



# Big Data Flash

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# About Western Digital Corporation



## TRUST



- 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

## Consumer

### Imaging



### WD Software



### microSD™ Cards & Mobile Storage



### Solid State Drives (internal and external)



### Wearable Audio



### USB Drives



## Mobile & Industrial

### Embedded & Removable



### Surveillance



## Client Computing

### Laptop, Desktop & Commercial SSDs



WD Black WD Blue

### Solid State Storage

#### FlashMAX® III PCIe



#### Ultrastar® SAS SSD



#### Ultrastar® SN100 NVMe PCIe

### HDD Storage



Ultrastar® He8 and He10



Ultrastar® Archive Ha10

## Data Center/Enterprise

### Active Archive System



WD Gold (Data center)



WD Red



### Tegile



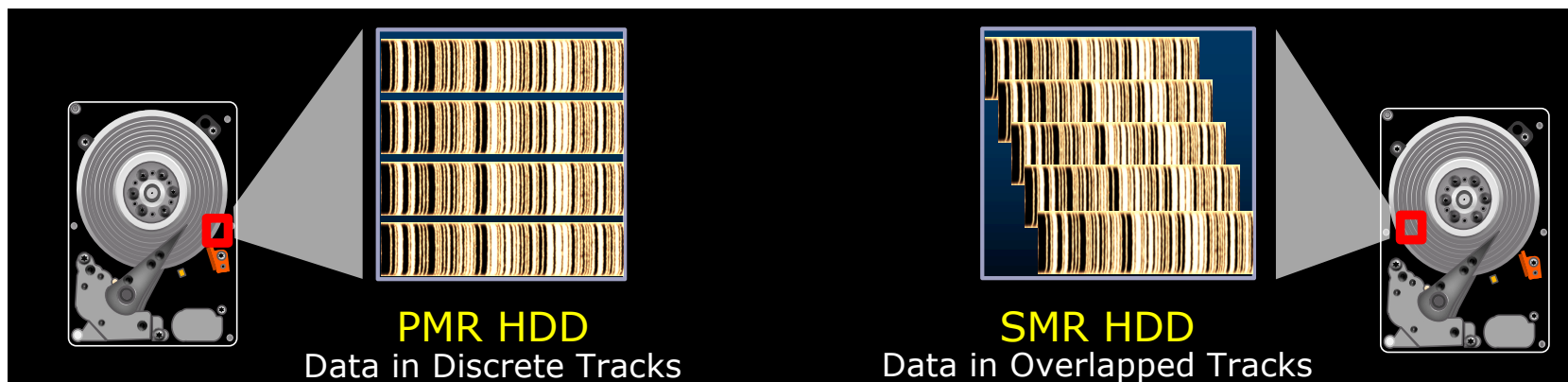
### FlashSoft® Software



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# Primer to WDC Media Offering (HDD)

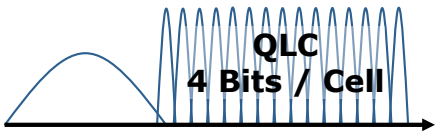
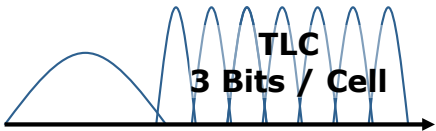
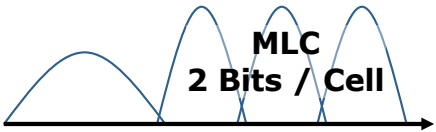


Capacity targets next 3 years

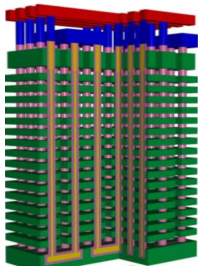
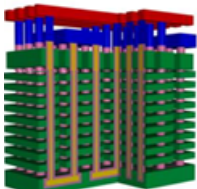


# Primer to WDC Media Offering (Flash)

Bits per Cell

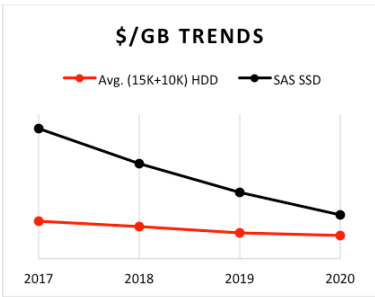
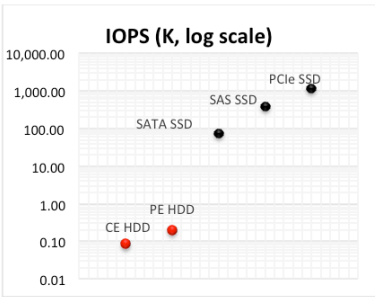


