



Session 3418: Meeting New Business Challenges with Serial Storage



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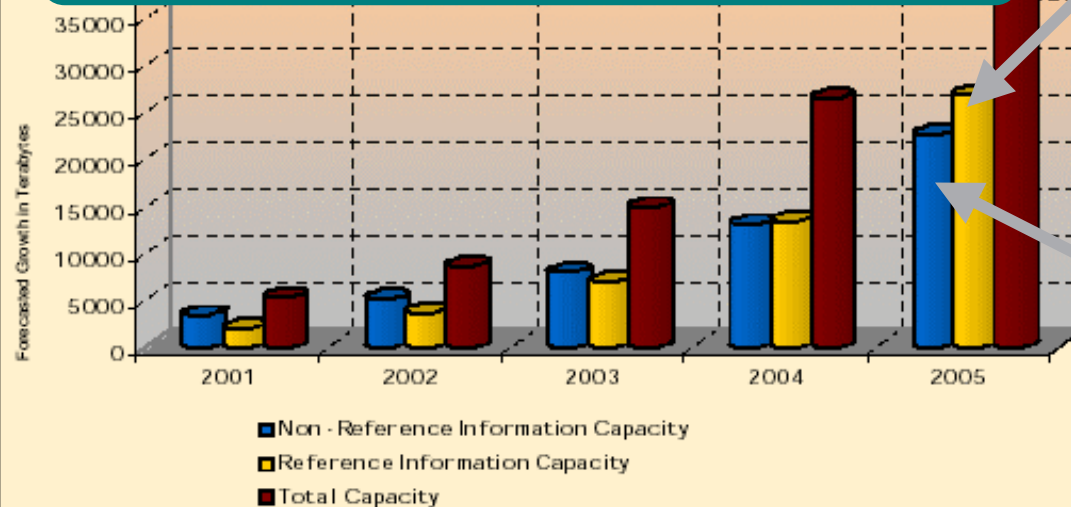


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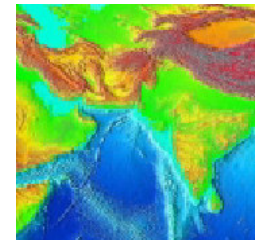
Consumption of Storage Grows



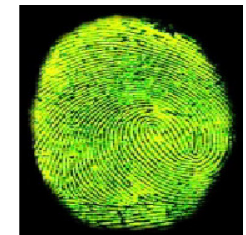
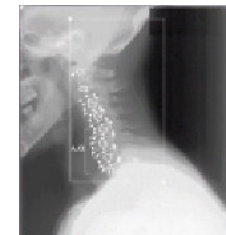
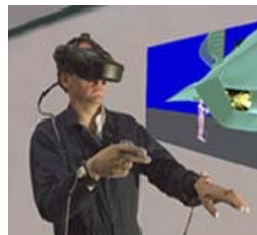
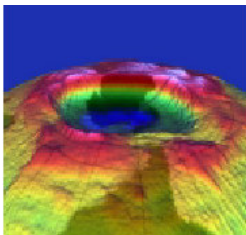
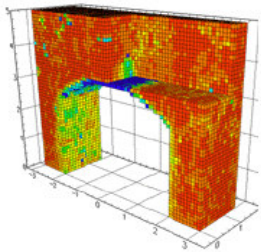
Differing performance requirements drive product segmentation



Reference Data
92% CAGR



Transactional Data
60% CAGR



Changing Regulatory Environment

External forces are tightening regulatory requirements resulting in immediate retrieval of corporate data, ie email or financial

4 significant regulations drive data retention:

