ExaGrid

Stress-free backup storage







About ExaGrid

ExaGrid

- Largest independent vendor in the space
- Only "Visionary" in the 2015 Gartner Magic Quadrant

100% focused on disk-based backup

- Highly differentiated architecture
- Winner of the most industry awards

Large customer base

- Over 10,000 systems installed worldwide
- Over 300 published customer success stories











Gartner Magic Quadrant

Figure 1. Magic Quadrant for Deduplication Backup Target Appliances



Source: Gartner (September 2015)



"Product of the Year – Backup Hardware"



ExaGrid takes top Gold award Judged by Storage magazine as best storage appliance across five categories:

- Performance
- Ease of integration and use
- Manageability
- Functionality
- Value



Industry Recognition

2014 - 2016



ExaGrid Named" Visionary" in the 2014 Magic Quadrant for Disk Backup with Deduplication





Disk Based Product of the Year: Small/Mid-range









2011 - 2013







"Best Value for Money" "One to Watch"









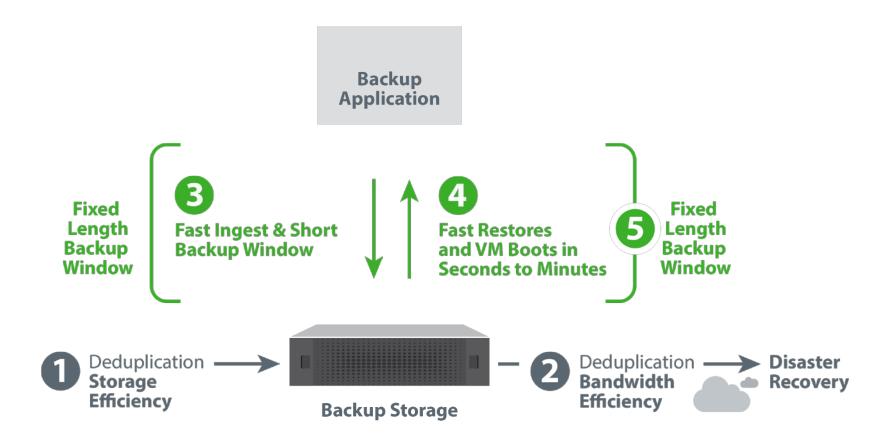


ExaGrid Named 2013 "Disk Backup Champion"



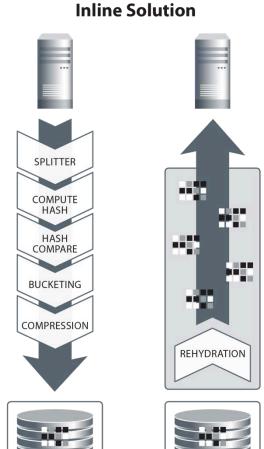


5 Considerations of Data Deduplication





Inline Scale-up Appliances Fall Short



Inline deduplication on the way to disk

- Slower ingest
- Longer backup window

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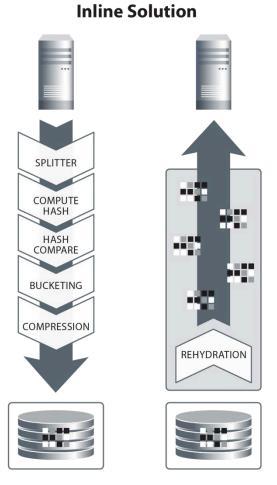
Slow restores, VM boots & tape copies

As data grows, only disk is added

- Backup window grows as data grows
- Ultimately forces a costly forklift upgrade



Backup Application Inline Deduplication to Disk



Inline deduplication in the media server

- Slower ingest
- Longer backup window
- Can only deduplicate native backup data

All data is stored in a deduplicated form

Slow restores, VM boots & tape copies

Deduplication ratios are low

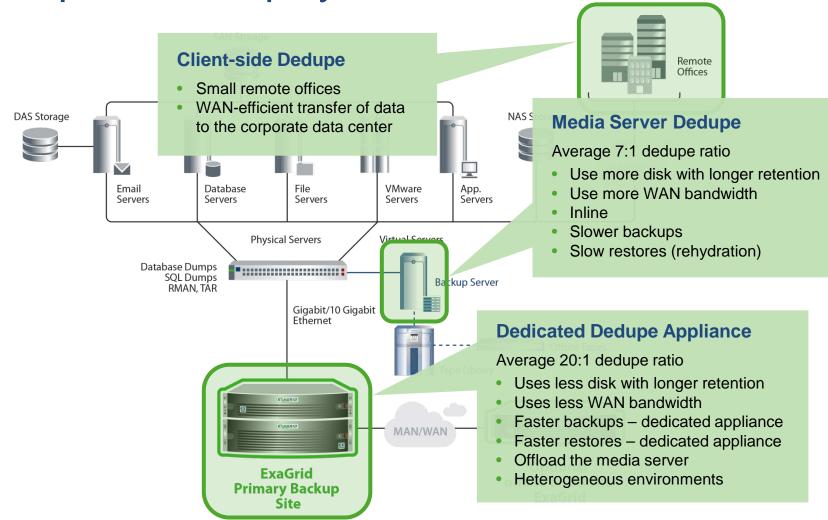
- Uses more disk than target appliances
- Uses more bandwidth to replicate

