HDD futures



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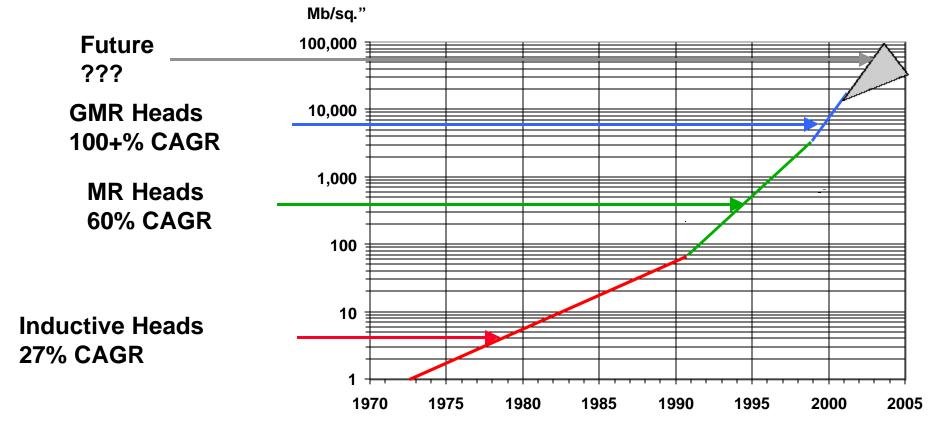
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Areal Density Growth: Accelerating!

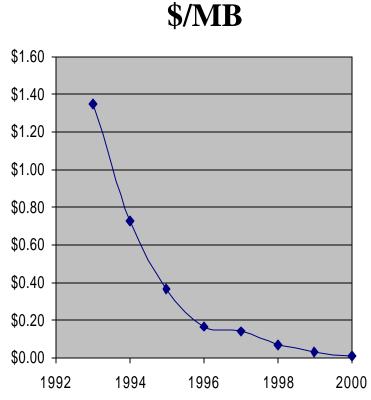
Hard Disc Drive Areal Density Trends

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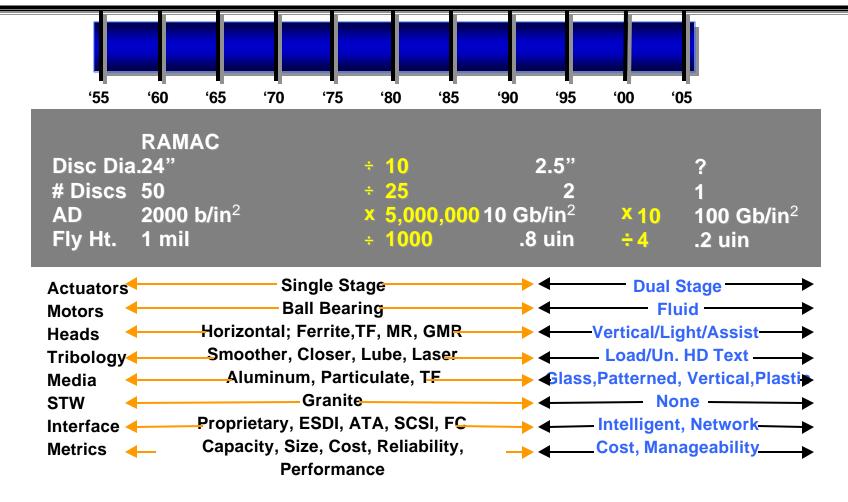


Where is this Technology Going:



Magazine Date	Retail 1 GB Disc Drive	<u>Disc</u>
Windows 7/93 p. 425:	\$ 1349.00	8
PC Computing 9/94 p.	. 318: \$ 729.00	5
April 1995 at Compute	er City: \$ 369.00	3
PC Magazine 11/96 p.	386 \$ 169.99	2
PC Computing 11/97	p. 366 \$ 139.00	1
Computer Shopper 6/0 * 8+GB	00 p. 310 \$ 90.00*	1

Disc Drives: Big Changes in the Future



Disc Storage: A New Appreciation

Running fast - hard for any technology to intercept Investment level needed is exorbitant Most candidates have faded rather than closed the gap

Storage now recognized as the most important IT resource More dedicated effort to manage More architectural focus SAN, NAS, mirroring

Uptime key

Backup/restore unworkable (if you have to restore)

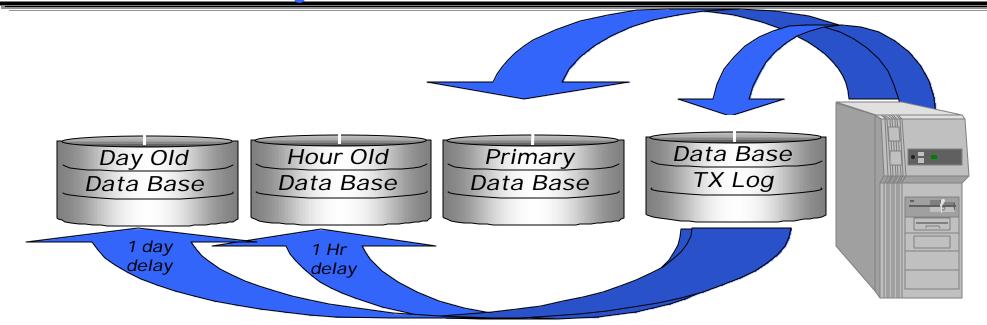
Disc becoming the new backup (tape still used for archive)

Disc recovery faster, Backup to disc more certain

Disc can be used to recover from human errors



Fast Recovery From Human errors



Barracuda 180 makes lots of copies easy!

- » Low DM/GB
- » Reliable, Fast
- » High storage density: 1.8 TB / 3u rack unit



Other things are changing

Interface set to be challenged on several fronts

SCSI - 320, 640 easier than thought, but SE will become a problem

Fibre Channel - 2 Gb deploying, 4 Gb underway

iSCSI - lot of interest as a SAN

InfiniBand - interest as a SAN

Serial ATA - Will replace parallel ATA

More intelligence in storage devices:

NAS - viewed as storage as much as a server

DAFS - NFS for SAN

OSD - (Object Based Storage) Let storage do more

