
Oracle ZFS Storage Appliances



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Oracle didn't the ODA childproof



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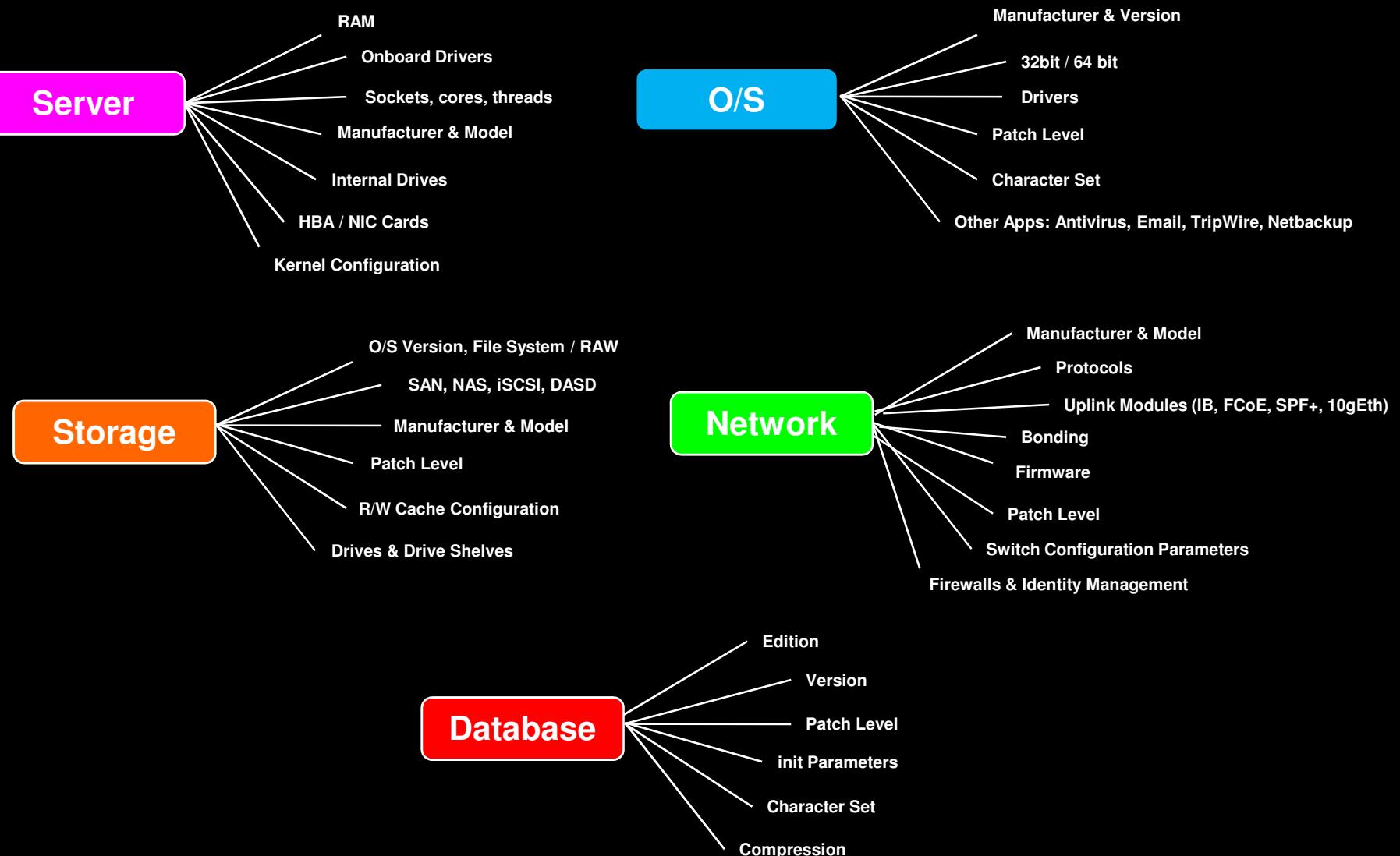