Limited scalability

Backup window grows as data grows

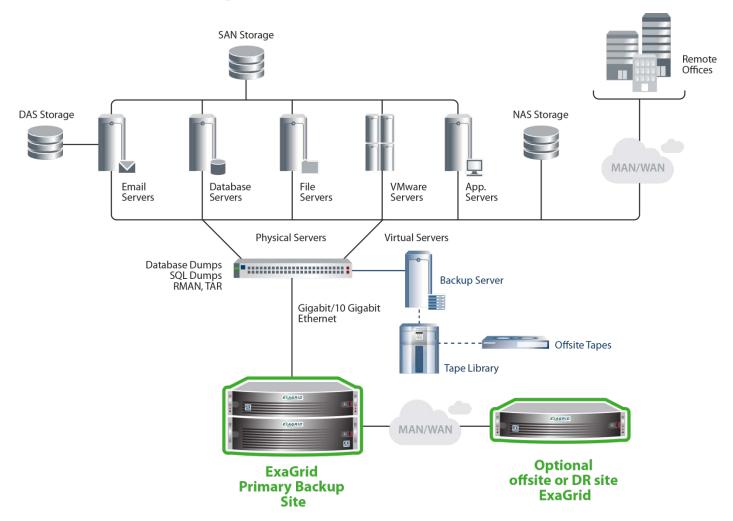


Deduplication Deployment Scenarios



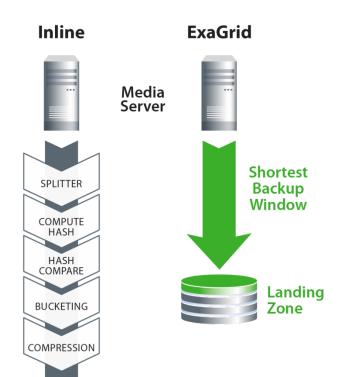


ExaGrid – Simple and Flexible





Fastest Backups and Shortest Backup Window



Unique landing zone

- Write backups directly to disk
- Avoid compute-intensive deduplication
- Adaptive deduplication

Benefits

- No inline processes to slow backups
- Fastest backups
- Shortest possible backup window
- Strong offsite RPO



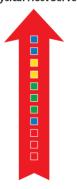
Fast Restores, VM Boots in Seconds to Minutes















Other Disk Backup Appliances



Landing Zone

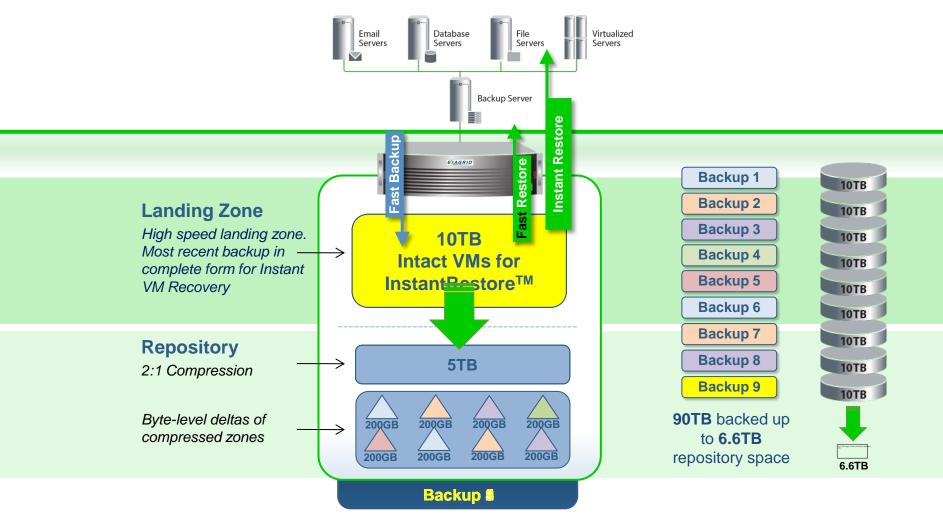
- Most recent backups are in an undeduplicated form
- Eliminates data rehydration

Benefits

- Restores as fast as disk
- Tape copies as fast as disk
- VM boots in seconds to minutes.



