

Abstract

Specialized hardware is giving architects new high-efficiency options to accelerate the WAN and avoid “long fat network” problems. This session will explore how network processors, FPGAs, flash storage, ultra capacitors, and other exotic silicon is increasing the capabilities and performance of WAN-based applications. Specific use cases include Distributed Message Routing, Web Data Streaming, Sensor Nets, and Active/Active Data Grid Replication.



Distributed Data Fabrics and Hardware WAN Optimization

Achieving 10X WAN Efficiency in Globally
Distributed Applications

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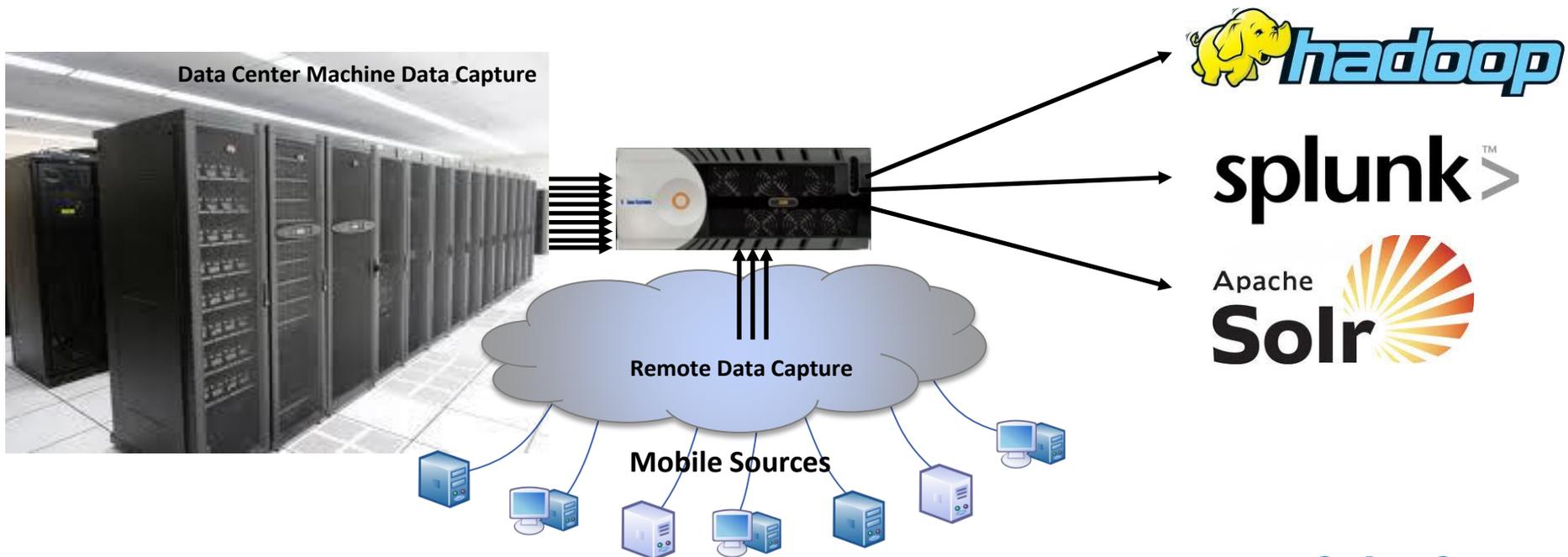
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Agenda

- **Introduce the use case**
- **TCP/IP and the Long Fat Network Problem**
- **Technology & Industry Trends**
- **How do traditional WANop solutions help (HW & SW)**
- **What isn't addressed with network layer WANop**
- **Message Brokers and application specific WANop**
- **Advanced Silicon and Exotic Hardware**
- **Benchmarking Performance**
- **Q&A**

Real-time Streaming Big Data

Need is for efficiently collecting, aggregating and moving large amounts of streaming machine generated data from multiple sources to multiple data stores across multiple locations.



