



Improving Oracle Database Performance

A blurred background image showing several people in an office setting, some looking at computer monitors, suggesting a collaborative work environment.

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Agenda

- ▼ **Challenges of Storage Management in the Internet World**
- ▼ **Storage Management for Oracle Databases in the Internet World**
 - Overview
 - Building a Foundation for Performance
 - Replication for Off-Host Processing and Disaster Recovery
 - Clustering for Continuous Data Availability
 - Efficient Data Management for Data Protection
 - Summary

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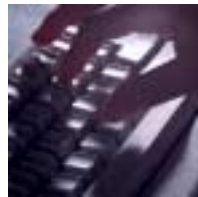
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Evolution of the Application Market



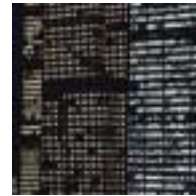
The '70s: Basic Accounting

Automating
manual
bookkeeping
tasks.



The '80s: Enterprise Applications

Information on
every asset of the
enterprise
operation.
Storage
requirements grow



The '90s: Data Analysis

Analysis of
business-critical
information.
Storage
requirements
grow "ten-fold
again"!



What's next?

Storage
requirements
will grow
"ten-fold
again"!



The '90s/'00s: WEB

Proliferation of
multimedia data.
Storage
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grow "ten-fold
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E-commerce Configuration

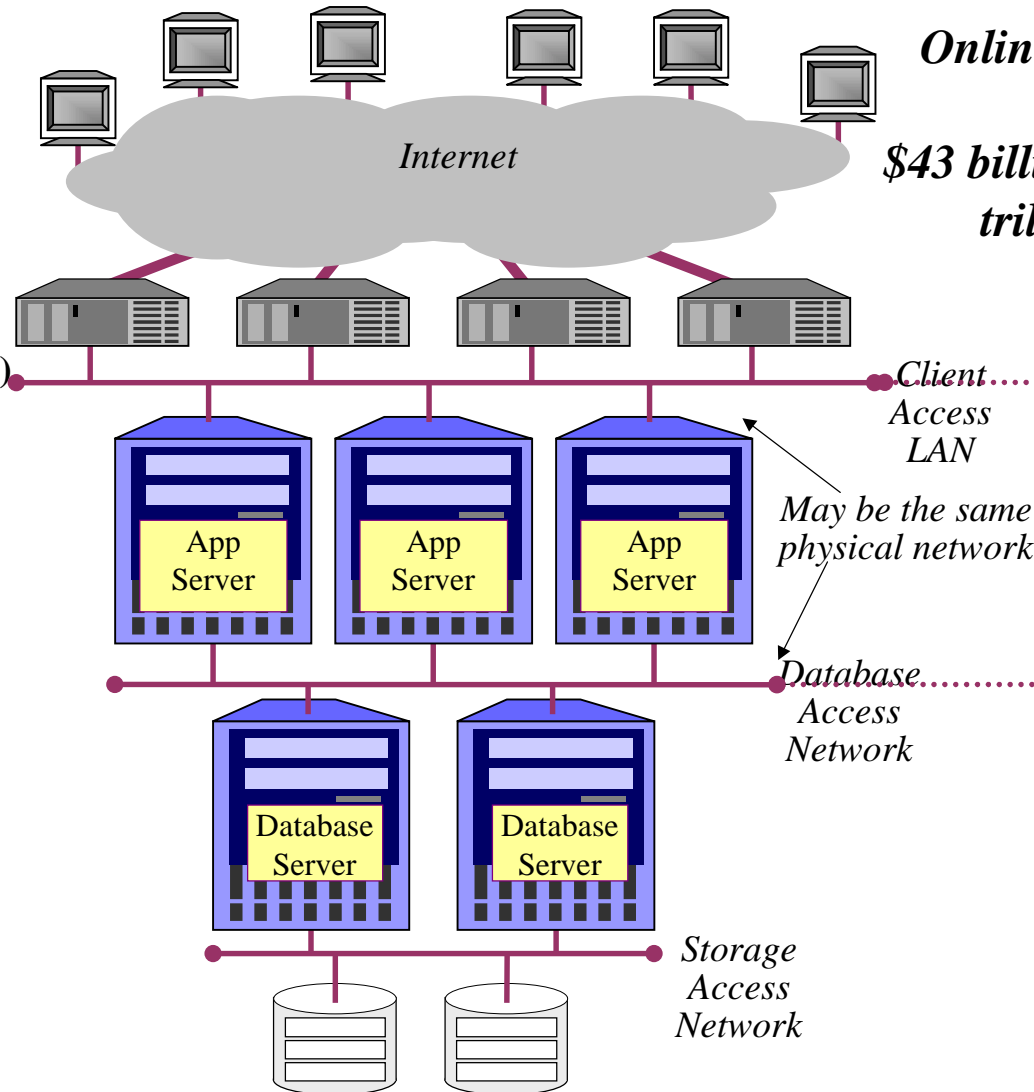
Online Commerce will grow from \$43 billion in 1998 to \$2.7 trillion in 2004 - Forrester

Load Balancing Routing Cluster
(e.g., Cisco Local Director)

Application Availability and Scaling Cluster
(e.g., VERITAS Cluster Server)

Database Availability Cluster
(e.g., Oracle Parallel Server)

Storage Availability "Cluster"
(e.g., StorageWorks RAIDarray 12000)



Challenges in the Internet World

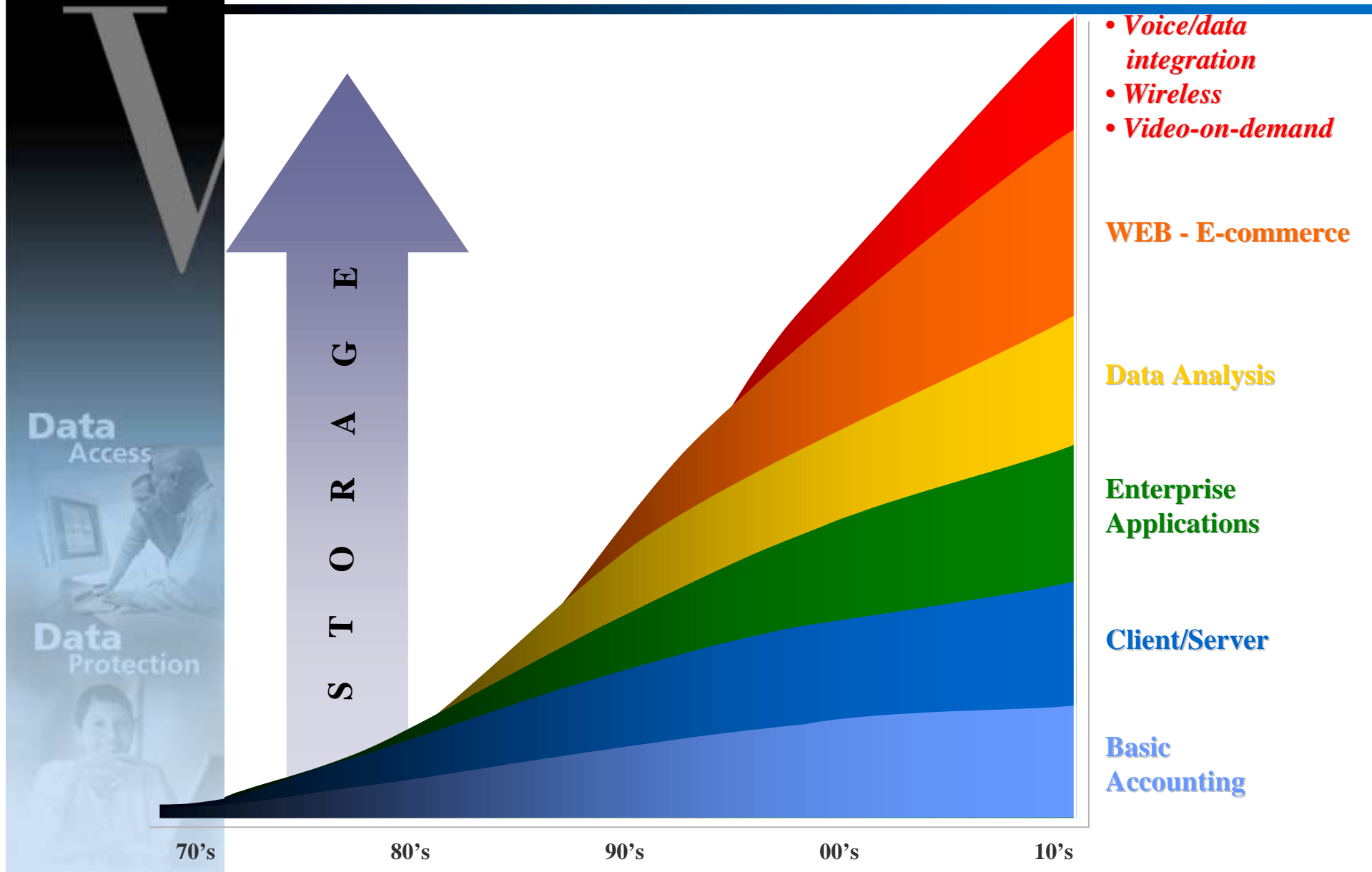
- ▼ Every internet user needs **high performance** access to information
- ▼ Volume of data generated by each new major web application has **expanded exponentially**
- ▼ Need to be assured that data is **always available - 24x365**

