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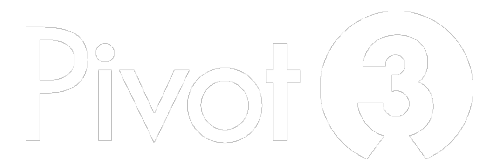
Delivering Predictable Storage Performance in a Virtualized Environment

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Pivot3 PCIe Flash Storage

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Pivot3 Delivers Smarter Infrastructure



→ Proven Innovation

- Software Defined Storage
- Quality of Service
- Flash array architecture

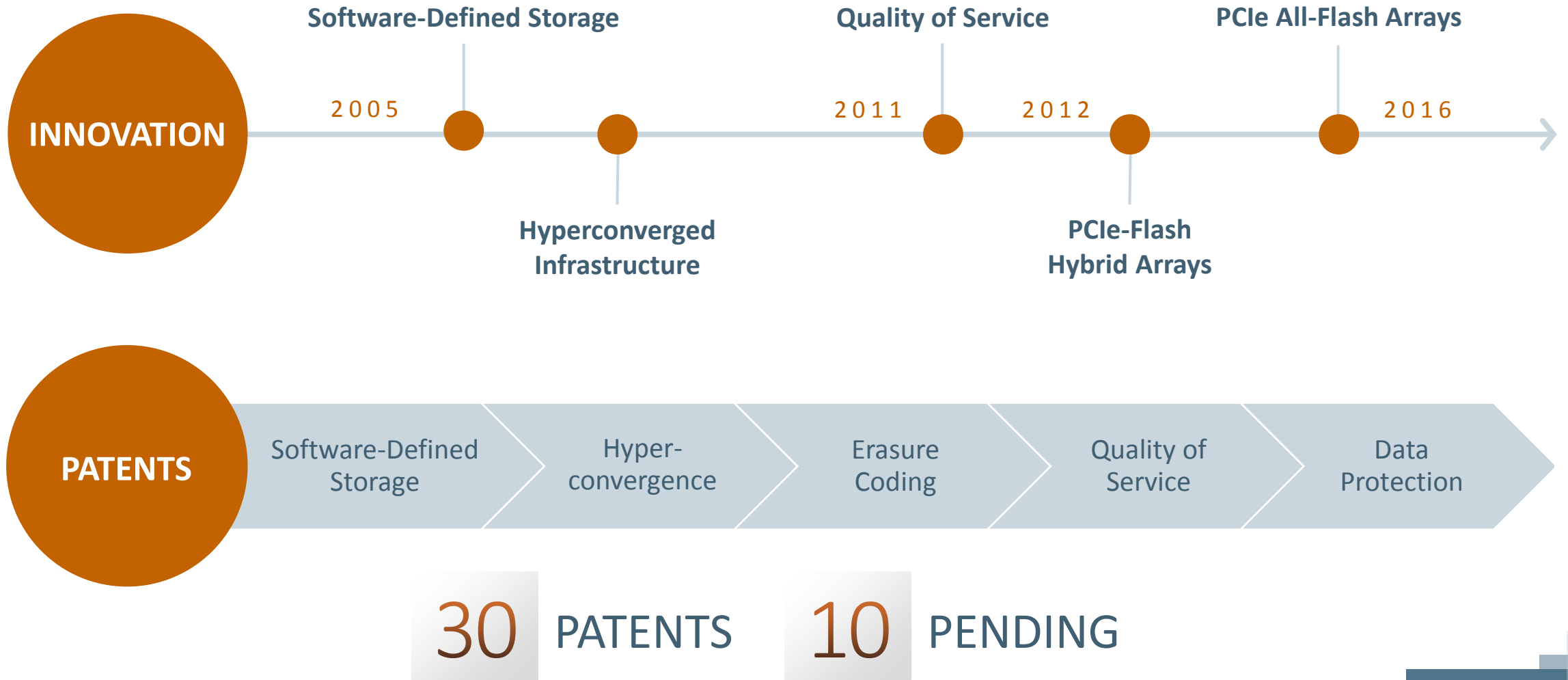
→ 30 Patents Awarded

→ Over 16,000 systems in 53 countries

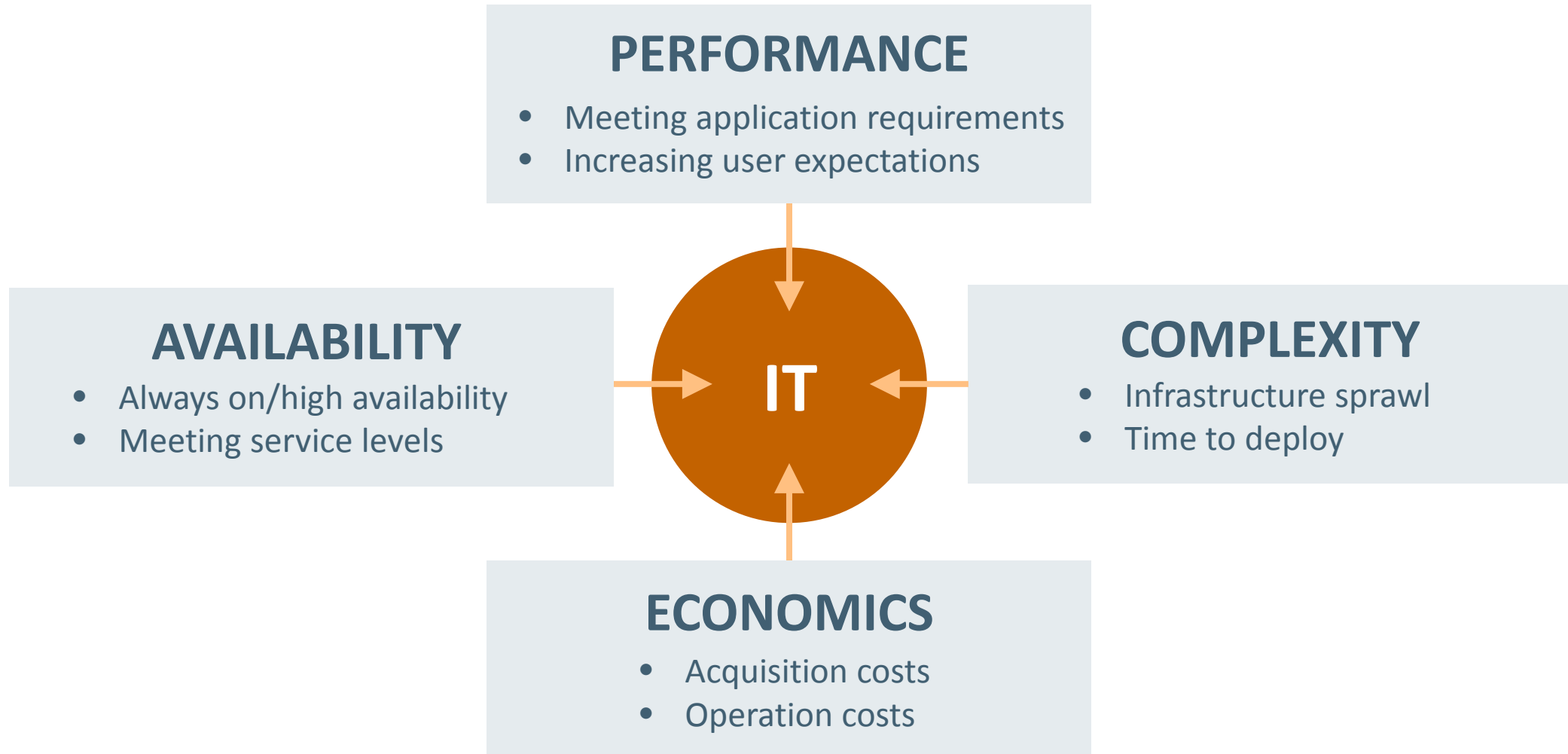
→ Extensive technology partnerships



Major Innovations and Patents

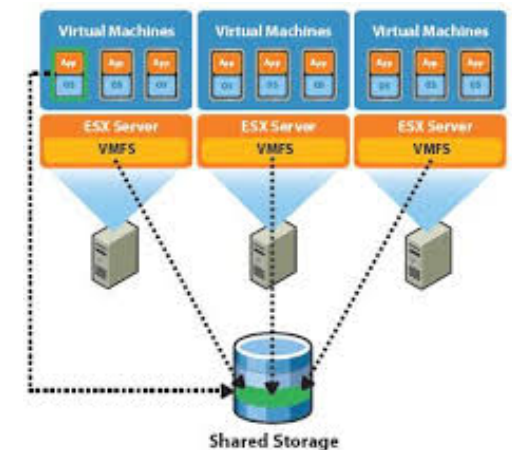


Business Innovation Puts Pressure on IT