Layers



Rohit Gupta: SanDisk Blogger

<https://itblog.sandisk.com/hdds-vs-ssds-evolution-storage/>



# Primer to WDC Media Offering (NVMe 96 Layer, QLC)

Legal: The following are technology projections and not a specific product offerings

## Key Characteristics

Capacity: 100TB per 2.5"/15mm

Interface: PCIE/NVMe

Read/Write IOPS: 100K/25K (Large Seq Block )

WORM (Write Once): 15+years

Write Seldom (<60): 10+years

Throughput (R/W): 4GB/s up to 1GB/s

Power (goal) : 12w( Full write), 6-9w (mixed workload), less than 2w (Idle)

\*\* Power Management can reduce avg power use significantly

# Competitive Comparison (HDD vs SSD)

Spec	HDD (14TB)	LTO8	96L QLC	Ratio SSD
Capacity	14TB	12.8TB	100TB	7x / 7.8x
Uncompressed W	180MB/s	470MB/s	1GB/s	5x, 2x
Uncompressed R	200MB/s	470MB/s	4GB/s	27x, 10x
Power Operating	7w	*	9w (mixed)	
Power Idle	5w	0	2w**	

\* Based on tape drive, controller and robotics

\*\* Based on maintenance and potential Power Management



# A System Level View

## Rack Level Comparison (40U Usable rack space)

- HDD Rack – 4U Server w/ 60HDD
- Tape –Quantum Scaler i6000 extrapolated using LTO8
- QLC Rack - 1 2U Server + 3x 2U PCIE Storage Chassis (96 SSD in 8U)

Spec	HDD	Tape	QLC
Capacity No Compression	8.4PB	10.5PB	48PB
Throughput/W	108GB/s	*Based on Drives	480GB/s
Throughput/R	120GB/s	*Based on Drives	2.4TB/s
Throughput/M	12GB/s	*Based on Drives	*Based on Mix 400GB/s-2TB/s
Power Mixed	6KW	*	5KW
Power Idle	4.8KW	*	1.8KW

Network	Throughput (12 Uplinks)
10Gb	9.6GB/s
40Gb	36GB/s
100Gb	96GB/s
400Gb	384GB/s

# A System Level View

- **Limiting Factors**

- Network Bandwidth
  - All media can scale on the compute side to exceed Network Bandwidth @10Gb
  - Transition to 100Gb and faster, Only SSD justify /can fully utilize
- Software (not Optimized for Flash)
  - Object Based Erasure Coded/Compressed data to fully utilize and keep data
  - Resilient over 15+ years

