



Hyper-converged Solutions powered by DataCore Software and Dell PowerEdge Servers



Simple, Powerful & Scalable Solutions for Business Critical Applications

Companies need better performance and higher SLAs from their key applications. Hyper-converged infrastructure promises a faster and more reliable architecture for these applications. DataCore™ hyper-converged Virtual SAN software cost-efficiently delivers a highly available and high performance infrastructure for virtualized applications. Compared to other hyper-converged products, DataCore offers the following advantages:

- Integrates with existing storage infrastructure
- RAM for I/O acceleration, with more performance compared to Flash
- Scale-out storage by adding nodes or utilizing SAN

The net result is better performance and availability for databases, VDI and other virtualized applications.

Lowest TCO Hyper-converged Solution

The DataCore / Dell™ validated hyper-converged solution is easy to setup, manage & scale for a wide variety of business workloads. The solution provides the following advantages:

- Fast deployment with DataCore's advance Smart Deployment wizard
- High performance, reliable PowerEdge servers from Dell
- Only 2 nodes needed for HA and stretch clusters; scales out to 64 nodes

The DataCore SDS platform, at the heart of the solution, integrates all storage, including hyper-converged, SAN and cloud storage to eliminate storage silos and future-proof your investment.

DataCore Hyper-converged Virtual SAN Benefits:





- HA requires only 2 nodes
- Built-in stretch cluster support
- RAM for I/O Acceleration
- Flash storage is optional
- Scale-out storage capacity with SAN or cloud storage
- Support for all major hypervisors
- Integrated architecture for non-virtual environments



Use cases

| | High-Performance Database and Analytics | Remote Office / Branch Office (ROBO) Sites | Disaster Recovery / Long-term Archive | Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI) |
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| Needs | Deliver predictable performance and scalability to support high-performance tier 1 applications | Simplify remote infrastructure and centrally manage with enterprise availability. | Ensure business continuity, prevent downtime and automate recovery operations | Make VDI predictable, cost-effective and risk-free, scaling users with ease. |
| Challenges | Providing infrastructure for reliable application performance of latency sensitive applications is hard to do, expensive and difficult to scale. | Dedicating Infrastructure at Remote Sites is too expensive for high availability and difficult to setup & manage. | Deploying reliable storage Infrastructure for Disaster Recovery and Archiving is too expensive. | Scaling storage I/O to meet the demands of VDI is expensive and leads to user complaints on performance |
| Solutions | DataCore powered Dell Servers are optimized for performance with its High-Speed Caching, Random Write Accelerator and Auto-Tiering; all utilized to increase I/O & decrease latency. | DataCore powered Dell Servers provide a highly available storage infrastructure with only 2 servers, which reduces TCO and eliminates storage complexity. | DataCore powered Dell Servers provide low entry-point & better reliability for both disaster recovery and for long-term Archiving purposes. | DataCore powered Dell Servers provide a low-cost, high-performance and scalable storage infrastructure to meet the demands of a growing VDI deployment |

* Sync mirroring, Async Replication, Auto-Tiering, Random Write Accelerator, High-Speed Caching, CDP, Deduplication/ Compression, Thin provisioning, Cloud Integration, Centralized Management, NAS/ SAN (Unified Storage support), Analysis & Reporting, etc

