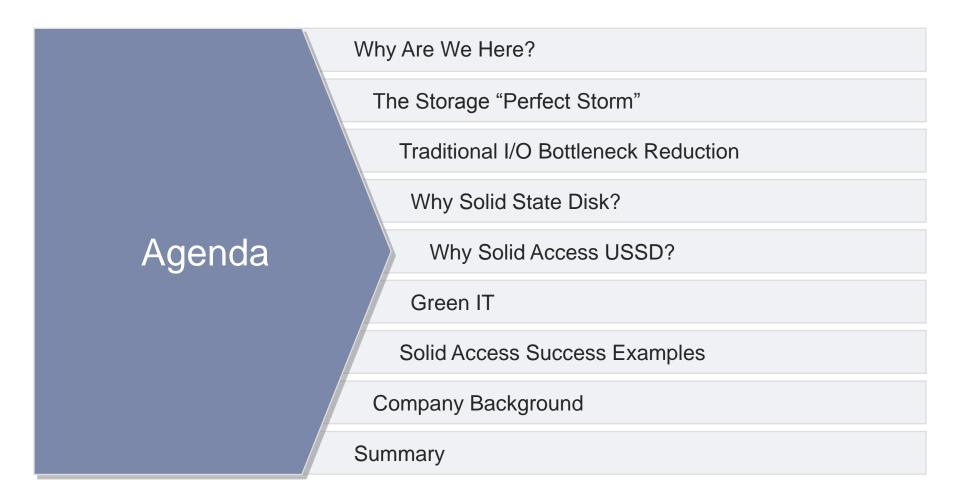


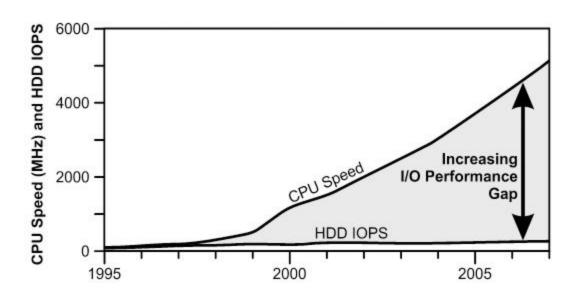
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### Why are we here?



- CPU Performance has Increased by 30 Times Over 10 Years
- Hard Disc Drive (HDD) Latency has Improved 1.3 times (Source: Intel Corporation Measurements, 2006)
- HDD Latency IS the Cause of I/O Bottlenecks

"It's so grossly out of whack that for many workloads the disk drive ends up determining what the effective system performance is."

- Intel's Knut Grimsrud, Technology and Manufacturing Group Director



### The Storage "Perfect Storm"

Demand for Increased Storage Performance and Capacity

Continuous Requirement

#### Space Consolidation Mandates

 If Servers Can Be Consolidated, Why Not Storage?

## **Spiraling Energy Costs** for Power and Cooling

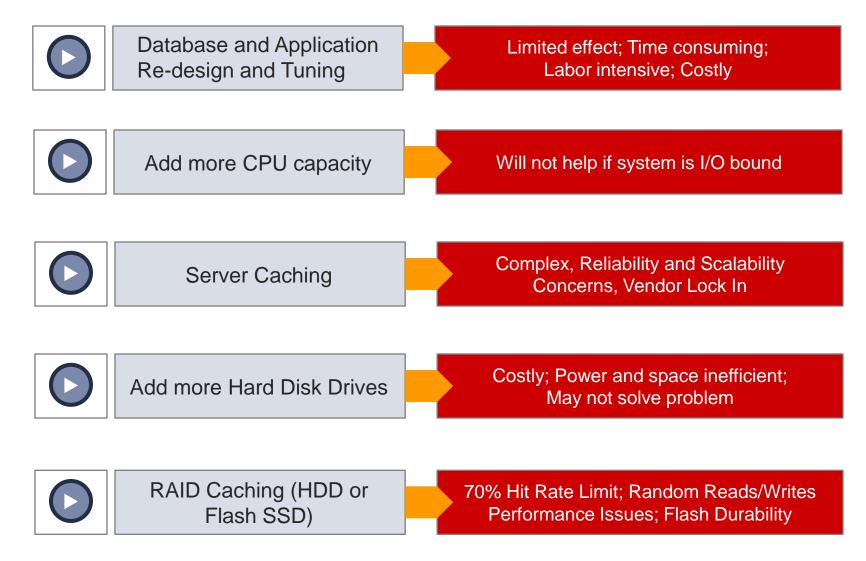
- Caps on IT power consumption and spending
- Permanent Issue Moving Forward

