

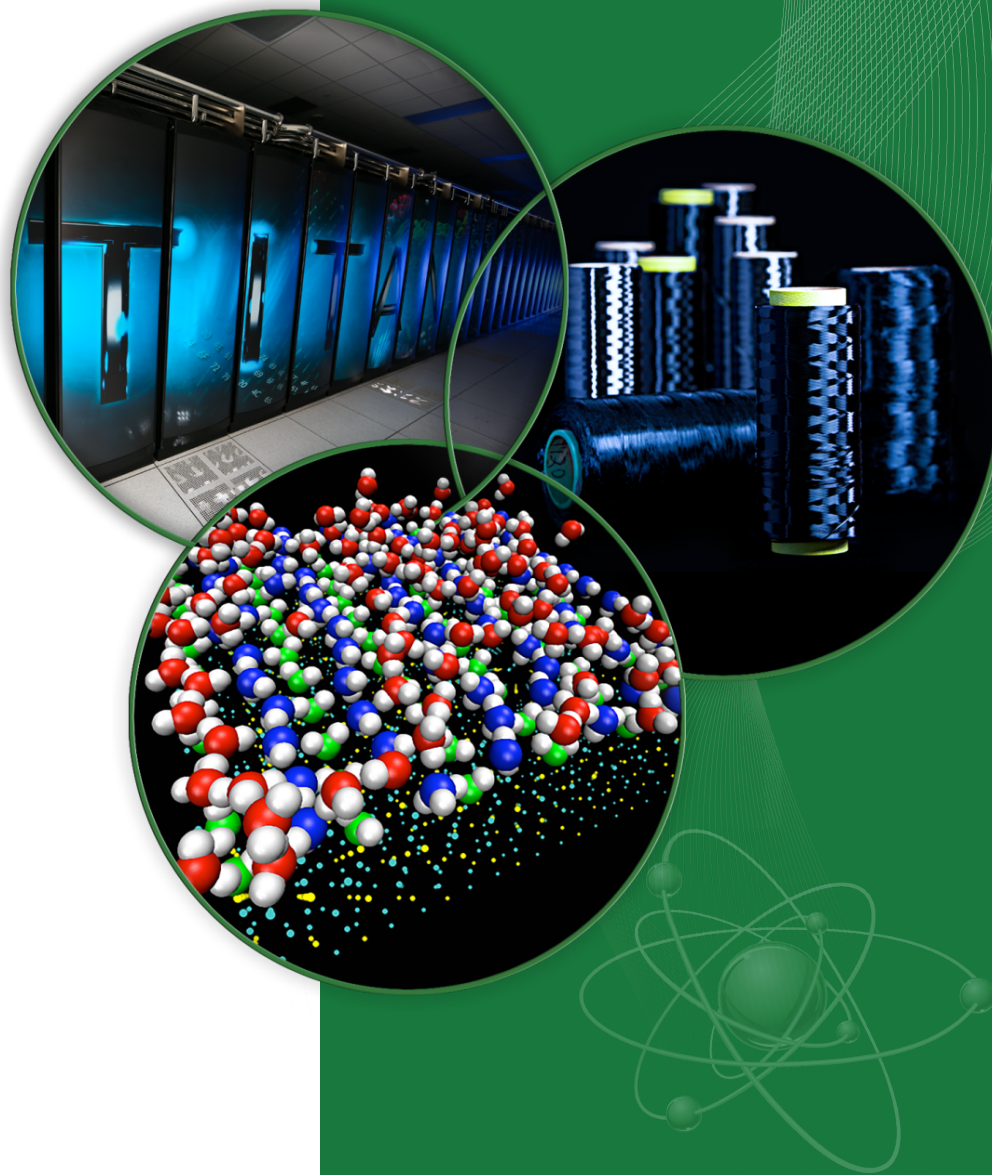
Robust Health Monitoring

- Lustre
- InfiniBand
- Storage Arrays

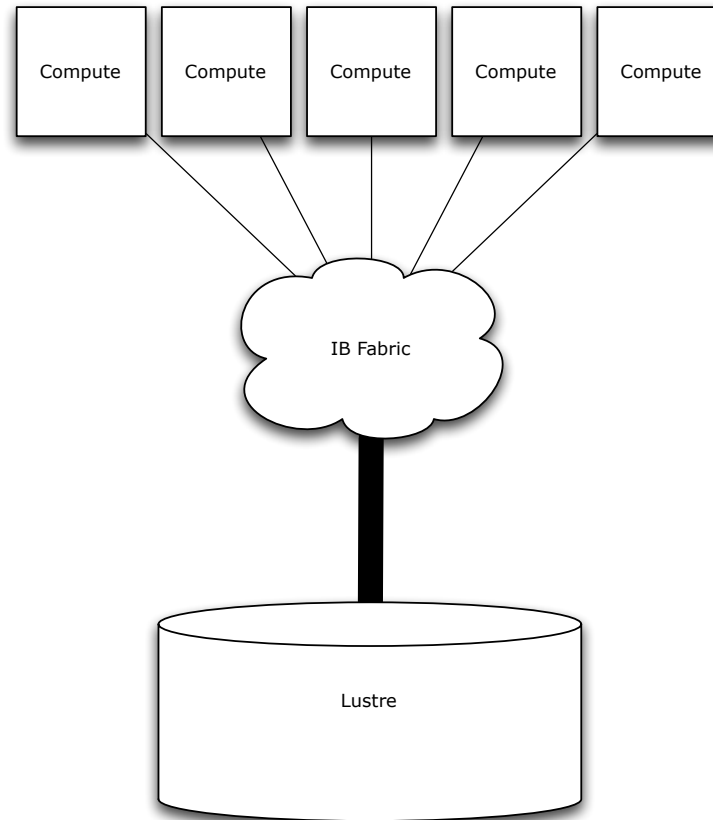
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