Experiences with INAM on SDSC Systems





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Overview

- OSU InfiniBand Network Analysis and Monitoring (INAM) tool provides an open-source option to monitor IB networking
- On Comet, CW3E workloads can involve both IO intensive and communication intensive workloads. Sometimes this leads to performance issues. The goal is to use both historical and live data to troubleshoot such issues.
- Monitoring of network fabric health, utilization with notification thresholds set for errors and utilization.
- Enable Lustre traffic monitoring to get a handle on the IO aspect of workloads
- Use MPI information from jobs in combination with Lustre info to evaluate impact on network



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Comet Supercomputer

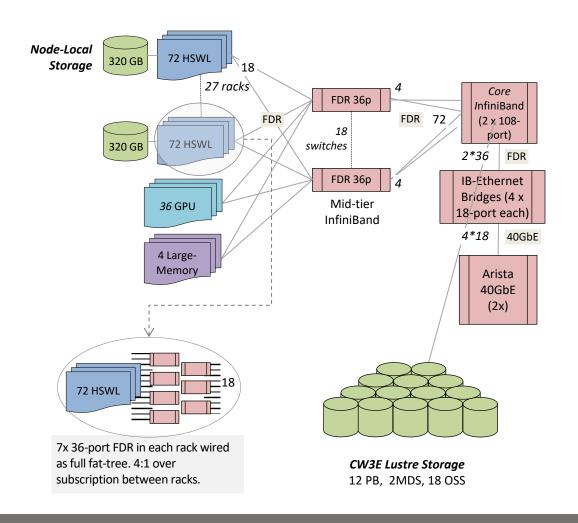
- Center For Western Weather and Water Extremes (CW3E)
 has made exclusive use of Comet starting July 2021 after it
 was retired from NSF XSEDE/ACCESS service
- Comet is being used for West-WRF ensemble runs during wet-seasons for near real-time forecasts. In addition, it used by CW3E researchers for several research projects.
- Managed by the San Diego Supercomputer Center (SDSC)
- Represents over 1 billion core hours (SUs) of computing over the period of 2.5 years from July 2021 through December 2023

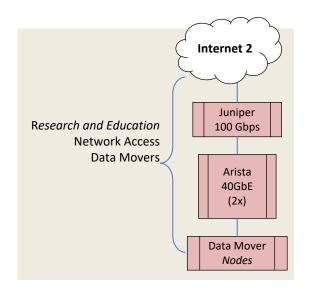


Highlights: ~440 M CPU hours / year, ~1.2 M GPU hours / year, >12 PB of storage

Comet Network Architecture

InfiniBand compute, Ethernet Storage





Additional Support Components

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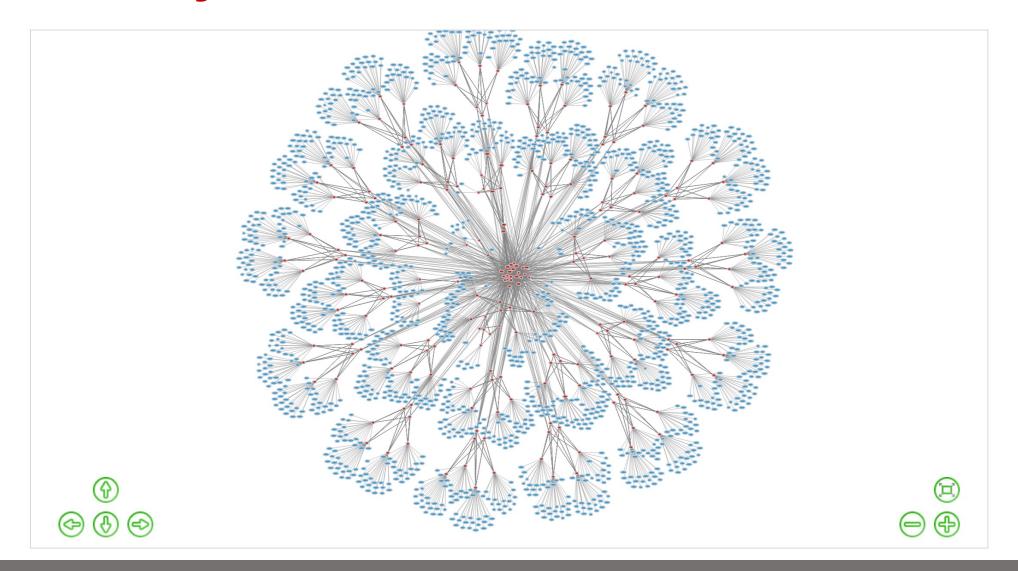


