



IBM **Spectrum Scale**

IBM Spectrum Scale Update

UK User Group Meeting 2017
Manchester – May 9th+10th, 2017

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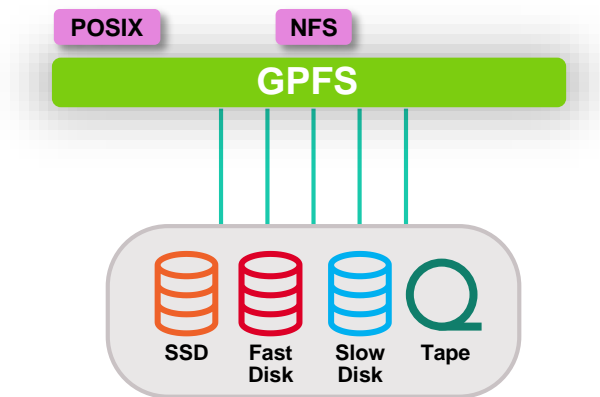
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GPFS is changing ...



- 1993: Started as “Tiger Shark” research project at IBM Research Almaden as high performance filesystem for accessing and processing multimedia data
- Next 20 years: Grew up as General Parallel File System (GPFS) to power the world’s largest supercomputers
- Since 2014: Transforming to IBM Spectrum Scale to support new workloads which need to process huge amounts of unstructured data

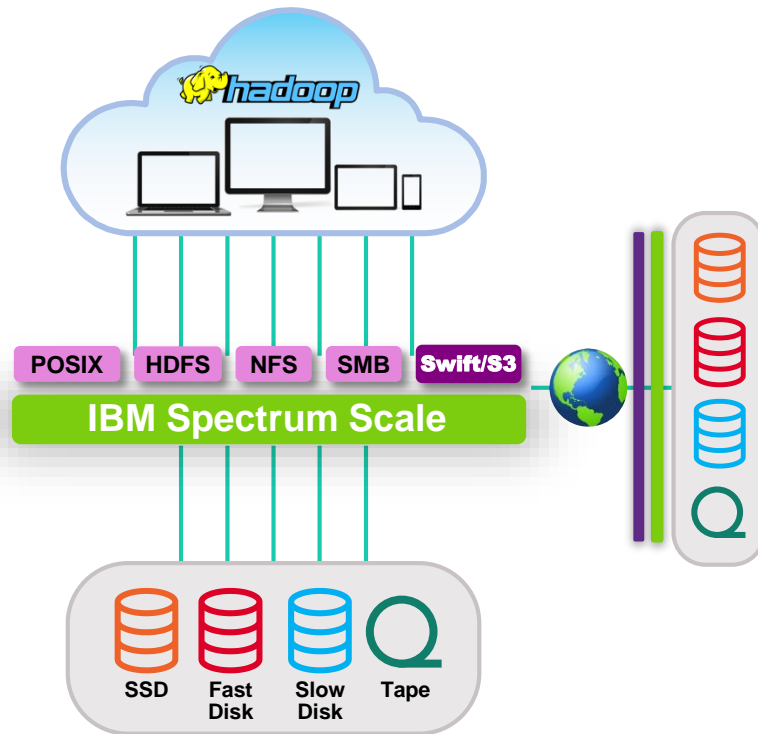


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- Based on GPFS, a robust, fast and mature parallel file system
- BUT: If you still just think GPFS, you miss:
 - Support for workflows which for example inject data via object, analyze results via Hadoop/Spark and view results via POSIX
 - Storing and accessing large and small objects (S3 and Swift) with low latency
 - Automatic destaging of cold data to on premise or off premise object storage
 - Exchange of data between Spectrum Scale clusters via object storage in the cloud
 - Storing and starting OpenStack VMs without copying them from object storage to local file system
 - GUI, Grafana Bridge, REST API
 - iSCSI boot
 - And many, many more

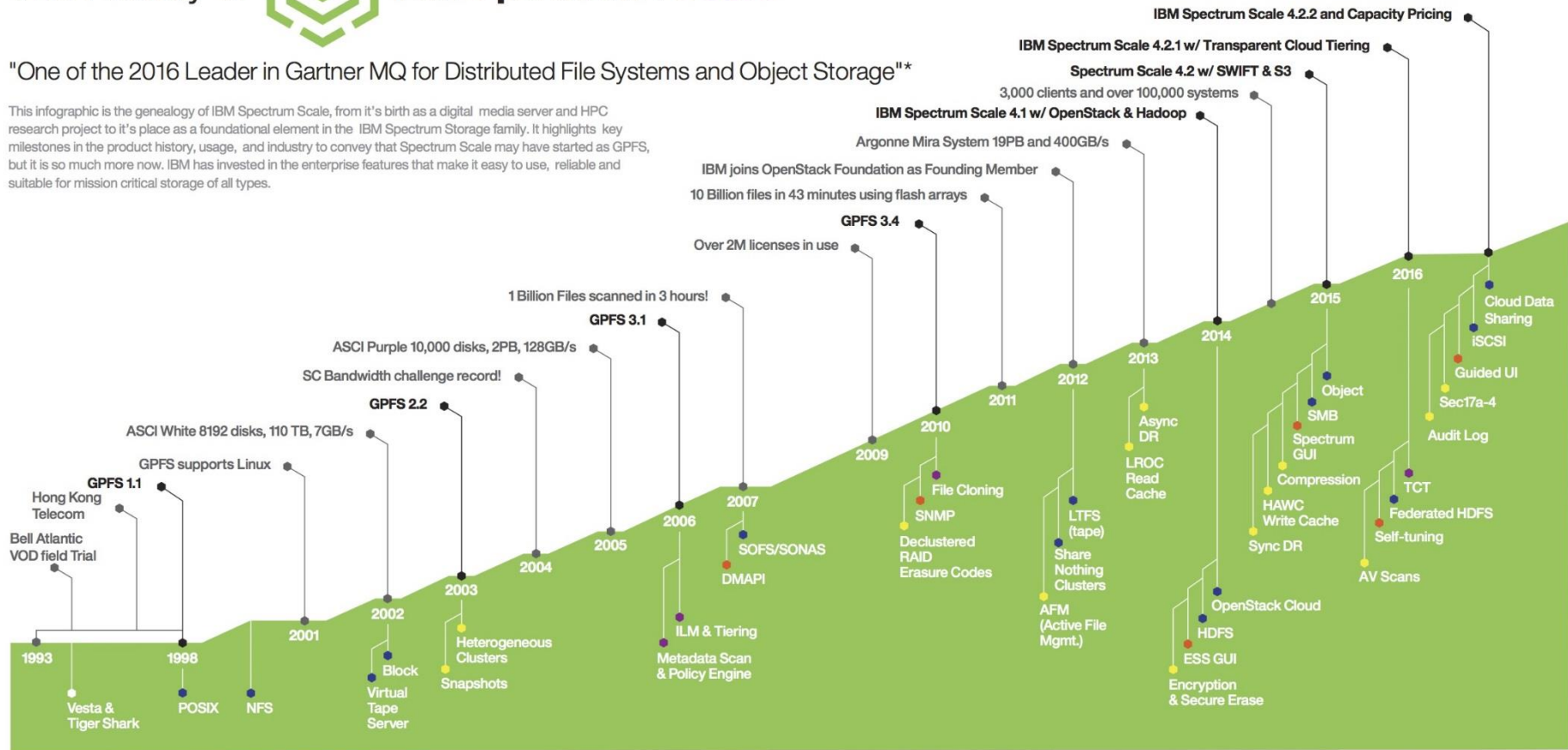


The History of IBM Spectrum Scale



"One of the 2016 Leader in Gartner MQ for Distributed File Systems and Object Storage"*

This infographic is the genealogy of IBM Spectrum Scale, from its birth as a digital media server and HPC research project to its place as a foundational element in the IBM Spectrum Storage family. It highlights key milestones in the product history, usage, and industry to convey that Spectrum Scale may have started as GPFS, but it is so much more now. IBM has invested in the enterprise features that make it easy to use, reliable and suitable for mission critical storage of all types.



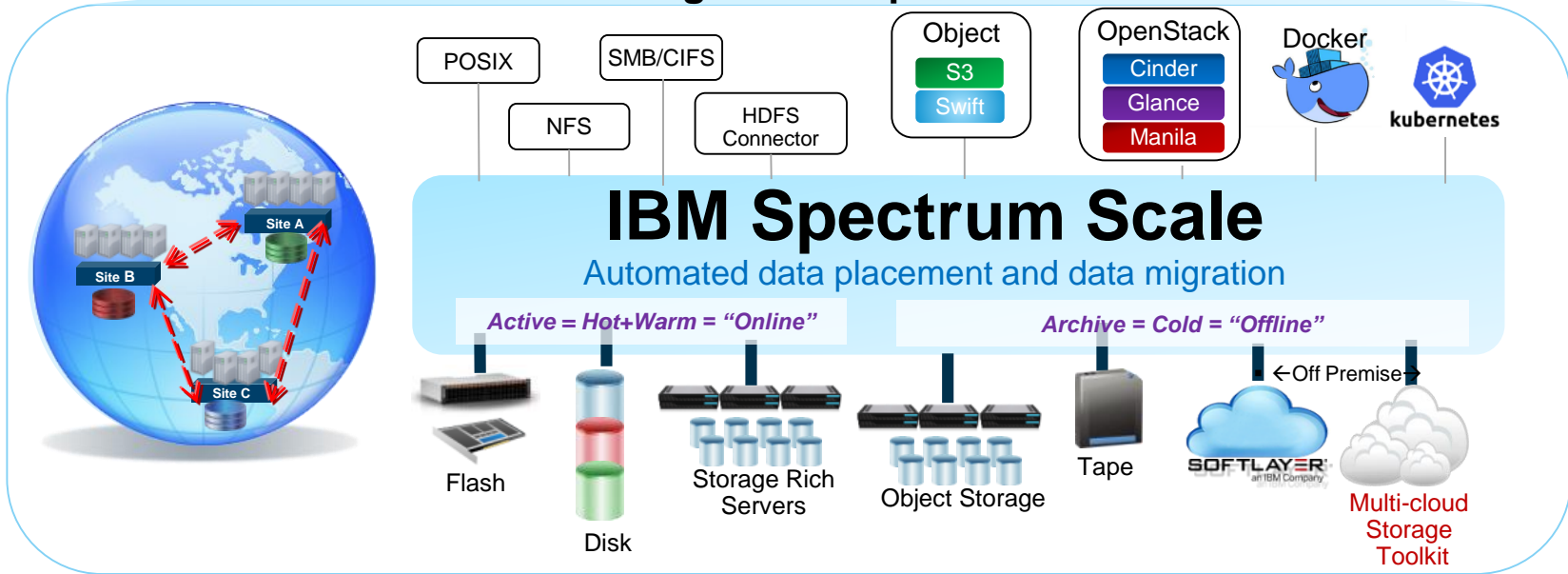
* Gartner, Magic Quadrant for Distributed File Systems and Object Storage, 20 October 2016, Document No. G00307798



