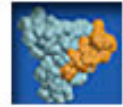
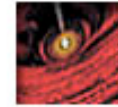
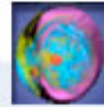




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## Exa & Yotta Scale Data

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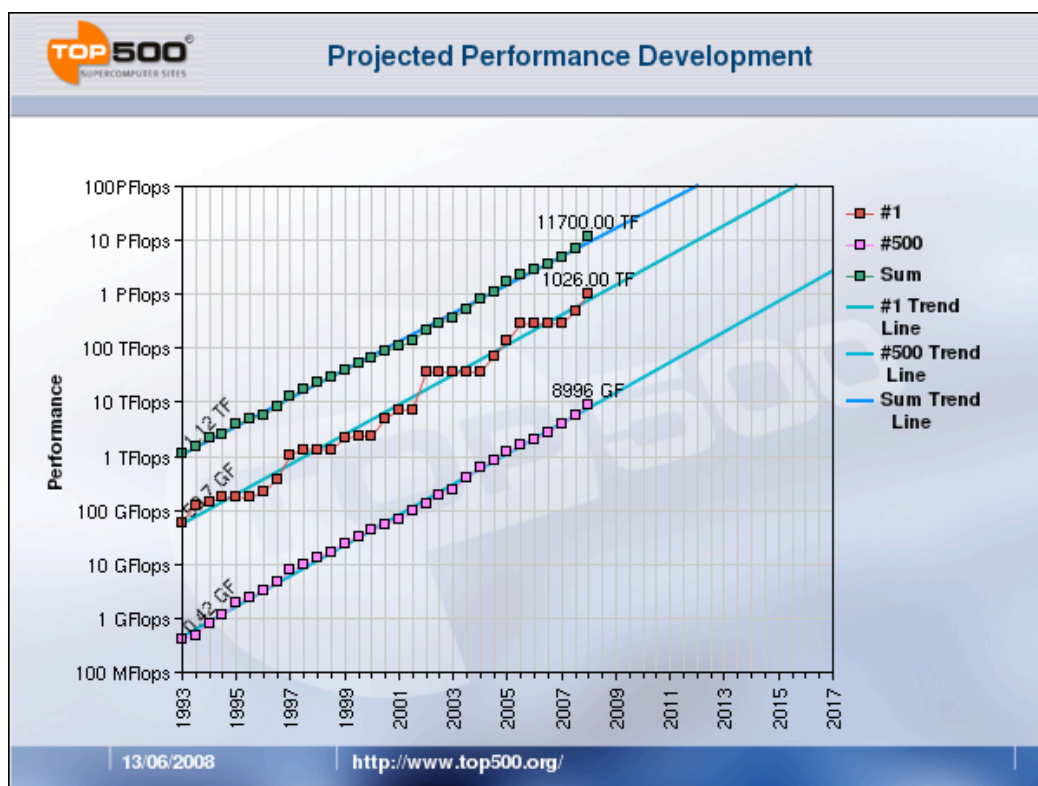
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# Charting the Path thru Exa- to Yotta-scale

- Top500.org scaling 100%/yr; Exa in 2018, Zetta in 2028, Yotta in 2038
  - Hard to make engineering predictions out 10 years, but 30 years?



## Roadrunner

### First to break the "petaflop" barrier

At 3:30 a.m. on May 26, 2008, Memorial Day, the "Roadrunner" supercomputer exceeded a sustained speed of 1 petaflop/s, or 1 million billion calculations per second. The sustained performance makes Roadrunner more than twice as fast as the current number 1 system on the TOP500 list. The best sustained performance to date is 74.5% efficiency, 1.026 petaflop/s.

