

A Solution for Adding NVM-express storage to generic computers

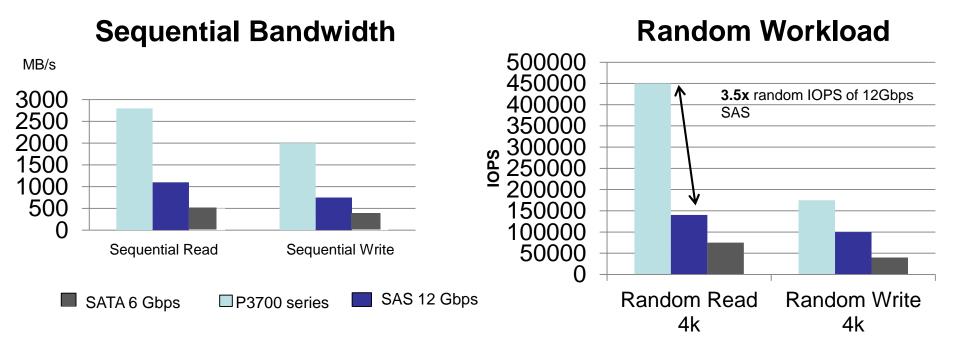
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Why NVM-express for any computer/server?

Single Drive: Up to 6x the Performance of SATA* SSDs at Half the Latency and CPU utilization





Market Overview

Massive data growth is driving SSDs into the data center with NVMe as the interface of choice



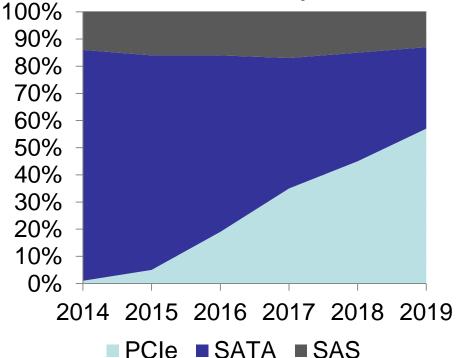
Data Center SSD Market Will be approaching \$10B In 2018, was \$4.6B in 2014



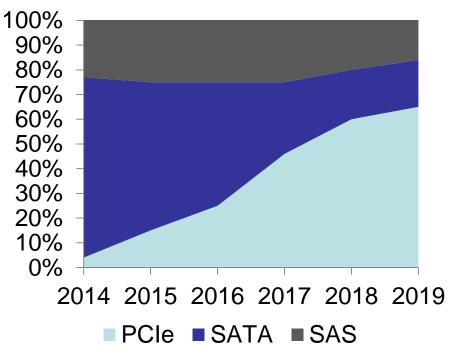
NVMe by 2017 Half the data center SSD market is NVMe by 2017



Data Center SSD Units by Interface



Data Center SSD total GB by Interface





Current Market NVM-e Requirements

- Scalable Direct Attached storage expansion solution that supports NVMe
- Half height interface cards to fit in any server
- Support 2.5" drive form factor
- 1U better than 2U
- Support hot swap of drives
- Generic to all drive vendors (Intel, HGST, Sandisk, Toshiba etc.)
- Market ready in 2016



Minimum Market Requirements for 1U NVM-e Storage Appliance

8 Drives Up To 26TB Capacity

X16 lane connection to generic host

Up to 12+GB/s bandwidth (12 times BW of high end SAS)

