



Hyperconverged Infrastructure Use Cases and Buyer's Guide



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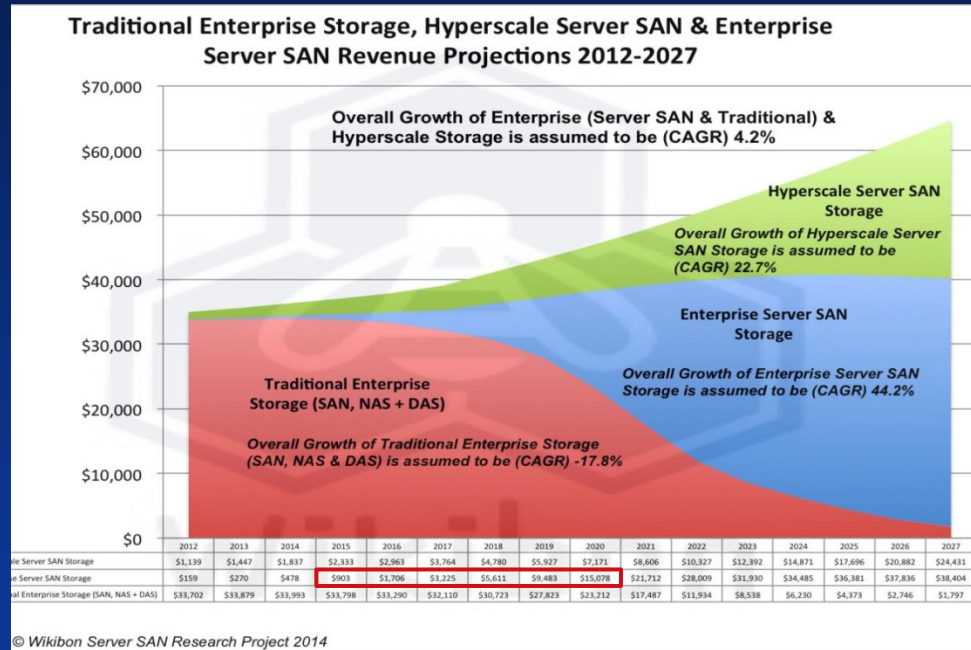
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Hyper-converged is growing quickly

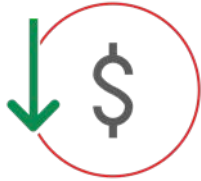
- Strong market forecasts for Integrated Systems (converged & hyper-converged)
 - 50% yearly by Gartner
 - 33% yearly by IDC

- 45% of respondents are evaluating the deployment of hyper-converged systems

- Market is rapidly moving away from traditional storage arrays



Hyper-converged Use Cases



Infrastructure
Efficiency &
Consolidation

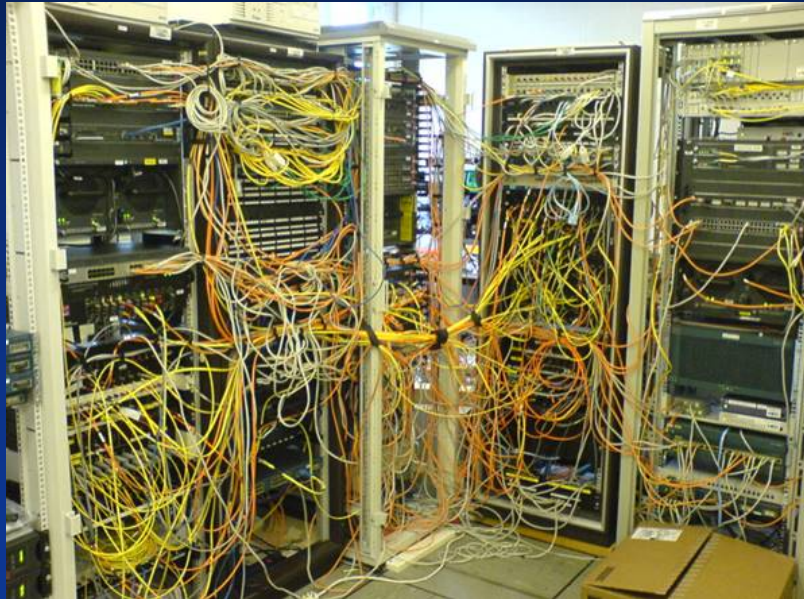


Latency-sensitive,
Virtualized
Databases /
Applications



Remote Office /
Branch Office
(ROBO)

