

IBM Spectrum Scale Strategy

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IBM's Global Data Platform for File & Object Data



HPC



AI / ML



Analytics



Enterprise



Containers



Backup / Archive

1 Data Access Services

Big Data

HDFS

Extreme
Performance
File

GFS POSIX

High
performance
object

S3

Network
attached

NFS / SMB

High
Performance
Containers

CSI CSNA

2 Data Caching Services

Global Data Platform

(powered by Spectrum Scale)

Local Cache

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Investment protection



File & Object
Storage
(NetApp, PowerScale, etc)

Object Storage



IBM COS

File Storage



Spectrum Scale

NextGen workloads



Spectrum Fusion

3 Data Management Services

4 Data Security Services

Identify



Protect



Detect



Respond



Recover



IBM Spectrum Scale – Accomplishments over last 12 months



Access Services

Modernizing and Containerizing protocols

- High Performance S3

Machine Learning / AI / GPU acceleration

- Maximize GPU performance for Enterprise AI and Analytic environments

Containerization

- Spectrum Fusion SDS/HCI



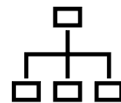
Caching Services

Spectrum Scale AFM

- Policy-based tiering to object storage: AWS, Azure, Google

Performance and Scalability

- ESS 3500 – NVME performance, HDD Hybrid/ Capacity
- Throughput and IOPS improvements



Management Services

Visibility, control and automation

- Ease of use and Automation
- Ansible playbooks
- Proactive monitoring

Reliability Availability & Serviceability (RAS)

- Call Home: protocols and network



Security Services

Security

- Multifactor authentication
- Additional QRadar integration: Access Denied events

Resiliency

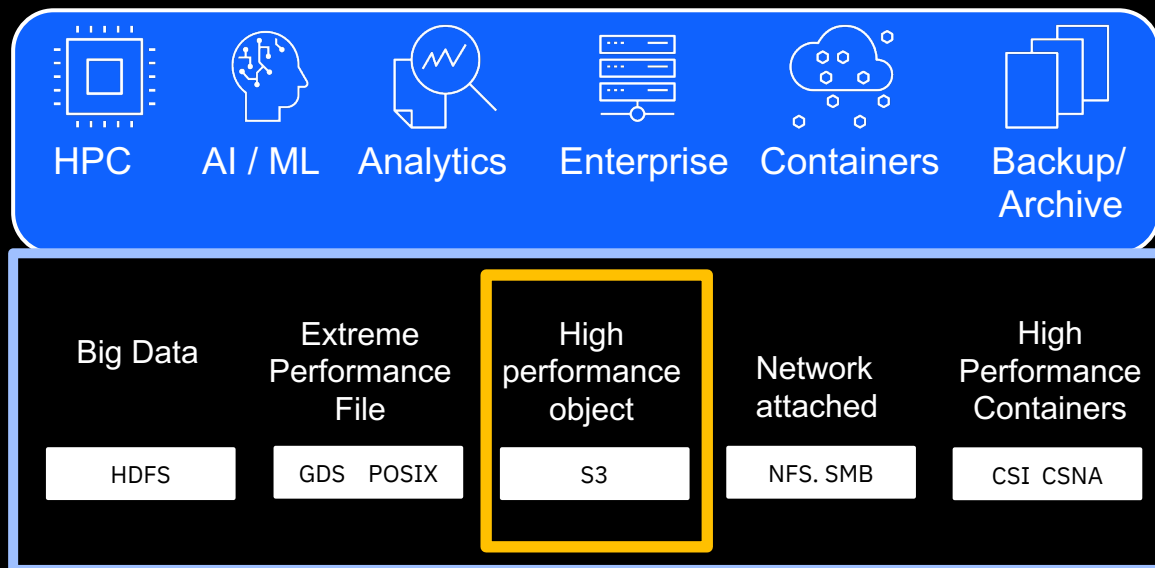
- Storage Cyber Resiliency Assessment Tool
- Cyber Incident Response Storage Assessment

Ingest or access data with high performance S3 interface

IBM Spectrum Scale Data Access Services (DAS) - - High Performance Object Protocol

- fast AI results for S3 cloud native applications
- scalable solution for ingesting high performance S3 object data from remote locations
- scale performance and capacity as needed
- container native deployment for easy OpenShift integration
- applications can now optimize with the interface they need to access all the data they require (example: ingest S3 and access via file)*