Unleash New Storage Economics on a Global Scale



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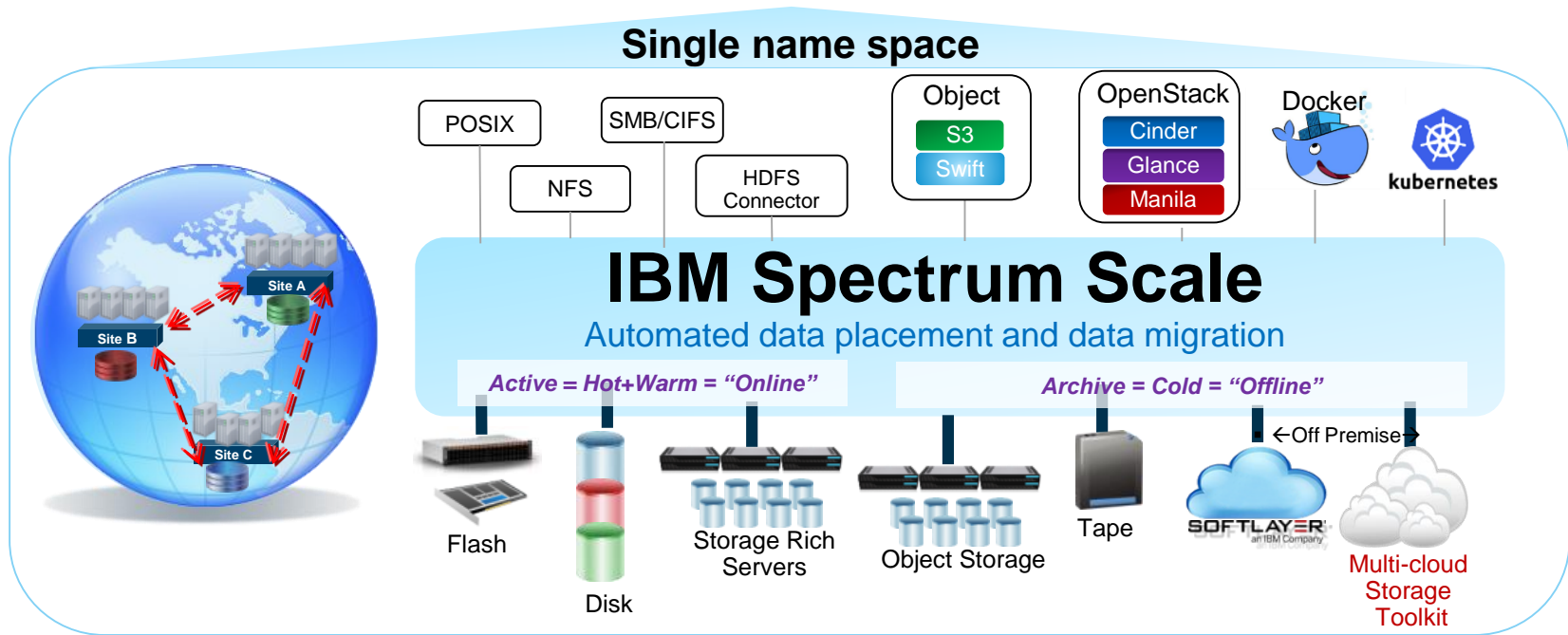
1) Understand Use Case

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Virtual
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2) Define the Spectrum Scale Configuration

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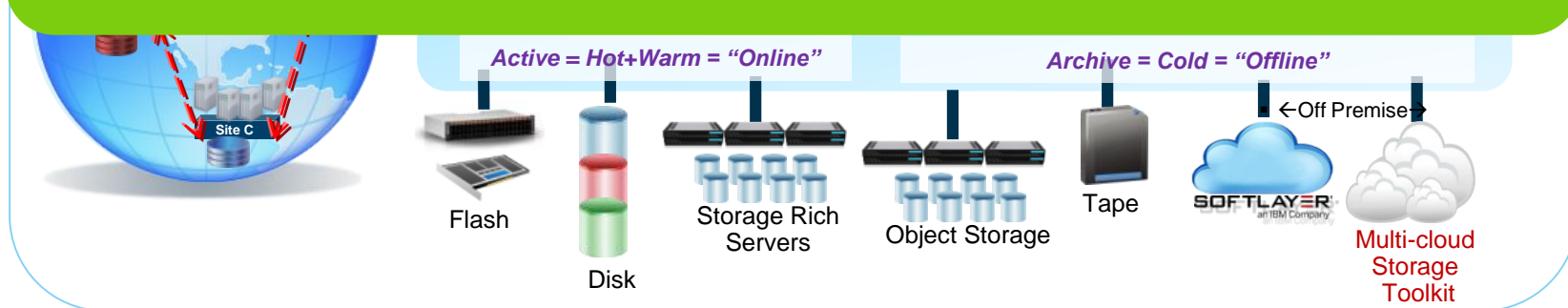
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3) Select Best of Breed Storage

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4) Network is Integral Part of End-to-end Solution

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What is CORAL

Collaboration of DOE Oak Ridge, Argonne, and Lawrence Livermore National Labs

- Established in early 2014 to leverage supercomputing investments, streamline procurement processes and reduce costs to develop supercomputers
 - “High-performance computing is an essential component of the science and technology portfolio required to maintain U.S. competitiveness and ensure our economic and national security”
 - U.S. Secretary of Energy Ernest Moniz
- Two new High Performance Computing (HPC) awards announced in November 2014
 - Both CORAL awards leverage the IBM Power Architecture, NVIDIA’s Volta GPU and Mellanox’s Interconnected technologies to advance key research initiatives for national nuclear deterrence, technology advancement and scientific discovery
 - Oak Ridge National Laboratory’s (ORNL’s) new system, Summit, is expected to provide at least five times the performance of ORNL’s current leadership system, Titan
 - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory’s (LLNL’s) new supercomputer, Sierra, is expected to be at least seven times more powerful than LLNL’s current machine, Sequoia.

Source: <http://energy.gov/articles/departments-energy-awards-425-million-next-generation-supercomputing-technologies>

CORAL Systems

- **LLNL's Sierra system**

- ~4000 Power9 nodes with GPU acceleration
- ~2.3 PB system memory (include DDR & HBM; does not include NVMe)
- Dual-rail InfiniBand EDR fat tree network or better
- ~120 PF
- ~9 MW

- **ORNL's Summit system**

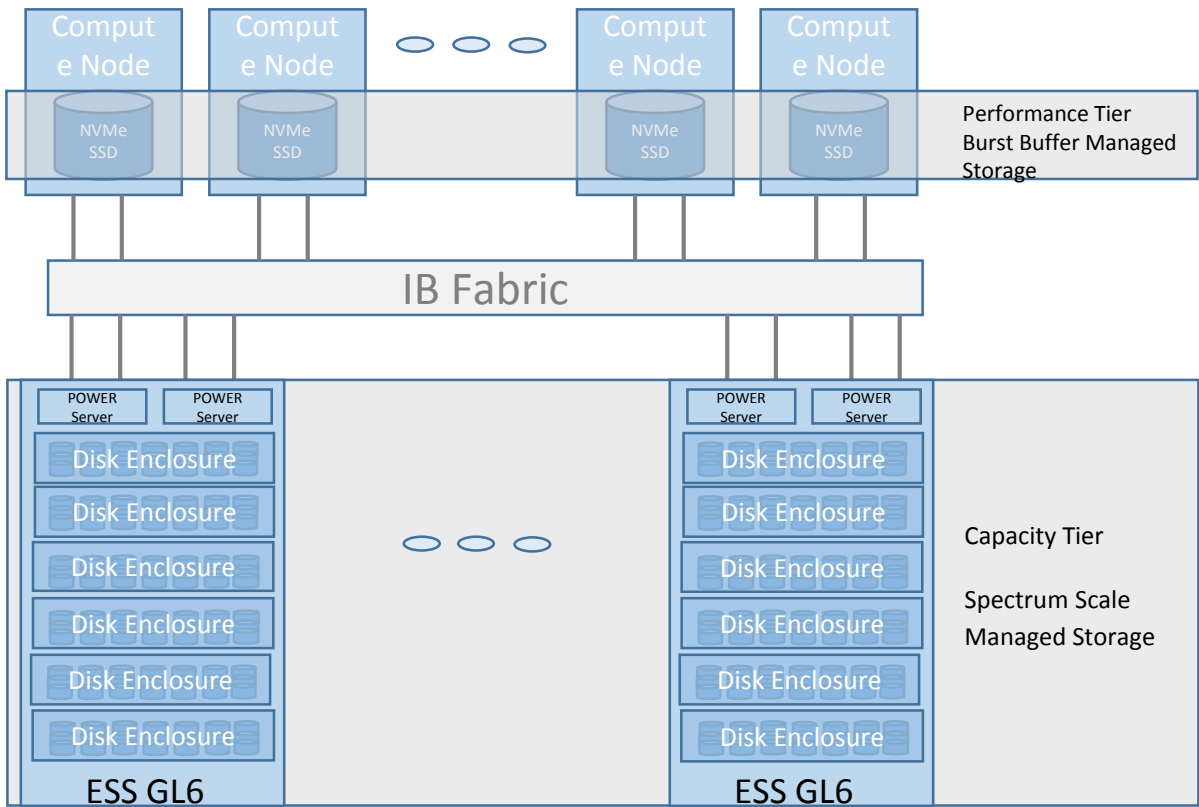
- ~4500 Power9 nodes with GPU acceleration
- ~ 2.7 PB system memory (include DDR & HBM; does not include NVMe)
- Dual-rail InfiniBand EDR fat tree network or better
- ~200 PF peak
- ~13 MW