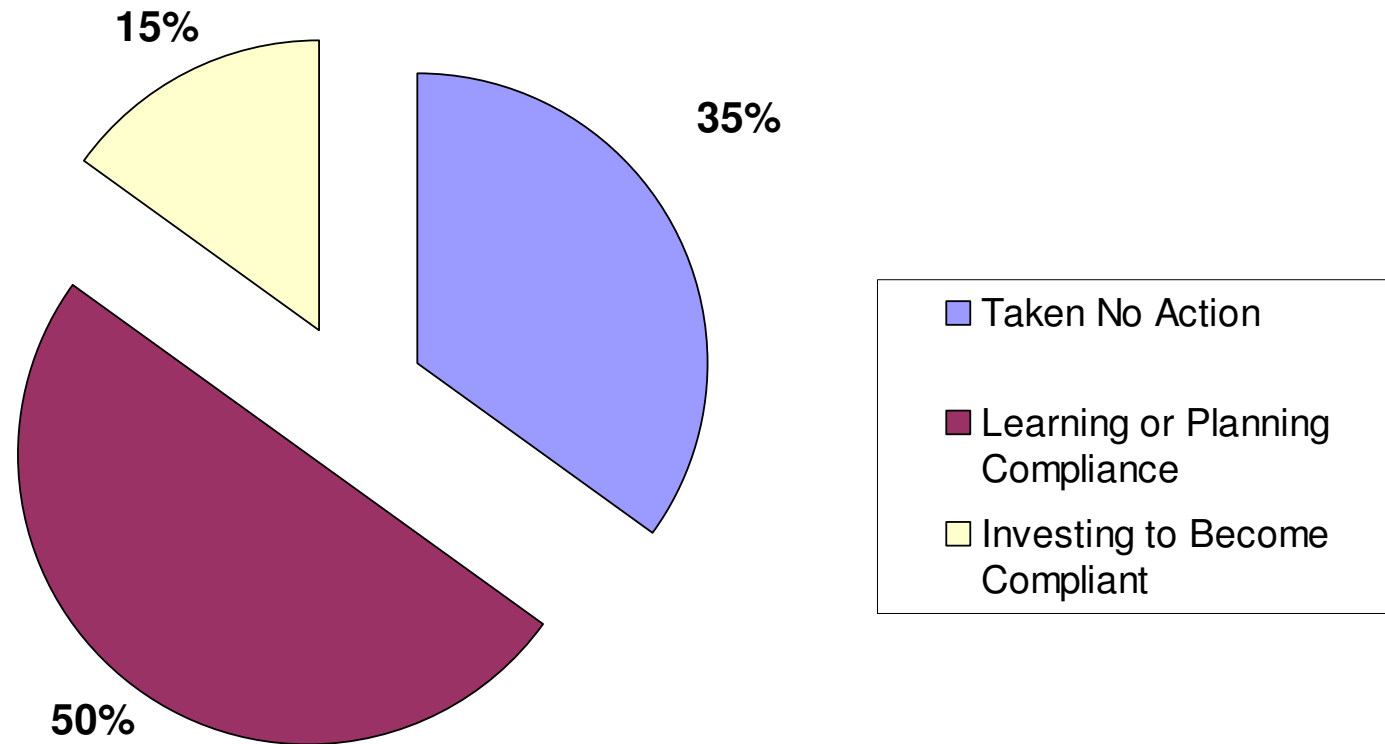
1. Sarbanes-Oxley
2. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)
3. Grahams-Leach-Bliley
4. US Patriot Act

•New data storage and retention policies are forcing data center managers to comply with new policies while running a 24 x 7 operation

Slow Reaction to Compliance Initiatives



Jan'04 IDC Survey



Source: Jan'04 IDC Survey of 400 companies

- 35% of surveyed companies have taken no action to comply



Acute Focus on Cost

Traditionally

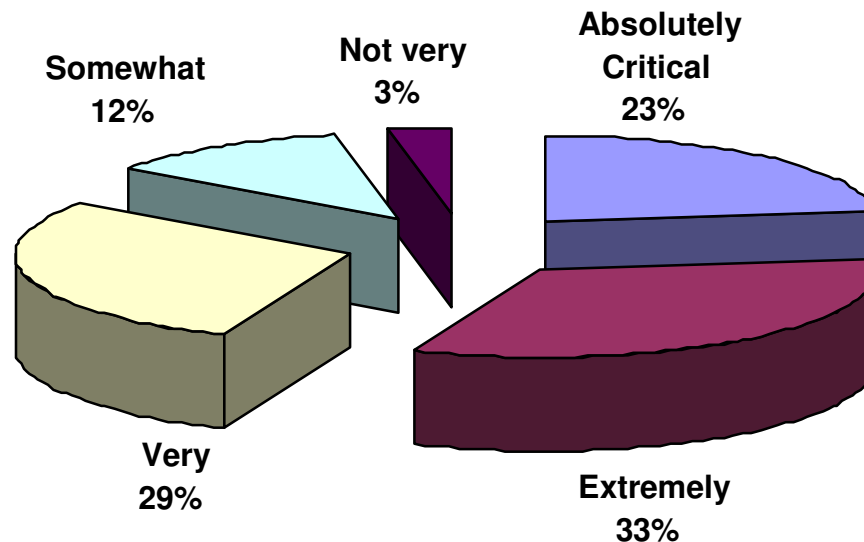
- Management of hardware was greatest concern

New Awareness

- Ever increasing focus on reducing data center costs by:
 - consolidating locations, personnel and hardware
 - utilizing rack optimized hardware to consolidate space
 - improving I/O density per cubic foot of space (IOPS-per-U)

