TFinity® ExaScale Library

The World’s Largest Storage System

TFinity ExaScale is not only Spectra Logic’s largest tape library, but it is the industry’s largest library. It is also the most feature rich by including: Media Lifecycle Management (MLM), Drive and Library Lifecycle Management (DLM, LLM), Data Integrity Verification (DIV), Integrated Encryption, Global Spare, Power Monitoring, Read/Write monitoring, ASM, and other features as inclusions or economically priced optional items – none of which require additional servers or support contracts to operate or manage.

Although it is the industry’s largest, and most richly featured library, the TFinity ExaScale continues to push the edges of tape storage. With the introduction of RationalRobotics, a combination of hardware and software features, Spectra® has created a tape library that delivers superior performance, reliability and functionally. Doing so allows Spectra to extend its advantage relative to the competition while meeting any organization’s demands for a high performance, low cost, reliable and scalable storage solution. Spectra Logic delivers the fastest library in existence with its TFinity ExaScale.

RATIONAL ROBOTICS

For over 40 years Spectra® has focused on innovation in data storage and data management solutions. The leaders in data-intensive industries, government entities, and researchers rely on Spectra solutions that are optimized to support their specific workflows. In addition to our traditional disk and tape storage solutions, Spectra also offers a single converged object storage system – Spectra BlackPearl® – to bring all of these options together including public and private cloud, enabling customers to get the most out of every storage medium available today through a single interface.

SPECTRA’S DATA STORAGE STORY

Rethinking Storage

The consistent and fluid working of any data storage system is dependent on the software, firmware and hardware all working harmoniously and in sync. The set of features contained in a TFinity ExaScale make it the industry leader in archive storage.

SUPPORT

Spectra Logic delivers award-winning SpectraGuard Support for every TFinity ExaScale library. Spectra provides a superior level of service to help organizations achieve the least amount of downtime and avoid costly disruptions.

PERFORMANCE

TFinity ExaScale is built with the highest performance we could achieve in automated tape technology. From robotics, to drives, to software, to media, Spectra has included every one of our performance innovations in these libraries.

CAPACITY

TFinity ExaScale was created to be the highest capacity storage system in the world, and actually achieved that goal in 2014. The TFinity ExaScale has been engineered to offer more than two exabytes of compressed data storage in a single library.

FLEXIBILITY

Our TFinity ExaScale has the unheard-of ability to support three kinds of tape technology in the same library. Paired with our extensive software & hardware partners, organizations can develop customized workflows for every situation.

FEATINGES

The TFinity ExaScale includes a redundant, dual-robotic infrastructure that not only provides for a failover solution, but also twice the working ability. All of the parts and pieces have been carefully crafted and integrated for maximum reliability.

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**Industry Leading Density**

The highly compact library design is also built to fit into a standard rack-row layout, fitting co-located and standardized data center designs that don’t easily accommodate non-standard equipment footprints. These significant space-saving benefits allow you to re-task floor space for operations other than storage.

**Shrink Your Data Center Footprint**

The floorspace comparison diagrams shown at left are based on a tape slot count of 10,000 cartridges and 12 drives.

Space-saving design, high-density architecture and seamless scalability combine to help the TFinity ExaScale to achieve the status of the highest capacity data storage system in the world.

**Capacity with all three major media types**

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1. Compressed capacities at 2.5:1 compression  
2. Maximum Throughput Compression  

- Tri-Media = evenly distributed frames of LTO-9, IBM® TS1160, and Oracle® T10000D technologies

**Enterprise Library Footprint Comparison**

The World’s Largest Capacity Data Storage Library

When Spectra Logic created the TeraPack® in 1999, it revolutionized how tape media could be handled and stored within its libraries. Our competitors continue to use the vertical tape stacking method which by its nature makes for a more limited amount of tapes within a library’s walls. TeraPacks were designed to be placed into chambers and since each TeraPack can hold ten LTO tapes per chamber, the immediate result is a tripling of the quantity of tapes stored per square foot compared to other tape libraries.

This totally unique invention of the TeraPack also means that each individual TeraPack tray can be easily moved out of the library and conveyed to a geographically distant location for the ultimate in disaster recovery protection.

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The World’s Fastest Library
TFinity ExaScale High-Performance Transporter

Spectra’s patented TeraPorter also underwent a spectacular make-over.