Advanced Architecture for Instant Recovery



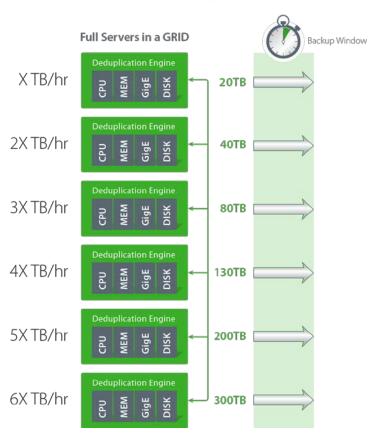


Fixed Length Backup Window

Scale-Up Architecture

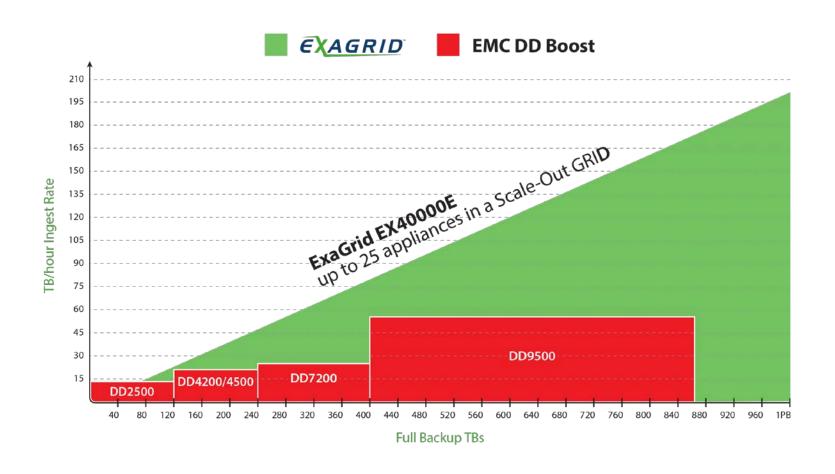
Single Front-End Controller Backup Window **20TB** XTB/hr **40TB** DISK XTB/hr **80TB** DISK XTB/hr 130TB DISK XTB/hr 200TB XTB/hr 300TB DISK

ExaGrid Scale-Out GRID Architecture





Ingest Performance of Scale-Out vs Scale-Up





ExaGrid Appliances in a Scalable GRID

25 Appliances in a Scale-Out GRID (One Petabyte Full Backup)

ExaGrid Model	Usable Capacity (TB)	Capacity for Weekly Fulls (TB)	Max Backup Throughput (TB/hr)	
EX2000	4	2	0.36	
EX3000	6	3	0.72	
EX5000	10	5	1.08	
EX7000	14	7	2.40	
EX10000E	20	10	2.40	
EX13000E	26	13	2.40	
EX21000E	44	21	4.32	
EX32000E	63	32	7.56	
EX40000E	78	40	8.00	

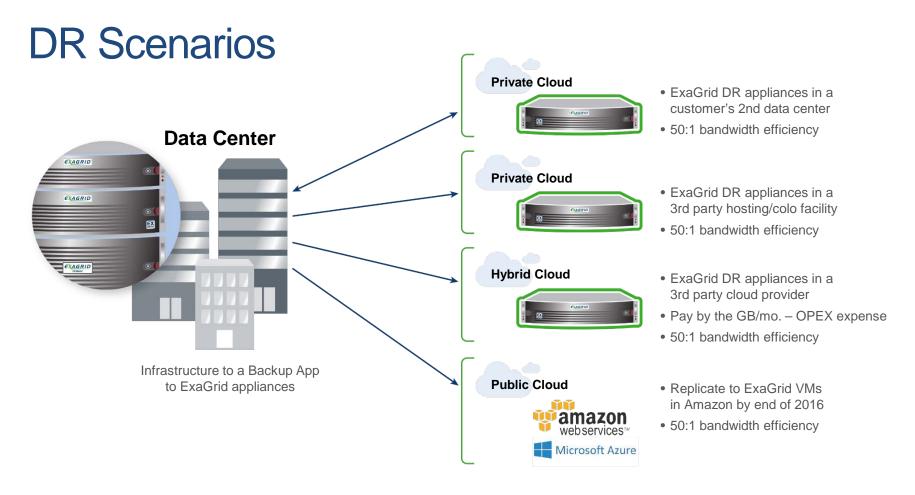


Technical Specifications

ExaGrid Model	EX2000	EX3000	EX5000	EX7000 / -SEC	EX10000E / - SEC	EX13000E / -SEC	EX21000E/-SEC	EX32000E / -SEC	EX40000E/-SEC
Chassis	2U	2U	2U	2U	3U	3U	3U	4U	3U
Full Backup	2TB	зтв	5TB	7ТВ	10TB	13TB	21TB	32TB	40TB
Disks	7	9	8	10	13	16	14	24	16
Disk Size	1TB	1TB	2TB	2TB	2TB	2TB	4TB	ЗТВ	6TB
Memory	8 GiB	8 GiB	8 GiB	8 GiB	16 GiB	16 GiB	32 GiB	32 GiB	64 GiB
CPUs / Cores	1 CPU 4 cores	1 CPU 4 cores	1 CPU 4 hyper- threaded cores	1 CPU 4 hyper- threaded cores	1 CPU 4 hyper- threaded cores	1 CPU 4 hyper- threaded cores	1 CPU 4 hyper- threaded cores	1 CPU 4 hyper- threaded cores	1 CPU 4 hyper- threaded cores
NIC Ports	Two 1GbE	Four 1GbE and two optional 10GbE	Four 1GbE and two optional 10GbE			Six 1GbE and optionally replace two 1GbE with two 10GbE	Six 1GbE and optionally replace two 1GbE with two 10GbE	Six 1GbE and optionally replace two 1GbE with two 10GbE	Six 1GbE and optionally replace two 1GbE with two 10GbE or two 40GbE

