

Store Age networking technologies

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Switch-based Storage Services

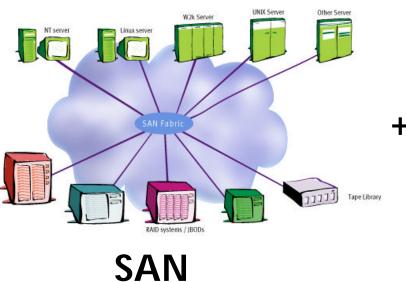


Today's Storage Challenges

- Increased storage utilization
- Match user and application needs
- Grow storage capacity without increasing administration labor
- Improved application performance
- Increased data availability, zero window backup, DR, migration
- Cross Platform Copy Services



The Current Answer



Virtualization



How It Works

Virtualization is the technology which separates the logical representation of storage from the actual physical storage components.



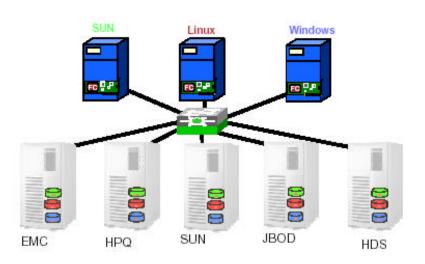
Different Implementations

- Host based
- Storage based
- Network based



Host Based

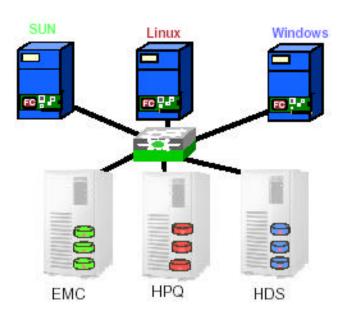
- Capabilities
 - Agnostic to storage array
 - Multipathing
 - Highly scalable
- Disadvantages
 - LUN allocation –
 low flexibility, non-efficient
 usage of capacity
 - Distributed management
 - Uses host CPU





Storage Based

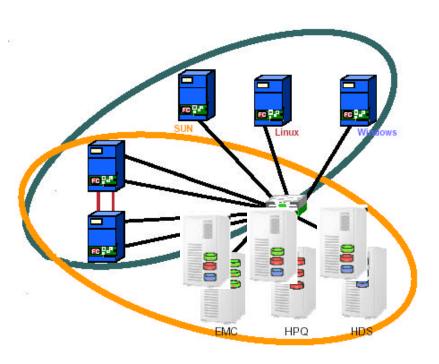
- Capabilities
 - Server agnostic
 - Central management
- Disadvantages
 - Vendor (product) lock-in
 - Scalability out of array





Network Based

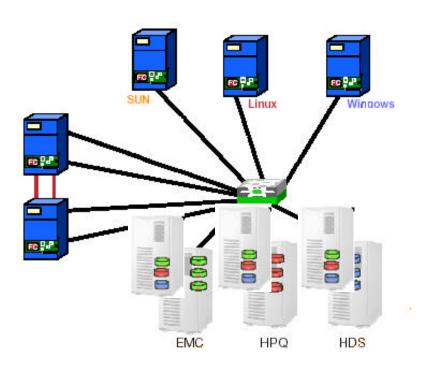
- In-the-data path
 - Advantages
 - Central management
 - Highly secured
 - Cross storage platform
 - Disadvantages
 - Limited resources on appliance –
 CPU/Memory/HBAs
 - Scalability





Network Based

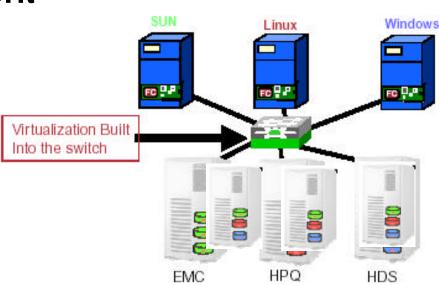
- Out-of-the-data path
 - Advantages
 - Central management
 - Cross storage platform
 - Highly scalable
 - Disadvantages
 - Management of host agents
 - Manual security management





Next-Generation Network Based Virtualization

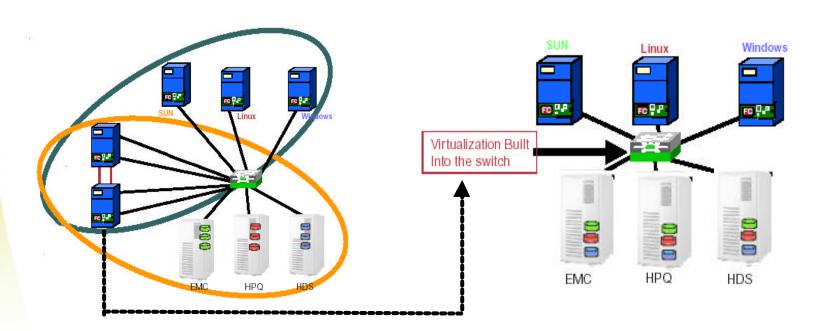
- All Virtualization traditional challenges
- Highly secured
- Wire speed throughput
- Central management
- Highly scalable