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Storage Fuels Applications - Databases Drive them



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As Storage Increases
Exponentially so Does the Need for
Storage Management

- *Voice/data integration*
- *Wireless*
- *Video-on-demand*

WEB

Data Analysis

Enterprise Applications

Client/Server

Basic Accounting

Storage Management Curve

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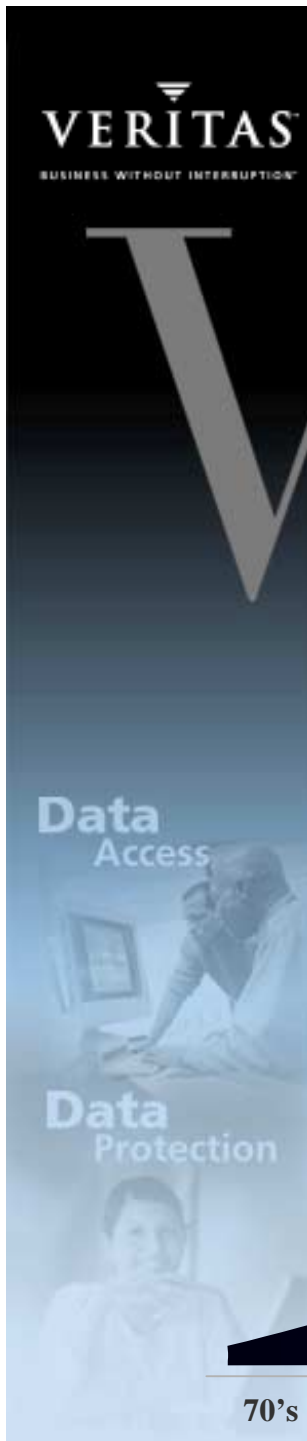
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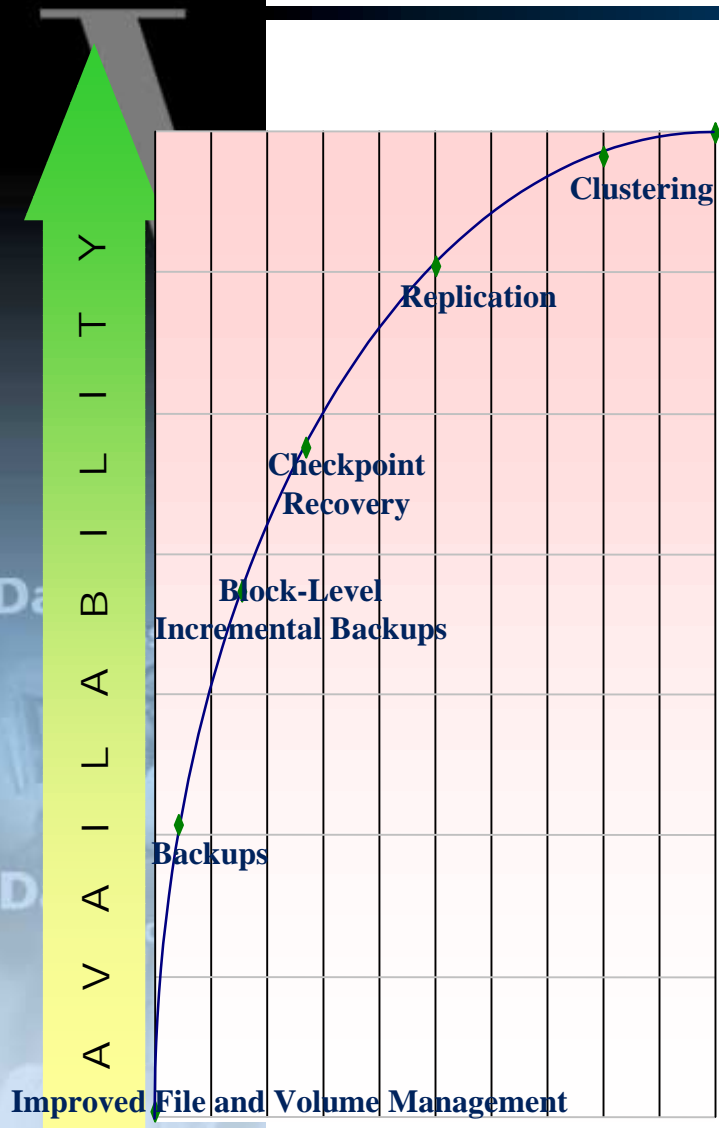


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uptime

Annual
downtime

Annual
Internet
Shopping Cost

Annual
Brokerage
System Cost



99.9999

30 seconds

\$950

\$53,750

Clustering

99.999

5 minutes

\$9,417

\$537,500

Replication

99.99

52 minutes

\$98,000

\$5,590,000

Checkpoint
Recovery

99.9

8.75 hours

\$988,750

\$56 million

Block-Level
Incremental Backups

99.5

43.7 hours

\$5 million

\$280 million

Backups

99.0

87.6 hours

\$10 million

\$560 million

98.0

180+ hours

\$20+ million

\$1+ billion

Improved File and Volume Management

95.0

450+ hours

\$50+ million

\$3+ billion

Potential Savings (\$)

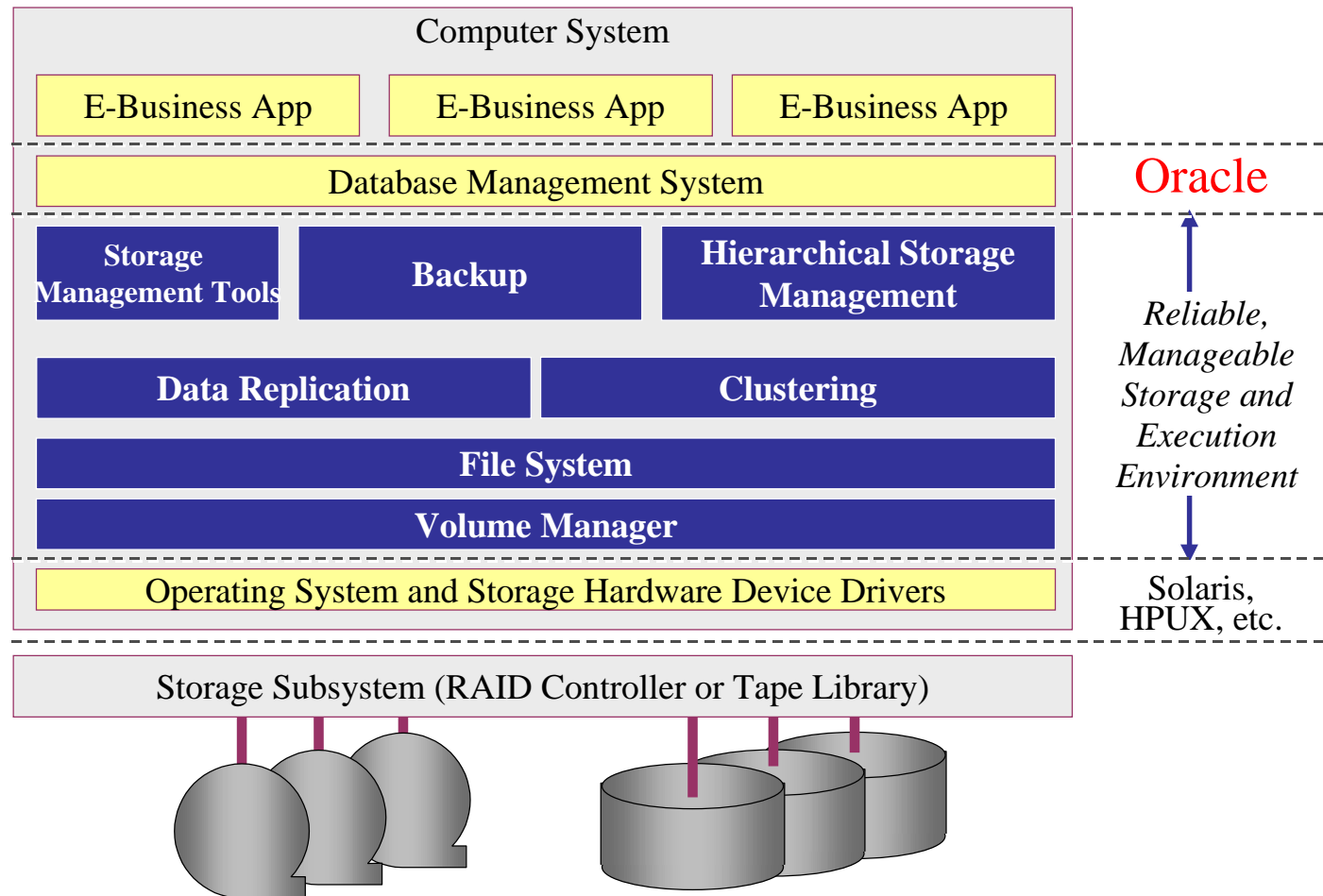
Storage Management Objectives

- ▼ **Configuring and maintaining storage resources to:**
- ▼ **Maximize I/O performance**
 - Is I/O done in an optimal manner for my application?
 - Is my storage configured optimally?
- ▼ **Minimize loss of access to data: “no time for down-time”**
- ▼ **Meet service level agreements**
- ▼ **Increase overall system reliability**

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Overview of Storage Management Components



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Storage Is the Foundation of a Database System

- ▼ **Database functions to:**
 - Store, update, and retrieve structured information
- ▼ **Good storage design helps:**
 - Meets rigorous performance and availability requirements of production databases

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Building a Foundation for Performance



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Performance Can Be Everything

- ▼ **Need to meet service level agreements**
 - Elegant designs can fail in production because of performance problems
 - Administrators spend hours monitoring and balancing I/O loads to achieve better performance

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What Makes up the Foundation?

