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Emerging Standards Impacting Storage System Architectures

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- Represent IEEE MSSTC
- Mass Storage Systems Technical Committee
- Sponsor IEEE Storage System Standards
- Committee Chair, Standards Board Member
- Past SSSWG Chair (1244.1-.5)
- MSSRM Contributor
 - Mass Storage Systems Reference Model

Links

- Mass Storage Systems Technical Committee
 - http://www.ieee-msstc.org
- Storage Systems Standards Committee
 - http://www.ieee-sssc.org
 - Storage Systems Standards Working Group
 - http://www.ssswg.org

IEEE – NASA Conferences, Workshops, Events http://storageconference.org

Session Overview

- (My) Perspective
 - Infiniband
 - DMTF CIM and WBEM
 - IEEE Storage System Standards
 - SNIA Storage Networking Architecture
 - AIIM Information Technology Standards
 - IETF IP Storage

XML

Perspective - Regret

- Skipped Major Sources of Standards
 - So Many Sources, So Little Time

Example: NCITS, T10

- National Committee for Information Technology Standards, http://www.ncits.org
- T10 Technical Committee (SCSI, etc) http://www.t10.org

Thorough Taxonomy Needed

Perspective – Nature of Standards

- Guidance That a Lot of People Follow, Regardless of Source, Authority, Process
 - Legal Implications of Formal Standards
 - But Practical Aspect: Must Have Following
 - So: All Sources of Standards Must Be Considered
- Evolving Statement of Understanding, Not Fixed in Stone
 - Periodic Review, Re-Affirmation, Withdrawal!
 - Subject to Modification At Any Time, Just Like Public Laws

Perspective – Why Standards?

- Why This Question? (Defense of Standards)
- Avoid Chaos
- Achieve Best Interoperability, Security
- Need Hand Hold Somewhere to Climb Mountain, Select Best Within Reach, Must Climb Mountain
- Market Gain, Not Loss for Value Added Products

Attitude Toward Storage

- Boring As …
 - 'Sunbathing Pet Rock'
 - Viscosity of Motor Oil

JBOD

- Storage Problem? Take A Couple of Disk Drives, and Call Me in the Morning.
- Now Less "Should We Buy" Than "What Should We Buy"
- Recognition that We Are Facing Tsunami (Watery Mountain) of Information

Nature of Storage

Information Access

- Accessibility is a sine qua non for information
- Secure, Distributed Access In Heterogeneous Environs Is Main Focus of Storage
- Storage Is Silly Otherwise (Use "rm")

Dilbert Cartoon – Record Retention Clerk "This Job Got So Much Easier When I Realized That Nobody Ever Asks for Anything Back"

How Much Information Is There?

Lots!

Less Important Than How Much There Will Be

All Past Information Valuable, But In Volume, Inconsequential

Current Effort To Estimate

www.sims.berkeley.edu/how-much-info/

How Much Exists in Our Awareness?

http://research.microsoft.com/~gray/papers/MSR_TR_00_101_Digital_Immortality.doc

More – How Much Information?

"As We May Think" by Vannevar Bush (1945)

http://www.theatlantic.com/unbound/flashbks/computer/bushf.htm

1995 Roy Williams of CalTech

- http://www.cacr.caltech.edu/~roy/dataquan/
- Recognized As Dated: 500 MB per PC

1997 Estimation

http://www.lesk.com/mlesk/ksg97/ksg.html

Information Tsunami

- 550 Billion Web Pages Today
- Billion-Transistor Processors by 2012 ?
- "10³ Bytes / FLOP"
- TF Machine Requires PB Storage?
- Intrusion-Detection (IDS)
 - Hacker/Cracker Brief Intrusion Causes 34 Hours of Detection/Analysis
- Puny Humans Read 100 KB/hour
 Back to Awareness, Accessibility

Must Collaborate

- Standards Developers Number Like Guitar Pickers in Nashville ... More!
- Overlapping Purposes, Sometimes Conflicting
- Burden of Going-It-Alone No Longer Tolerable
 - Fosters NIH Syndrome
 - Travel Time and Money Less Available
 - Diffusion of Human Inventiveness
 - Need Results Now for Tsunami Defense

Quote from HDS VP

One result of a lack of cooperation among vendors is that security is almost nonexistent in storage installations.

Hubert Yoshida, a vice president at Hitachi Data Systems Corp

http://www.computerworld.com/cwi/story/0,1199,NAV47_NLTpm_STO56997,00.html Jan 29, 2001

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Major Directions

Evolution Not Complete from "SAD" to "NAS"

- Further Abstraction of "Files" to "Storage Objects" (But Still Called "Files")
- Solutions for Transactions/Time Bottleneck
- Higher Throughput Devices and Systems
- Collaboration, Interoperability

"SAD" is Garth Gibson's "Server Attached Disk"

Presenters

Infiniband

Tom Ruwart, CTO for Ciprico, speaks about an evolving interconnection technology and the Infiniband Trade Association of 220 members

DMTF CIM and WBEM

Dr. Bruce Haddon, Senior Java Architect with Sun Microsystems Professional Services, speaks about the Distributed Management Task Force and its Common Information Model, Web-based Enterprise Management Schema

Note About CIM and WBEM

- CIM and WBEM are important to products of SUN, Microsoft, and Intel, and other companies.
- The connection between JIRO and WBEM has been mentioned. Microsoft's flavor of WBEM is called Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI), and one can find files on Windows systems.
- Intel's WMI Provider Implementation exposes instrumentation data and alerting events to the CIM Object Manager (CIMOM). This is hardware health monitoring, etc.
 - http://developer.intel.com/design/motherbd/cimfaq.htm
- DMTF Offers Great Online Tutorial, Glossary, Etc
 - http://www.dmtf.org/educ/tutorials/cim/

Presenters (Continued)

IEEE Storage System Standards

- Curtis Anderson, Storage Architect with Integratus and Chair of the IEEE Storage Systems Standards Working Group Presents Information on Recently-Approved Media Management System Standards and Current Projects of the IEEE
- SNIA Storage Networking Architecture IETF IP Storage
 - Dr. David Black, Senior Technologist at EMC, a member of the SNIA Technical Council and a co-chair of the IETF IP Storage Working Group, Makes Separate Presentations On These Areas

Presenters (cont'd)

AIIM Information Technology Standards

Betsy Fanning, Director of Standards for AIIM International, will speak about AIIM's storage related standards as well as document management standards

XML

- Drs Moore and Marciano will present.
- Reagan Moore is Associate Director for Data Intensive Computing at the San Diego Supercomputer Center and an Adjunct Professor in the UCSD CSE department.
- Richard Marciano is Staff Scientist, Data Intensive Computing Environments Group, SDSC, UC San Diego

Note About Presenters and Presentations

Each Presenter's Credentials Were Too Extensive to List Here

Each Presenter Represents Organizations With Memberships In the Hundreds

Greater Detail Will Be Given at the Tutorial and Placed Online Afterward at http://storageconference.org/2001