The TeraPorter is the tall, vertical arm inside of Spectra Logic’s TFinity ExaScale library. It is used to position the HPT (robotic picker) at the chamber or the drive so that the transporter can handle each Terapack®.

One primary goal of the new TeraPorter is to increase the speed of the horizontal move performance of the arm. As a TFinity ExaScale grows longer and longer the horizontal performance can impact the overall response time of mount commands. The new TeraPorter will provide a top-end speed of (160 ips) or double that of the current model. The acceleration rate will not change (50”/sec²) in which case it will reach maximum speed in five to six frames.

Brushless motors and copper rails

Brushless DC motors deliver maximum torque when stationary, better performance when operating, superior reliability, and less downtime over traditional brushed motors. Copper rails and carbon brushes provide higher reliability in power and signal delivery, while doing an excellent job of keeping debris out of the system.

Spectra engineers generated a three-fold boost in performance

The High-Performance Transporter (HPT) is a “from the ground up” redesign of the robotic hand used to manipulate media. The transporter has been designed with four primary goals: better performance, better reliability, mixed media, and better sensing. The new HPT from Spectra accomplishes this and more by reduced cycle time or tape mount time (better performance) and increased mean time between failures (better reliability). Spectra’s HPT is the central improvement that provides organizations with the industry’s fastest library on the market today. New sensors and features, including temperature and humidity readings, ensure increased reliability of Spectra’s HPT. Coupled with the ability to support any current type of tape media, organizations free themselves from vendor lock-in, and provide superior flexibility. Spectra’s HPT delivers superior reliability, performance, and flexibility to an already amazing library.

Operational Moving Efficiency
Enhanced management controls for greater productivity

MEDIA IQ™
The Spectra Logic move queuing feature accepts Fibre Channel host “move” commands, then sorts and assigns them to movers based on their proximity between media and drives. This allows the library to assign the robot best positioned to efficiently service each particular request.

SLOT IQ™
A software “move” algorithm will virtualize the slot location inside the library and take advantage of the Terapack’s unique design. In doing so, it allows the robots to physically move less often or shorter distances as they take advantage of the available storage “holes” within a Terapack as well as those closest to the drive bay, thereby improving cycle performance. This is a Spectra exclusive time-saving and production streamlining feature. The system also allows a partition to have “Moving Holes” turned ON or OFF.

Bulk Loading: Less Media Handling

All TFinity ExaScale libraries support BulkTAP end units as an optional hardware feature. Each BulkTAP allows 14 Terapacks to be imported or exported in a single user operation.

TFinity ExaScale will additionally support the use of up to two BulkTAPs simultaneously for decreased loading-to-working time for organizations who eject/load large amounts of media from their library. While one set of robotics is working read/write operations, the other set of robotics can take in and distribute from one of the BulkTAPs. Then the robotics can switch jobs so the other BulkTAP media load can be taken in and distributed.

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Best-In-Class Tape Technology

IBM® TS1160 Technology Drives and Media with TFinity ExaScale

IBM® TS1160 Technology offers the most reliable tape technology ever developed. Designed to provide Enterprise-Class reliability with 24 x 7 usage, the IBM® TS1160 tape drive provides 10 times more data integrity than an LTO tape drive.

In addition to robust reliability and data integrity, the IBM® TS1160 offers the largest capacity per tape and the fastest data transfer rate of any tape technology available. This translates into fewer tapes needed to store the same amount of data, less labor and time to manage the tape inventory, as well as reduced library, application and offsite slot costs. Superior performance provides customers with the ability to get the same amount of work done with fewer drives and reduced support costs.

High Capacity: 20TB native (50TB compressed at 2.5:1)

Fast Performance: Experience shorter backup windows and improved data access with the fastest tape drive on the market, delivering native data transfer rates of 400 MB/s and compressed data transfer rates of 900 MB/s.

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Designed for Constant Use: 250,000 hour MTBF to meet demanding uptime requirements and ensure data is available when it’s needed.

Superior Data Integrity: Spectra SKLM with AES-256 bit encryption and key management.

TFinity ExaScale Maximizes the Industry Standard: LTO Tape Technology

LTO (Linear Tape Open) is the only open format tape technology available, resulting from a cooperative development effort in the industry. LTO media is the low-cost, yet high performance storage standard. LTO-9 is the current generation and the LTO roadmap is planned to go out to generation 12 and beyond.

