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Current and Emerging Storage Technologies iCAS2013

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Program Agenda

- Data Challenges
- Data Storage technology trends
- Disk technology trends
- Tape technology trends



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Data Growth and Access Requirements

The nature of storage and data management has to change

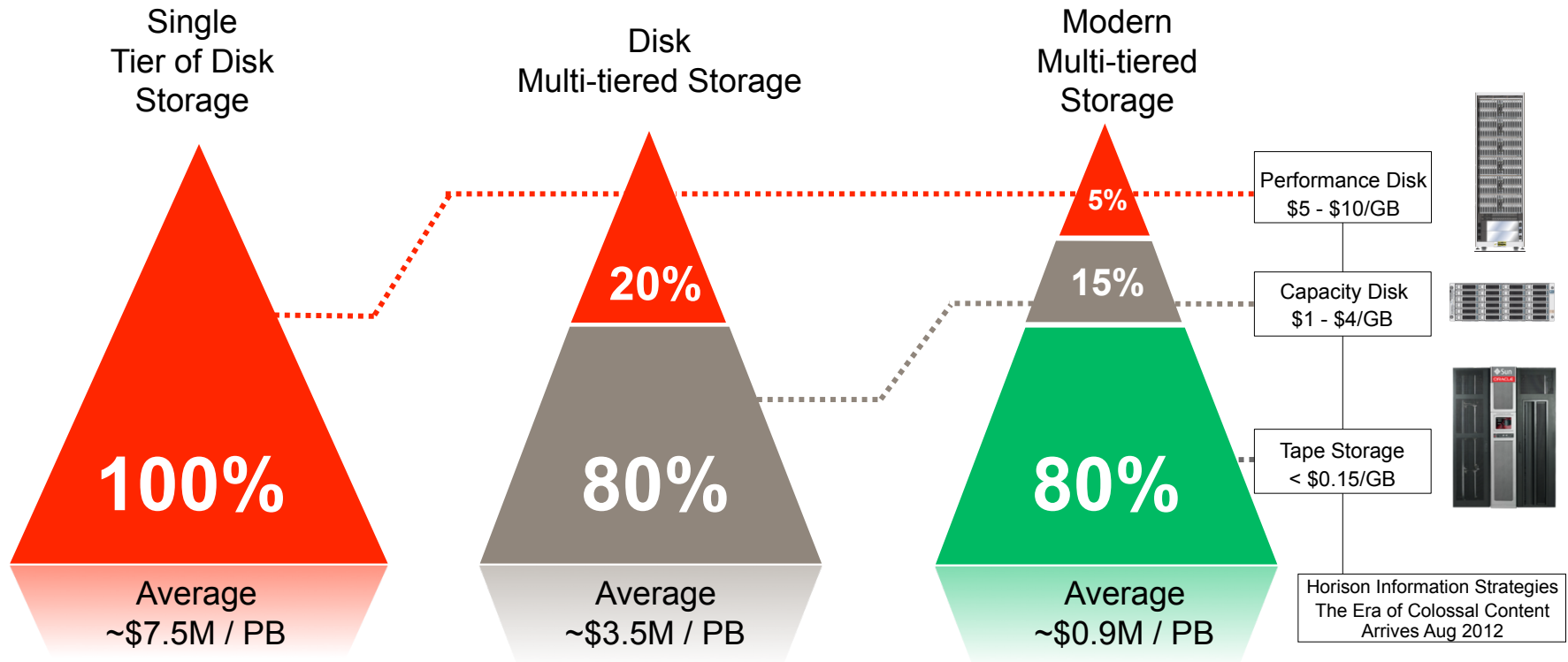
- **300x** Growth from 2005 to 2020
- **80%** of data is never used after 90 days.



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Economics of Tiered Storage

Tape is the Foundation: Most of the Data Stored at the Lowest Cost



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Archive Technology Cost Analysis

NEW Study Concludes Disk Costs 26 Times More Than Tape Solution

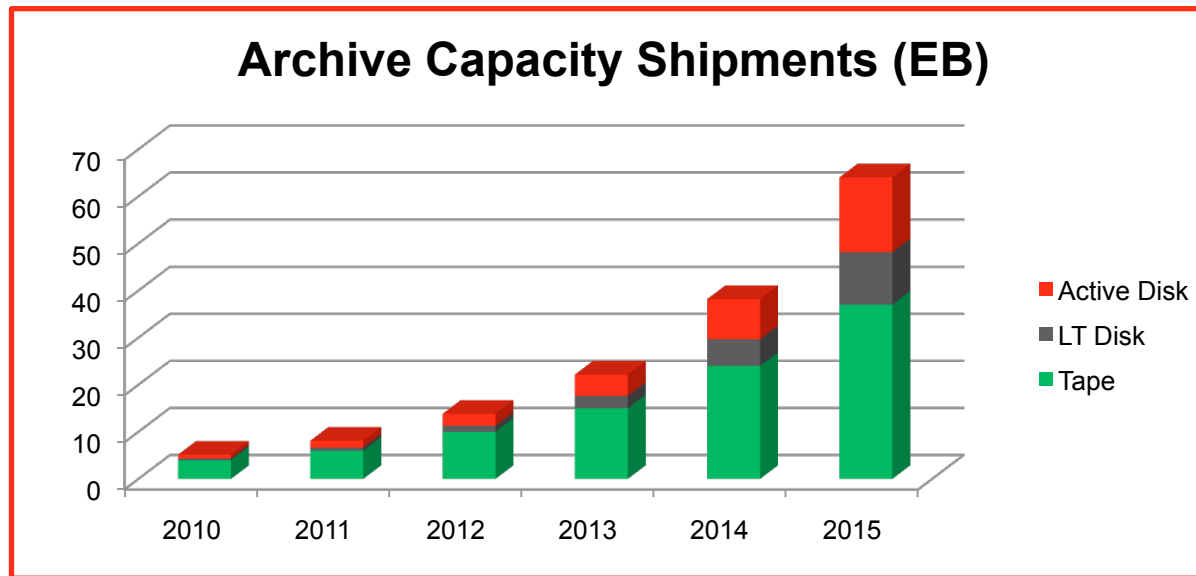


Source: The Clipper Group, <http://www.oracle.com/us/corporate/analystreports/industries/clipper-tco-storage-2013-1959019.pdf>
 Study compares a 1 PB archive growing at 45% annually for 9 years on disk and tape. Assumes 1:1 compression.

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Digital Archive Market Driving Tape Growth