- **Deployment Model**

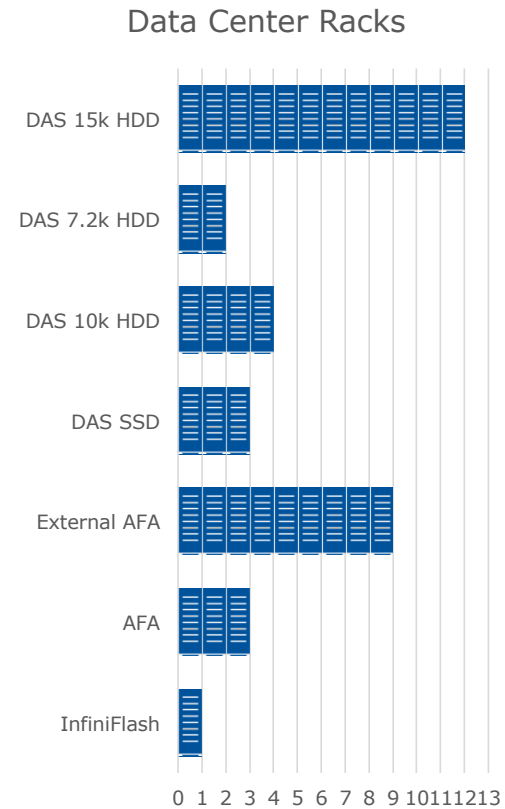
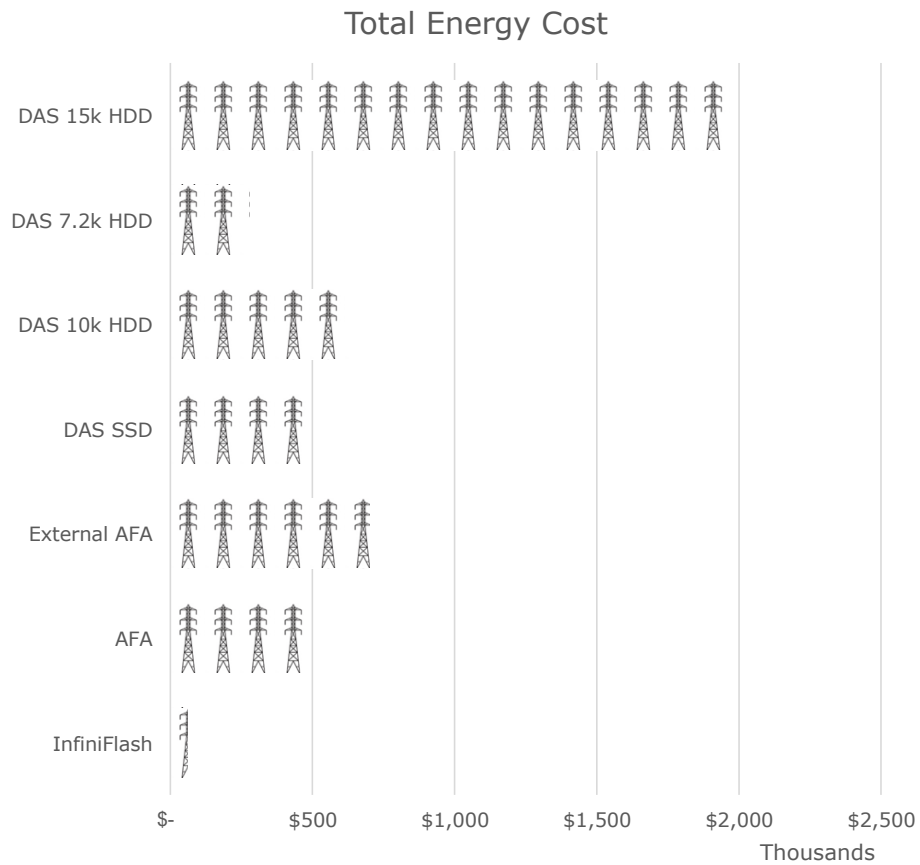
- As the density increases, rack level distribution becomes key to realizing throughput.
  - New Models distributing 'Archive' across active racks (Top of Rack Archive, Top of Rack Storage)
- At 7x capacity, almost comparable power use (minus real deep archive/vaults)
  - QLC may expand where flash can be utilized
  - 10-15yr TCO on 48PB raw / Rack cost

- **Risk**

- Limited NAND Fabrication Capacity
  - Exabyte level as we enter Zetabyte scale world
  - Choice of Fast Data or Big Data

# TCO Example: 2015 Infiniflash 8TB Flash Cards

Food for thought



## 3.The Future (3+ years)

- Capacity Growth

- SSD Vendors now have 3 knobs to turn for capacity
  - Layers (3d Nand)
  - Bits per Cell (1,2,3,4.. Yes more is possible, but with distinct limits)
  - \*\*Lithography (65nm , 3xnm... )
- Packaging
  - Infiniflash 1<sup>st</sup> in custom packaging..
  - EDSFF Ruler (U.2 capacity in 1U package)
  - 3.5" Flash drives?
  - Various 'Flash Stick' standards popping up (M.2,others)

- As value of data increases and cost of storage decrease – more data will be stored

### 3. Summary (Thoughts)

- Shifts are not made overnight. Flash + Tape, Flash + HDD + Tape will continue to exist. Ratio and length of retention/data activity will be key... Even a \$0.01/GB difference is equivalent to \$1M at 100 PB, moving to a Zetabyte, new architecture will be key
- As value of data increase and infrastructure cost decrease, trend is showing active data life is increasing from 1-6mo to 3-6 years and capacity of archive data growing
- Flash has limits on its fabrication capacity. Decision must be made on Fast Data Flash, Big Data Flash or Archive/Compliance Flash (QLC)
- **The dynamic is changing and it's up to the people in the room to decide how it will change**