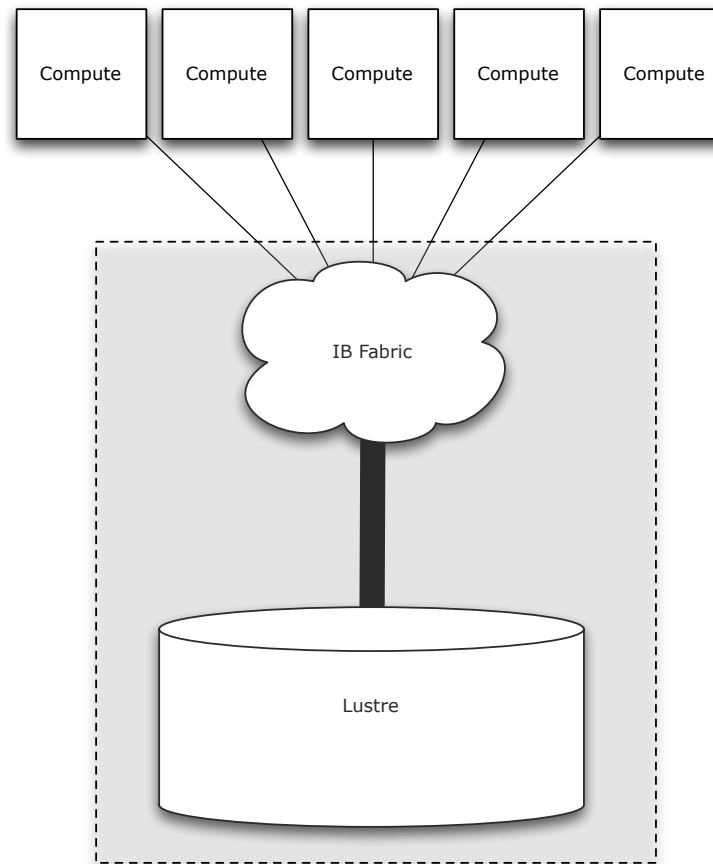


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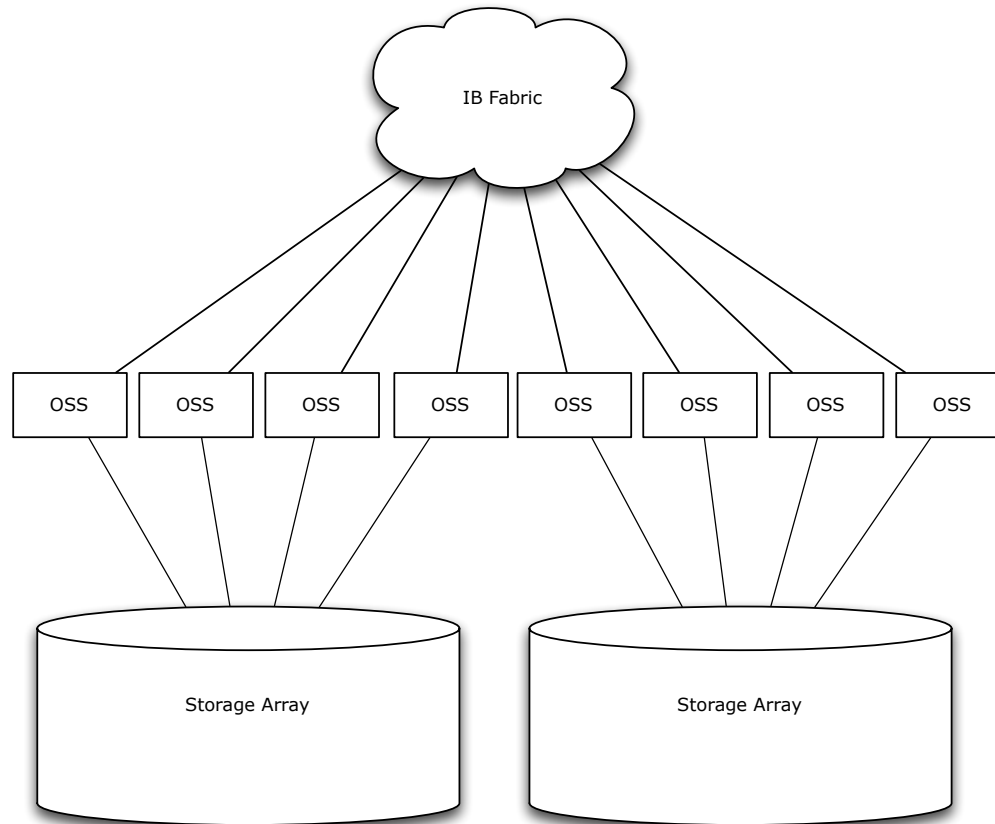
High-level view: a compute cluster connected to a parallel file system