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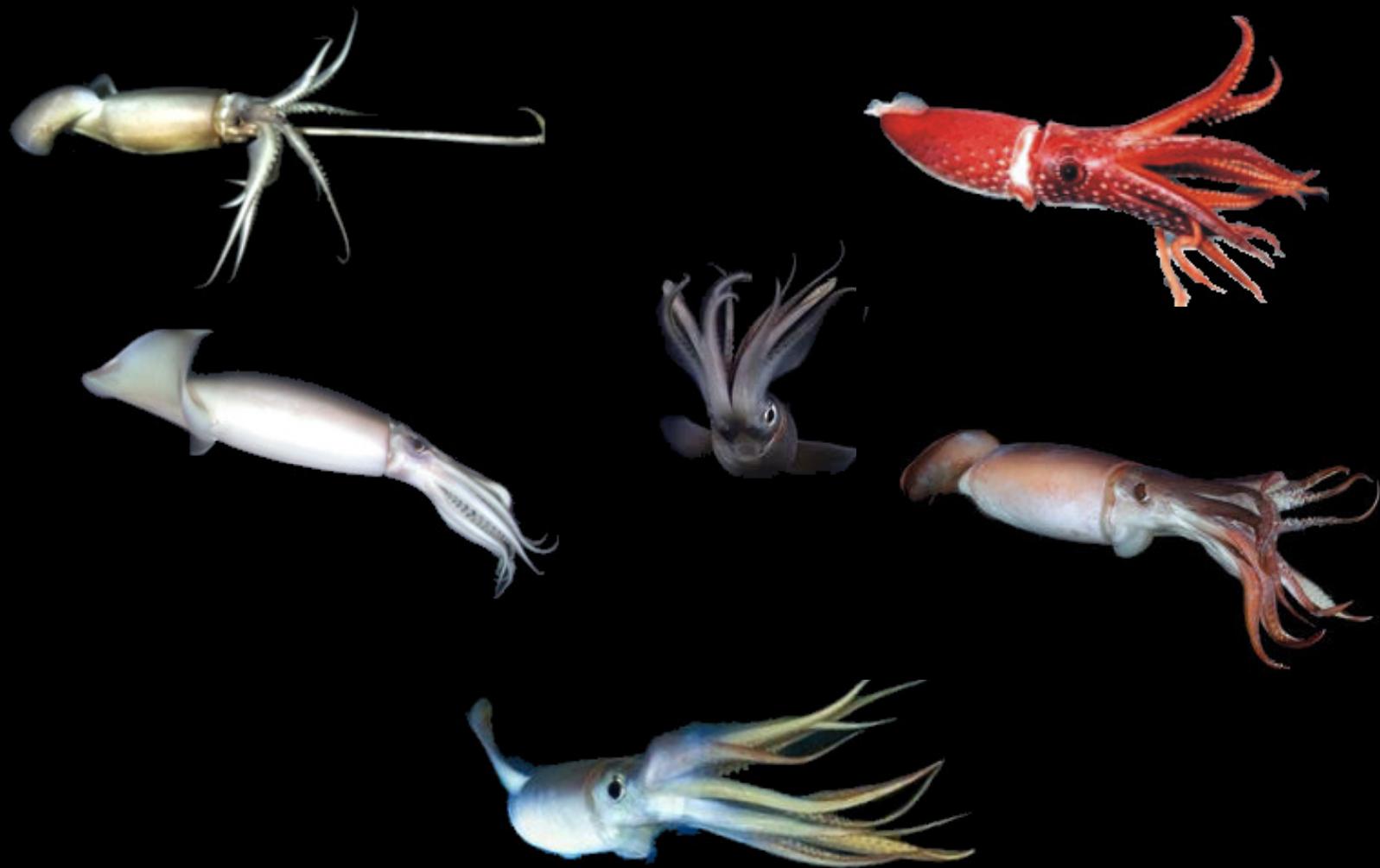
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Static Puzzle Pieces



