Technical Specifications

Dell EMC ECS EX-Series

Dell EMC ECS is a software-defined, cloud-scale, object storage platform.

With ECS, any organization can deliver scalable public cloud services with the reliability and control of a private-cloud infrastructure. ECS provides comprehensive protocol support for unstructured—object and file—workloads on a single modern storage platform. Using ECS, organizations can easily manage globally distributed storage infrastructure under a single global namespace with anywhere access to content. ECS features a flexible software-defined architecture that is layered to promote limitless scalability. Each layer is completely abstracted and independently scalable with high availability and no single points of failure. ECS also comes in a fully-integrated turnkey appliance that bundles software and Dell PowerEdge servers into an easily deployed object system.

ECS is currently in its third generation of hardware appliances, the EX-Series, building on the legacy of Dell EMC's Centera and Atmos object storage platforms which predated ECS. The ECS EX-Series is comprised of four unique hardware products: the EX300, EX500, EX3000 and the all-flash EXF900.

ECS EX300 ECS EX500 ECS EX3000 ECS EXF900



As a starter edition, the EX300 lowers object storage adoption entry barriers with 60TB starting cluster options.

With the capacity to grow to exabyte-scale, this is the ideal sandbox for in-house, cloudnative, mobile and web application storage. It's also the optimal system to modernize existing Centera or Atmos deployments.



The perfect blend of economy and density, the EX500 injects even greater flexibility into the ECS appliance portfolio.

With rack capacity ranging from 480TB to 6.1PB, the EX500 is a versatile option for midsized enterprises looking to support either modern application or deep archive use cases.



A high density, hot diskswappable, object storage system, the EX3000 packs up to 11.5PB per rack and can grow into exabyte-scale with ease.

It's an ideal platform for longterm retention, storage consolidation and multipurpose object storage requirements that span S3, HDFS and archive workloads.



Built with NVMe-based SSDs on Dell EMC PowerEdge servers, the EXF900 appliance delivers extreme performance at scale for modern workloads such as AI, machine learning, IoT and real-time analytics applications.

Capacity begins at 230TB and scales up to 1.47PB per rack.

ECS EX-Series appliance overview

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Features	EX300	EX500	EX3000S / EX3000D	EXF900
Node architecture	 Intel x86 servers Integrated storage 12 disk drives per node 	 Intel x86 servers Integrated storage 12 or 24 disk drives per node 	 Intel x86 servers Integrated storage EX3000S: Up to 90 disk drives per node EX3000D: Up to 45 disk drives per node 	 Intel x86 servers Integrated storage 12 or 24 disk drives per node
Network connectivity	10GbE FrontEnd10GbE BackEnd	25GbE FrontEnd25GbE BackEnd	25GbE FrontEnd25GbE BackEnd	25GbE FrontEnd25GbE BackEnd

40U rack configurations	 1, through 16 node configurations (5 node minimum initial rack) HA power 	 1, through 16 node configurations (5 node minimum initial rack) HA power 	 EX3000S: 1, though 8 node configurations (5 node minimum initial rack) EX3000D: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16 nodes (6 node minimum initial rack) configurations HA power 	 1, through 16 node configurations (5 node minimum initial rack) HA power
Multiple	 Unstructured	 Unstructured	 Unstructured	 Unstructured
storage	storage up to	storage up to	storage up to	storage up to
configurations	3072TB per rack	6144TB per rack	11,520TB per rack	1474TB per rack

ECS EX-Series appliance details				
Features	EX300	EX500	EX3000S / EX3000D	EXF900
Architecture	 Standard 40U cabinet 2U node containing server and disks Fully accessible – field serviceable Conventional front to back cooling HA power cabling and cooling 	 Standard 40U cabinet 2U node containing server and disks Fully accessible – field serviceable Conventional front to back cooling HA power cabling and cooling 	 40U extra deep cabinet EX3000S: 4U chassis containing one server and disks EX3000D: 4U chassis containing two servers and disks Fully accessible – field serviceable components Conventional front to back cooling HA power cabling and cooling 	 Standard 40U cabinet 2U node containing server and disks Fully accessible – field serviceable Conventional front to back cooling HA power cabling and cooling
Min / max cluster size	5 node minimumNo maximum	5 node minimumNo maximum	 Single: 5 node minimum No maximum Dual: 6 node minimum 	5 node minimumMaximum:112 nodes
			■ No maximum	
configuration Se di	server with included disks	 Min: 1 node = 1 server with included disks Max: 16 nodes = 16 servers with included disks 	cluded Min: 1 chassis = 1 server with server + disks server with disks s = 16 Max: 8 chassis = 8 servers + disks Max: 16 no servers with server	server with included disks
			Dual: Min: 1 chassis = 2 servers + disks Max: 8 chassis = 16 servers + disks	

