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# The problem

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ROVINJ, CRVENI OTOK

**Testing & development**



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## History

from 1992, ~20 employees

## Applications:

special (DMS - Document Management System, DB - Newspaper Distribution, FIS - Flight Information System)

ARBITER - the ultimate tool in audit trailing

APPM - Abakus Plus Performance and Monitoring Tool

## Services:

DBA, OS administration, programming (MediaWiki, Oracle)

networks (services, VPN, QoS, security)

open source, monitoring (Nagios, OCS, Wiki)

## Hardware:

servers, Backup server, SAN storage, firewalls

## Infrastructure:

from 1995 GNU/Linux (>20 years of experience!)

>20 years of experience with High-Availability!



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MESTNA OBČINA KOPER  
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Aerodrom Ljubljana



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# The problem





# The problem

- Beyond every prod ...
  - There is TEST, DEV ...





# The problem

- Beyond every prod ...
  - There is TEST, DEV ...
  - ... and other project-specific environment







# The problem

- PROD grows





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- Trying to migrate the problem by copying subsets of PROD ...





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- ... but it is difficult and time-consuming.  
Most give up ...

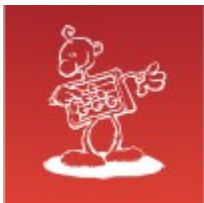




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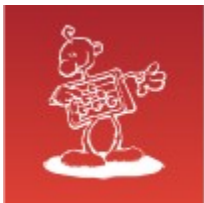
- This environments become stale ...



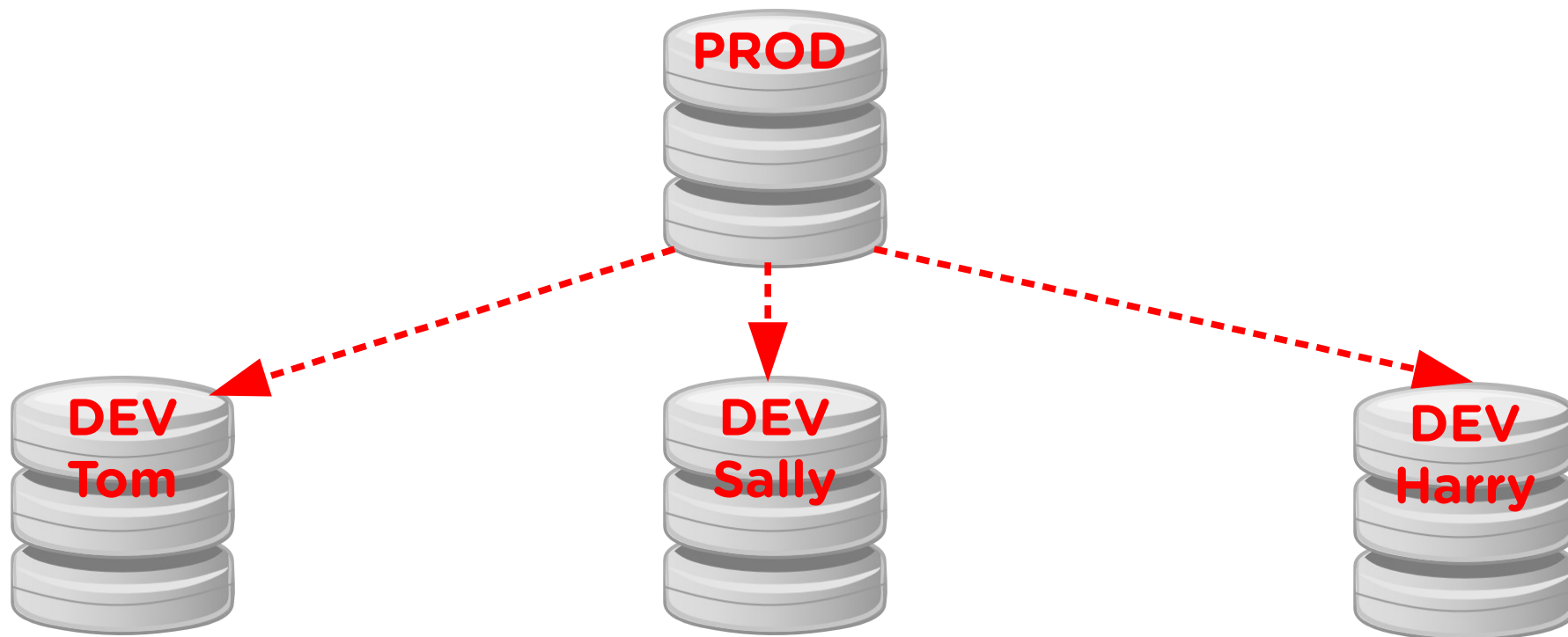


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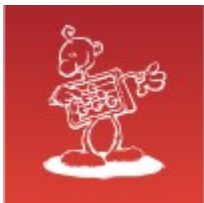


