XP and EVA fundamentals and case studies

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HP StorageWorks The industry's most complete array portfolio



eva5000



Enterprise Modular <35 T Bytes

- Storage consolidation
- + disaster recovery
- Simplification through virtualization
- Windows, HP-UX, Linux, + more



XP

Enterprise Frame <149 T Bytes

- Data center consolidation
 + disaster recovery
- Large scale Oracle/SAP applications
- HP-UX, Windows, + 20 more including mainframe

eva3000



Midrange Modular <8 T Bytes

- Mid—sized
 DB/Remote office applications
- Simplification through virtualization
- Windows, HP-UX, Linux, + more



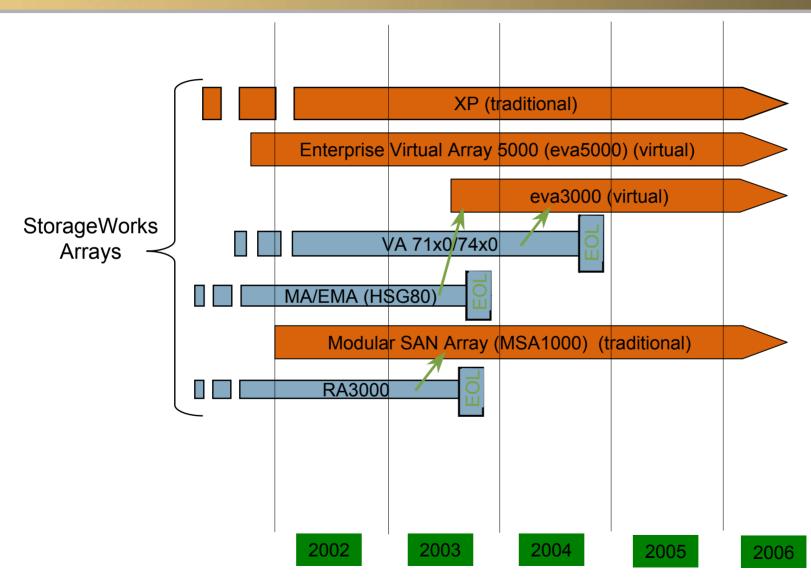
MSA1000

Low Cost SAN <6 T Bytes

- WEB, Exchange, SQL
- Simple DAS-to-SAN (Proliant)
- Windows, Linux,
 Netware + more

HP storage arrays long-term roadmap

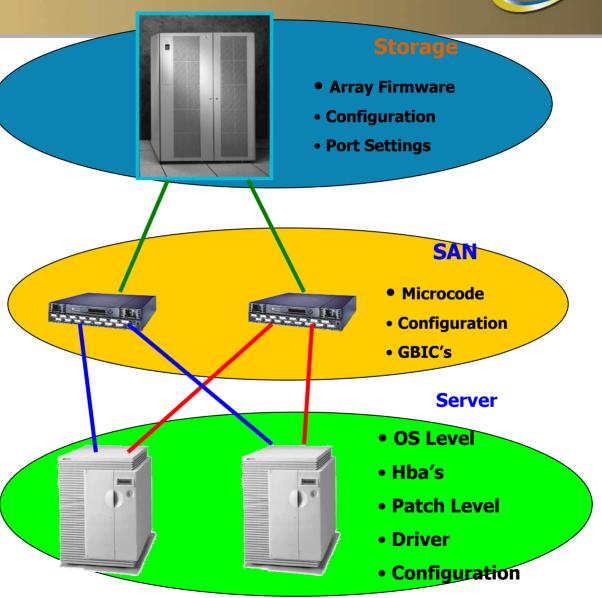




HP SAN Testing Strategy



HP Certifies each level of the Storage "food Chain". This eliminates the guesswork other vendors subject their customers to. We do this for both HP and Non-HP products



the EVA and XP family - supported operating systems



	eva3000	eva5000	xp128	xp1024
HP-UX				
Tru64				
SGI-IREX				
Windows NT / 2000				
Solaris				
AIX				
Open VMS				
Linux (Intel)	*	*		
Netware	*	*	*	*
Windows 2003 (.NET)				
MPE/iX				
Mainframe				

^{*} single path initially



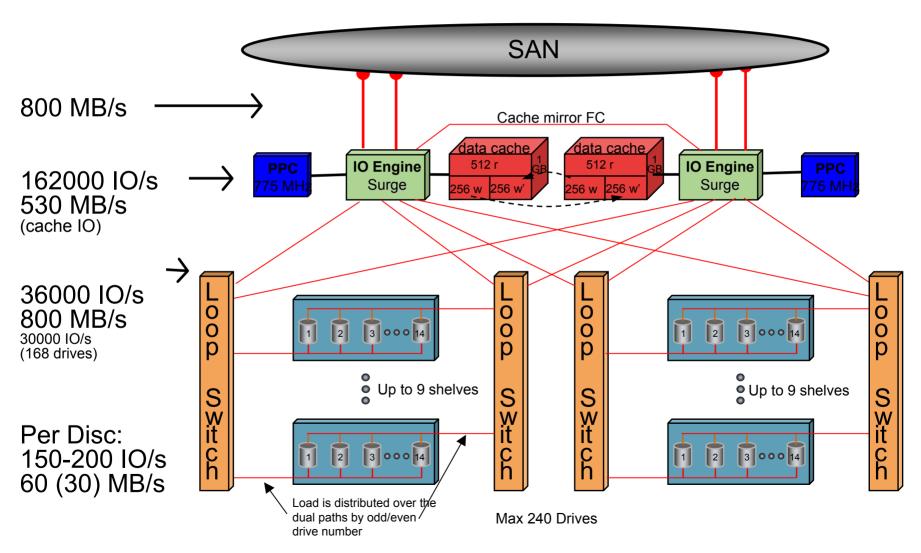
EVA3000/5000

EVA3000/5000 hardware comparison





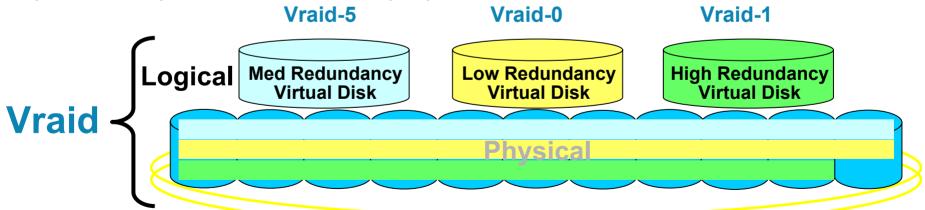
EVA Architecture



EVA's Vraid Bringing RAID to the next level



- JIT dynamic/seamless disk volume expansion
- avoidance of any "hot" spindles
- elimination of stranded capacity
- faster parity reconstruction
- automatic load redistribution upon pool expansion
- virtual hot sparing
- pool free space used for Vsnap update Writes



automated virtual disk placement and management by attributes (redundancy level, size - up to 2 TB)

