



Webinar UCS - Hyperflex

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Qui sommes-nous ?

Société créée en 2002 dont le siège social est à Aix en Provence

Notre Activité principale est d'être un intégrateur à forte valeur ajoutée en infrastructures réseaux, sécurité, télécoms et systèmes.

Nous possédons un laboratoire accessible à nos clients, à distance ou dans nos locaux à Aix en Provence.

Tous nos collaborateurs ingénieurs sont certifiés constructeurs, à haut niveau (CCIE, CCNP, MCSE, CNSE, PCNSA, PCNSE, Fore Scout NE, etc...)

Capacité à intervenir partout dans le monde (Europe, Amériques, Afrique, Asie...)



Nos Métiers

Intégration de solutions et infrastructures réseaux,
sécurité et systèmes

Audit & Conseil

Suivi de projet (MOA / MOE)

Maintenance et Assistance

Distributeur de solutions reseaux, sécurité et systèmes

Prestation au forfait ou en régie



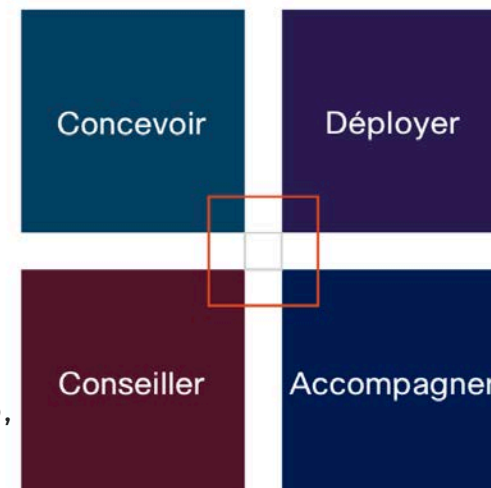
Nos Domaines de Compétences

Réseaux : notre activité historique. Lan, Wan, Wifi, Performance monitoring, fault management

Télécoms : ToIP, VoIP, architecture opérateur, Collaboration

Sécurité : Firewalling, Filtrage, VPN, anti-spams, AntiDDOS, IPS, IDS, SIEM, Endpoint Protection, NAC, etc...

Systemes : Messagerie, Backup, Virtualisation, Cloud Public - Privé





Merci !



Introduction UCS - Hyperflex

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Infrastructure Operations Challenges we are Addressing



Distributed apps and IT

Physical and virtual sprawl,
IoT, microservices



Human limitations

Scale, speed, complexity
that make modern data centers
unmanageable



Traditional management

“Building a monster
to manage the monster”

Strategy for next-generation systems management



Use the cloud

Connect everything



Analyze
the telemetry

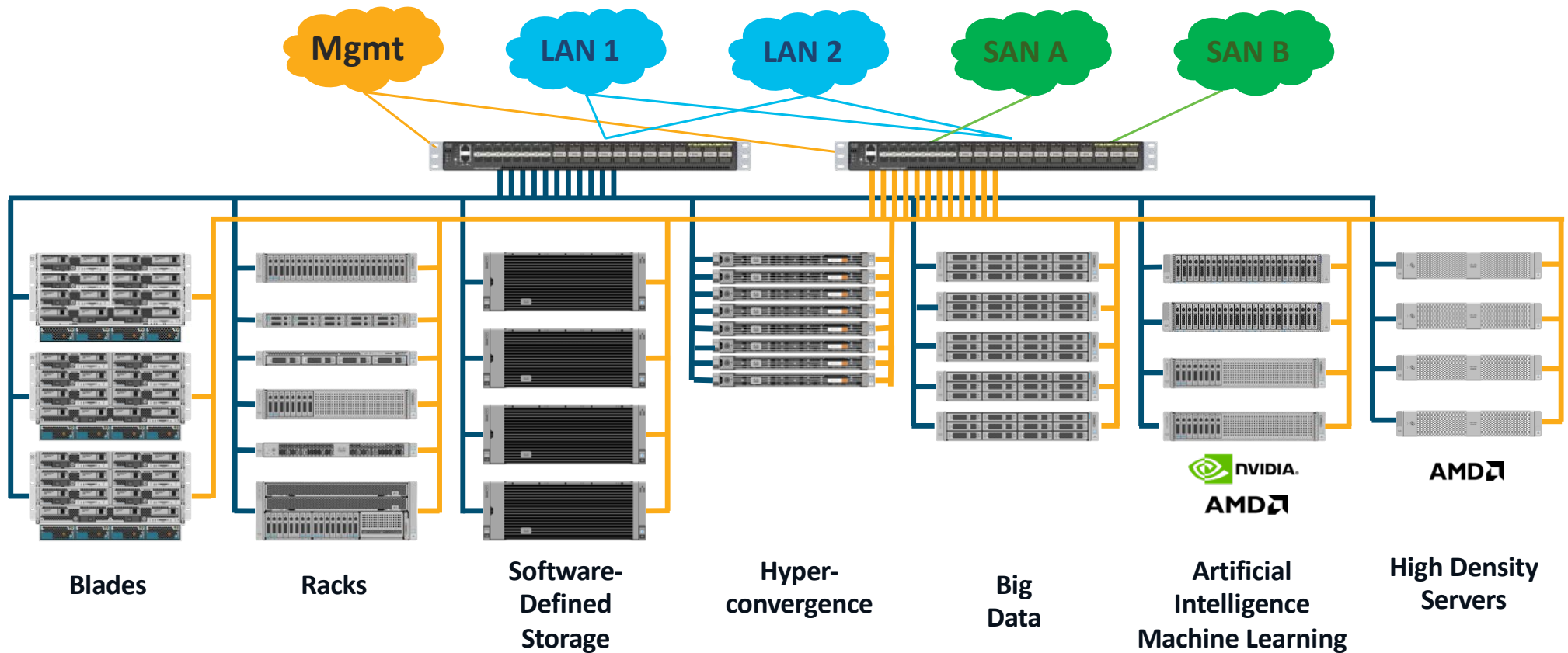
Create actionable insight



Combine insight
with automation

Have machines
manage machines

Unified Computing System



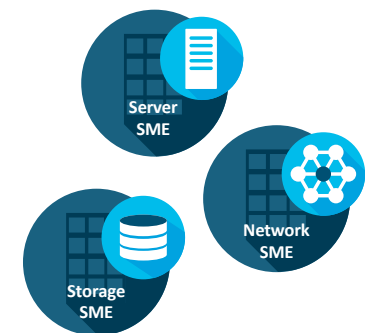
Avant HX, UCS a changé la définition de serveurs



- Cisco UCS (Unified Computing System) unifie du point de vue architectural:
 - Compute: serveurs
 - Réseau unifié (FCoE, vNIC...)
 - “System as a whole”
- On ne configure pas un serveur, mais un système
- On ne configure pas les ports des switch LAN DC, on se câble une fois sur les FIs (dont le management est automatisé)
- On supprime la complexité et on aligne les configurations de serveurs et du réseau DC

Embedded Automation

Policy based systems management with service profiles



- Server Policy
- Storage Policy
- Network Policy
- Virtualization Policy
- Application Profiles

Uplink port configuration, VLAN, VSAN, QoS, and EtherChannels

Server port configuration including LAN and SAN settings

Network interface card (NIC) configuration: MAC address, VLAN, and QoS settings; host bus adapter HBA configuration: worldwide names (WWNs), VSANs, and bandwidth constraints; and firmware revisions

Unique user ID (UUID), firmware revisions, and RAID controller settings

Service profile assigned to server, chassis slot, or pool

configuration:
MAC address
VLAN, and QoS
settings;
host bus adapter
HBA
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worldwide names
(WWNs), VSANs,

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- 1 Subject matter expert define policies
- > 2 Policies used to create service profile templates
- > 3 Service profile templates create service profiles
- > 4 Applying service profiles to bare metal configures servers automatically

UCS Hardware Portfolio

Performance Optimized for Bare Metal, Virtualized, and Cloud Applications



Cloud Scale



S3260

Ideal Capacity-Optimized Platform for Large Object Storage at Scale
 2 Node 2S each
 14 DIMM Slots per Node
 Up to 720TB LFF Storage
 Up to 90TB Flash

Enterprise Performance



C240 M5
 2S, 56 Cores
 Up to 6TB DDR4 Memory
 26 SFF/12LFF, up to 10 NVMe



C220 M5
 2S 56 Cores
 Up to 6T DDR4 Memory
 10 SFF/10NVMe/4 LFF



C4200 SFF
 4Node/2S Each – AMD 64 Cores
 16 DIMM Slots per node
 SAS/SATA/NVMe drives



C220 M5 SD
 Edge 2RU form factor for wide range of edge deployments



B200 M5
 2S, 56 Cores
 Up to 6TB DDR4 Memory
 2 SFF

Intensive/Mission Critical



C480 M5 ML
 2S, 56 Cores
 Up to 3TB DDR4 Memory
 24 SFF, 6 NVMe
 8 SMZ1 V100 GPUs