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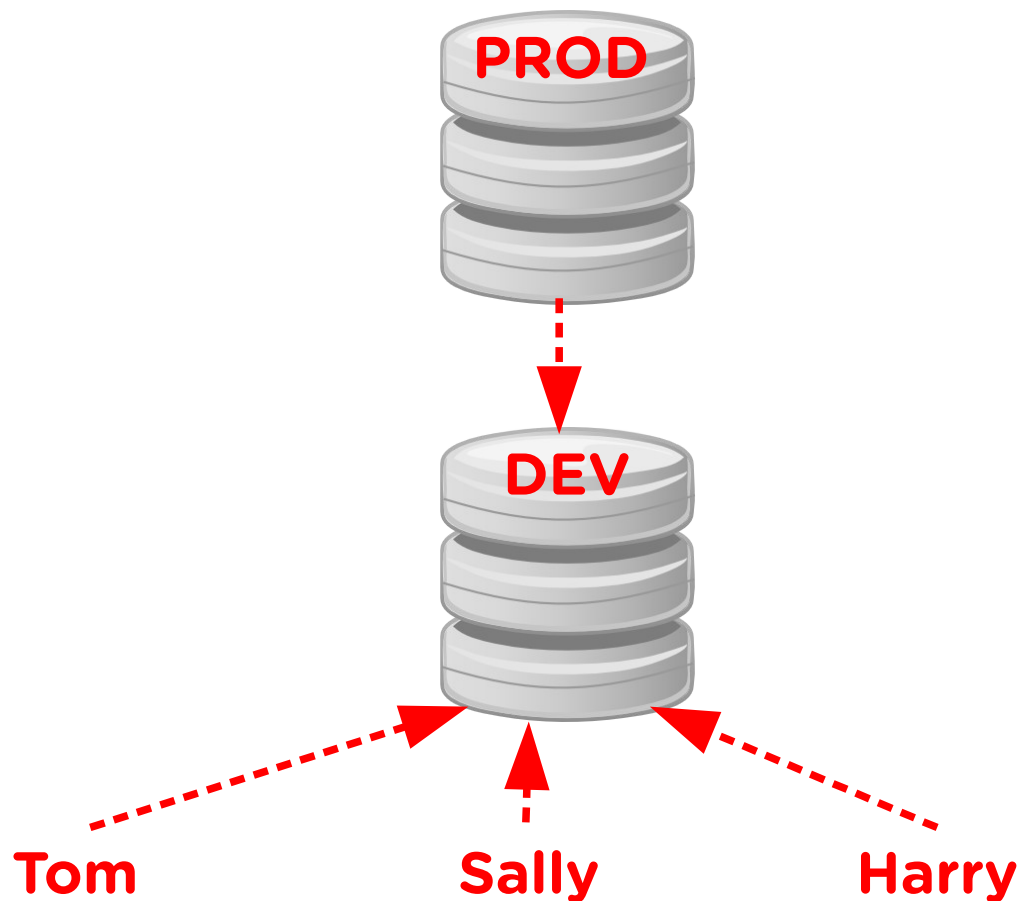


In a perfect world ...





# Attempting to solve problem



In a real world ...





# Attempting to solve problem

- It is not easy for developers or testers to share environments simultaneously.
  - Changes made by each user conflict with one another.
- Serialize access to the limited number of environments.
  - Each user queues at the resource - their project takes more time.
  - Each user destructively changes the resource.
- We need a way and time to reset or cleanup environment between each use.
  - Reset or clean up takes time and resources.







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- Report usually runs 15 minutes, last night runs 3 hours!





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**PROD V1.0**



**TEST V1.1**



**DEV V1.1**





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**PROD V1.0**



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**DEV V1.1**





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- ... **create V1.0 TEST clone and debug it.**