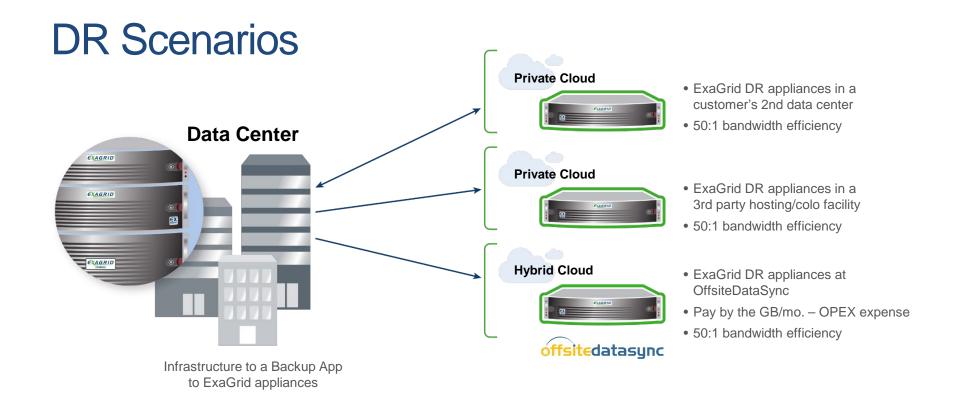
All Servers: Intel processors / Enterprise SATA drives (SAS drives for EX21000E, EX32000E, and EX40000E; FIPS-2 compliant SAS drives for all -SEC systems) / RAID 6 with hot spare / Redundant fans / Redundant power supplies / ExaGrid software / 19-inch rack-mount chassis





- Adaptive deduplication deduplicates and replicates in parallel
- Configure the disaster recovery site to all repository to save cost
- Bandwidth throttle and WAN encryption for data replication

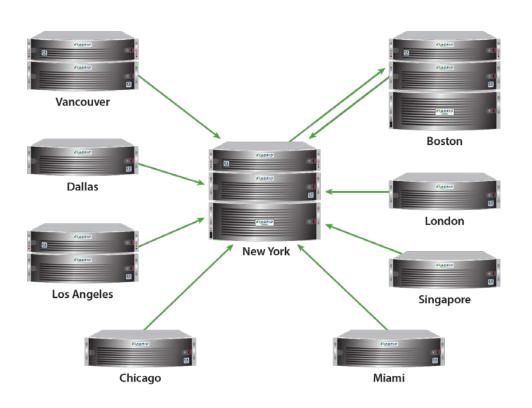




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Multi-site Data Center Disk Backup Topology

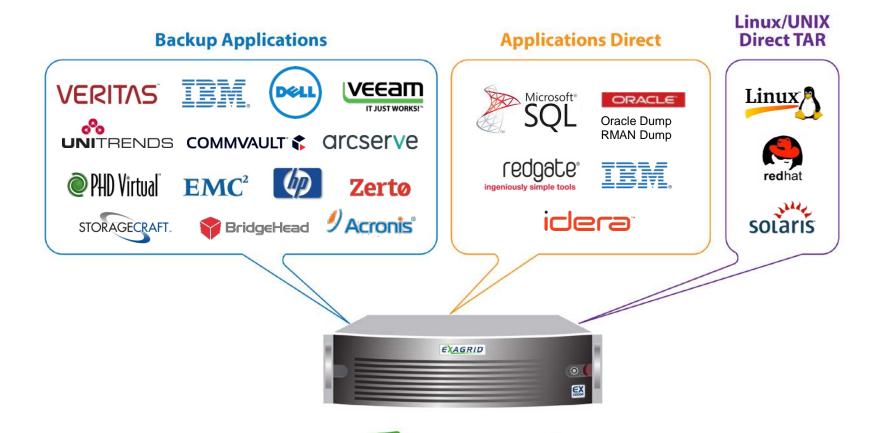


Multi-site Architecture

- 16 locations in a single group - spoke and hub
- 50:1 WAN efficiency across all sites
- Management from single UI
- Cross-site protection between sites
- Consolidated DR copies of backup reduces costs