Majority of Data is Stored on Tape

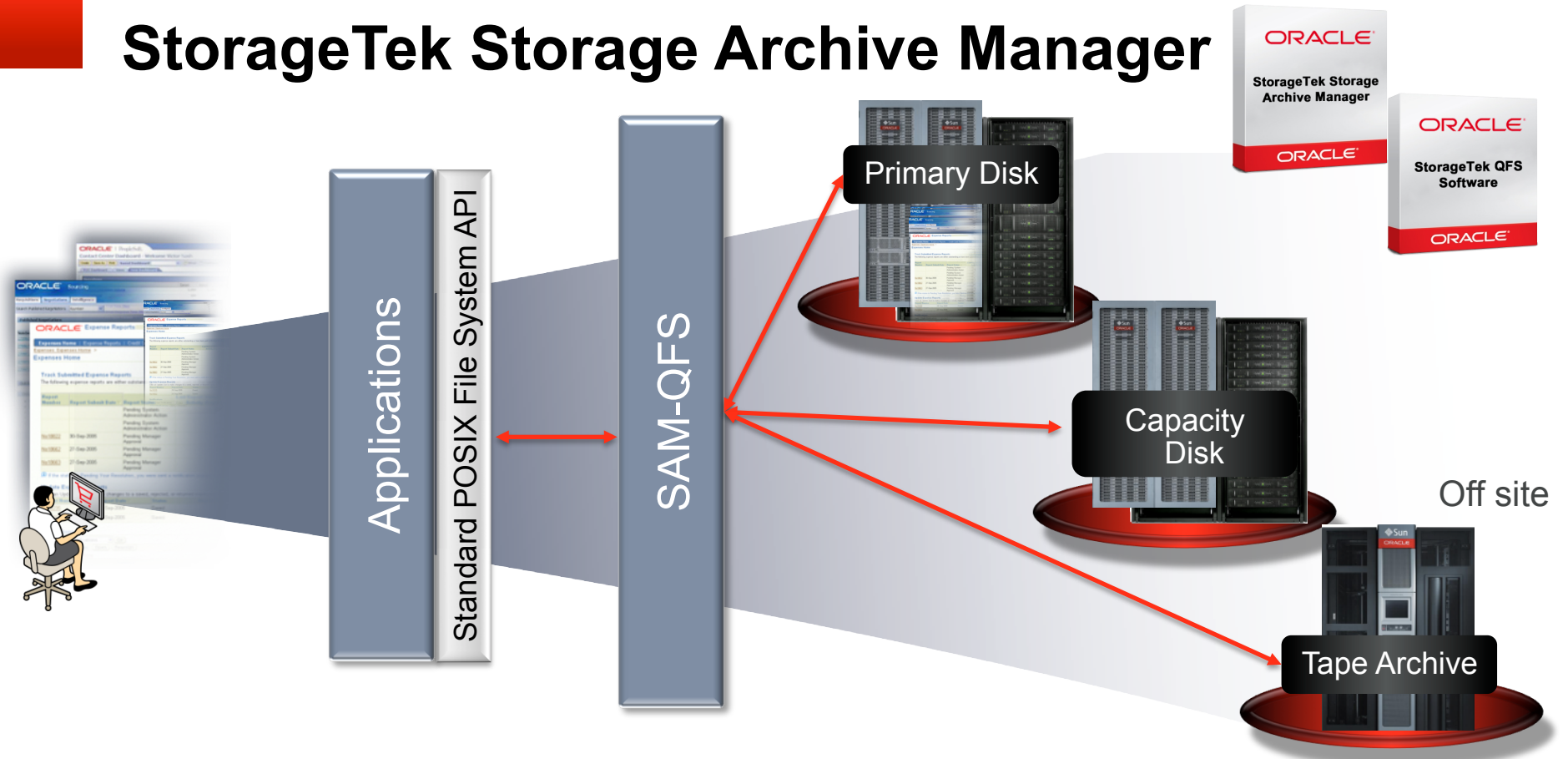


- Storage for archive and retention is a \$3B Market growing to over \$7B in 2017
 - Archive is distinct from primary or backup use case
 - Tape is established as primary storage tier for long-term retention

IDC Market Analysis. Worldwide Archival Storage Solutions Forecast: Archiving Needs Thrive in an Information-Thirsty World. (IDC #230762)

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StorageTek Storage Archive Manager



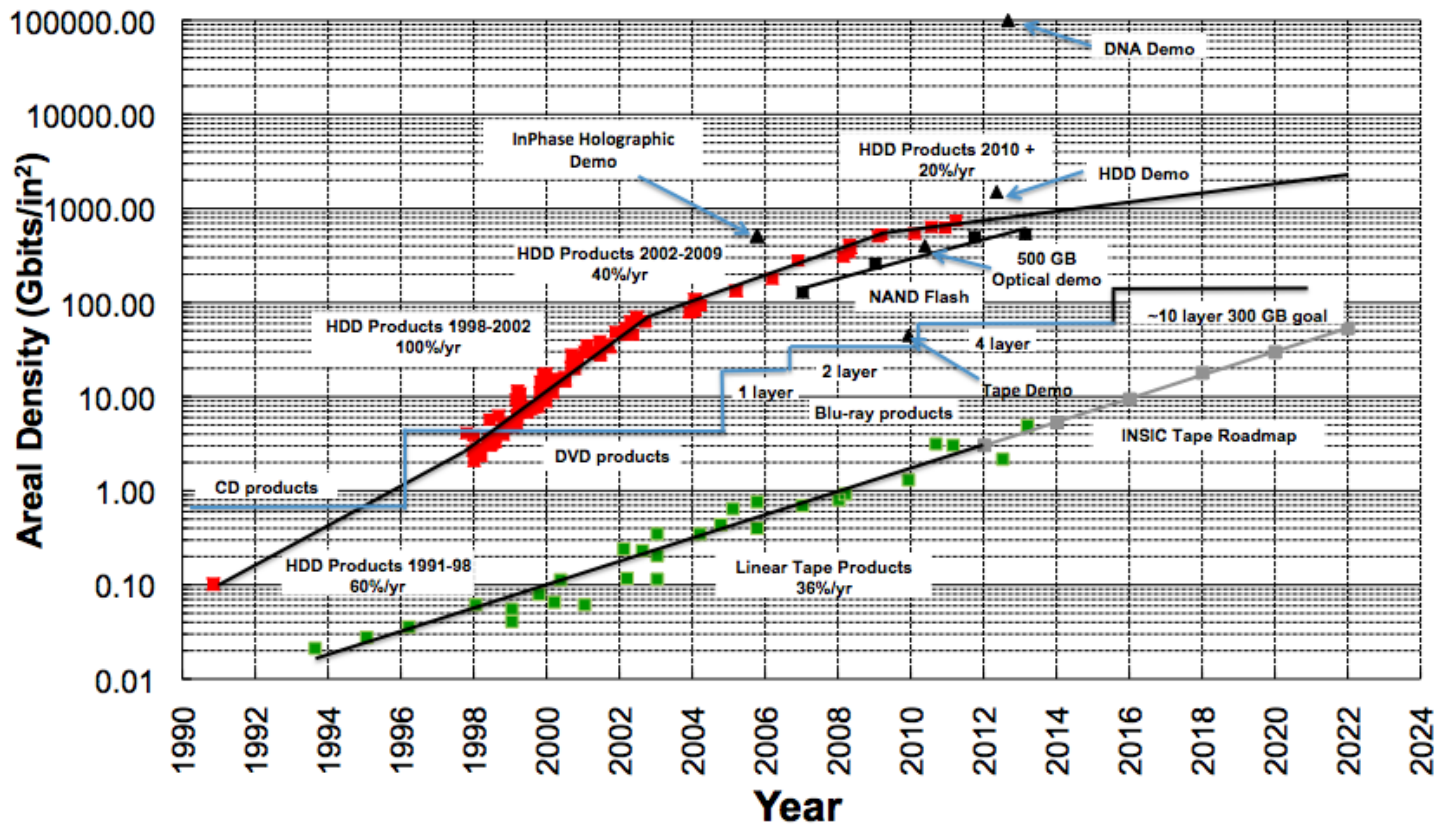
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Storage Trends



Storage Technologies Areal Density Trends



Tape gets its capacity by having 1000X the recording surface area comparing a 1/2 inch cartridge to a 3 1/2 inch disk.