**PROD V1.0**

**TEST V1.1**

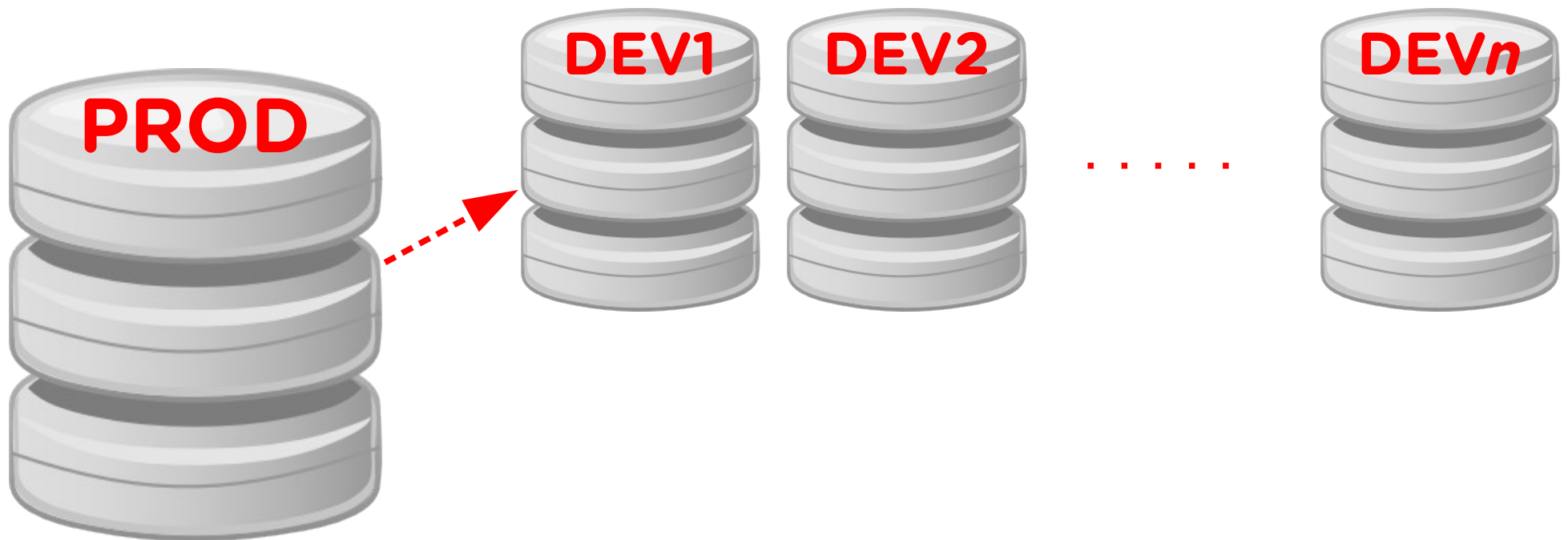
**DEV V1.1**





# A solution

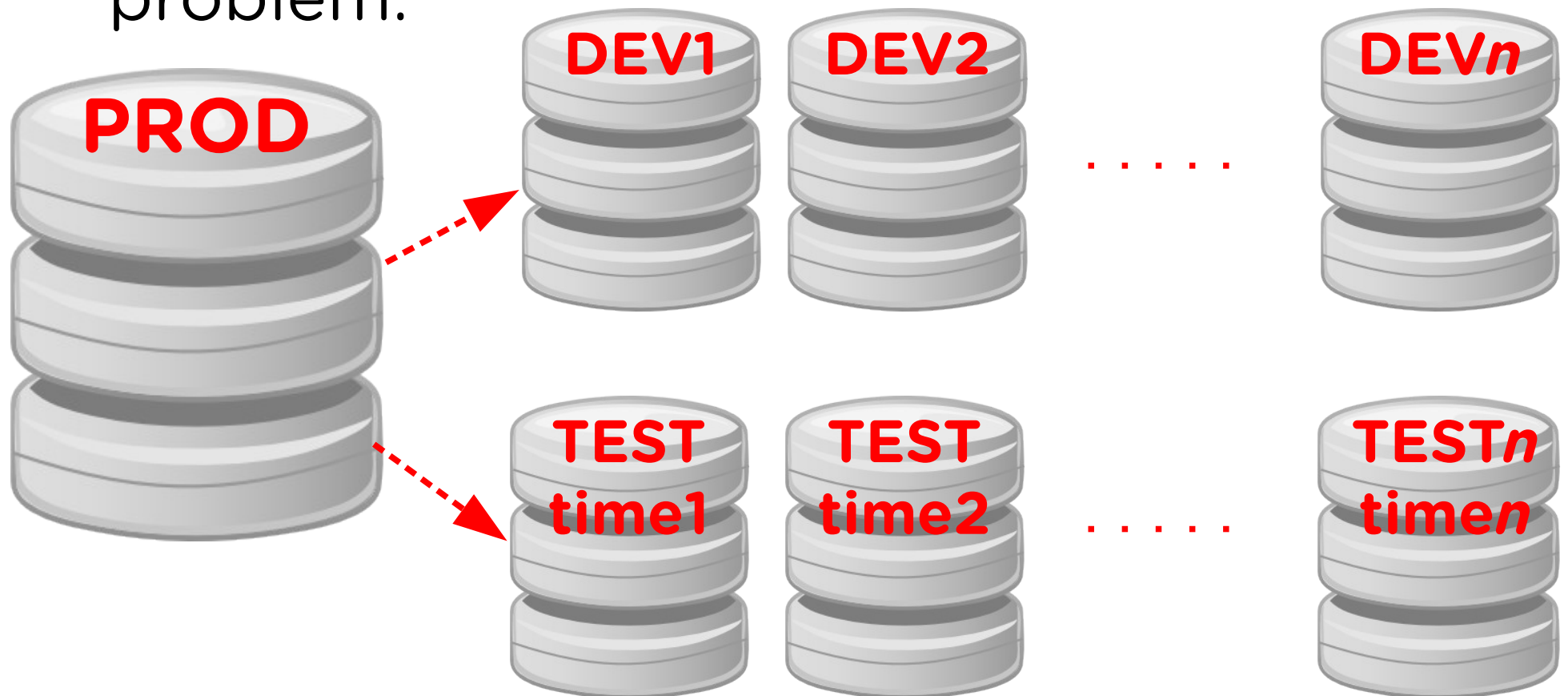
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# A solution

- DEV database for each developer team.
- Point in time TEST database for each problem.

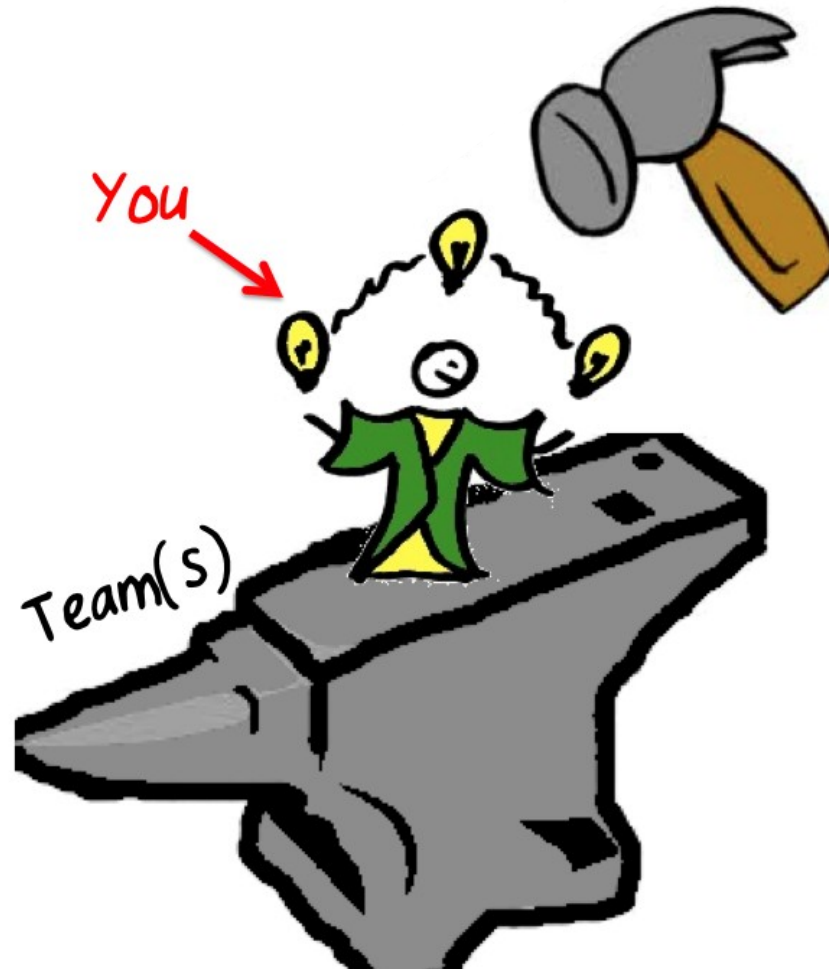






# DBA

- Leadership.



- Developers,
- testers.





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- Time to complete the procedure?
- Cost (DBA work, server, ...)?





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# Backup server – Deja Vu

- Connect to the Backup server.
- Open the database from required time in read-only or read-write mode.
- Execute failed job and debug it.