C480 M5
 4S, 112 Cores
 Up to 12TB DDR4 Memory
 32 SFF/NVMe
 10 GPUs



B480 M5
 4S, 112 Cores
 Up to 12TB DDR4 Memory
 4 SFF, 4 GPUs

Hyperconvergence



HX220 Hybrid and All Flash
 High Performance in Small Footprint (Databases, VDI, VSI)



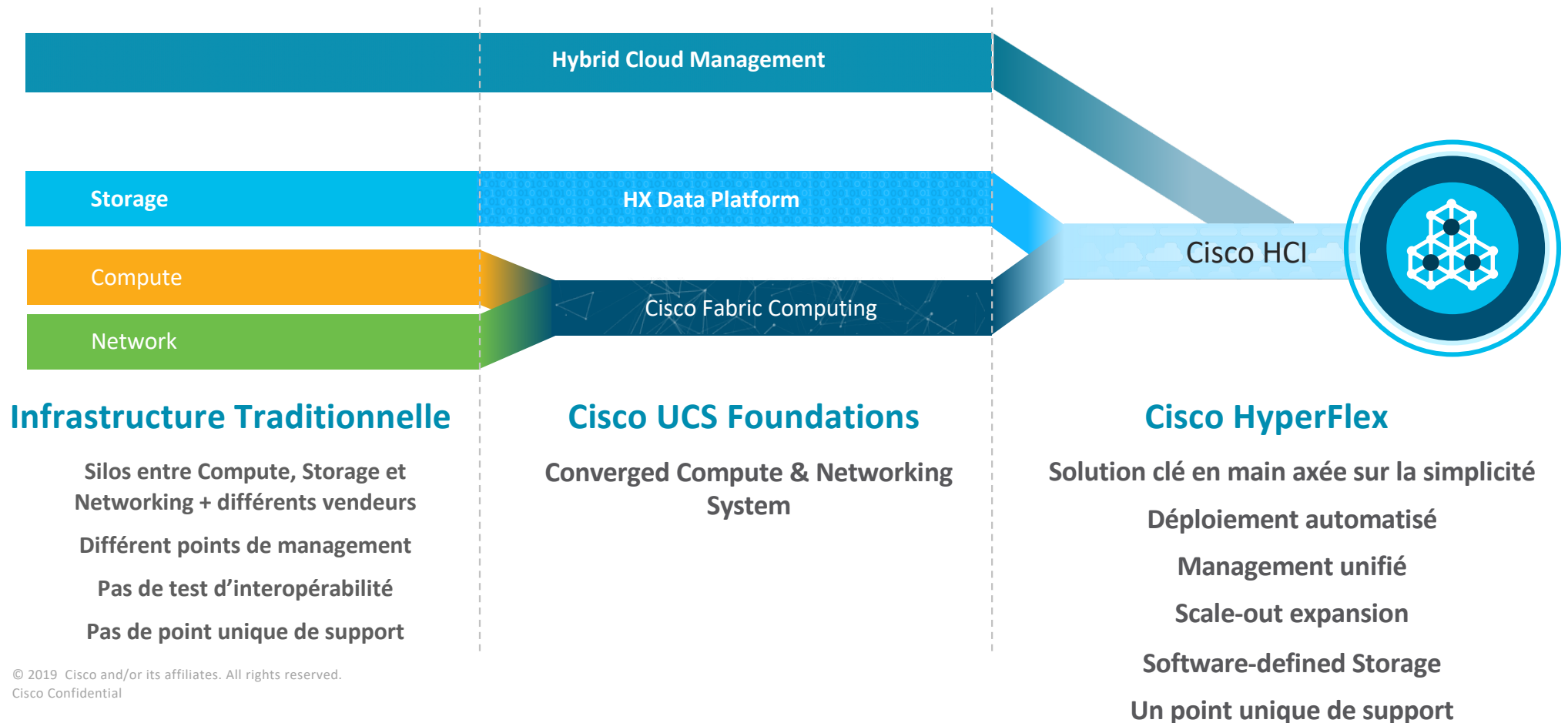
HX240 Hybrid and All Flash
 High Density with Performance (Databases, VDI, VSI, Test/Dev)



HX Edge
 2-4 Nodes
 Single pane of glass for deployment and management
 Invisible Cloud Witness Service

Evolution vers l'Hyperconvergence

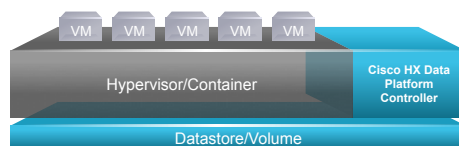
Compute, Network, Software HCI unifiés



Les éléments d'HyperFlex



Fabric Interconnect
+ Cisco UCS

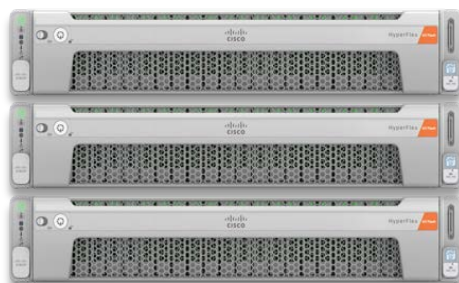


HX Data Platform Software
on top of ESXi or Hyper-V



Cisco HyperFlex Systems

Un cluster commence à 3 noeuds...



... et supporte différentes architectures

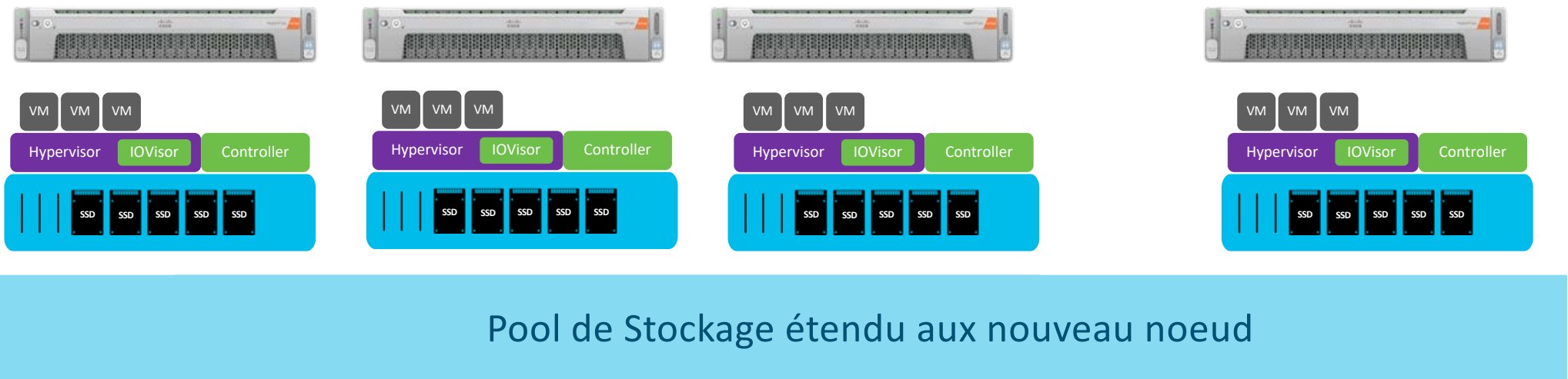
Hybride

All-Flash

All-NVMe

Hyperflex et le stockage distribué

Tout le stockage du cluster est disponible aux VMs, quel que soit l'host



L'ajout d'un noeud augmente la capacité globale du stockage

Cisco HyperFlex Architectural Differentiators

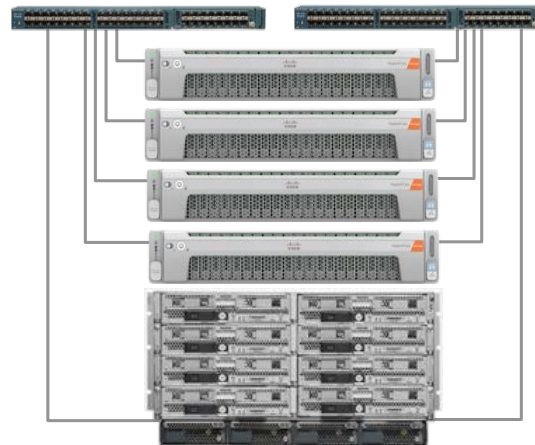
Hardware and Software Engineered Together

Next Gen Distributed Data Platform

- Enterprise Scale
- Performance without hot spots
- Extremely consistent IO

Simplified Policy Based Management

- Simplified operations across compute, storage and network
- Intelligent, adaptive & Cloud managed with Intersight