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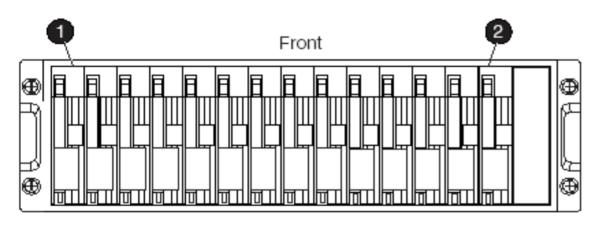


- EVA 3000 Hardware
 - HSV100 controllers
 - Two 2Gbit Copper Back-end loops
- M3200 Controller Enclosure
- M5114 Drive Enclosures
- 2 4 drive shelves
- Drives
 - 36GB 10K and 15K rpm FC disk
 - 72GB 10K and 15K rpm FC disk
 - 146GB 10K rpm FC disk
- Up to 56 drives
- No loop switch required

- EVA 5000 Hardware
 - HSV110Controllers
 - Four 2Gbit Optical Back-end loops
 - M3220 Controller Enclosure
 - M5214 Drive Enclosure
 - 2 18 drive shelves
 - Drives
 - 36GB 10K and 15K rpm FC disk
 - 72GB 10K and 15K rpm FC disk
 - 146GB 10K rpm FC disk
 - Up to 240 drives
 - Supports loop switches

disk enclosure





Rear

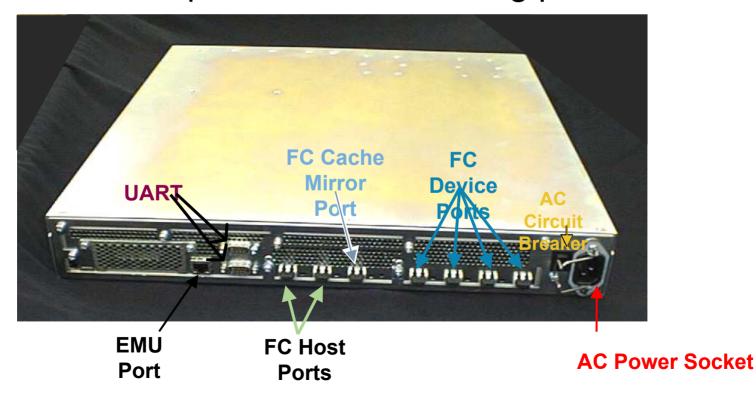
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- Orive bay 1
- Orive bay 14
- EMU
- Ø I/O module B
- Blower 1
- 6 Power supply 1
- Blower 2
- Power supply 2
- I/O module A
- Dual redundant copper FC loops, power supplies and fans. No SPOF
- Minimum 2 shelves and maximum 4 shelves
- Capacities of 8 to 56FC drives for the EVA 3000
- Capacities of 8 to 240 drives for the EVA 5000

HSV110 controller enclosure - rear view



- 1-GB cache per controller-mirrored write cache
 - battery backup (up to 96 hours)
- Dedicated 2-Gbps FC cache mirroring port



EVA 3000/5000



EVA 3000/5000 backend comparison



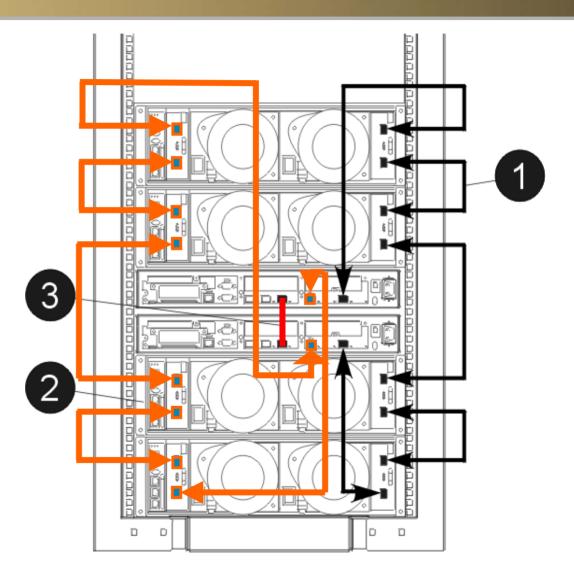
EVA3000 loop configuration – 2C4D



- 1. Cable
- 2. FC drive enclosure
- 3. Controller-to-controller

2C4D Config

2 Controllers 4 Drive shelves Up to 56 Drives

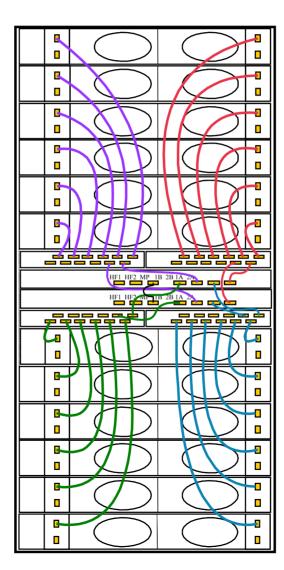


EVA5000 loop configuration - 2C12D with FC loop switches



2C12D Config

2 Controllers
4 FC Loop Switches
12 Drive shelves
Up to 168 Drives



EVA 3000/5000



EVA 3000/5000 software and OS support



EVA 3000 vs EVA 5000: Software



- Command View EVA 3000
 - user interface for managing the EVA 3000
- Virtual Controller Software (VCS)
 - HSV 100 VCS V2.004
- Optional Software
 - Secure Path
 - Business Copy EVA
 - Virtually Capacity-Free Snapshot (Vsnap)
 - Standard Snapshot (Snapshot)
 - Virtually Instantaneous Snapclone
 - Continuous Access EVA (DRM) 3Q2003

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 - Requires VCS V3.0

EVA 3000/5000

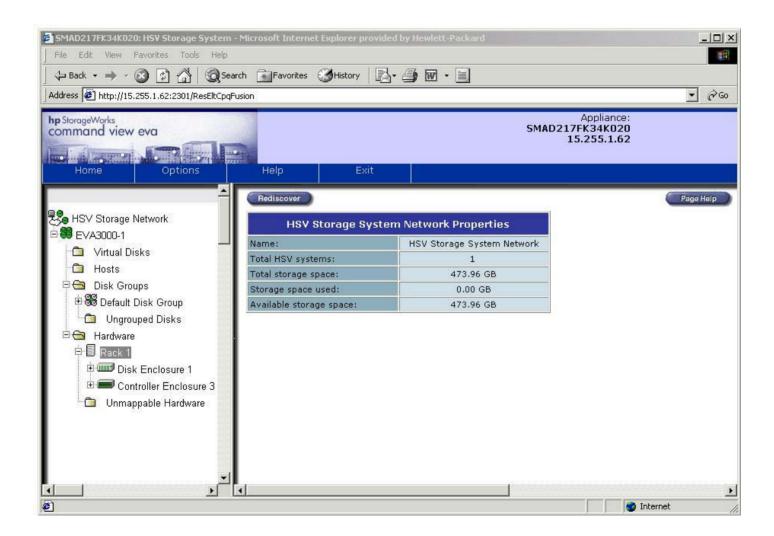


- Command View EVA V2.1
 - HSV110 and HSV100 controller management
 - EVA-Continuous Access (EVA 5000 only)
 - Previous called element Manager
- GUI to manage the EVA3000 and EVA5000
- Create disk groups
- Create virtual disks
 - Vraid level selection
 - cache write policy selection
 - host presentation
 - controller failover/failback
- Manage storage system hardware
- Create Snapclones and Snapshots of virtual disks



