

# THE ROLE OF A DATA-DRIVEN SOLUTION PORTFOLIO IN DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION (DX)

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

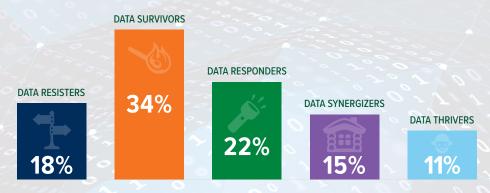
Successful DX relies on converting data into actionable insights, and using a closed-loop process to better use data in decision making. This reliance on data is contributing to a new digital era. 3rd platform (Cloud, Social, Mobile and Big Data) computing is the underpinning of DX worldwide. Artificial Intelligence is poised to transform next generation IT and business processes.

IDC recently completed a global research study with NetApp to understand organizations data related challenges, stage of DX maturity, and strategies and solutions they can employ to embrace and accelerate DX.

#### The key conclusions are as follows:

As per IDC study, nearly half of the businesses are at stage 1 and 2 of maturity on a 5 stage data-driven DX maturity model

#### **Organizations' Assessment of Data-Driven DX Maturity**



Source: Become a Data Thriver Study, sponsored by NetApp, November 2017

Data-driven digital transformation drives superior business outcomes. Compared to Data Survivors, over the past three years Data Thrivers have achieved:

- » **6X** improvement in operational efficiency
- **3X** increased profitability, new customer acquisition, and employee productivity
- **2X** top-line revenue growth, customer satisfaction improvement, and ability to drive incremental revenue from new product innovations/business transformation

Data Thrivers develop a data-driven DX roadmap of new roles, staffing models and investments to innovate and remain competitive in today's business climate.

#### **New Roles**

- Chief Data Officer
- Chief Transformation Officer
- Data Management Executive
- Data Scientists



### **New Staffing Models**

- DX cross-functional team including IT
- Dedicated IT DX team
- IT staff for LOB DX projects



#### **New Investments**

- » All-flash arrays with NVMe and SCM
- Data Services for Hybrid Cloud
- Whyperconverged and Container Optimized Storage
- Intelligent Infrastructure



Data-Driven Digital Transformation



# 60% of Data Thrivers are Modernizing their Infrastructure

# ACCELERATE AND OPTIMIZE ANALYTICS/AI WORKLOADS

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Flexibility and simplicity in dealing with different types of data sources and formats.

Cost-effective scale for massive datasets.

Superior performance for Real-time analytics and AI deep learning training cluster.

Speed, security and cost-efficiency.

Simplified and integrated data management; single solution for deep learning pipeline from edge to cloud.

One copy of a filesystem to serve both big data analytics (Hadoop, Spark) and AI/ML/DL workloads.

## **NetApp Offering Functionality**

#### **ONTAP**

Unified access to data (block/file; structured and unstructured)

#### AFF/FAS/ONTAP FlexGroup

All-flash guarantee; Dedupe and compression; scale to 20PB and beyond in single volume; linear performance scaling.

#### AFF/ONTAP FlexGroup

Low latency and high throughput with performance scaling for random read, heavy metadata profiles and streaming IO; NVMe and SCM support.

ONTAP SnapMirror, NetApp Volume Encryption (NVE), and ONTAP **FabricPool** 

Highly efficient smart data mover technology

ONTAP Select (edge), ONTAP 9 (core), ONTAP Cloud (cloud)

Data Fabric integration from edge to core to cloud.

NetApp In-place Analytics Module

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**NetApp Flash Storage Transforms Infrastructure** 



# INTEGRATE AND OPTIMIZE CLOUD

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33%

# of Data Thrivers are Adopting Data Services for Hybrid Cloud

(Location- and Infrastructure-independent software)







#### **Customer Value**

Good RTO (in minutes), longer retention and granular restores for SaaS applications.

Eliminate high cost of storing inactive data and backups. Eliminate the need for tapes in datacenters.

Enterprise grade subscription based offering — pay-as-you-go model. Ability to maintain data control, data sovereignty and consistent performance on AWS and Azure. Advantages of cloud with performance of flash for the most demanding applications.