CORAL System Storage Overview

Storage architecture

- Need for a burst buffer/performance tier
 - Lowers traditional spinning disk & lower power consumption
 - Node local NVMe SSD managed by Burst Buffer Software
- Capacity requirement – ESS Storage
- Performance/Scaling requirements – Spectrum Scale Software

CORAL Storage Overview



http://files.gpfsug.org/presentations/2016/SC16/11_Sarp_Oral_Gautam_Shah_Spectrum_Scale_Enhancements_for_CORAL_v2.pdf

Spider 3 @ OLCF

Spider 3 is a center-wide single namespace POSIX file system to serve all OLCF resources eliminating data islands, and enabling seamless data sharing between resources

- Built on IBM's Elastic Storage Server based on Power 9 Processor and uses Spectrum Scale (formerly known as GPFS) parallel filesystem technology utilizing GPFS Native RAID with 8+2 redundancy
- Provides a usable capacity of 250 PB
- Performs at an aggregate sequential peak read/write bandwidth of 2.5 TB/s
- Performs at an aggregate random peak read/write bandwidth of 2.2 TB/s
- Provides rich metadata performance; single directory parallel create rate of 50,000/s
- Provides rich interactive performance; @32 KiB I/O 2.6 million IOPs
- Disk-based, with tens of thousands of disks
- Connected to OLCF's SION 3 SAN with IB EDR
- Will also serve as the Summit Burst Buffer sink and source on the end-to-end I/O path

➔ See here for supporting Spectrum Scale Enhancements:

http://files.gpfsug.org/presentations/2016/SC16/11_Sarp_Oral_Gautam_Shah_Spectrum_Scale_Enhancements_for_CORAL_v2.pdf

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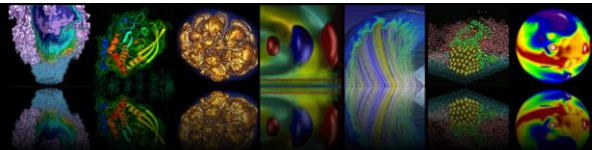
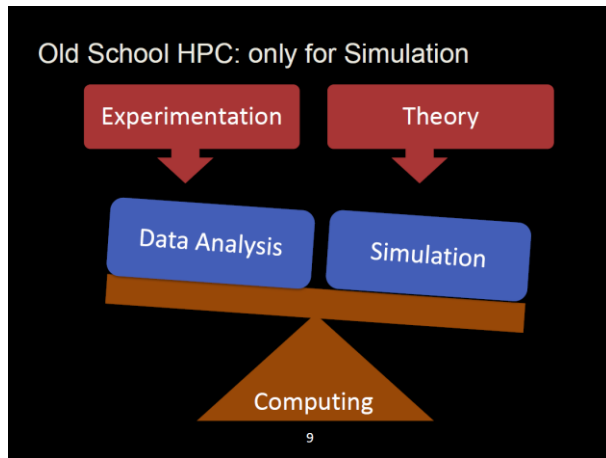
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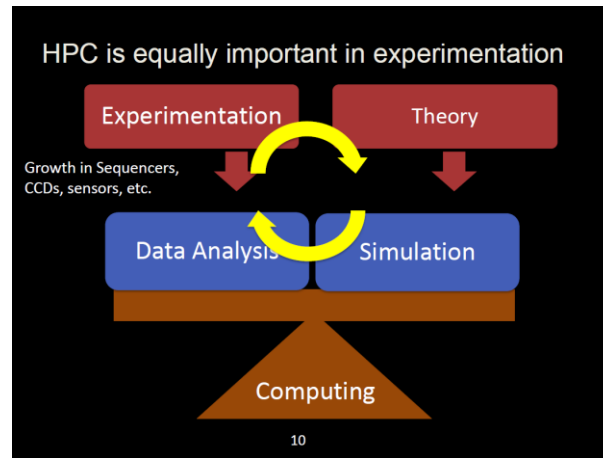
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Changes in Science



Extreme Data Science

The scientific process is poised to undergo a radical transformation based on the ability to access, analyze, simulate and combine large and complex data sets.

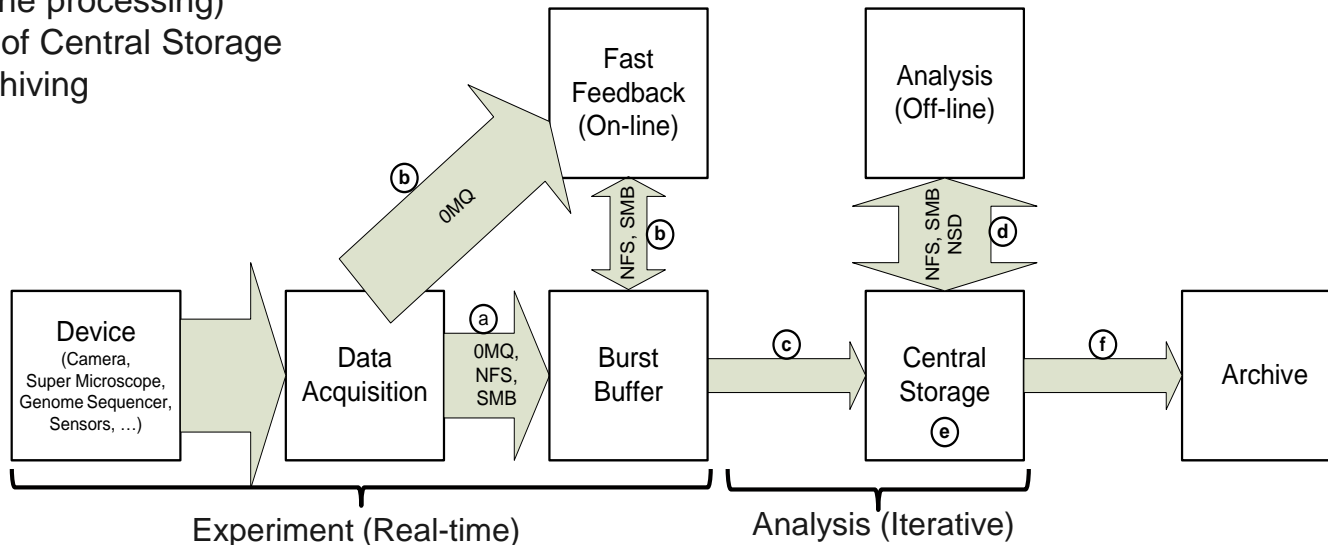


- Data driven science is getting the norm
- HPC gets integrated into the experiments to analyze huge amounts of measured data
- This shift is seen in scientific research and in industry (e.g. life-science, automotive)

https://science.energy.gov/~media/ascr/ascac/pdf/meetings/201609/Yelick_Superfacility-ASCAC_2016.pdf

Typical Workflow for Data Intensive Science

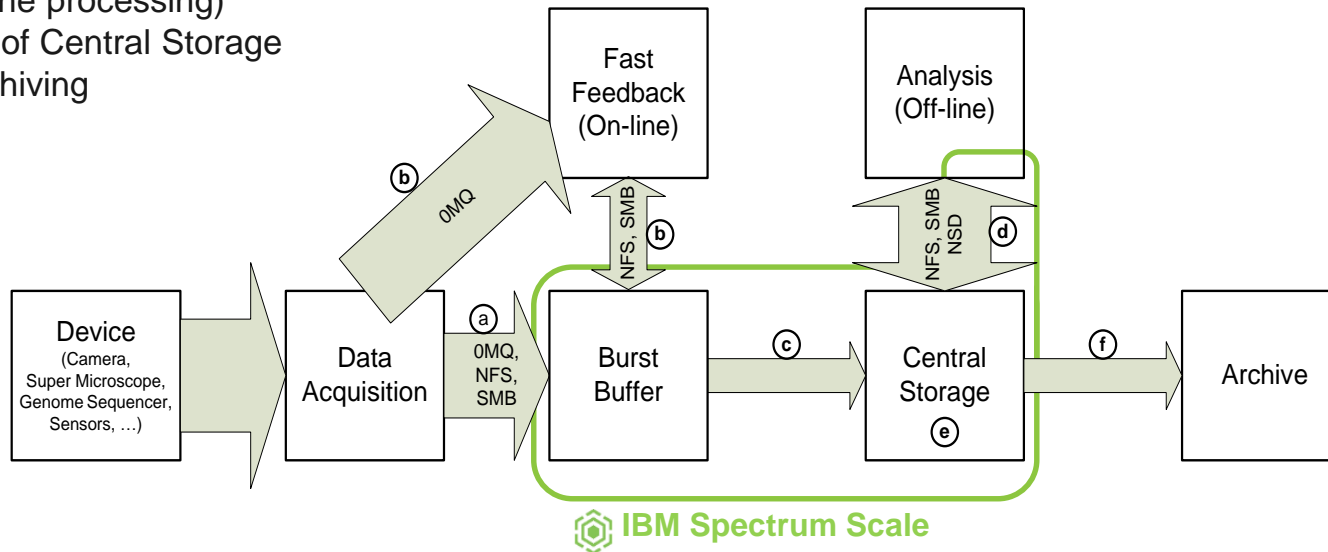
- a) Real-time data ingest (data acquisition)
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- e) Data management of Central Storage
- f) Long-term data archiving



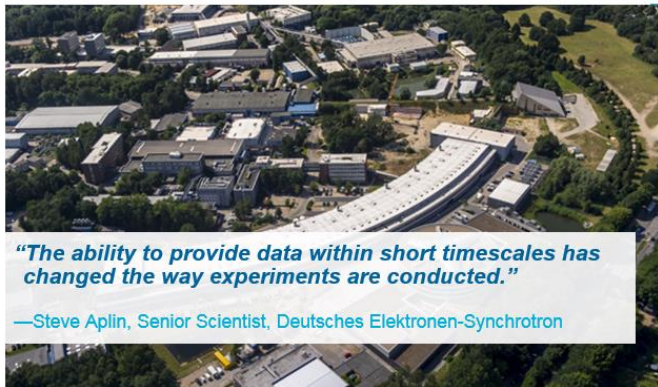
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- Scientists need access to data during each stage of the workflow
- IBM Spectrum Scale has proven to support this workflow



Business challenge

Research center Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron (DESY) found that increasingly resource-intensive experiments was affecting storage system performance, limiting research. How could the organization handle over five gigabytes of data streaming into its computing center every second?