# The solution

Tom

September 2015

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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Time 13:38:47

Hour

Minute

Second





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Time 15:40:22

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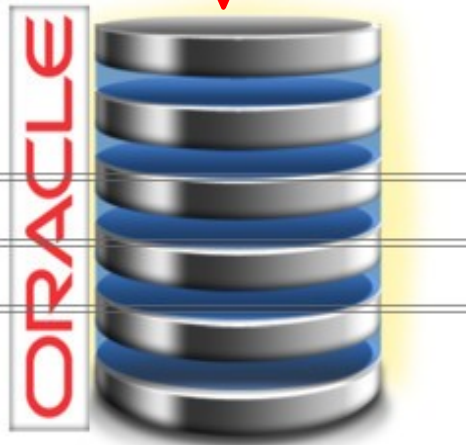
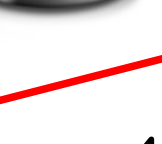
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PROD

Time 1

Time 2

Time 3



Time 4

Time 5



Backup server



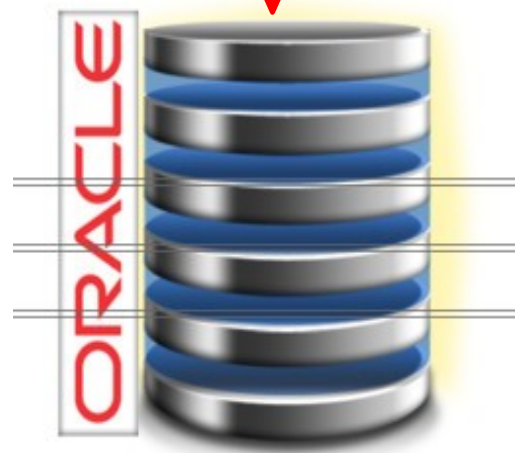


# The solution

PROD

DEV srv1

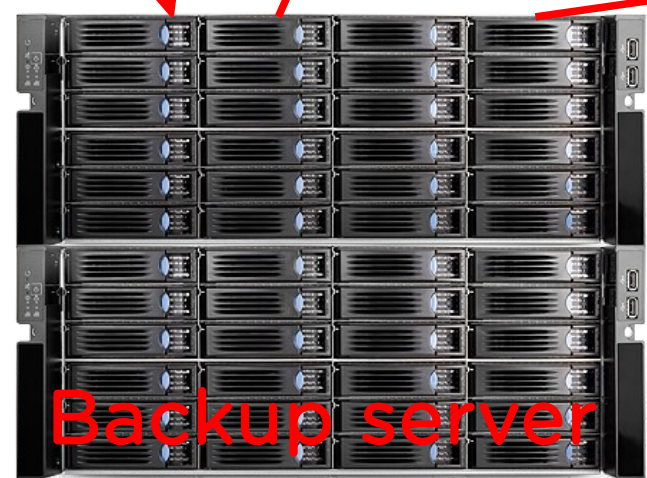
TEST srv1



Time 1



Time 2



Backup server

NFS

NFS



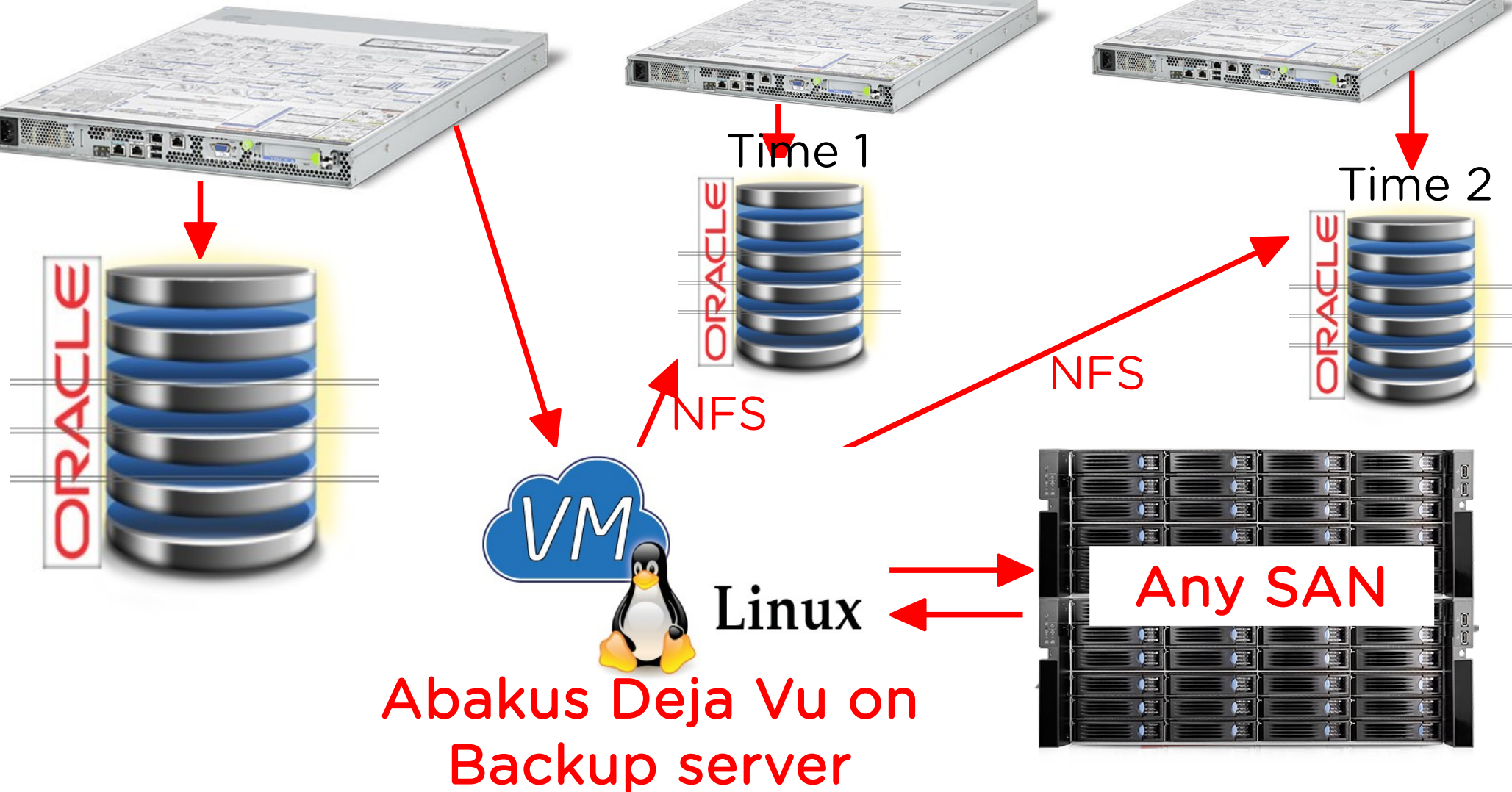


# The solution

PROD

DEV srv1

TEST srv1





# Backup server – Deja Vu

## Resources

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OFFLINE	database	DWSTAGE1	2014-10-02 18:10:13	2014-10-03 23:00:00	2014-06-20 23:00:00
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OFFLINE	database	ORCL10	2014-10-02 21:10:49	2014-10-03 23:00:00	2014-06-20 23:00:00
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Oracle PITR Instance