Old Faithful

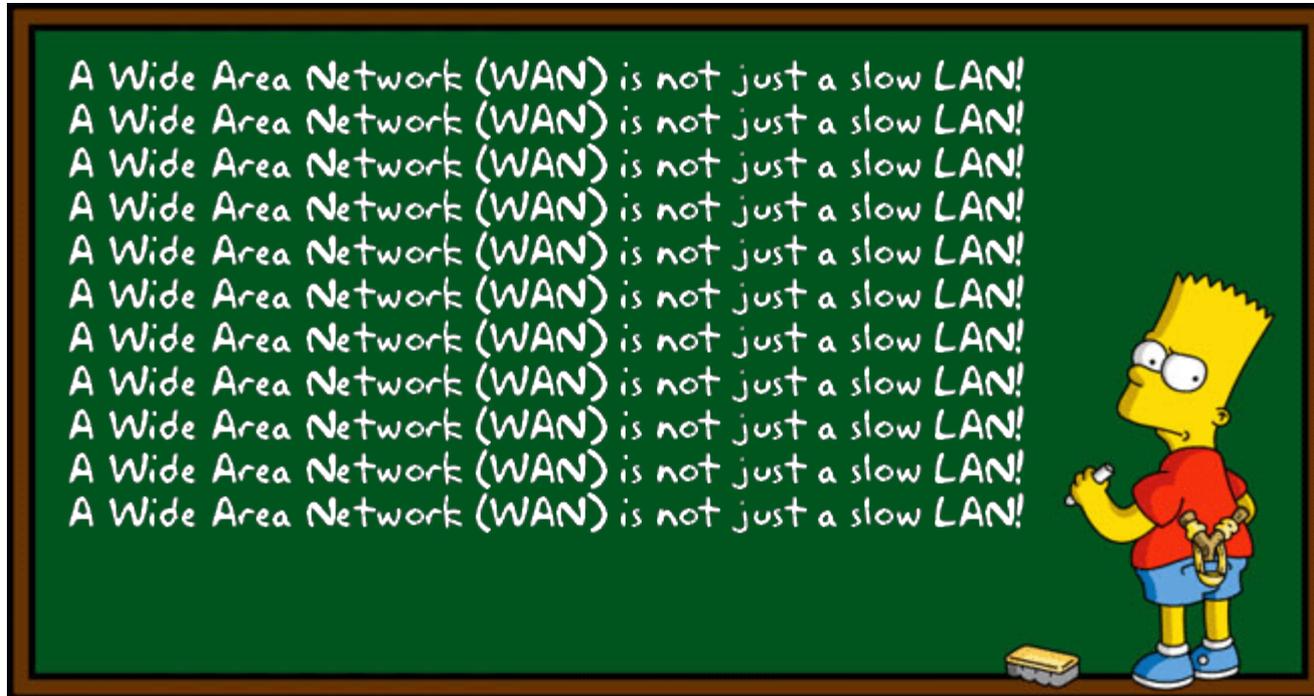
TCP Header

| Offsets | Octet | 0 | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Octet | Bit | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | |
| 0 | 0 | Source port | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Destination port | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 32 | Sequence number | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | 64 | Acknowledgment number (if ACK set) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12 | 96 | Data offset | Reserved | N | C | E | U | A | P | R | S | F | Window Size | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 0 | 0 | 0 | S | W | C | R | C | S | S | Y | I | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | R | E | G | K | H | T | N | N | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 128 | Checksum | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Urgent pointer (if URG set) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 20 | 160 | Options (if Data Offset > 5, padded at the end with "0" bytes if necessary) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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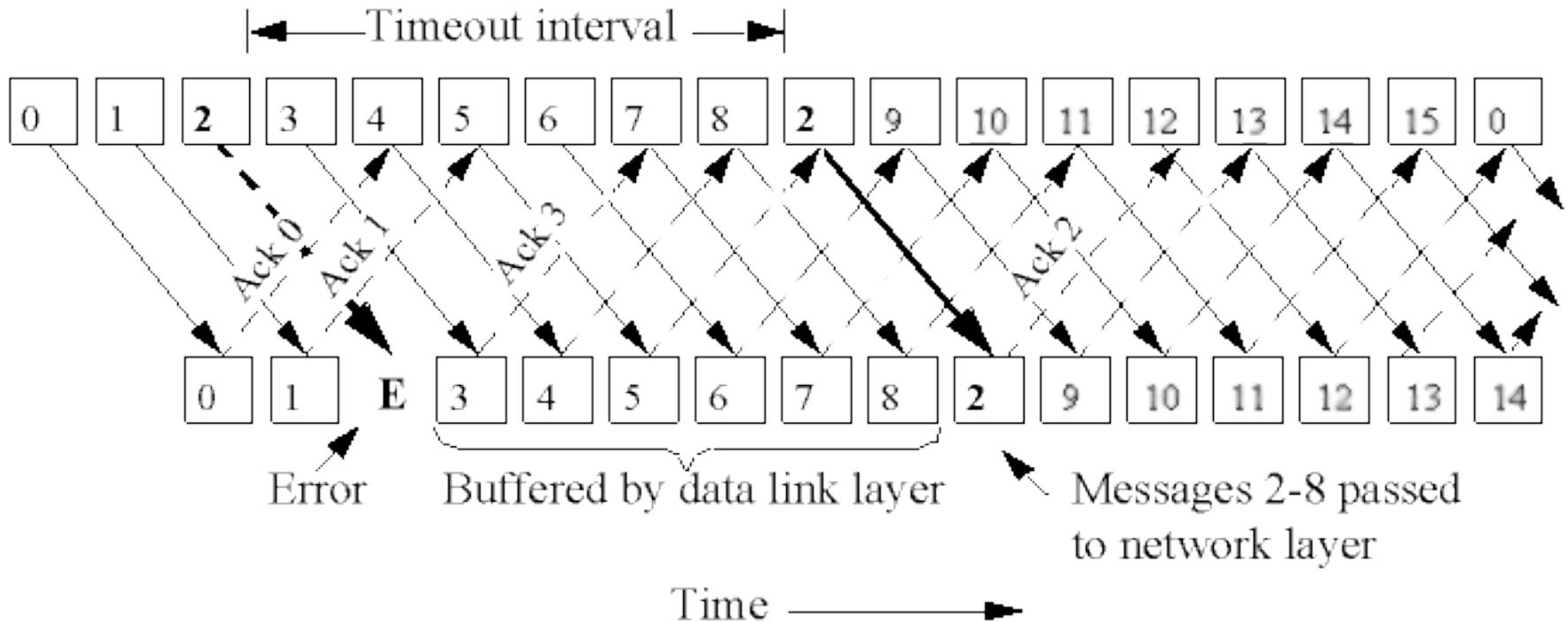
What do we get?

- **Reliable**
- **Ordered delivery (of a stream of octets)**
- **Error-free data transfer**
- **Flow control**
- **Congestion control**

Everything comes with a price



The LFN (Elephant) in the room



Throughput != Bandwidth

- **Bandwidth**
- **Latency (RTT)**
- **Error Rate (Loss)**

- **Handy online calculators of effective throughput**
 - <http://www.silver-peak.com/calculator/>

WAN Throughput Calculator

This calculator is used to measure the effect that bandwidth, latency and packet loss have on effective WAN throughput. The measurements are used to approximate this metric on a per flow basis. While certain applications can take advantage of multiple flows for increased throughput, other applications (e.g. data replication) require high throughput on each individual flow.

WAN Bandwidth: Mbps

WAN Latency: ms

WAN Loss: %

Calculate

Maximum Effective Throughput (per flow): **1.65 Mbps**

Below are common latency and loss metrics:

LATENCY

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| LAN | 5 ms |
| Western US to Eastern US | 80-100 ms |
| International | 100-200 ms |
| Satellite | 500+ ms |

LOSS

| | |
|--------------|-----------|
| LAN | 0% |
| Private Line | 0% |
| MPLS | .1 to .5% |
| IP VPN | .5 to 1% |

Why is this problem growing?

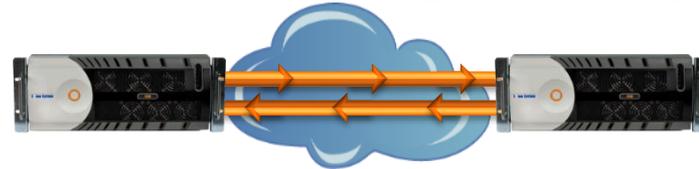
- **Globalization**
 - **Public Internet backbone**
 - **RDBMS -> NoSQL, IMDG**
 - **Rich Data Types**
 - **Mobile Apps**
 - **Client Side Data**
 - **DR and BCP**
1. **Bandwidth**
 2. **Latency (RTT)**
 3. **Error Rate (Loss)**



Traditional WAN optimization techniques

- **Deduplication**
- **Compression**
- **Latency optimization**
- **Caching/proxy**
- **Forward error correction**
- **Protocol spoofing**
- **Traffic shaping**
- **Equalizing / Prioritizing**
- **Connection limiting**
- **Rate limiting**

Bi-directional Message Streaming



Hardware Compression



Multiple Parallel Connections



Offloading the IP Stack to Hardware



Cavium Octeon II

- **32 core MIPS64 Processor**

Pre-built application acceleration engines

- **Packet Processing**
- **Encryption/Decryption**
- **Deep Packet Inspection (RegEx)**
- **Compression/decompression**
- **De-duplication**
- **RAID**

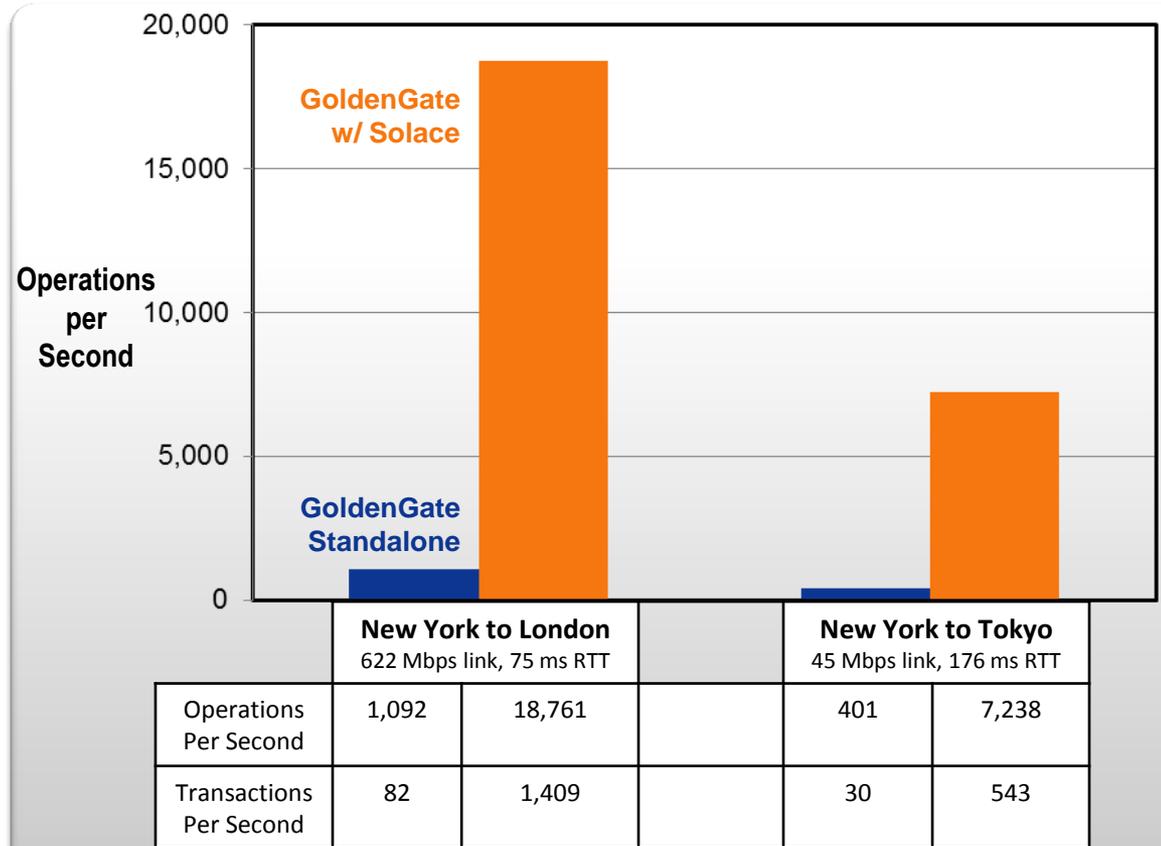
Millions of concurrent connections

Improving the Speed of GoldenGate Synchronization

Real customer results

- Tested synchronization over a 622 Mbps link between New York and London with 75 ms round trip time
- And over a 45 Mbps link between New York and Tokyo with 175 ms round trip time

