

A tale of 3 storage requirements

Archive, Science Operations, and Admin systems

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Definitions, Functions & Caveat

- Administrative
 - Business
 - headquarters data
- Mission
 - Weather observation
 - Archive systems
 - Science data
 - Supercomputing / HPCC
- May not cover unknown storage capabilities



CLASS for archive

- An archive
- Not a general storage pool
- Extremely high latency
 - Request responses in Days
- No backend (direct) interfaces?
 - tape storage
 - FC
- Incredibly Slow performance
- Structured datasets (exclusively?)



Science Ops Requirements

- High performance
 - SSD or Spinning disk
- Direct attached, SAN, or Networked
 - 10Gb, Infiniband, or 4/8GbFC
- Format
 - Blocks and Files
- Low latency
- Sized appropriately to data sets
 - Depends on size of data set
 - Most likely in terabytes to a Pb.
- Data can be unstructured or structured



Admin System Storage Requirements

- General storage pool
- May include PII (SECURITY)
- Low performance for users
 - Slow reads not a big issue for individuals
 - May be an issue in the aggregate
- High performance for servers
 - IOPS is an issue
- Extremely duplicative
 - NOAA stores copies of the same thing.
- Format
 - Blocks and Files



Enterprise Storage solutions Visualized by similarities

Archive type storage in NOAA

High performance storage



(Nothing enterprise)

General unstructured data

(Nothing enterprise)



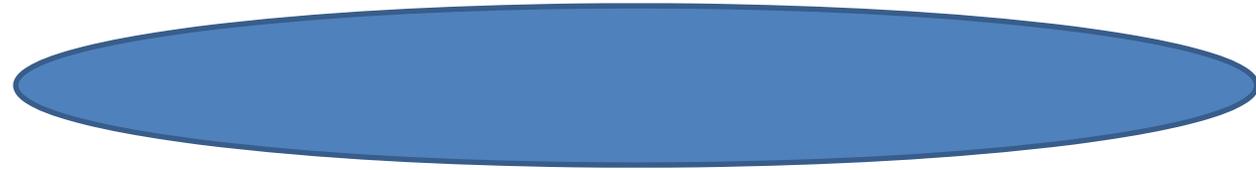
Asking the right question

- Why aren't CLASS and HPCS sharing resources?
- Do we need a general storage, or high performance storage capability for science operations and admin systems?
- Can one capability meet all of above?
 - Archive
 - High performance
 - Low performance / PII



A service oriented capability?

Staff



Storage



Performance

Slow

Fast

Ludicrous

Interfaces

Direct | SAN | Network | Infiniband

Availability

Best effort | 99% | 99.9% | 99.99% | 99.999% | 99.9999%

Bandwidth

10Mb | 100Mb | 1000Mb