

How E3.S is Replacing the 2.5" Form Factor

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A Brief History of Form Factors

5.25",





- Only in the last 2 decades have SSD-optimized form factors been introduced
- EDSFF is optimized for the needs of enterprise storage and SSD technology







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Why E3.S Matters





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Market Share View of E3.S Form Factor SSDs





PCIe[®] SSD Units by Form Factor

- 2.5"¹ is and will remain a ubiquitous (value) form factor, but E3 is expected to replace it for SSD-optimized applications.
 - PCIe 5.0 is 1st inflection point, PCIe 6.0 will accelerate transition
- E1 form factor SSDs are replacing M.2 for dense storage applications, but M.2 remains de-facto form factor for consumer sockets

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E3 is projected to replace almost 50% of 2.5" SSD slots by 2028²



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Typical 2.5" Slots: 12	16 E3.S Slots (+33%)	18 E3.S slots (+50%)	20 E3.S slots (+67%)
2U Servers	Supermicro [®] ASG-2115S-NE332R	Dell [®] PowerEdge™ R7625	HPE [®] ProLiant [™] DL385 Gen11
Typical 2.5" Slots: 24	32 E3.S Slots (+33%)	36 E3.S slots (+50%)	36 E3.S slots (+50%)

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1U Servers

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- PCle[®] 5.0 x4 saturation
- Excellent performance¹
- Dual-port capable
- SR-IOV, CMB, FIPS capable
- Multiple sector sizes



E3.S Data Center NVMe SSDs

- Blend of cost-optimization and performance
- PCle 5.0 support
- High random performance
- Single-port only
- 512/4K sector size

Focus Applications: High Performance Computing (HPC) Artificial Intelligence (AI) Machine Learning (ML) Enterprise Storage

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Private/Public Cloud Content Delivery Networks (CDN) General Purpose Data Center Compute and Storage

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 8 3D Flash Memory
- Automotive Solutions