GB/s to TB/s performance for S3 object data



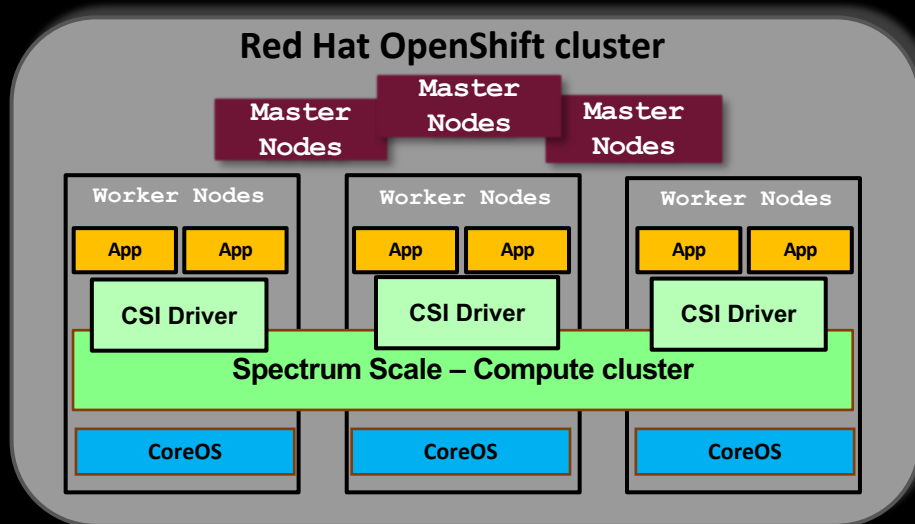
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Container Native Storage Access

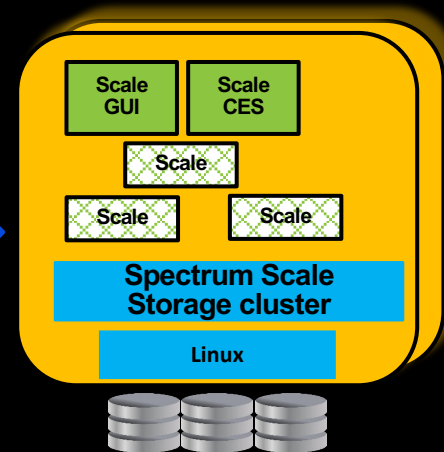
<https://www.spectrumscaleug.org/event/ssugdigital-persistent-storage-for-containers-with-spectrum-scale/>



Spectrum Scale in a container + CSI



Existing Spectrum Scale storage cluster
(non-containerized)



Scalability:

Containerized compute cluster can scale with the OpenShift cluster

Speed:

R/W benchmarks of Spectrum Scale CSI have shown same performance as non-containerized Spectrum Scale

Container Native:

Classic Spectrum Scale has been separated into its fundamental components and built from the ground up with containerization of each component in mind. Spectrum Scale now 'lives' next to customer application containers.

Automation:

Spectrum Scale and CSI operators allow automated cluster and storage provisioning

Flexibility:

Existing Spectrum Scale, ESS, ECE, clusters are used as storage via a remote mount, independent of OpenShift

Open standards:

CSI provides an open standard for direct access to Spectrum Scale storage

Spectrum Scale Active File Management - Transparent data caching , enabling tiering and sharing of data across clusters

- **Investment protection** - Break down storage silos, easily leverage multi-vendor and multi-cloud resources
- **Increase application agility** - Accessing data from edge to core to cloud
- **Quickly scale your data** - From resources you choose with performance you require
- **Faster access to remote data** - transparently caching remote data locally when needed

Spectrum Scale AFM – Use Cases



Data Virtualization

- Integrate legacy file and object data stores into a single file system to breakdown legacy data silos
- Create a **High-Performance Tier** for analytics



Data Collaboration

- Geo-distributed collaboration on data transparently shared between data centers, the cloud and edge sites
- Consistent cache provides a single source of truth with no stale data copies



Data Resilience

- Provides a Disaster Recovery solution for business continuity
- Air gap solution for DR
- Create an Active-Passive site relationship with failover and automatic data reconciliation on failback



