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- TAPE, HDD, NAND Flash are alive and evolving
- Post Consumer Nature of Storage Components The Storage Landscape
- The Storage Gap
- The "Data Driven" Tape Market
- Tape Future Technology



- Statements related to replacement of tape technology by competing storage components do a dis-service to the storage client base.
- Today's rates of improving storage technology performance is different from rates of improvement of 10 years ago. Future extrapolations of \$/GB, density, PB shipments are likely not reflective of 10 year historical rates.
- HDD areal density growth has slowed
 - Replacement strategy of HDDs on a 4 year cycle is favorable when areal density quadruples (40%/yr growth) and \$/GB drops by 75% (30%/yr decrease).
 - Replacement strategy of HDDs on a 4 year cycle is less favorable when areal density increases by 70% (15%/yr growth) and \$/GB drops slow
- PB shipment growth for storage components is not elastic
 - Replacing all of HDD PB with NAND Flash would require an additional \$240B from clients and an additional \$400B investment from NAND manufacturers
- Storage requirements dictate a spectrum of access times from 10⁶ seconds (archive) to 10⁻⁸ seconds (transactions/computations)
- Awareness of the market landscape is critical

\$/GB Reductions are Slowing



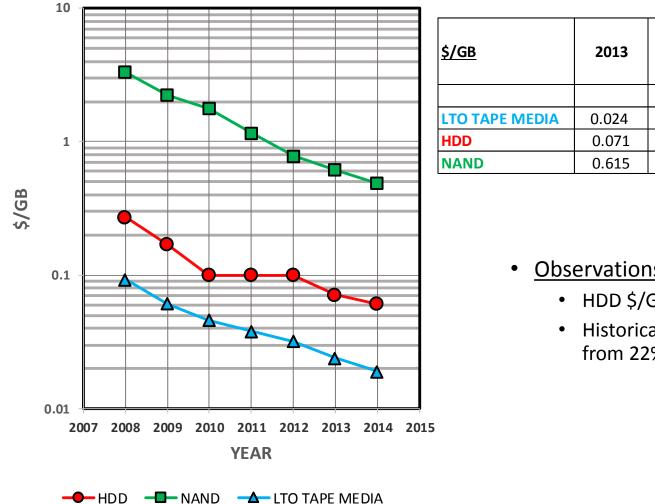
7 YEAR

ANNUAL

%Δ

-23.1%

-22.1%



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1 YEAR

%Δ

-20.0%

-14.1%

- **Observations**
 - HDD \$/GB reduction slows

2014

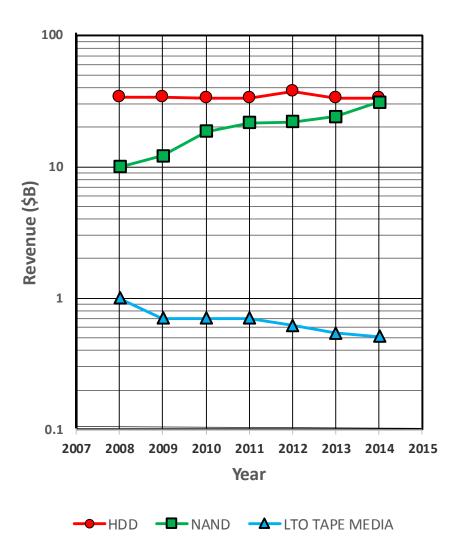
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• Historical \$/GB reductions range from 22% to 27% (NAND)



Component Revenue Driven by NAND Consumer Base

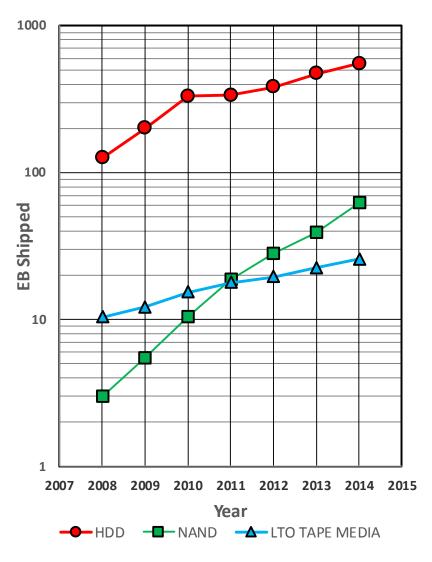


<u>Revenue (\$B)</u>	2013	2014	1 YEAR % Δ	7 YEAR ANNUAL % Δ	
LTO TAPE MEDIA	0.54	0.5	-7.4%	-10.9%	
HDD	33.4	33.4	0.0%	-0.3%	
NAND	24.0	32.2	34.2%	21.5%	
TOTAL REVENUE	57.94	66.1	14.1%	6.3%	

- Observations
 - HDD revenue constant
 - LTO Media revenue decreased but better than historical averages
 - Significant NAND revenue growth above historical averages
 - NAND revenue will likely overtake HDD revenue in 2015