Animated Puzzle Pieces



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It's hard to fall in love with a barrel of squid too



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So let's talk about storage

- We MAY want to preserve the 4TB ASM disk for data
- We may want more storage for
 - FRA, Flashback DB files, RMAN files ...
 - Clone
 - Data Masking
 - Real Application Testing
 - Staging
 - Logs
 - And so on

ZFS

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Choices

- ASM
 - Raw devices
- Clustered Storage
 - Which one? OCFS2, VxFS, ...
- Non-Clustered Storage
 - Non-blocking visibility on both nodes
 - dNFS, CIFS ...

ASM?

- Excellent decision for database storage
- Perhaps not optimal as a file system
 - ACFS?
- Requires raw disk to be presented to ODA
- Traditional HBA discussion

Clustered File System?

- Several CFS available for Linux
 - Need expertise
 - Wire it yourself
 - Tech concerns
 - File sizes
 - File counts
- Still traditional HBA discussion

Non-clustered File System?

- Local File System
 - May be suitable for some applications,
 - But we have two separate hosts in ODA
 - Standard Linux-oriented
 - Still traditional HBA discussion
- [d]NFS
 - Vendor: NetApp, Oracle ZFS Appliance
 - OpenFiler?

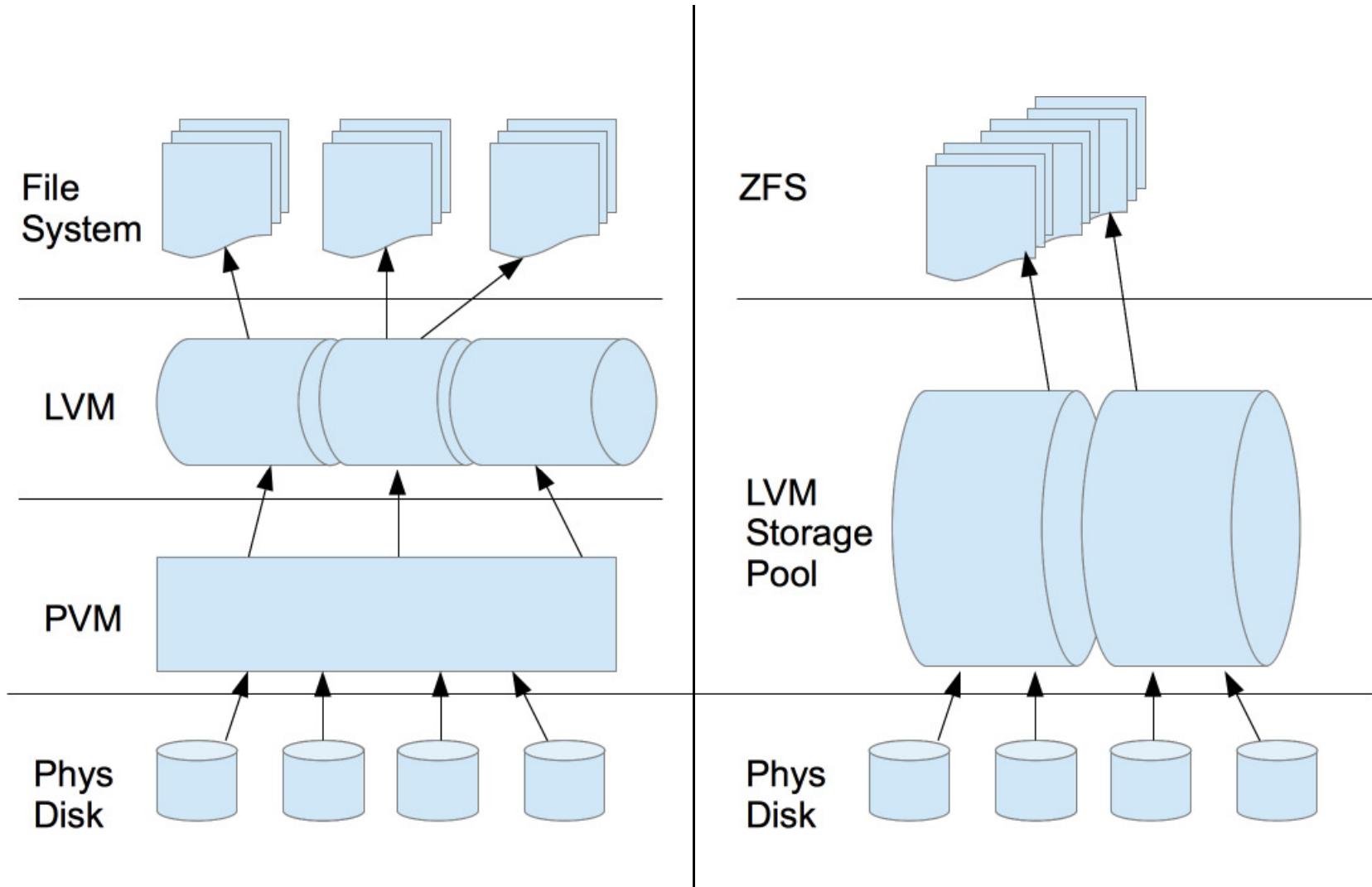
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 - Auto-healing from ZFS mirror
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Traditional File System stack vs ZFS



Quick Notes

- RAID
 - ZFS cannot fully protect the user's data when using a hardware RAID controller, as it is not able to perform the automatic self-healing unless it controls the redundancy of the disks and data.
 - Instead, ZFS provides its own RAID counterparts within the Storage Pool
- ZFS provides a hot-spare storage pool manager and a 128-bit, Copy on Write File System
- Capacity
 - Single file: 16 exabytes
 - Files in a pool: 264
 - Disks in a pool: 264
 - Pools in a system: 264

Where do you want to invest your time and treasure?

- Reinventing the wheel?
- Designing physical architecture?
- Applying one-off patches?
- Becoming Linux security experts?
- Writing shell scripts?

or would you rather be ...

- Managing your applications, users, and data?
- Optimizing your applications to maximize customer satisfaction?

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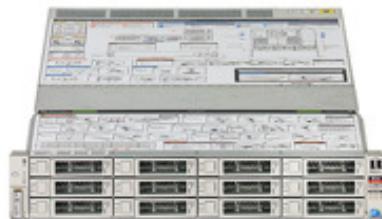
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ZFS Storage Appliance

- ZFS file system with advanced error detection and self-healing capabilities
- Integrated with Oracle Engineered Systems
- Both ZFS Deduplication and Compression or Hybrid Columnar Compression
- Hybrid Storage Pools
- Simultaneous multiprotocol support across multiple network interconnects, including GbE, 10 GbE, fibre channel and InfiniBand
- Integrated with OEM Grid Control
- Web-based storage management
- Integrated real-time storage analytics

What is a ZFS Appliance?

- Enterprise class Network Attached Storage (NAS)
- Choose the size that meets your needs
- Hybrid Columnar Compression (w/o an Exadata)
- Hybrid storage pools for DRAM and Flash caches
- DTrace storage analytics
- Use for
 - Backup and Restore
 - Cloning
 - Data Masking



ZFS Configurations

Sun ZFS Storage Appliance Configurations						
	Key Requirement	Maximum Storage Capacity	Space (Rack Units)	Write Optimized Flash	Read Optimized Flash	Cluster Option
Sun ZFS Storage 7120	Low-priced entry-level system with all software features	177 TB	2U/controller, 4U/disk shelf	73 GB	N	N
Sun ZFS Storage 7320	Entry-level cluster option for high availability	432 TB	1U/controller, 4U/disk shelf	Up to 1.2 TB	Up to 2 TB per controller	Y
Sun ZFS Storage 7420	Best price/performance	1.73 PB	3U/controller, 4U/disk shelf	Up to 7.0 TB	Up to 2 TB per controller	Y