Consolidation is Top-of-Mind

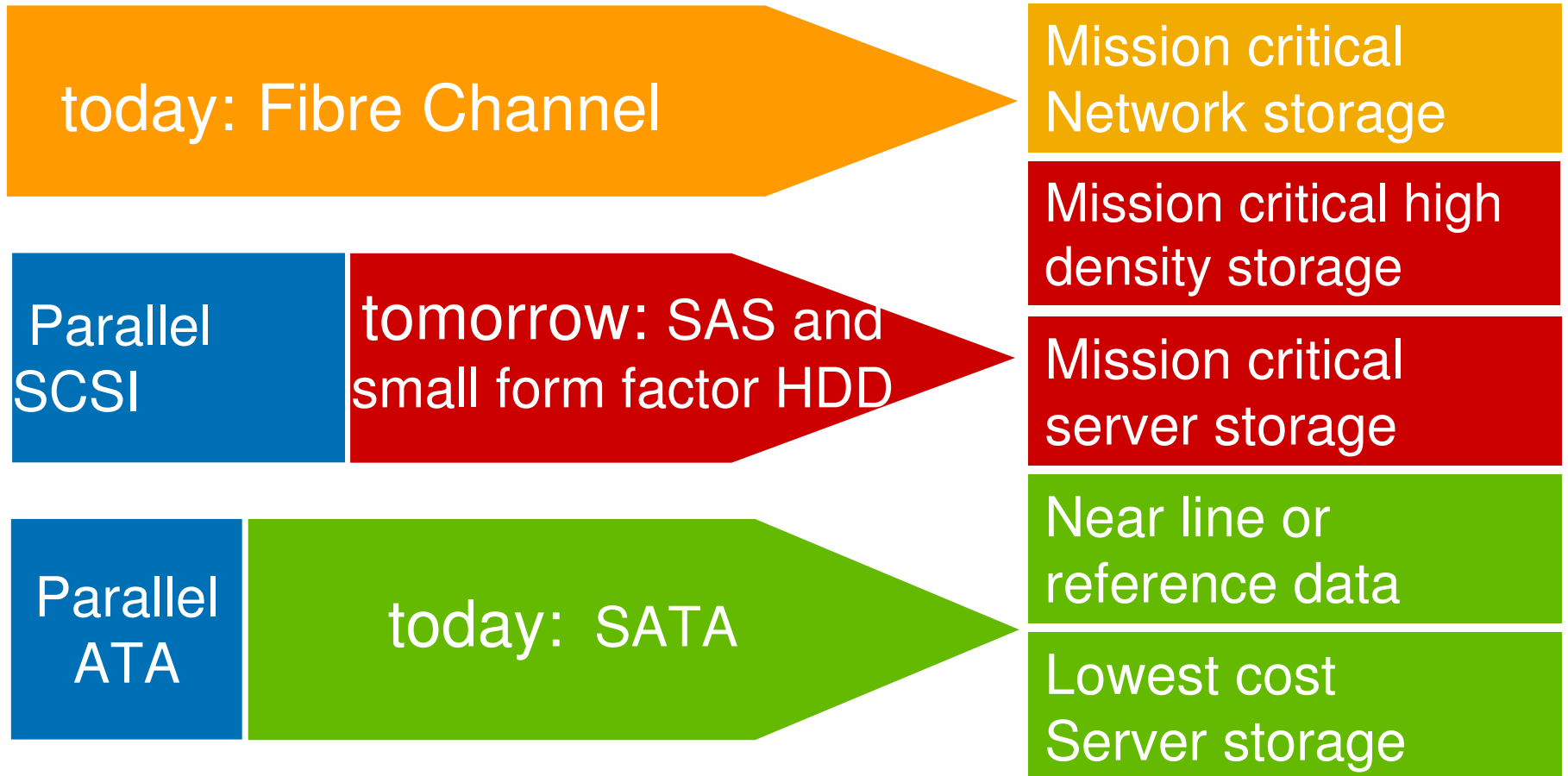
Importance of consolidation of server / storage hardware



Source: Intelliquest Survey Fortune 1000 Data Centers

- Fortune 1000 Data Centers are looking to simplify
- 85% stated server and storage consolidation very, extremely or absolutely critical

Changing Storage Landscape



- Sophisticated business requirements are moving us away from “One Size Fits All”