DNA Storage Demo¹

- 2.2 PB per gram
 - ~ 100,000 Gb / inch² equivalent areal density, see reference²
 - ~ 100 times more areal density than disk
- \$12,400/MB
 - ~ 400,000,000 times more cost than tape
- “Two weeks to reconstruct their five files, although with better equipment it could be done in a day”
 - ~ 0.6 Bytes/sec data rate based on 739 KB stored in demo
 - ~ 400,000,000 times slower than tape
- Longevity could be an issue³

1 <http://www.economist.com/news/science-and-technology/21570671-archives-could-last-thousands-years-when-stored-dna-instead-magnetic>

2 <http://uw.physics.wisc.edu/~himpse/mem.html>

3 http://www.rndsystems.com/MiniReview_MR03_DNADamageResponse.aspx

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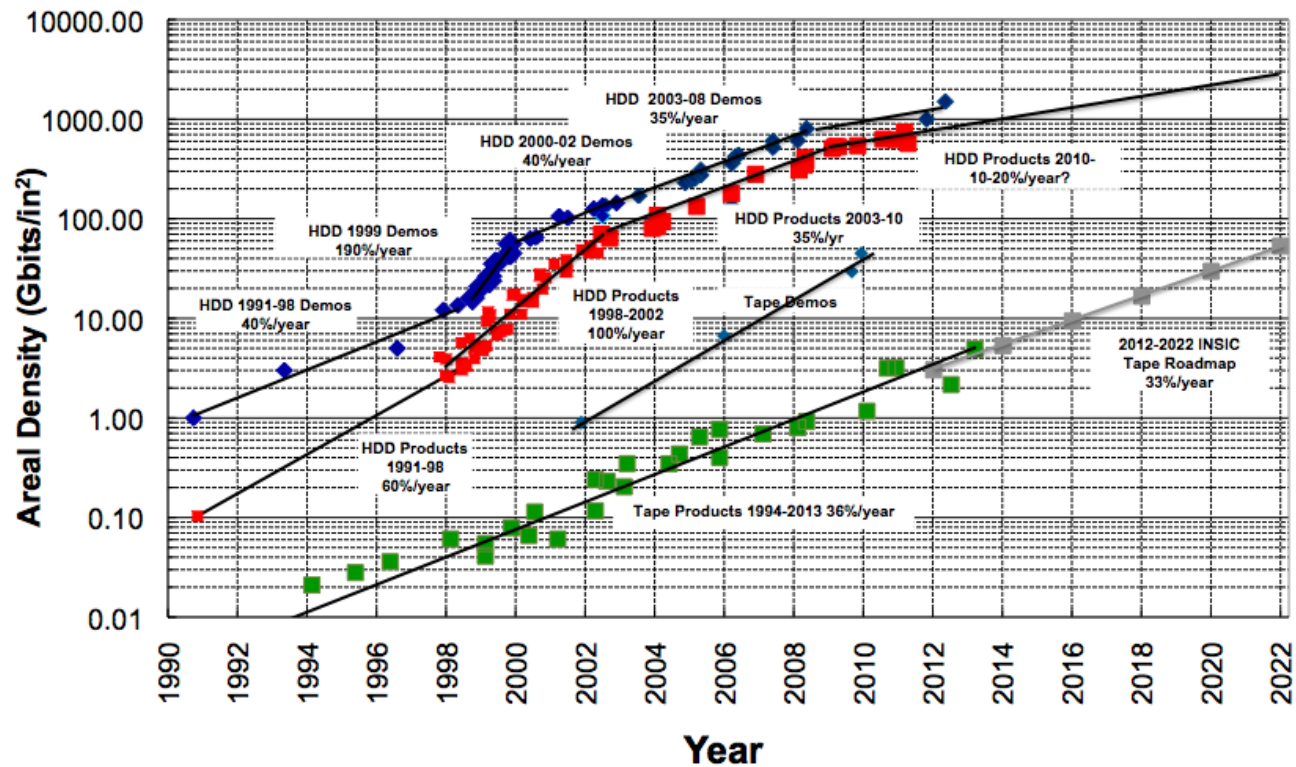
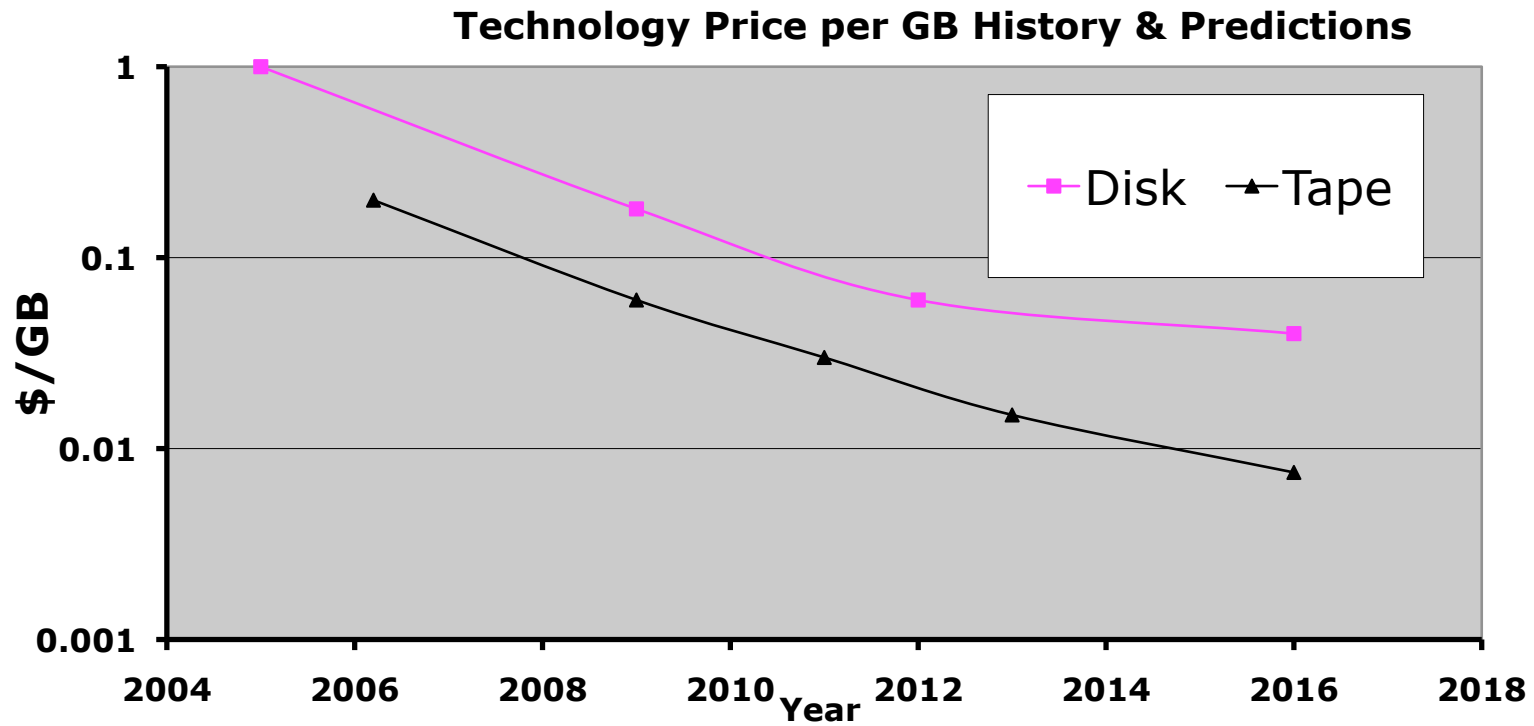


