

# **From Pockets to Packets**

# **Electronic Transfer for Data Protection**

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# Background



- Within the IT center data traffic has moved from a directlyconnected model to a local networked model
- Distributed networks support transaction-level communication and limited amounts of data transfer and synchronization
- Available external bandwidth is typically less than 1% of available internal bandwidth
- Both technical (latency and bandwidth) and economic considerations limit the convergence of local and distributed network capabilities
- but adoption of IP networking promises tighter integration between local and distributed networks
- > ... and bandwidth costs are declining faster than storage costs

### **Data Moves to the Network**



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## **External Network Communication Costs**



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## **Annual Networking Costs**

#### **\$K per GByte/hour**



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### **Data Protection**



- Business Continuance requires electronic transfer of data at bandwidths and latencies equivalent to storage networks
- Disaster Recovery (DR) requires transferring very large amounts of data (typically Terabytes) over great distances (Docket No. R-1128: >300 mi)

#### Traditional DR requirements have been met by physically transporting data on removable media

>High density tape cartridges

Effective FedEx data rate: 250Mb/sec (112 GB/Hr)

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	Business Continuity	Business Recovery	Business Restoration
System	Dedicated Redundant Configuration	Shared Resources	Spare Resources <i>or</i> Rapid Reconfiguration
Information	Synchronous Mirroring	Asynchronous Mirroring or Replication	Point-in-Time Copy
Communication	Internal Network Bandwidth	External Network Bandwidth	External Network Bandwidth
Personnel	2x Staff	1.5x Staff & Crosstraining	1x Staff & Crosstraining

## **Data Protection Market Segmentation**





#### **Availability**



- New emphasis on data protection will require more extensive use of external data communications
  - > Synchronous mirroring for Business Continuity
  - > Asynchronous mirroring for Business Recovery
  - Electronic Vaulting for Business Restoration
- New technologies within the data center will enhance the integration with external communications
  - > Network storage
  - > IP SANs
  - Disk-based backup

# SANs



Multiple approaches to integrating SCSI data blocks over IP networks

- FCIP Tunnel Fibre Channel over IP networks to interconnect FC SAN islands
- iFCP Support FC-4 over TCP/IP networks from FC gateway to FC gateway
- iSCSI Encapsulate SCSI commands into TCP and transport them over IP networks

Protocol	Devices	Transport	Network
FC	FC	FC	FC
FCIP	FC	FC	IP
iFCP	FC	ТСР	IP
iSCSI	iSCSI	ТСР	IP

# Conclusions



- Effective IT operations will require tighter integration of local and distributed data networks
- Electronic data transfer can replace physical transport of media for at least some data protection functions
- Data storage and data communication are becoming very tightly interrelated
  - Costs for both approaching \$1/GB
- Data protection represents a significant market opportunity for data communications: 10x to 100x more data than transaction activity