command view eva

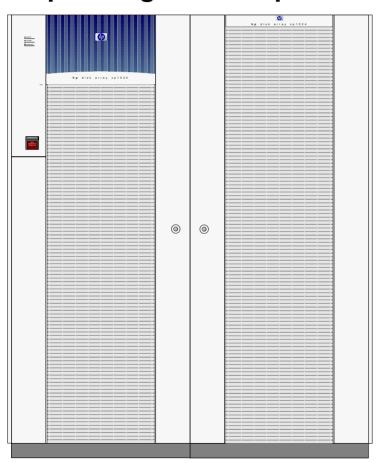




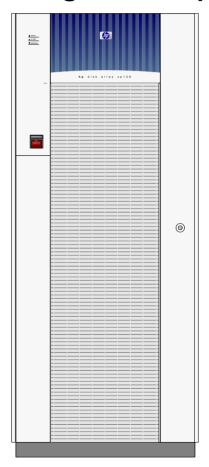
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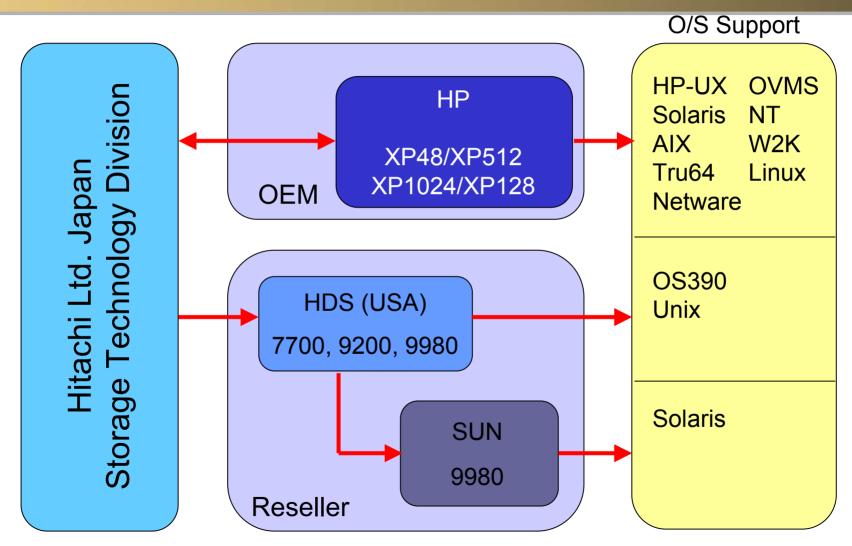


hp StorageWorks xp128



xp1024/128 - HP & Hitachi Partnership

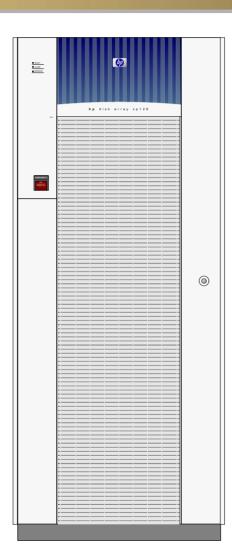




hp XP128



- Single cabinet
- Controllers in front
- Disks in back
- 4-128 disks



- RAID 1/0 2D+2D
- RAID 1/0 4D+4D
- RAID 5 3D+1P
- RAID 5 7D+1P

XP128 Performance Overview



Front-end Performance: 100% Cache Hits

- 375,000 (best case)
- 187,000 IO/sec (typical)
- 2,400 MB/sec

Back-end Performance:Cache Avoidance

- 27,000 IO/sec
- 1,100 MB/sec

CHIP Pair Limits:

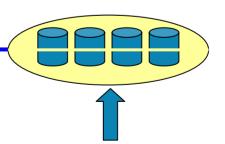
100% Cache Hits Cache Avoidance BACKEND

IO/sec 70.000

MB/sec 960 810

XP128

ACP Pair Limits: 16,000 IO/sec 570 MB/sec



Configuration: RAID 1, 32 Array Groups, 73GB Disks, 32 GB Cache, 1 and 2 ACPP, 1 and 2 CHIPP, 8 FC ports per CHIPP, FW rev. 13-02-09-00/00, N-Class Hosts, 8 Tachlite ports each; Random Performance: reads, 2k block size; Sequential Performance: reads, 64k block size. Note: ACPP-Limit and 1-Array Group tests are cache avoidance. All values in this overview are sustained.

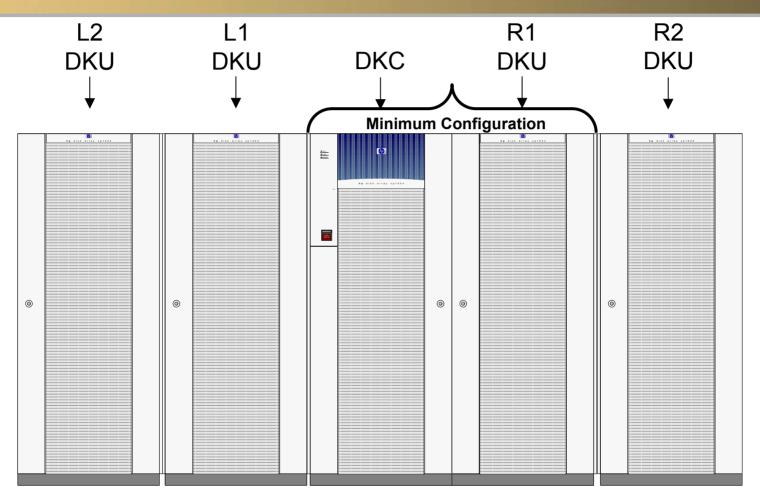
30,000

1 Array Group Limits: 850 IO/sec

90 MB/sec

hp XP1024





Multi Cabinet solution 4 to 1024 disks

XP1024 Performance Overview



Front-end Performance:

100% Cache Hits

- 500,000 (best case)
- 250,000 IO/sec (typical)
- 3,200 MB/sec

Back-end Performance:

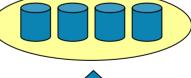
Cache Avoidance

- 57,000 IO/sec
- 2 GB/sec

XP1024

ACP Pair Limits: 16,000 IO/sec

570 MB/sec





100% Cache Hits Cache Avoidance BACKEND

30,000

810

CHIP Pair Limits:

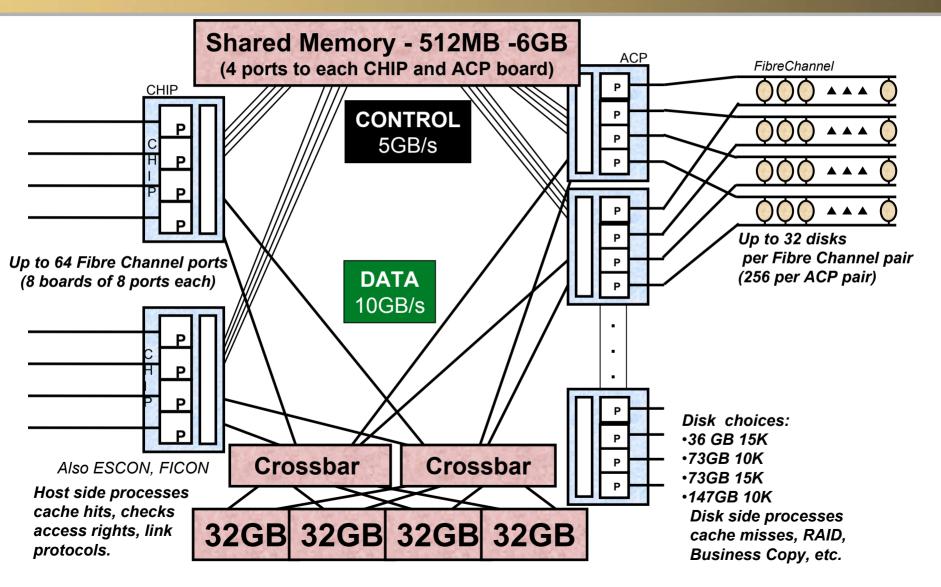
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hp XP1024 - Internal Architecture





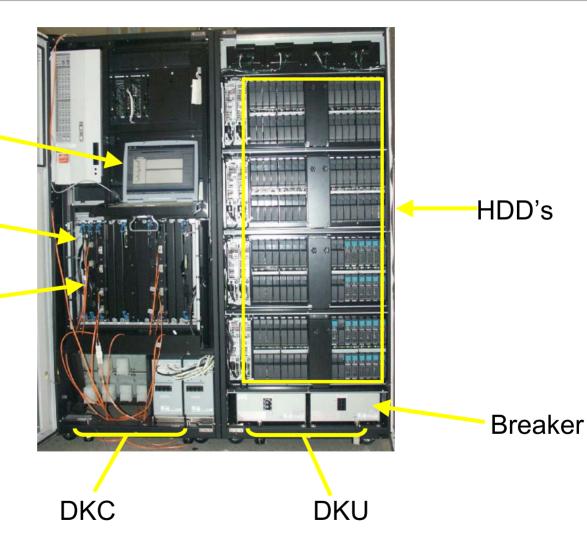
hp XP1024 - Physical View (front)



SVP

CHIP

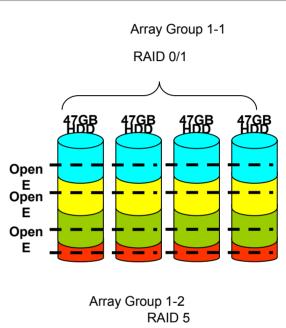
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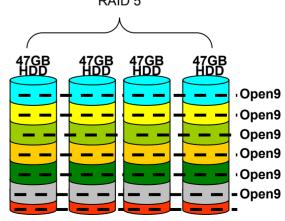




xp1024/128 - Array Groups

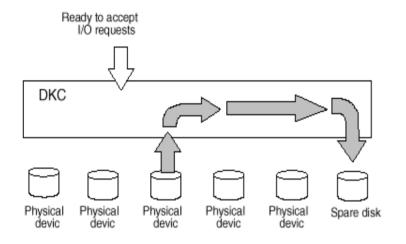
- XP Normal Volumes come in a predetermined "Emulation" sizes.
 - Normal Volume Emulation Types:
 OPEN-3/8/9/E/L/V
 - OPEN-3 = 2.3GB
 - OPEN-8 = 7.3GB
 - OPEN-9 = 7.4GB
 - OPEN-E = 14.5GB
 - OPEN-L = 36.5GB
 - OPEN-V = Variable sized volumes. Volumes can be created from 45M to 2TB





xp1024/128 - Dynamic Spare Disk



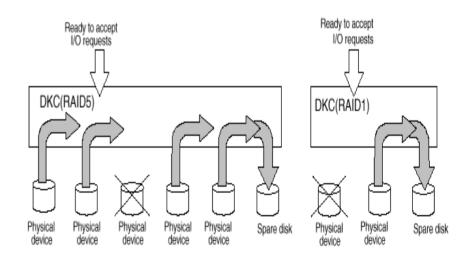


Dynamic sparing:

when the number of errors exceeds a pre-fixed threshold data is copied to the spare disk

Correction copy:

in case of unrecoverable error. Data is automatically reconstructed & placed on the spare disk





XP-1024/128

XP-1024/128 software and OS support



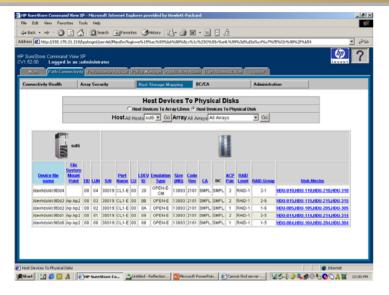


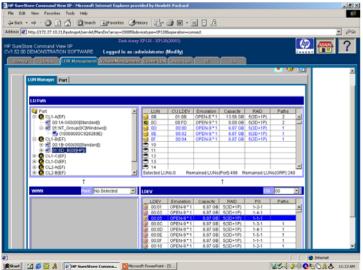
XP-1024/128 Software

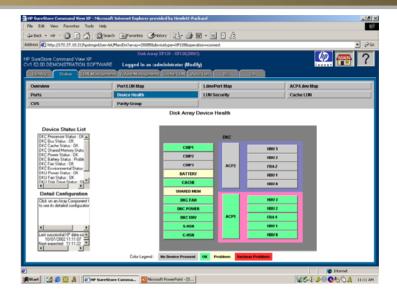
- Command View XP
- Performance Advisor XP
- AutoPath/Secure Path
- Business Copy XP
- Continuous Access XP
- Application Policy Manager
- Cache LUN XP