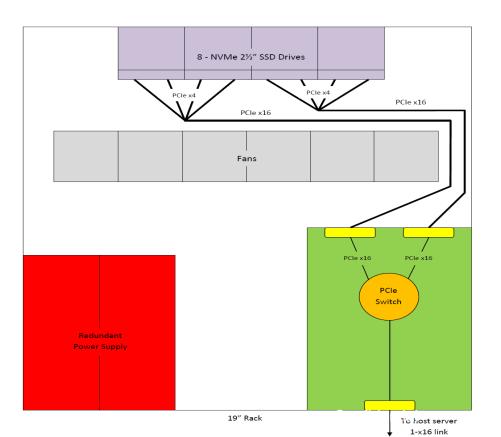
650 W Redundant Power Supplies

Scalability for large data center configurations

Remote monitoring capability

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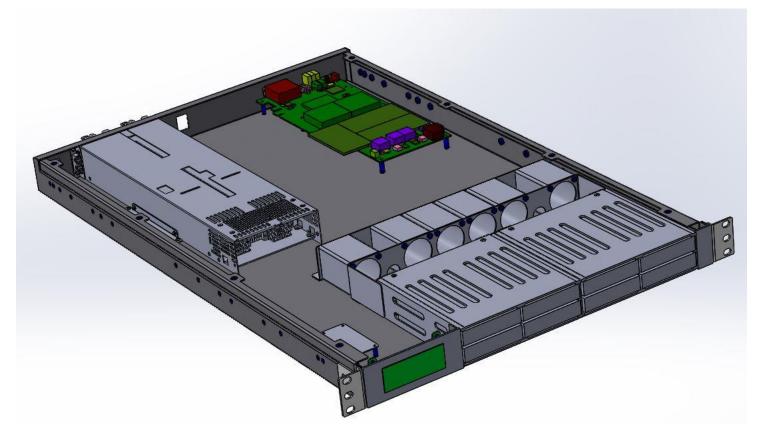




Basic Architectural Structure 1U NVM-e Storage Device



Proposed Hardware Configuration





Planfor X16 Gen3 Link

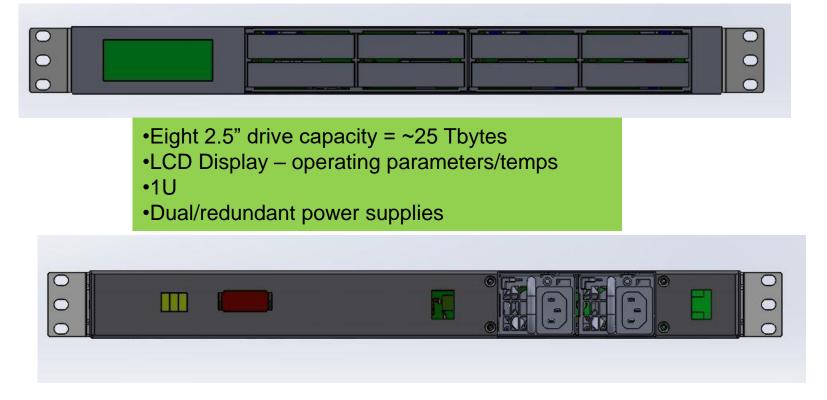
Switchless interface For low latency (re-timers only used)