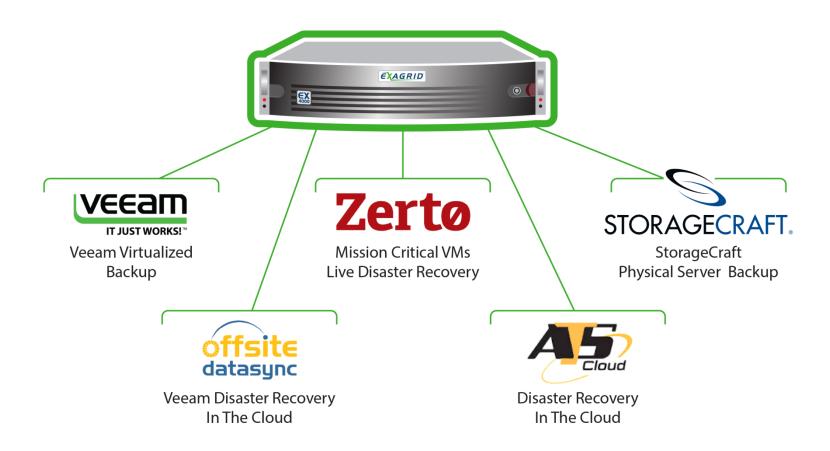
Works in Heterogeneous Environments



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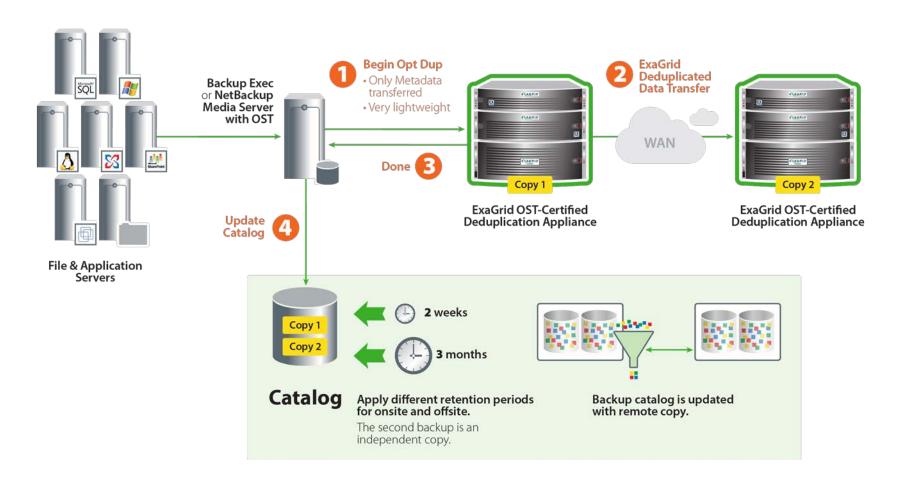


ExaGrid – Ecosystem Partners



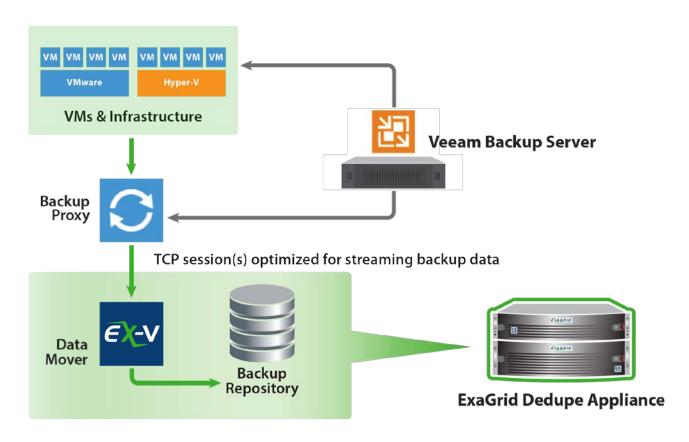


ExaGrid Integration with Symantec OST



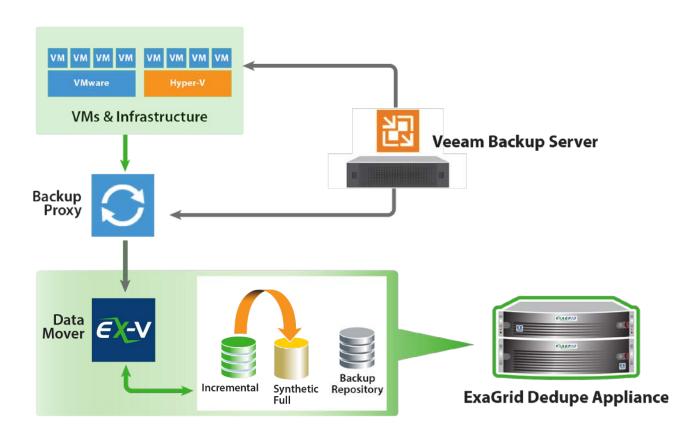


Fastest Veeam Ingest and VM Boots



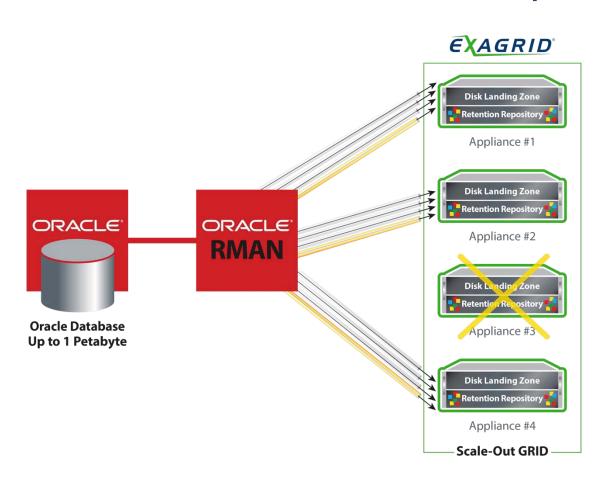


Fastest Recoveries from Veeam Synthetic Fulls





Fastest Oracle RMAN Backups with Failover

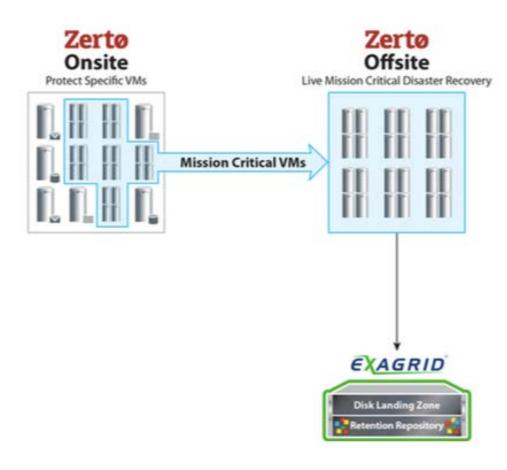


Fast restores, tape copies and VM boots in seconds to minutes

- 1 petabyte database backup in a single system
- Parallel channels for the fastest backups
- RMAN failover if any appliance fails