- ▼ **Volume management**
 - Move data between devices for load balancing
 - Reorganize storage layout
 - Dynamic multi-pathing
 - Hot sparing
 - RAID functionality
 - Fast recovery mechanisms
- ▼ **File system**
 - Journaling / fast recovery, extent-based
 - Online growth & shrinkage
 - Online reorganization / de-fragmentation
- ▼ **Perform all disk & file management operations while applications are running**

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Logical Volumes As a Highly Performing Platform for Databases

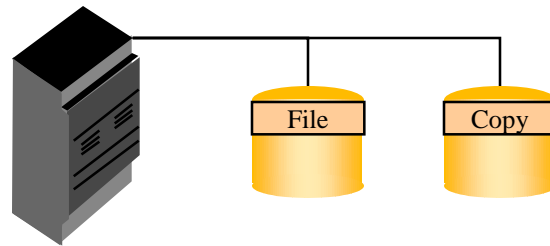
- ▼ **Resolving hot spots can be:**
 - Time and resource consuming
 - Analysis not guaranteed to work
 - Past behavior doesn't predict future behavior
 - May not be possible

- ▼ **Creating logical volumes of physical disks can balance I/O loads**
 - Through data striping

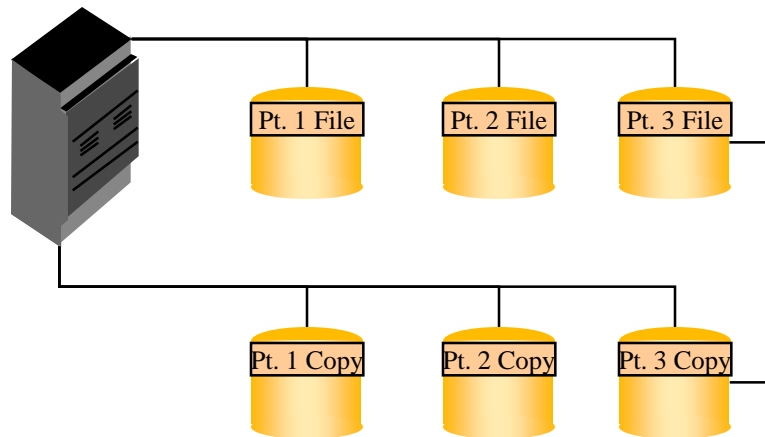
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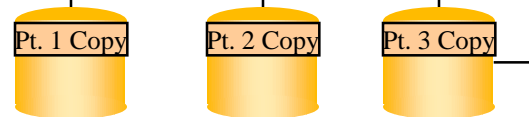
RAID Functionality



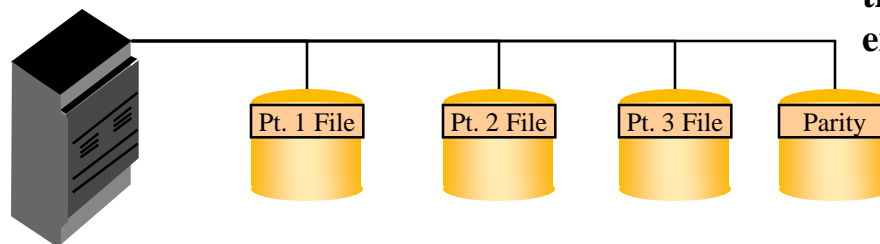
RAID - 1 or Mirroring: Exact duplicate volumes. Full Redundancy.



RAID - 0 or Striping: Stripes data across all drives. No Redundancy., but helps to balance I/O load



RAID - 0 + 1 or Mirrored Stripes: Stripes data across all drives. Mirror with another RAID 0 column. Full Redundancy with Full Performance.



RAID - 1 + 0 or Striped Mirrors: Improves performance by parallel data transfer with benefits of mirroring and enhanced redundancy

RAID - 5: Stripes data across all drives with parity. Limited Redundancy. Doesn't require duplicate storage investment.

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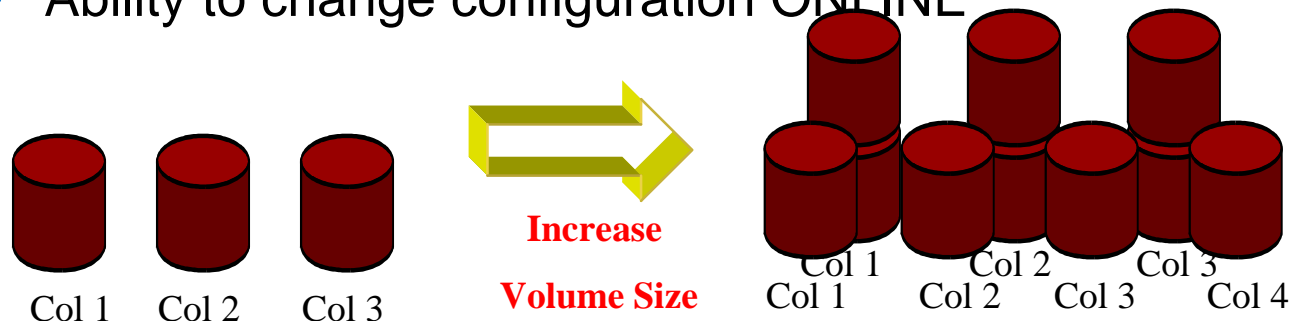
Volume Manager Increases Performance Through Proper Storage Configuration

▼ RAID functionality without specialized hardware

- Minimization of I/O bottlenecks
- Maximum throughput & bandwidth of I/O

▼ Online Relayout

- Ability to change configuration ONLINE



- Enables volume growth by adding columns
 - *Incremental growth*
- Ability to convert a RAID5 volume to a striped volume ONLINE
- Allows ONLINE changing of stripe unit size

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File Systems As a Highly Performing Platform for Databases

- ▼ Best of both worlds: raw I/O performance and ease of file system administration

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Raw Disks

Advantages Disadvantages

- Performance Manageability**
- ▼ Best OLTP performance
 - ▼ "Invisible" local disks for tablespaces
- Data Reliability**
- ▼ Difficult to grow tablespaces
 - ▼ No potential for data loss with data written to disks directly

Conventional File System

Advantages Disadvantages

- Manageability Performance**
- ▼ Tablespace organization through out
 - ▼ System-wide backup and restore policies
 - ▼ Easy to create and expand files for Oracle
- Data Reliability**
- ▼ Lower database throughput (30-90% of raw disk)
 - ▼ High CPU overhead
 - ▼ Potential for data loss

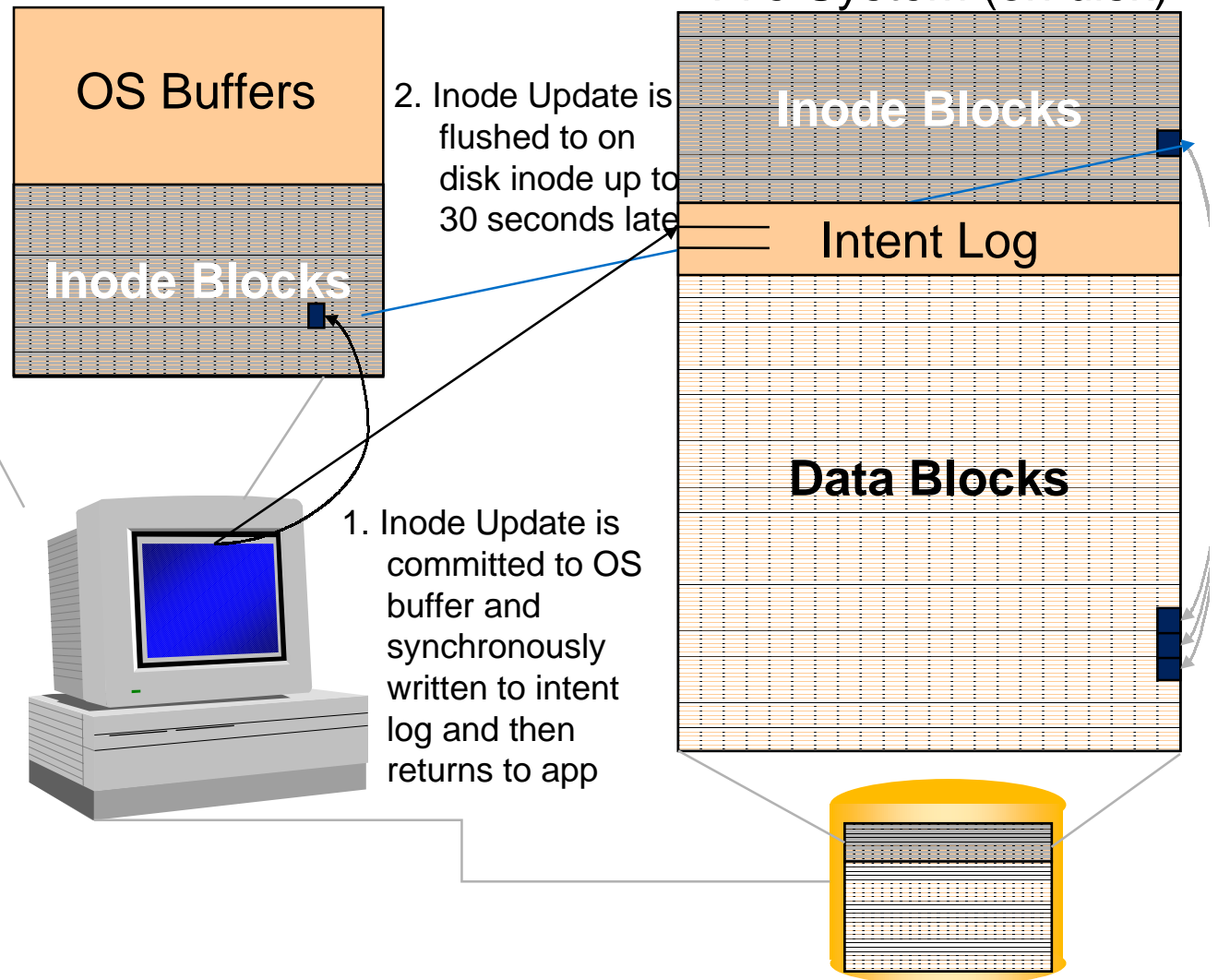
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Journalled File Systems

