

# Data Center Evolution

## Dell Private Cloud

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# A pivotal moment in IT is happening now ...



AI impact



Edge, Cloud,  
Datacenter



Closed or Open  
Ecosystems



Cost control  
OPEX & CAPEX



Physical &  
Cyber Security

... leading customers to re-evaluate their data strategy

“I have concerns about vendor lock-in and rising licensing costs”

“I have to solve for AI **and** Edge **AND** traditional workloads across multiple ecosystems”

“I want to make the right choices for today and tomorrow”

81%

50%

83%

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75%

Believe AI will transform their industry

of enterprises to explore re-virtualization<sup>1</sup>

of all data is on-premises

of all new data is generated at the edge

of enterprise CIOs plan to repatriate workloads

more cost effective on-premises

# The State of VxRail & VMware

## Maintenance & Broadcom Subscription Crossroads

Renew or Refresh Decision

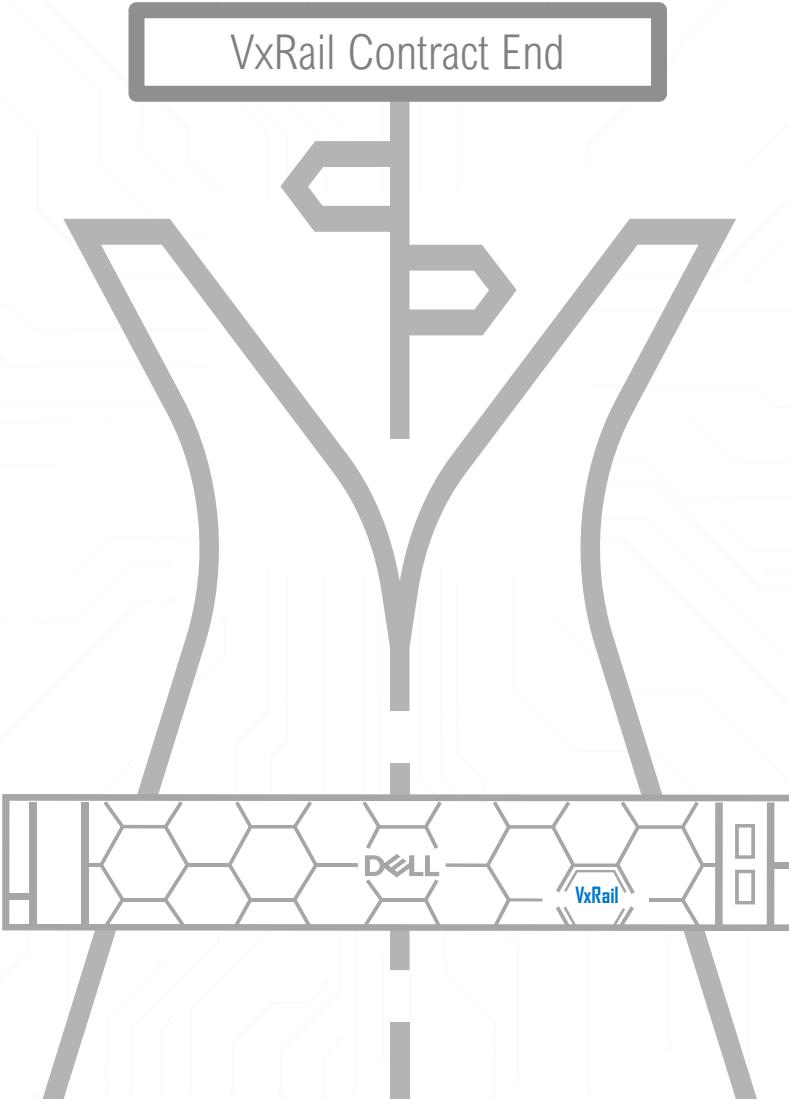
### Maintain Route

Status Quo

VxRail Hardware Renewals + Broadcom VCF License

VMware Only, Fixed Compute & Storage Scaling

High 2-3yr Costs: Renew Today, Replace Tomorrow



### Modernize Route

Invest in The Future

Lower Infrastructure & Licensing Costs

Hypervisor Freedom, Independent Compute & Storage

High 2-3yr Savings vs. Status Quo

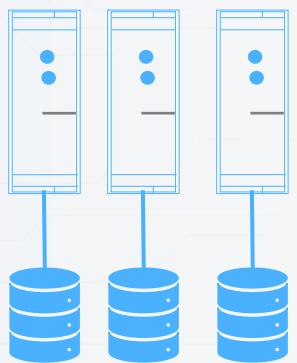
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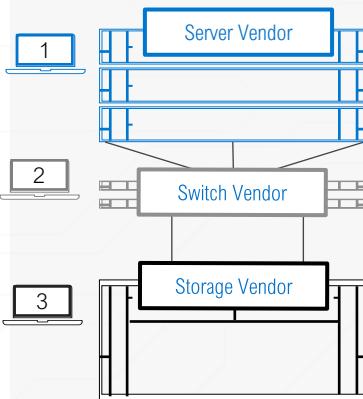
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Direct Attached Storage



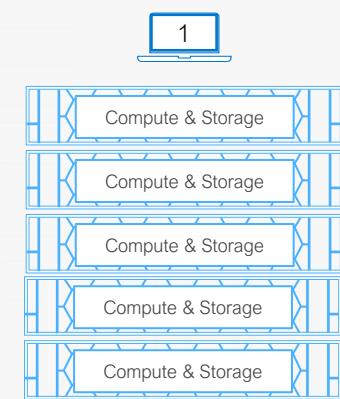