Ability to use cloud analytics services e.g. EMR, Redshift and RDS.

Better availability, performance and cost for applications built natively on AWS. Ability to exploit Lambda function on AWS for StorageGrid WebScale.

Better monitoring and resource optimization of hybrid cloud environments.

Optimize unstructured data.

### **NetApp Offering Functionality**

#### **Cloud Control**

Backup and restore SaaS applications e.g. Office 365 to AWS.

#### **AltaVault**

Compress, dedupe, encrypt, transform and store cold data in the public cloud.

Works with any primary storage and all backup applications.

#### NetApp Cloud Volumes with SnapMirror

NFS and iSCSI as a service, Private or multi-tenant

#### Cloud Sync

Automated file data migration and transform between on-premise and AWS

#### StorageGrid Webscale

Auto-tiering to public cloud; metadata management.

#### OCI

Performance, capacity and cost monitoring across on-premise and cloud.

#### ONTAP OS FabricPool

Auto tiering to S3 clouds; metadata management.

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**NetApp Hybrid Cloud Data Services** 



# SIMPLIFY AND AUTOMATE APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT

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# 43%

of Data Thrivers are Implementing Next Generation Infrastructure





**Hyperconverged Infrastructure** 

#### **Customer Value**

Accelerate application development and time to production; Reduction in CAPEX and OPEX; Improved developer productivity.

Ability to clone and distribute large data sets for developer workspace; Ease of management and native integrations with preferred tools.

Improved developer experience for large datasets.

Access to enterprise grade persistent storage for containerized applications.

Improved portability and performance for containerized applications.

Improved IT productivity, reduced CAPEX, and preventive maintenance.

Level 1 and Level 2 support automation, improved Level 3 support.

Performance and capacity optimization.

### **NetApp Offering Functionality**

#### NetApp HCI & SolidFire

Agile, scalable and reliable infrastructure backed by full-featured APIs, SDKs, and numerous integrations.

Hyper converged offering to consolidate and isolate workloads.

#### ONTAP, ONTAP Select, ONTAP Cloud

Robust data management capabilities. Snapshot and Clone large datasets quickly and easily. SnapMirror between on-premises and cloud.

Integrations with many common tools in toolchain including Jenkins, Ansible, and Apprenda.

NetApp HCI, SolidFire, SANTricity (E-Series) or ONTAP with Trident-Kubernetes Plugin

Automated dynamic provisioning of persistent storage for container on/off premises as well as ONTAP Cloud.

Native utilization of snapshot and cloning.

#### **ActiveIQ**

Capacity usage monitoring and prediction; Automated upgrade alerts; Automated case creation and parts replacement; Best practices and configuration recommendations; Watson Al enabled issue resolution.

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**NetApp Next Generation Infrastructure** 



# CONCLUSION

Digital disruption is real. Average company lifespan on S&P 500 index (in years) in the 3rd platform era is 18 years vs. 25 years during the 2nd platform era. To survive, companies need to embrace and accelerate Digital Transformation (DX). No industry is exempt from the impact of digital transformation. Organizations that embrace data-driven DX are attracting new customers and developing new revenue streams faster than their competitors.

- This IDC study is based on a global survey of 800 LOB executives, IT leaders, and technology-savvy workers conducted in September 2017. Respondents were from 7 countries: the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Japan, and China with data weighted according to regional GDP. The sample consisted of large- and medium-sized companies (those with 1000+ employees in the United States and 500+ employees in other countries). Respondents were decision makers with budget control or ability to influence budget spend for DX projects, were involved in DX projects for their company and were responsible for evaluating or architecting at least two data services for hybrid cloud. Job titles included chief data officers, analytics professionals, and DevOps/cloud architects.
- » This IDC study also draws upon two focus groups run in the United States across industries and three sets of job titles (LOB, IT, and DevOps) and in-depth interviews conducted with dozens of U.S. customers using data services for hybrid cloud and leveraging big data and analytics technology to deliver better business outcomes.

Learn how data thrivers beat the competition and drive better business outcomes in this global study of 800 companies

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