**Cisco HyperFlex System
w/ UCS compute only nodes**

Complete Hyperconvergence with Integrated Network Fabric

- Unified Network Infrastructure
- Guaranteed QoS with low latency

Pre-integrated Hardware & Software

- Single point of support
- Backed by world class Cisco TAC Support

Hypervisor Choice
ESXi and Hyper-V

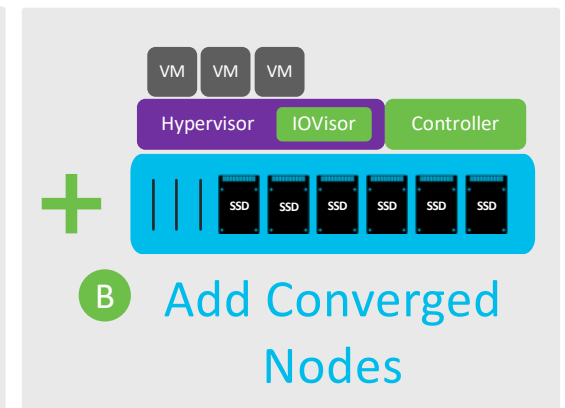
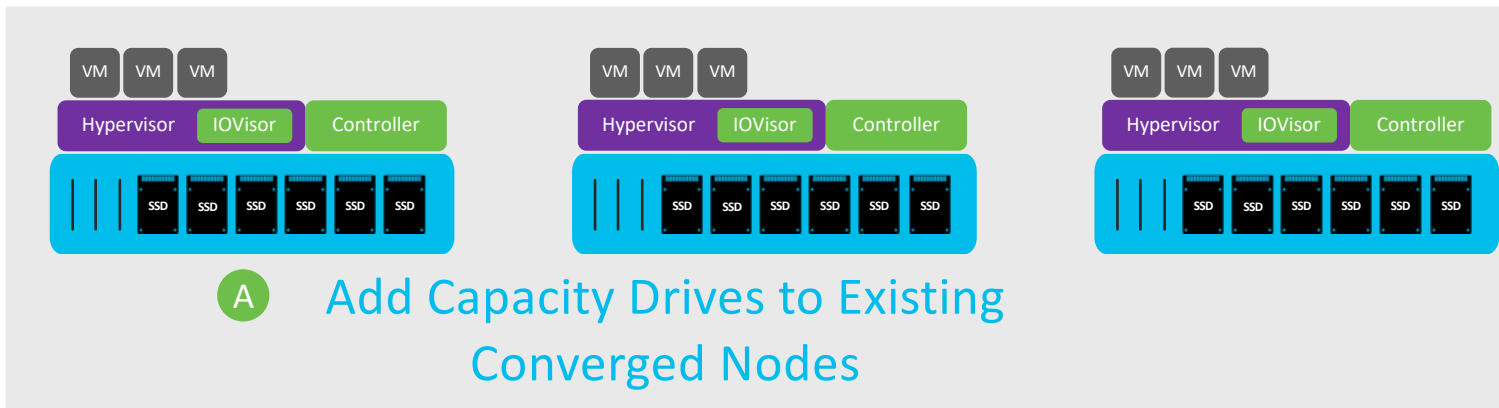
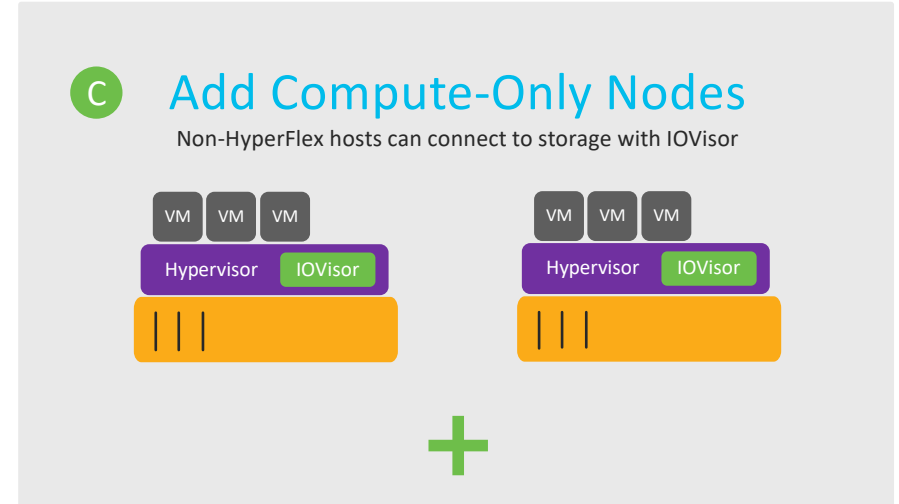
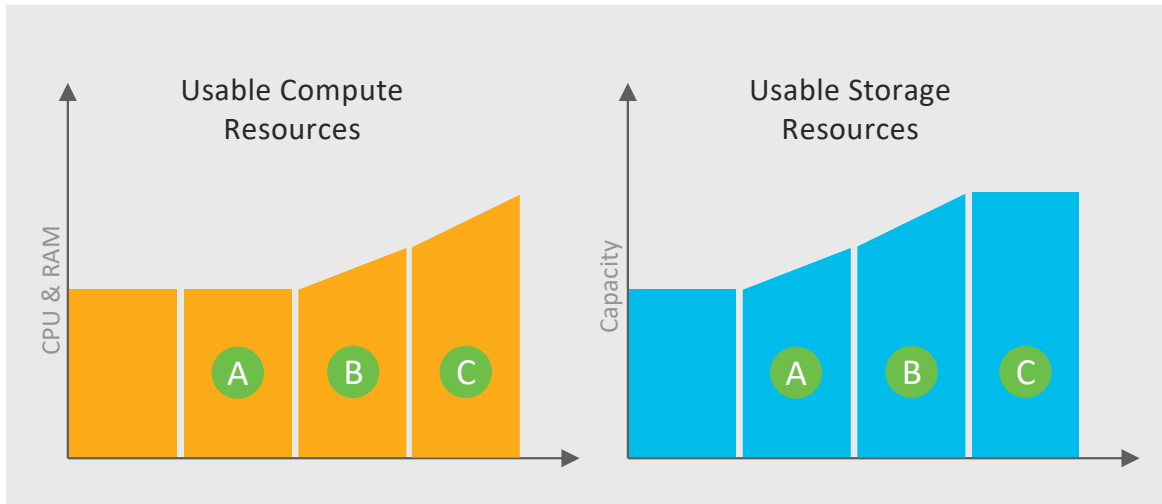
**Data Protection &
High Availability**

**Enterprise grade
data services**

Tetration
ACI

CloudCenter
AppDynamics, CWOM

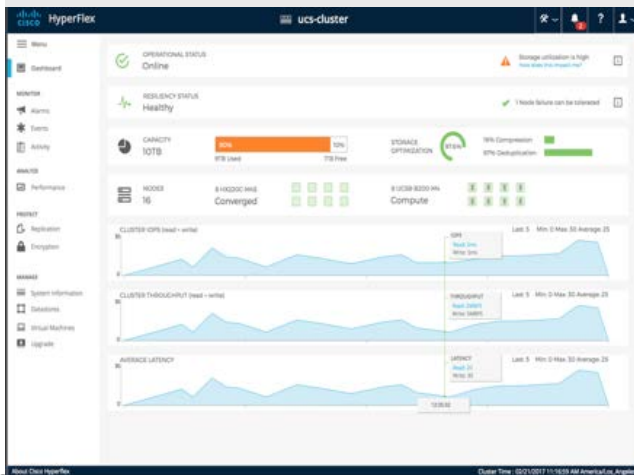
Independent Scaling of Compute and Capacity



Flexible Local Management and Monitoring

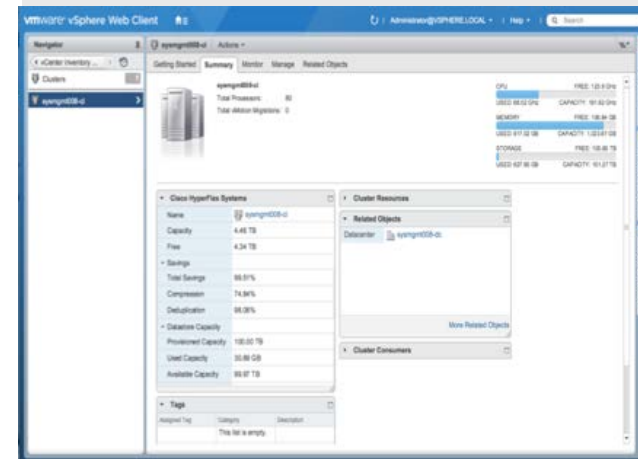
HyperFlex Connect

- Easy to use
- Extremely intuitive
- Fast and Responsive



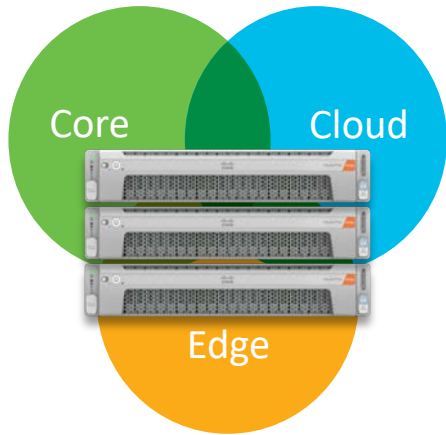
vCenter Plugin

- Web Client Plugin
- Monitor all events in VC
- No separate console, no learning curve