Node:disk ratios	1 :12	1 :12, 1:24	EX3000S: 1:45, 1:60, 1:90	1 :12, 1:24
			EX3000D: 1:30, 1:45	
Disk type (7200rpm, SATA)	■ 1TB, 2TB, 4TB, 8TB, 16TB	■ 8TB, 12TB, 16TB	■ 12TB, 16TB	3.84TB (RI NVMe U.2 SSD)
Optional cache SSD	 Optional SSD (960GE performance 	3) drive for improved metadata	a read/write cache	■ N/a
Raw capacity (per node)	■ 12TB, 24TB, 48TB, 96TB, 192TB	96TB, 144TB, 192TB / 192TB, 288TB, 384TB	• 540TB, 720TB, 720TB, 960TB, 1080TB, 1440TB / 360TB, 480TB, 540TB, 720TB	■ 46TB / 92TB
Max raw capacity (per rack)	• 192TB, 384TB, 768TB, 1536TB, 3072TB	• 3072TB, 4608TB, 6144TB	■ 8640TB, 11,520TB	■ 1474TB
Node dimensions	2U x D (715.5 mm)Weight: 33KG (with 12 drives)	2U x D (810 mm)Weight: 43.2KG (with 24 drives)	 4U x D (1098.4 mm) Weight: 134 KG (with 90 drives) 	 2U x D (715.5 mm) Weight: 48lbs (with 12 drives) 52.5lbs (with 24 drives)
Rack dimensions	 H(75") x W(24") x D(47") + 4" for front door H(1905mm) x W(610mm) x D(1194mm) Weight: 887kg/1955lb with 4 switches, 16 2U nodes 	 H(75") x W(24") x D(47") + 4" for front door H(1905mm) x W(610mm) x D(1194mm) Weight: 887kg/1955lb with 4 switches, 16 2U nodes 	 H(75") x W(24") x D(53") + 4" for front door H(1903mm) x W(607mm) x D(1334mm) Weight: 1352kg/2980lb with 4 switches, 8 4U chassis 	 H(75") x W(24") x D(47") + 4" for front door H(1905mm) x W(610mm) x D(1194mm) Weight: 887kg/1955lb with 4 switches, 16 2U nodes
Max power	 0.29 kVA per 2U node 	 .72 kVA per 2U node 	 1.35 kVA per 4U chassis 	 1.086 kVA per 2U node
Max heatload	 800 Btu/Hr for every 2U node 	 2400 Btu/Hr for every 2U node 	 4500 Btu/Hr for every 4U chassis 	 3706 BTU/Hr for every 2U node
Power specifications (server)	 2X750W power supplies per node (HA) 	 2X1100W power supplies per node (HA) 	 2X1100W (EX3000S) power supplies per node (HA) 2x1600W (EX3000D) 	 2X1100W power supplies per node (HA)
Power specifications (rack)	 Connection: 4 single phase L6-30 (redundant power) 32A circuit breaker (A) max. per AC power source 2 three-phase WYE S52.30 (redundant power) 	 Connection: 4 single phase L6-30 (redundant power) 32A circuit breaker (A) max. per AC power source 2 three-phase WYE S52.30 (redundant power) 	 Connection: 6 single phase L6-30 (redundant power) 32A circuit breaker (A) max. per AC power source 2 three-phase WYE S52.30 (redundant power) 	 Connection: 8 single phase L6-30 (redundant power) 32A circuit breaker (A) max. per AC power source 2 three-phase WYE S52.30 (redundant power)
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Connectivity	 Uplink connectivity: up to 16x10 GbE, 16x25 GbE, 8x40GbE or 8x100GbE uplinks to customer network (800 Gb/s maximum bandwidth), including high availability configuration Network: dual 25 GbE front end switches and dual 25 GbE back end switches (internal traffic) per rack 		
Backend aggregation switches	■ N/a ■ Yes		
Environmental specifications	 Operating temperature (°F/°C): 41 - 90/ 5 - 32 Max. altitude: 7,500 ft/ 2,286 m @ 90°F/32°C Relative humidity: 20 - 80% non-condensing Raised floor: not required 		
Upgrade options	 Scale out by additional nodes only Scale out by additional nodes only Scale out by additional nodes additional nodes 12 drive capacity upgrade kit Scale out by additional nodes 15 drive capacity upgrade kit 12 drive capacity upgrade kit 		



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