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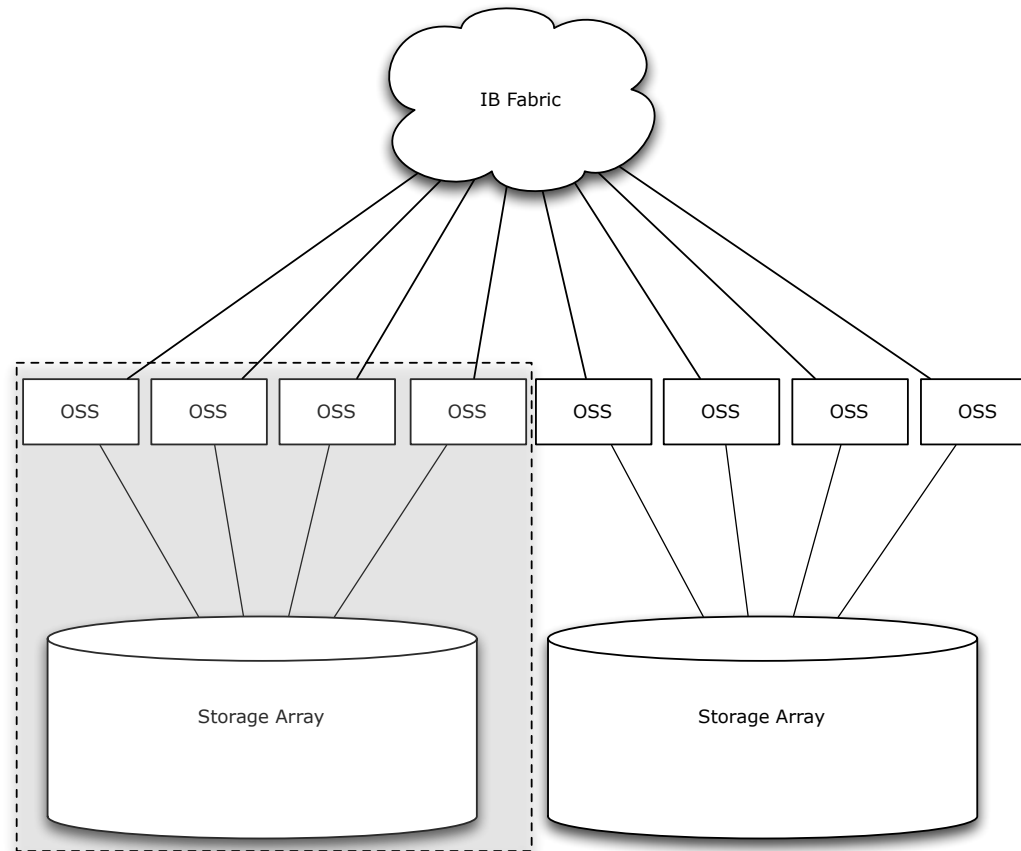
High-level view: focus in on just the filesystem infrastructure

Not too bad...



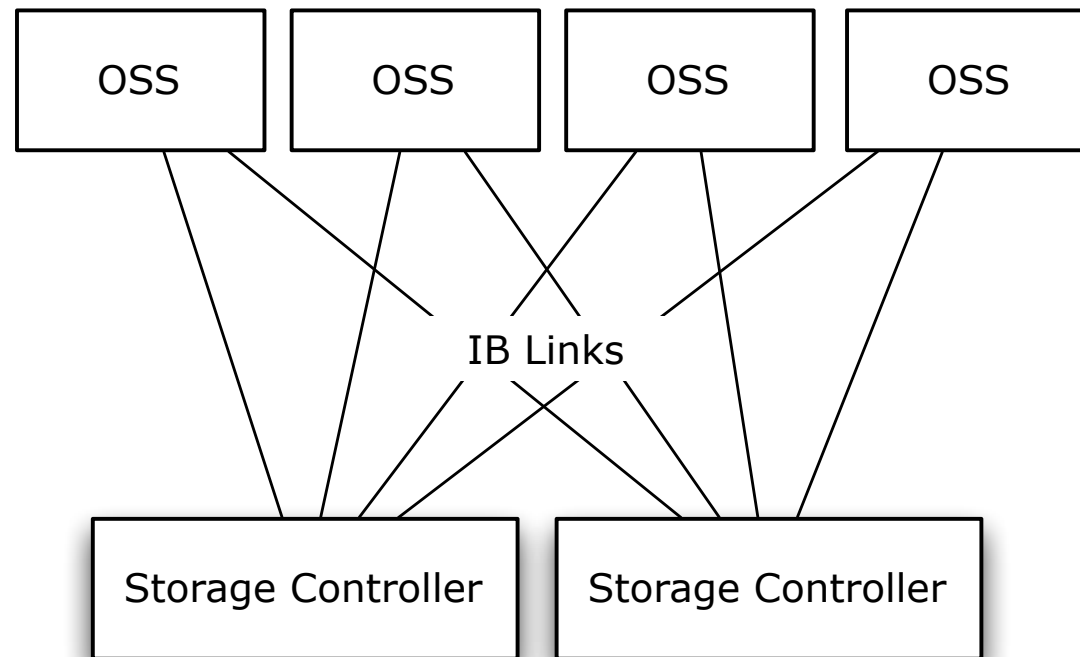
View of PFS: composed of both servers and storage arrays

