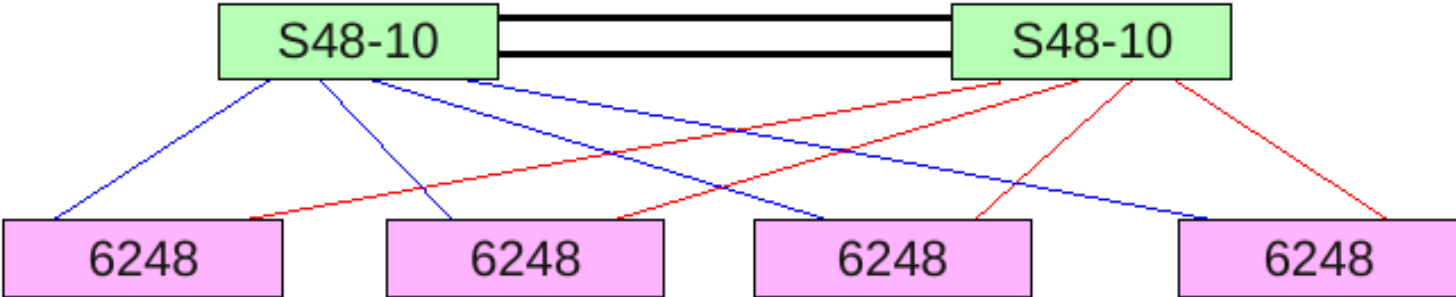
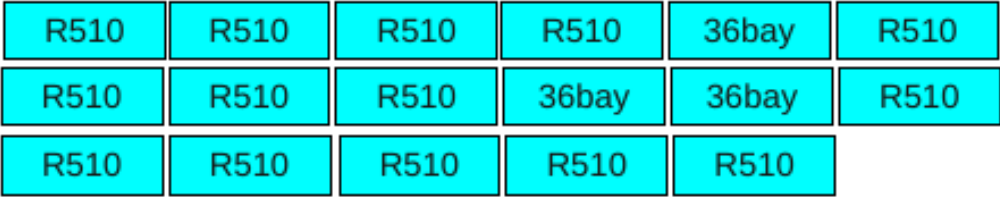


Networking upgrades



1Gbit devices

Recent Worker node generations

- Dell C6100s
 - Four motherboards in 2U, each 2x 6core Intels
- Dell C6145s
 - Two motherboards in 2U, each 4x 16core AMD Opterons.
- Viglen Twin-squared
 - Four motherboards in 2U, each 2x 8core SandyBridge Intels
- Notably not – Dell C6220s, similar to above, but more expensive

Recent storage node generations

- Viglen 24 bay boxes (24x2TB)
- Viglen 36 bay boxes (36x2TB)
 - Initially 6x 1Gbit ethernet, now 1x 10Gbit
 - Bit slow for the load, possibly because there were only three
- Dell R510
 - 12x disks, each 3TB, each has a RAID controller and a 10Gbit ethernet interface. Sadly discontinued.
- Dell R720XD
 - Don't actually have them yet. Current near equivalent of the above. We've managed to get the price comparable by trimming the CPU back to a single quad-core.

General points

- We're not entirely sure how fast the grid storage can go, but we've seen it do ~4TB/second under a real workload, but it's usually up to about 1TB/second
- Current generation worker nodes don't need 10GBit ethernet, but we have it on the 64-core machines