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Mixed Vendor 3-Tier



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Hyperconverged Infrastructure



Challenge:  
Cannot share or scale  
storage

Challenge:  
Management Console &  
Support Complexity

Challenge:  
Hypervisor Lock, Low  
Utilization, Fixed Scaling  
Compute & Storage

VXR

Renewals, New VCF Subscription, Fixed Scaling Required Now

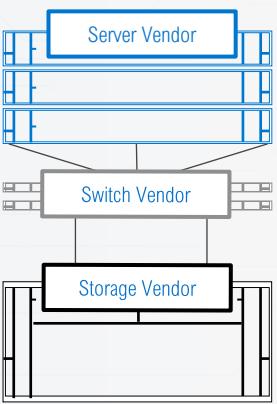
**“So, What’s Next?**  
We don’t want to go  
backwards, but don’t want  
to accept the HCI flaws....”

# Traditional 3-Tier Compromises

## Multi-Vendor Server, Network & Storage

Simplicity at the Sacrifice of Flexibility

Mixed Vendor  
3-Tier



Hypervisor Freedom  
Freedom to choose & change hypervisor



Independent Scaling  
Of Compute & Storage Resources



High Efficiency Low Cost  
Server Consolidation & Storage DRR



## Flexibility... At Cost of Simplicity



3 Management Points  
Complexity to manage vendors



Mixed Vendor Support  
And conflicting vision on future state



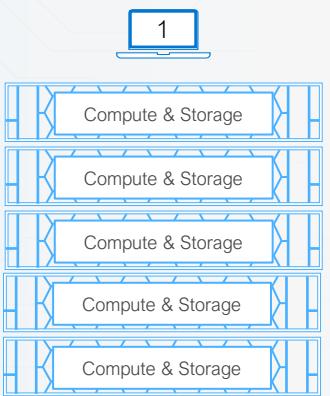
Limited Automation of Tasks  
Without a cohesive vendor software solution

# VxRail HCI Compromises

## Hyperconverged VMware Infrastructure

Flexibility at the Sacrifice of Simplicity

VxRail HCI  
Infrastructure



Single Console  
Compute, Network, Storage Consolidation



Automated Operations & LCM  
Simplify Deploying Resources, Code Upgrades



Single Vendor Support  
With faster time to issue resolution



## At Cost of Flexibility

Hypervisor Lock-In  
Automating Operations Requires Vendor Lock



Fixed & Inefficient Compute & Storage Scaling  
<20% Avg CPU, <35% Avg Ram, <45% Avg Storage\*



