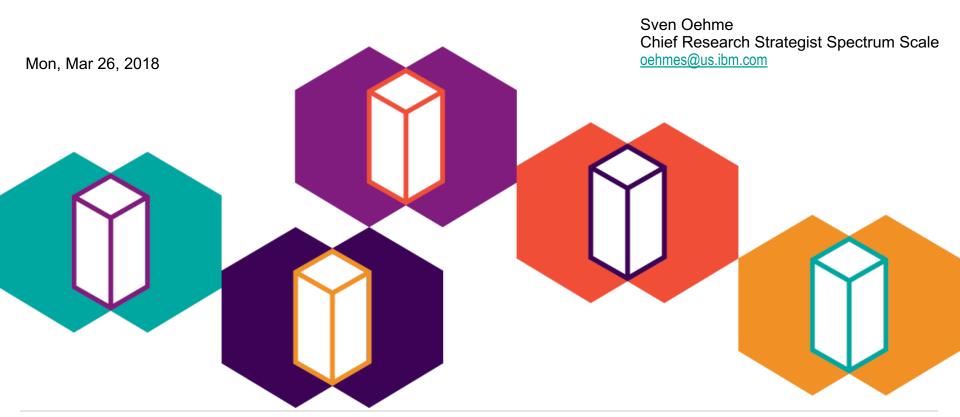
## Spectrum Scale – CORAL Enhancements









## WHAT is CORAL?



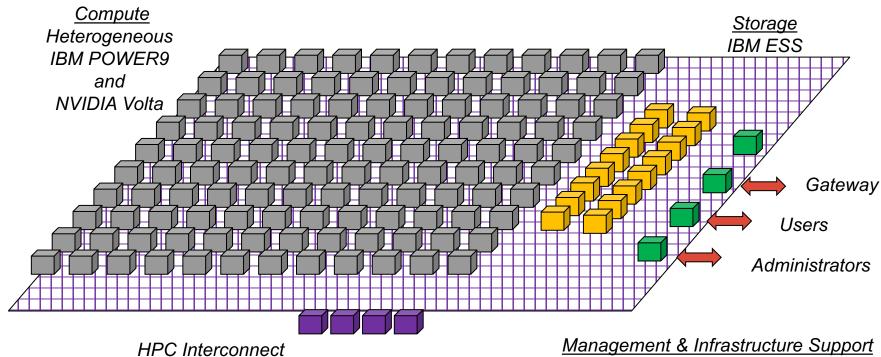


## The first rows of the CORAL Project









Mellanox EDR InfiniBand





#### Serial Number 0 – First CORAL P9 Based ESS Prototype



1 Half – rack building Block – 20U ~2000 Pound

2x P9 based dual Socket Control Nodes 4x 4U 106 Drive enclosures, each 104 HDD

4 PB of HDD1 TB MemoryNVMe attached DRAM for Write caching90 GB/sec Network connectivity (4x EDR per node)



#### Scalability Targets for SPIDER 3 (Oak Ridge Leadership Computing Facility)

#### The single namespace CFS will meet the following

- Single name space supporting 250 PB capacity
- Total number of files supported is 100 B
- Maximum file size equal to aggregate system memory
- 10 M files per directory

#### Enhancements needed in Spectrum Scale

- Improvements in fsck time to run (including nodes to use), progress reporting, ...
- Parallel virtual disk creation
- Reduce contention to allow more concurrency





#### Specific performance targets

- Single Node 16 GB/sec sequential read/write as requested from ORNL
- 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