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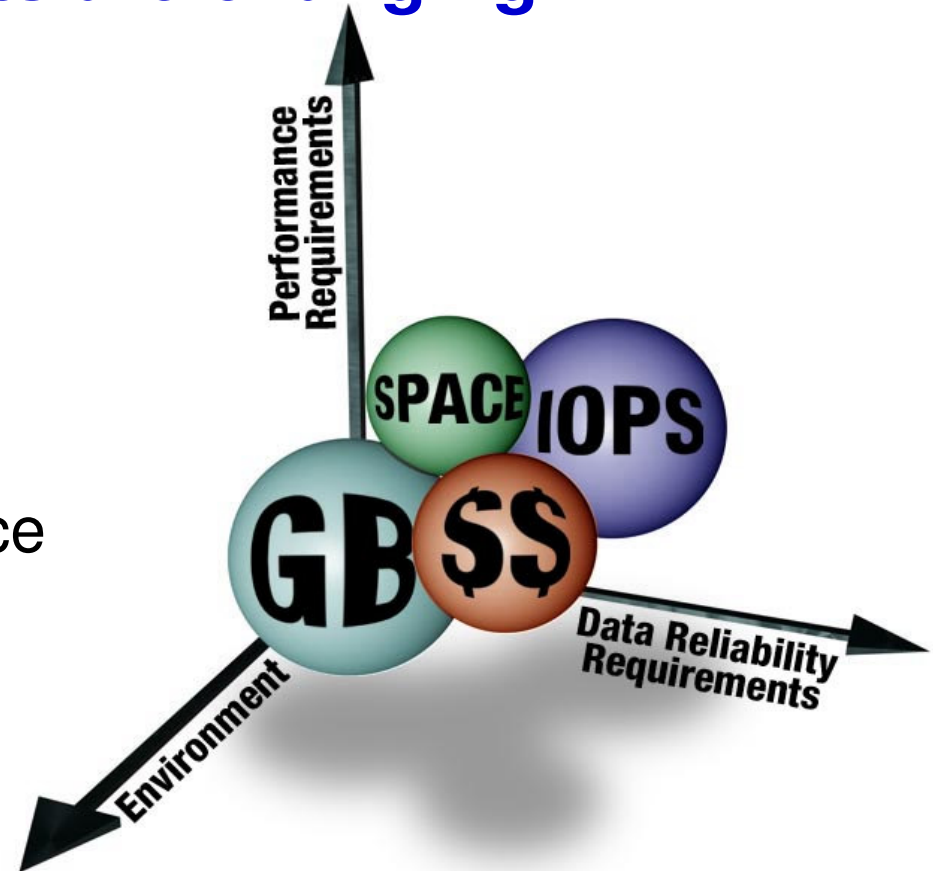
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Moving Beyond Capacity