Journalled File Systems if not closed properly simply check the status of all blocks that were previously being updated. This is known via the entries in the intent log.

A journalled file system's *fsck*, or file system check, is totally dependent on the amount of entries in the journal.

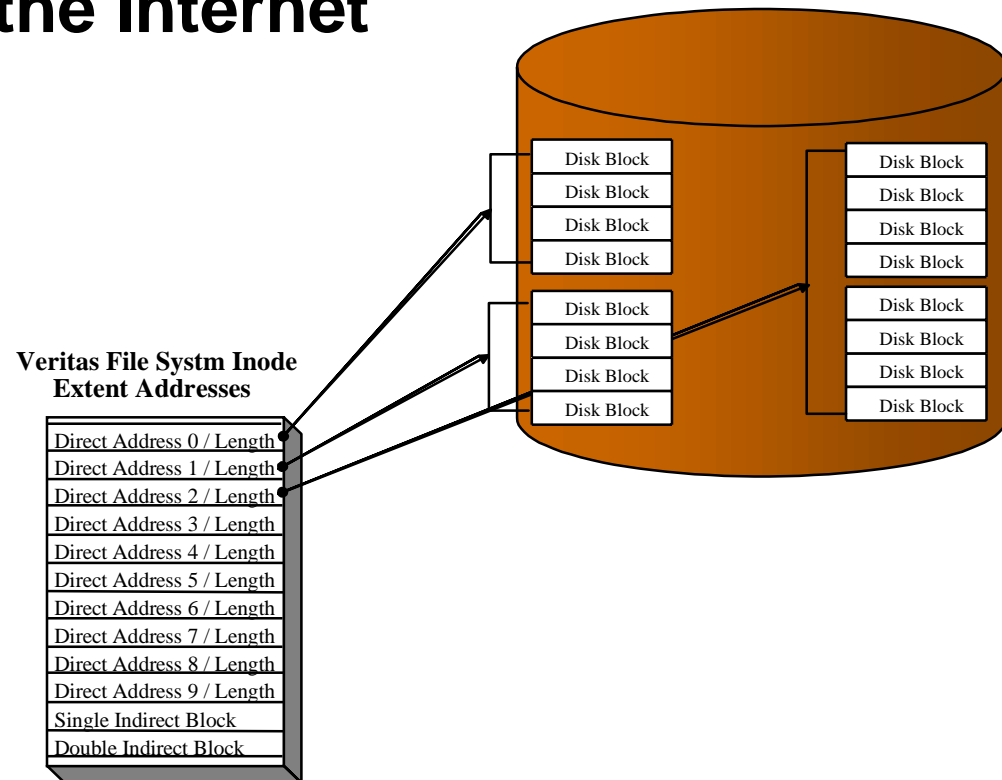


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Increased Performance for Large I/O

- ▶ Extent-based allocation can accelerate I/O by increasing the I/O transfer size in the File System
- ▶ Optimal for multimedia files commonly found on the Internet

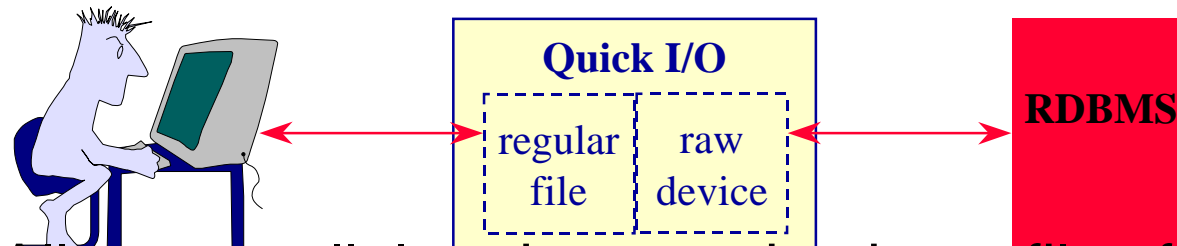


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Raw Device Performance Quick I/O for Databases

- ▼ Break-through VERITAS File System interface technology
- ▼ Presents regular VERITAS File System files to Oracle as raw character devices



- Allows parallel updates to database files for increased throughput
 - Takes advantage of kernel async I/O (Solaris' KAIO)
 - Oracle handles locking for data integrity
- ▼ Eliminates traditional UNIX file system overhead

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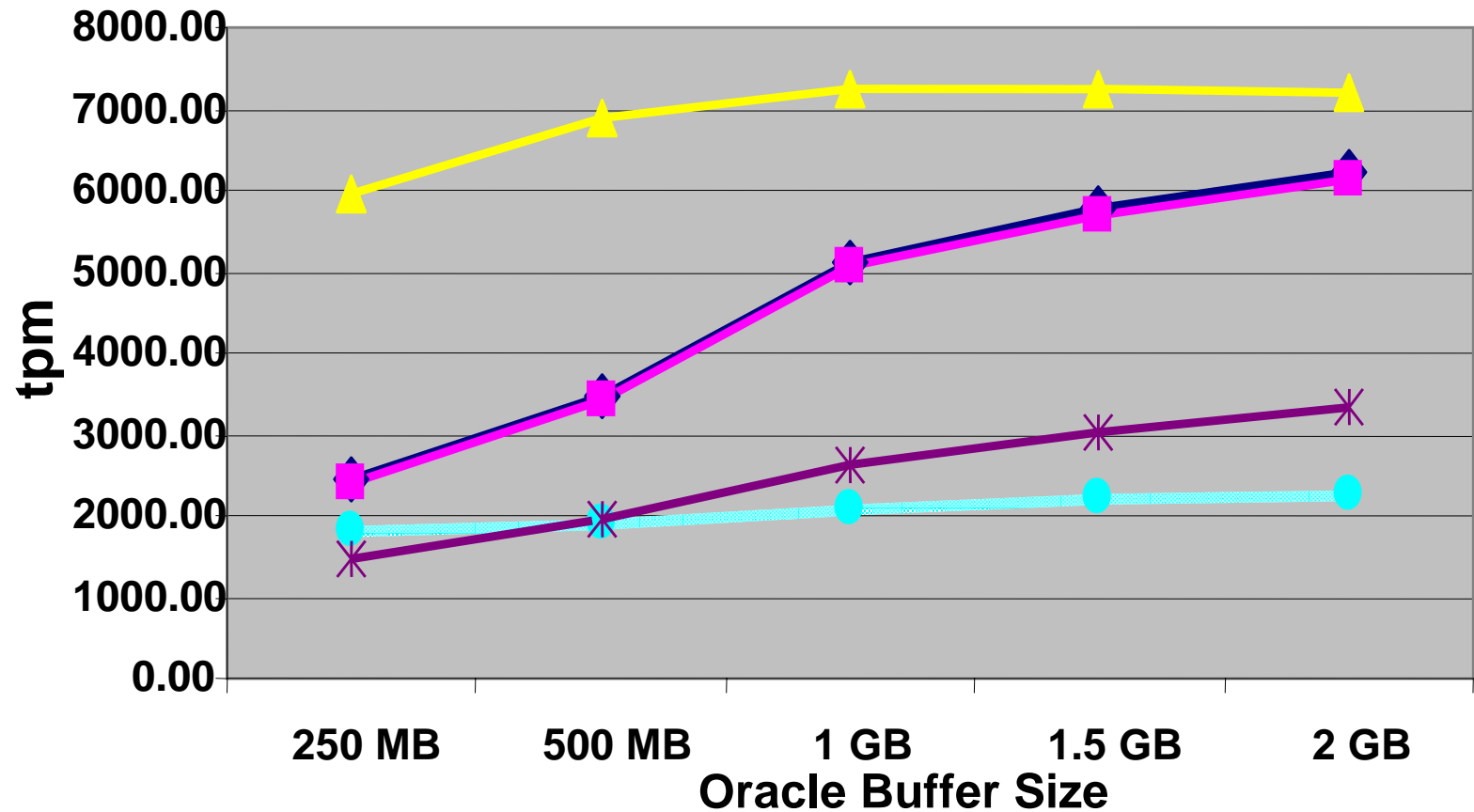
Quick I/O Features