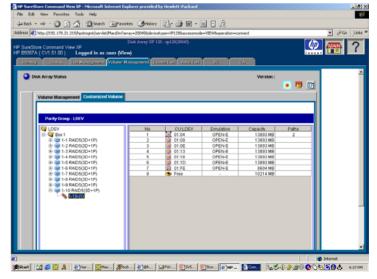


Command View



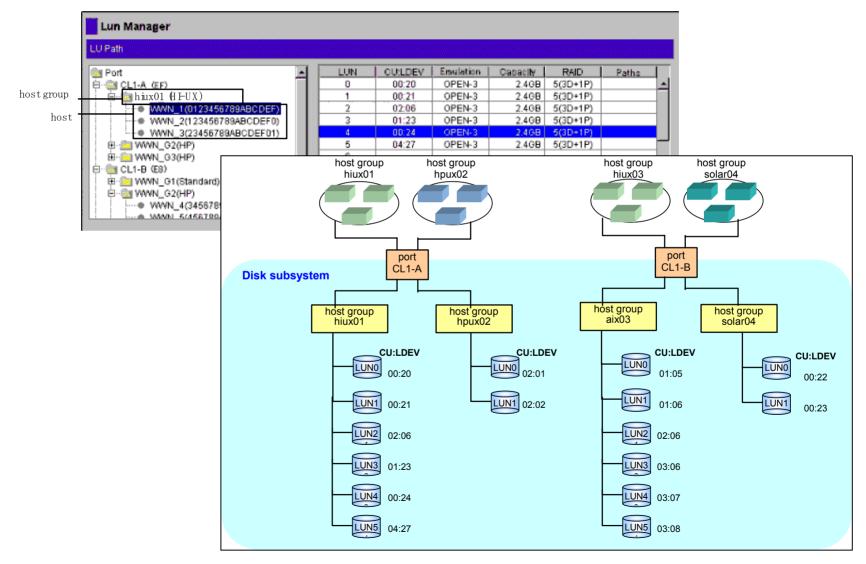






Command View/Host groups

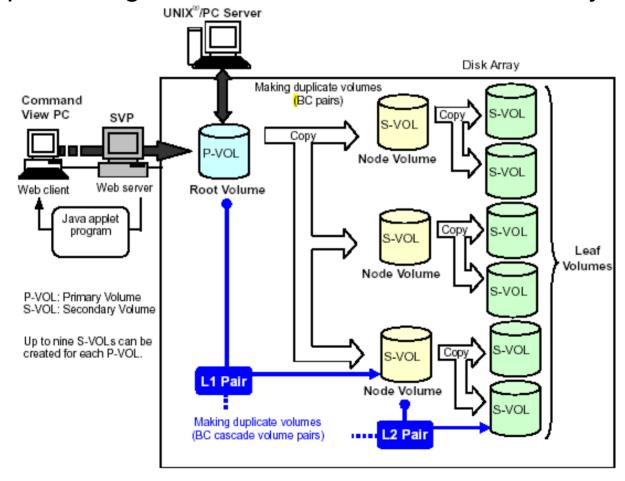




xp1024/128 - Business Copy XP



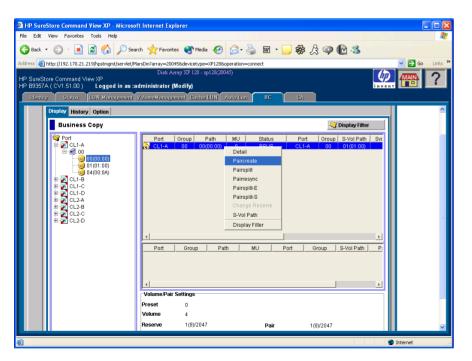
- Business Copy XP
- local copies of logical units within the same disk array

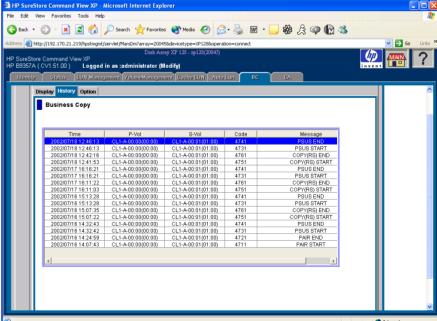




Business Copy GUI

- Business Copy XP through CV
- Historical data is maintained by CV

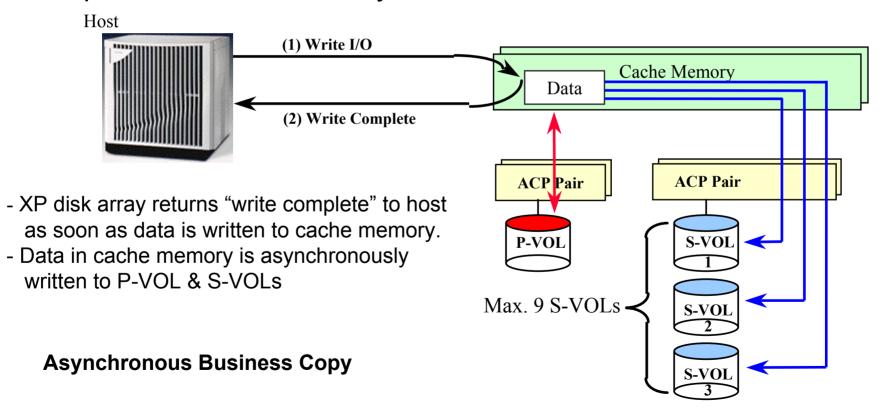




BC Asynchronous Write Detail



Asynchronous Write Access to Secondary volumes maintains performance to Primary volumes.