Transformation

With a flexible, high-performance storage solution from IBM, DESY can meet growing demand cost-effectively. Scientists can now start analyzing the data in just a few minutes, instead of days, accelerating ground-breaking research.

Business benefits:

Ensures

DESY can easily maintain a multi-PB library of research data to meet growing demand and remain an attractive research destination

Rapid

access to millions of data points accelerates research and helps lead to breakthroughs

Increases

administration efficiency with automated data management, improving DESY's service offering

DESY

Making the next breakthrough in scientific research possible with the latest in storage innovation

DESY, Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron, is a national research center in Germany that operates particle accelerators and photon science facilities used to investigate the structure of matter. DESY is housed in Hamburg and Zeuthen, Germany, and attracts over 3,000 scientists from over 40 countries annually.

Solution components

- IBM® Spectrum Scale™
- IBM Spectrum Scale RAID
- IBM Elastic Storage™ Server GS1
- IBM Elastic Storage Server GL4 and GL6
- IBM Power® S822L
- IBM Systems Lab Services

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Current and Future Detector Rates

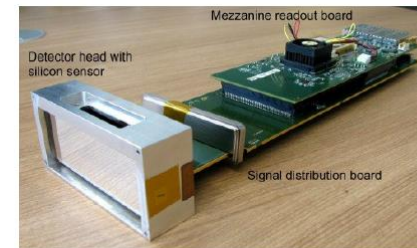
> Detectors exceeded capabilities of prev. system:

- Pilatus 300k: 1,2 MB Files @ 200 Hz
- Pilatus 6M: 25 MB files @ 25 Hz
7 MB files @ 100 Hz
- PCO Edge: 8 MB files @ 100Hz
- PerkinElmer: 16 MB + 700 Byte files @ 15 Hz
- Lambda: 60 Gb/s @ 2000 Hz (Future)
- Eiger: 30 Gb/s @ 2000 Hz (Future)

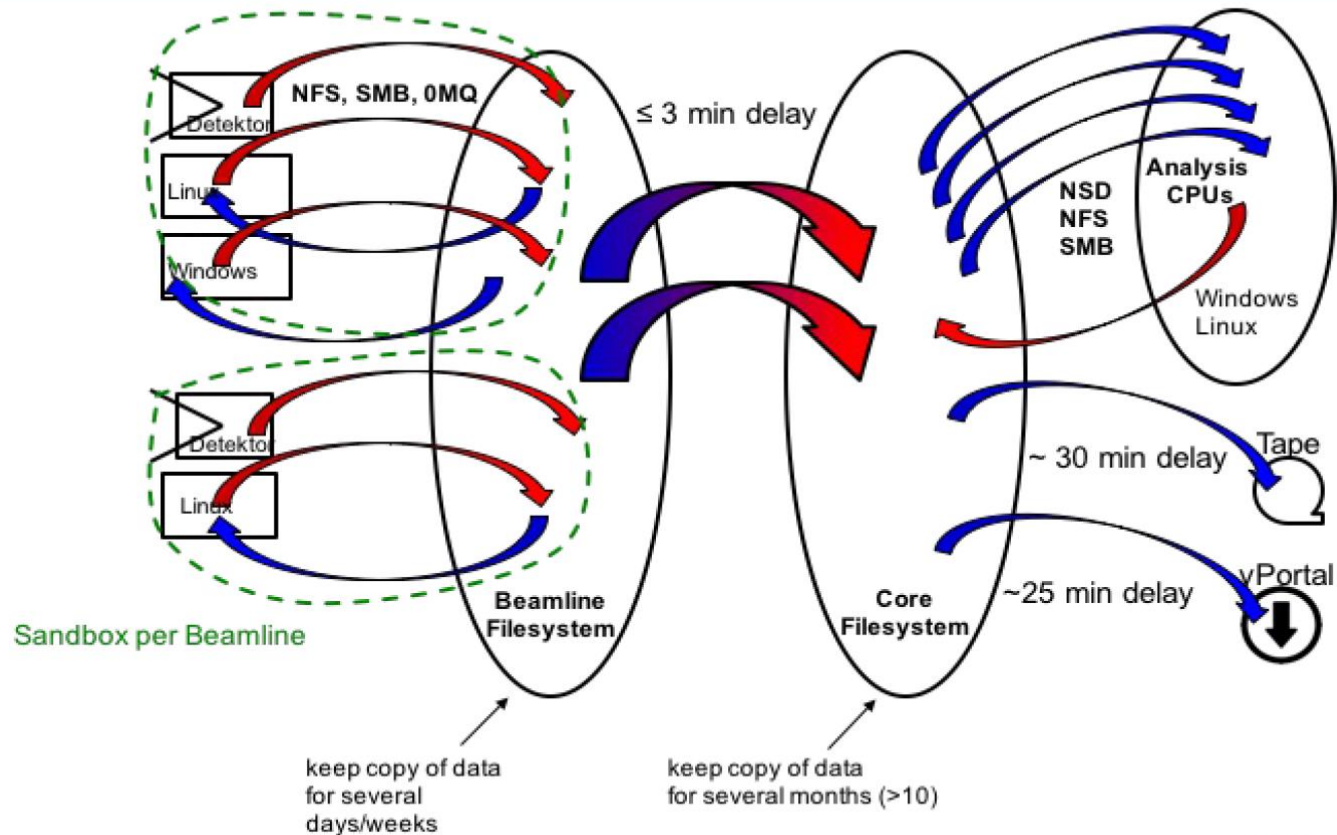


> GPFS is now used to handle those rates

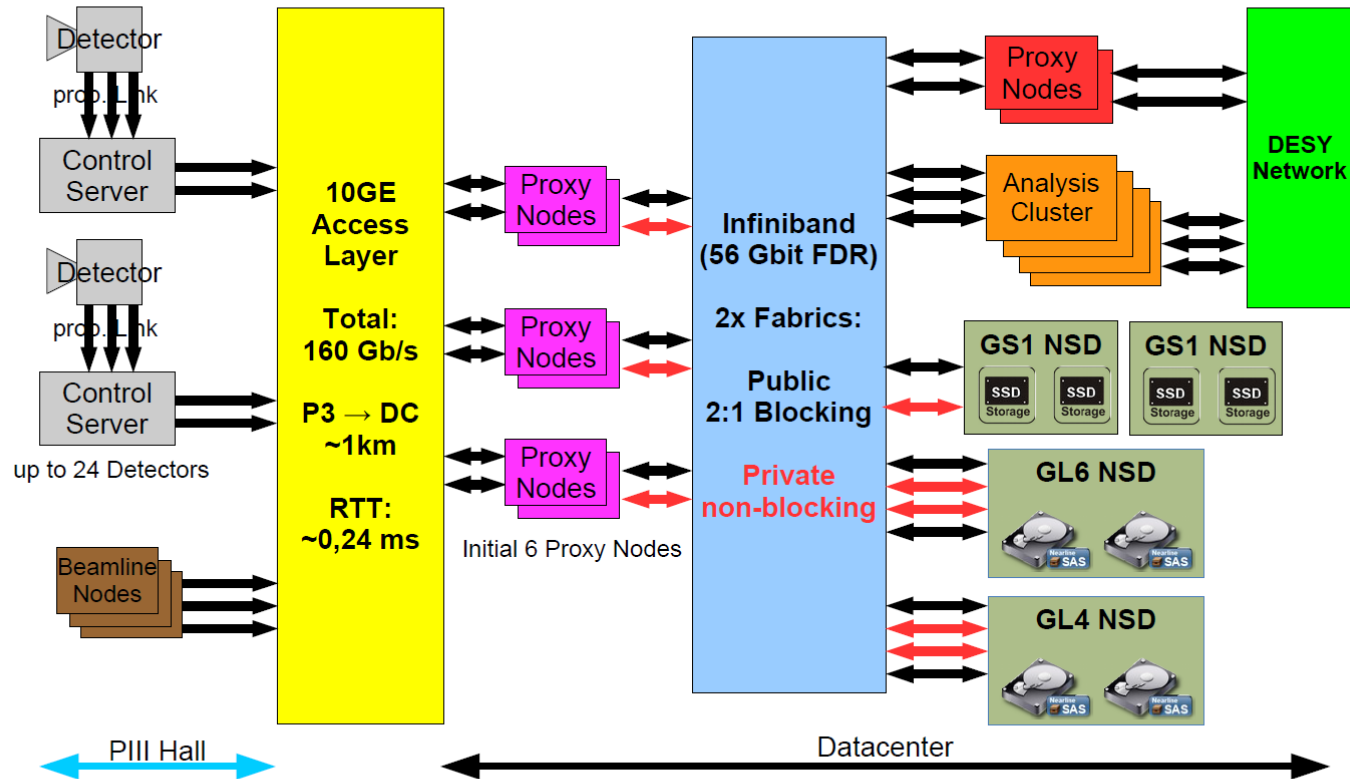
- SMB/NFS sufficient for current detectors
- Future detectors need new methods