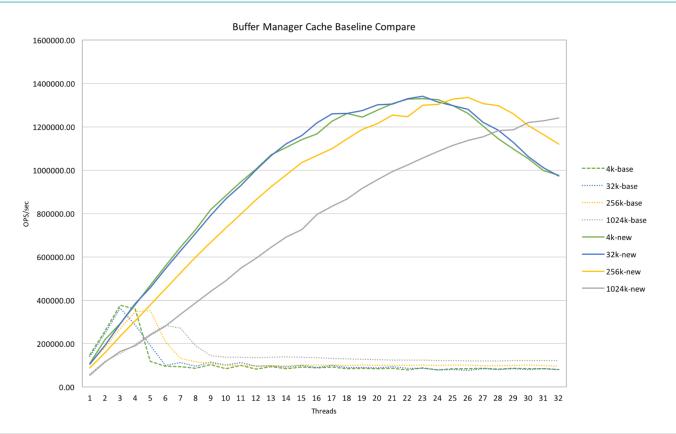


# VBUF2 - GNR new buffer manager





## GNR level local out of cache Performance 4.2.3 vs 5.0.0 (VBUF2)





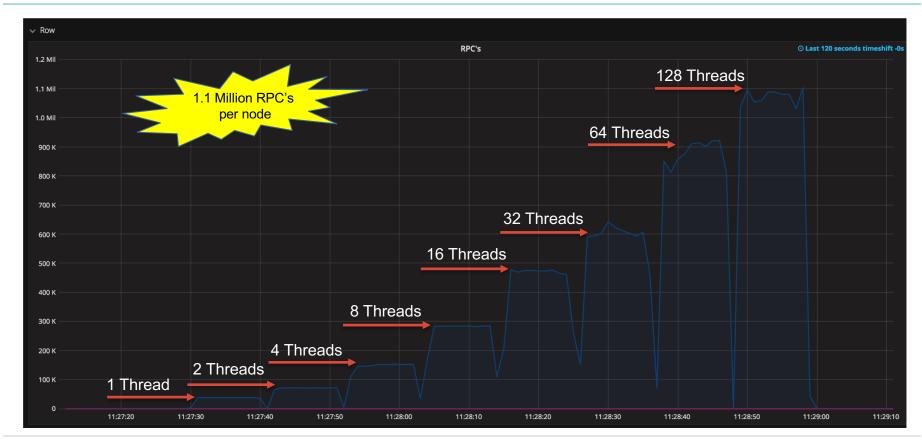


## **Massive Communication Overhaul**

### 2 Node communication code scaling with 1 byte RPC's











# some proof points

### Single client throughput enhancements – single file



16 GB/sec single file Single Node!

```
[root@p8n06 ~]# tsqosperf write seq -n 200g -r 16m -th 16 /ibm/fs2-16m-06/shared/testfile -fsync
tsqosperf write seq /ibm/fs2-16m-06/shared/testfile
  recSize 16M nBytes 200G fileSize 200G
  nProcesses 1 nThreadsPerProcess 16
  file cache flushed before test
  not using direct I/O
  offsets accessed will cycle through the same file segment
  not using shared memory buffer
```

Data rate was 16124635.71 Kbytes/sec, thread utilization 0.938, bytesTransferred 214748364800

fsync at end of test

not releasing byte-range token after open

## Single client throughput enhancements



Began: Sat Nov 11 20:47:05 2017

Command line used: /perform/io-500-dev.ppc64le//bin/ior -w -C -Q 1 -g -G 27 -k -e -t 16m -b 128g -F -o /ibm/fs2-16m-10/shared/iorfile

Machine: Linux p8n19hyp

Test 0 started: Sat Nov 11 20:47:05 2017

Summary:

```
= MPIIO (version=3, subversion=1)
api
test filename
                = /ibm/fs2-16m-10/shared/iorfile
```

= file-per-process access ordering in a file = sequential offsets ordering inter file= constant task offsets = 1 = 8 (8 per node)

clients

= 1 repetitions = 16 MiB xfersize = 128 GiB blocksize aggregate filesize = 1024 GiB

bw(MiB/s) block(KiB) xfer(KiB) open(s) wr/rd(s) close(s) total(s) iter 134217728 16384 0.021629 47.08 write 0 001264 47 10

#### Max Write: 22261.01 MiB/sec (23342.36 MB/sec)

Summary of all tests:

Operation Max(MiB) Min(MiB) Mean(MiB) StdDev Mean(s) Test# #Tasks tPN reps fPP reord reordoff reordrand seed segont blksiz xsize aggsize API RefNum 22261 01 22261 01 22261 01 0.00 47 10371 0.8 8 1 1 1 1 0.0 1 137438953472 16777216 1099511627776 MPIIO.0

