Veritas Cloud Scale Technology
Powering Veritas Alta™ Data Protection to improve operational agility, efficiency, and security in multi-cloud environments.

Accelerated digital transformation and cloud adoption is delivering benefits to businesses around the world. Cloud provider-specific solutions are not ideally suited to meet the challenges of multi-cloud environments, however, resulting in higher costs, greater operational complexity, and vulnerabilities to unplanned downtime.

Veritas Cloud Scale Technology enables Veritas Alta Data Protection to solve this problem by providing efficient deployment in the cloud, seamless operation within multiple clouds, and a consistent data management experience across clouds as well as in the data center.

Key Trends

According to interviews of 1,500 IT decision makers conducted by Vanson Bourne, organizations are already using an average of three different public cloud service providers. But only six percent of these decision makers understand that they—not the cloud provider—are responsible for the protection of these cloud-based workloads, and more than half of them have lost data as a result of using these cloud-native tools.

These organizations need a comprehensive protection strategy that incorporates these new multi-cloud environments without sacrificing cost and efficiency. This comprehensive strategy should work independent of the cloud environment being deploy and provide enterprise-grade data protection and security at scale.

Today’s Challenges

The need to cost-effectively manage and protect data has never been more important—it’s also never been more challenging. Today’s data management technologies are not ideally suited to operate in a multi-cloud environment. They either don’t work efficiently, or they lack the tools to work across multiple clouds. In all cases, operational costs are higher than desired for businesses operating in multi-cloud environments.

Another challenge created by accelerated multi-cloud strategies is the emergence of new data management functions. Where just a few years ago the data protection team centralized all data management decision-making, today it is common for cloud architects, application developers, data scientists, and others to implement their own data management solutions. This change in operations results in greater complexity, costs, and vulnerabilities.

Cloud Scale Technology Basics

- **What it is:** Cloud Scale Technology is a containerized, service-oriented, elastic architecture that enables Veritas Alta products to operate cost-efficiently, resiliently, and securely. It serves as the foundation for autonomous data management.

- **How it works:** Cloud Scale Technology is designed to operate cloud-natively using technologies such as, containers, Kubernetes, and microservices along with web-scale IT techniques such as service elasticity and automation.

- **What it does:** Powers Veritas Alta Data Protection to provide cloud-native operation, resiliency, elastic scalability, and a consistent user experience in multi-cloud environments.

- **What it means for enterprise IT:** Cloud Scale Technology, reduces cloud compute costs by as much as much as 40 percent while ensuring consistent high performance for both backups and recovery and reduces, and cloud storage costs by as much as 90 percent, while proactively identifying, scanning for and eliminating malware threats.
For enterprises to successfully realize the full benefits of their multi-cloud strategies, they need a data management solution that addresses the limitations of today’s data management technologies and the complexity of point products created by operational silos.

**Cloud Scale Technology**

Gartner defines cloud-native as “optimally leveraging or implementing cloud-native characteristics.” Gartner further defines a cloud-native architecture as one that leverages specific principles and components to meet that definition.

Cloud Scale Technology is a new generation of the proven NetBackup architecture that provides the elasticity and resiliency required to achieve significant cost savings within cloud environments. It leverages the scalability and flexibility of the cloud, while providing the consistency and simplicity of a single interface to protect your entire IT infrastructure (see Figure 1).

Figure 1 shows how Cloud Scale Technology makes use of a variety of cloud-native architectural components to power Veritas Alta Data Protection (see Table 1 below for more details).

**Cloud-Native Architectural Examples**

- A containerized, Kubernetes-based deployment model that can be used to create a new cloud-native NetBackup environment, or complement an existing one that spans multiple clouds.
- A microservices-based architecture that provides the portability to work within multiple clouds and resiliency for service availability.
- Elastic services that autonomously grow and shrink as needed to optimize cloud resource usage and costs.
- API-driven microservices that enable cross-domain workflow automation.

*Table 1. Cloud-native architectural examples*
Here are additional examples of benefits that only Cloud Scale Technology can provide:

- Reduce cloud compute costs by as much as 40 percent using elastic snapshots and backups. Automatically scale compute and memory resources to meet increasing demand during snapshot and backup operations, and then releases those resources when demand subsides.

- Leverage global, end-to-end deduplication with multiple options of where and how deduplication is performed.

- Reduce storage costs by as much as 90 percent by combining cloud-native snapshots with automated snapshot lifecycle management. Cloud Scale Technology combines cloud-native services such as Azure snapshots with deduplication and intelligent automation to seamlessly reduce the size of snapshots and store them on lower-cost storage.

- Scale and protect cloud workloads with efficient and secure object storage support. Access data directly from backup object storage, providing a virtual file system view and malware scanning of data that is compressed, encrypted, and deduplicated.

- Simplified deployment directly from public cloud marketplaces and native tools.

Business Value

While the majority of enterprises accelerate their multi-cloud strategies in pursuit of greater business agility and operational efficiencies, they need a data management solution that can help them achieve their goals. Cloud Scale Technology's service elasticity and modern web-scale technologies enable Veritas Alta Data Protection to operate cloud-natively within a cloud, yet deliver a consistent experience across multiple clouds to improve return on investment (ROI), service resiliency, and security while reducing operational complexity and costs.

Learn More

Veritas has been ranked a Leader in the Gartner Magic Quadrant for Enterprise Backup & Recovery for 17 years running. We've helped the largest companies protect their data from the edge to the core and across multiple clouds, and we welcome the opportunity to work with you.

With 100 exabytes of information currently under management, NetBackup gives enterprises a simple and powerful way to ensure the integrity and availability of their data.

To learn more about Veritas Alta Data Protection, visit veritas.com/alta/data-protection.

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