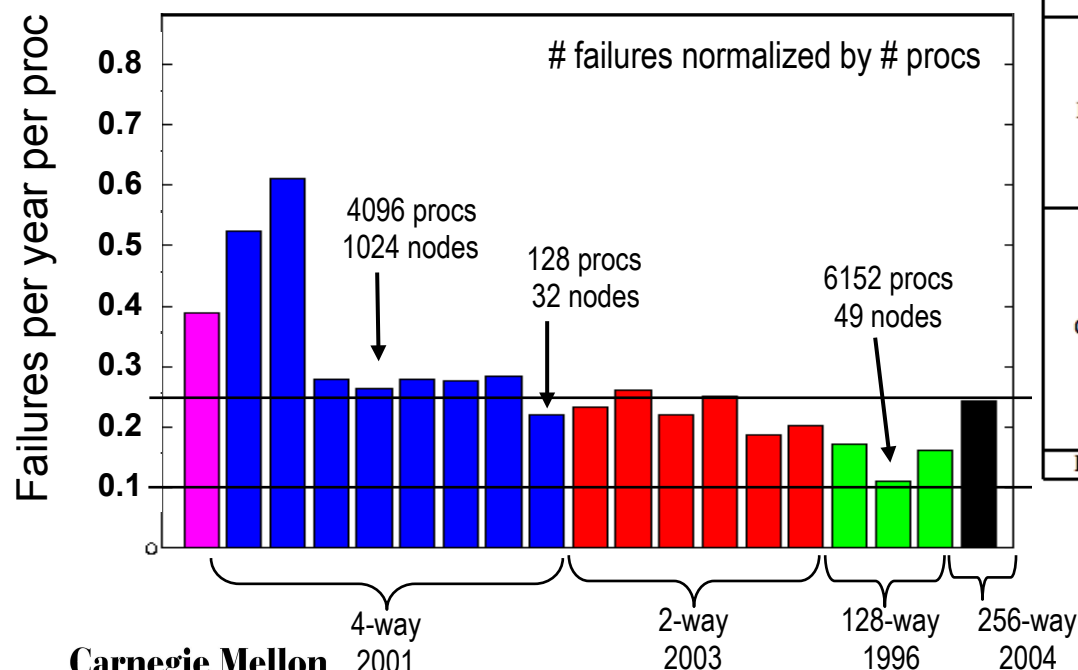
# Storage Scaling

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- Trends are quoted in capacity & performance
- Balance calls for linear scaling with FLOPS
- Disk capacity grows near Moore's Law
  - Disk capacity track compute speed
  - Parallelism grows no better or worse than compute
- But disk bandwidth +20%/yr < Moore's Law
  - Parallelism for BW grows faster than compute!
  - Revisit reason for BW balance: fault tolerance
- And random access? +7%/yr is nearly no growth
  - Coupled with BW parallelism, good growth
  - But new workloads, analytics, more access intensive
  - Solid state storage looks all but inevitable here

# Fault Data & Trends

- Los Alamos root cause logs
  - 22 clusters & 5,000 nodes
  - covers 9 years & continues
  - cfdr.usenix.org publication + PNNL, NERSC, Sandia, PSC, ...