LTO-9 Capacity: Up to 45TB compressed 2.5:1 (18TB native)
Data transfer rate: Full-Height Drive – Up to 900 MB/s compressed (400 MB/s native)
Speed matching: Capable
Data cartridges: LTO-9 (rewritable) LTO-9 (WORM)
Cleaning cartridge: LTO Universal Cleaning Cartridge (UCC)

LTO ExaScale TeraPack Zoning*

TeraPack placement increases performance

TeraPack zoning is the ability to dictate which tapes go together in which TeraPack and then give that TeraPack a “heat” rating. More active tapes will be grouped together into a “hot” rating, and less active data will be stored together and given a “cold” rating, with different levels in between.

The TFinity will then use figurative “heat mapping” around the drives to strategically place the hot TeraPacks closest to the drives, or as far away from the drives as possible if it is rated very cold. This way cold (infrequently used tapes) get stored far from drives and hot (frequently used tapes) get stored close to drives to optimize the move time to mount the hot tapes. The heat of a TeraPack can be changed over the REST interface to the TFinity.

With TeraPack zoning enabled, TFinity libraries can perform at more than 3 times the rate of tape moves than before. Coupled with other software features, the TFinity is the fastest automated tape library on the planet today.

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TFinity ExaScale Group IQ*

Operational enhancements through software advancements

Jobs Queue

In the "background" when robots are not really busy... A jobs queue is treated by "scheduling" into the future. The actual movement of work is to happen an ordered sequence is created for TeraPack movement.

Example: Ten tapes are identified as being able to move in a future ordered sequence of read/write moves one after the other.

Job Queue: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10.

Inside of Spectra library

In the TeraPack: A tape slot is occupied by a tape.

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TeraPack Zoning

TeraPacks stored in proximity to drives. (From most-needed to least-needed)

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LTO Roadmap

LTO-4 LTO-5 LTO-6 LTO-7 LTO-8 LTO-9 LTO-10 LTO-11 LTO-12

LTO-8 Capacity: Up to 20TB compressed 2.5:1 (5TB native)
Data transfer rate: Full-Height Drive – Up to 900 MB/s compressed (400 MB/s native)
Speed matching: Capable
Data cartridges: LTO (rewritable) LTO (WORM)
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LTO-9 Capacity: Up to 30TB compressed 2.5:1 (12TB native)
Data transfer rate: Full-Height Drive – Up to 900 MB/s compressed (400 MB/s native)
Speed matching: Capable
Data cartridges: LTO (rewritable) LTO (WORM)
Cleaning cartridge: LTO Universal Cleaning Cartridge (UCC)

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It's a RoCE World Out There

Spectra has you covered with a modern approach to tape

A large percentage of storage devices in a modern data center are attached via Ethernet for a number of different reasons, and one major reason is the cost savings using Ethernet over an older technology such as Fibre. Often the tape system is the last piece of equipment in a data center that is still using Fibre Channel, but new protocols like RoCE make it possible to utilize the full bandwidth of the latest generation of tape drives without the overhead of historical interfaces like iSCSI. Enter RDMA over Converged Ethernet a network protocol that allows remote direct memory access (RDMA) over an Ethernet network. This provides lower latency with higher bandwidth performance making your hardware work faster.

The cost per port for Ethernet are substantially lower than Fibre Channel, especially when it comes to comparing 50GbE or 100GbE to 32G or 64G Fibre Channel switches and HBAs. Paired with the reduced hardware cost of Ethernet, network engineers now have an easier job managing the system with the removal of Fibre Channel.

Overall, data centers are progressing, and Spectra’s tape libraries are no different. Leveraging modern networking, Spectra libraries are positioned for the RoCE world ahead.

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Spectra Swarm

Spectra Swarm is a 1U appliance that allows tape users with SAS tape drives to move away from either FC or direct-attach SAS tape drive architecture. An Ethernet to SAS bridge is at the core of the Swarm solution. Swarm provides two 40GbE inbound connections driving up to 16 channels of 12G SAS. SAS tape drives then provide the SAS connectivity on the tape library side. The bridge allows for connections using iSCSI or iSER via RoCE V2 (iSCSI Extensions for RDMA). After initial configuration and driver setup, the bridge is transparent to the host (regardless of iSCSI or iSER), and the host can read or write to the drives as if they were connected directly to the host system.