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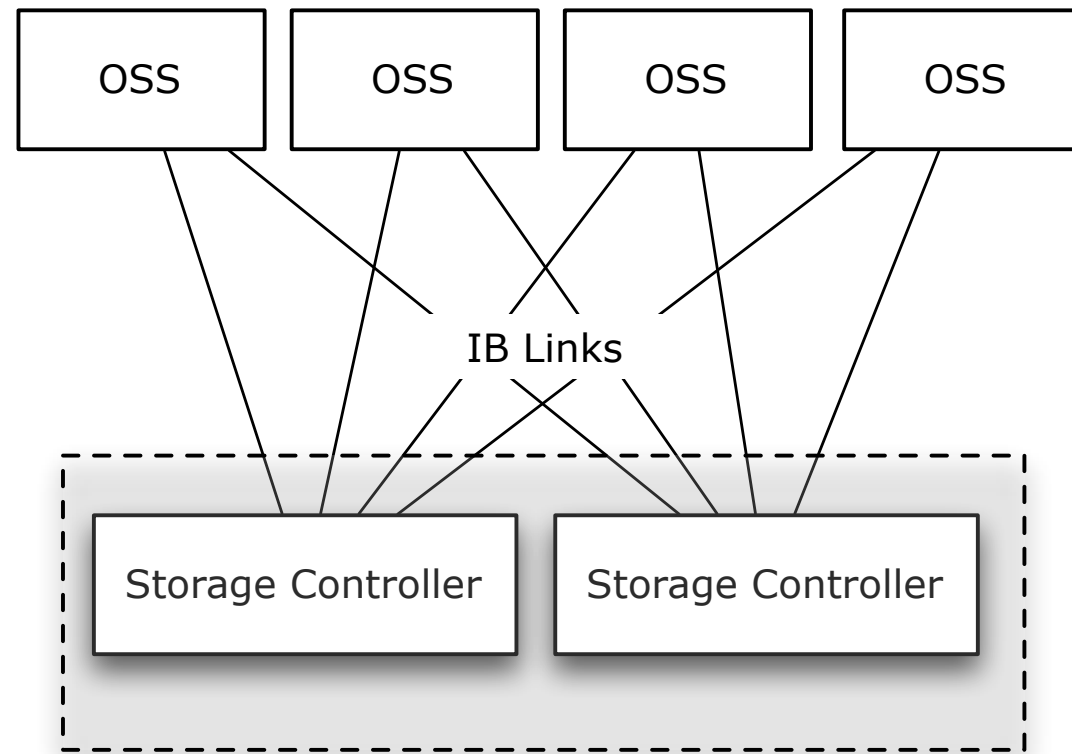
View of PFS: organized into scalable units

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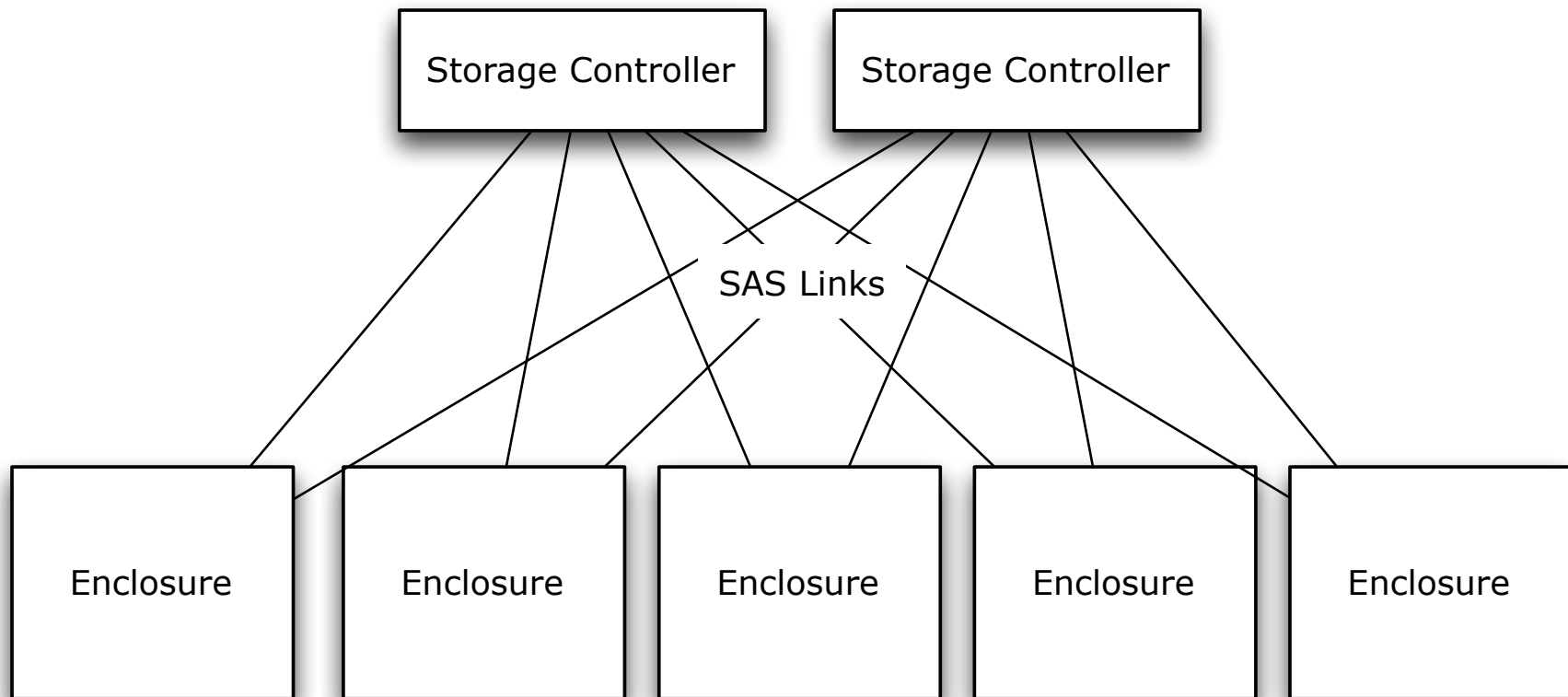
View of Scalable Unit: a mesh of IB links for throughput and high availability