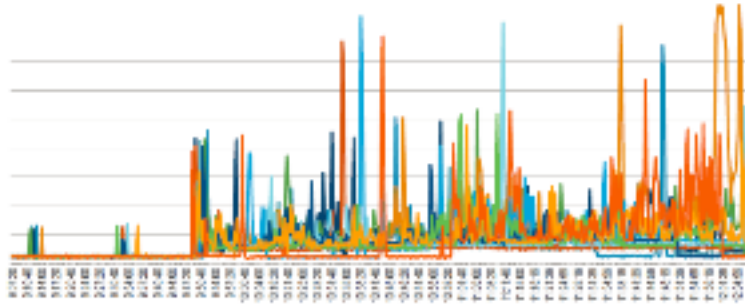


Challenges with Server Virtualization Deployment

- Meeting IOPS & especially low latency performance needs
- Mitigating blender effect: multiple VMs with unique characteristics
 - Variable block size ingestion
 - Unique IOPS and latency requirements
- Unpredictable performance due to I/O contention from heterogeneous workloads and higher VM densities
- Time and effort spent dealing with performance issues

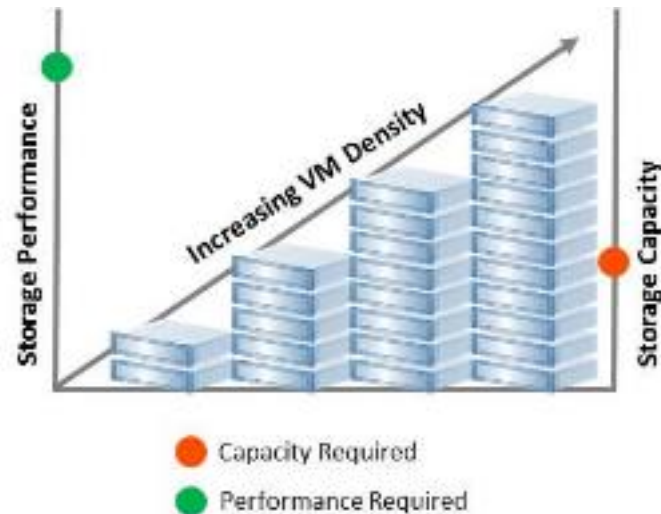


VDI Stresses Storage



VDI is a demanding workload

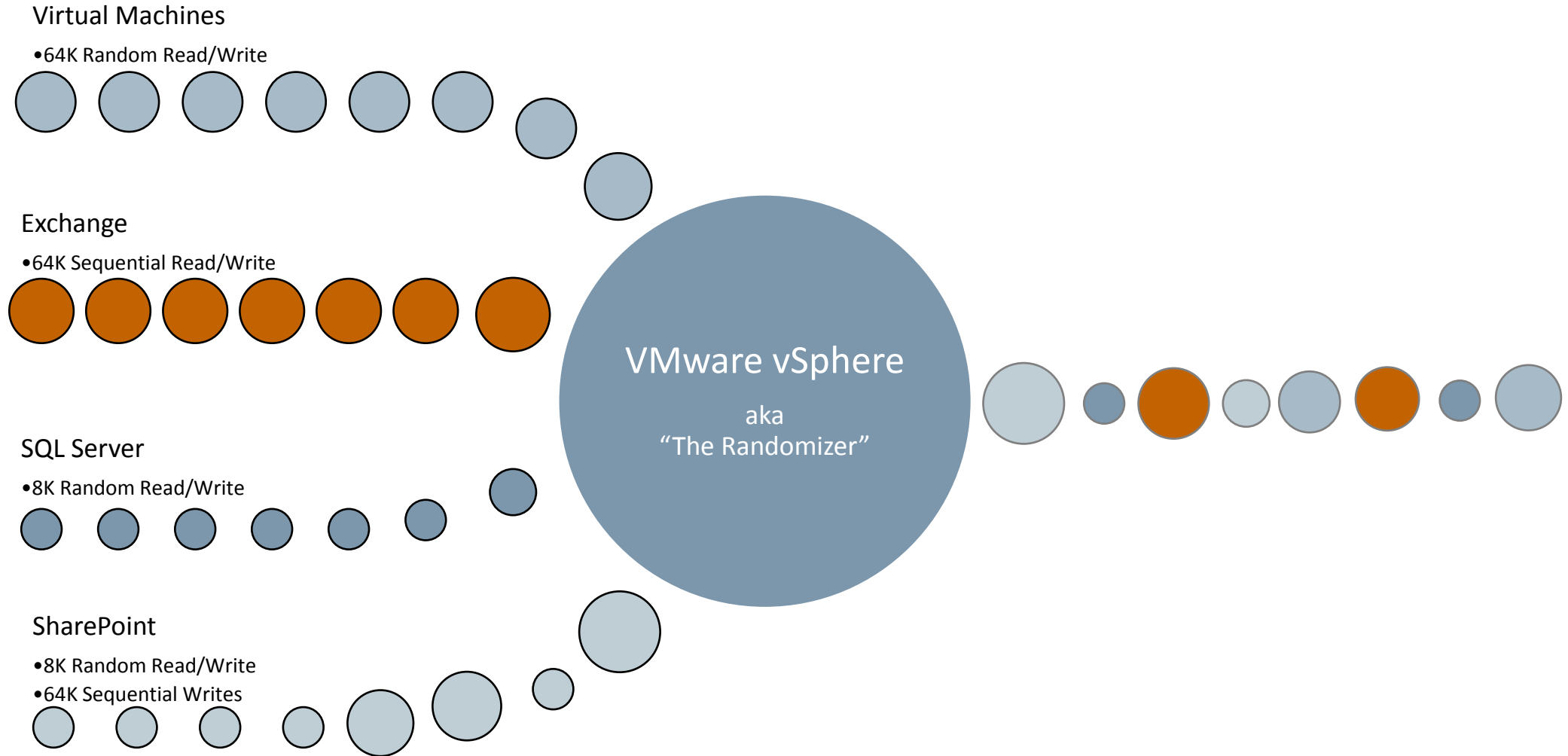
- Bursty, massive load sometimes, quiet others
- Varies by the hour, day and month
- Demands random write-heavy I/O
- Inconsistent performance impacts user experience