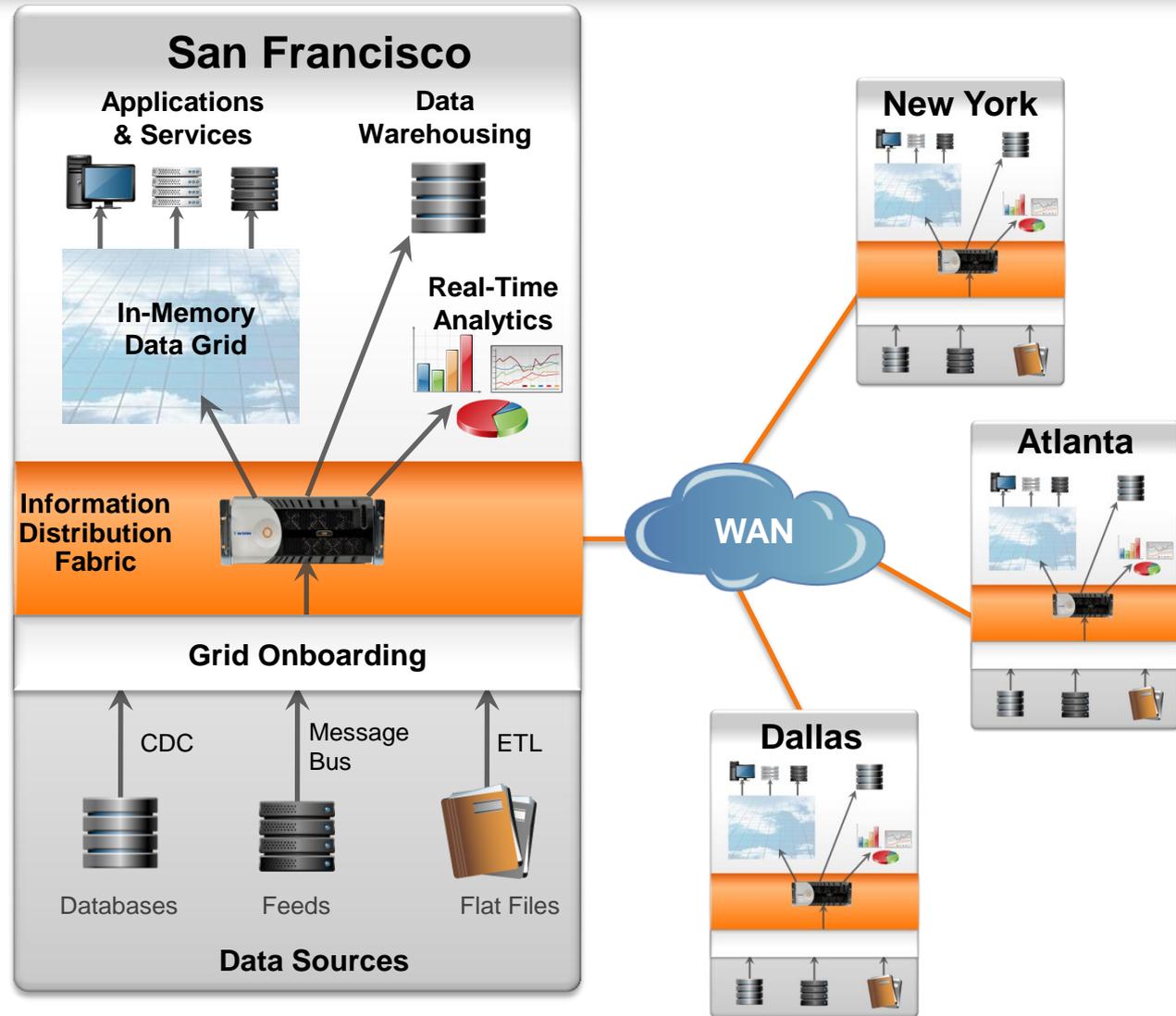
Solace 18x Faster



Back to the use case

Transactions != Packets
Database Records != Packets
Objects != Packets

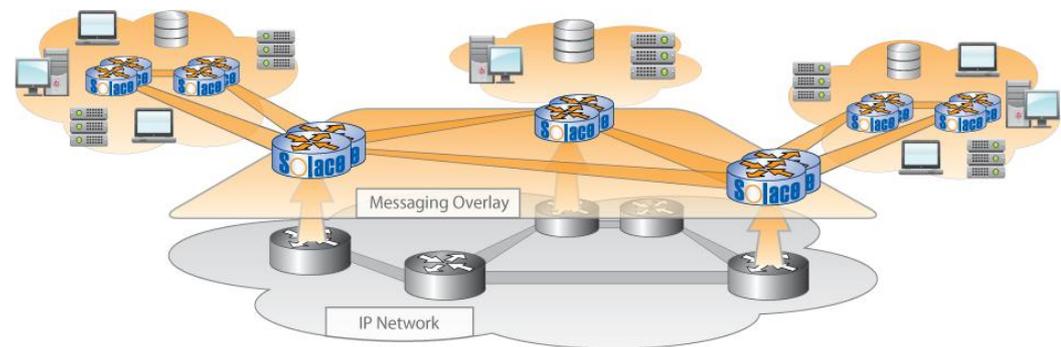
The Modern Information Distribution Fabric



Messaging Middleware Value

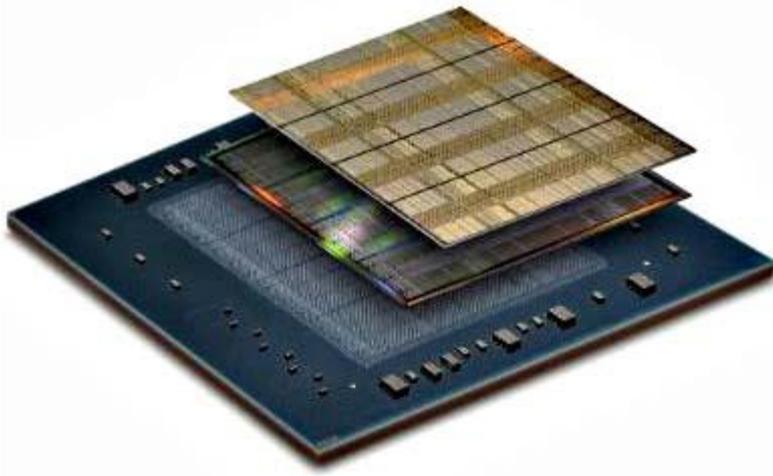


- Producer/Consumer Decoupling
- Disconnected Operation
- Location Independence
- Multipoint Delivery
- Advanced Filtering & Routing
- Message-based Granularity



Messaging layer on top of your IP network, so you can make messaging a shared optimized service.