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(I) High-level system information				(II) Information per node category			
HW	ID	Nodes	Procs	Procs /node	Production Time	Mem (GB)	NICs
A	1	1	8	8	N/A – 12/99	16	0
B	2	1	32	32	N/A – 12/03	8	1
C	3	1	4	4	N/A – 04/03	1	0
D	4	164	328	2	04/01 – now	1	1
				2	12/02 – now	1	1
	5	256	1024	4	12/01 – now	16	2
	6	128	512	4	09/01 – 01/02	16	2
	7	1024	4096	4	05/02 – now	8	2
				4	05/02 – now	16	2
				4	05/02 – now	32	2
				4	05/02 – now	352	2
	8	1024	4096	4	10/02 – now	8	2
				4	10/02 – now	16	2
				4	10/02 – now	32	2
				4	10/02 – now	32	2
	9	128	512	4	09/03 – now	4	1
	10	128	512	4	09/03 – now	4	1
	11	128	512	4	09/03 – now	4	1
	12	32	128	4	09/03 – now	4	1
E				4	09/03 – now	16	1
	13	128	256	2	09/03 – now	4	1
	14	256	512	2	09/03 – now	4	1
	15	256	512	2	09/03 – now	4	1
	16	256	512	2	09/03 – now	4	1
	17	256	512	2	09/03 – now	4	1
F	18	512	1024	2	09/03 – now	4	1
				2	03/05 – 06/05	4	1
	19	16	2048	128	12/96 – 09/02	32	4
				128	12/96 – 09/02	64	4
	20	49	6152	128	01/97 – now	128	12
				128	01/97 – 11/05	32	12
				80	06/05 – now	80	0
G	21	5	544	128	10/98 – 12/04	128	4
				32	01/98 – 12/04	16	4
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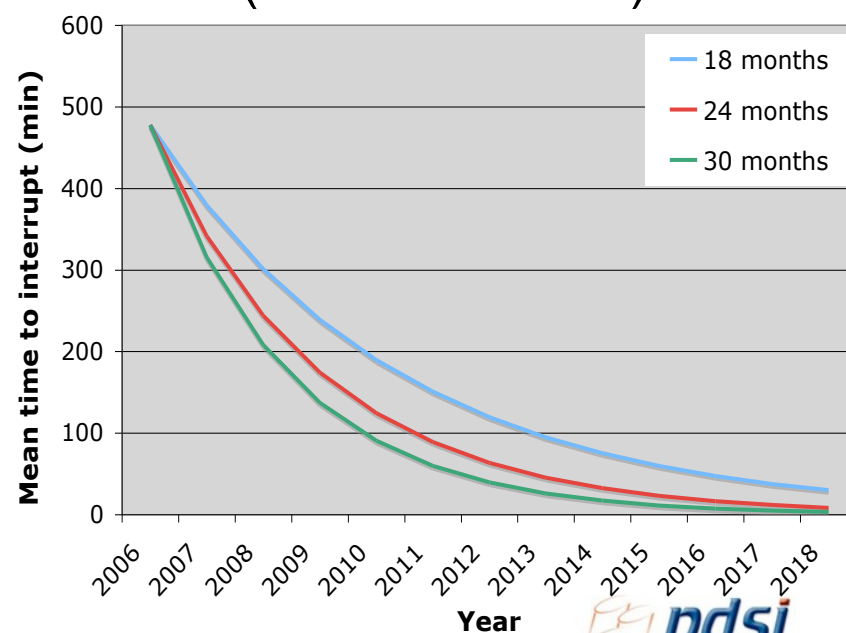
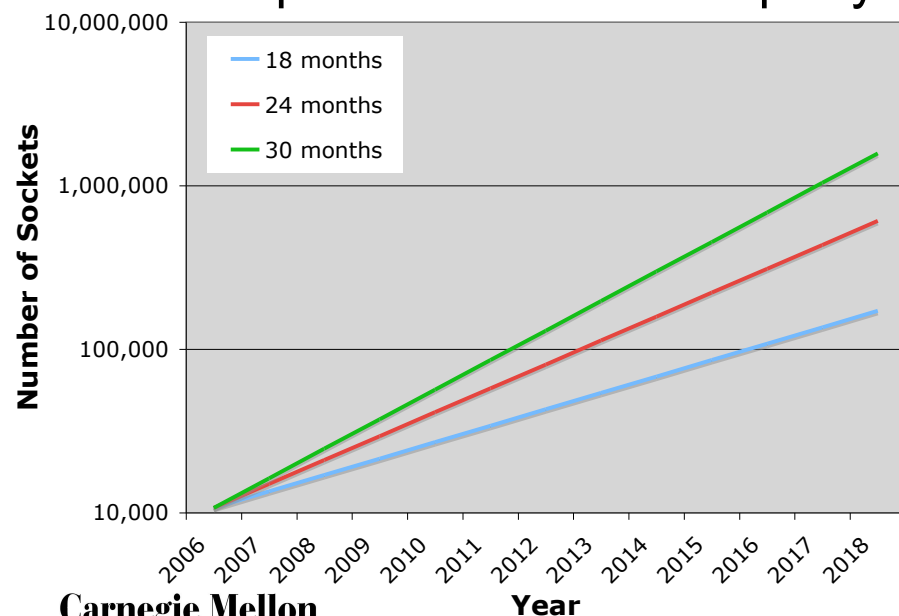
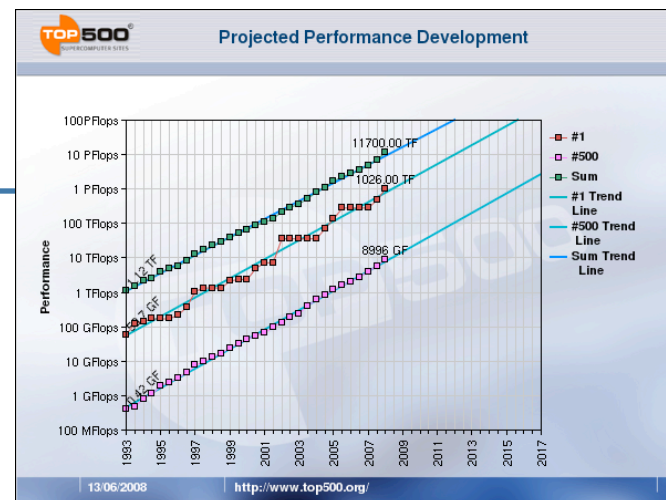
Table 1. Overview of SMP-based, and system



Garth Gibson, 11/21/2008

# Projections: More Failures

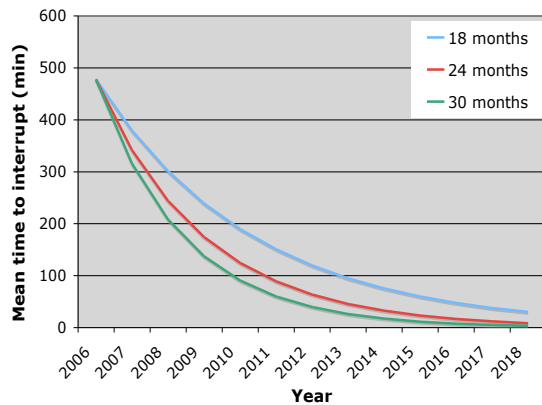
- Con't top500.org 2X annually
  - 1 PF Roadrunner, May 2008
- Cycle time flat, but more of them
  - Moore's law: 2X cores/chip in 18 mos
- # sockets,  $1/\text{MTTI} = \text{failure rate}$  up 25%-50% per year
  - Optimistic 0.1 failures per year per socket (vs. historic 0.25)