One cable for x8 Two cables for x16

Designed specifically for the electrical characteristics of Gen 3

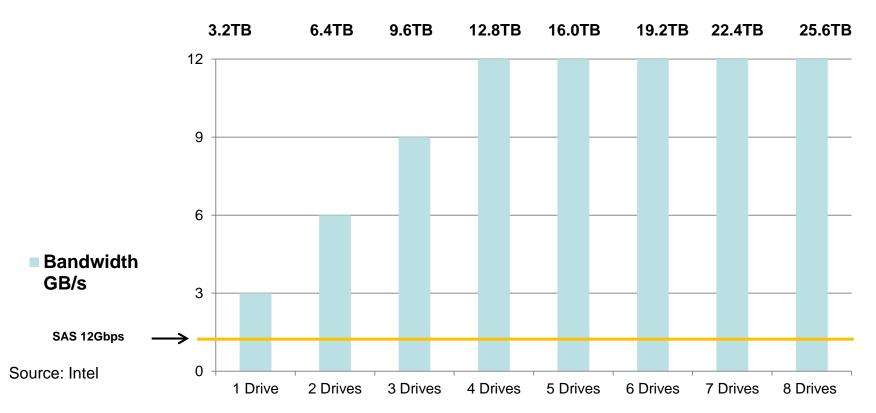


Proposed Product Design

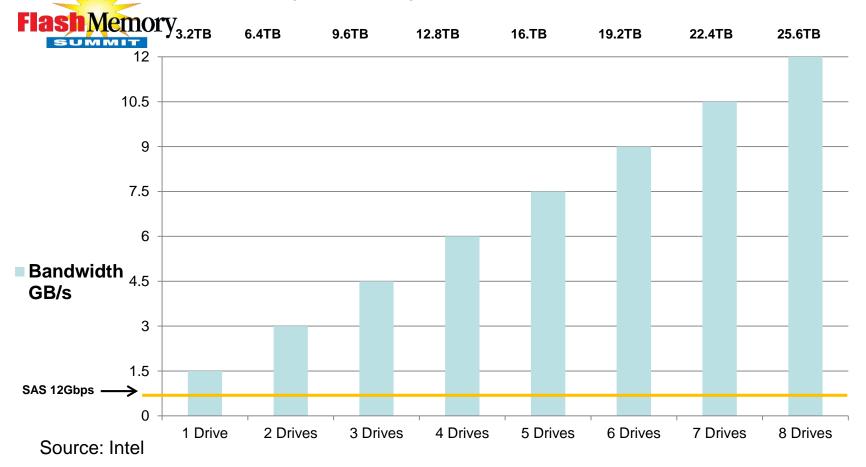




Anticipated Sequential Read Performance vs. SAS

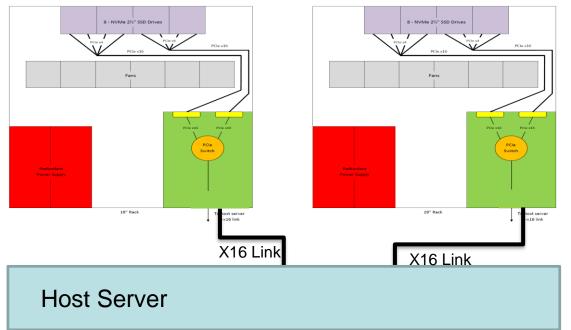


Anticipated Sequential Write Performance vs. SAS





Scalability with one Server



16 Drives Up To 50TB Capacity

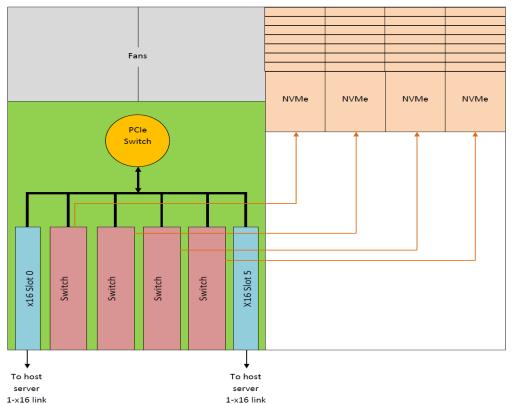
X32 lane connection to host

Up to 25+GB/s bandwidth

3U system configuration



Scalability using expansion chassis



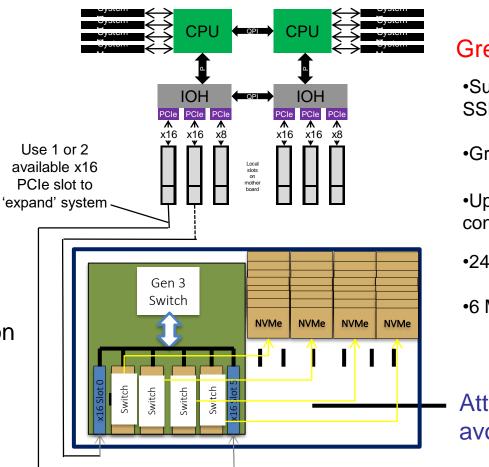
Design Criteria:

Leverage existing expansion design to scale to higher capacity in single enclosure

Up to 32 Drives Up To 100TB Capacity

X32 lane connection to host





Greater density capability

•Support up to 32 NVM-e 2.5" SSD drives in 4U rack

•Greater than 100TB capacity

•Up to 32 PCI-e Gen3 lane connection to host server

•24 GB bandwidth

•6 Million IOPs

Attaching to 1 CPU avoids QPI

Gen3 Expansion Chassis



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