ZFS Specifications

Sun ZFS Storage Appliance Specifications			
	Sun ZFS Storage 7120	Sun ZFS Storage 7320	Sun ZFS Storage 7420
Architecture			
Processor	1x 4-core 2.4 GHz Intel® Xeon® Processor	2x 4-core 2.4 GHz Intel® Xeon® Processor, per controller	4x 8-core 2.0 GHz or 10-core 2.4GHz Intel® Xeon® Processors per controller
Main memory	48 GB	Up to 144 GB per controller	Up to 1 TB per controller
Base Configurations			
Configuration options	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3.3 TB to 177 TB using either high-speed (15,000 RPM) or high-capacity (7,200 RPM) SAS-2 disks• Controller contains 11 HDDs and one SSD cache, supports up to two additional disk shelves with 24 disks each (300 GB, 600 GB, 2 TB, or 3 TB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 TB to 432 TB using either high-speed (15,000 RPM) or high-capacity (7,200 RPM) SAS-2 disks• Supports up to six disk shelves with 20 or 24 disks each (300 GB, 600 GB, 2 TB, or 3 TB) and up to four optional write-optimized SSDs per shelf	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 TB to 1.73 PB using either high-speed (15,000 RPM) or high-capacity (7,200 RPM) SAS-2 disks• Supports up to 24 disk shelves with 20 or 24 disks each (300 GB, 600 GB, 2 TB, or 3 TB) and up to four optional write-optimized SSDs per shelf

ZFS In The Data Center



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ODA Front



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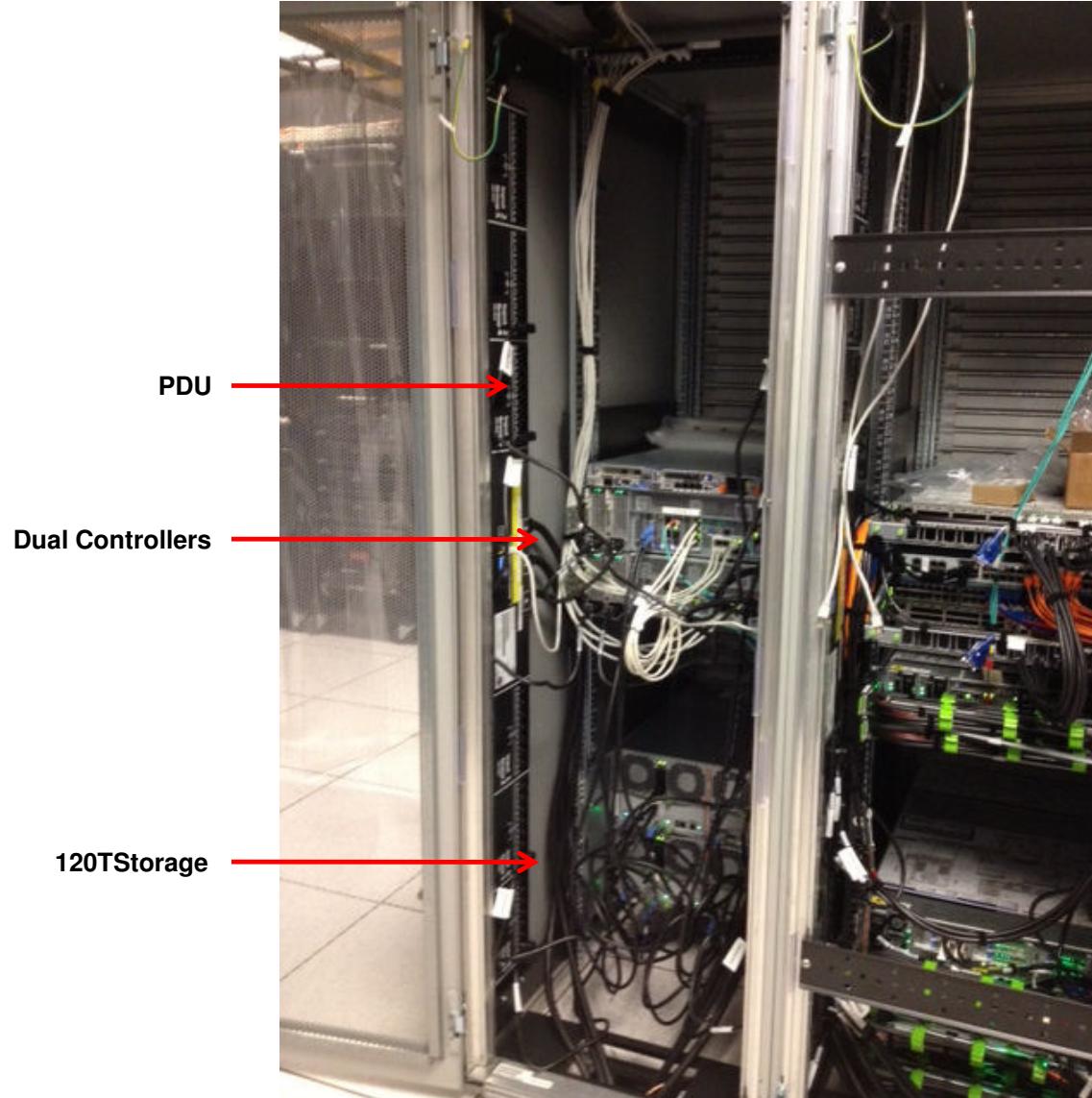