Refresh

## Backups

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/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-10-01-23-00	860 G	2014-10-01 23:00:00	2014-10-01 21:10:42	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-30-23-00	860 G	2014-09-30 23:00:00	2014-09-30 21:09:22	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-29-23-00	859 G	2014-09-29 23:00:00	2014-09-29 21:09:44	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-28-23-00	858 G	2014-09-28 23:00:00	2014-09-28 05:09:04	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-27-23-00	858 G	2014-09-27 23:00:00	2014-09-27 21:09:59	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-26-23-00	858 G	2014-09-26 23:00:00	2014-09-26 21:09:23	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-25-23-00	858 G	2014-09-25 23:00:00	2014-09-25 19:09:28	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-24-23-00	857 G	2014-09-24 23:00:00	2014-09-24 19:09:45	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-23-23-00	857 G	2014-09-23 23:00:00	2014-09-23 19:09:47	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-22-23-00	857 G	2014-09-22 23:00:00	2014-09-22 19:09:53	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-21-23-00	857 G	2014-09-21 23:00:00	2014-09-21 19:09:46	OK
/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-20-23-00	857 G	2014-09-20 23:00:00	2014-09-20 19:09:38	OK
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/zbackup/ORCL10-2014-09-18-23-00	857 G	2014-09-18 23:00:00	2014-09-18 19:09:50	OK
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**Details** [X]

**Resource is OFFLINE**

Target:

Point-in-Time:

Log Level:

Log Files: [alert\\_pthibis.log](#), [bks\\_task\\_pthibis.log](#)



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### Details

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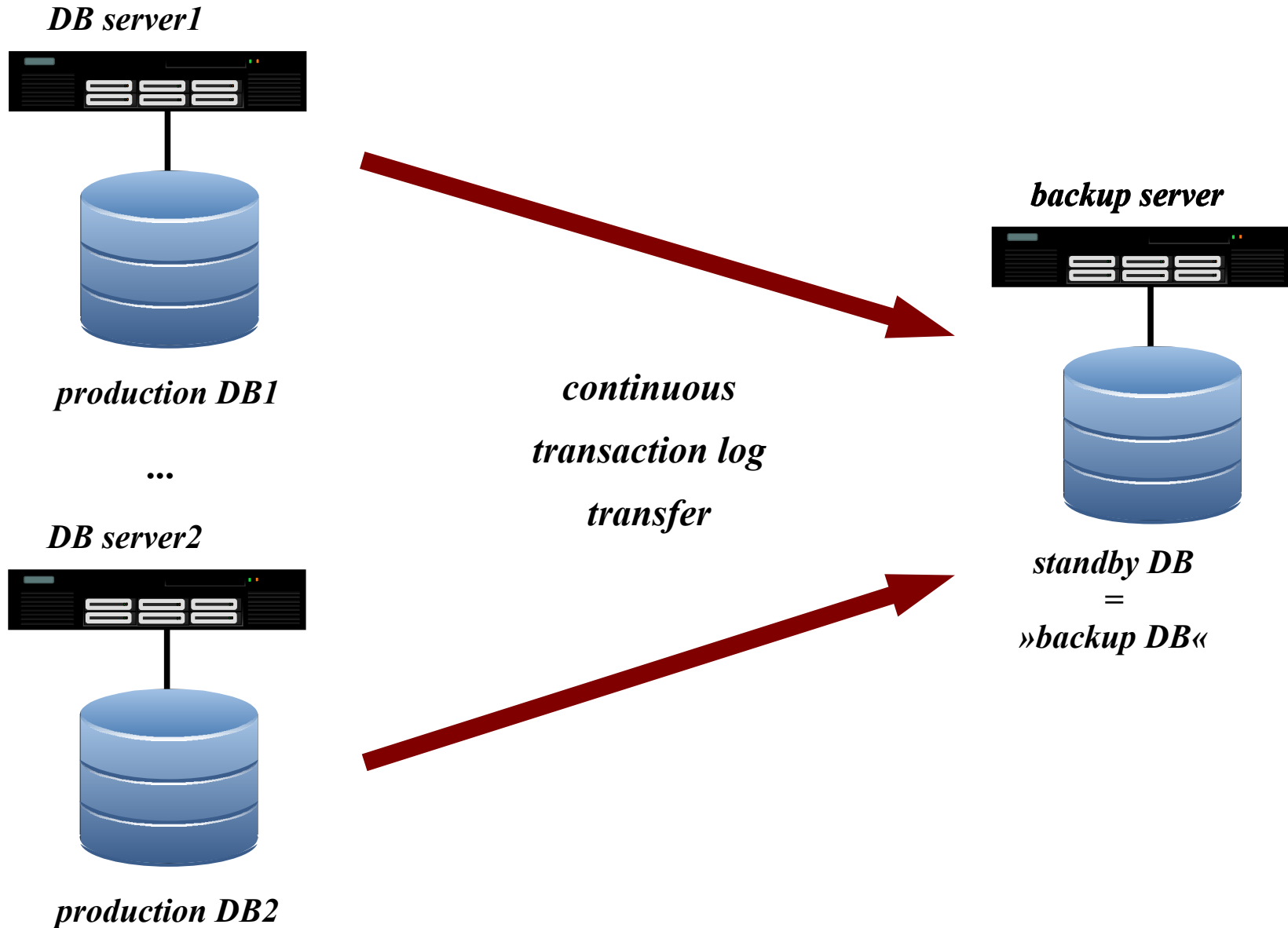
Point-in-Time	2014-08-24-19-08-54
Simple Connect String	//backup.hlon.local:1521/pthibis
TNS Block	<pre>ORCL10_BACKUP = (DESCRIPTION =   (ADDRESS =     (PROTOCOL = TCP)     (HOST = backup.hlon.local)     (PORT = 1521))   (CONNECT_DATA =     (SERVICE_NAME = pthibis)   ) )</pre>
Log Level	INFO