Cost and complexity impacts project ROI

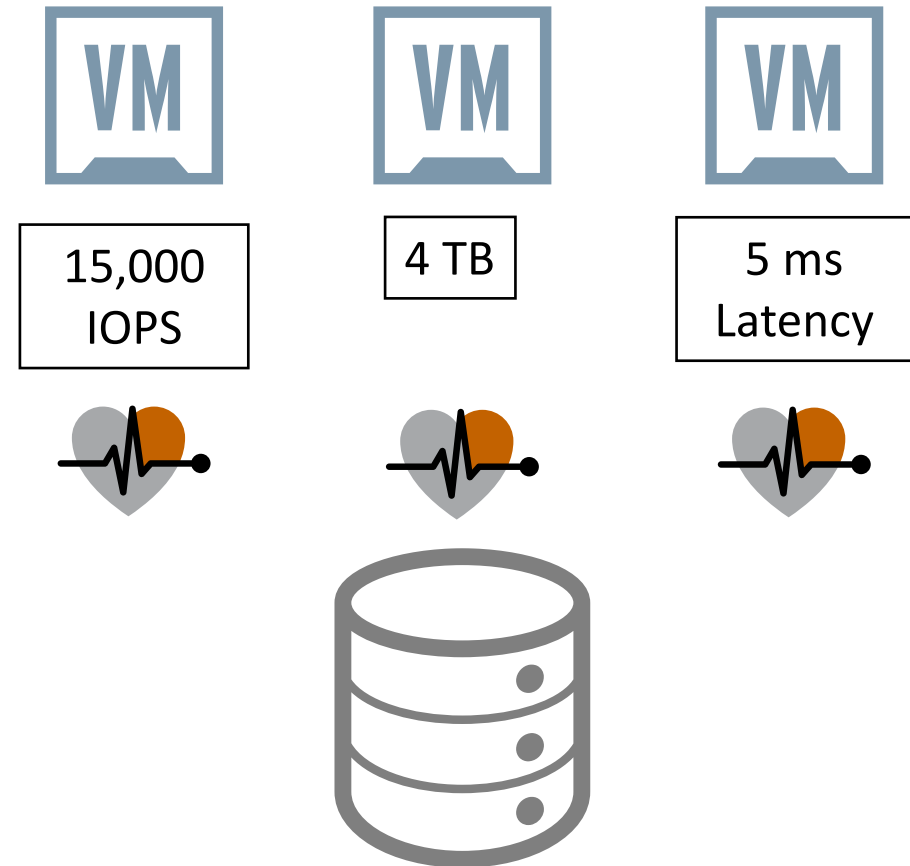
- Storage is expensive
- More disk drives increases maintenance expense
 - Excess capacity consumes more rack space
 - Higher power and cooling expenses
 - Higher maintenance costs
- Separate storage infrastructure for VDI increases costs

“I/O Blender” Alters Performance Reality

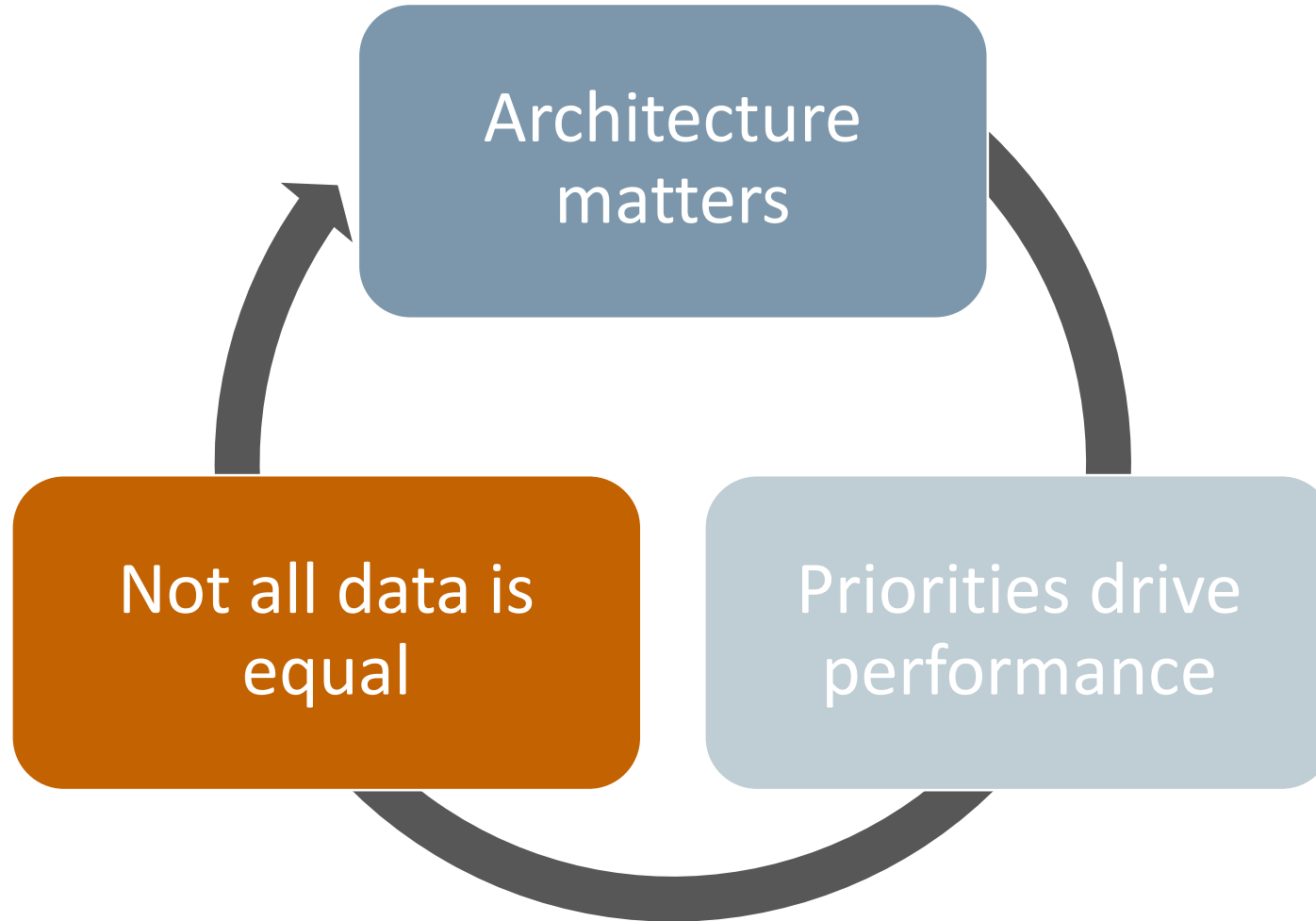


Understanding the Storage Challenge

- VMs share storage resources
- Creates contention
- VMs have unique storage requirements
 - IOPS
 - Throughput
 - Latency
 - Capacity
 - Availability



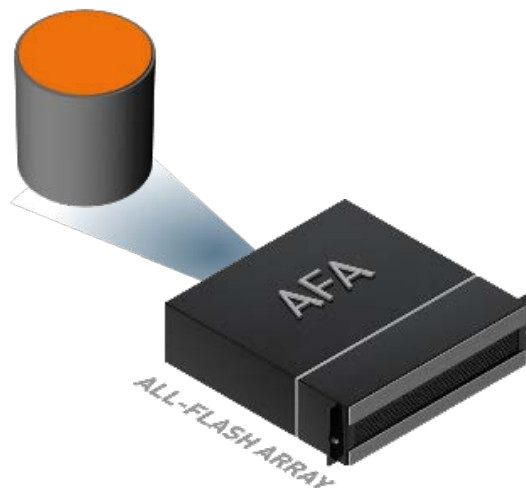
Considerations for meeting your storage goals



