

The Changing World with WDC

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- A data storage leader
- "Under the hood" of major OEMs
- Millions of devices shipped annually

VALUE



- Among the highest SSD/HDD MTBF rates
- Certified solutions (Msft, Oracle, VMware)
- Single source for storage devices & systems

INNOVATION



- 12,000+ active patents, 500 new/yr
- \$2.5 billion invested annually in R&D
- Leader in Open Community initiatives

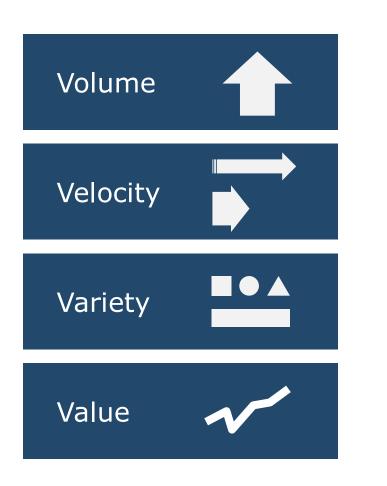


Broad Storage Portfolio

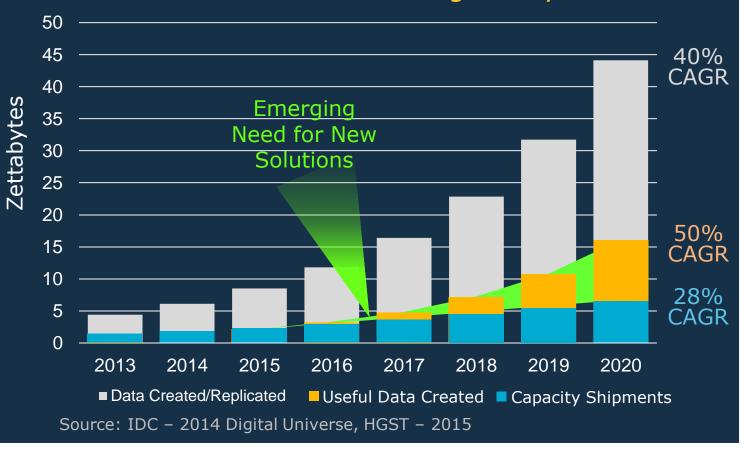


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Growth in Data



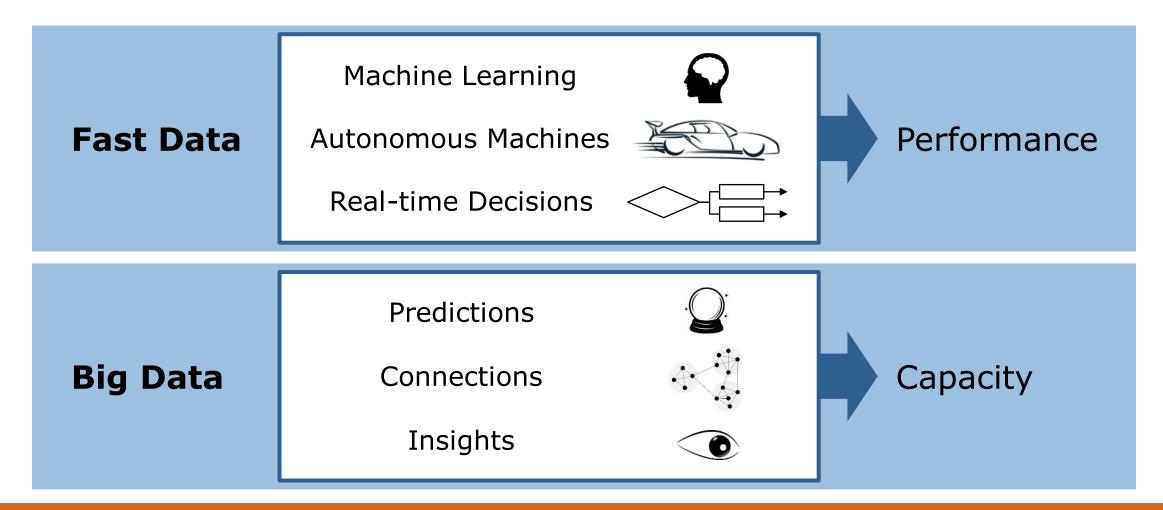
Growth in Useful Data Exceeding Ability to Store