xp1024/128 - Continuous Access XP

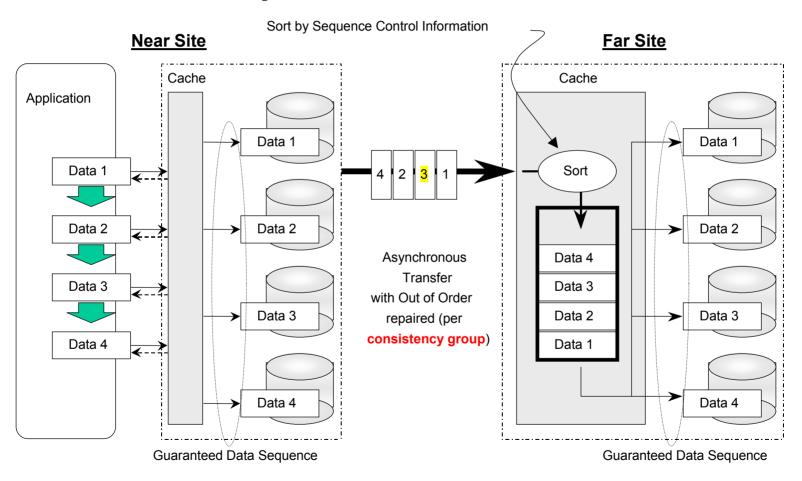


"Synchronous" Continuous Access P-VOL S-VOL

xp1024/128 - Async-CA Guaranteed Data Sequence



Asynchronous-CA Control

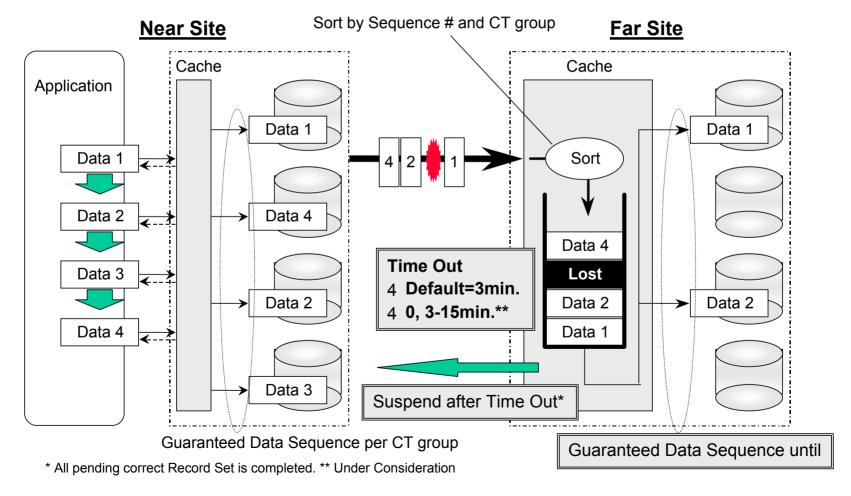


At far site, I/O #3 will be held until I/O #2 shows up

xp1024/128 - Async-CA Lost Data in Flight



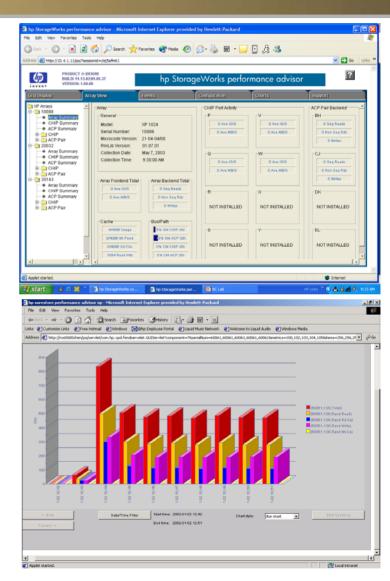
What of Lost Data in Flight?





Performance Advisor

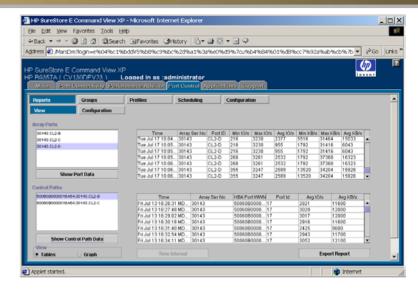
- Real time and historical performance reporting tool
- Can create charts to monitor resources based on
 - Hosts
 - Groups
 - Devices
 - And many more
- GUI and CLI
- Historical data stored in a database.

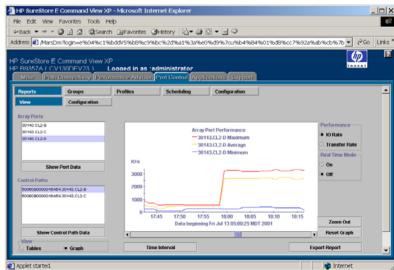




Application Policy Manager

- Enables users to better manage their storage environment by prioritizing and allocating available array performance
- Control the performance available to each HBA
- Prevent lower priority hosts from impacting high priority host
 - limited the maximum performance for lower priority hosts
- User defined profile to group hosts for easy management

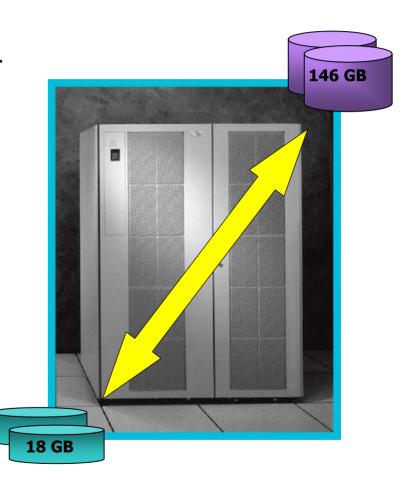




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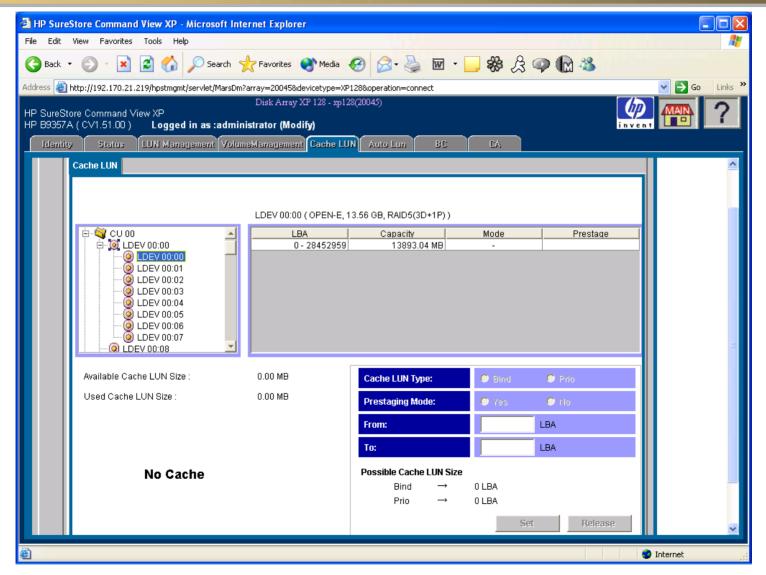
Auto LUN XP

- Allows the Array to suggest or control the appropriate type of storage space for your data.
- Has several modes of operation
 - recommend
 - automatic
- Can balance over several variables
 - Allows you to migrate between RAID 1/0 RAID5 devices.
- Also allows you to migrate between different spindle types.
- All changes are made without changing device files. This is done transparently to the connected servers





Cache LUN XP



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EVA and XP Configuration limitations

EVA 3000 Maximum operating parameters

- Up to 56 disks
- Up to seven disk groups
- Up to 512 Virtual disks
- Up to 8192 host presentations
- 256 LUNs/host HBA
- 1024 FC adapter (WWN) connections per array
- Up to seven snapshots per virtual disk
- V-RAID 0 1 or 5

XP128 Operating parameters

- 4 to 128 disks
- Up to 8192 Idevs
- Up to 8192 LUNs
- 4 to 24 CHIP ports
- 1 or 2 ACP pairs
- RAID1/0 2D+2D or 4D+4D
- RAID5 3D+1P or 7D+1P (with 2 ACP pair)
- Up to 64 GB Cache

EVA 5000 Maximum operating parameters

- Up to 240 disks
- Up to 16 disk groups
- Up to 512 Virtual disks
- Up to 8192 host presentations
- 256 LUNs/host HBA
- 1024 FC adapter (WWN) connections per array
- Up to seven snapshots per virtual disk
- V-RAID 0 1 or 5

XP1024 Operating parameters

- 4 to 1024 disks
- Up to 8192 Idevs
- Up to 8192 LUNs
- 4 to 64 CHIP ports
- 1 to 4 ACP pairs
- Up to 4 Disk cabinets on one controller cabinet
- RAID1/0 2D+2D or 4D+4D
- RAID5 3D+1P or 7D+1P (with 2 ACP pair min.)
- Up to 128 GB Cache