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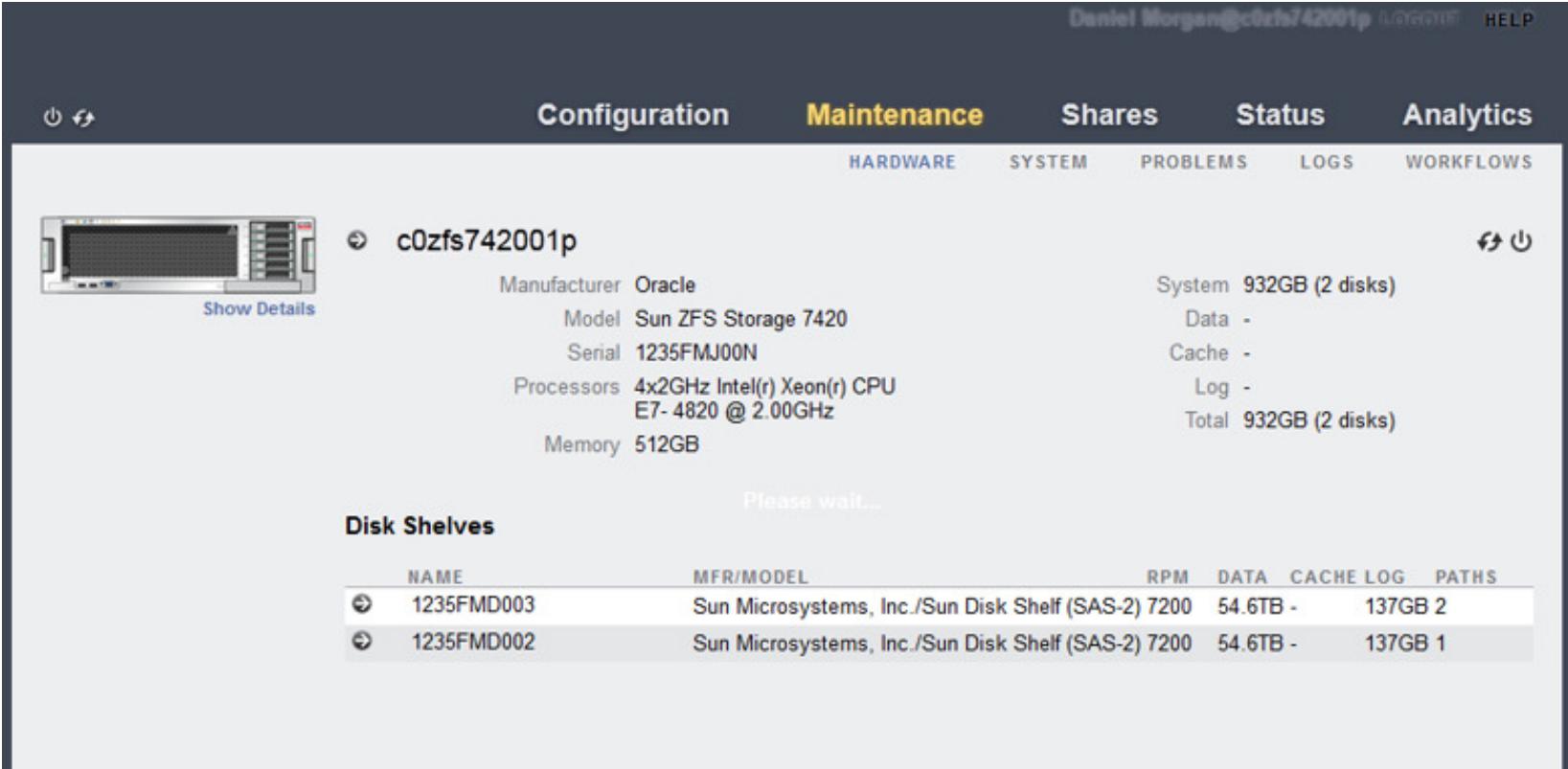
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ZFS Internals



ZFS BUI



The screenshot shows the Oracle Sun ZFS Storage Appliance BUI. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs: Configuration (selected), Maintenance, Shares, Status, and Analytics. Under Configuration, sub-tabs include HARDWARE, SYSTEM, PROBLEMS, LOGS, and WORKFLOWS. The main content area displays the system details for 'c0zfs742001p'. It shows the following hardware specifications:

Manufacturer	Oracle	System	932GB (2 disks)
Model	Sun ZFS Storage 7420	Data	-
Serial	1235FMJ00N	Cache	-
Processors	4x2GHz Intel(r) Xeon(r) CPU E7- 4820 @ 2.00GHz	Log	-
Memory	512GB	Total	932GB (2 disks)

Below this, a 'Disk Shelves' section is shown with the message 'Please wait...'. It lists two disk shelves:

NAME	MFR/MODEL	RPM	DATA	CACHE	LOG	PATHS
1235FMD003	Sun Microsystems, Inc./Sun Disk Shelf (SAS-2) 7200	54.6TB	-	137GB	2	
1235FMD002	Sun Microsystems, Inc./Sun Disk Shelf (SAS-2) 7200	54.6TB	-	137GB	1	

ZFS Config Services

The screenshot shows the ZFS Config Services interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs: Configuration (highlighted in yellow), Maintenance, Shares, Status, and Analytics. Below the navigation bar, there are sub-tabs: SERVICES, STORAGE, NETWORK, SAN, CLUSTER, USERS, PREFERENCES, and ALERTS. The SERVICES sub-tab is selected. The main content area is titled "Services". It is divided into two sections: "Data Services" and "Directory Services".