Chart courtesy of INSIC

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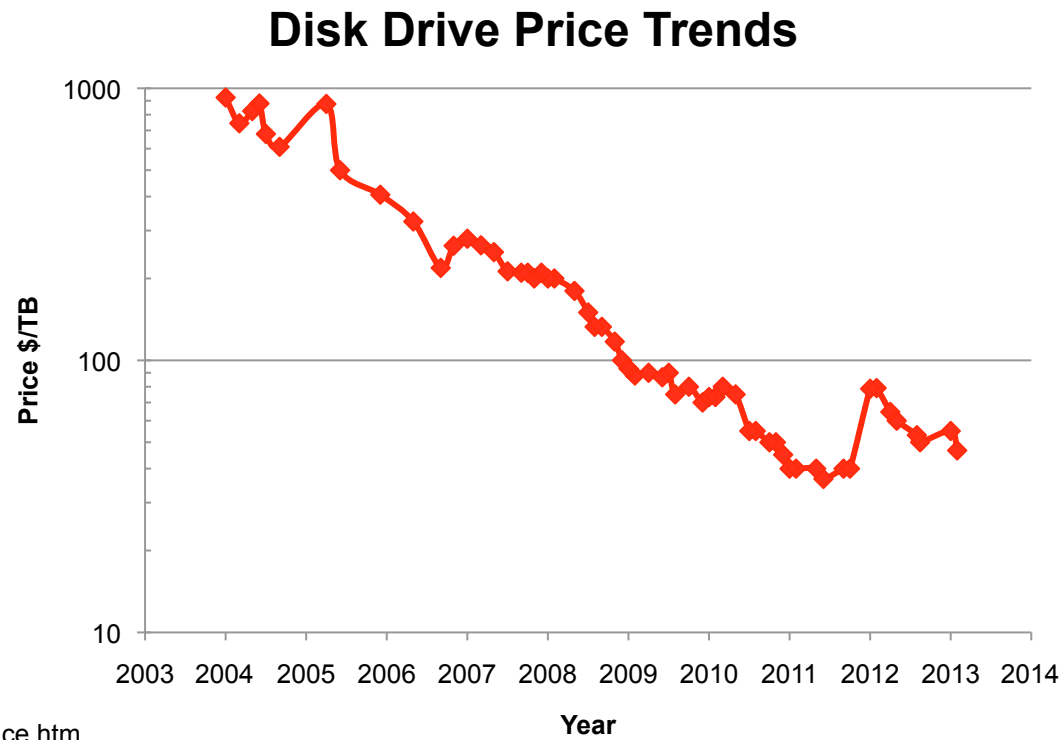


Tape & Disk Data Storage Price Trends



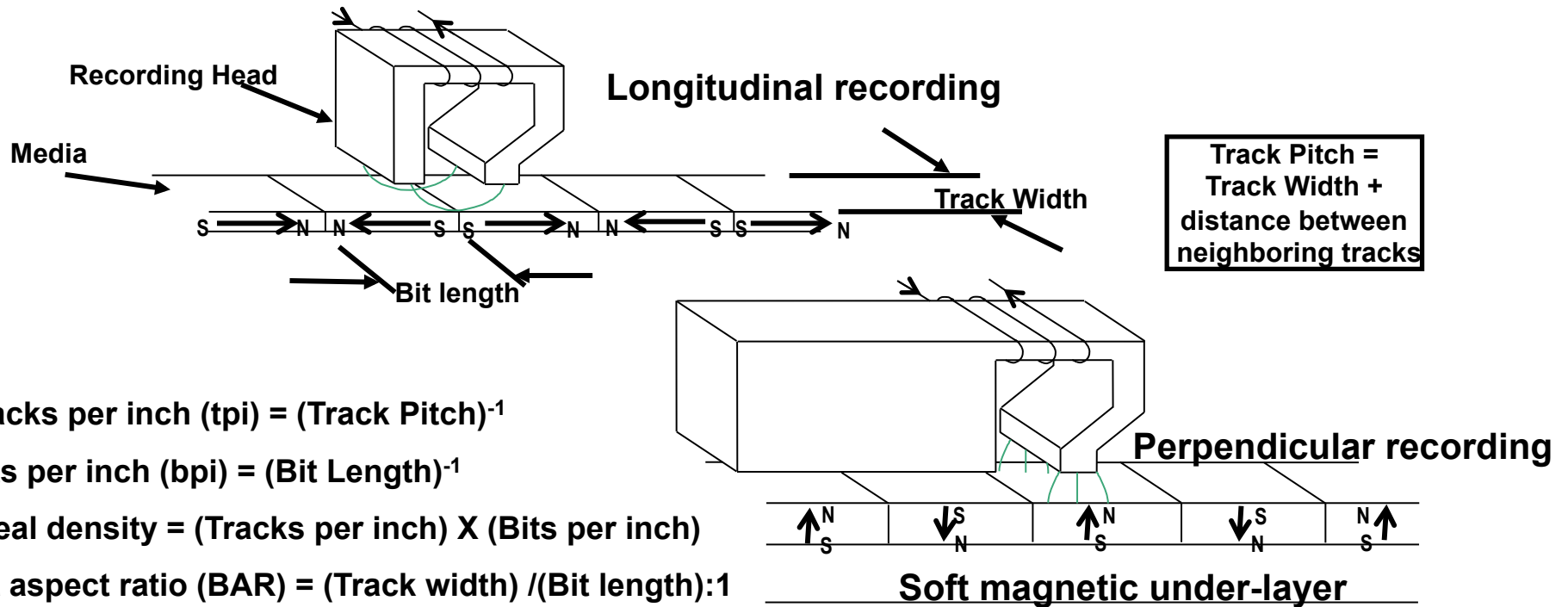


Disk Drive Price Trends¹



1. <http://www.jcmit.com/diskprice.htm>

Magnetic Recording Definitions



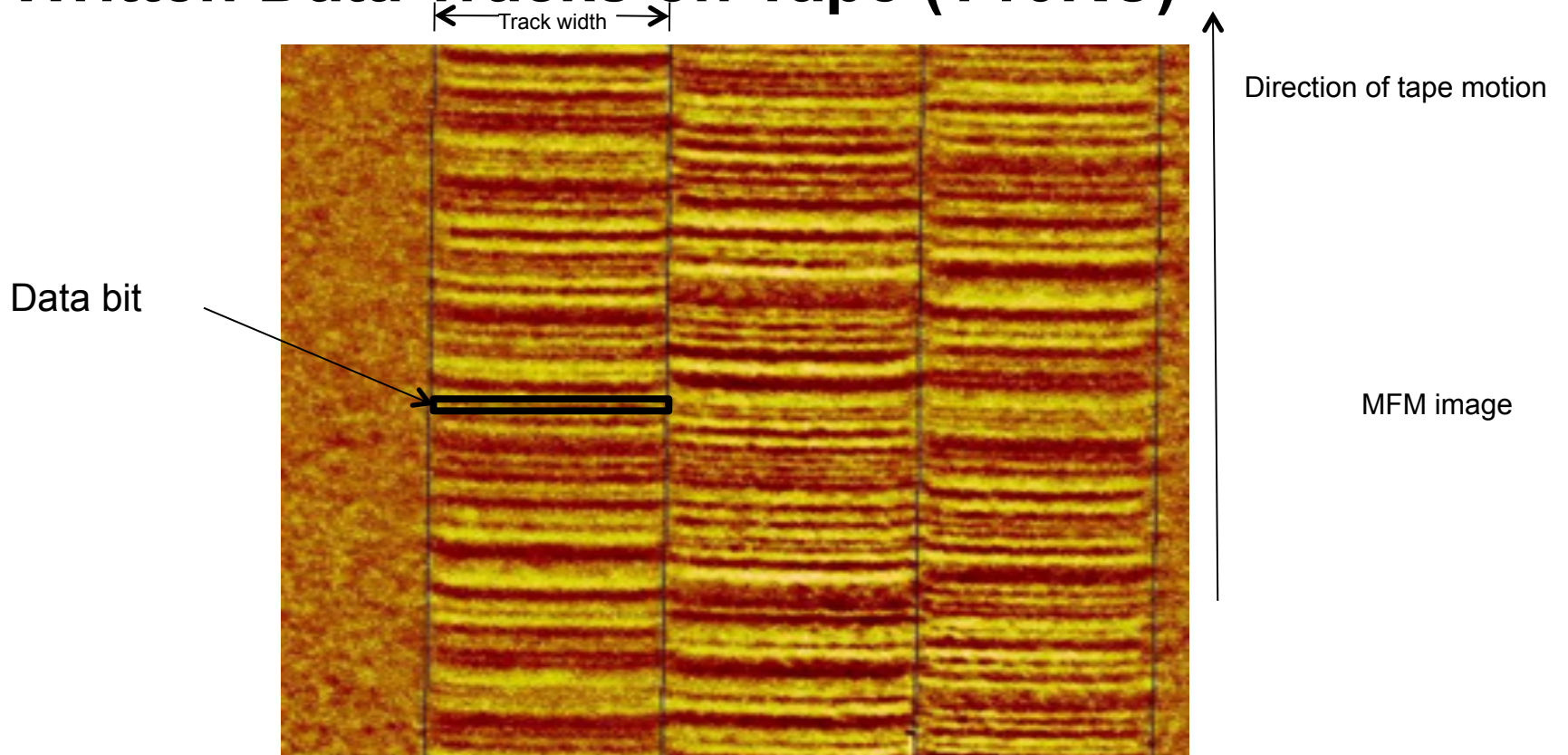
Tracks per inch (tpi) = (Track Pitch)⁻¹

Bits per inch (bpi) = (Bit Length)⁻¹

Areal density = (Tracks per inch) X (Bits per inch)