Close Database

Log Files: [alert\\_pthibis.log](#), [bks\\_task\\_pthibis.log](#)



# Backup server: behind the scenes

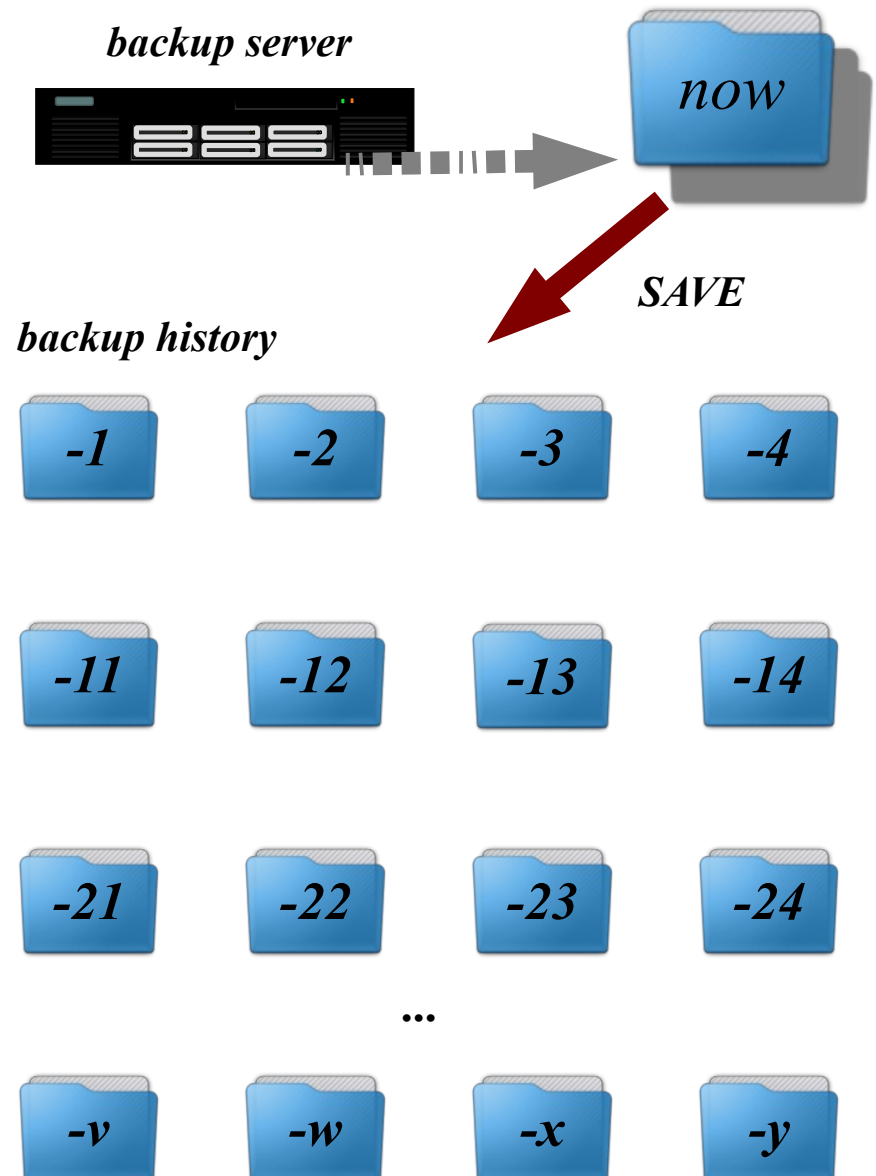






# ... and history

- snapshot
- save snapshot
- Time and resources are consumed exclusively on backup server
- Backup occupies a lot of disk space !?