- ▼ **Direct (non-buffered I/O)**
 - Buffered reads in case of Cached Quick I/O
- ▼ **Bypasses the file system layer's locking**
- ▼ **Supports asynchronous I/O**
- ▼ **Easy Online Management to turn Cache on/off for Quick I/O files**
- ▼ **Multiple Database instances can co-exist with selective caching for specific datafiles**
- ▼ **Minimum changes to existing configuration**
- ▼ **No change to the OS or Database version levels**

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Quick I/O Performance



- ◆ Raw Partition
- Database Edition with Quick I/O
- ▲ Database Edition with Cached Quick I/O
- UFS with buffered I/O (default)
- * UFS with direct I/O

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Replication for Off-host Processing and Disaster Recovery



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Why use Storage Replication?



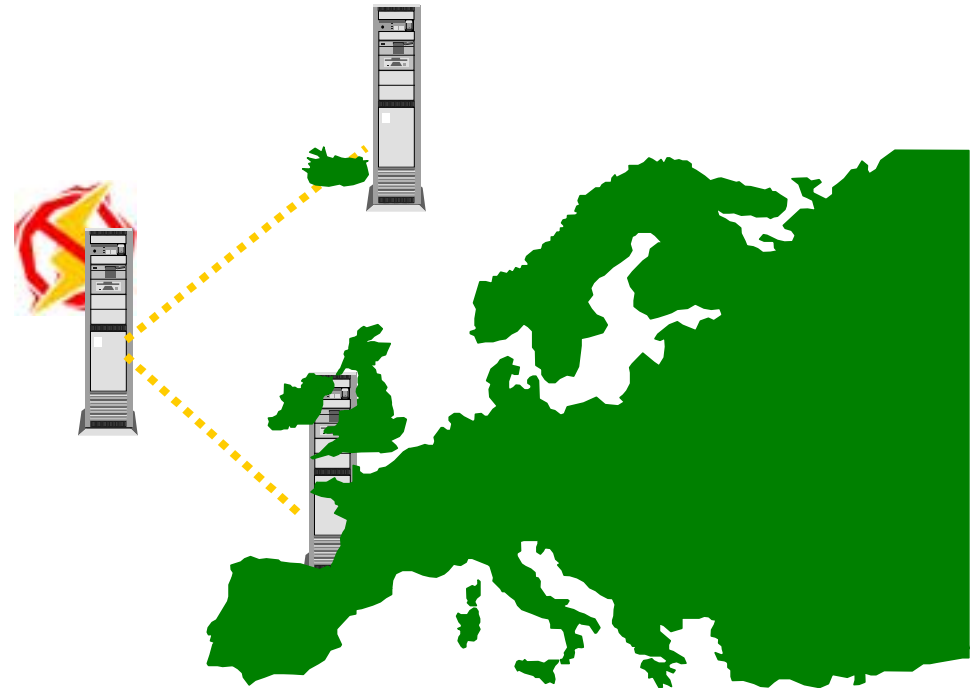
- ▼ 1 - Site Disaster Recovery
- ▼ 2 - Information Distribution
- ▼ 3 - Off-host processing or backup
- ▼ 4 - Wide-Area HA (migration)
(Clustering section)

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Disaster Recovery

- ▼ Replicate critical information to a disaster-safe location
- ▼ Replicate data over WAN
- ▼ Current data at remote hot site
- ▼ Replicate entire environment (not just logs)
- ▼ Data ALWAYS consistent (integrity)



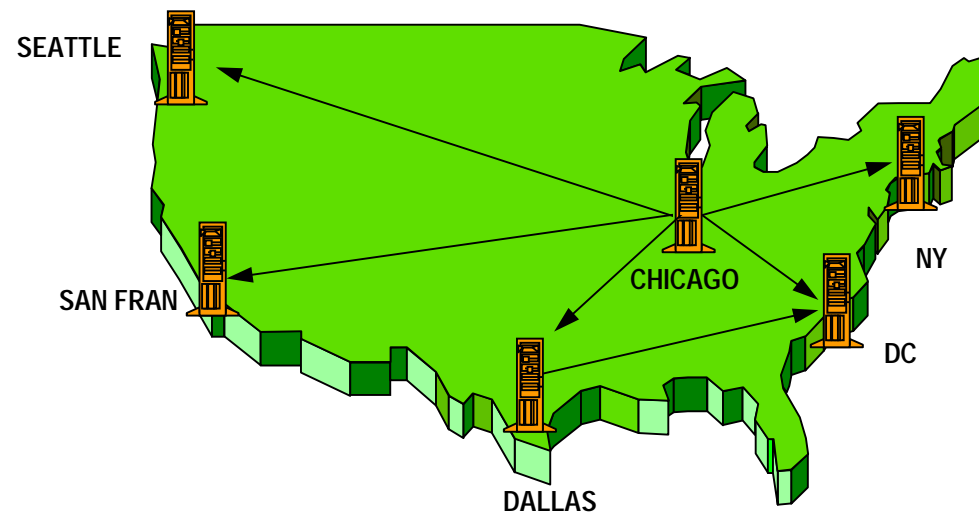
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Information Distribution

▼ Efficiently keep web data synchronized

- One to many (one source, many targets)
- Keep multiple Web or information servers totally in sync
- User controllable bandwidth usage

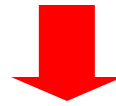


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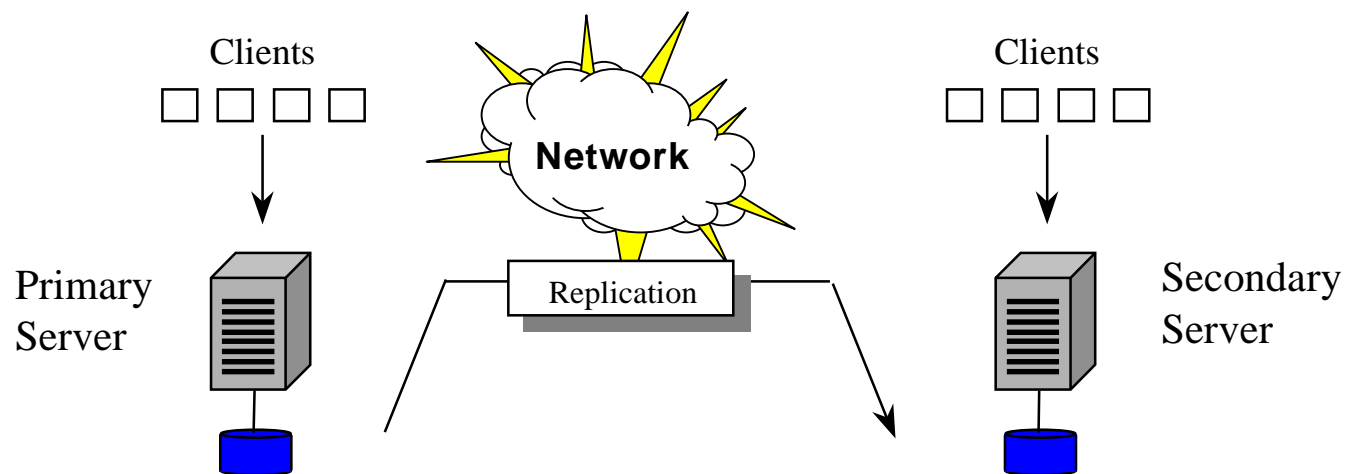
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Off-host Processing Block-Level Replication

- ▼ Off-load processing of maintenance tasks to secondary server
- ▼ Backups or any decision support can then be performed on data on second system
- ▼ Low CPU and network usage due to only replicating changed data blocks



Higher Performance on Primary Server





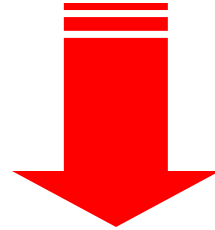
Clustering for Continuous Data Availability



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Business Without Interruption

- ▼ Database environments increasingly complex



Increased Risk to
Data & Bottom Line

**Storage Management Software
Helps Mitigate Risk**

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Clusters Help Solve E-business Problems

- ▼ **Take over for failed server or crashed application**
- ▼ **Load balance among servers**
- ▼ **Connect clients to alternate data paths if network links fail**
- ▼ **Recovery from site disasters**
- ▼ **Help meet service level agreements**