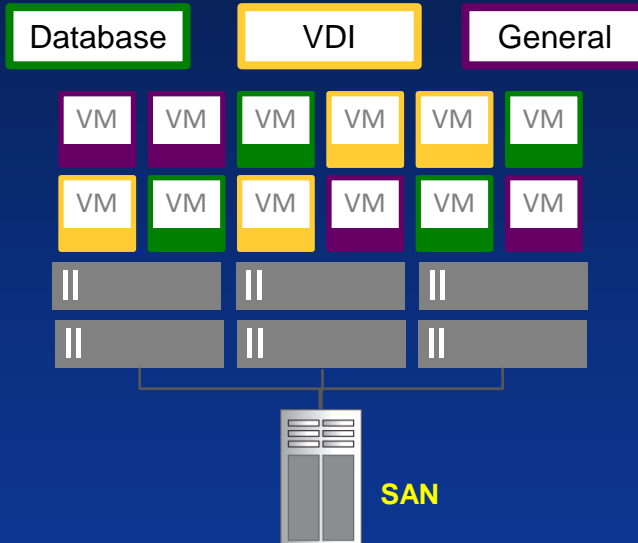
Infrastructure Efficiency & Consolidation



Challenges

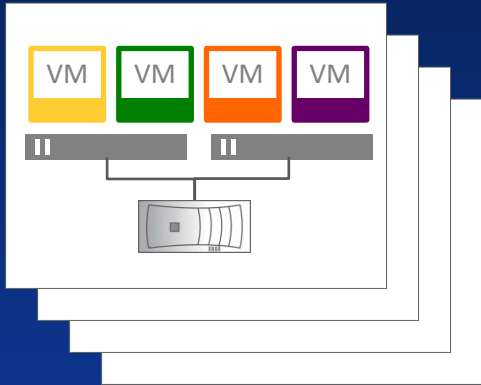
- Inadequate performance
- Inefficient usage
- Difficult to manage heterogeneous infrastructure
 - ▶ Multiple fabrics (FC, FCoE, iSCSI, Ethernet)
 - ▶ Variety of vendors, models and management consoles
 - ▶ Multiples “silos” to manage

Virtualized Applications Clusters



Challenges

- Inconsistent performance due to mixed workloads
- Inability to scale I/O performance
- Storage is a single point of failure



Site 1



Site n

Challenges

- Costs need to remain low
- Availability is a challenge
- Storage is typically low-end; single point of failure

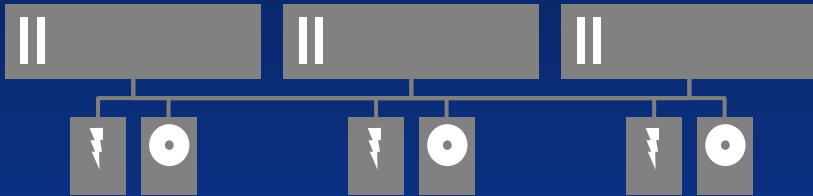
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Not all Hyper-converged is Enterprise-class