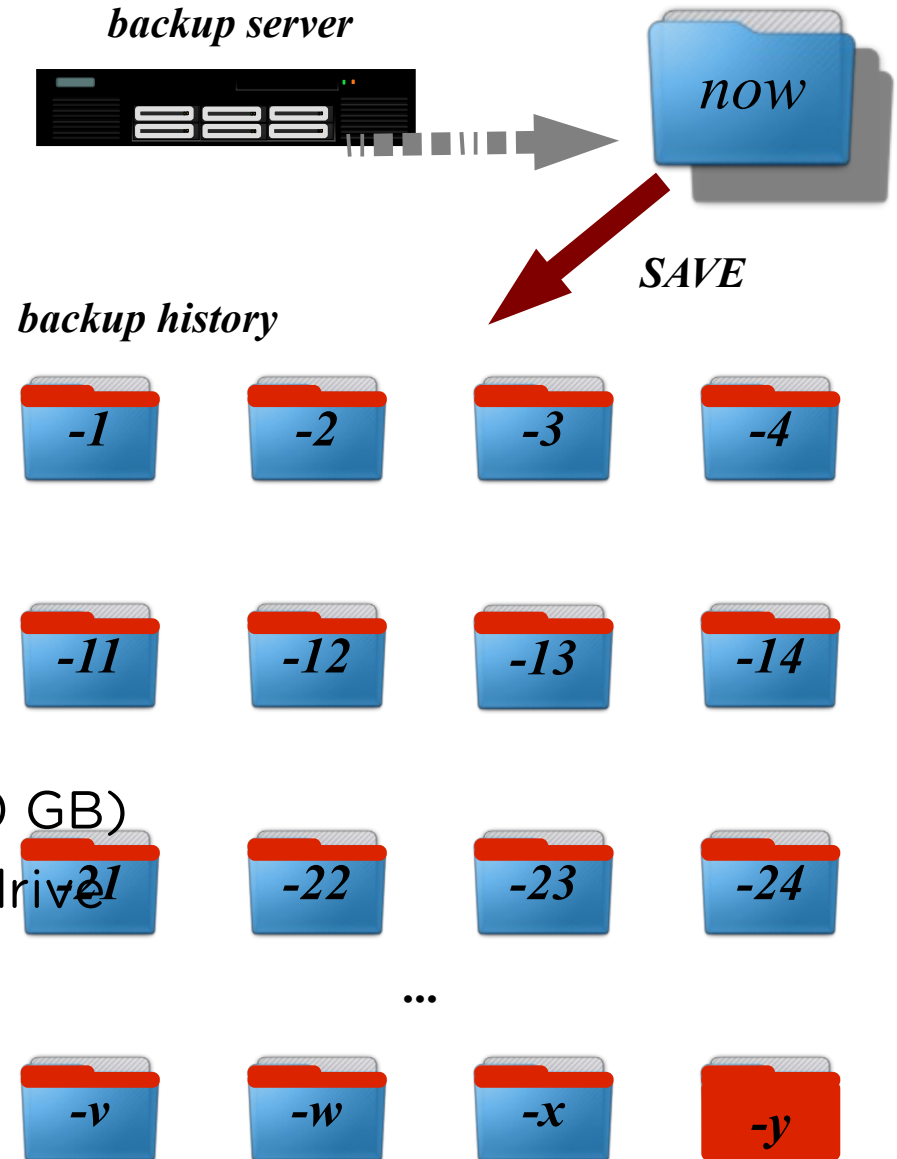
# ... and (almost) no disk space

... by using data deduplication

- snapshot
- save snapshot **to deduplicated area**

Example:

- DB size 1 TB
- 1% changed/added data per day (~10 GB)
- ~200 days backup fits on 3 TB disk drive





