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### **On benchmarking - or: new Netapp benchmark**

Okay, very impressive number: 1.000.000 operation per second. But look at the bill of material: 24 Filerheads, not the small one, the NetApp 6040 is one of the bigbadass machines, 768 Gigabytes of Cache, 48 GB NVRAM, 1152 Harddisks. Does anybody uses really a environment like this? It's seems to me like using an SF25K for fileserving. This is the nature of benchmarking. It's not a matter of being realistic of realistic workloads, it's a expression of the fine art of understanding and outsmart a benchmark to make a marketing statement.

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