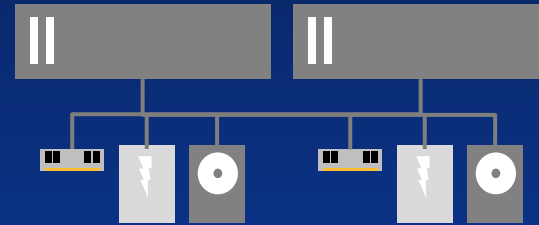
- **Performance**
 - Performance and response times not suitable for critical applications
 - Fibre Channel flexibility not supported by hyper-converged
- **Availability**
 - More and more “boxes” needed
- **Total Cost of Ownership**
 - Limited options for scaling
 - Restricted Choice
 - Silo'ed Infrastructure

Performance: I/O Acceleration

Cluster Architecture*



Grid Architecture



*Better Performance: RAM 10x faster vs Flash
Lower Hardware Costs: Flash is optional*

* Consider impact on performance when a node fails



Performance Benchmark: SPC is a Database I/O Workload

Criteria	SPC Benchmark
Industry Standard	✓
Independently Verified & Audited	✓
Peer Reviewed	✓
Covers different types & generations of technology	✓
Maps to “real world” performance (OLTP databases)	✓
Shows cost for achieving performance level	✓

Enterprise Vendors run SPC Benchmarks



1st Hyper-converged product to run SPC 3X or better on price performance!

DATACORE'S SPC-1 PRICE-PERFORMANCE™ WORLD RECORD RESULTS!

PERFORMANCE

459,290.87

SPC-1 IOPS™ in 2U



**Smallest
Footprint**

PRICE-PERFORMANCE

\$0.08

Per SPC-1 IOPS™



**Lowest Cost,
Maximum I/O**

RESPONSE TIME

0.32

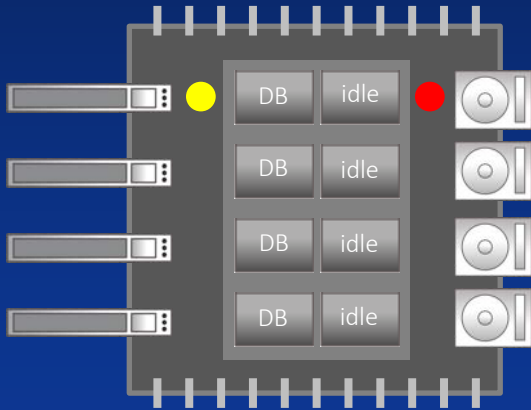
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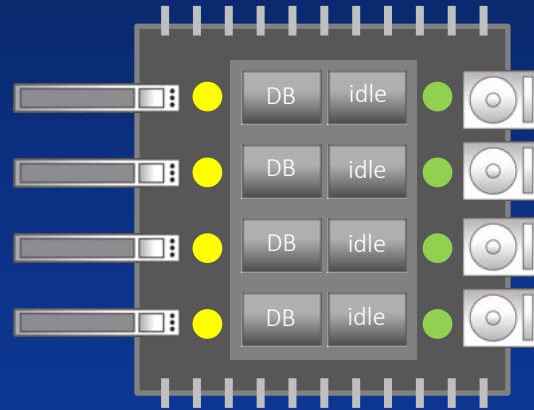
**Ultra Fast
Applications**