Bit aspect ratio (BAR) = (Track width) / (Bit length):1

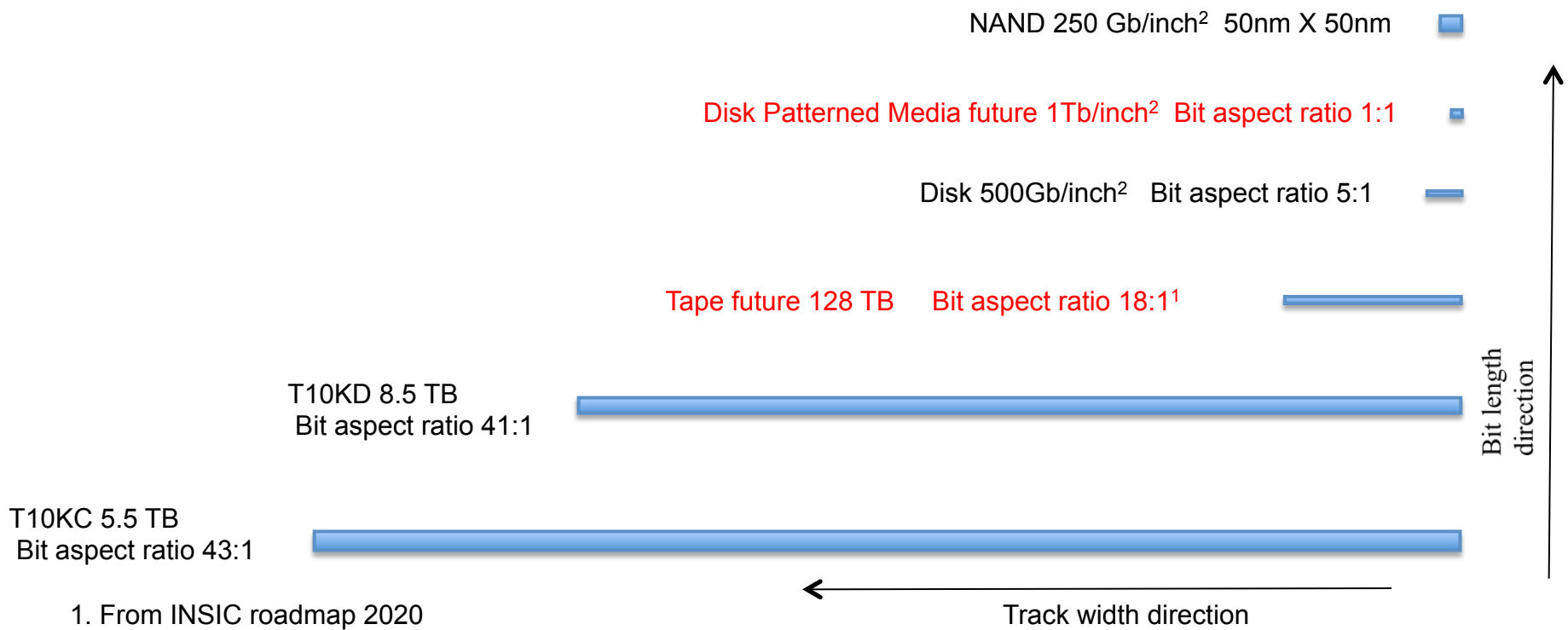
Written Data Tracks on Tape (T10KC)



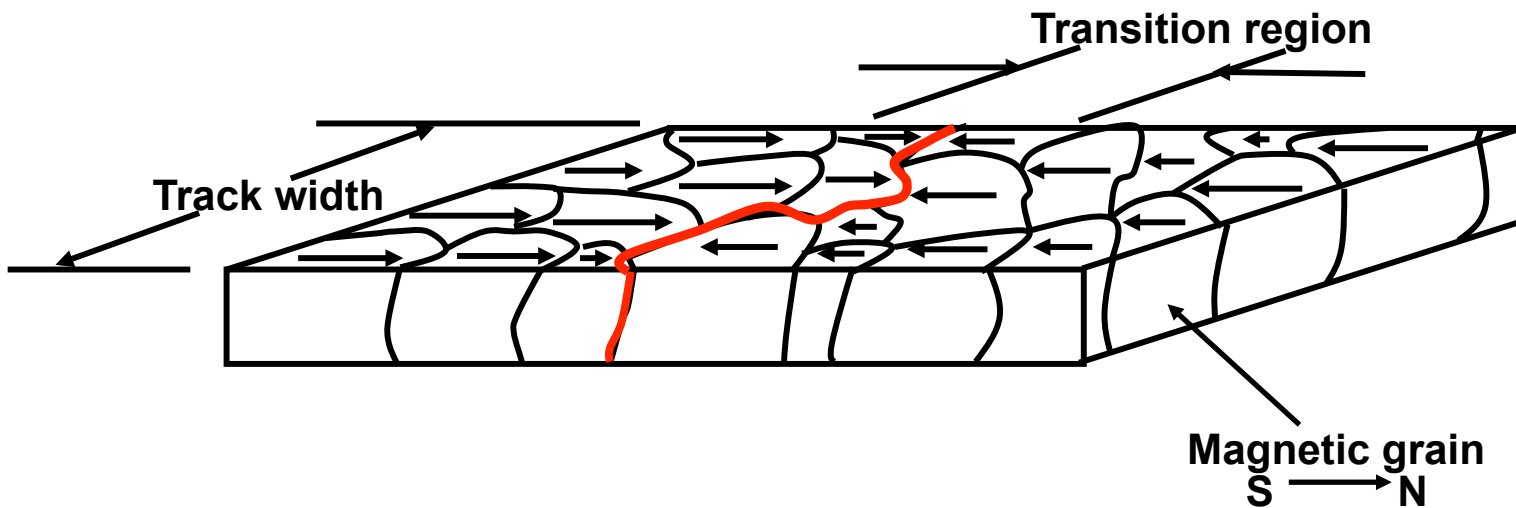
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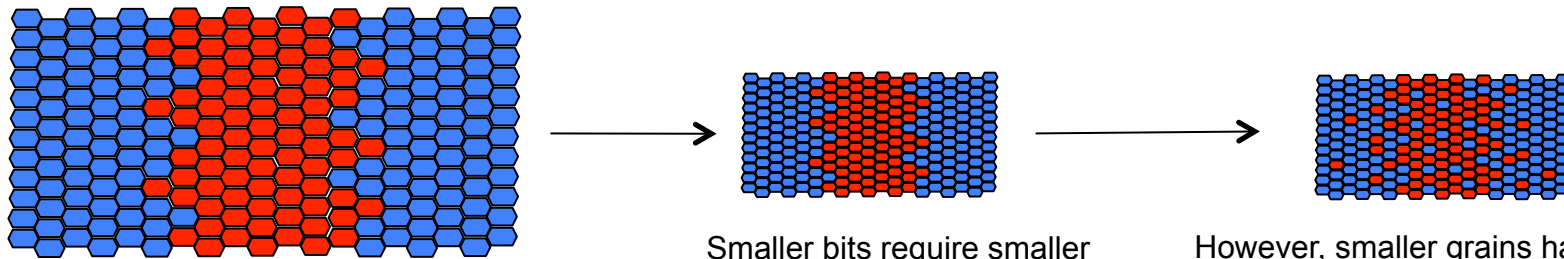
Data Bit Size Comparison