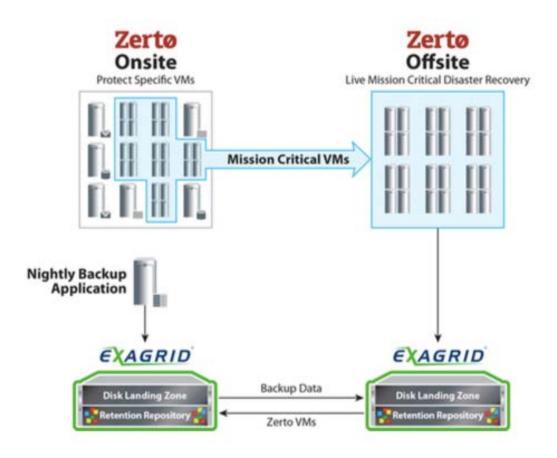
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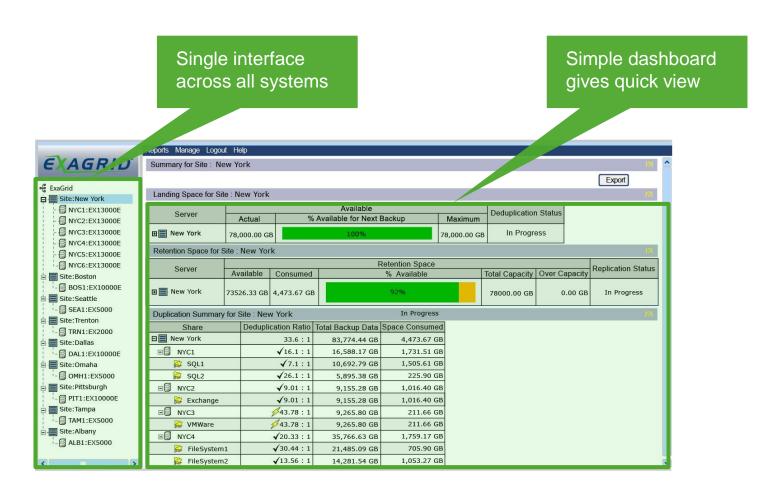
Zerto Offsite Backup to ExaGrid



- Offsite Tier One VMs are:
 - stored on the ExaGrid system for long-term retention
 - replicated back to the primary site ExaGrid system for a second backup copy
- Nightly backup data is backed up at the primary site to the ExaGrid system and replicated offsite for DR

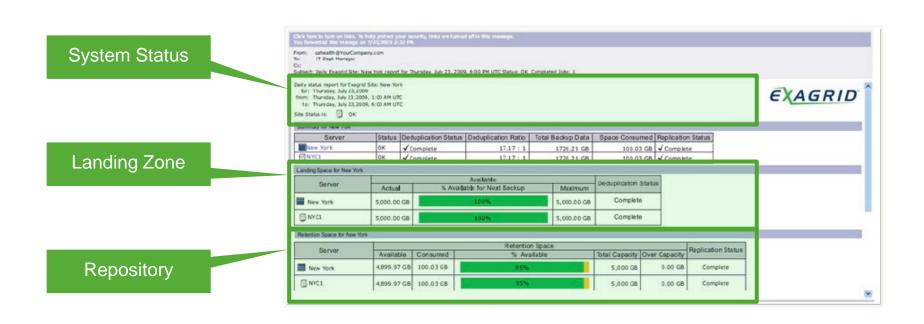


Unified Management Console: ExaGrid Ul





Daily Email Report





Stress-free Redundancy and Security

Redundant Hardware

- RAID6 guards against simultaneous disk drive failures
- Redundant power supplies
- NIC teaming

Security

- Optional data encryption at rest
 - FIPS 140-2 compliant / 256-bit AES
 - Occurs at the drive level in nanoseconds
 - Does not impact backup performance
- WAN encryption for secure data transfer



Personal Touch - Maintenance and Support

Phone and Email Support

- Assigned a level 2 customer support engineer
- Support staff are subject matter experts in backup applications

Customer Installable and Serviceable

- Self-installable with phone support and WebEx
- Self-serviceable hardware replacements, next business day delivery

All Releases Provided

- Point and full releases includes all new features
- No license fees to track or renew

Health Status Monitoring

ExaGrid monitors and notifies



Selected ExaGrid Global Customers

Manufacturing Transportation / Retail























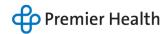




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From Customers who Chose ExaGrid over DD

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Volkswagon Credit

"We tested solutions from both ExaGrid vs. Data Domain side by side and chose the ExaGrid based on its approach to data deduplication and its overall simplicity. The ExaGrid also had the best price/ performance."



Cross Country Homes

ExaGrid and market leader Data Domain both dedupe at the target but Data Domain does inline deduplication, and Matulik decided that ExaGrid's data deduplication appliance was better for his needs, "Our backup windows had to be much smaller. We looked at the best method of doing backup in a smaller window."