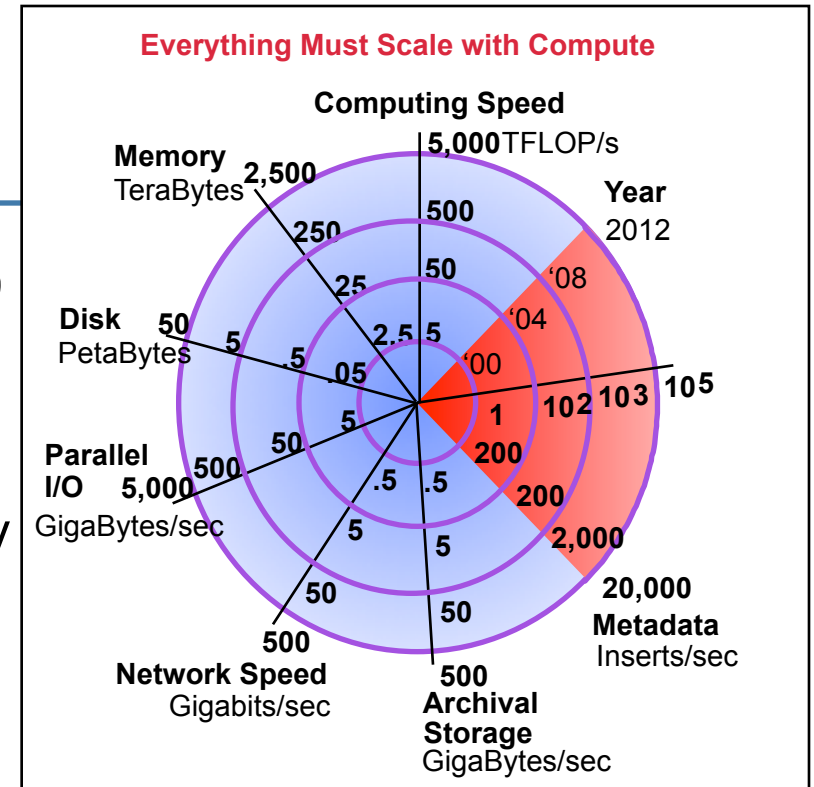
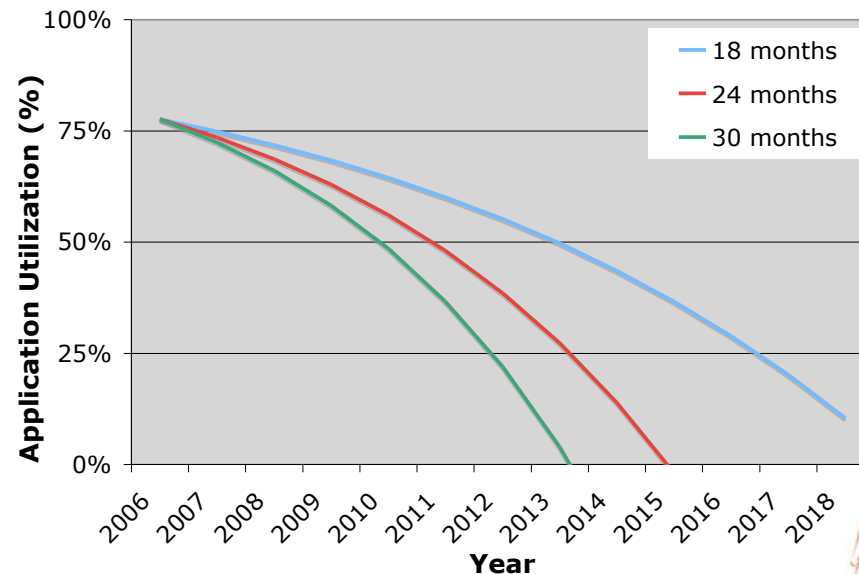
# Fault Tolerance Challenge

- Periodic (p) pause to checkpoint (t)
  - Major need for storage bandwidth
- Balanced systems
  - Storage speed tracks FLOPS, memory so checkpoint capture (t) is constant
  - $1 - \text{AppUtilization} = t/p + p/(2 \cdot \text{MTTI})$