| Use Case | Base Hardware Configuration | 2 Node Summary | 64 Node Summary |
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| High-Performance Database and Analytics |  Dell PowerEdge R730xd CPU 2 x Intel® Xeon® E5-2695 v3 2.3 GHz (14 cores each) Memory 24 x 32 GB RAM Flash 2 x 3.2 TB PCIe Disk 12 x 6 TB 7.2K RPM NL-SAS Optional Dell/Brocade 6505 (16Gb Fibre Channel) or Dell PowerConnect N4032 (10Gb iSCSI) | Up to 1,000,000 IOPS Compute: 116 Ghz • 56 cores RAM: 1,536 GB Storage Capacity: 132.8 TB • 12.8 TB Flash (PCIe) • 120 TB NL-SAS | Up to 32,000,000 IOPS Compute: 3712 Ghz • 1,792 cores RAM: 49,152 GB Storage Capacity: 4250 TB • 409.6 TB Flash (PCIe) • 3840 TB NL-SAS |
| Remote Office / Branch Office (ROBO) Sites |  Dell PowerEdge R730xd CPU 2 x Intel® Xeon® E5-2660 v3 2.6 GHz (10 cores each) Memory 12 x 32 GB RAM Flash 4 x 800 GB SSD Disk 12 x 2 TB 7.2K RPM NL-SAS Optional Dell/Brocade 6505 (16Gb Fibre Channel) or Dell PowerConnect N4032 (10Gb iSCSI) | Up to 500,000 IOPS Compute: 94 Ghz • 40 cores RAM: 768 GB Storage Capacity: 43.2 TB • Flash: 3.2 TB (SSD) • 40 TB NL-SAS | Up to 16,000,000 IOPS Compute: 3008 Ghz • 1,280 cores RAM: 24,576 GB Storage Capacity: 1,382.4 TB • Flash: 102.4 TB (SSD) • 1,280 TB NL-SAS |
| Disaster Recovery/ Long-Term Archive |  Dell PowerEdge R730xd CPU 2 x Intel® Xeon® E5-2630 v3 2.4 GHz (8 cores each) Memory 8 x 16 GB RAM Disk 16 x 6 TB 7.2K RPM NL-SAS Optional Dell/Brocade 6505 (16Gb Fibre Channel) or Dell PowerConnect N4032 (10Gb iSCSI) | Up to 100,000 IOPS Compute: 69 Ghz • 32 cores RAM: 256 GB Storage Capacity: 168 TB • 0 TB Flash • 168 TB NL-SAS | Up to 3,200,000 IOPS Compute: 2208 Ghz • 1,024 cores RAM: 8,192 GB Storage Capacity: 5,376 TB • 0 TB Flash • 5,376 TB NL-SAS |
| Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI) |  Dell PowerEdge R730xd CPU 2 x Intel® Xeon® E5-2695 v3 2.3 GHz (14 cores each) Memory 24 x 32 GB RAM Flash 1 x 3.2 TB PCIe Disk 12 x 1 TB 7.2K RPM NL-SAS Optional Dell/Brocade 6505 (16 Gb Fibre Channel) or Dell PowerConnect N4032 (10 Gb iSCSI) | Up to 750,000 IOPS Compute: 116 Ghz • 56 cores RAM: 1,536 GB Storage Capacity: 28.4 TB • 6.4 TB Flash (PCIe) • 22 TB NL-SAS | Up to 24,000,000 IOPS Compute: 3712 Ghz • 1,792 cores RAM: 49,152 GB Storage Capacity: 908.8 TB • 204.8 TB Flash (PCIe) • 704 TB NL-SAS |
| Performance Notes: | Storage performance ratings per node would be half of the 2 node case and IOPS scale beyond 2 nodes linearly to 64 nodes. Storage performance based on IOMeter using 4K blocks with mixed R/W workloads and scales linearly. Total compute is based on 90% of total available CPU capacity. | | |



Case Study - Retail Solution for Large Restaurant Chain (ROBO)

A large restaurant chain with over a thousand locations wanted a highly available, small footprint & low cost infrastructure. The company runs a number of applications on-site (point-of-sale, order scheduling, etc.) because it cannot have its restaurants grind to a halt due to data center or WAN outages.

They wanted a solution that didn't lock them into a particular hardware vendor and supported a lower cost virtualization platform (in this case Microsoft Hyper-V™). They evaluated many alternatives before deciding that DataCore Hyper-converged Virtual SAN was the right solution. In addition to being hardware & hypervisor agnostic, DataCore only needs two servers for HA (compared to three or four nodes for other products), accelerates I/O using RAM directly on the servers (eliminating the need for Flash storage, reducing costs) and supports auto-tiering, allowing a mix of flash and disk if even more performance is required. By dramatically reducing costs, as well as the space needed for a highly available infrastructure, DataCore Virtual SAN is the ideal solution for remote and branch sites.

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