High Licensing Costs  
Require Highest Broadcom Subscription & Core Costs



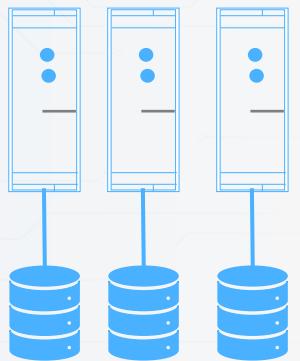
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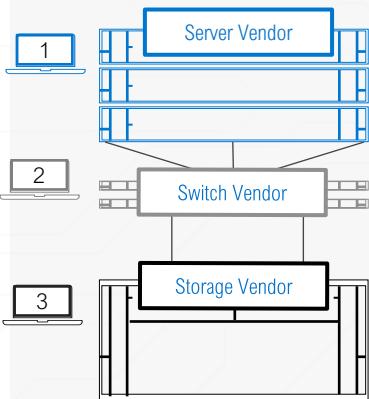
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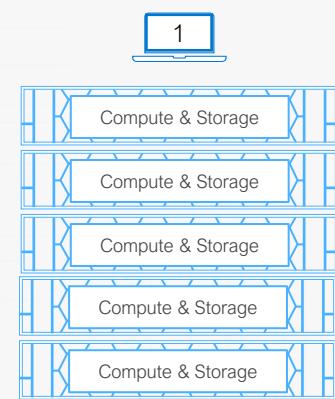
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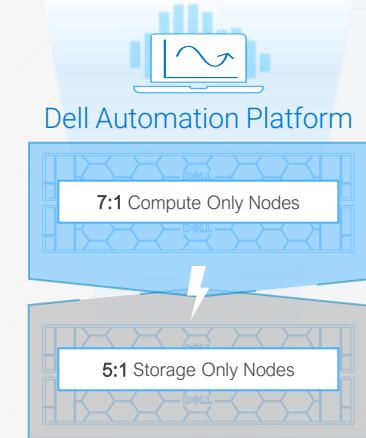
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Hyperconverged Infrastructure



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Disaggregated Dell Private Cloud



**“Go Forward,  
To the next evolution in  
Modern Data Center!”**

**Challenge:**  
Cannot share or scale  
storage

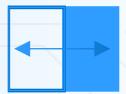
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Compute & Storage

**Modern Outcomes:**  
Best of 3-Tier Scale and HCI  
Operations with Hypervisor  
Freedom

# Intro To Dell Private Cloud

## “3-Tier” Flexibility



Disaggregated Infrastructure  
PowerEdge, PowerStore, Network & PowerProtect<sup>1</sup>

