SOLUTION BRIEF

The Aerospike® Real-time Data Platform

Realizing the dream of real-time in the big data era

Overview

The Aerospike Real-time Data Platform is a shared-nothing, multithreaded, multimodal data platform designed to operate efficiently on a cluster of server nodes, exploiting modern hardware and network technologies to drive reliably fast performance at sub-millisecond speeds across petabytes of data.

The Aerospike Real-time Data Platform enables organizations to act in real time across billions of transactions using massive parallelism and a hybrid memory model to ensure the smallest possible server footprint. It ingests and acts on streaming data at the edge and can combine edge data with data from systems of record, third party sources, data warehouses, or data lakes for operational, transactional, or analytical workloads - all in real time.

Highlights

- Predictable real-time performance at petabyte scale
- Cluster node reduction up to 80%
- No-code integrations with Spark, Kafka, Presto/Trino, Pulsar, JMS
- Fault and disaster tolerant
- Multi-site, multi-cloud clustering and data replication
- Real-time transactions with strong consistency for maximum accuracy

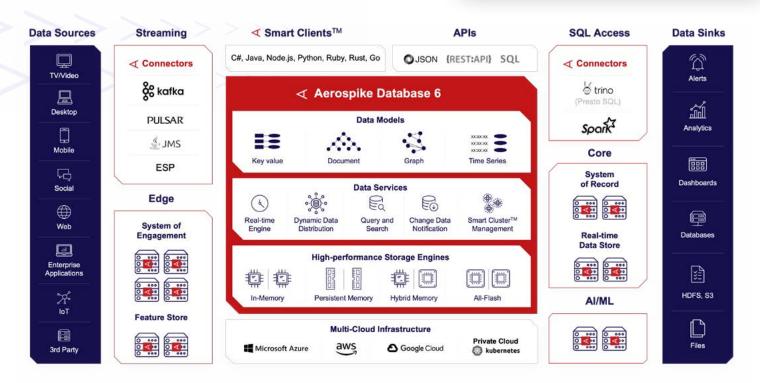


Figure 1: The Aerospike Real-time Data Platform architecture

Aerospike Database 6 - real-time data engine

Aerospike Database 6 is the engine that drives the Aerospike Real-time Data Platform. It is responsible for all of the core cluster management and data services of the platform and is now a true multi-model database. It supports key-value and document database functions as well as graph database and time-series capabilities.

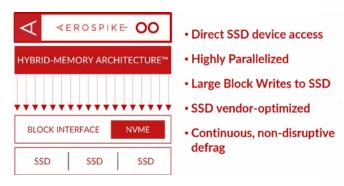


Figure 2: Aerospike exploits SSDs in ways other systems don't

Node reduction by up to 80 percent

In-memory DRAM can only store a fraction of the hot data that Aerospike Hybrid Memory Architecture™ SSDs store per node. Figure 3 illustrates this node reduction. It compares an in-memory system using AWS Memory Optimized instance nodes versus an Aerospike HMA system using Storage Optimized instances. The critical difference is in the addressable space: In-memory only has 122 GiB/node, whereas Storage Optimized nodes have 3.2 terabytes of addressable space per node - a whopping difference.

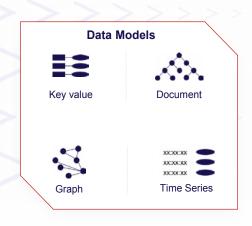


Figure 4: Aerospike Data Model Implementations

Real-time performance with tiered storage

Aerospike has a patented Hybrid Memory ArchitectureTM (HMA), which places data on solid-state drives (SSDs) and indexes in DRAM. Aerospike treats SSDs as raw devices, writing data in large blocks using a highly efficient custom file format that avoids wear-leveling issues common with other providers. Net-net: you can get the performance of DRAM for the price and reliability of SSDs. How was Aerospike able to do this? Simply put, Aerospike is software that was written in C to natively talk to hardware, not an API layer. Aerospike treats SSDs as a large parallel memory space, not a file system.



Figure 3: Node reduction up to 80% using HMA vs. In-memory

Multi-model data operations

Aerospike Database 6 is the first expansion of our flagship NoSQL database beyond its initial key-value data model to include full document database capabilities including both document storage, indexing and query. Key-value data operations are native and document database capabilities are new in Aerospike Dabase 6. Graph database capabilities and time series database capabilities are deployed today in customer production environments and will be integrated services of the product in upcoming releases.

Modern Distributed Data Services

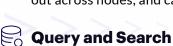
The data services of the Aerospike Real-time Data Platform are the internal processes of the Aerospike Database 6 that enable global operations, enterprise grade availability, sub-millisecond performance, and from gigabyte to terabyte scale.



Figure 5: Aerospike Data Operations and Services

Real-time Engine

Aerospike's real-time engine delivers the maximum performance possible and can scale to millions of transactions per second at sub-millisecond latency. Aerospike's real-time engine can seamlessly scale out across nodes, and can scale up on one node.



Aerospike utilizes technologies such as set indexes, secondary indexes and Aerospike Expressions to power real-time query performance on data at the edge, in a System of Record, and across data centers and clouds. Massively parallel secondary indexes enable complex querying and SQL queries. Aerospike Expressions enable highly efficient value-based searches closer to the data.

Dynamic Data Distribution

Aerospike provides dynamic data distribution via its shared-nothing cluster architecture, where all nodes are peers and there is no single point of failure. Using the Aerospike Smart Partitions™, data is distributed evenly across all nodes in the cluster for maximum performance and scale.



Change Data Notification

Aerospike's Change Notification feature enables outside databases and message queues to be updated in parallel with writes from database clients. This is a key usability feature when Aerospike is used as the database of record.



Smart Cluster Management

Aerospike's dynamic cluster management handles node membership, network fault detection, and ensures a single consistent view of current cluster members.

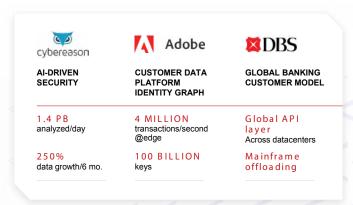


Figure 6: Some Aerospike customer milestones



Figure 7: Aerospike Real-time Data Platform benefits at a glance

Aerospike Connect

No-code integrations with your data stack

Aerospike has created a series of connector products that provide tight integration with important components of a real-time data stack. Aerospike Connect products provide a direct and easy way to create real-time data pipelines with Spark, Kafka, Pulsar and more. These integrations require no special coding by developers and provide seamless SQL access and massively parallel data ingest for maximum throughput.

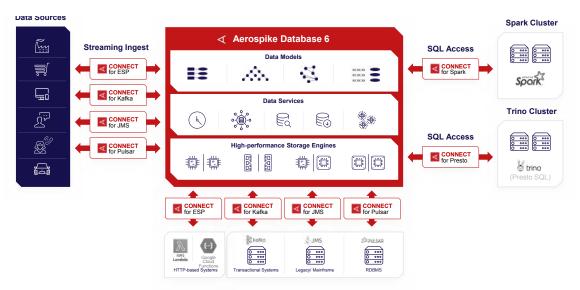


Figure 8: Aerospike Connect no-code integrations for streaming and SQL access