Finished: Sat Nov 11 20:47:52 2017



#### IOR with GL4c - ESS with CORAL Enclosure (reduced output) - 16M



Target 32 GB/sec pe Building block Target

```
Began: Fri Oct 27 01:34:10 2017
```

Command line used: /tmp/ior-binary-dir/ior -F -i 3 -d 180 -w -r -e -t 16m -b 4064g -o /ibm/fs2-16m-10/ior-test-dir-1/iorfile -L

Machine: Linux fireO1.sonasad.almaden.ibm.com

```
Test 0 started: Fri Oct 27 01:34:10 2017
Summary:
        api
                          = POSIX
        test filename
                          = /ibm/fs2-16m-10/ior-test-dir-1/iorfile
                          = file-per-process
        access
       ordering in a file = sequential offsets
       ordering inter file= no tasks offsets
        clients
                          = 12 (1 per node)
       repetitions
                          = 3
        xfersize
                          = 16 MiB
       blocksize
                          = 4064 GiB
```

#### Max Write: 34507.52 MiB/sec (36183.76 MB/sec) Max Read: 41420.56 MiB/sec (43432.61 MB/sec)

aggregate filesize = 48768 GiB

```
Summary of all tests:
```

| Operation<br>RefNum | Max(MiB) | Min(MiB) | Mean(MiB) | StdDev Mean(   | Test# $\#$ Tasks tPN reps fPP reord reordoff reordrand seed segcnt blksiz xs: | ze aggsize API |
|---------------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------------|---|----------------|
| write               | 34507.52 | 34321.65 | 34418.00  | 76.04 1450.946 | 0 12 1 3 1 0 1 0 0 1 4363686772736 16777216 52364241272832 POSIX 0            |                |
| read                | 41420.56 | 41210.13 | 41340.40  | 92.93 1207.987 | 0 12 1 3 1 0 1 0 0 1 4363686772736 16777216 52364241272832 POSIX 0            |                |

Finished: Fri Oct 27 04:05:07 2017

#### Single thread 4k seq read i/o (client – server roundtrip) - NORAID

```
[root@client01 ~]# tsqosperf read seq -r 4k /ibm/fs2-256k-08/shared/test -dio
tsqosperf read seq /ibm/fs2-256k-08/shared/test
recSize 4K nBytes 128M fileSize 128M
nProcesses 1 nThreadsPerProcess 1
file cache flushed before test
```

using direct I/O

offsets accessed will cycle through the same file segment

not using shared memory buffer

not releasing byte-range token after open

Data rate was 55111.52 Kbytes/sec, Op Rate was 13454.96 Ops/sec, Avg Latency was 0.074 milliseconds, thread utilization 1.000, bytesTransferred 134217728

[root@client01 mpi]# mmfsadm dump iohist |less

#### I/O history:

| I/O start time RW | Buf type | disk:sectorNum | nSec | time ms | tag1   | tag2 | Disk UID typ          | NSD node context      | thread               |
|-------------------|----------|----------------|------|---------|--------|------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
|                   |          |                |      |         |        |      |                       |                       |                      |
| 11:37:54.451846 R | data     | 4:192933224    | 8    | 0.055   | 284160 | 504  | C0A74D01:58BD6495 cli | 192.167.20.127 MBHand | ler DioHandlerThread |
| 11:37:54.451918 R | data     | 4:192933232    | 8    | 0.055   | 284160 | 504  | C0A74D01:58BD6495 cli | 192.167.20.127 MBHand | ler DioHandlerThread |
| 11:37:54.451990 R | data     | 4:192933240    | 8    | 0.054   | 284160 | 504  | C0A74D01:58BD6495 cli | 192.167.20.127 MBHand | ler DioHandlerThread |
| 11:37:54.452061 R | data     | 4:192933248    | 8    | 0.054   | 284160 | 504  | C0A74D01:58BD6495 cli | 192.167.20.127 MBHand | ler DioHandlerThread |
| 11:37:54.452132 R | data     | 4:192933256    | 8    | 0.055   | 284160 | 504  | C0A74D01:58BD6495 cli | 192.167.20.127 MBHand | ler DioHandlerThread |
| 11:37:54.452205 R | data     | 4:192933264    | 8    | 0.053   | 284160 | 504  | C0A74D01:58BD6495 cli | 192.167.20.127 MBHand | ler DioHandlerThread |
| 11:37:54.452275 R | data     | 4:192933272    | 8    | 0.057   | 284160 | 504  | C0A74D01:58BD6495 cli | 192.167.20.127 MBHand | ler DioHandlerThread |
| 11:37:54.452349 R | data     | 4:192933280    | 8    | 0.056   | 284160 | 504  | C0A74D01:58BD6495 cli | 192.167.20.127 MBHand | ler DioHandlerThread |