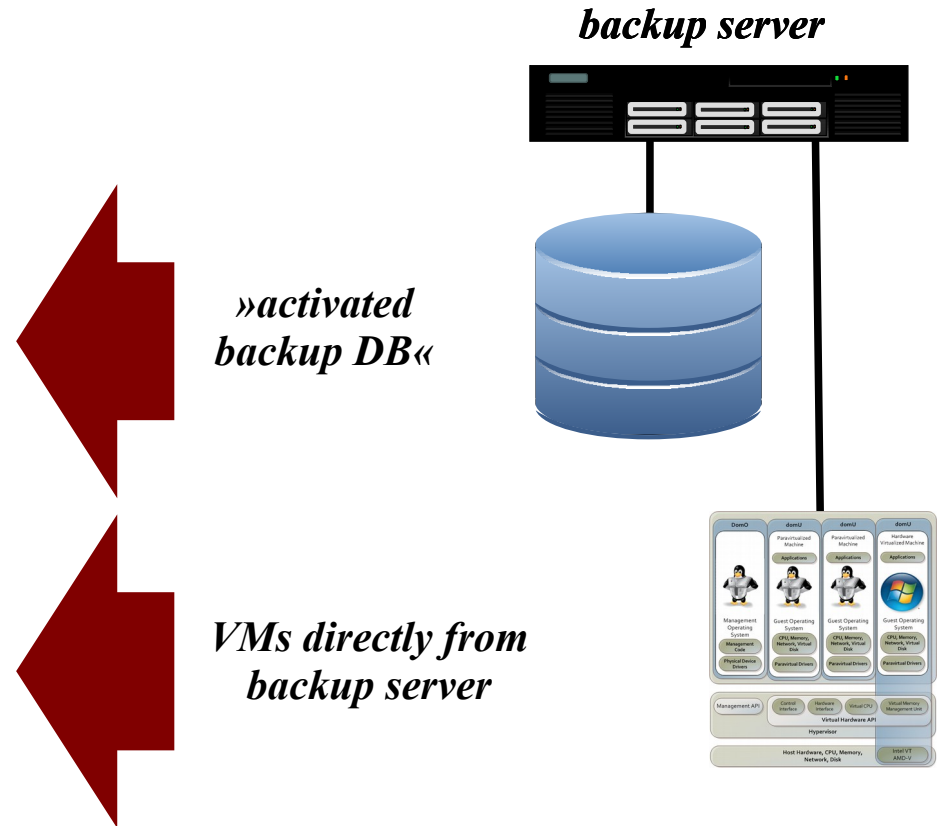
# Recovery in no time – scenario 1

## Recovery as a Service (RaaS)

- services are offered directly from the backup server

**BACK IN BUSINESS  
IN NO TIME!\***

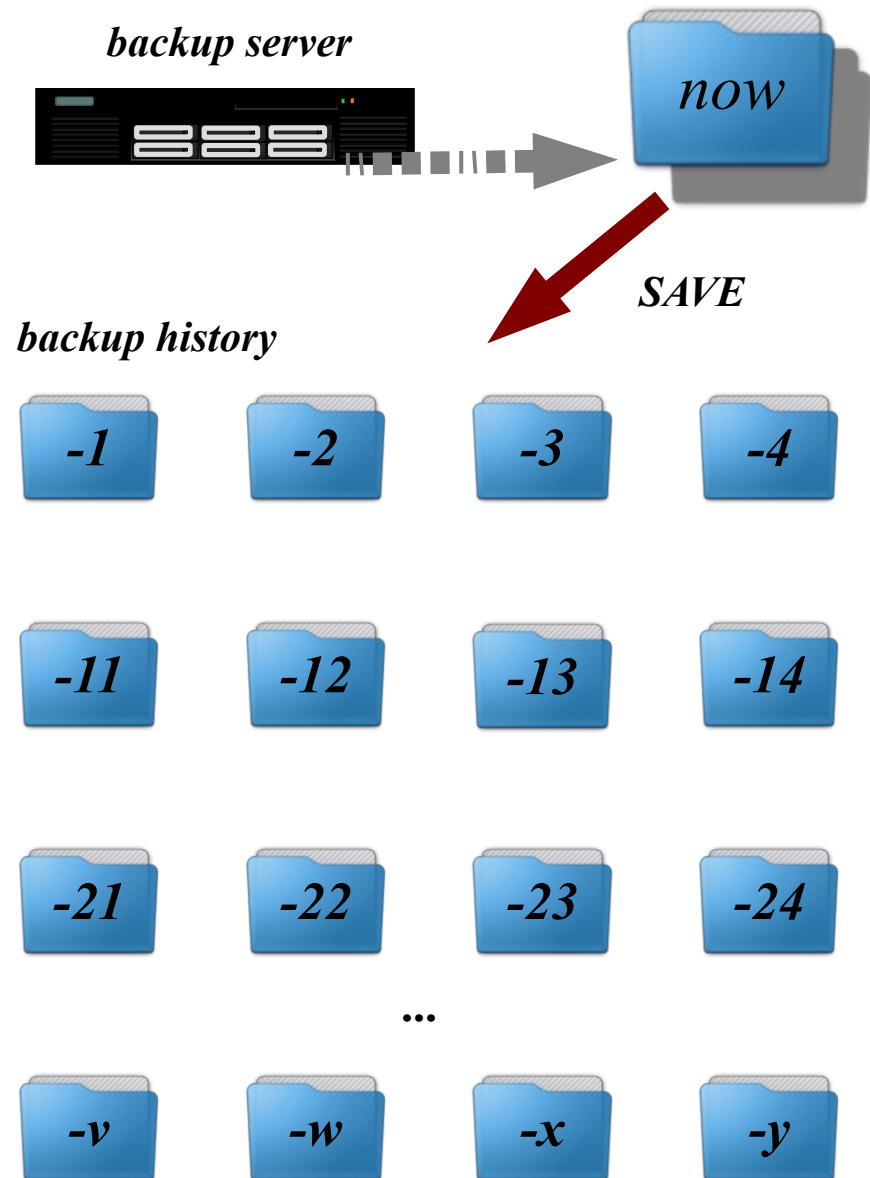
\* real restore in more appropriate time





# Alternative use

- BI – business analysis purposes and reporting
- testing upgrade
- development & test

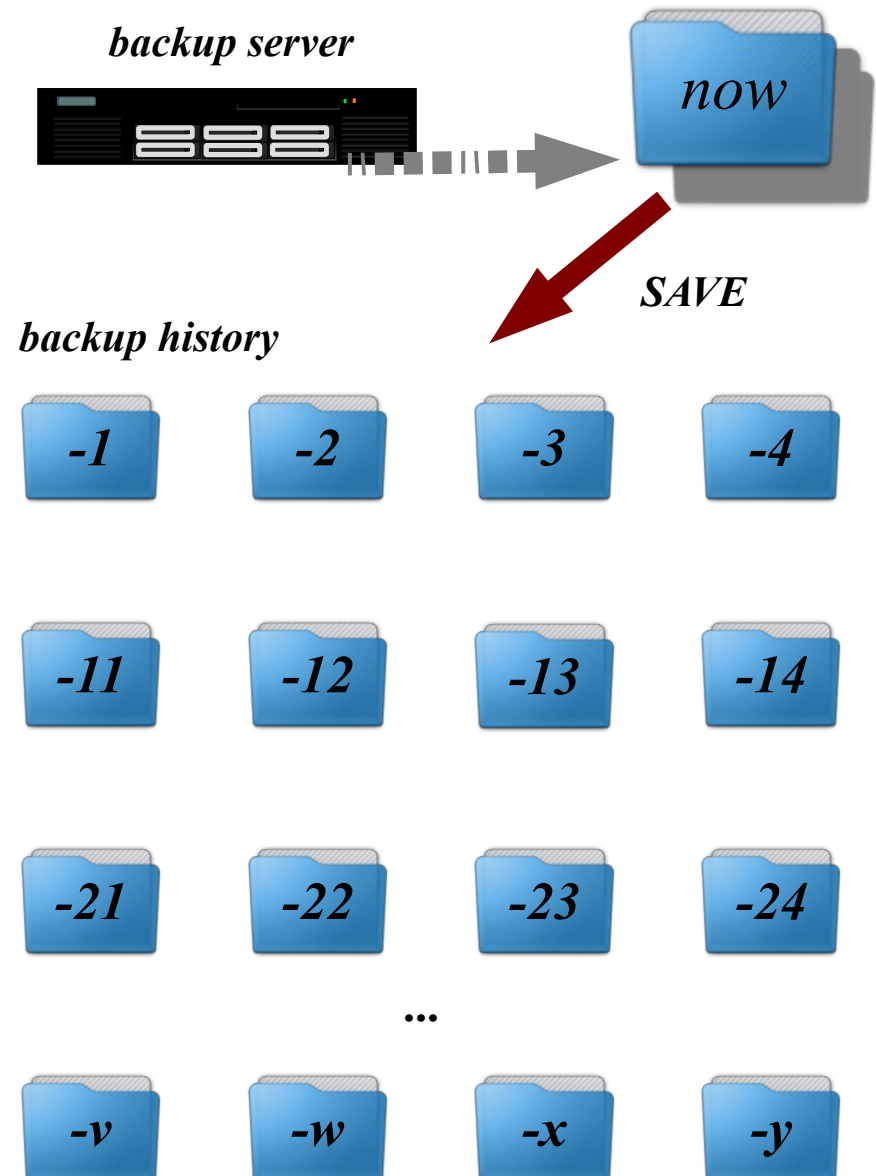


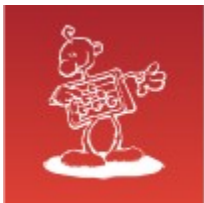
»activated backup DB«



# Sources

- Oracle databases
- virtual machines
- SANs
- servers
- clients
- databases
- ...





# Space utilization

## Bank

- Everyday backups.
- 6 databases, largest 13 TB.
- Total disk capacity 60 TB.
- Total saved since jun 2015: 380 TB.





# The solution

- **Backup server & Deja Vu**
- Fast data provisioning in continuous delivery.
- Faster development and accurate testing.
- Fast and accurate debugging.
- Reduces IT cost.



ORA-03113: end-of-file on communication channel

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