$$p^2 = 2 \cdot t \cdot \text{MTTI}$$

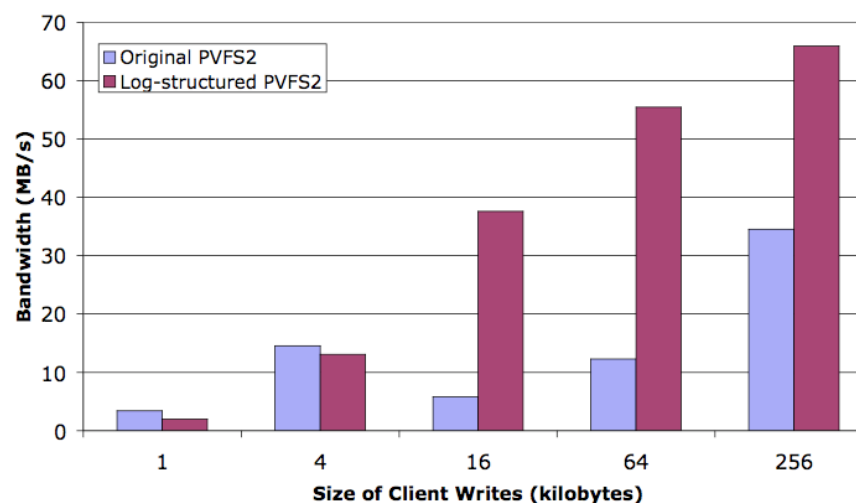
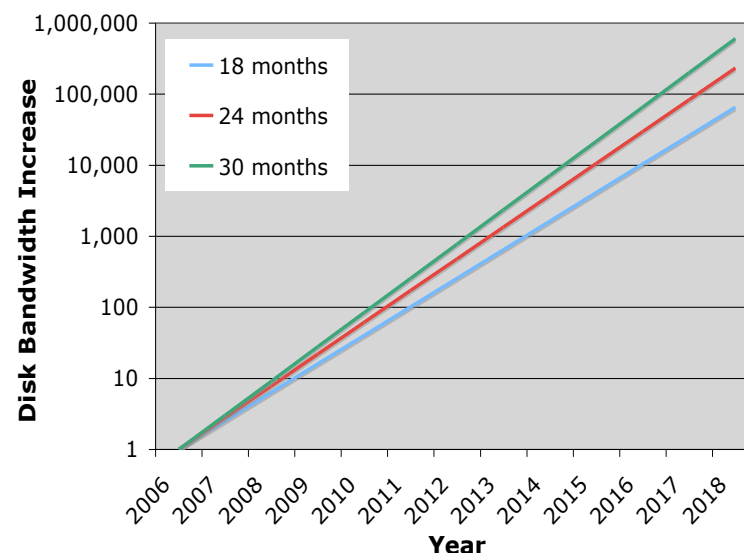


- ***but dropping MTTI kills app utilization!***



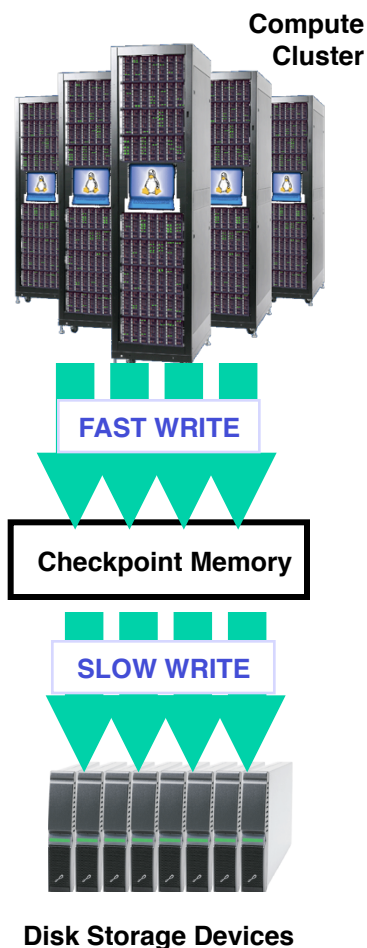
# Fault Tolerance Drives Bandwidth

- More storage bandwidth?
  - disk speed 1.2X/yr
    - # disks +67%/yr  
just for balance !
  - to also counter MTTI
    - # disks +130%/yr !
  - Little appetite for the cost
- N-1 checkpoints hurt BW
  - Concurrent strided write
  - Will fix with internal file structure: write optimized
  - See Zest, ADIOS, ....