from the cradle to the grave

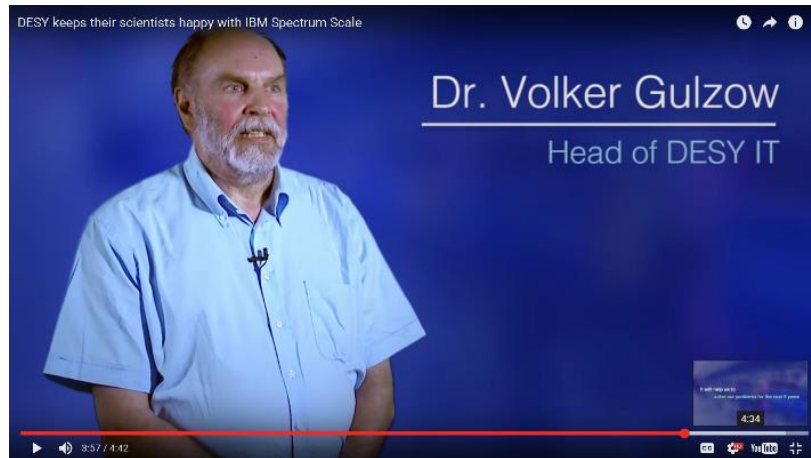


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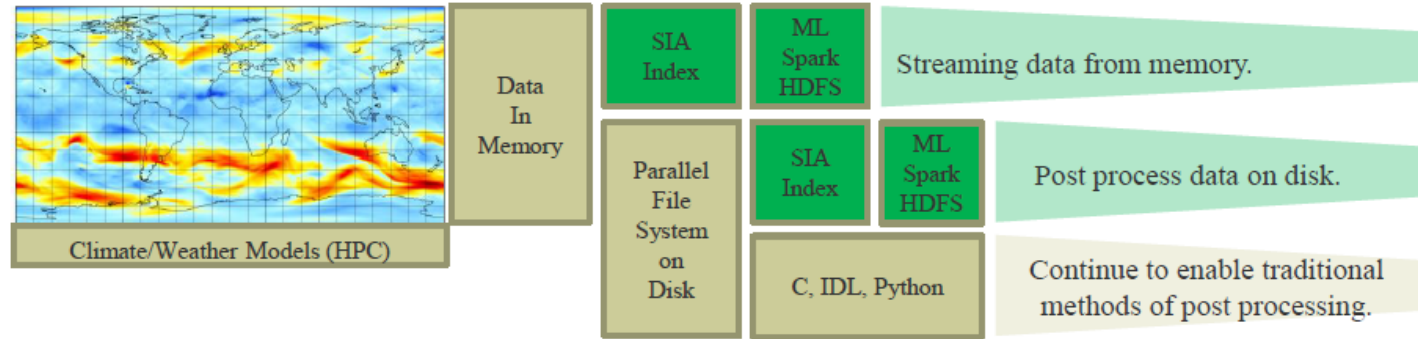


Resources

- Detailed whitepaper published by DESY at CHEP2015
<http://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1742-6596/664/4/042053>
- DESY presentation at IBM Edge 2015:
<http://www.slideshare.net/UlfTroppens/desy-ibm-edge2015-technical-computing-for-photon-science-20150520v2>
- DESY presentation at ALICE, ATLAS, CMS & LHCb Second Joint Workshop on DAQ@LHC:
<https://indico.cern.ch/event/471309/contributions/1981091/attachments/1257042/1856128/gpfs-for-p3xfel.pdf>
- IBM customer story with video and four page pdf:
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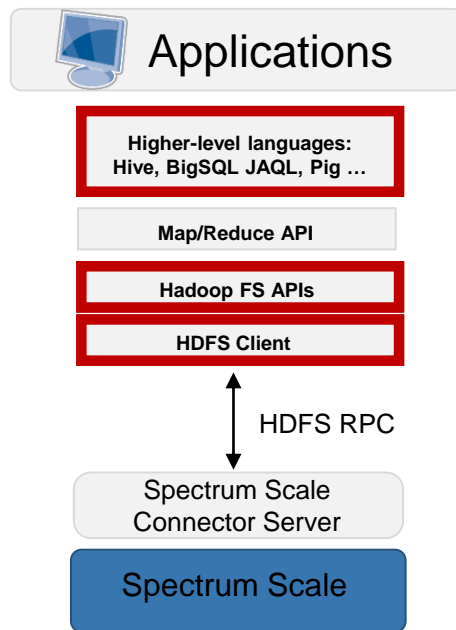


Future of Data Analytics

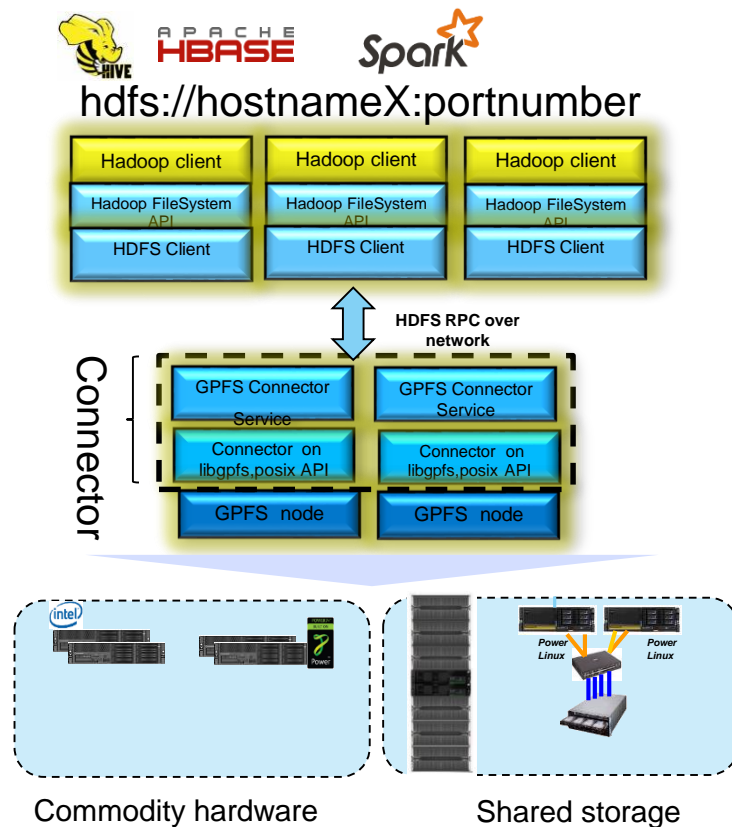


- Future HPC systems must be able to efficiently transform information into knowledge using both traditional analytics and emerging *machine learning* techniques.
- Requires the ability to be able to index data in memory and/or on disk and enable analytics to be performed on the data where it resides – even in memory
- All without having to modify the data

New Spectrum Scale HDFS Transparency Design



Supported Hadoop versions: 2.7.1





IBM Delivers New Platform to Help Clients Address Storage Challenges at Massive Scale

Las Vegas, NV (IBM PartnerWorld) – 14 Feb 2017: IBM (NYSE: [IBM](#)) and Hortonworks (NASDAQ: HDP) today announced the planned availability of Hortonworks Data Platform (HDP®) for IBM Elastic Storage Server (ESS) and IBM Spectrum Scale. The agreement with Hortonworks will lead to certification of Hortonworks HDP on Power with IBM Spectrum Scale and Hortonworks HDP on x86 with IBM Spectrum Scale.

<https://hortonworks.com/press-releases/ibm-delivers-new-platform-help-clients-address-storage-challenges-massive-scale/>

Store everywhere. Run anywhere.

Content Repositories

Challenge

Object storage for static data

- Seamless scaling
- RESTful data access
- Object metadata replaces hierarchy
- Storage efficiency

Spectrum Scale Swift & S3

- High-performance for object
- Native OpenStack Swift support w/ S3
- File or object in; Object or file out
- Enterprise data protection
- Spectrum Scale RAID (ESS)
- Transparent ILM
- Encryption of data at rest and Secure Erase



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Analytics without complexity

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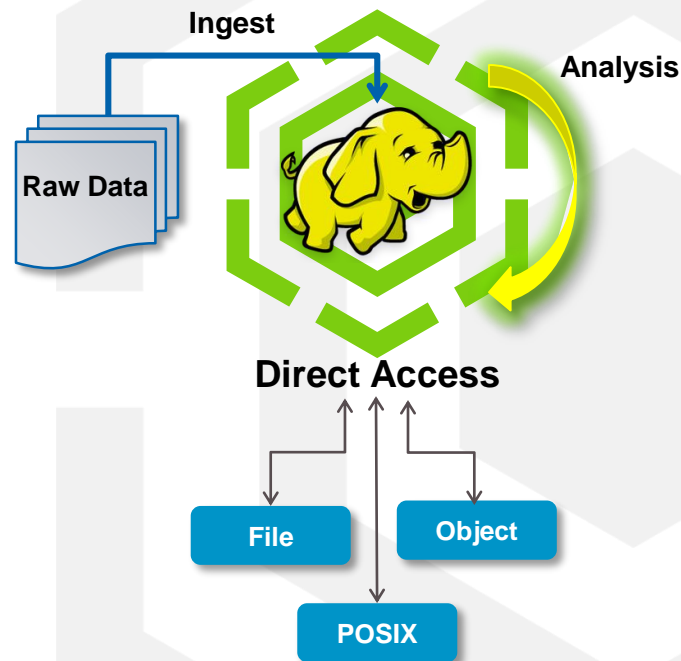
Separate storage systems for ingest, analysis, results

- HDFS requires locality aware storage (namenode)
- Data transfer slows time to results
- Different frameworks & analytics tools use data differently

