Dell EMC PowerStore metro node

Active-active synchronous replication over metro distance



Metro Replication for Continuous Availability



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True Active-active



Multi-site constant dual access Immediate failback Witness for automatic site recovery

Greater Flexibility



Multi-platform support Workload granularity Replicate to any array

No hidden costs



Zero performance overhead No capacity on the array No additional host software

32Gb FC | 2U Cluster | Built in Management Server

Simplistic installation
DevOps Automation Enabled with Ansible



Active/Active v. Active/Passive

Not all Metro solutions are equal

Site A
Full Access

Active/Active

Site B

Metro Synchronous Replication

Full Access

Active/Passive

Site A Full Access

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Metro Synchronous Replication

Site B

Read Only

Active/Active setup

- Constant dual site access
- Both sites are available at the same time
- Delivers RTO and RPO of zero time

Active/Passive setup

- Only one site is accessible at any given time*
- RTO > zero time

* Unless hosts are cross-connected to arrays

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Metro node delivers continuous availability

Active/Active Technology

Constant Dual Site Access over Sync Distance with metro node

Site A

Virtual Volume

Metro Synchronous
Distance

Not more than a 10ms RTT

Site B





"We have our live data protected and being written and replicated between two arrays in two different sites. It's Realtime—sub five milliseconds across the two sites."

Steward Health

Metro node cluster witness

Provides a heartbeat between sites

Initiates an Intelligent Response to a Site Failure
Site A Site B







Witness is installed as a VM in a separate failure domain
If a cluster loses contact or if one fails rules determine
which cluster continues operations automatically

Determining tolerance for Business Continuity plans

Metro node delivers zero RTO and RPO and automated failover with witness



Recovery Time Objective (RTO)

How long you want it to take to recover from a failure?

Recovery Point Objective (RPO)

How far back in time will you tolerate after a failure?

Decision Time Objective (DTO)

How much time is needed to make the decision to failover?

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Replication methods

PowerStore provides metro synchronous replication with metro node

Asynchronous	Data sent periodically Recovery is point in time	RPO > 0 RTO > 0
Synchronous	Both systems fully mirrored Recovery not immediate	RPO = 0 RTO > 0
Metro Synchronous	Both systems are fully mirrored Data accessible on both sides	RPO = 0 RTO = 0

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