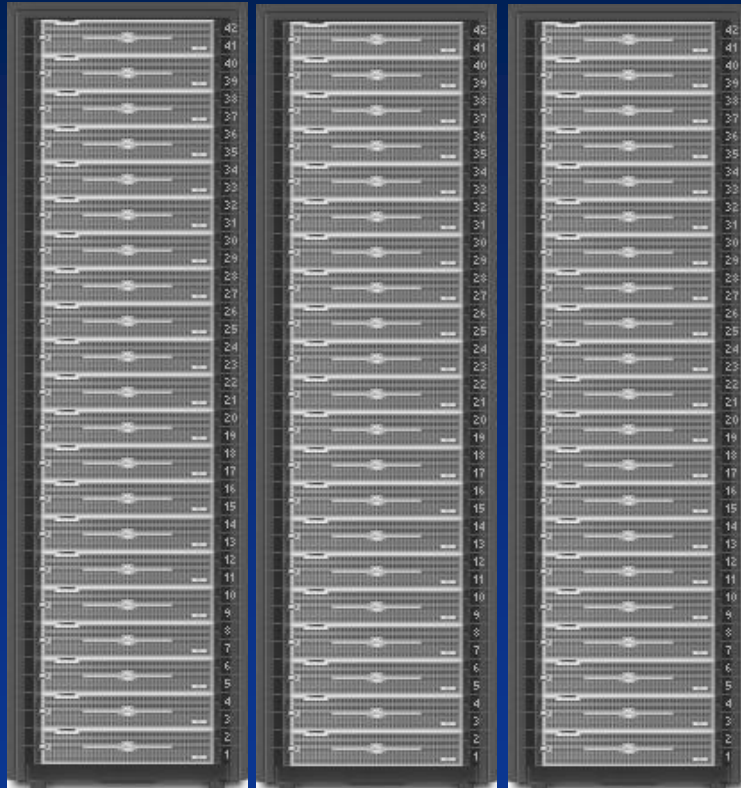
Order-entry system with transactions including entering and delivering orders, recording payments, checking the status of orders, and monitoring the level of stock at the warehouses

Requirements

- 640,000 transactions/minute
- 320,000 IOPS
- 18 TB database



Current HDD Solution = High Cost/High TCO



- 40 Rack mount shelves
- 1000 36GB HDD's
- 15K RPM
- >\$450K Purchase price
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Enterprise Flash Drive (EFD)

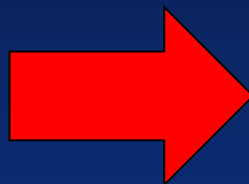
- High Performance: >100,000 IOPS
 - 24x7 duty cycle with flexibility for peak demands
- Reliable: 2M hours MTBF and >10¹⁶ data integrity
- Energy Efficient: >20,000 IOPS/watt
- High performance interface: FC or SAS
- Fit existing infrastructure and no software changes

New Approach for Storage Solutions

Traditional

Current Approach

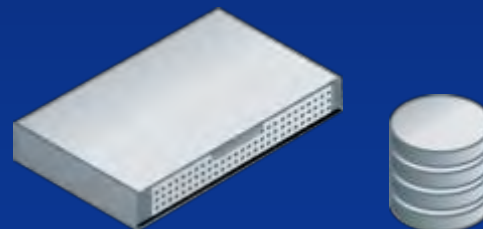
- Spread 'hot' data across all HDD's
- 15K RPM HDD's
- Short stroke HDD's
- Over provision HDD's
- Low capacity HDD's



Innovation

EFD+HDD Approach

- Storage tiers:
 - 'Hot' data on EFD's
- 7K or 10K RPM HDD's
- Full Stroke HDD's
- High capacity HDD's



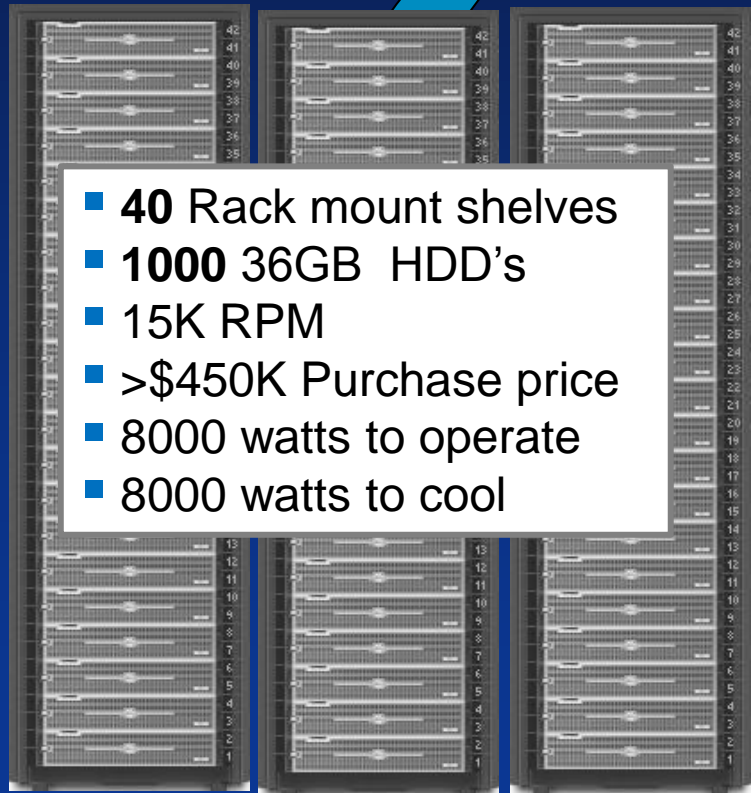
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Total Cost	\$450,000	\$225,000
\$/IOP	\$1.41	\$0.72
\$/GB	\$25.00	\$11.00
Power to Operate & Cool	16,000 watts	2,000 watts
Power Eff. (IOPS/Watt)	20	158