A Closer Look at the Magnetic Layer (grains or particles)



Super-Paramagnetic Effect



Smaller bits require smaller grains for required SNR

However, smaller grains have a higher probability of reversing over time

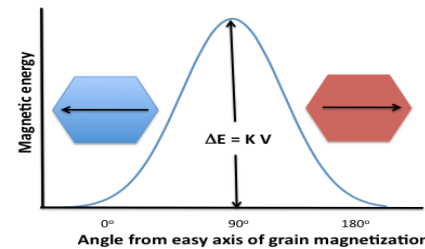
Neel-Arrhenius law gives: Mean time to randomly flip grain due to thermal fluctuations

$$\tau_N = \tau_0 \exp\left(\frac{KV}{k_B T}\right)$$

V is the volume of the grain, T is the temperature and K is the grain's magnetic anisotropy energy

$$\frac{KV}{k_B T} > 60 \text{ for good thermal stability, 10 year data life }^{1,2}$$

$$\frac{KV}{k_B T} > 90 \text{ for today's tape }^3, \text{ 30 year data life}$$



1. Dobisz et al. Patterned Media: Nanofabrication Challenges of Future Disk Drives, Proceedings of the IEEE, Vol. 96, No. 11, November 2008
2. Weller et al. Thermal Effect Limits in Ultrahigh-Density Magnetic Recording, IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, VOL. 35, NO. 6, November 1999
3. Watson et al. Investigation of Thermal Demagnetization Effects in Data Recorded on Advanced Barium Ferrite Recording Media, IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, Vol. 44, No. 11, November 2008



Disk Storage





Disk Magnetic Recording Tri-Lemma Review

- Smaller bits => Smaller grains for required SNR
- Smaller grains => Higher H_c^1 for thermal stability
- Higher H_c => Can not write on the media

1. H_c is the media Coercivity, which is the strength of the magnetic field required to flip the magnetization in the media



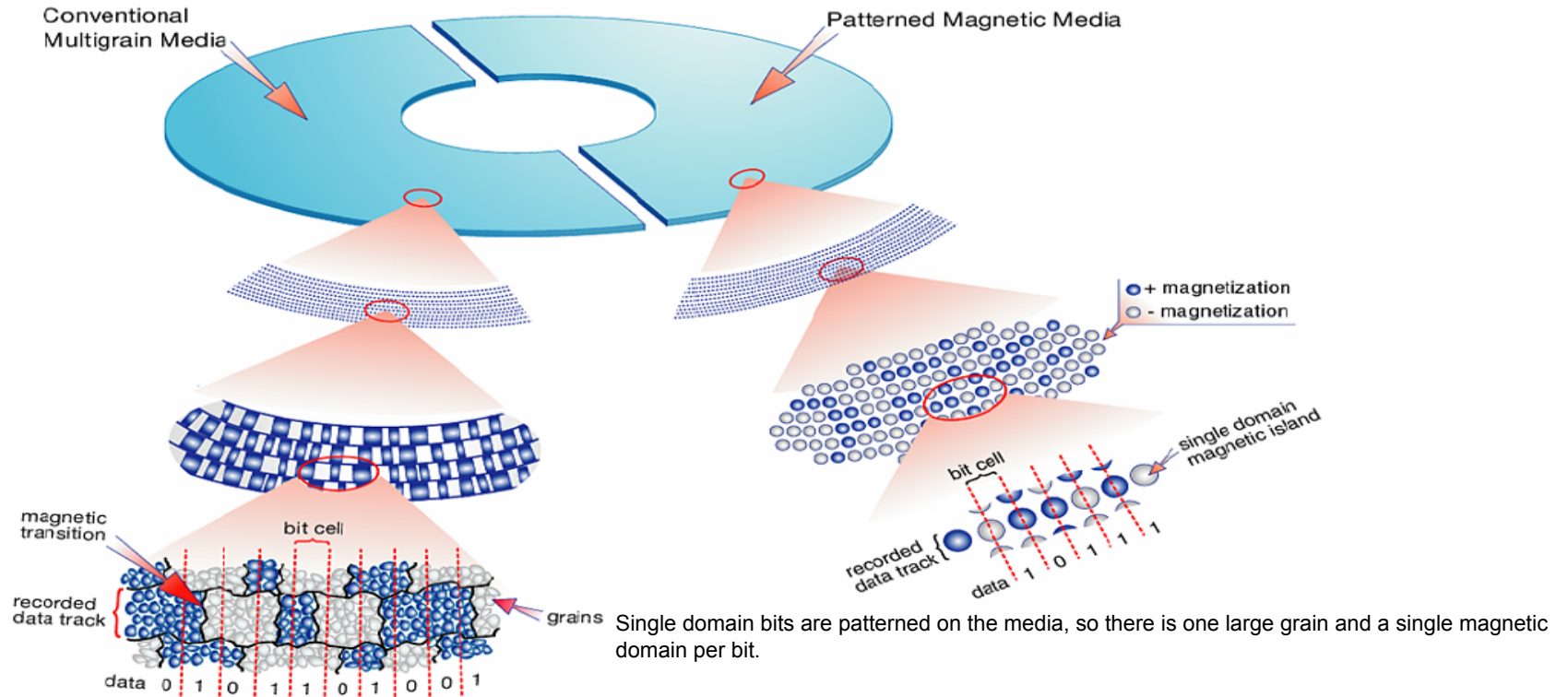
Technologies Likely to be Introduced

- Helium Drives (2013, WD) ¹
 - 40% capacity increase 4 platters -> 6 or 7 platters
- Shingled Drives (2013, WD, Seagate) ¹
 - 20-25% areal density increase
- Heat Assisted Drives (2014, Seagate) ¹
 - 60% areal density increase
- Bit Patterned Media (end of the decade, WD) ²
 - 100% areal density increase

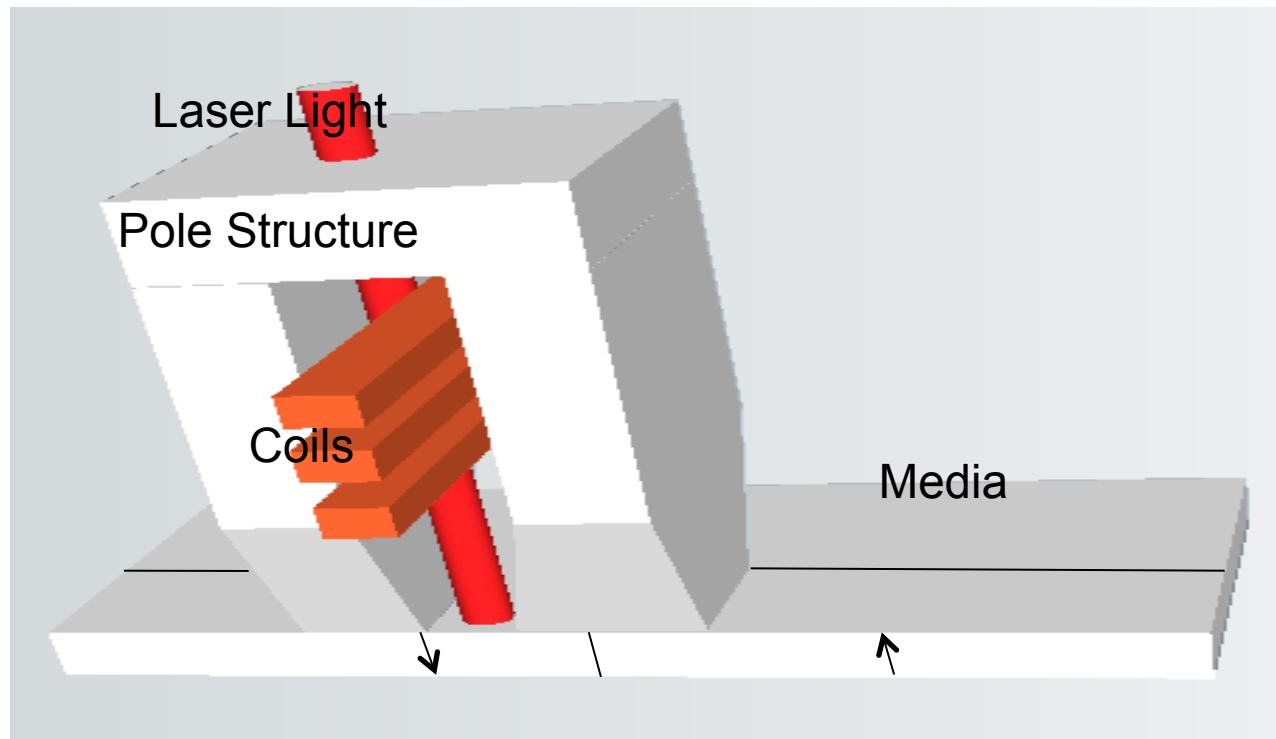
1 http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/02/12/seagate_hamr/