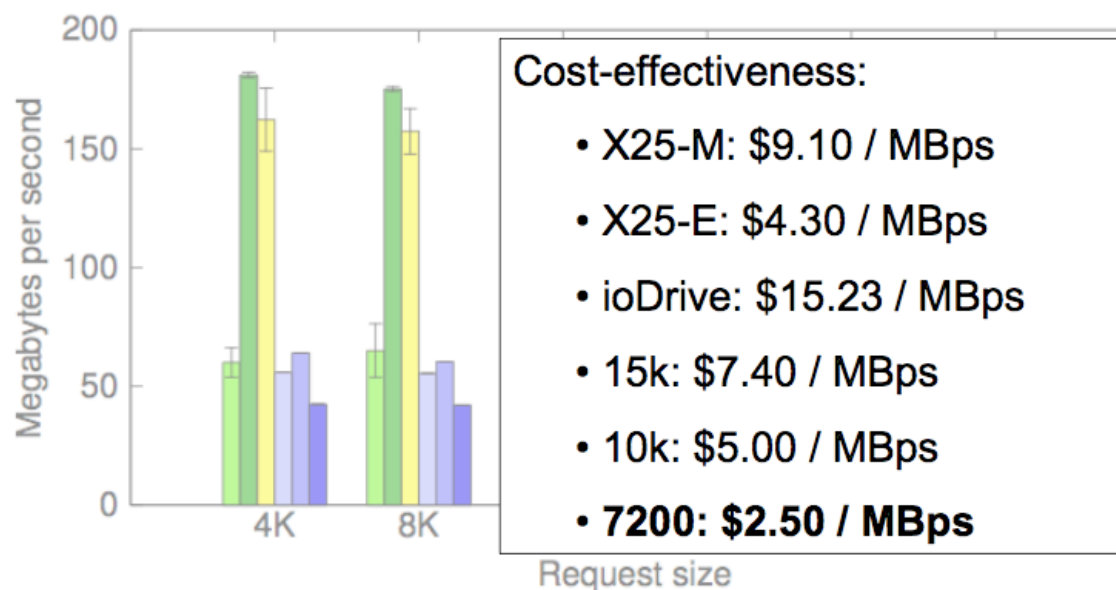




# Alternative: Specialize Checkpoints



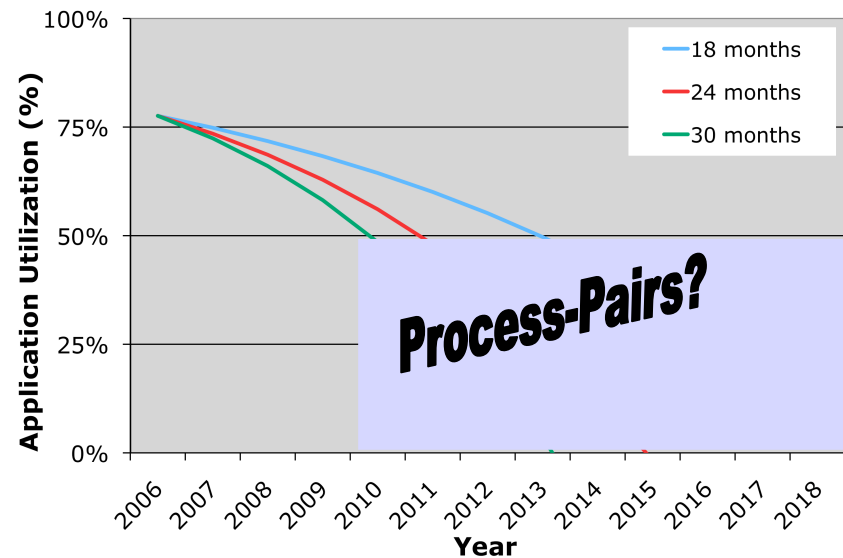
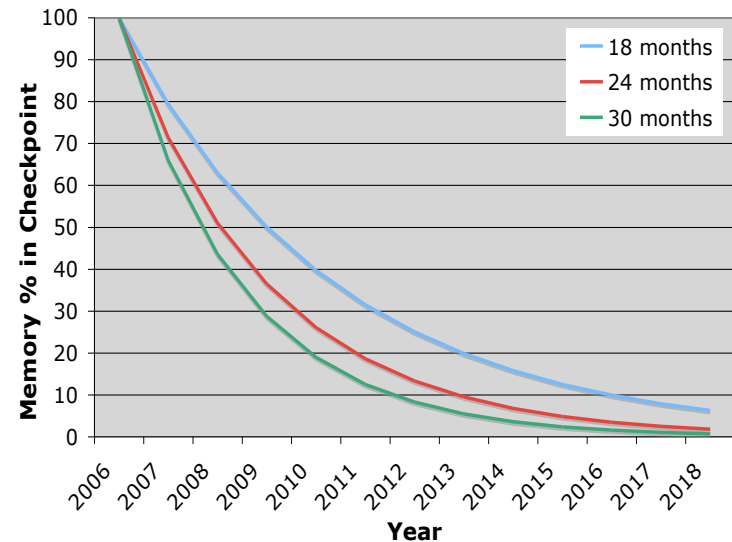
- Dedicated checkpoint device (ie., PSC Zest)
  - Stage checkpoint through fast memory
  - Cost of dedicated memory large fraction of total
  - Cheaper SSD (flash?) now bandwidth limited
  - There is hope: 1 flash chip == 1 disk BW .....



