

Predictions

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What did I way from the past (I think these were mine)



HIGH PERFORMANCE INNOVATION

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- InfiniBand and Fiber Channel will be dead (Henry was wrong here)
 - For InfiniBand there is a lack of RDMA (remote direct memory addressing) communications stack which is needed for latency
 - Intel has announced OmniPath with on chip communications to replace InfiniBand
 - Fibre channel slowly moving out of the market but surely not by the end of the year
- Ethernet will rule
 - Moving that way but not yet and big question with Intel

What happened from 2010 for 2015



- We will have phase change memory
 - Non-volitial storage announced from Intel/Micron not phase change but not sure what it is
- We will have very primitive quantum computing
 - We have DWave
- There will be a major loss of important digital data
 - Lots of them
 - Most recent big 1 documented was Google and Europe
 - http://www.datacenterknowledge.com/archives/2015/08/19/lightning-strikes-google-data-center-disrupts-cloud-services/

What happened from 2012 for 2015



- Security will be an on-going challenge
 - Do we have a security problem ☺
- Storage reliability will NOT increase with storage densities
 - Sort of, per device reliability has not increased but we have declustered RAID and easure coded storage now

Predictions for 2020



- More object storage sold than POSIX storage
 - Huge up tick this year
- Auto tiering will be part of object storage formats
 - Standards will come with objects that were elusive for POSIX
- The world will not have all storage replaced by flash
 - Disk drives will still be with us
- Dialable storage reliability with erasure codes will be available from all vendors
 - A few have it today