2 <http://www.hgst.com/press-room/2013/hgst-reaches-10-nanometer-patterned-bit-milestone-nanotechnology-process-will-double-todays-disk-drive-data-density>

Bit Patterned Media Concept



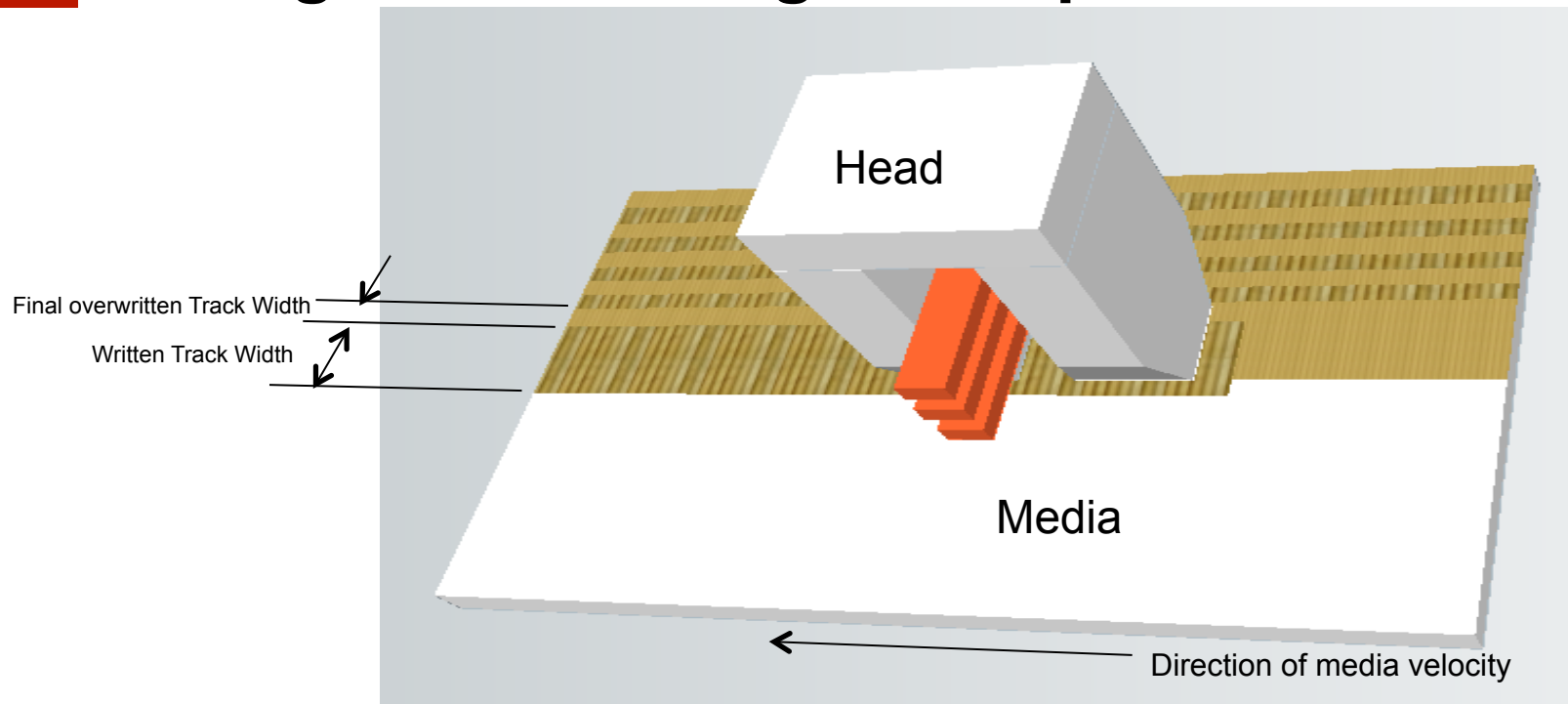
HAMR Concept



Laser heats media reducing media H_c so head magnetic field can write media

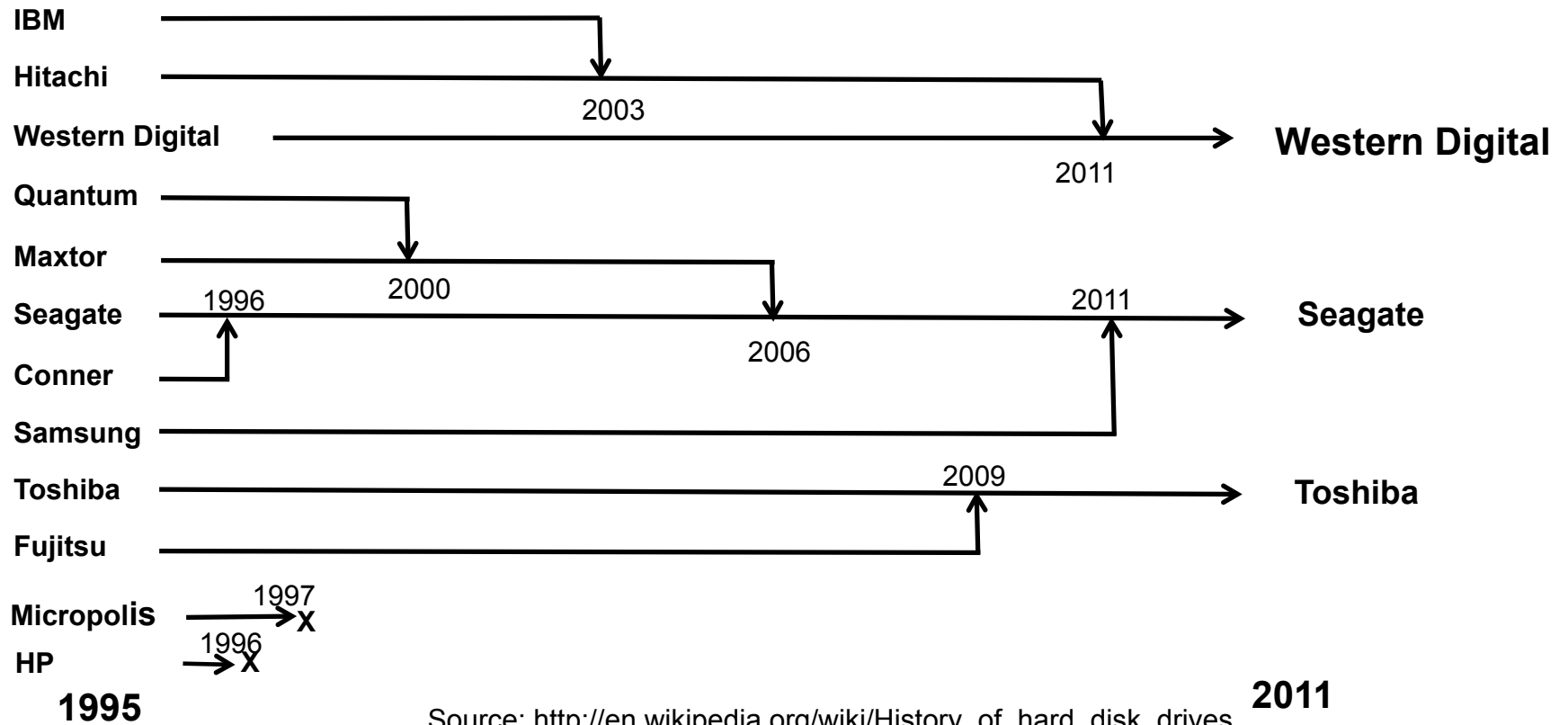
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Shingled Recording Concept