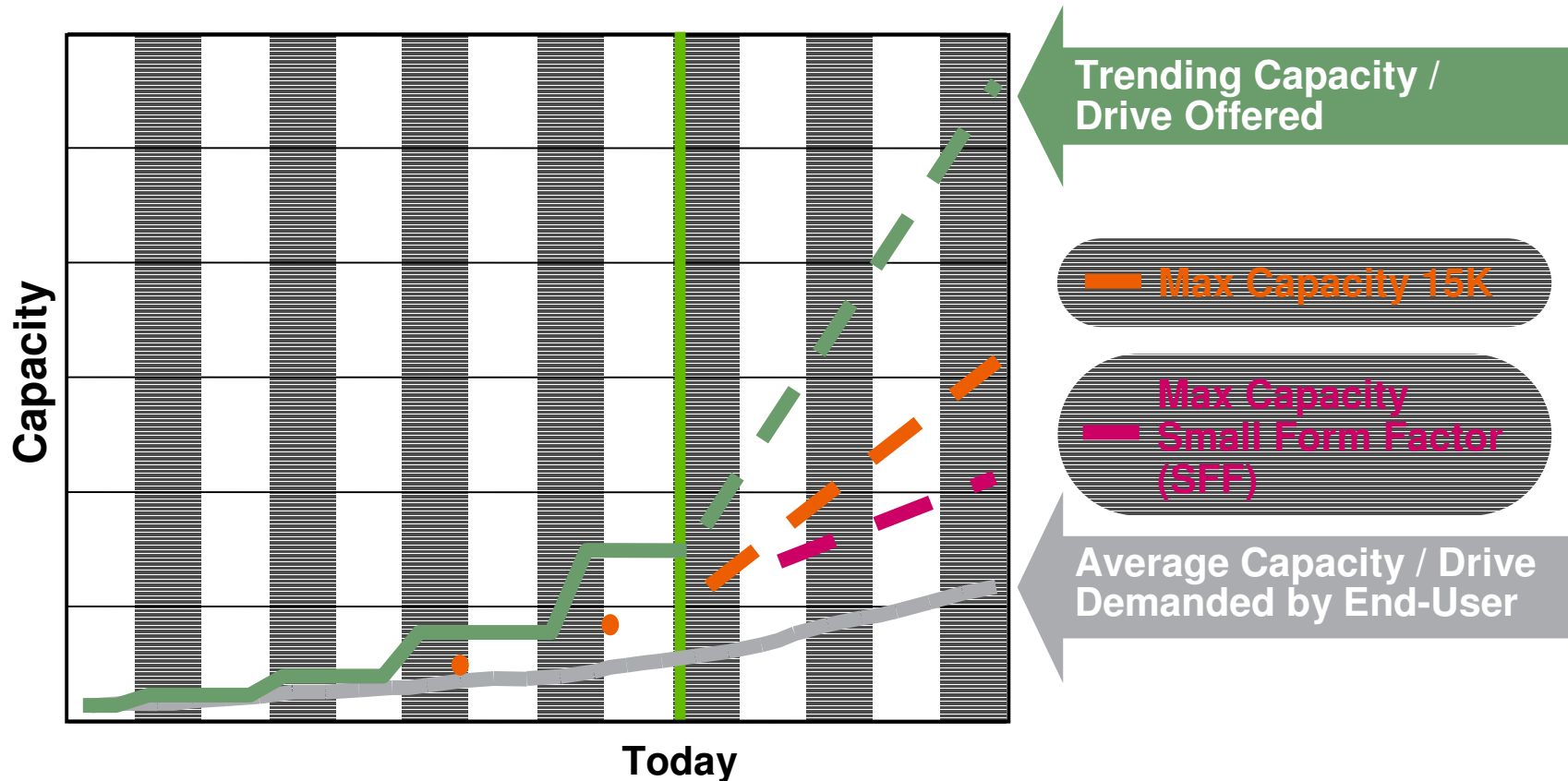


End-user requirements are changing

- Historically... storage performance and interface choice was **capacity driven**
- Today... The performance and interface choice is driven by **customer requirements...**
 - IOPS performance
 - reliability
 - application
 - capacity



Enterprise Capacity / Drive Trend



Efficiency and economics drive volume market to 15K and SFF

Pools of Storage

Cost of ownership is becoming an operations and infrastructure challenge



Transactional



Reference Data



Staging and
spooling



Archive


*IT Managers are increasingly viewing data resources as "**Pools of Storage**" with differing characteristics to meet a range of application and cost requirements*

Market Segmentation Model

	Description
Networked Storage	Mission Critical Enterprise
Server Storage	
High Density Storage	
Fixed Content/Near-line/Tape	Non-mission Critical Enterprise
Low Cost Server	
PC Commercial	Personal Computer
PC Consumer	
Notebook	
PVR	Consumer Electronics
Gaming/Audio/Other	
Handheld	

- In general, storage is entering a “mature” partition of the lifecycle continuum

HDD Market Segmentation

Networked Server High Density Storage	Mission Critical Storage
Critical To Customers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transactional Performance • Guaranteed Availability • Mission Critical Reliability
Driving Metrics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOPS per GB (Performance/Cap.) • IOPS per U (Performance Density)
Platforms For Products	<div> <div> FC, SAS, SCSI 10K - 15K RPM </div> <div>  </div> <div> Access time: < 5.7ms Duty Cycle: 24 x 7x 365 </div> </div>

HDD Market Segmentation

Near-line or Reference data
Low Cost Server

Non-mission Critical Enterprise

Critical To Customers

- Sequential Performance
- High Capacity
- 9-5, 5 days a week reliability

Driving Metrics

- \$ per GB (TB solutions)
- \$ per GB (Small Capacities; Cost)

Platforms For Products

Near-line or Reference data & Low Cost Server

SATA, ATA
7.2K RPM



Access time:
< 13ms

Duty Cycle:
8 to 10 hours, 5
days a week

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Existing Disk Interconnects Need to Change



- Signaling rates going **faster** than parallel architectures can support.
- Box densities are getting **smaller**
 - Blades servers gaining momentum
 - Disks are transitioning from 3.5" to 2.5"
 - Desktop and laptops continue shrinking
 - Existing connectors are too big!
 - Disk drives are required to consume less power to ease cooling
- Semiconductor process technologies are changing to <5V voltage requirements
 - ATA and SCSI requires a 5V tolerant process