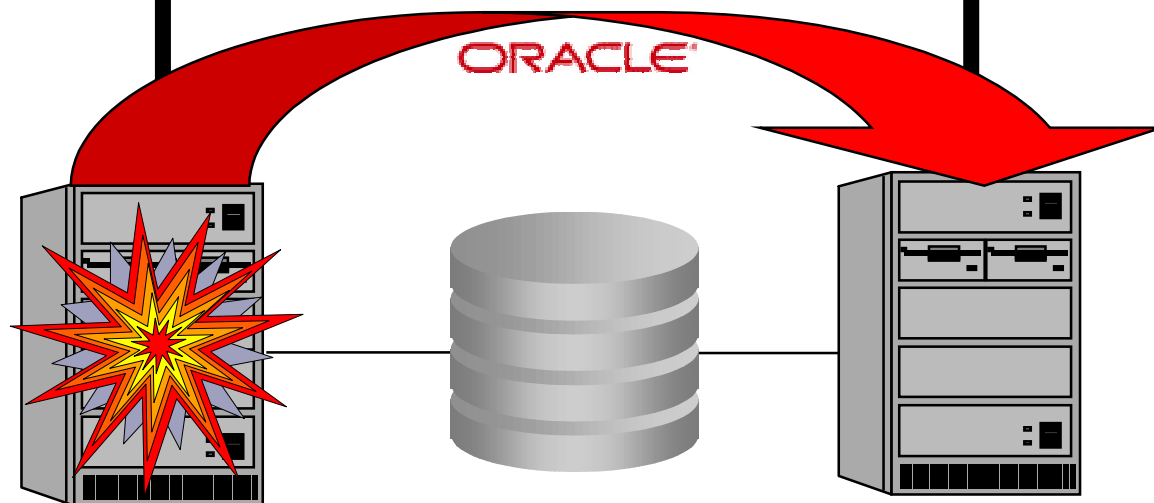
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High Availability

▼ Why?

- Service resumes with minimal impact
- Administrator fixes problem in own time rather than with users shouting!



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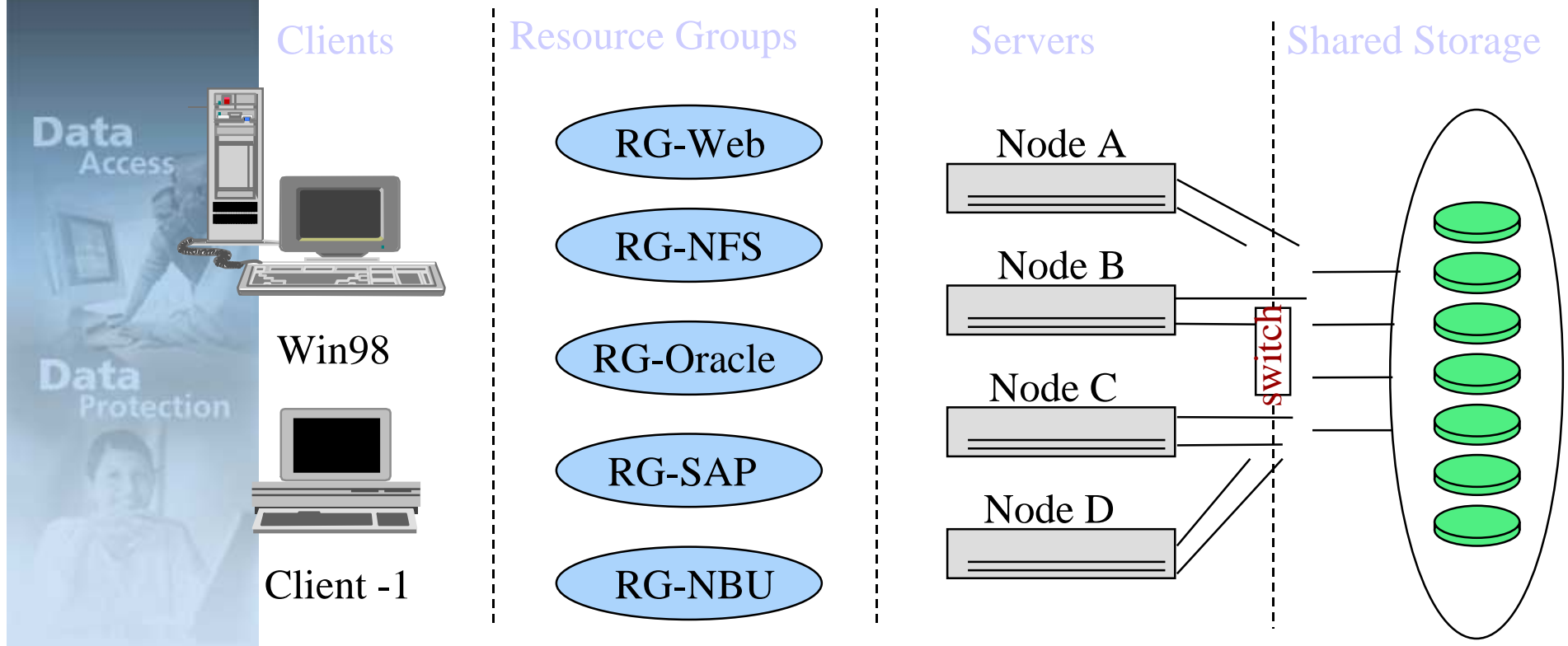
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Clustering

▼ **Cluster: a type of parallel or distributed system that:**

- Consists of a collection of interconnected whole computers,
- And is used as a single, unified computing resources

Pfister - In Search of Clusters

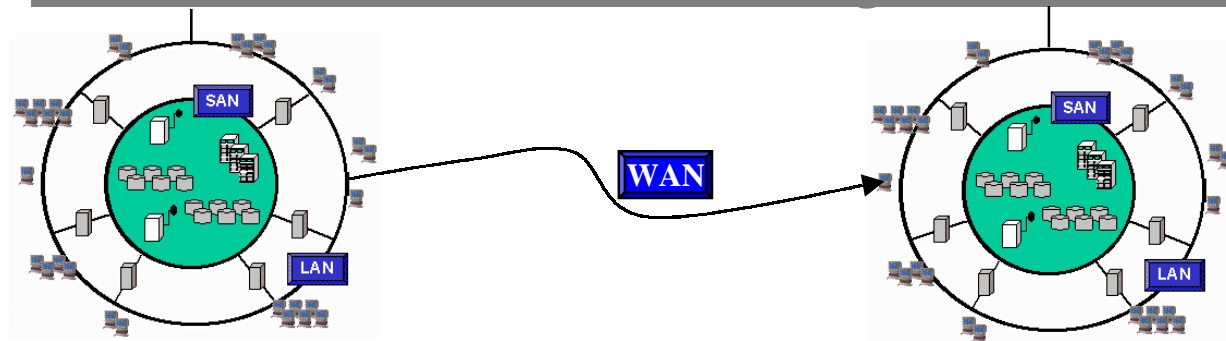


Wide Area Failover/migration

- ▼ Monitor and control of multi-heterogeneous clusters at multiple sites
- ▼ Disaster recovery between sites (data replicated in real-time)
- ▼ Ability to trigger action on a cluster based on events on other clusters
- ▼ Follow-the-sun migration



Wide Area Clustering



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Efficient Data Management for Data Protection



Backup Policies for E-Business

- ▼ **When to Back Data Up**
 - Windows shrinking, data growing
- ▼ **What Data to Back Up**
 - Seldom vs. frequently changing data
- ▼ **Where to Back Data Up**
 - local, remote, SAN
- ▼ **Optimize Flexibility, Reliability, and Utilization of Resources to Better Meet Service Level Agreements**

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Protection Techniques - Backup & Restore

- ▼ **Can use recovery manager as the interface to many backup and restore techniques**
- ▼ **Online backup**
 - Requires efficient creation of consistent, point-in-time image (snapshot)
 - To backup to other media (disk or tape) & discard
 - To maintain as an online copy than can be restored (rollback)
- ▼ **Incremental backup**
 - Only copy data that has changed
- ▼ **Fast restoration of a consistent, point-in-time image**

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Snapshot Technologies

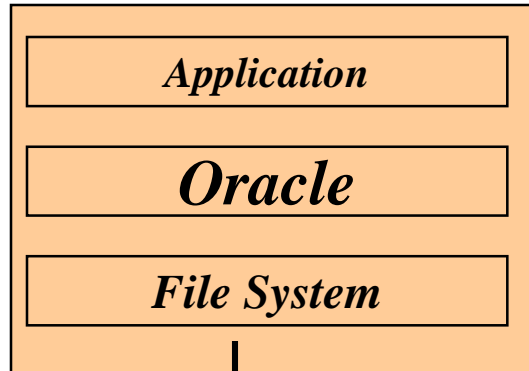
- ▼ **Snapshot = instant-in-time, online image of a database**
 - Used for online backup and rollback
- ▼ **Snapshot technologies**
 - Mirror break-off
 - High storage costs (= size of database)
 - Easy to access mirror from other server
 - Examples: EMC Symmetrix, VxVM volume manager (future)
 - Copy-on-write
 - Low storage costs (= size of changed data)
 - Access by other server through cluster file system (future)
 - Example: VxFS file system storage checkpoints