Wide tracks are partially overwritten to get narrower tracks

Disk Drive Manufacturers Family Tree



Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_hard_disk_drives



Tape Storage Trends



Technology Marches Forward

10 TB Example Over 15 Years



1996

- 6000 carts
- Timberline 9490 – 1.6 GB
- 357 sq ft
- 8200 lbs

It is good to upgrade technology



2011

- 2 carts
- T10000C – 5.0 TB
- 0.3 sq ft
- 1.2 lbs

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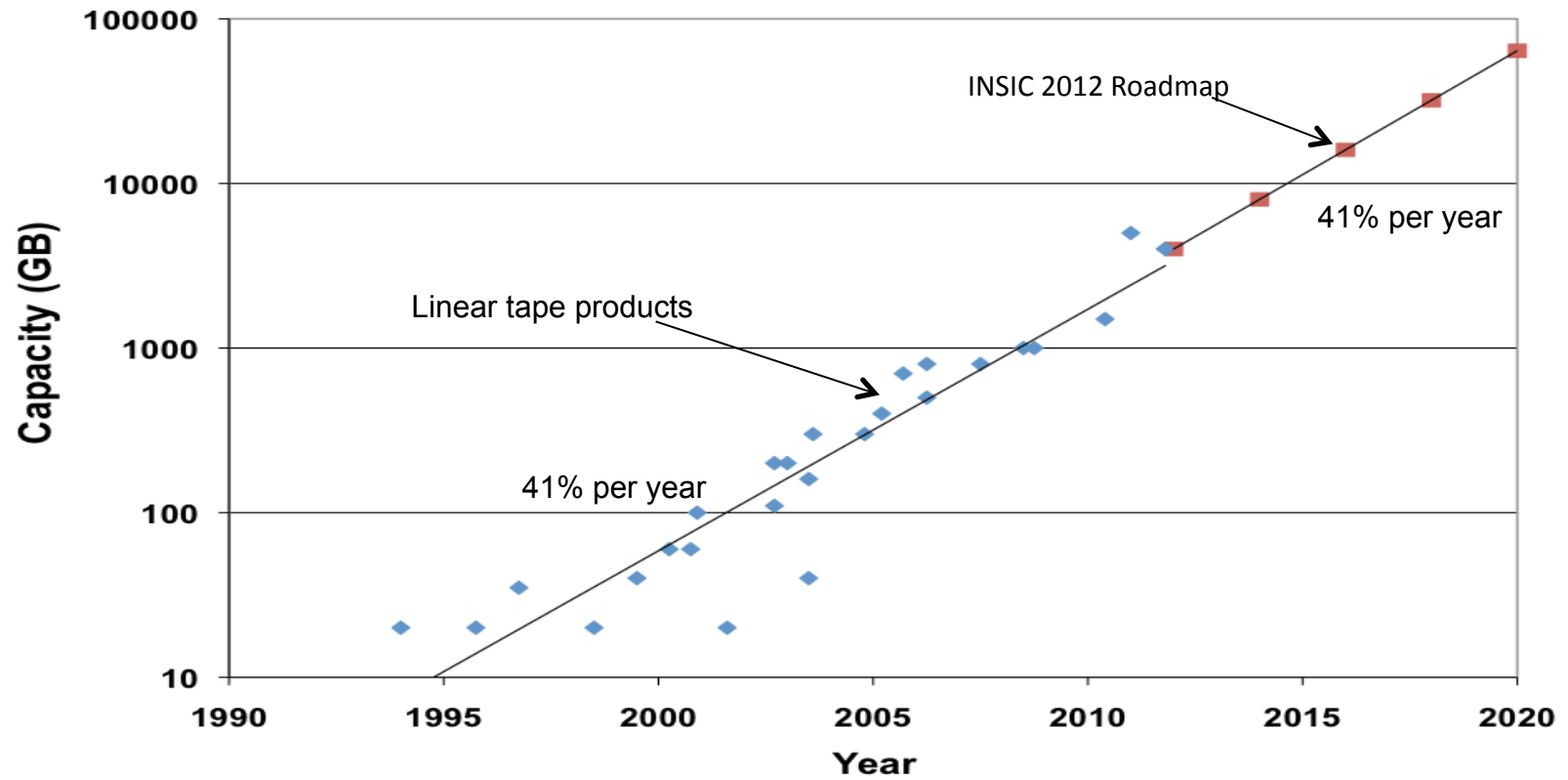
INSIC 2012 Tape Roadmap

- Generated every 3-4 years
- Roadmap Developed by Consensus
- 2012 Roadmap
 - Technical section lead by Bob Raymond
 - 16 Industry Companies
 - 8 Research Universities
 - Total of 75 participants
- Published in 2012
 - www.insic.org





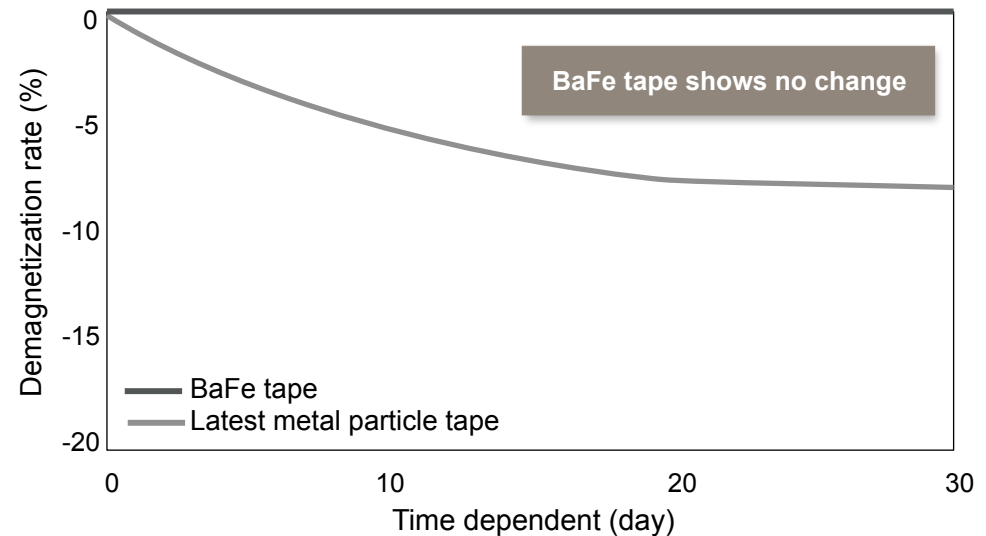
Tape Cartridge Capacity Trend



The Ultimate Archive Media

StorageTek T10000 T2 Media is Formulated using Barium Ferrite magnetic particles and Aramid substrate

- BaFe has been shown to have superior life for long term applications
- 30 year accelerated tests show no change in magnetic data retention compared to current MP media¹



¹<http://www.fujifilm.com/news/n100910.html>

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