INAM Experience on Comet

- OSU INAM group helped build a custom INAM RPM for Comet OS and OFED stack.
- There was an issue parsing the switch map file. Worked ok after we removed all of the blank lines in our map file. Suggestion to fix as the map file can be parsed as is by other tools.
- At present the install is setup for internal use. Will need user/auth setup additions to enable end user access.
- PhantomJS took some time to build up cached info initially, but web service has been good since.
- We will be installing INAM for Expanse as well. Plan to evaluate use of ClickHouse DB backend.

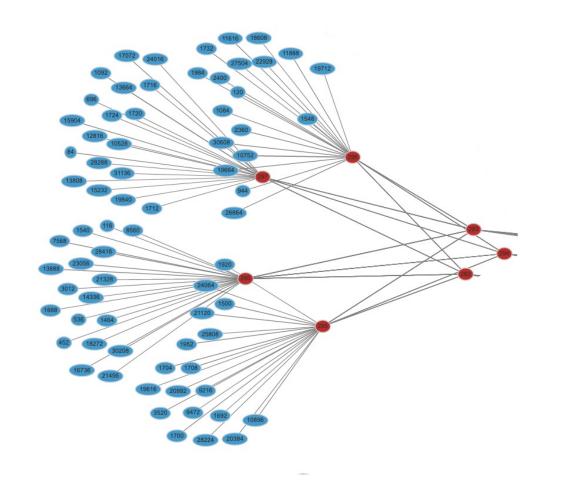


Full System Network View from INAM



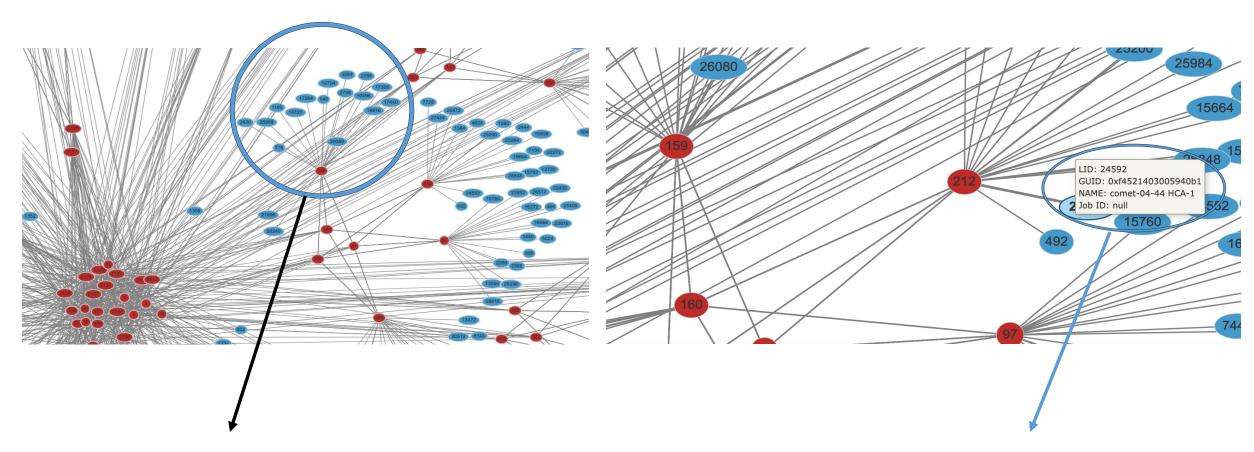


Rack Level Network View from INAM



- 18 nodes per switch
- 4 switches at first level that feed into 3 switches in the next tier

