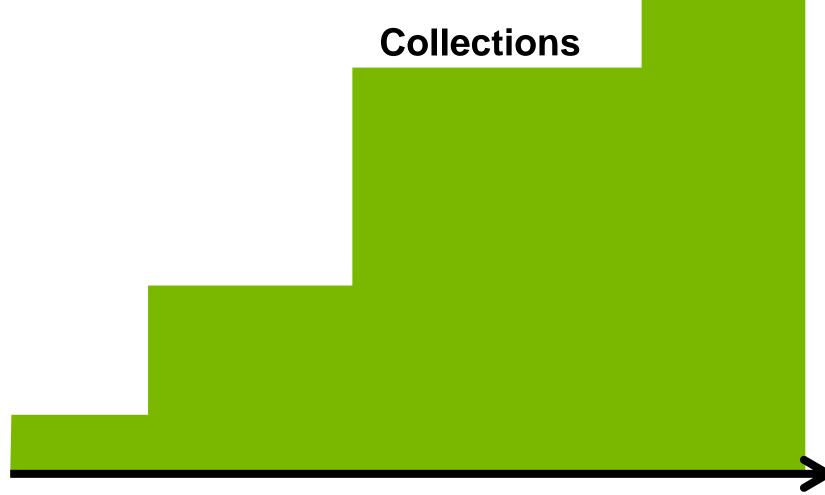
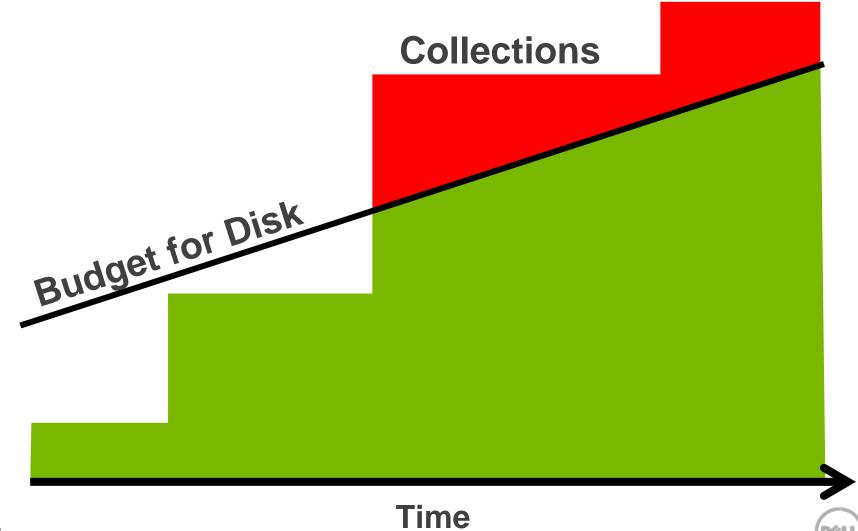
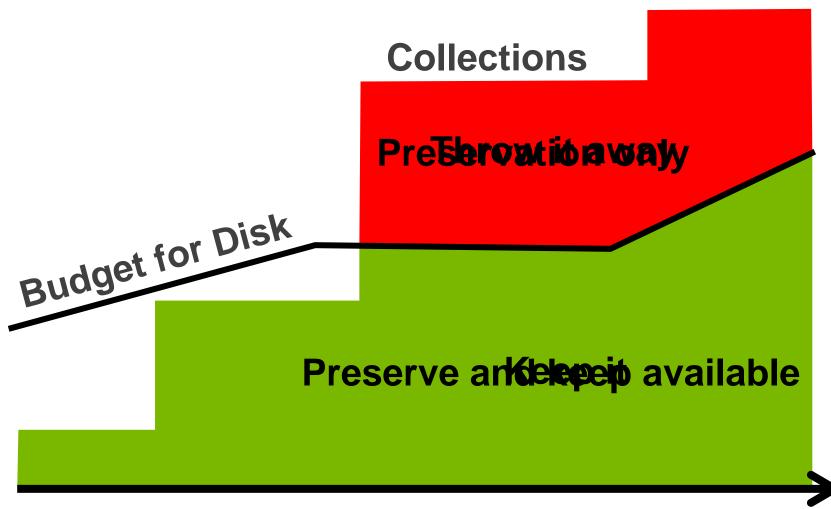
Trading CPU Cycles for Gigabytes: Data Reduction Approaches for Archival Storage

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A new type of HDD with 2-3x the capacity at the same price

The ability to reduce WAN replication traffic by 2-3x

The ability to reduce platform migration time by 2-3x

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Data Reduction is...