Exabyte Shipments – 20% Annual Increases



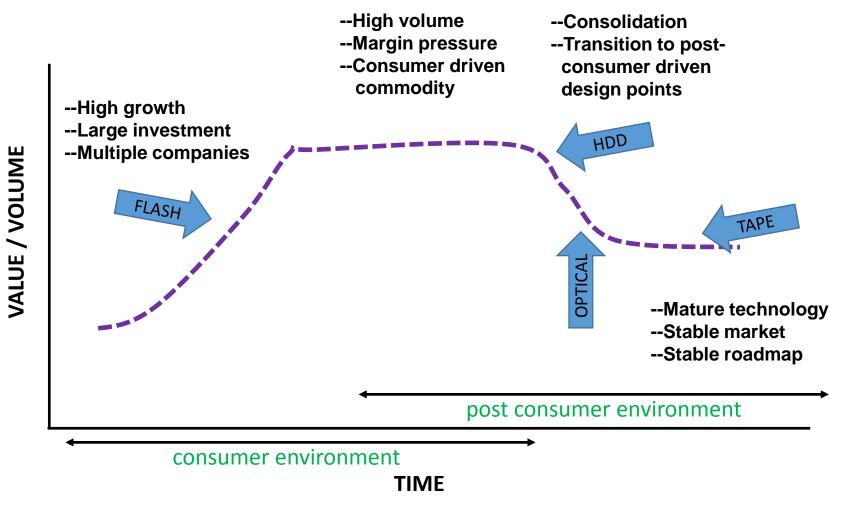
EB SHIPPED	2013	2014	1 YEAR % Δ	7 YEAR ANNUAL % Δ	
LTO TAPE MEDIA	22.5	26.2	16.4%	16.6%	
HDD	470	549	16.8%	28.0%	
NAND	39	62.5	60.3%	65.9%	
TOTAL EB SHIPPED	531.5	637.7	20.0%	29.0%	

- Observations
 - HDD EB shipment increase less than historical average
 - LTO Media EB shipment increase is stable at ~ 16%
 - Significant NAND EB shipment increase comparable to historical averages of 60% increases
 - NAND EB shipments exceed LTO EB shipments (consumer market, i.e. IPhone6)



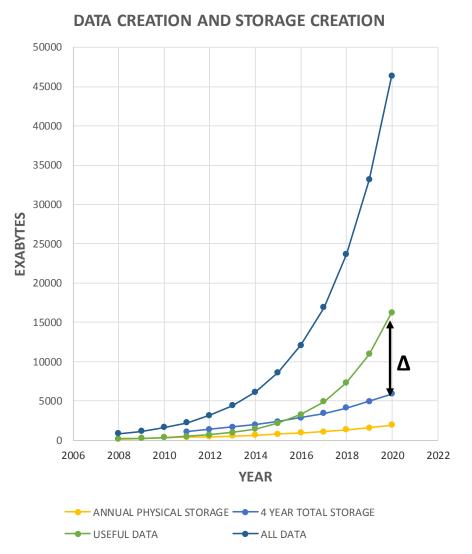
Consumer Dynamics and Revenue – Impact on Storage

Post Consumer Dynamics for TAPE





Manufactured Storage vs Data Creation – The Data Famine



- Observations
 - Total manufactured storage in 2014 increased by ~ 20%
 - IDC (2013) claims for information creation
 - 40% annual increase in information
 - Data created in 2013 -- 4400 EB
 - Data to be created in 2020 -- 44000 EB
 - Useful data in 2013 -- 980 EB (22%)
 - Useful data in 2020 16000 EB (33%)
 - Storage Landscape History
 - 20% annual increase in manufactured storage
 - Storage manufactured in 2013 530 EB
 - Total storage manufactured from 2010 to 2013 (4 years) – 1700 EB
 - Net result in 2020 Data Famine
 - Total storage manufactured from 2017 to 2020 (4 years) – 6000 EB
 - Useful data in 2020 16000 EB
 - 10000 EB shortfall



Tape and the Data Market (i.e. Cloud and Analytics)

- Cloud
 - Essential to sustain data storage demands
 - Essential for large data sets in analytics requirements
 - Competition in Cloud storage providers driving focus on cost and multi-technology storage management
 - \$/TB is essential in cost-sensitive Cloud solutions and to hold massive data for Analytics
 - Backup and replication
- LTO (client comments)
 - The non-proprietary format of LTO tape solutions enables ease of integration and long-term deployment, contributing to tape's case as a scalable, long-term solution
 - Tape is proving more reliable than disk, especially lower cost disk
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TAPE Confidence Reflected in the Published 10 Generations LTO Roadmap

						Future			
	LTO 3	LTO 4	LTO 5	LTO 6	LTO 7	LTO 8	LTO 9	LTO 10	
Year	2004	2007	2010	2012	2015				
Native Capacity (TB)	0.4	0.8	1.5	2.5	6.4*	12.8	25.0	48.0	
Native Data Rate (MB/s)	80	120	140	160	315*	472	708	1100	
Compression Ratio	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	
Compressed Cap (TB)	0.8	1.6	3.0	6.25	16.0	32.0	62.5	120.0	
Compressed Data Rate (MB/s)	160	240	280	400	788	1180	1770	2750	
*LTO7 TBD									

- Tape density growth is assured by the development of **evolutionary** technology
 - Improved track edge definition (TPI increases)
 - Improved "writeablity" of smaller size grains with high H_k (high moment heads)
 - Sensors to detect smaller bit cell widths
 - Media to support smaller bit cells



Tape Future -- Technology

- Technology to sustain density and capacity goals for LTO were described in the earlier "Technology Overview Session"
- Head technology and media technology exists to support the next generations of LTO, i.e. 6.4 TB, 12.8 TB and 25.0 TB cartridge capacities
- Enterprise capacities are shipping at 10 TB cartridge capacities
- Key technology points
 - No superparamagnetic limitations for near term tape cartridge capacities
 - No nano-technology limitations in processing transducers
 - Future TAPE transducers use existing HDD structures but at 10X 0t 30X larger length scales
- Bit cell size drives the tape technology