FPGA



Xilinx Virtex-7 2000T FPGA

- **More than twice the capacity and bandwidth offered by the largest monolithic devices**
- **2 million logic cells (equivalent to 20 million ASIC gates)**
- **6.8 billion transistors**

Horizontal scalability on a single chip



Intel Westmere-EX

- **2.6 billion transistors**
- **10 64-bit cores @ 2.4 GHz**
- **7,200 MIPS**
- **130 watts TDP**

Xilinx Virtex-7 2000T FPGA

- **6.8 billion transistors**
- **3,600 8-bit processors @ 100 MHz**
- **180,000 MIPS**
- **20 watts TDP**

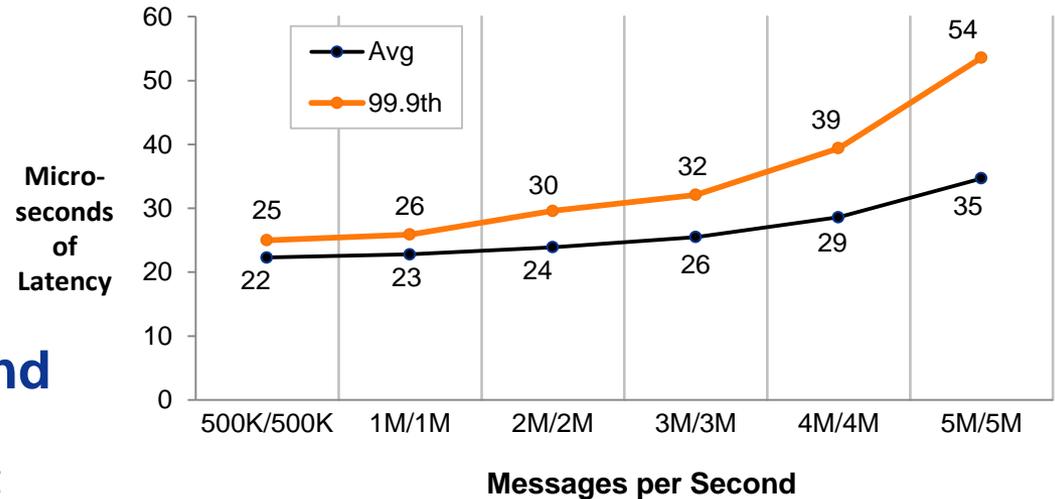
Reliable Messaging

○ Pure hardware solution

- No operating system
- No context switching
- No interrupts
- No data copies

○ 10 million messages/second

- Can be any combination, e.g. 5M in & 5M out, 2M in & 8M out



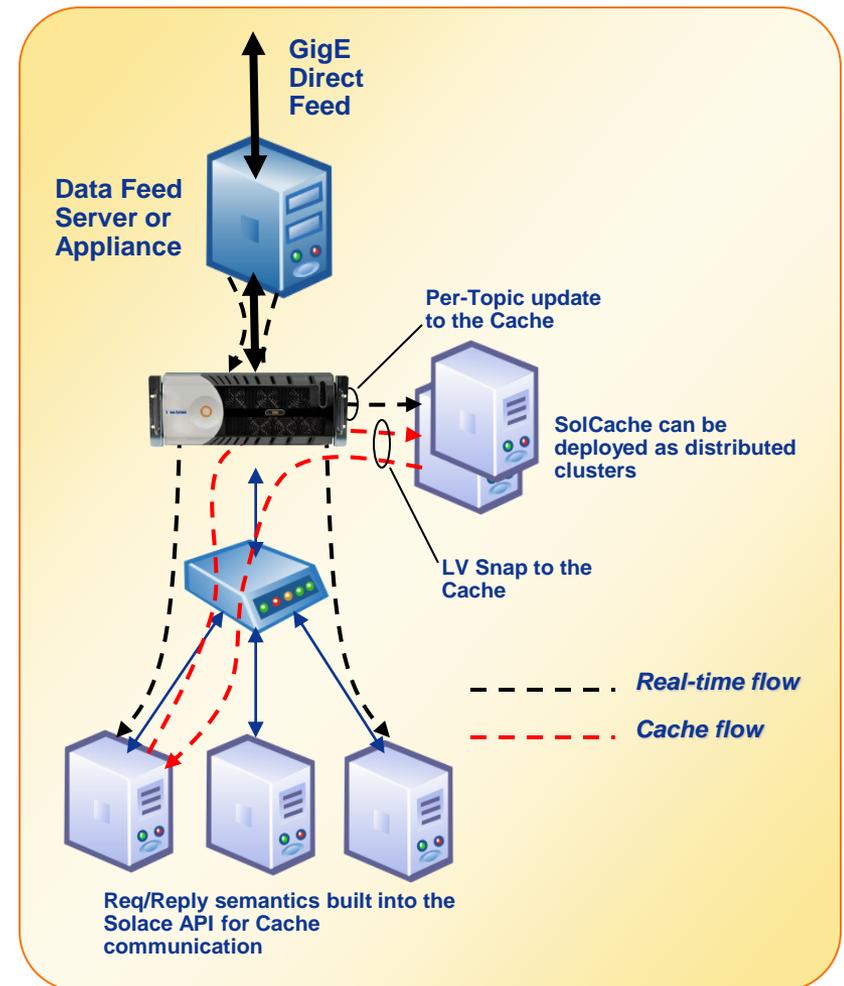
| Bulk Message Rate | Message Size (bytes) | Message Rate (msgs/sec) | User Payload Bandwidth (Mbps) |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | 100 | 5,930,000 | 4,744 |
| | 500 | 2,080,000 | 8,320 |
| | 1,000 | 1,080,000 | 8,640 |
| | 12,000 | 92,000 | 8,832 |
| | 30,000 | 34,000 | 8,160 |

10GigE Line Rate the is Limit

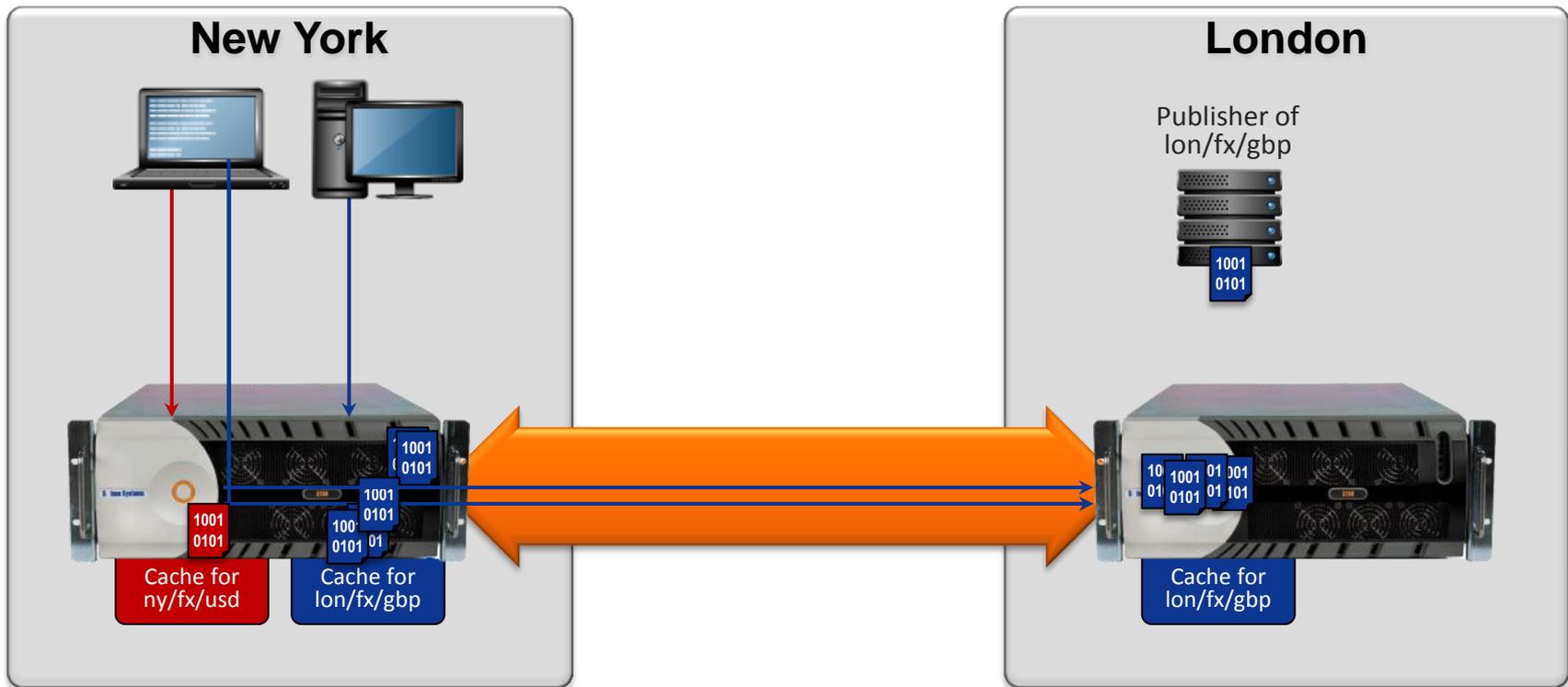
In Memory Message Caching

Non-persistent last-value cache can handle any payload

- Cache by number or timeframe
- Can run on appliance, or as a 64-bit app on a Linux server
- Centralized management of all caches.
- Clustering for load balancing and redundancy
- Support wildcard requests
- Request/reply with the cache, and control of synchronization of cache requests
- Topic names partitioned amongst instances to scale storage