DATACORE PARALLEL I/O TECHNOLOGY

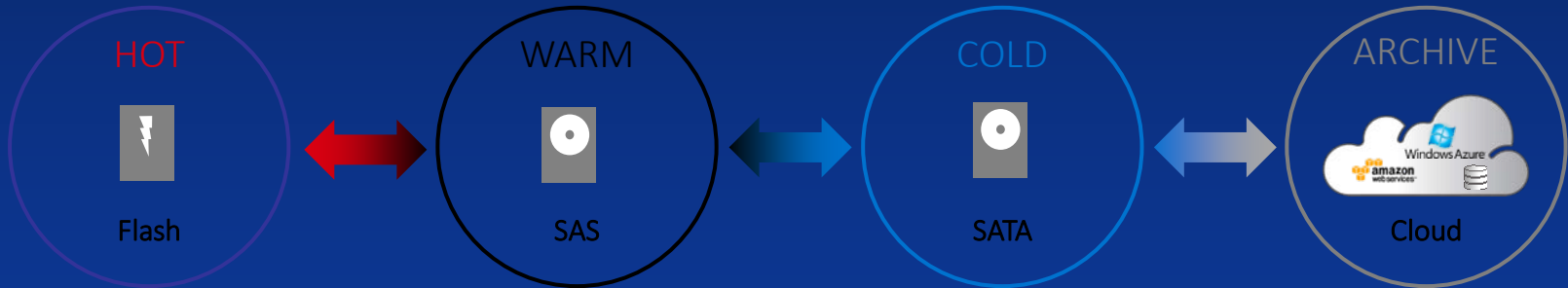
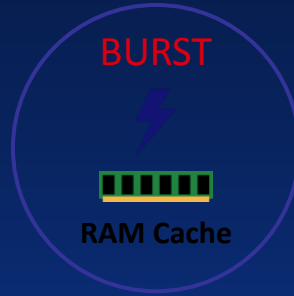
WITHOUT PARALLEL I/O
I/O processed sequentially...



WITH PARALLEL I/O
I/O processed in parallel...



DATA IS CACHED AND TIERED



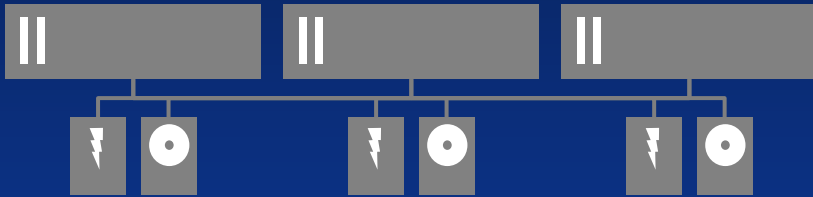
More Active Data Placed on
Faster Storage



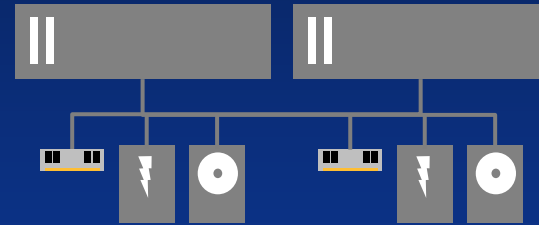
Less Active Data Placed on
Slower Storage

High Availability: 3 vs 2 nodes

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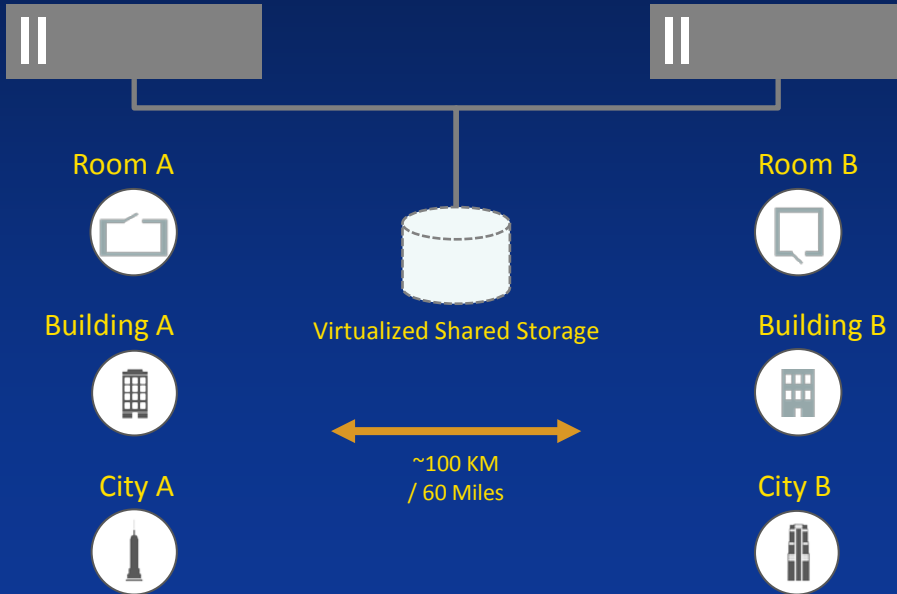


Lower Hardware Investment

* Is a quorum / witness node (even as a VM) needed?