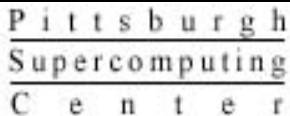






# Application Level Alternatives

- Compress checkpoints!
  - plenty of cycles available
  - smaller fraction of memory each year (application specific)
    - 25-50% smaller per year
- Classic enterprise answer: process pairs duplication
  - Flat 50% efficiency cost, plus message duplication

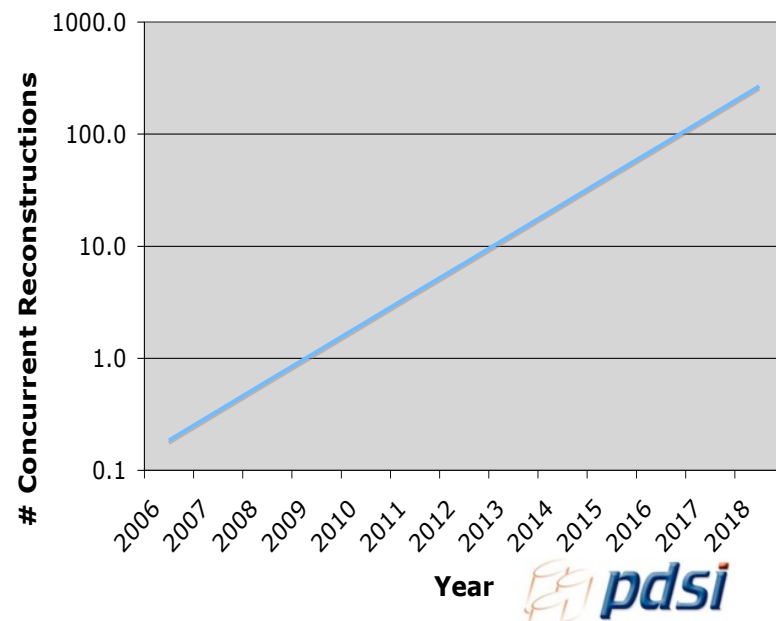
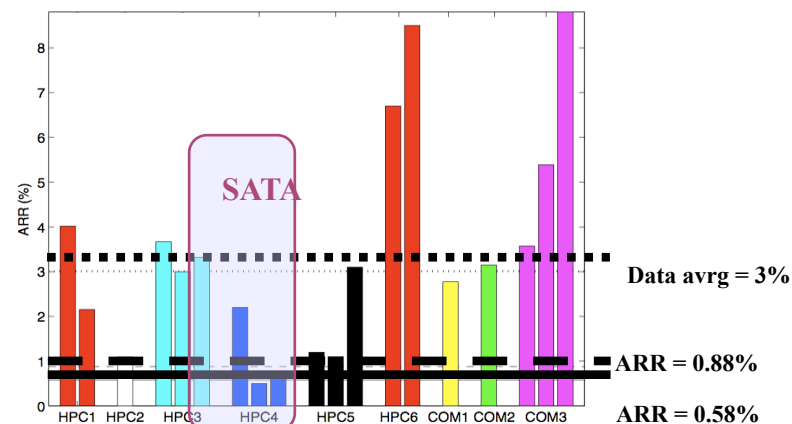


# Storage Suffers Failures Too

		Type of drive	Count	Duration
	HPC1	18GB 10K RPM SCSI 36GB 10K RPM SCSI	3,400	5 yrs
	HPC2	36GB 10K RPM SCSI	520	2.5 yrs
 Supercomputing X	HPC3	15K RPM SCSI 15K RPM SCSI 7.2K RPM SATA	14,208	1 yr
 Various HPCs	HPC4	250GB SATA 500GB SATA 400GB SATA	13,634	3 yrs
 Internet services Y	COM1	10K RPM SCSI	26,734	1 month
	COM2	15K RPM SCSI	39,039	1.5 yrs
	COM3	10K RPM FC-AL 10K RPM FC-AL 10K RPM FC-AL 10K RPM FC-AL	3,700	1 yr

