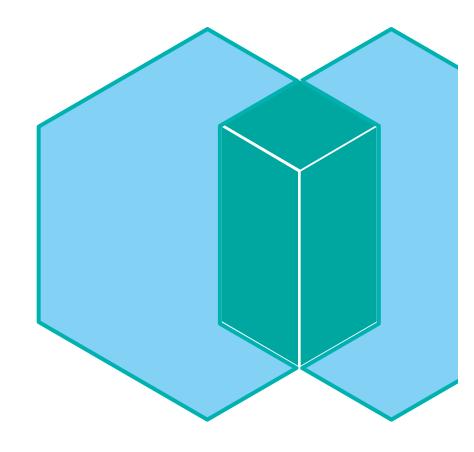




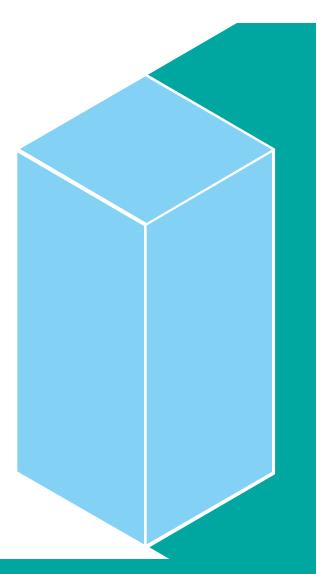
# Next generation Ethernet connect to All FLASH: iSER and NVMeF

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# **Agenda**

- Flash growth and dimensions of change
- Shared SAN storage requirements
- What is iSER?
- What is NVMeF?
- All FLASH on SAN roadmap
- What are we doing at IBM?



## Flash Growth and Dimensions of Change...

Workloads

**Storage SW Architecture** 

**Upper Level Protocols (ULP)** 

Layer2 Interconnect (L2)

Storage Media

**Storage HW Architecture** 

Traditional Enterprise Workloads → New age Flash workloads (Tier0: SAP HANA, RT Analytics, Tier1: OLTP, VDI, Social Media Apps)

Kernel Mode → User Mode (SPDK)

FCP → iSER & NVMeoF (Eth & FC)

FC 8G/16G  $\rightarrow$  Eth 10G  $\rightarrow$  FC32G  $\rightarrow$  Eth RDMA 25/40/50/100G

 $HDD \rightarrow SAS SSDs \rightarrow PCle NVMe \rightarrow PM (3DXP)$ 

AF Server → AF-HyperConverged → AF-Arrays → AF Disaggregated Storage

✓ Flash is driving change

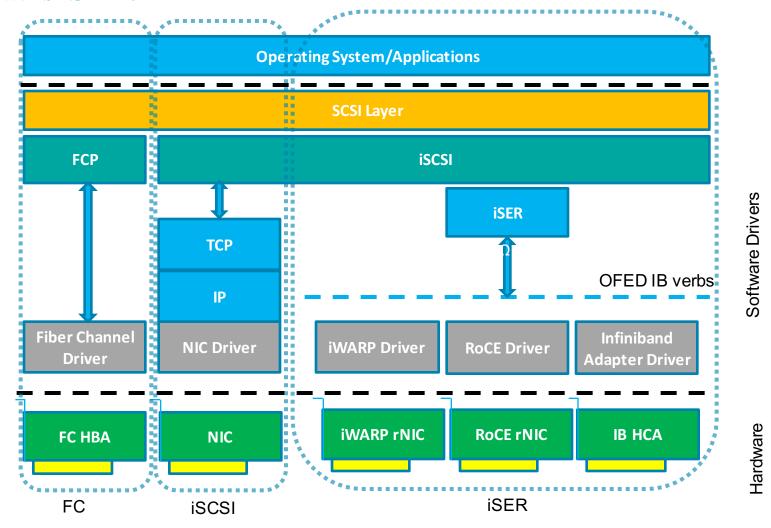
✓ Change is multidimensional

✓ Change would not be all at once. One dimension at a time

# **Shared SAN storage requirements**

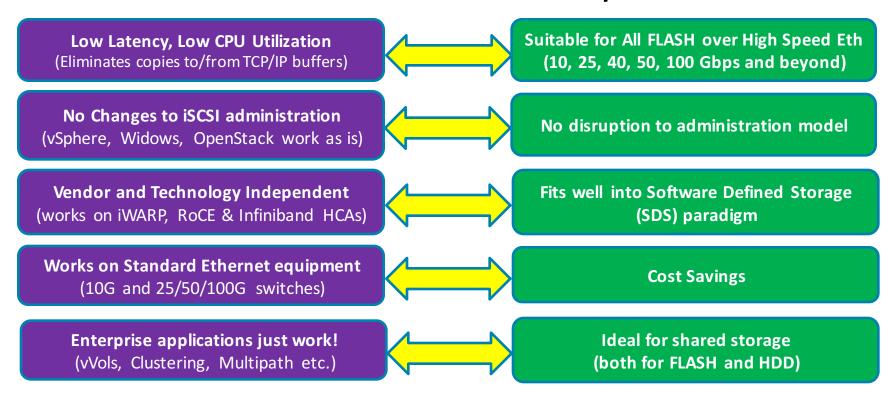
- Multipath (for high availability)
- Reservation (SCSI Persistent Group Reservation)
- vVols (offload Copy Services to Storage Controller)
- Data movement/migration without involving host CPU (XCOPY, ODX)
- Unmap: Optimize space deallocation on Thin Provisioned storage
- > Atomic Compare And Write (CAW): Alternative to SCSI3 Reservations
- Error Handling: Abort Task, Abort Task Set, LUN Reset, Target Reset etc.