The Spectra Swarm Storage Controllers are optimized for high performance with multiple hardware acceleration engines which provide industry-leading performance to keep multiple tape drives streaming at maximum throughput. Spectra Swarm enables a common set of services and features and is engineered with an open design that does not alter the data path

Tri-Media Revolution

Three Different Tape Technologies in the Same Library

Spectra pioneered the dual-tape technology of combining LTO with IBM® TS tape technology in the same library. Now we include Oracle® T10000 technology. Spectra’s TFinity ExaScale Tri-Media feature allows you to preserve your investment by migrating or integrating your existing Oracle media and drives – another Spectra exclusive.

Configuration Options for Flexibility

Interchangeable parts allow for the fit that’s right for you

- **Full-Isolation Service Bays** – Allow a robot to automatically park itself where the repair can easily be done, while still allowing access to all of the TeraPacks within the library. The second robot in a TFinity is always active during these maintenance periods. This delivers a true, high-availability enterprise solution that is unmatched on the market today.

- **Non-Isolation Service Bays** – The Spectra TFinity libraries have the option of being equipped with Non-Isolation service bays. In this configuration, when a robot has a failure it moves to the far right or left of the library. The other robot will take over any move operations requested by the host application. When it comes time to service the tape library, the power to the TFinity robots must be removed halting library robotic operations, but this can happen when it is convenient for the organization. This configuration is a lower-cost option for starting out in a TFinity which can be upgraded in the field to full-isolation service bays if needed.

- **Elastic Storage Slots / Frames** – Another optional configuration is the ability to have elastic storage slots enabled. This is a configuration where service bays are not used. If a robot fails, the robot can be pushed to the end of the library, but it will block elastic storage slots. Once the robot is repaired, full operation and access to all slots is available.

- **Single Robot TFinity** – The TFinity has the ability to be configured with a single robot for a lower cost configuration. The single-robot model can be upgraded into a standard TFinity with a simple, easy addition of another robot. Start small and build as your demands increase.
Introducing the Industry-Changing Breakthrough in Massive Data Storage

Spectra has created an S3 gateway to Object Storage: The most efficient, intelligent path to limitless storage in any TFinity ExaScale library.

Flexibility Makes It All Possible
Flexible storage is an underlying principle of BlackPearl and its advanced bucket management. Spectra’s policy-based data management software enables multiple copies. It is a storage networking method where data is stored on various types of media based on performance, availability, and recovery requirements.

Additional integration methods are available through SDK clients including RioBroker, a rapid integration method to build your own storage integration.

Moving Objects to Deep Storage

Industry-Leading Energy Savings

Highly Power-Efficient
TFinity ExaScale’s built-in, not bolted-on architecture provides the features you need and eliminates the requirement for multiple external servers to be purchased, powered, cooled and serviced for the purpose of library management. In comprehensive testing and comparison, TFinity’s power consumption is shown to be less than competing systems (in some cases, by a factor of 4x to 6x). Additionally, power consumption monitoring is an integral part of BlueScale’s feature set to help users keep track of their substantial energy cost savings.

Cost Savings are Built into the TFinity ExaScale
Tape is the most cost-effective storage media available. The TFinity ExaScale leverages its lowest power consumption of any library per GB to deliver the world’s fastest and at the same time highest capacity single library. Able to expand from 3 frames to 45 frames and hold over two exabytes of compressed data, the flexibility of TFinity will always allow organizations to have a single tape library that meets all their needs.

The price of storage per terabyte on tape versus disk is so comparatively low, that every business enterprise should consider tape as a major part of their long-term storage and archive planning. David Reine of Clipper Group found that LTO tape costs upwards to 15x less than SATA disk for long-term archiving of large quantities of data.

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Spectra tape libraries support nearly every software package written for open systems tape, in parallel with Spectra’s Shared Library Services (SLS), to deliver an application integration that maximizes the benefits of your storage, optimize business processes, minimize time-to-value. Combining Spectra storage systems and solutions with leading third party applications, can reduce risk, improve efficiency and address data protection concerns – while increasing flexibility through a more robust information infrastructure.

