

File, Object Storage at a Crossroads

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Crossroads Systems announces a means to bring together file and object storage through LTFS tape-- the Strongbox 3.0 NAS for unstructured data, a solution described as "the first cloud tape."



According to the company Strongbox 3.0 fuses the cost-effective scalable storage of LTFS tape with SSD/HDD performance, allowing for access, protection and storage at the lowest possible cost per gigabyte.

On the software side the system combines a standard object-based S3 interfaces with a RESTful API, allowing cloud-based applications to easily interface with it without need for special calls or APIs. It works either as a standalone storage solution or as part of existing storage, and users can easily access data via CIFS/NFS or S3.

"StrongBox 3.0 is a true first for storage, providing file and object storage in one easy-to-use solution with the right performance to meet application requirements and the economics to stay on budget," Crossroads says. "We are pleased to provide a simple way for companies to control costs and ensure data availability both now and in the future."

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