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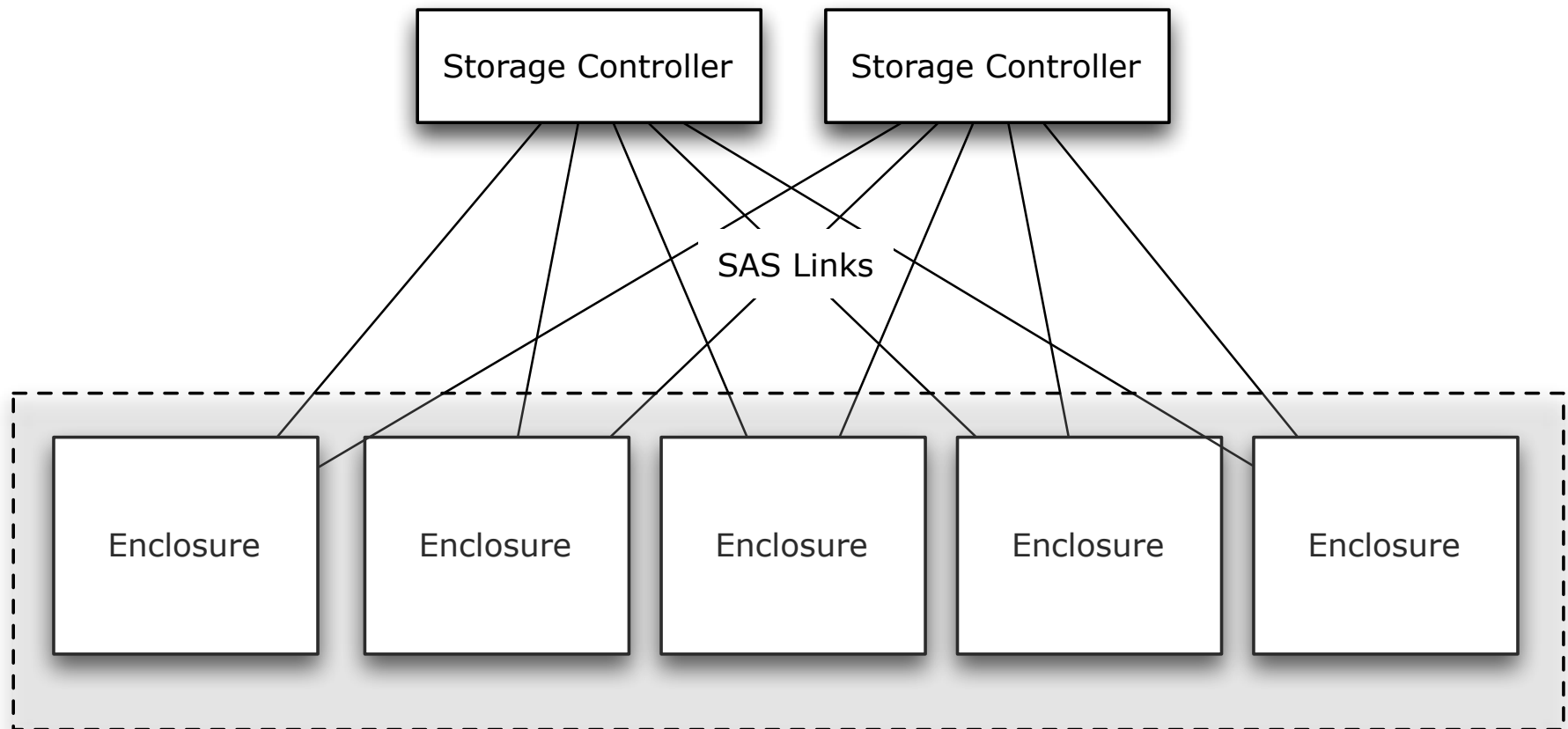
View of Scalable Unit: the storage array has individually monitor-able components

Another layer?



