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The world's most reliable hard disk video storage system with LAID[™] and open VMS compatibility

COLDSTORE Opus 3U is used in medium to large city systems with high camera counts

COLDSTORE's mirrored recording and sequential writing pattern across the array offers extreme hard disk reliability and very low power consumption. Network attached sequential storage system designed for video

- Incorporates LAID[™] for low power and high disk reliability
- Massive 384TB maximum capacity using 24TB drives
- Immediate compatibility with future larger disks
- Only 90 watts power consumption

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- Uses any make/model of standard SATA drive
- Supports all Video Management System brands
- Reliable and proven COLDSTORE technology



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COLDSTORE Opus is a unique sequential storage system designed and developed specifically for video surveillance recording

COLDSTORE Opus 3U is ideal for projects requiring affordable high storage capacity, extended disk lifetimes, long file-retention and simple system management.

Reliability Assured

Our Linear Array of Idle Disks (LAIDTM) technology produces a powerfully simple and reliable system which provides generous video storage capacity at low cost. Whilst simple in concept, it has far-reaching beneficial effects and delivers a highly reliable storage system which dramatically extends disk lifetime, even when using the lowest-cost disks available.

Low Power, Low Cost

COLDSTORE Opus 3U is designed for larger installations, with longer retention times, providing high capacity in a 3U format, with a power consumption as low as 0.25W per TB. It's aimed at projects with typical camera counts of up to 100 channels with typical bit-rates. Dual Gigabit Ethernet ports handle all video traffic from the chosen VMS or NVR system.

Extended Disk Lifetimes

Disks are used sequentially, with all of the disks not in use being switched off, saving power and thus greatly reducing temperature, vibration and wear – the three primary disk killers.

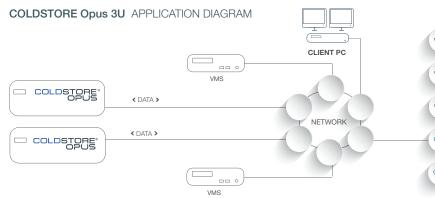
The system uses a unique mirrored overlapping-pair writing pattern to provide full data redundancy during the critical writing process. This delivers the redundancy of RAID1 on write, but unlike RAID1, does not require double the number of disks.

Within the array, the use of sequential overlapping mirrored writing pairs requires only two active disks at any one time with the others switched off. This greatly reduces wear and further reduces array vibration and operating temperature. Thus every disk is off, on average, for 87% of the time in the 16-Bay system. Disks automatically switch on for playback, but typically playback from non-writing disks is infrequent and hardly affects the average duty cycle. Hard disk lifetimes of 10 years are achievable.

Purpose-Designed System

COLDSTORE Opus 3U is built around an industry standard main-board system with a power-efficient CPU and standard disk backplanes.

Even a fully populated 384TB array will only use around 90 watts. This low power consumption extends the electronic component lifetime, which, combined with extended disk lifetimes, reduced cooling costs and lower UPS purchase cost, results in a very low overall total cost of ownership.



The VMS server writes to COLDSTORE Opus across the network. Multiple servers can write to a single COLDSTORE Opus,

or one server can write to multiple COLDSTOREs depending on VMS type. In principle, individual video streams can be



UP TO 100 IP CAMERAS PER COLDSTORE Opus 3U

routed to any COLDSTORE on the network under the control of specific types of third-party video management systems.



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Low power and high capacity make COLDSTORE Opus 3U an ideal system for long retention

Removable drives containing specific time spans enables rapid extraction of critical evidential data for law enforcement purposes.

of 30 to 180 days or more

Configuration + Management

COLDSTORE Opus 3U is simple to configure, manage and monitor through Veracity's configuration tool, SITESCAPE or via a web browser. These allow automatic device discovery, configuration of settings, analysis of disks and a basic level of diagnostics.

Simple Disk Management

COLDSTORE Opus 3U can use almost any make, model and capacity of 3.5" SATA disk drives including any mix of drives. Disks may be added "on the fly" and will automatically be incorporated into the array.

The physical location of specific time spans can be identified through SITESCAPE and disks may be extracted for archive or bulk evidential transport if the VMS supports the feature. Despite being only 3U high, this COLDSTORE Opus can provide up to 384TB of disk capacity (360TB effective) at very low power consumption. For example, 384TB is sufficient for 100 cameras at 3Mbps per camera for over 100 days.

Veracity's configuration tool SITESCAPE, combined with the COLDSTORE Opus storage system is user friendly and the hard disks are easy to manage by system integrators and end-users alike.

Open Storage System

COLDSTORE Opus is a new system design which supports all brands of Video Management System, allowing customers to use their favoured or existing VMS while taking advantage of all the COLDSTORE benefits for video storage.

Other COLDSTORE Models

Veracity provides COLDSTOREs in 2U, 3U and 4U formats with a wide range of disk capacities and capabilities.

The 2U models have 8 bays with 192TB and the 4U models can have over 1PB of disk capacity.

Veracity also offers embedded NVR options for all types of COLDSTORE, combining the NVR recording process with the video storage system in a single unit, scalable to handle large numbers of cameras.

Veracity also offers the LINKLOCK range of very highly cyber-secure embedded-recording systems designed for critical national infrastructure applications, including single-camera and mobile devices. See our website for further information.



Rear view (above) showing the dual gigabit Ethernet ports, dual hot-swap power supplies and mirrored hot-swap solid state OS disks.



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

COLDSTORE OPUS® 3U

GENERAL Storage Array Type Drive Bays Interface Data Throughput				Networked attached sequential array running LAID™ writing pattern 16 x 3.5" (lockable drive bays included) Dual Gigabit Ethernet Third-party VMS dependent (unlimited scalability with multiple COLDSTOREs)										
SYSTEM O.S. Time Synchronisation System Integration Configuration Management Compatibility				Linux OS on mirrored solid state disks Via NTP (recommended) Direct from third-party client application Over LAN via Veracity's SITESCAPE application or web browser Over LAN via Veracity's SITESCAPE application or web browser Compatible with all third-party VMS systems supporting external storage										
CAPACITY Disk Capacity Array Capacity				SATA disks of any capacity and almost all makes and models are supported COLDSTORE supports 24TB disks and has forward compatibility for future larger disks. (Check www.veracityglobal.com for up-to-date disk capacities) Maximum array capacity is currently - 384TB (with current max available 24TB disks) Effective capacity in normal operation - Mirrored Overlapping-Pair - 360TB										
POWER Power Supply Type Power Supply Rating Power Consumption				Dual redundant hot-swappable PSU 110-240V AC Input (Auto sensing) 90 watts typical maximum (PSU rated at dual 550W)										
PHYSICAL/ENVIRONMENTAL Dimensions Weight Operating Temperature Relative Humidity Compliance				19" rack width, 3U high, 627mm deep (W 443mm x D 627mm x H 132mm) 23.2kg (51.1lbs) including mounting rails but without disks 5°C to 40°C (41°F to 104°F) Up to 85%, non-condensing CE, FCC, UKCA, RoHS, BIS										
PRODUCT CODES CSTORE16-3U-OP-UK CSTORE16-3U-OP-EU CSTORE16-3U-OP-US					COLDSTORE Opus 3U, storage array, with mounting rails and UK power cables COLDSTORE Opus 3U, storage array, with mounting rails and EU power cables COLDSTORE Opus 3U, storage array, with mounting rails and US power cables									
Disk Size	TB	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24		
Raw Capacity	TB	64	96	128	160	192	224	256	288	320	352	384		
Effective Capacity	ТВ	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	300	330	360		
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