

#### Introducing Reliance Nitro, Version 3.2

High-performance fault-tolerant data storage management



### Top 5 Reasons to Choose Reliance Nitro for Linux

#### #1: Fault-tolerance without compromising performance

 Outperforms basic file system by upwards of 50%

• Reliance Nitro preserves user data and file system integrity in the event of system failure by never overwriting live data





#### #2: Fast, consistent mount; Fast file access

- Maintains "known good state" for super fast file system mount. Variance of 0.1% in mount time regardless of workload or shutdown state
- Tree-based structure allows fast file access regardless of number of files or directories

#### #3: Flash-friendly operation

- Reliance Nitro uses a copy-on-write operation, which fits aligns better the nature of flash memory.
- #4: Multi-Threaded, Simultaneous Reads While Writing
- No need to interrupt read operations to execute writes, reducing system latency

#5: Run-time Configuration of Data-at-Risk Controls

Greater flexibility to optimize for unique use cases



# Where Does Reliance Nitro Fit?



- Pre-ported to Linux/Android
- ANSI-C source code, kernel loadable module
- GPL-compliant
- Use standard block device drivers or pair with FlashFX Tera for raw flash or FlashFXe for managed flash



# **Configuration We Measured**

- Pandaboard rev B
   OMAP 4460
- Linux Kernel 3.5 and 3.9
- Android 4.1.1 (Ice Cream Sandwich)
- eMMC Media in SD slot
   Micron 2KA28 JW705



#### Improves Sequential Writes at Every Write Size



Results shown above are from IOZone, which tests three different file sizes written using a range of individual write sizes to determine optimal write size for a given system. Test was run three times and results for each data point averaged. Caching enabled.



### What is Writeback Cache?



### Performance to the Media



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# **Enabling Fast Boot Times**

Remount times consistent & fast





## Linux & Android Versions

- Reliance Nitro supports Linux kernels from 2.6.31 through 3.9
- Tested with Android versions
   2.3 (Gingerbread) to 4.3 (Jelly Bean)
  - Android environments work on a variety of Linux kernels – limited by Google distribution and hardware support packages

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#### New in Reliance Nitro 3.2

| Features                         | Benefits  |  |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| Reduced Size of Kernel Modules   | ARM compiled modules are less than half the size of the 3.0 release |  |
| Faster CRC-32 Computation        | CRC-32 used for all file system metadata – across the board speed   |  |
| Disk Geometry Improvements       | Large Sector counts supported;<br>No open file limit                |  |
| Updated operating system support | Android 4.3 (Jelly Bean), Linux kernel 3.10                         |  |
|                                  |   |  |



### Top 5 Reasons to Choose FlashFXe for Linux / Android

## #1: Closes eMMC performance gap

- Improves Random Write Performance up to 7x
- Streamlines writes to maximize throughput
- Architected to allow expansion to new controllers and flash parts with minimal changes

#2: Improves flash endurance by nearly 60%

 Reduces write amplification – a key shortcoming of solid state storage, resulting in significantly fewer erases.

#### #3: Improves energy-efficiency by nearly 50%

- · Uses less power for same workload
- Completing I/O faster lets system sleep more

#4: Allows greater flexibility in component specification

• Smooth out performance differences between parts from different vendors, increasing purchase options

#5: Backed by experts in flash management and reliable data storage

- Industrial grade software fully tested and documented.
- Decades of flash management experience across the spectrum of embedded devices.



# Where Does FlashFXe Fit?



- Enhances Reliance Nitro to optimize random I/O on flash managed by hardware controller
  - eMMC, eUSB, eSATA, SD, SDXC, SDHC
- Integrates with lowlevel device driver
- Pre-ported to Linux/Android only at this time



### Performance with FlashFXe

**Androbench - SQLite Transactions/sec** 



### **Android Performance**



# Linux/Android File Systems

|  | Ext4   | Reliance Nitro 3.2                                   |
|--|--|--|
| Architecture   | Logging, writes are not Atomic                                       | Transactional, Atomic Writes                         |
| Tree-based<br>(faster access to large # of files)    |  | $\checkmark$   |
| Extent based<br>(faster seq I/O, less fragmentation) | $\checkmark$   | $\checkmark$   |
| ACID Compliant Reliability                           |  | $\checkmark$   |
| User Data Never Overwritten                          |  | $\checkmark$   |
| Metadata CRC Protection                              | Partial  | Complete   |
| Configurability                                      | Compile and Mount Time   | Compile, Mount and Runtime                           |
| Mount Time   | Time Increases with disk size and shutdown state – variance of 70.0% | Fast and Consistent in any situation – 0.1% variance |
| Designed for Flash Memory                            |  | Traditional and modern flash                         |
| File Level Secure Delete                             |  | $\checkmark$   |
| Support  | Community-based, self-service  | Responsive, accountable support                      |
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#### Top 5 Reasons to Choose Datalight for Engineering Services

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#### #1: Deep Expertise in Data Storage

- Knowledgeable on storage configurations for complex use cases
- Experienced in working with complex storage media such as raw flash memory, eMMC and SD, CF; specialized boot configurations

#### #2: Industrial-grade Code Quality

- Decades of commercial product shipments using well-proven quality assurance and coding standards
- Delivery options for source code or object code

#### #3: Detailed Documentation

- · Accustomed to detailed documentation of code and designs
- Certificate of Originality issued upon request

#### #4: Continuity of Experienced Talent

- Engineers steeped in data storage technology specifically for embedded devices
- Average tenure of team exceeds 8 years

#### #5: Agile, Communicative Project Management

- Thorough project definitions documented and verified with client
- Proactive communication of project status never leaves you guessing

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# Types of Available Services

- Consulting on design of optimal storage options for your unique project constraints and use cases
- Integration of Datalight products into your environment
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