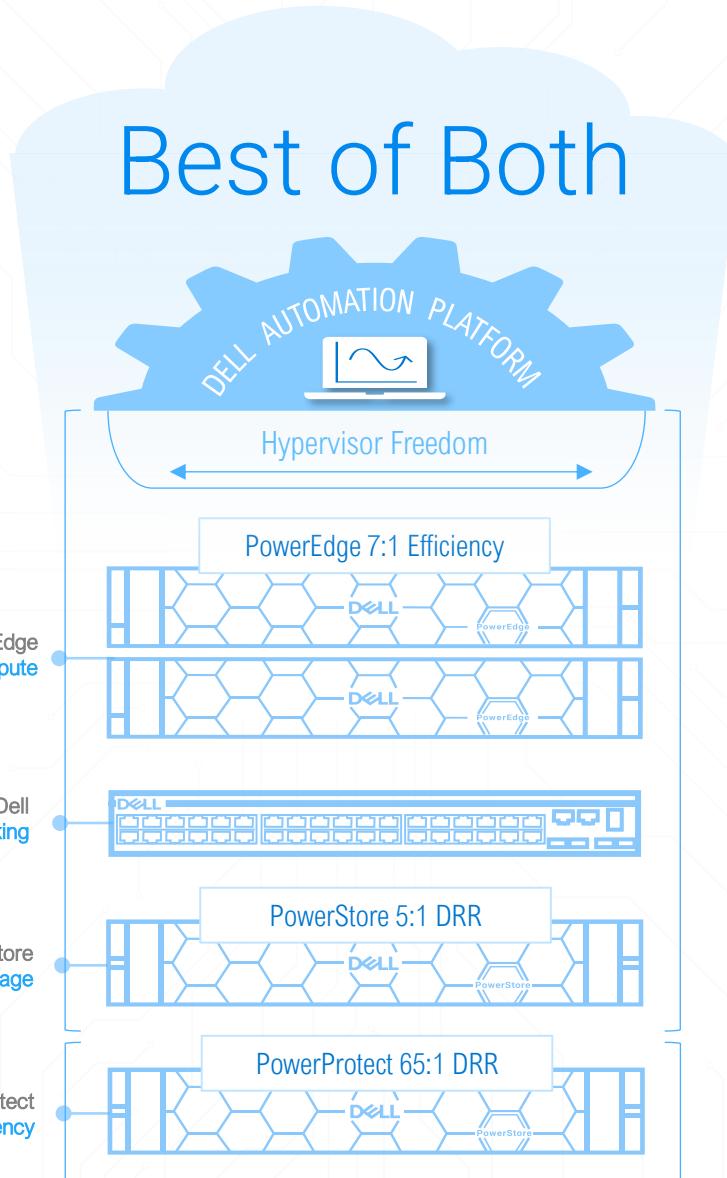


Hypervisor Freedom  
Choose & Change Software



Highly Efficient, Low Cost  
7:1 Server Reduce & 5:1 Storage DRR

Up to 32% Cost vs. HCI<sup>2</sup>



## HCI Simplicity

Single Management Console  
Manage Compute, Network, Storage like HCI



Automated Operations & LCM  
Simplify Deploying Resources & Upgrades like HCI



Single Vendor Support  
With faster time to issue resolution like HCI



<sup>1</sup>Dell PowerProtect can integrate with PowerStore, and Dell AIOps, but is not managed via Dell Private Cloud

<sup>2</sup>Dell internal analysis – calculations based on comparisons between vSAN Ready Nodes (HCI) and PowerEdge + PowerStore

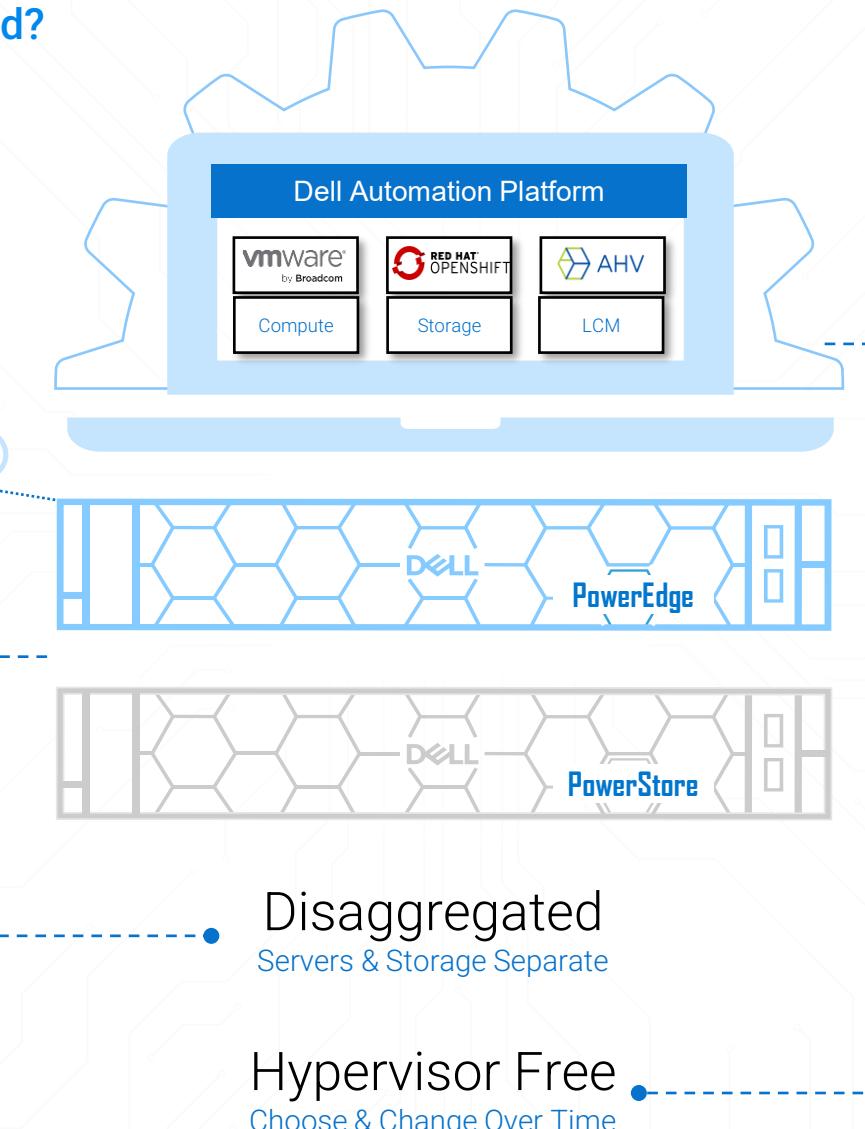
# 101: What Exactly Is The Dell Private Cloud?