Cascading Cache



Incremental Updates

Cache Contents for NY/EQ/JNPR

SYMBOL: JNPR

VENUE: NYSE

LAST: 19.19

VOLUME: 31,870

DAY LOW: 19.03

DAY HIGH: 19.21

52-WEEK LOW: 15.13

52-WEEK HIGH: 23.98

Updated Cache Contents

SYMBOL: JNPR

VENUE: NYSE

LAST: 19.19

VOLUME: 31,870

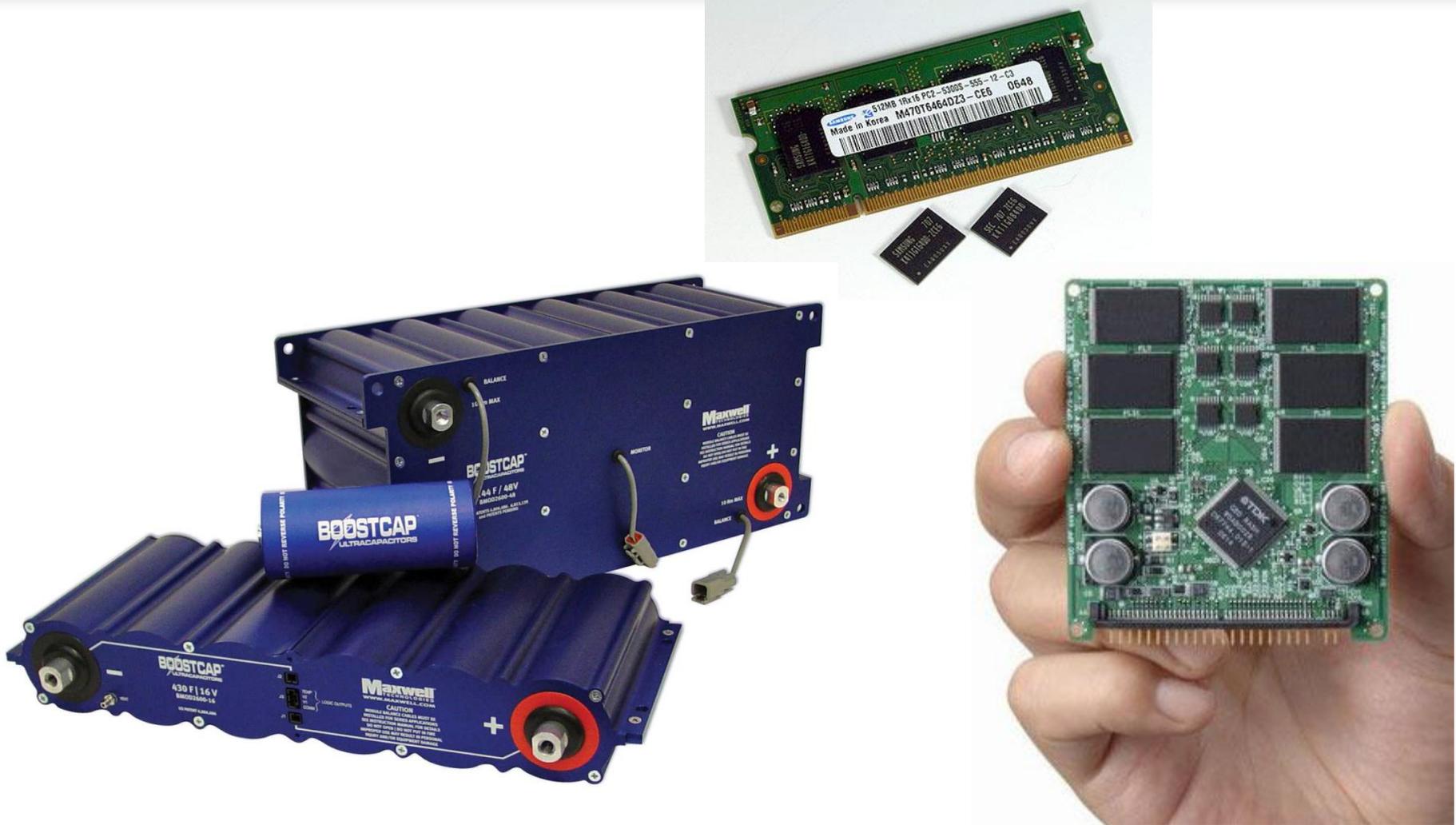
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DAY HIGH: 19.21

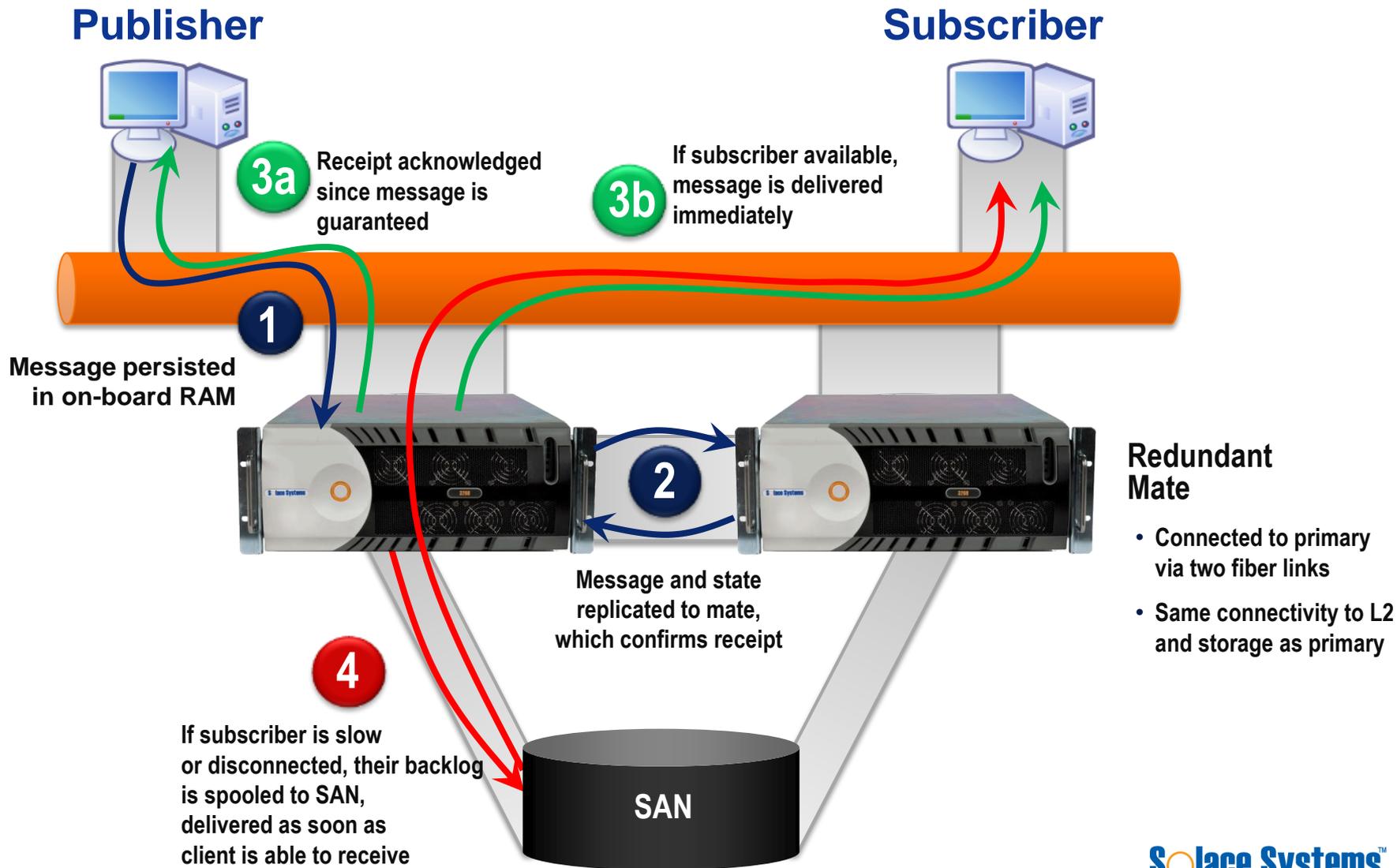
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Hybrid Storage