Changing Nature of Data Driving New Demands in Data Storage



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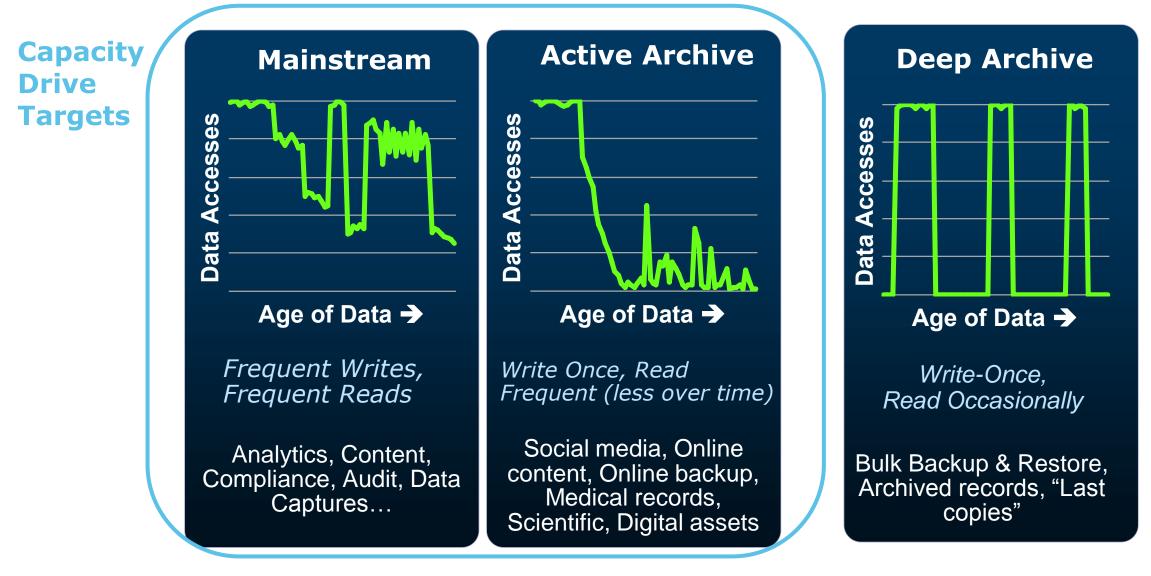


Fast Data and Big Data Driving Increased Demands on Storage



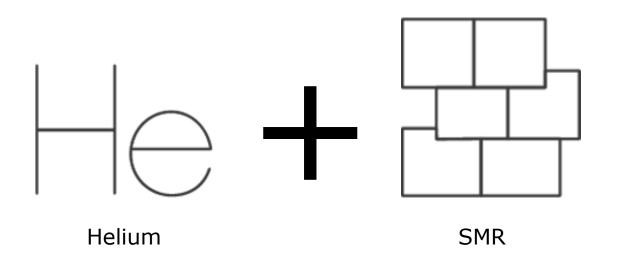
Different Storage Applications

Emerging Customer Viewpoint



High Capacity SMR Solution: HGST Ha10

- Combines Helium & SMR
- Achieves Industry First 10TB Capacity Point
- Enterprise Grade Quality & Reliability