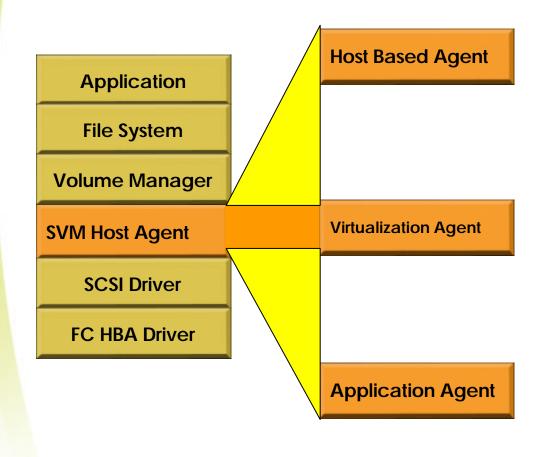
Mid-term Solutions

- Centralized Switch based virtualization
 - Scalability?
 - Wire throughput?





Modular Agent Capability



Path Management

Multi-pathing

Failover

Load balancing

Security

Volume Management

Creation multiView

Striping multi*Copy*

Allocation multiMirror

Provisioning

Host Application Integration

Quiesce

File system

Scripts (CLI & API)

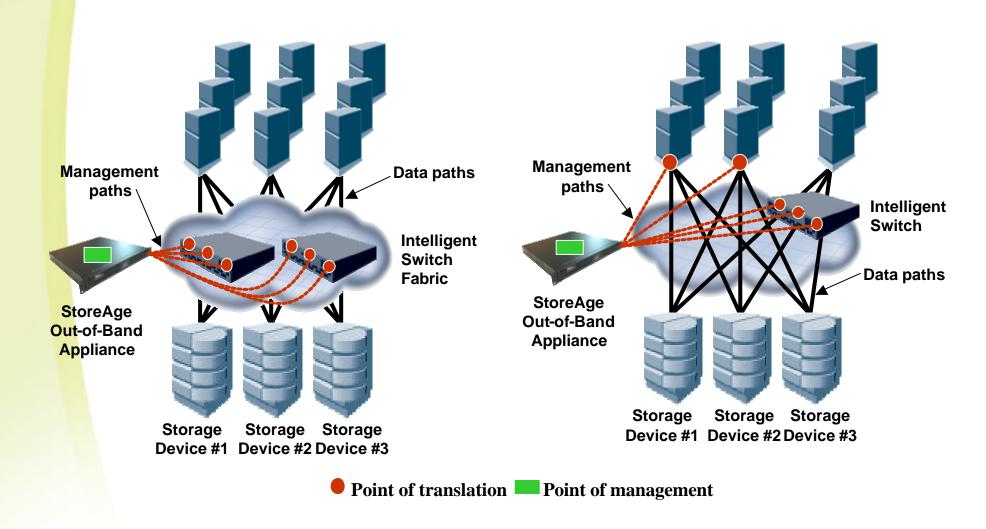


StoreAge Solution

- Central storage management deployment
- Distributed virtualization fits switch implementation
 - Allows "point of translation" to be anywhere
 - Allows wire speed translation
 - Common metadata server synchronizes activity
- Provide storage management to IP networks



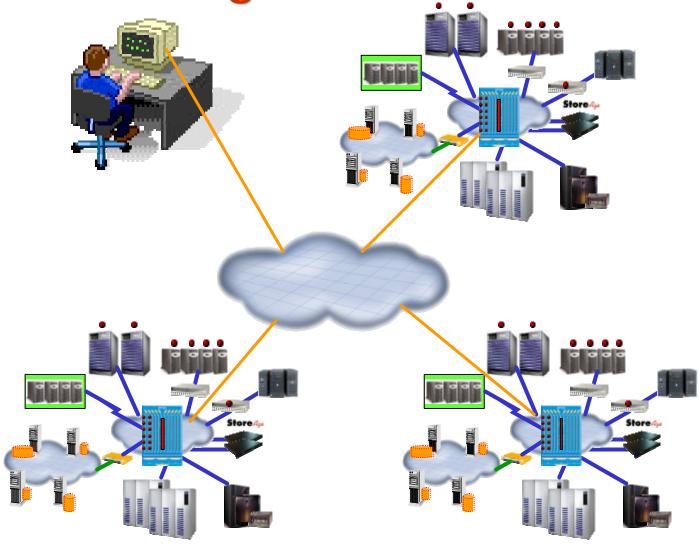
Distributed Switch Based Virtualization







The True Scaling of SAN



The Virtualization Architects



Benefits

- Backward compatible with legacy devices
- Scalability (distribution of Virtualization to switch ports)
- Central management
- Agent consolidation

 Gathers all Virtualization architectures benefits with no drawbacks



Questions?