Hybrid cloud / Bursting

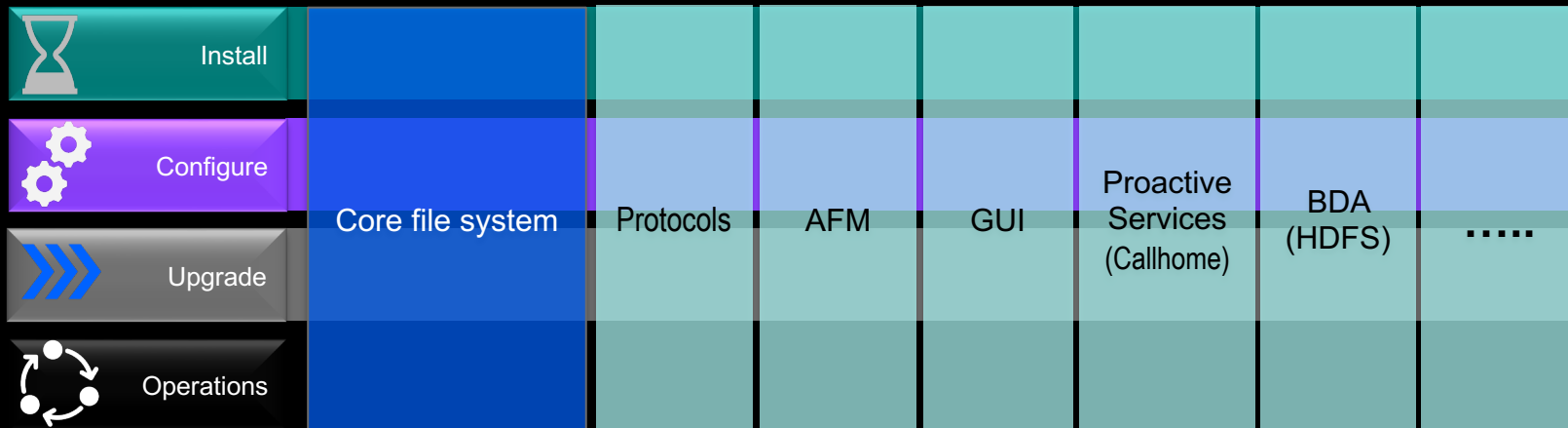
- Dynamically increase computation resources in the cloud or at another site
- Burst site sees all data at home site and fetches data transparently on demand

Spectrum Scale DevOps: Strategy



Reusable infrastructure

Extend to provide administrative commands, ready for further reuse

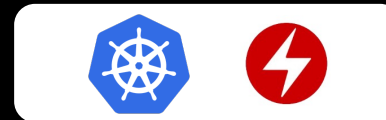


DevOps beyond Core FS:

- Protocols
- AFM
- GUI/Health
- Erasure Code Edition



ReST Interface



Operators

Spectrum Scale on the Cloud

Access Data from Multiple Interfaces
Access Data from Many Sources
Deliver on the Value of Spectrum Scale