~50-80 usec per

#### Single thread 4k random write i/o (client – server roundtrip) - GNR



[root@client07 ~]# tsqosperf write rand -r 4k -n 1t -millis 10000 -dio -th 1 /gpfs/nvme/testfiles

tsqosperf write rand /gpfs/nvme/testfiles

recSize 4K nBytes 1024G fileSize 32G

nProcesses 1 nThreadsPerProcess 1

file cache flushed before test

using direct I/O

offsets accessed will cycle through the same file segment

not using shared memory buffer

not releasing byte-range token after open

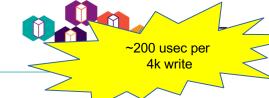
no fsync at end of test

Data rate was 47846.40 Kbytes/sec, Op Rate was 11681.25 Ops/sec, Avg Latency was 0.086 milliseconds, thread utilization 1.000, bytesTransferred 478478336

as can be seen by the breakdown below where the time is spend most requests need ~60 usec in the lower i/o layer (time in ms below) with ~30 usec in Network and ~18 usec on the media

#### I/O history:

| I/O star  | t time | RW | Buf type | disk:sectorNum | nSec | time ms | tagl   | tag2 | Disk UID typ          | NSD node     | context   | thread           | comment qTime ms | RpcTimes | ms    |
|-----------|--------|----|----------|----------------|------|---------|--------|------|-----------------------|--------------|-----------|------------------|------------------|----------|-------|
| 09:40:21. | 767122 | W  | data     | 2:3000800      | 8    | 0.056   | 337920 | 974  | COA70D01:59726709 cli | 192.167.13.8 | MBHandler | DioHandlerThread | 0.000            | 0.029    | 0.016 |
| 09:40:21. | 767201 | W  | data     | 1:596568       | 8    | 0.057   | 337920 | 595  | C0A70D01:59726707 cli | 192.167.13.8 | MBHandler | DioHandlerThread | 0.000            | 0.029    | 0.016 |
| 09:40:21. | 767281 | W  | data     | 2:4353872      | 8    | 0.055   | 337920 | 2222 | C0A70D01:59726709 cli | 192.167.13.8 | MBHandler | DioHandlerThread | 0.000            | 0.028    | 0.016 |
| 09:40:21. | 767359 | W  | data     | 3:6357784      | 8    | 0.067   | 337920 | 1824 | C0A70D01:59726708 cli | 192.167.13.8 | MBHandler | DioHandlerThread | 0.000            | 0.029    | 0.024 |
| 09:40:21. | 767452 | W  | data     | 2:12000944     | 8    | 0.062   | 337920 | 4013 | C0A70D01:59726709 cli | 192.167.13.8 | MBHandler | DioHandlerThread | 0.000            | 0.032    | 0.018 |
| 09:40:21. | 767538 | W  | data     | 3:5161904      | 8    | 0.058   | 337920 | 1638 | C0A70D01:59726708 cli | 192.167.13.8 | MBHandler | DioHandlerThread | 0.000            | 0.029    | 0.016 |
| 09:40:21. | 767618 | W  | data     | 3:17427776     | 8    | 0.060   | 337920 | 5874 | C0A70D01:59726708 cli | 192.167.13.8 | MBHandler | RioHandlerThread | 0.000            | 0.031    | 0.017 |
| 09:40:21. | 767701 | W  | data     | 1:10701688     | 8    | 0.063   | 337920 | 3286 | C0A70D01:59726707 cli | 192.167.13.8 | MBHandler | DioHandlerThread | 0.000            | 0.031    | 0.019 |