High Availability: Stretch Clusters

Stretch Cluster Deployment



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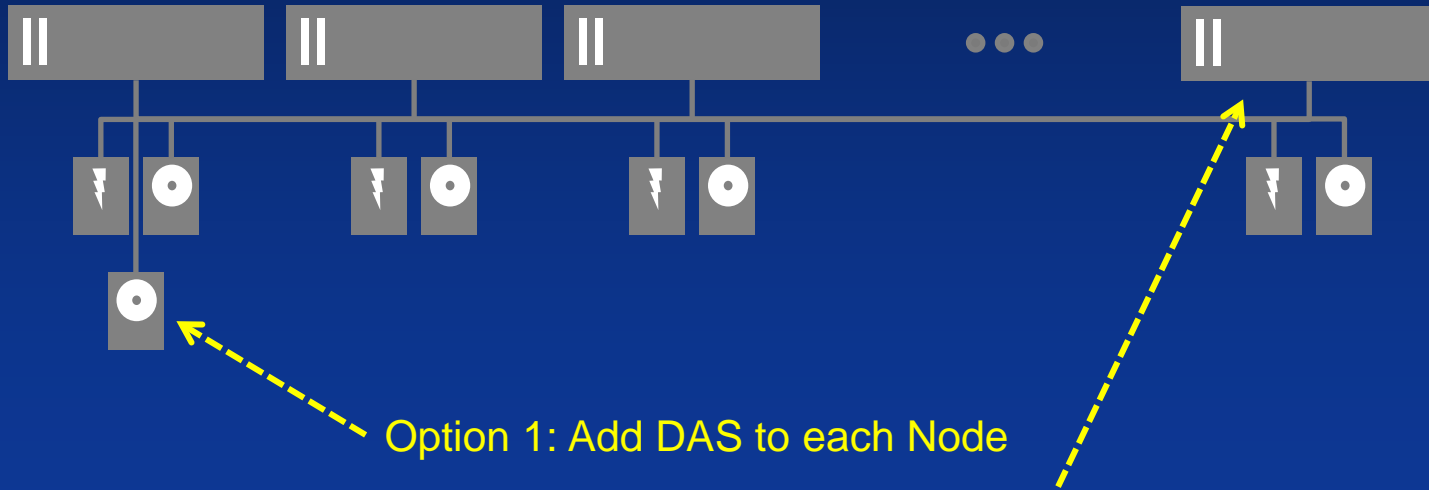


Better Availability & Resiliency



TCO: Growth of Storage Capacity:

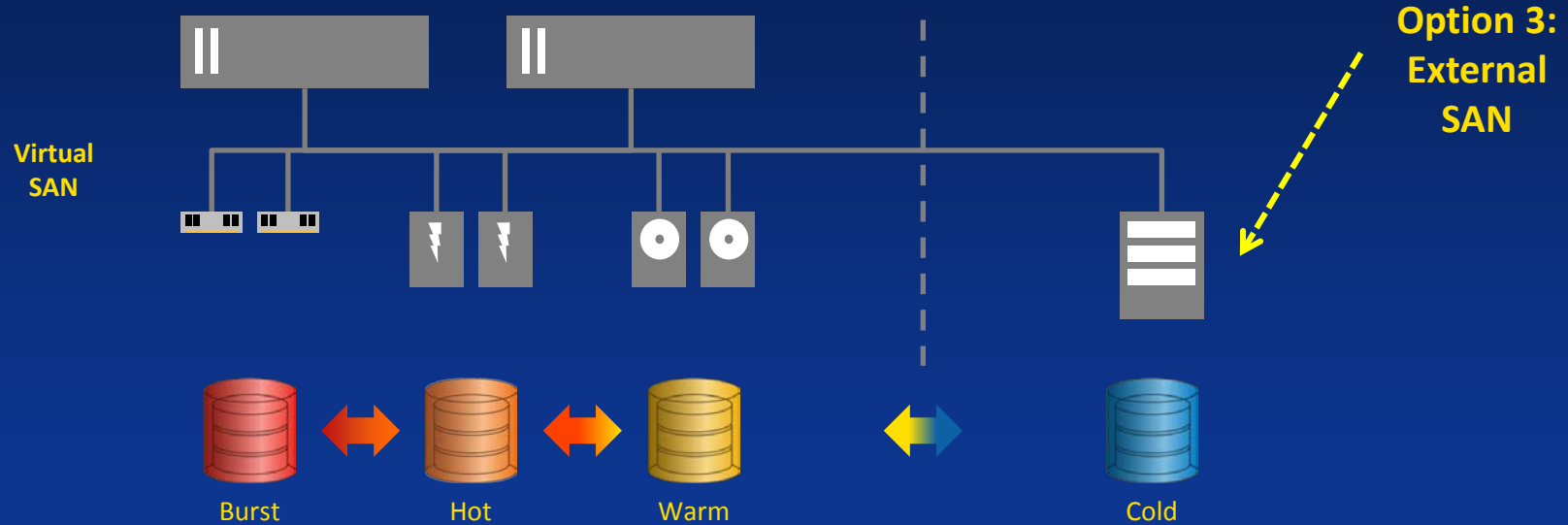
VMware VSAN Cluster



Option 1: Add DAS to each Node

Option 2: Add Nodes (compute & storage)

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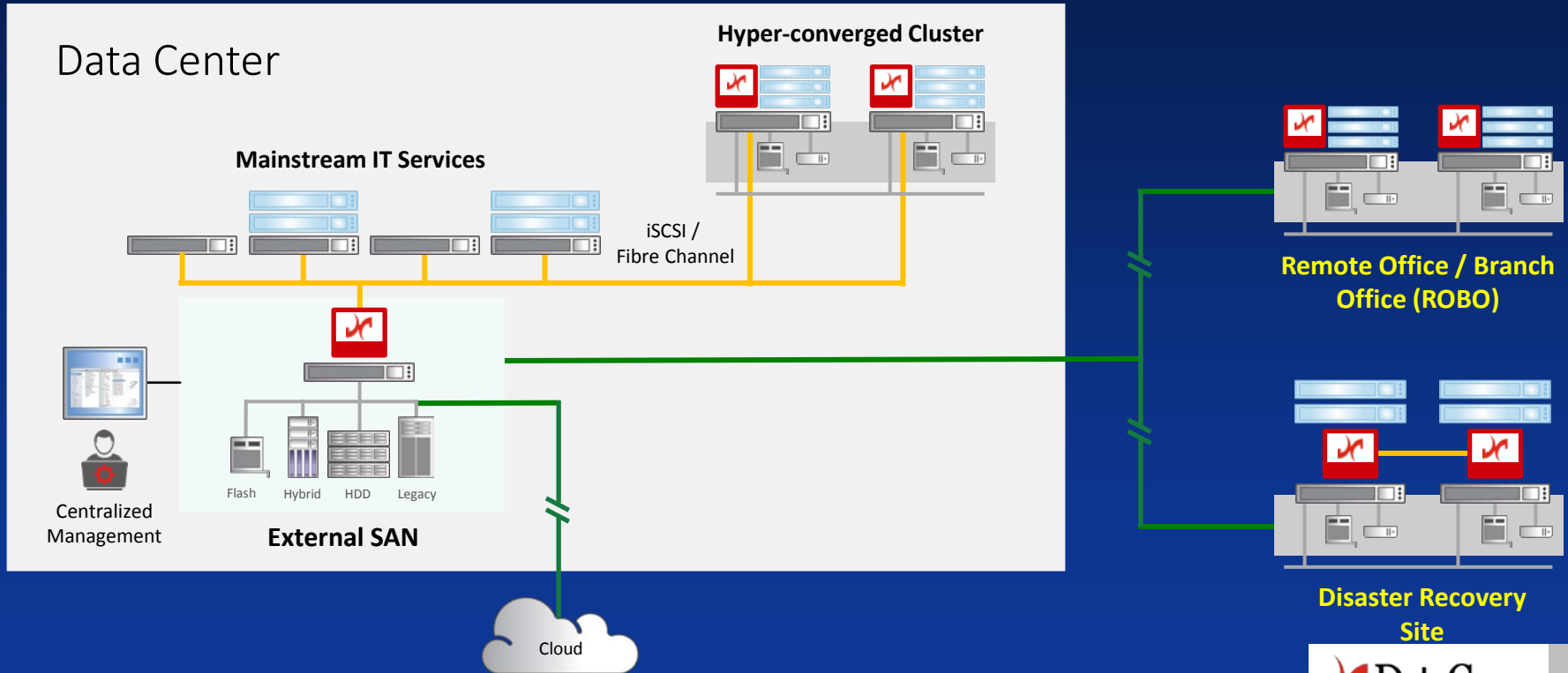


