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The Future of Data Infrastructure

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The Evolving Role of Data

Creating the data-driven economy











Value

Diverse and Connected Data Types

Tight coupling between Big Data and Fast Data

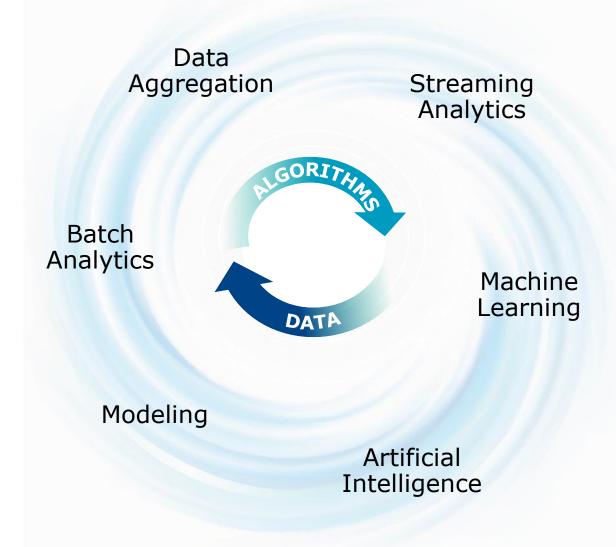
Big Data







Scale



Fast Data







Performance

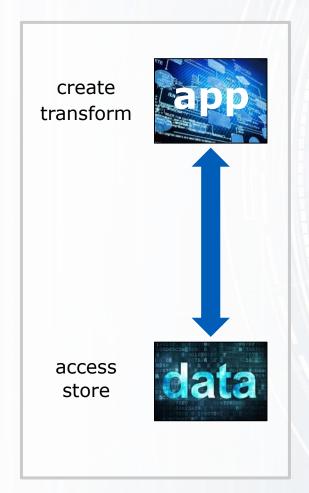
The Changing Nature of Data Interaction

Past

Data Held Captive by Single Application

Current and Future

Data Pooled and Shared by Multiple Applications





Increasingly Dynamic Workloads

A survey of mid-sized and large-enterprise IT users found...



45%

of compute hours and storage capacity are utilized



70%

report inefficiencies in the time required to provision compute and storage resources



Source: IDC White Paper, sponsored by Hewlett Packard Enterprise, Quantifying Datacenter Inefficiency: Making the Case for Composable Infrastructure, Doc #US42318917, Mar 2017

Driving New Demands on Data Infrastructure



The Data Infrastructure (R)evolution

Converged

 Preconfigured HW/SW for a specific application and workload

Hyper-Converged

 Software-defined with deeper levels of abstraction and automation

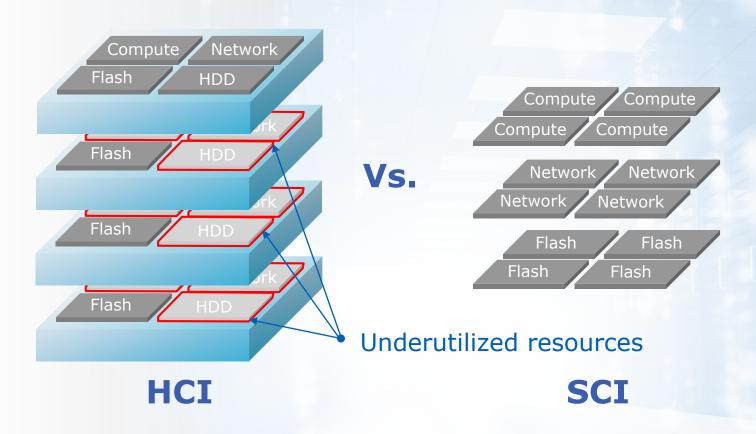
Composable

- Disaggregated compute and storage resources
- Shared pool of resources that can be composed and made available on demand