Serial Architecture is the Solution

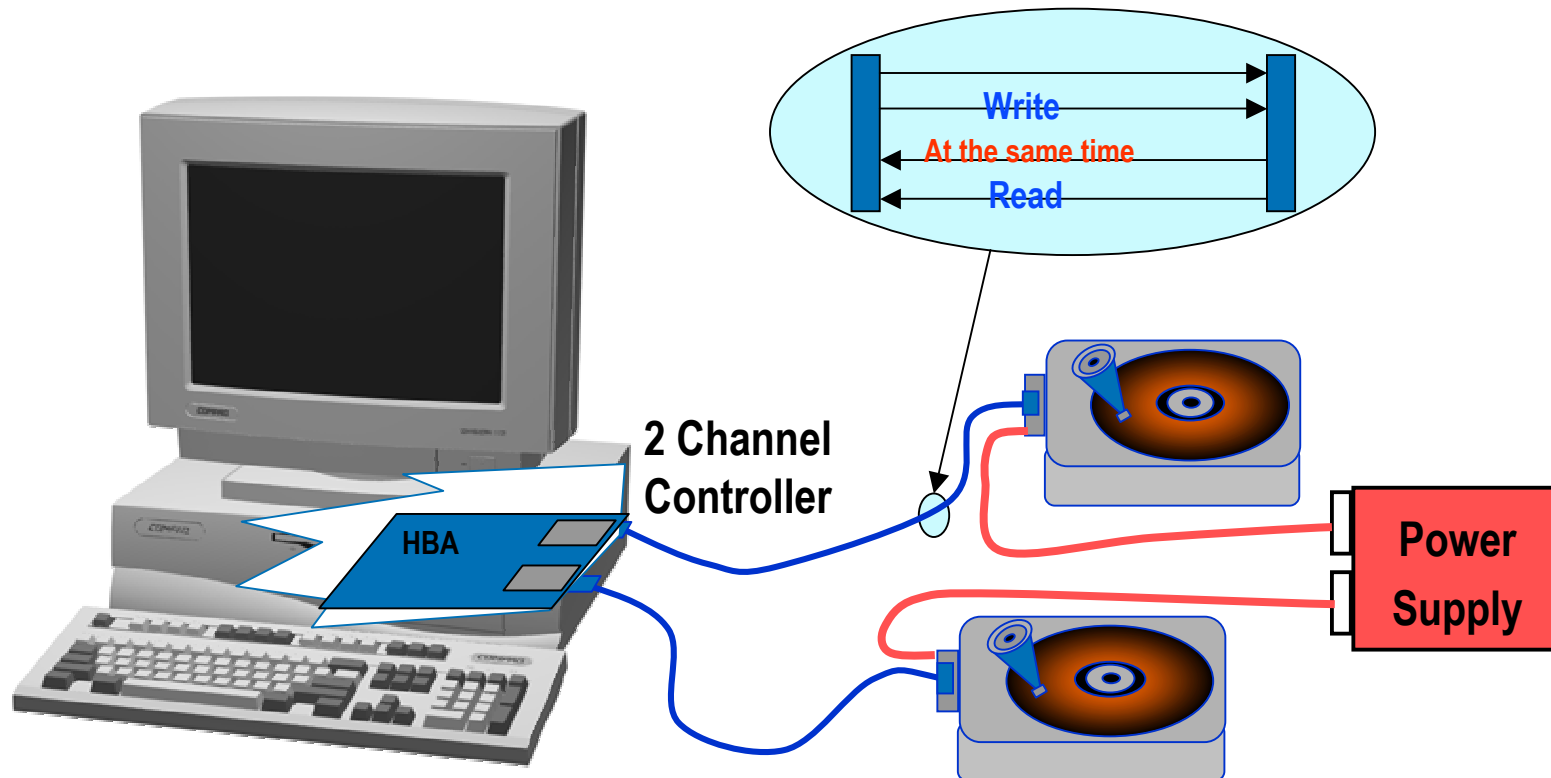
- Today's Businesses Require More from the IT Infrastructure
 - Greater Scalability
 - Greater physical device addressing range
 - Connection to out-of-box storage, greater I/O cable length
- Greater Device Flexibility
- Support for Serial Attached SCSI and Serial ATA devices
- Highest reliability and availability
 - More extensive error recovery techniques
 - Multi-initiator (simultaneous access) + Dual-active port support



What is Serial Attached SCSI (SAS)

- SAS is the next evolution of the SCSI interface
- SAS combines best-of-class attributes
 - **Parallel SCSI** (command set)
 - **Fibre Channel** (frame formats)
 - **SATA** (physical characteristics)
- SAS expanders provide scalability beyond SCSI and SATA today
- Ideal for transactional data storage in enterprise environments

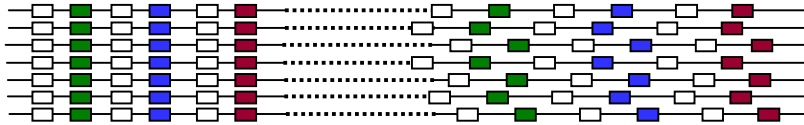
SAS is a Point-to-Point Interface



- Single or multi-channel HBA connected to individual drives.
- Drives normally installed in the same cabinet as the HBA or in a JBOD
- Each port has 4 data wires, 2 output and 2 input (differential)
- Full Duplex capability on Data/Data and Command/Data