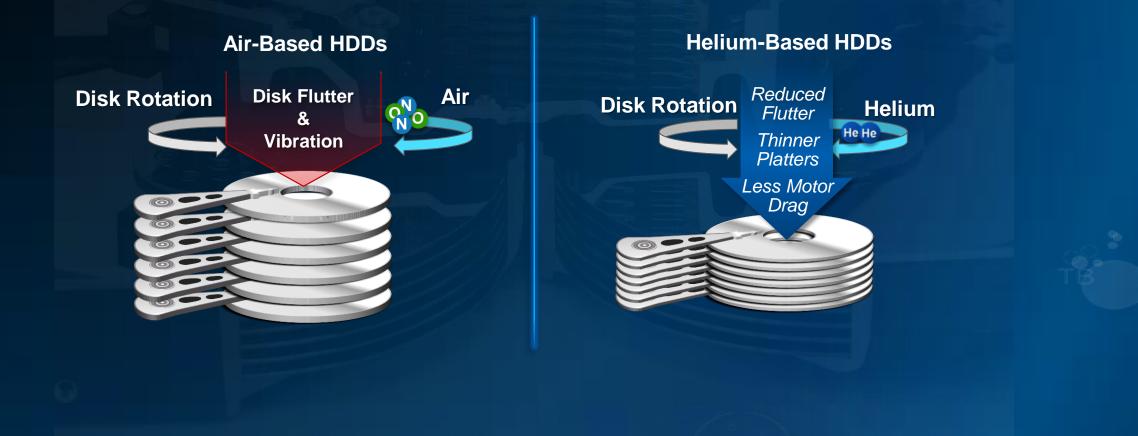




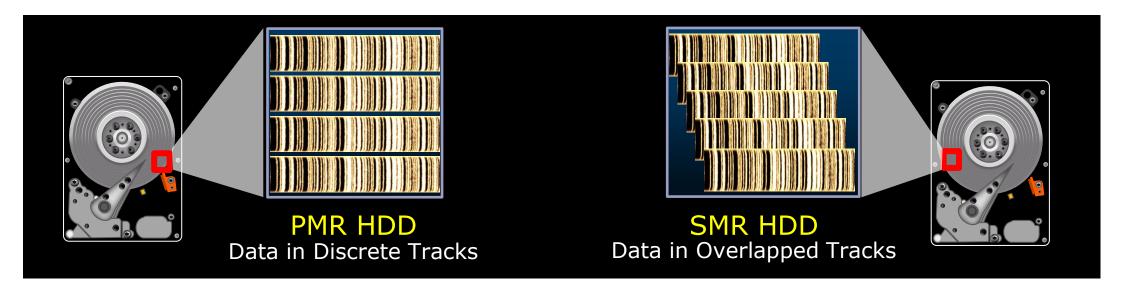


Helium Benefits: Helium vs. Air HDDs

It begins with Helium being 1/7th the density of air



SMR: A Fundamentally Higher Capacity Drive



25% More Capacity

Host-Managed SMR

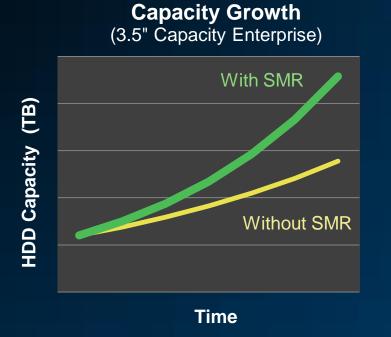
- Host software changes required
- Predictable performance
- Sequential Workload

Host-Aware SMR

- Host software changes recommended
- Performance can vary
- Random Writes Supported