Hyperflex est un écosystème de partenaires:

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Enterprise Apps



Hybrid/Multicloud



Containers / Cloud Native Apps



Intelligent Management (AI Ops)



AI/ML Apps

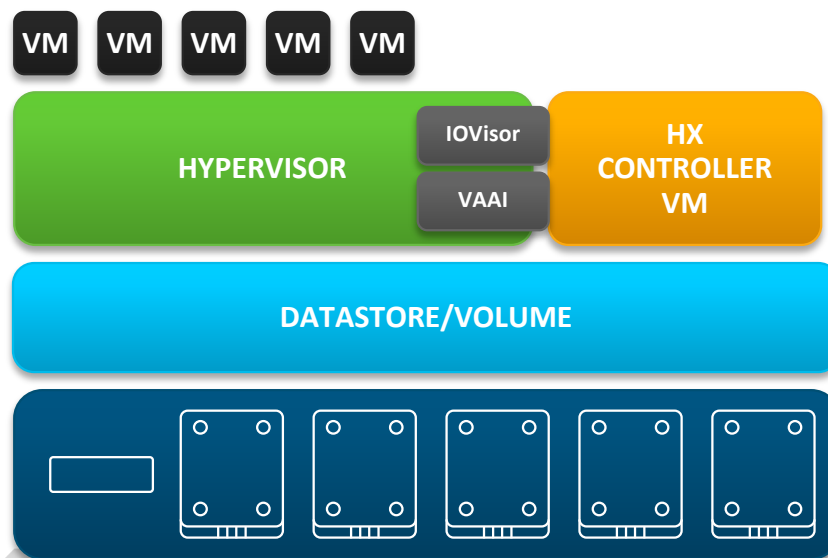


Secondary Storage / Backup and Recovery



HX Internal Operations

Inside HX Data Platform Node

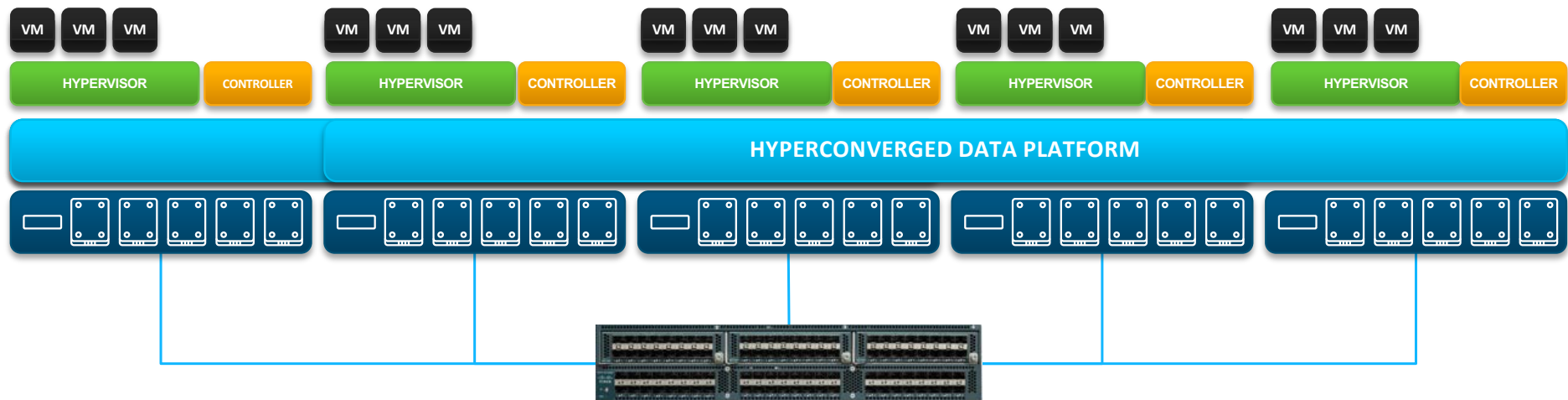


HX Controller VM Assumes Direct Access of Local Storage

IOVisor Module Presents Pooled Storage to Hypervisor and Stripes IO

Data Services are Offloaded to HX Data Platform

Hyperconverged Scale Out and Distributed File System



Start with as Few as Three Nodes

Hyperconverged Data Platform Installs in Minutes

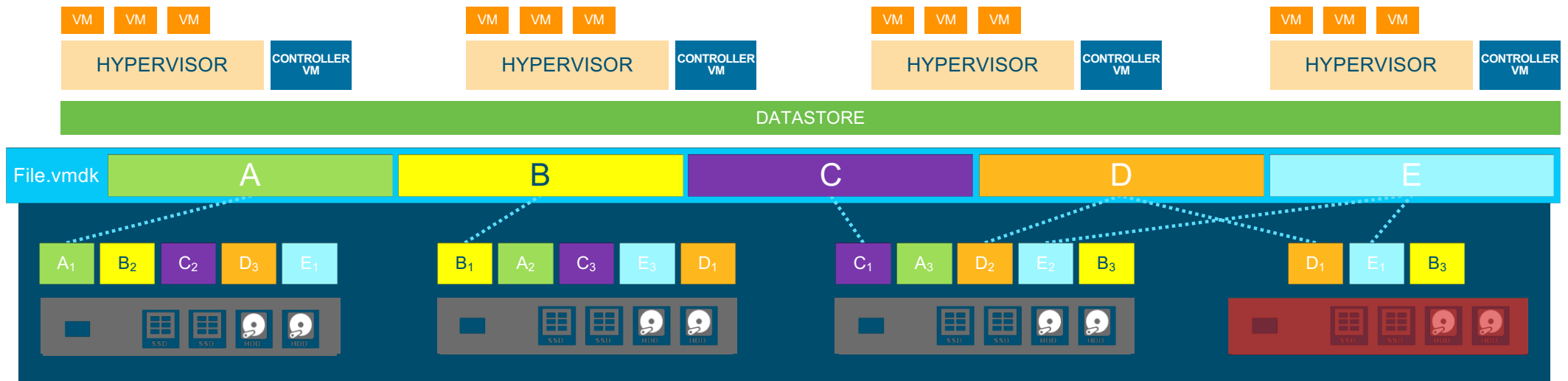
Network Fabric Policy Configures QoS Settings

Add Servers, One or More at a Time

Distribute and Rebalance Data Across Servers Automatically

Retire Older Servers

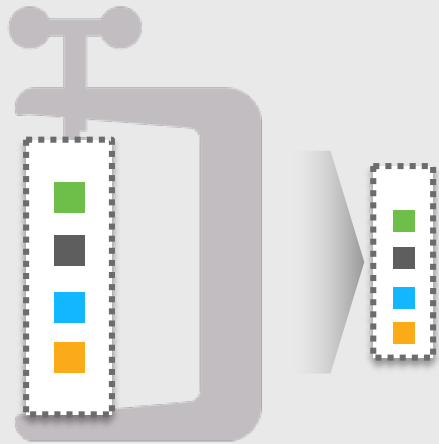
High Availability and non-disruptive operations



- Stripe blocks of a file across servers
- Replicate one or two additional copies to other servers
- Handle entire server or disk failures
- Restore back to original number of copies
- Rebalance VMs and data post replacement
- Rolling software upgrades

Continuous Data Optimization

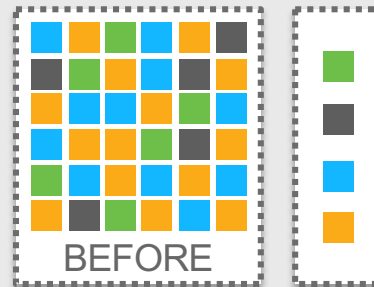
Log-Structured File System Yields More Efficient Data Optimization