Fault Tolerant Clustering of Messaging Nodes

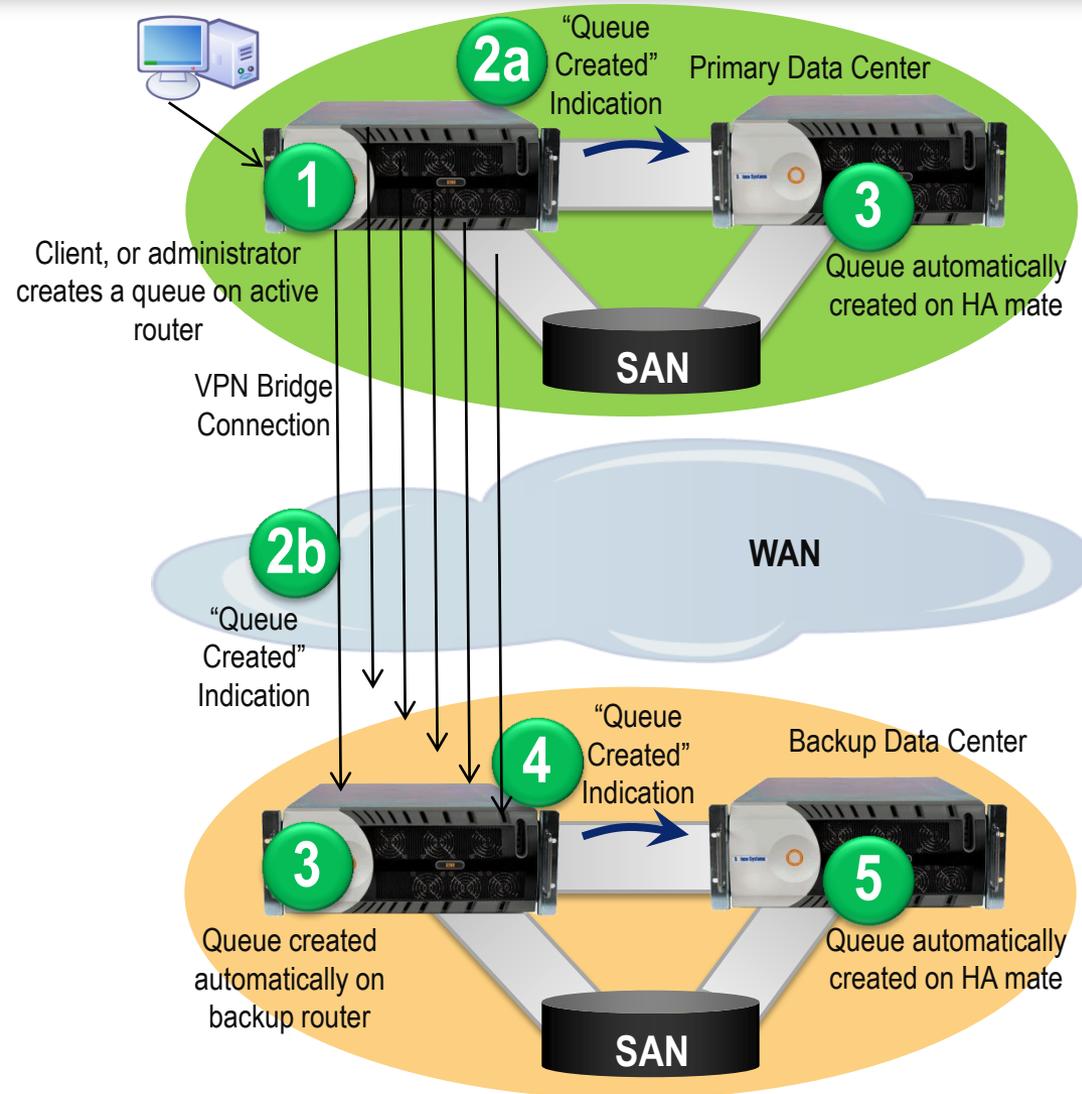


Multiple Datacenters and Disaster Recovery

Automatic replication of:

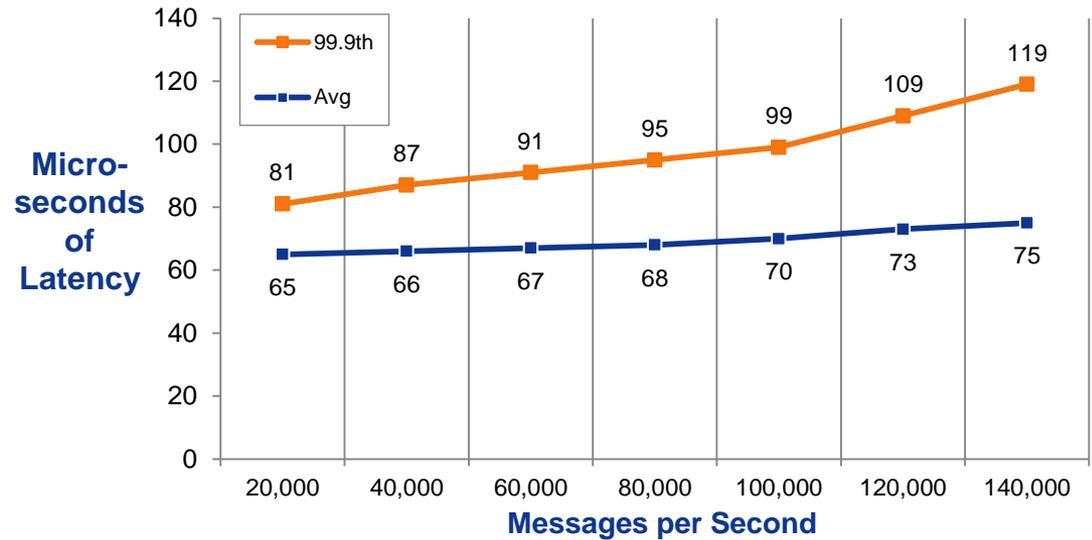
- Client-created endpoints
- Configuration data
- Transactional state