Composability

Hyperconverged vs. Composable

Flash Intensive Workload



Scalability

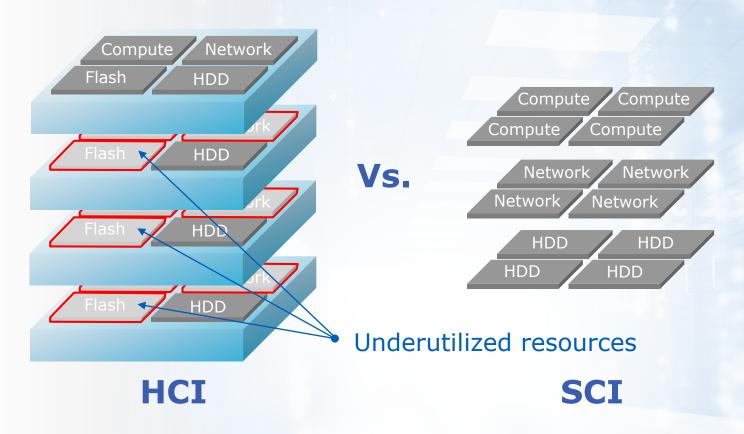
Efficiency

Agility

Performance

Hyperconverged vs. Composable

Capacity Intensive Workload



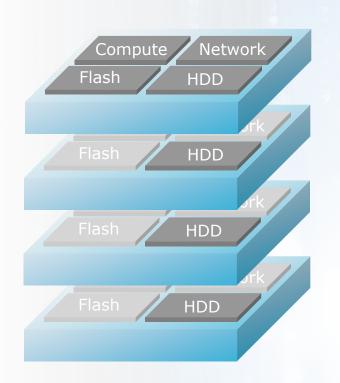
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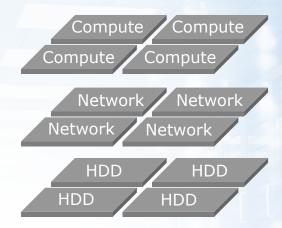
Agility

Performance

The Benefits of Composability



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Greater economics, agility, efficiency and simplicity at scale

Applicable to all environments – virtual, containers, bare metal – and applications

~40%

lower TCO than traditional HCI architectures¹

~50%

savings in initial CapEx investment¹

Our Composable Infrastructure Vision



Enabling Composable Infrastructure

Data Fabric CPU FPGA GPU Flash Disk Memory 0000000 **Memory Fabric**

- No physical systems only composed systems
- No established hierarchy CPU doesn't 'own' the GPU or the Memory
- All elements are peers on the network and they communicate with each other

NVMf Fabric Devices

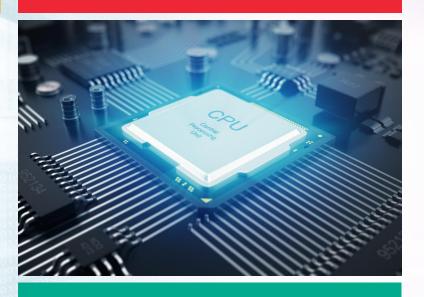
Flash



Disk



Compute



The New World of NVMf Fabric Devices

Simpler building blocks

Maintains multiple paths to the device

Network matched to media performance Faster Time-to-Market of innovation

Purpose-Built Disaggregated Infrastructure



Introducing OpenFlexTM

Open standards enable vendor-neutral solutions

OpenFlex[™] F3000 Fabric Device and E3000 Fabric Enclosure



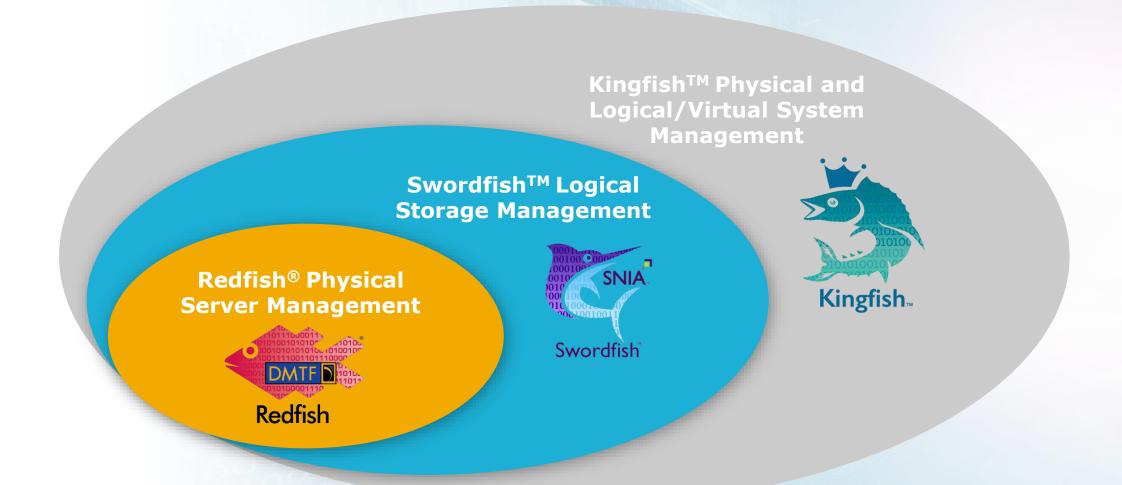
High-performance, low-latency fabric device for Fast Data: AI, real-time analytics, IoT