The SMR Advantage It's much more than just higher capacities



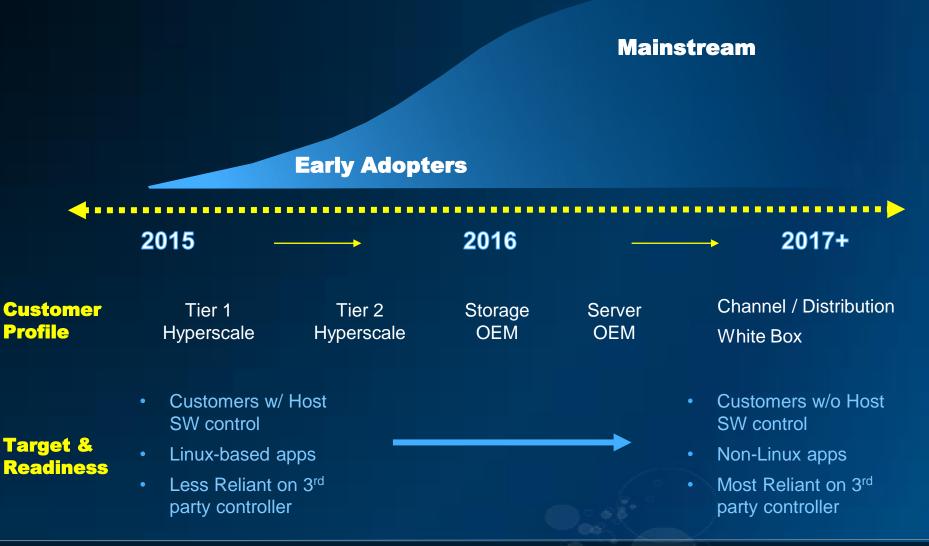
Areal Density Accelerator

- Much higher track density
- Overall AD growth 25%/Y vs. 15%/Y
- Provides a scalable path to future SMR products & recording technologies



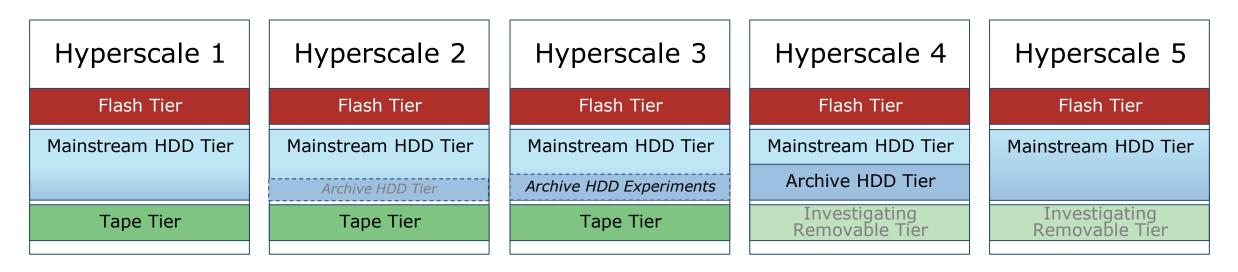
Market Adoption of Host-Managed SMR

Customer Readiness





The Evolving Face of Hyperscale HDD Tiering



HDD Usage in the Hyperscale is Evolving

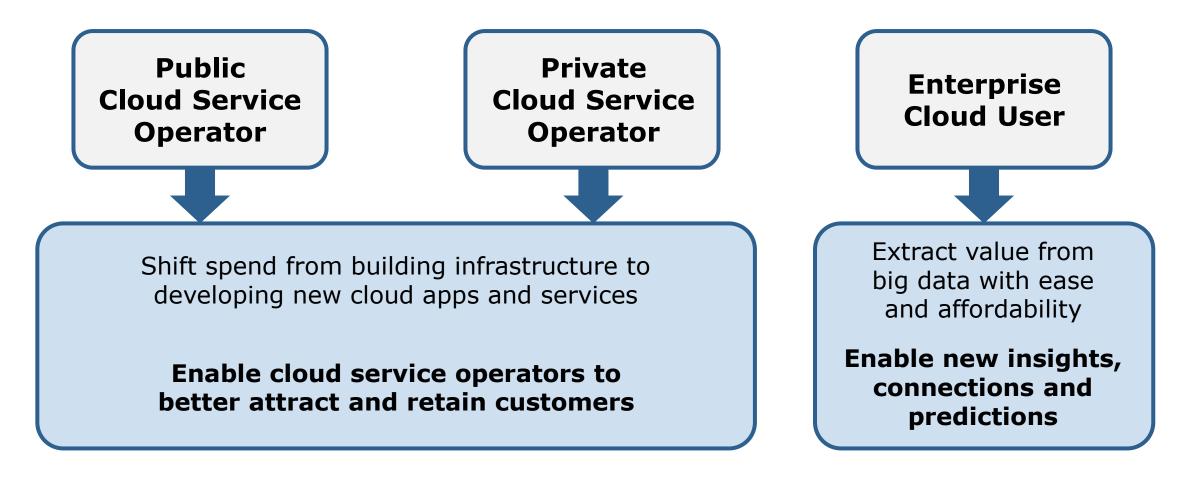
- Some of the largest hyperscale deployments are eliminating multiple tiers of HDD storage
 - Better addresses workloads and services
 - Higher efficiencies
- Active archiving and multiple HDD tiers still key
 - Application-specific cloud service providers
 - Specific vertical market data centers
 - Hybrid cloud, traditional IT