Needs Configurability for Sync & Asynchronous replication



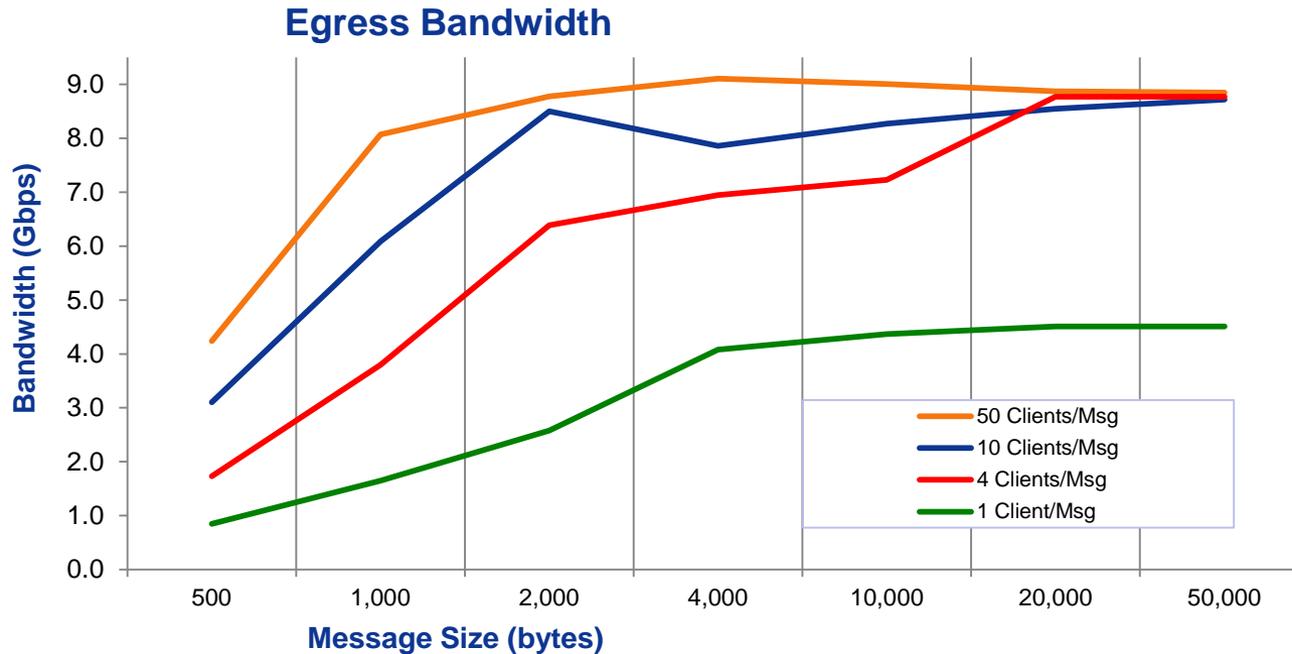
Guaranteed Messaging; Store & Forward Performance

- **Failsafe w/o overhead of persisting every message to disk**
- **205K msgs/sec ingress and 205K msgs/sec egress**
- **Up to 4.5 Gbps of guaranteed messaging bandwidth**
- **Consistent latency even when servicing slow or recovering subscribers**



| | Message Size (bytes) | Message Rate (msgs/sec) | User Payload Bandwidth (Mbps) |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Bulk Message Rate | 100 | 206,400 | 165 |
| | 512 | 206,400 | 845 |
| | 1,024 | 202,000 | 1,655 |
| | 2,048 | 157,500 | 2,580 |
| | 4,096 | 124,400 | 4,076 |
| | 10,240 | 53,400 | 4,375 |
| | 20,480 | 27,500 | 4,506 |
| | 51,200 | 11,000 | 4,506 |

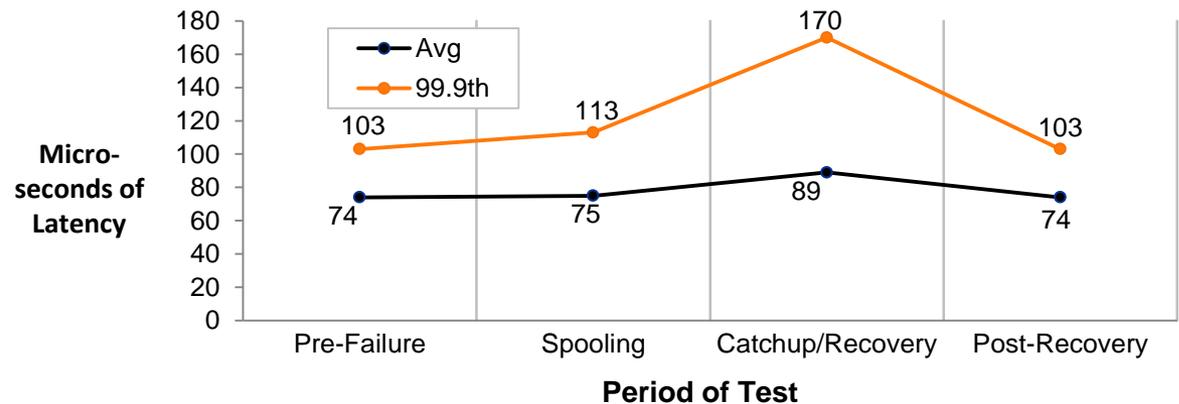
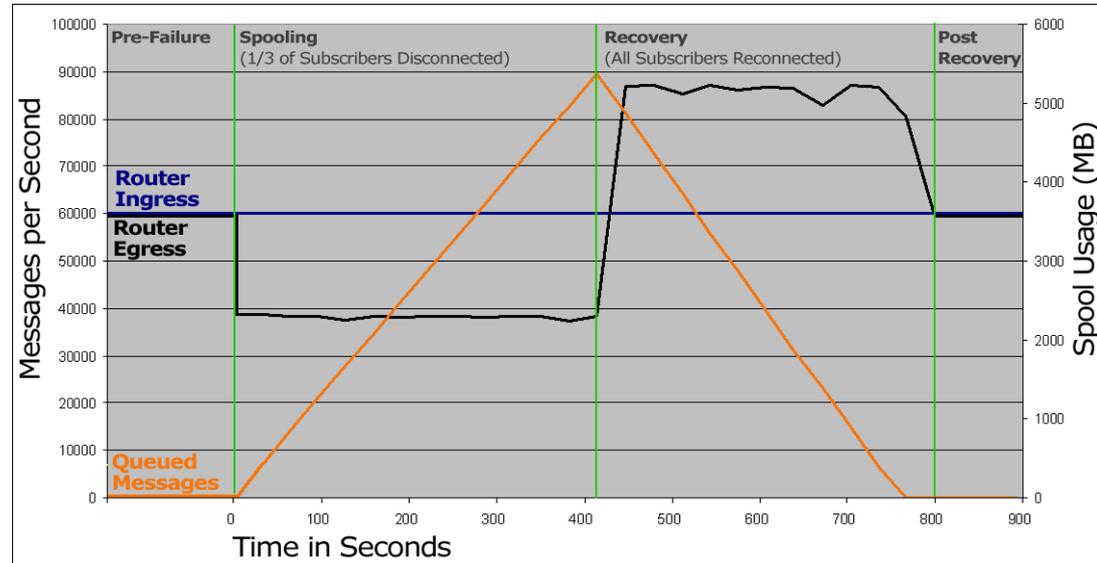
Guaranteed Messaging; Fan-out performance