OpenFlex[™] D3000 Series Fabric Device

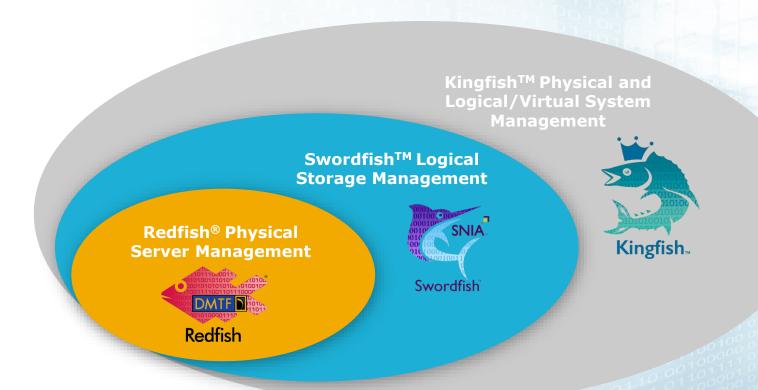


High-capacity fabric device for Big Data: batch analytics, machine learning, predictive modeling

OpenFlex Management API



OpenFlex Management API



- Kingfish Open API builds on existing open standards
- Unified across entire data infrastructure for delivering simplicity at scale
- Providing APIs to the public to accelerate innovation and market adoption

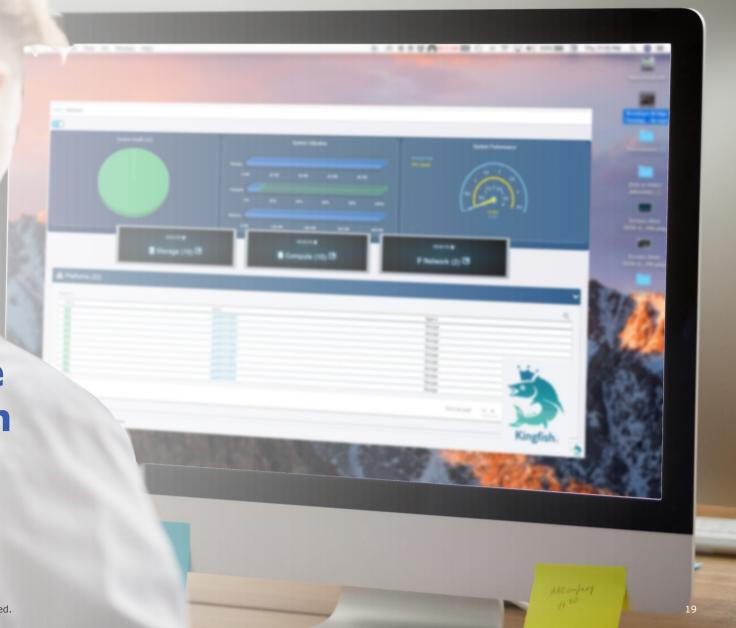
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Software Orchestration

Rapid composability

New instances in seconds

Optimize to the unique needs of an application or workload



Broad Ecosystem Support

Focused on software composability tools and interoperable hardware





Microsoft SQL Server



























Western Digital OpenFlex

Positioned to Accelerate Market Adoption

Open

Firm commitment to an open standards-based approach

Ecosystem

Strategic position in the ecosystem to help accelerate market adoption

Trust

Trusted leader in data center products, technologies and infrastructure

Innovating for a Data-Centric World



