

EMC VNX Goes Flash First

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EMC updates the 2-year old VNX midrange storage product family with a hybrid flash-first lineup able to take advantage of multi-core processors for a "major" performance boost.



The storage systems (VNX5200, VNX5400, VNX5600, VNX5800, VNX7600, VNX8000 and VNX-F) assume the customer already uses at least some flash storage, and accelerates virtual application and file performance by what EMC claims is up to 400% via MCx (multi-core optimisation) software.

According to the company the new VNX reaches 1.1 million IOPS with a maximum bandwidth capacity of 6PB, allowing it to run FAST caching software with increased granularity.

Customers wanting higher performance can get VNX-F, a flash-only VNX configuration, as well as XtremeSW Cache 2.0-- an update on the server-flash caching software delivering greater interoperability with VMware vCentre, IBM AIX support, distributed cache coherency for Oracle RAC environments and increased support for all server SSD or PCIe hardware.

The updated VNX line and XtremeSW Cache 2.0 are available now.

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