[root@client01 mpi]# gpfsperf write seq -n 200g -r 4k -millis 5000 -th 1 /gpfs/fs2-16m-09/shared/testfile -dio gpfsperf write seq /gpfs/fs2-16m-09/shared/testfile

recSize 4K nBytes 200G fileSize 200G

nProcesses 1 nThreadsPerProcess 1

file cache flushed before test

using direct I/O

offsets accessed will cycle through the same file segment

not using shared memory buffer

not releasing byte-range token after open

no fsync at end of test

Data rate was 19840.34 Kbytes/sec, Op Rate was 4843.83 Ops/sec, Avg Latency was 0.206 milliseconds, thread utilization 1.000, bytesTransferred 99209216

~80 usec per 4k read

[root@client01 mpi]# gpfsperf read rand -n 200g -r 4k -millis 5000 -th 1 /gpfs/fs2-16m-09/shared/testfile -dio gpfsperf read rand /gpfs/fs2-16m-09/shared/testfile

recSize 4K nBytes 200G fileSize 200G

nProcesses 1 nThreadsPerProcess 1

file cache flushed before test

using direct I/O

offsets accessed will cycle through the same file segment

not using shared memory buffer

not releasing byte-range token after open

Data rate was 52539.99 Kbytes/sec, Op Rate was 12827.15 Ops/sec, Avg Latency was 0.078 milliseconds, thread utilization 1.000, bytesTransferred 262717440





# shared file create performance





#### Shared directory file create – 50k target

-- started at 06/17/2017 11:14:09 --

mdtest-1.9.3 was launched with 23 total task(s) on 23 node(s)

Command line used: /tmp/mdtest-binary-dir/mdtest -d /ibm/fs2-16m-09/mdtest-dir-2 -i 1 -n 50000 -F -w 1024 -C -r

-T -p 15 **-X** 

Path: /ibm/fs2-16m-09

FS: 64.0 TiB Used FS: 0.0% Inodes: 476.8 Mi Used Inodes: 0.2%

23 tasks, 1150000 files

SUMMARY: (of 1 iterations)

| Operation     |   | Max         | Min         | Mean        | Std Dev |
|---------------|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------|
|               |   |             |             |             |         |
| File creation | : | 56935.959   | 56935.959   | 56935.959   | 0.000   |
| File stat     | : | 6305129.988 | 6305129.988 | 6305129.988 | 0.000   |
| File read     | : | 0.000       | 0.000       | 0.000       | 0.000   |
| File removal  | : | 63040.815   | 63040.815   | 63040.815   | 0.000   |
| Tree creation | : | 7628.933    | 7628.933    | 7628.933    | 0.000   |
| Tree removal  | : | 0.359       | 0.359       | 0.359       | 0.000   |





#### New 5.0.0+ Allocation code optimizations

-- started at 02/09/2018 10:43:01 --

mdtest-1.9.3 was launched with 240 total task(s) on 12 node(s)

Command line used: /tmp/mdtest-binary-dir/mdtest -d /ibm/fs2-16m-10/mdtest-60 -i 1 -n 36864 -w 32768 -C -F -r -u -y

Path: /ibm/fs2-16m-10

FS: 96.3 TiB Used FS: 3.7% Inodes: 476.8 Mi Used Inodes: 0.0%

240 tasks, 8847360 files

SUMMARY: (of 1 iterations)

| Operation     |   | Max        | Min        | Mean       | Std Dev |  |
|---------------|---|------------|------------|------------|---------|--|
|               |   |            |            |            |         |  |
| File creation | : | 73870.935  | 73870.935  | 73870.935  | 0.000   |  |
| File stat     | : | 0.000      | 0.000      | 0.000      | 0.000   |  |
| File read     | : | 0.000      | 0.000      | 0.000      | 0.000   |  |
| File removal  | : | 249156.292 | 249156.292 | 249156.292 | 0.000   |  |
| Tree creation | : | 0.492      | 0.492      | 0.492      | 0.000   |  |
| Tree removal  | : | 0.156      | 0.156      | 0.156      | 0.000   |  |