Network Views from INAM

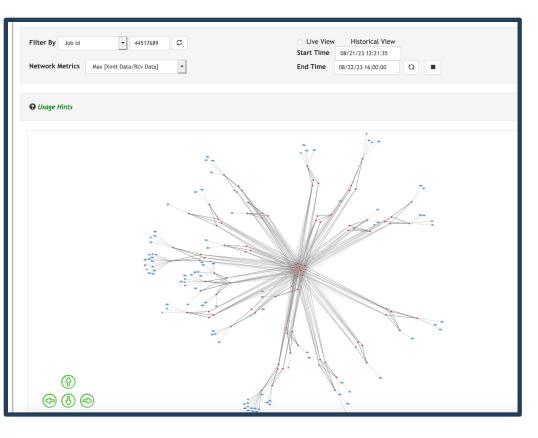


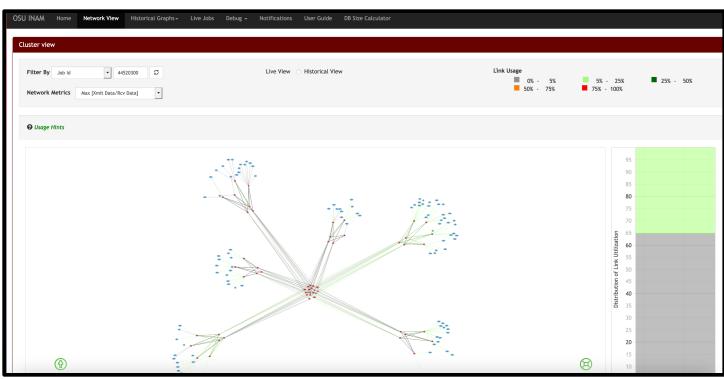
Single Switch with 18 nodes

Node LID, GUID, Name info

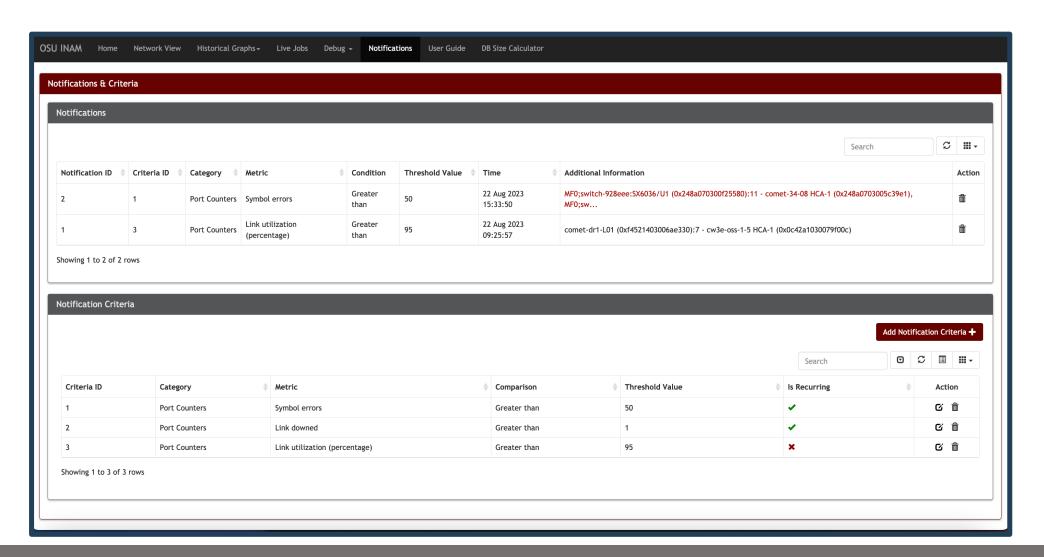


Job level view from INAM

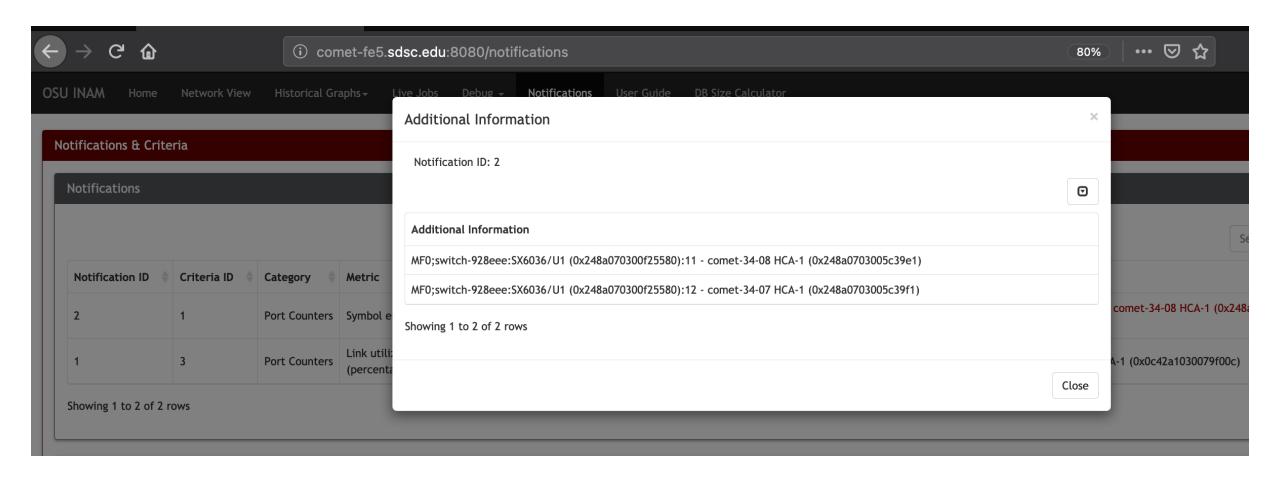




Notifications from INAM



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Notifications can identify issues

In Port Counters, linkusage exceeded threshold value - 95.0.

Link information Connections from mid-tier to IB-R24-L3-01 (0xf452140300f635a0):36 - comet-dr1-L04 (0xf4521403006ae2d0):2 director switch comet-dr1-L04 (0xf4521403006ae2d0):23 - comet-dr1-S01 (0xe41d2d0300002500):23 MF0;comet-dr1:SX6506/L06/U1 (0xf4521403008b7120):16 - cw3e-oss-3-5 HCA-1 (0x0c42a10300825a84) MF0;comet-dr1:SX6506/L06/U1 (0xf4521403008b7120):17 - cw3e-oss-3-3 HCA-1 (0x0c42a1030079c610) comet-dr1-L01 (0xf4521403006ae330):17 - cw3e-oss-2-1 HCA-1 (0x0c42a10300825ad4) comet-dr1-L02 (0xf4521403006ae090):13 - cw3e-oss-2-5 HCA-1 (0x0c42a10300825a64) comet-dr1-L01 (0xf4521403006ae330):11 - cw3e-oss-1-3 HCA-1 (0x0c42a10300825ac8) comet-dr1-L02 (0xf4521403006ae090):7 - cw3e-oss-2-2 HCA-1 (0x0c42a10300825a60) Connections from leaf to comet-dr1-L01 (0xf4521403006ae330):1 - cw3e-oss-1-1 HCA-1 (0x0c42a10300825a94) IB-R09-L3-02 (0xf452140300f74d50):35 - comet-dr1-L04 (0xf4521403006ae2d0):3 spine in director switch comet-dr1-S02 (0xe41d2d0300002520):2 - comet-dr1-L01 (0xf4521403006ae330):26 comet-dr1-L04 (0xf4521403006ae2d0):28 - comet-dr1-S02 (0xe41d2d0300002520):22 comet-dr1-L02 (0xf4521403006ae090):9 - cw3e-oss-2-3 HCA-1 (0x0c42a103006b1810) comet-dr1-L01 (0xf4521403006ae330):13 - cw3e-oss-1-4 HCA-1 (0x0c42a10300825a74) Connections from director comet-dr1-L01 (0xf4521403006ae330):9 - cw3e-oss-1-2 HCA-1 (0x0c42a10300825a4c) switch to Lustre OSSs comet-dr1-L03 (0xf4521403006ae390):23 - comet-dr1-S01 (0xe41d2d0300002500):17 MF0;comet-dr1:SX6506/L06/U1 (0xf4521403008b7120):13 - cw3e-oss-3-6 HCA-1 (0x0c42a1030079f000) MF0;comet-dr1:SX6506/L06/U1 (0xf4521403008b7120):14 - cw3e-oss-3-4 HCA-1 (0x0c42a103006b1804)