## What Makes Up The Dell Private Cloud?

### What Is It?

- 1 PowerEdge Servers
- 2 PowerStore Storage
- 3 Dell Private Cloud License (Subscription 1-5yr per server)
- 4 Dell Automation Platform (Subscription gets you DAP "VxRail Manager for DPC")

Like VxRail, networking is required but separately purchased. Can "BYON"



### What Can It Do?

- 5 Automates: Deploy, Expansion, LCM (Of the components just like VxRail Manager)
- 6 BYO Virtualization Software (No need to pre-buy)
- 7 Redeploy HW & New Hypervisor (Changed your mind? DAP can redeploy HW/SW)
- 8 Use Existing Gear & Scale Over Time (Use existing PowerEdge/Store, and/or can start as PowerEdge/Store only Day 1, add DPC licensing later)

# Which way now?

## *New Position*

*...unless committed to hyperconverged*

### Shared Infrastructure

Open and flexible with the freedom of independent compute, network & storage to avoid vendor lock-in



**Unlock your data with Dell Storage**

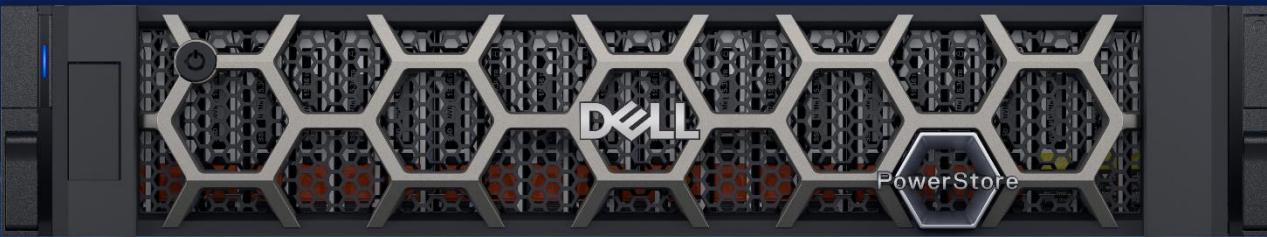
### Hyperconverged

Tightly integrated hypervisor, compute, and storage

# Block & Unified

*All segments: Large Enterprise / DTS / Enterprise / ACQ / SMB*

## Lead with **PowerStore**



The smart choice for all-flash storage due to its **future-proof architecture, efficiency, and ease of use**:

- Unified, all-flash storage for diverse workloads from virtualization and databases to containers
- Future proof investments with a scale up & out architecture and Lifecycle Extension w/ProSupport
- Automatically lower costs with the Industry's Best 5:1 Data Reduction Guarantee
- Voted #1 in ease of use with AI-driven simplicity and end-to-end ecosystem automations
- Simplify operations with automated provisioning and full lifecycle management through Dell Private Cloud

## Unless

- True scale-out, software-defined storage
- Offers extreme performance and petabyte scale

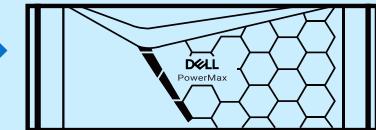
### PowerFlex



## Unless

- Mission-critical workloads demanding the absolute highest levels of performance and resiliency

### PowerMax



## Unless

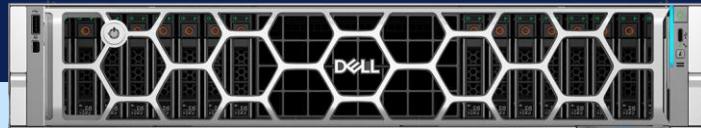
- Require lowest starting price for price sensitive customer
- Block-only storage, simple for server-attach
- Ideal for small to medium scale workloads, edge and select use cases (e.g. HPC and Surveillance)

### PowerVault



# Complete the solution

- A single vendor for storage, server, and cyber resilience delivers
- a **Consistent, Predictable, Reliable** customer experience



## Compute

- Add PowerEdge servers, purpose-built for diverse use cases.
- Consolidate up to 7 five-year-old servers into one latest Dell PowerEdge server: Up to 65% lower CPU energy cost & up to 34% savings in licensing costs.<sup>1</sup>

PowerEdge



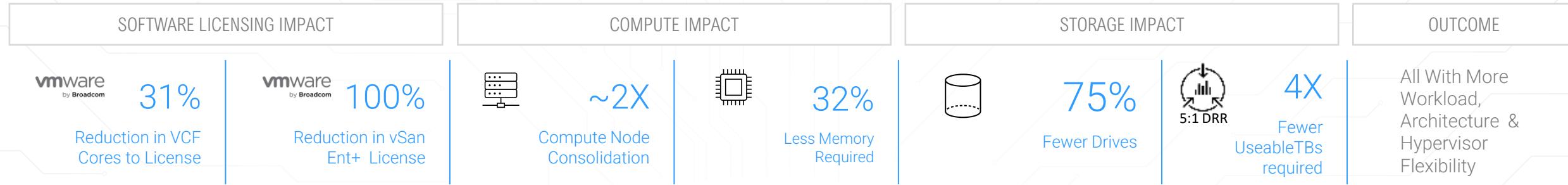
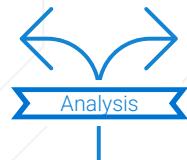
## Cyber resilience

- Discuss how PowerProtect can empower organizations to confidently drive AI innovation with secure, protected workloads
- Remember: Storage Direct Protection allows you to control backups and ~65:1 dedupe directly from PowerStore Manager

PowerProtect

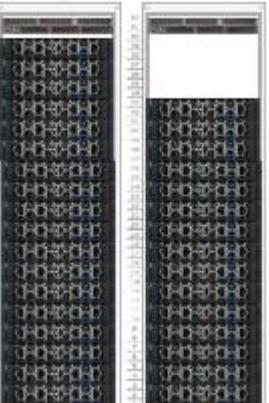
# Before & After Solution Visual

[Request a "Before & After" GetEfficient Visual Here](#)



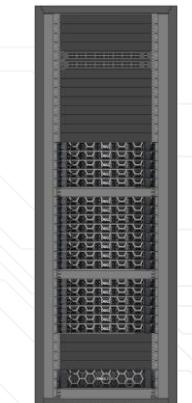
## Current State (VXRAIL)

Qty of Nodes	37
CPU	2x 6248R (24C, 3.0GHz)
Total Cores	1,776
Memory (Per Node)	768GB (12x64GB RDIMMs)
Total Memory	28,416GB
Networking	2xDual 10/25G NICs
Effective Storage	372.96TBu @ftt=1r5 + slack