Hybrid Cloud Use Cases

- Backup / Archive
- Tiering
- Bursting
- Data Sharing

Deployment Models

- Lift and shift
- Container Native
- Managed Service
- Hybrid

Workload Enablement

- Analytics, AI, Containers

Ecosystem Integration

Data Sources
and Locations



File and
Object



Kubernetes



Edge



Core Data
Center



Public
Cloud



Tape/Cloud

Data and AI
Outcomes

POSIX /
GDS



High
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Cloud
Native S3



Backup /
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Enterprise Apps

HDFS

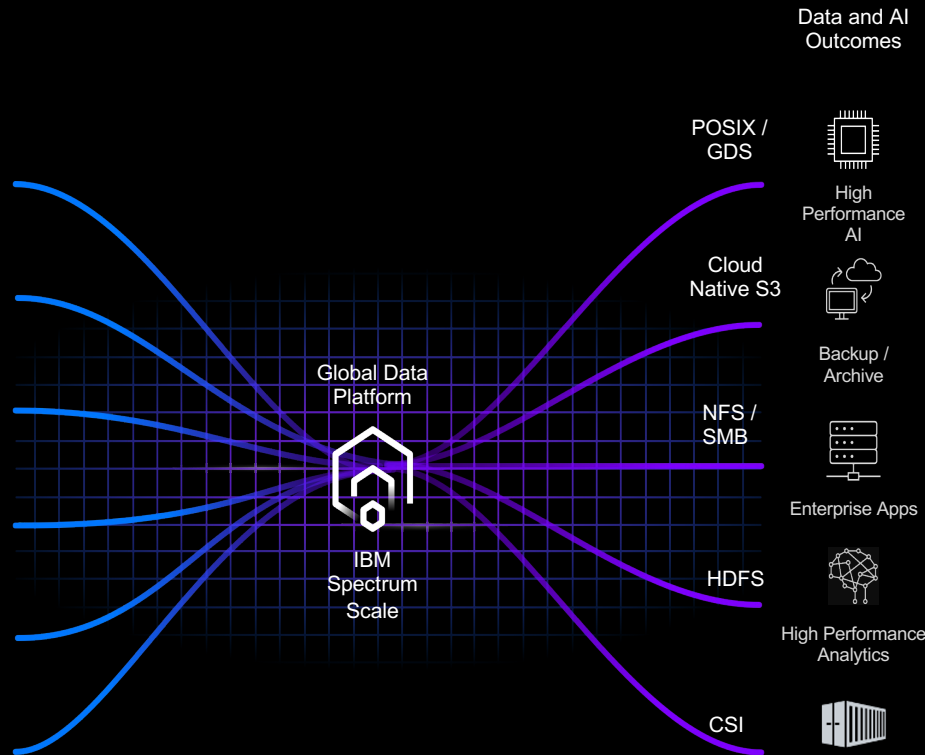


High Performance
Analytics

CSI



Containers
Hybrid Cloud



IO500 Benchmark (10 client Nodes) ESS3200 – 2 Building Blocks	Starting Baseline Prefetch Enabled (default) with 5.1.2	SC21 Submission * Prefetch Disabled with 5.1.2	ISC22 Submission** Prefetch Enabled (default) + hints with 5.1.3
ior-easy-write	103.6	106.4	109.47
mdtest-easy-write	187.9	195.6	174.86
ior-hard-write	3.2	4.3	32.7
mdtest-hard-write	19.3	22.3	22.12
find	2469.3	1185.2	2113.28
ior-easy-read	149.6	88.1	148.93
mdtest-easy-stat	267.2	272.2	335.48
ior-hard-read	1.9	29.3	28.77
mdtest-hard-stat	264.7	266.9	340.53
mdtest-easy-delete	114.2	113.4	174.19
mdtest-hard-read	251.3	205.4	407.59
mdtest-hard-delete	22.3	20.5	29.73
BW Score	17.5	33.0	62.58
IOPS Score	158.9	143.5	193.58
Total Score	52.8	68.8	110.07

IOR Bandwidth – GiB/s
mdtest/find - kIOPS

Improvements Result from:

- Configuration and Tuning
- Code Changes to Improve Performance (e.g. hints)

➤ Newly Added Hints Called from Benchmark:

- IOR hard read – FGRS hint
- IOR hard write – FGWS hint

* SC21 list: <https://io500.org/list/sc21/ten>

** ISC22 list: <https://io500.org/list/isc22/ten>

IBM Elastic Storage System 3500

The simplest and fastest way to deploy a global data platform for AI and Hybrid Cloud workloads

Manage next generation and traditional workloads with simultaneous high-performance file and object data access services to the same data

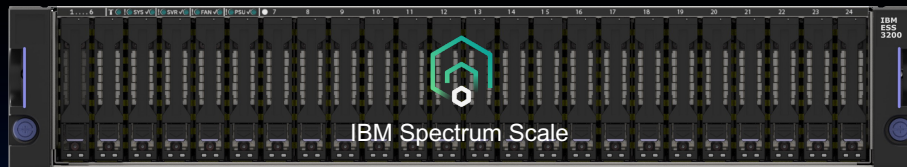
Optimize local and remote access and simplify DR with global hybrid cloud data services

Speed access to critical data with Intelligent and automated data management services

Protect against cyber threats with Cyber-secure data services for unstructured data including end to end encryption and identification to recovery

Lower RTO times with proven data protection and data resiliency services

IBM Breaks Storage Performance Barriers for AI and Hybrid Cloud Workloads and Accelerates Recovery Times for Cyber Threats



up to **500+YB** per cluster

up to **30M IOPS** per rack

up to **91GB/s** per node

up to **1.8TB+/s** per rack

IDENTIFY



- Cyber Resiliency Assessment Tool, Probes 100s of different controls and best practices

PROTECT



- Multifactor Auth, RBAC, Privileged Access Monitoring (IBM Security Verify)
- Immutable snapshots, Logical air gap
- Scan snapshots for signs of ransomware
- Log all Admin & user actions

IBM Global Data Platform



RECOVER



- Instant Restore with Spectrum Scale AFM
- Spectrum Scale and Spectrum Protect – recover multi-petabyte filesystems in hours
- QRadar Incident Forensics

DETECT



- QRadar and Splunk SIEM integration
- File Audit Logging, Watch Folders
- Analyze backup data for signs of ransomware (Spectrum Protect)
- Reporting: QRadar User behavior analytics