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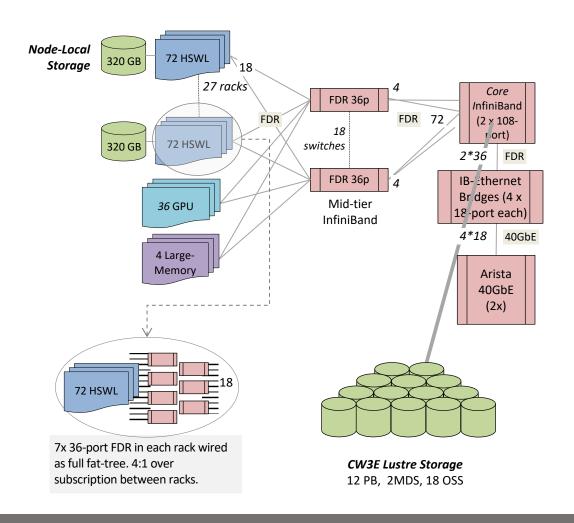
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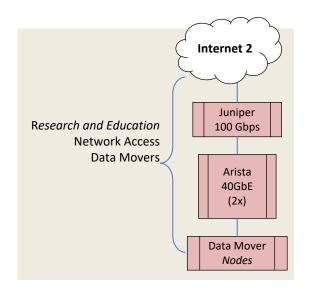
- These notifications were received when the intensive near real time (NRT) forecast simulations were being run.
- The I/O patterns and load were saturating leaf to spine links in the director switch and also some of the director switch to OSS links were saturating.
- This was impacting I/O performance for the NRT runs and in some cases that lead to missed targets (time bound).
- Based on information from the INAM notifications and network monitoring data, decision was made to move the OSS links into the mid-tier switches.
- This removes the leaf to spine bottlenecks and also balanced out the traffic on the OSS links.



Comet Network Architecture (original)

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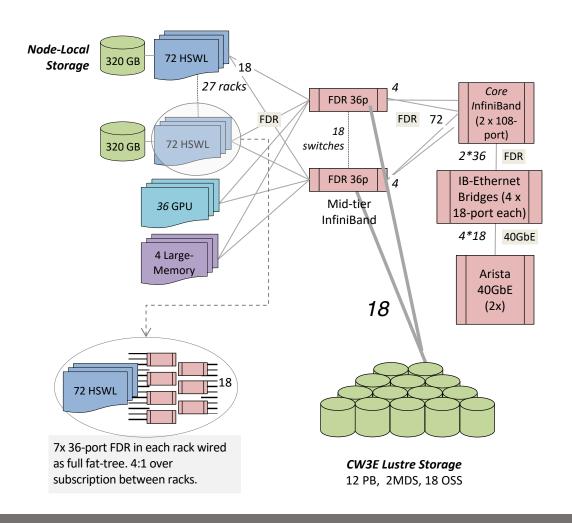


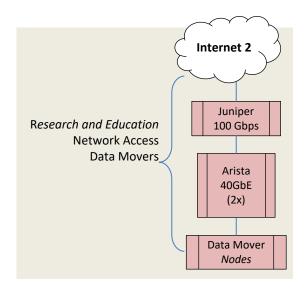
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Notifications after recabling