Dedupe = Eliminating redundant data, within an object or across objects

Compression = Using math to predict data stream patterns



Some Ways to Shrink Data Better

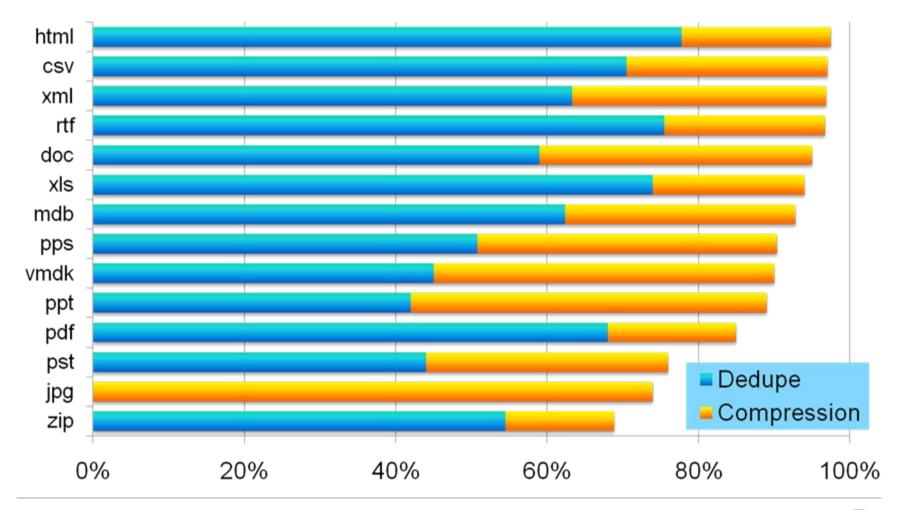
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5x Better Utilization is Worth A Serious Look





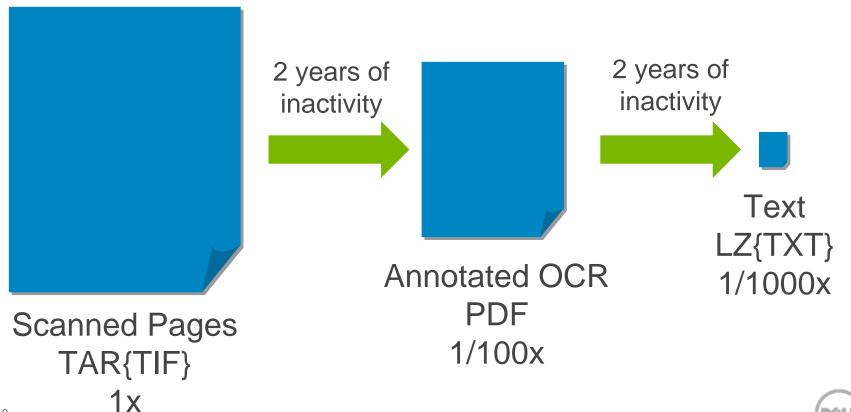
It's Not Just About Better Algorithms

- Shrink data well
- 2. The shrinking needs to happen somewhere appropriate
 - As part of the storage layer
 - A host properly sized for the workload
 - > CPU cores for compression, RAM for dedupe
 - Running it: Management, resilience, and policies
- 3. Transparent to applications and end-users
 - Don't change file system metadata (2/18/80 rule)
 - Use file mover APIs where available
 - Performance asymmetry favoring read operations
- 4. Needs to introduce minimal new risk
 - Self describing wrappers
 - Run-anywhere decoding
 - Market reliability: vendor lifecycle, escrow, etc



Applying Lossy Compression to Preservation?

An "Object Fidelity Lifecycle"?





Thank you!