Data Services

Service	Status	Last Update	Actions
NFS	Online	2012-9-24 15:29:31	
iSCSI	Online	2012-9-20 17:49:51	
SMB	Online	2012-9-24 14:23:46	
FTP	Disabled	2012-9-20 17:49:03	
HTTP	Disabled	2012-9-20 17:49:03	
NDMP	Online	2012-9-20 17:52:33	
Remote Replication	Online	2012-9-20 17:49:50	
Shadow Migration	Online	2012-9-20 17:49:50	
SFTP	Online	2012-9-21 18:50:18	
SRP	Disabled	2012-9-20 17:49:03	
TFTP	Disabled	2012-9-20 17:49:54	
Virus Scan	Disabled	2012-9-20 17:49:03	

Directory Services

Service	Status	Last Update	Actions
NIS	Disabled	2012-9-20 17:52:31	
LDAP	Disabled	2012-9-20 17:52:31	
Active Directory	Disabled	2012-9-20 17:49:03	
Identity Mapping	Online	2012-9-20 17:52:33	

ZFS BUI

Daniel Morgan@c0zfs742001p LOGOUT HELP

		Configuration	Maintenance	Shares	Status	Analytics	
SERVICES	STORAGE	NETWORK	SAN	CLUSTER	USERS	PREFERENCES	ALERTS

About Storage Configuration

Storage is configured in pools that are characterized by their underlying data redundancy, and provide space that is shared across all filesystems and LUNs.

During the configuration process, you will select which devices to allocate to a storage pool and the redundancy profile most appropriate to your workload, balancing performance, availability, and capacity.

Importing storage will search all devices attached to the system for existing pool configurations, from which you can select one as the system pool. This option is used to migrate pools between systems, and in some cases can recover pools that were destroyed inadvertently.

Available Pools

HOST : POOL	DATA PROFILE	LOG PROFILE	STATUS
c0zfs742001p:GENERIC	Single parity, narrow stripes	-	Online
c0zfs742001p:PARTRECOV	Single parity, narrow stripes	-	Online
c0zfs742001p:CLONEDB	Mirrored	-	Online
c0zfs742001p:RMANBACK	Mirrored	Mirrored log	Online

c0zfs742001p:GENERIC

[ADD](#) [UNCONFIG](#) [Allocation](#)

Please wait...

Data Profile Single parity, narrow stripes
Log Profile -
Pool Status Online
Data Errors No known persistent errors
Scrub Status Scrub completed: 0 errors
2012-9-24 15:29:46 (0h0m)

[SCRUB](#)

Device Status

0 errors

Data	7.88T
Parity	2.91T
Reserved	128G

No device faults have been detected in the storage pool.

Data + Parity	4 disks
Spare	0 disks
Log	0 disks
Cache	0 disks

ZFS BUI

Configuration Maintenance Shares Status Analytics

HARDWARE SYSTEM PROBLEMS LOGS WORKFLOWS

Alerts 119 Total | 100-119

TIME	EVENT ID	DESCRIPTION	TYPE
2012-9-24 15:29:46	63714813-695f-c125-f88e-e434ebcd27d	The system has finished scrubbing the ZFS pool 'GENERIC'.	Minor Alert
2012-9-24 15:29:46	a6838d57-8ee4-43d2-e42f-c695e62ccb0e	The system has begun scrubbing the ZFS pool 'GENERIC'.	Minor Alert
2012-9-24 15:14:54	4ada53dd-7124-cfc6-dbd1-c279f717d381	The system has finished scrubbing the ZFS pool 'RMANBACK'.	Minor Alert
2012-9-24 15:14:53	8e22aee9-a6b4-4c79-cbf9-f61bb1b5fe8d	The system has begun scrubbing the ZFS pool 'RMANBACK'.	Minor Alert
2012-9-24 14:23:44	2d5106de-ee58-c299-c247-8882df53ff7	Network connectivity via datalink ixgbe0 has been established.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:44	0a2e7265-49bf-cb50-e280-d1812ff449d1	Full IP connectivity via interface ixgbe0 has been established.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:44	cd81ccf9-8ee1-eb79-f46e-9e86513c2ad3	Network connectivity via port ixgbe0 has been established.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:30	985892eb-6a10-653d-c73a-d901f91f5443	Network connectivity via datalink ixgbe0 has been lost.	Major alert
2012-9-24 14:23:30	0d81abd7-c431-e3b4-835f-cfcc01170dac	IP connectivity via interface ixgbe0 has been lost due to link-based failure.	Major alert
2012-9-24 14:23:30	b979b7b9-9129-e2d5-ae44-b5bc6bc3c1ae	Network connectivity via port ixgbe0 has been lost.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:16	78d4a9b8-5664-44a9-af07-d8eab505b33a	Full IP connectivity via interface ixgbe2 has been established.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:15	d8a0d18b-346c-665e-c9af-acef6acdd23c	Network connectivity via datalink ixgbe2 has been established.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:15	b55569fb-330b-496a-a619-cd30001473de	Network connectivity via port ixgbe2 has been established.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:10	9022ff22-7be1-e65c-f929-da96173fa21f	IP connectivity via interface ixgbe2 has been lost due to link-based failure.	Major alert
2012-9-24 14:23:10	d70af351-ca2a-cb6d-8a54-b6e9f1366c8b	Network connectivity via datalink ixgbe2 has been lost.	Major alert
2012-9-24 14:23:10	01c8f48b-06a9-c95c-d560-e0e98a944f39	Full IP connectivity via interface ixgbe2 has been established.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:10	2246e904-22ad-4a40-ca2c-d5f5b2d357ec	Network connectivity via port ixgbe2 has been lost.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:10	ddcc68fb-eaef-4b7f-83a4-9ca3e75d0543	Network connectivity via datalink ixgbe2 has been established.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:10	de514e43-5839-6b56-92a3-e31a44caeb06	Network connectivity via port ixgbe2 has been established.	Minor alert
2012-9-24 14:23:10	68f550f6-d4f2-c76e-ea2b-babf8d03c455	IP connectivity via interface ixgbe2 has been lost due to link-based failure.	Major alert