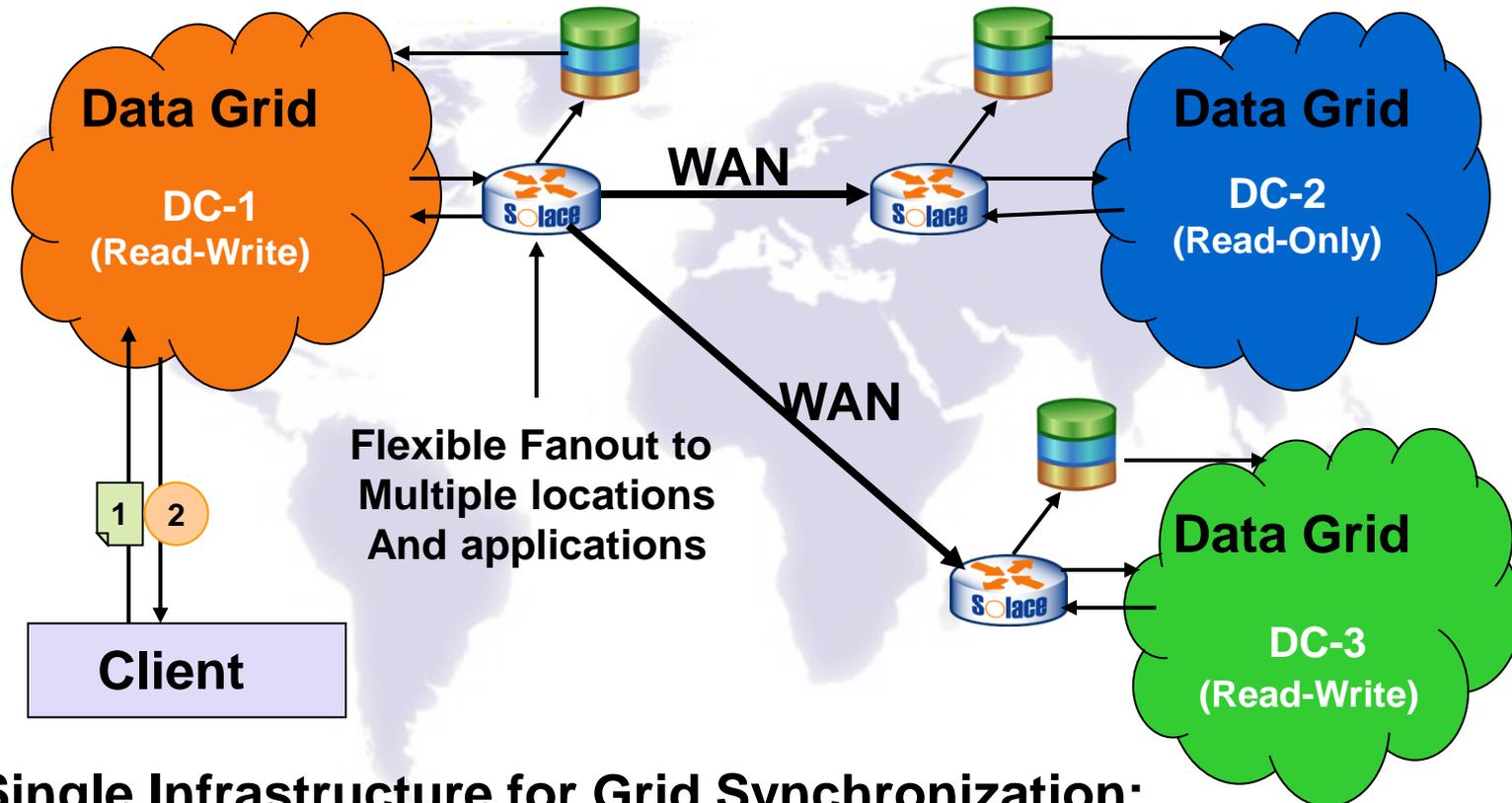
| Message Size (bytes) | Egress Rate, 1 client/msg (msgs/sec) | Egress Rate, 4 clients/msg (msgs/sec) | Egress Rate, 10 clients/msg (msgs/sec) | Egress Rate, 50 clients/msg (msgs/sec) |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| 512 | 206,400 | 422,000 | 756,000 | 1,035,000 |
| 1,024 | 202,000 | 464,000 | 744,000 | 985,000 |
| 2,048 | 157,500 | 390,000 | 519,000 | 536,000 |
| 4,096 | 124,400 | 212,000 | 250,000 | 278,000 |
| 10,240 | 53,400 | 88,300 | 101,000 | 110,000 |
| 20,480 | 27,500 | 53,500 | 52,200 | 54,150 |
| 51,200 | 11,000 | 21,400 | 21,300 | 21,600 |

Offline or Slow Consumer Handling

- Publisher rates not affected by slow/offline consumers
- Fast consumers not affected in rate or latency by slow/offline consumers
- Re-connected subscribers “catch up” without impacting other clients
- Behavior & performance cannot be matched by software due to patented technology



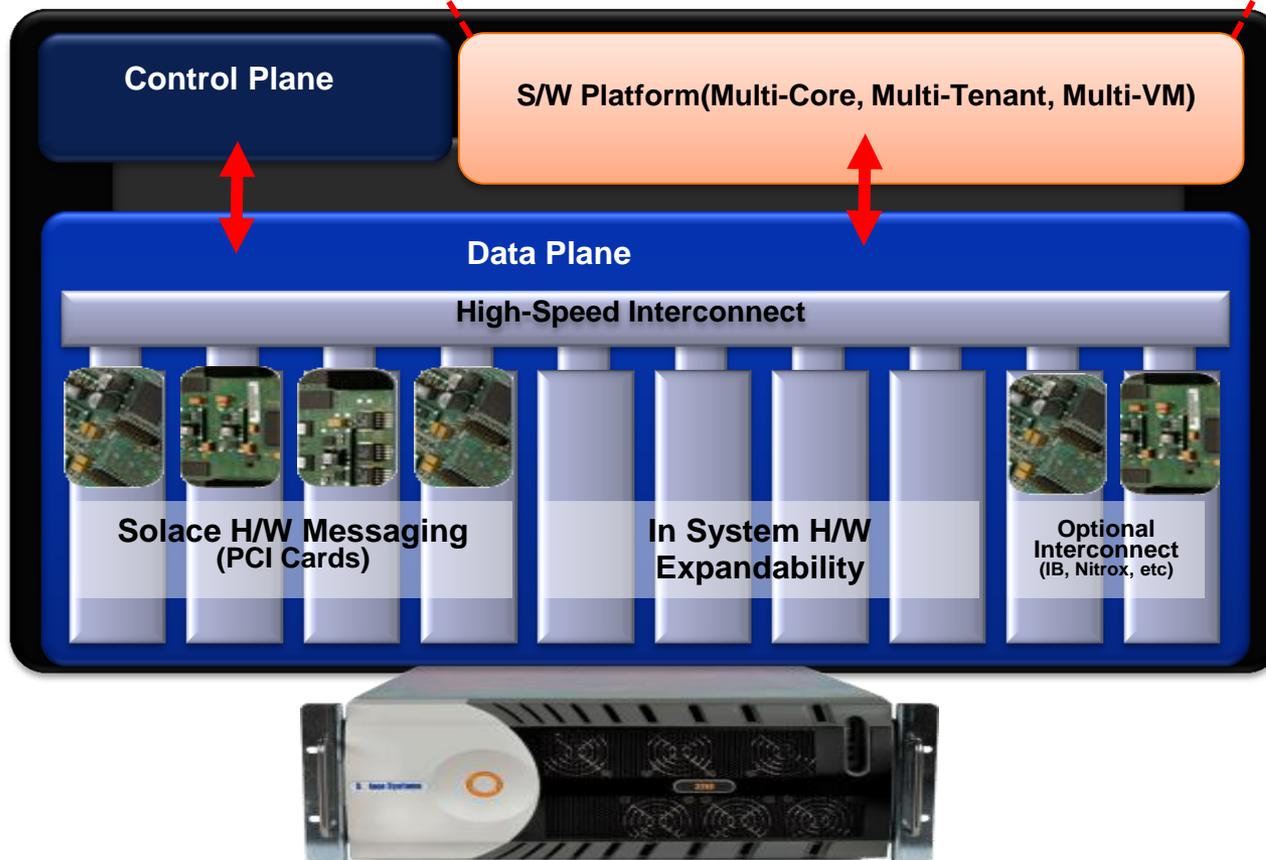
Optimized In-memory Grid Replication



Single Infrastructure for Grid Synchronization:

- inherently one-to-many, so can propagate to many other sites/instances – either locally or over the WAN
- Supports DR, Active/Passive, or Active/Active architectures

Solace as an Appliance Platform



- Messaging all in hardware
- General purpose processors used to run 3rd party software that interacts seamlessly with hardware messaging internally
- Integration is easy with JMS
- Enables flexible solution options within an appliance

APIs: JMS, C, .Net, Java, JavaScript, Flash, Silverlight, iOS, Node.js, Ruby, Python, etc.

The Modern Information Distribution Fabric

High Volume
Onboarding

Fast, Efficient
WAN Sync

