TOP REASONS WHY CUSTOMERS DEPLOY DELL EMC UNITY HYBRID

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Dell EMC Unity represents the ultimate in storage simplicity and value in the midrange hybrid storage market by harnessing the performance of all-flash and the economics benefits of disk. These Hybrid arrays come with application integration, cloud management, inline data reduction efficiencies, and all-inclusive software to deliver the best combination of hybrid performance and efficiency cost.

1 | Hybrid Efficiency

The Dell EMC Unity Hybrid array delivers the performance of flash at the cost effectiveness of disk. These Hybrid systems take advantage of Dell EMC Fully Automated Storage Tiering for Virtual Pools (FAST VP™) for auto-tiering and FAST Cache™ SSD caching software to intelligently leverage how flash is implemented to increase performance. Dell EMC Unity Hybrid arrays feature smarter tuning, with a high capacity 3.2 TB Flash drives, Flash drives, inline compression for all-flash pools, and support the ability to dynamically shrink or expand FAST Cache online.

2 | Unmatched Simplicity

Dell EMC Unity represents the ultimate in in storage simplicity. These systems are *simple to setup* – you can perform a rack and stack installation in just a few minutes and in 15 minutes you're configured; *simple to use* – experience an intuitive HTML5 Unisphere™ interface with improved VMware and Microsoft integrations; *simple to service/support* – you get a built-in self-service portal with features and capabilities that easily help you resolve issues faster.

3 | Cloud Management

Dell EMC Unity provides integrated cloud management platform with capabilities for IT to stay connected and resolve problems faster than before. CloudIQ is a no cost software as a service management application that proactively monitors and measures the overall health of Dell EMC storage systems through intelligent, comprehensive, and predictive analytics.

4 | All-Inclusive Software

Hybrid configurations include all the software you need to easily consolidate and manage virtualized application workloads. Dell EMC Unity's all-inclusive software includes HTML5 Unisphere Management Suite, inline compression, deduplication and zero detect for file and block, unified protocols (file, block, VVols), unified snapshots and thin clones with Dell EMC AppSync integration, encryption, native replication, AppSync and RecoverPoint Basic, RecoverPoint for VMs, and a 180 day free VPLEX migration license. Optional Dell EMC software includes VPLEX, PowerPath, Data Protection platforms, and Advanced AppSync and RecoverPoint solutions.

5 | Tiering to the Cloud

IT can improve business efficiency by seamlessly tiering inactive files and archive block snapshots to VirtuStream, Microsoft Azure, or Amazon S3 public clouds. CTA also supports the same block archiving and file tiering capabilities to the Dell EMC private cloud – Elastic Cloud Storage (ECS). Customers can take advantage of CTA's ability to automate repository migrations among these cloud providers as business and platform requirements change.

6 | Scalable File System

Dell EMC Unity Hybrid supports enterprise and transactional NAS use cases with a new 256TBu file system. The UFS64 file system includes up to 256 independent VMDK clones, 16 thin clones, space efficient snapshots with a simple space reclaim and low IO impact, file system shrink that can reclaim free blocks, simplified Quotas for User, Tree and Group Quotas, and faster failovers with in-memory log replay for faster and non-disruptive failovers.

7 | Software Defined Storage

The Dell EMC Unity Virtual Software Appliance (Dell EMC UnityVSA™) software provides the advanced unified storage and data management features of the hardware product family, including software functionality, while being easily deployed on a VMware ESXi server. Users can create shared storage with NAS and iSCSI SAN storage protocols and data services compatible with hardware platforms, and deploy on industry-standard server hardware. With the flexibility of software-defined storage, users can quickly and easily deploy the VSA for a variety of uses including ROBO, test and development and embedded applications, while maintaining full compatibility with their Dell EMC Unity hardware platforms.

8 | Deployment Flexibility

Deployment flexibility recognizes that customers have different budget and operational requirements. Dell EMC Unity is offered as a software-defined virtual storage appliance or as a purpose-built all-flash or hybrid configuration. It is also delivered as part of a converged infrastructure solution with Dell EMC VBlock™ when IT prefers to purchase servers, networks, and storage together at the same time.

9 | Application Integration

Building on its leading midrange performance and simplicity foundation, Dell EMC Unity Hybrid arrays leverage space efficient snapshot and thin clone technology to integrate with AppSync to deliver integrated copy data management for the midmarket. These efficiency technologies abstract the copy operations as a metadata operation without intruding on back-end resources. The integration of AppSync and Dell EMC Unity All-Flash allows instant, high performance copies of any data set for many Small-to-Medium Business applications, with data services like inline compression, and thin provisioning, with no impact on production or other copies. Every customer who makes copies of an application or database for development or testing purposes, operations, analytics, and/or data protection will benefit dramatically from a Dell EMC iCDM solution.

10 | Enterprise Solution Ready

Dell EMC Unity Hybrid arrays continue the legacy of Dell EMC midrange storage enabling IT to cost effectively consolidate and manage enterprise file and transactional workloads, over NAS and SAN, into a single storage system. With powerful VMware, Microsoft, and OpenStack virtualization integration, they meet the performance, scalability, and data protection needs of demanding mixed workload environments.

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