# Storage vs Computing Networks

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#### Just in Different Amounts

# **Requirements: A Matter of Emphasis**

- Storage Network
  - Cost-Effective Bandwidth
  - Latency not critical (rotating)
  - Scale to 10<sup>4</sup> endpoints
  - Large packets dominate

- Exascale Network
  - Cost-Effective Bandwidth
  - Low latency essential
  - ▶ Scale to 10<sup>5</sup> endpoints
  - Short packets important

# Data Centers Want an Exascale Network

- Low-latency, fine-grained network access, scalability
- Latency of apps dominated by network
- Many data center apps could benefit from finer-grained parallelism (PGAS)
- And it shouldn't cost anything





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