

20 years of AFS service

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Almost 20 years ago, the AFS service was born at CERN alongside a paradigm shift away from mainframe computing towards clusters. The scalable and manageable networked file system offered easy, ubiquitous access to files and greatly contributed to making this shift a success. Take a look back, with a smile rather than raised eyebrows, at how pre-Linux, pre-iPad, MegaByte and Megahertz technology faced the headwind of technological evolution and adapted over decades: AFS did a good job and continues to defeat, not always best in class but usually flexible.

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