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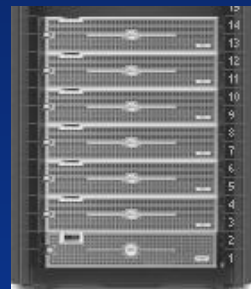


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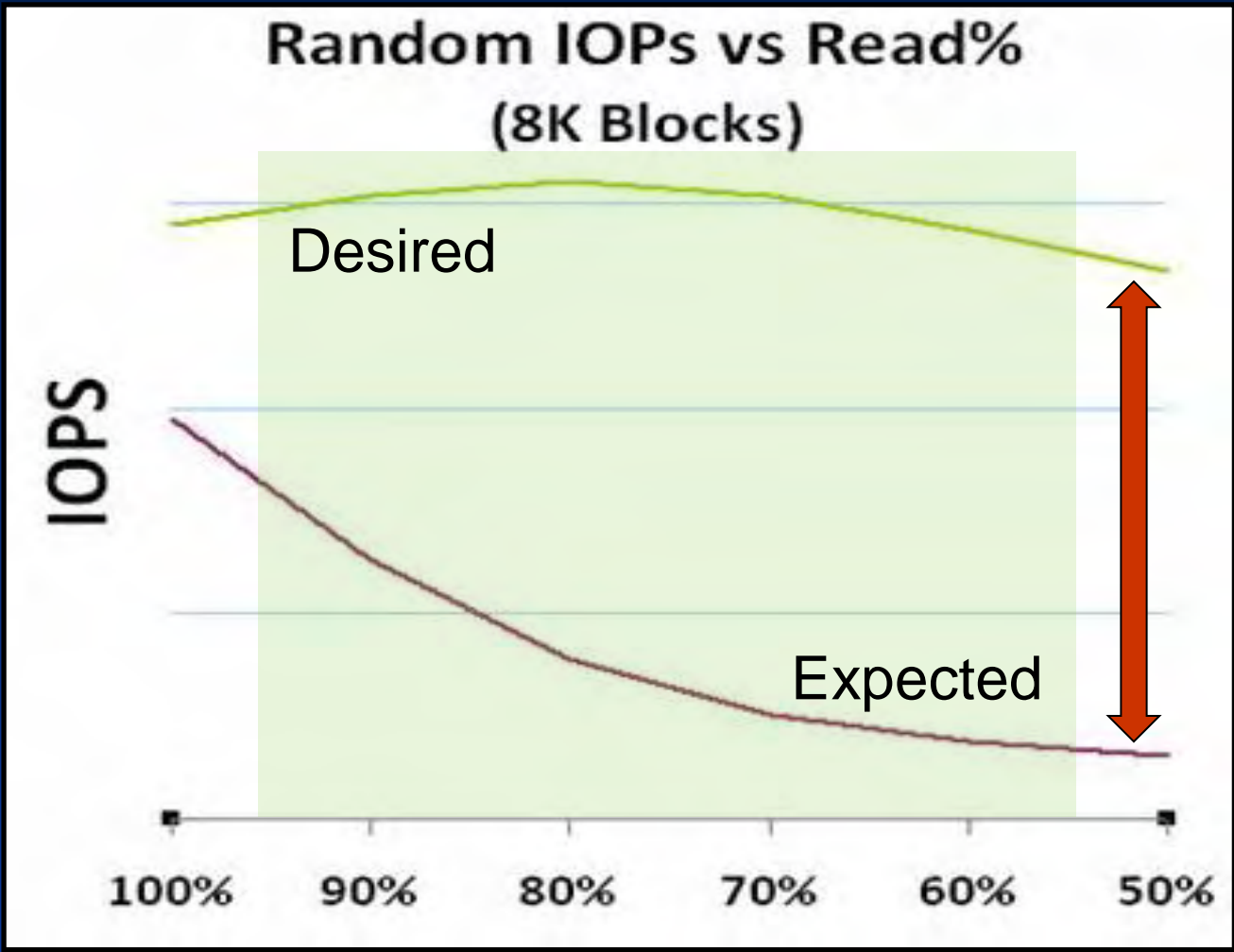


- 6 Rack mount shelves
- 105 147GB 10K RPM HDD's
- 20 EFD's
- <\$225K Purchase price
- 1000 watts to operate
- 1000 watts to cool

Prime Time for the Enterprise?

- Performance: The ROI must be VERY compelling
 - >100x Performance for 10x \$\$\$
- Predictable for Enterprise Workload “Range”
 - Read/Write Mix from 95/5 to 50/50
- Improved Device and Data Reliability:
 - 2M hours MTBF and $>10^{16}$ UBER data integrity
- No Limitations on Write Operations

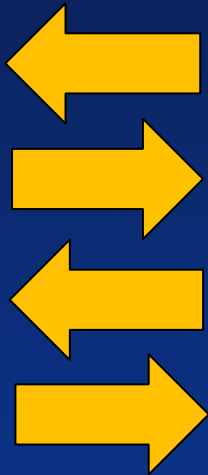
Desired vs. Expected Profile



Advantage of SAS (vs SATA)



SAS
Dual Port
Full Duplex



SATA
Single Port
Half Duplex

- Simultaneous Writing & Reading
- 4X the Link Bandwidth

Enterprise Flash Drives for Prime Time

Value = “Do More For Less”

- More Performance = Better ROI
 - Predictable across range of R/W mix
- More Reliability = Lower TCO
 - Both data and device improvements
- No Restrictions = No Changes Required
 - No restrictions on workload or usage
 - No software modifications