**TFinity ExaScale: Maximum Compatibility**

Designed to work with the industry’s cutting edge software

- **Dual AC Power design: No phasing required**
  - The TFinity ExaScale has made improvements to its power subsystem over the TFinity library. In the previous TFinity, users were required to power each library mainframe, drive frame, and service bays with a separate power drop for each frame. With the implementation of Spectra’s new power distribution unit, and dual AC power transfer switch, organizations can now utilize a single power input and run an entire library. If redundant power is needed, there are no longer any phasing requirements, enabling easy installation and configuration. Existing T950 and TFinity customers have the option to upgrade their existing library.

- **Snapshot of TFinity ExaScale Features**

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**High Performance Computing**

- Organizations in many industries utilize video surveillance to improve safety and security, protect intellectual assets, meet legal requirements, and much more. To meet these demands, organizations are installing additional high definition cameras and retaining video for longer periods.

- High Performance Computing environments require storage of massive amounts of data forever, with the ability to provide parallel access to this data with a storage system to multiple users in any location, concurrently.

- With a focus on instant access of digital assets and monetization of content, one of the most critical needs in Media and Entertainment industry is to have access to your content when you need it.

- Organizations must constantly reevaluate their unique mix of on-premise, private cloud and public cloud environment to meet their evolving needs. Leveraging Spectra’s hybrid storage eco-system, users can create a virtually diverse storage structure.

**In an increasingly digital age, storage and sharing is more important than ever. Today’s data backup, archives, and HSM storage solutions have evolved into much more than just simple services that let you share and access your data; easy anywhere - while still remaining affordable.**
The range of possibilities for customizing your TFinity ExaScale are almost boundless. Whether customizing a new Tfinity or enhancing your existing library, you can graphically customize panels nearly any way you would like.

Current disk drives have reached maximum capacity providing 99 square inches of recordable space per drive. To achieve greater storage capacity, disk manufacturers are forced to create new methods of recording (shingled, heat, helium filled) to gain additional capacity, but limitations are still a major hurdle. An LTO-8 tape cartridge has 18,898 square inches of recordable space with the ability to add additional tape for future technology. As each future generation of tape technology is released, expect continual storage capacity increases due to tape’s ability to easily increase capacity.

- **Durability** – Tape-based storage offers superior durability over traditional disk-based storage
- **Longevity** – Modern tape media can last up to 30 years when stored properly
- **Portability** – Tape cartridges can be ejected and transported to any location in the world for safe keeping or disaster recovery
- **Linear Tape File System** – LTFS stored on tape can be accessed in the same way as data on disk and removable flash drives
- **Bit Error Rate vs Disk** – To put into perspective how reliable tape is, it has a detected error rate of $1 \times 10^{19}$ and an even more impressive undetected error rate of a single bit for every $1.6 \times 10^{33}$ bits read. Compared to disk that has a detected error rate of $1 \times 10^8$, it becomes clear that tape provides the most reliable storage medium available.

To ensure the viability of your data, Media Lifecycle Management (MLM) tracks and reports on health and security related statistics for Spectra Certified Media. Detailed reporting allows you to move your data onto new tapes before degraded media affects your data.

Drive Lifecycle Management (DLM) extends the same proactive approach to drives by integrating tape drive analysis and reporting within the library. Using easy-to-manage, color-coded icons, you can quickly identify the health status of a drive.

Managing the health of your library’s critical components is made easy with Library Lifecycle Management (LLM) – by delivering utilization metrics relative to the expected useful life of library robotics, filters and other critical components.

Spectra offers a sophisticated suite of standard features that allow you to actively check data already written to tape.

- **PreScan** checks each imported tape and verifies that the tape can be safely written to.
- **QuickScan** scans a tape uni-directionally to provide a rapid indicator of integrity of data written.
- **FullScan** confirms that there are no media errors on the tape by reading the entire length of the tape.

“...to make it easy to use GUI the way to the distinctive custom external panels”
What some of our customers say about Spectra...

“Tape libraries are highly expandable and easy to upgrade with denser media. This flexibility matches our current and future data storage needs exactly and makes the TFinity tape libraries an excellent solution for us.”
Paul Newman, HSM Storage Specialist

“Spectra’s physically denser storage solution is much better for Livermore computing. The Spectra libraries take up significantly less floor space than our previous libraries, which allows us to be more efficient and agile as the big computers come and go.”
Todd Heen, Deputy Program Lead, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

“We were happy to have a more professional experience using Spectra’s technical services and support for our many years to come.”
Professor Bryan-Lawrence, JASMIN Principal Investigator

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