Inline Compression

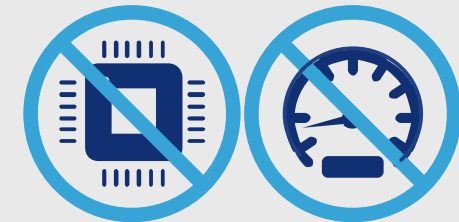
30–50% space savings

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Inline Deduplication

20–30% space savings

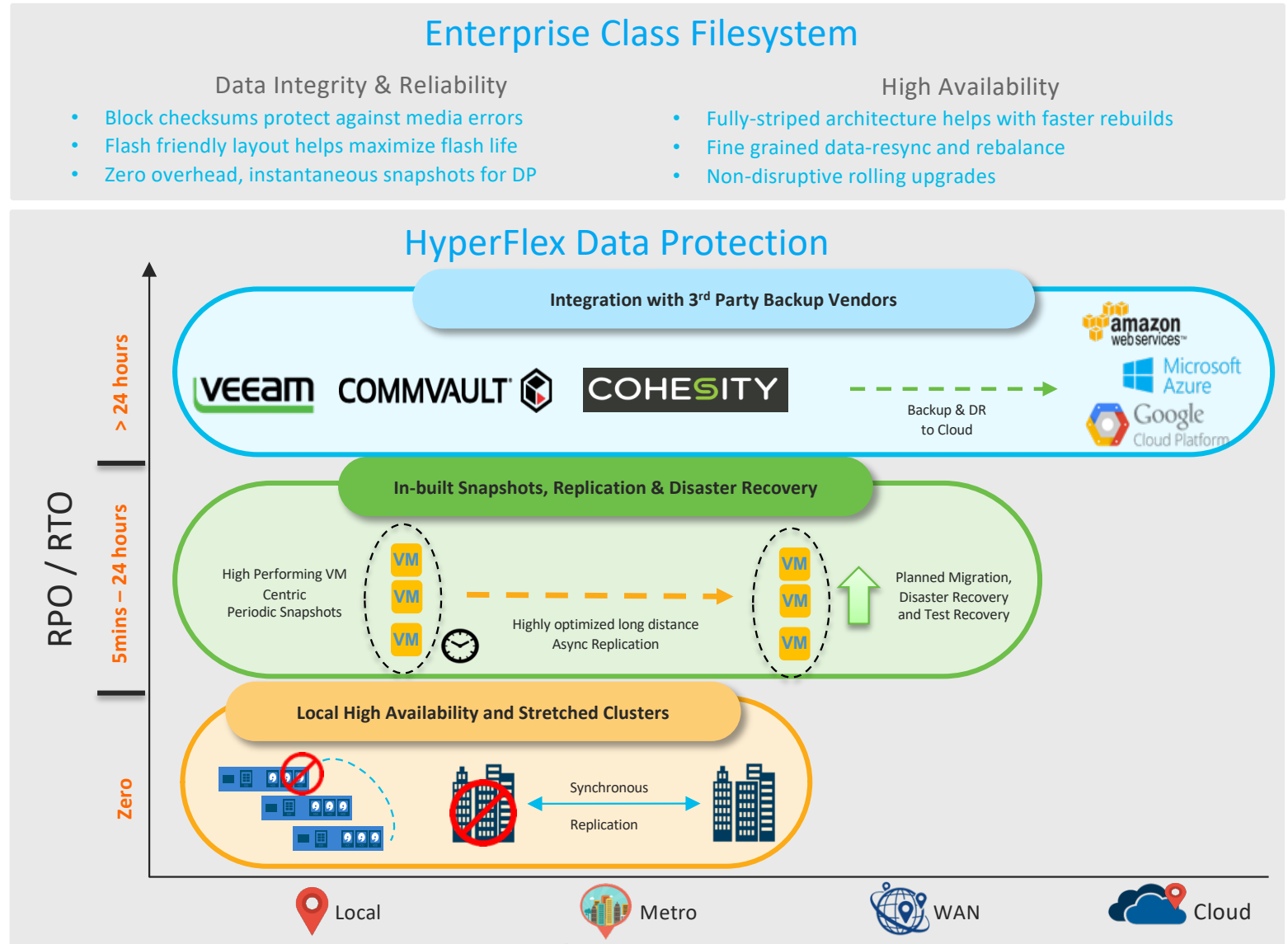


- No Special Hardware**
- No Performance Impact**
- No Config lock-in**
- No Additional License**

Lower Cost



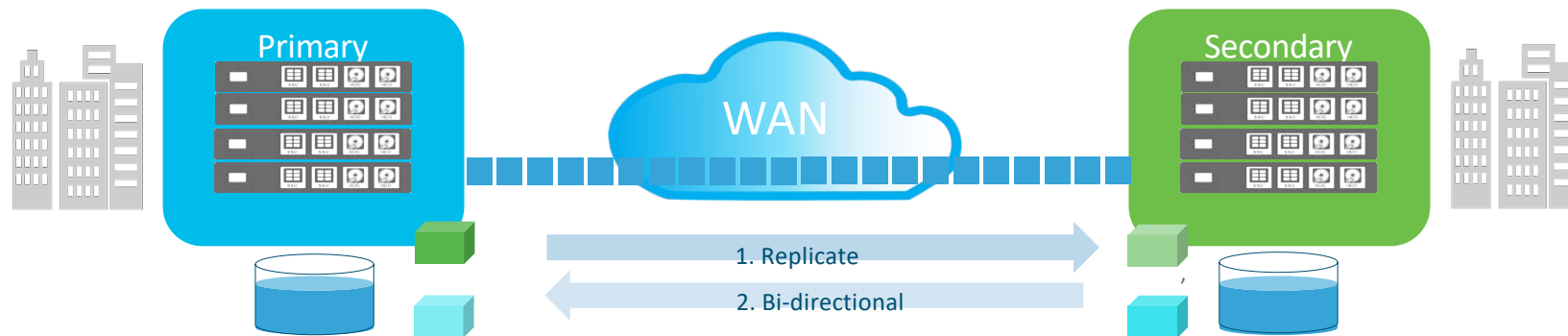
High Availability & Reliability



Native Replication

HX Replication Overview

Use Case: Replication for Disaster Recovery



Supported Configuration

- Point-to-Point (1-to-1) Replication
- Different number of Cluster nodes on each site
- Replicate between HX220 and HX240 Clusters
- Replicate between All-Flash and Hybrid Configurations

Underlying Technology

- Snapshot based, Periodic Replication
- Scale-out, performant, reliable and network optimized
- VM Centric Replication
- Single PIT (latest) image for Recovery
- Flexible RPO of 15mins to 24 hours
- HTML 5 based , REST API & CLI based operations and monitoring

Disaster Recovery

- Recover from the latest Snapshot copy
- Supports planned and unplanned recovery
- Active – Active and Active-Passive DR via bi-directional replication
- Enabled to integrate with 3rd party DR orchestration products

HyperFlex Data Protection

Fast and Flexible Native Snapshots



- Pointer-based snapshots
 - Space-efficient with no performance penalty vs. VMware Redo Log Snaps
 - Fast creations and deletions
- Fine-grained or coarse-grained
 - VM-level or VM folder-level
- VAAI-integrated
 - Quiesced and crash-consistent
- Use vCenter Snapshot Manager
- Policy-based schedules and retention

Schedule Snapshot for workload_vm_a1

Enable Hourly Snapshot

Schedule
Start At: 10:00 AM
Until: 05:00 PM
On: Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Retention
 A maximum of 10 snapshot per VM
 Never Expires

Enable Daily Snapshot

Schedule
Start At: 09:00 PM
On: Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Retention
 A maximum of 7 snapshot per VM
 Never Expires

Enable Weekly Snapshot

Schedule
Start At: 05:00 AM
On: Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Retention
 A maximum of 4 snapshot per VM
 Never Expires

OK Cancel

All This Functionality Enabled with the HX Data Platform Filesystem

Native VM Clones for Rapid Provisioning



- Pointer-Based Writeable Snapshots (Instantaneous Clones)
- VAAI integrated
- VM-level granularity
- Batch creation GUI
 - Apply unique names
 - Use customization spec to apply IP
 - Powerful tool to rapidly setup a large set of VMs using just VC (without scripting or View composer); Up to 256 clones in parallel per job
 - Golden/Base VM can be a template, powered on or powered off