-- finished at 02/09/2018 10:45:45 --





## small file performance – non-shared create





#### More than 32 Sub blocks - why and what to expect?

#### Why do we have Sub blocks?

Allow finer grained allocation – no space wasted

Allows coalescing of small files in larger blocks - raid friendly

#### What Options do we have today?

We can store data in inode (default <4k)

We can allocate a Sub block (1/32th of a Full block)

We support 64 KB, 128 KB, 256 KB, 512 KB, 1 MB, 2 MB, 4 MB, 8 MB and 16 MB block size today

#### What's wrong with it?

You have to choose between waste space for small files (>4k and <1/32th of block size) or bandwidth

You can never ever change it online, filesystem migration required

It has a significant performance penalty for small files in large block size filesystems

So how do we fix it and what will it change?





#### New 5.0 on-disk format changed defaults for new FS

New 5.0.0 fs created with default 4MB blockSize and subblocksPerFullBlock will be derived from block size as follows:

| block | size | per | full | block | subblo | ck s | ize  |        |         |
|-------|------|-----|------|-------|--------|------|------|--------|---------|
|       |      |     |      |       |        |      |      |        |         |
| 64k   |      | 32  |      | 2k    |        |      |      |        |         |
| 128k  |      | 32  |      | 4k    |        |      |      |        |         |
| 256k  |      | 32  |      | 8k    | <===   | old  | file | system | default |
| 384k  |      | 32  |      | 12k   |        |      |      |        |         |
| 512k  |      | 64  |      | 8k    |        |      |      |        |         |
| 1M    | :    | 128 |      | 8k    |        |      |      |        |         |
| 2 M   | :    | 256 |      | 8k    |        |      |      |        |         |
| 4M    | !    | 512 |      | 8k    | <===   | new  | file | system | default |
| 8M    | !    | 512 |      | 16k   |        |      |      |        |         |
| 16M   | 10   | 924 |      | 16k   |        |      |      |        |         |
| 32M   | 20   | 948 |      | 16k   |        |      |      |        |         |

relatime ais now the default !!





#### Best way to find out – measure it with mdtest (16M Blocksize)

```
4.2.1 base code - SUMMARY: (of 3 iterations)
   Operation
                                                   Min
                                                                               Std Dev
                                    Max
   File creation
                              2296.791
                                              2197,553
                                                                                42,695
                                                              2237.644
   File stat
                           3402913.848
                                           3383139,838
                                                           3320622 540
                                                                              8759.559
                            452144.282
                                            383467.565
                                                            426670.673
                                                                             30712.367
   File read
   File removal
                            202219.699
                                             88486.720
                                                            160499.542
                                                                             51134.019
   Tree creation
                              9425.078
                                              3138.312
                                                              6945.652
                                                                              2732.932
                                                                              1551.879
   Tree removal
                              6710.394
                                              3063.299
                                                              5196,237
zero-end-of-file-padding (4.2.2 + ifdef for zero padding):
                                                               SUMMARY: (of 3 iterations)
   Operation
                                    Max
                                                   Min
                                                                  Mean
                                                                               Std Dev
                                             12570.060
   File creation
                             13053.701
                                                                               212.194
                                                             12866.842
                                                           3500173 039
   File stat
                           4077992.847
                                           3291830.765
                                                                            342592,742
                                                            424759,494
   File read
                            450592.091
                                            408552.363
                                                                             18462.970
                                             93884.369
   File removal
                            105876.511
                                                             99224.908
                                                                              4982.772
   Tree creation
                              8451.948
                                              1936.832
                                                              4123.063
                                                                              3061.035
   Tree removal
                               535.050
                                               154.181
                                                               363.642
                                                                               157.800
more sub blocks per block (4.2.2 + morethan32subblock code):
   Operation
                                                   Min
                                                                               Std Dev
                                    Max
                                                                  Mean
   File creation
                             51397.549
                                             33005.542
                                                             40316.721
                                                                              7967,608
   File stat
                                           3195765.701
                                                                             58231,427
                           3326016.821
                                                           32776/4,290
   File read
                            616434,716
                                            543430.803
                                                            568013,424
                                                                             34240.371
   File removal
                            134732,546
                                             48867.351
                                                             86175,005
                                                                             35945,588
                              7771,893
                                              1039,578
                                                              3648.852
                                                                              2949.535
   Tree creation
   Tree removal
                              2879.694
                                               550.493
                                                              1859.348
                                                                               972.530
```