Serial Technology Benefits

Parallel



Serial



Technology Features	System Benefits
Embedded clock	Ease of design
Point-to-point topology	Dedicated, scalable throughput
Performance beyond ATA & SCSI	Improved overall bandwidth
Thin cables	Improved chassis air flow
Fewer signals	Simplified backplane routing

Serial Product Positioning

Serial ATA

- Low cost
- Single drive, single user focus

Serial Attached SCSI (SAS)

- Private, local peripheral attachment
- Parallel SCSI replacement
- Highly Scaleable

Fibre Channel

- Very high performance or large scale attachment
- SAN

Importance to the End User?

- Choice drives the heart of infrastructure
 - Customize storage by application and customer requirements
 - Provide industry leading flexibility as an industry standard
- Minimize costs (acquisition and Total Cost of Ownership)
 - Service pools of hardware can be minimized/standardized
 - Customers standardize infrastructure (electrical and physical connections)
 - SATA targets best cost per Gigabyte
 - SAS targets TCO
- Exceeding the customer requirement
 - Software compatibility with SCSI command set while scaling to meet performance and capacity requirements

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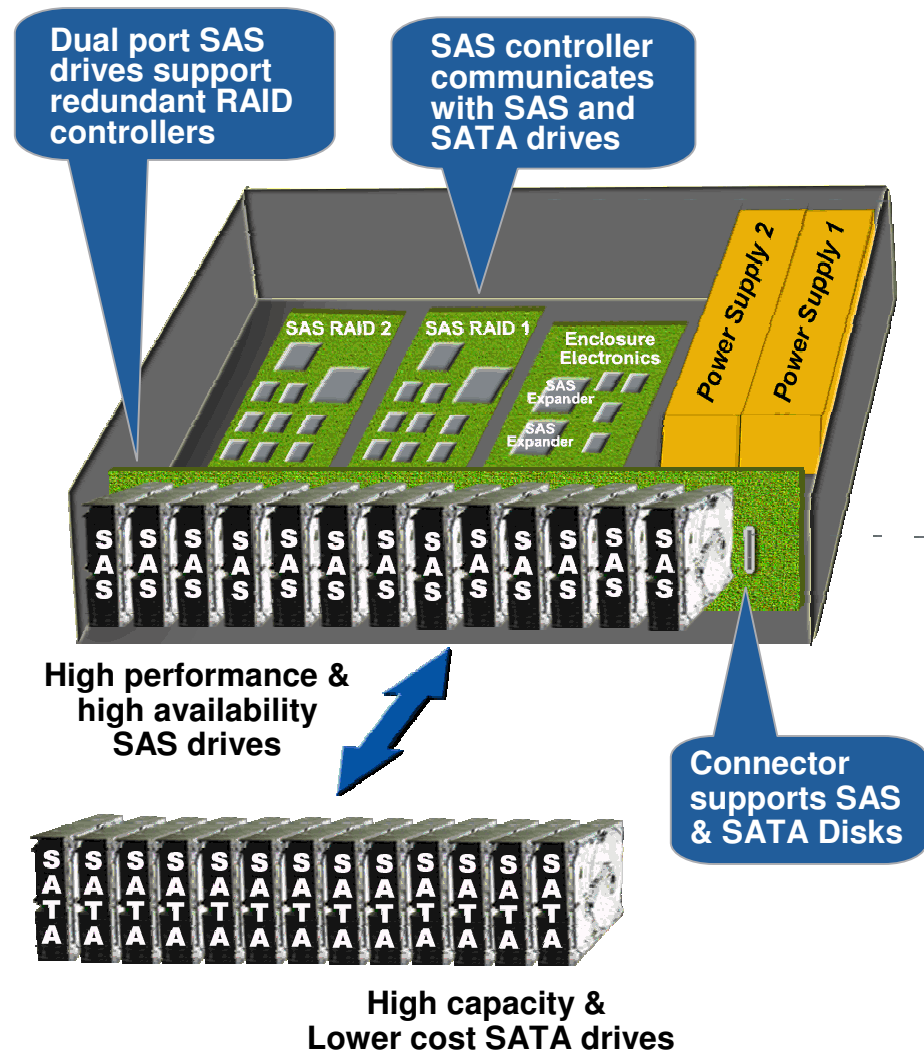


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Lower TCO Through Standardization

- Lower Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) through standardization
- IT managers configure systems based on applications
 - SATA drives for Mid-line & Near-line applications
 - SAS drives for Online, transactional applications