ReadyClones - ubuntu001

Number of clones

Customization Specification

Clone Names _____

VM Name Prefix Starting clone number

Use same name for 'Guest Name' Increment clone number by

Preview

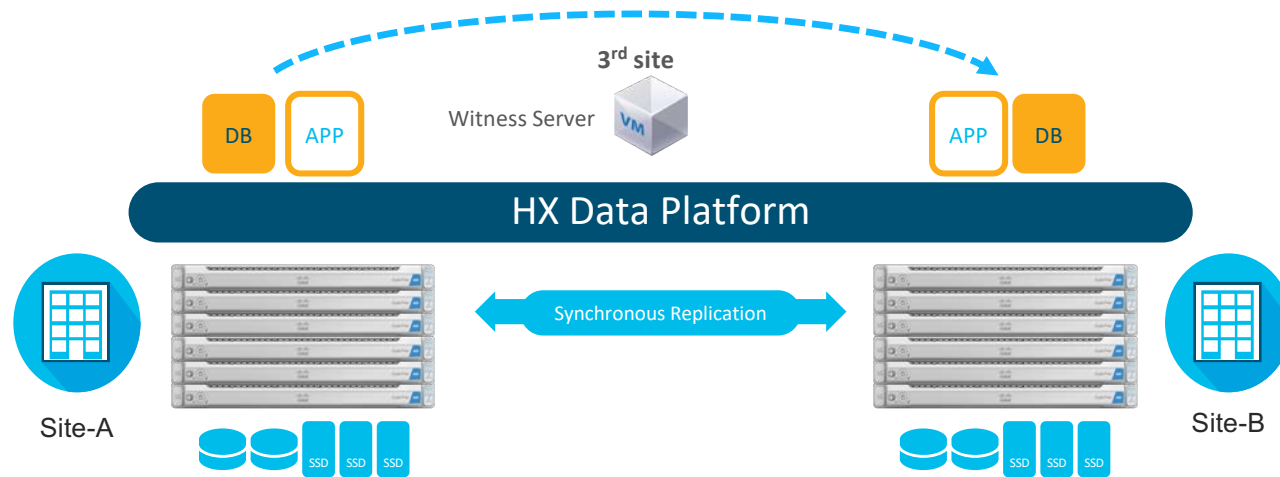
VM Name	Guest Name
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5

Power on VMs after cloning

OK Cancel

Stretched Cluster

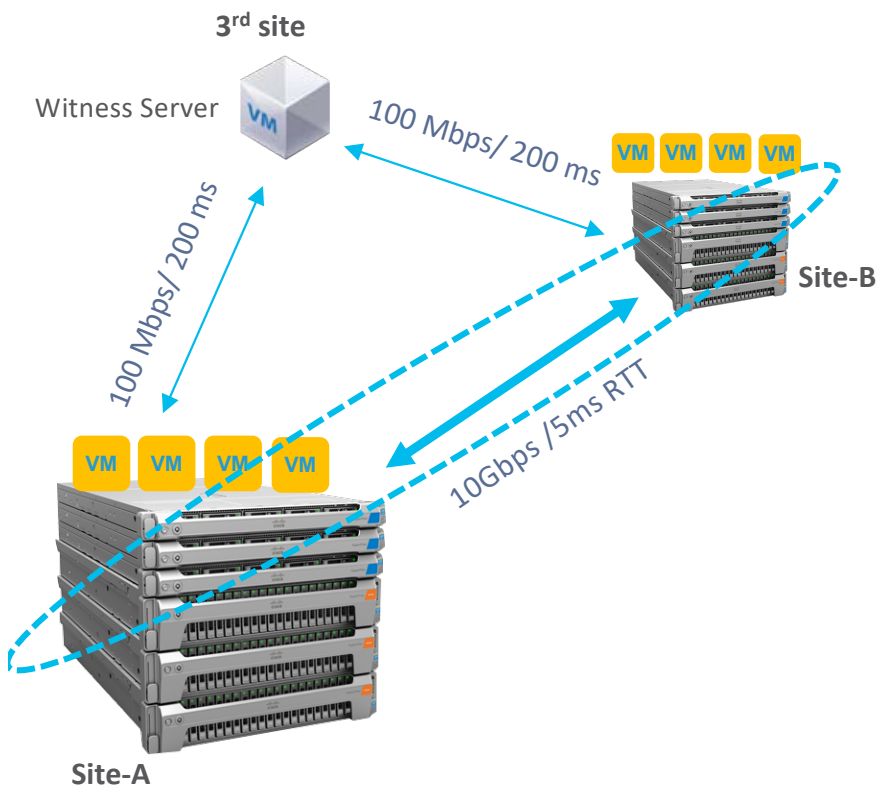
What is a Stretched Cluster?



- | | |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A stretched cluster is a <u>single cluster</u> with nodes geographically distributed 2. Storage is mirrored across each sites 3. Sites need to be connected over low latency network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second site is few hundred kilometers apart | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Geo-failover (VM) is like failover in a single cluster 5. “Split-Brain”: Condition when nodes on either sites cannot see each other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network failure • Site failure 6. “Witness” : An entity hosted on a 3rd site responsible for deciding the which site survive after a split-brain |
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HyperFlex Stretched Cluster

ZERO RPO! NEAR ZERO RTO!



Configuration Support

- ✓ Symmetric Configuration
- ✓ "Witness Server" (small VM)
- ✓ 2 to 8 HX nodes on each site
- ✓ M5 only support
- ✓ No support for SED, Hyper-V, Edge, compute-only nodes
- ✓ External storage support

Management

- ✓ Site awareness in HX Connect
- ✓ Cross site Cluster creation
- ✓ Site specific Alarm and Events on a single Dashboard

IO Path

- ✓ Active-Active sites – VMs Active on each site
- ✓ VM Read IOs served locally
- ✓ VM Write IOs in sync
- ✓ 2x copies on each site (RF=4)

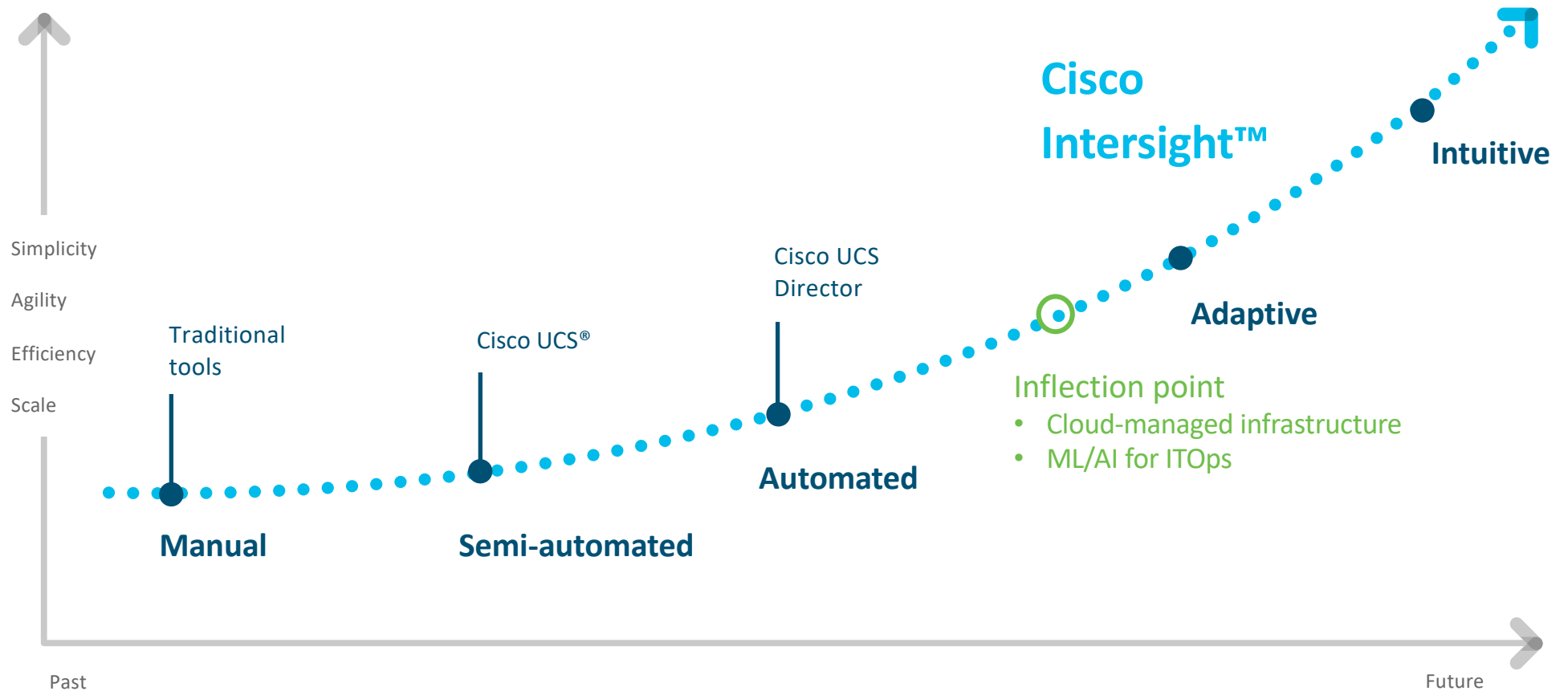
HA Operations

- ✓ Recover from a Node failure
- ✓ Recover from a Site failure
- ✓ Recover from a Network failure
- ✓ Failover of VM
- ✓ Split Brain handling