The Next Wave of Flash Arrays Are Here

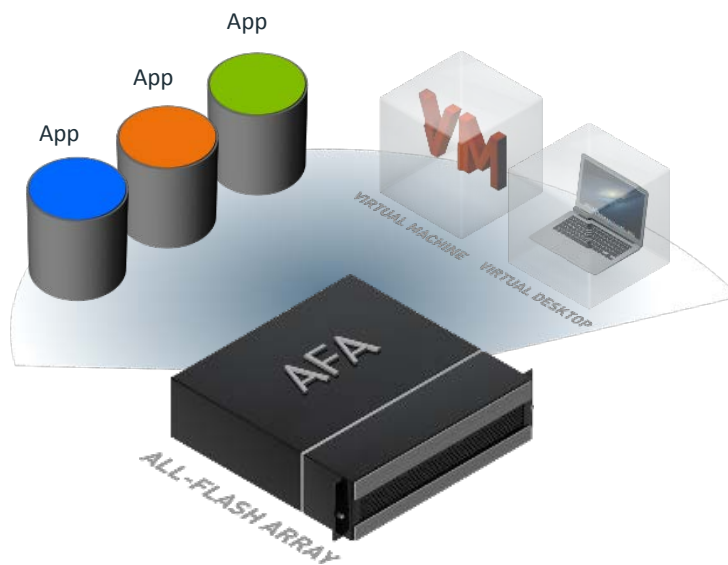
First All-Flash Arrays

Single Critical App



Want flash performance for a limited set of applications

Next All-Flash Arrays



Want flash performance for broader mixed workloads

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Optimized for flash?
- Designed for lowest latency?
- Prioritize application workloads?
- Ensure service levels are met?
- VM-level Performance Management?

Pivot3 Flash Storage Solutions



→ Ultra-low Latency Performance

- PCIe flash acceleration

→ Prioritize What Matters Most

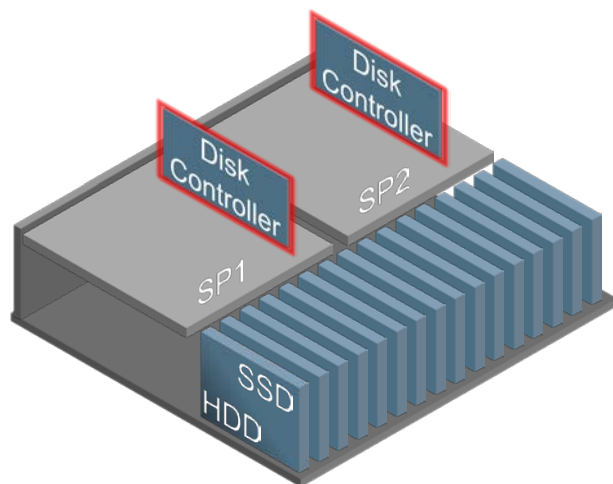
- Patented Quality of Service

→ Management Simplified

- Granular policy-based management

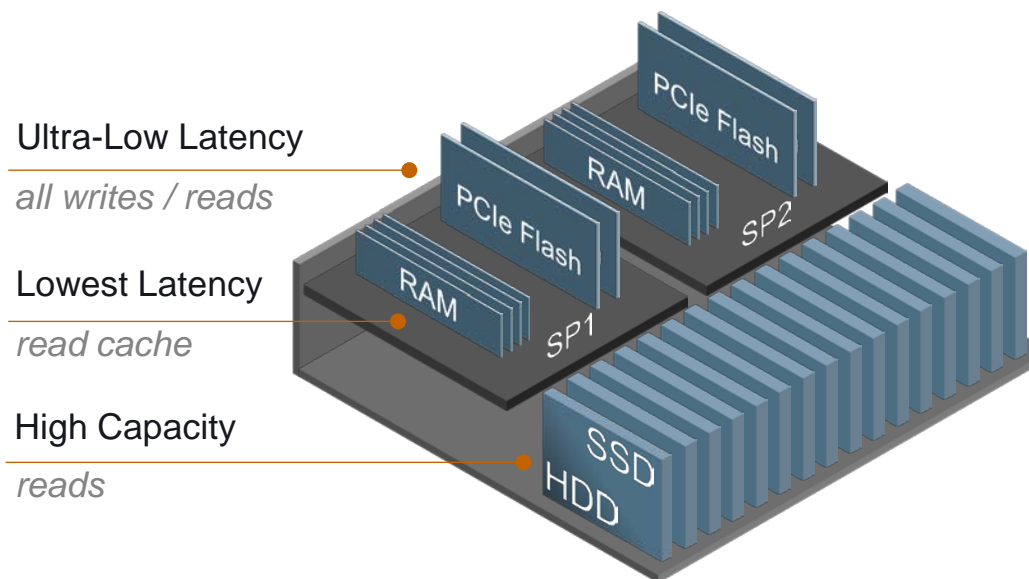
Multi-tier Flash Architecture Advantages

Conventional Arrays



- All IO traverses controller
- Bottlenecks exist

Pivot3 PCIe Flash Arrays



- Multi-tier architecture for efficient performance
- Priority-driven data placement

Prioritize What Matters Most With Pivot3 QoS

Pivot3 QoS



Target

- Preconfigured policies
- Manage min/max performance



Prioritize

- Prioritize resources
- Meet application SLAs



Place

- Real-time data placement
- Efficient flash utilization

Prioritize Performance With Service Levels

All-Flash Arrays



Rated @ 450,000 IOPS

Hybrid Flash Arrays

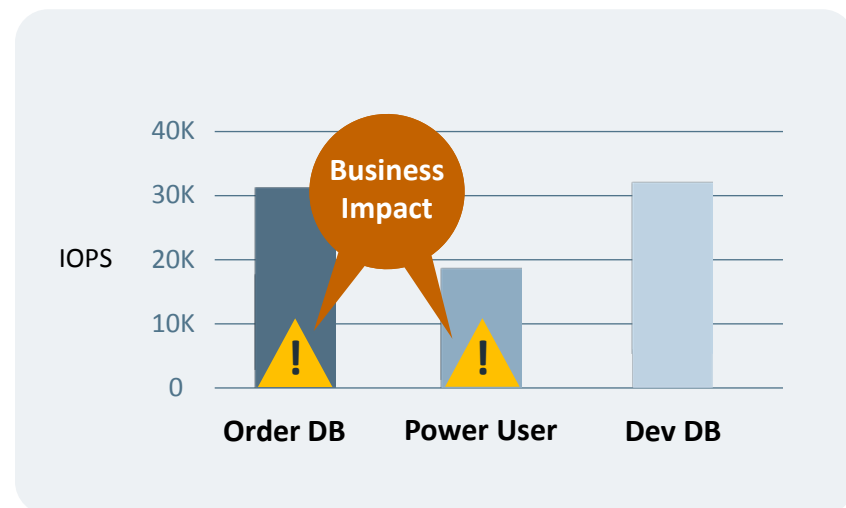


Rated @ 250,000 IOPS

	Min Performance Level	QoS Policy	Min Performance Level	
Mission Critical	125K IOPS 1000 MB/s 1 ms max	1	100K IOPS 750 MB/s 5 ms max	Mission Critical
Business Critical	75K IOPS 500 MB/s 3 ms max	2	50K IOPS 375 MB/s 10 ms max	Business Critical
Business Critical	50K IOPS 250 MB/s 10 ms max	3	20K IOPS 150 MB/s 25 ms max	Business Critical
Non-Critical	25K IOPS 100 MB/s 20 ms max	4	10K IOPS 75 MB/s 50 ms max	Non-Critical
Non-Critical	10K IOPS 50 MB/s 40 ms max	5	2K IOPS 38 MB/s 100 ms max	Non-Critical

