TITLE
Storage for Real-Time Analytics: Breakthroughs, Challenges and the Road Ahead

ABSTRACT
Real-time analytics is a reality today, predictive analytics is around the corner and deep learning is within reach. All of which can create competitive advantage. Scale-out, high-performance storage is an essential component of such next generation analytics environments. Organizations that are seeking to differentiate through strong analytics need high performance storage at scale. Traditionally, all flash arrays have been the go-to architecture for analytics environments, and a number of exciting new options exist that are designed to scale capacity and performance limitlessly. This session will review new storage alternatives that are well suited for Internet of Things (IoT), Big Data analytics and Artificial Intelligence as well as web-scale enterprise loads, including technical demos that discuss benefits and best-fit use cases.

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