Cisco Intersight

Systems management evolution



Cloud-Based Systems Management as-a-Service

Centralized Management

Global Policies



Intuitive experience



Enhanced Support



Proactive Guidance



Secure and Extensible



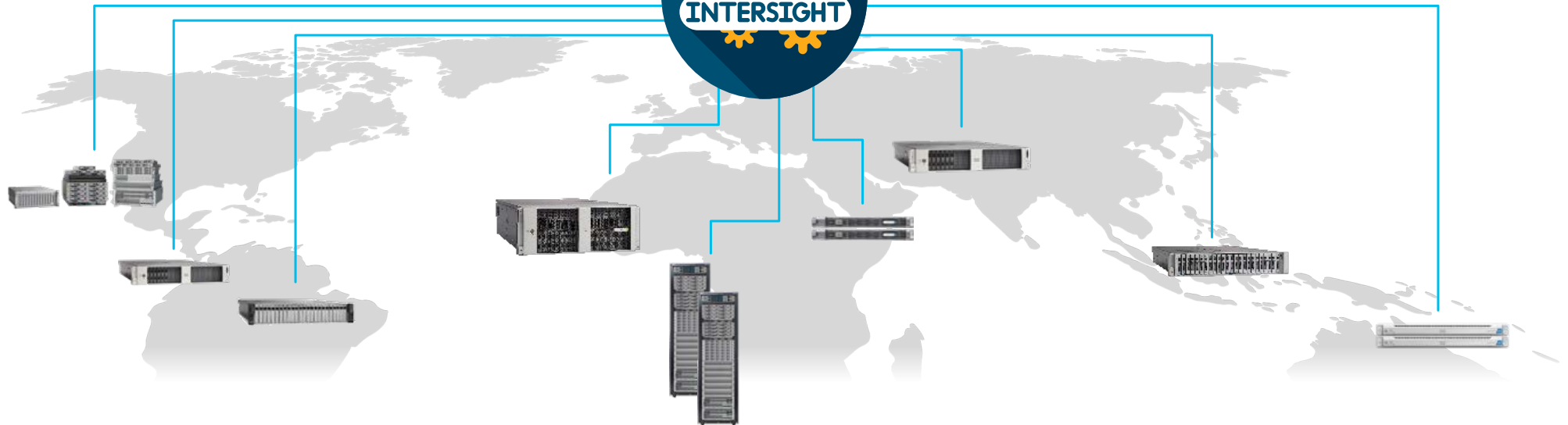
SaaS or Connected Appliance

Comprehensive Automation

Single Pane of Glass

SaaS Simplicity

Actionable Intelligence



Start with radical simplification...

The image displays a collage of Cisco management interface screenshots, organized into six categories represented by blue headers:

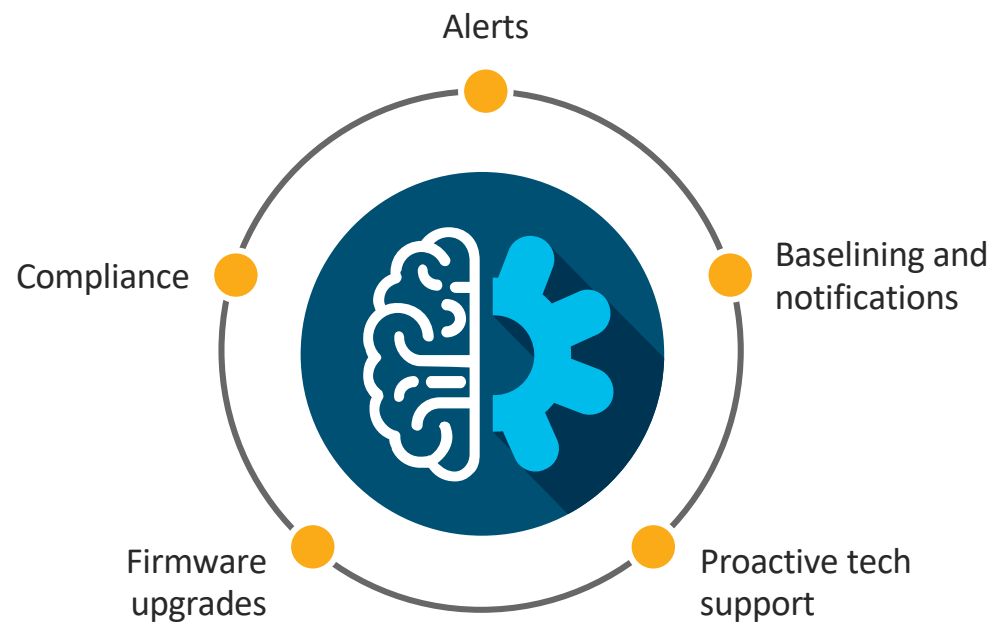
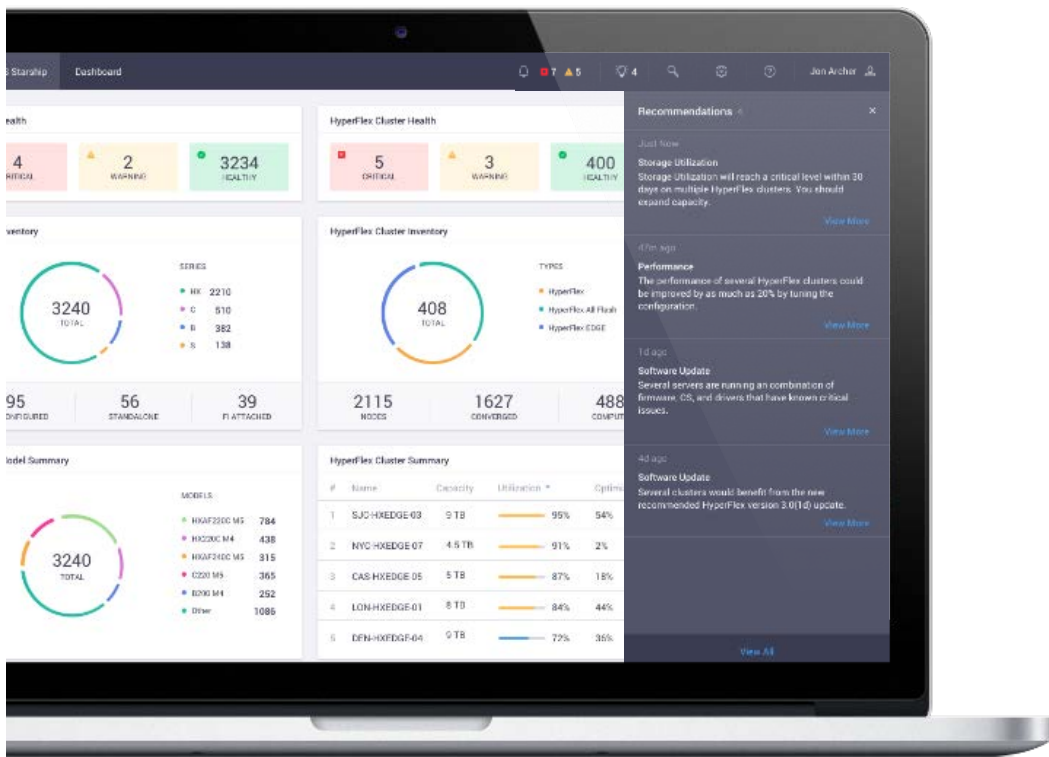
- Operations:** Shows a dashboard with a left-hand navigation menu and a main content area displaying various system metrics and configuration options.
- Automation / Orchestration:** Features a dashboard with several circular gauges at the top, followed by a section titled "Fabric Interconnect Health Summary" showing 9 CRITICAL and 1 WARNING items, and a line graph below.
- Multi-Site:** Displays a "Server HCL Status Summary" with 42 NOT FOUND and 7 INCOM items, and a "Server Model Summary" section below it.
- Remote / Branch / Edge:** Shows a dashboard with multiple circular gauges and charts, including one labeled "14 TOTAL".
- Performance:** Features a dashboard with a large circular gauge showing "125 TOTAL", and a section titled "Ports Version Summary" with 684 PORTS and 160 USED.
- Hyperconverged:** Displays a dashboard with a circular gauge showing "125 TOTAL", and a section titled "Hyperconverged" with various performance metrics and a line graph.