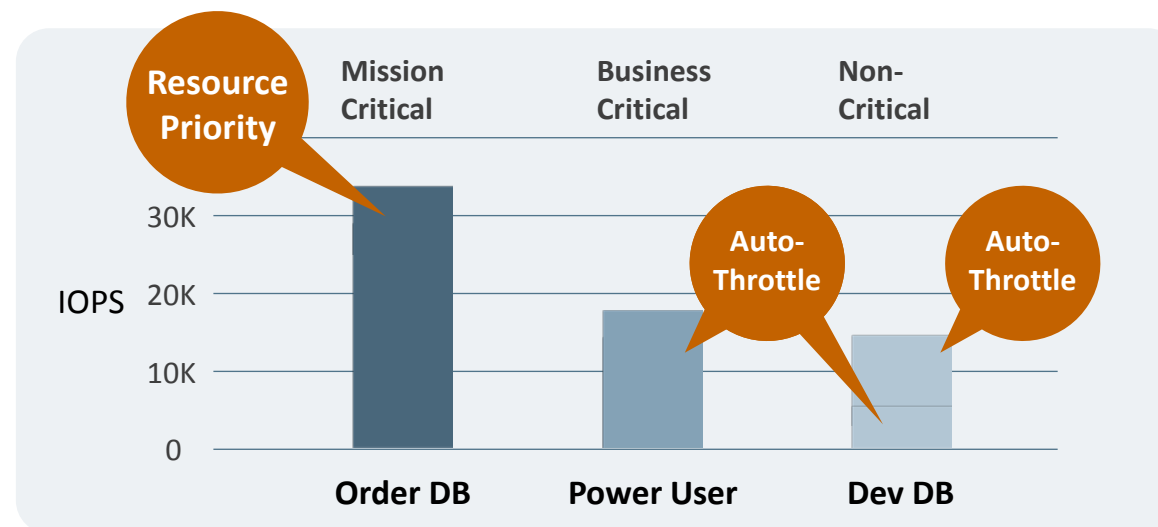
Meet Application Performance Service Levels

Storage Without QoS



- All data treated the same
- Inconsistent performance
- Impacts business operations

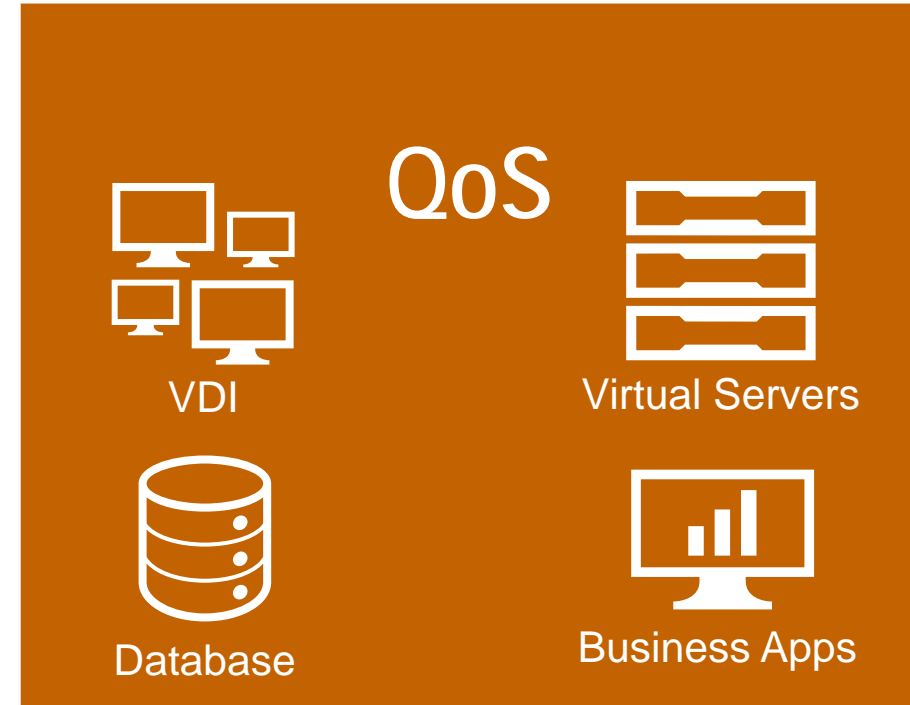
Pivot3's Patented Quality of Service



- Align performance with business needs
- Meet Application service levels
- Mission Critical performance is always guaranteed

Consolidated Virtualization

- QoS allows consolidation of dissimilar workloads
 - VDI
 - Database
 - Virtual servers
 - Business decision apps
- Eliminates the “I/O blender” effect of mixed workloads



A 3D isometric diagram of a server architecture. The server is represented as a blue rectangular block. On top of the server, there are several components: a large blue rectangular block labeled 'SSD HDD' (Solid State Drive / Hard Disk Drive) with a blue 'MC' (Memory Controller) label; a blue rectangular block labeled 'RAM' (Random Access Memory) with a blue 'NC' (Network Controller) label; a blue rectangular block labeled 'PCI' (Peripheral Component Interconnect) with a blue 'MC' label; and a blue rectangular block labeled 'PCIe Flash' with a blue 'NC' label. There are also several blue rectangular blocks labeled 'RAM' and 'SSD HDD' arranged in rows. The components are connected to a central processing unit (CPU) located inside the server block. The CPU is represented by a blue rectangular block with a blue 'MC' label. The diagram illustrates the physical layout and connectivity of the server's storage and memory components.

- Protected Read/Write Area
 - All writes occur in PCIe flash
 - Writes are mirrored for HA
 - QoS determines destage to disk
- Prioritized Read Cache
 - Determines *if* and *when* and *where*
 - Data is cached to RAM and/or PCIe flash

*Per 1 MB Page

Benefits of Pivot3 Data Reduction Technologies

IO Reduction
for Performance

2.5X

2.5X acceleration*
50% lower latency
Reduced IO vs. PCIe Flash IO

IO Consolidation for
Endurance

4X

4X SSD life extension
7:1 consolidation ratio** from PCIe Flash
writes to SSD writes

Data Reduction for
Capacity

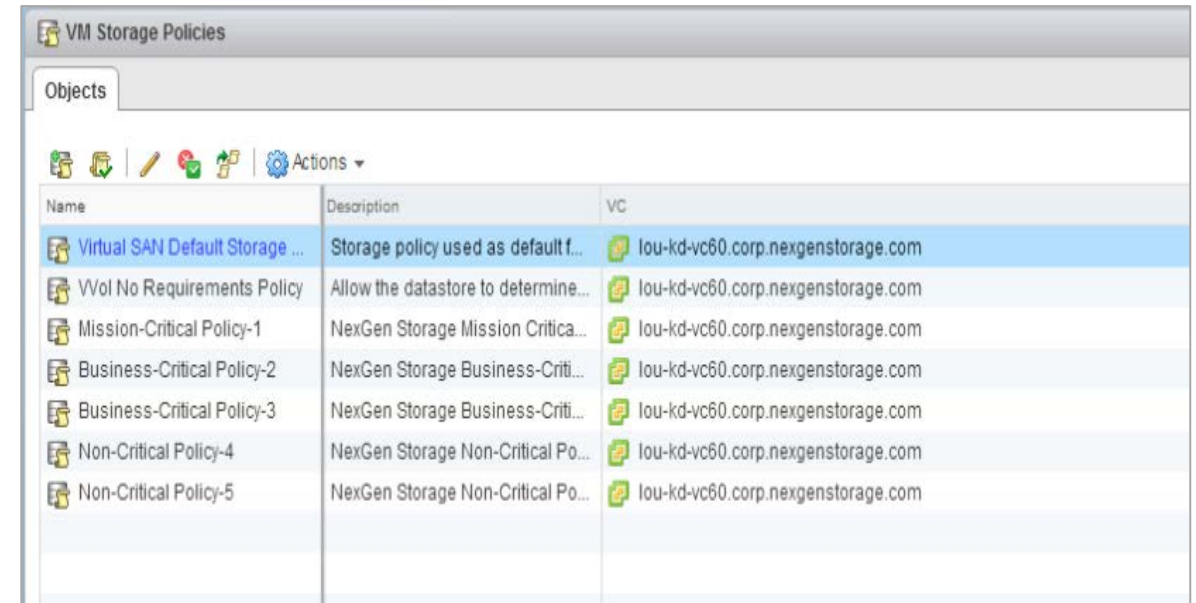
2:1

50% average capacity reduction
2:1 data reduction ratio***
No performance impact

* 2.5X acceleration based on v3.5 software benchmarks; ** 7:1 consolidation ratio based on Pivot3 customer measured metrics; *** 2:1 capacity reduction based on Pivot3 customer measured metrics