## Proposed State (Dell Disaggregated Infrastructure)

Qty of Nodes	19
CPU	2x6548N (32C,2.8GHz)
Total Cores	1,216
Memory (Per Node)	1TB (16x64GB RDIMMs)
Total Memory	19,456GB
Networking	2xDual 10/25G NICs
Effective Storage	100 TB usable 400-500TB Based on DRR



# Total Cost of Ownership Comparison



## Comparing Current to Future State Cost Outlooks

Compare the annual cost outlook of the **current state** vs. the **proposed solution**

Turn Specs  
into Savings

vmware  
by Broadcom

31%

Reduction in VCF Cores  
to License

~2X

Compute Node  
Consolidation

~4X

5:1 DRR  
Less Storage  
required

Renewal Option	Option: 1 Renew Then Replace	Configuration Note	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	TOTAL COST
			259,000	259,000	REPLACE	518,000
Dell: VxRail Maintenance Renewal	37-node cluster x \$7K/node/year		259,000	259,000	REPLACE	518,000
Broadcom: VCF Licensing	\$600/core/3yr x 1,776 cores (Yr1&2), Drops to 1,216 cores (Yr3)		1,065,600			1,065,600
Dell: Eventual VxRail Replacement Solution	Replace w/ (19) PowerEdge & (1) PowerStore 3200T		-	-	920,392	920,392
Dell: Optional Future Dell Private Cloud License	\$7k Per Server = 3yr Total				133,000	133,000
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>1,324,600</b>	<b>259,000</b>	<b>1,053,392</b>	<b>2,636,992</b>

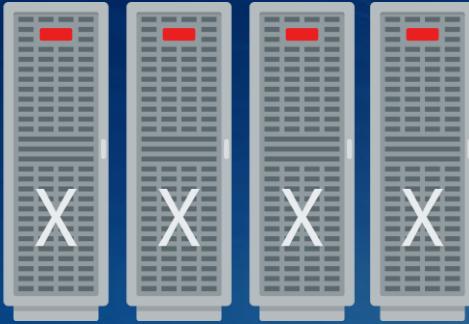
VxRail Option	Option: 2 New VxRail	Configuration Note	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	TOTAL COST
			1,536,133			1,536,133
Dell: VxRail Nodes Infrastructure	26-node cluster		1,536,133			1,536,133
Broadcom: VCF Licensing	\$600/core/3yr * 1,664 cores		998,400			998,400
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>2,534,533</b>			<b>2,534,533</b>

Ready Nodes Option	Option: 3 New vSan Ready Nodes	Configuration Note	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	TOTAL COST
			965,295	-	-	965,295
Dell: vSAN Ready Nodes Infrastructure	26-node cluster		965,295	-	-	965,295
Broadcom: VCF Licensing	\$600/core/3yr * 1,664 cores		998,400	-	-	998,400
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>1,963,695</b>			<b>1,963,695</b>

Dell Private Cloud Option	Option: 4 New Dell Disagg Infra + Optional DPC Licensing	Configuration Note	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	TOTAL COST
			920,392	-	-	920,392
Dell: PowerEdge & PowerStore Infrastructure	Replace w/ (19) PowerEdge & (1) PowerStore 3200T		920,392	-	-	920,392
(Optional) Dell: Private Cloud Licensing	\$7k Per Server = 3yr Total		133,000			133,000
Broadcom: VCF Licensing	\$600/core/3yr * 1,216 cores		729,600			729,600
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>1,782,992</b>			<b>1,782,992</b>

# The Infrastructure Problem Statement

Oracle Prod  
Databases



General Workloads & Databases  
Multi-vendor 3-tier / HCI



*"I need special performance"*

Management  
Complexity

Complex  
multi-vendor  
support

Modern Workload  
NoSQL, Analytics, Etc.