SAS Enables Mixed Online/Nearline Apps



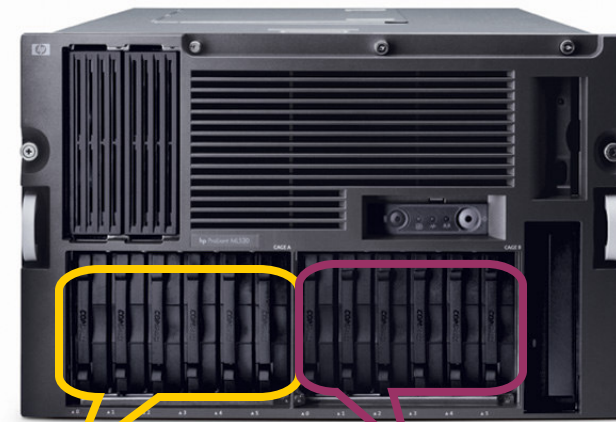
Dual Port SAS drives
for networked file
storage



Dual port SAS drives
for main stream,
enterprise storage
applications

SATA drives
integrate disk to
disk backup
within the RAID
array or server to
shorten backup
and restore times

**Serial Attached SCSI
will support mixed
classes of disk drives
within a single JBOD
or RAID enclosure**



SAS
drives

SATA
drives



Enterprise Software Support

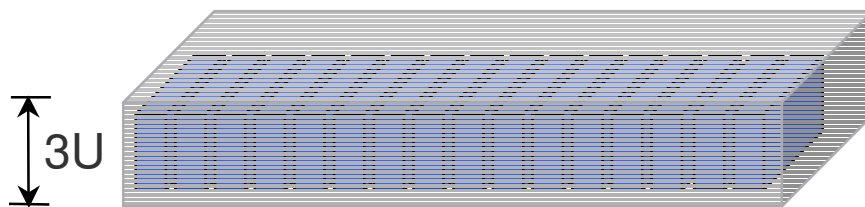
SAS deployment is simple / inexpensive

- SCSI command set is robust and stable
 - 20 years of investment and enhancements
 - Extensive IT management experience
- Entrenched software base
 - Management utilities
 - Broad operating system support
- The SCSI protocol is pervasive in servers & enterprise storage
 - FC, iSCSI, IB...

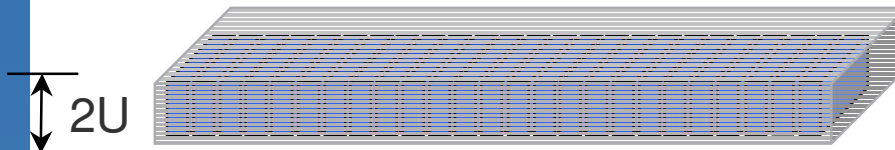


SAS Creates Smaller Systems

14 x 3.5" Drives in 3U

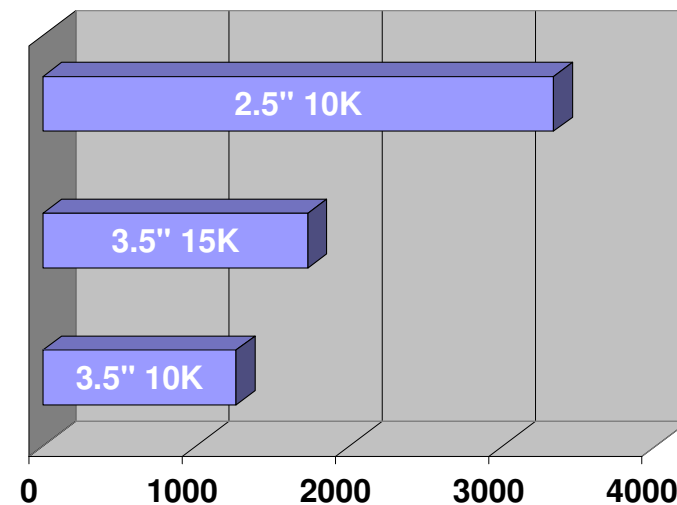


25 x 2.5" Drives in 2U



- 2.5-inch SAS drives create higher density systems offering the fastest IOPS-per-U
- Smaller system sizes conserve costly data center space
- Typical data center cost = \$500/ft² to over \$1,000/ft²

IOPS Per U





SAS Helps Lowering TCO

SAS improves TCO by:

- Transacting more business and speeding end-user access to data
- Conserving data center space when smaller (SFF) systems are deployed
- Standardizing hardware allowing both disk drive types, SAS & SATA to reside in the same box
- Continuing to support the SCSI command set

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