Vermont Electric Power

"We compared both systems and chose the ExaGrid based on its price/performance and scalability. Also. ExaGrid's data deduplication technology seemed like a good fit for us and we liked the fact that we could retain our investment in Backup Exec."

ASCENDONE

Ascend One

(former customer of DD)

"From the beginning, the [Data Domain] system wasn't properly sized, so we couldn't back up as much data as we would have liked and performance was poor. We chose the ExaGrid over other solutions for a lot of reasons, not the least of which is the uncomplicated scalability as well as the ability to do replication."



Grow Financial

(former customer of DD)

"In our business, time is money, and downtime can be calculated in losses of thousands of dollars an hour. Ninety-nine percent of the time, we need to restore data from the most recent backup, but with the Data Domain unit. stored data had to be reconstituted, and the recovery process was long and complicated."



CASE STUDY:

First National Bank of Hutchinson





IT FNBH

Before ExaGrid

Environment

- Backup media: disk & tape
- Software: Backup Exec with software data deduplication

Challenges

- Backups ran 20 hours
 - Desired backup window 12 hours
- Unable to run full backups within window; some servers not backed up at all
- 5:1 deduplication ratio consumed too much disk
- Retention limited to 20 days

After ExaGrid

Environment

- Two-site ExaGrid system
- Veritas Backup Exec

Advantages

- Backup window reduced to 11 hours, even with increased data volumes
- Deduplication ratio increased to 27:1 resulting in longer retention of 30 days



CASE STUDY:

Strategic Hotels and Resorts



"ExaGrid's support is, in my opinion, the best in the business!"

 Bryce White, Director of IS, Strategic Hotels & Resorts

Before ExaGrid

Environment

Backing up to cloud solution

Challenges

- Cloud's unfriendly interface very cumbersome and time consuming
- Required granular detail to locate and restore data
- Cloud costs \$14,000 per month and escalating

After ExaGrid

Environment

 Single-site ExaGrid with Veritas Backup Exec

Advantages

- Instant restores with "flawless, very fast" performance
- Retention period met with 70% of the storage still available
- Savings of \$150,000 per year; three-month ROI



St. John's Riverside Hospital



"We didn't want a situation where the backup software was waiting on the appliance."

- Niall Pariag, Senior Network Administrator

Before ExaGrid

Environment

 D2D2T solution using Veritas NetBackup

Challenges

- Nightly backups ran 12 hours
 - Needed to be shorter to avoid impact to users
- Out of capacity on disk and tape
 - Not all data backed up
- Solution limited to just one week of retention

After ExaGrid

Environment

 Two-site ExaGrid system with Veritas NetBackup

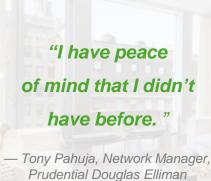
- Backup times reduced by 50% to less than 6 hours
- Vast improvement in restore times
- All data backed up regularly
- Three months of retention



Prudential Douglas Elliman



Douglas Elliman Real Estate



Before ExaGrid

Environment

 Veritas Backup Exec to tape

Challenges

- Backup window exceeded 24 hours
- Backups required up to 15 tapes for daily backups and up to 40 for full backups
- Restores took one to five days

After ExaGrid

Environment

 Single-site ExaGrid with Veritas Backup Exec

- Backup window reduced
- Reliable backups and restores
- Backups are now self-running
- Restores complete in just a few hours



Lawndale Christian Health Center



"ExaGrid has done everything we wanted and more."

 Michael Strong, Systems Administrator, Boston Private Bank & Trust

Before ExaGrid

Environment

 Vertas Backup Exec to tape

Challenges

- Unable to complete full backups within backup window
- File server alone took 12+ hours to back up
- Tape-based DR strategy was cause for concern

After ExaGrid

Environment

 Two-site ExaGrid with Veritas Backup Exec

- Reliable backups and restores
- Backups completed in less than 8 hours
- Restores fast and painless compared to tape



Hitachi Consulting

Hitachi Consulting



Before ExaGrid

Environment

Veritas NetBackup to tape

Challenges

- Tape library problems required daily management
- Restores required recalling tapes from offsite storage
- Differential backups ran for over 12 hours
- Full backups took more than 48 hours
 - Only able to back up 7TB of 12TB nightly

After ExaGrid

Environment

 Veritas NetBackup with three ExaGrid 2-site systems (including offsite)

- Able to protect all data
- Nightly backup time reduced by 75% to 3 hours
- Saved thousands of dollars in license/maintenance fees vs. tape



NPS Pharmaceuticals



"The return on investment for the ExaGrid system is tremendous."

 Jason Ostrowski, Manager of I.T., NPS Pharmaceuticals

Before ExaGrid

Environment

ARCserve Backup to tape

Challenges

- Weekly full backup took 38 hours
- Meeting SOX requirements was costly and time consuming
- Tape media, transportation, and storage costs excessive
- No DR plan

After ExaGrid

Environment

 Two-site ExaGrid system with ARCserve Backup

- Achieved goal of 24-hour recovery from disaster
- Retention increased to 3 months
- Weekly backup window reduced by 60%
- Nightly backup window reduced by 50%
- Saved \$1,500/month in tape costs and storage fees



MOTO (UK)



"...with ExaGrid. we no longer have to worry about our backups."