Tape Has A Place in Hyperscale

- Tape provides great economic justification at very large scale
- At scale, tape provides lowest TCO-burdened \$/TB
- Latency prevents tape from being used for active data or active archive data
 - Ideal for largest of data sets and for "last copies" of data where "hours" of latency is acceptable
- Active Archive HDD systems and tape are compatible and serve different purposes



Accelerating Success for Cloud Datacenters



Western Digital Enables Cloud Datacenter Operators and Users to Transform Their Business to Compete More Effectively in Today's Data Centric World



Alternatives for Building Cloud Scale Datacenters

	Software Development	System Integration	Turnkey Systems
Pros	Customized to NeedsTight Control	 No Development Cost Choice of HW & SW 	No Development CostEase of Deployment
Cons	Engineering CostsNo Shared Learning	Cost of IntegrationSupport Complexity	Less Choice of HWLess HW Leverage
Addressable Market			

Turnkey Systems Enable Broad Adoption of Cloud Without Hidden Costs



Broadest Range of Technology Building Blocks

System Architecture	Performance Block Storage	Performance File Storage	Active Archive Object Storage	
System Software	Cep	h	Object Storage	
Storage Platforms	HDD	SSD		
Storage Devices	HDD	SSD	Sabisk	

Delivering Unmatched Value Through Broad Points of Innovation



Object Store as Private Cloud

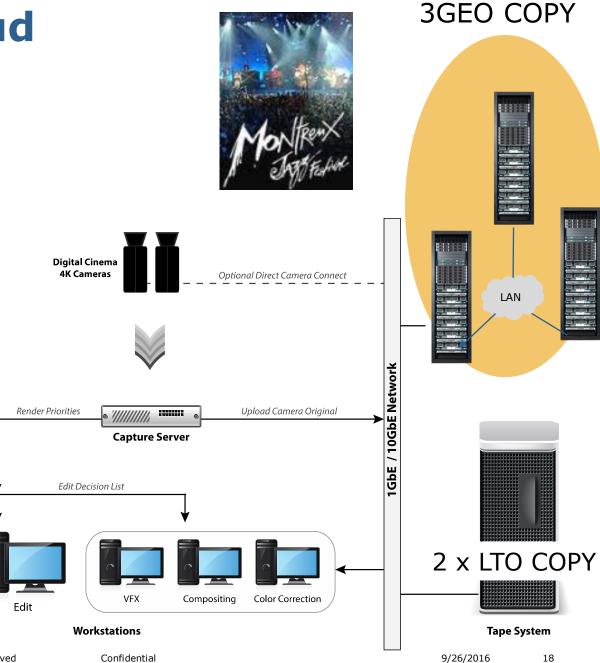
Montreux Festival

+45 years of Montreux Jazz festivals

- 5000 hours of high quality audio & video
- 3000 concerts descriptions
- Selected HGST Object Store as the scaleout Archive System for Copy 1
 - 2 More copies on LTO Tape

The 3 main objectives:

- Enable end-user access in a series of Jazz Café's
- Save the recordings 100 Year in a secure archive
- Make the archive available for cultural and scientific projects (live archive)











Hs¹⁴ Enterprise SMR Implementation

Choice of all SMR implementations

HGST SMR HDD	Host Managed SMR	Host Aware SMR	
	Host Managed SMR	Host Aware SMR	Drive Managed SMR
Customer View	100% ZBC/ZAC implementation is mandatory	100% or Partial ZBC/ZAC implementation	No SW change required



SMR SDK Released to the Community

Download Now: http://github.com/hgst



- Allows Linux apps access to Host-Managed SMR HDD
- Ensures new command sets flow through HBA
- Emulates Host Managed SMR on PMR drives

