

*Unity

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Architecture and Overview - Kaushik Ghosh

New Unity All Flash family (x50F)

Flexible deployment options (purpose-built, converged, virtual)

Virtualisation has helped Unity development tremendously

All the software now included

Block, File or VVol

Snapshots and AppSync Basic

Replication (including RecoverPoint Basic)

Inline compression

D@RE

AV enabler

QoS

Cloud Tiering

Unisphere

Architecture

Active-active fully redundant dual node architecture

unified design: file, block or VVol, sharing the same pool of storage

10 minutes to install, 30 minutes to production

Compact and powerful: cloud integrated 500TB all-flash in 2RU

Architected for all flash

3D TLC NAND flash drive (1wpd > 0.5wpd) for all IO type

Multi-core optimised for best CPU utilisation and low latency

Automatic flash wear balance

Zero impact drive firmware based garbage collection

Per-object in memory log for consistently low response time

Write coalescing with full stripe writes to minimise IO

Inline compression (done in memory)

Mix different flash drives and capacities for lowest cost

Delivering consistent response time and more

1. Write to in memory log (one per volume)

2. Coalesce and fold writes

3. Compress in memory

4. Full stripe write to drive

5. Balance wear and IOPS

Consistent response time

Lower flash consumption

Longer flash endurance

Lower \$/GB and \$/IOPS

Prioritised IO with Quality of Service

Different service levels by tenant / app

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Instantaneous response
Separate limits for each snap and LUN
Flexibility with new burst support
Supports all client types

Flash density

Dynamic Unified Pool - Flexible Drive Configurations

Minimum of 6 drives

Unified pool (block, file, VVols)

Flexibility

Low entry price

Lower cost of ownership

Expand with as few as 1 drive

RAID of the pools represented as R6 or R5, but different under the hood (done in software - this gets decided by the system depending on the configuration)

Spares are now built into the pool - rebuilds are a lot faster

u64 filesystem

256TB scale-up file system

inline compression

file system shrink - reclaim free blocks and shrink file system to reflect new capacity

VMware integrated - full clones and space reserve through VAAI

Multi-tenant NAS servers - independent multi-tenant file stack with ability to set duplicate IP addresses

Cloud archiving and tiering - policy based transparent archival of files to public or private cloud (cloud tiering appliance)

Forever Snapshots: Flexible Low Cost Data Protection

Local -> Remote -> Cloud

Use S3 (cheaper than EC2/EBS)

Support Azure, Amazon, Virtustream, ECS (for file, block support coming)

Thin Clones: For Test, Dev, Analytics and More

Quickly create a fully populated copy of LUN

Shares same data blocks as original LUN (deduplicated)

Independent snapshot and replication topology

Enable separate QoS Limit on each clone and original LUN

Built-in Migration from VNX

FC, iSCSI, NFS and SMB migration from VNX arrays

Built-in solution: self-service without requiring any third-party tool

Migrates LUNs, filesystems, quotas, ACLs, and exports

Transparent to file applications, minimally disruptive for block

CloudIQ

single pane of glass to monitor multiple arrays across the world

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access from anywhere - just need laptop / tablet and internet
cloud-based - no need to setup servers and VPN access
Pro-active analysis and support
Support planning and optimisation

HTML-5 Unisphere
VMware VASA and VAAI
REST API, SNMP & SMI-S
Operational Support

[demo - Wei Chen]
256 snapshots per object (volume)
LUNs thin by default (option to allocate if required)

Options for replication?
Support for SRM
Async replication (snap diff) same for file and block (down to 5 minutes)
Mirror capability (ack on both sides)
Looking to do a metro solution for file at the end of this year