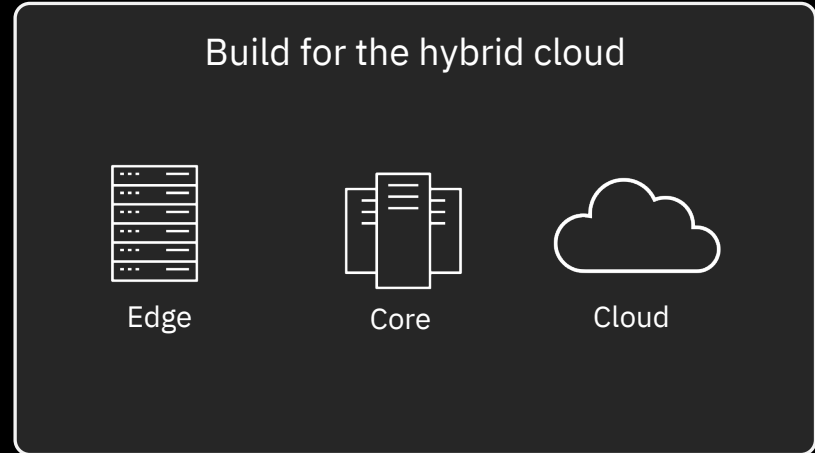
RESPOND



- Automated action upon threat detection (QRadar)
 - Snapshot, Block Session , Etc..
- Alerts automatically prioritized based severity of the threat and criticality of the assets involved

Data Management Services to address distributed storage challenges and optimize time to result

- Virtually connect data end points and simplifying access pattern over any data to
 - Abstract data access across global data platform
 - reduce data copies
- Maintain only a single copy of the data with one global namespace
- Prefetch and Tier data to the right Storage tier to meet user requirements
- Provides and activates global automatic policy enforcement for increased data protection
- Utilizes augmentation of metadata to enable dynamic, intelligent and automated data orchestration
- Provides automatic enrichment to contextualize data with semantics and knowledge

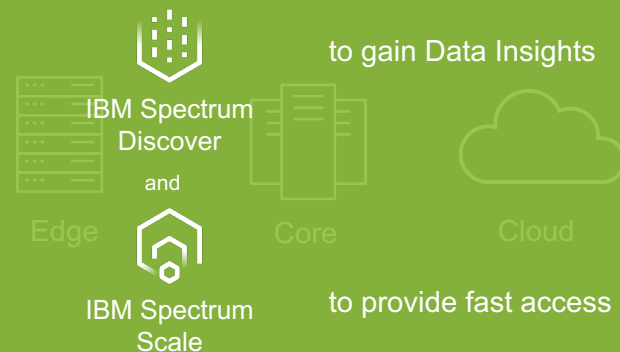


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Distributed storage abstraction by combining:



WHAT?

last one... honest!

A new software defined IBM Spectrum Fusion

Integrated OpenShift
data services platform



**IBM Spectrum
Fusion HCI**

NEW

OpenShift data services
platform software



vmware®

**IBM Spectrum
Fusion**

Coming attractions

OpenShift data services platform
software on Public Cloud



**IBM Spectrum
Fusion**

Spectrum Fusion HCI

Turnkey Red Hat OCP private cloud

- Fast to deploy, simple to scale and manage
- Optimized for containers

Kubernetes-native data services

- CSI and CNI
- High performance parallel file system

Integrated backup/restore

- Backup persistent data to remote vSnap & S3
- Policy driven backups



Key Solution Features

1. Bare metal OpenShift

- Eliminates cost, performance, and management overhead of unneeded hypervisor

2. Commodity x86 storage rich 1U servers

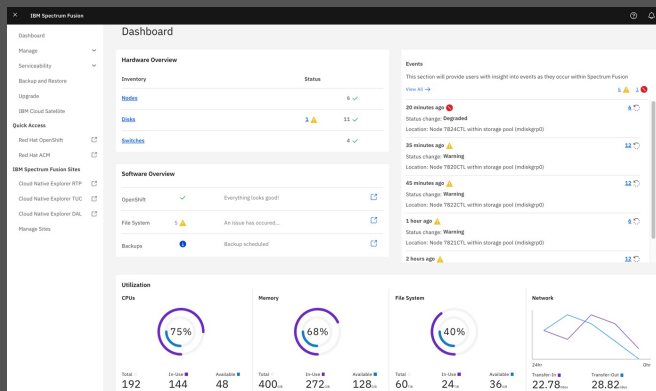
- Populated with high performance NVMe flash drives

3. NVIDIA A100 GPUs to accelerate AI/ML

4. Global data platform services

- Eliminate duplicate data and ad-hoc data management
- Transparently access data anywhere

5. Single point of contact for solution support





<https://www.ibm.com/storage/artificial-intelligence>