Lower Hardware Costs; Capacity added as needed

TCO: Deployment Options

	DataCore Virtual SAN	Nutanix	Simplivity	VMware VSAN
Flexible hardware model	✓			✓
Multi-hypervisor Support	✓	✓		
Non-virtualized Support	✓			

TCO: Integrated Enterprise-wide Solution



DataCore TCO Summary

Key Criteria	DataCore Virtual SAN
RAM for I/O Acceleration	✓
2 nodes for High Availability	✓
2 nodes for Stretch Cluster	✓
Scale out storage capacity independent of compute	✓
One management platform across storage infrastructure	✓
One set of services across all storage devices	✓
Support for Multi-hypervisor & Non-virtual environments	✓
Hardware independent	✓

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Case Study 1 – ROBO

Background

- Large restaurant chain with over 1,000 locations
- All key applications run locally
 - Point of sale, order scheduling, etc
- Application downtime meant temporary site closure
 - Loss of revenue and poor customer satisfaction

Requirement

- Lowest cost infrastructure for high availability



Reasons for Selecting DataCore Virtual SAN

Lowest TCO

- Only 2 servers for HA per location
- RAM provides I/O acceleration so Flash is optional
- Runs natively in Windows Hyper-V, requiring one less Windows license

Easy Management

- Automated deployment with software deployment wizards
- Integrates with Microsoft System Center
- Extensive instrumentation for centralized monitoring

Case Study 2 – Application Cluster

Background

- Mid-sized Hospital
- Virtualizing PBX (voice communications)
 - 12 physical servers -> 12 VMs

Requirements

- Reliable performance, as voice communication is a Tier 1 application
- Physical storage and compute footprint across 2 separate buildings (geographically separated) for high availability

Comparing VMware VSAN and DataCore Virtual SAN

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TCO of DataCore Virtual SAN was just 50% of VMware VSAN

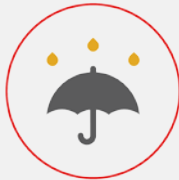
DataCore Benefits

DEPLOY FLASH STORAGE



79% improved performance by
3X or more

BC / DR



60% reduced storage-related downtime by
90% of more

STORAGE EXPANSION



82% reduced storage-related spending by
25% or more

STORAGE REFRESH



100% saw a
positive ROI
in the first year

30,000+ Deployments Worldwide

10,000+ Customers

10th Gen Product

Companies in all Industries & Sizes

Market: Software-defined Storage

Technology: Storage Virtualization & Parallel I/O



Main Offices

- Australia
- Germany
- France
- Japan
- UK
- USA



Thank You



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