> - Simon Austin. Systems Architect Moto

Before ExaGrid

Environment

44 locations operating 24/7 using ARCserve

Challenges

- Full backups nightly to tape exceeded 12 hours
- Tape backups and restores were unreliable
- Growing database volumes from new ERP system
- Too risky to perform incremental backups during the week using tape

After ExaGrid

Environment

- Two-site ExaGrid system with ARCserve
- Citrix software at each of 43 locations with central backups at datacenter; second site for DR

- Deduplication ratios as high as 34:1
- Able to perform incrementals nightly and full backups each weekend
- Retention increased to one year



Concur



"We have been extremely pleased with the product, customer support, and the company as a whole."

 Sean Graver. Storage Architect, Concur

Before ExaGrid

Environment

Disk-to-disk backup with inline deduplication, backing up over 10,000 databases daily

Challenges

- Maxed out number of disk trays; single controller
- Couldn't scale: took 2-1/2 days with D2D system to deduplicate one day's worth of data
- IT reverted back to tape backups
- Restores slow, difficult, and expensive

After ExaGrid

Environment

 ExaGrid 80TB system backs up 1PB of data

- Deduplication ratios average 27:1
- Backups meet goals, scale using GRID
- Restore speeds are fast; full copy of most recent backup in high-speed landing zone
- Add capacity in modular increments to pay as they grow



Dot Foods



"The time that we spend managing our backups has been cut considerably..."

> Les Hultquist, UNIX Administrator, Dot Foods

Before ExaGrid

Environment

Commvault Simpana to tape

Challenges

- Backup window continued to grow to unacceptable proportions
- Limited by number of tape drives, which didn't provide sufficient throughput or volume
- Amount of tapes required and related physical storage were problematic

After ExaGrid

Environment

 Two-site ExaGrid cross-replicating system

- Approach to deduplication optimizes disk space
- Seamless integration with Commvault Simpana
- Two-site system provides DR protection
- Much less time spent managing backups



American Standard



"ExaGrid has taken all of the worry and hassle out of our backups."

> - Steve Pudimott, Manager of IT Services

Before ExaGrid

Environment

Veritas NetBackup to tape

Challenges

- Ability to replicate data safely offsite
- Tapeless backups
- Multiple locations
- Safety and security

After ExaGrid

Environment

8 appliances in 2 locations – NJ and Midwest

- Backup times signicantly reduced
- Seamless integration with Veritas NetBackup
- Able to protect all data



Miami **Marlins**



"We can scale the system in terms of capacity and performance just by adding units to the GRID"

> - Ozzv Macias. Manager of Information

Before ExaGrid

Environment

Tape library

Challenges

- Fast data growth from 20TB to nearly 80TB
- Long backup window of 80+ hours
- Driving back and forth to datacenter to change tapes
- Multiple sites

After ExaGrid

Environment

 Two-site ExaGrid system, one in datacenter and one offsite for DR

- Backup window reduced from 80 hours to 40 despite 4X data increase
- ExaGrid customer support scores an "A" grade
- Saves time and headaches for system admin
- System scales to support 100% annual data growth rate



VW Credit

VW CREDIT, INC.

"...we chose the ExaGrid based on its post-process approach to data deduplication and its overall simplicity"

- Dean Bolton. Network Systems Engineer

Before ExaGrid

Environment

Veritas NetBackup to tape

Challenges

- Long backup times in excess of 72 hours
- Lengthy restores
- Tape hassles
- Multiple locations

After ExaGrid

Environment

 ExaGrid systems in each of five locations – IL, OR, VA, MI, and Montreal

- Best price/performance
- 75% improvement in backup window
- Restores are "lightning fast"
- Dedupe ratios average 10:1
- Greater confidence for future



Toyota **Puerto Rico**



"...the user was amazed at how fast we were able to respond to his file restore request it took us just 15 minutes!"

— Jose Sola, IT Manager

Before ExaGrid

Environment

 Veritas Backup Exec tape backups

Challenges

- Performing incremental tape backups during weeknights with full tape backup on weekends
- Backups would run 44+ hours or not complete by Monday morning
- Needed to pre-schedule tape deliveries from backup storage vendor, which took two days

After ExaGrid

Environment

 ExaGrid in conjuntion with Veritas Backup Exec

- Full backup times reduced from 44 hours to under 8
- Restore times reduced from days to minutes
- Works seamlessly with Veritas Backup Exec
- Weekend full backup completion rate increased to 100%



The Salvation **Army**



"The ExaGrid really has taken a lot of the pain out of our backups."

 Michael Levine, Technology Research & Assessment Manager

Before ExaGrid

Environment

Tape library

Challenges

- Long backup times
- Tape management and reliance
- Fast data growth
- System maintenance was increasingly difficult

After ExaGrid

Environment

Two-site ExaGrid solution

- Backup window reduced from 13 to 5 hours
- Able to keep 4-week retention for weeklies and 6-month retention of monthlies
- Scalability is seamless, just add appliances to the GRID
- Integrated with Veritas **Backup Exec**







ExaGrid / Stress-Free Backup Storage