Storage QoS Per VM

- VMware VVol integration with Pivot3 QoS
 - Natively surfaces Pivot3 performance QoS and service levels in vCenter
 - Tied to VM-level granularity = manage storage SLAs per VM
- Simplify Management
 - Gives administrators granular control over Pivot3 storage management tasks (provisioning, snap, rep, clone, QoS, performance, etc.) per VM
 - Integrates VM level performance QoS/SLAs with Pivot3 performance QoS/SLAs

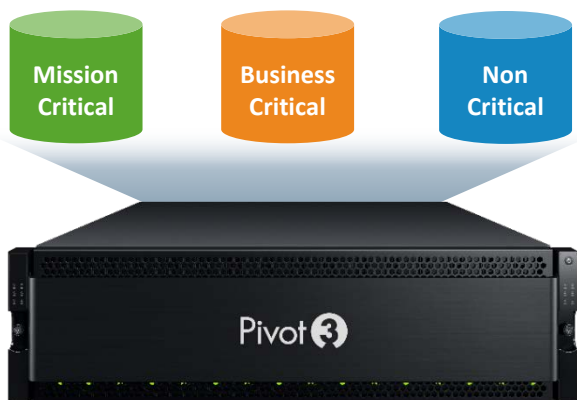


Name	Description	VC
Virtual SAN Default Storage ...	Storage policy used as default f...	lou-kd-vc60.corp.nexgenstorage.com
VVol No Requirements Policy	Allow the datastore to determine...	lou-kd-vc60.corp.nexgenstorage.com
Mission-Critical Policy-1	NexGen Storage Mission Critica...	lou-kd-vc60.corp.nexgenstorage.com
Business-Critical Policy-2	NexGen Storage Business-Criti...	lou-kd-vc60.corp.nexgenstorage.com
Business-Critical Policy-3	NexGen Storage Business-Criti...	lou-kd-vc60.corp.nexgenstorage.com
Non-Critical Policy-4	NexGen Storage Non-Critical Po...	lou-kd-vc60.corp.nexgenstorage.com
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VMware VVOL integration with Pivot3 QoS

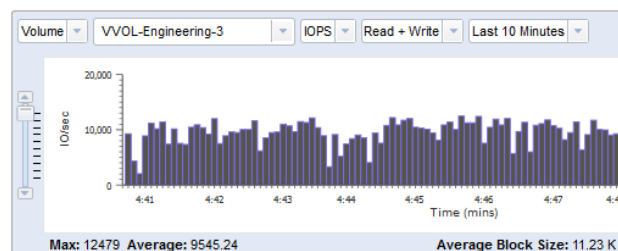
Managing Performance at a VM-level

Storage Silo Consolidation





Host multiple VM Storage QoS policies on a single storage array; no separate silos

Predictable VM Performance



Per VM Storage QoS policies enable granular assignment of storage performance

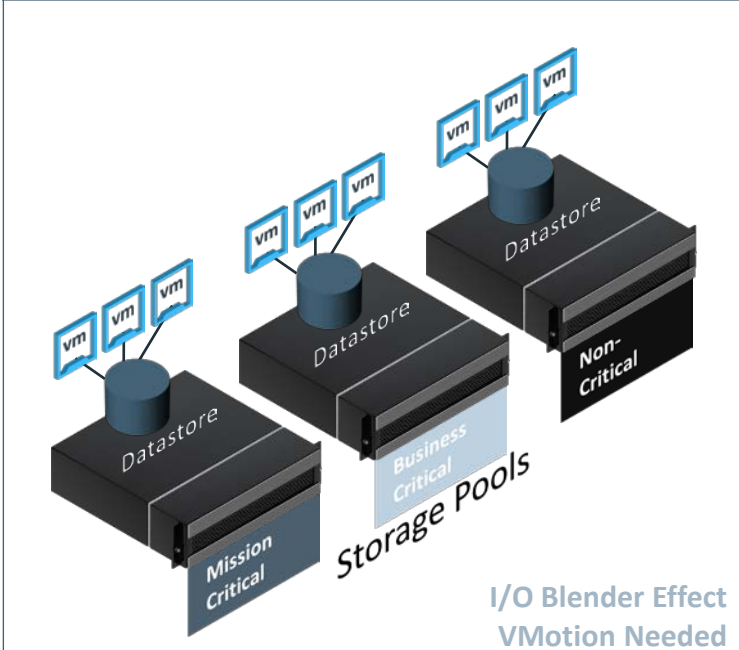
Simple Policy Management

VM Storage Policies	
VM Storage Policies	 Mission Critical Policy 1
VM Storage Policy Compliance	 Not Applicable
Last Checked Date	5/11/2016 11:06 AM
Check Compliance	