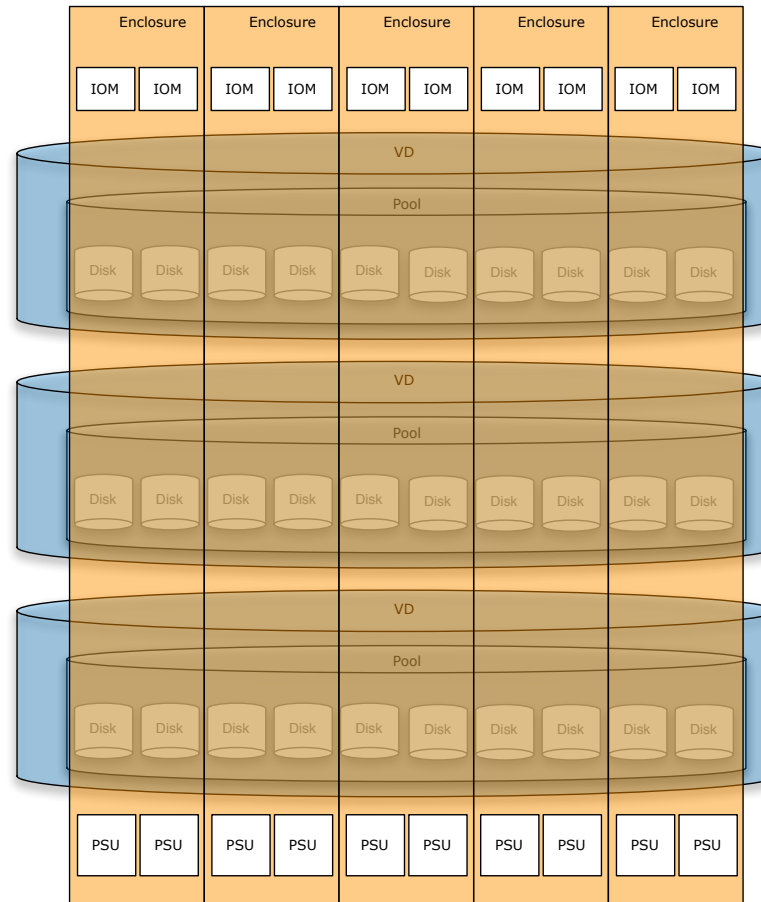
View of Storage Array: redundant SAS links connect disk enclosures

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View of Storage Array: more complexity still within enclosure units

We need some help!



View of Storage Enclosures: contains pools, VDs, IO modules, power supplies, and hundreds of disks, all of which can fail (**so we monitor them**)

This talk will cover...

- A monitoring infrastructure for Lustre
- Tools used for monitoring layers
 - DDN SFA check (block)
 - IB health check (network)
 - Custom scripts (Lustre)
- How common kernel LustreError log messages correlate with monitored events

Monitoring Infrastructure

- Nagios: for ***alerting***
- Splunk: for ***information*** to be investigated
 - Send out snippets of syslog to filesystem admins
 - Interesting DDN SFA logs
 - SCSI sense errors (predict PD failure)
 - RAID parity mismatches
 - Rebooted OSS/MDS
 - Read-only LUN
 - Memory errors
- LMT/others: for ***performance*** monitoring

Nagios Infrastructure

- All Lustre hosts and DDN controllers are *hosts*
- *Service* checks: (e.g. sfa_check, ib_health_check)
13,000 in OLCF!!
 - Check commands:
 - check_snmp_sfa_health.sh
 - check_snmp_extend.pl
- Hosts run scripts via snmp extend (snmpd.conf)

```
extend monitor_ib_health /opt/bin/monitor_ib_health.sh
```

1st layer: backend storage arrays

- Hardware failure events:
 - Disk failures
 - Enclosure power supplies
 - Inter-controller links
- Assess the impact on:
 - Redundancy
 - Performance
 - Cache status

SFA Check

- Periodic execution of API commands on all DDN arrays
 - Asynchronous from Nagios polling
- Python multiprocessing library
 - Manages a pool of workers (one per SFA couplet)
 - Times out stuck workers and propagates error to SNMP
- Modular design
 - All component checks perform doHealthCheck() for overall component status (OK, NON_CRITICAL, CRITICAL)
 - Additional component-specific checks (e.g. ICLChannelCheck)
 - InfinibandPortState == ACTIVE
 - InfinibandCurrentWidth == 4
 - ErrorStatisticCounts[SymbolErrorCounter] < 20
- Checks configuration of pools (caching, parity/integrity checks)

SFA Check

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Classes that return health status (OK, NON_CRITICAL, CRITICAL):

