

ExaGrid Disk-Based Backup and HP Data Protector

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ExaGrid Named "Visionary" in the 2015 Magic Quadrant for Disk Backup with Deduplication Appliances



Computer Technology Review Awards ExaGrid "Most Valuable Product (MVP) Award – 2015"



ExaGrid Receives Network Computing "Return on Investment Award – 2015"



"Best-in-Class" Disk Backup Solution in Under \$50k and "Recommended" in Under \$100k
2014 Buyer's Guide Reports



ExaGrid Wins "Disk Based Product of the Year: Small/Mid-range - 2014"



InfoWorld.com Awards ExaGrid "Technology of the Year - 2013"

ExaGrid and HP Data Protector: Simple, Quick, and Cost-Effective Disk-Based Backup and Recovery

Efficient disk-based backup requires close integration between the backup software and the disk device. That is the advantage delivered by the partnership between HP and ExaGrid. Together, HP and ExaGrid provide a cost-effective disk-based backup solution that scales to meet the needs of demanding enterprise environments.

HP Data Protector users may be surprised how quickly they can have their first backup running on the ExaGrid. Many ExaGrid customers take only a few seconds to configure and are fully operational within 30 minutes.

Scalability That Meets Your Business Needs without Costly "Forklift" Upgrades

With ExaGrid's GRID-based architecture, each appliance in the system brings with it not only additional disk, but also additional memory, bandwidth, and processing power – all the elements needed to maintain high backup performance. This keeps your backup window short as your data grows, as growth is accommodated by simply adding additional appliances to the GRID. There is no need to replace less powerful appliances with more powerful ones – no forklift upgrades – you simply add more appliances to the GRID. You get the shortest possible backup times with the ability to easily keep those times short as your data grows over time.

Faster, More Reliable Backups and Restores

Moving from tape to a disk-based backup appliance from ExaGrid can significantly reduce backup times, helping customers stay within their backup window and avoiding the hassles and delays of backing up to tape. Restores are also much faster and easier, as ExaGrid's landing zone architecture keeps the most recent backup intact in non-deduplicated form, ready to be rapidly restored when needed.

You can also eliminate offsite tapes by having a copy of your backups offsite on disk using data deduplication to efficiently transfer the data. Achieve faster and more reliable recoveries in the event of primary backup failure or other type of disaster with minimal bandwidth utilized because only the changes traverse the WAN.

Easy to Install, Use, and Manage

With the combination of HP and ExaGrid disk-based backup, you can eliminate the management hassles of tape and also avoid expensive, complex VTL-based solutions. The ExaGrid appliance fits easily into your backup environment behind your existing HP backup server. Simply plug in the ExaGrid behind your backup server and point your HP backups to the ExaGrid appliance via a NAS (CIFS or NFS) share, and you are ready to begin executing backups. Once installed, backup management is made simple with ExaGrid's intuitive management interface and reporting capabilities.

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Getting Started

It's a simple four-step process to point HP Data Protector backups to ExaGrid's "plug-and-play" disk-based backup system.

Step 1: Turn It On

ExaGrid is an appliance. No loading software, no complicated assembly. Simply unpack it, rack it, and turn it on.

Step 2: Point and Click to Create a Share

Create share(s) on the ExaGrid system for HP Data Protector backups using ExaGrid's Universal Backup Share. No installation or lengthy configuration process is required.

Step 3: Configure Backup Jobs with Bridgehead

Configure your backups with HP Data Protector with the desired backup job settings.

Step 4: Redirect Existing Backup Jobs

Via HP Data Protector, simply point the existing backup job(s) to the ExaGrid system's share that you created above.

That's it for most installations. You may also choose to organize additional backups since the ExaGrid system is easily customized to fit your backup and business processes.

Complementary HP Data Protector Features

HP Data Protector provides a complete, flexible, and integrated backup and recovery solution for Windows, Linux, and UNIX environments. Appropriate for medium and large companies, HP Data Protector helps reduce IT costs and complexity while delivering the reliability and scalability needed to grow from a single server environment to the largest distributed enterprise infrastructure.



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