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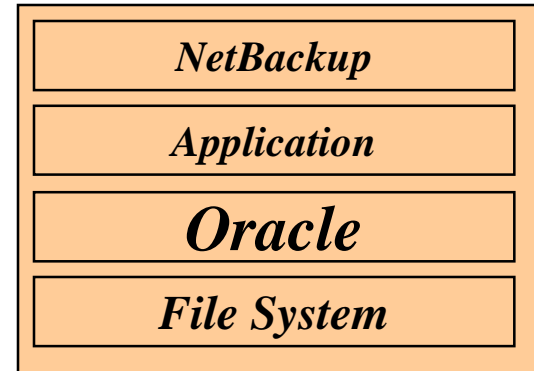
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Off-host / Online Backup by Separate Backup Server Using a Split Mirror

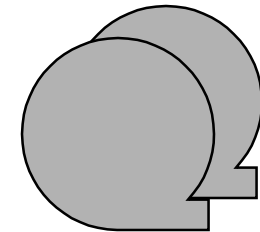
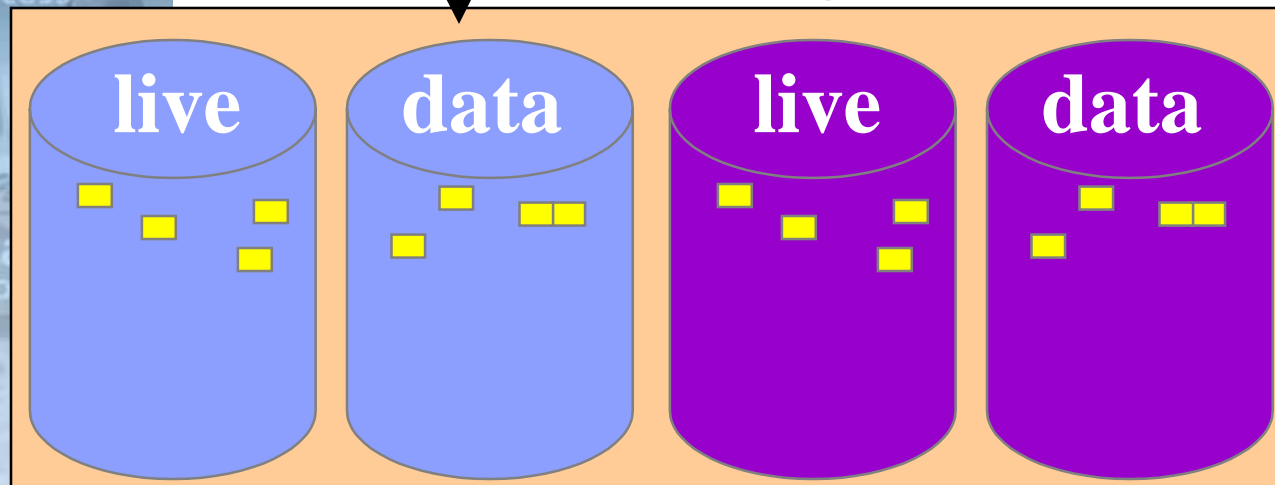
application server



secondary server



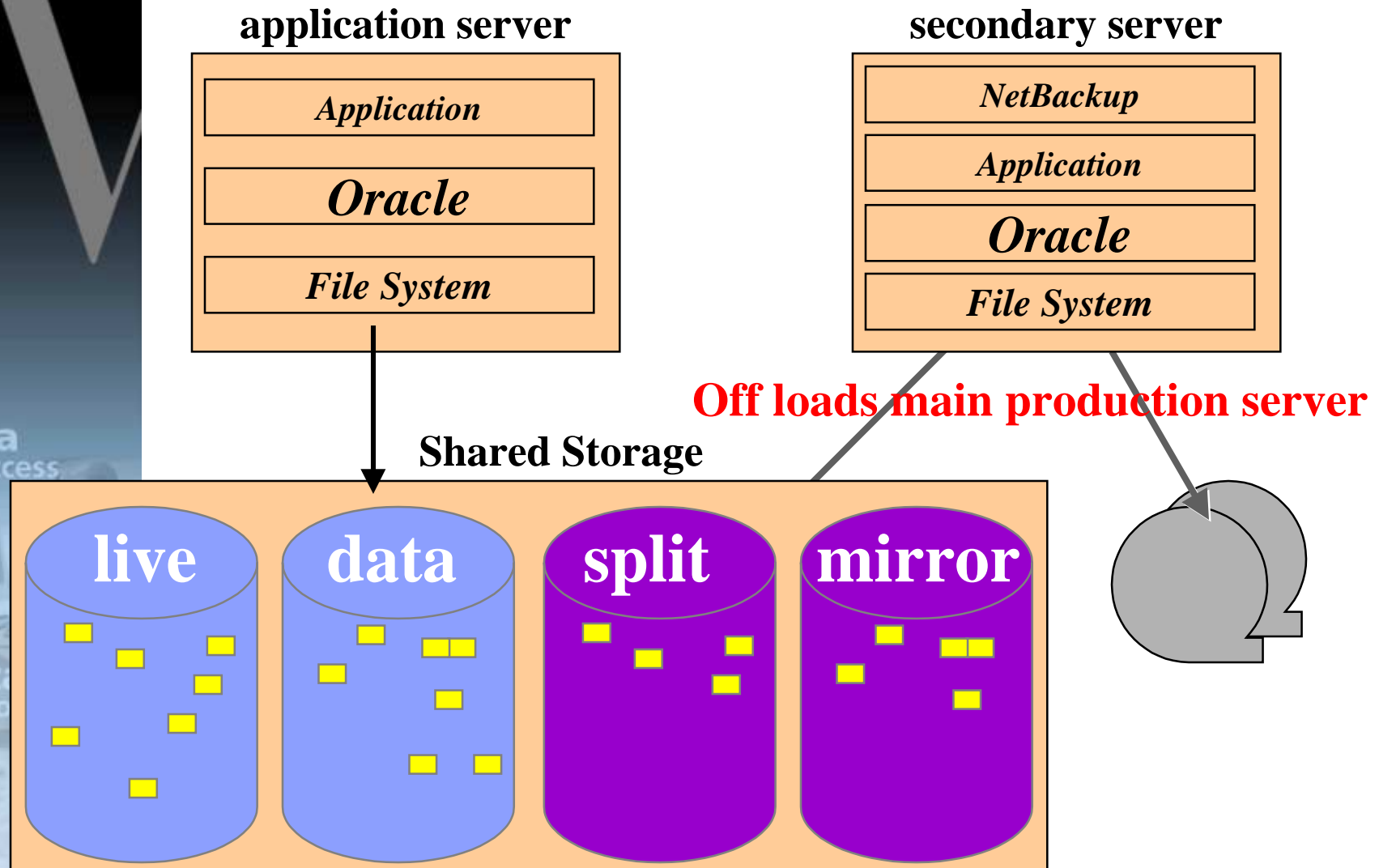
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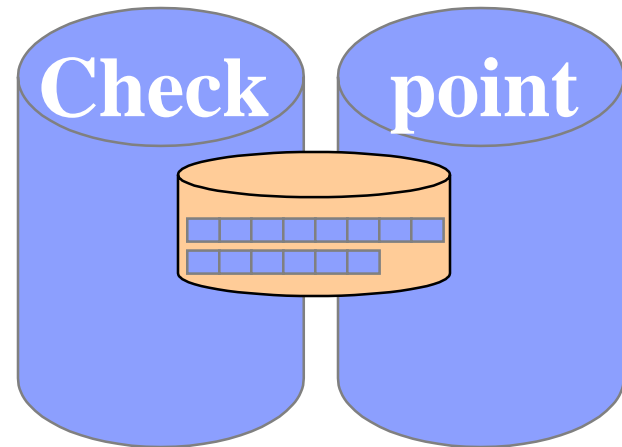
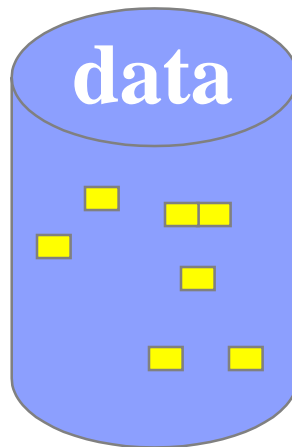
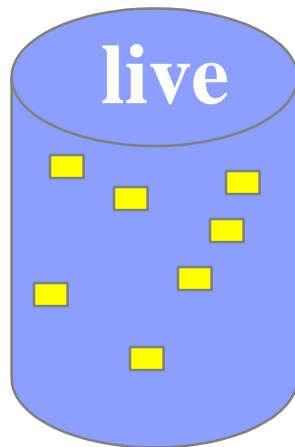


VxFS Storage Checkpoints

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*A Storage Checkpoint is a stable snapshot of a Database....
....that only uses a small amount of storage*