Core capabilities – Infrastructure operations



Cisco Intersight: proactive guidance

Recommendation engine



Key features in Cisco Intersight security architecture



Use of industry-standard security protocols



Encryption of all data



Compliance with stringent Cisco® InfoSec security and data handling standards

Transition to SaaS

Cisco UCS® capabilities today

- › Infrastructure-as-a-service and orchestration
- › Global resource pooling and policy management
- › Third-party integrations: infrastructure and toolchains
- › Policy-based automation
- › Unified element management



Traditional delivery model

On-premises software and hardware-embedded tools



SaaS model

Cisco-hosted cloud
Customer-hosted connected appliance
Partner-hosted cloud



SaaS-consumption model

Frees customers from care and feeding of management tools and eliminates upgrade dependencies



Seamless extensibility

Simplifies management across technologies and geography



Continuous feature integration

Rapid development, delivery, and customer feedback

Expanded Intersight capabilities with Intersight Workload Optimizer

Single Interface / Single API

The screenshot displays the Intersight Workload Optimizer interface. A central blue banner reads "Intersight Workload Optimizer (Application Resource Management)". Below this, a dashboard shows several key metrics: "Server Build Summary" with values 44, 34, and 63; "HyperFlex Cluster Health Summary" with values 4 and 4; and "Physical Server Health Summary" with values 6, 50, and 3. A large gauge shows "141" with a trend arrow. Other metrics include "8" and "8" in circular gauges, and a "Physical Storage" gauge showing "\$32,400". A bar chart at the bottom shows resource usage over time from 12:00 PM to 12:10 PM. A sidebar on the left lists navigation options like Home, Search, Plan, Place, Dashboard, Reports, Settings, and Administration.

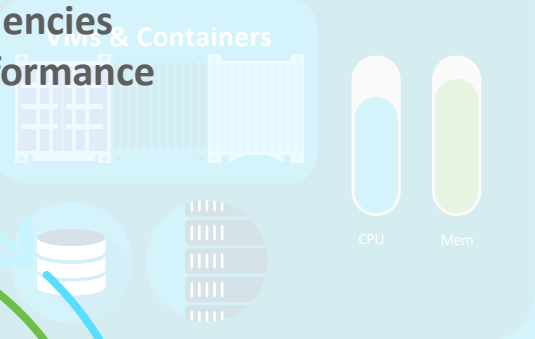
Coming Soon Q2CY20

Integration with AppD for even deeper app insights

The screenshot shows the AppDynamics interface for application performance management. A blue banner at the top reads "AppDynamics (Application Performance Mgt)". The main area features a network diagram with nodes and connecting lines, representing application components and their interactions. Below the diagram are several performance charts and graphs, including a bar chart and a line graph, showing application metrics over time.

Visibility

App and infra interdependencies
and impact on business performance



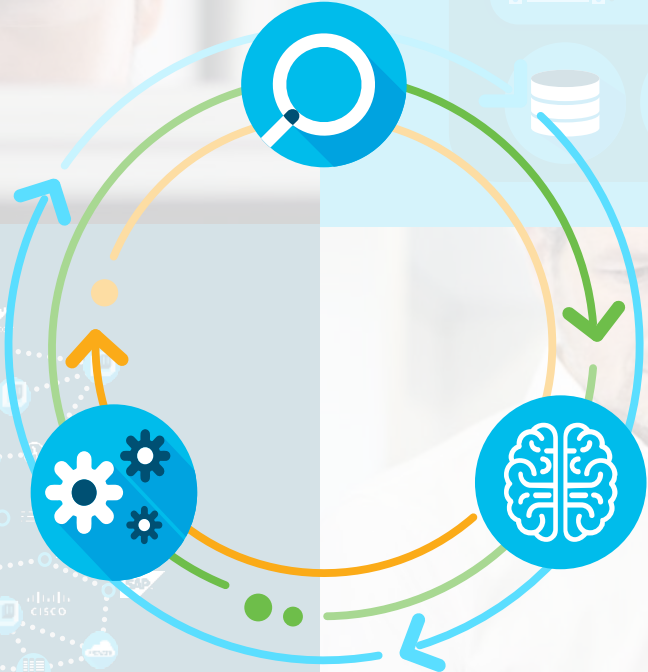
Action

Full-stack automation to
continuously optimize
resources to the app



Insight

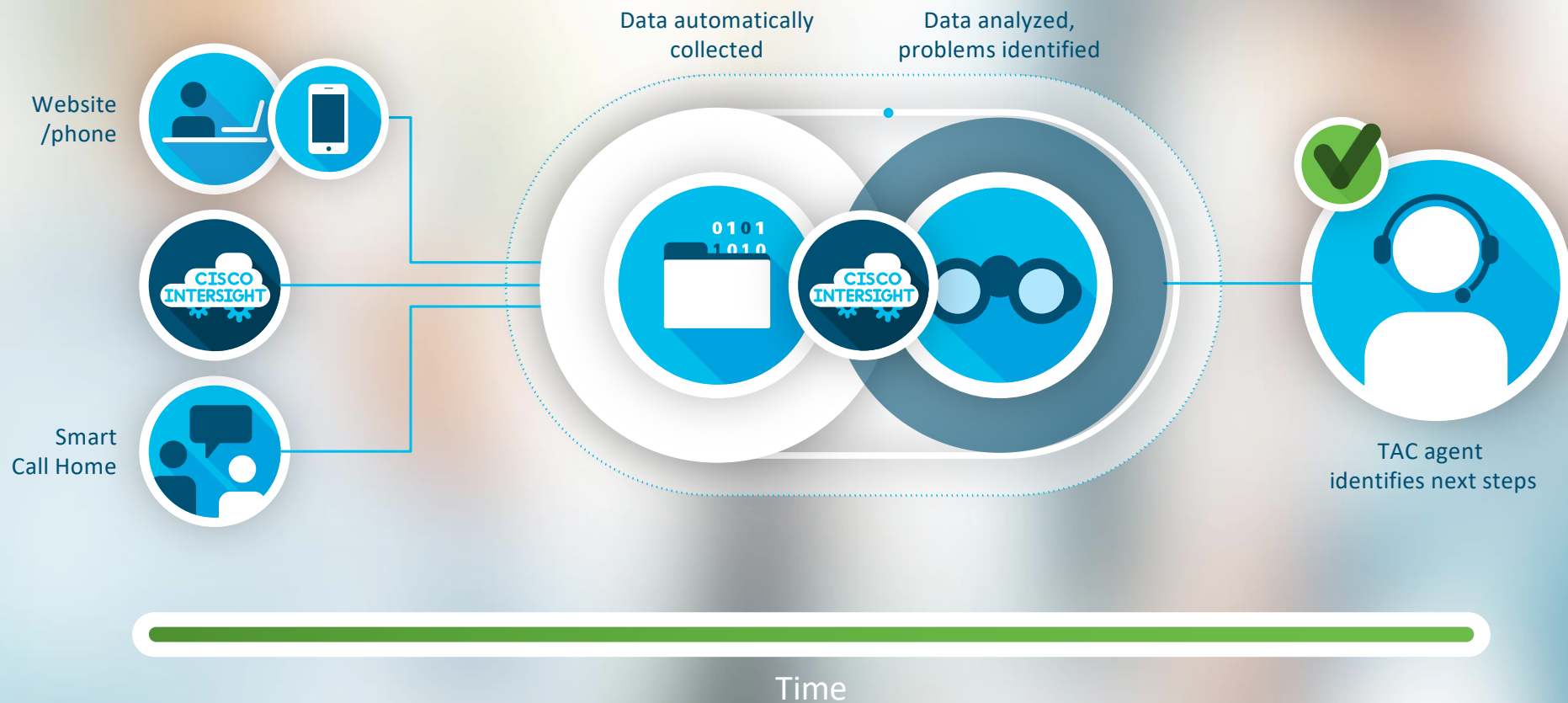
Analytics to
drive the right
resource decisions

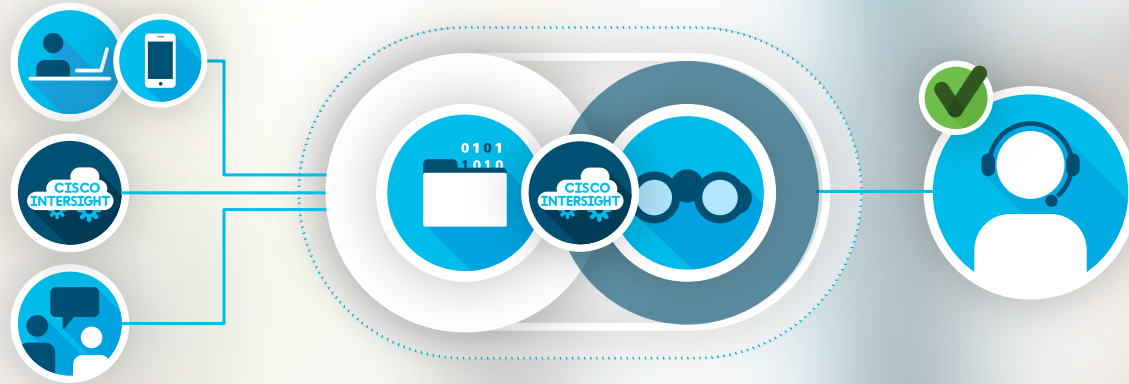


Real world benefits of Intersight Connected TAC



Our new process





Time
reduced
to **minutes**

Increased
accuracy

Less
**customer
involvement**

Save
money