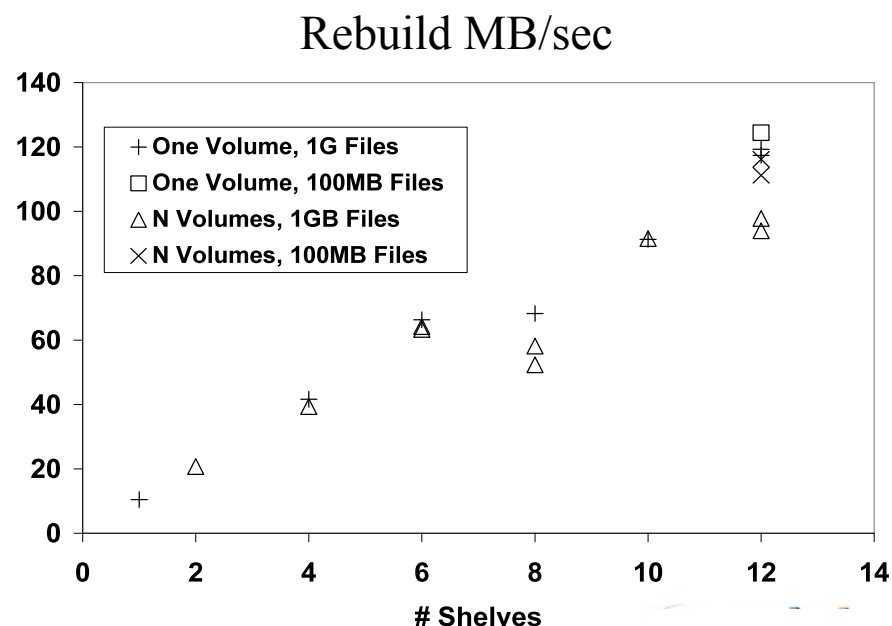
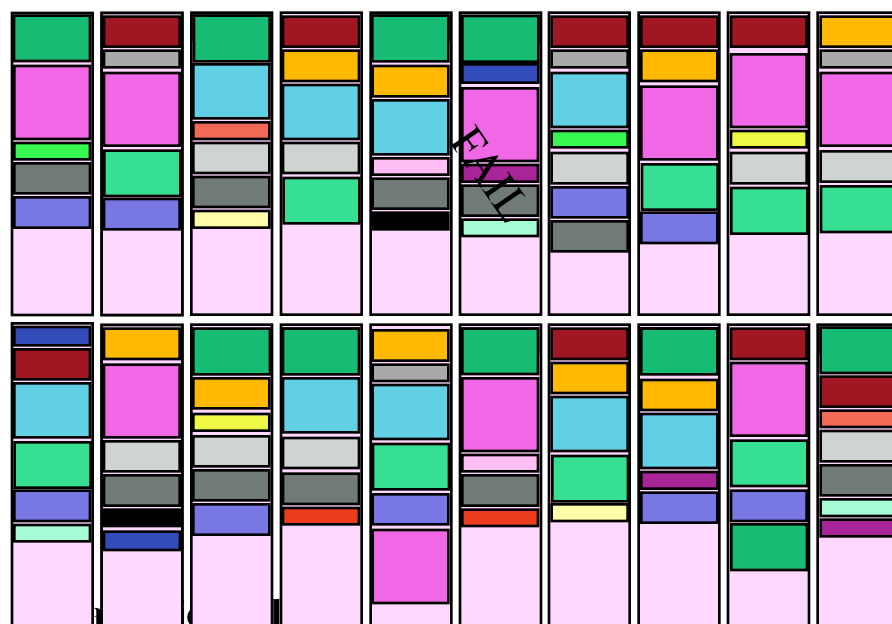
# Storage Failure Recovery is On-the-fly

- Scalable performance = more disks
- But disks are getting bigger
- Recovery per failure increasing
- Hours to days on disk arrays
- Consider # concurrent disk recoveries  
e.g. 10,000 disks  
3% per year replacement rate  
1+ day recovery each  
Constant state of recovering ?
- Maybe soon 100s of concurrent recoveries (at all times!)
- Design normal case for many failures (huge challenge!)



# Parallel Scalable Repair

- Defer the problem by making failed disk repair a parallel app
- File replication and, more recently, object RAID can scale repair
  - “decluster” redundancy groups over all disks (mirror or RAID)
  - use all disks for every repair, faster is less vulnerable
- Object (chunk of a file) storage architecture dominating at scale  
PanFS, Lustre, PVFS, ... GFS, HDFS, ... Centera, ...



# Scaling Exa- to Yotta-Scale

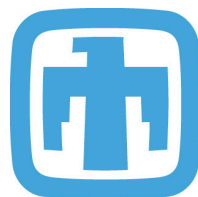
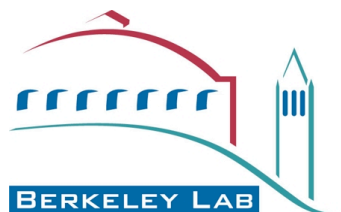
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- Exascale capacity parallelism not worse than compute parallelism
  - But internal fault tolerance harder for storage than compute
- Exascale bandwidth a big problem, but dominated by checkpoint
  - Specialize checkpoint solutions to reduce stress
  - Log-structured files, dedicated devices, Flash memory .....
  - Application alternatives: state compression, process pairs
- Long term: 20%/yr bandwidth growth serious concern
  - Primary problem is economic: what is value of data vs compute?
- Long term: 7%/yr access rate growth threatens market size
  - Solid state will replace disk for small random access

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