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Link information
IB-R16-L1-02 (0xf4521403008fcbf0):2 - IB-R16-L2-05 (0xf452140300918b40):8
IB-R16-L1-02 (0xf4521403008fcbf0):36 - comet-16-37 HCA-1 (0xf4521403005bff01)
IB-R20-L1-02 (0xf452140300969400):2 - IB-R20-L2-05 (0xf452140300969100):8
IB-R28-L1-02 (0xf4521403006db860):7 - IB-R28-L2-06 (0xf4521403008dce90):7
IB-R28-L1-04 (0xf4521403008dcf10):15 - IB-R28-L2-07 (0xf4521403008dca90):21
IB-R11-L1-02 (0xf45214030075bfe0):26 - comet-11-47 HCA-1 (0xf4521403005c0c01)
IB-R28-L1-02 (0xf4521403006db860):4 - IB-R28-L2-05 (0xf4521403008d7980):10
B-R16-L1-02 (0xf4521403008fcbf0):13 - IB-R16-L2-07 (0xf4521403009010f0):7
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IB-R28-L1-04 (0xf4521403008dcf10):26 - comet-28-11 HCA-1 (0xf4521403005936f1)
IB-R08-L2-06 (0xf452140300968400):34 - IB-R24-L3-07 (0xf452140300f67570):10
IB-R19-L1-02 (0xf452140300953000):9 - IB-R19-L2-06 (0xf452140300952e00):9
IB-R19-L1-02 (0xf452140300953000):1 - IB-R19-L2-05 (0xf4521403009528a0):7
IB-R07-L1-01 (0xf452140300f631a0):6 - IB-R07-L2-05 (0xf452140300f65ef0):6
IB-R23-L1-03 (0xf4521403006f1f00):31 - comet-23-24 HCA-1 (0xf452140300596971)
IB-R19-L1-02 (0xf452140300953000):22 - comet-19-51 HCA-1 (0xf452140300592531)
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IB-R12-L1-01 (0xf45214030075c0e0):18 - IB-R12-L2-07 (0xf45214030075c960):6
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Connections within rack level switches

Connections from nodes to in rack switches

Connections from mid-tier to director switch

The OSS links and director switch leaf/spine links no longer show up in the saturation lists



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Future Work: INAM on Expanse

- Expanse features a similar architecture to Comet with 3:1 oversubscription of links between racks.
- Single switch at rack level (unlike Comet which had 7).
- Will be using the ClickHouse database server and the C++ client. Expected to perform better than the setup on Comet.
- Expanse system is managed using Bright Cluster Manager (BCM). Look into install of INAM using BCM or develop a compatible process.



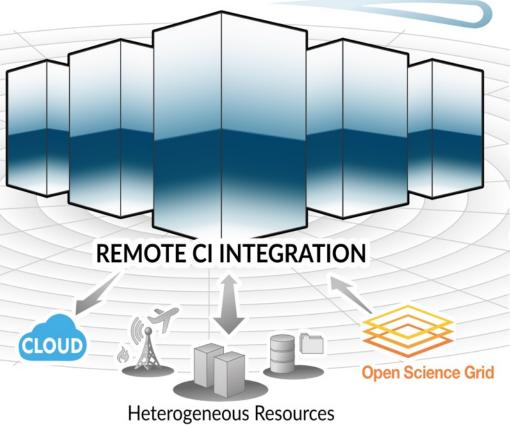
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HPC RESOURCE

13 Scalable Compute Units 728 Standard Compute Nodes 52 GPU Nodes: 208 GPUs 4 Large Memory Nodes

DATA CENTRIC ARCHITECTURE

12PB Perf. Storage: 140GB/s, 200k IOPS
Fast I/O Node-Local NVMe Storage
7PB Ceph Object Storage
High-Performance R&E Networking