ZFS BUI

Configuration Maintenance Shares Status Analytics

Services Storage Network SAN Cluster Users Preferences Alerts

Network

To configure networking, build Datalinks on Devices, and Interfaces on Datalinks. Click on a pencil icon to edit object properties. Select an object to view its relationship to other objects. Drag objects to extend Aggregations or IP Multipathing Groups.

Devices	12 total
BUILT-IN	
igb0	1Gb (full)
igb1	1Gb (full)
igb2	link down
igb3	link down
PCIe 3	
ixgbe0	10Gb (full)
ixgbe1	link down
PCIe 6	
ixgbe2	10Gb (full)
ixgbe3	link down
PCIe 7	
ibp2	port down
ibp3	port down
PCIe 2	
ibp0	port down
ibp1	port down

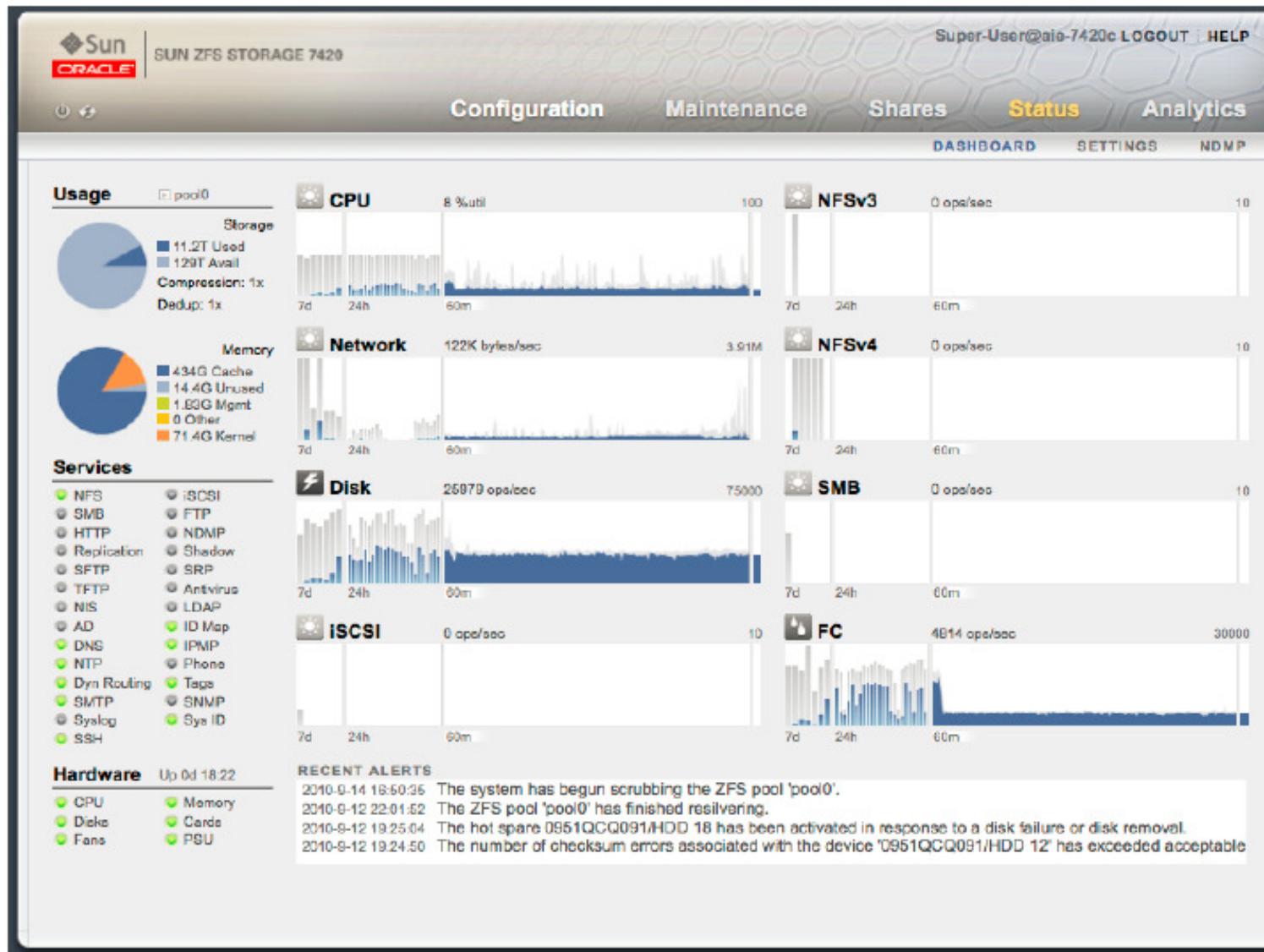
Datalinks	4 total
igb0 via igb0	
igb1 via igb1	
ixgbe0 Custom MTU(9000), via ixgbe0	
ixgbe2 Custom MTU(9000), via ixgbe2	