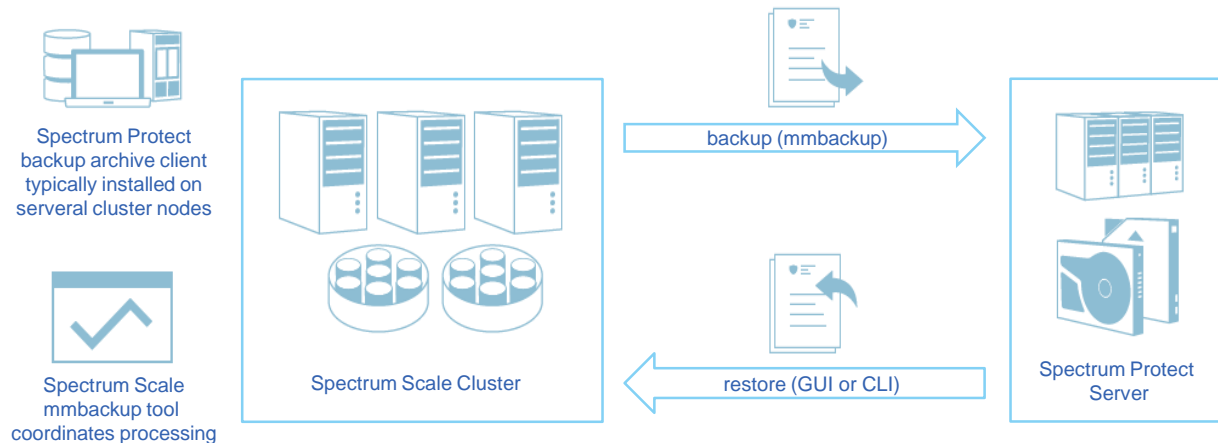
HDFS Transparency

- Map/Reduce on shared, or shared nothing storage
- No waiting for data transfer between storage systems
- Immediately share results
- Single 'Data Lake' for all applications
- Enterprise data management
- Archive and Analysis in-place

➔ Analyze object and file data without copying into HDFS



Backup Of Large Spectrum Scale File Systems



Function

- Massive parallel filesystem backup processing
- Spectrum Scale mmbackup creates local shadow of Spectrum Protect DB and uses policy engine to identify files for backup
- Spectrum Protect backup archive client is used under the hood to backup files to Spectrum Protect Server
- Spectrum Protect restore (CLI or GUI) can be used to restore files

- ➔ Use any backup program to backup file, object and Hadoop data
- ➔ Use Spectrum Protect to benefit from mmbackup and SOBAR to backup and restore huge amounts of data

Distributed workflows – University Queensland

Problem statement

- “At the moment if you store some data at this remote data centre in the cloud storage, and then you want to manipulate that on campus, you have to manually copy it, and then work on it locally and then send it back, or delete it, or whatever else, to manage it.”
- “The problem has been that until now, QRIScloud and the on-campus data centres have operated as separate storage silos”
- “This has made the process of storing and moving data from one location to another a less-than-user-friendly process for already busy researchers”

Customer Value

- “improve data access between its main campus and its off-site data centre”
- “The distributed file system will allow the working set of data that is currently being accessed by researchers to be cached on campus using IBM’s GPFS product (also known Spectrum Scale) without any additional user involvement.”
- “If you want to touch some data remotely in the cloud at Polaris, you can access that data using this distributed file system. If you want to access that data in campus, it appears automatically and gets moved without the user’s involvement. So that lessens the burden,”
- “A major additional benefit for users working with data stored at Polaris is that bandwidth bottlenecks between the campus and Polaris are less likely to cause a slowdown in their work.”

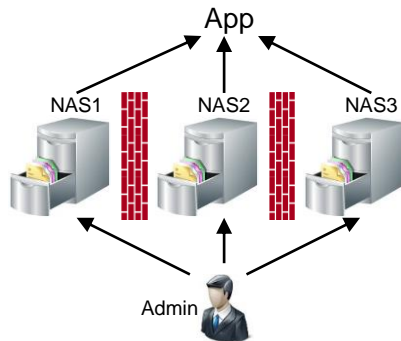
Customer feedback

- “GPFS is a parallel system, so it works well on high-performance computers, but it’s also a distributed file system. And they’re pretty smart guys [at IBM] that have worked out a lot of things over the years. It’s an old product, but it’s been constantly updated.”

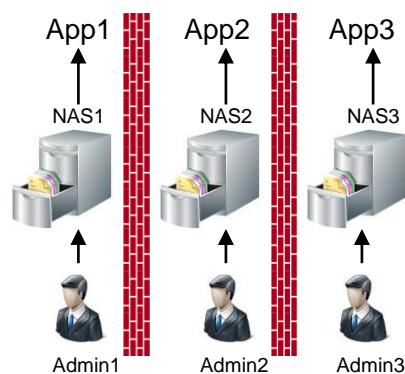
Source: <http://www.itnews.com.au/news/qld-uni-debuts-its-own-data-storage-fabric-417506>

Contrasting NAS Consolidation Opportunities

NAS Capacity Consolidation



NAS File Consolidation



Same Customer pain point ...

Wants to consolidate multiple NAS filers on one large scale-out NAS system

... but different scenario

Single high-end NAS filer is not capable to provide storage capacity or throughput for one or a few applications

➔ Potentially good workload

... but different scenario

Multiple NAS filers to provide storage capacity for broad range of applications and user groups

➔ Potentially dangerous workload

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Application Acceleration

- The mature, fast and flexible file system accelerates a broad range of applications.
- Same applications have been covered in earlier user group meetings:
 - SAP HANA on IBM Elastic Storage Server (ESS)
http://files.gpfsug.org/presentations/2017/Ehningen/04 - SSUG17DE - Volker Fischer - SAP_HANA@Bosch, An Infrastructure Story.pdf
 - SAS on Spectrum Scale
<http://files.gpfsug.org/presentations/2017/Ehningen/06 - SSUG17DE - Adrian Immler, Marco Pighetti - Performance Optimization for Risk Management.pdf>
 - Spectrum Protect on Spectrum Scale
<http://files.gpfsug.org/presentations/2017/Ehningen/11 - SSUG17DE - Andre Gaschler, Stefan Schaedeli - Flexible Storage for Spectrum Protect.pdf>
- Which applications do you run on Spectrum Scale?
 - ➔ Whiteboard

Examples – Virtual Infrastructure

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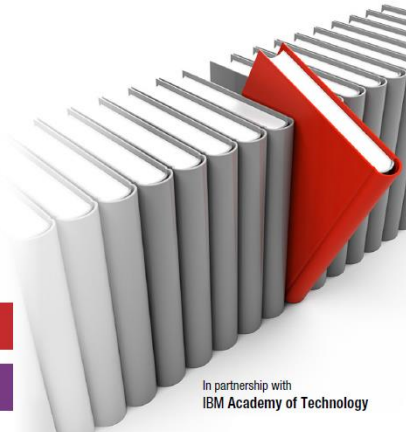
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Spectrum Scale as Infrastructure Service for OpenStack



IBM Spectrum Scale in an OpenStack Environment

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Gaurang Tapase
Kumar Nachiketa
Kedar Karmarkar
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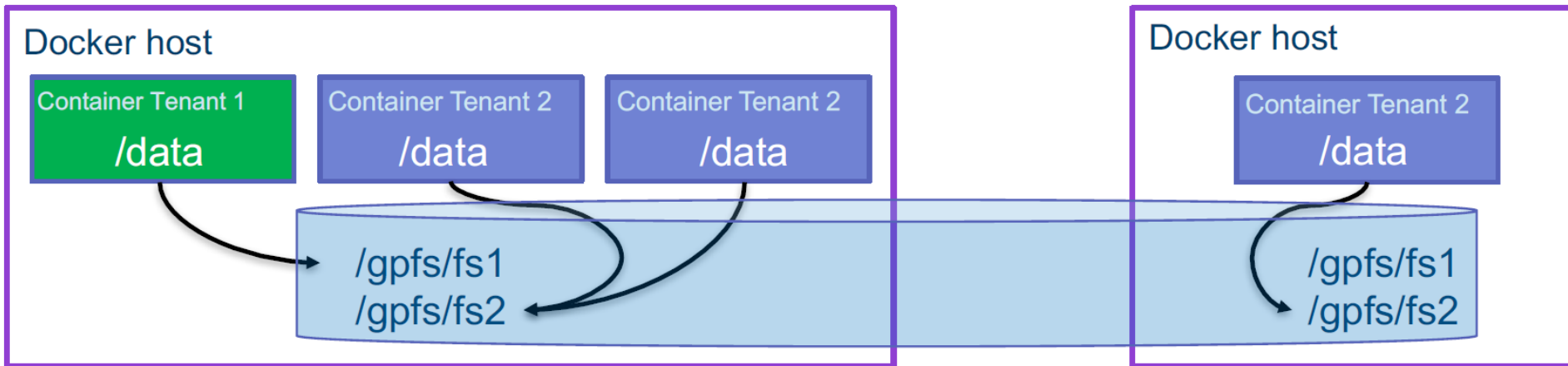
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<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/introducing-bearcloud-our-private-cloud-research-simon-thompson>

Spectrum Scale and Docker



Details

- ❑ Single or separate userid namespaces between containers and hosts
- ❑ Data sharing across containers and hosts
- ❑ All POSIX commands supported from container

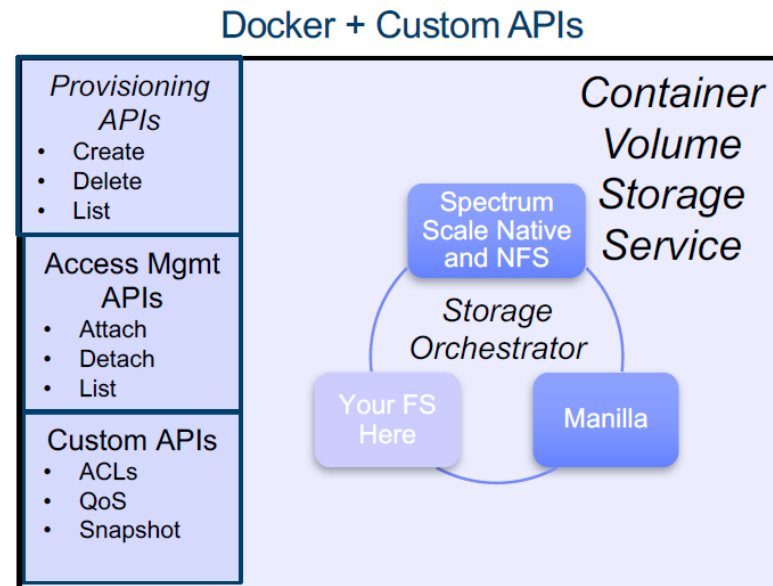
A Few Benefits

- ❑ Multi-tenant access
 - Container can only access its volumes
 - Allow root access in container without allowing root access to file system
 - ACLs can add an extra level of security
- ❑ Native client performance

Spectrum Scale Container Volume Service Architecture

Provisioning persistent storage for Docker and Kubernetes

- **Storage volume drivers** abstract storage complexities while exposing key capabilities
- Docker and Kubernetes have different mechanisms for provisioning storage
- Build a single service to provision volumes for that can be shared across all frameworks
- Support a variety of features, existing or new volumes, Quota, etc
- Currently working with Spectrum Computing
- Plan is to open-source



Miscellaneous

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Independent of IBM. IBM supports with speaker.