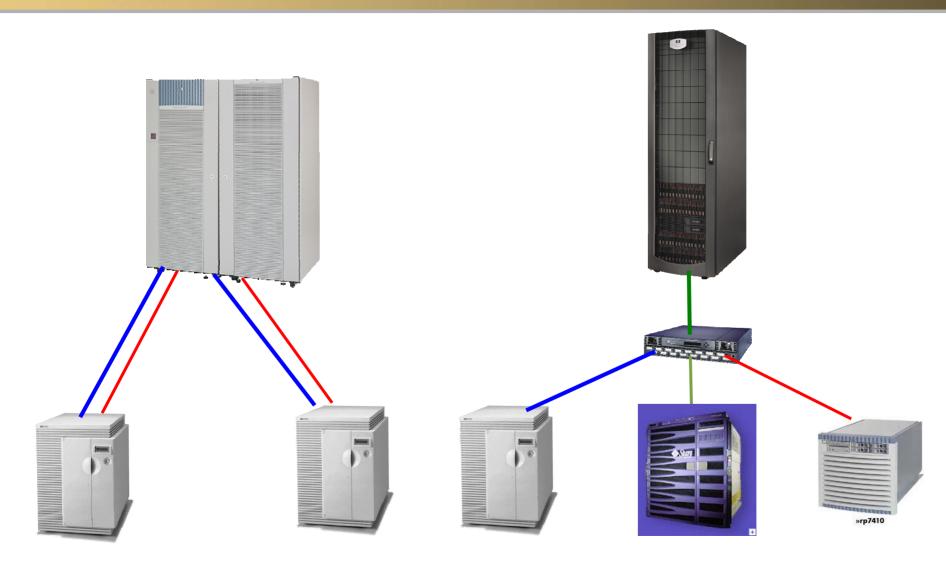


EVA and XP Comparison

- EVA and XP performance
 - EVA, High throughput direct to disk
 - Applications that utilize server buffer cache.
 - XP High cache hit rates (50 to 90% read hits typical)
 - Applications that utilize 20% of the data 80% of the time
- EVA and XP management
 - EVA, Easy quick LUN and RAID level changes, automatic load balancing.
 - Test and development environments
 - Highly dynamic production environments
 - XP slightly more management overhead.
 - More tools for tuning. I.E. Auto LUN. APM.
- EVA and XP scalability
 - EVA, scales by adding controllers and disk cabinets
 - XP scales by adding disks and cabinets to existing frame



EVA and XP Case Studies





EVA and XP Case Study 1

GE Real Estate EVA from XP migration

IT problem

- Customer has a growing development and test environment
- IT budget is stressed
- XP-256 currently used in Dev/Test is expensive to expand, and costly to maintain.
- Point in time copies require disk space for every copy.
- Constant changes to the Dev/Test environment are difficult and time consuming.

HP solution

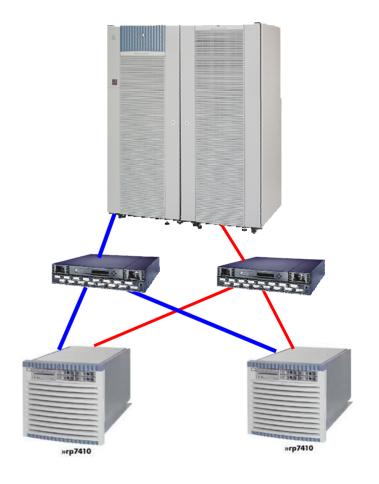
- Trade in the XP-256
- Implement an EVA 3000 on a McData SAN
- Command View EVA ease of use allows administrators to change RAID levels, LUN sizes, number of disks etc, easily.
- EVA Vsnap allows space efficient point in time copies.

Case Study 2



XP Benchmarking

- Connected 2 servers to an XP-1024
 - Configured 4 RAID 5 RAID Groups for each server
 - Performed random r/w I/O tests
 - Incorrect conclusion Max.
 IOPS=2,500 per server.
- Reconfigured so that Applications shared the 4 RAID Groups
 - Application performance suffered
 - Incorrect conclusion, XP cannot share RAID Groups between applications.

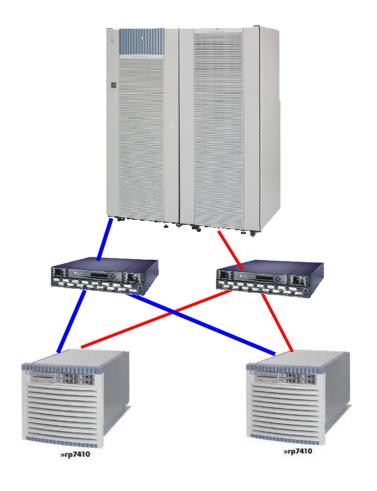




Case Study 2

XP Benchmarking

- Customer connected 2 servers to an XP-1024
 - Configured 16 RAID 5 RAID Groups for both servers
 - Configured stripe sets or 4 devices per group at 64k stripe size.
 - Performed random r/w I/O tests
 - Correct conclusion Max.
 IOPS=15,000+ per server.
 - (bottleneck is now CPU not disk)
 - Application performance does not suffer from sharing disks

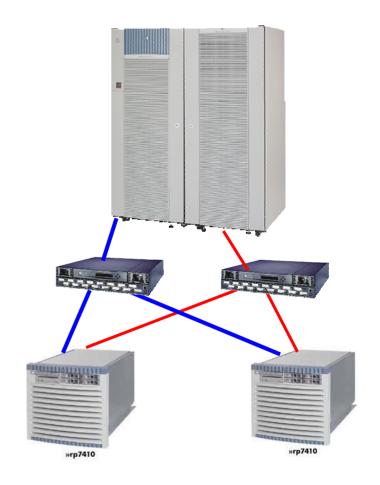


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Case Study 2

XP Benchmarking

- Conclusion. Configure the XP array "WIDE" meaning lots of RAID groups.
- The XP completes all I/O in cache.
 The goal is to flush cache efficiently
- Striping allows more efficient UNIX performance through more SCSI queue distribution.
- Applications do not suffer from sharing resources on the XP array.



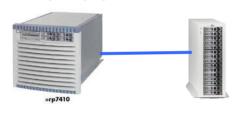


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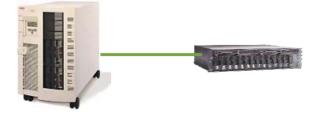
Hackensack Medical Center