# How to Reconcile Opposing Directives?

 ...and Still Meet Business Objectives

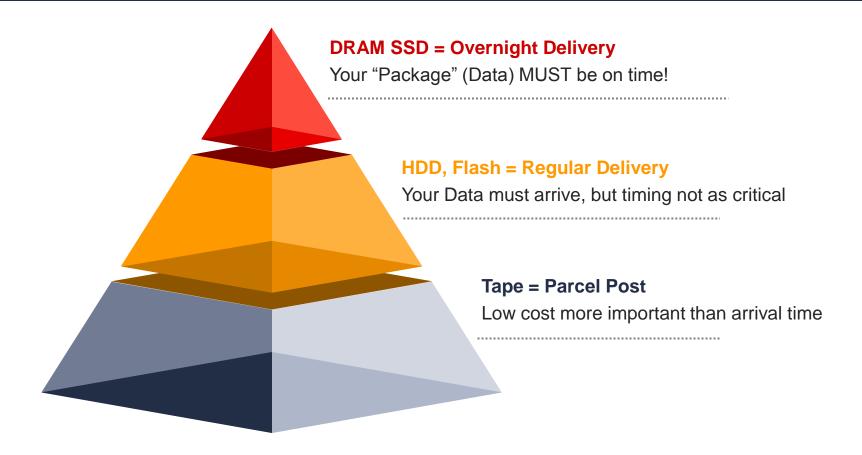


#### Traditional I/O Bottleneck Reduction





### Why Solid State Disc?



- Storage only element in data chain using non-electronic components!
- Use Ultra Fast SSD When Solving I/O Bottlenecks Means the Difference Between <u>Success and Failure</u> - Use HDD, Flash, Tape for All Else



## Why Solid Access USSD?

Unmatched I/O Acceleration and Universal Connectivity	<ul> <li>Fastest Customer Benchmarked Storage Device for DAS, SAN</li> <li>Multi-Protocol Support for Fibre Channel, SAS and SCSI</li> <li>Infiniband, iSCSI (10 Gb/Sec) on Roadmap</li> <li>Support for All Major Operating Systems (OS-Agnostic)</li> </ul>
Random, Sequential Read/Write at RAM Speed	- 10 μSecond Access Means Almost Zero Latency
Proven Under 24x7x365 Mission Critical Conditions	- Two Years In Production with Zero Field Failures
"Plug and Play", non-Disruptive Logical Storage Device	- Same Day I/O Acceleration; No Training Required
100% Use of Standard "Off the Shelf" Components	Proven Products/Vendors in Use in IT Servers     Solid Access' Added Value in Firmware, not Expensive,     Proprietary Hardware Design
3rd Generation Product in Development Since 2002	- Confidence Inspiring Mature Technology
Least Expensive Ultra Fast SSD Product Available!	- Solid Access Published Pricing Confirms Our Claim



#### Green IT

#### SSD

- 60K IOPS = 1 SSD
- Space = 2U
- Power = 218 W + 109 Cooling
- Total = 327 Watts
- Annual Cost = \$250
- Labor = \$0

Product Cost = \$50K (64 GB)

#### HDD

- 60K IOPS = 300 HDDs
- Space = Approx. 40U
- Power = 15 W + 7.5 W Cooling
- Total = 6,750 Watts
- Annual Cost = \$8,000
- Labor = Periodic Maintenance,
   Failed Drive Replacement, Etc.

Product Cost = \$200K



### Solid Access Success Examples

### **Options Trading Message Capture**

SSD Handles 250-320 Million Database Insertions/Trading Day

Expected 907K/Sec OPRA Message Not Possible With HDD

#### **ERP**

Reduced \$15 Million Order Backlog to \$0 Almost Overnight

#### Nuclear Emissions, Water Quality Monitoring

SSD to Handle Huge Concurrent User Spike if Problem Occurs

#### **Device Monitoring**

Solved HDD-related SLA non-compliance issues

Reduced Data Center Server, Power, Cooling, Space Needs

#### Large Securities Firm Acquires 28 Units

Replaces High End RAID Units for Securities Processing

I/O Bottleneck Resolution Allows Added CPU Capacity

#### SaaS Performance Enhancement

Slow End User Response Times During Peak User Periods Solved by SSD

#### **IT Outsourcing**

5% Client
Performance
Improvement After 2
Week Consult
40% Additional "Out
of the Box"
Improvement with
SSD



### Solid Access Success Story



#### iGLASS Networks, Cary, NC

iGLASS Networks is a SaaS (Software as a Service) provider of outsourced Network Operations Center (NOC) services for companies nationwide.

#### **Key Issues**

- Monitoring and notification of any IP-addressable device
- 24x7 real time storage access requirement with strict SLAs
- I/O bound app server approaching SLA metric failure scanning 7 M devices every two minutes
- Chronic issue not solvable by HDD devices
- Single largest performance challenge

#### **Solution**

- I/O-intensive files moved to Solid Access USSD
- Eliminated bottleneck problems and potential customer SLA non-compliance issues
- No disruption to existing infrastructure and no additional support staff requirements
- Reduced data center power, cooling and space needs



## Company Background



- Introduced Universal Solid State Disc (USSD) in 2002
- International Sales, Development and Client Base
- Headquartered in Boston Area (Newburyport, MA)
- Clients include U.S. Federal Agency, European Union, Financial Services, High Technology, SaaS, Etc.
- Focus on Providing Lowest Cost, Mature SSD Offerings
- Partnerships with Known Industry Leaders (AMD, LSI Logic, Samsung, Super Micro, Powerware)



### Summary



- HDD Latency is the Cause of I/O Bottlenecks!
- Perfect Storage Storm Means Adapting to New Realities
- SSD Provides Near Zero Latency Data Access
- Proven in Mission Critical Environments
- SSD as Part of Green IT Initiatives
- Solid Access is the Lowest Cost SSD Solution