## What is iSER?



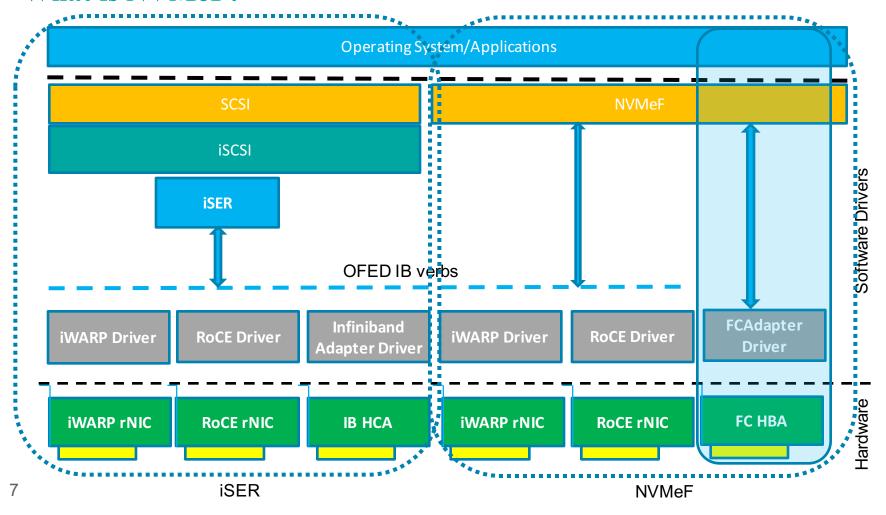
#### iSER: Current state of affairs

#### iSER is iSCSI with RDMA Data path

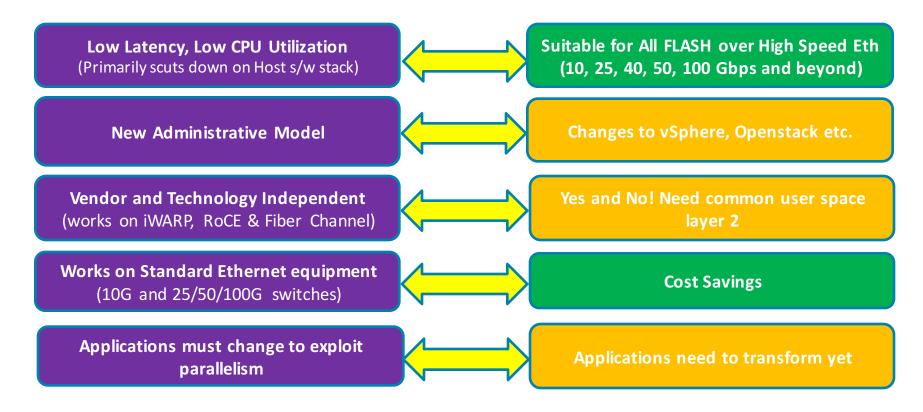


iSER is ready for Shared All FLASH SAN storage today!

## What is NVMeF?

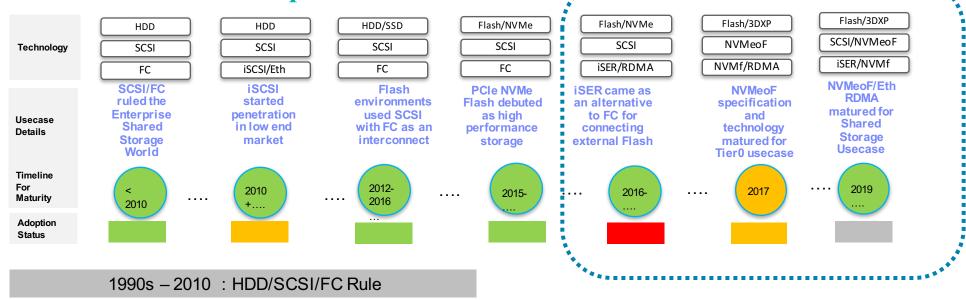


#### **NVMeF:** Current state of affairs



NVMeF is still evolving to adapt to Shared Storage Applications!

## All Flash SAN roadmap!



2007- 2016 SSD/Flash media evolution, maturity

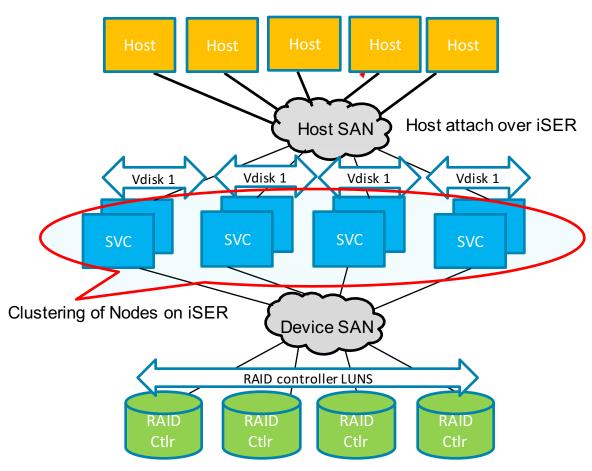
2015 - ... NVM evolution

2016 to 2020 - iSER/SCSI

2019/2022 -iSER/NVMeF

# What are we doing at IBM?

- Host Attach over iSER Linux, VMWare
- ➤ Clustering over iSER



## iSER vs Fibre channel

1/0	iSER (40Gb)	Fibre Channel (16Gb)
Read 4KiB	50 (us)	80 (us)
Write 4KiB	139 (us)	195 (us)
Read 64KiB	95 (us)	196 (us)
Write 64KiB	209 (us)	337 (us)

iSER: Fiber Channel benefits minus the additional costs



Thank You!