- Internal Storage

 Direct attached storage, multi vendor











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Case study 3

IT problem

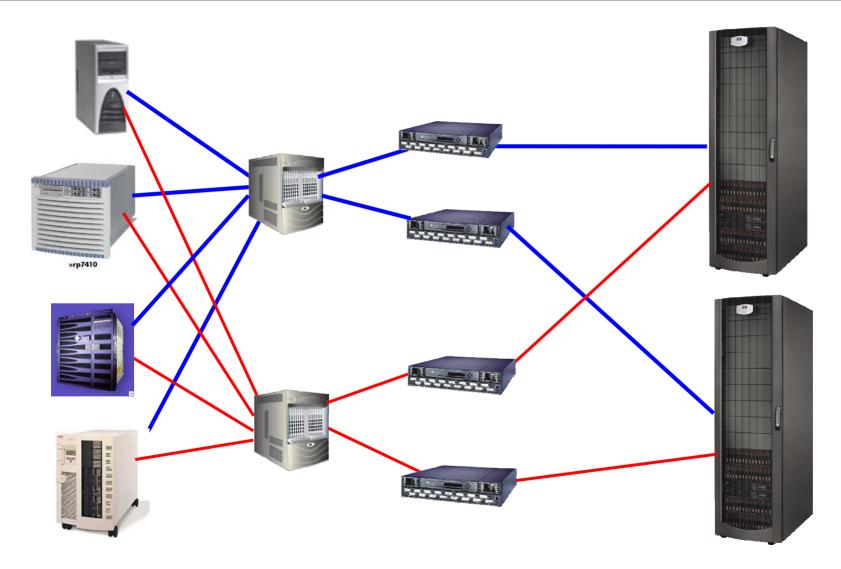
- Hackensack Medical Center had 300+ multi vendor servers with direct attached storage
- Doctors could only pull up part of a patients medical records during a data retrieval.
 - I.E. Written records but not films (they are "filmless")
- S.A's were overwhelmed in maintaining data storage.
- Films need to be stored on-line for one year, and archived for another 21 years.
- DR may have been an issue

HP Solution

- Create a SAN infrastructure using Brocade FC switches
- Create a shared storage pool using EVA arrays.
- S.A's are able to simply request storage from the pool and the appliance/EVA find the storage.
- The EVA virtualization and load leveling allows simplicity of administration without performance impact.
- Film retrieval performance was decreased from 1-2.5 minutes, to 2-10 seconds.
- Futures will include using DRM for remote replication.



Case Study 3 EVA solution



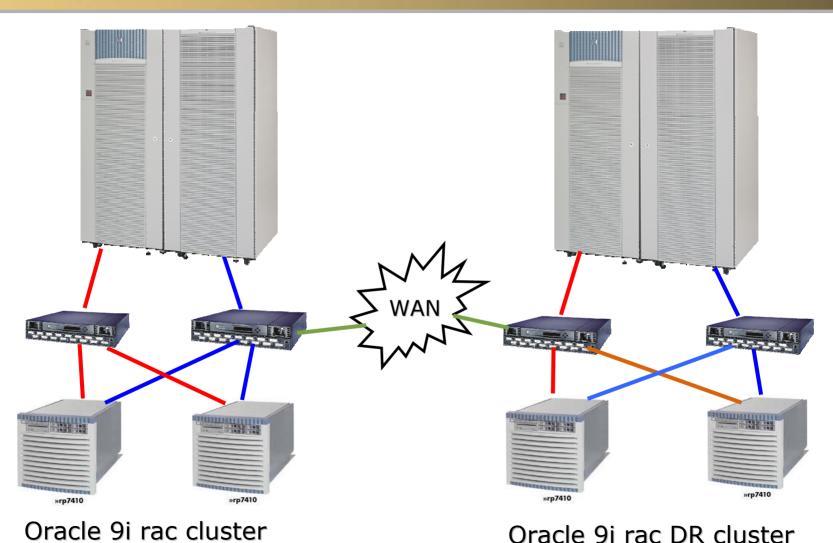
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Case Study 4

- FedEx Oracle 9iRAC testing using XP-1024
 - Customer requirement for 2000TPS
 - Expected IOPS 12,000
 - DR using CA async over distance simulator
- Volumes using HP-UX LVM striping were created for
 - Rac1-8
 - Archive logs
- Max throughput achieved
 - 1100 TPS
 - 8600 IOPS

Case study 4 FedEx Benchmark layout







Case study 4 Performance report

- Performance advisor database was extracted
 - All I/O was shown to be randomized
 - Customer's expectation was that "rac" would be random however "archive logs" would be sequential
- Recreated "archive logs" volumes as concatenated
- Total throughput of the application test went up by 112%. Service times on devices went down from 40ms average to less than 5ms average.

Conclusion

- Striping randomized the I/O to the sequential logs, creating high service times, lowering total throughput.
- Performance advisor logs as well as DBA's knowledge of the application were instrumental in completing this benchmark successfully.



Case Study 5 EVA solution

IT Problem

- The need to combines more than 200 databases into a single, proprietary information system to manipulate the data for investment analysis.
- The sheer volume of this data along with 30 percent growth annually and the addition of 40 or so new databases over the past year escalated the storage demands.
- The requirement is for relentless storage capacity, high-bandwidth performance, and the ability to scale its storage environment easily.

Solution

- Tested the Hitachi based array and the EVA5000 on the application.
- Built two storage-area networks (SANs), which include HP AlphaServer systems plus a Sun Solaris 6800-series server and two EVA 5000's.
- The Web-enabled applications require substantial server bandwidth, and the combination of high-powered AlphaServer systems and EVA arrays boosts performance considerably.



Case Study 5 EVA solution

IT Problem.

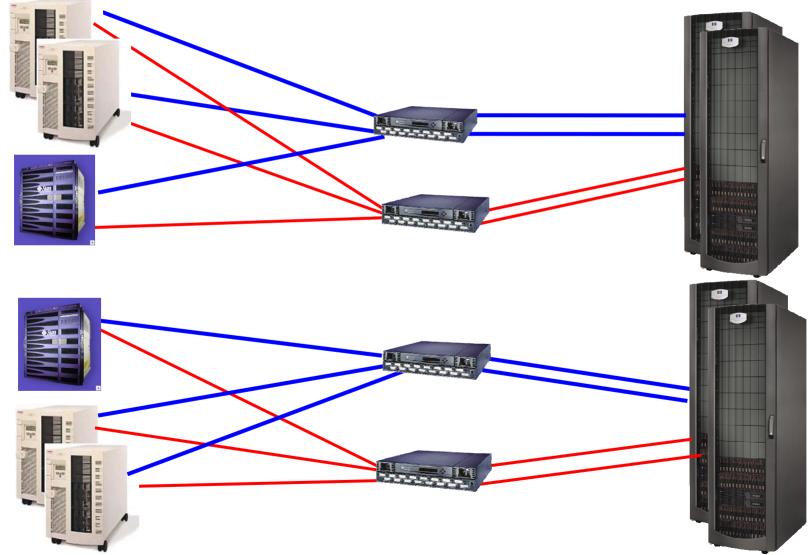
- The current environment is HP storage solution consisting of computer interconnect-based (CI) storage with HSJ80 controllers and SCSI disks.
- As data grew, it became more difficult to reorganize and scale the storage environment.
- "We used to spend every weekend manually rearranging the disk arrays to maximize storage space," says Systems Engineering Director.

Solution

- "The high throughput and data-transfer rates of the HP StorageWorks Enterprise Virtual Array 5000 system allow us to harness more power from our AlphaServer systems," explains the SE Director.
- "The HP StorageWorks solution reduced latency of our read/write operations as much as twenty-fold." (OVMS team director)



Case Study 5 EVA solution





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