*"I need to scale-out the  
infrastructure with the workload"*

*"I need cost effective infrastructure that  
is easy to manage"*

High Cost

Lifecycle  
Management  
Challenges

Stranded  
Resources

Infrastructure  
Silos

# North America VxRail Transition Program

## Incentives

Earn more with Dell Rebates,  
**MyRewards<sup>1</sup>**

Provide customer value for existing VxRail  
while maintaining revenue & rebate  
neutrality

## Support & Services

Enhance customer success with new  
no-cost training and migration services  
credits

## Risk Mitigation & Insights

Support customers with risk-free  
trials, flexible payment options, and  
TCO insights to drive seamless  
transitions with Dell solutions

## Marketing Enablement

Fuel growth with Marketing Development  
Funds and refined narratives to inspire  
customer confidence and success

### Incentives: INCREASED

**10% incentive** for eligible Deals when  
transitioning VxRail to DPC,  
PowerStore or PowerFlex



### Migration Services: NEW

Empower customers leveraging no cost  
Dell migration services



### Try & Buy: EXISTING

Allow customers to experience Dell  
solutions risk-free.



### Messaging: EXISTING

Updated messaging is available to  
identify & drive refresh opportunities



### Trade in Program: NEW

Receive up to \$100/TB VxRail trade in  
incentive. Approved trade in value  
applied as revenue tier credit and  
eligible for Storage+ base rebates



### Education Training Credit: NEW

Provide customers with no-cost skills  
training on Dell Solutions. 1 individual per  
end-user



### Dell Financial Services: NEW

60-month FMV or  
48 or 60months w/ deferred  
payments up to 180 days



### Partner MDF: EXISTING

Drive demand and growth by  
activating Marketing Development  
Funds



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**TCO: NEW**  
6 Node VxRail / DPC Solution TCO



[VxRail Transition Program](#)

# Take Action & Get Rewarded!



**Explore new VxRail transition resources  
on the landing page**



**Book a follow-up call with your Dell IPAM  
to review VxRail Tech Refresh assets and  
receive exclusive swag.**

**Deadline:** Schedule your call by **Dec 31**



The background of the image is a photograph of a cable-stayed bridge at sunset. The sky is filled with warm, orange and pink clouds, and the water below reflects these colors. A network of white lines is overlaid on the image, forming a grid that follows the curve of the bridge and extends into the distance, symbolizing connectivity and technology.

DELL Technologies

# Back Up

# Interesting Analysis

VxRail, Ready Nodes, Dell Private Cloud



"The Proposal"

## Financial Outcomes

- Comparing All Cost Options
  - **Dell Infrastructure Savings (not including VCF & DPC Licensing)**
    - ~46% lower vs. Renew Now, Replace Later
    - ~40% lower vs. New VxRail
    - ~5% lower vs. vSAN Ready Nodes
  - **Broadcom Licensing Savings**
    - ~37% lower vs. Renew Now, Replace Later
    - ~27% lower vs. New VxRail
    - ~27% lower vs. vSAN Ready Nodes
  - **Combine TCO Savings (Broadcom + Infrastructure Savings)**
    - ~32% lower vs. Renew + Replace
    - ~30% lower vs. New VxRail
    - ~9% lower vs. vSAN Ready Nodes

## Tech Outcomes

- New HCI vs. Disaggregated
  - **NODES: 1.4x reduction**
    - (26 → 19) → smaller footprint, fewer servers to manage
  - **CORES: 1.46x reduction**
    - (1776 → 1,216) → direct Broadcom licensing savings
  - **MEMORY: 1.46x reduction**
    - (26.6TB → 19.5TB) due to vSAN-free architecture
  - **STORAGE: Higher storage density per node**
    - Despite ~75% fewer drives, same 450TB effective capacity achieved
    - Saves rack space, cooling, and power
  - **DRR: 2.5x improvement in storage efficiency**
    - (2:1 DRR on VxRail vs. 5:1 DRR on PowerStore backend)
  - **SCALE: Simplified future expansion**
    - With PowerStore backend and compute/storage decoupling
  - **FOOTPRINT: Operational simplicity with 1.4x fewer nodes**
    - Less risk, maintenance, and rack complexity