

ABSTRACT:

I will talk about Google's search cluster architecture that uses more than 15000 commodity class PCs to deliver superior search performance at a fraction of the cost of a system built from fewer, but more expensive, high-end servers. I'll mention some of the challenges we have faced in making such large scale deployment of commodity hardware work well. In particular, I will talk about some of our distributed systems software infrastructure that we have built to manage the underlying unreliable hardware and make rapid development and deployment of new scalable web services like Gmail, Google Earth etc.

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