

## Breakout 4A

Management, reliability, managed performance, and availability at scale (file system management, SAN management, device management, autonomics, RAID, etc.

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Session Writeup:

Each Breakout session will provide

- 1) Current high level topics of File Systems and I/O Research in this area
- 2) Areas that need to have more research focus
- 3) Areas that have or will have too much research focus
- 4) Some rough consensus ranking of areas that need more focus,  
less focus,  
and overall recommendations including  
Short term research needs  
Long term research needs

There will be a presentation of this material for each session done by the session leader and a write up for inclusion in the workshop documentation.

## Current high level topics of File Systems and I/O Research in this area

- *Autonomics*
- *Scalable rebuilding techniques*
- *Multiple concurrent RAIDs*
- *Multi-pathing*
- *Server fail over techniques*

# Areas that need to have more research focus (designate short and long term)

1. Research into Autonomics (*adaptive/self healing/predictive*)
2. How do you operate where component failure is a normal case (*scale*)
  1. Degrades with scale
3. Performance/determinism during recovery at scale (*raid, network, etc.*)
4. Performance robustness (*dealing well with variance in workload, configuration, etc.*)
5. Multi-path networking at scale for I/O footprints, determinism capabilities.
6. Server fail over techniques
7. Client process migration
8. Large scale storage system configuration and tuning
9. Identify/research interfaces to collect information from layers and to use that info to effect the system (*possibly related to modeling – could be input into modeling (1a), measure effect of the effect*)
10. Reasonable ways to ensure integrity at scale
11. Multidimensional virtualization areas management of all this
12. Scaling of management/meta management, management of the management tools
13. Collect and analyze real data on failure, non-determinism, bad performance, recovery times, tuning stuff

Areas that have or will have enough or too much research focus (designate short and long term)

- None

# Some rough consensus ranking of areas that need more focus, less focus and overall recommendations including Short /Long term research needs

1. How do you operate where component failure is a normal case (scale)
  1. Total 57 Government 14 med-long term
2. Research into Autonomics (adaptive/self healing/predictive)
  1. Total 58 Government 6 med-long term
3. Large scale storage system configuration and tuning
  1. Total 34 Government 8 med-long term
4. Performance robustness (dealing well with variance in workload, configuration, etc.)
  1. Total 32 Government 3 med-long term
5. Collect and analyze real data on failure, non-determinism, bad performance, recovery times, tuning stuff
  1. Total 28 Government 3 short-med term
6. Identify/research interfaces to collect information from layers and to use that info to effect the system (possibly related to modeling – could be input into modeling (1a), measure effect of the effect
  1. Total 24 Government 0 <-disagreement med-long term
  2. Interesting
  3. Could be combined with 2 and related to 3 and 4