Pre-defined Storage QoS Policies applied to the VM removes management complexity

Storage QoS Takes VVOLs to the Next Level

Pre-vSphere 6 VVOLs

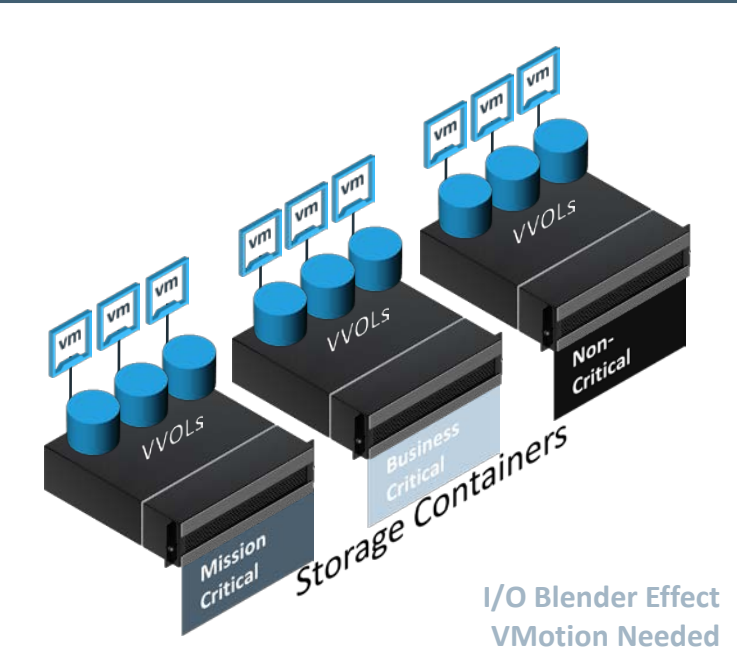


Storage Pool Consolidation

VM Workload Management

VM Aware Storage

vSphere 6 VVOL Integration

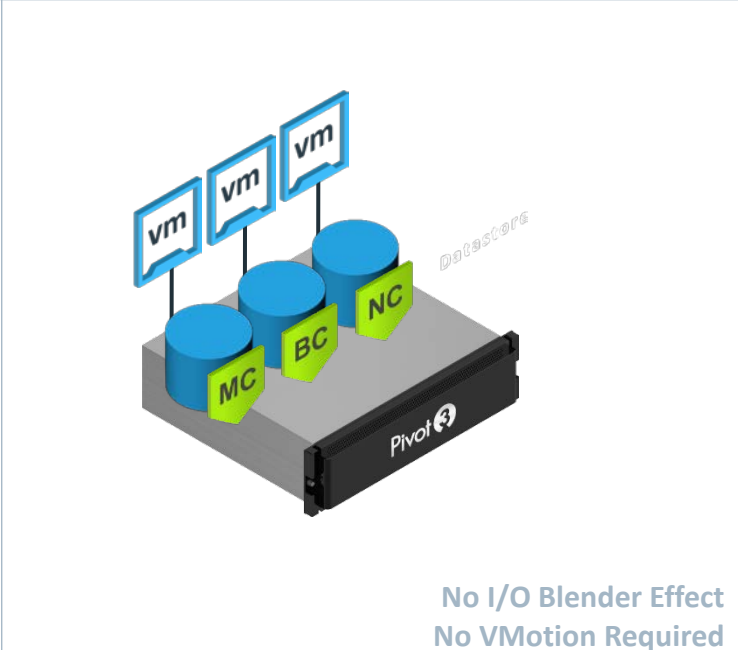


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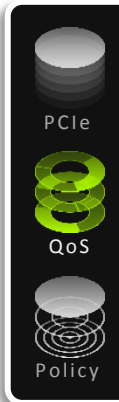
Pivot3 QoS + VVOL



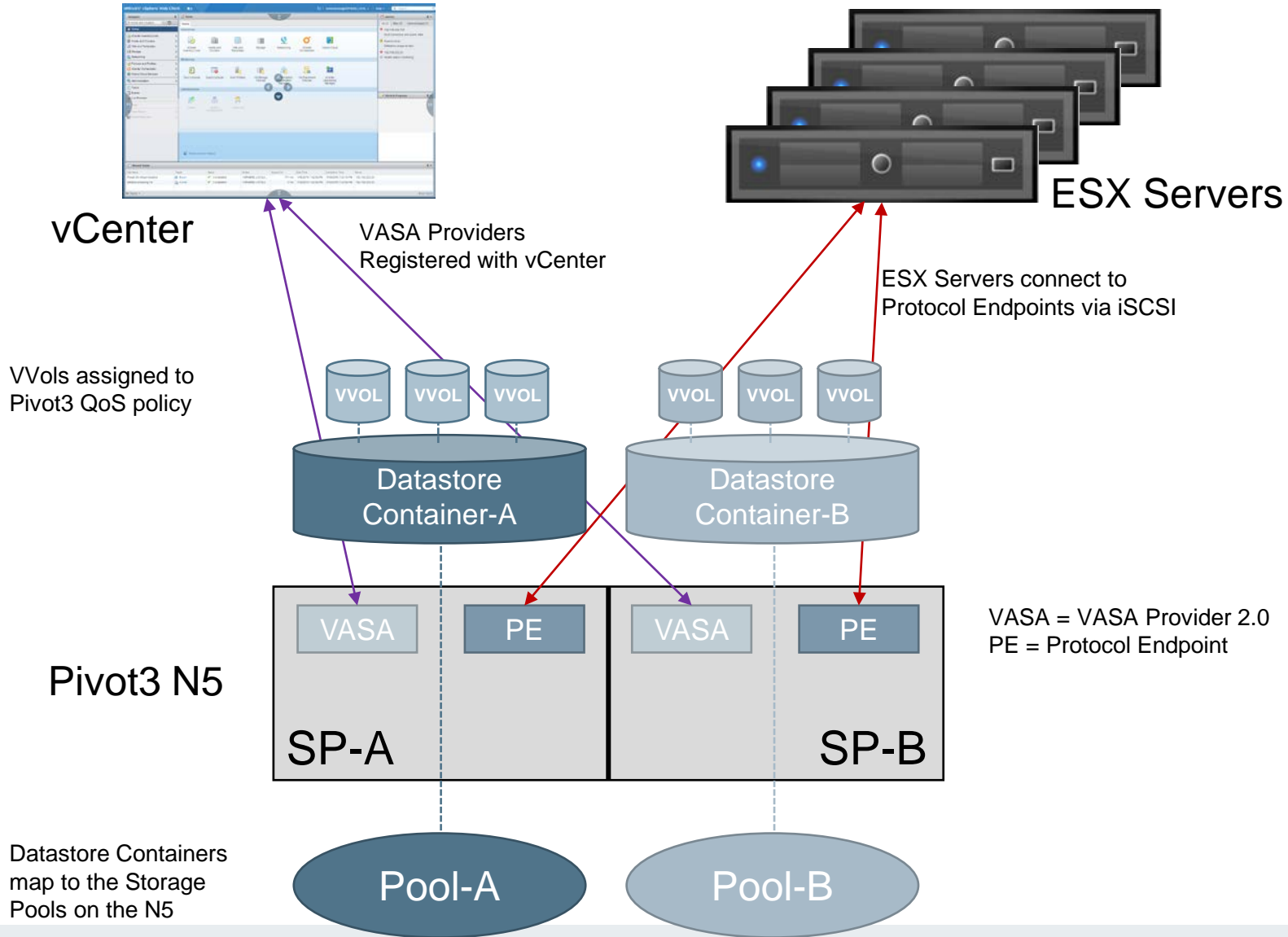
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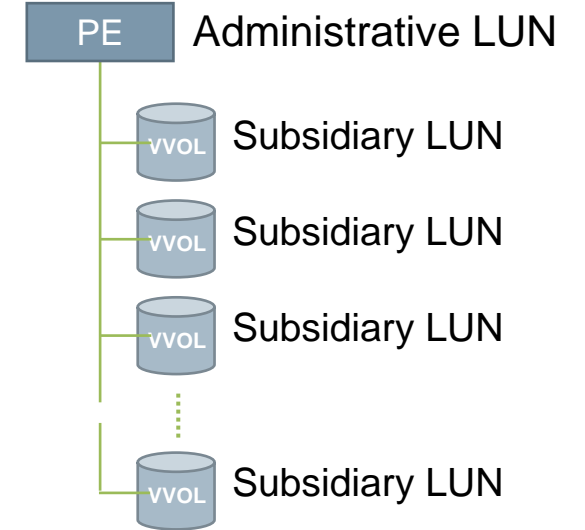
Pivot3 VVol Architecture



Pivot3 VVOL Features:

- QoS mapped to Storage Policy
- Software Defined Performance
- On-the-Fly QoS Change
- Automated VVOL Provisioning
- Thin Snapshot / Clone
- Equivalent Performance

VVOL Addressing:



Simple, Actionable Performance Information

Performance Info at a Glance



- Proactive monitoring
- Real-time performance information
- Performance by workload type and tier

