

Autonomous Transportation – Phase 2

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Data Management for AV Projects is a challenge

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- \circ Europe
- o USA
- \circ China
- o Japan
- o Asia
- \circ Africa





R&D Labs: tagging





R&D Labs: developing & testing & (re-)simulation & AI training > 5PB / car model (project)





Major IT Challenges for ADAS

1. How to implement & operate an efficient storage, workflow and management system?

- **2**. How to distribute data globally within an enterprise and partners?
- **3**. How to preserve digital data for decades with optimized costs?
- **4**. How to analyze sensor and video data with fast analytics and modern BigData tools?
- **5**. How to run Machine Learning (ML) and AI training with Nvidia GPU technology at scale?
- 6. How to do efficient IT workload and resource scheduling?
- 7. How to embed analytics/data management into R&D Environment?
- **8**. How to run massive workloads on large topology Clusters with data centric workloads?











Workload and data flow for AI flow is complex

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Machine Learning - Workload flow and data flow



Data requirements vary significantly

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Data architecture for AI workloads

Capacity Tier

Scale-out To scale capacity and performance linearly

Flexible deployment To deploy as an appliance, as software only on commodity hardware or as cloud services

Efficient

To store data across various media including Flash, Disk and Tape; to apply data reduction when possible; to store efficiently using Erasure Coding

Secure:

To protect data in-flight and data at risk

Multi-protocol To house various data types, structured, unstructured, semi-structured

Geo-dispersed To facilitate collaboration across long distances

Data Preparation

High throughput

To curate massive amount of data including read and write operations

To feed multiple GPU's

example, each GPU could require 1-2 GB/sec; assuming 4 GPU's per server, each server could require 4-8 GB/ sec

Performance Tier

Low Latency for Inference

To quickly read random and sometimes small data

Distributed accelerated cache for Training

To read the same data over and over again 'reference data'

Governance:

Managing and curating data through different stages of processing

Resilient: To ensure data's availability against failures



The Storage Hierarchy

Scale out File on Flash (HOT)

- File based storage with Object & HDFS support
- High End I/O performance
- Information Lifecycle Management (ILM)
- Sub Micro-seconds access time

Cloud Object Storage (S3) (WARM)

- Site Fault Tolerant
- Geo Dispersed and WW scale
- Easy to Deploy
- Milli-seconds access time

Archive & Tape (COLD)

- Lowest TCO
- Tape ILM target especially frozen archive
- · Long term retention and Minutes access time
- Access as files via LTFS
- Reduced floor space requirements and energy consumption
- Up to 260PB native capacity in a single Tape Library



- Tiering from flash, to disk, to tape, to cloud.
- Cloud appears as external storage pool.
- Auto Tiering & migration.
- High performance Read/Write operations.
- Public cloud-ready.
- Support of multi cloud environments.