## Non shared directory mdtest 32k files with Scale 5.0



-- started at 10/16/2017 08:46:41 --

mdtest-1.9.3 was launched with 228 total task(s) on 12 node(s)

Command line used: /tmp/mdtest-binary-dir/mdtest -d /ibm/fs2-16m-10/mdtest-50000 -i 1 -n 65536 -w 32768 -C -F -r -u -W -U

Path: /ibm/fs2-16m-10

FS: 128.1 TiB Used FS: 14.8% Inodes: 476.8 Mi Used Inodes: 0.0%

228 tasks, 14942208 files

SUMMARY: (of 1 iterations)

| Operation     |   | Max        | Min        | Mean       | Std Dev |  |
|---------------|---|------------|------------|------------|---------|--|
|               |   |            |            |            |         |  |
| File creation | : | 56136.303  | 56136.303  | 56136.303  | 0.000   |  |
| File stat     | : | 0.000      | 0.000      | 0.000      | 0.000   |  |
| File read     | : | 0.000      | 0.000      | 0.000      | 0.000   |  |
| File removal  | : | 136952.900 | 136952.900 | 136952.900 | 0.000   |  |
| Tree creation | : | 1.628      | 1.628      | 1.628      | 0.000   |  |
| Tree removal  | : | 0.054      | 0.054      | 0.054      | 0.000   |  |

<sup>--</sup> finished at 10/16/2017 08:53:15 --





#### Non shared directory mdtest zero-length with Scale 5.0

```
-- started at 10/17/2017 22:29:16 --

mdtest-1.9.3 was launched with 88 total task(s) on 11 node(s)

Command line used: /ghome/oehmes/mpi/bin/mdtest-pcmpi9131-existingdir -d /ibm/fs2-16m-09/shared/mdtest-ec -i 1 -n 10000 -F -w 0 -Z -p 8 -N 11 -u

Path: /ibm/fs2-16m-09/shared

FS: 128.1 TiB Used FS: 0.2% Inodes: 476.8 Mi Used Inodes: 0.0%

88 tasks, 880000 files
```

#### SUMMARY: (of 1 iterations)

| Operation     |   | Max          | Min          | Mean         | Std Dev |
|---------------|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------|
|               |   |              |              |              |         |
| File creation | : | 563808.751   | 563808.751   | 563808.751   | 0.000   |
| File stat     | : | 14393911.406 | 14393911.406 | 14393911.406 | 0.000   |
| File read     | : | 5126798.789  | 5126798.789  | 5126798.789  | 0.000   |
| File removal  | : | 575868.384   | 575868.384   | 575868.384   | 0.000   |
| Tree creation | : | 7.634        | 7.634        | 7.634        | 0.000   |
| Tree removal  | : | 1.145        | 1.145        | 1.145        | 0.000   |
|               |   |              |              |              |         |

<sup>--</sup> finished at 10/17/2017 22:29:28 --





# Simplification

#### **Spectrum Scale Tuning Simplification**





- 4.2.1
  - First introduction of WorkerThreads, eliminated almost 30 Parameters that had to be set on each cluster
  - ESS 5.0 ships scale tuned Profile
- 5.0
  - Flimination of 32 Subblock limit
  - changes to default Filesystem layout and blocksize 4MB
  - Significant reduction in communication parameter
  - Activation on relatime setting and increased default Log size
  - Elimination of 10 Communication Parameter
  - ESS 5.3 ships enhanced tuned profile and udev rules for proper network and device tuning
  - eliminating default separate metadata and data vdisks for GNR setups
- 5.0+
  - Attempt to simplify of NSD Server configuration, no queue, threads per disk, threads per queue, etc.
  - framework to provide hints to users, what should be changed e.g. increase pagepool, increase maxfilestocache, other performance related tips



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