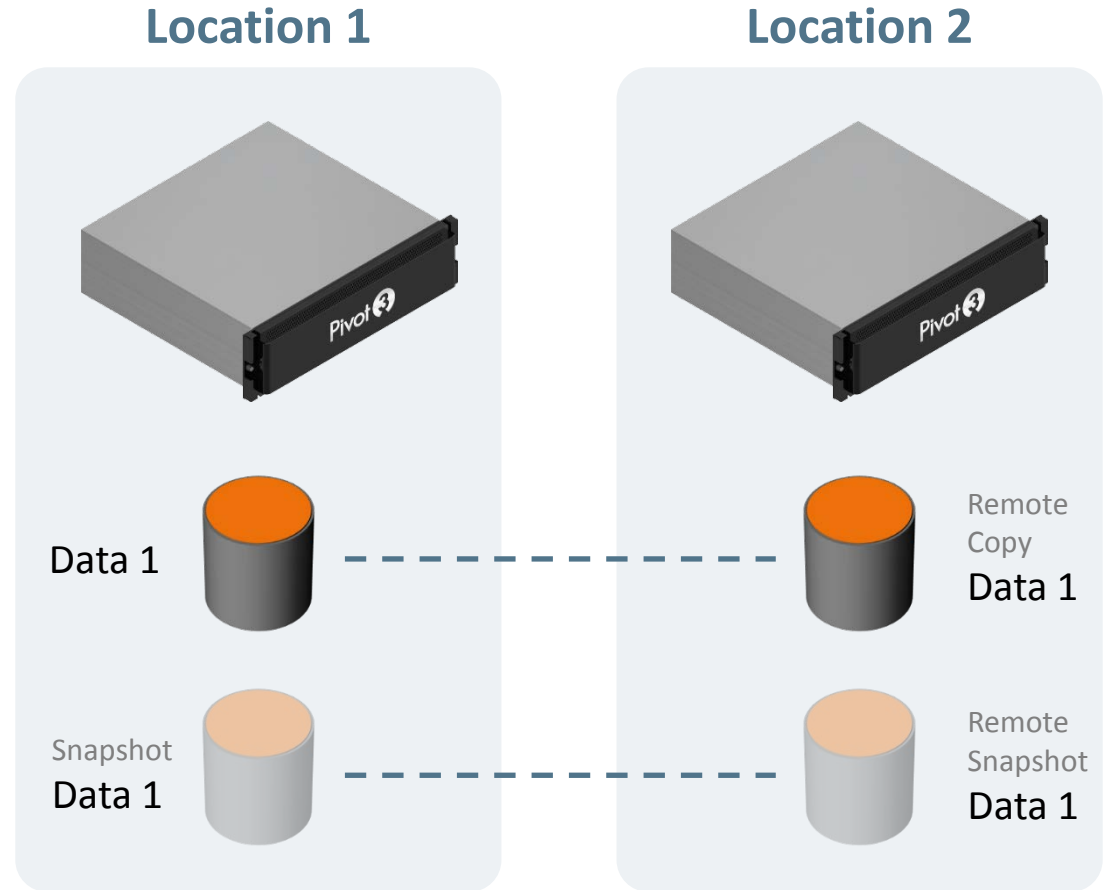
Actionable Performance Statistics



- Granular performance information
 - Volume, tier, service level, system wide
 - By IOPS, TP, latency
 - Up to one year, and exportable

Simple to Manage Data Protection

- Snapshots
- Space efficient
- Scheduled
- Replication for DR
- Scheduled
- Asynchronous
- Between Different N5 Models
- VSS Provider for Microsoft
- Clones



Pivot3 Flash Storage Use Cases

Virtualize Critical Apps


Server
Virtualization

VDI

Deploy alongside
other workloads



Meet Mission
Critical App SLAs



Server Virtualization: Confidently Virtualize Critical Applications

- Considerations

- Meet mission critical application SLAs
- Ease of management

- Why Pivot3?

- Quickly apply QoS directly to VMs
- Ensure mission critical VMs meet SLAs
- Manage storage entirely within VMware vCenter



2-3X

LOWER LATENCY AND
PERFORMANCE WITH
PCIe FLASH

40%

MORE VM WORKLOADS
WITH PIVOT3 QOS



VDI: Deploy Alongside Other Workloads

- Considerations

- High volume logins (boot storms)
- Meet mission critical VM SLAs

- Why Pivot3?

- Ultra-low latency cache for disk images
- Consolidating multiple workloads with QoS
- Ensure boot storms don't impact other apps



6X

FASTER BOOT TIMES
LA Metro

77%

REDUCTION IN VDI
RECOMPOSE PROCESS
C&S Companies



Database: Meet Critical Application SLAs



- Considerations
 - Meeting low latency database requirements
 - Meet end-user experience expectations
- Why Pivot3?
 - Low-latency PCIe flash performance
 - Mission critical apps get resource priority in both sunny day and degraded mode operation

500%

INCREASE IN MONTHLY
TRANSACTIONS
Bridgepay

157%

LOWER READ
LATENCY
Kolcraft

Pivot3 N5 PCI-e Flash Arrays

- All-Flash and Hybrid
- Multi-tier Flash
- All-inclusive Feature Set
 - Quality of Service
 - Data Reduction Technologies
 - Data Protection
 - Deep VMware Integration
 - Online Scalability



Technical Specifications

Item	N5-200	N5-300	N5-500	N5-1000	N5-1500	N5-3000
Array Type	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	All-Flash	All-Flash
PCIe Flash Capacity	2.0 TB flash (base) 7.2 TB flash (max)	2.6 TB flash (base) 7.8 TB flash (max)	5.2 TB flash (base) 10.4 TB flash (max)	10.4 TB flash (base) 15.6 TB flash (max)	2.6 TB flash	2.6 TB flash
SSD Flash Capacity					15.0 TB raw (base) 60.0 TB raw (max)	30.0 TB raw (base) 60.0 TB raw (max)
HDD Capacity	32.0 TB raw (base) 128 TB raw (max)	64.0 TB raw (base) 256 TB raw (max)	64.0 TB raw (base) 256 TB raw (max)	64.0 TB raw (base) 256 TB raw (max)		
Performance Rating	150,000 IOPS * 2.0 GB/sec **	200,000 IOPS * 2.4 GB/sec **	225,000 IOPS * 2.7 GB/sec **	250,000 IOPS * 3.0 GB/sec **	450,000 IOPS * 6.0 GB/sec **	450,000 IOPS * 6.0 GB/sec **
PCIe Flash Scalability	5.2 TB flash Perf Pack	5.2 TB flash Perf Pack	5.2 TB flash Perf Pack	5.2 TB flash Perf Pack		
SSD Flash Scalability					15.0 TB SSD Shelf	15.0 TB SSD Shelf
HDD Scalability	32 TB Shelf HDD	32/48/64 TB HDD Shelf	32/48/64 TB HDD Shelf	32/48/64 TB HDD Shelf		
RAM	96GB	192GB	192GB	192GB	96GB	96GB
CPU	4x 6-core Intel Xeon E5645 2.4GHz (2x CPU per storage processor), 24x physical cores / 48 cores with hyper-threading					
Storage Processors	Dual Active/Active Storage Processors					
Network Interfaces	Data: (4) 1/10GbE SFP+ or (4) 1/10GBT RJ45, iSCSI / Management: (4) 1GbE RJ45, http, https					
All-Inclusive Feature-set	Quality of Service Service Levels Dynamic Data Path Prioritized Active Cache Data Reduction Data Protection (Snapshot and Replication)					
VMware Integration	VAAI - vCenter Plug-in - MPIO ALUA - Virtual Volumes - Horizon View Proven Storage – vSphere Virtual Volumes					
Hardware Availability	Redundant storage processors Redundant fans Redundant, hot swap power supplies Redundant network connections Dual port SAS SSD drives RAID, hot swap SSD drives					

* 4K random reads; ** 256K sequential reads

Services and Support

Professional Services

- Design, configure and implement
 - Advanced architectural design
 - Business continuity planning & implementation
 - Application deployment
 - VDI implementation
 - Hardware and software upgrades
- System analysis
 - Performance optimization
 - Best practices for success
- Training and certification
 - Live remote or onsite
 - Online

Technical Support

- Support Offerings
 - 7 day x 24 hour phone | onsite/same day parts
 - 7 day x 24 hour phone | NBD parts
 - 5 day x 9 hour phone | NBD Parts
- Proactive Monitoring
 - Actionable alerts and notifications
 - Integrated phone-home telemetry
- Expertise to complement your IT team
 - Storage
 - Virtualization



Thank You

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