Join the User Group activities to meet your peers and get access to experts from partners and IBM.



<http://www.spectrumscale.org/uk-may-2016-group-report/>

Major meetings 2017:

- German User Meeting	Mar 8+9,2017	Ehningen, Germany
- US User Group Meeting	Apr 4+5,2017	Berkeley, USA
- Australia User Group Meeting	Apr 27, 2017	Sydney, Australia
- UK User Group Meeting	May 9+10, 2017	Manchester, UK
- User Group Meeting @ ISC17	Jun 19, 2017	Frankfurt, Germany
- User Group Meeting @ SC17	Nov 12, 2017	Orlando, USA

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Agenda – Manchester – May 9th, 2017

- 10:00 - 10:30 Welcome - Simon Thompson (UG), Michael Daubman (IBM)
- 10:30 - 11:20 Spectrum Scale Update - Ulf Troppens (IBM)
- 11:20 - 11:40 ESS Update - Christopher Maestas (IBM)
- 11:40 - 12:00 Ellexus: Catching rogue jobs before they overload shared storage: and I/O profiling case study - Rosemary Francis
- 12:00 - 13:00 Lunch and Networking
- 13:00 - 13:20 Customer Talk - The UK Research Data Facility - Kieran Leach (EPCC)
- 13:20 - 13:40 DDN: AFM Case Studies - Vic Cornell
- 13:40 - 14:30 Spectrum Scale Cloud Deployments - Christopher Maestas (IBM)
- 14:30 - 14:50 Licensing - Carl Zetie (IBM)
- 14:50 - 15:20 Coffee and Networking
- 15:20 - 15:40 Arcastream: Automated data curation and discovery with Spectrum Scale and Arcastream - Jez Tucker
- 15:40 - 16:30 Problem Determination - Simon Lorenz (IBM)
- 16:30 - 17:20 Best Practices - Olaf Weiser (IBM)
- 17:20 - 17:50 Q&A - General
- 17:50 - 18:00 Wrap-up - Simon Thompson (UG)

Agenda – Manchester – May 10th, 2017

09:00 - 10:00 (Parallel Sessions)

- 1) Integration with Spectrum Protect for Backup - Fabian Kulhl (IBM)
- 2) Docker Support / Update on metadata sizing - Olaf Weiser (IBM), Indulis Bernsteins (IBM)
- 3) CES Authentication / Spectrum Scale Security (Meet the Devs) - Sandeep Ramesh (IBM)

10:00 - 11:00 (Parallel Sessions)

- 1) Introduction to AFM and Use Cases - Nils Haustein (IBM)
- 2) Object, SwiftHLM and OpenStack (cloud) - Sandeep Ramesh (IBM), Simon Lorenz (IBM)
- 3) GUI und REST API (Meet the Devs) - Alexander Wolf (IBM)

11:00 - 12:00 (Parallel Sessions)

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13:20 - 13:40 Customer Talk - AFM Migration – The road to perdition - Mark Roberts (AWE) & Laurence Horrocks-Barlow (OCF)

13:40 - 14:00 Seagate: Accelerating Spectrum Scale with an Intelligent IO manager - Ray Coetzee

14:00 - 14:20 Customer Talk - TBC

14:20 - 14:50 Coffee and Networking

14:50 - 16:00 Research Topics - Sven Oehme (IBM)

16:00 - 16:30 Wrap-up and closing - Simon Thompson (UG), Michael Daubman (IBM)

Agenda – Poll Break-out Sessions

09:00 - 10:00

- 1) Integration with Spectrum Protect for Backup - Fabian Kulhl (IBM)
- 2) Docker Support / Update on metadata sizing - Olaf Weiser (IBM), Indulis Bernsteins (IBM)
- 3) CES Authentication / Spectrum Scale Security (Meet the Devs) - Sandeep Ramesh (IBM)

10:00 - 11:00

- 1) Introduction to AFM and Use Cases - Nils Haustein (IBM)
- 2) Object, SwiftHLM and OpenStack (cloud) - Sandeep Ramesh (IBM), Simon Lorenz (IBM)
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Customer Feedback

"I want meaningful alerts that don't cause alert fatigue. You can't tell the difference between a client leaving a cluster and a quorum node leaving a cluster."

"If we can't monitor something, we can't roll it out."

"What is going on with my GPFS system?"

"Our ops team is looking at dashboards all day. If something doesn't flash in red or come up on their monitoring console, they're not going to see it."

"This is an art that you learn from experience."

"What I really need is to be able to track down the rogue user who is bogging down the entire system."

"One of the things that's really lacking in GPFS is constant monitoring."

"There are tens of thousands of components that could break at any given time."

"When I come in to work each morning, give me a dashboard that surveys the entire Infrastructure landscape and tells me instantly if my day is going to be great or if it is going to pieces."

2016 Development Priorities

Every year we define a set of goals

- Based mainly on client feedback and market opportunity
- Target is to achieve them within the year



Sponsor User
Interviews



Input from PM
and Field Team



Sponsor User
Observation



PMR
Analysis

Focus areas

- Problem determination
- Documentation
- Security
- Defect backlog

Functional enhancements

- Improvements for Big Data
- More flexibility for GNR

Hills – Problem Determination

1

An IT administrator who monitors Spectrum Scale can be made aware of the health of his Spectrum Scale components in one cluster, from a single place.

2

An IT Administrator, can perform self-service problem determination by utilizing provided guidance or automated solutions to problems, without contacting IBM Support.

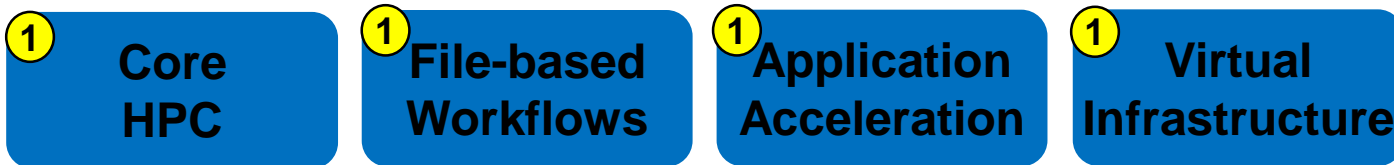
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An IT Administrator, can pre-check/check Spectrum Scale and its operating environment to avoid potential problems after initial installation or when changes are made, from a single tool.

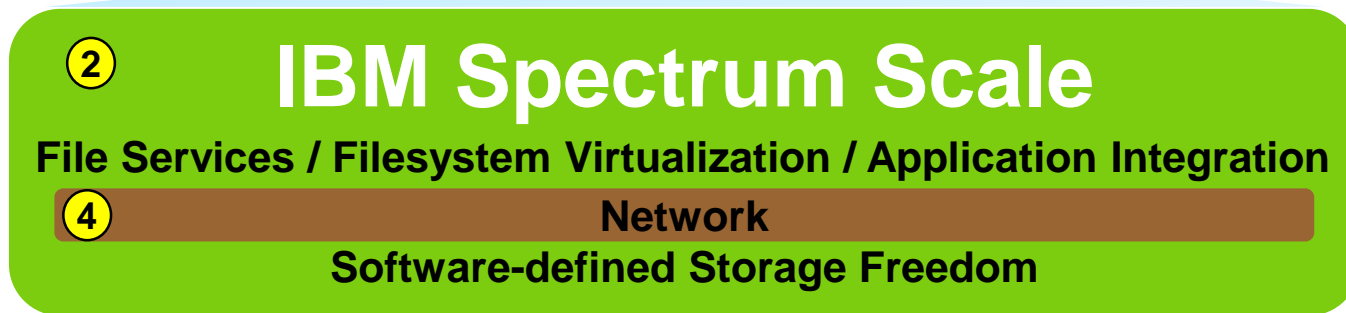
Selected new features and functions

- Problem Determination Enhancements (Talk by Simon Lorenz)
- Diagnosing network problems in IBM Spectrum Scale with mmnetverify (Blog)
<https://developer.ibm.com/storage/2017/02/24/diagnosing-network-problems-ibm-spectrum-scale-mmnetverify/>
- Extension of the problem determination capabilities in IBM Spectrum Scale 4.2.2 (Blog)
<https://developer.ibm.com/storage/2017/01/10/extension-of-the-problem-determination-capabilities-in-ibm-spectrum-scale-4-2-2/>
- Hortonworks as a Strategic Partner (Breakout Session by Piyush Chaudhary)
<https://hortonworks.com/press-releases/ibm-delivers-new-platform-help-clients-address-storage-challenges-massive-scale/>
- REST API (Break-out Sessions by Alexander Wolf-Reber)
- GUI Enhancements (Break-out Sessions by Alexander Wolf-Reber)
- IBM Spectrum Scale Security (Break-out Sessions by Sandeep Patil)
<https://www.redbooks.ibm.com/Redbooks.nsf/RedbookAbstracts/redp5426.html?Open>
- HPC enhancements for CORAL (Talk by Sven Oehme)
http://files.gpfsug.org/presentations/2016/SC16/11_Sarp_Oral_Gautam_Shah_Spectrum_Scale_Enhancements_for_CORAL_v2.pdf
- What is new in Spectrum Scale 4.2.2 (Presentation)
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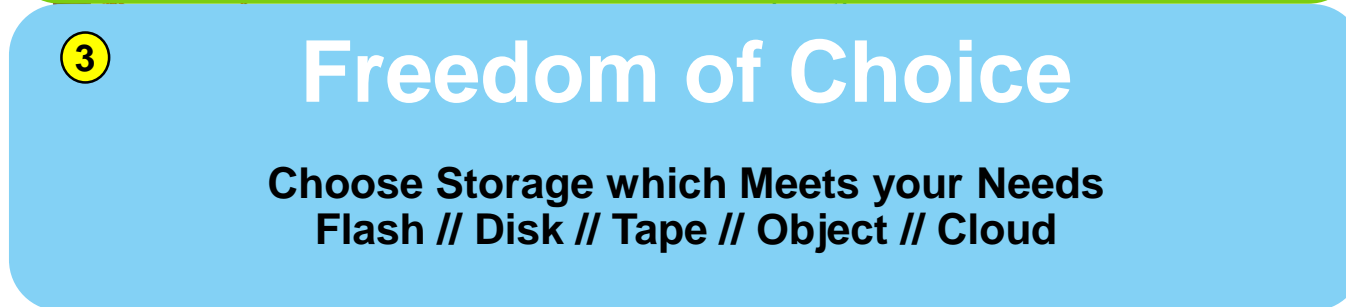
Engagement Process