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Online Full Backup

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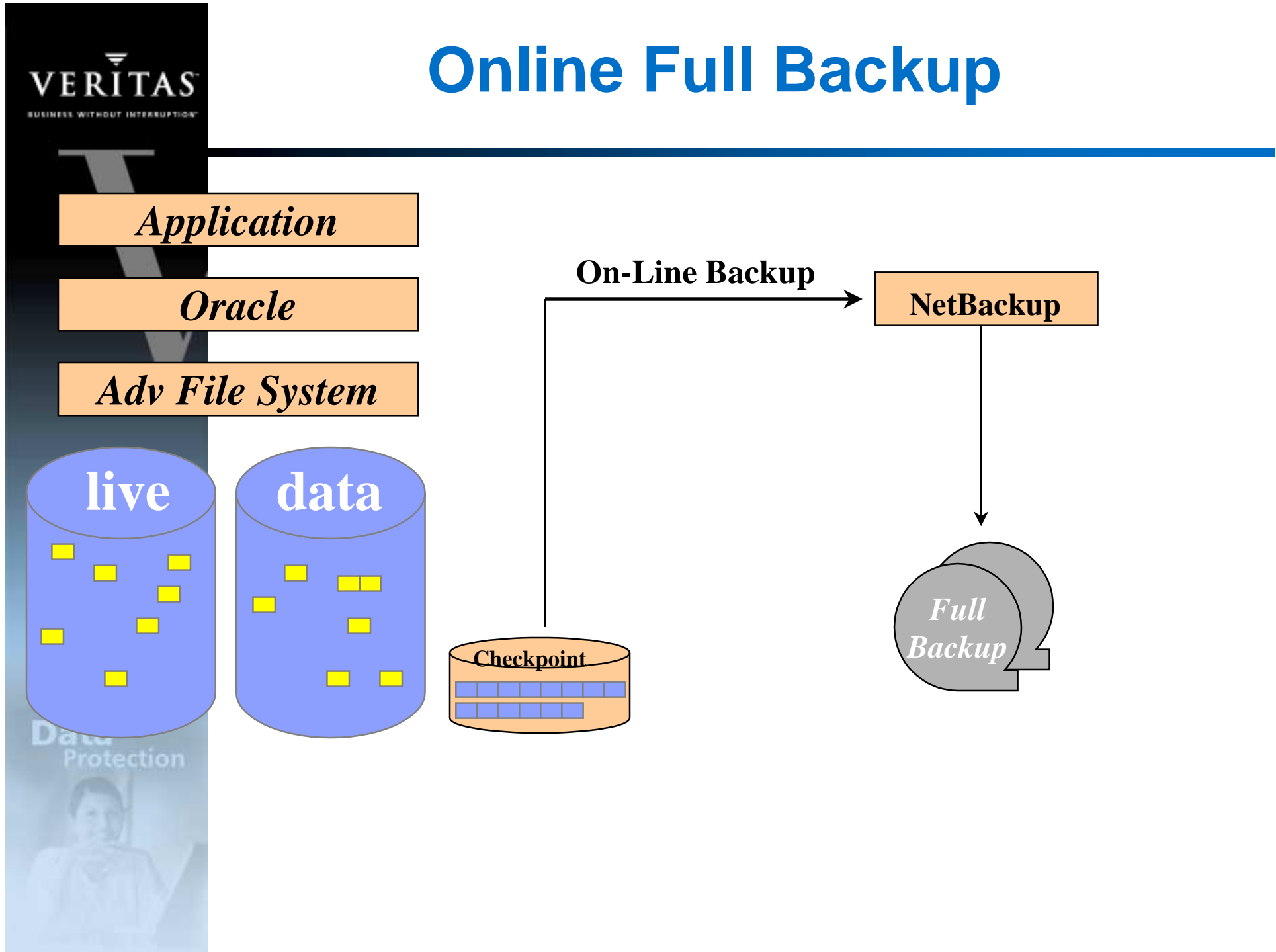
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Checkpoint

On-Line Backup

NetBackup

Full Backup



Online Incremental Backup for Oracle

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Checkpoint 2

Checkpoint 1

changed blocks
since previous
Checkpoint

NetBackup

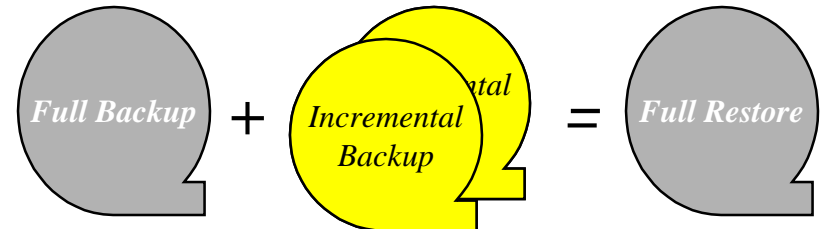
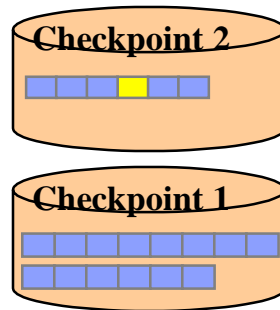
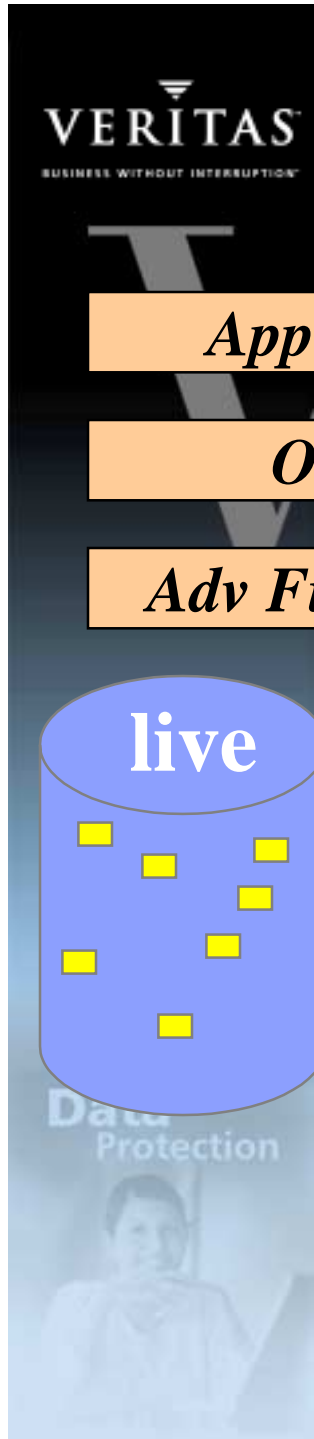
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Incremental Backup

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Full Restore



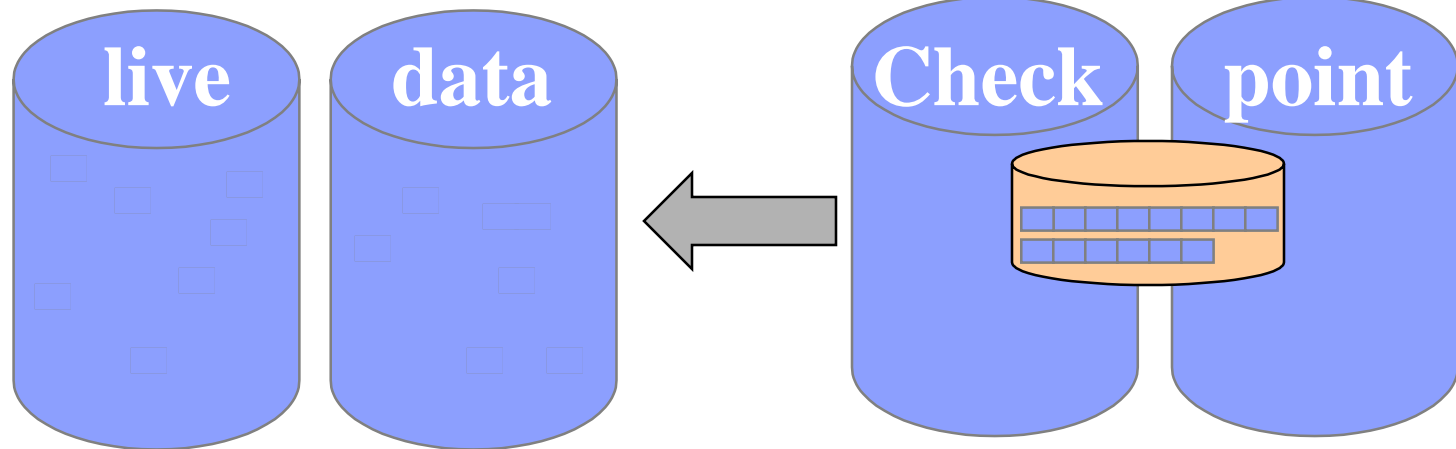
VxFS Storage Checkpoint & Storage Rollback

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**Software or
Human error**



Instantaneous recovery from logical data corruption

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Restore Techniques

▼ Full restore from tape backup

- Very slow restore
- Low frequency backup -> long log replay

▼ Changed data restore

- From incremental backup on disk or tape
 - Slow, but protects against media failures
- From broken-off mirror
 - Instantaneous, but expensive in storage costs
 - Resynchronization in background- resource intensive
- Rollback from a snapshot
 - Fast recovery from logical data corruption
- Restore to more recent image means shorter log replay

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Storage Management

- ▼ Integration of Data Management, Clustering & Replication, Disk & File Management, Databases, and Hardware Subsystems to Increase

- ▼ Performance

- ▼ Availability

- ▼ Manageability

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of Oracle Databases for E-Business