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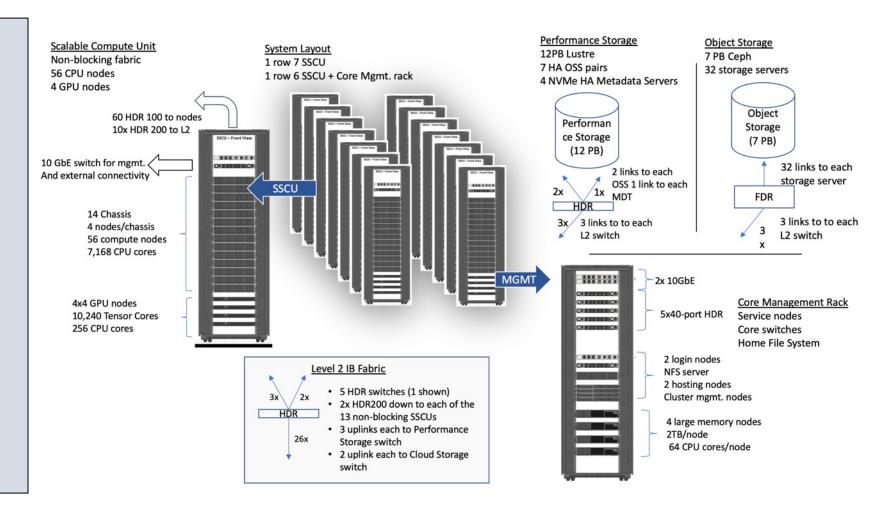
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Expanse is a heterogeneous architecture designed for high performance, reliability, flexibility, and productivity

System Summary

- 14 SDSC Scalable Compute Units (SSCU)
- 784 x 2s Standard Compute Nodes
- 100,352 Compute Cores
- 200 TB DDR4 Memory
- 56x 4-way GPU Nodes w/NVLINK
- 224 V100s
- 4x 2TB Large Memory Nodes
- HDR 100 non-blocking Fabric
- 12 PB Lustre High Performance Storage
- 7 PB Ceph Object Storage
- 1.2 PB on-node NVMe
- Dell EMC PowerEdge
- Direct Liquid Cooled



The SSCU is Designed for the Long Tail Job Mix, Maximum Performance, Efficient Systems Support, and Efficient Power and Cooling

Standard Compute Nodes

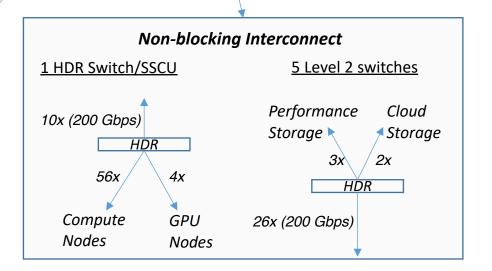
- 2x AMD EPYC 7742 @2.25 GHz
- 128 Zen2 CPU cores
- PCIe Gen4
- 256 GB DDR4
- 1 TB NVME

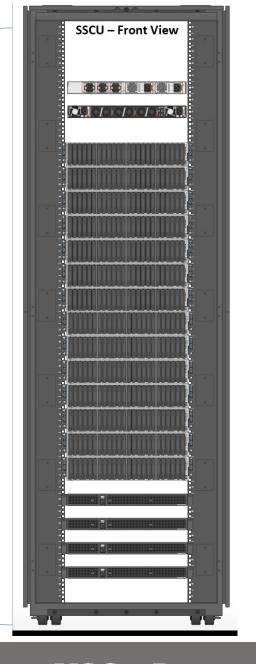
GPU Nodes

- 4x NVIDIA V100/follow-on
- 10,240 Tensor Cores
- 32 GB GDDR
- 1.6 TB NVMe
- Intel CPUs

SSCU Components

- 56x CPU nodes
- 7,168 Compute Cores
- 4x GPU nodes
- 1x HDR Switch
- 1x 10GbE Switch
- HDR 100 non-blocking fabric
- Wide rack for serviceability
- Direct Liquid Cooling to CPU nodes





Summary

- INAM installed and in production use on Comet.
- Used for network health/performance monitoring and to identify sources of congestion.
- Successfully identified hotspots and bottlenecks that were causing Lustre filesystem performance issues under heavy NRT simulation loads.
- Recabled and confirmed performance improved significantly and I/O bottlenecks mitigated.
- Expanse install in planning phase. Will be using the ClickHouse database server and the C++ client.