Configuration Addresses Routing

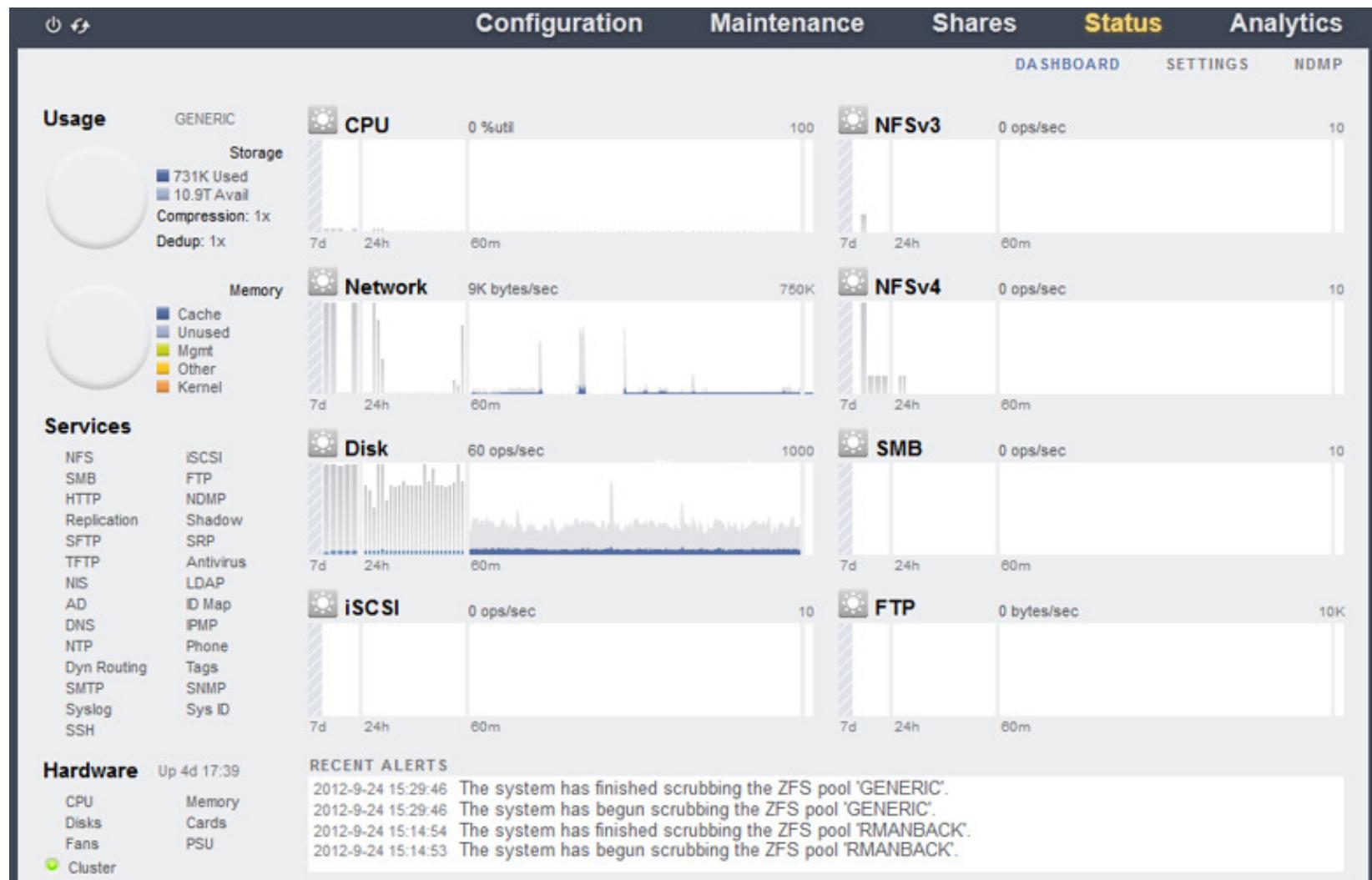
Interfaces	4 total
head1 net0 IPv4 static, 192.168.40.248/22, via igb0	
head2 net1 IPv4 static, 192.168.40.249/22, via igb1	
private10gb IPv4 static, 10.221.112.49/24, via ixgbe0	
private10gb2 IPv4 static, 10.221.112.50/24, via ixgbe2	

Please wait...

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How Does This Change Our Jobs?

Job Title	Loses	Gains
Storage Admins	Time wasted monitoring competing loads on the storage appliance balancing competing need to read/write cache, and allocation of disk.	More efficient storage environment as it is all file system.
Network Admins	Pain and suffering	Time to devote to troubleshooting, security monitoring, and other value-added tasks.
System Admins	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Gives up appliance root passwordGives up 2:00am support calls	
Database Admins		Patching operating system, firmware, and database as a single unit with patches previously tested for compatibility

Your ODA is not a general purpose computer, will not be hosting files, applications, middleware, etc.

How Does This Change Our Jobs?

- Storage Admin
 - No longer required
- Network Admin
 - Only required for public network interface
- System Admin
 - Advise on configuration
 - Install backup agent (ie Networker)
 - Install security software (ie TripWire)
- DBA
 - Just like with ASM ... assumes broader responsibility for deployment and patching
 - Gives up large amounts of unproductive time debugging configurations

Questions

**ERROR at line 1:
ORA-00028: your session has been killed**



Thank you