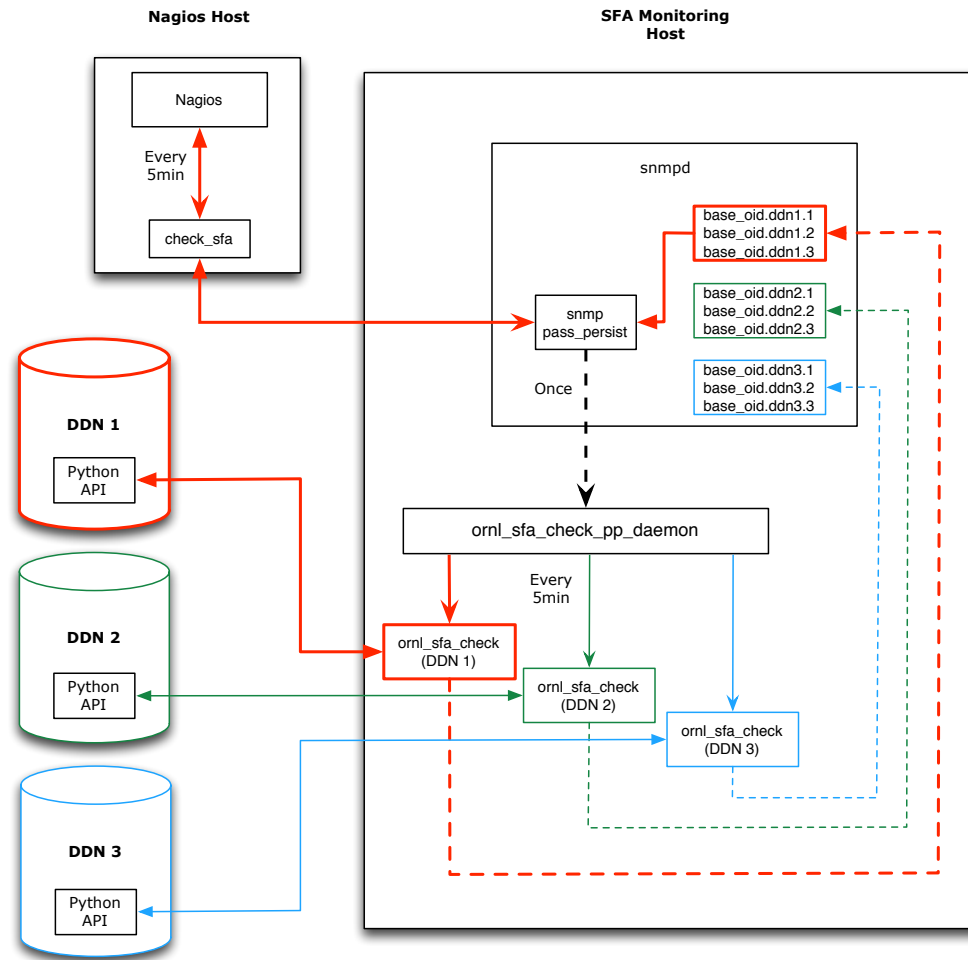
- Physical disks (PD)
- Virtual disk (VD) objects (made up of PDs)
- Pools (made up of VDs)
- Inter-controller links (ICL)
- Power supplies
- Host channels (HCAs)
- Internal configuration disks
- SAS expanders
- SAS expander processor (SEP)
- UPS units (external)
- IO Controllers (IOC)
- Fans
- RAID processors
- Voltage sensors
- Temperature sensors

poolCheck() example

- Top-level generic check: doHealthCheck()
- Specific checks:
 - State: degraded, no redundancy, critical
 - Rebuild state
 - Ownership by controller
 - Bad block count (*)

(*) only in CLI extended mode (-x)

SFA check design



SNMP OID structure

```
# snmpwalk -v2c -c public_monitor_host .1.3.6.1.4.1.341.49.1
```

```
SNMPv2-SMI::enterprises.341.49.1.12.97...98.49.1 = INTEGER: 0
```

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Return code

Nagios String

Timestamp

SFA Check Output

```
[fpc@or-mgmt01 ~]$ /opt/lustre/bin/ornl_sfa_check.py or-ddn-a1 or-ddn-b1 or-ddn-c1 or-ddn-d1
POOL: 2 Checks WARNING - Index 53 DEGRADED
POWER SUPPLY: CRITICAL
All Checks OK
All Checks OK
[fpc@or-mgmt01 ~]$ /opt/lustre/bin/ornl_sfa_check.py -x or-ddn-a1 or-ddn-b1 or-ddn-c1 or-ddn-d1
or_ddn_a Check Summary:
-----
Messages from check POOL
Messages from check VIRTUAL DISK
VIRTUAL DISK: 2 Checks WARNING
VIRTUAL DISK Health: OK   Index: 37; Child Health: NON_CRITICAL
VIRTUAL DISK Health: OK   Index: 53; Child Health: NON_CRITICAL

POOL: 2 Checks WARNING
POOL Health: NON_CRITICAL   Index: 37
POOL Health: NON_CRITICAL   Index: 53

or_ddn_b Check Summary:
-----
All Checks OK
```

SFA Check Output

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or-ddn-c Check Summary:

Messages from check POOL

Messages from check VIRTUAL DISK

VIRTUAL DISK: 1 Check WARNING

VIRTUAL DISK Index: 4; BadBlocks: 1

POOL: 1 Check WARNING

Pool Index: 4; BadBlocks: 1

or-ddn-d Check Summary:

Messages from check POWER SUPPLY

Messages from check CONTROLLER

CONTROLLER: 2 Checks WARNING

CONTROLLER Health: OK Name: A Index: 0; Child Health: CRITICAL

CONTROLLER Health: OK Name: B Index: 1; Child Health: CRITICAL

POWER SUPPLY: 1 Check CRITICAL

POWER SUPPLY Health: CRITICAL EnclosureIndex: 10 Location: PSU 2 Index: 2

Other block-level OSS checks

- Multipath
 - 2 paths to each LUN
- SRP daemon
 - 2 processes (for each IB port)
- Block tuning
 - Udev rules correctly set for each block **AND** dm device
 - max_sectors_kb = max_hw_sectors_kb
 - scheduler = “noop”
 - nr_requests, read_ahead_kb