1) Understand Use Case



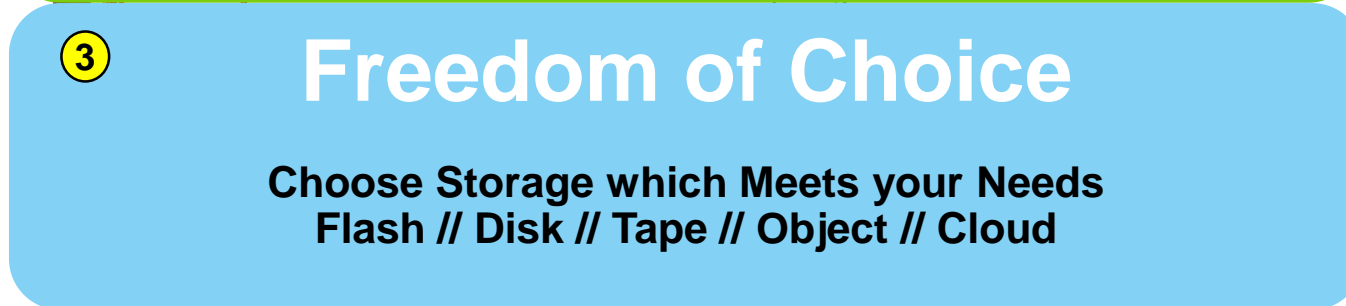
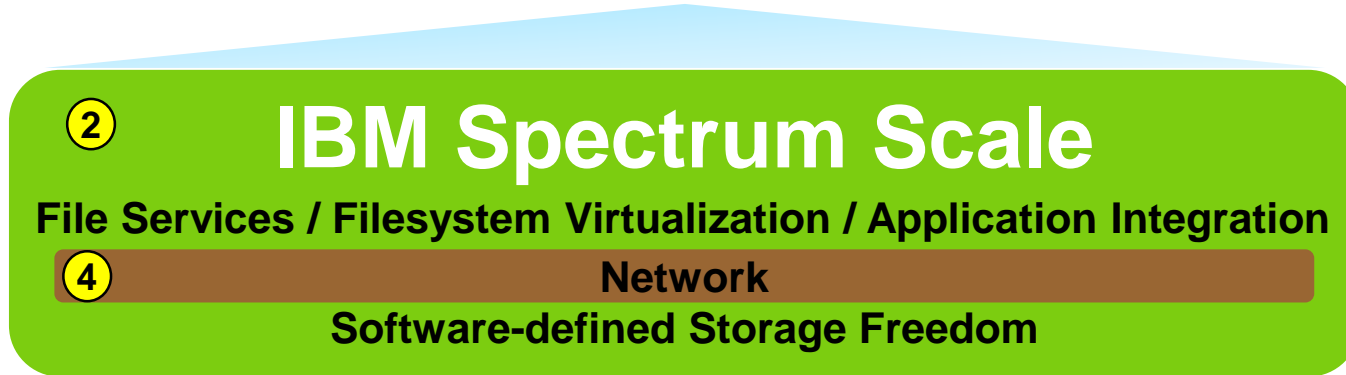
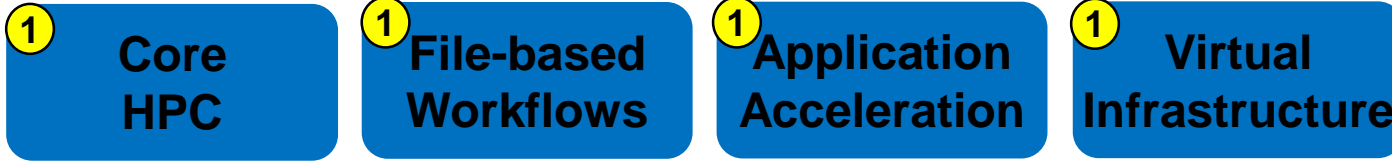
2) Define Spectrum Scale Configuration



3) Select Best of Breed Storage

4) Define Network Configuration

Engagement Process for **Repeatable Engagements**



Blueprint

1) Understand Use Case

2) Define Spectrum Scale Configuration

3) Select Best of Breed Storage

4) Define Network Configuration

Hills – Repeatable Engagements

1

Art, the seller, can give the winning proposal(*) to a client for genomic medicine workload that gives the data scientist faster time to results compared to competition.

(*) Metric + win/loss reports

2

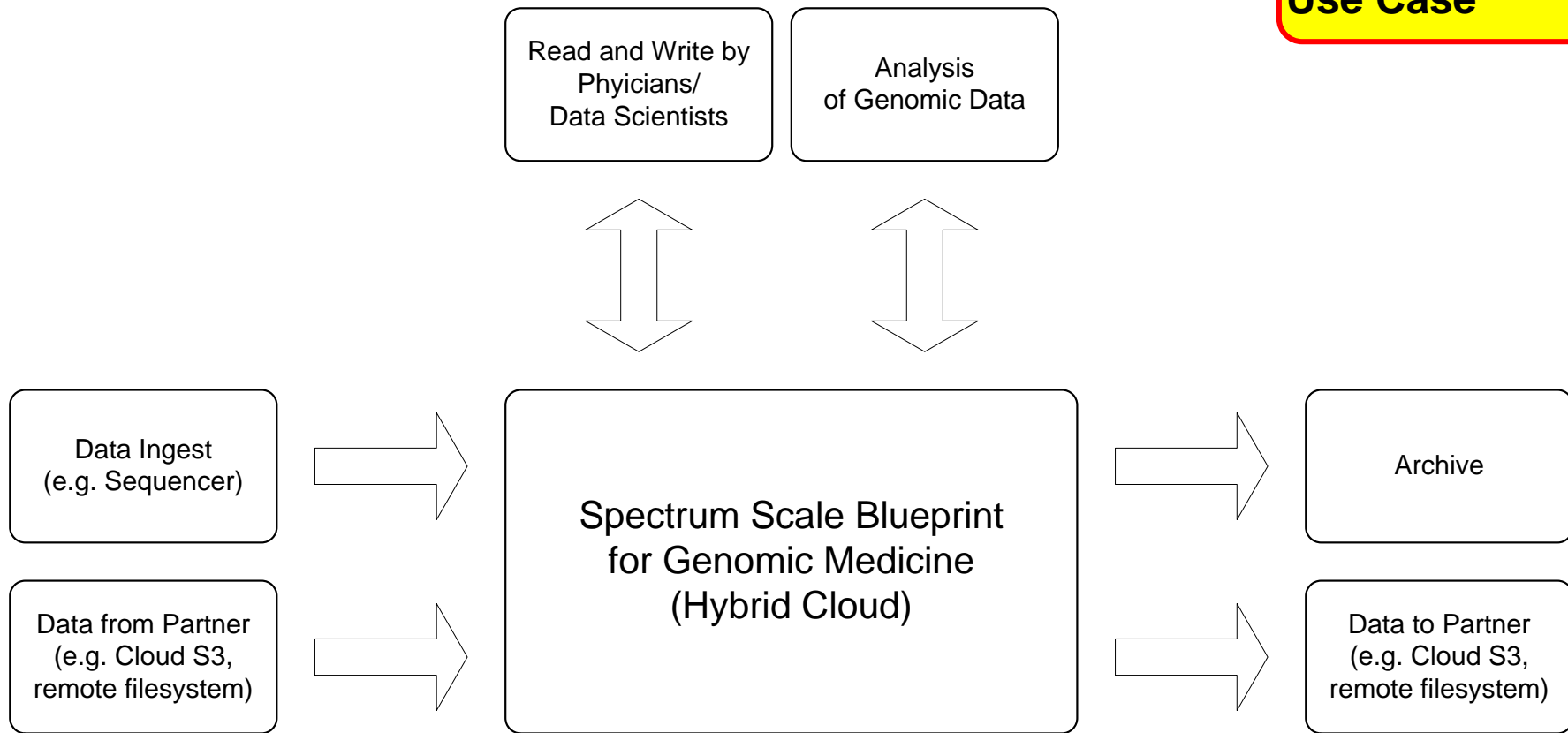
Aidan, the IT architect, can create a Spectrum Scale based solution architecture that meets genomic medicine workload performance requirements without consulting from IBM R&D.

3

Aidan, the IT architect, can integrate a Spectrum Scale based solution that meets their genomic workload performance requirements into an existing infrastructure without consulting from IBM R&D, without service disruption to the data scientist.

Blueprint for Genomics Medicine 1.0 – System Context

1) Understand Use Case



Keep in mind



- Spectrum Scale inherits all the benefits and maturity of GPFS and continues to support the needs of GPFS customers, in particular for HPC.
- Spectrum Scale is a file virtualization layer, which accelerates file- and object-based workflows, and reduces the costs for owning and accessing data on file.
- Spectrum Scale accelerates selected applications and simplifies the management of their underlying storage.
- Spectrum Scale is adding support for virtualized frameworks such as OpenStack, Docker and Kubernetes
- Get involved in Spectrum Scale User Group activities (e.g. speaker at the next User Group Meeting)!
- Volunteer as reference!
- Enjoy this User Group Meeting and make it an active exchange of thoughts and experience!

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