2nd layer: network interconnect (IB)

What we're looking for:

- Faulty host IB links to:
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- Fabric health (switch ports and inter-switch links)
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TODO

IB Health Check

- HCA and local link health
 - Local errors check (HCA port)
 - Remote errors check (switch port)
- PCI width/speed of each HCA
 - Identify failed hardware or firmware issues
 - Appropriate slot placement
- Port in up/active state
- Link speed/width matches capability
- SM lid is set

IB Health Check Output

Host ↕	Service ↕	Status ↕	Last Check ↕	Duration ↕	Attempt ↕	Status Information ↕
ninja17	IB_HEALTH	CRITICAL	08:55:47	3d 10h 12m 35s	10/10 #2	mlx4_0-ib0:CRITICAL - Link rate: 40Gbps is inappropriate for FDR IB ::
select all (hosts) - unselect all - all problems - all with downtime						

Host ↕	Service ↕	Status ↕	Last Check ↕	Duration ↕	Attempt ↕	Status Information ↕
atlas-spare03	IB_HEALTH	CRITICAL	08:58:21	4d 21h 36m 7s	10/10 #20	mlx4_1-ib0:CRITICAL - Link rate: 20Gbps is inappropriate for FDR IB - IB HCA errors for "atlas-spare03 mlx4_1" GUID 0x2c90300185511 port 1: [SymbolErrorCounter == 5583] ::
select all (hosts) - unselect all - all problems - all with downtime						

Fabric Monitoring

- Issues to resolve:
 - Scaling health checks to 2000 ports
 - Discover new trends, not thresholds crossed
 - Storage and retrieval
 - Selective presentation of information
 - Alerting interface
 - Performance monitoring interface

Nagios scripts for IB Fabric and SFA checks

- <https://github.com/bacaldwell/scalable-monitoring>
 - DDN SFA checks
 - sfa_check
 - Monitor IB fabric
 - monitor_ib_health

3rd layer: Lustre monitoring

- /proc/fs/lustre/health_check
- /proc/mounts
- /proc/fs/lustre/devices
 - osd, osp, mgc, mds, mdt in UP state
- /proc/sys/lnet/stats
 - queued LNET messages
- /proc/sys/lnet/peers
 - connection state and queued messages to other servers
- lfs check servers
- llstat

Lustre monitoring tools

- Capturing monitoring metrics in database for analysis
 - Robinhood (changelogs)
 - LMT (collectl)
- Scripts to collect using llstat, plot with gnuplot or matplotlib
 - See “Monitoring the Lustre file system to maintain optimal performance,” by Gabriele Paciucci, LAD 2013

How monitoring helps with these kernel messages

- Read-only OST
 - Trigger lustre_health, Splunk alerts

```
Oct 25 14:35:09 oss1b8 kernel: [ 726.179459] LDISKFS-fs (dm-25):  
Remounting filesystem read-only  
Oct 25 14:35:09 oss1b8 kernel: [ 726.445822] Remounting filesystem  
read-only
```

More Lustre kernel messages

- Bulk I/O failure and LNET timeouts
 - Check IB_health for errors
 - Probably useful syslog messages
 - After determining root cause, can a Splunk alert be written?

```
Dec 8 12:11:52 atlas-oss3b4 kernel: [1032388.030434] Lustre: atlas2-OST009b:  
Bulk IO read error with 3b57a9ed-bec6-9b0d-7da8-04d696e1a7f2 (at  
10.36.202.138@o2ib), client will retry: rc -110
```


More Lustre kernel messages

- OST unreachable
 - Health checks for OSS on which OST resides
 - Next check IB fabric (are messages getting lost?)

```
Dec 8 12:11:52 dtn04.ccs.ornl.gov kernel: Lustre: atlas2-  
OST009b-osc-ffff880c392f9400: Connection to service atlas2-  
OST009b via nid 10.1.0.145@o2ib was lost; in progress  
operations using this service will wait for recovery to  
complete.
```

More Lustre kernel messages

- Client eviction/reconnection cycle
 - This was caused by MTU mismatch on IB fabric
 - Lessoned learned: ensure lower layers are healthy

```
Mar  3 11:14:09 atlas-oss4e1.ccs.ornl.gov kernel:  
[2428963.716071] Lustre: atlas2-OST0068: Client c618c441-fb87-  
27e9-21ae-6c345ddc40c8 (at 10.1.0.151@o2ib) reconnecting
```

```
Mar  3 11:14:09 atlas-oss4e1.ccs.ornl.gov kernel:  
[2428963.740253] Lustre: Skipped 6 previous similar messages
```

Conclusion

- OLCF monitoring best practices
- Tools used at each layer
 - DDN SFA check (block)
 - IB health check (network)
 - Custom scripts (Lustre)
- Applicability to common filesystem problems

Thank You

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Monitoring and visualization tools:

<https://github.com/bacaldwell>